

among her colonies and dependents, but as a Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, the Grand Lodge of England has no more authority and power, than any other Grand Lodge of the craft. The Masonic student ought not to doubt such a proposition. The political student cannot doubt, that it was the arrogant assumptions of Lord North's administration, that made English colonies free and independent states. We sincerely regret that the Grand Lodge of Quebec, had not insisted that M. W. Bro. Dr. Graham, should remain Grand Master of that Grand Lodge, until this question was finally settled."

M. W. E. R. Johnson, of Stanstead, Grand Master; R. W. John H. Isaacson, of Montreal, Grand Secretary. Statistics, — Lodges, 58; initiated, 281; raised, 224; membership, 2,768.

#### KANSAS *or* CANADA.

"The annual communication was held in Ottawa, July 11, 1888, M. W. Bro. Daniel Spry, on the throne, and R. W. Bro. J. J. Mason being Grand Secretary.

"The following brethren of the Grand Lodge of Quebec were present and were received with grand honors: M. W. Bro. E. R. Johnson, G. M.; R. W. Bro. I. H. Stearns, Grand Treasurer; M. W. Bro. John H. Graham, LL. D., P. G. M.; M. W. Bro. George O. Tyler, P. G. M.; R. W. Bro. J. Fred. Walker, D. D. G. M.; R. W. T. Leet, P. D. D. G. M., and R. W. Bro. P. A. Crossby, P. D. D. G. M. Speeches were made by Grand Master Johnson, and Past Grand Master Graham, in acknowledgment of the compliment paid them and other representatives of the Grand Lodge of Quebec.

"Grand Master Spry has won the highest honors within the gift of the Craft in Canada, by solid merit and superior capacity. Each year he wins new laurels in the Masonic field of peace, and each year his worth and talents become more widely known and acknowledged. His address is simple in style, practical and full of facts. Though prosperity in

the main abounded, trials have been the lot of the Order, since death, the common leveler, had invaded their ranks. The following prominent brethren had recently departed this life:—M. W. Bro. W. B. Simpson, R. W. Bro. W. T. Bray, G. J. W.; R. W. Bro. H. Merrill, P. G. J. W., two D. D. G. M.'s, their Grand Secretary, and their Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of the State of New York. Four dispensations to open new lodges had been granted,\* and four declined. Two Masonic Halls were dedicated, and the corner stones of two Episcopal Churches laid.

"The income of Grand Lodge for the year ending May 31, 1888, was \$18,014.90, and the expenditure, \$15,524.52, leaving an excess of the former over the latter of \$2,520.38. At the same date, the cash on hand amounted to \$67,719.63. His report of the response of Grand Lodge to applications for aid, is most conclusive evidence that the fraternity of that Province are not unmindful of the great duty enjoined by charity. From 1867 to 1875, they expended \$32,886.00; from 1876 to 1882, both years inclusive, \$71,369.52, or nearly \$10,200 per year, was expended to help those requiring aid. Under "A Generous Gift," Grand Master Spry reports that the G. S. W., R. W. Bro. J. Ross Robertson, had erected, on the island opposite Toronto, at a cost of \$2,000, a home for sick children, to be called "Lake Side Home for Little Children."

The Grand Lodges of New South Wales, Arizona, and Peru, were acknowledged. The business otherwise dispatched was routine in character, and of local importance.

"Daniel Spry, Barrie, Most Worshipful Grand Master.

"J. J. Mason, Hamilton, Grand Secretary."

The Foreign Correspondence of Grand Lodge of Wisconsin gently hints as follows:—"There is no report on Foreign Correspondence. It seems to us that Canada should be on speak