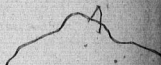


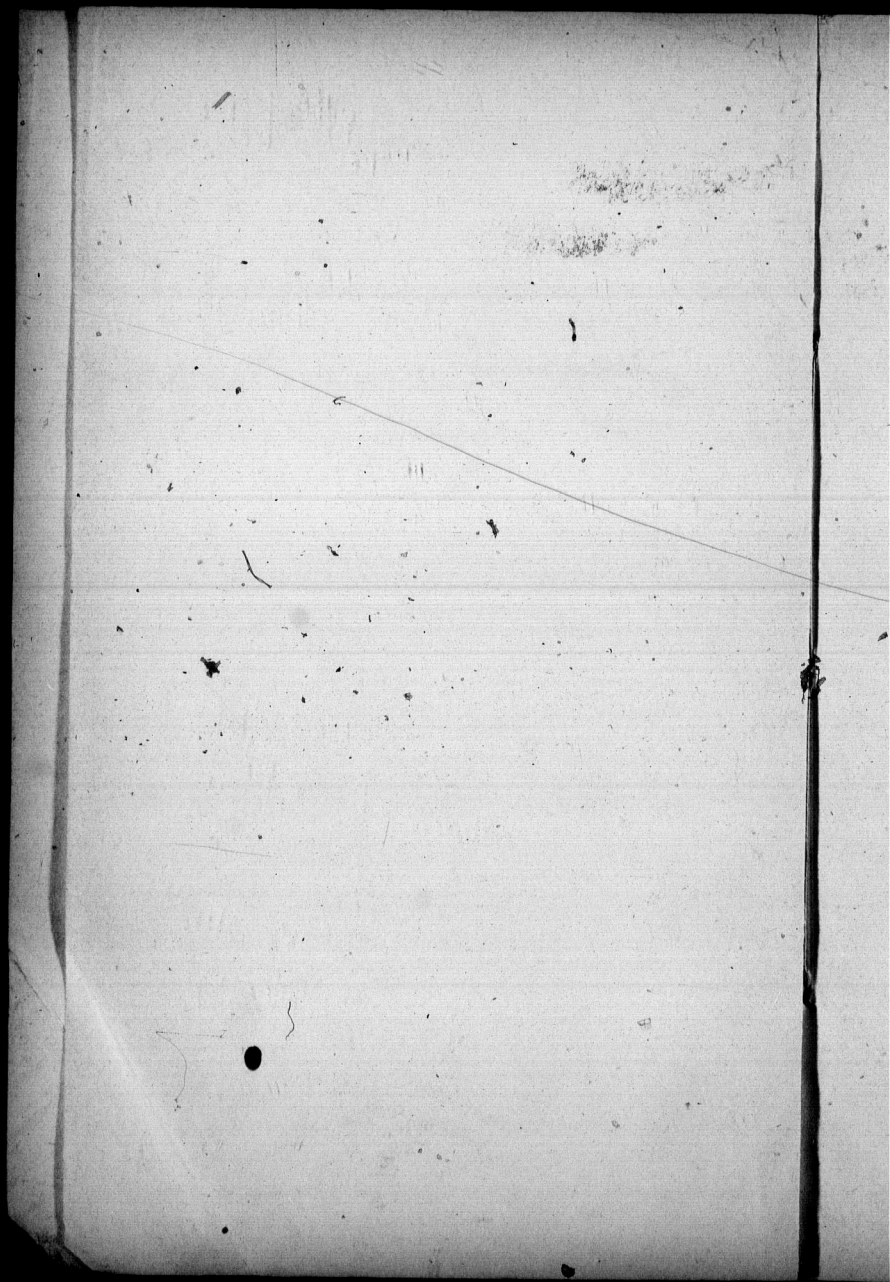


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FOR THE

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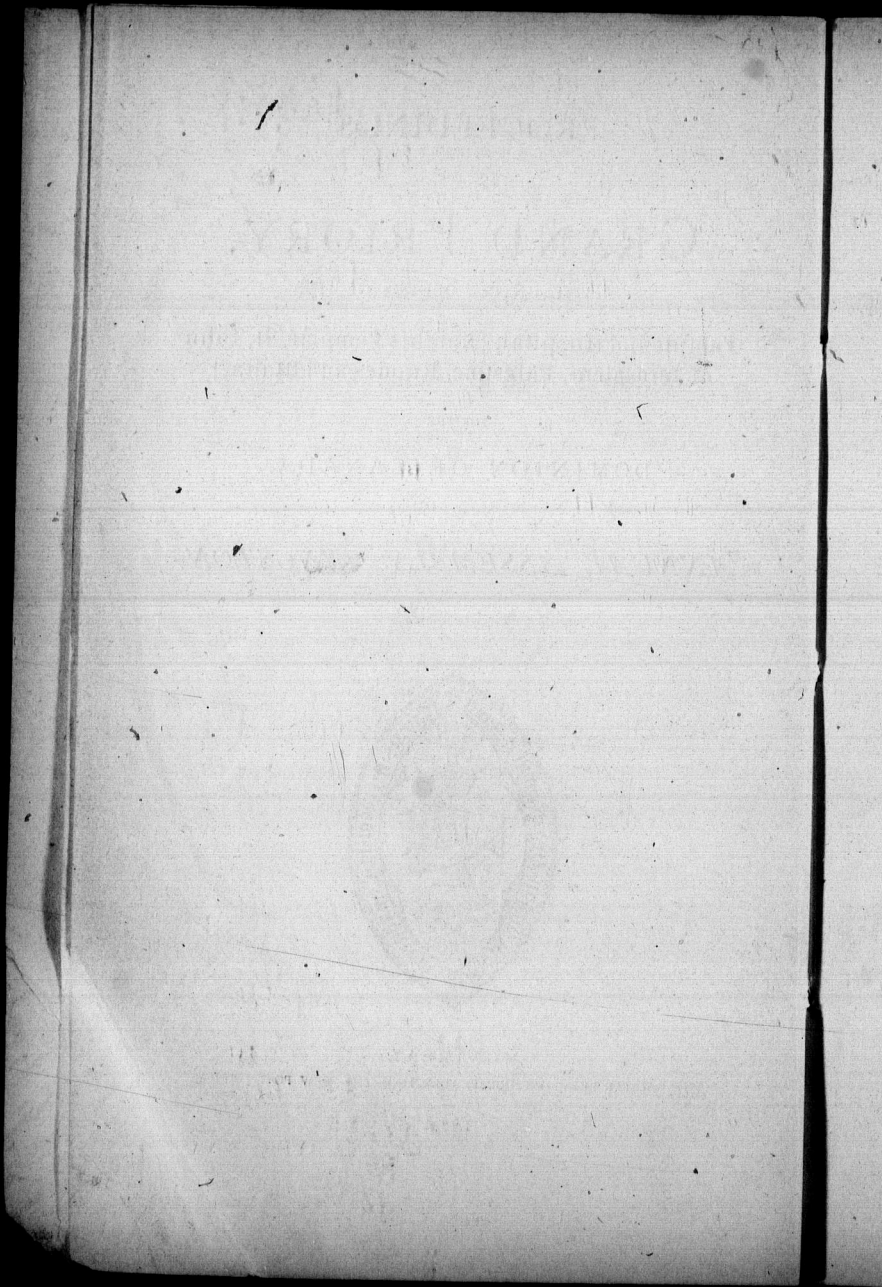
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## PROCEEDINGS.

At the Annual Assembly of the Grand Priory of the United Orders of the Temple and Hospital, under the banner of the Great Priory of England and Wales, held in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Kingston, commencing on Thursday, the 14th day of August, A.M. 5877, A.D., 1873, A.O., 755.

### PRESENT.

V. H. and Eminent † Frater W. J. B. McLEOD MOORE, Grand Prior,  
Presiding.

“ “ “ † T. D. HARINGTON, as Grand Sub-Prior.  
“ “ “ † HENRY ROBERTSON, as Prov. Grand Prior.  
“ “ “ † E. M. COPELAND, Prov. Sub-Prior.  
“ “ “ † REV. VINCENT CLEMENTI, Grand Prelate.  
“ “ “ † L. H. HENDERSON, Grand Constable.  
“ “ “ † ISAAC H. STEARNS, as Grand Marshal.  
“ “ “ † THOS. BIRD HARRIS, } Grand Chancellor and  
Treasurer.  
“ “ “ † HUGH A. MACKAY, Grand Vice-Chancellor.  
“ “ “ † WILLIAM REID, as Grand Registrar.  
“ “ “ † GEO. H. DARTNELL, Grand Chamberlan.

V. H. and Eminent † JAMES SEYMOUR, as Grand Hospitaller.  
" " † GEO. C. LONGLEY, Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.  
" " † N. GORDON BIGELOW, Grand 1st Sub-Marshal.  
" " † N. GREENFIELD, as Grand 2nd Sub-Marshal.  
" " † GEO. ENEARL, as Grand Standard Bearer.  
" " † ALFRED G. SMYTH, Grand Almoner.  
" " † DONALD ROSS, Grand 1st Aide-de-Camp.  
" " † R. P. STEPHENS, Grand 2nd Aide-de-Camp.  
" " † JOHN DUMBRILLE, Grand Captain of Guards.  
" " † JOHN SATCHEL, Grand 1st Herald.  
" " † THOMAS MILTON, Grand 2nd Herald.  
" " YEOMAN GIBSON, Grand Pursuivant.  
" EDWARD BAEL, Grand Guard.

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DELEGATES FROM ST. JOHNS, NEW BRUNSWICK.

(See credentials page 218.)

Eminent † Frater DAVID RANSOM MUNRO.  
" † " J. MELICK.

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VISITORS FROM UNITED STATES.

Eminent † Frater JOHN EDWIN MASON, Washington, D. of C.  
" † " D. S. JONES, Washington, D. of C.  
" † " THOMAS SOMERVILLE, Washington, D. of C.  
" † " ROBERT SILLBROON, Washington, D. of C.  
" † " A. S. FRENCH, Bangor, Maine.  
" † " W. H. FRAZER, New Haven, Conn.

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The Grand Priory was opened in ancient form at 1.10 o'clock P.M.

The Grand Chancellor reported from the attendance register the following Members and Representatives of duly Warranted Preceptories as being present, viz :



## "HUGH DE PAVENS" PRECEPTORY, KINGSTON.

Very Eminent	†	Frater	JAMES A. HENDERSON, Eminent Preceptor.
"	†	"	W. J. B. MCLEOD, MOORE, P.E.P.
"	†	"	ALEX. S. KIRKPATRICK, P.E.P.
"	†	"	C. D. MACDONNELL, P.E.P.
"	†	"	E. H. PARKER, P.E.P.
"	†	"	W. B. SIMPSON, P.E.P.
	†	"	JAMES GREENFIELD, Marshal.
	†	"	JOHN SATCHELL.
	†	"	W. B. PHILLIP.
	†	"	J. V. NOEL.
	†	"	H. L. GEDDES.
	†	"	DONALD ROSS.

