

Lodge, No. 36; Maple Leaf Lodge, No. 103; Merritt Lodge, No. 168; Macnab Lodge, No. 169; and members from Lodges No. 6, 7, 32, 35, 40, 61, 101, 105, 165, and several distinguished American brethren.

R. W. Bro. James Seymour informed the Brethren that the M. W. Grand Master had deputed him as his representative, for the purpose of opening a Special Grand Lodge, and to take charge of the Ceremonies of laying the foundation stone of "St. John's" Church, Port Dalhousie, Ontario.

A Grand Lodge was opened in form at high Twelve.

A procession was then formed in the order as laid down by the Book of Constitution, under the guidance of the acting Directors of Ceremonies, and headed by the band, the whole proceeded to the site of the new Church. On arriving there, the Brethren opened column, (the band passing to the right and still playing,) when the Acting Grand Master, Grand and Acting Officers, passed to the front, and were received and conducted to the edifice by the Rev. A. Dixon, A. B., Rector, the Archdeacon of Niagara, Rev. Henry Holland, Rev. T. T. Robarts, and Rev. W. Creighton. A triumphal arch of evergreens and beautiful flowers, decorated with Masonic insignia and flags, was erected at the entrance to the site of the Church.

THE CHURCH CEREMONY.

The impressive Church Ceremony was commenced by the choir singing Bro. J. P. Clark's *Te Deum*, when the 48th and 122nd Psalms were read. The Hymn *Jerusalem the Golden*, from Hymns A. and M., was next sung, after which, prayer (including the collect for St. John the Baptist's Day) was offered up by the Archdeacon. Then the Rev. Canon Dixon delivered a very eloquent and interesting address, which was listened to with deep attention by all present.

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