

The Halifax lodges are making preparations for the celebration of the anniversary.

ST. JOHN, N. B.

The brethren of St. John have for some time been contemplating the erection of a hall for the use of their Lodges, and have applied to the New Brunswick Legislature for an act of incorporation.

STELLARTON, N. S.

Bro. T. W. Turnbull, P.G., having decided to change his place of abode, was made the recipient of a very flattering address by his brethren of Fuller Lodge.

GRANVILLE, N. S.

The Grand Master of the Lower Provinces instituted Guiding Star Lodge, No. 21, at Granville, Annapolis, on the 9th of April.

NEW GLASGOW, N. S.

The members of Norton Lodge, No. 6, have formed a Literary and Debating Society, to be called, "Philologists of Odd-Fellows," to meet in their hall every Saturday evening, at 7:30 o'clock. The following are the officers: John Fraser, G.S.; Geo. G. Graham, S.; Stephen M. McKenzie, Sec.; John McK. Graham, M. D., Treas.; Samuel McDonald, S.; Thomas B. Smith, W.; John J. Grant, C.; Daniel McDermid, Thomas H. Walsh, and John Fraser, S. C. We have not the remotest idea what all these titles stand for; but the object is a good one at all events.

The members of Norton lodge mourn the death of an esteemed brother, Jno. A. Ross, who died of consumption on the 20th of March, aged 29 years. His widow was presented with the following address of sympathy by the lodge:

DEAR MADAM,—On behalf of the members of Norton Lodge, No. 6, I. O. O. F., we desire to convey to you a heartfelt expression of their deep sympathy with you in the sad bereavement with which you have been visited in the death of your husband and our brother. We esteemed him very highly as a man and a brother Odd-Fellow. Knowing how much sadness such an event brings into an earthly home, where pure and earnest love is the guiding star of home life, we would re-

member the divine injunction "to weep with those who weep," and by words of tenderest sympathy strive to alleviate the sorrow which wells up in your heart. We rejoice to know that to you it is given to feel that your dear husband is "not lost but gone before"—that when your heavenly Father sees fit to call you home you will meet beyond the river with the loved ones gone before. It is our desire that we may all so live that when life's voyage is over we may all be re-united in the Grand Lodge above where partings are unknown and sorrow never comes.

THOMAS H. WALSH, N. G.

STEPHEN M. MCKENZIE, V.G.

GEO. J. GRAHAM, Sec'y.

*Reply.*

DEAR FRIENDS,—I cannot allow such feeling expressions of sympathy to pass silently. While life lasts I shall thankfully remember your great kindness manifested to my dear departed husband and myself during his illness, and the tender sympathy bestowed upon us at his death and at the death of our little daughter. My earnest prayer is that the blessing of Heaven may rest upon you all.

ELIZABETH ROSS.

KEMPTVILLE, N. S.

On Wednesday evening, 7th April, a Lodge was instituted at the shire town of the flourishing county of Kings. The Lodge was instituted by Grand Master, Alex. Robertson, of St. John, assisted by a delegation of brothers from "Western Star" Lodge, Annapolis, and a number of brothers from Halifax Lodges. It was called "Evangeline" Lodge, and ranks No. 20 on the registry of the Grand Lodge of the Lower Provinces of B. N. A. After the ceremony of institution the following were elected, and duly installed, as officers of the Lodge: John A. Fuller, N.G.; W. T. Fullerton, V.G.; Thomas W. Cox, Treas.; Wm. H. Chisholm, Secy.; D. D. Davison, W.; John Murdoch, Con.; W. E. Roscoe, I. G.; Thomas Calder, R. S. N. G. The brothers of the Lodge have fitted up a very neat hall, which reflects great credit on them. The Lodge is composed of excellent material, and promises in a short time to be as flourishing as any in the jurisdiction.—*Glasgow Chronicle.*