

ROYAL ARCH MASONRY.

OXFORD CHAPTER, No. 18, WOODSTOCK.—The following officers were installed for the ensuing year, at a Regular Convocation, held the 19th inst.:

R E Comp C L Beard, Z; E Comps Jno Paterson, H; Jno Chalmers, J; Comps M McKinnon, Scribe E; E A H Fauquier, Scribe N; Rod'k McKay, Prin Soj; H P Brown, Treas; Henry Hall, 1st Asst Soj; John Oswald, 2nd Asst Soj; J L Cherry, Janitor.

VICTORIA CHAPTER, U. D., PORT HOPE.—The Most Excellent Thomas Douglas Harrington, Grand Z., has been pleased to issue a dispensation to the following Companions, to open a new Chapter at Port Hope, viz:—

John Wright, as Z; Harrison Gates Taylor, as H; Robt Nicholls, as J; Joseph Benjamin O'Dell, John Brooke Traves, James Moor Irwin, Alphonso T Williams, Edw'd Peplow, Jr., Wm. B. Ferguson.

The Chapter is to meet on the second Thursday of each month.

The Grand Superintendent is to install the officers at an early day, after which the Chapter will at once commence active operations.

Victoria Chapter commences under the most favorable auspices, and has our hearty wishes for its prosperity.

KEYSTONE CHAPTER, U. D., WHITBY.—The officers of Keystone Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, were installed on Saturday afternoon, April 24th, by R. E. Comp. Wm. McCabe, of Oshawa, Grand Superintendent Toronto and Ontario Districts, assisted by E. Comps. A. DeGrassi, of Toronto, Fairbanks of Oshawa, and Patterson of Bowmanville. E. Comp. G. H. Dartnell was installed First Principal Z.; E. Comp. Yeoman Gibson, Second Principal H; E. Comp. J. P. Campbell, Third Principal J. The remaining officers invested were as follows:

Comps George Hopkins, Scribe E; J Gale, Scribe N; D Bette, Treasurer; C. A. Jones, Principal Sojourner; J B Bickell, Assistant Sojourner; John Stanton, Junior Sojourner; James Wallace, Master of the Veils; R. Francis, Standard Bearer; Charles King, Director of Cer; J. A. Campbell, Sword Bearer; Joseph King, Steward.

Eleven applicants for admission were balloted for, and seven petitions read and referred.

MOUNT HOREB CHAPTER, U. D., ORILLIA.—We learn that at a Regular Convocation of Manitow Chapter, No. 27, Collingwood, held on April 2nd, R. E. Comp. Henry Robertson, G. P. S., assisted by R. E. Comp. C. D. Macdonnell and E. Comp. John Nettleton, installed E. Comp. Robert Ramsay as Z., E. Comp. M. H. Spencer, as H., and E. Comp. R. King as J., of this new Chapter about to be established at Orillia.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

The annual meeting of Plantagenet Encampment, and Priory of Knights Malta, was held in the Masonic Hall, St. Catharines, on Monday evening, April 12th, when quite an interesting time was spent by the Frateres in attendance. During the evening the following officers were installed in ancient form, and duly proclaimed:—

Emt. Sir Kts. † Edwin Goodman, E. C.; † Alexander Servos, 1st Capt.; † George Groves, 2nd Capt.; † Isaac P. Willson, Prelate; † Lewis C. Camp, Registrar; † James Seymour, Treasurer; † John McDonagh, Almoner; † Walter Chatfield, Expert; † Henry H. Collier, 1st S'nd Br; † Moses Betts, 2nd S'nd Br; † James B. Fowler, Capt. Lines; † Thomas Hostetter, 1st Herald; † William Willson Wait, 2nd Herald; † Theophilus Mack, † William McGhie, Members of Council; † George Collins, † William Higgin, Equerries.

DEDICATION OF DORIC LODGE NO. 204.

FOR THE CRAFTSMAN.

The Hall of Doric Lodge, Danville, P. Q., No. 204, A. F. and A. M., was dedicated, and the Lodge consecrated and constituted on the evening of Tuesday, the 30th March.

To a part of these interesting and impressive ceremonies, some two hundred ladies and gentlemen, friends and acquaintances of the members of the Lodge, were admitted and appeared to enjoy themselves. The Hall was beautifully decorated with evergreens, flags and Masonic emblems,—great credit for which is chiefly due to the ladies. The Danville Brass Band furnished excellent music for the occasion.

The exercises were conducted by the District Deputy Grand Master for the Eastern Townships District, ably assisted by W. Bro. A. W. Hamilton A. B., M. D., &c., W. M., V. W. Bro. M. M. Tait, B. C. L., W. Bro. Thomas Hart, Brothers Burnie and Callup, Wardens, Bro. Wilcocks, S. D.; Bro. Hamel, Librarian; Bro. Brand, Tyler; and Bros. Jones, Boswell, of St. Francis Lodge, Richmond, and by V. W. Bro. D. Thomas, and Bros. Foss, Bostwick and others of Victoria Lodge, Sherbrooke; by Rev. C. P. Mallory, Chaplain, and Bro. T. B. Harris S. W., and Bro. Spafford, Treas., of Ascot Lodge, Lennoxville, Bro. Col. Lawrence and by a large number of other Brethren. The bad state of the roads, and the irregularity of the trains prevented not a few from attending.

After the consecration of the lodge a very beautiful quarto copy of the Bible, (the first great light in Freemasonry,) was presented by W. Bro. Dr. Hamilton, to Doric Lodge from St. Francis Lodge, Richmond, accompanied by an appropriate address which was fittingly responded to by W. Bro. Leet.

The investiture of the following officers of Doric Lodge for the present year, then took place:—W. Bro. Timothy Leet, W. M., Bro. J. L. Snow, S. W., Bros. W. E. Jordan, J. W.; R. Macleary, Treas., A. H. Burbank, Sec., A. J. Morrill, S. D.; J. S. Riddle, J. D.; W. R. Philbrick, I. G.; G. T. Hill, Steward, J. E. Holyoke, Steward, M. Lynch, D. of C., W. B. Hall, Tyler.

The D. D. G. M., was again requested to preside, and W. Bro. Dr. Hamilton, read the following

ADDRESS.

To Right Worshipful Bro. John H. Graham, A. M. LL. D.:

We, the undersigned officers and members of St. Francis Lodge, No. 67, A. F. & A. M., Richmond, over which you so long and ably presided, and which owes mainly to you its present position, have the honor to beg your acceptance of this Service, as a token of our appreciation of your many virtues as a man and a Mason; as well as of our grateful acknowledgement of your valuable labors in behalf of our Lodge in particular, and the Craft in general.

It would be impossible to refer here at any length to your valuable services as Worshipful Master of our Lodge; or to do them any adequate justice. However, when we mention that at the time you were elected its Worshipful Master, there were but seven members, who met irregularly in a poorly furnished Lodge-room, and that on your retirement (two years later) the Lodge numbered seventy-five members—who assembled regularly once a month, and very frequently oftener, in the present comfortable and well-furnished Lodge-room—that it was presided over by efficient and well-instructed officers; and lastly, that it was free of debt and firmly established on a good foundation. And when we remark that all this was only accomplished at a great sacrifice of your valuable time, and at great personal inconvenience, we bear some testimony to your zeal for the institution of Freemasonry.

And Right Worshipful Sir, while we recall with pleasure your services to our Lodge in particular, we are not unmindful of the zeal and wisdom you have displayed in your more extended sphere as District Deputy Grand Master of the Eastern Township's District.