

WE learn that a most interesting event has recently taken place in the family of our M. W. Grand Master—an addition to the circle, not in the course of nature, but in the course of true love, which, in this instance, has evidently run smooth, since it has terminated in uniting together in the bonds of matrimony a fair daughter of Bro. Henderson and the man of her choice, Lieut. Drury of A. Battery, Canadian Artillery. This little affair came off on the 20th inst., and the ceremony was performed in St. George's Cathedral, Kingston, and was witnessed by a large assembly of people. The usual *dejeuner* afterwards took place at the residence of our M. W. Brother, at which a large number of invited guests were present. The usual toasts were proposed, and the happy couple departed on their wedding tour amid the loving and hearty wishes of their relatives and friends—and a shower of old shoes. If we had been there we would also have cast our old shoe—mentally we do so, and wish the young couple a long and happy life. A pleasing incident happened while the wedding party were assembled at the house, the disclosure that the same day was the tenth anniversary of the marriage of Bro. Henderson's eldest daughter, whose husband is the D.D.G.M. of the St. Lawrence District, Bro. R. T. Walkem; and much amusement was caused by the various assortment of *tinware* which was presented to them by their numerous friends.

R. W. Bro. Judge Badgley, Montreal.

One of the oldest, (if not the oldest) and most esteemed Masons in the Province of Quebec is R. W. Bro. Judge Badgley, Past Provincial Grand Master, who has been a Mason for fifty-six years.

In honor of the fiftieth anniversary of his first election to the Master's chair in St. Paul's Lodge, Montreal, which happened on the 28th ult., the Freemasons of that city tendered to

R. W. Bro. Badgley a banquet, which took place in the St. Lawrence Hall, and was attended by a large number of brethren. The chair was occupied by R. W. Bro. Hutton, who, after the usual loyal toasts had been proposed and duly honored, proposed the toast of the evening, "Our Guest," and in the course of his remarks, which were most kind and energetic, he stated that R. W. Bro. Badgley first saw the light of Masonry on the 10th February, 1824, years before most of us had seen the light of day. He has consequently been fifty-six years a Mason—and during the whole of that long period an active and zealous craftsman of the Royal Art. For thirty-four years he was a subscribing member of St. Paul's Lodge, and in 1858 the Lodge, recognizing his eminent services, made him an honorary member with all rights and privileges. Between the years 1829 and 1844 he was nine times Master of St. Paul's Lodge, and the year 1880 is the 50th anniversary of his exaltation to the chair of King Solomon, and I only give expression to the opinion of every one of his Masonic subjects when I say that he has proved a worthy successor to that great and wise king. On St. John's Day, 1842, is dated his patent as Provincial and District Grand Master, and from that date to the present time, a period of thirty-eight years, he has governed the craft with such zeal and wisdom as are rarely united in one individual. Whilst occupying his exalted position, Masonry in Canada has undergone many changes, but throughout them all R. W. Bro. Badgley has maintained a loyal and unswerving allegiance to the dear old Grand Lodge of England, the mother of all modern Masonry, and if we, brethren, are permitted to assemble to-night round this board as English Masons, we owe it entirely to the steady perseverance with which he has encouraged and upheld that connection. I see around me many prominent Masons of other jurisdictions, and have no