

W. Sir, because we know that the many long journeys and the great sacrifice of time which you have so freely made were not made without depriving you of many comforts and the pleasures of home, and because we do not forget that these have been benevolently given for our good and the advancement of our noble and ancient Order.

We feel that we ought long ago to have expressed our gratitude and appreciation of your services in instituting this lodge and rendering such efficient aid, encouragement and instruction to its members. At the same time we assure you that the continued generosity and ever timely help in the absence of expressed gratitude on our part have but deepened the profound respect and love that we feel for you in our hearts.

Accept then, R. W. Sir and Bro., this tea set as a slight mark of our esteem for you and every member of your family, not in any sense as a reward, for we know that true kindness cannot be bought or paid for, but as feebly expressive of our appreciation of your arduous labors amongst us as Master of this lodge, together with the kindest wishes and prayers of every member that you may be long spared to your family, an honor to the Craft and a blessing to the world.

Signed on behalf of Conestogo Lodge, No. 295, of A. F. & A. M., of Canada.

J. W. FAWCETT, W. M.
S. R. DALES, Secretary.

To R. W. Bro. C. Hendry, P. D. D. G. M., Wellington District.

DRAYTON, ONT., January 6, 1876.

R. W. Bro. Hendry responded in the following terms :

WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN,—The fraternal and kind address which you have been pleased to present to me this evening is more than I had any right to expect from my brethren of Conestogo Lodge, for in assisting them in its formation, I only discharged the duty that is incumbent on every member of the Craft, and one which I have no doubt all and each of you would perform were you placed in a position where your assistance was required, for the benefit of the Craft or of your fellow man.

Worshipful Sir, in receiving this generous and very handsome gift for the use of my wife and family I shall not attempt to express to the brethren the feelings with which my heart is filled, suffice it to say, so long as I live its presence will remind me of the many pleasant hours passed among you, and, when my labors in this lower lodge are ended, it will, I hope, remind my children of the warm hearts and generous hands of the brethren of Conestogo Lodge.

In conclusion, I would say that my greatest desire is to see Conestogo Lodge active and prosperous, and guided by the rays of Heaven in the paths of virtue and science.

Fraternally yours,

DRAYTON, January 4th, 1876.

CHARLES HENDRY.

This part of the proceedings having been concluded, a series of toasts were proposed from the chair, as follows: "The Queen and the Royal Family," received with cheers. "The Grand Lodge of Canada," and "The D. D. G. M. of the Wellington District," responded to by R. W. Bro. McLaren, of Mount Forest. "Our Guest," replied to by R. W. Bro. Hendry: "Prosperity to Conestogo Lodge," proposed by a visiting brother, was responded to by W. Bro. Fawcett, and by Bros. McKellar and Shaw, the Senior and Junior Wardens, respectively. "The Learned Professions," met with happy responses from Rev. G. A. Yeomans, of Winterbourne, Rev. Bro. Garbutt and Bro. Dr. Emes, of Drayton. "The Visiting Brethren" brought Bro. Dr. Pasmore, of Conestogo, and Bro. S. L. Haight, of Harriston, to their feet. "The Ladies," "The Press," and the "Host," called forth proper responses, and the list was closed with the Junior Warden's toast, "Happy to meet, sorry to part, happy to meet again." Music was supplied at intervals by Miss Healy and Mr. Deeble, and a pleasant and agreeable evening was brought to an appropriate close with "Auld Lang Syne," by the company.—*Mount Forest Examiner*.

ON the night of the 27th December, the brethren of Peterborough Lodge, No. 155, and Corinthian Lodge, No. 101, A. F. and A. M., after the installation of their officers, sat down to a supper in the large Temperance Hall adjoining their own rooms, having for their guests a number of brethren from Keene, and from the Clementj Lodge, Lakefield. The chair was filled by Bro. H. C. Rogers, the newly installed Master of Corinthian Lodge, having on his right Bros. Dr. Kincaid and John Dinwoodie, of Lakefield, and on his left, Bros. J. J. Lundy and H. Winch. The supper, which was provided by Mr. Bowman, of Bowman's Chop House, was quite a treat for the brethren after the hard work they had just gone through, and likewise reflected credit upon the skill of the caterer. After the brethren had partaken heartily of their feast—so heartily, indeed, that if we can trust the old Scotch proverb, "Feed a cold and hunger a colic," most of them must have had a very bad cold—the cloth was removed, and the intellectual part was proceeded with. The chairman gave as the first toast "The Queen and the Craft," which was drunk with loyal Masonic honors. The second toast was