

due time filled the chair of W. M. He was the first Master and founder of the Callender Lodge, 1052, and of the Travellers' Lodge, 1253. In the Provincial Grand Lodge of East Lancashire he was elected, by the unanimous voice of the brethren, Provincial Grand Treasurer, and was afterwards appointed by the late Bro. Stephen Blair, P. G. M., to the office of Prov. G. S. W., and on the death of Bro. Lawrence Newall to the Deputy Provincial Grand Mastership, which he filled up to the time of his death, having been re-appointed by his present P. G. M., Bro. Col. Starkie. Bro. Callender also filled the position of Prov. G. H. in the Royal Arch Chapter of East Lancashire, and was a P. G. D. of England, and a P. G. A. S. in the Supreme Royal Arch Chapter. It is, however, in connection with the Mark Degree that our lamented brother deservedly reaped the fullest honors that could be bestowed upon him. It will be in the recollection of every member of the Mark Degree that it was entirely through the personal popularity and esteem in which Bro. Callender was held by all that the union of the English and Scottish Mark lodges was happily effected, and when, therefore, Bro. Lord Limerick, the G. M., appointed him to the office of Deputy Grand Master of Mark Masons in England, it was acknowledged by all to be peculiarly appropriate. As the Prov. Grand Mark Master of Lancashire, Bro. Callender took a deep interest in the degree, and presided at every Provincial Grand Lodge. He was a member of the 31^o, a P. E. C. of the Jerusalem Encampment of K. T., a member of the Rosicrucian College of the Northern Counties, a P. M. P. S. and Intendant General of the Red Cross of Constantine, and M. V. Grand President of the Order of High Priesthood for England. The Provincial Grand Lodge and Chapter of the Royal Order of Scotland for Lancashire and Cheshire have also to mourn the loss of their chief. His remains were interred at Heaton Mersey Church on Saturday, 29th January, and amongst all the floral tributes of affection which were placed on the coffin lid, none were offered with more genuine sympathy or more lasting regrets than the sprigs of acacia which fell from the hands of his brother Masons. Peace to his ashes. He rests from his labors, and his works do follow him.

THE Forest, Lambton, *Express*, gives the following account of the death of Bro. Thomas S. Shortt: He was born in Spain 1813, during the Peninsular War, his father being Surgeon of the 47th Regiment. He was in his 4th year when he first saw British soil. His father's Reg't being ordered to Canada he of course accompanied it, and in course of time having received a first-class education, he obtained the appointment of cashier in the Bank of Upper Canada, a position which he filled with credit and respect for 18 years. Retiring from that position he opened store at St Mary's in 1861, and removed from there to Forest in 1874. In 1845 he was initiated into the Ancient Order of Free Masons in St. Andrew's Lodge Toronto, then No. 487, as there was no Grand Lodge in Canada at the time, and the work was done under the G. L. of England. The Earl of Zetland being (the present No. is 16) Grand Master. He also shortly after joined the R. A. Chapter. Soon after settling in St. Mary's he joined St. James' Lodge, No. 73, and acted as W. M. for 3 years, and on his retirement was presented with a valuable Past Master's jewel and an Honorary Membership for life. In 1871, he joined with the writer of this and 6 more, in procuring a warrant for Forest, No. 263, of which he took charge for two years, and on his retirement was presented with a handsome Past Master's Apron and an Honorary Membership for life. Up to the time of his death he continued an earnest working brother in the craft. As a citizen, his activity in every object *pro bono publico*, justly earned him the respect and esteem of all, and his kindly genial nature endeared him to many outside his own family. As a member of the Church of England, he was ever ready to make himself useful in advancing the cause he loved. I have already given his Masonic character, he having been a working brother in the craft for over 30 years. Such was the character of the man who has been so suddenly removed from our midst, and it is written by one who knew him well. In fine he had many friends, many who entertained much warmer feelings towards him, and not one enemy. Let me die the death of the righteous and may my last end be like his.

DIED in this city, on the 3rd inst., Bro. W. C. Beatty, of St. John's Lodge, No. 40, Hamilton. The deceased has been for more than twenty-five years in the Customs, and at his death was Surveyor of the Port. His illness was a long one. The funeral took place on the 6th, the brethren of the different Lodges mustering strongly. The brethren assembled at 2.30, in the Masonic Hall, James Street, and afterwards marched to the residence on MacNab Street. The pall bearers were Bros. Collector Kittson, Herbert Dixon and W. Gillespy, of the Customs, Collector Patton, of the Inland Revenue office, and Bros. W. Munday, and Torrance. The solemn cortege on reaching Burlington Cemetery, under the guidance of Right Worshipful Bro. Mason, Grand Secretary, proceeded to the grave, where, after the usual Church of England burial service by Dean Geddes, the Masonic service was read. The ceremony was impressive and produced a pleasing effect on all present.