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## ADDRESS TO THE ALABASTER SARCOPHAGUS,

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BY HORACE SMITH.

Thou alabaster relief! while I hold  
My hand upon thy sculptured margin thrown,  
Let me recall the scenes thou couldst unfold,  
Might'st thou relate the changes thou hast known,  
For thou wert primitive in thy formation,  
Launch'd from th' Almighty's hand at the creation.

Yes—thou wert present when the stars and skies  
And worlds unnumber'd roll'd into their places;  
When God from chaos bade the spheres arise,  
And fix'd the blazing sun upon its basis,  
And with his finger on the bounds of space  
Mark'd out each planet's everlasting race.

How many thousand ages from thy birth  
Thou sleptst in darkness, it were vain to ask,  
Till Egypt's sons upheaved thee from the earth,  
And year by year pursued their patient task,  
Till thou wert carved and decorated thus,  
Worthy to be a king's Sarcophagus.

What time Elijah to the skies ascended,  
Or David reign'd in holy Palestine,  
Some ancient Theban monarch was extended  
Beneath the lid of this emblazon'd shrine,  
And to that subterranean palace borne  
Which toiling ages in the rock had worn.

Thebes from her hundred portals fill'd the plain  
To see the car on which thou wert upheld:—  
What funeral poms extended in thy train,  
What banners waved, what mighty music swell'd,  
As armies, priests, and crowds, bewail'd in chorus  
Their King—their God—their Serapis—their Orus!

Thus to thy second quarry did they trust  
Thee and the Lord of all the nations round.  
Grim King of Silence! Monarch of the dust!  
Embaln'd—anointed—jewell'd—scepter'd—  
crown'd,

Here did he lie in state, cold, stiff, and stark,  
A leathern Pharaoh grinning in the dark.

Thus ages roll'd—but their dissolving breath  
Could only blacken that imprison'd thing,  
Which wore a ghastly royalty in death,  
As if it struggled still to be a king;  
And each revolving century, like the last,  
Just dropp'd its dust upon thy lid—and pass'd.

The Persian conqueror o'er Egypt pour'd  
His devastating host—a motley crew;  
The steel-clad horsemen—the barbarian horde—  
Music and men of every sound and hue—  
Priests, archers, eunuchs, concubines and brutes—  
Gongs, trumpets, cymbals, dulcimers and lutes.

Then did the fierce Cambyzes tear away  
The ponderous rock that seal'd the sacred tomb;  
Then did the slowly penetrating ray  
Redeem thee from long centuries of gloom,  
And lower'd torches flash'd against thy side  
As Asia's king thy blazon'd trophies eyed.

Pluck'd from his grave, with sacrilegious taunt,  
The features of the royal corpse they scann'd:—  
Dashing the diadem from his temple gaunt,  
They tore the sceptre from his grasping hand,  
And on those fields, where once his will was law,  
Left him for winds to waste and beasts to gnaw.

Some pious Thebans, when the storm was past,  
Unclosed the sepulchre with cunning skill,  
And nature, aiding their devotion, east  
Over its entrance a concealing rill.  
Then thy third darkness came, and thou didst sleep  
Twenty-three centuries in silence deep.

But he from whom nor pyramid nor sphinx  
Can hide its secrecies, Belzoni, came;  
From the tomb's mouth unloosed the granite links,  
Gave thee again to light, and life, and fame,  
And brought thee from the sands and desert forth  
To charm the pallid children of the north.

Thou art in London, which, when thou wert new,  
Was, what Thebes is, a wilderness and waste,  
Where savage beasts more savage men pursue—  
A scene by nature curs'd—by man disgraced.  
Now—'tis the world's metropolis—the high  
Queen of arms, learning, arts, and luxury.

Here, where I hold my hand, 'tis strange to think  
What other hands perchance preceded mine;  
Others have also stood beside thy brink,  
And vainly conn'd the moralizing line.  
Kings, sages, chief, that touch'd this stone, like me,  
Where are ye now?—where all must shortly be.

All is mutation;—he within this stone  
Was once the greatest monarch of the hour:—  
His bones are dust—his very name unknown.  
Go—learn from him the vanity of power:  
Seek not the frame's corruption to control,  
But build a lasting mansion for thy soul.

## MASONRY IN MAINE.

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New Jerusalem, 3, Wiscasset. James M Knight, HP; Seth Patterson, K; Edwin Farnham, S; Joseph W. Taggart, sec.

Crescent, 26, Pembroke. John Mincher, HP; W B Hatch, K; Duncan L McIntosh, S; A G Levy, sec.

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Portland, 4, Portland. Richard K. Gatley, M; Geo R Shaw, DM; Samuel F Bearce, PCW; Franklin Sawyer, REC.

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##### Installations.

The officers of Pine Tree Lodge were publicly installed on Thursday evening, Dec. 27th, by P. M. Hiram Stevens, of Forest Lodge, assisted by P. M. Harrison Piper, of Horeb Lodge, as Marshal.

