

"The field of the reviewer seems to be expanding. It has apparently outgrown the narrow limits that originally permitted a review of all of the Grand Commanderies 'in twenty-two pages.' Suggestion alternates commendation, and criticism and friendly discussion deepen the knowledge and broaden the ideas of the official Templars. If some jurisdiction should run too much to seed a rude awakening may be beneficial. Friendly goading will stimulate the lagging to keep up with the procession. The annual interchange of cordial greeting works great good. Personal friendships, long, lasting and beneficial, are often the result. We know a man by his works; when we meet him, we feel as if we had always known him. Such was our own feeling at the banquet of the Mutuals in Washington last October when we sat in the midst of the wise men there assembled.

"To the Knights of Wyoming we have recommended the thorough reading of all the correspondence in our exchanges. Those who have done so are pleased beyond anticipation at the feast of good things spread forth. Some of the reviews smack of Carlyle, others sonorous with the weight of a Macauley, here, one of smooth and easy-flowing grace like unto Irving, while the unconscious Scotts, Hugos, Lambs and Blackstones abound in plenty. A new review and a new style. All is change, and all is pleasure. You are as much amazed at the literary excellence shown, as you are astounded at the lavish display of Templar lore. Some of these writers dip into the dark ages for illustration with the facility of historians, and hold you under spell of the musty past while they charm you with the learning they impart."

He gives several extracts from our Proceedings of 1889, and says that our Committee have "expressed the genius of modern Templarism and that it is now too late to question present principles and methods, although they may be extended departures from the original landmarks."

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