

deen's address of welcome to Eminent Commander Burt and the latter's reply to be same. It was a most happy and enjoyable day for Knights Templar in Canada.

Assembled in Great Priory were leading Knights Templar from every Province in the Dominion, gentlemen of prominence in leading business and professional circles. The welcome by Grand Master Whyte and Great Priory to the visitors was cordial in the extreme, and cannot be described by mere words.

The local Knights exerted themselves to the utmost to suitably receive the Great Priory guests, and the members of the different committees worked assiduously towards that end. In addition to many extra attractions, in the interior of the building, a notable one was a large illuminated Passion Cross, hung immediately over the main entrance to the Temple. It was lighted by incandescent electric lamps, and presented a very pretty appearance from seven o'clock until after midnight.

E. Sir Knight Carson and Sir Knight George C. Davis formed a deputation from the local Preceptory to meet the Detroit visitors at St. Thomas, and informed them of the arrangements made, and it is needless to say they became thoroughly acquainted with their guests before they piloted them to the city.

The ladies of the party were not forgotten by the Reception Committee of the London Knights. It had been arranged to convey them to Queen's Park by the "Special" trolley, but owing to the rain, it was deemed inadvisable to carry out that arrangement. Instead, they were invited to a theater party at the Grand Opera House, and enjoyed the evening's entertainment immensely. Sir Knight Davis and the members of his committee left nothing undone to make the ladies feel that it was good to be there.

Dr. W. H. Kessler added fresh laurels to those already in the wreath by his hard work and executive ability

as chairman of the Committee of Arrangements for the visit.

Just before leaving the London headquarters, C. W. Davis, of the Reception Committee, mounted a chair in the lobby of the hotel and made the ladies a complimentary speech. O. F. Hunt being considered the best looking Sir Knight in the party, was pressed into service by the Eminent Commander, and made a graceful reply. At the Governor-General's reception, General Issimo Claude H. Candler assisted in the introduction of the visitors.

Grand Master Whyte in his address at the banquet said, turning to Em. Com. Burt: "Who knows but that Canada may yet annex the State of Michigan? Our armies are big, our hearts are big, and we might take you all in, except your silver dollars, and we want a discount on them."

Grand Master Whyte performed the very pleasant duty of presenting on behalf of the London Preceptory to the Eminent Commander of Detroit No. 1 for his Commandery the Cross of Salem, the Great Prior's jewel, which he hoped would be a means of recalling many times their pilgrimage to London.

"Damascus Commandery" was responded to at the banquet by Judge Van Zile, and in concluding his address presented Past Grand Master Malone, of Toronto, with certificates of honorary membership in Damascus Commandery for himself and Most Eminent Sir Knight E. E. Sheppard, of Toronto." Past Grand Master Malone gratefully acknowledged the gift of Damascus Commandery, and made an extended reply, in which he advocated the greatest degree of friendliness between the two countries, and denounced as claptrap the talk of war indulged in by some.

"Officers and Members of Detroit Commandery No. 1—Its drill and discipline," was royally honored, and brought replies from the Captain-General, James Findlater, the Hon. W. C. Maybury and Past Em. Com-