

Kts. † S. B. Harman, Grand Sub-Prior; † H. Robertson, Past Provincial Prior; † Geo. H. Dartnell, Provincial Prior; † D. McLellan, Grand Treasurer; † Robert Marshal, Provincial Prior, New Brunswick; Rev. Vincent Clementi, B.A., Grand Prelate; and Eminent Sir Kt. James Moffatt, Grand Vice-Chancellor, and Edson Kemp, expressing their regret that unavoidable circumstances prevented their attending at the Annual Assembly.

V. E. † Sir Kts. John V. Ellis, Past Eminent Commander St. John's Encampment of St. John, New Brunswick, Registry of Chapter General of Scotland, and George O. Tyler, Grand Treasurer of the Grand Commandery of Vermont, United States, were then duly announced as being in attendance. The Great Prior directed them to be admitted, when they were received and cordially welcomed to seats in Great Priory.

The Grand Chancellor commenced reading the recorded Minutes of the Proceedings at the last Annual Assembly, when it was

Moved by V. Eminent Sir Knight † W. B. Simpson, seconded by V. Eminent Sir Knight † I. H. Stearns and

Resolved—That inasmuch as the Proceedings of Great Priory, at its Annual Assembly, held in the City of Montreal, on the 11th day of October, 1878, have been printed, and copies thereof forwarded to each Preceptory, the same may be considered as read, and be now confirmed.

Very High and Eminent Sir Knight The Great Prior then read the following

ADDRESS:

FRATRES,—I feel that it is incumbent on me at once to enter into a subject which involves the future prosperity of the Templar Order in Canada, viz: The independent position of the "National Great Priory," and to set at rest the surmises and doubts prevalent about