

on New Year's day to a Children's Home, gave an entertainment and left one hundred dollars as a "Thank Offering" to Allah for his care during the past year.

Will you not enlist the noble hearted members of your Temple in some such cause, and let the name of the "Shrine" be as sweet perfume in each Oasis? Should some such work be undertaken by you and your fellow Nobles, will you kindly advise me of its nature and its result that I may make report of same to the Imperial Council and to the Order generally?"—*W. B. Melish, I. P.*

A NEED FOR MASONIC DISCIPLINE.

We mentioned last month the un-Masonic actions of some brethren in our city, who are giving to the public press the names of those who are passing through the mysteries of Masonry. This method of advertising has reached the point where patience ceases to be a virtue. Scarcely a meeting of any Masonic body can be held but the candidate finds his name in print the next day. To cap the climax of such methods, a full account, with display headlines, of a Masonic trial appeared in an evening paper. The case in point arising out of a bank failure, created a great amount of ill-feeling, both out and inside of Masonic circles, and the officers of this lodge were endeavoring to handle the case judiciously and in a manner to reflect credit on the Order. It was a time for indignation to hear the newsboys crying out on the streets and hotels: "All about the Masonic trial of——." "The Masons are after the bank wrecker," etc. This news was obtained from a Mason (?). Has it come to pass that there is no Masonic secrecy? Shall the proceedings of our Lodges become public property by the perfidy of some one who claims to be a Mason? It is time that the law was enforced and some one expelled for the good of the order.—*The Masonic Constellation.*

MASONIC HOMES.

The following particulars in regard to Homes was taken from the Grand Lodge Report of Iowa, and will be of much value to our readers who are interested in this subject:

Alabama.—Has no Masonic Home. The subject was discussed in 1892, and a committee appointed, but the committee has not reported, and no further action has been taken.

Arizona.—Has no home. Has a widow's and orphans' fund, with \$3,000 in the treasury.

Arkansas.—Has no home. Hopes are entertained that as soon as the debt on the temple is paid, a home may be established, to be supported from the revenues of the temple.

California.—Has taken action for the establishment of a Masonic Orphans' Home, and has a fund collected of \$60,000.

Colorado.—Has no Home. The women have started an organization, but have not progressed far enough to report any action.

Connecticut.—Has no home. Has what is called the "Masonic Charity Foundation," an organization incorporated under the laws of the State in 1889. Its object is to aid or support aged, indigent, sick or infirm Freemasons and their widows, and to provide for, maintain, and educate their children and orphans. It is also authorized to establish and maintain a home or asylum for such persons. Its funds are raised from voluntary contributions, and it now has a fund of over \$15,000, contributed by the Grand Lodge, Subordinate Lodges, and from individuals for life and annual membership.

Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida.—Have no home, and no steps have been taken towards establishing one.

Georgia.—Has no home.

Illinois.—Has the "Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home," incorporated March 11, 1885, located at No. 447 Carroll avenue, Chicago. It is a private institution, in no way under the control or