

passed the following motion : — ' In case any member of a lodge has been, is now, or shall be under suspension for non-payment of dues, he shall be re-instated on payment of one year's dues at the then current rate.' " We beg to inform our contemporary, that such a resolution was never passed by the Grand Lodge of Canada. We are fully in sympathy with the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, that allows re-instatement on payment of three years' dues, and consider it would be for the advantage of the Craft in general, if such a law were passed by all Grand Lodges.

On the 20th inst., a Chapter of Instruction will be held in the Masonic Hall, Toronto Street, under the auspices of St. Andrew and St. John's Royal Arch Chapter. The M. M. M. degree will be exemplified by King Solomon's Chapter, the M.E.M. degree by Occident Chapter, and the Royal Arch degree by St. Andrew and St. John's Chapter.

SUPREME Council for Dominion of Canada, A. & A. S. Rite, met in Ottawa, 27th and 28th, October. Commander in Chief, J. W. Murton, 33°, presiding. Some of the far distant Provinces were not represented. The Ottawa lodges entertained the members of Supreme Council at a banquet on the evening of the 27th. The principal speakers were J. W. Murton, I. H. Stearns, O. Babcock, Wm. Gibson, Grand Master Grand Lodge of Canada, W. R. White, Past Grand Master, Col. Fred Massey, Grand Master Grand Lodge of Quebec, and J. J. Mason, Grand Secretary of Canada. The following illustrious brethren were ex-

alted to the dignity of Sovereign Grand Inspectors General, viz : W. Hogan, B. Allen, E. T. Malone and W. F. McWatt. The Honorary degree of 33°, was conferred on W. R. White, Pembroke, and W. B. McArthur, Ottawa. The next place of meeting will be Montreal, in October, 1897.

IN our last issue we raised the question of the desirability of the Masonic Hall Trust making enquiries in regard to securing premises in the new Foresters Temple, that is building in this city. Our hint, we are glad to know, has been taken, and the matter is now under consideration of the Board. As the question of rent, will no doubt, be duly considered, it might be as well, for the information of the brethren, to give them an idea what the different lodges in the city of Detroit, are going to pay in the way of rent, in their new Masonic Temple, that is now nearly completed. *The American Tyler* says :

" The committee have finally got very near to a satisfactory adjustment of the rental to be paid by each one of the bodies occupying the temple, as follows : Each of the Blue Lodges (except Schiller and Friendship), \$550 ; Schiller and Friendship, \$300 ; Monroe and Peninsula Chapters, \$800 each ; King Cyrus Chapter, \$700 ; Monroe Council, \$400 ; Detroit Commandery, \$1,400 ; Damascus Commandery, \$900 ; Michigan Sovereign Consistory, \$5,000. These amounts are simply an estimate, amounting in all to \$15,000, which, it is believed, will be sufficient to pay interest and current expenses ; but should more money be required then, of course, more will be demanded of the bodies. In the meantime an assessment of \$200 has been made on the older Lodges. The estimate above given shows that the Blue Lodges and Chapters pay about double the amount