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SIXTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

HELD AT THE CITIES
of

FORT WILLIAM
AND
PORT ARTHUR
ONTARIO

JULY 19th, A.D. 1922, A.L. 5922



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Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

PROCEEDINGS

At an Especial Communication of Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, held at the City of Hamilton, on Wednesday, May 31st, A.D., 1922, A.L. 5922.

There were present:

M. W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton.....	Grand Master
R. W. Bro. W. J. Drope.....	Deputy Grand Master
R. W. Bro. F. J. Howell.....	as Grand Senior Warden
R. W. Bro. W. R. Madill.....	as Grand Junior Warden
R. W. Bro. F. E. Howitt.....	as Grand Chaplain
M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone.....	Grand Treasurer
R. W. Bro. W. M. Logan.....	Grand Secretary
W. Bro. The Right Rev. Wm. Clark.....	as Grand Registrar
V. W. Bro. W. H. Davis.....	Grand Senior Deacon
V. W. Bro. G. S. Pearey.....	Grand Junior Deacon
V. W. Bro. J. Pearson.....	as Grand Director of Ceremonies
R. W. Bro. R. H. Foster.....	as Grand Sword Bearer
W. Bro. W. H. Ginder.....	as Grand Supt. of Works
V. W. Bro. R. C. Ripley.....	as Asst. Grand Director of Ceremonies
V. W. Bro. W. J. Attig.....	as Asst. Grand Secretary
W. Bro. W. C. Breckenridge.....	as Grand Organist
W. Bro. F. J. Maw.....	as Grand Pursuivant
R. W. Bro. L. G. Jarvis.....	as Standard Bearer
W. Bro. L. F. Stephens.....	as Asst. Grand Organist
W. Bro. D. W. Evans.....	as Grand Standard Bearer
W. Bro. H. Graham.....	as Grand Tyler

Grand Stewards.

W. Bro. Jas. Gill, J. H. Leach, J. W. Sutherland, F. R. Martin, J. E. Riddell, R. B. Cheyne, Thos. Booker, G. C. Martin, H. W. Linton J. J. Evel, D. G. Shearer.

The Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at 3 o'clock p.m. by the M.W. the Grand Master, who announced that this Especial Communication of Grand Lodge had been called to assist him in laying the corner stone of the new Scottish Rite Temple.

The brethren acting as Grand Lodge officers, having received the necessary directions, Grand Lodge was called off, when a procession was formed under the direction of the Grand Director of Ceremonies and marched to the site in the prescribed order, taking up their proper positions at the northeast corner of the building.

The Grand Chaplain then invoked a blessing and the Grand Superintendent of Works read the following scroll and deposited it in the cavity in the stone.

IN THE NAME AND BY THE FAVOR OF THE
GREAT ARCHITECT OF THIS UNIVERSE

On the thirty-first day of May A.D., 1922, A.L. 5922, in the Thirteenth year of the reign of our Most Gracious Sovereign

GEORGE V.

By the grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the seas, KING, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

His Excellency, Lord Byng, of Vimy, being Governor-General of the Dominion of Canada.

The Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie King, C.M.G., being Premier of the Dominion of Canada.

His Honour Harry Cockshutt, Esq., being Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

The Hon. E. C. Drury being Premier of the Province of Ontario.

The Hon. T. J. Stewart being member for the Constituency of West Hamilton in the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada.

The Hon. S. C. Mewburn being member for the Constituency of East Hamilton in the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada.

Walter R. Rollo, Esq. being member for the Constituency of West Hamilton in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

G. G. Halcrow, Esq., being member for the Constituency of East Hamilton in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

G. C. Copley, Esq., being Mayor of the City of Hamilton.

THIS CORNER STONE

of the Scottish Rite Temple was laid by M.W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton, Grand Master, assisted by the Grand Lodge officers, in the presence of a large concourse of brethren and citizens of the City of Hamilton. R. W. Bro. Geo. Moore presented the Grand Master with a silver trowel as a memento of the occasion.

After which the Grand Master delivered a most eloquent address to the large assembly of brethren and other citizens present which was received with plaudits.

The Grand Treasurer deposited the phial containing coins, newspapers and other records in the cavity of the stone.

The acting Grand Wardens and the Deputy Grand Master applied the instruments of their office to the stone, after it had been placed in position, and announced that the Craftsmen had done their duty. The M.W. the Grand Master then consecrated the stone with corn, wine and oil and pronounced it well made, truly laid, well proven, true and trusty.

The procession was then reformed and the brethren returned to the lodge room, where Grand Lodge was closed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "W. W. Logan". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name of the Grand Secretary.

Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

PROCEEDINGS.

At an Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario held at the town of Simcoe, on Friday the Sixteenth day of June, A.D., 1922. A.L. 5922.

There were present:

M. W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton	Grand Master
R. W. Bro. J. S. Martin.....	as Deputy Grand Master
R. W. Bro. James Ross.....	as Grand Senior Warden
R. W. Bro. P. A. Sommerville.....	as Grand Junior Warden
W. Bro. A. B. Farney	as Grand Chaplain
W. Bro. Wm. Backhouse	as Grand Treasurer
R. W. Bro. Wm. M. Logan.....	Grand Secretary
W. Bro. S. King	as Grand Registrar
W. Bro. D. F. Aiken	as Grand Senior Deacon
W. Bro. W. J. Peters	as Grand Junior Deacon
W. Bro. A. W. Smith	as Grand Supt. of Works
Bro. F. J. Brown.....	as Asst. Grand Secretary
W. Bro. L. Kirkwood	as Grand Director of Ceremonies
W. Bro. L. F. Aiken	as Asst. Grand Director of Ceremonies
W. Bro. J. H. Shaw.....	as Grand Sword Bearer
W. Bro. A. B. Jackson	as Grand Organist
W. Bro. A. J. Peachey	as Asst. Grand Organist
W. Bro. R. E. Gunton	as Grand Pursuivant

as Grand Stewards

W. Bros. G. H. Luscombe, J. J. Gilbertson, C. Mitchell, G. Woodley, H. Dimond, W. M. McGuire, C. W. Stewart, A. McIntosh, C. R. Estes, S. L. Krompart, A. Lisk, J. S. Boyd.

as Grand Standard Bearers.

W. Bros. O. E. Clark, R. M. Hamilton

as Grand Tyler

W. Bro. J. J. Anderson

Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at one o'clock p.m. by the M.W. the Grand Master, who announced that this Especial Communication of Grand Lodge had been called to assist him in unveiling a monument erected by Grand Lodge to the memory of M.W. Bro. William Mercer Wilson, the first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The officers, having received the necessary instructions, Grand Lodge was called off, and the brethren immediately proceeded to the burial ground of St. John's Church, about three miles from Simcoe, where the monument had been set up. Beside the officers above mentioned, many other distinguished members of Grand Lodge were present, among them being M.W. Bro. W. R. White, R.W. Bros. Geo. Naylor, R. B. Hutt, H. A. Johnson, W. I. Atkin and J. R. Waddle, P.D.D.G.Ms. of Wilson District No. 6.

When the brethren assembled at the monument after a few introductory words by the Grand Master, a hymn was sung by the choir and an invocation was made by the acting Grand Chaplain; then M.W. Bro. W. R. White unveiled the monumental stone, and addresses were delivered by the M.W. the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. White, R.W. Bros. J. S. Martin, R. B. Hutt, W. Bro. Dr. McIntosh, W. Bro. O. E. Clark and others. The Grand Secretary planted a maple tree near the monument as a memento of the occasion.

The brethren then returned to the lodge room. A formal vote of thanks was carried to the committee which had been appointed by Grand Lodge to secure the stone and make all arrangements.

Grand Lodge was closed in ample form at four o'clock p.m.

W. M. LOGAN,
Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

PROCEEDINGS.

At the Sixty-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, held at the Cities of Fort William and Port Arthur, Ontario, commencing Wednesday, July 19th, A.D. 1922, A.L. 5922.

There were present:

THE GRAND MASTER

M.W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton on the Throne

THE DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

R.W. Bro. W. J. Drope

R. W. Bro. D. A. Esdale	Grand Senior Warden
R. W. Bro. M. P. McMaster.....	Grand Junior Warden
R. W. Bro. Rev. A. J. Bruce	Grand Chaplain
M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt.....	Acting Grand Treasurer
R. W. Bro. Wm. M. Logan.....	Grand Secretary
V. W. Bro. W. H. Davis	Grand Senior Deacon
V. W. Bro. G. S. Pearcy.....	Grand Junior Deacon
V. W. Bro. W. J. Attig.....	as Asst. Grand Secretary
V. W. Bro. George Brown.....	Grand Sword Bearer
V. W. Bro. D. J. Donaldson.....	Grand Pursuivant

Grand Stewards

V.W. Bros. Thos. Murphy, Robt. Syme, J. T. Foster, A. H. McKee, R. T. Stillman, D. Barragar, T. F. Milne, F. B. Allen, A. D. Cameron, J. Armstrong, F. H. Spence, J. D. Forrest, T. E. Dean, R. L. Bell, W. J. Ferguson, W. J. McNabb, N. B. Darrell, A. B. Evans, E. G. Hunt.

CHAIRMAN CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

R.W. Bro. J. B. Way

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

R.W. Bro. John Davidson	Erie District.....	No. 1
R.W. Bro. Jas. A. Ryckman	Erie District.....	No. 1a
R.W. Bro. Wm. R. Dawson.....	St. Clair District	No. 2
R.W. Bro. Wm. C. Moore	London District.....	No. 3
R.W. Bro. Isaac Hetherington	South Huron District.	No. 4

R. W. Bro. Thos. Blackmore.....	North Huron District.....	No. 5
R. W. Bro. H. C. Edgar	Wellington District.....	No. 7
R. W. Bro. Chas. E. Kelly.....	Hamilton District.....	No. 8
R. W. Bro. M. S. Keller.....	Georgian District.....	No. 9
R. W. Bro. J. C. Lymburner.....	Niagara District.....	No. 10
R. W. Bro. R. C. Dargavel.....	Toronto West District.....	No. 11
R. W. Bro. Geo. L. Gardiner.....	Toronto East District.....	No. 11A
R. W. Bro. J. H. Dunlop	Toronto Centre District.....	No. 11B
R. W. Bro. Jas. T. George.....	Ontario District.....	No. 12
R. W. Bro. M. K. Adams	Prince Edward District.....	No. 13
R. W. Bro. P. H. Burke	Frontenac District.....	No. 14
R. W. Bro. J. A. Fleming	St. Lawrence District.....	No. 15
R. W. Bro. M. R. McFarlane.....	Ottawa District.....	No. 16
R. W. Bro. J. W. Walker.....	Algoma District.....	No. 17
R. W. Bro. H. J. Moorehouse.....	Nipissing District.....	No. 18
R. W. Bro. T. J. Williams.....	Muskoka District.....	No. 19
R. W. Bro. A. E. Bottum	Victoria District.....	No. 20
R. W. Bro. D. A. McNaughton.....	Eastern District.....	No. 21
R. W. Bro. Robt. LeHeup	Temiskaming District.....	No. 22
R. W. Bro. Jas. McNeilly.....	Brant District.....	No. 23
R. W. Bro. J. F. Grant	Grey District.....	No. 25

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

GRAND LODGE OF

R. W. Bro. A. J. Young	Alberta
R. W. Bro. E. B. Brown.....	British Columbia
R. W. Bro. J. A. C. Anderson.....	New Brunswick
R. W. Bro. Thomas Rowe.....	Prince Edward Island
R. W. Bro. Thos. Shanks.....	Quebec
R. W. Bro. Lyman Lee.....	New South Wales
R. W. Bro. John Boyd.....	New Zealand
R. W. Bro. Geo. S. May.....	Queensland
M. W. Bro. J. H. Burritt.....	South Australia
M. W. Bro. Hon. W. D. McPherson	Victoria
R. W. Bro. Fred Symes.....	Arizona
R. W. Bro. Wm. M. Logan.....	Colorado
R. W. Bro. Geo. H. Smith.....	Connecticut
M. W. Bro. W. R. White.....	Georgia
R. W. Bro. R. F. Richardson	Idaho
R. W. Bro. J. B. Way.....	Maine
R. W. Bro. Geo. Naylor.....	Montana
M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt.....	Nebraska
R. W. Bro. John Hoodless.....	North Carolina
R. W. Bro. Geo. Moore.....	Ohio
R. W. Bro. J. F. Reid.....	Rhode Island
R. W. Bro. J. A. Rowland	South Dakota
R. W. Bro. A. J. Anderson.....	Tennessee
M. W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton	Texas
R. W. Bro. Henry Rush.....	Wisconsin
R. W. Bro. W. J. Drope.....	Peru
R. W. Bro. W. M. Ross.....	Philippine Islands

ADDRESSES OF WELCOME BY THE MAYORS OF THE CITIES OF FORT WILLIAM AND PORT ARTHUR.

Their Worships, Mayor Edmeston of Fort William and Mayor Matthews of Port Arthur were formally introduced by W.M. Bro. W. R. White, K.C., and addressed the Grand Master.

Fort William, Ont., July 19th, 1922.

To the Grand Master, Grand Officers, and
Visiting Grand Members of the Grand Lodge
of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Canada

Gentlemen:—

It affords me very great pleasure to express to you on behalf of the Citizens of Fort William, our kindest greetings and to extend to you a right hearty welcome to this, our City.

We, as a City, felt indeed honoured and gratified when we learned that the choice of place for your sixty-seventh Annual Convocation favoured the Head of the Lakes and we have long keenly anticipated your arrival.

Your arrival hereto-day is unique in the history of North Western Ontario and will, we fervently trust, be long remembered with expressions of goodwill by all our Citizens.

Your election to the highest positions of your Order within the gift of your brethren, distinguishes you as men among men and as such we honour you, whilst among your brethren here, (and Fort William counts four Blue Lodges with members from every representative walk in life) your coming will mark an epoch of which they may and will feel justly proud.

Your Standard, Masonry requires no defence. Its tenets and underlying principles, Brotherly love, Relief and Truth have ever counted for good amongst the greatest driving forces of Humanity and Civilization.

In conclusion, Gentlemen, I again officially welcome you to our City, wish you a successful session and a

most enjoyable visit. I trust that in tendering you, as I now do, the Freedom of the City of Fort William with all the ancient privileges, you may find that our hospitality means much more than the spoken word and that your sojourn in our midst will be pleasantly remembered.

NEWTON EDMESTON,

Mayor.

A. W. McNAUGHTON,

City Clerk.

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master,
and Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario),
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

We esteem it an honor to have the opportunity of extending Port Arthur's welcome to the Masonic Grand Lodge of Canada, meeting in Annual Convention during this week in the Cities of Port Arthur and Fort William.

We welcome you for your own sakes as the representative business and professional men of our beloved Province.

We also welcome you for the principles and policies for which your Ancient and Historic Order stands for the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man. Truth, Eternal Truth, is your Watchword, and your constant activities are an indication that "Vigilance is the price of Liberty." Another of your cardinal principles is "Peace" and "Constitutional Government"; not Peace at any Price, but World Peace with Honor, having in view equality of service and freedom of command, equal rights to all and special privileges to none.

Insofar as these ideals are practised by individual members of your Order, you are bound to prosper and expand and your influence will become pregnant with results, as we are living in an age which demands results as an estimate of value.

I understand that this is your 67th Annual Convention. What a record! and what an opportunity of serving humanity—in laying foundations and solving local and world problems.

I sincerely trust that all your deliberations may be harmonious and enure to the benefit of your Order, individually and collectively.

Your organization is old, strong, and powerful, but I would venture the suggestion that a chain is no stronger than its weakest link and that the strength and influence of any Organization depends almost altogether on the consistency of the life of the individual unit.

We welcome you to our Cities with our 36 miles of harbor front and over 200,000 h.p. of electrical energy, over one-third of which is already harnessed and awaiting the application of industry.

Our Grain Elevators lead the world in size and appointments, with over 60,000,000 bushels storage capacity.

Our Shipbuilding Plant and Car Works and Pulp and Paper Mills and our Grain Exchange will be of interest to your business and professional men, and, as we turn from the material structures, we are attracted to the Churches and Schools, the Parks and Playgrounds and beautiful homes, which are calculated to develop the spiritual as well as the physical side of our being.

Port Arthur and Fort William are situated midway between the Atlantic and the Pacific and we believe are placed here in order that we may interpret the temperament of the West to the East and the East to the West in order that there may be no cleavage, but one united Canada. The whole world is passing through a crisis and if Canada is going to have a place among the Nations of the World, there must be the closest co-operation and unity among all classes and sections of our Country.

We open our hearts and throw open our homes to your Delegates and have pleasure in handing you the Key of our City with all its privileges and blessings, and again we say, "Welcome, thrice Welcome" to our Lake Cities.

On behalf of the City of Port Arthur,
 J. L. MATTHEWS,
 Mayor.

Port Arthur, Ont., July 19, 1922.

The M.W. the Grand Master replied briefly, expressing his appreciation of the courteous welcome and the deputation retired.

FIRST DAY.

GRAND LODGE OPENED.

A constitutional number of lodges being represented Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and the Grand Chaplain asked the blessing of the G.A.O.T.U. upon the proceedings.

The M. W. the Grand Master gave permission to all Master Masons in good standing to enter and occupy the side seats.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, Wardens and Members of Grand Lodge.

Your Committee on Credentials beg to report as follows:—

There are on the register of the Grand Lodge 522 warranted Lodges, of which number 25 have been granted their warrants at this communication.

Represented at this communication:

By Regular officers.....	224
By proxies.....	89
By Past Masters.....	27
Total number represented.....	340
Total number registered	648
having at total vote of.....	1300

Fraternally submitted,

J. B. WAY,
Chairman.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. W. J. Drope seconded by R.W. Bro. J. B. Way and

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on Credentials be received and adopted.

Following are the names of those present:

No. 2, Niagara, Niagara-on-the-Lake. W. Bro. T. M. Ferguson, P.M.

No. 3 Ancient St. John's, Kingston. W. Bro. E. Hamilton, W.M., R. W. Bro. P. H. Burke, W. Bro. I. C. Martin, P.Ms.

No. 5, Sussex, Brockville. W. Bro. C. W. McLean, W.M.

No. 6, Barton, Hamilton. R.W. Bro. Geo. Moore, Proxy. V.W. Bro. W. H. Davis, W. Bro. J. A. Locheed, P.M's.

No. 7, Union, Grimsby. W. Bro. C. W. F. Carpenter, W.M. R.W. Bro. W. J. Drope, W. Bro. D. Clark, P.M's.

No. 9, Union, Napanee. W. Bro. O. S. Reddick, W.M. R.W. Bro. W. S. Herrington, P.M.

No. 10, Norfolk, Simcoe, W. Bro. O. E. Clark, W.M.

No. 11, Moira, Belleville. W. Bro. W. G. Swayne, W.M. Bro. A. J. Boyes, S.W., W. Bros. A. L. Lott, J. W. Barlow, P.M's.

No. 15, St. George's, St. Catharines. W. Bro. W. P. Holmes, P.M. and Proxy.

No. 16, St. Andrew's, Toronto. W. Bro. J. S. A. Whealy, W.M. R. W. Bro. Rev. G. H. Purchase, V.W. Bros. John Pearson, Wm. Lawrence, P.M's.

No. 17, St. John's, Cobourg. W. Bro. M. A. Hewson, W.M.

No. 18, Prince Edward, Picton. R. W. Bro. M. K. Adams, P. M. and Proxy.

No. 20, St. John's, London. W. Bro. B. B. Hookway, P.M. and Proxy. R. W. Bro. Thos Rowe, P.M.

No. 21a, St. John's, Vankleek Hill. W. Bro. C. H. Reasbeck, W.M. W. Bro. A. D. McRae, P.M.

No. 23, Richmond, Richmond Hill. R.W. Bro. J. H. Dunlop, P. M. and Proxy.

No. 24, St. Francis, Smith's Falls. W. Bro. J. F. Grant, W.M. Bro. W. Hunter, J.W.

No. 25, Ionic, Toronto. R. W. Bro. E. B. Brown, P.M. and Proxy. M.W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, P.M.

No. 27, Strict Observance, Hamilton. R. W. Bro. Wm. M. Logan, P.M. and Proxy.

No. 28, Mount Zion, Kemptville. W. Bro. R. A. Patterson, P.M.

No. 29, United, Brighton. W. Bro. F. G. Harden, W.M.

No. 30, Composite, Whitby. W. Bro. Wm. Vanvalkenburg, P.M. and Proxy. R. W. Bro. G. W. P. Every, P.M.

No. 31, Jerusalem, Bowmanville. W. Bro. Frank Williams, W.M.

No. 37, King Hiram, Ingersoll. W. Bro. R. T. Pemberton, W.M.

- No. 38, Trent, Trenton.** W. Bro. W. R. McClung, W.M.
- No. 39, Mount Zion, Brooklin.** W. Bro. T. R. Price, W.M.
W. Bro. Jas. Moore, P.M.
- No. 40, St. John's, Hamilton.** V.W. Bro. J. F. Mercer, P.M. and
Proxy. R. W. Bros. P. A. Sommerville, W. M. Logan, P.M's.
- No. 41, St. George's, Kingsville.** W. Bro. F. J. Golden, W.M.
- No. 42, St. George's, London,** W. Bro. C. Linnell, W.M. R.
W. Bro. L. A. Boss, W. Bro. Robt. Syme, P.M's.
- No. 43, King Solomon's, Woodstock.** W. Bro. Chas. Blueman,
W.M. W. Bro. R. L. Revell, P.M.
- No. 44, St. Thomas, St. Thomas.** W. Bro. J. M. Sinclair, W.M.
W. Bro. T. L. Cochrane, P.M.
- No. 45, Brant, Brantford.** W. Bro. W. T. Millard, W.M. W.
Bro. G. H. Ryerson, P.M.
- No. 46, Wellington, Chatham.** W. Bro. J. L. Challoner, W.M.
R. W. Bro. John Davidson, W. Bro. C. E. Clements, P.M's.
- No. 47, Great Western, Windsor.** W. Bro. Wm. Thorburn.
W.M. Bro. R. B. Moore, S.W. Bro. Alex. Wright, J. W. R. W.
Bros. W. J. Douglas, J. F. Reid, P.M's.
- No. 52, Dalhousie, Ottawa.** W. Bro. C. T. Tilley, W.M.
R. W. Bro. Geo. S. May, P.M.
- No. 56, Victoria, Sarnia.** W. Bro. W. J. Bently, P.M. and
Proxy.
- No. 58, Doric, Ottawa.** W. Bro. J. W. McNabb, P.M.
- No. 61, Acacia, Hamilton.** W. Bro. D. G. Shearer, W.M. Bro.
Paul Dresback, S.W., R.W. Bros. Lyman Lee, C. E. Kelly, W. Bros.
W. D. Connor, S. A. Wait, H. W. Temple, Wm. Ostler, A. W.
Grainger, P.M's.
- No. 62, St. Andrew's, Caledonia.** R. W. Bro. Jas. McGregor,
P.M.
- No. 64, Kilwinning, London.** W. Bro. Thos. W. Copp, W.M.
- No. 65, Rehoboam, Toronto.** R.W. Bro. J. B. Nixon, P.M. and
Proxy. R.W. Bro. J. K. Bryden, P.M. W. Bro. A. H. Franks, P.M.
- No. 66, Durham, Newcastle.** W. Bro. J. E. W. Philp, P.M.
- No. 68, St. John's, Ingersoll.** W. Bro. S. P. Percival, W.M.
- No. 69, Stirling, Stirling.** R. W. Bro. J. McC. Potts, P.M. and
Proxy.
- No. 72, Alma, Galt.** W. Bro. Fred Couch, W.M.
- No. 73, St. James, St. Marys.** W. Bro. S. W. Adams, W.M.

No. 75, St. John's Toronto. W. Bro. J. C. Jeffery, W.M. W. Bros. R. R. Davis, Thos. Forsyth, P.M's.

No. 76, Oxford, Woodstock. W. Bro. A. W. Cole, W.M. W. Bro. J. G. Archibald, P.M.

No. 77, Faithful Brethren, Lindsay. W. Bro. F. C. Nugent, W.M. R.W. Bro. J. B. Begg, W. Bro. R. W. Groves, P.M's.

No. 79, Simcoe, Bradford. W. Bro. O. M. Seim, W.M.

No. 81, St. John's Mount Brydges. W. Bro. Neil P. McGugan, W.M.

No. 82, St. John's Paris. R.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor, P.M.

No. 83, Beaver, Strathroy. W. Bro. D. J. Donaldson, P.M. and Proxy. R.W. Bro. R. F. Richardson, P.M.

No. 85, Wilson, Toronto. W. Bro. E. A. Lewis, P.M. and Proxy. V.W. Bro. Geo. Ross, P.M.

No. 87, Markham Union, Markham. R.W. Bro. G. A. M. Davison, P.M. and Proxy.

No. 88, St. George's, Owen Sound. W. Bro. P. T. Pilkey, W.M.

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- No. 513, **Corinthian, Hamilton.** W. Bro. V. K. Stalford, W.M. W. Bros. F. R. Martin, F. H. Nairn, J. W. Will, J. A. Lohead, P.M's.
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- No. 516, **Enterprise, Beachburg.** W. Bro. T. H. Collins, W.M.
- No. 518, **Sioux Lookout, Sioux Lookout.** W. Bro. W. T. Cameron, P.M. and Proxy.
- No. 520, **Coronati, Toronto.** W. Bro. Geo. H. Elson, W.M. W. Bros. J. A. Burry, P. J. Lee, P.M's.

- No. 521, Ontario, Windsor. W. Bro. J. A. Wickens, W.M. Bro. A. R. Graham, J. W., W. Bro. W. T. Turner, P.M.
- No. 522, Mount Sinai, Toronto. W. Bro. J. B. Danson, W.M.
- No. 523, Royal Arthur, Peterborough. W. Bro. G. W. Haley, W.M.
- No. 524, Mississauga, Port Credit. R.W. Bro. Geo. H. Smith, P.M. and Proxy.
- No. 525, Temple, Toronto. W. Bro. Geo. E. May, W.M. W. Bro. F. G. I. Whetter, P.M.
- No. 526, Ionic, Westboro. W. Bro. P. E. Watters, W.M. W. Bro. H. A. Crain, P.M.
- No. 527, Espanola, Espanola. R.W. Bro. LeBaron Dibblee, P.M. and Proxy.
- No. 528, Golden Beaver, Timmins. W. Bro. B. E. Martin, W.M.
- No. 531, High Park, Toronto. W. Bro. T. W. Heron, W.M. W. Bros. F. C. Becker, E. J. Repath, P.M.'s.
- No. 532, Canada, Toronto. W. Bro. G. H. Creber, W.M. Bro. H. A. Miller, J.W., W. Bro. F. A. Gibbons, P.M.
- No. 533, Shamrock, Toronto. W. Bro. A. W. Allingham, W.M.
- No. 534, Englehart, Englehart. W. Bro. J. C. Johnston, W.M.
- No. 535, Phoenix, Fonthill. W. Bro. A. B. Damude, P.M. and Proxy.
- No. 537, Ulster, Toronto. W. Bro. T. H. Wilson, W.M. W. Bro. T. A. Murphy, P.M.
- No. 538, Earl Kitchener, Port McNicoll. W. Bro. A. Gallagher, W.M.
- No. 539, Waterloo, Waterloo. W. Bro. A. Bechtel, P.M. and Proxy, W. Bro. C. O. Hemphill, P.M.
- No. 540, Abitibi, Iroquois Falls. W. Bro. A. J. Hodgson, W.M. V.W. Bro. F. K. Ebbitt, W. Bro. G. S. Code, P.M.'s.
- No. 541, Tuscan, Toronto. W. Bro. W. H. Stirling, W.M. R.W. Bro. John Boyd, W. Bros. A. A. Gray, L. E. Lane, P.M.'s.
- No. 542, Metropolitan, Toronto. R.W. Bro. J. A. Rowland, P.M. and Proxy. R.W. Bro. E. A. James, P.M.
- No. 543, Imperial, Toronto. W. Bro. A. G. Carscadden, W.M. W. Bros. R. H. Dee, P.M.
- No. 545, John Ross Robertson, Toronto. W. Bro. A. E. Stone, P.M. and Proxy. W. Bro. A. M. Heron.

No. 546, **Talbot, St. Thomas.** W. Bro. H. E. McDonald, W.M.
R.W. Bro. J. A. Ryckman, P.M.

No. 547, **Victory, Toronto.** W. Bro. A. Evans, W.M. R.W.
Bro. A. J. Brown, W. Bro. G. H. Armstrong, P.M's.

No. 548, **General Mercer, Toronto.** W. Bro. R. B. Paterson,
W.M. R.W. Bros. A. J. Anderson, R. B. Dargavel, P.M's.

No. 549, **Ionic, Hamilton.** W. Bro. A. J. Lainchbury, W.M.
W. Bro. S. A. Wait, P.M.

No. 550, **Buchanan, Hamilton.** W. Bro. D. A. Gallagher, W.M.

No. 551, **Tuscan, Hamilton.** W. Bro. J. E. Clegg, W.M.

No. 552, **Queen City, Toronto.** W. Bro. G. Carey, W.M.
W. Bro. F. A. Gibbons, P.M.

No. 553, **Oakwood, Toronto.** W. Bro. W. M. Maltby, W.M.

No. 554, **Border Cities, Windsor.** W. Bro. B. R. McKenzie,
W.M. Bro. J. Wettlaufer, J.W., W. Bro. E. T. Howe, P.M.

No. 555, **Wardrope, Hamilton.** W. Bro. F. T. Richardson,
W.M. V.W. Bro. W. J. Attig, W. Bros. John Forth, J. W. West,
A. E. Wilcox, P.M's.

No. 557, **Finch, Finch.** R.W. Bro. D. A. McNaughton, P.M.
and Proxy.

No. 558, **Sidney Albert Luke, Ottawa.** R.W. Bro. W. M. Ross,
P.M. and Proxy.

No. 559, **Palestine, Toronto.** W. Bro. E. Fellman, W.M. W.
Bro. E. J. Repath, P.M.

No. 560, **St. Andrew's, Ottawa.** W. Bro. J. A. Donnell, W.M.

No. 561, **Acacia, Westboro.** W. Bro. M. M. Cummings, W.M.

No. 562, **Hamilton, Hamilton.** W. Bro. W. J. Hallett, W.M.
Bro. F. J. Brown, S.W.

No. 563, **Victory, Chatham.** W. Bros. C. E. Clement, T. M.
Ferguson, P.M's.

No. 564, **Ashlar, Ottawa.** W. Bro. R. Ingram, W.M. R.W.
Bro. D. A. Esdale, P.M.

No. 565, **Kilwinning, Toronto.** W. Bro. Alex. Hain, W.M.
R.W. Bro. R. B. Dargavel, W. Bro. Thos. Forsyth, P.M's.

No. 566, **King Hiram, Toronto.** W. Bro. F. G. Adams, W.M.

No. 567, **St. Aidan's, Toronto.** R.W. Bros. Geo. L. Gardiner,
P.M. and Proxy. W. Bros. S. G. Wharin, T. A. Murphy, P.M's.

No. 568, **Hullett, Londesboro.** W. Bro. Thos. Sampson, W.M.

No. 570, Dufferin, Toronto. W. Bro. T. A. Carson, W.M. R. W. Bro. T. Barber, P.M.

No. 571, Antiquity, Toronto. W. Bro. W. J. Armstrong, W.M.

No. 572, Mizpah, Toronto. W. Bro. T. J. Bennett, W.M.

No. 573, Adoniram, Niagara Falls. W. Bro. C. H. Stringer, W.M.

No. 575, Fidelity, Toronto. R.W. Bro. Rev. G. H. Purchase, P.M.

No. 576, Mimosa, Toronto. W. Bro. A. M. Heron, P.M. and Proxy. W. Bro. R. H. Reynolds, P.M.

No. 577, St. Clair, Toronto. W. Bro. F. G. I. Whetter, W.M. W. Bro. L. E. Lane, P.M.

No. 579, Harmony, Windsor. W. Bro. C. R. Tuson, W.M. Bro. A. F. Brain, S.W.

No. 580, Acacia, London. W. Bro. E. M. Fremlin, W.M.

No. 581, Harcourt, Toronto. Bro. R. Wherry, J.W., R.W. Bro. G. H. Smith, P.M.

No. 582, Sunnyside, Toronto. W. Bro. R. H. Dee, W.M.

No. 583, Transportation, Toronto. R.W. Bro. John Boyd, W.M.

No. 584, Kaministiquia, Fort William. Bro. C. W. Grandy, J.W., R.W. Bro. Fred Symes, W. Bros. S. C. Read, G. E. Ewing, N. M. W. J. McKenzie, H. Faulkner, P.M.'s.

No. 585, Royal Edward, Kingston. Bro. W. A. Bearance, J.W.

No. 586, War Veterans, Toronto. W. Bro. Geo. Ross, W.M.

No. 587, Patricia, Toronto. W. Bro. M. F. Smeall, W.M.

No. 588, National, Capreol. W. Bro. A. H. Cavanagh, W.M.

No. 589, Grey, Toronto. W. Bro. G. H. Armstrong, W.M.

No. 590, Defenders, Ottawa. W. Bro. W. C. N. Marriott, W.M.

No. 591, Northgate, Toronto. W. Bro. John Cooke, W.M.

No. 592, Fairbank, Toronto. W. Bro. J. T. Watson, W.M.

No. 593, St. Andrew's, Hamilton. W. Bro. Donald Munro, W.M.

No. 594, Hillcrest, Hamilton. R.W. Bro. W. R. Madill, P.M.

No. 598, Dominion, Windsor. W. Bro. H. W. Wilson, W.M.

No. 600, Maple Leaf, Toronto. W. Bro. J. A. Cooper, W.M. R.W. Bro. H. T. Smith, P.M.

No. 602, Hugh Murray, Hamilton. W. Bro. A. Lavis, W.M.
W. Bro. J. H. Leach, P.M.

No. 604, Palace, Windsor. W. Bro. F. B. B. Patten, W.M.

No. 606, Unity, Toronto. W. Bro. E. J. Repath, W.M.

No. 607, Golden Fleece, Toronto. W. Bro. A. E. Stone, W.M.

ADDRESS FROM LOCAL LODGES

The Worshipful Masters of the four lodges of Fort William and the two of Port Arthur were then introduced by M.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson and presented an address in which they expressed in eloquent terms the delight of the local brethren in having with them the Grand Master and his Officers. They emphasized the feeling of loyalty which all the brethren of the Twin Cities entertained for the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, predicted a happy result from the visit of Grand Lodge to the West, and expressed their hope for a successful and pleasant meeting, and their sincere prayers that the deliberations of the Grand Lodge would be conducted well and wisely, for the glory of God and the good of the Craft.

The M.W. the Grand Master expressed the thanks of himself and the members of Grand Lodge for the kind wishes and genial welcome of the brethren of the Twin Cities. The warm reception and unremitting attention on the part of the local brethren had won the admiration and gratitude of the visitors and nothing seemed to have been left undone to make the meeting most successful and most enjoyable.

RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

M.W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt introduced in fitting terms M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor, Grand Secretary and Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, and after him the following distinguished brethren were formally presented: M.W. Bro. Walter L. Stockwell, Grand Secretary and Past Grand Master of North Dakota by M.W. Bro. W. R. White; M.W. Bro. Rev. Andrew B. Baird, D.D., Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and M.W. Bro. James A. Ovas, Grand Secretary and Past Grand Master of the Grand

Lodge of Manitoba, by R.W. Bro. E. B. Brown; and M.W. Bro. Herman Held, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota by M.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson. The notable visitors were welcomed separately and jointly by the M.W. the Grand Master, who voiced the delight of the brethren of Canada in having with them these distinguished members of the Craft. He declared his intention of calling upon all the illustrious guests at a more public meeting to be held that evening in the Orpheum Theatre and for that reason he would ask only one to respond at the present time, the Grand Master of the Province of Manitoba. The M.W. Brethren were then accorded the fitting Grand Honours, after which M.W. Bro. Baird briefly expressed his gratification at being present. Speaking both for himself and the other visitors he noted with pleasure the unbroken friendly relations between their respective Grand Lodges and bespoke a long continuance of the same. His own personal enjoyment was enhanced by the presence with him of so many of his old time friends and class-mates.

RECEPTION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The roll of Grand Representatives of Foreign Grand Lodges near this Grand Lodge were then called by the Grand Secretary. They were welcomed by the Grand Master and were accorded Grand Honours.

The Rules of Order were then read by the Grand Secretary, who then began to read the minutes of the proceedings of the last Annual Communication when it was moved by R.W. Bro. W. J. Drope, seconded by M.W. Bro. J. H. Burritt, and Resolved, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of Grand Lodge at the Sixty-sixth Annual Communication held at the City of Ottawa on the 20th and 21st days of July, 1921, having been printed and copies thereof having been distributed to the constituent lodges, the same be taken as read and they be now confirmed.

LETTERS OF REGRET.

Letters were read from the following brethren, expressing their regret at being unable to attend the communication of this Grand Lodge: M.W. Bro. Alex

Sheppard, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan; M.W. Bro. Edwin A. Ripley, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota; M.W. Bro. G. M. Weir, Past Grand Master of Saskatchewan; M.W. Bro. Sir John M. Gibson, P.G.M.; R.W. Bros. F. D. Diamond, R. B. Hutt, S. S. Lazier and P. J. Scott. A cablegram from France was received conveying the greetings and good wishes of the Grand Treasurer, M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone.

ADDRESS OF THE M. W. THE THE GRAND MASTER.

The Grand Master then addressed the brethren as follows:—

My Brethren:

Again we reassemble for retrospect, reminiscence, refreshment, companionship and the laying of those administrative plans and designs essential for that fruitful future of good work which is only to be realized by the consultative forethought of men of good will who rally together in the trysting place and clearing house of the wise and gentle Craft. Thus do we preserve the continuity of tradition—the tradition that may change but does not break—and the purposeful progress and moral, material and spiritual adjustments of the brotherhood of solidarity who combine the real with the ideal—and enjoy and employ the world of now and of hereafter—light and delight—together. Let us then first of all as co-trustees of our great heritage, as co-partners in the **quest and conquest** of the best, look back with gratitude, look forward with expectancy, and invoke the guidance, and merit the approbation of Him to whom the shields of the earth belong. Under His Standards we can go forward in confidence and security (those great economic and mental factors), with our labour of love, of philanthropy and of service, as those who strive to be exemplars of strong, clean and resolute manhood—of staunch, stable, virile, generous and progressive citizenship—conscious of our collective power as a Fraternity 94,500 strong, but also conscious of our personal obligations and individual responsibility as units in a great orbit.

“A splendid past! a present that is bright!
 So let the Brotherhood take heart of grace,
 To guide its future in the path of right
 With truth and knowledge ever keeping pace.”

The magnetic lure of the **true North** has drawn us to two fair Cities founded side by side in a district full of infinite potentialities—the great distributing gateways of the Empire’s greatest granaries—the field of the cloth of gold and wheat—the living vital links that keep the touch between the solidly conservative East and the vigorously vibrant West. In close proximity to inexhaustible mines of industrial metals and precious minerals which when fully developed will pass the dreams of avarice—great ports on the great unsalted seas—but better still the dwelling places of as fine types of manhood, womanhood and childhood as can be found on this Continent, men and women of cheerful yesterdays and confident tomorrows, who call Port Arthur and Fort William home, and who declare to all who come within their hospitable portals and the aegis of their welcoming shelter, that here the West begins! Where does the West begin?—And with one accord these loyal patriots—made in duplicate in their Twin Cities—make reply in rhythmic duet together—Here!

“Here where the sky is a little bluer—
 Here where friendship’s a little truer—
 Here where the hand clasp’s a little stronger
 Here where the smile lasts a little longer—
 Where there’s more of giving and less of buying—
 Where there’s more of singing and less of sighing,
 And a man makes friends without half trying,
 Here’s where the West begins!”

But we beseech you Brethren—our children—to believe that since you left us the same spirit has come to Older Ontario “gaily to bourgeon and broadly to grow,” and that we share with you now the buoyant optimism, the genial good fellowship, the **kindling glow** that so eminently characterizes the North and West.

If we Masons of the radiant Anglo—Saxon Race realize ourselves in action, in fortitude, in fidelity, we will all, one and all, keep the windows open to the City of Light and look for the Gates of Morning, here in the

terrestrial of this our dear and blessed Country—as hereafter in the celestial—the great Grand Lodge above, all for each and each for all, with that **courage** so much needed in these days of complex problems which vex and perplex—each aspiring by God's grace to be a chivalrous knight in the arena of life.

“One who never turned his back but marched breast forward,
 Never doubted clouds would break,
 Never dreamed, tho' right were worsted, wrong would triumph,
 Held we fall to rise, are baffled to fight better,
 Sleep to wake”—

May the God of the Golden Rule on the Judgment Throne give us that faith which is belief in action—that action which is faith at work—creed and deed together merged, so that we may feel the grip and charm of our Craft—the union of those who love in the service of those who need. So mote it be! Many of us have come long distances to reach this Northern goal—but the way to a friend's home is never long—and I feel sure that with a zeal for work and a zest for play, all will return home well satisfied with good honest faithful work well done in perfect unanimity and concord in which we will all greatly rejoice.—North, South, East and West we converge here in this concentric circle, but the question is not by what road did you come—but **is your wheat good?** Do you measure up to the high grade of productivity? Are you weighed in the balance and not found wanting?

And what of our Stewardship? Have we been faithful rulers of this great Craft of 525 Lodges in this great Jurisdiction which is to be measured not by its immense area of almost half a million square miles but by the number of square men—men good and true—of the household of the faithful—whom it contains; not by the number of males and females the census enumerator may record, but by the public spirit, civic pride, good comradeship, ability, reliability and stability of its law-abiding citizenship. Have we been true to the trust you reposed in us? By our intercourse with you throughout the year and by our Reports now to be submitted to you, (but also always by the generous and considerate spirit

of the Craft), we will be judged. As your Grand Master—constantly in contact with all their activities, I can assure you I know of no Grand Lodge Officer—no member of a Committee—that has not done his full duty—none have buried their talents. Each has said to the Grand Geometrician:—

Take my intellect and use—
Every power as Thou shalt choose.

Yet I feel sure all will acquit me of undue discrimination if I commend to your special approbation for arduous work continuously well done throughout the year—the Grand Treasurer, the Grand Secretary, the D.D.G.Ms. and the Chairmen of the Finance and Benevolent Committees.

I will not burden you with statistical details which will be itemized in the Reports, but I cannot resist mentioning a few gratifying facts and figures—showing healthy and prosperous growth if not a great stride forward, in those assets and that income which enable us to do effective and beneficent work, and to plan with the vision prospective.

In round numbers we received:

From Lodges last year.....	\$120,000
This year.....	124,000
Last year interest on investments.....	13,000
This year.....	15,000
Last year we paid out for general purposes.....	29,750
This year.....	33,000
Expended in benevolent grants last year.....	66,500
This year.....	82,000
Assets, last year.....	369,000
This year.....	400,000

BY-LAWS

The By-laws of 27 Lodges have been confirmed and I have approved of the Amendments to By-laws of 120 others. This special work requires hours of time, care, skill and experience, and I frankly say I could not, with my manifold other official duties, have accomplished it satisfactorily had it not been for the *tactus peritus* and solicitous attention and scrutiny of M. W. Bro. J. H.

Burritt, of Pembroke, who most generously lent his invaluable aid in straightening out the difficulties and entanglements in which so many of these rules of the interior economy of lodges constantly find themselves. Not content with passing on the amendments proposed, he revised with me the whole By-laws submitted and made suggestions for further Amendments required to make them conform to the Constitution and be consistent with other by-laws of the same lodge. In the name of Grand Lodge I here and now publicly thank him for his splendid and clarifying services. Again the Grand Master suggests the appointment of a special Committee (with M. W. Bro. Burritt as Chairman) to frame a set of model By-laws for constituent Lodges—not to be rigidly cast iron in form—but to be a basis to be adopted (*mutatis mutandis*) by new Lodges according to their requirements, and to be a model for the improvement of the by-laws of the lodges already constituted. In many other Grand Jurisdictions a Judge Advocate is regularly appointed to deal with questions of legal difficulty and relieve the sometimes overworked Grand Master of some of the labour and responsibility.

CONSECRATIONS

During the year 16 Lodges have been constituted and consecrated, at ten of which ceremonies I personally officiated. The others were most satisfactorily performed by M. W. Bro. Harcourt and the Grand Officers delegated for that purpose. It was a special pleasure to consecrate the Lodge at Queen's University on account of the wonderful versatility of the material of membership constituting that new Lodge which draws Staff and Undergraduates together in one of our great seats of learning. This young Lodge will no doubt follow in the well defined footprints of University Lodge of Toronto University which has done such splendid work along educational lines, in which Masonry is always vitally interested as one of its special functions. When we cease to teach, we will cease to exist. The eight Consecrations in Toronto were each attended by over 300 Masons—the attendance increasing at each successive function. The concordant and vibrant music which accompanied the impressive and inspiring work of

the Grand Lodge Officers, added much to the dignity and prestige of these auspicious and solemn ceremonials.

DEDICATIONS

11 Lodges have been dedicated during the year in due and ancient form, and with impressive ceremonies.

WARRANTS

As accorded by this Grand Lodge at our last Annual Communication, I immediately thereafter issued Warrants to the following Lodges:—

Hullett of Londesboro; Doric of Lakeside; Dufferin, Antiquity, Mizpah, Fidelity, Mimosa, St. Clair, Harcourt, Sunnyside, Transportation, all of Toronto; Adoniram of Niagara Falls; Craig of Ailsa Craig; Queen's of Kingston; Harmony of Windsor; Acacia of London.

May they all for all time, maintain and hand down that priceless asset of a Lodge which is both the mother and matrix of men, **an honourable and unblemished charter.**

DISPENSATIONS

No less than 494 Dispensations have been granted during the year—many of them for special meetings, for changed hour of meeting, for installations and for Divine Service, which latter I have always encouraged. More and more Masonry must become the auxiliary—the hand-maid of the **Church militant**, and like the Church, she is a ladder and channel of service. Sane and wholesome religion should be normally enjoyed and openly professed by every Craftsman who if he believes in the Brotherhood of Man must also believe in the Fatherhood of God. Collective and individual worship is one of our distinguishing privileges. Blest be the ties that bind! Religion, (not religiosity), is one of those ties. Truth and love form base and spire of the Masons' Church, the Temple of the Living God who slumbers not nor sleeps.

Several Dispensations have been asked for which it was manifestly impossible to grant, being contrary to the direct provisions of our Constitution by which your Grand Master is bound just as obligatorily as the

youngest member. At the same time I hazard the opinion that our Constitution is in **some** respects too rigid to be always equitable, and as soon as my term of office is over I intend to lay before Grand Lodge some suggested amendments, the result of my experience in certain cases where I consider there are hardships.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

To fill the vacancies which have occurred in the list of our Representatives to foreign Jurisdictions, I have confirmed the following made by the respective Grand Lodges:

R.W. Bro. A. J. Russell, Berryville, Grand Lodge of Arkansas,

W. Bro. R. C. Blackmer, St. Louis, Grand Lodge of Missouri,

R. W. Bro. Anton Bernhard Laurantzson, Kristiana, Grand Lodge of Norway.

To represent foreign Grand Lodges near this Grand Lodge, the following member has been commissioned on my nomination:

R. W. Bro. S. S. Lazier, Belleville, Grand Lodge of Norway. R.W. Bro. Col. S. S. Lazier has had a distinguished and faithful Masonic career. He has been more than 58 years a Mason, and was D.D.G.M. of Prince Edward District when in 1875 our first Grand Master was buried in Simcoe. He has been Master of the Supreme Court of Belleville for 48 years—a unique record—and is still going strong, as those who attended the Grand Lodges held in Belleville, can testify.

I reiterate what my predecessor recommended, viz:—that the whole list of Grand Lodges with whom we exchange Representatives should be referred to a Committee for revision, amplification and completion—and that our list of Grand Representatives here should be examined, and if this **most honourable office** should be held by any who have not attended Grand Lodge for say three years they should be regretfully, kindly but firmly asked to resign, or revive their personal association with us in Convocation assembled to receive the Grand

Honours which are their due. It has been a great pleasure to establish Fraternal relationship with Norway.

NEW LODGES

There are now on the Register of this Grand Lodge 526 Lodges, of which 497 are warranted and 29 are under dispensation. Of these four have had their dispensations continued from 1921. I have granted Dispensations for the institution of the following Lodges:—

National, Capreol; Grey, Toronto; Defenders, Ottawa; North Gate, Toronto; Fairbank, Toronto; St. Andrew's, Hamilton; Hillcrest, Hamilton; Rideau, Ottawa; Martintown, Martintown; Temple, London; Dominion, Windsor; Mt. Dennis, Toronto; Maple Leaf, Toronto; St. Paul, Sarnia; Hugh Murray, Hamilton; Palace, Windsor; Gothic, Lindsay; Frontenac, Sharbot Lake; Campbell, Campbellville; Melita, Toronto; Unity, Toronto; Golden Fleece, Toronto; Tavistock, Tavistock; Ashlar, Byron; Huron-Bruce, Toronto.

May they all justify their existence, and live up to the trusts of their founders. They are of pedigreed stock, —born well, Noblesse oblige!

MEMBERSHIP

Our membership is approximately 94,500 as of this date—a phenomenal and unexpected increase of 6,500 men who, on the tongue of good report, have been made “free of the Craft the world over” through our 525 Lodges, since our last year's total of 88,000 was recorded. Unexpected because the undoubted financial stringency and era of enforced thrift through which we have been passing, would naturally presuppose a falling off in applications to join a Craft, membership in which is in **one** sense a luxury, for it is neither a Benefit Insurance Corporation nor is it strictly a charitable organization. But this very consideration tends to show that the quality and calibre are good, and that men are spontaneously, despite the cost, joining the Lodges from a really favourable opinion preconceived of an Institution which stands four square for deeply rooted principles (about which there is no secrecy), and which has done so much to weld and mould together men of brain and brawn, to stabilize

conditions in somewhat unsettled times and to assure respect for the perfect law of liberty under the free and happy flag of Britain. It is just that stability which makes men confident of life, liberty, property and the true pursuit and possession of happiness in this land of settled Government and safe homes, and this we are determined it shall remain for ourselves and our children's children. There is no reason why, if both character and financial ability of petitioners are carefully scrutinised (as they should be), both **quantity** and **quality** should not coexist. We cannot deny that the black ball has been in some few instances abused, and the sacredness of the ballot—and what is worse—the Lodge's trust, has been violated by vindictive men and men of petrified hearts, but nevertheless we must still guard the portals, standing at the doors as sentinels and semaphores, against not merely immoral men and men of ill will, but also against fanatics, faddists, extremists, demagogues, grievance-mongers, and other disturbers of the stable and the true, in Masonic as well as in political democracy. Eternal vigilance is the price of safety and of peace at the centre—the only kind of peace worth having. Would you care to admit him as a member of your own family, may perhaps be regarded by some as a too stringent test, yet do we not constantly talk of the **household** of the faithful, of the **close unity** of those who fear God, love the Brotherhood, honour the King. In any event I would rather see **attendance** duplicated, than the roll quadruplicated. Members on paper are neither a pillar, column nor ornament to the Lodge, which is a living organism whose countersign is manhood, and loyalty—real men in a world of men.

ATTENDANCE

A more constant attendance may be secured by the vital sparks of the Master and Wardens charging the atmosphere of the Lodge meetings. Look well to the East, West and South; the North (where is the revealed light) will then take care of itself. Unless the Officers of a Lodge are men of light and leadership, full of kindling power, the agenda will drag and there will be many empty interstices of precious time. Masonry, like Nature, abhors a vacuum. Fill every minute with good

Craftsmanship—draw out latent talent—generously but discriminatingly divide the work. It may sound heretical but I personally would like to see the opening formalities of the several degrees much shortened, and the Junior Warden's lecture—that gymnastic test of mnemonics—considerably curtailed, or divided as it is in other Jurisdictions. Encourage your members not to come to Lodge alone—always bring a neighboring brother—there is great joy as we walk and talk by the way and a pleasant Companion is as good as a coach. Rain or shine commence on time and have all your members realize that at **every regular meeting** one-half hour will be specially featured along educational or inspirational lines, led by Brethren whose pride it will be to prepare and share. The apprentices have covenanted to learn; we have covenanted to teach. To secure a good attendance it is not necessary to have **buffoonery** or vaudeville at the refreshment table. Do not mistake vulgarity for vivacity, or excitement for refined and happy pleasure. Do not go beyond the bounds of the Craft for "talent", except in those rare cases where an outstanding Public Man (who may not be a Mason), may be desirous of propagating the knowledge of some subject of general interest which he has made peculiarly his own. Above all let your members go away satisfied and feeling that they have been factors in the work and social pleasure of the Lodge, and not spectators and side-benchers only. The eyes and ears are the way to the heart. True Masons are as willing to please as to be pleased—to share their gifts—to enlarge the horizon of their friendships. Give them ample opportunity—set the pace—keep the step—keep the touch. Rally together—stand together, work together, lift together—and all will be well. One final suggestion on this vital matter of **present** attendance and activity—make and keep your Lodge-rooms and precincts worthy of the "House Beautiful." Ventilate well both ideas and atmosphere. You cannot have clear thoughts in foul air; you cannot have an **A. I.** Lodge in **C. 3** environment.

THE IMMORTALS

Among the Brethren who since July 1921 have passed not to another life, but to a life further on—to "where beyond these voices there is peace"—there are

many whose signal services to Freemasonry deserve recognition—Brethren whose brave and affable demeanor and whose inspiring example, will be engraved on the tablets of our memory. Of them the Report on the Fraternal Dead will worthily speak. But you will permit your Grand Master to say a few words of just two types of Masons—whose names and personalities were representative. In July 1921 R.W. Bro. and M. Ex. Comp. Henry S. Griffin, Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of Canada (with which this Grand Lodge will always be so closely identified), died in Hamilton—and the thousands who attended his funeral bore fitting tribute to his sterling worth, as the beloved physician, the exemplary citizen, the faithful friend. The Royal Craft had no more worthy son. Just a few weeks ago R.W. Bro. and M. Ex. Companion Abraham Shaw, clad in the uniform of a Knight Templar which he loved so well—died suddenly in knightly harness, and left a gap in the ranks of our ever zealous Grand Lodge Officers. No work was too laborious, no distance too great, to deter him from doing his duty and being present at his post. We will miss his erect and active figure crowned with the iron grey of a noble head—we will miss the earnest carrying power of his voice expressing the sincerity of his convictions which, whether we always agreed with them or not, we all never failed to appreciate and admire. At whatever age he died, he would have died young—whenever he died his death would have been untimely. As was said of another, he was a mixture of the old Roundhead and the Cavalier. One could equally well picture him with the steel headpiece of an Ironside singing Psalms by Oliver's elbow, or in a plumed hat riding with Montrose through the storms to Inverlochy. None of us can forget his years of splendid service. One by one such names as Atkinson, Best, Gibson and Barker, troop before that "Memory which both sees and hears." We lodged with them under the old roof tree of the Craft of good comradeship. Let us follow the gleam from higher radiance shed. The spirits of just men—not lost but gone before—are woven into the stuff of other men's lives. We are the other men. May we all be also the other **wise men**. May eternal rest and light perpetua, be theirs for evermore.

THE GRAND MASTER

I have tried to express my gratitude for your grace and favour in choosing me as worthy to wear the compasses of your Grand Master, by giving a large part of every week during the year and by giving every ounce of strength I possessed, to the increasingly responsible and engrossing duties of the office. Increasing numbers both of lodges and of membership involve enlarged spheres of necessary action—"New occasions teach new duties". I have paid 80 official visits, including two to the United States where I represented this Grand Lodge, and everywhere I have been received with the greatest cordiality, most courteous hospitality and generous welcome. The remembrance of all the kindnesses shown me makes me, will always make me, glow with pleasure and also wonder whether I merit it all. But to do what I have done, has necessitated my travelling over 17,000 miles and passing many sleepless nights—So little done so much to do!—I realize as never before the area of this great Province and its potentialities—wherein if we all do our public and private duty—if manhood does not shirk or falter—if we both unify and vivify—we may if we will, reap and enjoy the **Golden Age**. Five Districts—including the distant and alluring North—I have not reached—with all the others I have been at least in personal and delightful contact. You will not I am sure, impute to me any lack of delicacy if I take you into my confidence in saying that the dignity of the office—the possibilities of usefulness in the office of Grand Master of the **tenth** in point of membership and almost the largest in mileage of the Grand Lodges of the world, must be worthily maintained. I speak for my successor and not for myself, in asking you to remember that these visitations are but a part of the daily duties of the Office. Again let me remind you that I speak for my successor not for myself, when I point out that apart from the expenses of absence from the home, the earning power of a Grand Master in his business or profession is almost cut in two, and in these combative and competitive days that is not a negligible factor for it is hard to resume fully again. My one purpose in speaking thus frankly and fully to you as friends and as business men and lovers of our Craft, is that we should see to it that the day may never

come when it will be said or felt that none but a rich man or a man of unlimited leisure can **afford** to be Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario. Let us consult together and make due provision for that splendid future, that lies before us in the glorious years of our destiny to come, which we will share and work out together.

Time and space will not permit me to enumerate all my official visits from Windsor to Ottawa and Cornwall; from Midland and Penetanguishene to Simcoe and the Niagara Peninsula—but I feel sure you will generously agree that I make no invidious distinction when I call to your attention the wonderful series of centennial celebrations of St. Andrews No. 16 and their plan to raise \$25,000 for Benevolence; the presentation by Caledonian Lodge, Midland, of \$2,500, to endow free Masonic Rooms in the new Hospital there; the endowment of cots in the Home for Incurable Children by St. Johns, Ashlar and Ionic Lodges; the special work done by War Veterans Lodge and those other Lodges which have thrown open their hospitable doors to the gallant blind and wounded soldiers of Christie St. Hospital and Pearson Hall; the Christmas Tree entertainment of Victory Lodge; the dedication of the great Ambrose Memorial organ at Port Hope; and the opening of the spacious and well planned Temple in the City of Windsor. Of Consecrations and of other Lodges I have already spoken. As your Grand Master I addressed a gathering of 2,600 Masons on Maundy Thursday in the City of New York, and nothing could have exceeded the honours and genuine kindnesses showered on Canada. If any of you desire to read what I said there on your behalf you will find the address reported in the May issue of "Brotherhood." In every instance in which I last year visited the United States as Grand Z. of Grand Chapter, the Grand Master of the State came officially and sat by my side, a delicate courtesy deeply appreciated. This interchange of visits—this interlacing of fraternal intercourse, is pregnant with international results—and should be encouraged. Hands and hearts across the Lakes! I have received pressing invitations both by letter and cable to visit England and Scotland, but I was not able to accept owing to the expense and my urgent and continuous duties at home. I

trust that my successor will be enabled to attend as our Representative the Mother Grand Lodge of the World, the precedent for which was so ably set by M.W. Bro. Wardrope. Our Grand Lodge has recently been most worthily and efficiently represented in England by R.W. Bro. Walter S. Herrington, who was received with all the honours and we are now represented there by M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone, our veteran and faithful Grand Treasurer, absent now for the first time from Grand Lodge and whose twenty-first Report will be read to you by M.W. Bro. Harcourt on whom his mantle has temporarily fallen.

The name Port Arthur recalls the landing of His Royal Highness Prince Arthur, Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England; and Fort William to me recalls memories of Fort William in beautiful Invernesshire, Scotland, whence came my forebears.

In two other events worthy of being chronicled it was my pride and privilege to participate as your Grand Master. By request of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite in the Valley of Hamilton, I laid the Cornerstone of their new Cathedral in that cradle and fertile field of the Craft—the home of our Grand Secretary. **Well made, truly laid**, well proved, true and trusty, it was duly declared to be. God grant that at the beginning of the career of every entered apprentice Mason we may be able truthfully to apply the same time honoured and significant words with the cement of comradeship and of every moral and social virtue. It may not be inappropriate to quote here the verses used at the dignified and impressive ceremony at Hamilton, at which many Grand Lodge Officers past and present filled well their several parts:

“O see that ye build securely
 When the time for building comes,
 With square-hewn block of righteousness
 And corner-stones of faithfulness
 And girders strong of righted wrong
 And the blood of our martyrdoms,
 And build on that one foundation

That shall make the building sure,
 The rock that was laid
 Ere the world was made,
 Build on Him and you build secure."

The unveiling of the Monument of our first Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Col. William Mercer Wilson at Simcoe, was in every way worthy of Grand Lodge. The massive granite, the appropriate inscription, the exquisite beauty of the surroundings, the large concourse of Masons present, the whole character of the function, left nothing to be desired. The special Committee of which M.W. Bro. W. R. White was the capable and energetic Chairman, will report to this Grand Lodge. Of those who in 1875 at the date of the funeral of this gallant soldier, upright Judge and exemplary Master Craftsman, held office in Grand Lodge, only three are still actively engaged in Grand Lodge work, viz: M.W. Bro. Sir John Gibson (then Grand Junior Deacon), M.W. Bro. W. R. White (then G.S.W.) and R.W. Bro. Col. S. S. Lazier (then D.D.G.M.) May their manifold and bene-

ficent activities among us continue for many years to come, and here and now we greet and hail them in grateful recognition of their faithful and unfaltering half century of service. Verily they have drawn the 3 fold knot firm in the 9 fold band. Another list of veteran Masons (which would include R.W. Bros. Nixon, Wilkinson and others,) could well be prepared, all entitled to the "**Long Service Decoration.**" They have nothing of age save its dignity and experience, and respect, and that loving if not demonstrative regard which we all feel—deep in our hearts and minds—for those men of mellow maturity who blazed the trail and bore the burdens in our early formative and constructive years. Our grateful greetings to them:

"Who down the slopes of sunset lead,
 As up the hills of morn."

MASONIC ACTIVITIES

Judging by the volume of Notices of Motion on the agenda, this Session of Grand Lodge is not apt to show any characteristics of stagnant or shallow water. All

the discussions will of course be courteous, considerate, and I hope concentrated on material issues. We do not merely exist, we evidently live, move and have our being—there is activity **within**. But in the life of our community—in citizenship—in creative, germinating, constructive, patriotic work, are we doing our most and our best? Do we need to rally as a Masonic Service Association such as has been organized among our friends and neighbors? The Grand Master of New York in his last address propounded to his Grand Lodge the three following questions—over which we might perhaps with advantage ponder:

“Do you believe that our fraternity should be a more active force for good in our community and in our Nation?”

“Do you believe that Masonic principles could be well applied for our civic and national welfare?”

“Are you in favor of an applied Masonic Service to God, to Country and to Humanity.?”

There is no doubt but that men and Masons are seeking an outlet for their outlook and output. To distribute—to communicate, forget not. The thousands of Masons who **not as such**, but as active citizens, have joined the Rotary, Kiwanis, Lions and other similar Clubs, have not done so for the fun of the thing—they seek expression and expansion. The charge against Religion now most frequently heard is that (like certain Ontario laws) it is too repressive. Are **we** too repressive? Are there too many don'ts? Are we carrying too much luggage? Do we realize and exercise our **collective** potentiality for effective influence and good work? We must feed public opinion with right thoughts and kind deeds and good will actually expressed in terms of community service; or public opinion will be fed by those who prefer the darkness to the light. Do our public men (both representatives and officials) understand that 95,000 men (chosen of the true) in Ontario have certain definite standards and principles, certain clear aims and purposes, which, without mixing up with party politics in any way, we propose to maintain. But do Masons ever speak out?

Let us have the courage of our convictions—and be able to give a reason for the faith and love of freedom that is in us. “All that our fathers wrought, with true prophetic thought must be defended.” We want unity not disintegration. We are plus people not minus people. That is part of our **mission and ministry**. Masonry is not a code of ethics, nor a mystic legend, nor an abstraction—it is a fountain not a cistern—it is a life. We are dynamic not static. And in these days when the builders are needed as against the destroyers and wreckers, dignity is not enough, there must be power—fortitude—courage—a loyalty that will enforce wise laws and see that they are justly administered. The spirit of Magna Charta still lives. “To none will we sell, to none will we deny or delay right or justice.” It will not suffice for us to be passively good and silently or stupidly respectable, we must be splendidly aggressive. As Lady Astor said here: let us be good—**anyone** can be bad. Let us build—**anyone** can destroy. Only real men can be Masons and to be an ideal Mason he must be very much indeed of a man.

“We are all blind unless we see,
 “That in the human plan,
 Nothing is worth the building
 If it does not make the man”—

And men co-operating together make the Nation. Let us have faith in our fibre, fulfilment in our words. Let helpfulness be our rudder and let us steer by the stars of comradeship and good will and **strong will** in the valley of decision. We must build not for the hour but, we hope, for all time—without compromising the truth along the lines of least resistance.

“Who never sold the truth to serve the hour,
 Nor paltered with Eternal God for power.”

Idealists in all our practical work, and practical through all our ideals—with the vision splendid but not visionaries—then our work will survive.

Each day some service, for our fellow man and our Empire—the Empire of living thought—whole hearted and judicious service that makes him that gives and him

that receives better and bigger for the doing of it. Demonstrative, enthusiastic, contagious service for:

“He that works me good with unmoved face
Does it but half—he chills me while he aids,
My benefactor—not my brother man.”

Make us Past Masters in the act of doing good as He was in whose name we pray.

Such a glowing labour of love is its own adequate and satisfying reward, but there is also the crowning, the anticipation of which we older men value more and more—as we feel the need of the Pilot, the Wonderful—the Counsellor.

“Life’s race well run,
Life’s work well done,
Life’s victory won—
Then cometh rest”.

Rest, the true *Pax Britannica*—productive rest, is what the world most craves and needs to-day:—to refill the world’s storehouses—to strengthen, stablish settle us. We can never have a peace of plenty without plenty of peace. May He “strengthen the bars of our gates, establish peace within our borders, and fill us with the finest of the wheat.” He will—if we do not drift further from our moorings—if we do not think and act in air tight compartments and selfish groups—if we steer a straight course with a clear objective for the haven. A **common will** is the true pulse of all human endeavour. Surely we Masons can and must show our world what a common will can do—“So builded we the wall and all the wall was joined together for the people had a mind to **work**”—And even in the immortal mansions we Masons must surely believe that we will with the Great Overseer use our working tools in the Globe Celestial, that we will take with us our capacity as well as our character. Are we qualifying to meet the Great Master Craftsmen who have gone before—we the stewards of the Mysteries, the coheirs of the great heritage? We can read into the 8th Chapter of Deuteronomy if we will, the prophetic description of our own Canada quite as truly as do the citizens of the Great Commonwealth to the South. Between us and them—the **two**

great English speaking nations in which the best elements of each respond to the best elements of the other,—Masonry is the Unifying Genius—for it knows no latitude or longitude and is the universal solvent, yet each loves his own symbolic flag. Long may they wave together in the post of honour and of danger, at the head of a column of mutual defence and support! We may both be in full accord with the 37th Chapter of Ezekiel and determine that the striking and vivid parable of unity therein depicted shall represent us for all the years to come—yet we will each continue to sing heartily—lustily and concordantly:

“Lord while for all mankind we pray,
Of every clime and coast,
Oh hear us for our native land
The land we love the most.”

In this commemorative year of Memorials none has been erected of greater significance and import, than that massive portal which now stands where the 49th parallel meets Boundary Bay. On the United States side is the inscription: “**Children of a common Mother**”—On the Canadian side—“**Brethren dwelling together in unity**” and on the Portals—“**Open for 100 years and may these doors never be closed**”. So mote it be.

BUOYANCY

We Canadian Masons should be optimists. A buoyant raft can bear up a ton of trouble. The pessimist says “of two evils choose both”—The strong resolute Masonic optimist says “of two evils choose neither.” The Anarchist says “whatever is, is not.” The constructive Craftsman says “Whatever is, is right.” God’s in His Heaven, all’s right with the world. With both cohesion and expansion—our home the centre but not the circumference,—we will win the victory of peace—if we remember His Commandments—**to do them**. We are the confluence of many tributary streams all flowing into the River of the Arrow—of which we can if we will feel and control the current—(it’s the set of the soul that determines the goal)—and thence to the Ocean of life. The tide is at the full in this land of equal opportunity—here and now—and there will be no ebb to that tide if

we keep our cable tow long and strong—if we lengthen the cords and strengthen the stakes by good work well done **together** in the spirit of freemen whom the truth makes free.

There is apparently abroad a disposition to be querulous and fault-finding, with Governments that govern—with conditions—with fate—to depress and to repress. The gloomsters, groansters, sobsters, chant a lugubrious chorus of wailing woe. If we hear the calamity howlers, don't let us howl with them. The dogs may bark but the great caravan moves forward. Chamberlain's world-girdling message is apposite. "Britain is always able to answer the taunts of her enemies with the cheers of her children." "They helped everyone his neighbor and everyone said to his Brother, 'be of good courage. . . it is ready for the soldering'."

SIDE ISSUES

With such a closely associated and co-ordinated union of men, who are supposed to have been hand-picked, head-picked and heart-picked; with such opportunities to "work while you work and play while you play," with such living stones, built into the fabric of its manly structure, and with the infinite possibilities of the happy enjoyment of all the faculties in "intellectual conviviality and environment", and the harmonious functioning of the triplicate entity of body, mind and spirit together, I cannot understand the apparent predilection of some of our members, to evolve and multiply new organizations which detach and dissipate the energies that might otherwise be employed in building up and making and keeping pure Craft Masonry as a joy forever—which it is to all its true votaries—and of others who through some undisclosed but apparently irresistible impulse or magnetic attraction, associate themselves in **their capacity as Masons**, with bodies which **profess** to be extraneous to the Craft, yet make good standing in the Craft a **prerequisite** of membership and of office. I do trust that these Brethren will mark the experience of at least two Grand Jurisdictions who, encouraging active co-operation with these pseudo-orders in the past, now find their members canvassing and working for pet candidates for Deputy Grand Master of Grand Lodge. Brethren, it is

only in your character as Masons, that I thus in all kindness remonstrate with you, and most earnestly beg you to give all your social and fraternal energy and charm and talent to your own good Mother Lodge—the true mother of men. We need “true hearted, whole hearted, faithful and loyal” men like yourselves with a genius for friendship and comradeship. Will you not come back to the old “fold”—the old Masonic home? A new wind is blowing through Masonry—These are spacious days. Outside and beyond your character and standing as Masons I do not presume to interfere or even to speak. The independent philanthropic work of the bodies referred to merits all praise, but when they persist in making Masonry the **test of membership** they deserve all that M.W. Bro. Freed and M.W. Bro. Harcourt in their annual addresses have said and written of them, and what they said and wrote was approved by this Grand Lodge. Can we not get together?

RULINGS

Most of my rulings and decisions were about the old questions of balloting, residence, physical qualifications, regalia, jurisdiction, etc., which would be of minor interest. I summarize a few of the more outstanding ones.

1. I have given always a liberal interpretation of sec. 181 (a) where soldiers are concerned. The heroic living are entitled to “Grand Honours” as well as the holy dead.

2. Man whose parents reside in “A”, attends University in “B” for four years during term and has not slept in parents’ home for four years, preaches during summer at “C”. Lodge at “C” allowed to accept his petition, provided “B” is willing and character and standing established.

3. I could not recognize Masonic standing of a member of so-called Patria Lodge, San Antonio, Texas, under the Jurisdiction of Rito National Mexicano.

4. I admonished Masters and Secretaries of four Lodges for improper notices and banquet toast lists, and two others for lack of courteous replies to the letters of the Inspector of Benevolence.

5. I decided that it was improper to allow in Official register, record of Scottish Rite standing—though I yield to none in admiration of the Scottish Rite.

6. It is improper for “Shrine” titles to be used in Summons, and Regalia in Lodge.

7. In Cities where consent of majority of Lodges is necessary in forming a New Lodge, refusals should be filed, as well as consents. A general refusal of all new Lodges—without considering special merits or demerits, is unmasonic.

8. Only the Royal Arch Jewel (not Royal Arch Regalia) is allowed to be worn in Craft Lodges.

9. When Amendments of By-laws are submitted for approval, the whole file, including the complete By-laws, Notice of Motion, certified extract from Minutes, and proposed amendments in duplicate certified by Master and Secretary under Seal, with correspondence, must be submitted to the Grand Master.

With the next Edition of the Constitution, the Rulings of my predecessors approved by Grand Lodge, properly codified and indexed, should be printed.

TOPICS OF MOMENT

My limitations will only permit me to refer briefly to certain subjects of importance to us all, and some of which will be treated more fully in the Report on the Condition of Masonry which will be laid before you:—

(1) **Immigration.** We can do much to aid in making good Canadian citizens from the splendid material that will in this and in the coming years seek homes here—filling the vacant areas that hunger for men. “Let the stranger be as the homeborn—for ye were strangers.” Our own R.W. Bro. Sir George McLaren Brown with his colleagues of Canada and other Lodges, is doing a great work in the “little Mother Isle, God bless her,” along this “line of communication” and humanity, which surely will appeal to you all.

(2) A Library and Reading Room should be an adjunct and auxiliary of every Masonic Lodge that ever feels growing pains. A good Library is a University in itself—Hold high the torch of Knowledge which is Power. Books are reservoirs of resource. Look at the John Ross Robertson Library when next in Toronto at the Masonic Temple, and get some ideas from that most courteous of Librarians and Secretaries, V.W. Bro. Murray. Let us read more—especially let us read Fraternal Correspondence, and the Masonic Press—with their nuggets of rich ore. But let us absorb in order to **reproduce** and share through the mintage of our own minds with others.

(3) Every Lodge or group of Lodges should have a Past Master's Association. Their work of research—of stabilizing conditions—of calm consideration—of experienced suggestion and counsel, and of keeping alive the old associations, is invaluable. A long loyal line of Past Masters is one of the greatest assets a Lodge can have.

(4) Where possible in Cities a Central Masonic Bureau should be organized. Without discriminating, but because their work has come under my personal observation, the Central Masonic Bureau of Toronto is a model—functioning efficiently and harmoniously, assimilating, co-ordinating and preventing overlapping, and developing each year some new phase of usefulness. These Bureaus should receive official recognition.

(5) During my visits I find that such old questions as (a) Balloting at the altar—(b) balloting in the 3rd Degree only—(c) Change of date of meeting from summer solstice—(d) Freedom in style of Regalia—(e) Innovations in matters of Form in lighting and darkening Lodge Rooms—(f) The admission of candidates in groups, to expedite work; and many other problems are still alive and will not down. I had hoped that my predecessor—who has made my path so easy in many ways—would have settled these for all time.

(6) The formation of Masonic Clubs and their incorporation as proposed, is a matter in which great caution will have to be exercised. May it not be that we are

subdividing too much and creating bodies over which the Craft will retain no direct control?

(7) On all sides the suggestion that the Funeral Service at the grave should be revised and shortened appears to meet with approbation. A Committee to consider this—and to construct a ceremony for the unveiling of Memorials, might well be appointed by this Grand Lodge.

(8) The presentation of suitably bound and inscribed Bibles to all candidates after obligations thereon—the practice now of at least ten Lodges—is worthy of all commendation. No more treasured heirloom could be transmitted from father to son than the Sacred Law on which has been taken the oath of fidelity—fidelity—fidelity. Carry on and hand down!

(9) Masters are responsible with their Secretaries for the “substance and form” of their Notices of Meetings. While they should not be bare, bald, mechanical notifications, yet care must be exercised to exclude the frivolous, “domestic” comments, and flippant allusions. This applies also of course to menus and toast lists in which quotations from “The Work” should not be used. I admit that apposite quotation is very tempting (almost appetizing) but must be resisted. The Summons may be made very human, and instructional—a living link between the Lodge as a **thought-centre** and the members, without derogating from the dignity of the Craft. Reference to any specially interesting features of the last past meeting, for the benefit and encouragement of absent Brethren, is to be commended and aids in securing the attendance of those who thus realize what they have missed. All members should so do their duty by their Lodge—each Lodge a laboratory of life—as to make their absence as their presence felt.

(10) The **sale** of what professes to be a Ritual of our Craft, should be visited with immediate suspension, and trial. The commercialization of our Craft in any phase prostitutes its purpose—dims its lustre.

(11) The gaudy display of large and prominent metallic Masonic ornaments (so-called) outside the

Lodge, should be discouraged. If any, let it be modest and unobtrusive—for the apparel oft proclaims the man.

(12) The very important subjects of (a) the relative merits of the large Lodge and the small Lodge—and (b) the current criticism of the multiplication of Lodges—the swarming of bees in the hives of industry—will be laid before you in the Report on the Condition of Masonry.

(13) Names of new Lodges require careful consideration. Repetition should be avoided—Surely the original vocabulary of appropriate Masonic nomenclature is not yet exhausted. I have had to refuse two applications to name Lodges after living Masons held in local esteem and regard.

(14) M.W. Bro. Harcourt's suggestion of the establishment of an **emergency Fund** for special cases of relief requiring emergent action, was received with universal approval, but was not acted on at last Grand Lodge. I again recommend this very necessary and practical provision.

(15) Whether Lodges of Instruction of whole Districts, or whether the interchange of visitations **and of work**, by neighboring groups of Lodges, are the more beneficial and fertile and fruitful in results, is a question ripe for consideration, and I would suggest that next year's D.D.G.Ms. be requested to report to Grand Lodge what their judgment (after consultation) may be in this regard. Whichever we do, let us avoid isolation and listlessness.

(16) I had intended to speak at some length on the D.D.G.Ms.—their functions—their merits, but the Report on the Condition of Masonry will fully cover this. They worthily carried the messages and commands of this Grand Lodge and the light of Masonry to those faithful and earnest workers, the Masters and Wardens of the constituent Lodges—all good men and true. The D.D.G.Ms. are the Corps-Commanders—the great Pro-Consuls. A D.D.G.M. is both born and made. He must be able to light his own fire and kindle fire in others and he must have experience. So must we all if we are to render the highest service. To whom much is given,

of them is much required. I have been very proud of the Representatives of the Grand Master. They did not work in lone furrows. The Toronto trinity of D.D. & G. set a splendid example in their co-operation—they gave a new interpretation to the eternal triangle.

Grand Lodge is much indebted for the faithful services of those Brethren who have acted on Special Committees—on Commissions for Trials—on Boards of Relief and Charities—as Trustees of Masonic Temples and many other organized and indispensable activities. But the especial and grateful appreciation of all will be accorded to all choirs, quartettes, soloists and organists, to all orchestras and choruses, and especially the Toronto Masonic Male Chorus whose reputation is now international. Rhythmic **music** is more than “articulate memory”—it is the “mind’s delight, linking sense with sound and sight”—Men have not merely been charmed but deeply moved by sonorous and vibrant music rendered with rhythmic concord, befitting the ritual, at our meetings throughout the year. I lay the obligation on City Lodges to share their gifts and talents with those Lodges not so favourably situated. But we all can sing together—as the morning stars did—that is the genius of Masonry.—Let us strive to attain the ideal “Like perfect music unto noble words.” Music—vocal and instrumental—is the ally of congenial good cheer. It warms the frigid, gently bends the rigid, and to the sad is consolatory, and so is one of the many elements of the **corn, wine and oil** with which the cornucopia of our Craft overflows—by the grace of the great Giver of Gifts who lifts service into the light and teaches us to exercise in prosperity, temperance, and in adversity, fortitude. Happy he who can touch into vibrant chords the harp of a thousand strings—the human voice—the human heart.

OUR SONS

Work for and among the Boys—sons of Masons—is a live factor in the progressive work of other Grand Jurisdictions. We cannot afford to postpone or neglect our opportunity and duty. One of the Standing Committees or a special Committee should be instructed by this Grand Lodge to investigate and report upon the

best means of carrying out this broad-minded project. We will find that this phase of fraternity is an experience not an experiment—It appeals to parental instinct—to every mother “a thing of beauty is a boy forever”)—to the intellectual sympathy and desire to be comrades and friends of youth—it appeals to our self interest in contemplation of the **future** for manifold reasons. “Bless the lads!” It is nobler to be an ancestor than a descendant—let us be both—“Lo this our fathers did for us.”

THE CALL OVERSEAS

The tragedy of Ireland—the distress of our Brethren there—the burning of their Lodges—the murder of their members—the sacrilegious violation of their holy altars by irresponsible miscreants who disregard the laws of God and man—are matters to us of the gravest concern, and call for our practical sympathy and aid. I would suggest that this Grand Lodge cable the Grand Master (who has been obliged temporarily to suspend all Masonic meetings in the so-called Free State)—assuring him of our support in the gallant and loyal struggle of our Irish Brethren, and setting aside and dedicating the sum of £1,000 Stg. to be used for that purpose in the event of need. The Craft in Ireland is composed of men of our own tribes and families—the household of the faithful—and we are summoned to act,

“‘Gainst the wrong that needs resistance,
For the cause that needs assistance,

Not for the future in the distance, but for the living pulsing present. And apart from Masonry we in Canada have determined that as we propose to keep Canada for the Empire, so also the **Empire for Canada**; and that Ireland as well as Canada shall remain an integral part of our Empire. Hands off the Union Jack! The Cross of St. Patrick stays therein. We do not need to say to our firm and resolute Brethren of the Old Sod “Stand Fast”—They can be relied on no matter how relentless the persecution—

“Never for us the lowered banner
Never the lost endeavour”—

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

I have called a meeting of the Officers and Members of Grand Lodge and all Members of the Craft, for Wednesday evening at 8.45 p.m. sharp, immediately following our District meetings when addresses will be delivered by our distinguished visitors and by veterans of the Craft, and music will be provided in which we can all join. Will you not all assist by your presence and hearty support, in making this new feature of Grand Lodge a signal success? It will fill a long felt need—**Next year** we plan a most ambitious programme—if this year justifies the experiment. It is for you Brethren to make or mar it. Will you not try and test it? The meeting will adjourn at 10.30—while the night is still young. Then you can as of old “turn night-time into day-time with the sunlight of good cheer”.

HOME, HOSPITAL AND SCHOOL.

And now, Brethren, just a few words on a vital subject that is very dear to me. Throughout the year I have with all the earnestness of which I was capable urged consideration of the advisability of purchasing a large and central site or estate—at once picturesque and productive, and erecting thereon a stately and superb edifice as a Masonic Home, Hospital and School, of which there is a present need for the orphan children and widows and dependents of deceased Brethren, and for those infirm and aged Brethren who have been reduced to the lowest depths of poverty, total disability and distress. Several of our orphans now are housed by the Foresters and Oddfellows; some of our aged are in County Houses of Refuge, and two at least are being cared for in Roman Catholic Institutions. Our membership has doubled in eleven years and **then** our total Benevolent Grant was only \$30,000. **Then** we did not realize our need. Times have changed, and we with them. But we lag behind—we are not abreast of the times. Tenth in numerical rank in the world, the smaller Jurisdictions set us an example of practical benevolence per capita and collectively, that should make us blush—each maintaining a central home—and many of them schools as well—their pride—their shrine—their creative expression of ideal philanthropy and Brotherhood—a transforming force!

May the Great Architect give us vision and perspective, wisdom, initiative and divine enthusiasm and a resolute will to undertake and complete this great work—which need not interfere with our present system of benevolence save in so far that it will relieve that fund of many claims and so lighten the burden, while at the same time bettering the condition of the recipients.

May the Giver of gifts give unto you
 All that is good—all that is true,
 The will to help—the courage to do—

Let it be the worthy **commemorative monument** of our first 100,000 membership which we should attain in 1923. Let each member give \$5 and we have at once a full half million to purchase land, and to build and equip such a splendid structure as will be the crowning glory of the Architects who will successfully compete for the world-wide honour of designing the Building suitable for the honoured guests who will proudly call it home—a **real home** of comfort and health, hope and happiness. Then my further appeal to you is that you continue to give \$5 annually for two years more and thus raise **one million** dollars for administrative endowment and maintenance for all time to come. In every other Jurisdiction also it is a condition of admision of all candidates that each should contribute from \$10 to \$20 for this beneficent purpose, and thus they and we would be all not merely sharers in the sentiment of our Masonic virtues—but actual factors in this outward and visible sign of inward and generous grace. By their fruits ye shall know them! There would be no burden—but if there were, it would be but a challenge—and the willing burden-bearers become the blessing-sharers. With few exceptions the proposal has been received throughout the Jurisdiction with glad acclaim. Little Sunnyside leading, Lodges and individuals, have already pledged thousands of dollars—ready whenever the project is ripe for action and when the representative Trustees **to be appointed by our Grand Lodge** shall have their methods of action matured and approved by you. As a first and essential preliminary let us appoint a strong and representative Committee to investigate—to correspond with and if necessary to visit neighboring foreign Jurisdictions, and to **report fully** to this Grand Lodge at its next Communication. My

Brethren we should have the consciousness of strength and of responsibility. Without boasting but realizing our obligations, may we not in our lusty masonic manhood be justified in applying to our beloved Craft the words of that vibrant National song which always thrills us through and through—"Land of hope and glory, Mother of the Free, wider still and wider may thy bounds be set, God who made thee mighty, make thee mightier yet!" God will, if we rise to this full tide of our great opportunity and greater need—and God grant our greatness may not fail through any craven fear of being great. With all reverence I quote:— the Lord hath chosen thee to build a house—**be strong and do it!** And let the good work to be carried on in this splendid structure be efficiently administered by wise, gentle and just members of our own Craft specially selected from those who have the special gifts of teaching, healing, cheering and constructive and sympathetic leadership. Then too it should be a **Memorial of our glorious dead**—the men who played the immortal game—who though glad to live were not afraid to die, and did die for altars and firesides, for hearths and homes, for near ones and dear ones—for you and me. Let us erect to their undying memory this Temple of faith, freedom, friendship and fraternity—lest we forget—lest we forget. May each one of us be able truly to say "after me cometh a builder, tell him I too have known". Put a **beacon light** in the great Tower of the noble building to be erected and let it never be extinguished. Hold high the torch, and keep the fires glowing at the altars—keep the anvils ringing. Let us be up and doing—we will build better than we know. Let us not spend any more precious potential years of our life erecting tombstones over the graves of lost opportunities:

"Build thee more stately mansions, O my soul,
 As the swift seasons roll;
 Leave thy low-vaulted past!
 Let each new temple, nobler than the last,
 Shut thee from heaven with a dome more vast,
 Till thou at length art free,
 Leaving thine outgrown shell by life's unresting sea!"

We travel **only once** the great Highway of our earthly pilgrimage. Let us travel the **King's Highway** and be loyal to the royal in ourselves.

THE KING'S PILGRIMAGE IN FRANCE.

"A noble speech on a great theme is like a landmark on a high hill. It is a direction, a call, an encouragement, and an inspiration. . . ."

The King's speech over the French and British Dead at Terlinethun is worthy to stand beside that most wonderful of all funeral orations which Pericles delivered over the Athenian citizens who fell when winter brought the end of the first year's fighting of the Peloponnesian War—and beside that other great speech of Abraham Lincoln which "belongs to the Ages". . . .

"At last we hear the voice of England. Her King has just spoken and what he has said goes straight to the heart of the French," says the representative Press of France.

And my Brethren I cannot better close this message to you and to our Lodges than by incorporating in it some striking extracts from the remarkable and noble speech made by our King—the Interpreter of his people—crowned to the sovereignty of service and of that **duty which is Glory**—so full it is of infinite tact, genuine kindness of spirit, sincerity and hopefulness, and lofty thought, begotten of the inspiration of the great occasion. Let us not forget that somewhere thereabouts lay some very gallant Canadian gentlemen *sans peur et sans reproche* in soil that will be "forever Canada."

"For the past few days I have been on a solemn pilgrimage in honour of a people who died for all free men.

"For, here, in their last quarters, lie sons of every portion of that Empire, across, as it were, the threshold of the Mother Island which they guarded, that freedom might be saved in the uttermost ends of the earth."

"Those proofs of virtue, which we honour here to-day, are to be found throughout the world and its waters, since we can truly say that the whole circuit of the earth is girdled with the graves of our dead."

"But in this fair land of France, which sustained the utmost fury of the long strife, our brothers are numbered, alas! by hundreds of thousands. They lie in the keeping of a tried and generous friend, a resolute and chivalrous comrade in arms, who, with ready and quick sympathy, has set aside for ever the soil in which they sleep, so that we ourselves and our descendants may for all time reverently tend and preserve their resting-places."

"Never before in history have a people thus dedicated and maintained **individual memorials** to their fallen, and, in the course of my pilgrimage, I have many times asked myself whether there can be a more potent advocate of peace upon earth through the years to come than this massed multitude of silent witnesses to the desolation of the war."

"I rejoice I was fortunate enough to see these in the spring, when the returning pulse of the year tells of unbroken life that goes forward in the face of apparent loss and wreckage; and I fervently pray that, both as nations and individuals, we may so order our lives after the ideals for which our brethren died that we may be able to meet their gallant souls once more, humbly but unashamed."

More than ever in this year of grace when the Star of Hope and Light and Peace again is shining, do we as freemen and freemasons—liege subjects and law maintaining citizens, pledge our fealty and devotion to His Majesty, his Crown and Person, and to all the Royal Family of Windsor, to one of whom **H.R.H. the Princess Mary**, I sent on your behalf warmest congratulatory greetings on the happy occasion which drew towards her the chivalrous thought of the Anglo Saxon world wherever loyal British hearts beat high with sympathetic gladness. A most gracious and kindly acknowledgment was received from Her Royal Highness within a few hours, to be treasured among the records of Grand Lodge. The whole event, solemnized in Westminster Abbey built by Master Craftsmen of years gone by—

"Unity, Mystery, Majesty, Grace,
Stone upon Stone, and each stone in its place,"

was crowned by the delicately human touch of the King and Queen in their message to their People, thanking

them for having "become partners with us in our great joy". The pulse of Canada beats strongly responsive to the heart of the Empire, wherein are the title deeds of liberty and the cement of unity which holds together as one great family of sister states—the British League of Nations; of which the **centre** is and ever will be to us as Masons of the Mother tongue and Mother Lodge, the dear old **Motherland**.

The great concourse of cheering Britons who "in streaming London's central roar" this month sang over and over again "God bless the Prince of Wales," typified **more** than simply the Nation's loving welcome home. It was that and more. It was a fervent and grateful recognition of the great work of a Royal Diplomat and Minister—the Ambassador and Builder of Empire—who has rendered the highest service that man can give to his Country and his King—who has not merely won all hearts by the charm with which the Creator has endowed him, but has also with clarity of thought and diction, and earnestness and singleness of purpose dispelled the lowering clouds, re-established patriotic allegiance, quickened and intensified the Nation's pulse—and *facile Princeps* among modern Crusaders—has won for himself the right to be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of paths to dwell in. We **greet and hail** our well-beloved Brother as a Master Craftsman in the arts of peace, as he was a gallant comrade in war. May the Great Jehovah guide and guard our Brother who after many years of happy consciousness of duty done, will wield the sceptre and the gavel with benignant sway—as his fore-fathers have done:—

The Throne is shrined in the Empire's heart—
 And the Empire claims her own—
 Continents sunder—oceans part—
 But we are one through the Throne—

If in this spirit of unity within, we unite in close co-operative alliance with our Sister Grand Lodges—(to whom we here and now send cordial greetings)—then with **work together as our watchword**, the sentries will call "All's well, all's well"—the bugle will sound "all

clear," and we will pitch our tents together in the plains of peace—and together realize in the service of humanity—which is wider than Empire—that God made of man one mighty brotherhood—Himself their Master, and the world his Lodge.

WILLIAM N. PONTON
Grand Master.

It was moved by M.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by M.W. Bro. W. R. White, and Resolved: That the address of the Grand Master be referred to a Special Committee to report thereon. The Grand Master named as the Committee on the address, M.W. Bros. W. R. White, J. H. Berritt, W. D. McPherson, F. W. Harcourt and R. W. Bro. W. J. Drope.

The report of the Grand Treasurer was presented by M.W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt and the report of the Grand Secretary by R.W. Bro. W. M. Logan, as follows:

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, A.F.&A.M., of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

I herewith submit a statement of the receipts and disbursements and investment accounts of the Grand Lodge for the year ended 31st May, 1922.

GENERAL ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

To balance at credit of the account in the Canadian Bank of Commerce on the 31st day of May, 1921.....	\$ 9,865 72	
Received from Grand Secretary from Lodges.....	123,908 95	
Interest on Investments	15,175 55	
Interest on Bank Deposits.....	634 14	
Cancelled cheque, John McKerracher.....	16 00	
Debentures Matured:		
Landed Banking and Loan Company.....	\$ 5,000 00	
Berlin	1,281 41	
Hamilton	3,616 81	
Brampton.....	654 02	
Brockville.....	579 77	
	11,132 01	
		\$160,732 37

DISBURSEMENTS

General charges.....	\$33,215 90	
Benevolent Orders.....	73,440 00	
Landed Banking & Loan Co....	5,000 00	
Toronto General Trusts Corporation Guaranteed Investment.....	10,000 00	
City of Toronto.....	14,487 83	
Province of Ontario.....	16,321 86	
	\$152,465 59	
Balance on deposit in Canadian Bank of Commerce on May 31st, 1922.....	10,095 81	
Less outstanding Cheques.....	1,829 03	
	8,266 78	
		\$160,732 37

All of which is fraternally submitted,

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer

Audited and found correct,

HARRY VIGEON, F. C. A.
Auditor.

Toronto, 17th June, 1922.

DISBURSEMENTS

1921			
June	5—	Grand Secretary, incidentals.....	\$ 300 00
	25—	Grand Treasurer, salary.....	50 00
		Auditor's Salary.....	150 00
		Grand Secretary's salary.....	1,250 00
		Chief Clerk.....	166 66
		Stenographer.....	125 00
		Clerk.....	100 00
		A. M. Cunningham, Portraits.....	46 00
		Copp Clark Co.....	256 27
		Robert Raw and Co.....	68 20
		Rent.....	250 00
		R. F. Richardson, expenses to Ottawa.....	47 75
		Commission to Beachburg.....	13 20
July	8—	Expenses Grand Lodge.....	4,000 00
	25—	Chief Clerk.....	250 00
		Stenographer.....	125 00
		Clerk.....	100 00
		Grand Secretary.....	300 00
		J. B. Nixon.....	300 00
		E. B. Brown, Chairman Fraternal Cor.....	250 00
		Rent, Collegiate Institute, Ottawa.....	50 00
		Macoomb Press, Printing.....	274 53
		Mortimer Co., Printing.....	163 78
Aug.	13—	Canadian Surety Co.....	12 50
		Robert Raw and Co.....	34 49
		Insurance.....	21 75
		Bell Telephone Co.....	6 28
		Robert Duncan Co.....	60 00
	31—	J. B. Nixon.....	300 00
		Chief Clerk.....	250 00
		Stenographer.....	125 00
		Clerk.....	100 00
		W. N. Ponton.....	600 00
		F. W. Harcourt.....	500 00
		W. J. Drope.....	125 00
		W. J. Drope, postage.....	15 00
		George S. May, postage.....	10 00
		Thomas Rowe, postage.....	20 00
		J. H. Burritt, postage.....	15 00
		Insurance.....	27 53
		Bell Telephone Co.....	6 28
		Hamshaw & McLean.....	7 72
		Robt. Duncan Co.....	46 55
		Insurance.....	27 54
		Insurance.....	27 53
Sep.	30—	Grand Treasurer.....	75 00
		Auditor.....	150 00
		Rent.....	250 00
		Grand Secretary.....	1,250 00
		Chief Clerk.....	250 00
		Stenographer.....	125 00
		Clerk.....	100 00
		Robert Raw and Co.....	19 04

	Robert Duncan Co.....	99 45
	Times Job Print	7 75
	Bell Telephone Co.....	6 28
	John McKerracher.....	16 00
	Grand Secretary	109 30
Oct.	17—Grand Secretary.....	300 00
	25—Chief Clerk.....	250 00
	Stenographer.....	125 00
	Clerk.....	100 00
	Grand Secretary.....	164 00
	Robert Raw & Co.....	8 00
	Bell Telephone Co.....	6 28
	A. C. Turnbull, Registers.....	37 50
	United Typewriter.....	5 10
	Robert Duncan Co.....	31 25
	W. R. Crockett & Son, Binding.....	58 50
	Mailing Tubes.....	9 89
	Wm. Bruce, engrossing.....	42 50
	J. B. Nixon	300 00
Nov.	1—Testimonial to F. W. Harcourt.....	500 00
	30—Bell Telephone Co.....	6 28
	Hamilton Paper Box, mailing covers	33 50
	Robert Raw & Co.....	7 50
	Howell Lithographing Co., certificates.....	847 83
	Chief Clerk.....	250 00
	Stenographer.....	125 00
	Clerk.....	100 00
	Robert Duncan Co.....	2,168 79
Dec.	19—Canadian Surety Co.....	12 50
	J. B. Nixon.....	300 00
	Grand Secretary.....	1,250 00
	Grand Treasurer.....	75 00
	Auditor.....	150 00
	Chief Clerk.....	250 00
	Stenographer.....	125 00
	Clerk.....	100 00
	Rent.....	250 00
1922		
Jan.	25—Bell Telephone Co.....	13 21
	Robert Duncan Co.....	58 35
	Hamilton Hydro Electric.....	12 00
	J. B. Nixon.....	235 00
	Robert Raw & Co.....	439 00
	Grand Secretary.....	300 00
	Chief Clerk.....	250 00
	Stenographer.....	125 00
	Clerk.....	100 00
Feb.	28—W. R. Draper Co., musical rituals.....	556 22
	Ambrose Kent & Son, ballots.....	15 00
	Howell Lithographing Co.....	51 50
	Robert Duncan Co.....	4 00
	Times Job Print	74 00
	Robert Raw & Co.....	17 75
	Chief Clerk	250 00
	Stenographer.....	125 00

	Clerk	100 00
	Bell Telephone Co.....	6 28
	Grand Master.....	600 00
	Grand Master's Stenographer.....	100 00
	Grand Secretary, postage for G.M.....	75 00
	Grand Secretary, extra clerk.....	90 00
	Bell Telephone Co.....	6 28
Mar. 31—	W. J. Drope.....	125 00
	Victory Lodge, No. 547	77 00
	Grand Treasurer.....	75 00
	Grand Secretary.....	1,250 00
	Auditor	150 00
	Chief Clerk.....	250 00
	Stenographer.....	125 00
	Clerk	100 00
	Rent	250 00
	Bell Telephone Co.....	6 28
	Robert Raw & Co.....	2,049 50
	Robert Duncan Co.....	18 25
	Office Specialty Co.....	31 42
	William Bruce.....	2 50
Apr. 26—	Safety Deposit Box	40 00
	Robert Raw & Co.....	2,126 25
	Canadian Surety Co.	12 50
	W. J. Drope.....	91 50
	Grand Secretary	100 00
	Bell Telephone Co.....	6 28
	Chief Clerk.....	250 00
	Stenographer	125 00
	Clerk.....	100 00
May 31—	Chief Clerk	250 00
	Stenographer.....	125 00
	Clerk.....	100 00
	Grand Secretary.....	91 00
	R. F. Richardson.....	99 00
	Bell Telephone.....	6 28
	Robert Raw & Co.....	51 25
	Robert Duncan Co.....	106 50

\$33,215 90

Benevolent Orders	\$ 73,440 00
Investments	45,809 69
Bal. on deposit, May 31st, 1922	\$10,095 81
Less outstanding cheques	1,829 03

8,266 78

\$160,732 37

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Statement of Assets at May 31st, 1922.

Securities	Rate of Interest		Cost Value	Face Value
	Bear	Yield		
Dominion of Canada War Loan.....	5 1/2	5 1/2	\$ 50,500 00	\$ 50,500 00
Dominion of Canada War Loan.....	5 1/2	6 1/4	4,650 00	5,000 00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	5 1/2	5 1/2	11,000 00	11,000 00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	5 3/4	5 3/4	10,000 00	10,000 00
Landed Banking & Loan Company.....	6	6	5,000 00	5,000 00
Berlin, Town of.....	5	5	4,241 67	4,241 67
Brampton, Town of.....	6	6	693 25	693 25
Brandon, City of.....	5	4 3/8	2,116 04	2,000 00
Brantford, City of.....	4	3 7/8	8,173 60	8,000 00
Brantford, City of.....	4 1/2	6	4,442 00	5,000 00
Brockville, City of.....	4	4 1/2	1,231 70	1,319 86
Brockville, City of.....	4	4 3/8	1,539 70	1,620 73
Hamilton City of.....	5 1/2	5.30	5,196 26	5,072 00
Hamilton, City of.....	6	6	2,000 00	2,000 00
Hamilton, City of.....	4	6	4,284 00	5,000 00
Hamilton, City of.....	6	5.80	5,149 30	5,000 00
Kincardine, Town of.....	5	4.90	509 80	500 00
Manitoba, Province of.....	5 1/2	5.30	7,143 50	7,000 00
New Westminster, City of.....	5	4.80	5,125 50	5,000 00
New Westminster, City of.....	5	4 3/4	5,280 50	5,000 00
Oxford, County of.....	5	4.60	1,613 60	1,509 58
Ontario, Province of.....	6	6.55	3,790 00	4,000 00
Ontario, Province of.....	6	6.30	9,700 00	10,000 00
Ontario, Province of.....	6	6.50	10,463 75	11,000 00
Ontario, Province of.....	6	6.05	4,975 00	5,000 00
Ontario, Province of.....	6	6	10,000 00	10,000 00
Ontario, Province of.....	6	5.40	16,160 50	15,000 00
Peterborough, City of.....	4 1/2	4 1/2	5,121 37	5,121 37
Port Arthur, City of.....	5	4 3/4	1,009 31	1,000 00
Strathcona, City of.....	4 1/2	4 3/4	4,842 00	5,018 28
St. Thomas, City of.....	4	4 1/8	12,026 07	12,148 50
Stratford, City of.....	4 1/2	4 5/8	980 95	1,000 00
Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry.....	6 1/2	6 1/2	15,057 18	15,057 18
Toronto, City of.....	3 1/2	4.05	4,484 14	4,866 66
Toronto, City of.....	5 1/2	5.40	8,152 80	8,000 00
Toronto, City of.....	5 1/2	6 1/4	5,681 40	6,000 00
Toronto, City of.....	6	6 1/4	11,600 40	12,000 00
Toronto, City of.....	6	6 1/4	2,901 30	3,000 00
Woodstock, City of.....	5 1/2	6	4,655 80	5,000 00
York, Township of.....	6	6	10,000 00	10,000 00
York, Township of.....	5 1/2	5 3/4	981 40	1,000 00
York, Township of.....	6	5 3/4	4,074 40	4,000 00
			\$ 286,548 19	\$ 288,669 08

Balance in Bank of Commerce.....	\$ 10,095 81	
Less Outstanding Cheques	1,829 03	
	<hr/>	88,266 78
		<hr/>
		\$296,935 86

The attached statement of assets shows the amount to the credit of the General Fund on the 31st of May, 1922, and the sums invested, with the rates of interest. All the Debentures are deposited in the vaults of the Toronto General Trusts Corporation, and are under the care of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary, who, in addition to the Vault Clerk of the Toronto General Trusts Corporation, hold check keys of the rented box where the debentures are deposited.

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer.

Audited—certified to as being correct.

HARRY VIGEON, F. C. A.
Auditor.

THE SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

I herewith submit a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Semi-Centennial Fund for the year ended 31st May, 1922.

RECEIPTS

To balance at credit of the account in Canadian Bank of Commerce on the 31st May, 1921	\$2,715 49	
Outstanding Cheques.....	1,350 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,365 49
Amount received from Grand Secretary during the year ended 31st May, 1921.....		21 00
Interest on Investments.....		5,030 95
Interest on Bank Deposits.....		63 51
Benevolent cheques cancelled.....		37 50
Debentures Matured:		
Kitchener.....	\$925 03	
Kitchener.....	79 45	
Brampton.....	613 14	
Brandon.....	4,000 00	
Hamilton.....	1,051 09	
	<hr/>	6,668 71
		<hr/>
		\$13,187 16

DISBURSEMENTS

Purchase:		
Township of York.....	1,382 41	
Township of Etobicoke.....	4,621 85	
Province of Ontario.....	1,632 19	
	<hr/>	7,636 45
Benevolent Orders.....		4,970 00
Peterboro Coupon charged back and again deposited.....		22 50
Balance in Canadian Bank of Commerce.....	1,420 71	
Outstanding cheques.....	862 50	
	<hr/>	558 21
		<hr/>
		\$13,187 16

All of which is fraternally submitted.

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer.

Audited and found correct.

HARRY VIGEON, F.C.A.,
Auditor.

Toronto, June 17th, 1922.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND

Statement of Assets at May 31st, 1922.

Securities	Rate of Interest		Cost Value	Face Value
	Bear	Yield		
Dominion of Canada, War Loan.....	5½	5½	\$ 5,400 00	\$ 5,400 00
Dominion of Canada, War Loan.....	5	5·30	5,183 00	5,200 00
Dominion of Canada, War Loan.....	5½	6¼	837 00	900 00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	5½	5½	5,000 00	5,000 00
Berlin, Town of.....	5	4½	700 90	679 23
Brampton, Town of.....	6	6	649 93	649 93
Belleville, City of.....	5¾	6	839 07	820 28
Calgary, City of.....	4½	4½	4,000 00	4,000 00
Durham, Town of.....	5	5½	1,439 71	1,528 43
Etobicoke, Township of.....	6½	6½	4,514 90	4,514 90
Galt, Town of.....	4	5	1,695 60	2,000 00
Hamilton, City of.....	6	6	3,000 00	3,000 00
Hamilton, City of.....	5½	5·30	1,023 80	1,000 00
Ingersoll, Town of.....	4	5	891 60	1,000 00
Kincardine, Town of.....	5	4¾	1,019 60	1,000 00
N. Vancouver, Dist. of.....	4½	4¾	2,880 60	3,000 00
Oakville, Town of.....	5	4½	4,971 42	4,787 92
Oshawa, Town of.....	4½	4½	4,316 40	4,316 40
Owen Sound, Town of.....	4½	5	940 10	1,000 00
Owen Sound, Town of.....	5	4¼	2,200 80	2,000 00
Owen Sound, Town of.....	5	5·20	1,950 60	2,000 00
Ontario, Province of.....	6	5·40	1,606 05	1,500 00
Peterborough, City of.....	3	4	1,693 20	2,000 00
Peterborough, City of.....	4¾	4½	1,905 20	1,850 00
Peterborough, City of.....	4½	4½	3,854 72	3,854 72
St. Catharines, City of.....	4	4¼	5,141 74	5,319 96
St. Marys, Town of.....	4½	4·80	8,658 63	9,000 00
Saltfleet, Township of.....	5	4¾	4,119 22	4,000 00
Sault Ste. Marie, Town of.....	5	4¾	1,862 64	1,800 00
Seaforth, Town of.....	5	4¾	4,105 56	4,000 00
Shuniah, Municipality of.....	5	4	1,015 90	1,000 00
Strathroy, Town of.....	5	5¾	1,459 73	1,546 54
Toronto, City of.....	5½	6	943 00	1,000 00
Walkerville, City of.....	4½	5⅛	599 88	639 13
Windsor, City of.....	4	4½	3,867 97	4,083 89
Windsor, City of.....	5	6	2,430 70	2,706 65
Woodstock, City of.....	4½	4·05	4,240 00	4,000 00
York, Township of.....	6	6½	1,382 41	1,440 72
Hamilton Masonic Hall Association.....	6	6	100 00	100 00
			102,441 58	\$103,638 70

The attached statement of assets shows the amount to the credit of Semi-Centennial Fund on the 31st of May, 1922, and the sums invested, with the rates of interest. All the Debentures are deposited in the vaults of the Toronto General Trusts Corporation, and are under the care of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary, who, in addition to the Vault Clerk of the Toronto General Trusts Corporation, hold check keys of the rented box where the debentures are deposited.

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer.

Audited—certified to as being correct,

HARRY VIGEON, F. C. A.,
Auditor.

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in
the Province of Ontario:

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

I beg leave to present my annual report, containing an account of all moneys received by me, and paid to the Grand Treasurer, during the year ending the 31st May, 1922.

The following statements are herewith submitted, viz.:

A Summary of receipts from various sources on General Account; Details of Receipts on General Account and Ledger Balances as at the 31st May, 1922; a Summary of Receipts for the year; Details of Payments to the Grand Treasurer; a Summary of Expenditure; Details of the Returns of Lodges as at the 24th June, 1922; a Summary of the Receipts and of Payments to the Grand Treasurer on account of the Semi-Centennial Fund; and a Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements on the Semi-Centennial Fund Revenue Account.

**Details of Receipts of Grand Lodge on General Account.
and Ledger Balances, Year ending May 31st, 1922.**

No.	Name of Lodge.	Location	Amt.	Balance	
				Dr.	Cr.
2	Niagara.....	Niagara.....	186 50		50
3	Ancient St. John's.....	Kingston.....	443 50		
5	Sussex.....	Brockville.....	420 50	15 00	
6	Barton.....	Hamilton.....	444 80	7 00	
7	Union.....	Grimsby.....	263 00	6 00	
9	Union.....	Napanee.....	283 00	5 00	
10	Norfolk.....	Simcoe.....	191 50	7 70	
11	Moir.....	Belleville.....	501 50		50
14	True Britons.....	Perth.....	197 00		
15	St. George's.....	St. Catharines.....	439 60	2 00	
16	St. Andrew's.....	Toronto.....	669 00	30 00	
17	St. John's.....	Cobourg.....	326 20	6 00	
18	Prince Edward.....	Picton.....	267 00	1 00	
20	St. John's.....	London.....	512 40	18 00	
21a	St. John's.....	Vankleek Hill.....	222 40		
22	King Solomon's.....	Toronto.....	588 50	12 00	
23	Richmond.....	Richmond Hill.....	162 00	2 00	
24	St. Francis.....	Smith's Falls.....	271 00	4 00	
25	Ionic.....	Toronto.....	316 00		
26	Ontario.....	Port Hope.....	178 50		
27	Strict Observance.....	Hamilton.....	576 00	6 00	
28	Mount Zion.....	Kemptville.....	161 50		
29	United.....	Brighton.....	241 50	3 50	
30	Composite.....	Whitby.....	166 00	1 00	
31	Jerusalem.....	Bowmanville.....	244 50	3 00	
32	Amity.....	Dunnville.....	286 00	6 00	
33	Maitland.....	Goderich.....	292 50		
34	Thistle.....	Amherstburg.....	233 50	8 50	
35	St. John's.....	Cayuga.....	173 50		
37	King Hiram.....	Ingersoll.....	208 50	4 00	
38	Trent.....	Trenton.....	294 00		
39	Mount Zion.....	Brooklin.....	99 50	12 00	
40	St. John's.....	Hamilton.....	739 60	12 00	
41	St. George's.....	Kingsville.....	305 00	6 00	
42	St. George's.....	London.....	441 50	1 00	
43	King Solomon's.....	Woodstock.....	457 50		
44	St. Thomas.....	St. Thomas.....	551 50	6 00	
45	Brant.....	Brantford.....	521 50	15 00	
46	Wellington.....	Chatham.....	443 50	6 00	
47	Great Western.....	Windsor.....	1,268 40	5 50	
48	Madoc.....	Madoc.....	147 00		
50	Consecon.....	Consecon.....	118 00		
52	Dalhousie.....	Ottawa.....	827 00		
54	Vaughan.....	Maple.....	140 00		
55	Merrickville.....	Merrickville.....	125 50	2 00	
56	Victoria.....	Sarnia.....	385 15	13 00	
57	Harmony.....	Binbrook.....	171 50		
58	Doric.....	Ottawa.....	452 50	30 00	
61	Acacia.....	Hamilton.....	897 60	7 00	

62	St. Andrew's.....	Caledonia	153 00		
63	St. John's	Carleton Place...	230 50		
64	Kilwinning.....	London.....	504 00	13 00	
65	Rehoboam.....	Toronto.....	564 00	6 00	
66	Durham.....	Newcastle.....	77 50		
68	St. John's.....	Ingersoll.....	207 50	7 00	
69	Stirling.....	Stirling.....	159 00	7 25	
72	Alma.....	Galt.....	227 50	5 00	
73	St. James'.....	St. Marys.....	189 50		
74	St. James'.....	South Augusta	90 50		
75	St. John's.....	Toronto.....	341 20	4 50	
76	Oxford.....	Woodstock.....	408 50		
77	Faithful Brethren.....	Lindsay.....	428 50		
78	King Hiram.....	Tillsonburg.....	218 50	6 00	
79	Simcoe.....	Bradford.....	137 50		
81	St. John's.....	Mount Brydges	132 00	4 00	
82	St. John's.....	Paris.....	215 00		2 00
83	Beaver.....	Strathroy.....	211 50	50	
84	Clinton.....	Clinton.....	134 00		
85	Rising Sun.....	Athens.....	120 50		
86	Wilson.....	Toronto.....	654 00		50
87	Markham Union.....	Markham.....	194 50		
88	St. George's.....	Owen Sound.....	338 50		
90	Manito.....	Collingwood.....	307 00		
91	Colborne.....	Colborne.....	157 00		
92	Cataraqui.....	Kingston.....	547 00	6 00	
93	Northern Light.....	Kincardine.....	214 50		
94	St. Mark.....	Port Stanley.....	98 50	3 00	
96	Corinthian.....	Barrie.....	321 50	12 50	
97	Sharon.....	Queensville.....	115 00	50	
98	True Blue.....	Bolton.....	85 50	2 00	
99	Tuscan.....	Newmarket.....	174 50	2 20	
100	Valley.....	Dundas.....	333 60		
101	Corinthian.....	Peterborough.....	292 00		
103	Maple Leaf.....	St. Catharines.....	494 00		
104	St. John's.....	Norwich.....	163 00	3 00	
105	St. Mark's.....	Niagara Falls.....	365 00	13 00	
106	Burford.....	Burford.....	191 00	50	
107	St. Paul's.....	Lambeth.....	117 50	2 50	
108	Blenheim.....	Princeton.....	135 50		
109	Albion.....	Harrowsmith.....	161 50		
110	Central.....	Prescott.....	205 50		
113	Wilson.....	Waterford.....	203 00		
114	Hope.....	Port Hope.....	244 50		
115	Ivy.....	Beamsville.....	229 50	7 50	
116	Cassia.....	Theford.....	98 00	4 00	
118	Union.....	Schomberg.....	105 00		50
119	Maple Leaf.....	Bath.....	166 50	3 00	
120	Warren.....	Fingal.....	95 00		
121	Doric.....	Brantford.....	575 00	12 50	
122	Renfrew.....	Renfrew.....	215 00		
123	Belleville.....	Belleville.....	452 10	18 00	
125	Cornwall.....	Cornwall.....	377 50	10 50	
126	Golden Rule.....	Campbellford.....	220 00		
127	Franck.....	Frankford.....	177 00		
128	Pembroke.....	Pembroke.....	233 50		

129	Rising Sun.....	Aurora.....	164 00	6 00
131	St. Lawrence.....	Southampton.....	126 50	
133	Lebanon Forest.....	Exeter.....	137 50	
135	St. Clair.....	Milton.....	166 20	
136	Richardson.....	Stouffville.....	100 00	
137	Pythagoras.....	Meaford.....	154 50	
139	Lebanon.....	Oshawa.....	283 50	3 00
140	Malahide.....	Aylmer.....	156 00	6 00
141	Tudor.....	Mitchell.....	149 50	5 00
142	Excelsior.....	Morrisburg.....	124 50	
143	Friendly Brothers.....	Iroquois.....	181 00	
144	Tecumseh.....	Stratford.....	445 00	5 00
145	J. B. Hall.....	Millbrook.....	108 00	
146	Prince of Wales.....	Newburgh.....	90 50	1 50
147	Mississippi.....	Almonte.....	183 70	3 00
148	Civil Service.....	Ottawa.....	425 00	
149	Erie.....	Port Dover.....	148 50	
151	Grand River.....	Kitchener.....	404 50	3 00
153	Burns.....	Wyoming.....	155 00	1 00
154	Irving.....	Lucan.....	122 00	
155	Peterborough.....	Peterborough.....	456 00	25 00
156	York.....	Toronto.....	592 00	1 00
157	Simpson.....	Newboro.....	107 50	
158	Alexandra.....	Oil Springs.....	137 50	
159	Goodwood.....	Richmond.....	87 00	1 00
161	Percy.....	Warkworth.....	100 50	
162	Forest.....	Wroxeter.....	62 50	
164	Star in the East.....	Wellington.....	153 00	
165	Burlington.....	Burlington.....	212 50	
166	Wentworth.....	Stoney Creek.....	362 00	1 50
168	Merritt.....	Welland.....	277 50	3 00
169	Macnab.....	Port Colborne.....	189 50	1 00
170	Britannia.....	Seaforth.....	202 50	50
171	Prince of Wales.....	Lawrence St'n.....	67 50	1 00
172	Ayr.....	Ayr.....	112 00	
174	Walsingham.....	Port Rowan.....	146 50	
177	The Builders.....	Ottawa.....	465 50	
178	Plattsville.....	Plattsville.....	78 50	
180	Speed.....	Guelph.....	357 00	6 00
181	Oriental.....	Port Burwell.....	100 00	
184	Old Light.....	Lucknow.....	214 50	3 00
185	Enniskillen.....	York.....	90 50	
186	Plantagenet.....	Riceville.....	56 50	
190	Belmont.....	Belmont.....	145 50	1 00
192	Orillia.....	Orillia.....	471 00	50
193	Scotland.....	Scotland.....	147 00	
194	Petrolia.....	Petrolia.....	226 50	
195	Tuscan.....	London.....	242 00	13 50
196	Madawaska.....	Arnprior.....	226 75	
197	Saugeen.....	Walkerton.....	170 40	4 00
200	St. Alban's.....	Mount Forest.....	147 75	
201	Leeds.....	Gananoque.....	301 20	13 00
203	Irvine.....	Elora.....	130 70	50
205	New Dominion.....	New Hamburg.....	48 50	
207	Lancaster.....	Lancaster.....	158 00	
209a	St. John's.....	London.....	598 50	7 00

209	Evergreen.....	Lanark.....	117 00	
215	Lake.....	Ameliasburg.....	93 00	
216	Harris.....	Orangeville.....	285 50	
217	Frederick.....	Delhi.....	90 50	
218	Stevenson.....	Toronto.....	432 00	7 00
219	Credit.....	Georgetown.....	191 00	7 00
220	Zeredatha.....	Uxbridge.....	232 50	6 00
221	Mountain.....	Thorold.....	323 50	
222	Marmora.....	Marmora.....	145 50	7 25
223	Norwood.....	Norwood.....	162 00	1 00
224	Zurich.....	Hensall.....	112 00	1 00
225	Bernard.....	Listowel.....	268 50	12 00
228	Prince Arthur.....	Odessa.....	123 00	
229	Ionic.....	Brampton.....	334 00	
230	Kerr.....	Barrie.....	333 50	6 00
231	Fidelity.....	Ottawa.....	538 00	
232	Cameron.....	Dutton.....	150 60	1 00
233	Doric.....	Parkhill.....	183 50	1 00
234	Beaver.....	Clarksburg.....	104 00	
235	Aldworth.....	Paisley.....	145 50	6 00
236	Manitoba.....	Cookstown.....	148 50	
237	Vienna.....	Vienna.....	97 00	
238	Havelock.....	Watford.....	130 00	6 00
239	Tweed.....	Tweed.....	208 00	
242	Macoy.....	Mallorytown.....	162 50	1 50
243	St. George.....	St. George.....	107 00	1 50
245	Tecumseh.....	Thamesville.....	122 00	1 00
247	Ashlar.....	Toronto.....	498 00	12 00
249	Caledonian.....	Midland.....	420 00	4 50
250	Thistle.....	Embro.....	145 50	2 00
253	Minden.....	Kingston.....	381 00	10 50
251	Cifton.....	Niagara Falls.....	551 60	8 00
255	Svdenham.....	Presden.....	186 50	2 50
256	Farran's Point.....	Aultsville.....	140 50	
257	Galt.....	Galt.....	311 50	
258	Guelph.....	Guelph.....	268 50	7 00
259	Springfield.....	Springfield.....	169 60	
260	Washington.....	Petrolia.....	223 00	6 00
261	Oak Branch.....	Innerkip.....	66 00	
262	Harriston.....	Harriston.....	163 50	1 50
263	Forest.....	Forest.....	234 50	
264	Chaudiere.....	Ottawa.....	451 00	1 00
265	Patterson.....	Thornhill.....	182 50	10 00
266	Northern Light.....	Stayner.....	70 00	
267	Perithenon.....	Chatham.....	600 00	
268	Verulam.....	Bebeaygeon.....	128 00	60
269	Brougham Union.....	Claremont.....	106 00	
270	Cedar.....	Oshawa.....	356 50	1 50
271	Wellington.....	Erin.....	115 50	5 00
272	Seymour.....	Ancaster.....	191 50	
274	Kent.....	Blenheim.....	222 20	
276	Teeswater.....	Teeswater.....	61 00	
277	Seymour.....	Port Dalhousie.....	117 00	
279	New Hope.....	Hespeler.....	153 00	
282	Lorne.....	Glencoe.....	155 05	7 00
283	Eureka.....	Belleville.....	335 50	6 00

284	St. John's.....	Brussels.....	144	50	
285	Seven Star.....	Alliston.....	174	20	12 00
286	Wingham.....	Wingham.....	158	50	
287	Shuniah.....	Port Arthur.....	547	00	10 70
289	Doric.....	Lobo.....	128	00	
290	Leamington.....	Leamington.....	344	00	14 00
291	Dufferin.....	West Flamboro..	162	00	
292	Robertson.....	King.....	79	00	3 00
294	Moore.....	Courtright.....	94	50	1 00
295	Conestogo.....	Drayton.....	214	00	
296	Temple.....	St. Catharines.....	434	00	6 00
297	Preston.....	Preston.....	190	00	6 00
299	Victoria.....	Centreville.....	85	50	
300	Mount Olivet.....	Thorndale.....	155	50	50
302	St. David.....	St. Thomas.....	520	50	50
303	Blyth.....	Blyth.....	144	50	1 00
304	Minerva.....	Stroud.....	155	00	
305	Humber.....	Weston.....	263	50	10 00
306	Durham.....	Durham.....	151	00	50
307	Arkona.....	Arkona.....	92	10	
309	Morning Star.....	Carlow.....	98	00	12 00
311	Blackwood.....	Woodbridge.....	110	00	2 00
312	Pnyx.....	Wallaceburg.....	268	00	
313	Clementi.....	Lakefield.....	143	00	6 00
314	Blair.....	Palmerston.....	176	50	4 25
315	Clifford.....	Clifford.....	96	00	3 00
316	Doric.....	Toronto.....	555	50	1 00
318	Wilmot.....	Baden.....	47	00	
319	Hiram.....	Hagersville.....	161	50	
320	Chesterville.....	Chesterville.....	151	00	
321	Walker.....	Acton.....	138	50	3 00
322	North Star.....	Owen Sound.....	296	50	6 00
323	Alvinston.....	Alvinston.....	111	50	
324	Temple.....	Hamilton.....	634	50	1 00
325	Orono.....	Orono.....	107	50	
326	Zetland.....	Toronto.....	604	00	8 00
327	Hammond.....	Wardsville.....	51	00	
328	Ionic.....	Napier.....	95	50	
329	King Solomon.....	Jarvis.....	102	00	
330	Corinthian.....	London.....	327	00	3 00
331	Fordwich.....	Fordwich.....	98	10	50
332	Stratford.....	Stratford.....	578	50	
333	Prince Arthur.....	Flesherton.....	116	50	6 00
334	Prince Arthur.....	Arthur.....	74	50	50
336	Highgate.....	Highgate.....	151	50	1 00
337	Myrtle.....	Port Robinson.....	94	00	1 50
338	Dufferin.....	Weilandport.....	182	50	1 00
339	Orient.....	Toronto.....	452	00	1 00
341	Bruce.....	Tipton.....	94	00	
343	Georgina.....	Toronto.....	504	00	6 00
344	Merrill.....	Dorchester St'n.	87	50	
345	Niestown.....	Niestown.....	140	50	7 00
346	Occident.....	Toronto.....	584	50	50
347	Mercer.....	Fergus.....	124	00	6 50
348	Georgian.....	Penetanguishene	177	50	1 00
352	Granite.....	Parry Sound.....	304	00	6 00

354	Brock.....	Cannington.....	107	50	
356	River Park.....	Streetsville.....	161	00	
357	Waterdown.....	Millgrove.....	210	70	50
358	Delaware Valley.....	Delaware.....	59	50	
359	Vittoria.....	Vittoria.....	68	00	
360	Muskoka.....	Bracebridge.....	111	50	3 00
361	Waverly.....	Guelph.....	518	50	12 75
362	Maple Leaf.....	Tara.....	111	00	
364	Dufferin.....	Melbourne.....	84	50	
367	St. George.....	Toronto.....	506	50	
368	Salem.....	Brockville.....	335	50	
369	Mimico.....	Lambton Mills.....	306	00	1 00
370	Harmony.....	Delta.....	99	50	
371	Prince of Wales.....	Ottawa.....	353	50	25 00
372	Palmer.....	Bridgeburg.....	224	50	
373	Copestone.....	Welland.....	313	00	
374	Keene.....	Keene.....	37	00	
375	Lorne.....	Omemece.....	116	00	
376	Unity.....	Huntsville.....	214	50	
377	Lorne.....	Shelburne.....	176	00	
378	King Solomon's.....	London.....	632	50	2 50
379	Middlesex.....	Bryanston.....	62	50	
380	Union.....	London.....	408	50	
382	Doric.....	Hamilton.....	590	50	6 00
383	Henderson.....	Winchester.....	122	00	
384	Alpha.....	Toronto.....	669	00	
385	Spry.....	Beeton.....	100	00	
386	McCull.....	West Lorne.....	183	00	6 00
387	Landsowne.....	Lansdowne.....	91	00	7 00
388	Henderson.....	Ilderton.....	147	50	
389	Crystal Fountain.....	North Augusta.....	115	00	
390	Florence.....	Florence.....	95	00	7 50
391	Howard.....	Ridgetown.....	228	00	7 00
392	Huron.....	Camlachie.....	111	00	
393	Forest.....	Chesley.....	169	00	
394	King Solomon.....	Thamesford.....	121	50	
395	Parvaim.....	Comber.....	85	50	
396	Cedar.....	Warton.....	216	50	
397	Leopold.....	Brigden.....	117	00	1 00
398	Victoria.....	Kirkfield.....	121	00	
399	Moffatt.....	Harrietsville.....	73	00	
400	Oakville.....	Oakville.....	252	50	13 50
401	Craig.....	Deseronto.....	150	50	6 00
402	Central.....	Essex.....	229	50	1 00
403	Windsor.....	Windsor.....	710	00	14 00
404	Lorne.....	Tamworth.....	99	50	
405	Mattawa.....	Mattawa.....	150	70	
406	Spry.....	Fenelon Falls.....	124	50	
408	Murray.....	Beaverton.....	139	00	
409	Golden Rule.....	Gravenhurst.....	161	50	2 50
410	Zeta.....	Toronto.....	549	00	
411	Rodney.....	Rodney.....	114	00	
412	Keystone.....	Sault Ste. Marie.....	561	50	7 60
413	Naphtali.....	Tilbury.....	138	50	6 00
414	Pequonga.....	Kenora.....	299	00	10 20
415	Fort William.....	Fort William.....	438	50	7 00

416	Lyn.....	Lyn.....	78 00	4 00
417	Keewatin.....	Keewatin.....	116 00	
418	Maxville.....	Maxville.....	116 50	6 00
419	Liberty.....	Sarnia.....	169 50	6 00
420	Nipissing.....	North Bay.....	397 50	
421	Scott.....	Grand Valley.....	130 00	
422	Star of the East.....	Bothwell.....	107 00	
423	Strong.....	Sundridge.....	127 00	1 50
424	Doric.....	Pickering.....	58 00	
425	St. Clair.....	Sombra.....	115 60	
426	Stanley.....	Toronto.....	896 00	87 00
427	Nickel.....	Sudbury.....	417 00	
428	Fidelity.....	Port Perry.....	200 50	6 00
429	Port Elgin.....	Port Elgin.....	129 50	
430	Acacia.....	Toronto.....	468 50	18 00
431	Moravian.....	Cargill.....	89 00	
432	Hanover.....	Hanover.....	117 50	8 00
433	Bonnechere.....	Eganville.....	147 00	
434	Algonquin.....	Emsdale.....	172 00	
435	Havelock.....	Havelock.....	173 50	12 00
436	Burns.....	Hepworth.....	106 50	
437	Tuscan.....	Sarnia.....	502 50	13 00
438	Harmony.....	Toronto.....	560 00	2 00
439	Alexandria.....	Alexandria.....	92 00	1 20
440	Arcadia.....	Minden.....	104 25	6 00
441	Westport.....	Westport.....	121 50	50
442	Dyment.....	Thessalon.....	146 50	
443	Powassan.....	Powassan.....	100 00	15 00
444	Nitetis.....	Creemore.....	112 00	
445	Lake of the Woods.....	Kenora.....	83 00	6 00
446	Granite.....	Fort Francis.....	284 50	90
447	Sturgeon Falls.....	Sturgeon Falls.....	105 00	2 80
448	Xenophon.....	Wheatley.....	82 00	
449	Dundalk.....	Dundalk.....	91 00	
450	Hawkesbury.....	Hawkesbury.....	139 00	
451	Somerville.....	Kinmount.....	83 35	
452	Avonmore.....	Avonmore.....	123 50	
453	Royal.....	Fort William.....	265 50	1 00
454	Corona.....	Burk's Falls.....	140 00	1 00
455	Doric.....	Little Current.....	130 00	
456	Elma.....	Monkton.....	62 00	4 00
457	Century.....	Merlin.....	135 50	50
458	Wales.....	Wales.....	138 50	
459	Cobden.....	Cobden.....	146 00	12 00
460	Rideau.....	Seeley's Bay.....	86 50	3 00
461	Ionic.....	Rainy River.....	135 35	2 50
462	Temiskaming.....	New Liskeard.....	247 50	6 00
463	North Entrance.....	Haliburton.....	88 75	1 00
464	King Edward.....	Sunderland.....	117 10	
465	Carleton.....	Carp.....	102 00	50
466	Coronation.....	Elmvale.....	119 00	2 00
467	Tottenham.....	Tottenham.....	103 00	
468	Peel.....	Caledon East.....	122 00	
469	Algoma.....	Sault Ste. Marie.....	348 00	
470	Victoria.....	Victoria Harbour.....	162 10	7 00
471	King Edward VII.....	Chippawa.....	114 30	8 00

472	Gore Bay.....	Gore Bay.....	149 00	1 00	
473	The Beaches.....	Toronto.....	348 50	7 75	
474	Victoria.....	Toronto.....	685 50	13 00	
475	Dundurn.....	Hamilton.....	795 00	6 50	
476	Corinthian.....	North Gower.....	109 00		
477	Harding.....	Woodville.....	81 70	3 00	
478	Milverton.....	Milverton.....	101 50	3 00	
479	Russell.....	Russell.....	172 00		50
480	Williamsburg.....	Williamsburg.....	85 50		2 50
481	Corinthian.....	Toronto.....	546 50	3 50	
482	Bancroft.....	Bancroft.....	190 25		
483	Granton.....	Granton.....	112 00		
484	Golden Star.....	Dryden.....	168 80		
485	Haileybury.....	Haileybury.....	237 25		
486	Silver.....	Cobalt.....	306 50		
487	Penewobikong.....	Blind River.....	78 00		
488	King Edward.....	Harrow.....	98 60	3 00	
489	Osiris.....	Smith's Falls.....	171 00	7 00	
490	Hiram.....	Markdale.....	59 00		
491	Cardinal.....	Cardinal.....	113 00		
492	Karnak.....	Coldwater.....	112 50		
493	St. Marys.....	St. Marys.....	223 00	3 00	
494	Riverdale.....	Toronto.....	510 00		
495	Electric.....	Hamilton.....	651 00	10 00	
496	University.....	Toronto.....	572 00		50
497	St. Andrew's.....	Arden.....	85 50	50	
498	King George V.....	Coboconk.....	93 50		
499	Port Arthur.....	Port Arthur.....	353 50	6 00	
500	Rose.....	Windsor.....	202 50	1 00	
501	Connaught.....	Mimico.....	243 00	1 00	
502	Coronation.....	Smithville.....	101 00	6 00	
503	Inwood.....	Inwood.....	184 10		
504	Otter.....	Lon bardy.....	43 50		50
505	Lynden.....	Lynden.....	90 50		
506	Porcupine.....	Porcupine.....	255 00	7 00	
507	Elk Lake.....	Elk Lake.....	96 50		
508	Oxis.....	Prantford.....	235 50	8 50	
509	Twin City.....	Fitchener.....	244 50	5 50	
510	Parkdale.....	Toronto.....	252 40	1 00	
511	Connaught.....	W. Fort William.....	176 50		
512	Malene.....	Sutton.....	131 50		
513	Corinthian.....	Hamilton.....	696 20	14 00	
514	St. Alban's.....	Toronto.....	517 00	10 00	
515	Reba.....	Prantford.....	272 50		
516	Enterprise.....	Beachburg.....	94 50		
517	Hazeldean.....	Hazeldean.....	70 00	8 00	
518	Sioux Lookout.....	Sioux Lookout.....	247 50	1 00	
519	Onondaga.....	Onondaga.....	108 50	1 80	
520	Coronati.....	Toronto.....	438 00	26 00	
521	Ontario.....	Windsor.....	529 50	19 50	
522	Mount Sinai.....	Toronto.....	529 50		
523	Royal Arthur.....	Peterborough.....	158 50		3 00
524	Mississauga.....	Port Credit.....	151 00	6 00	
525	Temple.....	Toronto.....	375 50	13 50	
526	Ionic.....	Westboro.....	232 00		
527	Espanola.....	Espanola.....	106 60	3 00	

528	Golden Beaver.....	Timmius.....	166 00	
529	Myra.....	Komoka.....	78 00	50
530	Cochrane.....	Cochrane.....	165 00	
531	High Park.....	Toronto.....	802 60	26 00
532	Canada.....	Toronto.....	453 50	1 00
533	Shamrock.....	Toronto.....	585 00	4 50
534	Englehart.....	Englehart.....	152 00	12 50
535	Phoenix.....	Fonthill.....	106 30	6 00
536	Algonquin.....	Copper Cliff.....	129 00	
537	Ulster.....	Toronto.....	848 50	1 00
538	Earl Kitchener.....	Port McNicoll.....	65 00	3 00
539	Waterloo.....	Waterloo.....	142 50	
540	Abitibi.....	Iroquois Falls.....	179 50	
541	Tuscan.....	Toronto.....	550 00	26 00
542	Metropolitan.....	Toronto.....	189 00	1 00
543	Imperial.....	Toronto.....	231 50	13 00
544	Lincoln.....	Abingdon.....	86 20	50
545	John Ross R't'son	Toronto.....	423 00	27 00
546	Talbot.....	St. Thomas.....	258 00	15 00
547	Victory.....	Toronto.....	177 50	3 50
548	General Mercer.....	Toronto.....	325 00	2 00
549	Ionic.....	Hamilton.....	306 50	14 00
550	Buchanan.....	Hamilton.....	359 00	
551	Tuscan.....	Hamilton.....	706 50	6 00
552	Queen City.....	Toronto.....	424 00	1 00
553	Oakwood.....	Toronto.....	296 10	12 00
554	Border Cities.....	Windsor.....	156 00	20 60
555	Wardrope.....	Hamilton.....	493 50	15 00
556	Nation.....	Spencerville.....	99 50	
557	Finch.....	Finch.....	91 50	
558	Sidney Albert Luke	Ottawa.....	166 00	7 00
559	Palestine.....	Toronto.....	1,272 00	1 00
560	St. Andrew's.....	Ottawa.....	219 00	1 00
561	Acacia.....	Westboro.....	160 00	
562	Hamilton.....	Hamilton.....	659 00	6 00
563	Victory.....	Chatham.....	262 00	8 00
564	Ashlar.....	Ottawa.....	186 00	
565	Kilwinning.....	Toronto.....	436 00	30 00
566	King Hiram.....	Toronto.....	259 75	3 00
567	St. Aidan's.....	Toronto.....	85 50	6 00
568	Hullett.....	Londesboro.....	61 40	6 00
569	Doric.....	Lakeside.....	71 50	
570	Dufferin.....	Toronto.....	268 50	
571	Antiquity.....	Toronto.....	284 50	
572	Mizpah.....	Toronto.....	702 50	28 50
573	Adairam.....	Niagara Falls.....	394 00	14 00
574	Craig.....	Ailsa Craig.....	140 00	
575	Fidelity.....	Toronto.....	742 50	9 00
576	Mimosa.....	Toronto.....	293 00	11 00
577	St. Clair.....	Toronto.....	442 50	12 50
578	Queen's.....	Kingston.....	150 10	10 00
579	Harmony.....	Windsor.....	187 80	12 00
580	Acacia.....	London.....	207 00	
581	Harcourt.....	Toronto.....	119 50	
582	Sunnyside.....	Toronto.....	326 50	31 00
583	Transportation.....	Toronto.....	216 10	12 90

U. D. Kaministiquia.....	Fort William.....	125 00	
U. D. Royal Edward.....	Kingston.....	71 00	6 00
U. D. War Veterans.....	Toronto.....	196 85	12 50
U. D. Patricia.....	Toronto.....	181 50	16 00
U. D. National.....	Capreol.....	81 50	9 50
U. D. Grey.....	Toronto.....	93 00	12 00
U. D. Defenders.....	Ottawa.....	79 50	6 00
U. D. North Gate.....	Toronto.....	20 00	24 00
U. D. Fairbank.....	Toronto.....	45 00	
U. D. St. Andrews.....	Hamilton.....	20 00	18 00
U. D. Hillcrest.....	Hamilton.....	20 00	23 50
U. D. Rideau.....	Ottawa.....	20 00	25 50
U. D. Martintown.....	Martintown.....	20 00	
U. D. Temple.....	London.....	20 00	7 50
U. D. Dominion.....	Windsor.....		32 00
U. D. Mount Dennis.....	Toronto.....	20 00	60 50
U. D. Maple Leaf.....	Toronto.....	20 00	12 50
U. D. St. Paul.....	Sarnia.....	30 00	2 50
U. D. Hugh Murray.....	Hamilton.....	6 00	26 00
U. D. Campbell.....	Campbellville.....	32 50	
U. D. Palace.....	Windsor.....		20 00
U. D. Melita.....	Toronto.....		20 00
U. D. Unity.....	Toronto.....	20 00	6 00
U. D. Golden Fleece.....	Toronto.....	20 00	
U. D. Gothic.....	Lindsay.....	20 00	
U. D. Tavistock.....	Tavistock.....	20 00	
U. D. Frontenac.....	Sharbot Lake.....		20 00
Total Receipts from Lodges.....		\$122,890 00	
Sundries.....		1,018 95	
Interest.....		15,809 69	
Debentures matured.....		11,132 01	
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		\$150,850 65	

GENERAL ACCOUNT
SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS
 YEAR ENDED MAY 31ST., 1922

Fees, Registration of initiations.....	\$ 24042 00
Fees, Registration of affiliations.....	1020 50
Dues.....	85002 50
Certificates.....	115 00
Constitutions.....	3887 00
Ceremonies.....	183 60
Dispensations.....	1228 00
Commutations of Dues.....	7112 00
Warrants.....	180 00
Musical Rituals.....	161 00
Miscellaneous.....	977 35
	<u>\$123908 95</u>

Interest on Debentures and Bank Account:

Dominion of Canada War Loans.....	\$4026 88
Landed Banking and Loan Co.,.....	275 00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	605 00
Town of Berlin.....	276 15
Town of Brampton.....	80 84
City of Brandon.....	100 00
City of Brantford.....	545 00
City of Brockville.....	156 05
City of Hamilton.....	1069 84
Town of Kincardine.....	25 00
Province of Manitoba.....	385 00
City of New Westminster.....	500 00
County of Oxford.....	75 48
Province of Ontario.....	2400 00
City of Peterborough.....	230 46
City of Port Arthur.....	50 00
City of Stratheona.....	225 82
City of St. Thomas.....	485 95
City of Stratford.....	45 00
Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry.....	978 72
City of Toronto.....	1390 32
City of Woodstock.....	275 00
Township of York.....	895 00
U.S. Exchange on Bonds.....	79 04
Bank Interest.....	634 14
	<u>15809 69</u>

Total Revenue General Account:

\$139718 64

Debentures matured and paid—

City of Brockville.....	579 77
Town of Brampton.....	654 02
Landed Banking and Loan Co.....	5000 00
City of Hamilton.....	3616 81
Town of Berlin.....	1281 41
	<u>11132 01</u>
	<u>\$150850 65</u>

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE

GENERAL ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED MAY 31ST., 1922

E. T. Malone, Grand Treasurer, salary to 31st March, 1922.....	275 00	
W. M. Logan, Grand Secretary, salary to 31st March, 1922.....	5000 00	
H. Vigeon, Auditor, salary to 31st, March 1922..	600 00	
W. J. Attig, Chief Clerk, salary to 31st May, 1922	2916 66	
J. Place, Stenographer, salary to 31st. May, 1922	1500 00	
F. J. Brown, Clerk, salary to 31st May, 1922.....	1200 00	
Incidental Expenses, Grand Secretary's office.....	1300 00	
Printing and Stationery.....	8592 62	
Certificates and Warrants.....	1158 99	
Telephone Service.....	76 01	
Insurance on furniture, books, regalia and premium on bonds of Grand Secretary and Chief Clerk.....	141 85	
Safety Deposit Box rental, Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	40 00	
Office Rent, Hamilton Masonic Hall Assoc.....	1000 00	
Postage on Proceedings	164 00	
Expenses of Grand Lodge and Board of General Purposes at Ottawa, 1921	4207 05	
Postage for G.M. and Chairmen of Committees	135 00	
Inspection of Benevolent Grants.....	1200 00	
Expenses of Inspector of Benevolent Grants.....	235 00	
E. B. Brown, Chairman of Committee on Fraternal Correspondence.....	250 00	
Allowance to M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Grand Master 1920-1921.....	500 00	
Allowance to Grand Master, 1921-1922.	1200 00	
Stenographer for Grand Master	100 00	
Allowance for the Deputy Grand Master	250 00	
Filing Cabinets, Cards, etc.....	117 92	
Expenses arranging for Grand Lodge at Port Arthur 1922	281 50	
Expenses of Commission at Beachburg	13 20	
Testimonial to M. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt.....	500 00	
Refund to Victory Lodge No. 547, Toronto.....	77 00	
Sundries.....	168 10	
		33199 90
Benevolent Grants.....		73440 00
Debentures purchased		45809 69
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		\$152449 59

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND

Summary of Receipts for the year ending May 31st., 1922.

