

rants for those reported dormant, and have a considerable number to dispose of yet.

ARREARS OF PRIMARY LODGES.

The action taken at our last annual meeting, in leaving the final settlement of arrears to the Grand Lodge with the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, has been of considerable advantage, for several Primary Lodges would have probably surrendered their warrants if assistance and encouragement had been delayed. However, in another year we may look forward for returns from all.

ORGANIZATION OF NEW LODGES.

The work of organization in several Counties will have to engage early attention, and a small sum to defray necessary expenses should be voted before we close this meeting, unless, indeed, we are prepared to find several Counties disappear from our lists. A selection of the most pressing of these might be made, and the balance permitted to stand for another year.

DECEASED BRETHREN.

A partial list of these has been returned, showing that the "last enemy" has been very busy in the ranks. Good and true brethren have passed to their reward, we trust to be long remembered in their homes and lodge rooms. One by one the early pioneers of Orangism in Canada are fast disappearing. Bro. Nathaniel Wallace, one of the oldest members in York County, was laid to rest in the beautiful churchyard at Woodbridge, on the first day of this month. His example is worthy of our imitation. Orange principles found in him at all times a worthy advocate; and, unlike many, he continued firm to the end. His family have inherited his devotion for our cause, and we find them closely identified with our work. Our present Deputy Grand Master of British America represents them worthily, not only in our Association, but as the honored member of Parliament for West York in the House of Commons.

ORPHANS' HOMES.

The laudable work of relieving the fatherless gathered into the various Protestant Homes has merited your approval year by year, and after a careful perusal of the annual reports of the Homes, I find we stand, to the credit of the Orange Association, alone in this matter. I would, however, draw attention to the fact that outside the Toronto Home we have no representatives on the Boards of Management, and consequently have no knowledge of the fact as to whether or not children of deceased brethren, in actual connection at the time of death, are admitted. A special committee on this subject would find much valuable work to do, and the preparation of a simple, business like plan for admission might be arranged with each of these charitable Homes. No doubt, renewed interest and increased contributions would be the result of such a direct interest in the relief of the orphans of our brethren.

EVANGELISTIC WORK.

My attention has been drawn on several occasions, when conversing with clergymen, to the fact that we have practically, as an Association, overlooked evangelization or missionary work, and it is said this

is not credited to men. I have Missions to be shown to brethren would recognize and

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