

To the Right Worshipful Past Master Brother J. M. Taylor:

BROTHER,—In the name and on behalf of the members of St. Andrew's Lodge, it affords me very much pleasure to present you with this Jewel as a token of their brotherly love and esteem. During the many years you have acted as Tyler, we have always found you a faithful sentinel, ever cheerful, obliging and courteous; and though your patience has been often severely tried by late hours and otherwise, yet we have never heard you murmur or complain.

We have always found you ever ready to extend a helping hand in aid of anything that would tend to advance the interests of the Craft, no matter how onerous the duty imposed upon you may have been.

During our intercourse with you as a mason we have ever found that you have always lived up to those truly masonic principles which you so admirably inculcate, not by words only but by example.

We trust you may be long spared to wear this emblem of our esteem and be assured that the warm brotherly love which is felt for you in St. Andrew's Lodge will not soon abate.

In the name of St. Andrew's Lodge I invest you with this Jewel of a Past Master. May you long live to wear it, and when called from earth to heaven, may you find beneath the "clouded canopy" a Jewel more rich, more lasting, in the approval of the Grand Master of Heaven and Earth.

To this Bro. Taylor suitably responded.

After several speeches had been made by brethren present, the Lodge closed, all present expressing themselves highly gratified with the evening's work.

Hon. A. Keith, Grand Master, honored the occasion with his presence, and about 80 master masons were present.

The Masonic Jewel is a fine piece of workmanship, and the inscription on the back reads as follows: "Presented to Past Master Brother J. M. Taylor, by the members of St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 1, R. N. S., in appreciation of his uniform kindness and attention as Tyler, and his many good qualities as a Mason."

FESTIVAL DAY OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

St. John's Lodge, No. 3 Kingston.—The installation ceremony was performed by R. W. Bro. John Kerr; D. D. G. M., St. Lawrence District, to whom, as also to R. W. Bro. Geo. E. Wilkinson, the lodge is largely indebted for the efficient services rendered by them during the past few years. The list of officers is as follows:

W. Bro. R. M. Horsey, W. M.; R. W. Bro. John Kerr, P. M.; Bro. W. P. Phillips, S. W.; Bro. John Mudie, J. W.; Revd. P. S. Livingston, Chap.; Bro. E. R. Welch, Treas.; V. W. Bro. John M. Horsey, Sec'y; Bro. Geo. Anderson, S. D.; Bro. John Kughorn, J. D.; Bro. S. T. Drennan, D. of C.; Bro. G. W. Andrews, Organist; Bros. W. A. Gunn and Jas. F. Leslie, Stewards; Bro. Wm. Massie, Jr., I. G.; Bro. Edward Ball, Tyler.

At the close of the installation ceremonies, the Lodge was called off from labor to meet again at 7:30 P. M., when the brethren once more assembling, pursuant to their ancient custom of dining together as masons on St. John's Day, proceeded for that purpose to the British American Hotel, where ample justice was done to the "Good Cheer" provided for the occasion by "mine host" Bro. H. E. Swales. On the removal of the cloth, the usual loyal and masonic toasts beginning with the time honored one, "The Queen and the Craft," were given in their customary order by the chairman, and were followed by various voluntary toasts from the brethren present; interspersed with song and sentiment characteristic with that fraternal feeling which has always existed in St. John's Lodge. For, although as we look around the festive board, at these our annual gatherings, we are oftentimes vividly reminded (as one by one we miss from their accustomed places our more aged brethren) of the abrupt severance of our masonic chain of brotherhood by the hand of death; and the loss of many of the brightest links which connect us with the past and bind us together in the present so firmly as a Lodge. And especially at this time, by the absence of our venerable Past Master, R. W. Bro. S. D. Fowler, now at rest, whose remarkable skill in masonic jurisprudence, and versatile knowledge of every subject connected with our