

The Grand Secretary then presented his Annual Report.
To the R. W. Grand Master and Brethren of the Provincial Grand Orange Lodge of Ontario East:

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BROTHERS,—In presenting my Annual Report, I have to congratulate the members of this Grand Lodge on the continuation of peace and prosperity within our Dominion. Our Association in this Province has steadily increased in numbers, and I trust in strength.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The correspondence of the past year has been much larger than on many previous years, the Letters received and on file, number nearly 170, and will, no doubt, be perused by the Committee with satisfaction.

Copies of my replies to them will be found in the Letter Book of this Grand Lodge.

I would direct the attention of the Committee to Letters numbered 54, 140, 144, from Bros. J. J. McCuaig, Revd. A. Dawson and D. Marshall.

WARRANTS.

I have much pleasure in reporting an increase over the previous year in the issue of Warrants.

The new Warrants are as follows:

- No. 1324, County of Victoria.
- No. 1330, County of Russell.
- No. 1332, County of South Frontenac.
- No. 1337, County of North Frontenac.
- No. 1338, County of Northumberland.
- No. 1341, County of Carleton.

There have also been five Warrants renewed.

- No. 134, County of Carleton.
- No. 162, County of West Durham.
- No. 100, County of South Leeds.
- No. 178, County of Lennox and Addington.
- No. 284, County of Peterboro.

Three Scarlet Dispensations have been issued during the year, one each to Counties of Carleton, South Leeds and Victoria.

DUES AND ARREARS.

The payment of Grand Lodge dues is greater than on many previous years, but many Counties are still in arrears.

My Receipt Book and Cash Book will be placed before the proper Committee.

ANNUAL RETURNS.

I regret that I am again obliged to report the want of punctuality in County Masters, in not making their Annual Returns at the proper time. Unless these returns are made as provided by the Constitution, your Grand Secretary cannot complete his work for the Grand Lodge meeting.

REPORTS, RITUALS, &c.

During the past year I have forwarded to each County Master, in this Jurisdiction for all Lodges two copies each of the Reports of the M. W. G. L. B. A., and of this R. W. G. L., together with Rituals and Constitutions, when required.

Grand Lodge Reports have been forwarded to each Grand Officer, to the Secretaries of the Sister Grand Lodges, and also to distinguished Brothers in Great Britain and Ireland.