## "GEOFFREY DE ST. ALDEMAR," PRECEPTORY, TORONTO.

† Frater R. P. STEPHENS, Constable.

## "GODFREY DE BOUILLON" PRECEPTORY, HAMILTON.

Eminent	†	Frater	HUGH A. MACKAY, Eminent Preceptor.
Very	"	†	" THOMAS BIRD HARRIS, P.E.P.
"	"	†	" THOS. DOUGLAS HARINGTON, P.E.P.
"	"	†	" C. D. MACDONNELL, P.E.P.
		†	" GEORGE ENEARL.
		†	" JAMES CANFIELD.

## "RICHARD CŒUR DE LION" PRECEPTORY, LONDON.

Eminent † Frater ALFRED G. SMYTH, Eminent Preceptor.

## "KING BALDWIN" PRECEPTORY, BELLEVILLE.

Eminent	†	Frater	L. H. HENDERSON, P.E.P.
Very	"	†	" C. D. MACDONNELL, P.E.P.
		†	" ALEXANDER ROBERTSON,

## "RICHARD CŒUR DE LION" PRECEPTORY, MONTREAL.

Eminent † Frater ISAAC H. STEARNS, Eminent Preceptor.

" † " E. M. COPELAND, P.E.P.

† " THOS. MILTON, Constable.

## "PLANTAGANET" PRECEPTORY, ST. CATHARINES.

Eminent † Frater JAMES SEYMOUR, P.E.P.

## "HURONTARIO" PRECEPTORY, COLLINGWOOD.

Eminent † Frater HENRY ROBERTSON, Eminent Preceptor.

## "MOORE" PRECEPTORY, PETERBORO'.

Very Eminent † Frater C. D. MACDONNELL, Eminent Preceptor.

" † " REV. VINCENT CLEMENTI, P.E.P.

"ST. JOHN THE ALMONER" PERCEPTORY, WHITBY.

Eminent † Frater GEO. H. F. DARTNELL, Eminent Preceptor.  
" † " YEOMAN GIBSON.  
" † " D. S. JONES.

"GONDEMAR" PERCEPTORY, MAITLAND.

Eminent † Frater GEO. C. LONGLEY, Eminent Preceptor.  
" † " JOHN DUMBRILLE, Constable.  
" † " JOHN EASTON, Marshal.

"ODO DE ST. AMAND" PERCEPTORY, TORONTO.

Eminent † Frater N. GORDON BIGELOW, P.E.P.  
Very " † " THOS. B. HARRIS, P.E.P.

The foregoing Report was received and adopted.

The Grand Prior expressed on behalf of Very Eminent † Frater Samuel B. Harman, Grand Sub-Prior, who had come down to Kingston, his great regret and disappointment that imperative public business had compelled him to return to Toronto before the opening of Grand Priory.

The Grand Chancellor read a letter from Eminent † Frater A. A. Stevenson, Provincial Prior for Quebec, expressing regret that unavoidable circumstances would debar him from attending this Annual Assembly.

The Grand Chancellor commenced reading the recorded minutes of the proceedings at the last Annual Assembly, when

It was moved by Eminent † Frater Rev. Vincent Clementi, seconded by Eminent † Frater N. Gordon Bigelow, and

*Resolved*—That inasmuch as the proceedings of this Grand Priory at its Annual Assembly, held at the city of Toronto, on the 15th day of August, 1872, have been printed, and copies thereof forwarded to each Preceptory, the same be considered as read and now confirmed.

The Very High and Eminent the Grand Prior delivered the following Address, with appendices marked A. B. C.

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D., to the Sir Knights assembled in Annual Grand Conclave:

### ADDRESS.

#### OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND PRIORY :

Some twenty years ago, when on an official military visit to this city, I had the pleasure of forming the acquaintance of a masonic brother well known to you all, the present preceptor of the premier Knights Templar Encampment in Canada, the "Hugh de Payens" of Kingston, who on learning that I was one of the grand officers of the "Grand Conclave of England" suggested to me the idea of establishing the Order here on a constitutional basis. To Sir Knight James Alexander Henderson, D. C. L., Q. C., &c., the first templar installed by me in Canada, and now the Senior Past Provincial Deputy Grand Commander of the former Provincial Grand Conclave, all honor is due as your earliest pioneer. It is both a pleasing and a curious coincidence that here in the good city of Kingston, where the order was first founded in Canada, we should again meet to mark a new era in our history, one which prognosticates a great and brilliant future. To me while it is a gratifying reminiscence to look back at our early history, it is at the same time necessarily a painful one when I think how many of the old familiar forms who then assisted me have passed from amongst us, never to return. The memory of two of them will long be remembered with kindly and fraternal feelings, Sir Knights Col. Alex. Gordon, Royal Engineers, and Doctor Richard Dowse, Inspector General of Army Hospitals. The former has left behind him a lasting memento to the templars of Kingston in having instituted the "Gordon Order of Merit" for members of the "Hugh de Payens" to commemorate the revival of the order upon an old templar organization which was formerly attached to the St. John's Craft Lodge in this city; to this circumstance the motto "Resurgam" on the Gordon Cross alludes, and the ante dating of the warrant to 12th Feb., 1824. Our old and esteemed frater Doctor Dowse who I had known intimately years before in one of the garrisons of the West Indies, died lately in Plymouth, England, honored and respected, at the good old age of 83. And now another true templar has gone to his final rest full of years and honor; Sir Knight Captain Thompson Wilson, of London, Ont., is no longer here to assist in our Councils and cheer us with his kind and genial greeting. The Queen has lost a stout old soldier, the Craft a zealous and warm-hearted brother, who with open hand and generous heart was ever ready to assist the unfortunate and distressed. Captain Wilson who died at London, Ont., on the 20th October last, was born at Penrith, Cumberland, 12th April, 1791, a scion of a family long known in the Parish of New Abbey near Dunfries, Scotland. His Great Uncle being the noted William Patterson who conducted the Darien

Expedition in 1700, and who, on his return to England, projected the first plan of the Bank of England. Our late Brother Knight served in the Royal Artillery throughout the old Peninsular War, was present at the ever memorable battle of Waterloo and was stationed some years in the West Indies. On leaving the Army in 1837, He settled near London, Western Canada, when he rendered during the troubles of that period, from his old military experience, valuable services and assistance to the government.

He was a Past Deputy Grand Commander of this Grand Priory, and the first Eminent Commander of the "Richard Cœur de Lion" Encampment of London, Ont. Initiated into Free Masonry in a Lodge attached to the 5th Regiment of Foot in the year 1816, raised to the degree of a Master Mason in Lodge 406, 91st Regiment in 1817, exalted to the Royal Arch degree in Argyle Chapter of same Regiment, Sept, 1818, installed a Knight Templar, 20th May, 1821, in Social Encampment, No. 85, Manchester, now extinct; attained the 18<sup>o</sup> or Rose Croix degree at Woolwich, Kent, in 1861, and the 33<sup>o</sup> of the A. and A. Rite, April, 1870. He held also the rank in Canada of a P. D. D. Grand Master, and Past Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of Canada. It can be truly said of him that he was a just man, a valued and tried friend, an honor to our Order, a brave and gallant old soldier, whose name will be always fresh in the memories of those who were proud to claim him as a brother knight, as well as cherished by me, as that of a personal and kind friend, who warmly supported and consistently carried out my views for the advancement of the Templar Order in Canada.

The re-organization of the Order so long contemplated, and now accomplished in England, having given rise to much controversy, and even censure and misapprehension amongst some of its members, as regards the motives and intentions of the supreme authorities, who devised and are now carrying out the scheme of revision, requires that I should endeavor to point out to you, as far as my experience and knowledge will permit, the object of the recent changes in an Order so highly honored as to be under the patronage of Her Most Gracious Majesty The Queen, and presided over by our future Sovereign. The circular I lately issued [appended hereto, marked A], was intended firstly to draw your attention to the subject, which I now propose fully entering upon, and to that end will have to crave your patience and attention for a short time. The fact cannot be disputed that no matter how correct and praiseworthy may be their motives, yet all who undertake the difficult and unthankful office of *Reformers*, must make up their minds to opposition and censure from the prejudice and ignorance of those who, wedded to their own long preconceived ideas, cannot and will not allow themselves to be convinced to the contrary, no matter how clearly the eligibility of the contemplated reform may be pointed out.

You are aware that for some years past, a movement has been on foot to

endeavor to restore The Order of the Temple, as far as the customs of the age will permit, and assimilate it as nearly as possible, to its former position and character; for this purpose a committee was formed from our three national templar bodies in the empire, and the recent regulations issued by the "Convent General," a body emanating from and depending upon them, are the result of these deliberations. It is to be regretted that Scotland, although agreeing to the convention, should, at the last moment, have failed to take part in the happy result of the negotiations; from, it would appear, a morbid dread that her independence would be absorbed by England, under the name of union; this certainly never could have been contemplated, the terms of the treaty giving Scotland equal power with England and Ireland. Unity would have created uniformity of laws and ritual, thus giving the Order greater dignity and standing; it is, however, to be hoped and earnestly desired, that Scotland will re-consider her decision and join the "Convent General." Careful investigation has shown that the Scottish Order cannot establish any other claim to the title of Templar, which it does not derive from the same source as that of England and Ireland. The long established and well known enthusiastic loyalty of her knights, does not admit for a moment, the supposition that they intended to offer even the semblance of a slight, to the jurisdiction of our Royal Grand Master, or throw any obstacle in the way of again restoring the cosmopolitan character of the Order, and amalgamating the different nationalities under one governing head.

It is acknowledged generally by members of the Order who have interested themselves in its history, that many irregularities, both in government and practice, have crept in. Connected as it is with the masonic fraternity, much of masonic-like matter has been introduced which did not exist in the constitutions and rituals of the ancient Order, and to get rid of these it was necessary to look back and revert as much as possible to the ancient statutes and constitutions, and assimilate the old forms, ceremonies and nomenclature to our present system. Assuming as we do the title, and asserting a claim to be considered as the representatives of the old Order of the Temple, it is surely incumbent upon us to adopt and adhere in every respect as nearly as possible to the original regulations and customs. I myself always regarding it, *not as* a degree of Masonry properly speaking, but a revival of the Chivalric Order, preserved by its connection, for convenience and security sake, with Freemasonry, have long advocated the revision that has now taken place, and hope to see shortly much that is unsuitable struck out of the ritual, and a complete return to the ancient form of reception.

A great deal of unnecessary discussion, and in my opinion futile arguments, have been advanced against the omission of the word "masonic" from the templar nomenclature, it being asserted that by so doing the order has completely disconnected itself with freemasonry, and is now an illegal

secret society. To me it appears absurd to say that the mere dropping of the name "masonic" makes us a different order; for if this argument holds good, then the templars of Scotland have for many years been illegal, having long abolished the prefix "masonic." But there does not appear to be the slightest intention to repudiate the masonic connection, or to separate from the ancient and noble institution of freemasonry; on the contrary, the masonic qualification has been increased, and in this sense we are still masonic Knights Templar. The attempt made some years ago in Scotland to sever the connection was a signal failure, and so unwise and impolitic a measure is not likely again to be brought forward.

