

not force your subordinates to render their reports promptly, Most Eminent Grand Chancellor, and let the world know what you are accomplishing?"

A burning question is alluded to thus :—

"It may be remarked that the question of what to do with the various organizations of Masonry and Templarism among coloured men, which now exist and are springing up over the country, is now upon us and must be met. It is a question fraught with many difficulties, and one which evokes bitter discussion in localities. Shall these associations, while daily starting up and strengthening throughout the land, simply continue to be denounced as clandestine; or shall they be healed and made part of the various regular Grand Jurisdictions of the United States and utilized as part of the great and growing body of Freemasonry."

IOWA, 1877.

The Grand Commandery of the State of Iowa met in its fourteenth Annual Conclave in Moore's Hall, in the city of Davenport, on October 4th 1877, Sir Kt. John C. Parish, R. E., Grand Commander.

The remarks of Grand Recorder Parish are worthy of deep reflection, and we commend them to the consideration of those among us who would seek to emulate the display and lavish expenditure of time and money not infrequent among our Freres of the United States.

There is an interesting report on Foreign Correspondence in which Canada, for 1876, has prominent place. The writer agrees with the Grand Prior's views as to public displays, but adds :—

"Our young men can never be brought to so see it, and we do not believe they would be near so enthusiastic were it not for the public display of the Order."

And concludes his notice thus :—

"We have been tempted to quote more fully than we intended from this address, but we know of no Chief whose utterances contain so much of value and interest to one interested in Knighthood as those of Great Prior Moore. In regard to the teachings of the Order and the duties of its members, he is equally eloquent, learned, and sound, but we are compelled, for want of room, to omit further quotations."

The report is a model of a condensed epitome.

IOWA, 1878.

The Grand Commandery of the State of Iowa met in its fifteenth Annual Conclave in the Asylum of St. Aldemar, Commandery No. 80, Marshalltown, on October 7th, 1878, Sir Knight Frank W. Angel, V. E. Deputy Grand Commander, presiding.

This from the Grand Commander's address :—

"It is a fact irreconcilable to my mind, and I cannot understand how any Knight Templar can so far forget the dignity of his profession, and so violate the vows he has taken, as to become guilty of taking the name of