

apply with equal force to Masonry pure and simple as well as to the many rites that are associated with it. Among its remarks is the following:—"An organization that can muster twenty-five to thirty thousand of the most enlightened and influential people at a triennial gathering, at an expense of not less than two millions of dollars, certainly ought to have something practical to exhibit to the world as a result of its labors, above and beyond its ability to execute in a perfect manner the military tactics of its ritual. True, in all parts of the country it has its magnificent asylums, but they only confer a benefit on its membership as a place of meeting, and would be of no use or value were the institution to die. Is it not high time, Sir Knights, to awake out of our sleep of apathy and negligence? Eternity alone will reveal the deeds of love and sacrifice of the modern Templar. But let us combine our talents, our wealth, our labors, in erecting homes for the unfortunate and distressed, the widow and the orphan, colleges for the instruction of the youth, and in many other ways erect monuments, the shadow of which shall be far-reaching and the influence from within which shall be as lasting as eternity."

Bro. John Lane, of Bannercross, Torquay, England, has just published a "Handy Book to the Lists of Lodges from 1723 to 1814," in which is incorporated an appendix and numerous statistics of the most valuable nature. In his preface Bro. Lane says:—"During the last ten years a considerable amount of information—valuable and important—in relation to Lists of Lodges has been brought to light. In

this work it has been my privilege to take part. A few lists have been reproduced at various times, but the particulars which have thus appeared are not now easily accessible; they are, moreover, in many instances, inaccurate and unreliable. These old Lists of Lodges, which have formed one subject of my special study for several years, possess peculiarities and characteristics and supply information not generally known; which ought to be of interest to the Masonic world. It is hoped, therefore, that the following pages—the result of much labor and study—will prove of considerable utility, inasmuch as they contain in a compact form, and concisely and chronologically arranged, an account of the different manuscript, engraved and printed lists that have appeared from 1723 to 1814; Lists that are in numerous cases the only record extant from which the history of many of the oldest lodges can be compiled." This book consists of 200 pages, well printed, neatly bound in boards, blue cloth, and will be sent post free for \$1.85 if ordered direct from Bro. Lane, whose address is given above.

We have received from Bro. W. J. Hughan, of Torquay, Eng., a copy of his latest work, entitled "History of Apollo Lodge, York, in Relation to Craft and Royal Arch Masonry." The work is dedicated by permission to R. W. Bro. the Right Hon. the Earl of Zetland, Prov. G.M. of North and East Yorkshire. The work is divided into five chapters, as follows:—Chapter I.—Freemasonry at York, 1705-1792; the old lodge at York and Grand Lodge of all England; First Modern