

Address of the Grand Master

M. W. Robert Marshall

St. John, N. B.

Address of the Grand Secretary

R. W. Williams of St. John

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SPECIAL NOTICE

The Fourteenth Annual Communication of Grand Lodge will be held in the Masonic Temple City of St. John, on Tuesday the 26th day of April, A. D. 1886, at 3 o'clock, in the afternoon.

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OF
NEW BRUNSWICK,
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APRIL 27th, A. L., 5880.

The thirteenth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of New Brunswick was held at the Masonic Temple, in the city of Saint John, commencing Tuesday the 27th day of April, A. L. 5880, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Present:

M. W. ROBERT MARSHALL, Grand Master.
R. W. BENJ. R. STEVENSON, Deputy Grand Master.
R. W. REV. FRANCIS PARTRIDGE, Senior Grand Warden.
R. W. CHARLES N. SCOTT, Junior Grand Warden.
V. W. REV. DONALD MACRAE, . . . Grand Chaplain.
V. W. JAMES McNICHOL, JR., . . . Grand Treasurer.
V. W. WILLIAM F. BUNTING, . . . Grand Secretary.
W. GEO. E. FAIRWEATHER, . . . Senior Grand Deacon.
W. ROBERT J. McADOO, Junior Grand Deacon.
W. FREEMAN W. WISDOM, . . . Grand Dir. Ceremonies.
W. GEORGE F. STICKNEY, as . . Asst. G. Dir. Ceremonies.

W. REV. D. I. WETMORE, as...Grand Sword Bearer.
 W. JOSEPH C. HATHEWAY, as...Grand Standard Bearer.
 W. GEORGE F. DEVINE, as...Grand Organist.
 W. CHARLES U. HANFORD,...Grand Pursuivant.
 W. CHARLES H. MASTERS,...Grand Steward.
 W. JAMES SAUNDERS,..."
 W. CHARLES J. HENDERSON,..."
 W. HENRY A. JOHNSON,..."
 W. J. R. S. DEVEREUX, as..."
 W. ARCHIBALD MCLEAN, as..."
 Bro. DINGEE SCRIBNER,...Grand Tyler.

Grand Lodge was opened in *ample* form.

Prayer by the V. W. the Grand Chaplain.

The Grand Secretary read the "regulations for the government of the grand lodge during the time of business."

It was moved by W. Bro. Charles U. Hanford, G. Purst., and

Ordered, that the grand secretary dispense with reading the records of the last annual communication, and that they be taken as read and be confirmed.

The Grand Secretary reported the appointment, by the board of general purposes, of W. Bros. William R. Russell, William J. Logan and Hiram G. Betts a Committee on Credentials.

The M. W. the Grand Master directed the Grand Pursuivant to admit master masons in good standing.

The committee on credentials reported from time to time the following representatives in attendance and entitled to seats in grand lodge, viz.:

Albion Lodge No. 1,.....B. C. Barclay Boyd, S. W.
 Robert T. Clinch, P. M.
 B. Lester Peters, P. M.
 Thomas M. Reed, P. M.
 Edwin J. Everett, P. M.
 T. Nisbet Robertson, P. M.
 Geo. E. Fairweather, P. M.
 Freeman W. Wisdom, P. M.
 James Adam, P. M.
 Thomas Walker, P. M.

St. John's Lodge, No. 2,.....Wm. H. B. Sadleir, W. M.
 Rev. Donald Macrae, S. W.
 Arthur Everitt, J. W.
 William F. Bunting, P. M.
 John D. Short, P. M.
 Jos. C. Hatheway, P. M.
 Henry G. Hunt, P. M.
 James G. Forbes, P. M.

Hibernia Lodge, No. 3,.....David S. Stewart, W. M.
 Henry M. Hamilton, S. W.
 James McNichol, Sr., P. M.
 Mark N. Powers, P. M.
 John Mullin, P. M.
 William J. Logan, P. M.
 James Saunders, P. M.
 Chas. J. Henderson, P. M.

Sussex Lodge, No. 4,.....Alexander McKay, J. W.

St. Mark's Lodge, No. 5,.....Benj. R. Stevenson, P. M.
 George F. Stickney, P. M.

Hiram Lodge, No. 6,.....George Todd, P. M.
 Alfred F. Street, P. M.

Sussex Lodge, No. 7,.....Henry Graham, W. M.

- Carleton Union Lodge, No. 8,*... Isaac O. Beatteay, W. M.
 Andrew Davis, S. W.
 Richard W. Weddall, J. W.
 Edwin J. Wetmore, P. M.
 John V. Ellis, P. M.
 J. Henry Leonard, P. M.
 John C. Leonard, P. M.
- Midian Lodge, No. 9,*..... Arthur C. Fairweather, J. W.
 David Wetmore, P. M.
 G. Hudson Flewelling, P. M.
 Rev. D. I. Wetmore, P. M.
 Rev. Francis Partridge, P. M.
- Union Lodge of Portland, No. 10,* John A. Watson, W. M.
 William B. Wallace, S. W.
 John W. Hatfield, J. W.
 Robert Marshall, P. M.
 Charles U. Hanford, P. M.
 Henry Duffell, P. M.
 Archibald McLean, P. M.
- Woodstock Lodge, No. 11,*..... Williamson Fisher, J. W.
 Charles N. Scott, P. M.
- Miramichi Lodge, No. 18,*..... Thos. F. Gillespie, P. M.
- Leinster Lodge, No. 19,*..... W. Watson Allen, W. M.
 Josiah Fowler, S. W.
 Edward Willis, P. M.
 Henry J. Thorne, P. M.
 Charles H. Masters, P. M.
- Salisbury Lodge, No. 20,*..... Jas. R. S. Devereux, W. M.
- New Brunswick Lodge, No. 22,* Robert J. Melvin, W. M.
 Alex. R. Campbell, S. W.
 James McNichol, Jr., P. M.
 William R. Russell, P. M.
 Robert J. McAdoo, P. M.

Restigouche Lodge, No. 25,..... Henry A. Johnson, P. M.

The M. W. the Grand Master delivered his annual address, as follows:

Grand Master's Address.

To the Officers and Members of Grand Lodge.

GREETING :—It affords me deep gratification, my brethren, to meet you on this our thirteenth annual meeting. Since the formation of the Grand Lodge of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of New Brunswick, we have passed through many changes, yet, in the midst of all this change, the good work which it is the object and aim of our institution to extend and advance—not only in this City of Saint John but throughout the length and breadth of the Province, from the Restigouche to the Saint Croix—has prospered, and to-day peace and harmony prevail, and an abiding faith animates our membership as to the success of our endeavors to give point and force to the work which we all so deeply love. I suppose at no time during the existence of the grand lodge has there been so much real quiet in our fraternity; indeed, it perhaps may not be improper for me to notice the comparative absence of any “hum” in masonry; and perhaps that is not to be regretted, for, to my mind, our work is of such a character, and is so deeply grounded, that its interests are best advanced by steady, unobtrusive, persistent effort.

During the year the Grand Master has not been called upon to make any decisions of great importance, but such decisions as have been made have been readily acquiesced in by the fraternity.

Agreeably to the authority granted by grand lodge at its last annual session, I had the honor, with officers of grand lodge, of proceeding to the City of Fredericton on the 5th day of June last, and, on the evening of that day, duly constituted Hiram Lodge, No. 6. It is pleasing to know that the union of Solomon's Lodge, No. 6, and St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 29, under the title of Hiram Lodge, No. 6, has proved so exceedingly satisfactory to our brethren of the City of Fredericton.

In accordance with vote of grand lodge in April, 1879, Albert Lodge, which had for some time been working under a dispensation at Hope-well Corner, in the County of Albert, was, on the evening of the 17th of June, last past, constituted under its warrant by myself, being ably

assisted and supported by officers of grand lodge and members of the fraternity, who visited Hopewell Corner for the purpose of meeting the members of Albert Lodge, No. 34. The occasion was most enjoyable and long to be remembered. Albert Lodge promises well, and I feel assured that the zealous brethren of Hopewell will succeed in their good work, and prosper in it, even beyond my sanguine expectations.

I have received a circular announcing the formation of The Grand Orient of Louisiana, and asking our recognition. I have not examined the documents upon which the demand for recognition is based, nor is it necessary to do so. We are in fraternal relations with The Grand Lodge of Louisiana, and we have exchanged representatives with it. That grand body is represented in this grand lodge by our R. W. Brother Edwin J. Wetmore, and our relations with it are in every way most cordial and satisfactory. We cannot recognize any other masonic authority in that state to its prejudice.

I have also received a communication informing me that there has been established in France a symbolic Grand Lodge of the Scottish Rite, in which twelve lodges have united. There are in France two supreme masonic authorities which are generally recognized. The Grand Orient of France and The Supreme Council of France, which latter has under its control various bodies of the so called higher degrees, and many symbolic lodges. This new organization is a movement to take from under the control of the supreme council its subordinate lodges, and to give them a grand lodge of their own. With the object we may sympathize, but we are bound not to do anything to weaken the principle of authority. We are not on terms of amity with the grand orient; but we have recognized it as a legal head of French Freemasonry. We do not know its attitude to the new power. I would recommend grand lodge, therefore, not to take any action in the matter.

In regard to the differences in Cuba, I am glad to say that some approach to a settlement has been reached. Two of the rival powers, the Grand Lodge of Colon and the Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba, have united their fortunes, making a jurisdiction of sixty-five lodges and more than five thousand members.

I have sent these papers to the Committee on Recognition of Sister Grand Lodges, who will, no doubt, report on them.

The application of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales is still before us, and there has been some progress made. The correspondence will be laid before you.

During recess I had the gratification of receiving a circular from the M. W. the Grand Master of the Province of Manitoba, stating that all difficulties in that jurisdiction have been settled, and all suspensions of lodges and members have been removed. This information will doubtless be most pleasing to the members of this jurisdiction, who have not failed to watch with deep interest the progress of freemasonry in our sister Province of Manitoba.

My brethren, it is with deep sympathy that I now attempt to discharge my solemn and melancholy duty of officially recording the death of our well beloved Brother, Worshipful Charles F. Bourne, P. M. of Northumberland Lodge, No. 17, and Past Junior Grand Deacon of this grand lodge, which sad event occurred in Newcastle, in the County of Northumberland, on the first day of September last. Our departed brother gave early evidence of true piety, and few, if any, within our jurisdiction, evinced more untiring devotion to freemasonry.

"Life's labor done,
Serenely to his final rest he passed.
While the soft memories of his virtues yet
Linger, like sunlight hues, when
That bright orb has set."

In the month of October last, the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Israel M. Bulloch, of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Connecticut, was called to his eternal rest in the Celestial Lodge above. The following memorial circular has been issued by that grand lodge from its headquarters, Hartford, Connecticut, dated November 1st, 1879 :

"It is with profound regret that we announce an affliction which has befallen us; our hearts are filled with sorrow, and our heads are bowed down with grief. Death has invaded our portals, and removed from us our much beloved Grand Master, Israel M. Bulloch.

