

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND LODGE OF QUEBEC

Ancient Free and Accepted Masons,
AT
SIXTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION,
HELD AT THE CITY OF MONTREAL,
ON THE
22nd and 23rd September, A.D. 1875, A.L. 5875.

ORDERED TO BE READ IN ALL LODGES AND PRESERVED.

JOHN HAMILTON GRAHAM, RICHMOND, P.Q.

GRAND MASTER.

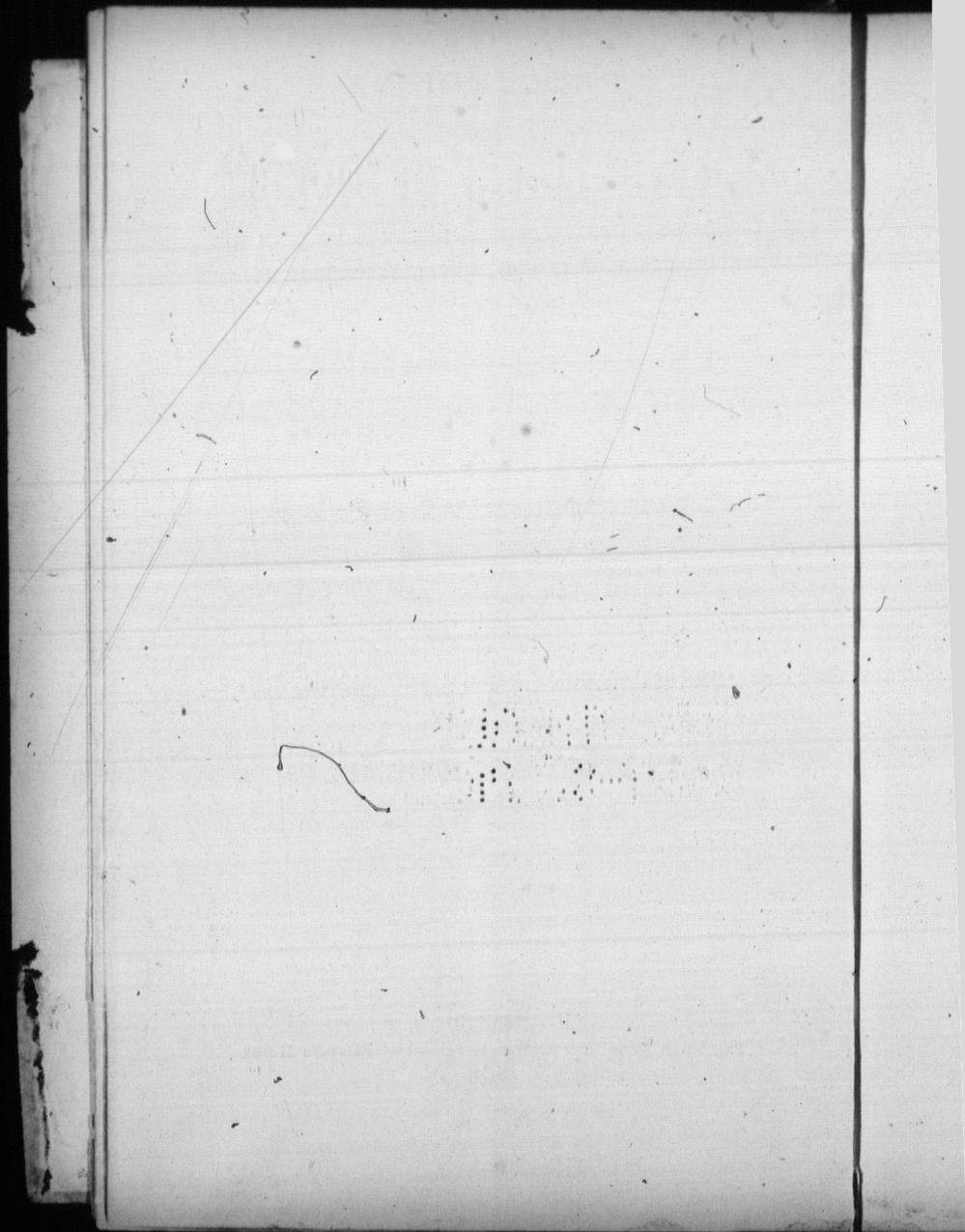
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Grand Lodge of Quebec,

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL COMMUNICATION,

HELD IN THE

CITY OF MONTREAL,

ON THE

TWENTY-SECOND & TWENTY-THIRD DAYS OF SEPT., A.D. 1875, A.L. 5875.

At the Sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, held in the city of Montreal, in the Masonic Hall, Place d'Armes, on Wednesday, the 22nd day of September, 1875, and following day, there were present :

	M. W. Bro. James Dunbar, Grand Master.	
R. W. Bro.	James O'Halloran,	Deputy Grand Master.
" " "	Daniel Thomas,	Grand Senior Warden.
" " "	Samuel Johnston,	" Junior Warden.
" " "	Rev. H. W. Nye,	" Chaplain.
" " "	H. M. Alexander,	" Treasurer.
" " "	Geo. O. Tyler,	" Registrar.
" " "	John H. Isaacson	" Secretary.
V. W. Bro.	W. Young,	Senior Deacon.
" " "	John Alexander,	" Junior Deacon.
" " ",	" Director of Ceremonies.
" " "	T. C. Thurston,	" Organist.
" " "	H. Lecapellain,	" Pursuivant.
" " "	M. Lesser,	" Steward.
" " "	John Shaw,	" "
" " "	S. Warner,	" "
" " "	John Strothers	" Tyler.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

R. W. Bro. Thomas Milton,	Montreal District.
“ Geo. O. Tyler,	Quebec and Three Rivers District

PAST GRAND OFFICERS.

M. W. Bro. J. H. Graham,	P.G.M.
M. W. Bro. Wm. B. Simpson,	“
M. W. Bro. Thos. White, jr.,	“
“ “ “ H. J. Pratten,	P.D.G.M.
R. W. Bro. Frank Edgar,	P.D.D.G.M.
“ “ “ Wm. Miller,	“
“ “ “ J. H. Stearns,	“
“ “ “ Alex. Murray,	“
“ “ “ Hon. Thos. Wood,	“
“ “ “ Christopher Stavely,	“
“ “ “ Stevens Baker,	“
“ “ “ Henry J. Pratten,	“
“ “ “ M. M. Tait,	“
“ “ “ James Addie,	“
“ “ “ H. D. Pickel,	“
“ “ “ Wm. McKenzie,	“
“ “ “ John Urquhart,	“
“ “ “ Alex. Chisholm,	P.G.S.W.
“ “ “ John Renshaw	P.G.J.W.
V. “ “ John Shaw,	P.P.G.S.W.
R. “ “ Edson Kemp,	P.G.Secy.
V. “ “ C. P. Taber,	P.G.R.
V. W. Bro. J. J. Barnard,	P.G.S.D.
R. W. Bro. J. J. Peavey,	P.G.S.W.
V. W. Bro. Geo. C. Bown,	P.G.S.

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R. W. Bro. Alex. Chisholm.	
“ “ “ John Urquhart, jr.	W. Bro. T. P. Butler.
“ “ “ N. McGregor.	“ “ Geo. C. Bown.
R. “ “ Wm. Miller.	R. “ “ J. H. Isaacson.
“ “ “ George Thompson.	“ “ “ Jas. O'Halloran.
V. W. Bro. John Alexander.	“ “ “ H. D. Pickel.

R. W. Bro. John Shaw.	R. W. Bro. James Addie.
" " " C. Staveley.	" " W. H. Cowhard.
" " " Stevens Baker.	" " S. E. Spencer.
" " " W. C. Baker.	" " S. R. Whitman.
" " " Thos. Wood.	" " S. M. Sansum.
" " " E. Kemp.	R. " " D. Boyd.
" " " G. H. Shufelt	" " A. Cameron.
" " " T. F. Wood.	R. " " E. Kemp.
" " " H. M. Hovey.	" " Edward H. Goff.
" " " C. S. Channel.	" " Geo. B. Baker.
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R. W. Bro. Henry J. Pratten.	R. " " Geo. O. Tyler.
V. W. Bro. E. Judge.	V. W. Bro. Wm. Young.
" " " E. A. Bourret.	" " " A. Schwob.
" " " H. Lecappelain.	" " " L. B. Warner.
" " " Norman VanAlstyne	R. W. Bro. H. W. Nye.
R. W. Bro. Thomas Milton.	" " B. Burland.
V. W. Bro. J. G. T. Cleghorn.	V. " " Geo. F. Durey.
M. W. Bro. J. H. Graham.	" " Thos. Allan.
" " " Henry Hughes.	V. " " H. Lecappelain.
" " " J. P. Martin.	R. " " J. P. Peavey.
" " " C. A. Rice.	V. W. Bro. A. D. Stevens.
" " " James Gibson.	M. W. Bro. Thos. White, jr.
R/W Bro. J. H. Stearns.	R. W. Bro. Wm. McKenzie.
" " " John Renshaw.	V. W. Bro. M. Lesser.
" " " David Wright.	R. W. Bro. F. M. Myers.
V. W. Bro. J. J. Barnard.	" " D. Ferguson.
R. W. Bro. E. M. Copeland.	" " L. C. Moore.
" " " H. M. Alexander	" " Chas. H. Walters.
" " " M. M. Tait.	" " F. Montagu Sowden.
" " " T. H. Cushing.	R. " " G. H. Borlase.
R. " " Frank Edgar.	M. W. Bro. Wm. B. Simpson.
" " " C. P. Taber.	" " James A. Hill.
	V. " " D. Galt.

A constitutional number of Lodges being represented in Grand Lodge, the R. W. the Grand Chaplain offered the following

OPENING PRAYER.

"Almighty God, Supreme Architect and Ruler of the Universe, we would come with reverence into Thy presence, and devoutly im-

plore Thy blessing upon our present communication. While we thank Thee for the prosperity which has attended our labors in the past, we ask that Thy continued favor may be upon us in the future.

"Give us a right judgment in all the matters which may be brought under our consideration, and may our decisions be such as Thy wisdom may approve, and Thy goodness prosper.

"Bless the Craft, wheresoever dispersed, make them true to Thee, their neighbors, and themselves; and finally receive them with us into Thy Eternal Temple of Light and Glory to dwell with Thee for evermore. Amen."

And the Grand Lodge of Quebec A. F. & A. M. was declared opened at High Twelve in *ample form*.

In accordance with the Constitution, a Committee on Credentials was named, and the Brethren immediately hereafter mentioned were reported as being present and duly qualified to take part in the business and proceedings of Grand Lodge during the present session:

Albion, Quebec City.

Thos. Fielding, W.M.

H. Paton, S.W.

W. Miller, P.D.D.G.M., P.M.

George Thompson, P.M.

John Alexander, P.M.

No. 1.

St. Johns, Quebec.

Wm Miller, P.M.

John Shaw, P.M., P.P.G.S.W.

W. J. Stanley, J.W.

Thos. G. Hunter, S.W.

Christopher Staveley, P.M., P.D.D.G.M.

No. 2.

Prevost, Dunham.

Stevens Baker, P.D.D.G.M.

W. C. Baker, P.M.

A. S. Kemp, J.W.

Thos. Wood, P.M., P.D.G.M.

Edson Kemp, P.M.

G. F. Shufelt, P.M.

T. F. Wood, P.M.

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- No. 3. *Nelson Lodge, St. Armand Station.*
 F. H. Throop, W.M.
 E. A. Bourret, P.M.
- No. 4. *Golden Rule, Stanstead.*
 H. M. Hovey, P.M.
 David Mellhiny, W.M.
 C. S. Channell, P.M.
- No. 5. *St. Andrew, Quebec City.*
 J. Dunbar, P.M., G.M.
 Henry Pratten, P.D.G.M., P.M.
 A. M. Farley, J.W.
 C. Judge, P.M.
- No. 6. *St. George, Montreal.*
 J. F. Raymore, W.M.
 H. Lecappelain, P.M.
 Norman VanAlstyne, P.M.
 Thos. Milton, P.M.
- No. 7. *Zetland, Montreal.*
 J. G. Cleghorn, W.M.
 Henry Dunne, S.W.
 S. E. Moss, W.M.
 J. H. Isaacson, P.M.
- No. 8. *Harrington, Quebec City.*
 Henry Hughes, P.M., Proxy.
- No. 9. *Hoyle, Lacolle.*
 Daniel Salt, W.M.
- No. 10. *St. Francis, Richmond.*
 M. Burnie, W.M.
 Barnwell, J.W.
 J. H. Graham, P.G.M. and P.M.

While we thank
 the past, we ask

may be brought
 Thy wisdom

and true to Thee,
 with us into
 the future for evermore.

was declared

and Credentials
 mentioned were
 a part in the
 the present

G.M.

- No. 11. *Victoria, Sherbrooke.*
D. Thomas, G.S.W., P.M,
George Presby.
G. H. Borlase, P.M.
- No. 12. *Stanbridge, Stanbridge.*
J. P. Martin, P.G.J.W., P.M.
C. A. Rice, P.G.J.W., P.M.
- No. 13. *Kilwinning, Montreal.*
J. S. Barrie, W.M.
Wm. Cuthbert, S.W.
James Gibson, P.M.
J. H. Stearns, P.D.D.G.M. and P.M.
John Renshaw, P.M.
David Wright, P.M.
- No. 14. *Clarenceville, Clarenceville.*
Not represented.
- No. 15. *Browne, West Farnham.*
C. P. Taber, W.M.
- No. 16. *Royal Albert, Montreal.*
J. J. Barnard, P.M.
Samuel Johnston, G.J., W.M.
E. M. Copeland, P.M.
H. M. Alexander, P.M., G. Treas. G.L. of Q.
M. M. Tait, P.M.
T. H. Cushing, P.M.
E. Holton, S.W.
Thos. Adcock, J.W.
F. Edgar, P.M., P.D.D.G.M.
- No. 17. *Victoria, Montreal.*
Chas. H. Walters, P.M.
T. P. Butler, P.M.
W. M. LeMessurier, W.M.

