

toria and the proposed establishment of a Grand Lodge for South Australia. Bro. Negus is one of the most energetic brethren in the antipodes, and we congratulate him upon the magnificent jewel (which, from the description, must be simply gorgeous), with which he has recently been presented.

ROYAL ARCH MASONRY.

Reception to Judge Macpherson, Grand Z. of Canada.

The evening of the 11th inst. being the regular convocation of St. John's Chapter, No. 6, and an emergent convocation of the Hiram Chapter, No. 2, there was a very large gathering of the Royal Arch Masons of the city, the occasion being the visit of the M. Ex. Comp. Henry Macpherson, Grand Z. of the Grand Chapter of Canada. The regular business of St. John's Chapter was gone through with, as also the conferring of one of the subordinate degrees, with all of which the distinguished visitor was highly pleased. After the chapter and lodge were closed, the companions adjourned to the banquet room, where a most *recherche* and tempting supply of the good things of this life awaited the companions, which were supplied by mine host and companion Wm. Noble. The spread reflected the greatest credit upon him.

R. Ex. Comp. Wm. G. Reid, Grand Supt. of Hamilton District, was in the chair, and on his right M. E. Comp. Henry Macpherson, Grand Z. of the Grand Chapter of Canada, the guest of the evening; R. E. Comp. David McLellan, Grand Scribe E., Grand Chapter of Canada; R. E. Comp. J. M. Gibson, E. Comp. John Malloy, and E. Comp. C. W. Mulligan. On the left of the chair were E. Comp. F. F. Dalley, Comp. Hugh Murray, D. G. Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada; R. E. Comp. J. J. Mason,

Grand Secretary Grand Lodge of Canada; R. E. Comp. S. E. Townsend, G. P. Soj. Grand Chapter of Canada; R. E. Comp. Wm. Carey, P. G. Supt.; R. E. Comp. Wm. Reid, and E. Comps. Wm. Goering, C. H. Foster, J. A. Malcolm and B. J. Morgan.

After disposing of the viands set before them, the chairman stated that it was not the intention of going through any lengthened list of toasts, but he would content himself with proposing two or three toasts and call upon several of the companions to favor the assembly with songs. The first song was "The Warrior Bold," sung by Comp. W. C. Morton. After this the chairman proposed the toast, "The Queen and the Craft," and then the following songs were sung: "God save the Queen," "The Learned Man," by Comp. Dr. Anderson; "Mavourneen," by Comp. John Clayton; "My Pretty Jane," by E. Comp. C. W. Mulligan. The chairman then proposed the toast of the evening, viz., "The Grand Z. of the Grand Chapter of Canada," and in submitting it he spoke warmly in praise of the present incumbent of the position, Judge Macpherson, of Owen Sound, who not only held such a high position in the Grand Chapter, but was a most efficient and hard working member of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The toast was drunk with all the honors.

M. E. Comp. Macpherson, responding, thanked the companions most heartily for the warm manner in which he had been received, for when he intimated to the Grand Scribe E. that he would likely visit Hamilton this week if any chapter would meet, he did not expect to be met and received by two chapters, viz., the Hiram, No. 2, and St. John's, No. 6. It being the regular meeting of St. John's, he purposed to visit that chapter in a friendly way, not to inspect the work, although what he had seen that night, as usual with all that