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

Additional contributions from Lodges:		
No. 463, North Entrance, Haliburton.....	\$	21 00
Debentures matured:		
Town of Berlin.....	\$1,004	47
Town of Brampton.....	613	14
City of Brandon.....	4,000	00
City of Hamilton.....	1,051	09
		<u>6,668 70</u>

REVENUE ACCOUNT

Interest on Investment and bank account as per detailed statement.....		5,071 96
		<u>\$11,761 66</u>

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND

Revenue Account year ended May 31st, 1922.

RECEIPTS

Balance at Credit May 31st, 1921.....	\$	582 36
Interest on Investment:		
Dominion of Canada, War Loans.....	\$	665 90
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	275	00
Town of Berlin.....	84	19
Town of Brampton.....	75	79
City of Brandon.....	150	00
City of Belleville.....	49	22
City of Calgary.....	180	00
Town of Durham.....	76	42
Town of Galt.....	80	00
City of Hamilton.....	287	56
Town of Ingersoll.....	40	00
Town of Kincardine.....	50	00
Dist. of North Vancouver.....	135	00
Town of Oakville.....	239	37
Town of Oshawa.....	194	24
Town of Owen Sound.....	245	00
City of Peterborough.....	321	34
City of St. Catharines.....	212	80
Town of St. Marys.....	405	00
Township of Saltfleet.....	200	00
Town of Sault Ste. Marie.....	90	00
Town of Seaforth.....	200	00
Municipality of Shuniah.....	50	00
Town of Strathroy.....	77	32
City of Toronto.....	55	00
Town of Walkerville.....	28	76
City of Windsor.....	298	69
City of Woodstock.....	180	00
Township of York.....	43	22
U. S. Exchange on Bonds.....	12	63
Hamilton Masonic Hall Association.....	6	00
Bank Interest.....	63	51
		<u>\$5,071 96</u>
		<u>\$5,654 32</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

Grants for Benevolence.....	\$4,932 50	
Balance at Credit May 31st, 1922	721 82	
		<u>\$5,654 32</u>



Grand Secretary

Hamilton, June, 1922.

I certify that the foregoing is a correct abstract from the books of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary, of the Receipts and Expenditures of the Grand Lodge for the year ending May 31st., 1922.

HARRY VIGEON, F.C.A.,

Auditor.

CONSECRATIONS.

The following lodges have been constituted and consecrated, viz:

Craig Lodge, No. 574, Ailsa Craig, by R.W. Bro. Isaac Hetherington, D.D.G.M. on Wednesday, September 7th, 1921.

Hullett Lodge, No. 568, Londesboro by R.W. Bro. Isaac Hetherington, D.D.G.M. on Tuesday, September 13th, 1921.

Doric Lodge, No. 569, Lakeside, by R.W. Bro. R. B. Hutt, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, September 20th, 1921.

Harmony Lodge, No. 579, Windsor, by R.W. Bro. John Davidson, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, September 28th, 1921.

Acacia Lodge, No. 580, London, by R.W. Bro. W. C. Moore, D.D.G.M. on Saturday, Oct. 1st, 1921.

Adoniram Lodge, No. 573, Niagara Falls, by R.W. Bro. J. C. Lymburner, D.D.G.M., on Monday, October 10th, 1921.

Queen's Lodge, No. 578, Kingston, by R.W. Bro. P. H. Burke, D.D.G.M., on Monday, October 17th, 1921

Harcourt Lodge, No. 581, Toronto, by M.W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, P.G.M., on Wednesday, October 19th, 1921.

Mizpah Lodge, No. 572, Toronto, by M.W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton, Grand Master, on Monday, October 31st, 1921.

Dufferin Lodge, No. 570, Toronto, by M.W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton, Grand Master, on Tuesday, November 1st, 1921.

Antiquity Lodge, No. 571, Toronto, by M.W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton, Grand Master on Wednesday, November 16th, 1921.

Sunnyside Lodge, No. 582, Toronto, by M.W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton, Grand Master, on Friday, November 18th, 1921.

Transportation Lodge, No. 583, Toronto, by M.W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton, Grand Master on Wednesday, November 23rd, 1921.

St. Clair Lodge, No. 577, Toronto, by M.W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton, Grand Master, on Thursday, November 24th, 1921.

Mimosa Lodge, No. 576, Toronto, by M.W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton, Grand Master, on Monday, December 5th, 1921.

Fidelity Lodge, No. 575, Toronto, by M.W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton, Grand Master, on Tuesday, December 6th, 1921.

DEDICATIONS.

The following lodges have been dedicated, viz.:

Craig Lodge, No. 564, Ailsa Craig, by R.W. Bro. Isaac Hetherington, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, September 7th, 1921.

Hullett Lodge, No. 568, Londesboro, by R.W. Bro. Isaac Hetherington, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, September 13th, 1921.

Doric Lodge, No. 569, Lakeside, by R.W. Bro. R.B. Hutt, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, September 20th, 1921.

Somerville Lodge, No. 451, Kinmount, by R.W. Bro. A. E. Bottum, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, October 19th, 1921.

Arkona Lodge, No. 307, Arkona, by R.W. Bro. W. R. Dawson, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, November 16th, 1921.

Sioux Lookout Lodge, No. 518, Sioux Lookout, by R.W. Bro. J. W. Walker, D.D.G.M., on Monday, December 12th, 1921.

Clifford Lodge, No. 315, Clifford, By R.W. Bro. P. J. Scott, D.D.G.M., on Monday, December 19th, 1921.

Granite Lodge, No. 446, Fort Frances, by R.W. Bro. C. J. Hollands, P.D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, April 4th, 1922.

Cornwall Lodge, No. 125, Cornwall, by M.W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton, Grand Master, on Thursday, April 27th, 1922.

Porcupine Lodge, No. 506, S. Porcupine, by R.W. Bro. Robt. LeHeup, D.D.G.M., on Thursday, June 1st, 1922.

Tottenham Lodge, No. 467, Tottenham, by R.W. Bro. M. S. Keller, D.D.G.M., on Friday, June 9th, 1922.



Grand Secretary.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by the Grand Secretary and Resolved, That the Reports of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary be received and referred to the Board of General Purposes.

The Grand Secretary presented the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters. It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by the Grand Secretary, and Resolved, That the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters be received and referred to the Board of General Purposes.

Reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters

ERIE DISTRICT No. 1.

To the Most Worshipful, The Grand Master, The Officers and Members of The Grand Lodge of Canada, Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brothers.—

It is with pleasure that I submit to you, and for your approval, my official report as District Deputy Grand Master for Erie District No. 1 and for the Masonic year ending June 24th, 1922. But I consider it my duty first to convey to my personal friends and the craft in general my sincere thanks for their hearty support and for their inestimable co-operation in tendering to me the unanimous vote of the District one year ago, and assuming the responsible duties pertaining to the office I felt that I had undertaken something that was considerably in advance of what the everyday craftsman is generally accustomed to, but as the days and weeks rolled by, the year is closing, and after so much kindness, courtesy and hospitality have been tendered, it seems almost like a sacrifice to relinquish the claim.

My first official duty, I am pleased to say, was to perform under the authority and by request of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, to meet at Windsor, on Wednesday, September 8th, for the purpose of constituting and consecrating Harmony Lodge No. 579. This duty was performed in the presence of a very large gathering of the leading Masons of this district, particularly including a number of Grand Lodge officers both past and present, who with a number of Past Masters occupied the chairs of Grand Lodge. The ceremony was duly performed according to all the ancient rites and ceremonies and pronounced to be square, level and perfect in all its parts. This Lodge, I am pleased to say, from personal observation, is having great success, and, I believe, will, in

time, become one of the strong towers for Masonic good in the west.

On September 20th, 1921, at 8 p.m., I attended an especial communication of Grand Lodge called by the Grand Master at Lakeside, for the purpose of constituting and consecrating Doric Lodge No. 569. There I met several of the District Deputies, Past Masters and other leading members of the fraternity, likewise some old-time companions, therefore enabling me to enjoy a short but happy re-union with old associates of long ago. Of this Lodge I may add that I am very forcibly impressed with the high standard of intelligence with which they performed their several duties allotted to them, both at the lodge room and at the social and festive entertainment which followed afterwards.

March 15th, acting on behalf and on the authority of the Grand Master and assisted by a number of the local brethren, I instituted Dominion Lodge U. D., and I have no hesitation in saying that, from personal observation, and from the thorough knowledge I have of the ability of the officers of this Lodge, that they have before them a very bright career and the possibility of a very large membership.

On April 17th I likewise, on behalf and on authority and request of the Grand Master, instituted Palace Lodge, U. D. This Lodge, I understand, is making great progress both in efficiency and membership, and I have no hesitation in saying that it will ultimately be a great success.

The next of extreme importance to the Craft, and particularly to Erie District No. 1, and the Western Peninsula in particular, is the official opening of the new Masonic Temple in Windsor. For a great many years back there has been a general feeling among the brethren of the Border Cities that a more commodious and convenient building should be secured for the accommodation of the Craft, and on that memorable date the dreams and hopes had certainly materialized. Promptly at 3 o'clock, nearly 400 of the brethren assembled in the Temple and, after the usual opening exercises, the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Brother Ponton, was duly introduced to the Lodge.

who in a very few eloquent remarks complimented the Windsor brethren on their success and achievement in erecting and completing the beautiful edifice for the exclusive use of the fraternity. Accompanying the Grand Master was one of our own and ever courteous, amiable and most efficient Grand Secretary, Right Worshipful Brother, W. M. Logan, who, after having been officially introduced, thanked them for the enthusiastic manner in which they had received him, likewise complimented them on the beautiful and spacious apartments they now occupy. The Right Worshipful the D. G. M's, past and present, were likewise duly introduced to the brethren. At 4 o'clock p.m. several of the City Lodges were regularly installed into their respective chairs for the then ensuing year by a select installation team, in which the Grand Master and Grand Secretary took part. Following this event a most gorgeous banquet was spread in the adjoining and most spacious dining hall. The service was set for over one thousand guests, and I have been informed since that a large number over that participated. However, it has been admitted by all that nothing approaching it had ever been witnessed in Western Ontario. The tables bore substantial and delicacies that reflected credit upon those who had prepared the repast, and all joined in congratulating the Committee who was in charge of the banquet. At 8.30 p.m. a very extensive program was presented by our own ever amiable, efficient humorist, Rt. Worshipful Brother J. F. Reid, with the first number appearing as an address from our worthy Grand Master, who, in a half hour's duration, presented one of the finest orations ever delivered in this locality.

The Assembly was further adorned by the presence of a distinguished visitor in the person of the Most Wor. Brother Lodge, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Michigan. In an excellent address he expressed the hope that, while we owe allegiance to a flag of a different nation, still we are animated by that same love, democracy and fraternalism which has built up these two great nations side by side, and has prompted them to live in peace and harmony with only an imaginary line between them for over a hundred years, and may they continue so until time shall be no more.

An address was also made by our Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Logan. It is unnecessary to make any comment. Brother Logan is a favorite among all his supporters, and his remarks are always appreciated. Several others, including the District Deputy, also Worshipful Bro. Williamson, Chairman of the Building Committee, likewise several other members of that committee, made addresses complimenting the committee on the erection and completion of the Temple. After this a number of very valuable gifts were presented. Your humble servant being a recipient of one very valuable one.

Regarding the Temple, I must avail myself of this opportunity to say that there are not words in our English language to express my personal appreciation of the work they have done in erecting this beautiful Temple for the purposes of Masonry. It will be a monument to their memory. May they live long to enjoy it, and may it stand as a memorial forever.

It is not my intention at this time to make special comment on the working of the individual lodges, only to say that I personally visited every lodge in the District and saw the work of every degree exemplified several times. The memorization was, with one exception, excellent, while the work generally was of a high order, both snappy and prompt. So I am sorry to say that in some instances there was a slight degree of carelessness in preparation, which at the present day has no right to exist with the present opportunities available. This, understand, does not exclusively apply to lodges in the rural districts, but in some localities where better might be expected.

The Third, or M. M. Degree, seems to be the general favorite, and quite properly so, as, for my own opinion, there is no language more beautiful, no ceremony more sublime, no conception more pregnant with holy and divine thought than that taught and illustrated in this sublime degree. But I find in coming in contact with the aged veterans that there is a feeling of doubt as to the proper pronunciation of that portion of the work which is surrounded by certain restrictions when being communicated. The claim is

that being one of the antiquities of symbolic Masonry it should be made permanent, unchangeable and unalterable, so that when representatives visit the Lodge there can be no possible opportunity for difference of opinion as to its correctness.

I also find that a majority of the lodges are not sufficiently acquainted with the law respecting the application for or the law respecting the appropriation of the Grand Lodge Special Fund for the purpose of benevolence. This is a matter which needs immediate attention.

No lodge of instruction was held in this District this year. I asked for a vote from each lodge on the question. Three voted for, two against, and sixteen nil. Maybe they can explain the reason.

Now, brethren, the labors you assigned for me to do as your District Deputy Grand Master for the year 1921-1922 are well nigh finished, and I desire to express my profound appreciation of being elected to that office because there are few honors bestowed by men which are higher. Today I return them back to you, I trust unsullied, so that some other day you may confer them on another, and, for the last time, I desire to place on record my thanks for the many fraternal and kindly courtesies which have been extended whenever I have met my brethren, among whom I must make personal mention for the unsolicited and voluntary assistance. They are: Rt. Worshipful Brothers Gadfield, Reid, Douglas, McMaster, Pettit, Worshipful Brothers Ferguson, Draper and Stewart, Turner, Wickens, Clements, and Eddington, but, in particular, Worshipful Brother Williamson. Among all are our own Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Logan, for the prompt and courteous manner in which he has attended to the correspondence and in other ways.

Now, in what I can see to be justice to myself and others, I bid you all, as D.D.G.M., an official and fraternal farewell, and may all your works be full of glory to God and of good to mankind.

J. DAVIDSON, D.D.G.M.,

Erie District No. 1.

Chatham, July 10th, 1922.

ERIE DISTRICT No. 1A.

Before entering upon my official duties in Erie District No. 1A I appointed Wor. Bro. W. A. McPherson District Secretary, and his valuable assistance during my year of office, to the lodges in the district in general and to myself in particular, is worthy of special mention. There was never a time during the year, when called upon, that he did not respond to the call of the needs of the district.

In paying my official visits, I might state, I noted some secretaries performing their duties without a ledger. I tried to impress upon these brethren the importance of keeping their records in the proper manner.

Another feature worthy of mention was noted in some rural lodges having a crude way of transacting the business of the lodge, such as motions not being properly put.

I also noted in two or three lodges a lack of knowledge, on the part of the Wor. Masters, regarding the book of constitution. These matters I endeavoured to impress upon them their responsibility to their lodges in particular, and to the craft in general, by becoming thoroughly acquainted with the book of constitution of the Grand Lodge and the By-laws of their own lodge.

Generally speaking, the degree work throughout the whole district was excellent, and it was deemed by a majority of the lodges inadvisable to hold a lodge of instruction in the district this year.

Fraternally yours,

J. A. RYCKMAN,

D.D.G.M. Erie District No. 1A.

Statement of Official Visits Paid to Lodges in Erie District No. 1A, 1921-22

On Sept. 16th my official visit was paid to Florence Lodge No. 390, Florence, Ont. I was accompanied on this visit by several brethren from Talbot Lodge No. 546. The lodge was opened in due form at 8.00 p.m., with the Wor. Master, Bro. G. J. Ackert, in the chair. The officers conferred the first degree in a very impressive manner, and I could not compliment them enough on the beautiful way the different officers did their work. This lodge is up to date in every respect, and the officers, as well as the members, showed a keen interest in Masonry.

The secretary of this lodge is very proficient in his work, and I was pleased to note that there were only four members over one year in arrears for dues.

There were over eighty brethren present, as well as a large number of visitors from the adjacent lodges, and a very pleasant and beneficial evening was spent after the work.

St. Thomas Lodge "Old" 44 was officially visited on Oct. 16th, and I was royally received by one hundred and fifty brethren. This is my mother lodge, having been made a Master Mason May 29th, 1908, and installed as Wor. Master Dec. 28th, 1915. This lodge conferred the first degree in an almost perfect manner. The Wor. Master, J. W. Stewart, is a very proficient Master, clear and impressive in every part of his work, and does not fail to make the desired impression on the candidate.

I found this lodge perfect in equipment, with the exception of the three Lesser lights, which will be changed to conform with the regulations.

After the work of the evening was over, R. W. Bro. Geo. F. Hill, on behalf of Erie District No. 1A, presented me with my Grand Lodge regalia. After an expression of appreciation for the beautiful regalia, the lodge closed and the brethren repaired to the banquet room, where a program of very high order was presented.

Paid my official visit to Tecumseh Lodge No. 245, Thamesville, Ont., on Oct. 10th. On this visit I was accompanied by several brethren from St. Thomas. After the business was transacted, this thriving lodge exemplified the first degree in a very able and pleasing manner, every officer filling his chair in a very creditable manner.

At this meeting we had the pleasure of having R. W. Bro. John Davidson, of Erie District No. 1, who gave a very able address after the degree work was over, which was very instructive to all present.

I found this lodge up to date in equipment in every respect and all members enthusiastic and deeply interested in the work. The books of the secretary were in a perfect manner with very little outstanding dues.

St. Mark's Lodge No. 94, Port Stanley, Ont., was officially visited Oct. 11th, accompanied by a number of Past Masters from St. Thomas.

There was no degree work exemplified, but I requested the Wor. Master to pass the lodge to the second degree and raised to the third, and I gave an explanation of the symbols in the third, second and first degrees respectively, and in this manner we spent a very profitable evening.

I found the secretary of this lodge's books in a most satisfactory condition, there being no outstanding dues, which speaks very highly for their popular and efficient secretary, Wor. Bro. Fraser.

Dufferin Lodge No. 364, Melbourne, Ont. On my official visit to this lodge on Oct. 12th I was accompanied by several Past Masters from St. Thomas.

The first degree was conferred in a very able manner by the regular officers of this lodge. The Wor. Master was very thorough in his work and could not fail to make an impression on the candidate. The secretary had nearly all the outstanding dues collected, and all his books and record were kept in fine condition. There were a large number of brethren present, who were very enthusiastic in all the work concerning their lodge.

Paid my official visit to Lorne Lodge No. 282, Glencoe, Ont., on Oct. 13th, accompanied by District Secretary Wor. Bro. W. A. McPherson and a number of other brethren. After the business of the lodge was transacted, the officers of this lodge exemplified the first degree in a very acceptable manner. At this meeting we had the pleasure of having the presence of R. W. Bro. John Davidson, D.D.G.M. of Erie District No. 1, who in an able manner gave a very instructive and splendid address in the lodge room. I found the secretary of this lodge had all dues in except two out of town brothers. After the lodge closed a splendid banquet and toast list of a very high order brought this splendid gathering to a close.

On Oct. 14th paid my official visit to Prince of Wales Lodge No. 171, Lawrence Station, Ont. The officers of this little lodge conferred the first degree in quite a capable manner. The financial standing of this lodge is in a prosperous condition, the secretary having all outstanding dues paid up to date. This is one of the smallest lodges in our district, but the brethren are all enthusiastic and the attendance for a small lodge is much better than in many of our larger lodges. A large number of brethren from visiting lodges were present and a splendid banquet was tendered on this occasion.

Rodney Lodge No. 411, Rodney, Ont. On Oct. 26th I paid my official visit to this lodge, when the third degree was conferred in a splendid manner, the officers being very proficient in their work. I found the secretary's books in not so good a condition as the rest of the lodges in this district. There were a large number of brethren in arrears for dues and the system of keeping books was poor. I, however, had every assurance that this would be remedied and the outstandings gotten after. A large number of brethren from St. Thomas and surrounding lodges were present. After the lodge was closed a social hour was very profitably spent in the banquet room.

Nov. 9th visited Cameron Lodge No. 332, Dutton, Ont., accompanied by several brethren from St. Thomas. The Wor. Master and officers of this splendid lodge exemplified the first degree in a very acceptable manner, in fact the work of this lodge was prac-

tically perfect. I found the financial standing in first-class condition, the secretary's books in perfect order and all dues practically in. After the work of the lodge was over I was called upon to present Wor. Bro. Backus, the oldest Past Master of this lodge, with a Past Master's jewel. A banquet and a toast list of a very high order followed the work, which brought a very profitable evening to a close.

My official visit to Highgate Lodge No. 336, Highgate, Ont., was paid on Nov. 11th. After the business of the lodge was transacted the officers of this lodge conferred the second degree. It is my very great pleasure to report that this lodge conferred the degree in a perfect manner, not a single officer making an error, and I might say that this is the only lodge in this district that conferred a faultless degree. The secretary's records were perfect, there are no outstanding dues, and I take a great deal of pleasure in reporting Highgate Lodge No. 336 in a first-class condition in every respect.

Howard Lodge No. 391, Ridgetown, Ont., was visited officially on Nov. 14th, when this lodge exemplified the first degree in a very impressing and pleasing manner. On examination of the secretary's records I found a very favorable financial condition existed, with very little outstanding dues. A very large attendance of members of this lodge, as well as a large number of visiting brethren, were present. The work of the evening was followed by a splendid banquet and toast list, which brought the evening to a close.

Nov. 15th officially visited McColl Lodge No. 386, West Lorne, Ont., together with a large number of brethren from St. Thomas. The officers of this lodge conferred the first degree in a most capable manner, each one of the officers performing his duties in the degree work in a very impressive and perfect manner. On examination of the secretary's books I found this lodge in a splendid financial condition, with very little outstanding dues and the books kept in a perfect manner. After the work of the evening was concluded, addresses of a very instructive nature were given by several Past Masters.

My official visit to St. David's Lodge No. 302, St. Thomas, Ont., was paid February 16th, when the officers of this lodge exemplified the first degree in a manner which was almost perfect, there being no room left for corrections and criticisms. The Wor. Master of this lodge, Wor. Bro. McTaggart, as a Mason, and as an officer of a craft lodge cannot be excelled as an instructor of officers of a lodge. A very large number of brethren were in attendance, and after the lodge was closed a splendid banquet was tendered, followed by many eloquent addresses by Past Grand Lodge officers.

March 23rd my official visit was paid to Talbot Lodge No. 546, St. Thomas, Ont. This is the baby lodge of the district, yet, as far as members are concerned, it ranks third. The officers of this energetic young lodge conferred the first degree in a manner second to none in the district, the work throughout the degree being very impressive and every officer interested in his own work, which could not fail to leave the desired impression upon the candidate as he was initiated. The secretary's books showed this lodge to be in a splendid financial condition. After the work of the evening was concluded, about two hundred brethren repaired to the banquet room, where a splendid banquet, followed by a toast list, which was responded to by many Past Grand Lodge officers, was tendered.

Malahide Lodge No. 140, Aylmer, Ont., was officially visited on April 5th. On this visit I was accompanied by P.D.D.G.M. F. W. Judd and a number of other brethren from St. Thomas. After the business of the lodge was transacted, the regular officers of this lodge conferred the first degree in a very efficient and impressive manner. I found the degree work of this lodge faultless and not in need of any corrections, the equipment of the lodge being up to the standard. An inspection of the secretary's books showed the splendid condition, financially, the lodge was enjoying. After the lodge closed an enjoyable hour was spent in instructive addresses by several Past Grand Lodge officers who were present.

I paid my official visit to Warren Lodge No. 120, Fingal, Ont., on April 11th, accompanied by a large

number of brethren from St. Thomas. A very large number of the members of Warren Lodge being present and the lodge room being rather small made it quite difficult for the officers to confer the degree. Handicapped for room, as they were, the officers conferred the second degree in a very acceptable manner, every officer being very earnest in his work. The secretary's records were in splendid condition, with very few members outstanding for dues. The building committee of this lodge reported favorable progress, and I am pleased to report it is the intention of Warren Lodge to have new quarters in the near future, which speaks very highly for the progressiveness of these brethren.

My official visit to Hammond Lodge No. 327, Wardsville, Ont., was made on May 8th. After the business of the lodge was transacted, the officers conferred the second degree with a great deal of credit to the craft. The secretary's books showed that they were progressing favorably and were financially in comparatively good standing. The members of this lodge have recently enlarged the lodge room and remodelled it, and I am pleased to state they have one of the finest lodge rooms in the district.

Star of the East Lodge No. 422, Bothwell, Ont., was officially visited on May 10th. A large number of brethren from St. Thomas accompanied me on this visit. The officers conferred the third degree in a perfect manner, not an error being made from the Wor. Master to the Inner Guard. There were, therefore, no corrections to be offered on my part as the work by each officer was performed in a way that was worthy of the highest compliments. The secretary, R. W. Bro. J. J. Vincent's books were up to date and complete in every respect. A large number of brethren from visiting lodges were present, and I am pleased to report that a very pleasant and profitable evening was spent.

On June 8th officially visited Sydenham Lodge No. 255, Dresden, Ont., together with a large number of brethren from St. Thomas. After the lodge had transacted the usual business, the third degree was conferred in a very splendid manner, the Wor. Master

and wardens being very proficient in this degree. Bro. French, who is eighty-five years old, is secretary, and I am pleased to report his books are kept up to date and in a creditable manner to himself and to the lodge. There were no outstanding dues and I asked him how he managed to get all the dues in and he replied, "I just make them pay." After the work of the evening was over in the lodge room, the brethren repaired to the banquet room, where a lunch and toast list of a very high order were indulged in.

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT No. 2

To The Most Worshipful The Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren,—

I beg to submit my report of the prevailing condition of Masonry as I found it throughout St. Clair District Number 2 during my term of office ending June 24th, 1922, and in doing so I beg to again express my appreciation to the brethren of the district for the trust they reposed in me when they elected me to fill this very important office.

I have visited each lodge in the district and have noted with extreme pleasure the progress Masonry is making in this section. The utmost courtesy has been shown me by the brethren during my journey through the district, and each lodge has apparently done its utmost to make my visit a real pleasure. My criticisms, where I have seen fit to make them, have been received by the brethren in a spirit of good fellowship, and the task, which I first approached with a certain amount of fear and trembling, has resulted in a year of work which will live in my memory to the end of my life as one of the brightest periods of my existence.

I have endeavoured to do my duty in every case as it has been presented to me, and if in my humble way I have been the means of doing good to any lodge or brother, I shall pass on from this, my most important year in Masonry, feeling that I have been amply repaid for several strenuous days (and nights) through which I have passed during my term of office.

Worshipful Brother Johnston Vance, whom I appointed as District Secretary, and Bro. S. P. Irwin, who has acted as District Chaplain, have both filled their respective offices with credit to themselves, and I am indebted to these brethren for many acts of assistance and kindness.

My first official act of any consequence was presiding over a Lodge of Instruction held at Watford on the 14th day of October, 1921. There appears to have

been an idea in the minds of the brethren throughout the district that the Lodge of Instruction should be held in the fall, and, acting on suggestions from several quarters to this effect, I decided to hold it before making any visits. It was, therefore, held on the above date, the following being the order of business:

The Lodge was opened in the first degree at 2.15 o'clock with W. Bro. Stevenson and the officers of Havelock Lodge No. 238 in the chairs, who exemplified the first degree in a very creditable manner. I offered a few criticisms and some questions were asked in a friendly manner as to certain points in the work. The officers of Havelock Lodge then vacated the chairs and Wor. Bro. W. Miller and the officers of Leopold Lodge No. 397 opened the Lodge in the second degree at 4.00 o'clock and proceeded to exemplify the second degree. This work was done in an almost faultless manner, very little criticism being offered.

The Lodge was called from labor at 6.00 o'clock, and the brethren adjourned to the basement of St. John's Church, where the ladies of that church had prepared a banquet, which was daintily served and enjoyed by all. At 7.45 o'clock W. Bro. Lelie Oke and the officers of Alvinston Lodge No. 323 took control, opened the Lodge in the third degree and exemplified the work. This work was also extremely well done and reflected credit on the officers of Alvinston Lodge.

Right W. Bro. Nixon was present representing the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, and delighted the brethren with an explanation of some of the intricate points of Masonry.

There were about 225 brethren present from almost all points in the district, and at 10.45 o'clock the Lodge was closed, the universal feeling being that the Lodge of Instruction had been a decided success.

Alvinston Lodge No. 323. On Wednesday, November 9th, I visited Alvinston Lodge officially. The roads were very bad and the weather inclement, but there was a good attendance and in all a very pleasant and profitable time was spent. W. Bro. Lelie Oke and officers conferred the third degree in a most competent manner, leaving very little room for criticism. This

Lodge is in a prosperous condition. They have a well-appointed Lodge room and a number of very efficient brethren coming along as officers.

Ionic Lodge No. 328. I visited this lodge on Friday, November 11th, and again the roads and weather were anything but desirable. However, while this lodge is situated in a small country place and is officered and maintained almost exclusively by farmers, the attendance at this meeting was all that could be desired, and to me was very gratifying. The room was crowded to capacity and the warmth of the reception tendered me touched my heart. The second degree was conferred by W. Bro. Patterson and his officers and was very well done. In all the meeting was one which I shall remember for many years.

Inwood Lodge No. 503. On Monday, November 14th, I visited my home lodge. It is perhaps needless for me to say that this lodge is prospering. It is. The membership is now crowding the hundred mark, and with young officers coming forward who will reflect credit upon themselves. The work of conferring the second degree was done on this occasion by W. Bro. A. E. Loosemore and his staff of officers and left very little to be said in criticism. The finances of the lodge are in an excellent condition and prospects are very bright.

Arkona Lodge No. 307. At 3.00 o'clock on Wednesday, November 16th, I had the pleasure of attending this lodge and performing the beautiful ceremony of dedicating their new lodge room. In this ceremony I was assisted by R. W. Bro. P. P. Winn acting as D.G.M., Right W. Bro. A. M. Thomas acting as G.S.W., R. W. Bro. J. D. Morrison acting as G.J.W., R. W. Bro. D. Brodie acting as G.D. of C., and Brother S. P. Irwin acting as Grand Chaplain.

At six o'clock supper was served in the basement of the Methodist Church, and at 7.30 o'clock the same evening I visited their lodge in an official capacity. The work of conferring the third degree was well done. Under the guiding hand of R. W. Bro. Thomas this lodge is doing a good work, and in their new room, which is very comfortable and bright, they should prosper and grow.

On Friday, November 25th, I visited jointly Washington Lodge No. 260 and Petrolia Lodge No. 194 of Petrolia. At 4.30 o'clock W. Bro. Dowling and the officers of Washington Lodge conferred the first degree, and at 6.00 o'clock the officers of Petrolia Lodge with W. Bro. Steadman in the chair, conferred the second degree. The work in both cases was very well done indeed, and left very little to be said in the way of criticism. At 7.30 o'clock the brethren adjourned to the Oddfellows hall, where a banquet was served, at which the entertainment was of a very high order. The Petrolia brethren are real Masons when it comes to entertainment, as has been proven on many occasions. They are also just as enthusiastic in their lodge rooms, and are doing a good work in the oil town.

Forest Lodge No. 263. I visited this lodge on Friday, December 9th, and received a welcome which was good to hear. The attendance was very good and the brethren appeared to be carrying on the work in a satisfactory manner. The work of the evening was the second degree, and the officers of the lodge did themselves credit. There was a good number of Past Masters out, who apparently are taking a lively interest in the work of the lodge, and on the whole the lodge appears to be flourishing. The room is comfortable and well kept.

Havelock Lodge No. 238. On Tuesday, December 13th, I visited this lodge officially. W. Bro. George Stevenson and his officers conferred the second degree, which was very creditably done. The attendance was good and I was very much pleased with the manner in which the brethren of this lodge are looking after their charity work. They have a good secretary and from the appearances on that occasion the lodge is prospering.

Leopold Lodge No. 297. This was my next visit, on February 8th. W. Bro. A. D. Armstrong and his officers, who were doing degree work for the first time since their installation, conferred the second degree on a candidate and did satisfactory work, giving promise of becoming a set of very efficient officers. There was a good attendance and a very enjoyable evening was spent. A number of petitions for initiation were presented and the lodge is prospering.

Moore Lodge No. 294. On the following evening, February 9th, I visited this lodge. A large number of Sarnia and Brigden brethren were present, crowding the lodge room to capacity. W. Bro. Harold was in the chair and with his officers conferred the first degree. After the work was done the brethren adjourned to Stewart's hall, where a banquet was held and at which an enjoyable hour was spent. The brethren appear to be enthusiastic at Courtright, and while their quarters are small the prospects are good.

Beaver Lodge No. 83. The following night, February 10th, I made my official visit to this lodge. Their beautiful room was well filled and I was very warmly received. The Worshipful Master was unfortunately too ill to be present, and W. Bro. Truman occupied the chair. The work of the evening was the second degree, which was perfectly done. Right W. Bro. Richardson, as the secretary, has his books in excellent shape, and with their well-appointed lodge room and a set of officers who appear to be very efficient this lodge should continue to be one of the most prosperous and best lodges in the district.

St. Paul Lodge U. D. On Saturday night, March 4th, in accordance with a request from the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, I attended at the Masonic Temple, Sarnia, read a Dispensation granted to about 60 petitioners to open a new lodge to be known as St. Paul Lodge, and placed Right W. Brother Thomas Paul in the chair as their first Worshipful Master. The petition contains the names of a number of very distinguished brethren, and from the enthusiasm displayed on that occasion I am sure that this new lodge will at once become a power among the fraternity at Sarnia, where Masonry is growing very rapidly.

St. Johns Lodge No. 81. I visited this lodge on Tuesday, March 7th, and although the night was stormy the attendance was good and the brethren warmly welcomed me to their lodge room. The officers of the lodge conferred the second degree in a very creditable manner and accepted what criticism I had to make, which was not very much, in a friendly spirit. The real Masonic spirit seems to be apparent in this lodge. Their rooms are comfortable and well appointed.

Huron Lodge No. 392. Wednesday, March 8th, found me at this lodge, and I was agreeably surprised to find their lodge room filled to capacity, although the roads were almost impassable. The first degree was exemplified by the officers of the lodge, and while they had practically no work since installation the work was well done. The banquet following the work was of a high order, and in all the visit was one of real pleasure to me, and I trust it was one from which the brethren derived some profit.

Burns Lodge No. 153. This was my third visit in as many days, and was made on Thursday, March 9th. The attendance was good and included some from neighboring lodges. I was pleased to note that the brethren of this lodge were looking after their sick and incapacitated members in a true Masonic manner; they have a good secretary in Bro. Robinson and I am looking for a very favorable report from this lodge in the future. The work was in the first degree and was creditably done. A very pleasant and profitable hour was spent after the work was over and some real thoughts were carried away in consequence.

The Sarnia Lodges. Through the kindness of the brethren, particularly those of Victoria Lodge No. 56, I was enabled to make my visits to the three Sarnia Lodges, Liberty No. 419, Victoria No. 56, and Tuscan No. 437 on three consecutive evenings, March 13th, 14th and 15th. The attendance at the meeting of Liberty was over 100, at Victoria 135, and at Tuscan 150. Each lodge appeared to try to outdo the others in the warmth of their welcome and I thoroughly enjoyed my stay in Sarnia. Their well appointed and commodious rooms enable these lodges to work to good advantage and the work, which was the first degree in each case, was so well done that comment, except that of praise, could not well be made. I was pleased to note that Masonry is growing very rapidly in the Imperial city, and the fourth lodge just started will enable a waiting list of candidates to more quickly enjoy the privileges of our order. I noted that Tuscan Lodge No. 437 is still practising the perambulating

method of imparting the Junior Warden's lecture, which I took some exception to, and I trust that this only exception to the uniformity of the work throughout the district will be discontinued.

Pnyx Lodge No. 312. On Monday April 10th, I visited Pnyx Lodge No. 312, Wallaceburg, a visit to which I shall look back with pleasure for some time. There was a good turn out and the work of the first degree was done by the officers in very good form indeed. The lodge, which has not been growing very rapidly for the past year, has apparently taken on new lease of life, which I trust will continue. I was well taken care of while in the town and the brethren appeared to spare no pains to make my visit a pleasant one, for which I am truly thankful.

St. Clair Lodge No. 425. I visited this lodge on Tuesday, April 11th coming direct from Wallaceburg. During the night there had been a very heavy rain and as I journeyed from Wallaceburg the whole country appeared to be under water, consequently, there was a small attendance at St. Clair Lodge, some of the brethren having come in on horse-back. However, what the brethren of this lodge lacked in attendance that night was fully compensated by their warmth and hospitality. They conferred the first degree for me and while only a portion of their officers were present the work was very nicely done. They are contemplating burning the mortgage against their very fine lodge room this summer, which speaks well for their thrift. Their financial standing is good.

Cassia Lodge No. 116. My visit to this lodge, on Monday, May 8th, proved to be a surprise. While the lodge is one of the oldest in the district I had looked upon it as a weak lodge. However, the attendance on the occasion of my visit was more than gratifying. There were a number of visitors, including four past D.D.G.M.'s, and in all we had one of the most pleasant visits I have made in St. Clair District. The work done was the third degree, and was indeed a credit to W. Bro. Harrington and his officers. They are enjoying an era of prosperity, which I trust will continue.

Alexandra Lodge No. 158. Thursday, May 11th, I visited this lodge. The evening was very warm, but the attendance was good, including some visitors from sister lodges. W. Bro. Nurse and his staff of officers conferred the first degree in a fairly creditable manner. I offered some criticism on certain matters which was well received, and in all a very pleasant evening was spent, followed by a banquet in their commodious hall below the lodge room.

St. Paul Lodge U. D. On Saturday night, June 3rd, I visited this new lodge. The work done, which consisted in the conferring of the third degree, was done in an almost faultless manner, Right W. Bro. Thomas Paul presiding. I was pleased to note that this new lodge is growing very rapidly, having enrolled at this date 87 members. Their books are well kept and I went away well satisfied with the progress and condition of the lodge.

In all, the year has been one of extreme pleasure to me, and I trust I may have said or done something for the benefit of Masonry during my term of office.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. R. DAWSON, D.D.G.M.

St. Clair District, No. 2.

LONDON DISTRICT No. 3.

To The Most Worshipful The Grand Master, Officers and Members of The Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren,—

I have the honour to submit the following report on the condition of Masonry for the Masonic year ending June 24th, 1922, in London District No. 3. I desire to express my appreciation of the confidence reposed in me by the brethren of the district in electing me to this responsible office. I entered upon my duties with many misgivings, but thanks to the cordial support, everywhere accorded, and the assistance rendered me by my predecessor and other distinguished brethren, my term of office has not been wanting in success; and I desire to thank also the brethren for the cordial fraternal spirit and the generous hospitality which was everywhere extended to me.

I visited every lodge in the district at least once, and some of them oftener, and in every instance was received with marked cordiality and great kindness—not, of course, as being particularly due to me personally, but bespeaking the loyalty of the brethren to Grand Lodge and their devotion to the craft. Harmony has prevailed throughout the district and no serious complaints have been referred to your representative. Progress in every lodge has been noted; this progress has not been alone in the number of Masons made, but also in the general tone and character of the work done. My attention was directed to the interest displayed by the Past Masters of the district. On all my official visits I was met by a large number of Past Masters having the welfare of the craft at heart.

My first official act was to appoint W. Bro. C. O. Luton as District Secretary, who performed the duties in a very satisfactory manner. I then issued a circular letter of Fraternal Greetings to all the lodges in the district.

Consecrating.

On October 1st, 1921, by command of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, I consecrated Acacia

Lodge No. 580, London, assisted by the R. W. Bro. W. J. Drope, Deputy Grand Master. All the offices were filled by Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Lodge Officers.

Instituting.

On February 24th, 1922, by command of the M. W. the Grand Master, I instituted Temple Lodge, London, assisted by Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Lodge Officers. I have visited this lodge once since they were instituted, and from the work I saw done there and the caliber of the officers in charge of this lodge, I have no hesitation in recommending that they be granted a charter.

Ashlar Lodge. On June 26th, by command of the M. W. the Grand Master, I instituted Ashlar Lodge, Byron. I was assisted by Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Lodge Officers. This lodge is well situated and their lodge room is comfortable and beautifully furnished. The officers seemed well skilled in their work. This lodge should receive its charter in due time.

Installations.

On December 27th, 1921, by invitation of the Masonic brethren of the city of London, I took charge of a joint installation of officers of all the lodges in the city. W. Bro. N. P. Walsh acted as I. M., who did his work in a perfect and most impressive manner. We were honoured by the presence of M. W. Bro. Hon. William D. McPherson, Past Grand Master, who gave a splendid address on the condition of Masonry.

On June 28th I attended a joint installation of Belmont of the officers of Belmont Lodge No. 190, Nilestown Lodge No. 345 and Merrill Lodge No. 344. W. Bro. R. Lee of Nilestone acted as I. M., assisted by R. W. Bro. F. O'Neil of King Solomon Lodge No. 394. The ceremony was performed in a faultless manner. The attendance was all that could be desired, the lodge room being filled to its capacity.

Official Visits.

St. George's, Oct. 6th, 1921. On the above date I made my first official visit to St. George's Lodge No.

42, London. There was a good attendance and my reception was all that could be desired. W. Bro. Heaman W. M. conferred the E. A. degree in a very able manner and was assisted by a very efficient staff of officers. This is a very live lodge with a bright future.

Nilestown Lodge No. 345. I visited Nilestown Lodge No. 345 on Oct. 11th, 1921. There was a very large attendance of both officers and visitors. The first degree was exemplified in a most efficient manner by W. Bro. Smith and his officers. The Lecture and Charge should here receive special mention. A pleasant part of the proceedings was the unveiling of a Memorial Tablet to the fallen heroes of this lodge on the battlefields, by Rev. Bro. Agnew of Merrill Lodge No. 344.

St. Paul's Lodge No. 107. My next visit was at St. Paul's No. 107, Lambeth, on Oct. 12th, 1921. Here I was greeted by a very large gathering of members and visiting brethren. This lodge is in a very healthy condition, and is officered by very efficient officers who are full of enthusiasm. They conferred the F. C. degree in a very creditable manner. R. W. Bro. Buchner gave a brief historical lecture on Masonry. At the banqueting hall I met with Rev. Bro. Bowen of Bible Society Work, who delivered an instructive and impressive address on the grave dangers of the foreign element in our midst.

Corinthian Lodge No. 330. On November 1st, 1921, I visited Corinthian Lodge No. 330, London, where the first degree was exemplified in a most satisfactory manner. Each officer was in his place and did his work in a most impressive manner. There was a large attendance of members as well as a large number of visiting brethren.

Middlesex Lodge No. 379, November 9th, 1921. The weather being stormy and roads in a very bad condition there were not many visitors present, but I was met by a good attendance of members. The officers worked the first degree in a very satisfactory manner.

Merrill Lodge No. 344, November 10th, 1921. At Merrill Lodge I was met with a good attendance of

visitors and members, the officers working the first degree very creditably. This lodge has made wonderful advancement during the last year, due, no doubt, to the enthusiasm of their officers.

Belmont Lodge No. 190, November 11th, 1921. I visited this, my mother lodge, on the evening of November 11th, and was greeted by a large number of visitors and members. The E. A. degree was exemplified in a most impressive manner. At the banqueting table I was delightfully surprised by being presented with my regalia by R. W. Bro. Neil McGill and R. W. Bro. R. Booth, which I highly appreciated. Belmont Lodge has suffered a severe loss by the death of W. Bro. John Brodie.

King Solomon Lodge No. 378, December 8th, 1921, I was greeted here by a very large attendance of visitors and members, the officers working the F. C. degree in a most impressive manner. This lodge is in a very prosperous condition.

Moffat Lodge No. 399, January 11th, 1922. There was a fair attendance of members and a good turnout of visitors. I was supported by R. W. Bros. McGill and Pood. The F. C. degree was exemplified in a very creditable and impressive manner. This lodge shows marked improvement.

Acacia Lodge No. 580, January 14th, 1922. This lodge received its charter October 1st, 1921, and is growing very fast. At my visit the officers exemplified the E. A. degree in a most excellent manner. The prospects for this lodge seem very bright.

St. John's Lodge No. 209A. This visit was made on February 3rd, 1922, and this lodge greeted me with a very large attendance. W. Bro. Odell and his officers exemplified the E. A. degree in a manner leaving little room for criticism. A very interesting evening was spent with the brethren.

Union Lodge No. 380, February 13th, 1922. I visited this lodge at their regular meeting in February. The E. A. degree was worked in a superior manner. The Master and officers are enthusiastic and performed their duties in a manner creditable to themselves and to this lodge.

St. Johns Lodge No. 20. I visited this old and esteemed lodge at their regular meeting, February 14th, 1922. The E. A. degree was exemplified in a faultless manner by the Master and his officers. This lodge is making favourable progress.

Tuscan Lodge No. 195. My visit to this lodge was made on March 6th, 1922, when the E. A. degree was worked in a masterly manner by the Master and his officers. There was a very large crowd of members and visitors. This lodge cannot fail to progress.

Kilwinning Lodge No. 64, March 17th, 1922. Here I was also greeted with a large attendance, the E. A. degree being exemplified by W. Bro. Copp and his officers in a manner devoid of criticism. This is a very prosperous lodge.

Delaware Valley Lodge No. 358. I visited this lodge at their regular meeting, May 5th, 1922. Here I was again met by a large attendance of members and visitors. The E. A. degree was worked in a faultless manner. The prospects of this lodge are good.

Henderson Lodge No. 388, May 8th, 1922. I visited this lodge at their regular meeting and was met by a very large attendance of visitors and members. The E. A. degree was exemplified in a most impressive manner. This lodge is also in a very prosperous condition.

King Solomon Lodge No. 394. I paid my official visit to this lodge on May 10th, 1922, and found everything in a satisfactory condition. The W. M. and his officers exemplified the E. A. and F. C. degree in a manner leaving little room for criticism. This lodge has made a great improvement in their property by adding to it a banqueting hall, which was used for the first time on this occasion.

Myra Lodge No. 528, June 5th, 1922. I visited this lodge at their regular meeting. There was a good attendance of visitors and members. There was no degree work. The lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees in a creditable manner.

Mt. Olivet Lodge No. 300, June 6th, 1922. At this lodge I was greeted by a large attendance of their

members and many visiting brethren. The E. A. degree was exemplified in a faultless manner. The prospects of this lodge are very bright.

Doric Lodge No. 289. I paid my official visit to Doric Lodge on June 8th, 1922. There was a good attendance of members, and this completing my official visits there was a very large attendance of visiting brethren. The F. C. degree was exemplified in a faultless manner. R. W. Bro. Richardson of Strathroy gave us a brief address on the state of the order. The prospects of this lodge are good.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the many brethren who accompanied me on my visits to the various lodges. I also desire to thank the brethren of the district for their many courtesies and kindnesses extended to me during the year, which has been a most pleasant one. I bespeak for my successor the same cordial assistance which was so cheerfully extended to me.

Fraternally submitted,

WM. C. MOORE, D.D.G.M.
London District No. 3.

SOUTH HURON DISTRICT No. 4

To The Most Worshipful The Grand Master, Officers and Members of The Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren,—

I have the honor to submit herewith my report on the condition of Masonry in South Huron District.

I desire first to express to the brethren of the district both my deep appreciation of the honor they have bestowed upon me in electing me to the office of D.D.G.M. and my gratitude for the courtesy, kindness and hospitality that have been shown me throughout the district. I also wish to express my thanks to the P.D.D.G.M. for the kindness and valuable aid given me during the year, and also to the P. M.'s of my own lodge for their able assistance.

My first official act after assuming office was to reappoint Wor. Bro. E. Denroche, of Stratford Lodge, as District Secretary.

On Sept. 7th and 13th respectively I had the honor to constitute and consecrate Craig Lodge No. 474, Ailsa Craig, and Hullett Lodge No. 568, Londesboro, and also dedicated the lodge rooms and installed the officers, in which I was ably assisted by P. M.'s from the adjoining lodges, special mention being made of Very Wor. Bro. Eacrett of Exeter, a man well past the allotted span of life and afflicted by the loss of his sight, and is, I believe, one of the best posted Masons of the district.

Lodge Secretaries.

Before going into the matter of visits I wish to say, with the exception of one or two lodges, the books are kept in an excellent condition, and I made it a point to impress upon the members of the different lodges the necessity of having an efficient secretary.

Visits.

On Dec. 8th, 1921, I paid my official visit to Elma Lodge No. 456. Wor. Bro. Thompson and his officers

conferred the third degree in a very impressive manner. This lodge is in a thriving condition.

On Dec. 12th I visited Stratford Lodge. The first degree was exemplified in a very efficient manner, and this lodge is to be congratulated on its choice of officers.

On Dec. 13th I visited Doric Lodge No. 233, Parkhill. As is the usual custom with this lodge, the third degree was conferred and carried out in an able manner. A good deal of the success of this lodge I attribute to the untiring efforts of the secretary, who is the immediate P.D.D.G.M., Rt. Wor. Bro. Fraser.

On Dec. 16th Clinton Lodge was visited, and I witnessed the conferring of the second degree. I make special mention of the candidate, who was one of the best posted I have had the pleasure of hearing.

March 13th, 1922, Granton Lodge No. 483 was visited and the third degree conferred by Wor. Bro. Powers, in the absence of the W. M., who was unable to be present through illness in his home. I was pleased to see the interest taken in the lodge by the P. M.'s.

March 15th Zurich Lodge No. 224, Hensall, was visited. As there was no candidate for advancement and the Wor. M. was suffering from a severe cold no degree was conferred. I found a fine feeling of harmony among the brethren and the future looks bright.

March 16th Craig Lodge, Ailsa Craig, was visited. The second degree was very nicely put on. Although but recently dedicated it is making good progress.

April 6th Irving Lodge No. 154, Lucan, put on the first degree in a very satisfactory manner. This lodge has the youngest Master in the district, which shows zeal for the institution.

April 7th Tudor Lodge No. 154, Mitchell, was visited and I witnessed the conferring of the second degree in a worthy manner on a superior candidate. Rt. Wor. Bro. Copus was present and gave an excellent address.

I visited Milverton Lodge No. 478 April 10th. The first degree was exemplified. This lodge shows fair progress and the prospects are good.

April 19th I visited St. James Lodge No. 73, St. Marys. The attendance at this lodge was not so large owing to the sudden return of winter. The officers of this lodge are very efficient and take a keen interest in the welfare of the craft. Rt. Wor. Bro. Empey, P.D.D.G.M. of one of the Western Provinces, was present and shows great zeal for the institution. I had the honor on behalf of the officers and brethren of this lodge of presenting the immediate Past Master with the P. M.'s apron, to which he replied in a suitable manner.

Tecumseh Lodge No. 144, Stratford, was visited on the evening of Friday, April 21st. This is the strongest lodge in the district. I congratulate the officers and P. M.'s for their interest in the craft. The third degree was conferred in the usual impressive manner.

Britannia Lodge No. 170, Seaforth, was visited Monday evening, May 1st. The first degree was exemplified in a manner that shows the officers are well instructed in their work, and a very enjoyable evening was spent.

Lebanon Forest Lodge No. 133, Exeter, was visited on the evening of May 8th. The floor work in this lodge was the best I have seen in the district, and their future looks promising.

Maitland Lodge No. 33, Goderich, received the official visit Tuesday evening, May 9th. The third degree was conferred in a very praiseworthy manner. This is the oldest lodge in the district, and is decidedly marked by efficiency and interest in the work.

Morning Star Lodge No. 309, Carlow, was visited on the evening of May 10th. This lodge can boast one of the very best Masters in the district in the person of Wor. Bro. Sallows, and is ably assisted by the P. M.'s and officers. This is more creditable owing to the fact that it is composed entirely of members of a rural community, many of them having to drive

many miles to attend, but who do so regularly and loyally.

Hullett Lodge No. 568, Londesboro, was visited June 6th. This was the last lodge in the district to receive its warrant. Under the able leadership of Wor. Bro. Sampson it is making good progress and will no doubt in the near future be a credit to the craft.

On June 9th I had the honor of instituting a new lodge at Tavistock. This lodge is nicely situated, and under proper management should become a strong lodge.

I paid my last visit to Blyth Lodge No. 303, where I was accompanied by a number of brethren from my home lodge. The attendance was good, and a pleasant evening was spent. They have recently re-decorated their lodge rooms, which makes it bright and attractive.

In conclusion, I wish to again thank the brethren for the honor they conferred upon me in electing me to the office of D.D.G.M. I wish also to thank the officers and brethren of the different lodges for the kindly manner in which they received me on my official visits.

The work of the year has been a wonderful inspiration to me, and I only hope that in my humble way I have been able to do something for the good of the brethren and advancement of the craft, for it is along this line that I have endeavored to work harmoniously among the brethren.

It is both with regret and relief that I finish the work of the year, and I hand over the gavel to my successor in office with my best wishes.

May prosperity continue and may the principles of brotherly love, relief and truth characterize us as men and Masons.

Fraternally submitted,

I. HETHERINGTON, D.D.G.M.,
South Huron District No. 4.

NORTH HURON DISTRICT No. 5.

To The Most Worshipful The Grand Master, Officers and Members of The Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren,—

I have very great pleasure in submitting for your consideration my report on the condition of Masonry in North Huron District No. 5.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the brethren for the honor and distinction bestowed upon me in electing me to this high and important office and to the lodges in the district for their hearty co-operation and also to the members, individually, in helping me to perform the duties such an office demands; particularly am I grateful to those who have so kindly assisted me in my work.

Harmony has prevailed throughout the district. No complaints have been referred to your representative. Progress in every lodge has been noted; this progress has not been alone in the number of Masons made, but also in the general tone and character of the work done. Dignity and decorum were the rule, not only on the part of the officers, but also the brethren. While good fellowship existed in all quarters, and the social side of Masonry was not neglected, there was also an apparent sense of responsibility and a zeal for the true spirit of Masonry which will bear fruit in the lives of the brethren in this district.

Wingham Lodge No. 286, Wingham. I visited this lodge on October 4th, 1921, and was courteously received by the brethren. The Worshipful Master, Worshipful Brother Jobb, and his officers worked the second degree on three candidates in a very satisfactory manner. Wor. Bro. Bisbie is to be congratulated as Secretary of the lodge for the very able manner in which he keeps his books. After the lodge was closed a very dainty lunch was prepared and enjoyed. Then a toast list and speaking brought the evening to a close.

Blair Lodge No. 314, Palmerston. I visited this lodge on October 14th, 1921, accompanied by Rt. Wor.

Brothers Foster and Watson, Wor. Bro. N. Blackmore and Bro. D. Orr, and was well received by the Wor. Master and brethren in a very kind and courteous manner. The Wor. Master, Wor. Bro. Barton, and his officers put on the first degree in a very satisfactory manner. Very Wor. Bro. McEwing, the Secretary of Blair Lodge, has his books well kept. After the lodge was closed a very dainty lunch was prepared and enjoyed, which brought the evening to a close.

Bernard Lodge No. 225, Listowel. I visited this, my home lodge, on March 10th, 1922, and was kindly received by the Wor. Master and a large gathering of members and visitors. I am pleased to say that the Wor. Master and all his officers have their work up well in all the three degrees. No work being on, after a very pleasant talk on Masonry and the lodge being closed, the brethren repaired to McDonald's hall, where a very pleasant At Home was held. An excellent program of music and addresses was given, after which lunch was served, which brought the evening's entertainment to a close.

Old Light Lodge No. 184, Lucknow. I visited this lodge on April 6th, and was met at the depot by Rt. Wor. Bro. Patterson, Wor. Brothers Reid and Armstrong, and was courteously received by the brethren. The Wor. Master, Wor. Bro. Reid, and his officers put on the second degree in a very satisfactory manner. Rt. Wor. Bro. Wilson is to be congratulated as Secretary of the lodge for the very able manner in which he keeps his books. The lodge being closed the brethren repaired to the dining-room where a dainty lunch was prepared and enjoyed. After which a toast list and speeches brought the evening to a close.

St. John's Lodge No. 248, Brussels. I visited this lodge on April 11th, and was courteously received by the Wor. Master and members of St. John's Lodge. The Wor. Master, Bro. Neal and his officers put on the work in the first degree in a very able manner. This lodge is in a very prosperous condition. After the lodge was closed a very dainty lunch was served and enjoyed, five ministers being present. A toast list and speaking brought the evening to a close.

Teeswater Lodge No. 276, Teeswater. I visited this lodge on April 27th, accompanied by our Wor. Master, Wor. Bro. Lavery, Wor. Brothers Noah Blackmore and John Blackmore and Brothers Hamilton, Burnett, Orr, Morris and Squires, and was well received by the brethren of Teeswater Lodge. The Wor. Master, Wor. Bro. Hiscox and his officers are to be congratulated on the most excellent manner in which they put on the work in the first degree, and Rt. Wor. Bro. Fowler, the Secretary, is the right man in the right place. After the lodge was closed the brethren repaired to the Hotel Vendome where a fine banquet was held and enjoyed, after which a toast list and speaking brought the evening to a close.

Nothern Light Lodge No. 93, Kincardine. I visited this lodge on May 3rd, and was met at the depot by Rt. Wor. Bro. MacPherson and Wor. Bro. Clements and was courteously received by the brethren of Northern Light Lodge. The Wor. Master, Wor. Bro. Slight, and his officers conferred the first degree on a candidate in a very satisfactory manner. The splendid choir was a great improvement in this degree. Rt. Wor. Bro. MacPherson, the secretary, has the dues well collected, and his books are well kept. After the lodge was closed the brethren repaired to their banquet hall, where an excellent repast was followed by a toast list and speaking, which brought the evening to a close.

Forest Lodge No. 162, Wroxeter. I visited this lodge on May 8th, accompanied by a number of brethren from my home lodge, and was well received by the brethren of Forest Lodge. The Wor. Master, Wor. Bro. Davidson, and his officers put on the second degree on three candidates in a very able manner. Rt. Wor. Bro. Brown, the secretary, has his books well kept and the dues well collected. After the lodge was closed a banquet was served at the hotel and a toast list and speeches brought the evening to a close.

Fordwich Lodge No. 331, Fordwich. I visited this lodge on May 11th, accompanied by a number of brethren from Listowel and was received by the officers and brethren of Fordwich Lodge in a very kind and courteous manner. The officers put on the third degree in a very satisfactory manner. There were

quite a number of visitors present from Wroxeter, including Rt. Wor. Bro. Brown. After a number of speeches the lodge was closed. A very dainty lunch was served and enjoyed, which brought the evening to a close.

Bruce Lodge No. 341, Tiverton. I visited this lodge on June 6th, accompanied by about 25 brethren from Kincardine, with Rt. Wor. Bro. MacPherson, also Rt. Wor. Bro. Scott, D.D.G.M. Bruce District No. 24, and a number of brethren from Southampton, and was courteously received by the officers and brethren of Bruce Lodge. The Wor. Master and his officers put on the second degree in an almost faultless manner. After the lodge was closed the brethren repaired to the hotel, where a very fine banquet was held and enjoyed, after which a toast list and speaking brought the evening to a close.

In conclusion, I wish to express my sincere thanks to the brethren of the lodges for the uniform courtesy. I have endeavoured to discharge the duties of my office with zeal and without prejudice have advised, rather than criticized. If any faults exist, I have been anxious to conceal them, realizing that we are all human. I am glad to report that peace and harmony prevail in this district. A year of most pleasant official relations has closed.

The hearty handshake I received from the brethren wherever I went is a source of pleasure and satisfaction to me, and if I have erred I ask one and all, as true Masons, to cover up my faults with the broad mantle of charity and brotherly love.

Fraternally submitted.

THOS. BLACKMORE, D.D.G.M.,
North Huron District No. 5.

WILSON DISTRICT, No. 6

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of The Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The detailed statement of work done in the various lodges, which is submitted herewith, strikingly portrays the success of our institution in the historic Wilson District. Let me add to this, however, that judgment of success based on numerical strength, and financial standing, would fall short of actual conditions, for there exists throughout the District a depth of fraternal regard, and an appreciation of Masonic principles, which you could hardly fail to realize, had you the opportunity to observe these as was my privilege during the fraternal and official visits to the various lodges. Official visits were made as follows:

- August 29, 1921—Springfield, No. 259, Springfield.
- Sept. 20, 1921—Doric, No. 569, Lakeside.
- Oct. 13, 1921—Oak Branch, No. 261, Innerkip.
- Oct. 14, 1921—Vittoria, No. 359—Vittoria.
- Oct. 21, 1921—Blenheim, No. 108, Princeton.
- Nov. 14, 1921—Frederick, No. 217, Delhi.
- Nov. 15, 1921—Oriental, No. 181, Port Burwell.
- Dec. 9, 1921—Plattsville, No. 178, Plattsville.
- Jan. 6, 1922—Vienna, No. 237, Vienna.
- Jan. 10, 1922—Norfolk, No. 10, Simcoe.
- March, 17, 1922—St. John, No. 68, Ingersoll.
- May, 8, 1922—King Solomon, No. 43, Woodstock
- May 8, 1922—Oxford, No. 76, Woodstock.
- May, 10, 1922—King Hiram, No. 78, Tillsonburg.
- May 11, 1922—Thistle, No. 250, Embro.
- May 16, 1922—St. John, No. 104, Norwich.
- June 5, 1922—Erie, No. 149, Port Dover.
- June 8, 1922,—Walsingham, No. 174, Port Rowan.

My Mother Lodge, King Hiram, No. 37, was visited frequently.

In making visits as recorded above, nothing was observed to which attention of Grand Lodge should be specially directed. While mistakes were made in ritualistic work, yet these were almost always the result of

some nervousness and in no case was there any attempt at departure from ancient usages and customs. Officers generally, were well posted and members showed a keen interest in the proceedings, and I take this opportunity of expressing my extreme gratification at the efforts made, not only to make the District Deputy welcome but to exemplify Masonry in all its beauty and dignity.

During the year there have been several events of importance to which reference should be made.

On January 20th, last, the two Ingersoll lodges, King Hiram, and St. John, were highly honored, in that their installation ceremony was conducted by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master himself. The visit of Most Worshipful Bro. Ponton was naturally of extreme interest to the fraternity, and in addition he proved himself a good mixer with Ingersoll citizens, addressing the Kiwanis Club at luncheon. His talks, both inside and outside the lodge room, were very much appreciated.

On August 29th, 1921, Springfield Lodge celebrated their Golden Jubilee. An impressive feature of a splendid evening, was the fact that five of the Charter Members of the lodge occupied the principal chairs.

September 20th, 1921, marked the institution and dedication of Doric Lodge, No. 569, at Lakeside. Under direction of the Grand Master it was my honor to conduct the impressive ceremony, assisted by many distinguished brethren from this and neighboring districts. Much of the preliminary work in connection with the forming of this lodge was done by Rt. Wor. Bros. Blair and Montgomery, of Woodstock, and Rt. Wor. Bro. Martin, of Port Dover. With such sponsors the incentive given to Rt. Wor. Bro. Dunlop, the first Master, and his officers, should carry this new lodge over the shoals into navigable waters.

Lodge of Instruction was held in Ingersoll on May 18th, at which every lodge, but one, was represented. Doric, the baby lodge, exemplified the First Degree; Woodstock brethren from both lodges conducted a Board of Trial; and Oriental lodge conferred the Third Degree. The interchange of ideas in the discussion which followed, opened up new possibilities, and I am but expressing the views of a number who spoke to me personally, when I say that the day was a success.

The last event to which reference will be made is that of the unveiling of the monument to the memory of William Mercer Wilson, the first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Grand Lodge convened at the rooms of Norfolk Lodge, No. 10, Simcoe, Most Wor. Bro. Ponton presiding. On calling off the brethren proceeded to a quiet country church-yard, midway between Simcoe and Port Dover, where under the shadow of St. John's Church, the mortal remains of Most Wor. Bro. Wilson have rested for almost half a century, forgotten, almost, in the stress and strain of modern life. The thread of remembrance, however, was never entirely broken, and it needed but a hint from Rt. Wor. Bro. Martin, of Port Dover, to awaken the brethren to a responsibility not shirked, but overlooked. Here on June 16th, a monument, the gift of the entire Fraternity in Ontario, was unveiled by the Grand Master assisted by Most Wor. Bro. W. R. White and other brethren, which shall forever mark the spot where he rests and preserve indelibly in our minds his Masonic achievements.

Fraternally yours,

R. B. HUTT, D.D.G.M.

Wilson District No. 6.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT No. 7

To The Most Worshipful The Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren,—

I submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master of Wellington District No. 7, for the year 1921-22.

The eighteen lodges in this district have been visited by me officially at least once, and it has also been my pleasure to visit some of them unofficially.

The Masonic spirit is well understood and practised by the brethren throughout the district, and the Master and his Officers in the several lodges exemplify the work in a uniform and exceptionally efficient manner, the time-honored principles and traditions of the fraternity are well guarded, and the dignity of the Order is being upheld. The Secretary of each lodge is competent and the records well kept. The membership is increasing generally, and particular care is being exercised in the choice of candidates. Masonry in Wellington District No. 7 is in a very healthy condition.

In conclusion, I extend thanks to the district for my election to the office of District Deputy Grand Master. My duties have been made most pleasant by the kindly hospitality extended and the genial good-fellowship exhibited.

The District Secretary, Wor. Bro. Joseph A. King, has been most conscientious in the discharge of his duties.

Fraternally submitted.

H. C. EDGAR, D.D.G.M.,
Wellington District No. 7.

HAMILTON DISTRICT No. 8.

To The Most Worshipful The Grand Master, Officers and Members of The Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren,—

It is with much pleasure that I have the honour to submit for your consideration my report on the condition of Masonry in the Hamilton District No. 8, and the work of the various lodges during the past Masonic year.

It has been a year of much pleasure and profit to me, and I wish to sincerely thank my brethren for the great honour they conferred upon me in electing me to so distinguished a position. I am fully conscious of the honour, and I have tried to be worthy of the great confidence and trust that my brethren placed in me. Everywhere and all the time I have met with kindness, courtesy and hospitality, and for this I sincerely thank my brethren. To those who so ably helped me in my work, who gave me kindly advice, who accompanied me on my visits, who cheered me by the inspiration of their presence, I am deeply grateful.

I was fortunate in appointing as my District Secretary W. Bro. Herbert W. Temple, who has been efficiency itself, and untiring in his efforts in arranging our official visits. I appointed as District Chaplain Bro. the Rev. James Annesley, who accompanied us on most of our visits, offered the prayer at the Institution of four new lodges, was always cheerful in his associations with his brethren, and eloquent when he spoke in the banquet room. It is with deep regret and sincere sorrow that I tell of the death of Bro. Annesley just after our visit to St. Clair Lodge, Milton, in May.

At the September meeting of my own lodge, Acacia No. 61, the regalia of my office, so promptly procured by the committee of my district, was presented to me by R. W. Bro. B. E. Thompson.

In September, too, the Hamilton Council of Ruling Masters invited me to be their guest at a luncheon. I gave a short address on the educational influence of

Masonry, and we talked over the various methods by which the Officers of lodges could be of best service to the members. I want to say that much good came of this meeting, and that this Council has done much to improve the work and to secure co-operation between the lodges in all the work. The Ruling Masters of the Eighth Masonic District are without exception able, devoted and courteous men, who are sparing no effort to make their lodges a success. The Secretary, next to the Master, is the most important officer in a lodge, for if the books of a lodge are not properly kept, and the business conducted promptly, courteously, and exactly, there will soon be confusion and indifference. This seems to have been understood in this district, for all the secretaries are capable, and the books of every lodge in the district are in good order, and all the accounts and other records are well kept. I have, therefore, little to criticize, but much to praise and approve. True, in degree work in some of the rural lodges there might be a little more decision and exactness in the spoken phrases, but whatever lack there may be in this particular is more than made up in the earnestness and sincerity with which the work is done.

Throughout the whole district there is amity and harmony among the lodges, fraternal visits are frequent, and each lodge vies with the other in hospitality. In Hamilton there is a United Masonic Benevolent Fund to which all the city and some of the rural lodges contribute, and there is splendid co-operation in looking after the sick and needy.

Institution of New Lodges

According to dispensations granted, I have instituted four new lodges, as follows:—

“St. Andrew’s Lodge,” Hamilton, December 28th.

“Hillcrest Lodge,” Mt. Hamilton, December 30th.

“The Hugh Murray Lodge,” Hamilton, February 21st.

“Campbell Lodge,” Campbellville, March 31st.

Official Visits.

All of the lodges I have visited once, some twice, some three times, and some four. I have made about

sixty-five visits, not that this was necessary, but I received much pleasure and profit from each visit.

Buchanan Lodge No. 550. On October 6th I made an official visit to this young lodge and conducted the election of officers. This is the first election the lodge has had, but it went with great unanimity, and Bro. D. A. Gallagher, the first Senior Warden, was elected to the Master's chair. The retiring Master, W. Bro. J. C. Springstead, is a splendid ritualist, loves Masonry, and the lodge has made splendid progress in its infancy under his guidance. The finances of the lodge are in good shape, and the members seem very capable and enthusiastic.

Enniskillen Lodge No. 185. This lodge is proud to have M. W. Bro. Harcourt as a member, and a former resident of the locality. I visited this lodge on October 10th, just after the first fall rain, and it was a bad night, but there was a good turnout of members. The officers of the lodge worked the second degree, and did it well. W. Bro. Donald Wilson and W. Bro. Whateley of the Barton Lodge No. 6 accompanied me on this occasion, along with R. W. Bro. James McGregor, and a number of other distinguished brethren. The lodge made good progress during the past year, and certain conditions that prevented its growth have ceased to exist. Though the area from which to draw members is limited, yet the prospects of the lodge are bright. The members certainly understand Masonic hospitality.

Harmony Lodge No. 57. I have known and visited this lodge for twenty years, and they have always done good work. I made my official visit to this lodge on October 12th, and witnessed the first degree, and, as I expected, the work was so well done that criticism was almost impossible. The lodge is making good progress, both numerically and financially. This lodge has a splendid list of Past Masters, and the Master, W. Bro. T. H. Gowland, received the very best support. We had a splendid meeting, good songs and good speeches. Among the visitors who spoke were R. W. Bro. B. E. Thompson and F. A. Latshaw, W. Bro. J. F. Felker, J. T. Chittick, F. W. Davidson, C. H. Nix, Joseph Irwin, J. P. Parker, L. Stephens, S. A. Wait, and W. Bro. Hugh Murray.

Electric Lodge No. 495. I was present at the institution of this lodge a few years ago. I made my official visit on October 19th, and conducted the election of officers, and received a report of the condition of the lodge from the secretary, W. Bro. Montague, who is an ideal secretary. This lodge has made good progress and is in splendid condition. The banquet room often reflects the intellectual life of the lodge, and this was so on this occasion, for the programme was good. W. Bro. A. E. Hutchinson made a good Master and presided with dignity. Among those who spoke was W. Bro. Frank Hills.

Corinthian Lodge No. 513, Hamilton. I was also present at the institution of this lodge a few years ago. It gave me great pleasure to pay my official visit to this lodge on October 27th and conduct the election of officers. The election was harmonious, and the District Secretary's report showed the lodge to be making splendid progress. The W. M., W. Bro. J. W. Will, is to be congratulated on the success of his year's work. The P. M.'s, W. Bros. F. H. Nairn, H. R. Clark and Paul Lumsden, have been great sources of strength and may be relied upon for the future. We had a splendid time in the banquet room.

Ionic Lodge No. 549, Hamilton. I have known and visited this lodge since I was present at its institution, and I have watched its steady progress. I paid my official visit to this lodge on November 2nd, and conducted the election of officers. There was great unanimity in the balloting, and I am sure there is no dissension in Ionic Lodge now. The W. M., W. Bro. Paul Lumsden, who was the first W. M. of the lodge, has seen the lodge firmly established. The District Secretary's report showed good progress. A good secretary is a source of strength in any lodge. Ionic Lodge has now that source of strength, for W. Bro. S. A. Wait was elected secretary, and no better choice could have been made. The fraternity and hospitality of Ionic was splendid. The after meeting in the banquet room was of the highest order.

St. Andrew's Lodge No. 62, Caledonia. My official visit to this lodge was made on November 10th. I witnessed the first degree worked in the very best

form. The W. M., W. Bro. Michael Brown, is to be congratulated upon the work, and he was ably supported by the Past Masters. The secretary, W. Bro. John Thompson, keeps the books and records of the lodge in good order. R. W. Bro. James McGregor and V. W. Bro. Renwick are sources of strength to this lodge. The hospitality of St. Andrew's is well known, and the entertainment in the banquet room was of the highest order. Among those who spoke were R. W. Bro. F. A. Latshaw, W. Bros. S. A. Wait, John Forth, H. W. Temple and C. H. Nix.

Lincoln Lodge No. 544, Abingdon. This is a young lodge, but it is very vigorous. I had the pleasure of going through much mud to pay my official visit to this lodge on November 18th. I witnessed the second degree, really well worked. The secretary's report showed the lodge to have made good progress. The W. M., W. Bro. Seth Parker, has done good work, and has been ably supported by W. Bro. E. McEvoy and R. W. Bro. J. F. Senn. R. W. Bro. Senn took the initial steps in organizing Lincoln Lodge and in some recognition for what the lodge owes to him the brethren had a splendid picture of our R. W. Brother hung on the wall of the lodge room. I had the honour of unveiling this picture. I shall never forget the emotion and the eloquent thoughts expressed by R. W. Bro. Senn in acknowledging the honour he had received. It was very late when the lodge was closed, but we were entertained in fine style in the banquet hall. A number of splendid speeches were made, but the most noted was that of R. W. Bro. Senn. I regret to report that this R. W. Brother, who had been ailing for over a year, passed away within ten days of this meeting. He was respected and honoured by all.

Wardrope Lodge No. 555, Hamilton. I was present at the institution of this lodge, and have attended many of its meetings. It has made the most rapid growth of any lodge I know. It was a great pleasure to visit this lodge and conduct the election of officers on November 28th. The election was harmonious in every way. The secretary's report showed wonderful progress made both in numbers and in finance and in benevolence. This is a real live lodge. The first W. M., W. Bro. John Forth, is a splendid

ritualist and an enthusiastic Mason. He is a worker in the best sense. His brethren acknowledged his great work by presenting him with a beautiful cabinet of silver. The new M. W., W. Bro. F. J. Richardson, is an able man, and with the assistance of an ideal secretary, W. Bro. A. E. Wilcox, will no doubt repeat last year's success. In the banquet room we had the rare treat of listening to an eloquent address by M. W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope.

Tuscan Lodge No. 551, Hamilton. I was present at the institution of this lodge a little over a year ago, and I am personally acquainted with many of its members. It was a real pleasure to pay my official visit to this lodge on December 1st and conduct the election of officers. The election was harmonious, and the first Master of the lodge, W. Bro. Frank Hills, by his splendid ability and great tact, has succeeded in starting this lodge and laying its foundations securely and broad-based. W. Bro. Hills is to be congratulated upon his work, and W. Bro. H. E. Warner has made a good secretary. My secretary's report showed the books of the lodge and all records in proper order, and the lodge to be making good, healthy progress. The hospitality and the character of the entertainment shown in the banquet room were of the best.

Acacia Lodge No. 61, Hamilton. I made my official visit to Acacia on December 9th, and conducted the election of officers. Everything was harmonious and enthusiastic. W. Bro. Charles Brown is to be congratulated upon his work of the past year, and I feel sure that his successor, W. Bro. David G. Shearer, will have the same measure of success. This lodge is an old one, but it has not lost its youthful enthusiasm. It has a great record, and its progress is still advancing. The Past Masters of this lodge are able, loyal and still enthusiastic. It is the largest lodge in the district, and its finances are in good shape. Acacia is never behind in charitable work, and last year contributed \$1,500 to build a preventorium for children at the Mountain Sanatorium. The entertainment in the banquet room on this, as on all occasions, was of high order. Among those who spoke were M. W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope, R. W. Bro. Lyman Lee, and W. Bro. William Ostler.

Wentworth Lodge No. 166, Stoney Creek. This is my Mother Lodge, and it was a delight to visit it on December 12th and conduct the election of officers. The work of this lodge is always good, and the retiring Master, W. Bro. Edgar Anderson, is to be congratulated upon having perhaps the most successful year in the history of the lodge. I trust that the incoming Master, W. Bro. A. Carman, will be just as successful. Accompanying me on this occasion were the W.M., W. Bro. A. B. Hopkins, a number of his Past Masters and members of St. John's Lodge, Hamilton. The speeches in the banquet room were of high order. Among those who spoke were R. W. Bro. B. E. Thompson, W. Bro. A. B. Hopkins, James Mercer and Wm. Robinson.

Temple Lodge No. 324. I made my official visit to Temple Lodge on December 13th and conducted the election of officers. The election was an expression of confidence in the officers, as each was promoted to the position he had earned. My secretary's report on the year's work showed good progress, and everything in this lodge is in good order, and the members are zealous in Masonry. After the lodge meeting we were royally entertained, and among the speakers were R. W. Bro. R. H. Foster and W. Bro. John Forth.

Burlington Lodge No. 165. My official visit to this lodge was made on December 14th, and I conducted the election of officers. W. Bro. A. C. Ferguson, the retiring Master, had a splendid year, and the report of my secretary showed the lodge in good condition and interested in all that is best in Masonry. Burlington Lodge has a record for good work, and for hospitality, and this occasion was no exception. We had a splendid entertainment and good Masonic speeches were made by R. W. Bros. H. A. Graham, C. V. Emory, F. A. Latshaw, and W. Bros. J. Forth, F. J. Richardson and S. A. Wait.

St. John's Lodge No. 40, Hamilton. It was a great pleasure to visit this lodge on December 15th and conduct the election of officers. The election was unanimous. There is great harmony in St. John's. My secretary's report showed that everything in this lodge is in proper order, reflecting much credit on

W. Bro. B. T. Simpson, its popular secretary. W. Bro. A. B. Hopkins, the retiring W. M., had a year of good progress. I trust the incoming W. M., W. Bro. C. F. Marshall, will have equally as good a term of office. There was a large number present, and all were interested in the report on the success of the lodge. We were well entertained in the banquet room, and the speeches expressed the highest ideals of Masonry.

The Lodge of Strict Observance No. 27, Hamilton. I have often visited this old lodge, and have always seen the offices of the lodge conducted with dignity and perfection. It was my great pleasure to conduct the election of officers on December 16th, and the result of the election showed that the members have every confidence in their officers. During the past year the retiring Master, W. Bro. W. C. Herald, has maintained the best traditions of the lodge, and has met with every success, and the incoming Master, W. Bro. R. B. Cheyne, gives promise of being a very successful Master. The finances of the lodge are large, and are in good order, and the secretary, W. Bro. H. W. Linton, keeps the records in the very best shape. We were enthusiastically received and royally entertained.

Dundurn Lodge No. 475, Hamilton. I have often visited this lodge and several times I have given addresses in the banquet room, especially near or on the 17th of March. I conducted the election of officers on December 17th. There was a large vote, and the ballots were practically unanimous. W. Bro. Geo. Laidlaw had a splendid year, and the new Master, W. Bro. Geo. Milne, has the confidence of everybody, and the lodge must make just as good progress under his guidance. The secretary of Dundurn, R. W. Bro. Geo. Lanigan, has been very sick for some time, but the work has been efficiently kept up by W. Bro. James Dunlop. We were well received and splendidly entertained in the banquet room. I visited this lodge again on the 17th of March and was again enthusiastically received.

Doric Lodge No. 382, Hamilton. We paid an official visit to this lodge on December 19th and conducted the election of officers. There were a large number

present. The election was practically unanimous. My secretary reported the records of the lodge in perfect shape, a history having been completed by the secretary, R. W. Bro. C. V. Emory. W. Bro. Holmes, the retiring Master, has reason to be proud of his record, and the destiny of the lodge for another year is in good hands—the hands of W. Bro. Robert Clark. The after meeting was largely attended, and the music and speeches were worthy of Masonry.

Hamilton Lodge No. 562, Hamilton. On January the 9th we paid our official visit to this lodge and witnessed the work of the first degree. It was splendidly done. I had been with this lodge a short time before to Toronto to visit Kilwinning Lodge, and I saw their work there, therefore I was prepared to see the best. W. Bro. Hallet is the second Master who has presided over this lodge, and he is making a success. This lodge is only a little over a year old, yet it is firmly established and owes its early guidance to W. Bro. Ewart Dixon. The books of the lodge and records are well looked after by the secretary, W. Bro. D. R. Gibson. We were received with every honour and courtesy, and we enjoyed the after entertainment.

Seymour Lodge No. 272, Ancaster. We officially visited this lodge on January 10th, and witnessed the work of the second degree. The work was well done, with exactness and impressiveness. The candidate was very bright and knew the work of the former degree well. The lodge is making progress, and its finances and records are in proper shape. I had the great honour of presenting Past Masters' jewels to W. Bros. Dr. Farmer, Edgar Wright, I. Sager, G. B. Smith and C. H. Stuart. I enjoyed the speeches made in reply to the presentation, for they were reminiscent of the history of the lodge. We had a splendid entertainment in the banquet room, and speeches were made by R. W. Bro. F. A. Latshaw, W. Bros. F. Hills, J. Forth, S. A. Wait and Bro. H. Regan, ex-M.L.A.

The Barton Lodge No. 6, Hamilton. We visited this historic lodge on March the 8th, and witnessed the first degree worked in the most dignified and impressive manner. The W. M., W. Bro. Donald Wilson, has had a very successful year. He has put great energy and enthusiasm into his work. This lodge,

though old, is yet young in enthusiasm. Some of the most distinguished men in Canada are members of this lodge. W. Bro. E. B. O'Reilly has compiled very interesting documents and ancient emblems pertaining to the early history of the lodge. The lodge has a very able secretary, and all its records and books are well kept. There were a large number present, and we were enthusiastically received and entertained. I attended a meeting of the Barton again in June, and conducted the election of officers. The lodge has every prospect of retaining its high position in the future.

Dufferin Lodge No. 291, West Flamboro. I visited this lodge in October, when the officers and members of High Park Lodge, Toronto, were paying a fraternal visit, and witnessed the work of the first degree. We made our official visit on March 9th, and again saw the first degree worked by the officers of the lodge. It was well done. This lodge is in good condition, and owns its own lodge room, which is a fine one, being formerly a church. The books and records are well kept. There were a large number present, and the entertainment after the meeting was good. Addresses were given by R. W. Bro. F. A. Latshaw and W. Bros. Rev. E. Sheppard, S. A. Wait, John Forth and H. W. Linton.

Valley Lodge No. 100, Dundas. This splendid lodge we visited on April 10th. We saw the work of the first degree well exemplified on a very bright candidate. The W. M., W. Bro. Samson, is doing good work, and is ably supported by a splendid list of Past Masters. The secretary, R. W. Bro. F. A. Latshaw, has everything pertaining to the history of the lodge in good shape, and his records and books are models of neatness and clearness. A large number were present, including visitors from Ancaster, Dufferin, Waterdown and Hamilton. We had a fine after-meeting with inspiring songs and eloquent Masonic addresses. I shall never forget my reception and the beautiful fraternal hospitality of Valley Lodge.

Waterdown Lodge No. 357, Millgrove. We visited this lodge on April 11th. The lodge room was crowded with visitors from Burlington, Milton, Dundas, Ancaster, Dufferin and Hamilton. The first degree was worked by the officers of the lodge. The

work was well done. The lodge has had a successful year, and the W. Master has been ably supported by his Past Masters, most of whom were present. The secretary, Bro. Poole, has the records and books of the lodge in good condition. We were royally received and entertained. Short addresses were given by R. W. Bros. F. A. Latshaw, James Dixon, W. Bros. J. Forth, John Smoke, Wm. Robinson and A. J. Lanchbury of Ionic Lodge.

Oakville Lodge No. 400, Oakville. We officially visited this lodge on May 2nd, and saw the work of the first degree. It was well done. The W. M., W. Bro. J. H. Hodge, was ably supported by his Past Masters, who are very loyal and active. The books and records of the lodge are well kept by the secretary, Bro. E. A. Taylor. The lodge had a good year. We were well received and entertained. An interesting feature was the presentation of a cane to V. W. Bro. Major Kaiting, who is over eighty years old, and rarely misses a meeting of the lodge. We had with us W. Bro. Geo. Milne and a number of his Past Masters of Dundurn Lodge, and W. Bro. A. J. Lanchbury of Ionic Lodge. Of course, we also had R. W. Bro. F. A. Latshaw, W. Bros. John Forth, A. Lavis and S. A. Wait.

Hillcrest Lodge U.D., Mt. Hamilton. This lodge was instituted in December, and we visited it on May the 8th, and found wonderful progress. I am proud of this lodge. In the five months they had initiated over twenty candidates; they had partitioned a large hall, making a lodge room and dining-room, painted and decorated and secured furniture, and were out of debt with everything paid, and a handsome surplus. There are three Past Masters in the three principal chairs. W. Bro. Dr. Newell, W.M., W. Bro. J. A. Yorick, S. Ward., W. Bro. J. R. Gunn. The officers worked the first degree, and I have rarely seen it better done. The lodge is getting a fine class of members, and many splendid Masons are affiliating with it. This lodge has a bright future. The books are in good shape, and everything has been arranged to preserve the history yet to be written. We were royally entertained, and eloquent addresses were given by R. W. Bro. F. A.

Latshaw, Bro. Rev. J. Annesley, W. Bros. J. Forth, A. Lavis and R. W. Bros. W. R. Madill and P. A. Sommerville, and W. Bro. D. MacIlwraith.

St. Clair Lodge No. 135, Milton. I visited this lodge in March and listened to eloquent addresses by M. W. Bro. W. N. Ponton and R. W. Bro. Wm. Logan. We paid our official visit on May 11th, and saw the work of the first degree. The officers of the lodge did their work well. The candidate was a splendid specimen. While waiting in the ante-room he employed the time reviewing notes on Botany and Zoology for a University examination he was soon to take. A large number were present. We had with us Bro. H. D. Petrie of Acacia, R. W. Bro. F. A. Latshaw, W. Bros. John Smoke, S. A. Wait, R. W. Bro. H. A. Graham, all of whom gave short Masonic addresses.

St. Andrew's Lodge U.D., Hamilton. This lodge was instituted on December 28th. The institution meeting was one of the finest Masonic meetings I have ever seen. The Clans were all there. Those assisting in the ceremony were R. W. Bro. F. A. Latshaw, W. Bros. H. W. Temple, John Forth, A. Lavis, C. H. Nix, S. A. Wait, J. F. Mercer, I. Hawkins and V. W. Bro. Thomas E. Epps. Eloquent Masonic and Scotch addresses were given at the after meeting. We paid an official visit to St. Andrew's on May 24th, and beheld the work of the first degree. The work was splendid. The officers have good voices, and know how to use them. I never saw better work. The lodge has made wonderful progress. In the six months they have initiated over thirty-six candidates. They have all their regalia and a very interesting set of working tools and emblems, hand-made by the senior warden, Bro. John Drysdale. W. Bro. Donald Munro is a splendid W.M., a fine ritualist and a genial Scotch-Canadian gentleman. The junior warden, Bro. J. C. Munro, has his work well in hand. W. Bro. F. W. Davidson is the secretary, and no better choice could have been made. He is an accountant by profession, and he has the books and records of the lodge in the very best order. This lodge puts on very high class music, and a special speaker with a Masonic message after each regular meeting. The future of St. Andrew's Lodge is bright.

Campbell Lodge U.D., Campbellville. We instituted this lodge on a very stormy night, March 31st. Those taking part were R. W. Bro. F. A. Latshaw, W. Bros. John Forth, H. W. Temple, Arthur Lavis and Bro. the Rev. James Annesley. It was a splendid meeting, though the storm prevented a large number from being present. The Campbellville brethren are substantial men of business and industry and agriculture. They secured a hall, cleaned it, painted it, decorated the walls, secured lodge furniture and all necessities, and were prepared for the institution ceremony. We visited this lodge on June 16th, and watched the work of the first degree. It was well done. The lodge had made great progress, having initiated seven or eight candidates. The brethren meet now in a rented hall, but though small, it is comfortable. The brethren of Campbellville are progressive; they have secured a commodious building as their own, arranged the financing of it, and hope to have it renovated and decorated so that next Fall the Constitution, Consecration of the lodge, and the Dedication of the building may be concurrent.

The Hugh Murray Lodge U.D., Hamilton. We instituted this lodge on February 21st, 1922, and the meeting was a splendid gathering. There was great enthusiasm and confidence. The officers chosen assure the future of the lodge. The W.M., W. Bro. Arthur Lavis, a Past Master of Acacia Lodge, is of the best type, presides with dignity and knows his work well. Everybody loves him, and without saying much he gets the confidence of all. The S. W., Bro. Charles Peebles, has been prominent in other organizations and in municipal government, and has the ability and the adaptability to make a good W.M. The junior warden, Bro. Marriott, has the very best ability for the making of a future worshipful master. The secretary, V. W. Bro. J. H. Leach, knows his work, and the lodge books and records will be in good hands. During the programme in the banquet room we had the honour of having the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. W. N. Ponton, M.W. Bro. Harcourt and M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone, and R.W. Bro. W. M. Logan enter the room, sit down at our tables, and afterwards give short addresses. All spoke of the late M.W., Bro. Hugh Murray, after whom the lodge is named, in the very

highest terms. We visited the Hugh Murray Lodge on the 20th of June, and found everything in the finest order. We saw the first degree conferred on a very fine candidate. Over twenty initiations and many affiliations had much increased the membership since the institution of the lodge a few months previous. They have all the regalia and equipment and a large cash surplus. We look for a great future for the Hugh Murray Lodge.

In conclusion, let me anticipate that some who read this report may think it too optimistic; but it is not. Masonry may not be perfect in the Eighth Masonic District, but it is alive, vigorous and vigilant. Some things needed criticism, and I did not refrain from giving it, but I never criticised the officers before the lodge. I sought the W. M. alone, or with his best friends discussed the matter with him, secured his co-operation and promise that the matter would be corrected. In all my addresses I have emphasized the spiritual side of Masonry, and upheld the idea that Masonic education and Masonic ideals make for the development of the highest class of citizenship.

I have enjoyed the work, but it is strenuous, and it takes a man strong physically and of free mental activity to stand the strain. It might be a good thing to divide the district into District No. 8A and District No. 8B. There are now thirty lodges in the district, and more in prospect. One-half the City lodges and one-half the rural lodges would be grouped together in one division, and the other half of each in the other division.

I wish again to thank those who accompanied me, and those who assisted me by using their automobiles and their time. I wish I could mention them all, but space does not permit. No one will be offended if I especially thank my secretary, W. Bro. H. W. Temple, and R. W. Bro. F. A. Latslaw, who, though not a youth in years, but a youth in mind and thought, was present at nearly every meeting.

Ever shall I remember with fond recollection the kindness, the courtesy, the brotherly love, and the

fraternal good-will with which I was received by every lodge in the district. It is worth any effort, any sacrifice to have that memory. I thank my brethren for making that memory possible.

I anticipate and hope that my successor will have the same fraternal consideration and support.

Fraternally submitted.

C. E. KELLY, D.D.G.M.,
Hamilton District No. 8.

GEORGIAN DISTRICT No. 9

To The Most Worshipful The Grand Master, Officers and Members of The Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren,—

I have the honour to present herewith my report on the condition of Masonry throughout the Georgian District No. 9 for the past Masonic year.

Allow me first to express my appreciation of the high honour conferred upon me by the brethren in electing me as the representative of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, and to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to the brethren for their many kindnesses extended to me; also to the Past Grand Lodge officers, the ruling Masters, Past Masters and members of the lodges who accompanied me in such goodly numbers on my official visits.

My first official act was to appoint Bro. T. C. Luke of my own lodge as District Secretary. He has rendered very valuable assistance by his prompt attention to all details of the work and by a faithful discharge of the various duties of his office. I also had the hearty co-operation of Bro. Rev. John McNab as District Chaplain, and his advice proved in many cases to be most helpful.

I have personally visited each of the nineteen lodges of the district and am pleased to report that the utmost harmony prevails. As the representative of the Grand Master, I was received in every case with the greatest respect and cordiality, and the elaborate preparations for my visits and entertainment were in many cases most flattering.

The Most Wor. the G. M. has honoured the district with his cheerful presence on two different occasions during the past year, the first being at Midland on Monday, October 3rd, 1921, on the occasion of the Semi-Centennial celebration of Caledonian Lodge, No. 249, when the M. W. the G. M., on behalf of Caledonian Lodge, presented the President of St. Andrew's Hospital, Mr. F. W. Grant, with a marked cheque for

\$2,500.00 endowing a cot in perpetuity in that institution. The occasion was also made memorable by reason of the presence of six members of the Nettleton family, descendants of R. W. Bro. John Nettleton, who was the first Master of the Lodge, and later the first D.D.G.M. of the district. W. Bro. C. A. Nettleton, his oldest son, of Georgian Lodge, Penetanguishene, presented a large portrait of his father to the lodge, which will long be treasured for its historic associations. The second visit was made at Orillia on October 20th, 1921, on the occasion of a Past Masters' Night in that lodge, and was well attended by P. G. Lodge officers.

I have also been much impressed with the devotion shown to the cause of Masonry by the Past Masters of many of the lodges. What an inspiration and incentive to the younger Masons to perform faithfully the Masonic task set before them are these veterans of the craft, who, though they have entered upon the sere and yellow leaf of old age, joyfully and efficiently continue to share in loyally supporting the worshipful master in his guidance of the brethren.

Since taking over the duties of my office I have made an official visit to every lodge in the district. In almost every case work has been conferred, giving me an opportunity of judging the efficiency of the staff of officers of each lodge.

Dedication.

Under dispensation from the M. W. the G. M., I had the honour and privilege, on the evening of Friday, June 9th, of dedicating the lodge rooms of Tottenham Lodge No. 467, which the brethren have very tastefully furnished as their Masonic home, and which is an evidence of the zeal of the brethren of Tottenham Lodge. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, large numbers of visiting brethren from nearby lodges attended, and I particularly appreciated the help of R. W. Bro. W. J. Hill and R. W. Bro. McKnight during the ceremonies. Their assistance proved very valuable and the whole ceremony went very smoothly. The sumptuous banquet which followed was rich in song and story, and, if good wishes

be the criterion, the brethren of Tottenham Lodge need have no fears for the future.

Official Visits.

Kerr Lodge No. 230, Barrie, Ontario, October 28th, 1921. The occasion of this, the first official visit of my term of office, was made the more memorable by being made in conjunction with the fraternal visit of the W. M., officers and a large number of the members of the John Ross Robertson Lodge No. 545, Toronto. The Entered Apprentice degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Channen, W.M., and his officers in a manner fully befitting the traditions of Kerr Lodge, and it was also made the more impressive by the excellent, choral singing of the choir of the John Ross Robertson Lodge during the ceremony. On this occasion I was honoured with the presence of R. W. Bro. T. J. Williams, D.D.G.M. of Muskoka District No. 19, an old Barrie boy, and R. W. Bro., A. N. Smith, P.D.D.G.M., and Past Grand Chaplain V. W. Bro. Rev. J. D. Byrnes, both of Nipissing District No. 18, R. W. Bro. W. J. Martin, P.D.D.G.M., R. W. Bro. John Little, P.D.D.G.M., and R. W. Bro. R. J. Sprott, P.D.D.G.M., all of Georgian District, and many other prominent members of the craft from neighbouring lodges. Kerr Lodge, with the loyal support of W. Bro. W. N. Duff as a most efficient secretary, and the active interest taken in the affairs of the lodge by R. W. Bro. R. J. Sprott, finds itself in a most favorable position.

Georgian Lodge No. 348, Penetanguishene, November 3rd, 1921. My visit to this lodge was made at their regular meeting in November. W. Bro. Benson and his officers worked the first degree in an exemplary manner. R. W. Bro. W. J. Martin and V. W. Bro. R. D. Keefe are a tower of strength to the lodge, and are untiring in their efforts on behalf of Masonry in this part of the district. A Past Master's jewel was presented to W. Bro. Robert Elliott, I.P.M. It was my pleasure and privilege to attend a later meeting in February of this year, the occasion being the celebration of the Diamond Jubille of W. Bro. G. A. F. Charlwood, for thirty-seven years a P. M. of this lodge.

Victoria Lodge No. 470, Victoria Harbor, November 9th, 1921. My visit to this lodge made a particularly happy visit, and the Wor. Master, W. Bro. James Hutchison, and a most efficient staff of officers conferred the degree of a Fellow Craft in a manner that was a credit to the lodge. I was also glad to have the opportunity of exchanging fraternal greetings with R. W. Bro. Byron Brown, a P.D.D.G.M. of this district. I found a most efficient secretary in charge and the books of the lodge in good shape.

Beaver Lodge No. 234, Clarksburg. I visited this lodge on March 7th, 1922. The Worshipful Master, R. W. Bro. Kent, and his officers exemplified the Fellowcraft degree in an excellent manner on two bright and promising candidates. A pleasant part of the evening's proceedings was the presentation of P. M. jewels to three Past Masters by R. W. Bro. Kent, in which their faithful services were fittingly referred to. The unveiling of a Memorial Tablet (the work of W. Bro. T. G. Idle) in memory of Bro. H. D. Laidlaw, an original member of the Princess Patricias who gave his life for his country in the Great War, was feelingly performed by R. W. Bro. Pye and appropriately referred to by W. Bro. C. W. Hartman. The Past Masters are loyal to this lodge, and they have an efficient and courteous secretary—W. Bro. Reekie.

Pythagoras Lodge No. 137, Meaford. I visited this lodge at a special meeting on March 8th, accompanied by W. Bro. J. M. Syer of Caledonian Lodge No. 249. The Worshipful Master, W. Bro. T. H. Randle, with Past Masters taking part, and full musical ritual in charge of R. W. Bro. J. B. Wallace, exemplified the first degree in a manner that was smooth and impressive. R. W. Bro. Wallace, P.D.D.G.M. of Nipissing District, is a valued member of Pythagoras Lodge, and his rendering of the charge of the candidate was the finest I had had the pleasure of hearing up to that time. W. Bro. Burritt, who was just celebrating his Masonic Diamond Jubilee, was present, and, I am pleased to say, was feeling hale and hearty. A portrait to the memory of the late W. Bro. Rev. John Berry, Chaplain-Elect, was unveiled and made a touching incident. W. Bro. Findlay proves a most efficient secretary, and the affairs of the lodge are in excellent

shape. Many visitors were present from the surrounding lodges.

Tottenham Lodge No. 467, Tottenham. I visited this lodge, officially, on Monday, March 13th, 1922, and, there being no candidate present, W. Bro. Weaver and his officers opened the lodge to the third degree for my inspection. The work was exceedingly well done, meriting no criticism, and in my remarks later I was pleased to congratulate the officers upon their work. A Board of Trial was also exemplified for the benefit of the brethren. This lodge has just moved into new and well-appointed quarters, and they have the hearty support and co-operation of a large number of enthusiastic Past Masters who are deeply interested in the welfare of this lodge in particular and the craft in general. The lodge books are well kept by a conscientious secretary, and the outlook for Tottenham Lodge appears to be a bright one.

Manitoba Lodge No. 236, Cookstown. I visited Manitoba Lodge on Tuesday, March 14th, 1922, and the work in the first degree was exemplified in a very creditable manner by the Worshipful Master, W. Bro. McClain, and his officers. There was a large attendance of the brethren, and the Past Masters of the lodge were also well represented. I am glad to report favorably on the very efficient floor work done in this lodge; also the work of the secretary is especially good, the books being kept in splendid shape.

Seven Star Lodge No. 285, Alliston. I had the pleasure of visiting this lodge at a special meeting on Wednesday, March 15th, 1922, and I expressed my gratitude to the brethren for calling this emergent meeting to suit my convenience. The first degree was exemplified by the Worshipful Master, W. Bro. Carr, and an excellent staff of officers. The work was impressive and was closely followed by the brethren on the side benches. At this communication it was my pleasure to again meet R. W. Bro. Hill, P.D.D.G.M., who, with a large number of Past Masters, have Masonry and the welfare of Seven Star Lodge at heart. There was a good attendance of members and also a large number of visitors from the nearby lodges. The lecture of the junior warden was especially well delivered. I feel that the future of this lodge is at

present in good hands, and that the ancient landmarks will be well guarded.

Manito Lodge No. 90, Collingwood. My visit to Manito Lodge, made on the occasion of their Annual Past Master's Night on Wednesday, March 22nd, 1922, will long be remembered by me as one of the most unique and enjoyable communications I ever had the pleasure of attending. This lodge is rich in traditional lore and the many reminders, in the form of ancient photographs and Masonic records, should form a never-ceasing source of interest and respect in its members. The regular officers, led by W. Bro. R. E. Robertson, who is a worthy successor to a long and honoured line of Masters noted for the high calibre of their work, their character and efficiency, opened the lodge in the three degrees in a manner that was faultless. The work of the Past Masters in raising Bro. Walkinshaw was at once accurate and impressive and the "Old Guard" nobly upheld the traditions for which they themselves are mainly responsible. This unique Communication also witnessed the celebration of the Diamond Jubilee in Masonry of M. W. Bro. Henry Robertson, whose fame in Masonic circles spreads all over this North American continent and about whose sterling services on behalf of the Craft there is no need for me to dilate, and innumerable messages of congratulation, received from all parts of the Dominion and including one from the M. W. the G. M., were read in open lodge. M.W. Bro. Robertson responded with anecdote and story in a manner which showed a rekindling of the old fire that shone so brightly a decade or more ago, and his presence must have been an inspiration to all Masons present. As already indicated, my visit to Manito Lodge will long be remembered by me as an evening full of the best things in life. It gives me great pleasure also to particularly mention W. Bro. W. T. Herrington who has for some years kept careful watch over the business affairs of the lodge.

Spry Lodge No. 385, Beeton. As a result of my visit to this lodge on Monday, April 10th, 1922, I found under the very able leadership of W. Bro. W. D. Bell that this lodge is enjoying a most prosperous year. Assisted by a very able staff of Officers the

Fellowcraft degree was conferred in an exemplary manner. It is seldom one is privileged to see such excellent floor work by the junior officers. The future of this lodge is a bright one, in my opinion, and I found that the records are well and carefully kept.

Earl Kitchener Lodge No. 538, Port McNicoll. It was my privilege to visit this young and thriving lodge on the evening of Tuesday, April 11th, 1922. Though a very junior lodge, this is one of the most active lodges in the district. Under the leadership of that most energetic Mason, W. Bro. Alvin Gallagher, the lodge has had a most successful year. Owing to a very heavy snow storm and the impassable roads, the attendance was somewhat small. All the officers were present and with W. Bro. Gallagher in the chair conferred the first degree in a creditable manner. I found the records of this lodge in excellent shape. This lodge is also fortunate in having the hearty co-operation of V. W. Bro. J. D. McPhee and W. Bro. Isaac Wardell.

Corinthian Lodge No. 466, Barrie. I visited this lodge on the evening of Thursday, May 4th, 1922, and there was a very large attendance of members and visitors, among whom were R. W. Bros. Raikes, Sprott, Smith and Little. The first degree was conferred by W. Bro. A. B. Coutts and a most efficient staff of officers on a very bright and promising candidate in a manner that could not be excelled for accuracy and impressiveness. I found also that the records of this lodge were being well and carefully kept.

Minerva Lodge No. 304, Stroud. My visit to this lodge was made on Tuesday, May 9th, 1922, and there was a large and enthusiastic gathering of both members and visitors present. There being no work for the evening, the Master opened the lodge in the three degrees for my inspection. The work was accurately carried out by W. Bro. N. H. Wice and his most efficient staff of officers. Their present quarters are rather small, but they intend celebrating their Fiftieth Anniversary by erecting a suitable home. I was delighted to fraternize with the R. W. Bros. Sprott, Little and McKnight. The interest in the affairs of this lodge by Past Master W. Bro. A. W. Green is

worthy of mention, and W. Bro. G. W. Hewson proves a most efficient secretary.

Karnak Lodge No. 492, Coldwater. I had the pleasure of visiting Karnak Lodge on Thursday, May 11th, 1922, and am glad to be able to report that, while there was no work for the evening, W. Bro. G. T. Sullivan and his officers seemed to be worthily carrying on the traditions of good practice. The lodge opened in the first, second and third degrees for my inspection, and I was delighted with the accuracy and vim of their work. The books were being well kept, and I found the records of the lodge in good order.

Nitetic Lodge No. 444, Creemore. I had the privilege of visiting this lodge on Tuesday, May 16th, 1922, accompanied by several brethren of my mother lodge. In view of the regrettable illness of W. Bro. (Rev.) A. L. Atton the chair was filled by W. Bro. Corbett, and the first degree conferred in a manner that was commendable for loyalty to the craft, effective work, and a generally satisfactory condition. It also gave me great pleasure to meet W. Bro. Pengelly, an old member of my mother lodge. I should like to briefly refer to the efficient manner in which the records of the lodge are kept.

Orillia Lodge No. 192, Orillia. I made my official visit to this lodge on the afternoon of Friday, May 19th, 1922. It is hardly necessary to comment on this reliable and solid organization, one of the oldest lodges in the district. W. Bro. Boyle, the Worshipful Master, amply maintains the character of the work effectively exemplified by previous Worshipful Masters. The first degree was conferred in an impressive manner upon a young and bright candidate, and the work all through was uniformly well done. This is one of the largest lodges in the district, and is lucky in having the loyal support of R. W. Bro. W. H. Tudhope and a long line of Past Masters. There were numerous visitors from the surrounding lodges and this lodge is living up to its splendid traditions. The occasion of this visit was somewhat saddened by the recent demise of W. Bro. T. C. Doidge, who had for so many years acted well and faithfully in the capacity of secretary.

Coronation Lodge No. 466, Elmvale. In the company of a number of brethren of my mother lodge I had a very pleasant visit to Coronation Lodge on Friday, June 2nd, 1922. Visitors were present in large numbers from several of the surrounding lodges, and there was a large gathering of the members. The first degree was impressively communicated to the candidate, who was on his part an appreciative recipient. The Charge was well rendered by I. P. M. W. Bro. Armour Thompson. Very W. Bro. Foster proves a careful and efficient secretary.

Caledonian Lodge No. 249, Midland. One of the outstanding visits of my itinerary was that made to this, my Mother Lodge, on the evening of Monday, June 5, 1922. W. Bro. Syer and his very efficient staff of young and bright officers performed the ceremony of the third degree in a very able and efficient manner, the music adding not a little to the beauty and impressiveness of the ceremony. The W. M. is to be congratulated on the high standard of efficiency prevailing in Caledonian Lodge, the work being correctly given and intelligently phrased and was a pleasure to listen to in the lodge room. The lodge is also to be congratulated on the whole-hearted co-operation which it gets from a number of Past Masters, among whom is notably R. W. Bro. Raikes. The assiduity with which this R. W. Bro. follows the fortune of Caledonian Lodge is symbolic of that long and faithful service which he has rendered the craft in general—in this Dominion and abroad—and Caledonian Lodge in particular. The brethren were also kind enough to present me with a full suit of D.D.G.M. regalia, and I was deeply touched by their thoughtful generosity. W. Bro. Thornton proves an able secretary, and the lodge records are safe in his hands.

Northern Light Lodge No. 266, Stayner. I paid my official visit to this lodge on the evening of Tuesday, June 6th, 1922, and shall long remember the friendly greetings extended to me and to those accompanying me on this occasion. The first degree was exemplified by W. Bro. D. C. McDermid and his officers in a very creditable way, and my impressions were that the work, the attendance, and the prosperity of this lodge leave nothing to be desired. The meeting

was also remarkable inasmuch as it was the Semi-Centennial celebration of Northern Light Lodge, and there was a large number of visitors from all parts of the district. I was glad to meet my predecessor in office, R. W. Bro. R. J. Campbell, and I was also glad to exchange greetings with R. W. Bros. J. Bethune and G. M. Aylsworth. Northern Light Lodge is lucky in having the hearty co-operation and support of these R. W. brethren. There is every reason to view with optimism the future of this lodge, and I found the records of the lodge were being well kept by an able and efficient secretary.

I am glad to report that peace and harmony prevail in this district, and I trust this happy state of affairs may continue to exist.

A year of the most pleasant official relations has closed. The hearty welcome I received from every lodge in the district is a great source of pleasure and satisfaction to me. No one could sever his relationships under such existing conditions without feelings of regret. I have endeavored to fill the position to the best of my ability, and if I have erred in omission or commission I ask one and all as Masons to cover up my imperfections with the broad mantle of charity and brotherly love.

Fraternally submitted.

MANUEL KELLER, D.D.G.M.,

Georgian District No. 9.

NIAGARA DISTRICT, No. 10.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers, and
Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of
Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

It is with great pleasure I submit for your consideration my report on the condition of Masonry in the Niagara District, No. 10.

I desire first to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for the honor and distinction bestowed upon me in electing me to the high and honorable office of District Deputy Grand Master and also to express my thanks for the assistance and many acts of courtesy extended to me by members of the Craft throughout the District.

The lodges in general are prosperous and the most noticeable feature is activity.

My first official act was to appoint Wor. Bro. D. R. Muir of Clifton Lodge, No. 254, as District Secretary. He has performed his duties in a highly creditable manner and assisted me very materially, making many trips with me throughout the District.

My next official act as District Deputy Grand Master, was on Oct. 10th, when by authority of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, I constituted and consecrated Adoniram Lodge, No. 573, of Niagara Falls, Ont., in the presence of twenty-five Masters and Past Masters and more than two hundred members of the Craft. I was ably supported by Rt. Wor. Bro. C. J. Didemus, Rt. Wor. Bro. S. D. Warren, Rt. Wor. Bro. H. McKenzie, and Rt. Wor. Bro. R. W. Allen. I must also mention the splendid assistance rendered by Wor. Bro. F. W. Swanell as District Deputy Grand Master, Wor. Bro. J. F. Rapelje as Grand Chaplain and Wor. Bro. Dr. George Gray, as Grand Director of Ceremonies. I wish here to convey my thanks to all the officers of the various lodges in this district for their willing and able assistance rendered on this occasion.

Union Lodge, No. 7, Grimsby, Ont. I visited this old lodge Oct. 13th, 1921, and was received in a very

cordial manner, being introduced by R.W. Bro. C. T. Farrell; a large number of brethren being in attendance. The work in the first degree was exemplified by Wor. Bro. Theal, and his officers left very little room for improvement. It was gratifying to see so many Past Masters assisting in the work. The Secretary, Bro. S. B. Bradley shows his books well kept and reports the dues well paid up. This lodge is to be complimented on their new lodge rooms and I can safely say that they are one of the finest, if not the finest, in this district.

Amity Lodge, No. 32, Dunnville, Ont. I paid my official visit to this lodge, Oct. 19th, 1921, and was greeted by a large attendance of brethren. The First Degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. Robb and his officers in a very painstaking and satisfactory manner. The very efficient manner in which Bro. R. F. Richards delivered the charge from the South, speaks well for the coming Masters of this lodge. The secretary, Wor. Bro. John Clark, keeps his books in splendid shape and reports dues well paid in. A large number of Past Masters take an active interest in the lodge and render valuable assistance to the Master.

St. George's Lodge, No. 15, St. Catharines, Ont. I visited this lodge officially Nov. 8th, 1921, and was heartily received by Wor. Bro. C. W. Karn and his officers. An exceptionally good attendance of their own members was reinforced by many visiting brethren. I was introduced by Wor. Bro. Fred Gwinner, an old school-mate of mine, and I at once felt at home. The First Degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. C. W. Karn in a highly satisfactory manner. A large number of Past Masters were present and rendered valuable assistance. Wor. Bro. Gwinner excelled himself when giving the charge from the Book of Constitution. Bro. A. N. Lindsay, the "Genial" secretary, keeps his books in splendid shape and reports dues well paid in.

Dufferin Lodge, No. 338, Wellandport, Ont. I paid my official visit to this lodge Nov. 15th, 1921, and received a most cordial welcome by Wor. Bro. Brown and his officers. There was a splendid gathering of brethren considering the bad condition of the roads. The First Degree was conferred in a splendid manner by Wor. Bro. Brown assisted by several Past Masters. It was

gratifying to see so many elderly brethren present. The secretary Bro. W. J. Steward keeps his books in splendid order and reports dues well paid up.

Coronation Lodge, No. 502, Smithville, Ont. I officially visited this lodge Dec. 12th, 1921, and was royally received by Wor. Bro. T. N. Vance and a well filled lodge room, which included a large number of visitors from Lincoln Lodge No. 544, of Abingdon. The First Degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. Vance and his officers in a creditable manner. Valuable assistance was received from several Past Masters. The Secretary Bro. H. G. Parrott's books are in splendid shape, dues well paid in, and matters in general all in good condition.

King Edward VII Lodge, No. 471, Chippawa, Ont. My visit to this lodge occurred on the evening of Feb. 1st, 1922. I was escorted into the lodge by R.W. Bros. Brown and McKenzie. Wor. Bro. Rodgers on behalf of the lodge gave me a hearty welcome. After disposing of several petitions for membership, the First Degree was conferred in a faultless manner. This lodge is to be complimented on the excellent support it received from its Past Masters. Rt. Wor. Bro. C. J. Didemus of St. Marks Lodge, No. 105 was present as well as a goodly turn out from the other lodges at Niagara Falls. The charge from the Book of Constitution as delivered by Wor. Bro. J. F. Rapelje, cannot be excelled in Canada. Wor. Bro. Smeaton, "Genial" secretary, reports dues well paid up. His books are kept in splendid shape. R.W. Bro. Geo. Brown is still in the harness and keeps the work of the lodge up to a high standard.

St. Mark's Lodge No. 105, Niagara Falls, Ont. On Feb. 14th, 1922, I visited this lodge officially and received a cordial welcome by Wor. Bro. Lees, officers, and members. Rt. Wor. Bro. C. J. Didemus, the smiling secretary, was present as well as several Past Masters. As the candidate for the evening did not appear, I had the lodge opened and closed in the three established degrees, which was done in a very creditable manner by the Worshipful Master. The secretary's books are in good shape and dues well paid up. I again visited this lodge Feb. 28th, and witnessed the conferring of the Third Degree on a class of four candidates by Wor. Bro. Lees, assisted by Wor. Bro. Scott, Wor. Bro. Church,

Wor. Bro. Jackson and Rt. Wor. Bro. Didemus. There was a splendid turn out of members and the work was done very satisfactorily.

Copetstone Lodge, No. 373, Welland, Ont. I paid my official visit to this lodge Mar. 2nd, 1922, and was introduced by Rt. Wor. Bro. Pettit. Wor. Bro. Gordon Summerville occupied the chair in the East in the absence of Wor. Bro. Sutherland, caused by a death in the family. The Third Degree was conferred in a very satisfactory manner on two candidates by Wor. Bro. Sommerville, ably assisted by several Past Masters. The secretary's books are in good shape and dues well paid up. I must make mention of the fine Masonic spirit shown by Bro. Samuel Lambert in granting his Mother Lodge the distinction of having the first banquet in his new, magnificent hotel, the Reeta, and also for the splendid theatre party given after the banquet in the new theatre Lambert, which was highly appreciated by all present. I would like to see more such Masons as Bro. Lambert in this district.

McNab Lodge, No. 169, Port Colborne, Ont. I had the pleasure of visiting this lodge Feb. 7th, 1922 and received a hearty welcome from the officers and members present. Wor. Bro. Neff, assisted by several Past Masters, conferred the Third Degree, which was highly satisfactory and great credit is due the officers for the very proficient manner in which they rendered their work. Wor. Bro. Burt as secretary, has his books in splendid shape and dues well paid up.

Merritt Lodge, No. 168, Welland, Ont. I paid my official visit to this lodge Mar. 13th, 1922. I was introduced by Wor. Bros. Cook and Marshall and was heartily received by Wor. Bro. Northcote and a very large assemblage of brethren, in fact, some were turned away on account of lack of room to seat them. A very noticeable feature was the splendid gathering of Past Masters. Among them Rt. Wor. Bro. J. H. Crow, and also Rt. Wor. Bro. Chas. Ross, of Myrtle Lodge No. 337. The Third Degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. Northcote, assisted by Wor. Bro. Bravin and Wor. Bro. Smith of McNab No. 169, who obligated his son. The work was

exemplified in a faultless manner and the officers are to be congratulated on the thorough and perfect manner in which they instruct their candidates. Wor. Bro. Dawdy the "smiling" secretary has his books in splendid shape and reports dues well paid in.

Adoniram Lodge No. 573, Niagara Falls, Ont. I paid my official visit to this lodge Mar. 20th, 1922, and was heartily received by Wor. Bro. Stringer and a splendid turn out of brethren. A noticeable feature was the splendid representation of Past Masters from Clifton Lodge No. 254 and King Edward VII Lodge No. 471. This is the baby lodge of this district and Wor. Bro. Stringer and his officers are to be congratulated on the able manner in which they conferred the Second Degree. Wor. Bro. Little, the hard working secretary, has his books in splendid shape, and dues all paid in.

Niagara Lodge, No. 2, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont. On April 5th, 1922, I visited the most historic and oldest lodge in Canada. Their old Charter dated 1792 hangs on the wall in their cosy and well appointed lodge room. I was royally received by Wor. Bro. Inksater, officers and members, and visiting brethren from Niagara Falls, St. Catharines, Port Dalhousie, and Youngstown, N.Y., Rt. Wor. Bro. Allen being present and still wearing the smile that won't come off. The Second Degree was conferred on a perfect candidate by Wor. Bro. Inksater assisted by several past masters in a faultless manner. Bro. Quinn looked after the West in a perfect manner. Bro. Singer in the South was at his best and certainly demonstrated it in preparing a most perfect banquet. The secretary, Bro. Wood, keeps his books neat and in splendid shape. He reports dues well paid in. I predict a splendid future for this old lodge.

Ivy Lodge No. 115, Beamsville, Ont. I had the pleasure of officially visiting this lodge April 11th, 1922. I was introduced by Wor. Bro. S. J. Wilson, and was courteously received by Wor. Bro. John Morrison, and a fine attendance of brethren. The First Degree was conferred in a highly satisfactory manner. Several Past Masters rendered valuable assistance. Bro. Linder delivered the charge from the South in a faultless manner and I see a bright future for this lodge. The secretary, Very Wor. Bro. W. D. Fairbrother, is in his proper place

has his books in splendid form and reports dues well paid up.

Seymour Lodge, No. 277, Port Dalhousie, Ont. A most hearty reception was accorded me on April 12th when I officially visited this lodge. Rt. Wor. Bro. J. M. A. Waugh, and Wor. Bro. John Berry, escorted me into the lodge, and Wor. Bro. John Renwick invited me to the East, after which he conferred the Second Degree in a very impressive manner. A noticeable feature was the large number of Past Masters taking part. The Senior Warden, Bro. Chas. Longhurst looked well to the West. There was a goodly number of visitors from Niagara Falls, and St. Catharines, present. The greatest pleasure I had was when Wor. Bro. Renwick requested me to present a Past Master's jewel to the oldest member of this lodge, Wor. Bro. John Johnson, over 80 years old, and who has two sons Past Masters of this lodge. Rt. Wor. Bro. Waugh has his books in splendid shape and reports dues fairly well paid up.

Phoenix Lodge No. 535, Fonthill, Ont. I visited this lodge officially April 17th. I was introduced by Wor. Bro. Clark and received by Wor. Bro. Haist, officers and members. There was a large number of visitors from Niagara Falls, Welland and Port Robinson. The First Degree was conferred in a most excellent manner and splendid support was given by several Past Masters. Wor. Bro. Harry Hill, excelled himself when giving the charge from the North East Angle, and Wor. Bro. McRae of Clifton Lodge No. 254, was faultless in the charge from the Book of Constitution. Wor. Bro. Clark acting as secretary reports matters in splendid condition and dues well paid in.

Palmer Lodge, No. 372, Bridgeburg, Ont. I paid my official visit to this lodge May 2nd, 1922, and was royally received by Wor. Bro. Geo. H. Stratton, officers and members. There was a large number of visiting brethren present who packed the lodge room so that it was almost suffocating, and for this reason, I called off the working of the Second Degree, as Rt. Wor. Bro. W. C. Tait assured me that they were proficient in their work. I had one unpleasant duty to perform, and that was to give a very severe lecture on the use of the ballot. There were five applications for membership, all passed by eight

brethren composing the board of General Purposes, and all rejected. This I learned afterwards was caused by two factions which are opposed to each other, being present. Harmony does not exist in this lodge and I hope for the near future to see another lodge in this district as it will be the only means of upholding the standard of Masonry. Rt. Wor. Bro. Tait acted as secretary in the absence of Wor. Bro. Graham and reports dues well paid up and books in good shape.

Myrtle Lodge No. 337, Port Robinson, Ont. My official visit to this lodge occurred May 9th, 1922. There was a large turnout of members, and being supplemented by visitors from Port Colborne, Welland, Font-hill, Thorold and Niagara Falls, filled the lodge room to its capacity. The First Degree was conferred in a splendid manner by Wor. Bro. Dandy and his officers. Rt. Wor. Bro. Ross excelled himself in giving the charge from the Book of Constitution. He is also secretary of the lodge and has his books in splendid shape and dues well paid up.

Mountain Lodge, No. 221, Thorold, Ont. I was greeted on May 11th, 1922, when I officially visited this lodge, by a large turnout of brethren and visitors from surrounding lodges. Wor. Bro. Wheeler conferred the Third Degree in a very creditable manner. I was pleased to see the Past Masters giving so much assistance. The candidates had this work well memorized, which speaks well for the brethren giving instructions. Wor. Bro. Mable is secretary and shows his books neatly kept and dues well paid up.

Temple Lodge, No. 296, St. Catharines, Ont. A splendid gathering of members and visiting brethren from surrounding lodges greeted me May 17th when I officially visited this lodge. I was introduced by Rt. Wor. Bro. McLean, and Wor. Bro. Watts. Wor. Bro. Lockhart and his officers conferred the First Degree and the work was well rendered. The Past Masters have their work perfect and render valuable assistance to the Master. The secretary, Wor. Bro. C. A. Brown, had his books in splendid shape, dues well paid up and in a prosperous condition.

Maple Leaf Lodge No. 103, St. Catharines, Ont. I had the pleasure of officially visiting this lodge May

25th and was received by a splendid turn out of members. I was introduced by Wor. Bro. Inksater and Jackson. The Worshipful Master, Bro. Cruikshank, and his officers conferred the First Degree in a very creditable manner. Splendid assistance was given by the Past Masters, which is always an asset to any lodge. I cannot say too much in favor of Rt. Wor. Bro. H. J. Johnston, the "genial" secretary of this lodge. His books are neat and dues well taken care of. As regards punctuality Rt. Wor. Bro. Johnston has no superior in this district.

Clifton Lodge No. 254, Niagara Falls, Ont. The greatest reception which I received during my term of D.D.G.M. was when I paid my official visit to my Mother Lodge, Clifton No. 254, A. F. and A. M. on June 1st, 1922. I was introduced by the Rt. Wor. Bro. Geo. H. Brown, past D.D.G.M., and was most cordially received by Wor. Bro. D. A. McRae on behalf of the officers and members of Clifton Lodge, No. 254. The First Degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. D. A. McRae and his officers, in a faultless manner in the presence of two Past D.D.G.M.'s, fourteen Past Masters, and a well filled lodge room, of about 300, of which there was a large number of visitors from the various lodges in the district, as well as from Niagara Falls, N.Y., and Buffalo. The Junior Warden's Charge was given by Bro. R. H. Smith, and cannot be excelled as it was word perfect.

The Wor. Master was assisted by two of the oldest Past Masters and it was very gratifying to hear these old "Warriors" do their part so perfectly. The floor work was done in an excellent manner. R. W. Bro. Warren, secretary, the "Daddy" of the lodge, keeps his books in an excellent condition, as well as Wor. Bro. W. S. Byers, the "genial" treasurer, who reports the finances of the lodge in fine shape. The lodge was opened and closed in the three established degrees, perfect.

Before the lodge was closed, I was called upon by the Wor. Master to make the presentation of a P.M. Jewel to Bro. D. R. Muir, also a M.M. Apron to Bro. W. Miller for his untiring services given in motoring myself and the W.M. of Clifton Lodge to the various lodges in the district on my official visits.

The climax of a perfect evening was reached when Wor. Bro. Treasurer W. S. Byers at the request of the Wor. Master, presented to me, on behalf of the officers and members of the Clifton Lodge, a beautiful club bag; but not being satisfied with this, their kindness was extended to Mrs. J. C. Lymburner, by a beautiful gift of a silver carving set, for which I thanked the officers and members in my humble way. After the lodge was closed at the request of the Wor. Master, all were requested to retire to the banquet room where the Junior Warden had a beautiful repast laid, which was enjoyed by all. After the banquet, speeches and community singing were indulged in till an early hour.

In conclusion, I again wish to thank the brethren of Niagara District No. 10 for the cordial and fraternal manner in which I have been received on the occasion of my official visits, especially, I feel grateful to Wor. Bro. D. A. McRae and Bro. Robt. Smith, who very materially assisted me on all my visits. I have endeavored to discharge the duties of my office fairly and impartially to the best interests of Masonry, and I trust I have succeeded; and I bespeak for my successor the same loyal support, friendship, and brotherly love that has been bestowed upon me by the brethren of the district.

