I have, during my term of office, visited every Lodge within the jurisdiction, with the exception of one, which was at too great a distance, and am happy to state that in all, the vigor of youth is discernible, as indeed it cannot otherwise be—based as our principles are, on the most philanthropic and beneficent designs—numerically and financially the Lodges are every day increasing; the first adding to our interest, the latter to our means of doing good.

It would have been my greatest pleasure to have retained the honorable position of Grand Master for the remainder of the term, but I would not be doing justice to myself or to the Order, if I retained the position any longer, which the law of the land deprives me of enjoying. I cannot, but shall under all circumstances be one with you in heart.

If my assistance is your deeds of Charity will avail anything, I need no other incentive to act, than the knowledge I already possess of your aims and designs, obtained by fifteen years' connection with the Order.

Brethren,—I hope and trust, that in all proper efforts to sustain the principles of your noble Order, a guiding Providence will direct your thoughts and steps.

And now, Brethren, I most affectionately bid you one and all—FARE.

I am, Brethren,

Fraternally yours,

RICH'D WIGMORE, M. W. Grand Master.

P. S.—From and after the 15th inst., all Correspondence to the Grand Master, must be directed to Bro. Henry McAfee, R. W. D. G. Master, Windsor, C. W.

