

on his time and attention from his professional and public avocations, especially during the period of his filling the honorable and responsible position of Mayor of Toronto," and concluding with an expression of "the best wishes of the Companions for the welfare and happiness of himself and of all those near and dear to him both in time and eternity." After the reading of the address R. E. Comp. Kerr handed the worthy Companion a morocco case containing a valuable double-cased gold watch, engraved with the crest of the recipient and the following inscription, "The R. A. Chapter of St. Andrew and St. John, No. 4, G. R. C. to R. E. Comp. S. B. Harman, G. H. and P. Z., as a token of personal esteem, and in recognition of his untiring zeal and valuable services in promoting the interests of the Chapter and in the cause of Royal Arch Masonry, Toronto, 19th January, 1872." Every care had been taken, and with the most complete success, to keep secret the intention of paying this well deserved compliment to Comp. Harman, from the feeling that surprise would add zest to the presentation, and if the moment of presentation was one of true pleasure to the donors, the worthy recipient, after requiring a few minutes to recover his feelings and utterance, declared it was something more, it was "an occasion, a manifestation of fraternal kindness and feeling never to be forgotten," and "utterly unprepared, he could only make the attempt to convey in words his deep and grateful emotion." The R. E. Comp. then in brief terms alluded to the labor of love his work had been in the cause of the Chapter, and with words of congratulation to the Companions who had been just installed, and especially to the able First Principal, who had prior to the union so well filled the First Principal's chair of St. John's Chapter, again thanked the Companions for their beautiful gift.

But the intention of the Companions to make the evening one of pleasurable reminiscence was not yet concluded, and R. E. Comp. Harman was then requested and in happy terms presented to his fellow-worker V. E. Comp. James Bain, (the historian of St. Andrew's Lodge) Past Scribe E. of the former St. Andrew's Chapter, a chaste and valuable mantle-piece clock, bearing the following inscription, "Presented to V. E. Comp. James Bain, in grateful recognition of his eminent services in the revival of St. Andrew's Chapter, and for many years one of its members, and for his merits as a man and a mason." Companion Bain, to whom the pleasurable surprise was as great as in the former presentation, having warmly and feelingly responded, the Chapter was called off from labor to refreshment, and a happy hour having been spent, concluded with the happiest feeling of harmony and good fellowship, an evening which will be long remembered in its annals, which it may not be out of place to name, extend over a period of seventy-two years, the old St. John's Chapter, from which the Chapter of St. Andrew and St. John traces descent, having been opened in Toronto on the festival of St. John the Baptist, A. D., 1800.