Neither can I clearly see in what way the order will now become amenable to the civil law in England against secret societies other than masonic, more than it has ever been. The constitutions of English craft masonry say that it consists of three degrees and *no more*, including the Royal Arch, so that we must have always been under the ban of the law! but if I am not much mistaken, "Encampments" were returned in the declaration required by law as a body of "Master Masons" practising a christian masonic rite.

Constituted as we are, we are not a *secret* society in the common acceptation of the word, but an honorable and loyal christian order whose principles are fully and publicly known, although the ceremonies of admission were not, nor are they now, published to the world at large.

Traditionally, our Order of the Temple represents the glorious old military and religious brotherhood of that name; the masonic tradition being, that at the suppression of the templars in the early part of the 14th century, some of their number sought and found refuge and held conclaves in the society of Freemasons, and that their meetings are represented in our present institution, although some writers repudiate this assertion and treat it as a mere fiction, on the dictum "That everything is more than doubtful that cannot be conclusively proved." I can hardly agree to this argument as regards the connection of templarism and freemasonry; for as far as anyone can show to the contrary, the two bodies have been long and intimately connected, but from the lapse of time, destruction of records, and the necessary secret nature of the fraternity, no documentary evidence can be produced as to when the masonic body first assumed, if it was an assumption, the right of creating knights templar; consequently it is incumbent upon any one denying the legitimacy of our claim to bring proofs of it, and show conclusively that the attaching a templar organization to the masonic institution is of late date, and long subsequent to the outward suppression of the templars by the princes of Europe. The mere fact that Grand Bodies of masonic templars were only formed at the close of the last century, is no proof that the templars had not been long previously connected with freemasonry. My own conviction leans to the correctness of our tradition, as there does not appear any other way of

accounting for the existence of small bodies of the order being attached for so long a period to masonic lodges, except by believing that some of the knights and their followers sought at the time of their persecution the protection of the masonic fraternity; and from this circumstance it may be assumed we derive our existence as representatives of the ancient chivalry of the temple.

Objections have been raised to the new titles of "Grand Crosses" and "Commanders," as an innovation upon the simplicity of the ancient order, there being no such titles formerly. They have, however, the precedent of belonging to the state orders of Knighthood, and have been long used by the Scottish Templars, and were honorable distinctions amongst the knights of Malta. These honors are to be limited and substituted for honorary special rank, and only conferred by H. R. Highness the Grand Master, as special marks of his approbation for services rendered to the Order.

At his installation he was pleased to add my name to that of the Royal personages and the few members of distinguished rank on whom he first conferred the title of Grand Cross. The honor I fully appreciate, not alone as such to myself, but as the highest compliment H. R. Highness could pay to the Templars of Canada through their Grand Prior.

The apron, in my opinion a most ridiculous badge for the representatives of a military body, is at last abolished. So far back as 1852, when I attended the Sup. G. Conclave in London, the subject was then discussed of substituting a sash round the waist, in imitation of the mystic *ceinture* or *white linen girdle* worn by the knights of old, and if I mistake not the motion was actually carried, but by some unaccountable misunderstanding, was not acted upon. The only advocates for retaining the masonic badge of the apron, were those who merely looked upon the order as a high degree of masonry, neither knowing or at all caring for its origin or history, and who considered the putting off the apron and dropping the prefix masonic as actually shutting them out from the pale of masonry.

Substituting the titles of "constable" and "marshal" for the modern military rank of captains (first and second,) and "chaplain" for "prelate" is only reverting to the old nomenclature of the order. The templars never had amongst their members devoted to the sacred offices any higher title than chaplain, and those amongst them advanced to the rank of bishop did not assume the title of Grand Prelate of the Order of the Temple.

As we are now known under the name of the United Orders of the Temple and Malta, it becomes necessary for each preceptory to hold a priory of Malta. The introduction of the Malta order into that of the templar is comparatively very modern, irrespective of the legendary amalgamation, and many errors have been disseminated with respect to it by visionary and enthusiastic masonic writers, asserting as facts wild theories of their own relating to the supposed common origin of freemasonry,

and the old military orders of knighthood. It has been stated that our Maltese ritual was brought from the Island of Malta; this I can positively say is not the case, for in 1849 I was the first to introduce the templar order there, and we did not work any degree of Malta. I have had for a long time in my possession, Malta rituals said to have been used by the templar encampments in the last century, but I could find no trace whatever in Malta that any such ritual had belonged to the old knights or that they knew anything about our encampments. It is from the Scottish masonic degree of knights of Malta our present ritual has been principally compiled.

The historical lecture introduced in the Maltese ritual is interesting and instructive, showing the origin in Palestine of the great rival military sister order to the Temple, the Knights Hospitallers of St. John of Jerusalem, their migration to the Island of Rhodes, and subsequent retirement to the Island of Malta. This order gave the first idea of Hospitals in England where they were called "Stranger Houses," and afforded shelter to the weary traveller, as well as to the sick. The original noble and praiseworthy object of ministering to the wants of the destitute for which the order was founded, (although they afterwards became a military and canonical order like the templars), is literally carried out, at the present time in London by the 6th or English Langue of the legitimate branch of the old order of St. John of Jerusalem; I may mention the name of one of its members a "Knight of Justice," who is an honorary grand officer of this Grand Priory, Sir Knight Richard Woolf, of St. Amand preceptory, in the ancient city of Worcester, of which preceptory I have lately been highly gratified by being elected an honorary member.

I announced to you in my circular, that the committee appointed by me at the meeting of Grand Priory in 1870, "to deliberate upon such questions and proposals as may tend to promote the interests of the order in Canada, and that the result of these deliberations be embodied in a "respectful memorial, to be submitted to the Supreme Grand Conclave," had forwarded their memorial (marked B in appendix) already communicated to our different preceptories, which I duly enclosed without comment or alteration to the Arch Chancellor in England, and received an official reply (also attached, marked C) assuring me that the claims put forward will be taken into favorable consideration at the next meeting of the Convent General. This I consider most satisfactory.

The reorganization of the order, at once pointed out the way to gratify the long expressed wish of the majority of Canadian Templars for self-government without severing the connection with the parent body which I could not have assented to. The time appears to have arrived when we ought to have our own affairs more immediately under our own control. We understand our wants and wishes much better than can be done at a distance, and on many matters it is necessary to legislate differently.



Edicts and regulations which are neither approved of or necessary here are viewed in the mother land by a very different light, with her old associations, her aristocracy, and her great social distinctions.

The Dominion of Canada forming a portion of the great British Empire should not be called a *dependency*, it is just as much an integral part of the Queen's sovereignty as England, Scotland, and Ireland, and should possess the same privileges. Canada is no longer a colony in the common sense of the word, and her influence is on the daily increase.

With the Templars in the neighboring enlightened and great Republic the fraternal feeling existing between us continues to increase, and a convention is now under treaty with them and England similar to that effected by the latter with Scotland and Ireland. H. R. Highness the Grand Master, to mark his approbation of these amicable and harmonious relations, has paid a graceful compliment to the General Grand Encampment, by creating their Grand Master Sir Knight John Quincy Adams Fellows, a Grand Cross of the order of England.

The Templars in Sweden, of whom his Majesty the King is Grand Master, show the same anxiety to reciprocate fraternal relations. The Order there, which is based similarly to our own on the masonic system, is recognized by the State and Court. The Emperor of Germany and other Continental Royal Personages are members, and have joined heartily in doing honor to the jurisdiction of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

The first step having been so auspiciously taken to purify our order, it is hoped will lead to carrying out a scheme which, by amalgamating other jurisdictions, would form a most powerful and useful body, bringing under one head different nationalities, as in the ancient times without interfering with their individual political allegiance.

I am happy to announce that the order in the Dominion continues prosperous and satisfactory. I visited in Toronto lately the "Geoffrey de St. Aldemar," and "Odo de St. Amand" preceptories and was gratified to find so many members in attendance who received me with characteristic kindness and hospitality. I also, in company with the Grand Sub-Prior V. E. Sir Knight Samuel B. Harman, visited the new preceptory of St. John the Almoner, Whitby, Ontario, and in justice to the preceptor, Sir Knight Geo. H. Dartnell, wish to express my great satisfaction at the manner in which the preceptory is fitted up, and the correct way all the duties of the officers were performed.

From the village of Petrolia I received an application from several R. Arch masons residing there, citizens of the United States, requesting a dispensation to be allowed to join the order in one of the United States commanderies. I did not feel justified in granting this permission, in consequence of one of our preceptories being at an easy distance from Petrolia, the "Richard Cœur de Lion" of London. I therefore informed them that as all members of the order installed in Canada were eligible to join

commanderies in the United States and vice versa, it would be better for them to apply to the Preceptory at London where no difficulty would be thrown in the way of their admission.

I subjoin an extract [Appendix D] from proceedings of the last Grand Encampment U. S. acknowledging our authority to communicate their Red Cross Degree.

The question as to whether the term "Knights Templar" or "Knight Templars" is most correct, having been asked me I can only refer all interested, to the long and able discussions on this point in the proceedings of several of the U. States Commanderies. Our usage is "Knights Templar"; but I have been surprised to see in numerous instances the plural of the latin word "*frater*" spelt "*fraters*" instead of *fratres*. If I remember right, in my school boy days this would have been counted a *maximus*.

Since our last annual assembly the "William de la More the Martyr" Encampment has been struck off the roll. This body having ceased to meet for sometime, V. E. Sir Knight T. D. Harington returned to my custody the warrant, which I subsequently surrendered to the former Grand Conclave of England.

It is much to be deprecated that the practice has of late years become so common of rushing into *print* on almost every occasion. The proceedings of our private meetings, and correspondence now frequently find their way into newspapers, and are thus exposed to the impertinent criticism and satirical remarks of those who neither know nor care about our customs, motives or antecedents. The recent sneering and satirical articles which appeared in some of the English papers on the installation of W. R. Highness ought to be a warning to avoid such publicity. The correspondence also in the masonic press indulges *too much* in the controversial and *too little* in the true masonic element.

Sir Knights, your patience must be nearly exhausted, I will conclude then by assuring you how much the re-union here to-day in Kingston has gratified me, and brought back pleasing recollections of the time when we first established the order in Canada. May I hope that my frequent admonitions to be careful whom you admit into your ranks has not been in vain; the regulations for the admission of candidates are clearly and distinctly laid down in the new statutes, and are sufficiently stringent to keep out the unworthy; Preceptories have the remedy in their own hands and on them must rest the onus should any ineligible member be admitted amongst us.

