

2nd. A brother cannot be advanced to the several degrees in Royal Arch Masonry without being a Master Mason three months.

FINANCES.

The annual statements, showing the receipts and expenditures, together with the amounts already invested, will be laid before you, which, if necessary and ample, will then enable the committee appointed at the last convocation to organize a scheme of benevolence such as will, I am sure, meet with your approval.

GRAND SCRIBE E.

I am unwilling to close my annual Report without testifying to the skill and watchfulness with which the Grand Scribe has conducted the business of his important office, and must congratulate Grand Chapter on having such an efficient and painstaking officer.

CONCLUSION.

And now, my dear companions, I resign the trust you reposed in me a year ago into your hands, hoping that my humble efforts in the discharge of my duties have not been in vain. I am unwilling to close my address without testifying to the urbanity with which I have been met by all of the companions with whom I have had the pleasure of meeting or transacting business during the Masonic year, and believe me when I say that I shall always look back with feelings of the greatest pleasure to the time when I was deemed worthy to occupy the exalted position of Grand Z of Canada.

DONALD ROSS, G. Z.

The usual reports from Grand Officers were read and adopted.

The thanks of the Grand Chapter were ordered, on motion of R. E. Companion Mason, of Hamilton, to be conveyed to the G. C. of Rhode Island, for a bound copy of their proceedings.

The following notices of motion were given:—

By R. E. Comp. Mason, of Hamilton,—That the yearly return of Chapters be made up to the 31st May of each year.

By R. E. Comp. Lockie, of Berlin.—That honorary members have the same privileges as representatives of chapters in Grand Chapters.

The Grand Chapter meets at Ottawa on the second Friday of July, 1883.

The following is a complete list of the elected and appointed officers of the Grand Chapter of Canada, for 1882-3:

Elected Officers.

M. E. Comp. Donald Ross, Picton, re-elected, Grand Z.

R. E. Comp. Henry Macpherson, Owen Sound, re-elected, Grand H.

R. E. Comp. Thomas Sargent, Toronto, re-elected, Grand J.

R. E. Comp. David McLellan, Hamilton, re-elected, Grand Scribe E.

R. E. Comp. George Hodgetts, Toronto, Grand Scribe N.

R. E. Comp. R. B. Hungerford, London, Grand Principal Sojourner.

R. E. Comp. Edward Mitchell, Hamilton, re-elected Grand Treasurer.

R. E. Comp. John Creasor, Owen Sound, Grand Registrar.

R. E. Comp. John Sweetman, Ottawa, Grand Janitor

Grand Superintendents of Districts.

R. E. Comp. Robert Mackay, St. Thomas, Grand Supt. London District.

R. E. Comp. C. H. Slawson, Ingersoll, Grand Supt. Wilson District.

R. E. Comp. James Lockie, Berlin, Grand Supt. Wellington District.

R. E. Comp. Wm. Gibson, Grimsby, Grand Supt. Hamilton District.

R. E. Comp. George J. Waugh, Stratford, Grand Supt. Huron District.

R. E. Comp. C. E. S. Black, Dunnville, Grand Supt. Niagara District.

R. E. Comp. C. Brown, Toronto, Grand Supt. Toronto District.

R. E. Comp. Charles Doeblor, Port Hope, re-elected, Grand Supt. Ontario District.

R. E. Comp. J. H. Murney, Picton, Grand Supt. P. Edward District.

R. E. Comp. G. M. Wilkinson, Kingston, Grand Supt. Central District.

R. E. Comp. Henry Duffell, St. John, N. B. Grand Supt. New Brunswick District.

R. E. Comp. William G. Scott, Winnipeg, Grand Supt. Manitoba District.

Appointed Officers.

V. E. Comp. William G. Reid, Hamilton, Grand 1st Assistant Sojourner.

V. E. Comp. C. A. Bosanko, Barrie, Grand 2nd Assistant Sojourner.

V. E. Comp. J. B. Traves, Port Hope, Grand Sword Bearer.

V. E. Comp. W. T. Bray, Wingham, Grand Master of Veils.

V. E. Comp. J. H. Widdifield, Newmarket, Grand Standard Bearer.

V. E. Comp. L. S. Oille, St. Catharines, Grand Director of Ceremonies.

V. E. Comp. John Scoon, Guelph, Grand Organist.

V. E. Comp. Alex. Irvine, Harriston, Grand Pursuivant.

V. E. Comp. D. McPhail, London, Grand Steward.

V. E. Comp. Henry Cooke, Goderich, Grand Steward.

V. E. Comp. B. R. Stevenson, St. Andrew, N. B., Grand Steward.

V. E. Comp. J. M. Clement, Niagara, Grand Steward.

Executive Committee—Elected Members.

R. E. Comp. Henry Robertson, Collingwood.

R. E. Comp. William Forbes, Grimsby.

R. E. Comp. J. J. Mason, Hamilton.

R. E. Comp. J. B. Nixon, Toronto.

R. E. Comp. John McLaren, Orangeville.

Appointed Members.

R. E. Comp. A. G. Smyth, London.

R. E. Comp. T. C. Macnabb, Chatham.

R. E. Comp. H. K. Maitland, Guelph.

R. E. Comp. Robt. Hendry, Jr, Kingston.

V. E. Comp. Hugh A. Mackay, Hamilton.

FREEMASONRY AND THE R. C. CHURCH IN QUEBEC.

We regret to learn that the R. C. Church in the Lower Province, dur-