

at the slightest provocation, that the pendulum is now swinging the other way.

We are pleased that the veteran knight gives his opinion upon the manner in which many of the Grand Commanders make up their reports, we can hardly give some of them the dignified name of "address."

We like the way the Grand Commander makes up his address. Instead of sandwiching his official correspondence, general orders and like matters of reference in the body of his address, he attaches them as an appendix, and they do not interfere with or mar the beauty and solidity of the address. It would be a great convenience to reporters if all the Grand Commanders would do likewise.

He states that the Order of Malta has been sadly neglected in their jurisdiction, and its beauties are unknown, and that he knew of only two Commanderies which are prepared to, and which have conferred the order in full form.

In reply to a correspondent on the Armenian and other national affairs, who advocated "shot and shell," he says:

Such sentiments are all right for a citizen, but our dear brother must remember that shot and shell are not the weapons of the Templar. For hundreds of years Masons have denied that they ever interfered with the politics of the country or the affairs of the nation—the charges of "His Holiness" to the contrary notwithstanding—and we do not think the wise and conservative leaders in the Order will at this day change the long-settled policy of the Order. We regret to see our enthusiastic young men fly off at a tangent.

We would like to add to Frater Elgin's remarks a few verses from "The Saga of King Olaf":

"Cross against corslet,
Love against hatred,
Peace-cry for war-cry!
Patience is powerful,
He that o'ercometh
Hath power o'er the nations.

Stronger than steel
Is the sword of the spirit;
Swifter than arrows
The light of the truth is,
Greater than anger
Is love, and subdueth!

The dawn is not distant
Nor is the night starless;
Love is eternal!
God is still God, and
His faith shall not fail us;
Christ is eternal!"

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