

the Grand Master of Scotland in this Province, and ruled the Lodges formerly holding warrants from the Grand Lodge of Scotland, and is a Brother of great eminence, experience and ability in the Craft;

*Therefore Resolved*, That the R. W. Brother Robert Gowan is hereby constituted a permanent member of Grand Lodge, with the title, rank, and dignity of Past Grand Master, and with the privilege of wearing, in this Grand Lodge, the regalia of a Provincial Grand Master of Scotland.

Amidst great applause, Grand Lodge was called up, and the Right Worshipful Brother was saluted with the customary honors.

The M. W. the Grand Master, in conveying to Brother Gowan, the vote of Grand Lodge, expressed his hearty approval of the language of the resolution, and his concurrence with the act of Grand Lodge. Bro. Gowan thanked the Grand Master for his flattering and fraternal address, and returned his warm acknowledgments to Grand Lodge for the honor conferred.

#### OFFICERS ELECT.

M. W. Grand Master, Bro. John V. Ellis; R. W. Deputy Grand Master, Edward Willis; R. W. Senior Grand Warden, Isaac W. Doherty; R. W. Junior Grand Warden, Thomas J. Robinson; V. W. Grand Chaplain, Rev. Howard Sprague; V. W. Grand Treasurer, Wm. H. A. Keans; W. Grand Tyler, Dingee Scribner.

#### MASONIC LIBRARY.—PORTRAITS OF GRAND MASTER.

The Committee on Grand Secretary's Report submitted the following report which, on motion of W. Bro. J. Gordon Forbes, P. M. Lodge No. 2, was ordered to be received and the recommendations adopted, viz:—

Masonic Hall, St. John, N. B. 26th Sept. 1872.

The Committee appointed to report upon so much of the Report of the V. W. Grand Secretary, as relates to "Masonic Library," and "Portraits of Past Grand Masters," beg leave to say, that they heartily approve of the suggestions above referred to, and would recommend that the *President, Vice President and Secretary* of the Board of General Purposes, be a "Grand Lodge Library Committee," and that the "Board" shall from time to time vote such amounts as to it may seem requisite to secure the object desired; and they would further recommend that the Board of General Purposes be authorized to procure "Portraits," of Past Grand Masters.

ROBERT MARSHALL, W. H. A. KEANS.  
THOS. J. ROBERTSON, A. F. STREET,  
Committee.

#### QUEBEC.

Pursuant to the order of the day, Grand Lodge proceeded to the consideration of the resolution offered, at last evening's session, by W. Bro. Edward Willis, Past A. G. D. C., and seconded by W. Bro. Charles U. Hamford, Grand Steward, viz:

That this Grand Lodge cordially tenders recognition to the Grand Lodge of Quebec, and freely extends to her the right hand of fellowship.

Whereupon, it was moved by W. Bro. Robert Marshall, Past J. G. D., seconded by W. Bro. J. Gordon Forbes, P. M. Lodge No. 2, and

*Resolved*,—That the further consideration of the resolution offered by W. Bro. Willis, and made the order of the day for 3 o'clock this afternoon, be postponed for this session of Grand Lodge.

#### BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

The V. W. the Grand Secretary gave notice that, at the next Annual Communication, he will propose an amendment to the Constitution, whereby Past Grand Masters shall become *ex offi-vo* members of the Board of General Purposes.

#### INVASION OF TERRITORY.

The Committee on circulars from the Grand Masters of Massachusetts, New Jersey and Michigan, submitted the following

#### REPORT:

St. John, N. B., September 26th, 1872.

M. W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick:

Your Committee to whom was referred the several communications from the M. W. Grand Lodges of New Jersey, Michigan and Massachusetts, beg leave to report:—

That it appears from the circular of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, that the Grand