Fraternally submitted,

J. C. LYMBURNER, D.D.G.M.,
Niagara District No. 10.

TORONTO WEST DISTRICT, No. 11

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

As we approach the end of another Masonic Year, I have the pleasing duty to present herewith my report as D.D.G.M. of this district.

My first official act was the appointment of W. Bro. W. J. Radford as District Secretary, and he has given unsparingly an efficient and conscientious service to the District. He has not only been most unselfish of his time and effort, to accompany me on my many visits throughout the year, but the clerical work and assistance in the administration of such a large district, has made his duties at times onerous, though always graciously and pleasantly discharged.

I have been most fortunate in having in the neighboring Toronto Districts, as my colleagues, R. W. Bros. Gardiner and Dunlop, and I am deeply indebted to each of them for the valuable assistance, prudent counsel and mature judgment, they have so cheerfully rendered. We have not only attended together at many lodge meetings, but have met at frequent intervals during the year that we might co-ordinate and unify our efforts in promoting the best interests of the Craft in the Toronto Districts. Of my many pleasant reflections on my year's work, none has left a greater impress, than the privilege to meet and associate with these honored and much respected colleagues.

There are now thirty-five lodges in this District, and the supervision of so many lodges has made heavy demands on my time and energy. While the work at times was strenuous, even arduous, the kindly consideration and willing co-operation of the brethren has been a buoyant tonic, and I can now reflect on my efforts as a great reciprocating influence, which has given me a greater Masonic vision, and a more zealous attachment to the Craft.

It is most gratifying to report that Masonry in this District is in a healthy and prosperous condition. The Worshipful Masters and Officers are enthusiastic and anxious to discharge their respective duties with honor and distinction. They are not only impressed with the responsibility of their positions, but have the necessary skill and ability to maintain the dignity and reputation of the Fraternity.

The only apparent defect in the administration of the lodges in the district, is the want of familiarity with our Constitution and the Lodge By-laws. Many simple rulings have been asked, many unfortunate situations have been caused, which even a casual knowledge of the Constitution would have avoided. I would most urgently suggest that the Examining Boards, give more attention to the skill of the Master elect, on essential points of the Constitution and Lodge By-laws.

The records of the different lodges are exceptionally well kept. There seems to be a friendly rivalry between many of the Secretaries of the different lodges to maintain the highest possible standard of excellence, and some of the secretarial work on the lodge's records, is a real pleasure to review.

There has been a marked improvement in most of the lodges in what was for a time an unfortunate tendency to be extravagant in their expenditure for refreshments and entertainments. Thanks to the lead given by the Past Master's Association and the spirit of harmony and goodwill between the lodges of the City, this inclination for unnecessary waste and extravagance has been greatly curtailed. Most of the lodges are as a result conserving their financial resources, but the expenses of operating a lodge, in keeping with the times, has increased greatly in recent years, and in many of our City lodges the annual dues should be increased so as to more adequately meet the current expenditures. It is not healthy financing especially on the part of our large City lodges to depend on initiation fees to meet ordinary expenditures. Initiation fees should for the most part form a reserve fund, the annual revenue from which could be devoted to benevolence.

Many of the lodges have made increased grants for benevolent purposes. In addition to relief for the aged

and distressed, for which this district has even been most considerate, there have been this year generous gifts to hospitals and charitable funds. . Cots have been endowed by some of the lodges, while others have greatly assisted in other philanthropic and benevolent efforts, of which there is an increasing need in our city. Space does not permit me to detail the work of the different lodges, but there is one of special interest, to which reference may be made. University Lodge, being especially well equipped in the lodge membership with trained specialists in every branch of education, has undertaken in a practical way to assist in the education of the children of deceased members of the lodge. This work consists in part, in advising and counselling as to the most suitable line of education which the particular child should follow, in keeping in close communication with the pupils' teacher, or teachers, and should the child be deficient in any department, to furnish free of charge, a tutor, so as to assure steady progress, to supply suitable books, and literature for the child's reading, and in every way to furnish direction and encouragement, so that the children of their deceased brethren shall have the advantage of an education for their future careers. University Lodge is not restricting its activities to their lodge alone. Temple Lodge has already taken advantage of the opportunity of the talent offered by University Lodge and the results accomplished by these two lodges along the same practical, fraternal educational lines have been most encouraging. I have no doubt other lodges will, during the coming year, accept the kind offers of assistance from University Lodge, not monetary, but of educational advice from experienced experts who can render invaluable assistance in what is a great Masonic work.

These increased grants for benevolent purposes, and these truly Masonic and philanthropic efforts by so many lodges, reflect the common sentiment, hopes and aspirations of Masonry in this District and visualise a new sense of duty, a consciousness of greater obligations and responsibilities on the part of our fraternity. Our members of this district, while commending the increased grants year by year, from the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund, feel that Grand Lodge, and many of our Constituent lodges are falling far short of their whole

duty, in relief to the sere and yellow leaf of old age, and to those who are reduced to poverty and distress. There is a latent force and a practical desire to practise that greatest of all Masonic virtues, not in the gifts of gold alone, but to radiate Masonic thought, light and influence for the betterment of a common humanity.

One of the most perplexing and serious responsibilities of my year, has been the consideration of petitions for dispensation for the formation of new lodges. Several of these have come to me for recommendation to the M.W. Grand Master, and I have found it most difficult in some instances, under our present regulations and arrangements to determine whether the recommendation should be favorable, or otherwise.

I would suggest as a result of my experience that some change in our method be adopted, especially in those districts where these petitions for new lodges are presented to lodges having concurrent jurisdiction. Unfortunately, it is the practice of most of our lodges in this city, to accept or reject the petitions, with little consideration, and no investigation, so that when these petitions come to the D.D.G.M. the consents, or dissents, of the different lodges are of little guidance in determining what is best in the interests of the Craft. I would recommend that the lodges to whom these petitions are presented, should refer them to a committee, preferably of Past Masters, who would investigate all the circumstances in connection with the proposed new lodge, and report thereon before definite action is taken. A copy of these committees' reports should be available for the D.D.G.M. at his request.

The Craft in this City, however, has been most fortunate in the formation of new lodges. Those recently instituted, and consecrated, for the most part, are well maintaining the best traditions and abiding principles of our fraternity. I am also pleased to report that our lodges, both old and new, have never exercised greater caution in the selection of material for membership. I would take issue with the extravagant statements made in some quarters, for from the most thorough survey and careful scrutiny I can make, my opinion is that the quality of our membership, is by no means deteriorating. Masonry is appealing more and more,

to men who appreciate its teachings, respect its dignity and have a fitness for the honor which Masonic membership should bring to every man. In this connection I would express my appreciation of the work of the Central Masonic Bureau in assisting our lodges. I have had occasion during this year to be in close contact with the functioning of this Bureau, and am deeply indebted to the worthy secretary, V. W. Bro. W. J. Wadsworth, for the information and assistance so readily and cheerfully given.

We have been favored on several occasions with visits from the M.W. the Grand Master to lodges in the district; ever dignified in presence, courteous in manner, eloquent in speech, he has imparted an enthusiasm, and inspiration which has given us all a new sense of duty and a higher ideal as Masons and citizens of our Empire.

I am under great obligations to those brethren who so cheerfully accompanied me on my many visits. I am especially grateful to the Worshipful Masters, Past Masters and Grand Lodge Officers, who rendered such valuable assistance at the numerous Installations, Instituting and Consecrating Ceremonies held during the year. I find it difficult to express my true sense of appreciation to my brethren who at great sacrifice and inconvenience to themselves motored me to the numerous meetings; they became truly, patient pilgrims of the night.

VISITATIONS

True Blue Lodge, No. 98, Bolton. I visited this lodge on May 12th, and was delighted with the comfortable and well furnished lodge home. This lodge, the oldest in the District, through the indefatigable efforts and fidelity of its Past Masters has renewed its vitality and my visit gave me a most pleasant and encouraging impression. The first degree as conferred by W. Bro. P. N. Knight and his officers, justified the conclusion that the lodge was to be congratulated in having such a capable and talented W.M. who was supported by an efficient group of officers and Past Masters.

Ionic Lodge, No. 220, Brampton. I have had the privilege of visiting this lodge several times in recent

years, and knew what a splendid, energetic group of masons was included in the membership. The officers this year well maintain the traditions of Ionic. I saw W. Bro. H. A. Wilson and the officers confer the third degree on a fraternal visit to Victoria Lodge, and on May 20th, when I made my inspection, the first degree was the work. Both efforts were most commendable, every officer showing keen interest, and they have the support and encouragement of a number of zealous and experienced Past Masters. On my official visit, I was accompanied by over one hundred brethren from the West Toronto Lodges, and there was also present a large number from other centres, but the fraternal hospitality of Ionic was equal to the occasion, and we were most cordially received and pleasantly entertained.

Humber Lodge, No. 305, Weston. This was my first official inspection, which was on November 25th, and the work in conferring the first degree by W. Bro. Stone and the officers, was a true indication of the high standard I have seen at subsequent inspections throughout the district. It was specially gratifying to have one of the veteran Past Masters, now well over the allotted span of life, take part of the work most acceptably. I also accompanied R.W. Bro. A. J. Anderson, on June 23rd when he installed the officers for the coming year. This lodge is in a rapidly growing district, and to provide for the increasing needs of the craft, active preparations should be made forthwith, for the erecting of a Masonic Lodge room, which has long since been desirable and is now a necessity for the proper growth and development of Masonry in this progressive town.

Blackwood Lodge, No. 311, Woodbridge. I visited this lodge on May 5th and I found the officers for the most part, young men, talented enthusiastic Masons. They have the advantage of advice and counsel from earnest experienced Past Masters, so that this lodge, while limited as to membership, is well sustaining the traditions and the true spirit of Masonry. The first degree as conferred by W. Bro. G. S. Wheeler and his efficient officers was intelligently and impressively done. The lodge premises, which are owned by the lodge, are most comfortable and well maintained.

Occident Lodge, No. 346, Toronto. This lodge is one of the largest in membership in the city, and judging by the conferring of the first degree, when I was present on March 15th is doing thorough and capable work. W. Bro. Thos. A. Johnson is conscientiously discharging the duties of W.M. which in a large city lodge makes onerous demands on both time and energy. All the officers seemed to be well skilled and with the desire to do their work effectively and seriously.

River Park Lodge, No. 356, Streetsville. The second degree was conferred by W. Bro. S. H. Cordingly and his officers on my visit on June 6th. The W.M. brings honor and distinction to his position, not only by his work in the lodge room, but also by his concise and appropriate remarks at the refreshment table. He is well supported by his officers and the lodge is prosperous and progressive. I was deeply indebted to the talented quartette of the General Mercer Lodge who accompanied me, as they added much to the interest and enthusiasm of the evening. I also had the privilege on June 25th in joining with the members of River Park Lodge and a number of visitors in attending Divine Service.

St. George Lodge, No. 367, Toronto. This is my mother lodge, and I regret that during the year I had only two first Fridays of the month available to visit St. George. I attended on November 4th, when the annual elections were held, and on February 3rd, when I made my official inspection. Although this meeting was held shortly after installation, W. Bro. Jno. A. Steven and the officers conferred the M.M. degree in exceptionally good form. The lodge is enjoying a prosperous, harmonious year, with prudent and efficient administration.

Mimico Lodge, No. 369, Lambton Mills. This lodge is making healthy progress, and the improvement recently made to the building gives to the increasing membership a most commodious lodge room. I visited this lodge on October 11th and on May 9th when I inspected the work of the lodge. The first degree as conferred by W. Bro. Barrett indicated that the officers desired to maintain the record of the lodge of being

thorough and efficient exponents of the teachings of the Craft.

Alpha Lodge, No. 384, Toronto. This lodge with the largest membership in the district, has many most commendable Masonic virtues, in addition to its numerical and financial strength. I thoroughly appreciated and enjoyed the hospitality of this lodge on some very notable occasions during the year. On October 6th Ozias Lodge, Brantford, visited Alpha and there were present His Honor Lieut.-Governor Bro. Cockshutt and the D.G. Master, R. W. Bro. Drope. On November 11th I accompanied Alpha on a visit to Acacia Lodge, Hamilton. On March 2nd I had the privilege of attending when M.W. Bro. Ponton visited Alpha. Space does not permit to detail the features of these meetings, which typified the vigorous characteristics of this lodge. My official inspection was made on April 6th when W. Bro. Fletcher and the officers conferred the first degree in a most competent manner.

Zeta Lodge, No. 410, Toronto. I have always thoroughly appreciated a visit to this lodge, to meet again a number of close personal friends, and the meetings are always characterised by a zealous and buoyant enthusiasm. I was present on Oct. 28th their Past Master's night, also on April 28th when they were visited by the M.W. Grand Master. I made my official inspection on February 24th when W. Bro. Stanley J. Boyde conferred the first degree. The W.M. who was well supported by his officers is a good ritualist and the prospects of this lodge, under his guidance, are excellent in every way. Zeta is again to be congratulated on the most liberal grants for benevolence, amounting this year to \$1,280.00.

Stanley Lodge, No. 426, Toronto, is still maintaining its honorable record of being one of the most substantial and virile lodges of the city. On November 17th their Past Master's night M.W. Bro. Ponton favored the lodge with a visit and I was pleased to be present. I attended on January 3rd at their Installation ceremony, which was conducted by R.W. Bro. A. J. Anderson, and also on May 2nd, Railroad Night. My official visit was made on April 4th when the first degree was conferred

by W. Bro. Chapple and officers, in a most acceptable manner. This Lodge is in an excellent position financially.

Peel Lodge, No. 463, Caledon East. This is one of the most prosperous and progressive rural lodges of the district. They own a most comfortable lodge home, which is the meeting place of a group of talented and enthusiastic Masons. I visited the lodge on June 9th accompanied by R.W. Bro. Bull and V.W. Bro. Ide and a large number of visitors. W. Bro. Nelson and the officers made an earnest and on the whole, a successful effort to interpret the teachings of the first degree. The brethren at Caledon East are most hospitable and a visit to them is always one of pleasant memories.

Victoria Lodge, No. 474, Toronto. The hospitality of Victoria was extended to me so frequently during the year that it is not possible to review all the meetings attended. I was honored with a request to attend on Oct. 18th and present V.W. Bro. W. J. Wadsworth with regalia as Grand Director of Ceremonies, as a fitting tribute from his mother lodge to an honored and respected P.M. I joined with the members of Victoria on April 18th in welcoming the M.W.G.M. who delighted and inspired those who were favored with being present.

My inspection of the lodge was made on Feb. 21st and the work of the first degree by W. Bro. C. F. Topping and the officers was a veritable treat. The Worshipful Master is exceptionally brilliant and every officer endeavours to emulate his example. There was also evident, unified effort and thorough preparation, a rare and valued combination, which resulted in a standard of work that is seldom excelled.

University Lodge, No. 496, Toronto. I have already referred to the special educational work of this lodge, which is a just indication of the progressive spirit of the splendid group of Masons. I was much impressed with the dignified tone of the lodge on the three visits I made during the year. I was with the M.W.G.M. when he visited on October 12th. I was also present on December 14th at their Installation, conducted by

R.W. Bro. McCollum, and I attended for official inspection on February 8th. The work of W. Bro. W. J. Dunlop and the officers in conferring the first degree was excellent. Each officer was an expert in his position, there was close attention to detail, along with a deliberate movement and enunciation, which gave a calm edifying impression to a receptive candidate.

Parkdale Lodge, No. 510, Toronto. This lodge has made steady substantial progress since inception in 1913, and may now be said to be the proud parent of three other lodges meeting in the same temple. In the two visits made, there was evident an earnest impressiveness in their work, and a warm fraternal comradeship among the members, which means the continuous prosperity of the lodge. On May 19th when I made my inspection, I had occasion to congratulate W. Bro. A. J. Murray and his officers on their work.

Mt. Sinai Lodge, No. 522, Toronto. My inspection of the lodge on April 11th was indeed a pleasure, for not only was the reception to the D.D.G.M. cordial and enthusiastic, but W. Bro. Danson and all the officers made a most favorable impression in conferring the first degree. This lodge is enjoying a large increase in membership this year. Its financial prospects are excellent and the grants for benevolent work warrants the conclusion that the members of this lodge are practising in an eminent degree, that Masonic virtue which we all profess to admire.

Mississauga Lodge, No. 524, Port Credit. I shall always have the most enjoyable recollections of the evening of April 13th when I inspected this lodge. There was the most generous hospitality extended by the I.P. M., W. Bro. Hall, who so kindly entertained a number of brethren at his home, previous to the lodge meeting. The conferring of the first degree by W. Bro. Cotton was most creditably done, and there was such a congenial co-operative spirit manifested, that one could not fail to feel that he was the guest of true and devoted Masons.

Temple Lodge, No. 525, Toronto. This lodge is enjoying a prosperity that comes from capable and effective administration. W. Bro. Geo. E. May brings to his position a business acumen and a pleasing personality

that commands the respect and admiration of the members. Having been closely associated with the lodge in recent years, I was privileged to attend a number of the regular meetings during my term of office. All these evenings might well be classed as "specials," as each was of a high order and a true Masonic inspiration. My official inspection was made on Feb. 28th when the second degree was conferred in correct and dignified form. At the refreshment table, R. W. Bro. Sir Wm Hearst, gave an eloquent address on our duties and responsibilities as Masons, well maintaining the desire of Temple Lodge to secure for each meeting some feature that would make for the edification and instruction of the members.

High Park Lodge, No. 531, Toronto. I was delighted to have the opportunity of attending this lodge on September 15th and presenting on behalf of the district the regalia of a P.D.D.G.M. to my honored and respected predecessor, R.W. Bro. Hermiston. I again visited the lodge on April 20th when W. Bro. Heron and the officers conferred the first degree for my inspection. Their work was excellent and the interest and enthusiasm of the very large attendance of members made an inspiring and lasting impression. At the banquet we were charmed and delighted with the musical programme rendered by their choir and orchestra. This is a truly great lodge, with every indication of continued progress and prosperity.

Shamrock Lodge, No. 553, Toronto. On January 17th I installed the officers of this lodge and had associated with me, R.W. Bros. A. J. Anderson and A. B. Rice, and a number of Past Masters. M.W. Bro. Ponton honored us by being present and taking part in the ceremony. My inspection was made on Mar. 21st. and all the officers under the guidance of W. Bro Allingham proved themselves to be exceptionally well skilled in the conferring of the first degree. Not only was the work most proficient, but there was a desire for instruction and likewise for the dissemination of Masonic knowledge, that made the meeting one of profitable appreciation. This lodge is enjoying a prosperity that comes from the leadership of an ideal presiding officer.

Ulster Lodge, No. 537, Toronto. A visit to this harmonious, energetic, and enthusiastic lodge, is a true Masonic tonic. I had the pleasure on November 7th of seeing the M.W.G.M. graciously and loyally honored by this lodge. On March 6th when I attended for official inspection, the first degree was conferred intelligently and impressively by W. Bro. Wilson, ably supported by his officers. Their Irish night, which I also had the pleasure of attending was celebrated as only genuine Ulstermen could, and was truly a memorable event. There is a unity of thought and effort in this lodge that makes it one of the most prosperous of the district.

Tuscan Lodge, No 541, Toronto. This lodge has had almost phenomenal growth, but it has been a secure and permanent development and reflects great credit on those who have directed its affairs so wisely and well in the inception and subsequent progress of the lodge. I visited the lodge on October 21st and was impressed with the vigor and vitality of a very large meeting. I had the pleasure on December 16th along with R.W. Bros. A. J. Anderson and A. B. Rice and V.W. Bro. Frank Saunders and a number of Past Masters of installing the officers. I visited for inspection on March 17th when the first degree was conferred in a thorough manner by W. Bro. Stirling who, as well as the officers, by an earnestness of purpose, made a dignified impression on an excellent candidate.

The General Mercer Lodge, No. 548, Toronto. Being a member of this lodge, I attended a number of meetings during the year, and was pleased to note that there continues to be attracted to the membership a number of the best types of young Canadian manhood. W. Bro. Patterson is zealous and devoted to his duties and the lodge is enjoying a prosperous, harmonious year under his direction. On February 10th when I inspected the work, the first degree was conferred quite satisfactorily. This lodge has a wealth of tradition in the name, which the brethren are conscientiously endeavoring to maintain.

Kilwinning Lodge, No. 565, Toronto. In this lodge also, I took the privilege as a member of attending frequently. Few lodges in their early development have

the advantage of such an experienced and zealous presiding officer as W. Bro. Smith-Shaw. He was also well supported, and his successor in office W. Bro. Alex. Hain, by his sincerity and fidelity of purpose is well maintaining the distinction that the lodge has enjoyed. My inspection was made on February 17th and the degree was conferred with excellent precision and attention to detail. Every officer can be justly congratulated on his effort. There is a loyal unified action in this lodge, which assures its future success.

King Hiram Lodge, No. 566, Toronto. I have been most cordially received here on several occasions during my term of office. There has been created in this lodge a loyalty and devotion to Masonic precepts and principles which can only be found in a group of Masons selected by the standard of quality rather than quantity. They are deeply indebted to W. Bro. Abernethy, their first W.M. and it must be gratifying to him, that his untiring efforts have had such beneficial and fruitful results. The lodge is favored also this year in having a most capable and energetic Mason, W. Bro. Adams, to direct the work of a splendid set of officers. The first degree as conferred on March 3rd at my inspection was accurate and impressive.

Mizpah Lodge, No. 572, Toronto. On November 10th this lodge was constituted and consecrated by the M.W.G.M. My inspection was made on April 27th when I was not only enthusiastically received, but was shown the most gracious consideration by the W.M., officers and members. The first degree was conferred most satisfactorily by W. Bro. Bennett and his officers. The talented and experienced Mason, V.W. Bro. Horwood was present, and his mature counsel and advice is a valued acquisition to any lodge.

Fidelity Lodge, No. 575, Toronto. The constitution and consecration of this lodge was held on December 6th under the direction of the M.W.G.M. I attended on January 26th at the installation ceremonies. R.W. Bro. Purchase as first W.M. has earned the gratitude of the lodge and the entire craft, for his untiring energy and zeal. The officers of the lodge will prove worthy successors in the East, and this lodge has the brightest prospects for a successful development. I saw the first

degree conferred for inspection on March 23rd, in a manner that would have done credit to any lodge in the district.

Transportation Lodge, No. 583, Toronto. A lodge which by name and what might be termed the "atmosphere" of it, appeals as a Masonic home to our transportation men, as the democracy of Freemasonry is exemplified in a rare degree by the members. The lodge was constituted and consecrated on November 23rd. by the M.W.G.M. I was present on December 12th for the installation of officers. On January 9th I officially inspected the work, which was, as I had anticipated from my previous visits, of real merit. Under the energetic and judicious direction of R.W. Bro. Boyd, the lodge will be successfully guided towards a prosperous future.

Sunnyside Lodge, No. 582, Toronto. This new lodge has had its inception under most favorable circumstances and splendid progress is being made. The M.W.G.M. attended on November 18th for the constituting and consecrating ceremonies. On January 7th I installed the W.M. and invested the officers. W. Bro. Dee and the officers conferred the second degree in excellent form on January 18th when I attended for inspection and there was keen interest shown by the members in the work of a capable staff of officers who are guided by a prudent and able Master.

Patricia Lodge, U.D., Toronto. This lodge, in the first year's activities has fully justified the granting of the Dispensation. While they have added a considerable number to their membership, the quality is good and the aggressive enthusiastic young officers have instilled a loyal and fraternal spirit, which gives just indication of harmonious progress. I visited the lodge on January 11th and was very encouraged and delighted with the first degree as conferred. W. Bro. Smeall is devoted and earnest in discharging his duties as first Master.

Institutions.

I had the honor of instituting four lodges in the district during the year. Each ceremony was attended by a large gathering of Masons to give encouragement and assistance to these new lodges at their inception. I was greatly favored on each occasion by the assistance so

cheerfully rendered by V.W. Bro. Wadsworth, G.D. of Ceremonies, W. Bros. Chisholm, W. L. Abernethy and other Past Masters and Worshipful Masters, who attended these instituting ceremonies. These were held as follows:

Mount Dennis Lodge, Toronto, on February 27th with R. W. Bro. Halladay as first W.M. I inspected the lodge on June 21st and found that they were developing very favorably, indicating steady and genuine progress. When suitable accommodation can be obtained, this lodge will meet in the district from which it takes its name.

Maple Leaf Lodge, Toronto was instituted March 1st. W. Bro. J. A. Cooper is the first W.M. and there are included among its members, several Past Masters, also that well skilled Mason, R.W. Bro. H. T. Smith, as Treasurer. I had every reason to congratulate the W.M. and officers on June 2nd when the third degree was conferred for inspection.

Melita Lodge, Toronto, instituted April 22nd, with R.W. Bro. Hermiston as W.M. This lodge is a natural development from High Park Lodge and the fraternal good will and best wishes from the older lodge to the younger offspring exemplified the Masonic spirit in the highest degree, as well as being a just tribute of esteem and affection to R.W. Bro. Hermiston, who was the first W.M. of High Park Lodge, and also of the progeny Melita. My visit of inspection on May 27th left a most favorable impression that the success of this lodge is assured.

Unity Lodge, Toronto, which was instituted on April 30th has a large Charter Membership. W. Bro. E. J. Repath is the first W.M. and he has the support, not only of the East, but of a selected, proficient group of officers. The first degree as conferred on June 10th when I attended for inspection was a model of thoroughness and attention to detail. My sincere wishes are extended for a successful future.

In conclusion, I again wish to express my gratitude to the brethren who so graciously honored me a year ago. I have my regrets in parting in an official capacity with a

district that has given me such loyal allegiance and support. For the many generous and kindly considerations extended to me by the different lodges, I am most grateful. I trust my brethren will kindly overlook and forgive, with true Masonic charity, my many foibles and shortcomings. The year has been to me, one of education and inspiration, and my earnest wish and fervent desire is, that I have to some extent given my brethren of the district, a true interpretation of the practical aims and ideals of our Fraternity.

Fraternally submitted,

R. B. DARGAVEL, D.D.G.M.,

Toronto West District, No. 11

TORONTO EAST DISTRICT No. 11A

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

It is with much pleasure that I submit my report upon the condition of Masonry in Toronto East District No. 11A, for the Masonic Year.

I desire to record my appreciation of the very great honor conferred upon me in my election to the office of District Deputy Grand Master of this large and influential district. I also desire to publicly recognize the many kindnesses and courtesies shown me by the lodges of the district during my tenure of office. I am proud to say that the loyalty of this district to the Most Worshipful the Grand Master is beyond question, and the reception accorded me as his representative was such as to provide inspiration and encouragement in the discharge of my duty.

During the Inspection of the various lodges I felt it incumbent upon me to speak to the brethren with the utmost frankness, knowing that "Real Masons" appreciate candor and sincerity rather than subterfuge and undeserved flattery.

"The true friend is not he who holds up flattery's mirror,
In which the face to thy conceit most pleasing hovers;
But, he who kindly shows thee all thy vices,
And helps thee mend them ere an enemy discovers."

This method of inspection enabled me to be of assistance to many of the lodges, and as a result we have been fairly successful in bringing about that "much-to-be-desired" uniform interpretation of the work.

Having taken candor as the keynote of my remarks to the constituent lodges I feel that I should be doing less than my duty were I to be other than candid in this my official report to Grand Lodge.

The condition of Masonry in this District is such as to fill me with confidence for the future. I judge not the condition by the number of new lodges that have been instituted during the year, nor am I influenced by the great increase in our membership, but rather I base my statement on the fact that at last we as Masons are realizing our responsibility.

No longer are we content to consider our beloved Craft as merely an excuse for late nights and extravagant entertainment. On the contrary, the lodges of this District see in their Masonic work an opportunity for "Service" to their fellowmen. Our lodges are rapidly becoming community centers and at last we are practising real Masonry. Charity and brotherly love characterize not only the work of the lodges but of the members individually. With such a condition prevailing we need have no fear as to the future.

Next to our duty as Masons, our first consideration should be the material with which we are building. The workman's first thought is to the quality of his material—our first thought should be to the character of those who seek admission. We too are builders and on the quality of our material depends the strength of our Masonic structure in the days to come. Let us not forget that the candidate of to-day becomes the ruler of the Craft tomorrow.

"For the structure that we raise,
Time is with material filled;
Our Todays and Yesterdays,
Are the blocks with which we build."

Masonry has in my humble opinion become too popular and herein lies our greatest danger. Great numbers are knocking upon our portals and now more than ever should we exercise care in the selection of our future membership. I am strongly of the opinion that the newspaper publicity of many of our Toronto lodges is responsible for the desire on the part of a great number to become Masons. I believe that these detailed reports of special meetings should be discouraged. Masonry does not need advertising and such reports can only be of interest to members of the Craft and not to the general public. As Masonic journals provide a

proper medium for the distribution of such news among the fraternity surely we can dispense with reports in the public press.

New Lodges

While not opposed to the formation of new lodges where it is shown that the need is genuine I am convinced that in the city of Toronto we have a sufficient number of active lodges to serve all sections of the community for the present at least. Serious consideration should be given to this question and the Constitution amended to make it necessary in large centers for the consent of seventy-five percent. of the existing lodges before a dispensation can be granted.

While not questioning the motive behind the formation of many of these new lodges I do think that there is a very grave danger that our barriers of qualification may be lowered. With so many lodges all under heavy expense is it not reasonable to suppose that in the very near future we may have competition for members? With the desire for expensive entertainment the question of revenue becomes a serious one. The chief source of revenue must be in the securing of new members, and should the supply of proper material fail what is more likely than the lowering of that high standard which up to the present we have been successful in maintaining?

Inspections

During the past twelve months I have visited all of the lodges of this District on one or more occasions and it is distinctly pleasing that the true fraternity spirit prevails. The officers of every lodge are taking their work seriously and as it has become the custom to exchange visits the Worshipful Masters and Brethren of the District have become well acquainted. All are endeavouring to practise good Masonry and in District No. 11a we have developed a splendid "Esprit de Corps" which is largely responsible for the high standard of Craftsmanship which has been set and which I am delighted to say is being ably maintained. Long may it be so—in unity is strength and the lodges of this District not only take pride in their own work but take a personal interest in the activities of their sister lodges.

The work of the lodges of the District is such that I do not feel it necessary to make special reference to my inspection at each. Sincere in their efforts the work generally is of an excellent character and with no exceptions to the rule, I shall content myself with simply reporting my official inspections and the dates on which they were made.

Official Inspections

- Oct. 3—St. John's Lodge.
- Oct. 17—Zeredatha Lodge (Uxbridge).
- Oct. 21—King Edward Lodge (Sunderland).
- Nov. 5—Georgina Lodge.
- Nov. 9—Brock Lodge (Cannington).
- Feb. 1—Ionic Lodge.
- Feb. 16—Doric Lodge.
- Feb. 20—Acacia Lodge.
- Feb. 21—John Ross Robertson Lodge.
- Mar. 6.—Mimosa Lodge.
- Mar. 10—The Beaches Lodge.
- Mar. 14—St. Andrew's Lodge.
- Mar. 17—Canada Lodge.
- Mar. 22—Victory Lodge.
- April 4—Orient Lodge.
- April 5—Queen City Lodge.
- April 11—Coronati Lodge.
- April 12—St. Aidan's Lodge.
- April 28—Riverdale Lodge.
- May 5—Markham Union Lodge (Markham).
- May 8—Stevenson Lodge.
- May 10—Brougham Union Lodge (Claremont).
- May 18—Doric Lodge (Pickering).
- June 9—Richardson Lodge (Stouffville).

My first official act after assuming office was the selection of W. Bro. S. G. Wharin, P.M. of The Beaches Lodge as District Secretary. I desire to pay tribute to his zeal and efficiency. He accompanied me on nearly all of my official visits and his self-sacrificing devotion to duty should earn for him the esteem of the Brethren and such satisfaction as may be derived from a knowledge of "Work Well Done."

In conclusion let me say that one of the outstanding pleasures of my year's work has been the close association with my colleagues of the Center and West Districts

of Toronto. Together we considered the problems of our respective Districts, the result being a uniformity in our decisions and in our method of Inspection. I have also appreciated the opportunity of meeting and on several occasions of assisting the Most Worshipful the Grand Master. I shall not soon forget the many pleasant evenings which we have spent together during the past season. Nor shall I forget the kindness of the various lodges to me personally. Their co-operation and loyalty lessened the burden of responsibility and made it possible for me to lay the foundation of many new friendships. These I shall cherish as memories of a most delightful year.

“Life is sweet because of the friends we have made,
And the things that in common we share,
We want to live on, not because of ourselves,
But because of the people who care;

It is in giving and doing for somebody else,
On that, life's splendour depends.
For the joy in this life, when you sum it all up,
Is found in the making of friends.”

All of which is respectfully submitted,

GEO. L. GARDINER, D.D.G.M.,
Toronto East District No. 11A.

TORONTO CENTRE DISTRICT No. 11B

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor of presenting my report as D.D.G. M. of Toronto Centre District 11B. I do so with much pleasure on the completion of my year as the Grand Master's representative in this important Toronto District.

At the outset let me express my thanks to the brethren of the District for the honor conferred upon me in electing me to this high position in Masonry. In assuming the office, I did so with considerable misgiving realizing the responsibilities and duties incumbent upon me. I have endeavoured conscientiously to fulfil those duties to the best of my ability and where I have failed I trust the broad mantle of Masonic Charity will cover up my shortcomings.

One of my first duties after assuming office was to appoint Wor. Bro. John G. McDonald of Rising Sun Lodge, Aurora, District Secretary and to him I owe a deep debt of gratitude for his unsparing efforts in prosecuting the duties of that office. His assistance has materially lessened my official duties by his careful scrutiny of the Secretary's books in each lodge visited and reporting all carefully and correctly kept. Also appointing Wor. Bro. Rev. S. R. Robinson of Vaughan Lodge, Maple, as District Chaplain. Owing to illness the District Chaplain has not been permitted to accompany us as often as either he or we would have wished, but we are thankful to state he is now on a fair way to complete recovery, being able to resume his clerical and other duties.

I am pleased to report Toronto Centre District in a most prosperous position, both financially and Masonically. In no case have I found the work indifferently exemplified. In fact, it has been an easy task to inspect the work as the lodges show the greatest proficiency in each officer from the Jr. Steward to the Worshipful Master, each officer filling his office with dignity and ability.

Harmony prevails among the thirty-one lodges comprising the district, substantial increases in membership have been made of that class where strict scrutiny of the candidate's character has been made, presenting only worthy material.

It has been my privilege and pleasure to have visited each of the lodges in the District once, in some cases twice, and again some three times. This especially refers to those working under Dispensation, where I have been anxious to learn how they have progressed after being instituted. I have endeavoured in addressing the lodges to make my remarks particularly with reference to material admitted to the lodge, not to strive for a large membership but to have those admitted, who would conform to the principles and teachings of Masonry and after admission the duties and responsibilities of the Initiate. Also to practise the principles inculcated, not only in the lodge, but in every day life.

On every hand I have been received in a most courteous and considerate manner, thus enabling me to prosecute my duties with pleasure, and for the many kindnesses shown me, I am deeply grateful.

I have also advocated the use of the musical part of the ceremonies not to confine it to the quartette, or choir, but to enlist the interest of each brother present, and what is more inspiring than to hear a body of men join in the singing of sacred music? To my colleagues in the East and West Toronto Districts, R.W. Bros. Gardiner and Dargavel, I am deeply grateful for many helpful and instructive conferences where matters of importance to this Metropolitan district have been discussed, which have helped very materially to a mutual understanding, and for advancing the best interests of the craft.

I would respectfully call attention of the Masters and Secretaries of the several lodges in the district to the practice of giving publicity to Masonic functions in the daily press, in some cases, almost minute details are given. This is not Masonic practice, and I would respectfully ask that where notices are given, they be of a very brief nature.

I wish also to impress my grateful thanks to Wor. Bros. Wilson and Livingstone of Metropolitan Lodge, for their furnishing on each occasion of a visit to the lodges on the northern part of the district, a private car, enabling the brethren along the line to avail themselves of this privilege, of attending, where otherwise they would be prevented.

Sept. 22nd. I visited Corinthian Lodge, No. 481, by invitation to present Grand Lodge regalia to the retiring D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. Garfield Hood, which I willingly did for on my visitations through the district I learned of his popularity and painstaking efforts in the cause of Masonry. A most enjoyable evening was spent with the brethren of Corinthian. Wor. Bro. Douglas and his officers exemplified the first degree in a efficient manner. After the work R.W. Bro. Hood was addressed by the ruling D.D.G.M. and presented with a set of past D.D.G.M. regalia including an undress set. Bro. Hood replied in a happy and reminiscent manner recounting the pleasure it had given him to represent the most Worshipful Grand Master in the Toronto Centre District; afterwards V.W. Bro. Orr was presented with a set of regalia of the office to which he had been appointed who also replied in a very happy manner.

Oct. 19th. I attended the constitution and consecration of Harcourt Lodge, No. 581, by M.W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt. It was with much pleasure that I assisted in this most impressive ceremony, it being my first official act. Needless to say M.W. Bro. Harcourt after whom the lodge is named performed the ceremony in a dignified and impressive manner.

Oct. 24th. I visited Harmony Lodge, No. 438, on the occasion of the M.W. the Grand Master's visit and assisted in the exemplification of the third degree. As this was M.W. Bro. Ponton's first official visit to Toronto as Grand Master, the work was conferred by present and past Grand Lodge Officers, R. W. Rowland, occupying the chair in the East, each of the ruling District Deputies taking prominent part in the work. This was a most successful and impressive conferring of the third degree and a memorable night for Harmony Lodge.

Oct. 26th. I visited Metropolitan Lodge, No. 542 being the occasion of their annual Past Masters' night. The attendance was very large taking the capacity of the lodge room. The past masters exemplified the second degree in a most impressive manner. Wor. Bro. Covell in the East and past masters of the lodge in each of the chairs. This lodge is in a very prosperous and healthy condition. To Wor. Bro. C. L. Wilson and his officers this is largely due for their unsparing efforts for the best interests of the lodge.

Oct. 27th. I visited Corinthian Lodge, No. 481, this being International night on which occasion many Masons of Buffalo paid a fraternal visit. This occasion was honoured by the presence of the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, who delivered a patriotic and impressive address emphasizing the strong fraternal feeling that existed between the lodges in the United States and Canada. The attendance was very large and the true spirit of Brotherhood was manifest in the fraternizing of the lodges from each side of the border which exerts a strong influence in cementing the bonds of fraternal friendship.

I was present at the constituting and consecration of the following lodges by the Most Worshipful Grand Master W. N. Ponton. While this represented considerable work other than the regular official visits of the District Deputy I deem it an honour as well as a privilege to accompany him. The time was profitably spent as the earnest impressive and dignified manner in which Most Worshipful Bro. Ponton conducted these ceremonies, the very practical and interesting addresses delivered, which were both inspiring and helpful, making a deep impression on those present at each of these ceremonies. The attendance of the present and past Grand Lodge officers was very encouraging showing the loyalty of the Brethren to the Grand Master and their interests in the craft.

- Nov. 1st—Dufferin Lodge, No. 570.
- Nov. 16th.—Antiquity Lodge, No. 571.
- Nov. 17th.—Sunnyside Lodge, No. 582.
- Nov. 24th.—St. Clair Lodge, No. 577.
- Dec. 5th.—Mimosa Lodge, No. 576.
- Dec. 6th.—Fidelity Lodge No. 575.

Nov. 11th. I instituted Grey Lodge under very favourable circumstances. This lodge is composed of men from the Grey counties, feeling that they could better enjoy the friendship and associations of brother Masons whose birthplace and residence had been in these counties, and who had not affiliated with Toronto Lodges, after having taken up their residence here, this circumstance largely contributed to its formation. The ceremony was impressive and largely attended. Wor. Bro. Dr. G. H. Armstrong the first master presided at the banquet following the work of the evening. R.W. Bro. Sir Wm. Hearst and several past masters gave very interesting reminiscences of life in the Grey counties.

Nov. 14th. I visited officially Union Lodge Schomberg. The first degree was exemplified by Worshipful Bro. R. Stewart. On this occasion I was accompanied by several Past Grand Lodge Officers and brethren from the neighboring lodges. This lodge is apparently in a prosperous condition, owing to the concerted action of the members.

Dec. 2nd. I officially visited Rising Sun Lodge, No. 129, when Wor. Bro. Dr. Williams ably exemplified the first degree. Each of the officers proved himself not only qualified but expert in their several parts. A notable and outstanding feature of this lodge is the interest taken by the past masters who are represented in goodly numbers not only at the regular but also the emergent communications. A very profitable and pleasant evening was spent at Rising Sun.

Dec. 7th. I was tendered a complimentary banquet by the W.M. Bro. Metcalf officers and members of Richmond Lodge, No. 23, where I had affiliated in 1913 after removing to Richmond Hill and from this lodge received the honor of representing the M.W. the Grand Master in Toronto Centre district 11B. To me it was a great surprise and one of the most enjoyable and successful gatherings of the year.

Dec. 8th. I instituted North Gate Lodge, assisted by many present and past Grand Lodge officers. This young and progressive lodge starts on its career in a most encouraging manner. V.W. Bro. John Cook has associated himself with many past Grand Lodge officers

notably R.W. Bro. Chas. Murphy, P.D.D.G.M., V.W. Bro. D. Robertson and Wor. Bro. Urmy as Secretary. After the ceremony which was impressively rendered, the large attendance repaired to the banquet hall, where a pleasant hour was spent, complimentary remarks being made and congratulations to the new lodge.

Dec. 14th. I paid my official visit to Tuscan Lodge, No. 99, where I was received in a most courteous manner by a large number of the brethren of Tuscan and visiting brethren. I was accompanied by a number of the brethren of Richmond Lodge, No. 23. The first degree was exemplified in an impressive manner by Worshipful Bro. Pritchard and his officers I can report this lodge in a prosperous condition both financially and as a Masonic Lodge. The members evince deep interest in the work and the prosperity of the Lodge.

Dec. 16th. Visited York Lodge, No. 156, the occasion being the installation of the officers. This lodge is the pioneer in the Eglinton district, many distinguished Masons have passed through the chairs of York Lodge and a number having been members of Grand Lodge. The newly installed master, Wor. Bro. Harry Jennings is a consistent and practical Mason and York under his guidance promises a successful year.

Dec. 19th. I had made all arrangements for instituting Fairbank Lodge to night, but through death of a near relative had to leave for New York, unexpectedly. My colleagues in the East and West Districts, R.W. Bros. Gardiner and Dargavel kindly consented to act for me and from report of R.W. Bro. Gardiner, in which he expresses his pleasure in acting for me stated arrangements previously made were adequate. Both the instituting ceremony and subsequent banquet passed off successfully. Fully one hundred and fifty brethren being present, both R.W. Bros. Dargavel and Hermiston assisting with some twenty or more past and present Grand Lodge officers. A compliment to this young and promising lodge of which Wor. Bro. John T. Watson is the first Master. Assisting him are past Grand Lodge officers R.W. Bro. A. J. Brown, V.W. Bro. Robt. Ferguson, Wor. Bros. McKennedy and Lehman.

Dec. 28th. Was present at the Installation of the Master and officers of Metropolitan Lodge. An old

friend was the master elect, Wor. Bro. Fred Livingston with whom I had been associated for a number of years Masonically. I congratulated the lodge on the selection of officers and on a subsequent visit had reason to see the wisdom of the choice. The true Masonic spirit bringing peace and harmony to Metropolitan Lodge.

Jan. 10th. I attended with the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, St. Andrews Lodge, No. 16. The occasion being Empire night and this being my mother lodge and the first meeting after the Installation of Wor. Bro. Whealey and in St. Andrews centennial year. The Grand Master and the three District Deputies were received most graciously, each receiving from the Worshipful masters a most felicitous welcome.

Jan. 17th. Attended Installation of officers of Shamrock Lodge, No. 533, at which the most Worshipful the Grand Master was present. R.W. Bro. Dargavel was Installing master as this lodge is in his district No. 11. I wish to emphasize the dignified and impressive manner in which Bro. Dargavel performed his duties. The Most Worshipful the Grand Master complimented him on the excellent manner, in which the work was performed.

Jan. 18th. Attended Installation of officers of Antiquity Lodge, No. 571. This lodge was warranted and consecrated by most Wor. Grand Master Ponton on Nov. 16th, 1921. The Installing Master being R.W. Bro. E. W. E. Saunders, assisted by R.W. Bro. H. T. Smith. The Instal'ation was very impressively performed. This young and prosperous lodge is making excellent progress under Wor. Bro. Armstrong and his officers.

Jan. 24th. Visited officially Ashlar Lodge, No. 247, where I received a most cordial reception. This lodge has a reputation for holding the interest of its Past Masters. This night was no exception as they were present in large numbers the work of the evening was the third degree. To Wor. Bro. Wade and his officers I can only say it was perfectly and impressively rendered in all respects. This is especially remarkable, being the first meeting of the lodge after Installation. This feature has been the custom of Ashlar to receive the D.D.G.M.

officially at the first meeting of the year; a severe test for the newly installed officers. The choir rendered the musical portions very effectively. The fourth degree terminating a very successful and pleasant evening.

Feb. 1st. Attended York Lodge At Home. This event is looked forward to by the brethren and their lady friends as an occasion in which fellowship, recreation and a good time abounds. This year was no exception. A large attendance was present to enjoy a concert, followed by a sumptuous supper afterwards dancing was indulged in to music furnished by a first class Orchestra.

Feb. 10th. Visited Grey Lodge. This young lodge which I Instituted on Nov. 11th, 1921, has been well organized and conducting the business of the lodge in a commendable manner. Wor. Bro. Dr. J. H. Armstrong who had previous experience as Wor. Master of a lodge in Grey County and his officers conferred the entered apprentice degree very impressively. At the fourth degree, after refreshments an attractive programme of speech and song brought to a close a pleasant and profitable evening.

Feb. 15th. Paid my official visit to Harcourt Lodge No. 581, which was consecrated on the 19th Oct., 1921; by M.W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt. This Lodge is unique in that its hours for labor and refreshment are reversed. The brethren meet at six o'clock p.m. have supper and entertainment before Lodge is opened. Lodge opened at eight p.m., degrees conferred and closed about ten-thirty p.m. The third degree was exemplified on this occasion in a most impressive manner by Wor. Bro. John Millar and his officers who are to be congratulated as there was no point on which criticism could be made other than that it was beautifully exemplified and in keeping with the dignity, and solemnity of this impressive degree. The candidate Bro. Ratcliffe made an excellent impression having been perfectly prepared. The quartette rendered the musical part very impressively. Another feature of this lodge is that each candidate receives a copy of the Bible on which he is initiated, passed, and raised with the dates inscribed in same. This feature is highly commended as a lasting reminder to the candidate of the vows he has obligated himself to observe.

Feb. 20th. Officially visited Fairbank Lodge, which was Instituted December 19th, 1921. Excellent progress had been made in organizing the lodge. With a long list of charter members and applications for initiation the Wor. Master John T. Watson and his officers were kept busy. On the night of my visit the first degree was exemplified in a dignified and impressive manner by the Wor. Master. Attention was called to the work of one or two of the officers who were not as proficient as their office called for. However, this has been remedied as evinced on a later visit to the lodge. Particular attention was called to the work of Jr. Warden Rev. Bro. H. R. Young who delivered the lecture on the tracing board in a very intelligent and impressive manner. At the fourth degree, a very appetizing repast was served, followed by song and speech.

Feb. 23rd. I officially visited Northgate Lodge, another of the lodges instituted by me, this on Dec. 8th, 1921. My remarks of the other lodges is applicable to Northgate. It was instituted under very favourable auspices, a large list of past Grand Lodge Officers and Past Masters of York being included in the list of officers. The work of the evening being the Entered apprentice degree which was exemplified in a most satisfactory manner by V.W. Bro. John Cook and his officers. I expected to see perfect work and was not disappointed; each officer being proficient in his part, making a very deep impression on the candidate. The fourth degree was replete with good things for mind and body.

Feb. 24th. Attended the funeral of our late R.W. Bro. R. J. Gibson, in the capacity of representative of Grand Lodge as honorary pall-bearer. This was one of the largest Masonic funerals ever taken place in Toronto from the fact that our late Bro. Gibson was a popular and devoted member of the craft, having been actively connected with craft and Capitular Masonry up to the time of his sudden and tragic death.

Feb. 27th. Visited Harmony Lodge, No. 438 officially, was received by Wor. Bro. Wilbur in a very gracious manner. The attendance was unusually large and the work of the evening being the first degree exemplified most impressively by the Wor. Master and his

officers. I felt justified in my criticism of the work to compliment Harmony Lodge on its excellent staff of officers from the Jr. Steward to the Wor. Master. The quartette rendered the musical ritual in an impressive manner. Although I feel that where all the members of a lodge join in the singing it enhances and adds to the beauty of the work; for what is finer than a large number of male voices joining in sacred music? The quartette rendered several selections during the hour spent at the refreshment table.

March 1st. Visited officially St. Clair Lodge, No. 577. Am pleased to report this lodge which was consecrated by the most Worshipful Grand Master Ponton on November 24th, 1921, to be in a very prosperous condition. Wor. Bro. Whetter and his officers are to be congratulated on the impressive manner in which the candidate was initiated. His deliberate and impressive delivery was reflected in each of his officers and goes to prove that where a master exemplifies the true principles and feels the sacredness of Masonic work that lodge is sure to earn a reputation for giving the Initiates in their first step, the best impression of what Masonry really stands for. Although the very large number of seventy-three members have been enrolled, I am informed that no part of the work is slighted but all receive the work in full. This lodge, although in its infancy, has organized an excellent orchestra which rendered choice selections during the refreshment hour, all contributing to make the evening a very pleasant and helpful one.

March 3rd. Paid my official visit to War Veterans Lodge U.D. This lodge was instituted June, 1921, but too late to allow of receiving its warrant at the communication of Grand Lodge last year. The membership of this lodge is largely made up of War Veterans; fully 90% being men who served their King and Country in the great world war. The entered apprentice degree was exemplified in a very impressive manner by V.W. Bro. Col. Geo. Ross the Wor. Master and his officers. I have never met greater cordiality or respect for a ruling master than is evinced in this lodge. A feature of the fourth degree was a huge Birthday Cake suitably decorated with sixty-nine lighted candles, representing the number

of birthdays passed by the master. To him this was a great surprise. Several of the musical numbers had been especially prepared for the occasion.

March 6th. Visited St. John's Lodge, No. 75. The occasion being the visit of the Most Worshipful Grand Master W. N. Ponton. After the candidate had been initiated by the Master Wor. Bro. Reade Davis and his officers, reference was made in an address to what had transpired during the afternoon, when a cot was endowed in the name of the Grand Lodge and St. John's Lodge in the Hospital for Incurable Children, this to commemorate the visit of the Grand Master. At the fourth degree many interesting addresses were given and a programme of musical selections brought the evening to a close.

March 7th. Visited Dufferin Lodge, No. 570, officially. This lodge was warranted and consecrated by the Most Wor. Grand Master W. N. Ponton on November 1st, 1921. The lodge under its first Wor. Master Dr. T. A. Carson and his officers has enjoyed a very prosperous and successful year. On this occasion the first degree was exemplified in a manner entirely satisfactory to me, giving the candidate the best impressions of Masonry, which was conferred with deliberation and impressiveness.

March 9th. Officially visited King Solomon's Lodge, No. 22. I was very cordially received by Wor. Bro. Thos. Taylor and the brethren of the oldest lodge in the district, which has enjoyed a very prosperous and historic reputation during the many years of its existence by furnishing Grand Masters and many Grand Lodge officers. The entered apprentice degree was exemplified in a most impressive manner by the W.M. and his officers and left no room for criticism other than, well done. After refreshments at the fourth degree, a very instructive and interesting address by Prof. Gillespie of Toronto University entitled "The Career of Sir Sanford Fleming" which partook largely of the construction of the first transcontinental railway in Canada by the Canadian Pacific Railway, giving the members an idea of the many difficulties that had to be overcome in pioneer work of this nature.

March 15th. Visited officially my own lodge, Richmond, No. 23. On this occasion a historic visit was paid by the W.M. the Grand Master. Although the lodge was warranted in 1858 it was the first time a ruling Grand Master was present and most enthusiastically received. The work of the evening being an initiation which was most impressively performed by Wor. Bro. A. Metcalf and his officers. The M.W. Grand Master Ponton delivered very impressive addresses, both in the lodge room and at the banquet, on the duties of Masons to their lodges and each other, also their obligation to Grand Lodge in way of helpfulness to brother Masons, and referred to schemes for the betterment of indigent Masons and their children. A pleasant feature was the presentation by the D.D.G.M. of a volume of the sacred Law Square and Compass with cushion, to commemorate his year of office as the Grand Master's representative in this district.

March 17th. Paid my official visit to York Lodge No. 156, when the entered apprentice degree was exemplified by Wor. Bro. H. Jennings and his officers. This was one of the largest gatherings of members and visitors in the history of the lodge, in fact, the lodge room was inadequate to accommodate all who wished to be present and made it difficult for the officers to perform their parts in a satisfactory manner. Before the lodge closed R.W. Bro. E. A. James presented the lodge with a water-color sketch of the original building and room in which the first meeting of York Lodge was held. At the fourth degree, it being the anniversary of Ireland's Patron Saint, refreshments, decorations and entertainment partook of that nature. A most instructive address was delivered by Bro. Rev. McKay on "Ireland and its relation to Masonry."

March 21st. Visited Wilson Lodge officially when Wor. Bro. J. L. Hughes and his officers exemplified the first degree in an entirely satisfactory manner, each officer showing careful preparation of his part, and the general proficiency was noticeable. What is very helpful to the master and his officers is the choir, of which Wilson Lodge may be proud, leading the brethren in the musical portion, all joining heartily, adding impressiveness to the work. This Lodge has inaugurated curtailment in expenditure at the fourth degree and devoting

more to benevolence. Dr. J. L. Hughes one of the Past Masters of St. Andrew's Lodge delivered a very impressive and interesting address on Robert Burns showing many of the traits of Bobby's character in a new light. Addresses such as these are very helpful and instructive.

March 22nd. Paid my official visit to Metropolitan Lodge, No. 542, under the able leadership of Wor. Bro. Livingston and his officers. This lodge is making rapid progress and doing excellent work and is to be congratulated on having so capable and painstaking officers which was reflected in the exemplification of the first degree. No candidate could help but be impressed and feel that he is a better man by obligating himself to live up to the moral lessons taught in this impressive ceremony. In the fourth degree the spirit of good fellowship which is truly Masonic pervaded the supper hour. An excellent quartette rendered vocal selections and addresses by R.W. Bros. Rowland and Wilson brought a very pleasant evening to a close.

March 23rd. Visited Corinthian Lodge, No. 481, officially. This being the mother lodge of my predecessor, R.W. Bro. Garfield Hood, I naturally expected perfect work in which I was not disappointed as Wor. Bro. Marc David and his officers exemplified the first degree in an efficient and impressive manner. The impressiveness was enhanced by the rendering of the musical portion by an excellent choir. This feature is very commendable and should be encouraged in all lodges, not to monopolise, but to lead in the singing. At the fourth degree where the refreshments were very enjoyable a first class orchestra enlivened the proceedings, rendering several selections in a very proficient manner. This, with the choir gave the brethren a musical treat and helped to make the visit to Corinthian Lodge a long to be remembered evening. I learned it was through the courtesy of Wor. Bro. Scott and the officers of John Ross Robertson Lodge that the choir and orchestra were present to do honor to the M.W. the Grand Master's representative. John Ross Robertson Lodge is to be congratulated on having two such proficient and helpful organizations and should be an incentive to other lodges to do likewise.

April 6th. Patterson Lodge, No. 265 Thornhill was visited officially on this evening. Wor. Master O. C. James, one of the youngest ruling masters in the district with his officers exemplified the first degree in a very creditable manner. This lodge is growing rapidly and contemplates enlarging this year their lodge room, as additional accommodation is necessary, which speaks well for the growth of Masonry in the country districts. R. W. Bros. Edgar A. James and J. E. Francis have not lost their activity in Masonry, being very helpful in Patterson Lodge.

April 10th. Visited Simcoe Lodge, No. 79, Bradford. Owing to the condition of the country roads, found it difficult to reach this town by auto. Although it was accomplished through the generous offer of Bro. Wells of Rising Sun Lodge, Aurora, who supplied transportation, enabling the District Deputy, Secretary and visitors to return home same night. This lodge has splendid accommodation, being well furnished and very comfortable. The lodge has in its membership the leading business men of the town, who take a deep interest in Masonry, which was reflected in the lodge and room appointments. Wor. Bro. O.M. Seim and his officers exemplified the first degree in a very satisfactory manner, each officer being proficient and well skilled.

April 12th. On the occasion of my visit to Malone Lodge, No. 512, Sutton, the most northerly lodge in the district, I was accompanied by a large number of the Brethren of the several lodges along the Metropolitan Radial Line, who provided transportation from Toronto to Sutton. This lodge appears to be very attractive at the time of this annual visit of the D.D.G.M. as a large number of the Brethren look forward to visiting Malone Lodge on these occasions. I was accompanied by M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone, Past Grand Master, and Grand Treasurer, after whom the lodge is named, also his son Wor. Bro. Gerald Malone, and other Grand Lodge officers. There was a very large attendance and all received a great surprise by the impressive and perfect manner in which the Master Mason degree was exemplified by Wor. Bro. Harry A. Thompson and his officers. I cannot speak too highly of Wor. Bro. Thompson's work which was most commendable, reflecting careful preparation and rehearsal by him and his officers. It is

difficult in the country districts to hold rehearsals as the distance covered by some of the officers is considerable and very difficult to negotiate at times, but evidently that obstacle had been overcome as each officer proved his efficiency. This, being the third time during my official visits that the third degree was exemplified and none more impressively than on this occasion.

April 17th. Visited St. Alban's Lodge, No. 514. The District Deputy and his secretary were received in a very courteous manner by Wor. Master J. L. Davidson. The First Degree was the work of the evening which was exemplified in a very creditable manner. The W.M. and his officers being very proficient in their work. The candidates could not help but be deeply impressed with the beauty of the work by the impressive manner in which it was conferred. After the refreshments in the supper room a very interesting and intellectual address was given by Bro. E. L. Cousins, chief engineer and manager of the Toronto Harbor Commission, assisted by lantern slides: he described and showed what is being accomplished in the way of reclaiming waste marsh, making it available for manufacturing purposes and the magnificent waterfront and recreation grounds, which is also reclaimed ground, giving Toronto one of the most attractive waterfronts on the continent. The lecturer pointed out while the expense has been very great, the cost of these improvements will be offset by the value of the reclaimed ground. A very instructive and profitable hour was spent and enjoyed by all present.

April 19th. Richmond Lodge held their annual Ladies' night. This event is looked forward to by the brethren, their wives and lady friends, and this occasion was fully up to the standard of previous years, opened with a reception by Wor. Master and Mrs. Metcalf, after which a very enjoyable programme of vocal and instrumental music was rendered. Through the generosity of our good friend, Wor. Bro. Bulmer of St. Andrew's Lodge, the choir of Perth Avenue Public School were present, and under the very efficient training of Miss Hunter, Vocal Instructress, several enjoyable glee and choruses were rendered. Miss Hunter also contributing vocal numbers and Miss Bulmer readings, all of which were greatly appreciated. After the programme, all refreshments were served, followed by dancing for an hour or so,

bringing together the ladies and the brethren of the lodge in an evening of social enjoyment.

April 19th. Owing to misunderstanding in dates, I was prevented from visiting officially Antiquity Lodge No. 571, which was warranted and consecrated on November 16th, 1921, by M.W. Bro. Ponton. R.W. Bro. E. W. E. Saunders past D.D.G.M. acted for me, to whom I am indebted for this courtesy, reporting this Lodge in splendid working condition. Wor. Master W. J. Armstrong and his officers conferred the first degree in an admirable manner, each officer being capable and proficient in his part. The fourth degree was replete with all that goes to make this part of the work interesting, profitable and enjoyable.

April 21st. Visited York Lodge, No. 156, on the occasion of their celebrating English night for the first time. On the occasion of my official visit March 17th, which was Irish night and they having celebrated Scottish night, the anniversary of St. Andrews Day, thus celebrating the anniversary of three patron saints of the British Isles. This lodge with its large membership finds it difficult to accommodate all who wish to attend and are planning to build a larger Temple which will give ample accommodation for the lodges and chapters which occupy this building. In the fourth degree no detail to make it conform with English customs was omitted, the roast beef and plum pudding being very prominent on the menu. It was an English dinner in the true sense of the word and enjoyed by the very large number present.

April 25th. I accompanied R.W. Bros. Dargavel and Gardiner to Temple Lodge, No. 525, on the occasion of their District Deputy's night when past and present Grand Lodge officers occupied the several chairs. The East, West and South being occupied by the present active D.D.G.M's, when the entered apprentice degree was exemplified. The Annette Street Masonic Temple in which Temple Lodge meets is a fine building, very commodious and classic in design and appointments very perfect. The true Masonic spirit is very noticeable and Wor. Bro. May, his officers and Past Masters are to be congratulated on the harmonious and brotherly feeling that prevails in the lodge.

April 26th. Visited Victory Lodge, No. 547, with R.W. Bros. Gardiner and Dargavel, this being the third anniversary of this lodge, which was instituted and warranted after the close of the great world war to commemorate the victory won by the Allies and to remember the sacrifices made by our gallant boys in the struggle for liberty and freedom. Wor. Bro. Dr. Evans and his officers exemplified the second degree in a very efficient manner. After the degree was completed a very solemn and impressive service took place, remembering those Masonic brethren who had made the supreme sacrifice by having their names read aloud, all standing with bowed heads while this and the Dead March was rendered by the organist, after which, the last post was sounded: "Lest we forget, Lest we forget!"

April 28th. Visited Zetland Lodge, No. 326, officially, and was received by the Wor. Master A. H. Macabe in a most courteous manner; in his reception reviewed the number of Grand Lodge officers that had been elected and appointed from Zetland Lodge which is probably the largest number of any Lodge in the district. The loyalty of the Past Masters in supporting the officers is an inspiration to the officers and brethren of the lodge. The first degree was exemplified by the Wor. Master and his officers in a very efficient manner. A noticeable feature was that the Wor. Master gave the entered apprentice degree in full, which has not been the case in many of the official visits. The only part omitted was the Past Master's charge, which was given very impressively by the W.M.'s. father, Wor. Bro. John H. Macabe. At the conclusion of the District Deputy's remarks, Most Wor. Bro. E. T. Malone spoke of the impartial manner in which the District Deputy had performed his duties, he having been present on several occasions. Through illness I was prevented from attending the fourth degree which was very much regretted.

May 3rd. Was present at the Semi-Centennial Celebration of Patterson Lodge, No. 265, Thornhill, this lodge having been warranted in 1872 at Concord, but afterwards moving to Thornhill, has had a very successful career. The celebration taking the nature of a reception by Wor. Bro. and Mrs. O. C. James and the D.D.G.M. and Mrs. Dunlop, after which, all repaired to the banquet room where a very sumptuous

repast was partaken of by the brethren and their wives. A large number of visiting brethren being present. The musical programme was very elaborate interspersed by addresses, all of which, were of a reminiscent nature enumerating many incidents that had occurred in this neighborhood.

May 4th. Visited Rehoboam Lodge, No. 65. Was greeted by a large attendance, not only members of this grand old lodge, but most of the ruling masters and their wardens of the 11B district. The first degree was most impressively exemplified by Wor. Bro. Chas. Bulley and his officers. The musical portion being strikingly good. An atmosphere of true Masonry, prevades this lodge and is reflected in all of its work. The refreshment hour was pleasantly spend and brought to a close a very profitable and interesting evening.

May 8th. Paid my official visit to Robertson Lodge No. 292, King. As the brethren purpose building a new lodge room which they expect to dedicate late in the summer, did not invite the local lodges to participate, reserving that for the Dedicatory service. Wor. Bro. Ralph Burns with his officers exemplified the first degree, showing careful and impressive rendition. This lodge is to be congratulated on its enterprise having felt for some time it was necessary to improve conditions they secured a piece of property suitably situated and with a commodious lodge room, Robertson will be better equipped and in a better position to exemplify the work than has been the case in past years. This lodge is to be commended for its having entered on so commendable a project.

May 9th. Visited Sharon Lodge, No. 97, Queensville. Through the courtesy of Wor. Bro. C. H. Wilson placing a car on the Metropolitan Railway, at our disposal, a number of Brethren along the line availed themselves of this privilege, augmenting my escort considerably. The work of the evening being the first degree, which was exemplified by Wor. Bro. Frank Tate and his officers in a satisfactory manner, showing care in the preparation of the degree. Some helpful remarks by the D.D.G.M. were well received and no doubt, will be acted on. A splendid supper followed. After the good things were partaken of, speech and song followed bringing to a close a very enjoyable evening.

May 12th. Visited Vaughan Lodge, No. 54, Maple, where I was accorded a very warm and hearty welcome. The Wor. Master Wilbert Cousins with his officers exemplified the first degree in a very capable and satisfactory manner. This lodge expects in the near future to enlarge and remodel their present quarters, which speaks well for the growth of Masonry in this district. Wor. Bro. Rev. S. R. Robinson, District Chaplain was present after being ill for some time and who has been greatly missed in my official visitations.

May 16th. I had the honor of instituting Golden Fleece Lodge, where I was received by a large number of past Grand Lodge officers, Ruling Masters, and the petitioners for the Dispensation, a large number of brethren, well wishers, for the new lodge's success were present. I was assisted by many R.W., V.W. and Wor. Brethren. The Wor. Master E. A. Stone, who is a capable master, and with the excellent staff of officers with which he is surrounded and the start made by this young lodge, no doubt rests in my mind but that Golden Fleece Lodge may be looked upon as one with a bright future before it.

May 18th. I attended Doric Lodge, No. 306 the occasion being the visit of the most Wor. Grand Master W. N. Ponton, who was received by the Wor. Master C. H. B. Johnston and the brethren of Doric in a very hearty and enthusiastic manner, making the visit a red letter day in the history of Doric Lodge.

May 22nd. I visited officially Oakwood Lodge, No. 553, where I received a hearty welcome from Wor. Bro. Maltby and the brethren of this lodge. The work of the evening being a first degree, which was exemplified in an entirely satisfactory manner. This lodge is making excellent progress under Wor. Bro. Maltby, who from his long experience in Masonic work, has directed Oakwood Lodge successfully during the year.

May 24th. I visited Palestine Lodge, No. 559, officially. Although Victoria day and a public holiday, the attendance was very large, owing to it also being the first visit of the M.W. Grand Master. At none of the visits of the Grand Master or his deputy has the welcome been more generous or hearty, or the words

of welcome been of a more felicitous nature, or given with a greater degree of genuineness. The work of the evening being an initiation. The Wor. Master and officers exemplified it in a faultless manner, After a very instructive and interesting address by the Grand Master and comments on the work by his deputy, all repaired to the banquet room where a sumptuous supper was partaken of. An able address by the M.W. Grand Master and other speakers, after which, an example of the working of a telephone exchange was exemplified on a working model, by officers of the Bell Telephone Company, a highly instructive and interesting feature.

May 31st. Accompanied the M.W. Grand Master Col. W. N. Ponton on a motor trip to Hamilton, the occasion being laying of the corner stone of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Cathedral on the site and incorporating part of that magnificent residence, "The Towers". With the new building Scottish Rite Free Masonry will have very complete and commodious quarters, it being felt for some time that larger and more adequate lodge accommodation was required. The M.W. Grand Master and Grand Lodge officers were afterwards tendered a banquet at the Hamilton Club.

June 7th. I visited Maple Leaf Lodge. The occasion being a visit from the M. W. the Grand Master, he was also accompanied by R.W. Bros. Geo. L. Gardiner, R. B. Dargavel and a number of past and present Grand Lodge officers. The night being set apart as Veteran's night, many of the returned veterans being present from the Military Hospitals. Afterwards accompanied the M.W. Grand Master and the ruling District Deputies to Ionic Lodge, where they were celebrating their seventy-fifth anniversary. Although late in reaching Ionic Lodge, the Wor. Master J. D. Spence and all present gave the M.W. the Grand Master a royal reception.

June 9th.—Grey Lodge.

June 19th.—Fairbank Lodge.

June 22nd.—North Gate Lodge.

These lodges working under Dispensation and applying for Warrants, I visited on the above dates for the third time to satisfy myself of their having the necessary furniture and the work progressing in a satisfactory

manner, to which, I can give my unqualified assent and recommend them to the Committee on Warrants as qualified to conduct the work of their Lodges by having complete equipment and qualified officers.

June 21st. Visited Antiquity Lodge unofficially, this being the last meeting before vacation. I was anxious to see the W.M. and officers perform their work, which was entirely satisfactory and learned that Antiquity was making steady and satisfactory progress.

June 23rd. Visited officially Golden Fleece Lodge. This lodge was instituted by me on May 16th, having held a meeting in the meantime. The W.M. Bro. A. E. Stone and his officers with a large attendance for so late a date in the season received me in a most cordial and gracious manner. A candidate being in readiness, the W.M. and officers performed the ceremony of initiation in a most proficient manner, each officer being well skilled. Among the many presents made to this young lodge, are two of outstanding interest to Masons, a volume of the Sacred Law dated some three hundred years ago in an excellent state of preservation, also a D. C. Wand of exquisite workmanship, emblematic of the name of the lodge. At the fourth degree seasonable refreshments were served, the usual loyal toasts honored and a very pleasant evening brought to a close in a seasonable hour.

June 24th. As per by-law and custom for many years, Richmond Lodge, No. 23, held its Installation of officers. I assisted R. W. Bro. W. H. Legge and R.W. Bro. H. A. Nicholls as installing officers, both P.D.D.G.M's., also several past masters assisting in the ceremony.

June 26th. Through illness of the Installing officer at Tuscan Lodge, No. 99, Newmarket, and having been advised of the situation, I was enabled to secure the services of R.W. Bro. W. H. Legge, P.D.D.G.M., who very willingly consented to perform the ceremony, which was done in his usual accurate impressive manner. I assisted in this.

June 27th. It has been the custom for Ashlar Lodge No. 247 to hold a meeting each year, at which the ruling masters of the northern part of the Toronto Centre

District 11b should be invited to occupy the several chairs and exemplify the work. Wor. Bro. T. K. Wade had not been able to arrange for this earlier, but even at this late date a splendid representation of the members of Ashlar and the country districts were present, and the evening might be termed an unqualified success, both in point of interest and exemplification of work. I would like to thank each W.M. and the brethren who accompanied him for having so generously assisted in making the evening a success. The following lodges were represented:

Malone Lodge, Sutton, No. 512.
Sharon Lodge, Queensville, No. 97.
Tuscan Lodge, Newmarket, No. 99
Rising Sun Lodge, Aurora, No. 129.
Simcoe Lodge, Bradford, No. 79.
Robertson Lodge, King, No. 292.
Union Lodge, Schomberg, No. 118.
Vaughan Lodge, Maple, No. 54.
Richmond Lodge, Richmond Hill, No. 23.
Patterson Lodge, Thornhill, No. 265.

Meetings such as these bring the outside lodges and the city into closer intimacy and show how the work is conducted, and the proficiency of the Masters. At the fourth degree, after refreshments, Wor. Bro. Rev. S. R. Robinson, District Chaplain, delivered a splendid address: subject, "Human Cussedness."

In conclusion, I wish to thank all who contributed to make each of the visits and the work of the year a success. It has materially lessened the official burden and given me pleasure and profit in the discharge of those duties.

Fraternally submitted,
JNO. H. DUNLOP, D.D.G.M.,
Toronto Centre District No. 11B.

ONTARIO DISTRICT, No. 12.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, the Officers,
and Members of the Grand Lodge of Canada, A. F.
and A. M. in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I beg to present herewith, my report on the Condition of Masonry in this district for this term.

Let me first express to the Lodges my most sincere appreciation of the honor they conferred upon me, by elevating me to the highest position possible in the District, that of the Representative of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master; and also let me assure you, Most Worshipful Sir, of the high esteem and regard in which you are held, throughout the whole district, as evidenced by the warm Masonic reception accorded me, as your representative.

During my term, and on official visits, it has been my endeavor, not to stress so much the business of Grand Lodge, as to its workings, etc. but rather to attempt, in my humble way, to awaken the feelings of the different lodges, along the line of Masonic Charity, and the opportunity for service in the different communities. It has seemed to me that we are losing sight, more or less, of the true Masonic reason for existence, and are allowing other organizations to get ahead of us in many of the works in which Masonry should be leading, hence, I took it that the opportunity was mine to lay before the members of every lodge in the District, my views along this line. It seemed to touch a responsive chord in the hearts of all, and will, I trust, have its effect as time goes on.

It was our privilege to have visits from the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, on two different occasions. His strong personality and wonderful addresses made a lasting impression on all his hearers, and was productive of much good. The District is truly indebted to him for giving so freely of his time and talents. He has promised to visit the lodges in the North of our district at an early opportunity, where his welcome will be warm, and his inspiration very valuable.

The work throughout the District is of a fairly uniform character, with the officers generally, well grounded in the Art. In some instances, without being specific, the work was as nearly perfect as it is possible to exemplify it while in the others, it showed a lack of practice, which is absolutely necessary to produce smooth and well delivered work. I would sincerely recommend that a lodge of instruction be held once every year, and that it be particularly impressed on the officers of each lodge, the necessity of their attendance thereat.

Following is list of my Official Visits, with the dates thereof.

Hope Lodge, No. 114, Port Hope, March 3rd.
 Durham, No. 66, Newcastle, March 7th.
 Orono, No. 325, Orono, March 9th.
 Havelock, No. 435, Havelock, March 13th.
 St. John's No. 17, Cobourg, March 14th.
 Ontario, No. 26, Port Hope, March 17th.
 Jerusalem, No. 31, Bowmanville, April 5th.
 J. B. Hall, No. 145, Millbrook, April 6th.
 Composite, No. 30, Whitby, April 7th.
 Lebanon, No. 139, Oshawa, April 11th.
 Cedar, No. 270, Oshawa, April 25th.
 Fidelity, No. 428, Port Perry, May 5th.
 Norwood, No. 223, Norwood, May 8th.
 Keene, No. 374, Keene, May 11th.
 Percy, No. 151, Warkworth, May 10th.
 Colborne, No. 91, Colborne, May 19th.
 Mount Zion, No. 39, Brooklin, June 14th.

In conclusion, let me again thank all the brethren for their many acts of kindness to me. The District Secretary, W. Bro. Arthur Mark, the Chaplain, Rev. Bro. Jas. A. Elliott, have been of great help, while the Past Masters of our two local lodges have given freely of their time in accompanying me on visits. New acquaintances have been made, and Friendships formed, which will last as long as memory holds.

Sincerely and fraternally,

J. T. GEORGE, D.D.G.M.,

Ontario District, No. 12.

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT No. 13

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren.

I have the honor to submit my report as D.D.G.M. of Prince Edward District No. 13, for 1921 and 1922.

First I desire to express my heartfelt gratitude to the brethren present at Grand Lodge meeting last year for electing me to this high and important position. The office was entirely unsought by me and the preferment by my brethren is therefore the more appreciated.

My first act was to appoint W. Bro. F. E. Leavitt as District Secretary and W. Bro. F. L. Barber as District Chaplain and I wish to express my sincere appreciation of the unselfish support I received from each of these W. Brethren. The District Chaplain accompanied me on nearly all my visits and by his able addresses did much to uphold the enthusiasm for Masonry which exists in every lodge in this district. I was extremely fortunate to have the most Worshipful the Grand Master present with me at four of my official visits and he was always received with that same hearty welcome which expresses the love and admiration the brethren have for him and their appreciation of the fact that he is a resident and Past Master of one of the lodges in this district.

Masonry in Prince Edward District is in a very flourishing condition. On my visit to the lodges I was received on each occasion by a very large attendance of members and visitors and the love of Masonry was every where manifested. The W.M. and officers of all the lodges are every one capable and enthusiastic in their work and the work done is in every case of the same high standard for which this district has always been noted.

Visits

On Sunday, Sept. 11, I attended Divine Service with Star in the East Lodge, Wellington. The Grand Master was present and on our return to the lodge room he gave us one of his inspiring talks.

Tweed, No. 239, Oct. 14. I made my first official visit to Tweed Lodge on above date. I was accompanied by the W.M. the Grand Master, the District Secretary and Chaplain. There were also present R.W. Bro. R. H. Spencer of Trenton as well as a large number of visitors from all neighboring lodges. The first degree was conferred in a very creditable manner by Bro. Porritt, a Past Master of the lodge, the candidate being his own son. The banquet was exceptionally good and the addresses of Grand Master and others were of a very high order.

Nov. 3rd. I visited unofficially Belleville lodge, No. 123. This was the occasion of a reception to the M.W. the Grand Master by the brethren of his own lodge. There were present besides the G.M., R.W. Bros. Logan, Grand Secretary, Herrington P.D.D.G.M. of 14th district, and R.W. Bros. Newton, Diamond, Clarke, Symons, Lazier and W. O. Adams of 13th district. The first degree was exceptionally well done by W.M. Bro Hume and his officers, the G.M. taking part in the work. This was followed by a delightful fourth degree when addresses of an inspiring nature were given by the Grand Lodge officers.

Consecon, Nov. 11, 1921. I visited this lodge on this date accompanied by District Chaplain. R.W. Bro. J. S. Shurie was also present as well as visitors from all surrounding lodges. The W.M. Bro. Locie had been very ill all summer, but was able to be present and opened and closed the lodge in the several degrees in a very creditable manner. This lodge has a good staff of officers and is doing good work. The fourth degree was exceptionally good and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Lake Lodge, Nov. 25th. I visited this lodge on date mentioned accompanied by M.W. the Grand Master and a large number of visitors from Belleville, Trenton, Picton, Wellington and other surrounding lodges. The lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees in a workmanlike manner. The banquet was on the usual sumptuous lines that this lodge is noted for. The secretary, W. Bro. Jas. E. Glenn, has been for over 50 years a good and faithful Mason and is a tower of strength to this lodge.

Eureka No. 283, Belleville, Feb. 16, 1922. I visited this lodge on above date and was received by a large attendance of members and several P.D.D.G.M. The W.M. was absent, he having been called to Toronto on important business. The first degree was exemplified in a first class manner by I.P.M. W. Bro. Walmsley assisted by several Past Masters. The banquet was good and music was furnished by a first class orchestra all of whom are members of this lodge.

The Belleville Lodge, Belleville, No. 123, March 1st. It was my pleasure to officially visit this lodge on the above date accompanied by the District Secretary and Chaplain. There were also present R. W. Bros. Clarke and Symons, P.D.D.G.M.

The first degree was put on with full musical ritual by the W.M. Bro. Schryver and his officers and was up to Prince Edward District Standard. There was an exceptionally large turnout of members and enthusiasm for Masonry was particularly apparent. This lodge is proud of the fact that one of its members is Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario. The refreshments, music and speeches during the fourth degree were all of high order.

United, No. 29, Brighton, March 7. I visited United Lodge accompanied by District Secretary and Chaplain. The W.M. the Grand Master was also present. The third degree was exemplified in the afternoon in a very satisfactory manner. This lodge is to be congratulated in having a large and enthusiastic choir whose rendering of the musical ritual makes the work much more impressive. In the evening a large banquet was held in the Town Hall at which the members accompanied by their ladies were all generously entertained. Addresses of a very high order were delivered by the Grand Master and others.

Prince Edward's No. 9, Picton. It was with a great deal of pleasure that I officially visited my Mother Lodge on March 9th accompanied by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master. The lodge was opened at 3-30 in the afternoon and the first degree was put on by W. M. Bro. Scott and his officers in the manner for which this lodge is noted. This was followed by a banquet in the

evening at which most magnificent addresses were given by the Grand Master and others.

Moira No. 11, Belleville, April 5. We were received by this lodge in a truly Masonic manner. There was an exceptionally large turnout of members and visitors including 6 P.D.D.G.Ms. among whom I was particularly pleased to see R.W. Bro. Col. S. S. Lazier, who was D.D.G.M. of this district in 1874. The third degree was put on by W. Bro. Swayne and his officers with the assistance of one of the best Masonic choirs it has ever been my good fortune to hear. At the banquet following the lodge meeting addresses were given by many eloquent brethren.

Trent, No. 38, Trenton, April 11. We were received on this occasion by a very large turnout of members and visitors. Among those present were the Secretary and Treasurer of the lodge, R.W. Bros. R. H. Spencer and W. J. Potts who have faithfully served their lodge for many years. The first degree was worked with musical ritual by W.M. Bro. McClung and his officers in an excellent manner. The Past Masters of this lodge are of great assistance to the officers. This lodge has recently purchased a desirable site upon which they intend to erect a Masonic Temple. The session of the lodge was followed by the usual banquet and speeches which were much enjoyed by all.

Golden Rule, No. 126, Campbellford, May 2nd. On our visit to this lodge we were introduced by R.W. Bro. O. C. Watson, P.D.D.G.M. There was a good attendance of members and the second degree was very efficiently worked by the W.M. and his officers. This lodge has many capable and faithful Past Masters but I wish to particularly mention W. Bro. Harris who has done and is doing much for Masonry in this district. After refreshments an enjoyable hour was spent in short addresses, etc.

Franck, No. 127, Frankford, May 8. Accompanied by several Past Masters from my Mother Lodge we visited Franck Lodge on May the 8th. We found a large turnout of members and visitors and a great interest was taken in the work. The first degree was exemplified in a very efficient manner by W. Bro. Sine and his officers.

After the close of the lodge there was a big fourth degree which was much enjoyed by all.

Madoc, No. 48, Madoc, May 9. We were received by this lodge in a right royal manner. There was a very large turnout of members and visitors from outside lodges. The lodge was opened in the several degrees after which we adjourned to the banquet hall where a delightful time was spent—the ladies being present.

Sterling, No. 69, Sterling, May 18. The evening of our visit to this lodge was a very stormy one but there was a large turnout of members. The first degree was exemplified in a particularly sharp and precise manner and the work reflects great credit on the part of the W.M. Lieut. Col. Vandewater and his officers. We were glad to again meet R.W. Bro. J. McC. Potts who has done so much good work for Masonry. A delightful banquet followed the work of the lodge.

Star in the East, No. 164, Wellington, May 23rd. It is always a pleasure to visit this lodge. They do good work and are noted for their hospitality. This visit was no exception. The first degree was worked by W. Bro. Ainsworth and his officers with full musical ritual. The banquet was up to the usual standard.

Marmora, No. 222, Marmora, June 5th. The third degree was worked by this lodge on the above date in a snappy and finished manner but with that reverence which should always be a part of this degree. This lodge had some of the most capable Past Masters in the district and they all take great interest in the lodge. I would particularly mention W. Bro. Riggs. The ladies were present at the banquet and an enjoyable evening was spent.

Craig, No. 401, Deseronto, June 6. We were received right royally by this lodge with a large attendance of members and visitors. The third degree was worked well and there is a very enthusiastic feeling for Masonry in the part of every member. We were delighted to have with us R.W. Bro. Craig after whom the lodge was named and W. Bro. Wright one of the stalwarts of Masonry in this district. A first class banquet was furnished after close of the lodge at which all enjoyed themselves.

Bancroft, No. 482, Bancroft, June 14. It was with a great deal of interest that we visited this lodge, situated as it is in the Northern part of Hastings County among the hills, forests, and mines. We found an exceptionally bright and lively lodge. They own their own lodge room and have it beautifully furnished. The third degree was put on in an exceptionally able manner. After the close of the lodge a banquet was held which was much enjoyed.

Lodge of Instruction

On June 21st, a lodge of instruction was held at Picton. The M.W. the Grand Master, several P.D.D. G.Ms. and over 300 members being present. There are 17 lodges in this district and 16 of them were represented at this meeting. I was assisted in the criticism of the several degrees by R.W. Bros. Symons and Potts to whom I wish to express my sincere thanks.

In conclusion let me again express to the officers and members of every lodge in the district my most sincere thanks for their hearty support and co-operation.

Fraternally submitted,

M. K. ADAMS, D.D.G.M.,
Prince Edward District, No. 13.

FRONTENAC DISTRICT No. 14.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honour herewith to submit my report on the condition of Masonry in District No. 14.

I desire to express to the brethren of the district both my deep appreciation of the honour they bestowed upon me in electing me to the office of District Deputy Grand Master and my gratitude for the courtesy, kindness and hospitality that has been shown me everywhere throughout the district.

My first official act was to appoint W. Bro. P. H. Rider as District Secretary and Bro. W. E. Kidd as District Chaplain, to whom I must express my appreciation for their services rendered during the year.

I found Masonry to be in a very flourishing condition throughout the district. Of the seventeen lodges all are active and the most recent ones added are making good progress as they are filling a long-felt want. A high standard of efficiency was observed in the manner in which officers of the lodges generally performed their duties and there was manifest the keenest enthusiasm among all.

On Friday, September 3rd, 1921, I instituted the Royal Edward Lodge, Kingston, and I was assisted by R. W. Bro. John Nicolle, V. W. Bros. John Smeaton and C. W. Crozier, W. Bros. W. Moore, R. Bunt, and Bros. W. E. Kidd and A. W. Cathcart. The Worshipful Master of this lodge is R. W. Bro. W. Jackson.

On October 17th, 1921, the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master W. N. Ponton, K. C., constituted and consecrated Queen's Lodge, No. 578, Kingston. He was assisted by many past District Deputy Grand Masters of this district. I was unable to be present on account of illness and R. W. Bro. John Nicolle installed the officers

At High Noon on December 27th, 1921, I installed the officers of the Ancient St. John's Lodge, No. 3,

Kingston, and in the evening I installed the officers of Cataraqui Lodge, No. 92, and Minden Lodge, No. 253, R.W. Bro. Shatford, Montreal, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Quebec, being present on that occasion and subsequently at a banquet when he delivered a very eloquent and inspiring address.

Official Visits.

The Ancient St. John's Lodge, No. 3, October 6th, 1921. This is my mother lodge. W. Bro. P. G. C. Campbell, W.M., and his officers conferred the first degree in a very able manner. This lodge possesses a fine orchestra and quartette and the degree work is rendered with full musical ritual.

Westport Lodge, No. 441, October 10th, 1921, W. Bro. F. A. Laidlaw conferred the third degree. The occasion was unique because of the presence of V.W. Bro. J. Gorrell, the first Worshipful Master of the lodge, and although eighty-six years of age he assisted in the work in a faultless manner. R.W. Bro. A. Gray and V.W. Bro. W. S. R. Murch were also present.

Simpson Lodge, Newboro, No. 157, October 11th, 1921. The first degree was conferred by the Worshipful Master, W. Bro. V. H. Young with W. Bro. J. B. Pinkerton assisting. V.W. Bro. Gorrell, Westport, was present. He was the first candidate initiated into this lodge.

Victoria Lodge, No. 299, Centerville, October 13th, 1921. W. Bro. W. S. Lockwood opened and closed the lodge in the three degrees. A Past Master's jewel was presented to W. Bro. F. C. Reid, R. W. Bros. Herrington, and Shannon, Napanee, R. W. Bro. A. B. Carscallen, Tamworth, and R. W. Bro. Longmore, Newburgh, were present.

Maple Leaf Lodge, No. 119, Bath, November 14th 1921. The third degree was conferred by the Worshipful Master, W. Bro. W. C. Loyst, in an excellent manner.

Prince Arthur Lodge, No. 228, Odessa, November 21st, 1921. The lodge room was crowded to such an extent that it was only possible for W. Bro. Babcock to open and close the lodge in the three degrees.

Cataraqui Lodge, No. 92, March 10th, 1922. The first degree was conferred by the Worshipful Master, W. Bro. J. Mercer, in a highly creditable manner. This is the largest lodge in the district, having over 450 members.

Queen's Lodge, No: 578, March 20th, 1922. The third degree was conferred by the Worshipful Master, W. Bro. W. T. Connell, in a most efficient manner. This lodge has a very bright future as it is filling an important place in Masonry.

Union Lodge, No. 9, April 9th, 1922. The third degree was conferred by W. Bro. O. S. Reddick, W.M., in a splendid manner.

Minden Lodge, No. 263, April 18th, 1922. The second degree was conferred by W. Bro. Charles Higgins whose work is unsurpassed.

Leeds Lodge, No. 201, Gananoque, April 25th, 1922. This lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees by the Wor. Master., W. Bro. A. Knight.

Royal Edward Lodge, U.D., April 28th, 1922. The first degree was conferred by the Wor. Master, R. W. Bro. W. Jackson, in a very able manner. This is the infant lodge of the district.

Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 146, Newburgh, May 10th, 1922. The second degree was conferred by the Wor. Master., W. Bro. Cyrus Edgar, R. W. Bros. Bros. Longmore and Aylesworth being present.

Lorne Lodge, No. 404, Tamworth. The lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees by the Wor. Master. R. W. Bros. Carscallen and Longmore were present.

St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 497, Arden, May 17th, 1922. The lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees. There was a large attendance and a banquet was provided by the ladies.

Albion Lodge, No. 109, Harrowsmith, May 31st, 1922. The lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees by the Wor. Master, W. Bro. C. Gallagher. There was a very large attendance, over thirty Past Masters from the different lodges being present.

Rideau Lodge, No. 467, Seeley's Bay, June 8th, 1922. The first degree was conferred and there was a very large attendance, R.W. Bro. W. C. Johnston, Lyndhurst, being present.

During the year the district sustained a very great loss in the death of R.W. Bro. A. Shaw who gave unstintingly of his time and ability for the advancement of Masonry. He was widely known and his death was the occasion for universal regret.

I have a sense of deep obligation to the Ancient St. John's Lodge orchestra and quartette for accompanying me on many of my official visits throughout the district; and I desire to take this opportunity to express my warm thanks to them, and also to R. W. Bro. John Nicolle for his kindly assistance.

Fraternally submitted,

PHILLIP H. BURKE, D.D.G.M.,
Frontenac District, No. 14.

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT No. 15

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to submit herewith my report of the condition of Masonry in St. Lawrence District, No. 15.

No. 5 and 368, Sussex, and Salem Lodges, Brockville. I visited these two lodges jointly on May 8th, the Degree work being performed partially by the officers of Sussex Lodge, and then completed by the officers of Salem Lodge. The officers of each lodge know their work well, and exemplify it well and impressively. The books of each lodge are well and neatly kept, also finances of both lodges are in healthy condition. These lodges have purchased a property, which, after remodeling will be one of the finest lodge properties in Eastern Ontario.

No. 14, True Britons Lodge, Perth. I visited this lodge on its regular meeting night in May, I found the Master prompt in opening his lodge, and energetic in conducting the business part of the meeting. A degree was conferred in a very smart and snappy manner, yet most impressively. Each Officer showing that he knew his work well, and at the same time impressing the candidate with the depth of meaning, and solemnity of every part of the work. The lodge room, and furnishings are neat and tasty, and kept spotlessly clean. Books are very neatly kept, and finances are in good condition. The prospects of Masonry in this lodge are bright.

No. 24, and 489, St. Francis and Osiris Lodges, Smiths Falls. At my request these lodges met jointly on Friday May 12th, the regular meeting night of Osiris Lodge. I greatly appreciate the courtesy thus accorded me, the lodge room being rather small, for a joint meeting of two such lodges. Degree work was exemplified in a very creditable manner, considering the handicap of the crowded condition of the room, would say that the officers did their work splendidly. An orchestra assisted in lending an interest, as well as a solemnity to the work. The

books of both lodges are well kept, and finances in good shape.

No. 28, Mount Zion Lodge, Kemptville. I visited this lodge on its regular meeting night in May, the Degree was exemplified in good form, and the business transacted with despatch. The books are in good shape, and the finances in healthy condition. The prospects of this lodge are bright.

No. 74, St. James Lodge, South Augusta. I visited this lodge on regular meeting in May, and found the officers and members, enthusiastic Masons. The lodge room is neat and clean. The books were in satisfactory condition, as also are the finances of the lodge. Degree work was exemplified in good form, the Master's work being particularly impressive.

No. 110, Central Lodge, Prescott. This is my mother lodge, and was officially visited April 25th, and I was very fortunate in having with me the M.W. The Grand Master. The First Degree was exemplified in very this lodge, and the lodge is making good progress, and prospects are bright. Special mention should be made of the work of the secretary of this lodge, Bro. C. H. Ranson. Dues are payable in advance in this lodge, and the secretary's book which are models of neatness, show not a single member in arrears for dues. During the exemplification of the Degree Work, the W.M. the Grand Master, delivered the charge to the candidate in the North East Angle. This was the most impressively given charge I have ever had the privilege and pleasure of hearing delivered in a lodge room. The Grand Master gave a very instructive and pleasing address, both in the lodge room and at the banquet which followed. The Officers of nine of the surrounding lodges, including two lodges from Ogdensburg, N.Y., were invited to the meeting, to meet the Grand Master, and all felt that we had derived great profit and pleasure from the words of wisdom from the M.W. the Grand Master.

During the evening the M.W. the Grand Master, presented on behalf of Central Lodge, a D.D.G.M. Jewel to me, which I assure you was very much appreciated by me. He, also on behalf of the Past Masters of Central Lodge, presented to Wor. Bro. Tyner (who has been a very active member of this lodge for nearly 50 years) a Past Master's jewel.

No. 370, Harmony Lodge, Delta. My first official visi was paid to this lodge at their regular meeting in October. This is the mother lodge of my predecessor, in this office, R.W. Bro. Johnson, and I was accompanied to this meeting by R.W. Bro. Hicks. The weather was very unfavorable, with the result that the attendance was small, several of the officers being absent. The degree work was exemplified in only a fair manner, but under the conditions, I feel it would be unfair to criticise, as I under stand that the work is creditably done under normal conditions. The books, and finances of the lodge are in good condition, and the lodge is apparently prospering.

No. 389, Crystal Fountain Lodge, North Augusta. I visited this lodge at the regular meeting in June. The degree work exemplified was all that could be desired. The officers all know their work, and do it in an impressive manner. This lodge is just completing a new Masonic Hall which, when completed, will be one of the finest rural Masonic Halls in Eastern Ontario. The officers and members are enthusiastic and Masonry should prosper within their jurisdiction. Their books, and finances are in good condition.

No. 416, Lyn Lodge, Lyn. I visited this lodge on their regular meeting night in June, the business was conducted with despatch, and the degree work was perfectly exemplified, every officer doing his part well. Books and finances in good condition, Lodge room neat and clean, and prospects good.

No. 556 Nation Lodge, Spencerville. This is the youngest lodge in the district, having been organized two years ago. I paid my official visit to this Lodge on

their regular meeting night in May. The degree work was beautifully exemplified. The officers and members are very enthusiastic. The books are well and neatly kept. This lodge has built a new Masonic Hall, which is well arranged and neatly furnished. The building is valued at \$8,000.00 and although carrying a small mortgage, I would consider the lodge in very promising financial condition.

No. 85, Rising Sun Lodge, Athens. This lodge was officially visited for me in May by R.W. Bro. Knapp, who reports the lodge in flourishing condition, having efficient and enthusiastic officers, books and finances in good condition, and prospects good.

No. 504, Otter Lodge, Lombardy. This lodge was officially visited for me by R.W. Bro. Hicks, who also officiated for me at Merrickville, and reports to me as follows:

"I visited Otter Lodge at their regular meeting in May, and received a very cordial and kindly reception on your behalf. I found the lodge room and surroundings very neat and clean, and all in good order. The books are being well kept, and a nice balance is now in the bank. Two third Degrees were conferred in a very impressive manner, but owing to the non-attendance of the two Wardens, these chairs were occupied by two Past Masters. A number of Past Masters from Smiths Falls, and Perth were present, and a very profitable, and enjoyable evening was spent."

No. 55, Merrickville Lodge, Merrickville. "I visited Merrickville Lodge at their regular meeting in June when a large number of brethren received me very cordially on your behalf. The third degree was conferred in a very able and impressive manner, and the officers all have the work well in hand. The books are very neatly kept, and everything about the lodge leads one to feel that Masonry is in a good healthy condition around here. The interest taken by Past Grand Lodge Officers, and Past Masters is a great help, and a great incentive to the Junior Officers to take an interest in the work. It is a great pleasure to visit Merrickville."

R.W. Bro. Brown represented me at Macoy Lodge, and also at Lansdowne Lodge, and reports as follows:

No. 242, Macoy Lodge, Mallorytown. "I visited this lodge on June 5th. The lodge is well officered and is doing excellent work, and while there was no Degree work I know that this lodge always does excellent work."

No. 387, Lansdowne Lodge, Lansdowne. "I visited this lodge on June 8th. The lodge is in good circumstances doing good work, and enjoying prosperity. First Degree was conferred in which the Master and his Officers showed themselves proficient in Masonic work."

I regret exceedingly that owing to ill health, I was unable to personally visit all the lodges in the district, but I wish to publicly express my appreciation of the truly Masonic spirit shown me by the P.D.D.G.M.'s of this district in coming to my assistance, as no less than six R.W. Brothers volunteered their services, and while I availed myself of the assistance of only three, i.e. R.W. Bros. Knapp, Hicks, and Brown, who at considerable inconvenience to themselves visited lodges for me, I appreciate none the less the kindly Masonic spirit shown by all.

In all lodges visited, I exemplified all the secret work and signs of the Degrees, in which the lodge was open, and where not opened in Second or Third Degrees, I took the Master and his Wardens to the preparation room, and there exemplified the work. I have endeavored to have the work uniform in all the lodges, in this District, and believe I have succeeded. Where little innovations were practised, I have asked for discontinuance of same, and now, I think the work is uniform throughout the seventeen lodges in this district.

In each lodge I have urged the brethren to live up to the high moral standard inculcated in the various charges, there by building up a higher, and better citizenship.

I also spoke in each lodge on "The use, and abuse of the ballot," apparently, this was timely, as I have since had admissions from brethren of three different lodges, that they had been guilty of the abuse of the privilege.

I feel that here, at least, I have accomplished something which which amply repays me for any effort or energy expended.

In closing, I must thank the members of all the lodges in the District for their courtesy and kindness to me together with their lavish entertainment.

I also wish to express my thanks to Bro. C. H. Ranson, Secretary of Central Lodge for valuable assistance cheerfully rendered in connection with correspondence.

And now in vacating the office entrusted to me for the past year, I feel sure I can bespeak for my successor the same kindness and courtesy which has been extended to me by every lodge in the District.

All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted.

J. A. FLEMING, D.D.G.M.,
St. Lawrence District, No. 15.

OTTAWA DISTRICT No. 16.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario. :

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honour to present herewith my report on the condition of Masonry in Ottawa District for the year ending June 24th, 1922. I assumed the office as representative of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master in Ottawa District with considerable diffidence lest I should not be able to measure up to the high standard of my predecessors, but guided by the wise counsel of many of the skilled and proficient Rt. Wor. Brethren who have graced this office in the near past, I have realized my fondest hope, that of claiming for Ottawa District a year unprecedented in the past for the promotion of the true spirit of Masonry. Too much praise cannot be accorded the loyal officers and brethren of the various lodges throughout the District, who worked so faithfully during the year particularly those of the City of Ottawa and of my own home lodge, Mississippi, Almonte. Especially am I indebted to Rt. Wor. Bro. E. S. MacPhail my immediate predecessor in office who accompanied me on nearly all of my official visits tendering me the benefits of his wisdom and experience.

I have officially visited each lodge in the District once and many of them twice. I find the work is of a uniform and satisfactory character, while many of the lodges have reached such a state of perfection that there is little to which the most exacting might object. Although the routine work of the various lodges is so praiseworthy I feel there is still not enough attention paid to the explanation and enlightenment of the brethren of what masonry stands for and its application to everyday life. This condition is in no sense peculiar to Ottawa District, but is to be found in all lodges and will continue to be found while this great influx of candidates monopolises so much time of the Master and his officers. I would suggest that where possible, lodges give a little more attention to this and arrange for occasional instruction from some qualified brother on the broader and richer meaning of our science.

During the year, two new lodges have been instituted in Ottawa, Defenders, U.D. Oct. 13th, 1921, and Rideau, U.D., January 12th, 1922, both of which have proven to be very valuable assets to our District. This now makes a total of 28 lodges in Ottawa District and consequently the question of redistribution or division has been raised. This question has been discussed in almost all the lodges in the District, but no satisfactory conclusion has been reached. Personally I am not desirous of having the District divided though cognizant of the fact that the size makes serious demands upon the time of the D.D.G.M. In its unity we have an interest and a strength which I believe would be impaired by its division. One of my greatest endeavours during the year was to promote a broader acquaintance between the brethren of the country and city lodges and thereby promulgate the fraternal spirit which our institution stands for.

The secretarial work of the various lodges is evidently in good hands, many of the lodges being fortunate enough to have a Past Master for their secretary. In every case I have found the books of the lodge in good order and all returns promptly submitted to Grand Lodge. Several of the lodges have acquired fire protection for their records, but there are still many whose books and records are exposed to elimination by this destructive element. I believe if the brethren realized what a handicap it would be to have the original records destroyed they would take the proper precautions immediately.

I am pleased to state that on every occasion of my official visit, the Wor. Master was present and occupied the chair, and with two exceptions, did all his work. They also appeared to realize the honour does not consist in merely occupying the Chair in the East, but rather in meriting the office by the faithful performance of its duties. That by themselves having a firm grip upon the work they were in a position to expect the same duty from the subordinate officers.

In conclusion I wish to state that I have tried hard to perform the duties of my office to the satisfaction of the brethren who bestowed upon me this great honour. The office has brought to me a wealth of good fellowship

which otherwise might not have come. I shall carry away from it an indelible impression of pleasant associations and valued friendships which have more than compensated me for such weak efforts as I have been able to contribute to the work of the D.D.G.M. In bestowing this favour upon me you have done me a signal honour. In giving me your united support during the period of my term of office you have placed me under further obligation. I acknowledge fully my indebtedness to the brethren of Ottawa District and bespeak for my successor the same consideration, the same courtesy, zeal and brotherly love that has been mine. I can wish him nothing better.

M. R. MACFARLANE, D.D.G.M.,

Ottawa District No. 16.

Institutions.

On Oct. 13th pursuant to the dispensation granted by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master I instituted Defenders Lodge, Ottawa. I was assisted by R. W. Bro. E. S. MacPhail, Rt. Wor. Bro. Walter Ross, Rt. Wor. Bro. C. W. Jeffery, Wor. Bro. Alex. Ross, Wor. Bro. E. W. Oliver, and Bro. J. D. McCrae. This Lodge started under most favourable auspices, having many enthusiastic and experienced Masons as charter members, Wor. Bro. W. C. N. Marriot was chosen Wor. Master, R. O. Wheatley, Junior Warden, and R. M. Stewart, Senior Warden. The junior offices are well manned and I feel certain that Defenders Lodge has a bright future.

On January 12th, 1922, the Grand Master having issued a dispensation I instituted Rideau Lodge. Rt. Wor. Bro. C. W. Jeffery, Rt. Wor. Bro. E. S. MacPhail, Rt. Wor. Bro. H. P. MacDonnell, and Wor. Bro. E. W. Oliver assisted in the ceremony. This lodge has made an excellent start having 68 Masons on the petition and 15 applications for membership read at the first meeting. A unique experience was that the first application for initiation was the son of the Worshipful Master, Wor. Bro. C. F. Winter; Bro. Rev. R. Jefferson was chosen Senior Warden, Bro. F. W. Utton, Junior Warden. Judging by the start of this lodge its success is assured.

Official Visits.

Enterprise Lodge, No. 516 Beachburg, Oct. 3rd. I began my official visits on this date when I visited Enterprise Lodge Beachburg accompanied by Bros. Geo. Gemmill and Eric Blackwell. The E. A. Degree was exemplified in a proficient manner by I. P. M. Jas A. Barr. A banquet of unusual dimensions was served in the Town Hall. This lodge has a very valuable member in the person of their secretary Bro. P. C. Creegan.

St. Johns Lodge, No. 63, Carleton Place, Oct. 14th. Accompanied by fifteen brethren of my home lodge, I visited this lodge Oct. 14th. The work was very well done by Wor. Bro. McEwen and his officers exemplifying the M.M. degree. The officers are all young men and have imbued this lodge with a healthy activity. I regretted the absence of Rt. Wor. Bro. D. H. McIntosh without whose presence the lodge seemed to lack its proper atmosphere. Their lodge rooms, reading room and recreation room, might justly be held up as a standard for any other lodge in the district.

Evergreen Lodge, No. 209, Lanark, Oct. 18th. I visited this lodge on this date accompanied by twenty-seven Almonte and Carleton Place brethren. While the degree work was very well done by Wor. Bro. Fair, some of the junior officers lacked proficiency more particularly the Inner Guard who does not seem to realize the responsibility of his office. The secretary is in possession of the first minutes of their meetings 1868 and the resolutions passed by the brethren in those days displayed extremely high ideals. This lodge owes a great measure of its success to Wor. Bro. C. M. Forbes.

Chaudiere Lodge, No. 264, Ottawa. I visited this lodge Oct. 25th. I was supported by many P.D.D.G.M. brethren whose presence was a great assistance to me since this was my first official visit to a city lodge. The First Degree was perfectly worked by Wor. Bro. Peterkin and his officers. At the conclusion of the work, at the request of the W. M. I had the honour of presenting I. P. M. Wor. Bro. Henham with a Past Masters jewel. In the banquet hall a very inspiring address was delivered by Bro. Rev. R. B. Whyte on Masonry and the Empire.

Renfrew Lodge, No. 122, Renfrew. This lodge was visited Nov. 7th, when I was accompanied by several members of my own lodge. Wor. Bro. Jas. McN. Austin worked the first degree in a most efficient and impressive manner deserving of the highest praise. The membership of this lodge impressed me as being of a very high standard. I would wish to mention especially Wor. Bro. Hugh McDonald the excellent secretary of this lodge under whose guidance the affairs of the lodge are in such splendid shape. Rt. Wor. Bro. David Barr was present, although well past the four score mark the reminiscent speech he made being one of the most interesting of the evening.

Lodge of Fidelity, No. 231. On Nov. 15th I made my official visit to this lodge accompanied by 43 brethren of my home lodge, Mississippi Lodge, Almonte, and many P.D.D.G.M's., and Grand Lodge officers. There was a very large attendance the lodge room being filled to capacity. I was enthusiastically received with my large deputation by the Wor. Master and brethren. Wor. Bro. H. M. Butler worked the first degree in an ideal manner every officer being an expert. I had the honour to present Col. H. V. Rorke, I.P.M. with a Past Master's jewel to which he made a clever response. This lodge seems to have the true Masonic spirit predominating and possesses the faculty of imparting it to every brother with whom they come in contact. At the banquet which followed excellent addresses were given by Bros. J. D. McCrae and R. B. Whyte and Capt. Waddington.

Builders Lodge, No. 177, Ottawa. I had the pleasure of visiting this lodge Dec. 9th, accompanied by a very large deputation of P.D.D.G.M's. and Grand Lodge officers. Wor. Bro. R. E. Cook, W.M. worked the First Degree in a very dignified manner. He was supported by a staff of officers of more than ordinary promise. Wor. Bro. Rollins, I.P.M., was presented with a Past Master's jewel. The brethren tendered us a splendid banquet at the close of the meeting.

St. Andrews Lodge, No. 500, Ottawa. Visited officially Dec. 30th. The evening's proceedings opened with an elaborate dinner in the banquet hall at 6.15 at which Rt. Wor. Bro. H. P. MacDonnell was presented

with a Grand Lodge regalia. Rt. Wor. Bro. MacDonnell is worthy of this honour of thoughtful consideration from St. Andrew's Lodge, as he is one of those genuine Masons whose influence is always at work for the welfare of the brethren. The greater part of the work of the First Degree was done by Past Masters which no doubt proves the value of faithful Past Masters, but really does not demonstrate what is desired on an official visit of this kind. There has been a little undesirable friction in this lodge, but I hope by the application of the virtues we profess to admire it may be amicably settled.

Madawaska Lodge, No. 196, Arnprior. I visited this lodge Jan. 9th accompanied by V. W. Bro. J. B. Ferguson of Ottawa and several brethren of my home lodge. Wor. Bro. C. N. Thompson worked the Third Degree in a decidedly impressive manner. Wor. Bro. Thompson has good support in the Past Masters, particularly Wor. Bro. Church. Bro. Henry Newham is the secretary of this lodge and his books are a sample of neatness and accuracy.

Dalhousie Lodge, No. 52, Ottawa. I visited this lodge on Jan. 16th, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Hon. R. H. Grant, who rendered me valuable assistance. The Wor. Master, Wor. Bro. G. C. Corrigan is the youngest master who has occupied the Chair in this lodge. He worked the first degree with more than ordinary ability. The delivery of the charge by Wor. Bro. J. T. Jackson was the most perfect I have ever heard. At the conclusion of the work, Wor. Bro. Hon. R. H. Grant made the presentation of a P.M. jewel to Wor. Bro. J. T. Jackson. In the banquet hall a wonderful address was delivered by Bro. Rev. Cannon Fitzgerald of Kingston. Short addresses were also given by Rt. Wor. Bro. A. Shaw, Kingston, Rt. Wor. Bro. Geo. S. May, and Rt. Wor. Bro. Hon. R. H. Grant.

Ashlar Lodge, No. 564, Ottawa. I visited this lodge on an emergent communication, Jan. 21st I was received in a very cordial manner by Wor. Bro. W. G. Esdale and the brethren. The work of the first degree was exemplified by the W.M. and his officers in a pleasing manner the work of the Wor. Master being particularly impressive. This is a young lodge making steady progress and gives promise of an enviable future.

Bro. Wesley McGaw gave a most interesting and eloquent address which was much appreciated by all present.

On April 26th the Masons of Ottawa City and Westboro entertained the Most Worshipful the Grand Master under the auspices of Ashlar Lodge. On this occasion the Most Worshipful Bro. W. N. Ponton was presented with a handsome silver tea service and illuminated address. His genial personality, his excellent counsel, and his wonderful addresses will long be prized by the brethren of Ottawa City and Westboro.

Mississippi Lodge, No. 147, Almonte. I made my official visit to this lodge on Feb. 3rd. It was with great pleasure that I looked forward to my visit to Mississippi Lodge as this is my home lodge. I was accompanied by a deputation of sixty, from Renfrew, Arnprior, Lanark and Ottawa, including many P.D.D.G.M's. and Grand Lodge officers. The first degree was worked by Wor. Bro. B. K. Gunn and his efficient staff of officers in a masterly manner, the Junior Warden's lecture being particularly worthy of mention. This lodge has the finest choir of any that I have visited in this district. A banquet was served in the Town Hall which was beautifully decorated for the occasion. Several good addresses were delivered, but the response to the toast "Canada," by Wor. Bro. C. M. Forbes, and one on the principles of Masonry by Wor. Bro. B. K. Gunn were masterpieces. I will never forget and will always cherish in my memory the reception tendered to me both in the Lodge room and in the banquet hall by the brethren of my mother lodge. I installed the officers of this lodge June 23rd.

Cobden Lodge, Cobden, Feb. 14th. It was somewhat of a surprise to me to see the magnificent home of the brethren of Cobden Lodge. It is a credit to a community the size of Cobden, and an evidence of the interest taken in Masonry in this town. I was accompanied on this visit by Wor. Bro. Conley and Wor. Bro. Jas. McN. Austin, of Renfrew and Bro. Geo. Gemmill of Almonte, who all tendered me splendid assistance. The work was fairly well done by Wor. Bro. Smith and his officers. A banquet which was one of more than ordinary interest was given in their banquet hall.

Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 371, Ottawa. I visited this lodge on this date. Wor. Bro. H. W. Nesbitt and his officers worked the First Degree in a most creditable manner. At the conclusion of the work P.D.D.G.M. Rt. Wor. Bro. E. S. MacPhail presented Wor. Bro. F. T. Gordon with a Past Master's jewel, and I.P.M. Wor. Bro. F. Burgess was presented with a Past Master's jewel by myself. A banquet was served in the banquet hall at which two masterly addresses were delivered by Bros. Fisher and McGaw.

Defenders Lodge, U.D. This lodge was visited March 1st, when I was accompanied by the largest deputation of Grand Lodge officers to date. The work of the first degree was beautifully exemplified in a perfect manner by Wor. Bro. W. C. N. Marriott and his officers. Much credit is due to the officers of this lodge, for the state of perfection they have attained in the short time they have been in existence. This is a military lodge composed in the first instance of men who have seen service, or are at present engaged in the work of administering military affairs. The officers and members are intensely enthusiastic and take a very keen interest in their work; the addition of military precision to the perfect rendering of the ritual gives promise of this lodge being a valuable asset to Ottawa District No. 16. A banquet and unique programme was given in the banquet hall after the conclusion of the work.

Pembroke Lodge, No. 128. I paid my official visit to this lodge, Mar. 2nd, and was received most cordially. Here I had the pleasure of seeing the Second degree exemplified by Wor. Bro. A. M. McLean and his officers. The work was well done and left little room for criticism, the musical ritual being splendidly presented. M.W. Bro. White having passed the fourscore milestone was present, as was also M.W. Bro. Burritt who acted as toast master at the banquet table.

Russell Lodge, No. 479, Russell. On Mar. 15th with Wor. Bro. H. H. W. Nesbitt and Wor. Bro. E. W. Oliver of Ottawa I visited Russell Lodge. Wor. Bro. H. Sheppard demonstrated his right to his title by cleverly exemplifying the Second Degree. Russell Lodge has an elegant home of their own, nicely appointed, and a

credit to such a young lodge. I was impressed with the enthusiasm and prosperous condition of the brethren.

Sidney Albert Luke Lodge, No. 558. On Mar. 22nd It was my pleasant duty to officially visit Sidney Albert Luke Lodge. I was accompanied by many Grand Lodge officers and received a most hearty welcome. This is a wonderful lodge and its members display that true spirit of Masonry which alone makes them worthy of appropriating the name of that much revered Grand Master who was the ideal of every mason in the province. Wor. Bro. D. Roy Kennedy presided and performed his work in a most excellent manner, conferring the First Degree faultlessly. At the close of the meeting in the lodge room a very dainty banquet was served in the banquet hall where a programme was furnished by the talent of the lodge.

Civil Service Lodge, No. 148. Visited this lodge Mar. 28th. The attendance was one of the largest. As is the usual custom the Master Mason Degree was exemplified by Wor. Bro. J. P. Cordukes and his officers, in a manner which would be exceedingly difficult to surpass. Throughout the district Civil Service Lodge has the reputation of being masters of this degree, and it is unfortunate that more of the outlying lodges have not the opportunity of seeing work done in this manner.

On Nov. 21st, Civil Service Lodge celebrated their Diamond Jubilee in the form of an "At Home." On this occasion Wor. Bro. Fred B. Burpee was presented with a magnificent basket of sixty chrysanthemums significant of the number of years that this lodge has been in existence. An interesting address on the history and workings of the lodge was delivered by Wor. Bro. J. G. Metz.

Doric Lodge, No. 58, Ottawa. I visited this lodge April 7th. This was an unusual visit. The many admirers and warm friends throughout the district of my predecessor Rt. Wor. Bro. E. S. MacPhail availed themselves of this opportunity of paying their respects to Rt. Wor. Bro. MacPhail, by accompanying me on my official visit to his mother lodge. It was really a district reunion as the lodges of Cobden, Renfrew, Arnprior, Almonte, Carleton Place, Carp, Russel, Richmond, Hazeldean, as well as the fourteen lodges in Ottawa and Westboro were all represented. We were enthusiastically

received by the officers and members of Doric Lodge. Wor. Bro. J. W. McNab, assisted by a capable staff of officers conferred the First Degree upon his own son. The work was the same high standard as is always done by Doric Lodge. The J. W.'s lecture, and the P. M.'s charge being outstanding features. The work of the secretary Wor. Bro. J. A. Ross is also worthy of special mention; his books are kept faultlessly as one would expect from so skilled a brother. In the banquet hall good addresses were delivered by Rt. Wor. Bro. Jeffery and Bro. Rev. J. D. McCrae.

Ionic Lodge, No. 526, Westboro. My visit to this lodge was on April 12th when the work of the First Degree was presented in a manner equal to any of the city lodges with whom it labours in common. Wor. Bro. P. E. Watters is a very competent master and performs his work with dignity and expression. The masons of Westboro contemplate having a new temple next year. To R. W. Bro. F. A. Heney is due the thriving condition of Masonry in this locality. The serving of refreshments and an address by Bro. H. H. Stevens of Vancouver, brought a very profitable and pleasant evening to a close.

Rideau Lodge U.D., Ottawa, April 20th. I instituted this lodge, Jan. 12th, 1922, when Wor. Bro. C. F. Winter was chosen the Worshipful Master. I made my official visit on April 20th when the Worshipful Master and his officers initiated a candidate in a perfect manner. The officers although only working three months under dispensation are well skilled in masonry and do excellent work. V.W. Bro. L. Ellis-Ingram, I.P.M., is a very valuable brother in this new lodge. In the banquet hall Bro. W. A. Griesbach, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., delivered an instructive address on important operations during the war. Grand Lodge will make no mistake in granting a charter to Rideau Lodge.

Acacia Lodge, No. 561, Westboro. Accompanied by Bro. Rev. J. D. McCrae and Bro. Jas. Carr of Almonte and Wor. Bro. C. M. Forbes of Lanark, I visited this lodge on April 28th. Wor. Bro. Mortimer N. Cummings received us very hospitably and showed by the

manner in which he worked the degree that he has been trained by well-skilled officers. This lodge has a remarkable membership of Past Grand Masters, and Past District Deputies. In the banquet hall Rt. Wor. Bro. A. P. Shatford, Deputy Grand Master under the Quebec register, delivered an inspiring address on the principles of Masonry. Another feature of the social hour in the banquet hall was the presentation of a beautiful mantel clock to Rt. Wor. Bro. D. A. MacEachern whose past efforts for Acacia Lodge made him more than worthy of this consideration from his brethren. They expect to have their new temple completed this year.

Carleton Lodge, No. 465, Carp. At an emergent meeting held May 19th, I visited this lodge, accompanied by twenty-two brethren of Mississippi Lodge, Almonte. The Second Degree was worked by Wor. Bro. Mulligan. This lodge still meets in the very unsuitable quarters they were permitted to occupy after their fire almost two years ago. I strongly urged them to press forward as quickly as possible to the completion of their new hall.

Goodwood Lodge, No. 159, Richmond West. On May 23rd Goodwood Lodge held an emergent meeting at which I paid my official visit. The First Degree was exemplified on a substitute candidate by the Wor. Master. Wor. Bro. W. J. Jefferson and his officers. This lodge has had a very lean year with candidates therefore the work was only fairly done. Goodwood Lodge has a magnificent little temple of its own, which is a credit to the brethren of Richmond West and the vicinity.

Hazeldean Lodge, No. 517. On June 7th accompanied by a deputation of about fifty brethren of Mississippi Lodge, Almonte, Carleton Lodge, Carp, Ottawa, and Westboro, I visited this Lodge. The work of the First Degree was well done by Wor. Bro. A. M. McCormick and his officers. The brethren of the lodge are very enthusiastic and the work is carried on harmoniously. This lodge is in splendid shape as is portrayed in the luxurious and comfortable home they own.

Corinthian Lodge, No. 476, North Gower, Ont. On June 9th I visited this Lodge. There was a large attendance of members and visitors, from Ottawa, and the surrounding lodges. The First Degree was well exemplified by Wor. Bro. R. A. Craig. The affairs of

Corinthian Lodge are in excellent shape very largely due to their efficient secretary Wor. Bro. J. H. Cryderman. At the banquet which followed Bro. Geo. Gemmill of Almonte, gave a splendid talk on the value of "Old Timers" to the lodge. I have only words of praise for this lodge.

Bonnechere Lodge, No. 433, Eganville. I had the pleasure of visiting this lodge June 12th accompanied by Bros. Scott and McIntyre of Almonte, and a large deputation from Renfrew, Pembroke and Cobden. The occasion was one of the memorable ones of the year for not only was the work perfectly done by Wor. Bro. S. N. Milligan, Wor. Master with the assistance of his officers, but the entire meeting was characterized by the enthusiasm of the brethren. The secretary Bro. Jas Reeves is a very capable officer. A splendid banquet was tendered the visitors in the banquet room in the Methodist Church where many splendid addresses were given. The atmosphere of this lodge is certainly charged with the spirit of fraternity and good will.

Finally, Brethren, this closes my record for the past. The present is with us—the future before us. We are making a new volume and pressing steadily ahead on the march to unending silence. Shall we not as the day hurries into evening, resolve that we will be ever more faithful in the future than we have been in the past? And may I ask you, my brethren of Ottawa District, to lay up among the records in the archives of your hearts, my love and affection for all of you, and may God's richest blessing be yours.

Fraternally submitted,

M. R. MACFARLANE, D.D.G.M.,
Ottawa District No. 16.

ALGOMA DISTRICT No. 17.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers, and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to submit herewith my report respecting Masonic progress and conditions in this District during the past Masonic year. In doing so I would first report certain features which are applicable to every lodge in the District.

1. I have found that the books and records are well kept; that the business in each lodge is well and promptly attended to; that the secretaries and treasurers—upon whom the success of the lodge so much depends—are faithful and painstaking in their respective duties.

2. I wish to congratulate the rank and file upon their selection of officers. I found the Masters, Wardens and junior officers well skilled in all cases where the work was demonstrated. In one instance where no work was demonstrated, I was familiar enough with both lodges to know that the government of the lodge is in the hands of trustworthy and capable officials.

3. It appears to me that the social side of Masonry is receiving more attention than formerly. While this is not the important phase of Masonry, it should not be neglected. For their several kind and courteous invitations to attend a number of these social functions, my sincere thanks are due to several lodges.

4. I would like to commend the lodges of the Twin Cities upon their development of the plan of having Masonic addresses at many of their meetings. The lodges of these cities are peculiarly fortunate, I believe, in having many Past Masters upon whom they can call for knowledge and instruction—real past masters in more than ritual. I would like to see every other lodge in the District make a serious effort to develop that knowledge of Masonry which is deeper than mere ritual.

5. I found that the work, generally speaking, was given with uniformity. Considering the great distances between many of the lodges and the consequent lack of

opportunity to visit, this was very remarkable, but I feel that it is due to persistent effort on the part of the Past Masters and to the careful and faithful instruction of my predecessors in office.

Kaministiquia Lodge, U.D. My first official duty was the Institution of this lodge on Monday, September 5th, 1921. I am very grateful for the assistance given me in this ceremony by R. W. Bros. Francis, Mills and other brethren who came to assist me in starting this lodge upon its career—a career which I am assured will be very successful. I was helped also by R. W. Bro. Bruce, Grand Chaplain. As the new lodge was under the charge of one who had already proved himself in Masonry and as he would have the assistance of several experienced Past Masters, I had no doubt of the success of this new venture.

My official visit to this lodge was made on Friday, Mar. 17th, 1922, an emergent meeting being arranged at my request. The third degree was conferred by R.W. Bro. Chamberlain, W.M., and his excellent staff of officers in a very efficient manner. The W.M. was ably assisted by R.W. Bro. Symes and W. Bro. Faulkener.

I cannot finish my report of this lodge without expressing my sincere thanks to the Junior Deacon, Bro. Boyle, who at my request exemplified the lecture of the first degree. His rendition of this lecture was not only pleasing but instructive.

Sioux Lookout, No. 518. My next official duty was the dedication of Sioux Lookout Lodge on Monday, December 12th, 1921. In addition to acknowledging my indebtedness to W. Bros. Walsh and Zurbrigg of Sioux Lookout Lodge, I must also thank R.W. Bro. Bruce, Grand Chaplain, and W. Bro. Coombes for their self sacrifice in making a long and tedious journey to assist me in this particular duty.

After the lodge had been dedicated, I made my official visit and witnessed the conferring of the second degree under the direction of the W. Master. The degree work was fairly well done, but it seemed to me that there were evidences of nervousness and I was convinced that at the regular meetings the work was done in a creditable manner. The fact that the ruling Master, W. Bro. W. T. Cameron, had been initiated and raised

in my mother lodge and that he had been my junior warden when his duties called him to his present location, gave me an additional personal interest in the work. At the close of my address, I had the honor and pleasure of presenting W. Bro. Zurbrigg with a Past Master's jewel, which I had been informed had been earned by the faithful and very successful performance of his duties as Master.

I cannot close my report of this lodge without congratulating the brethren of Sioux Lookout upon their lodge room. It is a large airy room, finished in good taste, furnished comfortably, I might even say luxuriously. A large banquetting hall in the basement affords opportunity to advance the social side of Masonry. I believe the brethren are availing themselves of their advantages in this respect. I am sure that the future of Masonry in Sioux Lookout is very bright.

Golden Star, No. 484. My official visit to Dryden was made on December 13th, 1921. I thank the Dryden brethren for the considerable trouble they took to assist me in reaching their town from the G.T.P. although a change in circumstances made it impossible for me to take advantage of their kindness. To Bro. Williams of Quibell, I owe much for his kindly assistance in taking me to Vermilion Bay. I was met by W. Bro. Taylor and was very soon made to feel perfectly at home.

My visit fell upon the night of the regular meeting and I watched the routine work of the lodge with interest. There was a quietness and earnestness in the manner of doing all the work of the lodge that strongly appealed to me. After this business had been transacted, W. Bro. Reid and his officers, and assisted by a Past Master raised a candidate in a manner that was to me very impressive. During the evening's discussions, I gave an opinion upon the matter of demits and dues, an opinion which I trust the brethren will verify or correct if they are advised by higher authority that I am wrong.

I wish to commend not only the work of the officers in general but especially that of the secretary who appealed to me as being very thorough and earnest in attention to his duties. I am also glad to note that the social side of Masonry is strongly in evidence in this community.

Pequonga No. 414, and Lake of the Woods, No. 445. A joint meeting of the two Kenora Lodges was arranged for my visit on December 14th, 1921, it being regular meeting and election of officers for Lake of the Woods Lodge and emergent for Pequonga.

I had looked forward with peculiar interest to my visit to the brethren on the Lake of the Woods, for I had already met many of them in fraternal visits at Kenora and Fort Frances. I had every reason to be pleased with the kindly warmth of my reception.

At this meeting the First Degree was exemplified by W. Bros. Holden and P. E. Baker with officers selected from both lodges. The work was well done, and its beauty and effectiveness much increased by the assistance of W. Bro. Carpenter who presided at the organ.

The election of officers in Lake of the Woods Lodge interested me considerably for I felt that I could judge more accurately the probable future of the lodge by such means than by observing the performance of ritualistic work. The intense interest taken in this election, and the enthusiasm displayed when the S. W. was elected by unanimous vote were evidences that masonry is vital among the brethren of this lodge.

I am glad to report that Pequonga is continuing its steady march in the path of progress. Faithful and persistent effort appears to be the guide of the members. If however there was one feature that pleased me more than all others, it was the great evidence of fraternal co-operation that existed among the brethren of the three lodges on the Lake of the Woods.

Keewatin, No. 417. My official visit to this lodge was made on December 15th, 1921 and it was also my fourth consecutive evening in a Masonic Lodge. It is rather unfortunate that the D.D.G.M. of this District must make his visits practically at one time, for at times even the best things in life will pall through surfeit. However the brethren of Keewatin and Kenora have a happy faculty of making one feel very much at home, and the time spent among them, not only in lodge but socially, was made to pass very pleasantly. W. Bro. Davidson, Rt. Wor. Bro. Cherry, and Bro. McCrimmon proved very genial hosts indeed.

My reception in the lodge was very warm and full of kindness. Bro. Sweet, a candidate for the second degree went through his examination well and was then duly passed by the W.M. and his staff in an excellent manner.

I felt however that the work was somewhat cramped owing to the smallness of the lodge room, which while it is cozy and comfortable, is I think really too small for the best work. I heard a suggestion that the brethren were working along this line and I hope that they will persist until they have succeeded. Might I throw out as a suggestion for this lodge and others who are not in their own premises, or who may require funds for improving the premises which they already own, that all initiation fees should be put into a "Capital Account" for building purposes only and the lodge carry on through dues, even if it should be necessary to raise them.

Once again I must commend the fraternal spirit of the Brethren of the Lake of the Woods, which was in evidence again at this meeting.

Ionic, No. 461. I made my official visit to the brethren of Rainy River on March 2nd, 1922, the night of their regular meeting, and found Masonic matters running smoothly. W. Bro. W. D. Douglass and his officers are laboring quietly but very earnestly to bring the lodge into its proper place and I sincerely believe that they are on the highroad to success. The secretary Bro. Jess is working patiently with his records and will I trust soon have them in splendid shape.

The attendance on the occasion of my visit was fair and all circumstances being considered satisfactory. A number of brethren from Osiris Lodge, No. 272, Beaudette, Minnesota, were present and expressed their appreciation and pleasure in being with us and watching our work.

After the usual business of the evening had been finished, the first degree was exemplified and I had very little criticism to offer. In fact the suggestions I made were not by way of criticism but rather in the methods of using available material when putting on the work, in order to make a better and more lasting impression on the candidate.

At the close of my short address I again had the pleasure and privilege of presenting a past-master's jewel to W. Bro. Mills. Many of the brethren of this lodge are railway men and find the railway man's usual difficulty of attending lodge regularly. They are however working faithfully and earnestly and I am sure a brighter future is before them.

Royal Lodge, No. 453 and Connaught Lodge, No. 511. A joint meeting of these two lodges was arranged March 20th, 1922, for the purpose of receiving me on my official visits at the Head of the Lakes.

There was no work arranged for this meeting. I have no fear however as to the capability of the officers in charge nor to the manner in which their duties are performed. This was the regular meeting night for Connaught and after the transaction of the routine business, I gave a short address. I regret to report the death of Bro. Alexander C. Elrick of Connaught Lodge who died on Sept. 10th, 1921, which was duly reported to me. I wish to thank W. Bros. McMillan and Gillespie and their officers and brethren for a very kind reception. I am also indebted to Royal Lodge for a kind invitation to be with them at their "At Home" on April 18th. In this case distance did not lend enchantment but extreme regret.

Shuniah Lodge, No. 287, and Port Arthur, No. 499. I was officially received by the brethren of Shuniah and Port Arthur Lodges at a joint emergent meeting held on Tuesday, March 21st, 1922. This, the largest (and certainly very beautiful) lodge room in this Masonic District, was crowded and I must certainly compliment the brethren of Port Arthur on their interest in Masonic Science. The first degree was exemplified in a manner that was worthy of the Mother Lodge of the District under the supervision of W. Bros. T. F. Milne and Jas Burden. I listened with great pleasure to the junior warden's lecture as given by Bro. Wink. Naturally I expected that excellent work would be done in this lodge when I

considered the beautiful surroundings and the additional and more important factor—the presence of those in whose lives Masonry has for many years been a vital force. After the degree work was completed I spoke for a short time to the brethren.

At the request of the Worshipful Master and brethren of Shuniah Lodge, I granted a dispensation for a Lodge of Instruction to be held at Schrieber on March 18 1922, but owing to an epidemic of small-pox it was found impossible to carry this through.

Fort William, No. 415. I was officially received by this lodge on the 22nd March, 1922, and was cordially welcomed by W. Bro. Burton and the officers and brethren. I anticipated great pleasure in my visit to this lodge for it was here that my first impressions of Masonry (beyond the portals of my mother lodge) were received. I had had, also, the pleasure of assisting to exemplify the Third Degree at a Lodge of Instruction held in this lodge early in the year. I knew therefore that the brethren, when they chose to demonstrate this degree for my special benefit, would be on their mettle and they certainly performed their allotted task with the utmost fidelity to ritual and the spirit.

I strongly advocate the employment of past masters in giving degree work but I would also strongly caution a master against calling upon anyone without previous warning. No matter how well the work is known, one must have the opportunity of refreshing his memory that he may the more easily adjust his mind to the candidate and existing conditions. I will not extend my report of this lodge any further except to state that it is in good hands. Any Master is fortunate indeed who receives his experience and training in the chair, with the assistance and advice of such past master. as are found in all the lodges of the Twin Cities.

Granite Lodge, No. 446. The progress of this, my mother lodge, has been very marked during the past year. It has grown numerically, materially, and I believe also in the true spirit of masonry.

The external evidence of this progress is seen in the new Masonic Building which has been erected through the efforts of the brethren of this lodge and their associates. The new lodge room has been furnished and decorated under the direction of Rt. Wor. Bro. C. J. Hollands and when the Most Worshipful the Grand Master asked me to dedicate the new lodge, I felt that it was only fitting that this Rt. Wor. Bro. should complete the work in which he had taken such great interest. Accordingly I asked, with the consent of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, that Rt. Wor. Bro. Hollands should dedicate this lodge, which with the assistance of brethren from Fort William and Port Arthur, was done on April 4th, 1922, in accordance with the ancient usages and customs of the craft. I take this opportunity of thanking the Worshipful Brethren of the Twin Cities and other places, who sacrificed time and money to assist us in this ceremony.

At one of the lodges which I visited in the Northern part of the District, reference was made to the situation of such lodges as "outposts" of Masonry. To give the brethren an idea of one particular phase of the duty of such an outpost, I would like to mention that at this particular meeting brethren from the following places registered: Toronto, Rainy River, Port Arthur, Fort William, Peterboro, Winnipeg, Keewatin, Sault Ste. Marie, Warroad, Minn., Philadelphia, Pa., Norwood,, N.Y., Thief River Falls, Minn., Virginia, Minn., La-grainge, Maine, Duluth, Minn., International Falls, Minn.

My official visit was made to this lodge on the 2nd May, 1922. No degree work was conferred, but I am able to report that the brethren can perform their duty in this respect in a creditable manner.

Before I close this report I must, in all justice, express my gratitude to W. Bro. Huffman of Granite Lodge whose presence with me on my visits to the Head of the Lake was of great assistance; to Rt. Wor. Bro. Bruce, Grand Chaplain, whose duties have entailed much sacrifice which he had made in true fraternal spirit; to my predecessors in office and other officers of Grand Lodge who have made my path easy and pleasant with kindly advice and assistance.

I wish also to make the following suggestions:—

1. That some of the lodges should give more attention to the visiting of the sick. Quite a number, in fact most of the lodges, make this a very special feature.

