

To Woodstock, to confer ranks on two person, one maimed and the other over 50 years.

To Inglewood, to hold regular meeting on 1st Monday during months of June, July and August.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

Owing to the great distance of some of our lodges, and the expense of travel which would be necessarily incurred, I felt it my duty to forego the pleasure of visiting some. It would be a pleasant task to report to this body the many and varied acts of kindness heaped upon me by the individual members of each lodge visited, but to detail a single visit and suitably describe the banquets, mountain turnovers, beautiful drives, ice boat sails, etc., would require an enumeration of nearly all.

I must rest content, therefore, with the single statement that everywhere I found a most cordial and knightly reception awaiting me, and every member put forth special effort to show me that consideration which they so generously considered due my official station.

Brantford—On Wednesday, Oct. 3rd, 1894, I paid an official visit to Calanthe Lodge, No. 36, at which there was a good attendance of members. After an address to the brethren on the principles, aims and objects of our Order, a candidate was initiated, the ritualistic work being fairly well given, and memorized in part. The members are enthusiastic, among them being many of the most prominent men of the city, and I expect good results in the very near future.

Hamilton—On Oct. 4th, I visited Red Cross Lodge, No. 3, and Bismark Lodge, No. 31, in a combined meeting. Although a stranger in the city so many Knights called on me that I felt perfectly at home. In the afternoon I was driven to all the principal places of interest in this most beautiful city. In the evening, accompanied by D.G.C., Bro. Burns; G.M. of E., Bro. Peace; P.S.R. Bro. Chapman, and G.K.R.S., Bro. Mitchell, was received by the officers and members with a right loyal, chivalric welcome. After an address to the Knights, over one hundred in all, on matters pertaining to the Order, I witnessed the long form rank of Knight conferred. As to offering any criticism, that is out of the question, for the work was beautifully performed and one thing worthy of note is the fact that there was not a ritual used in any part of the work. These lodges seem blest with lots of musical talent, a very desirable factor in conferring ranks. Judging from the reception given me here we may expect greater successes than have been accomplished in the past.

St. Catharines.—Oct. 5th. Visited Perseverance Lodge, No. 23, and was more than disappointed at the state of affairs. There were but 12 or 13 in attendance and upon examination I found that no proper returns had been