

The R. W. then called on the R. W. G. Secretary to read his

### ANNUAL REPORT.

*To the Right Worshipful the Grand Master and Brethren of the Grand Orange Lodge of Western Ontario, in Grand Lodge assembled:—*

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN,

Your Grand Secretary in presenting his Annual Report, does not deem it necessary to review in detail the many important events affecting Protestantism and Orangeism in general, as he feels assured that the members of this Right Worshipful Grand Lodge are familiar with them; such as the struggle of Bismarck with the Papacy in Germany, the return of Isabella and her son to Spain, Gladstone on political. Ultramontaniam, and many other equally important topics.

Since our last Annual Meeting a truculent and servile majority in the Provincial Legislature voted down our Incorporation Bills, and I very much regret to say that numbers of Orangemen by their votes have assisted in returning some of them back to the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, and even, in some instances, voted against Brother Orangemen, who worked hard for our Bills, and contrary to the resolutions unanimously adopted by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of British America, last June in St. Catharines.

Surely it is time that we should bestir ourselves and adopt some more stringent measures and adhere to them, when we see the way that political parties bid for the Romish vote, by pardoning red handed murderers and otherwise truckling to that party and thus ignoring all their former professions for the sake of place and power.

Your Grand Secretary is gratified in being able to inform you, that from an extended correspondence and other sources of information, he is able to report, that our beloved Association is progressing, not only in the Motherland and other portions of the Empire, but also in the neighboring Republic.

In our own Province the march is onward. During the year twenty-one warrants for opening new Lodges have been issued, viz.:

No. 824.....	to the County of West Bruce.
Nos. 423, 447 and 860.....	“ Elgin.
“ 848 and 858.....	“ Essex.
No. 861.....	“ South Grey.
“ 1405.....	“ Halton.
“ 863.....	“ North Huron.
“ 825.....	“ South Huron.
“ 626.....	“ East Lambton.
“ 723.....	“ East Middlesex.
“ 1409.....	“ Monck.
Nos. 255, 426, 676 and 1196..	“ South Simcoe.
“ 342, 875 and 1402.....	“ Toronto.
No. 672.....	“ West York.