

journal has ever had more than a temporary success; not one has ever been permanently established, and there is not, to the best of our belief, one brother who has devoted himself to the literature of Masonry, to the instruction of the brethren, and to the championship of the Institution, who has not poverty for his reward. And yet how different all this might be. If only one brother in ten would feel called by his pride in the Craft to remember the agency by which, more than all others, it has been enabled to resist the attacks of its enemies, and stand before the world as proudly as to-day it does, its power and security would be still further enhanced, and its servants have some brighter visions in the future than that of a pauper's grave.—*New York Dispatch.*

BRIEFLETS.

Church bells—The rector's daughters.

The day laborer must strike for hire wages.

An incalculable weight—The weight of indignation.

A bit of nonsense—One that will not check a horse.

THE portrait of the M. W. the G. M., J. K. Kerr, Esq., has been placed in the blue room of the Masonic Hall, Toronto.

A Free Mason of Bahia recently bestowed freedom upon 60 slaves whom he possessed.

In Brazil Free Masonry has established several Public Schools and free Libraries.

WE regret to learn that the brethren of Clifton, Ont., met with a heavy loss on the 11th inst., through the destruction by fire of the building in which their Lodge Room was located.

THE craft in London, Ont., must be looking up in these hard times, as we learn it is in contemplation to commence at an early day, the erection of a Masonic Temple to cost about \$65,000. May the brethren succeed is our earnest wish.

THE Grand Lodge of Sweeden and Norway has under its jurisdiction five Provincial Lodges, ten Lodges of Saint Andrew, and eighteen symbolic Lodges.

HIS MAJESTY Oscar II. is patron of the Order, and Grand Master; and four Princes Royal hold high offices in the Craft.

Two Masonic papers are published in Egypt, one in Greek, the other in Arabic.

FROM the latest statistics we find that there are in the United States 123,779 Royal Arch Masons belonging to 37 Grand Chapters, and to 2,013 subordinate Chapters.

THE State of Illinois counts 40,000 Master Masons, 10,000 Royal Arch Masons, and 41,000 Knights Templar.

"LA CHAÎNE D'UNION" (Paris) in its number for March speaks in very kind terms of our January issue. We thank Bro. Hubert for his appreciative and fraternal notice of our labors in the common cause.

IN PERU, according to the Reefes of the Supreme Council, it costs 50 Soles to be initiated, 50 more to be passed and raised; 112 Soles to be made Rose Croix. To reach the 32° costs 342 Soles additional, while the 33° costs 500 Soles. The Sole is worth about one dollar in our currency.