

GRAND LODGE.

E. J. Everett Elected Grand Master.

Grand Master's Report Shows Order in a Progressive Condition—Many Delegates Present.

The thirty-seventh communication of the Grand Lodge of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of New Brunswick was begun in Freemasons' Hall, Germain street, Tuesday afternoon at 2.30.

The following is the list of officers and members of the Grand Lodge present: A. I. Treuman, grand master, St. John's, No. 2; John V. Bell, past grand master, Carleton Place, No. 8; Thomas Walker, Albion, No. 1; J. Gordon Forbes, St. John's, No. 2; R. Malby, deputy grand master, Northumberland, No. 17; W. P. Wallace, Thomas A. Godson, P. D. G. M., Albion, No. 1; Alexander Burchill, P. D. G. M., Hillman, No. 6; Geo. F. Plinder, P. D. G. M., Sussex, No. 7; Geo. D. Ireland, grand secretary, Woodstock; Edwin J. Everett, grand treasurer; Twining Hart, grand secretary, Union Lodge of Portland, No. 10; Morrison, junior grand deacon, Zion, No. 21; H. S. Bridges, grand director of ceremonies, St. John's, No. 2; R. A. March, assistant grand director of ceremonies, Hampton; A. M. Rowan, grand sword bearer, grand standard bearer, Hibernia, No. 1; W. H. Ewing, grand organist, St. John's, No. 2; J. G. Knowlton, grand pursuivant; W. L. P. No. 20; Robert Clarke, grand Tyler, Hibernia, No. 8.

The following are the other members registered: R. S. Barker, John McKenzie, G. H. Harrison, W. A. D. Steven, A. McNichol, W. A. D. Steven, W. H. Sampson, Jarvis, Wilson, E. Duncanson, Allan Wilson, W. Smithers, C. K. Howard, Melvin Young, M. J. Steeves, M. E. Edwards, Geo. I. Baird, Geo. Coggin, S. Harrison, A. McRae, E. Caldwell, F. E. Danville, Chas. W. R. Smith, Schofield, Fred C. Jones, G. W. Wilson, Geo. Ackman, W. J. Cornfield, J. W. Hoyt, Geo. Harris, Jas. E. Stewart, A. D. Dodge, Geo. Gibson, E. L. Hagerman, W. C. Jenner, W. A. Porter, W. E. Raymond, John B. M. Baxter, A. H. Campbell, E. McLeod, D. D. Darrah, D. G. M., for P. E. I. Fairweather, Geo. W. Rottell, Chas. Wilson, Geo. D. Frost, R. Percy Dickson, A. R. Campbell, L. H. McAlpine, Henry Dunbrack, John Mullin.

The Supreme Grand Council of the Cryptic Rite of the Maritime Provinces and Quebec met on the evening of the 22nd and elected the following officers: W. A. D. Steven, M. P. Grand Master (re-elected); A. McNichol, D. G. M. for N. B.; D. Darrah, D. G. M. for P. E. I.; W. H. Whyte, D. G. M. for Quebec; W. M. Campbell, G. C. of W.; W. E. Wallace, Grand Treasurer; F. A. Godson, G. Recorder; G. G. Boyne, G. Sentinel; Jos. I. Phillips, Ins. Genl. for Quebec; E. McNeill, Ins. Genl. for P. E. I.; Peter Campbell, G. C. of C.; A. Burchill, G. G. of G.; A. Dodge, G. C. of C.; James F. Masters, G. M.; L. E. Wilson, G. M.; G. G. Boyne, G. Sentinel.

The credentials committee, consisting of D. Dearness, L. A. McAlpine, M. P., and Alex. H. Campbell, reported the constitutional number of lodges present. After the ordinary routine business had been disposed of, the Grand Master delivered his annual address in part as follows: Brethren of Grand Lodge—Another year has been added to the history of Freemasonry in New Brunswick, and once again the privilege is afforded me of most heartily welcoming you to our annual communication.

