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Ill. Bro. A. D. NELSON, the recently elected most wise Sovereign of Hochelaga Chapter of Rose Croix, has not yet got to work, but I anticipate under the new executive, a fresh impulse, and now that each Body has its own separate head the result cannot but be beneficial, as each will be enabled to devote the whole of his energy to the Body over which he holds control.

I regret extremely that owing to the peculiar position occupied by Masonry in this Province, surrounded as it is by a hostile people, I have been unable to carry out the views of the Supreme Council by planting Lodges of Perfection in other places than Montreal.

As, however, there are at last appearances that we are about to emerge from the long period of depression that has damped our energies, I trust not only will the accessions to our ranks be more numerous, but that other cities in the Province will catch our enthusiasm and help us to carry on the good work.

The whole respectfully and fraternally submitted,

WM. H. HUTTON, 33°,

Deputy, Province of Quebec.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY,

HAMILTON, Oct. 8th, 1879.

*To the Sov. Grand Commander and Members of the Supreme Council, 33°,
for the Dominion of Canada.*

ILL. BRETHREN:—

I have much pleasure in submitting a report for the year now ended of the condition of the Rite in the jurisdiction entrusted to my supervision.

The various Bodies in Hamilton, Toronto and London are all in a prosperous and flourishing condition, showing no diminution in work, but on the contrary, an increase in membership and in zeal and earnestness, peace and harmony prevailing among all.

During the past year I have (in accordance with the power entrusted to the Special Deputies at the last session), entered into correspondence with several cities and towns in my Province, and the result has been that now there are parties in several places actively engaged in getting the statutory number together with a view of opening a Lodge of Perfection in each city. I have also been applied to from Manitoba, by a number of the best members of the Craft in that far off Province, praying that a Deputy of this Council be sent there to confer the degrees and open a Lodge of Perfection in the City of Winnipeg (the correspondence in connection therewith I will now read). It will, therefore, lay with this council to decide what action shall be taken to comply with the request, and