

If a modification of the rule as to past rank is also desired, it might be provided that only a Master or Warden who have served a majority, (or two-thirds, or three-fourths,) of the meetings during the year, should be entitled to the privileges of past rank in that office.

CANADIAN MASONIC NEWS.

R. W. Bro. Henry Turner, D. D. G. M. Ontario District, is at present officially visiting the lodges in his district. He is the right man in the right place.

The Grand High Council of the Rosicrucian Society, will hold its annual assembly at Toronto, the day after the Convocation of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters.

The supper celebrating the anniversary of Victoria Lodge, No. 398, G.R.C., at Victoria Road, Ont., was a great success, the whole proceedings reflecting credit on all taking part in it.

We are glad to learn the Supreme Grand Master of the Templars, Col. W. J. B. MacLeod Moore, is, after his long illness, steadily improving, though still too weak to leave his room.

Thorne Lodge, at Orillia, meets usually once a week. A glee club, composed of Bros. Tilley, Cooke, Smith, Tipping, Tudhope, and Blair, add much to the impressiveness of the ceremonies.

The Scottish Encampments in New Brunswick pretend they have not been treated fairly by the Great Priory of Canada. What are the facts of the case? For years the Great (then Grand Priory) has been inviting them to come into the one fold, and a surly "no," or haughty silence, has been the response. They now propose to appeal to the Grand Encampment of the United States for recognition. What nonsense!

Several correspondents are advocating the abolishment of remuneration to the members of the Board of General Purposes. If such were done, what a "wailing and weeping and gnashing of teeth" there would be?

Bro., the Right Rev. Lord Plunkett, a true and zealous Freemason, has been elected, by a very large majority, Archbishop of Dublin. Bro. P. was had been many years Grand Chaplain to the Grand Lodge of Ireland.

M. E. G. Z. COMP. H. L. ROBINSON, of the Grand Chapter of Quebec, has sent, and had printed, a reply to the official letter of the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England, of which Bro. Frank W. Baxter, of Highgate, Vt., has favored us with a copy. It is a strong paper, ably answering the arguments adduced by the Grand Mark Lodge of England. Bro. Baxter informs us, that the Grand Chapters of Canada, Colorado, Connecticut, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Nevada, New Hampshire, New York, Nova Scotia, Ohio, Oregon, South Carolina and Wisconsin have endorsed Quebec; Texas, District of Columbia, Illinois and Vermont have suspended intercourse with the Grand Mark Lodge of England; and Mississippi with all Mark Masons in the jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of Quebec, that do not render allegiance to that Grand Chapter. California, Florida, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, North Carolina, Rhode Island, Tennessee and West Virginia, have taken no action; Delaware, Georgia, Louisiana, Michigan and Virginia have deferred action, until their Convocations of 1885; and Alabama, Arkansas, Nebraska, New Jersey and Pennsylvania are yet to hear from; making twenty-two Chapters that endorse Quebec, nine that have taken no action, five that have deferred action until 1885, and five yet to hear from.