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WHEREBY ONE BROTHER MAY KNOW ANOTHER.


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The Song of the Prodigals.

BY AUSTIN DOBSON.

"Princess! and you, most valorous,
Nobles and barons of all degrees!
Hearken awhile to the prayer of us—
Beggars that come from over the seas!
Nothing we ask of gold or fees!
Harry us not with the hounds, we pray;
So—for the surcote's hem we seize—
Give us—ah! give us but Yesterday.

"Dames most delicate, amorous!
Damosels blithe as the belted bees!
Hearken awhile to the prayer of us—
Beggars that come from over the seas!
Nothing we ask of the things that please;
Weary we are, and worn and gray;
Lo—for we clutch and we clasp your knees,
Give us—ah! give us but Yesterday."

"Damosels—dames, be piteous!"
(But the dames rode fast by the roadway trees)
"Hear us, O knights magnanimous!"
(But the knights pricked on in their panoplies)
Nothing they got of or hope or ease,
But only to beat on the breast and say:
"Life we drank to the dregs and lees;
Give us—ah! give us but Yesterday!"

ENVOY.

Youth, take heed to the prayer of these!
Many there be by the dusty way,
Many that cry to the rocks and seas,
"Give us—ah! give us but Yesterday!"

MASONRY IN MAINE.

Annual Meetings.

GRAND LODGE.

The Grand Lodge of Maine opened in Portland, at nine o'clock Tuesday morning, May 1st, with a large attendance.

There were present of Past Grand Masters, Hiram Chase of Belfast, J. H. Drummond, Wm. P. Preble and Timothy J. Murray of Portland, Edward P. Burnham of Saco, and C. I. Collamore of Bangor. The venerable Past Junior Grand Warden Oliver Gerrish, of Portland, was also in attendance.

Grand Master Marquis F. King, of Portland, presided, with his full attendance of officers. In his annual address he referred to the deaths of Past Senior Grand Warden Isaac Downing, of Kennebunk; of Grand Steward R. E. Paine, M. D., of Camden, and Gordon R. Garden, a prominent member of the Order. He also spoke of Past Grand Master Cargill, of East Livermore, who is

detained at home by a broken hip. He spoke of the Grand Secretary, Ira Berry, who had sufficiently recovered from his broken leg to be present. He recounted the various duties of his position which he had fulfilled, among other things attending the admission to the Order of Gov. Robie. He stated that the initiations the past year were 805, a gain of 123; the membership 19,469, a gain of 478. For some years the membership had not advanced until this. He alluded to the unfortunate depletion of the income of the charity fund for the past year, in consequence of a large share of it having been taken for taxes by a decision of the Supreme Court. The consequence is that many poor widows and destitute aged men will have to do without their annual donation this year. The address was able, and was received with much applause.

The Report on Finance showed a good condition of the finances.

A large amount of business was received and referred to the appropriate committees, and at noon the Grand Lodge called off until two o'clock.

Tuesday Afternoon.

The Grand Lodge called on at two o'clock. Routine business occupied the first hour. At three o'clock the annual election of officers commenced, and the following were chosen:

G. Master.—Wm. R. G. Estes, Skowhegan.
D. G. M.—Fessenden I. Day, Lewiston.
S. G. Warden.—Wm. H. Smith, Portland.
J. G. Warden.—Goodwin R. Wiley, Bethel.
G. Treasurer.—Frederic Fox, Portland.
Grand Secretary.—Ira Berry, Portland.
Finance Committee.—Oliver Gerrish, Portland; Albro E. Chase, Portland; S. Clifford Belcher, Farmington.

Trustees of Charity Fund.—A. M. Wetherbee, Warren; E. Howard Vose, Calais.

Grand Master King and Grand Treasurer W. O. Fox declined a re-election.

Wednesday May 2.

The Grand Lodge met at 2 p. m. The afternoon was mostly occupied in the exemplification of the third degree by Frank W. Parker, Master of Rabboni Lodge, of Lewiston, and his officers. The work was finely done, and the hall was crowded with a deeply interested audience.

A charter was granted to Warren Phillips Lodge, at Cumberland Mills.

Thursday, May 3.

The Grand Lodge met at 8 o'clock in the morning.

Petitions for new lodges at Monroe, Strong and Bluehill were refused.

Permission was granted to remove Monmouth Lodge from North Monmouth to Monmouth Center, and for Cumberland Lodge to meet alternately at New Gloucester and Gray.

A resolution of thanks to Rabboni Lodge for their excellent exemplification of work was adopted.

The Grand Officers were installed by Past Grand Master Drummond, the following appointments being made:

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

Albert Lovejoy, 2d, Houlton,	1
Wilford J. Fisher, Eastport,	2
Henry R. Taylor, Machias,	3
George A. Wheeler, Castine,	4
James T. Roberts, Foxcroft,	5
Hiram Stevens, Carroll,	6
Benjamin Ames, Thorndike,	7
Simon B. Littlefield, Stockton,	8
Joseph O. Cobb, Union,	9
Charles W. Stetson, Damariscotta,	10
Henry F. Blanchard, Augusta,	11
H. Owen Nickerson, Readfield,	12
Summer A. Patten, Skowhegan,	13
F. C. Whitehouse, Brunswick,	14
Nathan U. Hinkley, Phillips,	15
James L. Bowker, Bryant's Pond,	16
Albert W. Larrabee, New Gloucester,	17
John Bradley, Cornish,	18
Winfield S. Dennett, Saco,	19
Cor. Gr. Sec.—William O. Fox, Portland.	

Grand Chaplains—Revs. Caleb Fuller, Hallowell; Charles C. Vinal, Kennebunk; Edwin F. Small, Saco; T. B. Gregory, Rockland; John Gibson, Portland; George G. Hamilton, Oakland; William G. Haskell, Lewiston; L. H. Bean, Skowhegan; William Walker, Thomaston; George E. Forbes, New Gloucester; A. F. Palmer, Lamoine; Tho's A. King, Portland.

Grand Marshal—Horace H. Burbank, Saco.
S. G. D.—Joseph M. Hayes, Bath.

J. G. D.—Ben Moore, North Anson.
Grand Stewards—Turner Buswell, Solon; Augustus Bailey, Gardiner; William A. Barker, Rockland; Edward P. Hahn, Lincolnville.

