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OF
FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS
OF
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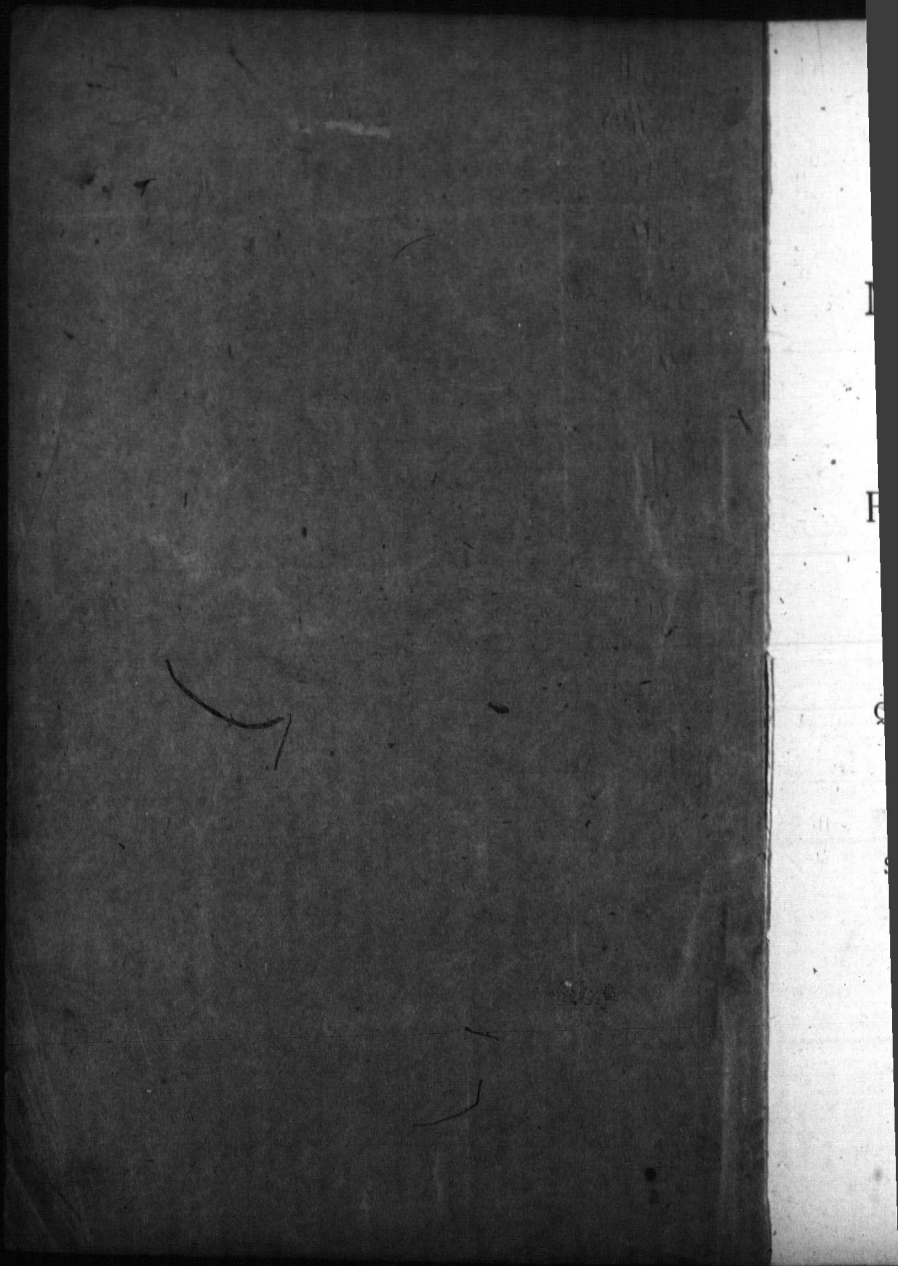
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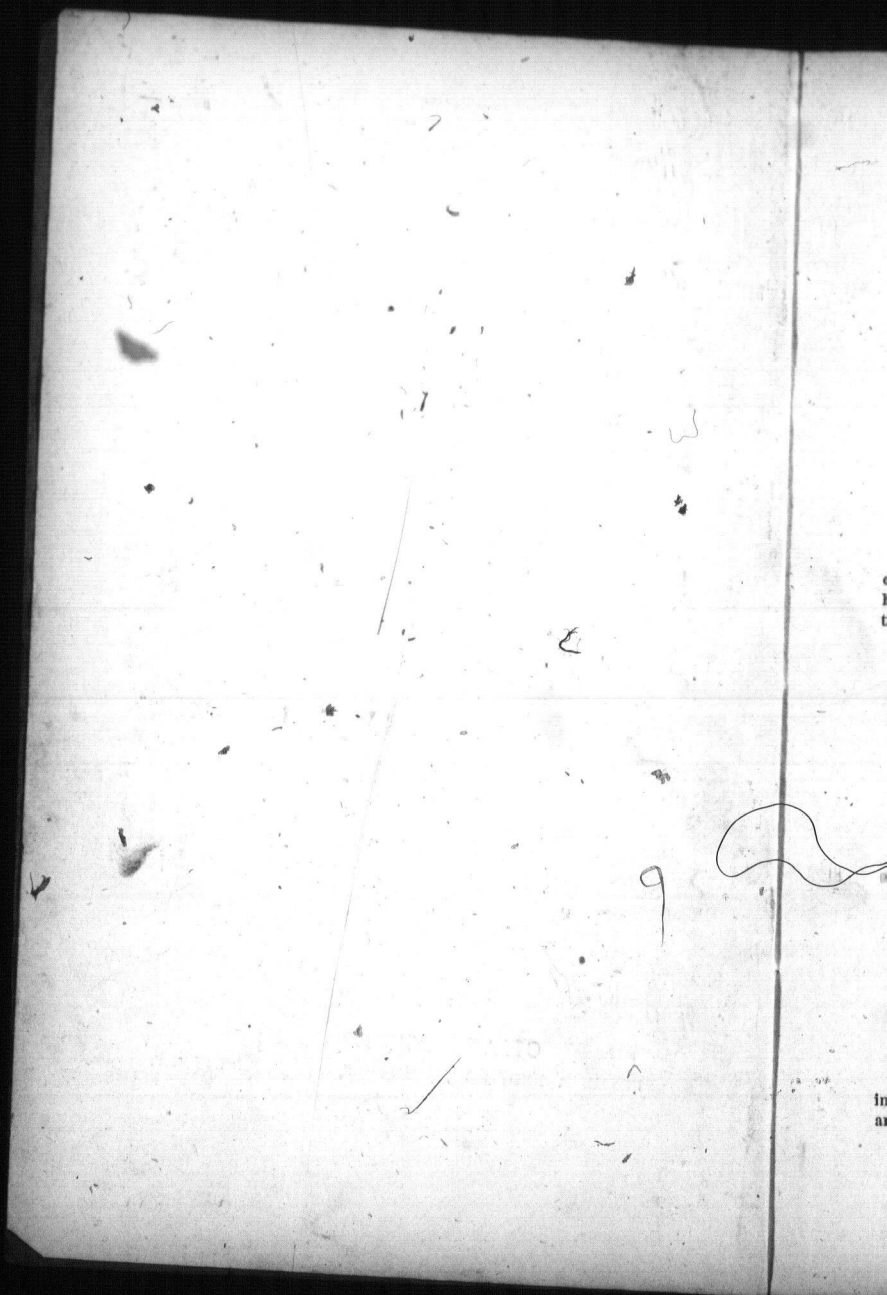
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PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND,

A. F. & A. M.

QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION.

