

PRESENTATION.—On the evening of the 8th ult. the members of Irvine Lodge, No 203, Elora, with their wives and a number of invited guests, met in the very neatly arranged Lodge room at the Dalby House, to formally take leave of W. Bro. John Smith of Pilkington, who was about removing to Manitoba.

W. Bro. Savage read a very flattering address, and on behalf of the Lodge presented Mr. Smith with a valuable Silver Tea Service, consisting of five pieces, rich in design and beautifully ornamented. We regret we have not space for the Address and Reply. From the latter we make the following extract :

"You allude in very flattering terms to my public life, and the important positions of trust I have been honored with. Any success I may have attained in such positions, I may attribute to a desire to square my actions by the square of virtue towards all mankind, and conscientiously do my duty. This has been my guiding star, and has enabled me to counteract the many defects, which I am conscious I possess."

IN MEMORIAM.

THE EARL OF ZETLAND, P.G.M.

A solemn and affecting duty now devolves upon us. The Earl of Zetland is no more! and in simple, but heart-felt praises, we wreath our chaplet for his tomb.

In our lamented departed brother, Freemasonry has lost a fervent friend, and the cause of progress in general an ardent and generous supporter.

No career in the Craft—not even excepting that of the Duke of Sussex—was ever so distinguished, and few brethren—if any—have wielded the sceptre of Grand Master of England with so much credit to the Order. We say this without being guided in the least by the old quotation—*De mortuis nil nisi bonum*. Lord Zetland was not merely noble; he personified nobility, and all those who have enjoyed the honour of intimacy with our deceased illustrious brother, can testify in the strongest manner to his urbanity, and kindly bearing.

The writer of this tribute to our late chief's memory feels that words which he had the privilege to indite upon the occasion of Lord Zetland's retirement from the Government of the Craft are somewhat apposite to the present melancholy occasion inasmuch as they embody and express the universal sentiment of the Craft as to his Lordship's merits, in connection with a brief but accurate statement of the Earl of Zetland's Masonic career.

"We simply echo the feelings of every English Mason when we say that Lord Zetland has endeared himself to all our hearts; not only by his unswerving devotion to the high and holy principles of Freemasonry, but by the courtesy, the urbanity, and the dignity with which he has performed his duties as Grand Master of England. The post that his Lordship occupies is one of the most lofty and honourable positions to which a man can aspire during his earthly career. We would rather be the ruler of a glorious fraternity of good and true men, than the monarch of many a European realm. We would rather reign, as the Earl of Zetland has reigned, in the "hearts and affections" of his brother Masons than exercise command over their "lives and fortunes." We would rather have the epitaph placed over our tomb that we had served our fellow-men, and advanced the interests of truth and virtue, than to have recorded there those titles of majesty and dominion which sit so sadly