

tinently remarks: "It seems impossible to resist the conclusion that when the Law is to be interpreted, the limitations laid down by the authorities that enacted it must be accepted as part of the Law." This, however, is just what the supporters of this law of Exclusive Jurisdiction decline to do. They take the law, put their own interpretation upon it—ignoring all other interpretations—and christening it a Landmark call upon all other Grand Lodges to accept it or reject it at their peril. This, or something very much to the same effect, is what we have said in former articles on the subject, and this is what it will be our duty to repeat in any further discussion that may arise. There is, however, just one remark which it may be convenient to add. No agreement will ever be possible between the advocates and opponents of this supposed law of Exclusive Jurisdiction until the former are prepared to allow that a Masonic doctrine which is taught almost exclusively in America is not on precisely the same level as a doctrine that is accepted universally by the whole body of Masons. When this point has been conceded, the greatest difficulty in the way of an exact definition of the law will have been overcome.—*The Freemason (London)*.

#### DEDICATION OF THE TEMPLE.

##### A RED LETTER DAY FOR MONTREAL MASONS.

Thanksgiving Day, 1895, will long be remembered as a red letter day in the history of Freemasonry in the Province of Quebec. That evening the new Masonic Temple on Dorchester Street was solemnly dedicated and consecrated in due and ancient form to the uses of the Order by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, assisted by his Grand Lodge officers, and as such a ceremony had not been performed in the city of Montreal for twenty-six years—the Masonic Hall on Place d'Armes Square having been

dedicated on that occasion—it naturally drew together a large and representative gathering of the ancient and honorable fraternity. The interest in the proceedings was also enhanced by the fact that M.W. Bro. William R. White, Q.C., of Pembroke, Ont., Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, was present.

Precisely at eight o'clock R.W. Bro. John Smillie, D.D.G.M., opened the meeting of the District Lodge with the following Officers: R.W. Bro. Alex. Murray, I.P.M.; V.W. Bro. W. Simpson Walker, S.W.; R.W. Bro. the Rev. E. Friedlander, J.W.; W. Bro. Charles R. Willis, S.D.; W. Bro. F. Upton, J.D.; V.W. Bro. H. Trepannier, I.G.; Bro. G. C. Bown, Treasurer; W. Bro. W. T. Anderson, D. of C.; V.W. Bro. W. N. King, W. Bro. W. Seale, and Bro. John Green, Stewards; Bro. J. Laurance, Tyler. Shortly afterwards M.W. Bro. Fred Massey, Grand Master, was announced, and upon entering the District Lodge he was received with grand honors. The Grand Master was accompanied by M.W. Bros. John P. Noyes, Frank Edgar, T. P. Butler, and Acting Chief Justice, M. M. Tait, P.G. Master; R.W. Bro. H. E. Channell, Deputy Grand Master; M.W. Bro. I. H. Stearns, Grand Treasurer; M.W. Bro. J. H. Isaacson, Grand Secretary; R.W. Bro. J. B. Tressider, Acting Grand Senior Warden; R.W. Bro. David Seath, Acting Grand Junior Warden; R.W. Bro. the Rev. R. Hewton, Grand Chaplain; V.W. Bro. Geo. O. Stanton, G.S.D.; R.W. Bro. H. Dunne, Acting G.J.D.; V.W. Bro. E. W. Wilson, G.D. of C.; V.W. Bros. C. J. Williams and J. McBeth Taylor, Grand Stewards; V.W. Bro. W. Campbell, Grand Pursuivant; R.W. Bros. James Fyfe, I. B. Futvoye and John McLean, Light Bearers, R.W. Bros. S. P. Frauchot, W. M. LeMessurier, P. A. Crosby and W. Bro. W. Paterson, Bearers of the Ark; W. Bro. David Ferguson, Bearer of the Law.

The Grand Master then proceeded, according to ancient custom, and in the name of the Supreme and Eternal