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THE SAFED MASSACRE.

BY STEPHEN BERRY.

Enter, good pilgrim, the night draws near,
Our castle shall give you goodly cheer.
But come you late from the Holy Land,
And how does the battle at Acre stand?

Lady, the Beuscaunt, sore beset,
Floats o'er the ramparts of Acre yet;
But a deadly massacre late befell
That shall make all Europe sound a knell.

The cross, with the setting sun, went down,
And the Moslem swarmed in Safed town;
The Templars gave up the citadel,
Trusting the faith of an infidel;
For the Mameluke had sworn an oath
To spare all Christians, but broke his troth,
And the tidings came when morn was nigh
That each must trample the cross or die.
Fifteen hundred Templar Knights,
Heroes, all, of a hundred fights;
They had looked on Death as afield they rode,
But never so grimly as now he showed.
The stoutest may quail to meet his doom
At home, in the hush of the darkened room,
Or in battle, when sword and helmet ring,
But death at the block is a fearsome thing.
The stern Preceptor among them stood
Like a sturdy oak in a swaying wood,
While two bold monks of St. Francis prayed
And called on the Holy Saint to aid.
These three ceased not for the cross to strive
Though the morning would see them flayed alive.
When the first cock crowed the task was done
And the Knights were resolved to die, save one.

Save one, good pilgrim, who was he
That gave up faith and his chivalry?

Lady, I know not his christened name—
As Effrez Lyoub he is known to fame.

When Hermon's mountain tipped with gold
Flashed back the sun, and his coming told,
And the cry of the Paynim filled the air
Calling the faithful to morning prayer,
On the brow of Safed's hill there stood
Those fifteen hundred Templars good.
"Shout," said Bendoedar, "the Moslem cry,
La-l-la-Allah, or dogs, ye die!"
Silent was every knight but one—
Cimeters flashed in the morning sun;
Each Knight kneels down upon the sod,
Crossing his brow, and prays to God,
While over each a Moslem stands
With naked cimeter in his hands.

"La-l-la-Allah," Bendoedar cried,
"Strike!" and the ground with their blood was dyed;

It leaped from their veins like a rushing brook
And flowed past the feet of the Mameluke,
While the good Preceptor and brethren twain
Prayed to sweet Mary's son again.

Spared? not an hour did they survive—
Beaten with clubs and flayed alive.

And the wretch of whom Satan got control,
Who sold his honor and lost his soul?

Lady, remember life is sweet
And shines most brightly when moments fleet;
He thought of his native woods again,

The flowing river, the smiling plain,
His gray old castle upon the hill,
The patient woman, who waited still,
His widowed mother; her only joy
Tidings to hear from her darling boy;
And he thought, she shall not childless be—
He came, a pilgrim—and I am he!

He kneels at the feet of the gentle dame,
He kisses her hands, he speaks her name;
The lady looks at his pictured sire
Who frowns from the wall with noble ire,
And weeps, while the words fall one by one,
Alas! I would thou hadst died, my son.

[Bendoedar, the fourth Mameluke Sultan of Egypt, proved the most formidable enemy of the Templars since the days of Saladin. He captured Jerusalem and overran the whole country to the gates of Acre. During the winter of 1265 he besieged the town and fortress of Safed, which capitulated on condition that the Christians should be transported in safety to Acre. Breaking faith, he prescribed the alternative of the Koran or death. One only embraced the Mohammedan faith, and fifteen hundred heads rolled at the feet of Bendoedar, while the Preceptor and Monks of St. Francis were flayed alive.]

MASONRY IN MAINE.

ANNUAL MEETINGS.

GRAND LODGE.

The Grand Lodge met at Masonic Hall, in this city, at nine A. M., May 24, the Grand Master, Albert Moore, of North Anson, presiding.

The committee on credentials reported 150 lodges represented out of 174. Of the seven Past Grand Masters living, four were present, the eldest being the venerable Reuel Washburn, of Livermore.

The morning session was taken up with the annual address of the Grand Master, the reports of the Grand Officers and the reception of papers.

The following officers were elected:

Albert Moore, of North Anson, Grand Master.

Edward P. Burnham, of Saco, Deputy Grand Master.

Charles I. Collamore, of Bangor, Senior Grand Warden.

A. M. Wetherbee, of Warren, Junior Grand Warden.

Moses Dodge, of Portland, Grand Treasurer.

Ira Berry, Portland, Grand Secretary.

Oliver Gerrish, H. H. Dickey, B. F. Andrews, Committee on Finance.

W. R. G. Estes, W. E. Crawford, Trustees of Charity Fund.

The Grand Lodge then called off until 9 A. M., Wednesday.

All of Wednesday, morning and afternoon, was devoted to the exemplification of the three degrees by Portland Lodge of Instruction, under the direction of Grand Lecturer Murray.

Thursday Morning.—The Grand Lodge met at 9 o'clock.

Charters were granted to
Ancient Brothers Lodge, Auburn.
Hiram Lodge, Cape Elizabeth.
Yorkshire Lodge, North Berwick.
Rising Star Lodge, Penobscot.

A dispensation was granted for a new lodge at Livermore Falls to be called Reuel Washburn Lodge.

The name of Fisher Lodge was changed to Parian Lodge.

The Grand officers were installed, the following appointments being made:

D. D. GRAND MASTERS. DISTRICT.

Henry F. Collins, Houlton,	1
E. Howard Vose, Calais,	2
Henry R. Taylor, Machias,	3
James T. Cushman, Ellsworth,	4
Daniel Dolloff, Jr., Dexter,	5
Manly G. Trask, Bangor,	6
John H. Gordon, Brooks,	7
Wm. A. Pendleton, Northport,	8
Clark D. Smalley, Rockland,	9
Almore Kennedy, Waldoboro,	10
Geo. P. Haskell, Augusta,	11
Chas. H. Alden, Waterville,	12
Simon S. Brown, Fairfield,	13
Frank E. Sleeper, Sabattis,	14
F. I. Day, Lewiston,	15
Diman B. Perry, Mechanic Falls,	16
Geo. E. Taylor, Portland,	17
Samuel G. Davis, Denmark,	18
John S. Derby, Saco,	19

Grand Chaplains—Rev. C. C. Mason, Kent's Hill, C. C. Vinal, Kennebunk, Wm. E. Gibbs, Portland, J. R. Bowler, Rockland, L. P. French, Solon, Chas. A. Curtis, Augusta.

Joseph M. Hayes, Bath, Corresponding Grand Secretary.

B. F. Andrews, Portland, Grand Marshal.

Augustus Bailey, Gardiner, S. G. Deacon.

A. B. Marston, Bangor, J. G. Deacon.

Grand Stewards—R. E. Paine, Camden;

S. J. Chadbourne, EastDixmont; Austin F. Kingsley, East Machias; Chas. E. Weld, West Buxton.

H. H. Burbank, Alfred, G. Sword Bearer.

M. F. King, Portland, G. Standard Bearer.

Grand Pursuivants—W. R. G. Estes, Skowhegan; Levi W. Smith, Vinalhaven.

