

ORGANIZATION.

In compliance with the resolution of this Grand Lodge, passed as our last meeting, your Committee, composed of R.W. Bros. Clarke, Leet and myself, met a committee of the Orange Mutual Executive on the 15th August last, in the Grand Secretary's office in Toronto, and arranged that the Orange Mutual Executive should engage organizers to work throughout this jurisdiction, this Grand Lodge to pay for work done, as follows : For each new member brought into a Primary Lodge, 50c., and for each new lodge instituted, with not less than fifteen members, \$25.00. These sums were to be paid out by our Grand Treasurer after proper proofs from the Primary lodges and the Orange Mutual Executive. Just what the results have been I am unable to state, owing to the absence of a report from the Executive of the Orange Mutual. I may state, however, that the arrangement has not proved as satisfactory as desired, and on the 31st of January last another meeting of the joint committee was held, and a new arrangement entered into, which it is considered will result more satisfactorily. By the new arrangement W. Bro. Thos. A. Duff, W.M. of Ionic L.O.L. 1693, Toronto, was engaged at a salary of \$100.00 per month, to be borne equally by the Orange Mutual and this R.W. Grand Lodge, your Committee retaining the right to direct the work and to terminate the engagement at pleasure. I have every reason to believe that Bro. Duff will exert himself faithfully in the work, and that good results may be looked for. Should this R.W. Grand Lodge approve of the last arrangement, the work will be continued so long as your committee deem it in the interests of the Association.

OUR FRATERNAL DEAD.

We are again called upon to chronicle the death of a number of our brethren who have been called during the past year to meet their final reward. Notable among those who were called away was our esteemed R.W. Past Grand Master, Major Bennett. By his kind geniality he endeared himself to his brethren. His life was wrapped up in Orangeism, and his motto was :

"Stand by your brother's side, man,
And bid him clasp your hand ;
To him be just and yield him trust
That you from him demand.
Be simply wise with soul and eyes,
To trust and still be true—
Doing to those we love, man,
What we would have them do."

The year has been marked with peace in relation to anything sectarian, save two incidents, which I deem it my duty to refer to. The first is the presence of Monsignor Falconio, the Papal Alegate, who, it appears, is present with us at the request of some members of the Government of Canada, if not, indeed, the Government. His presence in Canada marks the subjection of Governments and political parties to