

National Great Priory.

10th May, 1889.

AGENDA PAPER.

UPON the Great Prior taking the Throne,

The National Great Priory will be opened in ample form.

The Registrar will call the Muster Roll.

The Minutes of the last Great Priory Meeting will be read.

A Motion that the Minutes are correctly recorded will be made.

The Report of the Council will be read as follows:—

VERY HIGH AND EMINENT GREAT PRIOR,

Your Council has to report the resignation, in the month of March last, of the Honourable Sir Henry James Burford Burford-Hancock, the Provincial Prior of the Mediterranean, and, in the present month, of Colonel the Honourable Arthur Wellington Alexander Nelson Hood, K.C.T., the Provincial Prior of Somersetshire. You have been pleased to appoint, by Patent dated the 22nd April instant, the Provincial Sub-Prior, Colonel Marmaduke Ramsay, to be the Provincial Prior of the Mediterranean; and, by Patent dated the 24th April instant, Brigadier-General Alexander William Adair, Past Constable of Great Priory, to the command of the Province of Somersetshire.

It is with deep regret that your Council reports the death, on the 1st of April instant, at Colombo, on his return from Australia, whither he had gone for the benefit of his health, of General John Studholme Prownrigg, C.B., the Provincial Prior of Kent and Surrey. You have appointed as his successor in that office, by Patent dated the 23rd April instant, the Provincial Sub-Prior, Lieut.-Colonel George Henry John Haldane.

Your Council being of opinion that in the present day the qualification now necessary for Candidates for installation of being a Master Mason of two years' standing, operates injuriously to the interests of the Order, begs to propose and recommend that it be not required for the future, and that Sections 88 and 89 of the Great Priory Statutes be altered accordingly; and also that Section 123 be expunged, as then having no longer any meaning.

The Royal Plantagenet Preceptory, in the Province of East Anglia, in abeyance for several years, has received authority to remove from

Ipswich to Great Yarmouth, where its revival has been very successful, and promises well for the future.

The original Warrant of the Star of the East Preceptory, at Singapore, dated the 20th of December, 1866, having been lost, you have been pleased, on application, to grant a Warrant of Confirmation, dated the 22nd of February last.

The Mount Grace Preceptory at Stockton-on-Tees, in the Province of Northumberland, Berwick and Durham, whose affairs have been in great confusion for several years past, has been authorised to re-open, upon terms for payment of arrears of fees due, and it is hoped that the efforts made for its revival will be crowned with success.

You have been pleased, in pursuance of the recommendation of your Council in its Report to Great Priory in May, 1888, to grant a Centenary Warrant, dated the 27th of December, 1888, to the Jerusalem Preceptory, stationed at Manchester.

The Indian Government, having redeemed the Capital of the Oude and Rohilkund Railway Company, the £439, invested therein on account of the Benevolent Fund, was paid on on the 1st January last. The sum received by the Treasurer amounted to £564 3s. 9d. He, thereupon, invested that sum, and a further portion of the balance standing to the credit of the Benevolent Fund, in the purchase of £640, Canada 4 per Cent. Inscribed Stock, at the cost of £709 15s. 6d.

The attention of your Council having been drawn to a Charter of Institution and Protection in the Archives of the Order, dated the 11th day of March, 1807, granted by His Royal Highness Edward Duke of Kent and Strathearn, Most Eminent Grand Master and Commander of the Royal Order of Knights Templars of Jerusalem, to certain Members of the Order therein named, instituting and erecting them and their Successors in office to form and be The Grand and Royal Conclave of Knights Templars of Jerusalem; your Council, considering the interest and importance attaching thereto, begs to suggest that the Charter be printed in the Calendar for 1889-90, for the information of the Members of the Order, as also to preserve a lasting record of a document liable to injury or destruction by fire, or other accident.

The following Preceptories have not forwarded the Annual Returns and Dues for the year 1888, viz. :—

All Souls
 Lord of Avon and Drury Lane
 Godefroi de Bouillon
 (Staffordshire)
 Loyal Volunteers
 Melita

Pembroke
 Rothley Temple
 Royal Mysore Excelsior
 Royal Sussex
 St. John of Jerusalem (Madras)
 Union

The following Preceptories remain under suspension for default in forwarding Annual Returns and Dues, viz. :—

Egbert (6 years)
 Love and Friendship (6 years)
 Loyal Burmah (6 years)
 Jamaica (5 years)
 Royal Edward (5 years)
 Plantagenet (4 years)
 Royal Canterbury (4 years)

Royal Deccan (4 years)
 Tyrawly (4 years)
 De Tabley (3 years)
 Hinxman (3 years)
 Holy Rood (2 years)
 Sepulchre (1 year)
 Union, or Rougemont (1 year)

Your Council begs to recommend that a Grant from the Benevolent Fund of £10 be made to the Representatives of Sir Knight Colonel Clayton Scudamore Beauchamp, R.E., lately deceased.