After the installation, Bro. Lewis Barker, of Bangor, in his pleasing manner addressed the lodge and people assembled. The hall was then cleared for the Fourth Annual Ball. About sixty-five couples took part in the dancing. A picnic supper was served by the ladies in their best style. All enjoyed themselves, and voted it the best time for the season; and wished all prosperity to Pine Tree Lodge, and many more annual meetings.

##### Dedications.

The new Masonic Hall recently built at Thorndike was dedicated on Wednesday, November 21st.

The dedication took place in the forenoon, and was conducted, in the absence of the Grand Master, by Charles I. Collamore, Deputy Grand Master, who, with A. B. Marston, of Bangor, Grand Marshal, and Warren Phillips, of Portland, Grand Tyler, were all the Grand Officers present. After the ceremonies, a picnic dinner was served. Speeches were made in the afternoon, with dancing in the evening.

The outside of the Belfast Masonic Temple is finished, and work will be continued on the interior during the winter.

MASONIC RELIEF ASSOCIATION.—The Association now numbers 779 members, six having died during the past year. The available funds consist of five City of Portland registered bonds of \$1,000 each and \$4,437.90 on deposit; \$6,553.12 have been disbursed during the year, and \$7,586.70 received. The by-laws have been revised so

as to elect one member of the Finance Committee for three years each year after the present term. Officers for the ensuing year: President—S. R. Leavitt; Secretary—A. E. Chase; Treasurer—Eben Corey.

OCEAN LODGE, at Wells, has resigned its charter, owing to dull times. This is the only lodge which has thus succumbed since the Morgan times. We trust the revival of business will induce the members to apply again for it.

LINCOLN.—A Mutual Benefit Association has been formed in Lincoln, limited to 1200 members, and open to members of any lodge of masons in Maine. Wm. B. Bullard, of Lincoln Centre, is President, and Wm. C. Clark, of Lincoln, Secretary.

The Mutual Relief Association of Mechanic Falls numbers 1000 members. The limit is 1500.

AUGUSTA.—November 19th, Bethlehem Lodge, says the *Kennebec Journal*, celebrated their anniversary, by installing their officers, and an address was delivered by the retiring Master, E. F. Beals. A proposition was made looking to the erection of a soldier's monument. The canopies and window fixtures furnished by the Messrs. Bosworth, of this city, with the other furnishings of the new hall, elicited much commendation.

ANNUAL ELECTIONS.—Many Lodges, Chapters, Commanderies and Councils have held their annual elections, which should be published in this number of our paper, but the neglect of Secretaries to return them promptly to the Grand Secretary prevents. If any Master is disappointed in not finding his lodge noticed, if he will gently nudge the Secretary it will appear in our May number.

MAINE MASONIC TEXT BOOK, for the use of Lodges, compiled by Josiah H. Drummond, Past Grand Master. Portland: Dresser, McLellan & Co. Electrotyped by Stephen Berry.

In his preface Bro. Drummond says:

"For several years there has been a general call for a Digest of the Decisions of the Grand Lodge; but when I came to consider the preparation of such a work, I at once perceived that, if confined to a mere Digest of Decisions of our Grand Lodge, it would fail to meet the expectations of the Craft, and prove comparatively useless; and I became satisfied that a Digest of the Constitution and Decisions was required.

"Beyond this, there seemed to me to be needed, even more than the Digest, a statement of the manner of proceeding in masonic trials, with forms, the whole so arranged that Brethren, not familiar with legal proceedings, could proceed in due form, in the undesirable but necessary work of disciplining unworthy members.

"It was also suggested by Brethren familiar with the work of our lodges, that a Monitor, adapted to our ritual or work, would be of essential benefit to the Craft in Maine.

"For these reasons, I determined to compile a Text Book, which should embrace instruction for all the work and ordinary business of the lodge and the ceremonies of the Grand Lodge, and contain a Digest of the



Constitution and Decisions of our Grand Lodge."

All this he has successfully accomplished, and the brethren in Maine can now feel that they have a text book which will answer nearly every question they can ask, while abroad it will be received with great favor, both for its intrinsic value and on account of the great reputation of its author.

As we can never expect to satisfy every expectation, so some are already questioning why compass and compasses are both given. The answer is, that the Grand Lodge having adopted the word compass, it must be used in the work and lectures; elsewhere the mason may gratify his own taste. So in cases where our Constitution differs from the general masonic law, our Constitution takes precedence until it is changed. The book is a 12mo. of 350 pages, elegantly bound in blue cloth, and will be sent by mail on receipt of \$2.00.

INDIAN TERRITORY.—Bro. J. S. Merrow, for the Committee on Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory, copies from Maine, thus:

Bro. Day, D. D. G. M. of the 15th District, says:

"February 2, 1876, after five hours' drive in getting twelve miles through drifting snow in a blinding storm, I arrived at Phillips, with both ears white, and was glad to find that the W. M. had postponed the meeting of Blue Mountain Lodge until the next afternoon, at which time I witnessed work on the third degree, which was done in a very creditable manner, and I am satisfied with the material used on that occasion, for a candidate who will come in such intense weather eight miles—the last three, by compulsion, on foot—and at the expense of a frozen face, has zeal sufficient for a whole Lodge of Masons."

