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OCTOBER.

October comes across the hill
Like some light ghost, she is so still,
Though her sweet cheeks are rosy;
And through the floating thistle-down
Her trailing, brier-tangled gown
Gleams like a crimson posy.

The crickets in the stubble chime;
Lanterns flash out at milking time;
The daisy's lost her ruffles;
The wasps the honeyed pippins try;
A film is over the blue sky,
A spell the river muffles.

The golden rod fades in the sun;
The spider's gauzy veil is spun
Athwart the drooping sedges;
The nuts drop softly from their burrs;
No bird-song the dim silence stirs,
A blight is on the hedges.

But filled with fair content is she,
As if no frost could ever be,
To dim her brown eyes' lustre;
And much she knows of fairy folk
That dance beneath the spreading oak
With tinkling mirth and bluster.

She listens when the dusky eyes
Step softly on the fallen leaves,
As if for message cheering;
And it must be that she can hear,
Beyond November grim and drear,
The feet of Christmas nearing.
—[Susan Hartley, in *St. Nicholas*,

MASONRY IN MAINE.

Lodge Elections.

Naval, 184, Kittery. Horace Mitchell, Jr., m; Theo Wilcox, sw; J H Gatchell, jw; Levi L Goodrich, sec.

Polar Star, 114, Bath. William R Palmer, m; William H Swett, sw; Frank A Palmer, jw; Albert G Eaton, sec.

Oxford, 18, Norway. Samuel R Knowland, m; George W Holmes, sw; Charles H Sargent, jw; Howard D Smith, sec.

Jefferson, 100, Bryant's Pond. Arthur C Ricker, m; W Frank Harding, sw; Walter H Small, jw; Alden Chase, sec.

Star in the East, 60, Oldtown. Marion F Tyler, m; George L Godfrey, sw; John Bachelder, jw; George T. Sewall, sec.

Liberty, 111, Liberty. Lucius C Morse, m; James Leman, sw; Gustavus H Cargill, jw; Ambrose P Cargill, sec.

Ancient York, 155, Lisbon Falls. James W Card, m; James A Underwood, sw; Alonzo Purinton, jw; James H Eacott, sec.

Asylum, 133, Wayne. Charles W. Crosby, m; James M Pike, sw; Henry Balentine, jw; Williston Jennings, sec, North Wayne.

Rural, 53, Sidney. Simon C. Hastings, m; Nathan A Benson, sw; Albert H Reynolds, jw; Charles T Hamlen, sec.

Quantabacook, 129, Searsmont. Aaron B Ripley, m; Ariel B Knight, sw; Allen L Maddocks, jw; William S Cox, sec.

Village, 26, Bowdoinham. John L. Browne, m; George H Blodgett, sw; Charles W Frost, jw; Benj L Higgins, sec.

Sebasticook, 146, Clinton. Benjamin T Foster, m; Joseph F Rolfe, sw; Brainard G True, jw; Ruel W Gerald, sec.

Corinthian, 95, Hartland. Edwin A. Bean, m; William H. Moore, sw; W. E. Dearborne, jw; John S. Page, sec.

Chapter Elections.

St. George's 45, Liberty. Gustavus H Cargill, m; James Leman, k; Calvin H Smith, s; Ambrose P. Cargill, sec.

Constitution.

DeValois Commandery of Knights Templar, at Vinalhaven, was constituted by Grand Commander John O. Shaw, October 14th. Claremont Commandery, of Rockland, and Palestine, of Belfast, accompanied the Grand Officers. This commandery is named for Charles de Valois, 41st Grand Master of the Templars, in 1615. He was of the royal family of France.

The great fire at Eastport 14th October, seems to have burned Masonic Hall. If that is so, Eastern Lodge, Eastern Chapter and St. Bernard Commandery will have lost heavily.

Festivities.

Lewiston Commandery made an excursion to Moosehead Lake, July 28th. On their return, St. John's Commandery entertained them at Bangor.

