

Masons should display a spirit of opposition to the Order. The secret of this opposition may, I think, be found in the selfish way in which we too often amuse ourselves. If we make them sharers of our pleasures and let them see a little more clearly some of the practical benefits, I suspect opposition would be changed to support, and enthusiasm take the place of doubt."

At the risk of considerably o'er-stepping our allotted space, we reproduce below, Brother Elliott's expression of contemptuous disregard of the ranting of an army of detractors. It is sometimes encouraging to the Masons of Quebec to be thus reminded of the futility of the enemy's attacks, which are nowhere more vicious or virulent than in our own Province, where the intolerance of the majority of the population aims at little less than the social and political ostracism of members of our Order. When by any chance a Freemason is appointed to an office of emolument under the Crown in Quebec, the Government is sure to be violently assailed by the ultramontane press of the entire Province. Of these attacks, Bro. Elliott says :

"The pyramids which stand like lonely sentinels watching for the returning countersign of the myriads whose footsteps shook the world when Rome was a desert and Athens only a hovel, may well regard with profound indifference the hissing of the reptiles which drag their slimy lengths along their base. And so this fraternity, which has survived the malice of bigotry and the persecution of tyrants, never seeking a convert, trying to refuse all but good, but steadily increasing until now its members joining hand to hand circle the globe with the strong grip of a Master Mason, this fraternity need care nothing for the attacks of those who draw their knowledge from ignorance and their facts from fiction."

The Brethren of the Grand Lodge marked their kindly remembrance of and regard for their P. G. M. Cottrill, who is described as slowly wasting away by disease, by resolving to place the sum of \$200 into the hands of his brave and devoted wife, to be used for him by her in such manner as in her own good judgment may seem proper.

Brother Duncan McGregor furnishes an eighty page review of Foreign Correspondence, which, though his first effort in this direction, does him very great credit. It is conveniently arranged, and contains a large number of readable and instructive extracts.

#### QUEBEC-ENGLAND.

Quebec for 1886 is fraternally noticed. Respecting the three recusant Lodges in Montreal, our Brother says: "For sixteen years these three Lodges have held to their English allegiance, *as was guaranteed to them when Canada organized her Grand Lodge.*" The italics are our's. Without further particulars, Bro. McGregor's statement of the case is misleading. The Grand Lodge of Quebec never was, and never could be a party to the so-