

A NEW SCHEME.—The *Masonic Advocate* says, that Tipton Lodge, No. 83, instructed its delegates to introduce into the next Grand Lodge of Indiana this measure:—To sell the Temple, etc., in Indianapolis and invest the proceeds in an "Asylum for Orphans of Masons and aged or decrepit indigent Masons." A copy of the plan was sent out to other Indiana lodges with request for co-operation. The Temple is in debt, and with prospects for an early release from this burden it is thought the lodges will be careful how they engage in another scheme that must entail still further burdens. There is this difference, brethren. The present debt is not absolutely necessary; perhaps the care of orphans and indigent brethren is an obligation that we cannot escape. "The poor ye have always with you." Why not manfully work out of the Temple debt, and contribute one dollar a year each towards the Asylum Fund? How many years would it take to establish the practical charity at—well, to make it even change, say ten cents per month each, for every Mason in Indiana? How small the burden thus distributed! How great the result! Philadelphia is at work in practical charity, why should our good sister Indiana be behind!

KING WILLIAM AND PRINCE BISMARCK IN LODGE.—A brother who has made several trips to Europe, informs us that while at Berlin he visited a lodge of the Rite of Mizraim, in which Emperor William, Bismarck, Von Moltke, Myerman, Gaziena, were sitting, and the Crown Prince of Prussia, presiding. Alas! for these poor deluded "Masons." If they should

visit Cincinnati, they could not get a sight at the splendid work of the Scottish Ritters, unless they renounced Mizraim, although they are of the "Ancient and Accepted."

During the same evening to which our brother refers, the 47° and 48° were conferred by a team of hired workmen "in a style simply sublime." Another innovation, which goes to prove that William is clandestine, and as a Mason—n. g.

The lodge-room is furnished with a stage and appropriate belongings; decorations in tapestry with emblems woven in; about the front of the stage a circular railing of metal, set with precious stones! All at a cost of \$80,000, it is said. Visitors are received with honors. The A. & A. S. R. is worked in Berlin, but not to the same extent as the Mizraim, which is the leading Rite in Europe.—*Mas. Home Journal*.

AN OLD MASON.—Col. W. J. B. MacLeod Moore, Great Prior of Canada, was made a Master Mason in 1827, in Lodge No. 333, Aberdeen, Scotland, at the same time as the late Bro. John Hill Barton, the famous historian of Scotland. Bro. General Sir A. Leck was then W. M. of No. 333. Companion Col. MacLeod Moore was made a Royal Arch Mason in 1831, in Chapter No. 97, Aberdeen.

MISAPPREHENSION.—We are informed that Col. Moore, the Great Prior, has assured a correspondent that our Toronto contemporary has been led into a very grave error in stating that he (the Great Prior) "had fallen out" with Past Grand Master Graham, of Quebec, in reference to the independence of the Great Priory, as the statement is wholly at variance with the facts of the case.