

EDITORIAL NOTES.

ROBERT BURNS was "exalted" by the chapter at Eyemouth, Scotland.

BRITISH COLUMBIA has nine lodges and 300 Masons.

THE Grand Orient of Spain has under its jurisdiction 297 lodges.

THE Masonic veterans of Connecticut held their annual reunion at Norwich, June 25.

THERE are 612 commanderies in the United States, with a membership of 70,000.

THERE has been a gain of 4,880 R. A. Masons in the United States during the past year.

THE Sovereign Sanctuary meets the last Monday of January, in Montreal. A large number of representatives are expected.

BRO. ROBERT RAMSAY has received his commission as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Victoria, near the Grand Lodge of Canada.

THE Northern Supreme Council held its annual session at Detroit, Sept. 23. Forty active, three Emeritii, and one hundred honorary members were present. The next session will be at Boston, Sept., 1885.

THORNE LODGE, No. 281, G. R. C., ORILLIA.—The following brethren were installed recently:—Rt. Wor. Bro. Robert Ramsay, W. M. (re-elected); Bros. J. L. Tipping, S. W.; J. W. Blair, J. W.; T. B. Newton, Treas.; J. B. Tudhope, Sec.; Thos. Phillips, S. D.; Wm. Sherman, J. D.; W. O. Black, I. G.; R. Strathren, Organist; D. Myers, D. of C.; L. McDonald and W. McWhinnie, Stewards; D. McNabb, Tyler. This lodge during the past year has had thirty-six meetings, and initiated over thirty candidates.

R. W. Bro. Robert Ashton, D.D.G. M., officially visited St. John's Lodge, No. 68, Ingersoll, on the evening of the 14th inst. At the close of the meeting the R. W. Bro. was entertained at a complimentary supper.

WE regret to learn that our friend and cotemporary, Bro. S. W. E. Beckner, is very low with pleuro-pneumonia. Bro. Beckner, through the *Corner Stone*, has never been afraid to express his views, and although at times he gets "slightly off the handle," we should miss him greatly if we did not weekly read his thunderbolts against wrong doing and bigotry. We sincerely trust he may be spared for many a happy Christmas, which we here extend to him, his better half and the little corner stones.

JERUSALEM LODGE, Bowmanville, was visited last month by Dr. Turner, of Millbrook, D.D.G.M. Ontario District, and also by several brethren from neighboring lodges. At the conclusion of lodge work, the visitors were entertained at supper in the Ruebottom House, where a capital spread—on temperance principles—had been prepared for the occasion. A couple of hours were pleasantly spent—Bro. W. McKay, W. M., presiding; and Bro. F. F. McArthur, P. M., in the vice-chair. The usual Masonic toasts were duly honored, and called forth some entertaining speeches. "The Queen and the Craft," and "The Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada," were responded to by R. W. Bro. Turner, V. W. Bro. McCaw, and R. W. Bro. Odell. "Our Visiting Brethren," replied to by W. Bros. W. T. Lockhart, Dr. Rutherford, and D. Allin. The vice-chairman proposed "The Town Council," which brought responses from Mayor Loscombe, and Deputy-Reeve Piggott. After honoring "The Ladies," and "Host and Hostess," a happy meeting was terminated by the Junior Warden's toast.