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17th day of October, a. D. 1883.

WM. HENRY HUTTON, 33°, Montreal, QUEBEC, M.: P.: Sov.: Gr.: Commander.

JOHN WALTER MURTON, 33°, Hamilton, Ontario, Secretary-General H.: E.:

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The Supreme Council of the 33° of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Dominion of Canada, assembled in Annual Session in the Hall of the Rite, in the City of Montreal, Province of Quebec, on Wednesday, the 16th day of the Hebrew month Tisri, 5644, corresponding with the 17th day of October, V. E. 1883.

PRESENT:

Ill.: Bro.: Wm. HENRY HUTTON, 33°,

Sovereign Grand Commander.

ISAAC HENRY STEARNS, 33°,

As Lieutenant Grand Commander.

EUGENE M. COPELAND, 33°,

As Secretary General, H. E .:

Geo. O. Tyler, 33°, of Vermont,

As Treasurer General, H .: . E .:

WM. J. B. MACLEOD MOORE, 33°,

As Grand Captain of the Guard.

The Supreme Council was opened at 12.30 p. m., and according to resolution at its last session, at once adjourned to re-assemble in the City of Hamilton, on Monday, the 22nd instant, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Monday, 22nd October, 1883.

In accordance with previous agreement, and pursuant to a special notice, the Supreme Council was called to labor in the Consistory Hall, in the City of Hamilton, at 10 o'clock a. m.

PRESENT:

Ill.: Bro.: Wm. HENRY HUTTON, 33°,

Sovereign Grand Commander.

JOHN V. ELLIS, 33°,

Lieutenant Grand Commander.

JOHN W. MURTON, 33°,

Secretary General, H.: E:

HUGH A. MACKAY, 33°,

Treasurer General, H. .. E.

66 HUGH MURRAY, 33°,

As Grand Chancellor.

WILLIAM REID, 33°,

Grand Master of Ceremonies.

ISAAC H. STEARNS, 33°,

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Ill. Bro. ROBERT MARSHALL.

" ROBERT T. CLINCH.

" B. LESTER PETERS.

" DAVID R. MUNRO.

" JAMES DOMVILLE.

" HUGH W. CHISHOLM.

" JAMES K. KERR.

" W. B. SIMPSON (dead).

Letters of excuse were read from Ill.. Bros.: Marshall, Clinch, Peters, Chisholm and Domville, and verbal explanations were made by Ill.: Bro.: Ellis as to the absence of Ill.: Bro.: Munro, which were all accepted as satisfactory.

Letters were read from a number of Ill.: brethren of the U.S. acknowledging our invitation and regretting their inability to be present.

Ill.. Bro.. W. B. SIMPSON, the Grand Chancellor of this Supreme Council, being formally announced dead, it was moved by Ill.. Bro.. H. Murray, seconded by Ill.. Bro.. H. A. Mackay that a suitable resolution be drafted expressive of the deep regret of this Council at the loss of this Ill.. Brother, and that the same be engrossed in the proceedings of this session. Carried.

The Sov.: Grand Commander appointed the following a Committee for that purpose, viz.:

Ill. Bro. Hugh Murray.

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The enquiry was made as to the absence in the printed proceedings for 1882 of any mention of the intended adjournment of this Council to Hamilton at this session, and upon examination by the Secretary-General the record of this determination was found upon the minutes, but through inadvertance had been omitted from the printed proceedings.

It was then moved by Ill.. Bro.. I. H. STEARNS, seconded by Ill.. Bro.. Hugh Murray that the proceedings of this Council for 1882 be taken as read and that they be now confirmed. Carried.

In accordance with notice given at the last session, Ill.: Bro.: H. A. Mackay moved, seconded by Ill.: Bro.: H. Murray that an addition be made to the Statutes, as follows:

The thirty-third degree Honorary I. . G. . may be conferred on any Brother elected to receive it. But the number of Honorary Members shall be based on the number of members of the Rose Croix degree.

Each Province of the Dominion shall have the right to one Honorary Member for every fifty (50) S.: P.: R.: 18°. without regard to Chapter or locality in which they may be members. The right of nomination for the Honorary degree shall be in the Active Members for the Province entitled, through the Deputy for that Province.

Adopted unanimously.

Letters from the Supreme Councils of Italy, Switzerland and Scotland were read, and on motion referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Announcement having been made that Ill.. visitors from the Northern Jurisdiction of the United States were in waiting, the Ill.. Grand Marshall, accompanied by Ill.. Bro.. H. A. Mackay, the Grand Representative of the Supreme Council for the Northern Jurisdiction, retired and immediately returned and introduced to the Sup.. Council Ill.. Bro.. Enoch T. Carson, 33°, Past Lieut. Grand Commander of the Sup.. Council of the Northern Jurisdiction, U. S., and Deputy for the State of Ohio, and Ill.. Bro..

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States were ed by Ill.: ive of the retired and comarisdiction, Ill.: Bro.: BRENTON D. BABCOCK, 33°, Active Member of the above named Sup.: Council; whereupon the Sov.: Gr.: Commander received and welcomed these Ill.: Brethren in terms suitable to their high standing and eminence in the Rite.

Ill.: Bros.: Carson and Babcock responded to the welcome in eloquent terms.

Letters were then read by the Secretary General from the following Supreme Councils, acknowledging the receipt of the Circular of this Sup.: Council, announcing the expulsion of three members of our obedience, and stating that the Bodies of their obedience had been fully notified thereof, viz.:

The Sup.: Council of England and Wales, Etc.

"the Northern Jurisdic'n, U.S.

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The following Ill.: S.: Princes of the Royal Secret, duly nominated at the last session to receive the 33rd degree and to become active members of this Council for the Province of Manitoba, having been informally voted upon during the recess of this Council, were then formally ballotted for and declared duly elected, viz.:

Ill.. Bro.: John Headly Bell, 32°.

"Charles Napier Bell, 32°.

"Herbert Swinford, 32°.

Ill.. Bro.: Hugh Murray, having given notice at the last session, now moved, seconded by Ill.: Bro.: Wm. Reid,

That Act 20 in the Statutes and Regulations be amended by striking out the second, third and fourth paragraphs, and inserting instead the following:

Sentence of suspension for unmasonic conduct shall have effect in every Lodge, Chapter and Consistory of our obedience.

When for unmasonic conduct a Mason is expelled by the Grand Lodge from which the Lodge to whom the Bro.: belongs holds its warrant, said sentence should be recognized and have effect in every Lodge, Chapter and Consistory of our obedience.

Any member disciplined may within three months appeal to the Supreme Council, when the sentence may be modified or reversed; until such final action the member shall not be relieved of the effect of sentence passed on him by any Body named in this Article.

The Ill. visitors were then invited to speak on the above and other questions which might come before the Council, and after considerable discussion, the amendment to the statutes as above was adopted.

The Sup.: Council was then called from labor at I o'clock.

After recess the Sup.: Council resumed labor at 2 p.m.

The Sov.: Gr.: Commander then opened a Lodge of Secret Masters, 4°, and the following Illustrious Brethren were then admitted, viz.: J. J. Mason, 32°, Charles N. Bell, 32°, John M. Gibson, 32°, Robert K. Hope, 32°, David McLellan, 32°, and James Robertson, 32°.

The Sov.: Gr.: Commander then read his address as follows:

ADDRESS

To the Supreme Council 33° A.:. & A.:. S.:. Rite for the Dominion of Canada.

ILLUSTRIOUS BRETHREN,—

It becomes once more my duty to ask you to accompany me in a short retrospect of such of the prominent events of the past year as concerns the glorious work in which we are engaged; but, before entering upon it, it behooves us to place upon record our grateful sense of the numberless mercies showered so copiously upon us by the Great Giver of all good, and to thank Him that so many have been spared to share once more in the labors of the Supreme Council.

Would that I could congratulate you that the hand of the Destroyer had been at rest; but alas, again this year we have to mourn the loss of a dear brother and a valued coadjutor.

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Ill.: Brother William Benjamin Simpson, who so worthily filled the important and onerous office of Grand Chancellor of the Holy Empire, was called to his account after a short illness.

He died at his late residence, Coteau du Lac, on the 3rd June, 1883, aged 65, leaving a disconsolate widow and two children to mourn his loss.

In that loss we can all sincerely join, as his life-long services to Masonry fully entitled him to the name of Father among us, and as such was he revered by all. A blameless and well spent life has fully earned for him the rest and peace he now enjoys.

He was buried at Coteau du Lac on the 6th June, the Grand Lodge of Quebec having kindly taken charge of the funeral, which, as your representative and as his old friend, I attended.

In our own jurisdiction the only other death that has been reported to me is that of E. and P. P. James Ardell, M.: W.: S.: of London Chapter of Rose Croix, a worthy member of our Rite.

The Supreme Council of Switzerland mourns the loss of its late Sovereign Grand Commander Ill.: Bro.: Antoine Amberry 33°, who died at Lausanne, the 7th November, 1882.

The Supreme Council of Italy has also lost its Sovereign Grand Commander, Ill.. Bro.. Count Alexandro Isenscmid de Milbitz, who died at Turin on the 16th June, 1883, aged 83. He was a soldier and a patriot whose name is engraved on the hearts of his countrymen.

Nearer home, the Supreme Council of Scotland has been bereaved of its head in the person of Ill.. Bro.: John Whyte Melville, 33°, M.: P.: Sov.: Grand Commander, who for upwards of half a century had labored in the good cause and who has earned for himself such a warm place in the esteem and the affection of his brethren, that his loss may well be deemed almost irreparable.

To the families of our own members, and to each and all of these, our sister Supreme Councils, I tender the assurance of our deepest sympathy in their loss.

The past year has glided by so peacefully and harmoniously that the flight of time has scarcely been noticed.

The good work has proceeded quietly but surely, and the returns of the various bodies, I am led to believe, will show a goodly increase.

A consistory has been established in the City of Winnipeg, for the Province of Manitoba, and a Chapter of Rose Croix in the City of Kingston, and from those several bodies good returns may be expected.

Whilst upon the subject of the condition of the Rite, I would take the opportunity of calling your earnest attention to the great benefit to be derived from the establishment of a school of instruction in each Masonic centre, under the control and supervision of the local 33rd, or the presiding officer of the highest body in

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the place, to meet regularly for the study of the history of the Rite, and the peculiar lessons and lectures of each degree. I am quite convinced that such an institution would be both popular and profitable.

I would also suggest, not only the desirability, but the positive necessity of the opening up of a regular system of correspondence by the representatives of Sister Supreme Councils near us with our representatives near them, thus communicating mutually all matters of interest, and binding the fraternal tie that unites us more closely round our hearts.

During the past year Canada has been visited by several Illustrious Members of the Supreme Council of England.

At the reunion in Hamilton I had the very great pleasure of assisting in welcoming Ill.. Bro.. Bannister, 33°, Deputy for the Northern District of England, and it was a matter of extreme regret to myself that Ill.. Bro. Bannister passed through Montreal before I was aware that he was on this side of the Atlantic. I am very pleased that Ill.. Bro.. Bannister had the opportunity of witnessing the exemplification of the work of the several degrees, from the 4 to the 30° inclusive, as the very able and impressive manner in which the work was performed by the Hamilton Brethren could not fail to make a deep and lasting impression upon his mind; indeed, he assured me that he had been both pleased and astonished, and would not fail to report his impressions upon his return to England.

Later on I had the pleasure of renewing my acquaintance with Ill.. Bro.: the Earl of Lathom 33°, Past Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council of England, who was on his way to the great North-West, and who re gretted extremely that he found it impossible to accept my invitation to be present at this session. Later on I availed myself of his brief presence in Montreal, to pay my respects to Ill.. Bro.: the Right Honorable, the Earl of Carnarvon, 33°, also a Past Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council of England, and was most cordially received by him; but here again the fact that he was obliged to return to England before our meeting compelled our Ill.: Bro.: to decline my invitation. This is the more to be regretted as it was the Earl of Carnarvon, who, as Sovereign Grand Commander of England, signed the document creating the Supreme Council of Canada.

FOREIGN RELATIONS.

Our foreign relations continue to be of the most peaceful nature.

Bulletins were received from various Supreme Councils endorsing the action at our late session with regard to the invasion of our jurisdiction, all of which will be duly submitted to you.

A document was received from the Grand Lodge of Peru, asking recognition. This, I think, is a matter for the Grand Lodges of Canada rather than for our selves.

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Your recommendation of the vacancies in the exchange of representatives with our sister Supreme Councils being filled up, was being actively carried out, when the sad death of our late Grand Chancellor brought the work to a sudden stop, still not until a number of them had been completed.

In the matter of dispensations, I have continued to pursue the conservative policy of my lamented predecessor, granting only such as seemed based on good ground.

One to Toronto Chapter of Rose Croix and one to Murton Grand Lodge of Perfection, Hamilton; in each case for an alteration in by-laws.

One to Rose of Sharon Chapter of Rose Croix, Kingston, to work until a warrant should issue.

One to Moore Sovereign Consistory, Hamilton, to confer the 31st and 32nd degrees upon Ill.: Bros.: W. D. Gordon and Samuel Gerrard Fairtlough, of Kingston, and D. B. Dewar of Berlin, without the usual interval.

I also gave authority to III..' Bro.'. Albert Pike, M.'. P.'. Sov.'. Grand Commander of the Southern Jurisdiction, U. S., then on a visit to the Pacific slope, to confer the degrees, from the 19th to the 32nd, upon 12 Brethren in Victoria, B. C., at the minimum fee of \$60 each; and, more recently, I have empowered III.'. Bro.'. James R. Hayden 33°, Special Deputy of the Southern Supreme Council, to organize these Brethren into a Consistory, so as to be ready for work when we have selected and appointed the necessary 33rds, and I would take the opportunity of placing upon record an expression of our sincere appreciation of the uniform kindness and courtesy that we have received, even from the time before our formation into a Supreme Council, from III.' Bro.'. Albert Pike and other members of the Supreme Council of the Southern Jurisdiction, who have laid themselves out, no matter at what cost of time, trouble and expense, to assist us whenever and wherever the opportunity has shown itself.

On the far off shores of the Pacific Ocean it would have been a difficult matter to plant the seed of what promises to be a goodly Masonic tree without the aid they kindly rendered us.

A difficulty arose in the Kingston Grand Lodge of Perfection owing to the removal from that city of the T.: P.: G.: M.:, Ill.: Bro.: W. D. Gordon 32°, as being a new Lodge, having no past T.: P.: G.: M.:, there was no one competent to confer the degrees of perfection; this I obviated by issuing a dispensation to the Senior Warden, E.: & P.: Pr.: John Kinghorn 18°, to act until a successor to Ill.: Bro.: Gordon could be elected.

An application was received from Van Renssellear Gd.: Lodge of Perfection in the Valley of Chicago to confer the degrees of perfection upon three Brethren from Toronto, but as no reason was adduced why these Brethren should seek to receive the degrees in Chicago, rather than in their place of residence (Toronto), I felt compelled to refuse the request.

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On my way home I had hoped to see something of the Toronto Bodies, but unfortunately, the time of my visit was not opportune.

In March last I paid an official visit to Hochelaga Grand Lodge of Perfection, and was fortunate enough to witness the imposing ceremony of the installation of its officers, most impressively performed by the Deputy for the Province, Ill.: Bro.: I. H. Stearns 33°.

I also visited Hochelaga Sov.: Chapter of Rose Croix, and was greatly pleased at the excellence of the work and the dignity and thorough knowledge of the ritual displayed by the M.: Wise Ill.: Bro.: Frank Edgar 32°.

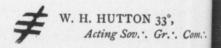
The paraphernalia required for the working of the 33rd degree, authorized by you at the last session, has been procured, and I trust will meet with your approval.

Several matters of grave importance will be submitted to you at this session, as also the triennial election of officers; to all of which I crave your earnest attention.

I wish that I could speak more satisfactorily of our library, but I regret to say that in spite of the appointment of a committee and the voting of a sum of money in its aid, it is at a complete standstill. The formation and maintenance of a good library is essential to our welfare, and I hope more vigorous efforts will be made in that direction.

I greatly regret that I was unable to avail myself of the kind invitation to be present at the annual session of the Sup.: Council of the Northern Jurisdiction U.S., in Cincinnati, but to a man so deeply immersed in business as I am, the want of the necessary time was a fatal obstacle.

And now, Ill.: Brethren, I return to you the sceptre placed in my hands a year ago, with the tervent hope that my shortcomings will be overlooked, and that you will remember only that I have tried to do my best in the exalted position in which your kindness placed me.



