

John Holland, the reading of the minutes was postponed.

On motion of P. G. Dunkin, seconded by P. G. Dyde, the order of business was suspended to admit of certain resolutions being offered.

Moved by P. G. C. Dunkin, seconded by P. G. John Dyde, That this Grand Lodge, when it adjourns, do stand adjourned to 7 o'clock P. M. on Tuesday the 18th instant. —Carried.

On motion of P. G. Dunkin, seconded by P. G. John Dyde, it was resolved, That it be an instruction to the several standing committees of this Grand Lodge, that they take cognizance pending such adjournment, of all communications and matters bearing upon their respective duties, and be prepared to report thereon fully to this Grand Lodge, by Resolution or otherwise, as they may deem expedient at such adjourned meeting.

On motion of P. G. Dunkin, seconded by P. G. Dyde, it was resolved, That it be a further instruction to the Finance Committee, to report fully, at such adjourned meeting, upon the past fiscal transactions of this Grand Lodge, the present condition of its finances, and the question of the possibility of reducing the ten per cent. charge on the funds of the Subordinate Lodges, or otherwise advantageously modifying the financial system of this Grand Lodge.

On motion of P. G. Dunkin, seconded by P. G. Dyde, it was resolved, That it be an instruction to the Grand Secretary and to all other officers and past officers of this Grand Lodge whom such instruction may affect, that they afford to the said several committees, every facility to this end, by referring to them all required documents, and offering every needful explanation of the same.

On motion of P. G. Dunkin, seconded by P. G. Dyde, it was resolved, That it be a further special instruction to the Grand Secretary, that at the said adjourned meeting, he should lay before this Grand Lodge a succinct written statement of all unfinished business requiring the action of this Grand Lodge, arranged in the order in which the same should come up for discussion, according to the rules and orders of this Grand Lodge.

The M. W. Grand Master announced the appointment of the following standing Committees:—On Elections and Returns: D. G. M. Hardie, P. G.'s Hilton and Renaud. On Finance: P. G.'s Seymour, Holton and Dunkin. On Correspondence: P. G.'s Holland, Whitney and Renaud. On Supervision of Laws of Subordinates: P. G.'s Dunkin, Holland and Irvine. On Grievances: P. G.'s Montizambert, McKay, DeBleury, Dyde, Chase, Holton, Sherwood and Sheppard.

On motion of P. G. Dunkin, seconded by P. G. M. Rodden, it was resolved that the Special Committee heretofore named to consider the subject of the division of the Province into Districts, be discharged from the further consideration thereof; and that the same be referred to the Committee of Supervision of Laws of Subordinates, with instructions to report thereon with all convenient despatch.

On motion of P. G. Dunkin, seconded by P. G. M. Rodden, it was resolved, That the Resolution of this R. W. G. Lodge, of the 11th May last, on the subject of Duelling be rescinded.

Moved by P. G. M. Rodden, seconded by P. G. Holland, That the different Lodges under this jurisdiction, be recommended to adopt such Bye-Laws as will be likely to prevent duelling among members of said Lodges, and cut off members from their right to Benefits, in case of suffering from any engagement therein.

Moved in amendment by P. G. Dunkin, seconded by P. G. H. H. Whitney, That all the words after "that" be struck out, and the following substituted: "that in rescinding the said Resolution, this R. W. Grand Lodge takes occasion to record its entire and unqualified condemnation of the practice of duelling, as inconsistent with the principles of our beloved Order."

The question having been put on the amendment, it was carried. The question then recurred upon the original motion as amended. The yeas and nays being called for, appeared as follows:—

Yeas—P. G.'s J. Hardie, Wm. Hilton, John Holland, H. H. Whitney, J. Cushing, J. Dyde, C. Dunkin, J. C. Chase, Sherwood, and Sheppard.—10.

Nays—P. G. M. Rodden.—1.

So the motion was carried.

Moved by P. G. M. Rodden, seconded by P. G. Chase, That the Subordinate Lodges under this jurisdiction be

furnished with a copy of the foregoing Resolution on the subject of duelling, and be recommended to take such action on the subject as will tend to discountenance the practice among the members of said Lodges.