2. That the lodges outside the Twin Cities should each form a branch of the Past Master's Association.

Fraternally submitted,

J. W. WALKER, D.D.G.M.,
Algoma District, No. 17.

NIPISSING DISTRICT, No. 18

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor of submitting to you my report on Masonry in this 18th Masonic District of Nipissing, during the year 1921 and 1922.

At the outset I wish to express to the brethren of this District my sincere appreciation and my heartiest thanks in having elected me to the very important office of D.D.G.M., and although almost despairing of being able to visit any of the Lodges owing to a severe illness, it is with gratitude to the Great Architect of the Universe that I am able to report having been able to make one official visit to each Lodge in the District and wish to take this opportunity of expressing to the brethren of the different lodges throughout the District how greatly I feel under obligation to them for all the sympathy and kindness which they have extended to me throughout the year and on my official visits.

On my election to this office one of my first acts was to appoint Wor. Bro. Col. P. T. Rowland of Algoma Lodge, District Secretary, and Bro. Rev. Jos. E. Wilson, B.A., LL.B., of Keystone Lodge, District Chaplin.

It is with a spirit of gratitude that I am able to say that there has not been the slightest suggestion of discord, nor have I had any unpleasantness to adjudicate on or settle during the year, everything being harmonious and true brotherly love appearing to exist throughout.

On October the 29th I had the privilege and pleasure of instituting "National Lodge" at Capreol, a town of about 2,000 inhabitants and situate about 24 miles north of Sudbury and on the Can. Nat. Ry. I found the members here particularly enthusiastic, the resident members having purchased a property, the lower or first story of which they lease as a store and utilize the second floor for lodge purposes. A number of the brethren from Nickel Lodge were present and rendered valuable assistance in the Ceremony, especially would I mention Very Wor. Bro. Meldrum.

I made my first official visit of the year to Espanola Lodge on the second day of May, was introduced to the lodge by R. Wor. Bro. Le Baron Dibblee. The third degree was then exemplified by the Wor. Master and officers, assisted by the Past Masters, in a splendid manner. The craft at Espanola are to be congratulated on the very comfortable and well equipped quarters which they occupy, and the enthusiastic band of Masons residing there.

Visited Dymont Lodge, at Thessalon on Wednesday evening, May 4th, was introduced by Wor. Bro. R. C. Dobie, and had the pleasure of having with me R. Wor. Bro. J. B. Way, Wor. Bros. H. P. Broughton and T. S. Durham and Bro. A. Clarke of Keystone Lodge, through the kindness of Wor. Bro. Broughton. The Wor. Master assisted by the Past Masters and officers exemplified the Second Degree in a very creditable manner.

I had the great pleasure of visiting my home Lodge (Algoma) on Monday evening, May the 8th, was accompanied by Wor. Bros. Geo. Fisher and Col. P. T. Rowland; in consideration of my physical condition there was no degree work, but the Wor. Master, Wor. Bro. J. Dudley and officers opened and closed the lodge in the several Degrees and I may say that Wor. Bro. Dudley and his officers are well skilled and exemplify the work in an efficient and capable manner. The lodge is in a splendid condition. A matter of considerable appreciation and gratification to me with regard to Algoma Lodge is that of being the first member of the lodge and further on having been permitted by them to be the first D.D.G. M. from that lodge.

Visited Keystone Lodge on Tuesday evening, May 9th. This is the oldest and also the banner lodge in the 18th Masonic District, was accompanied by R. Wor. Bros. R. H. Knight, J. B. Way, W. J. Thompson and C. W. McCrea. The work of the evening was a third degree and was exemplified by the Wor. Master, Wor. Bro. C. H. Speer and his Officers, assisted by the Past Masters in the creditable manner one would expect from this splendid lodge, it being the pioneer of Masonry in this vicinity.

Visited National Lodge (U.D.) at Capreol on Tuesday evening, May 16th, was introduced by Very Wor.

Bro. A. D. Meldrum. The work of the evening was a third degree, which for a new lodge was surprisingly well exemplified by the Wor. Master, Wor. Bro. A. A. Cavanaugh and his Officers. Although this lodge has only been in existence some six months the officers have their work well up and I consider they are deserving of great praise for what they have accomplished.

Had the pleasure of visiting Nickel Lodge, Sudbury, on Wednesday, May 17th, and was accompanied by R. Wor. Bro. J. A. Orr and Very Wor. Bro. R. Dorsett. The work of the evening was a Third Degree, which was conferred by the Wor. Master Wor. Bro. Berlanquet and his officers in their usual excellent manner. I was exceedingly fortunate in that my visit happened on the "Chapleau" night of Nickel Lodge; a number of the Chapleau Brothers were present and a most enjoyable evening was spent in the banquet room after the lodge was closed.

Visited Mattawa Lodge, Mattawa, on the evening of May 25th, was accompanied on this visit by Wor. Bro. Alford, of Nipissing Lodge, North Bay, and am greatly indebted to this Wor. Bro. for his kindly assistance and companionship. There not being any candidate available for a degree the Wor. Mater Wor. Bro. H. H. Betts and his officers opened and closed the lodge in the several Degrees in a very creditable manner.

Had the pleasure of visiting Nipissing Lodge, North Bay, on Monday, May the 22nd, was accompanied by R. Wor. Bro. A. C. Rorabeck of Nipissing Lodge and R. Wor. Bro. Williams of Muskoka District No. 19. The work of the evening was a first degree which was conferred by the Wor. Master Wor. Bro. D. G. Stevens and his Officers in a splendid and efficient manner, Nipissing Lodge is one of the most progressive Lodges in the District, and has just reason to be proud of its very efficient secretary Wor. Bro. Dr. B. F. Nott, who in the face of an increase in the rate of dues has not one dollar of outstanding dues for the current year.

Enjoyed the pleasure of visiting Algonquin Lodge at Copper Cliff, Tuesday evening, May 23rd, and was introduced by Bro. Collins. No work being available for the evening the Wor. Master Wor. Bro. R. L. Moorhouse and his officers opened and closed the lodge in the

several Degrees in such a manner as to show they had their work well in hand. This lodge has been working under adverse circumstances during the past year owing to the International Nickel Company having ceased operations for a time.

Visited Peniwobikong Lodge at Blind River on Thursday evening, May 25th, was introduced by R. Wor. Bro. White. No candidate being available the Wor. Master Wor. Bro. Jos. Lidstone and his officers opened and closed the lodge in the several Degrees in a very satisfactory manner.

Visited Gore Bay Lodge, Gore Bay, Monday evening, June 5th. Bro. L. Chapman of Keystone Lodge, Sault Ste. Marie, accompanied me on this trip. Bro. Chapman is a prince of good fellows and I greatly appreciated his company and assistance, was introduced by R. Wor. Bro. A. E. Graham accompanied by Very Wor. Bro. R. Robinson. The work of the evening was a First Degree and was exemplified by the Wor. Master Wor. Bro. S. Clarke and his Officers in a very creditable manner.

Visited Doric Lodge, Little Current, Tuesday evening, June 6th, and am greatly indebted to Wor. Bro. J. H. Biehl, who very kindly drove R. Wor. Bro. Graham, Wor. Bro. Clarke, Bro. Chapman and myself from Gore Bay to Little Current, was accompanied to the lodge room and introduced by R. Wor. Bros. Le Baron Dibblee, of Espanola, A. E. Graham and Very Wor. Bro. R. Robinson of Gore Bay. There being no work for the evening the Wor. Master Wor. Bro. A. Putt, assisted by his officers opened and closed the lodge in the several Degrees in a very satisfactory manner.

Thursday evening, June 8th, I visited Sturgeon Falls Lodge, Sturgeon Falls, was introduced to the lodge by R. Wor. Bro. Rev. Charles Piercy. The work of the evening was a Second Degree and conferred by the Wor. Master Wor. Bro. Foley and his officers, assisted by the Past Masters in a very satisfactory manner. The lodge though working against difficulties has the satisfaction of owning their own quarters and having same free of debt.

I have found the books of the secretaries of the different lodges in the District for the most part in splendid condition, with the dues fairly well collected in, and all the lodges in fairly good circumstances in a financial way.

In conclusion must say the past year has had for me a great many pleasures notwithstanding my long illness. Everywhere a cordial welcome was tendered me, which will always remain as a pleasant memory to me. Of their banquets I can only say they were in every case excellent, and in surrendering my gavel of office to my successor I feel I am handing over to him a progressive and influential District and one in splendid condition and trust that he will receive the hearty support and good fellowship which has been so generously accorded to me.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

H. J. MOOREHOUSE, D.D.G.M.,
Nipissing District No. 18.

MUSKOKA DISTRICT No. 19

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honor to submit my report of Muskoka District No. 19 for the Masonic year just ended.

I wish, first, to express my gratitude to the brethren of this District for honoring me with the office of D.D.G.M. The hearty handshake of brotherhood was extended to me by one and all and I was led to realize more fully the fraternal spirit which exists in our district.

I was enabled to visit each of the lodges at least once, and some of them twice. On every occasion the interest and enthusiasm was very gratifying indeed. The brethren, both individually and as a lodge, did their utmost to make my visits pleasant in every way.

The general condition of Masonry in the District is excellent indeed, one of the most gratifying features being the fact that not only is the increase numerical, but the type of candidates received into the Lodges is of the best type of manhood in our land. Never before has Masonry desired such a type of manhood as it does now. From the candidate's standpoint they also will be greatly benefited, inasmuch as they will be taught to judge with candor, reprimand with mercy, and at all times sturdily stand by that which is square, level and upright.

I would suggest that our regular meetings be devoted more to Masonic instruction than heretofore. Let a Masonic subject be treated by one of the brethren each regular night, and more emergent meetings could be called for degree work, thereby eliminating late hours and unnecessary grind.

The faithfulness of the Past Masters and older members was very noticeable. Nothing encourages the officers of a lodge as much as the presence of a large number of brethren at the meetings. The lodge requires the presence of every brother at the meetings whether he takes part in the work or not.

In conclusion, I wish to record my appreciation of the valuable assistance rendered me by those brethren who so kindly accompanied me on the occasion of my official visits. This was indeed a great source of assistance to me.

The following is a list of my official visits:

Muskoka Lodge, Tues., Mar. 7, 1922; Corona Lodge, Mar. 13, 1922; Golden Rule, April 10, 1922; Algonquin Lodge, May 16, 1922; Unity Lodge, Mar. 8, 1922; Strong Lodge, Mar. 20, 1922; Powassan Lodge, April 14, 1922; Granite Lodge, May 17, 1922.

Fraternally submitted

TRUMAN J. WILLIAMS, D.D.G.M.,
Muskoka District No. 19

VICTORIA DISTRICT, No. 20

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, Officers and
Members of the Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M. of
Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

It is with great pleasure that I submit my report on the condition of Masonry in Victoria District, No. 20.

Allow me to express my sincere thanks to brethren of the district who conferred on me the honor of being District Deputy Grand Master; also to all past officers who assisted me on my several visits.

My first official act was to appoint Bro. Kenneth Wilson of Verulam Lodge, No. 268, District Secretary and Bro. Rev. J. M. Whyte, District Chaplin. Unfortunately Bro. Wilson was almost immediately removed to another town and was therefore unable to give me the assistance I know he would have been willing to do. Bro. Whyte accompanied me on several of my visits and gave valuable assistance.

I next was authorized by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master to dedicate Somerville Lodge, No. 451, Kinmount, on October 19th. The weather was very unpleasant, raining all day and night but I was delighted with the attendance. Some hundred or more were present. Allow me here to thank R. W. Bro. Townley, P.D.D.G.M. and Wor. Bro. Burgoyne and other Past Masters who assisted in making it a pleasant ceremony, also the ladies who prepared the banquet and programme which was enjoyed by all.

I paid a visit to Lindsay on May 22nd, instituting a new lodge "Gothic" U. D., P.D.D.G.M. Bro. J. B. Begg being the Wor. Master. They have started with very efficient officers and should help masonry in the district.

Official Visits

North Entrance	463	Haliburton	Feby. 16
Lorne	375	Omeme	Mar. 2
Faithful Brethren	77	Lindsay	Mar. 3
Arcadia	440	Minden	Mar. 10
Corinthian	101	Peterboro	Mar. 17

Somerville.....	451	Kinmount.....	Apr.	6
Peterboro.....	155	Peterboro	Apr.	7
Murray.....	408	Beaverton	Apr.	11
Spry.....	406	Fenelon Falls.....	Apr.	14
Victoria.....	398	Kirkfield	May	5
Harding.....	477	Woodville	May	8
King George	498	Coboconk	May	29
Royal Arthur.....	523	Peterboro	June	5
Clementi	313	Lakefield	June	6
Verulam	268	Bobcaygeon.....	June	9

I have made my report as brief as possible but cannot conclude without saying that I have found without exception a true Masonic spirit prevailing in every lodge in the district and I have drawn their attention to be careful in the selection of material. I wish to thank the brethren for the many acts of kindness and courtesy shown me which will ever, I hope, stimulate my love for the Craft.

Fraternally submitted,

A. E. BOTTUM, D.D.G.M.,
Victoria District, No. 20.

EASTERN DISTRICT, No. 21

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I have the honour to submit for your consideration my report on the condition of Masonry in Eastern District No. 21 for the Masonic year just closed.

I first wish to convey to the brethren of the district my appreciation of the high honour conferred on me and my Mother lodge in electing me to this important office and to thank the P.D.D.G. Masters of the district as well as many of the Past Masters throughout the district for assistance rendered from time to time in the discharge of my official duties.

My first official act was to appoint W. Bro. Arthur MacMillan, District secretary and Bro. Rev. R. J. Wilson, District Chaplain, the former being a P. M. of Avonmore Lodge No. 452, as well as a charter member of Finch Lodge, No. 557. I wish to thank both these brethren for their support and assistance so cheerfully given during my term of office.

The district as now constituted includes eighteen lodges, seventeen being warranted and one, Martintown, under dispensation, which I had the pleasure of instituting on March 2nd, 1922, under very favorable and most promising conditions, indeed, their furniture and regalia being everything that could be desired for the exemplification of the work and the comfort of the brethren, in this respect putting in the shade, as it were, the equipment of a good many of the older lodges of the district. I made my second visit to Martintown Lodge on May 18th, when the lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees and called off by the W.M. Bro. A. Grant Gordon and the work of the first degree exemplified to my satisfaction. So good was the work done and so much interest and enthusiasm shown by the subordinate officers that I have no hesitation in recommending their application for a warrant at the forthcoming session of Grand Lodge, believing that it will be in the interests of the Craft generally and Eastern District particularly

that their prayer for a warrant of Constitution be granted.

My visit to Cornwall Lodge, No. 125 was made the evening of the 27th April on the occasion of the dedication of the M.W. the Grand Master, Bro. W. N. Ponton of their new lodge rooms in the Coluquhoun Block, which have been elaborately and handsomely fitted up for Craft purposes, the change to larger and more commodious quarters being rendered necessary by the rapidly increasing membership of the lodge. There was a very large attendance of brethren from the various lodges of the district to welcome our Grand Master and the inspiring, practical and eloquent address he delivered called forth much applause and most favourable comment from the largest concourse of Masons probably yet held in this district. It was the consensus of opinion among those present that a pressing invitation should be extended the Grand Master to again visit our district in the near future when those members of the Craft, not present in Cornwall, would be accorded the privilege of meeting personally the head of the order in this province and listening to the words of wisdom and beauty that fall from his lips on the workings of the Craft, past, present and future. To hear the Grand Master is to know more about our great fraternity and cannot help but make truer and better Masons of us all.

Maxville Lodge, No. 418 has experienced considerable difficulty in getting suitable quarters in which to meet since the disastrous fire which visited their village on May 8th, 1921, and rendered them homeless with insufficient fire insurance to reasonably recoup their losses. Their difficulty has been overcome by the Grand Lodge granting them permission to meet, under certain restrictions, in the I.O.O.F. rooms until the meeting of Grand Lodge in July. This was a concession much appreciated by the Maxville brethren and they are putting forth a strong effort to provide themselves with quarters of their own in the near future. The report received from Maxville Lodge would indicate that no fire insurance is now carried on such furniture and regalia as they now possess. This I consider to be a mistake which should be rectified, without further delay by the officers of the lodge, and in this respect I think several of the lodges of the district could with safety considerably increase the amount of

fire insurance now carried, as the cost is but trivial compared with benefits to be derived. I do not purpose referring separately to each visitation made in my district. Suffice it to say that I visited officially every lodge in the district and with one or two exceptions where the work of the presiding officer would seem to indicate that the necessary time for proper preparation had not been put on the work I have no distinctive criticism to offer. The books of the lodges are generally well kept and reflect great credit on the work of the secretaries who, as a rule are past masters and still kept in harness where their services can be of so much value and benefit to their lodge. Peace, harmony and a real regard for the true Masonic spirit is generally evidenced, both among the affairs and the membership throughout Eastern District. In the exceptions indicated it would appear as though the Examining Board had been somewhat lax in the discharge of their duties as laid down in Clause 149 of the Constitution and in this connection it might not be amiss to point out to the brethren that a brother who displays no interest or enthusiasm in the discharge of his duties when in the subordinate offices very rarely if ever, makes a good and capable Worshipful Master.

On the occasion of my visits to Farrans Point and Williamsburg Lodge, V.W. Bro. J. R. Gorrell, P.G.S. of Westport Lodge, No. 441 was a visitor and at Williamsburg rendered valuable assistance to the W.M. in the exemplification of the Third Degree which was faultlessly done. At an advanced age he still takes an active interest in Masonry, his articulation and punctuation being especially good, bringing out the solemnities of the degree and making it far more impressive than is usually the case. A point to which most Masters should pay more attention when conferring degrees.

At Cardinal Lodge, R.W. Bro. J. A. Fleming, D.D. G.M. of St. Lawrence District, No. 15 was one of the visitors on the evening of my official visit and rendered valuable assistance in instructing the officers of the lodge in the work of the three degrees. I was pleased indeed to make the acquaintance of our R.W. brother from the neighboring district to the west and thoroughly enjoyed the masterly address he delivered during the fourth degree that followed in reply to the toast to "The Craft."

When I visited Finch Lodge I was the recipient of a beautiful and handsome Past Master's jewel, suitably and appropriately engraved, the remarks in connection therewith being made by Bro. Rev. R. J. Wilson and the presentation by Bro. H. K. MacLean, the lodge treasurer, on behalf of the members. I wish to thank my good brethren of Finch Lodge and assure them that I greatly appreciate this mark of esteem and appreciation of past services which to me have been so great a pleasure.

In all the lodges the usual fourth degree which has become a time honored part of our social functions was suitably and fittingly carried out, the addresses given thereat, being, in several cases, of an unusual high order, showing that much time and study, by some of the brethren at least, is being given to the work of Masonry in the various phases by which it strives to inculcate the ideas of true fraternity and brotherly love.

I would be doing a great injustice to my good friend and brother H. K. MacLean, treasurer of Finch Lodge if I did not herein note my appreciation of the many kindnesses and timely assistance he personally rendered me during my term of office. He accompanied me on all my official visits and his knowledge of road conditions in this Eastern section made our auto trips much more pleasant and agreeable than they might otherwise have been and saved many miles of unnecessary travel. His familiarity with the "Gaelic" language which is still spoken to a considerable extent in Glengarry County as well as in parts of Stormont and Prescott Counties assured us of a true "Highland" welcome in these sections of my district.

I cannot conclude my report without again referring to the many kindnesses shown me by the officers and brethren during my term of office as representative of the M.W. the Grand Master in this district. I have endeavored to discharge my duties to the best of my ability and wherein I may have failed or made mistakes you may rest assured, Brethren, they have been of the head and not of the heart.

Brethren, I am through, I thank you.

Fraternally submitted,

D. A. McNAUGHTON, D.D.G.M.,
Eastern District, No. 21.

TEMISKAMING DISTRICT No. 22

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and
Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of
Canada, in the Province of Ontario.:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

In submitting my report on the condition of Masonry in this District, I wish first of all to acknowledge the debt of gratitude I owe to the craft in Temiskaming for choosing me as its representative at Grand Lodge.

During my term of office I have visited every Lodge in the District in my official capacity and I would be remiss if I did not express the appreciation I feel for the courteous treatment I received on every hand; there was nothing left undone by the lodges in their efforts to show respect and loyalty to the Grand Lodge which I was privileged to represent.

My thanks are especially due to Wor. Bro. W. M. Widdifield, District Secretary, Rt. Wor. Bro. N. J. McAulay, Rt. Wor. Bro. C. W. Haentschel and Rt. Wor. Bro. Frank Todd, all of whom were untiring in their efforts to assist me.

The work of the secretaries of the various lodges was particularly gratifying and marked by the promptness that means efficiency and to them I tender my thanks.

I had the pleasure of installing and investing the offices of the following lodges:

Elk Lake Lodge, Elk Lake, October 14th, 1921.

Silver Lodge, Cobalt, December 5th, 1921.

Porcupine Lodge, South Porcupine, December 27th, 1921.

Abitibi Lodge, Iroquois Falls, January 20th, 1922.

The Installation ceremony at Abitibi Lodge was a most inspiring one as there were present on that occasion 42 Past Masters of whom 6 were Grand Lodge Officers.

On June the 1st I was instructed by the M. W. the Grand Master to dedicate the new Masonic Temple at

South Porcupine. The brethren of this lodge are to be congratulated for their progressiveness in acquiring such splendid accommodation and more particularly so when it is recalled that this is the second Temple they have erected. The present one being splendidly equipped.

I cannot speak too highly of the quality of work done in every lodge. It has been my privilege to visit lodges in many sections of the Grand Jurisdiction, and I owe it to the Officers of the Temiskaming Lodges to say that I have never seen better work than they are doing, not even in the big City Lodges. Every lodge but one uses the musical ritual. The work in all is done with an ease and dignity that is only possible where those rendering it are not only good ritualists, but are thoroughly imbued with the beauty and spirit of it's teachings.

Our lodges are keenly alive to their responsibilities as regards benevolence, and to their great credit be it said that they have pledged themselves to support the Temiskaming Children's Shelter at Haileybury and for this purpose have subscribed this year almost one thousand dollars.

Temiskaming District which has been aptly described as the "Treasure House of Canada" presents an opportunity for the Craft to leave the impress of its teachings on a section of our Province that is destined to play an important part in Canada's history—here everything is new and "in the making," here we have no older order of things to overthrow, and the men who are shaping its destinies to-day realize that they will, in great measure, be responsible for it's future—the Mines, Forests and Farms have attracted from all parts of the Dominion a hardy, virile, big hearted class of men, and from these are our Masons made, and one has only to meet them to know them, and knowing them, it is easily understood why Masonry thrives in this new land.

In summing up, I can only say that encouraging as the uniformly excellent work and healthy financial condition of the lodges are, still the spirit of brotherly love and helpfulness that prevails among us is, after all, the standard by which to judge our success, and my greatest satisfaction lies in the knowledge that, in this respect, our District is in an enviable position.

Lodges Visited.

Abitibi Lodge—Iroquois Falls, March 17th, 1922.

Porcupine Lodge,—South Porcupine, April 6th, 1922

Cochrane Lodge—Cochrane, April 14th, 1922.

Temiskaming Lodge—New Liskeard, April 20th,
1922.

Silver Lodge—Cobalt, May 1st, 1922.

Haileybury Lodge—Haileybury, May 4th, 1922.

Englehart Lodge—Englehart, May 8th, 1922.

Golden Beaver Lodge—Timmins, May 10th, 1922.

Elk Lake Lodge—Elk Lake, May 25th, 1922.

Fraternally submitted,

ROBT. LEHEUP, D.D.G.M.,

Temiskaming District, No. 22.

BRANT DISTRICT No. 23.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Brethren of the Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Herewith I submit my report on the condition of Masonry in Brant District, No. 23. My year as the representative of the Grand Master, has not only been one of great pleasure to myself but also a very real source of instruction and inspiration. My reception in every Lodge was most enthusiastic, and although in a few cases the weather man was not considerate, still very satisfactory numbers greeted me on all my visits, which I took to imply that the officials of the Craft were respected and honored as they should be.

In most cases work was exemplified by the various lodges and well done. The Worshipful Masters know the work and are ably assisted by capable Wardens and Deacons. I made it a point, frequently, to commend the Deacons and point out the very important part they play in conferring degrees, urging them to cultivate precision and inspire confidence in the candidate. I would also like to congratulate the various lodges on the bright and capable candidates who are being received. I took occasion to repeat the warning of Past Grand Master Harcourt regarding the great influx into the Order, but I am pleased to state that in no case has the work been so great that it could not properly be conferred.

I am also glad to state that in nearly every lodge the contributions to benevolence have been worth while, and I take this as an indicator of the spirit which prevails throughout the District. While this is essentially a rural District and the calls for relief are not so urgent as in a city still in various ways all have made some contribution to worthy causes. In the city of Brantford much was done to relieve distressed circumstances outside the Order.

I am glad also to say that the books of the various lodges are well kept, minutes are properly written in and signed by the presiding Master. The secretaries are in

most cases Past Masters and see to it that the amount of outstanding dues is relatively small.

Of course there were things to criticise. The lodges are made up of human beings liable to err; and I have refrained from criticism knowing that the critic is just as frail as his brethren. I have offered suggestions for improvement and hope that my addresses on the deeper things of Masonry will prove helpful to those brethren who have not given much thought to the unseen teachings of its philosophy. While I do not apologise for sermonizing somewhat on the great truths I feel one can not be too serious in setting forth the principles on which the Craft is built.

Herewith is a brief summary of the visits made.

Sept. 22nd. A district meeting was held at St. George to officially invest the D.D.G.M. with his regalia and incidentally to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the institution of St. George Lodge, No. 243. A very large number from the District were present, all the lodges except those at Hagersville, Waterford and Cayuga being represented. There were present also the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. W. M. Logan, and others from Hamilton, Toronto, Montreal and St. John, N.B. A feature of the evening was the presentation to the lodge of a fine picture of Grand Lodge of that year by Bro. W. Reid of the Barton Lodge, Hamilton. After investiture, adjournment was made to the Presbyterian church where a banquet was spread and a musical program, interspersed with addresses, was put on.

Oct. 6th. By special invitation, I accompanied Ozias Lodge to visit Alpha Lodge, Toronto. The Ozias officers conferred the First Degree and afterward were banquetted by the Alpha brethren. The chief event of the evening was the introduction of His Honor the Lieut.-Governor, Col. Harry Cockshutt to the Craft in Toronto. Rt. Wor. Bro. Drope, D.G.M. was present also.

Oct. 13th. I made my first official visit to Hiram Lodge, No. 319 Hagersville, accompanied by Wor. Bros. Scott, Hilliard and Bro. Walter Smith. There was a large attendance, many being present from Cayuga. The Wor. Master Wor. Bro. Smith exemplified the second degree very creditably. Lunch was served at the close.

Oct. 14th visited Onondaga Lodge, No. 519, accompanied by a large number of St. George brethren. There was also a large number of Brantford brethren present including R. W. Bro. G. A. Woodside, W. Bros. Dixon, Chapin, and Linscott and others and R. W. Bro. Jas. McGregor of Caledonia. The Fellowcraft Degree was exemplified by Wor. Bro. Simpson, and after closing down, the brethren met the ladies of the Onondaga brethren in the banquet room where a splendid supper was served. The usual toasts were proposed and responded to, Mrs. N. M. Simpson replying for the ladies in a neat address.

Oct. 24th. A large number of brethren and visitors welcomed me on my official visit to Scotland Lodge, No. 193. As the lodge room was too crowded to do any degree work I asked the Wor. Master Wor. Bro. J. H. Knight to open in the Second and Third degrees and close down which was done very precisely considering the large number. I have not the slightest doubt as to their ability to work degrees since the officers are under the very able tuition of R. Wor. Bros. Dr. Anderson and J. A. Messecar, and V. Wor. Bro. C. Mitchell. This was Ladies night with Scotland lodge, and the usual toasts and speeches were indulged in until a late hour.

Nov. 9th. A snow storm, the first of the season sadly interfered with my official visit to Wilson Lodge, No. 113, Waterford. The roads were impassable but there was a splendid turnout of the members to welcome me which was very hearty indeed. The officers worked the Second Degree very creditably and apart from a few minor errors were worthy of commendation, the Junior Deacon especially handling his candidate well. The books are in excellent shape under the able care of W. Bro. D. A. Hill. They have a candidate for District honors in the field. The addresses from R. W. Bro. Jas. Ross, W. Bros. Pearce, Teeter, Hill and Bros. Reynolds and Schram, were of a superior quality.

Nov. 17th. The weather was still against me when I paid my official visit to St. Johns, No. 35, Cayuga, very bad roads and a dense fog rendering motoring difficult. Still there was a large attendance with many visitors from Hagersville. There were two Second Degrees conferred of which I arrived too late to see the first.

The candidates were exceptionally well prepared and the work was well done. The report of the lodge shows a large amount of work done during the past year, everything being in good working order and the books being properly kept. A light lunch was served at the close.

Dec. 27th. I paid my official visit to Lynden Lodge No. 505 accompanied by a number of Past Masters and brethren of St. George Lodge. There was a good attendance and the enthusiasm was excellent. As this was their night of installation, I acted as Installing Master and installed and invested their newly elected and appointed officers. The officers are all young men of promise and the prospects are good. The usual luncheon and toast list followed.

Dec. 20th. I installed and invested the officers of St. George Lodge, No. 243, my mother lodge. I was assisted by the local Past Masters.

Jan. 11th. Accompanied by a large number of Brantford brethren, I made my official visit to Burford Lodge, No. 106, on this date. According to their usual custom the D.D.G.M. was asked to install and invest the newly elected officers. I therefore conducted the ceremony of installation assisted by R.W. Bro. Dr. Russell, and Wor. Bros. Linscott, Tapscott, Logan, Polley, and Hearne. Wor. Bro. Linscott, acting District Secretary, gave a splendid report of the lodge in its various details, showing a large amount of work done and the flourishing condition of the finances. The newly elected Master and officers are an exceptionally clever set of men and the lodge should have a successful year. They also have a man up for the office of D.D.G.M. at some period of the future.

On Feb. 14th I visited St. John's Lodge, No. 82, Paris. A large number of Past Masters and brethren of St. George Lodge accompanied me on this occasion and we received a very cordial and hearty welcome from the Paris brethren. The officers of St. John's Lodge worked a Second degree for my benefit and demonstrated their ability in a most creditable manner. The District Secretary's report showed the lodge to be in a very prosperous condition. At the luncheon which followed W. Bro. Senator Fisher presided and proposed the usual

toasts interspersed with songs. There was a large number of Paris brethren present.

Feb. 21st. A joint inspection of Ozias Lodge, No. 508 and Reba Lodge, No. 515 was held on this occasion, Reba lodge being the guests of Ozias. The First Degree was conferred on a very capable candidate the officers of Ozias bringing the work up to the investiture, and the officers of Reba concluding the ceremony. The lodges and the D.D.G.M. were honored by the presence of the D.G.M., R. W. Bro. W. J. Drope. Both lodges are in a flourishing condition with small amounts of outstanding dues and large donations to benevolent purposes. At the banquet which followed R. W. Bro. Drope outlined a scheme for the establishment of homes for aged and infirm Masons, and for the widows and children who were dependent. My brethren of St. George, No. 243 accompanied me in large numbers on this visit.

March 14th. Visited Brant Lodge, No. 45 officially on this date. Brant Lodge is really the mother of my mother lodge, St. George, No. 243. We had a distinguished visitor on this occasion, R. W. Bro. W. M. Logan, Grand Secretary. Owing to the bad condition of the country roads there were few if any visitors from the surrounding district. The Officers of Brant exemplified the First Degree on a candidate, the most promising I have had the pleasure of meeting. The work was very well done indeed but one would have been surprised if it were not at the hands of the officers of Brant. The finances are in good shape, large amounts having been paid for benevolence. The usual dinner, toast list and musical entertainment followed.

Mar. 17th. "For the honor of St. Patrick and the District Deputy," Doric Lodge, No. 121 did itself proud in its lavish welcome when I paid my official visit on this date. Doric has always received the District Deputy Grand Master in royal style and they were not behind any former effort on this occasion. The Sublime degree was exemplified par excellence, and following my comment on the work, I was taken by surprise absolutely by a presentation in honor of my visit. At the banquet which followed W. Bro. Race gave the oration of the evening responding to the toast of "The Day"—in which he commented on the anomalous position St. Patrick's day held

for Masons when St. Patrick was the patron saint of a society not supposed to be very friendly to Masonry. We were honored by the presence of W. Bro. C. B. Heyd who is the oldest Past Master of Doric (53 years) now over 80, and hale and hearty. He responded to the toast of Doric Lodge and received an ovation when he arose to speak. Bro. E. Moule of the Temple theatre furnished a considerable portion of the program with entertainers from the theatre. Over 300 sat down at the table.

April 6th. Paid my official visit to my mother lodge, St. George, No. 243. The impassable condition of the roads prevented many from being present, but in spite of this there was a fair attendance with W. Bro. McDonald and a number of brethren from Lynden Lodge as visitors. The W.M., W. Bro. Patton worked a First Degree in good style. The lodge is doing good work and their contributions to charity is a good indication of the activity within the lodge. The evening's proceedings closed with a buffet luncheon.

May 5th. Visited King Solomon, No. 329 Jarvis, accompanied by nine members and Past Masters of St. George. We were welcomed by a large number of Jarvis brethren, who spared no pains to make the reception to the representative of the Grand Master most cordial. As this visit was, to what was practically the native heath of the D.D.G.M., he also took to himself a large portion of the welcome from a personal point of view. Many of the brethren were friends of his boyhood. There was no work ready so I had W. Bro. J. S. Burwash, W.M. open and close in the Second and Third Degrees after which adjournment was made to the banquet room. The usual toasts were drunk and responded to most eloquently.

This closed my official visitation of the lodges in Brant District and I view it with some regret. The splendid unanimity among the brethren, the excellence of the work done, the very warm and cordial reception accorded the D.D.G.M., are abundant evidence of the life and enthusiasm of Masonry throughout the District.

Fraternally submitted.

J. M. McNEILLY, D.D.G.M.
Brant District, No. 23.

BRUCE DISTRICT, No. 24

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I desire firstly to thank the representatives who elected me to the office of Deputy of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master in this Masonic District, and secondly to thank the officers and members of the lodges in this district for their very kind and courteous treatment, indeed each lodge tried to outdo the other in honouring the Most Worshipful the Grand Master through his Deputy.

The work has been very well done in all the lodges, the Master and Wardens in each lodge having their work well in hand and the deacons and inner guard doing their work in excellent style.

The secretaries keep their books very creditably and have been prompt in sending notices of the meetings. One thing, however, I may say, is this, that I think the Master and secretary could improve their knowledge of the constitution. If the junior officers would study constitution when they take office, by the time they arrive at the Master's chair they would be expert. I have tried to impress on candidates the necessity of careful study of the constitution.

There has been a very satisfactory increase in membership, and the quality of the applicants good.

I desire here to express my gratitude to R. W. Bro. Goodier, my district secretary, for the valuable assistance he has given me during my term of office.

My first visit in my official capacity was to Harriston Lodge on 16 Sept. 1921, when they celebrated their Golden Jubilee. W. Bro. Allen Sheriff of Wellington was present, the only living one of the charter members. The M.W. the Grand Master was present at the banquet and gave a most interesting address. To me it was a most pleasing and instructive evening.

On 11th Nov. I visited Aldworth Lodge, No. 235. The second degree was conferred on a candidate who had

his work up in good shape. They have a splendid lodge room and the work of all the officers was excellent.

On 29th Nov. I visited Saugeen Lodge at Walkerton. Considering the membership the attendance was very poor, but the work, conferring the third degree was done in an excellent manner by W. Bro. Boss in the absence of the W.M. W. Bro. Boss is the secretary and is most efficient and a pillar of strength for the lodge.

On 19th Dec. I visited Clifford Lodge at Clifford in company with R. W. Bro. James Burns where I had the honour of dedicating their new lodge. There was a very large attendance, there being many brethren present from neighboring lodges. The work consisted of four initiations and was done in a most exemplary manner.

On 9th Feb. 1922 I visited Port Elgin Lodge in company with R. W. Burns. The work, second degree, was exemplified by the W.M. and officers in a very creditable manner. The lodge is doing good work and is in good condition.

On 14th Feb. I visited St. Lawrence Lodge at Southampton, my mother lodge. The work consisted of two initiations, one being especially interesting—W. Bro. Huber making his son a mason, the other work done by the W.M. Bro. Allen Eby was also well done.

On 13th March I visited Harriston Lodge. The work, the third degree was done in a most creditable manner by the W.M. and his officers.

On 20th of March I visited Moravian Lodge at Cargill. The work, two initiations, was well done, one by the W.M., the other by W. Bro. Saunders. R.W. Bro. Laughleen is secretary and keeps his books in a very neat and careful manner. He is a most efficient officer.

On 7th April I visited Hanover Lodge where the work, third degree, was accompanied by music, which makes the work seem much better. The W.M. was assisted by W. Bro. Webb and was extremely well done. I had the pleasure of meeting R.W. Bro. Grant of Durham at this meeting. Owing to the vile condition of the roads he and his party had quite an exciting time coming to Hanover.

On 10th April I visited Maple Leaf Lodge at Tara, where the work, the third degree was conferred on Rev. Bro. Jno. W. Currie in a most creditable manner. The

distance to Tara is about seventeen miles and at that time the roads were in as bad a condition as possible.

On the 5th May I visited Forest Lodge at Chesley. The work was conferring the second degree and was done in a very exemplary manner by the W.M. and officers.

On the 9th May I visited Cedar Lodge at Wiarnton, the work, the second degree, was done in a most satisfactory manner by the W.M. and officers. R.W. Bros. Cameron and Foster were present and a goodly number of Past Masters. To me it was very pleasing to see present a number of brethren who had come over twenty miles to do honour to the M.W. the Grand Master through his deputy in this district. I can not help thinking that it might be good if a lodge was instituted in the Bruce Peninsula, say at Lion's Head where these worthy Masons might hold their meetings. For a time it might be uphill work, but with their enthusiasm I have no doubt that it would prosper.

My last visit was to Burns Lodge at Hepworth on the 16th of May, the work, an initiation, being very satisfactorily done by the W.M. and his officers. The lodge room was taxed to its limit to seat the brethren present. There were among the visitors present four P D D G. M.'s and one P.G. Registrar. As I said this was my last visit and the best, and if I may be permitted to make such a statement I would like to see my successor in office a member of Burns Lodge, for, although every lodge in the district has treated me in a splendid manner, this little country lodge has done as much as the best and they have never had a deputy in that lodge, so I am told.

Possibly it may be disappointing to some, that in speaking of my visits to the different lodges I have made no mention of the many splendid banquets and other entertainments I have been treated to. As I have said all have done their best in the lodge where the candidates were always well prepared, and in the banquet hall after work was over, so I make no comparisons but thank them all for their kindness. I can assure my successor that if the lodges treat him as well as I have been, he will never regret accepting the office.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

P. J. SCOTT, D.D.G.M.,
Bruce District, No. 24.

GREY DISTRICT, No. 25.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

In submitting my report on the condition of Masonry in Grey District No. 25, I feel that first of all I would like to express my thanks to the various lodges in electing me to the honorable position of District Deputy Grand Master, and also, for the very kind reception I every where received on the occasion of my official visits. In every lodge throughout the District I found loyalty and fidelity to the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and Grand Lodge, and a genuine desire to preserve the Ancient Landmarks and to keep pure and unsullied the genuine tenets and principles of the craft.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Rt. Wor. Bro. Abbott my worthy predecessor for much help and advice, also the brethren of my mother lodge who accompanied me on so many of my official visits.

In Wor. Bro. Hay as District Secretary and Wor. Bro. Rev. W. H. Hartley, as Dist. Chaplain I had two capable and efficient officers and I wish to thank them, for the services they rendered.

The office of District Chaplain had hitherto been merely an honorary one; this year however a District Service was held in Trinity Church Durham, on Sunday, June 4th, which was largely attended, almost every lodge being well represented. The District Chaplain, Wor. Bro. Rev. W. H. Hartley of Shelburne delivered an excellent discourse which was much appreciated by the brethren. It seemed to be the wish of all present that the District Service become an annual affair.

Official Visits.

I chose for my first visit the Mother Lodge of my predecessor in office, Rt. Wor. Bro. Abbott, who is a Past Master of Wellington Lodge, No. 271, Erin. My visit to Wellington Lodge was on Thursday, Oct. 13th, 1921. Good attendance. Wor. Bro. McKay and Officers very ably conferred a second degree on an excellent

candidate. An enjoyable evening was spent. Lodge prospects bright.

Friday, Oct. 14th, 1921, I visited Prince Arthur Lodge, Flesherton, where I was cordially received. Wor. Bro. Peter Muir and officers exemplified a first degree in a faultless manner. Secretary's books well kept. Lodge active and well officered. While here I had the pleasure of meeting Rt. Wor. Bro. Blackburn who although an invalid for over 31 years is bright and cheerful through all his suffering.

Friday, Nov. 11th, 1921, visited St. Alban's Lodge, No. 200, Mount Forest. Wor. Bro. LeWarne on behalf of the Lodge extended a hearty welcome. Third Degree conferred. This was the first time I had seen the musical ritual used. It was most impressive. St. Alban's has a fine lodge room and is blessed with many loyal Past Masters.

Brother Gow a member of long standing has the unique distinction of never having missed a lodge meeting for fifty years. I think Grand Lodge should recognize such faithfulness.

Durham, Dec. 15th, 1921. This being my Mother Lodge I invited Rt. Wor. Bro. Abbott of Erin and Rt. Wor. Bro. Adams of Orangeville to be present and report on the work. Neither were able to be present. A third degree was exemplified with musical ritual. Visitors present from Flesherton, Owen Sound and Hanover.

On Jan. 9th, 1922, visited Dundalk Lodge, No. 449. Roads were bad yet many had driven a considerable distance to be present. A first degree was well exemplified and I found Wor. Bro. Neilson and officers very proficient in the work. This is one of the smaller lodges and has had its own difficulties to face, yet their prospects appear bright. They expect to be settled in their new lodge rooms very shortly.

Orangeville, Feb. 7th. Was welcomed to Harris Lodge by a very large gathering. Wor. Bro. Elmer Still in charge. A first degree was put on with musical ritual. Work perfectly done. Lodge thriving and financial condition good. Past Masters loyal and active. Rt. Wor.

Bro. Irvine over 50 years a mason is still most enthusiastic and active. The secretary's books were well kept.

Grand Valley, March 13th, 1922. Accompanied by Wor. Bro. Morrison of Durham 306 I visited Scot Lodge, No. 421 Grand Valley on above date. Was warmly received by Wor. Bro. Bracken and officers. Considering the membership the attendance was small, but was informed it was larger than usual. Lodge room well equipped and comfortable, and has a ventilating system, a thing which, in many lodges, is sadly lacking. A third degree was put on in a very creditable manner. Secretary's books in good shape. Prospects appear bright.

Accompanied by Wor. Bro. Morrison I visited Hiram Lodge, No. 490 Markdale on April 10th. Roads were in bad shape which no doubt accounted for the small attendance. In Wor. Bro. Reaburn the lodge has an excellent Master. A second degree was exemplified on a good candidate. The work was well and creditably done. Hiram Lodge has previously been hampered by a lack of resident past masters but it is now no longer the case. Wor. Bro. Mercer is an excellent secretary.

Accompanied by a couple of cars of Durham brethren I visited Lorne Lodge, Shelburne on May 5th. With Wor. Bro. Galbraith in charge two second degrees were well exemplified. Masonic Light burns brightly in Lorne Lodge and the desire to gain Masonic knowledge is apparent. This is the home of Rt. Wor. Bro. White and until lately of Rt. Wor. Bro. Mills so it is little wonder that the landmarks of masonry have been well guarded. On Sept. 23rd, 1921, on the kind invitation of Wor. Bro. Galbraith I was present when about a dozen Past Masters were presented with Past Master's jewels. The presentations were made by Wor. Bro. Tansley a veteran of the lodge. Visitors were present from Dufferin Lodge, Toronto; Dundalk, Markdale and Durham.

On May 10th I paid my official visit to North Star and St. George's Lodges, Owen Sound. The Lodges met in joint session as is their custom on the visit of the D.D.G.M. Attendance large, visitors present from Southampton and Durham. Was honored by the

presence of Rt. Wor. Bro. Scott, D.D.G.M. of Bruce District, No. 24. Wor. Bro. McEwen and officers of North Star Lodge exemplified the 1st degree in a faultless manner. Wor. Bro. Bothwell and officers of St. George's Lodge conferred the 3rd degree equally well. Both these lodges are strong and growing. The lodge room had just been newly decorated and is a credit to the craft in Owen Sound.

My last official visit was to Prince Arthur Lodge, No. 334, Arthur. Attendance small. No candidate being present the lodge was opened and closed in the various degrees. This was exceedingly well done. Wor. Bro. Wilson makes an excellent Master and is supported by a capable staff of officers. I regret to report that things do not appear to be running as smoothly as they should and that the spirit of discord appears to be trying to gain an entrance where peace, harmony and concord alone should prevail. I advised the brethren as to their duty in the matter and I trust my effort was not in vain.

In conclusion I desire once more to convey to the brethren of the district generally my warmest appreciation of the honor done me, and for the many kindnesses extended to me during my official year.

Fraternally submitted,

J. F. GRANT, D.D.G.M.,
Grey District, No. 25.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

The Grand Secretary read a number of Notices of Motion which had been received within the constitutional time. These were referred to the Committee on Constitution and Laws.

1. By M.W. Bro. Hon. W. D. McPherson, P.G.M.

To amend Sec. 58 by inserting as paragraph i (a) the following:

"i (a) To authorize the formation of an auxiliary Lodge until the next annual meeting of the Grand Lodge. (See Sec. 254 (a).)"

To insert as paragraph 138 (a) the following:

"An 'auxiliary Lodge' shall mean a lodge which works under a dispensation or warrant of this Grand Lodge and also bears the name of the Lodge which has petitioned for the dispensation or warrant therefor and a number differentiating each from the petitioning or mother lodge and indicating, in progressive order, whether it is the second or some other auxiliary of the mother lodge."

Also to be added as Sec. 254-a the following:

"254-a (1) An auxiliary lodge with the power and authority hereafter provided may be formed on the petition of a lodge having at the time not less than 150 members in good standing and thereafter a further auxiliary lodge or lodges may be formed on the petition of the mother lodge, that is, the lodge petitioning for same, in respect of each additional 150 members thereof in good standing.

(2) The powers and authority of an auxiliary lodge shall be limited to the initiating, passing and raising of candidates who have been admitted to membership in the mother lodge.

(3) All members of the mother lodge shall be members of each auxiliary lodge thereof, and no auxiliary lodge shall be empowered to receive as members thereof any other than those who are members of the mother lodge or of some auxiliary thereof, and all by-laws of the mother lodge shall govern and control each auxiliary thereof.

(4) The officers of an auxiliary lodge shall consist of the Master, a Senior Warden, a Junior Warden, a Treasurer, A secretary, a Senior Deacon, a Junior Deacon, an Inner Guard and two Stewards, a Chaplain, Director of Ceremonies, Organist, Assistant Secretary, who shall also act as Assistant Treasurer. The Secretary and Treasurer of the mother lodge shall be ex-officio Secretary and Treasurer of each auxiliary of the mother lodge.

(5) No officer of an auxiliary lodge shall be elected or appointed by such auxiliary lodge, but only by the mother lodge.

(6) The Master, Senior Warden and Junior Warden of each auxiliary lodge shall have and possess the same rank and privileges, generally, and in Grand Lodge, as similar officers in a lodge have and possess.

(7) No circular or announcement regarding any meeting of an auxiliary lodge shall be issued except by the mother lodge.

(8) The fee payable to Grand Lodge for a dispensation for an auxiliary lodge shall be \$20.00.

(9) The fee payable to Grand Lodge for a warrant for an auxiliary lodge shall be \$30.00.

(10) Except as herein provided no other fees shall be payable to Grand Lodge in respect of an auxiliary lodge or its members as the fees and charges payable by the mother lodge shall suffice for each auxiliary lodge and its members as well as for the mother lodge and its members.

(11) Each application for a warrant to create an auxiliary lodge must be by petition to the Grand Master, signed by the Master and Secretary of a lodge having at the time not less than 150 members in good standing, or if an auxiliary lodge has already been formed to the mother lodge in question, then an additional 150 members in respect of each auxiliary lodge petitioned for.

If the prayer of the petition be granted the Grand Master may issue a dispensation authorizing such auxiliary lodge to meet and perform the work of initiating, passing and raising candidates who have been accepted into membership by the mother lodge until the next annual meeting of the Grand Lodge.

(12) The petition for formation of an auxiliary lodge shall be in the following form:

“To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Fraternity of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

The undersigned, being the Master and Secretary, respectively, of.....Lodge, No.....G.R.C., which has.....members in good standing, having been duly empowered by resolution of such lodge so to do, pray for a warrant of constitution creating an auxiliary of our lodge to be known asthe Second (or as the case may be), empowering such auxiliary lodge to discharge the duties of Masonry in a constitutional manner according to the forms of the Order, and the laws of Grand Lodge but limited to the initiating, passing and raising for our lodge of candidates who have been regularly admitted to membership in our lodge, in the same way as our lodge could do. Our lodge has nominated, and hereby recommends:

Bro.....W.M. of.....Lodge
 Bro.....Sec. of.....Lodge
 Bro.....Recommended as W.M. of auxiliary Lodge.
 Bro.....Recommended as S.W. of auxiliary Lodge.
 Bro.....Recommended as J.W. of auxiliary Lodge.

(13) The provisions of Sec. 161–172 inclusive, 177, 181-7 inclusive, 189–192 inclusive, 196-a, 197-204 inclusive, 213-4 inclusive, 226-233 inclusive, and 262 of the Constitution of Grand Lodge shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to each auxiliary lodge.

2. By R. W. Bro. A. M. Cunningham:

Amends Section 31 to read as follows:

**MODE OF ELECTING DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND
MASTERS.**

31. Subject to the approval of and confirmation by the Grand Master, the District Deputy Grand Master of each district shall be elected by the votes of a majority of Past Masters and the representatives of the Lodges of such district present at a District Meeting of such Past Masters and representatives of the Lodges in such district, each Past Master or representative voting thereat to be entitled to the number of votes allotted to him at such district meeting, such allotment to be the same as in the case of the officers elected at the annual meeting of Grand Lodge except that no proxies shall be accepted. He must be a Past Master and a resident of the district for which he is elected. Should he at the time of his election be Master of a Lodge and should his election be confirmed by the Grand Master, such election shall, ipso facto, operate to vacate his office of Master and a new election shall be held by the Lodge. The representatives of a Lodge shall mean and include the Master and his Wardens.

2. Amend Section 32 to read as follows:

32. The nomination and election of District Deputy Grand Master shall be held on a day in the fourth week of May in each year and in each district at such hour and at such place therein as may be designated by the then ruling District Deputy Grand Master, and the result thereof shall be forthwith communicated to the Grand Secretary by the then ruling District Deputy Grand Master of the District. Printed notice of the time and place of such District Meeting, stating the purpose thereof to be the nomination and election of a District Deputy Grand Master must be given by the then ruling District Deputy Grand Master not later than the 31st day of March preceding such District Meeting to each Lodge in the district by mailing such notice by registered mail to the Master and Secretary of each of such Lodges. The Secretary of each Lodge in the district shall at least one month prior to such District Meeting furnish each ruling District Deputy Grand Master with a list of the Past Masters, Master and Wardens of his Lodge.

3. Amend Section 47 by adding thereto the following sentence:

Each District Deputy Grand Master shall be installed at the Annual Meeting of Grand Lodge or at such other time (after the annual Grand Lodge Meeting) and place as the Grand Master shall appoint.

3. By W. Bro. E. J. Repath:

That clause No. 199A of the Constitution be amended as follows:

i.e., The words "Demits issued to members of such lodges in arrears for dues," to be inserted after the word therein in the fifth line of Section 199A.

That clause 199B of the Constitution be amended as follows:

i.e., The words, "The names of demitted members in arrears for dues," to be inserted after the word thereof in the twelfth line of Section 199B.

4. By R. W. Bro. J. C. Lymburner:

That section 233 of the Book of Constitution be amended to read as follows:

In each district the clothing and jewel for the District Deputy Grand Master shall be procured annually, for which each lodge in the district shall be assessed according to its membership.

5. By R. W. Bro. E. A. James:

That section 246 of the Constitution be amended by adding after the word "specified," in line 5, the sentence "Every petition shall include a name for the lodge, which must not be that of any living person."

6. By M. W. Bro. J. H. Burritt:

That Section 179 of the Constitution be repealed and that the following be enacted in lieu thereof:

179. Every lodge may frame by-laws for its own government, which must be in harmony with the Constitution. For the Grand Master's approval, after they have been confirmed by the lodge, there must be sent to the Grand Secretary, said by-laws in duplicate under the seal of the lodge. The requirements for approval of amendments shall be (1) Certified copy of the existing by-laws; (2) A certified copy in duplicate of that portion of the minutes of the lodge meeting at which a notice of motion is given, setting out in full the proposed motion; (3) A certified copy of the Summons for the meeting at which the motion is to be made, which includes the proposed motion, and (4) A certificate, in duplicate, signed by the W. Master and Secretary and under the seal of the lodge that the motion to amend, setting it out, was carried by the requisite majority. All necessary dates to be given, and no by-laws or amendments shall be valid until so submitted and approved.

7. By R. W. Bro. J. A. Rowland:

That Section 192 of the Constitution be amended by adding thereto the following sub-Section 192 (j). Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 192, sub-Section E., the Worshipful Master may require the brethren to ballot at the altar and may give all necessary directions for that purpose."

8. By R. W. Bro. J. K. Brydon:

That Section 191 of the Constitution of Grand Lodge be amended in adding the following: "That the ballot of all candidates for initiation and affiliation be taken in the third degree."

9. By R. W. Bro. J. K. Brydon:

That Section 193 of the Constitution of Grand Lodge be amended by striking out the words "By unanimous consent," in the first line thereof, and said Section shall read as follows: "That the ballot may be passed for two or more candidates at the same time and if adverse it must be taken for each separately."

10. By R. W. Bro. A. J. Young:

That Section 186 of the Constitution be amended to read as follows:

No Lodge shall initiate a candidate whose residence is within the jurisdiction of another Lodge, unless in a town or city where there are more Lodges than one, in which case the Lodges shall have concurrent jurisdiction. The jurisdiction extends in every direction half way to the nearest Lodge except in Masonic Districts No. 17, Algoma; No. 18, Nipissing, and No. 22, Temiskaming, in which Districts the jurisdiction may be governed by the line of nearest railway travel as they now or may from time to time exist.

11. By R. W. Bro. Henry T. Smith:

That Section 262 of the Constitution be amended by adding after the last paragraph of the Section:

“That a Lodge which has attained its one hundredth year of continuous and active service in the Craft be entitled as a special marking of such features to have, if so desired, the jewels of its officers made of gold or gold plated, the aprons of the officers to have the ornamentations and edgings or fringe in gold, and the trimmings of the Master Mason’s aprons also finished in gold.”

12. By R. W. Bro. Thos. Rowe:

Sec. 2, Line 7, Delete all the words after “One year” and insert the following:

“Or which has not complied with section No. 4 (a) of the Rules Respecting Benevolence, shall be permitted to vote at any session thereof until such returns, payments and requirements respectively shall have been completed.”

Sec. 160, Line 9, Delete all words after “one year” and insert as above.

RULES RESPECTING BENEVOLENCE

1. (Line 2.) Before the word “deceased” insert the words “living or.” Line 9, omit “in its return.”

3. (Line 3.) Delete “They shall be.....in possession of” and insert, “It shall be the duty of the Worshipful Master of the Lodge to see that they are sent to, etc.”

Add new Rule, No. 4 (a) as follows: It shall be the duty of every Lodge to see that applications for renewal of grants are sent to the Grand Secretary for those beneficiaries who have been receiving through the lodge a grant from Grand Lodge in the current year and who are still in need of relief; said applications to be in the hands of the Grand Secretary by the first of June in each year.

Omit Rules 7, and 8 and 9.

No. 10, Delete the words “and returns.”

11. Delete all words after “Mason” and substitute, “unless in exceptional cases, with the authority of the Grand Master, the

Deputy Grand Master and the Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence."

12. Delete all of the second sentence, commencing with "It shall also, etc."

14. Delete all words after "respecting the" and substitute the following: "Applications for relief recommended by local boards of relief and by lodges."

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WARRANTS

The report of the Committee on Warrants was read by R.W. Bro. A. J. Young, as follows:

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on Warrants begs leave to report as follows:

We have examined the books and records of the various lodges^s under dispensation and subject to the reservations as to certain lodges hereinafter mentioned recommend that warrants be issued to the following:

Kaministiquia Lodge, Fort William, District No. 17 as No. 584.
 Royal Edward Lodge, Kingston, District No. 14 as No. 585.
 War Veterans Lodge, Toronto, District No. 11B as No. 586.
 Patricia Lodge, Toronto, District No. 11, as No. 587.
 National Lodge, Capreol, District No. 18 as No. 588.
 Grey Lodge, Toronto, District No. 11B as No. 589.
 Defenders Lodge, Ottawa, District No. 16 as No. 590.
 North Gate Lodge, Toronto, District, No. 11B, as No. 591.
 Fairbank Lodge, Toronto, District No. 11B as No. 592.
 St. Andrew's Lodge, Hamilton, District No. 8 as No. 593.
 Hillcrest Lodge, Hamilton, District No. 8 as No. 594.
 Rideau Lodge, Ottawa, District No. 16 as No. 595.
 Martintown Lodge, Martintown, District No. 21 as No. 596.
 Temple Lodge, London, District No. 3 as No. 597.
 Dominion Lodge, Windsor, District No. 1 as No. 598.
 Mount Dennis Lodge, Toronto, District No. 11, as No. 599.
 Maple Leaf Lodge, Toronto, District No. 11 as No. 600.
 St. Paul Lodge, Sarnia, District No. 2 as No. 601.
 Hugh Murray Lodge, Hamilton, District No. 8 as No. 602.
 Campbell Lodge, Campbellville, District No. 8 as No. 603.
 Palace Lodge, Windsor, District No. 1 as No. 604.
 Melita Lodge, Toronto, District No. 11 as No. 605.
 Unity Lodge Toronto, District No. 11 as No. 606.
 Golden Fleece Lodge, Toronto, District No. 11B as No. 607.
 Gothic Lodge, Lindsay, District No. 20 as No. 608.

We found irregularities in a number of the books and record presented for our inspection; some of them serious but in every case we have assurances the irregularities will be rectified. The lodges affected and the nature of the irregularities are as follows:

Kaministiquia Lodge, No. 584, a loose leaf minute book.

War Veterans Lodge No. 586, a loose leaf minute book and a defective members register and roll.

Martintown Lodge No. 596 no books of account on financial statements presented for inspection.

Temple Lodge No. 597, no books of account or financial statements presented for inspection.

Dominion Lodge No. 598, incomplete records and unsuitable book of records.

Palace Lodge No. 604, incomplete records and unsuitable books of record.

Our recommendation of the above lodges for warrants is subject to the conditions that before their constitution and consecration be proceeded with the Grand Secretary must procure from the District Deputy Grand Master of the Districts in which these lodges are situated an assurance that their books of record are in accordance with and contain all the information required by the rules and regulations of Grand Lodge.

We recommend that the dispensations granted by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master to the following lodges be continued for another year:

Tavistock Lodge, Tavistock, District No. 4.

Frontenac Lodge, Sharbot Lake, District No. 14.

Ashlar Lodge, Byron, District No. 3.

Huron-Bruce Lodge, Toronto, District No. 11B.

Your Committee desires to call to the attention of the District Deputy Grand Masters the obligation imposed upon them when recommending Lodges under dispensation for warrants. Their certificate not only covers the fitness of the officers to conduct a Masonic Lodge in its ritualistic and degree work, but also their fitness to conduct the lodge in its business affairs. The business side of a Masonic Lodge is as essential to its well being and good government as is the working of degrees and before endorsing the application for a warrant the District Deputy Grand Masters should satisfy themselves the business side is being properly taken care of. Your Committee would be very reluctant to refuse to honor the recommendation of any District Deputy Grand Master, but unless greater care is exercised by these officers in their recommendations we may find ourselves in this position.

Your Committee has recommended for warrants several Lodges which have been working under their dispensations only a short time before the close of the Masonic year. The recommendation is made because of the personnel of the officers governing these lodges and the excellence of the work shown by their records. We desire to say that while we have made exceptions this year we think the rule should be made that no lodge should be granted a warrant unless it has worked under its dispensation at least three months prior to the meeting of Grand Lodge.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

A. J. YOUNG, Chairman.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R.W. Bro. A. J. Young and Resolved, That the report of the Board on Warrants be received and adopted.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

In the absence of M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone, Chairman of the Special Committee appointed at the last Annual Communication to take action on the question of lodge jurisdiction in the districts of Algoma, Nipissing and Temiskaming, R.W. Bro. A. J. Young reported that the Committee had thoroughly investigated the conditions and had prepared a motion covering the situation which would be placed before Grand Lodge.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R.W. Bro. A. J. Young and Resolved, That the report of the Special Committee be received and adopted.

PETITIONS.

Petitions were read by the Grand Secretary, as follows:

(1) From Royal Edward Lodge, U.D., Kingston, asking permission to wear regalia not in conformity with the rules laid down by section 262 of the Constitution.

(2) From Oakwood Lodge, No. 553, asking to be allowed concurrent jurisdiction with the Toronto lodges in the event of Oakwood Lodge occupying premises just outside the city.

On motion of the Grand Secretary, seconded by M.W. Bro. J. H. Burrill, these petitions were referred to the Board of General Purposes for report.

(3) A request for recognition from the United Grand Lodge of Queensland, the Grand Lodge (York) of Mexico, and the Grande Loge Nationale pour la France was referred to the Board of General Purposes on motion of the Grand Secretary, seconded by R.W. Bro. E. B. Brown.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON TESTIMONIAL.

The report of the Special Committee on the testimonial to M.W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt was read by R.W. Bro. E. B. Brown, as follows:

On behalf of the Committee appointed at the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge to secure a suitable testimonial to the retiring Grand Master, M.W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, we beg to report that the Committee selected a handsome oriental floor-rug suitable for a living-room or dining-room, and that it was presented to M.W. Bro. Harcourt at a regular meeting of his Mother Lodge, Ionic, No. 25, Toronto, on Wednesday the 1st March, 1922. The presentation was made by M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone, Grand Treasurer, in a very happy speech, in the presence of a large concourse of Brethren. The Grand Master was there and joined in the presentation, making an eloquent address. Brother Harcourt's acknowledgment was made in fitting and felicitous terms. The meeting was a most successful one.

Fraternally submitted,
E. B. BROWN, Acting Chairman.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R.W. Bro. E. B. Brown and Resolved, That the report be received and adopted.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON WILSON MONUMENT.

The report of the Special Committee appointed at the last Communication of Grand Lodge to secure a monument to Past Grand Master, Wm. Mercer Wilson, was read by M.W. Bro. W. R. White as follows:

To The M. W. The Grand Master and the Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

The Committee appointed at last meeting of Grand Lodge to procure and place a suitable monument over the grave of P.G.M., M.W. Bro. William Mercer Wilson, L.L.D., the first Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, reports as follows:

1. A granite monument, chaste and beautiful in design and suitably inscribed has been placed over the grave of the late Grand Master in St. John's Churchyard near Simcoe and was unveiled on the 16th day of June inst. at a special meeting of Grand Lodge held for the purpose, M.W. Bro. Ponton, G.M., presiding.

2. A large number of Masons and others were present and the ceremony was interesting and impressive and was greatly appreciated by all present.

3. The brethren of Norfolk Lodge, Simcoe, both as a lodge and individuals are entitled to great credit for their kindness and courtesy

to the members of Grand Lodge. Their assistance at the ceremony did much to make it an unqualified success.

4. R.W. Bro. J. S. Martin and R.W. Bro. Hutt, members of the committee, were present and rendered valuable assistance.

5. M.W. Bro. White, Chairman of the Committee, unveiled the monument at the request of the Grand Master.

6. The monument is a massive block of granite, beautifully finished and will for all time be a lasting memorial of the great man and Mason whose memory it is intended to keep fresh in the minds of all good Masons.

7. The cost of the monument is \$1,140 for which sum the committee recommends that a cheque be issued to the McIntosh Granite Co. of Toronto.

8. A photograph of the monument is presented herewith.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. R. WHITE, Chairman.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master seconded by M.W. Bro. W. R. White and Resolved, That the report of the committee be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PRINTING AND SUPPLIES.

R.W. Bro. R. F. Richardson, Chairman of the Committee on Printing and Supplies, presented the following report:

The Committee on Printing and Supplies, through the Board of General Purposes, beg to report as follows:

That, inasmuch as conditions in the printing trade during the past year have greatly improved, and prices are getting more nearly normal, your committee would recommend that instead of any tenders being asked for a term of years, the contracts for necessary printing be left in the hands of the committee until next year's communication of Grand Lodge.

Your Committee are pleased to report that on an order of 10,000 certificates, the former cost of which amounted to \$2,000.00, a saving of \$1,250.00 has been effected.

Analysis of Printing for the Year 1921-22.

Preliminary reports, G. L., 1921.....	\$ 414 61	
Ballots, tally sheets, etc.....	47 61	
	<hr/>	\$ 462 25

Ceremonies, Funeral	74 00	
Ceremonies, Constituting and Organizing	106 00	
Special Work	2,047 50	
Constitutions	2,054 25	
Grand Master's Rulings	214 75	
Musical Rituals	556 22	
		\$5,052 72
Letter Books	21 22	
Cheque Books	51 50	
Cash Book	37 50	
Certificate Register	33 48	
Binding Returns	58 50	
Membership Registers	30 90	
		\$ 233 10
Stationery, G.M., D.G.M., G. Treas.	168 20	
Stationery & Supplies, G. Secy	177 62	
		\$ 345 82
Return Forms, Pledges, etc.	100 91	
Circulars	164 38	
		\$ 265 29
Printing Proceedings	2,169 44	
Mailing Covers	64 00	
		2,233 44
		<u>\$8,592 62</u>

Your Committee desire to bring to your attention, that in the analysis of expenditure, the sum of \$4,500.00 appears for the printing of Ceremonies, Special Work, Constitutions, Grand Master's Rulings and Musical Rituals, but the sale of these realizes enough to cover the entire cost of production.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

R. F. RICHARDSON, Chairman.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R.W. Bro. R. F. Richardson, and Resolved That the Report of the Board on Printing and Supplies be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON AUDIT AND FINANCE.

R.W. Bro. Geo. S. May, Chairman of the Committee on Audit and Finance presented the following report:

Your Committee on Audit and Finance through the Board of General Purposes, have much pleasure in reporting that they have examined the books and vouchers of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary. They have been properly and excellently kept.

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Receipts.

Balance in the Bank of Commerce.....	\$ 9,865 72	
Dues from the Lodges	123,808 95	
Interest on Investments	15,276 55	
Interest on Bank Deposits	634 14	
Cancelled Cheque, John McKerracher.....	16 00	
Debentures Matured.....	11,132 01	
	<hr/>	\$160,732 37

Expenditures.

General Charges.....	\$ 33,215 90	
Benevolent Grants.....	73,440 00	
Landed Banking and Loan Co.....	5,000 00	
Toronto General Trust Corporation Guar- anteed Investment.....	10,000 00	
City of Toronto.....	14,487 83	
Province of Ontario	16,321 86	
	<hr/>	\$152,465 59
Balance on Deposit in the Canadian Bank of Commerce, May 31st, 1922.....	\$ 10,095 81	
Less Outstanding Cheques.....	1,829 03	
	<hr/>	\$ 8,266 78
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		\$160,732 37

SEMI-CENTENNIAL

Receipts.

Balance in Bank of Commerce.....	\$ 1,366 49	
Received from Grand Secretary.....	21 00	
Interest on Investments.....	5,030 95	
Interest on Bank Deposits.....	63 51	
Benevolent Grant Cancelled.....	37 50	
Debentures Matured and paid in.....	6,668 71	
	<hr/>	\$ 13,187 16

Expenditures.

Debentures purchased.....	\$ 7,636 45	
Benevolent Orders.....	4,970 00	
Coupon charged back and again deposited	22 50	
Balance in the Bank of Commerce.....	558 21	
	<hr/>	\$ 13,187 16

The Funds in the General Account and also in the Semi-Centennial account are well and closely invested. The amount invested in the General account is \$286,548.19 and increase over last year is \$31,747.10

The Semi-Centennial investments amount to \$102,441.58.

The details of both of these funds will be found in the Grand Treasurer's Report.

M.W. Bro. Malone has been called the Watch Dog of Grand Lodge. He is ever watchful and very careful as to the investment of

the funds funds of Grand Lodge, and has given the matter of investments careful thought and study. We trust that he may long be spared to carry on the good work.

The Bonds for the Grand Secretary, Bro. Attig, and Miss Place for the sum of \$5,000 each, have been placed before your Committee for inspection. The Bonds are in the custody of the Grand Treasurer. We recommend that the Grand Master and the Deputy Grand Master be authorized to renew the same on maturity.

The annual increase in the amount of our surplus investments is more gratifying. They afford Grand Lodge the opportunity of treating more fairly and liberally our indigent members and needy dependents of deceased and unfortunate brethren. Your committee therefore beg to announce that the maximum allowance authorized to be granted be increased fifty per cent.

Your committee beg to recommend that the secretary of Bro. Frank J. Brown, a clerk in the office of the Grand Secretary be increased from \$1,200.00 to \$1,800.00 and that Miss Place be given an increase of \$500.00 making her salary \$2,000.

Realizing the very extensive and unusual activity of our present Grand Master in visiting the lodges of the jurisdiction and the making visits to foreign jurisdictions, and the exceptional large outlay for traveling expenses necessary, occasioned thereby, your committee beg to recommend that he be paid \$300 to reimburse expenses of last year, and that his allowance for 1922-23 be \$1,500.00. Your committee also recommend that his allowance for expenses of a stenographer be increased to \$300.00.

Your Committee recommends that a fund of \$2,000, to be called the Charity Emergent Fund, be set aside to be paid out at the discretion of the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Treasurer and Chairman of the Benevolence Committee.

ESTIMATES

Receipts.

Fees—Registrations of Initiations.....	\$ 25,000 00
Fees—Registrations of Affiliations	1,000 00
Dues.....	85,900 00
Constitution and Ceremonies	4,000 00
Certificates.....	100 00
Dispensations.....	1,200 00
Commutations of Dues.....	6,500 00
Warrants.....	250 00
Miscellaneous.....	950 00
Musical Ritual.....	200 00
Interest from Semi-Centennial	5,100 00
Interest from General Account.....	15,000 00
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	\$145,200 00

Expenditures.

Salary, Grand Secretary.....	\$ 5,000 00
Salary, Grand Treasurer (Clerk).....	300 00
Salary, Grand Auditor.....	600 00
Salary, Office Staff.....	6,800 00
Printing and Stationery.....	7,500 00
Incidental Expenses.....	1,400 00
Certificates and Warrants.....	1,300 00
Insurance.....	140 00
Safety Deposit Box Rental.....	40 00
Rent of Office and Heating.....	1,000 00
Telephone.....	100 00
Postage on Proceedings.....	200 00
Expenses Grand Lodge.....	6,000 00
Expenses on Commissions.....	150 00
Inspection of Benevolent Grants.....	1,500 00
Allowance Grand Master.....	1,500 00
Allowance Grand Master past year.....	300 00
Extra Postage.....	75 00
Masonic Relief Association.....	225 00
Chairman Fraternal Correspondence.....	250 00
Allowance Deputy Grand Master.....	250 00
Miscellaneous.....	300 00
Adding Machine.....	315 00
Special Fund for Benevolent Grants.....	2,000 00
Special Fund for Grand Lodge, Ireland ..	5,000 00
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	\$ 42,245 00
Benevolent Grants.....	99,920 00
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	\$142,165 00

Fraternally submitted,

GEO. S. MAY, Chairman,

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R.W. Bro. G. S. May, and Resolved, That the report of the report of the Board on Audit and Finance be received and adopted.

REPORT OF BOARD ON FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE.

R.W. Bro. E. B. Brown, Chairman of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence, presented the report of the Committee and also a special report as follows:

Mexico.

Your committee has before it correspondence relating to the York Grand Lodge of Mexico. In a letter addressed to our Grand Master, dated the 30th of September, 1921, the Grand Master of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, which is described on the letterhead as "controlling English-speaking York Rite Lodges in the Republic of Mexico," suggests the name of a Member of that Grand Lodge as our representative near the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, and requests the nomination of a Brother in our Jurisdiction who may be willing to serve as representative of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico near our Grand Lodge. Our Grand Master has, we understand, deferred the consummation of an exchange of representatives until our Grand Lodge shall have passed upon the question of recognition of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico.

The chairman of your committee wrote, about two weeks ago, to the Grand Secretary of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, asking for information as to the present situation of Masonry in Mexico and as to the prospects of a Union between the York Grand Lodge of Mexico and the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, understanding that a proposal for such a union had been made. No answer has as yet been received. Probably the time allowed for an answer was too short.

Your Committee, upon the documents before it, which accompany this report, is of opinion that the York Grand Lodge of Mexico is a legitimate body and the only Masonic Grand Lodge in Mexico to which at present fraternal recognition can well be accorded by foreign Grand Lodges, but is also of opinion that action in regard to recognition should be deferred until further information has been obtained.

The situation in Mexico is well-explained in the following resolution adopted by the Grand Lodge of California at its Annual Communication held in October, 1921:—

"Whereas this Grand Lodge, at the Annual Communication of 1902, extended fraternal recognition to the Grand Lodge of A.F. and A.M. Valle de Mexico; and whereas it now satisfactorily appears, after thorough inquiry and investigation, that the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, to which recognition was so extended, changed its name in 1911, and ever since has been, and now is, known as the York Grand Lodge of Mexico F. and A.M.; and that there is no reason why that recognition should be withdrawn. Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Grand Lodge of California, being fully advised of all the facts and circumstances, hereby formally extends fraternal recognition to the York Grand Lodge of Mexico F. and A.M., of which M.W. Bro. Ernest J. Nicklos is Grand Master: and that the Grand Master of Masons in California, when so requested, arrange for an interchange of fraternal representatives. And be it further resolved that the Grand Lodge of California does hereby express the hope that a solution may be found for the problems now confronting Ancient Craft Masonry in the Republic of Mexico, and that harmony may be restored; and commending the fraternal spirit which prompted the Grand Master of the York Grand Lodge and

his Brethren to adopt the suggestions and recommendations of the Texas Commission for a merger with the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, and confirming the assurance given at that time by the representative of the Grand Master of Masons in California, together with the Texas Commission and the Grand Master of Louisiana. And be it further resolved that, in the event of a merger of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico with the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico and the organization thereby of a new Grand Lodge in the Republic of Mexico, the fraternal recognition hereby extended the York Grand Lodge of Mexico be deemed to be extended the new Grand Lodges or formed, under whatever name it may be known."

Your committee refers also to the following resolution of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana adopted at its Annual Communication held in February, 1922:—

"Whereas this Grand Lodge accorded fraternal recognition to the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico at our session of 1909; and whereas during the following year serious dissensions occurred in that body resulting in a number of the Lodges seceding and forming another Grand Lodge, both bodies laying claim to the title; and whereas, while the present York Grand Lodge of Mexico is beyond question or doubt the regular body, still it has invaded other occupied territory in the country of Mexico; Therefore be it resolved that our present policy of non-interference in Masonic affairs in the Federal District of Mexico be maintained until the next Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge."

The grand lodges in the United States which had recognised the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico before 1911 are continuing to recognise it under its new name, but your committee has not found any instance of original recognition since the establishment of a new (so-called) Grand Lodge under the old name of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico.

Your committee therefore recommends that no action be taken at the present time and asks leave to make further inquiries and bring in a report at the next Annual communication of this Grand Lodge.

Queensland.

Your committee has before it a request that the Grand Lodge of Canada (in the Province of Ontario) will be pleased to grant fraternal recognition to the United Grand Lodge of Queensland and approve of the mutual appointment of representatives.

This United Grand Lodge was formed on the 27th of April, 1921, by the union of the Grand Lodge of Queensland and the Queensland Grand Lodge.

Your committee recommends that the request be granted.

France

The National Independent and Regular Grand Lodge for France and the French Colonies also requests recognition.

Your committee has not before it sufficient information to warrant a conclusion, and recommends that consideration be deferred until the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

E. B. BROWN, Chairman.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R.W. Bro. E. B. Brown, and Resolved, That the report of the Board on Fraternal Correspondence be received, adopted and printed as an appendix to the Proceedings; and that the special report of the Committee as read be adopted.

CALLED OFF.

Grand Lodge was called from labor at 1 o'clock, p.m. to meet again at 2.30 p.m.

CALLED ON.

Grand Lodge resumed labor at 2.30 p.m. the Grand Master on the Throne.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON BENEVOLENCE

R.W. Bro. Thomas Rowe, Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence, read the following report:

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on Benevolence begs leave to report as follows:

Since the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, the Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence, with the approval of the M.W., the Grand Master, and the President of the Board of General Purposes, has made Interim Grants to Applicants, amounting to \$4,425.00 from the General Fund, and \$1,742.86 from the surplus interest of the Semi-Centennial Fund.

Additional grants have been made from the interest on the investment of the Semi-Centennial Fund, amounting to \$3,460.00. 588 applications were received and disposed of as follows:

283 Granted through Local Boards, amount.....	\$43,890 00
298 Granted through lodges, amount.....	45,830 00

7 Applications were declined.

Special Grants authorized by Grand Lodge:—

Miss Mary Wilson.....	\$500 00	
Miss M. H. Harris.....	75 00	
		\$ 575 00

Total amounts of grants from the General Fund.....	\$90,295 00
Total amount of interim grants from General Fund.....	4,425 00

Additional Grants from the interest of the Semi-Centennial Fund.....	1,740 00
Grants recommended from the interest of the Semi-Centennial Fund at this Annual Communication	3,460 00
Total.....	\$99,920 00

The Grants made by the Lodges during the year as shown by the Reports of the D.D.G.M.'s amount to about \$40,000.00

We are pleased to note that many of the widows of deceased brethren are availing themselves of the provision made by the Mothers' Allowance Act, and would again recommend, as was done last year, that the D.D.G.M.'s be directed to consult with the Masters of Lodges making applications, and to see that wherever an applicant is eligible for such assistance, her case is properly presented.

Your Committee would also recommend as follows:—

That an annual grant of \$200.00 be made to Miss Simpson, daughter of the late M. W. Bro. W. B. Simpson, third Grand Master of this Grand Lodge.

That the Maximum allowance for travelling expenses of the Inspector of Benevolence be raised to three hundred dollars per annum, an increase of fifty dollars, and on the year of General Inspection the maximum be raised to six hundred dollars.

That the subscription to the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada be continued.

That the Report of the Inspector of Benevolent Grants be printed as an Appendix to this Report.

Fraternally submitted,

THOS. ROWE.

APPENDIX TO THE REPORT OF THE BOARD ON BENEVOLENCE.

W. N. Ponton, Esq.,

Grand Master.

Dear Sir and M. W. Bro.,

I herewith present my Report for the year 1921.

There were 523 applications presented to the Committee, 263 from Local Boards and 260 from private Lodges.

The 263 from Local Boards were disposed of as follows:

One widow received a grant of \$20, two for \$40 each, twelve for \$50 each, eight for \$60 each, six for \$80 each, seventy-six for \$100 each, forty-three for \$150 each, thirty-one for \$200 each, fourteen for \$250 each, one was reduced from \$250 to \$125, two from \$200 to \$100, and one from \$100 to \$50, ten were rejected, one got married

and two died, one brother received a grant for \$50, four for \$100 each, six for \$150 each, three for \$200 each, seven for \$250 each, five for \$300 each, eleven for \$400 each, one was reduced from \$150 to \$75, one was rejected and one died. One orphan received a grant for \$40, one \$50, three for \$100 each, four for \$150 each and one for \$200. One mother received a grant for \$100, two sisters received grants one for \$100 and one for \$200.

The 260 applications from private Lodges were disposed of as follows:

One widow received a grant for \$30, one for \$40, six for \$50 each, fourteen for \$60 each, twenty-four for \$80 each, seventy-seven for \$100 each, thirty-four for \$150 each, twelve for \$200 each, eight for \$250 each, one was reduced from \$250 to \$125, one from \$100 to \$50, four were rejected, one got married and one died. Three brothers received grants for \$60 each, six for \$100 each, seven for \$150 each, six for \$200 each, nineteen for \$250 each, two for \$300 each, and four for \$400 each, one was reduced from \$400 to \$200, one was reduced from \$150 to \$75, three were rejected and four died. One orphan received a grant for \$60, one for \$80, four for \$100 each, four for \$150 each, one for \$200, and three for \$250, each, one wife received a grant for \$100 and two were rejected, one mother received a grant for \$100, and one sister for \$80.

395 applications were made for widows of whom 376 received grants, 14 were rejected, two got married, and three died.

96 applications were made for brethren of whom 87 received grants, four were rejected and five died.

24 applications were made for orphans, all of whom received grants.

3 applications were made for wives, one received a grant and two were rejected.

2 mothers and three sisters received grants.

Grants were also made from the Semi-Centennial fund as follows: ten widows received \$40 each, and 33 received \$50 each, nine brethren received \$50 each, six received \$100 each, one received \$150, two orphans received \$50 each and one sister received \$40.

The applications include 144 who are over 70 years of age, 53 are from 70 to 75, 45 from 76 to 80, 32 from 81 to 85, 11 from 86 to 90 and 3 are over 90.

I regret to have to report that in many cases W.M.'s and Secretaries appear to be absolutely indifferent regarding the needs of the widows and orphans of their deceased brethren. In no less than fifty cases widows and indigent brethren would have been deprived of much needed assistance on account of the negligence of The Worshipful Masters and Secretaries in failing to send proper applications or returns if the Committee had not made provisional grants. In several cases secretaries had to be written to a second time before answers were received, and in some no reply was received from either the W.M. or Secretary until they were informed that unless an

answer was received before a certain day their culpable negligence would be reported to the Grand Master.

I am glad to be able to say however, that in a great majority of the cases the officers and members generally are not only willing but anxious to do everything in their power to assist in the good work that is being done. I have on several occasions appealed to members of lodges for assistance where it was urgently needed and have never done so without meeting with a generous response. The brethren in our Cities particularly where much distress prevails seem to fully realize that relief is one of the great fundamental principles upon which the Order is founded and that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

Ninety-two thousand dollars will be distributed through the Committee to the widows, the orphan and the indigent brother, also a very large amount by the private lodges and individual brethren, no estimate in figures however can be made of the relief that has been administered, the distress that has been alleviated, the comfort and consolation that has been afforded to these our own people who are sorely afflicted and who in many cases need our assistance so much.

Again I desire to express my gratitude for the kindness and courtesy that has always been given to me by the brethren when visiting the various localities on my tour of investigation. My grateful thanks are also due to yourself, the Chairman of the Committee, and the Grand Secretary for the expressions of appreciation that have from time to time been extended to me.

Yours fraternally,

J. B. NIXON,

Inspector of Benevolent Grants.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R.W. Bro. Thos. Rowe, and Resolved, That the Report of the Board of Benvolence be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD UPON THE FRATERNAL DEAD

R.W. Bro. W. S. Herrington, Chairman of the Committee on the Fraternal Dead, presented the following report:

“Father, in Thy Gracious keeping,
Leave we now Thy servants sleeping.”

We are now passing another mile-stone in our fraternal journey through life and as we glance along the ranks we find that many have fallen by the wayside since our last meeting in 1921. Among the missing ones are some who then showed signs of weariness; but refused to yield to the insistent call of their infirmities and with perhaps no small degree of pain and discomfort to themselves kept pace

with us in our labors and festivities, serving to the end with their remaining strength our order which they held so dear. Many others, apparently in the full vigor of their strong manhood, who for years have borne their burdens lightly and with no outward show of weakness, have been summoned from us by that dread messenger who brooks no delay and accepts no excuse. The heavy hand of death has fallen upon others, who with brisk steps and light hearts had just entered upon careers which gave promise of great usefulness.

Twelve months ago our departed brethren were as earnest and ambitious as any of us in their endeavors to live up to the standard of the ideal Mason, were buoyed up by the same hopes and chastened by the same trials and a twelve month hence the voices of many of us, who now lament the loss of them, may be as still as theirs. As we look about us and with grateful hearts recognize the splendid work that is being carried on by the stalwart leaders of our craft, we often wonder what will befall the structure they have reared if they should be taken from us. We have so long depended upon their leadership that we feel that without their guiding hands our efforts would be of little avail. So did they feel towards their predecessors when they first took up the burden. But with all our losses, and they have been severe ones, and with all our fears and misgivings, and they have been very real, Masonry was never stronger nor more progressive than it is to-day, and at no time in the history of the craft was it more capable of doing good and of rendering valuable services to a tortured world than at this present hour. The blessings flowing from fidelity to the principles of brotherly love, relief and truth are not for one day, year or generation, but for eternity, and our brethren who exemplified these Masonic virtues in their daily lives builded for all time. They would not have us sit in idle sorrow nor dim our vision with tears shed for them, but, if they could speak to us now they would beg of us to take up their unfinished tasks. The highest tribute we can pay to their memory is to emulate what was good in them so that they, though dead, shall live in our good works.

Though death has cast its dark shadow over our pathway and brought sorrow to many homes there is little we can do to comfort those who mourn. Yet we must ever bear in mind that the darker the shadow the stronger is the light beyond, which, for the time, is hidden from our view. Those upon whom the burden of grief falls most heavily should receive some solace from the grateful remembrance of the bright rays of the useful and well spent lives which prepared those loved ones for the more glorious life beyond. For truly,

"Tis better to have loved and lost
Than never to have loved at all."

R. W. Bro. Lieutenant-Colonel Thomas Robert Atkinson

R. W. Bro. Atkinson was a man of indomitable courage who owed his success in life to his own unaided efforts. He began life as a stone mason and was recognized as a master workman in the art; but at the age of thirty-two he concluded that he was better fitted for a professional life. He had received only a common school education and the prospect of qualifying for admission to the Law Society would have been too discouraging for most men of his years. Not so with him. No sooner had he made up his mind to be a lawyer than

he entered the High School at Simcoe and in due course passed his matriculation examination and entered Queen's University, took the full course of Bachelor of Laws and afterwards graduated from Osgoode Hall as a Barrister and Solicitor. This record is, I believe, unique in the annuals of the profession in this province. Any man who could, at his age and without any preliminary training, go through such a course of study on schedule time as he did was bound to succeed, and succeed he did. As a military man he attained the rank of Commanding Officer of the 39th Regiment. His counsel was frequently sought in Municipal affairs and he was twice elected Mayor of Simcoe. For three terms he represented his native riding of North Norfolk in the House of Commons. In addition to his professional duties he had many business interests which made great demands upon his time, but, with it all he was never so busy but that he could keep in close touch with his mother lodge, Norfolk No. 10, of which he became a member in 1881. He was twice elected to the Master's chair and served one term as D.D.G.M. of Wilson District No. 6. His sudden death on December 15th, 1921, at the age of sixty-six was the occasion for general mourning in Norfolk County, where he was highly respected by all classes.

V. Wor. Bro. Robert John Winsor Barker.

V. Wor. Bro. Barker's name has been intimately associated with three different lodges, Alpha No. 384, his mother lodge, The Beaches No. 473, of which he was the first Senior Warden and afterwards Master for two terms, and St. Aidan's No. 567, of which he was a charter member and the first Master. His zeal in promoting the interests of the Craft was rewarded in 1919 by his appointment as Grand Superintendent of Works. For a number of years he had been suffering from ill-health but all efforts to overcome the malady were unavailing, and he finally succumbed on the 24th of May, 1922. In business circles he acquired an enviable reputation for integrity in all his dealings. He was always ready to lend a helping hand to any movement calculated to promote a community spirit and in Masonic circles many a life has been made brighter through his friendship.

V. Wor. Bro. William Henry Best.

Ashlar Lodge No. 247 owes much to the unostentatious and faithful services of V.W. Bro. Best, who for forty-two years was on its roll of active members and during the latter half of this period officiated at the Secretary's desk. This splendid record did not escape the notice of the Grand Master who, at our last annual communication appointed him Grand Junior Deacon. His influence for good was by no means limited to his mother lodge; but the unselfish motive behind his acts of goodness were more discernable there than elsewhere for within its sacred precincts his great heart was laid bare. It is not always safe to measure a man by his most prominent acts, acts performed perhaps to attract public notice; but the little incidents of his daily life portray his true character. By this the severest test our departed brother was not found wanting; but was universally esteemed as a man who gave the best there was in him to every good cause within his reach.

R. W. Bro. R. J. Gibson, P.G.R.

York Lodge No. 156 mourns one of its most worthy sons through the death of R. W. Bro. Gibson. Physically he was moulded after nature's noblest pattern and his commanding presence and graceful bearing marked him as an outstanding figure in any company. No less attractive were his genial nature and amiable disposition which endeared him to a very large circle of friends. These latter qualities were not of a superficial character but were from the heart and soul of the man, who, with a thorough comprehension of our true relation to the deep and serious problems of our existence, believed in infusing into life all the happiness and sunshine it was possible to command. As a member of the legal profession he was an honest counsellor and an able advocate of his client's cause, and fair and chivalrous towards his opponent. His sudden and tragic death while attending a meeting of the Grand Chapter at Hamilton on February 21st of the present year made a profound impression upon the brethren there assembled and brought forth many expressions of genuine love from his Masonic friends.

R. W. Bro. George Washington Liddle.

R. W. Bro. Liddle was a life member of Nipissing Lodge, No. 420, at North Bay, where he resided for many years as the route agent of the Dominion Express Company. In 1905 he was transferred to the local office at Parkdale and continued to live there until his death on September 22nd, 1921. In his business dealings with the public he was capable, and courteous and at the same time true and faithful to the best interests of his employers.

He never thrust himself before the public. Yet always took upon himself his full share of the public burdens. Every measure for the general welfare of the community, whether it be in church, school, or philanthropic organization received his enthusiastic support. He loved the lodge because it afforded him an opportunity for doing good. His progress in Masonry was rapid and well illustrates the confidence placed in him by those who knew him best. He was initiated in 1894 and within the short space of six years was passed through all the important chairs of his mother lodge, and attained the rank of D.D.G.M.

R. W. Bro. W. F. Miller.

R. W. Bro. Miller was received into Masonry in Valley Lodge No. 100, of Dundas, over forty-five years ago. From the hour he first knelt before the altar to the end of a life marked by his kindly interest in the welfare of others he never lost sight of the lessons contained in the beautiful ceremonies of our ritual. His adherence to the principles of Masonry was not merely a case of rigid obedience to the well known rules laid down for our guidance, but rather, a cheerful acquiescence in the spirit of brotherly love, which he always recognized as the true foundation of Masonry. His business calling him to Windsor he affiliated with Great Western Lodge of that city and in due course was elected to the Master's chair and later on chosen D.D.G.M. of the District. In 1889 he was appointed Inspector of Revenue at Hamilton, and upon his removal to that city

he affiliated with St. John's Lodge No. 40. He retained his connection with his mother lodge and the other two with which he was affiliated, and at the time of his death in November, 1921, he enjoyed the distinction of being an honorary life member of all three. He was buried with full Masonic honors and his well merited popularity was attested by the large number of brethren who availed themselves of the opportunity to do honor to his memory.

R. W. Bro. Joseph F. Senn.

There passed away at Binbrook, Ont., on the 28th of November last, R. W. Bro. Joseph F. Senn, who, for forty-seven years, had been the pillar of strength of Harmony Lodge No. 57. He was of a retiring disposition, and at all times declined to allow his name to be brought forward in connection with any public office, yet followed closely the trend of public events. To him his lodge was his field of labor outside his immediate personal affairs. While not seeking office in it he filled for two years the Master's chair and for thirteen years served as a most efficient secretary. In 1907 he was elected D.D.G.M. of Hamilton District No. 8 and filled the position most acceptably to all the lodges under his jurisdiction. He was the chief instrument in bringing into being Lincoln Lodge No. 544 and was its first Master.

R. W. Bro. Abraham Shaw

In the death of R. W. Bro. Abraham Shaw, Masonry in Ontario lost one of its most devoted adherents. His was a kind, generous and sympathetic nature in which the tenets of the Craft were deeply rooted and drew therefrom ample nourishment to blossom forth in deeds of brother love. For forty-five years he served the public in the Customs Department where his ability and fidelity were rewarded by his appointment in 1898 to the important office of Financial Customs Ports Inspector, which office he continued to fill until his resignation in 1920. As a citizen he never lost sight of his obligations to the State, but while rejoicing in the benefits of the greater brotherhood of our young nation he cheerfully accepted the responsibilities and burdens of true citizenship. He was a man of strong views, but always ready to respect the opinion of those who differed from him. In the sanctity of his home his pure life was an inspiration to those bound to him by the closest ties of nature. He was a devout and faithful member of the Methodist Church, regular in his attendance at its services, and active in promoting its interests. In the Lodge Room, where we knew him best, his influence was always for good and his earnest endeavor was to exalt Masonry to a higher plane. It, to him, was a religion that went hand-in-hand with that of the Prince of Peace and his daily life was a true exemplification of his firm belief in the soundness of the principles of both. For over half a century he was a member of Cataraqui Lodge of Kingston, and the esteem in which he was held in his native city was manifested by his being made an honorary member of the other two lodges of Kingston upon the 50th anniversary of his admission to the Craft. His familiar figure will be missed from our annual meetings where he has rendered faithful service upon the Board of General Purpose for twenty-three years.

R. W. Bro. Henry Turner

R. W. Bro. Henry Turner was born in Wexford, Ireland, on the 1st day of March, 1826, and died in Victoria, B.C., on the 1st day of March, 1922, being the 96th anniversary of his birth. To have attained this ripe old age is no small distinction in itself and betokens prudence, temperance and self control, which virtues our venerable brother practised from his early manhood to the closing hours of his long life. Upon receiving his degree of Doctor of Medicine from St. Andrew's University in 1853 he came to Canada and practised about one year at Galt and then settled in Millbrook, where he continued in active practice until 1900. At this period of his life, when he had passed the allotted span of three score years and ten, he assumed the work of missionary doctor among the Blackfoot Indians at Gleichen, Alberta, where he labored without remuneration for four years, when he retired and spent his remaining years in a well earned repose in Victoria. He belonged to the old school of family physicians who did not commercialize their profession, and besides ministering to the ailments of the body, acted as counsellor and friend to soothe the troubled mind. For sixty-one years he was a member of the Craft and was a charter member and for fifteen years Master of J. B. Hall Lodge, No. 145. He was twice District Deputy Grand Master of Ontario District. He was a staunch supporter of and Lay Reader in the Anglican Church, a Lieutenant-Colonel of the Canadian Militia with a long service record, but above all a cultured, kind hearted gentleman who by his long and useful life brought credit upon our order for which he entertained the deepest affection.

R. W. Bro. Walter A. Wilson

To none of our esteemed brethren did death come with more startling suddenness than to R. W. Bro. Wilson, who after completing arrangements for attending this communication, was stricken down on the third instant and three days later was tenderly laid to rest by the brethren of the Old Light Lodge No. 184, of which he had been an active member for thirty-six years. He was a man who would have made his influence felt in any sphere of life in which his lot might have been cast.

His name has been intimately associated with the municipal life of the township of West Wawanosh. For many years as assessor he acquired an intimate knowledge of the needs of the township and subsequently served for five years at the council board and for the past eleven years as clerk of the municipality his ripened experience has been of inestimable value to the township. A perusal of the report presented by him last year to Grand Lodge, as D.D.G.M. of Huron District No. 5, furnishes the most convincing evidence of his zeal for Masonry.

W. S. HERRINGTON,
Chairman.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R.W. Bro. W. S. Herrington, and Resolved, That the Report of the Board on the Fraternal Dead be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON THE CONDITION OF MASONRY

R.W. Bro. Thomas Shanks, Chairman of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry, presented the following report:

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on the Condition of Masonry, realizes that a proper study of present tendencies and of future prospects should be comprehensive enough to include the craft both at home and abroad. To measure the progress of Masonry in this jurisdiction alone and only by means of the usual standards that are applied to fraternal and benevolent organizations would be to take an unnecessarily circumscribed outlook. The Grand Lodge that has no interest in the world of Masonry beyond its own territorial jurisdiction and that ignores the great world currents in the history of the fraternity as a whole has no wider vision and no larger sympathy than the subordinate lodge whose enthusiasms and activities are bounded by the four walls that enclose its place of meeting. Such an attitude is not consistent with the spirit of universality that should stimulate a wider knowledge of our own institution.

This Grand Lodge has wisely established a system of governmental machinery which deals with local conditions as well as with important developments that may arise in sister jurisdictions. No Ontario Mason can be called well informed as to the affairs of the craft if he does not read the reports of the Committee of this Grand Lodge on Fraternal Correspondence. In these reports are to be found interesting reviews of the opinions and comments of those who are recognized as Masonic authorities throughout the world. For many years these reviews have formed one of the most readable and instructive parts of our Grand Lodge proceedings. They give evidence of careful preparation and are a treasure-house of information for the investigator searching for the masterpieces of current Masonic literature, or for the student seeking to separate the substantial facts of our history from the myths and fancies of tradition.

A perusal of the work of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence for this year indicates that throughout the world of Anglo-Saxon Masonry to-day, the aims and ideals have a common inspiration, the problems are identical, the practice and ritual are not materially different, the jurisprudence has crystallized into a code which is more remarkable for its uniformity in essentials than for its divergence in minor details, the past has bequeathed the same heritage of honorable achievement and high endeavour, the future looms bright with the same hopes and prospects. The general progress of the institution in sister Grand Lodge jurisdictions is of the most satisfactory character and its powerful influence for good is exerted not only among those of its own circle but upon society at large. Founded upon and governed by the best principles of brotherhood it is doing much to enable men to become masters of themselves and to conquer their envies, their jealousies and their prejudices.

If, on the other hand, one wishes to learn of the present condition and the future prospects of the craft at home there is no better way than to read the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters who have been entrusted with its supervision during the past year. It is one of the duties of this Board to prepare a synopsis of these reports but no summary can do justice to the labours of these trained craftsmen whose ripened experience has been of such inestimable value in guiding and guarding the institution with credit to themselves and with advantage to the lodges which have honored them.

This system of supervision by D.D.G.M.'s, established by the wisdom of our forefathers, and to which so many tributes of praise have been offered, has been an important auxiliary to our progress in the past, and has become more essential and more efficient with the lapse of years. In general, the reports of our District Deputies have wisely been more than statistical data; they have contained suggestions and comments that are the fruit of personal observation and experience and they have enriched the literature of our proceedings with a wealth of detailed and accurate information.

This Board has frequently placed itself on record in the past as to the value of the work done by the re-

representatives of the Grand Master and has offered suggestions as to the form and purpose of their reports. On this subject there is very little new that can be said, but on the principle that it is sometimes well "to see ourselves as others see us," it may be worth while to consider the verdicts of observers in other jurisdictions. The opinions of these reviewers with their kindly expressions of commendation, varied occasionally by a word of admonition, are submitted without comment in the hope that they may relieve a rather threadbare theme with a new point of view. In each case, of course, the quotation has reference to the proceedings of our own Grand Lodge.

Maine

"It may be thought that a large amount of space is given to these reports, but when it is remembered that a brief account of the condition of almost every lodge in the jurisdiction is given 'with facts and figures,' it must be admitted that the expense is wisely incurred. The Grand Lodge had before it an apparently faithful and correct statement of the condition of its lodges. We believe that a system of lodge visitation is absolutely necessary and that the District Deputy system is the best yet devised; and we are beginning to think that our Canadian brethren are working it in a manner not surpassed, if equalled, in any other jurisdiction. These reports enable the Committee to give an exceedingly clear statement of the condition of the Craft, to make the necessary suggestions for the aid of weak lodges, and, in a word, to advise the Grand Lodge intelligently as to what action the good of the Craft requires to be taken."

Nova Scotia

"The jurisdiction possesses an admirable staff of D.D.G.M.'s whose elaborate reports show good and faithful work done in thoroughly Masonic spirit. They make conscientious visits to the lodges, not doling out two-minute fractions of time in conning over a few figures in school-boy fashion, as we too often see them do, but putting forth all their energies in behalf of the Craft; and consulting their consciences instead of their stomachs in the performance of their duties. It is not surprising, however, that the Grand Lodge of

Canada has such efficient D.D.G.M.'s, since these honorable officials are nominated by the representatives of the several lodges, subject to the approval of the Grand Master. Let other Grand Lodges take notice, and govern themselves accordingly."

Iowa

"Two hundred and twenty pages are devoted to the reports of the D.D.G.M.'s. These officers were efficient and serviceable without doubt, but as they are the representatives of the Grand Master we can but wonder why they are not required to report directly to him and allow him to embody in his report such facts of interest as he might deem wise for the good of the craft. The reports embody much repetition, and we question, whether the elaborate detail of visits, banquets, etc., is worth the candle."

Wisconsin

"The reports of the D.D.G.M.'s seldom contain anything of general interest. We venture to assert that outside of the printer and proof reader there are not ten persons in the jurisdiction that ever reads all of them. We dislike to meddle in our neighbour's affairs, but we would suggest the propriety of leaving out these reports and turning the space and money over to the Chairman of Fraternal Correspondence. We think he could make better use of both."

New South Wales

"The reports cover 218 pages, a great deal of it being interesting reading; but, if we may be permitted to criticize it, we would like to say that it might easily be 'boiled down' a bit. Cut all the 'flatteries and gush' out and leave plain figures, and the report would be more appreciated."

South Dakota

"There are no reports of D.D.G.M.'s to compare with those of Canada in interest and instruction. If they were printed separately and distributed to all Masons they would be of great benefit. These officers stand between the lodges and the Grand Master and sift out a great many questions which would cumber

the Grand Master's desk. While we recognize the high character of the Grand Masters who have sat upon Canada's Masonic throne, and gladly concede that they have been in great measure responsible for the greatness of that jurisdiction, we believe that very much has been due also to the ability, fidelity and zeal of her district deputies".

Oklahoma

"The reports of the D.D.G.M's. show a more perfect system of supervision than we find in any others Grand Lodge."

New Mexico

"A great part of this report is taken up with the report of the D.D.G.M's, whose careful work and interest in the Craft renders the Grand Master's duties much less onerous. An unusual statement in this regard, as judged from the reports, is that all the lodges have been visited and inspected except four. Quite a remarkable condition of affairs."

A study of the reports on the past year's work from the various districts reveals much that is calculated to give pride and pleasure to every lover of the fraternity. Peace and prosperity have crowned our labors. No discordant notes have marred the harmony of our intercourse one with another. No discontented factions have arisen to disturb our tranquillity, or retard our progress, or hinder our prosperity. The words of the psalmist may be aptly applied to our fraternal communication, "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." As an evidence of this it may be noted that while there are recorded on our rolls 525 lodges and over 94,000 members, involving the common weaknesses of frail humanity, and embracing men of divergent classes, creeds, and conditions, only 11 cases of grievances, real or imaginary, have come up from the various lodges under our jurisdiction for the consideration of this Grand Lodge.

It is a noteworthy fact that most of the problems that arise in connection with our work as a Grand Lodge have an embarrassing persistency of recurrence

from year to year. To the casual student of our yearly records who reads over and over again of the improvements suggested and of the treatments prescribed for ailments that are as old as our history, and yet as new as yesterday, it might appear that we were ever learning, yet never coming to a knowledge of the truth. The troublesome questions of over half a century ago are in many cases the unsolved difficulties of the present. It is true that the small and scattered membership of that time, and the perplexing conditions arising out of our struggle for support at home and for recognition abroad, along with the varying ceremonies inherited from different mother Grand Lodges, created difficulties peculiar to the early period of our history as an independent and sovereign body. But even a superficial examination will demonstrate that many of the questions then submitted for deliberation are with us yet, not essentially different in character, but more complicated and consequently more likely to produce unpleasantness and irritation.

It may be that these perennial problems are too commonplace for interesting treatment and that very little can be added to the researches of former Committees, but new conditions and adjustments sometimes tend to throw new light on shadowy outlines and hidden angles. With that hope in view a few brief comments are offered on some questions of preeminent interest to all who have at heart the welfare of the craft in this jurisdiction.

Perhaps no topic has received more attention than the caution to be exercised in dealing with the acceptance or rejection of applicants for admission. On one hand we have the warnings of those who feel that the popularity of the Craft is leading it into dangerous channels and that sufficient care is not taken in the selection of proper material. On the other hand we are conscious of the fact that in some cases personal prejudices, local jealousies, and thwarted ambitions lead to a misuse of the blackball and to the exclusion of men whose eligibility is beyond question. The malicious blackballing of desirable applicants, when once determined upon, is a difficult matter to deal with, because it is usually the work of one whose identity is concealed and who cares not whether he stains a brother's

honor with the stigma of his own infamy. But it is doubtful whether this unmanly method of wreaking a petty revenge has done more harm to the craft than the easy and complaisant attitude frequently adopted in investigating the claims of applicants. The admission of one whose public and private life is wholly at variance with our teachings brings discredit on the good name of the institution and repels many whose influence would give it a tone and a character in keeping with its ideals.

Another subject of considerable interest, and one that is not new, is the question of the large lodge, or the small one, and the ultimate effect of the growing tendency, particularly in populous centres, towards the establishment of new lodges. The chief arguments against the large lodge are the inordinate pressure of degree work, the lack of time for social intercourse and the cultivation of a desirable *esprit de corps*, the slow advancement of eligible brethren, who are commendably ambitious for promotion to office, and the danger that an unfeeling machinery of business organization will be substituted for a more congenial atmosphere of character and individuality. On the other hand the opponents of the small lodge contend that the additional financial demands on the members, the improper rivalry that may be engendered, the danger of undue influence being used in the solicitation of candidates, and the weakening of sister lodges, whose prospects are not too promising, are factors that create an unhealthy condition in the Masonic life of certain communities.

Varying local conditions make it necessary at times to ask the question whether it is better to encourage the establishment of new lodges, or to advocate the amalgamation of existing ones but this is a problem that must be left to the wisdom of the rulers of the craft whose salutary influence and whose intimate knowledge of the particular jurisdictions affected have so often guided the fraternity in similar emergencies. As an example of the changing circumstances which indicate the difficulty of reaching a wise decision it may be noted that thirty-nine years ago the D.D.G.M. of the Ottawa District reported as follows:

"In the city of Ottawa we have altogether too many lodges; we have seven, where three would be ample."

But the seven which then existed are to-day in a flourishing condition and seven more, which recruit their members wholly or partly from the same territory, have since been established.

Thirty-eight years ago the D.D.G.M. of the Toronto District wrote:

"I am strongly of opinion that there are too many lodges; had we fewer, there would be less desire on the part of the officers for increase of membership, which mistaken zeal causes undesirable competition and is productive of much evil."

It may be inferred from this that the fifteen lodges which then existed in the city of Toronto had a difficult struggle to maintain their standing but these fifteen have all grown to a vigorous manhood and forty-seven more have since been organized to serve the needs of that populous centre.

Another question, venerable with age, but still a continual companion of our annual communications, and which is introduced anew by several D.D.G.M.'s has reference to the laxity with which the dues of members are allowed to accumulate. Attention has already been called in this report to the necessity of safeguarding the order against a policy of indiscriminate admission, and a caution has been sounded as to the effect of the dangerous rivalry which may result from the excessive multiplication of lodges. Closely allied with these questions is that of the financial standing of the subordinate lodge, and the plan upon which its revenues and expenditures are balanced. The lodge that must depend on initiation or joining fees in order to meet its ordinary financial obligations is not in a sound position. It is forced to reckon prosperity in terms of the amount of degree work. In its heyday of power, when the tide of applications flows incessantly, it eats, drinks and is merry. It lavishes its easily gained revenues without thought of the morrow. But when at last the ebb tide comes and the thoughtless revellers are faced with a prospective deficit they must

turn to the saner consideration of placing their finances on a sound basis, or the more humiliating attitude of dependence on the fickle whims of the multitude, whose regard for Masonry may be temporarily coloured by the amount of advertising it receives.

A Grand Master in one of the strongest of our sister jurisdictions has dealt with this question in so forcible a manner that it may be advisable to quote:

“While fees are and always will be a part of the receipts of a lodge, they are not and should not be considered as necessary receipts. In other words, every lodge ought to be absolutely self-sustaining whether a candidate is admitted during the year or not. And the word ‘self-sustaining’ must be liberally interpreted—it must include every legitimate function which a lodge ought to fulfil in the community in which it is located, with some funds to spare for a rainy day. Not a single item of current running expenses, light, heat, water, necessary supplies, and the upkeep of paraphernalia ought to depend upon the fees from candidates. If indebtedness is owed upon a temple, that also should be included, in estimating the dues which each member participating in lodge benefits should pay for his privileges. If we build our lodge prosperity upon the fees of candidates we have (1) either an uncertain existence, or (2) the incentive to stimulate business by solicitation. Either alternative is bad, though the latter is the worse of the two. And if this Grand Lodge shall adopt some plan of annual inspection, as I believe that it should, no lodge, large or small, should be allowed to maintain its necessary expenses through the fees received. The dues should be the lodge’s life sustenance.”

The district reports indicate that subordinate lodges and individual members have not been forgetful of their duties towards those who are so unfortunate as to have to depend upon the benevolence of others. The Grand Master in his inspiring addresses has brought this important subject before the many lodges he has visited and the question of some extension of our present system will probably receive consideration at this annual communication. In this connection it may be well to recall the words of the first Grand Master of this Grand Lodge uttered sixty-two years ago:

“The difficulties which beset the early movements of the Grand Lodge of Canada have all disappeared as morning dews. Its course has been blessed by unexampled prosperity. Honored abroad, advancing at home, free from all disturbing or counteracting influences, the sheen of its glory undisturbed by any cloud of discord, it is surely the time to remember those who are called to suffer to wipe tears from sorrowing eyes, and to shed the beams of hope on despairing hearts; to raise a monument of our gratitude, and to devote it to sad and to distressed brethren. Whatever form your benevolent efforts may assume I am assured they will be worthy of yourselves; of the circumstances of our history, and of the principles which it is our duty to exemplify. We have the example of the venerable Grand Lodge of England as an incentive and guide; and although we may not hope to equal the regal magnificence of her charitable institutions, animated by the same spirit we may imitate her zeal, piety and devotion, and do for our brethren, for their widows and their orphaned descendants, all that England does for hers.”

Many of the D.D.G.M's refer to our material prosperity and to our remarkable gains in numerical strength during the last few years. The unusual interest taken in Masonry following the great world war deserves some study. It was not a local interest alone, for the increase in members was common to all Grand Lodge jurisdictions throughout the world. There are those who ascribe the desire to join the order to a growing sentiment during war time that the individual was lost who relied too much on personal independence and who refused to recognize the value of organization and companionship. The discipline and machinery of a great institution were brought home to the man who had seen what had been accomplished by the orderly co-ordination and fraternal helpfulness of a common purpose and a great ideal. A decided impetus was no doubt given to Masonic membership by the growing sentiment that the fraternity provides a weapon to resist the encroachments of movements that were calculated to usurp power and foster privilege, currents that would tend to move backward the hands on the dial of time and that would not only impede progress but would forfeit the gains that had

been made on fields crimsoned by the blood of our fathers.

It may be that more practical and less unselfish reasons had a powerful influence in attracting some. The natural inclination to achieve power and to be on the side of the heavy battalions, the hope that protection would be gained under the shelter of an influential organization, and the more individual and personal feeling of security from danger and persecution when allied with an institution that could raise its voice in protest—these no doubt were reasons that induced some to apply for membership. If, on the other hand, one considers the happier reasons that may have exerted an influence, it cannot be denied that many have joined because they felt that the Masonic order stood for something which the world sorely needed. They may have strained every fibre in the great contest, but they came out of it with the nausea of war strong and impelling. They had no time to argue as to whether war was good or bad, but they had without hesitation entered the fight to save the ideals for which civilization had been struggling all through the recorded period of time. But now that the world had been saved, they felt that something better was surely in store for humanity; they hoped to find a way that would lead to the poet's dream—

“That somehow good
Would be the final goal of ill,”

and turned their eyes towards Masonry as the exemplar of brotherhood, the beacon light of a better way than war, and famine and disease. They looked with anxious eyes for some enlightening influence that would save the human race from the scourge of hatred and envy and malice, that led to the dire decision of the sword. And in this searching for a star of hope they naturally turned to the shrine of Masonry with its teachings of toleration, liberty and brotherly love.

In these days of rapid growth it cannot be too often repeated that the greatest vigilance should be exercised to guard the craft against the encroachments of those who join it for selfish or improper motives. The ballot and the investigation can do much but with all

the sources of information at our command, there is the limitation that we cannot search the hearts of men and we cannot read their thoughts. Undoubtedly many join with honest purpose and unselfish motive. They soon find an organization ready at hand which they hope to use as an instrument for the propagation of certain theories which are truths to them, and for the advancement of various schemes which are considered by them as essential and proper steps to progress. From the standpoint of the individual, carried away by an abnormal enthusiasm for some particular phase of activity, the control and manipulation of a well organized body of men is of great importance and the purpose may be honorable and above reproach. He merely subordinates his Masonic enthusiasm to some other, whose force is more potent and impelling. The reason invariably is that Masonry has not presented to him some ideal which places it as a thing apart with a definite object in view, and has not impressed him as of sufficient sincerity to justify its being kept on a plane of its own. But there are certain activities the scope and purpose and method of which come within the arena of controversy. To one man they may be desirable; to another they seem doubtful, and to a third, despicable. If Masonry is dragged into the contentious and bitter strife of religious or political discord because of the views of some of its members its purposes are being prostituted and its pure altars are being polluted by the introduction of petty partyism. Its standing as an institution with outstanding ideals of its own is imperilled and it steps back to the humiliating position of being used as an auxiliary for some organization whose publicity experts are more aggressive or whose catch-words are more attractive. In this connection it is well to remember—

“A little fire is quickly trodden out,
Which, being suffered, rivers cannot quench.”

It has been said before, and the statement is important enough to bear frequent repetition, that increased membership demands increased vigilance and brings new responsibilities. It can hardly be expected that any human organization has the power to reduce the varying types that compose its membership into a homogeneous judgment as to the diverse problems that

have forced thinking men into opposing camps, and it is well that this power does not exist. But the need for some essential uniformity must thrust itself before the attention of anyone who is anxious to perpetuate an institution hoary with an antiquity whose wisdom has been sifted out by the labors of our forefathers, and yet throbbing with the impulses and hopes and aspirations of an era that is ever new and ever changing. There is greater danger in a visionary clamor for new gods than in a regard for time-honored customs that have passed through the fires of experience; there is need for the sobering influence and the solidity of a well-balanced institution whose symbols and teachings all breathe the spirit of respect and reverence for the best traditions of the past, and whose abhorrence of fitful and capricious change has succeeded in guiding it safely through the devious channels of popular fancy, or the changing ebb and flow of public opinion. Masonry is progressive but its progress should be guided by careful deliberation and sane judgment. There is evidence enough at present that we should not be carried away by the noisy battle cries of the irresponsible revolutionary, or on the other hand lulled to an apathetic sleep by the memories of a remote past. Let Masonry in this time of test and trial be true to its ideals.

“Still in thy right hand carry gentle peace,
To silence envious tongues: be just, and fear not;
Let all the ends thou aim'st at be thy country's,
Thy God's, and truth's.”

Fraternally submitted,

THOMAS SHANKS,

Chairman.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R.W. Bro. Thomas Shanks, and Resolved, That the Report of the Board on the Condition of Masonry be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

R.W. Bro. John A. Rowland, Chairman of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, presented the following report:

(1) **Barton Lodge No. 6, Hamilton, v. William J. Griffith**

The facts of this case are set out in the 1921 Proceedings at page 282. Bro. Griffith is now under suspension and was duly notified to appear at this Meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled from the Craft. He has not appeared. The Committee therefore recommend that he be expelled.

(2) **Zeta Lodge No. 410, Toronto, v. Burnett Brodziak.**

This case also came up last year and the facts are reported at page 282 of the 1921 Proceedings. Bro. Brodziak is now under suspension and was notified to appear at this Meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled. A number of letters have been handed to the Committee speaking very favorably of the accused and asking for leniency for him. Making full allowance for everything that has been said on his behalf, there is nothing to either excuse or extenuate his offence. It may be that the future conduct of the accused will be such as to entitle him to favorable consideration, in which case he will be at liberty to apply for reinstatement in the regular way. In the meantime the Committee can see no reason for departing from the usual course in such cases and they therefore recommend that he be expelled.

(3) **Dalhousie Lodge No. 52, Ottawa, v. Godfrey J. Artz.**

This Bro. was convicted of theft at Ottawa in December last and sentenced to three years in the Kingston Penitentiary. He was subsequently placed on trial by the Lodge, found guilty, suspended and recommended for expulsion. The Committee recommend that he be summoned to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next Annual Meeting to show cause why he should not be expelled from the Craft, and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

(4) **St. Johns Lodge No. 40, Hamilton, v. J. E. Hardy**

This Bro. was charged with un-Masonic conduct involving drunkenness and profligacy, tried by the Lodge, found guilty, suspended and recommended for expulsion. Both the verdict and the penalty are amply justified by the evidence. The Committee therefore recommend that he be summoned to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next Annual Meeting, to show cause why he should not be expelled from the Craft, and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

(5) **St. Johns Lodge No. 104, Norwich.**

This is an application to be relieved from payment of the usual \$20.00 to legalize the advancement of a candidate within the pre-

scribed time. The regular meeting of the Lodge fell on the evening of May 24th, 1921. At an emergent Meeting held on the evening of May 25th, Bro. Daykin was initiated, and was subsequently passed to the Second Degree at a regular meeting on June 21st. The Lodge base their application on the fact that they were only one day short of the required time. Grand Lodge has repeatedly ruled, however, that the provisions of Section 204 must be strictly and literally observed, and the Committee have, therefore, no alternative but to recommend that the application be disallowed.

(6) **Stirling Lodge No. 69, Stirling.**

This is also a case of the advancement of a candidate within the prescribed time. Bro. W. F. Lynn was initiated into Stirling Lodge on the 30th of September, 1920, and at their request received his Second Degree in Dundalk Lodge on the 25th of October, 1920. One or other of these Lodges was at fault. The Secretary of Stirling Lodge says that he wrote to Dundalk Lodge asking them to pass and raise Bro. Lynn, and that he is quite sure that he gave them the date of his initiation, but it is quite apparent that he has no clear recollection in the matter. Dundalk Lodge say they are unable to find any trace of the letter, and in the absence of specific notice to the contrary they were surely entitled to assume that the Bro. was eligible for advancement at any time after they received the request. The onus is clearly on Stirling Lodge and they have not discharged it. The Committee therefore recommend that the application of Stirling Lodge be disallowed. They also desire to call attention to the language of Grand Lodge in a similar case in 1918, that:

"The request by one Lodge to another to confer a degree upon a "Brother should be by resolution of the Lodge, wherein the date "of initiation and of the conferring of any other degree should be "clearly set forth."

(7) **Copetstone Lodge No. 373, Welland, v. David Jones.**

Complaint was made to the M.W. the Grand Master in March last, that W. Bro. David Jones, a Past Master of Copetstone Lodge was selling, particularly among the new members of his Lodge, an American publication representing it to contain the ritualistic work of the Order. A Commission was appointed to enquire into the matter. Apparently they were unable to get into communication with Bro. Jones at the time, but they did make an informal investigation and subsequently reported to the Grand Master that from the evidence submitted to them they were satisfied that the charge was well founded. The Grand Master then suspended Bro. Jones until the meeting of Grand Lodge. Bro. Jones has appealed from the Order of Suspension and has filed with the Committee a statement of his defence. The Committee recommend that the matter be referred back, that a formal charge be preferred against Bro. Jones and that he be placed on trial in the usual way at as early a date as possible and that in the meantime his suspension be continued.

(8) **Bro. Charles H. Stock, Toronto.**

Complaint was recently made to the M.W. the Grand Master that Bro. Chas. H. Stock, a member of Orient and War Veterans Lodges, Toronto, was selling a publication purporting to contain the

ritual of the Craft, and he was suspended until this meeting of Grand Lodge. Bro. Stock has written admitting the charge, expressing his sincere regrets for his offence and undertaking that it will not be repeated. Bro. Stock is a comparatively young Mason and the committee feel sure that he acted without a proper appreciation of the nature of his conduct and are prepared to accept his assurances in the matter. They therefore recommend that his suspension be now removed.

(9) Belmont Lodge No. 190, Belmont, v. Bancroft Lodge No. 482 Bancroft.

This matter came before Grand Lodge last year, and it was held that Bancroft Lodge was guilty of an invasion of the jurisdiction of Belmont Lodge by initiating Bro. Wm. F. Hamlyn. Nothing was said in last year's report about the penalty to be imposed and Bancroft Lodge now asks to be relieved from the penalty usually imposed in cases of this kind. The Committee are of the opinion that this is not a case in which any extreme penalty should be imposed. Bancroft Lodge apparently acted in good faith and not without a colour of right. While the home of the candidate was in the jurisdiction of Belmont Lodge, he carried on his business and spent by far the greater portion of his time within the jurisdiction of Bancroft Lodge, and membership in the latter Lodge was likely to be of considerably more use to him than in the former. The Committee feel that a fair disposition of the matter would be to divide the initiation fee, after deducting the cost of Grand Lodge registration and apron, equally between the two Lodges, and to remit the usual fee for a dispensation.

(10) Enterprise Lodge No. 516, Beachburg, v. Wm. G. Fisher, A. Gerald, James Bennie and Earl Beauprie

A commission was appointed some time ago to investigate a charge of un-Masonic conduct against W. Bro. William G. Fisher, then Worshipful Master, Bro. A. Gerald, then Senior Deacon, Bro. James Bennie, then Inner Guard, and Earl Beauprie, a Master Mason member of Enterprise Lodge, No. 516, Beachburg. The charges against these brethren were theft and receiving stolen goods. They all admit their guilt, and state that they have made complete restitution to the parties concerned. The Commission make no recommendation as to punishment. The case is a very serious one, and the Committee recommend that these brethren be suspended and be notified to appear before the Board of General Purposes and Grand Lodge at the next Annual Meeting to show cause why they should not be expelled from the Craft.

(11) Doric Lodge No. 316, Toronto, v. J. A. Kelley.

Bro. Kelly was charged before Doric Lodge with un-Masonic conduct under the following circumstances:

Bro. Kelley is a member of the Toronto Typographical Union, and at the time of the writing of the letter referred to herein, was on strike. Bro. Norris, to whom the letter was written, was also a printer and was employed by the Toronto Saturday Night. It came to the knowledge of Bro. Kelley that Bro. Norris, who was a

member of a Lodge in Manitoba, intended to make application for affiliation with a Lodge in Toronto. Bro. Kelley then wrote him a letter bearing date the 3rd of January, 1922, advising him before making his application to go to the Strike Committee of the Union at the Labor Temple and square things with them, adding that that "would insure a safe and speedy entry into a Lodge of members standing four-square for all that is fair and upright in life." The M.W. Grand Master appointed Rt. W. Bros. Dargavel, Duncan and Smith and V.W. Bro. Pearson to investigate the charge. Bro. Kelley appeared before the Commission, admitted the writing of the letter, but stated that the letter was not intended to be taken in any sense as a threat. The Commission therefore report, "While Bro. Kelley was indiscreet in sending such a letter, they are of the opinion that no serious offence was intended and that the penalty should be a reprimand." It is not the usual custom of this Committee to review the findings of a Lodge or a Commission in a Masonic trial where there is evidence to support those findings, and they therefore accept and endorse the recommendation of the Commission. In doing so, however, they wish to point out that in their opinion the Commission took a very charitable view of Bro. Kelley's conduct. Had he intended the letter to be a threat it is difficult to see what more effective language he could have used for the purpose. The offence charged is in itself a very serious one. Masonry comprises within its ranks members in all walks of life, and seeks, by bringing men together under favorable auspices to promote a better understanding among them. Nothing would more quickly or more completely destroy the usefulness of the Order than to permit Lodges to become the scenes of private bickerings or quarrels, or to allow the Masonic ballot to be used as a weapon of offence in disputes of any kind, whether political, religious or industrial.

Faternally submitted,

JOHN A. ROWLAND,

Chairman.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. A. Rowland, and Resolved, That the Report of the Board on Grievances and Appeals be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON CONSTITUTION AND LAWS

M.W. Bro. Burritt, Chairman of the Committee on Constitution and Laws, read the following report:

The Board of General Purposes, through its Committee on Constitution and Laws begs to report as follows:—

1.—Oakwood Lodge, Toronto, which obtained its charter which gave permission to meet in York Lodge, Toronto, until it secured premises of its own, wishes to purchase land for lodge purposes just outside the city limits, where it can be procured at a reasonable price, and desires to know if it does so, can it retain concurrent jurisdiction

(which it now has) with the Toronto Lodges. Section 186 enacts that no Lodge shall initiate a candidate whose place of residence is within the jurisdiction of another Lodge, unless in a town or city where there are more Lodges than one, in which case the Lodges have concurrent jurisdiction. Your Board is of the opinion that if it establishes its premises outside of the city limits it loses its right of concurrent jurisdiction unless and until it secures an amendment of its warrant allowing a preservation of its right to concurrent jurisdiction with the city Lodges, and your Board would recommend that such amendment be granted.

2.—Royal Edward Lodge, U. D., Kingston, purchased as regalia, the apron and collars not being in conformity with Section 262 of the Constitution respecting Masonic clothing, and desires permission to use them notwithstanding the slight defects. Your Board is of the opinion, and so recommend, that the provision of the said Section be strictly followed, as want of uniformity is not desirable.

3.—The Lodges in St. Catharines have sent to the Grand Secretary papers showing that they have formed a local Board of Relief, in accordance with the pre-requisites of Rule 2 respecting Benevolence. Your Board approves of their by-laws, which were forwarded to the Grand Secretary and recommend that it be considered a duly constituted Board of Relief under Grand Lodge.

4.—The report of a Special Committee appointed at our Communication in July last at Ottawa to report upon an organization known as the "Grotto," referred to in the address of the M.W., the Grand Master at Ottawa. There appears to be nothing touching the question of a breach of the Constitution, and your Board has nothing to recommend to you, and the report of the Special Committee will go to you in the usual way for consideration.

NOTICES OF MOTION

For the information of those brethren particularly who are in Grand Lodge for the first time, this Committee desires to say, with respect to Notices of Motion to amend the Constitution, it has nothing to do with the merits of any motion, but simply to enquire and report to you through the Board whether any motion conflicts with any existing Section of the Constitution in such case or cases where the mover of the motion has not fortified himself by placing in said motion a clause to amend the section of the Constitution infringed upon so as to harmonize:—

5.—Motion (1) of M.W. Bro. W. D. MacPherson, "Auxiliary Lodge." There is no legal objection to this motion going before Grand Lodge.

6.—Motion (2) by R. W. Bro. A. M. Cunningham. Mode of electing D.D.G. Masters. There is no legal objection to this motion going before Grand Lodge.

7.—Motion (3) by W. R. Bro. E. J. Repath (to amend 199A). There is no legal objection to this motion going to Grand Lodge.

8.—Motion (4) by R. W. Bro. J. C. Lymburner, to amend Sec. 233. This motion does not repeal Sec. 233 and is therefore defective and unintelligible and cannot be discussed.

9.—Motion (5) by R. W. Bro. E. A. James, to amend Sec. 246, respecting Petition of New Lodges. There is no legal objection to this motion going before Grand Lodge.

10.—Motion (6) by M.W. Bro. J. H. Burrirt, to repeal Sec. 179 respecting Lodge By-laws and enact a new section. There no legal objection to this motion going before Grand Lodge.

11.—Motion (7) by R. W. Bro. J. A. Rowland, to amend Sec. 192, respecting balloting for Candidates. There is no legal objection to this motion going before Grand Lodge.

12.—Motions 8 to 14, both inclusive. There is no legal objection to any and all of these motions going before Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

JAS. H. BURRITT,

Chairman.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by M.W. Bro. J. H. Burrirt, and Resolved, That the Report of the Board on Constitution and Laws be received and adopted.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE GROTTO

M.W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt read the report of the Special Committee appointed at the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge to report upon an organization known as the Grotto, as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers, and Members of the Grand Lodge, A.F. and A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario: Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee appointed at the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge in Ottawa last year, to report upon an organization known as the "Grotto", referred to in the Grand Master's address, beg to say that they have met on several occasions, have gone very fully into the whole matter and have investigated as closely as possible the conditions surrounding the existence of this organization in other jurisdictions, and its present and probable influence here, and respectfully present the following report, which is concurred in by all the members of the committee.

Your committee bases its recommendations upon the following premises:

1. That it is not in the power of any man, or body of men, to make innovations in the body of Masonry, and,

2. That in the construction of our duty we should hold that whatever is doubtful is dangerous, and any introduction of alien agencies must be interdicted as soon as it becomes known, and

3. That while we make no claim of right to interfere with non-masonic bodies, and do not wish to comment on the merits or demerits of the organization, as such, known as "The Mystic Order of Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm," yet the fact that it demands Masonic affiliation as a pre-requisite for membership, presumes a connection with Masonry which is calculated to cause, not only the non-masonic world, but also the inexperienced Mason to believe the organization to be a legitimate adjunct of our fraternity, and,

4. That this Grand Lodge has exclusive control over its membership in every relation ordained by this Grand Lodge.

Your Committee therefore recommend:—

That it be made unlawful from henceforth for any Freemason under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge to become a member of the organization hereinbefore referred to.

Fraternally submitted,

W. H. WARDROPE,
Chairman.

It was moved by M.W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt and seconded by R.W. Bro. Geo. Moore, That the report of the Committee be received and adopted.

It was moved in amendment by M.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson and seconded by M.W. Bro. W. R. White, That the Report of the Special Committee regarding "the Mystic Order of Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm," otherwise referred to as the "Grotto", be amended by striking out the recommendation of the Committee, and by inserting instead thereof the following:

"That as regards any Organization, Lodge or Society unaffiliated with, or not now recognized by Masonry in our jurisdiction, it shall be and is hereby declared to be improper and unlawful for any Freemason under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge to become a member of such an organization, lodge or society, if membership in the Craft is in any way or to any extent a prerequisite to membership therein, unless such organization, lodge or society at the time has received and continues to possess the express recognition and approval of this Grand Lodge. In the event of any question arising as to whether any particular organization, lodge or society now in operation requires the recognition and approval of this Grand Lodge, the question shall be decided by the Board of General Purposes, subject to review by this Grand Lodge."

It was moved in amendment to the amendment by R.W. Bro. Lyman Lee, and seconded by R.W. Bro. John Hoodless,

That the premises contained in the report of the Special Committee on the Grotto be amended by striking out the premises contained therein and numbered 2, 3 and 4 and the recommendation after such three premises in the said report, and by substituting the following recommendation in lieu of the recommendation so struck out, namely: "That no action be taken by this Grand Lodge with reference to the Grotto."

After discussion, the amendment to the amendment was put to the vote and declared to be lost. The amendment was put to the vote and declared to be carried. The report of the committee so amended was received and adopted.

The Grand Master then called for nominations for the elective offices of Grand Lodge and the next place of meeting.

The Grand Master appointed the following scrutineers of the ballot, who were duly sworn in:

V.W. Bro. W. H. Davis, (Chairman), W. Bros. W. D. Connor, D. G. Shearer, R. R. Davis, J. H. Bates, J. Tew, W. Newett, E. Lee, J. W. McNabb, F. H. Nairn, J. W. Will, S. H. Hutt, J. Pease, R. L. Dunn, A. M. McComb, J. McIntosh, O. M. Rombough, A. M. Heron, H. H. W. Nesbitt, F. R. Martin, J. Malcolm, M. F. Small, T. C. Johnson, V. K. Stalford, W. Stirling, J. E. Jeffrey, J. A. Morrison, B. P. Johnston, W. T. Cameron, F. W. Huffman, W. D. Douglas, H. S. Galloway, A. B. Evans, R. Carson, C. Russell, J. W. Wyllie, J. D. Forrest, T. H. Gillespie, T. Proudfoot, J. McNeilly, B. Cairns and S. A. Waite.

CALLED OFF.

Grand Lodge was called from labor at 7.30 p.m. to meet again at 10 a.m. the following day.

THURSDAY, JULY 20th, 1922.

CALLED ON

Grand Lodge resumed labor at 10 a.m. the Grand Master on the Throne.

The Grand Master took occasion to report briefly on the splendid untyled meeting of the previous evening, held in the Orpheum Theatre, where an audience of over a thousand listened with pleasure to stirring addresses from our distinguished visitors, M.W. Bros. A. B. Baird, G.M. of Manitoba; S. Y. Taylor, P.G.M., of Alberta; J. A. Ovas, P.G.M. of Manitoba; Herman Held, G.M. of Minnesota and Walter L. Stockwell, P.G.M. of North Dakota.

CONSIDERATION OF NOTICES OF MOTION

(1) The proposed resolution regarding the formation of Auxiliary Lodges (See Notice of Motion) was deferred for consideration until the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, on motion of M.W. Bros. W. D. McPherson and W. R. White.

(2) On Motion of R.W. Bro. Lyman Lee, seconded by R.W. Bro. W. M. Logan, the proposed resolution concerning a change in the mode of electing the District Deputy Grand Masters (See Notice of Motion) was deferred for consideration until the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

(3) It was moved by W. Bro. E. J. Repath seconded by R.W. Bro. A. J. Anderson and resolved that clause No. 199A of the Constitution be amended as follows:

The words "Demits issued to members of such lodges in arrears for dues," to be inserted after the word "therein" in the fifth line of section 199A.