The Lodge of Secret Masters was then closed, and all except Sov. Gr. Inspectors General retired.

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On motion, the address of the Sov.: Gr.: Commander was referred to the following committee to report thereupon, viz.:

Ill.: Bro.: H. A. MACKAY.
" J. V. ELLIS.

" WM. REID.

In accordance with notice regularly given at the last session, Ill.: Bro.: J. W. MURTON moved, seconded by Ill.: Bro.: HUGH MURRAY, that Article 13 of the Statutes be amended as follows:

ARTICLE 13.

§1 PROVINCIAL AND SPECIAL DEPUTIES AND THEIR POWERS.

PROVINCIAL DEPUTIES.

The Supreme Council shall appoint, at each triennial session, from its active members, a Deputy of the Supreme Council for each Province within its jurisdiction, who shall represent the Supreme Council in such Province. If a vacancy occurs in the office of Deputy, it shall be filled by the Sov.: Gr.: Commander until the next meeting of the Supreme Council.

Such Deputies shall have power, and it shall be their duty:

To inspect the works of the Rite.

To receive and transmit all applications for warrants to the Supreme Council or Sov.: Gr.: Commander. To be the medium of communication between the Subordinate Bodies in their jurisdiction and the Supreme Council or Sov.: Gr.: Commander, and to receive all applications for and to grant dispensations to waive statutory regulations with regard to time between degrees and election of officers, and that in the latter case no fee be charged.

SPECIAL DEPUTIES.

§2. In any Province or Territory within the jurisdiction of this Supreme Council where there are no active members, an honorary member of the 33°, or in the absence of such, one of the rank of S.: P.: R.: S.: 32°, may be commissioned by the Supreme Council or Sov.: Gr.: Commander as Special Deputy of this Supreme Council, for specific purposes and for a limited time. The powers of such Special Deputy shall be only those particularly laid down in his commission.

The motion was carried.

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The annual reports of the Provincial and Special Deputies were read as follows:

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HAMILTON, ONT., 16th October, 1883.

To the M.:. P.:. Sovereign Grand Commander and Members of the Supreme Council 33°, A.:. A.:. Scottish Rite, Dominion of Canada.

The hand of death has been light on the members of the Rite in this Province during the past year, we having lost but one member, Sov.: Prince James Ardell, who, at the time of his decease was Most Wise Sovereign of the London Chapter of Rose Croix; his loss is much felt, as he was an active and zealous Mason, and filled well his high position. "May his rest be in peace, and may the sunshine of Heaven beam brightly on his waking."

The Bodies of the Rite are all in good working order, and progressing satisfactorily.

A dispensation was granted by the Sov.: Grand Commander, for a Chapter of Rose Croix in Kingston, and as it is in good working order, and the officers are all well able to discharge their duties, I ask that a warrant be issued. The M.: W.: S.: is Ill.: Bro.: S.: G.: Fairtlough 32°, Major in the Royal Artillery, and at present attached to the staff of the R. M. College, Kingston.

A peculiar circumstance presented itself in regard to the Kingston Lodge of Perfection. Ill.: Bro.: Gordon, 32°, the T.: P.: G.: M.:, was obliged to go to Halifax for some months, with the probability of not returning, and there being no Past T.: P.: G.: M.: in Kingston, the question arose as to who could confer degrees. The Constitution lays it down that the Wardens can transact business, but no degrees can be conferred except by the T.: P.: G.: M.: The installation ceremony gives the Wardens power to confer in the absence of the Master. In the case of Kingston it meant, if the Constitution was observed, that the Body had to be shut up until next February. Under the circumstances I applied to the M.: P.: Sov.: Grand Commander for a dispensation, allowing the senior Warden to act with all the powers of a T.: P.: G.: M.:

There being a conflict between the Constitution and the Installation Ceremony, I suggest that one of them be altered.

There is the same conflict between the Constitution and the Installation ceremony in regard to Chapters of Rose Croix.

The Brethren of Hamilton have been actively employed in making arrangements to receive the Members of the Supreme Council, and exemplify the work from the 4° to the 30°. A Reunion will be held on Wednesday and Thursday,

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Fraternally submitted,

H. A. MACKAY, 33°, Deputy for the Province of Ontario.

QUEBEC.

MONTREAL, 19th October, 1883.

To the Supreme Council, 33°, for the Dominion of Canada.

ILLUSTRIOUS BRETHREN:-

During the year past we have not added many to our numbers, although some work has been done in all the Bodies of our Rite.

It is my painful duty to report the death of two of our members, viz.: Ill.: Bro.: W. B. Simpson 33°, Ill.: Grand Chancellor of this Supreme Council, and S. P. D'Arcy Heath 18°.

I regret exceedingly that no additional Bodies have been established in this Province during the past year, which is no doubt owing to the unsettled condition of the foundation of our Rite, and I fear that until the question of jurisdiction has been finally settled in this Province, it will be impossible to extend the Rite in this district, or successfully carry on the work of the several Bodies already established.

Respectfully submitted,

ISAAC H. STEARNS,

Deputy for Quebec.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY

FOR THE PROV. OF NEW BRUNSWICK,

ST. JOHN, N. B., Sept. 1, 1883.

To the Sov.: Grand Commander and members of the Supreme Council 33° for the Dominion of Canada,

ILLUSTRIOU: BRETHREN :-

In the Province of New Brunswick there is nothing in the condition of the Rite to call for any special mention.

The Lodge of Perfection, the Chapter Rose Croix and the Consistory have all held meetings during the year, and although the amount of work done has not been large, it has been quite sufficient to keep up the average interest.

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I am glad to be able to say that harmony and good feeling prevail in every branch of the Brotherhood. We do not gain largely in members, it is true, but we are able to hold our own.

There are some signs of increasing interest in the Rite among Masons in parts of the Province outside of St. John. At Sussex, a flourishing village on the Intercolonial Railway, preliminary steps have been taken for the formation of a Lodge of Perfection and a Chapter of Rose Croix, and I hope at an early day to be able to report these as things accomplished.

In the Chapter of Rose Croix and Lodge of Perfection we have lost by death one much esteemed Brother, J. Howard Beatty, whose removal is a matter of sincere regret to the brethren in both Provinces, in both of which he was widely known.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

JOHN V. ELLIS, 33°, Deputy.

NOVA SCOTIA.

ST. JOHN, N. B., October 16th, 1883.

To the Supreme Council 33°.

I have no change to report in the condition of the Rite in Nova Scotia during the year just ended. Keith Chapter, Rose Croix has held its meetings regularly but no additions have been made to it, nor have any steps been taken to establish new Bodies of the Rite in any other place in the Province. I very much regret this state of apathy, but am unable to help it, and until there is an active resident 33° or two in the district I see but little prospect of any improvement.

Respectfully submitted,

R. T. CLINCH, 33°, Deputy for the Province of Nova Scotia. 1883.]

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To the M.: P.: Sov.: A.: A.

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October 10th, V.: E.: 1883.

To the M.: P.: Sov.: Grand Commander and the Supreme Council 33° of the A.: A.: S.: R.: for the Dominion of Canada.

ILLUSTRIOUS BRETHREN :--

I submit you herewith the annual returns from this Province for your consideration. They are far from what I should like them to be. I have given the Rite my best attention ever since it has been established in the Province, and have attended all the communications except one since its organization, but most institutions have their day of small things, and we in British Columbia are having ours now.

The few members added to our numbers are some of the most prominent masons in this district, and I have every reason to believe they will prove themselves worthy members of our Rite, and render all the assistance in their power to advance its interests.

It is with feelings of deep regret that I have to record the death of Bro. Robert Laing, a man of integrity, just and upright in all his dealings, and very much beloved by all those who knew him. We lament his loss, for by his death the Craft have lost a good man and the Rite a true friend. His fine, manly appearance and worthy conduct will long remain fresh in the memory of his Brethren.

Last February I received a communication from Ill. and Ven. Brother Albert Pike, Grand Commander of the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States, informing me that it was his intention to visit Washington Territory, and probably British Columbia, during the summer. This information I communicated to the Brethren of the Rice, and we invited Bro. Pike to be our guest during the time he remained in the Province.

I also informed the members of the Grand Lodge of our Venerable Brother's visit, and at its Annual Communication the Grand Lodge unanimously voted to entertain Bro.. Pike during his stay in Victoria, which gave me much pleasure, as I was anxious that a Brother of such eminence and ability should be well received.

Bro.: Pike accepted our invitation, and was welcomed to the best of our bility, and, I believe, to the satisfaction of our Venerable Brother and those who accompanied him.

While here Bro.: Pike delivered a beautiful and intellectual lecture on Freenasonry. His illustrations of the symbols and principles of the Order were very interesting and instructive, and were highly appreciated by the Brethren, who, at the close of the address, unanimously returned him a vote of thanks.

The dispensation granted by the M.: P.: Grand Commander to Bro.: Pike to confer the degrees from the 19th to the 32nd on twelve Brethren here did not arrive in time for him to do so, as the telegraph lines were down, and he assigned that duty to Ill.: Bro.: James R. Hayden, 33°, Inspector-General for Washington Territory.

I feel it my duty to inform you that the Rite in this Province is indebted to Bro... Hayden for valuable assistance on several occasions.

We expected him here on or about the 25th ult., but official duties prevented him from coming. This I regret, as it was my intention to have given you a full account of the work performed by him, with the returns for this session. From a letter just received, Bro.: Hayden will be here this week, and I will acquaint you with what is done as soon as possible.

I regret that the work in the different degrees is not done in as perfect a manner as could be desired, but time and practice will doubtless overcome our difficulties in this respect.

In conclusion, I trust you will be be blessed with wisdom in your deliberations and that the Order will be greatly benefitted by your wise councils.

I am, yours truly and fraternally,

ELI HARRISON, 32°,

Specie' Deputy, B.C.

On motion, made by Ill.. Bro.. J. V. Ellis, seconded by Ill.. Bro.. H. Murray, the above reports were referred to the Committee on the Doings of Inspectors General and Special Deputies.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence and Relations reported verbally, through its Chairman, Ill. Brown J. V. Ellis, promising, further on, to submit their usual full and interesting report.

The Standing Committee on the Doings of Subordinate Bodies, to whom all returns of these Bodies for the year ending 31st August, 1883, had been submitted, presented the following report:

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Your Committee on the Doings of Subordinate Bodies beg to report on the returns sent in, as follows:

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA.

K'HURUM CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX conferred the 18° on two Brethren Membership, 18. Fees to Supreme Council, \$12.50.

LAWSON LODGE OF PERFECTION conferred the 14° on six Brethren. Membership, 29. Fees to Supreme Council, \$37.25.

PROVINCE OF MANITOBA.

WINNIPEG.

BETHESDA CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX—return for 1882—conferred the 18° on four Brethren. Affiliated, one. Membership, 25. Fees to Supreme Council, \$30.25. Return for 1883—conferred the 18° on eight Brethren. Withdrawn, one. Membership, 31. Fees to Supreme Council, \$35.25.

WINNIPEG LODGE OF PERFECTION conferred the 14° on six Brethren. Withdrawn, one. Membership, 48. Fees to the Supreme Council, \$39.00.

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

ST. JOHN.

NEW BRUNSWICK CONSISTORY conferred the 30° on one, and the 32° on one Bro.: Membership, 38. Fees to Supreme Council. \$19.50.

HARINGTON CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX conferred the 18° on one Brother. Withdrawn, one. Died, one, Bro. John Howard Beatty. Membership, 60. Fees to Supreme Council, 19.00.

St. John Lodge of Perfection conferred the 14° on three Brethren. Withdrawn, two. Died, one, Bro.: J. H. Beatty. Membership, 60. Fees to the Supreme Council, \$18.00.

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

HALIFAX.

KEITH CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX, covering Lodge of Perfection, have sent in no return,

HAMILTON.

MOORE CONSISTORY conferred the 3c° on five, the 31° on nine, and the 32° on six. Affiliated, one. Died, two, Bros.: Alexander Duncan and Rev. St. George Caulfield. Membership, 97. Fees to Supreme Council, \$96.25.

HAMILTON CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX conferred the 18° on ten Brethren. Died, one, Bro.: A. Duncan. Membership, 106. Fees to Supreme Council, \$66.50.

MURTON LODGE OF PERFECTION conferred the 14° on twenty Brethren. Withdrawn, one. Died, one, Bro.: A. Duncan. Membership, 154. Fees to Supreme Council, \$98.50.

LONDON.

LONDON CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX, COVERING LODGE OF PERFECTION, conferred the 18° on three Brethren. Suspended, N. P. D., five. Membership, 47. Fees to Supreme Council, \$18.75.

TORONTO.

TORONTO CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX conferred the 18° on six Brethren. Withdrawn, one. Membership, 60. Fees to Supreme Council, \$38.75.

TORONTO LODGE OF PERFECTION conferred the 14° on eight Brethren. Withdrawn, four. Suspended N. P. D., eleven. Membership, 83. Fees to Supreme Council, \$38.75.

KINGSTON.

ROSE OF SHARON CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX conferred the 18° on ten Brethren. Membership, 20. Fees to Supreme Council, \$45.00.

KINGSTON LODGE OF PERFECTION conferred the 14° on eleven Brethren. Affiliated, two. Membership, 24. Fees, \$99.25.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

MONTREAL.

MONTREAL CONSISTORY conferred the 30° on three Brethren. Affiliated, two. Died, one, Bro.: W. B. Simpson. Membership, 40. Fees, \$42.75.

HOCHELAGA CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX conferred the 18° on three Brethren. Withdrawn, five. Died, two, Bros.: W. B. Simpson and D'Arcy Heath. Membership, 48. Fees to Supreme Council, \$24.00,

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Respectfully and fraternally submitted.

H. A. MACKAY, 33°.

Chairman.

Hamilton, Ontario, 16th October, 1883.

A report from the Standing Committee on the Library was called for, but none was forthcoming.

The following annual reports of the Secretary and Treasurer General were read:

SECRETARY GENERAL.

HAMILTON, October 17th, 1883.

To the Supreme Council, 33°:

The Secretary-General has pleasure in presenting his Ninth Annual Report.

RECEIPTS.

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For	balances of accounts	\$60	50
66	Dispensations to waive statutory rules	15	00
46	Annual dues	262	50
- 66	Registration fees for new members	400	00
**	Amount overpaid by Bodies and now at their credit	24	75

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All which has been paid to the Treasurer General.

The following are the assets of the Supreme Council at this date:

Cash in hands of Treasurer General	\$1,284	13
Balances of the Ledger	. 87	75
Office furniture, certificate plate, &c	E #4~	00
Stock of certificates on hand, say	100	00
Library	200	00

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A comparative statement between the year now ended and the one immediately preceding it will show rather less work done in the Lodge of Perfection and Consistories, but considerably more in the Chapters Rose Croix.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

J. W. MURTON, 33°, Secretary General.

TREASURER GENERAL.

Supreme Council, 33°, A.:. A.:. Scottish Rite for the Dominion of Canada, in account with the Treasurer-General.

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Oct.	19,	J. W. Guy, attendance, session 1882	Order No.	92	\$ 10	00
Nov.	20,	Eastwood & Co., stationery, Secretary-				
		General's office	"	93	8	70
**	27,	Secretary-General, postage to 18th Oct.	66	95	30	94
		Secretary-General, allowance for 1882	**	96	200	00
Dec.	4,	G.: Chancellor, postages and stationery	**	94	18	50
		Mrs. Harington, account, library	"	97	100	00
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April	6,	Times Printing Company, printing pro-				
		ceedings and general printing	"	98	199	00
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		G.: Chancellor, stationery	" 1	00	7	05

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	by late Grand Chancellor	"	102	12	05
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	Cash on hand	••••	•••••	\$1,284	13
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H. A. MACKAY, 33°, Treasurer-General,

HAMILTON, 23d October, 1883.

On motion, made by Ill.. Bro.. H. A. MACKAY, seconded by Ill.. Bro.. J. W. MURTON, these reports were referred to the Committee on Audit and Finance.

Ill.. Bro.. H. A. MACKAY gave the following notices of motion:

That Article 20, page 40 of the constitution, sub-section "Lodges of Perfection," be amended by striking out the words "There shall be but one Lodge of Perfection in any city or town."

That Article 20, page 11 of the constitution, be amended by striking out, in sub-section entitled "Officers," the words "Excellent Grand Chancellor."

The Secretary General read a statement showing the number of members of the Rose Croix Degree there were in each Province enrolled on the books of this Supreme Council up to the 31st August, 1883, viz.:

In ONTARIO, 233.