"But a few months since the brethren exalted him to the highest station in the gift of the grand lodge, which he filled with marked dignity and credit; but, after a protracted illness, he was obliged to succumb to the Destroying Angel, and on the morning of October 21st he fell peacefully asleep.

"By the death of Bro. Bulloch the craft in this state has lost one of its most influential and zealous members; the grand lodge a genial and noble officer; and the community in which he lived a highly honored and respected citizen.

"Sadly and mournfully his brethren bore his remains to the scenes of his childhood, and among the hills of his nativity, as the sun was sinking behind the western horizon, they were tenderly deposited in the silent tomb.

"In token of our respect to his memory, it is ordered that the altars, jewels and working tools of the various lodges be draped with the badge of mourning for the space of sixty days, and these letters be read and entered on record in all subordinate lodges in the jurisdiction."

May we, of this grand lodge, not add : "*Blessed are the dead who die*

in the Lord henceforth. Yea, saith the Spirit, that they shall rest from their labours: for their works follow with them."

The death is announced, although I am not officially informed of it, of R. W. Bro. Daniel B. Bruen, our representative at the Grand Lodge of New Jersey. Brother Bruen was an old and venerable mason, who though eighty-five years of age, never ceased from his labor until the gavel fell which summoned him to his final rest. He had been grand master of his state, and had faithfully discharged the duties of many masonic stations. In the dark days of what is known as the Morgan trouble, he never shrank from duty; his zeal never slackened even in age. Honored as a soldier, as a citizen, as a mason, active in the discharge of every duty, there is much in such a well-spent life for us to emulate and to follow.

The representatives appointed since the last annual communication of this grand lodge, are:

M. W. Bro. Edmund L. Judson, P. G. M., near the Grand Lodge of New York, in place of R. W. Bro. Joseph Kenworthy, deceased.

R. W. Bro. J. H. Vanhoose, near the Grand Lodge of Arkansas.

R. W. Bro. Joseph Pinkham, near the Grand Lodge of Idaho.

W. Bro. Stephen G. Bunting, near the Grand Lodge of Oregon.

R. W. Bro. William R. Stubblefield, near the Grand Lodge of Missouri, in place of the late R. W. Bro. Geo. Frank Gouley.

R. W. Bro. Alfred F. Street, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Arkansas near the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick.

R. W. Bro. William F. Bunting, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Oregon near the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick.

The Masonic Fair.

It will now be deemed right for me to refer to an interesting event which took place in this temple in the month of September last. I allude to the Masonic Fair, which opened on the evening of the fifteenth of that month, and lasted for some ten days, presenting a brilliant and animated scene from the beginning until the close, and being visited by about twenty thousand persons. The object of this masonic fair is so well and briefly described in the newspaper which was published during that most interesting time, under the title of "The Masonic Fair," that with your permission I will make the following quotation:

"THE OBJECT OF THE MASONIC FAIR.—The Fair is in aid of the Freemason's Hall. A company owns the building, but it is not probable that the stockholders expect to realize

a great deal out of their stock. All of the lodges and other masonic organizations in St. John which have had money to spare have invested their surplus in it, and many individual masons have helped the work forward according to their means. It is hoped that a revenue will eventually be derived from the hall which will become a permanent fund, administered by grand lodge, for the relief of the distressed, and the carrying on of the other benevolent work of the masonic institution. Were it not for this feature, no public appeal would have been made for assistance. The financial difficulties of the time harassed and impeded the progress of the work, and the circumstances were laid before the ladies, who have responded, as they always do respond, to every call. Their answer is the magnificent display now in the building, and the financial result will surely be of the most satisfactory character."

On the 7th of September the New York *World* had an interesting article, which I find copied in *The Masonic Fair*, and its good wishes and anticipations having been more than realized. I am tempted to quote from the article, and in doing so take the opportunity of tendering the thanks of the masonic fraternity of New Brunswick to the press of Canada and the United States, to whose kind aid we are so much indebted:

"THE MASONIC FAIR which is to be held in St. John, N. B., beginning September 15th and continuing for two weeks, will be on a more extensive scale than anything of the kind ever before attempted in Canada. The fair will be held in the new Masonic Temple on Germain Street, which is being erected at a cost of \$80,000. The site of the building is an excellent one, just adjoining Trinity Church. On the street floor there are five stores. The masonic apartments up stairs contain the lodge rooms, a chapter room, a knights templar asylum and armory, and the library of the grand lodge. The object of the fair is to raise funds necessary to complete the building. Appeals have been made to all the grand lodges in America, not for pecuniary assistance, but for some oddities, the natural products or manufactures of the states from which they are sent. This was done as the first idea of the management was to make the fair an exhibition representing the products of this continent. Some of the appeals have been answered. Utah Territory sends valuable minerals, collected through the energy of Grand Secretary Diabl. The main dependence, however, is placed in the craft of St. John and the immediate vicinity. For months the wives and daughters of masons have been busily engaged preparing fancy articles. As is well known, Saint John was settled by "Tories" after the war which ended in the independence of the United States, and the most influential of these came from New York State. There are the Wetmores, Robinsons, Merritts and Searses, who belong to the same families as those of the same name in New York. Many of the managing committee of the fair are well known to active members of the craft in this city. * * * There are in St. John two royal arch chapters, two encampments of knights templar, and a complete set of the bodies of the A. & A. Rite. There is also a council of royal and select masters, and a conclave of knights of the red cross of Rome and Constantine. St. John is the head-quarters of the provincial grand lodge of the Royal Order of Scotland, only one body of which exists in the United States, which will meet next week at Philadelphia."

The net proceeds of the fair, after liquidating all expenses connected therewith, amounted to the handsome sum of five thousand nine hundred and eight dollars and ten cents, an amount which fully reached the expectations of the most sanguine.

On Friday evening, the 26th September, an entertainment was given to the ladies who assisted at the fair, or in the preparation for it, by the general committee, to show their cordial recognition, as well as that of the fraternity generally throughout the province, of the services which had been rendered by the ladies. We all must feel, however, how impossible it will be ever to repay the ladies who for so many months toiled so unweariedly, so willingly, so heartily, to make the fair the success that it was; and now I can only say further that words fail me to properly convey to all our friends who contributed in any way to the abundant success of the fair our deep and lasting appreciation of their great kindness, and to thank them, one and all, in the most sincere and heartfelt manner that language can convey.

The Masonic Temple.

I would respectfully suggest to grand lodge the propriety of having the very full and complete description of the building in which we are now meeting, with the plate of the same, published in *The Masonic Fair* of the 15th September last, re-published in the proceedings of this grand lodge; and I would again urge upon each individual mason not alone in Saint John, but throughout the province, to take at least one share in the capital stock of the company. If this be done, our most sanguine expectations in this regard will be assured, and the time greatly hastened when the revenue derived from the five stores of the temple shall go to swell the charity fund of grand lodge, to be used for the relief of the widows and orphans of masons throughout this jurisdiction.

I have been charged, as president of the masonic hall company, to thank this grand lodge most earnestly for the generous manner in which it has anticipated the payments of stock subscriptions by the issue of short term bonds; and feeling assured that every member of grand lodge realizes our personal interest in this undertaking, I would therefore, suggest that the board of general purposes be authorized to continue to anticipate the payment of the stock subscribed by the issue of bonds of \$500 each, bearing interest at the rate of six per cent., provided always, that not more than \$4,000 shall be afloat at any one time, and that not more than a single bond of \$500 shall mature and become payable in any one masonic year.

In closing this, my second annual address, permit me to remark that it affords me much gratification to be able to say to you, my brethren,

that peace and harmony prevail throughout the jurisdiction; and having full faith and confidence in your continued zeal for the interests of our craft, I feel well assured that your deliberations will tend to promote the true prosperity of freemasonry throughout the province of New Brunswick.

ROBERT MARSHALL,

Grand Master.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. John V. Ellis, P. G. M., and

Resolved, That the address of the grand master be referred to a special committee to report upon the several subjects contained therein.

Which committee was appointed as follows:

R. W. Bros. John V. Ellis, Edwin J. Wetmore and Thomas F. Gillespie.

The Grand Secretary submitted his annual report and account, as follows:

Report of Grand Secretary.

To the Grand Lodge of F. & A. M. of New Brunswick:

1. Immediately after the last annual communication, I placed the manuscript of the minutes of the session in the hands of the printer, and had the forms run through the press as fast as circumstances would permit. The pamphlet was received from the printer about the first of June, and was thereupon mailed and distributed to lodges, grand lodges and others entitled to receive them.

2. On the sixth day of May last I removed the office of the Grand Secretary from the temporary apartments occupied from the time of the fire of June 20th 1877, to the City Hall, where it is at present located: and, as required by the constitution, I notified the respective lodges of the removal.

3. The receipts of my office since the last annual communication amount to eleven hundred and twenty-eight dollars and seventy-five cents, upon the following accounts:

Registration fees,.....	\$100 00
Certificates,.....	100 00
Annual dues,.....	829 60
Dispensation fees,.....	11 00
Constitutions,.....	18 10
Funeral services,.....	90
Reprints,.....	14 00
Blank forms,.....	25
Warrants to new lodges,.....	45 00
Hall Committee,.....	9 90
Total,.....	\$1,128 75

This sum has been paid in full to the Grand Treasurer and a detailed account furnished the audit committee of the board of general purposes.

The income of grand lodge amounted last year to the sum of fourteen hundred and twenty dollars and forty cents. It will therefore be seen that there has been a diminution of nearly three hundred dollars. This may be accounted for in the depressed state of business and the consequent scarcity of funds with those who might otherwise feel disposed to join our ranks. Fewer applications were consequently made for initiation in the several lodges, and a large falling off in the receipts for lodge fees was the inevitable result.

At the last annual communication I reported the annual dues to amount to nine hundred and forty-seven dollars and sixty cents; this year, as will be observed by the above financial statement, they are one hundred and eighteen dollars less, the result, in a great measure, of the large number of suspensions reported in the annual returns of lodges in the jurisdiction. In one lodge nineteen were suspended, in another fourteen, in another thirty, in another twenty, in another seventeen, in another eleven, and so on. One lodge with a membership of forty-eight, by using the pruning knife quite freely, decapitated twenty members. A mania seems to have taken possession of the craft in this wholesale work of depleting our ranks. Lodges have an undoubted right, under our constitution, to suspend or exclude delinquent members, nevertheless it is presumed that the greatest care and forbearance are to be exercised in placing brethren under the ban of the fraternity. This great slaughter (not of the innocents we hope) causes one to consider, that either much leniency must have been exercised in the past, by these lodges in dealing with members in arrears of dues, or that an undue desire, in the year just ended, has taken possession of them, to

relieve themselves of the delinquent brethren. These frequent and, in many cases, inordinate suspensions for non-payment of dues, may possibly be all right, and may also be strictly masonic: on the other hand, quite the contrary may be the case. It might, however, be pertinent for grand lodge to give the whole matter careful consideration, either by a full discussion in open lodge or by referring the question to a committee to make report upon. Is the suspension for arrears of dues a fulfilling the mission of our great fraternity? or the carrying out of the principles of brotherly love? And in thus ostracizing brethren do we really possess and practice that "charity which suffereth long and is kind"?

