

always pleased to receive and welcome visitors, and especially visitors who represent a distinguished society and benevolent institution such as the Sons of England. This is an age when the duty of caring for the sick and providing for the helpless is becoming more and more clearly recognized, and in which that sacred duty is being cheerfully as well as more carefully and thoroughly performed. We hope, therefore, that your labors on this occasion as members of the chief legislative body of the Sons of England will result in advancing the interests of the society and in enabling it to carry on its work even more efficiently than in the past.

We hope, also, that your visit to Peterborough will be a pleasant one, and that your work will be lightened by the pleasures that you will derive from your stay among us.

I am pleased to know that the society is prospering in Peterborough, as well as elsewhere throughout the country, and founded as it is on the great principle of benevolence, its usefulness will no doubt go on increasing so long as man requires assistance from his brother man.

We again give you a hearty welcome, with our best wishes for a harmonious, successful and pleasant meeting of your Supreme Grand Lodge.

J. E. KENDRY, *Ex-Mayor of Peterborough.*

The Supreme Grand President replied to these addresses in felicitous terms, and on motion appointed Bros. R. Ivens, T. Sargant and F. N. Raines, a special committee to draft a suitable and formal reply.

Bro: G. K. Martin, on behalf of the Reception Committee, drew special attention to the service in St. John's church on Wednesday morning at 9 a.m., to be conducted by Rev. Bro. H. Symonds.

Supreme Grand Lodge adjourned at 3 p.m. for one hour to permit Committee on Credentials to prepare and present their report.