A Quarterly Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Prince Edward Island, was held at Mount Lebanon Lodge Room, Summerside, on Wednesday, the 17th day of May, 1876, at 12 o'clock, meridian.

PRESENT:

R. W., THOMAS A. MCLEAN, . Deputy Grand Master.
R. W., WILLIAM T. HUNT, . . Senior Grand Warden.
W., SIMON W. CRABBE, . as Junior Grand Warden.
W., NEIL RANKIN, . . . as Grand Treasurer.
R. W., B. WILSON HIGGS, . . Grand Secretary.
R. W., ADAM MURRAY, . . . Grand Lecturer.
R. W., Rev. THOMAS B. MCLEAN, Grand Chaplain.
R. W., Rev. NEN. MCKAY, . . .
W., DAVID MONTGOMERY, . Senior Grand Deacon.
W., CYRUS V. MCGREGOR, as Junior Grand Deacon.
W., R. A. CLARK, Grand Director of Ceremonies.
W., W. R. ELLIS, Asst. " " "
W., DAVID SMALL, Grand Sword Bearer.
W., THOMAS BREHAUT, . . Grand Standard Bearer.
W., N. P. STRAMBERG, . . Grand Organist.
W., G. R. MONTGOMERY, as Grand Pursuivant.
W., RICHARD HUNT, . . . Grand Steward.
BRO. THOMAS SHEIDOW, . Grand Tyler.

The Grand Lodge was opened in due form with prayer.

The Credential Committee reported from time to time the following Representatives and Members in attendance and entitled to seats and vote in Grand Lodge.

GRAND LODGE OF P. E. ISLAND.

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, No. 1.

DAVID SMALL, W. M.
 ADAM MURRAY, P. M.
 SIMON W. CRABBE, P. M.
 THOMAS A. MCLEAN, P. M.
 GEORGE W. WAKEFORD, Proxy for Wardens.

VICTORIA LODGE, No. 2.

CYRUS V. MCGREGOR, S. W.
 J. W. MORRISON, P. M.
 NEIL RANKIN, P. M.
 B. WILSON HIGGS, P. M.
 W. W. MCLEOD, P. M.
 W. H. FINDLEY, Proxy for Lodge.

KING HIRAM LODGE, No. 3.

WILLIAM T. HUNT, P. M.
 GEORGE COMPTON, P. M.

ALEXANDRA LODGE, No. 5.

WILLIAM R. ELLIS, W. M.
 JOHN BELL, S. W.
 JOHN YEO, P. M.
 HUGH A. RAMSAY, P. M.

MOUNT LEBANON LODGE, No. 6.

THOMAS BREHÄUT, W. M.
 WILLIAM T. BURRIS, S. W.
 WILLIAM STEWART, J. W.
 JAMES MUIRHEAD, P. M.
 DAVID ROGERS, P. M.
 NEIL MCKELVIE, P. M.
 DAVID MONTGOMERY, P. M.
 RICHARD HUNT, P. M.

ZETLAND LODGE, No. 7.

GEORGE R. MONTGOMERY, P. M.
 R. A. CLARK, P. M.
 JOHN A. MATHESON, P. M.

TRUE BROTHERS LODGE, No. 8.

HENRY W. ROBERTSON, S. W.
 JOHN MUIRHEAD, P. M.
 SOLOMON LEARD, P. M.

KING SOLOMON LODGE, No. 9.

N. P. STRAMBERG, J. W.

W. Brother, JOHN W. MORRISON, presented a commission from the M. W. Grand Lodge, of New Brunswick, appointing him the Representative of that Grand Lodge, and near the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island.

On motion was received and accredited.

R. W., Brother THOMAS A. MCLEAN, presented a commission from the M. W. Grand Lodge of Manitoba, appointing him the Representative of that Grand Lodge, near the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island.

On motion was received and accredited.

The M. W. Grand Master took his seat in the East.

W. Brother, SIMON W. CRABBE, pursuant to notice given at the Annual Communication; Moved the following:

That the Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge, be held on the third Wednesday in June, instead of the third Wednesday in February, and that the Quarterly Communication be held on the third Wednesday in September, December, and March.

After considerable discussion the motion was lost.

Grand Secretary presented a Petition from Brothers T. W. JOHNSON, GEORGE HOWARTH, J. W. NEEDHAM, and others, praying for a Dispensation to form a new Lodge, to be called WESTMORLAND, in Victoria, Lot 29.

On motion Prayer of Petition was granted.

Grand Secretary read an Appeal from P. S. Grand Warden, JOHN MUIRHEAD, also, a Memorial from several members of True Brothers Lodge, both on a decision of the W. M. of True Brothers Lodge.

On motion, a Committee consisting of R. W., Bro. ADAM MURRAY, W. Bro. J. W. MORRISON, W. Bro. NEIL MCKELVIE, W. Bro. R. A. CLARK, and R. W. Bro. WILLIAM T. HUNT, was appointed to report on Appeal and Memorial in the afternoon session.

Grand Lodge was called from labor to meet at three o'clock.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON,

17th May.

Grand Lodge was called to labor at three o'clock; M. W. Grand Master in the East.

W. Bro. R. A. CLARK and Bro. WILLIAM R. ELLIS, were installed as Grand Director and Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies.

W. Bro. J. W. MORRISON, stated that he declined putting the motion for certain amendment to the constitution, notice of which was given at the Annual Communication.

W. Bro. W. W. MCLEOD, pursuant to notice given at the Annual Communication; Moved the following:

In Section 1, of the regulations for the government of Subordinate Lodges, in the Constitution, under the head of "Proposing Members," on page 53, to strike out all after the word "Lodge," on the third line of the said paragraph to, and including the word "ballot," on the eleventh line of the same, and by substituting the following: "Nor until his Grand Lodge Certificate, with the Certificate of his former Lodge be produced, and the decision of the Brethren be ascertained by ballot, as in the case of a Petition for Membership."

Which motion was lost.

W. Bro. J. W. MORRISON, Chairman of the Committee appointed to report on the Appeal and Memorial from members of True Brothers Lodge, moved that the Committee be discharged, and the matter be discussed in Grand Lodge, which was agreed to, and after discussing the matter it was decided to leave the decision to the M. W. Grand Master, who gave his decision on the question raised.

On Motion of W. Bro. J. W. MORRISON, seconded by W. Bro. DAVID SMALL, the Ritual Committee was discharged.

W. Bro. SIMON W. CRABBE, submitted the following resolution, which was seconded by the Grand Secretary, and adopted.

Resolved, That the Ritual now used by the M. W. Grand Lodge, of New Brunswick be adopted by this Grand Lodge.