4. I have received the returns for 1879 from all the lodges, and with the exception of two have received the fees and dues in full.

The returns show the following particulars:

Initiated,.....	89
Passed,.....	90
Raised,.....	95
Joined,.....	26
Reinstated,.....	8
Withdrawn,.....	89
Suspended,.....	131
Excluded,.....	13
Died,.....	20
Total membership,.....	2176

5. Eleven dispensations were issued during the year, under the authority of the M. W. the Grand Master, as follows:

To bury deceased brethren,.....	3
To confer degrees at short periods,.....	1
To wear regalia in public,.....	5
To ballot for a joining brother in the absence of a certificate, 1	
To instal the officers of a lodge out of the regular time,....	1

6. One hundred and two certificates or diplomas on parchment were issued, against one hundred and fifty eight during the preceding year.

7. Solomon's Lodge, No. 6, and St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 29, of Fredericton, which surrendered their warrants for the purpose of uniting in the formation of Hiram Lodge, No. 6, made their returns and payments complete up to the time of surrender.

The warrant of Solomon's Lodge was surrendered May 13th, and that of St. Andrew's Lodge May 15th, last.

8. Commissions have been issued under the seal of grand lodge to the following brethren, authorizing them to act as the representatives of this grand lodge at their respective Grand Easts, viz : R. W. Bro. J. H. VanHoose of Fayetteville, at the Grand Lodge of Arkansas ; R. W. Bro. Joseph Pinkham of Boise City, at the Grand Lodge of Idaho ; R. W. Bro. William R. Stubblefield of St. Louis, at the Grand Lodge of Missouri, to supply the vacancy caused by the lamented and untimely death of the late R. W. Bro. Geo. Frank Gouley : M. W. Bro. Edmund L. Judson of Albany, at the Grand Lodge of New York, in the place of the late R. W. Bro. Joseph Kenworthy, and W. Bro. Stephen G. Bunting of Portland, at the Grand Lodge of Oregon.

9. Commissions have been received accrediting the following brethren as representatives at the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick, viz : R. W. Bro. Alfred F. Street P. J. G. W., Fredericton, as the representative of the Grand Lodge of Arkansas, and R. W. Bro. William F. Bunting, Grand Secretary, as the representative of the Grand Lodge of Oregon. It may be permitted me to state that among these representatives appear the names of two brothers—Stephen G. Bunting and William F. Bunting, the representatives from and to the Grand Lodge of Oregon—who are brothers masonically and by blood ; a circumstance perhaps unprecedented.

10. On the 13th October last, a destructive fire at Shediac, swept away the hall of Zetland Lodge No. 24, with all its contents, including the warrant. This was a severe blow to the brethren of this lodge and prevented them from holding their meetings during several months. I am pleased to report that they are at work again with their usual earnestness and energy. I furnished them with a duplicate of the warrant burned, copied from the register of warrants so fortunately started and completed in the years gone by. Keith Lodge, No. 23, has also been a sufferer by a fire which occurred at Moncton on the night of the thirteenth day of April instant, by which nearly all the lodge furniture and fixtures were destroyed, involving a loss of about seven hundred dollars and no insurance.

11. Full codes and amendments to by laws have been received, and approved by the M. W. the Grand Master, of the following lodges : Sussex No. 4, Hiram No. 6, St. Andrew No. 16, and Campbellton No. 32.

12. I have received communications from Cuba setting forth, that the two contending masonic bodies in that island, have settled their differences and joined together in one governing body under the title

of "The United Grand Lodge of Colon and the Island of Cuba." There is no report of the proceedings had at and before the formation of this grand lodge, except the election of officers. I have handed the papers to the committee on recognition of sister grand lodges. I have also handed to that committee the documents received last annual communication from the recently organized grand lodge of New South Wales.

13. Enquiry having been made of me by the Grand Secretary of Connecticut, asking if the signature of the grand secretary and the seal of our grand lodge are allowed to be affixed to diplomas not issued under the authority of grand lodge, I informed the R. W. Brother that such is never done in this jurisdiction, all diplomas being issued from the office of the grand secretary under the authority of our grand lodge. I stated to him further, that each brother upon receiving the master's degree is entitled to and furnished with a diploma or certificate, the fee for it being included in the amount sent in with the annual returns of the lodge.

14. The supply of parchment certificates having become exhausted, I ordered five hundred from Edinburgh, Scotland, through R. W. Bro. Alexander Hay, our representative at the Grand Lodge of Scotland. Bro. Hay kindly undertook the commission (as he has done on several previous occasions) and had them struck off and forwarded to me. The copper plate remains in Edinburgh in charge of Bro. Hay.

15. The library continues to receive much of my time and attention and active interest as well. The material for filling the shelves in pamphlets and bound volumes, is being continually received, for many of which we are indebted to zealous and warm-hearted brethren in other jurisdictions principally. In this connection I have much pleasure in making special mention of the names of the following brethren for their kindly assistance and co-operation in the past, and some of them in preceding years :

S. Stacker Williams, Newark, Ohio ; Robert H. Thomas, Librarian Grand Lodge of New York ; Richard Lambert, New Orleans, Louisiana ; William Hacker, Shelbyville, Indiana ; Robert F. Bower, Keokuk, Iowa ; John Moore, Ottawa, Ontario ; Alfred F. Chapman, Boston, Mass. ; Dr. D. E. Seymour, Calais, Maine ; R. P. Butler, Montreal, Quebec ; William Taylor, Halifax, Nova Scotia ; Henry R. Coleman, Louisville, Kentucky ; A. P. Moriarty, New York ; J. O. Dickerson, Chicago, Illinois ; John V. Ellis, and Charles H. Masters of this City.

Besides the pamphlets and proceedings received from the brethren

whose names I have just mentioned, bound volumes have been presented by the following:

M. W. Bro. William Hacker—Reprint of the proceedings Grand Lodge of Indiana from organization A. D. 1817 to 1845, 1 vol. This work was compiled by Bro. Hacker at his own expense.

Grand Lodge Vermont—Reprint of its proceedings from organization A. D. 1794 to 1846.

John Moore—Four volumes as follows:—Letters and Opinions of the Masonic Institution by J. Q. Adams; The World's Masonic Register by Leon Hyneman; Illustrations of Masonry by William Preston, A. D. 1772, (a very scarce work); Solomon's Temple Spiritualized by John Bunyan, edition 1756 (very rare with a curious frontispiece).

The publishers or proprietors of the following masonic periodicals very generously contribute them to the library:

Voice of Masonry, published at Chicago, Illinois.
Freemason's Monthly, published at Kalamazoo, Michigan.
Liberal Freemason, published at Boston, Massachusetts.
Canadian Craftsman, published at Port Hope, Ontario.
Masonic Token, published at Portland, Maine.
Masonic Advocate, published at Indianapolis, Indiana.
Masonic Monthly, published at San Francisco, California.
The Masonic Newspaper, published at New York City.
Corner Stone, published at New York City.

16. The board of general purposes has filed in my office a notice with a proposition to amend the book of constitutions, whereby the fee payable by candidates for initiation in lodges located in the city of Saint John and town of Portland, shall be fixed at not less than twenty-five dollars, and for lodges outside of Saint John and Portland, not less than twenty dollars.

Also, that the fee payable to grand lodge for each person initiated in a lodge, shall be increased from two dollars to four dollars.

These notices, in accordance with the order of grand lodge, were conveyed to each representative in the summons for the present communication.

17. I have made arrangements with the superintendents of the Intercolonial and St. John and Maine railroads, by which brethren attending grand lodge at this communication, are enabled to come to St. John and return, from all stations on the Intercolonial, St. John and Maine, Canada and New Brunswick and Fredericton Railroads, at one first class fare. To enable brethren to take advantage of the reduced fare, it is required of them, before returning home, to obtain

from the Grand Secretary, a certificate that they have been in attendance at grand lodge.

18. My books, correspondence, files of papers, &c., are herewith submitted for the inspection of grand lodge.

19. The following is my account with grand lodge and the subordinate lodges:

WILLIAM F. BUNTING, Grand Secretary,

In account with the Grand Lodge.

Dr.

Cash received from Albion Lodge,.....	No. 1,	\$63 50
" " St. John's.....	" 2,	62 00
" " Hibernia,.....	" 3,	70 00
" " Sussex,.....	" 4,	15 00
" " St. Mark's,.....	" 5,	22 00
" " Solomon's,.....	" 6,	24 70
" " Hiram,.....	" 6,	69 80
" " Sussex,.....	" 7,	36 20
" " Carleton Union,.....	" 8,	52 90
" " Midian,.....	" 9,	10 90
" " Union of Portland,.....	" 10,	71 20
" " Woodstock,.....	" 11,	51 90
" " St. George,.....	" 12,	68 70
" " Corinthian,.....	" 13,	18 20
" " Alley,.....	" 14,	16 00
" " Howard,.....	" 15,	24 70
" " St. Andrew,.....	" 16,	30 60
" " Northumberland,.....	" 17,	56 00
" " Miramichi,.....	" 18,	39 30
" " Leinster,.....	" 19,	21 45
" " Salisbury,.....	" 20,	11 60
" " Zion,.....	" 21,	38 10
" " New Brunswick,.....	" 22,	49 60
" " Zetland,.....	" 24,	24 40
" " Restigouche,.....	" 25,	14 50
" " Victoria,.....	" 26,	25 60
" " St. John,.....	" 27,	15 90

Cash received from Lebanon,	28,	14	30
" " Benjamin,	31,	25	60
" " Campbellton,	32,	21	30
" " Alexandria,	33,	19	90
" " Albert,	34,	31	20
" " Masonic Hall Committee,		9	90
			<u>\$1128 75</u>

1880.	CR.	
Feb'y 7, Cash paid Grand Treasurer,		\$700 00
March 1, " " "		125 00
" 27, " " "		150 00
April 19, " " "		153 75
		<u>\$1128 75</u>

WM. F. BUNTING,
Grand Sec'y.

The Grand Treasurer presented his annual report, as follows:

Report of Grand Treasurer.