Moved by D. G. M. Thomas Hardie, seconded by P. G. Dunkin, That the motion lie on the table.

The vote being called for by representation of Lodges, the question was taken and decided as follows:—

Ayes—From No. 1.—P. G.'s Hardie and Hilton. From No. 2.—P. G. Whitney. From No. 5.—P. G.'s Dyde, Cushing and Dunkin. From No. 9.—P. G. Sherwood. From No. 19.—P. G. Sheppard.

Nays—From No. 1.—P. G. Holland. From No. 5.—P. G. Rodden. From No. 7.—P. G. Chase.

Lodges voting in the affirmative—Prince of Wales, Queen's, Commercial, Brook, Mercantile.

Lodges voting in the negative—Oriental.

The motion was therefore carried.

Moved by P. G. M. Rodden, seconded by P. G. Hilton, and resolved, That a Committee of three Past Grands, not officers of Victoria Degree Lodge No. 1, be appointed to examine the books and papers of that body, and report thereon at the next meeting.

The chair named as the committee, P. G.'s Hilton, Whitney and Hardie.

The Grand Master made the following appointments with the approval of this R. W. Grand Lodge:—P. G. Chase to be Deputy District Grand Master for the District of St. Francis. P. G. Peter Sheppard, to be Deputy District Grand Master for the District of Quebec.

On motion of P. G. Holland, seconded by P. G. Whitney, the Grand Lodge adjourned to Tuesday the 18th August, at eight o'clock.

J. CUSHING, *Grand Secretary.*

Montreal, 18th August, 1846.

The R. W. Grand Lodge assembled pursuant to adjournment.

Present—M. W. Grand Master, (presiding,) R. W. D. Grand Master, R. W. Grand Secretary, W. G. Conductor.

Also present—P. G. McGoun, Prince of Wales' Lodge, No. 1; P. G.'s H. H. Whitney, Robt. Cooke, and DeBleury, Queen's Lodge, No. 2; P. G. M. Rodden, P. G. Dyde, Commercial Lodge, No. 5.

Roll called.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and found correct.

On motion of P. G. M. Rodden, seconded by P. G. DeBleury, the order of proceedings was suspended to allow the Grand Master to make his appointments, and to proceed to the ceremony of installation.

The Grand Master appointed the following Officers, with the consent and approval of the Grand Lodge:—

P. G. John Dyde, of Commercial Lodge, No. 5,—W. G. Marshall.

P. G. Robert Cooke, of Prince of Wales' Lodge, No. 1,—W. G. Guardian.

The Grand Lodge then installed P. G. C. S. DeBleury, Grand Treasurer; P. G. John Dyde, Grand Marshall; P. G. Robert Cook, Grand Guardian, into their respective offices.

On motion of P. G. M. Rodden, seconded by P. G. John Dyde, it was resolved, That the several Standing Committees of this Grand Lodge be notified to meet in this Hall on the evening of Wednesday the 19th, and Thursday the 20th instant, at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of attending to their respective duties, and the examination of such communications and matters, as may have been, or shall then be, submitted to them.

On motion of the same, seconded by the same, the Grand Lodge adjourned to 7½ o'clock, P. M., on Friday, the 21st instant.

J. CUSHING, *Grand Secretary.*

Montreal, August 21, 1846.

The R. W. Grand Lodge assembled this evening pursuant to adjournment.

Present—M. W. Grand Master, (presiding,) R. W. D. Grand Master, R. W. Grand Secretary, R. W. Grand Treasurer, R. W. Grand Representative.

Also present—P. G. H. Hilton, Prince of Wales' Lodge, No. 1; P. G. Seymour, Queen's Lodge, No. 2; P. G. Dunkin, Commercial Lodge, No. 5; P. G. Gilbert, Canada Lodge, No. 8; D. D. Grand Sire Sewell.

Roll called.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and approved.

On motion of the R. W. Grand Representative, seconded