In the discharge of our knightly profession let us be governed by the old principles of honor and chivalry, justice and truth, and may we, the templars of the present day, the fratres representing the grand old religious and military order, stand forth as champions to espouse and maintain the Holy Christian Faith, and be the ready and faithful protectors of the

"innocent" the "destitute" and the helpless," ever remembering in our respective avocations through life the solemn vows that bind us to the Order of the Temple.

Fratres, I am always yours,

V. D. † S. A.

† W. J. B. McLEOD MOORE,  
*Grand Cross of the Temple.*  
*Grand Prior, Dominion of Canada.*

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APPENDIX A.

UNITED ORDERS OF THE TEMPLE AND HOSPITAL, FOR THE DOMINION OF CANADA.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND PRIOR, LAPRAIRIE, 25th April, 1873.

*To the Eminent Preceptors of the several Preceptories under the Grand Priory of Canada:*

EMINENT SIR KNIGHT, PRECEPTOR:—The Statutes of the Convent General, enacted under the Conventions formed between the Orders of the Temple in England, Scotland, and Ireland, and recently promulgated, having given rise to some misapprehension that material alterations had been made in the internal organization of the Order, I have considered it advisable briefly to point out the object of the changes now adopted, and to request you will, at as early a period as possible, make them known to the Members of the Order under your immediate jurisdiction, at the same time recommending a careful perusal of these Statutes.

The advisability of uniting the Order of the Temple, in the British Empire, under one head, and assimilating the ritual and ordinances has, for some years past been under consideration, and a Committee was selected from the three National Grand Bodies to carry this into effect; in consequence of which a confederate body has been formed named the "Convent General," for the purpose of regulating the whole affairs of the Order, of which His ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES, is Supreme Head and Grand Master.

Beyond a change in the nomenclature, taken after careful research from historical authority, no very material alterations have been made.

The changes are simply these:—

1. The existing Grand Masters in the Empire are to be termed Great Priors, and Grand Conclaves or Encampments, Great Priors; and under and subordinate to one Grand Master, as in the early days of the Order, and one Supreme Governing Body, the Convent General.

2. The term Great is adopted instead of Grand, the latter being a French

word; and Grand in English is not Grand in French. Great is the proper translation of "Magnus!" and "Magnus Supremus."

3. The Great Priors of each nationality, England, Scotland, and Ireland, with their dependencies in the Colonies, retain their internal government and legislation, and appoint their Provincial Priors, doing nothing inconsistent with the Supreme statutes of the Convent General.

4. The title Masonic is not continued; the order being purely Christian, none but Christians can be admitted; consequently it cannot be considered strictly as a Masonic body—Masonry while inculcating the highest reverence for the Supreme being, and the doctrine of the immortality of the soul, does not teach a belief in one particular creed, or unbelief in any. The connection with Masonry is, however, strengthened still more, as a candidate must now be two years a Master Mason, in addition to his qualification as a Royal Arch Mason.

5. The titles Eminent "Commander" and "Encampment" have been discontinued, and the original name, "Preceptor" and "Preceptory" substituted, as also the titles "Constable" and "Marshal" for "First" and "Second Captains." "Encampment" is a modern term adopted probably when, as our traditions inform us, "at the suppression of the Ancient Military Order of the Temple, some of their number sought refuge and held conclaves in the Masonic Society, being independent small bodies without any governing head"; "Prior" is the correct and original title for the head of a Langue or nationality, and "Preceptor" for the subordinate bodies. The Preceptories were the ancient "Houses" of the Templar Order; "Commander" and "Commanderies" was the title used by the Order of St. John, commonly known as Knights of Malta.

6. The title by which the Order is now known is that of "The United Religious and Military Orders of the Temple and of St. John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes, and Malta." The Order of the Temple originally had no connection with that of Malta or Order of St. John; but the combined title appears to have been adopted in commemoration of the union which took place in Scotland with "The Temple and Hospital of St. John," when their lands were in common, at the time of the Reformation; but our Order of "St. John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes, and Malta" has no connection with the present knights of Malta in the Papal States, or of the Protestant branches of the Order, the lineal successors of the ancient knights of St. John, the sixth or English Langue of which is still in existence, and presided over, in London, by His Grace the Duke of Manchester. The Order, when it occupied the Island of Malta as a Sovereign Body, was totally unconnected with Freemasonry.

7. Honorary Past rank is abolished, substituting the chivalric dignities of "Grand Crosses" and "Commanders," limited in number, and confined to Preceptors. These honors to be conferred by His Royal Highness the

Grand Master, the Fountain of Grace and Dignity, and it is contemplated to create an order of merit, to be conferred in like manner, as a reward to Knights who have served the Order.

8. A Preceptor holds a degree as well as rank, and will always retain his rank and privileges as long as he belongs to a Preceptory.

9. The abolition of honorary past rank is not retrospective, as their rank and privileges are reserved to all those who now enjoy them.

10. The number of officers entitled to precedence has been reduced to seven, but others may be appointed at discretion, who do not, however, enjoy any precedence.

11. Equerries, or serving brethren, are not to receive the accolade, or use any but a brown habit, and shall not wear any insignia or jewel—they are to be addressed as "Frater" not Sir Knight. In the early days of the Order they were not entitled to the accolade, and with the Esquires, and men-at-arms, wore a dark habit to distinguish them from the Knights, who wore white, to signify that they were bound by their vows to cast away the works of darkness and lead a new life.

12. The apron is altogether discontinued, and a few immaterial alterations in the insignia will be duly regulated and promulgated; they do not, however, affect the present, but only apply to future, members of the order: the apron was of recent introduction, to accord with masonic usage, but reflection will at once show that, as an emblem of care and toil, it is entirely inappropriate to a military order whose badge is the sword—a proposition to confine the wearing of the star to Preceptors was negatived, the star and ribbon being in fact as much a part of the ritual as of the insignia of the Order.

13. From the number of instances of persons totally unfitted having obtained admission into the Order, the qualification of Candidates has been increased; a declaration is now required to be signed by every Candidate that he is of the full age of twenty-one-years, and in addition to being a Royal Arch Mason, that he is a Master Mason of two years standing, professing the doctrines of the Holy and Undivided Trinity, and willing to submit to the Statutes and Ordinances, present and future of the Order.

Candidates' names and avocations, with full particulars of their eligibility, must be submitted to the Chief Provincial authority, or Grand Prior, for his approval, and if he shall *not* within seven clear days after receipt of notice signify his disapproval, the names shall be submitted to ballot, which ballot must be unanimous, and no Candidate can be installed for a less sum than five guineas, or twenty-five dollars.

Preceptors should bear in mind, and impress it upon the members of their Preceptories, that the admission into the Templar Order is based on a foundation quite different to that on which admission into the Craft degrees rest; and no one should be admitted but those who, from their education, social position and conduct, as Masons, are entitled to and

obtain the respect of the outer world; but while the great object sought, is to keep the Order pure, there is no intention to remove the ancient landmarks by which all masons are bound together by common ties of brotherhood, extending from a Sovereign on his throne to the humblest of his subjects.

Although the requirements for admission insisted upon in the early days of the Chivalric Order are no longer necessary, it does not follow that every Mason seeking admission is to be received; for whether we look upon ourselves as the legitimate representatives of the ancient Order, or a revival during the last century in imitation of the Chivalry of the Temple under the auspices of the Masonic fraternity, it has now attained, with the HEIR TO THE THRONE as its governing head, and under the special patronage of HER MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY THE QUEEN, a high and firm footing, as an Order to belong to which should be considered both an honor and a privilege.

Having thus drawn your attention to the late alterations adopted in the Order, I have to point out to you that as the statutes of the Convent General provide for the formation of Great or National Priories in any of the Colonies or British possessions abroad, it has been considered expedient by the Committee appointed by me to enquire into the requirements of the Canadian branch of the Order, under the jurisdiction of the Great Priory of England, to recommend that a petition be sent to the Convent General, praying that the Grand Priory of the Dominion be now formed into a National Great Priory on the same footing as the other Great Priories under the Convent General.

I am, Eminent Sir Knight,  
In the bonds of the Order,  
Faithfully yours,

V. D. † S. A.

† W. J. B. McLEOD MOORE, 33<sup>o</sup>, &c.  
*Grand Prior, Dominion of Canada.*

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## APPENDIX B.

TO HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES, THE MOST EMINENT AND SUPREME GRAND MASTER, AND THE CONVENT GENERAL OF THE UNITED RELIGIOUS AND MILITARY ORDERS OF THE TEMPLE AND OF ST. JOHN OF JERUSALEM, PALESTINE, RHODES AND MALTA.

*The Memorial of the Templars of the several Preceptories of the United Religious and Military Orders of the Temple, and of St. John, of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes and Malta, in the Dominion of Canada, under the jurisdiction of the former Grand Conclave of England and Wales,—*

SHewETH :—

That on or about the year 1855 the Masonic Order in Canada, theretofore holding under the three parent jurisdictions of England, Scotland and Ireland, in view of the dignity and position which Canada had then assumed and bid fair to attain, sought by consolidation into a separate and self-governing organization, to secure a Masonic status commensurate therewith ; and it may be at once conceded that by thus bringing the craft into permanent local union the advancement of the best interests of Masonry were subserved ; and with the rapid, material and political progress of Canada, her Grand Lodge has kept pace, the impetus given, by opening up an extended field for Masonic operation, having enlisted the energies of many of the most gifted and talented brethren to give to Canadian Masonry a foremost and recognized position.

Nor could Royal Arch Masonry, the immediate prerequisite of the Templar order, be less honorably regarded, and the organization of the Grand Chapter of Canada, which followed closely that of the Grand Lodge, has been attended with no less happy and conspicuous results of rapid progress and national recognition. And it may be briefly added that the order of the A. & A. Rite, recognized by treaty with the Templar Body, and other leading Masonic organizations, have been awarded the full privileges of self-government in Canada.

These remarks seem appropriately introductory to the present memorial, which the Templar Order in Canada desire to present to the Convent-General, on its auspicious inauguration.

While Masonry was introduced into Canada at the earliest date of her settlement, and had attained proportions that in 1855 warranted the erection of the Grand Lodge of Canada, it was only in 1854 that to the energy of that distinguished Mason and Templar, Colonel W. J. B. McLEOD MOORE, Canada was indebted for the introduction of the Chivalric and Christian order of the Temple ; and to his judicious caution against its too rapid dissemination on the one hand, and a careful selection of opportunities on the other for promoting the true principles of the Order, your

Memorialists attribute the erection, of Canada into a Grand Priory with partial self-government in 1868, as an evidence of recognition as well of the success that had crowned the efforts of the worthy Sir Knight then created Grand Prior, as of the vast and commanding field of his operations, erected about the same time into the "Dominion of Canada."

The national position that Dominion has now attained, not unnaturally leads her Templars to desire that their prerogatives of self-government should not be less defined than those pertaining to her other Masonic organizations, and her contiguity to the great neighboring Republic especially incites the desire that Canadian Templarism should be now invested with a local status which will allow of mutual recognition and independent action.

