

cent solid silver trowel of full size, and remarked that he presented him the trowel with a great deal of pleasure, on behalf of the Building Committee of the new church, and trusted that he would be long spared in his Masonic usefulness.

The Acting Grand Master expressed his sincere thanks for the beautiful gift, and remarked that he knew that nothing but a kindly and fraternal feeling dictated its presentation, and assured the Rev. gentleman that he would ever retain it as an honored memento of the day's proceedings.

The inscription on the trowel was as follows:—

Presented to

R. W. Bro. T. K. Ross, M. D., D.D.G.M. P. Ed. D.,

A. F. & A. Masons of Canada,

By the Brethren of the M. E. Congregation,

on the occasion of laying the Corner

Stone of their New Church,

near Floating Bridge,

June 22nd, 1880.

The Acting Grand Master having spread the mortar, the stone was lowered, with three halts. When placed in its proper position, the Deputy Grand Master and Wardens tested the stone with the Square, Level, and Plumb, and the Grand Master pronounced it well made, and truly laid. Corn, wine and oil were poured upon it with symbolio explanation, and the Acting Grand Master entrusted to the architect and builder the tools with which to complete the building.

The Grand honors were given, and the procession re-formed, and marched to the extemporized lodge room.

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