And comments as follows:

Pshaw! that is nothing, Brother Day. Why, our brethren of the Indian Territory have to fight their way through hostile bands of wild Indians to their lodge-rooms, and they are *always* present, of course! The Grand Lodge of Maine has a "Charity Fund" of several thousand dollars, and they expend it according to masonic principles, which, after all, is the best evidence of the high standing of the Order in that State. May God ever bless our brethren of Maine.

WANTED. Proceedings Grand Lodge of Maine, 1848, 1849, 1850, 1853, 1854, 1857, for which cash will be paid on receipt at this office. Also—

Grand Chapter of Maine, 1865.

Grand Council of Maine, 1858.

Grand Commandery of Maine, 1858, 1863.

Bro. R. L. McCormick, of Waseca, Minnesota, wants the following Grand Commandery Proceedings, for which he will pay cash or give valuable duplicates in exchange:

Mississippi, 1857, 1858, 1861.

New Hampshire, 1826 to 1860, inc. org. '60.

Texas, January, 1855, 1864, 1866, 1868.

Virginia, 1860, 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864.

The MASONIC ADVOCATE, of Indiana, in a leading editorial, advises the abolition of affiliation fees.

NOTICE.—In our advertising columns is noticed *Stoddart's Musical Library*, a serial publication now under way, which, from its extraordinary cheapness, will effect a revolution in the music publishing interest. Messrs. Stoddart & Co. agree to give for the low price of one dime a collection of the most popular instrumental and vocal music, printed on full size music paper of the best quality—the same amount and quality, in fact, as would cost \$1.50 if published separately. This is a step in the right direction, and one which will find instant and hearty favor with those whom it is intended to benefit.

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☞ We send, or try to send, free, our paper to all Grand Secretaries. If any fail to receive it, notice to us will bring it. If any one of them wishes extra copies, it will give us pleasure to send them also.

—It will be seen by their advertisement that S. P. Leighton & Co. have established a new store for the manufacture of masonic goods, at No. 22 West Street, Boston, under the Gas Co.'s office. The senior partner has been long a member of the old firm of Pollard, Leighton & Co.

We have published an illuminated title and index for Volume I, which has been sent to all who asked it. If any, who have kept their files, still lack it, a postal card notice to us will secure it. No. 1 is also re-printed, which we will furnish on receipt of 25 cents. We have a few complete sets of Volume 1, which will be sent on receipt of \$2.00. It is particularly to be desired that Maine lodges should secure these for their libraries. We have sent every number to every lodge free, but doubtless few have preserved them.

Yet, as the whole volume can never be re-printed, and *only about fifty copies will exist*, it is evident that some day sets will be eagerly sought for, as it is a history of masonry in Maine, since 1867. We may as well mention, modestly, that since we have given them free for ten years, we should be willing to receive subscriptions from all the lodges. If each lodge would yearly appropriate one or more dollars for subscriptions, and distribute the papers to their members, they would find it the best invested money they had. How often you find masons whose sons fail to join the fraternity; but if they found masonic papers lying around at home they could not fail to get interested in the subject, and one candidate a year would be a handsome interest on your dollar. We must not omit to say that a few lodges regularly do it, and we are sure they will fully agree with these remarks.

The *Chaine d'Union* of Paris, in a long and complimentary review of the Proceedings of our Grand Commandery, pays a high compliment to Grand Commander Gordon, and in closing says:

"Nos compliments les plus sincères aux FF.: chevaliers Stephen Berry, David Bugbee et Horatio A. Duncan, pour l'excellence de fond et de forme de leur habile Rapport."

Bro. HARVEY HAZELRIGG, of Lebanon, Indiana, who died Dec. 15th, was one of the most prominent masons of the West. He had been a member of the Order for nearly forty years. He was elected High Priest in 1848, and served as such up to December, 1866. He served twenty-three years and six months, consecutively, as W. M. of a Lodge, High Priest of a Chapter, Eminent Commander of a Commandery, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, and Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery. He served one year as Grand King, ten years as Grand High Priest, one year as Grand Captain General, two years as Generalissimo, ten years as Deputy Grand Commander, two years as Grand Commander, one year as Senior Grand Warden, four years as Deputy Grand Master, and had been a member of the Grand Lodge since 1844, a period of thirty-three years, never missing a meeting, this being a longer continuous attendance than that of any other member in the State. In addition to being always on hand, he served at every session on some of the most important committees. He devoted much time to the study of masonry, and was held in high esteem by the Craft.

We learn from the *London Freemason* that the action of the Grand Orient of France is evoking earnest discussion in England. The Grand Lodge of Ireland and the Supreme Council of England have suspended intercourse.

