

The following reports of Provincial Deputies were then read :

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*To the Supreme Council 33°, A.° & A.° S.° Rite for the Dominion of Canada :*

ILLUSTRIOUS BRETHREN :

The hope that was expressed by my widely known and much loved predecessor in his last, and as it turned out, final report to the Supreme Council, was not, unfortunately, destined to be fulfilled. Cheerful under all his troubles, and patient under all his physical disabilities, Ill.° Bro.° MENET passed away, leaving amongst us all many recollections of good deeds done, and work faithfully performed, during the whole of his long and active Masonic career. In all of the Masonic bodies he made hosts of friends and not one single enemy. Beloved by all, he has been called to his reward too soon, apparently to us who mourn his loss, but not too soon for the Great Master who doeth all things well.

I regret very much that since my appointment I have only been able to visit the bodies at Hamilton, Guelph and London, but from what I saw at those places, and from what I know from correspondence, of the others, I am glad to be in a position to report that the Rite throughout the Province of Ontario is making substantial progress.

At Hamilton, on the 1st October, I was greeted by a large attendance of the brethren, including the Illustrious Deputy from Nova Scotia. The work in the 6th, 7th, and 9th degrees was exemplified with the precision, correctness and impressiveness which have always been characteristic of Murton Lodge. The membership is large and good and is still increasing. The books are excellently kept, and the finances are in a flourishing condition.

I visited Royal City Lodge of Perfection, at Guelph, on the 14th October, and though the Thrice Puissant had some difficulties to contend with, the work of the 4th and 5th degrees was properly and correctly performed. Many active members of this Lodge have left the city, and others are resident some distance from it, yet, notwithstanding these obstacles, I know that satisfactory progress has been, and will be, made. I inspected the books of the Secretary and Treasurer, and have pleasure in certifying to their correctness and neatness.

On the 21st October I was accorded a very pleasant reception by the Thrice Puissant and members of the London Lodge of Perfection, who turned out in large numbers to meet me. The 4th degree was conferred upon a brother widely and favorably known in Western