Bradford Commandery, of Biddeford, made an excursion to Bridgton, July 29th.

The ladies of Warren, hearing from Rev. A. G. Pettengill, pastor of the Congregational Church, was to take the third degree, formed a "lodge of secrecy" and had a banquet prepared at the Town Hall, to which all the members of St. George Lodge were invited. Sixty-four masons were present, and sixty ladies, uniformed in white aprons and blue ribbons, waited on the tables.

In England, they had a Scarborough Freemason's picnic, July 24th. So they did here August 5th. Atlantic Lodge went and had a clambake here. In England they went to a baronet's country-seat, and had a tea.

VISITING KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.—St. John received a visit yesterday from five Sir

Knights of Dunlap Commandery, K. T., of Bath, Me., who had been on an official visit in their capacity as Grand Commandery Officers to Calais and Eastport, accompanied by their ladies. The knightly party comprised Grand Commander John O. Shaw; Past Grand Commander John W. Ballou; Grand Junior Warden Edwin M. Fuller; Sir Knight Edward Beaumont and Sir Knight Frank H. Purington. They first attended the reunion of St. Bernard Commandery, at Eastport, on the 10th and 11th. A number of the Knights from Calais, Pembroke and Machias participated in the procession, Tuesday afternoon, and the Knights Templar ball that evening at the armory. The procession was headed by the Eastport brass band, followed by St. Bernard Commandery, T. M. Bibber, E. C., escorting the Grand Officers and others in carriages. Grand Commander Shaw was received with knightly honors at the Passamaquoddy House, and escorted to his carriage, the same honors being rendered at the conclusion of the march. Among those in carriages was the Hon. Horace C. Bacon, of Worcester, 32°, who was visiting there with his family.

The ball in the evening at the Frontier Guards Armory was a brilliant affair. The youth and beauty of Eastport and its visitors were well represented, and those participating appeared to heartily enjoy the ball. The Maine State College orchestra furnished excellent music. Wednesday the visitors took in Campobello, and were driven to Matthew's Beach to partake of achowder at 1 p. m. In the evening the Grand Officers were received at asylum, orders were conferred and banquet. Tuesday morning, through the courtesy of Gen. Leavitt and W. P. Paine, the Grand Commandery officers, and their ladies enjoyed a ride about town.

Thursday the Grand Officers went to Calais, where Hugh de Payens Commandery entertained the distinguished visitors, according them a hearty reception. Also conferred the orders in the evening, after which an elegant banquet was served at Border City Hotel, at which the pleasure of having the presence of the ladies of Calais and St. Stephen made the occasion a delightful one. Yesterday they arrived in town over the Grand Southern railway, and leave this morning by the Flying Yankee for home.—[*St. John Telegraph*, Aug. 14th.

Royal and Select Masters.

The General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters met in triennial session Sept. 28, at Washington.

But little business appeared to engage the attention of the members.

The following officers were elected to serve for the three ensuing years:

Geo. H. Pinckard, G. G. M., Louisiana.
Geo. W. Cooley, G. G. D. M., Minnesota.
O. A. B. Senter, G. G. P. C. W., Ohio.
Frank H. Bascom, G. G. Treasurer.
Henry W. Mordhurst, G. G. Rec., Indiana.
Rev. J. W. Dadmun, G. G. Chap., Mass.
John Coburn, G. G. C. of G., New York.
Henry S. Orme, G. G. C. of C., California.
Geo. McCahan, G. G. Marshal, Maryland.
Bradford Nicol, G. G. Steward, Tennessee.

—[*Light*, Kansas.

Books, Papers, etc.

—*Woodward's Musical Monthly* (842 Broadway, N. Y.). The July number contains Jou Jou Polka, Mignon, Warrior's March, We're Homeward Bound and Day Break. Price 10c.

—*Masonic News*. A new twelve page quarto, published semi-monthly in Montreal, by C. H. Sorley. Price, \$1 a year. We welcome it as an exchange.