A discussion arose in the Grand Lodge of England regarding the German Grand Lodge, which refuses to initiate Jews. It was urged on its behalf that it had been organized for a hundred years as a Christian Grand Lodge, and that it did not refuse them the privilege of visiting, but would not initiate them without a declaration of belief in Christianity. This seems reasonable.

FREEMASONS' REPOSITORY.—Our readers will regret to learn that on the 27th of September the *Repository* office at Providence was burned. The proprietor started anew, and, we trust, will soon make up the loss through the sympathy which it will elicit. We regret particularly to learn that the back files were burned, as we lack Nos. 6 and 11 of Vol. 6.

SCHLEUSNER.—A mourning circular from Bro. Amaral of the Grand Orient of Brazil, informs us of the death of their much valued brother Udo SCHLEUSNER, Dep. Grand Master of the province of Bahia, Oct. 17th.

A copy of the *London Freemason* strayed off to Portland, Oregon, Maine having been omitted, but our kind Bro. Earheart, the Grand Secretary, sent it on to us. Will Bro. Kenning add *Maine* to our address?



## 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

**Maine Masonic Text Book, Digest and Monitor**, by J. H. Drummond, 350 pp. 12mo. cloth,.....\$2.00

**Memorial of Lieut. Fred. H. Beecher**, 48 pp. quarto; tinted paper, gilt edge; cloth, \$2.00.

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Tremont Lodge, No. 77, Tremont,.....20  
Waterville Lodge, No. 33, Waterville,.....50  
Sebasticock Lodge, No. 146, Clinton,.....30  
Howard Lodge, No. 69, Winterport,.....30  
Somerset Lodge, No. 34, Skowhegan,.....50  
Crescent Chapter, No. 26, Pembroke,.....30  
Drummond Chapter, No. 27, W. Waterville,.....35

A NEW YEAR brings with it new hopes and new duties. Not that our old duties, the tenets of our profession, Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth are changed, but that the drift of the world's opinion brings them up in new forms. The action of the Grand Orient of France in changing their constitution so as to admit atheists, is the most important masonic event of the year, and Grand Lodges are rapidly moving to suspend intercourse with them on account of it. In all Catholic countries, the action of the church against masonry has thrown the liberal-thinkers into its ranks, so that France is likely to be sustained by many Grand Lodges outside of the English-speaking communities. How rapidly we shall move in this matter is a subject for careful consideration, but it is evident that Anglo-American masons, who have been taught from time immemorial that their first duty is to God, will not be in haste to yield in so important a point, by admitting atheists to visit their lodges, while the feeling of fraternity must make them as considerate towards the opinions of their French brethren

as the claims of Truth will permit. The negro question seems to be tidied over for the present. The surrender of the Cryptic degrees is an action which looks like a doubt in regard to the future of the fraternity, which we cannot feel. A review of our statistics will show what the history of masonry has been in the past.

In 1820 our Grand Lodge started with about twenty lodges and say 500 members. In 1830 it had 58 lodges and about 1540 members. In 1840, masonry was so prostrated that it was difficult to say how many lodges were alive, but as 36 lodges were represented in the convention at the revival in 1843, it is safe to estimate the lodges at 40 and the membership at 1000. In 1850 there were 50 lodges and 1800 members. In 1856, when the present Grand Secretary was elected, the returns were first tabulated, and the following table will show the progress:

	Members.	Gain Per Cent.	Initiates.
1856,	3,211		646
1857,	3,288	2 1/2	497
1858,	3,391	3	480
1859,	3,762	11	668
1860,	4,319	13	817
1861,	4,744	9 3/4	897
1862,	5,396	13 3/4	679
1863,	6,041	12	1,054
1864,	7,227	19 3/8	1,995
1865,	8,884	23	1,741
1866,	10,075	13 1/2	1,608
1867,	11,491	14	1,678
1868,	13,001	13 1/4	1,672
1869,	14,121	8 1/2	1,343
1870,	14,726	4 1/4	1,130
1871,	15,818	7 1/2	1,160
1872,	16,571	4 3/4	1,193
1873,	17,224	4	1,015
1874,	18,108	5 1/4	1,127
1875,	18,673	3 1/4	964
1876,	18,837	1 1/4	805
1877,	19,365	2 3/4	703

This shows a healthy growth from the revival up to 1861, when the sudden war gave it a check, followed by a rush until the close of the war in 1865, when a gradual decline began, which reached its lowest point in 1876, when the increase was relatively smaller than in any year since 1846. In 1877, although the number of initiates was smaller, the return to membership made the gain more than three times as great. That this coincides with the depression of business, will be seen by the fact that the two periods when there has been the greatest rush into beneficiary societies have been 1846 and 1876. Hence we are confident that the lowest point is reached, and that we are once more on the up-grade, or very near it.

The darkest hour is just before dawn. In the former depression it is noticeable that many lodges succumbed just before the revival. Let us not imitate them now, but hold steadily on and wait for the coming morn.

And so, brethren, we wish you, confidently, a HAPPY NEW YEAR.