That clause No. 199B of the Constitution be amended as follows:

The words, "The names of demitted members in arrears for dues," to be inserted after the word "thereof" in the twelfth line of section 199B.

(4) The notice of motion respecting a change in section 233 of the Constitution was not presented (See Report of Committee on Constitution and Laws.)

(5) No one being present to propose the resolution respecting an amendment of section 246 of the Constitution, the motion was dropped.

(6) It was moved by M.W. Bro. J. H. Burritt, seconded by R.W. Bro. E. B. Brown, and resolved, That section 179 of the Constitution be repealed and the following be enacted in lieu thereof:

179. Every lodge may frame by-laws for its own government, which must be in harmony with the Constitution. For the Grand Master's approval, after they have been confirmed by the lodge, there must be sent to the Grand Secretary said by-laws in duplicate under the seal of the lodge. The requirements for approval of amendments shall be (1) Certified copy of the existing by-laws; (2) A certified copy in duplicate of that portion of the minutes of the lodge meeting at which a notice of motion is given, setting out in full the proposed motion; (3) A certified copy of the Summons for the meeting at which the motion is to be made, which includes the proposed motion, and (4) A certificate in duplicate signed by the W. Master and Secretary and under the seal of the lodge that the motion to amend, setting it out, was carried by the requisite majority. All necessary dates to be given, and no by-laws or amendments shall be valid until so submitted and approved.

(7) It was moved by R.W. Bro. J. A. Rowland, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. McC. Potts, and Resolved, That section 192 of the Constitution be amended by adding thereto the following sub-section 192J: "Notwithstanding the provisions of section 192, sub-section E., the Worshipful Master may require the brethren to ballot at the altar and may give all necessary directions for that purpose."

(8) The proposed motion to amend Section 191 of the Constitution was withdrawn by consent of Grand Lodge.

(9) The proposed motion to amend section 193 of the Constitution was withdrawn by consent of Grand Lodge.

(10) It was moved by R.W. Bro. A. J. Young, seconded by R.W. Bro. W. M. Logan and Resolved, That section 186 of the Constitution be amended to read as follows:

No lodge shall initiate a candidate whose residence is within the jurisdiction of another Lodge unless in a

town or city where there are more Lodges than one, in which case the Lodges shall have concurrent jurisdiction. The jurisdiction extends in every direction half way to the nearest Lodge except in Masonic Districts No. 17, Algoma; No. 18, Nipissing, and No. 22, Temiskaming, in which Districts the jurisdiction may be governed by the line of nearest railway travel as they now or may from time to time exist.

(11) It was moved by R.W. Bro. H. T. Smith, seconded by V.W. Bro. J. S. Whealy, and Resolved, That Section 262 of the Constitution be amended by adding after the last paragraph of the section:

“That a Lodge which has attained its one hundredth year of continuous and active service in the Craft be entitled as a special marking of such features to have, if so desired, the jewels of its officers made of gold or gold plated, the aprons of the officers to have the ornamentations and edgings or fringe in gold and the trimmings of the Master Mason’s aprons also finished in gold.”

(12) It was moved by R.W. Bro. Thos. Rowe, seconded by M.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson and Resolved, That the following amendments be and are hereby made in the Constitution and in the Rules respecting Benevolence, namely:—

Sec. 2, Line 7, Delete all the words after “One year” and insert the following:

“Or which has not complied with section No. 4 (a) of the Rules Respecting Benevolence, shall be permitted to vote at any session thereof until such returns, payments and requirements respectively shall have been completed.”

Sec. 160, Line 9, Delete all words after “one year” and insert as above.

RULES RESPECTING BENEVOLENCE

1. (Line 2). Before the word “deceased” insert the words “living or.” Line 9, omit “in its return.”

3. (Line 3). Delete “They shall be..... in possession of” and insert, “It shall be the duty of the Worshipful Master of the Lodge to see that they are sent to, etc.”

Add new Rule, No. 4 (a), as follows: It shall be the duty of every Lodge to see that applications for renewals of grants are sent to the Grand Secretary for those beneficiaries who have been receiving through the lodge a grant from Grand Lodge in the current year and who are still in need of relief: said applications to be in the hands of the Grand Secretary by the first of June in each year.

Omit Rules 7, 8 and 9.

No. 10, Delete the words "and returns."

11. Delete all words after "Mason" and substitute "unless in exceptional cases, with the authority of the Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master and the Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence."

12. Delete all of the second sentence, commencing with "It shall also, etc."

14. Delete all words after "respecting the" and substitute the following: "Applications for relief recommended by local boards of relief and by lodges."

CALLED OFF

Grand Lodge was called from labor at 1.00 p.m., to meet again at 2.30 p.m.

CALLED ON

Grand Lodge resumed labor at 2.30 p.m. the Grand Master on the Throne.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

M.W. Bro. W. R. White, read the report of the Special Committee on the address of the Grand Master, as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

The special committee appointed to consider and report upon the address of the M.W. the Grand Master begs leave to report as follows:

After a careful perusal of this most admirable address the committee finds nothing to criticise and has no hesitation in designating it one of the finest deliverances every presented to Grand Lodge by

any Grand Master. It will forever be cherished as a classic in the proceedings of Grand Lodge as a guide and example to future Grand Masters.

The committee cordially approves of opinions and recommendations made by the Grand Master.

The amount of Masonic work done by the M.W. the Grand Master during his year of office was enormous and shows that he neglected no opportunity to advance the interest of masonry within this jurisdiction. His recommendations this committee approves.

The committee recommends that a special committee be appointed to make careful enquiry as to the best mode of carrying out the Grand Master's recommendation as to a masonic home or school, and the necessity of such an institution, or institutions, and to estimate the cost of the construction of the buildings and the fund necessary for its maintenance annually and such other information as may be necessary to enable Grand Lodge at its next meeting to intelligently discuss the scheme, such committee to report at the next meeting of Grand Lodge.

The portions of the address referring to the Royal Family and to His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales, expresses the sterling loyalty of the Grand Master and the sentiments of this Grand Lodge.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

W. R. WHITE,
Chairman.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by M.W. Bro. W. R. White, and Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on the Grand Master's address be received and adopted.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by M.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson and Resolved, That a cablegram be sent to the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, assuring him of our sympathy and support in the gallant and loyal struggle in this time of trial, and that a Trust Fund be and hereby is established and set aside of One Thousand Pounds sterling, which sum shall be available in case of need for the aid of our Irish Brethren in their great struggle, to be paid out from time to time on requisition and on the approval of the Grand Master of this Grand Lodge for the time being.

It was moved by M.W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, seconded by M.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, and Resolved, that a Fund of Two Thousand Dollars, to be called the Emergency Benevolent Fund, be set aside

to be paid out at the discretion of the Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, the Grand Treasurer, the Grand Secretary and the Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence.

It was moved by the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by R.W. Bro. A. J. Anderson and Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to investigate and report at the next Annual Communication upon the whole question of Masonic Homes, Hospitals and Schools as recommended in the report on the Grand Master's address.

The Grand Master appointed to this Committee: R.W. Bro. R. B. Dargavel, Chairman; M.W. Bros. H. Robertson, Sir John M. Gibson, W. R. White, E. T. Malone, J. E. Harding, J. H. Burrill, A. T. Freed, W. D. McPherson, W. H. Wardrope, F. W. Harcourt, R. W. Bros. A. J. Anderson, D. A. Esdale, W. S. Herrington, J. S. Martin, J. F. Reid, Thos. Rowe, and A. J. Young.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

The following brethren, having been regularly nominated by the Past Masters and representatives of Lodges of the various districts, were duly confirmed in office by the M.W. the Grand Master.

No.	District	D.D.G.M.	P.O. Address
1.....	Erie.....	Wm. T. Turner.....	Windsor
1a.....	Erie.....	Walter T. Jeffs.....	Dresden
2.....	St. Clair.....	Richard Williamson.....	Watford
3.....	London.....	Benjamin Noble.....	London
4.....	South Huron.....	Charles E. Richardson.....	St. Marys
5.....	North Huron.....	Theodore Morris.....	Palmerston
6.....	Wilson.....	James G. Archibald.....	Woodstock
7.....	Wellington.....	Cyrus O. Hemphill.....	Waterloo
8.....	Hamilton.....	Frank Hills.....	Hamilton
9.....	Georgian.....	David S. Morrow.....	Beeton
10.....	Niagara.....	Wm. F. Fawcett.....	Port Colborne
11.....	Toronto West.....	James A. Slade.....	Toronto
11a.....	Toronto East.....	Percival J. Lee.....	Toronto
11b.....	Toronto Centre.....	Ernest A. Lewis.....	Toronto
12.....	Ontario.....	James Moore.....	Brooklin
13.....	Prince Edward.....	Robert A. Backus.....	Belleville
14.....	Frontenac.....	Aubrey L. Lott.....	Gananoque
15.....	St. Lawrence.....	Richard A. Patterson.....	Kemptville
16.....	Ottawa.....	Alexander H. McKee.....	Ottawa
17.....	Algoma.....	Wm. J. Ferguson.....	Port Arthur
18.....	Nipissing.....	James A. Smith.....	North Bay

No.	District	D.D.G.M.	P.O. Address
19.....	Muskoka.....	Arthur M. Church.....	Sundridge
20.....	Victoria.....	Robert Wm. Groves.....	Lindsay
21.....	Eastern.....	Archibald D. McRae.....	Vankleek Hill
22.....	Temiskaming.....	Frank K. Ebbitt.....	Iroquois Falls
23.....	Brant.....	George Ryerson.....	Brantford
24.....	Bruce.....	James E. Campbell.....	Hepworth
25.....	Grey.....	John D. Leitch.....	Erin

The District Deputy Grand Masters elect were regularly installed and invested by M.W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, with the exception of R.W. Bro. W. F. Fawcett, of Niagara District, No. 10, who was subsequently installed by R.W. Bro. J. C. Lymburner.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

V.W. Bro. W. H. Davis, Chairman of the Committee of Scrutineers, presented the following report of the names of brethren elected to the various elective offices and to the Board of General Purposes and also of the place selected for the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

Grand Master, M.W. Bro. W. N. Ponton, Belleville.
 Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. W. J. Drope, Grimsby.
 Grand Senior Warden, R.W. Bro. F. C. Perry, Fort William.
 Grand Junior Warden, R.W. Bro. Thos Forsyth, Toronto.
 Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. E. Sheppard, Thorold.
 Grand Treasurer, M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone, Toronto.
 Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. W. M. Logan, Hamilton.
 Grand Registrar, R.W. Bro. J. F. Mercer, Hamilton.

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

R.W. Bro. Thos. Rowe, London.
 R.W. Bro. J. A. Rowland, Toronto.
 R.W. Bro. J. S. Martin, Port Dover.
 R.W. Bro. A. J. Young, North Bay.
 R.W. Bro. A. J. Brown, Toronto.

NEXT PLACE OF MEETING

The City of Toronto was elected to be the next place of meeting.

OFFICERS INSTALLED AND INVESTED

M.W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt installed and invested the newly elected officers who were proclaimed and saluted with the grand honors.

APPOINTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

The M.W. the Grand Master was pleased to appoint the following brethren members of the Board of General Purposes, for a term of two years:

- R.W. Bro. W. S. Herrington, Napanee.
- R.W. Bro. P. A. Sommerville, Hamilton.
- R.W. Bro. C. E. Kelly, Hamilton.
- R.W. Bro. Jno Pearson, Toronto.
- R.W. Bro. J. McC. Potts, Stirling.

APPOINTED OFFICERS

- Grand Senior Deacon, V.W. Bro. Herbert W. Temple, Hamilton
- Grand Junior Deacon, V.W. Bro. Chas. L. Wilson, Toronto.
- Grand Supt. of Works, V.W. Bro. Rich. McCrudden, Belleville
- Asst. Grand Secretary, V.W. Bro. Alex. H. Edwards, Carleton Place
- Grand Dir. of Ceremonies, V.W. Bro. Wm. J. Radford, Toronto
- Asst. Grand Dir. of Ceremonies, V.W. Bro. Horace Hardy, Toronto.
- Grand Sword Bearer, V.W. Bro. Wm. H. Thornton, Midland.
- Grand Organist, V.W. Bro. Rev. F. Louis Barber, Picton.
- Asst. Grand Organist, V.W. Bro. Walter L. Widdifield, S. Porcupine
- Grand Pursuivant, V.W. Bro. Edward B. Fowler, Peterborough

GRAND STEWARDS

- V.W. Bro. Adam A. Gray, Toronto.
- V.W. Bro. Geo. W. Grant, Toronto.
- V.W. Bro. Bert C. Weir, Carlow.
- V.W. Bro. Wm. A. McPherson, St. Thomas.
- V.W. Bro. Chas. G. Luton, Belmont.
- V.W. Bro. Noah Blackmore, Listowel.
- V.W. Bro. Walter P. Holmes, St. Catharines.
- V.W. Bro. Arthur Mark, Port Hope..
- V.W. Bro. Peter H. Ryder, Kingston.
- V.W. Bro. Fred Gordon, Ottawa..
- V.W. Bro. Thos. P. T. Rowland, Sault Ste Marie.
- V.W. Bro. Arthur McMillan, Avonmore.
- V.W. Bro. Edward A. Hay, Durham.
- V.W. Bro. Harry P. Reid, Toronto.
- V.W. Bro. Eli Braund, Maple.
- V.W. Bro. Wm. Black, Toronto.
- V.W. Bro. Wm. J. Peters, Ingersoll.
- V.W. Bro. Daniel W. Evans, Hamilton.
- V.W. Bro. A. Gerald A. Nelson, Toronto.
- V.W. Bro. Alfred A. Hicks, Chatham.
- V.W. Bro. Johnston Vance, Inwood.
- V.W. Bro. Donald McLean, Belleville.
- V.W. Bro. Jos. A. King, Preston.
- V.W. Bro. Robt. J. Reade, Toronto.
- V.W. Bro. Frank E. Leavitt, Picton.
- V.W. Bro. John Tyner, Prescott.

V.W. Bro. Wm. J. Clarke, Fort Frances.
 V.W. Bro. Leslie G. Phillips, Powassan.
 V.W. Bro. Angus McLeod, Southampton.
 V.W. Bro. Sydney G. Wharin, Toronto.
 V.W. Bro. Thos. E. Simpson, Sault Ste. Marie.
 V.W. Bro. Calvin S. McComb, Port Arthur.
 V.W. Bro. Wm. J. Scott, St. George.

GRAND STANDARD BEYRERS

V.W. Bro. Philip H. Hambly, Belleville.
 V.W. Bro. John G. McDonald, Aurora.

AS GRAND TYLER

Bro. H. J. Pritchard, Toronto.

The M.W. the Grand Master was pleased to declare his intention of requesting the appointment of M.W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt as Grand Representative of the State of Illinois at this Grand Lodge, and of R.W. Bro. H. T. Smith as Grand Representative of the State of Nebraska.

VOTES OF THANKS

It was moved by M.W. Bro. J. H. Burritt, seconded by M.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson and Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be extended to the Mayors of Fort William and Port Arthur for the splendid accommodation, unremitting attention and pleasing entertainment given to the members of Grand Lodge by the citizens and members of the local lodges of the Twin Cities.

It was moved by M.W. Bro. J. H. Burritt, seconded by M.W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, and Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to the Committee on Credentials and to the Scrutineers of the ballot for their valuable and efficient services.

It was moved by M.W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, seconded by R.W. Bro. H. T. Smith and Resolved, That on behalf of the ladies who accompanied the delegates to this Annual Communication, the thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to the ladies of our brethren of Port Arthur and Fort William for the many acts of courtesy extended to the visiting ladies during their sojourn in the two cities.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. Geo. Moore, seconded by M.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson and Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be extended to the brethren of the lodges in Sault Ste. Marie for courtesies shown to the delegates on their way to the meeting of Grand Lodge.

GRAND LODGE CLOSED

The Grand Chaplain having invoked the blessing of the G.A.O.T.U. upon the members of this Grand Lodge during the coming recess, Grand Lodge was closed in Ample Form at 4.30 o'clock p.m.



Grand Secretary

RETURNS OF LODGES AS

See Pages 350—353 for List of

Lodges marked (a) hold their Installation of Officers on or near the Festival

The names of the W. M. and Secretary

No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
2	aNiagara	Niagara	C. W. Inksater	W. J. Wood
3	aAnct. St. John's	Kingston	Hamilton Edgar	A. W. Cathcart
5	aSussex	Brockville	C. W. McLean	T. H. Guest
6	Barton	Hamilton	Geo. W. Willis	W. H. F. Whateley
7	Union	Grimbsy	C. W. F. Carpenter	S. B. Bradley
9	aUnion	Napanee	O. S. Reddick	J. G. Fennell
10	aNorfolk	Simcoe	O. E. Clark	L. F. Aiken
11	aMoira	Belleville	Wm. G. Swayne	John Newton
14	aTrue Britons	Perth	S. J. Kirkland	F. V. Buffam
15	St. George's	St. Catharines	F. E. Moore	A. N. Lindsay
16	aSt. Andrew's	Toronto	J. S. A. Whealy	J. D. Keachie
17	St. John's	Cobourg	M. A. Hewson	Robt. Buck
18	aPrince Edward	Pictou	W. E. Scott	R. H. Hubbs
20	aSt. John's	London	Daniel McIntyre	Rich. Booth
21a	aSt. John's	Vankleek Hill	C. H. Reasbeck	John Hartley
22	aKing Solomon's	Toronto	Thos. Taylor	Chas. T. Hoare
23	Richmond	Richmond Hill	Percy C. Hill	A. L. Phipps
24	aSt. Francis	Smith's Falls	Jas. F. Grant	G. W. Fluker
25	aIonic	Toronto	John D. Spence	Harcourt Ferguson
26	aOntario	Port Hope	Harry Mitchell	F. H. Batty
27	aStrict Observance	Hamilton	R. B. Cheyne	H. W. Linton
28	aMount Zion	Kemptville	M. F. Earle	S. H. Guest
29	aUnited	Brighton	F. G. Harnden	B. C. H. Becker
30	aComposite	Whitby	F. T. Matheson	J. W. Bateman
31	aJerusalem	Bowmanville	Frank Williams	J. S. Moorcraft
32	aAmity	Dunnville	R. R. Congdon	John Clark
33	aMaitland	Goderich	W. J. McNevin	J. B. McKay
34	aThistle	Amherstburg	F. E. Wilson	P. G. French
35	St. John's	Cayuga	R. Wilkinson	H. J. Hoshal
37	aKing Hiram	Ingersoll	R. T. Pemberton	R. T. Agar
38	aTrent	Trenton	W. B. McClung	W. J. Potts
39	aMount Zion	Brooklin	Geo. Brown	John J. Moore
40	aSt. John's	Hamilton	C. F. Marshall	B. L. Simpson
41	aSt. George's	Kingsville	P. J. Golden	Wm. G. Long
42	aSt. George's	London	Chas. M. Linnell	Jos. Vivian
43	aKing Solomon's	Woodstock	Chas. Bluelman	A. W. Massie
44	aSt. Thomas	St. Thomas	J. M. Sinclair	F. W. Judd
45	Brant	Brantford	W. T. Millard	Geo. Whitwill
46	aWellington	Chatham	J. L. Challoner	John A. McGregor
47	aGreat Western	Windsor	Wm Thornburn	John Fry
48	aMadoc	Madoc	T. H. H. Hall	Alex. S. Cochran
50	aConsecon	Consecon	J. H. Johnston	W. W. Ward
52	Dalhousie	Ottawa	C. P. Tilley	H. W. Jackson
54	aVaughan	Maple	Wilbert Cousins	J. T. Pollock
55	aMerrickville	Merrickville	C. A. Wright	J. E. Angus
56	aVictoria	Sarnia	L. T. Constable	H. W. Unsworth
57	aHarmony	Binbrook	Angus Dalgleish	Jas. D. Rose
58	aDoric	Ottawa	Jos. W. McNabb	J. A. Ross
61	aAcacia	Hamilton	D. G. Shearer	C. E. Kelly
62	aSt. Andrew's	Caledonia	T. J. Hicks	John Rawick
63	aSt. John's	Carleton Place	J. H. Bond	D. H. McIntosh
64	aKilwinning	London	Thos. W. Copp	Whit. Lancaster
65	aRehoboth	Toronto	Chas. Bulley	Geo. H. Mitchell
66	aDurham	Newcastle	Fred Couch	Rev. S. G. McCormick
68	aSt. John's	Ingersoll	S. P. Percival	P. L. Smith
69	Stirling	Stirling	G. B. Bedford	C. F. Linn
72	Alma	Galt	F. Couch	A. J. Oliver
73	aSt. James	St. Mary's	S. W. Adams	N. L. Brandon
74	aSt. James	S. Augusta	Samuel Quarters	F. L. Bisell

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Special Addresses of Secretaries

of St. John the Evangelist, all others on or near that of St. John the Baptist.

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No. of Lodge	Night of Meeting	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	Resigned	Dead	Suspend. N.P.D.	Suspend. U.M.C.	Expelled	Restored	Total Members
2	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	8	9	9		1	4	4			2	155
3	1st Thursday	22	32	36	8	9	4	2				380
5	3rd Monday	17	21	21	9	5	4	4			1	369
6	2nd Wednesday	31	32	41	3	2	8	1				539
7	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	14	17	14	13	2	2	2			1	223
9	Frid. on or bef. F.M.	13	14	18	5	3	3					239
10	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	9	12	13	1	2	3	1				166
11	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	28	31	29	1	4	4					401
14	1st Monday	7	7	8	7	1	2	2			1	172
15	2nd Tuesday	16	40	31	9	2	3					270
16	2nd Tuesday	32	34	41	5	10	7	1			3	657
17	2nd Tuesday	18	19	18	4	4	1				2	264
18	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	7	10	11	8	2	2	3			1	264
20	2nd Tuesday	36	37	35	3	5	6	11			1	478
21	aTues. on or bef. F.M.	8	11	13	5	5		6				101
22	2nd Thursday	31	39	37	2	7	7	14			5	491
23	3rd Wednesday	7	8	10	5	1	1					110
24	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	14	18	20	1	3	3	1				206
25	1st Wednesday	16	17	12		1	4					354
26	3rd Friday	5	6	7	1	2	1					192
27	3rd Friday	28	23	20	5	1	9					519
28	Friday bef. F.M.	11	8	11		4					1	102
29	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	15	7	4	2	1	1					193
30	1st Friday	6	4	4	7	1	3	1				138
31	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	8	17	20	4	3	5	10			1	198
32	Wed. on or after F.M.	17	20	28	1	5	2	2			3	204
33	2nd Tuesday	19	17	16	1	3	5				2	230
34	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	14	18	14	3	1	5	5				175
35	Thurs. on or after F.M.	18	12	7	5	2	2				1	109
37	1st Friday	11	11	11	1	2	3	2				186
38	2nd Tuesday	22	24	23	2	3	1	2				231
39	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	4	5	4	1		3					88
40	3rd Thursday	34	34	40	5	3	10	3	1		1	654
41	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	10	17	19	1	5		2			3	227
42	1st Thursday	30	23	24	7							343
43	1st Tuesday	22	33	32	4	3	4				1	400
44	1st Thursday	21	18	25	5	1	4	3			3	491
45	2nd Tuesday	20	32	44	2	17	4	6			5	443
46	1st Monday	26	33	33	7	9	8				1	355
47	1st Thursday	79	91	80	3	10	4				2	1036
48	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	3	3	6	2	3	3	1			1	154
50	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	10	9	8		1					1	90
52	1st Tuesday	36	42	40	4	4	6					527
54	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	18	18	15								74
55	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	7	8	6		1	3	3				113
56	1st Tuesday	22	21	25	2	4	4					349
57	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	5	2	4	1	15	3					147
58	1st Friday	28	27	27	6	5	2	2			1	374
61	2nd Friday	37	32	49	9		3	2			2	772
62	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	9	8	8	2		1	4				121
63	2nd Friday	7	4	5		5	3	2				236
64	3rd Friday	43	44	44	6	8	2				4	380
65	1st Thursday	33	30	29	1	3	5	3			1	601
66	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	2	4	4	1	1	1					69
68	3rd Friday	11	9	14		4	1	1				172
69	Thurs. on or aft F.M.	5	5	7				1				144
72	Last Tuesday	10	13	17	1	1	3					241
73	1st Monday	13	15	15	1	6		12			2	152
74	Mon. nearest F.M.	4	5	6		3	3	1				78

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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
75	St. John's	Toronto	J. E. Jeffery	O. T. Randall
76	aOxford	Woodstock	A. W. Cole	J. W. Dutton
77	aFaithful Brethren	Lindsay	F. C. Nugent	R. G. Corneil
78	aKing Hiram	Tillsonburg	H. Sponenburgh	H. McQueen
79	aSimcoe	Bradford	O. M. Seim	F. Kilkenny
81	aSt. John's	Mount Brydges	N. P. McGugan	S. W. Hyatt
82	St. John's	Paris	C. W. Newell	C. E. Faylor
83	aBeaver	Strathroy	D. J. Donaldson	R. F. Richardson
84	Clinton	Clinton	James Ford	H. B. Chant
85	aRising Sun	Athens	G. E. Holmes	A. W. Parish
86	aWilson	Toronto	Jos. H. Hughes	W. L. Lawer
87	Markham Union	Markham	E. W. Clark	J. S. Bell
88	St. George's	Owen Sound	P. T. Pilkey	John M. Campbell
90	aManito	Collingwood	R. E. Robertson	W. T. Herrington
91	aColborne	Colborne	Geo. L. Badley	John T. Gordon
92	aCatawaqui	Kingston	W. J. Mercer	H. A. Graham
93	aNorthern Light	Kincardine	D. A. T. Slight	M. J. McPherson
94	aSt. Mark's	Port Stanley	E. G. Thomas	F. N. Fraser
96	aCorinthian	Barrie	A. B. Coutts	A. H. Felt
97	aSharon	Queensville	F. Tate	J. B. Aylward
98	True Blue	Bolton	N. S. Courtney	Geo. Lockwood
99	Tuscan	Newmarket	J. C. Steckley	Geo. C. Young
100	Valley	Dundas	Wm. M. Newitt	F. A. Latshaw
101	aCorinthian	Peterborough	Rev. R. B. Grobb	R. F. Downey
103	aMaple Leaf	St. Catharines	S. R. Cruickshank	H. J. Johnston
104	St. John's	Norwich	Rev. J. H. Barnett	E. W. Moles
105	aSt. Mark's	Niagara Falls	Chas. L. Leys	S. M. Payne
106	aBurford	Burford	W. J. Meredith	Geo. Armstrong
107	St. Paul's	Lambeth	Albert Moody	H. Poole
108	Blenheim	Princeton	H. C. McCaul	T. J. Rawlinson
109	aAlbion	Harrowsmith	C. J. Gallagher	Roy E. Deline
110	aCentral	Prescott	J. E. Hall	C. H. Ranson
113	aWilson	Waterford	O. R. Schram	D. A. Hill
114	aHope	Port Hope	H. J. C. Beatty	Thos. H. Bell
115	aVly	Beamsville	John Morrison	W. D. Fairbrother
116	aCassia	Thedford	M. E. Harrington	R. B. Donald
118	Union	Schomberg	B. Graham	Fraancis Attridge
119	aMaple Leaf	Bath	Geo. M. Loyst	F. G. Young
120	Warren	Fingal	I. R. Lethbridge	D. Cameron
121	aDoric	Brantford	W. E. McLaughlin	Jas. C. Spence
122	aRenfrew	Renfrew	M. H. Winter	Hugh Macdonald
123	aBelleville	Belleville	A. R. Schryver	D. Barragar
125	aCornwall	Cornwall	G. N. Phillips	John Ridley
126	aGolden Rule	Campbellford	G. W. Atwell	F. C. Bonnycastle
127	aFrank	Frankford	Geo. E. Sine	J. M. Bell
128	aPembroke	Pembroke	A. M. MacLean	D. W. Blakely
129	Rising Sun	Aurora	Arch. Murray	H. T. Kinley
131	aSt. Lawrence	Southampton	Allan Ely	F. Goodier
133	aLebanon Forest	Exeter	R. W. Fuke	R. N. Creech
135	aSt. Clair	Milton	G. W. McKenzie	A. A. Armstrong
136	Richardson	Stouffville	Chris. Armstrong	N. M. McLean
137	aPythagoras	Meaford	Thos. H. Randle	F. H. Finley
139	Lebanon	Oshawa	R. F. Bennett	H. A. Saunders
140	aMalahide	Aylmer	H. E. Freeman	A. E. Richardson
141	aTudor	Mitchell	James Norris	A. J. Blowes
142	aExcelsior	Morrisburg	Harvey G. Froats	B. A. Herring
143	aFriendly Brothers	Iroquois	Jas. R. Payne	S. W. Wood
144	aTecumseh	Stratford	John Semple	F. S. Smith
145	aJ. B. Hall	Millbrook	Jas. R. Paul	Chas. Thornydyke

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75	1st Monday	17	18	24	2		7	5			2	412
76	2nd Monday	26	22	25	8	6	5	10			6	317
77	1st Friday	28	21	22	4	9	6				1	330
78	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	12	13	14	1	3	4	1	5		1	222
79	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	9	6	5	2			7			1	115
81	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	8	9	9	4	2	1					108
82	2nd Tuesday	8	6	7	3		4					176
83	Friday bef. F.M.	8	6	7	1	5	1	2			1	182
84	Friday aft. F.M.	10	11	6	3	2	1	2	2			96
85	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	4	2	2	3	5	2	2				90
86	3rd Tuesday	26	28	34	5	6	3				1	494
87	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	10	12	11	2	3	1	3			2	163
88	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	13	16	9	1	3	2	1			3	233
90	2nd Tuesday	18	13	16	5	3	3	6			4	262
91	3rd Friday	12	16	13		2	3					135
92	2nd Friday	31	39	46	9	4	5				2	442
93	1st Wednesday	14	13	13		2	2	1	2			160
94	2nd Tuesday	2	2	5		2	2	2			2	91
96	1st Thursday	20	17	19	3	2	2	5				326
97	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	7	7	4		1	1	4			1	93
98	Friday after F.M.	4	5	3		3	1				2	68
99	2nd Wednesday	11	11	9	7	2	3					127
100	2nd Monday	13	18	19	2	1	3					288
101	3rd Friday	14	12	16	5	1	1					227
103	Last Thursday	42	41	41	4	2	8	7			1	355
104	Tue. on or aft. F.M.	5	11	15	2	1	1	3	3		3	146
105	2nd Tuesday	31	30	35	1	2		2	2		1	265
106	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	21	22	12	4		1	16				117
107	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	3	3	3	2			4			1	109
108	Fri. on or aft. F.M.	8	7	9	1		1					105
109	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	7	7	9		3	3				2	147
110	1st Tuesday	13	10	11		3	1					157
113	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	4	8	8	2	3	2	4				183
114	1st Friday	10	11	10	1	3	1					228
115	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	12	15	13	2	1	1				1	194
116	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	10	8	9	1	1	1				1	63
118	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	7	8	6	1	1	1	2			1	64
119	Monday before F.M.	16	16	12	1							115
120	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	5	4	3				2			3	74
121	3rd Friday	26	34	38	5	1	1	6			1	627
122	1st Monday	16	17	16	2	6	1				1	171
123	1st Thursday	45	24	24	1	4	8	6			2	315
125	1st Wednesday	15	12	13		1	3				1	176
126	1st Tuesday	11	18	22	4	1	1					177
127	Monday before F.M.	7	5	3	2	3	2				1	162
128	1st Thursday	4	5	6	1	3	2		2			221
129	1st Friday	12	12	11	2	3	3				1	147
131	Tue. on or aft. F.M.	7	7	10	1	1	1					106
133	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	7	12	14	2	2	1	1				116
135	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	8	8	9	8	1	1	6				137
136	Fri. on or aft. F.M.	9	13	13		1	1					75
137	1st Tuesday	5	5	6	3	2	3					133
139	2nd Tuesday	19	18	18	6	3	3	6			2	225
140	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	6	6	7	1	2	5				1	140
141	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	9	10	8	2	2	1					131
142	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	7	7	9	4				1		1	104
143	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	7	10	13	1				1		2	128
144	3rd Friday	22	27	34	8	5	4	4				381
145	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	4	7		2		1					101

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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
146	aPrince of Wales	Newburgh	Cyrus Edgar	Delbert Sexsmith
147	Mississippi	Almonte	B. K. Gunn	W. S. Boyd
148	aCivil Service	Ottawa	J. P. Cordukes	H. W. Lothrop
149	aErie	Port Dover	M. Woodger	J. C. King
151	aGrand River	Kitchener	F. S. Routley	P. Fisher
153	aBurns	Wyoming	John Maw	Rev. J. C. Robinson
154	aIrving	Lucan	Wm. C. E. Haskett	C. J. Murdy
155	aPeterborough	Peterborough	Geo. Gillespie	D. D. Brown
156	aYork	Toronto	Harry Jennings	W. E. Hofland
157	aSimpson	Newboro'	J. N. Truelove	L. J. Williams
158	aAlexandra	Oil Springs	Jas. I. Nurse	I. W. Sauvey
159	aGoodwood	Richmond	Wm. J. Anderson	S. B. Gordon
161	aPercy	Warkworth	Rev. R. McGillivray	A. M. Smale
162	Forest	Wroxeter	Geo. J. Town	Thos. Brown
164	aStar of the East	Wellington	D. S. Ainsworth	E. L. Hubbs
165	aBurlington	Burlington	C. S. Dynes	Jas. S. Allen
166	aWentworth	Stoney Creek	A. E. Corman	John H. Lee
168	aMerritt	Welland	R. T. Northcote	H. E. Dawdy
169	aMacnab	Port Colborne	A. M. Neff	D. Burt
170	aBritannia	Seaforth	J. G. Mullen	C. Aberhatt
171	aPrince of Wales	Lawrence Sta.	A. E. Dell	Robt. G. Little
172	Ayr	Ayr	Wm. A. Ramsay	E. F. Cuthbertson
174	aWalsingham	Port Rowan	L. M. Brown	J. E. Biddle
177	The Builders	Ottawa	D. P. Bateman	H. H. Cairns
178	aPlattsville	Plattsville	Thos. J. Scott	John Bristow
180	aSpeed	Guelph	D. W. Bain	T. E. Cotton
181	aOriental	Port Burwell	Wm. Vernon	L. W. Diehl
184	aOld Light	Lucknow	Thos. S. Reid	W. A. Wilson
185	aEnniskillen	York	E. S. Bradt	F. W. Brown
186	aPlantagenet	Riceville	C. A. Bradley	G. A. Ryan
190	Belmont	Belmont	John Dawes	J. F. Turner
192	aOrillia	Orillia	W. J. Boyle	T. C. Dodge
193	aScotland	Scotland	C. L. Baldwin	C. W. Stuart
194	aPetrolia	Petrolia	Chas. J. Collins	J. R. Steadman
195	aTuscan	London	J. E. Magee	F. H. Greenlees
196	aMadawaska	Arnprior	Thos. S. Church	Henry Newham
197	aSaugeen	Walkerton	Guy Henderson	Chas. T. Boss
200	St. Alban's	Mount Forest	E. E. Broughton	S. A. Pennock
201	aLeeds	Gananoque	A. L. Knight	R. B. Gilbert
203	Irvine	Elora	T. C. Wardley	R. D. Cardno
205	New Dominion	New Hamburg	E. S. Bechtel	A. R. G. Smith
207	aLancaster	Lancaster	F. McLeod	R. T. Nicholson
209	aEvergreen	Langark	A. E. Brown	Robt. Wilson
209a	aSt. John's	London	Wm. A. O'Dell	J. E. Keenleyside
215	Lake	Ameliastburg	H. E. Redner	Jas. E. Glenn
216	aHarris	Orangeville	Elmer Still	A. T. Howard
217	aFrederick	Delhi	A. R. Hargrave	Max MacPherson
218	aStevenson	Toronto	W. R. Kent	H. C. H. Corneil
219	aCredit	Georgetown	E. Y. Barrowclough	Geo. Ford
220	Zeredatha	Uxbridge	Walter Tunstell	V. M. Hure
221	aMountain	Thorold	Wm. Wheeler	W. J. Mable
222	aMarmora	Marmora	W. H. Boycott	W. C. Inkster
223	aNerwood	Nerwood	B. W. Squire	R. L. Peacock
224	Zurich	Hensall	J. C. Cochrane	A. W. E. Hemphill
225	aBernard	Listowel	M. W. Lavery	J. H. Blackmore
228	aPrince Arthur	Odesa	S. A. Denyes	Robt. Bennett
229	aIonic	Brampton	H. A. Wilson	W. J. Fenton
230	Kerr	Barrie	J. W. Merrick	W. N. Duff
231	Lodge of Fidelity	Ottawa	S. W. Canniff	C. B. Patten

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No. of Lodge	Night of Meeting	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	Resigned	Dead	Suspend. N. P. D.	Suspend. U. M. C.	Expelled	Restored	Total Members
146	Wed. bef. F.M.	3	3	2		2	1					92
147	1st Friday	12	5		4	3	12					130
148	2nd Tuesday	17	17	22	7	4	3	1				352
149	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	7	5	7	2	2	1					119
151	2nd Tuesday	26	26	21	2	5	2					319
153	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	8	9	7	2	2	2				1	131
154	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	5	9	9		2	12	1			1	104
155	1st Friday	19	13	6	6	1	4					316
156	3rd Friday	31	32	39	3	1	4				3	387
157	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	6	7	5		1	1					88
158	Thurs. on or after F.M.	11	4	4		4	3				1	103
159	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	2	2	2	1	1						83
161	Wed before F.M.	2	2	5	1	1	3	1				92
162	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	6	6	5		2	2					42
164	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	2	2	4	3	1		4				147
165	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	7	11	8	6	3					1	195
166	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	34	35	30	4	2	1					239
168	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	19	17	16	2	2	2	5				213
169	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	15	11	14	2	1	1					161
170	1st Monday	3	4	5	1	2	3					149
171	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	4	4	4	1	1	1				1	49
172	2nd Monday	11	6	10		3	2					75
174	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	10	6	6		1	3	2			1	112
177	2nd Friday	27	28	27	2	3	6				1	408
178	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	4	4	4			1					65
180	1st Tuesday	24	30	34	5	6	5	2			2	279
181	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	12	9	7	1		1					65
184	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	16	16	16		2	1					143
185	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	9	7	4								61
186	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	1	2	1		1						55
190	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	10	11	9		2	1					99
192	1st Friday	21	18	13	9	5	3				3	390
193	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	5	6	5		1					2	127
194	2nd Wednesday	9	11	8		5	1	3			2	194
195	1st Monday	11	9	9	5	1	4					233
196	2nd Monday	13	17	19	1		1					148
197	2nd Tuesday	9	8	8			1					122
200	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	10	3	3	4		3					108
201	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	12	14	20		2	3				1	263
203	3rd Friday	3	5	5		2	2				1	119
205	Mon. on or after F.M.	1				4						43
207	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	8	7	8			1	1				140
209	1st Tuesday	12	9	6			3	3				73
209a	1st Friday	33	29	34	5	7	7	3			1	581
215	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	4	3	3	1	1	2					90
216	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	15	16	19	1	9	1	2			2	212
217	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	3	7	7	1	4						82
218	2nd Monday	30	28	23	2	2		8			2	393
219	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	17	9	13	2		2	8			1	136
220	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	16	14	15	1		1	3			1	181
221	2nd Thursday	25	23	23	6	2	3	1			1	249
222	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	8	11	17		3	1	4			1	112
223	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	12	10	9		3	1	3			1	121
224	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	5	6	9	2	1	1					95
225	Fr. on or bef. F.M.	21	24	27	3	2	2				3	201
228	Mon. on or after F.M.	6	7	4		1					1	99
229	3rd Tuesday	35	27	30	4	1	4	6				213
230	3rd Friday	26	20	24	3	3	4					264
231	1st Tuesday	32	32	25	4	4	2	1			1	425

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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
232	aCameron	Dutton	A. T. McCallum	M. S. Claus
233	Doric	Parkhill	J. H. Young	Dr. Geo. A. Fraser
234	aBeaver	Clarksburg	F. D. Kent	Wm. Reekie
235	Aldworth	Paisley	P. C. Kennedy	H. C. Packham
236	aManitoba	Cookstown	Walter McClean	W. G. Mackay
237	Vienna	Vienna	H. P. Grant	S. S. Clutton
238	Havelock	Watford	Nelson Hood	Orlo Jacklin
239	Tweed	Tweed	F. E. Houston	W. W. Garrett
242	aMacoy	Mallorytown	E. C. Kelly	W. S. McCauley
243	aSt. George	St. George	H. R. Patten	W. J. Scott
245	aTecumseh	Thamesville	Harvey Atkinson	Angus Graham
247	aAshlar	Toronto	Thos. K. Wade	W. H. Lyon
249	aCaledonian	Midland	J. M. Syer	W. H. Thornton
250	Thistle	Embrow	Wm. French	D. J. McLeod
253	aMinden	Kingston	Chas. Higgins	R. S. Graham
254	aClifton	Niagara Falls	D. A. McRae	Samuel Warren
255	Sydenham	Dresden	Roy E. Carscallen	John French
256	aFarran's Point	Aultsville	O. M. Rombough	R. H. Hanes
257	aGalt	J. W. Comba	J. W. Comba	E. F. Hetherington
258	Guelph	Guelph	Chas. E. Solman	F. F. Sweetman
259	Springfield	Springfield	Chas. A. Brooks	M. M. Black
260	aWashington	Petrolia	H. D. Sherrin	H. F. Winter
261	aOak Branch	Innerkip	R. S. Gillespie	J. S. Hislop
262	aHarriston	Harriston	Jos. Clarke	H. J. Hucks
263	aForest	Forest	D. W. Galbraith	R. B. Crosbie
264	aChaudiere	Ottawa	John Barlow	Thos. H. Hoare
265	Patterson	Thornhill	D. W. Cooper	J. A. Thompson
266	aNorthern Light	Stayner	D. C. McDermid	D. G. Bell
267	Parthenon	Chatham	Rich. Pritchard	J. G. Martin
268	aVerulam	Bobcaygeon	J. H. Stinson	S. H. Cluxton
269	aBrougham Union	Claremont	M. E. Morgan	Thos. Gregg
270	aCedar	Oshawa	H. L. Wallace	Thos. Hawkes
271	Wellington	Erin	J. H. Lacey	T. C. Foster
272	Seymour	Ancaster	W. M. Brandon	J. L. Pritchard
274	aKent	Blenheim	Wm. J. Baird	W. R. Fellows, Jr.
276	aTeeswater	Teeswater	B. A. Hiscox	G. S. Fowler
277	aSeymour	Port Dalhousie	John Renwick	J. M. A. Waugh
279	aNew Hope	Hespeler	J. W. Keffer	Arthur Pullam
282	Lorne	Glencoe	Fred Gough	R. M. McPherson
283	aEureka	Belleville	E. D. O'Flynn	Wm. Jeffers Diamond
284	St. John's	Brussels	A. W. Dennison	Wm. Gillespie
285	Seven Star	Alliston	Jas. F. Hand	Wm. Caesar
286	Wingham	Wingham	T. C. King	R. A. Coutts
287	aShuniah	Port Arthur	T. F. Milne	Geo. G. Milne
289	aDoric	Lobo	Neil Currie	P. L. Graham
290	aLeamington	Leamington	Howard S. Ellis	D. W. Anderson
291	aDufferin	W. Flamboro	Johnston Tew	Wesley Green
292	aRobertson	King	Ralph Burns	E. M. Legge
294	aMoore	Courtright	W. E. Harrold	C. W. Kent
295	aConestogo	Drayton	S. S. Smiley	Calvert Scarr
296	aTemple	St. Catharines	N. J. Lockhart	C. A. Brown
297	Preston	Preston	W. J. Bartlett	J. A. King
299	Victoria	Centreville	G. A. Wagar	H. A. Carscallen
300	aMount Olivet	Thorndale	V. A. Tackabury	R. T. Harding
302	St. David's	St. Thomas	Jas. E. Hulse	W. H. Stapleton
303	aBlyth	Blyth	Peter Gardiner	J. M. Hamilton
304	aMinerva	Stroud	N. H. Wice	G. W. Hewson
305	Humber	Weston	A. F. S-ythes	Wm. C. Burrage
306	Durham	Durham	J. H. Harding	E. A. Hay

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232	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	8	8	9	2	4	2	3			2	114
233	Tue. on or aft. F.M.	16	14	12	3	2						119
234	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	4	5	5		1	1				1	89
235	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	8	11	14								124
236	Tue. on or aft. F.M.	7	10	13	2	4	2				1	126
237	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	1	4	6				1			1	95
238	Tuesday bef. F.M.	9	7	7	3	2	2					102
239	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	12	14	15		4	1	3				157
242	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	8	6	7	1		2					133
243	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	3	5	6		1	2	9			5	95
245	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	8	8	6	4		1					109
247	4th Tuesday	25	24	26	3	3	5	1				463
249	Monday bef. F.M.	26	18	13	1	7	2	7				278
250	Thur. bef. F.M.	10	9	9		4	1				4	113
253	1st Tuesday	27	20	29	3	7	5	3			2	291
254	1st Thursday	31	45	43	4	2	4	1			2	443
255	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	11	6	3		4						141
256	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	4	4	4		1						120
257	1st Tuesday	14	15	16	5	4	4	3				272
258	2nd Tuesday	19	17	18	1	2	4	3			2	251
259	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	7	14	16	1	1	1					164
260	1st Wednesday	8	7	6	1	6	7				1	196
261	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	4	4	4	1	1	1					52
262	2nd Monday	15	11	11	1	1	1	2				115
263	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	23	24	16	1		3					139
264	4th Tuesday	14	19	17	2	1	3	3				379
265	3rd Thursday	16	16	16	4	1	2	2			2	118
266	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	1	4	3	1	1						67
267	1st Wednesday	43	38	33	4	4	6					455
268	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	8	9	8	1	5	2					96
269	Wed. on or before F.M.	4	6	6	2	3	2					85
270	4th Tuesday	21	16	14	8	3	4					202
271	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	5	8	6	1	4					1	101
272	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	8	8	10	2		1	2			1	185
274	Mon on or bef. F.M.	11	12	16	1	7	1				1	180
276	4th Thursday	1	1	3		1	1				2	58
277	2nd Wednesday	7	6	9		1	3	2				94
279	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	7	6	7	3	2	3					125
282	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	11	10	12	4	2	3	1				118
283	Wed. after F.M.	22	26	23	8	5	3	5			2	246
284	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	7	7	9		3	2					117
285	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	11	13	13	1	2	5	4				143
286	1st Tuesday	7	9	9	1	1		1				146
287	1st Tuesday	35	39	39	9	7	1				1	433
289	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	3	4	18		1	1				1	125
290	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	16	12	20	3	1	1				1	252
291	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	7	11	15		2					1	137
292	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	4	4	3		2	1					64
294	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	4	5	4		1	2	2				82
295	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	12	18	18	1	1	2	2				123
296	3rd Wednesday	43	39	22	5	1	3					296
297	3rd Friday	7	7	7	1							138
299	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	4	3	5			1					74
300	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	3	1	3		3		1				93
302	3rd Thurs.	18	19	21	1	2	4	1			1	450
303	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	9	9	9		6	1				1	110
304	Tues. on or bef. F.M.	6	10	9	5			3			3	136
305	4th Friday	20	18	18	3	2	2					188
306	2nd Tuesday	9	17	20	5		2				1	111

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307	aArkona	Arkona	H. R. Dowding	E. B. Dickison
309	aMorning Star	Carlow	Wm. T. Sallows	R. M. Young
311	aBlackwood	Woodbridge	G. I. Wheeler	G. D. McLean
312	aPnyx	Wallaceburg	A. C. Campbell	John Barber
313	aClementi.	Lakefield	R. H. Knox	A. E. Kennedy
314	aBlair	Palmerston	J. Corbitt	H. E. McEwing
315	aClifford	Clifford	V. T. Cavanagh	Wm. Craef
316	aDoric	Toronto	C. H. B. Johnson	Harry P. Reid
318	aWilmot	Baden	J. C. Lashinger	H. C. Schumm
319	aHiram	Hagersville	Maurice Winger	W. C. VanLoon
320	aChesterville	Chesterville	Wm J. McConnell	Geo. Elliott
321	aWalker	Acton	N. P. McLam	R. M. McDonald
322	aNorth Star	Owen Sound	John McEwen	A. A. Parks
323	aAlvinston	Alvinston	Wm. J. Bourne	Jas. Holme
324	aTemple	Hamilton	P. G. Rigby	C. H. Cunningham
325	Orono	Orono	E. J. Hamm	Neil Colville
326	aZetland	Toronto	A. H. Macabe	J. H. Macabe
327	aHammond	Wardsville	M. G. McMaster	Jas. H. McIntyre
328	aIonic	Napier	Chris Beer	W. T. Buchanan
329	aKing Solomon's	Jarvis	John S. Burwash	R. W. Smith
330	aCerinthian	London	W. J. Kilpatrick	H. J. Childs
331	aFordwich	Fordwich	Harvey Gibson	A. C. Hutchison
332	aStratford	Stratford	F. L. Cosford	E. Denroche
333	aPrince Arthur	Flesherton	C. J. Bellamy	R. G. Holland
334	aPrince Arthur	Arthur	Thos. Wilson	Peter Greig
336	aHighgate	Highgate	John R. McColl	C. E. M. Mandell
337	aMyrtle	Port Robinson	Jas. E. Dandy	Chas. S. Ross
338	aDufferin	Wellandport	Roy Henderson	W. J. Steward
339	aOrient	Toronto	Geo. T. Dale	C. W. Gainger
341	aBruce	Tiverton	Angus Norman	D. A. McLaren
343	aGeorgina	Toronto	J. H. Kent	Geo. Thompson
344	aMerrill	Dorchester	R. A. Logan	J. E. Bancroft
345	aNilestown	Nilestown	K. J. Carswell	G. H. Martin
346	aOccident	Toronto	Thos. C. Johnson	Wm. M. Williams
347	aMercer	Fergus	C. S. Ewing	A. W. Muir
348	aGeorgian	Penetanguishene	E. C. Spearn	R. D. Keefe
352	aGranite	Parry Sound	F. R. McKinley	J. H. Knifton
354	aBrook	Cannington	J. E. Coincot	Jos. A. Kift
356	aRiver Park	Streetsville	S. H. Cottingly	Geo. S. Bonham
357	aWaterdown	Millgrove	J. B. Markle	John A. Dalton
358	aDelaware Valley	Delaware	Robt. Hill	Chas. Thompson
359	aVittoria	Vittoria	A. J. Simmons	John Pow
360	aMuskoka	Bracebridge	John H. Hies	F. P. Warne
361	aWaverley	Guelph	Adam C. Wilson	Jos. A. Hewitt
362	aMaple Leaf	Tara	F. W. Walker	R. I. Shannon
364	aDufferin	Melbourne	D. G. McQuagan	Geo. J. Stevenson
367	aSt. George	Toronto	John A. Steven	A. G. A. Nelson
368	aSalem	Brockville	W. F. Reynolds	E. A. Geiger
369	aMimico	Lambton Mills	Stephen Barriatt	Wm. A. Beercoft
370	aHarmony	Delta	Wm. H. Irvine	H. E. Johnson
371	aPrince of Wales	Ottawa	H. H. W. Nesbitt	A. E. Revell
372	aPalmer	Bridgeburg	Geo. H. Stratton	N. D. Graham
373	aCopestone	Welland	G. F. Sutherland	Thos. Main
374	aKeene	Keene	R. J. McCamus	Wm. H. Fletcher
375	aLorne	Onemee	K. W. Griffin	W. J. Thorn
376	aUnity	Huntsville	A. E. Parker	Oscar Wieler
377	aLorne	Shelburne	Geo. M. Watts	Sammel Patterson
378	aKing Solomon's	London	W. R. Kennedy	Wm. Nicholls
379	aMiddlesex	Bryanston	Gordon McPherson	Alex Grant

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307	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	5	5	5	4	5	1					71
309	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	10	11	8	1	1	1				1	75
311	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	1	1	1		1	1	4	1		2	64
312	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	19	19	20	4	2	2	1			2	201
313	1st Tuesday	8	8	6	1	4	1					119
314	2nd Friday	7	12	8	1	1	2					138
315	3rd Monday	9	6	3				4				68
316	3rd Thursday	29	36	34	14	7	8	5			3	488
318	Fri. on or after F.M.	5	4	4				1			1	30
319	Thurs. on or bef. F.M.	6	4	5	2	4	1	4				139
320	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	3	4	5		1	1				1	141
321	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	9	8	8			1					107
322	Wed. after F.M.	14	18	14	5	2	3				5	256
323	Wed. on bef. F.M.	4	3	5		2	1				1	95
324	2nd Tuesday	35	33	36	8	3	9	5				548
325	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	10	14	10		1	1					74
326	4th Friday	26	29	30	7	3	6				1	646
327	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	3	2	2	1						1	46
328	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	9	8	11		2	1					72
329	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	7	8	8				1				78
330	1st Tuesday	22	20	20	2		3	2			2	328
331	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	3	3	6								84
332	2nd Monday	22	16	14		2	4	2			4	303
333	Fri. on bef. F.M.	6	9	4	4	4	5	1	1			95
334	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	3	4	4	1	5	1				1	67
336	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	14	16	14	1	4	4				3	97
337	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	3	3	6	2	2	1					77
338	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	3	3	3		3						77
339	1st Tuesday	23	25	27	3		5	11			5	468
341	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	5	5	4		2	1					79
343	1st Saturday	19	21	19	1	2	8	5				494
344	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	5	5	2	1							68
345	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	11	10	9			1					101
346	3rd Wednesday	28	34	44	5	5	7	16			4	598
347	1st Friday	3	2	3	3	1	1	1				114
348	1st Thursday	11	9	7	2		1					138
352	3rd Wednesday	16	18	11	2	4	2					248
354	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	7	6	7	1		2	2				86
356	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	15	14	11	1	2	1					114
357	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	7	9	16	1	4	5	4			1	180
358	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	1	9	6		5	2	6				71
359	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	1	1	4			2	1				63
360	1st Tuesday	3	6	4	2	1	1	2				108
361	4th Monday	34	41	43	8	8	2	4			3	375
362	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	5	7	7	1			2				81
364	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	3	7	4	1			1			1	74
367	1st Friday	10	16	29	2	4	12	7			1	471
368	2nd Monday	19	22	18	2	3	1					268
369	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	30	25	20	1	2	1				1	217
370	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	2	3	3		4	3					90
371	4th Friday	22	29	30	4	3	3	3				290
372	1st Tuesday	14	14	24	1	2	2					167
373	1st Thursday	20	20	19		3						229
374	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	2	3	4								31
375	1st Thursday	5	4	7			1					106
376	2nd Wednesday	14	19	21	5	4		3				159
377	1st Friday	16	9	10	1	7	1					116
378	2nd Thursday	41	40	41	4	3	4	2			2	366
379	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	1	2	2		3					1	59

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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
380	aUnion	London	W. E. Rider	Jos. Ward
382	Doric	Hamilton	Robt Clark	Dr. C. V. Emory
383	aHenderson	Winchester	Arthur Christie	F. A. Coons
384	aAlpha	Toronto	Ashton Fletcher	E. J. Voss
385	aSpry	Beeton	W. D. Bell	W. D. Withers
386	aMcColl	West Lorne	W. J. McMurchy	D. R. Meston
387	aLansdowne	Lansdowne	H. R. Nettleton	G. H. Landon
388	aHenderson	Ilderton	John R. Calvert	C. R. Charlton
389	aCrystal Fountain	N. Augusta	H. L. Will	R. C. Ralph
390	aFlorence	Florence	C. N. Sarney	Jas. Beatty
391	aHoward	Ridgetown	Neil McKay	T. A. Routledge
392	aHuron	Camlachie	Sidney Currah	John Anderson
393	Forest	Chesley	J. E. Trummer	H. H. Stevens
394	aKing Solomon's	Thamesford	W. W. Banbury	W. W. Day
395	Parvaim	Comber	W. A. Keitt	L. Dean
396	aCedar	Warton	Donald McDonald	J. F. Stewart
397	aLeopold	Brigden	A. D. Armstrong	J. W. McDonald
398	Victoria	Kirkfield	W. H. Stanley	Wm. Jobe
399	Moffat	Harrietsville	Albert Eaton	Jas. Butler
400	aOakville	Oakville	J. H. Hodge	E. O. Taylor
401	aCraig	Deseronto	F. A. Henderson	Robt. Large
402	Central	Essex	J. S. Laird	I. Middleton
403	aWindsor	Windsor	L. Vollans	A. N. Pettit
404	aLorne	Tamworth	F. M. McLaughlin	Jas. W. Milligan
405	Mattawa	Mattawa	H. T. Lloyd	A. I. Tongue
406	aSpry	Fenelon Falls	Geo. H. Harper	H. J. Townley
408	aMurray	Beaverton	P. A. Daguere	W. C. Latimer
409	aGolden Rule	Gravenhurst	V. F. Hunt	H. C. Davidson
410	aZeta	Toronto	S. J. Boyle	W. E. Robson
411	aRodney	Rodney	Geo. E. Brown	Arch. McLeod
412	aKeystone	Sault Ste. Marie	Chas. H. Speer	E. I. Scott
413	aNaphtali	Tilbury	J. E. Moffatt	P. M. Lampman
414	Peqnonga	Kenora	A. McMeekin	H. E. Holland
415	aFort William	Fort William	P. S. Burton	J. Underhill
416	Lyn	Lyn	F. Mullins	Frank Stafford
417	aKeewatin	Keewatin	E. W. Johnston	Fred Bruce
418	aMaxville	Maxville	R. A. Stewart	F. L. McMillan
419	aLiberty	Point Edward	John R. McCleister	W. J. Alcock
420	Nipissing	North Bay	H. L. McNally	B. F. Nott
421	aScott	Grand Valley	B. M. Bracken	W. O' C. Ahern
422	Star of the East	Bothwell	Harvey Annett	J. J. Vincent
423	aStrong	Sundridge	J. L. Anderson	Roy N. Black
424	aDoric	Pickering	A. G. Clark	A. E. Stork
425	aSt. Clair	Sombra	Alex. McRitchie	J. W. Burnham
426	aStanley	Toronto	H. S. Chapple	Wm. Harris
427	aNickel	Sudbury	H. S. Berlanquet	Jos. Fowler
428	Fidelity	Port Perry	E. B. Flint	J. W. Crozier
429	aPort Elgin	Port Elgin	A. B. Robertson	Jas. B. Cottrell
430	aAcacia	Toronto	R. E. Collins	R. G. Allen
431	Moravian	Cargill	Harold Young	W. J. Loughleen
432	Hanover	Hanover	R. Campbell	W. D. Staples
433	aBonnehore	Eganville	S. N. Milligan	Jas. Reeves
434	Algonquin	Emsdale	L. McPaaal	Jas. H. Metcalfe
435	aHavelock	Havelock	Harry Burnett	Rev. J. Skene
436	aBurns	Hepworth	E. M. Good	Gilbert Roseborough
437	aTuscan	Sarnia	R. V. Finch	W. J. Barrie
438	aHarmony	Toronto	G. P. Wilbur	T. M. Kinsman
439	Alexandria	Alexandria	E. T. Shanks	Rev. D. Stewart
440	Arcadia	Minden	John Welch	S. Phillips
441	aWestport	Westport	J. N. Ritchie	W. M. Ewart

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442	aDyment	Thessalon	S. J. Brown	S. W. Nokes
443	aPowassan	Powassan	F. G. Kemp	W. C. Porter
444	aNitetis	Creemore	Rev. A. L. Atton	John C. Lennox
445	aLake of the Woods	Kenora	B. P. Johnston	C. L. Parrott
446	aGranite	Fort Frances	N. L. Croomie	F. H. Warner
447	aSturgeon Falls	Sturgeon Falls	F. Foley	Rev. Canon Piercy
448	aXenophon	Wheatley	Jas. D. McGregor	H. G. Hanson
449	aDundalk	Dundalk	R. A. Neilson	H. C. Moody
450	aHawkesbury	Hawkesbury	Geo. A. Cass	J. W. Holthy
451	aSomerville	Kinmount	J. T. Holbrook	C. W. Wellstood
452	aAvonmore	Avonmore	A. F. MacRae	E. R. McMillan
453	aRoyal	Fort William	Geo. Marr	F. C. Perry
454	aCorona	Burk's Falls	John McCaughlin	J. J. Wilson
455	aDoric	Little Current	W. G. Grothier	O. T. Bennett
456	aElma	Monkton	Rev. E. A. Thomson	A. Chalmers
457	aCentury	Merlin	John Wands	Hairy Gosnell
458	aWales	Wales	J. H. Maginnis	Geo. D. Colquhoun
459	aCobden	Cobden	Thos. Smith	A. C. Allen
460	aRideau	Seeley's Bay	Rev. E. Codling	C. C. Gilbert
461	aIonic	Rainy River	W. D. Douglass	E. E. Jess
462	aTemiskaming	New Liskeard	John Donaldson	J. H. Brown
463	aNorth Entrance	Haliburton	Alex Spier	H. H. Clark
464	aKing Edward	Sunderland	L. M. Pinkham	R. A. Purvis
465	aCarleton	Carp	N. Mulligan	Geo. A. Moore
466	aCoronation	Elmvale	Walter Crowe	J. T. Foster
467	aTottenham	Tottenham	C. A. Weaver	J. J. McKnight
468	aPeel	Caledon East	R. J. Nelson	J. W. Phillips
469	aAlgoma	Sault Ste. Marie	J. Dudley	D. W. Hilts
470	aVictoria	Victoria Harbor	K. S. Miller	J. P. Schissler
471	aKing Edward VII	Chippawa	A. E. Rogers	Wm. Smeaton
472	aGore Bay	Gore Bay	Stewart Clarke	C. C. Platt
473	aThe Beaches	Toronto	Frazier Matthews	S. J. Manchester
474	aVictoria	Toronto	C. F. Topping	G. H. Cooper
475	aDundurn	Hamilton	Geo. Milne	J. M. Dunlop
476	aCorinthian	North Gower	R. A. Craig	J. H. Cryderman
477	aHarding	Woodville	A. D. McIntyre	A. E. Staback
478	aMilverton	Milverton	Wm. T. Shearer	E. Seigner
479	aRussell	Russell	H. H. Shepherd	W. B. Morgan
480	aWilliamsburg	Williamsburg	Orrin Wylie	J. A. Barkley
481	aCorinthian	Toronto	W. M. David	B. Hannigan
482	aBancroft	Bancroft	C. W. Mullett	R. F. Delyea
483	aGranton	Granton	Herbert Cook	R. S. Hobbs
484	aGolden Star	Dryden	F. P. Matthews	A. Clempson
485	aHaileybury	Haileybury	M. S. Grover	J. W. Young
486	aSilver	Cobalt	Kenneth Mackay	H. G. Cherry
487	aPenewobikong	Blind River	Jos. Lidstone	Geo. J. McArthur
488	aKing Edward	Harrow	P. T. Clark	G. E. Johnston
489	aOsiris	Smith's Falls	Chas. McLean	O. C. Abbott
490	aHiram	Markdale	T. H. Reburn	J. C. Mercer
491	aCardinal	Cardinal	R. A. Turner	W. T. Kingston
492	aKarnak	Coldwater	Geo. T. Sullivan	Edward Haskell
493	aSt. Marys	St. Mary's	H. W. Maxwell	L. G. Maxwell
494	aRiverdale	Toronto	Wm. R. Ward	J. W. Malcolm
495	aElectric	Hamilton	Leroy Holmes	W. F. Montague
496	aUniversity	Toronto	W. J. Dunlop	P. W. Rogers
497	aSt. Andrew's	Arden	Gilbert Cronk	F. L. Wormworth
498	aKing George V.	Coboconk	S. T. Davey	Chas M. Callan
499	aPort Arthur	Port Arthur	Jas. Burden	A. Rome
500	aRose	Windsor	A. W. Reid	M. P. McMaster

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442	2nd Thursday	9	4	5	1	1						125
443	2nd Friday	10	5	2	3	3		1			1	78
444	Tue. on or aft. F.M.	5	6	7	1	3		2				88
445	2nd Wednesday	5	6	7		1		4				63
446	1st Tuesday	35	29	23	5	4		4			2	155
447	2nd Thursday	3	3	4	1	2	1	4			1	87
448	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	4	4	4	1	1	1					70
449	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	4	5	3	1	1		2				79
450	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	10	12	11		1		1				101
451	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	5	7	7		5						67
452	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	5	3	2		1						104
453	1st Wednesday	19	17	13	2		1				2	203
454	2nd Monday	9	7	7	1							105
455	2nd Tuesday	8	8	7			2	3				104
456	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	2				2						56
457	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	8	16	17			1	1				112
458	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	8	6	4		1						102
459	2nd Tuesday	6	5	7	1	7						118
460	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	1	7	10			2					76
461	1st Thursday	5	4	3			3					93
462	3rd. Thursday	16	10	6		2	2	23			3	116
463	3rd Thursday	7	7	5			1					73
464	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	7	6	5								84
465	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	6	7	8		1		4				72
466	1st. Friday	7	8	10		2	1					96
467	Mon. on or aft. F.M.	4	6	6		2						73
468	Fri. on or aft. F.M.	4	6	7	1	1	2					103
469	2nd Monday	16	14	15	3	2	1					293
470	Wed. on or bef. F.M.	7	5	8		2	1	3				133
471	1st Wednesday	10	8	8			2				1	90
472	1st Wednesday	6	8	10	1	1		1				101
473	2nd Friday	16	20	21	5	7					1	298
474	3rd Tuesday	53	39	39	2	10	3					394
475	3rd Saturday	51	59	51	5	4	4	4			4	504
476	Fri. on or bef. F.M.	6	4	5							1	85
477	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	1		1		1	1	1				77
478	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	4	6	4	2	1						84
479	Mon. on or aft. F.M.	6	9	13		4					1	148
480	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	5	5	5			1	4			4	61
481	4th Thursday	60	56	63	2	2	1	2				314
482	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	8	16	14	1	3	4				2	163
483	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	10	10	11	1	3						74
484	2nd Tuesday	14	9	8	2	5	2					99
485	1st Thursday	11	10	18	2	6	2	5			2	196
486	1st Monday	15	17	14	5	2	3	11				242
487	2nd Monday	1	2	2		1	2	1				74
488	Tue. on or bef. F.M.		3	3	1	1	1					97
489	Friday aft. F.M.	16	15	12	3	4	2					124
490	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	3	1	2	1							50
491	2nd Friday	5	9	8	2	3					1	95
492	Thur. on or bef. F.M.	7	7	7	1			1				87
493	4th Monday	12	16	15			1					168
494	4th Friday	38	37	58	6	7	3	9			2	382
495	3rd Wednesday	43	40	39	7	13	1				1	501
496	2nd Wednesday	43	47	62	19	5	6					370
497	Tue. on or bef. F.M.	1	4	6							1	81
498	Mon. on or bef. F.M.	6	7	7		2	1				1	67
499	2nd Monday	26	23	17	2	3	2	10			2	271
500	3rd Tuesday	17	23	17	5		2					144

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501	aConnaught	Mimico	Fred Bragg	Geo. S. Brown
502	Coronation	Smithville	Fred Boulter	J. H. Patterson
503	aInwood	Inwood	Jas. H. Johnston	W. R. Dawson
504	Otter	Lombardy	Harold Walker	O. W. Wright
505	aLynden	Lynden	Stewart McDonald	Wm. A. Smith
506	aPorcupine	Porcupine	Geo. Lake	S. R. Way
507	aElk Lake	Elk Lake	I. M. Coghill	O. Bellanger
508	aOzias	Brantford	Harry C. Thomas	F. W. Benedict
509	Twin City	Kitchener	Geo. W. Stewart	Geo. DeKleinhans
510	aParkdale	Toronto	A. J. Murray	G. E. Buchanan
511	aConnaught	W. Port William	D. McMillan	Rev. A. J. Bruce
512	Malone	Sutton W.	H. A. Thompson	O. J. Silver
513	aCorinthian	Hamilton	V. K. Stalford	J. R. Croft
514	aSt. Alban's	Toronto	John L. Davidson	Geo. T. Gardiner
515	aReba	Brantford	S. W. Seago	D. E. Russell
516	aEnterprise	Beachburg	T. H. Collins	P. C. Creeggan
517	aHazeldean	Hazeldean	A. M. McCormick	J. R. McGuire
518	aSioux Lookout	Sioux Lookout	W. A. Hill	J. H. Nelson
519	aOnondaga	Onondaga	Geo. E. Wood	Arthur Barton
520	aCoronati	Toronto	Geo. H. Elson	J. T. Stephenson
521	aOntario	Windsor	J. A. Wickens	J. R. Thomson
522	aMount Sinai	Toronto	J. B. Danson	C. E. Garrard
523	aRoyal Arthur	Peterborough	G. W. Haley	W. A. Logan
524	aMississauga	Port Credit	D. C. Cotton	W. H. Armes
525	aTemple	Toronto	Geo. E. May	Chas. W. Long
526	aIonic	Westboro'	P. E. Waters	Thos. Saunders
527	aEspañola	Espanola	Andrew Forbes	J. W. Darby
528	aGolden Beaver	Timmins	B. E. Martin	G. F. Bailey
529	aMyra	Komoka	P. Barher	W. R. Bishop
530	aCochrane	Cochrane	E. C. Ward	Alex. T. King
531	aHigh Park	Toronto	Thos. W. Heron	R. B. Magill
532	aCanada	Toronto	G. H. Creber	J. E. Baker
533	aShamrock	Toronto	A. W. Allingham	E. W. Leith
534	aEnglehart	Englehart	Jas. C. Johnston	H. G. Murdock
535	aPhoenix	Fonthill	L. E. Haist	G. R. Sécord
536	aAlgonquin	Copper Cliff	R. L. Moorhouse	W. T. Waterbury
537	aUlster	Toronto	Thos. H. Wilson	Geo. Chambers
538	aEarl Kitchener	Port McNicoll	Alvin Gallagher	Wm. Stephenson
539	aWaterloo	Waterloo	John C. Maebus	C. O. Hemphill
540	aAbitibi	Iroquois Falls	A. J. Hodgson	Geo. S. Pincott
541	aTuscan	Toronto	Wm. H. Stirling	S. J. Jackson
542	aMetropolitan	Toronto	F. S. Livingston	A. L. Tinker
543	aImperial	Toronto	A. G. Corscadden	J. E. Walker
544	aLincoln	Ahingdon	Chas. H. Snyder	Stanley Young
545	aJohn Ross Robertson	Toronto	A. C. Scott	G. C. Austin
546	aTalbot	St. Thomas	H. C. MacDonald	W. A. McPherson
547	aVictory	Toronto	Austin Evans	P. W. Rogers
548	aGeneral Mercer	Toronto	R. B. Paterson	C. H. Deaden
549	aIonic	Hamilton	A. J. Lainchbury	S. A. Wait
550	aBuchanan	Hamilton	D. A. Gallagher	J. A. Paterson
551	aTuscan	Hamilton	John E. Clegg	H. E. Warner
552	aQueen City	Toronto	G. Carey	W. B. Thompson
553	aOakwood	Toronto	W. M. Maltby	Wm. Hyndman
554	aBorder Cities	Windsor	B. R. McKenzie	E. T. Howe
555	aWardrope	Hamilton	F. T. Richardson	A. E. Wilcox
556	aNation	Spencerville	P. R. Barnard	M. M. McGuire
557	aFinch	Finch	D. A. McNaughton	J. S. Stark
558	aSidney Albert Luke	Ottawa	D. R. Kennedy	W. E. Hayes

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502	Mon. on or bef. F. M.....	8	5	1	1							78
503	Mon. on or bef. F. M.....	14	13	9	1							87
504	Tue. on or bef. F. M.....	2	3			1						37
505	Wed. on or bef. F. M.....	2	2	2	1		1					81
506	1st Thursday.....	11	10	11	3			1			1	129
507	2nd Friday.....	3	3	6	1	1	1					86
508	3rd Tuesday.....	27	28	27	6							142
509	4th Friday.....	21	22	22	1	2					1	182
510	2nd Friday.....	34	48	29	1	4		1			1	212
511	3rd Monday.....	7	9	13	2	2	1					129
512	Wed. on or bef F. M.....	8	6	5								110
513	4th Thursday.....	62	62	48	15	1	2					447
514	3rd Monday.....	41	54	64	2	1	2	8				372
515	2nd Friday.....	14	17	20	1	1						209
516	1st Monday.....	4	6	3	1							82
517	Wed. on or bef. F. M.....	2	1		1		1					64
518	1st Monday.....	23	27	24	6	1	1				3	153
519	Last Friday.....	9	8	7	2							74
520	2nd Tuesday.....	27	35	50	3	2	1	2				344
521	1st Monday.....	58	47	63	4	1	3	2				329
522	2nd Tuesday.....	64	62	46	2		2	3				297
523	1st Monday.....	11	10	11	8	3	1					118
524	2nd Thursday.....	11	13	13	2	3	1					112
525	4th Tuesday.....	33	43	53	4	2	3					258
526	2nd Wednesday.....	17	19	18	1	4	1					170
527	1st Wednesday.....	9	8	9	2	3		2				74
528	2nd Wednesday.....	14	13	12		3	1		1		2	125
529	Mon. on or bef. F. M.....	4	5	4	1		1					58
530	2nd Friday.....	16	18	19	3	4		2				94
531	3rd Thursday.....	55	75	83	15	4	5	12			2	520
532	1st Friday.....	42	45	45	1	4		2				291
533	3rd Tuesday.....	44	57	45	3	3	2					349
534	Mon. on or bef. F. M.....	16	8	10			2	6				98
535	Mon. on or aft. F. M.....	6	3	4			1					76
536	3rd Tuesday.....	9	8	5	7							95
537	1st Monday.....	86	78	90	19	1	3					475
538	Tue. on or bef. F. M.....	2	2	3		3		2				55
539	1st Wednesday.....	10	16	18	2	2	1					101
540	3rd Friday.....	20	20	23		2	1	1				108
541	3rd Friday.....	48	51	65	6	11	1	4				382
542	4th Wednesday.....	17	21	29	6	1						135
543	4th Monday.....	14	24	30	3	1	1					201
544	Fri. on or bef. F. M.....	9	4	6	2		1					58
545	3rd Tuesday.....	37	31	35	1	4		1				277
546	4th Thursday.....	19	31	36	2	1						203
547	2nd Wednesday.....	9	8	7	1		1					87
548	2nd Friday.....	43	41	59	1	3	1					188
549	1st Wednesday.....	29	36	42	5	2						122
550	1st Thursday.....	54	48	47	6							173
551	1st Thursday.....	86	105	80	6							254
552	1st Wednesday.....	56	68	67	7	8						242
553	2nd Monday.....	34	35	34	7			1				166
554	1st Saturday.....	23	22	24		1						90
555	4th Monday.....	79	79	75	16	1						241
556	1st Friday.....	15	16	12	2	3						53
557	Thur. on or bef. F. M.....	7	7	2	4		1					69
558	2nd Wednesday.....	17	17	22	5	1						95

RETURNS OF LODGES AS

See Pages 350—353 for List of

Lodges marked (a) hold their Installation of Officers on or near the Festiva

The names of the W. M. and Secretary

No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where held	W. Master	Secretary
559	Palestine..	Toronto	Edward Fellman	Harry Melvin
560	St. Andrew's	Ottawa	J. B. Ferguson	F. C. Baker
561	Acacia	Westboro'	M. N. Cummings	C. W. Crockett
562	Hamilton	Hamilton	W. J. Hallett	D. R. Gibson
563	Victory	Chatham	Neil Smith	W. Scurr
564	Ashlar	Ottawa	W. G. Esdale	Wm. Short
565	Kilwinning	Toronto	Alex. Hain	Thos. Forsytha
566	King Hiram	Toronto	F. G. Adams	J. C. Bruce
567	St. Aidan's	Toronto	H. J. Wharin	Robt. E. Mills
568	Hullett	Londesboro'	Thos. Sampson	John Fingland
569	Doric	Lakeside	W. H. Dunlop	F. G. Seaton
570	Dufferin	Toronto	T. A. Carson	I. H. Burns
571	Antiquity	Toronto	W. J. Armstrong	Jas. Herriot
572	Mizpah	Toronto	T. J. Bennett	P. Bennett
573	Adoniram	Niagara Falls	C. H. Stringer	H. M. Little
574	Craig	Ailsa Craig	Donald Gray	J. A. Bell
575	Fidelity	Toronto	Rev. G. H. Purchase	W. Moull
576	Mimosa	Toronto	F. Abbott	H. G. French
577	St. Clair	Toronto	F. G. I. Whetter	P. Back
578	Queen's	Kingston	W. T. Connell	E. W. Skinner
579	Harmony	Windsor	C. R. Tuson	R. D. Ferguson
580	Acacia	London	E. N. Fremlin	J. W. Plewes
581	Harcourt	Toronto	John M. Miller	A. D. Wilson
582	Sunnyside	Toronto	R. H. Dee	R. T. Hogg
583	Transportation	Toronto	John Boyd	H. R. Butterill
584	Kaministiquia	Fort William	S. B. Chamberlain	S. C. Read
585	Royal Edward	Kingston	Wm. Jackson	W. J. Saunders
586	War Veterans	Toronto	Geo. Ross	H. Davis
587	Patricia	Toronto	M. F. Smeall	W. T. Davidson
588	National	Capreol	A. H. Cavanagh	L. W. Ellis
589	Grey	Toronto	G. H. Armstrong	J. W. Tucker
590	Defenders	Ottawa	W. C. N. Marriott	A. M. McCormick
591	North Gate	Toronto	John Cook	A. W. Urmy
592	Fairbank	Toronto	Ichn T. Watson	D. D. Smith
593	St. Andrew's	Hamilton	Donald Munro	F. W. Davidson
594	Hillcrest	Hamilton	O. J. Newell	Geo. A. Sweatman
595	Rideau	Ottawa	Chas. F. Winter	A. C. Wiltshire
596	Martintown	Martintown	Alex. G. Gordon	D. H. McDougall
597	Temple	London	A. M. Trick	O. C. Barrie
598	Dominion	Windsor	H. W. Wilson	D. A. Chater
599	Mount Dennis	Toronto	B. B. Halladay	W. T. Roberts
600	Maple Leaf	Toronto	John A. Cooper	Wm. Moull
601	St. Paul	Sarnia	Thos. Paul	J. F. Newton
602	Hugh Murray	Hamilton	Arthur Lavis	J. H. Leach
603	Campbell	Campbellville	T. H. Snyder	W. W. Stewart
604	Palace	Windsor	F. B. B. Patten	John A. McNab
605	Melita	Toronto	G. M. Hermiston	Fred. C. Becker
606	Unity	Toronto	E. J. Repath	T. S. Evans
607	Golden Fleece	Toronto	A. E. Stone	F. A. Beatty
608	Gothic	Lindsay	J. B. Begg	W. R. Allely
U.D.	Tavistock	Tavistock	H. H. Reid	
U.D.	Fontenac	Sharbot Lake	M. R. Reid	
U.D.	Ashlar	Byron	John H. Morrison	B. L. Dawson
U.D.	Huron-Bruce	Toronto	W. E. Struthers	

AT DECEMBER 31, 1921.

Special Addresses of Secretaries

of St. John the Evangelist, all others on or near that of St. John the Baptist.

are corrected up to July 19, 1922.

No. of Lodge	Night of Meeting	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	Resigned	Dead	Suspend. N.P.D.	Suspend. U.M.C.	Expelled	Restored	Total Members
559	4th Wednesday	37	39	39	1		1					116
560	1st Thursday	20	19	25	9	4						130
561	4th Friday	22	22	13	9		1					78
562	2nd Monday	75	89	83	17	3						241
563	2nd Tuesday	31	37	17	7	2						157
564	1st Saturday	23	23	30		4		2				93
655	3rd Friday	66	61	72	23		1					209
666	1st Friday	35	40	39	8	2						119
667	3rd Friday	6	2	6	8							60
668	Tue. on or bef. F. M.	8	7	9								34
669	Tue. on or aft. F. M.	4	2	8			1					47
570	1st Tuesday	36	42	39	7	1						110
571	3rd Wednesday	45	44	37	2	1						101
572	4th Thursday	138	117	131	2	2						259
573	3rd Monday	80	68	63	9							118
574	Thur. on or aft. F. M.	15	14	10	40							55
575	4th Thursday	33	27	21	47	1						79
576	1st Monday	43	31	18	64		1					106
577	1st Wednesday	71	35	17	68		1					138
578	3rd Monday	13	8		63							76
579	2nd Saturday	22	18	13	49							71
580	2nd Saturday	57	35	22	42							99
581	3rd Wednesday	7	1		38							40
582	3rd Wednesday	54	42	30	44		1					97
583	2nd Monday	17	11	6	74							91
584	1st Monday	13			32		1					40
585	1st Friday	4	3	1	37							41
586	1st Friday	19	11	6	92	4						107
587	2nd Wednesday	27	11	3	32							59
588	1st Tuesday	7			19							26
589	2nd Friday	2			54							56
590	1st Wednesday	1			50							51
591	4th Thursday											
592	3rd Monday											
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605	4th Saturday											
606	4th Saturday											
607	3rd Thursday											
608	3rd Monday											
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U.D.	Tuesday bef. F.M.											
U.D.	4th Monday											
U.D.	3rd Monday											
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P O ADDRESSES OF SECRETARIES

Special Addresses of Secretaries of Lodges in the Cities, and in other places where the Secretary's address is not the same as that of the Lodge.

No.	Lodge	Location	Secretary and P.O. Address
3	Ancient St. John's	Kingston	A. W. Cathcart, 217 Frontenac St.
5	St. Andrew's	Brockville	T. H. Guest, 374 King St. W.
6	Barton	Hamilton	W. H. F. Waiteley, 15 Market Sq.
15	St. George's	St. Catharines	A. N. Lindsay, 18 Queen St.
16	St. Andrew's	Toronto	J. D. Keachie, 66 Asquith Ave.
20	St. John's	London	Rich. Booth, 230 Wellington St.
22	King Solomon's	Toronto	Chas. T. Hoare, 307 Sunnyside Ave.
25	Ionic	Toronto	Harcourt Ferguson, 59 Yonge St.
27	Strict Observance	Hamilton	H. W. Linton, 68 Barnesdale Ave. S.
40	St. John's	Hamilton	B. L. Simpson, 94 Delaware Ave.
42	St. George's	London	Jos. Vivian, 138 Elmwood Ave.
43	King Solomon's	Woodstock	A. W. Massie, 717 Rutabourne Ave.
44	St. Thomas	St. Thomas	F. W. Judd, 387 Talbot St.
45	Brant	Bramford	Geo. Whitwill, 149 Sheridan St.
47	Great Western	Windsor	John Fru, 522 Douglass Ave.
50	Consecon	Consecon	W. W. Ward, R. R. No. 2
52	Dalnoisie	Ottawa	H. W. Jackson, 25 Sparks St.
56	Victoria	Sarnia	H. W. Unsworth, 191 Front St.
57	Harmony	Binbrook	James D. Rose, Blackheath
58	Doric	Ottawa	J. A. Ross, Customs Dept.
61	Acacia	Hamilton	C. E. Kelly, 73 Melrose Ave.
64	Kilwinning	London	W. Lancaster, 15 Stanley St.
65	Rehoboam	Toronto	Geo. H. Mitchell, W.W. Dept., City Hall
74	St. James	S. Augusta	F. L. Bissell, Algonquin
75	St. John's	Toronto	O. T. Randall, 17 George St.
86	Wilson	Toronto	W. L. Lawler, 112 Winchester St.
88	St. George's	Owen Sound	John M. Campbell, 1165 Second Ave. W.
92	Cataraqui	Kingston	H. A. Graham, 382 Albert St.
101	Corinthian	Peterborough	R. F. Downey, 295 Boswell Ave.
103	Maple Leaf	St. Catharines	H. J. Jonnston, Inland Revenue Dept.
105	St. Mark's	Niagara Falls	S. M. Payne, 126 Main St.
139	Lebanon	Ottawa	H. A. Saunders, 112 William St. E.
144	Tecumseh	Stratford	F. S. Smith, 256 Downie St.
148	Civil Service	Ottawa	H. L. Lothrop, 331 James St.
149	Erie	Port Dover	J. C. King, R.R. No. 3, Simcoe
151	Grand River	Kitchener	P. Fisher, 11 Elgin St.
155	Peterborough	Peterborough	D. D. Brown, 400 George St.
156	York	Toronto	W. E. Holland, 415 1/2 Wellesley St.
171	Prince of Wales	Lawrence Sta.	Robt. G. Little, R. R. No. 1, Iona Station
177	The Builders	Ottawa	H. H. Cairns, 403 Rideau St.
178	Plattsville	Plattsville	John Bristow, Bright
180	Speed	Guelph	T. E. Cotton, 26 Surrey St. W.
195	Tuscan	London	F. H. Greenlees, c/o Fraser & Moore
209a	St. John's	London	J. E. Keenleyside, 215 Royal Bank Building
218	Stevenson	Toronto	H. C. H. Corneil, 328 Seaton St.
231	Lodge of Fidelity	Ottawa	C. B. Patten, 519 Lyon St.
247	Ashlar	Toronto	W. H. Lyon 156 Yonge St.
253	Minden	Kingston	R. S. Graham, 236 Albert St.
254	Clifton	Niagara Falls	S. D. Warren, 16 Huron St.
257	Galt	Galt	E. F. Hetherington, 50 Ceda. St.
258	Guelph	Guelph	F. F. Sweetman, 394 Woolwich St.
264	Chaudiere	Ottawa	Thos. H. Hoare, 323 Waverley St.
267	Parthenon	Chatham	J. G. Martin, 23 Charter St.
270	Cedar	Oshawa	Thos. Hawkes, 224 Mary St.
272	Seymour	Ancaster	J. L. Pickard, R.R. No. 1,
296	Temple	St. Catharines	C. A. Brown, 150 1/2 St. Paul St.
299	Victoria	Centreville	H. A. Carseallen, Enteprise
309	Morning Star	Carlow	R. M. Young, R.R. No. 5, Goderich
316	Doric	Toronto	Harty P. Reid, 384 Delaware Ave.
324	Temple	Hamilton	C. H. Cunaing 1am, 17 Carrick Ave.
326	Zetland	Toronto	J. H. Macabe, 58 Kendal Ave.
328	Ionic	Napier	W. T. Buchanan, Kerwood
330	Corinthian	London	H. J. Childs, 500 Adelaide St. W.
332	Stratford	Stratford	E. Denroche, 185 Water St.

	Lodge	Location	Secretary and P.O. Address
334	Prince Arthur	Arthur	P. Greig, R. R. No. 1
339	Orient	Toronto	C. H. Grainger, 403 Parliament St.
343	Georgina	Toronto	Geo. Tompson, 419 Brunswick Ave.
358	Delaware Valley	Delaware	Chas. Tompson, Mt. Brydges
361	Waverley	Guelph	Jos. A. Hewitt, 167 Eramosa Rd.
364	Dufferin	Melbourne	Geo. J. Stevenson, R.R. No. 1 Appin
367	St. George	Toronto	A. G. A. Nelson, 44 Mountview Ave.
369	Mimico	Lambton Mills	W. A. Beecroft, 64 Ellis Ave., Swansea
371	Prince of Wales	Ottawa	A. E. Revell, 28 Euclid Ave.
377	Lorne	Snelburne	Samuel Patterson, R. R. No. 5
378	King Solomon's	London	Wm. Nicholls, 175 Wnarncliffe Rd.
379	Middlesex	Bryanston	Alex. Grant, R.R. No. 4, Ilderton
380	Union	London	Jos. Ward, 97 Tecumseh Ave.
382	Doric	Hamilton	Dr. C. V. Emory, Main & Walnut
384	Alpha	Toronto	E. J. Voss, 182 Galley Ave.
404	Lorne	Tamworth	J. W. Milligan, R.R. No. 1
410	Zeta	Toronto	W. E. Robson, 179 Concord Ave.
415	Fort William	Fort William	J. A. Underhill, 429 S. Norah St.
419	Liberty	Sarnia	W. J. Alcock, 189 Euphemia St.
426	Stanley	Toronto	Wm. Harris, 190 Osler Ave.
424	Doric	Pickering	A. E. Stork, R.R. No. 1
430	Acacia	Toronto	R. G. Allan, 2497 Danforth Ave.
434	Algonquin	Ernsdale	Jas. H. Metcalfe, Katrine Sta.
437	Tuscan	Sarnia	W. J. Barrie, 170 N. Christina St.
438	Harmony	Toronto	T. M. Kinsman, 1044 College St.
453	Royal	Fort William	F. C. Perry, s10 S. Vickers St.
473	The Beaches	Toronto	S. J. Manchester, 70 Edgewood Ave.
474	Victoria	Toronto	G. H. Cooper, 428 Brock Ave.
475	Dundurn	Hamilton	J. M. Dunlop, 239 Hlonton Ave. S.
480	Williamsburg	Williamsburg	J. A. Barclay, R.R. No. 2
481	Corinthian	Toronto	B. Hannigan, 17 Claude Ave.
494	Riverdale	Toronto	J. W. Malcolm, 742 Logan Ave.
495	Electric	Hamilton	W. F. Montague, Drawer 349.
496	University	Toronto	P. W. Rogers, 441 Euclid Ave.
499	Port Arthur	Port Arthur	A. Rome, 123 Prospect Ave.
501	Connaught	Mimico	Geo. S. Brown, Box 34, Humber Bay
508	Ozias	Brantford	F. W. Benedict, City Hall
509	Twin City	Kitchener	Geo. DeKleinhaus, 195 Queen St. S.
510	Parkdale	Toronto	G. E. Buchanan, 15 Macdonell Ave.
511	Connaught	Fort William W.	Rev. A. J. Bruce, 1309 Edward St.
513	Corinthian	Hamilton	J. R. Croft, 104 Burris St.
514	S. Alban's	Toronto	Geo. T. Gardiner, 24 Simpson Ave.
515	Reba	Brantford	D. E. Russell, 201 Colborne St.
517	Hazeldean	Hazeldean	J. R. McGuire, R.R. No. 1, Stitts- ville
519	Onondaga	Onondaga	Arthur Barton, R.R. No. 1, Cains- ville
520	Coronati	Toronto	J. T. Stephenson, 49 Mariory St.
521	Ontario	Windsor	J. R. Tomson, Room 4, City Hall
522	Mt. Sinai	Toronto	C. E. Garard, 53 Imperial Bank Building
523	Royal Arthur	Peterborough	W. A. Logan, 213 Macdonnell St.
524	Mississauga	Port Credit	Walter H. Armes, 25 Victor Ave., Mimico Beach
525	Temple	Toronto	Chas. W. Long, 104 Fallis Ave.
526	Ionic	Westboro'	Thos. Saunders, Woodroffe
531	High Park	Toronto	R. B. Magill, 535 W. Marion St.
532	Canada	Toronto	J. E. Barker, 106 Withrow Ave.
533	Shamrock	Toronto	E. W. Leith, 84 Gothic Ave.
537	Ulster	Toronto	Geo. Chambers, 50 Salisbury Ave.
541	Tuscan	Toronto	S. J. Jackson, 897 Bloor St. W.
542	Metropolitan	Toronto	A. L. Tinker, 371 E. Eglinton Ave.
543	Imperial	Toronto	J. E. Walker, 33 Avenue Road
544	Lincoln	Abingdon	Stanley Young, R.R. No. 1, Caistor Centre
545	John Ross Robertson	Toronto	G. C. Austin, 146 Kenilworth Ave.
546	Talbot	St. Thomas	W. A. McPherson, 25 Alma St.
547	Victory	Toronto	P. W. Rogers, 441 Euclid Ave.
548	General Mercer	Toronto	C. H. Darden, 14 Juniper Ave.
549	Ionic	Hamilton	S. A. Wait, 105 Maple Ave.
550	Buchanan	Hamilton	J. A. Paterson, 81 Empress Ave.
551	Tuscan	Hamilton	H. E. Warden, 133 East Ave. N.

552	Queen City	Toronto	W. B. Thompson, 800 Pape Ave.
553	Oakwood	Toronto	Wm Hyndman, 107 Westmount A.
554	Border Cities	Windsor	E. T. Howe, 829 London St. W.
555	Wardrope	Hamilton	A. E. Wilcox, 154 Hess St.
558	Sidney Albert Luke	Ottawa	W. E. Hayes, 329 James St.
559	Palestine	Toronto	Harry Melvin, 1403 Ossington Ave.
560	St. Andrew's	Ottawa	F. C. Baker, 226 Waverley St.
562	Hamilton	Hamilton	D. R. Gibson, 87 Sanford Ave. S.
564	Ashlar	Ottawa	Wm Sior, 58 Creighton St.
565	Kilwinning	Toronto	Thos. Forsyth, 34 Lincoln Ave.
566	King Hiram	Toronto	J. G. Bruce, Box 114, Station "D."
567	St. Aidah's	Toronto	Robt. E. Mills, 58 Neville Park Blvd
570	Dufferin	Toronto	I. H. Burns, 256 Margueretta St.
571	Antiquity	Toronto	Jas. Herriott, 913 Dovercourt Rd.
572	Mizpah	Toronto	P. Bennett, 354 Shaw St.
573	Adoniram	Niagara Falls	H. M. Little, 502 Victoria Ave.
575	Fidelity	Toronto	W. Moull, 11 Lindsay Ave.
576	Mimosa	Toronto	H. G. French, 76 Jackman Ave.
577	St. Clair	Toronto	P. Baco, 183 Grace St.
578	Queen's	Kingston	E. W. Skinner, 28 Garrett St.
579	Harmony	Windsor	R. D. Ferguson, 318 Victoria Ave.
580	Acacia	London	J. W. Plewes, Income Tax Office.
581	Harcourt	Toronto	A. D. Wilson, 505 Empire Bldg.
582	Sunnyside	Toronto	Robt. T. Hogg, 71 Lindsay Ave.
583	Transportation	Toronto	H. R. Butterill, 256 Wright Ave.
585	Royal Edward	Kingston	W. J. Saunders, 124 Beverley St.
586	War Veterans	Toronto	H. Davis, 320 Roncesvalles Ave.
587	Patricia	Toronto	W. T. Davidson, 379 Indian Grove
589	Grey	Toronto	J. W. Tucker, 33 Regal Road
590	Defenders	Ottawa	A. M. McCormick, 163 Laurier A. W.
591	North Gate	Toronto	A. W. Smry, 11 Davisville Ave
592	Fairbank	Toronto	D. D. Smita, 598 Laurier Ave.
593	St. Andrew's	Hamilton	F. W. Davidson, 52 Barnesdale Ave S.
594	Hillcrest	Hamilton	Geo. A. Sweatman, 42 Alpine Ave.
595	Rideau	Ottawa	A. C. Wiltshire, 49 Third Ave.
597	Temple	London	O. C. Barrie, 653 Queen's Ave.
598	Dominion	Windsor	D. A. Chater, 1 Royal Bank Bldg.
599	Mount Dennis	Toronto	W. T. Roberts, 7 Hollis Ave.
600	Maple Leaf	Toronto	Wm. Moull, 11 Lindsay Ave.
601	St. Paul	Sarnia	J. F. Newton, 186 Front St. N.
602	Hugh Murray	Hamilton	J. H. Leach, 283 King St. E.
604	Palace	Windsor	John A. McNab, 124 Onellette Ave.
605	Melita	Toronto	Fred. C. Becker, 339 1/2 Bathurst St.
606	Unity	Toronto	T. S. Evans, 1184 Bloor St. W., Apt. 2
607	Golden Fleece	Toronto	F. A. Beatty, 56 Stibbard Ave.

LIST OF LODGES—BY DISTRICTS

ERIE DISTRICT No. 1 (21 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Wm. T. Turner, Windsor

No. 34—Thistle.....	Amherstburg	No. 448—Xenophon.....	Wheatley
No. 41—St. George's.....	Kingsville	No. 457—Century.....	Merlin
No. 46—Wellington.....	Chatham	No. 488—King Edward.....	Harrow
No. 47—Great Western.....	Windsor	No. 500—Rose.....	Windsor
No. 267—Parthenon.....	Chatham	No. 521—Ontario.....	Windsor
No. 274—Kent.....	Blenheim	No. 554—Border Cities.....	Windsor
No. 290—Leamington.....	Leamington	No. 563—Victory.....	Chatham
No. 395—Parvain.....	Comber	No. 579—Harmony.....	Windsor
No. 402—Central.....	Essex	No. 598—Dominion.....	Windsor
No. 403—Windsor.....	Windsor	No. 604—Palace.....	Windsor
No. 413—Naphtali.....	Tilbury		

ERIE DISTRICT No. 1a (19 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Walter T. Jeffs, Dresden

No. 44—St. Thomas.....	St. Thomas	No. 327—Hammond.....	Wardsville
No. 94—St. Mark's.....	Port Stanley	No. 336—Highgate.....	Highgate
No. 120—Warren.....	Fingal	No. 364—Dufferin.....	Melbourne
No. 140—Malahide.....	Aylmer	No. 386—McColl.....	West Lorne
No. 171—Prince of Wales, Lawrence St		No. 390—Florence.....	Florence
No. 232—Cameron.....	Dutton	No. 391—Howard.....	Ridgetown
No. 245—Tecumseh.....	Tnamesville	No. 411—Rodney.....	Rodney
No. 255—Sydenham.....	Dresden	No. 422—Star of the East.....	Bothwell
No. 282—Lorne.....	Glencoe	No. 546—Talbot.....	St. Thomas
No. 302—St. David's.....	St. Thomas		

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT No. 2 (22 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Rich. Williamson, Watford

No. 56—Victoria.....	Sarnia	No. 307—Arkona.....	Arkona
No. 81—St. John's.....	Mt. Brydges	No. 312—Pnyx.....	Wallaceburg
No. 83—Beaver.....	Strathroy	No. 323—Alvinston.....	Alvinston
No. 116—Cassia.....	Thedford	No. 328—Ionic.....	Napier
No. 153—Burns.....	Wyoming	No. 302—Huron.....	Camlachie
No. 158—Alexandra.....	Oil Springs	No. 397—Leopold.....	Bridgen
No. 194—Petrolia.....	Petrolia	No. 419—Liberty.....	Sarnia
No. 238—Havelock.....	Watford	No. 425—St. Clair.....	Sombra
No. 260—Washington.....	Petrolia	No. 437—Tuscan.....	Sarnia
No. 263—Forest.....	Forest	No. 503—Inwood.....	Inwood
No. 294—Moore.....	Courtrig at	No. 601—St. Paul.....	Sarnia

LONDON DISTRICT No. 3 (23 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Benj. Noble, London

No. 20—St. John's.....	London	No. 358—Delaware Valley.....	Delaware e
No. 42—St. George's.....	London	No. 378—King Solomon's.....	London
No. 64—Kilwinning.....	London	No. 379—Middlesex.....	Bryanston
No. 107—St. Paul's.....	Lambeth	No. 380—Union.....	London
No. 190—Belmont.....	Belmont	No. 388—Henderson.....	Ilderton
No. 195—Tuscan.....	London	No. 394—King Solomon.....	Thamesford
No. 209a—St. John's.....	London	No. 399—Moffatt.....	Harrietsville
No. 289—Doric.....	Lobo	No. 529—Myra.....	Komoka
No. 300—Mount Olivet.....	Thorndale	No. 580—Acacia.....	London
No. 330—Corinthian.....	London	No. 597—Temple.....	London
No. 344—Merrill.....	Dorehester Sta.	U.D.—Ashlar.....	Byron
No. 345—Nilestown.....	Nilestown		

SOUTH HURON DISTRICT No. 4 (29 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Chas. E. Richardson, St. Marys

No. 33—Maitland.....	Goderich	No. 302—Blyth.....	Blyth
No. 73—St. James.....	St. Mary's	No. 309—Morning Star.....	Carlow
No. 84—Clinton.....	Clinton	No. 332—Stratford.....	Stratford
No. 133—Lebanon Forest.....	Exeter	No. 456—Elma.....	Monkton
No. 141—Tudor.....	Mitchell	No. 478—Milverton.....	Milverton
No. 144—Tecumseh.....	Stratford	No. 483—Granton.....	Granton
No. 154—Irving.....	Lucan	No. 493—St. Mary's.....	St. Mary's
No. 170—Britannia.....	Seaforth	No. 568—Hullett.....	Londesboro
No. 224—Zurick.....	Hensall	No. 574—Craig.....	Ailsa Craig
No. 233—Doric.....	Parkhill	U.D.—Tavistock.....	Tavistock

NORTH HURON DISTRICT No. 5 (10 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Theo. Morris, Palmerston

No. 93—Northern Light	Kincardine	No. 284—St. John's	Brussels
No. 162—Forest	Wroxeter	No. 286—Wingham	Wingham
No. 184—Old Light	Lucknow	No. 314—Blair	Palmerston
No. 225—Bernard	Listowel	No. 331—Fordwich	Fordwich
No. 276—Teeswater	Teeswater	No. 341—Bruce	Tiverton

WILSON DISTRICT No. 6 (19 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Jas. G. Archibald, Woodstock

No. 10—Norfolk	Simcoe	No. 178—Plattsville	Plattsville
No. 37—King Hiram	Ingersoll	No. 181—Oriental	Port Burwell
No. 43—King Solomon's	Woodstock	No. 217—Frederick	Delhi
No. 68—St. John's	Ingersoll	No. 237—Vienna	Vienna
No. 76—Oxford	Woodstock	No. 250—Thistle	Embro
No. 78—King Hiram	Tillsonburg	No. 259—Springfield	Springfield
No. 104—St. John's	Norwich	No. 261—Oak Branch	Innerkip
No. 108—Blenheim	Princeton	No. 359—Victoria	Vittoria
No. 149—Erie	Port Dover	No. 569—Doric	Lakeside
No. 174—Walsingham	Port Rowan		

WELLINGTON DISTRICT No. 7 (18 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. C. O. Hemphill, Waterloo

No. 72—Alma	Galt	No. 279—New Hope	Hespeler
No. 151—Grand River	Kitchener	No. 295—Conestogo	Drayton
No. 172—Ayr	Ayr	No. 297—Preston	Preston
No. 180—Speed	Guelph	No. 318—Wilmot	Baden
No. 203—Irvine	Elora	No. 321—Walker	Acton
No. 205—New Dominion	New Hamburg	No. 347—Mercer	Fergus
No. 219—Credit	Georgetown	No. 361—Waverley	Guelph
No. 257—Galt	Galt	No. 509—Twin City	Kitchener
No. 258—Guelph	Guelph	No. 539—Waterloo	Waterloo

HAMILTON DISTRICT No. 8 (30 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Frank Hills, Hamilton

No. 6—The Barton	Hamilton	No. 382—Doric	Hamilton
No. 27—Strict Observance	Hamilton	No. 409—Oakville	Oakville
No. 40—St. John's	Hamilton	No. 475—Dundurn	Hamilton
No. 57—Harmony	Binbrook	No. 495—Electric	Hamilton
No. 61—Acacia	Hamilton	No. 513—Corinthian	Hamilton
No. 62—St. Andrew's	Caledonia	No. 544—Lincoln	Abingdon
No. 100—Valley	Dundas	No. 549—Ionic	Hamilton
No. 135—St. Clair	Milton	No. 550—Buchanan	Hamilton
No. 165—Burlington	Burlington	No. 551—Tuscan	Hamilton
No. 166—Wentworth	Stoney Creek	No. 555—Wardrobe	Hamilton
No. 185—Enniskillen	York	No. 562—Hamilton	Hamilton
No. 272—Seymour	Ancaster	No. 593—St. Andrew's	Hamilton
No. 291—Dufferin	W. Flamboro	No. 594—Hillerest	Hamilton
No. 324—Temple	Hamilton	No. 602—Hugh Murray	Hamilton
No. 357—Waterdown	Millgrove	No. 603—Campbell	Campbellville

GEORGIAN DISTRICT No. 9 (19 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. David S. Morrow, Beeton

No. 90—Manito	Collingwood	No. 304—Minerva	Stroud
No. 96—Corinthian	Barrie	No. 348—Georgian	Penetanguishene
No. 137—Pythagoras	Meaford	No. 385—Spry	Beeton
No. 192—Orillia	Orillia	No. 444—Nitetic	Creemore
No. 230—Kerr	Barrie	No. 466—Coronation	Elmvale
No. 234—Beaver	Clarksburg	No. 467—Tottenham	Tottenham
No. 236—Manitoba	Cookstown	No. 470—Victoria	Victoria Harbour
No. 249—Caledonian	Midland	No. 492—Karnak	Coldwater
No. 266—Northern Light	Stayner	No. 538—Earl Kitchener Pt.	McNicoll
No. 285—Seven Star	Alliston		

NIAGARA DISTRICT No. 10 (21 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Wm. F. Fawcett, Port Colborne

No. 2—Niagara	Niagara	No. 277—Seymour	Port Dalhousie
No. 7—Union	Grimsby	No. 296—Temple	St. Catharines
No. 15—St. George's	St. Catharines	No. 337—Myrtle	Port Robinson
No. 32—Amity	Dunnville	No. 338—Dufferin	Wellandport
No. 103—Maple Leaf	St. Catharines	No. 372—Palmer	Bridgeburg
No. 105—St. Mark's	Niagara Falls	No. 373—Copestone	Welland
No. 115—Ivy	Bearsville	No. 471—King Edward VII	Chippawa
No. 168—Merritt	Welland	No. 502—Coronation	Smithville
No. 169—Macnab	Port Colborne	No. 535—Phoenix	Fonthill
No. 221—Mountain	Thorold	No. 573—Adoniram	Niagara Falls
No. 254—Clifton	Niagara Falls		

TORONTO WEST DISTRICT No. 11 (35 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. James A. Slade, Toronto

No. 98—True Blue	Bolton	No. 525—Temple	Toronto
No. 229—Ionic	Brampton	No. 531—High Park	Toronto
No. 305—Humber	Weston	No. 533—Shamrock	Toronto
No. 311—Blackwood	Woodbridge	No. 537—Ulster	Toronto
No. 346—Occident	Toronto	No. 541—Tuscan	Toronto
No. 356—River Park	Streetsville	No. 548—General Mercer	Toronto
No. 367—St. George	Toronto	No. 565—Kilwinning	Toronto
No. 369—Mimico	Lambton Mills	No. 566—King Hiram	Toronto
No. 384—Alpha	Toronto	No. 572—Mizpah	Toronto
No. 410—Zeta	Toronto	No. 575—Fidelity	Toronto
No. 426—Stanley	Toronto	No. 582—Sunnyside	Toronto
No. 468—Peel	Caledon East	No. 583—Transportation	Toronto
No. 474—Victoria	Toronto	No. 587—Patricia	Toronto
No. 496—University	Toronto	No. 599—Mount Dennis	Toronto
No. 501—Connaught	Mimico	No. 600—Maple Leaf	Toronto
No. 510—Parkdale	Toronto	No. 605—Melita	Toronto
No. 522—Mount Sinai	Toronto	No. 606—Unity	Toronto
No. 524—Mississauga	Port Credit		

TORONTO EAST DISTRICT No. 11a (26 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Percival J. Lee, Toronto

No. 16—St. Andrew's	Toronto	No. 430—Acacia	Toronto
No. 25—Ionic	Toronto	No. 464—King Edward	Sunderland
No. 75—St. John's	Toronto	No. 473—The Beaches	Toronto
No. 87—Markham Union	Markham	No. 494—Riverdale	Toronto
No. 136—Richardson	Stouffville	No. 520—Coronati	Toronto
No. 218—Stevenson	Toronto	No. 532—Canada	Toronto
No. 220—Zeredatha	Uxbridge	No. 543—Imperial	Toronto
No. 269—Brougham Union	Claremont	No. 545—John R. Robertson	Toronto
No. 316—Doric	Toronto	No. 547—Victory	Toronto
No. 339—Orient	Toronto	No. 552—Queen City	Toronto
No. 343—Georgina	Toronto	No. 567—St. Aidan's	Toronto
No. 354—Brock	Cannington	No. 576—Mimosa	Toronto
No. 424—Doric	Pickering	U.D.—Birchcliffe	Birchcliffe

TORONTO CENTRE DISTRICT No. 11b (32 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Ernest A. Lewis, Toronto

No. 22—King Solomon's	Toronto	No. 481—Corinthian	Toronto
No. 23—Richmond	Richmond	No. 512—Malone	Sutton West
No. 54—Vaughan	Maple	No. 514—St. Alban's	Toronto
No. 65—Rehoboam	Toronto	No. 542—Metropolitan	Toronto
No. 79—Simcoe	Bradford	No. 533—Oakwood	Toronto
No. 86—Wilson	Toronto	No. 559—Palestine	Toronto
No. 97—Sharon	Queensville	No. 570—Dufferin	Toronto
No. 99—Tuscan	Newmarket	No. 571—Antiquity	Toronto
No. 118—Union	Schomberg	No. 577—St. Clair	Toronto
No. 129—Rising Sun	Aurora	No. 581—Harcourt	Toronto
No. 156—York	Toronto	No. 586—War Veterans	Toronto
No. 247—Ashlar	Toronto	No. 589—Grey	Toronto
No. 265—Patterson	Thornhill	No. 591—North Gate	Toronto
No. 292—Robertson	King	No. 592—Fairbank	Toronto
No. 326—Zetland	Toronto	No. 607—Golden Fleece	Toronto
No. 438—Harmony	Toronto	U.D.—Huron-Bruce	Toronto

ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 12 (17 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. James Moore, Brooklin

No. 17—St. John's	Cobourg	No. 145—J. B. Hall	Millbrook
No. 26—Ontario	Port Hope	No. 161—Percy	Warkworth
No. 30—Composite	Whitby	No. 223—Norwood	Norwood
No. 31—Jerusalem	Bowmanville	No. 270—Cedar	Oshawa
No. 39—Mount Zion	Brooklin	No. 325—Orono	Orono
No. 66—Durham	Newcastle	No. 374—Keene	Keene
No. 91—Colborne	Colborne	No. 428—Fidelity	Port Perry
No. 114—Hope	Port Hope	No. 435—Havelock	Havelock
No. 139—Lebanon	Oshawa		

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT No. 13 (17 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Robt A. Backus, Belleville

No. 11—Moir	Belleville	No. 127—Frank	Frankford
No. 18—Prince Edward	Pictou	No. 164—Star in the East	Wellington
No. 29—United	Brighton	No. 215—Lake	Ameliasburg
No. 38—Trent	Trenton	No. 222—Marmora	Marmora
No. 48—Madoc	Madoc	No. 239—Tweed	Tweed
No. 50—Consecon	Consecon	No. 283—Eureka	Belleville
No. 69—Stirling	Stirling	No. 401—Craig	Deseronto
No. 123—Belleville	Belleville	No. 482—Bancroft	Bancroft
No. 126—Golden Rule	Campbellford		

FRONTENAC DISTRICT No. 14 (18 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Aubrey L. Lott, Gananoque

No. 3—Ancient St. John's	Kingston	No. 253—Minden	Kingston
No. 9—Union	Napanee	No. 299—Victoria	Centreville
No. 92—Catarqui	Kingston	No. 404—Lorne	Tamworth
No. 109—Albion	Harrowsmith	No. 441—Westport	Westport
No. 119—Maple Leaf	Bath	No. 460—Rideau	Seecley's Bay
No. 146—Prince of Wales	Newburgh	No. 497—St. Andrew's	Arden
No. 157—Simpson	Newboro	No. 578—Queen's	Kingston
No. 201—Leeds	Gananoque	No. 585—Royal Edward	Kingston
No. 228—Prince Arthur	Odessa	U.D.—Frontenac	Sharbot Lake

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT No. 15 (17 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Rich. A. Patterson, Kemptville

No. 5—Sussex	Brockville	No. 368—Salem	Brockville
No. 14—True Britons	Perth	No. 370—Harmony	Delta
No. 24—St. Francis	Smith's Falls	No. 387—Lansdowne	Lansdowne
No. 28—Mount Zion	Kemptville	No. 389—Crystal P'tain	N. Augusta
No. 55—Merrickville	Merrickville	No. 416—Lyn	Lyn
No. 74—St. James	South Augusta	No. 489—Osiris	Smith's Falls
No. 85—Rising Sun	Athens	No. 504—Otter	Lombardy
No. 110—Central	Prescott	No. 556—Nation	Spencerville
No. 242—Macoy	Mallorytown		

OTTAWA DISTRICT No. 16 (28 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Alex. H. McKee, Ottawa

No. 52—Dalhousie	Ottawa	No. 433—Bonnehcère	Eganville
No. 58—Doric	Ottawa	No. 459—Cobden	Cobden
No. 63—St. John's	Carlton Place	No. 465—Carleton	Carp
No. 122—Renfrew	Renfrew	No. 476—Corinthian	North Gower
No. 128—Pembroke	Pembroke	No. 479—Russell	Russell
No. 147—Mississippi	Almonte	No. 516—Enterprise	Beachburg
No. 148—Civil Service	Ottawa	No. 517—Hazeldean	Hazeldean
No. 159—Goodwood	Richmond	No. 526—Ionic	Westboro
No. 177—The Builders	Ottawa	No. 558—Sidney Albert Luke	Ottawa
No. 196—Madawaska	Arnprior	No. 560—St. Andrew's	Ottawa
No. 209—Evergreen	Lanark	No. 561—Acacia	Westboro
No. 231—Lodge of Fidelity	Ottawa	No. 564—Ashlar	Ottawa
No. 264—Chaudière	Ottawa	No. 590—Defenders	Ottawa
No. 371—Prince of Wales	Ottawa	No. 595—Rideau	Ottawa

ALGOMA DISTRICT No. 17 (14 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Wm. J. Ferguson, Port Arthur

No. 287—Shuniah	Port Arthur	No. 461—Ionic	Rainy River
No. 414—Pequonga	Kenora	No. 484—Golden Star	Dryden
No. 415—Fort William	Fort William	No. 499—Port Arthur	Port Arthur
No. 417—Keewatin	Keewatin	No. 511—Connaught W	Port William
No. 445—Lake of the Woods	Kenora	No. 518—Sioux Lookout	Sioux Look't
No. 446—Granite	Fort Frances	No. 584—Kaministiquia	Port William
No. 453—Royal	Fort William		

NIPISSING DISTRICT No. 18 (13 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. James A. Smith, North Bay

No. 405—Mattawa	Mattawa	No. 469—Algoma	Sault Ste. Marie
No. 412—Keystone	Sault Ste. Marie	No. 472—Gore Bay	Gore Bay
No. 420—Nipissing	North Bay	No. 487—Penewobikong	Blind River
No. 427—Nickel	Sudbury	No. 527—Española	Española
No. 442—Dyment	Thessalon	No. 536—Algonquin	Copper Cliff
No. 447—Sturgeon Falls	St'rg'n Falls	No. 588—National	Capreol
No. 455—Doric	Little Current		

MUSKOKA DISTRICT No. 19 (8 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Arthur M. Church, Sundridge

No. 352—Granite	Parry Sound	No. 423—Strong	Sundridge
No. 360—Muskoka	Braacebridge	No. 434—Algonquin	Emsdale
No. 376—Unity	Huntsville	No. 443—Powassan	Powassan
No. 409—Golden Rule	Gravenhurst	No. 454—Corona	Burk's Falls

VICTORIA DISTRICT No. 20 (16 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Robt. W. Groves, Lindsay

No. 77—Faithful Brethren	Lindsay	No. 408—Murray	Beaverton
No. 101—Corinthian	Peterborough	No. 440—Arcadia	Minden
No. 155—Peterborough	Peterborough	No. 451—Somerville	Kinmount
No. 268—Verulam	Bobeaygeon	No. 463—North Entrance	Haliburton
No. 313—Clement	Lakefield	No. 477—Harding	Woodville
No. 375—Lorne	Omemece	No. 498—King George V	Coboconk
No. 398—Victoria	Kirkfield	No. 523—Royal Arthur	Peterborough
No. 406—Spry	Penelon Falls	No. 608—Gothic	Lindsay

EASTERN DISTRICT No. 21 (18 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Arch. D. McRae, Vankleek Hill

No. 21a—St. John's	Vankleek Hill	No. 418—Maxville	Maxville
No. 125—Cornwall	Cornwall	No. 439—Alexandria	Alexandria
No. 142—Excelsior	Morrisburg	No. 450—Hawkesbury	Hawkesbury
No. 143—Friendly Brothers	Iroquois	No. 452—Avonmore	Avonmore
No. 186—Plantagenet	Riceville	No. 458—Wales	Wales
No. 207—Lancaster	Lancaster	No. 480—Williamsburg	Williamsburg
No. 256—Farran's Point	Aultsville	No. 491—Cardinal	Cardinal
No. 320—Chesterville	Chesterville	No. 557—Finch	Finch
No. 353—Henderson	Winchester	No. 596—Martintown	Martintown

TEMISKAMING DISTRICT No. 22 (9 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Frank K. Ebbill, Iroquois Falls

No. 462—Temiskaming	New Liskeard	No. 528—Golden Beaver	Timmins
No. 485—Haileybury	Haileybury	No. 530—Cochrane	Cochrane
No. 486—Silver	Cobalt	No. 531—Englehart	Englehart
No. 506—Porcupine	Porcupine	No. 540—Abitibi	Iroquois Falls
No. 507—Elk Lake	Elk Lake		

BRANT DISTRICT No. 23 (14 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Geo. Ryerson, Brantford

No. 35—St. John's	Cayuga	No. 243—St. George	St. George
No. 45—Brant	Brantford	No. 319—Hiram	Hagersville
No. 82—St. John's	Paris	No. 329—King Solomon	Jarvis
No. 106—Burford	Burford	No. 505—Lynden	Lynden
No. 113—Wilson	Waterford	No. 508—Ozias	Brantford
No. 121—Doric	Brantford	No. 515—Reba	Brantford
No. 193—Scotland	Scotland	No. 519—Onondaga	Onondaga

BRUCE DISTRICT No. 24 (12 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Jas. E. Campbell, Hepworth

No. 131—St. Lawrence	Southampton	No. 393—Forrest	Chesley
No. 197—Saugeen	Walkerton	No. 396—Cedar	Warton
No. 235—Aldworth	Paisley	No. 429—Port Elgin	Pt. Elgin
No. 262—Harriston	Harriston	No. 431—Moravian	Cargill
No. 315—Clifford	Clifford	No. 432—Hanover	Hanover
No. 362—Maple Leaf	Tara	No. 436—Burns	Hepworth

GREY DISTRICT No. 25 (12 Lodges)

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. John D. Leitch, Erin.

No. 88—St. George's	Owen Sound	No. 333—Prince Arthur	Flesherton
No. 200—St. Alban's	Mount Forest	No. 334—Prince Arthur	Arthur
No. 216—Harris	Orangeville	No. 377—Lorne	Shelburne
No. 271—Wellington	Erin	No. 421—Scott	Grand Valley
No. 306—Durham	Durham	No. 449—Dundalk	Dundalk
No. 322—North Star	Owen Sound	No. 490—Hiram	Markdale

RECAPITULATION

No. 1—Erie District	21 Lodges
No. 1a—Erie District	19 Lodges
No. 2—St. Clair District	22 Lodges
No. 3—London District	23 Lodges
No. 4—South Huron District	20 Lodges
No. 5—North Huron District	10 Lodges
No. 6—Wilson District	19 Lodges
No. 7—Wellington District	18 Lodges
No. 8—Hamilton District	30 Lodges
No. 9—Georgian District	19 Lodges
No. 10—Niagara District	21 Lodges
No. 11—Toronto West District	35 Lodges
No. 11a—Toronto East District	26 Lodges
No. 11b—Toronto Centre District	32 Lodges
No. 12—Ontario District	17 Lodges
No. 13—Prince Edward District	17 Lodges
No. 14—Frontenac District	18 Lodges
No. 15—St. Lawrence District	17 Lodges
No. 16—Ottawa District	28 Lodges
No. 17—Algoma District	13 Lodges
No. 18—Nipissing District	13 Lodges
No. 19—Muskoka District	8 Lodges
No. 20—Victoria District	16 Lodges
No. 21—Eastern District	18 Lodges
No. 22—Temiskaming District	9 Lodges
No. 23—Brant District	14 Lodges
No. 24—Bruce District	12 Lodges
No. 25—Grey District	12 Lodges

SUSPENSIONS

2—O. H. Miner, J. Harris, J. Richards, W. G. Hamilton. 3—C. H. Hopkins, G. B. Emery. 5—M. F. D. Graham, F. L. Neely, W. Cross, W. A. Faulkner, 10—W. J. Rutherford. 16—W. L. Dimnick. 18—G. E. Boulter, J. M. Cole, W. T. Scott. 20—C. K. Edwards, N. S. B. Gras, J. D. Grant, J. C. Gunn, M. G. Hueston, G. H. Haney, F. Hueston, T. Knowles, R. G. Wilson, J. W. Wright, W. M. Young. 21a—J. M. McCuaig, K. D. McLeod, F. B. Bowden, M. Metcalfe, E. G. White-side, F. H. Stephenson. 22—W. C. McFarland, J. A. Patton, H. V. Holden, F. D. Parmenter, G. M. Vandervoort, P. E. Westwood, S. I. Dunn, A. Rose, H. Rose, E. D. Byam, A. W. Coulter, E. S. Evans, D. P. German, D. T. Booth. 24—A. Howie. 30—F. H. Wehrley. 31—W. A. Carter, T. D. Currie, E. D. Chaffey, H. W. Cooper, B. T. Dickson, G. T. Johnston, M. G. Marks, A. W. Morris, H. B. Neal, K. C. Whyte. 32—R. O. Walters, R. H. Jones. 34—E. J. Haynes, S. F. Graham, R. S. Heath, L. Mathews, F. S. Tyler. 38—H. G. Murdoff, C. Adams. 40—C. J. E. Baby, H. G. Lawrence, F. Meek. 41—W. H. Holwanay, W. A. Reap-er. 44—L. S. Fairbairn, E. A. Mannell, G. C. McConechy. 45—E. P. Worth-ington, E. G. Bristol, J. Batty, G. I. Bray, H. A. Pettit, E. H. Kite. 48—R. W. Rayner. 55—J. H. Tood, J. L. Newman, W. J. Weir. 58—H. J. Cussans, A. E. Parker. 61—J. W. Nairn, S. T. Tribute. 62—W. Saywright, W. N. Saywright, C. H. Turnbull, W. J. Beattie. 63—E. Merkel, E. J. Withey. 65—A. E. Staney, W. Thompson, L. A. Till. 68—P. Booth. 69—W. R. Howson. 73—D. Bonis, F. McCallum, W. E. Andison, M. L. Chiverton, E. Demsey, T. A. Fairless, J. M. Graburn, J. Gunston, M. E. Hall, J. G. Murray, A. E. Sheldon, E. Willard. 74—E. J. Edwards. 75—W. R. Clark, H. E. Cooper, R. F. Punnett, W. R. Pennock, W. Logan. 76—S. Elstone, H. G. Hall, G. W. Hastings, W. C. Hicks, E. Lord, C. G. Miner, W. H. Pierce, C. W. Skinner, E. A. Trotter, C. B. Vincent. 78—T. M. Sitts. 79—R. Kneeshaw, J. Benrose, B. B. Collings, G. B. Stewart, R. Hill. 81—R. Wootton, F. Bateman, G. Cairnes, W. F. Brown, A. H. Gamble, C. Phillips, F. K. Burch. 84—W. Colwell, J. Middleton. 85—C. E. McLean, W. E. Smythe, 87—J. C. Clarke, A. W. Milne, A. Oliver. 88—H. Bishop. 91—H. W. McQuoid, A. C. Simmonds, S. D. Dudley, J. H. Towe, R. G. Terry, E. Grass. 93—R. J. Hillock. 94—W. C. Garthwaite, L. T. Sanderson. 97—M. E. Doane, F. Milne, S. D. Terry, S. Bond, T. E. Rigler. 98—W. G. Beamish, S. H. Cameron, J. P. Austin, L. C. Harper. 103—A. C. Camp, A. E. Hume, E. D. Lowery, A. Spalding, C. H. MacKenzie, H. M. Goodman, L. Richardson. 104—H. C. Hamner, D. C. Beattie, S. Peer. 105—N. B. Kaler, H. H. Wilson. 106—E. Lockyear, G. Allan, H. Smith, W. Jull, J. A. Secord, W. Milmine, R. J. Forneri, D. Henderson, W. H. Crawford, C. Pratt, J. Russell, C. Jull, A. Kneale, A. White, S. Wallace, E. W. Howey. 107—J. Sharman, F. R. Shore, J. H. Meriam, A. Campbell. 114—J. W. Rutter, T. W. Grover, A. E. Long, J. R. Wilson. 118—C. E. Metcalfe, H. R. Butt. 120—C. H. Hall, G. C. McConechy. 121—A. E. Edwards, M. E. 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 H. Preston. 316—F. C. Baker, A. Edwards, R. A. C. Olle, R. H. Greer, J. Sar-
 geson. 318—J. Allen. 319—R. J. Andrews, E. R. Holmes, G. E. Morrow, W. E.
 McEwen. 324—W. J. F. Gordon, J. S. Gordon, H. J. Campbell, P. W. Milligan,
 J. P. Creen. 329—J. Jacques. 330—W. P. Murphy, E. Adams. 332—E. G.
 Cross, R. P. Chadsey. 333—J. Ashdown. 339—J. J. Cracknell, J. W. Corson,
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 J. Beach, G. O. Cave, F. A. Haig. 343—W. R. Leaden, E. A. Wells, S. A. Ellis,
 J. P. Cookson, J. R. Haddow. 346—J. G. B. Douglass, F. T. Einson, F. Kaufman,
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 Thornton, P. C. Young, F. Woodman, W. T. Schell, A. Bacher, H. Tambling, A. J.
 McLatchy, W. Roberts. 347—M. Wilson. 354—W. K. Brandon, J. Stiles
 357—A. Slater, S. J. Rasterry, G. Wallis, E. Wise. 358—J. H. B. McDonald,
 W. A. Cudney, J. G. Aitkin, J. Steinoff, H. Elvinage, J. A. Scott. 359—G. W.
 Elliott. 360—W. H. Bradshaw, C. J. Jermyn. 361—A. L. Knowles, C. W.
 Robinson, G. A. Scroggie, R. D. Allan. 362—J. E. Henry, W. H. Thompson.
 364—A. E. Fisher. 367—J. H. Godfrey, T. W. Lewis, T. P. Merritt, S. C. Moore,
 J. H. Oliviant, A. T. Smith, W. Bowler. 371—W. I. Storey, L. S. Moore, J. K.
 Rose. 376—J. R. Broley, M. C. McCaw, H. W. Scott. 378—J. S. Barrett, A. C.
 Craig. 380—F. J. C. Fitzgerald, W. T. Clarke, W. H. Kerr, J. Penwarden. 382—
 A. F. Hallett, H. Williamson, A. E. Smith, H. G. Clayson, T. P. Ireland. 384—
 S. W. McKinley, J. Brown, J. A. Barker, W. H. Pooler. 393—G. Griffin, J. A. Hilts,
 A. H. Elliott. 395—A. B. Ainslie, C. J. Hedrick. 402—J. H. Francis, R. Williams
 T. J. Stillman. 403—T. Capell, H. H. Howe, F. L. Lodge, G. H. McPhail, P.
 Taylor. 404—G. C. Coxall, W. S. Wagar, A. D. Leonard. 405—J. Wallace,
 E. O. Taylor, R. M. Millar, G. S. Harkness. 410—W. H. Wilson, J. C. Bradley,
 T. M. Humble, G. Hogg, G. Henderson, I. W. Booth. 411—F. H. Wilson. 412—
 W. D. Dyer, C. F. Horsey, J. W. Hunt, J. S. Srigley. 413—W. A. Atkinson, A. F.
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 Mamly, H. H. McCoukey, A. McKenzie, K. Rimstead, R. A. Stewart, W. Simpson,
 T. B. Thompson. 415—R. McManus, G. Toombs, C. Robertson, W. J. Rudd,
 W. Charles, J. A. Kellough, W. D. Muirhead, G. L. Morrow. 419—J. L. McWat-
 ters. 420—J. W. DeBow, H. Gibson, G. W. Gatacre. 421—J. Hinton, F. A.
 Beard. 425—J. Jefferson, W. J. Hicks. 426—A. E. Melnish. 427—W. S.
 Woodward, H. A. Waern. 431—F. Watson, G. E. Pinkerton. 432—J. A. Mc-
 Donald, E. Jasper, R. T. Bell. 434—A. Ardel, W. B. Clearwater, S. A. Sine.
 435—J. W. Connor, W. Patterson, W. J. Miller, R. Wood. 436—W. H. Lawton
 A. D. Cameron. 437—W. R. Southern, S. Brown. 438—W. A. Brethour, J. A.
 Domele, R. Porter, J. S. Whaley, H. G. Mallard, A. Turner. 439—J. A. McLeod,
 W. R. Bannerman, W. B. Conroy, J. E. Devine, S. Gray. 443—R. J. Thompson.
 444—W. Simmons, C. E. McNall. 445—T. D. Henderson, H. R. Phipps, J. R.
 Taylor, A. W. Mitchell. 446—N. McRitchie, R. Saunders, J. A. Osborne, W.
 Bishop. 447—E. C. Caverley, W. C. Eaton, C. S. Stoddart, E. F. McGregor.
 449—J. D. McDowell, J. R. McIntyre, F. Martin, J. L. Moore, H. G. Horton, G.
 W. Rose, W. Olden, J. Traynor. 450—A. W. Cochrane. 455—T. H. Benton,
 N. Trotter, W. J. Davidson. 457—J. H. Wherl. 462—W. J. Tyndall, J. G. Yates,
 J. C. Taylor, J. A. Stewart, J. Reid, J. M. Arthurs, M. S. Beach, J. S. Bird, W. J.
 H. Black, S. V. Coleman, J. A. Diggle, W. J. Elliott, I. J. Grills, R. R. Holland,
 A. T. Hill, J. A. Herman, G. B. Hull, W. Jones, F. T. Kelly, J. C. Kennedy, A. H.
 Marchand, E. F. Nicholson, C. Plant. 465—W. Groves, L. B. Lett, W. H.
 Green, W. Bunting. 470—W. S. Redmond, H. L. Gardiner, S. H. Edwards.
 472—S. G. Flanagan. 475—N. H. Lamont, G. F. Jones, G. G. McEwen, R. C.
 Phillips. 477—W. A. Graham. 480—E. P. Foster, I. Steen, A. Adams, F. Milli-
 gan. 481—H. J. White, W. J. Sutherland. 485—J. W. Lynd, W. A. Lang, R.
 Simms. R. E. Noble, F. N. Hughes. 486—H. Whittingham, J. A. C. McNabb,
 W. E. T. Barton, Jr., C. H. Heimer, D. J. McNaughton, E. Richards, J. B. Board-
 man, J. Sargeson, H. Skillicorn, H. P. Bellingham, L. J. Groch. 487—G. C. Marks.
 492—W. A. Carley. 494—T. G. Hamilton, J. B. Glesesk, J. S. Ross, F. R. Hold-
 worth, M. Allingham, J. F. Gallagher, W. Murdock, E. Anning, V. C. Knowles,
 499—M. Isbester, W. H. Taylor, T. E. R. Wilson, B. Love, A. Sharp, J. H. Boyd,
 H. N. Hall, R. L. Mooney, W. R. Fulford, D. C. Kemp. 506—R. Simms. 510—
 C. G. Smith. 514—W. J. Neill, J. R. Lane, J. F. Wandless, D. Corral, E. Mc-
 Dougall, O. Stevens, O. L. Keely, W. J. McCallum. 520—C. G. Chappin, W. R.
 Ainsworth. 521—J. O. Smith, W. S. Morton. 522—A. Scott, C. Spitzel, M.
 Spitzel. 527—H. Edwards, I. J. Polden. 528—F. Lamb, (Unmasonic Conduct),
 530—W. E. Buchan, J. R. Bythell. 531—C. W. Gigg, T. M. Costigan, J. B. B.
 Gingswall, L. R. Hill, A. D. Watts, G. A. Learn, C. E. Gibson, A. Beaton, A. W.
 Jnes, G. C. W. Dingwall, S. G. Hoffman, F. W. Marks. 532—G. H. Arm trong,
 H. T. Moon. 534—J. C. Kennedy, J. MacDonald, J. A. Coles, B. F. Bolton, H.
 Douglas, G. S. McDonald. 538—T. B. Corbett, C. J. Ney. 540—S. D. Briden.
 541—F. W. Marr, A. H. Richardson, H. Cunningham, W. M. Armstrong. 545—
 F. J. Rodgers. 564—J. Carcoux, C. E. Latham.

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40—J. E. Hardy, 52—G. J. Artz, 373—D. Jones, 516—W. G. Fisher
A. Gerald, Jas. Bennie, E. Beauprie.

EXPULSIONS

6—Wm. J. Griffith, 410—B. Brodziak.