G. Sw. Bearer—Algernon M. Roak, Auburn.
G. St. Bearer—Samuel G. Davis, Denmark.
G. Pursuivants—Frank E. Sleeper, Saco; Albro E. Chase, Portland.

G. Lecturer—Timothy J. Murray, Portland.
G. Organist—Geo. M. Howe, Portland.
G. Tyler—Warren O. Carney, Portland.

An invitation from the City Government of Portland to lay the foundation stone of a monument to George Cleaves, the first settler, July 4th, was accepted.

Grand Lodge closed at 12:30.

GRAND CHAPTER.

Tuesday, May 1.

The Grand Chapter of Maine met at seven p. m., Grand High Priest Joseph A. Locke presiding.

In his annual address he alluded to the fraternal dead, and called attention to the jewels and altar which had been draped in mourning for General Grand High Priest Bower, lately deceased in Iowa.

The report on returns showed 4,107 members, being a gain of 67.

The following officers were elected:

G. High Priest.—Frank E. Sleeper, Sabatis.
D. G. H. P.—Manly G. Trask, Bangor.
G. King—James M. Nevens, Bucksport.
G. Scribe—Archie L. Talbot, Lewiston.
G. Treas.—Rufus H. Hinkley, Portland.
Grand Secretary—Ira Berry, Portland.
Committee of Finance—J. H. Drummond, Portland; Oliver Gerrish, Portland; Nathan Woodbury, Lewiston.

At 10:30 the Grand Chapter called off until nine o'clock Wednesday morning.

Wednesday, May 2.

The Grand Chapter met at nine o'clock in the morning. Permission was given to Union Chapter to continue at Norway, and for Oriental Chapter to continue at Lovell.

The Grand Officers were installed by Past Grand High Priest Horace H. Burbank, the following appointments being made:

D. D. G. M. 5th Dist.—George W. Goulding, Oakland.

D. D. G. M. 6th Dist.—Walter F. Bradish, Eastport.

Grand Chaplains—Rev. Charles C. Vinal, Kennebunk; Rev. Edwin F. Small, Saco; Rev. John Gibson, Portland; Rev. Wm. H. Washburn, Lewiston.

G. Capt. Host—John O. Shaw, Bath.

G. Prin. Soj.—Albert M. Penley, Auburn.

G. A. C.—Wm. N. Prince, Portland.

G. M. 3d V.—Charles I. Collamore, Bangor.

G. M. 2d V.—Carlos E. Kempton, Turner.

G. M. 1st V.—Lorenzo L. Shaw, Yarmouth.

Grand Stewards—Albert G. Blunt, Skowhegan; Cornelius T. Hosmer, Camden; Henry E. Morrissey, Lewiston; Daniel Dolloff, Jr., Dexter.

G. Lecturer—T. J. Murray, Portland.

G. Sentinel—Warren O. Carney, Portland.

At 11 o'clock the Grand Chapter closed.

ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD.

The Order of High Priesthood met at 11 o'clock. Twenty-four High Priests from all parts of the State received the order. The following officers were elected:

President—Oliver Gerrish, Portland.

Senior Vice President—Josiah H. Drummond, Portland.

Junior Vice President—Edward P. Burnham, Saco.

Treasurer—Levi A. Gray, Portland.

Recorder—Stephen Berry, Portland.

M. of Cer.—Horace H. Burbank, Saco.

Conductor—Fessenden I. Day, Lewiston.

Chaplain—Wm. J. Burnham, Lewiston.

Steward—Albert M. Penley, Auburn.

Warder—James M. Nevens, Bucksport.

GRAND COUNCIL.

The Grand Council met at 2 P. M., Arlington B. Marston, of Bangor, Grand Master, presiding. Business, routine.

The following were elected officers for the ensuing term:

Grand Master—Marquis F. King, Portland.
D. G. Master—Horace H. Burbank, Saco.
G. P. C. of W.—Charles W. Haney, Belfast.
G. Treas.—Leander W. Fobes, Portland.
Grand Recorder—Ira Berry, Portland.
G. Chaplain—Wm. J. Burnham, Lewiston.
G. M. of Cer.—C. C. Hayes, Portland.
G. Capt. of G.—Wm. A. Barker, Rockland.
G. Conductor—Albert M. Penley, Auburn.
G. Steward—Joseph M. Hayes, Bath.
G. Sentinel—Convers O. Leach, Portland.
Closed.

GRAND COMMANDERY.

Wednesday, May 2.

The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar met at 7 o'clock, Grand Commander Edward P. Burnham, of Saco, presiding. Hon. Benjamin Dean, of Boston, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States, was present and received with full honors.

The business was routine. The following officers were elected:

G. Com.—Isaac S. Bangs, Waterville.

D. G. Com.—John O. Shaw, Bath.

G. Gen.—Charles B. Morton, Augusta.

G. Cap. General—J. Fred Leavitt, Bangor.

G. Prelate—Rev. Edwin F. Small, Saco.

G. Sen. War.—Benj. F. Andrews, Portland.

G. J. W.—Jos. Y. Hodsdon, Yarmouthville.

G. Treasurer—Charles Fobes, Portland.

G. Recorder—Ira Berry, Portland.

G. St. B.—Albert G. Blunt, Skowhegan.

G. Sw. B.—William H. Fogler, Belfast.

G. Warder—John P. Scott, Rockland.

G. Cap. G.—Warren O. Carney, Portland.

The officers were installed by Grand Master Dean, who addressed the Grand Commandery relative to the proposed Garfield monument at Cleveland. The subject was referred to the subordinates.

On Monday evening, previous to the conclave, a special meeting was held, at which St. Alban Commandery, of Portland, A. G. Schlotterbeck, Commander, exemplified the Order of the Temple in an admirable manner to a large assemblage from all the Commanderies of the State.

Closed at 10:40.

Lodge Elections.

Kenduskeag, 137, Kenduskeag. Ora M. Harvey, m; Peter Barker, sw; William K. Nason, jw; Wm C Spratt, sec.

Crooked River, 152, Bolster's Mills. Fernald J Sawyer, m; Albion M Hancock, sw; James S Skillings, jw; Alpheus B Lovewell, sec.