As citizens of one of the most important outlying portions of the great British Empire, we should rejoice that the year past has not been marked by any great disaster to that Empire or its people. While some of the nations have been engaged in war, with all its accompanying sorrow and misery, our Empire has, under the guidance of God, enjoyed the blessing of peace and prosperity.

As Freemasons, we have many reasons for gratitude to our Supreme Grand Master for the condition of the craft within the province, and for the cordial and fraternal relations which exist between us and other Grand Lodges. It is my privilege to report that the condition of Masonry in this province during the past year has been marked by a continuous and satisfactory growth, as well in the increase of its membership as in the improved character of its work.

our lodges are in a flourishing condition, and our craftsmen have not forgotten the good works of love and charity. The future of this Grand Lodge will be what we and our successors make it.

The address then refers to the members of the order who have died during the past year. To their surviving friends and relatives who are left to mourn their sad bereavement, the lodge tendered sincere and heartfelt sympathy. The deceased include: Daniel McGruar, a P. M. of Northumberland Lodge; John Thompson, a P. M. of Zion Lodge; Sussex; Wm. D. Hart, P. M., of St. Martin's Lodge; St. Andrews; Ananias McFarlane, P. M., of Sussex Lodge, No. 7, and an affiliate of Woodstock Lodge; S. B. Appleby, P. M. of Woodstock Lodge; and at one time representative of Carleton county in the Dominion parliament; Robt. B. Call, P. M., of Northumberland Lodge; and also the count of his death high sheriff of his county and Robert Marshall, P. M. of the Union Lodge of Portland, Past Grand Master, and at one time a representative of St. John in the province assembly.

The Grand Master recommended memorial pages in their honor in the published proceedings. He also referred to many distinguished deceased members of other jurisdictions. He stated that commissions had been issued by the Grand Lodge of Texas to Hugh H. McLean as its representative in New Brunswick; by the Grand Lodge of Italy to Edwin J. Everett in place of the late Robert Marshall; and to Frederick J. G. Knowlton by the Grand Lodge of South Carolina, in place of Benj. G. Black, who had left the Grand Lodge. The Grand Master had appointed William James Bower of Vancouver to represent the G. L. of New Brunswick in British Columbia, in place of William Downie, who had removed from that province to New Brunswick; Tandy A. Dunn of Bethany, in a like capacity near the G. L. of Missouri; Emil Tessen of Bethany, in a like capacity near the G. L. of Missouri; and Johannes Longo, a regular capacity near the G. L. of Saxony.

During the year the Grand Master has visited extensively the lodges in his jurisdiction. Two little journeys he pointed out, is done by grand masters. During Mr. Treuman's term of office, accompanied by one or more grand officers, he had visited every lodge in his jurisdiction at least once, and many of the lodges more frequently. On every occasion he found that their visitation was looked forward to with interest by the members of the lodge, and that the very effort was made to give them pleasure, and to be prepared to work a degree satisfactorily. He wished to thank the board of trustees for having placed in the proceedings of last year and this year, thus laid up on perpetual record, the faces of their esteemed Past Grand Masters William Wedderburn and John V. Bell, which he hoped the practice would be continued till all the portraits of past grand masters are available for future reference, and further suggested that a formal acknowledgment of the Grand Master's visitation be made by the Grand Master, Marshall, who had presented the Grand Lodge with the handsome apron of Grand Master worn by her late husband.

