

EDITORIAL NOTES.

THE Preceptory at Maitland is to be removed to Brookville. So Dame Rumor says.

THE Order of the Eastern Star has never gained much favor in Canada, although there are three lodges in Ontario, and at least two in Quebec.

M. E. Frater Col. MacLeod Moore is, we are glad to learn, greatly improved, and able to attend to business.

SECRETARIES of lodges, &c., are requested to furnish us with all the local news they can find.

ONE or more Rose Croix Chapters of the Memphis rite will be established shortly in the Muskoka district. V. Ill. Bro. Whitehels has the matter in hand, and Past Grand Master Ramsay has promised to go up to Gravenhurst, Bracebridge and Huntsville, etc., shortly.

Kerr Lodge, Barrie, sends three volunteers to the North-West. They are Capts. Ward, Leadley, and Orderly Clerk McGinnis. Lieut. Charles Spry, oldest son of M. W. Bro. Daniel Spry, P. G. M., is also with the Barrie Co. He is probably the youngest officer at the front, and is a splendid specimen of "Young Canada." The eldest son of M. W. Bro. Dr. Ramsay is also a member of the Barrie Co., with the rank of Sergeant.

Iowa Knights Templar have bought a big field to drill in. If they spent the same amount of money on a home for their impoverished widows and helpless orphans, it would be better. The Christian Sir Knights vie with each other in extravagant excursions and banquets, and allow their orphans and widows to—want. That's the plain truth of all this "junketing," and the sooner the Templars and high rites understand the situation the better.

A PRECEPTORY in a very big town returns half the fees to the candidate so that he can purchase his uniform. Return it all; it is far more important to buy a cocked-hat and look like a Texan Militia General than bestow a mite upon the starving widow and helpless orphan. Wear your cocked hats and plumes, Christian Knights, strut down the streets to the strains of martial music, and leave the care of your widows and orphans to the Workmen and Royal Arcanum.

THE Executive Council of the Sovereign Sanctuary met on the 11th inst., at the Walker House, Toronto. The accounts were thoroughly audited; diplomas, charters, rituals, &c., ordered to be forwarded at once; the insurance scheme placed on a proper basis, and suitable resolutions of condolence to the family of the late Grand Master-General drawn out. M. W. Bro. Daniel Rose now takes the place of Bro. Longley.

WE have duly received the *International Masonic Review*, published at Detroit. It is a neatly gotten up journal, has a few good hits at THE CRAFTSMAN; advises union of Grand Lodge of Canada and so-called Grand Lodge of Ontario; favors the irrepressible Judge Burt; pokes fun at a good many people and things; drives away in real good style at Bro. Ramsay; is amusing and readable. If it will not advocate "bogus" Masonry, and "clandestine" Masons, we trust it will prosper, but if it commits so great an error, then—Oh! then.

THERE apparently is a revival in interest in the Cryptic rite, as several Councils are seemingly putting their houses in order before the meeting of the Grand Council at Toronto-next month.

THE R. W. D. D. G. M.'s are now at work. The *Free Press* (London) gives the D. D. G. M. of that district a "dig" for not visiting the London lodges. He had better stir himself.