

1864, when he was elected G. M., and continued in office two years. He was buried with all the honors which Masonry can bestow, the funeral being conducted by the Grand Lodge of Quebec, attended largely by the members of our Fraternity. M. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, P. G. M., kindly acted as my representative and the representative of this Grand Lodge. Our late brother's management of the affairs of the Grand Lodge during his term of office was marked by the highest regard for the principles of the Craft, and a firm adherence to what he considered right. As a Freemason he was respected; as a citizen he was honored for his upright character and personal worth, and in Grand Lodge he will be remembered with his respected predecessors, M. W. Bros. W. M. Wilson, W. H. Weller, and T. Douglas Harrington.

R. W. Bro. Henry Turner died October 12th, 1882. At the time of his death he was the representative of this Grand Lodge, near the Grand Lodge of New York. He was an earnest Freemason and was highly esteemed in the Grand Lodge of which he was a member.

R. W. Bro. Thomas Matheson died May 2nd, 1883. He was a P. M. of Tudor Lodge, No. 141, Mitchell, and D. D. G. M. of the Huron District, 1868-69.

R. W. Bro. George L. Allen died at Toronto, July 26th, 1882. He was a P. M. of King Solomon's Lodge, No. 22, and D. D. G. M. Toronto District, 1856-57.

R. W. Bro. William T. Bray died at Wingham, September 17th, 1882. He held many offices in the Craft, and at the time of his death was Grand Junior Warden. In company with R. W. Bro. R. Radcliffe, D. D. G. M., and P. W. Bro. J. Ross Robertson, the Grand Senior Warden, and other members of the Craft, I attended his funeral and assisted in performing the last sad rites of the Fraternity. Few members of Grand Lodge had

more personal friends, or were more highly revered than our late brother.

R. W. Bro. Horace Merrill died 22nd May, 1883. He was a P. M. of Dalhousie Lodge, No. 52, Ottawa, and Grand Junior Warden 1872-73.

V. W. Bro. Samuel White, Grand Steward of Grand Lodge, died at Peterborough, September 1st, 1882. He labored for the good of Masonry, and was respected by his brethren.

ADDRESS TO THE QUEEN.

The Committee appointed at the last Annual Communication to prepare an address to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, performed their duty, and the address, beautifully engrossed, was taken charge of by M. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, P. G. M., who, while on a visit to England, presented it through the proper channel. Since that time we have all been deeply pained to learn of the accident which occurred to Her Majesty, and from which she is now happily recovering. The painful rumors regarding the state of her health alarmed the millions of her loyal and loving subjects, who revere and love her for being the best and noblest example of what a Constitutional Sovereign should be; while the good and pure of all nations honor her for her many virtues and noble life, and will join with us in praying that God may be pleased to spare her

Long to reign over us,
Happy and glorious,
God Save the Queen!

NEW LODGES.

Dispensations for the formation of new lodges have been granted as follows:—

1. Oakville Lodge, Oakville, County Halton, 16th Nov., 1882.
2. Lorne Lodge, Tamworth, County Adington, 6th March, 1883.
3. Craig Lodge, Deseronto, County Hastings, 15th March, 1883.
4. Central Lodge, Essex Centre, County Essex, 7th June, 1883.

DISPENSATIONS DECLINED.

I have declined to grant Dispensa-