- " QUEBEC, 48.
- " NEW BRUNSWICK, 60.
- " NOVA SCOTIA, 21.
- " MANITOBA, 31.
- " British Columbia, 18.

Ill.: Bro.: H. A. MACKAY, Deputy for the Province of Ontario, in accordance with the privilege granted by the amendment to the statutes, creating Honorary Inspectors General, then nominated the following Ill.: Brethren, Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret 32°, to be Honorary Inspectors General, 33°, viz.:

and in order to fill the vacancy in the roll of active members for the Province of Ontario, created by the death of the Ill... Bro... T. D. HARINGTON, Ill... Bro... H. A. MACKAY nominated Ill... Bro... Sro... Gr... Inspector General 33°, active member of this Supren a Council.

The following resolution was then adopted:

Moved by Ill.. Bro.. J. W. Murton, seconded by Ill.. Bro.. H. Murray,

That a committee be appointed, to hold office for three years, whose duty it shall be to take charge of all Ritualistic matter belonging to this Supreme Council, to prepare the same in accordance with the adopted work, and to deliver the same only on the order of the Sov. Grand Commander, countersigned by the Secretary-General. To keep a correct account of the same by entering in a regular book, to be kept for that purpose, the cost of everything of this nature, charging the account with all outlay, and crediting the account with all deliveries at prices to be agreed upon by them, and to report the condition of this account by a statement each year.

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Ill. Bro. H. MURRAY.
" H. A. MACKAY.

" WM. REID.

Ill.: Bro.: J. W. Murton moved, seconded by Ill.: Bro.: H. A. Mackay, that a committee be appointed to revise the Installation Ceremonies for the various Bodies of this Rite, and to consider the Ceremonies of the 31° and 32°, and to report thereon at the next Annual Session.—Carried.

The following were appointed a committee for that purpose:

Ill.: Bro.: J. W. Murton.

" " J. V. Ellis.
" H. A. Mackay.

The Supreme Council was called from labor at 5 o'clock.

Tuesday, 23rd October, 1883.

The Supreme Council was called to labor at 10.30 oclock a.m.

Ill.: Bro.: D. B. Tracy, 33°, of Michigan, who was passing through the city, but without time to visit this Council, sent in his compliments and expressed regret at his inability to be present.

Announcement having been made that Ill.. Brothers J. H. Bell, 32°, and Herbert Swinford, 32°, of Winnipeg, 33° elect, were unavoidably detained, and that Ill.. Bro.. Charles Napier Bell, 32°, the other Brother from Mani-

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The committee appointed on the address of the Sov.: Gr.: Commander reported as follows:

The Committee unite with the Sov.: Grand Commander in lamenting the loss this Council has experienced by the death of our late Grand Chancellor, Bro.: W. B. Simpson, and recommend that a memorial page be inserted to his memory in the Proceedings of the present year. They also express with him feelings of deep regret at the death of prominent members of the Rite in other jurisdictions, and they note with sorrow the announcement of the decease of Bro.: John Whyte Melville, Sov.: Grand Commander of the Supreme Council of Scotland, whose long Masonic career, whose deep interest in the affairs of this Rite, and whose honorable life has, as the Sov.: Grand Commander justly says, earned for him a deep and lasting place in the affectionate memory of his Brethren.

The Committee note with satisfaction the assurances given by the Sov.: Grand Commander of the progress of the Rite throughout the jurisdiction, and of the general spirit of harmony prevailing. They reciprocate his expressions of pleasure at the visit to this country of English Brethren of eminence, and regret with him that opportunities similar to those taken advantage of by Ill.: Bro.: Bannister could not be made available by Ill.: Brothers the Earl of Lathom and the Earl of Carnarvon. It would afford this Supreme Council much gratification to receive visits from these distinguished Masons.

The Committee regret the unavoidable interruption, through the death of the Grand Chancellor, of the effort to perfect our foreign relations, and trust that in the coming year this matter may be disposed of to the satisfaction of the Supreme Council.

The Committee are of opinion that the general exercise of the dispensing power in the hands of the Sov.. Grand Commander has been judicious and inthe interests of the Rite. They note with gratification that one of the dispensations was for the formation of a Chapter of Rose Croix at Kingston; and they are also pleased to find that there has been in the distant Province of British Columbia, under authority given to Ill.. Bro.. Hayden, an extension of the Rite. In all that the Sov.. Grand Commander says with regard to assistance given us by the members of the Supreme Council of the Southern Jurisdiction, U. S. A, in that Province, and nearer home, the Committee cordially concur.

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The Committee share the regrets of the Sov.: Grand Commander as to the Library, and trust that the Supreme Council will, at an early day, take steps towards its extension.

The report of his visits to the bodies at Hamilton and Montreal, by the Grand Commander, is most gratifying to the Committee, and must be to the Supreme Council.

The Committee are quite satisfied of the correctness of the Sov.: Grand Commander's action in respect to his refusal to allow members of the Craft residing at Toronto to receive degrees of the Rite outside of the jurisdiction. An exchange of courtesies between sister jurisdictions is ever desirable, but the acceptance by one of members from another ought to be for well understood causes only, and the permission should never be given without a clear statement of the grounds upon which it is requested.

Fraternally submitted,

H. A. MACKAY, 33°. JOHN V. ELLIS, 33°.

On motion, the report was received and adopted.

The Standing Committees on the Doings of the Inspectors General and Special Deputies presented the following report:

HAMILTON, 23d October, 1883.

To the Supreme Council, 33°, A.:. & A.:. S.:. Rite for the Dominion of Canada.

The Committee on the Doings of Inspector-General and Special Deputies have had under consideration reports from the Provinces of Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, British Columbia and Manitoba, and find from them that the Rite is in as favorable a condition as could be expected.

Four deaths are reported. Brothers James Ardell, 18°, W.: W.: Sov.: of London, Sov.: Chapter, Ontario; J. Howard Beatty, 18°, of New Brunswick; D'Arcy Heath, 18°, Montreal, and Ill.: Bro.: W. B. Simpson, 33°, Grand Chancellor of this Council. In the death of these Brethren the Rite has lost good and true men and earnest Masons.

The Committee is pleased to recommend that a warrant be issued to the Rose of Sharon Chapter of Rose Croix, Kingston, now working under dispensation.

The Committee is pleased to learn that there is a prospect of establishing new bodies in New Brunswick,

The statement of the Deputy for Nova Scotia, that in his opinion the Rite will not advance in that Province until there is one or more resident thirty-thirds there, has had the earnest consideration of the Committee, who agree with the suggestion, and recommend that some Ill.: Bro.: be nominated at this session for the degree of Sov.: Grand Inspector-General, so that the Rite may have in that Province a resident head who will specially see to the propagation of the Order.

Fraternally submitted,

HUGH MURRAY, 33°. I. H. STEARNS, 33°.

On motion, the above report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Audit and Finance reported as follows:

HAMILTON, 23d October, 1883.

To the Supreme Council, 33°, for the Dominion of Canada.

The Committee on Audit and Finance have carefully examined the books and accounts of the Secretary and Treasurer-General and find them correct, Showing cash balance on hand to the credit of the Supreme Council of \$1,284.13, which amount is deposited in the Bank of Hamilton in the name of the Treasurer-General.

Fraternally submitted,

I. H. STEARNS, 33°. HUGH MURRAY, 33°.

The committee to whom was entrusted the duty of preparing a suitable resolution on the death of the late Ill.: Grand Chancellor reported the following, which, on motion, was adopted:

Resolved,—That, inasmuch as it hath pleased the Almighty disposer of all things to remove another member of the Supreme Council, our late Grand Chancellor, Ill.. Bro.. W. B. Simpson, thereby breaking another link in our golden chain, and making still less our little band, this Council desires to express its sorrow at his sad and unexpected decease, and its high appreciation of his moral worth and Masonic experience. It was little thought at the last session when our deceased brother was penning a resolution of sorrow over the departure of our late lamented Grand Commander, that in one short year another committee should be entrusted with a similar resolution to his memory. May this

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A circular was read from the Supreme Council of England, Wales, &c., announcing the restoration of Antiquity Chapter Rose Croix, Bath, England, which had been placed under suspension.

The special committee appointed to examine into the 33° reported that they had carefully completed their work, and recommended that the same be handed to the Sov.. Gr.. Commander for his examination, and that at the next session the work be exemplified. This recommendation was adopted.

The Secretary General suggested the advisibility of defining the relative powers and prerogatives of Past Active and Honorary 33rds, whereupon it was moved by Ill.: Bro.: J. V. Ellis, seconded by Ill.: Bro.: H. Murray, and resolved, that a committee be appointed to suggest such alterations to the statutes as may be necessary, owing to the altered circumstances defining the powers of the Past Active and Honorary 33rds, and to provide for holding executive sessions.

The following were appointed a committee for this purpose, viz.:

Ill.: Bro.: H. A. MACKAY.

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It was then moved by Ill.. Bro.. J. W. Murton, seconded by Ill.. Bro.. I. H. STEARNS, that the amount of \$100 be placed at the disposal of Mrs. Harington, the widow of the Sov.. Gr.. Commander.—Carried.

The Supreme Council was then called to refreshment at 1 o'clock.

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The Sov.: Gr.: Commander, in a few well chosen words, announced that the Election of Officers for the ensuing three years would now take place.

Ill.: Brothers H. Murray and C. N. Bell were appointed a Board of Scrutineers, and the Election proceeded, the following being the result:

WM. HENRY HUTTON,

Sovereign Grand Commander.

JOHN VALENTINE ELLIS,

Lieutenant Grand Commander.

JOHN WALTER MURTON,

Secretary General, H .: . E .: .

HUGH ALEXANDER MACKAY,

Treasurer General, H.: E .:

BENJAMIN LESTER PETERS,

Grand Chancellor.

WILLIAM REID,

Grand Master of Ceremonies.

ISAAC HENRY STEARNS,

Grand Marshall.

HUGH MURRAY.

Grand Standard Bearer.

EUGENE MORTIMER COPELAND,

Grand Captain of the Guard.

The following Illustrious Deputies were then appointed:

FOR ONTARIO.

Ill. . Bro. . HUGH MURRAY.

FOR QUEBEC.

Ill. Bro. ISAAC HENRY STEARNS.

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The Sov.: Grand Commander then named the following Standing Committees:

On Audit and Finance.

Ill.: Bro.: ISAAC H. STEARNS.

" EUGENE M. COPELAND.

" HUGH MURRAY.

On Foreign Correspondence and Relations.

Ill.: Bro.: John V. Ellis.

" B. LESTER PETERS.

" DAVID R. MUNRO.

On Jurisprudence and Legislation.

Ill.: Bro.: HUGH MURRAY.

" JOHN W. MURTON.

" HUGH A. MACKAY.

On the Doings of Subordinate Bodies.

Ill. Bro. Hugh A. MACKAY.

" CHARLES N. BELL.

" ISAAC H. STEARNS.

On the Doings of Inspectors General and Special Deputies.

Ill.: Bro.: B. LESTER PETERS.

" WM. REID.

" ROBERT. T. CLINCH.

On the Library.

Ill.: Bro.: ISAAC H. STEARNS.

" WM. H. HUTTON.

" JOHN V. ELLIS.

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It was moved by Ill.: Bro.: I. H. STEARNS, and seconded by Ill.: Bro.: Chas. N. Bell, that the Secretary General be instructed to have 500 copies of these proceedings printed for distribution.—Carried.

The following report of the Committee on Foreign Relations and Correspondence was then read:

To the M.:. Sov.: Grand Commander and Members of the Supreme Council for the Dominion of Canada.

The Committee on Foreign Relations begs to submit its annual report:

The Committee announces with satisfaction that all the external relations of the Supreme Council are of a friendly kind; and with those Councils with which we have more intimate relations, the correspondence is of the most kindly and fraternal character.

ENGLAND.

This distinguished Council, not issuing any Proceedings or Bulletin, the only information your Committee can glean concerning it is by direct correspondence and from what may appear about it in the publications of sister Supreme Councils. It continues to extend a knowledge of the teachings of the Rite, and its affairs are managed with great ability and discretion. From the Secretary-General your Committee learns that this Supreme Council, hearing of our intention of forming a library, very generously offered to present us with a number of valuable books, which will no doubt prove a great addition to our small beginning in that line, and certainly manifests the interest felt by the Mother Council in that of her daughter, the Supreme Council of Canada. The visit to this county this year of the Past Sov. Grand Commander Earl Carnaryon, and of the Sov. Grand Commander the Earl of Lathon, excited much interest among Canadian Masons.

SCOTLAND.

The Annual Reporter for the year ending May, 1883, has been received. The Supreme Council had issued a warrant for a Consistory at Brisbane, Queensland, and has now on its roll five Consistories, K. H., and ten Chapters of Rose Croix. An effort had been made to settle the differences with the Supreme Council of England, but without effect. Writing on July 13, 1882, Ill.: Bro.: MELVILLE states that he had written to LORD LATHOM, the head of the English Council, a private letter expressive of his desire of again cementing the friendly relations between the two Supreme Councils. He goes on to say: "I stated that as the colonies seemed to be the great bone of contention, matters would now be allowed to remain as at present, and that in future no English Mason should be made in any of our Lodges or Consistories, and no Scotch Mason be made in any of theirs. I had a most kind reply, in which LORD LATHON

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In this letter, which is addressed to Bro.: PIKE, Bro.: MELVILLE expresses his willingness, as had been suggested by Bro.: PIKE in 1880, to leave the whole matter to the arbitration of the Supreme Councils of the Northern and Southern Jurisdictions of the United States and of Canada, and he suggests that the Tribunal of Arbitration could meet in New York, and asks Bro.: PIKE to formally propose the same.

The Supreme Council resolved to recognzie the Supreme Council of Spain, of which Bro. Antonio Romero Ortiz is the head. It appears from a statement made to the Supreme Council that terms of agreement with the Brethren in New Zealand had been made, but it is not stated what these are. Place is given in the Reporter to documents from the Supreme Council of Canada announcing the formation of an illegal body here, and all bodies of the Scottish obedience are warned to give "no countenance to this spurious and clandestine body, nor to any one belonging to nor admitted therein."

Since the issue of the Reporter we have received the sad intelligence of the death of the Illustrious Brother so long at the head of the Supreme Council, and whose nobility of character, kindness, and moral principles endeared him to Masons of all degrees by whom he was known. In addition to the personal feelings entertained towards him by all of our Rite in Canada who knew him, or who knew of him, Ill.. Bro.. Melville is historically connected with the introduction of the Rite into Canada, the Chapter and Consistory at St. John, New Brunswick, holding of the Supreme Council of Scotland, having been organized through him, and in their welfare, up to the time of the union under our own jurisdiction, he ever manifested earnest interest. The Illustrious Brother took a deep interest in all branches of the Fraternity, and at the time of his death was Grand Master of the Scottish Order of the Temple as well as Sov.. Grand Commander of the Supreme Council. His memory will long be a precious treasure to the Rite, and to the Craft generally. The Supreme Council for Scotland announces his death in the following letter. (See Appendix B.)

IRELAND.

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BELGIUM.

