

The Most Worshipful the Grand Master, W. H. Weller, Esq., R. W. Bro. J. J. Mason, Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. E. Peplow, D. D. G. M. of Ontario District, and a number of brethren, arrived on the morning train from the west, and were met by quite a gathering of the brethren of Brighton and neighborhood at the station, together with the Cobourg Cavalry Band, which was engaged for the occasion. The visiting brethren were escorted up to the Lodge room, headed by the band, where they dispersed for a while, the visitors to see the sights, and the home brethren to prepare for the work before them.

At one o'clock, all assembled together, and made their way to the site of the new building, where a most sumptuous dinner was spread. After ample justice had been done to the good things thus prepared, the brethren once more scattered, putting in the time as best they could until the hour of the ceremony.

At half-past two, all met in the Town Hall, Prince Edward Street, where Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form, with the following Grand Officers present:—

M. W. Bro. W. H. Weller, G. M.; R. W. Bro. E. Peplow, as D. D. G. M.; R. W. Bro. Jas. Smith, as G. S. W.; R. W. Bro. J. B. Hall, as G. J. W.; Bro. Rev. Amos Campbell, as G. Chap.; W. Bro. I. B. Thayer, W. M. of United Lodge, No. 29, as G. Treas.; V. W. Bro. A. E. Fife, P. M., as G. Reg.; R. W. Bro. J. J. Mason, Grand Sec.; V. W. Bro. C. R. Ford, P. M., as G. S. D.; V. W. Bro. D. MacNaughton, W. M. Durham Lodge, No. 66, Newcastle, as G. J. D.; W. Bro. Philip Taylor, W. M. Cedar Lodge, No. 270, Oshawa, as G. S. of W.; W. Bro. J. J. Campbell, W. M., Excelsior Lodge, No. 335, Colborne, as G. D. of C.; W. Bro. J. O. Proctor, P. M., as Ass. G. D. of C.; W. Bro. I. M. Wellington, P. M., as Ass. G. S.; W. Bro. R. Barker, P. M., as G. S. B.; W. Bro. W. H. Floyd, P. M., St.

John's Lodge, No. 17, Cobourg, as G. Organist; W. Bro. T. Crossen, P. M., Ontario Lodge, No. 26, Port Hope, as Asst. Grand Organist; W. Bro. A. R. Macdonald, P. M. Consecration Lodge, No. 50, Grand Pursuivant. *Grand Stewards:* W. Bro. R. P. Hurlbut, P. M., 161; W. Bro. Jas. Chisholm, P. M., 44, Wisconsin; Bro. Jos. Clouston, S. W., 29; Bro. Joel Webster, J. W., 29; Bro. W. Wagstaff, S. W., 66; Bro. W. Gross, J. W., 66; Bro. W. Coxall, J. W., 91; Bro. J. Gilbard, P. J. W., 17; Bro. J. B. Chapin, P. S. W., 29; Bro. S. Buckley, P. S. W., 29; Bro. D. Bullock, P. S. W., 29; Bro. J. E. Lockward, P. J. W., 29; together with a large number of brethren from Brighton, Colborne, Cobourg, Port Hope, Newcastle, and other places.

A procession was then formed in the proper order, and marched to the site of the new building, which is situated on Main Street, and but a short distance from the business portion of the flourishing little village. While the procession was marching, a drizzling rain began to fall, and as soon as the Grand Officers had assembled around the stone, and the brethren formed in a circle outside, the rain increased until it fell in perfect torrents.

Before proceeding to work, the Most Worshipful the Grand Master delivered the following address:—

Men and brethren here assembled, be it known unto you, that we be lawful Masons, true and faithful to the laws of our country, and established of old with peace and honor in most countries, to do good to our brethren and fellow men, to assist in the erection of buildings, and to fear God the Great Architect of the Universe. We have among us concealed from the eyes of all men, secrets, which have never been found out; but these secrets are honorable, and not repugnant to the law of God or man. They were entrusted in peace and honor to the Free Masons of ancient times, and having been faithfully