

holiday during Bro. Walkem's stay in the city we were debarred the privilege of enjoying the call he made at our office, but we understand that he was royally received by the brethren of the Pacific and Prairie Provinces. At Victoria, Vancouver, and other places in British Columbia, the brethren were profuse in their attentions, and upheld their reputation for open-hearted hospitality. His experience at Winnipeg was similar, and at Port Arthur he received a right royal welcome. There was a large turn-out on the occasion of his visit when he installed R. W. Bro. Ray, the D.D.G.M. elected at the recent meeting of the Grand Lodge in this city.

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H. R. H., the Prince of Wales, G. M. of the Grand Lodge of England, is not a mere figure-head, as he takes a deep interest in the welfare of the Craft. At a recent gathering of Freemasons in Sheffield, Eng., Bro. Col. Shadwell H. Clerke, Grand Secretary, assured the brethren that "they must not imagine because they did not see the Prince of Wales often amongst them in Grand Lodge, that he took only a slight interest in the Order. That was not the case. It had always been a matter of wonder to him that the Prince of Wales with his innumerable engagements could give so much of his time to his Masonic work. When in town he (the gallant Colonel) was constantly sent for to Marlborough House. Some point had cropped up, and the Prince went carefully into the details, mastering them thoroughly. There was no point of any magnitude in which he did not exhibit the greatest interest, which extended to everything connected with the Order."

The National Board of Relief, with which is affiliated several local Canadian boards, meets in Louisville, Ky., on September 29th. The visiting brethren will be looked after by the local board of Louisville, part of the programme being an entertainment at the Masonic Home. The *Masonic Home Journal*, of Louisville, referring to the proposed entertainment, says:—"The expenses of this feast of intellectual and physical tidbits will be borne by the Louisville Board of Relief, and having it at the Home will benefit that institution also, because of the fragments that will be left. Masonic tramps have found, since the organization of this National Board, that their occupation is gone, so far as cities in which contributing boards are organized are concerned, and they now prey upon the lodges in other places, who would find it much to their pecuniary advantage to enquire into the matter."

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Among the lodges recently consecrated in England is the Dagmar Lodge, Wraysbury. Rev. Bro. J. Studholme Brownrigg, P. G. Chaplain, explained how the lodge came to be named the Dagmar, his remarks being taken from the *Freemason*, London:—"Upon the death of King Christian VIII., who was deservedly mourned by the nation, as was that Prince whose death they had recently experienced, his successor reigned but a few months, and in character was the reverse of his brother. The Danish nation looked around for a Prince worthy to occupy the throne of the nation, and they selected Prince Christian, who at present occupied the throne, and the blameless life that monarch had lived, and the high character of his Court, winning the