The recent happy confederation of the national Templar Bodies of the Empire as Great Pories, under one grand governing power, the Convent General, graced by a patronage so august as that of HER MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY, and a Presidency so illustrious as that of THE HER TO THE THIRONE has, it need hardly be said, been watched with the highest interest by the Templars of the Dominion; and the provision in the statutes for erecting further Great Pories in the British Possessions, possessing the same internal powers of self-government reserved to each imperial nationality, furnishes the opportune moment for the admission of British North America into this national Templar Confederation; and as Canada, as a virtually self-governing Dominion or nationality, clings with the purest loyalty to its integration into the Empire, so do her Templars loyally desire to derive from and hold under the Convent General, that local status as a Great Priory, which will cause the order to be alike advanced in the Dominion and recognized by other nationalities.

The Templars of the Dominion of Canada therefore, under the warmest impulse of knightly courtesy and unswerving loyalty, present this their Memorial, with the fullest confidence that after careful consideration their erection into a Great Priory may be conceded as a step calculated to subserve the best interests of the Christian and Chivalric Orders of the Temple and Hospital in this vast Dominion and to perpetuate the ties of allegiance of a body which must, in the course of events, become one of the most powerful and influential under the Convent General.



(Signed.)

TORONTO, ONTARIO,  
DOMINION OF CANADA.  
25TH APRIL, 1873.

† SAMUEL B. HARMAN, 18°  
(Grand Z. of the Grand Chapter of Canada,  
and Past Dist. Grand Master of Grand  
Lodge of Canada, &c., &c., &c.)  
DEPUTY GRAND PRIOR.

† T. DOUGLAS HARINGTON, 33°  
(Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge,  
and Past Grand Z. of the Grand  
Chapter of Canada, Sov. Gr. Insp.  
Gen. and Rep. of S. . . G. . . C. . .  
of England and Wales, A. . . &  
A. . . Rite, &c. &c., &c.)  
PAST DEPUTY GRAND PRIOR.

† J. KIRKPATRICK KERR, 32°  
(Past District Deputy Grand Master of  
the Grand Lodge, and Past Grand  
J. of the Grand Chapter of Canada,  
and Past Grand J. and Rep. of  
Grand Chapter of Scotland &c.,  
&c., &c.)

PROVINCIAL GRAND COMMANDER FOR ONTARIO.

† THOMAS BIRD HARRIS, 33°  
(Grand Secretary Grand Lodge of Canada,  
Grand S. E. of the Grand Chapter  
of Canada, &c. &c., &c.)

PAST DEP. PRO. GR. COMMANDER AND GRAND  
CHANCELLOR OF GRAND PRIORY.

Committee on the Status of the Templar Order.



The above Memorial handed to me for transmission to the  
Convent General, is hereby certified under my hand as  
Grand Prior and the Seal of the Grand Priory of the  
Dominion.

† W. J. B. McLEOD MOORE, 33°

GRAND PRIOR, DOMINION OF CANADA.

† THOS. B. HARRIS, 33°

GRAND CHANCELLOR.

APPENDIX C.

15 Portugal Street, Lincoln's Inn, London, 18th June, 1873.

VERY EMINENT SIR:—I am directed by the Arch Chancellor to  
acknowledge the receipt through yourself of a Memorial to His Royal  
Highness the Prince of Wales the Most Eminent and Supreme Grand  
Master, and the Convent General of the United Religious and Military  
Orders of the Temple and of St. John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes, and

Malta, of the Templars of the several Preceptories in the Dominion of Canada under the jurisdiction of the former Grand Conclave of England and Wales, signed by a Committee on the status of the Templar Order, requesting that the Preceptories in Canada may be erected into a National Great Priory under the Convent General, and I have in reply to assure you that the claims put forward will be taken into favorable consideration at the next Meeting of the Convent General.

I remain,

Very Eminent Sir,

Yours very fraternally,

† WM. TINKLER,  
*Vice Arch-Chancellor.*

Very Eminent Sir Knight,  
COLONEL W. J. BURY McLEOD MOORE,  
Grand Prior, &c., &c.,  
Dominion of Canada.

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APPENDIX D.

EXTRACTS FROM PROCEEDINGS OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR  
"UNITED STATES OF AMERICA"—BALTIMORE, MARYLAND—SEPTEMBER 19TH  
TO 23RD, 1871.

*Report of Special Committee on Foreign Affairs*—Red Cross knights of Canada.

*Resolved*:—"That desirous of drawing closer the bonds of amity and friendship with our *Canadian Fratres* and facilitating the exercise of Knightly visitation by them in commanderies within the United States, we affirm the decision of the Grand Master, (page 102) and recognize the Knights of the illustrious Order of the Red Cross made in Canada under such authority as may be duly recognized there,

On Motion, the Report, with resolutions, was adopted.

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RULES AND EDICTS, AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT  
—UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, A. D. 1871.—29 [11] RED CROSS KNIGHTS OF  
CANADA.

*Resolved*,—That the Grand Encampment affirms the decision of the Grand Master (page 82-102) and recognizes Knights of the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross made in Canada under such authority as may be duly recognized there.

[True Extracts.]

† W. J. B. McLEOD MOORE, 33°.  
*Grand Prior Dominion of Canada.*

The following Resolutions were thereupon unanimously adopted :

Moved by Eminent † Frater Rev. Vincent Clementi, seconded by Eminent † Frater W. B. Simpson, and

*Resolved*,— That the thanks of this Grand Priory be and the same are hereby tendered to the Very Eminent the Grand Prior for his very able and courteous address.

Moved by very Eminent † Frater James A. Henderson, seconded by Eminent † Frater A. S. Kirkpatrick, and

*Resolved*,— That 500 copies of the Grand Prior's address be printed for the use of the members of the various preceptories in Canada.

The Grand Chancellor submitted his annual statement of moneys received during the past year, with Books, etc., and likewise his statement as Grand Treasurer with vouchers of the expenditures, which were received and referred to the Committee on audit, as follows :

### GRAND CHANCELLORS STATEMENT.

ANNUAL STATEMENT—1873.

Very Eminent † Frater THOMAS BIRD HARRIS, Grand Chancellor, in account with Grand Priory :—

Balance from last year.....	\$ c.
Hugh de Payens, Kingston.....	211 88
Geoffrey de St. Aldemar, Toronto.....	194 13
Godfrey de Bouillon, Hamilton.....	62 37
Richard Cœur de Lion, London.....	67 38
King Baldwin, Belleville.....	35 50
Plantagenet, St. Catharines.....	74 88
Richard Cœur de Lion, Montreal.....	25 62
Sussex, Stanstead.....	104 00
Huronario, Collingwood.....	.....
Mount Calvary, Orillia.....	39 90
Moore, Peterboro.....	232 50
Harrington, Trenton.....	26 09
St John the Almoner, Whitby.....	.....
Gondemar, Maitland.....	75 50
Odo de St. Amand, Toronto.....	19 75
Palestine, Port Hope.....	.....
	32 12

\$1,202 52

## RECAPITULATION.

To Balance on hand.....	\$211 88	By Grand Treasurer.....	\$211 88
" Cash from Preceptories.	990 64	" " " .....	990 64
	<u>\$1,202 52</u>		<u>\$1,202 52</u>

## BALANCES IN LEDGER—1873.

27. Hugh de Payens, Kingston.....	December, 1872....	00 00
29. Geoffrey de St. Aldemar, Toronto.....	" " .....	00 00
33. Godfrey de Bouillon, Hamilton.....	" " .....	00 00
35. Richard Cœur de Lion, London.....	" " .....	00 00
37. King Baldwin, Belleville.....	" " .....	00 00
39. Plantagenet, St. Catharines.....	" " .....	00 00
41. Richard Cœur de Lion, Montreal.....	" " .....	00 00
43. Sussex, Stanstead.....	May, " .....	4 12
45. Hurontario, Collingwood.....	December, " .....	95 38
47. Mount Calvary, Orillia.....	" " .....	00 00
49. Moore, Peterboro.....	" " .....	118 88
51. Harington, Trenton.....	" " .....	00 00
53. St. John the Almoner, Whitby.....	" 1870.....	00 00
55. Gondemar, Maitland.....	" 1872.....	00 00
51. Odo de St. Amand, Toronto.....	" " .....	00 00
53. Palestine, Port Hope.....	" 1871.....	11 00
	" 1872.....	2 00

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ANNUAL STATEMENT.

Very Eminent † Frater THOMAS BIRD HARRIS, Grand Treasurer, in account with Grand Priory.

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1872.						
August 30th.....To Cash.....	\$211	88	August 30.....By Paid Grand Prior.....			
July 31st.....To Cash.....	990	64	“ “ “ “ Grand Chancellor.....			50 00
			“ “ “ “ “ for Incidentals.....			100 00
			September 19.. “ “ P.O.O. to England, £1 6s. 3d.....			16 60
			December 17.. “ “ Owen Brothers, engraving.....			6 84
						4 00
1873.						
March 6th..... “ “ S. G. C. remittance			March 6th..... “ “ S. G. C. remittance	18	7	0
“ 13th..... “ “ “			“ 13th..... “ “ “	3	3	9
April 3rd..... “ “ “			“ 3rd..... “ “ “	29	1	9
“ 24th..... “ “ “			“ 24th..... “ “ “	24	16	0
May 5th..... “ “ “			“ 5th..... “ “ “	10	10	0
“ 7th..... “ “ “			“ 7th..... “ “ “	5	3	9
“ 15th..... “ “ “			“ 15th..... “ “ “	18	0	3
June 11th..... “ “ P. O. O.			June 11th..... “ “ P. O. O.	1	1	3
July 31st..... “ “ Grand Chancellor for Statutes.....			July 31st..... “ “ Grand Chancellor for Statutes.....			
“ “ “ “ Lawson, McCulloch & Co., printing.....			“ “ “ “ Lawson, McCulloch & Co., printing.....			
Balance.....			Balance.....			
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						15 54
						141 56
						121 30
						51 35
						25 38
						88 29
						5 44
						10 00
						19 25
						457 64
						\$1,202 52

The Grand Priory was called off for refreshment, to meet on to-morrow, Friday morning, at 10 o'clock, A.M.

FRIDAY, August 15, 1873.

The Grand Priory resumed its sittings in the Masonic Templar's Hall at 10.30 o'clock, A.M.

The Very High and Eminent † Frater W. J. B. McLEOD MOORE, Grand Prior, Presiding.

Grand Officers and Members.

The Grand Chancellor by direction of the Very Eminent the Grand Prior, read the memorial which had been prepared by the Committee appointed at the last annual Assembly, for the purpose of inquiring into and reporting upon such matters as might be thought necessary for promoting the future prosperity of the Templar orders in Canada. (See Appendix B to Grand Prior's address, page 209.)

The Very Eminent the Grand Prior read the letter of acknowledgment of said memorial which had been received by him from the Vice-Arch Chancellor, and commented on its satisfactory tenor. (See Appendix C to address, page 211.)

