

respect the intelligence of our contemporaries, revere their virtues, "and love them because we can't help it." That is, every word, as sincere as if the "coinage" were our own, and is from our inmost soul.

Sir Kt. Carpenter *Vale!* our difficulty has been to refrain from the temptation to make more extended quotations.

Sir Kt. Charles P. Utley, Milwaukee, Grand Recorder.

Sir Kt. Albert V. H. Carpenter, Chairman F. C.

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The adjourned Annual Conclave of this Grand Body was held in Milwaukee, on 20th October, 1880; present: R. E. Sir Kt. John W. Woodhull, Grand Commander; Grand Officers and Representatives from 14 Commanderies.

The Grand Master thus alludes to the Triennial of the Grand Encampment:—

The business transacted by this Grand Body was very meager, and I hardly believe will result in much benefit to the Order. Many things contributed to this state of affairs. First—The building in which the meetings of the Grand Encampment was held was beautiful in design and grand in execution, but the worst place in which to transact business I ever had the honor to sit. Second—The immense number of Sir Knights present, the grand entertainments provided for them by our Chicago Brethren, all tended to detract from the business properly before the Grand Encampment. Third—The extreme hot weather, for which no one was personally responsible, rendered the room in which we met almost unbearable, and all seemed to entertain the opinion that the best thing to do was to retire to some other latitude and quietly await a change of weather.

For these reasons, and some others which might be mentioned, the work of the Grand Encampment was not what it might have been under other and more propitious circumstances. An attempt was made to talk ritual, but it becoming known that those outside the building could distinguish what was said full as well as those inside, it was abandoned.