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In the July number of THE CRAFTSMAN it was mentioned that the last edition of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Canada had no index, and regret was expressed at the omission.

A few days ago we received from Bro. D. F. Macwatt, of Barrie, a type-written copy of an index which will certainly prove useful to us, and for which we are exceedingly grateful.

The *Freemason's Chronicle*, London, Eng., in referring to the establishment of a United Grand Lodge in New South Wales, says: "We are sure that in wishing the new Grand Lodge every success we are but expressing the wish of every Mason in this country, who must also feel, with us, that while there is cause for regret at the great Masonic separation which has taken place, it is

more than compensated for by the rejoicings which should follow so forcible an illustration of Masonic Unity."

Now that the elections are over, and the brethren ripe for some new topic, how would it do to intelligently discuss the question to be submitted at the next meeting of the Grand Lodge: "Shall the business of lodges be conducted in the Third Degree?" THE CRAFTSMAN'S views are well known, and it is needless just now to again point out why we are opposed to the change, but it is the duty of all lodges to carefully consider the matter, so that a snap verdict may not be reached, and an unwise change made.

The Constitution provides that the Districts shall be known by name and number, and not by number and name, thus:—Toronto District, No. 13. In the printed proceedings of Grand Lodge there was either a studied attempt made to set the Constitution at defiance or a gross exhibition of ignorance. This is bad enough, but when the regalia provided by Grand Lodge for the D.D.G.M. omits the name of the District, then the only conclusion to be reached is that some under-current is at work to quietly force upon the Craft what Grand Lodge rejected.