JAMES McNICHOL, Jr., Grand Treasurer,

In account with Grand Lodge F. & A. M.:

1879.	DR.	
April 20, To balance in Bank B. N. America,		\$ 281 53
1880.		
Feb'y 7, Amount received from Grand Secretary,		700 00
March 1, " " "		125 00
" 27, " " "		150 00
April 19, " " "		153 75
		<u>\$1410 28</u>

1879.	CR.	
May 7, By paid D. Scribner, tiling,		\$ 12 00
" " Grand Secretary 7 mos. salary,		233 30
June 12, " Official visitation account,		19 70
1880.		
Jan'y 7, " E. E. Kennay, hire of organ,		8 00
" " J. L. McCoskery, binding const'ns,		6 00
" " Roger Hunter, printing,		10 25

Jan'y 7, By paid David Willot, engrossing warrants...	\$ 10 00
" " Imperial Insurance Company,	15 00
" " J. & A. McMillan, envelopes & print'g,	7 10
" " Hall Committee, three quarters,	10 50
" " Official Visitation account,	55 67
" " Willis & Mott, printing,	189 75
" " Library committee,	40 00
" " Alex. Hay, parchment certificates,	109 00
March 1, " Interest on Grand Lodge Bonds,	125 22
" " Grand Lodge Bond,	500 00
April 19, " A. G. Beckwith, engrossing warrant,	5 00
" " Hall committee, quarter's rent,	3 00
" " Grand Secretary, postages, &c., &c.,	29 51
	<u>\$1389 00</u>
Balance in Bank B. N. A.,	21 28
	<u>\$1410 28</u>

ASSETS OF GRAND LODGE.

Balance in Bank B. N. A.,	\$ 21 28
Fund of Benevolence, invested,	1160 00
" " cash,	6 37
Masonic Hall Stock, paid,	3000 00
Total,	<u>\$4187 65</u>

JAMES McNICHOL, Jr.,

St. John, N. B., 19th April, 1880.

Grand Treasurer.

On motion of W. Bro. Freeman W. Wisdom, G. D. C., the reports of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary were tabled.

The R. W. the Deputy Grand Master, as president of the board of general purposes, submitted, through the Grand Secretary, the annual report of the board, as follows:

Report of the Board of General Purposes.

To the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of New Brunswick:

The Board of General Purposes have great pleasure in submitting this their annual report, in informing grand lodge that the past year has presented for their consideration no cause of irregularity or un-masonic conduct.

That masonic work throughout the jurisdiction of grand lodge still holds its honored position, and there is reason to believe that with a return of commercial prosperity the work in lodges will receive an impetus, which will enable grand lodge more satisfactorily to deal with the financial necessities arising out of the masonic work within its jurisdiction.

The board have much pleasure in reporting that, with entire satisfaction to all parties, they have discharged the duty of "perfecting of any details relating to the union of Solomons Lodge and St. Andrews Lodge, Fredericton, under the name of Hiram Lodge, No. 6," assigned to the board by resolution of grand lodge at its last session on the following basis of unification:—

- "1st. Returns and payments of each lodge to be made complete to grand lodge up to the date of surrender of warrants.
- "2nd. The debts of each lodge to be assumed by Hiram Lodge.
- "3rd. Unfinished and unsettled business, work, etc., of each lodge to be assumed and finished by Hiram Lodge.
- "4th. Suspended members in either to be dealt with by Hiram Lodge as if originally suspended by Hiram Lodge.
- "5th. Members of each to carry official rank, status and honors into the new lodge."

The Board having dealt with the matter of negotiating a loan of \$3,000 to be advanced to the New Brunswick Masonic Hall Company, in aid of stock subscribed by grand lodge in that company, have much pleasure in reporting that under direction of the board and of a committee consisting of M. W. G. M. Marshall, V. W. G. T. McNichol and W. Bro. T. N. Robertson the \$3,000 was paid by the delivery to the Masonic Hall Company of six debentures or bonds issued and signed by the Grand Master and Grand Secretary and sealed with the seal of grand lodge. These bonds were for \$500 each bearing interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, and each dated the 20th June, 1879, and are respectively due and payable on the 1st day of March in the years 1880, 1881, 1882, 1883, 1884 and 1885. The interest whereon would be payable as follows:—

	March 1st, 1880	Interest,	\$125 22
\$500	1881	"	150 00
500	" " 1882	"	120 00
500	" " 1883	"	90 00
500	" " 1884	"	60 00
500	" " 1885	"	30 00
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\$3,000		Total interest payable,	\$575 22

And these were accepted by the masonic hall company as a payment of \$3,000 according to the spirit of the resolution of grand lodge, and the board learn with satisfaction that the masonic hall company were able to realize from the sale of these bonds or debentures very nearly their par value.

The board during the year have considered only one matter on appeal.

This appeal involved the determination of the meaning of the word "candidate" as used in the tenth section of the constitution under the title "Proposing members." The appellant was Bro. John Robertson who appealed from the decision of Lodge St. Andrew, No. 16, Richibucto, in receiving an application for admission to membership before the expiration of six months from the date of refusal to entertain a former application.

The Board after a full and exhaustive discussion upon the appeal and the examination of the constitution and standard authorities bearing on the question were led to adopt the following resolution:—

Resolved, That in the opinion of the board the term "candidate" as used in the tenth section of the constitution under the title "Proposing members" refers to candidates for admission into the fraternity and not to brethren for affiliation, and that the word should there be so construed; and further that the appeal of Bro. John Robertson could not be sustained.

The Board have also to report that the funds—\$1,600—received by Hall Committee for insurance on the furniture destroyed in Ritchie's building by the fire of the 20th June, 1877, have been administered by that committee in paying first \$1,089.43 in furnishing the rooms now occupied by the different masonic bodies who were interested in these funds, and by paying the balance over to these bodies, each the proportion to which it was, by its contribution towards furnishing the rooms in Ritchie's building, entitled as follows:—

Albion Lodge.....	\$106 40
St. John's	97 10
Hibernia.....	47 16
Union of Portland.....	43 13
Leinster.....	15 35
New Brunswick.....	38 00
Carleton R. A. Chapter.....	74 13

New Brunswick	38 00
Encampment of St. John.	22 15
DeMolay Encampment,	19 25
Grand Lodge	9 90
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	\$510 57

The undertakings and objects of grand lodge immediately involving monies have had the earnest consideration of the board from time to time during the past year, and discussion thereof induced the board to direct the Grand Secretary to prepare a notice to be presented to grand lodge at the ensuing annual communication to amend the constitution as follows :—

1st. To amend sec. 17 under title "Private Lodges" whereby lodges in the City of St. John and Town of Portland shall charge not less than twenty-five dollars initiation fee to candidates, and lodges in all other parts of the jurisdiction an initiation fee of not less than twenty dollars.

2nd. To amend the section under title of "Fees" whereby the fee payable to grand lodge for every person initiated in a lodge shall be four dollars instead of two dollars, the present fee. The Board recommend these amendments to the attentive consideration of grand lodge.

The Board having appointed Bros. Henry Duffell, H. J. Thorne and W. J. Logan a committee to audit the accounts of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer since the last meeting of grand lodge, herewith submit the report of that committee :

To the President and Members of the Board of General Purposes of F. & A. M. of New Brunswick :

The Committee appointed by the board to examine the books and accounts of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary for the past masonic year, beg leave to state, that they have attended to that duty and have much pleasure to report that they found all accounts correct and the books neatly kept, and proper vouchers for all moneys expended.

The receipts are as follows :

Balance from last year,	281 53
Cash from ordinary sources,	1128 75
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	\$1410 28

The expenses were as follows :

Cash paid for ordinary purposes,	\$1389 00
Cash balance in hands of Grand Treasurer,	21 28
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	\$1410 28

Assets of Grand Lodge :

Cash balance in bank,	\$ 21 28
Fund of benevolence invested,	1160 00
Fund of benevolence cash,	6 87
Masonic Hall Stock,	3000 00
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	\$4187 65

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY DUFFELL,
HENRY J. THORNE,
WILLIAM J. LOGAN.

Saint John, N. B., April 21st, 1880.

The board feels confident that grand lodge will consider with its usual care and wisdom all matters submitted for its consideration.

Fraternally submitted,

BENJ. R. STEVENSON, D. G. M.,
President.

On motion of V. W. Bro. Donald Macrae, G. Chaplain, the foregoing report of the board was received and approved.

The Library Committee submitted the following report, which, on motion of W. Bro. Freeman W. Wisdom, was ordered to be received :

Report of Library Committee.

To the Grand Lodge of F. & A. M. of New Brunswick :

The Library Committee submit a report, as follows :

Since the last annual communication the following additions have been made to the library, principally by purchase :

A Numerical and Numismatic register of lodges which formed the United Grand Lodge of England, by Wm. J. Hughan, 1 vol.

The Cosmopolitan Masonic Calendar, Diary and Pocket book for 1879, Geo. Kenning, 1 vol.

General Ahiman Rezon and Freemasons' Guide, by Daniel Sickles, 1 vol.

The Constitutions of Freemasonry, published in 1723, by Wm. Hunter, 1 vol.

The Knights Templars, by C. G. Addison, 1 vol.

A Manual of the Lodge, by A. G. Mackey, 1 vol.

- The Spirit of Masonry, by Wm. Hutchinson, 1 vol.
 The Ancient Mysteries described, by Wm. Hone, 1 vol.
 Discourses delivered on public occasions, by Thaddeus M. Harris, 1 vol.
 The Early History of Freemasonry in England, by James O. Halliwell, 1 vol.
 The History of Freemasonry and Masonic Digest, by J. W. S. Mitchell, 2 vols.
 The History of Freemasonry from the building of the House of the Lord, by J. W. S. Mitchell, 1 vol.
 The Pythagorean Triangle, by George Oliver, 1 vol.
 Anderson's Household Masonic Library, 7 vols.
 The Antiquities of Freemasonry, by George Oliver, 1 vol.
 The Historical Landmarks and other evidences of Freemasonry, by George Oliver, 1 vol.
 The Golden Remains of the early masonic writers, by George Oliver, 5 vols.
 Signs and Symbols, by George Oliver, 1 vol.
 A Dictionary of Symbolical Masonry, by George Oliver, 1 vol.
 The Book of the Lodge, by George Oliver, 1 vol.
 The Masonic Manual, or lectures on Freemasonry, by Jonathan Ashe, with annotations and remarks, by George Oliver, 1 vol.
 General History, Cyclopaedia and Dictionary of Freemasonry, by Robert Macoy: also a Dictionary of Symbolical Masonry, by George Oliver, 1 vol.
 Calcott's Freemasonry, title page gone — a very old volume in antique type, 1 vol.
 A Brief Enquiry into the origin and principles of Freemasonry, by Simon Greenleaf, 1 vol.
 The Lights and Shadows of Freemasonry, by Rob. Morris, 1 vol.
 The History of Freemasonry and the Grand Lodge of Scotland, by Wm. A. Laurie, 1 vol.
 The Constitutions of Free-masons, by J. T. Desaguliers, A. D. 1723, 1 vol.
 An Ahiman Rezon for the use of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina, A. D. 1807, 1 vol.
 Ahiman Rezon (title page gone), by Laurence Dermott, A. D. 1756, 1 vol.
 Constitutions of the Ancient Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of the United Grand Lodge of England, A. D. 1855, 1 vol.

