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When the applause, with which the address was received, had subsided, the Grand Chancellor called upon Past Grand Chancellor King to respond, who replied as follows:—

" Grand Chancellor, Visitors and Delegates :

"I am sure that we all feel that it is good for us to be here, but more particularly when we have listened to this flow of kindly words of welcome so kindly uttered by the Chief Magistrate of this magnificent City. I listened with a good deal of interest to the sentences as they fell from his lips, and I felt that in him we had a good representative of the people of this fair City. He is one of our number. We thank you, Sir, for those utterances, and for the hospitalities and the freedom of the City offered us during our stay, and I can assure you that in the enjoyment of that freedom those present would scorn to do anything that would do them dishonor or make you regret the offer.—
(Applause.)

"This is the 'Forest City.' We read of the forests and their benefits to mankind. If London is a fair specimen of a forest city, I would like to live in one. The lay of the land, the magnificent streets so wide and straight and beautiful, the apparent comfort of the people, the magnificent country which surrounds the City, and the character of those who control its interests, assure me that nowhere could we have chosen a more suitable place for our meeting. I trust that during our stay we may be able to visit the institutions you have mentioned.

"We all of us heartily appreciate your kindness, and I trust that at some future time when our members shall have greatly increased, we shall again visit your City, and shall again find in our midst the present representative."—(Applause.)

Mayor Taylor then stated that he would be unable to be present during the session and attend to his duties as a representative on account of having to accompany a delegation from the Council to represent the city at the funeral of the Rt. Hon. Sir John A. Macdonald.

The Grand Lodge was then called to order.

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