The Bulletin of the Supreme Council of Belgium contains a record of the business for the year ending 1st November, 1882, a resume of the proceedings of other Supreme Councils, list of officers, members, etc. The Supreme Council's in fraternal association with twenty-eight Supreme Councils, and with a number of Grand Lodges. It is comprised of thirty active members, and is a very earnest and spirited body. During the present year it celebrated the eighty-fifth anniversary of its foundation. A very interesting feature of the work of the Ritein Belgium is the constant report to the Supreme Council by the subordinate bodies of what they are doing. One body reports that it has had a conference on the subject of electoral reform. Another has studied the question whether in those countries in which the citizens are deprived of the right of voting they should agitate for it, and to what extent and by what means. The "philosophical and religious movement in the United States" has claimed the attention of another. Of course, these and many other questions are discussed from a purely abstract standpoint, and not with any view of political or other interference. On 17th December the Lodge Septentrion, at Gaud, held a memorial service on the death of PRINCE WILLIAM FREDERIC CHARLES, for many years head of the Fraternity in the Netherlands. It invited the Supreme Council to be represented officially on the occasion, and the Supreme Council appointed three of its members to attend to that duty. The Ill.: Bro.: PAPPAERT subsequently reported that he had attended the ceremony, at which many of the Belgium Lodges were represented; that a large number of the lodges of Holland sent deputations, and that the Grand Orient of the country was represented by one of its chief officers. After the private Lodges were received, and before the delegate of the Grand Orient of Holland had formally been introduced, the delegate of the Supreme Council was formally received, and was welcomed with truly fraternal emotion by the Wor. . Master of the Lodge Suptentrion, who expressed his pleasurable satisfaction that the body governing the A.: and A.: Scottish Rite in Belgium had, despite the difference in their flags, sent a representative to their ceremonial, thus affirming ideas of progress, fraternity and brotherhood. The memorial ceremonies were imposing, and were perfectly conducted. They had for their founds tion the acknowlegment of the Grand Architect of the universe and the immortality

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of the soul; while the delicate points in the situation remained in the shade, the grand principles of tolerance for the living, peace and respect for the dead, directed the work. The members of the lodge exercised the duties of hospitality towards their visitors with much tact. Two grants of two hundred francs were made by the Supreme Council to the schools which it annually assists. At the sitting of 18th March, 1882, announcement was made of the death of the Sov.: Grand Commander of Canada, Bro.: T. D. HARINGTON, and of the late Sov.: Grand Commander, Bro.: Ferreira, of Peru. Letters of condolence were ordered to be sent to each Supreme Council, and a triple battery of sorrow is associated with the regrets with which intelligence of the death is recorded. At the same sitting the Supreme Council resolved to decline to enter into fraternal relations with a body calling itself the "Supreme Council of the United States of America, its Territories and Dependencies," of which HOPKINS THOMSON is the head, and ROBERT P. FOLGER, secretary, which body claims to have revived the so-called Cerneau Council. The Supreme Council of Belgium says that the Cerneau Council was dissolved by its own act in 1867, so that there exists no longer the power to revive it. The conclusion was unanimously agreed to. The Supreme Council of Tunis, of Egypt, and of the Dominican Republic were recognized. At the session of 18th March, when the sixty-fifth anniversary of the foundation of the Supreme Council was celebrated, Ill.. Bro.: PAPPAERT delivered a most interesting and an eloquent address, in which he reviewed the pasthistory and the present condition and standing of the A.: and A.: Rite in Belgium, and strikingly contrasted the past and the present, deducing therefrom views as to future duties, and justifying the reforms in Masonry which have been the result of its progress. While the fundamental law of Masonry is the same as it was when the Supreme Council was formed, yet its role has been enlarged; and while Masonry should discuss broadly the grand principles which interest all humanity, the ties should not be forgotten which unite citizens of the same nationality and inspire them with grand sentiments which attach to country, to liberty and to progress. At the banquet the Grand Commander, who is Minister of Public Instruction, presided. He said, in replying to his health, that it was a pleasure to meet again those who show him so much sympathy and amity. The Grand Commander, being a Minister of State, does not take active part in the work of the Supreme Council. Complaint was made by the National Grand Orient of Roumania of the action of the Grand Orient of France and that of Rome, of the infringement of the rights of Roumanian Lodges, and the Supreme Council wás asked to use its influence near these two authorities to get them to respect the great principles which rule the Fraternity. As the Supreme Council has not fraternal relations with either of these bodies-or, for that matter, with the Roumanian body either -it could not interfere. At the June session, the Supreme Council occupied itself with the persecutions to which the Jews are subject in Russia. It felt that it should do something to solace the victims of a religious hate which is as vicious as anything that existed in the worst days of the middle ages. It voted two hundred francs to the relief fund. The Supreme Council also took notice of the persecution in Germany of some members of the Fraternity because they were Masons. Application having been made to the Supreme Council with the view

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of establishing a Lodge at Jassy, it replied that it did not intend to recede from its action not to found bodies outside of Belgium. It would devote itself entirely to the development of Belgian Masonry. A Lodge in Italy announced to the Supreme Council by letter that it had resolved to withdraw itself from the Grand Orient of Rome and to declare itself free and independent, and it asked the Supreme Council to fraternally correspond with it. The Supreme Council, commenting on the gravity of the step taken by the Lodge, says it is due to the unhappy strifes which have so long prevailed in the obedience under which it finds itself. At the same time, as the Supreme Council recognizes the Supreme Council at Turin as the legitimate head of Italian Masonry, it cannot respond to this proposition. The condition of the Rite in Belgium is, in every way, satisfactory; the offices of the Supreme Council are managed with prudence and moderation, and the result is progress and harmony.

FRANCE.

The Annuaire of the Supreme Council for France, and its Memorandum, as well as several numbers of the Bulletin of the Grand Orient, have been received by the Secretary-General. Very determined efforts have been made by the more active and best disposed of the French Freemasons to bring about a fusion of Rites. and to unite the French Masonic family under one head. At one time this seemed yery near accomplishment, but several things stand in the way. The chief obstacle is the past course of the Supreme Council in regard to the Declaration of Principles adopted at Lausanne. That Declaration has not been satisfactory to the large majority of the English speaking Councils, but it is conservatism itself compared with the advanced views of the Grand Orient. The efforts made to secure union have resulted in bringing about the re-establishment of harmonious relations between the Supreme Council of the A.: & A.: Rite and the Grand Orient. For a number of years fraternal intercourse between these two Bodies had ceased; but recently there has been an interchange of representatives, and at the Summer Feast prominent members of the Council of the Grand Orient sat side by side with the dignitaries of the Supreme Council. Ill.: Bro.: RAYMOND, Grand Orator of the Supreme Council, made a very able speech at the festival which followed the session of the General Assembly of the Grand Orient, on 15th September last, at Paris, and was heartily received by the brothers present. It is noted in the proceedings of the Supreme Council, of which Ill. '. Bro. '. PROAL is Sov. '. Grand Commander, that the Minister of War had issued a circular restricting the military in their intercourse with civil societies. A commission of the Supreme Council had endeavored to ascertain whether or not the restriction applied to military men who are Freemasons, but the information they obtained was not satisfactory. Subsequently, a member of the government, who was of the 33°, was waited on, and he gave assurances that were gratifying to the Supreme Council. In many of the French Lodges there is much activity. Here is an example: The Grand Chancellor reports that the Mount Sinai Lodge has taken the initiative of a creation on which it should be warmly congratulated; it has asked the Supreme Council to authorise, for all the Lodges in Paris, a reunion monthly, under the presidency, alternatively, of each

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Worshipful Master, to discuss questions of philosophy, morals and social economy. The Supreme Council is moved to give this authorisation, well convinced that this grouping will result in great good for the fraternity. Two sittings had been held and had abundantly proved the utility of the work. The question discussed was "The Duties of Society towards Infancy-Childhood," and great interest was manifested. The Lodge Les Philanthropes Réunis had taken the initiative in a measure for the foundation of a general fund of benevolence for unfortunate brothers. Two Chapters are mentioned for the activity of their work, and for the zeal with which they study philosophic questions of interest to Freemasons. Four new Lodges had been founded during the year. The Supreme Council, in answer to a demand from a Body in Rome, claiming to be a Supreme Council, replied that the Lausanne Convention had regularly recognised the Supreme Council at Turin and that nothing now could be done. Recognition was refused to the Grand Lodge of Colon and the Isle of Cuba, on the ground that a Supreme Council was already recognised in that country as a regular Masonic power. Evidently the Supreme Council of France took this view of the matter under a misapprehension.

The Bulletin of the Grand Orient is also received, although we have no other intercourse with this Masonic power. Bro.: St. Jean, the President of the Council of the Order of the Grand Orient, died at the close of the last year; and as, for several years, he had devoted his time almost exclusively to the interests of the Grand Orient, the Council settled a pension of 2,400 fr. annually, upon his widow. Bro.: St. Jean's death was preceded by that of Bro.: Thevenot, head of the Secretariat; and Bro.: GRIMAUX, who succeeded Bro.: THEVENOT, died in July last. These deaths materially interfered with the man gement of the affairs of the Grand Orient. Bro.: Cousin succeeded Bro.: St. Jean as President of the Council of the Order, but there seems to be a disposition to do away with this office, and to manage the Council by choosing at each meeting a Chairman. It is evident from the address of Bro.: Cousin at the General Assembly of the Grand Orient in September, that he hopes to re-establish the interrupted relation between the Grand Orient and most of the foreign Grand Bodies. There are on the roll of the Grand Orient 319 Bodies, viz.: 283 Lodges, 34 Chapters, 11 Councils, one Consistory, with a Grand College of Rites. The President declared that the financial position of the Order was satisfactory, and its moral prosperity very gratifying. The General Assembly was composed of about three hundred and forty members, and the transaction of business occupied nearly a week. The Grand Orator delivered an eloquent address, copies of which have been sent us in separate covers. It advances ideas concerning the fraternity which are calculated to surprise, if not to alarm, the Freemasons of

SWITZERLAND.

The only communication which we have received from the Supreme Council of Switzerland is dated December, 1882, and announces the death on 7th November of the Ill.: Bro.:. Antoine Amberney, Sov.: Grand Commander

of that Supreme Council, in the 68th year of his age. We assure our Brothers of that Supreme Council of our tenderest sympathies on the very great loss which they have sustained.

LUXEMBOURG.

In the Bulletin of the Supreme Council for Belgium there is a Tableau of the Supreme Council of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, but of its importance, or of the number of its subordinates, no information is at hand. It is not recognized by the Grand Councils of the Northern or Southern Jurisdiction of the United States.

ITALY.

Our Supreme Council was notified on the 20th June last of the death, on the 17th day of that month, of Ill.. Bro.. the COUNT ALEXANDER DE MILBITZ, Sov.. Grand Commander of the Supreme Council of our correspondence, sitting at Turin, at the venerable age of 82 years, and eminent alike as a patriot, a soldier, a Freemason. His death will undoubtedly be a very great loss to the Fraternity and to the Rite in Italy. The Committee recommends that the excellent sketch of the career of this Illustrious Brother in the circular of Bro.. Albert Pike, dated from the Orient of Charlestown, 9th October, 1883, be printed as part of the Appendix to these proceedings.

It is to be hoped that the more moderate and well-disposed Freemasons in Italy will endeavor to re-establish harmony in the Craft in that interesting jurisdiction. The Supreme Council at Turin has been recognized by almost all the Supreme Councils in the world as the legitimate authority of the Rite, and as such had a seat in the Lausanne Convention. Fulminations against its authority are, therefore, folly. At the same time, it is possible that a strenuous effort to make peace, and a little sacrifice in all quarters, would produce good results.

In April last, a body sitting at Rome, and declaring itself a Supreme Council, sent out a very strong declaration to the effect that the only regular power of the Ancient and Accepted Rite is that at Rome, of which G. TAMAJO is head, and suspending all relations "excepting those of charity and fraternity with the Foreign Masonic powers which continue to maintain relations with the Supreme Council at Turin," which is declared to be without support either in Italy or the Italian colonies. A list is given of sixty-three members alleged to be of the 33° in connection with this Supreme Council, many of them evidently men of position and character. At the meeting of 1882 of the Supreme Council of the Northern Jurisdiction U. S. A., a resolution was moved, and went to the Foreign Relations Committee, proposing the cessation of relations between that Supreme Council and the Supreme Council of Turin, until harmony should be established in Italy. Such a resolution could scarcely be accepted, for if the Supreme Council at Turin is the head of legitimate Freemasonry, all legitimate Freemasons are interested in upholding its authority. In his report to the Northern Supreme Council for the same year, Bro.: A. G. GOODALL says that "there are in Rome as true, honest and sincere members of the Fraternity

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We have not yet recognized any body of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite in this country, although the Sovereign Grand Commander is authorized to enter into fraternal relations with one of the bodies there if it is deemed advisable to do so. The Supreme Councils of the Northern and the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States, the Supreme Council for Scotland, the Supreme Council for Greece, and, probably, the Supreme Council for Belgium, have recognized the Sagasta Body, of which Ill.: Bro.: ORTIZ is now Sovereign Grand Commander. There are several bodies now claiming supreme authority in Spain, but how many of them are under the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite is not known to the committee. There is a Symbolic Grand Lodge recently formed, which works only the three degrees, under the Grand Mastership of Bro.: JUAN A. PEREZ; and there is also another independent Grand Lodge, the Seville Confederation, composed of Lodges which were formerlly under the Lusitanian Grand Orient, but which dissolved their connection with that body in terms satisfactory to it. The Grand Lodge of Colon, in the Isle of Cuba, has recognized this body as the Grand Lodge of Spain.

Continual references are made in some of the European newspapers to the political complexion of Spanish Freemasonry.

PORTUGAL.

The Grand Orient Lusitanian and Supreme Council of Portugal is the principal governing body of Masonry in Portugal. It appears to work the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, the French or Modern Rite, and the Symbolic Rite. The last seems to have recently been taken up; and it is a grave question, indeed, as to what is the difference between a Supreme Council which works these different Rites and one which adopts the Egyptian or Primitive Rite. A Brother, J. D'A. DE FRANCA NETTO, claims to have introduced the Symbolic Rite, and recently he has taken out from under the jurisdiction of the Grand Orient and Supreme Council, a number of the Symbolic Lodges; and they have formed, as has been done in Spain and Peru, a Grand Lodge controlling the three degrees. Formerly. this Brother was Vice-President of the Supreme Chamber of the Symbolic Rite, a constituent part of the Grand Orient and Supreme Council, but he appears to have been excluded from the Supreme Council by some movement which is not clearly stated, and the result has been the formation of a Grand Lodge.

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There is no doubt that almost all Masons who speak the English language, and who are acquainted with the excellence of the Grand Lodge system of government, heartily sympathise with any movement to secure for the Symbolic Lodges self-government. But they do not forget the principle of order, the practice of discipline, the duty of submission to constituted authorities. If Masons are made, if Lodges exist, under a system of government by which they owe obedience to a regularly constituted authority, and if they derive their existence from that authority, can they easily set aside all regard for law, dissolve their connection with their mother authority, and set up a new government for themselves? The establishment in France of a Symbolic Grand Lodge of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite was done in violation of every sound principle of Masonic law and justice, because the Lodges uniting in that formation were bound to the Supreme Council, and the connection ought only to be dissolved by mutual consent. The Peruvian Lodges which violently withdrew from the authority of the Grand Orient, or Supreme Council, cannot be justified in their mode of doing this, although one may have sympathy with the object for which they are striving. Have the Lodges in Fortugal, which have withdrawn from the Grand Orient and formed a new authority, the right to take the step without first being released from their allegiance? It is not a similar case to Lodges forming a Grand Lodge in their own country where there is no Grand Lodge, they deriving their authority from a Grand body outside. The right to do this is recognized the world over. But if the Symbolic Lodges are governed in their own country by a Grand Orient, in which they are represented, the proper course would be to get permission to depart in peace. Supreme Councils everywhere would best consult the interests of Freemasonry by advising and helping Lodges to self-government, leaving the superior degrees to the Councils.

HUNGARY.

There is in Hungary a Symbolic Grand Lodge, embracing only three degrees, and a Grand Orient and Supreme Council of the A. . . & A. . . Rite, which appears also to have under its control Lodges. Both Bodies are apparently in harmony. Some effort has been made to bring about a fusion of Rites. The Grand Orient has under its jurisdiction twenty-three Lodges. We have no information as to what Bodies there are of the Supreme Degrees. The Grand Orient and Supreme Council have an official organ, le Hajnol, and the Symbolic Grand Lodge has also an organ, the Orient. Among the Lodges under both authorities there is a great deal of philanthropy.

ROUMANIA.

There is a Grand Lodge in this country, and a Supreme Body of some kind, which appears to have under its control a number of Rites; and there is much confusion and disputation. The Supreme Council for Belgium says in its proceedings: "The differences and dissensions in Masonry in this country are of such a nature that following the example of the Swiss authority, "Alpina, we declare our wish in the future to have nothing to do with it while affairs are in this state. It would be necessary to be on the spot to appreciate the true con-

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GREECE.

Nothing from this Supreme Council has been sent to the committee. There appears to be harmony among the Freemasons of Greece, and the Lodges and other bodies are doing good work. A Masonic review, printed in the Greek anguage, has lately been established at Athens. In November last this Supreme Council recognized the Supreme Council of Spain, of which Bro.: ORTIZ is Grand Commander.

TUNIS.

