

*Resolved*.—That the M. W. the Grand Master be and is hereby earnestly requested and authorised, either by personal interview or by the appointment of a delegate to the Grand Lodge of England, to endeavor to secure a speedy and amicable solution of all pending difficulties between the two Grand Lodges, and that the M. W. the Grand Master do report the result of this mission.

The motion was carried.

#### INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

The following officers elect of this Grand Lodge were duly presented to the M. W. the Grand Master, and by him formally installed, viz.:

R. W. Bro. C. Judge, R. W. Dep. Grand Master.

“ “ “ Arthur F. Simpson, R. W. Grand Senior Warden.

“ “ “ C. C. Church, M.D., “ “ “ Junior “

“ “ “ Rev. John Scrimger, “ “ “ Chaplain.

“ “ “ E. E. Spencer, “ “ “ Registrar.

“ “ “ I. H. Stearns, per proxy, R. W. Grand Treasurer.

R. W. Bros. J. B. Charleson and Cushman were presented to the M. W. the Grand Master, and were obligated, invested, and installed as Dis. Dep. Grand Masters.

The Board of General Purposes made the following report:

The Board to whom has been referred the annual reports of the several District Deputy Grand Masters of the Province, and the R. W. the Grand Secretary's report for the past year, beg respectfully and fraternally to submit:

That the state of Masonry, as exhibited by these reports, is satisfactory in the main. The returns, made to the Grand Secretary indicate a healthy condition of the Craft. Prosperity, though the increase in our members is slight, is apparent in every quarter.

The Board recommend that the Grand Secretary be sustained in his efforts to facilitate the transaction of the business of Grand Lodge, by summoning the Board of General Purposes together two days instead of one in advance of the session of Grand Lodge. The hurried manner in which the labors of the Board and of Grand Lodge have oftentimes been transacted heretofore had, to many brethren, seeming haste.

The Board learn with deep regret that foreign Grand Bodies have not yet withdrawn their authority to a Masonic jurisdiction in this Province; but, on the contrary, that they still persist in exercising it herein—most notably so, and in extending it also, the sister Grand Lodge of Scotland, by establishing two new Lodges in the Province the past year. It became as, therefore, in the assertion of our claimed and all but universally acknowledged right to supreme Masonic jurisdiction of the Province, to request that the sister Grand Lodge of the world, having intimate fraternal relations with us, cease henceforward from fraternal intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Scotland, until such time as she acknowledges our

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