Continuing, Mr. Treuman said: "When I accepted the office to which you kindly elected me three years ago I did so with a full appreciation of the faith and great responsibilities that fall upon the shoulders of one who is elected to the office of Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, and also with a feeling of diffidence when I considered how many well-tried and prominent Masons have preceded me in this office. However, that the very success of the former grand masters was a guarantee to me that the true Masonic spirit prevailed, and that I would receive the aid and assistance of my brethren in the discharge of those duties and in the performance of those responsibilities. In this I made no mistake, for at the end of a term of three years I have made acquaintance with many of our brethren, and have received their support and their prayers for the success of my office. I desire to express my warm appreciation of the many courtesies which have been extended to me by my brethren during the term that I have had the honor of presiding over this grand body. I desire to thank the officers and members of Grand Lodge who have so often and so willingly assisted me in the performance of my duties. If my term of office has been marked by any growth or measure of service to the fraternity it is due to the officers and members who have given me a loyal support. I would specially mention our grand secretary, W. W. Twining Hart, who has performed his duties faithfully and to my entire satisfaction, but who has so willingly and generously responded to every request for advice and counsel. I would also like to call the attention of my brethren to the very valuable and continuous services rendered by the grand secretary to Grand Lodge, and in view of the time and labor required for the discharge of his duties I would strongly urge that the salary paid him be increased.

Brethren, give my successor the same cordial and generous support which you have given me and there need be no fear for the future of Grand Lodge. And now, brethren, let us enter upon the discharge of the duties which devolve upon us with the earnestness and devotion that our beloved institution demands, ever bearing in mind that the Supreme Grand Architect is watching over us. May His guiding hand so control us that whatever is done will result in promoting the honor and prosperity of the craft throughout the jurisdiction."

The address was referred to the proper committee for consideration and report.

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.

J. Twining Hart, grand secretary, next presented his annual report. The receipts of the office for the year just ended amount to two thousand one hundred and fifty-seven dollars and twenty-five cents, viz: Initiation and registration fees \$ 618 00 Dispositions, affiliations, etc. 78 60 Annual dues 1459 60 Total \$2157 25

The returns so far received show the following particulars: Initiated..... 144 Passed..... 148 Reinstated..... 13 Withdrawn..... 57 Suspended..... 31

A reference to the foregoing statement will show that the additions to the numerical strength of the respective lodges during the year were 161,

and the number who ceased to be members 106, making a net increase in the membership of 55.

By direction of the M. W. Grand Lodge, the following dispensations have been issued during the year, viz: To confer degrees at short intervals 10 To attend divine service..... 3 To install officers..... 2 To inter with Masonic honors..... 1

Commissions under the seal of Grand Lodge and by authority of the Grand Master have issued, appointing Grand Representatives near the following Sister Grand Lodges: Saxony—Bro. Johannes Longo, Dresden. British Columbia—R. W. W. J. Bower, K. C. Vancouver. Missouri—W. Bro. Tandy A. Dunn, Bethany. Hamburg—R. W. Bro. Emil Tessen, Hamburg.

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

The report of E. J. Everett, Grand Treasurer, showed that his total receipts during the year were \$2,157.25. He stated that commissions had been issued by the Grand Lodge of Texas to Hugh H. McLean as its representative in New Brunswick; by the Grand Lodge of Italy to Edwin J. Everett in place of the late Robert Marshall; and to Frederick J. G. Knowlton by the Grand Lodge of South Carolina, in place of Benj. G. Black, who had left the Grand Lodge. The Grand Master had appointed William James Bower of Vancouver to represent the G. L. of New Brunswick in British Columbia, in place of William Downie, who had removed from that province to New Brunswick; Tandy A. Dunn of Bethany, in a like capacity near the G. L. of Missouri; Emil Tessen of Bethany, in a like capacity near the G. L. of Missouri; and Johannes Longo, a regular capacity near the G. L. of Saxony.

In accordance with the board's resolution, an edition of 600 copies of the proceedings of 1903 was printed in much the usual form and distributed as has been the custom. An order for 250 parchment certificates was placed with the British American Bank Note Co. of Ottawa, and the same was filled in November last. The matters referred to the board by Grand Lodge at the last annual communication were four in number, viz: (1) That of trustees for subordinate lodges; (2) The proposed amendment to the constitution permitting of dual membership and its bearing upon the provisions of the constitution; (3) The matter of preparing and publishing a report on the proceedings of sister grand lodges; and (4) The procuring of regalia for the use of district deputy grand masters. The board has given to these matters due consideration, and reported its views.