On Motion a vote of thanks was unanimously passed to the Brethren of Mount Lebanon Lodge³⁴, for the use of their Hall, for this Communication.

M. W. Grand Master, presented a Commission from the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, appointing him the Representative of that Grand Lodge, near this Grand Lodge, and was duly accredited as such.

No further business appearing, the minutes were read and approved. The Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island was closed in ample form with prayer.

B. Wilson Higgs
Grand Secy

GRAND LODGE

OF

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

The Quarterly Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island, A. F. & A. M., at Port Hill, in Alexandra Lodge, August 16, 1876, at one o'clock, p. m.

PRESENT:

M. W., JOHN YEO,	Grand Master.
W., GEORGE R. MONTGOMERY,	as Senior Grand Warden.
W., W. R. ELLIS,	Junior Grand Warden.
R. W., B. WILSON HIGGS,	Grand Secretary.
W., THOMAS ADAMS,	S. Grand Deacon.
W., HENRY NEWCOMBE,	J. Grand Deacon.
W., H. A. RAMSAY,	Grand Pursuivant.
D. MONTGOMERY,	Grand Tyler.

Grand Lodge was opened in ample form with prayer.

The Grand Secretary reported that there was not a quorum present.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor until the 30th August, then to meet again at Port Hill, at one o'clock, p. m.

PORT HILL,

August 30, 1877.

The Grand Lodge was called to labor at seven o'clock, p. m., M. W. Grand Master in the East.

PRESENT:

M. W., JOHN YEO,	Grand Master.
R. W., THOMAS A. MCLEAN,	Deputy Grand Master.
R. W., WILLIAM T. HUNT,	Senior Grand Warden.
R. W., JOHN A. MATHESON, as	Junior Grand Warden.
W., JOHN W. MORRISON, as	Grand Treasurer.
R. W., B. WILSON HIGGS,	Grand Secretary.
W., JAMES MUIRHEAD, as	Grand Chaplain.
W., GEORGE R. MONTGOMERY, as	Senior Grand Deacon.

W., ALEX. MCKENZIE, as . . .	Junior Grand Deacon.
W., R. A. CLARK, as . . .	Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
W., W. R. ELLIS, as . . .	Asst. " " "
W., JAMES BARCLAY, as . . .	Grand Sword Bearer.
W., THOMAS BREHAUT, . . .	Grand Standard Bearer.
N. P. STRAMBERG, . . .	Grand Organist.
W., CYRUS V. MCGREGOR, as .	Grand Pursuivant.
W., HUGH A. RAMSAY, as . .	Grand Steward.
W., SOLOMON LEARD, as . . .	" "
A. MCINTOSH, as . . .	Grand Tyler.

The Credential Committee reported the following Brethren present, and entitled to seats in Grand Lodge.

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, No. 1.

DAVID SMALL,	W. M.
THOMAS A. MCLEAN,	P. M.

VICTORIA LODGE, No. 2.

CYRUS V. MCGREGOR,	W. M.
JOHN W. MORRISON,	P. M.
ALEXANDER MCKENZIE,	P. M.
B. WILSON HIGGS,	P. M.

KING HIRAM LODGE, No. 3.

WILLIAM T. HUNT,	P. M.
R. A. CLARK,	P. M.

ST. GEORGE'S LODGE, No. 4.

JOSEPH FAIRCHILD,	S. W.
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ALEXANDRA LODGE, No. 5.

W. R. ELLIS,	W. M.
JOHN BELL,	S. W.
HENRY NEWCOMBE,	J. W.
JOHN YEO,	P. M.
HUGH A. RAMSAY,	P. M.
JAMES BARCLAY,	P. M.
THOMAS ADAMS,	P. M.

MOUNT LEBANON LODGE, No. 6.

THOMAS BREHAUT,	W. M.
WILLIAM STEWART,	S. W.
JAMES MUIRHEAD,	P. M.
DAVID MONTGOMERY,	P. M.

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GRAND LODGE OF P. E. ISLAND.

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ZETLAND LODGE, No. 7.

ARCHIBALD J. LEARD, /S. W.
G. R. MONTGOMERY, P. M.
JOHN A. MATHESON, P. M.
JOSEPH L. DYER, P. M.
R. A. CLARK, P. M.

TRUE BROTHERS LODGE, No. 8.

SOLOMON LEARD, P. M.

KING SOLOMON LODGE, No. 9.

N. P. STRAMBERG, J. W.

Minutes of Quarterly Communication were read.

The Grand Secretary called the attention of the Grand Lodge to several matters connected with his office, which were discussed.

The M. W. Grand Master called on the representatives of the different Subordinate Lodges to give a report of the working in the different Lodges, which were of a satisfactory nature.

On motion:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Grand Lodge be tendered to the Brethren of Alexandra Lodge for the use of their Lodge Room during this communication.

After spending a very pleasant evening discussing matters connected with the Craft, and no further business appearing, the minutes were read and approved, and the M. W. Grand Lodge of P. E. Island was closed, in ample form, with prayer.

B. Wilson Higgs
Grand Secy

GRAND LODGE

OF

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Quarterly Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island, A. F. & A. M., held at Georgetown, in St. Georges Lodge Room, on Wednesday, the 15th day of November, 1876, at eight o'clock, p. m.

PRESENT:

M. W., JOHN YEO,	Grand Master.
W., W. W. MCLEOD, as	Senior Grand Warden.
R. W., GEORGE A. AITKEN, . . .	Junior Grand Warden.
R. W., JAMES MUIRHEAD, as . . .	Grand Treasurer.
R. W., B. WILSON HIGGS,	Grand Secretary.
W., RODERICK MUNRO, as	Grand Chaplain.
W., D. H. MCKINNON, as	Senior Grand Deacon.
W., A. H. B. MACGOWAN, as . . .	Junior Grand Deacon.
W., SOLOMON LEARD, as	Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
W., JOSEPH FAIRCHILD, as	Grand Sword Bearer.
W., CYRUS V. MCGREGOR, as . . .	Grand Pursuivant.
DAVID H. LOGAN, as	Grand Tyler.

The Grand Lodge was opened in ample form, with prayer.

The credential committee reported the following members present, and entitled to seats in Grand Lodge.

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, No. 1.

A. H. B. MACGOWAN, J. W.

VICTORIA LODGE, No. 2.

CYRUS V. MCGREGOR, S. W.

B. WILSON HIGGS, P. M.

W. W. MCLEOD, P. M.

GRAND LODGE OF P. E. ISLAND.

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ST. GEORGE'S LODGE, No. 4.

GEORGE A. AITKEN, W. M.
JOSEPH FAIRCHILD, S. W.
DAVID KAY, P. M.
R. MUNROE, P. M.

ALEXANDRA LODGE, No. 5.

JOHN YEO, P. M.

TRUE BROTHERS LODGE, No. 8.

SOLOMON LEARD, P. M.
JAMES MUIRHEAD, P. M.

KING SOLOMON LODGE, No. 9.

D. H. MCKINNON, S. W.

On motion it was Resolved that all Master Masons in good standing be admitted to seats in Grand Lodge.

