

Our labors are thus kindly noticed:—

"The Correspondence is by Sir Knight G. H. Frewen Dartnell, Past Grand Provincial Prior. It reviews forty-nine Assemblies of 32 Grand Bodies, and clears the docket in a kindly manner, leaving however, amid his many quotations, nothing of his own for us to quote, save in the conclusion one or two summaries. We lament this statement because he might give so much valuable information. But another year, perhaps, with less to quote, we may hear the ring of his clear tones

"One explanation. Maryland queerly had led you to think, Sir Knight, that there was a Grand Commandery in the District of Columbia, whose report you had not received. We, too, noticed this same remark of Sir Knight Adreon, and wondered at it, for there is no Grand Commandery in the District as there ought to be it would seem, for they have more subordinates and members than many Grand Commanderies now existing. Vermont is courteously reviewed for 1879, 1880 and 1881. We accept your criticisms of our review, and as a novice are proud of so much notice and so many quotations by a Superior who ranks as a Professor of much experience and learning."

Under the head of Indiana will be found:—

"It is the Order of the Temple in which we are made Knights Templar, which Order has appending to it the Orders of the Red Cross and the Order of Malta, or St John of Jerusalem. The last is now most frequently given in the Order of the Temple. And the Order would remain if nothing further is done to the proposed Ritual of Malta, and if, as Sir John Simons, of New York, suggests, both Malta and the Red Cross were eliminated (this is not his words, but his meaning). It is the *Order*, on the Ancient Rule, that the greater includes the less. In Canada it is different. There the title is 'United Orders of the Temple and Malta.' But with us it is the Order of Knights Templar."

This anecdote will be found under Nebraska:—

"A man who gave up the increasing prospects of his profession to serve his country in the War of the Rebellion, came home sadly crippled and is obliged to use two crutches. He applied for the Orders, was received, his honorable wounds being considered neither a hindrance nor disgrace, and in due time he became an Eminent Commander. We say all honor to that Commandery which honored itself as it received and honored a brave soldier! Better by far such action

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