The Treasurer's Accounts, after audit, show the following Balances, viz. :—

To the General Fund.....	£ 75 10 10
To the Benevolent Fund	£174 1 9
Total	<u>£249 12 7</u>

By Order of the Council,



FRED. A. PHILBRICK,
CHANCELLOR.

25th April, 1889.

Motions arising out of the Report will be made.

A Motion will be made that the Report be received and adopted.

The Great Prior will nominate and invest his Officers for the ensuing year.

The Treasurer will be elected.

The Members of the Council will be appointed and elected.

Three Members of the Grand Master's Council will be elected.

The Almoner will collect the Alms.

The National Great Priory will be closed in ample form.

A PRIORY OF THE ORDER OF MALTA will afterwards be held.

By Order,



W. TINKLER, K.C.T.,
VICE-CHANCELLOR.

The Calendars of the Order, issued after the Great Priory Meetings in May, and *the Reports of the December Meetings*, will be sent regularly by post to any Member of the Order, upon the annual payment in advance of TWO SHILLINGS, to the VICE-CHANCELLOR, 3 & 4, LINCOLN'S INN FIELDS, LONDON, W.C.

Copies of the Alphabetical List of Officers of the Grand Conclave and of Great Priory, from 1846 to 1888, can be obtained on application to the Vice-Chancellor, at 1s. 6d. each.

A B S T R A C T

The Treasurer in Account with the

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1888-89.	Benevolent Fund.		General Fund.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
To Balances as per former Account	235	17 5	55	0 2
Ditto in hands of Vice-Chancellor (Petty Cash)...			13	7 11
Interest on Bombay, &c., Stock			40	8 1
Do. New South Wales Stock			6	11 0
Do. Southern Mahratta Debenture Stock ...			13	12 5
Do. Oude, &c., Stock	21	18 8		
Do. South Indian Stock	24	7 6		
Do. Southern Mahratta Debenture Stock ...	9	14 7		
Oude, &c., Stock—Redemption of Capital ...	564	3 9		
Alms at Great Priory in May, 1888	2	8 3		
Do. do. Dec. ,,	2	9 3		
Warrants and Patents			54	2 2
Fees of Honour			14	3 6
Dispensations... ..			5	5 0
Statutes, Rituals, Reports and Lists of Officers sold			14	19 9
Installation Fees at Great Priory of Malta in May, 1888			5	5 0
Do. do. Dec. ,,			6	6 0
Fees for Registration and Certificates, with Annual Fees and Subscriptions to Benevolent Fund from the following Preceptories, viz. :—				
Abbey Chapter	2	1 0	6	6 0
Albert	0	17 0	2	2 6
All Souls'	1	5 0	4	6 0
Almas	0	14 0	2	16 0
Ancient Ebor			4	4 0
Ancient York	1	13 0	10	8 6
Antiquity	0	15 0	1	17 6
Ardvorlich	0	15 0	5	5 6
Ascalon	0	6 0	0	17 6
Baldwyn... ..	1	18 0	9	3 6
Bard of Avon and Drury Lane			3	10 6
Beauesant	0	13 0	0	1 0
Black Prince	0	12 0	5	3 6
Bladud	0	14 0	2	16 0
Cabbel	1	8 0	3	10 0
Celestial	0	10 0	1	7 6
Carried forward	878	0 3	292	16 6

OF ACCOUNTS.

Great Priory of England and Wales.

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1888-89.	Benevolent Fund.			General Fund.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Insurance of Regalia				2	10	0
Hire of Rooms and expenses of Meetings in 1888				30	9	3
Hire of Organ for Great Priory Meetings, Heralds, Equerries, and Attendants				7	19	0
Rent of Offices, Gas, Coals, and Cleaning ...				71	17	5
Expenses of Lease of new Offices in Lincoln's Inn Fields				5	4	0
Furniture and Repairs				13	0	0
Expenses attending removal of Offices (part) ...				6	8	8
Salary to Vice-Chancellor to December, 1888 ...				200	0	0
„ Assistant-Registrar				52	10	0
Clerks' Assistance in Office				5	1	4
Printing, Binding, and Stationery				91	12	10
Certificates, Rituals, &c.				40	7	9
Vote to Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for Girls	52	10	0			
Stamps and Postages				17	10	4½
Parcels and Sundries				5	3	1½
Purchase of £340 Canada 4% Inscribed Stock on account of Benevolent Fund	709	15	6			
Grant from Benevolent Fund, and Benevolence	25	5	0			
Carried forward	787	10	6	603	13	9

