

action taken will meet your approval, and that additional means will be taken at this session to still further extend the circulation of *The Sentinel*, which in the past has been so fearless and outspoken in the cause of Protestantism.

Your Secretary and Treasurer have been most constant and unremitting in the discharge of the duties of their respective offices, and I desire to express to them my sincere thanks for their assistance on all occasions when required, and to convey to you my appreciation of the debt of gratitude due to them from this R. W. G. L. for their efforts in promoting its interests and advancing it to its present prosperous condition.

I am sure you will all join heartily with me in congratulating our esteemed Grand Treasurer, Right Worshipful Brother E. F. Clarke, on his great victory at the Municipal Elections in January last, when elected Chief Magistrate of the Queen City of the Province. May he be long spared to fill and adorn the many positions of honor and trust in which his fellow citizens have seen fit to place him.

It gives me great pleasure to meet with you in this magnificent Orange Hall in the Queen City of Ontario, and the banner Orange City of America. Trust this meeting will have the effect of further stimulating the brethren to greater exertions in the Orange cause.

I trust your deliberations will be conducted in a spirit of candor and moderation, and that they may be conducive to the welfare of the Order and the best interests of our common country.

W. W. FITZGERALD,

Grand Master.

Moved by Bro. W. H. Stewart, C.M., East Lambton, seconded by Bro. E. Morton, W.M. 286, and

Resolved—That the Grand Master's address be referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY.

To the Right Worshipful the Provincial Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Orange Lodge of Ontario West :

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN,—In accordance with constitutional practice, I have great pleasure in presenting my fourth annual report, as your Grand Secretary, and in transmitting to you in a brief form the work transacted during the past year.

OBITUARY.

The members of the Association have been called to mourn the loss by death of some of our most active workers, although, so far as I am able to judge, the death roll has not exceeded that of past years.

Bro. Alex. Edgar, District Master of Innisfil, who was present with us and took part in our deliberations last year and on previous occasions, was suddenly called away shortly after our meeting last year.

Most Worshipful Bro. John Flanigan, of Kingston, at one time Grand Master of British America, has also passed to his reward.