The Minutes of the last Quarterly Communication were read.

The Grand Secretary read a communication relative to Grand Lodge clothing which, on motion, was allowed to lay over.

Bro. W. W. McLEOD gave notice that he would, at the annual communication in February, move to alter that part of the constitution requiring the Grand Lodge to meet quarterly, and only to have annual communications to meet at such places as the Grand Lodge shall decide on.

The Grand Secretary presented a communication from the Grand Lodge of Quebec, appointing W. Bro. NEIL MCKELVIE of Mount Lebanon Lodge the representative of that Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island.

On motion it was duly received and accredited.

Several matters for the good of the Order were discussed by the members.

On motion

Resolved, That the thanks of the Grand Lodge be tendered to the Brethren of St. Georges Lodge, for the use of their Lodge Room for this communication.

No further business appearing the minutes were read and approved, and the Third Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of P. E. Island was closed in ample form, with prayer.

B. Wilson Higgs
Grand Secy

SECOND ANNUAL COMMUNICATION
OF THE
M. W. GRAND LODGE

OF
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND,

A. F. & A. M.,

*Was held at Victoria Lodge Room, Charlottetown, commencing
on Wednesday, the 21st day of February,
A. D. 1877, A. L. 5877.*

PRESENT:

M. W., JOHN YEO.	Grand Master.
R. W., THOMAS A. MCLEAN, . . .	Deputy Grand Master.
R. W., JOHN A. MATHESON, as . .	Senior Grand Warden.
R. W., GEORGE A. AITKEN, . . .	Junior Grand Warden.
R. W., JAMES D. MASON, . . .	Grand Treasurer.
R. W., B. WILSON HIGGS, . . .	Grand Secretary.
R. W., ADAM MURRAY,	Grand Lecturer.
R. W., REV. DOCTOR J. H. READ .	Grand Chaplain.
W., DAVID MONTGOMERY, . . .	Senior Grand Deacon.
W., HENRY W. LONGWORTH, as .	Junior Grand Deacon.
W., A. N. LARGE, as	Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
W., A. MCKENZIE, as	Asst. " " "
W., RODERICK MUNRO, as . . .	Grand Sword Bearer.
W., THOMAS BREHAUT,	Grand Standard Bearer.
W., JOHN CLAY,	Grand Pursuivant.
W., ALEXANDER MCKINNON, . .	Grand Steward.
Bro. JOHN JONES, as	Grand Tyler.

The Grand Lodge was opened in ample form, and with prayer, by
Bro. Rev. Doctor J. H. READ, Grand Chaplain.

On motion it was

Resolved, That all Master Masons in good standing be admitted as visitors during the present communication.

The Minutes of the three Quarterly Communications were read.

The committee on credentials reported the following members present and entitled to seats and votes in Grand Lodge.

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, No. 1.

ALEXANDER McDougall,	W. M.
G. W. Wakeford,	S. W.
DONALD MCKENZIE,	J. W.
ADAM MURRAY,	P. M.
A. N. LARGE,	P. M.
J. G. J. WELDON,	P. M.
THOMAS A. MCLEAN,	P. M.
SIMON W. CRABBE,	P. M.
DAVID SMALL,	P. M.

VICTORIA LODGE, No. 2.

CYRUS V. MCGREGOR,	W. M.
CHARLES GRYLLS,	S. W.
W. H. FINDLEY,	J. W.
JOHN W. MORRISON,	P. M.
JAMES D. MASON,	P. M.
AMBROSE L. BROWN,	P. M.
ALEX. MCKENZIE,	P. M.
B. WILSON HIGGS,	P. M.
W. W. MCLEOD,	P. M.
H. W. LONGWORTH,	P. M.

KING HIRAM LODGE, No. 3.

JOHN CLAY,	S. W.
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ST. GEORGE'S LODGE, No. 4.

GEORGE A. AITKEN,	W. M.
JOSEPH FAIRCHILD,	S. W.
DAVID LOGAN,	J. W.
RODERICK MUNRO,	P. M.

ALEXANDRA LODGE, No. 5.

THOS. H. POPE,	W. M.
JAMES W. RICHARDS,	S. W.
JOHN YEO,	P. M.
JAMES BARCLAY,	P. M.
HUGH A. RAMSAY,	P. M.

MOUNT LEBANON LODGE, No. 6.

W. F. BURROWS,	W. M.
WILLIAM STEWART,	S. W.
THOMAS BREHAUT,	P. M.
DAVID MONTGOMERY,	P. M.

ZETLAND LODGE, No. 7.

JOHN A. MATHESON,	P. M.
GEORGE R. MONTGOMERY,	P. M.

KING SOLOMON LODGE, No. 9.

HENRY W. AITKEN,	W. M.
H. C. BROWNELL,	S. W.
JAMES MCKECHNIE,	J. W.
ALEX. MCKINNON,	P. M.
WILLIAM MCKECHNIE,	P. M.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master delivered the following address:

BRETHREN:

In accordance with the provisions of our constitution we are again assembled at this our Second Annual Communication. I am much pleased to find so many representatives present from the Subordinate Lodges. It is our duty to examine carefully all proceedings in connection with the craft for the past year—to redress grievances if any are known to exist, and to consider earnestly what is required from us, upon this occasion, to advance the interest of our cherished order within this jurisdiction.

Since our last Annual Communication this Grand Lodge has received the recognition and fraternal greeting of the following Grand Lodges:

Nova Scotia,	Massachusetts,	Wisconsin,	Oregon,
British Columbia,	Maine,	Iowa,	Idaho,
Texas,	Louisiana,	Florida,	S. Carolina.
California.	New York.		

I have appointed the following representatives of this Grand Lodge to other Grand Lodges:

Bro. HENRY P. BUCKLEY, near the Grand Lodge of Louisiana; M. W. Bro. E. GEORGE CONKLIN, near the Grand Lodge of Manitoba; Bro. JOHN KENNEDY, near the Grand Lodge of Idaho; Bro. SAMUEL REED, near the Grand Lodge of New Jersey; Bro. W. H. CLARK, near the Grand Lodge of Nebraska; Bro. DAVID A. MANSON; near the Grand Lodge of Quebec.

I have recommended R. W. Bro. WILLIAM T. HUNT for appointment as the representative of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana near this Grand Lodge.

I have also recommended R. W. Bro. JOHN A. MATHESON to be the representative near this Grand Lodge of the Grand Lodge of Idaho.

I have also recommended R. W. Bro. JOHN MUIRHEAD as the representative of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska near this Grand Lodge.

I submit these recommendations and appointments to which I ask the confirmation of Grand Lodge.

I have granted a Dispensation to form a new Lodge at Crapaud, to be called WESTMORLAND.

I have also issued a Dispensation to Bros. MCFARLANE, MCLEAN, CARLTON, and other Brethren to form a new Lodge at Souris, to be called ORIENT. This Lodge has been opened under most favorable auspices, and with every prospect of a bright future.

Four Dispensations have been granted to confer degrees at shorter periods than allowed by our constitution.

