

address from the brethren of Georgina Lodge, because R.W. Bro. Malone had come from within a stone's throw off where he (Bro. Collins) was born, in Ireland. Bro. Collins then read the following address :—

*To K.W. Bro. E. T. Malone, D.G.M.
Grand Lodge of Canada, A. F. &
A. M.:*

The Brethren of Georgina Lodge avail themselves of the opportunity of this your first official visit to express to you their gratification and pleasure at the recognition of the eminent service which you have tendered to the Craft, bestowed upon you at the last regular meeting of Grand Lodge on your election to the high and honorable position of Deputy Grand Master. We feel assured that the dignity of the office will be fully maintained, and its duties discharged to the entire satisfaction of the Craft.

Your Masonic career has been of steady progress, winning your way upward by your own unaided efforts and ingratiating yourself into the hearts and affections of your brethren by your uniform good nature, genial manner and honesty of purpose.

Your connection with Masonry for a period of over twenty years has reflected the highest possible credit upon you and challenged the admiration and approval of the members in the Craft.

And not only has Symbolic Masonry to thank you for your efforts on its behalf but also Capitular, Cryptic and Chivalric Masonry, being a Past Grand Warden of the Grand Chapter and Past Sovereign Grand Master of the Great Priory of the K. T. of Canada, and also having the proud distinction of appending the 33rd degree A. & A. S. R. to your name.

We may be pardoned for expressing the wish that as Grand Lodge thus far has recognized your zeal, ability and devotion to its interests, it will, when the opportunity occurs, place you in the Grand East, whence we feel assured you will be found not undevoutly to follow in the glorious foot-

steps of the eminent brethren who have gone before.

We trust you may long be spared to enjoy all the blessings of this life, and when the meridian of your day is attained and the shadows begin to lengthen, and you are called upon to lay down the gavel, may you ascend to that Grand Lodge above, where the world's great Architect reigns forever and forever.

TORONTO, Oct. 2nd, 1896.

Signed by the members of the Lodge.

R.W. Bro. E. T. Malone in replying to the address said :—R.W. Sir, W. Sir and Brethren, I am afraid that you have given to me many virtues that I do not possess. If I were as you paint me I would indeed be a fortunate man. However, I feel fortunate in being associated with brethren who entertain towards me such feelings of respect. Allow me, however, to imagine, at all events, that these kind words were said more to encourage me in my endeavor to work for the good of Masonry according to my light, than otherwise. Although my brethren of Zetland Lodge a short time ago saw fit to honor me, as I am being honored tonight by Georgina Lodge, I feel it was done more as a safe-guard, so that the brethren who might come in contact with me the first time, might not see all my short-comings at once but would be prepared to meet them. They being somewhat like the good church wardens of a small church out west, who had hired a new organist and having a congregation, who had musical ears, and wishing at all events to preserve their new organist from danger, they placed placards around inside the church with these words, "Don't shoot at the organist, he is doing his level best." I feel proud of the honor that has been conferred upon me by Grand Lodge. I am proud of the magnificent manner in which they have repaid me for any efforts that I have put forth in the cause of Masonry. But Brethren, as I have stated on