

March 18, 1818,"—in silence. Song, by Sir Kt. Steinberg. "The Sovereign Great Priory of Canada;" responses by R. E. Sir Kt. D. B. Burch, and V. E. Sir Kt. John Ferguson. "The District Prior of London;" response by R. E. Sir Kt. Dr. Sutton. "Our Non-Resident Fraters;" responses by Sir Kts. Rev. Albert Anthony, host, and Flynn, of London Township. Song, by Sir Kt. Rev. A. Anthony. "The Knights Templar of the U. S.;" response by Sir Kt. W. R. Vining. Song, by Sir Kt. Simpson. The vice-chair then gave "The Grand Lodge of Canada;" responses by R. W. Bro. Dewar, and W. Bro. James Dunn. Song, by Bro. Lilley. The toast of "The Grand Chapter of Canada," was responded to by R. E. Comps. Hawthorn and Ferguson. "The older members of the Preceptor;" responses by Sir Kts. Borland and Brown. "The Ladies," by Sir Kts. Steinberg and Cooper. "The Press," by representatives of the *Free Press*, and *Advertiser*. Songs, by Sir Kts. Irvine and Cooper. "Our Host and Hostess;" response by Bro. Hawthorn. "Excellent Preceptor;" responded to by E. Sir Kt. J. S. Dewar. The company separated at a seasonable hour.

IN HIS 92ND YEAR.—On Saturday evening last, a number of the relatives and intimate friends of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Huyck assembled at their residence, Church street, the occasion being Mr. Huyck's 91st birthday. Mr. Huyck, who was born near Albany, N. Y., came to Belleville about the beginning of the present century. Within his recollection Belleville has grown from a hamlet to its present dimensions. He attributes the growth of the city greatly to the energy and patriotic efforts of the Hon. Billa Flint, than whom in the city's interests none, perhaps, have been more active. Mr. Huyck took part in the war of 1812, and from time to time since has perform-

ed military duty. In 1819 he was initiated in Moira Lodge, No. 11, G. R. C., (then Belleville Lodge, No. 496, E. R.), of which he has since been an active member. Without doubt Mr. Huyck is the oldest Mason in this Province, if not in the Dominion. He possesses almost unimpaired faculties of body and mind, and is a pleasing conversationalist. After spending a pleasant evening, during which the host related many interesting incidents of his life, the guests took their leave, each expressing the wish that the aged couple might yet enjoy many happy years of life.—*Belleville Intelligencer*.

The craft of Cobourg have sustained a heavy loss in the death of our late highly esteemed friend and brother, James Rixon Barber, Supt. of the C. & M. R. & M. Co. Deceased was well known throughout the Province of Ontario, and was held in the highest esteem by all. He was at all times genial, kind, generous, and charitable, popular with the men under him, of whose interests he was always the champion; while as a business man he was far-seeing, cautious, but enterprising. In the development of the gold and iron mines of Marmorata and Madoc he has been the leading spirit for a great many years, and to his untiring energy is entirely due the measure of success with which they have been worked. Deceased was a loving husband, a kind, indulgent father, a true, warm hearted friend, who will be greatly missed by a very large circle of relations, friends and acquaintances. Brother Barber had been a member of St. John's Lodge, No. 17, for the past thirty years, and was highly regarded by his brethren, who accompanied his remains to the grave in large numbers. The service was read at the grave by W. Bro. W. Buck, W. M., assisted by V. W. Bro. W. H. Floyd, P. M.