

thus, there is too much truth in it, for all who know anything about publishing Masonic journals must feel the force of the *Token's* observations.

THE proceedings of the Fourteenth Annual Grand Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars for the State of Georgia, held in May last, at Augusta, have reached us in printed form. The commandery shows a good exhibit.

THE official proceedings of the Eleventh Annual Convocation of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of Missouri, held on the 8th of October, are to hand, for which we have to thank Bro. Gouley, the Grand Recorder. Only a brief reference is made in the Foreign Correspondence Report to the Grand Council of Ontario.

THE experiment of holding literary and musical entertainments in our lodges has been tried, and proved to be a success. An entertainment of the kind was given in the Masonic Hall, in this city last month, under the auspices of Aracia Lodge, and was largely attended. It passed off with the greatest *eclat*, and we presume it will be followed by others this winter.

"For the first time in the history of Peru we notice that the Masonic fraternity were lately allowed to appear in public procession at a funeral. The procession numbered three hundred strong. The Government was severely censured for this act of toleration, but it does not propose to abridge the rights of citizens so long as they do not act in antagonism to the government.—*Exchange*."

We regret to learn that while toleration is shown toward the brethren in Peru, the same thing cannot be said of the West Indies, for we hear that at Porto Rico, an important town in the West India Islands, fourteen Freemasons have been condemned to imprisonment, three to four, and eleven to two years, simply because they belong to the fraternity.

SIR KNIGHT J. Edward Curteis, a member of the Council of Great Priory, England, returns thanks through the *Freemason* to an unknown correspondent, who had forwarded him a copy of the address of the V. H. and E. Sir Knight, Col. Macleod Moore, Grand Prior of Canada, delivered at St. Catharines.

THE *Keystone* and the *Masonic News* have come into collision on the subject of the derivation of the term *Freemason*. The former asserted that "a Freemason is simply a Brother Mason, for both of these names are derived from the French, *Frere Macon*, (literally, Brother Mason), which by merger and elision have become united, forming our present name Freemason;" but the latter disputes the assertion, and devoted three pages of last month's issue to an attempt to prove its position. The *Keystone*, however is not inclined to give up under even such a heavy infliction as three mortal pages of controversial matter, and meets the attack with vigor, apparently demolishing his antagonist, by completely turning the tables upon him, and showing conclusively that he is himself in error while endeavoring to fasten the charge upon the *Keystone*.

THE highest numbered Lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of England is No. 1562. Warrants for twelve new Lodges have been granted during the past three months.