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Geo. C. Bown, P.M.
J. H. Isaacson, P.M.
A. G. Isaacson, S.W.

No. 18. *Milton, Three Rivers.*
F. F. Farmer, J.W.
Thos. Milton, P.M.
Geo. O. Tyler, D.D.G.M., P.M.

No. 19. *Tuscan, Levis.*
William Slater, S.W.
George Thompson, P.M., Proxy.

No. 20. *Ascot, Lennoxville.*
James Addie, W.M.; P.D.D.G.M.
Arthur F. Simpson, S.W.
J. H. Stearns, P.D.D.G.M. and P.M.

No. 21. *Ashlar, Coaticooke.*
W. H. Cowhard, P.M.

No. 22. *Frelighsburg, Frelighsburg.*
E. E. Spencer, P.M.
S. R. Whitman, P.M.
S. M. Sansum, P.M.

No. 23. *Doric, Danville.*
M. Lynch, W.M.
J. H. Stearns, P.D.D.G.M. and P.M.

No. 24. *Chateauguay, Huntingdon.*
Peter McFarlane, W.M.
D. Boyd, P.M.
A. Cameron, P.M.

No. 25. *Shawenegan, Three Rivers.*
John Turner, P.M., Proxy.
George O. Tyler, D.D.G.M., P.M.

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L. of Q.

- No. 26. *Abercorn, Abercorn.*
James Wiley, W.M.
H. L. Jaquays, P.M.
- No. 27. *Corner Stone, Cowansville.*
Edson Kemp, P.M., Proxy.
G. W. Webb, S.W.
Edward H. Goff, P.M.
George B. Baker, P.M.
- No. 28. *Clarke, Ormstown.*
Not represented.
- No. 29. *St. Charles, Point St. Charles.*
William Young, P.M., G.S.D.
George Crawford, W.M.
Thomas Milton, D.D.G.M., P.M.
- No. 30. *Cœurs Unis, Montreal.*
A. Boisseau, W.M.
Paul Belanger, S.W.
A. Schwob, P.M.
E. A. Bourret, P.M.
- No. 31. *Graham, Bolton Centre.*
A. A. Mooney, S.W.
- No. 32. *Excelsior, Actonvale.*
A. W. McEvilla, W.M.
L. B. Warner, P.M.
Joseph Pilon, J.W.
Henry W. Nye, P.M., G.C.
- No. 34. *Mount Oxford, Georgeville.*
N. A. Beach, W.M.
- No. 35. *St. George, Quebec.*
Martin Winn, W.M.

No. 36.

Burland, St. Johns.

B. Burland, W.M.
E. A. Bourret, P.M.

No. 37.

Prince Consort, Montreal.

C. Boon, W.M.
H. Brodie, S.W.
Jas. R. Whyte, J.W.
George T. Dury, P.M.

No. 38.

St Andrew's, Montreal.

Daniel Rose, W.M.
Thomas Allan, P.M.
John McLeod, S.W.

No. 39.

Ionic, Montreal.

Joseph Tees, W.M.
H. Lecappellain, P.M.
J. P. Peavy, P.M.
C. W. Woodford, J.W.

No. 40.

Lake Magog, Magog.

Not represented.

Antiquity, Montreal.

R. W. Bro. Alex. Chisholm, P.G.S.W.P.M.
H. J. Boswell, S.W.
John Urquhart, P.M., P.D.D.G.M.
A. McGregor, P.M.

Brome Lake, Knowlton.

H. D. Pickel, P.M., P.D.D.G.M.
R. E. Phelps, S.W.

Mount Royal, Montreal.

George W. Major, W.M.
W. Simpson Walker, S.W.

SIXTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION.

Royal Canadian, Sweetsburg.

Jas. O'Halloran, Proxy, D.G.M. and P.M.

H. D. Pickel, P.D.D.G.M. and P.M.

Chas. Reuter, W.M.

Yamaska, Granby.

James A. Hill, Proxy.

Aylmer, Aylmer.

Not represented.

Dorchester, St. John.

Not represented.

Eddy, Hull.

Geo. H. Millin, W.M.

Evening Star, Brigham.

James A. Hill, W.M., P.M.

Mount Moriah, Montreal.

John McLean, W.M.

Nelson, Phillipsburg.

Not represented.

Olive Branch, West Shefford.

Not represented.

Pontiac, Shawville.

Not represented.

Prevost, late C. R.

V. W. Bro. A. D. Stevens, M.D., Proxy, P.M.

Shefford, Waterloo.

Not represented.

St. George Montreal, late C. R.

H. E. Earle, W.M.
 Thos. White, jr., P.G.M., P.M.
 A. A. Boudreau, S.W.
 W. Mackenzie, P.D.G.M., P.M.
 M. Lesser, G.S., P.M.
 E. M. Myers, P.M.

St. John, Mansonville.

L. E. Moore, P.M., Proxy.

Sutton, Sutton Flats.

Not represented.

Union Strict Observance, Montreal.

John H. Jones, W.M.

Zetland, Montreal, late C. R.

John W. Mackie, S.W.
 D. Ferguson, P.M.
 W. St. Vincent, J.W.

St. John, U. D.

J. H. Isaacson, R.W.M.
 Charles H. Walters, P.M.
 T. B. Warren, S.W.
 Edward H. Goff, P.M.
 F. Montague Sowden, P.M.
 G. H. Borlase, P.M.
 W. B. Simpson, P.M.
 Alexander Murray, P.M.
 Thos. White, Jr., P.M.

VISITORS AT GRAND LODGE.

Sept. 22, 1875.

W. S. Pratt, Washington, No. 85, Albany, N. Y.
 A. H. VanDeusen, Mt. Vernon, No. 3, Albany, N. Y.
 S. Hirsch, St. Francis, No. 10, Richmond.

E. C. Barrow, St. Andrew's, Quebec.
 R. J. Scott, Milton.
 J. P. McPherson, Shegam.
 S. T. Duclos, Kilwinning, Montreal.
 D. Burnham Tracy, Kilwinning, Detroit, Michigan.
 Thomas D. King, P.M., 408, E.R.
 George E. Iamcather, P.M., Albion, No. 1, N.B.
 John McArthur, Lancaster, 207, C.R.
 Edward H. Rice, M.M., Massachusetts.
 W. A. Short, W.M., Federal L., No. 1, Washington, D.C.
 Thomas Simpson, Royal Albert, No. 16.
 Felix Shaw, Cataraqi, No. 92, G.R.C.
 George O. Edwards, Royal Albert, No. 6.
 M. P. Conner, Elgin Lodge, 348, Montreal.
 George McNicholl, 29 St. Charles.
 John Goudie, 38 St. Andrew's, Q.
 B. Dingle, 270, Cedar, Ont.
 W. H. Hall, 13 Kilwinning, Montreal.
 E. H. Twohey, 39, Ionic, Montreal.
 H. Melliny, 86, Doric, West Hoboken, U. S.
 L. Kellert, late St. George, E. 440.
 N. Friedman " " "
 H. Samuel " " "
 William Murray, Kilwinning, No. 13, Montreal.
 Joseph C. Collins, St. Andrew's, 38.
 Charles Cuiskelly, Prince Consort, 37, Montreal.
 T. Meadowcroft, " " " "
 R. Cunningham, " " " "
 H. S. Lomas, St. Charles, 27, Montreal.
 Malcolm Monson, St. George, 19.
 J. R. Thomson, Victoria, 17.
 David R. McCord, St. Paul's, 374, E.R.
 R. Hall, Eddy, 298.
 George T. Smithers, P.M., Lodge St. Mark, Nova Scotia.
 Joseph Patton, No. 37, Prince Consort's.

The M. W. the Grand Master was pleased to direct that all
 Brethren being Master Masons in good standing and properly

vouched for be admitted as visitors during the present Communication of Grand Lodge.

Printed forms of the order of business to be submitted to Grand Lodge, as provided by the Grand Secretary, were distributed amongst the members of Grand Lodge.

The rules and regulations for the government of Grand Lodge were, by the direction of the M. W. the Grand Master read by the Grand Secretary.

The Grand Secretary proceeding to read the minutes of last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, it was moved by R. W. Bro. J. H. Stearns, seconded by R. W. Bro. H. M. Alexander, and

Resolved,—That the minutes of the proceedings of this Grand Lodge, held in September, 1874, having been printed and distributed amongst the Lodges, the same be considered as read, and they are hereby confirmed.

The following letter from R. W. Bro. E. M. Myers, of the *Canadian Masonic News*, was read :—

J. H. ISAACSON, Esq.,

Grand Secretary Grand Lodge of Quebec.

DEAR SIR AND R. W. BRO. :

Will you kindly accept, and present to Grand Lodge, the accompanying 200 copies of this month's edition of the *Canadian Masonic News*, which I have had printed for the use of the Delegates and Representatives attending the Annual Communication.

With sincere fraternal regards,

I am, Dear Sir and R. W. Bro.,

Faithfully yours,

E. M. MYERS.

It being then 1.30 p.m., Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment, to resume work at 2.30 p.m.

At 2.30 p.m., Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor.

Officers and members as in the morning session.

The Grand Chaplain besought a blessing from the G. A. O. T. U.

The Grand Representatives of Foreign Grand Lodges were introduced and received with grand honors.

The M. W. Grand Master then delivered the following address :

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the Province of Quebec.

BRETHREN,—In opening the Sixth Annual Communication, on the day fixed by the Constitution, it is my pleasing duty to congratulate you upon the steady progress and continued prosperity of this Grand Lodge. Five more Grand Lodges have established fraternal communication with us during the past year, making in all forty-three Grand Lodges by which this is recognized as the sovereign Masonic authority in and for the Province of Quebec. We have now sixty lodges and more than three thousand members in good standing under our jurisdiction.

Two important events in the history of Masonry have occurred since our last meeting. The first was the installation, in the month of April, of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales as Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Freemasons of England. This ceremony took place under circumstances of unsurpassed splendor, in the presence of 8,000 brethren. In this Dominion, and especially in this Province, where His Royal Highness Prince Edward, Duke of Kent, the grandfather of the Prince of Wales, honored the Fraternity by accepting the office of first Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master of Masons in Lower Canada, the announcement that the Heir Apparent to the Throne of the great British Empire had openly patronized our mysteries and joined our assemblies, was received with feelings of peculiar gratification and pride. It affords the highest testimony to the merits of our Society, and is the best answer to those who endeavor to traduce and detract from it, not knowing its legitimate objects or benefits. That auspicious occasion enabled Most Worshipful brother the Earl of Carnarvon, Secretary of State for the Colonies, thus to speak : "Freemasonry presents many titles to respect, even in the eyes of the outer world. It is, first, of great antiquity—an antiquity extending into the sphere of immemorial tradition; secondly, it is known and practised in every country, in every clime, by every race of civilized men; and, lastly, in this country, above all, it has associated itself with human sympathies and charitable institutions. Let me say further that, while it has changed its character in some respects, it has lost nothing which can claim the respect of men who formerly, through the dim periods of the middle ages, carved its records upon the public buildings, upon tracery of the mediæval windows, or the ornamentation of palaces. Now it is content to devote itself to works of sympathy and charity, and in them it finds its highest praise and reward. Let me draw one further distinction, and that is an important one. In some other countries it has been unfortunately the lot of Freemasonry to find itself allied with faction and intrigue, with what I may call the darker side of politics. In England it has been signally the reverse. Now the Craft here has allied itself with social order and the great institutions of the country, and, above all, with monarchy, the crowning institution of them all." His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales also stated in unmistakable terms his opinion of the Craft, saying : "It is difficult for me to find words adequately to express my deep thanks for the high honor that has been bestowed upon me—an honor which has already been bestowed on several members of my family, my predecessors—and, brethren, in whose footsteps it will always be my most ardent and sincere wish to walk, and by God's help to fulfil the duties of the high office to which I have been called to-day in the same way that my illustrious predecessors fulfilled them. It would, brethren, I feel sure, be useless for me,

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at a moment like this, to recapitulate anything which has been so ably told you by the Pro. Grand Master relative to Freemasonry. Every Englishman knows that the two watchwords of the Craft are 'Loyalty' and 'Charity.' As long as these are our watchwords, and as long as Freemasonry keeps itself from being mixed up with politics, so long will, I am sure, this great and ancient order flourish, and its benign influences tend to maintain the integrity of this great Empire." I make these extracts of words advisedly spoken, because much misapprehension exists in this Province as to what Freemasonry really means under our system. We know it inculcates the practice of every social and moral virtue, and conduces to make all those honorable who are strictly obedient to its precepts. Let us so act then that, if its credit cannot be advanced with the prejudiced, it will not be lessened by us who belong to the Order.