T. J. Murray, Portland, G. Lecturer.

C. O. Files, Portland, Grand Organist.

Warren Phillips, Portland, Grand Tyler.

The question of contributing to the completion of the Washington Monument was referred to subordinate lodges.

The new Grand Lodges of Dakota, Indian Territory, Manitoba and Prince Edward Island were recognized.

At 12:30 the Grand Lodge closed.

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER.

The Grand Chapter met at seven o'clock Tuesday evening, May 24, Henry L. Paine, Grand High Priest, presiding. Thirty-three out of thirty-nine Chapters were represented.

The following officers were elected unanimously:

Henry L. Paine, of Portland, Grand High Priest.

A. B. Marston, Bangor, Deputy Grand High Priest.

Joseph M. Hayes, Bath, Grand King.

Francis T. Faulkner, Turner, Gr. Scribe.

R. H. Hinkley, Portland, Grand Treasurer.

Ira Berry, Portland, Grand Secretary.

J. H. Drummond, Oliver Gerrish, Nathan Woodbury, Committee of Finance.

Wednesday, May 3d, met at nine A. M.

Charters were granted to Turner Chapter, at Turner, Atlantic Chapter at Vinalhaven, and Ezra B. French Chapter, at Damariscotta.

The Grand Officers were installed, the following appointments being made.

Wm. D. Aymar, Eastport, District Deputy 5th District.

Charles W. Haney, Belfast, District Deputy 6th District.

Revs. C. C. Mason, Kent's Hill, Chas. C. Vinal, Kennebunk, Chas. P. Nash, Rockland, Chas. A. Curtis, Augusta, Grand Chaplains.

Joseph A. Locke, Portland, Grand C. H.

James M. Nevens, Bucksport, Grand P. S.

Samuel W. Lane, Augusta, Grand R. A. C.

Manly G. Trask, Bangor, Grand M. 3d V.

Edward W. Morton, Kennebunk, Grand M. 2d V.

John O. Shaw, Bath, Grand M. 1st V.

R. E. Paine, Camden, Bryce M. Hight, Skowhegan, Bernard I. Weeks, Rockland, and Geo. H. Wakefield, South Berwick, Grand Stewards.

Timothy J. Murray, Portland, Grand Lecturer.

Warren Phillips, Portland, Grand Sentinel.

At 11:30 the Grand Chapter closed.

GRAND COUNCIL.

The Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters met at two o'clock, Wednesday, May 3d, Grand Master Sumner H. Boynton, presiding. Ten out of twelve Councils were represented. The following officers were elected:

Sumner H. Boynton, Rockland, Grand Master.

Fessenden I. Day, Lewiston, Deputy Grand Master.

William Tucker, Skowhegan, Grand P. C. W.

Charles Fobes, Portland, Grand Treasurer.

Ira Berry, Portland, Grand Recorder.

Rev. W. E. Gibbs, Portland, Grand Chaplain.

Charles N. Bates, Brunswick, Grand M. of Cer.

C. C. Hayes, Portland, Grand C. of G.

John S. Derby, Saco, Grand Conductor.

A. W. Larrabee, Lewiston, Grand Steward.

Warren Phillips, Portland, Grand Sentinel.

The officers were installed and the Grand Council was closed.

GRAND COMMANDERY.

The Gr. Commandery of Knights Templar met at seven o'clock, Wednesday evening, Grand Commander S. C. Gordon presiding. The following officers were elected:

Seth C. Gordon, Portland, Grand Commander.

Augustus B. Farnham, Bangor, Deputy G. Commander.

R. W. Black, Augusta, Grand Generalissimo.

Chas. M. Rice, Portland, Grand Captain General.

W. E. Gibbs, Portland, Grand Prelate.

Chas. Fobes, Portland, Grand Treasurer.

Ira Berry, Portland, Grand Recorder.

Orrin S. Fogg, Portland, Grand Senior Warden.

John Bird, Rockland, Grand Junior Warden.

John O. Shaw, Bath, Grand Standard Bearer.

A. L. McFadden, Waterville, Gr. Warder.

Chas. P. Emery, Biddeford, Grand Sword Bearer.

Warren Phillips, Portland, Grand Captain of Guards.

The Grand Commandery was closed.

ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD.

The following officers were elected:

Oliver Gerrish, President.

J. H. Drummond, Senior Vice President.

Joseph C. Stevens, Junior Vice President.

Moses Dodge, Treasurer.

Stephen Berry, Recorder.

M. F. King, Master of Ceremonies.

H. H. Burbank, Conductor.

Wm. J. Burnham, Chaplain.

Levi A. Gray, Steward.

Samuel W. Lane, Warden.

Lodge Elections.

Webster, 164, Webster. Edwin H. Johnson, m; James F. Heney, sw; Retiah D. Jones, jw; Stetson L. Hill, sec.

Ancient York, 155, Lisbon Falls. George W. Coombs, m; Samuel J. White, jw; Wm. S. Colton, Jr., sw; George B. Shorey, sec.

St. Croix, 46, Calais. E. H. Vose, m; Alexander Milligan, sw; C. A. McCollough, jw; S. D. Morrell, sec.

Day Spring, 107, West Newfield. Charles F. Goodwin, m; Frank Chillis, sw; George H. Straw, jw; Stephen Adams, sec.

Timothy Chase, 126, Belfast. George A. Quimby, m; Andrew E. Clark, sw; J. C. Townsend, jw; Robert P. Chase, sec.

Phoenix, 24, Belfast. Charles T. Richards, m; Everett S. Carter, sw; J. C. Cates, Jr., jw; Russell G. Dyer, sec.

Mount Desert, 140, Mount Desert. Thaddeus S. Somes, m; W. W. Richardson, sw; Edwin C. Parker, jw; Lyman H. Somes, sec.

Lincoln, 3, Wiscasset. Edwin Farnham, m; James W. Savage, sw; Jos. W. Taggart, jw; Fred W. Sewall, sec.

Tranquil, 29, Auburn. George C. Wing, m; John B. Jordan, sw; H. D. Donovan, jw; James F. Atwood, sec.

Rising Virtue, 10, Bangor. Clarence L. Dakin, m; Wm. H. Thompson, sw; Charles York, jw; Charles I. Collamore, sec.

Siloam, 92, Fairfield. Josiah F. Foye, m; T. B. Brown, sw; Charles E. Ward, jw; W. P. Farnsworth, sec.

Rockland, 79, Rockland. Edwin T. G. Rawson, m; Henry E. Hutchinson, sw; Jos. Ham, jw; Edgar A. Burpee, sec.

