The Supreme Council of Peru has kindly elected me an Honorary Member of that Body, sending me credentials, an honor I appreciate as a compliment offered to our own Body through its Grand Commander.

In all Proceedings received kind mention is made of Canada.

It affords me pleasure to state that the Supreme Council for England and Wales, &c., is reported to have notified Switzerland that its representatives will attend no further Congress of the A. & A. S. Rite unless the Name of God is fully recognized, together with the doctrine of the Immortality of the Soul. By all Supreme Councils of the Rite may the door that has been attempted to be opened for the admittance of Atheism and Infidelity into Freemasonry be in like manner closed for all time!

My Ill.: Brethren will bear in mind that the Triennial Election of officers and Deputies of the Supreme Council takes place at this session. I may state here that Ill.: Brother Murton desires to be relieved from the office of Deputy of Ontario, as helfinds his time to be very fully occupied in fulfilling his important duties as Secretary-General, of the correctness of which fact I have no doubt.

You will have to consider the notice of motion given at our last assembly, by Ill.. Brother Ellis, in relation to a change of the future times and places of meeting of the Supreme Council. This requires careful attention, causing, as it will if adopted, a vital change in our Constitution.

The subject of Change of Titles, and of a proposed Confession of Faith, (introduced by Ill... Brother PIKE for use in the 32°) was referred to the "Committee of Ritual" to report upon at this session (Proceedings 1879, page 21), and the Deputies of Ontario and Quebec have to report at this session upon the propriety of adding part of the Jurisdiction of Ontario to that of Quebec. (Proceedings 1879, page 21.)

I have granted Dispensations during the past year, as follows:

- 1. To the Consistory of New Brunswick, giving power to confer the Degrees 19° to 32° inclusive, waiving the statutory time, on Bro.: SIR HARRY PAUL BURRARD, 18°, he being about to leave on a prolonged tour in Europe.
- 2. To the Consistory at Hamilton, to confer Degrees 19° to 32° inclusive, on certain approved Brethren, residents of Manitoba, waiving the statutory time, and taking advantage of a visit to Winnipeg by Ill.. Brother PIKE, as I have already reported.
- 3. To Ill.. Brother Lawson, 33°, of Washington Territory, U. S. A. to confer Degrees 4° to 18° on certain approved Brethren, residing in British Columbia, waiving the statutory time, and also to establish, in that Province, a Lodge of Perfection and a Chapter of Rose Croix, as reported already to the Supreme Council.

I have signed Warrants for Manitoba and British Columbia, which will, I trust, be satisfactory to you.

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