

It appears that the Marquis ſent in his reſignation of membership in the Lodge of Truth, No. 521, Huddersfield, that being the lodge in which he was initiated. He has ſince ſubſcribed £25,000 towards the new Catholic College at Kenſington, London. Perverts invariably go to extremes and let their zeal outrun their judgment.

THE PROGRESS OF MASONRY.

It is pleaſing to obſerve, notwithstanding the attempted perſecutions and the ſlanders of its enemies, that Freemasonry continues to make great progress everywhere. In no quarter of the globe is there the ſlighteſt ſymptom of decline in the ſpirit that has been maniſteſt among the brethren of the Craft. Even amid the wilds of this continent, where the aborigine holds almoſt undisputed ſway, and the march of civilization is but ſlow, Maſonry has reared its temples. We have before us a copy of the *Oklamhoma Star*, publiſhed at Caddo, Choctaw Nation, which contains an intereſting account of the eſtabliſhment of a Grand Lodge there. The *Star* ſays, in ſpeaking of thoſe preſent :

"There were men, natives, born and raiſed in the Indian country, who might well grace the parlors of the moſt refined. There was Judge George W. Stidham, a Creek Indian, on whom is placed the unmiſtakable ſtamp of 'Nature's Nobleman.' There was William L. Byrd, than whom a more refined and perfect gentleman could not be found in any country. And there too was the Rev. Allen Wright, Ex-Gov. of the Choctaw Nation, in whoſe veins flows none but the pure blood of the Native American, and whoſe naturally ſtrong mind is well-ſtored with deep claſſical lore. Foremoſt among the repreſentatives of the white race, citizens and miſſionaries of the territory, ſtood Rev. H. F. Buckner and Rev. C. M. Slover. Mr. Buckner has had the degree of D. D. conferred upon him by the Baylor University, (Texas); an honor and diſtinction of which any might well be proud. Mr. Slover is an old and diſtinguiſhed Maſon, and a worthy pioneer miniſter of the Methodist church. There were many whoſe ſterling integrity and Maſonic zeal might juſtly claim notice at our hands, but, for want of ſpace, we muſt deſiſt."

The *Star* continues :

"The following liſt of officers of the Grand Lodge of the Indian Territory were duly inſtalled by P. M. William L. Byrd: G. McPherson, Grand Maſter; C. M. Slover, Deputy Grand Maſter; J. B. Jones, Grand Lecturer; M. J. B. Young, Grand Orator; W. L. Byrd, Grand S. W.; Auguſtus Hopping, Grand J. W.; George W. Stidham, Grand Treasuſer; R. P. Jones, Grand Secretary; H. F. Buckner, Grand Chaplain; W. A. Welch, Grand Maſhal; Wm. Ainsworth, Grand S. D.; James Sutton, Grand J. D.; C. C. Belcher, Grand S. S.; John Barnwell, Grand J. S.; Wiley Stewart, Grand Pur.; C. M. Beck, Grand Tyler.

The Grand Lodge was then opened, and after tranſacting all regular buſineſs, cloſed in ample form, to meet the firſt Tueſday in September, 1875, at Euſaula, Creek Nation.

Maſonry, under whoſe wing of love and frienſhip men of all political and religious creeds can meet, is deſtined to produce a fraternal feeling in this country: nothing elſe can. And having a Grand home centre from which to radiate, its power is greatly inereased. Thus a new era dawns upon the HOME OF THE RED MAN."

We ſee that a Maſonic High School is in full operation at Caddo.

INDIA AND NEW ZEALAND.

India is doing much in the way of Maſonic progress, and already has a number of lodges. We learn that

"At an emergency meeting of Neptune Lodge, No. 22, London, on October 8th, Mr. Hajeebhoy Hormasjee Shroff, member of Bombay (India) Corporation, was made a Maſon.

Forest Lodge was conſecrated and the firſt Maſter inſtalled on June 24th, at Wakefield. The London *Freemason* ſays :

"To ſhow how our young colonies are advancing, we are credibly informed that but a few years ſince, the inn whereat this ceremony was performed was but a road-side ſhanty, ſtanding in the confines of dense buſh and ſwamp; now it is an hotel