Although your Committee has each year since its foundation reported upon he proceedings of the Supreme Council of Tunis, and the Supreme Council of Canada recognized that body by formal resolution at the session of 1881, there eems to have been no intimation of this fact sent to the Grand Chancellor of Tunis, if we are to judge by the letter of Ill.: Bro.: BURLIZZI, printed as Appendix J, in our Proceedings of last year. In last year's report mention was nade of the fact that Ill.. Bro.: CASSANELLO, the founder and Sov.: Grand ommander, had resigned his position. A late circular announces that III.: ro, . Desmons had been chosen his successor, and Bro. . Cassanello succeeds ro.: Nuzzi as Grand Chancellor and Grand Secretary. In regard to Bro.: ESMONS, it appears that he is an active member of the Supreme Council of rance, and that body has called his attention to the incompatibility of his exersing his functions in two bodies, and has asked him to resign either in one or e other. On assuming office, Ill.: Bro.: DESMON ssued a spirited address the Craft, in which he congratulated the Supreme Council on the fact that by

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its wisdom and moderation it has been able in two years to establish itself securely in the great family of Scottish Freemasonry, and that nearly all the regular Supreme Councils have established fraternal relations with it. Amid the most difficult circumstances, he says, the Tunisian Freemasonry has given to the world a grand example; in the midst of the most grave state complications the Lodges have not suspended their work, nor the Craftsmen deserted their columns; no link in the chain of union is broken, nor has the kiss of peace ceased to circulate; and he urges them to the work of moral and intellectual reform which shall restore to their country her former greatness. The Supreme Council appears to be composed of eleven members.

EGYPT

In the disturbed condition of Egyptian affairs little progress can be expected in Freemasonry, although something may be done by the good influence of the Society to mitigate the political troubles which exist. In the extracts given elsewhere from the address of Ill. . Bro. . PIKE to his Supreme Council, he treats of a matter of some importance. The cumulation of Rites can do no good, but is a prolific source of trouble. The Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite embraces all that is valuable in Ancient and Modern Freemasonry. It is founded on a pure system of morals, expounds broad philosophic dogmas, teaches just principles of tolerance and liberty, and is quick with the spirit of true brotherhood. It opens a practically unlimited field for the Masonic student, and it can assimilate to itself nothing from the so-called Rites which appropriate the titles of its degrees and its teachings. It is but just that it should decline to acknowledge parasite systems which seek to strengthen themselves by preying upon it, which are comparatively worthless, and have only a paper existence. In one of the late issues of the Bulletin of the Supreme Council of Cuba considerable space is given, in an approving way, to an account of a so-called Egyptian Rite. The space taken up might be better employed than in coquetting with this absurdity.

On 24th December last, Ill.. Bro.. Zola, Grand Commander of the Supreme Council of Egypt, wrote to Bro.. Pike informing him that the Supreme Council of Egypt had conferred the title of Sov. Grand Commander Honoray on "our beloved Brother, Mahomet Tewfik I., Khedive of Egypt, 33°, and active member of our Supreme Council, as a well-deserved recompense for his constancy, and for the protection by him extended to the persecuted Europeans," and he asks Bro.. Pike to confer the rank of Honorary member in the Southern Council on the same Brother "for the traits of true justice and humanity displayed by him towards all, without distinction of caste or nationality." Bro. Pike answers in friendly terms, promising to take the matter up in 1884, when his Supreme Council again meets, "if assured by you that he (the Khedive), takes a part in the deliberations of your Supreme Council, not being a Mason and a member of it merely in name, as is too often the case with rulers and noblemen." Bro Pike then goes on to say:—

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"So long as the Supreme Council of Egypt is in any way connected in public opinion with the Rite of Memphis, it will not gain the place which it desires among the Supreme Councils of the World. If the membership is the same, the Bodies will be regarded as one; and your Supreme Council will be always discredited thereby. The Rite of Memphis is not recognized as having a legitimate place among Masonic Rites; and the Supreme Councils of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite will not consent, at least many of them will not, to give it and its Powers the benefit of their guarantee or endorsement in any way.

"I have already felt constrained to suggest to the other Councils of our League, whether it will not become necessary for us to consider the question, whether we can with propriety continue to maintain relations of amity and correspondence with a Body which is, in effect, at once Supreme Council of our Rite, and a Power of the Oriental, Egyptian, or Memphis Rite.

"Such a connection cannot but be injurious to our Rite, because it places it upon a level with a Rite whose Powers are not regarded as respectable, are not recognized by, and can have no communication with, the regular Masonic Powers of the World.

"Every 33d of our Rite in this country is solemnly bound never to recognize any higher Degree of the 33d of our Rite in Masonry. While we do not assail the Rite of Memphis, nor deny that it is a Masonic Rite, we do not acknowledge and recognize it as such. Whatever may be the merit of its Degrees, as to which we know nothing, it is generally regarded as not legitimate Masonry; and, while we have never spoken otherwise than respectfully of its Powers, wherever in Europe they have risen, flourished a little while and died of inanition, the Rite in this country neither has had nor has been entitled to our respect.

"If it be true that the Supreme Council of Egypt is at the same time a Power of the Oriental Rite, or if the same BB.*. compose the two Powers, and the sessions of each are so held, and the business so conducted that they are virtually

one Body, it is difficult to see how we can maintain communication with or send Rituals to the Supreme Council so united or allied.

"It is not as if the two Rites were totally distinct from each other. The same Brethren could compose a Supreme Council of the 33d Degree, and a conclave of Knights of the House of the Temple, because neither would pretend that its Degrees, or any of them, are identical with those of the other. But the Rite of Memphis, like the Rite of Mizram, claims to possess the chief Degrees of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. It is, therefore, essentially a rival Rite, pretending to confer many of our Degrees, to none of which can it show legitimate title. In this country it pretends to give the same 33d Degree as ours, and is essentially a hostile Rite. We cannot, therefore, give it our countenance anywhere, nor have relations of amity with a Power that can be mistaken for a Body of that Rite.

"We hold that the Supreme Councils, only, can govern and administer the Degrees above the third, in any country; and I do not see how we can permit ourselves to appear as recognizing in any other country any other power of the higher Degrees than a Supreme Council, unless, as in the case of Ireland with the Grand Chapter of the Degree of Rose Croix, the Body administering any of our Degrees possessed them before Supreme Councils were established.

"The origin and history of the Rites of Mizraim and Memphis are well known. We know when the Brothers Bedarrio appeared at Paris with the former, and when Marconis de Negre added degrees to it and so made the Rite of Memphis.

"I submit these difficulties, with which my mind is laboring, to your consideration, hoping that you will not see, in what I have written, any desire or intention to encroach upon the dignity or prerogatives of your Supreme Council. I beg you to consider whether it is not sufficient for you and your Brethren to be a Supreme Power, the Peer of twenty-three others of our Rite, without wishing to be another Power at the same time. Does not one detract from the other? and will it not be wise for you to elect between them? In my opinion you will find it necessary to do so in order to maintain your rank and dignity as one of the Great Masonic Powers of the World. It is our strong desire to assist you to do this; and I therefore feel that I am not taking too much upon myself in saying that our efforts in your behalf will surely fail, if persons go about exhibiting Patents of the 33d Degree of our Rite, and the 95th of that of Memphis, both bearing the same signatures, and seeming to be issued by the same body of men.

"I have herein assumed the privilege of advice which friend concedes to friend, and I hope that what I have said may commend itself to your sound judgment, and that you and your Brethren will see the wisdom of abandoning their organization as a Body of the Rite of Memphis."

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The session of the Supreme Council for 1883 (this year) was held in the magnificent cathedral of the Rite in Cincinnati, and was visited by Ill.: Bro.: WILLIAM REID, Grand Master of Ceremonies of the Supreme Council of Canada. Fourteen members of the thirty-second degree had the honorary thirty-third conferred upon them, and four active members were created. The Grand Commander reported that the amount of work during the year exceeded that of any previous year, and that the total membership of the Rite is close up to ten thousand. A resolution passed recognizing the exclusive jurisdiction of Grand Lodges over the symbolic degrees. The fees to the Supreme Council, payable by subordinate bodies, were reduced one-third. A revision of the constitution was adopted increasing the powers of the State Councils of Deliberation, and entrusting them with the control of the Rite in the States in which they exist. Exhibition of portions of the degrees, illustrative of particular scenes, were given by the subordinate bodies at Cincinnati, with a degree of splendor that excited general admiration. This Supreme Council, with its large membership, ample funds, splendid spirit, and great ability. has the capacity to make the Rite a

SOUTHERN JURISDICTION, U. S. A.

The Supreme Council met in bi-annual session in the House of the Temple, Washington, 16th October, 1882. Bro.: ALBERT PIKE, Sov.: Grand Commander, presided, and there were present ten other active members of the Supreme Council, several honorary members, and a number of visiting Inspectors. General from the Northern Jurisdiction. The Sov.: Grand Commander's allocution is one of the most interesting he ever delivered, which is saying a great deal. Since the last meeting of the Supreme Council three active members had passed away, Ill. . Brothers MACKEY, the Secretary-General ; HUBBARD, of California; and BOWER, of Iowa. Two foreign honorary members are also numbered with the dead. Ill.: Brothers HARINGTON, of Canada, and FERREIRA, of Peru. The death of five Honorary Inspectors-General is also reported. PIKE is now the oldest active member of his Supreme Council, his membership dating from 1858. Reference to the dead drew from him eloquent tributes to those who had passed away. He also gave a very interesting sketch of the work of the Supreme Council. On the call of the session of the Supreme Council in 1859, only three membersa ttended at Charleston, but there these elected several new members and increased the actual membership to thirty-three:-

"In April, 1861, a session of the Supreme Council was held at New Orleans, and no other was held until the Autumn of 1865. I had completed a revision of the Degrees, without assistance from any one, before I became Grand Commander, and had printed it at my own expense, that it might be intelligently considered by the Supreme Council; and from this by a final revision I prepared, also without assistance, even to the extent of the writing of a single line, from any one, the several Rituals as they were afterwards printed in volumes. When the war commenced, Bros.'. Macoy and Sickels, in New York, had printed the Ritual of 15 and 16, and a few pages of that of 17; and when the war ended the work was renewed, and by means almost altogether of moneys earned by Bro.'. Shaw in California and Ainsworth in Oregon, the printing of the Rituals was completed.

"We now have 96 Subordinate Bodies, Grand Consistories included, which make regular returns and pay dues. We have printed, in all, thirty volumes of Rituals, Ceremonies and other works, and one volume of our Music, the plates of the other volumes being ready to be printed from. We have paid, for printing these works, and for other printing and stereotyping, more than thirty-five thousand dollars. The printing of the Music alone will have cost us over thirty-five hundred dollars. We own the stereotype plates of all our own works, except the volumes of the Transactions and Bulletin, which have not been stereotyped. We have the electrotyped plates, made from draughts prepared for us by Bro.'. MacGrotty, of Letters of Constitution, Patents of the 33d, 32d, and 30th Degrees, Brief of the 18th and Diploma of the 14th; of Commissions of Foreign Representatives, and Diplomas of Foreign Honorary Members, and of Knight Com-

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"No other Masonic Power has ever collected and published all the Ancient Constitutions and Regulations. There are no Rituals as extensive and complete as ours; and other Supreme Councils have, with our consent, borrowed largely from them. There are no such Liturgies as ours, in point of printing and embellishment. No Bulletin as varied and extensive as ours is published by any Masonic Power. We have never set any limit as to cost of publication, and therefore our works are fit for a place in any library.

"In the Autumn of 1878 the Supreme Council was still not the owner of a single book. We determined then to create a little library, and in the Summer of 1880 we had accumulated that of which we printed a catalogue. We now have a Library of over five thousand volumes, not even in small part composed of worthless books and pamphlets and such trash as Masonic Libraries are in general largely made up of, but of books that are books, and many of them rare and valuable in an unusual degree, thousands of them English and French editions in costly binding, the whole worth at least twenty-five thousand dollars.

"In 1865 we had no foreign correspondence, and no Masonic Power in the world cared for our opinion, or was so poor as to pay us reverence. To-day we correspond with twenty Supreme Councils, and our opinions are respected everywhere.

"We insure the books of our own publishing, which we have on hand, as of the value of seven thousand five hundred dollars. Their selling value is not less than twice that. Our stereotype plates are worth their actual cost, at least ten thousand dollars.

"And we shall in a little while own a Home and 'House of the Temple' of the Supreme Council, having already, since the beginning of the month of February in this year, accumulated seven thousand and more dollars of the purchase-money, and being sure of ten thousand before the end of the year. Then we can become owners of the property, and before 1883 ends we will have paid the whole price, and hold it unincumbered, paying no interest on a debt incurred for its purchase, and not having resorted to individual subscriptions, nor called upon our Subordinate Bodies for contributions.

"And all this has been affected by the disinterested labours of a few men, in a few of our many States and Territories. It is worthy of note that the new States of Nevada and Oregon have contributed largely towards the Printing Fund, while Louisiana has contributed nothing; that the labours of our dear Bro." McDaniel in his old age supplied more money for our printing than came from all our other Atlantic States; that Washington Territory and Nebraska together contributed more to the Music Fund than all the Southern States together; that Texas has furnished all the means for printing the Ritual of 4 to

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14 in German, and has done more for the Home than any State or Territory; while Missouri and Arkansas, Mississippi and Iowa and Louisiana have done nothing for any fund; and that, for the Home, the Territory of Montana has contributed more than any State except Maryland, Texas, Georgia, Alabama, Nebraska and California; and the Territory of Dakota more than many of the States.

"I have had but one strong and constant desire for the last ten years, and to the accomplishment of that I have been willing to devote my life. That desire has been, and it is stronger now than ever, so to plant and increase and propagate the Rite that it shall continue to prosper in all our great Jurisdiction after I am dead. To this end I have laboured to establish Bodies, to prevent intrusions, to perfect our books, to accumulate a Library and other property, and to purchase a Home. So I have believed I could make reasonably certain the perpetuity of the Supreme Council.

"My efforts have been generally seconded by very many of the Brethren. Some, who would have been glad to help me, have found obstacles in the way that have proved unsurmountable. Some have made no effort; but none have thwarted and opposed. Where they could give nothing more, they have given their confidence; and this, never withdrawn or weakened, has been of inestimable benefit.

"I have not dwelt upon these things out of vaingloriousness, or to magnify myself; but that you and all men seeing what has already been effected, it may be made impossible for you and our successors to let it all come to nought. I cannot help knowing that the day is but a little way off when another, to be selected by you, must take my place; and I know that it will not be easy to find one who will be able to give to the duties of the office and the work of the Rite, so large a portion of his time, and labour so great and so constant, as these will demand of him. I wish, while I live, to make the work less difficult for him to do. I wish to leave the Rite, at my death, able to stand alone; and, God helping, I will.

"The work is in a measure done. The authority of this Supreme Council is established and undisputed throughout all its Jurisdiction; as firmly so in Minnesota and the Territories of Montana and Washington as it is in South Carolina and Texas. We have gained a place of honour among the Masonic Powers of the World, and what we say and decide is in many lands listened to with respect and consideration. We have a sufficient revenue, having been able to find the means wherewith to do our work; though, while we were struggling almost against hope, poor and in debt, more than ten thousand dollars which belonged to the Treasury failed to reach it, and although the Secretariat cost us, for eleven years after May, 1870, more than twenty thousand dollars.

"Surely you and those who come after you will not let this have been all done for nought! No greater shame and dishonour than that could befall any men.

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"Every Order has its periods of exaltation and depression; and in a wide jurisdiction like ours, prosperity and adversity will shift from place to place, as, when light clouds are in the summer sky, spots of sunshine and shadow shift and alternate upon the surface of the sea or limitless prairie. Change and mutability, in smaller or larger cycles, are the law of all being. Where to-day there are life and active energy, there will be to-morrow apathy and immobility. Where, this year, bodies sleep and dream, they will wake next year and work with renewed vigor. If, on the whole, we advance as the years grow gray and old, totter away to join the interminable procession that makes the port of Time, it should suffice to give us content.

"What has been done proves what can be done by continuance of exertion. We now have ninety-six bodies in our jurisdiction, which make returns and pay dues regularly, in our twenty-three States, eight Territories, the District of Columbia and foreign countries."

