

authority than that of this Grand Lodge, such bodies have not come officially before my notice, and they must be too insignificant in numbers and influence to merit our attention.

This Grand Lodge has now done all that its duty to the craft at large can require in its endeavours to extend to every Mason in this jurisdiction the advantages and privileges of membership with the Grand Lodge of Quebec, and if any Brethren have failed to avail themselves of this privilege, so freely extended, they must take the responsibility of their action.

OUR DEPARTED BRETHREN.

As years roll on, those of our Brethren who have been constant attendants at our annual communications for the past twenty-two years, meet every recurring session with mingled feelings of joy and sorrow. "Happy to meet again," but sorry to see that, one by one, the old familiar faces pass away and are seen no more. Our venerable Brother and associate in the work of this Grand Lodge since its formation, R. W. Bro. Timothy Leet, D.D.G.M., has passed away into rest, borne to his grave by the Brethren of Doric Lodge, by whom he was so much loved and esteemed. There have also gone before us : W. Bro. H. D. Moore, Nelson Lodge, No. 9 ; W. Bro. Hy. Earle, St. George Lodge, No. 10 ; W. Bro. Joseph Martin, Mount Moriah, No. 38, and others of our Brethren. In Foreign jurisdictions, and known to us by their writings and the distinguished positions they held : Ira Berry, G. Sec. of Maine ; Albert Pike, of Washington, D. C., and many others. "They rest from their labors ; may it be in blessed peace."

FOREIGN RELATIONS.

Our relations with the other Grand Lodges, sixty-seven in number, in Europe, America and Australasia, continue to be of the most cordial and satisfactory nature, and I am informed by the Grand Secretary that applications for recognition and fraternal intercourse have been received at his office, from Grand Lodges recently established at New Zealand, Mexico and Cuba, which he has remitted to the Committee on Jurisprudence. You will have an opportunity to decide on these applications at this Communication.