## OUR NEW BRUNSWICK CORRESPONDENCE.

St. John. N. B., July 8.

There is nothing to report to you from this jurisdiction, except the general prosperity and harmony of the bodies. Our Grand Master, with the Mayor of this city, Bro. T. M. Reed, visited the Grand Lodge of New York at its late session, and participated at the laying of the corner stone. Past Grand Master Clinch visited the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia at its late session, but he was not present at the report on the Canadian question. I see that the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia has recognised the Quebec organization. I could send you an explanation of this that would surprise you, but it is not well to deal in personal matters.

I understand that intelligence was received from England by a recent mail, that our townsman, R W Bro Robert Marshall, has been elected a member of the Supreme Council of the 33rd degree of the Ancient and Accepted Rite for England and Wales.

It is said that the number holding this high and important position in Freemasonry in England, is confined to a limited number, and I believe that Brother Marshall is the first and only one in New Brunswick who has been honored with or elevated to this rank.

Please ask your printers to be careful, and not mix up the pages of my manuscript, as they did last month. The names of Frater W. H. Keans, and of Comp. George H. Keans were mis-spelled "Reans."

We copy the following from the Halifax Citizen's report of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia:

M. W. Brother Sircom, in the name of Brother Ira Cornwall, jr., general agent for the Craftsman, presented the Grand Lodge with a very handsome photograph of the officers and members of the Grand Lodge of Canada, which was most enthusiastically received, and a unanimous vote of thanks tendered the Brother for his very valuable present. It is a very handsome specimen of photography, and contains 222 likenesses. The most prominent is Most Worshipful Grand Master Stevenson, who is well known to the Fraternity in this province, from his association with them on the 24th June, 1869.

A Council of Royal Select Masters has been formed in this city, 27th June, 1870, by R. P. Comp. J. Conway Brown, 18°, Insp. Gen. for Nova Scotia, under authority of the M. P. Gr. Council, R. and S. M., of New Brunswick. This Council is to be named "Chebucto." and the three first named in the warrant are M. E. Comp. S. R. Sircom, as T. I. Master, R. E. Comp. George T. Smithers as R. I. M., and R. E. Comp. James Gossip as I.M., with nine others as members.

. Matrimonial.—We notice a very interesting description in the Halifax papers of the marriage of one of the daughters of the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Nova Scotia, Hon. Alex. Keith, M. L. C. The fortunate man being Dr. Wickwine, and that the R. W. Grand Chaplain of the New Brunswick Grand Lodge, the Rev. Dr. Donald, assisted in performing the ceremony. We wish the happy couple a long life and a merry one.

## ROYAL STANDARD LODGE, No. 398, R. E., HALIFAX, N. S.

The members of the Lodge celebrated the anniversary of St. John's day, by a pic-nic at McNab's Island. The steamer *Mic-Mac* which was hired for the occasion, started from the 'wharf about eleven o'clock, with the party on board, which was a large one, numbering about 200, and proceeded to the Island, after taking a turn up the har-