Hancock, 4, Castine. George A. Wheeler, m; Edward F. Davies, sw; John Collins, jw; Isaiah L. Shepherd, sec.

Meridian Splendor, 49, Newport. Nelson C. Smith, m; J. S. Sargent, sw; King Gurney, jw; Hollis J. Rowe, sec.

Narraguagus, 88, Cherryfield. E. C. Wakefield, m; E. R. Wingate, sw; Lycurgus Waggatt, jw; George A. Herrick, sec.

Mount Tire'm, 132, Waterford. Alfred S. Kimball, m; Charles L. Wilson, sw; David P. Bisbee, jw; Sylvanus W. Cobb, sec.

Meridian, 25, Newport. P. E. Dinsmore, m;

C. E. Vickery, sw; G. H. Hunter, jw; W. L. Parks, sec.

Dresden, 103, Dresden. Oscar Mayers, m; Woodbury F. Mayers, sw; Washington F. Libby, jw; Edward H. Barker, sec.

Eggemoggin, 128, Sedgwick. Hiram B. Harding, m; Freeman G. Higgins, sw; James P. Byard, jw; Eben B. Smith, sec.

Eastern Frontier, 112, Fort Fairfield. Samuel E. Jewett, m; Charles W. Johnston, sw; Enoch Ginn, jw; J. F. Hacker, sec.

Hermon, 32, Gardiner. Sanford W. Siphers, m; Chas. H. Dunton, sw; Charles H. Small, jw; Henry S. Webster, sec.

Bethel, 97, Bethel. Eben S. Kilborn, m; Albert W. Grover, sw; Jarvis C. Billings, jw; Leander T. Barker, sec.

Trinity, 180, Presque Isle. J. F. Dyer, m; Arthur E. Wight, sw; James F. Barto, jw; A. H. DeWitt, sec.

Kenduskeag, 137, Kenduskeag. Llewellyn J. Blanchard, m; Charles H. Sleeper, sw; W. A. Lewis, jw; Crosby Clements, sec.

Drummond, 118, North Parsonsfield. Almon O. Smart, m; Ruthven J. Dearborn, sw; John Neal, jw; W. Scott Young, sec.

Mariners', 68, Searsport. D. S. Simpson, m; A. M. Dutch, sw; J. A. Clement, jw; Russell G. Dyer, sec.

Unity, 58, Freedom. Joseph C. Whitney, m; Addison B. Sparrow, sw; William L. Busher, jw; Wm. F. White, sec.

Eureka, 84, Vinalhaven. Whitney Long, m; P. P. Robinson, sw; Enoch R. Clark, jw; Horace F. Marshall, sec.

Jefferson, 100, Bryant's Pond. Rufus K. Dunham, m; Horace C. Berry, sw; Orlando C. Houghton, jw; Albert C. Bolster, sec.

Lookout, 131, Cutler. Alex. D. Ross, m; Silas E. Turner, sw; Otis Ackley, jw; Alden Z. Cates, sec.

Palestine, 176, Biddeford. Charles P. Emery, m; Henry C. Cole, sw; Charles A. Moody, jw; John Etchells, sec.

Pownal, 119, Stockton. Samuel H. West, m; Edward Partridge, sw; Simon B. Littlefield, jw; Warren F. Griffin, sec.

Buxton, 115, West Buxton. Cyril P. Harmon, m; Wm. H. Smith, sw; Willis Crockett, jw; James Meserve, sec.

Crooked River, 152, Bolster's Mills. Isaac S. Skillings, m; Oscar V. Edwards, sw; Wm. H. Tenney, jw; Alpheus B. Lovewell, sec.

Olive Branch, 124, Charleston. J. H. Leason, m; George W. Dunning, sw; Jos. Ellis, jw; Oscar L. Smith, sec.

Ocean, 142, Wells. Chas. H. West, m; Owen M. Davis, sw; Josiah L. Parsons, jw; George G. Hatch, sec.

St. Paul's, 82, Rockport. Joseph F. Morton, m; Andrew J. Morton, sw; William F. Hopkins, jw; John S. Fuller, sec.

Acacia, 121, Durham. Charles W. Harding, m; Elbridge O. Tyler, sw; J. H. Davis, jw; Alfred Lunt, sec.

Naskeag, 171, Brooklin. Warren Wells, m; George B. Flye, sw; Isaac Mayo, jw; George R. Allen, sec.

Somerset, 34, Skowhegan. George W. Nash, m; Warren F. Bacon, sw; Charles F. Haynes, jw; Charles M. Lambert, sec.

Bristol, 74, Bristol. James H. Varney, m; Henry C. Huston, sw; Samuel W. Johnson, jw; Wait K. Weston, sec.

Whitney, 167, Canton. Otis Hayford, m; James Ripley, sw; Alpheus Packard, jw; John G. Pierce, sec.

Anchor, 158, South Bristol. Everett Burnham, m; Stephen H. Farrar, sw; Charles E. Foster, jw; George C. Farrar, sec.

Esoteric, 159, Ellsworth. James A. Mc-

Gown, m; Arthur W Greely, sw; William F Emerson, jw; Edward F Robinson, sec.

Ashlar, 105, Lewiston. Webster W Sanborn, m; George H Benson, sw; Fred B Sands, jw; John Winn, sec.

Chapter Elections.

New Jerusalem, 3, Wiscasset. James M Knight, hp; Seth Patterson, k; Edwin Farnham, s; Joseph W Taggart, sec.

Stevens, 28, Newport. J F Collett, hp; F M Shaw, k; Dennison Walker, s; Hollis J Rowe, sec.

Cumberland, 35, Yarmouth. George F Tabor, hp; Herman Seabury, k; Edward Davis, s; James M Bates, sec.

Corinthian, 7, Belfast. George E Wight, hp; N F Houston, k; James F Fernald, s; Russell G Dyer, sec.

Aurora, 22, Cornish. Horace A Pike, hp; Preston Durgin, k; Andrew J Hurd, s; Roscoe G Smith, sec.

Commandery Elections.

Blanquefort, 13, Portland. Wm P Preble, com; Henry L Paine, gen; Wm O Fox, cg; Geo W Deering, sec.

New Halls.

DEXTER. The masons in Dexter have got a new and elegant hall in the Savings Bank Block, upon the site of the Dexter House, a three story brick block with a Mansard roof, 50x50 feet. The exterior of the building is fire-proof. The lodge room is 30x48 feet, and sixteen feet high, neatly frescoed. The furniture cost \$1,600. There is also a large banquet hall and the necessary side rooms.

The Freemasons of Belfast have purchased 5,000 feet of land for a new masonic block on the corner of Main and High streets, paying \$7,500.

Amity Lodge, No. 6, of Camden, chartered March 10, 1801, celebrated its seventy-fifth anniversary with a historic address by T. R. Simonton.

