

a detailed statement of the monies of the Preceptory received and expended by him during such period, and produce and hand over all papers and property belonging to the Preceptory in his possession.

The irregularities of Frater Moore, in procuring from the Supreme Grand Master the Dispensation for holding the meeting for the election of the then officers of the Preceptory, and in connection with the holding of the meeting, were such that I thought the interests of the Preceptory required that a new election should be held, and having appointed Frater George Gale, Registrar, *pro-tem* I directed him to issue notices for a meeting for the 20th November, for the election of officers.

The Supreme Grand Master was pleased to approve of the action I had taken in the matter.

I attended the meeting on the 20th November, at which new officers were elected, and at which the Supreme Grand Master was again present.

Frater John Moore was again present; but had neglected to write up the minutes of past meetings, or to make out a statement of the monies received and expended by him, and did not hand over the papers and property belonging to the Preceptory in his possession; and has ever since neglected and refused to do so, although applied to frequently by the present Registrar, R. E. Frater Chatfield.

The Supreme Grand Master notified the Preceptory that he had suspended Frater John Moore in consequence of un-masonic conduct, and of improper dealings with the property of the late R. E. Sir Knight T. D. Harington.

Had not the Supreme Grand Master taken the action he did in suspending Frater Moore, and which I consider more than justified by his conduct in connection with the affairs of the late R. E. Sir Knight Harington, I should have felt it my duty to recommend to Great Priory his suspension, at least, in consequence of his dealings with the affairs of Gondemar Preceptory.

I recommended that the place of meeting of Gondemar Preceptory be changed from Maitland to Brockville, and a resolution was passed by the Preceptory to that effect. I attended another meeting of this Preceptory on the 2nd July last at Brockville, and am glad to say that the affairs of the Preceptory are now in a most flourishing condition. One new member was admitted, and five applications for membership were received at this meeting. The Preceptory has now a bright prospect before it, and I shall retire from the position of Provincial Prior with a feeling of satisfaction that I have been instrumental, in some degree, in putting the affairs of Gondemar Preceptory in so satisfactory a condition.