

called from labor to refreshment. A substantial entertainment had been prepared, to which ample justice was done, and an hour was spent in a very pleasant manner. The W. Master called the attention of the brethren to a very handsome Bible which the Senior Warden had presented to the lodge, whereupon a vote of thanks was passed and tendered to Bro. Watson, who replied in a happy manner.—*Mail, April 7th.*

ROYAL ARCH MASONRY IN PETERBORO'.—The annual meeting of Corinthian R. A. Chapter, No. 36, G. R. C., was held in the Chapter Room, George street, on Tuesday evening, April 18th, 1876, when the following officers were installed for the ensuing year: V. Ex. Comp, J. O'Donnell, Z.; Ex. Comp. R. H. Green, H.; Comp. H. Rush, J.; Comp. E. H. D. Hall, Scribe E.; Comp. H. C. Winch, Scribe N.; Comp. W. Paterson, jr., Treasurer; Comp. R. Elder, P. S.; Comp. W. Paterson, jr., S. S.; Comp. H. Cullen, J. S.; Comp. A. F. Huffman, D. of C.; Comp. Rich. Meade, Comp. D. Cameron, Comp. S. Redpath, Comp. J. Cameron, M. of V.'s; Comp. R. E. Birdsall, Standard Bearer; Comp. Geo. Mitchell, Sword Bearer; Comp. R. K. Connell, Comp. Dr. Fraser, M. D., Stewards; Comp. Geo. McWilliams, Janitor.

The annual banquet was held at the Huffman House. The chair was occupied by V. Ex. Comp. J. O'Donnell, First Principal, supported on the right and left by R. E. Comps. Dr. Kincaid, P. G. J., and Dr. Might, P. G. Supt., Ontario District; Comps. Wallace, Doeblar, and Traves, of Port Hope, and others. Ex. Comp. Robt. H. Green occupied the vice-chair, and was supported by Comps. Major Boulton and Walter Paterson, jr.

The Chairman, after a few personal remarks with reference to his position as Chairman, proposed "The Queen and the Craft." He felt that Masonry was so closely identified with royalty that it was a rare pleasure Companions enjoyed in contemplating this toast. He was proud to point to the connection with Masonry of the late Prince Consort, His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, Prince Leopold, and other personages of Royal blood; and felt it to be a source of pride to belong to an Institution patronized so extensively by Royalty.

R. Ex. Comp. Kincaid proposed the toast of "H. R. H. the Prince of Wales, First Grand Principal of the Grand Chapter of England." He said he had no doubt their illustrious Companion had accepted the high office after a great deal of mature consideration. He could understand that the heir to a throne who was destined to rule over a people of diverse religious and political opinions would feel deeply the responsibility of assuming the highest office in the gift of the Grand Chapter of England, but he did not consider there was anything to compromise so illustrious a personage with any of his loyal subjects, in identifying himself ever so prominently with this honorable and ennobling institution. His connection with Masonry would help to enlighten and liberalize his mind; and he was sure he would reflect the highest honor upon not only the Grand Chapter of England, but upon Masonry throughout the world. He referred to the Prince's travels through India, and the national character which was given to his Eastern visit, and expressed the hope that the nation and the Craft would alike reap rich fruits by the experience gained by this visit.

The Chairman then gave "The M. E. the First Grand Principal Z. and the Grand Chapter of Canada." He regretted that the First Grand Principal was not present, and although it was fully expected that they would have been honored with his presence to-night, the Companions would take the reasons given in his telegram for his absence as a sufficient proof of the heartiness of his desire to have been here to meet them. He would not, therefore, make any remarks under the circumstance. He considered the Grand Chapter of Canada was composed of as able representatives as could be brought together in any body of men, not excepting the House of Commons. Comp. Henderson was a genial, open-hearted fellow—talented and skilled for the high office he was called upon to fill, and one to whom they all looked up with confidence and trust.

R. E. Comp. Dr. Might was called on to respond. He said he was not aware that he would be called upon to reply to the toast, but he felt a good deal younger this evening, after being in the Chapter, and was proud of having the opportunity of responding to the toast. He had taken it to be a great honor when he was first made First Principal Z. of Corinthian Chapter of Peterborough. He referred to his Chapter history, and was pleased with the success they had achieved here. They had tried hard to keep the ship afloat, and having, with the able assistance of Comp. Dr. Kincaid, weathered all the storms successfully, they must now feel proud of the results. He paid a high compliment to the working of Comp. O'Donnell, and his zeal and enthusiasm in the Chapter. He was not very well acquainted with the present Grand Z., but believed him to be the right man in the right place, and was confident he would reflect honor on Royal Arch Masonry.

The Vice-Chairman proposed the next toast, "The Past Grand Officers of the Grand Chapter of Canada." It had been the first time he was placed in a similar position as