In regard to another matter, Bro.: PIKE says :-

"When the Supreme Council of Tunis was about to be organized, the first step of those who were to compose it was formally to abandon and utterly repudiate the Oriental Egyptian or Primitive Rite or Rite of Memphis, of which they had been a Supreme Power. I thought that the Supreme Council of Egypt had before then done the same; but I find that it holds itself out to the world, not only as a Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, but also as a Sovereign Sanctuary or something else of the 96th or some higher Degree of the Ancient Primitive Egyptian Rite of Memphis. I have also suggested to the Supreme Councils of our League that it will perhaps be well for us to consider whether we will not say to the Egyptian Body that it cannot be both Powers at once, and that it ought to abandon one or the other altogether. A Brother came here not long ago, on his way to Denmark, and exhibited to me his Patents, both granted to him by the Egyptian Body, of 33d of our Rite and 90th, 95th or 96th of the Oriental Primitive. I advised him to put the latter away out of sight, or his 33d Degree might be supposed to be as worthless as the other. I doubt whether we ought to continue to recognize a Body that also claims to be a power of another Rite, which has not since it was invented succeeded in making itself respectable, and a Patent of the 96th Degree wherein only subjects its holder to

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Referring to Spurious Council, Bro.: PIKE effectively says :-

"As you will see by the correspondence of the Supreme Council of Canada with us, a spurious Body has been established in the Dominion, deriving its powers from one of the three or four spurious Bodies in New York, which pretend to be the Supreme Council Cerneau continued or revived. You are familiar with the history of the succession of illegitimate Councils in that State, and know that Joseph Cerneau, in the year 1806, in which he made his appearance in New York, received in Cuba the twenty-fifth Degree (Prince of the Royal Secret) of the Rite of Perfection, and was made Deputy-Inspector for the northern part of the Island. He never had the 33d Degree, for immediately after he was found in New York; there was no Supreme Council in which he could have obtained it; he repudiated the Grand Constitutions, without recognizing which he could not have it; and he did not establish a Supreme Council in New York, but a Grand Consistory. This he afterwards undertook to turn into a Supreme Council. It figured as such for a time and died, and it has never been revived. Other Councils have sprung up one after the other, and all died, until the last of all was created as an entirely original Body, of Jacques Foulhouze, of Louisiana, as the Supreme Council of the State of New York, he having at the time a 'Supreme Council for the Sovereign and Independent State of Louisiana,' in New Orleans; and his theory being that each State was free, sovereign and independent, and entitled to a Supreme Council. This Body turned itself into a Supreme Council for the United States, by the easy process of changing its name, and translating falsely a letter from the Grand Orient of France; and it is it and no other which has come to life gain in New York, in the shape of three, if not four, spurious Councils, one of which by its agents some time since established a Consistory at Pensacola, supplying it with books stolen from us.

"A man who sells counterfeit Degrees, uttering and vending them as real and genuine, or who sells real ones to which he has no right, and which cannot obtain recognition for the purchaser in regular Bodies, does that which, it seems to me, is the same as uttering counterfeit coin or forged bank-notes. Ought we to recognize anywhere as worthy Masons those who in our Rite are impostors, or those who aid and abet their malfeasances, maintainining their pretensions and belonging to spurious Bodies established by them? Is that not to proclaim to all men, that notwithstanding the disreputable trade which these hucksters of base wares ply, we hold them to be Masons entitled to honour and esteem, not counting their doings to be such as defile a man.

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"While I will not permit the presence of any of these adventurers to drive me out of a Body to which I belong, I will not seek their company, nor have with them any Masonic relations or association that I can avoid. No legitimate Mason of our Rite ought to seek their company, or willingly endure it, anywhere.

"The Supreme Council for the Northern Jurisdiction has expelled from the Order such of these persons as were once of its obedience; but if the Brethren in New York still continue to recognize those so expelled as worthy Brethren and Knights, fraternizing with them in Blue Lodge and Commandery, as they are there free to do, the sentence of expulsion does not amount to anything. What will they care for it? If they are unworthy in our Rite, they are unworthy everywhere. Would an honorable man associate anywhere with venders of forged orders of nobility, or those who issue fraudulent diplomas, creating counterfeit Doctors of Medicine? or the chevaliers d'industrie who sell the Degrees of the Rite of Memphis for ten dollars, assuring the pigeons whom they pluck, that they are the Degrees of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite?

"The business of getting up spurious Bodies of one Rite and another, by men who wish to put money in their pockets for sham Degrees, and by sale of jewels and decorations, has become a crying and intolerable evil, and it has become absolutely necessary to relieve legitimate Masonry of the odium of it. I am in favor of immediate legislation, discouraging willing association with them, and especially prohibiting the healing, ever hereafter, in any way, of, or conferring our Degrees on any terms upon, any Mason who shall hereafter receive any pretended Degree of our Rite from or by authority of any spurious Body. Until we do that, we help to give credit to the false assurances of these venders of worthless wares, that in a very little while those who purchase from them will all be healed, as, they say, all heretofore have been in New York. And I would extend this to every one who has received Degrees in New Orleans, in Bodies of the obedience of the spurious Supreme Council of Louisiana, or in it, or by its authority in any way. When a man has once chosen such associates, let him remain with them."

He closed his eloquent address with these words:-

"Dear Brethren, some of us who are here may reasonably expect to outlive the present century. A little more than a year afterwards, on the 31st of May, 1901, this Supreme Council, if it lives until then, will have lived a century. It is even possible that I may then be living, at the age of ninety-two. The dead are insensible, it is said, to praise or censure; but surely an honest fame after death is not of little value, oblivion is not to be coveted, and the reputation of unworthiness or worthlessness is a sad misfortune. What will then be said of us?

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"None of us, I think, can afford to be indifferent to the opinion of those who are to come after us and take our places. And if we can, the honour may come to us and continue with us, or the shame fall upon us and cling to us, in our life-time. God has entrusted unto us also His talents, and by this our association has given us the opportunity to invest them profitably if we will. We may be sure that if the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite should not fulfil the promises of this its last quarter of a century of life, we shall not fail to be held to account for it in the judgments of men.

"For if any one thinks that it is a good and fit thing to accept high rank and a station of authority in Free-Masonry, in doing the duties whereof there is labour to be welcomed and responsibilities of no small magnitude to be accepted, and something to be done for the welfare of the Order, the influences whereof shall live after him; and after acceptance of the same to cease wholly to perform the duties, to avoid the labour, to shun the responsibilities, and to sow no seed from which a single plant shall spring after his death, he is bound in the bonds of a great and fatal error: and neither his conscience, nor his fellow men, nor the God who has given him the many opportunities that he has neglected, will hold him to be without sin or untouched by shame; for he hath not kept his vows.

"Dear Brethren, I meet you once more with a gladness not to be expressed by any words at my command, and greet you as old, dear and true friends. I shall have great profit of your companionship and conversation for the few days that we are to be together; and I shall be very lonely for a time, and of heavy heart, when you have gone your several ways, my good wishes going with you, to your several homes.

"But as one whom the fair Spring, coming after the snows of Winter, had made glad, consoles himself when he hears the faint sighings of her farewell, with the assurance that when the train of the less welcome seasons shall have passed, he will see again her returning smiles, so I will comfort and content myseft with the hope that when the mid-Autumn shall return a second time, I shall see you come again to greet me, bearing good news, like reapers bringing home their golden sheaves."

On the recommendation of the Sov.: Grand Commander, and after a report to that effect from the Committee on Foreign Relations, a resolution was adopted extending fraternal recognition to the Supreme Council of Spain, of which Bro.: A. R. Ortiz is Sov.: Grand Commander.

Referring to the death of our late Sov.: Grand Commander, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:—

"On the 13th of January, 1882, Illustrous Brother THOMAS DOUGLAS HAR-INGTON, 33d, M.: P.: Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council A.. and A.. S.. Rite earthly tabernacle, to Heavens.' The call whad sought to do his Brethren may reasonab received from our Hear good and faithful serv words of sympathy in Council of the Southern of Ill.'. Bro.'. Haring fore,—

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"Resolved,—That in the death of Ill.. Bro.. Thomas Douglas Harington the A.. and A.. S.. Rite has lost one whose life and character shed lustre upon its principles and teachings; whose zeal in its cause evinced his appreciation of the good which it was calculated to do among the family of mankind; and whose personal services in it entitled him to the admiration, respect and regard of his surviving Brethren.

"Resolved,—That the Supreme Council of the Southern Jurisdiction desires to express to the Supreme Council of the Dominion of Canada, a warm and cordial sympathy in its loss of so eminent an officer, so zealous and efficient a Brother, and so good a man.

"Resolved,—That a copy of these resolutions be sent by the Secretary-General to the Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council of the Dominion of Canada."

The sum of \$6,827.23 had been received towards the purchase fund of the House of the Temple. The finances of the Supreme Council appear to be in good condition, and its general affairs are managed with great prudence. The Honorary degree was conferred on several Brothers, and four active members were crowned, including Bro.'. WILLIAM M. IRELAND, who was elected Secretary. General for life. Ill.'. Bro.'. WEBBER, the Treasurer-General, who is so favoraby known by many of the Canadian Brethren, was unable to be present owing to severe domestic affliction. The Supreme Council closed its session on 19th October; on 31st of the same month Ill.'. Bro.'. WM. LETCHER MITCHELL, of Georgia, Grand Prior of the Supreme Council, who had acted as Lieut.'. Grand Commander, died, at the age of 77 years.

Since the publication of the Official Proceedings, Ill.: Bro.: PIKE announces by circular that the Supreme Council has purchased for \$17,000, a fine property at Washington as a House of the Temple. The property originally cost \$30,000. A library room will be crected on the vacant ground. When the library is in its place the buildings and their contents will be worth not less than \$60,000.

MEXICO.

None of the official transactions of the Supreme Council of Mexico, or of any of the Grand Masonic Bodies in that country, reach us. The Bulletin of the Sovereign Chapter Tenoch No. 1, of the City of Mexico, is, however, sent us fortnightly, and we receive it with some regularity, but it occasionally misses. To it we are chiefly indebted for all that we know concerning the condition of Freemasonry in that country, where Masonry is now making rapid strides. The Bulletin is a credit to the Chapter which publishes it; besides its original and selected reading, it publishes every two or three months a portrait of some prominent member of our Rite in Mexico. An important step has lately been taken by the Supreme Council; it has handed over to a Grand Lodge, formed in each State of the Federal Union, the control of the symbolic degrees. Its first step appears to have been the formation of a Grand Lodge for all Mexico; but this did not appear to give satisfaction, and subsequently the action was modified, so as to give each State its Grand Lodge. Whether or not the Supreme Council has absolutely removed all control over the Grand Lodges so formed the committee is unable to say. There are now eight State Grand Lodges, with a roll of about one hundred and eighty subordinates. Under the Supreme Council there are Chapters of Rose Croix numbered up to twenty, of which, probably twelve are in active operation; two Councils K. H.; a Sovereign Tribunal, 31°, and a Sovereign Grand Consistory, 32°. If harmoniously and faithfully worked, the system adopted of giving to the Symbolic Lodges their own government, and leaving to the Supreme Council the degrees 4 to 33, will prove beneficial to the the whole Masonic fabric. In his allocution to his Supreme Council last year, Ill. . Bro. . PIKE spoke very heartily of the prosperity of our Rite in Mexico "under the wise administration of the Supreme Council, of which the President of the Republic, and the ex-President, DIAZ, are members." The Committee on the State of the Order, referring to the above quoted remarks, said: "The activity displayed by our Brethren in Mexico is worthy of the highest commendation. The character of the membership is of so high an order that it ensures not only the prosperity of the Supreme Council, but the reign of order, toleration, and freedom of moral and intellectual action wherever its influence obtains. We congratulate our brother Inspectors in Mexico upon results already obtained, and bid them God-speed in their march for the benefit of humanity, assuring them that we only differ in language: at heart, in principle, in our teachings and in our Masonic lives we are but one Masonic people, and we tender them our fraternal embrace."

COLON.

Our relations with this Supreme Council were interrupted some time ago owing to the difficulties which led to a division of the Body, and through which our Ill.: Representative, Bro.: RAMSDEN, ceased to be a member of the Supreme Council. Following the advice of this committee, the Supreme Council allowed matters to take their course without further action; but it would probably be

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This letter, although dated 23d September, 1882, did not reach the late Grand Chancellor until 8th November, too late to be taken up in last year's session of the Supreme Council. The writer of it is the Grand Standard-Bearer of the Supreme Council. Since it was written the See of the Supreme Council has been removed to Havana, and by the last Official Bulletin it appears that a basis of union has been agreed upon between the Supreme Council and the "fraction" of a Supreme Body over which "presides Ill.. Bro.. CHARLES HASSELBRINK," concerning which, however, your committee has no information. The committee recommends that its chairman be empowered to write to Ill.. Bro.. MORIARTY for fuller information as to the exact state of the Craft in Cuba; that Bro.. RAMSDEN be written to informing him that there seems to be no other alternative than to relieve him of his powers; and further, that the Sovereign Grand Commander be authorized, if the circumstances appear to him to justify such action, to appoint a Representative at Colon in his place.

The committee feel it to be a duty to call attention to the list of "effective members" of the Supreme Council of Colon, published in the Official Bulletin. There are thirty-two of these members, and of this number no less than nineteen were crowned between 1st of January, 1880, and 25th October, 1882, and twelve of them were created in the latter year. Probably the circumstances of the Rite in Cuba have made this necessary, but it is a remakably large creation of members of the Supreme Degree. All of those crowned in 1882 resided in the city of Havana.

The Supreme Council has issued to all of the legitimate Masonic authorities in the world a protest against the action of the Grand authorities in Spain claiming to be Masonic, which are continually chartering in Cuba bodies of the Scottish Rite. The protest points out that the Lausanne Convention recognized the territorial jurisdiction of the Supreme Council of Colon, and asks "that should the regular Supreme Councils at last recognize any one of the aforesaid bodies now struggling for legitimacy in the Spanish Peninsula, such action be taken only under the express and emphatic condition that the Body so recognized shall totally relinquish all and every claim to the territory of Cuba and Porta Rico, the jurisdiction of these islands belonging exclusively to the Supreme Council of Colon, without which recognition will be withheld." This is not an unreasonable demand. The Supreme Councils which have so long recognized Colon ought not, in recognizing the Masonic authorities in Spain, do so to the prejudice of the older and legitimate Body.

The Supreme Council publishes an interesting Bulletin monthly, copies of which are sent us regularly by Bro.: Aurelio Almeida, Grand Secretary-General, Havana.

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As these pages go through the press your committee learns that the basis of union above spoken of has been accepted and that harmony is practically re-established, and an effort is to be made to place the Craft Lodges in the island now on the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite roll, under the jurisdiction of the "Grand Lodge of Colon and the Island of Cuba."

SAN DOMINGO.

Your committee has had no correspondence during the past year from the Supreme Council of San Domingo, but it is glad to learn from the Sov.: Grand Commander that the exchange of Representatives between this Council and our own have been completed. Ill.: Bro.: Lucas Gibbes, 33°, having been commissioned as our Representative near his Supreme Council, and our own Sov.: Grand Commander, Hutton, the Representative of that Council near the Supreme Council of Canada.

CENTRAL AMERICA.

Reference was made in the last report of this committee (page 46 Proceedings) to the Supreme Council of Central America, of which there was then little definite information at hand. On November 1, 1882, Bro.: G. NANNE, Lieut.: Grand Commander of that Supreme Council, then in New York, addressed a letter to Bro.: GOODALL, in which he says that "after many years of severe trial the Supreme Council for Central America is again organized, and in complete authority throughout its Masonic jurisdiction, and we fully anticipate that good results will soon be made manifest by the increase of members," and he adds, "we will endeavor to carry out in spirit and in truth the sublime principles of our institution, although we are surrounded by such difficulties as at times seem unsurmountable." These difficulties refer largely to the opposition of the dominant Church, the Bishop of Costa Rica having sternly condemned the society in letters read in all the churches, which gave rise among the people to the idea that Masons were addicted to practices the most absurd, and to practices most immoral. Bro.: CALVO, the first member of the Supreme Council, was a priest, and he was so vigorously pursued by the Bishop for his Masonic attachment that he decided to withdraw from Masonry; for the same reason, his

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Lieut. Grand Commander, Bro. SAENZ (who was not a priest, but was incessantly attacked). withdrew from the Fraternity. These withdrawals, and the death of one or two active Masons, threw the Supreme Council into confusion. Bro. NANNE's letter, referred to above, shows that the Supreme Council has been re-constituted. On April 9, 1882, Bro. MANUEL A. BONILLA was Sov. Grand Commander, and ALOYSIUS K. OSBORNE Ill. Secretary-General, and there were fifteen other members of the 33°. The Grand East is at San Jose de Costa Rica.

Reference was also made in last year's report to the fact that there was some difficulty between III. Bro. PIKE and this Supreme Council. Bro. NANNE says that these are in a fair way to be healed. Bro. PIKE is very strong on the point that while this Supreme Council claims to be for, and ought to be for, the whole of Central America, its membership is practically confined to Costa Rica. He is willing to recognize it for Costa Rica, but he thinks that it should admit members for the other Central Republics, and thus extend its authority.

NEW GRANADA.