—*Buletin Oficial del Gr. Or. de España y Revista Masonica* Organo del Sup. Cons. y de la Sup. Gr. Log. Simb. Año XIII, Nos. 15 to 24. This valuable volume is received from the Grand Secretary of the Grand Orient with thanks.

—*History of Freemasonry in Maryland*, by Edward T. Schultz. No. 4 of volume 2 is received, continuing the history from 1820 to 1840. It includes the attempt to establish a General Grand Lodge, and the building of a masonic hall.

—*The Advocate* is a new four-page monthly published at Bloomington, Illinois, by J. S. Garrett, \$1. It gives especial attention to the Bloomington Masonic Aid Association, of which the editor is Secretary.

—*The New York Club and Association Record* is a monthly giving a full list of associations of every kind in New York City. The list of masonic bodies fills nearly six columns, the lodges occupying four. \$1 a year.

—*The Master Mason* is the name of a new masonic monthly, four-page folio (21x30) published by L. D. Boynton, 62 Tribune Building, Minneapolis, Minn., at \$1 a year. It is endorsed by Grand Secretary Pierson, which is a guarantee of Bro. Boynton's ability, while the field is evidently ample for the support of such a paper. We welcome it to our exchange list.

—*Boletim Oficial do Grande Oriente Lusitano Unido Supremo Conselho da Maçonaria Portugueza* is received. Will the publisher kindly address our copy to Portland, Maine, instead of Oregon?

—*Sydenham and Hahnemann*, by Bro. F. B. Stephenson, M. D., U. S. Navy, is a reprint from the New York Medical Journal, of an article arguing that to Sydenham and not Hahnemann is due the credit of reducing doses and restoring the teaching of Hippocrates.

—*History of Warren Lodge*, No. 2, of East Machias, Me., by Herbert Harris. The author has given a brief sketch of this old lodge from 1778 to 1886, in twenty-two pages. It was the seventh lodge chartered by the Grand Lodge of Ancient Masons in Massachusetts, and was named for Gen. Joseph Warren, who fell at Bunker Hill. The author refers to the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Maine, 1884, as saying that this lodge assisted in educating the orphan children of the General, and remarks that he can find no confirmation of the statement, either in the lodge records or in those of the ancient Grand Lodge. In its 108 years of existence, 330 candidates have been initiated,

and 386 have been enrolled in membership. Its present membership is 87. Its daughter lodges are Tuscan, at Columbia, 1798, (now extinct), Eastern, No. 7, at Eastport, Washington, 37, at Lubec, Narragausus, 88, at Cherryfield, Harwood, 91, at Machias, and Lookout, 131, at Cutler. Although brief, the account of early days and early masons is quite interesting. The book is a small octavo, printed by C. O. Furbush, Machias.

—*History of Freemasonry in Maryland*, Vol. II, No. 5, by Edward T. Schultz, continues the history from the year 1820 to 1828. In the opening pages we find the account of a public installation in 1823 at Easton, Talbot County, which is respectfully referred to the *Keystone*. Another is recorded in 1826. A decision of Grand Lodge is recorded in 1824, that the Grand Master has not the power to grant a dispensation to initiate a candidate under twenty-one years of age. An account is given of LaFayette laying the corner-stone of the DeKalb monument at Annapolis in 1824. The statue was unveiled the present year, 62 years later. In 1825, we find the Grand Lodge concurring with the Grand Lodge of Maine and others, in respect to the Washington monument, lately completed. John H. B. Latrobe, initiated 1825, is recorded as the oldest mason in Maryland. We have several earlier initiated living in Maine. The history given of old and extinct lodges is very valuable. Nine parts have thus far been issued at 50c. each.

—Col. Carroll D. Wright, *Commissioner of Labor*, favors us with his first annual report for March, 1886. It is a volume of 496 octavo pages, full of most valuable statistics, arranged and compared with that peculiar clearness for which Bro. Wright is celebrated. Their value can best be appreciated by a careful study of them.

