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WE wish our readers the compliments of the season, and trust that the year 1896 will be a prosperous one for themselves as well as the Craft.

As nearly all the Lodges in Canada install their officers in December, January will be an anxious month with many of our W.M's as well as other officers of the different lodges. Everyone will be anxious to show how well they can perform their allotted work, and that the interests of the Craft confided to them have been well and worthily bestowed. We have every confidence that these expectations will be fully realized.

WE often receive from lodges the full list of their officers, but we fail to publish them, as there are so many lodges in the Dominion, and if wepublished the list of officers in eachlodge, our magazine would contain nothing else, and the general interestsof our readers must be considered.

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WE are often amuzed at the parrotlike speeches of so many members, at the supper table, in replying to thetoast of the visiting brethren, of thepraise they bestow on the officers of the Lodge they visit for the manner in which these officers perform. their part of the work. This portion of the speech should be left to thevisiting D.D.G.M., whose particular duty it is to attend to the work. But why should a mere visitor take upon, himself to express his opinion on this subject? If he speaks at all, commonpoliteness forces him to give compliments, whether deserved or not, and why should he compliment a Master in the Craft for doing what is his duty to. do, and if not able to do, would be an insult to the Lodge for placing an officer in a position he is not qualified to fill. If a visitor has nothing to communicate he should be excused.

In the ante-room of the Masonic Hall, Toronto Street, Toronto, the walls are being adorned with com-