- Constitutions of the Ancient Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of England. First Canadian edition, re-published by order of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Upper Canada, A. D. 1823, 1 vol.
 The Constitution of Freemasonry, or Ahiman Rezon of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, A. D. 1850, 1 vol.
 The Constitution of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, A. D. 1843, 1 vol.
 General Regulations for the government of the order of Royal Arch Masons of England, A. D. 1843, 1 vol.
 Statutes for the government of the Royal, Exalted, Religious and Military Order of Masonic Knights Templar of England and Wales, A. D. 1853, 1 vol.
 The Masonic Minstrel, being a collection of Odes, Anthems, Songs, Prologues, Epilogues, &c., by J. Johnson, London, A. D. 1828, 1 vol.
 Freemasons' Calendar and Pocket Book for 1847. London, A. D. 1847, 1 vol.
 The same for 1858, 1 vol.
 The Key Stone of the Masonic Arch, by Charles Scott, 1 vol.
 The Freemasons' Manual, by Rev. K. J. Stewart, 1 vol.
 The Freemasons' Monitor, by Z. A. Davis, 1 vol.
 The True Masonic Chart, or Hieroglyphic Monitor, by Jeremy L. Cross, A. D., 1820, 1 vol.
 The Freemasons' Monitor, by Thos. Smith Webb, 1 vol.
 Digest of Masonic Law, by George W. Chase, 1 vol.
 Masonry and Anti-Masonry; A History of Masonry as it has existed in Pennsylvania since 1792, by Alfred Creigh, 1 vol.
 The Freemasons' Magazine, by Charles W. Moore, 8 vols.
 The Freemasons' Quarterly Review, London, 6 vols.
 The Freemasons' Quarterly Magazine, London, 2 vols.
 The Freemasons' Monthly Magazine, London, 1 vol.
 The Freemasons' Magazine and Masonic Mirror, London, 3 vols.
 The American Freemason, Louisville, 1 vol.
 Letters and Opinions of the Masonic Institution, by John Q. Adams, 1 vol.
 The World's Masonic Register, by Leon Hyneman, 1 vol.
 Illustrations of Masonry, by William Preston, A. D. 1772, 1 vol.
 Solomon's Temple Spiritualized, by John Bunyan, A. D. 1756, 1 vol.
 Reprint of the proceedings Grand Lodge of Indiana from organization A. D. 1817 to 1845, by William Hacker, 1 vol.

Reprint of the proceedings Grand Lodge of Vermont from organization A. D. 1794 to 1846.

A large assortment of magazines, pamphlets, &c.

Included in the foregoing is a portion of the library of the late R. W. Bro. Robert Gowan, purchased from his legatee.

The account current of the committee with grand lodge may be stated as follows:

Amount on hand per last report,.....	\$87 14
Cash received from grand treasurer,.....	40 00
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	\$127 14
Expended for books and pamphlets,.....	\$74 56
Subscriptions to periodicals,.....	5 00
Postage, express, duties, &c.,.....	15 08
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	94 64
Balance in hands of Committee,.....	<hr/>
	\$32 50

There remains to the credit of the committee in the general fund of grand lodge, the sum of \$144.32 from the amount appropriated by grand lodge out of the proceeds of insurance on the library destroyed by the fire of June 20th, 1877.

Fraternally submitted,

WM. F. BUNTING,
B. LESTER PETERS,
EDWIN J. WETMORE.

St. John, N. B., 27th April, 1880.

On motion of R. W. Bro. John V. Ellis, P. G. M., it was

Ordered, That the election of the elective officers of grand lodge be the order of the day for this evening at half-past eight o'clock.

Amendments to the Constitution.

The grand secretary read and submitted the following notice of motion:

St. JOHN, N. B., 4th February, 1880.

Notice is hereby given, that at the ensuing annual communication of the Grand Lodge of F. & A. M., the Board of

General Purposes will propose the following amendments to the Constitution:

First: Section 17 "Private Lodges."

Strike out the words "and County of Saint John," first line, and substitute therefor the words "of Saint John and the Town of Portland."

Strike out "twenty" second line, and insert in lieu thereof the words "twenty-five."

Strike out the word "County" third line, and substitute therefor the words "City of Saint John and the Town of Portland."

Strike out the word "sixteen" fourth line, and insert instead thereof the word "twenty."

Second: Under the heading "Fees" page 49, tenth paragraph, strike out the word "two" and substitute therefor the word "four."

By order of the Board,

W. F. BUNTING, *Grand Sec'y*,
Secretary.

On motion of V. W. Bro. James McNichol, Jr., G. T. and vice-president of the board of general purposes, both propositions were considered separately and were unanimously adopted by grand lodge.

Pending the discussion and vote on these amendments, the following resolution of Northumberland Lodge, No. 17, was read and received:

At a regular communication of Northumberland Lodge, No. 17, held on the thirteenth instant, the following resolution was moved and unanimously carried, viz.:

Whereas it appears that at the next session of the grand lodge a proposal is to be made to increase the grand lodge fee payable by persons initiated in any lodge in this province from two dollars to four dollars;

Resolved, That in the opinion of this lodge such an action would be an injustice to country lodges and would not be conducive to the general advancement of the interests of the craft throughout the province; and

Further Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Grand Secretary.

It was moved by V. W. Bro. James McNichol, Jr., G. T., and

Resolved, That the foregoing amendments to the constitution shall come into force on the first day of June next, but shall not affect the petitions of candidates already before the several lodges.

A note was read and received from the Secretary of Hiram Lodge, No. 6, stating that he was instructed to ask grand lodge to allow Hiram Lodge to hold possession of the old warrants of Solomon's Lodge, No. 6, and St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 29, surrendered by them when they united in the formation of Hiram Lodge, No. 6.

Whereupon it was moved by the Grand Secretary, and

Ordered, That the warrants be forwarded to the grand secretary for the purpose of being properly endorsed and cancelled, and that they be afterward placed in the possession of Hiram Lodge as requested in the application.

R. W. Bro. William F. Bunting, Grand Secretary, presented his commission as the representative of the Grand Lodge of the State of Oregon, dated at Portland, Oregon, 28th day of July, A. L. 5879, and signed by M. W. Bro. R. P. Earhart, Grand Master, and R. W. Bro. Irving W. Pratt, Grand Secretary.

The Right Worshipful Brother was duly recognized and received as such representative and saluted with the usual honors.

The Committee appointed to report upon the several subjects contained in the grand master's address, submitted a report which, on motion of R. W. Bro. John V. Ellis, P. G. M., was received and adopted, viz.:

Report of Committee on Grand Master's Address.

The Committee on the Grand Master's address beg to submit a report.

They recommend that so much of the Grand Master's address as refers to recognition of sister grand lodges be referred to the standing committee on the subject.

That so much of it as refers to deceased brethren be referred to a special committee on the subject.

The committee ask leave to make a further report.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN V. ELLIS,
THOS. F. GILLESPIE,
E. J. WETMORE.

St. John, N. B., April 27th, 1880.

In the terms of the foregoing recommendation the M. W. the Grand Master appointed V. W. Bro. Donald Macrae, R. W. Bro. Edward Willis and W. Bro. Wm. H. B. Sadleir such committee.

The Committee on the recognition of Sister Grand Lodges submitted a report, which, on motion of R. W. Bro. John V. Ellis, was ordered to be received, viz.:

Report of Committee on Recognition of Sister Grand Lodges.

The undersigned committee on Recognition of Sister Grand Lodges submit the following report:

As respects the application for recognition of "The Grand Orient of Louisiana," this organization as pointed out by the Grand Master in his address, can have no standing on which to base any claim for recognition by any regular grand lodge, and the committee do not deem it necessary to make any recommendation.

In regard to the "Symbolic Grand Lodge of the Scottish Rite" in France, the case is fairly stated by the Grand Master. We have recognized the Grand Orient of France as the head of French Freemasonry, and although we are not in friendly communication with it, we cannot under existing circumstances enter into relations with a new power claiming to be the grand lodge of a mere fragment of the craft. We do not advise grand lodge to any action.

The committee have had before them papers in addition to those before grand lodge last year in relation to the masonic organizations

in the Island of Cuba. They are glad to find that the hopes expressed by the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick have been realized. The Grand Lodge of Colon and the Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba formally united in January, and on the 28th March last, the united body elected office bearers, the Grand Master of one body becoming Grand Master, and the Grand Master of the other body Deputy Grand Master. The title of the new organization is "The United Grand Lodge of Colon and the Island of Cuba." It has a roll of fifty-seven lodges and between five thousand and six thousand masons. The committee feel that the interests of our fraternity will be advanced by recognizing a body so strong and so respectable; and they feel that it is a matter for congratulation that the differences heretofore existing in Cuban freemasonry have been so happily healed.

The committee have carefully examined the papers relating to the formation of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales. That body appears to have been regularly formed by the constitutional number of lodges in a colony having local self-government, and with quite as much right to possess masonic government as the Province of New Brunswick. It is quite true that all the lodges in the territory of New South Wales have not yet given in their adhesion to the new grand lodge; but it is also true that so long as this grand lodge exists there, no other can be lawfully formed. There is no legal masonic obstacle to prevent our entering into fraternal relations with it.

The committee offer the following resolutions:

1st. That the United Grand Lodge of Colon and the Island of Cuba, having jurisdiction in the Island of Cuba, be and is hereby heartily recognized.

2nd. That the Grand Lodge of New South Wales, having masonic jurisdiction in the colony of New South Wales, be recognized as a regular grand lodge, and the right hand of fellowship extended to it.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOHN V. ELLIS,
EDWIN J. EVERETT.

April 27th, 1880.

On motion of R. W. Bro. Ellis, the resolution of the committee having reference to the recognition of the United

Grand Lodge of Colon and the Island of Cuba, was unanimously adopted.

On motion of R. W. Bro. Ellis, the second resolution, having reference to the recognition of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales, was unanimously adopted.

And on further motion, the report in full was adopted.

Grand Lodge was called from labor until half-past seven o'clock this evening.

TUESDAY EVENING.

27th April, 1880.

Grand Lodge was called to labor at half-past seven o'clock, the M. W. the Grand Master in the East.

Notes were read and received from W. Bro. D. E. Seymour, P. S. G. D., representative at the Grand Lodge of the State of Maine, and W. Bro. Alexander Burchill, P. S. G. D. and W. M. Hiram Lodge, No. 1, expressing regret at not being able to attend grand lodge.