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	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	878	0	3	292	16	6
Ceylon	1	4	0	3	0	0
Cœur de Lion	3	7	0	10	9	6
Connaught and Strathearn	2	4	0	10	12	0
Coteswold	0	17	0	3	3	0
De Furnival	1	7	0	9	13	8
De Lacy	0	9	0	1	2	6
De Warenne	1	10	0	3	15	0
Diamond of the Desert	0	19	0	7	18	9
Faith (Yorkshire)	1	10	0	9	10	6
Faith (Lancashire)	0	13	0	3	2	6
Faith and Fidelity	1	13	0	4	2	0
Fearnley	0	13	0	2	0	0
Fidelity	1	9	0	8	7	0
Geofry de Bouillon (Scarboro')	1	2	0	2	15	0
Godefroi de Bouillon (Staffordshire)	0	11	0	1	7	6
Grosvenor	1	0	0	4	9	6
Gwent	1	13	0	5	18	6
Harcourt	0	14	0	1	15	0
Himalaya				2	2	0
Holy Sanctuary	0	16	0	3	1	0
Hope	0	12	0	1	12	6
Howe	1	2	0	6	3	0
Hugh de Payens	1	13	0	6	4	6
Hyde	0	14	0	4	18	0
Jacques de Molay (Lancashire)	0	15	0	5	3	0
Jerusalem	1	13	0	4	2	6
Kemeys Tynte	0	19	0	2	7	6
Loyal Ashton Volunteers	0	16	0	2	0	0
Loyal Brunswick	0	6	0	3	18	0
Lullingstone	0	13	0	2	13	6
Melita				6	16	6
Mount Olivary	1	6	0	5	7	0
Natalia	0	7	0	10	6	6
New Temple	0	16	0	2	2	6
Peabroke	1	5	0	6	18	0
Peray	1	14	0	9	0	8
Plains of Marce	0	14	0	1	15	0
Plains of Rama	0	10	0	2	6	0
Plains of Sabor	0	9	0	1	2	6
Prince Edward	0	9	0	1	2	6
Prince of Peace	1	2	0	2	15	0
Resamel	0	14	0	1	15	0
Richard de Vernon	1	11	0	7	3	0
Rose of Lancaster	1	1	0	4	10	0
Rothley Temple	0	16	0	4	4	6
Royal Gloucester	1	13	0	4	5	0
Royal Kent (Newcastle)	4	15	0	17	5	0
Royal Mysore Excelsior	1	0	0	2	10	0
Royal Naval	0	18	0	6	19	6
Royal Plantagenet				8	8	0
Royal Sussex	1	9	0	5	4	0
Royal Veterans	1	4	0	9	16	6
Royds	1	7	0	3	7	6
Carried forward	936	7	3	555	5	11

						Cr.			
				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
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	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward	936	7	3	555	5	11
Shadwell Clerke	1	5	0	6	5	6
St. Amand	0	18	0	2	5	0
St. Cuthberts	1	17	0	10	8	0
St. George's (London)	1	2	0	3	18	0
St. James of Jerusalem	1	4	0	5	2	0
St. John of Jerusalem (Lancashire)	0	4	0	0	10	0
St. Joseph	1	8	0	4	11	0
St. Michael	0	16	0	2	0	0
St. Salem	0	13	0	1	10	0
Star of the East				13	2	6
Star of the West	0	17	0	2	3	6
Stuart	1	3	0	2	7	6
Studholme	2	15	0	8	19	6
Sussex	0	16	0	2	0	0
Tancred	0	15	0	1	5	0
Temple Bruer	0	11	0	1	7	6
Temple Crossing	1	6	0	4	8	6
Trinity in Unity	1	10	0	5	3	6
United	1	0	0	2	10	0
Vasco de Gama	0	13	0	1	12	6
Victoria	1	8	0	23	9	0
Victoria Jubilee	0	11	0	5	14	6
William de la More	0	14	0	1	15	0
William Stuart				3	3	0
Worlebury	1	4	0	4	1	0
Wulfruna	1	0	0	2	10	0
Provincial Priory of Lancashire				6	6	0
	961	12	3	685	4	5
				961	12	3
				£1646	16	8

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	£	s.	d.	Cr.	£	s.	d.
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Balance General Fund	787	10	6	603	13	9	
„ Benevolent Fund				75	10	10	
„ in hands of Vice-Chancellor (Petty Cash) ...	174	1	9				
				5	19	10	
	961	12	3	685	4	5	
				961	12	3	
				<u>£1646</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>8</u>	

Examined and compared with the Vouchers, and found correct,
25th April, 1889.

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G. HALDANE, SUB-MARSHAL.