MASONIC.—The masons of Cape Elizabeth having organized their new lodge, quite a party of the fraternity of this city went over last night to attend their first meeting. They carried with them and presented on behalf of the city lodges, a set of collars and jewels, and the visitors also presented on their own behalf an elegant ivory gavel, all of which were received and acknowledged by the Master, Gordon R. Garden, with much pleasure, as an evidence of the fraternal feeling which exists in the city lodges towards their neighbors of the Cape. The new hall, which is in the Town Hall building, is commodious and elegantly frescoed and furnished, and the prosperity of Hiram Lodge seems well assured. [*Press, January 26th.*]

OBSEQUIES OF REV. GEORGE BATES.—It has been a long time since so impressive and solemn a scene has been witnessed in this vicinity as that of the obsequies of the late Rev. George Bates at High street Universalist church, in Auburn. The venerable Judge Washburn, his locks white with years, one of the oldest masons in Maine, was very appropriately placed in charge of the interesting masonic service. The church was crowded. The devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Messrs. Snow, DePew, French and Gage. The funeral discourse was pronounced by Rev. W. A. Drew, of Augusta, who entered the ministry of the Universalist denomination at about the same

time as the deceased—more than half a century ago. Mr. Drew chose as his text the words of Paul, "I have fought a good fight," etc. The discourse was an appreciative and discriminating review of the life of Mr. Bates. It seems that by pre-arrangement, if Mr. Bates died first, Mr. Drew was to preach his funeral discourse, and vice versa. At the close of Mr. Drew's discourse the venerable mason, Judge Washburn, arose, gavel in one hand and in the other the scroll; and with all the enthusiasm of youth, gave in his adhesion to the masonic virtues which the deceased patriarch had illustrated.

In this grey-haired masonic Aaron, everybody by instinct attested an order and fitness as exact as that of patriarchal times.

The fraternity escorted the remains to the late residence of the deceased, where services were conducted by Rev. D. T. Stevens. The remains were then removed to Turner, where they were to be interred by the members of Nezinscot Lodge. [*Lewiston Journal, January 28th.*]

The masonic reunion at the hall of Tranquil Lodge, in Auburn last evening, was a very interesting occasion. Dr. Harlow opened the exercises with an interesting and enthusiastic address on behalf of masonry. There was a feast of song by such singers as Mr. Crafts, Mr. Dinsmore, Mrs. Wiggin, Miss Thorne—singing which convinced everybody that we have no reason to allow our home choruses to sing to empty houses (which we trust will never happen in the future). A fine turkey supper was served, of which the large number partook in no dyspeptic frame. Rev. Mr. Mariner having got a foothold where he could be seen as well as heard, made a happy speech. Social life was at its happiest and everybody present seemed to think that masonry in practice as well as in theory is worth having in the town. [*Lewiston Journal, January 28th.*]

RELIEF ASSOCIATIONS.—Ford & Perry, Portland, have resumed the publication of the *Relief Oracle*, No. 1 commencing in February. Price 25 cents per year, monthly.

The *Portland Masonic Relief Association* now numbers 548 members, with \$3,472.43 in the treasury March 22. The list of members will be found in the *Relief Oracle*.

The *Masons' Mutual Relief Association*, at Mechanic Falls, now numbers 323 members and is in good condition. It has had no deaths since its organization. They receive applications from any part of the State, and would be pleased to have brethren in any lodge interest themselves to get them a list of members in their towns.

If each association in the State will send to the *Token* a statement of its condition, quarterly, just before its publication day, it will be published.

A Masonic Relief Association has recently been organized in Searsport, under the direction of the members of Mariners' Lodge of F. A. M.

AN OLD BOWL.—A beautiful punch-bowl was lately presented to the Masonic Lodge of Nantucket, Mass., and the reason why it was not presented long ago is worth telling. Once upon a time in the year of light A. L. 5800, answering among the initiated to A. D. 1800, a worthy gentleman took the degrees at the aforesaid lodge in Nantucket, and thereupon went to China. There he had made a beautiful punch-bowl of superb China ware, with the generous purpose of making it a gift to his lodge. His directions were to put on the

bowl a suitable inscription, names, dates, and all. Now the "Chinee" workmen did their prettiest; the beautiful thing came home, inscription and all, but behold! the word Lodge was spelled "Loge!" The generous man was mortified. He laid the bowl aside, and lived and died in Nantucket, making no sign with that bowl. He had a son born, and he too became a member of this very Lodge, and when the half-century anniversary of his membership came to pass, he presented the old bowl to the lodge.

VENTILATION.—The improved ventilation of the Portland Masonic halls no doubt struck all who attended Grand Lodge this year. They were originally intended to be ventilated by openings placed near the floor; but what architects do not know about ventilation is a treasury of knowledge, and the foul air obstinately refused to go up that way. During the past year Bro. W. L. Pennell has placed ventilators in the ceilings over the chandeliers, and made openings at each end of the hall to admit fresh air. The result was plenty of pure air when the hall was packed full. Draughts cannot be avoided, in using this plan, but the only alternative seems to be to pump in heated air at the top, and to draw out the foul air at the bottom with a steam engine, which is too expensive for masonic halls.

LIST OF SUBSCRIBERS.—Our appeal in January was instantly acknowledged by the receipt of lists from Bro. A. J. Durgin, Orono, Bro. Llewellyn A. Wadsworth, Hiram, J. S. Fuller, of Rockport, W. R. G. Estes, of Skowhegan, H. W. Blake, of La Grange, Bro. W. H. Pennell, Cape Elizabeth, Bro. J. W. Whitten, Master of Evening Star Lodge, Buckfield, I. L. Shepherd, Castine, Edward Farnham, Master of Lincoln Lodge, Peter Williams, North Vassalboro, Geo. W. Smith, Mattawankeag, Rev. B. P. Parker, No. Berwick, W. W. Washburn, China, S. F. Sargent, Norway, E. Howard Vose, Calais, P. O. Cannell, Naples, and A. W. Larrabee, Auburn.

PORTLAND AND VICINITY, by Edward H. Elwell, Portland, Loring, Short & Harmon and W. S. Jones. An elegant octavo of 148 pages on heavy tinted paper, with 150 fine illustrations from sketches by John B. Hudson, Jr. It is valuable as a description of the city in the centennial year. If such a volume could have been published each ten years in the past, they would have afforded the material for an almost perfect history; but the sketch of Clay Cove in 1632, with Cleaves and Tucker building the first log hut, although we have excellent authority for believing that Hudson did not draw it from nature, is sufficiently probable to suggest why such a publication was not practicable in the earlier days of the city. In the future we may expect it as often as that. It will be sent by mail, post paid, for two dollars.

A Grand Commandery has been constituted in Colorado, with Henry Moore Teller, of Central, as Grand Commander.

PUBLICATIONS

SENT POST-PAID ON RECEIPT OF PRICE.

