

you can say from the bottom of your hearts, "God Himself is my Master, my King."

Bro. James Rogers, P. M. of St. George's Lodge, London, died on Jan. 27th, in his fifty-first year.

Bro. David Gardner, of London died recently in St. Thomas. A few months ago he was the victim of a robbery while driving from London to St. Thomas a young man in his employ securing a pocket book containing over \$100 of the old man's money, most of which however was subsequently recovered. Bro. Gardner was a member of Union Lodge 380.

Bro. Patrick Barrett, of London West, recently visited his farm in Westminster township, and was returning with a load of straw, when the axle of the waggon broke and the load turned over into the ditch, burying the unfortunate man under the straw. He was found soon afterwards, but life was extinct. Deceased was an old and respected member of St. John's Lodge, 209, and St. John's Chapter, No. 3.

R. Ex-Comp. J. Baker, of Stratford, Grand Superintendent of Huron District, G. R. C., paid an official visit to Lebanon Chapter, Wingham, recently.

Bro. Joseph Whetman, treasurer of the Burford Lodge, 106, was buried with Masonic honors the other day. He was a prominent man, and died deservedly esteemed by all.

On the evening of Jan. 15th, Bro. Rev. W. G. Howson delivered his Lecture on "The History and Mystery of Freemasonry", in Beeton, under the auspices of Spry Lodge, No. 385. He rivited the attention of his audience from the the beginning; and no further proof is requisite of the manner in which it was accepted by an intelligent audience than was shown by the repeated applause that was called forth during the two hours that he so ably and clearly illustrated his subject. Illness prevented Past Grand Master Spry from occupying the chair.

The London Free Press of Jan 25th thus refers to recent deaths in that locality:—"The mortality amongst older citizens has never been more marked than during the past two weeks in this vicinity, and four of the eight lodges here have been called upon to assist in consigning to the tomb brethren who were in fraternal sympathy with the Craft, and who had spent a large portion of their earthly career under the grand and comprehensive banner of the order. One of them was the oldest Past Master in the city, and the turnout of brethren at his funeral, despite the inclement weather, testified unmistakably the esteem in which he was held by his brethren. Let those who are left strive to so conduct themselves, that when they are summoned to the Grand Lodge above their names will be written on the scroll as good and faithful servants of the Great Architect of the Universe.

Grand Master Walkem has been elected president of the Kingston Curling Association.

The Lodge of Instruction held in the Masonic Hall, Strathroy, on the 9th ult. was a brilliant success. Visiting brethren from all parts of St. Clair District were present. The several degrees were exemplified by Wor. Bros J. Pool, Geo. McBeth, and T. O. Currie, respectively.

Right Wor. Bro. Dr. Armstrong, of Mooretown, Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Canada, preached the annual Masonic sermon to the brethren of Strathroy and vicinity, on the 12th ult.

The Masons of Thamesville held high festival recently. Invitations had been sent to sister lodges in the district to take part, but few responded owing to the bad weather and roads, except Ridgetown, who turned out in full force. W. B. Albertson, W. M. presided. The programme consisted of the dedication of the new hall and presentation by the members of Erie District, No. 1, of the new regalia to Bro. Clark, D. D. G. M.:—The presentation to Bro. McNab, of Chatham, P. D. D. G. M. of the old St. Clair district, with the regalia of .hat