The formal dedication of the Masonic Temple in New York on the 2nd of June was the second memorable event. It was one of the most imposing displays in the history of Masonry in America. The procession on that occasion was probably the largest parade of the kind ever witnessed on this side of the Atlantic, about 23,000 Masons being in line. As observed by a leading New York newspaper (*The World*), at the time, "It would not be easy to surpass from the whole census of the Union, it would be impossible, we should say, to surpass from the lists of any given commonwealth or of any particular class and calling of men in any commonwealth in the Union, the general average of visible health, strength, decency and intelligence presented by the twenty-five or thirty thousand 'free and accepted Masons,' Knights Templars and what not, who were gathered together from all quarters of the country." And another organ of public opinion in the same city (*The Herald*) remarks: "The American people will be slow to believe that an Order of which Washington was a zealous member has any aims inconsistent with public or private virtue. There must be some merit in an institution which had attractions for a man of his solid understanding and moral worth. His name alone would render Masonry respectable; but a large proportion of the illustrious men whom American citizens delight to honor were also Masons; Lafayette was a Mason; Andrew Jackson and Henry Clay were Masons. We should make a long catalogue indeed if we were to insert all the names of illustrious patriots who belonged to this fraternity. We know no reason for thinking that the order has degenerated since those men belonged to it. Nobody could have scanned the faces of the several commanderies which marched up Broadway yesterday evening just as the sun was setting without recognizing in their lineaments intelligence and moral worth, which stamped them as men of sincerity and probity. We have never looked out at a procession which had a larger proportion of honest, intelligent faces." These citations are made to show how Freemasonry is regarded on this side of the Atlantic, as I have already shown how it is in England.

The magnificent Temple erected in New York cost about a million of dollars, is an ornament to the city, and a lasting monument to the enterprise of our Brethren there. As one honored with an invitation to be present at the dedication ceremonies, I can never forget the demonstration, nor the civilities extended to the Grand Secretary and myself.

Early in the year official communication was received of the decease of Judge William Mercer Wilson, LL.D., Grand Master of Masons in the Province of Ontario. I at once directed that the Lodges under this jurisdiction should go into mourning for the great loss sustained by the death of the Grand Master of the sister Province, who was well known to most of the brethren here present as a venerated and zealous Mason. In 1855 he was

elected as first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, and occupied the chair for five years, retiring in 1860, but being again elected in 1866, he sat for two years, when in consequence of a judicial appointment, he declined to offer himself for re-election. He was in 1872, however, prevailed upon to preside over the Order, and consented, and was re-elected in 1872 and 1873 and last year, remaining in office until his death. His eminence in the Order is evidenced by the fact that a Masonic district and several Lodges in Ontario bear his name. Anxious to do all in his power for the promotion of harmony in the Craft,—whose first motto is brotherly love—his name will long be treasured in our memories, in connection with the difficulties with which the formation of our Grand Lodge was attended, as the great peace-maker of Masonic Canada. We know what is the reward of those who act in this wise, and let us hope that when we have fulfilled our earthly destiny we may have the equal consummation of our wishes in seeing lowering clouds disappear, and knowing that our hand helped them to melt away beneath similar benign influences. I have no doubt the Grand Lodge will express its sympathy to its sister Grand Lodge by passing a vote of condolence on the death of their Grand Master.

We were again called upon in May to regard the uncertainty of human life in the demise of one whose face was still more familiar in our own Grand Lodge. I refer to Right Worshipful Brother M. R. Meigs, M.D., Past District Deputy Grand Master of the Bedford District. No one who like myself has attended the meetings of Grand Lodge since its formation, or of the Board of General Purposes or the several Committees of Conference, can ever forget the unwearying interest, the straightforward line of conduct, and the ability manifested by this brother. His unremitting exertions to promote and extend the interest and welfare of the Grand Lodge of Quebec should receive our warmest acknowledgments of gratitude, and Grand Lodge cannot but offer to his young widow the assurance of its deep sympathy and condolence in the severe loss which she has sustained. The obituary of the year includes among other less prominent brethren, Vicomte de Ponte Ferreira, Past Grand Master of Hungary, a very faithful member of the Craft under trying circumstances.

The Grand Lodges which, since the last communication, have been officially announced to be in correspondence with our Grand Lodge are: Maryland, Ireland, Minnesota, New Jersey and Florida. The following is a list of my appointments of representatives of this Grand Lodge to them:—R. W. Bro. Tyson, of Baltimore, near the Grand Lodge of Maryland; V. W. Bro. George Hill Major, near the Grand Lodge of Ireland; R. W. Bro. E. D. Porter, near the Grand Lodge of Minnesota; R. W. Bro. George B. Edwards, of Jersey City Heights, near the Grand Lodge of New Jersey; and R. W. Bro. William Taylor, near the Grand Lodge of Florida. I have recommended as Grand Representatives of these Grand Lodges near Quebec: R. W. Bro. E. M. Copeland, for Maryland; R. W. Bro. Benjamin Burland, of St. John's for Ireland; R. W. Bro. William Nivin, for Minnesota; R. W. Bro. H. D. Pickel, for New Jersey; and R. W. Bro. Thomas Allen, of St. Andrew's Lodge, Montreal, for Florida.

In April last a letter was received from the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of England, informing us that at its Quarterly Communication of the 3rd March, on the recommendation of the M. W. Grand Master, the following resolution was unanimously passed:

"The M. W. Grand Master has received official information from the Hon. Sir John Macdonald, K.C.B., the representative of this Grand Lodge at the Grand Lodge of Canada, that the difficulties subsisting between the

latter and the newly formed Grand Lodge of Quebec, have been happily adjusted, and the Grand Lodge of Quebec recognized by the Grand Lodge of Canada. The M. W. Grand Master, therefore, having in view the various applications from the Grand Lodge of Quebec for recognition, and interchange of representatives, which could not be entertained until the above mentioned difficulties were settled, now recommends Grand Lodge to accede to the wishes of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, on the same conditions as were agreed to by the Grand Lodge of Canada, viz., that the Grand Lodge of England agrees not to grant any new warrants within the Province of Quebec, but that the three Lodges still working under English warrants within that Province, shall continue to do so as long as they desire to retain their allegiance to the Grand Lodge of England.

"*Resolved*.—That the recommendation of the M. W. Grand Master be adopted and the Grand Lodge of Quebec acknowledged on the conditions referred to, and that the Grand Secretary be directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Grand Lodge of Quebec."

I commend this communication and other correspondence on the subject to your careful consideration. I shall be sorry if any rigid or uncompromising ideas as to exclusive jurisdiction in this Province (as to which I am and always have been fully alive,) delay the laying of the capstone of Masonic recognition. Twenty years ago when the Grand Lodge of Canada was formally recognized by the Grand Lodge of England, similar terms were proposed and accepted and have since been submitted to. I am in favor of leaving it to time, rather than to immediate coercion to bring into our ranks the few lodges in this Province now working under other jurisdictions. Let the advantage of belonging to the Grand Lodge of the country of one's adoption or birth—duly recognized as such by all other Masonic bodies,—be made apparent, and I have no doubt how properly constituted minds will choose.

The proceedings of the organization of Grand Lodges for Manitoba and Prince Edward Island, as Provinces of the Dominion, will be submitted to you, and if found in accordance with the ancient usages and landmarks of the Order those bodies are entitled to recognition as regularly constituted Grand Lodges.

The only dispensation which I have granted for opening a new Lodge is that for St. John's Lodge, Montreal, the petition for which was strongly recommended. From the standing in the Craft of those engaged in its formation I am sure the work has been carried on in such manner as will enable Grand Lodge to issue a warrant of confirmation.

The sub-division of Masonic districts is well worthy your consideration. It seems to me that some districts, such as Montreal, which now includes Lodges in Hull, Aylmer and Shawville, on the border of Ontario, and in Huntingdon and Ormstown, near the frontier, might well be rearranged so as to render it less difficult for the District Deputy Grand Master to visit the Lodges in his district.

No less than seven notices of motion to amend the Constitution have been given for this session. These are of more or less importance, but whether adopted or not I recommend that as the Book of Constitution is out of print it be republished with such amendments as Grand Lodge shall deem it necessary to make.

The desirability of an amalgamation of the duplicate Lodges at present existing has often presented itself to my mind, and I hope all brethren

interested will concur with me in regarding this as the shortest and most certain way of putting an end to conflicting claims for property, now being made or held in abeyance.

The attendance of the Grand Secretary and myself at the dedication ceremonies at New York, the more recent dedication of the new Temple at Albany, and the laying the foundation stone of a new Masonic Hall at Halifax, Nova Scotia, impress me with the conviction that the time has arrived when I should urge the erection of a Masonic Temple in Montreal. The necessity of a lasting home for our Grand Lodge is apparent, and I am confident it requires only to be brought prominently under your notice to secure the requisite funds to purchase the building lot (for which I am told the times are favorable) and to start the project.

While awaiting the erection of such an edifice it would be conducive to a knowledge of all that appertains to our Craft were our Grand Lodge to have a library such as most other Grand Lodges possess. A step has been made in the way of Masonic literature by the publication of *The Canadian Masonic News*, which well deserves the patronage of all readers of what is interesting to the Fraternity; and I bespeak for it and for the suggestions I have just made, the consideration which I believe they merit.

I am glad to say that during my administration of the office of Grand Master I have not had submitted to me for decision any matter requiring my direct interference. I am compelled to remind brethren that all matters of Masonic complaint and jurisprudence should by the Constitution be referred through the Grand Secretary, and that his opinion, however valuable, is not that to which official weight is attached. The District Deputy Grand Master is the direct channel of communication in such matters.

Shortly after the last Communication of Grand Lodge, the following old jewels were presented by our esteemed Most Worshipful Brother Harington, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Quebec near the Grand Lodge of Canada: 1st, Square—the gift of H. R. H. Prince Edward, Duke of Kent, father of our Queen; 2nd, Key—the gift of Prince William Henry, Duke of Clarence, and William the Fourth. I now lay these relics before you, and I am sure they will be carefully preserved, both out of regard to their original and illustrious donors, and to him who has now given them to us.

The Grand Lodge Regalia, the purchase of which was authorized at the annual communication of 1873, has at last arrived and enabled the officers and brethren to appear in their proper jewels and clothing. I am informed it has cost £200 sterling, but it was an indispensable outlay.

In terminating this address I am bound to acknowledge the great assistance I have received in the discharge of my office from the Deputy Grand Master, who has been most attentive to his duties as President of the Board of General Purposes, and from our experienced and indefatigable Grand Secretary and our very careful Grand Treasurer.

And now, Brethren, having thus briefly brought before you the various subjects likely to engage your attention during the present Communication of Grand Lodge, it only remains for me to express the hope that whatever be your decisions all things may be settled upon such sure foundation that none of us may have cause hereafter to regret any of our proceedings, and

that all may return to their homes conscious of having done their duty towards this venerable institution.

May our labors thus begun in order, be conducted in peace and closed in harmony.

J. DUNBAR,
Grand Master.

It was then moved by R. W. Bro. James O'Halloran, D.G.M., seconded by R. W. Bro. Hon. Thos. Wood, and

Resolved,—That the very able address of the M. W. the Grand Master, just delivered to this Grand Lodge, be referred to the Board of General Purposes to report thereon as soon as possible.

R. W. Bro. O'Halloran, D.G.M., President of the Board of General Purposes, submitted the following report:

To the M. Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Quebec.

The Board of General Purposes beg leave to present this their first report.

Your Board having taken into consideration the able and instructive address of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, delivered at the opening of the present Communication, are gratified to find the prosperous condition of our Order, and congratulate our brethren on the healthy progress of our Craft in this Province.

With reference to that portion of the address referring to the conditions offered by the Grand Lodge of England in regard to the recognition of this Grand Lodge, your Board have unanimously agreed to refer the same back to Grand Lodge for such action to be taken thereon as Grand Lodge in its wisdom may determine.

The whole respectfully submitted.

JAMES O'HALLORAN,
P. B. G. P.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. H. M. Alexander, seconded by R. W. Bro. John Renshaw,

That the report just read be received and adopted.

The motion was carried.

The Grand Secretary, in reply to the M. W. the Grand Master, announced that he had received no report from the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, of which the Rev. Bro. Reid, P. G. Chaplain, was Chairman.

The Grand Secretary in explanation stated that R. W. Bro. Reid had only consented at a late period of the past year to accept the position of Chairman of this Committee, and it was feared that the Rev. and R. W. Bro. had not had sufficient time to prepare a report.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

M. W. Bro. Thomas White, jr., gave notice that at the next annual meeting of this Grand Lodge he would move,

That Article 17 of the Book of Constitutions, relating to the place of meeting of Grand Lodge be amended by striking out the words "at Montreal" in the third line, and substituting therefor the words "alternately at the cities of Montreal and Quebec."

R. W. Bro. Alexander Murray gave notice, that at the next annual meeting of Grand Lodge he would offer the following motion :

That a clause be added to the Constitution of this Grand Lodge, restricting the rites of Masonic burial to officers of Grand Lodge, Past Grand Officers, Past Masters and actual Masters and Officers of Masonic Lodges only, except by special dispensation from the District Deputy Grand Master, previously obtained.

W. Bro. Woodford gave notice that he would, at the next Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge, move,

That no Mason shall belong to more than one Lodge at the same time (except he be an honorary member, as provided for by the Constitution). This, however, not to apply to brethren who are members of more than one Lodge at the time of passing this resolution.

Any member of a Lodge wishing to affiliate with another Lodge, must present his application in the usual form, and if his application be accepted in said Lodge, his membership shall remain in abeyance until his demit from the former Lodge to which he belonged is surrendered to the last mentioned Lodge, when he shall become a full member.

