

several Preceptories, for the many acts of courtesy extended to me during the year.

I have the honor to be,

Yours courteously and fraternally,

‡ PHILIP J. SLATTER,

Provincial Prior,

Toronto District.

Toronto, 7th July, 1885.

KINGSTON DISTRICT.

REPORT.

To the Most Eminent the Supreme Grand Master, Officers and Frates of the Great Priory of Canada,—

FRATRES,—In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of Great Priory, I beg to submit my Second Annual Report, as Provincial Prior of the Kingston District.

Shortly after my selection as Provincial Prior for the current year, the Grand Chancellor returned to me the correspondence in connection with the irregularities complained of in Gondemar Preceptory, referred to in my last Annual Report, with a request that I should enquire into the irregularities with as little delay as possible. In consequence of which, I instructed the E. P. R. E. Sir Knight Chatfield, to call a special meeting of the Preceptory for that purpose, which, after some considerable delay, was called for the 3rd October, 1884.

I attended this meeting of the Preceptory at Maitland, and was exceedingly pleased to find the Supreme Grand Master in attendance, as well as a large number of the Frates of the Preceptory.

I proceeded at once to enquire into and investigate the charges made against the Registrar, R. E. Sir Knight John Moore, and after hearing the statements of several members of the Preceptory in support of the charges, and of the Registrar in reply, it appeared to me that the irregularities of Frater John Moore, while holding the office of Registrar of the Preceptory, were such that the interests of the Preceptory required his immediate removal from office. I gave him the option of handing in his resignation, or of being suspended from office. He at once handed in his resignation, when I notified him that no further action would be taken by me in connection with the very serious charges made against him, if, before the next meeting of the Preceptory, which I fixed for the third Thursday in November following, he would produce the minutes written up of the meetings of the Preceptory during the time he had acted as Registrar, furnish