

We fraternally greet our friend and brother, Joseph H. Beale, as Masonic editor of *Loomis's Musical and Masonic Journal*, of New Haven, Conn. He is welcome to membership in the corps editorial, and we shall expect him to write as vigorous prose, as we know he has written charming poetry.—*Keystone*.

The Grand Lodge of Scotland has been considering the expediency, not to say duty, of disciplining such members of the Craft in its jurisdiction as display the square and compasses, and other Masonic signs, for the evident purpose of attracting attention to their occupations or business. Nothing has yet come of the movement, but the reform spirit has been evoked, and it is safe to predict that those who seek to advertise their Masonic connection in unbecoming ways, will find ere long, that by so doing, they gain nothing from well informed brethren.

WHICH SHALL IT BE?—The Knights Templar of Baltimore—some of them—have recently been somewhat exercised over the question as to whether a frock or dress coat should be worn on the occasions of Templar parade, etc. The Grand Commander of Maryland seeks to enforce the regulation style of costume, which calls for a frock coat. One of the Baltimore Commanderies prefers a dress coat of a peculiar form, and does not like to give way to superior authority. The Grand Commander is reputed to have issued an order suspending certain officers of the Commandery referred to (Beauseant) from their respective offices. A good deal of unpleasant feeling has been aroused in regard to a question which is of very slight importance.

There existed extenuating reasons in the circumstances for original creation of the Sons of Malta, and some excuse could have been offered for giddy collegians in the invention of such puerile impositions as the

once famous "Alpha Omega" and "H. E. O. T. T.," still we can conceive of no valid reasons, which can be urged in palliation of imposition of objectionable ceremonies upon a credulous member of the Masonic Order, entrapped, while upon a pilgrimage in search of promised light, into quagmires and mantraps by substitution of a will o' the whisp. While no man with a passable knowledge of Arabian customs or history can be caught in the meshes of the "Mystic Shrine," even should he have enjoyed previous experience as a "320 A. A. S. R., or Knight Templar," the fraud in insinuating the connection of this puerility with Craft Masonry, is none the less reprehensible and by some Masons deemed to be positively dishonorable.—*Ex.*

INGELSOIL.—Officers of King Hiram Lodge, No. 37, G. R. C., installed by V. W. Bro. Hugh Kerr. W M, W Bro Wm Thompson; S W, L Chapman; J W, J L Perkins; Treas, W Bro W A Woolson; Sec, R H Revell; S D, Wm Tennant; J D, Geo F Clark; D of C, R W Bro Chas H Slawson; Stewards, O T Wright, Jas A Glass; I G, Henry Wilson; Tyler, Angus McLeod.

KINGSTON.—Officers of Minden Lodge, No. 253, G. R. C., installed 27th Dec. 1882, by R. W. Bro. G. M. Wilkinson, P. D. D. G. M. W M, W Bro W D Gordon; I M P, W Bro J McEwen; S W, W M Drennan; J W, W Newlands; Treas, R W Bro G M Wilkinson; Sec, D A Givens; Chap, Rev R J Craig; S D, A LeRicheux; J D, R A McMahon; D of C, John Bunt; Stewards, L W Shannon, J H Clark; I G, W H Smith; Organist, G W Andrews; Tyler, Edward Ball.

At the R. C. of Orono Lodge, No. 325, G. R. C., held on the 18th ult., W. Bro. A. J. Lockhart, who was about leaving for Manitoba, received a kindly expression of the feelings of his brethren, in the shape of a Past Master's jewel, accompanied with an address. W. Bro. Lockhart replied in an excellent manner. After the meeting the brethren repaired to the hotel, where a large supply of well cooked oysters awaited their consumption, and a very pleasant hour was spent. Our esteemed friend and Bro. carries with him the best wishes of the Craft in Ontario District, in which he has been a thorough and indefatigable worker.