—The Sup. Council of France and its Dependencies in *re Joseph Cerneau*, published by the Supreme Council, S. M. J., is a pamphlet of 72 pages, received from Bro. Albert Pike. Its object is to give French testimony that Cerneau was not a legitimate 33°.

—*Poems by David Barker*, with a biographical sketch by Hon. John E. Godfrey. Our Maine readers all know Bro. David Barker and his poems, and his fame has spread far in other states. A new red line edition of his complete works has been issued from the press of O. F. Knowles & Co., Bangor, and it is for sale in Portland at the office of the *TOKEN*, 37 Plum Street, by Bro. W. L. Harvey, agent. The gilt edge at \$2 and red edge at \$1.50. It is a handsome volume and elegantly bound. Sixteen poems in the collection are on masonic subjects.

—*The Freemasons' Repository*, of Providence, commences its sixteenth volume with the October number. We have frequently, in private, advised our friends to subscribe for it, and we are willing to publicly admit our strong prejudice in favor of this magazine and its editor, Bro. Rugg, not to mention a strong predilection for Bro. Freeman, the

publisher, and his honorable and liberal business ways. The September number has a steel portrait of John H. Lynde, with a memoir.

A singular incident at a masonic meeting is reported to have taken place the other night. The Somerset Freemasons held a Grand Lodge at Taunton, when the P. G. M., the Earl of Carnarvon, was present. Among the P. G. Officers who came forward to be invested was a brother bearing the significant name of Bro. O'Connor Parnell. The mention of the name elicited an amused titter in the otherwise decorous assembly, for no one had anticipated an "interview" between Parnell and Carnarvon in the Masonic Hall at Taunton. However, the noble Earl proved himself equal to the occasion, and with a bland smile he boldly said: "Bro. Parnell, I have great pleasure in investing you with this, the collar of your Prov. Grand Lodge Office. I am sure masonry has no more loyal and faithful brother than you." It is necessary to add that the Taunton Bro. Parnell is a staunch Tory.—[*York Herald*.]

Templar Statistics for 1886.

BY STEPHEN BERRY.

GRAND COMMANDERIES.	Returns for	Subordinates.	Members.	Knights.
Alabama, May 19,.....	'86 6	195	11	
Arkansas, May 11,.....	'86 9	317	35	
California, April 29,.....	'86 25	1,979	126	
Colorado, Sept. 18,.....	'85 13	654	89	
Connecticut, March 16,.....	'86 11	1,495	78	
Dakota, May 11,.....	'86 8	381	89	
Georgia, May 19,.....	'86 8	403	24	
Illinois, Oct. 27,.....	'85 56	6,299	389	
Indiana, April 27,.....	'86 31	2,515	182	
Iowa, Oct. 22,.....	'85 48	8,307	240	
Kansas, May 11,.....	'86 26	1,587	175	
Kentucky, May 12,.....	'86 23	1,464	66	
Louisiana, Feb. 12,.....	'86 4	313	12	
Maine, May 5,.....	'86 15	1,898	115	
Maryland, Nov. 24,.....	'85 7	761	19	
Mass. & R. I., Oct. 28,.....	'85 40	6,684	297	
Michigan, May 11,.....	'86 36	8,650	310	
Minnesota, June 24,.....	'86 18	1,484	116	
Mississippi, Feb. 9,.....	'86 12	314	5	
Missouri, May 5,.....	'85 46	2,472	214	
Nebraska, April 14,.....	'85 15	702	65	
N. Hamp., Sept. 29,.....	'85 9	1,255	69	
New Jersey, May 11,.....	'86 14	1,198	43	
New York, Oct. 13,.....	'85 55	7,562	433	
N. Carolina, Aug. 26,.....	'85 7	174	11	
Ohio, Oct. 8,.....	'85 39	5,259	291	
Pennsylvania, May 25,.....	'86 61	7,413	481	
Tennessee, May 18,.....	'86 14	797	36	
Texas, April 15,.....	'85 17	923	98	
Vermont, June 8,.....	'86 9	873	69	
Virginia, Nov. 18,.....	'85 16	857	54	
W. Virginia, May 12,.....	'86 8	331	21	
Wisconsin, Oct. 13,.....	'85 19	1,752	94	
G. En. subordinates,.....	'83 *27	2,031	
Total, in U. S.,.....	'86 752	69,299	4,357	
Canada, July 7,.....	'85 26	855	98	
England & Wales,.....	'86 106	2,900		
Ireland,.....	'86 45	1,300		
Scotland,.....	'86 10	450		