THE NEW HALLS are nearly completed, and will be opened this week. The organ is pronounced much better than the former, and

the apartments more elegant, in every respect. The Armory is now large and commodious, and its ornamentation very fine. When the banners and arms are displayed in the large cases on either side of the room, the effect, together with the crosses of the order emblazoned on the walls, will be admirable. The small banqueting room and the Library will be admired and appreciated. While the brethren are admiring these rooms, it is well to suggest that the gentlemen whose taste has designed them, are GEO. W. DEERING, RUFUS H. HINKLEY, and WILLIAM G. DAVIS, Committee, F. H. FASSETT, Architect, and CHARLES J. SCHUMACHER, Fresco Painter.

The Committee of Correspondence of the Grand Council of Florida complain that the Grand Recorder of Maine is discourteous because he has neglected to send our proceedings to them. Our Grand Recorder is sure he sent them, and the Grand Recorder of Florida seemed to think so, too, because he acknowledged the receipt of them!

GRAND ENCAMPMENT.—Grand Master Hurlbut has issued an order appointing District Deputy Grand Masters. District No. 1 is the New England States, and Benj. Dean, Grand Generalissimo, has charge of it.

CUBA.—A courteous letter from Dr. S. J. Barnet, of the Grand Lodge of Colon, asks an exchange with their official Bulletin, which we accept with much pleasure, and thank him for the file of Proceedings sent us.

MASONIC TRUSTEES OF PORTLAND.—At the annual meeting, January 11th, Stephen Berry was re-elected Chairman, and R. H. Hinkley Secretary and Treasurer, for 1878. It was voted to name the new large hall "Corinthian Hall," and the smaller "Tyrian Hall." On Thursday evening, January 17th, the apartments will be opened to Master Masons and their lady guests, when the organ will be exhibited, and some fine vocal music given by a select choir.

## COMPASS OR COMPASSES?

The article of J. O. S. in a former number of the *Token* has led me to examine the different Monitors in my collection to ascertain which word is used, and the following is the result:

In the first edition of THOMAS'S Constitutions (1793), edited by Rev. THADDEUS MASON HARRIS, *Compass* is used; but in the second edition (1798) it is changed to *Compasses*: when the word was introduced into the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, *Compasses* was used, and has ever since been used.

In the first edition of WEBB'S Monitor (1797), the word is *Compasses*, and in the second edition (1805) the same word is used, as is also *Compass*; but in the editions of 1805,



1808, 1812, the three of 1816, the two of 1818, the one of 1821, in both editions of MORRIS's Webb, in CARSON's Webb, and in CHASE's Webb, the word is *Compass*.

In PRESTON, the first American Edition in 1804, and in the English Editions of 1829, (edited by DR. OLIVER), and 1846, and the American Reprint, (being all which I have), the word is *Compasses*.

In COLE's Maryland Ahiman Rezon of 1817 and 1826, *Compasses* is used.

I have not the first edition of CROSS's Chart, but the *second* (1820) and all subsequent editions have *Compasses*.

HARDIE's (New York) Monitor (1819); CONVERSE's (Connecticut) Key (1823); CORNELIUS MOORE's (Ohio) Craftsman (1846); CHANDLER's (Pennsylvania) Monitor (1843); SCOTT's (Mississippi) Keystone (1856); and GRAY's (Mississippi) Mystic Circle (1859); all use *Compasses*.

The first edition of DOVE's (Virginia) Text Book (1840), and the second edition (1854), have *Compass*; while the third edition (1866) has *Compasses*.

CHARLES W. MOORE's Trestle Board has *Compass*, but during all the time that book was the standard Monitor in Massachusetts, the Constitution had *Compasses*.

The Text Books published by the Grand Lodges of Massachusetts (1876), Mississippi (1875), North Carolina (1875), Pennsylvania (1825), and Tennessee (1868), all have *Compasses*; but the first edition (1840) of the Tennessee Manual had *Compass*.

DALCHO's South Carolina Ahiman Rezon of 1807 has *Compass* once, and *Compasses* every other time; and the second edition (1822) follows the first: while MACKAY's editions of 1852 and 1866 have *Compasses*; and in MACKAY's recent work, "The Manual of the Lodge," he invariably uses *Compasses*.

DREW's (New York) Monitor of 1860, and MEAD's (New Jersey) Text Book of 1872, use both.

SICKELS, MACOY and CUNNINGHAM, in their recent works, all use *Compasses*, while TAYLOR (Texas) uses *Compass*.

The term is used in but few of the Grand Lodge Constitutions, but in those in which it is used, including those of Scotland, Ireland, England, Canada, New Brunswick, Quebec, and Massachusetts, it is *Compasses*.

J. H. D.

The *Repository* proposes to find the oldest Past Master, and leads off with Christopher Burr, made in St. John's Lodge, Providence, in 1812, and Master in 1819.

