

the necessity of brethren meeting at saloons, or public houses of any kind, to talk over Masonic matters. Surely such a laudable design should commend the club to every Mason in the metropolitan city of the States. It is to be presumed we will not be long in hearing of the formation of a similar club in this country. Politicians are founding clubs in the capital of Ontario, and why not Masons also?

THE ANTI-MASONS have nominated a Mr. J. B. Walker, of Wheaton, Illinois, for the Presidency of the United States. This is no sign of progress, but on the contrary, only serves to show what an impudent set the "Antis" are. They have about as much chance of electing their man as they have of flying to the moon; but then nominating a candidate may attract attention, and they are certainly much in need of something to give them notoriety.

THE *Masonic Journal* is the title of a new periodical, published weekly at Greensboro', North Carolina. The initial number is an excellent one, and in every way worthy the support of the fraternity. The publisher says there are in the South nearly 200,000 Freemasons, and recognizing the imperative need for a regular and permanent organ, the *Journal* has been started to supply the want. We need scarcely add that we wish our newly fledged contemporary all success.

WE are indebted to R. W. Bro. Rev. J. B. Richardson, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, in this city, for a copy of the *Halifax Chronicle*, containing a full account of the laying of the corner-stone of the Masonic Hall, Halifax.

THE Memphis *Jewel* is endeavoring to stir up the brethren of Tennessee to a proper sense of duty, in urging upon them the necessity of completing the Masonic Hall at Memphis, and the establishment of a Masonic Home.

TRAVELLING impostors are quite rife at present in some of the Western States, and they appear to have been very successful in their peregrinations. We are happily free from the pest here.

THE late Bro. Andrew Johnson, ex-President of the United States, who died a short time since, was buried by the Knight's Templars of Tennessee.

THE *Voice of Masonry* denounces the convention of the German Grand Lodge at Darmstadt, for ignoring that important and essential principle of Masonic jurisprudence, which accords to every Grand Lodge "supreme and exclusive jurisdiction within its territorial limits over all matters of Ancient Craft Masonry," by unanimously recognizing as properly constituted, the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Boston, and the (colored) Grand Lodge of Ohio. The *Voice* says this action deserves the unqualified censure of every regularly constituted Grand Lodge.

THE Baroness Burdett Coutts is the first lady who has been present in a Masonic Lodge in England when lodge furniture, as such, was used. It was the occasion of her presenting the lodge with a set of chairs.

BRO. ROB. MORRIS has been lecturing in the Illinois lodges this summer, and has delivered over sixty lectures. The veteran Mason is indefatigable in his efforts to instruct in the principles of the Craft.

A FINE Masonic Hall is being built at Lexington, Missouri.

THE hybrid order is evidently increasing. The mixed bodies have established no less than fifty-two Chapters within six months in Missouri.

A KNIGHT TEMPLAR in Boston has been borrowing an address from Dr. Mackey. At all events the Sir Knight got credit for what was not his own.