The following reports from the District Deputy Grand Masters were read, received, and referred *seriatim* to the Board of General purposes:

MONTREAL DISTRICT.

To the M. W. Grand Master and Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Quebec :

In conformity with the requirements of the Constitution, I submit my report on the condition of Masonry in the District of Montreal.

The Lodges in this district working under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge are 22 in number, including St. John's Lodge under dispensation.

It gives me great pleasure to report that these Lodges with one or two exceptions are in good working order, the majority of them are prospering well, the brethren are busily employed in adding fresh material to our Masonic structure, and from the number of notifications I have received of persons being rejected as not being the kind of material required I have every reason to believe they are careful in their selection.

The work generally speaking is well executed, the Masters and Officers attentive to their duties, and the majority of the Lodges well attended by the members; there is one requisite, however, which would be of great benefit, and which I would respectfully recommend to Grand Lodge to speedily obtain—that is, a regularly authorized and established Ritual for the instruction and guidance of the brethren; there is a great diversity of work in the

Lodges of this district, which sometimes creates confusion and is detrimental to the proper instruction of the brethren.

I regret very much that I am compelled to recommend the withdrawal of the warrant of Clarke Lodge, Ormstown, No. 28, which has made no returns to Grand Lodge since 1873, and then only one initiation was returned with nineteen members on the roll; it has had since then only three meetings, at two of which I have had to preside; the last time I visited this Lodge was in August last, having previously notified the W. Master that I would visit officially, but it was a failure, as only the W. Master and one member made their appearance; the books of the Lodge, however, are in good order, and I believe there is sufficient money in the hands of the Treasurer to pay Grand Lodge dues and other expenses.

Hoyle Lodge, Lacolle, No. 9, has also been in a dormant state for some time. I have visited this Lodge twice this year; the first time I was accompanied and ably assisted by the R.W. Grand Secretary; the second time by the Grand Senior Deacon, V. W. Bro. Wm. Young, who ably assisted me to install the newly elected Officers; the newly installed W. Master (W. Bro. Daniel Salt,) is one of the oldest and best instructed members of the Lodge; I therefore believe that under his guidance the Lodge will again prosper.

I am also sorry to report that Zetland Lodge, late C.R., has been placed in a very distressing and precarious position by the mismanagement, misconduct, and desertion of the W. Master, W. Bro. J. G. A. Leblanc; this Bro., after having defrauded certain brethren, absconded from this city, leaving the affairs of the Lodge in a state of great confusion. About the same time a complaint was made to me by Bro. George Mason, of St. Mark's Lodge, Glasgow, Scotland, then residing in this city, against Bro. J. G. A. Leblanc, he having as Bro. Mason alleged defrauded him and his employers of goods to the value of four hundred pounds twelve shillings stg.; on investigation, I found the complaint was substantiated by the evidence of Bro. J. V. Morgan, of St. Paul's Lodge, of this city, and of W. Bro. John Street, Past Master of St. George's Lodge, late C. R. I therefore considered it my duty to suspend Bro. J. G. A. Leblanc from all Masonic rights and privileges, until such time as Grand Lodge should take action in the case. This Lodge, though labouring under difficulties, its books and papers missing, and its members disheartened, continued to meet and work under the management of the immediate Past Master and wardens, who deserve great credit for their energy and perseverance. The books and papers of the Lodge I am informed are in the hands of the Secretary, Bro. James Anderson, who will neither attend the Lodge nor give them up. I have therefore to request that action be taken by Grand Lodge against Bro. James Anderson, with the view of obtaining the books and papers of Zetland Lodge.

In the case of Mrs. Leitchfield, whose application for relief was laid before the Board of General Purposes at the meeting of the Board in March last, and referred to me for consideration, with the recommendation that assistance should be obtained for her if possible from the Lodges in this City. I have to report that I directed a circular to be issued to all the Lodges in this city, requesting them to donate a small portion of their funds towards her relief, but few answered to the call, and twenty dollars is all that she has yet received; the lady is in great want of assistance, and something should be immediately done in her behalf, but considering the circumstances, I would beg leave to state that this is not a case for the Montreal Lodges alone; the late husband of Mrs. Leitchfield was not a mem-

ber of any Lodge in this Province, nor had she resided in this City previous to her husband's decease; he was a member I believe of a Lodge in England, and affiliated with a Lodge in Ontario; it would be wise therefore for this Grand Lodge to apply to the Grand Lodges of England and Canada in her behalf, and in the meantime to relieve her from the benevolent fund of this Grand Lodge, failing which to levy a small tax on all the Lodges in the Province to supply her immediate wants.

The M. W. Grand Master was pleased to grant to R. W. Bro. J. H. Isaacson and other influential and able brethren of this city, a dispensation to form a new Lodge to be called St. John's Lodge, and I have great pleasure in recommending that a warrant of confirmation be granted to this Lodge by the M. W. Grand Lodge at its present session.

The usual dispensations were granted to several of the Lodges to wear Masonic regalia on the occasion of the festival of St. John the Evangelist, to Royal Albert Lodge to wear Masonic clothing on the occasion of their annual Ball, and to several brethren Masters of Lodges, to allow the brethren to wear Masonic regalia at the general Masonic Pic-Nic held at Chambly in August last. I also granted a dispensation to St. Charles No. 29, to confer the second and third degrees on five brethren named in the returns of that Lodge, sea going mariners, at a less interval than one month, as provided for in page 59 book of constitution.

It yet remains for me to say a few words regarding the Lodges in this city working under foreign jurisdictions; there are three Lodges working under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of England,—St. Paul's, St. George's, and St. Lawrence,—and one, the Elgin Lodge, working under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

These Lodges continue to work with all the spirit and energy if not with the precision and regularity of our own Lodges. They are in our midst as it were without any one to supervise them, without any one to guide them, they are, one might almost say, Grand Lodges of themselves, for as far as their respective Grand Lodges are concerned they know nothing of how the business of the Lodge is conducted, how the work is performed, they know nothing of the general feeling of the members regarding the Grand Lodge of the Province in the midst of which they are at work, or what injury may be caused by them to the craft in general and to this Grand Lodge in particular.

These Lodges are governed solely by the W. Masters elected to preside over them. Be they wise, prudent, and discreet then the Lodges will prosper, be they differently disposed, then the reverse will be the consequence, and we as a Grand Lodge have no power to control them. The Grand Lodge of Quebec is looked to by the Grand Lodges of the world to see that the honor, reputation and usefulness of the craft is maintained in our Province. We are expected to fully maintain the principles and increase the prosperity and happiness of our order in the Territory over which we have been permitted to have Masonic jurisdiction and yet we have amongst us brethren over whom we have no control, brethren over whom we can exercise no power for good, should they be inclined to do evil, who are of us and yet not with us, who are our brethren and receive all the rights and privileges as such and yet unwittingly I trust, do us and themselves injury, who give us no support but rather discouragement, and who prefer to contribute to the maintainance of a Grand Lodge three thousand miles away rather than support the Grand Lodge of their own Province.

Some of us know full well how tender yet how strong are the ties which

bind one to the land from which he derives his birth and infant nurture, but a large number of the members of these Lodges (I might say the majority of them) were not born in England or Scotland they are natives of this Province, and even those of them who are not natives of this Province are equally bound to do nothing detrimental to the highest interests of the Craft in the land of their residence or adoption

M. W. Grand Master and brethren of the Grand Lodge the time has arrived when those brethren should be awakened to a knowledge of their error.

It lies with this Grand Lodge to say whether such a state of things will continue. It is a duty this Grand Lodge owes to itself, to the Grand Lodges who have given it their countenance and support, to the whole fraternity wheresoever disposed to assert its right to undivided supremacy and exclusive Masonic jurisdiction within the Province of Quebec.

The whole most respectfully submitted,

THOS. MILTON,

D. D. G. M. Montreal District.

QUEBEC AND THREE RIVERS DISTRICT.

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Lodge of Quebec, in Grand Lodge assembled.

It affords me much pleasure to report, that peace and harmony prevail throughout the District over which I have been called to preside; and so far as I have been able to ascertain, a fair share of prosperity has been enjoyed by the different Lodges during the past Masonic year.

I regret to announce that the messenger of death has again visited our camp, another tried and faithful brother has been called to his long home, another worker has entered the Grand Lodge above, there to receive the full rewards of his labor.

V. W. BRO. JAMES RAYNOR

than whom we have never had a more zealous mason or a more indefatigable worker in the good cause, died after a painful and lingering illness at Three Rivers on the 19th of February last. He was buried with Masonic honors by the brethren of Shawenegan and Milton Lodges.

Amongst the many instances of his zeal and love for Masonry I may mention that he took an active part in the organization of Milton Lodge, of which he was a charter member.

His memory is revered, his good deeds are not forgotten, and his presence will be sadly missed by a wide circle of friends who mourn his loss.

I would suggest the propriety of inscribing a page in Grand Lodge proceedings in memory of our departed brother.

An unusual press of private business, (and at one time sickness) necessitated frequent absences from home which have prevented my visiting the various Lodges of this District to the extent I could have wished.

The number and names of the Lodges in my jurisdiction remain unchanged, namely, Albion No. 0, St. John No. 1, St. Andrew No. 5,

Harington No. 8, St. George No. 35, all in Quebec city; Tuscan No. 19, in South Quebec, Milton No. 18 and Shawenegan No. 25, at Three Rivers.

I would urge upon the M. W. Grand Lodge, to take some action towards procuring *uniformity of Ritual*, for whilst the work in each and every case is well performed, yet I cannot but deplore, that the conferring of Degrees and attendant ceremonial should be, (as is too frequently the case) left to the option of the W. M. for the time being.

No business of special importance has called for my official interference, nor have I heard of any complaints in my district.

I have exchanged fraternal correspondence with most of the Lodges, and have had the honor of being specially invited to be present and install the officers of St. John Lodge No. 1; a pleasure I was unwillingly obliged to decline, being called away from home at the time on business of special importance.

To Milton and Shawenegan Lodges of Three Rivers, and Tuscan of South Quebec, I return my sincere thanks for courtesies extended.

In conclusion allow me to return my best thanks for the honor conferred upon me in being elected to the office of D. D. G. M., of this important District, the duties of which office I fear have been by me but very imperfectly performed.

Respectfully submitted GEO. O. TYLER,
D. D. G. M., Quebec and Three Rivers District.

ST. FRANCIS DISTRICT.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Quebec.

In accordance with the requirements of the constitution I herewith submit the following report on the condition of Masonry in St. Francis District.

There are now nine regular Lodges in this District, but owing to the great extent of country over which they are scattered I have not been able to visit them all, but from what I can learn, I have every reason to believe they are all prospering.

On the seventh of May last I had the pleasure of constituting Lake Magog Lodge, and installing their officers, the warrant having been granted by this Grand Lodge at its last Annual Communication, and I have rarely visited a lodge where all its members manifested so lively an interest.

I granted a dispensation to St. Francis Lodge to wear Masonic clothing on the occasion of the Festival of St. John the Evangelist held at Danville, also to install their officers in Doric Lodge.

I am requested by Rev. Bro. Wurtelé of Acton Vale to call your attention to an application for assistance to the widow and children of our late Bro. Henderson of Acton Vale, laid before you by Rt. Worshipful Bro. Addie in his official report.

In conclusion I beg to thank the Brethren of St. Francis District for the kindness and assistance extended to me during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

W. SLEEPER, D. D. G. M.
St. Francis District.

BEDFORD DISTRICT.

To the M. W. Grand Master and Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Quebec.

I regret that circumstances altogether personal to myself have prevented me from visiting all the lodges in my District, which fact deters me from officially reporting the general Masonic harmony and progress which I have every reason to know and believe prevail within its limits.

There are now some twenty lodges actively in operation in Bedford District, scattered over a large and populous section of the Province; and I earnestly recommend to Grand Lodge the desirability of taking the steps requisite for a division of this important District so as to ensure that careful supervision which is now almost impossible.

Since Grand Lodge last met, two of the most active and distinguished members of the fraternity in Bedford District have been summoned to their last resting place, R. W. Bro. Dr. Meigs and W. Bro. Dr. Browne. In the death of the former brother Freemasonry in this Province lost one of its most earnest friends and staunch supporters; and I am sure that his memory will be long and fondly cherished by all who had fraternal intercourse with him in the several positions of honor and responsibility which he successively held in connection with this Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

M. M. LYNCH, D. D. P. G.

Bedford District.

The Grand Secretary's report was read, and on motion of M. W. Bro. White, seconded by R. W. Bro. Wm. Miller, received and ordered to be placed on file.

V. W. Bro. Judge then moved, seconded by R. W. Bro. Thomas Wood,

That the election of officers for this Grand Lodge for the ensuing Masonic year take place at 11 a.m. on the morrow, 24th instant.

R. W. Bro. E. M. Myers moved in amendment, seconded by R. W. Bro. Milton,

That the consideration of the motion just offered stand over until this evening's session.

The amendment was first put and carried, the vote being:

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Communications from M. W. Bros. Bernard and A. A. Stevenson, and R. W. Bro. Gutman, were read by the Grand Secretary, regretting their inability to attend the present Communication of Grand Lodge.

R. W. Bro. Miller, in pursuance of his notice of motion, given at the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, then moved,

That Article III, "Of Proposing Members," page 49 of the Constitution of this Grand Lodge, be erased from the said Book of Constitution.

