

sequently obliged to forego the career intended for him in the mother country and pursue his classical and collegiate education on this continent. Having attained suitable proficiency in his studies, he successively and successfully taught common school, grammar school and academy, for twelve years.

A professorship in 1858 falling vacant at St. Francis' College, Richmond, Prov. Quebec, he was appointed to the same, and shortly afterwards was made Principal of the Institution and elected a Fellow of the University of McGill College, Montreal. He resigned his position as Principal in 1872, after having obtained very high honors as a scholar, teacher, thinker and writer. Many of his pupils afterwards greatly distinguished themselves.

Bro. Graham was for some years President of the District and Provincial Teachers' Associations, St. Andrew's Society and a member of various other literary and scientific organizations. The University of McGill recognized his high classical attainments and literary acquirements, *honoris causa*, conferred upon him the degree of Master of Arts, and the University of Vermont remembering her distinguished adopted son, honored him in a similar manner; whilst the Norwich University, Northfield, Vt., created him a Doctor of Laws.

On his resignation of the position of Principal of St. Francis' College, Bro. Graham was the recipient of several testimonials from the students of the College and the citizens of the vicinity, and was importuned to accept the Presidency of one of the Universities of the West, but his services were secured as President of a Township's Railway, which forms an important branch of our railroad system. But although our learned brother is so closely identified with business matters of general importance, he does not let his pen rust or ink dry, as he is constantly contributing

his able articles, full of erudition and research, to the Masonic, the literary and the scientific press, and is the author of various papers, essays and pamphlets on educational, philosophical and scientific subjects. The brother is united in marriage to an accomplished American lady, by whom he has two sons and three daughters.

We now turn to the Masonic career of our distinguished frater, and before entering into particulars, we would premise by stating that we look upon Most Wor. Bro. Graham as the most erudite Craft Mason in the Province of Quebec, distinguished not only for his scholarly attainments, his facile pen, his ready wit, his deep abstruse and logical reasoning, but for his profound and thorough knowledge of the general history of the Craft, its Ritual, its symbolism, and its jurisprudence. In addition to all these things, he is by temperament and culture of extremely liberal views and tendencies, and although now only in the prime of life, yet with his enlarged and practical experience, there appears to have arisen within him such a happy combination of liberalism and conservatism, as point him out for a ruler of, and chieftain among men. His pleasing address, his courteous greeting, with a charm and grace of manner, only add lustre to the many nobler characteristics that adorn his life and character. We could write much more in the same strain, but that every Mason that knows him loves him, and with such facts before us, it is unnecessary to say more.

Bro. J. H. Graham was brought to light in De Witt Clinton Lodge, No. 15, Northfield, Vt., on Nov. 1, 1855, passed Nov. 14, 1855, and raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason on the 28th day of the same month. He subsequently affiliated with St. Francis Lodge, Richmond, P.Q., and served as Worshipful Master for five years, during which time, by his untiring energy and unflagging zeal, a very large accession of membership took