Whereupon the following Resolutions were adopted :

Moved by Very Eminent † Frater James A. Henderson, seconded by Eminent † Frater Henry Robertson, and

*Resolved*—That this Grand Priory highly approves the action of the Committee in the preparation of and the transmission of the foregoing Memorial to the Convent General, and at the same time fully concurs in the sentiments therein set forth.

Moved by Very Eminent † Frater James A. Henderson, seconded by Eminent † Frater W. B. Simpson, and

*Resolved*—That the thanks of Grand Priory are due and are hereby tendered to the Committee for their services in the preparation of the foregoing Memorial.

Moved by Eminent † Frater N. Gordon Bigelow, seconded by Very Eminent † Frater James A. Henderson, and

*Resolved*—That a duplicate copy of the memorial to the Convent General, and of the letter of acknowledgment of the same from the Arch-Vice Chancellor, be transmitted to the Great Priory of England and Wales, with an expression both of a courteous desire, and confident reliance, that the same may receive the advocacy and recommendation of our Mother Great Priory, of England, and of the Great Prior of England the V. H. and Eminent † Frater the Earl of Limerick to ensure its adoption, as a movement fraught with the most important results in the advancement of the Great Order of the Temple in the Dominion of Canada.

Moved by Very Eminent † Frater James A. Henderson, seconded by Eminent † Frater W. B. Simpson, and

*Resolved*—That the Grand Prior do nominate a Committee for the purpose of revising the Statutes of the Grand Priory, and that they report at the next Special or Annual Assembly of this Grand Priory.

The Grand Prior made further reference to the authority for conferring the Red Cross Degree of the United States by Preceptories in the Dominion of Canada, and caused the extracts from the proceedings of the Grand Encampment of the United States relating thereto to be read. (See appendix D to address, page 212.)

The Grand Chancellor submitted and read the following correspondence and documents which he had received from the Province of New Brunswick, having reference to the formation of a Great Priory for the Dominion of Canada, which were received and ordered to be entered on the minutes.

ST. JOHN, New Brunswick, 30th July, 1873.

VERY EMINENT SIR,—I exceedingly regret that circumstances beyond my control, will prevent my being present at the Meeting of the "GRAND

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CONCLAVE," at Kingston in August next. I am glad, however, to be enabled to add that THE UNION DE MOLAY PRECEPTORY No. 104, E. R., will be represented by our Eminent Preceptor D. R. MUNRO, 33°, who is clothed with plenary powers on behalf of said Preceptory, as you will no doubt be officially advised.

Very Fraternaly and Courteously Yours,

‡ R. MARSHALL, 33°.  
G. S. P.

V. E. SIR KT. T. B. HARRIS, Esq. }  
Grand Chancellor, &c., &c., &c. }  
HAMILTON, ONT.

THE UNION DE MOLAY PRECEPTORY AND PRIORY.

No. 104, E. R.

SAINT JOHN, New Brunswick, July 28th, 1873.

VERY EMINENT SIR AND FRATER :

I have the honor to enclose herewith a copy of Resolutions unanimously adopted by the above Preceptory at a special meeting held June 20th, 1873, and duly transmitted to the PROVINCIAL GRAND CONCLAVE of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, also please find enclosed Resolutions under seal of the Preceptory authorizing the Eminent Preceptor of said Preceptory, and giving him plenary power to act as Delegate at the Assembly of the GRAND CONCLAVE of the Dominion of Canada, or any meeting of the Fraters of said GRAND CONCLAVE held for the purpose or taking measures to establish a Great Priory for the Dominion under the Convent General of the Empire.

I am, Very Eminent Sir,  
In the Bonds of our Order,  
Courteously Yours,

A. D. GOODWIN, 32°.  
Registrar.

To VERY EMINENT T. B. HARRIS, 33°. }  
Grand-Chancellor, }  
Grand Conclave, Canada, Hamilton, Ont. }



THE UNION DEMOLAY PRECEPTORY AND PRIORY, No. 104 E.R.

MASONIC HALL, PRINCESS STREET,

ST. JOHN, N.B., July 28th, 1873.

Copy of Resolutions unanimously adopted by Preceptory, at Special Conclave, held June 20th, A.D., 1873, as follows :—

Whereas,—“It has come to the knowledge of the Union DeMolay Preceptory and Priory, No. 104 E.R., that the Provincial Grand Conclave of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, will hold a Special Convocation of said Grand Conclave, at Halifax, on Monday evening, the 30th June, 1873, at eight o'clock, for the purpose of taking into consideration the subject of a memorial issued by the Very Eminent Sir Knight W. J. B. McLeod Moore, of Canada, Grand Prior, and addressed to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, the Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master, and the Convent General of the Empire, praying for the erection of a Great Priory for Canada.

Therefore Resolved,—“That this Preceptory and Priory cordially approves of the establishment of such “Great Priory,” in so far as it is competent for it to do so, and will ratify and confirm whatever may be done to the end in view, by said Provincial Grand Conclave of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, in the Premises ; and

Further Resolved,—“That a Copy of this Resolution be sent under seal to the said Grand Conclave.”

Witness my hand and Seal of Preceptory and Priory.



A. D. GOODWIN,  
Registrar.

THE UNION DEMOLAY PRECEPTORY AND PRIORY, No. 104, E.R.

MASONIC HALL, PRINCESS STREET,

ST. JOHN, N.B., July 24th, 1873.

Whereas,—“The members of the Union DeMolay Preceptory and Priory, No. 104 E.R., have learned that the Memorial of the Templars of Preceptories of Dominion of Canada, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Conclave of England and Wales, bearing date Toronto, Ontario, 25th April, 1873, addressed to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, the Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master, and the Convent General of the

United Religious, and Military Orders of the Temple and of St. John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes and Malta, had been duly received in England, and that the reply to the Very Eminent Prior of Canada is as satisfactory as it could possibly be ; and

*Whereas,*—“ The Fratres of this Preceptory feel that the erection of a Great Priory for Canada, under the Convent General of the Empire, in accordance with the terms arranged by the Parent Grand Bodies, is a step calculated to subserve the best interests of the Christian and Chivalric Orders of the Temple and Hospital in this Dominion ; therefore it is unanimously

*Resolved,*—“ That the Eminent Preceptor David Ransom Munro, 33° .. be and is hereby appointed a Delegate to attend the Annual Assembly of the Grand Priory of the Dominion, to be held at the City of Kingston, in the month of August next ensuing, or any other meeting of said Fratres held for the purpose of considering this important matter ; and

*Further Resolved,*—“ That the said Eminent Preceptor is hereby authorized and given plenary power to act on behalf of this Preceptory and Priory, in the establishment of a Great Priory for Canada as aforesaid, and for which purpose this shall be his sufficient authority.



A. D. GOODWIN,  
*Registrar.*

It was moved by Eminent † Frater H<sup>3</sup> A. Mackay, seconded by Eminent † Frater N. Gordon Bigelow,

*Resolved,*—“ That the following accounts having been examined and found correct. the same be paid, viz :

Rowsell & Hutchison, printing.....	\$29 00
Contingencies Deputy Grand Prior.....	5 00
Contingencies Grand Chancellor.....	16 10
Lawson, McCulloch & Co.....	5 00
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The Audit Committee to whom was referred the statements of the Grand Chancellor and Treasurer, submitted the following report :

*To the Very High and Eminent the Grand Prior and Officers of the Grand Priory for the Dominion of Canada :*

Your Audit Committee having examined the books, vouchers and statements of the Grand Chancellor, report

the same to be correct, the balance of cash on hand amounting to \$457.64.

Fraternally submitted,

‡ T. DOUGLAS HARINGTON,

‡ H. A. MACKAY,

*Auditors.*

KINGSTON, ONT., 14th August, 1873.

It was moved by Very Eminent ‡ Frater James A. Henderson, seconded by Eminent ‡ Frater W. B. Simpson, and

*Resolved*,—That the sum of one hundred dollars, (\$100.00) be annually placed to the credit of the Grand Chancellor for his services rendered to Grand Priory.

It was moved by Eminent ‡ Frater H. A. Mackay, seconded by Eminent Frater ‡ N. Gordon Bigelow, and

*Resolved*,—“That the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of the funds of Grand Priory be placed at the disposal of the Very High and Eminent the Grand Prior for incidental expenses.

The ballot having been taken for the election of Grand Treasurer, it was declared to be in favor of Eminent ‡ Frater H. A. Mackay.

The following named Fraters were elected to serve as the Executive Committee for the ensuing year, viz :

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| Very Eminent ‡ | Frater T. DOUGLAS HARINGTON, Ottawa. |
| “ “ ‡          | “ JAMES A. HENDERSON, Kingston.      |
| “ “ ‡          | “ THOS. BIRD HARRIS, Hamilton.       |
| “ ‡            | “ A. A. STEVENSON, Montreal.         |
| “ ‡            | “ JAMES SEYMOUR, St. Catharines,     |
| “ ‡            | “ JAMES K. KERR, Toronto.            |

It was moved by Very Eminent ‡ Frater T. Douglas Harington, seconded by Eminent ‡ Frater H. A. Mackay, and unanimously

*Resolved*,—That the thanks of this Grand Priory are due and are hereby tendered to the Sir Knights of the Hugh de Payens Preceptory for the very satisfactory arrangements made for the holding of this Annual Assembly, as also for the hospitalities extended to the Representatives.

The Very Eminent the Grand Prior has been pleased to announce the following as the Roll of Grand Officers for the ensuing year, viz :

Very Eminent †	Sir Knight	Colonel W. J. B. McLEOD MOORE, 33 <sup>o</sup> , Grand Cross, Grand Prior for the Dominion of Canada.
"	" †	SAMUEL B. HARMAN, 18 <sup>o</sup> , Grand Sub-Prior for the Dominion of Canada.
"	" †	T. DOUGLAS HARRINGTON, 33 <sup>o</sup> , Past Grand Sub-Prior for the Dominion of Canada.
"	" †	THOS. BIRD HARRIS, 33 <sup>o</sup> , Grand Chancellor for the Dominion of Canada.
"	" †	JAMES A. HENDERSON, Provincial Prior, Eastern Division, Ontario.
"	" †	JAMES K. KERR, 33 <sup>o</sup> , Provincial Prior, Centre Division, Ontario.
"	" †	THOS. BIRD HARRIS, 33 <sup>o</sup> , Provincial Prior, Western Division, Ontario.
"	" †	A. A. STEVENSON, Provincial Prior, Quebec
"	" †	W. B. SIMPSON, Grand Constable.
Eminent †	"	G. H. F. DARTNELL, " Marshal.
"	" †	Rev. V. CLEMENTI, M.A., " Prelate.
"	" †	HUGH A. MACKAY, 33 <sup>o</sup> " Treasurer.
"	" †	JOHN W. MURTON, 33 <sup>o</sup> , " Registrar.
"	" †	JOHN J. MASON, 32 <sup>o</sup> , " Vice Chncl'r.
"	" †	Rev. JAS. C. SMITH, " Chaplain.
"	" †	Rev. GEO. H. BRIDGEMAN, " "
"	" †	N. G. BIGELOW, 18 <sup>o</sup> , " Sub-Marshal.
"	" †	H. G. SUMMERS, " Ass't do.
"	" †	JOHN DUMBRILLE, 32 <sup>o</sup> , " Almoner.
"	" †	A. G. SMYTH, " War. of Reg.
"	" †	J. MOORE IRWIN, " 1st Herald,
"	" †	DAVID PITCEATHLY, " 2nd Herald.
"	" †	ISAAC H. STEARNS, 32 <sup>o</sup> , " 1st Stn'dBrer.
"	" †	DAVID McLELLAN, 30 <sup>o</sup> , " 2nd "
"	" †	J. G. A. LEBLANC, 32 <sup>o</sup> , " Prior's Ban'rBr.
"	" †	JAS. GREENFIELD, " 1st A. D. C.
"	" †	J. B. NIXON, " 2nd A. D. C.
"	" †	YEOMAN GIBSON, " Chamberlain.
"	" †	A. F. HUFFMAN, " Asst. "
"	" †	JOHN NETTLETON, " 1st Cpt. of Grd.
"	" †	THOS. G. SPICKETT, " 2nd " "
"	" †	JOHN SATCHELL, " Sword Bearer.
"	" †	HENRY CLAY HOUEL " Organist.
"	" †	THOS. ATKINSON, " Pursuivant.
"	" †	G. D. DICKSON, " Guard.

