

welcome he, as was meet and fitting, recited an original poem of much merit entitled "In White Array;" and "inscribed" to G. M. Bro. Clark.

After the close of Grand Lodge, Bro. Morris delivered a lecture on "his visit to Europe and the Holy Land," and R. W. Bro. the Rev. Canon O'Meara, Grand Chaplain, addressed the assembled brethren on the "Deeper Teachings and Ancient History of Freemasonry," for both of which, "votes of thanks were tendered the lecturers, and expressions of high appreciation were made."

In closing our brief but pleasurable review of the next prior to the second "seventh" Annual Assembly of the pioneer Grand Lodge of the Canadian West and North-West, to which we proffer our continued "heartly good wishes," we are impelled to "crack our little joke" *re* the "finis" of the published Proceedings, by mentioning the fact that the official signature of the Grand Secretary is "legibly written and correctly punctuated!"

The following are the officers of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba for the current year:—

M. W. Bro. Thomas Clark, Winnipeg, Grand Master; R. W. Bro. James Alexander Ovas, Rapid City, Deputy Grand Master; R. W. Bro. David James Goggin, Winnipeg; W. Bro. Stanley Thorpe Carr, Carman; B. W. Bro. Thomas Collins, Portage la Prairie; W. Bro. James Rogerson, Rapid City; W. Bro. Alexander Burns, Brandon; W. Bro. Henry Sikes, Battleford; W. Bro. James Brogden, Calgary; R. W. Bro. Levi Abraham Cohen, Tangier; W. Bro. James Weidman, Qu'Appelle. D. D. G. M's; R. W. Bro. William George Bell, Winnipeg, Grand Senior Warden; V. W. Bro. Roland O. Brown, Portage la Prairie, Grand Junior Warden; R. W. Bro. Rev. Canon James Dallas O'Meara, Winnipeg, Grand Chaplain; R. W. Bro. Joseph Daniel, Moosomin, Grand Registrar; R. W. Bro. John McKechnie, Winnipeg, Grand Treas-

urer; R. W. Bro. William George Scott, Winnipeg, Grand Secretary; V. W. Bro. James Andrew Payne, Winnipeg, Grand Senior Deacon; James Allan MacCaul, Regina, Grand Junior Deacon; William Francis Ellis, Manitou, Grand Director of Ceremonies; Thomas Lewis Morton, Gladstone, Grand Sword Bearer; Duncan John Campbell, Fort McLeod, Grand Organist; Thomas Tweed, Medicine Hat, Grand Pursuivant; George Edward Applegarth, Battleford; William Sutherland, Fort Qu'Appelle; Byron Fraser, Morden; Michael Collins, Carberry, Grand Stewards; Bro. John McBride, Grand Tyler.

ESOTERIC LANDMARKS.

The esoteric landmarks of Freemasonry are its *aporreta* which have been, are, and must be, preserved unchanged and unchangeable in every jot and tittle.

The archaic verbalism of the *leges non scriptae* has been and ever should be maintained with the most scrupulous exactitude.

The "ancient charges," as found in the earlier constitutions, have been and are sacredly preserved.

In the esoteric lectures also, the craftsmen universal have, with most praiseworthy fidelity, ever held, and do now "hold fast the form of sound words which they have (and had) heard of" the fathers.

The constitutions and other exoteric regulations of Cosmopolitan Freemasonry, with but few local changes, remain remarkably intact. Those Grand Bodies which have most carefully conserved the ancient "Regulations" are most to be commended. The bane of a few such in these, our days, is new, hasty, and over-much "legislation." These must be duly admonished, held in check, and restrained.

Remove not the ancient landmarks.