

BANQUET TO EARL DEGREY AND RIPON, AT WASHINGTON.—Earl de Grey and Ripon, Lord Tenterden, Mr. LeStrange, Secretary of the British Legation, Sir John A. Macdonald and the son of Sir Stafford Northcote, to-night attended the reception and banquet given in their honor by the Grand Lodge of Masons of the District of Columbia. Earl DeGrey thanked the Lodge for his kind welcome, and said he held the highest office that could be conferred on a man in England, and concluded as follows:

I, Sir, esteem myself very fortunate indeed to have had it in my power to attend here to-night. I shall carry away from this Grand Lodge most grateful recollections of your kindness. I shall make it my first duty to tell my brethren in England of the magnificent reception which has been accorded to their Grand Master to-night, and I am confident that I do not misinterpret the feeling with which they will receive the information when I see them. They will indeed rejoice that the first step has been taken which will tend to a closer and more intimate union between America and the English masses. (Great applause.) A union which, for my part, I have always believed existed, but which I believe will be closer and more intimate in the future.

The brethren were presented to Earl DeGrey at the conclusion of his speech.

Lord Tenterden, who is Master of Harmony Lodge, England, also received attentions, and Grand Master C. F. Stanbury wore the apron and the gavel which formed part of the insignas of Washington.

CAPITULAR MASONRY.

List of Officers of the Oxford Chapter No. 18 Woodstock, Ont., installed and invested on the 17th March 1871.

R. E. Comp. Charles L Beard Z., E. Comp. E. A. H. Faugnier H., E. Comp. James Canfield J., Companions Alex. S. Shaw, Scribe E., Henry J. Finkle, Scribe N., Homer P. Brown, Treasurer, Robert Stark, principal Sojourner, George Oswald, 1st asst. Sojr., Isaac Ingraham, 2nd asst. Sojr., James L Cherry, Janitor.

The Brethren of the Oxford Lodge in conjunction with the Companions of the Oxford Chapter have just completed the furnishing of their new Hall, and every credit is due to the Committee for the chase and elegant design of the decorations. The Hall will compare favorably with any we have seen in the Province.

LORD DALHOUSIE AS A FREEMASON.—A movement is on foot among the members of the Masonic body having for its object the presentation to Lord Dalhousie of a testimonial, in acknowledgment of the distinguished services he has rendered to the craft during nearly half a century. It is proposed that the testimonial take the shape of a bust—in duplicate—one copy to be presented to the noble Lord, and the other to be placed in Freemason's Hall.—*Scotsman*.

We have received several reports of Presentations, &c., which came too late for insertion this month, and which will appear in our next issue.