The Very Eminent the Grand Prior has been pleased to appoint the following as a Special Committee on revision of Statutes viz : The Grand Sub-Prior Very Eminent † Sir Knight SAMUEL B. HARMAN ; The Executive Committee, named above, and Very Eminent Sir Knights the Grand Prelate, the Grand Constable, and the Grand Marshal.

The labors of the Grand Priory being ended it was closed in ancient form.



*S. B. Harman*

*Past Grand Sub-Prior of England and Wales.  
Pro. Prior Western Division, Ontario.  
GRAND CHANCELLOR.*

**Roll of Preceptories and Priories**  
 OF THE  
**United Orders of the Temple and Hospital,**  
*Under the Great Priory of England and Wales.*  
 IN THE  
**PROVINCES OF ONTARIO AND QUEBEC,**  
 DOMINION OF CANADA.

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"HUGH DE PAYENS," Kingston, Ont.—Warrant dated 12th February, 1824—Meets on second Monday in January, April, July and October, and second Friday in May.

Very Eminent Sir Knight JAMES A. HENDERSON, Eminent Preceptor.  
 " " JOHN V. NOEL, Registrar.

*Past Eminent Preceptors.*

V. E. Sir Knight	W. J. B. MCLEOD MOORE,	.....	1854.
" "	JAMES A. HENDERSON,	.....	1855.
" "	S. D. FOWLER,	.....	1858.
" "	JOHN KERR,	.....	1860.
" "	G. F. LASERRE,	.....	1862.
" "	JOHN BRYCE,	.....	1864.
" "	W. B. SIMPSON,	.....	1865.
" "	ALEXANDER S. KIRKPATRICK,	.....	1866.
" "	E. H. PARKER,	.....	1866.
" "	HARWOOD E. SWALES,	.....	1868.

"GEOFFREY DE ST. ALDEMAR," Toronto, Ont.—Warrant dated 8th November, 1854.—Meets second Friday in every month.  
 Eminent Sir Knight FRED. J. MENET, Eminent Preceptor.  
 " " JAMES NORRIS, Registrar.

*Past Eminent Preceptors.*

V. E. Sir Knight	SAMUEL B. HARMAN,.....	1855.
" " "	FRANCIS RICHARDSON,.....	1856.
" " "	THOMAS GIBBS RIDOUT,.....	1857.
" " "	T. DOUGLAS HARINGTON,.....	1858.
" " "	WILLIAM G. STORM,.....	1859.
" " "	WILLIAM HAY,.....	1860.
" " "	JAMES K. KERR,.....	1870.
" " "	AUGUSTUS T. HOUEL,.....	1871.

"GODFREY DE BOUILLON," Hamilton, Ont.—Warrant dated 25th Oct., 1855.—Meets first Friday of every month.

Eminent Sir Knight HUGH A. MACKAY, Eminent Preceptor.  
" " THOS. G. SPICKETT, Registrar.

*Past Eminent Preceptors.*

V. E. Sir Knight	THOMAS BIRD HARRIS,.....	1855.
" " "	W. MERCER WILSON,.....	1859.
" " "	THOMAS MCCRAKEN,.....	1863.
" " "	C. D. MACDONNELL, (honorary)....	1864.
" " "	JOHN W. MURTON,.....	1866.
" " "	WILLIAM REID,.....	1869.

"RICHARD CŒUR DE LION," London, Ont.—Warrant dated 29th May, 1857.—Meets on the second Friday in every month.

Eminent Sir Knight ALFRED G. SMYTH, Eminent Preceptor.  
" " JOHN B. SMYTH, Registrar.

*Past Eminent Preceptors.*

E Sir Knight	THOMPSON WILSON,.....	1857.
" " "	JAMES MOFFAT,.....	1859.
" " "	WILLIAM MUIR,.....	1861.
" " "	THOMAS MCCRAKEN,.....	1862.

"KING BALDWIN," Belleville, Ont.—Warrant dated 9th June, 1861.—Meets first Monday in January, April, July and October.

Eminent Sir Knight L. H. HENDERSON, Eminent Preceptor.  
" " R. GORDON, Registrar.

*Past Eminent Preceptors.*

E. Sir Knight	JOHN C. FRANCK,.....	1851.
" " "	ALFRED A. CAMPBELL,.....	1862.
" " "	LAWRENCE H. HENDERSON,.....	1867.
" " "	EBER C. FLINT,.....	1872.

"RICHARD CŒUR DE LION," Montreal, Que.—Warrant dated 5th Dec-ember, 1863.—Meets fourth Thursday in every month.

Eminent Sir Knight ISAAC H. STEARNS, Eminent Preceptor.  
" " WILLIAM YOUNG, Registrar.

*Past Eminent Preceptors.*

E. Sir Knight ALEXANDER A. STEVENSON,.....1863.  
" " E. M. COPELAND,.....1872,  
" SUSSEX," Stanstead, Que.—Warrant dated 30th May, 1867.— Meets  
Wednesday next preceding full moon in March, June, September and Dec-  
ember.

Eminent Sir Knight C. H. KATHAN, Eminent Preceptor.  
" " GEO. D. WYMAN, Registrar.

*Past Eminent Preceptor.*

E. Sir Knight WILLIAM B. COLBY,.....1867.  
" PLANTAGANET," St. Catharines, Ont.—Warrant dated 14th November,  
1867.—Meets second Monday in January, April, July and October.  
Eminent Sir Knight ISAAC P. WILLSON, Eminent Preceptor.  
" " DAVID T. SCHOLFIELD, Registrar.

*Past Eminent Preceptors.*

E. Sir Knight JAMES SEYMOUR, .....1867.  
" " EDWIN GOODMAN,.....1869.  
" HURONTARIO," Collingwood, Ont.—Warrant dated 10th April, 1869.—  
Meets third Monday in every month.  
Eminent Sir Knight HENRY ROBERTSON, Eminent Preceptor.  
" " E. R. CARPENTER, Registrar.

*Past Eminent Preceptor.*

E. Sir Knight HENRY ROBERTSON,.....1869.  
" MOUNT CALVARY," Orillia, Ont.—Warrant dated 15th April, 1870.—  
Meets first Monday in January, April, July and October.  
Eminent Sir Knight H. G. SUMMERS, Eminent Preceptor.  
" " A. F. DULMAGE, Registrar.

*Past Eminent Preceptors.*

E. Sir Knight ROBERT RAMSAY,.....1870.  
" " M. H. SPENCER,.....1870.  
" " C. SCHOMBERG ELLIOTT,.....1871.  
" MOORE," Peterboro', Ont.—Warrant dated 27th May, 1870.—Meets  
second Monday in March, April, June, September and December.  
Eminent Sir Knight C. D. MACDONNELL, Eminent Preceptor.  
" " JOHN TURVER, Registrar.

*Past Eminent Preceptors.*

V. E. Sir Knight C. D. MACDONNELL,.....1870.  
" " REV. V. CLEMENTI,.....1871.  
" " R. KINGAID,.....1872.



"HARINGTON," Trenton, Ont.—Warrant dated 14th April, 1871.—Meets first Monday in every month.

Eminent Sir Knight H. W. DAY, Eminent Preceptor.

" " JAMES YOUNG, Registrar.

"ST. JOHN THE ALMONER,"—Whitby, Ont.—Warrant dated 8th March, 1872.—Meets second Tuesday in each month.

Eminent Sir Knight GEO. H. F. DARTNELL, Eminent Preceptor.

" " THOS. HUSTON, Registrar.

"GONDEMAR," Maitland, Ont.—Warrant dated 3rd May, 1872.—Meets Thursday nearest full moon in January, April, July and October.

Eminent Sir Knight JOHN DUMBRILLE, Eminent Preceptor.

" " DAVID MAXWELL, Registrar.

*Past Eminent Preceptor.*

Eminent Sir Knight GEO. C. LONGLEY.

"ODO DE ST. AMAND," Toronto, Ont.—Warrant dated 7th May, 1872.—Meets first Friday of every month.

Eminent Sir Knight W. C. MORRISON, Eminent Preceptor.

" " JOSHUA H. CORNISH, Registrar.

*Past Eminent Preceptor.*

Eminent Sir Knight N. GORDON BIGELOW.

"PALESTINE," Port Hope, Ont.—Warrant dated July, 1872.—Meets fourth Thursday of every month.

Eminent Sir Knight JAMES MOORE IRWIN, Eminent Preceptor.

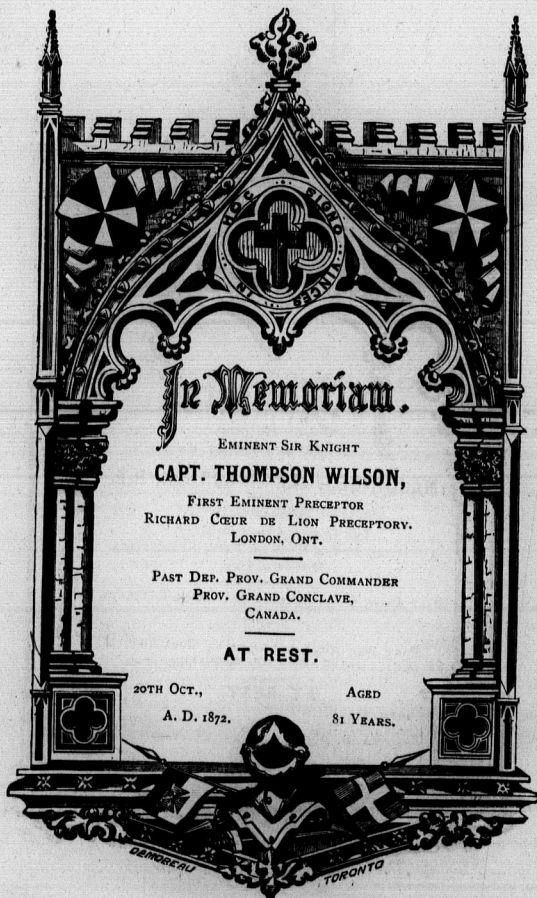
" " E. PEPLOW, JUN., Registrar.

