

It is understood that the Executive of the Ladies' Association will be present at this session of Grand Lodge, and will ask for the formation of a Grand Lodge with full powers to carry on their own work subject to the approbation and approval of this Grand Lodge.

#### ROYAL SCARLET DISPENSATIONS.

Eight Royal Scarlet Dispensations for the formation of Chapters have also been issued to the following places: County of Cape Breton, N.S.; Districts of No. 1, North Hastings; East Gwillimbury; Vaughan, and West Nipissing; and to three Isolated Lodges, No. 1093, Fort William; No. 1608, Regina, and No. 1617, Prince Albert, N.W.T.

#### INCORPORATION WARRANTS.

Forty-five Primary Lodges have been incorporated under our Act of 1890, as follows: Nos. 51, 74, 118, 131, 146, 206, 271, 300, 319, 337, 357, 392, 429, 435, 442, 522, 532, 538, 541, 569, 612, 632, 636, 653, 663, 747, 766, 775, 782, 800, 806, 845, 848, 852, 966, 1045, 1055, 1061, 1126, 1182, 1229, 1230, 1248, 1546, 1588; also the following District Lodges, Hullett, North Toronto, Nipissing, Crapaud, Portland and Vernon. Total 51.

Perhaps no better evidence could be given of the extensive operations of our Association and the vigor with which the work is being prosecuted throughout our jurisdiction than in the above immense list of Warrants issued during the past year, notwithstanding the fact the ground was considered almost fully occupied, so that scarcely a town, village or hamlet in the country had not an Orange Lodge in good working order.

#### CORRESPONDENCE.

The correspondence for the year just past has been large and more than double in volume that of former years. It has, however, been of a very pleasant and satisfactory character; and the very limited number of appeals that have been entered against the various decisions, must be regarded as evidence that the Association is at peace within its borders, and that good fellowship and a desire to live and act up to the Constitution appears to exist throughout our entire membership.

#### THE TRIENNIAL COUNCIL.

There are now twenty-five Grand Lodges working under the jurisdiction of the Triennial Council, and from nearly all these Lodges, recent annual reports have been received, a careful perusal of which elicits the fact that the Orange Association has included under its banner a vast army of men who are faithfully and nobly working for the relief of the sick and distressed, caring for the fatherless and widow, and standing forward for the principles of our Protestant faith.

#### PERSONAL VISITATION.

With the consent and approval of the M.W. the Grand Master, I personally visited the Provincial Grand Orange Lodge of Quebec, at its

annual meeting held at the place on that date; over on deliberate and work out plan the Province of Quebec. An sion, and one which I had th the organization of new Loc system of visitation by the C districts. The brethren of desire to maintain the hands Primary Lodges, and a well Lodge, which, if brought in marked effect in the history of

The following day I visit Ontario East, at their Annus of the largest gatherings tha prosperous Grand Lodge. T of this Grand Lodge were al Great regret was expressed able Secretary of Ontario Eas since passed away to his reu sion of good-will to all the who had the pleasure of atte Ontario East, as well as of t Grand Secretary for many ye

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By special permission of quest of the officers of the C had the honor and privilege their Grand Lodge, held in Minnesota. I was surprised delegates and visiting brethren and careful manner in which ducted. The Orange Assoc battling for existence, app crucial stage, and if the br principles on which the As for it among the many milli us. It will be gratifying to that without a dissentient v prepared by the Grand Cou selves that at least the two uniform. I have personally of the United States for the and I must congratulate the elected—brethren of known at the helm.