Mount Tire'm, 132, Waterford. Charles L Wilson, m; James S Grout, sw; George C Wheeler, jw; Sylvanus W Cobb, sec.

Pownal, 119, Stockton. Warren F Griffin, m; Wilson Partridge, sw; Charles S Rendell, jw; Jere M Grant, sec.

Aurora, 50, Rockland. Erastus P Rollins, m; Lorenzo S Robinson, sw; Orlando S Knowles, jw; Enoch Davies, sec.

Meridian, 125, Pittsfield. Albion Whitten, m; Harrison W Gardner, sw; Ira F Towle, jw; Ernest Maxfield, sec.

Ashlar, 105, Lewiston. John Q A Jumper, m; Fred I Morrill, sw; Hiram Morrill, Jr, jw; John Winn, sec.

Palestine, 176, Biddeford. John Etchells, m; Geo F Goodwin, sw; Wm M York, jw; Jesse W Muttart, sec.

Cambridge, 157, Cambridge. John W Cole, m; John H Mitchell, sw; Frank L Chadbourn, jw; Charles C Hale, sec.

Jefferson, 100, Bryant's Pond. William Day, m; A Mont Chase, sw; S L Ethridge, jw; Alden Chase, sec.

Somerset, 34, Skowhegan. William H Fuller, m; Geo A Barnard, sw; Charles V Richards, jw; Charles M Lambert, sec.

Day Spring, 107, W. Newfield. Thomas B Stone, m; Ai Q Mitchell, sw; George W Whitcher, jw; John P Wood, sec.

Lebanon, 116, Norridgewock. Fred G Danforth, m; Charles W Farrand, sw; O F Hall, jw; William J Haynes, South Norridgewock, sec.

Phoenix, 24, Belfast. Dr J M Fletcher, m; C E Tibbetts, sw; G R Sweetser, jw; J C Cates, sec.

Lewy's Island, 138, Princeton. Charles A Rolfe, m; Charles F Heath, sw; Samuel O Hoar, jw; Naaman Horsman, sec.

Eureka, 84, St. George. Nathan Batchelder, m; Charles G Crocker, sw; Joseph A Studley, jw; Suel A Wheeler, sec.

Bar Harbor, 185, Bar Harbor. A L Higgins, m; J S Lynam, sw; F M Connors, jw; Bryant Bradley, sec.

Warren, 2, East Machias. Austin F Kingsley, m; Austin Harris, sw; William Rush-ton, jw; Charles W Johnson, sec.

Amity, 6, Camden. George H Cleveland, m; John G Trim, sw; Cornelius T Hosmer, jw; Leander M Kenniston, sec.

Washington, 37, Lubec. Geo F Townsend, m; E W Brown, sw; William F Trott, jw; James B Neagle, sec.

Eastern Frontier, 112, Fort Fairfield. Jos S. Hall, m; J S Stevens, sw; J L Ginn, jw; W C Burpee, sec.

Hermon, 32, Gardiner. L W Goodspeed, m; George W Dow, sw; Samuel W Cutts, jw; Oliver B Clason, sec.

Riverside, 135, East Jefferson. J J Bond, m; S H Bond, sw; W J Greenwood, jw; J J A Hoffses, sec.

Ocean, 142, Wells Depot. Lewis West, m; C H Swasey, sw; E J Getchell, jw; T E Littlefield, sec.

Granite, 182, West Paris. G W Bryant, m; C W Chase, sw; F L Willis, jw; F H Packard, sec.

Buxton, 115, West Buxton. Abel G Smith, m; Edw B Warren, sw; Oscar D Rand, jw; James Meserve, sec.

Pacific, 64, Exeter. George M Bond, m; Charles H Carpenter, sw; Joseph P Oak, jw; Charles E Merriam, Garland, sec.

Mount Kineo, 109, Abbott. C R Small, m; Amos Beal, sw; D H Buxton, jw; A P Race, sec.

Esoteric, 159, Ellsworth. Thomas E Hale, m; Orrin W Tripp, sw; Frank W Billington, jw; James A McGown, sec.

Trinity, 130, Presque Isle. Frederick G Parker, m; Sidney Graves, sw; Lewis F Carr, jw; William R. Piper, sec.

Adoniram, 27, Limington. Charles E Chick, m; Charles E Small, sw; Asa G Wentworth, jw; Leonard J Strout, sec.

Tranquil, 29, Auburn. Elbridge G Heath, m; Charles E Darling, sw; William F Lord, jw; James F. Atwood, sec.

Unity, 58, Thorndike. John N. Tilton, m; G H Rich, sw; L Penney, jw; R S Rich, sec.

St. George, 16, Warren. Charles A Perry, m; Roland Clark, sw; Fred H Jones, jw; George E Stevens, sec.

Star in the West, 85, Unity. W H J Moulton, m; James Libbey, Jr., sw; Amaziah T Woods, jw; Charles Taylor, sec.

Polar Star, 114, Bath. Charles W Arras, m; Walter S Russell, sw; Edward W Rider, jw; Albert G Eaton, sec.

Lafayette, 48, Readfield. Nelson D Gordon, m; Phineas Morrill, sw; George W Cofran, jw; George W Manter, sec.

Pioneer, 72, Ashland. John G Mosher, m; Leroy C Dorman, sw; Ebenezer R McKay, jw; W Lionel Watson, sec.

Chapter Elections.

Aurora, 22, Cornish. Howard Brackett, HP; Frank C Parker, K; Gilbert Chase, S; James C Ayer, sec.

Corinthian, 7, Belfast. Russell G Dyer, HP; John Putman, K; C B Hall, S; Waldo B Washburn, sec.

Eagle, 11, Saccarappa. Asa W Pratt, HP; R H Grant, K; Abner L Hawkes, S; Fred Graffam, sec.

Keystone, 24, Camden. C T Hosmer, HP; L M Kenniston, K; F M Richards, S; T C Atwick, sec.

Acadia, 31, Ellsworth. Nathaniel J. Moore, HP; Charles C Burrill, K; James E Parsons, S; James A McGown, sec.

King Solomon's, 8, Rockland. Oliver Starrett, HP; William A Barker, K; Erastus P Rollins, S; E T G Rawson, sec.

