

DORIC LODGE RECEPTION.

The reception given by Doric Lodge, Toronto, on the 21st ult., to the members of Washington Lodge, Buffalo, N. Y., was one of the most pleasant of the kind that has taken place this season in the Queen City of the West.

The visitors arrived at the Union station about six o'clock in the evening, where they were met by a deputation from Doric Lodge, and were by them escorted to the hotels at which they were to stay, part of them going to the Walker House and the remainder to the Queen's.

Doric Lodge assembled at 7 o'clock, when M. W. Bro. Daniel Spry, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, accompanied by several officers of the Grand Lodge, paid an official visit to the lodge. In the course of his remarks Bro. Spry expressed himself very strongly about the rejected material of Doric Lodge being accepted by a Montreal lodge. After routine business the Buffalo brethren were received with grand honors, and the three degrees, as worked by the Grand Lodge of Canada, exemplified. The lodge then adjourned to the Walker House, where a splendid banquet had been prepared.

Among the prominent Masons present from Canada were:—M. W. Bro. Daniel Spry, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada; M. W. Bro. J. K. Kerr, P. G. M. G. L. of Canada; R. W. Bro. Hugh Murray, D. G. M.; R. W. Bro. John Fisher, D. D. G. M.; R. W. Bro. Bernard Saunders, P. D. D. G. M.; R. W. Bro. J. B. Nixon, P. D. D. G. M.; R. W. Bro. J. R. Robertson, G. S. W.; R. W. Bro. J. J. Mason, Grand Secretary; R. W. Bro. Mitchell, Grand Treasurer; V. W. Bro. W. C. Wilkinson, Grand Registrar; V. W. Bro. E. F. Malone, Grand Organist; V. W. Bro. C. W. Brown, Grand Steward; V. W. Bro. A. R. Boswell, Mayor of Toronto; V. W. Bro. W. J. Hambly, Bro. Joseph Wild, D. D.,

Chaplain of Doric, also the Past Masters, Master, and other officers of city lodges, and brethren from various sections of Ontario.

The United States brethren numbered about seventy-five, among whom were:—M. W. Bro. C. G. Fox, G. M. State of New York; R. W. Bro. Charles R. Fitzgerald, W. M. of Washington Lodge; R. W. Bro. William Hengerer, D. D. G. M.; R. W. Bro. John B. Manning, Mayor of Buffalo; W. Bro. Henry B. McCulloch, Master and Past Masters and members of other lodges in Buffalo.

Over two hundred brethren sat down at the tables, which were neatly laid out and tastefully decorated. The bill of fare was all that could be wished, and the arrangements perfect. The toast list opened with "The Queen," followed by the "President of the United States," both of which were loyally honored amid loud applause. Among the other toasts were "The Guests;" "G. M. of the State of New York;" "G. L. of the State of New York;" "G. M. and G. L. of Canada;" "Stars and Stripes and Union Jack;" and "Queen City of the Lakes and the Queen City of the West." In response to these and other toasts speeches were made by the prominent brethren present.

The musical part of the programme was under the direction of Bro. W. F. Tasker, who also acted as accompanist. Songs were given by W. Bro. E. Mumford, Bro. F. Warrington, and Messrs. Wm. Walmsley and Wm. Tinning. The Italian orchestra was in attendance, and gave a number of selections at intervals during the evening. The assembly broke up at an early hour, having spent a most pleasant evening.

The ceiling of the Masonic Hall, in the Harris Block, Winnipeg, fell in last month, and destroyed about \$200 worth of furniture and carpets. The catastrophe was occasioned by the accumulation of snow on the roof.