

fails to affiliate elsewhere he will lose all masonic rights and privileges. I would suggest, in replying to him, you do no more than state that his demit has been granted and enclose it herewith. You will see the propriety of this, as your letter will probably be shown to the representative of the order to which he prefers to owe his allegiance."—*Pacific Mason.*

HIGH AND LOW TIDES.

There is a vast difference in men, and among men who are Masons, too. With some when you meet them once, they continue to be the same steady Brother and fellow through the years, while with others it is like the rush of the rising waters of the sea (written out on the prairies) all noise and splutter and enthusiasm while the tide is coming in and while all goes their way and while they have the offices and honors. The high tide Mason is never found "enduring all things, hoping all things," he deserts the ship when the pleasure of the occasion wanes for him, he "pulls off" when the tide is low and the strong ties of the Fraternity are as nothing to him when it crosses his own selfish will. The individual who is only active when all goes well is not the safest dependence of the Order, and when such refuse to labor the cause will suffer maybe but will not die.—*Selected.*

Masonry is like the rock in mid-ocean, against which the angry waves have for centuries spent their fury in vain. Yet our ancient and time-hallowed order, conscious, as it were, of the recititude of its intentions, stands as it has stood for centuries, like a beacon-light in the great ocean of humanity, illuminating the pathway of good men in their progress to a higher and better life, while the wild waves of opposition, prejudice, ignorance and bigotry beat against but cannot undermine it.—*Bro "Ex. in Recorder.*

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PLEASANTRIES.

New Girl : "What does your papa like for his breakfast?" Little Mabel : "He always likes 'most anything we hasn't got."

Mrs Shoper : "Why, all these toys are old." Shopkeeper : "Yes, madam; but, then, you know most of the babies are new."

A young society belle of Winchester told one of her gentlemen callers a few evenings since that her health had greatly improved since taking Delsarte. He wisely asked, "Do you take it internally or rub it on?"

Perhaps the most startling suggestion for a "reminder" was that of the little boy whose grandmother had forgotten his Christmas present the year before. She wishes to know what she would do in order that she should not forget it again. "You might put your teeth in upside down, said the boy.

A well-known Massachusetts minister once gave a dinner party, at which a gentleman just elected judge was one of the guests. The pastor's little three-year-old daughter was told that she must behave herself like a lady, as he was a *judge*. So, when he said to her, "You have never seen a judge before, have you?" the little maid replied, "No, Sir; but I have seen a picture of Pilate in my Sunday-school book!"

A gentlemen, wishing to move into the country, looked at a small farm with a view to renting it. The negotiation was nearly completed, when the question of hiring, also, the farmer's cow came up. She was an excellent cow, the farmer said, and, even after feeding her calf would give five quarts of milk a day. "Five quarts a day!" said the city man : "that is more than our whole family could use." Then noticing the calf, following its mother about the pasture, he added : I tell you what I will hire the small cow. I think she's just about our size."