Total, in world,.....'86 939 74,804 4,455
*Less Dakota.

From this it will be seen that the total membership of Templars in the world is 74,804. Scotland, the mother country of the Order, or, at least, the remotest point to which we can at present trace it, has but 450 members under her authority, or $\frac{1}{16}$ of one per cent. of the whole, and nearly half of them are in New Brunswick. Certainly the

Templar seed was there sown in stony ground. Ireland, the second point, or the one through which we trace to Mother Kilwinning, has but 1,300, or $1\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. Catholicism probably restricts it there. England and Wales, and her Colonies all over the world (excepting Canada) has 2,900 or $3\frac{7}{8}$ per cent. of the whole. Yet there everything favors it, and the Prince of all the Land leads them on. Canada has 855, or $1\frac{1}{4}$ per cent., and the United States have 69,299, or $92\frac{3}{8}$ per cent.

The gain in the United States is 1,928, or 3 per cent., a falling off from last year, when it was $4\frac{1}{4}$ per cent., and yet this is the triennial year.

COMPARISON OF NORTH AMERICAN STATISTICS.

	Templars.	Royal Arch.	Master Masons.	Percentage of Templars to M. M.'s.
1879	49,924	128,196	582,586	8.50
1880	50,681	127,025	573,317	8.84
1881	53,734	127,105	567,128	$9.47\frac{1}{2}$
1882	55,186	128,557	566,149	9.75
1883	59,835	132,737	579,826	10.32
1884	65,396	137,617	587,321	$11.13\frac{1}{2}$
1885	68,226	140,960	593,164	11.50
1886	70,154	142,194	596,464	$11.76\frac{1}{4}$

Royal Arch Statistics for 1886.

BY J. H. DRUMMOND.

Grand Chapters.	Members.	Exaltations.
Alabama,.....	504	32
Arkansas,.....	1,394	95
California,.....	4,444	237
Canada,.....	8,701	215
Colorado,.....	1,152	128
Connecticut,.....	4,237	137
Dakota,.....	840	137
Delaware,.....	275	7
Dist. of Columbia,.....	1,176	56
Florida,.....	228	5
Georgia,.....	1,017	70
Illinois,.....	11,816	596
Indiana,.....	4,872	270
Iowa,.....	6,271	450
Kansas,.....	2,714	240
Kentucky,.....	2,390	163
Louisiana,.....	626	16
Maine,.....	4,296	152
Maryland,.....	1,197	88
Massachusetts,.....	9,638	463
Michigan,.....	8,528	469
Minnesota,.....	2,784	170
Mississippi,.....	1,195	35
Missouri,.....	4,900	345
Nebraska,.....	1,442	160
Nevada,.....	352	32
New Hampshire,.....	2,450	105
New Jersey,.....	2,491	74
New York,.....	15,288	759
North Carolina,.....	914	21
Nova Scotia,.....	507	38
Ohio,.....	10,532	543
Oregon,.....	779	30
Pennsylvania,.....	11,572	625
Quebec,.....	485	28
Rhode Island,.....	1,708	59
South Carolina,.....	354	21
Tennessee,.....	1,891	83
Texas,.....	3,677	256
Vermont,.....	2,035	63
Virginia,.....	1,230	67
Washington,.....	235	43
West Virginia,.....	519	32
Wisconsin,.....	3,988	224
Total,	142,194	7,839

The total membership is 142,194, against 140,960 in 1885: the Exaltations are 7,839,

against 9,469 in 1885: the Admissions and Restorations, are 1,322, against 2,029 in 1885: the Dimissions are 3,014, against 2,985 in 1885: the Expulsions are 74, against 92 in 1885: the Suspensions (including suspensions from membership and names dropped from the roll) are 2,925, against 2,771 in 1885: and the deaths are 1,854, against 1,516 in 1885.