DEATHS, 1921

2—W. Black, May 24; J. Ellison, June 3; G. Goodall, July 2; G. Spademan, Aug. 4; 3—W. A. Dewey, Jan 14; J. Parsons, Aug. 23; D. Spence, Nov. 23, R. M. Lewis, July 9; 5—J. Vance, Jan. 16; R. S. Throop, Feb. 17; W. H. Coleman, May 14; T. H. Parsley, Dec. 7; 6—J. A. Stewart, Feb. 23; C. Cumming, Mar. 7; G. Woolgar, Mar. 31; H. S. Griffin, Hune 28; G. Stewart, July 19; J. V. Cook, July 16; D. Fitzgerald, Aug. 21; W. Sparling, Nov. 21; 7—E. M. Mitchell June 11; S. A. Bonham, Dec. 14; 9—R. A. Beard, Aug. 28; J. M. Wallace, Nov. 1; C. A. Anderson, Dec. 10; 10—D. B. McCool, May 7; A. B. Stennett, July 5; T. R. Atkinson, Nov. 11; 11—A. F. Blakely, Feb. 3; R. F. Greatrix, Feb. 27; C. J. Bowell, May 6; A. Stewart, Oct. 30; G. Walton, Nov. 18; 14—P. Griffin, Feb. 1; D. Ferguson, Sept. 25; 15—G. Paradise, Sept. 1; W. M. Shaw, Oct. 31; W. B. Burgayne, Dec. 31; 16—W. J. Gage, Jan. 11; J. R. McCaffrey, June 12; C. H. Bell, April 30; Sam Hughes, Aug. 24; W. H. Fiske, Sept. 28; J. Price, Dec. 7; C. J. F. Collier, Dec. 19; 17—A. D. Throop, June 8; 18—W. J. Foster, Jan. 18; W. J. McCornock Feb. 16; 20—J. J. Harding, Jan. 6; J. B. Jennings, Feb. 1; W. Wyatt, July 6; D. C. Hannah, Oct. 3; H. Wallace, Nov. 3; C. E. Lenhart, Nov. 20; 22—W. J. Kendall, Feb. 20; J. Kitchener, Feb. 25; B. Dilworth, May 16; F. Carnall, May 27; W. Anderson, July 24; G. W. Liddle, Sept. 22; J. J. Kilby, Oct. 11; 23—W. F. Carter, Nov. 21; 24—A. Padget, June 12; W. H. Burgess, Apr. 13; A. R. Rutherford, Nov. 24; 25—J. H. Paterson, Feb. 4; H. G. Murray, Missing 1919, T. Millman, Nov. 15; E. Bell, Dec. 6; 26—W. T. Clarke, Mar. 23; 27—C. A. Herald, Feb. 14; J. C. McKeever, Mar. 28; W. E. LaChance, Mar. 6; F. Claringbowl, May 5; F. W. Hutty, June 10; W. Mulveny, Oct. 27; S. Furniss, Nov. 1; E. Schwartz, Nov. 24; R. G. Sutherland, Nov. 27; 29—K. R. Maitland, Dec. 29; 30—W. Calverly, May 13; J. White, May 25; F. Bryan, July 7; 31—W. Wright, Jan. 30; W. C. King, May 9; J. Deyman, May 14; W. J. Virtue, June 25; W. E. Tilley, Dec. 11; 32—T. S. Burwell, June 8; F. E. Furry, May 25; 33—W. G. Orme, Jan. 29; A. Lawson, Jan. 31; D. B. MacKay, Feb. 8; J. P. Brown, May 16; A. M. Shephard, Dec. 26; 34—I. H. Deaika, Mar. 30; G. T. Florey, Feb. 14; T. J. Harris, Feb. 27; J. Ridsall, Feb.; A. Bowerman, Nov. 2; 35—J. Vallie, Mar. 19; P. McMahon, July 14; 37—J. Stalker, Jan. 29; R. A. Sutherland, Jan. 15; P. F. Mayberry, Dec. 14; 38—J. C. Adam, May 31; 39—J. Lawrence, May 3; F. Richardson, Mar. 5; J. Shand, Oct. 14; 40—W. H. Richardson, Jan. 14; T. Marshall, Mar. 30; O. S. Mitchell, Apr. 5; W. J. McAllister, Apr. 27; A. R. Grant, July 2; R. McMannus, Sr., Nov. 3; S. T. Mummery, Dec. 9; J. E. Weber, Dec. 15; W. F. Miller, Dec. 15; W. T. McDougall, Dec. 19; 43—B. W. Johnston, Jan. 21; W. Smith, June 22; W. A. Manson, July 3; G. Utting, Dec. 19; 44—G. R. Lindley, Mar. 18; J. R. Lancaster, Apr. 17; J. Forbes, May 12; W. H. Him, July 19; 45—F. G. Scace, Apr. 21; J. Colter, May 6; G. Pickles, June 28; E. H. Keffer, Sept. 8; 46—J. Glassford, Mar. 31; J. Piggott, Apr. 22; S. Holmes, May 28; J. R. Thompson, June 15; J. M. McCaig, Sept. 14; W. A. Stevens, Oct.; J. McDougall, Dec. 5; P. O. Dawson, Dec. 16; 47—J. M. Smith, May 4; J. S. Austin, Aug. 6; J. W. Heseltine, Aug. 13; H. L. Innes, Aug. 15; 48—J. Stout, May 23; A. Moon, Dec. 6; J. Wiggins, Aug. 27; 52—T. A. Proudfoot, Mar. 22; J. Carleton, Dec. 29; 1920; W. J. Corby, Dec. 27; A. Fleck, Sept. 22; R. Ronan, July 16; J. F. Little, Sept. 3; 55—C. H. Putman, May 8; J. B. Arnold, May 14; H. M. Johnston, July 5; 56—W. A. Glass, Feb. 21; G. S. Samis, Oct. 25; H. F. Kinsman, Nov. 9; A. H. Hall, Dec. 11; 57—L. M. Parker, Oct. 21; 1918; J. Wilson, Sept. 23; J. F. Senn, Nov. 28; 58—C. Scrim, Feb. 9; R. J. Burley, Apr. 14; 61—G. LeRiche, July 7; R. VanStone, Dec. 29, 1920; E. A. Ryckman, Nov. 3; 62—R. L. Nelles, Dec. 27; 63—I. P. Steele, Jan. 26; K. Kettle, Feb. 12; D. M. B. Galbraith, Mar. 29; 64—C. W. McGure, Jan. 10; F. Marshall, Nov. 27; 65—J. Thompson, Jan. 28; H. R. Frankland, May 8; W. T. Fell, July 8; F. Hamner, Aug. 8; H. Reburn, Nov. 26; 66—J. D. Rutledge (No Date). 68—J. Kerr, Apr. 9; 72—F. E. McDonald, June 10; C. Blake-
Apr. 18; J. J. Turnbull, Sept. 6; 74—G. A. Mansell, Jan. 5; A. P. Bissell, Mar. 27; J. Milks, (No date); 75—J. P. Snook, Jan. 28; E. O. Reid, June 15; G. E. Patter-
son, Aug. 7; W. Bourne, Oct. 21; G. Knight, Sept. 2; W. Villiers, Dec. 1; W. P. Butcher, Dec. 24; 76—W. W. Black, June 4; T. A. McClenaghan, June 21; J. Morrison, June 27; G. W. Vandecar, Oct. 11; C. H. Northeast, Dec. 8; 77—
E. C. Armstrong, Apr. 30; J. W. Wallace, May 7; Sam. Hughes, Aug. 24; L. R. Knight, July 18; J. C. Mark, July 20; R. J. Macafee, Aug. 22; 78—J. L. Cummings,
ings, 14 Jan.; J. Mantel, Feb. 1; A. Bremner, May 12; C. H. Everatt, Dec. 22;
82—J. W. Thomas, Mar. 11; 83—J. Bogue, May 21; M. H. Forsyth, Oct. 26;

W. H. Freele, Oct. 28; P. E. Ogg, Nov. 26; 84—J. McMurray, Aug. 30; 85—J. Mackie, Oct. 2; G. Rappell, Nov. 26; 86—W. J. C. Turner, Feb. 7; J. S. King, Feb. 14; L. Bentley, Aug. 15; 88—J. McLauchlan, Feb. 12; J. Pearson, June 20; 91—J. M. Peebles, Apr. 14; J. W. Philp, Jan. 1; C. Southan, Oct. 2; 92—J. D. Gray, May 14; J. Hunter, June 22; J. Hunter, Jr., Jan. 21; J. Dix, Dec. 12; J. Spence, Sept. 12; 93—J. McCrimmon, Feb. 11; K. W. McKenzie, Apr. 15; 94—R. Long, Sept. 3; 96—F. J. Lower, Sept. 28; J. T. Clark, Dec. 14; 97—J. Ough, Dec. 18; 98—W. J. Sutton, Oct. 14; 100—J. Law, July 5; D. A. McMillan, Dec. 16; W. F. Millar, Dec. 15; 101—E. J. Toker, June 25; 103—F. Weis, Mar. 4; J. C. Grobb, Mar. 19; W. A. Mittleberger, May 30; W. H. Wilson, June 20; W. J. Addy, July 5; J. A. Norris, Sept. 30; C. Elliott, Nov. 9; F. Cook, Dec. 15; 105—R. Anderson, June 17; F. Sumner, Aug. 8; H. R. Robinson, Aug. 14; 106—R. Shellington, June 6; 108—W. P. Paton, Dec. 27; 109—D. D. Garrison, May 15; 110—A. Scott, Mar. 29; L. H. Daniels, June 28; G. Scott, Aug. 23; 113—J. Anderson, July 7; H. E. Cantelo, Aug. 30; 114—C. R. Nixon, Mar. 27; 115—W. M. Gayman, Nov. 11; 116—J. B. Woodhall, Dec. 31, 1920; 118—N. Scott, July 11; 121—C. Bowery, Nov. 20; 122—A. E. Leach, Nov. 18; 123—C. Addison, Dec. 26, 1920; W. B. Robinson, Jan. 6; J. L. Simpson, Feb. 24; D. Poucher, Apr. 14; J. Canning, July 11; R. C. Clute, Aug. 31; J. R. Jessop, Nov. 22; W. Collins, Dec. 12, 1920; 125—J. R. Craig, June 13; G. Ross, June 22; A. McKay, Nov. 5; 127—A. Davidson, Apr. 22; O. Moran, Jan. 11; 128—A. W. Brum, Oct. 8; J. Bromley, Oct. 9; 131—A. B. McLeod, Dec. 29; 133—G. E. Crawley, Mar. 23; 135—E. McCann, July 12; 137—W. W. Stephen, Mar. 26; D. Ballard, Aug. 3; J. Berry, Dec. 24; 139—E. Mundy, Jan. 26; C. F. Farwell, Mar. 30; G. A. Woolard, Nov. 17; 140—E. L. Harris, Mar. 8; W. W. Rutherford, Apr. 4; W. Warnock, May 17; W. C. Talbot, Oct. 28; F. F. McEwen, Dec. 1; 141—J. E. Stacey, Aug. 12; 144—J. H. Roberts, Dec. 28, 1920; G. Hodgins, Feb. 14; W. M. O'Beirne, Feb. 18; H. J. Barker, Sept. 25; 145—J. S. Hadden, June 1; 146—T. Watt, June 10; 147—J. McLeod, May 22; T. Dean, Oct. 1; 148—A. Dorey, Apr. 11; R. Champness, Dec. 5; J. E. Rourke, Dec. 10; 149—J. Varey, Oct. 7; 151—J. H. Webb, Jan. 19; E. D. Daniels, Oct. 17; 153—J. G. Brown, Mar. 21; A. Brown, Dec. 6; 154—J. M. Foreman, Mar. 9; M. Thompson, May 2; 155—E. Soward, Jan. 31; T. J. Winship, Feb.; G. W. Green, July 5; J. I. Davidson, Dec. 20; 156—W. F. Hanning, June 22; W. J. Hansford, Aug. 11; C. Moseley, Nov. 26; F. S. Chiles, Dec. 5; 157—J. Shaw, July; 158—C. E. Wallen, Oct. 5; Q. Zimmer, Nov. 10; A. Johnston, Dec. 27; 161—J. Bailey, May 30; N. W. Massey, May 28; F. Adams, Feb. 16; 162—J. F. Mulvey, Apr. 24; W. G. Strong, May 26; 166—G. Rilett, Aug. 28; 168—W. Downey, June 9; J. Phelps, Dec. 12; 169—C. A. White, May 3; 170—A. Rankin, Apr. 26; J. A. Roberts, May 9; J. Berry, Dec. 24; 171—A. Widdifield, May 21; 172—W. D. Stewart, Aug. 27; A. Henderson, July 30; 174—C. B. Killmaster, Feb. 26; W. P. Ferris, May 4; W. H. Mekk, Sept. 29; 177—A. Ardley, Jan. 28; M. H. Ford, Mar. 1; G. E. Preston, Jan. 19; E. A. Ingram, Sept. 22; A. B. Ogilvie, Dec. 8; A. H. Smith, Dec. 27; 178—W. R. Henderson, Oct. 15; 180—W. Nicoll, Jan. 2; J. B. Hoover, July 11; J. Law, July 5; W. Clark, Aug. 21; A. B. Petrie, Sept. 23; 181—R. Timmons, Sept. 24; 184—J. C. Anderson, Jan. 30; 190—J. MacMillan, Feb. 5; 192—W. R. Thorne, Apr. 8; A. Stewart, Sept. 17; A. T. Reed, Dec. 24; 194—C. F. Perkins, Mar. 7; 195—W. A. Young, Jan.; J. L. Englehart, Apr.; C. B. Edwards, Nov. 25; H. R. Abbott, Dec. 20; 196—J. H. McKinnon, Aug. 30; 197—C. Petteplace, July 12; 200—L. Galbraith, Jan. 9; A. Robertson, Feb. 2; M. O. McGregor, Apr. 18; 201—D. Bain, May 2; S. McCammon, Sept. 23; J. Moulton, Dec. 11; 203—J. Johnston, Jan. 10; A. B. Petrie, Nov. 10; 207—G. McDonald, Jan. 27; 209—T. K. White, May 2; R. A. Tennant, Sept. 11; J. K. McIlquham, Sept. 29; 209a—T. W. Bailey, Jan. 30; J. K. Darch, Mar. 13; A. E. McCoubrey, May 23; R. C. Williamson, July 6; F. J. Donald, July 14; R. W. Earith, Aug. 15; A. Wolfe, Sept. 4; 215—A. F. Blakely, Feb. 3; J. Nightingale, Sept. 11; 216—J. McDonald, May 21; 218—J. Keirigan, July 6; R. Cuthbert, Aug. 11; F. Nugent, Sept. 8; H. J. Newcombe, Dec. 5; 219—W. N. Nixon, Apr. 22; F. A. Harley, Oct. 10; 220—L. Warner, Jan. 4; 221—J. Forrester, Mar. 23; R. G. Hoover, Feb. 3; S. H. Farr, June 22; 222—W. H. Leal, Oct. 2; 223—W. Baskin, Mar. 3; 224—W. D. Harvey, Aug. 22; 225—W. Bright, Mar. 7; G. E. Coghlin, Aug. 11; 229—R. Madden, Feb. 22; J. W. Main, Nov. 6; W. Hall, Dec. 18; E. T. Stock, Dec. 18; 230—J. Neill, Apr. 15; J. J. Guthrie, July 22; F. Parr, Aug. 31; A. B. Brunton, Aug. 25; 231—M. O. Klotz, Jan. 31; G. L. Brown, Aug. 25; 232—R. Jordon, Apr. 25; C. B. Clay, Dec. 17; 234—J. A. McAulan, Oct. 2; 236—W. H. Bingham, May 13; J. T. Corbett, Dec. 25; 238—A. McLachlin, Apr. 22; M. McLachlin, May 8; 239—J. Dwyer, Nov. 27; 242—F. E. Dowsley, Apr. 2; R. G. Eyre, Feb. 8; 243—W. German, Apr. 12; S. J. Patten, Aug. 6; 245—R. Pye, Apr. 4; 247—J. W. Campbell, Mar. 14; C. S. Mekk, Apr. 10; W. H. Best, Sept. 6; E. W. Wood, Nov. 10; G. D. Montgomery, Dec. 19; 249—J. C. Macdonald, Oct. 29; H. Macdonald, Dec. 5; 250—J. Douglas, July 12; 253—A. McCallum, Apr. 19; L. W. Sanders, Apr. 27; J. R. Laidlaw, Apr. 18; C. Rogers, July 15; W. G. Craig, Dec. 3; 254—D. P. Drewery, Apr. 11; O. A. Nells, June 8; H. J. Hawken, Aug. 26; R. F. Carter, Oct. 6;

257—C. Cummings, Mar. 7; J. Jamieson, Apr. 5; W. S. D'Arcy, May 2; J. D. Burns, July 19; 258—W. J. Kilgour, Feb. 24; E. McArthur, Mar. 10; F. K. Knowles, Oct. 16; M. McLean, No. date; 259—J. Hevenor, Aug. 16; 260—M. Yager, Apr. 4; W. M. Hutchcroft, May 3; J. R. Brown, May 21; W. Wilson, July 25; C. A. Farr, Sept. 20; H. B. Youell, Sept. 24; J. L. Judson, Oct. 26; 261—H. Ferguson, June 16; 262—E. H. Dewar, July 24; 263—H. Gage, Nov. 8; 264—F. W. Hill, Feb. 20; J. W. Graham, May 27; S. Ward, Aug. 1; 265—W. J. Brooke, Feb. 24; F. P. Robinson, Dec. 29; 267—N. Pritchard, Feb. 21; J. Glasfod, Mar. 30; F. C. Tinney, July 3; J. W. Steinhoff, July 22; J. Stevenson, Oct. 23; E. C. Gobyov, Nov. 25; 268—W. Kennedy, July 6; C. E. Stewart, Dec. 6; 269—P. McIntyre, May 30; T. McCallum, Mar. 18; 270—G. A. Henry, Feb. 16; R. W. Wotton, Sept. 13; R. McLaughlin, Nov. 23; W. H. Thomas, Nov. 29; 271—A. Royce, June 25; 272—N. Sharp, Oct. 9; 274—I. Brown, May 10; 276—J. Farquharson, May 9; 277—J. Irving, Mar. 3; M. Henry, Apr. 17; W. G. Sutton, May 28; 279—R. G. Scott, Jan. 7; A. Pabst, June 2; A. McAllister, Dec. 21; 282—D. A. McAlpine, Feb. 13; J. McRoberts, May 21; J. Stinson, Dec. 5; 283—D. Watkins, Feb. 24; H. A. Yeomans, Oct. 31; C. E. Davies, Nov. 9; 284—W. H. Cloakley, Jan. 23; J. W. Shaw, June 13; 285—H. Gilbert, Feb. 10; J. J. Harper, Mar. 10; R. Murphy, Mar. 28; J. E. Paddison, Apr. 26; G. Upton, May, 20; 287—T. James, Sept. 17; 289—T. Oliver, Mar. 16; 290—J. McLeod, Oct. 31; 292—R. Beamish, June 30; 294—A. M. Lott, Feb. 2; J. H. Kittermaster, Jan. 2; 295—T. Grieve, Jan. 22; J. Gordon, Nov. 15; 296—A. Dick, Feb. 18; N. Bulger, Jan. 25; W. G. Sutton, May 28; 299—W. T. Brown, June 19; 302—G. H. Scase, Apr. 9; W. H. Smith, Apr. 30; L. F. Thompson, May 21; F. S. Lewis, Oct. 2; 303—W. Moore, July 20; 305—E. Eagle, Apr. 7; J. Barker, Apr. 7; 306—A. Davidson, Sept. 26; J. Wright, Aug. 2; 307—J. Jackson, Sept. 17; 309—A. A. Young, July 2; 311—T. G. Wallace, Feb. 20; 312—J. F. Roebuck, Jan. 2; J. W. Steinhoff, June 22; 313—W. M. Graham, Jan. 16; 314—D. McCallum, Feb. 10; C. Paillips, Apr. 18; 316—W. A. Dicker, May 12; J. A. Mantle, Jan. 28; T. Hunter, Feb. 19; G. Orr, Mar. 19; C. H. Riggs, Mar. 22; J. E. Cook, Mar. 25; A. M. Browne, July 6; W. E. Dobson, Nov. 27; 319—J. Smythe, Dec. 14; 320—H. W. Moad, Aug. 20; 321—W. L. Mullin, Aug. 9; 322—W. J. Paterson, May 3; W. A. Archer, Nov. 26; T. Stephenson, Oct. 10; 323—J. B. Martyn, June 3; 324—R. R. Stewart, Mar. 4; W. A. Robinson, Aug. 31; G. Stewart, July 18; A. Bruce, Aug. 20; K. Bethune, July 12; J. Cameron, July 11; A. Cochrane, Nov. 5; T. S. Orr, Nov. 5; W. D. Bews, Dec. 18; 325—J. S. Robertson, Jan. 4; 326—W. J. Greeg, Jan. 5; J. Sargent, Jan. 31; W. A. Walker, 19 Apr.; F. W. Heath, Feb. 17; 1920, H. C. Fairman, July 31; T. W. Miller, Oct. 20; 327—J. G. Hutchison, Oct. 330—R. C. Evans, Jan. 18; J. Tomlinson, Sept. 22; A. Shambleau, Nov. 20; 332—J. Player, May 7; J. Sowerby, Mar. 13; I. Baker, Oct. 12; J. R. Darling, Sept. 27; 333—W. E. Richardson, Nov. 16; 334—G. Dodge, July 9; 336—S. E. Keyes, Jan. 2; W. Reddick, Mar. 19; A. N. Stimers, Sept. 2; J. Gosnell, Oct. 8; 337—A. Hamilton, May 6; 339—L. Brown, Dec. 3; A. J. Ingram, Dec. 12; A. S. Purdy, Oct. 11; S. P. Ward, Apr. 3; C. R. Young, Feb. 9; 341—K. McKenzie, Feb. 14; 343—H. T. White, May 2; W. N. Shaver, May 6; C. R. Palmer, Jan. 31; W. J. Sykes, Nov. 2; H. J. Cox, Dec. 23; A. E. Sterling, Nov. 23; F. Edwards, Nov. 3; J. A. MacDougall, July 11; 345—R. G. Fonger, Aug. 5, 346—J. Sevrin, Jan. 26; J. D. Irvine, Mar. 4; J. G. Dunn, Apr. 8; R. Charlton, Apr. 11; A. M. Browne, July 6; G. F. Burnett, Sept. 23; A. P. Waive, Oct. 7; 347—G. O'Reilly, Jan. 2; 348—J. Letherdale, Feb. 19; 352—J. P. Weeks, Apr. 28; W. A. Lambert, Nov. 14; 354—J. E. Jewell, April; W. Corner, Oct.; 356—E. G. Little, Jan. 7; 357—C. McMonies, Apr. 1; I. L. Case, Apr. 14; J. Nicholson, No date; J. E. Eager, Jan. 3; C. M. Jarvis, July 28; 358—A. Luce, Oct. 10; J. R. Hammond, Nov. 9; 359—J. W. Chadwick, Aug. 10; E. Hathway, Aug. 24; 360—W. Walker, June 2; 361—J. L. Fielding, Sept. 10; W. H. Jones, Sept. 29; 367—J. J. Main, Jan. 14; H. J. Smith, Dec. 29; 1920; H. Ford, Apr. 3; T. Sanford, Apr. 7; C. H. Cronc, Feb. 7; G. Daniel, May 28; T. H. Taylor, May; T. H. Hocking, June 28; J. B. Paine, June 29; W. Black, July 18; J. T. Taggart, Sept. 27; W. A. Spencer, Dec. 19; 368—T. Chapman, June 17; 369—I. A. Clark, Apr. 2; 370—H. A. Bowser, July 14; L. N. Phelps, Aug. 19; R. G. Harvey, Nov. 18; 371—E. D. Storey, Oct. 6; J. W. Thompson, Oct. 24; 372—J. A. Buck, May 17; A. McIntyre, Sept. 17; 375—J. W. Wallace, May 7; 377—F. Gabriel, Sept. 15; 378—J. Botterill, Mar. 11; J. Rice, May 14; I. B. Burtch, Feb. 10; J. E. Weber, Dec. 15; 380—G. Norton, May 1; W. Waeling, Oct. 11; T. Jones, Aug. 24; 382—J. Woods, Jan. 22; J. E. Howar, M. U. 31; T. Smith, May 8; G. Stewart, July 19; 383—W. Dockstader, Nov. 13; W. J. Fraser, Nov. 30; 384—R. B. Aylesworth, Apr. 22; A. Webster, killed in action; H. C. Scully, June 25; F. M. Watts, July 15; R. Mearns, July 27; W. Porteous, Aug. 18; J. Patterson, Aug. 18; N. McNeill, Nov. 10; J. Burns, Dec. 2; 385—L. D. Cherry, Jan. 28; 386—P. Stalker, Oct. 28; 387—T. A. Bradley, Jan. 16; 388—J. H. McRae, July 24; 391—B. W. Willson, Apr. 15; E. H. Betts, Apr. 19; A. Ferguson, June 25; 392—J. W. Symington, Apr. 9; 394—J. A. Calder, July 23; 396—S. J. Parke, May 5; 397—H. Windsor, Aug. 6; 400—R. Hannah, Feb. 22; A. McCleary, Apr. 23; T. W. Slean, Aug. 3; S. Davis, Oct. 10; F. Howarth, Dec. 24; 401—C. W. Jackson, May 23; 402—F. J. Keown, June 6; S. Smith, July 30; 403—J. R.

Donnelly, Dec. 28; 1929; A. T. Cairns, Jan. 19; A. E. Stanton, July 19; T. G. Ferris, Sept. 9; A. B. Hobson, Aug. 5; G. Cheyne, Nov. 16; S. Ellis, Nov. 26; A. F. Smith, Nov. 26; L. J. Wilder, Dec. 3; 405—J. A. Stewart, Aug. 21; 406—J. Walker, Jan. 13; J. Wallace, May 6; W. Kennedy, July 5; 409—E. E. Reynolds, Apr. 21; W. J. Stubbs, Mar. 25; 410—J. G. Cane, Feb. 6; H. A. Mashinter, Aug. 21; H. G. Weston, Oct. 19; 412—C. V. Campbell, May 6; 413—W. Lumley, May 13; A. A. Lang, Dec. 1; 414—E. Arkinson, Mar. 30; 415—W. Baker, Feb. 21; J. Kyle, Oct. 4; H. V. Hurdon, Nov. 2; 418—P. A. McNaughton, no date; J. Campbell, Oct. 1; 419—W. R. Lawrence, Oct. 29; 420—J. C. Cockerline, Jan. 12; W. H. Walbourne, June 24; J. T. Ostrom, June 29; G. W. Liddle, Sept. 22; 423—J. E. Gunn, Oct. 30; 424—J. A. Hills, Feb. 10; 425—I. A. Booth, Jan. 22; J. Burr, Jan. 17; W. W. Murphy, May 7; 426—J. M. Mains, Aug. 23; J. A. Tovell, Aug. 24; J. R. Bull, Oct. 9; 427—J. Burton, Apr. 7; 428—T. Manderson, Feb. 13; J. Carnegie, Oct. 4; 430—J. C. Cripps, Dec. 24; 431—E. H. Young, Aug. 11; 433—S. B. Swezey, Dec. 16; 435—H. Mark, Apr. 29; 437—C. S. Cameron, Aug. 26; J. Maitland, Dec. 6; R. W. Earith, Aug. 15; 438—W. W. Hudson, Jan. 3; J. E. Henry, Mar. 28; W. F. Frankish, Apr. 26; J. J. Darby, Aug. 10; H. H. Unsworth, Sept. 30; 439—N. Gilbeart, Oct. 30; D. D. Campbell, Nov. 6; 440—J. S. Hill, Apr. 2; C. S. Brownlee, Dec. 11; 441—W. Hutchings, Jan. 7; 447—H. Regan, Aug. 27; 448—E. Hanson, Jan. 13; 453—J. Tonkin, Dec. 25; 455—J. R. Troup, Feb. 28; J. M. Stewart, Dec. 10; 457—E. W. Neal, Jan. 19; 460—J. Tolen, Mar. 24; H. F. Randall, Nov. 24; 461—T. Davis, Feb. 8; F. Dixon, Mar. 28; P. W. Miller, June 28; 462—J. D. McNaughton, Apr. 19; J. E. Murphy, Nov. 13; 463—W. Giles, June 18; 466—D. G. Christie, Aug. 5; 568—W. T. Borland, Jan. 26; W. J. Matthews, Oct. 13; 469—C. F. Farewell, Apr. 2; 470—W. B. Elder, Oct. 8; 471—R. Beamish, June 30; T. Murray, July 28; 474—L. Scruton, Aug. 1; W. T. Robins, Dec. 11; F. H. Barber, Oct. 31; 475—P. Hastings, Jan. 13; J. W. Jones, Jan. 30; T. S. Jackson, Aug.; F. Roblin, Dec. 477—J. V. Staples, Oct. 22; 480—A. G. Beckstead, Aug. 9; 481—W. Warne, Oct. 27; 482—E. J. Brinklow, May 1; J. A. Detlor, Apr. 17; W. Moore, Apr. 19; J. C. Young, June 14; 484—J. H. Nelson, Aug. 7; G. Anderson, Aug. 22; 485—J. N. White, Aug. 7; D. R. Ferguson, Nov. 6; 486—R. D. Devlin, May 28; T. C. McLaren, Aug. 19; A. A. McDonald, Nov. 15; 487—N. T. Graham, Dec. 8; A. D. Spears, Sept. 488—T. R. Flood, July; 489—M. L. McBain, Apr. 25; G. F. McKinnell, July 14; 493—F. B. Richardson, Nov. 11; 494—H. Worthing, Mar. 8; D. A. Johnson, Jan. 29; A. J. Fraleigh, Nov. 26; 495—A. Leslie, June 3; 496—K. A. McKenzie, Mar. 16; E. W. Wood, Nov. 10; M. B. Talling, Dec. 13; F. J. Munn, Sept. 11; H. D. Harrison, Aug. 29; H. C. Fairman, July 31; 498—T. C. Birchard, Mar. 30; 499—F. C. McGonigle, Jan. 27; S. Hardy, Feb. 18; 500—J. C. Conibear, May 21; J. Bates, Jan. 15; 501—J. W. English, Mar. 3; 505—J. Dell, June 18; 507—507 W. H. Young, Jan. 20; 511—A. C. Elrick, Sept. 10; 513—W. Anderson, June 22; R. Crozier, Oct. 31; 514—S. G. Wright, Mar. 29; R. W. Hall, Dec. 9; 517—F. McCaffrey, Oct. 7; 518; E. P. Cameron, Mar. 16; 520—J. D. Morrow, Apr. 28; 521—H. Lounsbrough, Mar. 28; R. H. Blauvelt, June 8; G. C. Cheyne, Nov. 16; 522—H. C. Scully, June 25; W. Porteous, Aug. 17; 523—W. W. Coulthard, Dec. 24; 524—G. H. Death, Oct. 11; (Death is the Surname) 525—F. C. Harding, Jan. 6; T. Wells, Dec. 5; W. S. Howlett, Nov. 16; 526—T. Jamieson, Feb. 9; 528—M. A. Ellis, Feb. 21; 529—J. R. Hammond, Nov. 8; 531—R. Charlton, Apr. 11; W. J. Addy, July 4; J. M. Mains, Aug. 26; N. H. Bradley, Sept. 24; F. C. Smith, Jan. 9; 533—J. D. Morrow, Apr. 28; H. McMillan, Nov. 15; 534—F. D. Ramsay, July 26; S. L. Donaldson Dec. 12; 535—C. E. Plumb, Nov. 3; 537—E. W. Sullivan, Feb. 8; E. Wood, Nov. 10; W. Crawford, Dec. 23; 539—J. Knauff, May 22; 540—J. Pearce, July 15; 541—H. C. Scully, June 25; 533—W. Sautler, Mar. 23; 544—J. F. Senn, Nov. 28; 547—R. H. Avey, June 24; 548—W. T. Hunter, Feb. 18; 553—C. H. Cooper, Nov. 16; 557—J. J. McMillan, Mar. 23; 559—A. Otto, Sept. 9; 561—J. Cotter, Sept. 20; 565—H. McMillan, Nov. 15; 569—J. A. Calder, July 22; 576—W. A. Heron, Aug. 28; 577—J. T. Taggart, Sept. 27.

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R.W. Bro. W. G. Reid	Hamilton	R.W. Bro. Hubert H. Hubbard	Gallena	Albert K. WilsonTopeka
R.W. Bro. H. C. Tugwell	Toronto	R.W. Bro. N. B. Null	Ruston	Alex. M. WoodruffLouisville
R.W. Bro. J. B. Way	Sault Ste. Marie	R.W. Bro. W. J. Dorman	Belfast	John A. Davilla	New Orleans
M.W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope	Hamilton	W. Bro. John Hiltz	Baltimore	Charles B. Davis	Portland
R.W. Bro. Wm. N. Gadfield	Sandwich	M.W. Bro. John Rowson	Detroit	Geo. Cook	Baltimore
R.W. Bro. C. W. Haentschel	Haileybury	R.W. Bro. Herman Idd	New Ulm	Fred. W. Hamilton	Boston
R.W. Bro. F. M. Morson	Toronto	R.W. Bro. Harry T. Howard	Biloxi	Lon B. Winsor	Grand Rapids
R.W. Bro. Donald Sutherland	Princeston	W. Bro. R. C. Blackmer	St. Louis	John Fishel	St. Paul
R.W. Bro. George Naylor	Jagersoll	W. Bro. Jos. A. Hyde	Deer Lodge	Edward L. Faucette	Meridian
R.W. Bro. Hy. T. Smith	Toronto	R.W. Bro. John R. Webster	Omaha	Frank R. Jesse	St. Louis
V.W. Bro. W. R. Ledger	Toronto	R.W. Bro. Frank Bell	Reno	Cornelius Hedges	Helena
V.W. Bro. J. A. Cowan	Toronto	R.W. Bro. Ira A. Chase	Bristol	Francis E. White	Onaha
R.W. Bro. Wm. H. Day	Queph	R.W. Bro. Ernest A. Reed	Newark	E. D. Vanderleith	Carson City
R.W. Bro. Wm. Rea	Toronto	R.W. Bro. S. B. Newcomb	Las Cruces	Harry M. Cheney	Concord
R.W. Bro. A. T. Freed	Hamilton	W. Bro. H. M. Podcat	Buffalo	Isaac Cherry	Trenton
R.W. Bro. John Hoodless	Hamilton	M.W. Bro. Thomas Penny	Wake Forest	A. A. Keen	Albuquerque
R.W. Bro. H. D. Leask	North Bay	W. Bro. Alex. B. Taylor	Fargo	Robt. J. Kenworthy	New York
R.W. Bro. Geo. Moore	Hamilton	R.W. Bro. Frank S. Harmon	Cleveland	Walter L. Stockwell	Fargo
R.W. Bro. J. G. Liddell	Brantford	R.W. Bro. A. E. Monroey	Oklahoma City	J. H. Bromwell	Cincinnati
V.W. Bro. K. J. Dunstan	Toronto	R.W. Bro. Donald MacKay	Portland	W. M. Anderson	Guthrie
R.W. Bro. J. F. Reid	Windsor	W. Bro. Clarence P. BearseE. Providence	D. R. Cheney	Portland
R.W. Bro. J. C. Bartram	Ottawa	R.W. Bro. Arden A. Lemon	Barnwell	John A. Perry	Philadelphia
R.W. Bro. J. A. Rowland	Toronto	W. Bro. Wm. E. Milligan	Aberdeen	S. P. Williams	Providence
				O. Frank Hart	Columbia
				Geo. A. Pettigrew	Stoux Falls

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES AND GRAND SECRETARIES-----Continued

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES			GRAND SECRETARIES	
At Grand Lodge of Canada	Jurisdiction	From Grand Lodge of Canada	Name	Address
R.W. Bro. A. J. Anderson	Toronto	R. W. Bro. Samuel Slager	Stith M. Cain	Nashville
R.W. Bro. Wm. N. Ponton	Belleville	W. Bro. Elmer Kenfro	W. B. Pearson	Waco
R.W. Bro. H. P. Stoneman	Ingersoll	R.W. Bro. Alex. Toponce	S. H. Goodwin	Salt Lake City
R.W. Bro. W. H. Tudhope	Orillia	M.W. Bro. Geo. B. Wheeler	H. H. Ross	Burlington
R.W. Bro. T. H. Brunton	Newmarket	W. Bro. Wm. S. Pettit	Chas. A. Nesbitt	Richmond
R.W. Bro. W. C. Wilkinson	Toronto	W. Bro. Walter F. Meier	Horace W. Tyler	Tacoma
M.W. Bro. I. E. Harding, K.C.	Lindsay	R.W. Bro. W. H. Freeman	John M. Collins	Charleston
R.W. Bro. Henry Rush	Peterborough	M.W. Bro. Hiram W. Sawyer	W. W. Perry	Milwaukee
			J. M. Lowndes	Casper
R.W. Bro. A. E. Cooper	London	M.W. Bro. Honzeau de Lehaie	M. Rian Nedgrot	Rue du Persil, S. a Brussels
V.W. Bro. A. L. Malone	Toronto	Bro. J. Ramsay	S. Ateodato Garcia Valenzuela	Casilla 2867, Santiago
R.W. Bro. F. Davey Diamond	Belleville	Bro. Wm. E. Inksetter	Jose Fabio Garner	Havana
R.W. Bro. George Tait	Toronto	Jose L. Vidaurrcta	Carlos G. Charles	Athens
			S. Stevenson	Budapest
R.W. Bro. G. G. Rowe, M.D.	Toronto	Bro. Ettore Ferrari	Dr. Alex. Fraenkel	Rome
R.W. Bro. R. Radcliffe	Goderich	Bro. A. J. DeGraaf, JanLnykenstract	Carlo Berlanda	The Hague
R.W. Bro. W. J. Drope	Grimsby	Bro. J. M. Samper Angiano	H. P. Nieuwenburg	Lima
R.W. Bro. Frederick Guest	St. Thomas	Bro. Eduardo Lavergue	Manuel J. Caceres	San Juan
		H. Glyde Gregory	Jose G. Torres	San Juan
		Bro. Joas C. D'Almeida	Leopold A. P. Gomez	Lisbon
		Bro. Charles Gerster	Dr. Ad. Streuli	
			14 Moussonstrasse	Zurich
R.W. Bro. W. M. Ross	Ottawa	Bro. Belisario Conrado	Jose de la Hantz	Montevideo
R.W. Bro. S. S. Lazier	Belleville	Bro. Charles H. Magee	Newton C. Comfort	Manila
		Bro. Anton Bernhard Laurantzson	O. Muchmann	Hansen
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Appendix to Proceedings of 1922.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Edward B. Brown, P. D. D. G. M., Chairman.

To the President of the Board of General Purposes:—

The Committee on Fraternal Correspondence submits the following review of all proceedings of Grand Lodges which have reached the Committee up to the time when it is necessary to close the report:—

1. Alabama.	1920	25. Maine	1921
2. Alabama	1921	26. Manitoba	1921
3. Alberta	1921	27. Maryland	1920
4. Arizona	1920	28. Maryland	1921
5. Arkansas	1920	29. Massachusetts	1920
6. British Columbia	1921	30. Mexico	1920
7. California	1921	31. Michigan	1921
8. Colorado	1921	32. Minnesota	1921
9. Columbia (Dist. of)	1920	33. Minnesota	1922
10. Connecticut	1921	34. Mississippi	1921
11. Delaware	1921	35. Missouri	1921
12. Florida	1921	36. Montana	1920
13. Georgia	1920	37. Montana	1921
14. Georgia	1921	38. Nebraska	1921
15. Idaho	1921	39. Nevada	1921
16. Illinois	1921	40. New Brunswick	1920
17. Indiana	1921	41. New Brunswick	1921
18. Iowa	1921	42. New Hampshire	1921
19. Ireland	1920	43. New Jersey	1921
20. Kansas	1921	44. New Mexico	1921
21. Kansas	1922	45. New South Wales	1920
22. Kentucky	1920	46. New South Wales	1921
23. Louisiana	1921	47. New Zealand	1921
24. Louisiana	1922	48. North Carolina	1921

49. Nova Scotia.....	1921	63. Tasmania.....	1921
50. Ohio.....	1921	64. Tennessee.....	1921
51. Oklahoma.....	1921	65. Texas.....	1920
52. Oregon.....	1921	66. Utah.....	1921
53. Pennsylvania	1920	67. Vermont.....	1921
54. Philippine Islands	1921	68. Victoria.....	1920
55. Prince Ed. Isl'd....	1921	69. Virginia.....	1921
56. Quebec	1921	70. Washington.....	1920
57. Queensland	1921	71. Washington.....	1921
58. Rhode Island	1921	72. West Virginia.....	1920
59. Saskatchewan.....	1921	73. West Virginia.....	1921
60. South Australia.....	1921	74. Western Australia	1921
61. South Carolina.....	1921	75. Wisconsin.....	1921
62. South Dakota.....	1921	76. Wyoming.....	1921

ALABAMA.

A year ago the absence of Alabama from our report was deplored. In 1920 we noticed the proceedings of 1919, and now we have somewhat tardily those of 1920—to be more exact the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Alabama at the 100th Annual Communication, held in Montgomery on the 1st and 2nd December of that year. As the Grand Master in his address said, it is the good fortune of few institutions to celebrate their centennial anniversary, and so this Communication was a notable one. The Most Worshipful Grand Master, Percy Blackett Dixon, was born in 1862, in Alabama, but was educated in England, whither his parents went after the civil war. He returned to Alabama in 1882, and settled in Mobile, where he has since lived. His business is that of a “funeral director” or glorified undertaker, but he is not to be classed with Mr. Mould, Mr. Omer, and Mr. Sowerbery of whom Dickens delighted to tell. Brother Dixon was the originator of the law regulating embalming, and for 21 consecutive years was president of the State Board of Embalmers. He had also the honour in 1904 of being elected president of the National Funeral Directors’ Association of the United States. All this we are told in a short biography which accompanies his portrait. Perusing his lineaments, we can well believe his biographer’s statement that he is “a man of strong and dignified character, a zealous and earnest worker for Masonry,” and that he possesses “the respect and love of all the Craft who know him.” He is far advanced in all branches of Masonry, and at this meeting was elected to serve a second term as Grand Master.

From the address of this eminent ruler of the Craft we extract a few paragraphs:—

“The year just passed has been a most successful one, and we may congratulate ourselves that, notwithstanding the exciting times and the state of unrest through which our beloved country has passed, our reports show that we have had a most healthy growth, even exceeding the phenomenal net gain of last year, and that our membership has passed the 40,000 mark, an accomplished fact of which we may feel justly proud.”

"Here and there we sometimes find Lodges where the great truths and teachings of Freemasonry are through ignorance or prejudice distorted or perverted. It is cause for deep gratification, however, that the overwhelming proportion of our Lodges are composed of men who are trying to demonstrate not only within the Lodge but without the spirit and teachings of the true Freemasonry, and of this there can be no doubt."

"During the year many requests were made to approve maimed candidates for the degrees. After the Lodges had assured me in each case that they had voted unanimously to receive the petition subject to my approval, I approved the same, and permitted them to confer the degrees. In this connection I think it wise for the Grand Lodge to define the extent of loss of limb to be permitted; the custom will be abused unless it is somewhat restricted."

The Grand Master gave very full accounts of the careers of two distinguished Past Grand Masters who died in March, 1920, viz., John Hollis Bankhead and Hugh S. D. Mallory. Both had attained old age, and both were veterans of the civil war. Brother Bankhead was a United States Senator at the time of his death, and had been in the Senate for many years. He was the last Confederate soldier to occupy a seat in that august body. As long ago as 1883, he was elected Grand Master. Brother Mallory, who was Grand Master in 1908 and 1909, was an eminent lawyer, practising in Selma, Alabama.

In regard to the Alabama Masonic Home, the Grand Master reported that the erection of an additional building, to care for at least 40 inmates, and to cost about \$50,000, had been undertaken, and was nearing completion.

While commending the work of the Masonic Service Association, the Grand Master recommended the Grand Lodge of Alabama to withdraw from it until such time as our finances will permit us to assume this added obligation". The recommendation was approved by Grand Lodge.

To the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association the Grand Master recom-

mended the payment of \$1,000 in 5 annual instalments. This also was adopted.

The Grand Lodge of Alabama was organised on the 12th June, 1821.

The Grand Secretary's statistical summary showed 560 chartered Lodges and 5 under dispensation, with a total membership on the 15th September, 1920, of 2,692, and a net gain of 5,475 for the year.

Oliver Day Street, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, in a short report, said that the Committee had continued its correspondence with the Masonic Grand Bodies and leading Masons in Europe, Mexico, Central and South America, and had accumulated a great quantity of first-hand information; but in not a single instance was the information complete enough to justify the committee in recommending action of any sort. The Chairman suggested that the committee be authorised to make further inquiries at least till the next Annual Communication; and it was so ordered.

Brother Street's review of the proceedings of other Grand Lodges, his 5th annual epistle, covers 69 Jurisdictions and 73 volumes of proceedings. It is in every respect an excellent report. He is a learned controversialist, and under "Canada in Ontario, in 1919," breaks a lance with our distinguished predecessor in a discussion as to the beginning of Speculative Freemasonry. He quotes Brother Freed's remark "that an acknowledgment of the existence of a Supreme Being and a declaration of dependence upon him has always been in the English work," and says that if Brother Freed can prove this statement he will render a distinct service to the cause of Masonic history.

Among many weighty matters ably discussed in Brother Street's "Conclusion," we find a review of the proceedings of the Masonic Service Association at its first Triennial meeting, held at Cedar Rapids in November, 1919. The learned commentator says: "While there was much time wasted in talk, on the

whole the meeting acted wisely and conservatively. It was recognised that a great institution like that contemplated could not be built in a day and that several years might elapse before it was functioning smoothly." It seems to us not unlikely that, unless some great need for Masonic service should arise in the next few years, interest in the association will wane.

The interesting proceedings of Alabama in 1921 came to us after we had reviewed those of 1920, but in good time for review in 1922. The Annual Communication of 1921 was preceded by two meetings of great importance.

A Special Communication of the Grand Lodge of Alabama was held on the 26th October, 1921, in the Hall of Birmingham Fraternal Lodge No. 384 for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the new Masonic Temple being erected in Birmingham, Alabama. Past Grand Master Ben. M. Jacobs presided, in the absence of Grand Master Percy B. Dixon, and laid the corner-stone in due and ancient form, "assisted in the ceremonies and in laying the cement for the stone" by no less a personage than Brother Warren G. Harding, President of the United States of America. At the conclusion of the ceremonies, Brother Thomas E. Kilby, Governor of Alabama, introduced Brother Harding, who made a good Masonic speech, well-reported. We quote one paragraph:—

"I think there are some wrong impressions about the Masonic Order. I happened to come in contact with some of them in my official work. I know nothing about it, in a single note I ever heard sounded, that is not in consonance with the best thought and the best aspiration and the highest conception of American justice I have ever known from any quarter. I know I am a better citizen for being a better Mason. Sometimes—and there are moments of anxiety when one wonders what the morrow will bring forth—but I can say it publicly—I find myself heartened, my courage strengthened, and my hopes refreshed, because I know there is this great Fraternity which is ever ready to give of its all for the maintenance of law and order and of our Government."

The celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Grand Lodge of Alabama was held on the evening of

Tuesday the 6th December, 1921, just before the opening of Grand Lodge for its Annual Communication.

The Grand Lodge hall in Montgomery was crowded with several hundred Brethren and many ladies.

The meeting was called to order by M. W. Brother Lawrence H. Lee, Chairman of the Committee appointed by the Grand Master to prepare a programme for the occasion.

M. W. Brother Lawrence H. Lee, in a few well chosen words, stated the purpose of the meeting and introduced R. W. Brother Oliver Day Street, who delivered an address on "Masonry in Alabama 100 years ago."

R. W. Bro. George Fleming Moore also delivered an interesting and instructive address; and, says the record, "the pleasure of the occasion was greatly enhanced by delightful music from the Masonic Home band and beautiful songs and choral selections by the girls of the Masonic Home."

The 101st Annual Communication was held in the Masonic Temple, Montgomery, on the 7th and 8th December, 1921. Percy B. Dixon, Grand Master, presided in the Grand East, and read an address dealing with many topics of interest. First and foremost, he urged the Brethren "to be ever in the vanguard of the Grand Army of Education in its warfare against Ignorance, Intolerance, and Superstition." In particular he commended what is known as "the Towner-Sterling Bill," then before Congress.

In the second place, the Grand Master called attention to the Constitution of Grand Lodge and implored the members to study it and observe its provisions. Painful instances of disregard of it had come to his official knowledge, and he feared that there was almost a general carelessness about it.

The following passage anent maimed candidates, if a little vague, shows a liberal tendency:—

“During the year a number of requests were made to approve maimed candidates for degrees. After the Lodges had assured me in each case that they had voted unani-
mously to receive the petitions subject to my approval, and that the said applicants would never become a charge upon the Lodge, after careful investigation of each case I gave my consent for the same, where they were not in my opinion disqualified.”

One of the most distinguished and beloved of Alabama's Past Grand Masters, Russell McWhorter Cunningham, died on the 6th June, 1921. He was born in 1855 in Alabama, was brought up upon a farm, became a physician, practised first in Newburgh, Alabama, and afterwards in Birmingham, with great success, became a State Senator, and was Lieutenant-Governor in 1902. He was Grand Master in 1901 and 1902.

The Grand Secretary's statistics show 574 Lodges; 46,624 members on the 15th September, 1921; net gain in a year, 3,932.

R. W. Bro. Oliver Day Street, whose name is well-known throughout the Masonic world, and who was at this Communication Junior Grand Warden and was elected Senior Grand Warden for 1922, presented several special reports of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, all of which were adopted, recommending: (1) recognition of the National Grand Lodge of Italy and non-recognition of the Grand Orient of Italy; (2) recognition of the United Grand Lodge of Queensland; (3) recognition of the Grand Lodge of the Serbs, Croats, and Slovenes, Jugoslavia; (4) and (5) non-recognition for the present, on account of insufficient information, of the Grand Lodge of Ecuador and the “Gran Logia Espanola.”

The Mexican difficulty is the subject of a short but weighty deliverance by Brother Street. It is found at the very end of the Correspondence Reviews, and is quite encouraging:—

"We had intended to set out in this conclusion the report of the Commission of the Grand Lodge of Texas and that of Past Grand Master Charles Albert Adams to the Grand Lodge of California on Masonic conditions in Mexico, but find they would consume too much space. We believe it wise to hold aloof as yet from recognition of either of the Mexican Grand Lodges. A recent attempt at Union between the Valle de Mexico and the York of Mexico very nearly succeeded, and we trust that this much desired event will soon be consummated. Our information is that political affairs are settling down in Mexico, and a strong well-regulated Grand Lodge in the Capital of the Republic could undoubtedly wield a most wholesome influence."

The visit of the ladies of the Order of the Eastern Star, was thus described:—

"The Grand Lodge was called from labour to refreshment and a delegation of ladies of the Order of the Eastern Star were admitted to the Grand Lodge hall

"The Grand Master introduced to the Grand Lodge Mrs. Margaret D. Southerland, Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star of Alabama, who addressed the Grand Lodge in a most happy and pleasing manner.

"Mrs. Alice Goins, Past Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star of Alabama, presented the Grand Master with a beautiful basket of roses on behalf of Elizabeth Armstrong Chapter No. 10, Order of Eastern Star. The Grand Master accepted the beautiful token in eloquent and feeling terms."

This does not get us much "farrarder" in our attempt to penetrate the mystery of the Eastern Star.

We have already referred more than once to R. W. Bro. Oliver Day Street and have only to add that in his reviews of 1921 he has included 73 Grand Jurisdictions, and regretted the absence of the proceedings of 10 more. It is not necessary to say that his work is of the best. When he comes to Canada (in Ontario) he takes up our proceedings of both 1920 and 1921. We have not formed the habit of quoting what a reviewer says about what we said in a former report; it is too much like the House that Jack built; but we cannot forbear this quotation from the review of Canada in 1920:—

"This volume betrays a surprising lack of information in Canada concerning the Eastern Star. The Grand Master

was requested to rule that it was 'clandestine'. He declined to do so because he 'knew nothing about the Order', but as having a possible bearing on the question he quoted an utterance of the Grand Lodge of England in 1919 relating to the society known as 'Co-Masonry.' There is no analogy whatever between 'Co-Masonry' and the Eastern Star. The latter does not claim to be Masonry, while the former does. The Eastern Star confines its membership to Masons already made and their relatives, while Co-Masonry claims to make Masons out of profanes.

"We are not surprised that Brother Edward B. Brown, Foreign Correspondent, should rub his eyes when he reads of a Grand Lodge 'recognising' the Eastern Star. Without more we ourselves do not know what is meant. If it is 'recognised' as a most useful and elevating society, we concur. If it is 'recognised' as Masonry we demur."

We are glad to have elicited an explanation, even if it is not as full a one as we have been craving for.

The whole report is delightful and fascinating reading. The old-fashioned description "a gentleman and a scholar" may well be applied to Alabama's Grand Correspondent.

Julian F. Spearman, Auniston, Grand Master.

George A. Beauchamp, Montgomery, Grand Secretary.

ALBERTA.

In 1921 the Grand Lodge again met at Beautiful Banff—"amidst these inspiring, magnificent mountains," as the Grand Master said.

The Grand Master was M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, and his address was the principal feature of the 16th Annual Communication, held on the 8th and 9th June, 1921. The address opened with some thoughtful words, a part of which we must quote:—

"A general feeling of insecurity in employment, in investment, and in normal occupations, has made men think. They look for a place of refuge, of safety for themselves and their dependants, consequently we have abnormal lists

of waiting candidates for Masonry. There is no question in my mind that this is one of the principal reasons for the knocking at our doors. The reputation of the Craft is such that the outsider feels if he can only get inside he will share in the protection the Craft offers to its dependants, and he will also share in the benefits to himself. Men to-day are seeking sanctuary from the uncertainties of life, and great as has been the disappointment and disillusionment of the world at the conclusion of the war, in the failure to reach new altitudes, greater still will be the disappointment of those should their high hopes of the benefits and advantages of the Order be shattered by apathy and want of ideal in the Lodges.

"The progress of Masonry in Alberta continues to indicate prosperity in every district. A large increase in both membership and new Lodges has taken place during the year. The Brethren are active in the prosecution of the work, and a fraternal spirit is being inculcated by more frequent intervisitation of the Lodges. Uniformity of work is being established throughout the Jurisdiction, due in no small way to the Lodges of Instruction, at all of which the Custodian of the Work was present and by exemplification and precept was able to set the Brethren right. It was a pleasure to observe the ready acquiescence of the Brethren in the rulings of the Grand Custodian. Although the errors and want of uniformity were usually of a minor nature, the work of the Grand Custodian is very necessary, as differences unless periodically corrected continue to grow and in time perhaps affect the essentials of our ceremonies."

It is a pleasure to record the position taken by the Grand Master in regard to a matter which is continually coming up:—

"Another request, made from several quarters, was to permit members to appear in public clothed as Masons at various functions, such as balls, and attending Divine Service in a public place, not a church. These requests were refused. Masons should appear in public only to conduct certain strictly Masonic functions, such as funerals, the laying of corner-stones, and attending Divine Service in a sacred edifice."

Past Grand Master S. Y. Taylor, as Grand Secretary, is untiring in his work for Masonry in Alberta. Grand Masters come and go, but a permanent officer has really more power in his hands, and a good Grand Secretary makes a good Grand Lodge.

Grand Secretary Taylor's presence with the Grand Master at the District Lodges of Instruction throughout the Jurisdiction was doubtless most helpful. He is himself, we take it, the "Custodian" mentioned in the following passages from his report as Grand Secretary:—

"A Lodge of Instruction was held in each of the 14 Masonic districts during the past year. At each of these meetings an explanation and exemplification of the work was given by the Custodian. A marked improvement is noticeable in several districts. An exchange of visits amongst the Lodges is now a common occurrence, with the inevitable result that greater uniformity is gradually being adopted.

"It is gratifying to notice the eager desire of the officers and Brethren to obtain definite information on the esoteric and floor work of the various degrees, and their willingness to carry out minutely the instruction given.

"These district meetings are now recognised as essential to the future welfare of our Institution. They are a medium through which information and instruction may reach every Lodge in the Jurisdiction. They afford an opportunity for the discussion, with the Grand Lodge officers, of the special problems of the individual Lodge. If full advantage is taken of this source of Masonic knowledge, our Lodges are bound to profit thereby.

"It was indeed a great pleasure to accompany the M. W. the Grand Master on his journeys to the district meetings, and I desire to convey to him my personal appreciation of the many courtesies extended to me during the year."

The Grand Master was not less complimentary to the Grand Secretary.

There are in Alberta 123 Lodges, including 3 under dispensation, with a total membership of 10,485, showing a net increase of 1,185 in 1920.

The indefatigable Brother Taylor also writes and presents the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence—a series of 32 excellent reviews. "Canada" (1920) is included and receives discriminating commendation.

J. Watson Younge, Camrose, Grand Master.

S. Y. Taylor, Calgary, Grand Secretary.

ARIZONA.

The Grand Lodge of Arizona had on the 31st December, 1920, 27 chartered Lodges and one under dispensation, with 4,360 Master Masons, and a net gain of 574 for 1920. These figures are furnished in the report of George James Roskruge, Grand Secretary, presented to Grand Lodge at its 39th Annual Communication, held in the Masonic Hall in the City of Bisbee, on the 8th, 9th, and 10th February, 1921. On being at this meeting re-elected Grand Secretary for the 39th time, Brother Roskruge spoke of the great pleasure and intense satisfaction it gave him, on his 75th birthday and the 50th anniversary of his Masonic nativity, to receive from the Lodges and individual Brethren of the Jurisdiction telegrams and letters expressive of their regard for him as a man and a Mason and appreciation of his services as Grand Secretary. He referred to the constitution of Grand Lodge in March, 1882, when he, as Grand Secretary, there being only \$84 in the treasury to meet the expenses of printing the proceedings, procuring stationery, etc., borrowed \$200 at 2 per cent. per month to meet the expenses. At that time there were 5 Lodges with a total membership of 274 and an indebtedness of about \$175. Now there were 28 Lodges with a membership as above, and \$131,662.72 in the treasury. A set of original verses in honour of Brother Roskruge was read, a congratulatory resolution was adopted, and it was ordered that a portrait of the veteran should be incorporated in the proceedings. This having been done, we have the counterfeit presentment of a patriarch of distinguished appearance, and an inscription to the effect that he was born at Roskruge, near Helston, Cornwall, England, in 1845, was received into Freemasonry in a Lodge in Helston in 1870, and is now 75 years young. This is quite interesting, but we should like further particulars of the life of one who has been Grand Secretary for so long a period, and the one and only Grand Secretary of a body of respectable age.

Henry Gordon Glore of Nogales, Grand Master, presided at this Communication. His address was entirely devoted to the business affairs of the Grand

Lodge and does not afford matter for either quotation or comment.

There is no report on correspondence.

Frank Goldwin Brown, Prescott, Grand Master.

George J. Roskruge, P. O. Box 848, Tucson, Grand Secretary.

ARKANSAS.

The Grand Lodge grows and prospers. The annual meetings are held in the month of November, so that we might well (we are writing in June, 1922) have the proceedings of 1921 before us, but those of 1920 are the latest which have come to us.

The 79th Annual Communication was held in Little Rock on the 16th and 17th November, 1920. The 78th annual meeting was in a hotel in that city, and this 79th in the lecture-hall of a church. There were about 500 Craftsmen in attendance—a number we take it too large for any room or hall in the Masonic quarters in Little Rock.

The M. W. Grand Master, Brother Louis Bauerlein, delivered a well-worded and thoughtful address. He is strongly pro-American, in spite of his Teutonic patronymic. He declared himself of the school of those opposed to centralisation of power and authority—whether State, Lodge, or Church. He believed that each State should have its rights and each Grand Lodge should be a sovereign governing body. Speaking of his successor in office, he said that he upon whom the choice should fall would have “pleasure, labour, thoughtful study, unrestful nights”—we beg to add “long and smoky” to the description of the nights—“complex and perplexing problems, and much sacrifice”. For himself—no doubt he had been giving his own experience—the naming of a successor would mean “rest.”

Grand Secretary Fay Hempstead in his report said that the year had been one of great prosperity in the constituent Lodges. Magnolia Lodge, of Little Rock, had 181 initiations, and two others had nearly 100 each. The number of chartered Lodges in November, 1920, was 550, and there were 7 working under dispensation. The total membership at that time was 28,848, and the net gain for the year was 3,274.

At the evening session of the first day of meeting, the Grand Lodge being at refreshment, and members of the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star being seated in the hall, R. W. Brother G. A. Warren, Grand Orator, was introduced and delivered an address. His text was, "The days of our years are three score years and ten or even by reason of strength four score years." Mindful of one section of his audience, the Grand Orator—he disclaimed the appellation and seemed to insist rather upon his character of physician—made the following remarks in the course of his sermon:—

"Masonry would lose its real impetus, its spine be bent, if not broken, should women be admitted. Chivalry is one of the important tenets of Masonry, and the protection of virtue is one of our watch-words. Our strongest vows are for the protection of the Master Mason's wife, widow, mother, sister, or daughter. Women may vote if they care to accept the franchise, but never can they be admitted to Masonry without changing the whole woof and warp of its fabric.

"The Eastern Star is a woman's auxiliary and farther you cannot go without tearing down our time-honoured monuments. I was at the opening of the Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star yesterday morning, and I was truly proud of our sister organisation. This vast concourse of the wives, sisters, and daughters of Masons, beaming with beauty and brains, should be an inspiration even to a wooden man. After admiring, mixing and mingling with them, any man of flesh and blood ought to be able to hold you spell-bound with his eloquent description of the good you have done, are doing and will continue to do, so long as the world stands. Masonry is here to stay. Nothing save our own mistakes, as Brother Bruce Macon told you in his oration four years ago, can ever destroy or injure our Fraternity."

“Thus far and no farther”. We hope the learned Brother is correct in his limitation, but we hae oor doots.

There is no Correspondence Report.

W. W. Magee, Piggott, Grand Master.

Fay Hempstead, Little Rock, Grand Secretary.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Portraits of Grand Masters Samuel J. Willis (1919-20) and Martin L. Grimmett (1920-21) adorn the volume of the 1921 proceedings of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia. Grand Master Grimmett presided at the 50th Annual Communication, held in Victoria on the 23rd and 24th June, 1921. This meeting, however, was preceded by an Emergent Communication held on the 22nd June, also in the Masonic Temple, Victoria, for the purpose of celebrating in a fitting manner the 50th anniversary of the organisation of Grand Lodge. Representatives of the Grand Lodges of the Provinces of Saskatchewan, Alberta, and Nova Scotia, and of the States of Washington and Montana, were introduced and welcomed by the Grand Master of British Columbia. The reception of distinguished visitors was followed by the reception of old members and short speeches by some of them. Then came addresses of welcome from the Mayor of Victoria and the Lodges of District No. 1. Our old friend Dr. A. S. Gorrell, Past Grand Master of Saskatchewan, then delivered an address with his accustomed vigour. Among other things, he said that the outlook of Masonry is to expansiveness. The crux is the desire of all Lodges to extend their power for doing good.

The members of the Grand Lodge and visiting Brethren were then formed in procession and proceeded to St. John's Church, where the Rector, V. W. Brother F. A. P. Chadwick, Grand Chaplain, the Bishop of New Westminster (Brother A. U. DePencier), and another Brother, officiated at a short special ser-

vice. The sermon was preached by the Grand Chaplain, and the collection was in aid of the Masonic War Relief Fund. At the conclusion of the service Grand Lodge returned to the Masonic Temple, and, the labours of the day being ended, was closed in ample form and so proclaimed.

In the evening the members of the Grand Lodge and visiting Brethren were entertained at a magnificent banquet in the drill-hall, Victoria, by the Brethren of District No. 1. There were 900 Brethren present. The Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Brother Wallace S. Terry, presided. There were many eloquent speeches. Among the speakers was M. W. Brother C. Ensor Sharp, Rector of St. Thomas's Church, Toronto, and a member (by affiliation) of Ionic Lodge, Toronto. He was Grand Master of British Columbia in 1903, having been made a Mason in that Province. His subject was "Freemasonry as a Living Issue." Needless to say, his address was eloquent and thoughtful.

All agreed that the banquet was a great success.

On the following day the regular proceedings of Grand Lodge began. Letters and telegrams were read from many quarters containing regrets for absence from the semi-centennial celebration. Among them was one from Grand Master Harcourt of the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario) in which he said that, as it was impossible for him to be present in person, he had authorised M. W. Brother C. Ensor Sharp to represent him.

An interesting innovation was the receipt of congratulatory communications from the Grand Master of the British Columbia I. O. O. F. (sic)—we are not sure whether this means Oddfellows or Foresters—and from the Grand Chapter for British Columbia of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Grand Master Grimmett in his address referred to the death of M. W. Bro. Edgar Crow Baker, a Past Grand Master of this Grand Lodge. He was Grand

Master in 1883 and 1884, and died on the 3rd November, 1920.

Some of the Grand Master's rulings were mentioned by him. One was that "a returned soldier whose left foot had been amputated is not eligible as a candidate for the degrees; *per contra*, that "the loss from the right foot of the big toe at the second joint, of all of the second toe, and of the third toe at the first joint, does not disqualify a petitioner for initiation." These rulings were approved by Grand Lodge.

The following remarks on the "Psychology of Clothes" may be thought interesting:—

"When, on one of my visits to a somewhat small Lodge, I entered the Lodge-room, I was greatly surprised to see that every officer, both elected and appointed, was in evening dress. On my inquiring I found that it was a tradition of the Lodge that all officers should dress in such manner. Knowing that a considerable number of members of the Lodge were working men, and that the future members of the Lodge would be largely drawn from this source, I asked if such a condition would not have a tendency to deter very desirable applicants from applying for admission to the Lodge, but I was assured that the result was entirely contrary. I was equally surprised when some days later visiting a large and influential Lodge I found that the Master was the only one in evening dress. Knowing that such clothes would form an indispensable part of the wardrobe of many of the members of this Lodge, I was about to inquire of the Master why he was the only one so dressed, when he informed me that many of the other members purposely refrained from attending the meetings in evening clothes, thinking that did they do so it might have the effect of keeping other members of the Lodge who did not possess such from attending the Lodge meetings. I would not for a moment lay it down as a hard and fast rule that even the officers should be obliged to dress in evening clothes, but I am afraid that many of our Brethren are much too lax in this respect. I have been pained on some of my visits to notice that some of the Brethren had not the proper appreciation of the respect that was due from them to their Lodge, judging by their clothing. A Freemason should have the same respect for his Lodge as the devout churchman has for his church, and should in his dress contribute as much as he can to the dignity and grace of the Lodge meetings."

The Grand Master noted a remarkable increase in membership and pointed out the consequent responsibility. "Never," he said, "was Freemasonry held in

such high esteem by those who do not misjudge it, nor was there ever more expected of it than at the present day."

Statistics: 86 warranted Lodges, 7 under dispensation; population, 10,112; net gain in a year, 1,137.

The report of the Grand Historian, R. W. Brother William Burns, began a series of histories of the pioneers in British Columbia Masonry, with a brief biography of Eli Harrison, who took an active part in the formation of the Grand Lodge and was Grand Master in 1878, 1879, and 1880.

At the request of the Grand Master, a review of the history of Masonry in the Province, the work of R. W. Brother L. Watts Doney, was read by him. This paper was very carefully prepared and worthy of preservation as a reference-record, but appears to us to have been hardly suitable for reading aloud. It was, however, "listened to with marked attention by the Brethren," and the thanks of Grand Lodge were "extended" to Brother Doney.

W. A. DeWolf-Smith is Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence as well as Grand Secretary. His work in both capacities reflects credit on his Grand Lodge. His reviews, in the orthodox form, are models of literary style, and contain in due proportion both quotation and comment. We find a very full and sympathetic resumé of the proceedings of our Grand Lodge in 1920.

We congratulate the Grand Lodge of British Columbia on having attained the ripe age of 50 and upon the great and well-deserved success which has attended it.

Wallace S. Terry, P. O. Drawer 752, Victoria,
Grand Master.

Dr. W. A. DeWolf-Smith, P. O. Drawer 910, New
Westminster, Grand Secretary.

CALIFORNIA.

George Frederick Rodden, the 54th Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of California, is a native of that State, born in Montezuma, in 1867. In his early boyhood he attended the public schools of Montezuma, and later the high schools of San Francisco. He has the distinction of being the youngest graduate in the history of the University of California, in which institution he finished his course of studies in 1887, too young to receive his degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery, which degree was conferred upon him after he had attained his majority. Since 1888 he has practised his chosen profession in San Francisco, although his home was and is in the beautiful city of San Rafael, of which he was Mayor in 1919. He was there initiated into Masonry in 1898, and was Master of his Lodge in 1902. In 1903 he made his first appearance in Grand Lodge and in 1904 was given the responsible position of Inspector, which he filled in a most active way until his election as Junior Grand Warden in 1917. During his incumbency as Inspector he originated, and caused to be made a real factor in Masonic relief work, the scheme of a general participation by all Brethren of the Jurisdiction in the glorious effort of educating the members of the Craft to a proper notion of personal responsibility one to another, and raising a million dollars for the Endowment Fund of the Masonic Homes—a dream that will yet come true.

These particulars are from a sketch which accompanies the portrait of the Grand Master—evidently a strong and vigorous personality. The biography, though brief, is exceptionally informing.

Brother Rodden was elected Grand Master in 1920, and presided over the 72nd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of California, held in San Francisco, on the 11th, 12th, 13th, and 14th October, 1921.

The address read by the Grand Master dealt at considerable length with large subjects and was

couched in scholarly and appropriate language. We feel that it is an important document, but we cannot even attempt to summarise it. Some of the results of it may be seen in the reports and resolutions which will be referred to. His brief general remarks on the spirit and condition of Masonry in California may be quoted:—

"I have been sincerely impressed and profoundly touched by the magnificent spirit displayed. Wheresoever I have gone—and my year has been very full—there were to be found the same reverence for our established principles, the same eagerness in proffered service, recognition of civic and domestic duties and pride in their performance, obedience to the laws, of the Fraternity, and fealty to its duly constituted representatives.

"But over and above all, the really high light is the close bond of fraternal affection which holds our Brethren in such close communion. In whatsoever community one may find himself, there will be discovered Masonic Brethren working and playing together in perfect accord, upholding their Masonic traditions with every evidence of their exalted appreciation of the relationship that should exist between them and the parts they should play in the affairs around them."

The Report of the Grand Secretary, Bro. John Whicher, showed an addition of 20 new Lodges during the year ending on the 31st July, 1921, and a net gain in membership of 8,315, hardly so great a gain as in the previous year, but still extraordinarily large. There were in all 420 Lodges with a total membership of 85,181.

The report of the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary, who as a committee of Grand Lodge attended the annual meeting of the Masonic Service Association in November, 1920, was a well-considered and well-reasoned production; it ended with the recommendation "that this Grand Lodge do not join the Masonic Service Association as at present organised." The recommendation was adopted.

Much space in the volume of proceedings is devoted to the Masonic Homes. The following paragraph from one of the reports is informing:—

"The Masonic Homes of California, incorporated, are maintained by the members of Lodges holding obedience to the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Jurisdiction of California, and are conducted by authority of the Grand Lodge through a Board of Trustees. They are supported by direct appropriations from Grand Lodge by funds which are derived from (1) per capita dues from Lodges, fixed annually; (2) the sum of \$20 from each petitioner for initiation and from each applicant for membership from another Jurisdiction; and (3) from bequests, gifts and donations. The Home for the adults is located near Decoto, Alameda county, and the Home for children is located near Covina, Los Angeles county."

A great work is being done at an ever-increasing expense.

The annual oration was delivered by Brother Harvey D. Loveland, Grand Orator, Past Master of San Francisco Lodge No. 360. He thus defined the scope of his address:—

"Beautifully has the poet expressed the sentiments of service—

"There are valiant hearts, there are spirits brave,
There are souls that are warm and true:
Then give to the world the best that you have,
"And the best will come back to you."

"In harmony with that idea I shall try, first, to give you my best thought upon the subject of Freemasonry as a science as it finds expression in our daily lives; and, second, from the principles thus developed to deduce some of the pure and holy lessons taught by it, and to comment briefly thereon, especially upon the analogy between the Operative Art and the Speculative Science."

The task which he thus set himself he accomplished with great skill and with unsurpassed eloquence.

Grand Lodge approved of the erection of a suitable club-house near the campus of the University of California for the use of Master Masons and sons and daughters of Masons at the University, and gave its consent to a State-wide appeal among Masons for the necessary funds to erect and equip such a building.

The following resolution was adopted:—

“Whereas this Grand Lodge, at the Annual Communication of 1902, extended fraternal recognition to the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. Valle de Mexico; and whereas it now satisfactorily appears, after thorough inquiry and investigation, that the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, to which recognition was so extended, changed its name in 1911, and ever since has been, and now is, known as the York Grand Lodge of Mexico F. & A. M.; and that there is no reason why that recognition should be withdrawn. Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Grand Lodge of California, being fully advised of all the facts and circumstances, hereby formally extends fraternal recognition to the York Grand Lodge of Mexico F. & A. M., of which M. W. Bro. Ernest J. Nicklos is Grand Master; and that the Grand Master of Masons in California, when so requested, arrange for an interchange of fraternal representatives. And be it further resolved that the Grand Lodge of California does hereby express the hope that a solution may be found for the problems now confronting Ancient Craft Masonry in the Republic of Mexico, and that harmony may be restored; and commending the fraternal spirit which prompted the Grand Master of the York Grand Lodge and his Brethren to adopt the suggestions and recommendations of the Texas Commission for a merger with the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, and confirming the assurance given at that time by the representative of the Grand Master of Masons in California, together with the Texas Commission and the Grand Master of Louisiana. And be it further resolved that, in the event of a merger of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico with the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico and the organisation thereby of a new Grand Lodge in the Republic of Mexico, the fraternal recognitions hereby extended the York Grand Lodge of Mexico be deemed to be extended the new Grand Lodge so formed, under whatever name it may be known.”

This appears to be eminently sensible, and practical; but we should think that, in the case of a Grand Lodge which had had in the past no relations with either of the Mexican Grand bodies, it would be better to defer recognition of either or both until the proposal for a merger is adopted or fails.

The Grand Lodge of California gave formal recognition to the United Grand Lodge of Queensland; but took no action upon the applications for recognition of the Grand Lodges of Emador and Guatemala, not having sufficient information upon which to base a recommendation.

The biography of the Grand Master to which we have referred is a new departure. It is perhaps a coincidence that we referred a year ago to the absence of such an aid to history. We find that a resolution authorising the Grand Secretary to "cause a short biographical sketch of the life of the Grand Master to be printed on the page opposite the half-tone portrait" was adopted at this Communication.

The task of conveying a true impression of of Brother Jesse M. Whited's Report on Correspondence—his 3rd annual—is not an easy one. It is a wonderful synopsis, in form not differing from his two former reports, but, if possible, even more varied and interesting. It is impossible to summarise it more aptly than he himself does at the outset thus:—

"The general topics of interest in the various Proceedings are:—

"(1) The tendency of the various Grand Lodges to take action against the 'higherdegrees' and miscellaneous organisations.

"(2) the enormous growth of the Fraternity, and the reason therefor.

"(3) The attempt to find some means to overcome the danger due to that increase.

"(4) An effort to devise some way to make Lodges something other than 'degree-mills.'

"(5) The continuation of Masonic education and establishing new plans in Jurisdictions that have not yet given this matter attention.

"(6) The part that Masonry must play in the affairs of the day, and particularly the public school question."

This, however, is a mere outline; and we add, rather as samples of his goods, than as a delivery of the goods themselves, a few of his emphatic statements:—

"As stated in our previous reports, we believe that Masonry, as an organisation, has no quarrel with the Roman Catholic Church, as a religion. Any movement founded

on intolerance cannot succeed. Unfortunately, the radicals on both sides are considered by the general public as spokesmen for the respective organisations and attract more attention than they properly should. If we will devote our activities to doing good because it is right, and pay less attention to what the opposition is doing, we have nothing to fear. Actions speak plainer than words."

"The recent action of the Grand Master of Pennsylvania in requiring all members of the Masonic Fraternity to sever their connection with the Order of the Eastern Star, has caused considerable discussion and comment. Undoubtedly his action was due to local conditions. There is no doubt but what the Eastern Star, is a valuable adjunct to the Fraternity, even though it is not a part of it. The success of the Masonic Homes in a number of States is due to the good work done by the members of this Order, as well as the financial support which they have given. We are awaiting with interest the report of the International Masonic Congress that is being held in Geneva, where some zealous French Masons are endeavoring to commit that body to the idea of admitting women into Masonic Lodges. France, by this action, is furnishing another argument against recognition by Grand Lodges that have as yet taken no action."

On this subject Brother Whited quotes the words referring to the Order of the Eastern Star in the address of Grand Master Harcourt to the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario) in 1920. This is the only reference made to our Grand Lodge that we have found in the report.

"'The Grotto' still seems to be in disfavour in certain States. There is a growing tendency to legislate against organisations having membership in the Masonic Fraternity as a basis for eligibility to join. 'The Grotto', being one of the newest arrivals in the fraternal world, is naturally the first to come under the ban."

"There is no doubt but what the growth of Masonry during the past two years has been phenomenal. Various reasons are given for this, but we believe the rapid increase is having a bad result. While all of the Grand Lodges 'view with alarm' this growth, still they continue to 'point with pride' to the increase in membership. No Jurisdiction yet seems to have taken any positive action or steps to remedy the existing condition of affairs. They are long on ideas but short in action. The germ of decay in any organisation has and will always be popularity. How many members prize Masonry only for the privilege it gives them of wearing an emblem, be it the Square and Compass, the Maltese

Cross, the Double Eagle, or the Scimitar and Crescent? We have often speculated as to what would be the effect of another persecution along the lines of the Morgan excitement.' How many would discard their emblems and 'take to the tall timbers' as did our Brethren of 1826?"

"The Masonic Service Association will continue to function, and is, no doubt, doing good work. Having been organized during the war period, the enthusiasm which marked its formation has naturally waned. If it did nothing else than demonstrate that the idea of a General Grand Lodge can never exist in the United States, it has performed one service."

The report is "topical," as is admitted, and perhaps pessimistic, as one writer avers, but it is "topicalism," if we may coin a word for the occasion, at its best. There is but one Whited.

Samuel E. Burke, 619 Trust and Savings Building, Los Angeles, Grand Master.

John Whicher, Masonic Temple, San Francisco, Grand Secretary.

COLORADO.

Much was to be expected from the Ruler of the Craft elected in 1920, and described in our report of last year, Judge Haslett Platt Burke, Grand Master; and much was given. In his address at the 61st Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Colorado, held in Denver on the 20th and 21st September, 1921, he said:—

"In two instances only have I accepted an invitation to install Lodge officers, and in two to participate in work. In all other cases I have spent the time at my disposal in presenting what I conceive to be such of the fundamentals of the Fraternity as most need attention at the present moment: the position of the Ancient Craft in the Masonic world, the legitimate sphere of its jurisdiction, the futility of numbers, the supreme importance of quality, and, above all, the relation of American Freemasonry to the Nation and the Mason's duty to his country. If this, as I believe, be the seed to sow, and any small part of it has fallen upon good ground, I am content.

"I have visited two or three Lodges from which the Masonic spirit, if once present, seemed forever to have departed, and been saddened by the sense of a great failure. Of all others, I should like to speak at length. They have a wonderful story to tell, a powerful inspiration to impart, and they hold out a hope for the future which is the brightest star in a sky of drifting and ominous storm-clouds."

"In many quarters there is to be observed an unjustifiable appetite for Masonic publicity. Newspaper advertisements of Masonic activities are lamentably frequent. What seems to me a particularly flagrant instance of this evil, in a locality where solicitation has been charged, is called to your attention by the submission of numerous newspaper clippings. These things are to be discountenanced and ought to be discontinued. They constitute merely an indirect method of solicitation. All their effects are evil and all their tendencies destructive. No attempt should be made save 'by the regularity of our own behaviour' to popularise the Craft. We want no members who do not come of their 'own free will and accord', 'uninfluenced by mercenary motives or the improper solicitation of friends'. The greatest danger which to-day threatens the Fraternity is the danger against which its sages and leaders have warned it in Colorado and elsewhere from time immemorial—too much popularity. Our more active Lodges should investigate petitions more carefully and select their material more judiciously. Their growth is too rapid to be always healthy. We should cease to worry about the enemy without. Now, as always, he is absolutely impotent to injure us. Freemasonry can only be torn down from within.

"Every Grand Master cherishes the hope that whatever occasions arise calling for Special Communications during his administration, he may at least be spared the sad duty of officiating at the open grave of an officer, or permanent member, of his Grand Lodge. Such a hope is seldom realised. During my term, two of our Past Grand Masters have answered the final summons. M.W. Brother Frank Church, accomplished and scholarly, ranked high in the list of those who have been called to preside over the Craft in this Jurisdiction. M.W. Brother George W. Musser, capable lawyer, just Judge, learned Craftsman, stood among the first of those to whom, for many years, we have looked here for wisdom and guidance. These were outstanding characters, great men and Masons, whom we could ill afford to lose. Their work remains to speak for them, telling us the story of devoted lives.

"For 17 years there had filled the office of Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Colorado, one whose commanding position in the Fraternity was acknowledged far beyond the borders of our own Jurisdiction. Charles H. Jacobson was the peer of any man who ever held that position in any Grand Lodge in the world. He was recognised as the personification of the best for which the Fraternity stood. Orator, diplomat, scholar, and Masonic jurist. A long line of my predecessors had found in his service and counsel their chiefest support and greatest strength.

"During the week preceding February 20, 1921, he had assisted me in the laying of two corner-stones. About midnight of the 18th, on our return from the last of these missions, I bade him good-bye at the Denver depot. I left him in the full glow of mental and physical health and spirits. On Sunday the 20th, I was summoned to the telephone to hear the startling report that to him had come that 'word from the darkness', at which the working tools had suddenly dropped from his hands and he had passed to his place in the

Grand Lodge above. No Mason in our history has done a greater work for the Craft. None has held higher ideals. None has had a deeper influence for good upon the whole Fraternity. None could be more sadly missed. His work on the Great Temple remains unfinished, but he was a mighty builder, who everywhere 'cut on the timber' and 'carved on the stone',

"After me cometh the builder,
Tell him I too have known."

The whole address—it is not a long one—would be quoted did space permit. From the portions we have given much may be learned by any Mason. Such a mastery of the English language as is displayed by Judge Burke is seldom attained; words are sometimes used to conceal the paucity of the thoughts behind them; but in the calm, clear, dispassionate utterances of the learned Jurist and Mason we recognise the working of a powerful mind applied to a comprehension and interpretation of the teachings of Masonic Science.

The mortal remains of Grand Secretary Jacobson were committed to the earth on the 23rd February, 1921.

The duty of filling the office of Grand Secretary till Grand Lodge should meet was imposed upon the Grand Master; he chose the Grand Lecturer, Brother William W. Cooper, of Denver, to serve out the term, and he was at this Communication elected Grand Secretary for the ensuing year.

The Grand Secretary's statistics show 134 chartered Lodges; 26,242 members on the 31st July, 1921; and net gain in a year 2,452.

The Grand Orator, Past Grand Master L. D. Crain, spoke on the Masonic watchwords—Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth; Faith, Hope, and Charity; Temperance, Fortitude, Prudence, and Justice.

The new Grand Master elected and installed at this Communication was Marshall Henry Van Fleet, who was born in 1859 at Bucyrus, Ohio. He went to Colorado in 1890, and in 1897 settled in Alamosa, in that State, where he has since resided, acting as the representative of a Denver mercantile corporation. His

Masonic career began in Lincoln, Kansas, in 1885; in 1910 he was Master of Alamosa Lodge; he held his first office in Grand Lodge in 1913, and advanced steadily year by year until he reached the summit. "He has," quoth his biographer, "the respect and confidence of his Brethren throughout the entire Jurisdiction."

Brother Stanley C. Warner, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, makes a distinction between the annual report of that committee and the annual review of the proceedings in other Jurisdictions, but is, we take it, the writer of both. In the report of 1921 he says:—

"The precipitate action of many Grand Lodges in the recognition of French Masonry was, as we feared at the time, the result of our great love and affection for our Allies in the war, and mature deliberation is apparently having the effect in some Jurisdictions of creating a tendency to review the action. Our country, which has adopted female suffrage, is apparently not yet ready to accept women as Freemasons, and the French action in this respect, coupled with the rejection of the Bible from the altar, has led to a very strong objection to the further or more extended recognition of the French Grand Bodies. The action of the Grand Orient in maintaining Lodges in New York and San Francisco may have helped somewhat in creating this feeling."

In reviewing the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario) he finds a good deal to quote with approval.

We note many points of similarity between this Colorado Grand Lodge and our own, and have found inspiration in the perusal of this volume, the contents of which we have but inadequately summarised.

Marshall H. Van Fleet, Alamosa, Grand Master.

William W. Cooper, Denver, Grand Secretary.

COLUMBIA (District of).

The volume containing the 110th annual report of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia has as a frontispiece a portrait of Joseph Harry Cunningham, Grand Master in 1920, who was, we are told, born in Washington in 1865. He learned the art of engraving, became a newspaper reporter

and cartoonist, and is now secretary-treasurer of the Lanman Engraving Company. As a cartoonist he achieved a "national reputation for his brilliantly conceived and artistically executed hits on the current happenings of the day." He became a Master Mason in 1887, was Master of his Lodge in 1891, and has been an officer of Grand Lodge, steadily advancing, since 1909. The writer of a short biography from which we have obtained these facts, says that Brother Cunningham's term of office was a period of unprecedented activity, during which he showed himself "a dignified and courteous presiding officer, constant in his attendance at the Communications of the constituent Lodges, and a prince of a good fellows in his intercourse with his Brethren."

At the second Stated Communication of the year 1920, held in Washington on the 12th May, Grand Master Cunningham presiding, the death of Past Grand Master George Clark Ober was announced, and a memorial prepared by J. Claude Keiper, P.G.M., was read, from which it appeared that the deceased notable was born in Washington in 1860, studied medicine, and became a practising physician of high repute and a professor in the National University. He was Grand Master in 1910.

At this Communication a committee was appointed to consider the advisability of building a new Masonic Temple and to recommend ways and means by which it might be done.

On the 8th November, 1920, Grand Master Cunningham presided at a Special Communication held for the purpose of dedicating to Masonic uses the new hall or temple of Stansbury Lodge, Washington.

The Annual Communication was held in the Masonic Temple, Washington, on the 15th December, 1920. On this occasion the usual Grand Master's address was read by Brother Cunningham. We do not find in it anything of special interest beyond the limits of the District.

There appear to be 34 active constituent Lodges, with a total membership of 16,306 on the 30th September, 1920, and a large net gain for the year—2,583.

The Committee on Correspondence reported that "the soi-disant Grand Lodge Regional Catalano Balear" was schismatic and irregular; that the committee had not sufficient information as yet before it to enable it to make a recommendation in regard to the Grand Lodge of Venezuela; and that formal recognition and exchange of representatives should be denied to the "Grand East of Barranquilla," Colombia. The report was adopted.

The same report contains some information as to the position taken by the Grand Lodge of France in regard to the admission of women into Masonry. A letter of November, 1920, from an officer of the Grand Lodge of France explained that that Grand Lodge, while approving in principle the admission of women into Freemasonry, did not intend to put that principle into practice unless and until the other Grand Lodges which have official relations with her decide to do the same or at any rate to allow each Grand Lodge full liberty in the matter. The committee, understanding that some decision might be arrived at in April, 1921, when a world-conference was to be held in Rome, advised Grand Lodge to await the result of the conference before taking action. The advice was adopted. We have not heard the result.

The special committee appointed at the Stated Communication in May reported a scheme for building a new Masonic Temple in Washington, which they deemed to be a necessity. All branches of Masonry, "including the Order of the Eastern Star," are to join in the scheme, and all are to be accommodated in the Temple when built. The report was adopted.

Perhaps the words we have placed in quotation marks are loosely used, but on the face of them the Order of the Eastern Star appears to be a branch of Masonry.

A sale of the present inadequate Masonic Temple is contemplated.

At the Communication held on St. John the Evangelist's Day, the 27th December, 1920, new officers were elected and installed. We observe that our old friend Roe Fulkerson has been advanced to the position of Grand Marshal, but he must have gained at least another step by this time—we are writing in July, 1922.

George W. Baird, P.G.M., presented his 21st annual report on the proceedings of sister Grand Lodges, including therein "a few other subjects which appear of immediate interest to the Grand Lodge." Under "Belgium" he opines that Belgian Masonry is more national than fraternal. The report on Canada (Ontario), proceedings of 1920, is very short, but laudatory.

The "other subjects" treated of by Brother Baird are "The International Bureau" and "Masonic Federation."

Among the reviews of one intitled "France." The Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia in 1917 formally recognised the Grand Lodge of France and requested that reports be exchanged. But not until November, 1920, did Brother Baird receive a report, and then it was "Official Bulletin No. 13, September, 1920." containing the qualified resolution as to the admission of "la femme" into Masonry. Brother Baird says, "If their women should be admitted our course would be brief but prompt."

In his conclusion this able writer charges strongly against tinkering with constitutions and by-laws. He illustrated his theme by reference to amendments of the United States Constitution and makes some delightful remarks about the 18th amendment, which are decidedly worth quoting:—

"Had politicians been kept out of the temperance movement the drink habit would have continued to diminish, and, in a few years, would have been negligible, for it was growing less and less.

"In 1804 there was more money estimated for grog on a United States frigate than for beef and pork together. In 1812 there were delivered to one (Washington) Navy Yard alone, "120 barrels of good whisky, at 52 cents a gallon," for issue to the ships of the Navy, but after the Civil War began grog was discontinued as part of the ration, and only wine and malt liquors permitted on board. This was effected through the temperance movements, and with common consent. No constitutional amendment was needed, sought, nor suggested.

"But by the 18th amendment the Government loses a round billion dollars in revenue annually, and has to spend \$88,000,000 in its effort to enforce prohibition, while the sale of narcotic, insidious drugs (substitutes for grog) has increased 300 per cent., and Government reports show that Americans have become the head of the list of addicts, or "dope-fiends." Arrests for drunkenness have diminished, but murders, bank robberies, highway robberies, and defalcations have become greatly on the increase. The horrible examples exhibited by the 'prohibs' were probably true, but their own relatives should have been punished instead of the 98 per cent. of temperance people."

Charles J. O'Neill, Masonic Temple, Washington, D.C., Grand Master.

Arvine W. Johnston, Masonic Temple, Washington, D.C., Grand Secretary.

CONNECTICUT.

The printed proceeding of the 133rd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, held in the Masonic Temple, Hartford, on the 2nd and 3rd February, 1921, make pleasant reading; and there is something in them which will interest outsiders. Grand Master Charles C. Perkins (portrait but no biography) presided and made an address which told everything that could be told of the progress of Masonry in Connecticut in 1920. He said that he was the 74th Grand Master, and that suggests that some of his predecessors must have served for more than one year; but his own opinion is that "the custom of having the Grand Master serve but one year is absolutely best and safest for the Fraternity." We think differently in Ontario, but we shall not dispute the point.

We quote what was said about increase in numbers: "Success has crowned our efforts year by year ever since this Grand Lodge reached its first milestone. There have been lean years and fat years to be sure, but our gain has been steady. Last year we thought we had reached the pinnacle of success, but the returns for 1920 proclaim it the banner year in our history. While we have added greatly to our number, the quality has been maintained. In fact I am convinced that the quality has been improved with the aid of experience and progressive science."

Wallace S. Moyle, who was Grand Master in 1919, died in September, 1920, as the result of a surgical operation from which he was unable to rally. He was born in England in 1867, but came to America when only 4 years old. He was a graduate both in arts and law of Yale University and lived and practised as a lawyer in New Haven. An indefatigable worker in everything he undertook, he was active in all branches of Masonry. His services to the Masonic Charity Foundation, of the board of managers of which he was president for 10 years, were priceless. We feel with the Grand Master that his sudden removal was "a tremendous loss."

The Grand Master made an eloquent plea for relaxation of the rules as to physical qualifications. His own decisions gave a liberal interpretation to the existing law, especially in the case of an artificial limb. The Committee on Jurisprudence reported, however, that the Grand Master's ruling in this respect were opposed to previous decisions, and the report was accepted.

The Grand Secretary's statistics are eloquent: number of Lodges, 114; Lodges making returns, 114; total membership at the end of 1920, 34,703; net gain in a year, 3,219.

The Grand Lodge formally severed fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Prussia.

Support and financial aid were voted to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial and Masonic Service Associations.

The Grand Secretary, George A. Kies, P.G.M., prepared and presented the Correspondence Report, thus prefacing it: "Herewith, our 8th annual review, The H. C. of printing explains its bobtailed character." The reviews are certainly not long, but are meaty. Brother Kies is a shrewd commentator. Under "Canada, 1920," we find something interesting about the Order of the Eastern Star. Grand Master Harcourt had said: "I really do not think that a Mason is justified in joining or lending his name to any society not Masonic simply because he is a Mason." This, writes Brother Kies, "is too sweeping." He himself never joined the Order of the Eastern Star, but he knows that it "distinctly disclaims to be Masonic." Having personal knowledge of some of the larger good works of the Order, he fails to see any possible Masonic danger in its existence. Nor can he see how the fact that all the members must be Masons has any effect in making the Order Masonic. "Our Canadian Brethren are altogether too extremely meticulous." We are always on the lookout for something that will explain the relation of this Order to Masonry; and we welcome Brother Kies's contribution, though it does not entirely clear up the situation.

Charles Winthrop Cramer, Hartford, Grand Master.

George A. Kies, Hartford, Grand Secretary.

DELAWARE.

Of 5 Emergent Communications of the Grand Lodge of Delaware during the Masonic year 1920-1921, 2 were of especial interest. On the 4th November, 1920, the Grand Lodge met in the Masonic Temple, Wilmington, for the purpose of celebrating and commemorating the Masonic birthday and acts of Brother George Washington. The opening was

in ample form, after which the members repaired to the auditorium of the Wilmington High School, where Brethren of several of the constituent Lodges were assembled. The M. W. Grand Master delivered an address of welcome to the members and guests. The Rev. R. W. Trapnell and the Rt. Rev. Philip Cook, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Delaware, were introduced, and each delivered "a wonderfully eloquent and effective address that was received with keen appreciation." There was music, also, both vocal and instrumental.

The second Emergent Communication of the Grand Lodge was opened in the old town-hall of Wilmington on the 31st March, 1921, for the purpose of reintering the remains of Gunning Bedford junior, the first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Delaware. After the opening, the Grand Lodge officers proceeded to the grounds of the Masonic Home of Delaware, where were assembled a large number of members of the Fraternity, and the remains of the first Grand Master were reinterred, the solemn Masonic burial service being used. In selecting a place, month, day, and hour of meeting for this Communication, the Grand Master followed the action taken by the Grand Lodge 109 years ago at the funeral of Brother Bedford in Wilmington.

The 116th Annual Communication was held on the 5th and 6th October, 1921, in the Masonic Temple, Wilmington; Grand Master William J. Highfield, of Wilmington, who described himself in his address as "an humble but zealous advocate of Freemasonry," presided.

The address was excellent, both in form and substance. One of the matters taken up was the establishment at the University of Delaware of a Gunning Bedford Memorial Masonic Scholarship. Nearly all the constituent Lodges had pledged financial support to the project, and the Grand Master had appointed a committee to draft a plan. The Committee reported a plan, which was adopted with an amendment as to the amount to be raised per member per annum for the purpose.

For the Masonic Home of Delaware a hospital wing and an addition to the ordinary living quarters were urgently required, and the expense was estimated at \$50,000. This sum the Grand Master asked the Brethren in the Lodges to raise by a systematic course of giving.

Many other subjects were touched upon by the Grand Master, who evidently had a very good grasp of the Masonic situation in Delaware, and whom the Committee on Jurisprudence, reporting on his address, highly commended for his assiduity and his progressive and wide-spread policy that had stimulated interest in the work of the Craft throughout the length and breadth of the Jurisdiction.

Action in regard to the recognition of the Grand Lodge of France and the renewal of fraternal relations with the Grand Orient of France was indefinitely postponed.

The report of the Grand Secretary showed 22 constituent Lodges; 5,375 Master Masons on the 24th June, 1921; and a net gain of 447 in a year.

The work carried on is wonderful when the comparatively small (though increasing) membership is considered.

Past Grand Master Thomas J. Day presented the Report on Foreign Correspondence—a review in abbreviated form of the proceedings of 60 Grand Lodges, Canada (in Ontario), proceedings of 1920, received due attention.

The Reverend George C. Williams, Wilmington, Grand Master.

John F. Robinson, Wilmington, Grand Secretary.

FLORIDA.

The record of 1921 is before us. We had 1920 in 1920, and nothing in 1921. We hope to have 1922 ere we close, for the Grand Lodge of Florida meets annually in January.

The 92nd Annual Communication was held in Jacksonville on the 18th, 19th, and 20th January, 1921; Grand Master Reginald H. Cooper, of Palatka, Grand Master, presiding in the Grand East. His address contains an excellent summary of the work of the year and a remarkable pronouncement respecting the Masonic Service Association of the United States. Florida had assumed the burden of membership in that body and had hitherto met the "assessment" made by it; but doubts had arisen. The Grand Master said:—

"The Masonic Service Association has repeatedly disclaimed any intention of assuming any of the powers or prerogatives of a General or Supreme Grand Lodge. It further disclaims any thought of levying or the power to levy an assessment upon a member Grand Lodge, but suggests that each member Jurisdiction provide for a fund not exceeding 5 cents per capita annually, and that such fund be subject to the draft of the Executive Commission of the Masonic Service Association, as needs for carrying on the work of the association may arise. It is to be presumed that unless a member Grand Jurisdiction complies with this suggestion it cannot remain a member in good standing of the association, and I must confess that I am at a loss to perceive the difference between this so-called suggestion and an assessment."

During the past year, Washington, Idaho, Colorado, and Kentucky had withdrawn from the association; and Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Virginia, and West Virginia had not become members.

The Grand Master had given the 90 days' notice of withdrawal required by the constitution of the association, and he left it to Grand Lodge to approbate or reprobate. The withdrawal was consummated by a resolution, passed upon the report of the Jurisprudence Committee.

In regard to physical perfection the Grand Master said that he had been requested to grant dispensations to enable Lodges to receive petitions for initiation from candidates who had lost a foot and a portion of the leg by amputation, but who, by means of artificial substitutes, were enabled to earn their living and were men of good education and of excel-

lent character. In each of such cases he was confronted by regulation No. 91, which compelled him to reply that it was not within his power to afford any relief. He appealed to Grand Lodge in these words:—

“Even at the risk of laying myself open to the charge of endeavouring to uproot landmarks and disturb the hallowed dust of ages, I would earnestly recommend that this Grand Lodge seriously consider the advisability of repealing regulation No. 91, or at least amending it to the extent of permitting a dismembered applicant to qualify for membership, if, by use of an artificial substitute, he is enabled to conform literally to the requirements of the 3 degrees.”

Grand Lodge agreed with its ruler, and sanctioned amendments which make regulations 90 and 91 read as follows:—

“90. The casualties of war are no reason for changing the Ancient Landmarks of Freemasonry. The candidate must be hale and sound and must be able to perform the work required in the 3 degrees of Masonry.

“91. An artificial substitute will qualify a dismembered applicant, if by the use thereof he is capable of conforming literally to what the several degrees require of him. In all such cases, the approval of the Grand Master must be obtained.”

A long step in the right direction!

The Grand Orator read an original poem entitled “Hiram the Builder,” which is printed in the proceedings. Dr. W. Lincoln Hulley, President of the John B. Stetson University, DeLand, Florida, is the Grand Orator. The verses, if we may say so with deference, are of considerable merit. We quote the final stanza:—

“Although the Builder died, his work lives on.

Yes, he himself is living yet in ways

We think not. Still his power remains. Though gone,

The Lodge preserves his name, his laws, his praise,
And shall do so until the end of days.

He fixed its forms, its ritual, in part,

Its moral teaching even to the phrase,

He taught these lessons daily from his heart,

Enshrining them in language of the highest art.”

Grand Secretary Wilber P. Webster, of Jackson-

ville, presented his 26th annual report, accompanied by statistics. There are 236 active Lodges on the roll, with a total membership at the end of 1920 of 18,933, and a net increase of 2,321 for that year.

We have read somewhere that the Order of the Eastern Star has the same relation to Masonry as the Shrine and the Grotto. But we never hear of any "recognition" of the Shrine or the Grotto, whereas in a great many Grand Lodges there is what may be called a tactual relationship with the Eastern Star. In these Florida proceedings we read that the Grand Matron of the Order in Florida "extended greetings"—delightful phrase—to the Grand Master "and through him to the great Brotherhood:" and that upon motion a committee of 5 dignitaries of Grand Lodge was appointed "to visit Jacksonville Chapter No. 15, O.E.S., to thank the Grand Matron and to assure her that her greetings and best wishes were heartily reciprocated." This is surely in some sort a "recognition."

There is a Masonic Home at St. Petersburg; but there is a project on foot for building a new one upon a site not yet selected.

Past Grand Master Silas B. Wright, presenting his 21st annual report, remarks that he has "thereby become a veteran at the table." He is an able and accomplished veteran and spares no pains. The proceedings of our Grand Lodge for 1920 are very carefully reviewed and judiciously quoted. The orthodox reviews of the various Jurisdictions are followed by a "Conclusion," in which a few topics of general importance are discussed. Interesting facts about large Lodges are given. Palestine, a Lodge in Detroit is unquestionably the largest, having over 3,000 members. Meetings are held three times a week, and there is no limit to the number of candidates. The Lodge has paid instructors, paid singers, and paid visiting and sick committees.

The oldest Lodges are in Scotland—one in Aberdeen is (perhaps doubtfully) credited with a continuous existence since 1483.

But the most interesting part of the "Conclusion" is the article on "The Rounders' Club", an organ-

isation in Chicago which is doubtless unique. There are more than 170 Lodges in Chicago, and they are receiving so many petitions for degrees that it is impossible to confer them all at evening meetings, so it is frequently found necessary to meet during the hours of daylight. "Under the rules of the Grand Lodge of Illinois the degrees must be conferred upon candidates separately and entirely, including the lectures. In a busy, rushing city, it is manifestly impossible for many of the officers of the Lodges to attend Lodge meetings during the business hours, and in most cases it would be difficult to secure a quorum to open up, or a sufficient number of proficient men to do the work. There are a number of competent, capable, efficient workers in the city who go from Lodge to Lodge, and fill the place of absent officers. From 4 to 10 of these men will be found at all Lodge meetings, ready to fill almost any position that they may be called upon to take. Their ritualistic proficiency is very nearly perfect, and they are at home in all of the several stations. They may, perhaps, work with such speed that they do not give proper expression or interpretation to the ritual, but they are regular 'bears' for work, and many Masters have cause to bless them for aid when badly needed. These men are called 'rounders'. They will work uncomplainingly for the long afternoon with no reward in sight, other than a Lodge supper and a cigar or two. They are emphatically not the 'knife and fork brigade,' meaning members who arrive just in time for supper, but who are too busy to stay for the evening work. These men are really good Masons, as their work or business is such that they are free during the day, or they are not compelled to labour daily, and most of them are members who have an abiding love for Masonic work. Nearly every Master in Chicago knows these 'rounders'. They are a bunch of good fellows, but it is doubtful if they receive credit commensurate with the value of their service in the course of Masonry."

Charles H. Ketchum, Key West, Grand Master.

Wilber P. Webster, Jacksonville, Grand Secretary.

GEORGIA.

The 134th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Georgia was held in Macon on the 26th and 27th October, 1920; and it is that meeting with which we have to deal in these pages, although, in May 1922, it seems rather remote. In our reviews of 1921 there was no Georgia.

Charles L. Bass, an eminent clergyman, elected Grand Master in 1919, presided at this 134th Annual Convocation; and we learn that he and all the other officers were thereat re-elected and re-appointed to serve a second term.

At the forenoon session on the first day, Grand Master S. T. Lanham and Grand Secretary O. Frank Hart of South Carolina were received as distinguished visitors.

The chief feature of the forenoon session was the Grand Master's address. He said that the year had been one of great prosperity; that peace and harmony had prevailed throughout the Grand Jurisdiction; and that the financial condition of Grand Lodge was better than ever before.

The death of Past Grand Master Henry Banks on the 3rd June, 1920, in Atlanta, was the subject of a touching tribute by the Grand Master. This distinguished Mason was born in 1845, at McDonough, Georgia; he entered the Confederate Army as a private when only 16, served through the war, and was promoted to no higher rank than that of orderly sergeant. He had a great career in Masonry. In 1902 he was elected Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Georgia, and was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge in 1909 and 1910. During those years he "broke all records of visitation." At the time of his death he was General Grand Captain of the Host in the General Grand Chapter of the United States.

Grand Master Bass had this to say about Masonic Clubs:—

"In the cities of Atlanta, Columbus, Milledgville, and other places, there are Masonic Clubs doing splendid service; some of them maintain club-rooms where the Masons can gather and meet one another; and thus the real spirit of fellowship is greatly increased. But they are doing a far greater work in the dissemination of Masonic knowledge. Discussions are had, lectures given, and other instructive programmes rendered. I commend most highly the work of each of them and trust that clubs of like character may be organised in other places. Not only do they afford a means of spreading Masonic knowledge and increasing Masonic study, but they are rendering a great service in many cases as the organised means by which the Masons do much work in the interest of civil affairs and humanity."

The Masonic Home was said by the Grand Master to be in splendid condition. The endowment fund had reached a total of \$123,000, but the goal had been set at \$500,000, and he appealed to the Craft to continue their generous contributions. The Georgia Masons are well forward in these matters. There is a Scottish Rite hospital in Atlanta which is doing great work on behalf of crippled children; and at this meeting the project of erecting a Home for aged and infirm Master Masons and their wives and widows was advanced a stage.

Some 200 questions had been submitted for the Grand Master's opinion and decision during the year, and he stated what his rulings had been in a few of them. He was fairly liberal in the matter of physical perfection, though his specimen decision in that regard does not import an advance—"A candidate able to kneel and take the necessary steps, though somewhat crippled and walking with a limp, is not physically disqualified to receive the degrees."

More than 90 visits to the constituent Lodges were made by the Grand Master.

To the Masonic Service Association, in response to a request of the Grand Master, an appropriation of \$3,000 was made for the current year; and a committee was appointed to investigate the aims, rights, and status of the association, "in the light of benefits to this Grand Lodge," so that the Craft might determine whether to continue or withdraw from mem-

bership. As we have pointed out before, the annual contribution expected from each Grand Lodge, based on a 5 cents per capita rate, is a considerable one.

The Grand Master recommended the appointment of a Grand Historian, very forcibly pointing out the necessity for historical records.

The report of the Grand Secretary mentioned 675 Lodges and returns from 660 of them, showing a total membership of 61,555, and a net increase of 6,613 for the year—a truly remarkable growth.

A faint indication of the attitude of the Grand Lodge towards the Order of the Eastern Star is found in the answer to a telegraphic greeting despatched from Conyers, Georgia, in the name of the Grand Matron of that mysterious Order. The answer is rather canny: "Be assured that the Order over which you preside is held in highest esteem by the members of the oldest fraternity for the benefit of human kind."

The following report is decidedly interesting:—

"Your Committee on Correspondence has received a request from the Grand Lodge of Vienna for fraternal recognition. The Grand Lodge was organised December 8, 1918, and comprises 14 Lodges with approximately 1,100 members. In the former Austrian Empire, Masonry was prohibited, and the work had to be performed on Hungarian territory under protection of the Symbolic Grand Lodge of Hungary. The request of the Grand Lodge of Vienna for recognition, dated May 26, 1920, was received by your committee in July. Since that date there has not been sufficient time for the proper investigation, and your committee asks that action upon the request be deferred."

The report was adopted.

The presentation of a Past Grand Master's jewel is an ordinary event in the Grand Lodges of the United States—presentations are on a rather more sumptuous scale in this Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario—and we do not often find it expedient to "drop into poetry:" but we cannot forbear quoting

a pretty set of verses which accompanied the presentation of a jewel to Past Grand Master Robert J. Travis at this Communication. They were written by Miss Annie O'Connor, of Brunswick, who is perhaps a Past Grand Something in the Order of the Eastern Star. At any rate she knows her subject:—

I hold in my hand here a jewel inwrought,
A triumph of skill, ingenuity, thought;
Of delicate workmanship, consummate art,
An entirety made up of many a part;
A gem of first water on background of gold,
And symbols of intricate markings inscrolled.

But not for its substance or lovely design
Or the lustre of gems that insensibility shine
Do we hold it in reverence, deep and profound,
But for meanings far deeper that cluster around.
For not what appeals to the unthinking throng
Determines its value, its influence strong.

For what is an emblem? A visible sign
Of something believed in, of earth or divine;
Of something believed in and lived for and by,
Through fair fame or foul; through low fortune
or high;
A silent reminder—Hope's bridle and spur
Lest courage should falter or constancy err.

Who wears such an emblem? A Master indeed;
Above petty questions of station or creed;
For the Master who thinks not of power or of pelf
Gives ever to all without question, himself;
Gives ever and always as man unto man,
True service, the key to life's intricate plan.

Friend Travis, whose forbear or namesake of old
At bay with his hundred and forty did hold
The ravening legion, the murderous horde,
Till his last man was dead or yet yielded his
sword,
Take this emblem and break not your faith with
its trust
Till its last shining gem has returned to the dust.

And as you wear it consider the strength,
 The infinite breadth and the depth and the length,
 (I'm sorry that in this, our limited world
 Through infinite space everlasting whirled,
 No other dimensions available seem)
 Of our boundless affection, regard, and esteem.

In 1920 we had much to say about Brother Raymond Daniel's reports, and we need not repeat our tribute of that year to their excellence. We have now before us his 5th annual "Review of Sister Jurisdictions," and we quote the opening words:—

"My Beloved Brethren: The predominating features and developments of the Masonic year may be classified as follows: The World-Wide Spirit of Unrest; The Steadfastness of Masonic Loyalty; The Awakening to the Necessity of Education; The Safeguarding of the Subordinate Lodge; The Stupendous Increase in Membership; The Modification of Physical Requirements; The Foreign Masonic Situation, with reference to France, Queensland, and other matters.

"According to previous custom, your Chairman presents herewith a synopsis or summary of the events of the year—not as a topical report, but as an 'introduction,' or 'foreword,' to our 5th annual review of the doings of the several Grand Jurisdictions with which the Grand Lodge of Georgia holds fraternal relations."

On each of these "predominating features" the learned writer discourses with abundant vigour—we wish we could find space for quotations. He rightly gives British Jurisdictions credit for originating modification of physical requirements, which has become general. We wish he would at some convenient date expound the true relationship to Masonry of the Order of the Eastern Star. After his semi-topical foreword, he launches into reviews of the proceedings of 61 Grand Jurisdictions. Canada (1919) is the subject of a most appreciative notice. Much attention is paid to the Report on the Condition of Masonry, the work of Brother W. N. Ponton, now our Grand Master. Its "marvellous logic and practical philosophy" are greatly admired by Raymond Daniel, whom we regard as a highly competent judge. Of Brother Freed, whose retirement from the correspondence field he notes

with regret, he justly says: "Brother Freed during his service has contributed a vast supply of knowledge to the Masonic world."

The proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Georgia for 1921 were received after we had written the above notice of the doings of 1920.

The Communication of 1921 was the 135th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, and was held in the City of Macon on the 25th and 26th October, 1921; Charles L. Bass, Grand Master, presiding. This was the end of his second year of office, and this year was no less prosperous than its predecessor. The address of the Grand Master was an excellent summary of the work done during the year; we find in it nothing likely to be of special interest to our readers; but a touching little drama in which the Grand Master played one of the principal parts, staged on the second day of the proceedings, will interest everybody.

After the Deputy Grand Master, Joe P. Bowdoin, had been declared elected Grand Master and had accepted the gavel, an alarm was given and it was announced that the mother of the retiring Grand Master was without and wished to enter the Lodge-room. The new Grand Master called Grand Lodge from Labour to refreshment and appointed a delegation to escort Mrs. Bass to the Grand East. "The scene which followed," says the record, "was witnessed by the tear-bedimmed eyes of 1,200 men." It was such a scene as our sentimental neighbours love. The flags of the Confederacy and of the United States were borne by veterans of the civil war and of the recent great war, forming part of the group which entered the room. In the centre was "the diminutive figure of the loving mother supported by the devoted son." The party being seated in a semi-circle before the East, one of the Past Grand Masters spoke: "We are enacting here an extraordinary scene, one which few if any of us will live to see again. It is my privilege to present to this Grand body the real mother of Masonry. . . . To womanhood is vouchsafed the power of early in-

fluence, and by magic to wield it in the texture of courts and cabinets, thrones and senates, crowns and kingdoms. This blessed woman now reaching the period of advanced age witnessed the scene of that period of time in which our illustrious and venerated Past Grand Master Taylor struggled to uphold the flag which he now carries, times which tried the souls of men as well as of women, in which our noble mothers had their sons and their husbands and their brothers brought to them lifeless, as did many in the recent great war. Many good women in the sixties parted with their sons never to see them again, for their bones were bleached upon the soil of distant States. This noble woman lost her husband in early married life, so she had the care of her son, whom she reared and gave to us. For the past two years the cause of Masonry has made wonderful strides under his able and loving guidance. If we could have seen the German torpedo as it sped on to its deadly mission and sank the vessel on which Charlie Bass was being transported for service to a foreign field, we might have thought we should never see him again. His mother knew not his peril, but she trusted in Jehovah and with a mother's love prayed for his safety, and thanked Heaven he was brought back to her. He was preserved for high service in the cause of humanity. Right well has he discharged his high trust for two years past, and now we give him back to his good mother, to whom he has given life's most filial devotion, and we desire to pay him tribute as best we can, as he retires from the office he has filled so nobly."

There were other speeches and brief responses by Mrs. Bass and her son. The former said: "You cannot know how happy this makes me to-day. It is the happiest moment in my life. I have known so long how good you have been to Charlie. I love you all and I thank you."

The committee appointed in 1920 to consider the future relations of this Grand Lodge to the Masonic Service Association and to report at this Communication recommended withdrawal from the association.

They gave some weighty reasons, portions of which we must quote, for the matter is of importance:—

“In the consideration of the subject which has been assigned to your committee, we are well aware of the splendid inspiration that influenced the creation of the organisation as a federation among the several Grand Lodges of the United States, whereby in times of public and national peril there may be united action. Such a federation at times may be necessary. Your committee is of the opinion that no such peril exists at the present time. Your committee also recognises the high motives that have guided the association in planning its educational campaign, which provides for the distribution of literature and the dissemination of Masonic knowledge among the various Grand Lodge members. We are of the opinion, however, that the Grand Lodge of Georgia is in a better position to undertake this work for the Grand Jurisdiction of Georgia, better knowing our own situation, our own needs, and our own intentions. Thoroughly realising the ambition of the Masonic Service Association to be of value to the Craft, your committee believe that the Grand Lodge of Georgia can carry on the great principles of uplift of humanity, of service to God and to country, without necessarily requiring the supervision of an organisation national in its scope and character. The Grand Lodge of Georgia last year paid to the Masonic Service Association, on its estimated per capita assessment, of 5 cents per member, the sum of \$1,000. Your committee is of the respectful opinion that in the future it will be far better to apply this amount of expenditure in the relief of distressed though worthy Craftsmen and their dependants.”

“There shall ever be the remembrance of the fraternal spirit and the noble intentions which have dominated the purposes of the Masonic Service Association, but your committee earnestly believe that Georgia Masonry can work out its own destiny and continues its advancement by the consideration of its own problems and by its own plans for their solution. Your committee beg to advise that this view is also held by the Grand Jurisdictions of Colorado, Florida, Kentucky, and Washington, which have seen fit during the year to withdraw from the Masonic Service Association. The Grand Lodges of Illinois and Maine voted not to apply for membership.”

The association has still some powerful adherents, and is intent on working out its destiny.

We have had the pleasure of perusing another set of “Fraternal Reviews of Sister Grand Jurisdictions” from the pen of W. Bro. Raymund Daniel, Grand Cor-

respondent, and a "ready writer." We quote his thoughtful and telling introduction:—

"It has been a full year—a year of conscientious service, of sincere endeavours to investigate and solve the existing problems of the present and meet the developments of the future; with the desire to find the true and lasting Light—to press on despite all difficulties and obstacles and know and hold the fullest Truth and Knowledge.

"The Fraternity, after its passage in the desert of change and readjustment of war conditions, has heard and heeded the same message that God sent to the children of Israel as they had camped upon the edge of the wilderness between Migdol and the Red Sea, to GO FORWARD!

"In the onward march there has been manifest the ideal for the uplift of humanity, the loyal support of country, and the betterment of the Craft.

"For 6 years it has been the privilege of your Correspondent to write the Georgia reviews. The entire period has been one upon which war made its dread impress. In the year that has passed there has come out of the shadows the unrest the light that presages the dawn of a new and better day.

"All deliberations and decisions of Grand Jurisdictions appear to have been attended by the spirit of renewed consecration to the Right, and the faith of the Craft seems to be fixed more than ever on the faith and trust expressed in the Entered Apprentice degree.

"There has been the call for Masonic citizenship, not in a body political, but in the education of the Craftsman as a good and upright citizen through the principles of ideal citizenship that the Fraternity has ever inculcated.

"Freemasonry is learning that after all vows have been affirmed, the sum total of a Mason's obligation is 'To serve my God, my Country, and my Fellowman to the best of my ability.'

"In the endeavours to fulfill his duty and privilege, has been the desire for observance of the Landmarks and traditional customs.

"Foreign developments include the proposed plan of a closer relationship between the English-speaking bodies, which has already been put into effect in the English, Scottish, and Irish constitutions, by treaty; the announcements of the United Grand Lodge of England; the formation of

the United Grand Lodge of Queensland; the complications that have arisen on account of the stand of the French Masonic Bodies as concerning jurisdictional laws of Grand Lodges of the United States and the status of women in Masonry; and problems that have arisen in Mexico, Germany, Italy, and other foreign Jurisdictions.

"Viewing domestic conditions, the increased desire for Masonic Education is one of the most pleasing features of the year. Various Grand Jurisdictions are making or perfecting plans for the future advancement of the Craft and its Craftsmen. The elaborate Educational Service campaign of New York marks a new achievement and is already resultant of great good. Among other Jurisdictions which are leading in educational plans are California, Connecticut, Louisiana, Idaho, North Dakota, Minnesota, and Mississippi.

"In each of these Jurisdictions the most minute care is being given to the consideration of the best means for educating the Master Mason along the highest lines so that he will stand not only as an honour to his Fraternity, but as a blessing to his community, his state, and his nation."

There is much more in the introduction—much discussion of Masonic topics of the day—but we cannot afford more space than we have already occupied. The reviews proper are in every way excellent. Our Grand Lodge (proceedings of 1920) receives very great attention and much commendation. We regard Brother Daniel's work with admiration and respect.

Joe P. Bowdoin, 131 Capital Square, Atlanta,
Grand Master.

Frank F. Baker, Macon, Grand Secretary.

IDAHO.

The proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Idaho at its 54th Annual Communication, held at St. Maries, on the 13th, 14th, and 15th September, 1921, were very interesting. A proposal by the Grand Master of the day that all future meetings of Grand Lodge should be held in Boise, the capital of the State, and the home of the Grand Lodge, in the sense that the records and library and the Grand Secretary's office are there, was negatived upon a report of the Jurisprudence Committee. In 1922 Grand Lodge will meet in Idaho Falls.

Several Special Communications were held during the year. Most of them were for the purpose of constituting new Lodges or dedicating new temples—an indication of the growth of the Order.

At the Annual Communication there were present as distinguished visitors: John Gifford, Grand Master of Washington; H. C. Smeeth, Grand Master of Montana; Ernest M. Hutchinson, Past Grand Master of Montana; and Judge Kenna, Past Grand Master of Washington—all of whom addressed Grand Lodge.

The Grand Secretary read a telegram from the Grand Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star of Idaho sending *fraternal* greetings to the Grand Lodge and saying, "Our Order has appreciated the *support and encouragement* of the Masons of Idaho." In answer a telegram was addressed to the Grand Matron by the Grand Secretary, reading: "Expression of goodwill and co-operation highly appreciated. We pledge our moral support and best efforts to the upbuilding of your noble Order and hope for a continuance of our *happy relations*." What are those "happy relations?" A little later in the proceedings we find this:—

"It having been reported that a committee from the Eastern Star was in waiting, the Grand Master declared the Grand Lodge at ease, and appointed Past Grand Master Francis Jenkins to conduct the ladies into the hall. There then appeared three ladies, each bearing a basket of beautiful flowers, who were in turn introduced to the Grand Lodge. First appeared Sister Ethel Pauley, Worthy Matron of Idaho Chapter No. 49; then Janie Nelson, representing the Past Matrons' Club of St. Maries; and Lucie Eaggan, representing Knights Templar of St. Maries. Pleasing greetings were exchanged, after which the ladies retired. The Grand Lodge was called on and resumed its labours."

The Grand Master granted a dispensation to a Lodge to hold a joint installation with the Order of the Eastern Star in an Oddfellows' hall.

And the Grand Secretary, George E. Knepper, in his Correspondence Report, referring to the remarks of our Grand Master in 1920 anent this mysterious Order, says: "There is no reason to fear the Eastern Star. It is not Masonic and doesn't claim to be, even

if it is made up of mothers, wives, and sisters of Masons. It is a dandy social club and a tower of strength to any well-regulated Masonic Lodge. We know whereof we speak, and we certainly stand by the Eastern Star, first, last, all the time." But why "fraternal" and why "happy relations?" When Grand Lodge is "at ease" and a deputation representing the local municipal authority is introduced, such words are not used. There is something behind all this which good Masons such as Brother Knepper will not admit or perhaps are not told.

Having put the Eastern Star—in which we are deeply interested—in the forefront, we now proceed to a consideration of the masterly address of the presiding Grand Master, Brother I. Edgar Meek.

After a reverent reference to "our dead," among whom was one of the most active workers in Grand Lodge, John D. Bloomfield, Grand Master in 1916, the Most Worshipful said that he had visited 60 of the 72 Lodges in the Jurisdiction, and found nearly all in a prosperous condition and doing a great amount of work. Indeed, there had been a wonderful growth in membership, which to the Grand Master had a peculiar significance, "for," said he, "I verily believe that upon this great Fraternity rests the salvation of democracy. There is no other institution of which I have knowledge that can assimilate the different creeds and differences—none other that so thoroughly teaches the Brotherhood of Man under the Fatherhood of God, and that is true democracy."

Following on this he urged the constituent Lodges to be active in framing and carrying out measures for Masonic education. He recalled the action of Grand Lodge in 1920 in withdrawing from the Masonic Service Association, and recommended reconsideration. He took issue with the report that caused the withdrawal from the association, where it said that fields of Masonic endeavour other than those which were opened by the great war were too vague and indefinite to command respect; and he gave some weighty reasons, as follows:—

"Let us look at the facts. It is understood by all thinking Masons that the great advance in Masonic education

has been started and fostered by this association. No other agency has heretofore accomplished any thing along this line, but now the subject of Masonic education is the slogan in every Grand Jurisdiction in this country.

"This association fostered and backed the idea of the George Washington Memorial. It was in a better position to do this work than any other agency, and because of this association the Washington Memorial will become a reality before the close of this year.

"The service association is taking up now the problem of French Masonry, a matter that has been bothering every Grand Jurisdiction in the country, and when they have completed their studies of the same will submit an unbiassed report thereof to each Grand Jurisdiction, upon which intelligent action can be taken.

"Other studies of equal value are contemplated and the information furnished to the Grand Lodge will be first-hand and the best obtainable. The work of this association is not the work of a day or of a year; we cannot hope to accomplish everything at once. With this attitude I am confident that the Grand Lodge of Idaho will receive benefits from membership in the Masonic Service Association that cannot be estimated in dollars or cents."

After "a full, free, and extended discussion," a motion "that this Grand Lodge rejoin the Masonic Service Association" was adopted.

Recognition of the United Grand Lodge of Queensland was sanctioned.

The net gain in membership for the year was reported to be 1047, and the total membership 8,203.

In the 20th annual report on Foreign Correspondence by Brother George E. Knepper he reviews the proceedings of 62 Grand Jurisdictions in a thoroughly satisfactory way. We have already referred to what he says about our Grand Lodge and the Order of the Eastern Star. In addition, Brother Knepper has written some kind words about the initial attempt of the present reviewer, for which he is grateful.

Telling of the progress of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, he says that it is making an heroic fight

for existence. It was on his recommendation that fraternal relations were established between Idaho and this "plucky Grand Lodge," and his "confidence in it has never been shaken as it passed through various turmoils incident to an existence in the Republic of Mexico."

Fletcher A. Jeter, Boise, Grand Master.

George E. Knepper, Boise, Grand Secretary.

ILLINOIS.

Previous to the opening of Grand Lodge for the annual session of 1921, the Boys and Girls' Band of the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home at La Grange gave a delightful musical entertainment, which was much enjoyed by the members.

This meeting, the 82nd annual, was held in the Oriental Consistory building, Chicago, on the 11th, 12th, and 13th October, and was largely attended and highly successful. Daniel G. Fitzgerrell, Grand Master (elected in 1920 to serve a second year), presided.

Immediately after the opening ceremonies, Brother Alexander Bell delivered a short address by way of tribute to the memory of Brother Isaac Cutter, who had died in the recess. Brother Cutter was chosen Grand Secretary in 1906, and at each succeeding annual meeting was re-elected to that position. He was born at Elmwood, Illinois, on the 20th January, 1854, and died at Blessing Hospital, Quincy, Illinois, on the 15th June, 1921. He had been a public school teacher, a clerk in the railway mail service, and active in all civic matters. His home was at Camp Point. The death of no Mason in the State of Illinois could have been more keenly felt. He was one who had a real affection for his fellow-beings, and in return was loved by a large and ever-widening circle.

Brother Owen Scott, Past Grand Master, filled, by appointment of the Grand Master, the official vacancy from June to October, and was at this meeting elected Grand Secretary for the ensuing year. He

hails from Decatur, and was Grand Master in 1895 and 1896. The executive work of this vast organisation is no easy job for a veteran.

The Grand Master in his address spoke thus of the "American language ;"—

"Petitions have come to me from Lodges formerly working in the German language asking that they might be permitted to resume the use of their mother tongue. Twice the Grand Lodge has passed on this question and answered in no uncertain tone. It does not appear to me that any change in conditions will warrant consideration of this proposal. Few members of these Lodges are confined to the German language. They understand our national tongue and can speak it as well as most of those who are native to our land. We live in America, and all Masons, whether born here or abroad, should be full Americans and speak the American language. In view of this I declined to entertain these petitions."

The Committee on the Grand Master's address approved of this ruling, saying that "the English language is the only language recognised within this Grand Lodge," and the committee's report was adopted by the general body.

"Our Homes" was another subject taken up by the Grand Master. He said that not since their establishment had conditions been better than during the past year. The change in the law providing a separate board of managers for each Home had worked with great satisfaction to all. The Brethren had laboured incessantly and unselfishly for the good of the children at La Grange and the aged and infirm at Sullivan. A bequest of property of approximately the value of \$30,000 had been made to the Home at La Grange by the late Brother John H. Miller of Dayton, Ohio, formerly of Chicago. The money was used for the construction of a hospital in connection with the Home.

The Grand Master's address or report was not a long one, but was excellent in form and substance.

The number of Lodges working under charter is given as 902, and we find in the appendix to the

volume of proceedings a tabular statement showing 19 Lodges under dispensation. The total membership on the 30th June, 1921, was 230,588, and the net gain in a year was 26,535. These figures are enormous.

Brother Leroy A. Goddard, Grand Orator, delivered the annual oration. "Masonic Leadership" was his theme, and the preoration was in these brave words:—

"Civilization has been dealt a terrible blow, and is yet in a restless, unsettled state, more or less at sea, storm-tossed, and in the dark, but we are not lost. We need balance-wheels, and it is incumbent upon the Masonic Fraternity to maintain a leading part in that responsibility. My optimistic faith tells me that in time the consciences of our men and women will awaken to the call of unselfish endeavour and constructive effort, and that the great truths of civilization will prevail because they must prevail. Let us hold tenaciously to that faith which trusts in the fundamental righteousness of our people, and the pendulum of safety and sanity will again swing back to law, to justice, and to loyal citizenship."

Bro. Owen Scott, the new Grand Secretary, in his capacity of State Chairman of the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association, reported that \$71,459.58 had been raised in Illinois, for the building fund of the association, and was in the hands of the Grand Treasurer. From the sums paid and pledged by Grand Lodges, the president of the association, Bro. Louis A. Watres, of Pennsylvania, felt assured that the actual work of construction of the memorial would begin early in 1922. The sum now actually in sight approached \$1,000,000; the objective was \$2,300,000. It was confidently believed by those in charge of the campaign that this sum would be realised.

"Three different firms of architects have gone over the site separately, and unanimously agree on the Colonial style of architecture. This seems fitting, as the great memorial association is to stand on Virginia soil. It is now the purpose of the memorial association to let the contracts as early as possible so that the corner-stone can be laid as soon next spring as weather conditions will permit. It is hoped that the Grand Master of Virginia can secure the President of the United States, Bro. Warren G. Harding, as his proxy to officiate at the ceremonies of laying the corner-stone."

So far as we know, the day has not yet come. Perhaps the "Glorious Fourth" is to be it.

A great deal of business was transacted in the 3 days of the session. For the most part it was strictly business and big business.

The Report of the Committee on Masonic Correspondence was prepared and presented by Past Grand Master Delmar D. Darrah, of Bloomington. He said in his forward that Masonry was now approaching a state which might be looked upon as stable and conservative. Some general remarks are headed "Point of View," and the sub-titles are, "Group Work," "Group Ballotting," "Too many Laws," "Increasing Costs of Homes," "Cipher Rituals," "Taxing Initiates," "Physical Qualifications," "Action of Colorado in Regard to Higher Degrees," "Masonic Service Association," and "Limitation of Work." These subjects are ably treated. It will be remembered that this Grand Lodge of Illinois has not assumed membership in the Masonic Service Association; Brother Darrah's opinion however is rather favourable to the association. He believes that "when doubt as to its advantages and the prejudices of men are laid aside the association will so develop as to give "some real, tangible, direct service to the Craft."

The regular reviews follow these topical discussions. The review of our Grand Lodge's proceedings in 1921, while it faithfully recounts many of the important things done, appears to have been written under a misapprehension as to the nature of the separate reports on the Condition of Masonry and on Fraternal Correspondence. Brother Darrah speaks of "the brochure under review." We do not quite follow him. What document did he actually have before him?

Elmer E. Beach, 111 West Washington Street,
Chicago, Grand Master.

Owen Scott, Decatur, Grand Secretary.

INDIANA.

Richard H. Schweitzer, of Knightstown, Grand Master of Masons of Indiana for 1920-1921, opened Grand Lodge for its Annual Communication in Indianapolis on the 24th May, 1921. This was the 100th annual meeting, held in the 104th year from the birth of Grand Lodge. The sessions extended over two days and a great deal of business was transacted. In his address the Grand Master said that the Masonic Order was founded upon high ideals, and these ideals must be exemplified in our Lodges, if the dignity and character of the Order are to be preserved.

With much feeling the Grand Master spoke of the loss of Calvin W. Prather, Grand Secretary, who died on the 1st August, 1920. "His life," said the Grand Master "was a practical exemplification of the principles and teachings of Masonry, and the influence of his devotion of 50 years to the interests of the Fraternity will be felt until long after all of us have passed into the great beyond." The name of Calvin W. Prather is a household word in all the Jurisdictions of this continent. He was born in 1845, was Grand Master of Indiana in 1880-1882, and Grand Secretary from 1901 to 1920.

Past Grand Master Olin E. Holloway, of Knightstown, took charge of the Grand Secretary's office, under the appointment of the Grand Master, until the 14th September, 1920, when Past Grand Master William H. Swintz, of South Bend, was appointed Grand Secretary and continued to discharge the duties of the office until this meeting of the Grand Lodge, whereat he was elected Grand Secretary for the ensuing year. We have portraits in the volume before us of Grand Master Schweitzer, of his successor, and of Grand Secretary Swintz, but no biographies.

An encouraging report was made as to the Masonic Home in these words of Brother Schweitzer:—

"Within the short span of a few years, our Masonic Home has grown from an inspiration into an accomplishment, the perfection of which, even now, it is difficult for

us to comprehend. In this Home, we have a wonderful and practical exemplification of the principles of our Order, and a demonstration of the practical application of our obligations. We have provided adequately and generously for our aged Brethren and their widows, and are caring for the spiritual and mental as well as the physical development of our children. Through the generosity of our membership, we have been able to provide every comfort and even many luxuries for those who live in the Home. And it would be difficult to find a more contented and satisfied group of aged people, or a family of happier or healthier children, than will be found in our Home."

On the 14th September, 1920, the Grand Master issued a dispensation to organise a new Lodge in Indianapolis to be known as "Calvin W. Prather Lodge"—a fitting tribute to a great Mason.

The address of the Grand Master was eminently practical; he detailed and described in vivid language the many important events and transactions of the year and made vigorous comments.

The number of active constituent Lodges is not stated. A year ago we found it to be 567. During the year 1920 the charters of some were revoked, and charters were granted to new Lodges. There are two Lodges under dispensation, the one we have mentioned, and Roosevelt Lodge at Gary. The total membership on the 31st December, 1920, was 108,021, and the net increase for the year 9,851—a phenomenal growth.

What was truly termed a munificent gift was made by Scottish Rite Masons—a complete building consecrated to the memory of the soldiers and sailors who served in the world-war. The building is a part of the Masonic Home at Franklin. It is complete in construction, thoroughly and properly equipped, "elegantly" furnished, and absolutely free from debt. It was presented to and gratefully accepted by Grand Lodge at this Communicataion.

The Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Home submitted a report, from which we take two paragraphs:—

"To-day, for the first time since the opening of the Home, we are without a waiting list of aged members. With the completion and equipping of the new building, we were able to call in all of those who had been accepted, and we have in reserve 20 rooms to care for future applicants."

"From year to year, the erection of new buildings must be continued, meeting, as best we can, the most urgent needs as they present themselves, until we reach the point where our capacity will take care of the normal demands upon us."

The chairman of the Board is Dr. Olin E. Holloway, Past Grand Master, already mentioned. His fellow-members of the Board presented what they humorously termed "a minority report," in which they extolled Brother Holloway's efforts on behalf of the Home; and, referring to a new school-building soon to be erected upon the grounds of the Home, recommended that it should be designated and known as "Holloway Hall." This, says the record, was "vociferously adopted".