Also,

That all words after "Mason" in the first line of Article II., "Of Proposing Members," page 48 of Constitution of Grand Lodge of Quebec, to the word "until" in the fifth line of said Article, be struck out.

After debate on these motions, in which R. W. Bros. Miller, Edgar, Kemp, Renshaw, and Bros. Lecappelain, Shaw, Rose and Lesser took part, they were, by consent of the M. W. the Grand Master and the Grand Lodge, withdrawn.

V. W. Bro. Judge, pursuant to notice, then moved,

That Article XVII. "Of the Grand Lodge," page 17, be amended by substituting for the words "fourth Wednesday in September," the words "second Wednesday in January."

After discussion, the motion was put to Grand Lodge and lost.

The Board of General Purposes, through its R. W. President made the following report:

The Board of General Purposes beg to report,

That its semi-annual meeting was held at Sherbrooke on 24th March last, there being present thereat only the following members, viz.:

R. W. Bro. O'Halloran,	D. G. M.,—President
" " " D. Thomas	
" " " Wm. Miller	
" " " J. B. Charleson	
" " " W. McKenzie.	

R. W. Bro. Thomas, G. S. W. was elected Vice-President.

The sum of twenty-five dollars was voted in aid of Mrs. Johnston.

The application of the Grand Lodge of Wyoming for recognition and fraternal intercourse was favourably entertained and the Board recommended its recognition by Grand Lodge.

Twenty-five dollars was voted in aid of Bro. Elder, and fifty dollars to assist Mrs. Galer.

The Board recommended that the printing of the Book of Constitution should not be proceeded with until after the meeting of G. L. in September next.

The Board recommended that the safe, the property of Grand Lodge be sold.

The Board directed the Grand Secretary to hire fitting premises wherein to transact the business of Grand Lodge at a rent not to exceed \$120.00 and to furnish the same.

The Board recommend the payment of actual expenses of its members attending its meetings.

The Grand Secretary was instructed to take the necessary steps to carry out the vote of Grand Lodge in regard to Grand Lodge regalia.

In view of the fact of the continual non-attendance of the members of

the Board at the semi-annual meetings it is recommended that all meetings of the Board in future be held at the same place where Grand Lodge meets. The whole respectfully submitted.

JAS. O'HALLORAN, P. B. G. P.

On motion of R. W. Bro. J. H. Allan, seconded by R. W. Bro. Renshaw, the report was received and adopted.

The Grand Secretary, by direction of the Grand Master, then read the correspondence had with the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland and Scotland, relative to the recognition by those bodies of this Grand Lodge.

The M. W. the Grand Master congratulated Grand Lodge upon its unconditional recognition by the Grand Lodge of Ireland, and announced that the first business of this evening's session would be the consideration of the terms of recognition of this Grand Lodge, offered by the Grand Lodge of England.

The following notice of motion given at last meeting of Grand Lodge was dropped, owing to the absence of Bro. Smith:

That an amendment to the note to the 4th Clause of the Constitution relating to the election of officers, to the effect that hereafter every Past Master shall be entitled to a vote independent of any other position he may hold in his Lodge.

R. W. Bro. Myers then moved, seconded by Bro. Woodworth, the following motion, of which he had given notice at the last meeting of Grand Lodge,

That paragraph 10 on page 16 of the Constitution, under the heading of Grand Lodge, be amended as follows:

That the words "all the votes present" be struck out, and the words "votes of all brethren present, qualified to vote" be inserted in their stead.

The motion was put to Grand Lodge and lost, as also was the motion of the Grand Chaplain, seconded by the D. G. M.:

That Article 10, page 16, of the Constitution be amended by striking out the word "present," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "cast."

At this stage of the business, M. W. Bro. W. B. Simpson entered Grand Lodge, and was received with grand honors.

On motion of R. W. Bro. James O'Halloran, seconded by R. W. Bro. Edson Kemp, it was

Resolved,—That the election of officers be the order of business at 11 o'clock on the morrow morning, then to have preference over all other business, unless it be unfinished business.

R. W. Bro. Nye gave notice that he would, at the next annual communication of Grand Lodge, move

That Art. 10, page 16, of the Constitution be amended by striking out the word "present," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "cast."

Grand Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment, to resume labor at 7.30 p.m.

EVENING SESSION.

Grand Lodge resumed labor at 7.30 p.m.

M. W. Bro. James Dunbar, Grand Master, on the Throne.

The Board of General Purposes made the following report on Finance:

The Board beg to report that it has carefully examined the books and vouchers of the R. W. Bro. Grand Treasurer, and found them correct.

The total receipts have been \$2703.34 the total expenditure \$957.51, leaving a balance of \$1745.83, but in view of a difficulty compelling the Grand Treasurer to keep his account open, arising from the fact of many subordinate Lodges, not paying their dues until the annual communication of Grand Lodge is in session; it is recommended that all dues owing to this Grand Lodge must be paid at least three days prior to the said communication, and lodges in arrears be reported thereat.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

On motion of R. W. Bro. Thompson, seconded by R. W. Bro. Copeland, the report was received and adopted.

The Board of General Purposes made the following report:

The Board of General Purposes beg to present the following report on Charities.

1. A letter has been received from R. W. Bro. Foss, suggesting that the appropriation of \$70 made by Grand Lodge towards a monument to the late R. W. Bro. Wiswell P.D.D.G.M. be transferred to the widow and family of the late Brother. It appears that a monument of a sufficiently substantial character has already been erected, and that the family are in great want. The Board recommend that the suggestion of R. W. Bro. Foss be acted upon, and that the money be placed in the hands of the D. D.G.M. of the St. Francis District for that purpose.

2. An application has been made by M. W. Bro. White for a donation to Mrs. Campbell widow of the late Bro Peter Campbell. The Board recommend that the sum of \$20 be granted to be paid through M. W. Bro. White.

3. The Board recommend that the sum of \$50 be granted to Mrs. Litchfield, widow of the late Bro. Litchfield, to be paid through R. W. Bro. Milton, and that a circular be addressed to the Lodges in the Montreal District, recommending her case as one worthy of Masonic charity.

4. An application has been made by Excelsior Lodge for the widow of the late Bro. Henderson, and the Board recommend that the sum of \$25 be granted, to be paid through the Most Worshipful Master of the Lodge.

5. An application has been made on behalf of Bro. T. C. King, to permit the patronage of the Grand Lodge of Quebec to be given to his benefit, to take place on Friday evening at Ben De Bars Opera House. The Board cannot recommend compliance with this application, but have to report that Bro. King deserves such patronage as Brethren individually can give him.

6. The Board recommend that an application be made to Grand Lodge for a grant of \$300 towards the fund of benevolence.

7. The Board recommend that the Benevolence fund, which now amounts to a little over four thousand dollars, be converted in six per cent bonds of the City of Montreal, and that hereafter the contributions for Masonic Charity be made from the interest, with such grant as Grand Lodge may at its annual communications make for that purpose.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

(Signed),

JAS. O'HALLORAN.

Montreal, 22nd Sept. 1875.

Pres. B. of G. P.

Received and adopted.

R. W. Bro. Thomas moved, seconded by R. W. Bro. Kemp,

That the conditional recognition of this Grand Lodge offered by the Grand Lodge of England, be not accepted.

R. W. Bro. Stavely, seconded by V. W. Bro. Shaw, moved in amendment

That all the words in the above resolution after the word "that" be struck out, and the following substituted therefor: "The recognition of the Grand Lodge of England, as offered in the letter of R. W. Bro. Hervey, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of England, be accepted by this Grand Lodge."

R. W. Bro. M. M. Tait, as an amendment to the amendment, moved, seconded by W. Bro. T. J. Butler,

That all the words after the word "that" be struck out, and the following be substituted:

That the consideration of the acceptance by this Grand Lodge of recognition by the Grand Lodge of England, in the terms proposed by the latter, as set forth in the address of the M. W. the Grand Master, be postponed until the next Communication of this Grand Lodge, and that a committee be appointed by the M. W. the Grand Master to confer with the Lodges now existing in this Province under warrants from other jurisdictions, with a view to effect, if possible, the amicable junction of said Lodges with this Grand Lodge, and that said committee report progress to the M. W. the Grand Master, from time to time, in order that such report may be submitted for the consideration of this Grand Lodge, whose decision only in the matter shall be final.

The amendment to the amendment, after a long and interesting discussion, was carried by a vote of 84 in its favor against seven opposing.

Grand Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment, to resume labor at 10 o'clock on the morrow.

MORNING SESSION.

24th September, 1875.

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at 10 a.m. this day, M. W. Bro. James Dunbar, Grand Master, on the Throne.

The Board of General Purposes presented the following report on

THE STATE OF MASONRY.

MONTREAL, 23rd Sept., 1875.

On this subject the Board has the pleasure to report that the state of Masonry in this Province, as shewn by the Reports of the D. D. G. M.'s, which have been submitted to G. L., is highly satisfactory. No report however has been received from the D. D. G. M. of the D. of Bedford, but there is every reason to believe that the state of Masonry in that District is most prosperous.*

The Subordinate Lodges, with a few exceptions, continue to meet their obligations to G. L. with regularity, and the Board recommend that in this matter strict punctuality be observed.

which, on motion, was received and adopted.

The Board of General Purposes presented the following report on

GRIEVANCES.

The Board has had before it a grievance from Bro. Kuhring of St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 5, complaining of the conduct of the W. M. of the Lodge, W. Bro. Colson, in improperly excluding him from the Lodge, and against the senior Warden R. W. Bro Pratten for unmasonic conduct in relation to him.

As to the charge against R. W. Bro. Pratten the Board report that the duty of Bro. Kuhring was to bring the charge against that Brother in his own Lodge, and until an investigation has taken place there, or been refused, there is nothing to warrant this Board in taking cognizance of the charge now brought.

As to the charge against W. Bro. Colson, the Board have received a letter from that Bro. taking the preliminary objection that the charge should first have been submitted to the Grand Master or the Board of General Purposes, before any summons was issued, and that not having been so submitted, the summons issued by the Grand Secretary, with a copy of the charge, was not legally issued, and there is therefore no obligation on the brother summoned to answer it.

Upon this point the Board have to report that as the Worshipful Master was duly furnished with a copy of the charge and a summons to appear to answer it, the objection can hardly be understood, even if technically a good one, as one made in good faith, and in the interests of that peace which all Freemasons should desire to promote. The Board, however, are of opinion that the Grand Secretary acted in strict accordance with his duty as pointed out by the constitution, and that the summons was properly issued and should therefore have been obeyed.

* A few days after the meeting of G. L. the report of the D.D.G.M. for Bedford district was received, and is included in the present report of proceedings.

Bro. Kuhring appeared before the Committee on grievances on the first day of Grand Lodge, and W. Bro. Judge appearing for W. Bro. Colson, stated that he had been unavoidably prevented from attending but would be here on the following, (this) morning. He has not however appeared, and Bro. Kuhring has been compelled to leave for his home.

Under these circumstances the Board recommend that the parties be summoned to appear at the semi-annual meeting of the Board when the charge will be investigated, and in the meantime, as the failure to investigate it at the meeting is due to the absence of W. Bro. Colson, that Bro. Kuhring be permitted to attend the meeting of his Lodge, as a Mason in good standing.

The Board has received a notification of the suspension of Bro. Mutton, for unmasonic conduct by Ionic Lodge, with a recommendation that he be expelled from the order.

The Board recommend that the suspension be confirmed, and that Bro. Mutton be summoned to attend the half yearly meeting of the Board to show cause why he should not be expelled.

The Board has also received a notification of the suspension of Bros. Henry Matthews and William Murray by Prince Consort Lodge, No. 47, for unmasonic conduct. It appears that both the Brethren have been convicted by the ordinary tribunals, and are now receiving the punishment of their offences in the penitentiary.

The Board recommend that the suspension be confirmed and that the parties be summoned to appear at the next semi-annual meeting of the Board to show cause why they should not be expelled.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The report was received and adopted.

The committee named at the last annual Communication of Grand Lodge to re-number the Lodges, in accordance with Section III. of Articles of Agreement adopted by the Joint Conference Committee, reported that they were not prepared at the present to make their report, and asked for an extension of time, which was granted.

The Grand Chaplain then delivered the following address :

Most Worshipful Sir, and Brethren :

In addressing you once more on the occasion of our great annual gathering, I desire, in the first place, to give utterance to a sentiment to which, I trust, you will all heartily respond, in expressing our gratitude to the Great Architect of the Universe, who has spared us through all the vicissitudes of the past year and permitted us again to meet and consult together for the common weal. May He implant in all our hearts such a deep and abiding sense of His preserving and protecting care as shall impel us to show forth His praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives.

Since I last had the honor of addressing you in this place, we have had some startling illustrations of the truth so often brought before us in our ritual, of the vain and transitory nature of all earthly things, and of the consequent necessity of preparing ourselves for that other and abiding state, of which we know so little, and which is yet so very near to every one of us. During the past year some of our most prominent and best beloved brethren have been called to exchange the labors of life for the rest of Eternity. One, in particular, who seemed the very embodiment of physical

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health and vigor, and whose heart was as large as the massive frame in which it was enshrined, has been suddenly cut down in the prime of his days, when every circumstance appeared to promise him a long career of happiness and usefulness. None of us, as we entered this hall to-day, can have failed to miss the genial smile and hearty greeting with which he was wont to meet us at the annual communication; and, although some of us may have differed with him in opinion, we shall all, I trust, be ready to do honor to the perfect, transparent *honesty* of his every word and deed as a man and a Mason.