Jerusalem, 4, Hallowell. Hadley O Hawes, HP; E C Stevens, K; A C Harrington, S; Orlando Currier, sec.

Murray, 33, Kennebunk. Charles H Ferguson, HP; George B Littlefield, K; Lewis E Burley, S; Edward W Morton, sec.

Commandery Elections.

Trinity, 7, Augusta. H F Blanchard, ec; J W Rowe, gen; C H Brick, cg; D M Waitt, rec.

Memoranda.

—On March 13th, York Lodge, of Kennebunk, celebrated its 70th anniversary. There was a long procession. Addresses were given by Past Grand Masters Edward P. Burnham and Josiah H. Drummond, that of the latter being read by Grand Master King.

—St. Alban Commandery will celebrate St. John's day this year on Friday, June 22d. Invitations have been sent to St. John's Commandery, of Bangor, and Trinity, of Augusta, to visit them on that occasion.

—Dunlap Commandery, of Bath, had a five days' carnival in February, to raise money towards a new hall. The great day was that of the ball, when 1,500 people were present at \$2 a ticket.

—April 28th was the silver wedding night of Past Grand Commander John W. Ballou. The Bath masons held a meeting at their hall in honor of the event, where, with appropriate speeches, were presented a silver tea service from Solar and Polar Star Lodges, of Bath, a velvet easy chair from Portland Commandery, a silver service from Brunswick and Topsham Knights, a silver punch-bowl from St. Omer Commandery, of Waterville, a Past Grand Commander's jewel from Knights of different Maine Commanderies, a Past Commander's costume, from Bath Knights, and other valuable gifts. If any should infer from this that P. G. C. Ballou is personally a favorite in this State, he would not be far wrong.

—Amity Lodge, Camden, has leased a portion of a block, now building, and will soon have one of the best halls in that part of the State. Amity Lodge is No. 6, one of the ancient and most honored lodges, chartered in 1801, and deserves to be well housed.

—Monroe Commandery, of Rochester, who visited Portland in 1865, propose to come again in late July.

Books, Papers, etc.

Robert Hewitt Brown, the author of *Stellar Theology and Masonic Astronomy*, is a resident of Albion, Orleans Co., N. Y. The price of the work is \$2; D. Appleton & Co., New York, publishers.

The *Grand Army Magazine* is a new monthly, published at Denver, Colorado. It is just the thing to interest veterans and the sons of veterans.

Oliver Ditson & Co., music publishers, Boston, send us a new song by E. A. Samuels, entitled "My Darling Marie." It is commonplace, but will probably be popular. Price 35c.

James Elverson, of Philadelphia, on April 14th, issued the first number of an elegant paper called the *Illustrated World*. It cannot fail to take a high place in the world of art and literature, if it continues as it begins.

The *Liberal Freemason*, of Boston, commenced its seventh volume in April. It is an admirable magazine.

The *Biographer, Illustrated*, is a new monthly, published at 23 Park Row, New York, which gives sketches of distinguished people, with portraits. The first number, published in May, contains thirty-five biographies. It will be a valuable work. \$2.50 a year.

HISTORY OF ANCIENT LANDMARK LODGE.—Mr. Stephen Berry, of this city, has prepared and published a valuable history of Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 17, Free and Accepted Masons, Portland, from its organization in 1806 to 1880, inclusive. Mr. Berry is peculiarly well fitted to perform a work of this kind, and perform it in the most satisfactory manner. Probably no man of his age in Maine is better posted in matters masonic than Mr. Berry. In addition to this, his style of composition is clear, accurate and concise. We heartily endorse the following notice of this history written by Hon. Josiah H. Drummond, and printed in the *Press* a few days ago:

"Ancient Landmark Lodge of Masons, located in Portland, has published its history, edited and printed by Stephen Berry. It makes a handsome octavo volume of 204 pages, besides title page and table of contents. The text of the history takes up 120 pages, to which are added a roll of officers (six pages), roll of members (59 pages), an alphabetical list of members, giving the number of each on the roll (12 pages), and an excellent index to the body of the work.

"The 'roll of members' gives the dates when each took the several degrees, and other particulars of interest, making in many cases a concise biographical sketch.

"In one respect, the editor labored under a serious difficulty. The records of the lodge for forty-seven years, were burned in the great fire of 1856, and had it not been for the provident care of his venerable father, in

making, while he was Secretary of the lodge, an abstract of the records, it would have been impossible to write the history of the lodge. With this abstract as a guide, the editor has, with great diligence and labor, obtained the materials for an exceedingly interesting and valuable history.

"As the lodge was organized in 1806, the history covers a space of time, during which exciting and important events happened. The embargo, the war of 1812, the 'Morgan dark days,' business revulsions, the late war, and 'the great fire,' all had more or less effect upon the lodge.

"The editor gives a brief sketch of Masonry in Portland prior to 1806, containing many interesting facts and incidents. The more important events in the history of the lodge are narrated in a vivacious but concise style.

"One of the most important features of the work is the large number of biographical sketches of leading members.

"While this history is exceedingly interesting to the members of the lodge and the descendants of former members, it is very valuable to the general reader, especially if interested in the history of our city.—[*Argus* March 16.]

We are indebted to Bro. McCalla, of the Philadelphia *Keystone*, for a most appreciative and complimentary and three-column review in his paper of April 21st. He commends the arrangement of the work as a model, and applauds the public spirit of the lodge in publishing so much valuable material.

The *Repository*, of Providence, also favors us with a long review, and indeed all the masonic press, for which they will please accept our thanks.

Light in the East, is a large octavo of 677 pages, by Rev. Henry R. Coleman, Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky. He followed in the footsteps of Rob Morris, and visited all the sacred places of the Holy Land, noting their traditions, and suggesting their masonic associations. It is profusely illustrated, and contains fac similes of many ancient coins. Bro. Coleman, like Bro. Morris, is a masonic enthusiast. He carried Morris' masonic banner, and, like him, he left his mark, by inscribing the square and compasses, with a chisel, at the famous places which he visited. The book is sold only by Bro. Coleman; price \$5.00.

El Oriente is the title of a new masonic semi-monthly magazine, of 24 octavo pages each, published by E. R. Canalejo and T. F. Garcia, Havana. Each number will contain a fine photograph. No. 1 has Washington as a mason.