Official recognition of the Grand Lodge of the Republic of Panama as the sovereign Grand Lodge of that country was accorded at this Communication.

The annual Grand Lodge dinner was enjoyed on the evening of the first day of meeting. The business of the day had been of large volume, and *desipere in loco* was quite in order. We read that "during the meal a company of young ladies from Knightstown, the home of the Grand Master, appeared in cabaret stunts and favoured the Grand Lodge members with music of a high order. Their entertainment was nvoel and was enthusiastically received." We are not surprised, but we do not know what may be said on the other side of the world—in New South Wales, for instance.

The Annual Review of the Proceedings of Grand Lodges of America and Foreign Jurisdictions is prefaced by a portrait of Elmer F. Gay, the writer of the review, who was Grand Master in 1912-13. This was his 8th annual production. In his portrait he looks young—not more than 40, one would say—but he must be older. At any rate he has wisdom and strength,

and, as we now find, beauty. Fifty-five Jurisdictions are noticed, among which is Canada (in Ontario), 1920—a very pleasant account of our proceedings is rendered. In 1920 we made two mistakes in regard to Indiana, but we corrected them a year ago.

Omar B. Smith, Rochester, Grand Master.

William H. Swintz, Masonic Temple, Indianapolis, Grand Secretary.

IOWA.

Jessie Alden West, Grand Master of Masons of Iowa, 1920-1921, was born in the State in 1872, and now lives in Des Moines, where he practises as a dental surgeon, specialising in dental radiology. He is deeply interested in Masonry. His portrait, and the words of his address, as well as those of his intimate biographer, Brother J. M. Graham, of Des Moines, testify to intellectual qualities and Masonic virtues of a high order.

The volume of Iowa proceedings for 1921 is, as usual, a large one, and the difficulty (which we have felt before) in compressing what we should like to tell about them into the small space at our disposal is again manifest.

The 78th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Iowa was held in Waterloo on the 14th and 15th June, 1921.

In his address Grand Master West said that in the course of his year of office he had issued 7 dispensations for new Lodges and refused one.

Speaking of the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association, he said:—

“It is very gratifying to know that all the Grand Jurisdictions, save 4, are now members, and no doubt by the next annual meeting they will be able to report a 100 per cent. membership. The laudable purposes of this association had steadily grown in favour until at this meeting ample funds had been pledged to warrant giving the committee on plans

instruction to proceed with their work. Our State Chairman, Past Grand Master Westfall, was able to report satisfactory progress in securing pledges to this fund. If any Lodge has not contributed the small amount suggested, let me urge that it do so at once."

In reference to societies professedly not Masonic, we have been puzzled to know what is meant by "recognition"—which is perhaps a misused word. We meet with the word again in Brother West's address, in reference plainly to the Royal Arch and Scottish Rite bodies. If the kind of "recognition" which is obviously accorded to those bodies in Iowa be the "recognition" which is given by other Grand Lodges to the Order of the Eastern Star—and which, it seems, may be withdrawn, after being given—we may have stumbled upon something illuminating. The Grand Master recommended the preparation of a new section of the Masonic Code of Iowa "providing for the prohibiting of the soliciting of Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft, or Master Mason, for the so-called higher degree of Masonry until after he has passed his examination in the Third Degree, and that it shall be unmasonic for any Master Mason to petition any body which requires the petitioner to be a Master Mason, before he has passed his examination in the Third Degree; also that the Grand Master be given the power to withdraw *recognition* from any body heretofore given *recognition* if such body fail to enact and enforce provisions made for the enforcement of the above recommendation."

We observe, however, that the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence reporting on this recommendation, while approving of the first part, did not go the length of advising the adoption of a penal clause. The second part of the Grand Master's proposal, viz., that recognition of any body which fails to enforce the first clause be withdrawn, is that about which we are concerned, and the committee evidently did not approve of it; yet the amendment which they framed, and which was adopted by Grand Lodge, fully bears out the "recognition," doctrine:—

"It shall be unmasonic for any Master Mason to solicit any Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft, or Master Mason, to petition for the degrees in any of the bodies *recognised* in

this Grand Jurisdiction, and as set out and enumerated in section 425 of the Code, until after he has passed his examination in the third degree; and it shall be unmasonic for any Master Mason to petition any body which requires the petitioner to be a Master Mason, before he has passed his examination and has been found proficient in the third degree."

In Iowa, the domicile of origin, the Masonic Service Association of the United States is necessarily in the forefront. The Grand Master said:—

"Iowa has been wholly committed to the plan of education as outlined by this association, and our Research Committee has been trying to carry out the work of the association, by arranging for speakers to deliver addresses in centres easy of access. . . . The demand for this work has been great, and with enlarged plans for the future some changes are necessary. One of the brightest spots on the Masonic horizon is the record of accomplishment of the Masonic Service Association. It has taken two years for the scope of its programme of education to become clearly defined. But, as pamphlet follows pamphlet and bulletin succeeds bulletin, it is evident that the association is functioning, and in a way to command not only our respect but our enthusiasm."

Newton Ray Parvin presented his 20th report as Grand Secretary, appropriately headed by two mottos—"Labor omnia vincit" and "Whatever concerns the welfare of the human race is also the concern of Masonry." The business transactions of this Grand Lodge are enormous, and much work or "labor" was given to them by the Grand Secretary, Assistant Grand Secretary, and their staff.

There are 541 Lodges in the Jurisdiction, with a total membership on the 1st January, 1921, of 73,535, and a net gain for 1920 of 6,189.

The Grand Lodge Library is a large affair. The Grand Secretary is also Grand Librarian; he reported an increase in the requests for loans of books—more than 1,300 volumes had been sent out. The Library has a close connection with the educational programme of Grand Lodge.

There are many more subjects treated in the proceedings which we should like to mention did space

permit; but we must hasten on to the Report on Fraternal Correspondence by Louis Block, Past Grand Master, who is an able and forceful writer on Masonic matters. Indeed Iowa Masonry can boast of many such. The subject of Brother Block's foreword is "The Finality of the Masonic Institution". We quote a few words:—

"There is a great hunger in the souls of men to-day—a lack and a want that neither food, clothes, nor shelter can fill. If Masonry is to save herself it must be by trying to satisfy this want. To succeed it must be done systematically. Haphazard work always has failed, and always will fail. The only salvation that really saves is systematic salvation. The only way to rescue and revive the ritual and restore it to the Brethren is by a systematic scheme for educating them in the things for which it stands. Masons must be made to know that the ritual is no mere magic sing-song of empty words, but is the stern story of the struggle and travail of a human soul striving to attain the light—that 'Light that never was on land or sea.'"

The foreword precedes the reviews, which are printed in the usual alphabetical order, beginning with Alabama. Canada is soon reached; we are back in 1920 and listening to the words of Grand Master Harcourt in his never-to-be-forgotten address at Niagara Falls. Brother Block calls it a splendid effort; but, following the trail of other correspondence writers, fails to see the difference between the Salvation Army and other religious bodies in the matter of attendance upon divine worship. Nor does Brother Harcourt see the difference. His remarks have been misapprehended, as we have explained elsewhere.

"The Prospect for Masonic Unity" is the subject of Brother Block's afterword. His discourse naturally turns upon the Masonic Service Association, of which he says that 35 of the 49 Grand Lodges of the United States have become members. He is quite eloquent upon the subject. Hear him:—

"Born of a desire not to govern, but to co-operate, not to rule, but to serve,—born of a determined resolution on the part of earnest, devoted, self-sacrificing men, that the Masonic forces of our country shall no longer work separate and apart,—at cross purposes,—but together side by side, for the good they can do in the world,—the association is

now functioning harmoniously, efficiently, and economically. It is standing staunchly for the doctrine of universality in Masonry as opposed to that of insularity. It is placing positive emphasis upon the great similarities, the mighty unities, the majestic harmonies that characterise the principles promulgated by the Craft, and not upon those petty differences and diversities that tend, if not ignored and suppressed, to breed discord, disunion, and disaster. Its watchword is 'Fraternity and Union, now and forever, one and inseparable'."

After spending some hours in the perusal of this Iowa volume of 1921, we cannot refrain from expressing our gratitude for the good paper, good print, careful arrangement, and excellent indexing, which have helped to make the perusal a delight as well as a duty.

Amos Norris Alberson, Washington, Grand Master.

Newton Ray Parvin, Cedar Rapids, Grand Secretary.

IRELAND.

We are a little in arrear with our reports of the Grand Lodge of Ireland. In 1920 we noticed the report of 1919; in 1921 we had nothing; and now in 1922 we have the report of 1920, published in 1921. The report consists of two parts: (1) the address of the Deputy Grand Master delivered at the Stated Communication of Grand Lodge, held in Dublin on St. John's Day, 27th December, 1920; and (2) the report of the Deputy Grand Secretary. These two officers are the executive of the Grand Lodge. The Grand Master, the Grand Wardens, Grand Treasurer, and Grand Secretary, are usually noblemen or baronets, and their duties are not onerous—they may be regarded as dignitaries.

Colonel Claude Cane, the Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, in referring to the death of Brother H. E. Flavelle, who had been Deputy Grand Secretary for many years, said that it was largely, if not entirely, due to his work during the last 23 years

that the Grand Lodge of Ireland had kept its high place amongst the Grand Lodges of the World, "because the Deputy Grand Secretary is, after all, the man upon whom the lion's share of the work of Grand Lodge and of the whole Masonic Craft in Ireland falls."

The death of Brother Flavelle and the retirement of Sir Charles Cameron, C.B., at the age of 90, from the office of Deputy Grand Master, occurred in the same year, 1920, and deaths and resignations of other distinguished Brethren were so abnormally numerous that the new Deputy Grand Master was justified in saying that no one living could remember a year in which Grand Lodge had been so heavily visited.

Compared with Sir Charles Cameron, Colonel Cane is a young man. He admits that he is 62, and says that Sir Charles was initiated into Masonry one year before his successor was born. Sir Charles was Deputy Grand Master for 10 years. A resolution expressing the appreciation of his services by Grand Lodge was passed by acclamation.

The condition of Ireland is unsettled, worse than unsettled, but still Masonry prospers. Read what the Deputy Grand Master says about it:—

"I think, speaking generally and as a whole about Masonry in Ireland during the past year, that we, the Grand Lodge, and the whole Fraternity in Ireland, may congratulate ourselves. Never was Masonry in Ireland in a more flourishing condition than it is at present. There were no less than 19 new Lodges constituted during the past year, and this coming upon 20 the previous year, and 18, I think, the year before that, shows you what a strong growth the plant of Masonry has in the soil of Ireland. And if we expect the great Provincial Grand Lodges in the North of Ireland—we do not wonder at their increasing membership (we look upon it as a matter of course)—the way Masonry has more than held its own in Dublin and in the South and West, despite everything it has had to contend with, is something extraordinary, and leads one to be very hopeful of the future of the Craft in this country. Besides the number of new Lodges that have been constituted, I believe that actual membership of existing Lodges has increased to a very large extent."

There is nothing more definite than this—no summary showing the number of Lodges, the total membership, and the net gain—but there are in the back of the little book, containing the report, some financial statistics which show great sums of money received and expended, largely in the support of Masonic Charities.

We learn that the Masons of Ireland intend to enlarge Freemason's Hall, Dublin, where Grand Lodge met in December, 1920. Meetings of Grand Lodge are also to be held from time to time in Belfast. The new Deputy Grand Secretary is Brother Henry C. Shellard, who had been assistant to his predecessor for 23 years. He was spoken of by the Deputy Grand Master in terms of high praise. His report is a good business document.

The Earl of Donoughmore, Grand Master.

Henry C. Shellard, Freemasons' Hall, Molesworth Street, Dublin, Deputy Grand Secretary.

KANSAS.

In 1920 there was abundant prosperity; and the Masons of Kansas shared in it to a remarkable extent. When the Grand Lodge met in February, 1921, the report was that there were 423 Lodges, with a total membership of 62,992, and a net gain of 7,420. The Grand Master's remark that the numerical strength showed "a healthy condition from that standpoint" seemed scarcely adequate.

The Annual Communication of 1921 was the 65th, and was held in Wichita on the 16th and 17th February.

The volume of printed proceedings contains a biographical sketch of Hugh P. Farrelly, the eminent Craftsman who presided as Grand Master on this occasion. He is no exception to the rule that Grand Masters are born and brought up on farms. His father's farm was in Green county, Illinois, and there he was born in 1858. He graduated from the farm into the teaching profession (also *selon la regle*) and

thence to the law school. In 1885 he was admitted to the Illinois bar; and in 1887 he moved to Chanute, Kansas, where he has since lived and practised law with great success. He has been a State Senator, and has a splendid Masonic record.

It is not surprising that the address to the assembled Brethren at this Communication was eloquent and inspiring. It was practical as well, and contained much excellent advice to the constituent Lodges.

For instance, it was said that the "Monitor" compiled by the late William M. Shaver, P.G.M., was no doubt the most complete book of this character ever published, and should be in the hands of every member of the Craft. "To Masons it should be next to the Bible, from which most of the text is taken." It appears that 170 Lodges in Kansas observe the practice of presenting a copy of the Monitor to each of its members upon his attaining to the Master Mason's degree, and the Grand Master recommended all the Lodges to adopt it. At initiation in Kansas each Brother is presented with an apron; and in our Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario he is given a copy of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge and a copy of the by-laws of his private Lodge. These things are good, but the Monitor is better. Too often when the Master Mason's degree is reached, the member thinks that his Masonic education is complete. It has in reality scarcely been begun. If the "Shaver Monitor" contains, as we suppose, instruction in the history, the true meaning, and the aims of Masonry, as well as its rites and ceremonies, it will be of inestimable benefit to those who read it. We wonder how many will read and profit by it. In these days not so much reading is done as when books were harder to get.

It seems to Grand Master Farrelly that during the generations of the recent past, there had been such changes in the world's progress and in the occupations of man that the reasons for the original rule of excluding all maimed petitioners no longer existed. He was bound by the present regulations and had no right to grant a dispensation for the re-

ception of a maimed candidate, as he had been asked many times to do. This was his striking appeal:—

“I invoke your earnest and thoughtful consideration of this subject, and recommend, if the Committee on Jurisprudence finds it may be done without violence to our Landmarks, and within the powers of the Grand Lodge, that a discretionary power be lodged somewhere, by the enactment of a law, to the end that men possessing noble hearts and souls of courage, anxious to serve their fellows, may be permitted to embrace Freemasonry, notwithstanding some physical defect.”

This, among other matters, was referred to a special committee on Masonic Usages and Customs, which reported as follows:—

“After thoughtful deliberation, your committee is of the opinion that any positive legislation by this Grand Lodge upon the subject would be unwise. Our Constitution provides that a candidate for the Mysteries shall be ‘without bodily defect, without physical disability.’ The ancient records of Freemasonry state that a candidate must be without blemish, must have the full and proper use of his limbs. In the interpretation of these qualifications, the Charges of 1722 recite that a perfect youth is one who has no maim or defect in his body that may render him incapable of serving his master and of being made a Brother, and this language was quoted by Grand Master Peters in a decision in 1906. Your committee believes that any attempt to particularise what defects of body would render one incapable of serving his master and of being made a Brother would result only in confusion, disagreement, and controversy, while, on the other hand, the local Lodge, or the Grand Master, to whom any given case may be submitted, would be in a far better position to determine whether the particular circumstances of the case would cause an applicant to be excluded. It would seem that a fair and intelligent spirit, applied with a sincere devotion to the best interests of Masonry, would protect the Lodge and conserve the true principles of Masonry, and at the same time would meet the circumstances of any particular case with justice, reason, and practical sense. We recommend that this deliverance be made a Standing Regulation of this Grand Lodge.”

But is it not a rather vague “Standing Regulation?”

The Masonic Home in Wichita houses men, women, and children. A disastrous fire occurred in 1916.

More than \$250,000 was required for the rebuilding; and at this Communication it was announced by the Grand Master that every Lodge in the Jurisdiction had paid its full quota of the cost. And, the Home being rebuilt, and an endowment fund having been started, at this meeting provision was made for collecting from every new Master Mason at his raising a fee of \$5 to be paid into the fund.

There is much more in the address, but we have mentioned the most striking things. The Committee on Reports of Grand Officers pronounced it to be "one of the most complete, satisfactory, and able documents ever contributed to the literature of this Grand Lodge, and one for which we bespeak a place among the classics of Masonry."

Brother Clarence E. Pile, of Parsons Lodge, Parsons, was the orator at this Communication. His subject was, "Some Specific Elements of our Masonic Life, Faith, and History." It was an eloquent outpouring, which must have held the Brethren spellbound as they hearkened to it.

In the report of the Committee on Lodges we find this truly remarkable statement:—

"There are in Kansas 62,992 Master Masons whose names were probably the same last year as this, and yet, according to reports, some 375 changed their given names; about 145 changed the spelling of their surnames; and two Brethren entirely changed the latter. One of these made the change, through court proceedings, the other by switching given and surnames, and in each case no word of explanation came with the reports".

Grand Secretary Albert K. Wilson again presents the Report on Correspondence, an excellent series of short reviews. Canada (1920) is the subject of one of them. Brother Wilson discriminates wisely in his selection of a few matters where he cannot command space to refer to all that might be worthy of mention.

We are fortunate in having now before us the Kansas proceedings for 1922—the most up-to-date production of those received in time to be included in

this report. We looked for something about Mexican Masonry, thinking that events might have occurred in Mexico of which Kansas had been informed. After a diligent search we found nothing later than a notice of the proceedings of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico in 1920. The search would have been easier had there been an index at the end of the printed proceedings. We are told that the Kansas custom is to treat the proceedings of one year as only one third part of a volume; when the volume is completed by the publication of three annual parts, an index is prepared and published with part 3. This plan may have its advantages—they do not occur to us—but when you have only part 1 and wish to find something in it you cannot wait two years for part 3, but must do your best without an index.

The 66th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Kansas was held in Representative Hall, State Capitol, Topeka, on the 15th and 16th February, 1922, and was well-attended, 327 of the 423 Lodges being represented. Grand Master Ben S. Paulen, of Fredonia, presided and delivered a short and business-like address, which affords no matter for quotation or comment.

The membership of the 423 constituent Lodges on the 31st December, 1921, was 69,150. The net gain for the year 1921 was a large one—6,158—but not so large as that of the preceding year. In most Grand Lodges the peak was reached in 1920.

The annual oration was delivered by W. Bro. Robert P. McCulloch, of Manhattan, Kansas. His subject was "The Purpose, the Programme, and the Challenge of Masonry to every True Man." The discourse is printed in full, and is a distinct contribution to Masonic Literature by a thoughtful and well-learned Mason.

Among the notable dead of the year mentioned in the report of the Committee on Necrology were: Dr. F. S. Blayney, Grand Chaplain, and Maurice Lewis Stone, who was born in 1843 and was Grand Master of Masons in Kansas in 1898.

In Kansas, a foreign Grand Lodge is not recognised unless it has exclusive jurisdiction over the territory in which its constituents are situated. This condition being fulfilled in the cases of the United Grand Lodge of Queensland and the Grand Lodge of Ecuador, recognition was accorded to both. The Grand Lodge of Ecuador, it was said in a special report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, "recognises and proclaims the existence of God and the immortality of the soul, and the Landmarks, Antient Charges, and Regulations of the Fraternity."

Grand Secretary Albert K. Wilson is, in his character of Committee on Correspondence, reviewer of the proceedings of other Grand Jurisdictions. Writing of Canada (in Ontario), 1921, he gives a good account of the proceedings in Ottawa of that year, and quotes parts of Grand Master Harcourt's address. We are interested in Brother Wilson's opinions, which are strongly expressed in an introduction to his reviews. He says that "the question of physical perfection is still uppermost in the minds of the members of most of the Grand Lodges, and it seems to be a sweet morsel to many Grand Masters. We still maintain that this question is one which should never be raised in any Grand Lodge of Symbolic Masonry. It is one of the Landmarks and enters into the Antient Charges and Regulations, which to the thinking Mason must be sacred. In reading the various excuses offered by some of the Grand Masters in justification of their actions on this subject, one cannot help but think that they have never been students of Freemasonry, but are applying the progressive spirit of the day, to which is attached the so-called war sentiment."

Not less strong, but, to our thinking, more reasonable, are his views upon another question. We quote:—

"We notice that in some Grand Lodges consideration has been given to outside organisations, some of which make that of being a Master Mason a prerequisite to membership, while others cannot do so because of the age of the members; and in other instances legislation is introduced calling upon some of the so-called co-ordinate bodies to make provisions in their laws to the effect that no Master Mason can petition for membership in other bodies until he has

been a Master Mason at least one year: further than that, a few Grand Lodges have gone so far as to make it a Masonic offence for any member to petition one of these 'outside' organisations before he has been a Master Mason at least one year.

"In the first place, Symbolic Masonry never had admitted of their being any Fraternity other than that of Ancient Craft Masonry, and any attempt on the part of the Grand Lodge to introduce into its deliberations subjects dealing with outside organisations is an admission that there is Freemasonry outside of the first three degrees, known as Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft, and Master Mason. The right of any Grand Lodge to provide a penalty for one of its members who joins an outside organisation might be questioned, as we do not believe it is within the power of any Grand Lodge to make it an offence for a Brother to join some other organisation, so long as in so doing he does not become a member of a society which is inimical to the good name and reputation of Symbolic Masonry."

John McCullagh, Galena, Grand Master.

Albert K. Wilson, Topeka, Grand Secretary.

KENTUCKY.

The volume of proceedings is a very large one—but the proceedings are those of 1920. A good deal has happened since the 19th October in that year, when the 120th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky was opened by Henry Skiles McElroy, of Lebanon, Grand Master. In his portrait he is represented as a young man, and in a brief accompanying biography we are told that he was born in 1873. A native Kentuckian, he was educated in that State, and practises at its Bar. An immense amount of voluntary work of a public kind has been done by Brother McElroy, and he is a powerful influence for good in the community. Taking Masonry seriously, he has given much of his time and talent to the prosecution of the noble movement "to raise the money for our little children and widows to occupy the Million-Dollar Home."

The address delivered by Grand Master McElroy at this Communication was characterised by modesty—he spoke not of what he had himself achieved but

gave the credit to others. We make a few extracts from a very fine address:—

“The Masonic Widows and Orphans’ Home in Second street, in Louisville, now sheltering nearly 400 widows and orphans, is the very heart of Kentucky Masonry.”

“We are sufficiently near our goal of \$1,000,000 to begin thinking seriously and cautiously of our plans for the new Home. About one-half of the Masons of Kentucky have generously responded to the call in our Million-Dollar Drive, and I can but believe that the remaining half will be willing to do their part. In the erection of this new Home, we must bear in mind that we should not only build to meet the needs of to-day, but also the demands of the future. This Home should be erected upon a site where there will at all times be sufficient room for enlargement, and where there will be ample room for recreation for the ever-increasing number of girls and boys coming to it for shelter.”

“And as I have gone up and down the State, looked the Masons of Kentucky in the face and appealed to them in behalf of the new Home for the widows and orphans of our dead Brothers and noted their generous response, I have had my faith strengthened in my fellowman. I have come to know that in the heart of the Kentucky Mason, ‘Knighthood is yet in flower’. I have come to realise more fully that noble sentiment and high ideals still abide in the hearts of men, and that no great cause will be in need of a leader or fail for want of followers as long as the tenets of our Order leave their impress upon Kentucky Masons’ hearts.

“As I am about to surrender the gavel as Grand Master of 60,000 Masons in this State, may I not remind you that this is a day of great responsibility and at the same time a day of rare privilege? It is a day big with opportunity for service to our fellowman.

“The call of duty is loud and clear and the pathway our feet should tread is clearly marked.

“May we all, as Masons and men of Kentucky, heed that call and walk that path. Let there be no slackers in our ranks.”

The Grand Secretary’s statistics (October 1920): 600 Lodges; 60,021 members; apparent gain, 6,839.

Brother Thomas R. Marshall, then Vice-President of the United States, was present as a visitor and addressed Grand Lodge, bringing fraternal greetings from Indiana to Kentucky. “There are no great

men", he said, "except men who have good purposes and kind hearts. . . . The trouble with civil government is this: that it starts and ends with the French model, Liberty, Fraternity, Equality. That is what ails civil government. This is why there is always stress and strife and tumult unending in the affairs of men. If they would reverse it, as we reverse it in the Masonic Order, if Equality were the first requirement of civil government, and then Fraternity, we need not bother about our liberties. So when I say to you I hope for much for my country from the Masonic Order, I mean it. I mean that more and more, as the men of America shall gather around the altars of Masonry and shall understand that the first requirement of brotherhood is Equality, not equality of brains nor education nor mere station in life, but equality of sentiment and hope and desire for the good of the world, more surely shall we lead on in the world's fight. And it is only as we come thus, recognising our equality, our equality of responsibility to God and our equality of duty to our fellowman, our equality in the United States for service and sacrifice, my Brethren, that we rise to the high height of a Freemason, and the high height of a Freemason is the supreme test of an American citizen."

The sessions lasted for 3 days and were full of business, interspersed with oratory.

The report of the Committee on "Proceedings of Grand Lodges"—a better name than "Foreign Correspondence"—was prepared and presented by William W. Clarke, of Owensboro, P.G.M. "Canada" is one of the 51 Jurisdictions noticed—it is our Grand Lodge in 1919. Brother Clarke not only expresses fraternal good feeling for the Masons of Ontario, but hopes for a closer bond of union with the British Empire.

We admire the "Conclusion" of the learned reviewer:—

"The proceedings of Grand Lodges for the year past offer little for the reviewer's comment. Some after-war legislation has been found necessary to meet new conditions

arising out of the war, or to correct legislation, in its nature of temporary character, enacted during the war—a happy illustration of the adaptability of the Order to all conditions.

“The outstanding item of interest, of the character first referred to, is the Masonic Service Association—the League of Grand Lodges, having, as stated, its genesis in the war, and, we fear, in sinister discrimination against the Order during the war.

“Most of the Grand Lodges of the United States have approved its aims and purposes, and have ratified its Constitution. A few have refused to approve it, and deny both its necessity and its efficiency, affecting to believe that it is a ‘smoke-screen’ concealing the lurking, hideous form of a General Grand Lodge. This argument will be readily recognised as the same as that emanating from certain quarters against the League of Nations, and, *mutatis mutandis*, urged against the Masonic Service Association of the United States; and with the same degree of truth—just about.

“Our fraternal salutations to those who labour with us in the same field of Masonic endeavour.”

Fred Acker, Paducah, Grand Master.

Dave Jackson, Louisville, Grand Secretary.

LOUISIANA.

Meeting in February of each year, the Grand Lodge of Louisiana has before it the work of the previous year for consideration. In 1920 we told of the proceedings at the meeting of that year, but last year Louisiana’s record was not before us. Now we have the belated printed proceedings of the 110th Annual Grand Communication, held in New Orleans on the 14th, 15th, and 16th February, 1921—a large volume.

It is interesting to note that the date of the opening of Grand Lodge was postponed from the first to the second Monday in February, on account of the crowded condition of New Orleans owing to the Mardi Gras celebration.

The two ‘outstanding’ features of the year 1920 in Louisiana Blue Masonry were remarkable progress and a sad loss.

As to prosperity the Grand Master said that the year 1920 showed the greatest gain numerically and financially of any year in the history of the Grand Lodge. The net increase in membership, according to the Grand Secretary's figures, was 2,951, the total number of members on the roll being 25,959. There were, at the end of 1920, 239 chartered Lodges and 13 under dispensation. The formation of several more Lodges is also in sight.

The great loss sustained by Grand Lodge was in the deaths of Past Grand Master John Stanley Thibaut and Grand Chaplain Herman Cope Duncan.

The former was Grand Master during the year 1911 and was re-elected for 1912, "on account", says the Grand Master, "of the pending centennial celebration of our organisation in June of that year, Thibaut's great-grandfather, Pierre Francois Du Bourg, having been the first Grand Master at the organisation of this Grand Lodge in 1812." M. W. Brother Thibaut was a native and lifelong resident of Donaldsonville. He was born in 1860, became a physician, and was one of the leading practitioners in Donaldsonville until in 1896 he organised the Bank of Ascension in that city and was made its first cashier. He held that office until his death in February, 1920, and built up the bank into a strong financial institution. In Masonry he was a tower of strength and was greatly beloved.

Herman Cope Duncan was a clergyman of the American Episcopal Church, who had served Grand Lodge as Grand Chaplain for 40 years and as Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence for 27 years—a wonderful career of continuous service. We are not told the date of his birth, but we learn that he was made a Mason in 1868, in Philadelphia, and we may conclude that he had reached an advanced age when he was called away in December, 1920. He had been for 35 years in charge of a church in Alexandria; but had, on account of ill-health, retired from the incumbency some years before his death. He was an excellent reviewer, writing always in a vigorous and convincing style. We are familiar with his work, and know that he occupied a high

place at the invisible round table of foreign correspondence scribes.

The Grand Master to whom we have referred, and who presided at this 110th Annual Communication, was M. W. Brother Wynne G. Rogers. In his very able address he said that the need of the hour was "Education—American Education—Masonic Education, synonymous and interchangeable terms." He feared that the admission of new members in such large numbers meant that their Masonic instruction would not be well-attended to, and he proposed that a Committee of not less than 5 of the ablest Masons in the Grand Lodge be appointed and known as the Committee on Education, with instructions to compile a "Monitor-Handbook," to contain "all the necessary monitorial instruction, and in addition a broad range of useful information for the newly-made Master Mason." This compilation, it was intended, should be printed and sent out to the Lodges so that a copy of it might be given to every Master Mason at his raising. This seems to be an excellent suggestion, and we are glad to find that it was adopted by Grand Lodge.

Speaking of the Masonic Service Association, the Grand Master said that he had not attended the third annual session at St. Louis in November, 1920; but this Grand Lodge had been ably represented, and he now felt it his duty to commend the work of this "valuable adjunct of the Masonic arm, presenting as it does a convenient medium for concerted action without having any of the undesirable features of a general legislative body. From reliable information, it was learned that within a very short while all the Grand Jurisdictions of the United States would become members." Nevertheless, we know that some who at first became members afterwards withdrew.

A little more light is thrown on the status of the Order of the Eastern Star by the Grand Master's recorded refusal to permit a Lodge in the Jurisdiction to hold a joint installation of officers with a Chapter of the Eastern Star.

In regard to the matter of physical perfection the Grand Master was adamant in his rulings, founding himself apparently strictly on the Constitution and not choosing to interpret it with an easy liberality. He reported a great many decisions as to physical defects, perhaps the most liberal was, that a candidate having his right leg a quarter of an inch shorter than the left was eligible for the degrees of Masonry, provided that the physical defect would not prevent him from going through all parts of the ceremonies. A candidate who had lost the forefinger of his right hand was ruled out, and so was one whose right knee was so stiff that he could not kneel. In the case of a candidate who, it was said, could not raise his hands above his head, the ruling was that a committee of the Lodge would be entirely within their rights in testing the candidate in order to ascertain whether he was physically qualified; and, if investigation showed that he could not lift his hands as high as the top of his head, he would be ineligible for membership. In an entirely different kind of case, the ruling was that when the widow of a Master Mason marries a profane she forfeits her rights to aid and assistance from the Fraternity. This ruling was approved by Grand Lodge, in spite of what appears to us a well-reasoned report to the contrary by the Committee on Jurisprudence. The rulings as to physical perfection were approved, the Committee thus epitomising the Masonic law on the subject: "The candidate must be able to comply with all of our requirements for initiation as to body, limbs, feet, and hands."

The project for the erection of a new Masonic Temple in New Orleans—a building which shall belong to the Grand Lodge of Louisiana and hence to all the Masons of Louisiana—is taking shape. The erection is to be upon grounds adjoining the site of the present temple—"a spot about which so many hallowed memories cling," said the Grand Master. The building to be 19 storeys high. It may be significant that some provision is to be made for Chapters of the Order of the Eastern Star meeting in the building.

"Masonry as a Philosophy of Practical Morality" was the title of a deliverance of Brother Mendel

Silber, special Orator of the occasion. His well-sustained thesis was that the flower and fruit of Masonic tradition and teaching must be sought in practical morality.

The following resolution of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was unanimously adopted:—

“Whereas the Grand Orient of France has in operation one Lodge in the City of New York and one in San Francisco, California, the existence of which was not brought to the notice of this Grand Lodge when fraternal relations were resumed at the session of 1918.

“And whereas the Grand Orient of France has refused to recall the charters of these Lodges, basing its right to maintain them upon article 45 of their Constitution, which disclaims any right or intention to constitute Lodges in Foreign Jurisdictions where a regular Masonic power exists and with which it is in fraternal relations; while at the same time and in the same article they deny the right to any Masonic power to invade their territory in France or French Dependencies.

“And whereas our present relations with the Grand Orient of France under the above conditions have already subjected us to adverse criticism and endanger our present cordial relations with the other Grand Lodges of the United States, who so promptly came to our assistance when our territory was invaded during the year 1869.

“Therefore be it resolved that our relations with the Grand Orient of France be suspended until such time as that body removes the cause for this action and respects the doctrine of geographical jurisdiction as interpreted by the Grand Lodges of the United States.”

Grand Secretary John A. Davilla presents his first annual review of the proceedings of sister Grand Lodges. With modesty he notes that he “really felt some delicacy in assuming a position among such tried veterans as already compose the ranks of the reviewers of the United States,” and he confines his initial effort practically to a synopsis of the proceedings of 70 Grand Lodges, many of which are British, and one, remarkably enough, the Grand Lodge of Hesse-Darmstadt. Our own Grand Lodge, Canada in Ontario, receives favourable mention. Brother Davilla is the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign

Correspondence—there are 5 other members. The reviews, however, appear to be the work of the Chairman alone. The whole committee no doubt, deliberated upon the status of various Grand bodies seeking recognition: we find reports about these; and we concur in that anent Mexico, which is as follows:—

“Your committee have had before them communications and statements from the various contending Masonic governing bodies of Mexico, but must confess that they are unable to come to a decision. They feel that no great amount of harm can be done by holding these matters under further advisement.”

Some months later we received the proceedings of 1922—another large volume, well-printed and well-arranged, prefaced by a portrait of Ira W. Sylvester, elected Grand Master in 1922.

The Annual Communication of 1922 was the 111th Annual Grand Communication, and was held in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, New Orleans, on the 6th, 7th, and 8th February, 1922, under the presidency of Hollace H. Bain, Grand Master.

This Ruler of the Craft made a notable address. His call to service and to a realisation and understanding of the true aim of Masonry is too long to quote in full—we can only make a few extracts:—

“Our forefathers laid a strong foundation, a magnificent corner-stone, of Masonry in this State. By that very act they have made it incumbent upon us to build a superstructure worthy of that foundation”.

“The largest and most potent factor that the Masonic Order, as a whole, used during the past year, as a positive multiplier for good, that which gives the greatest promise of a large future result, was the enlarging, planning and mapping out of the work and crying need of Free Masonry by the Masonic Service Association.”

“Brethren, in this association, our Order has taken a mighty step forward. The founders, organisers, and enlargers obtained a wonderful vision of altruistic service, and with true Masonic spirit and efficiency they have already set about to make this vision a glorious reality”.

“This Grand Lodge guides the destiny of Masonry in Louisiana, it has the money and the men with which to carry out this educational programme. We are spending

yearly nearly \$7,000 on two lecturers who teach nothing but the esoteric work. While I believe it is necessary to maintain a uniform work, I do not think that we are living up to the maximum of our responsibility as leaders of the Craft, nor keeping faith with the true spirit of Masonry, when we spend that amount for the teaching of the catechism and nothing for education, enlightenment, and spiritual advancement.

"Brethren, with a sincere realisation of my duty as your Grand Master, I have given many months of careful consideration to this subject, trying to work out some plan by which this constructive educational programme already set in motion, can be maintained at a minimum expense to this Grand Lodge, and can continue to grow into a more and more forceful and efficient organisation.

"I therefore recommend that this important matter be referred to a joint committee composed of the Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence and State of the Order, with the further recommendation that this Grand Lodge, instead of electing two Grand Lecturers, elect one: this lecturer to act more as a supervisor than as a direct teacher of the esoteric work, in that it shall be his duty to appoint and direct in each Masonic district one or more lecturers holding certificates of proficiency."

Dealing with this recommendation, though perhaps indirectly, the Committee on the State of the Order reported as follows:—

"We approve the action of the Grand Master in purchasing the moving pictures from the Masonic Service Association, and we believe these and the other addresses prepared by this association will prove very helpful to our Brethren in giving them correct information concerning our Masonic duties and responsibilities, as well as a thorough appreciation of the part played by the Fraternity in laying the foundation-stone of this Great Republic.

"We submit to the Grand Lodge for its consideration and action the wisdom of the incoming Grand Master taking up this important work and employing some one to give these lectures during the coming year, provided the expense for said purpose shall not exceed \$4,000 and that he be given authority to act under this resolution."

This was approved by the Committee on Audits and Accounts and adopted by Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master reported some of his rulings upon applications for dispensation. We refer to one which is rather puzzling. He says that he refused

to grant a dispensation to a Lodge "to accept as an applicant for the Degrees of Masonry a man whose right leg had been cut off between the hip and knee." The refusal to grant a dispensation seems to imply that he had the power to grant or refuse it. If the Grand Lodge has placed in the Grand Master's hands such a power or discretion, which seems not unlikely, would it not have been better to have granted it, supposing the applicant to have been otherwise eligible? Surely here was an opportunity to show that Masonry regarded the inward qualification. Is it possible that the Grand Master refused to grant a dispensation because he had no power to do so? If that were the case, it would have been better to have said so.

He certainly exercised a wise discretion, if he had a discretion in refusing requests from 3 Lodges to hold joint installations with the Order of the Eastern Star. It is scarcely conceivable that a Grand Master would grant a dispensation for such a purpose.

The Grand Master advocated the establishment in Louisiana of a Masonic Orphans' Home, and this was concurred in by a resolution of Grand Lodge authorising initiatory proceedings for the purpose.

Of Rudolph Krause, who was Grand Master in 1919, we learned something two years ago. He was present, as a delegate from the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, at the Peace Celebration in London in June of that year; and in February, 1920, he proclaimed himself "a 100 per cent. American." Yet we find him writing from Berlin, Germany, in January, 1922, to Grand Secretary Davilla, explaining that his absence from this Grand Communicataion was not voluntary—"I will be forced to be absent" are his exact words, not strictly according to Lindley Murray—and we notice that he is the representative of the National Grand Lodge of Germany near the Grand Lodge of Louisiana. Vice versa, William Begeman, of Berlin, represents Louisiana in Germany. So there

is an interchange of representatives and full communion—which is strange.

An oration on "The Power of Masonry" was delivered by the Rev. Brother Jasper K. Smith, Grand Chaplain.

The Grand Secretary reported 266 Lodges, including several under dispensation; a total membership of 29,506; and a net gain in 1921 of 3,202.

A project for building a huge Masonic Temple in New Orleans was discussed by the Grand Master and also by Grand Lodge. It was decided to raise a fund of \$2,000,000 for the purpose and to defer building until after the fund had been raised.

In regard to the perplexing Mexican problem, the following resolution was passed by Grand Lodge—a very important pronouncement:—

"Whereas this Grand Lodge accorded fraternal recognition to the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico at our session of 1909; and whereas during the following year serious dissensions occurred in that body resulting in a number of the Lodges seceding and forming another Grand Lodge, both bodies laying claim to the title; and whereas, while the present York Grand Lodge of Mexico is beyond question or doubt the regular body, still it has invaded other occupied territory in the country of Mexico: Therefore be it resolved that our present policy of non-interference in Masonic affairs in the Federal District of Mexico be maintained until the next Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge."

The two bodies, it is hoped, may have come together before February, 1923.

This resolution is found in the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. The report also contains the usual jurisdictional reviews, written by Grand Secretary John A. Davilla. These are not lengthy, covering but 62 pages, but they are well worth reading. The Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario), 1921, is not forgotten.

Ira W. Sylvester, Alexandria, Grand Master.

John A. Davilla, New Orleans, Grand Secretary.

MAINE.

The proceedings of 1921 are contained in a rather slim volume, but they are neither uninteresting nor unimportant.

The Grand Lodge met in the Masonic Temple, Portland, on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th May; it was the 102nd Annual Communication. Grand Master Edward W. Wheeler read an address of which any Grand Master might be proud—thoughtful, well-reasoned, and faultless in diction.

He said that the past year had been one of unprecedented numerical growth. The returns showed 38,499 members in 206 active Lodges, and a net gain of 2,829 in a year. While the Brethren had for the most part exercised a discriminating judgment in the use of the ballot, many instances of laxity and carelessness in the preliminary investigation of candidates had come to the Grand Master's attention. In several cases Lodges had accepted applications and conferred one or more of the degrees upon candidates who had been previously rejected by other Lodges, but who had made contrary statements in their applications. As no man who had thus committed a fraud upon the Lodge and Order at the threshold of his Masonic career should be permitted to continue a member of the Fraternity, the Grand Master had directed the officers of the several Lodges concerned to cause these members to be brought before them for trial upon appropriate charges. But suspension or expulsion alone was not an adequate remedy. "As an expelled Mason is a constant menace to the institution, the admission of an unworthy member is not remedied by his subsequent expulsion." These are wise words. The remedy is, of course, greater vigilance; but that will not remove the menace arising from an actual expulsion. We confess that we never, until these remarks made us reflect, realised what an immense amount of harm may be done by an expelled Mason, especially perhaps one who has had little inside experience.

Among the Grand Master's rulings or decisions we find this:—

"Upon the question whether a Chapter of the Eastern Star may be permitted to display its emblems in a Lodge-room, I have ruled that if permission to occupy a Masonic Hall has been granted to the Eastern Star by a vote of the Lodge, in accordance with the regulation of the Grand Lodge, it would be proper for such a Chapter to display its charter and emblems upon the walls while the hall is so occupied, but it would not be proper to allow an illuminated Star or any other emblem of that society to be attached to any emblem of Masonry."

But why should a Chapter of this Order be allowed the use of a Lodge-room?

A suggestion made by the Grand Master was that Grand Lodge should make a new regulation providing that the loss of a limb or a part thereof should not be deemed a physical disqualification if such defect had been adequately supplied by artificial means. We do not find that any action was taken upon this.

Past Grand Master Albro E. Chase presented a very able and carefully prepared report of the Committee on Correspondence. The proceedings of 44 Grand Lodges are reviewed. Canada (1920) receives flattering notice.

Edward W. Wheeler, Brunswick, Grand Master (re-elected).

Charles B. Davis, Portland, Grand Secretary.

MANITOBA.

The 46th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was opened in the Masonic Temple, Winnipeg, on the 8th June, 1921, and continued in session during that and the following day.

The address of Grand Master Albert J. Hatcher, of Brandon, was well-expressed and comprehensive—the work of a thoughtful and observant Mason. He noted, first, the deaths during his year of office of one Past Grand Master, 6 Past Deputy Grand Masters, and 74 other Brethren; and then proceeded to discuss the condition of the Order, directing the attention of Grand Lodge to the reports of the several

officers and committees, and stating that the past year had been a remarkably successful and harmonious one.

As appears from the report of the Committee on the Fraternal Dead, the Past Grand Master who died during the year was M. W. Bro. Alfred Pearson, a pioneer merchant and for some time Mayor of Winnipeg.

There appear to be 82 Lodges, with a total membership at the end of 1920 of 9,332, and a net increase during that year of 963. These figures are taken from the report and statistical tables of Past Grand Master James A. Ovas, Grand Secretary. It was his 21st annual report, and he seems to be a tower of strength to this Grand Lodge.

We cannot help thinking that it is not only erroneous but misleading to speak of "granting dispensations to Lodges desirous of attending Divine Service". What is meant is, doubtless, "attending Divine Service in Masonic clothing". The Grand Master in his address said that he had granted 27 dispensations of this kind, and was "thoroughly convinced that not one of these Lodges was inspired by a desire for a Masonic parade, in the vulgar sense of the word, but rather by a desire that the Brethren might as a body do reverence to the Great Architect of the Universe, and publicly express their appreciation of the relation of the Order to religion, of which it is but a handmaiden." The question is rather a perplexing one. Do we as Masons desire, or is it proper for us to desire, to make any public demonstration?"

An interesting passage in the address of the Grand Master was this:—

"I am in receipt of the following invitation: 'The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons State of North Dakota cordially invites you and the officers of your Grand Lodge to be present at and participate in an international Masonic celebration to be held Tuesday at 3.30 p.m., June 21st, A.D. 1921, A.L. 5921, Pembina, North Dakota.' And an explanation of the event as follows: 'The occasion of this

international Masonic celebration is the unveiling and dedication of a marker and tablet on the site of the building in which the first regularly organised Masonic Lodge within the confines of the State of North Dakota held its meetings during the winter of 1863-64. This Lodge, known as Northern Lights Lodge, was organised under a dispensation issued by Grand Master A. T. C. Pierson of Minnesota in September, 1863. The original members were soldiers being sent to garrison the post at Pembina. During the winter of 1863-64 a number of candidates from Fort Garry, now Winnipeg, received Masonic Light in this Lodge. Later, because of the exigencies of military service, the original members were removed from Pembina. The dispensation of the Lodge was renewed, and it was transferred to Fort Garry, where the Lodge continued active until 1868-69. While the charter, was issued, it was never delivered, and in 1870 was revoked. From this brief outline it will be seen that this old Lodge laid the foundations of Masonry not only in North Dakota, but also in Manitoba and the Canadian Northwest. These two Grand Lodges, together with Minnesota, have a peculiar interest in this Lodge and this occasion; hence its international character. I may say that I acknowledged receipt of the invitation, commended the idea, and expressed the conviction that this Grand Lodge would be only too pleased to participate in the ceremony. The matter has been in the hands of the Board for some time, and no doubt a plan will be submitted for your approval".

The Board of General purposes did present a report, but did not, unless we have overlooked it, make any reference to this interesting matter.

A report of the Committee on Foreign Relations and Correspondence dealt with the vexed Mexican question. The Grand Lodge of Manitoba, having already recognised the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, was asked to recognise the Gran Logia Valle de Mexico. The committee recommended that no action be taken at present, and the report was adopted.

In the report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry, we find a good summary of the year's work, concluding with these significant words:—

"Such are the materials upon which your Committee base the opinion that, upon the whole, Grand Lodge has good reason to believe that our organisation is in a strong and vigorous condition, that it is strongly equipped for the purpose for which it is organised and maintained, that devotion and good intelligence and determination mark the

course and progress of Freemasonry in Manitoba, and that a vast amount of effective work is being done to promote and maintain the principles of Masonry in the lives and hearts of the Brethren."

M. W. Brother Percy E. Kellatt is again the author of the Correspondence Report. He follows the same "topical" plan as before, and enlarges upon its advantages. The report does not deal at random with "topics." It is based upon a perusal and careful consideration of the proceedings of the Masonic Jurisdictions with which the Grand Lodge of Manitoba is in fraternal accord, and is intended to be a statement of the predominating features and developments of the Masonic year. The discussion on "Freemasonry and Religious Dogma" is of surpassing interest, and the brief quotation given from an address of the Grand Chaplain of Nova Scotia on "Masonic Ideals" makes a fitting conclusion to a series of remarkable papers on various Masonic subjects, enriched with quotations from the utterances of Rulers of the Craft everywhere—not excepting our own Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario).

George N. Jackson, Winnipeg, Grand Master.

James A. Ovas, Winnipeg, Grand Secretary.

MARYLAND.

We now have the Maryland proceedings of 1920 which escaped our net in 1921. Brother Charles C. Homer junior, Grand Master, presided at the 257th Semi-Annual Communication, held on the 11th May, 1920, in Baltimore, and made a short address, a large part of which was devoted to a consideration of the projects for providing additional room in the Masonic Temple where Grand Lodge meets. New land had been acquired to the rear of the Temple at the price of \$352,200. It was deemed unwise to begin building operations at once on account of the high cost of labour and material. The enormous growth in membership was also mentioned both in connection with the housing problem and with the Masonic Service Association, of whose educational programme the Grand Master approved. He felt that the great amount of ritualistic work necessary in connection

with the admission of new members took up so much time that little was left for instructive lectures, according to the association's programme, and social intercourse. The Maryland Craft favours continued membership in the association and also takes its part seriously in the campaign to raise funds for the George Washington National Masonic Memorial.

The Grand Secretary's report gave statistics from the 30th October, 1919, to the 30th April, 1920: membership, 24,117; net gain in 6 months, 2,319.

The Annual Communication for 1920 was the 134th and was opened in the home of the Grand Lodge (aforesaid) on the 16th November, 1920. The opening ceremonies were conducted with musical accompaniment, and were, no doubt, most impressive. There were present a number of distinguished visitors representing the Grand Lodges of 5 neighbouring States and one as distant as Iowa, which sent the celebrated George L. Schoonover.

The Grand Master, Brother Homer, in his address said that the second year of his Grand Mastership was now at an end, and he gave several reasons why no Brother should serve as Grand Master for more than 2 years. He indicated his successor, who was in fact elected and installed at this Communication, Brother Warren S. Seipp of Baltimore, a very capable Craftsman.

We have become familiar with the story of marvellous increase in numbers and cautionary remarks of Grand Masters thereanent. The increase in Maryland for 6 months from April to November was 1,498, making a total increase for the fiscal year of 3,637, and an actual affiliated membership of 25,615. Brother Homer did not fail to point out the disadvantages, though he said that the growth was nothing to be ashamed of. Of course, the chief evil is the impossibility of giving adequate instruction when so much time is used in conferring the degrees. The Grand Master put it in a nut-shell thus: "The Senior Warden answers in stereotyped phrase that his obligation makes him a Master Mason, whereas a little reflection

will convince all that it is the keeping of the obligation which makes a man a Mason." The realisation of the duties and responsibilities thus suggested resulted in the formation of the Masonic Service Association, of which the ubiquitous Schoonover is the prophet. Maryland firmly adheres to that association.

Brother Schoonover himself delivered an inspiring address on the work and aims of the association. We should like to quote the whole of it—for the aims of the association, as he expounded them, should be the aims of all Master Masons throughout the world. Time and circumstances have disclosed them. We must make just one quotation:—

"We must not forget, my Brethren, that we are one of the four primal institutions that have been incorporated in human society since it began, as far as our record goes. There are the home, the church, the state, and what our scholars refer to as "The Men's House," the place where the men gathered together in secret to charge the youth of the tribe with the qualities which it was felt every warrior ought to possess. That is the real origin of Masonry, regardless of the lineal history of our descent. We represent to-day, in society as it is now organised, the fourth great institution, The Men's House; and it was in the men's house of old, and it is to-day if we live our Masonry, that the true worship of God, the honour of the home, and the manly virtues are inculcated. That is what Freemasonry is. It is not a club. It does not include a formal baptism in the swimming pool, nor does it involve using the stewards' rods for billiard-cues."

Upon the Grand Representatives of other Jurisdictions being presented and honoured, the representative of Ireland, the Deputy Grand Master and Grand Master elect, Warren S. Seipp, said that Ireland was in tears—which is true. But he added that a great many of the Lodges (the buildings) "have been sacked and burned and those that have not been sacked and burned have closed their doors." We have found nothing to substantiate this statement in the reports we have received from that most distressful country. In fact, we have expected to read something of the sort; but, instead of that, prosperity has been the burden of the Grand Lodge of Ireland's song in the recent troublesome years.

By resolution of Grand Lodge, the Grand Master was "authorised in cases of candidates who have been injured or incapacitated in the service of the Army or Navy of the United States in line of duty to waive disabilities which do not prevent a substantial compliance with the requirements of initiation, passing, and raising."

The Report on Correspondence is by Henry Branch, P.S.G.W., Chairman of the Committee. It contains a very valuable series of reviews, one being of our Grand Lodge in 1919.

The proceedings of the Grand Lodge are conducted with the dignity befitting its venerable age. Music and oratory combine to make its proceedings attractive; and it is small wonder that the Grand Master, at the 135th Annual Communication, held in Baltimore, on the 15th and 16th November, 1921, said that it was "gratifying to see so many here". Our first business is not, however, with the Annual Communication of 1921, but with the Semi-Annual, which was the 258th of that ilk, and was held in Baltimore on the 10th May, 1921.

The address of Grand Master Warren S. Seipp at the Semi-Annual of 1921 contains some good things, and we quote a few of them:—

"It gives me much pleasure to report an unusual spirit of co-operativeness among the Lodges and membership generally."

"During the past 6 months we have made a net gain of 1,862. The additional fee of \$10 which was added to our initiation fee has netted \$10,710."

"The monthly meetings of the Grand Inspectors in Baltimore are a wonderful help towards unity."

"Our Lodges responded nobly to the call of \$1 per capita for the George Washington National Memorial Association; and, although quite a number fell down on the requirements, we have contributed over \$37,000 to this cause."

"Realising that no matter how well our plans may be laid, a foundation is necessary upon which to build, I offer, for the favourable consideration of each individual Lodge,

a system similar to that adopted and used by Hiram Lodge, No. 107. This Lodge has organised its workers into a Welfare Committee, which has classified its membership into districts and groups; lieutenants have been assigned to each group, so that within a few minutes any member of the Lodge can be reached either in person or by 'phone. A personal canvass of the membership has been conducted, and the effect of this organised action has been remarkable. Men have been to Lodge who have not been out in years, the forgotten old and sick have been looked after, positions have been obtained for the unemployed, non-resident members have been communicated with, and numberless other things have been looked after by this Lodge which should be the particular function of every Lodge. A visit to No. 107 will convince the most sceptical of its efficiency. If every Lodge should look after its members in this fashion, the seed sown by the Masonic Service Association would fall on more fertile soil."

"During the coming months let us have one aim in view—the good of the Fraternity—and in working for this cause, so many things really worth while will present themselves for our consideration, and so occupy our minds, that we shall have no time for petty jealousies and disputes; and, if we are indeed Masons and not merely members of the Fraternity, let us get together, in our work, in our thoughts, in our ideals—and results are bound to come—then shall we be what we claim to be and what it is intended that we shall be—the best and grandest body of men on the face of the whole earth."

The Grand Secretary's statistics showed 117 Lodges, with a total membership at the end of April of 27,477, and the net gain for the half year stated by the Grand Master.

At this meeting a resolution favouring the establishment in Maryland of a Home for aged and infirm Masons and their dependants was submitted and referred to a special committee. At the Annual Communication the committee reported that they had reached no conclusion enabling them to make a recommendation, and requested that they be given more time. The report was accepted, and the whole matter carried over until May, 1922.

In the Grand Master's address at the Annual Communication he said that "unrest has been rampant and business has been chaotic". The changed conditions were manifest in all strata of society, and

Masonry had not escaped. The membership of the Lodges had increased 954 during the 6 months since the 30th April, which, added to 1,862 for the first 6 months, made a net gain of 2,816 for the year, and a total membership of 28,430. The gain last year was 3,637. The tax of \$10 had netted \$8,450.

"Reports are very encouraging regarding the progress of the Masonic Service lectures in our State, and everywhere they were delivered the re-action was splendid".

We have not found the word "Americanism" anywhere in the volume of proceedings before us, but we do notice among the committees appointed a "Committee on Work in the German Language," consisting of three members of the Grand Lodge with decidedly Teutonic names. The report of another committee shows that Maryland sent more than 1,800 Masons to the great war and that 37 of them paid the extreme penalty. It is perhaps a fair subject to debate whether members of Lodges in which the work is conducted in the German language may be loyal citizens of the great American Republic; and perhaps the ruction that would ensue if foreign languages were banished from Lodges would do more harm to Masonry than the continuance of what was doubtless a well-established custom before the war.

An address by Brother John Lowry Sanford, P.J. G.W., before the Masonic Veterans' Association, at a Washington's Birthday celebration, on the 22nd February, 1922, is printed in this volume. The subject is "Washington the Man and Mason." We find it interesting and informing.

The Report on Correspondence, by the Rev. Henry Branch, D.D., P.S.G.W., is cut down to less than 80 pages, and does not afford material for quotation. The review of "Canada" (1920) is of the shortest. It makes one quotation of 5 lines from the address of Grand Master Harcourt, upon the overloading of Lodges, and professes to give the statistics; but, by a printer's error, the membership is stated at 80, instead of 80,000 odd. We do not feel injured by this lapse. We regret, however, that Brother Branch

is so circumscribed ("circumwented" we know is "a more tenderer word") that he cannot illustrate and comment. Two years ago, as noted, we found his report very interesting, and that of 1920, while not lengthy, was more so than this one.

Warren S. Seipp, Baltimore, Grand Master (re-elected).

George Cook, Masonic Temple, Baltimore, Grand Secretary.

MASSACHUSETTS.

We cannot do full justice to the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts for the year 1920. Although there is no report on Correspondence, the volume containing the proceedings is an enormous one. This is, no doubt, largely due to the fact that many of the addresses of Masonic dignitaries are reported verbatim. We have no fault to find with that practice, so long as the addresses are instructive and interesting, and we have found these to be so, after bestowing upon them such time as we could command.

During 1920 there were the usual Quarterly Communications of Grand Lodge, in March, June, September, and December, and the Stated Communication on the Feast of St. John the Evangelist, being the 187th anniversary. There were, besides, more than a score of Special Communications.

For statistical purposes the Masonic year ends on the 31st August. On that day in the year 1920, there were 274 Lodges in Massachusetts, 5 in China, 3 in Chile, and 6 in the Canal Zone, making a total of 288 in the Jurisdiction, an increase of 17; total population, 92,418; net gain in a year, 10,008. The net gain in the previous year was much less, 4,128. Probably 1920 was the peak-year in Massachusetts as well as elsewhere.

Arthur D. Prince, of Lowell, was the Grand Master for 1920; he presided at all or most of the Grand Communications; his addresses were eloquent and inspiring.

On the 2nd March, 1920, a Special Communication of Grand Lodge was held at Gloucester for the purpose of celebrating the 150th anniversary of Tyrian Lodge and dedicating the Masonic Apartments of that Lodge, which, as the Grand Master said, had been used for many years in the inculcation of Masonic truth. The anniversary exercises were spread over 3 days, and included banquets, religious services, and an historical address, printed in the proceedings.

At the March Quarterly an appropriation of \$5,000 was made in favour of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association.

Another 150th anniversary was celebrated by a Special Communication of Grand Lodge on the 16th and 17th May, 1920—that of Massachusetts Lodge, Boston.

Fiftieth anniversary celebrations were very numerous throughout the year, and there was one centennial.

At the June Quarterly, the Grand Master appointed a committee on Foreign Grand Lodges, saying:—

The work of the committee will be that of the preparation of a list of Grand Lodges which are and should continue to be recognised by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts: a list of those, if any such there be, from which recognition should be withdrawn; and a further list of those to whom recognition should be extended.

"I realize that this is a large programme, and it will probably require a number of years for its completion. A helpful beginning, however, can be made in no long time, and I am sure that we may trust the experience and wisdom of the committee I have named to secure for us a satisfactory adjustment of our foreign relations."

The situation in Chile, where there are 3 Lodges under the Massachusetts Jurisdiction, was also considered by the Grand Master. He said that a careful study of the situation showed that behind the question of the appointment of a new District Grand Master, in place of R. W. Brother David Urquhart, of Valparaiso, who died in August, 1919, stood the question of the wisdom of continuing the Lodges in Chile as a District under a District Grand Lodge organisation. The Grand Lodge of Chile was naturally jealous of its

sovereignty. After stating such facts bearing on the situation as he had been able to find, the Grand Master said:—

“In view of these facts, I have decided to dissolve the District Grand Lodge of Chile, and to restore the Lodges there situated to their former condition of an ordinary Masonic District under charge of a District Deputy Grand Master, and I hereby appoint R. W. Bro. James Walls, of Valparaiso, to be District Deputy Grand Master for the District of Chile, to serve until such time as the Grand Lodge or Grand Master shall otherwise determine.”

Some generous gifts, testamentary and otherwise, to the Masonic Home, at Charlton, Massachusetts, were announced by the Grand Master at this Communication.

The Grand Master confessed that he had entertained a fear that danger might arise from the exceeding prosperity of the Order at this epoch (June, 1920). But a series of visits to Lodges in all parts of the Commonwealth had convinced him that the Lodges of Massachusetts “are receiving into Masonry to-day the very best type of young American manhood.” He then referred to an event which we chronicled a year ago, using these words, which are well worthy of attention:—

“I think we little realise what a position we are holding in this Commonwealth to-day and have held since last September, when this Grand Lodge, under the leadership of M. W. Brother Abbott, unreservedly and publicly proclaimed its adherence to the principle of the sovereignty of the law, and offered the support of the whole Fraternity to His Excellency the Governor. Since that day Masonry in Massachusetts has appeared in a new light to the profane. Figures show this”.

A committee appointed to consider the matter of the size of Lodges made a report and a recommendation “that no Lodge should be permitted to make (of its own material) more than 35 Masons in any Masonic fiscal year.” This was the gist of the proposed amendment, which was referred to another committee and was transmitted to all the Lodges.

At the Quarterly Communication of the 8th December, 1920, the Grand Master made his annual address, in the course of which he announced that the

committee on the proposed amendment would not be in a position to report until the meeting in March, 1921. The proposal is, of course, one that will not meet with unanimous approval, and doubtless there will be much discussion before a decision is reached.

At this Communication the Grand Master referred to the advantages of the rule permitting membership in more than one Lodge—a rule which obtains in our own Grand Lodge and (we believe) in all the Provinces of this Dominion.

The Grand Master strongly upheld the plans and methods of the Masonic Service Association; and Grand Lodge voted that a sum equal to 5 cents per capita of the affiliated Masons in the Jurisdiction be set aside in a fund in the hands of the Grand Treasurer to be disbursed for the purposes of the association on order of the Grand Master.

An immense amount of business was done at this meeting. The Grand Lodge charities are on a large scale, and the accounts relating to these and the other central jurisdictional activities run to millions of dollars.

At the Stated Communication held on the 27th December, 1920, the Grand Officers were installed and the Feast of St. John the Evangelist was celebrated. Arthur D. Prince was re-elected Grand Master and duly proclaimed.

At the banquet which followed the work and business of the meeting there were many speakers. One of them was Charles J. Orbison, Past Grand Master of Masons in Indiana. The Grand Master, in introducing this guest, said that he was the Federal Prohibition Director of the State of Indiana—"but he is not working to-night. It must be interesting to him professionally to come to this State of Massachusetts, where we observe the prohibition amendment so religiously that out of every 100 seizures we can obtain evidence for only 6 convictions. The evidence mostly disappears." This is decidedly interesting if not strictly Masonic information.

Brother Orbison made an eloquent speech which was much applauded. Unlike another Masonic dignitary of whom we wot, he was careful, even to the extent of spoiling the metre of a verse, not to confound Masonry with Christianity.

“All hail the power of Jehovah’s name” was his adaptation of the first line of a well-known hymn.

Arthur D. Prince, Lowell, Grand Master.

Frederick W. Hamilton, Cambridge, Grand Secretary.

MEXICO.

The somewhat belated proceedings of the 60th Annual Communicataion of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, held in the City of Mexico, on the 1st April, 1920, more than two years earlier than the time at which we are now writing, have reached us. Stephen Motta, Grand Master, presided. Fourteen Lodges of the Jurisdiction were represented. The Grand Master’s address contained references to the unfortunate dispute as to Masonic sovereignty in the Republic of Mexico, but no hint of a settlement of the dispute.

The Grand Secretary’s report showed that there had been in 1919 a net decrease of 37 in membership, but it also stated that the loss had been covered by new material admitted in 1920. On the 31st December, 1919, there were 15 constituent Lodges with a total membership of 975.

In the Report on Foreign Correspondence and Relations, by Past Grand Master Cecil C. Freston, of Tampico, he reviews the proceedings of several Grand Lodges in the usual way. We find among them Alberta and Prince Edward Island, but not Canada (in Ontario), although in the introduction to the review there is a quotation from a somewhat ancient

report of Brother Ponton's on the Condition of Masonry. This is on the subject of physical qualification. Brother Freston himself takes the liberal side of that question. In this same introduction we find a concise account of the International Bureau for Masonic Affairs, at Berne, Switzerland, and a commendation of it as "a really valuable institution."

Sidney Ulfelder, City of Mexico, Grand Master.

Cassius C. Shanks, P. O. Box 1986, City of Mexico, Grand Secretary.

MICHIGAN.

We are much impressed with the volume of Michigan proceedings now before us—that of 1921. It is a large volume and contains many things worth noting, but we must content ourselves with references to a few only.

The Communication of 1921 was the 77th Annual, and was held in the City of Battle Creek, the opening day being just a year ago—we are writing on what we now in Canada call "Victoria-day", the 24th May, 1922. The sessions of Grand Lodge were held on the 24th and 25th May; Ira A. Beck, Grand Master, presiding. Of this Ruler of the Craft we gave a brief description in our report of 1921.

We find, at the end of the list of Grand Officers present, the name "Harvey A. Sherman, Official Stenographer," and we see his work at once, for the speeches made are reported verbatim. The total registered attendance was 718, and 433 Lodges out of 462 were represented.

The Grand Master's address was comprehensive, yet concise and well-balanced. He referred, in the early part of it, to the deaths of Past Grand Masters John Quincy Look and Neal McMillan. The former was born in 1847 and was Grand Master in 1891. The latter's natal year was 1845, and he was head of the Craft in 1902.

Among the Grand Master's recorded rulings we note: "The use of a Lodge-room by the Grotto or any ladies' auxiliary thereof is forbidden. A Masonic Lodge-room is too sacred a place for the Grotto."

The Masonic Service Association of the United States and the George Washington National Memorial were both warmly commended by the Most Worshipful.

His remark that "we are conferring so many degrees that it may well be said that our Lodge-rooms are degree-mills," expresses the situation in 1921 with neatness. "Let us nourish well the seeds we have planted" is his fitting addendum.

In the early part of his address he had stated the 4 problems which he and his hearers had to solve as "those revolving around: first, Americanism; second, education; third, organisation of boy-scouts, De Molay for boys, and go-to-church movement; and, fourth, suppression of Bolshevism." And at the end he adds: "Let us each of us do each day some service for our fellowmen, thereby developing a splendid habit, which will shortly make our Grand Jurisdiction the finest place in the world in which to live, and will prove to ourselves that we have served some purpose upon the face of our beautiful Earth."

Shortly after the reading of the Grand Master's address, Past Grand Master Louis A. Watres, of Pennsylvania, President of the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association, was introduced and spoke on the work of the association. "The Temple," he said, "will be built. . . . For many years it has been difficult to say anything new about Washington, but this Memorial will say old things in a new way." The report of the State Chairman of the Association revealed contributions from Michigan totalling \$28,293.14.

Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary Lou B. Winsor, in his 18th annual report in the latter capacity, said that he was permitted to register his 39th consecutive attendance upon Annual Communications of Grand Lodge. Of the 70 Grand Masters who had presided over

Grand Lodge he had known all but 13, and of the 70 there were but 20 now living. Doubtless he is an old man, but he appears to be well able for the incessant work of the principal executive of the largest State Grand Lodge. The figures given in his statistics are tremendous—we had almost written appalling. We have mentioned the number of Lodges as 462, but we are not quite sure that that is precisely correct. There may be a few more, counting those working under dispensations. The total membership on the 31st December, 1920, was 120,013, and the net gain in that year, 12,974.

The Grand Lecturer's report showed that 145 Lodges of Instruction were held during the year from May, 1920, to May, 1921.

The Masonic Home at Alma is in good condition and doing a great work.

Of Robert P. Anderson, who was elected and installed as Grand Master for 1921-22, we read that he was born in our Jurisdiction, to wit, in Picton, Ontario, in 1866, and went to school in Deseronto, whither his parents removed when he was 5 years old. Michigan is, of course, close to Ontario, and young Anderson moved to Port Huron, Michigan, before he had reached manhood's status. He has since lived there, has been active in municipal affairs, and was a partner in a manufacturing firm up to 1920, when, apparently in anticipation of attainment to high Masonic office, he retired from business, being doubtless well able to do so. In his portrait he is a personable man, and we may take pride in him as a son of our soil. His Masonic career, beginning in 1899, has been an active and distinguished one.

Grand Secretary Lou B. Winsor is also Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, and at this Communication presented his 18th annual report of the doings of other Grand Jurisdictions—69 of them, of which Canada (in Ontario), proceedings of 1920, is one, and a favourite of the veteran reviewer, we judge, from the generous space which he allots to it. The parts of addresses and reports which he quotes are well-selected.

We find this report, and indeed all that is contained in the large and well-arranged volume before us, both interesting and instructive.

Robert P. Anderson, Port Huron, Grand Master.

Lou B. Winsor, Masonic Temple, Grand Rapids, Grand Secretary.

MINNESOTA.

The 68th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota was held in St. Paul on the 19th and 20th January, 1921, Grand Master Edmund A. Montgomery, of Minneapolis, presiding.

The death of Albert Berg, Past Grand Master, occurred in St. Paul in February, 1920. He was born in Minnesota in 1861, and in early life worked on his father's farm. He became successively a student, a newspaperman, a schoolmaster, a registrar of deeds, Secretary of the State of Minnesota, and a member of the State Legislature. A strong man and a good Mason, he was much esteemed. His Grand Mastership was in 1917.

In his address Grand Master Montgomery said a good deal about physical qualifications, being of opinion that recent amendments to the constitution and regulations had left the law in an uncertain state. The amendments were evidently made with the intention of relaxing the prohibitions as to candidates with physical defects, but by them the Grand Master was given a discretion, and Brother Montgomery felt that he was justified in taking a conservative attitude in regard to candidates who possessed no artificial substitute for a missing limb or part of one. The Committee on Jurisprudence suggested an amendment, which was adopted by Grand Lodge. And the Grand Master's rulings were approved.

The Grand Master recommended that the vexed question of the recognition of Foreign Grand Lodges should be referred to the Masonic Service Association for consideration and report, with a view to concerted action by State Grand Lodges. This recommendation was referred to a Special Committee, who, at this Communication, made a report favouring the adoption of the Grand

Master's recommendation, with certain safeguards. The committee's report was approved by Grand Lodge.

The Grand Secretary's statistics: 272 chartered Lodges, returns from 268; 7 Lodges under dispensation; membership at the end of 1920, 45,593; net gain for the year astonishingly large—5,586.

There is much in the proceedings about the Minnesota Masonic Home, which appears to have been recently opened. New buildings are needed. A large bequest—more than \$100,000—was made to the Home by the lately deceased Brother James C. Slafter, of Minneapolis, but the amount is not immediately available.

We searched the proceedings for the address of the Grand Orator but did not find any reference to it. The Report of the Committee on Masonic Research may have taken its place. The mission of Masonry is there dealt with in an able and satisfactory way.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is admirably condensed by Brother Irving Todd, of Hastings. Our proceedings of 1920 receive brief but favourable mention.

We are also vouchsafed the printed proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota in 1922.

In that year the 69th Annual Communication was held in St. Paul on the 18th and 19th January. The presiding officer was Frederick E. Jenkins, of Faribault, Grand Master. We learn something of him from a portrait and from his address, which was an able review of his administration in 1921. That year was one of great progress, not only numerically and financially, but in uplift, increase in Masonic knowledge, and in good works.

In his address, after some eloquent introductory words, the Grand Master referred to the death, on the 13th October, 1921, of Brother Irving Todd, who had for more than 30 years faithfully served the Grand Lodge as writer of the correspondence reports. The Grand Master truly says that "the loss of Brother Todd will be

shared by all the Grand Jurisdictions in fraternal correspondence with us, for his messages and reviews have for years been read the world over."

Two Past Grand Masters also died during the year—Brother Robert E. Denfield, Grand Master in 1914, an illustrious teacher and lecturer, and Brother James Frederick Lawless, Grand Master in 1896 and 1897. An unusual thing is noted about Brother Lawless—he died at his home at Bournemouth, England, and had apparently lived there for some time, for it is also said that during the war he took an active part in recruiting for the British army.

Upon the "Secrecy of the Ballot" we quote some wise words of Grand Master Jenkins:—

"I call your attention to the fact that some of our Brethren are guilty of gross carelessness and indiscretion in regard to the secrecy of the ballot. Instances have been reported in which the result of the ballot has been known and discussed in the street early in the morning following the ballot and before the rejected petitioner could be notified of the result. This is in direct violation of the obligation and of Masonic usage, and the practice cannot be too strongly condemned. It will be well for the Master of every Lodge to speak in open Lodge and admonish his Brethren in regard to this.

"It is not the privilege of any Brother to question the ballot of another. If a petitioner is rejected by ballot or by objection, before receiving the Entered Apprentice Degree, the matter should be dropped then and there and not discussed in Lodge and especially not in the street. The secrecy of the ballot is the great safeguard of the Fraternity, and you are urged to use this in connection with proper and thorough investigation in maintaining the high personnel of the Craft. The right to elect or reject is the sacred right of each and every Brother, and he should exercise that right in silence, guided only by his conscience and his God."

The fame of the hospitals of Rochester, Minnesota, and the Mayo clinic, is world-wide; we make no apology for transcribing the remarks of the Grand Master in respect of the Masonic work then done and to be done:—

"On the 9th December, 1921, at the request of the Master and Brethren of Rochester Lodge No. 21, I visited Rochester. . . and was conducted through the various hospitals of Rochester and the Mayo clinic. One of the principal objects of Masonry is Charity, and here we found a wonderful field for work along those lines. About 60,000 patients pass through the clinic every year, and it is estimated that about 5,000 of them are Masons or those who have claims upon the Fraternity. Rochester Lodge No. 21 has spent

much energy and thousands of dollars in the good work of ministering to the sick and caring for the dead. Many times the officers are called out at 5 o'clock in the morning, and one Past Master informed me that he once spent two whole days away from his business caring for one case. The Lodge has well-equipped club-rooms open to guests at all times, and the officers and members are most willing and anxious to do all they possibly can do, but they haven't the time to do the great work of Charity as it should be done. The Lodge at its own expense is now employing a part-time secretary, but they find that, with the limited amount of money they can use and the limited amount of time the part-time secretary can devote, the work cannot be carried on as it should be carried on and as Masons want it to be carried on. Most of the churches employ some one to visit the hospitals daily. The Knights of Columbus, the Odd Fellows, and the Methodists have paid secretaries who devote their entire time to this work. Proud as we are of our great Fraternity, and devoted as we are to Charity, Brotherly Love, and Relief, we should not hesitate to do our part in this good work. I therefore recommend that a committee of three be appointed to report on the matter at this Communication of the Grand Lodge."

The committee was forthwith appointed and brought in a report recommending the appointment of a paid worker representing Masonry in Rochester, the appointment of a board of trustees to have charge of the work and custody of the funds, and an appropriation of \$1,000 for immediate use. The report was adopted. In this furthering the work of the Local Lodges of Rochester, Grand Lodge perhaps took an unusual step, but in a thoroughly Masonic direction. It is understood that the other Masonic Grand bodies of Minnesota are to participate in the work.

In regard to Masonic research and study-clubs, to the Masonic Service Association of the United States, the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association, and all other things tending to promote the usefulness and dignity of Freemasonry, the Grand Master was eloquent and the Grand Lodge appreciative.

The Grand Secretary reported that there were 279 chartered Lodges and 7 under dispensation; total membership 51,014; net gain for 1921, 5,032—an extraordinary showing.

The most important project before Grand Lodge was the Masonic Home. An intensive campaign for the raising of funds for a new building upon a site purchased

two years ago is in progress. The sum of \$15,000 was appropriated by Grand Lodge for the maintenance and improvement of the Home.

The Grand Orator, Brother Donald J. Cowling, spoke on the subject of "The Foundations of Lasting Peace."

The report of the Committee on Ancient Landmarks, which was adopted, recommended the establishment of fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Queensland; that the action of the Grand Lodge in 1919 establishing fraternal relations with the Grand Orient of Italy be rescinded, and that fraternal relations be established with the National Grand Lodge of Italy.

The proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association are reported at considerable length in the appendix to the volume before us.

The appendix also contains the report on Foreign Correspondence, which is partly the work of the lamented Irving Todd and partly that of Brother Charles S. Schurman, who, somewhat reluctantly, consented to complete the reviews which had been begun by Brother Todd before his fatal illness. In an interesting foreword, Brother Schurman tells us that the Grand Lodge of Minnesota has had but two correspondents in its history—M.W. Bro. A. T. C. Pierson and R.W. Bro. Irving Todd, conspicuous Masonic writers, whose reputations were nation-wide. We thank Brother Schurman for his appreciative account of the proceedings of our own Grand Lodge at Ottawa in 1921, and regret that his engagement as writer of this annual report was temporary only. His successor, from whom we expect to hear in 1923, is Past Grand Master Edmund A. Montgomery, of Minneapolis.

Herman Held, Mankato, Grand Master.

John Fishel, St. Paul, Grand Secretary.

MISSISSIPPI.

In 1921 the Grand Lodge met in Jackson, the capital of the State of Mississippi. The proceedings extended over three days. On Monday the 21st February there were meetings of the Governing Board of the Endowment

Fund; the Board of Managers of the Masonic Home; and the Grand Lecturer, District Deputies, and Board of Custodians. On the following day, Tuesday, Grand Lodge was opened in the Century Theatre at 10 a.m.; but not until after what were called "Public Exercises" had taken place in the theatre. These consisted of welcoming addresses by the Mayor of Jackson, by the Masons of Jackson, by the Order of the Eastern Star, responses to the addresses of welcome by distinguished members of Grand Lodge, and music by the "Wahabi Temple All-Shrine Band."

We are most interested in the address of the Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Mississippi of the Order of the Eastern Star; and we take leave to quote three paragraphs from it:—

"Such occasions as this are productive of much good, for there is a tie that binds us. We want you to know us, and we want to know you, for we believe friendship is the utmost worth-while thing in this world. When the earth was created, the Divine Workman quickly decided that it was not best for man to be alone, and woman was therefore created. In the mutation of time and circumstances, and the development of a moral science that created Masonry, there was finally born in the minds of one of its members the idea of the Order of the Eastern Star. That Mason was Robert Morris, and his idea was adopted by Masonry more than a half a century ago.

"As Free Masonry is founded upon the principles of brotherly love, truth, and justice, and its pillars are wisdom to contrive, strength to endure, and beauty to adorn, so we, as your handmaidens, are striving, not for the things which perish, but for the things which endure even unto the everlasting life. We look to nature and to nature's God to guide us to the New Jerusalem, the city not made with hands. Masons are working together with beautiful harmony and exalted purpose for the one great idea of purifying the human heart and exalting the human mind, and inspiring a rectitude of human conduct."

"In its idealism the Eastern Star is more beautiful than poet can fancy, more noble than eloquence can convey. Its keynotes of success are harmony and fraternal love. There is no Order that places more emphasis on unselfish loyalty to the welfare of others, and the exalted spirit of self-sacrifice."

This is altogether safe ground, (if we except the one remark that Morris's idea was "adapted by Masons.") And the response of Past Grand Master Henry C. Yawn was on the same lines and equally free from any taint of the "recognition" which we have read

about in the proceedings of other Grand Lodges. Among other things, he said:—

“To-day we are looking above ritualistic forms and ceremonies. Esoteric work, symbolic emblems, and speculative teachings all have their places in the economy of our respective institutions; but to-day, as the conflict rages, we are meeting upon that higher plane, unselfish service.”

The 103rd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Mississippi was opened after these preliminary proceedings, Grand Master Edward L. Faucette, of Newton, presiding. In his address he said that the increase in membership—3,171—was the largest in the history of the Grand Lodge, and the financial condition was splendid. The Murphy-Martin Educational Fund had reached an amount approximately \$96,500. The property of the Grand Lodge, consisting of the Masonic Home and the Vicksburg Lodge property given to the Grand Lodge Masonic Home Endowment Fund, was unincumbered. The Home was in a flourishing condition, and buildings destroyed by fire were being replaced.

This Grand Lodge's membership in the Masonic Service Association is a reality. Active work is being carried on according to the methods prescribed by the central organisation, which indeed were outlined by a committee of members of this Grand Lodge.

The report of the Grand Secretary, the well-known Oliver Lee McKay, P.G.M., showed 366 Lodges, 5 being under dispensation, and a total membership of 26,978.

Melville R. Grant, Masonic author and educator, and Deputy Grand Master in 1920, apparently did not desire advancement to the Throne. A resolution extolling his services to Masonry, and bestowing upon him the rank of an honorary Past Grand Master, was unanimously adopted at this meeting.

Senior Grand Warden John H. Johnson, of Ackerman, was elected Grand Master for 1921. We are informed that he was born on a farm in Choctaw county, Mississippi, in 1878, was a schoolmaster for 7 years, and has been in active service as a life insurance agent since

1908. He has had an active Masonic career, serving as a District Deputy Grand Lecturer for 9 years.

A question submitted to the Laws Committee was, whether a Lodge could advance to the Master's degree a Fellowcraft who, after he had been passed, was discovered to be a bastard. The answer, apparently founded on the accepted law of the Grand Lodge, was "No," and it was approved by Grand Lodge. Surely it is time for a change.

Per contra, the rule in Mississippi as to physical qualifications is quite liberal. We quote again from the report of the Laws Committee, approved by Grand Lodge:—

"Numerous questions have come to the committee setting forth particular facts regarding physical disqualifications.

"Answer: The committee has uniformly answered these questions by referring to section 8 of the Rules and Regulations, stating that the petitioner 'must be capable of receiving and imparting the ritual of Masonry and shall be able to conform to the ritual in giving the grips, passes, and steps of the degrees'.

"A comparison of this with the same section as it previously existed convinces us that the Grand Lodge has omitted, by amendment, the following words, 'not having lost a foot or hand'. It is fair to assume that the Grand Lodge's meaning was clear in the omission of these words. In our opinion, it is a matter of sound discretion with the Master of the Lodge as to whether the petitioner can comply with the provisions of section 8 of the Rules and Regulations, as amended."

The Report on Foreign Correspondence by Past Grand Master Henry C. Yawn is an excellent one. We do not know whether it is his first report; there was no report last year. Whether or not he is new to this work, he is an old hand at writing. We quote his conclusion, which faintly indicates that the report is his first one:—

"It is superfluous for me to say that a review of the proceedings of the various Grand Jurisdictions has been a genuine pleasure to me. In such a perusal one finds the very best thoughts of the very best men, clothed in the most beautiful and chaste language. High ideals are placed before us, and we are urged to dwell upon high planes of thought and living. Among the most important matters that have engaged the attention of the Masonic World for the last few months may be mentioned the following: Unrest and Agitation, Masonic Service Association, Physical Qualifications, French Masonry."

Our Grand Lodge Canada (in Ontario) 1920, is most satisfactorily noticed. The reviewer's guess that "98 per cent. of the Craft do not read reports on foreign correspondence" is a shrewd one. "Perhaps," he adds, "a few might be lured into an innocent-looking synopsis, who could never be inveigled into a voluminous report." Also shrewd.

John H. Johnson, Ackerman, Grand Master.

Oliver Lee McKay, Meridian, Grand Secretary.

MISSOURI.

We had nothing about the Grand Lodge of Missouri in our 1921 report, and now we find the volume of proceedings of 1921 before us. We have apparently missed the 1920 volume, which we sincerely regret.

The proceedings of 1921 are very interesting. They begin with a portrait and biographical sketch of William Forman Johnson, of Boonville, Grand Master for 1920-21. He had not the good fortune to be born on a farm, but achieved distinction in spite of that hardship. Shelbyville, Missouri, was the place and 1861 the year of his birth. His parents were both teachers, and he himself was a schoolmaster in early life. In 1887 he became editor of a newspaper, and in 1888 a member of the Missouri Legislature. He was called to the Bar in 1889, and in 1894 settled in Boonville and there began the active practice of law, in which he is still successfully engaged. His Masonic career began in 1882, and he has ever since been active in all branches of Masonry. He was Grand High Priest of Missouri in 1913.

The "Official Proceedings of the 101st Annual and Centennial Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Missouri" are contained in a huge volume. The meeting-place was St. Louis, and the opening of Grand Lodge was on the 20th September. The sessions were spread over that and the two following days.

One of the first things which Grand Master Johnson referred to in his address was the resignation of Grand Secretary John R. Parson, P.G.M., who had been a Mason for more than 50 years and had served the Grand

Lodge as Grand Secretary for 18 of them. "The time has come," he said in his letter of resignation, dated the 17th May, 1921, "when on account of impaired eyesight and physical strength I can no longer with complete fidelity to the Brethren and justice to my physical condition continue to carry the responsibility of this great office." The Grand Master said that he had accepted the resignation with poignant grief. Brother Parson's amiable, lovable, and noble character had been of inestimable value to the Craft. Past Grand Master Frank R. Jesse was appointed Grand Secretary till Grand Lodge met, and was then elected for the ensuing year; and Past Grand Master Parson was made Grand Secretary emeritus.

Under the head of "Necrology"—we dislike the word—the Grand Master said:—

"The Grim Reaper has visited the ranks of the Past Grand Masters, and we have been called upon to mourn the loss of M.W. Brother Xenophon Ryland, who departed this life in Higginsville, Missouri, October 1st, 1920; M.W. Brother Jacob Lampert, February 19th, 1921; M.W. Brother James W. Boyd, April 19th, 1921; and M.W. Brother Theodore Brace, May 27th, 1921. Their funerals were conducted in each instance by the Grand Lodge. I was only able to be present and conduct the services at the graves of M.W. Brother Hyland and M.W. Brother Brace. Suitable memorials were prepared, printed, and distributed to the various Masonic Lodges in the State."

The address covered many points, though it was said by the Most Worshipful that it was impossible for him to report in detail all his official actions during the year. In his opinion, the Craft throughout the State was in a flourishing condition, and the character of petitioners had been, on the whole, most excellent.

The Grand Secretary's statistics showed 649 Lodges all of which had made returns, a total membership of 100,093, and a net gain in membership, for the year, of 9,677. Prodigious!

The Centennial Celebration took place in the afternoon of the first day. Distinguished visitors were present there was singing, and of course there were speeches. There was also a presentation to Grand Master Johnson; and an historical resumé was read by Past Grand Master William F. Kuhn of Missouri, a Craftsman of high repute for learning and statesmanship.

Grand Lodge "extended"—another word that we dislike—fraternal recognition to the United Grand Lodge of Queensland.

A magnificent Masonic Temple is now in course of erection in St. Louis. Ground was broken for the purpose a few days before the meeting of Grand Lodge.

The meeting-place on this occasion was the building of the Alhambra Grotto, St. Louis, which was freely placed at the disposal of Grand Lodge. The Communication of 1922 will be held in the same building.

The Report on Fraternal Correspondence is by the Rev. C. C. Woods, D.D., P.G.M., of St. Louis, and is of the strictly orthodox type. The reviews are easy and pleasant reading. We picture the writer as a gentle and scholarly parson and Mason of the old school—and of such is the kingdom of Heaven. We naturally turn to the review of our own proceedings of 1920, and there we find something which interests us. Brother Woods writes:—

"We are surprised to note that the Grand Master was requested to declare the Order of the Eastern Star a clandestine body; and, while declining to do this, he evidently disapproves of the Eastern Star and warns all Masons against it. He recites a law issued by the Grand Lodge of England (1919) repudiating all such Orders and warning all members of the Fraternity not to recognise nor join them, under threat of expulsion.

"Evidently the principles and purposes of the Order of the Eastern Star are not understood by our Canadian and English Brethren. With us at least it is well-known that the Order does not claim to be Masonic, and there is no more reason to forbid Masons joining the Order than to forbid them joining an ordinary club or debating society. We entirely agree with the Grand Master in opposing public processions in regalia, especially to attend church, but we cannot sympathise with him in his liberal interpretation of the ancient Landmark and general law of Freemasonry as to physical ability."

We should like to accept the dictum that the Order of the Eastern Star "does not claim to be Masonic." An "ordinary club or debating society" would surely not limit its membership to Masons and their female relations. There is, we are persuaded, a connection with Masonry which Dr. Woods, in the innocence of his heart,

does not suspect. We find that Craft-rulers in their public expressions are canny about it; but the Masons of the Philippine Islands are more frank (see our review, post). We have not been altogether successful in our prolonged search for something which precisely defines the nature of the relationship of the Eastern Star to Masonry; but we have enough circumstantial evidence to hang or electrocute a "Patron" if belonging to an imitation Masonic Order were a capital offence.

O. A. Lucas, Kansas City, Grand Master.

Frank R. Jesse, Board of Education Building, 9th and Locust Streets, St. Louis, Grand Secretary.

MONTANA.

The 56th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Montana was held in the Masonic Temple, Missoula, on the 18th and 19th August, 1920. Grand Master W. L. Parmelee presided. The volume of proceedings is prefaced by a portrait and a brief biography of the Grand Master. It appears that he is a native of Wisconsin, born in Omro, in 1873; that he got his schooling and college training in Nebraska; and at the age of 20 became cashier of a bank in Selden, Kansas. In 1900 he moved to Butte, Montana, where he became a member of a firm of dealers in hardware. He has since 1913 been a member of a firm of contractors and wholesale dealers in plumbing and heating supplies. His Masonic career began in Nebraska in 1894; in 1904 he became affiliated with Butte Lodge, and was Master of it in 1911. In 1913 he received his first Grand Lodge appointment—that of Grand Marshal—and gradually advanced until in 1919 he was elected Grand Master. Of him the Grand Secretary writes:—

"Our Grand Master is a man of sturdy simplicity yet strong characteristics. Of a quiet disposition and unflinching good nature, he believes in the proved value of those truly Masonic virtues—Silence and Circumspection. It naturally follows that he has a well-balanced mind and is always found standing on firm footing. His kindly yet wholesome admonitions to the Craft to live up to right Masonic standards were a veritable call to the faithful 'to preserve unsullied the reputation of the Fraternity with constant care.' His term was of great advantage to Masonry in Montana and one of unequalled development and growth."

The address delivered by this eminent Craftsman was an excellent one. Almost his first reference was to the Fraternal dead, and especially to a distinguished Past Grand Master, Harry R. Comly, whose death occurred at his home in San Diego, California, on Easter morning, April 4, 1920, at the age of 79 years. He served as Grand Master in 1875-76. He was Past Master of Morning Star No. 5 of Helena, and was active in the Scottish Rite bodies and Algeria Temple of that city. After removing to California in 1892, he became and remained active in the various Masonic circles in San Diego, until the time of his death.

Nine new Lodges had been organised under dispensation during the year. The Most Worshipful said that they are "established in prominent localities and will prove splendid additions to our sisterhood of chartered Lodges."

The Grand Master believed that the formation of the Masonic Service Association marked the most telling forward step for the advancement of Masonic ideals ever made in the history of the Craft. "The Executive Commission," he said, "is ready to offer service, and it is for us to get into position to take advantage of it during the coming year. The link connecting the Lodges with the centre of activity is the Lodge Speaker. . . and we have begun the selection of these speakers."

A resolution favouring immediate recognition of the Grand Lodge and Grand Orient of France was defeated; but the matter of recognition was referred to a special committee to report at the next session of Grand Lodge.

The Report of the Foreign Correspondence Committee was prepared and presented by Brother H. S. Hepner, P.G.M., a well-skilled Craftsman and delightful writer. It was his 12th annual report. He followed the almost universal plan, taking up the doings of 71 Jurisdictions in alphabetical order. Most of them are of the vintage of 1919. The proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario) in that year are briefly but appreciatively noted.

In his conclusion he says:—

"Masonry is everywhere realising more and more its exoteric as well as its esoteric functions, and a broader vista of usefulness is unfolded in the enlarged teachings of the Craft in respect of civic and economic duties, particularly as against the enemies of Masonry, and of our country's institutions."

We now pass on to a consideration of the proceedings of 1921.

In that year the Grand Lodge met in Butte. The first thing which attracts attention in the volume for 1921 is a portrait of Robert J. Hathaway, the Grand Master elected in 1920 and the chief figure in the proceedings of 1921. Appended to the portrait is a note by the Grand Secretary to the effect that, in deference to the wishes of the Grand Master, no sketch of his career is published, and that, by reason of that omission, it was thought fitting to insert a copy of the minutes of a very special communication of the Grand Lodge of Montana held at St. Aignan, France, on the 29th March, 1919. No doubt, Brother Hathaway's modesty has some connection with his war-services. However, the record is silent as to them. What we have is that he was in France in March, 1919, some time after the armistice, and that a Special Communication was there held for the purpose of installing him as Senior Grand Warden, his election to that office having taken place in August, 1918. The document deputising W. Bro. L. A. Foot, W.M. of Montana Army Lodge No. 1, U.D., to install Brother Hathaway, recites that the latter is "now in the Medical Reserve Corps of the United States Army in France." The Tyler's register showed that there were 28 Brethren present at the installation—all Americans, but not all Montana Masons.

The 57th Annual Communication was held in the Masonic Temple of the City of Butte on the 17th and 18th August, 1921, Grand Master Hathaway presiding. In his address he alluded to the death, in the month of March, 1921, at his home in Glendive, of General Henri J. Haskell, one of the men who helped to make the history of Montana. Born in Maine in 1844, he was a veteran of the civil war—a member of the 1st Maine Cavalry; he was 3 times wounded. He settled in Montana in 1881, and was a member of the last Territorial Legislature and of the Constitutional Convention

that framed the basic law of the State of Montana. Elected the first Attorney-General of the State, he served two terms in office. He was made a Mason in Massachusetts in 1867, and at the time of his death had been a member of the Order for 54 years; he was a Past Master of Glendive Lodge.

Montana Masons are enthusiastic supporters of the Masonic Service Association and of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association. Grand Master Hathaway was "firmly convinced that the Masonic Service Association, with its proposed and already begun programme, was the solution of the most vital problems that confront Masonry at this period."

The Masonic Home and its management, improvement, and development, were very earnestly dealt with in the address. The conclusion was a passionate appeal to the Brethren to foster their faith in God and Eternity.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that action on the request for recognition of the Grand Lodge of Venezuela should be deferred until the next Annual Communication; and that the request of the Grand Lodge of Mexico for recognition should not be granted. "We deem the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, now recognised by this Grand Lodge, to be the legitimate Grand Body in that country, and can see no good reason at this time to change our views." The report was adopted.

Recognition of the Grand Orient and Grand Lodge of France was again denied.

Cornelius Hodges the younger, who, we gather, succeeded his father in the office of Grand Secretary, presented a very interesting report. The total membership of the 134 chartered Lodges and 6 under dispensation was 17,676 and the gain in a year, 1,769—a good showing.

The proceedings are well-minuted, evidently with the assistance of a shorthand writer, well-arranged, and well-indexed.

Past Grand Master H. S. Hepner is an ideal correspondence reporter. He takes up the proceedings of 65 Grand Lodges, some of them for two years, and has interesting things to tell and comments to make about each.

Much enjoyment is taken by him out of this paragraph in the address of Grand Master Harcourt—whom he calls Grand Master George Moore—at the 65th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario) in 1920:—

“I have been called on to rule that an organisation called ‘The Eastern Star’, whose membership is composed of women, the relatives of Masons, and which have also attached to each of their Lodges a few Masons as patrons, is clandestine. I decline to rule, as I know nothing about the Order, and have been assured by some of the male patrons that the Order does not claim to be Masonic.”

And Brother Hebner thus comments:—

“We wonder what the O.E.S. will think of the above; it is difficult to believe that a Grand Master of a Grand Lodge on the North American continent knows nothing about the Order; it makes us readily believe the tales told of mountaineers of Tennessee and other southern States believing that the civil war is still on, and that to make them believe that the prohibition amendment to the U.S. constitution is ‘on’ would be to ask them to believe what they would deem a fairy tale.

“Such is fame, my beloved sisters and brothers and venerable members of the General Grand Chapter O.E.S. Here is a Grand Master ruling over 80,000 Masons in this year A.D. 1920, A.P. 2, who has not heard of you; you certainly have not been quiet, for consisting largely of women you couldn’t be that. Perchance the Grand Master’s statement is meant as a joke and its humour has not reached our cranium as yet; if not, then Rip Van Winkle’s sleep was but a nap in comparison.”

It is the fact, nevertheless, that there are many Masons in Ontario who know nothing of the Eastern Star, though they may have heard that there is such an organisation. We ourselves have been trying to find out something about it, and have been sifting the reports of Montana’s and other Grand Lodges for information. We are not yet satisfied. But, curiously enough, on the very day that we read and laughed over the above comments, we found, in a Toronto newspaper, an account of a special church service at which a large congregation representing District No. 6 of the Order of the Eastern

Star (in Toronto) was present. Canon Cody, who preached the sermon, had evidently been at pains to gather information about the Order, and we have really learned more from the short report of his deliverance than we have from a perusal of many volumes of Masonic proceedings. We quote:—

“In beginning his address, Canon Cody welcomed the Order to his church, and gave a brief history of it. It is, he explained, the largest women's organisation in existence, having over 1,000,000 members, and was founded 72 years ago. The first Chapter in Ontario came into being 10 years ago, and in Toronto, where there are now 19 chapters, a beginning was made in 1913.

“The Order, said Canon Cody, is founded on the principle of Charity. During the war \$10,000 was raised through the Toronto Chapters. Rooms are maintained by it in the various hospitals of the city, and a fund exists for the erection of a home for the aged to be built somewhere in the Niagara peninsula, and to be called the Florence Nightingale Home.

“The collection at yesterday's service was devoted to the Florence Nightingale Fund.”

Brother Hepner's comments are surely justified.

Henry C. Smith, P.O. Box 955, Miles City, Grand Master.

Cornelius Hedges jun., Helena, Grand Secretary.

NEBRASKA.

The 64th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska was held in Omaha on the 7th, 8th, and 9th June, 1921. Grand Master Joseph B. Fradenburg presided. The attendance of representatives of 235 of the 277 chartered Lodges was recorded. In his address the Grand Master referred to the deaths of 4 eminent Craftsmen: J. Newton Wise, Past Grand Secretary; James Robert Cain, senior, Past Grand Master; Michael Dowling, Past Grand Master; and Fred A. Howe, Deputy Grand Custodian.

During the year 1920-21, 3 Lodges were chartered and dispensations were issued for 6 new ones.

In regard to the Masonic Service Association the Grand Master said:—

“The national meeting of the association was held in St. Louis on November 9th, 10th, and 11th, 1920, and was attended by representatives of 35 Grand Jurisdictions. This Grand Body was represented by Past Grand Masters Keyser and Bullard and myself. The work already accomplished and the plans for the future were thoroughly discussed, and I am satisfied that there is a great future to the work undertaken, but, as everywhere else, we get out of it only what we put into it. The association stands ready to serve along educational lines in a manner which appeals to me most strongly, and it is incumbent upon us to take advantage of the opportunity offered by using the material which has been prepared for us and placing it before the Lodges of the State so that it can reach each individual Mason. In that way, and in that way only, can the association be of any service to the Craft. I would therefore recommend that the sum of \$100, or so much as may be needed, be appropriated for expenses necessary to put into effect a working plan which will bring to the Brethren the wonderful educational work of this association. I am thoroughly convinced that there is real work to be done by Masons of the United States, that the great strength of this Government lies in the education of its people, that concerted action is necessary to bring Masons to a realisation of their full duty, not only as Masons, but as citizens of the greatest country the world has ever seen, and it behooves us to keep abreast of the times and avail ourselves of every opportunity to keep Masonry in Nebraska upon the high standard which it has always maintained.”

He also warmly commended the cause of the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association.

The Masonic Homes at Plattsmouth and Fremont were, he said, “nearly all we could wish Masonic Homes to be.” He spoke of the need of a Masonic Hospital and put forward a project for the purchase of one already equipped and ready for operation. This proposal was referred to a special committee, to report at the next Annual Communication.

There had been a wonderful growth during the year 1920-1921—4,300 candidates were raised. The ritualistic side of Masonry had necessarily predominated, and little time had been left for social and educational work. But the Grand Master was not pessimistic over the outlook. “The material we have welcomed to our arms is the flower of the land.”

The Grand Secretary's report showed 277 chartered Lodges and 6 under dispensation; population on the 31st March, 1921, 34,647; net gain in a year, 3,841.

The annual "oration" was delivered by the Grand Orator, W. Brother Frank G. Smith—"an earnest inquiry into the origin, nature, and practical value of this Institution we love and represent." At the outset he modestly disclaimed the arts of oratory—nevertheless the address was fervid and eloquent. One of his concluding sentences was this: "I plead then to-day at this meeting of the Grand Lodge of our splendid State, I plead with all true Masons everywhere, for such an incarnation of the realities and vitalities of our Order as shall send us forth living apostles, read and known of all men."

Past Grand Master John A. Ehrhardt presented the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence—a review of the proceedings of 61 Grand Lodges—8 of the 61 covering two annual sessions. Brother Ehrhardt said that he had endeavoured to comply with the directions of the Grand Lodge in confining his reviews to 100 pages. He was better than his word—we find fewer than 60 pages—but the printing is fairly close, and the reviews, though framed in what may be called "telegraphic style," are by no means unsatisfactory. The proceedings of our Grand Lodge in 1919 are very briefly noted.

Lewis E. Smith, Long Pine, Grand Master.

Francis E. White, Omaha, Grand Secretary.

NEVADA.

The small but choice body of Masons styled the Grand Lodge of Nevada held its 57th Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, Reno, on the 8th and 9th June, 1921.

We read of no civic welcome to Grand Lodge; but "M.W. Bro. Walter E. Pratt, Regent of the State University, invited the members of the Grand Lodge and their families to visit the University during their stay in Reno, and presented to the Grand Lodge, in the name of Bro. Walter E. Clark, President, large bouquets of golden irises and pink peonies."

Grand Lodge met at noon, and was called from labour to refreshment at 12.30. The call to resume labour came at 2 o'clock and the report of the committee on credentials was then presented, from which it appeared that of the 23 active Lodges 20 were represented and that the number of members in attendance was 115.

Grand Master Harry H. Atkinson (in his portrait he appears almost youthful) then delivered his address, in which he referred to the passing of 3 distinguished Brethren—Past Grand Secretary J. D. Hammond and Past Grand Masters Merrill P. Freeman and Herman Davis. Memorials of these and other Brethren occupy a place in the volume of proceedings. "These have journeyed just beyond the sunset" and "In the Land o'Leal" are two of the appropriate headings used for the memorial pages. No Jurisdiction excels Nevada in this matter of memorials, and the same good taste is exhibited throughout the volume.

The Grand Master urged the monetary claims of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, and commended the educational programme of the Masonic Service Association. The Grand Lodge of Nevada holds membership in both.

The address is well-written and in every way excellent—full of wise suggestion, by which all Masons might well profit. We quote two paragraphs from this admirable document:—

"One could not have travelled over this very large and expansive State and have visited the Lodges and Brethren without being greatly impressed with the strength and stability of our Fraternity and the enthusiasm and interest of its members. The membership was enthusiastic over Masonry and the work done within the Lodge-room, and also exceedingly enthusiastic over the part that Masons as citizens should take in the affairs of the community, the State, and the Nation."

"It may be said that political and civic problems should not be discussed within the Lodge-room. That is very true when those discussions relate purely to matters affecting the best method of government or civic progress; but, when there is an attempt by people as members of our commonwealth to subvert our institutions, our existing system of law and order, and displace it by anarchy and a doctrine that might be right, then it is our duty as Masons and as a Masonic institution to put ourselves before the world openly, fearlessly, and unitedly as discountenancing any such false ideals.

When any attempt is made by any group or set of people to disrupt our institutions and endanger the peace and tranquility of our country by a course of action which has for its seeking an object and end inimicable to our welfare, and causing us to be embroiled in a war with a friendly foreign power on matters not of vital national import, then I feel that it is the duty of Masons to counter any such attempts and come to the aid of their country without faltering and without equivocation; for it is our mission to preserve the institutions and government under which we live, and any fraternity which fails in that object has ceased to justify its existence and should be thrown into the discard. Masonry, however, will never be thrown into the discard. This Union was a Masonic conception, was fathered and developed by men of Masonry of the highest Masonic ideals, has been protected by men of the same institution, and has come down down to us reared, fathered, developed, and preserved by men of our Fraternity. It is our duty then to emulate their example and to strengthen their wonderful work, thereby insuring to the world all the beauties of peace and prosperity, and giving to all the people in this country their rights and liberties of a government founded as a government by the people, of the people, and for the people."

The Grand Master hails from Tonopah, Nevada; we regret that we can tell no more of him personally than that; we have already hazarded the opinion that he is youthful.

The 23 Lodges have 2,313 members—net gain in a year 135.

Grand Secretary Edward D. Vanderlieth made a report in which he not only gave statistical information but "dropped into poetry," like our old friend Silas Wegg, and added this piece of good prose of his own, upon the State of the Craft:—

"The sterling worth of Masonry is being recognised as never before. From every Grand Jurisdiction come reports of phenomenal growth. The reports of our constituent Lodges show that this activity has reached Nevada. A gain in membership of 135 is shown, and 618 degrees were conferred by the Lodges during the year. A new Lodge has been instituted at Fernley; but, best of all, from every section we hear that the qualitative rather than the quantitative note is the dominant factor. Excellent and sterling must be the qualities of all seeking admission, and, with them, a well-defined purpose to serve God and His people. It is indeed gratifying to note that in this prosperity the purposes and objects of the Fraternity are carrying weight, and that emphasis is being placed upon the subjects of education and Americanisation. In 3 Lodges lectures have been given on "Clean Manhood," warning the young men of the dangers and diseases that blight and destroy. At our Tonopah Communication this Grand Body determined to fight this terrible evil, and it is to be hoped that every Constituent Lodge will

recognise its duty in looking to the health and happiness of our best and dearest. Four Lodges now have study-clubs and in 6 others plans are under way for their organisation. From 10 Lodges come reports showing that an active interest is being taken in our public schools. Masonry has always stood for education and enlightenment, and the Lodges should strive to promote, by all lawful means, the organisation, extension, and development of our free school system."

The year's oration was delivered by Grand Master Orator Edward A. Decker, of Carson City. He had no definite text for his discourse, but perhaps "the application of the doctrines of Masonry to the duty of the hour" fairly describes the tenor of his able deliverance.

In the afternoon of the second day of the meeting, the Grand Lodge was convened in Special Grand Communication at the little City of Sparks, and, with appropriate ceremonies, the corner-stone of a new Masonic Temple was laid.

The Report on Correspondence for the year ending on the 8th June, 1921, was prepared by Edward D. Vanderlieth, Grand Commissioner of Review, as well as Grand Secretary. This was his 18th review. Canada (in Ontario), 1920, is one of the Jurisdictions noticed and very pleasantly commended. In his conclusion he expresses the opinion that "the new growth in Masonry is a desire of comprehension, with view more tolerant and liberal." He is surely right.

Louis G. Campbell, Winnemucca, Grand Master.

Edward D. Vanderlieth, Reno, Grand Secretary.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

The proceedings before us are those of 1920. Writing in June, 1922, we are dealing with rather stale proceedings. The 53rd Annual Communication was held in St. John on the 27th April, 1920, with Grand Master Daniel Clifford Clark presiding. In his address he said that this was the end of his 3rd consecutive year of office as chief executive of Grand Lodge, and he highly appreciated the honour. In rendering an account of his official acts he gave an interesting description of the stupendous Peace Jubilee Communication held in Albert Hall, London, England, from the 23rd to the

29th June, 1919, which he attended in company with two Past Grand Masters, Dr. Thomas Walker and Dr. H. S. Bridges. This outstanding and historic gathering of Masons from all over the world he describes in glowing terms; but it is now almost ancient history.

One of the Grand Master's decisions covers a point which has not hitherto been raised, at least in our experience. His ruling was:—

“If a person has been elected to membership, and afterwards it has been found that he is an undesirable person to become a Mason, a Brother in the Lodge in which he was elected may give notice of a motion for reconsideration of the ballot, that notice of motion to be placed on the regular notice of the next meeting. And, on that motion being declared carried, a new ballot can then be taken.”

We do not find that this ruling was either approved or disapproved by Grand Lodge.

Among the departed Brethren was Past Grand Master John S. DeWolfe Chipman, who died in Toronto in September, 1919. He was Grand Master in 1907 and 1908.

The total membership of the constituent Lodges on the 27th December, 1919, was 4,345, and the increase during the year 362. These figures, the Grand Secretary said, were unprecedented. There appear to be 40 Lodges.

There is no correspondence report.

In 1921 the 54th Annual Communication was held in St. John, on the 26th April, Lieut.-Col. James D. B. F. MacKenzie, Grand Master, presiding. We note that the Grand Master in New Brunswick is Most Worshipful—a Past Grand Master is only Right Worshipful. The Most Worshipful read a very well-framed address, which contains nothing to interest readers in other Jurisdictions.

The Grand Secretary's report showed a total membership of 4,897 on the 27th December, 1920, and a net increase in that year of 537. The number of Lodges appears to be the same as above.

There is no correspondence report.

Lieut.-Col. J. D. B. F. MacKenzie, Chatham, N. B.,
Grand Master (re-elected.)

J. Twining Hartt, Ritchie's Building, St. John, N.B.,
Grand Secretary.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

In this State, Lodges of Instruction are Grand Lodge Communications. The volume of proceedings for the Masonic year ending in May, 1921, contains accounts of the Semi-Annual Communication held on the 28th December, 1920, the dedication of a hall on the 2nd September, 1920, 5 Lodges of Instruction, and the Annual Communication, held in May, 1921. At all these functions Grand Master Harry Goodenow Noyes, of Gorham, presided; he was indeed indefatigable in the discharge of the duties of his office. The Semi-Annual Communication held in Freemasons Hall, Manchester, is unimportant from the reviewer's angle of observation.

At the 132 Annual Communication (Concord, 18th May, 1921) the Grand Master in his address referred to the death, in Concord, in February, 1921, of John Francis Webster, who was born in Dorchester, Massachusetts, in 1837. He had a most remarkable Masonic career. "In the more than a century of organised Freemasonry in New Hampshire," said the Most Worshipful, "Brother Webster was one of two men who have ever been honoured with the holding of every presiding grand office." He was Grand Master in 1883 and 1884—a devoted attendant upon the meetings of Grand Lodge, he maintained his interest to the last.

Speaking of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, Brother Noyes said:—

"Your action one year ago in accepting my recommendation and placing an assessment of \$1 per member upon New Hampshire Masons gave to your representatives there this year a feeling of pride and satisfaction—pride, that little New Hampshire had blazed the trail for others to follow, and was the first Jurisdiction to raise, by a direct tax, the quota necessary. As a result of our action, other States are following our lead, and the funds needed will be assured."

This Grand Master enthusiastically supports the Masonic Service Association and is confident of its success in the future. He says that "the cost per capita is small and the benefit to be derived to Masonry is unlimited." We have recorded elsewhere the expression of an absolutely contrary view. Who shall decide where Doctors disagree?

The needs of the Masonic Home were insistently urged. The Grand Master said that it was difficult to keep within the funds available. "I most earnestly recommend," said he, "that we require every applicant for the degrees of Freemasonry to deposit with their fee for the degrees a cheque for \$10, payable to the Treasurer of the Masonic Home, to be used for a building fund and for meeting any deficiencies in the operation of the Home." This recommendation was unanimously adopted by Grand Lodge.

The Grand Secretary's statistics were: 80 Lodges, all of which made returns; membership, 13,344; net increase in one year, 1,097. Well done New Hampshire!

We find another excellent Correspondence Report—his 15th—prepared with much care and great skill by Grand Secretary Harry M. Cheney, P.G.M. The opening or introductory remarks are of such universal application and made in such a cheerful spirit that we must quote them, *pour encourager les autres*:—

"My 15th annual document is presented to you, in which I attempt to tell you something of that which our Brethren, in other states and countries, are doing, with once in a while an intimation of how they do it, by way of interesting contrast.

"In it all, I say to you, in advance, that you will find nothing startling, unless it be that in your fraternal conservatism your fears are aroused because of the great number knocking at our doors, seeking admission to our membership. These fears will be greatly soothed, if you will delve deep enough to find out the large number to whom the doors remain unopened. We have never seen our own Brethren so fixedly on duty. In New Hampshire, it takes a whole lot more than a wish and a willingness to pay to become a Freemason. There has got to be a good deal of manhood and character mixed up with the petitioner's name.

"So I am not worrying about this phase of our activity. To the good we can do good, and they can do good unto us. Let them come, if they can pass our final judgment.

"There seems to be a desire, easily discoverable, everywhere in the Masonic life, for our people to be counted in for the things that tends towards an uplift in human life. There is also, and I think it to be of still greater worth, an outstanding indication that our men are ready to fight for God, country, humanity, and brotherhood, as they have never been ready before.

"To put this in other terms, the path of individual duty is plainer than ever, and Freemasons are more anxious to tread it.

"You have a right to be increasingly proud that you are Master Masons, because of this.

"I hope that what follows will interest some of you for an hour or two."

And it will and does. It is all of the best, including a cheerful and kindly account of the doings of the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario) in 1920.

Walter Greenland Africa, Manchester, Grand Master.

Harry M. Cheney, Concord, Grand Secretary.

NEW JERSEY.

There was a very large attendance of members and also of visitors at the 134th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honourable Society of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of New Jersey, held in Crescent Temple, Trenton, on the 20th and 21st April, 1921.

The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Cooper H. Prickitt, of Trenton, after receiving distinguished visitors representing the Grand Lodges of Iowa, Pennsylvania, and Delaware, delivered his annual address, a short, well-written, and optimistic report upon the work of the year which closed with this Communication.

He congratulated the Craft upon its substantial growth and prosperous condition.

It is interesting to note his statement that during the year he had received from Lodges requests to pass upon 270 cases of visible physical defects; and had endeavoured to exercise a sound discretion, tempered with liberality. He had waived 244, refused 16, and 10 were still pending.

The Grand Master strongly favoured the continuance of membership in the Masonic Service Association, and also urged upon the Brethren the duty of supporting the cause of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association. Grand Lodge agreed with him.

We mentioned in our last review of New Jersey the case of Schiller Lodge, the warrant of which was arrested for contempt in refusing to obey the order of the Grand Lodge requiring all Lodges to do their work and keep their records in the English language. The Grand Master now said that he had hoped to be in a position to restore the warrant, but was reluctantly forced to report that he could not get a satisfactory assurance, that, if the warrant were restored, there would not be a repetition of the offences leading to its arrest. He recommended a reference to a committee. The matter was considered by a committee, and a report brought in on the second day of the meeting was adopted by Grand Lodge. The course recommended and adopted was the preparation by a special committee of charges against Schiller Lodge, to be considered, after due notice, at an Emergent Communication of Grand Lodge to be called for that purpose.

All true Masons will be glad to hear of an issue out of this difficulty. The situation is a most serious one, and it seems to us that no compromise is possible.

According to the report of Grand Secretary Isaac Cherry, the total membership of the Lodges on the 1st January, 1921, was 62,253, showing a net gain of 7,170. On that date there were (we think) 216 active Lodges. The figures are of course for 1920, which in most Jurisdictions was the peak-year. In 1921 the Lodges of New Jersey, as of other Masonic territories, may have had less remarkable gains, owing to business depression.

The man from Iowa, the great Schoonover, whose speeches we have been reading for two years and more, was the representative of Iowa at this meeting. He delivered an address on the Masonic Service Association, of which he is, like Mr. Swiveller, the "Perpetual Grand." One thing he said was this: "We take the doctrine of the Brotherhood of Man and we divide it into 5 parts, (1) Religious Liberty (2) Equality before the

Law, (3) Equality of Opportunity, (4) The Dignity of Labour, and (5) Charity—the principles which occupy the chief place in the ritual of our 3 degrees. They are the principles which were built into the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States; and, if you will stop to think about it, they cover almost every possible phase of the right relationship between man and man. What we propose to do is to take these 5 divisions of the Brotherhood of Man and place in the hands of your Grand Master an outline for a talk on each of these 5 subjects. In some cases we shall have motion pictures to accompany them, which will be available to your Grand Master. He will use these by organising some sort of a speakers' bureau in your Grand Jurisdiction, with the result that each one of these talks will be given in all your Lodges (or as many as it is practicable to start with) and bring this lesson home to every Brother in New Jersey."

The President of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, Past Grand Master Louis A. Watres of Pennsylvania, addressed the Brethren upon the subjects of the aims of the association and the means of reaching them. Among other things, he said that it was hoped that the corner-stone of the proposed Temple on Shooter Hill, Alexandria, might be laid at an early day by the President of the United States. (It has not yet been laid so far as we know). He also prophesied that the Temple, when erected, would be the rallying point for Masons from all over the world.

Grand Lodge voted recognition of the Grand Lodge of Hayti.

The reviews of the doings of Foreign Jurisdictions by Robert A. Shirrefs, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, were only 48 in number and were brief, though excellent. Canada (in Ontario) was not forgotten, the proceedings reviewed being those of 1920. The reviewer, unmindful of Dr. Johnson's characterisation of the punster, is very playful with the names of the present reviewer in this Province and his predecessor.

Ernest A. Reed, Trenton, Grand Master.

Isaac Cherry, Trenton, Grand Secretary.

NEW MEXICO.

Richard H. Hanna, Grand Master, presided at the 43rd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New Mexico, held in Albuquerque on the 21st, 22nd, and 23rd February, 1921.

One of the decisions of this notable Craftsman, mentioned in his very interesting address, was as follows—

“Temple Lodge on March 9, 1915, entertained the petition for affiliation of Leopold Meyer, a member of Acacia Lodge No. 372, Paris, France, working under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of France. The petitioner was permitted to visit Temple Lodge after being healed, by admitting a belief in God to be an essential Landmark of the Order, and after passing a satisfactory examination. After filing his petition, however, the petitioner found it impossible to secure a demit on account of prevailing war-conditions. He finally secured his demit and tendered it to Temple Lodge in an effort to complete his petition for membership therein.

“The question submitted by Temple Lodge was, whether, by reason of the fact that New Mexico does not recognise the Grand Lodge of France, the petitioner could be admitted as a member of said Lodge, and whether his vow and expression of faith would entitle him to such membership or to visitation only.

“Held, that the application for affiliation accompanied by the demit might be received by Temple Lodge and the petition balloted upon, provided the petitioner is first duly vouched for and passes a satisfactory examination; and further provided that he himself expresses a belief in T.G.A.O.T.U. as an essential Landmark.”

Regarding this decision, the Committee on the Grand Master's address reported that, in their opinion, no subordinate Lodge should “admit as visitor or affiliate any person coming from a Jurisdiction not recognised by this Grand Lodge.” This opinion was adopted by Grand Lodge.

The same committee had something to say about physical perfection:—

“In looking over the correspondence attached to the Grand Master's address, we find that the Grand Master has given his opinion that it was permissible to initiate a profane who had lost his leg below the knee. This does not appear as a ruling in the address, but we would hold that the opinion as given is decidedly against the law of this Jurisdiction. We also hold that a subordinate Lodge has no right to judge of the physical qualifications of candidates when in doubt, but the facts must be passed upon by the Grand Master. In this special instance, as is well understood, the applicant could not possibly comply with the letter and spirit of the ceremonies as prescribed by the ritual.”

This, too, was adopted.

The Grand Master commended the work of the Masonic Service Association and appealed for funds for the George Washington Masonic Memorial Association—the two great federal agencies of the Masons of the Republic.

The Grand Lodge of New Mexico adheres to recognition of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico and refuses to recognise any other Grand body in Mexico.

The Grand Secretary's report showed a total membership on the 31st December, 1920, of, 5,276, being a net gain of 515 for the year. There appear to be 51 Lodges.

On the 2nd and 3rd days of the Annual Communication, Deputy Grand Master Francis E. Lester presided, owing to the absence through illness of Grand Master Hanna. A resolution of sympathy was passed on the 3rd day.

There is a very good report by Brother John Milne, Committee on Foreign Correspondence. It is in form topical. There are numerous extracts from the reports and addresses made in other Grand Lodges. A list is given, in which Canada (1919) is included. There is much about Mexican Masonry in the report; we hope for developments in Mexico which will make recognition by all Grand Lodges an easy matter.

We quote Brother Milne's succinct conclusion:—

“A review of Masonry for the year reveals several interesting developments:—

“1. Numerically, Masonry experienced a phenomenal growth, probably due more to good financial conditions than to anything else. Some concern is felt for fear quality will suffer on account of the enormous influx of material.

“2. So-called 'higher-bodies,' in their desire for material, have stirred up a feeling of antagonism in Blue Lodges by soliciting candidates before men were eligible for 'higher degrees'. Wise heads are needed or damage will be done. There are plenty of antagonisms with forces wholly outside of the Order, to demand all of our attention.

"3. The regularity of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico is being questioned by an 'outlaw' organisation of that country. It is charged and it appears with some degree of truth, that Scottish Rite Masonry is backing the 'outlaw'. New Mexico's stand is clear-cut on this question, and was taken after careful investigation and mature deliberation.

"4. The Masonic Service Association has passed through the 'baby' period, and from all appearances will be a healthy, robust youth. We hope its first fear of taking a definite stand for school legislation of a progressive type will wear off. We shall favour the removal of 'Service' from the title unless it means just what the word implies.

"5. At a special communication of the Grand Lodge of England, to which representatives from our Grand Jurisdictions were invited for a peace celebration, England made warm Masonic friends. Representatives speak in glowing terms of the splendid entertainment and of the spirit of comradeship that was fostered at the meeting. It marked an epoch in international Masonic history.

"6. Public education, long neglected, is getting much needed encouragement from many Grand Lodges. This is an our forefathers in Masonry would have it."

Francis E. Lester, Mesilla Park, Grand Master.

Alpheus A. Keen, Albuquerque, Grand Secretary.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

We have before us "The Proceedings and 32nd Annual Report of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales of Antient, Free, and Accepted Masons, for the year ended June, 1920." The volume contains reports of 4 Quarterly and 2 Special Communications, and in the appendix are found Statistics of Lodges and members, Records of Mortality in the year, Register of Sister Grand Lodges, Report of Foreign Correspondence Report of Freemasons' Orphan Society, and Report of Freemasons' Benevolent Institution. These headings give a fair idea of the scope of the work of this Grand Lodge of New South Wales.

The total number of active Lodges is stated as 318, the total membership as 32,259, an increase of 4,276 since the last annual report.

The first Communication in the period covered by this report was a Special Communication of the Grand

Lodge, held on the 9th July, 1919, for the proclamation of the Grand Master, and the investiture of the Grand Lodge officers. The Brethren assembled in the Masonic Hall, Castlereagh street, Sydney; M.W. Bro. William Thompson, Grand Master (re-elected for a 6th annual term), presiding. His address on this occasion was short. In that respect it does not resemble the deliverances of Grand Masters on this side of the world, but the main subject of it and its treatment are found in many addresses delivered in Canada and the United States. "My whole term of 5 years," he said, "has practically been concurrent with the war. . . . Notwithstanding this world's calamity, the progress of Freemasonry in this Jurisdiction has been without parallel, for during those 5 years I have signed 13,272 Master Masons' certificates. I feel the more personal pleasure in this fact when I realise that, at my request made the day following my first installation, every Lodge without exception has its committee of investigation, and that the moral character and the mental fitness of every candidate are now the subjects of most careful inquiry and consideration. It should be the highest testimony as to character any man can possess to say he is a member of a Masonic Lodge, and we owe it not only to ourselves, but to Freemasonry all the world over, that only such are admitted as will do credit to our Institution—men whose lives are squared by those great virtues which form the foundation upon which our spiritual Temple is erected. Freemasonry owes its influence in the community to-day to the high standard of its membership, and we must never forget that the profane world judges us, after all, not by our best, but by our worst, and that one unworthy individual will exercise a malign influence that a hundred good men and true cannot counteract."

Admirably expressed, we venture to think.

At the first Quarterly Communication (September, 1919) the Grand Master referred to what he called "the conduct of the South". The phrase is far better than "The Fourth Degree," which has been both in Ontario and Manitoba stigmatised as vile, but seems to persist. We think we should quote his remarks. Things are not so different on the other side of the world:—

“As we all know, the South forms a very important part of our established customs, and I have noticed lately that certain directors of music seem to have been seized with a spirit of competition, each trying to do better than the other, so much so that a few months ago an attempt was made to introduce lady-singers at an installation-banquet in this hall; but, as we can control all that happens in this building, I gave orders that on no account were ladies to be admitted to installation-banquets. The other day, however, at an installation gathering in the northern suburbs, I understand ladies were present, took part in the singing, and seated themselves at the festive board. This is altogether wrong; our Lodges must learn to recognise the vital difference between installation-banquets and ordinary ladies' nights. We do not want ladies at our installation-banquets—they are totally out of place there—and I hope no other Lodge will try to excell in this particular regard.”

At the third Quarterly (March, 1920), the death of Sir Thomas Anderson Stuart, P.D.G.M., was referred to. This distinguished Mason, who was 64 when he died, was initiated into Masonry somewhat late in life, viz., in 1905. He was Master of his Lodge in 1910 and Deputy Grand Master in 1914-1916. The Grand Master said that Sir Thomas was “universally regarded as one of the leading public men in this continent, and the Sydney Medical School and the Prince Alfred Hospital constitute two outstanding monuments of his wonderful abilities and organising genius.”

An important movement was begun at this meeting. The Grand Master said that the year 1920 marked the centenary of the constitution of the first Masonic Lodge in Australia, and he thought the time was opportune for this Grand Lodge to follow the example of practically every other Grand Lodge in the world, and now take into earnest consideration the question of establishing Masonic Cottage Homes for orphans. He said, moreover, that there should be no distinctions in Masonic charity, “and the duty of supporting our orphans can only properly be discharged by imposing a capitation tax upon all our members.” As bearing upon this project, the Most Worshipful made a reference to finances in these words: “This Grand Lodge now possesses £81,000 in the Funds of Benevolence and General Purposes alone, or an increase of about £46,000 in the last 7 years. At that time we numbered 18,728 members; to-day we have quite 30,000 or an increase of approximately 12,000.” And he suggested a scheme,

which was referred to a special committee for consideration and report.

At the Special Communication of the 22nd June, 1920, nominations were made for Grand Lodge officers. For Grand Master there was only one nomination—William Thompson—and he was at the 4th Quarterly meeting, held on the following day declared elected. The Grand Secretary's report made at this Quarterly showed that for the 14th consecutive year every Lodge had made its returns and paid its dues. That is a very pleasant thing to read in a volume such as that before us. It is, however, but one of many things which will please the reader. We have not space for all; but the excellent printing and arrangement of the volume rendered our task of gaining a knowledge of its contents an easy one.

The committee on Foreign Correspondence consists of 4 Worshipful Brethren and V.W. Brother S. Scott-Young, chairman. The reviews are distributed among the 5 and appended initials indicate the hand which wrote each review. Flattering attention is given to the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario) in 1919, the reviewer being W. Bro. C. A. Elliott.

We repeat our remark of last year, that New South Wales Masonry presents the best features of both British and American Masonry.

Proceedings of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales of Antient, Free, and Accepted Masons for the year ended June, 1921. The 33rd Annual Report.

We are fascinated by this volume, a much larger one than the Grand Lodges of British Jurisdictions outside of Canada usually send forth.

By way of introduction, the Grand Secretary, Arthur H. Bray, of Sydney, gives us a summary of the contents of the volume, which contains the whole of the information as to facts and figures which we ordinarily with some difficulty extract from various parts of the volumes sent to us. The summary is not lengthy, but concise. Here it is:—

THIS VOLUME contains Reports of the Grand Lodge Proceedings in the following Communications:—

- Special, 12th August, 1920.
- Quarterly, 8th September, 1920.
- Quarterly, 8th December, 1920.
- Quarterly, 9th March, 1921.
- Special, 7th June, 1921.
- Quarterly, 8th June, 1921.

Also, in the Appendix:—

- Statistics of Lodges and Members.
- Records of Mortality in the Year.
- Register of Sister Grand Lodges.
- Report of Foreign Correspondence.
- Report of Freemasons' Orphan Society.
- Report of Freemasons' Benevolent Institution.

The total number of Lodges in active work is 357.

Subscribing members number 38,552, an increase of 6,312 since our last Annual Report.

Grand Lodge Funds.....	£49,558
Temple Funds.....	38,168
Benevolent Fund.....	51,327
Freemasons' Orphan Society.....	42,632
Freemasons' Benevolent Institution.....	31,073
Grand Master's War Fund.....	6,064

The territory is divided into Metropolitan and 34 Country Districts, under Inspectors, whose Quarterly Reports will be found embodied in these Proceedings.

“The regular meetings of the Grand Lodge are held at the Masonic Hall, Castlereagh Street, Sydney, to which all correspondence should be addressed.”

From a correspondence writer's standpoint, nothing better could be devised.

Freed from anxiety about facts and figures, and reversing the usual order, we begin with the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, of which Brother C. A. Elliott is Chairman. This is his foreword:—

“This year the Committee on Foreign Correspondence are trying a different plan. They know that in the past their reports have not been widely read, and, therefore, that those reports have failed to achieve one of their principal objects—the education of the Brethren. This year 9 short articles have been written, each dealing with an important subject, and indicating what is being thought or said or done in other Grand Jurisdictions. It is believed that these articles have been written in a sufficiently attractive style to make them interesting, as well as instructive, so that every Brother will enjoy hearing one of these articles read aloud in the Lodge. It is hoped that a copy of this report will be kept ready to hand in every Lodge, so that the Wor. Master may be able to use every otherwise unoccupied moment in affording light and guidance to the Brethren by telling them what is occurring in the big Masonic World, and bringing to their notice the questions and problems by which it is agitated.

“It is thought that if a copy of the article on ‘Masonic Poems’ is placed in the hands of the best elocutionist in each Lodge, the spread of Masonic thought and feeling may be still further stimulated during the proceedings in the South.”

Then follow the 9 short articles, the subjects being, French Masonry, Bolshevism, Masonic Education, Masonic Homes, Masonic Libraries and Museums, Physical Qualifications, Relief and Benevolence, The George Washington Masonic Memorial Association, and The Masonic Service Association of the United States of America.

Each article is signed with initials—it is easy to recognise C.A.E. as the Chairman, and W.E. as Brother W. Epps, but we have no clue to the identity of J.A.H.

The articles are excellent—wonderful indeed.

There is a 10th article—perhaps not an article—intituled “Masonic Poems,” and signed C.A.E. Quite a number of sets of verses are quoted, and, curiously enough, all are selected from the reports of Grand Lodges of the year 1920. We cannot forbear quotation of the verses giving a Golden Rule for Life. They are not new, but will bear repetition if we and others have quoted them elsewhere:—

“To live as gently as I can;
 To be, no matter where, a man;
 To take what comes of good or ill
 And cling to faith and honour still;
 To do my best, and let that stand
 The record of my brain and hand,
 And then, should failure come to me,
 Still work and hope for victory.

"To have no secret place wherein
 I stoop unseen to shame or sin;
 To be the same when I'm alone
 And when my every deed is known;
 To live undaunted, unafraid
 Of any step that I have made:
 To be without pretence or sham
 Exactly what men think I am.

'To leave some simple mark behind
 To keep my having lived in mind:
 If enmity to aught I show
 To be an honest, generous foe;
 To play my little part, nor whine
 That greater honours are not mine:
 This, I believe, is all I need
 For my philosophy and creed."

The Special Communication of the 12th August, 1920, was for the Installation of the Grand Master and in honour of the Centenary of Freemasonry in Australia. The meeting was in the town-hall of Sydney, and 4,000 Brethren were there. There was music, and there were speeches from distinguished visitors. The Grand Master installed was M.W. Brother William Thompson, who had been re-elected to his high office, and was presented by the Deputy Grand Master, on behalf of the whole Fraternity, with a portrait in oils of himself (the Grand Master) in his official Masonic clothing.

An historical sketch of Masonry in Australia was given by the Grand Master. The first Lodge chartered in Australia was at Sydney. It was constituted on the 12th August, 1920, under the Irish Constitution, and was designated "Australian Social Lodge No. 260, I.C." It is still in existence and known as "Australian Social Mother, No. 1," a strong and influential Lodge with a membership of 205.

In the Grand Master's address at the Quarterly Communication in June, 1921, we find an interesting statement. The situation developed is not without a comic side:—

"Temperance Lodges. My experience has shown me that when a new Lodge is practising Temperance principles merely under its by-laws, an agitation is set up after a few years seeking alteration, and much friction is engendered. When a Lodge applies for a charter on the plea that it is to be a Temperance Lodge, I have always made a

point of making a special endorsement upon the warrant to that effect. I recently received a letter from a country Lodge applying for permission to have this endorsement waived, on the grounds that 'many of the Brethren consider that they should be temperate away from the Lodge as well as in the Lodge, and, as most of them take a glass, they feel that they should not belong to a Temperance Lodge: in fact, one or two are not affiliating with us for that reason—and we have very few visitors, and they tell us because we are a dry shop.' All this would be amusing if it did not cast a deep reflection upon the Masonic spirit of the inhabitants of this particular locality. Masons who will not attend a Lodge only because they cannot there imbibe their alcoholic beverages, are better far outside the Institution altogether. I endorsed this application as follows: 'I regret very much the evidently changed ideas of the Brethren of this Lodge. They applied for a charter for a Temperance Lodge, and got it. If they now desire to abandon the principles upon which the Lodge was founded, they must decide to surrender this charter, thus closing the Lodge, and petition for a totally new Lodge.' I have had no further correspondence upon this subject."

We think the Grand Master's view rather narrow. We do not question his ruling, but his reflection on the "Masonic spirit of the inhabitants." It is one thing to go to a Lodge because you may there get something to drink, and another thing to find that the success of the banquet which usually follows a Lodge-meeting is imperilled by the absence of a "modest quencher." The banquet-room is the place where the Brethren get together and learn to know each other, and no stigma should be placed upon those who wish to make it attractive, so long as the law is not infringed, and there is no excess. In our experience in Canada, before we "went dry," there never was anything like excess at Masonic banquets.

William Thompson, Sydney, Grand Master (re-elected).

Arthur H. Bray, Masonic Hall, Sydney, Grand Secretary.

NEW ZEALAND.

