

CANADIAN MASONIC NEWS.

SUPPER AT NEWCASTLE.—The brethren of Durham Lodge, No. 66, G. R. C., gave their annual supper on the 27th, in the Windsor Hotel, and it proved to be one of the most enjoyable ever held in the village, all present having spent a most pleasant evening. W. Bro. D. Allin presided in a very acceptable manner.

LONDON.—Officers of St. George Royal Arch Chapter, No. 5, G.R.C.: E Comp A R O Jeffery, 1st Principal Z; E Comp H C Simpson, 2nd Principal H; E Comp W R Vining, 3rd Principal J; Comp. W R Browhe, Scribe E; Comp A B Munson, Scribe N; V E Comp M D Dawson, Chaplain; Comp C C Reed, Prin Soj; V E Comp R Lewis, M D, M of C.

Officers of River Park Lodge, No. 356:—W. Bro. G. A Joyce, I. P. M.; W. Bro. James Muler, W. M.; Bros. G. H. Falconer, S. W.; A. A. Graham, J. W.; W. Bro. Robt. Cornish, Treas.; W. Bro. W. H. Davidson, Secretary; Bros. Thos. Beckwith, Chap.; Alfred Eccleston, S. D.; J. P. Hardy, J. D.; Wm. Barber, S. S.; J. Featherstone, J. S.; J. P. Thurston, I. G.; Lewis Shain, Tyler; M. W. Cook, D. of C.

PRESENTATION.—The brethren of Portage La Prairie recently presented W. Bro. Chas. House with a handsome silver set, comprising a water pitcher, two goblets and server, bearing the following inscription:—"Presented to Worshipful Brother C. H. House, D. D. G. M. of District No. 3 by the members of the Masonic fraternity of Portage La Prairie, December 14th, 1883." The presentation was made made by Bro. S. R. Marlatt, of the Assiniboine Lodge, assisted by the officers and members of the Marquette Lodge. Bro. House, in replying, thanked the members of the different lodges for the valuable gift they had seen fit to present him with. He also remarked that at all

times he would be willing to assist in helping forward the cause of Masonry in Portage la Prairie. In closing he again thanked the brethren for their kindness, and reminded them that "the latch-string of his shanty would be always outside to the Masons of Portage La Prairie." Several of the other members present made neat and appropriate speeches. Bro. House left on Saturday for his home in Minneapolis, but he intends spending the winter in New Orleans and Florida.

The agitation in Toronto regarding the election of a permanent Grand Master still goes on, but with declining vigor. The fact is the majority of the Toronto brethren are beginning to see that the best interests of the craft would be seriously affected by such a course of action. We have confidence in the wisdom of Grand Lodge in the selection of good and efficient officers, and until it can be shown that an improper selection has been made, it would be better to allow this absurd agitation to die out.

TORONTO.—Officers of Ionic Lodge installed by R. W Bro C W Postlethwaite: W M, W Bro J R Roaf; S W, Villiers Sankey; J W, F F Manley; Chaplain, Rev H W Davies, D D, L L D; Treasurer, A R Boswell; Secretary, F M Morson; S D, W S S Jackson; J D, J Massey; I G, G S Ryerson; D of C, G H C Brooks; Organist, H Holden; S S, R L Barwick; J S, W S Gordon. The W M appointed V W Bros C. W. Brown the Representative on the Benevolent Board; J. A. Temple, M.D., and W. Roaf Representatives of the Masonic Hall Trust; A. F. MacLean, J. A. Boomer, W. S. S. Jackson, Representatives on the Committee of General Purposes, and L. B. Young and Neil MacLean as Auditors. R. W. Bro. Postlethwaite, on behalf of the members of the lodge, presented W. Bro. W. Roaf, the retiring W.M., with a very handsome Past Master's jewel, as a mark of esteem for the