Bulletin Maconnique de la Grande Loge Symbolique Ecosaisse Orient de Paris. We are pleased to receive, as we go to press, the first number of the third year of this magazine. It is published on the fifteenth of each month, and the subscription is 8 francs a year to America. The address is Boulevard St. Germain, No. 40, Paris, France. Mr. F. Dumonchel, agent. Bro. J. Cuénot conducts the foreign department.

For Lists of Subscribers.

We are indebted to District Deputy Winfield S. Dennett, of Saco, Stark Webster, Mattawamkeag, Geo. Peirce, Harrison, C. H. Alden, Waterville, and I. L. Shepherd, Castine.

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. 12 mo. cloth, or leather tuck, 2d edition,.....	\$1.50
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, in sheets,.....	\$3.00
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Portland Lodge, No. 1, Drummond, cloth,.....	1.50
Hancock Lodge, Supplement to 1880,.....	25
Olive Branch Lodge,.....	20
Lewy's Island Lodge, Supplement to 1880,.....	20
Portland Commandery, Berry,.....	75
Crescent Lodge, 1870-'80,.....	20
Ancient Land-Mark Lodge, Berry,.....	80

GRAND LODGE OF MAINE.



Immediately after the annual election of officers, the Secretary should make a list of the new Master, Wardens and Secretary, and forward it next day to the Grand Secretary, whether the officers are installed or not. The old Secretary should do this, and the new Secretary should see that it has been done. This is important, in order that communications, returns and blanks may go to the new Secretary, and not be sent to the old one, and in order that the Grand Lodge may have official knowledge of the election of the new Secretary.

When Secretaries are ordering diplomas, if they will enclose stamps for post-

age at the rate of 10 cts. a dozen, the diplomas will be sent by mail, thus saving the more expensive express charges.

IRA BERRY, *Gr. Sec.*

The Grand Meetings.

The Grand meetings were, as usual, most agreeable re-unions, all the Grand Bodies being fully attended. The statement of Grand Master King, that the jurisdiction is once more advancing in membership, having gained 478 during the year, will be received abroad with pleasure, for as Maine goes, so goes the country, since Maine leads the world in percentage of masons to population.

A telegram of sympathy was sent to Past Grand Master Cargill, suffering from a broken hip at his home in Livermore Falls. His reply stated that he was recovering and able to be about on crutches. The brethren were glad to meet again their Grand Secretary, who had so far recovered from a similar accident as to be present at the opening and again at the installation.

The presence of Grand Master Dean at the Grand Commandery was exceedingly welcome, not only on account of the respect for his high office, but because the Templars of Maine have a very great esteem and regard for him personally.

The retiring officers in all four bodies have been men of marked ability, their administrations have been very successful, and their successors are each men of such experience and masonic skill that they cannot fail to carry on their work prosperously. The brethren of the Grand Lodge will regret the resignation of their Grand Treasurer, who has been a most efficient and faithful officer, but the choice of a successor from the same family, so honored in Maine masonic annals, is an assurance that the work of that department will be carried on with equal fidelity.

In the Grand Commandery we missed the pleasant face of the Grand Treasurer, who still lingers in a sunnier clime, but his place was filled by his son, who skillfully discharged his duties, although he narrowly escaped being disabled in the morning by his horse running away and smashing his carriage.

We missed, too, the genial presence of the Chairman of the Committee on History, Dr. Paine, of Camden, who died so soon after the last annual meeting, and we shall long miss his earnest labors in that department. This may remind us that the vacant seats are not always to be those of the elders. But on the whole, we may congratulate ourselves on the blessings and prosperity of the year.

The proposed celebration in Portland, on the fourth of July, on which occasion the Grand Lodge will set the monument in memory of the first settler, will probably be largely attended. Arrangements will be made for cheap fares, and a great number of the fraternity may be expected. The Grand Commandery will be invited to furnish an escort.

How Shall we Preserve the Interest in the Lodge?

It is a recognized fact, that not only in this country, but in England, there is a serious neglect of lodge attendance, and many plans have been suggested to remedy it.

The first thing to ascertain is the cause. Some say it is because the lodge no longer calls to refreshment after labor, as in days of yore. This cannot be, for not only do they continue the banquet in England, but there they complain of one of its most attractive concomitants, the feast of reason, and say that the same old speech grows wearisome after you have heard it forty or fifty times; and in Portland Lodge, in 1806, when the banquet was in its glory, the fact was certified to Grand Lodge that they constantly found difficulty in securing the attendance of enough members to work the Master's degree, yet their total membership could not have been short of 150. One of the great drawbacks to the banquet and the flowing bowl, was the having to pay for it on the spot. Clearly, the restoration of the banquet will not save us. Now, the percentage of Templars to Master Masons in 1816, was $1\frac{2}{3}$ per cent. In 1848, it was 2 per cent. In 1865, it had got up to 6, and in 1882, to $9\frac{3}{4}$. It is gaining $\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. a year, and a simple equation will show that in 364 years, at this rate, the Templars will be ahead. This gain shows that the higher branches offer the most attractions. As we have shown that it is not the banquet, it follows that it must be the titles.

No, gentlemen, do not say we do not care for titles. Why do we always put Esq. on a letter, when we wish to please the receiver? Why do men serve in ungrateful municipal offices? Why do they go to Legislature, to the neglect of business and loss of money? Why do they go to Congress, although they weary of it? Why strive to be President, when they know that the place is disappointing and the after-fall disheartening? A title of distinction fills a great aching void in the human breast. "Sir Knight" is an appellation which maketh the heart to glow, and how much more so the title of "Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret!" It need not be argued that it is not recognized outside the lodge halls, for here is the *Detroit Free Press*, telling how fifty uninformed Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret went from Chicago to Grand Rapids, and were guests of honor there; and Judge McCurdy said: "We welcome you with all the cordiality and enthusiastic pride which the presence of manly men and Princes Royal ever inspires."

