

AMALGAMATION. The Scottish Rite, otherwise, in the Dominion will be forced into a subordinate position; it already has lost *prestige* by its arrogant assumption of power, and it is a pity to see such beautiful degrees as those of the A. & A. Rite gradually become worthless owing to warring factions. We again say—Amalgamate.

At a special meeting of the Supreme Grand Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Dominion of Canada and Province of Newfoundland, held at Belleville, M. Ill. Bro. L. H. Henderson, K. C. T., 33°, presiding, Ill. Bro. C. D. Macdonald, K. C. T., 33°, was unanimously elected Grand Orator in place of the Ill. Bro. Rev. W. C. Clarke, 33°, deceased.

GRAND LODGE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

At the meeting of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, held in the city of New Westminster, on 23rd June last, the following officers were elected and installed:—

Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Edgar Crow Baker.
Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bro. Thos. Trounce.
Grand Senior Warden, R. W. Bro. Robt. B. Kelly.
Grand Junior Warden, R. W. Bro. Robt. Beaven.
Grand Chaplain, V. W. Bro. Rev. Robt. H. Smith.
Grand Treasurer, V. W. Bro. M. W. Waitt.
Grand Secretary, V. W. Bro. Alexander R. Milne.
Grand Tyler, Bro. William Trickey.

The following are the appointed officers:—

Senior Grand Deacon, V. W. Bro. James Millar.
Junior Grand Deacon, V. W. Bro. Dixie H. Ross.

Grand Superintendent of Works, V. W. Bro. Alexander Easson.
Grand Director of Ceremonies, V. W. Bro. Edw. C. Neufelder.
Grand Marshal, V. W. Bro. Jas. Stone.
Grand Sword Bearer, V. W. Bro. George Black.
Grand Standard Bearer, V. W. Bro. Andrew Haslam.
Grand Organist, V. W. Bro. James Andrews.
Grand Pursuivant, V. W. Bro. Robert Elder.
Grand Stewards—W. Bros. E. J. Salmon, D. R. Harris, James Frame, Sherman Proctor.

FREEMASONRY IN ROUMANIA.

In reply to a letter of Bro. Robert Ramsay, Captain C. M. Moroin, of Bucharest, Roumania, a most zealous and enthusiastic Mason in every branch of the Craft, and occupying the position of Grand Master in the Symbolic Grand Lodge as well as Grand Master in the Memphis Rite, and Grand Commander in the Scottish, sends the following interesting communication, which in a very brief space proves the hardships and trials that our brethren have to undergo in despotic countries. In another part of the letter, which we have omitted, Bro. Moroin states that he has watched the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales, and that the Grand Lodge of Roumania has recognized the same; he also alludes to the formation of the Grand Lodge of Victoria. Our distinguished frater's letter will be read with pleasure:

BUCHAREST, ROUMANIA,
October 14, 1883, V. E. }

To Wor. Bro. Robert Ramsay, Orillia:

VERY ILLUS. BROTHER,—Having received your letter of the 29th September, I cheerfully hasten to reply to the two points in your communication regarding an editorial of the *Hebrew Leader*, of New York.