In making these allusions to a departed brother, I have travelled somewhat out of the usual track of the Grand Chaplain's discourse, but I feel that I could not address you to-day without offering this humble tribute to the memory of one by whom I was initiated into Masonry, and who was ever after my faithful brother and friend. Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth has spoken.

And now, brethren, I would say a few words to you on some of the prominent characteristics of a true Masonic life.

First, then, I would remind you that he who is a Mason indeed is distinguished by his firm, unflinching *faith in God*, the Great Architect and Grand Geometrician of the Universe,—the Maker and Ruler of all worlds. This is the first lesson which we were taught when we presented ourselves as candidates at the threshold of the Masonic temple; and all the teaching that we have since received, as well as our experience of human life, must have deepened our conviction of its pre-eminent importance. Without this sure foundation, the stately edifice of Masonry would long since have crumbled in the dust, and it is only in proportion as this truth is deeply embedded in our hearts that we can hold our place as living stones in that mighty fabric. A strong, abiding confidence in the existence, providential oversight and wise, paternal government of the Supreme Being is absolutely necessary to the right discharge of our duties to the Brotherhood and to the world at large.

And next, resulting from this, there will arise a large and generous *trustfulness in our brother man*, who is made "in the image of GOD." This is neither the time nor the place to indulge in theological speculations as to the extent to which human nature has suffered by the fall; suffice it to say that man, when he came from the hands of his Maker, was a mirror of the perfection of Him who created him, and although that mirror has been sadly maimed and defiled, yet in its broken fragments it still reflects much of the glorious attributes of GOD. Masonry fastens upon this truth, and finds upon it the lesson of respect for the whole race of mankind, and a tender compassion for the faults and frailties of its individual members.

Again, a consistent Masonic life is characterized by *unselfishness*. This is a point on which there is much misunderstanding in the unenlightened world. The popular conception of our Fraternity is that it is a vast mutual benefit society, to which each member contributes a certain portion of his time, talents and means, in the expectation, in certain contingencies, of reaping corresponding advantages,—in a word, they suppose that when a man becomes a Mason he does so solely with a view of using his new position as a stepping-stone to his own personal welfare and aggrandizement. I need hardly say to you, my brethren, that such a view is entirely contrary to the tenets of our Order, and directly opposed to its teachings. "To do good and to communicate," not to grasp any advantage for oneself, is the great lesson which we are set to learn in our Lodges. He is the true Mason who is ever ready to forego his own for his brother's interests,

and who looks at all questions, not with the microscopic vision of the miserable self-pleaser, but with the broad, comprehensive view of one who has grasped the great principles of the universal Fatherhood of GOD and Brotherhood of Man.

Lastly, no Masonic life can be held to be complete unless it includes within it the habitual practice of *active benevolence*. It is unnecessary to dwell at any length on this point, because it necessarily flows from what I have already laid down. Where a spirit of unselfishness rules the breast, it will inevitably show itself in the eager seizing of every opportunity to benefit others. It is sometimes objected to our institution that our vows of reciprocal fidelity tend to contract our sympathies and to confine our good deeds within the comparatively narrow limits of our own membership. I need not say to you, my brethren, that such an assertion can only spring from the grossest ignorance of the very first principles of our Order. I boldly assert that the more deeply a man becomes imbued with Masonic teaching, the more earnest and active will he become in every good work for the relief of every form of human woe and suffering. The true Mason's ear, while it is peculiarly alert to catch the faintest cry of distress that is wrung from a brother's heart, is never closed to that cry, from whatever quarter it may come. Wherever a tear can be wiped from the cheek of sorrow, or the oil of kindness poured on a bruised and bleeding heart, there he will be found with his ready sympathy and his genial aid.

And now, my brethren, having in this and previous addresses urged upon your consideration some of the cardinal points of our Order, let me, with all due respect and affectionate earnestness, ask you to review your responsibilities as members of a society which inculcates such high and holy lessons. It cannot be denied that the system of morality in which we have been instructed is the very highest and best that the wisdom of man has ever devised. Nay, may we not say reverentially that in the symmetry of its plan and the completeness of its teachings, it reveals the handiwork of Him who "hath made everything perfect in its season?" Let each one of us, then, ask himself the question, Do I, as an individual member of the great Masonic body, in any adequate degree represent what ought to be the fruits of such a system? We speak sometimes of *typical men*, representative men; we say that we should choose such and such a man if we had to make a personal choice, to represent the English or the American character, or to represent any feature of modern civilization? Now, I ask, do we, as Masons, in any worthy degree, gather up the educational influences which are surrounding us and operating upon us, and express these in a life that cannot be mistaken, a life so unimpeachable, so pure and so noble that even those who stand at a distance must be constrained to admit the value of a system which can produce such beautiful and beneficial fruits? Let us honestly ask ourselves this question, and in dependence on that source of strength to which we are constantly taught to look for help and succor, let us resolve, from this day forward, to strive more earnestly to set to our brethren and to the world at large, the example of a pure, an earnest and consistent Masonic life.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. Tait, seconded by R. W. Bro. Myers,

That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due, and are hereby tendered, to R. W. Bro. Nye for the able and eloquent address just delivered.

Carried unanimously.

The Grand Secretary was directed to have the address of the Grand Chaplain transcribed in the minutes and published with the proceedings of this Communication of Grand Lodge.

At 11 o'clock a.m. this day the election of officers for the ensuing year was proceeded with, pursuant to the resolution adopted yesterday by Grand Lodge.

The M. W. the Grand Master appointed the following named brethren, who were severally duly obligated, as scrutineers of the ballot, viz: R. W. Bros. Copeland and Baker and V. W. Bro. C. Judge.

The following were declared severally elected to the respective offices, namely:

M. W. Bro. J. H. Graham, P.G.M., as Grand Master.

R. " " Jas. O'Halloran, P.D.G.M., Deputy Grand Master.

At this juncture, Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment, to resume labor at 2.30 p.m. this day.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Grand Lodge resumed labor at 2.30 p.m., M. W. Bro. James Dunbar, Grand Master, on the Throne.

V. W. Bro. C. Judge, one of the scrutineers, being absent, R.W. Bro. C. Stavely was appointed by the Grand Master to act in his stead.

R. W. Bro. Stavely having been duly obligated, the election of Grand Officers was continued with the following result:

R. W. Bro. S. Johnston was elected Grand Senior Warden.

" " " C. Judge " " " Junior "

" " " Rev. H. Nye re-elected " Chaplain.

" " " H. M. Alexander was re-elected Grand Treasurer.

" " " S. R. Whitman, elected Grand Registrar.

" " " J. H. Isaacson, re-elected Grand Secretary.

" John Strothers, " " Tyler.

During the counting of the ballot by the Scrutineers, the M. W. the Grand Master referred in a most feeling manner to the death of the late William Mercer Wilson, late M. W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, making especial allusion to the great and important services rendered by that illustrious brother to the Craft

in Canada, more especially to this G. L. The Grand Master instructed the Grand Secretary to address a letter of condolence on behalf of the G. L. of Q. to the widow and family of the deceased brother.

The following brethren having been duly nominated by the delegates from their respective Districts as District Deputy Grand Masters, the M. W. the Grand Master confirmed the same.

W. Bro. John H. Mitchell, for Quebec and Three Rivers District.

W. Bro. C. A. Rice, for Bedford District.

W. Bro. Hovey, St. Francis District.

R. W. Bro. E. M. Copeland, for Montreal District.

The following brethren were elected by Grand Lodge as members of the Board of General Purposes to fill the places of a similar number retiring therefrom, viz :

R. W. Bro. M. M. Tait.

“ “ “ G. H. Borlase.

“ “ “ J. H. Stearns.

“ “ “ S. J. Foss.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Scrutineers for the careful manner in which they had discharged their responsible duties.

THE INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

was then proceeded with. M. W. Bro. J. H. Graham and the other brethren elected to the respective offices in Grand Lodge having been duly and formally presented, M. W. Bro. James Dunbar invested for the ensuing twelve months, and until their successors shall have been duly elected and installed in their stead the following :—

M. W. Bro. J. H. Graham, Grand Master.

R. “ “ James O'Halloran, Deputy Grand Master.

“ “ “ E. M. Copeland,

“ “ “ C. A. Rice, } District Deputy

“ “ “ J. Hovey, } Grand Masters.

“ “ “ John Mitchell,

“ “ “ S. Johnston, Grand Senior Warden.

“ “ “ C. Judge, Grand Junior Warden.

“ “ “ Rev. H. W. Nye, Grand Chaplain.

R. W. Bro. H. M. Alexander, Grand Treasurer.

“ “ “ S. R. Whitman, Grand Registrar.

“ “ “ J. H. Isaacson, Grand Secretary.

“ John Strothers, Grand Tyler.

The Grand Master briefly addressed Grand Lodge, thanking them for the honor conferred on him by his election to the very important office of Grand Master.

The Board of General Purposes through its President, made the following report :

The Board having taken into consideration the condition of Clarke Lodge No. 28, and Zetland lodge late 21, recommend as to the former that the warrant be withdrawn, and as to the latter that the Secretary or whom it may concern, be summoned to appear before the Dis. Dep. Grand Master, Montreal District, with the books and records of the lodge, to be dealt with as said D. D. G. M., who is hereby authorized in the premises, shall see fit.

The Board further recommend in regard to Nelson lodge late No. 8, C. R., and Clarenceville lodge No. 14, that they be admonished previously to more severe measures being taken against them.

The report on motion was received and adopted.

The Board of General Purposes made the following report :

The Wor. Master of St. George lodge No. 6, having, as requested by the Board, produced the original warrant of St. George lodge No. 440, E.R. and having stated that his lodge was willing to abide by the decision of Grand Lodge on the whole subject matter of dispute between said lodges, in view of the serious questions involved the Board recommend to defer final action until a thorough investigation of the whole subject can be had, the warrant in the meantime to remain in possession of Grand Lodge.

R. W. Bro. Jas. O'Halloran moved, seconded by R. W. Bro. Alexander :

“ That the report be received and adopted.”

R. W. Bro. Lecappelain moved in amendment, seconded by R. W. Bro. Renshaw :

“ That the closing words ‘ Grand lodge ’ of above report be struck out and the words St. George lodge No. 6 be substituted therefor.”

A vote having been taken the amendment was declared carried.

The Board of General Purposes made a report in favour of the recognition by this Grand Lodge of the Grand Lodges of Manitoba, Prince Edward Island and Wyoming, as being legally constituted Grand Lodges, and the report was cordially received and adopted.

R. W. Bro. H. M. Alexander, then moved seconded by R. W. Bro. Jas. O'Halloran.

That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due and are hereby heartily

tendered to James Tasker Esq. Principal of the Business College in this city for the use of one of his commodious rooms for the purposes of the business of G. L.

The motion was carried unanimously and the Grand Secretary desired to carry it into effect.

A vote of thanks was also adopted in favor of the different railway and steamboat companies who had carried delegates and visitors to the present communication of Grand Lodge to and from Montreal at reduced rate of fare.

V. W. Bro. Lecapellain gave notice that he would at the next annual communication of Grand Lodge move.

That Art. 3, page 30 of the Book of Constitution be struck out.

R. W. Bro. Alexander Murray moved seconded by W. Bro. Butler

That hereafter the Grand Secretary be instructed to forward to every member of this Grand Lodge a copy of the printed proceedings.

There being no further business before Grand Lodge the Grand Secretary read the rough minutes of the proceedings to the close which were approved.

The Grand Chaplain offered the following closing prayer:

"We yield Thee hearty thanks, Most Gracious God, for all Thy mercies, and, particularly, for those which Thou has vouchsafed to us, during our present communication. We bless Thee for the peace and harmony which have prevailed in our deliberations, and for whatever good we have accomplished thereby. And now that we are about to separate, to go to our several homes, we pray that Thy blessing may be with us and our families.

"We ask for Thy special assistance in behalf of those who have been this day installed into office in this Grand Lodge. May they be endued with all necessary wisdom for a right discharge of the important duties which have been committed to them.

"Bless all our brethren, wherever dispersed; and grant speedy relief to all who are either oppressed or distressed.

"We affectionately commend to Thee all the members of Thy whole family. May they increase in the knowledge of Thee, and in the love of each other.

"Finally, may we finish all our work here below, with Thine approbation; and then have our transition from this earthly abode to Thy Heavenly Temple above, there to enjoy light, glory and bliss, ineffable and eternal. Amen."

And the present communication was closed in ample form at 6 p.m.

JOHN H. ISAACSON,
Grand Secretary.



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LIST OF GRAND LODGES

IN CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE GRAND LODGE OF QUEBEC, WITH
THE NAMES AND RESIDENCES OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES.