THE REMEDY IS

for the lodge to raise its titles as high as the highest. Let it build out, so that instead of the higher orders projecting like a preposterous Mansard Roof, they shall taper off like a pyramid, and the foundation shall be the most prominent. We do not suggest the nomenclature, but the glowing minds which have furnished the titles for the higher orders

are equal to the task. If it is a good thing for the few, why may not the blessing be extended to all the craftsmen? We all need something to lift us above the cold dull earth. Imagination does this. When we used to read tales of chivalry, did we not always dream of rescuing distressed princesses? Knights errant did not waste their time on village maidens, but always rushed in and carried off a princess. Every man has the potentiality of greatness within him, even as the acorn contains the stately oak, although it does not always germinate. When we think how many Roman Emperors sprang from obscurity to the empire of the world, we feel that we are neglecting our opportunities. It is true that some cynics may argue that these be empty titles, but are they not as filling as the Barmecide feast to which our Presidents sit down? And is it not possible that the President would be happier if he were styled "Royal Highness" than he is thus stinted to a simple title that any little club can bestow? Perhaps some of these Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret slipped off their uniforms the next day, and traveled around Grand Rapids to gather in a few orders; but if they did, they knew in their own souls, and many of the Grand Rapidians knew, that they were Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret in disguise. Did not the great Haroun al Raschid put on the garb of the humble fisherman and cast the nets himself? True, he complained to the fisherman that the fleas in the borrowed garments troubled him, but the wise, though humble fisherman, replied, "O, Caliph, mind them not, you will get used to them!" So with our Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret, when they put on the garb of the world. The carking cares of business may annoy them, and envy may traduce them, but the heroic soul rises to heights that dwarf the petty affairs of life, and the Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret can truly say that

"His mind to him a kingdom is."

Capt. James B. Moore,

Was born at Vassalborough, Maine, July 1, 1791, and died at Lisbon, Maine, Feb. 26, 1883, aged 91 y. 6 m. 25d. He went to sea from Portland, in 1805, was second officer in the privateer ship *Invincible* in 1814, was captured and confined in Dartmoor prison, whence he escaped by masonic assistance, but was recaptured. He was also once aided by masons in escaping from prison in Halifax. After the war he was released from Dartmoor and returning to Portland commanded the brig *Edwin* in 1818, and subsequently several other vessels. Later he kept a grocery and shoe store on the corner of Free and Market Streets, in company with Moses I. Plummer. In the fire of 1866 he lost store and house, consuming most of his property. He adhered to the ancient fashion of dressing his long white hair in a queue, tied with black ribbon, long after the fashion was obsolete. He was initiated in Portland Lodge in 1813, and was

then recorded as a merchant. He went as far as the Royal Arch, which he received in Mt. Vernon Chapter in 1815.

Selecting Marks.

The question is frequently asked us "Where shall we find designs to select marks from?" It will save us time to answer in print. Our ancient brethren used simple lines, such as could be quickly engraved with a chisel and mallet, and their marks look something like short-hand characters. Such marks would, of course, be entirely proper now. Any masonic emblem is also suitable, although it is preferable to confine oneself to degrees already received. Emblems of one's profession or calling are also proper, and frequently used. If the Mark Master seeks something else, let him choose a sentiment and represent it by a fitting emblem. Thus, secrecy may be represented by a rose, fidelity by clasped hands, constancy by a watch dog, vigilance by a cock, truth by a fountain, etc. It is not easy to find books giving these emblems, and the better way is to make a memorandum of the device, and send it to the Chapter draughtsman to design. Several marks at a time can be sent to the artist, who can sketch them out and submit them for inspection. If approved, he can draw them into the mark book.

A Dying Lodge.

Not long ago, we had occasion to search the records of a defunct lodge, and there found what we suppose the records of all such lodges will show, evidence that it died hard. The work grew less and less, but the craftsmen tried to keep up the interest by exemplifications and lectures. They got in debt and assessed themselves, and then members dimitted and the meetings grew thinner. The faithful Secretary gave his salary to the lodge. The District Deputy visited and encouraged them, and they had suppers to bring out the members. But it was useless; the interest ceased, the lodge doors were closed, the debts paid and the records sent up to the Grand Lodge. With them came a set of Grand Lodge proceedings, faithfully kept, running back to the days of the institution of the lodge, some of them bound. The charter shows that it was instituted in the flush time of the war in a seaport town, so that the general falling off was accelerated by the decline of shipping. And here is a copy of the address of David Ramsay, of South Carolina, during the rebellion, which Grand Master Preble admired so much for its fraternal sentiments, at such a time, that he caused it to be printed at his own expense, and presented it to each lodge in the State. Surely, this was good work—square work—and although the lodge is closed in that little town, and the wandering craftsman no longer sees the light which shows where his brethren are in pleasant conclave met, we feel that they were good masons and true, that they should feel glad that they sustained the lodge

in good repute for so many years, and that when they go where masons meet, they will be justified in saying, "We be of your brethren and kin."

Gen. Charles Cruft.

We were startled and shocked March 23d, by receiving a telegram from J. W. Cruft, his brother, saying "General Charles Cruft died this morning." His illness, which was disease of the heart, was so brief, (only three days) that we had not heard of it.

Masonically, Bro. Cruft was known as the veteran and accomplished Reporter on Correspondence of the Grand Commandery of Indiana, and as a Past Grand Commander of that jurisdiction. Personally he was known as a dear friend, a genial companion, and a kindly and chivalrous man. He was born in Terre Haute, Indiana, where his father was one of the earliest settlers, Jan. 12, 1826, and was consequently fifty-seven years old. He graduated at Wabash College in 1842, when only sixteen, studied law and became a very successful lawyer. From 1855 to 1858 he was president of the St. Louis, Alton & Terre Haute Railroad. He went into the war as a Colonel of the 31st Indiana, and came out a Major-General. When a Canadian frater objected to our "bogus American military titles," we expected to hear Bro. Cruft reply indignantly, but he only remarked that military titles should not be used at all in Masonry. Curious then to get at his exact military record, we asked him about his service. He modestly replied that he was with the armies of the West. Now we find that he won his Brigadier's star at Fort Donelson, that he was in the bloody fight of Shiloh, that he led columns of attack up Lookout Mountain, and at the storming of Mission Ridge, and all through the war from Bull Run, in which he volunteered to serve a field piece, to the close, he had an experience of fire and blood which any Knight of ancient or modern times might be proud of, and we think a title won in that way is one to be worn with honor. His fellow citizens say of him:

"His great presence of mind and daring on the battle field, soon gave him the command of a corps. He commanded more men, commanded them better, was in more great battles and rendered more important military service than any of the brave men who honored Indiana in the war, and during all these mighty responsibilities no act of his was ever criticised by officer, private or civilian."

