

## DEATHS.

One year ago it was my sad duty to note the death of a number of our beloved Brethren, who held prominent official positions in this Grand Lodge.

Since last we met the "Grim Reaper" has again made inroads in our ranks—the gavel of death has sounded—and Brethren of eminence and ability have answered the summons. Amongst others whose absence we are to day called upon to mourn, I must mention the following well-known members of our Order:—M. W. Bro. Col. McLeod Moore, Honorary Past Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, and Supreme Grand Master of Knights Templar for the Dominion of Canada, has passed to his eternal rest. This sad event occurred at his residence, in Prescott, on the 1st of September, 1890. He was initiated into Freemasonry in 1827, at the early age of seventeen years, in Aberdeen, Scotland; received his Royal Arch Degrees in 1837, and was installed a Knight Templar in 1844. In 1850 he established the first Knight Templar Encampment ever held in Malta. Col. Moore came to Canada, in 1852, holding at that time a staff appointment. In 1854 he assisted at the formation of Corinthian Lodge, Ottawa, and was its first Worshipful Master. In 1859 he organized Carlton R. A. Chapter, and was its first Principal Z. He also, in 1854, resuscitated the old dormant Templar Warrant of Hugh de Payens Encampment at Kingston, and from this period we may date the establishment, upon a Constitutional basis, of the Templar Order in Canada, an Order to which our deceased Brother devoted the best years of his life, and of which he was the acknowledged leader for over thirty-six years. On the formation of the Sovereign Great Priory of the Dominion of Canada, he was elected to the distinguished position of Supreme Grand Master, *ad vitam*. The name of our veteran Brother will long be remembered as that of one of the most cultured Masons of his day; he was an able writer; and on matters appertaining to Knights Templarism was justly considered one of the greatest authorities in the world.

In August last we were shocked by the sad intelligence of the sudden death of R. W. Bro. James N. Wright, of Aylmer. Our Brother, in perfect health, and without a moment's warning, met his death on the 15th of August, while in the discharge of his duties at

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