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SUPREME COUNCIL.

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U. S. acknowledging invitations to this session, and in the case of two stating their inability to attend, viz :—

Ill.: Bro.: VINCENT L. HULBURT, 33°, Illinois.

“ “ GEORGE O. TYLER, 33°, Vermont.

“ “ ALBERT P. MORIARTY, 33°, New York.

It was moved by Ill.: Bro.: ELLIS, seconded by Ill.: Bro.: MUNRO,—“That the proceedings of this Council, at its Annual Session, October, 1878, having been printed and distributed, the same be now confirmed.”—Carried.

The proceedings of a Special Session of this Council, held in Hamilton, on 20th March of the present year, were read and on motion confirmed.

Ill.: Bro.: W. B. SIMPSON, created a member of the 33° at the Special Session above mentioned, was duly welcomed.

The Sovereign Grand Commander then delivered his Annual Address, as follows :—

ADDRESS

*To the Supreme Council, 33°, of the A. A. & A. A. Scottish Rite of the Dominion of Canada, and the Officers and Members thereof, GREETING:*

ILLUSTRIOUS BRETHREN,—

If we look back, it seems but a brief period since we last assembled together, in Annual Session, and I had the pleasure and privilege of addressing you. Our “Chain of Union” still happily remains intact, and not a link has been broken since we then exchanged thoughts and opinions, and took brotherly counsel together. Thanks be to God for his many mercies.

The past year has been a peaceful and harmonious one, as far as our Rite is concerned. I know of no cause of complaint against the several Bodies and individual members acknowledging our obedience. Their loyalty and allegiance have been true and trusty.

I need not unnecessarily occupy your time by attempting to particularize the condition of the Rite, inasmuch as the reports of your Illustrious Deputies for their respective Districts will do that better than I can, and the same may be said in relation to Statistics and your Financial affairs, which our Grand Treasurer and Secretary General will explain. To each and all of these Officers I tender my thanks for their kind assistance during the past year. They make my work a labor of love.