He never married. Two brothers and a sister survive him. He was an old friend of President Garfield, as he wrote us in June, 1880, "Garfield is an excellent nomination. He is an able—grand man. We campaigned together happily years ago, and knew each other well. I tried to convince him last Sunday that he was the 'dark horse' but he scouted the idea as preposterous."

Christmas always brought telegraphic greetings from General Cruft, and when that genial season comes again, we bespeak a kind remembrance from all, for a noble-hearted man who was first to remember and pledge

the household of the faithful, and who has gone out from us so untimely. We will think of him as the kindly friend who loved us, and as the peerless Knight who in twenty pitched battles had "walked with death, and had not been afraid."

Frederic Speed.

The Jackson, Mississippi, *Clarion* publishes a portrait and biography of retiring Grand Master Speed. He was a son of John J. Speed, of Michigan, one of the associates of Morse in the telegraph business, was born at Ithaca, N. Y., Sept. 22, 1842, and received an academic education at Detroit. At the breaking out of the rebellion he was residing at Gorham, Maine, with his father. He enlisted as a private and came out Assistant Adjutant General. After the war he entered the legal profession, married a daughter of Past Grand Master Giles M. Hillyer, of Mississippi, and settled in Vicksburg. He was initiated in Harmony Lodge, Gorham, Me., in February, 1866, and has filled nearly all the important masonic offices in Mississippi.

A Proposition.

It is now sixteen years that we have furnished our paper *free* to every Lodge, Chapter, Council and Commandery in this State. A few of these bodies have subscribed from time to time, and five of them are on our list at the present time. If any of the others think it is about time for them to do a little towards the support of the paper and supplying it to them, we suggest that an excellent way is for the lodge to send \$1 each year, for which they will receive eleven copies. These can be taken to the first lodge meeting after their reception, and distributed to the first-comers, thus serving as a premium for prompt attendance, as well as helping to make well-informed masons. We do not suggest this so much for the profit to ourselves, although we should have no objections to a little more assistance in carrying our load, as to increase the usefulness of the paper. Nothing will more thoroughly interest the craftsmen in Masonry than a little information about it.

Why Ritual Changes.

Past Grand Commander Samuel Harper, of Pittsburgh, in his report to the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania, gives an additional rendering of the verse heretofore referred to:

Eerey Orey, Ikerey Ann,
Phillison, Phollison, Nicholas John,
Queby, Quooby, English Navy,
Stingulum, Stangulum, Buck!

And Joseph K. Wheeler, of Hartford, Gr. Sec., adds this as the Connecticut work:

Ery Iry, Ickery, Ann,
Philliey, Phollicy, Nicholas John,
Quever, Quiver, English niver,
Stineklum, Sanklum—Buck.

Let us have some more versions from other States, and see if *any* agree. This is not idle nonsense. It will show just how oral tradition changes a thing.

Old Mason.

The Kennebec Journal of February 27th, said William Crane, of Warren, claims to be the oldest mason in the State. Bro. A. M. Wetherbee has looked up his record for us. He was born in Warren Nov. 12, 1789, petitioned St. George Lodge Jan. 10, 1816, was initiated Feb. 7th, crafted Feb. 21st, raised March 13, 1816, and admitted to membership April 30, 1817. He served in various offices up to Senior Warden before 1820.

Editorial Items.

—*La Cadena de Union*, of Vera Cruz, of December 31st, appeared in mourning for Bro. Francisco Hernandez, who had been Governor of the State and Grand Master of the York Rite there.

—The proceedings of the Colored Grand Lodge of Ohio is a volume of 160 pp. There are 42 lodges of colored masons in Ohio, with 1,004 members. P. G. M. William T. Boyd's report on correspondence shows that they have on this continent 31 Grand Lodges, with 649 subordinates and 17,122 members.

—And now Bro. H. W. Ryland has found an example of a gentleman being received as a Freemason in 1603, which sets the date of speculative Masonry back one hundred years or more.

—On March 28th, a detachment from Palestine Commandery, of New York, presented an elegant bronze fac simile of the Warwick Vase to De Molay Commandery, of Boston. Grand Commander Burnham, of Maine, was present and spoke.

—Aaron B. Webb, one of the oldest masons in Vermont, having been initiated in 1815, died early in February.

—William Brinsmaid has found the original charter issued by the Grand Lodge of Vermont to Vermont Lodge, No. 18, in 1795. This lodge was formerly No. 1, having been chartered by St. Andrews Lodge in 1781, but lost its precedence in the Morgan days. We have an older one in Maine, which was issued to Portland Lodge in 1769.

—We are indebted to Thomas Gliddon, Recorder, for an invitation to a meeting of Monroe Commandery, Rochester, N. Y., March 2d, when the Past Commanders of that Commandery conferred the Order of the Temple.

The same Commandery observed Easter by attending services at the Central Presbyterian church. Recorder Glidden kindly sends us a programme.

Bro. Glidden sends also a programme of the Scottish Rite 17th annual reunion at Rochester, May 8, 9 and 10th.

—The two colored Grand Lodges of Pennsylvania have united.

—The colored Grand Lodge of Missouri has 88 working lodges, with 2,103 members, an average of 27. This is a net increase of 220 over the previous year, or about ten per cent.

—Bro. Edward M. Patten sends us from San Francisco, a broadside sheet, containing the speeches at a grand masonic banquet at Iolani Palace, given by his majesty King Kalakaua, in honor of his brethren of the mystic tie, at Honolulu, Dec. 27th, 1882.

—John F. Burrill, former Grand Secretary of Illinois, has been sentenced to five years in the penitentiary, for defalcation of \$7,000 of Grand Lodge funds.

—The Grand Lodge of Indiana has reduced its debt \$12,000 during the last year, and now owes but \$50,000.

—The Scottish Rite is building a fine hall in Indianapolis.

—A lodge has been constituted at Manchester, England, named after Lord Wolseley. It is established on temperance principles.

—The Cincinnati Masonic Relief Committee received \$8,407.92 for the sufferers during the flood of 1883; they expended \$5,885.55, and will return the balance to the givers.