To our list of old masons we add the name of Marcus Richardson, Bangor, Maine, born 1780, made a mason 1802. He will therefore come No. 3 in the United States. Peter Hammond, Geneseo, Ill., 1799, and Capt. John Knight, Manchester, Mass., 1801, being older.

The Ontario Freemason has died at eight months of age.

KENTUCKY.—The Grand Lodge of Kentucky lately laid a tax of one dollar a year for five years on each mason in that State for the support of the Widows' and Orphans' Home, at Louisville. This caused a rebellion among the lodges at Maysville. The Grand Master demanded the charter and lodge property of Confidence Lodge, and some of the members got a legal injunction against the delivery, whereat the Grand Master issued a proclamation arresting the charter, and declaring all acts of the lodge clandestine.

Grand Commander Rugg, of Providence, has gone to Halifax, to take charge of a flourishing society.

BRO. WILLIAM HACKER is writing a history of masonry in Indiana.

The Grand Lodge of Indiana will have to vote to tax the lodges or give up its masonic temple this year, as the treasury will be completely bare at its next annual meeting.

EARLY HISTORY OF THE GRAND LODGE OF PENNSYLVANIA.—The Library Committee of the Grand Lodge have compiled and published the early history of this Grand Lodge. Part I is issued, containing 183 pp., with an elegant plate of Col. Daniel Coxe, of Trenton, N. J., the first Grand Master of that State. This Part contains the evidence lately produced by Bro. McCalla to show that Masonry existed in Philadelphia three years earlier than elsewhere in America, and it seems very conclusive, not to mention that Bro. McCalla has still later found a letter dated March 10, 1715, signed by John Moore, ancestor of some distinguished Pennsylvanian Grand Officers, who speaks of spending evenings in festivity with his masonic brethren, and this, two years before the revival of masonry and establishment of the Grand Lodge in England, so that Philadelphia masonry is actually old enough to prove a connecting link with operative masonry against those who argue that the whole thing originated in 1817! The book is elegantly printed, like all Philadelphia work, and sells for \$1 for each part. Those wishing to subscribe may address Charles E. Meyer, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia.

CRYPTIC DEGREES.—In Illinois the Councils are arranging to amalgamate with the Chapters, and in other States there seems to be a tendency the same way. This is forcing an extra and unnecessary burden upon the Chapters. It is to be hoped that in Maine we shall find pluck enough to go on through the dull times, holding the progress which we have made in the last score of years. If any Council is too weak to live, let it drop out and surrender its jurisdiction to its nearest neighbor.

Comp. DRUMMOND, in his report on Correspondence to the Grand Council of Maine, says:

"We believe that the depression in Cryptic Masonry, wherever it exists, is not due

primarily to a lack of interest and ability to support them in a proper manner.

"Upon the revival of masonry, the cultivation of these degrees was resumed, and was gradually extended. The re-action in favor of masonry was such that it was overdone: the growth was too much of the *fungus* character, and certainly too rapid. Brethren devoted to it more time than due attention to their avocations allowed: they held official stations in from two to four Bodies, and even Grand Bodies, at a time. Too impatient of waiting for promotion in their body, they sought to establish new ones; each little village was also ambitious of being the seat of one or more masonic bodies: the result was that a vast number of new charters were granted for bodies, which, when they lost the services of one or two zealous Brethren who were their backbone, began to die, or, at best, live at a poor, dying rate.

"Such was the position in 1861, at the breaking out of the war: but even then the membership and the number of live Councils in the country were not so large as at the present time. The stimulus the war gave to masonry, however, was felt in the whole system, but it was an unhealthy stimulus: members joined and went 'as high as they could get' (as the saying was) from mercenary or selfish motives, and, worse than all that, they were hurried through the degrees with a rapidity that absolutely prevented their receiving any benefit whatever from our teachings: the inevitable result was that when the occasion passed by for which they sought the benefits of masonry, they cared for it as little as they knew, and ceased paying dues; having never been in the habit of attending our meetings, they did not have to change in that respect.

"But there was another cause for depression: when the war broke out, many of the best officers and members were called away from their masonic duties, and never returned to active work: the bodies fell into the hands of brethren equally ambitious and zealous, but not as competent: that is to say, the average standard of excellence and competency of officers was lowered.

"To this should also be added the fact, that in the South many bodies were actually destroyed by the war, in everything but name.

"The result was, that when peace, and a settling down to the avocations of peace, came, we had a very large number of bodies, especially in the South, which had lost all their members who could be relied upon to maintain them; and another large number, which had been unadvisedly organized, with no efficient material in the surrounding country for their support: and others with a large nominal membership of those who had never been masons more than in name, who paid no dues, and for whom the active members paid dues to the Grand Bodies.

"When matters were precisely in this condition, there came in business that terrible depression, which was the necessary result of the overdoing in the previous years; the same law produced the same effect in business as in the material affairs of masonry; but it told with double effect, of course, upon masonry.

"The result is, that in many Grand Lodge jurisdictions there has been a large falling off, and the membership throughout the country has scarcely held its own: in the Chapters the result has been worse; and if it has been even worse in the Councils, it is simply because the higher bodies inevitably feel it the worst.