R. W. Bro. Alfred F. Street, P. J. G. W., presented his commission as the representative of the Grand Lodge of the State of Arkansas, dated at Little Rock, Arkansas, the 6th day of September, A. L. 5879, and signed by M. W. Bro. George Thornburgh, Grand Master, and R. W. Bro. Luke E. Barber, Grand Secretary.

The Right Worshipful Brother was duly received and recognized as such representative, and saluted with the customary honors.

The Committee on Deceased Brethren submitted a report, which report and the resolutions contained in it, on motion of R. W. Bro. B. Lester Peters, P. G. M., were received and adopted, viz.:

Report of the Committee on Deceased Brethren.

The Committee to whom was referred that portion of the annual address of M. W. the Grand Master, announcing the death of W. Bro. Charles F. Bourne, P. M. of Northumberland Lodge, No. 17, and Past J. G. D. of this Grand Lodge, beg to submit the following resolutions for adoption by the grand lodge :

Resolved That the Grand Lodge of the A. and H. F. of F. and A. M. of the Province of New Brunswick, have learned with deep regret of the death of W. Bro. C. F. Bourne, P. J. G. D. of this Grand Lodge ;

And further Resolved, That W. Bro. C. F. Bourne, by his profound regard to the interests of our ancient institution, his unobtrusive but unceasing masonic charity, his integrity, piety and uniform consistency of character, had justly endeared himself to all the members of the fraternity, who will long cherish the recollection of his many virtues ;

And further Resolved, That the foregoing resolutions be engrossed and transmitted to the widow of our late W. Brother, under the seal of the Grand Lodge and the signatures of the M. W. the Grand Master and V. W. the Grand Secretary.

And further Resolved, That as a mark of respect for the memory of our late W. Brother, a memorial page in the usual form be entered upon the records of the Grand Lodge and inserted in the printed minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

D. MACRAE,
EDWARD WILLIS,
W. H. B. SADLEIR.

On motion of R. W. Bro. John V. Ellis, P. G. M., it was

Ordered, That the report of the grand secretary be taken from the table.

Whereupon, it was moved by R. W. Bro. W. F. Bunting, grand secretary,

That the section (No. 3), in the report having reference to the suspension of brethren for non-payment of dues in lodges, be referred to a special committee to report at the next annual communication.

Which motion was negatived.

The Committee on Deceased Brethren submitted a further

report which, on motion of R. W. Bro. B. Lester Peters, P. G. M., was received and adopted, viz. :

Report of Committee on Deceased Brethren.

The Committee on the portion of the M. W. the Grand Master's address relative to deceased craftsmen, submit a further report :

With regard to the decease of M. W. G. M. Israel M. Bulloch, so profoundly lamented by M. W. the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, the M. W. the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick unite with the brethren of Connecticut in their sorrow, and request that the V. W. the Grand Secretary convey to the Grand Lodge of Connecticut an expression of their heartfelt sympathy.

To the memory of the R. W. and venerable brother Daniel B. Bruen, who, for a period so unusually protracted, faithfully discharged the duties of various masonic stations, and, in particular, was for many years the honorable representative of this Grand Lodge in the state of New Jersey, it is hereby resolved that a memorial page be dedicated in the records of M. W. the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick and printed in the usual form in the minutes.

D. MACRAE,
EDWARD WILLIS,
W. H. B. SADLEIR.

In accordance with the order of the day, and on motion of R. W. Bro. John V. Ellis, P. G. M., grand lodge proceeded to the election of the elective officers.

The regulations of grand lodge having reference to the selection of officers, were read by the grand secretary.

W. Bro. B. C. Barclay Boyd, R. W. Bro. Alfred F. Street, and R. W. Bro. Thomas F. Gillespie were appointed scrutineers and duly qualified to act as such.

Upon the several ballotings the scrutineers reported the following brethren as having received a majority of the votes

cast, and they were therefore declared duly elected to the respective offices, as follows :

M. W. ROBERT MARSHALL, Grand Master, (re-elected).
 R. W. REV. FRANCIS PARTRIDGE, D. G. Master.
 R. W. GEORGE F. STICKNEY, S. G. Warden.
 R. W. GEORGE TODD, J. G. Warden.
 V. W. REV. DONALD MACRAE, Grand Chaplain, "
 V. W. JAMES McNICHOL, JR., Grand Treasurer, "
 Bro. DINGEE SCRIBNER, Grand Tyler, "

The Committee on the Grand Master's Address submitted a further report, which report and the recommendations contained in it, were received and adopted upon motion of R. W. Bro. John V. Ellis, P. G. M.

Report of Committee on Grand Master's Address.

The Committee on the Grand Master's address submit a further report :

The committee congratulate grand lodge on the harmony that prevails throughout the jurisdiction.

They agree with the Grand Master that our interests are best advanced by steady, persistent, but unobtrusive effort, and they believe that the fraternity will sustain no real injury from a few years of the quiet to which the Grand Master refers.

The committee are pleased to learn that the Grand Master has not been called upon to make any important decisions. They infer from this that a knowledge of the laws and practices of the institution spreads among the fraternity.

The committee are satisfied that grand lodge will heartily rejoice over the consummation of the union of the lodges at Fredericton, and at the prospects which open before the Albert Lodge at Hopewell.

The committee have no doubt that grand lodge will concur in the gratification of the grand master at the settlement of difficulties among the craft in Manitoba.

The committee rejoice with the grand master at the great success which attended the masonic fair in St. John. The object was certainly

one to enlist the hearty good feeling of the craft, whilst the handsome result realized could only have been obtained by the assistance of the ladies and other warm friends of the fraternity.

The committee endorse the suggestion of the grand master to print in the next issue of the proceedings a description of the hall, as they heartily recommend to individual brethren the importance of assisting this great undertaking.

The committee feel that grand lodge should use every reasonable effort to aid the hall, and this has become the more necessary because of the strain upon the resources of the company owing to the stringency of the times. They recommend grand lodge to adopt the suggestion of the grand master to aid the company by the issue of bonds to the full extent of the stock subscribed by grand lodge for the amount of bonds afloat at any one time, not to exceed \$4,000, and that the Board of General Purposes be empowered to give full effect to this suggestion.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOHN V. ELLIS,
 EDWIN J. WETMORE,
 THOS. F. GILLESPIE.

The installation of officers for the ensuing year was then proceeded with, when M. W. Bro. Robert Marshall, Grand Master re-elect, was invested and installed by R. W. Bro. John V. Ellis, P. G. M., and was saluted and proclaimed "Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of New Brunswick."

In the exercise of his prerogative the M. W. the Grand Master appointed the following office-bearers for the ensuing year :

V. W. WILLIAM F. BUNTING, Grand Secretary.
 W. GEORGE E. FAIRWEATHER, Senior Grand Deacon.
 W. WILLIAM J. LOGAN, Junior Grand Deacon.
 W. FREEMAN W. WISDOM, Grand Dir. Ceremonies.
 W. WILLIAM H. B. SADLEIR, Asst. G. Dir. Ceremonies.

W. ARCHIBALD McLEAN,.....Grand Sword Bearer.
 W. B. C. BARCLAY BOYD,.....Grand Standard Bearer.
 W. GEORGE F. DEVINE,.....Grand Organist.
 W. CHARLES U. HANFORD,....Grand Pursuivant.
 W. ROBERT J. MELVIN,.....Grand Steward.
 W. CHARLES H. MASTERS,....
 W. ALLEN McN. TRAVIS,.....
 W. WILLIAM B. HOWARD,.....
 W. JOHN A. WATSON,.....
 W. ROBERT B. EMERSON,.....
 W. WILLIAM B. WALLACE,....
 W. GAUIS S. TURNER,.....
 W. D. A. E. HUTCHISON,.....
 W. EDMUND L. STREET,.....
 W. CHARLES MASTERS,.....
 W. ARTHUR EVERETT,.....

The following officers, elected and appointed, were invested, installed and proclaimed:

R. W. REV. FRANCIS PARTRIDGE, Deputy Grand Master.
 R. W. GEORGE F. STICKNEY,.....Senior Grand Warden.
 R. W. GEORGE TODD,.....Junior Grand Warden.
 V. W. REV. DONALD MACRAE,....Grand Chaplain.
 V. W. JAMES McNICHOL, JR.,...Grand Treasurer.
 V. W. WILLIAM F. BUNTING,....Grand Secretary.
 W. GEORGE E. FAIRWEATHER, Senior Grand Deacon.
 W. FREEMAN W. WISDOM,.....Grand Dir. Ceremonies.
 W. WILLIAM H. B. SADLEIR, Asst. G. Dir. Ceremonies.
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 W. GEORGE F. DEVINE,.....Grand Organist.
 W. CHARLES H. MASTERS,....Grand Steward.
 W. JOHN A. WATSON,.....

W. WILLIAM B. WALLACE,....Grand Steward.
 W. ARTHUR EVERITT,.....
 Bro. DINGEE SCRIBNER,...Grand Tyler.

The M. W. the Grand Master made the following appointments to the Board of General Purposes for the ensuing year:

R. W. EDWARD WILLIS,.....Past D. G. Master.
 R. W. HENRY DUFFELL,.....Past S. G. Warden.
 V. W. JAMES McNICHOL, JR.,...Grand Treasurer.
 W. J. HENRY LEONARD,.....Past Master Lodge No. 8.
 W. T. NISBET ROBERTSON,....Past G. D. Ceremonies.
 W. ANDREW J. STEWART,....Past Master Lodge No. 3.
 W. HENRY J. THORNE,.....Past Master Lodge No. 19.
 W. WILLIAM J. LOGAN,.....Past Master Lodge No. 3.
 W. JOHN A. WATSON,.....Grand Steward.
 W. ROBERT J. McADOO,.....Past Junior G. Deacon.

The following standing committees were appointed.

Ritual Committee:

R. W. Robert T. Clinch, R. W. B. Lester Peters, R. W. John V. Ellis, R. W. Henry Duffell, W. Thomas Walker, W. Joseph C. Hatheway, and W. Wm. H. B. Sadleir.

Library Committee:

R. W. William F. Bunting, W. George E. Fairweather, W. B. C. Barclay Boyd.

Committee on recognition of sister Grand Lodges:

R. W. John V. Ellis, R. W. Edward Willis, and W. Edwin J. Everett.

Committee on Warrants to New Lodges.

R. W. Benjamin R. Stevenson, R. W. Edward Willis and
R. W. Thomas F. Gillespie.

It was moved by W. Bro. Geo. E. Fairweather, S. G. D.,
and

Resolved, that the reports of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary be received.

It was moved by the V. W. the Grand Secretary, and

Resolved, that the cordial acknowledgments of grand lodge be tendered to the superintendents of the respective railways for the facilities offered by them to brethren attending the session.