History of 1-10-29 Me. Regt. , by Maj. J. M. Gould, 720 pp. octavo; illustrated with cuts, and plans of Battle-fields and portraits of officers, cloth.....	\$5.00
Memorial of Lieut. Fred. H. Beecher , 48 pp. quarto; tinted paper, gilt edge; cloth, \$2.00.	
Grand Lodge of Maine , vol. 1, Reprint, 1820 to 1847, inclusive, (a few copies only.) In sheets.....	\$3.20
Bound in 1/2 roan.....	4.50
Vol. 6, Proceedings for the years 1867, '68 and '69, in sheets.....	\$2.25
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Vol. 7, 1870 to 1872, in sheets.....	\$2.25
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Grand Chapter of Florida , Reprint 1861 and 1862, in paper.....	1.00

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COLORLED LODGES.—This question is exciting so much interest that many questions are asked the *Token* in regard to it, which we will attempt to answer at once.

I. Was Colored Masonry ever legal?

Yes. An Irish Army Lodge of General Gage's army gave the degrees at Castle Williams, Boston, March 6, 1775, to Prince Hall and several other colored men, and, after meeting as a lodge without authority for several years, they received a charter from the Grand Lodge of England in 1787. This lodge was illegitimate according to our present ideas of Grand Lodge jurisdiction, as a Grand Lodge had existed in Massachusetts since 1777, but jurisdiction was not regulated at that time.

II. When did it lose all claim to regularity?

In 1813, when it was struck from the registry of the Grand Lodge of England. The lodge was dormant about that time, and when it revived itself and acted as a Grand Lodge, without authority from either England or

Massachusetts, it placed itself outside the pale of recognition.

III. Would it not be better to heal and recognize the lodges now?

No. It is like reforming prodigal sons, too big a job, and cheaper to begin over again.

IV. What shall be done with the question?

Leave it to the lodges.

V. What is the condition of Negro Masonry now?

It has some very intelligent and estimable members, but its *personnel* is necessarily much below the standard of our lodges in manners, morals and education.

VI. What will be its future if not recognized?

It will go on improving rapidly, as will the race now that it is free; many will join white lodges, and in time the barriers will be so slight, that they can be removed.

VII. If it is to come in the future, does not justice to a wronged race demand that we do it now?

Masonry, like kissing, goes by favor, and no one has any claims upon it until he is inside. The very slender thread of claim which connects us with African Masonry, through that very careless Army Lodge of 1775, cannot hold much against the three-fold cords which unite us to our Southern brethren.

VIII. Will a colored member, when received, be permitted to also meet in his old lodge and practice clandestine masonry with them?

The legislation of the future must answer that.

IX. If our lodges send out colored members who are undeniably gentlemen, will not the Southern lodges be obliged to admit them?

No. "You may put the cart before the horse but you cannot make him eat it."

ANTI-MASONIC PAPER.—J. H. H. Woodward of Cincinnati, proposes to start a weekly Anti-Masonic paper in this, the Centennial year, as he remarks, to avenge the blood of the murdered Morgan. He proposes to raise a political party to extirpate masonry. He will not war, he says, upon Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Red Men and other secret societies, to the same extent that he does upon Masonry, as they are "only donkeys and beasts of burthen to the Masonic Fraternity." All this is dependent upon his getting subscribers enough to support the paper, which is not an assured thing, as that stripe of reformers are not the kind of people who are ready to place a pecuniary value upon their convictions.

KNIGHTS OF RED CROSS OF CONSTANTINE.

—At the Convention held in New York last June to organize a Sovereign Grand Council for the United States, Maine was represented by Marquis F. King of Portland. Albert G. Goodall of New York was chosen Grand Master; Calvin L. Stowell of Pennsylvania, Deputy Grand Master; D. Burnham Tracy

of Michigan, Viceroy; Jonathan J. French of Illinois, Grand Register General; and J. H. Drummond of Maine, Grand Chancellor (9th officer). The next meeting will be in New York June 7th.

NEW GRAND LODGE.—A Convention of Delegates from five lodges met at Elk Point, Dakota, June 22, 1875, organized a Grand Lodge for Dakota Territory, adopted a Constitution and By-Laws, and elected officers.

On the 21st of July, the Convention met according to adjournment, at Vermillion, when the officers were installed.

Thomas H. Brown, of Sioux Falls, Grand Master; Mark W. Bailey, of Canton, Grand Secretary.

WIDOW STILES visited Athens, Tenn., in January, and in February made her annual tour eastward. She is a tall, thin, sharp-featured, dark-eyed, dark-haired woman, quick of speech and nervous. She has changed her name this time and had a *KEYSTONE* to match the newly-deceased, whose relatives she was on her way to find, in Ohio. She claimed to have come directly from Halifax by sea, but as she was reported in advance at Vassalboro', eighty miles inland, where she was aided by the lodge, her story was doubted. She went hence to Gorham and Alfred, where she was aided, and thence towards the setting sun. She has two children: one a black-haired, pale-faced boy of seventeen, the other a short, stout, rosy-cheeked girl of seven, with light hair and blue eyes. It probably costs the fraternity over \$3,000 a year to support this family.

STOPPED.—With the end of Vol. II, the *New England Freemason* closed its publication. It was an excellent magazine and we shall regret to lose it, but Bro. Nickerson has labored as long as the fraternity has a right to expect of one man, and somebody else must hold the bear; so we will say to him Well done, and the Genius of Masonry will shade her eyes, look across the old Bay State and cry "Next!"

THE KEYSTONE issues a very pretty masonic almanac to its patrons. Among other things it contains David Barker's poem "The Sign of Distress," which it is to be wished might have his name attached. The *Keystone* will probably send this almanac to all who may apply, provided they enclose also a year's subscription, which is of itself a judicious thing to do, as masonry will be lively this year in the Centennial City of B. L.

PAPER MASONRY.—A Philadelphia brother writes the *Token*, objecting to the Maine regulation requiring the exhibition of a certificate of membership or diploma before examination. He says that they laugh at him "out West," when he offers to show a certificate. The theory is good that every mason should be received who can prove himself such on examination, but the existence of lodges in America, which are not recognized on account

of questions of Grand Lodge jurisdiction, and the fact that some men have received degrees in illegal lodges, makes it absolutely necessary that some precaution should be taken against them. It is not a new thing, either. Dr. Mackay has shown that certificates are as old as masonry, and the regular mason cannot reasonably object to the slight inconvenience of carrying with him the evidence which is so necessary to the protection of the fraternity against imposture. Prudence is as strongly inculcated as justice in the first degree.

