

Bro. J. Campbell, Ph. D., delivered an impressive and appropriate discourse.

W. Bro. Whitelaw, P. M., King Solomon's Lodge, Woodstock, was recently made the recipient of a P. M.'s jewel, on retiring from the east. Joseph W. Rippon is the present W. M., and G. J. Fraser, Secretary.

The members of Murton Lodge of Perfection, recently presented Ill. Bro. Millard, who has acted as Secretary for the past two years, with a handsome 32° jewel as a mark of their appreciation of his valuable services.

Bro. George Tait, who retired after the first ballot on the vote for D. D. G. M. of Toronto District, has been asked to deliver his carefully prepared lecture, "The Symbolism of Masonry," before several country lodges this winter.

Bro. Phillip H. Varney, Secretary of Fidelity Lodge, Ottawa, was drowned at Cumberland on June 16th. The deceased was employed in the Parliamentary printing office, and was highly respected; he leaves a wife and five children.

Bro. Samuel Bell, who carried on an extensive printing establishment in Toronto some years ago, and was then connected with King Solomon's Lodge, died in New York city on July 19th, of pulmonary consumption. His remains were interred in a New York burying ground; his wife and family reside here.

Bro. James Marquand, of Chatham, for 26 years treasurer of Wellington Lodge, was recently presented with a valuable testimonial, on voluntarily retiring from that office. The presentation was made by R. W. Bro. T. C. Macnabb, at Bro. Marquand's residence, a number of Masons and their wives being in attendance.

Rev. D. E. Brownell, in his sermon before the Freemasons of Welland, on St. John's day, among other good things said:—"If our churches were closed

to-morrow Christianity would still live, as Masonry holds the great fundamental principals, and Masonry cannot die. * * Drunkenness, profruity and gambling are as contrary to the Masonic ritual as they are to the discipline of the Methodist church."

The Masonic fraternity in this vicinity are exercised over the report that a Cuban, travelling under the names of Prof. Verona and Antonio Cassada, has been victimizing brothers of the craft by passing himself off as a Mason, and soliciting sums of money to enable him to purchase a ticket to New York. All Masons who hear of him are requested to wire Alexander Patterson, 10 Gloucester Street, Toronto.

A large number of the many friends of R. W. Bro. David McLellan met at his residence in Hamilton, on the 5th July, to celebrate the silver wedding of Bro. Mc. and his estimable wife. The evening was spent in a pleasant and profitable manner. The presents were numerous and costly, from a silver thimble to a brick of solid silver. THE CRAFTSMAN tenders Bro. McLellan and wife its congratulations on their quarter of a century of married bliss.

Some time ago Stevenson Lodge Toronto, initiated a candidate who resided in Bowmanville. Jerusalem Lodge of that town brought the matter to the attention of the proper authorities, and it found its way to Grand Lodge, where it was ventilated by the Grievance and Appeals Committee, who held that Stevenson had gone beyond its jurisdiction, and recommended that a portion of the initiation fee be handed over to Jerusalem Lodge.

At a regular convocation of Guelph Chapter, No. 40, held on Friday, July 12th, the following were installed by R. Ex. Comp. John Scoon, assisted by R. Ex. Comp. John Shupe, Grand Superintendent of the district:—James Parker, I. P. Z.; Robert Gemmell, Z.; Richard Mahoney, H.; Walter Marcroft, J.; H. Lockwood, Treasurer; Wm. Gibsou, S. E.; John Haugh, S. N.;