

Templar Priest, are appended to his address. The articles referred to are full of information not easily accessible to the Masonic student and we would be glad to copy them here in full did the limits of this report allow.

Frater George H. F. Dartnell, Provincial Prior, appends his name to a very interesting and careful report on Foreign Correspondence.

England is also reviewed, and the reader is told:—

The Great Priory holds regular yearly and half-yearly meetings in London in May and December, and it has Subordinate Preceptories in all of the British Provinces, until, like the "drum-beat" spoken of by Webster, the trumpet of the Warder is heard around the world.

The Vice-Chancellor seems to occupy the position and perform the duties of the Grand Recorder in American Commanderies.

There are many differences in mode of organization and government, in title and rank, in costume and drill, in ceremonials and even in the tenets of the Order and the creeds insisted upon, between the English Knights Templar and those adhering to the American system, but there are also sufficient points of resemblance to show that if the American Knights Templar are not exactly full brothers of the blood with our English relatives, they are at least full cousins.

The conclusion is too excellent to be omitted:—

The central idea in all of the reports we have reviewed and the Templar addresses we have read, is the maintainance of the Christian religion. Through many errors in practice, and "seventy times seven" needs for forgiveness, the Templar Order turns to Christ as its corner stone, the rock upon which all its ceremonies, all its precepts, all its good influences are founded. In this latter day there is no necessity for the believers in the Christian faith to wage bloody war against Paynim hosts, if indeed such warfare were ever sanctioned by the Prince of Peace, and the weapons and military trappings of the modern Templar are useless except as symbols of that moral warfare in which all true Knights Templar are enlisted under solemn vow. Never before was it more necessary for the guardians of the faith to be more watchful and more vigorous than now. The fierce charge of the Saracen six hundred years ago boded no such disaster to the Christian hosts as does the spirit of modern infidelity in its endeavor to uproot the faith which our fathers and mothers exem-