As provided by our constitution, three Quarterly Communications of Grand Lodge have been held—one in May, at Summerside; in August, at Port Hill; and at Georgetown, in November. The weather was remarkably fine on each of these occasions, the attendance good, and the members of Grand Lodge were most kindly welcomed and hospitably entertained by the Brethren in their localities. In reference to our Quarterly Communications a notice has been given by a W. Bro. that these be discontinued; this matter will, no doubt, come before Grand Lodge for decision.

No questions of importance have been submitted for my decision. I am happy to report, so far as I am informed, that the kindest feeling of Brotherly love and harmony prevails amongst the Fraternity within this jurisdiction.

I have visited several of the Lodges which I have found generally in a very satisfactory condition. I was particularly well pleased with the work in St. JOHN'S LODGE, No. 1, which, on the occasion of my visit, could not easily be excelled.

We have every reason to feel thankful to the Great Giver of all good for having favored us with a healthy and bountiful season. We must all have observed with pleasure the great prosperity of Masonry throughout the world during the past year. Within our own little Province, although we cannot report a large increase in numbers still, I think our success has been quite as good as could reasonably be anticipated; our lodges are, financially, in good standing and are all, I think, progressing favorably.

In concluding this short address, allow me to thank you all for the high honor which you have conferred upon me on two successive occasions in electing me to the high position of your Grand Master. It will afford me great satisfaction if, during my term of office, my official acts have met with your approval. I tender my sincere thanks to the officers of the Grand Lodge for the courtesy and kindness they have extended to me on all occasions, and in this respect I have specially to mention R. W. Bro. B. WILSON HIGGS, our energetic Grand Secretary, to whom I am much indebted for valuable assistance.

JOHN YEO, Grand Master.

On motion the Address of the Grand Master was referred to a committee consisting of W. Bro. J. W. MORRISON, R. W. Bro. JOHN A. MATHESON, and W. Bro. AMBROSE L. BROWN.

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Prince Edward Island;

I herewith beg to submit my Annual Report of the proceedings of the Grand Secretary's Office for the past year.

As soon as possible after the last Annual Communication I had the proceedings printed, and forwarded copies to each member of Grand Lodge; also three copies each to the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland, and Scotland; also, to all the Grand Lodges in the United States and Dominion of Canada.

I have received one hundred parchment Diplomas from Edinburgh, R. W. Bro. ALEXANDER HAY having kindly superintended the engraving of a Plate for the same, and had the Diplomas struck off and forwarded, and I am sure that the Grand Lodge will be pleased with the manner in which this work is executed. This lot will answer for the present.

I issued, by order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, a Dispensation to form a new Lodge at Victoria, Lot 29, to be called WESTMORLAND; also a Dispensation to open a new Lodge at Souris, to be called ORIENT.

I have received from the M. W. Grand Lodge of Massachusetts a bound copy of the revised constitution, also the new Trestle Board. I have also received from R. W. Bro. PARVIN, Grand Secretary of Iowa, six large bound volumes of their Grand Lodge Proceedings from its formation to 1876. These, with other Grand Lodge Proceedings received, as per list, are very valuable for reference, as they contain decisions on almost every question that will arise.

The following Grand Lodge Proceedings have been received since my last Report:

Grand Lodge of Canada, 1876,		Grand Lodge of Wyoming,	
" "	Quebec, 1875 & 1876,	" "	Dakota,
" "	New Brunswick, 1876,	" "	South Carolina,
" "	Nova Scotia, 1876,	" "	Connecticut,
" "	Manitoba, 1876,	" "	Nebraska,
" "	British Columbia, 1876,	" "	Minnesota,
" "	Massachusetts, 1876,	" "	Ohio,
" "	Maine, 1876,	" "	Rhode Island,
" "	Idaho,	" "	Utah,
" "	Illinois,	" "	Montana,
" "	Wisconsin,	" "	Missouri,
" "	Indian Territory,	" "	Texas,
" "	California,	" "	New Jersey,
" "	Vermont,	" "	Florida,
" "	New York,	" "	Oregon,
" "	Indiana,	" "	Delaware,
" "	Louisiana,	" "	Virginia,
" "	Colorado,	" "	Brazil.
" "	Washington,		

In looking over the reports of the committees on foreign correspondence, I have been much pleased to see the cordial recognition extended to our Grand Lodge in the Dominion of Canada and United States of America: and at the same time regret to say that the Grand Lodges of England and Scotland, our mother Grand Lodges, have not thought us worth their notice, as they have never acknowledged the receipt of our Memorial or Proceedings.

Returns have been received from all the Lodges for the year ending 27th December, shewing as follows:

Number Initiated,	24,
“ Passed,	20,
“ Raised,	22,
“ Affiliated,	9,
“ Suspended Non-payment Dues,	3,
“ Died,	3,
Whole number Registered,	584.

The receipts of this office during the past year have been three hundred and forty-one dollars and ten cents.

B. WILSON HIGGS, Grand Secretary.

I herewith submit my annual account:

B. WILSON HIGGS, Grand Secretary.

In account with the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island.

RECEIVED FOR DUES.

St. John's Lodge, No. 1.	\$51.30
Victoria “ 2.	38.80
King Hiram “ 3.	8.80
St. Georges “ 4.	22.40
Alexandra “ 5.	20.00
Mount Lebanon “ 6.	35.60
Zetland “ 7.	19.20
True Brothers “ 8.	20.00
King Solomon “ 9.	7.60
	223.70

RECEIVED FOR DIPLOMAS AND ENROLMENTS.

St. John's Lodge No. 1.	\$11.00
Victoria, “ 2.	9.00
St. Georges “ 4.	4.00
Alexandra “ 5.	2.00
Mount Lebanon “ 6.	10.00
Zetland “ 7.	4.00
True Brothers “ 8.	6.00
King Solomon “ 9.	8.00
	\$54.00

RECEIVED FOR NEW WARRANTS, DISPENSATIONS & AFFILIATIONS.

St. John's Lodge No. 1.	\$8.00
Victoria " 2.	2.50
King Hiram " 3.	2.00
St. Georges " 4.	3.00
Alexandra " 5.	2.00
Mount Lebanon " 6.	3.50
True Brothers " 8.	2.00
King Solomon " 9.	5.00
Westmorland U. D.	15.00
Orient U. D.	15.00
	\$58.00

Received for Constitutions, \$5.50

RECAPITULATION.

Received for Dues,	\$223.60
Diplomas and Enrolments,	54.00
Warrants, Dispensations and Affiliations,	58.00
Constitutions,	5.50

Total amount received during year \$341.10

By cash paid J. D. MASON, Grand

Treasurer, \$341.10

B. WILSON HIGGS, Grand Secretary.

On motion the Grand Secretary's Report was submitted to the following committee: Bro. GEORGE W. WAKEFORD, Bro. SIMON W. CRABBE, and Bro. H. W. LONGWORTH.

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

JAMES D. MASON, Grand Treasurer,

In Account with Grand Lodge of P. E. Island.

1876.

Dr,

February. To Balance, \$21.17

1876.

