

could and would have been promoted by its continuance. It is time that the Craft, generally, opened their eyes to the fact that it is their duty to support their periodicals, not simply for the personal benefit to be derived from them, but also for the general influence they may exert. The various sects and parties sustain their papers and periodicals as general promoters of the cause to which they are devoted. Were this not so, denominational and political papers would die for want of patronage. *THE CRAFTSMAN* is now the only Masonic periodical in British America. It is well conducted and worthy of very liberal patronage, and we respectfully urge the Craft there never to say of it, "don't want it," "can't afford it," etc. Masonry is esteemed the best of human institutions. If it is, its votaries come far short of performing their duty when they neglect or refuse to support Masonic periodicals or papers."

"*THE Middle Chamber Work*," is the title of a small book by Bro. Simons, of New York, and issued by the Masonic Publishing Company there. It also includes "a symbolism of the Third Degree," by Bro. Woodruff. The little work will doubtless prove of much value. The price is twenty-five cents per copy. Post free.

BRO. MOORE, speaking of the cause of delay in issuing the *Masonic Review*, says:

"Yes, we have omitted to issue the *Review* for a month or two occasionally; but the loss is ours, not our subscribers.' Does the reader wish to know the reason? It was because we could not collect from our subscribers. They have neglected to pay us as they had promised, and we were compelled to wait until we could collect. We regret to have to complain, but we sometimes suspect the charges of anti-Masons are at least half true. Many Masons pay no regard to their masonic covenants, and in so far are utterly unworthy the name of Mason. Grand Masters, Past Grand Masters, Past Deputy Grand Masters, and private members by the hundred, pay no more respect to their promises to us than though they had never made any—no more than would a Chinese, an atheist, or even an anti-Mason! We shall soon make out bills against these delinquents and send them to an officer for collection; and we want it distinctly understood that, hereafter, we want no one of this class of Masons to subscribe for the *Review*. Since we commenced publishing this work, now more than thirty years, we have been cheated, wronged, defrauded, swindled out of more than thirty thousand dollars by this class of pretended Mason. It will be our fault if we are swindled out of any more."

THE Masonic Review has a word to say about the London usurpation. Hear it:

"Acting upon the principle contended for by those in Ohio, who advocate the recognition of clandestine lodges, a "Grand Lodge of Ontario" has been organized within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Canada. But the latter Body stands by the old rule of exclusive jurisdiction, and protests against the claims of this new usurper. If the Grand Lodge of Ohio recognizes the clandestine lodges now claiming recognition, how long will it be before we have two or three Grand Lodges in Ohio? Not long: And then what?"

THE Grand Lodge of Maine has issued the following important notice:

OFFICE OF THE GRAND MASTER,

NORTH ANSON, AUGUST 1ST, 1876.

To the W. Master, Officers and Brethren of the Masonic Lodges in Maine:

Official information has been received that a spurious Grand Lodge has been formed in the Province of Ontario, Canada, of which F. WESTLAKE claims to be Grand Master, and W. W. FITZGERALD, Grand Secretary. At last accounts, no subordinate Lodges had been organized by it;—but it is presumed that there will be, if it has not already been done.

As the *THE GRAND LODGE OF CANADA* has exclusive jurisdiction over the Province of Ontario, no Lodge or individual hailing under this so-called Grand Lodge can be recognized as having any masonic standing in this jurisdiction: and all Brethren will exercise the greatest caution in extending masonic courtesies to any person from the province of Ontario,—first ascertaining that the Lodges to which they belong are under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

IRA BERRY,
Grand Secretary.

ALBERT MOORE,
Grand Master.