

MEXICAN MASONIC NOTES.

The Brethren throughout the United States of Mexico and Central America, justly complain of the unwarranted interference of the Grand Orient of France and other European Grand Orients in their Masonic local jurisdictional affairs.

It is indeed time that all the Masonic Grand Jurisdictions of the "old world" should now, once for all, learn the lesson of "hands off" the Masonic Jurisdictions of the "new world, North, Central and South. Let them extend monition, counsel and aid, when required; but let there be no further "invasion or other like interference.

The Brethren on the American continent with the good advice and fraternal co-operation of all true Brethren everywhere, are abundantly capable of managing their own internal affairs. We earnestly advise our good Brethren in all the Mexican, Central American and South American States, &c., as soon as practicable, to unite in forming sovereign and independent Grand Lodges of A. F. & A. M., like those in the United States, the Dominion of Canada, and of Great Britain and Ireland, and thus fully receive the recognition, approbation and fraternal support of the Great Powers of Cosmopolitan Freemasonry.

So-called A. & A. S. Rite Blue Masonry can never receive any but very limited countenance from the Craft universal. It is an anomaly, a fungus, a parasite whose speedy removal is a consummation devoutly to be sought for by all genuine Cosmopolitan Freemasons everywhere.

THE "Boletín Masonico," the official organ of the Supreme Grand Orient of the United States of Mexico, published monthly in the Spanish language, in the City of Mexico, is

admirably "got up," well conducted, and worthy the patronage of the Craft at home and abroad. The symbolic design on the first page of its cover is a beautiful and instructive work of art. The magazine itself is a periodical of great Masonic and literary excellence. Director and proprietor, Ill. Bro. Ermilo G. Canton.

"COMPARISONS are odorous."—Shakespeare.

"WHATSOEVER ye would that others should not do unto you, do ye not unto them."—Confucius.

LIVE for others, is the highest possible conception of fraternal duty, and yet it is perfectly compatible with the supreme self-good.

WE learn from the Fraternity Department of the *Morning Call*, of San Francisco, Cal., that the corner stone of the new City Hall of San Jose, was laid on the 12th ult. with Masonic honors, in the presence of an immense concourse of Masonic and civic notabilities and spectators. A grand banquet followed.

OUR recent brief editorial on "Masonic Culture" has been, with due credit, "going the rounds" in many of our contemporaries. Should it continue on its travels, we should like to have it typographically amended by striking out the words in the last paragraph between "pertains to" and "him."

WE had the pleasure of examining a few days ago the plans and inventory of the furniture of the Masonic Hall recently dedicated in Peterboro'. The rooms are all large, elegantly furnished with every requisite, and equal to the best in the largest cities of the Dominion. The furniture was made by W. Bro. D. Belleghem, the furniture king, and is spoken of as exceeding in elegance and solidity anything ever attempted before in the Province. Societies before placing their orders should communicate with Mr. Belleghem, and if possible see the furniture of the Peterboro' Masonic Hall.