

tine, Royal Order of Scotland, Rosicrucian, Secret Monitor, A. & A. Scottish Rite, Ancient and Primitive Rite and Swedenborgian, from England, Scotland, Ireland, Canada, New Brunswick, United States, Greece, and Holland. The collection, when complete, will certainly be valuable as well as interesting. Grand Masters, etc., of other Canadian jurisdictions would aid Bro. Crowe in his labors if they would forward certificates and seals of their respective bodies, along with their autographs.

The United Grand Lodge of England, at its last quarterly communication in March, granted warrants to twelve lodges, two of them being located in Victoria, one in Tasmania, one in Western Australia, one in Madras, one in South Africa, and two in New Zealand.

At the Quarterly Communication of the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Scotland, held recently, Comp. Col. A. C. Campbell, Bart., was elected 1st G. Principal; Comp. Sir Michael R. Shaw-Stewart, Bart., being Past 1st G. Principal. A charter was granted to a new Chapter at Colac, Victoria, to be called Mackersy.

The Grand Lodge of All Scottish Freemasonry in India recently sustained a great loss by the death of Bro. J. Y. Lang, Deputy G.M. of Grand Lodge. Sir Henry Morland, M. W. G. M. of the Scottish Lodges in India, has ordered them to drape their charters in mourning in honour and in memory of the deceased.

Grand Master Walkem visited the Hamilton brethren on the 29th ult.,

and the London brethren on the 2nd inst. As these visitations are occurring just as we are getting ready for the press, further reference must be delayed. We understand that our Grand Master intends leaving for Europe as soon as he has completed his round of official visits.

We are indebted to Mr. George Verry, secretary of the Lodge of Antiquity, Q. R., Montreal, for the "Mason's Lord's Prayer," which is printed elsewhere. Bro. Verry, in his letter accompanying the copy, says, "it is very old, and I thought perhaps it might be suitable for your magazine." The document sent shows signs of age. We thank Bro. V. for his thoughtfulness.

The question is often asked why Craft Masonry is frequently called Blue Masonry, or a Blue Lodge. Originally blue was adopted as the appropriate color for the degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry. Mackey says that "it is to the Mason a symbol of universal friendship and benevolence, because, as it is the color of the vault of heaven, which embraces and covers the whole globe, we are reminded that in the breast of every brother these virtues should be equally as extensive."

Bro. Rev. W. G. Howson, of Bracebridge, contributes a paper on how to increase interest in Masonry, which appears elsewhere. The Rev. Bro. makes some excellent suggestions, especially the one relating to a question drawer, which could not only be made instructive, but amusing. Bro. Howson is prepared to deliver his lecture on "The History and Mystery of Freemasonry,"