

Arcade Hall, where a banquet had been prepared. About 200 Masons sat down around a magnificent spread. W. Bro. Hoodless occupied the chair, and about him were gathered all the eminent brethren who were present. After the repast had been thoroughly sampled, "The Queen and the Craft" was proposed and drunk with three cheers and a tiger. Then the Secretary of the Committee, W. Bro. T. Clappison, read fraternal letters from R. W. Bro. Kivas Tully, Toronto, representing the Grand Lodge of Ireland; R. W. Bro. Robert M. Stewart; Dresden, D. D. G. M.; R. W. Bro. R. Walkem, Kingston, D. G. M.; R. W. Bro. W. J. Simpson, Brookville, G. J. W.; R. W. Bro. T. P. Smith, Elora, D. D. G. M.; R. W. Bro. E. H. D. Hall, Peterboro', P. D. D. G. M.; Rev. C. L. Worrel, Morrisburg, Grand Chaplain; R. W. Bro. J. C. Gunn, Walkerton; R. W. Bro. Robert Hendry, jun., Kingston; R. W. Bro. Fred Walsh, Kingston, D. D. G. M.; R. W. Bro. James H. Burnett, Pembroke, D. D. G. M.; R. W. Bro. A. L. Riddel, Brookville, D. D. G. M.; R. W. Bro. C. H. Webster, Binghamton, N. Y. (a member of Barton Lodge), R. W. Bro. Thomas Sargent, Toronto; R. W. Bro. R. B. Hungerford, London; W. Bro. Henry Bickford, Dundas; R. W. Bro. Kearns, Burlington, D. D. G. M.; W. Bro. F. M. Carpenter, Stoney Creek; R. W. Bro. J. S. Dewar, London, P. G. J. W.; and Bro. E. E. Sheppard, Toronto. The toasts were then proceeded with, that of "The Governor-General and Lieutenant-Governor" being next on the list. Then that of "The M. W. Grand Master and Grand Lodge of Canada" was honored with rousing cheers, Grand Master Robertson, Past Grand Masters Seymour and Klotz, and Grand Secretary J. J. Mason replying. "Our Guests" was responded to by the M. W. Past Grand Master, Bro. Hugh Murray. "The Army, Navy and Volunteers," "Canada Our Home," "The New Lodges in Hamilton District," "The

Mayors and Corporations of Hamilton and Brantford," "Sister Lodges" "The Press," "The Ladies," and a number of volunteer toasts followed, intermingled with good songs and rousing speeches, and the company broke up at an early hour in the morning.

A FRATERNAL VISIT.

One of the most important events in Freemasonry, which have taken place in Hamilton, Ont., for a good while was the visit of St. John's Lodge, No. 209, of London, to Lodge of Strict Observance, No. 27, on the 15th March. Besides the thirty or more visitors from London, and a number from Toronto and other places, there was a turn-out of 250 or 300 members of the city lodges. Those from St. John's Lodge, London, were:—W. Bros. A. E. Cooper, W. M.; James Smith, S. W.; Geo. C. Davis, J. W.; John Siddons, Secretary; Arthur Carrothers, S. D.; J. T. Stephenson, J. D.; Jas. H. Hodgins, I. G.; R. W. J. S. Dewar, W. A. Reid, H. Armitage, H. J. Brown, John A. Rose, J. M. Dufton, J. M. Shaw, Alex. McDonald, Wm. Ryan, Geo. McComb, Geo. Pelton, John Harris, D. Ferguson, H. S. Rhyoard, T. A. Rowat, O. W. Smith, Geo. H. G. Hawthorne, Geo. P. Lilly, D. Burns, J. Graham, John Burns and others. There were also present from a distance Bro. T. B. Robb, Constitution Lodge No. 241, New York City; W. Bro. T. F. Lash, Ionic Lodge, Toronto; W. Bro. M. MacLeod, Zetland Lodge, Toronto; W. Bro. J. D. Crockett, King Solomon's Lodge, Jarvis; R. W. Bro. Simpson, King Solomon's Lodge, London; W. Bro. Wm. Crawford, Valley Lodge, Dundas; W. Bro. B. C. Mooley, Mountain Lodge, Thorold; A. R. Beymington, Rehoboth Lodge, Toronto; and W. Bro. Henry Bickford, Dundas. The M. W. P. G.