It was moved by W. Bro. F. W. Wisdom, G. D. C., and

Ordered, that the committee on credentials receive the thanks of grand lodge for the prompt and efficient manner in which they have discharged the important duties assigned them.

On motion of the V. W. the Grand Secretary, the thanks of grand lodge were ordered to be recorded to brethren who have made contributions to the library.

It was moved by the V. W. the Grand Secretary, and

Resolved, that for the future, all proposed amendments to the books of constitutions shall be inserted in the usual summonses issued to the members of grand lodge.

At eleven o'clock p. m., grand lodge was closed in *amplified* form.

Wm. J. Runtz
Grand Secy

SYNOPSIS OF RETURNS OF LODGES

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 27TH DECEMBER, 1878.

Lodge No.	Name of Lodge.	Initiated.	Passed.	Raised.	Joined.	Reinstated.	Withdrawn.	Suspended.	Excluded.	Died.	Total Members.
1	Albion,.....	2	2	3	1	....	3	....	....	1	140
2	Saint John's,.....	4	4	4	1	....	4	....	....	2	136
3	Hibernia,.....	4	6	7	3	5	4	19	....	....	121
4	Sussex,.....	1	1	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	30
5	Saint Mark's,.....	....	1	1	....	1	7	....	....	....	54
6	Hiram,.....	6	5	5	1	1	2	....	....	....	101
7	Sussex,.....	....	....	....	1	1	2	2	....	....	87
8	Carleton Union,....	2	....	1	2	....	14	....	....	....	116
9	Midian,.....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	26
10	Union of Portland,...	5	4	4	1	....	5	30	....	1	138
11	Woodstock,.....	5	8	9	1	....	3	6	....	....	91
12	Saint George,.....	4	5	7	1	....	2	....	....	3	143
13	Corinthian,.....	2	2	2	1	....	....	....	....	....	33
14	Alley,.....	1	1	1	....	....	4	....	....	2	35
15	Howard,.....	2	....	1	....	....	5	....	....	2	48
16	Saint Andrew,.....	3	3	3	1	....	....	....	....	1	58
17	Northumberland,...	9	8	8	1	....	5	5	1	2	83
18	Miramichi,.....	4	6	6	1	....	3	....	....	1	77
19	Leinster,.....	....	....	....	....	....	11	....	11	....	53
20	Salisbury,.....	1	1	1	....	....	4	20	....	....	24
21	Zion,.....	1	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	79
22	New Brunswick,...	9	8	8	....	....	3	17	....	2	74
23	Keith,.....	5	5	5	2	....	4	5	1	....	78
24	Zetland,.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	33
25	Restigouche,.....	....	1	1	1	....	6	1	....	1	56
26	Victoria,.....	2	1	....	....	....	....	11	....	....	54
27	Saint John,.....	....	....	....	1	....	2	....	....	....	36
28	Lebanon,.....	1	1	1	....	....	3	1	....	1	24
30	Saint Martin's,....	1	1	1	1	....	1	....	....	....	44
31	Benjamin,.....	4	4	3	....	....	3	....	....	....	35
32	Campbellton,.....	1	1	3	1	....	2	....	....	....	42
33	Alexandria,.....	4	4	3	....	....	1	....	....	....	27
34	Albert,.....	6	6	5	2	....	....	....	....	....	18
Total,.....		89	90	95	26	8	89	131	13	20	2176

Suspensions, A. D. 1879.

Arnoldson, David O.	Carleton Union Lodge, No. 8.
Appleby, Peter E.	" "
Alward, Aaron	Union Lodge of Portland, No. 10.
Anderson, George	" "
Austin, Marshall D.	" "
Appleby, Stephen B.	Woodstock Lodge, No. 11.
Allingham, John E.	Salisbury Lodge, No. 20.
Allen, Alonzo	New Brunswick Lodge, No. 22.
Butler, Richard P.	Hibernia Lodge, No. 3.
Black, Henry A.	" "
Briggs, James	" "
Bishop, George	Carleton Union Lodge, No. 8.
Barton, George	Union Lodge of Portland, No. 10.
Burpee, Samuel S.	Woodstock Lodge, No. 11.
Brown, John	Northumberland Lodge, No. 17.
Baker, Henry	New Brunswick Lodge, No. 22.
Bostwick, David	" "
Blacktin, Charles	Victoria Lodge, No. 26.
Bowes, J. Alonzo	Lebanon Lodge, No. 28.
Campbell, John	Hibernia Lodge, No. 3.
Clewley, Albert H.	Sussex Lodge, No. 7.
Clark, Thomas W.	Carleton Union Lodge, No. 8.
Campbell, Mark	Union Lodge of Portland, No. 10.
Churchill, Ezbon	Woodstock Lodge, No. 11.
Cowden, Thomas A.	Northumberland Lodge, No. 17.
Crandall, Henry V.	Salisbury Lodge, No. 20.
Croasdale, William J.	" "
Campbell, James	" "
Cowan, George H.	Victoria Lodge, No. 26.
Dykeman, Jacob W.	Hibernia Lodge, No. 3.
Doig, Peter	Union Lodge of Portland, No. 10.

Dearness Thomas	New Brunswick Lodge, No. 22.
Dunn, Henry	" "
Dann, James W.	" "
Elliott, Elias W.	Salisbury Lodge, No. 20.
Featherstone, Robert S.	Carleton Union Lodge, No. 8.
Flaherty, Robert L. H.	Union Lodge of Portland, No. 10.
Falconer, John	Miramichi Lodge, No. 18.
Flewelling, Ormond E.	Salisbury Lodge, No. 20.
Fisher, Samuel	New Brunswick Lodge, No. 22.
Gregory, Thomas	Hibernia Lodge, No. 3.
Ganong, John D.	Carleton Union Lodge, No. 8.
Golding, Albert V.	" "
Gillespie, Richard M.	" "
Gregory, Robert A.	Union Lodge of Portland, No. 10.
Gregory, Edward R.	" "
Golding, Stephen T.	" "
Gunn, John G.	" "
Gowland, John	Salisbury Lodge, No. 20.
Goodere, John F.	Keith Lodge, No. 23.
Grant, Titus S.	" "
Harwood, Arthur	Hibernia Lodge, No. 3.
Heller, Soren S.	Carleton Union Lodge, No. 8.
Hayward, Samuel	Union Lodge of Portland, No. 10.
Hayward, William	" "
Hatfield, James	" "
Hilt, Joseph G.	Woodstock Lodge, No. 11.
Heaps, Thomas M.	" "
Henry, Walter B.	Salisbury Lodge, No. 20.
Hunter, Robert	" "
Hillman, William	New Brunswick Lodge, No. 22.
Hazlewood, Robert H.	" "
Harper, James	" "
Harris, Joseph A.	Keith Lodge, No. 23.
Hennigar, James H.	Victoria Lodge, No. 26.
Hitchings, Henry S.	" "
Hall, John M.	" "

Hamilton, Claudius..... Victoria Lodge, No. 26.
 Johnston, Thomas..... Hibernia Lodge, No. 3.
 Jones, Henry..... Salisbury Lodge, No. 20.
 Jack, T. Chalmers..... Victoria Lodge, No. 26.
 Knowles, John R..... Hibernia Lodge, No. 3.
 Knowles, Thomas S..... " "
 Keltie, Robert B..... Union Lodge of Portland, No. 10.
 Keown, Robert..... Northumberland Lodge, No. 17.
 Kay, Early..... Salisbury Lodge, No. 20.
 Kerr, Archibald..... Restigouche Lodge, No. 25.
 Lloyd, Stephen..... New Brunswick Lodge, No. 22.
 Morrissey, William C..... Union Lodge of Portland, No. 10.
 Mahony, Francis..... " "
 Moore, Joseph H..... " "
 Murray, William D..... Salisbury Lodge, No. 20.
 Melick, James W..... New Brunswick Lodge, No. 22.
 McHarg, John..... Hibernia Lodge, No. 3.
 McInnes, Donald..... " "
 McLeod, John, Junr..... " "
 McKenzie, Thomas C..... Carleton Union Lodge, No. 8.
 McGibbon, William..... Union Lodge of Portland, No. 10.
 McFee, William..... " "
 McPherson, Daniel..... Northumberland Lodge, No. 17.
 McArthur, James..... Salisbury Lodge, No. 20.
 McInnis, Robert..... New Brunswick Lodge, No. 22.
 McAllister, George C..... Victoria Lodge, No. 26.
 Norris, Evelin..... Hibernia Lodge, No. 3.
 Percival, Nathaniel..... Union Lodge of Portland, No. 10.
 Prince, Thomas W..... " "
 Rogerson, John..... " "
 Riley, George F..... " "
 Rainnie, William..... " "
 Riley, John..... " "
 Rankine, Archibald..... " "
 Robinson, James L..... New Brunswick Lodge, No. 22.
 Speer, William G..... Hibernia Lodge, No. 3.

Smart, Nathan..... Sussex Lodge, No. 7.
 Stafford, William J..... Carleton Union Lodge, No. 8.
 Scharffenberg, Frederick..... " "
 Swift, James..... Union Lodge of Portland, No. 10.
 Sprague, George H..... " "
 Stephenson, Thomas, Junr..... Woodstock Lodge, No. 11.
 Shrewsbury, Abram B. R..... Northumberland Lodge, No. 17.
 Steeves, Elisha S..... Salisbury Lodge, No. 20.
 Steeves, Joseph D..... " "
 Steeves, William C..... " "
 Steeves, C. Alfred..... " "
 Smith, John..... New Brunswick Lodge, No. 22.
 Sadler, William..... Keith Lodge, No. 23.
 Scott, Thaddeus..... " "
 Smith, Edmund S..... Victoria Lodge, No. 26.
 Thorne, Wilford B..... Hibernia Lodge, No. 3.
 Tilley, Charles F..... Carleton Union Lodge, No. 8.
 Taylor, Warren..... Salisbury Lodge, No. 20.
 Talbert, Alexander J..... New Brunswick Lodge, No. 22.
 Towers, Stillman..... Victoria Lodge, No. 26.
 Tyler, Phineas N..... " "
 Vaughan, Robert..... Carleton Union Lodge, No. 8.
 White, Thomas..... Hibernia Lodge, No. 3.
 Wilbur, Frederick W..... " "
 Wales, James..... " "
 Walker, John..... Union Lodge of Portland, No. 10.
 Wilson, William N..... Salisbury Lodge, No. 20.
 Wilmot, Samuel S..... " "
 Williams, James D..... New Brunswick Lodge, No. 22.

Excluded, A. D. 1879.

Brush, Alfred..... Keith Lodge, No. 23.
 Earle, William..... Leinster Lodge, No. 19.