We have heard nothing for some time from the Supreme Council whose See is at Carthagena, although there are occasional references to it in some of the Bulletins of other Supreme Councils. There is at Bogota, the capital of the the United States of Colombia—New Granada being one of these States—a Supreme Council, not apparently recognized by the Supreme Councils on this continent with which we are in amity. This Body on 26th August last elected officers, chosing for its chief officer Leon Echeverria, and for secretary Damaso Zapata. Of the standing of this Body we know nothing. Even its documents are issued without a seal. The only point that is worth noting is that it hails from the capital of the Republic, Carthagena being now only a State capital. Juan M. Grau is Sov.: Grand Commander of the Supreme Council which we recognize, but we have no information as to its strength or the number of its subordinates.

BRAZIL.

Your Committee last year intimated their belief that a union of the Masonic bodies in Brazil was then near at hand. Union is now an accomplished fact. A very just basis was agreed upon, and promulgated December 18, 1882, by Ill.: Bro.: Francisco Jose Cardoso Junior, representing the Lavradio Body, and Ill.: Bro.: Joaquim Saldanha Marinho, representing the Benedictinos, and on 18th January last the happy result was announced in the tollowing letter, addressed

To the Sov.. Grand Commander for the Supreme Council of Canada: ILL.; BROTHER:

Henceforward there is but one Grand Masonic Body for Brazil. To-day was the memorable day of the Union of the two Grand Bodies that had existed at Brazil, and of this desired union has emanated the Grand Body entitled "Grand Orient of Brazil," whose See is at the Valley of Lavradio.

The Grand Orient of Brazil of the Valley of Lavradio, and the Grand Orient united, of the Valley of Benedictinos make the above mentioned Grand Body.

The Freemasons of Brazil, sheltered under the shadow of the standard of the Union in united ranks, march to conquer progress.

United as they are, they will be powerful to vanquish ignorance and superstition.

We, the Grand Master, have the honor to communicate to you my Pow.: Bro.: a fact so important to the grandeur of our Sublime Order.

May Our Father that is in Heaven have you in His Holy keeping.

Fraternally yours,

FRANCISCO JOSE CARDOSO JUNIOR, 33°

Sov. . Gr. . M .. Gr .. Com ..

RIO DE JANEIRO, 18th January, 1883.

The committee recommends that an event so important to Freemasonry in South America be specially noted by the Supreme Council; that the Grand Chancellor, or the Chairman of the Foreign Correspondence Committee, be instructed to write a congratulatory letter to the Grand Secretary-General of Brazil on this auspicious occasion in Brazilian Freemasonry, and that Ill.. Bro.: MACEDO, our Representative at the late Benedictinos organization, be fraternally requested to continue to act for us at the United Body.

PERU.

A great many documents have been received from Peru, in which country, it would seem, despite the late disastrous war with Chili, there is much Masonic activity. The papers received refer largely to circumstances arising out of the formation of a Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons in that country. At first it would appear that the Supreme Council, or at least some active and influential members of the Supreme Council, favored the establishment of the Grand Lodge. But on the death of the late Sov.: Grand Commander, and on the choice of a new Commander, the feeling in that direction underwent some change. In one of the papers lately issued by the Supreme Council it is indeed said, with much correctness, that the Supreme Council could not permit the formation of a Grand Lodge of the Scottish Rite, and that as it had nothing to do with the York Rite, it could not authorize the formation of a Grand Lodge in that Rite. On the other hand, it would be clearly in the interests of Free masonry in Peru if the Supreme Council, by its influence and its authority, would give moral support to the desire of so many Brethren in that country to have the Lodges governed by one authority. There are about twenty-five Lodges in Pen in active operation, fourteen of which are in Lima, which is entirely too many for one city like that. No doubt some of these owe their origin to the difference which prevail. Of these Lodges, fifteen are now under the jurisdiction of the

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Grand Lodge of Peru, five under the Supreme Council, four under the Grand Lodge of Scotland, and one under that of Hamburg. Three of the Scottish Lodges are in Callao. Four Lodges formerly under the Grand Lodge of Scotland united with the new Grand Lodge. The attitude of the Supreme Council of Peru appears to be this: Brethren who go into the York Rite—as it is called join a Rite of three degrees only, and they thereby lose all their standing in Chapters, Councils, Consistories in the Scottish Rite, even though they may have attained the highest degree. But this attitude ought to be receded from as incorrect, in fact, and as not in accordance with the practice which prevails with so much success in Canada, the United States, England, Scotland, and many other countries, where Masons yield loyal obedience to their Grand Lodges of the first three degrees, and are equally loyal to the Supreme Council exercising authority over the degrees from the fourth to the thirty-third. It is not unlikely that the Peruvian difficulties will settle themselves by the exercise of the Masonic virtues, prudence, temperance and justice. The situation, though surrounded with some difficulties, is by no means discouraging. appears to have suffered in the estimation of the Craft throughout the Republic The Supreme Council by the recognition of a so-called Grand Orient, of which a Mr. ARTHUR WHOLLEY is at the head, this person having been expelled from the Fraternity some years

CHILI.

In his report to his Supreme Council last year, Ill.: Bro.: A. G. GOODALL says that "The Supreme Council for Chili, which was organized in 1862, with its Grand East at Valparaiso, continues in a dormant condition; that no subordinate bodies have been organized; and, so far as he can ascertain, no work has been done," and he asks if his Supreme Council "is justified in further recognizing and retaining on our Tableau the name of a Grand Body that has done nothing to advance the interests of the Rite, but appears to be practically dead." The Bulletin of the Supreme Council of Belgium contains extracts from Bro.: HUBERT'S paper, the "Chain of Union," relative to Chilian Freemasonry. They announce that Bro.: Jose Vergara, Minister of the Interior, is about to be chosen Grand Master of the Grand Orient, and the belief is expressed that "under the direction of this eminent Brother the Chilian Lodges will recover all their activity." It is intimated that they are dominated by the clerical party, and that the Lodges which really work are the English, French and German Lodges of the Republic. The "Star of the l'acific," under the direction of the Grand Orient, is spoken of as one of the most prosperous Lodges, but it has only thirty-five members. Friendly relations exist between the Chilian and German Lodges, and they have united in a Societe de Samtiago," which is said to be of uch service. There is nothing to show that the degrees of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite are cultivated.

URUGUAY.

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CHARLES DE CASTRO, Minister of the Supreme Tribunal of Justice, is Sov., Grand Commander, and Ill.: Bro.: Joseph De La Hauty is Grand Secretary. General. The Grand East is at Monte Video. A revised constitution was adopted a year or two ago, which has been approved of by the public authorities, and this gives the institution civil standing under the law of the Republic. In this

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"Belief in one God, Supreme Being and Grand Architect of the Universe. Its base: Civil and religious liberty. Its object: To know, profess and propogate truth in all its manifestations: the study of universal morality and the practice of all virtues; the exercise of charity; the educating and teaching the ignorant; assisting without humiliation the rich, the poor, the indigent, forsaken orphans and destitute widows, so that they may remain worthy of respect. Its ends: Love of humanity. Its moral aim: Material progress; war against evil and all human imperfections. Its precepts: Honesty, toleration, industry, mutual respect and fraternal toleration. Its motto: Liberty, fraternity and equality."

constitution the principles of Freemasonry are declared to be:

This Supreme Council publishes fortnightly an Official Bulletin, copies of which are regularly sent to the Supreme Council of Canada. In 1858 the Supreme Council organized a school for orphans and poor children, which annually instructs about three hundred and fifty pupils, between the ages of six years and sixteen, who would otherwise be deprived of education. The expense of the institution is met by a tax upon all the Lodges, and it seems to be willingly borne. Many of the leading men in the Republic belong to the Fraternity in Uruguay. There are about twenty Lodges and nine hundred members in a population of about four hundred thousand souls. The present officers of the Supreme Council were elected until 1887.

THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC.

We continue to receive the Official Bulletin of the Supreme Council and Grand Orient of this Republic. "It is edited by Bro.". OTTO E. RECKE, 33, Grand Secretary of the Order, and is devoted to the publication of the official announcements of the Supreme authority, the publication of intelligence, and the defence of the moral and material interests of the Order. There seems to be harmony and a good understanding prevailing throughout the Republic, and the Supreme Body appears to have the undivided allegiance of the Craft. Indeed, there seems to be great necessity for this, for the institution is very vigorously attacked by the Roman Catholic Church. One journal, The Voice of the Church, has had several bitter articles, and Bro.". RECKE makes a call on all the Craft to support a periodical which will sustain and propagate the liberal ideas which are the basis of our institution. For that reason he asks them to sustain El Libra Pensador. The official list of the officers "chosen for the government of the Order during the space of the three years between 1882 and 1885" are:

Grand Master—Gen. Domingo F. Sarmiento, 33°, ex-President of the Republic Deputy Grand Master—Dr. Leander N. Alem, 18°. Director of Foreign Relations—Dr. Valentine Fernondez Blanco, 30°.

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Director of Instr. . and Benef. . . - ROSARIO GRANDE, 18°.

Grand Secretary-General-DR. OTTO E. RECKE, 33°.

It will be seen that this governing body is not a Supreme Council. The Supreme Council is a part of the Grand Orient. Bro.: GOODALL says: "The election of Ill.: Bro.: DOMINGO F. SARMIENTO, ex-President of that Republic, will no doubt be of great advantage to the Fraternity in that jurisdiction, he being an experienced and progressive statesman, having a practical knowledge of the system and working of the institution, which he obtained during his long residence in this country and Europe as Minister Plenipotentiary, and we hope that during his administration he will be able to bind in closer union the Brotherhood that has been so much divided for years past in that Orient." There are about sixty Lodges and one Chapter of Rose Croix and a Council of K.: H.: The superior degrees appear to be given in the bosom of the Supreme Council.

IN GENERAL.

Everywhere, and despite some confusion in the work in some places, the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite is making substantial progress, and has under its banners to-day the best and ablest craftsmen, the most learned, active and devoted workmen on the Temple. Its past is illustrious, its present active, and for its future a glorious career may be justly anticipated in the great work of human regeneration.

OBITUARY.

Death has been busy in our ranks in the past two years, some of the most active members have fallen, men known throughout the civilized world for their labors in the cause of mankind, and for their efforts for the good of humanity. At the session of the Belgium Supreme Council, 27th October, 1882, the death was reported of Ill. . Bro. . PIERRE CONSTANT VANDER ELST, 33°, the oldest member of the Supreme Council, and the Deputy for the Province of Hainaut: a devoted Mason, a man of public spirit, a student of history, modest as he was learned; he published many historical brochures, but always guarded his identity with great care. On 7th November, 1882, the Supreme Council for Switzerland lost its Sov.: Grand Commander, Bro.: ANTOINE AMBERNEY. On 17th June last, Bro.: ALEXANDER DE MILBITZ, Sov.: Grand Commander of the Supreme Council of Italy, was called to his rest. In August last, Bro.: J. WHYTE MELVILLE, for so many years Sov.: Grand Commander of the Supreme Council of Scotland, ended his Masonic work. On 30th October, 1882, only a few days after the Southern Supreme Council closed its labors, and apparently while on his way home, Bro. . WILLIAM L. MITCHELL, Grand Prior of that Supreme Council, was stricken down.

Besides these, Bro.: St. Jean, 33°, President of the Council of the Grand Orient of France, Bro.: Thevenot, 33°, the Secretary of that Body, and Bro.: A. Louis Grimaux, his successor, all passed away within a few months of each other. At the last meeting of the Supreme Council of Canada, and at this meeting, is reported the death of the Sov.: Grand Commanders of Peru, Canada, Italy, Switzerland, Scotland, and the head of the Grand Orient of France. Should these removals remind us merely of the instability of human life? Not that alone; but the more solemn lesson is that we should perform our allotted task while it is yet day—"to press onward up the slopes of the mountain lest Death overtake and snite us ere we reach the summit."

To all of our sister Supreme Councils who lament their departed Brothers, we tender our deepest sympathy. As they have mourned with us, so do we extend to them consolation in their affliction.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN V. ELLIS, B. LESTER PETERS, DAVID R. MUNRO.

On motion of Ill.: Bro.: J. W. Murton, seconded by Ill.: Bro.: I. H. STEARNS, the above interesting report was received, and the recommendations contained therein were adopted.

The Sov.: Gr.: Commander then announced his appointment as the Grand Representative of the Sup.: Council of St. Domingo, near this Supreme Council, and presented his credentials and was duly welcomed as such.

It was then requested that the Grand Chancellor should at once reopen correspondence with the various Supreme Councils who have not as yet fully completed exchange of representatives, with a view to having the list complete by the next annual session.

Ill. .. Bro. .. HUGH MURRAY gave the following notice:

That an additional article be added to the statutes headed "Notices of Motion," as follows: "Notices of motion may be given to the Secretary-General three months prior to the annual session of the Supreme Council, and such notice having been inserted in the summonses for such annual session, shall be considered as valid as if the same had been given at the last annual session."

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Ill.: Bro.: J. V. Ellis then nominated Ill.: Bro.: S.: P. R.: S.: 32°, of St. John, New Brunswick, for the degree of Honorary Inspector-General, 33°.

The following resolution was then adopted:

That, in the Province of Manitoba, in case of members of the 29° applying to receive the 30°, 31° or 32°, the Sov. Grand Commander be empowered, pending the installation of two other members of the 33°, to issue authority to the active member of the Supreme Council for that Province, Bro. C. N. Bell, empowering him to confer these degrees and to report his proceedings.

On motion of Ill.. Bro.. J. V. Ellis, seconded by Ill.. Bro.. I. H. Stearns, the Treasurer General was instructed to pay the sum of \$10 each to Ill.. Brothers Joseph Mason and J. W. Guy for their attendance on this Supreme Council at this session.

The Supreme Council was then called from labor at 5 p. m.

THURSDAY, October 25, 1883.

The Supreme Council was called to labor at 6.30 o'clock p. m.

The re-union of the bodies of this Rite of the city of Hamilton having been held in honor of this Supreme Council since it was called from labor on the 23d inst., and the Sov.: Grand Commander and other members having been present at the exemplification of the degrees from the 4° to the 30° inclusive, the Sov.: Grand Commander expressed the very great pleasure and satisfaction it had afforded himself and the members of the Supreme Council to witness the excellent work performed by the bodies of Hamilton, whereupon the following resolution was carried:

Resolved,—That the Supreme Council express the satisfaction with which it has witnessed the exemplification of the work of the Rite in the Murton Lodge of Perfection, Hamilton Sovereign Chapter of Rose Croix, and Moore Consistory;

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Further Resolved,—That the thanks of the Supreme Council be conveyed to the bodies in Hamilton for the courteous care bestowed upon, and the generous hospitalities extended to, the members of the Supreme Council during their adjourned session now about to close.

The committee appointed to suggest alterations to the statutes, defining the status and duties of past active, and honorary members, and providing for the holding of executive sessions, submitted the following report:

The Committee to whom was referred the duty of suggesting alterations to to the statutes, defining the powers of past active, and honorary thirty:thirds, beg to recommend the following be an addition to the statutes, viz.:

PAST ACTIVE MEMBERS.—Active members of the Supreme Council who shall cease to be active members by resignation or by the operation of Article 10 of the Constitution, shall be called past active members. They shall be entitled to sit in the Supreme Council and to speak on all questions, but shall have no vote.

HONORARY INSPECTORS-GENERAL shall be entitled to sit in the Supreme Council at all times, except during executive session, election and crowning of active members, and the election of officers. They shall be qualified to be members of committees other than those to which are referred matters affecting active members. They shall be entitled to speak on all questions, but shall have no vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.—An Executive Session may be "called on" by the Sov.: Grand Commander at any time while the Supreme Council is sitting, the active and past active members only being present. All balloting shall be done in this session, and matters of any nature whatsoever in relation to active, past active or honorary members may be brought up.

H. A. MACKAY, 33°. J. V. ELLIS, 33°. I. H. STEARNS, 33°.

On motion the report was received, and Ill.. Bro. J. V. Ellis gave the following notice that at the next session he would move that an addition be made to the statutes defining the past active, and honorary Inspectors-General,

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The Secretary-General read a telegram from Ill.: Bro.: J. K. Kerr, 33°, explaining the cause of his absence, which was deemed satisfactory; also a letter from Ill.: Bro.: J. H. Bell, 32°, of Winnipeg, explaining the cause of his non-attendance.

The newly created S.: G.: I.: G.: C. N. Bell, then addressed the Supreme Council.

The labors of the Supreme Council being ended, the Chain of Union was formed and the Council was closed at 7 o'clock.



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PAST GRAND MASTER OF THE GRAND LODGE OF CANADA,
GRAND CHANCELLOR OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL OF S.: G.: I.: G.:
33°, DOMINION OF CANADA.

