

as the lodge is to be re-opened on the 16th of Nov., and as we expect to be present, we will leave minor details until then. The lodge is in a most prosperous condition. W. Bro. Payne has his lodge well in hand, and being an indefatigable worker, all are correct in their work. In our next we will give more particulars of this lodge, and we would advise any brethren who have an inclination to have fresco work in their lodges, to send a committee to inspect this one.

We have a number of other lodges to write about, but as these notes are more lengthy than we expected, we will close at present.

Ottawa Items.

During the past month, there has not been much of interest among the fraternity here. The Burial Plot Committee have, however, worked hard, and have purchased the lot selected in Beechwood, consisting of 1000 square feet, for which \$350 has been paid. The transfer deed will contain the following names as trustees for the Masons of Ottawa and Hull: R. W. Bro. Wm. Kerr, Doric Lodge; Bro. G. B. Greene, Dalhousie; W. Bro. John Walsh, Civil Service; W. Bro. Butterworth, Builder; Bro. W. C. Teague, Fidelity; Bro. H. J. Bronskill, Chaudiere; Bro. C. D. Chitty, Eddy Lodge, Hull. Arrangements have also been made to have the plot sodded and the foundation for a monument laid, at once, and thus have the ground ready for any emergency. Towards this satisfactory result, Dalhousie Lodge contributed the handsome sum of \$200 from its funds, and Doric \$50. After the 1st January next, it has been determined to manage the plot by a committee consisting of a representative from each Lodge. There is ample room for continuing efforts, as it is intended to place an iron railing around the lot and a monument in the centre thereof. It is hoped that this will be an incentive to other cities to do likewise.

Two of our Brethren, both highly esteemed, have been called to the Grand Lodge above, viz., James McCracken, of Dalhousie Lodge, who was interred with Masonic honors on 22nd Sept., W. Bro. N. W. MacLean, W. M. of Civil Service Lodge, officiating at the grave. The other Brother is John Mercer, of Chaudiere Lodge.

The Brethren of Chaudiere Lodge finding it inconvenient to meet longer at the Masonic Hall, leased a Hall at the Chaudiere, which they have fitted up very nicely, and which was recently dedicated by R. W. Bro. Wm. Kerr, D. D. G. M., with the usual impressive ceremonies.

Canadian Masonic News.

There is some talk in Woodstock of the fraternity erecting a Masonic Hall. We hope that practical results may follow.

We are short of the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Quebec for the years 1870 and 1871. Any brother having a copy to spare will confer a very great favor on the editor of THE CRAFTSMAN by sending them to this office.

We are gratified to learn that official intimation has been received of the cordial and fraternal recognition of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Quebec by the Grand Chapters of the States of Massachusetts and Connecticut.

We shall deem it a special favor conferred on our readers as well as ourselves, to receive items of Masonic news. Brethren, we give you a general invitation, everybody reads the CRAFTSMAN—workmen in the quarries as well as the *chrones*.

CORINTHIAN LODGE, No. 62, Q. R., Montreal, was consecrated with appropriate ceremonies on the 7th instant, M. W. Bro. Melbourne M. Tait, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, presiding. We hope to be able to furnish our readers with a full report of the proceedings in our next issue.

Ashlar Lodge, 287, G. R. C., Yorkville, have made arrangements for a ten years' lease of the upper storey of a new brick building now being erected on Yonge Street, which will contain a large hall and other rooms necessary for the transaction of Masonic business. The building is to cost about \$5,000, and will be ready for occupation in February.

Officers of Tecumseh Lodge, No. 245, held at Thamesville, and installed by W. Bro. T. C. McNabb, for 1877:—I. P. M., W. Bro. Jas. Ferguson; W. M., W. Bro. John A. Langford; S. W., Bro. Fred Fysh; J. W., Bro. Thomas Levigg; Treasurer, Bro. Fred J. Lawrence; Secretary, Bro. Samuel A. Tye; Chaplain, Bro. Rev. W. Kerr; S. D., Bro. David Fysh; J. D., Bro. George Sherman; I. G., Bro. John Winter; Tyler, Bro. Henry Buller; D. of C., Bro. John A. Hardy.

The funeral of the late John S. Fuller, who died at his residence in Huntingdon, on Thursday, October 25th, took place on Sunday, and was one of the largest ever seen in the county of Hastings. Over 135 carriages were in the procession. Deceased was a member of Tweed Lodge, A. F. & A. M., and was interred with Masonic honors. Large numbers of the Brethren from Madoc, Stirling, and Roslin were present. The ceremonies were conducted by W. Bro. Gilbert, of Tweed, assisted by W. Bro. Dr. Loomis, of Madoc, and the sermon was preached by Rev. Bro. Kilgour. Bro. Fuller was 49 years of age.