

The wounded men are supremely satisfied at the result, and their story has given them quite a celebrity among their fellow-sufferers. At Iges, where the French prisoners were placed after the capitulation of Sedan, and where, it is but too true, they were all but starving, some of their numbers contrived to make it known to their captors that they were Masons, and though this was ineffectual in many instances, the sturdy and uninitiated Prussians laughing the Masonic gestures to scorn, wherever it succeeded, the men obtained little comforts which were priceless. A stout trooper was seen handing a warm frieze coat to one prisoner, and giving part of his rations to another; and explained his conduct to an inquirer with a sheepish smile, which spoke volumes, "They are my brothers, though I have fought with them, and they are hungry and cold, and must be helped. They would do it for me." These are mere typical cases. But it is impossible to mix much with the troops, particularly after a battle, without hearing of kindred instances of Masonic usefulness.

FAREWELL ADDRESS.

We have been requested by the brethren of Petrolia Lodge No. 194 to publish the following address to Bro. Lombard, on his departure from Petrolia, Ont. and his reply thereto.

ADDRESS.

To Bro. Theodore B. Lombard, late of Petrolia Lodge No. 194.

In granting your demit from this, your "Mother Lodge," we the undersigned Committee, appointed by the Lodge at a regular Meeting held in the Masonic Hall, Petrolia, Ontario, Canada, on behalf of said Lodge, hereby express to you the regret we feel at parting with a Brother who has on all occasions conformed to all the "established rules and customs of the order," and not only endeared himself to the members of the Craft, but to all who have had any dealings with him.

We cannot but feel regret at losing your genial society, yet we hope the change will prove a benefit to you and yours, and we sincerely trust that you will ever cherish towards us the same kindly feelings that you have ever evinced.

We would also express our kindest regards for Mrs. Lombard, and hope that the G. A. O. T. U., will long preserve you both, in health, happiness, and prosperity.

Petrolia 19th., Oct. }
A. D. 1870. A. L. 5870. }

Signed on behalf of the Lodge.

DAVID TROTTER, W. M.
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A. SMILEY, J. W.
P. BARCLAY, TREAS.
W. E. REYNOLDS, I. G.
OCTAVIUS PRINCE, SEC'Y.
Committee.

REPLY.

W. M. and Brethren.

I can hardly express to you my feelings on receiving your kind and brotherly address when I reflect how short a time I have been one of you, but I also appreciate it the more, when I think the sentiments you express, are the same you have felt for me during the five years that I have been amongst you. In leaving Petrolia I feel that I leave behind me many good and true friends, and believe me that I shall always cherish the remembrance of my friends and Brethren in Masonry, and shall always look forward to the prosperity of my "Mother Lodge." It is almost needless for me to say, that on behalf of Mrs. Lombard, I sincerely thank you, for your kind expressions for our future welfare.

And in closing, I will say, that I shall always be happy to meet, sorry to part, and happy to meet again, with you one and all.

Fraternally Yours,

THEODORE B. LOMBARD.

Petrolia Oct., 21st., 1870.