Gross, Moses L.	Leinster Lodge, No. 19.
Hetherington, Thomas	" "
Keith, Benjamin R.	" "
Morris, Isaiah	" "
Maltby, Thomas	Northumberland Lodge, No. 17.
McIntyre, Joseph	Leinster Lodge, No. 19.
Perry, Xenophon	" "
Reed, Andrew W.	" "
Southwood, Richard D.	" "
Spence, John	" "
Tweedale, William A.	" "

Restored to Membership A. D. 1879.

Bell, Hugh	Hibernia Lodge, No. 3.
Bradley, Richard	" "
Cully, John P.	" "
Cook, George W.	St. Mark's Lodge, No. 5.
Dick, Samuel	Hibernia Lodge, No. 3.
Israel, Edward H.	" "
McCoubrey, Samuel	Sussex Lodge, No. 7.
Sutherland, Joseph	Hiram Lodge, No. 6.

Deaths A. D. 1879.

Barnes, Amos B.	Albion Lodge, No. 1.
Brown, Sharon	Alley Lodge, No. 14.
Bourne, Charles F.	Northumberland Lodge, No. 17.
Bennett, Robert J.	Restigouche Lodge, No. 25.
Cooley, John G.	Leinster Lodge, No. 19.
Cole, William F.	Lebanon Lodge, No. 28.
Doten, William B.	Alley Lodge, No. 14.
Denney, James	New Brunswick Lodge, No. 22.

Elliot, Samuel	St. George Lodge, No. 12.
Gates, George K.	" "
Gray, James	Miramichi Lodge, No. 18.
Holmes, Andrew	Union Lodge of Portland, No. 10.
Moran, James A.	St. George Lodge, No. 12.
McDowall, Isaac M.	St. John's Lodge, No. 2.
McMinn, David	Lodge St. Andrew, No. 16.
Nicoud, Simon A. R.	New Brunswick Lodge, No. 22.
Petherick, Thomas	Howard Lodge, No. 15.
Patten, Horatio H.	Northumberland Lodge, No. 17.
Sinnott, William H.	St. John's Lodge, No. 2.
West, Alden J.	Howard Lodge, No. 15.
White, Isaac	Salisbury Lodge, No. 20.
Wallace, William	Zetland Lodge, No. 24.

In Memory of

WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Charles H. Bouene,

PAST JUNIOR GRAND DEACON,

WHO DIED AT NEWCASTLE,

1st Day of September, A. D., 1879.

"Life's labor done,
Serenely to his final rest he passed,
While the soft memories of his virtues yet
Linger, like sunlight hues, when
That bright orb has set."

In Memory of

MOST WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Hon. Daniel B. Bruen,

PAST GRAND MASTER OF NEW JERSEY,

AND

**REPRESENTATIVE OF THE GRAND LODGE OF NEW BRUNS.
WICK AT THE GRAND LODGE OF NEW JERSEY.**

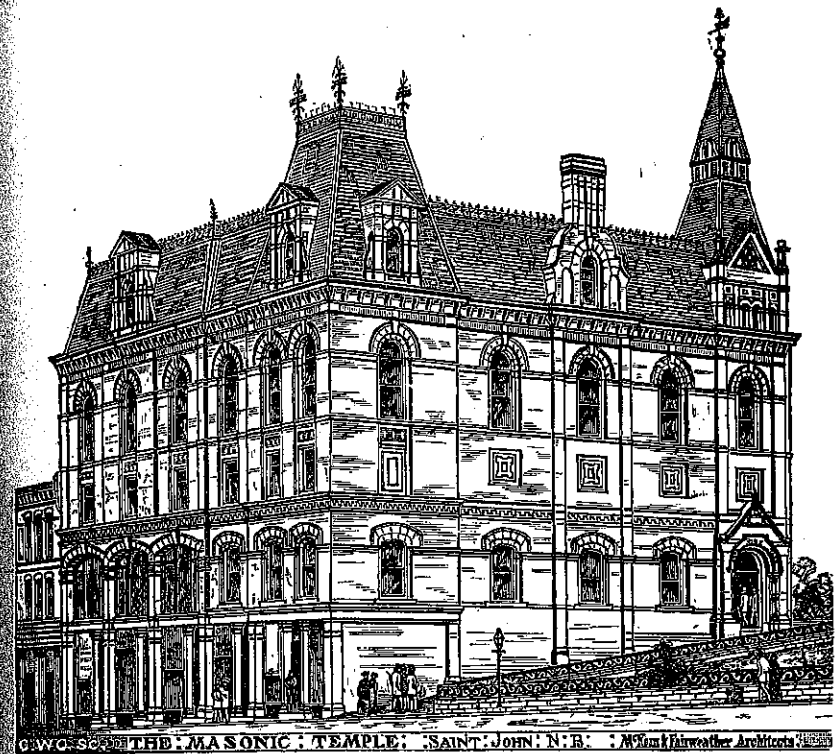
WHO DIED A. D., 1879.

"Bro. Bruen was an old and venerable mason who, though eighty-five years of age, never ceased from his labor until the gavel fell which summoned him to his final rest. * * * Honored as a soldier, as a citizen, as a mason, active in the discharge of every duty, there is much in such a well-spent life for us to emulate and to follow."

Grand Master's Address.

Masonic Temple, Saint John.

The following was published in the "Masonic Fair" of the 15th September last, and is re-published by order of grand lodge:—



The "Masonic Temple," erected by the Freemasons of Saint John, under an act of incorporation to a company styled "*The New Brunswick Masonic Hall Company*," of

which Robert Marshall, Esq., is President, and A. P. Rolph, Esq., is Secretary-Treasurer, is a splendid structure and a credit to the masonic fraternity of New Brunswick, as well as the city of Saint John.

The building and grounds when fully completed, will cost about \$80,000.00. It is anticipated that the building shall ultimately be owned by the grand lodge of the ancient and honorable fraternity of free and accepted masons of New Brunswick, and that the revenue derived from the five stores which are in the building shall go to swell the charity fund of the grand lodge, which shall be used for the relief of the widows and orphans of masons not only in St. John, but throughout the whole province of New Brunswick.

The following is a general description of the building. The lot upon which the building stands has a frontage on Germain street of 100 feet, and is 200 feet in depth. Trinity church lot, which is 100x400 feet, adjoins it to the south, and as the new church will stand about 100 feet back from the street line, and the south front of the temple stands 15 feet away from the line of the church property, the new building will always have the advantage of two fronts.

The building has a frontage on Germain street of 85 feet, and is set 15 feet away from the line of Trinity church property, leaving a passage to the entrance of the Masonic Hall, which is at the south-east corner of the building, and at the level of the second floor. The depth of the building is 90 feet. The ground floor is divided into five stores running from front to rear, with light and entrance from an area 10 feet wide at the rear; each store has a good cellar, with sink and W. C. Two of them are provided with fire-proof vaults, and the two northern stores have

warerooms over them. These three warerooms form a feature in the design of the second story, and are made to mark the business portion of the building from the masonic portion; the granite pillars dividing the stores are continued through the second floor, and three stone segmental arches are thrown across the openings, and each of the openings is filled in with three large and two small panes of plate glass. These arches form a division of the front of about 50 feet, which is marked by a break in the roof line and by a large central luthern window of stone and brick. Another division of the front is made on the south-west corner; this is 22 feet wide and is returned 22 feet on the south, and is finished with a pavilion roof 23 feet high, with a luthern window on each side and with a deck 11 feet square with an ornamental iron cresting.

The southern front has a projection in the middle which terminates in an ornamental chimney, the flues being carried on either side of the window lighting the space under the roof.

Another projection is made at the south-east corner of the building 17½ feet wide, which terminates above the roof with a triangular pediment, in which is carved the emblem of the square and compass in a circle, and on each side at the foot of the pediment is a pillar with a base and cap, and a globe above the cap. Above the pediment is a steep roof 14 feet 6 inches high, forming a square of 7 feet on which is a ventilator with a turret roof 17 feet high, finished with a copper gilt terminal.

The main entrance is at the corner of the building and is of freestone with polished red granite pillars carrying a moulded arch, on the face of which the motto "Audi Vide Tace" is carved, and in the pendiment over the arch is carved the arms of the grand lodge.

The second story has segmented arched windows on both fronts. Above the windows two moulded bands of stone carry round both fronts, and between the bands a pattern is formed of cream colored brick. The third story is a mezzanine floor, and is lighted on the street front by two square-headed windows. The windows lighting the fourth floor are circular-headed and are continuous with those of the third floor, being divided by a deep stone forming sill and lintell, in each of which stones are cut three shields to be carved with masonic emblems. The windows of the fourth floor are continued along the south front, but the place that the mezzanine floor windows occupy is filled in with square panels ornamented with cream colored bricks. All the windows have moulded stone heads and continuous moulded imposts.

The cornice is of stone with brackets; the mansard roof is slated; the deck roof, which pitches in to the centre of the building, is covered with pitch and gravel roofing.

The fronts are faced with best Philadelphia pressed brick. The main entrance is through a tiled vestibule, 14 feet square, which opens through an arch into a hall 28x29 feet, which is divided by segmental arches, supported on a red granite pillar with marble cap and base carved with emblems. Opening from this hall through arches is a passage 8 feet wide leading to the Grand Secretary's room, the library and two rooms, 17x19 feet and 35x19 feet, to be used in working the higher degrees. A large fire-proof vault is provided on this floor for the use of the craft, and at the back of this vault is placed the dressing room, W. C. etc.

The main staircase is seven feet wide, of an easy grade, and lands on the third floor in a hall 14 feet wide and 34 feet long. At the further end of this hall is the entrance

to the blue lodge or main room of the building. This room is entered through the usual ante-rooms, and is 64 feet long by 33 feet wide and 30 feet high, and is to be finished in a first class manner. On the opposite side of the hall is a room to be used by the Knights Templar. This room is 13½x42 feet and 30 feet high, and is also approached through the ante-rooms, and has two armories attached. The halls, armories and ante-rooms on this floor are ten feet high and form the mezzanine floor before mentioned.

On the fourth floor is a room for the royal arch chapters with ante-rooms attached. This room is 44 feet 6 inches long by 30 feet 6 inches wide and 20 feet high. On the opposite side of the hall on this floor is a room 33½x22½ feet and 20 feet high, to be used as a refectory or banquetting room; a projection is made in this room, the floor of which is 11 feet above the floor of the blue lodge, and which forms a recess in the west end of the blue lodge, in which will be placed the organ for the use of the lodges.

A large ventilating shaft is carried up through the building into which ventilating tubes will be led from the different rooms. The smoke flue from the furnace is carried up through this shaft, and the waste pipe from the W. C's., etc., is also carried up through it to the roof, forming at the same time rain water conductors. The building will be heated by steam, with fresh air led directly into the steam pipes where practicable.

The building reflects great credit upon the architects, Messrs. McKean & Fairweather, as well as upon the contractors, Messrs. Alexander Christie & Co. and Wm. L. Prince, Esq. The whole being done in a thoroughly workmanlike manner.

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