

In another column will be found the able lecture by R. W. Bro. Malone, entitled, "An Address on the Worshipful Master." In order to make the work more complete, W. Bro. Clarke has furnished us with a portrait of R. W. Bro. Malone, which we have the pleasure of placing before our readers. R. W. Bro. Malone is well known to the Craft, so that it is not necessary for us to make any comment at the present time. His able address will well repay perusal.

THE THIRD TERM.

In our last issue we took occasion to say that the opinion was gaining ground in the eastern portion of this jurisdiction, that Grand Master Walkem should be given a third term. This statement was sufficient to send an esteemed contemporary into a fit of editorial hysterics. It is really too bad. We are sorry, but our sorrow is mingled with regret and pain, that any journal calling itself masonic should be guilty of such a vile medley of confused metaphors, billingsgate, and bad English, as the following. Here are a few samples such as are calculated not only to bring Masonic Journalism, but Masonry itself, into contempt: "Ingenious person," "marvellous faculty for invention," "a diet of assafoetida and vinegar," "splenetic bile," "impotent platitudes and personalities," "veiled malice," "poisonous kernel," "fraternal knife," "the superlativeness of brotherly affection," "venemous articles," "waspish writer," "alleged Masonic publication," "few buzzers," and "the hide of popular feeling." What the latter quotation means is a mystery, unless it is the spot under the barn which our cotem. seeks when beaten by public opinion. As

Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Walkem, has been of inestimable service to the craft. In the Quebec difficulty he has been a host in himself, and should the brethren see fit to honor him—and would be a fitting honor with a third term in the Grand East might he not reasonably accept it? Is there any reason for not accepting the honor other than that such acceptance might perchance, for a time interfere with the selfish ambitions of some "zealous" brother? Courtesy at least to the Grand Master should have deterred the writer, and those who inspire him, from seeking to pluck the laurels from M. W. Bro. Walkem's brow ere they are placed there. In conclusion, we would add, that words alone do not constitute arguments, neither is billingsgate nor abuse Masonic sentiment. The good sense of the Craft, which can be depended upon, more than partizan writers, will decide whether M. W. Bro. Walkem should be asked to accept a third term or not, and if asked, although M. W. Bro. Walkem has already made great sacrifices for Masonry, that spirit of self-sacrifice might still be depended upon to do more.

THE STRUGGLE BETWEEN THE RITES.

The battle between the rites still goes on in the United States with unabated fury. Here and there the Grand blue lodges are foolish enough to step into the ditch to lend a hand to some struggling friend only to retreat with battered plumage, soiled aprons, and sadly marred prestige. What a blessing it is to live here in Canada a Craft Mason, far from the madding crowd. We may have Jesuitism in Canada, but it flaunts its black robes openly, and does not work its hidden and devious ways in the guise of rites. Brethren cease your senseless strife. Leave the Punch and Judy side shows alone and stick to the square and compass. The day appears to be not very far distant