February. To Cash per Grand Secretary, 341.10

\$362.27

Cr,

Feb. 16. By paid Bremner Bros., printing \$58.16

" Secretary, Postage, Stationery, &c. 41.81

" Grand Secretary, Salary, } 150.00

" Grand Tyler, } 20.00

Balance, 92.30

\$362.27

On motion the Grand Treasurer's accounts were referred to committee on Grand Secretary's Report.

The R. W. Grand Secretary offered the following resolution which was, on motion, adopted:

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be authorized to furnish Diplomas, without charges, to all members of Subordinate Lodges who have already paid for Diplomas to the Grand Lodge of England and Scotland, and have not yet received them.

In accordance with notice given at the last Quarterly Communication, W. Bro. W. W. McLEOD moved, seconded by the Grand Secretary, that the Quarterly Communications of the Grand Lodge be abolished, and half-yearly meetings be held, place of meeting to be appointed by Grand Lodge. After considerable discussion the motion was lost.

The Grand Secretary presented a communication from the Grand Lodge of Louisiana appointing R. W. Bro. WILLIAM T. HUNT as the representative of that Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island, with the rank of Past Grand Warden.

On motion, was duly received and accredited.

W. Bro. SIMON W. CRABBE offered the following resolution which, on motion, was adopted:

Resolved, That the election of officers for the ensuing year take place to-morrow, at eleven o'clock a. m.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to meet to-morrow morning, at ten o'clock.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1877.

The Grand Lodge was called to labor at ten o'clock a. m.

M. W. Grand Master in the East.

W. Bro. ALEXANDER MCKINNON submitted the following question to M. W. Grand Master:

Is it competent for a Subordinate Lodge at an emergent meeting to enter on any other business than that specified on the summons?

Answer—No.

On motion of W. Bro. SIMON W. CRABBE, it was

Resolved, That the Grand Tyler be paid \$20 for his services for the past year, including this communication.

W. Bro. JOHN W. MORRISON, Chairman of Committee on the Grand Master's Address, presented the following:

GRAND LODGE,

FEBRUARY 22, 1877.

The Committee to whom was referred the Address of the M. W. Grand Master, beg respectfully to report:

Your Committee are pleased to note so many representatives present from the Subordinate Lodges, and no doubt the Grand Lodge will "carefully consider all proceedings in connection with the craft for the past year." It is a matter of congratulation to your Committee

that since the last annual meeting fourteen Grand Lodges have recognized this Grand Lodge; but, at the same time, regret that our Mother Grand Lodges of England and Scotland are still silent on the formation of this body.

Your Committee would recommend that the appointment of representatives to the several Grand Lodges, made by the M. W. Grand Master, be confirmed.

The Dispensation to Bro. JAMES MCFARLANE and others, at Souris, to open a Lodge in that village, to be called ORIENT,—your Committee agree with the M. W. Grand Master that they have every prospect of a bright future.

The Quarterly Communication held in Summerside, Port Hill and Georgetown during the past year, your Committee are pleased to note, were well attended; and that the representatives received a kindly welcome, and have no doubt all were mutually benefited.

The notice at the last Quarterly Communication to discontinue the Quarterly Communications, having been decided by the Grand Lodge at yesterday's session, require no comment from your Committee.

Your Committee fully endorse, with much pleasure, the sentiments of the M. W. Grand Master relative to the good feeling and harmony that exists throughout the jurisdiction; and that during his visits to the several Subordinate Lodges he was much pleased with the satisfactory condition he found them in.

Your Committee join with the M. W. Grand Master in devout thankfulness to the Grand Architect of the Universe for the healthy and bountiful season we have been permitted to enjoy, and pray that a like blessing from the Giver of all good may be continued in the future.

The courtesy extended to the M. W. Grand Master by the officers of the Grand Lodge meet with the hearty approbation of your Committee, and especially the fidelity and energy of R. W. Bro. HIGGS our efficient Grand Secretary.

Respectfully Submitted,

JOHN W. MORRISON,
JOHN A. MATHESON,
AMBROSE L. BROWN.

Which Report was concurred in.

Brother GEORGE W. WAKEFORD, chairman of committee on the Grand Treasurer's and Grand Secretary's Reports and Accounts, submitted the following report.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island:

Your Committee on the Grand Treasurer's and Grand Secretary's Accounts and Reports have the honor to state that they have examined the accounts of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary and find them correct.

The Receipts for the past year.

For Dues,	\$223.60
Diplomas and enrolments,	54.00
Affiliation,	8.00
Warrants and Dispensations,	50.00
Constitutions,	5.50
	\$341.10

GRAND LODGE OF P. E. ISLAND.

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Brought Forward,	\$341.10
Balance in hands of Treasurer, 1876,	21.17
	\$362.27

EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR.

Printing Report and Stationery,	58 16
Secretary's Bill for sundries,	41.81
Grand Secretary's Salary,	150.00
Grand Tyler,	20.00
Balance in hand,	92.30
	\$362 27

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE W. WAKEFORD,
SIMON W. CRABBE,
H. W. LONGWORTH.

On motion the Report was received and adopted.

W. Bro. SIMON W. CRABBE moved the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Subordinate Lodges forward to the Grand Secretary as soon as possible after St. John's Day, 27th December, the names of the officers elected and installed, and that all returns and dues for Grand Lodge be forwarded on or before the 1st February following.

The Grand Secretary gave notice that at the next quarterly communication he would move for an alteration in that part of the constitution relative to the time of installing the officers of Subordinate Lodges.

The hour appointed for the Election of Officers for the ensuing year having arrived, W. Bro. ALEX. MCKENZIE, Bro. GEORGE W. WAKEFORD, and Bro. JAMES W. MCKECHNIE were appointed as tellers.

The Grand Lodge proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year, with the following results:

M. W., JOHN YEO, re-elected, . . .	Grand Master.
R. W., JOHN W. MORRISON, . . .	Deputy Grand Master.
R. W., THOMAS BREHAUT, . . .	Senior Grand Warden.
R. W., GEORGE A. AITKEN, re-elected, . . .	Junior Grand Warden.
R. W., JAMES D. MASON, " . . .	Grand Treasurer.
R. W., B. WILSON HIGGS, " . . .	Grand Secretary.
R. W., ADAM MURRAY, " . . .	Grand Lecturer.
R. W., REV. DOCTOR J. H. READ, " . . .	Grand Chaplain.
W., DAVID SMALL,	Senior Grand Deacon.
W., JOHN CLAY,	Junior Grand Deacon.
W., A. N. LARGE,	Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
W., GEORGE R. MONTGOMERY, . . .	Asst. " " "

W., RODERICK MUNRO,	Grand Sword Bearer.
W., JAMES BARCLAY,	Grand Standard Bearer.
W., N. P. STRAMBERG,	Grand Organist.
W., THOMAS H. POPE,	Grand Pursuivant.
W., ALEXANDER MCKINNON, . . .	Grand Steward.
W., W. W. MCLEOD,	Grand Steward.
THOMAS SHELDON,	Grand Tyler.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor until four o'clock p. m.

FOUR O'CLOCK, P. M.

Grand Lodge was called to labor, M. W. Grand Master in the east.

