

intelligent and thoughtful Masonry, where the general aim and ambition are directed to the practice and cultivation of the true spirit of Masonry, rather than the increase of membership or the titles of office, the planting and growth of the A. & A. S. Rite may not be entirely spontaneous, but when once it does take root its permanence may be relied on, and the results are likely to be in the highest sense fruitful and enduring."

The thirty-third degree was conferred on the following brethren: -J. F. Walker and A. W. Hooper, Montreal; E. I. Foster, Halifax; Gavin Stewart and Edward Mitchell, Hamilton, and Thomas Sargent, Toronto.

The Secretary-General devotes several pages to Scottish Rite affairs in other jurisdictions, the difficulties of translating reports from Mexico, Spain, Italy, Germany, Brazil, etc., not deterring him from attempting the task, the names and titles of officers, names of subordinate bodies, with their officers and members, and a dozen memorial pages complete the volume, which is neatly printed, care having been taken to use excellent paper.

The annual meeting of the London Lodge of Perfection, 14°, A. & A. S. Rite, was held in the rooms, Masonic Temple, on 7th inst., Ill. Bro. A. W. Porte, 32°, presiding. The election of officers resulted as follows:—P. Pr. A. O. Jeffery, 18°, T. P. G. M.; P. Pr. J. D. Sharman, 18°, P. T. P. G. M.; P. Pr. J. Callard, 18°, Ex-S. G. W.; P. Pr. H. C. Simpson, 18°, Ex-J. G. W.; P. Pr. J. S. Dewar, 18°, G. Sec.; Ill. Bro. A. W. Porte, 32°, G. T. Basorre.; J. Siddons, 14°, G. Orator; P. Pr. F. W. Lilley, 18°, G. Almoner; Bro. A. E. Cooper, 14°, G. M. of C.; P. Pr. Alex. Irvine, 18°, R. Expert; Bro. T. Brock, 14°, R. Asst.-Expert; Ill. Bro. A. G. Smyth, 30°, Val.-C. of H.; Bro. W. J. Johnson, 14°, Bro. J. Conn., 14°, P. Pr. J. C. Hegler, 18°, G. Stewards; P. Pr. F. J. Hood, 18°, G. Tyler.

Winnipeg Lodge of Perfection, fourteenth degree of the Ancient and Ac-

cepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, under the Supreme Council of the Dominion of Canada, held their annual meeting for the election of officers the other evening. A large increase was made to the membership of this body of the high degrees during the past year. It is probable that a reunion of the Manitoba members of the Rite, including all holding rank between the fourth and thirty-second degrees, will be held in Winnipeg this summer, when several Thirty-thrds of the Supreme Council will be present.

Bro. Albert Pike, the Supreme Commander of the Scottish Rite, of Washington, is again to the fore with a scheme which will be a benefit to the widows, wives, mothers and daughters of Masons of the United States and Canada in the shape of a certificate which will be a protection to them while travelling. It is thus alluded to in a recent circular:—"I have long thought that instead of the side-degrees, (not known to one Mason in five hundred) which are sometimes given to the wives and daughters, mothers and sisters of Masons, the Grand Lodge ought to grant them certificates of their relationship to Masons in good standing, whereby they could always and anywhere make themselves known to Masons, with indisputable proof of such relationship. With such a certificate from our Supreme Council, even a young girl can travel safely and in comfort anywhere in the United States; and wherever the Scottish Rite exists in the world, such a certificate from us will ensure the holder protection and assistance, being a safeguard, passport, and letter of credence everywhere. Convinced that it is the right of the wife or widow, mother, sister or daughter of every Mason of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite in our jurisdiction to have the means of, at any time during her life, proving herself to be so related and thereby entitled to defence against wrong, protection against insult, and when in danger, relief and assistance in case of need, I have prepared such a certificate, and it has been photo-lithographed and copies