having drafted the resolutions which were passed by Adonirum Council, of Toronto in 1871, calling the convention which resulted in the organization of the Grand Council of Ontario, on the 8th day of August 1871, M. Ill. Comp. T. Douglas Harington, having been elected the first Grand Master, Ill. Comp. Daniel Spry was elected Deputy Grand Master, the following year he was elected to the office of Grand Master and re-elected in the year 1873, and again in 1874. He also holds the important positions of Representative of the M. Ill. the Grand Councils of the States of Vermont, New York and South Carolina, near the M. Ill. the Grand Council of Ontario.

Sir Knight Daniel Spry was installed as a Knight Templar in Mount Calvary Encampment, Orillia, on the 4th day of October, 1871, and had also conferred on him the degree of Knight of Malta. He is a charter member of Odo de St Amand Preceptory, of the city of Toronto, and was the first Prelate of the same, and has since held the office of Marshal in the same Preceptory. He also holds office at present in Geoffrey De St. Aldemar Preceptory of Toronto, of which body he is a member. In the Grand Priory of the Dominion of Canada, he holds the position of First Aid-de-camp.

Sir Knight Daniel Spry received the degrees of the Order of the Red Cross of Rome and Constantine in the year 1851, and was installed as Most Puissant Soverign, of Holy Land Conclave No. 26, Toronto, on the 7th of November, 1874, and appointed Intendant General of the Toronto District, for the year 1874-5.

Brother Daniel Spry is also Past Noah of McLeod Moore Lodge of Royal Ark Mariners of Toronto, and in the Grand Lodge of Royal Ark Mariners of the Dominion of Canada, he holds the position of Deputy

Grand Master.

III. Brother Daniel Spry, 32°, received the degrees of the A. & A. R. up to and including the 18°, in Immanuel Rose Croix Chapter, Orillia, in the year 1871, and subsequently received the degrees from the 19° to the 32° in Moore Sovereign Consistory, S. P. R. S. 32° in the city of Hamilton. He is a charter member of Toronto Sovereign Chapter of Rose Croix, and at present holds the office of First General in that

As will be seen by the foregoing sketch, Bro. Spry has from the very first taken a lively interest in all the branches of the Order, and still continues to do so, and the writer trusts that the G. A. O. T. U. may long enable him to use his best energies in advancing the interests of

the Order generally.

## LONDON MASONIC MUTUAL BENEFIT ASSOCIATION.

## SPECIAL NOTICE.

London, Ontario, Dec. 1, 1874.

To the Members of the L. M. M. B. Association.

Your Directors have for some time past had under their most serious consideration, the present position and future prospects of the Association. We are deeply impressed with the conviction that the Association cannot continue to flourish upon its present basis; the deaths must necessarily increase year by year, and the probability is that many of the members will drop out from unwillingness or inability to meet the numerous calls; and that applications for admissions will decrease, from the fact that the Association can give no security to the younger members that their representatives will ever receive that which they have a right to expect.

We are convinced, that in order to give stability to the Association, and confidence to the present and prospective members, it is absolutely necessary that every effort