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"Let those, then, who do not believe in lowering the standard to demoralization and dissolution, close up the vacant spaces made by those falling out, and, with united effort, maintain these beautiful degrees in the organizations our fathers created and transmitted to our care."



The Christmas number of the *London Freemason* is an elegant 32 page paper with a wrapper containing pictures of the Prince of Wales and other officers of the Grand Lodge, and is full of good things.

The *Jewel* says the Grand Lodge of Arkansas has accepted a report which will stop the yearly aid given to St. John's College.

#### Contributions to Masonic Library.

William P. Preble—

His whole masonic library, consisting of 238 bound volumes, 244 (estimated) unbound. List hereafter. This contains many rare and valuable works.

Aurelius S. Hinds—

Vols. 29 and 30, Moore's Boston Magazine.

Stephen Berry—

Cosmopolitan Masonic Calendar for 1878, London.

#### PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Pen and Plow, New York, monthly, \$1.00.

The Sanitarian, organ of the Medico-Legal Society. Monthly, \$3. Dr. A. N. Bell, Editor and Publisher.

Robert B. Thomas' Old Farmer's Almanac, 1878, from Loring, Short and Harmon.

Catalogue Bates College, 1877-8, from the President.

Boston Book Bulletin, from D. Lothrop & Co., Boston, 10c.

Illustrated Monthly, Vol. 1, No. 1, from Ja's Vick, Rochester, N. Y. \$1.25 a year. Also his annual catalogue, 75 pp., with elegant illustrations, which is sent to all who enclose a two cent stamp.

Bulletin of the American Metric Bureau, January, 1878. Price 10c. Office Tremont Place, Boston. This number is full of information for teachers.

Maine Genealogist, for December. Full of valuable matter. Two plates. Quarterly. Wm. B. Lapham, Augusta. \$1.50 in advance.

#### MUSIC.

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#### OUR THANKS TO

Christopher G. Fox, Gen. Gr. Sec., Reprint Gen. Gr. Chapter, organization to 1856. Proc. Gen. Gr. Chapter, 1877.

Willis N. Brent, Gr. Sec., for proc. National (Colored) Masonic Convention, 1877.

Prof. J. E. Hilgard, Asst. Supt. Coast Survey, for report 1874.

Chas. H. Titus, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge Massachusetts, September, 1877.

John Carlovitz, Chairman Correspondence, proc. Gr. Council Florida, 1877.

W. T. Boyd, Cleveland, for proc. National (Colored) Masonic Convention, 1877.

Thos. J. Corson, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Chapter and Gr. Commandery New Jersey, 1877.

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Luke E. Barber, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge Arkansas, 1877.

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Edward C. Parmelee, Gr. Sec., proc. Gr. Chapter Colorado, 1877.

J. Emmett Blackshear, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge Georgia, 1877.

Wm. R. Bowen, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Commandery Nebraska, 1877.

Chas. P. Utley, Gr. Rec., for proc. Gr. Commandery Wisconsin, 1877.

R. T. Jones, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge Indian Territory, 1877.

Albert Pike, Sov. Gr. Comm'r S. M. J., translation proc. Gr. Orient France respecting rejecting Deity, and mandate suspension intercourse.

Theo. S. Parvin, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Chapter Iowa, 1877. Among others, it contains a capital likeness of Parvin, who looks as modest as if he was unconscious that his "obituary" follows it.

George Kenning, 198 Fleet Street, London, publisher of *London Freemason*, for the "Cosmopolitan Masonic Calendar." This contains a roll of all British Masonic Bodies, and most others on the globe. Of this country it gives the Grand Bodies, and their officers. It is very valuable. Price, post-paid, 2s. 1d. Sixty cents will bring it.

Christopher Diehl, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge Utah, 1877.

#### "A CONNECTION BETWEEN THE TEMPLARS AND THE FREEMASONS OF THE CITY OF YORK."

We have received and studied with much interest a paper read before the members of the Ancient Ebor Preceptory, No. 101, September 11, 1877, by E. Sir Knight J. B. Whitehead, E. P., with this heading, and though we cannot conscientiously agree with the views of the writer, yet they are so ably put forward and so moderately expressed, that we deem the little work worthy of something more than a mere passing perusal. Sir Knight Whitehead seems to assume as his "petitio principii," that the modern Masonic or non-Masonic Knights Templar are the lineal and actual descendants of the famous chivalry of the Temple, that they retain in some way or other, which "deponent doth not explain," the forms and secret usages of the actual Templars. But Bro. Whitehead, though he traces out quite correctly the history of the Northern English Templars to their absorption in the Northern Convents, under the auspices of Archbishop Greenfield, in 1311, yet can carry historically the annals of the Order no further. His statement that in 1312 they were all relieved from their obligatory confinement is not confirmed by historical documents, as the accounts of the hospitaliers disclose pensions to Knights Templars in the north much later. The truth is that from 1312 to 1780—468 years—nothing more seems heard of the Templars in York. Then the G. S. of the Grand Lodge, who had become a Templar Mason, became a zealous advocate of the higher grade.