This Grand Lodge is peripatetic like our own. The 32nd Annual Communication was held in the town-hall, Auckland, on the 11th and 12th May, 1921. M.W. Bro. Thomas Ross, Dunedin, Grand Master, presided. There were at that time 217 active Lodges on the roll, with a total membership of 17,245. The net gain in a year was 1,220. The retirement of M.W. Bro. Malcolm Niccol, P.G.M., from the office of Grand Secretary,

which he had held for 20 years, was announced. He had asked to be relieved on account of the disabilities incident to advancing years. R.W. Bro. George Barclay, of Dunedin, was at this Communication elected Grand Secretary. The month for holding the Annual Communication was, by a majority vote, changed from May to November.

Brother Ross was unanimously re-elected Grand Master, after which he was obligated, invested, enthroned, and proclaimed. He then delivered his address, in which he referred to the increase in membership, and stated that the Widows and Orphans and Aged Masons' Annuity Fund had increased during the year May, 1920, to May 1921, by nearly £11,000, the largest amount yet contributed to this fund in one year in the history of the Grand Lodge. Five new Lodges had been consecrated and applications were pending for the formation of 10 other new Lodges. The Grand Master referred to the valuable, interesting, and instructive work being carried on by the Lodges of Research. The eloquent conclusion of the address may be quoted:—

"We in this land of ours are only bringing about what every Grand Lodge with its millions of adherents in Europe, America, and Australia are eminently setting themselves to accomplish—preaching and practising toleration, bearing the burdens of the unfortunate, cheering the despondent, alleviating the distress of the sick, the aged, the widow, and the orphan; setting before every individual member his duty to his God, his country, and his fellow-man, to walk uprightly and deal honourably by all men.

"Is it too much for us to speculate on the future of Freemasonry—in the present age, when religions with their thousand "isms" seem to be losing their grip on the masses; when many openly profess their contempt for God, for country, and for all that makes society pure and moral, and government secure and stable? May there not be a great future for Freemasonry, with its humanitarian teachings and its toleration reaching out and taking in all religions, be they Christian, Jew, Moslem, Buddhist, or Brahmin? May not this great universal religion of ours—for it is a religion, with the great fundamental, the Fatherhood of the Great Architect—may it not in the near future be the means of uniting every nation and creed and class and colour? For be assured that then and then only will come the time predicted by our Brother the great Scottish genius—

"When man to man the world o'er
Will brothers be, and a' that."

Thomas Ross, Dunedin, Grand Master.

George Barclay, P.O. Box 664, Dunedin, Grand Secretary.

NORTH CAROLINA.

The proceedings of this Grand Lodge are always highly interesting. The interest is enhanced by the verbatim reports of many of the speeches made during the sessions. The Grand Lodge is perhaps unique in having an "official reporter," who is named with the Grand Master, Grand Secretary, and Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, as one of the executive officers. The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, of which Past Grand Master Henry A. Grady is Chairman, presents no review of the proceedings of other Jurisdictions, and at the Grand Communication of 1921 presented no report of any kind, so far as the record shows. In our view, the absence of a correspondence report is atoned for by abundance of interesting matter in the reports and addresses. At the meeting of 1921, the 134th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, held in Raleigh on the 18th, 19th, and 20th January, Grand Master William W. Galt of Virginia was enthusiastically welcomed and addressed the Brethren on various topics, one of which was the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, of which he and his Grand Jurisdiction are enthusiastic supporters. He also spoke modestly of his service of 43 years in the United States Navy, and said that his official Masonic life had begun after his retirement from active service.

The presiding officer at this Communication was Grand Master James C. Braswell, a physician practising in Whitakers, of whom something was told in our 1921 review of North Carolina's proceedings of 1920. His address was so good a one that it well deserved the encomium of the Board of General Purposes:—

"The address is in fine taste, strong, and comprehensive. We commend him for giving us just those suggestions which are needed, encouraging, and helpful. The account he gives of his year's service and activities is in such clear form that little additional can be said by those whose duty it is to make report upon it."

Some passages in the address are worth quoting because they deal with matters that seem novel. Take this, for example:—

"On November 2nd, I granted Mrs. Belle Ash Peck, a member of the Home Endowment Fund Board of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, permission to canvass the Lodges in this Jurisdiction in the interest of the Home. In this I may have overstepped my authority; if I have erred, it has been in charity's cause, and I have no apology to offer for such error."

It would certainly appear to have been an error, but we do not find that an apology was demanded.

The following brief paragraph reveals an extraordinary state of affairs in a private Lodge:—

"On October 21st, I arrested the charter of Mooresville Lodge No. 496. On July 6th, a petitioner was rejected at a stated meeting, and on the following day, at a special Communication, said petitioner was again balloted on, and accepted. Upon investigation by our Grand Secretary, he found that, as well as other flagrant violations of the Code, to be common practice."

As a set-off to this arrest, the charter of another private Lodge was restored.

In eloquent passages of the address the sympathy and co-operation of the Brethren were invited for the Oxford Orphanage, the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, the Masonic Service Association, and the George Washington Masonic Memorial Association.

Speaking of the growth and condition of the Order, the Grand Master said:—

"It is gratifying to note the growth, numerically and financially, of Masonry during the year. The Grand Secretary's report will show a greater activity than in any preceding year. Harmony, however, has not prevailed throughout this Jurisdiction. There have been some personal bickerings and dissensions among the Craft, of minor importance, and I take this opportunity of expressing my appreciation of the efficient service rendered by distinguished Brethren in harmonising these differences. In every instance the amende honorable was made, and I believe if the Masters of the Lodges will handle these occurrences in a firm but diplomatic way, friendship and brotherly love will characterise the Craft in this Jurisdiction."

The Grand Secretary's report gives the statistics: 447 chartered Lodges and 2 under dispensation; population on the 30th June, 1920, 32,925; net gain in a year, 2,600.

Brother Job Taylor, of Widow's Son Lodge, Roanoke Rapids, was the Grand Orator *pro hac vice*. His subject was "The Lost Soul." We give just a few words of an inspiring address: "To-day, here and now, in this great revolution of the spirit of the world, the soul of Masonry stands at the gate which swings both ways. Yonder is the golden throne of Masonry. The soul is seated there with gavel in hand. Behold! the gavel falls. The soul leaves the throne. See it going with faltering steps to the open door. It is on the threshold. It wavers. . . It is speaking. . . My fate rests in the hands of the gathered assembly! Let them act! Brethren, what is your answer? I know you will keep the soul. . . So many of us Craftsmen have been leaning on the greatness of Masonic antiquity, instead of creating new forces to display its soul and make more glorious its laurels of to-morrow."

The Grand Lodge was invited by St. John's Lodge, No. 3, to hold a Special Communication in the city of New Bern on the 19th January, 1922, at which time St. John's Lodge was to (and no doubt did) celebrate the 150th anniversary of the issue of its charter. In the written invitation read in Grand Lodge there is an interesting bit of history:—

"The charter is dated January 10, 1772, and is signed by Joseph Montfort, Provincial Grand Master for America, which original charter hangs on our wall to-day and under it we are working.

"Except for the original commission issued by Henry Somerset Duke of Beaufort, Grand Master of the Most Ancient and Honourable Society of Free and Accepted Masons, dated January 14, 1771, constituting Montfort Provincial Grand Master of and for America, which is owned by the Grand Lodge, this charter is the oldest Masonic authorisation extant in North Carolina, under which Masonic work is conducted.

"Our first Worshipful Master was Martin Howard, then Chief Justice of the Royal Colony, of whom we have recently secured an engraving, made after a portrait painted by the artist Copley in 1784, showing him as Chief Justice uniformed in his gown and wig, one of which we also wish to present to the Grand Lodge, as an engraving of a Colonial Mason, who held a high office, passing upon the property and lives of the citizens, and was one of the Fraternity, and on a level with its members.

"Further, I call to your attention the fact that St. John's Lodge, No. 3 (originally warranted as St. John's Lodge, No. 2), was

the first Lodge chartered by Joseph Montfort, of Halifax, North Carolina, Provincial Grand Master of and for America, it being antedated only by St. John's Lodge, No. 1, at Wilmington, and Royal White Hart Lodge, No. 2, at Halifax, who held their charters direct from the Grand Lodge of England, on whose rolls St. John's Lodge, No. 1, was originally No. 213, and Royal White Hart Lodge was originally No. 403."

A portrait engraving of Chief Justice Martin Howard was also presented by St. John's Lodge to Grand Lodge; and both invitation and portrait were enthusiastically accepted.

This interesting episode was appropriately followed by another of like significance.

The Royal White Hart Lodge, No. 2, mentioned above, petitioned Grand Lodge for aid in repairing the old Lodge building. Halifax is not a thriving town, and the members of the Lodge, only 41 in number, are not wealthy. The building is the oldest Masonic edifice in the State and one of the oldest in North America. Joseph Montfort was Master of the Lodge when, in 1771, he received his commission as Provincial Grand Master of America, and his grave is just outside the building. For historic reasons, repair and restoration, badly needed, should not, it was urged, be delayed. The estimated cost was from \$2,000 to \$2,500. The request was referred to the Finance Committee, who in their report recommended that it should be declined. Grand Lodge adopted the report. As far as we can discover, no reasons were assigned. Doubtless individual Masons will contribute to a fund which may be used for the desired purpose, which appears to be worthy of support.

In regard to Mexican Grand Lodges, the Grand Lodge de Valle of Mexico and the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, a special committee reported as follows:—

We find that the Grand Lodge of North Carolina has never extended recognition to any Grand Lodge in the Republic of Mexico, nor has it ever interdicted Mexican Freemasonry, but wisely left these matters with the Grand Lodge nearest to that Republic, who are more directly concerned and are better prepared to pass judgment upon the merits of such cases.

"From official and unofficial sources we learn that American Masons are in each of the Grand bodies, each one claiming a preponderance over the other; and, in view of these disputed facts, about which it is unnecessary now to express our opinion, we recommend that the matter of recognition and interchange of representatives with any Grand Lodge in the Republic of Mexico be continued."

The report was adopted. The question of recognition of one or both of these Grand bodies is a live one at the present time.

Other matters of importance came before Grand Lodge; but we must hasten on.

In accordance with an excellent custom, we find in the volume of proceedings a portrait and biographical sketch of the new Grand Master elected and installed at this Communication. John Bailey Owen was born in Virginia in 1863. He is the president of the Citizens Bank and Trust Company at Henderson, where he lives and works for his country and for the Craft, of which he is a distinguished ornament. His biographer writes thus of him:—

He has attended every Grand Lodge of North Carolina for a score of years. He is always present at the meetings of the directors of the Orphan Asylum. Nothing concerning the Craft is too insignificant for his watchful carefulness, nothing too large for his comprehensive grasp of Masonic law and precedent, nothing too difficult for his untiring energy and zeal."

J. Bailey Owen, Henderson, Grand Master.

Wm. W. Willson, Raleigh, Grand Secretary.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Continued and gratifying progress is noticeable in the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, and not only in the temperalities. The Grand Lodge convened for the 56th Annual Communication in Digby on the 8th June, 1921; Grand Master George Dewar Macdougall presiding. Grand Master J.D.B.F. MacKenzie of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick and some of the Grand Lodge officers were present as visitors and were accorded a distinguished welcome, immediately after the formal opening of the session. The Brethren then marched in procession to

Holy Trinity Church, Digby, where divine service was held at 11 a.m. The sermon was preached by the Reverend and Right Worshipful Brother William Duffield of Digby, acting Grand Chaplain and elected Senior Grand Warden at this Communication. The text was one susceptible of application to the circumstances of the day—"Thou shalt be called 'The Repairer of the breach, the Restorer of paths to dwell in'" (Isaiah, c.58, v.12). At the conclusion of the service the procession was reformed and the Brethren returned to the place of meeting.

Grand Secretary James C. Jones in his 1921 Report of Correspondence says something about this custom of attending church:—

"During the several years it has been our privilege to review the proceedings of sister Grand Lodges, we have come across many criticisms of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia holding divine service at the opening of our Annual Communications, principally owing to the fact that Freemasons are members of various 'sects or denominations.' In reply to these criticisms we would respectfully point out that we experience no difficulty in crowding the church 'to the doors' wherever this service is held, and why should this not be the case, for do we not teach the initiate that, before entering upon any great and lawful undertaking, he should first invoke the aid of Deity? Surely then, with the Holy Bible as our guide, and with the hymn-book of any special denomination, sufficient can be found to frame an attractive service to which all members of the Craft can subscribe."

The real objection, which however we do not consider formidable, is that all Masons are not Christians even in name. The expression "sects or denominations" is generally used with regard to the divisions of Christendom. If it be the case, as it well may, that a Jew is a member of Grand Lodge, he will naturally not be expected to join in Christian worship—but he may absent himself without offence being given or taken.

On the return of the Brethren to the Lodge-room, the Grand Master delivered his address, which began with a reference to the place of meeting.

"Digby," he said, "nestled on the southern shore of the historic Annapolis basin, offers an opportunity of linking ourselves with the early history of our Province and of Freemasonry. It will not be difficult for any of us in imagination, as we gaze through the famous

Digby Cut, to picture to ourselves the sails of the ships of the intrepid voyageur Pierre Du Gast, Sieur De Monts, and his companion, Samuel De Champlain, who, over 300 years ago, founded on the north-eastern end of the basin the famous Port Royal, the first white settlement in the North American continent. We have no certain evidence of any Masonic history among the French settlers, although tradition has intimated that the Royal Art crossed the Atlantic with the first emigrants, and was known in Nova Scotia while this Province was in the hands of the French.

"We do know that a Lodge, regularly chartered, existed in Annapolis Royal in 1738 and in Digby in 1784. There were, as one would naturally expect, the ups and downs, with broken records, consequent upon a young and sparsely settled country. But the lamp of Freemasonry continued to glow, and a sure and firm foundation was established when in 1870 the Lodge King Solomon, No. 54, whose invitation caused us to meet here, was chartered by the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia."

The Freemasons' Home, for aged Masons and their wives, situated at Windsor, was, the Grand Master said, in satisfactory condition, and in a better financial position than it had been.

The following words, taken from the Grand Master's address, seemed to promise some light upon a subject that interests us, but we do not find in the printed proceedings that any action was taken or indeed any further reference to the subject. The Grand Master was dealing with questions submitted to him for decision:—

"You will note questions again asked in regard to the establishment of the Order of the Eastern Star, and I am advised that a Chapter of the Order has been instituted in Annapolis Royal. The pronouncements have up to this time always been against the creation of feminine bodies; and, while Grand Lodge has no jurisdiction, theoretically, over the Order, it has jurisdiction over members of subordinate Lodges in their connection with any other body. The membership of the Eastern Star includes men whose qualifications are that they must be Master Masons in good standing, and I am advised (I do not know how corectly) that it is necessary that Master Masons be present. In order to clarify the situation, it might be well for Grand Lodge at this time to make some pronouncement on the subject."

The questions were asked by Annapolis Royal Lodge No. 33, and were as follows:—

(1) Has the Grand Lodge jurisdiction over the establishment of the Order of the Eastern Star in Nova Scotia?

(2) May Lodges of Nova Scotia officially recognise the O.E.S.?

(3) May Lodges sublet or grant the use of their rooms to O.E.S. in Nova Scotia?

The Grand Master's answers were:—

“(1) No. The Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia has jurisdiction only over the subordinate Lodges of A.F. & A.M. of its obedience, and hence over the relation of these bodies and its members with all other bodies of whatever nature.

“(2) No. This question has been answered several times. See Proceedings 1920 and Proceedings 1905, page 27 and also page 96.

“(3) I do not know that there would be a prohibition of Lodges granting the use of their rooms for other than Masonic meetings if the ruling of Laurie, G.M., was adhered to, which is that ‘all Masonic insignia should be removed when meetings other than Masonic are held, and provided further that the meetings do not conflict with the principles of Freemasonry.’”

The answer to the third question would not in many Jurisdictions be considered sound.

Speaking of the state of the Craft in Nova Scotia, the Grand Master said:—

“I am glad to report that my observations throughout the Province, confirmed by reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters, give ample evidence of the prosperous condition of the Craft in this Jurisdiction. The increase in membership from 6,223 in June, 1911, to 8,781 in June, 1921, or about 40 per cent. in 10 years, is encouraging.

“However, it should be borne in mind that more than one-half of this increase occurred in the years 1919-1920 and 1920-1921. I am constrained to believe that we have reached the high watermark in membership increase, and that in all probability for some years to come the numerical gains will not be so large. This, however, is not an unhealthy sign, but really a reflex action (similar to that experienced in the industrial life of the country), which may in the end be beneficial.”

The report of the Grand Secretary showed 77 chartered Lodges and 2 under dispensation; membership, 8,781; gain, 648.

The Grand Historian, J. Plimsoll Edwards, made a very interesting report, in which he referred to the good work of the Nova Scotia Lodge of Research. “The history of the Craft in this Province,” he said, “is one of exceptional interest—far and away surpassing that of

any other Jurisdiction in Canada." The report was adopted, including the following recommendations:—

“(a) That each subordinate Lodge be urged to appoint a committee of two or three members to write the history of the Lodge, in collaboration, if desired, with the Grand Historian and the Secretary of the N.S. Lodge of Research.

“(b) That the incoming Grand Master and Grand Historian be authorised to arrange for the compilation of an index of all the historical documents belonging to Grand Lodge, and to submit an estimate of the cost of printing such index to the next meeting of Grand Lodge.

“(c) That Grand Lodge be requested to consider the report of the special committee of this Lodge respecting the striking of a bronze medallion to be awarded for special services rendered the Craft.

“(d) That a grant of \$100 be made towards the cost of printing the fifth volume of the Transactions of this Grand Lodge.”

A resolution that “suitable regalia for the Grand Historian be purchased” was carried. We note this in no spirit of envy.

We have already mentioned the Fraternal Correspondence Report of Grand Secretary James C. Jones. We now add that he has reviewed the proceedings of 61 Grand Jurisdictions with care and evident enjoyment of his work. We are glad to see a Canadian taking a high place at the phantom Round Table. The review of “Canada (in Ontario)”, proceedings of 1920, is full and discriminating.

John Murray Lawson, Yarmouth, Grand Master.

James C. Jones, Halifax, Grand Secretary.

OHIO.

“My immediate predecessor reported the largest net gain in membership in the history of our Grand Lodge. This year the report of the Grand Secretary will show a net gain of 15,177, the gross gains being within 1,112 of last year, the losses being larger by 124 than those of the previous year, and there being an increase of 248 alone in suspensions for non-payment of dues, the total number of which was 995. The total membership at the present time is 163,657. A comparative statement of the membership for the past several years would indicate that our growth is in a healthy condition and fast approaching the normal state. I do not believe that we should point with an all-consuming pride to our numbers, but rather let us hope that those numbers contain the qualities that go to make good Masons.”

So said the Grand Master of Ohio Masons in his address at the opening of the 112th Annual Grand Communication, held in Cleveland on the 19th and 20th October, 1921, and he might have added that the number of Lodges had grown from 576 to 587—for that we find is the case.

On the 19th October, the record says, the officers and members of Grand Lodge met at the Hollenden Hotel, Cleveland, and were escorted by detachments from the several local Commanderies of Knights Templar to the magnificent new Masonic Temple in Euclid avenue, where the session was held.

The Grand Master from whose address we have quoted was John R. Flotron, of Dayton, and the address contained an admirable presentation of the affairs of Grand Lodge.

It was with profound sorrow that he reported the invasion by death of the hitherto unbroken line of 28 Past Grand Masters. A year ago we noted that "the eminent Craftsmen who have filled the great office of Grand Master during the past 28 years are all alive." Lewis Philip Schaus, the first to go, died at his home in Columbus in December, 1920. He was born in Ohio in 1851. He was a practical stone-cutter and became a successful contractor for the erection of stone buildings. He was Grand Master in 1905, and was active and prominent in other branches of Masonry as well.

Speaking of the Masonic Home, the Grand Master said that with the increase in Masonic membership an increase in the number of residents in the Home was naturally to be expected, and indeed the Home was now crowded and there was a waiting list. "The institution," he said, "will be required for a number of years to erect buildings suitable for the care of additional people, and the Grand Lodge, in its wisdom, made provision for this by the creation of a building fund."

A special report of the Trustees of the Home explained that the project of building a hospital as an adjunct to the Home had not been abandoned; the erection had merely been postponed on account of the high cost and the inadequacy of the building fund to meet it.

The Committee on Masonic History made a very interesting report. Three volumes of the History of the Grand Lodge of Ohio had appeared, and the recital of events had been brought down to the year 1912. The principal labour of the committee had been the accumulation of data against the time when Grand Lodge should decide to add another volume to the three published. In the not very lengthy report of the committee there is a great deal of valuable historical information—chiefly biographical. for the committee opine, and we agree, that "history has its very pith and essence in biography."

There was a special report by the standing Committee on Foreign Correspondence, in which the recognition of the United Grand Lodge of Queensland was recommended. In regard to Mexico, the committee said that from the information furnished they were unable to solve the question which arose, viz., which of the two Grand bodies, the York Grand Lodge and the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, should be considered the legitimate or sovereign Grand Lodge of the Republic of Mexico. They recommended further investigation and the postponement of action until the next Annual Communication. Both recommendations were adopted.

The Chairman of this Committee is our old friend O. P. Sperra, of Ravenna, who was Grand Master as long as 1903, and is still quite vigorous. It was he who prepared the general Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence—a series of remarkable reviews of the proceedings of 62 Grand Lodges, of which alas! Canada (in Ontario) is not one. Our volume for 1920 should have been before him, if not that of 1921; but we shall not be surprised to hear that it miscarried in the course of post or that some friend of Brother Sperra's borrowed it and (fascinated with its contents) neglected to return it. We beg to quote the pleasant conclusion of Brother Sperra's series of reviews:—

"We have again submitted the annual review of the various Grand Jurisdictions with which the Grand Lodge of Ohio holds official intercourse. In the survey of these Jurisdictions we are much impressed with the constant effort being made to keep and maintain the principles of the Order in that high degree of efficiency that its founders intended and desired. From everywhere that Masonry exists comes the universal message of large increases in

membership, and a local interest far in excess of that which has gone before.

“It is a refreshing relief from the tiresome journey to learn of the efforts of Officers and Brethren to keep Masonry before the world as an extraordinary adjunct to good citizenship and moral development. The charity taught has increased in effort and usefulness, which leads us to quote:—

“A flower bestowed on a giftless child,
A word in defence of some Brother reviled,
The charity given, where want invites,
All these are poems that nobody writes’.”

The newly elected and installed Grand Master is Frank N. Ransbottom, a native (born 1873) of Ohio and resident of Zanesville, where he is president of an industrial company and director of many financial institutions—a warm man and an able one, we judge from his portrait and the few facts that are given in a brief biography. Initiated in 1896, he has had a very active career in all branches of Masonry.

Frank N. Ransbottom, Zanesville, Grand Master.

J. H. Bromwell, Cincinnati, Grand Secretary.

OKLAHOMA.

The 13th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of the State of Oklahoma was held in Oklahoma City on the 23rd and 24th February, 1921. Indian Territory, we are again reminded, became first Oklahoma Territory and then the State of Oklahoma, and the Grand Lodge twice changed its name accordingly, so that this was in reality the 48th Annual Communication of what was originally the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory.

Frank Alvin Derr, of whom we told something a year ago, presided as Grand Master and made a good address from which we quote a few paragraphs:—

“It is a pleasure to report that the past year has brought our ancient Fraternity not only a marvellous prosperity, but also that delightful state of peace, harmony, and concord which so beautifully portrays the spirit of the Brotherhood of Man.

“While we may enjoy a merited satisfaction at the marvellous growth Freemasonry is now enjoying, let us not forget that this very growth is bringing to us an overwhelming responsibility that cannot be denied or evaded.”

In announcing the death, in November, 1920, of Brother Nash, who was born in New Orleans in 1837, and was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory in 1885, 1886, and 1887, the Grand Master said:—

“It having been learned that Florian Harden Nash, Past Grand Master, was ill, and that there was little hope for his recovery, the announcement of his death did not come altogether as a surprise, and yet undoubtedly the time will never come when the announcement of the death of our loved ones will not be to us a dreadful shock. And it was with sorrowful hearts that we learned that this venerable and much loved Past Grand Master of our Mother Grand Lodge had passed away at his home in Fort Gibson, Oklahoma, November 20, 1920.”

Among rulings or decisions recorded we find the following:—

“Question: Should the petition of an applicant 67 years of age be rejected? Please explain ‘Dotage.’ Answer: ‘Dotage,’ meaning ‘feebleness of understanding or mind, particularly in old age,’ cannot be determined by the age of the candidate alone. The Lodge must determine for itself whether the applicant is qualified.”

(Most of the foreign correspondents will sit up at the suggestion that a man of 67 is an old man.)

“Held, that a Lodge has the right to refuse to confer the degrees upon objectionable material when requested to do so as a fraternal courtesy to another Lodge.”

“Held, that a non-affiliate whose petition for membership has been rejected, may immediately refile his petition for affiliation without waiting any lapse of time.”

“Held, that a dwarf, who is otherwise physically qualified is eligible to receive the degrees of Masonry.”

This Grand Lodge, like some others, uses the services of a stenographer to preserve the speeches made at the sessions, and so the report before us is very full and quite informing.

The Grand Secretary's figures are given as of the 1st January, 1921. The number of Lodges appears to be 440; the population had, at the date mentioned, grown from 40,545 in 1920 to 48,432—a net gain of 7,787. There are 11 Lodges which have each more than 500 members. It was said by the Grand Secretary, Brother William M. Anderson, that the year 1920 had not only

been prosperous in numbers, but "satisfactory in our general growth in sentiment for more and better work than we have done in the past."

The Committee on Correspondence reported against the recognition at present of both or either of the Grand Lodges of Mexico and also against the recognition of either of the Grand Lodges of France; and the reports were adopted.

One burning question before Grand Lodge was whether the Masonic Home should be removed from Darlington to Guthrie, a large city. This was vigorously debated. In the end the project of removal was negatived, and it was decided by a majority vote taken by ballot that the construction of new buildings at Darlington should be begun at once and pushed to an early completion.

The Grand Orator, Brother Henry S. Johnson, delivered a very able and interesting address on "the Master Mason's Degree."

James Henry Patterson, elected and installed as Grand Master at this Communication, was born in Texas in 1862. In 1896 he settled in Keokuk Falls, Oklahoma, and carried on business there and afterwards at Henryetta, where he had a department store. When the great war came, his two sons joined the colours, he sold the business, and has since devoted himself to farming and ranching. His biographer ends the account of Bro. Patterson's business and Masonic career with two paragraphs of appreciation:—

"Brother Patterson's hobby, outside of Maonic work, is live-stock, and his knowledge of what goes to make up a fine cow is as accurate as his knowledge of the esoteric work of the Masonic degrees. He puts his business down as 'Breeder of Pure Bred Cattle,' and he knows his business.

"For many years past he has divided his work about fifty-fifty between his ranch and farms, and Freemasonry. Nothing pleases him better than to hold a school of instruction night after night with a country Lodge. He loves Masonry and, of course naturally loves his Brethren. He is quiet and unassuming, never frustrated, and never impatient. He is an honest, sincere man and Mason, and will make a Grand Master of whom we shall all feel proud."

The reports of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence were presented by Brother Thomas Chauncey Humphry, of Hugo, Oklahoma. The report reviewing the doings of other Jurisdictions is prefaced by a portrait of the distinguished scribe; and we are at no loss to recognise in his expressive countenance evidences of the pawky humour which characterises his written deliverances. By way of introduction he mentions his age (which he does not look) and tells us that he was made a Master Mason in 1871. He has given 16 years of service to Grand Lodge as reviewer. His reviews in this volume of proceedings are professedly brief, but will prove satisfactory, we think, to seekers of information and entertainment. Our Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario) receives flattering attention in a review of our proceedings of two years, 1919 and 1920.

James Henry Patterson, Prague, Grand Master.

William M. Anderson, Oklahoma City, Grand Secretary.

OREGON.

The brief biography of William Jasper Kerr, Grand Master of Oregon Masons in 1920-21, discloses something that marks a difference between our Grand Lodge and Oregon's. Brother Kerr was born in Richmond, Utah, in 1863, had his schooling there, proceeded to the State University of Utah, and afterwards to Cornell University, New York. He became a teacher, served as city superintendent of public schools in Utah, and was professor of mathematics and astronomy in the State University of Utah. From 1900 to 1907 he was president of the Utah State Agricultural College, and from 1907 to the present time he has been president of the Oregon State Agricultural College. He did not become a Mason until 1912, but has been rapidly advanced, no doubt by reason of eminent ability, the existence of which may well be inferred from his portrait and his address. Our Grand Lodge is composed of the Masters and Wardens for the time being of all the constituent Lodges and of all Past Masters of Lodges. Not so the Grand Lodge of Oregon, for we find that Brother Kerr was Grand Marshal in 1913, Grand Orator in 1914, and 1915, and Senior Grand

Deacon in 1916, while he did not reach the chair in his own Lodge until 1916. Probably he was a delegate to Grand Lodge chosen by his own Lodge while still a "side-bencher"—and this is, we suspect, the fashion in many of the United States Jurisdictions.

The 71st Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Oregon was held in Portland on the 15th, 16th, and 17th June, 1921.

In his address, after referring to the large increase in membership, the responsibilities and even dangers arising therefrom, and the necessity for Masonic education, Grand Master Kerr announced the death of "our beloved and honoured Brother, Past Grand Master Kiddle." From the report of the Committee on Necrology we learn that Brother Edward Kiddle died at his home, Island City, Oregon, in December, 1920, at the age of 58 years. He was born in Illinois and first saw Masonic light in Kansas.

The Masonic and Eastern Star Home of Oregon is not yet in existence, but considerable sums have already been raised and expended for it, and a campaign to raise an additional fund of \$200,000 for buildigs, equipment, and endowment, has been undertaken with good prospects of success. This was one of the principal subjects of the Grand Master's address.

In recommending the adoption by the Grand Lodge of a resolution re-affirming unqualified loyalty to the public school system and endorsing the Smith-Towner bill then pending before Congress, the Grand Master made some striking remarks which we must quote:—

"As one eminent writer recently declared, 'Our citizenry must be aroused to a proper interest in our Government and what it does and what it stands for, and a proper appreciation of the constitution and how it safeguards liberty, equality, and fraternity.' There are in the United States some 15,000 Masonic Lodges with a membership approximating 3,000,000. It is to these devotees of Masonic ideals that the nation must look for the required leadership in this great work. It has been ever thus. Masons have manned the helm of the Ship of State in every great crisis of our history. Fifty-two of the 56 signers of the Constitution of the United States were Master Masons, most of them Past Masters. With the exception of 4, all the Presidents of the United States have been Master Masons, and

most of them Past Masters; among them, Washington, Lincoln, McKinley, Garfield, Roosevelt. Other great leaders from the foundation of the Government, as Benjamin Franklin, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Alexander Hamilton, Paul Revere, Past Grand Master of Massachusetts, Joseph Warren, also Past Grand Master of Massachusetts, John Marshall, John Hancock, were all devotees of the Craft.

"In more recent times there are striking examples of the influence of Freemasonry in the defence of the schools and the Government. In 1920, the school-board of one of our larger cities announced a campaign for securing funds for the support of their public schools. An official of a prominent church declared that if the amount were not reduced by \$2,000,000 the proposition would be defeated. The Masons accepted the challenge, inaugurated a campaign, and presented the issue to the people. The result was that the measure carried by a vote of 15 to one.

"Again in 1919, when the I. W. W. uprising threatened the municipal and county governments at Seattle, it was only after Masons had gone on record and pledged their active support of law and order that the Mayor took the determined stand that saved the situation.

"Little is known by the general public of what Freemasonry has done in the establishment and development of the institutions of the United States. Yet, as I have briefly suggested, leaders in Freemasonry have been the guiding spirits that have led the nation through many a crisis. In the important matter of education, a crisis is now upon us. At the present time there are forces anti-Masonic that are seeking to undermine the free public school system of the United States. This movement is nation-wide, and to combat it the united, active efforts of Master Masons throughout the country are required."

A resolution to the suggested effect was accordingly framed and submitted, which was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The 27th annual report of Past Grand Master James F. Robinson as Grand Secretary gives much information about the affairs of Grand Lodge. There were at the date of the report 147 chartered Lodges and 5 under dispensation, with 21,112 members, showing a net gain during the year of 2,942. The largest Lodge has a membership of 1,148 and the smallest of 13.

There was, as last year, an interchange of visits between this Grand Lodge and the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. From expressions such as, "Our relations have always been of the very closest," and "These great organisations are working together in

the cause of mankind," we might infer that there was some kind of official connection, but doubts are dispelled by the wise words reported as spoken by Sister Leonora Kerr, wife of the Grand Master, and Foreign Correspondent of the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star:—

"Most Worshipful Grand Master: We, this Committee, come to you, not only as representatives of the members of the Order of the Eastern Star of our great State, but also as representatives of the largest organisation in the world which admits women to its membership. Any good Mason may become a member of the Eastern Star, but no matter how good an Eastern Star member may be, she cannot become a Mason. We have never known why and we wonder if King Solomon himself could give us the reason. While we cannot be a part of Masonry, assume its responsibilities or enjoy its privileges, we are happy as wives, daughters, mothers, and sisters of Master Masons, to be co-workers with this great Masonic Order in the cause of humanity. As co-workers, we bring you greetings and this beautiful bouquet of flowers."

In response to wired greetings from the Grand Lodge of Iowa, in session at the same time, the Grand Lodge of Oregon sent a reciprocating message, adding, "Our session is the largest and most important in our history."

The Grand Orator, W. Bro. Percy R. Kelly, spoke on "The Questions at the 'Threshold,'" i.e., the threshold of Masonry. The address was a thoughtful and vigorous one.

The title of honorary Past Grand Master was conferred on Bro. J. R. N. Bell, who had served as Grand Chaplain for 44 years.

Past Grand Master David P. Mason of Albany, Oregon, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, presented a thorough and careful review of the proceedings of many Jurisdictions. This was his 10th annual report, and he wrote as if he enjoyed the work. In his introduction he pithily says: "We want to preserve the fundamentals, but to be free from the tyranny of traditions in non-essentials." He commends the work of the Masonic Service Association. One problem is solved, he says, "by putting the per capita tax in a reserve fund to be called for by the M.S.A. only when needed." And he has "every reason to think that the great memorial at Alexandria will speedily be completed

to the honour of Washington and the inspiration of all American Masons."

Under the head of "Canada in Ontario, 1920," Brother Mason, quoting Grand Master Harcourt's remarks about the Order of the Eastern Star, endeavours to allay apprehension thus:—

"It would appear that England and Canada have no real Eastern Star Chapters or that Masons in these countries are uninformed of their nature. The Eastern Star is Masonic, just as the Shrine is Masonic—only Knight Templars of Scottish Rite Masons are eligible to the latter, and only Masons and the wives, daughters, and sisters of Masons to the former. A basis of membership, no connection with the secret work of Masonry."

This is re-assuring. We feel that we are progressing in our search for the missing link. We still, however, lack a definition of "recognition."

Frank S. Baillie, Multnomah Hotel, Portland, Grand Master.

James F. Robinson, Multnomah Hotel, Portland, Grand Secretary.

PENNSYLVANIA.

The volume for the Masonic year 5920, which coincides with the calendar year 1920, is before us. Brother John S. Sell is the Right Worshipful Grand Master, and is found presiding over 4 Quarterly and the Annual Communication, all held in Philadelphia—the City of Brotherly Love.

The first Quarterly was held on the 3rd March, 1920. The Committee on Appeals reported an extraordinary case, that of the suspension from a Lodge of a Brother for "gross unmasonic conduct." The gravamen of the offence alleged was that the accused Brother had charged the Master and Secretary of the Lodge with having offered insult to Master Masons' wives and daughters. The Lodge was a "German Lodge," that is to say, the work was generally conducted in the German language. The accused asked the Master to conduct the Masonic burial service, at the funeral of a deceased member of the Lodge, in the English language, and the Master at first

agreed to do so, but afterwards, as the accused understood, retracted his agreement. The request for a Masonic funeral was withdrawn, for the reason, as stated by the accused, that the wife and family of the deceased Brother did not understand German; and there were no Masonic services. This was in 1918. At the next regular meeting of the Lodge after the funeral the accused offered a resolution to the effect that the business and work of the Lodge should in future be transacted in the English language. A violent discussion ensued, in which the accused was alleged to have said that he offered the resolution "so that the Master and Secretary could not insult Master Masons' wives and daughters in the future."

All this occurred while American soldiers were in daily combat with the Army of the German Emperor, and while all over the land the use of the German language in the schools, in the churches, and in meetings of various kinds, was being discontinued by common consent; and, as a matter of fact, had since been discontinued in this very Lodge, at the request of the Grand Master. The Committee, very moderately and sensibly, found as follows:—

"Without doubting in the least the loyalty of the members of — Lodge, it seems to your committee that, even if it be admitted that the attitude of the accused was arrogant when he presented and discussed his resolution, and even if, in the heat of the discussion, he used language which would have been better left unsaid, your committee are unable to find anything on the record which justifies his suspension for gross unmasonic conduct."

The committee recommended that the accused's appeal from the suspension should be sustained and the accused restored to membership—and this was adopted by Grand Lodge.

At the Quarterly Communication of the 2nd June, 1920, some distinguished visitors were present, among whom was Past Grand Master George L. Schoonover of Iowa, but we do not find it recorded that when he addressed the meeting (as he did) he said anything about his favourite child, the Masonic Service Association.

Bequests form such an important and substantial part of the business of this Grand Lodge that something

is reported at almost every Quarterly meeting either as to a new bequest or the realisation of an old one. On this occasion it was announced that Brother Albert Franklin Young, of Williamsport, who died in March, 1920, had bequeathed \$25,000 to the Grand Lodge in trust to invest and apply the annual income for the support of the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania.

The report of the Grand Secretary, presented at the third Quarterly, on the 1st September, 1920, showed that on the 27th December, 1919, there were 513 Lodges, with a total membership of 151,377, and a net increase of 14,764 in 1919.

The annual election of Grand Officers took place at the fourth Quarterly, on the 1st December, 1920. Brother John S. Sell was re-elected Grand Master. Many financial reports were presented at this meeting. Millions of money are mentioned easily and almost casually in these reports. We confess that we have not grasped the financial situation—we find the large figures and the many separate trust funds somewhat bewildering. But it is not difficult to see that the securities are well cared for, and that the enormous income is devoted to worthy objects.

The report of the Temple Committee is interesting. Many improvements had been made in the building during the year. Among other things, all the oil paintings and mural decorations of the Grand Banquet-room were "cleaned and restored by a competent artist". More than 5,000 persons, including artists, architects, and students, from all parts of the United States and various foreign countries, were conducted on pilgrimages through the Temple (Philadelphia) by the secretary of the committee, "and our Temple was pronounced by all the most beautiful building devoted to solely Masonic purposes that it has ever been their pleasure to visit."

The Committee on the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown reported that the year ending on the 15th November, 1920, had seen a notable addition to the buildings—the "Alleyberry County Memorial Building," presented by the Masons of that county and dedicated on the 31st May, 1920.

More bequests were announced at this meeting. There is no doubt that one gift suggests another. It only needs a beginning.

The Annual Grand Communication was of course held on St. John the Evangelist's Day, the 27th December, 1920. Only 112 Lodges of the 513 were represented.

Grand Master Sell, in his address, gave the Masonic Service Association "a black eye" in the following words:

"The Masonic Service Association of the United States, of which this Grand Lodge is a member, thus far seems to be in an embryonic state.

"At this time your Grand Master would hardly be warranted in expressing his own personal opinion, much less in giving an official expression, on this subject, except to state that, while the aims and purposes as set forth in its constitution and its reports coming to us from time to time may be and are no doubt laudable and proper in other organisations, yet many of these do not coincide with the Customs and Landmarks of Freemasonry as approved by this Grand Lodge.

"It may also be pertinent to note that in associating with this organisation we, to some extent, surrender our sovereignty, in that we submit to such taxation, within certain limitations, as may from time to time be levied.

"It may also be proper to state that the cost of administration of the affairs of the association up to this time has been approximately \$25,000, of which sum this Grand Lodge has paid \$4,098. Not all of the Grand Lodges have joined the association, and some have withdrawn from it."

This was mildly countered by Past Grand Master Louis A. Watres of Pennsylvania, who said:—

"While in a certain sense it may be said that Pennsylvania could get along without the association, it is proper to say that the association could not as well get along without Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania's conservatism is known not only throughout the length and breadth of the United States, but beyond the seas. We are conservative because we believe conservatism is right, and it is due to the association now in its formative state that it shall have the benefit of the conservative advice of the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania."

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence for 1920 is signed by Thomas F. Penman, chairman, and 4 other members. The proceedings of 68 Grand Jurisdictions are satisfactorily summarised. Canada (in

Ontario)—1920—is not forgotten. A remark of ours about Americanism and Masonry is quoted without comment; but in the “conclusion” of the Pennsylvania report we find a short paragraph on the same subject:—

“A key-note of Masonic utterance in the Grand Lodges of our country during the past year has been devotion to the traditions and the free institutions of the Republic. In the foregoing pages we have reported an abundance of evidence that Masonry is characterised by the highest type of Americanism, a staunch supporter of our country against any foe, within or from without. The conclusions of our year’s survey is: All is well with American Freemasonry!”

This dictum will not be dissented from, we think, anywhere; we are thoroughly in accord with it.

John S. Sell, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, Grand Master (re-elected).

John A. Perry, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, Grand Secretary.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

The record before us is of the doings of 1920—Grand Lodge meeting in January, 1921. It was the 9th Annual Communication, convened in the Masonic Temple, Manila, on the 25th and terminating on the 27th January. The Grand Master, The Hon. Rafael Palma, was received after Grand Lodge had been opened by the Deputy Grand Master, and, assuming his position in the Grand East, immediately delivered his annual “message” to the Craft—a weighty and well-considered address, from which we make a few quotations:—

“Iloilo Lodge, No. 11, requested a decision as to whether a man with the entire left arm amputated could be considered eligible: I decided as follows: With regard to the eligibility of a man who has his entire left arm amputated, I have to state that while we have amended our constitution to be as liberal as any, yet in this case, in accordance with the said constitution, it is necessary for me to rule that a man without his left arm cannot comply with what is required of him in conforming to our ritual and ceremonies; and consequently that he is not eligible.” This ruling was approved by Grand Lodge.

“On December 4, 1920, the mortal remains of Brother Marcelo H. del Pilar arrived in these Islands. Del Pilar was, under the Spanish sovereignty, the most active worker in Masonry in the Philippine Islands, and throughout life he rendered eminent services, not alone

to his native country, but to the cause of Freemasonry as well. He suffered much persecution because of his Masonic activities and went to Spain, where he died at Barcelona on July 4, 1896. In grateful recognition of his exceptional merits and of the valuable services rendered by him to Masonry in these Islands, the Grand Lodge resolved to meet in Special Communication to hold solemn rites over his remains, which was done at the Temple of Solomon on December 8, 1920."

We find in the volume of proceedings a picture of the Temple of Solomon, which is the Masonic Temple of Manila. There are also pictorial representations of the Masonic Temples at Cebu and Bacoor, Cavite. All are beautiful structures.

The Grand Master recommended that Grand Lodge continue its membership in the Masonic Service Association of the United States; and the Grand Secretary recommended an annual appropriation of an amount not to exceed 6 centavos per capita for the purpose of assisting to defray the expenses of this association. Another recommendation was for an appropriation of \$1,000 as a contribution to the funds of the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association. These recommendations were adopted by Grand Lodge.

Perhaps the most interesting portions of the Grand Master's message are contained in the following paragraphs:—

"The state of progress in which I have found the majority of the Lodges visited by me is very encouraging. Many have improved their meeting places, and the Lodges at Cebu, Misamis, Bacoor, and Cavite have acquired land and buildings of their own. In every place prominent men and public officials are to be found among the most enthusiastic members. The York Rite has been introduced, and it is remarkable with what perfection many Lodges put on the work.

"We can say here that in many parts the hostility and prejudice shown against Masonry have decreased, and I am hopeful that, as new Lodges are being established in Provinces hitherto without any Lodge, the benevolent purposes of our Order will be better understood and appreciated.

"Even the fair sex, which here, as elsewhere, is slow to accept new beliefs or modify those to which it is accustomed, seems to have tired of the preachings against Masonry with which its ears have been assailed, and is adopting a very tolerant attitude, to the extent of attending many of our public ceremonies. The time seems to be ripe for the re-establishment of the Rite of Adoption for our women as it used to exist here, or of some institution similar to the Order of the Eastern Star.

"I recommend that the Grand Lodge take an interest in this matter and that a committee be appointed, with power to act, in order that the women may give efficacious aid in the work of Freemasonry."

A committee was appointed, and its report must be given:—

"Your special committee to which was referred that portion of the Grand Master's report regarding the organisation of a society similar to the Adoptive Rite of Scottish Rite Freemasonry, believes that in the wives, widows, sisters, and daughters of the Master Masons of this Jurisdiction there is a powerful influence for good, and its latent force should be organised, developed, and co-ordinated with the aims and ambitions of this Grand Lodge. In a general way we concur in the recommendations of the Grand Master.

"With the Adoptive Rite of Freemasonry we are not familiar; we know that it is not generally accepted in the United States, but we also know of much good that has been accomplished through the members of the Order of the Eastern Star, and we would welcome the establishment of additional Chapters of that Order among the 68 subordinate Lodges of this Grand Jurisdiction. We recommend that a committee be appointed by the incoming Grand Master to study the matter and encourage the formation of such Chapters."

We find here the "visible connection" and evidence of recognition for which we have been seeking. The Masons of these Islands are frank and free. It will be observed that it is recommended that the Chapters be established "among the subordinate Lodges," and that the "formation of such Chapters" is to be "encouraged." The report was adopted, and a committee appointed.

The work of 58 Grand Jurisdictions is reviewed by Past Grand Master George R. Harvey in an exceptionally good "Report on Correspondence." We regret that our Grand Lodge is not one of the 58.

The Grand Orator, Brother Enrique V. Filamor, was eloquent in an address upon freedom of thought and the unrestricted exercise of reason. We cull one flower from a beautiful bouquet:—

"Masonry, which labours for the best of mankind, teaches as a means of perfection the subjection of instinct and passion to intelligence and reason, not through the medium of penitence or self-mortification, or by the abandonment of the terrestrial happiness in order to gain the joys of a future existence, but by enlightening the intellect, fortifying reason, and elevating human dignity. This is

the ideal that inspires its doctrines and teachings, the supreme cause for which it is living and developing in the world. It cannot believe that true perfection consists in veiling reason and depriving the mind of the faculty of investigation and free examination, and therefore it believes that man, when converted into a mere machine, is a slave rather than perfect, as being more subject to the domination of matter."

Edwin Emil Elser, Manila, Grand Master.

Newton C. Comfort, P.O. Box 990, Manila, Grand Secretary.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

The 46th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island was held in the Masonic Lodge-room, Montague, on the 22nd June, 1921. The Hon. W. S. Stewart, of Charlottetown, Grand Master, presided and read an address in which he told of the death of two prominent members of Grand Lodge during his year of office. The Rev. Dr. T. F. Fullerton, of Charlottetown, was Grand Master in 1913; and W. Bro. Ambrose L. Brown was the oldest member of Grand Lodge.

There are 17 constituent Lodges, with a total membership of 1,037, and a net gain of 67 in a year.

The Grand Master's address was an able and thoughtful one. He recommended an appropriation for Masonic beds in the two hospitals of the Island, and this was concurred in by Grand Lodge. He had also something of value to say on the labour question. We quote a few lines:—

"The logical tendency of frequently occurring strikes is to promote bitterness, rancour, and class-hatred, ending in revolution or attempted revolution—in other words, in civil war. It is simply folly to suppose that the majority of the people will always refuse to defend themselves against the unbearable hardships brought upon them by strikes. As long as the love of liberty lives as it once lived . . . no minority class or group in our country can count on successfully overcoming the resistance of the majority against unjust and unrighteous methods."

A special committee on "Physical Qualifications" recommended—and the recommendation was sanctioned by Grand Lodge—that "this Grand Lodge adopt as a

common sense proposition that, regarding physical qualifications, any candidate is eligible, who can comply with the requirements of the ritual and secret work, or, as described by the Landmarks, 'the modes of recognition'."

There is no correspondence report.

The new Grand Master, John McNevin, of Charlotte town, was born at Bonshaw, P.E.I., on the 10th October, 1860. He is a wholesale merchant, and a keen Mason.

E. T. Carbonell, P.O. Box 104, Charlottetown, Grand Secretary.

QUEBEC.

The 51st Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Quebec was held in Montreal on the 9th February, 1921, Grand Master Arthur B. Wood presiding in the Grand East, at the close of his second year of office. Out of 66 Lodges in the Jurisdiction, 61 were represented.

Among the departed Brethren of the year the Grand Master in his address specially noticed some prominent members of the Craft: R. W. Bro. Charles Knowles, P.D.D.G.M., born in 1840 and a resident of the City of Quebec; R. W. Bro. George Brodie, P.G. S.W., also of Quebec, who was but 45 years of age when he died; and R. W. Bro. Thomas Frye Lewis Evans, Past Grand Chaplain, Dean of Montreal, and probably born about 1848, though his age is not mentioned.

As to the condition of the Craft the Grand Master said:—

"A year ago we completed the first half century of our history, which may be regarded as the constructive period. We have now entered upon a new era, apparently destined to be marked by great development and expansion. The first year of this new period has been an extraordinary one, characterised by phenomenal growth. The number of initiates reached the large total of 1,124, being considerably in excess of the previous record figure of 1919. The membership has now grown to 11,166, showing a net increase of 1,100

for the year. The most gratifying features are the large number of affiliations and restorations and the small number of withdrawals. Whether or not this rapid growth is an entirely satisfactory state of affairs the future alone can tell. It is a condition, however, not peculiar to our own Jurisdiction, but throughout the English-speaking world Masonic Lodges are having the same experience. One can hardly pick up a Masonic journal or Grand Lodge report of a sister Jurisdiction without observing that the unusually large influx of persons into Freemasonry is causing the rulers of the Craft much concern. Grave misgivings are frequently expressed that the increase may not constitute a healthy growth, and that possibly it may be largely accounted for by the improper solicitation of friends."

The Grand Master's own opinion was that the recent great influx into Masonic Lodges was attributable to the more general understanding on the part of the public of the principles of Freemasonry and the appreciation by them of its benefits to mankind.

During the past year dispensations for 7 new Lodges had been granted.

In the past 15 years the membership had increased from 5,000 to 11,166, or by nearly 125 per cent., and the assets of Grand Lodge from \$30,232 to over \$142,000, an increase of nearly 400 per cent.

The wise words uttered by the Grand Master in concluding his address should be read, marked, learned, and inwardly digested:—

"I have no particular message to deliver. My address has been principally an account of an exceedingly active year, and necessarily involves a considerable amount of detail. Before closing, however, I deem it expedient to throw out one note of warning in regard to suggestions which have been made in certain quarters, particularly in some of the Jurisdictions in the great country to the south of us, intimating that our Order should depart to some extent from its ancient traditions as regards participation in matters of general public interest. These suggestions are clearly the outcome of the general state of disorganisation in which the whole world found itself after the termination of the war. We must not, however, permit ourselves to be unduly influenced by such unusual conditions. If we pause and reflect upon the antiquity of our Order and its past history, we must realise that Freemasonry has passed through many troublesome periods of the world's history, and that it has

weathered every storm. Its steady progress has been uninterrupted, and it has continued throughout the years to grow from strength to strength. It is generally conceded that one of its greatest charms is its exclusiveness as regards other organisations. Freemasonry is a builder of character, an organisation whose aim is to make good citizens, and as an institution has no concern with any particular religious belief or political creed. It has always seemed to me that a little reflection upon the past history and progress of Freemasonry, which dates so far back into the centuries that its actual origin cannot be definitely established, can lead to but one conclusion, and that is that our Order should not deviate one iota from its old traditions, but should adhere steadfastly and with increased firmness to those fundamental principles which are responsible for its high standing to-day in all civilised countries of the globe, and the reputation it enjoys of being one of the greatest influences for good that the world has ever known."

R. W. Bro. W. C. Graham, Grand Chaplain of Montreal District, made a notable address on "The Centre, the Circle, and the Eclipses of Life."

M. W. Bro. E. T. D. Chambers, P.G.M., thus begins his report of Foreign Correspondence:—

"Once more the undersigned is privileged to review, in space are reasonably limited as possible, the volumes of proceedings of such of the various Grand Lodges of Free and Accepted Masons as fulfil the tests of legitimacy requiring a belief in the Great Architect of the Universe and of His Revealed Will to man."

He then proceeds to discourse on a few subjects of surpassing interest—"Aims and Relationships of the Craft," "With whom shall we Associate?" "Masonry of France," "The Real Meaning of the Jubilee"—and follows with the usual separate reviews of the proceedings indicated, and alas! with the space-limitations also indicated. We miss the full flavour of Brother Chambers's thoughts communicated when he has more space at his disposal. To Canada (in Ontario), vintage of 1920, he is generous as well as just.

We are glad to find that R. W. Bro. A. P. Shatford, of Montreal, who is so well-known as a speaker in our Jurisdiction, was at this Communication elected Deputy Grand Master.

Charles McBurney, Lachute, Grand Master.

W. W. Williamson, Montreal, Grand Secretary.

QUEENSLAND.

The 17th annual report of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Queensland lies before us—it is the last. It covers the year ending in April, 1921, and the much-talked of union of the Masonic bodies in Queensland was consummated on the 21st April, 1921, by the adoption of the articles of union agreed upon by representatives of the Grand Lodge of Queensland and the Queensland Grand Lodge. From the preamble to the articles we take the following brief history:—

1859. Freemasonry first established in Queensland by the North Australian Lodge No. 796 under the English Constitution.

1862. The Provincial (afterwards called District) Grand Lodge of England established with a roll of 4 Lodges.

1863. St. Patrick's Lodge established as No. 279 under the Irish Constitution.

1864. St. Andrew's Lodge established as No. 435 under the Scottish Constitution.

1866. The Provincial (afterwards called District) Grand Lodge of Scotland established with a roll of 3 Lodges.

1866. The Provincial Grand Lodge of Ireland established with a roll of 6 Lodges.

1904. The Grand Lodge of Queensland established with a roll of 39 Lodges, comprising 25 of the 26 Lodges under the Irish Constitution and 14 of the Lodges under the Scottish Constitution.

1920. The Queensland Grand Lodge established with a roll of 187 Lodges by the Union of 86 Lodges under the English Constitution and 101 Lodges under the Scottish Constitution.

1921. The Grand Lodge of Queensland has a roll of 79 Lodges (3 of which are in abeyance), and the Queensland Grand Lodge has a roll of 202 Lodges.

There are, in addition, in Queensland, 7 Lodges, 6 of which hold under the English Constitution (3 of these being in abeyance) and 1 Lodge under the Scottish Constitution (none under the Irish Constitution).

The Queensland Grand Lodge was of course formed for the very purpose of bringing about the Union.

The articles were finally adopted and ratified by the Grand Lodge of Queensland at a Special Communication of Grand Lodge held in the Masonic Hall, Alice Street, Brisbane, on the 21st April, 1921, at which Grand Master James Stodart presided; and, no doubt, the Queensland Grand Lodge met on or about the same date, and also adopted the articles—but we have no record of that.

The United Grand Lodge of Queensland is now, we understand, fully established and working satisfactorily. We went through the same experience in Canada in the middle of the last century. There may be speculation as to the future of the 7 dissentient Grand Lodges in Queensland—there are none now in Ontario, but, we understand, there are still two in Quebec.

The Grand Master (Brother Stodart) said that this was the last meeting of the Grand Lodge of Queensland and that he thought it was only fitting that he should say a few words, and in doing so he desired to emphasise the fact that he felt he could look back on the years he had been Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Queensland with every satisfaction, as the main object he had in view when he accepted the high honour of being Grand Master was to endeavour to bring about the unity of Freemasonry in Queensland, and he felt proud and happy that his efforts, and the efforts of those associated with him, had been crowned with such great success, and he wished the United Grand Lodge of Queensland every happiness and great prosperity. He felt that every member of the Grand Lodge of Queensland joined with him in rejoicing at the attainment of the aim of every

Brother who desired Freemasonry to flourish in Queensland, viz., the union of all the Constitutions into one United Grand Lodge.

We shall look forward to the receipt of a volume containing the proceedings of the United Grand Lodge of Queensland.

The other proceedings of the Masonic year are rendered unimportant by the great event at its close.

We have no information as to the officers of the United Grand Lodge.

RHODE ISLAND.

The proceedings of the Grand Lodge—we cannot resist the temptation to give the full name with its stately rhythm—"The Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honourable Society of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations." during its 130th year—are before us.

Last year we told something of Overseas Lodges and its establishment in Providence. This year we have a report of a Special Communication of Grand Lodge held on the 11th November, 1920, at which Overseas Lodge was duly constituted as a regular Lodge under the charter granted in 1920. An address, or "oration" as it is called, was delivered by Past Grand Master Herbert A. Rice, in which the following passage occurs:—

"It is a happy circumstance that the fears that had been entertained regarding military Lodges were entirely dispelled in the case of Overseas Lodge, for it did not encounter any of the difficulties and uncertainties incident to active military service in the field. Its dispensation was not requested nor granted until after the Armistice of November 11, 1918, had been signed and the American army of occupation had moved into the Rhine bridgehead and its permanent headquarters established in Coblenz for an indefinite period. When, therefore, three distinguished members of this Grand Lodge of such exemplary character and high Masonic station as Past Grand Master Davis, Past Grand Master Collins, and District Deputy Grand Master Solomon, made application for a dispensation to establish a Lodge at

Coblenz, it was granted with every assurance that their powers would be exercised with good judgment and sound discretion and that the standards of this Jurisdiction would be maintained. Our expectations in these respects have been more than realised. As good and faithful servants they have returned with their talents multiplied. To-day these honoured Brethren, the founders of this Lodge, have the satisfaction of seeing the consummation of their disinterested and patriotic labours in the permanent establishment of the most unique Lodge in American Masonry."

Grand Master James E. Batty, of Pawtucket, presided at the Semi-Annual Communication held in Freemasons Hall, Providence, on the 15th November, 1920. This was a business meeting. Reports were received from the Commissioners of Trials, from the Committee on the New Masonic Temple, and from the representatives of this Grand Lodge at the 2nd annual meeting of the Masonic Service Association, held in St. Louis, Missouri, on the 9th and 10th November, 1920. The representatives recommended the adoption of the programme of the association. The recommendation was referred to the Grand Master "for his action in the matter."

The 131st Annual Communication was held in the same place on the 16th May, 1921. Grand Master Batty read an able address, from which we quote:—

"We have passed through a year of unusual prosperity. We have made Masons in unprecedented numbers; our membership has grown to proportions that have been a source of surprise to us, not unmingled, however, with a feeling of supreme satisfaction, for every one of our subordinate Lodges has undoubtedly been prompted in its activities to make Masons rather than members, to observe quality rather than to desire quantity, and in every case to build up a Lodge whose influence shall have an uplifting effect upon the life of the community in which it is located. This we know by personal contact with the affairs of every Lodge in the Jurisdiction."

This is a very comforting assurance.

The Grand Master, acting on the recommendation of the representatives above referred to, had appointed a committee, who were making plans for a campaign of education.

Statistics: 38 chartered Lodges and one under dispensation; total membership at the end of April, 1921—14,217; net gain in a year, 1,804.

"Prodigious," as Dominion Sampson said!

There is no report on correspondence.

Joseph Lawton, 234 Washington Street, Providence,
Grand Master.

S. Penrose Williams, Freemasons Hall, Providence,
Grand Secretary.

SASKATCHEWAN.

The volume of proceedings of 1921 is not large, but contains good matter.

The 15th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge was held in Saskatoon on the 15th and 16th June, 1921, under the shadow of a great bereavement.

The Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bro. George M. Weir, opened Grand Lodge, and made an excellent address, which we should like to reprint in full, but must do our best to synopsis. It was written and delivered in unusual circumstances. Less than a month before the meeting, the Grand Master had died, and the reins of authority were placed in the hands of the Deputy. The Grand Master was none other than Edward Lindsay Elwood, a Judge of the Supreme Court of Saskatchewan, and a man known throughout the length and breadth of Canada as a brilliant jurist. His nature was a noble one and his life a benediction. He bore the pain and anguish of a lingering disease with heroic fortitude. His deputy and successor bore eloquent testimony to the loss sustained by the Craft and the whole community in the taking of one who was universally esteemed and beloved.

The Deputy Grand Master, Dr. Weir, said that his address was in reality a substitute for the address the Grand Master would have delivered if he had been spared, and the Grand Master's official acts were the

basis and substance of the deliverance. The following words, however, relate to functions in which the Deputy himself was the chief actor:—

“Early in October, 1920, this Grand Jurisdiction was privileged to welcome a representative from the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario in the person of Right Worshipful Bro. W. N. Ponton, Deputy Grand Master of the latter Grand Jurisdiction. On the occasion of this visit Right Worshipful Bro. Ponton was entertained at a luncheon by the Board of General Purposes of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, and in the evening he addressed a mass meeting of 500 Saskatchewan Brethren, including many Grand Lodge representatives, in the City Hall, Regina. The distinguished speaker conveyed fraternal greetings from the Grand Lodge of Ontario in memorable and inspiring terms. His message eloquently emphasised the spirit of comradeship and brotherhood permeating our Masonic institutions with reference to the great social and national problems challenging solution during the period of reconstruction. Right Worshipful Bro. Ponton’s address was intensely patriotic throughout, and had a splendid historical background exemplified by a number of instructive historical documents dating back to the time of Sir Isaac Brock.

“Owing to the absence, through illness, of our late Grand Master, M. W. Bro. E. L. Elwood (deceased May 19, 1921), the greetings of this Grand Jurisdiction were conveyed by the Deputy Grand Master, the Grand Chaplain, and M. W. Bro. Willoughby, Past Grand Master.

“The visit of Right Worshipful Bro. Ponton was productive of great and lasting good, and it is sincerely hoped that a precedent has been established whereby visits of this nature will become an annual event in the history of our interprovincial Masonic intercourse.”

The Deputy Grand Master attended 12 out of the 15 district meetings that were held during the year. M. W. Brother Tate, Grand Secretary, took charge of these meetings at the afternoon sessions when the degree-work was exemplified, while the evenings were devoted to the study of the social application of Masonry to the great national and economic problems of the day. A unique and important feature of each meeting was the reading by Brother Tate of a message from the Grand Master who, owing to his illness, was unable to attend in person. A part of this message should be quoted:—

"Masonry aims at building up character and assisting to make us better men and better citizens. Not only better in our relations with our brother Masons but with those with whom we come in contact outside of the Craft.

"To any one who is at all a student of public affairs it is very apparent that in our times there never has been a period when good citizenship in the highest sense was so required, if our country is to be a safe, decent-living, and God-fearing country to live in, as at the present time. We as Masons must accept our share of the burden of the responsibilities of citizenship.

"It is not sufficient to accept the benefit without contributing the best that is in us to bring about an improvement and continuation of what has been and is. Nothing in this world that has been worth while has ever been gained without sacrifice.

"When we reflect what a large proportion of the male population of this Province Masonry represents, it becomes very apparent what an immense influence we can bring to bear in moulding public opinion and action. Each individual Mason should constitute himself an evangelist in an endeavour to promote a general standard of conduct and living approaching the ideals which we as Masons profess to admire.

"Our duty as Masons is of course set out in our charges and lectures in the degree-work, but I am afraid that what is there set forth for our guidance too often goes in one ear and out the other. It is too much looked upon as merely part of a ceremony. I would suggest that each Lodge as often as possible should have some Brother address the members on what Masonry teaches and aims at. And, if I may suggest, the more simple the language employed and the more free from purely Masonic phraseology the more effective such addresses will prove.

"Perhaps I cannot put the whole matter better than to say that a good and true Mason is one who follows with exactitude the teachings of the Great Architect of the Universe."

The Grand Secretary's report showed 155 chartered Lodges and 5 under dispensation; population, 12,378; net gain in a year, 1,204.

From the report of the Committee on Necrology we learn that Grand Master Elwood was born in Goderich, Ontario, in 1868. In 1904 he was made a Mason in Mossomin Lodge, then under the jurisdiction of

the Grand Lodge of Manitoba; in 1908 he was Master of that Lodge, which had then been transferred to the newly created Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan; he first held office in Grand Lodge in 1915, and had filled the Grand Wardens' chairs as well as that of Deputy Grand Master before his election as Grand Master in 1920.

The Committee on Foreign Relations and Correspondence reported that no questions with regard to foreign relations had come before it, and that the "annual proceedings of the various sister Grand Lodges have been reviewed". The report was received and adopted, and the reviews are printed in the proceedings. We understand that they were written by the Chairman of the Committee, Past Grand Master W. M. Thomson. There are 38 of them—brief but full of information. More space is devoted to the proceedings of our Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario) than to most of the others.

Dr. G. M. Weir, Saskatoon, Grand Master.

W. B. Tate, Regina, Grand Secretary.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

The proceedings before us are those of the year ending on the 20th April, 1921. During that year 5 new Lodges were consecrated and a Masonic building was dedicated. There appear to be 98 constituent Lodges, with a population of 8,177, and a net increase of 1,068 in a year.

M. W. Bro. A. W. Piper, K.C., Grand Master, presided at the Half-yearly Communication held at the Freemasons' Hall, Flinders Street, Adelaide, on the 20th October, 1920.

In his address the Grand Master referred to the subject of physical perfection, and formulated a procedure which we cannot too highly commend:—

"In sanctioning any application for permission to initiate maimed candidates, I wish it to be clearly understood that I am not doing so by dispensation, or setting aside any

law of our Order. I am, as Grand Master, compelled to exercise that final and most impartial care which in essence and in spirit is to be exercised by every Master on the admission of any candidate at all. Since the last Communication I have given some additional study to the subject. There is a belief in some quarters that physical imperfection is an absolute bar to admission to our Craft. In the American Constitutions that principle is carried a very long way indeed, and even in our Dominions, and on our own continent, there have been authoritative expressions founded on this belief that the exclusion of the physically defective is a Landmark of the Order. Brethren, I am satisfied from my researches that this is not the case. Ample authorities have satisfied me that, so far as the Landmarks are concerned, the admission of the physically defective and maimed is permissible by the laws of Freemasonry, and I have given the Board of General Purposes the result of my researches. The immediate consequence has been that I have had 6 applications for admission, 5 of which I have approved. I am following the practice laid down by the Grand Lodge of England in the circular we mentioned at the last October Communication, which you will see referred to in the proceedings—the whole of the circumstances must be reported by the Master of the Lodge concerned, to the Grand Master, who shall then decide upon the case. I have decided in favour of the applicant in 5 applications made to me—the 6th has been referred back for further information. Having said that, I do not wish to convey the idea that Masters or Brethren can be lax or excessive in the encouragement of maimed candidates for admission. There are some very important and serious questions to consider whenever these applications come before me, and one of the essentials for approval of the application is that the Master who forwards it shall satisfy the Grand Master that he is prepared to conduct the whole of the Ceremonies of the 3 Degrees in the admission of a Candidate to the full Degree of a Master Mason in such a manner on the one hand that the Ritual shall be fully respected and rendered without insincerity or mockery, and on the other hand that the feelings of the candidate shall also be respected. If the Masters are prepared to certify that, maiming or serious defects may not be an insuperable obstacle to candidates for admission. Curiously enough, of the 5 whose admission has been allowed, only two have been on active service; the other 3 of these candidates were therefore not eligible for enlistment."

It was announced that Masters of Lodges could obtain from the Grand Secretary forms indicating the nature of the certificates they must give when seeking permission.

The Annual Communication was held at the same place on the 20th April, 1921; Grand Master

Piper again presided, and was re-elected and proclaimed as Grand Master for the year ending in April, 1922.

More Americano, we find a "Review of Correspondence and Gleanings from the Proceedings of Sister Constitutions." Canada (in Ontario), 1920, is not forgotten.

Arthur William Piper, K.C., Freemasons' Hall, Adelaide, Grand Master.

C. R. G. Glover, Freemasons' Hall, Adelaide, Grand Secretary.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

The proceedings of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina are always interesting.

An Occasional Lodge was convened by the Grand Master in the Masonic Temple in the City of Columbia on the 18th January, 1921, for the purpose of conferring the three degrees of Masonry upon The Right Reverend William A. Guerry, D.D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of South Carolina. The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Samuel Tucker Lanham, acted as Worshipful Master, and the other officers were all Past Grand Masters. The Grand Master announced that he had convened the Occasional Lodge for the purpose mentioned, "pursuant to announcement already made through the press". This method of announcement was peculiar and we think unfortunate. Another peculiar thing was the putting of the preliminary questions to the candidate in the Lodge-room, during recess, but in the presence of a large concourse of Brethren. The questions were (naturally) answered to the satisfaction of the Grand Master.

At the conclusion of the work of the 3rd degree, P.G.M. Robert A. Cooper, the Governor of South Carolina, presented to Brother Guerry, as his personal gift, a copy of the seventh edition of the Ahiman Rezon. Grand Secretary O. Frank Hart presented a

lambskin apron, the gift of the Columbia Lodges. The Grand Master presented to Brother Guerry, as his personal gift, a copy of the Bible.

The occasion was extraordinary and the proceedings evidently dignified and impressive.

The 184th Annual Communication was held in Charleston, on the 23rd and 24th February, 1921, the Grand Master, who hails from Spartanburg, presiding. In his address he said that after the lapse of 14½ months the Grand Lodge met again for the transaction of business pertaining to the Craft. It had been the longest administration in the history of Grand Lodge, because of the change of the time of the Annual Communication. The immediately previous Annual Communication was held on the 9th and 10th December, 1919.

Of the 280 Lodges in the Jurisdiction, 263 were represented, and the total membership was stated to be 25,301 at the end of 1920; net increase in that year, 3,401. But, said the Grand Master, conditions had changed, hard times had succeeded an era of prosperity, and the remarkable growth could not be expected to continue.

The Grand Master referred in feeling terms to the death on the 26th April, 1920, of James Adger Smyth, Past Grand Master. On turning to the back of the volume of proceedings, we found a series of biographical sketches of the Past Grand Masters of South Carolina, from 1736 to 1921, compiled by the Grand Historian, R. W. Bro. William G. Mazyck the elder—a most useful and valuable aid to history. From this we learn that the lamented Bro. Smyth was the brother of a still earlier Grand Master. Augustine Thomas Smyth served Grand Lodge in that capacity from 1878 to 1880, and James Adger Smyth from 1884 to 1887. Of the latter we are told that he was born in 1838, graduated with first class honours from the College of Charleston in 1858, and was Mayor of Charleston from 1895 to 1903. “Endowed with superior ability and splendid mental equilibrium, his passing terminates a life devoted to the uplift of human

society, for in all spheres, civic, religious, and fraternal, he was distinguished." For some time before his death he had been the senior surviving Past Master.

Samuel Tucker Lanham, who was first elected Grand Master in 1919, and is therefore a Past as well as the Ruling Grand Master, is the subject of the last of the biographical notes. Born at West Springs, South Carolina, in 1884, graduated by Wofford College 1902, admitted to the Bar 1905, Master in Equity (Spartanburg county) 1909 to date.

Among many good things said by Grand Master Lanham in his address was this:—

"Let us forever banish from our thinking the idea that Masonry's effort to teach morality by means of symbols can find its only expression in the conferring of Masonic degrees. Masonry has a marvellous ritual, but it has a history, a philosophy, a jurisprudence, and a literature as well. We have a large place in our Brotherhood for the brilliant ritualist; perhaps he can find the highest development for his talents as well as the greatest honour for his achievements within the tiled recesses of a Masonic Lodge. But the varied talents of the most versatile Craftsman can also be used in Masonic labours. There are numerous ways in which the abundant energy of every Mason may find expression. Two organisations which afford the opportunity for service are the Masonic Service Association of the United States and the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association."

And he proceeded to describe and eulogise the two associations.

Just 9 days before Grand Lodge met, R. W. Brother William Hutson Prioleau, who had been Grand Treasurer since 1910, died suddenly. He had given faithful service to the Craft in that capacity for nearly 11 years, and was loved by all who knew him, as the Grand Master said. Of Huguenot descent, Prioleau was born in Charleston in 1835; he was a physician and served as a surgeon in the Confederate Army during the Civil War. After the war he engaged in the lumber business.

The address of the Grand Master was an able—indeed brilliant—deliverance. In conclusion he said:—

"M. W. Brother Michie, our Foreign Correspondent, assures me that I am the youngest Grand Master in America, while R. W. Brother Mazyck, our Historian, with equal positiveness maintains that I preside over the oldest Grand Lodge upon the American Continent. So there is a distinction about my record, even though I may have performed the task only indifferently well. I trust that you will realise that I have tried to play the man and to be faithful in the performance of every official duty."

The appointment of W. Bro. Jesse Sharpe as Grand Treasurer for the short period after the death of Brother Prioleau was evidently approved by Grand Lodge, for we find that he was elected Grand Treasurer at this Communication.

Grand Master Lanham was re-elected and re-installed for another year's service.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported as follows:—

"A hasty glance has been taken at the review of proceedings of sister Jurisdictions, hasty because of the very limited time at the disposal of your Committee. We commend most highly the excellent work of our distinguished Brother Michie, who has reviewed the proceedings of the various Grand Lodges in his characteristically critical manner.

"We concur heartily in his conclusions concerning the unwisdom of warranting Sea and Field Lodges by the Grand Lodge of New York and disapproving any tendency to recognise the Grand Orient or the Grand Lodge of France.

"It is with a keen sense of regret that we note the absence of Brother Michie because of the serious illness he has been suffering recently.

"We recommend that the request for recognition from the Grand Lodge of Porto Rico be not granted.

"We further recommend that no recognition be extended in the case of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico or any other of the so-called Grand Lodges now existent in Mexico.

"In the cases of the Grand Lodges of Costa Rica and Colombia, we recommend that recognition be withheld until complete and full information concerning them can be obtained by the Grand Master."

The report was adopted.

We are sorry to hear of the illness of Past Grand Master J. L. Michie, of Darlington, whom we greatly esteem for his work's sake—he labours in more fields than one. In the Grand Lodge of South Carolina he has, as reviewer, a free hand, at liberty to hit a head where he sees it; withal he is kind and tolerant. His reviews in the volume before us are 62 in number, and all delightful. When he comes to Canada (in Ontario) and reviews our proceedings of 1919—rather ancient—he is quite happy in his remarks. He notes that a Lodge in Ontario changed its name from “Bismarck” to “Liberty”, and quotes “as far as East is distant from the West.” He also contributes to a pleasant little controversy with our predecessor, Brother Freed, as to the use of the words “Free” and “Accepted” in the title of the Order. Naturally, he strongly dissents from the Mississippi dictum that a bastard cannot be made a Mason—so do we.

S. T. Lanham, Spartanburg, Grand Master.

O. Frank Hart, Columbia, Grand Secretary.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

The Grand Master, 1920-21, was John H. McCord, Illinois-born and Dakota-raised. We find his portrait and brief biography prefacing the volume of proceedings of 1921. His birth took place at Abingdon, Illinois, in 1860. He attended the common schools and finished at Abingdon College. After graduating he spent some time on a farm and later dealt in real estate in Abingdon. In 1883 he settled in Dakota, living at first in Highmore and later in Pierre. He was for some time Registrar of Deeds for Hyde County, County Judge for Hyde County, and has been an abstractor for several years past—not that we know what an “abstractor” is. Is it perchance one who makes a business of searching titles to land? He has been a Mason since 1886, and an active one.

The proceedings of the 47th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of South Dakota, held in the Masonic Hall, Watertown, on the 14th and 15th June,

1921, are quite interesting. Certain hardy annuals in the address of Grand Master McCord will bear transplantation:—

"Masonry in this Jurisdiction has been instrumental in passing two great laws which will materially advance education in this State. One of these requires every teacher to take an oath to support the Constitution of the State and of the United States, before he can obtain a certificate to teach. The other is what is known as the Language Bill, passed by the last Legislature, requiring every child of school-age to attend the public schools, during the time of the term in the school district, until he or she shall have reached the eighth grade, where only the English language is taught. This last bill was fought very hard by the patrons of Parochial Schools; but, the Legislature being composed of more than 50 per cent. Masons, it was passed, and passed with a clause of compulsion that has teeth in it."

"Following the resolution adopted by this Grand Lodge in 1917, that a man must be able literally to conform to all of the degrees by the use of his own natural members, which seems to me quite clear, I refused to allow a petition to be received in the case of one man who had only one hand, the left; also a man who had lost the right thumb and index finger of the right hand."

"I received seven applications to allow the petition of men with wooden legs. I refused them all, following the resolution above referred to. The saying 'a wooden leg rather than a wooden head', does not appeal to me, for no man with a wooden head can get into Masonry."

"I suggest that some action be taken to hold the Communications of this Grand Body at different places or different times from the times and places appointed for the meetings of the Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star. We are not unmindful of the great benefit the Eastern Star has been to us as a Grand Body and to the Lodges at home. I believe in passing this Grand Lodge around. I believe that it is a great benefit to Masonry to have the Communications held in different places, but the Order of the Eastern Star has become so large that but few towns in the State are able to accommodate the two bodies at the same time. None of us can be taken care of comfortably. It has been asked, what about our representation? It has been my observation that the wife wants to attend the Grand Chapter; she has her husband procure a proxy from his Lodge and attend with her; the man is usually not a representative Brother of the Lodge; when he comes here he attends the Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star; makes no report to his home Lodge. The only time there is a full representation of the members at the Grand Lodge is when the vote is taken upon Junior

Warden and the drawing of the mileage. This Grand Lodge is becoming larger each year; but, if the two were separated, there are a dozen towns in the State that could accommodate us without any trouble. In former times it was deemed necessary to have the sisters with us for their moral influence, but on account of the change in the Constitution of our State the Brethren are now safe to be left alone."

This is quite refreshing. The allusion in the last words is scarcely a veiled one.

Grand Secretary's statistics: 150 chartered Lodges, 8 under dispensation: membership, 16,460: net gain in a year, 1,945.

The Report on Correspondence is by Past Grand Master Charles L. Brockway. The reviews are brief and are confined to United States Lodges.

William F. R. Wharton, Huron, Grand Master.

George A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls, Grand Secretary.

TASMANIA.

The 30th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Tasmania was held in the Masonic Hall, Launceston, on the 26th February, 1921. The Pro Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Henry Lyndhurst D'Emden, presided. The Lodge was in mourning for the late Grand Master, the Hon. Charles Ellis Davies, M.L.C., who died on the 1st February, 1921. The proceedings at the Annual Communications are prefaced by an account of a memorial service held in the Masonic Hall, Hobart, on the 14th February, 1921. The Pro Grand Master made an address at this service, and from that we learn something of the career of the late M. W. Brother Davies. "His experience was so wide, his disposition so generous, and his Masonic knowledge so great," said Brother D'Emden, "that we recognised in him a counsellor and appreciated his friendship as a choice possession." We are not told the place or time of his birth, but he appears to have been a Tasmanian from early days and to have been born not later than 1853, for he was initiated in

the Tasmanian Union Lodge, No. 536, English Constitution, on the 9th September, 1874. The Grand Lodge of Tasmania was inaugurated in 1890, and in it he was active from its inception. He was Grand Master for 20 years. The return of 1891 showed 20 Lodges and 923 members. On the 31st December, 1920, there were 28 active Lodges and 2,177 members. The largest part of the increase came during the 20 years that Brother Davies held sway, and to his wise guidance is attributed much of the success and progress of Masonry in Tasmania. He was a member of the Legislative Council of Tasmania, and was "intimately connected with practically every movement in the State."

The business of Grand Lodge consisted largely in the presentation and reception of reports. The report of the Board of General Purposes showed a healthy financial condition, and that of the Board of Benevolence an increase in collections and in invested funds. The full amount, £600, required for the creation and endowment of a cot in the Hobart Children's Hospital, in commemoration of the Declaration of Peace after the Great War, had been subscribed by the southern Lodges and invested in War Loan bonds. The cot had just arrived, the report said, from the mainland, and the ceremony of installing it was to be carried out at an early date.

The election of the Pro Grand Master as Grand Master was unanimous, and he was duly proclaimed and installed. We can find no particulars of his career.

Henry L. D'Emden, Grand Master.

W. H. Strutt, 117 Macquarie Street, Hobart. Acting Grand Secretary.

TENNESSEE.

Grand Master T. W. Peace, of Madisonville, lawyer, presided at the 107th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee, held in Nashville on the 26th, 27th, and 28th January, 1921. The proceedings at that Communication are now before us

for review, having been received too late for notice in our report of 1921.

Distinguished visitors at this meeting were: Grand Master W. W. Magee of Arkansas, who was born and reared in Tennessee, and whose "return under such happy auspices was very much enjoyed by all;" and Past Grand Master George L. Schoonover of Iowa, who "presented the plans of the Masonic Service Association in a very instructive and interesting manner, and won many converts to the cause." And Brother R. Ottesen, of the Speakers' Bureau of Iowa, delivered an address on what the Masonic Service Association is trying to do in the way of education. He was assisted by Brother J. A. Prosser, with a moving picture outfit which showed what was being done towards making American citizens out of aliens. "The members of the Grand Lodge had the matter presented to them in a new light and much good was done by these two Brethren."

The address of Grand Master Peace was eloquent and thoughtful. In opening he referred to the deaths of two Past Grand Masters—Isaac Jones Thurman, who was Grand Master in 1901, and Archibald Nevins Sloan, Grand Master in 1897. Both were men of mark, and both natives of Tennessee. They were not old as time is now reckoned—Sloan was 69 and Thurman 62.

Visits were made by the Grand Master during his year of office to 44 of the Lodges under his care. These visits were usually without announcement in advance. He wished to see the Lodges as they really were, and he found that, almost without exception, the attendance was very small. This is rather strange in view of the fact, also recorded by the Grand Master, that never before in a single year had so many sought admission and been received into Masonry.

The Grand Master was indeed a little alarmed at the great influx of men into the Lodges, and urged upon the Lodges the formation of study-clubs and the use of other means to educate the new members

and make them into real Masons. This alarm is by no means novel; but the danger which is to be guarded against has never been better expressed than in these few words:—

“Under the present system, when a man is raised, the Lodge devotes no further time to his education; and, unless he is himself so disposed, his efforts along the line of growth and advancement in Masonic knowledge end there. The result is that after a short while he becomes indifferent and drops out, becomes perhaps a non-affiliate, and soon may be heard to say that there is nothing in Masonry.”

A goodly portion of the address is devoted to this important subject, Masonic education, and a still larger part to the Masonic Homes, Widows and Orphans' and Old Masons'. Endowments funds are needed, and the need is pressing, as the Most Worshipful explained.

Another interesting subject was “courtesy work.” During the year the Grand Master had made 195 requests to Grand Masters of other Jurisdictions to confer degrees for Tennessee Lodges, and had received 152 such requests from other Jurisdictions. We had not hitherto realised that the system of “courtesy work” was or might be in any way objectionable; and we doubt whether the Grand Master has made out a good case against it, although he cites instances where it has caused embarrassment. Let us quote:—

“In 3 instances where I had authorised Lodges to do work for foreign Jurisdictions, protests were made by the Tennessee Lodges because of the unworthiness of the candidates, shown so by investigation, with the result that the request and authority had to be withdrawn. In one instance where, on behalf of a Tennessee Lodge, I had requested the Grand Master of a sister Jurisdiction to authorise one of his Lodges to confer the degrees, the requested Lodge protested against the man receiving the degrees, investigation showing him to be unworthy. The report made by the foreign Lodge on the candidate was humiliating in the extreme. Of course, the request was withdrawn with due apology. I am led to believe that the Pennsylvania Brethren have the correct rule—no courtesy work.”

And the Grand Master recommended an amendment to the constitution which should have the effect of prohibiting “courtesy work.” It appears to us

that there are cases of urgency where it may be necessary to have degrees worked in a foreign Jurisdiction: we cannot think that the cases cited by the Grand Master are typical, nor do we regard the results in those cases as anything but fortunate for the whole Craft, despite the embarrassment caused to the Rulers. The proposed amendment was reported against by the Committee on Jurisprudence, and the report was sustained by Grand Lodge.

Two of the Grand Master's rulings may interest our readers:—

"13. A Mason, being also a member of the Eastern Star, is at liberty to inform the Eastern Star Chapter of the fact that two of its members have been suspended from membership in the Lodge.

"14. If a Mason has acted in such way as to cause his Lodge to suspend him, such information may, and should, be imparted to a profane where the best interests of Freemasonry require it."

We find a little more about the Order of the Eastern Star in the proceedings. The Grand Master says:—

"In my visits to Lodges I have found that they were more awake and taking more interest in their work where there was a Chapter of the Eastern Star. I found the halls better kept and many evidences of woman's refining influence. I think it would be well for Masons to encourage the formation of Chapters and become members thereof, where they can do so conveniently."

And in the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence, adopted by Grand Lodge, we find this:—

"It is within the personal experience of many of your committee to approve and applaud the Order of the Eastern Star. We concur in all that our Grand Master has said concerning it. If our Lodges would fully encourage the use of their halls by Chapters of the Order, it would in our belief be for the good of Masonry."

Stith M. Cain, Grand Secretary, reported that the returns showed the greatest amount of work done and the greatest gain that the Grand Lodge of Tennessee

had ever had. There were 14,240 degrees conferred; the membership at the end of the Masonic year was 37,570; and the net gain for the year 3,841. The number of active Lodges is not stated—we think there may be nearly 500.

The Grand Master elected in 1921 is Rodney Blake, who, as we learn from a brief sketch of his career contained in the volume of proceedings, was born in Tennessee in 1872. He is a farmer and stock-raiser. An active Mason in all branches, he has never missed an Annual Communication of Grand Lodge in the whole period of his membership, which began in 1895.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is presented by the Chairman, Past Grand Master Henry A. Chambers. The regular reviews—Canada (in the Province of Ontario), proceedings of 1920, is the subject of one—are preceded by a discussion of 3 important matters, "Unprecedented Increase in Membership," "Physical Requirements," and "French Masonry". The reviews are not lengthy, but thorough and careful.

Rodney Blake, Erin, Grand Master.

Stith M. Cain, Nashville, Grand Secretary.

TEXAS.

We find that the Texas Grand Lodge was conspicuous by its absence from our report of last year. In 1920 we had Texas of 1919, and now, in 1922, we have Texas of 1920. The meetings of the Grand Lodge are held late in the calendar year.

The 85th Grand Annual Communication was opened in Waco on the 7th December, 1920, and continued for 3 days. A very large volume of printed proceedings is the result. George F. Morgan, of El Paso, was the Grand Master presiding in the Grand East. The vacant chair once occupied by Past Grand Master Walter Acker, who was Superintendent of the Orphans' Home and School at Forth Worth, and

who died in April, 1920, was, we read, garlanded in flowers—in better taste and far more significant than crepe or black cloth. Brother Acker—the Grand Master in his address said—was born in Texas in 1874, and during his life filled many positions of responsibility and trust. He was Grand Master in 1911, when still a comparatively young man. "He loved his fellowman and sought to elevate him and make him better."

In the matter of physical defects, a rather strict rule is in force, as may be seen from this paragraph of the Grand Master's address:—

"There have been submitted hundreds of requests for rulings in matters of physical defects, each of which has received a reply, and which, in view of instructions by this Grand Lodge, are not required to be incorporated in the report of the Grand Master, and therefore, in the interest of economy and the curtailment of Grand Lodge proceedings, are not mentioned in detail in this report. I deem it sufficient for me to state to the Grand Lodge that in each and all of my rulings in these matters I have been governed by the plain letter of the latest resolution adopted by this Grand Lodge for the government of its Grand Master in the exercise of his prerogative with reference to matter of physical qualifications, applying the test in each and every case upon the question of the candidate's ability to receive, practise, and impart, freely and without artificial or other aid, all the rites and ceremonies of Ancient Craft Masonry, including Masonic work in the Lodge-room, and his mental and physical ability to earn his livelihood in his chosen occupation outside of the Lodge-room. With this thought in mind I have withheld my consent for the admission into our Order of any candidate who has suffered the loss of as much as one entire joint of the thumb or any finger of the right hand, or who has suffered the impairment of the sight of either of his eyes to the extent that he is unable to discern, with the affected eye, small objects, such as ordinary print, at a distance usually observed in reading. Further report than this upon the subject would seem to be needless under previous rulings of the Grand Lodge".

The address of the Grand Master was in fact a very full report of the activities of the year and all matters concerning Masonry in Texas. He did not forget the Masonic Home and School at Fort Worth nor the Home for Aged Masons at Arlington, which are the pride of the Texan Craft.

After giving an account of some special Masonic functions in Texas at which he had been the guest of honour, the Grand Master said:—

“I feel that I should also make mention of the Annual Meeting of the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, which was held in El Paso on October 11th to 14th, inclusive, and which was very ably presided over by Sister Maggie B. Moody, Worthy Grand Matron of the Order. The meeting was a most interesting and beneficial one, and appreciated courtesy was extended to the Grand Master of Texas therein, for which due acknowledgement was then and there made by your humble servant on behalf of the Grand Lodge.”

What should we think of this?

The Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. W. B. Pearson, in his report said that 1920 had been a busy year—the greatest year from a numerical and financial standpoint in the history of Masonry in Texas. The net increase in membership was 10,941, and about \$50,000 more money was collected than ever before. The total membership as recorded was 94,218, the number of Lodges being 891.

The Board of Directors of the Masonic Orphans' Home reported, among other things, that plans had been prepared for the erection, as an adjunct to the Home, of a hospital, modern and complete in every respect. It was expected that the building and equipment would be ready for use by the autumn of 1921.

It was affirmed by the Grand Lodge that the subordinate Lodges should not “advertise, conduct or hold balls, dances, fairs, concerts, or any other assemblies” under the auspices of the Lodges, directly or indirectly. Masonry, it was said, leaves each member to follow his own taste in matters of social amusement, but it does restrict him in a public display of his Masonry. Excellent!

There is a report as to Mexican Masonry, but we must look to the proceedings of 1921 or 1922 for a definite pronouncement.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was prepared and presented by Past

Grand Master S. M. Bradley, Chairman—apparently succeeding the scribe of 1919, James D. Crenshaw. After a very interesting introduction, Brother Bradley proceeds in orthodox fashion to review the proceedings of other Grand Lodges in alphabetical order. When he comes to Canada he finds much to quote, but it is from the rather ancient proceedings of 1919. The report shows much care and skill. We venture to think that Past Grand Master Bradley is an old hand at the work. We see that he is continued as Chairman of the committee.

Andrew L. Randall, Sherman, Grand Master.

W. B. Pearson, Waco, Grand Secretary.

UTAH.

The order of proceedings usual at Annual Communications of Grand Lodges was varied, in the case of Utah in 1921, by the delivery of the set "oration" before the Grand Master's address. This may perhaps be a designed departure. One may perceive a certain logic in beginning with an address on the "Fundamentals of Freemasonry"—that was the subject of the discourse of W. Bro. Edgar A. Rogers, Grand Orator—and then proceeding from the general to the particular with an address upon the affairs of the Grand Lodge actually in session. The oration is not set out in the proceedings—the Grand Master's address of course is. That Grand Master was James LeRoy Cattron, of Salt Lake City, and the meeting was the 50th Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Utah, held in the Masonic Temple, Salt Lake City, on the 18th and 19th January, 1921.

Grand Master Cattron reported "the loss of our stalwart and much beloved Brother, Past Grand Master William J. Barrette . . . died as he had lived, fearless in the discharge of his duty to mankind, truly a man and Mason." We learn that this distinguished Craftsman was born in Iowa in 1867, and died in July, 1920, in Salt Lake City, where he practised as a lawyer.

The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association is well supported in Utah. Early in 1920 the balance of the Utah subscription to the memorial fund was made—Utah finishing first in the drive. The Grand Master said that the hope of the organisers was now assured—a suitable and fitting monument to George Washington the Mason.

The development of working plans "for the effective functioning" of the Masonic Service Association greatly interested the Grand Master.

The growth in numbers in 1920 was prodigious: 1,185 degrees were conferred, and the net gain in membership was 669, being 3 more than in the previous 6 years combined. There were on the 1st January, 1921, 21 chartered Lodges and 3 under dispensation, with a total membership of 3,690.

Grand Lodge declined to set a limit to the number of members in any private Lodge in the Jurisdiction.

A committee was appointed to make arrangements for the observance of the 50th Anniversary of the Grand Lodge.

We find in the proceedings a portrait of the oldest living Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Utah, Thomas Edward Clohecy, who was Grand Master in 1878.

Past Grand Master Sam Henry Goodwin, Grand Correspondent, presented his review of the sister Grand Lodges, which was ordered to be and is printed in the proceedings—an excellent report. In a thoughtful "foreword" he tells us that his own opinion is that on the whole Masonry is moving forward toward a broader and more efficient service—is really seeking to coin profession and principle into worth-while action. In his "conclusion" he deals with and answers the many objections raised in various quarters to the Masonic Service Association, of which he is an ardent supporter.

In reviewing the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Canada (Ontario) in 1920, Brother Goodwin "disputates some." We think he was led into error by the unfortunate way in which a certain matter was referred to in our report of those proceedings. Grand Master Harcourt did not "refuse to permit a Lodge to attend divine service in a Salvation Army Barracks." He was not asked to "permit" such an attendance. What he was asked to do was to permit the Brethren of a Lodge to appear in public in Masonic clothing on the occasion of attendance upon public worship in a Salvation Army Barracks. Why could not the Brethren have attended without Masonic clothing? The Grand Master dislikes Masonic street parades; so does Brother Goodwin. While seeking to limit them, he (Brother Harcourt) felt bound by custom to allow them in the case of church attendance. Why should he extend that custom to the meetings of the Salvation Army? It does not profess to be a church—nay, it repudiates the idea of being a church. It is a society which, like Masonry, prescribes a distinctive clothing for its members. The Grand Master, mindful of the injunction against taking part in processions, etc., with other societies, thought it unwise to grant the dispensation asked; and, when the matter is explained, we think Brother Goodwin will agree with him. Brother Harcourt would certainly agree with Brother Goodwin's remark to the effect that the worship of God is the same whether in a church or a barracks—but it is beside the mark in the real circumstances of the case.

John Edward Carver, Ogden, Grand Master.

Freeman A. McCarty, Salt Lake City, Grand Secretary.

VERMONT.

There is an atmosphere of dignity and tranquility about the Grand Lodge of Vermont; and the beautifully-worded address of Grand Master Archie S. Harriman, of Middlebury, at the 128th Annual Communicataion, held in Burlington on the 15th and 16th June, 1921, was in keeping with the atmosphere.

We make a few extracts from it:—

“From the reports submitted to me by Deputies and also from personal visits to nearly all the Masonic Districts of our Grand Jurisdiction, I am able to state that peace and harmony prevail within our gates. Never has the Institution, judging from the number of petitions for admission to our ranks, stood higher in the estimation of the world outside those gates. It is inspiring to see men, especially young men, applying in such large numbers for the benefits of Masonry. But it is meet for that very reason that every Lodge should be especially careful as to the nature of the material which it admits. There is danger that the amount of work which the Lodge is called upon to do may lead its younger members, whose knowledge of the aims and ideals of Masonry is necessarily small, to the opinion that the chief work of the Lodge is to make new Masons. This view must be changed by those who, having long been true Masons, know that the chief work of the Lodge is to make Masons better men and better Masons. In such a time of popularity, when candidates swarm to our outer doors, it is the duty of the older and more experienced Masons to keep strict watch lest the material with which we are building, the rough ashlar which it is our duty to shape into perfect ashlar, be not vitiated by the admission of material not rough and imperfect only, but useless and fatally defective.”

Can words better express the hopes and fears entertained by all Grand Masters of the present era?

“Almost on the very eve of the assembly of this Grand Lodge comes the announcement of the death of Past Grand Master Delos M. Bacon, who died at his home in St. Johnsbury Centre on June 11, 1921. His passing came as a release after a period of declining health of nearly 5 years' duration; he was confined to his bed during the last two.

“Brother Bacon was born in Coventry, Vt., December 25, 1845. When a young boy he removed to St. Johnsbury Centre and learned the tanner's trade. In 1869 he married Miss Hattie Kimball of Bath, N. H., who survives him. To them were born two daughters and a son, Perley D., whose death in December last deprived his parents of the chief support of their declining years. Being a man of much good common sense and with some knowledge of law, Bro. Bacon was a very useful man in his community. Often was he called upon to act in matters, both public and private, where such qualities were essential.

“He was made a Mason in Passumpsic Lodge on March 12, 1868. In due time he became a member of all the bodies of the American Rite and reached the highest office in each of them. In 1891 and 1892 he was Grand Master of Masons

in Vermont; in 1887 and 1888, Grand Commander of Knights Templar; and in 1905, Grand High Priest. He rendered valuable service on various committees of the Grand Lodge, notably Jurisprudence and Grievances, during the many years from 1877 to 1914.

"In the family lot, in plain sight from the house where he had passed almost his entire life, he was buried on June 14 last. Masonic funeral honours were rendered him by Passumpsic Lodge, and to his last resting place he was escorted by Palestine Commandery, No. 5."

"Early last fall information came to me that one Alexander Simpson of Barre had been made a Mason by Operative Lodge of Aberdeen, Scotland. The case was exactly similar to one that arose during the Grand Mastership of Lee S. Tillotson, when Charles Keith, also a resident of Barre, was made in the same Lodge. At that time Bro. Tillotson took up the matter with Operative Lodge of Aberdeen and received from the Secretary of that Lodge a letter denying knowledge of any right to exclusive Masonic Jurisdiction over any man which they could ever admit. The matter is treated fully in Grand Master Tillotson's address for 1910, all the letters in that case being given at length, together with a copy of the edict made by Bro. Tillotson at that time. As the circumstances of that case were identical with the case of Mr. Simpson, I caused an edict of similar form to be issued to all the Lodges of this Jurisdiction forbidding all Lodges and Masons under this Jurisdiction to hold any Masonic intercourse with the said Alexander Simpson until he should receive the Masonic degrees in a regular manner as recognised by the Grand Lodge of Vermont."

The following paragraph from the report of Grand Secretary Henry H. Ross gives very neatly the information which we sometimes have difficulty in procuring from voluminous reports:—

"The history of Masonry in Vermont during the past year is but a continuation of the activity of the past 4 years. A year ago it seemed that the maximum must then have been reached—but not so. During the past year every one of our 103 Lodges has had work and many of them have exceeded all their previous records. In 1920 the number raised was 1,142, with a net gain of 746, while for 1921 the corresponding figures are 1,368 and 1,020. The population at the end of April, 1921, was 17,012.

M. W. Bro. Charles H. Darling, for the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, presented his report.

In presenting this, his 5th annual report, Brother Darling said that owing to the professional and other

demands upon his time he felt compelled to discontinue the work of Foreign Correspondent. He did this with deep regret; and (the Grand Secretary added) this regret was shared by his Brethren of the Grand Lodge. In his somewhat unusual form of report he had left Grand Lodge something of permanent worth.

The "topical" form in which the report is cast is not altogether unusual. This particular specimen occupies 33 pages of the appendix to the proceedings. Among the topics treated are "Americanism", "Increase in Membership" (under which we find a quotation from our Grand Master Harcourt's address), "Questionnaires and Examination of Applicants," "Collective or Group Ballotting," and "The Worldwide Unrest." It will be perceived that these are the topics of the day, and others of which he treats that we have not named are equally so.

Brother Darling's successor is Past Grand Master Eugene S. Weston, of New Haven.

Archie S. Harriman, Middlebury, Grand Master (re-elected).

Henry H. Ross, Burlington, Grand Secretary.

VICTORIA.

In describing a year ago the proceedings of the United Grand Lodge of Victoria in 1919, we gave a slight account of its origin and jurisdiction. We have now before us the proceedings of 1920, and find that Frederick Thomas Hickford, an eminent lawyer, is still Grand Master and doing good work.

Quarterly Communications were held in Melbourne in March, June, September, and December, 1920, and a Special Communication on the 3rd June, 1920, to commemorate the visit of the Prince of Wales to Melbourne. A large number of members of the Grand Lodge, other members of the Craft, and visitors from various Jurisdictions, assembled on this

occasion in the Exhibition buildings, Melbourne. There were addresses and singing and a resolution of loyalty was proposed and carried. The Prince himself was not present, although he was in Melbourne at the time. During his tour he was constrained to decline all Masonic invitations.

We quote with admiration the following remarks of Grand Master Hickford in the course of his address at the March Communication:—

"We see Freemasonry constantly accused of being a secret society. It seems to me that the accusers are really much more secret than we are ourselves. Freemasonry needs no defence; it is insistent of those eternal principles that are the inspiring note of the world's humanity. Of course, we recognise that every successful institution incites individual hatred and uncharitableness, and, moreover, we do see it stated that a certain section of this community must not belong to Freemasonry, because it is an international capitalistic and monarchistic secret society. That it is international we quite admit, and that it has its ramifications through the whole of this great globe of ours, we cannot deny. We say that Freemasonry is universal in its application, because it applies and makes an appeal to human principles. It is cosmopolitan, international, comprehensive, and wide-reaching in its efforts and effects. To say that it is capitalistic is an abuse of terms, because the humblest can enter our ranks provided he is of good repute. We fix no monetary value on our members. We recognise that in Freemasonry there is co-equality in citizenship. Our one common ground is our common humanity. We say that every fine character in Freemasonry is co-equal with another fine character, that every fine character is independent altogether of rank or position. We admit monarchs into our ranks not because they are monarchs, but because they are human like ourselves. We recognise no distinction of rank, but hope and trust we shall always recognise distinction of character, which should be the mainstay of this organisation."

The statistics for 1919 were given at this meeting. The total membership at the end of that year was 20,302, and the net increase 1,968—the largest in any year since the formation of this Grand Lodge. Nine new Lodges had been consecrated in 1919, which (we think) brings the number up to 248.

On the 1st October, 1920, died Herbert Manning Knight, Past Deputy Grand Master and a Grand Lodge Trustee, greatly esteemed and beloved.

F. C. Hickford, Grand Master, re-elected.

C. J. Barrow, Freemasons' Hall, 25 Collins Street, Melbourne, Grand Secretary.

VIRGINIA.

The 143rd Annual Communicataion of this ancient and honourable Grand Lodge was held in Richmond on the 8th, 9th, and 10th February, 1921. The volume of proceedings is a large one, but the proceedings themselves were so harmonious and conservative that there is little of novelty to be noticed. The Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother William W. Galt, of Norfolk, presided and read a masterly address, in which he alluded with much feeling to "an irreparable loss in the death of our beloved Past Grand Master Philip Kurzner Bauman" and "our beloved Brother Fred Pleasants, Grand Treasurer."

An interesting passage in the address of the Grand Master referred to the disappearance of William Morgan, who in 1826 published a pretended exposition of Masonry, following his rejection by a Lodge. Enemies of the Order charged that Morgan was foully removed; but the Grand Master said:—

"I wish to record something that is known to but few of this generation and was believed to be authentic by all who knew the two distinguished gentlemen mentioned. My father, a well-known scholar and devoted Mason, with a deep knowledge of the history of the Craft in this as well as in other countries, told me years ago that Captain Kennedy, of the United States Navy, a man of the highest intelligence and character, who retired on account of age before the Civil War, whom I remember well as a resident of Norfolk, had often said to him that *after 1826* while cruising in the Mediterranean, Morgan was a frequent visitor on board his ship, and lunched with him and the other midshipmen in the steerage on many occasions."

This is a valuable bit of evidence.

We had some trouble in finding the statistics, but we succeeded. Modesty evidently prevented the Grand Secretary from placing his record of a phenomenal growth in a conspicuous place. There appear to be 331 Lodges, with a total of 35,200 members, and a net gain in a year of 3,879.

Virginia is nothing if not conservative. We observe that she adheres to the 18th century urns in the memorial pages.

The reviews of the proceedings of other Grand Lodges are again the work of Past Grand Master Joseph W. Eggleston. In truly orthodox fashion he begins with Alabama and ends with Wyoming, and supplies neither introduction nor conclusion to his report. One must look to the reviews for his opinions—and one does not look in vain. Take this, from his review of Minnesota:—

“We are decidedly of opinion that Minnesota and other Jurisdictions could get valuable light on that great mistake, the Masonic Service Association, from the report of that superbly brainy man, Alexander H. Bell, P.G.M. of Illinois. However, we already see indications of its manifest uselessness and predict its early demise. Federation would be Masonry’s gravest mistake, and who can doubt that this association is but a first step toward a General Grand Lodge. (See Illinois).”

Nevertheless the association has warm supporters outside of Minnesota, and we do not expect an early demise. Minnesota has found a new use for the association—to act as a guide to the Grand Lodges in the matter of recognition of foreign Grand Lodges.

John S. Bottimore, Tazewell, Grand Master.

Charles A. Nesbitt, Richmond, Grand Secretary.

WASHINGTON.

The 63rd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Washington was held in Tacoma on the 8th and 9th June, 1920.

Thomas Edward Skeggs, of Olympia, Grand Master, delivering the annual message, said that the year

had been one of unprecedented prosperity, and the general condition of the Craft had been most satisfactory. Death, however, had removed some mighty trees from the Masonic forest. He instanced Brother Ernest Lister, the Governor of the State of Washington, who died on the 14th June, 1919; Royal A. Gove, Past Grand Master, on the 21st January, 1920; and Edward F. Waggoner, Past Grand Master, on the 26th May, 1920.

Governor Lister was born at Halifax, Yorkshire, England, in 1870, came to America in 1884 with his parents, settled in Tacoma, finished his schooling there, became a contractor and the head of a contracting company, began early to take an interest in politics and statecraft, was elected Governor of the State in 1912 and re-elected in 1916. He loved Masonry, and had cherished the ambition to take office in the Blue Lodge and Scottish Rite at the end of his executive term.

The Grand Master discussed, at length and very fairly, the constitution and programme of the Masonic Service Association, and stated his belief that it is such an organisation as is comprehended in the term "General Grand Lodge;" that membership in it requires a surrender of the sovereign rights and powers of a State Grand Lodge; that it has no place in the scheme of Masonry; and that it will impose a heavy financial burden upon its constituent Grand Lodges. A special committee to which the matter was referred concurred in the findings of the Grand Master and recommended withdrawal from the association. A motion for the adoption of the report was almost unanimously carried, "after which a most remarkable demonstration of confidence and esteem was made by the Grand Lodge spontaneously rising and cheering the Grand Master."

The net gain in membership for the year 1919 was 3,081, and the total membership at the end of that year 28,617; 213 Lodges under charter and 6 under dispensation.

The annual "oration" was delivered by W. Bro. Tom W. Holman, Grand Orator. His subject was, "The Material for our Membership". He appealed for strict examination and inspection of the material and the rejection of what was defective. "The prime cause for steady deterioration in Masonry exists when a member has become a formal moralist". This is a good thought. We have all known Masons who imparted with glib tongue the lessons of Masonry, and whose words and actions out of the Lodge were in direct contradiction of the truths they had been uttering within it.

We have written aforetime of Ralph C. McAlaster, Washington's Committee on Correspondence, describing him as an able and scholarly reviewer. His reviews of the proceedings of other Jurisdictions are brief—Canada, in Ontario, 1919, is one of them—but his "Conclusion" is so thoughtful and timely that we venture to give it in full:—

"So ends our writing for this time. The Fraternity, as a whole, is in sound condition. She is facing new problems, and facing them fearlessly. From no quarter does there come any sign of shirking, but there is a marked difference of opinion as to the methods to be adopted in effecting the solutions necessary

"There is one unhealthy sign, at least it so appears to us, and that is the search for new organisations to do the work, the inspiration for which is the Blue Lodge. We must have this or that; we must join in one National or International organisation because we cannot work alone as Grand Lodges; we must so plan and propagate our work that Masonry may get the credit.

"Why? We ask the question fearlessly. Why should we change the methods that have put us into the position of influence which we assert we now occupy in the world? No organisation which stands for specific things and unites only those who think alike can compare with us. Teaching our initiates for generations that they are to comprehend our mysteries individually, and take our lessons out to be radiated through our daily lives into the life of the community, we have established a position that is unassailable. No man knows what the Masonic Fraternity stands for on any question of expediency, but every man knows where it stands on a question of right. The teaching of principle and the establishment of character is our only justification for existence.

The Blue Lodge needs no collaborator. Every time we organise some new society to do her work we lessen her influence and power, and you can rest assured that the exponent of some other instrument has a weakened allegiance to her. SHE IS MASONRY! Be jealous of her name, fame, and reputation. PRESERVE THE LANDMARKS."

The proceedings of 1921 are now before us in a neat, cloth-bound volume. Prefaced to the proceedings is a portrait of James H. Begg, Grand Master of 1920-21, who presided at the 64th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Washington, held in Spokane, on the 14th and 15th June, 1921. The first paragraph of his address tells us so much that is interesting of this great Jurisdiction that we cannot forbear to quote it in full:—

"When, one year ago, your generous kindness elevated me to the highest office in Masonry as Grand Master of the Craft in the State of Washington and in the Territory of Alaska, I had serious misgivings as to whether the condition of my health would enable me to carry out the desire of my heart in rendering to you, throughout my incumbency, such service as would justify your choice and win your approval. The good Lord has been kind to me and has given me the strength to give the closest attention not only to the Lodges within the boundaries of Washington, but also to go to the great Territory of Alaska and visit all its Lodges, with the exception of the Tanana Lodge at Fairbanks and Anvil Lodge at Nome; besides attending the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association at its meeting in the National Capital last February. So great has been the growth of the Craft in our State during the past year that I have, after careful consideration, granted dispensations for 12 new Lodges; and with the marvellous, unprecedented increase of membership in the chartered Lodges, the duties of the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary have been immensely augmented. The influx of the new element in such large volume has constantly perplexed our Lodge officers and led them to appeal to the Grand Master for direction and guidance in all the details of their work. It has been a labour of love to assist them with advice and counsel, but it has also been a labour of vast magnitude."

Three Past Grand Masters died during the year preceding this Communication, and much was said and written about their lives and actions. All three were men of high character and transcendent ability.

The first to go was Nathan Smith Porter, who was Grand Master in 1888 and Grand Treasurer from

1899 till 1919. He was born in New York in 1844. Since 1860 he had lived in Olympia, Washington Territory (now State), and there he died on Christmas-day, 1920. He was a lawyer of high rank, and was frequently called upon to serve in positions of trust.

Levi Ankerry, P.G.M., was a man of mark. Born in Missouri in 1844, he led an active and varied life. In his early days he was a "cattle-king" in Idaho and Washington Territory, and was the first Mayor of Lewiston, Idaho. In 1878, he organised the First National Bank of Walla Walla; became the leading banker of the State and the wealthiest resident of Walla Walla; and was in 1903 elected by the Legislature to the United States Senate, where he served for 6 years. He was Grand Master in 1883-84. His death occurred at his home in Walla Walla on the 29th March, 1921.

The last but not the least of the departed dignitaries was Yancey Crawford Blalock, a much younger man than the other two, having been born in North Carolina in 1859. He was a medical man, practising in Walla Walla, and a very devoted Mason and student of Masonry. He was Grand Master in 1896, and had been for 33 years Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Washington. "His generous disposition was known to all, and he kept himself poor by his liberality." He died in Walla Walla on the 15th May, 1921.

The Grand Master, after referring with much feeling to these departed Brethren, gave an interesting account of his Alaska visits. Masonry flowers in the frozen soil of Alaska. It was said by the Most Worshipful that he would never forget "the many expressions of devotion to the Grand Lodge of Washington which flowed from the lips of our Brethren in Alaska."

The whole address was in every way excellent, but we must hasten on.

The Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Horace W. Tyler, submitted his 16th annual report. He stated

that 6 Lodges had been chartered and 12 started under dispensation during the year; that the total membership was 33,954, and the net gain—by far the largest in any year—5,337. There were then 232 active Lodges, including those under dispensation.

W. Bro. Walter Meier, Grand Orator, made a very thoughtful address upon a wonderful subject—"A Mason's Duty to God, to his Country, to his Neighbour, and to himself."

The Grand Master himself, by special request, delivered an eloquent and instructive lecture on the Symbolism of Masonry.

The learned and highly competent reviewer Ralph C. McAllaster presented his 10th annual "review of the doings of our sister Grand Lodges of the world." He said that 60 volumes had passed through his hands in the preparation of his report; Canada (in Ontario), 1920, was one of them. The report is "topical," that is to say, topics or subjects are treated, and the reviewer's own opinions are offered along with quotations from the volumes perused. The topics are, we think, well selected, and the work is carefully done. We must quote something from his "Conclusion," on the subject of "Publicity:"—

"The outstanding feeling that comes to us from our reading for the year is that Masonry is more and more seeking 'the limelight.' Publicity is courted, not shunned. . . Grand Masters are continually being asked for permission to join in certain public parades in order that the world may 'know where we stand.' The world does know where we stand. It knows that nearly every one of these good movements, no matter the name of the organisation under whose auspices it is staged, is headed and fostered by Masons. That is all it needs to know, and all that it should know.

"Then there is the publicity which is supposed to be for our own benefit in the way of making men want to become members. A certain organisation in our own city recently paraded the streets with a band, stopped in front of a business block, took a man out of his office, lowered him down the front of the building, while a multitude stood and looked on, and led him away to be initiated. All well and good as a stunt, but two or three Brethren have remarked how much

advertising Masonry got out of that. To be sure she did, but do we want that kind of advertising? Is that a Masonic ceremony? Heaven forbid! Was Masonry advertising her regular goods, or was it a special sale?"

John Gifford, County Clerk's Office, Spokane, Grand Master.

Horace W. Tyler, Masonic Temple, Tacoma, Grand Secretary.

WEST VIRGINIA.

We are obliged to turn back to our report of 1920 to establish connection with West Virginia. We then noticed its proceedings of 1919; in 1921 we had no West Virginia; and now (May, 1922) we have the proceedings of 1920, contained in a large volume.

The 56th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge—the printer made us call its predecessor the 59th instead of the 55th—was held in the Masonic Temple, Huntington, on the 10th and 11th November, 1920. Some slight account of Grand Master William K. Cowden, a lawyer of Huntington, who presided, was given to us in 1920. His address revealed a prosperous state of affairs. In opening he said:—

"We are a people united by a mystic tie, but separate and apart unto ourselves: and from our West Virginia hills, and from the utmost bound thereof, come glowing accounts almost incredible of the material prosperity of our beloved institution. We have now 155 chartered Lodges and 3 under dispensation. The smallest has 23 and the largest 829 members. Our membership October 1, 1919, was 22,880; on October 1, 1920, 25,453; this indicates a net increase of 2,573. So far as I am advised, these Lodges are all in sound condition, financially and otherwise, and peace is within our walls and prosperity within our palaces. Such happy conditions seem also to prevail in all of our sister Jurisdictions. From them all come the same reports of unexampled increase, prosperity, and progress."

He spoke favourably of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association; but charged against joining the Masonic Service Association.

There is an echo of the Peace celebration in England in 1919 in the following excerpt from the report of Past Grand Master John M. Collins, Grand Secretary:—

“The resolution adopted at our last Grand Annual Communication expressing our appreciation of the tribute paid to the Honourable John W. Davis, of West Virginia, Ambassador of the United States of America near the Court of St. James, in conferring upon him the honorary rank and dignity of Past Grand Warden, and the resolution expressing our appreciation of the many fraternal courtesies shown by our English Brethren to our Representatives, Most Worshipful Grand Master George S. Laidley, and our Grand Secretary, John M. Collins, on the occasion of the Special Communication held at Albert Memorial Hall in London on June 27th, 1919, in commemoration of the signing of peace among the Nations of the World, were duly engrossed and transmitted to the United Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of England, and to Brother John W. Davis. Due acknowledgment of receipt of the same was made by P. Colville Smith, Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England, with the information that the resolutions would be framed and hung in the library of their Grand Lodge”.

George W. Atkinson, P.G.M. and P.G.S., presents his 29th Annual Report on Foreign Correspondence—a series of very full and careful reviews of the proceedings of 63 Grand Jurisdictions. This veteran correspondent evidently takes pride and pleasure in his work. Under “Canada” (1919) he endorses the conclusions of M. W. Bro. Freed upon French Masonry.

We have also the printed proceedings of 1921. The Grand Lodge had many Special Communications during 1920 and 1921, denoting an active year, but chiefest among them was that held early in the day of the opening of the Annual Communication, the 16th November, 1921, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the West Virginia Masonic Home. Grand Lodge was formally opened in a Lodge-room at Parkersburg, and the Brethren thence proceeded to the site of the Home, which lies about one mile north of that city. The corner-stone was well and truly laid by Grand Master Adrian C. Nadenbousch, and addresses were made by him and several other distinguished Brethren. There was music too and prayer

and benediction. The Home as designed is a stately structure. "As a home wherein the aged, the indigent, and the orphan will be provided with shelter, it will be furnished with ample facilities for the proper care of its charges, and in architecture and beauty will be a worthy monument of the charity and chivalry of the 28,000 members of the 158 Masonic Lodges within the State."

The 57th Annual Communication was opened on the same day (the 16th November, 1921), in the Masonic Temple, Parkersburg, at 7.30 p.m., and the sessions were spread over that and the following day.

An early passage in the address of Grand Master Nadenbousch was the following:—

"It is with inexpressible sorrow that we must number among those once loved and lost awhile, our late Past Grand Master Thomas Wilbur Hennen, who passed to his reward on the 26th November, 1920, at his home in Fairmont, W. Va. On the following Sunday afternoon his remains were borne to their last resting place and accorded full Masonic burial. A strong, honest, lovable, Christian character; honoured in life, mourned in death."

Naturally, the event of the day, the beginning of the erection of the Home buildings, was not forgotten in the address. The Grand Master said:—

"The Grand Lodge, and through it the entire Fraternity, is to be congratulated upon the success attending the laying of the corner-stone of the West Virginia Masonic Home in this city this afternoon. It was, indeed, a notable occasion, a veritable red-letter day in the history of Masonry. Never before have we had the inspiration to bring together in such happy concord so many of our distinguished Brethren, never before the opportunity to witness such whole-hearted and enthusiastic enlistment in a worthy cause. It is the beginning of a new era for Freemasonry in the State of West Virginia. It the answer to doubts, and fears, and hesitation, the promise of united effort that will bring joy, and peace, and comfort, and length of days to many who have almost despaired. It is the one constructive piece of work we have undertaken, and we greatly mistake the spirit of the Craft if it be not made one in which we shall have increasing pride."

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, reporting on the application of the Grand Lodge of Venezuela, South America, for recognition, said:—

“Our Grand Lodge has hitherto, because of their composite origin and Grand Orient organisation, declined to recognise, as legitimate Symbolic Masons, Central and South American Grand Lodges. Until your committee is satisfied that these Grand Lodges have entirely freed themselves from Grand Orient control, we cannot recommend affiliation with this, or any of them.”

By another report of the same committee, recognition of the United Grand Lodge of Queensland was recommended.

These reports were received, and, we suppose, adopted, as nothing to the contrary is stated.

The Chairman of the Committee, George W. Atkinson, P.G.M. and P.G.S., presented his 30th annual review of the proceedings of other Grand Lodges—57 of them in all, of which Canada (in Ontario), proceedings of 1920, is one, and a very well-noticed one.

In his conclusion, Brother Atkinson takes up the cudgels for the Order of the Eastern Star. He cannot understand why the Grand Master of Pennsylvania Masons has inhibited Master Masons from being or becoming members of that Order. It is not, he writes, a Masonic body, and has never claimed to be—consequently it has never sought to deceive the public. It is simply a benevolent, charitable institution. “Because of the fact that Masons are members of it, it has proved to be a wonderful helpmate of the Masonic Fraternity wherever it has been established. In fact, it has proved itself so valuable an adjunct to our Fraternity that many of us feel that we cannot get along without it . . . And, speaking for myself only, I here state that I shall, on all occasions and at all times, stand by it, even to the last ditch. . . . I cannot conceive any sound reason why a Mason should be prohibited from becoming a member of it, any more than he should be inhibited from joining the Elks or the Oddfellows or any other benevolent society”.

Thus a veteran Mason of West Virginia. But, he says also, he is not a member of the Order. What we should like to have is a frank statement from some one who is a member and knows the inner workings. If the forms and ceremonies used in Masonic Lodges are imitated in a society, as we believe they are in many societies such as the Elks and the Oddfellows, and no recognition is given to such society by Masons as such, there can be no ground for complaint. But, if that kind of bastard Masonry is practised in the Chapters of this Order, into which only Masons and the sisters, cousins, and aunts of Masons are admitted, and the Order is "recognised" by a Grand Lodge—many instances of which we have quoted in these pages—what is the result? We read of no other society being recognised—not even the Mystic Shrine and the Grotto, which we understand are exclusively composed of Masons.

Samuel T. Spears, Elkins, Grand Master.

John M. Collins, Charleston, Grand Secretary.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

We have the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Western Australia from April, 1920, to May, 1921. The Quarterly Communications were, owing to authorised changes in the set dates, held at irregular intervals. The first was in Kalgoorlie, on the 22nd July, 1920; the second in Perth, on the 28th October, 1920; the third in Perth, on the 27th January, 1921; and the fourth in Perth, on the 24th February, 1921. The Annual Communication was held in Perth, on the 26th May, 1921.

The statistics are given as of the 31st December, 1920: 103 Lodges (not all active); total membership, 5,243; net gain, 459.

At all the meetings the Grand Master, the Most Reverend and Most Worshipful Brother C.O.L. Riley, Archbishop of Perth, presided.

At the second Quarterly, the Grand Master said:—

“There seems to be a growing request for permission to initiate persons under the age of 21 years, and during the last quarter I granted two dispensations for this purpose and deferred one. While the Constitution authorises the Grand Master to exercise his dispensing powers in favour of the son of a Freemason between the ages of 18 and 21 years, it pre-supposes that the youth shall have arrived at years of maturity and shall be fully able to comprehend the nature of his obligations and his responsibility to the Craft. I have made it a rule to call for an independent report in each case in order to ascertain if the candidate, on account of his youth, is a fit and proper person to be admitted to Freemasonry, as many persons between the ages of 18 and 21 are mere boys and cannot be expected fully to understand the nature of our Institution and what is required of its members. I would recommend to Masters, in whose Lodges under-age candidates are nominated, to have the particulars of such candidates submitted to the Grand Secretary before nomination, as it is very unpleasant to refuse a dispensation after a candidate has been elected.”

We do not remember any recent instances of early initiation in other Jurisdictions.

The death, in England, at the ripe age of 72, of Sir Gerard Smith, was announced at the third Quarterly. He was the first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Western Australia and was probably the most active Brother in bringing about local Masonic self-government for the State, “although it was to his infinite regret that all the Lodges did not join in the movement.” There are still Lodges in Western Australia working under the Scottish Constitution.

This Grand Lodge came into existence on the 27th February, 1900, as the Grand Master mentioned in his address at the third Quarterly. He himself, being then an officer of the Grand Lodge of England, acted as installing Grand Officer, and placed Sir Gerard Smith, who was then Governor of Western Australia, in the chair of the Royal Solomon. In 1908. the Grand Lodge of Scotland “recognised” the Grand Lodge of Western Australia, bringing to an end a long unhappy period. The Scottish Lodges, however, did not join the new Grand Lodge, but continued their adherence to their parent Constitution. The Grand Lodge of Western Australia pledged itself “to work cordially and fraternally with the representative of the Scottish Constitution in this State in promoting the best interests of the Craft.

The Grand Master, reviewing the short history of his Grand Lodge, said that the expectations of the founders had been more than realised. At the beginning there were 33 Lodges and 2,000 members, while now the figures were 103 and more than 5,000. The financial position was splendid, "especially our two Charities, which have between them over £22,000 to their credit."

At this meeting Archbishop Riley was re-elected Grand Master, and was re-installed and proclaimed at the Annual Communication in May, 1921. Speaking, in his address at that meeting, of the place of the Masonic Craft in the civic life of the community, he said that as a body it had none; but the individual Freemason was in a peculiar degree instructed and fitted for the discharge of his duty as a citizen; and he added some significant words:—

"I am not at all sure but that the very fact that we keep quiet and make no display, while the world knows we are united and determined to defend loyalty, has not a greater power in the community than if we proclaimed our determination from the housetops. A secret power which can be called into action at any moment, and a loyal body every member of which is ready to defend with honour the principles for which he stands, have called forth utmost hatred from our enemies and the enemies of our country. It is the greatest compliment that could be paid to us."

On behalf of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, the Chairman, Grand Secretary J. D. Stevenson, presented the committee's annual report, comprising reviews of the proceedings of 60 English-speaking Grand Lodges. He said that the report this year was of more than usual interest on account of the world's unrest and its associate problems, the solution of which was engaging the attention of the Craft everywhere. All manner of schemes had been brought up for serious discussion in different Grand Lodges in various parts of the world, some of which were fanciful, while others were worthy of serious thought. In addition to these problems, there were those which concerned the Craft from within, all of absorbing interest in these changing times.

The reviews are apportioned among the members of the committee and in form resemble our own. They are not, however, arranged in alphabetical order—though we

think it would be better if they were. Canada (in Ontario), vintage of 1920, is reviewed by Brother F. A. McMullen with great care.

His Grace The Archbishop of Perth, Perth, Grand Master.

J. D. Stevenson, Freemasons' Hall, Perth, Grand Secretary.

WISCONSIN.

C. E. Shaffer, Grand Master, opened the 77th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin, in ample form, in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, Milwaukee, on the 14th June, 1921; and Grand Lodge was in full session on that and the following day.

The Grand Master's address was thoughtful and eloquent. Like the walrus, he found that the time had come to talk of many things, and what he said was both interesting and instructive. It gave him great joy as a Mason to be the dispenser of the Grand Lodge charity fund—to answer "those silent calls in which nothing is asked." He also spoke appreciatively of a visit to the Masonic Home at Dousman and discussed the plans for a new main building and an adequate hospital, to be provided by the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Under the head of "Condition of the Craft" Brother Shaffer said that the growth had been unprecedented and the morale of the entire Jurisdiction most excellent. The 286 Lodges in the State of Wisconsin reported a net increase of 3,743 members. The total membership on the 1st January, 1921, was 42,394. The Grand Master had visited 61 of the 286 Lodges. His ideal had been to render the best service of which he was capable to the Craft he loved, to be a counsellor and friend to all who sought his help, and to try to follow in the steps of the men of great souls who had held this honoured office in the past. He had not accomplished all he wished, and had realised the significance of the dying statement of Cecil Rhodes, "So much to do, so little done."

One of the decisions of the Most Worshipful was, that loss of half of the index finger of the right hand disqualifies a candidate for initiation into the rites of Masonry. This is probably based on a correct interpretation of the Constitution, and indeed was approved by Grand Lodge, but it is impossible to help thinking that the law is too strict.

Brother David B. Greene, Grand Lecturer, made an interesting report. Among other things, he said:—

“Overwork in Lodges, as everywhere else, robs work of its zest and pleasure, labour becomes a burden, and the officers the drudges of the Lodge.

“The reflex of this condition is bound to be manifest in the work that they do, and the finer elements of friendship and fellowship are in tendency more or less a missing quantity.

“The problem, therefore, that we face in many districts is only that we have too much work for the limited number of Lodges, and the remedy for our apparent trouble is not to be found in rejecting good material, but in organising a sufficient number of new Lodges in these congested fields to take care of the work that comes to us in a natural way.”

The report of the Committee on Correspondence for the year 1921 was again prepared and presented by Past Grand Master Aldro Jenks. It was his 24th successive annual report, and perhaps one of his best. He says that many of the subjects being considered to-day are the same as he found when preparing his first report, They have not, however, he opines, lost their importance, for each year a new set of readers peruse these reports, so that the old questions are forever new. One subject has disappeared—at least for the present—the attitude to be assumed by American Grand Lodges concerning the traffic in and use of intoxicating liquors. The 18th amendment to the Constitution killed that subject—the traffic and even the use are relegated to the domain of the criminal law. Brother Jenks calls attention to the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association, saying that it seems to be making headway and is enlisting the co-operation and assistance of nearly all American Grand Lodges. Not so the Masonic Service Association, which, as he believes, has attained its greatest strength and is declining. He feels that the

movement is one fraught with danger to Freemasonry, and prophecies that the life of the association will be a short one. It will be seen that this writer has pronounced views and is not afraid to express them.

His review of our proceedings (in Canada Ontario, 1920) is comprehensive and quite fair, while extremely frank. As might be expected, he is conservative in the matter of physical perfection—the Landmarks must not be repealed.

William F. Weiler, Chippewa Falls, Grand Master.

William W. Perry, Scottish Rite Cathedral, 470 Van Buren Street, Milwaukee, Grand Secretary.

WYOMING.

The 47th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge was held in the Armory in the town of Lander on the 14th and 15th September, 1921, and a tale of progress and prosperity was unfolded to the assembled Brethren. The Grand Master, William Otis Wilson, said that never before had there been "such an awakening in Masonry, both among those seeking admission into our great Order and also among the members of the Order, all of whom are earnestly seeking a knowledge of the truth." Speaking of "Our Duty and Opportunity," the Grand Master said:—

"Those things, those organisations, those ideas, alone endure which are right before God. Masonry has endured through the centuries with its members banded together under the banner of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth. It has been said that 'Freemasonry builds its temples in the hearts of man and among nations.' That it has principles which appeal to the human mind as being based on fundamental ideas is shown in the fact that it draws to itself men in all branches of human endeavour, leaders of all professions and employers and employees in every industry. From the time of its formation it has stood between radicalism and terrorism on one hand and tyranny on the other and has become the great mediate stream of human mind and thought which has aided in keeping the world on its level course through the ages between the forces of disorder on the one hand and of law and order on the other. It has helped to lift the world to those great heights which will eventually attune it with the Infinite."

The report of Grand Secretary Joseph M. Lowndes showed 40 chartered Lodges, with a population on the

1st July, 1921, of 5,986, and a net increase of 819 in a year.

The Masonic Home fund is growing, and the interest is being applied for the relief of aged and infirm Masons and their dependants.

Fraternal recognition was accorded to the United Grand Lodge of Queensland.

Frank Alan Holliday was elected and installed as Grand Master of Wyoming Masons for 1921-22. He was born at Laramie, Wyoming, in 1882, the son of Jethro T. Holliday, now deceased, who was Grand Master of Wyoming in 1894-95. Brother Holliday is the first Grand Master who was born in Wyoming, and also the first in that State whose father had held the same high office. He is a University man, a graduate of the University of Wyoming, and the head of a cement plaster company in Laramie. He is a keen Mason and high up in all its branches.

Grand Secretary Lowndes again presents the Report on Fraternal Correspondence—he has shown great industry and much discrimination in his review-work. The proceedings of our Grand Lodge which came under his notice were those of 1920, when Grand Lodge met at Niagara Falls. He has picked out the salient points unerringly.

Frank A. Holliday, P.O. Box 636, Laramie, Grand Master.

Joseph M. Lowndes, Masonic Temple, Casper, Grand Secretary.

CONCLUSION.

We find that we have reviewed, more or less fully, 76 volumes of reports. The majority are of 1921, but there are many of 1920, and a few of 1922. The completion of the reviews—such as they are—leaves us gasping. The 76 volumes belong to only 65 Jurisdictions, because in 11 cases we have volumes for two years. We must say, as we may have said before (this is our 3rd annual report), that we have been living for more than

two months in the very best society. The 76 Grand Masters and 65 fellow-correspondents (not co-respondents) with whom we have been communing are all what Mr. Bayham Badger called "first-rate men." Some of them are marvellous writers, and all of them are tremendously in earnest. If one thing is more noticeable than another it is the insistence everywhere upon the high mission of Masonry and its importance at this stage of the world's existence.

Although we have had before us 76 volumes and 65 separate Grand Jurisdictions, we have by no means exhausted the English-speaking Masonic Grand Lodges. We have no New York, no England, no Scotland, and no North Dakota—not to mention others. Why their proceedings have not reached us, we know not.

In the interchange of views with the members of the Correspondents' Round Table—a phantom table—we find some commenting and criticising and others merely narrating. In the foregoing pages we have tried to pursue a middle course—it is not often, perhaps, that comment is necessary, but some matters are controversial in their nature, and we have not hesitated to give our opinion, for what it is worth, in cases where there is obvious room for two opinions at least.

In respect of the Order of the Eastern Star, the Doctrine of Physical Perfection, the Mexican difficulty, the Masonic Service Association of the United States, the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, the remarkable increase in numbers all the world over and the consequent responsibility, the Recognition of Latin Masonry, and the Language Question, we have quoted extensively and have occasionally commented.

Apart from these great subjects, there are three things which we wish to bring to the attention of the Brethren.

One relates to the form and contents of the annual volume issued by each Grand Lodge. We recommend the form of the New South Wales volume, which we have

endeavoured to describe in dealing with that Jurisdiction, ante. As to contents, we need more contemporary biography. Many of the Grand Lodges of the United States are mindful of this. It is a great aid to the historian. It is not necessary to wait until a distinguished Mason is dead to tell something about him. We have portraits. Each portrait should be accompanied by a brief biography.

The second thing is merely a curiosity. We find that in the Australasian States the sons of Master Masons are sometimes initiated between the ages of 18 and 21. A "Lewis" has this privilege according to English Masonic law, we understand. We do not recommend the practice. Archbishop Riley, Grand Master of Masons in Western Australia, granted two dispensations in 1921 for this purpose, but, as he said, he had to exercise great caution.

The third thing is also curious—the admission of a candidate to all three degrees at a Special Communication of Grand Lodge. This occurred in South Carolina, the candidate being The Right Reverend William A. Guerry, Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of that State. No doubt it is frequently done in great emergencies, such as occurs when soldiers are departing for the war, but there was no hint of emergency in this case. It was simply an exercise of the Grand Master's prerogative.

The year 1921 was not so prolific as 1920, but the increases in membership generally were very large. We have found no case of a decrease in the aggregate membership of the constituents of any Grand Lodge.

Masonry is everywhere prosperous and its rulers and members are increasing in wisdom and knowledge.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

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