

perchance read this, it is to be hoped they will accept a little good advice. If they are at all sensitive to the feeling of shame, let them avoid the ridicule of strangers by trying to know something; at least enough to prove themselves no cowards, but brethren. Even at the cost of a little time, labor and money, be an intelligent Mason, or abandon an Order that is designed alone for men, worthy of respect for their intelligence and lofty aims.—*Gouley's Freemason.*

A gentleman in Illinois who is personally acquainted with the facts below stated, sends us a report of the following good joke as too good to be lost.

"Professor Blanchard, President of a college and the great anti-masonic apostle, called upon the parents of a lady friend of mine. The husband of the young lady was absent in the city, and the fact that he was a Mason came to the knowledge of the professor. Being requested to lead in the family devotions, he prayed after this manner:

"We pray that the husband may become a better man, who now hides secrets from the wife of his bosom and the mother of his children!" 'H—m—m,' instead of 'amen,' ejaculated that same mother.

And, here comes in the joke, as she told an acquaintance: "I've been married twelve years and never had a child or the ghost of a child."

Rev. Mr. Blanchard used the sacred shield of hospitality, and the sanctity of a family prayer, from behind which to assassinate the character of his absent host, and to insult the feelings of the wife in her presence; but he got no "Amen" to it, and has probably since learned that he made an ass of himself by not knowing the difference between a "wife" and a "mother." Of all the cowards in the world none are so contemptible as those who assassinate the character of absentees through the formality of a prayer.—*Gouley's Freemason.*

JURISPRUDENCE.

QUESTION.—"Can a man be made a Mason in one Lodge, who has been rejected in another without the consent of the Lodge in which he was rejected.

ANSWER.—He can, after the expiry of the constitutional period of twelve months. The Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Canada recognizes the right of a candidate for the privileges of Freemasonry to apply for the same to any Lodge within its jurisdiction, and consequently as soon as the prescribed term has expired he is free to make application again and can avail himself of the constitutional privileges in the same manner as if he had never before applied or been black balled, but is subject to the constitutional regulation in such cases.

QUESTION.—Is a Master Mason bound to wear in Lodge the regulation apron as prescribed in the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Canada, or can he wear any apron he choose?

ANSWER.—All Masons belonging to this jurisdiction are required to wear the regulation apron as prescribed by the Constitution and have no right to wear any other. Visitors are permitted to wear the apron recognized by the jurisdiction from whence they hail.

MARRIED.—At Trinity Church, St. John, N. B., on Saturday, 13th inst., by the Rev. Dr. Coster, Brother Ira Cornwall, Jr., of that city, to Minnie D. Sumner, youngest daughter of the late Brother Edmund A. Price, of New York.