

and those elected take the title of "Right Eminent."

It would be as well also to give permission for any Province or group of Provinces, having three or more Preceptories in the same, to form a "Grand Preceptory," with an elected R. E. Grand Preceptor as presiding officer, and his other officers to be entitled "Very Eminent."

Of course there will be a number of minor details, but by some such system we could retain our autonomy, and be free from the more modern titles of the neighboring Republic.

ANOTHER INSULT TO CANADIAN MASONS.

We really thought the high tone assumed by the Grand Lodge of England in upholding the outrageous proceedings of St. George's Lodge, No. 440, E.R., in Montreal was quite sufficient to have proved how thoroughly reckless, and regardless, English Masons were of all courteous and fraternal feeling towards their Colonial brethren; but now, the Grand Mark Lodge of England, through its Grand Master, Lord Henniker, has added insult to injury by deliberately invading the territorial jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of Quebec, a Sovereign power with whom she was on the most friendly terms, and had exchanged Grand Representatives.

The Grand Mark Lodge of England, by assuming to appoint a District Grand Master of Mark Masonry for the Province of Quebec, has literally ostracized itself from all bodies of the Rite in the Dominion. The insult is not only to the Grand Chapter of

Quebec, but to every Grand Chapter on this continent that recognised it and exchanged Grand Representatives with it. In England (its home) it has never been formally recognized by the Grand Chapter of that country. The American and Canadian Grand Chapters, on the other hand, gave it in its earlier days their moral support and assisted it in every way, where they saw, or thought they saw, it was endeavoring to organise a Supreme Body under whose supervision they hoped Mark Masonry in the mother-country would progress and prosper. And now, we have this outrageous return for our generous and liberal support.

The Hon. Judge Badgley, in accepting this position, and Lt.-Col. Hutton, Sup. Grand Commander of the Supreme Council Scottish Rite for Canada, in taking a second position to the learned Judge, have proven themselves inimical to the best interests of Freemasonry in Canada. They have no right to hold positions in this country in Mark Masonry under the jurisdiction of England, for by so doing they gratuitously insult every Supreme Body of Royal Arch Masonry on this continent, and show a total disregard of all self-respect and Masonic honor in thus violating the constitution of the Grand Chapter of Quebec in whose territorial jurisdiction they reside.

The attendance of the Grand Bodies at Ottawa next month bids fair to be very large. In all probability a number of our Quebec brethren will also be present, to note the action of the Grand Lodge of Canada *envers* St. George's Lodge, No. 440, E. R., Montreal.