## GRAND CHANCELLORS.

ENGLAND.—Sir Patrick Mac C. de Colquhoun.....London.  
 “ Wm. Tinkler, Vice Chancellor, 15 Portugal St.,  
 Lincoln's Inn Fields, W. C..... “  
 SCOTLAND.—Dr. Sommerville,.....Edinburgh.  
 IRELAND.—Charles T. Walmisley.....Dublin.  
 G. G. ENCAMPMENT, U. S. A.—Theodore S. Parvin.....Iowa City.

### GRAND RECORDERS OF G. COMMANDERIES, U. S.

Alabama.....	Daniel Sayre.....	Montgomery.
Arkansas.....	John W. Rison.....	Little Rock.
California.....	Charles L. Wiggin.....	San Francisco.
Connecticut.....	John W. Steadman.....	Norwich.
Georgia.....	C. R. Armstrong.....	Macon.
Illinois.....	James H. Miles.....	Chicago.
Indiana.....	John M. Branwell.....	Indianapolis.
Iowa.....	Wm. P. Langridge.....	Muscatine.
Kansas.....	E. T. Carr.....	Leavenworth.
Kentucky.....	Wm. C. Munger.....	Franklin.
Louisiana.....	Gustavus Sontag.....	New Orleans.
Maine.....	Ira Berry.....	Portland.
Maryland.....	Frank J. Kugler.....	Baltimore.
Mass. & R. Island.....	A. F. Chapman.....	Boston.
Minnesota.....	E. D. B. Porter.....	St. Paul.
Michigan.....	William P. Innis.....	Grand Rapids.
Mississippi.....	J. L. Power.....	Jackson.
Missouri.....	Geo. Frank Gouley.....	St. Louis.
Nebraska.....	Thos. A. Creigh.....	Brownville.
New Hampshire.....	John A. Harris.....	Concord.
New Jersey.....	Thos. J. Corson.....	Trenton.
New York.....	Robt. Macoy.....	New York City.
Ohio.....	James Nesbitt.....	Troy.
Pennsylvania.....	C. E. Myer.....	Philadelphia.
Tennessee.....	John Frizzell.....	Nashville.
Texas.....	Robert Brewster.....	Houston.
Vermont.....	W. H. S. Whitcomb.....	Burlington.
Virginia.....	John Dove.....	Richmond.
Wisconsin.....	Wm. T. Palmer.....	Milwaukee.



“ Sleep well our brother,  
Though sleeping with the dust,  
Shalt thou not rise again ;  
Rise with the just.”



" His form is dust,  
And his good sword is rust,  
His soul is with the Saints we trust."

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# In Memoriam.

SIR KNIGHT

**RICHARD DOWSE, M.D.,**

INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF HOSPITALS,  
ARMY MEDICAL STAFF,  
ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF THE ORDER IN CANADA.

PAST FIRST CAPTAIN,

HUGH DE PAYENS PRECEPTORY,

KINGSTON, ONT.,

CANADA.

**AT REST.**

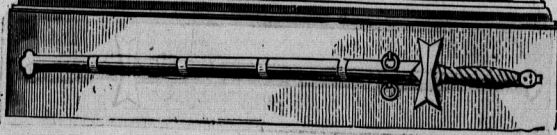
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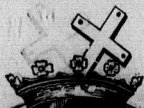
AGED

83 YEARS.

" Thy battle scenes are o'er,  
Thy palm of victory won;  
And, hark ! a voice from heaven proclaims,  
Servant of God well done."



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*In Memoriam.*

SIR KNIGHT

**ALFIO DEGRASSI,**

PAST FIRST CAPTAIN,

GROFFREY DE ST. ALDEMAR PRECEPTORY,

TORONTO, ONT.

PAST GRAND HOSPITALLER

PROV. GRAND CONCLAVE,

CANADA.

**AT REST.**

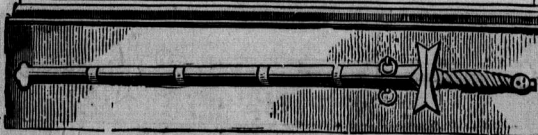
9TH MAY,

A. D. 1873.

AGED

60 YEARS.

" Our Brother does not die,  
But, in his Saviour, slumbers there."



*mis-prints in the text.*

et Cornubiæ Dux ;  
Ebla t in exercitibus regiis Dux ;  
Magister ;  
tis Eques ;  
lymitani ;

nitis, Glentworthi  
a Stacpolensi  
censium Tribuni ;

Omnibus in N. DCCLIV. in Præceptoreo apud

Cu sterum jure pertinentibus  
ussimus  
N. DCCLV.

*His* (Signature) MILITE—KNIGHT  
CANCELLA (Signature) PRÆCEPTOR—PRÆCEPTOR  
REGISTRA

d Cornwall ;  
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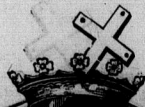
To all the of our Order 754, in the Præceptory at

awfully apertaining.  
e seal of our Order.  
of our Order 755.

*These b*

salvatoris Nostri Jesu Christi.

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**In Memoriam.**

SIR KNIGHT

**ALFIO DEGRASSI,**

PAST FIRST CAPTAIN,

GEOFFREY DE ST. ALDEMAR PRECEPTORY,  
TORONTO, ONT.

PAST GRAND HOSPITALLER

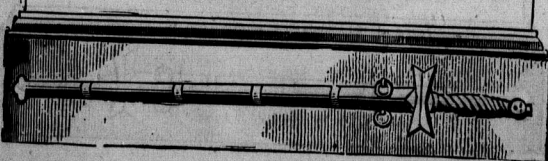
PROV. GRAND CONCLAVE,  
CANADA.

**AT REST.**

9TH MAY,  
A.D. 1873.

AGED  
60 YEARS.

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GREAT PRIORY OF ENGLAND

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*Translation of the New Templar Certificate. It also corrects the punctuation and one or two obvious mis-prints in the text.*

Militia Templi.

In nomine Sacrosanctæ et Individuæ Trinitatis

Nos, Albertus Edoardus, Cambriæ Princeps; Caledoniæ Seneschallus; Saxoniam, Rothsaia, et Cornubiæ Dux;  
Eblanæ, Carrictæ, et Devanæ Comes; Renfrua Vir et Insularum Dominus; e secretis Dominae Reginae; et in exercitibus regis Dux;  
Liberorum Lapidarum Archimagister Emeritus; et Medii Templi Societatis de Banco Magister;  
Subligaculi, Cardui, Sancti Patricii, Balnei, Stellæ Indicae, Aurei Velleris, et Elephantis Eques;  
Juris Utriusque Doctor; etc., etc., etc.  
Dei gratiâ, et Fratrum suffragiis Commilitonum Christi et Templi Salomonis Hierosolymitani;  
Summus et Supremus Magister.

Consilio prædilecti nostri Gulielmi Halæ Johannis Caroli, Limericensis Comititis et Vicecomitis, Glentworthi  
In Comitatu Corcagiæ inter proceres Hiberniæ Viri et Domini; necnon et Foxforti de aula Stacpolensi  
In Comitatu Clarensi inter proceres Magnæ Britanniae Viri et Domini; et Militum Limericensium Tribuni;  
Magni-Prioris Angliæ.

Omnibus in Christo Fidelibus notum facimus quod Die Sancti\* , † A. S. N. I. C. MDCCCLXXII † O. N. DCLIV. in Preceptoreo apud  
[Name of Place and Preceptory]

Sollennitur receptus, professus, et creatus fuit miles

[Name of Knight]

Cum omnibus et singulis privilegiis, honoribus, et immunitatibus ad prædictum statum nunc aut in posterum jure pertinentibus  
In cujus rei testimonium has literas patentes fieri et sigillo ordinis nostri roborari jussimus  
Datum Londini, Die Sancti\* , † A. S. N. I. C. MDCCCLXXIII. † O. N. DCLV.

*His Testibus*  
CANCELLARIO—CHANCELLOR (Signature)  
REGISTRARIO—REGISTRAR (Signature)

[SEAL]

[MOTTO]

(Signature) MILITE—KNIGHT  
(Signature) PRÆCEPTOR—PRECEPTOR

Pauperes commilitones Christi et Templi Salomonis

Soldiery of the Temple.

In the name of the most Holy and Undivided Trinity  
We, Albert Edward, Prince of Wales; High Steward of Scotland; Duke of Saxony, Rothsay and Cornwall;  
Earl of Dublin, Carrick and Chester; Baron of Renfrew and Lord of the Isles; of the Privy Council of our Lady the Queen; and a General in the Army;  
Past Grand Master of the Freemasons; and a Bencher of the Society of the Middle Temple;  
Knight of the Garter, the Thistle, Saint Patrick. The Bath; the Star of India. the Golden Fleece, and the Elephant;  
Doctor of Laws; &c., &c., &c.

By the Grace of God, and the suffrages of the Brethren His Fellow Soldiers of Christ and of the Temple of Solomon of Jerusalem;  
Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master.

By the counsel of our well beloved William Hale John Charles, Earl and Viscount of Limerick, Baron and Lord of Glentworth  
In the County of Cork in the Peerage of Ireland; and also Baron and Lord of Foxford of Stackpole Court  
In the County of Clare in the Peerage of Great Britain; and Colonel of the Militia of Limerick;  
Great Prior of England.

To all the Faithful in Christ we make known that on the Day of Saint , in the year of our Saviour Jesus Christ 1872, of our Order 754, in the Preceptory at  
Was solemnly received, proclaimed, and installed a Knight

With all and singular the privileges, honors and immunities to the aforesaid degree now or hereafter lawfully appertaining.  
In testimony whereof we have commanded these letters to be made patent, and confirmed with the seal of our Order.  
Dated at London on the Day of Saint , In the year of Our Saviour Jesus Christ 1873, of our Order 755.

*These being Witnesses*

Revival of an old Seal of the Order, alluding to the zeal of the early  
Templars, evidenced by their poverty and privations, even to one  
horse having to serve at times for the transport of two Knights.  
Poor fellow soldiers of Christ and of the Temple of Solomon.

\* The Saints Day of the old Calendars of the time of the Crusades is here inserted. † A. S. N. I. C.—Anno Salvatoris Nostri Jesu Christi.  
‡ O. N.—Ordinis Nostri. The year will of course vary.