

replied in a suitable manner, when the brethren repaired to Bro. Geo. Lee's where an excellent supper was prepared, of which upwards of forty partook. A pleasant and happy hour was spent, and the company separated—"Happy to meet, sorry to part, and happy to meet again." We ought to mention that the Jewel, which is very elegant, was procured from Bro. James Belling, James street, Hamilton, and reflects much credit on his skill as a workman.

At a recent meeting of Jerusalem Lodge, No. 31, at which R. W. Bro. McCabe, D. D. G. M., installed and invested the officers elect for the current year, a highly complimentary resolution was passed on motion of R. W. Bro. J. Milne, seconded by Bro. T. E. Simson, presenting the thanks of the Lodge to R. W. Bro. McCabe, for the able manner in which he had conducted the installation, and for his great courtesy while presiding over the Lodge.

**FESTIVAL OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST.**

**AMHERSTBURG.**

THISTLE LODGE, No. 34.—The following is a list of the officers of Thistle Lodge, No. 34, installed on St. John's day:—

W. Bro. George Gott, Master; W. Bro. M. J. Salmoni, Past Master; Bros. William McGuire, S. W.; Gordon McLeod, J. W.; Chas. W. Thomas, Treas.; John A. Kane, Sec.; Rev. F. G. Elliott, Chaplain; John Conroy, S. D.; James Atkinson, jr., J. D.; James Atkinson, sr., I. G.; James McVitty, Tyler.

**RICHMOND.**

ST. FRANCIS LODGE, No. 67.—The following is a list of the officers, elected on St. John's day, for the current Masonic year:—

W. Bro. T. Le., W. M.; V. W. Bro. M. M. Tait, P. M.; R. W. Bro. J. H. Graham, P. M., D. D. G. M.; W. Bro. Hart, P. M.; Bros. M. Burnie, S. W.; P. O. Gallup, J. W.; Rev. L. Gay, Chaplain; K. Macleay, Treas.; E. Cleveland, Sec. and Lib'n; J. S. Snow, S. D.; A. Wilcocks, J. D.; A. W. Hamilton, D. of C.; John Thompson, A. J. Morrill, Stewards; M. Lynch, Organist; J. Fairbairn, I. G.; J. Brand, Tyler; V. W. Bro. Tait, W. Bro. Hart, W. Bro. Hamilton, P. Com.

**BRIGHTON.**

The following are the brethren installed as officers of UNITED LODGE, No. 29, for the year commencing 27th Dec., 1867:—

W. Bro. E. W. Edwards, W. M.; J. O. Proctor, P. M.; Jos. Davy, S. W.; Jos. Lockwood, J. W.; J. M. Wellington, Treasurer; W. A. Mayhew, Secretary; J. B. Gordon, S. D.; H. L. Cook, J. D.; C. E. Bullock, I. G.; S. Buckley and Jas. Purkiss, Stewards; A. E. Fife, M. of C.; R. C. Bowyer, Chaplain; J. Carey, Tyler.

**NEWFOUNDLAND.**

The Members of the Tasker Lodge met at the Masonic Hall, St. John's, Newfoundland, on Tuesday, the 17th March, at 10 o'clock, a. m., with the Brethren of St. John's Lodge, No. 579, R. E.; Avalon Lodge, No. 776, R. E.; Harbour Grace Lodge, No. 476, R. S.; and several transient Brethren, preparatory to walking in procession to the Wesleyan Church, where a Sermon was preached by the Chaplain, Rev. Brother J. PRINCE, and a collection made in aid of the "Tasker Educational Fund" After which, the Brethren returned to the Masonic Hall, when the R. W. Master and Officers of Tasker Lodge for the ensuing Masonic year were installed

at high noon by the R. W. D. P. Grand Master, R. E. (Hon. J. S. CLIFT), and are as follows:—

Brothers W. T. Parsons, R. W. M.; A. Smith, W. S. W.; A. Marten, W. J. W.; Rev. J. Prince, Chaplain; J. McL. Muir, Treas.; W. A. Marett, Sec.; J. W. W. Spry, Organist; G. Dicks, S. D.; H. O. Caaning, J. D.; R. G. Knight, B. B.; J. T. Carnell, E. Rothwell, Stewards; R. Templeton, I. G.; W. Smith, Tyler.

TASKER EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE:—Bros. R. W. Master; W. S. W.; W. J. W.; A. Graham and E. L. Moore.

**OUR SISTER GRAND LODGES.**

**TENNESSEE.**

The Grand Lodge of this State held its last Communication in October, 1867. The Grand Master, in his address, made the following pertinent remarks in relation to Masonic duties:—"A worthy brother may exhibit commendable zeal in the discharge of his duties to the particular Lodge which claims his membership; he may be faithful in his attendance upon it; prompt in the payment of his dues; charitable in his dealings with men; and a staunch defender of innocence and truth; yet even such a brother has not perfected his education in Masonry, until he has familiarized himself with the practical workings of the order, and with all the rules and laws which control its civil government. These are as essentially a part of his education as are those higher lessons of charity and benevolence, taught in its lodge rooms, and in the example of its brightest lights. I claim that an institution so venerable in its original conception, and so long approved by the generations that have followed upon its birth, contains nothing in it, harmonizing with its sublime purposes, which is not worthy the most careful study of all its members." The question—now a prominent one with our American brothers—as to the propriety of passing or raising persons who are maimed, having been alluded to by the Grand Master, the Grand Lodge resolved that "the 49th Edict is in accordance with the ancient usages and landmarks, and applies as well to passing and raising as to initiation," thus negating the proposition. From a tabular statement we learn that there are 273 chartered Lodges in the jurisdiction, and 16 under dispensation, the number of members being 15,790. During the year there were raised, 2,202; admitted, 893; dimitted, 941; suspended, 105; expelled, 44; died, 154.

**At Rest.**

Died, at Headford, Ont., on Wednesday, 18th March, V. W. Bro. JOHN C. BURR, Past Master of Richmond Lodge, No. 23, G. R. C., aged 74 years.

Our late Brother was one of the oldest settlers and Masons in the township of Markham. He was initiated in the Western Light Lodge in the year 1821, and a few years after joined the Richmond Lodge and remained a member of it until his death. He was an honest and intelligent farmer as well as a good and useful Freemason, and was, by his own request, interred with full Masonic honors on the 20th ult. W. Bro. Dr. Hostetter, W. M. of Richmond Lodge, officiated, kindly assisted by W. Bro. A. McBeth, P. M., and W. Bro. Peter Patterson, W. M. of Vaughan Lodge. The procession was headed by the Patterson Brass Band, with muffled drums and trumpets, which added much to the solemnity of the occasion.