

"citizens of the republic.

"It arrogates to itself the right of punishing its members
"for offences unknown to the laws of this or any other nation.

"It requires the concealment of crime, by affording to
"the guilty facilities to escape.

"It affords opportunities for the corrupt and designing
"to form plans against the government, and the lives and
"characters of individuals, etc., etc.

"It blasphemes the name and attempts a personification
"of the great Jehovah.

"It prostitutes the Sacred Scriptures to unholy purposes,
"to subvert its own secular and trifling concerns.

"It weakens the sanction of morality and religion by the
"multiplication of profane oaths and immoral familiarity with
"religious forms and ceremonies.

"It discovers in its ceremonies, an unholy commingling
"of divine truth with injurious human inventions.

"It destroys a veneration for religion and religious or-
"dinances by the profane use of religious forms.

"It substitutes the self-righteousness and ceremonies of
"Masonry for the vital religion and ordinances of the Gospel,
"etc., etc.

"It contracts the sympathies of the human heart for all
"the unfortunate, by confining its charities to its own mem-
"bers, and promotes the interests of a few at the expense of
"the many."

Quoted from LIGHT ON MASONRY, endorsed by Quincy Adams, ex-president of the United States. The champion of British Masonic puritanism acknowledges in his DEVIL WORSHIP IN FRANCE, p. 323, that Masonry, "without being a political society, was an instrument eminently adaptable to the subsurface determination of political movements." The 80 Luminaries, as late as 1890, thought it necessary to have two chapters to clear their craft from the accusations brought against it on the occasion of Morgan's abduction and murder. Their pleading is that of a desperate case, and it would have been wiser to be silent. If Judge LYNCH supercedes to a dangerous extent the legitimate judges of the United States, Masonry as well as the almighty dollar are greatly to be blamed for this dangerous state of affairs in the United States. Indeed, even in Great Britain the fair British justice is slowly but surely losing ground through a few Mason judges.