Friend and Brother, farewell!
So one by one the dear old faces fade,
Hands wave their farewell while beckoning us
Across the river all must pass alone.



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For fifty years he labored in the cause of Masonry. May he rest and be in holy peace.



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[APPENDIX A.]

Letter from the Supreme Council, 33°, of Switzerland, announcing the death of its Sov.: Grand Commander.

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SUP.: COUNCIL, XXXIII AND LAST DEGREE, OF SWITZERLAND.

ORIENT OF LAUSANNE, December, 1882.

DEAR AND ILL. . BROTHER,

We announce to you with sorrow that the Sov.: Grand Commander of the Supreme Council of Switzerland, Ill.: Bro.: Antoine Amberney, passed to the True Life on 7th November last, in the 68th year of his age.

This bereavement deprives us of an Illustrious Brother for whom we could still hope for many years of life, and severely affects the Supreme Council for Switzerland, which prays you to join it in its sorrow.

Receive, Supreme Council and Illustrious Brothers, the assurance of our sincere devotion and of our warm Masonic affection.

In the name and by order of the Supreme Council,

J. DELACRETAZ, 33°, Grand Secretary-General.

L. RUCHONNET, 33°,

Lt.: Grand Commander.

[APPENDIX B.]

Letter from the Supreme Council, 33°, of Scotland, announcing the death of its Sov.: Grand Commander.

SUPREME COUNCIL FOR SCOTLAND.

EDINBURGH, September, 1883.

To Ill.: Bro.: John Walter Murton, 33°, Secretary-General H.: E.: Supreme Council for Canada.

It is with deep regret and sorrow that the Supreme Council of the thirty-third and last degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for Scotland have to announce to the sister Supreme Councils and members of the Order the decease of their Most Illustrious Brother, JOHN WHYTE MELVILLE, of Bennochy and Strathkinnes, 33°, M.: P.: Sov.: Grand Commander of the Order in this jurisdiction,

The death of our Most Illustrious Brother is a bereavement that affects not only this Supreme Council as a body, but every individual member; for in him, during upwards of half a century, to the respect and friendship of each were united the welfare and interest of all.

His labors, truly labors of love, were divided during a long and active life to the maintenance of those great principles, which, it is not too much to say, are the only ones in which the highest moral truths are found acceptable to all ranks, races and religions, and applicable to all political institutions that can lay any claim to stability, good government or popular enlightenment.

His sympathetic nature, his genial address, his tender heart, prompted and confirmed those benevolent actions and provisions which have now become practically recognized as the keystone of our mighty arch, and his firm and dignified demeanor controlled and guided deliberations which had for their single object the well-being of our Order.

To such an one there can be no dying.

His passing away, crowned with years, leaves us the chastened memory of his beloved presence, and his life will be to those who come after us, an ineffaceable monument of honorable and admirable exertion. He may exclaim with the poet,

"Non omnis moriar,"

and it will be a pious duty bequeathed to this Council to hand his work down unimpaired to the latest of our successors.

The members of the Ancient and Accepted Rite within this jurisdiction will appear in mourning within their Chapters for a period of sixty days from the receipt of this circular.

ROSSLYN, 33°, Lieut.: Gr.: Commander.

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[APPENDIX C.]

Letter from the Supreme Council, 33°, of Italy, announcing the death of its Sov.: Grand Commander.

(Translation.)

Potent Sovereign Grand Master, I .: . I. . C .: . C .: F .: . F .:

GR.: ORIENT OF TURIN, June 20th, 1883, E.: V.:

Penetrated with sorrow, we hereby notify you of the death of our Sov. Gr.: Master, COUNT ALESSANDRO ISENSCMID, of Milbitz, 33°, which took place at 1.30 a.m., of the 17th inst. In forwarding this brief necrological summary.

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N. B.—Hereby is GIOVANNI CECCONI, Turin.

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DOCTOR TIMOTEO RIBOLI, 33°, P.: S.: Gr.: Master.

N. B.—Hereby is added the biography of deceased, from the pen of F.: 33°, GIOVANNI CECCONI, and which appears to-day, June 20th, in the Gazette of Turin.

The Past Sovereign Master, ALESSANDRO ISENSCMID, of Milbitz, after a long and painful malady, slept placidly the peace of the Just, on the night of the 16-17 June, at the age of 83 years, full of merit and of eminent services rendered to the cause of humanity.

Born of an illustrious family of the Polish nobility, and having obtained the highest grades in the army, he hesitated not to defend, at every sacrifice, his country bleeding under tyranny. Vanquished—an exile and wanderer—but not subdued, he carried his glorious sword into other fields, where he encountered the enemy, under another guise, which he had fought at home. He proceeded to Rome in 1849, and co-operated with Garibaldi, in the defence of the Eternal City, and was the last to abandon the ramparts of the Porta del Populo. The hopes of Italy having failed in Rome, he attempted to raise a corps of Italian and Polish volunteers to aid the Hungarian revolution. This also being unsuccessful, he betook himself to the islands of the Mediterranean and of the Archipelago; aiding the unfortunate with good advice, and often with money, which he was enabled honestly to acquire—thanks to the amazing fertility and amplitude of his genius.

In 1860 we find him again with Garibaldi at the rescue of the Southern Provinces of Italy, and in the hard contested action of Santa Maria di Capua, the division of Milbitz, by its tenacious resistance, decided the victory.

Modest and virtuous, as full of energy and courage—as soon as the work to which he had devoted his gallant arm was completed—he retired into private life; and asking nothing for self, his name was not included in the fat emoluments with which others, in the name of Italy, far less deserving than he, were rewarded.

The love and gratitude of good men accompanied him in his retirement, in which he consecrated the latter years of his life to the restoration of our Order in Italy; and the magic of his name and the veneration which surrounded him was such, that notwithstanding the perversity of the dissolving political elements, which strove to represent the children of the widow as an armed faction or a business speculation, he succeeded in maintaining in Italy a nucleus of Masonry, faithful to the principles and traditions of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, strengthened by the authorized acknowledgment of the Great Body of Masons throughout the globe.

He is gone—and we, his survivors, lamenting the painful loss, can do nothing better to honor his memory, than to remain firm at the post which we have held along with him, and to persevere in the line of conduct which he has traced.

In the name of the Supreme Council,

DOCTOR TIMOTEO RIBOLI, 33°,

P. . S .. Gr. . Master.

LA SALLE, 33°,

General Grand Chancellor,

[APPENDIX D.]

Extract from a circular letter of Ill. Bro. ALBERT PIKE, Grand Commander Supreme Council, S. J., U. S. A., in memoriam of Ill. Bro. Count de Milbitz.

The Brother DE MILBITZ, of the noblest families in Poland, was born in the year 1800, possessor of many villages. He received his academic degrees in Prussia and Poland; was a Lieutenant in 1819, and in 1830 one of the most esteemed Captains of the Staff-Major of the Grand Duke Constantine, Viceroy of Lithuania; but when his country raised the flag of liberty, he did not hesitate an instant. At his own expense he paid and maintained a squadron of cavalry and a battalion of cacciatori; and at the head of a regiment of cavalry, in 1831, he had his post of honor in the battle of Ostrolenska and at Warsaw. Two decorations were bestowed on the field during that brief and glorious war.

When the cause of his country was strangled in blood, he accepted, for the rest of his days, a life of exile. His vast possessions were confiscated, and never restored to him: and with a few fragments of his wealth, and with the fruit of honest labour, he thenceforward provided for his own needs, and gave aid to many proscribed companions. In Paris he studied Military Science and Engineering; and under Louis Phillippe he commanded as Colonel the Poles who entered the French service, to avenge the wrongs of their country on its oppressors. In 1848, when Italy raised the cry of independence, he offered her his sword, commanded the Polish Legion in Florence, from Guerrazzi and D'Apice; was General in Rome in 1849, and bore a splendid and indeed principal part at Velletri, and won great fame in the defence of that city against the French. When it had fallen, he organized in Greece troops of Hungarians and Poles for the war in Hungary; but when, with the government of Kossuth, the War of Independence ended, he returned anew to work.

He took service at Malta for the war in the East against the old enemy, Russia; and in 1859, going to Sicily with Medici, was appointed by Garibaldi Inspector-General of the whole army; but commanded also a brigade at Milazzo and the 16th Division at Volturno. In the regular army of Italy he, conqueror at Santa Maria de Capua, was only a General of Brigade; but he served as such with his accustomed devotion and incontestable capacity. In 1866 he was

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King Victor Emmanuel and Garibaldi held him in great esteem, and the latter, just before his death, sent a telegram inquiring as to the condition of his health, and the old hero, his face lighting up and his eyes luminous, said, "Let His Majesty know that if I shall continue to live, I will, as in the past, give my blood, without stint, for the House of Savoy."

King Humbert, when in his youth, in 1864, he was Prince of Piedmont, was the pupil of the aged DE MILBITZ.

Citizen of Italy by adoption, he had won that title with his blood in the war for Italian independence; and was honored also by citizenship in the municipalities of Rome, of Palermo and of Santi Maria di Capua, having registered his name in history, by the side of that of Garibaldi, at Volturno, on the 1st of October, 1860; and his Division, at the battle of Santi Maria di Capua, by its tenacious resistance, decided the fortune of the day.

The Freemasonry of Torino, Genova and Milano was largely represented at his funeral, a notable feature in that magnificent demonstration.

During all his life he was well deserving of honor, being modest and virtuous, as well as brave and energetic, always the soldier of liberty, not ambitious, just, loyal, frank, straightforward, independent, generous and magnanimous, and a zealous and ardent devotee of Freemasonry.

ALBERT PIKE, 33°, Grand Commander.

[APPENDIX E.]

Portion of a circular letter of Ill.. Bro.. ALBERT PIKE, Sov.: Gr.: Commander Sup.: Council S.: J.:, U. S. A., on the death of the Grand Prior of that Council, Ill.: Bro.: WILLIAM LETCHER MITCHELL.

At the last Session of our Supreme Council, notwithstanding his age and infirmity, which might well have been pleaded by him in excuse for declining to undertake a long journey, there came to meet with us from Georgia our dearly beloved and venerable Brother, the oldest man among us all, and Grand Prior of our Supreme Council, WILLIAM LETCHER MITCHELL, frail and feeble, but zealous and devoted as ever.

On the 20th of October we parted with him, promising to visit him in his home in Athens in a little while, and thinking that we might venture to hope that

we should meet him once more in Supreme Council, so much better in health he seemed to be than when we met and parted two years before.

Having come hither on the way to Georgia, and looking forward with pleasure to seeing him, as we thought we surely should, in little more than a week, at his modest and hospitable home, there has suddenly come to us this morning the saddening information that he died on yesterday. It is not in the power of death to strike many as cruel blows at your Grand Commander; for no man in all the world, not of his own blood, was so loved by him as the good, true, honest, loyal, kindly Christian gentlemen who has so unexpectedly died.

Our Brother MITCHELL was born in Henry County, Virginia, on the 25th day of December, in the year 1805; and his long life had been a useful, honorable and godly one. A devout piety had ruled in all the actions of his life. Professor of Jurisprudence for many years in the University of Georgia, he continued to teach his classes the great principles of that Science even in the last days of life; for he never knew what it was to be reluctant or neglect to perform a duty.

Learned in the Law's best learning, he was also otherwise a scholar; and none of us who heard his annunciation to the Supreme Council of the death of his more aged friend and brother, WILLIAM TRACY GOULD, will ever forget the wonderfully chaste and polished diction, the beautiful thoughts and the simple pathos of that perfect eulogium; which, we fear, he was not permitted to write out, as he promised to do, and it is therefore lost, except to those who have it in their memory.

No man was ever more thoroughly inspired by the spirit of Christian chaity than this dear and good Brother. He never could intentionally have wronged any one, in act, word or thought. He was incapable of injustice or ungenerousness, in action or opinion. He could never have entertained ill-will, or cherished grudges, or desired revenge; nor could he ever have hesitated to prefer another's interest to his own.

As a Mason he loved the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite with all his heart, and firmly believed it destined to be one of the great Benefactors of Humanity. Age and infirmity prevented active labor, but his zeal and devotedness knew no bounds, and his pure and blameless character were of inestimable value to it.

Vixit! He has lived. This life, for him, was a part of eternity, and its worth is not to be counted merely by its years. The duties of life were always for him more than life, and he did not merely grow old and die, leaving nothing to live after him.

O wise and venerable man! thou hast died at peace with all men, crowned, with the halo of righteousness, not fearing to meet thy Father who is in Heaven. With eyes suffused with tears, but knowing that His perpetual light will shine upon thee, we bid thee farewell!

Circular frou U. S. A., regard Rite in the U. S.

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[APPENDIX F.]

Circular from the Supreme Council, 33°, S.: J.:, U. S. A., regarding spurious Bodies of the A.: & A.: S.: Rite in the U. S.

FROM THE GRAND ORIENT OF CHARLESTON.

IN DEO FIDUCIA NOSTRA.

SOUTH CAROLINA, November 1st, 1883, V.: E.:

The Supreme Council (Ancestral Council of the World) of the Inspectors-General, Grand Commanders of the House of the Temple of Solomon, of the 33rd Degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Free Masonry, for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States:

Unto the Supreme Councils of the same Degree of its correspondence, and unto the Bodies and Free-Masons of its obedience:

We do hereby make known to you, that the spurious Body in the City of New York, of which WILLIAM H. PECKHAM is the Chief, and which, falsely claiming to be identically, by continuation, revival and reorganization, the spurious association established in 1807, in New York, by Joseph Cerneau, a Knight Kadosh of the Rite of Perfection, made such by MATHIEU DUPOTET, in the Island of Cuba, in July, 1806, and as such bedecking itself with the title of Supreme Council of the 33rd Degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the United States of America, has lately established in the City of Washington what it calls Consistory No. 7, of Princes of the Royal Secret of the 32nd Degree, having sold to its members its counterfeit Degrees for the sum of fifteen dollars each; in which disreputable work one FREDERICK WIDDOWS has given active aid and assistance, who, having regularly received the Degrees of the said Rite from 4 to 32 in regular Bodies of the Obedience of the Supreme Council for the Northern Jurisdiction of the United States, and having been a member of such Bodies, was until lately a member of a Consistory of our Obedience in the City of Washington, and yet has received from said spurious Body or from the said Peckham what is pretended by them to be the 33rd Degree.

We do also make known to you, that the officers of this base-born Consistory are Harrison Dingman, wearing the title of 33rd, Grand Commander; Major W. Bayliss, also fancying himself a 33rd, Lieutenant Grand Commander; with Emmett C. Elmore, Isaac N. Jackson, Harvey H. Hazard, Winfield S. Jenks, T. John Newton, William T. Turpin, Henry A. Johnston, E. W. Day, Benjamin F. Larcombe and Martin V. Casey, all residents of the City of Washington.

We do, therefore, request you, the Supreme Councils of our correspondence, to close all your temples against these persons and their associates, and to direct

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And we do order and direct you, the Bodies and Brethren of our Obedience, to deny the said persons entrance into your Temples, and to have no manner of Masonic intercourse with them that you can avoid.

May our Father, Who is in Heaven, have you always in His holy keeping!

Given under the hand of the Grand Commander, and countersigned by the Secretary-General, and the Petty Seal of the Supreme Council hereunto affixed.

ALBERT PIKE, 33°,

Grand Commander.

WM. M. IRELAND, 33°, Secretary-General.

[APPENDIX G.]

Letter from the Supreme Council of Colon.

HABANA, 23d de September, de 1882.

Sr. John Walter Murton, Hamilton.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER.

By the last mail I sent you a circular of our Supreme Council of Colon, at Santiago de Cuba, for your Supreme Council of Canada, and the Official Bulletin, where can be seen Masonic matters.

As I suppose your Masonic Craft have not heard from your Representative, Bro.: F. W. RAMSDEN, who has been suspended from his Masonic powers, and, of course separated from our Craft, as was notified by official circular, which I am atraid has not reached you, for ever since we are deprived of your correspondence, so that I beg you to inform your Council, should they wish any information about it.

Our Representative, Bro.: A. P. MORIARTY, 33°, Grand Secretary of the Northern Supreme Council, U. S. A., is in constant correspondence with our Brother, Aurilio Almeida, Grand Secretary of our Grand Lodge, and he is fully informed of matters of our Craft Masonry.

I hope to have an early answer, and meanwhile I remain,

Yours fraternally,

MANUEL N. OCEJO, 33°,

Active Member of Sup. . . Con. . of Colon (Cuba) at Santiago de Cuba.

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