On motion it was

Resolved, That as this Grand Lodge, at the Quarterly Communication held at Summerside in May last, decided to adopt the Ritual as worked by the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick; that all Subordinate Lodges be notified that the Grand Lecturer will be prepared to attend to instruct them on the authorized Ritual when they notify him that his services are required.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Quarterly Communication for May be held at Tryon; for August, at Souris; and November, at Alberton.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to the Officers and Brethren of Victoria Lodge for the use of their Hall for this communication.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to meet at 10 o'clock.

TEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

Grand Lodge was called to labor, M. W. Grand Master in the east.

On motion the Grand Lodge proceeded to the installation of Officers for the ensuing year.

M. W. JOHN YEO, re-elected, was duly obligated, invested and installed by Past Deputy Grand Master THOMAS A. MCLEAN.

The following Officers, being present, were then installed by the M. W. Grand Master:

R. W., JOHN W. MORRISON,	Deputy Grand Master.
R. W., THOMAS BREHAUT,	Senior Grand Warden.
R. W., GEORGE A. AITKEN,	Junior Grand Warden.
R. W., B. WILSON HIGGS,	Grand Secretary.
R. W., ADAM MURRAY,	Grand Lecturer.
W., DAVID SMALL,	Senior Grand Deacon.
W., JOHN CLAY,	Junior Grand Deacon.
W., A. N. LARGE,	Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
W., GEORGE R. MONTGOMERY, . .	Asst. " " "
W., RODERICK MUNRO,	Grand Sword Bearer.
W., JAMES BARCLAY,	Grand Standard Bearer.

W., THOMAS H. POPE, Grand Pursuivant.

W., W. W. MCLEOD, Grand Steward.

The M. W. Grand Master announced the appointment of following committees for the year:

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS AND RETURNS:

W., SIMON W. CRABBE, W. H. LONGWORTH; R. W., JOHN A. MATHESON.

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS AND REGULATIONS:

R. W., THOS. A. MCLEAN; R. W., ADAM MURRAY; R. W., Deputy Grand Master JOHN W. MORRISON.

COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS:

R. W., Grand Secretary; W., A. N. LARGE; W., JOHN CLAY.

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES:

M. W. Grand Master. R. W. Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Senior Grand Warden, R. W. Junior Grand Warden, R. W. Grand Secretary, (as per constitution), appointed R. W., ADAM MURRAY; W., W. W. MCLEOD; W., DAVID MONTGOMERY; R. W., JOHN A. MATHESON; W., RODERICK MONRO; R. W., THOMAS A. MCLEAN, Past Deputy G. M.; W., ALEX. MCKINNON; R. W., JOHN MUIRHEAD; W., DAVID SMALL; W., A. N. LARGE.

No further business appearing, the minutes were read and approved, and the M. W. Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island, A. F. & A. M., was closed with prayer, in ample form.

B. Wilson Higgs
Grand Secy

RETURNS OF THE OFFICERS & PAST MASTERS
OF THE
SUBORDINATE LODGES,
UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE
GRAND LODGE OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, No. 1, CHARLOTTETOWN.

OFFICERS:

Alexander McDougall, Worshipful Master; George W. Wakeford, Senior Warden; Donald McKenzie, Junior Warden; A. N. Large, Treasurer; R. B. Huestis, Secretary; Doctor J. H. Read, Chaplain; J. G. J. Weldon, Marshal; S. N. Earle, Organist; J. Alfred Rowe, Senior Deacon; William H. Sampson, Junior Deacon; Henry W. Mutch, Senior Steward; George E. Millner, Junior Steward; George Offer, Inner Guard; Thomas Sheidow, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS:

Adam Murray, J. G. J. Weldon, A. Newton Large, P. S. McGowan, W. D. Stewart, Thomas A. McLean, Alexander Stronach, Simon W. Crabbe, David Small.

VICTORIA LODGE, No. 2, CHARLOTTETOWN.

OFFICERS:

Cryus V. McGregor, Worshipful Master; Charles J. Grylls, Senior Warden; W. H. Findley, Junior Warden; W. R. Watson, Treasurer; C. B. Warren, Secretary; Rev. J. McLeod, Chaplain; Paul Lea, Marshal; Alex. McKenzie, P. M., Organist; W. Bethune, Senior Deacon; Neil Campbell, Junior Deacon; Alex. Devine, Senior Steward; A. N. Ramsey, Junior Steward; Christian Hansen, Inner Guard; Thomas Sheidow, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS:

John W. Morrison, James D. Mason, Neil Rankin, Charles Young, Louis H. Davies, Alexander McKenzie, Ambrose L. Brown, B. Wilson Higgs, W. W. McLeod, Henry W. Longworth.

KING HIRAM LODGE, No. 3, ST. ELEANORS.

OFFICERS:

John Clay, Worshipful Master; George Compton, Senior Warden; A. F. Compton, Junior Warden; Hubert G. Compton, Treasurer; Robert H. McDonald, Secretary; T. B. McLean, Chaplain; Richard Baker, Senior Deacon; Phillip McLeod, Junior Deacon; James D. Stuart, Inner Guard; Edward Raynor, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS:

William T. Hunt, Benj. Mills, Stephen McNeill, George Compton, R. H. McDonald.

ST. GEORGE'S LODGE, No. 4, GEORGETOWN.

OFFICERS:

George Albert Aitken, Worshipful Master; Joseph Fairchild, Senior Warden; David H. Logan, Junior Warden; Angus McPhail, Treasurer; William Wightman, Secretary; Daniel F. Kennedy, Marshall; James W. McDonald, Senior Deacon; John M. Stewart, Junior Deacon; Nathaniel McLaren, Senior Steward; Charles D. Poole, Junior Steward; Donald Beaton, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS:

David Kaye, M. D., William B. Aitken, Roderick Munro, George A. Aitken.

ALEXANDRA LODGE, No. 5, PORT HILL.

OFFICERS:

Thomas H. Pope, Worshipful Master; James W. Richards, Senior Warden; Henry Newcombe, Junior Warden; John Menyard, Treasurer; Hugh Montgomery, Secretary; David Sullivan, Senior Deacon; Lewis W. Birch, Junior Deacon; Norman A. Stewart, Senior Steward; Archibald McIntosh, Junior Steward; Robert Hayes, Inner Guard; William J. Jenkins, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS:

John Yeo, Hugh A. Ramsay, James Barclay, W. T. Ellis, William R. Ellis, Thomas Adams.

MOUNT LEBANON LODGE, No. 6, SUMMERSIDE.

OFFICERS:

William T. Burrows, Worshipful Master; William Stewart, Senior Warden; Thomas Frizzle, Junior Warden; Charles R. Clark, Treasurer; Robert Bealisto, Secretary; Rev. Charles Fraser, Chaplain; Charles B. Saunders, Marshall; Alexander E. Clark, Organist; David Schurman, Senior Deacon; James Whitehead, Junior Deacon; J. D. Enman, Senior Steward; Leonard Morris, Junior Steward; G. M. Doull, Inner Guard; Alexander H. Allan, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS:

James Gourlle, James Muirhead, Richard Hunt, David Rogers, Thomas Brehaut, Neil McKelvie, David Montgomery.

