

There is a decision, against the language and spirit of which, as we interpret the same, we most earnestly protest :

A Mason who seduces the daughter of a non-affiliated Mason is guilty of a violation of his Master's obligation, and should be tried and punished.

> This decision ought to read: A Mason who seduces *anybody's* daughter *must* be tried and expelled.

We agree in the sense of Bro. Blatt's idea that seduction of anybody's daughter by a Mason should be Masonically punished by that Mason's expulsion. But we see no reason for protesting against the form of Bro. Sorrel's decision upon the question as put him. He was not asked about the seduction of *anybody's* daughter, but of that of the daughter of a non-affiliated Mason, and we believe that there is nothing wrong either in the language or spirit of his reply, if we seek not to see it there. In Bro. Blatt's commendation of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire for its action in a case of this kind, we heartily join.

Quebec's proceedings have generous notice, and referring to the appointment of M. W. Bro. Walkem, as mediator in the Quebec-England matter, he says :—

Like nearly all our co-reporters, we have ever sided with Quebec in this matter, and defended the position assumed by her and every one of her acts. We applaud now especially her truly Masonic spirit of forbearance, and hope she may be rewarded by a speedy and successful termination of the existing differences, which were occasioned by just demands on her part for exclusive territorial jurisdiction within the Province.

He does not like our practice of selecting Standing Committees of Grand Lodge by a Nominating Committee, so well as that almost universal one of direct appointment by the Grand Master, who, he says, being elected to govern, should select his advisers and co-workers for the time being. In this respect therefore, we are more democratic than our American Brethren.

We have enjoyed exceedingly the perusal of our Brother's report, and regret that we cannot quote at greater length.

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