Alabama	D. Sayre	Montgomery.
Arkansas	Luke E. Barber	Little Rock.
Argentine Republic.....	Carlos Urien	Buenos Ayres.
Belgium	Gustav Washer	Brussels.
Brazil.....	Dr. A. Freire de Amaral.	Rio Janeiro.
British Columbia.....	C. M. Chambers	Victoria.
California.....	Alex. G. Abel	San Francisco.
Columbia, District of	Wm. A. Yates.....	Washington.
Connecticut	Joseph K. Wheeler.....	Hartford.
Canada.....	J. J. Mason.....	Hamilton.
Dakota	Mark W. Bailey.....	Canton.
Georgia	J. Emmett Blackshear.	Macon.
Hungary	Antoine Richter	Pesth.
Idaho	O. H. Purdy	Silver City.
Illinois	John F. Burriel	Springfield.
Indiana	John M. Bramwell	Indianapolis.
Iowa.....	Theodore S. Parvin.....	Iowa City.
Ireland.....	S. B. Oldham	Dublin.
Kansas	John H. Brown.....	Leavenworth.
Louisiana.....	James C. Batchelor.....	New Orleans.
Manitoba	John H. Bell	Winnipeg.
Maine.....	Ira Berry.....	Portland.
Maryland.....	Jacob H. Medairy	Baltimore.
Michigan	Foster Pratt	Kalamazoo.
Minnesota	Edwin S. B. Porter.....	St. Paul.
Mississippi	J. L. Power.....	Jackson.
Montana.....	C. Hedges	Helena.
Nebraska	W. R. Bowen	Omaha.
New Brunswick.....	W. F. Bunting.....	St. Johns.
New Hampshire	John A. Harris	Concord.
New Jersey	Joseph H. Hough	Trenton.
New York	James M. Austin, M.D.	New York.

Nevada.....	S. B. Chubbuck.....	Gold Hill.
Nova Scotia.....	Benj. Curren, D.C.L....	Halifax.
North Carolina.....	Donald W. Bain	Raleigh.
Ohio.....	John D. Caldwell.....	Cincinnati.
Prince Edward Island.....	B. Wilson Higgs.....	Charlottetown.
Rhode Island.....	Edwin Baker.....	Providence.
South Carolina	Charles Inglesby	Charleston.
Texas.....	Geo. H. Bringham.....	Houston.
Utah	Christopher Diehl	Salt Lake City.
Vermont	Henry Clarke.....	Rutland.
West Virginia.....	O. S. Long.....	Wheeling.
Wisconsin	John W. Woodhull.....	Milwaukee.
Wyoming	John K. Jeffrey.....	Cheyenne.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

1. District of Columbia—W. Bro. H. J. Martin, Washington, D. of C.
R. W. Bro. W. B. Colby, Stanstead, Que.
2. Maine—M. W. Bro. J. H. Drummond, Portland, Me.
R. W. Bro. J. H. Isaacson, Montreal, Que.
3. New Hampshire—R. W. Bro. Wm. Barrett, Nashua, N. H.
R. W. Bro. J. H. Starnes, Montreal, Que.
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R. W. Bro. Samuel Johnson, Montreal, Que.
5. Wisconsin—R. W. Bro. S. Cadwallader, Milwaukee, Wis.
R. W. Bro. M. R. Meigs, Bedford, Que.
6. Texas—M. W. Bro. Peter W. Gray, Houston, Texas.
R. W. Bro. Edson Kemp, Montreal, Que.
7. Nebraska—R. W. Bro. J. N. Wise, Omaha, Neb.
R. W. Bro. H. P. Leggatt, Quebec, P. Q.
8. Nova Scotia—R. W. Bro. Geo. T. Smithers, Halifax, N. S.
R. W. Bro. Thomas Wood, Dunham, Que.
9. Nevada—R. W. Bro. R. H. Taylor, Virginia City, Nev.
R. W. Bro. Thomas Milton, Montreal, Que.
10. Kansas—M. W. Bro. J. H. Brown, Leavenworth, Kan.
R. W. Bro. C. Judge, Quebec, P. Q.
11. Illinois—R. W. Bro. D. C. Cregier, Chicago, Ill.
R. W. Bro. G. H. Borlase, Montreal, Que.
12. Ohio—R. W. Bro. C. A. Woodward, Cleveland, O.
M. W. Bro. James Dunbar, Quebec, P. Q.
13. Michigan—R. W. Bro. D. Burnham Tracy, Detroit, Mich.
R. W. Bro. Alexander Murray, Montreal, Que.
14. Georgia—R. W. Bro. J. E. Blackshear, Macon, Ga.
R. W. Bro. George O. Tyler, Three Rivers, Que.
15. Mississippi—R. W. Bro. T. L. Power, Jackson, Miss.
R. W. Bro. S. J. Foss, Sherbrooke, Que.

16. Arkansas—
V. W. Bro. C. A. Rice, Bedford, Que.
17. North Carolina—R. W. Bro. D. W. Bain, Raleigh, N. C.
R. W. Bro. J. H. Pratten, Quebec, P. Q.
18. Connecticut—R. W. Bro. J. K. Wheeler, Hartford, Conn.
R. W. Bro. E. M. Copeland, Montreal, Que.
19. Indiana—M. W. Bro. C. Felton, Indianapolis, Ind.
R. W. Bro. William Miller, Quebec, P. Q.
20. New York—R. W. Bro. D. W. Tallcott, West Troy, N. Y.
R. W. Bro. Frank Edgar, Montreal, Que.
21. Vermont—M. W. Bro. — Englesby, Burlington, Vt.
R. W. Bro. J. H. Isaacson, Montreal, Que.
22. Belgium—
R. W. Bro. C. P. Reid, Sherbrooke, Que.
23. Rhode Island—R. W. Bro. C. D. Green, Providence, R. I.
V. W. Bro. E. H. Goff, Montreal, Que.
24. West Virginia—R. W. Bro. O. S. Long, Wheeling, W. V.
R. W. Bro. H. W. Wood, Knowlton, Que.
25. Alabama—R. W. Bro. D. Sayer, Montgomery, Ala.
R. W. Bro. D. Thomas, Sherbrooke, Que.
26. Brazil—R. W. Bro., Rio Janeiro, B.
R. W. Bro. George Thompson, Quebec, P. Q.
27. Idaho—R. W. Bro. H. E. Puckett, Boise City, Id.
R. W. Bro. John Renshaw, Montreal, Que.
28. Argentine Republic—R. W. Bro., Buenos Ayres.
R. W. Bro. H. M. Alexander, Montreal, Que.
29. Peru—R. W. Bro., Lima, Peru.
Rev. R. W. Bro. H. W. Nye, Iron Hill, Que.
30. Lusitano, Lisbon—R. W. Bro., Lisbon, Portugal.
31. Louisiana—R. W. Bro. James B. Scot, New Orleans, La.
R. W. Bro. Thos. Wood, Dunham, Que.
32. Montana.
33. South Carolina—R. W. Bro. R. B. Campbell, Laurens, S. C.
V. W. Bro. A. W. Hamilton, Melbourne, Que.
34. California—V. W. Bro. A. G. Abell, San Francisco, Cal.
R. W. Bro. C. Stavely, Quebec, P. Q.
35. Utah—R. W. Bro. Christopher Diehl, Salt Lake City.
R. W. Bro. J. H. Isaacson, Montreal, Que.
36. Hungary—R. W. Bro. Jules Kleinrath.
Rev. Bro. R. W. Norman, Montreal, Que.
37. British Columbia, R. W. Bro.
R. W. Bro. T. Leet, Danville Que.
38. R. W. Bro. E. Willis, St. John, N.B.
R. W. Bro. H. M. Alexander, Montreal.
39. Ireland—R. W. Bro. George Hill Major, Dublin.
R. W. Bro. B. Burland, Stottville, Que.
40. Maryland—R. W. Bro. — Tyson, Baltimore.
R. W. Bro. E. M. Copeland, Montreal, Que.
41. Minnesota—R. W. Bro. E. D. Porter, St. Paul, Minn.
R. W. Bro. W. Nivin, Montreal, Que.
42. New Jersey—R. W. Bro. Geo. B. Edwards, Jersey City Heights.
43. Dakota—R. W. Bro. Calvin G. Shaw.
R. W. Bro. Frank Montagu, Sowden.

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD FOR THE YEARS 1875-76.

PRESIDENT :

R. W. Bro. James O'Halloran, Deputy Grand Master, Cowansville.

OFFICERS OF GRAND LODGE BEING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

(By virtue of their Office.)

M. W. Bro. J. H. Graham,	Richmond,	Grand Master.
R. " " Samuel Johnston,	Sherbrooke,	Grand Senior Warden.
" " " J. B. Charleson,	South Quebec,	Grand Junior Warden.
" " " H. W. Alexander,	Montreal,	Grand Treasurer.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS—as such Members of the Board.

R. W. Bro. E. M. Copeland,	Montreal,	Montreal District.
" " " John H. Mitchell,	Quebec,	Quebec and Three Rivers District.
" " " H. M. Hovey,	Stanstead,	St. Francis District.
" " " C. A. Rice,	Bedford,	Bedford District.

MEMBERS ELECTED BY GRAND LODGE.

R. W. Bro. M. M. Tait,	Montreal.
" " " G. H. Borlase,	Montreal.
" " " J. H. Stearns,	Montreal.
" " " S. J. Foss,	Sherbrooke.

MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE GRAND MASTER.

V. W. Bro. And. Chisholm,	Montreal.
" " " Ernest Racicot,	Sweetsburg.
" " " J. B. Robertson,	Point Levis.
" " " Thos. Hart,	Richmond.
" " " Samuel Kennedy,	Quebec, in the place of [J. B. Charleson.]

MEMBERS OF BOARD RETAINING OFFICE FOR ONE YEAR.

" " " Thos. White, Jr.,	Montreal.
" " " S. R. Whitman,	Quebec.
" " " Thomas Milton,	Montreal.
" " " Wm. McKenzie,	Montreal.
" " " H. D. Pickle,	Sweetsburg.
V. " " M. Burnie,	Richmond.

OFFICERS OF THE GRAND LODGE, 1875-6.

M. W. Bro.	JOHN HAMILTON GRAHAM, Richmond,	Grand Master
R. W. Bro.	JAS. O'HALLORAN, Cowansville,	Deputy Grand Master
" " "	JOHN H. MITCHELL, Quebec,	D.D.G.M., Quebec and Three Rivers District
" " "	E. M. COPELAND, Montreal,	Montreal District
" " "	C. A. RICE, Bedford,	Bedford District
" " "	H. M. HOVEY, Stanstead,	St. Francis District
" " "	SAMUEL JOHNSTON, Montreal,	Grand Senior Warden
" " "	J. B. CHARLESON, S. Quebec,	Grand Junior Warden
" " "	REV. H. W. NYE, Ironhill,	Grand Chaplain
" " "	H. M. ALEXANDER, Montreal,	Grand Treasurer
" " "	J. H. ISAACSON, Montreal,	Grand Secretary
V. W. Bro.	CHARLES H. WALTERS, Montreal,	Grand Senior Deacon
" " "	JOHN SHAW, Quebec,	Grand Junior Deacon
" " "	T. P. BUTLER, Montreal,	Grand Director of Ceremonies
" " "	S. E. MOSS, Montreal,	Grand Organist
" " "	GEO. CRAWFORD, Montreal,	Grand Pursuivant
" " "	E. S. CHANNEL, Staustead,	Grand Steward
" " "	E. B. EDDY, Hull,	Do
" " "	D. A. STEVENS, Dunham,	Do
" " "	W. C. FARNUM, Three Rivers,	Do

GRAND LODGE OF QUEBEC.

May 29 | " | " | Pontiac | 15 50 |

June 9	Dispensation to Ashlar	"	21	10 00
July 10	Dues, &c., Brown	"	15	14 50
" 12	G. L. Cert. Shawenegan	"	25	9 00
" 27	Dues, &c., Graham	"	31	16 50
Aug 10	" " Eddy	"	4	36 50
" 12	" " Golden Rule	"	30	29 50
" 24	" " Coeurs Unis	"	20	51 50
" 28	" " Ascot	"	20	27 50
" 30	" " Harrington	"	39	23 25
Sep 1	" " Lake Megog	"	8	25 75
" 4	" " Antiquity	"	1	8 25
" 6	" " St. John	"	17	25 00
" 14	" " St. Charles	"	29	39 75
" "	" " Prince Consort	"	37	35 50
" "	" " Zetland	"	7	49 50
" 15	" " Ionic	"	39	42 00
" 16	" " Excelsior	"	32	92 00
" "	" " St. George	"	6	26 75
" "	" " Victoria	"	6	29 25
" 17	" " Sutton	"	17	41 50
" "	" " Milton	"	18	10 00
" "	" " Barland	"	36	12 50
" "	" " St. Francis	"	36	25 50
" "	" " Prelligsburg	"	10	21 50
" "	" " Doric	"	22	19 75
" "	" " Dorchester	"	23	26 50
" "	" " St. George	"	35	15 00
" "	" " Eddy	"	39	59 00
" "	" " Stanbridge	"	12	36 50
" "	" " Albion	"	0	36 50
" "	" " St. Andrew	"	38	19 25
" "	" " Prevost	"	28	35 75
" "	" " Pontiac	"	2	28 00
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GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.—[Continued.]

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1875.		No			
Sep. 17	Nelson	2	16 50		
" "	" " Canadian	16	13 75		
" "	" " Royal Albert	18	51 00		
" "	" " Milton	27	12 00		
" "	" " Corner Stone	27	21 75		
" "	" " Evening Star	24	13 50		
" "	" " Chateauguay	24	11 50		
" "	" " Doric	23	25		
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SYNOPSIS OF THE RETURNS OF LODGES,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 1875.

