

THE Chicago *Inter-Ocean* has the following:—At Nanaimo, B. C., the Chinese Freemasons have opened a Lodge and initiated seventeen almond-eyed candidates. Allee samme Melican man."

WE mentioned to Dr. Rob Morris that we were suffering with headache, and he had the poetic effrontery to ask, if it wasn't "an aching void." That's the kind of sympathy an editor gets. However, it wasn't so bad a joke after all. It reminds us of a story of a young man who said, if he did not have sense enough to do a certain thing, he would label his head "For Rent." "Yes, yes," said his father; 'add to the notice, 'Unfurnished.'"—*Ex.*

THE *Freemason's Journal*, New York, publishes the edict issued by the Sovereign Great Priory K. T. of Canada, in full—without comment:—

"The Grand Lodge of Scotland allows a Master two votes—a casting and a personal vote—on questions coming up for decision by appeal. We cannot see how such a proceeding can be justified. We would not deprive the W. M. of a vote. He has a right to it as a member of the Lodge, but two votes is too much. In case of a tie, instead of the W. M. taking another vote, the subject had better be allowed to drop, or considered lost. It can easily come up again in the old shape or in a new dress.

THEY have been *watching* Bro. Theo. S. Parvin up in Dakota—a gold one at that. Bro. Parvin is *solid* with all *hands* in the Northwest corner of this Republic. Come down to Kentucky, Bro. Parvin, and we'll (gold) chain you, and eat you, and treat you—well.—*Mas. Home Journal*. Any one who has ever met our illustrious Bro. Parvin, will always be glad to *watch* him anywhere; and if they listen to him, they are sure to hear something that will benefit them. Canada will always be found among the most willing to welcome and well treat the "fine old man" from Dakota.

ST. OMER COMMANDERY, of Boston, and the Encampments of St. Johns, N. B., which were declared to be clandestine by the Great Priory of Canada, continue to gush over each other. That's all right. A little more of friendly gush among Templars "and the rest of mankind," would make the world happier. It is curious, by the by, how an Encampment in possession of territory, and recognized for years as "lawfully constituted," becomes illegal as soon as it refuses to join others in some grand movement. *O tempora, O mores.*—*Masonic Home Journal*.

CREDIT WHERE DUE.—The brethren who attend lodge meetings are burden-bearers every way; they not only do the work of the lodge, but they are called on to put their hands in their pockets on every occasion. It is this class who give and go at the behest of all and everyone who seek such assistance. For this reason we favor taking money from the treasury to meet demands of charity. Again, we favor the idea of those who do the work of controlling its business. We believe that the members who come only to the "annual meeting" should be cautious and not antagonize the faithful, devoted, to please some restless disturber who has an axe to grind.—*Masonic Journal*.

AN ANCIENT MASONIC MONUMENT.—In the possession of the Italian Government is a monument, recently unearthed in that country, upon which are engraved the square and compass, plumb, level, and twenty-four inch gauge. It also bears an inscription in Latin giving the name of the person to whom it was erected, together with the significant statement that he was a Master Mason. Experts have examined the stone and find that it had remained in the earth for many centuries. It is evidently older than the Italian language, or else this Master Mason must have belonged to the Latin speaking or highest