—The fraternity will join us in tendering our sympathy to Past Grand Commander Joseph K. Marlay, of Nebraska, who lost his son George W. Marlay, early in February, at the age of twenty-three.

—A complimentary dinner was given to Dr. Rob. Morris, at the Grand Union Hotel, New York, Thursday, Feb. 15, by his masonic admirers. The company included many of the leading craftsmen, the speeches were evidently good and the menu excellent.

—Alexandria-Washington Lodge celebrated its centennial Feb. 22d. This lodge laid the corner stone of the Capitol in 1793, Washington acting as Master. In 1824 it received Lafayette. It possesses a portrait of Lafayette wearing a Templar apron, and one of Washington wearing a Royal Arch apron. Among the names of visitors we find that of "E. G. Hight, of Atlantic Lodge, Me."

The administrator of the estate of the late Bro. Paine offers for sale his masonic library, which contains a complete set of Maine proceedings, of the Grand Encampment, and quite a full set of Northern Supreme Council. We shall be pleased to forward any offers for either of them.

Our Thanks to

James C. Munds, Gr. Rec., for proc. Gr. Commandery North Carolina, 1882.

George P. Cleaves, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Chapter New Hampshire, 1882.

Joseph K. Wheeler, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge Connecticut, 1883.

Willis N. Brent, Gr. Sec., for proc. Colored Gr. Lodge Missouri, 1882.

W. L. Underwood, Philadelphia, for proc. Convention to Unite the two Colored Grand Lodges of Pennsylvania, Dec. 26 and 27, 1882.

J. Emmett Blackshear, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge Georgia, 1882.

James H. Wickersham, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge Idaho, 1882.

A. P. Moriarty, Asst. Gr. Sec., for proc. Supreme Council N. M. J., 1882.

Chas. Inglesby, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge South Carolina, 1882.

Alfred F. Chapman, Gr. Rec., for proc. Gr. Council Massachusetts, 1882.

William B. Isaacs, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge Virginia, 1882.

Soreno D. Nickerson, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge Massachusetts, Sept., Oct. and Annual, 1882.

James H. Neilson, Dublin, Ireland, for lists of Dublin Lodges and Chapters, 1883.

Wm. S. Hayes, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge Delaware, 1882.

Chris. Diehl, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge Utah, 1883.

Geo. Van Vliet, Gr. Rec., for proc. Gr. Council New York, 1882.

Z. H. Thomas, Gr. Sec., for proc. Mass. Council Deliberation, 1882, and Gr. Chapter, 1882.

Wm. R. Bowen, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Chapter Nebraska, 1882.

Richard Lambert, Gr. Rec., for proc. Gr. Commandery Louisiana, 1883.

Donald W. Bain, for proc. Gr. Lodge North Carolina, 1882.

Daniel Sayre, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge, Gr. Chapter and Gr. Council Alabama, 1882.

J. L. Power, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge Mississippi, 1883.

John H. Isaacson, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge Quebec, 1883.

Henry B. McIntire, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Chapter Delaware, 1883.

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Our Masonic Exchanges.

El Oriente, Havana, Cuba, semi-monthly.
La Cadena de Union, Vera Cruz, Mexico.
Boletin Masonico, Mexico, monthly, \$3.
Masonic Review, Cincinnati, Ohio, \$2.00.
La Acacia, Buenos Aires, Monthly.
Freemason, Sydney, N. S. W., 6s. 6d.
The Kelet, Budapest, Hungary, Monthly.
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Liberal Freemason, Boston, Mass., \$2.
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Masonic Advocate, Indianapolis, \$1.10.
Freemasons' Repository, Prov., R. I., \$1.50.
La Chaine d'Union de Paris, Hubert, editor.
Australian Freemason, Sidney, N. S. W., 6s.
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DIED.

In Bryant's Pond, Jan. 28th, Rev. Ransom Dunham, aged 84 y. His father, a Revolutionary soldier, came from Bridgewater, Mass., and settled at Hebron, where the son was born in 1798. He was first a blacksmith, but entered the Baptist ministry, and has been a faithful laborer for nearly half a century. Funeral services by Jefferson Lodge.

In Freeport, Jan. 28th, Thomas Chase, a retired shipmaster, aged 81 y. Had been a mason over fifty years. Masonic services by Freeport Lodge.

In Aiken, S. C., of consumption, January, Winthrop C. Cobb, of Minneapolis, Minn., formerly of Portland, aged 47 y. Funeral at Portland, Jan. 30th. Masonic services by Ancient Land-Mark Lodge.

In Paris, Feb. 7th, Zenas Maxim, aged 84 y. 4 m. 20 d. At the time of his death, he was the oldest man—a native resident—living in Paris. He had been a mason sixty years lacking a month, and

is believed to have been the oldest mason in Oxford County. His masonic life covers the anti-masonic period, when it required some moral courage to face the strong opposition and prejudice wrought up by the Morgan excitement. Old Oxford Lodge, organized on Paris Hill, and now continued at Norway, dwindled in the withering blast to small proportions, its sessions at one time being represented only by the Master, Maj. Rufus Stowell, and its Secretary, Zenas Maxim.

In Portland, Feb. 8th, Benjamin H. Jones, aged 50 y.; a member of Saco Lodge.

In Lisbon, Feb. 26th, James B. Moore, aged 91 y. (See editorial.)

In Deering, March 9, William A. Pearce, aged 54 y. 11 m. He was born in London, England, April, 1829. His father came to Boston, and was a successful plumber. The son came to Portland soon after 1850, and has been a leading plumber here ever since. He joined Ancient Land-Mark Lodge in 1854, having been made in Boston, and took the higher degrees in Mount Vernon Chapter and Portland Commandery.

In Saccarappa, April 3d, John R. Babb, aged 59 y. He was a member of Temple Lodge, Eagle Chapter and Portland Commandery.

In Freeport, April 8th, George Randall, aged 83 y. Buried by Freeport Lodge.

In Portland, April 22d, Capt. Christopher C. Dalley, aged 55 y. He was a member of Ancient Land-Mark Lodge, Greenleaf Chapter, St. Alban Commandery and the Scottish Rite.

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