

Grand Chapter and the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England, cease; and that the representative of this Grand Chapter, near the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England, be requested, and required, to surrender his commission as such representative, and that all Royal Arch Masons claiming allegiance to this Grand Chapter be, and they are hereby forbidden and enjoined from holding Masonic intercourse with Mark Master Masons claiming allegiance to the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England.

I. L. JOHNSON,
A. T. LONGLEY,
J. C. ALLEN.

The above passed without a single dissenting voice.

PRESENTATION AT ST. JOHN, N. B.—One of those pleasing episodes, which tend to cement feelings of brotherly love and good-fellowship in lodge membership, occurred in St. John's Lodge, No. 2, at its recent annual communication.

W. Bro. E. B. A. G. Blakslee, was initiated in this lodge in December, 1848, but shortly afterward removed to New York and affiliated in Westchester Lodge in that State. He did not, however, forget the body in which he first received Masonic light; and to prove it, he laid the silversmith's art under contribution, by having made to order a splendid jewel for the Organist of the lodge. The jewel is of solid silver, attached to a ribbon with thin clasps and a pin, and is so constructed that it may be worn on the breast, or suspended to a collar. The jewel has the following inscription on it:—"Presented to St. John's Lodge, No. 2, by W. Bro. E. B. A. G. Blakslee, P.M., 1884."

It was forwarded to R. W. Bro. William F. Bunting, P. G. M., and a Past Master of the lodge, who presented it at the request and on behalf of the donor. It was accepted by the W. M. in the name of the lodge, when the following resolution

was adopted amid the acclamation of the brethren:—

"Resolved unanimously,—That we, the Master, Wardens, and Brethren of St. John's Lodge, No. 2, on the Registry of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of New Brunswick, in annual communication assembled at Freemasons' Hall, in the City of Saint John, on the second day of December, A.L. 5884, do most cordially accept the very handsome and very valuable jewel, presented to the lodge by W. Bro. E. B. A. G. Blakslee, formerly a member of the lodge, now a resident of the State of New York; and, while tendering their warmest acknowledgments and thanks, to Bro. Blakslee, for his thoughtful remembrance in presenting such an appropriate gift to the lodge, in which, thirty-six years ago, he received Masonic light, they beg fraternally to express their sincere wish, that he and his may enjoy every comfort this world can bestow, and also join with him in the prayer that all may eventually meet in the Grand Lodge above, where the Supreme Grand Master rules and reigns."

"And further resolved,—That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to W. Bro. Blakslee, signed by the Master and Secretary, and authenticated by the seal of the lodge."

THE OLDEST FREEMASON.—The Nov. number of THE CRAFTSMAN stated that, "Probably the oldest Mason in Ontario, if not in Canada, is the venerable Joseph P. Huyck, of Belleville, initiated in Morai Lodge early in 1819." We have in New Brunswick a very venerable and respected member of the fraternity, whose initiation antedates that of Bro. Huyck some four years. The brother alluded to is Capt. Isaac Doane, who was initiated in Saint John's Lodge, of St. John, New Brunswick, on the 15th of June, 1815. Bro. Doane is hale and active for a man of his advanced years, and was recently engaged in a law suit involving a title to property.—Com.