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In reference to district deputy grand masters, the board has gone beyond the subject referred to it, namely, that it is also recommended that the status of these officers and their jurisdiction, and having done so respectfully advise that district deputy grand masters being appointed officers of Grand Lodge with full responsibility, should be given rank immediately preceding the senior grand deacon, with the title of "worshipful." The board also suggests that the style of the usual clothing, the collar and apron, of a grand officer, the emblem of office to be a square within a circle, suspended as in the case of other officers. In the meantime, under its presentation of the jewel may be worn on the apron. Past district deputy grand masters should be allowed rank immediately after the district deputy grand masters, and should wear the emblem of office pendant from the collar; if an emblem of the past rank be worn it should be in the square, and not in the form of an oval locket jewel and upon the left breast.

The board is of the opinion that, having regard to the limited general duties of the office in such a small jurisdiction as that of New Brunswick—the number of districts had better be reduced from five to three, and as the case now, no district deputy to be appointed for the district in which the deputy grand master resides. If Grand Lodge adopts these suggestions the matter of rearranging the districts might be left to the board, the grand secretary in the meantime, under its direction, to give notice of the necessary amendments to the constitution to carry them into effect at the next annual communication of Grand Lodge.

The audit committee, consisting of W. B. Wallace, W. A. Porter and D. Dearness, presented their report. At last night's session the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: E. J. Everett, G. M. R. S. Barker, D. G. M. Ralph Clark, Sr. G. W. Robt. Morrison, Jr. G. W. Rev. C. B. Knowlton, G. Treas. Rev. C. D. Schofield, G. Chap. Robt. Clarke, G. Tyler.

HON. GEO. E. FOSTER IN THE CITY.

An interesting talk on matters of Political Moment Here and Elsewhere.

Hon. George E. Foster, who is spending the summer at Apohaqui, Kings county, arrived in the city last Tuesday and was the guest of W. H. Thorne for the night. Mr. Foster is looking remarkably well after his two months' rest in the country. Last year was a busy one for him, but since his arrival at Apohaqui he has refrained from all business, and will leave for home Friday evening greatly benefited by his vacation. Mr. Foster is looking remarkably well after his two months' rest in the country. Last year was a busy one for him, but since his arrival at Apohaqui he has refrained from all business, and will leave for home Friday evening greatly benefited by his vacation.

THE GOVERNMENT'S CHANCES.

Looking at the question from both sides it is difficult to say what advantage the government would gain by having the election this autumn, but without doubt their chances were better now than they would be a year hence. Mr. Foster is looking remarkably well after his two months' rest in the country. Last year was a busy one for him, but since his arrival at Apohaqui he has refrained from all business, and will leave for home Friday evening greatly benefited by his vacation.

INDIANS EMPLOYED IN Sardine Canning Factory at Eastport.

They Are Found to be Quiet and Orderly—A Record Breaking Pack Last Week.

Eastport, Aug. 23.—The Passamaquoddy Indian is now an assured thing in the sardine canning factories of this city, and recently a number of the Indian maidens and young men of the tribe arrived here and had no difficulty in securing work in the canning plants.

THE DUNDONALD AFFAIR.

In reply to a question, Mr. Foster said that the Dundonald affair had caused a good deal of ill-feeling against the government. The deep thinking, sensible public, who have the treatment of the distinguished soldier and those who believe that party politics should be kept out of the militia, feel that Dundonald was not allowed to carry out his duties as a soldier and a citizen.

THE SITUATION IN ENGLAND.

Discussing the situation in British politics, Mr. Foster said that while it was true that many by-elections are going against the government, that fact could not be taken as an indication that Mr. Chamberlain's policy was not meeting with favor and gradually attaining a firm hold on the country.

BRIGGS DEFEATS WILLIAMS.

BANGOR, Me., Aug. 22.—Jimmy Briggs got the tabular over Ed Williams of Philadelphia in the fourth round of what was to have been a 12 round bout here tonight. Williams was outclassed and did not fight after the first round. Williams was saved by the gong in the third and knocked over the ropes early in the fourth, going down for a count of five, the police stopping the bout.