MASONRY IN BUSINESS.—A valued correspondent in Chicago writes us enclosing an article from the *New York Dispatch*, objecting to the use of masonic pledges in business transactions, and hopes that the *Token* will take ground against the Illinois decision, that lodges shall not take cognizance of legal difficulties unless the charges shall clearly specify fraud. It has been an old custom in this State to appoint committees composed of old and experienced members, to whom business difficulties between members can be mutually referred, and no objection to such reference appears when both parties agree to submit to it; but when either party objects and there is no clear evidence of direct fraud, the law courts can decide the case better, and it seems wiser for the fraternity to keep such disturbing elements out of the lodges. Business men may differ about their legal rights and not be morally wrong. Many suits are amicably submitted to the courts in order to definitely settle the right, and the lodge does not help masonry or morality by expelling or suspending a mason for a business transaction in which he believes that he has acted honestly.

The Memphis *Jewel* states that the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Arkansas, were destroyed by fire, together with those of the Grand Chapter and Grand Council. We have received both the Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter Proceedings since the fire, and suppose Bro. Barber has re-printed them.

The Grand Lodge of Arkansas has passed an edict, that masons of twenty years' affiliation shall be inscribed on rolls of honor in their lodges and be exempt from dues.

[For Masonic Token.]

At the Annual Festival of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution in London for Aged Freemasons and Widows of Freemasons, February 9, 1876, there was a collection after dinner amounting to over nine thousand pounds sterling. This is a fair exhibit of our ancient and honorable Order in the largest city in the world. A fine-looking set of brave men and brothers, with hearts as big as bushels—the Londoners are.

"For Charity I'll prodigally spend myself,
And speak away my spirit into air;
For her I'll melt my brain into invention,
Coin new conceits, and hang my richest words
As polished jewels in her bounteous ears."

R. G. S.

Bro. Jacob Norton says COWAN is a slang word used by Scotch masons to signify an interloper.

THE GAVEL.—The Keystone has a fine and scholarly editorial on the gavel, tracing its symbolism to the hammer of Thor, and quoting this verse from Longfellow:—

"O'er his drinking-horn the sign
He made of the cross divine,
As he drank and said his prayers;
But the Berserks, evermore,
Made the sign of the hammer of Thor
Over theirs."

It may be interesting to know that the sign of the hammer of Thor is made by uniting four hammers into a cross, thus—



and it is sometimes found as a mason mark on stones in old buildings.

THE MAINE GENEALOGIST for March, gives a valuable list of contents on Maine subjects. Do not omit to send in your subscription to Bro. Wm. B. Lapham, Augusta, \$1.50 per year.

She was a lady lecturer, and had been to the Queen City lecturing on "Humbugs," notwithstanding which, she took up two seats in a crowded car and refused to give up the spare one to people who were obliged to stand. If her precepts failed to teach, her conduct served to illustrate the utter fallacy of any one trying to appear kindly and generous without ceasing to be hoggish.

MEMORANDA.—Don't say arch-i-tect, but ark-i-tect; arch is correct by itself, but the c becomes hard in architect.

Try to say Sec-re-tary and not Sec-er-tary; but this is more difficult and requires great force of character.

Peter's Musical Monthly, by J. L. Peters, 599 Broadway, N. Y.; \$3 per year. Each number contains 32 pp. of new and excellent music, and is therefore worth the year's subscription.

A two-penny order styling itself the "Knights of Malta," or "Black Knights," and pretending to deduce its origin from the Knights of Malta of old, advertises its meetings in this city, and prints its history (which is a sheer fabrication) in the columns of a daily paper. Brethren should not allow themselves to connect themselves with it upon the belief that there is anything masonic in it, either in itself or its connections, for there is not. [Phila. Keystone.]

THE OLDEST MASON.—GENESEE, ILL., April 14.—The Masonic Fraternity gave a reception this afternoon in honor of Peter Hammond, the centenarian. Mr. Hammond is undoubtedly the oldest mason in this country, having joined the Order in 1799. As a token of their regard for their honored brother, the Society, through Hon. Charles Dunham, presented the centenarian with a magnificent gold-headed cane. It bore the following inscription: "Peter Hammond, from Stewart Lodge, No. 92, A. F. and A. M., on his 100th birthday, April 9, 1876. Born, 1776. Made a Mason 1799."

CONTRIBUTIONS TO PORTLAND MASONIC LIBRARY.—Stephen Berry—Keystone, vol. 8, lacking nos. 9, 13, 33 and 37.

Masonic Tidings, parts of vols. 9 and 10; Voice of Masonry, vols. 12 and 13, imperfect; Hebrew Leader, vol. 25, imperfect; Masonic Advocate, vol. 7, 8; Tablet, vol. 2, nos. 1-7.

Kentucky Freemason, first half vol. 6; Freemasons' Repository, vols. 3, and 4; Jewel, vol. 4, lacking 1 and 2; vol. 5.

THE ANTIQUITY OF MASONRY.—Thus also of the decorations known as the egg and tongue moldings. The tools of the ancient Egyptian artisans have been found, and resemble in shape those in use at this day. The mallet and the wedge were found in the Pyramids, and Burton also found one in a tomb, with a basket of drills, chisels, bows, etc., that had lain there perhaps twenty centuries before Cambyse invaded Egypt.

The working dress of the Egyptian mason of the old times consisted of the apron, similar to what it now is; judging from the paintings yet extant, this, with a pair of sandals, constituted his entire working dress in hot weather.

My knowledge of Egyptian lore does not enable me to affirm with confidence the inference which may strike some of my readers; but it is singular that several of the numerous Egyptian kings, whose statues have been preserved, wear the apron without their royal robes. In the list of Egyptian antiquities in the British Museum, published by Sharpe, No. 61 is the statue of the King Pthamen Miotph, son of Rameses 2d, whose date is about 1120 B. C., whose only clothing is a short apron; this figure is given, ch. 2, sect. 46, in the history of Egypt by the same author. A cast from his tomb also shows him wearing a similar apron. No. 26, of the same list, is the statue of King Oimeneptah, 2d, wearing no clothing but sandals and the apron. A cast from his tomb, also in the museum, shows the apron under a transparent gauze robe. Elsewhere I have seen drawings of two royal figures at the portal of some temple or tomb wearing the apron alone; but I do not recall the place where they are found. As everything of this sort was symbolic in Egypt, we may speculate, whether the apron so worn without the usual royal robes, by a king, the head of the priestly caste, did not indicate an initiation, undescribed by antiquarians, into the arcanæ of the sacred sculptors, draughtsmen and masons who pertained to this caste.*

The method of work has remained much the same; the Egyptian broached work was as perfect as it is now. The chisel draft on the cyclopean stones in the Temple foundations at Jerusalem is just as on a dressed stone of to-day.

Another class of proofs of descent are found in the mystic designs of the old masters, carved on their slabs or constructed in their edifices, which are still in use. Layard, the explorer of the ruins of Nineveh and Babylon, was astonished to find the figure known as the Greek honeysuckle perfectly designed and used there; thence it passed into the architecture of ancient Greece, thence into Western Europe, and through modern church architecture to the present. It is of common use now, in its identical original form, both in Protestant and Catholic churches. What a proof of the tenacity with which the conventional clings in the Craft, where Zoroastrian, Chaldean, Pagan and Christian temples, in a succession of twenty-six hundred years, inherit and transmit the same mystic symbols alike to innovators and successors.