Y. C.	NAME OF LODGE	WHERE HELD.	Initiations.	Passings.	Raisings.	Joinings.	Withdrawals.	Deaths.	Suspended.	Reinstated.	Members.
0	Albion	Quebec	3	3	3	1	1	0	0	0	41
1	St. John	Quebec	1	3	3	0	5	0	1	0	45
2	Prevost	Dunham	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	54
3	Nelson	St. Armand	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	34
4	Golden Rule	Stanstead	12	9	10	3	3	2	0	0	130
5	St. Andrew	Quebec	7	7	7	1	3	1	0	0	79
6	St. George	Montreal	5	4	3	3	7	0	1	0	87
7	Zetland	Montreal	14	12	4	2	5	0	0	0	72
8	Harington	Quebec	7	6	3	0	7	0	3	2	35
9	Hoyle	Lacolle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
10	St. Francis	Richmond	8	4	4	1	3	0	0	0	40
11	Victoria	Sherbrooke	6	2	1	3	1	0	5	0	74
12	Stanbridge	Stanbridge	1	1	1	0	1	1	3	2	67
13	Mon. Kilwinning	Montreal	20	23	20	3	11	1	24	0	144
14	Clarenceville	Clarenceville	No	Ret	urns						13
15	Browne	West Farnham	4	4	4	0	1	0	0	0	25
16	Royal Albert	Montreal	15	28	31	19	6	0	1	0	140
17	Victoria	Montreal	2	3	3	2	8	0	0	0	68
18	Milton	Three Rivers	2	2	2	1	1	1	0	0	38
19	Tuscan	Levis	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	32
20	Ascot	Lennoxville	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	45
21	Ashlar	Coaticooke	No	Ret	urns						69
22	Freligsburg	Freligsburg	2	2	1	3	2	0	0	0	31
23	Doric	Danville	8	7	7	1	1	0	0	0	62
24	Chateauguay	Huntingdon	3	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	39
25	Shawenegau	Three Rivers	6	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	31
26	Abercorn	Abercorn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23
27	Corner Stone	Cowansville	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	37
28	Clarke	Ormstown	No	Ret	urns						19
29	St. Charles	Point St. Charles	14	12	13	1	4	2	0	0	62
30	Cœurs Unis	Montreal	25	17	7	2	1	0	4	0	58
31	Graham	Bolton Centre	6	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	42
32	Excelsior	Upton	11	10	11	3	7	0	3	0	31
33	Canadian	Granby	War	rant	Can	ce	ll	ed			
34	Mount Orford	Georgeville	4	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	31
35	St. George	Quebec	4	4	4	0	1	0	4	0	30
36	Burland	St. Johns	12	12	11	3	1	0	0	0	54
37	Prince Consort	Montreal	18	15	12	1	2	0	4	0	78
38	St. Andrew	Montreal	8	6	3	4	3	0	5	0	71
39	Ionic	Montreal	16	17	20	7	2	0	4	0	68
40	Lake Magog	Magog	8	6	3	1	1	1	0	0	25
	St. John	Montreal	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	16
			264	246	213	71	92	10	62	4	2154

SYNOPSIS OF THE RETURNS OF LODGES
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 1875. [Continued].

LATE NO.	NAME OF LODGE.	WHERE HELD.	Initiations.	Passings.	Raisings.	Joinings.	Withdrawals.	Deaths. Suspended.	Reinstated.	Members.
	0 Antiquity.....	Montreal.....	264	246	213	71	92	1062	4	2154
	1 Prevost.....	Dunham.....	7	6	6	5	3	0	0	61
	4 Dorchester.....	St. Johns.....	2	2	2	0	1	0	0	44
	8 Nelson.....	Phillipsburg.....	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	21
	19 St. George.....	Montreal.....	No	Ret	urns					
	21 Zetland.....	Montreal.....	1	1	1	0	5	0	7	29
	138 Aylmer.....	Aylmer.....	No	Ret	urn					
	163 Evening Star.....	Brigham.....	3	3	3	0	1	0	0	16
	187 Royal Canadian..	Sweetsburgh.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	45
	227 Sutton.....	Sutton Flats.....	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	18
	211 Brome Lake.....	Knowlton.....	No	Ret	urns					
	163 Olive Branch....	West Shefford....	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	22
	Mount Moriah....	Montreal.....	9	7	6	0	1	0	0	40
	202 Mount Royal....	Montreal.....	No	Ret	urns					
	Union of Strict Ob-	Montreal.....	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	32
	53 Shefford [servance	Waterloo.....	8	11	9	0	4	1	0	70
	175 St. John.....	Mansonville.....	3	3	3	1	2	0	0	56
	130 Yamaska.....	Granby.....	1	1	1	0	0	0	2	23
	298 Eddy.....	Hull.....	13	15	14	3	3	0	0	41
	275 Pontiac.....	Shawville.....	2	2	2	1	1	0	0	32
			324	308	270	82	114	1270	6	2704

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RETURN OF SUBORDINATE LODGES

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER, 1873.

No.	LODGE.	WHERE HELD.	NIGHT OF MEETING.
0	Albion	Quebec City	Second Friday of every month.
1	St. Johns	Quebec City	Second Wednesday "
2	Prevost	Dunham	Tuesday on or preceding full moon.
3	Nelson	St. Armands	Thursday " "
4	Golden Rule	Stanstead	Tuesday " "
5	St. Andrew	Quebec City	First Wednesday.
6	St. George	Montreal	Third Tuesday.
7	Zetland	Montreal	Second Thursday.
8	Harington	Quebec City	Third Thursday.
9	Hoyle	Lacolle	First and Third Tuesday.
10	St. Francis	Richmond	First Thursday.
11	Victoria	Sherbrooke	Second Tuesday.
12	Stanbridge	Stanbridge	Wednesday on or preceding full m.
13	Kilwinning	Montreal	Second Monday.
14	Clarenceville	Clarenceville	Third Thursday.
15	Brown	West Farnham	Friday on or preceding full moon.
16	Royal Albert	Montreal	First Wednesday.
17	Victoria	Montreal	Fourth Monday.
18	Milton	Three Rivers	First Wednesday.
19	Tuscan	Levis	First Thursday.
20	Ascot	Lennoxville	Monday on or preceding full moon.
21	Ashlar	Coaticook	First Wednesday.
22	Freligsburg	Freligsburg	Monday on or preceding full moon
23	Doric	Danville	Wednesday " "
24	Chateaugay	Huntingdon	Second Tuesday.
25	Shawenegan	Three Rivers	Second Wednesday.
26	Abercorn	Abercorn	First Thursday after full moon.
27	Corner Stone	Cowansville	Wed. on or preceding full moon.
28	Clarke	Orms town	Second Wednesday.
29	St. Charles	Point St. Charles	Fourth Tuesday.
30	Cœurs Unis	Montreal	Fourth Wednesday.
31	Graham	Bolton Centre	Tuesday on or preceding full moon
32	Excelsior	Upton	" " "
33	Canadian	Graby	Warrant Cancelled.
34	Mount Orford	Georgeville	Tuesday after full moon.
35	St. George	Quebec City	Second Saturday.
36	Burland	St. Johns	First Monday.
37	Prince Consort	Montreal	Fourth Tuesday.
38	St. Andrew	Montreal	Second Tuesday.
39	Ionic	Montreal	First Thursday.
40	Lake Magog	Magog	
	St. John	Montreal	First Friday.

RETURN OF SUBORDINATE LODGES

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER, 1873.

LODGE.	WHERE HELD.	NIGHT OF MEETING.
Antiquity	Montreal.....	First Thursday.
Prevost.....	Dunham	Tuesday preceding full moon.
Dorchester	St. Johns	First Thursday.
Nelson	Phillipsburg.....	Third Tuesday.
St. George.....	Montreal	Third Tuesday.
Zetland	Montreal	Second Thursday.
Aylmer	Aylmer.....	Second Thursday.
Evening Star.....	Brigham	Friday preceding full moon.
Royal Canadian....	Sweetsburg.....	Second Wednesday.
Sutton	Sutton Flats.....	Third Wednesday.
Brome Lake.....	Knowlton.....	First Wednesday.
Olive Branch.....	West Shefford... .	First Wednesday after full moon.
Mount Moriah	Montreal	First Friday.
Mount Royal.....	Montreal	Second Tuesday.
Union of Strict Ob-	Montreal	Third Monday.
Shefford [servance,	Waterloo	
St. John	Mansonville.....	Wednesday preceding full moon.
Yamaska	Granby	" " "
Eddy	Hull	Second Thursday.
Pontiac	Shawville.....	

RECAPITULATION

of Return of Lodge for the year ending September, 1875.

Lodges working under warrants.....	60
“ “ represented in Grand Lodge	54
“ organized	60
“ working.....	60
Initiations reported.....	324
Passings “	257
Raisings “	225
Joinings “	83
Resignations “	113
Deaths “	12
Suspended	69
Restorations.....	6
Members in good standing	2714

SUSPENDED.

FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

No. 1.—St. John.

P. B. Vanasse.

No. 6.—St. George.

Felix Pagerit.

No. 8.—Harington.

John Mountain, Michael Fitzgerald, George Browne.

No. 11.—Victoria.

Jn H. Unsworth, W. H. Beckett, Edward Kielson, Jn. D. Fraser, V. C. Wurtle.

No. 12.—Stanbridge.

Samuel J. Thayer, F. G. Slack, J. A. Slack.

No. 13.—Montreal Kilwinning.

Richard Ambrose, Edward Brimson, Wm. J. Craven, John McD. Campbell, George B. Doskrun, John H. Dinning, Silas S. Duclos, James Henderson, Chas. W. Hall, John Hendrich, Wm. Hight, Thos. Jones, Wm. Moccock, Saml. McConkey, Jas. McMartin, John W. McDowall, Peter McMartin, Wm. Penfold, Robert Robertson, Jno. B. Roger, Robert H. Robertson, Angus Smith, H. Stayner, John Campbell No. 1.

No. 16.—Royal Albert.

Thos. Parsons.

No. 30.—Cœurs Unis.

Lewis J. Trowbridge, S. Catuadal, C. Laliberté, Chas. Leduc.

No. 32.—Eccelsior Lodge.

A. Bernier.

No. 35.—St. George.

Jas. Head, Gus Leve, W. Leslie Thorn, Jas. Butler.

No. 37.—Prince Consort.

Archd. Ogilvie, James Rogers.

No. 38.—St. Andrew.

Jno. T. Finnie, Saml. C. Ross, Alex. Murdock, C. F. Lalonde, Jas. H. Hersey.

No. 39.—Ionic.

Alex. Murdoch, Jas. H. Hersey, C. F. Lalonde.

Royal Canadian.

N. L. Hungerford.

Zetland—Late 21.

A. S. Campbell, Geo. Fletcher, Wm. Ewan, James Lawson, B. L. E. Gowan,
Andre Senecal.

SUSPENDED FOR UN-MASONIC CONDUCT.

No. 32.—Excelsior Lodge.

Richer Damars, Alfred Jacques.

No. 37.—Prince Consort Lodge.

Henry Mathews, William Murray.

No. 39—Ionic.

Francis Corey Mutton.

RESTORATIONS.

No. 8—Harrington Lodge.

Wm. H. Walters, Geo. Noble.

No. 12—Stanbridge.

John McCabe, Caleb Corey.

Yamaska Lodge.

John C. Wist, Saml. C. Smith.

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DEATHS.

No. 3.—Nelson Lodge.

Hiram L. Burley.

No. 4.—Golden Rule.

N. Cheney, M.D., Stephen Cobbs.

No. 12.—Stanbridge.

Malcolm Roscoe Meigs.

No. 13.—Mon. Kilwinning.

John Dawson.

No. 18.—Milton.

James Reyner.

No. 39.—Lake Magog.

Olof N. Hoyt.

Shefford Lodge.

Albert B. Parmellee.

Pontiac Lodge.

Charles W. Collins.

Royal Canadian Lodge.

Chas. Browne, M.D.

Evening Star Lodge.

Chas. Browne.

No. 5.—St. Andrew.

Wm. Wood.



In Memoriam.

R. W. BROTHER

MALCOLM ROSCOE MEIGS, M.D.,

Past District Deputy Grand Master,

OF

BEDFORD DISTRICT, P. Q.

DIED

14 May, 1875, A.L. 5875. Aged, 35 years.

AT REST.

PAST GRAND OFFICERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF QUEBEC.

PAST GRAND MASTERS.

M. W. Bro.	John Hamilton Graham,	Richmond.
" " "	Wm. B. Simpson,	Montreal.
" " "	A. A. Stevenson,	"
" " "	Thos. White,	"
" " "	A. Bernard,	"
" " "	James Dunbar,	Quebec.

PAST DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

R. W. Bro.	John S. Bowen,	Quebec.
" " "	Henry J. Praeten,	"
" " "	James Dunbar,	"
" " "	James O'Halloran,	Nelsonville.

PAST DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

R. W. Bro.	John H. Isaacson,	Montreal.
" " "	Frank Edgar,	Montreal.
" " "	W. B. Colby,	Stanstead.
" " "	H. P. Leggatt,	Quebec.
" " "	Hon. Thos. Wood,	Dunham.
" " "	Wm. Miller,	Quebec.
" " "	J. H. Stearns,	Montreal.
" " "	S. J. Foss,	Sherbrooke.
" " "	M. M. Tait,	Montreal.
" " "	M. R. Meigs,	Bedford.
" " "	Christopher Staveley,	Quebec.
" " "	Timothy Leet,	Danville.
" " "	Thomas Milton,	Montreal.
" " "	Stevens Baker,	Dunham.
" " "	E. W. Wiswell,	Sherbrooke.
" " "	Geo. O. Tyler,	Three Rivers.
" " "	W. W. Lynch,	Knowlton.
" " "	Wright Sleeper,	Coaticooke.
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