

A scheme is on foot in one of the city Lodges to start a recreation room for the benefit of the members, and such as they may choose to invite to the room, under certain well-defined rules, and according to the arrangements stipulated by the Management Committee to whom the matter will be referred. There can be no gain-saying the fact that a room, such as that proposed, will have the effect of still further cementing and binding together the members of the Lodge which has taken the initiative. But the by-laws and constitution must be very carefully drawn up, and every precaution made to prevent loopholes, which will be partaken of by those of hilarious turn of mind. The scheme is one which will bear discussion, and every consideration should be given to the views of those who do not see eye to eye with the projectors of the movement.—*London Free Press*.

The funeral of the late Mr. Joseph Vogan of the Revere House, took place on 11th ult., to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. The service at the house was conducted by Rev. William Patterson of Cooke's Church. The beautiful service of the Craft was given at the grave. There was a large attendance of the craft. The Masonic ceremony in the city was conducted by Stevenson Lodge, Harris Lodge of which deceased was a member, conducted the burial service.

A lodge of instruction was held in this city, on Friday evening, 21st ult., under the auspices of St. John's Lodge. During the evening R. W. Bro. Wayling, P. D. D. G. M., was presented with a handsome regalia by the district, in recognition of his past services. The presentation was made by R. W. Bro. Roaf, D. D. G. M., in an appropriate speech. The three degrees were then exemplified by different lodges. York Lodge W. Bro. W. R. Hull, W. M., gave the Entered Apprentice, Bro. C. Norris' rendition of the J. W.'s charge was highly commended. Ashlar Lodge W. Bro. W. R. Clarke, W. M., gave the Fellow Craft degree as it should be

given with perfection in all the details of ritual. The Master Masons was then given, by St. John's W. Bro. W. E. Smith, W. M. The W. M.'s charge was very effectively given, and Bro. Smith has been styled the "silver-tongued" Master of the year. After labour, refreshments and happy speeches were in order and a very enjoyable evening spent.

Bro. Rev. W. G. Howson of Alliston, visited Toronto recently, and most effectually filled the Cowan avenue Methodist pulpit on Sunday, March 30th. *The Daily Mail* in alluding to the service styled Bro. Howson "an eloquent young divine of pleasing address."

W. Bro. Geo. Clarke, W. M. of Wilson Lodge, certainly intends to make his lodge popular if work will do it. He has distributed the following post card among the members of the craft in the city: "Dear Sir and Bro.—I want you to be kind enough to make a note in your diary right away that you will attend Wilson Lodge at the meeting, on April 15th, to hear W. Bro. Geo. Tait's lecture, subject: 'Board of Trial.' Be sure and be on hand or you will lose a great treat." Bro. Clarke says that when he walks down town, members of the craft address him as "Mr. Wilson." Bro. Tait's lecture will, certainly, be worth hearing. The Scotch Board of Trial will be exemplified with the assistance of a Scottish Brother.

Most Worshipful Canon O'Mera, Grand Master of Manitoba, who delivered several excellent orations in Toronto recently, so far during his term of office has specially visited thirty-five out of the 40 lodges in his jurisdiction. Considering that these lodges are scattered over a section of territory extending from the boundary of Ontario west to the summit of the Rockies and from the United States to the Hudson Bay, the amount of time spent in travel and the expense must have been very great. Few Grand Masters are gifted with either the eloquence or the energy of M. W. Bro. O'Mera.