Bro. Whitehead can still see the draft in the York Archives of a proposed warrant for a Templar Chapter of "Knights of the Holy Sepulchre of St. John of Jerusalem," with all its erasures and interlineations, showing that up to that time no proper warrant had been issued. What is the evidence of Templar perpetuation during the 468 years? Practically nil. The charter of Larmenius at Paris is clearly a forgery. The Scottish evidences of Templary under Jacobite leadership are of dubious authority, and there is not the slightest evidence accruing, or Addison would have produced it, that the Southern Templars, after their imprisonment and ill treatment, ever met again as such. Where Dunckerly obtained his Templary from is still a moot point, and he is the Southern reviver of it. The theory that the modern Templars have any historical connection with the old, is, in our opinion, an utter delusion. Every usage is modern, and utterly alien from the real customs of the true Templars. "Encampment" is a modern word, and no "Preceptory" of Templars was ever called after a person, but a place. The "locus in quo," where the Preceptory was situated, as Bro. Whitehead well knows.

There is not in the Templar ritual any remains of "knightly archaisms," indeed it is notoriously most modern. The very adaptation of the power of granting knighthood (which, by the way, does not seem to have

been ever given by the Grand Master of the old Templars), is in itself an error. Knighthood can only be granted by the Crown for public services to the Crown or State, and the only exception we know of is the Knights of the Holy Sepulchre at Jerusalem, which knighthood used to be conferred by the Prior of the Franciscan Convent at Jerusalem. In a word, all such societies in England, are skillful adaptations of older and different societies, and nothing more. But when we write history we should seek to write history, authentic, matter of fact, and not color it by prepossessions, however amiable ideal attributes, however innocuous.—[*London Freemason*.]

#### DIED.

In Portland, November 29, Alfred M. Burton, Treasurer of the Maine Savings Bank, aged 53 yrs. 8 mos. Brother Burton was born in Gorham, and was the son of William Burton, P. H. P. of Eagle Chapter. He was a member of Atlantic Lodge, Mount Vernon Chapter, Portland Commandery, and Portland Council, having been Master of the latter. He was for many years Secretary of Atlantic Lodge and Mount Vernon Chapter, whose records will be a lasting monument to his excellence in that department. He was also for a time Treasurer of the Grand Chapter of Maine, and was a member of the Board of Trustees from its organization, as also President of the Relief Association. He was a man deeply beloved and esteemed by his brethren, as well as by the citizens at large, and his funeral was attended by representatives from all the Masonic Bodies.

In Portland, December 6, Sewall Waterhouse, aged 72.

Hon. John F. Harris, an esteemed citizen of East Machias, Me., died at his residence in that place on Sunday, September 30th, aged 81 years. The deceased was a prominent member of the Masonic Fraternity, and had been a member of Warren Lodge, No. 2, for fifty-three years, having been made a Mason in that Lodge November 16, 1824. In 1826 he was elected Senior Warden, and December 27, 1828, was elected Master, which position he held when the Lodge suspended its regular communications (December 29, 1829) on account of the anti-masonic troubles which at that time extended all over the country. On the 6th of October, 1847, the Lodge resumed its business, and Brother Harris was again elected Master, which position he held till 1857, when he was appointed District Deputy by the Grand Master of Maine. In this position, as in all others which he filled, he discharged his duties with that promptness and fidelity which always characterized him as a man and a mason. He manifested great interest in the Order up to the time of his death. He was a man of sterling honesty and integrity, and had filled many positions of honor and trust in the community where he resided, and twice represented Washington County in the Senate of Maine. He was buried with masonic honors, Warren and Harwood Lodges being in attendance.

#### Our Masonic Exchanges.

*Kentucky Freemason*, by H. A. M. Henderson, Frankfort. Monthly, \$1 in advance.

*Buletin Oficial de la Masoneria Simb. de Colon*. Dr. S. J. Barnet, Consulado 69 A., Havana. Semi-monthly.

*The Freemason*, 198 Fleet Street, London, Eng. Weekly, 16 folio pp. 10s. 6d. per year.

*Liberal Freemason*, Alfred F. Chapman, Boston, Mass. Monthly, 32 octavo pp., \$2.

*Masonic Eclectic*, Washington, D. C., by G. H. Ramey. Monthly, 48 pp., \$2.

*Maine Freemason and Odd Fellow*, Kilby & Woodbury, Skowhegan. Monthly, \$1. Eight folio pages.



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

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

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

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

*The Craftsman*, Port Hope, Ontario, J. B. Traves. Monthly, octavo, \$1.50.

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

*Freemasons' Repository*, Ferrin & Hammond, Providence, R. I. Monthly \$1.50.

*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.

*Masonic Review*, Cincinnati, Ohio, T. J. Melish. 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.

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