*NOTE.—The royal apron, described by Wilkinson as being part of the royal dress, bears a striking similarity to the style of apron worn by Grand Masters. From his description it was worn as the Grand Master wears his.

[Address to Grand Lodge of Mass. by Chas. Levi Woodbury.]

[From the Augusta Age, 1832.]

SPRING.

BY IRA BERRY.

Hark! 'tis the blue-bird's sprightly note; how blithely does he sing.
Sweet bird, the earliest voice is thine, to hail returning Spring:
And true to thy prophetic song, in all her charms arrayed,

Warm from the glowing southern climes where long—too long—she stayed,
She comes, o'er our less sunny realm to re-assume her reign:
Delight and Beauty, hand in hand, trip smiling in her train;
Around her breezes softly play, the sky is bright above,
And all the universe seems filled with sympathy and love.

The mighty Sea's majestic waves in anger roll no more,
But gently bow their crested heads to kiss the pebbled shore;
The frosty-bosomed Lakes, that long the Sun in vain had wooed,
Dissolve in tenderness at length, by generous warmth subdued;
The Rivers, that with icy arms embraced the imprisoned isles,
Relax their rigid features now, and dimple into smiles:
The Brooks leap laughing from the hills, like some delighted boy,
Or through the meadows playful run, and murmur forth their joy.

The Snow that held the land in thrall, in floods of grief expires;
Stern Winter sees his reign is o'er, and sullenly retires,—
And, watching his departing steps, 'tis beautiful to see

The timid buds peep gaily out from every shrub and tree.
The glorious Sun looks down, benign, upon the frost-chilled earth,
As he would warm and smile a new creation into birth;
And quick, beneath his genial ray, the freshening verdure starts,
As kindness wins affection forth from pure and trusting hearts.

The Cowslip and the Violet their modest leaves unfold,—
The Dandelion strews the glebe with specks of living gold;
The spirit of the parted year is rising from its tomb,
And bursting forth in countless forms of loveliness and bloom.
O! who can look around, nor feel each impulse of his soul
Ascend in gratitude to Him who bids the seasons roll,—
Whose power with beauty decks the field, with verdure clothes the sod?
Sure, *he who studies Nature's book, MUST WORSHIP NATURE'S GOD.*

RIVERSIDE LIBRARY, Donnelley, Lloyd & Co., Chicago.

30. Miss Muloch's Sermons out of Church. Mail, 12 c.

31-32. Paul Massie, by Justin McCarthy, 25 cents.

33. Travels and Adventures, 12 c.

34. Queen of Connaught, 12 c.

35. Halves, by James Payn, 12 c.

36. Hugh Melton, by Katharine King, 12 c.

37. Owen Gwynne's Great Work, by Lady Augusta Noel, 12 c.

38. The New Magdalen, by Wilkie Collins, 12 c.

39. Cast up by the Sea, by Sir Samuel Baker, 12 c.

40. The Mysterious Island, by Jules Verne, 12 c.

THE ANTI-SECRET SOCIETY PETITION, presented by Senator Cameron of Wisconsin, to the United States Senate, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary, was as follows:

We, the undersigned citizens of the United States, believing (in the words of Daniel Webster) "that all secret associations, the members of which take upon themselves extraordinary obligations to one another and are bound together by secret oaths, are natu-

rally sources of jealousy and just alarm to others, are especially unfavorable to harmony and mutual confidence among men living together under popular institutions, and are dangerous to the general cause of civil liberty and good government," respectfully ask your honorable body to withdraw the charter given by Congress, in April, 1864, to the Masonic Hall Association of the District of Columbia.

We further petition that it be made unlawful to appoint to official positions under the government of the United States, persons who are under and acknowledge the binding character of oaths administered by secret organizations.

Also, that in United States Courts, in all cases, criminal or civil, the right of peremptory challenge of jurors who are members of any secret society shall be granted to all parties in litigation.

And that membership in any secret society by the presiding officer of a court shall be held to be a sufficient reason for change of venue whenever demanded.

The following order has been transmitted to Maine Commanderies by Grand Commander Gordon:

GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLARS UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND MASTER, }
Washington, D. C., Dec. 8, 1875. }

GENERAL ORDER, No. 1.

1. The Knights Templar of this country will participate in an organized manner, in the celebration of the first centenary of our existence as a nation.

2. There will be a Grand Assembly of the members of this Order, in the city of Philadelphia, commencing on the thirtieth day of May, A. D. 1876, A. O. 758, and continuing for three days.

3. To this Assembly all the Knights Templar throughout the world are courteously, fraternally and cordially invited.

4. The Grand Commanderies of the several States and the Subordinate Commanderies of our own immediate jurisdiction are especially urged to make the celebration worthy of the great occasion and of our illustrious Order.

5. The arrangements of the Assembly will be under the charge of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania.

By order of

JAMES HOPKINS, *Grand Master.*
Attest, T. S. PARVIN, *Grand Recorder.*

HOW GEN. BUTLER GAINED ADMISSION.—Some years since, when the bill to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts was on its final passage, it was opposed by a member from the western part of the State, on the ground that, as a charitable association, the private corporation law was sufficient. General Butler replied to him, that he was an humble member of the fraternity, and gave a strong argument in support of its principles, and in advocacy of the bill. As he sat down, Mr. O——, of Suffolk, arose, a man of sharp tongue and pungent wit, who said that his Brother from Middlesex had surprised him by admitting that he was a member of the masonic fraternity, as he had always supposed that virtue and integrity were pre-requisites to admission to its mysteries. Now, inasmuch as he himself had once been blackballed by a lodge to which he had applied, and his brother had got in, he should believe that admission no longer depended on personal worth, but personal beauty. This was a point-blank shot, but the General made no reply, though he buried his face amid his papers, while the Senate chamber rang with laughter. [*New England Freeman.*]

The feeling is becoming general among the Craft that the occasions for masonic parade and display should be reduced to a minimum. Secret societies of every name and character are springing up with marvelous rapidity, the members of which seem to delight to display their ceremonies in public as often as opportunity can be made; but let not the Masonic Fraternity partake of this spirit. On the contrary let it avoid publicity except in the discharge of such duty and work as are positively enjoined. So will it preserve its true character and attain the best prosperity. [Keystone.]

OUR THANKS TO

John A. Harris, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge and Gr. Chapter of New Hampshire for 1875.

J. H. Drummond, for proc. Convention for organizing a Sov. Gr. Council of Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine for the United States, held in New York, June 1, 1875; proc. Supreme Council N. M. J., 1875; Tableau of same.

