

consistency of the writer leads us to destroy his letter, as he practises himself what he condemns in others.

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The following is from the *South African Freemason*;—We specially welcome THE CANADIAN CRAFTSMAN amongst our exchanges. It has recently passed into the hands of a company, and has changed its *venue* from Port Hope, Ont., to Toronto. It is an extremely readable and well got up Masonic monthly in magazine form, and, a point which we are particularly pleased to observe, is characterized by a notable absence of that flippant and unfraternal style of controversy, which is so painfully evident in some of our American and Colonial exchanges.”

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A brother in Tamworth writes for information, as he feels he is somewhat in the dark. What befogged him was a telegraphic dispatch in a Toronto daily from Bowmanville, giving particulars of a meeting of a Masonic body there. A typographical error in the newspaper made it speak of the G.R.C., when it should have been the G.R.O., or the so-called Masonic Grand Lodge of Ontario. The paragraph may have surprised other brethren, hence this explanation, which was asked, and under other conditions would have been answered, privately.

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The *Masonic Star* views canvassing for office from the human standpoint, and is evidently satisfied to allow humanity to grope along in the dark without offering a word of advice and pointing out wherein it errs. This is its deliverance:—“Where two individuals are put in nomination for the

same office, 'tis not in human nature to avoid the solicitation for support from friends, and so far canvassing is not to be condemned. Indeed the candidate would be extremely foolish if he did not ask for that which he would be glad to receive; and would deserve defeat.”

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If the At Home of Zetland Lodge, Toronto, was a success, it was undeserved. The eagerness with which some of the brethren of that lodge rushed into public print in connection with the entertainment, and indulged in language unbecoming to Masons, to the gratification of non-Masons, was enough to damn anything. For the information of the brethren concerned, who ought to know better, if they do not, we beg leave to notify them that there are Masonic courts where differences should be settled, and these courts are not the columns of daily papers.

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At the recent annual reunion of Scottish Ritters in Hamilton a banquet was held, when it fell to the lot of Ill. Bro. Edward Mitchell, 32°, Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Canada, to propose the toast: “To the loving memory of our brethren in the beautiful land of the dead.” In introducing the toast Bro. Mitchell made touching references to those who had “gone before,” and paid high tributes to their excellencies and virtues. The speech was so appreciated by the illustrious brethren that at their request it has been printed in a neat and appropriate form, a copy of which was furnished THE CRAFTSMAN by Ill. Bro. Hugh Murray, 33°.