



**BRO. JOSEPH CHARLES, President of Bowood Lodge.**

The President of Lodge Bowood, Bro. Jos. Charles, was born in Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, England, on the 8th of November, 1853, removed to London with his parents, leaving England's metropolis in 1860 for Canada, and located in Ottawa. Bro. Charles learned the trade of cabinet maker, which trade he followed till 1875, when he took a position with Mr. Alex Mortimer, the then Government Bookbinder and Lithographer, now the Mortimer Co., Limited, where he has been for the last 25 years. Bro. Charles became a member of Bowood Lodge No. 44, in 1888, and has been a steady and active member ever since, he has filled all the offices in the lodge, and has refused to take the chair on several occasions. At the last election the brethren unanimously agreed that Bro. Charles should be the president of Bowood lodge, and their confidence will not be betrayed, he is persistent, active in the interests of the lodge, and the principles of the order, and in Bro. Charles the Sons of England have a worthy brother. He is also a member of Progress Lodge A. O. U. W. and of the U. P. B. S.