Luke E. Barber, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge Arkansas, Oct. 1875; Gr. Chapter, 1875.

Odell S. Long, Gr. Sec., for proc. Grand Lodge of West Virginia, 1875.

Wm. B. Langridge, G. Rec., for proc. Gr. Chapter, Gr. Commandery and Gr. Council Iowa, Oct. 1875.

T. S. Parvin, for a copy of an admirable address delivered at Keokuk, Oct. 21, before the Grand Chapter and Grand Commandery. It contains a fine picture of himself, which it is pleasant to have.

Edwin Baker, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge Rhode Island, May, 1875.

Dr. A. F. do Amaral, for Boletim do Grande Oriente Unido a Supremo Conselho do Brazil, Abril a Agosto, 1875.

Jno. F. Burrill, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge Illinois, 1875.

Charles Inglesby, Gr. Sec., for proc. Grand Lodge South Carolina, 1875.

T. M. Reed, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge Washington Territory, 1875.

Chas. H. Titus, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge Massachusetts, 1875; Quarterly do., March, 1876.

J. E. Hilgard, Asst. Supt. U. S. Coast Survey, for Report, 1872; Smithsonian Report, 1874.

Z. H. Thomas, Jr., Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Chapter Massachusetts, 1875.

DeWitt C. Dawkins, Gr. Sec., extract from proc. Gr. Lodge of Florida, 1876, giving reports in relation to Colored Grand Lodges.

J. L. Power, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Chapter Mississippi, 1876; Gr. Council, 1876.

John W. Woodhull, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Chapter Wisconsin, 1876; Gr. Council, 1876.

Christopher G. Fox, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Chapter New York, 1876.

Daniel Sayre, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge Alabama, 1875, Gr. Chapter, 1875, Gr. Council, 1875.

G. B. Noble, Gr. Rec., for proc. Gr. Council Michigan, 1876.

Wm. P. Innes, Gr. Sec., for proc. Grand Chapter Michigan, 1876.

John Haigh, Gr. Rec., for proc. Gr. Council Massachusetts, 1875.

THE WORLD'S ALMANAC is received for 1876, full of statistics.

The *Chaine d'Union* de Paris for January and February have reached us.

MR. MASON'S MASONIC ADDRESS.—The Eastern Examiner of January 26, says of the masonic address delivered in Gardiner by Rev. C. C. Mason, "it would have been neat and appropriate but for the bitter tone which he assumed toward opponents of the craft."

But let us review the sayings then and there uttered, and see where, and what the "bitter tone" means—it surely could not have been the language, but rather some particular inflection of the voice, which may have fallen upon Examiner's ear differently than upon others. But of all the words spoken at that time, here are the only ones against the opponents of the order—

"There are parts of our work where I would admit the most fastidious lady among the fair ones of this audience with the assurance that she would be delighted and instructed—there are other points to which I would be happy to invite, if I could, the attention and investigation of the most puritanical, scrupulous deacon, or minister, of any of our churches. None but churls and bigots who, through false religious sentiments, have mutilated the image of God in their souls, emasculated their spirits, and made eunuchs of their affections, will oppose or neglect fraternity. It is part of the science of masonry, which enables human counsel to beget and give birth to wisdom." * * *

"To-day the watchmen are upon its walls, they tell the towers thereof, and mark well her bulwarks; glad voices resound along the high-columned porches, and through the courts, quite up to the sanctum sanctorum: all's well. Through all the wide range from the watch-towers, there can be seen only here and there an enemy of this time-honored institution. I did think to speak their names, but perhaps all they desire is notoriety, so I will pass them in silent contempt, except the most formidable, and yet least to be feared, the old man of the Vatican, leaning upon a fast decaying temporal power, hurling with an impotent right hand, ecclesiastical bulls and vindictive anathemas" * * *

"but we have no fear from outside foes; our great danger is from within; no one can hurt us so much as we can hurt ourselves" * * *

The speaker was more severe upon some special faults of his own brethren, exhorting them to conduce to the honor and prosperity of masonry by adhering strictly to the principles thereof. [Kennebec Journal.]

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DIED.

In Fort Wayne, Indiana, January 11, Mrs. Sarah Emery, wife of Capt. Chas. Emery, aged 41 years.

In Santa Barbara, Cal., Feb. 9th, Geo. W. Beal, aged 50 years. He was formerly Assistant Superintendent at the Portland Company Works, and was a member of Lodge and Chapter in Portland.

In Trenton, N. J., March 10, Martha K., wife of Dr. Thomas J. Corson, aged 49.

In Skowhegan, April 7th, Col. Eben H. Neil, aged 80. He had been a Freemason 52 years.

In Hebron, April 19th, Dr. C. K. Packard, formerly assistant surgeon of the Tenth Maine.

In Portland, April 23, James Freeman, aged 57. He had been a prominent man in Lodge, Chapter, Commandery and Scottish Rite, was highly esteemed by all, and his funeral with masonic services 25th was largely attended.

Our Masonic Exchanges.

Canadian Masonic News, Rev. E. M. Myers, box 103, Montreal; 32 pp. octavo; Monthly; \$2.

Masonic Journal, Greensboro, N. C., by A. Wilson. 8 p. weekly; \$2.

The Square, Masonic Publishing Co., 626 Broadway, New York. Monthly, \$1.

Evening Chronicle, Philadelphia. Masonic department. Democratic Daily. \$6.

Voice of Masonry, J. W. Brown, Chicago. Monthly, octavo, 80 pp., \$2.50 per year.

The Keystone, weekly, Box 1503, Philadelphia. \$3 per year.

The Hebrew Leader, Weekly. 196 Broadway, N. Y. \$5. Masonic department.

The Craftsman, Hamilton, Ont., J. J. Mason. Monthly, octavo, \$1.50.

Masonic Advocate, Indianapolis, Ind., Martin H. Rice, Grand Master, Editor and proprietor. Monthly, \$1.25, 16 quarto pp.

Freemasons' Repository, Ferrin & Hammond, Providence, R. I. Monthly \$1.

Masonic Jewel, A. J. Wheeler, Memphis, Tenn. 24 quarto pp., monthly, \$1.

Loomis' Musical and Masonic Journal, New Haven, Conn. Monthly, 20 quarto pages, of which four are new music, \$1.

Suspension Bridge Journal. John Ransom, Suspension Bridge, Niagara, N. Y. Masonic Department. Weekly, \$2.00.

Masonic Review, Cincinnati, Ohio, Cornelius Moore. 68 pp. octavo. \$2.50.

Masonic Chronicle. D. Sickels, New York. Monthly.

La Chaine D'Union de Paris, Journal de la Maçonnerie Universelle. Paris, France, Rue de la Vieille-Estrapade, 9, M. Hubert, editor. Monthly, 14 francs (\$2.80) per year.

Kentucky Freemason, Louisville, Kentucky, weekly, \$2.00.

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