

But a solemn Compact of Alliance, having for its aim the binding intimately between them the different regular centres of Scottish Masonry. in order to maintain active relations by a constant communication of their ideas and progress, ought to have, as a result, the increasing a hundred-fold its force and power, and of rendering its influence in the midst of humanity most fruitful. This is why we shall consider as a happy event the Compact of 1875, which will mark a date precious in the history of Scottish Masonry, and will be the point of departure of a new movement of the greatest extent, most energetic in its action.

The foundations of this grand edifice have been laid with wisdom; our energy, our activity, will tend to its perfection. We shall all wish that it may distinguish itself by its beauty and its immovable solidity. This is why we shall not listen to any dissenting voice; we shall not resort to any appeal outside the Confederation, because we have sworn fidelity to the flag unfurled at Lausanne!

At London we shall confide it to hands as brave and as powerful, and we know that the Supreme Council for England will hold it high and firm against all aggression.

Perhaps we should consider it a specially happy circumstance that the seat of the Executive Authority of our Confederation should be transferred from free Switzerland upon the British soil, the home of that powerful nation, so admirably identified with liberty; marching for a long time, and with an assured tread, on the way of progress; sympathetic with the weak and unfortunate; profoundly imbued with the feeling of the dignity of man; respectful of parliamentary traditions trampled on elsewhere with so light a heart.

We give you, then, the rendezvous at London for the 15th July, 1878, and, in the meantime, we beg of you, T.: P.: Sov.: Gr.: Commander and T.: Ill.: Brethren, to accept the expression of our most devoted and fraternal feelings.

JULES DUSCHESNE, 33^o,

Sec.: Gen.: Chan.: of the Rite.

A. AMBERNY, 33^o,

Sov.: Gr.: Commander.

(Appendix C.)

Letter of the Grand Chancellor to the Supreme Council of Ireland.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND CHANCELLOR,

ST. JOHN, N. B., Sept. 3rd, 1877.

ILL.: SIR AND BROTHER,—

The Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council for Canada has heard, through Ill.: Bro.: PIKE, of the death of three eminent members

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