

DISTRICT LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

TORONTO.

In accordance with a circular notice to the Lodges of the Toronto District, a District Lodge of Instruction was held in the Masonic Hall, Toronto, commencing on Wednesday, the 7th of February, and continued in session until Thursday afternoon. The object of this assemblage of the Craft was more particularly for the purpose of exemplifying the authorized manner of working the First, Second and Third Degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry, as recognized by the Grand Lodge of Canada.

An evidence of the great interest felt in this matter by the Masters and Wardens of Lodges, may be gathered from the very large attendance during the sitting of the Lodge, over 230 Brethren having taken part and been witnesses of the various ceremonies.

R. W. Bro. J. K. Kerr, the D. D. G. M. for the Toronto District, presided over the meeting in a very efficient manner, and too much praise cannot be accorded to him for the able and satisfactory manner in which he disposed of all questions of importance which were submitted for decision.

A very gratifying feature connected with this Lodge of Instruction, was the presence of so many Grand and Past Grand Officers of the Grand Lodge, which we think, without tending to detract from the grand object before the Brethren, added a little eclat to the whole affair. During the sittings of the Lodge of Instruction, we noticed M. W. Bro. James Seymour, Grand Master, R. W. Bro. Thomas White, Jr., Deputy Grand Master; R. W. Bros. Allan McLean, Grand Senior, Warden; R. P. Stephens, Grand Junior Warden; and Thos. B. Harris, Grand Secretary; R. W. Bros. P. J. Brown, D. D. G. M., Isaac P. Willson, P. D. D. G. M., R. W. Willson, D. D. G. M., J. F. Toms, D. D. G. M., A. B. Petrie, D. D. G. M., J. Wright, D. D. G. M., E. C. Barber, D. D. G. M., W. H. Weller, P. D. D. G. M., Otto Klotz, P. D. D. G. M., Henry Macpherson, P. G. S. W., A. S. Kirkpatrick, P. G. S. W., Rev. Vincent Clementi, P. Grand Chaplain, John E. Brooke, P. D. D. G. M., Henry Robertson, P. G. J. W., D. Spry, P. G. Reg., Rev. Stuart Patterson, P. D. D. G. M. of Manitoba, S. B. Harman P. D. D. G. M., V. W. Bros. James Bain, J. Nettleton, W. Bro. J. Henderson, Manitoba, &c.

To the R. W. Bro. R. P. Stephens, G. J. Warden, W. Bros. Blackwood N. Gordon Bigelow, Skeele, Stark, &c., are due the thanks of the Brethren, for the great assistance they afforded, in elucidating in a very accurate manner the following work:

- 1st. The proper mode of examining a visitor.
- 2nd. The examination of a Candidate in all his Degrees, preparatory to his advancement.
- 3rd. The correct working of the First, Second and Third Degrees.