The education question, the army question, the Irish question and the war were matters that required not only great considerations, but also great responsibilities, which the government is held by the people. Although Mr. Chamberlain may not live to see it, the seeds he has sown are bound to grow, and his policy will be the policy of the British Empire.

GETTING MARRIED IN ST. JOHN.

It is Not Always a Simple Affair. Some Cases Where Loving Couples Ran Up Against Difficulties Which Worried Them.

Getting married in St. John is not always such an easy proposition as it often appears to be. Some people think they have, after making arrangements and getting a license, and getting the letter undertaking that complications sometimes arise, and there have been cases within a very short time where young couples who were anxious to be married found great difficulty in making the necessary arrangements.

MISS BOOTH.

TORONTO, Aug. 24.—The farewell itinerary is being arranged for Miss Booth, Salvation Army commissioner in Canada, before leaving the city for London. The dates so far arranged are: London, Sept. 15; Hamilton, Sept. 16; Montreal, Sept. 18 and 19; Kingston, Sept. 20. Visits to Ottawa, Winnipeg and St. John, N. B., will be in October. The council of the army, which meets in annual convention on November 22, will bid Miss Booth farewell on November 24.

COMMITTED SUICIDE.

William Conway, aged 40, who claimed to have been from New Brunswick, committed suicide in a stable at Claremont, N. H., yesterday by stabbing with a penknife. Conway was tall and smooth-shaven. He was a stranger in Claremont.

Orange Meat.

Save Your Coupons.



A Yard of flannel is still a yard after washed with Surprise Soap. Its pure hard Soap—that's why.

GETTING MARRIED IN ST. JOHN. Biggest Event of the Year at Readville.

Consuela S. Won the 2.10 Trot in 2.07 1-4, Taking the \$15,000 Purse.

Readville, Mass., Aug. 24.—Ten thousand people at the track today saw Consuela S. win the Massachusetts stake, the richest event on the harness track in five years.

It seldom happens that difficulty is experienced in the cases of Protestants, for Protestant clergymen exercise their own judgment in all such matters, and as a rule no sensible looking couple are ever turned away. But with those of the Catholic faith there is a difference, and the Catholics are unable to comply with these regulations as they are put in peculiar and uncomfortable predicaments.

This lady came to St. John from Chicago, and upon her arrival here, where both were absolute strangers, she was unable to find a clergyman, but after some hours of waiting, and announced that while they had seen several priests none of them would perform the ceremony.

Another case almost identical with this one is reported. This time the man came from New York and the lady from up river. They met with the same difficulty and were given the same advice, but it is not known how the incident ended. In this case the man was quite willing to be married by a Protestant clergyman, but the lady objected.

However, this is not the only way in which marriages are delayed. Only a short time ago a young man and a young woman went to the issue of licenses and enquired as to the cost of the document. They then made various calculations, which included the fee to the minister, which included the young man counted the money in his pocket. With a sigh he remarked to the girl that he would probably have to wait until the next Saturday.

It is not often that both parties to the marriage call on the issuer of licenses. The man usually goes, accompanied by a male friend, but quite often ladies drop in to make enquiries as to the requirements and charges.

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EURO, N. S. A. of visitors were year a seat in the conven. Rev. E. B. Boswell, Quebec, A. C. N. S. Rev. J. West, Ont.; Rev. Dr. Schuchter; Dr. Jas. L. Bealey, Mass.; strong, Sydney; Rev. Chas. R. McNeil, N. Y.; Rev. Dr. G. N. A. Shaw, each of the presidents of the convention. A communication from the Baptist Union and Ireland, which has been a very gratifying convention for its mission work in the report of the or of Acadia University the secretary, Dr. I. Smith. One hundred and thirty-two delegates received the degree of membership in the college of St. John's. The report of the or of Acadia University the secretary, Dr. I. Smith. One hundred and thirty-two delegates received the degree of membership in the college of St. John's.

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