

proceedings of the recent Washington centennial celebration by the Grand Lodge of Louisiana.

Past Grand Master Stevenson, of Montreal, attended the gathering of Caledonians in Toronto in the third week in August. He was not attired in Masonic clothing, however, but looked well in tartan, kilt, bonnet, &c.

Masonic Tidings warns the brethren against one McLaughlin who claims to belong to a lodge in Ireland, and who was recently in Madison, Wis. It also intimates that John T. Cline, now in Wisconsin, is unworthy of being accepted as a Mason.

THE CRAFTSMAN tenders its congratulations to R. W. Bro. Rea, of Ottawa, on being appointed to the vacancy on the Board of General Purposes of Grand Lodge, caused by the death of R. W. Bro. Judge Macpherson. This is an appointment where modest merit was fittingly acknowledged.

We thank those brethren who have so promptly responded to the reminders sent them about their subscriptions. Very many have renewed their subscriptions, paying in advance, but there are still a few who owe for last year's issue. Will they remit at once, and thus save us the trouble and annoyance of placing their names on our "dead-beat list."

The Grand Master's suggestion that the brethren should make themselves acquainted with Masonic news, the traditions and teachings of the Craft, etc., was a good one, and is bearing

fruit already, as the Deputy Grand Master has added a Masonic department to his newspaper, wherein may be found a number of extracts and suggestions thoroughly in keeping with the characteristic modesty of that journal.

Bro. John Haigh, of Somerville, Mass., has published a neat little pamphlet on "Constitutions and Consequences," in which he deals out red hot shot to some of those who are carrying on the crusade against Cerneauism. He gives extracts from the "Secret Constitutions" of the A. & A. Rite which show the power possessed by its officers, and the extent to which they can interfere with other grades.

We offer our condolence to Past Grand Master Theo. S. Parvin, of Grand Rapids, Iowa, and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, on the death of his daughter. The deceased, we learn, was as amiable as she was talented, and passed away rejoicing in the hope of a brighter future. She was an invalid for eight years, the result of being thrown from a carriage.

"Sunless homes of widows and orphans have been brightened and gladdened," we are told by the committee who reviewed the Grand Master's address, by the grants from the Benevolent Board. What an ornate way to speak of the blessings derived from a grant of \$20 or \$30 yearly. Perhaps the clause is a specimen of veiled sarcasm, and we are too obtuse to read between the lines!

Judge Preston of the Eighteenth Judicial District of Iowa, on the petition of C. E. Barnes, Burlington, J. C.