

At a recent Communication of Hochelaga Lodge, No. 57, Q. R., a handsome Past-Master's Jewel was presented to W. Bro. Dickson Anderson, by M. W. Bro. J. H. Graham on behalf of the Lodge. W. Bro. Anderson was the first Worshipful Master and founder of Hochelaga Lodge. An address suitable to the occasion was also presented to the W. Brother and was appropriately replied to. The jewel, which is very elaborately engraved, is of exquisite workmanship, the name and number of the Lodge being placed on the bars in black letters; on the centre of the ribbon from which the jewel is suspended is placed the monogram of the recipient, on the compass is set a large solitaire diamond of great brilliancy, and reflects the greatest credit on Bro. Richard Hemsley who furnished it. After the Lodge was closed the brethren and visitors sat down to a sumptuous repast specially prepared for the occasion, when the usual toasts were drunk and singing and speech-making were kept up in royal style till midnight. All present left well pleased with the evening's entertainment. The following is engraved on the back of the square:—
 "Presented to Worshipful Bro. Dickson Anderson, first Worshipful Master and founder of Hochelaga Lodge, No. 57, by the members, as a slight recognition of his untiring efforts in furthering the interest of Masonry in general and of this Lodge in particular.

WHAT a change, we often think, has come over the outward demeanor, the inner life, the actuality of Freemasonry, let us say twenty years ago. Those of us who remember what Freemasonry in its normal aspect and attitude then was will rejoice to

think how many of the little drawbacks of those days have passed away. There can be no doubt—indeed we speak from distinct realization of the fact—that many worthy men were kept out of Freemasonry a generation ago by the far too social character it had taken up—the prevalence of the Fourth Degree. We have undoubtedly got the better of most of the carelessness and indifference of an earlier generation to Masonic æthetism, to careful and seemly Lodge arrangements, but we seem to be on the eve of another great mistake. *We are too fond of publicity.* We use terms and employ phrases in print which ought not to be used except in the Lodge, and there seems to be a growing tendency to desire to make the outward world, in even Masonic papers, acquainted with our words and ways, our system and our doings. All this is wrong, because it is yielding to a mistaken theory of perverted taste, and we trust, therefore, that we shall strictly adhere to our own wise rules and regulations, and as we rightly discountenance all 'pretenders' in respect of the good old-fashioned plan of Freemasonry, so we shall set our faces against 'innovations,' which are only the product of excitement or frivolity, and have no claim either on the sympathy or support of any 'bright Mason' or any 'true expert' amongst us. Freemasonry like other institutions has, of necessity, some who are merely ornamental and useless members of our great confraternity. We have here and there 'drones,' here and there 'charlatans,' as always in the history of society, and by keeping the 'even mean,' and adhering to the sound principles of 'thorough' and veritable Freemasonry, we shall avoid mistakes on either side, and aid in spreading more widely and founding more firmly among men that really heavenward building which stands erect on the sacred and immovable basis of our kindly, sincere, sympathetic and tolerant Order.—*London Freemason.*