

that unruly spirit of certain ambitious men, who are unwilling to succumb to the constituted authorities and regulations, if they did not exactly square with their peculiar ideas of Masonry. See, for instance, in New York and Louisiana, the difficulties which were encountered by the regular Grand Lodges.

"Our young brethren should be very careful whom they trust in Masonic matters, for it has been conclusively proven in the history of Masonry everywhere, that, with the least excuse, when occasion serves, Masons have been found ready to perpetrate any rascality in furtherance of their ambitious projects. It has been recently done in Ontario."

THE English Masonic papers continue to hurl their abuse at the Grand Officers of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, and the M. W. Grand Master is now plain "Mr." Johnston, and the venerable Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Col. Isaacson, is "Mr." Isaacson. Such petty, contemptible spite against Colonial Masons is enough to make every colonial mason ashamed of the Mother Grand Lodge of the world. Surely Colonists have some rights and feelings that even "Mr." Woodward and "Mr." Shadwell Clarke might respect. A few English Masons, who "toady" to some English officials, must be supported against the unanimous wish of three thousand Quebec Masons and thirty thousand Canadian Masons. Yes. "Mr." Woodward and "Mr." Shadwell Clarke tell St. George, No. 440, to go on and build up its lodge by accepting black-balled candidates from at home and abroad. This is a nice way to keep up a lodge; but the English *Freemason* defends it, so it must be all right. Time these men are ostracised by the Grand Lodge of Quebec; how can they meet them in the Great Priory and Supreme Grand Council?

We are glad to learn that M. E. Comp. H. L. Robertson, P. G. Z. of the Grand Chapter of Quebec, has entirely recovered from his recent severe illness.

THE GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS.

We are happy to state that we were in error last month as to the actual condition of the subordinate Councils of this Grand Body. Several Councils are now at active labor, and after a slumber of several years, "Labad" has awoke and proposes to hold its own again. "Heraclius," top, is moving, and the St. Thomas Council is assembling and working regularly. We trust this is the commencement of a wave in the right direction. Cryptic Masonry should receive the support of every Royal Arch Mason in this country, and surely when the Grand Master, M. Ill. Bro. John Ross Robertson, is so persevering, and takes such trouble to build up the rite, his officers and members might at least back up his efforts. We would suggest that, as the Grand Council meets this month in Toronto, Adoniram should exemplify the work. This, we believe, would be one of the best means of awakening an interest in the rite.

SOREL.—Officers of Richelieu Lodge, G. R. Q.:—W. Bro. P. A. Morrison, W. M.; W. Bro. E. Montgomery, I. P. M.; W. Bros. D. Dunbar and J. Woodcock, P. M.'s; Bros. J. Fish, S. W.; L. Fosbrook, J. W.; J. Bruneau, Treas.; T. Staveley, Sec.; J. Saxton, S. D.; J. Gilbertson, J. D.; J. Saxton, I. G.; W. Johnson, Tyler.

THE members of Manitoba Lodge at Bondhead want to remove it to Cookstown. It was also proposed to take it somewhere else. One thing is certain, something must be done, if it is to live; at present it is in an almost dormant condition.