ZETLAND LODGE, No. 7, ALBERTON.

OFFICERS:

Robert Hockin, Worshipful Master; Archibald J. Leard, Senior Warden; Malcolm Ramsay, Junior Warden; R. A. Clark, Treasurer; Joseph L. Dyer, Secretary; David Gordon, Chaplain; James H. B. Cail, Marshall; Neil Woodside, Organist; John T. Proffit, Senior Deacon; Benjamin Champion, Junior Deacon; John McKay, Senior Steward; Charles McRae, Junior Steward; Benjamin Bowness, Inner Guard; Alexander Mathews, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS:

Neil Woodside, John A. Matheson; G. R. Montgomery, R. A. Clark, Joseph L. Dyer.

TRUE BROTHERS LODGE, No. 8, TRYON.

OFFICERS:

Bradford D. Howatt, Worshipful Master; Henry W. Robertson, Senior Warden; Alexander Dunbar, Junior Warden; Cyrenius Clark, Treasurer; Robert Leard, Secretary; Rev. Humphrey Cowperthwaite, Chaplain; John Muirhead, Marshall; Peter Newson, Senior Deacon; Robert McVitie, Junior Deacon; James R. Reid, Senior Steward; Archibald Shaw, Junior Steward; Oliver B. Wadman, Inner Guard; Aaron Collet, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS:

Solomon Leard, John Lang, John Muirhead, Rev. J. W. Johnson, Bradford D. Howatt.

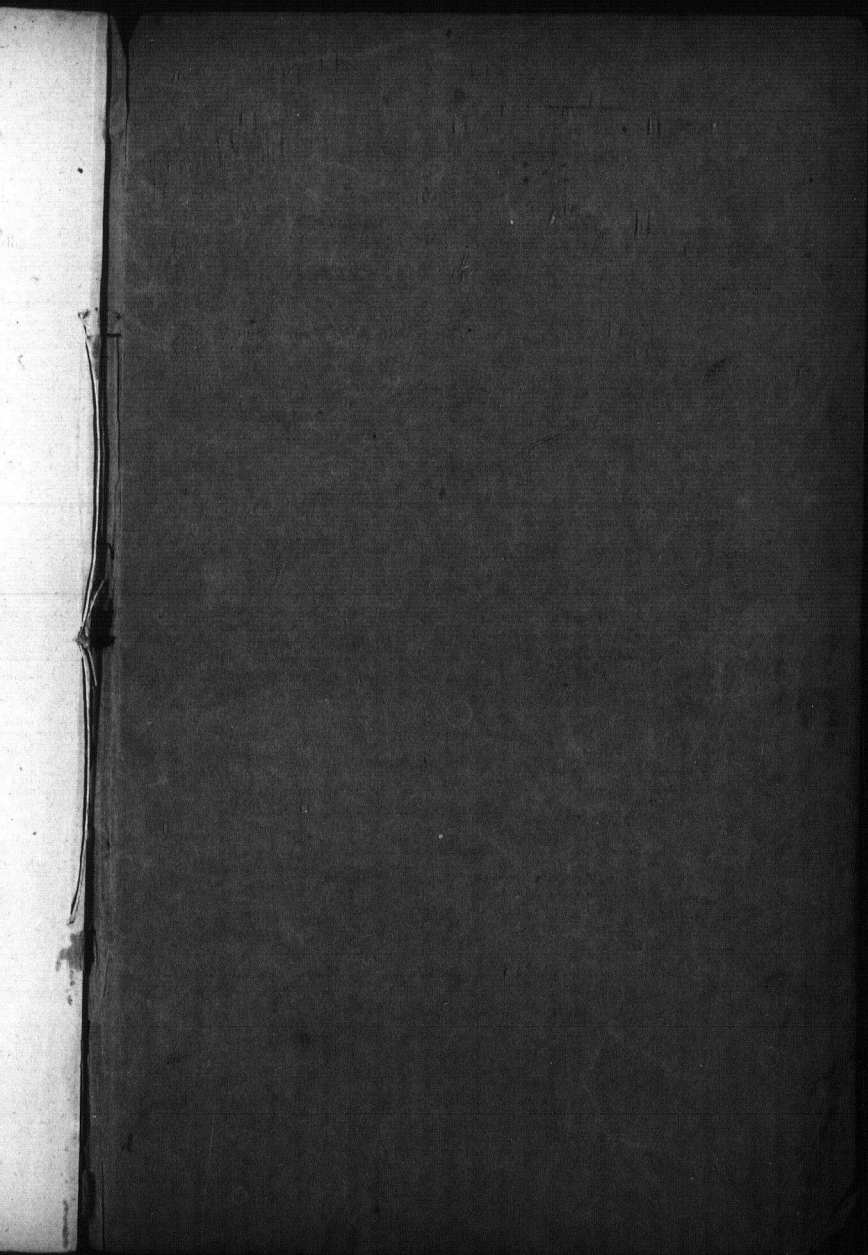
KING SOLOMON LODGE, No. 9, CHARLOTTETOWN.

OFFICERS:

W. H. Aitken, Worshipful Master; H. C. Brownell, Senior Warden; James McKechnie, Junior Warden; D. R. MacLennan, Treasurer; D. T. Johnston, Secretary; Samuel Milner, Senior Deacon; Thomas Boardman, Junior Deacon; James Caldwell, Senior Steward; George Moir, Junior Steward; W. J. Ranton, Inner Guard; Thomas Sheidow, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS:

Alexander McKinnon, William McKechnie, John McPherson.





Grand Officers & their Addresses

FOR 1877.

M. W. Grand Master,	HON. JOHN YEO, re-elected,	Port Hill.
R. W. Deputy Grand Master,	JOHN W. MORRISON,	Charlottetown.
R. W. Senior Grand Warden,	THOMAS BREHAUT,	Summerside.
R. W. Junior Grand Warden,	GEORGE A. AITKEN, re-elected,	Georgetown.
R. W. Grand Treasurer,	JAMES D. MASON,	Charlottetown.
R. W. Grand Secretary,	B. WILSON HIGGS,	Charlottetown.
R. W. Grand Lecturer,	ADAM MURRAY,	Charlottetown.
R. W. Grand Chaplain,	REV. DOCTOR READ,	Charlottetown.
W. Senior Grand Deacon,	DAVID SMALL,	Charlottetown.
W. Junior Grand Deacon,	JOHN CLAY,	Summerside.
W. Grand Dir. of Ceremonies,	A. N. LARGE,	Charlottetown.
W. Asst. " " "	GEORGE R. MONTGOMERY,	Alberton.
W. Grand Sword Bearer,	RODERICK MUNRO,	Georgetown.
W. Grand Standard Bearer,	JAMES BARCLAY,	Ellerslie.
W. Grand Organist,	N. P. STRAMBERG,	Charlottetown.
W. Grand Pursuivant,	THOMAS H. POPE,	Bideford.
W. Grand Steward,	ALEXANDER MCKINNON,	Charlottetown.
W. Grand Steward,	W. W. MCLEOD,	Charlottetown.
Grand Tyler,	THOMAS SHEIDOW,	Charlottetown.