Old Masonic Workings.

We sometimes seem not quite clearly to realize what masonic "Workings" do and do not exist, and it may therefore be well to try and ascertain to-day what is really known about them. In 1717, when the Grand Lodge of the South was set up, there were two main "Workings" no doubt existing, the one used by the York masons, the other by the four lodges which assembled at the Apple Tree, and formed the oldest Grand Lodge now in the world. What those "Workings" were we know nothing, and can only imperfectly judge so far by subsequent and suspicious evidence. I leave out of consideration here any theory of St. John's or Unattached masons, who may have existed, and probably did.

Of this York "Working," little or nothing, as we said just now, is known, but we may assume, from entries in the minutes of the York Lodge, that a ceremonial of some kind longer or shorter, it matters nothing, was in use. Could the 1705 Minute Book, so long missing, be found, and which may probably still exist, amid the old Minute Books at Freemason's Hall, we might obtain further "indicæ" of that ceremonial. But up to date no one that we are aware of has ever actually seen the "York Working." From time to time, claims have been made of "York Working," but when looked into, they generally are found to be modern adaptations. As far as we are aware, after much anxious search, no genuine MS. copy of York Workings exists, or even of any other working until late in the last century, and though such MSS. may be hid away, they certainly so far have escaped discovery.

What is often called "York Working" is mostly an early eighteenth century system, in fact, "Hemming's," with some traces of Preston. A bona fide York Working, we repeat, does not, to our knowledge, exist, and it would require a good deal of proof to convince us of the fact. At the same time a "MS." is a "MS.," and there is no difficulty among experts in arriving at a very approximate certainty of age and date. If therefore, Bro. Hollon claims to have the old "York Working," the MS. ought to be shown to those who have studied the question. As far as we know, there was no actual working of the York Grand Lodge after about the latter part of the last century. Its more prosperous rival completely got the upper hand, and the York Grand Lodge died out from inanition and neglect. The "Antients" had nothing to do with York truly. Dermott, or some one else, in order to popularize their schism, interpolated "Antient York Masons;" but it was a misnomer and a fraud.

The Antient Working, such as we have seen about 1801, is more akin to the Prestonian than anything else, and if we may be at this distance of time permitted to express an opinion on the subject, we should say that the old York Working would be very little different from the Prestonian, all such differences would be mainly in fuller or more curtailed verbiage. We have ourselves sought hard to find the old York Working, and, therefore, if Brother Hollon has it we hope he will be good enough to enable masonic experts to judge of its reality and genuineness.

The working of the freemasons of London who formed the Grand Lodge of 1717, re-

ceived, as time ran on, many modifications, and was separated into several forms. The Moderns and Antients (a schism from the Moderns) had somewhat different workings, and Preston later on in the eighteenth century, still further revised the "Working." At the end of this century, and at the Union there were four workings extant, Moderns, Antients, the Grand Lodge of York, if it still existed, Prestonian, and we think we may add a fifth, which some have termed the "Oxford" working, but which is practically a combination of all these workings, and is spread through the South of England more or less. After 1818 Hemming revised the working which is still extensively used, and is kept up in the Stability Lodge of Instruction, and his working was again revised by Bro. Williams, and is that now known as "Emulation." Thus now there are the remains undoubtedly of four workings, and it is alleged of "old York," and also of that system we have called Oxford, though without any just authority.

There also may be traces of a pre-1813 working in use among the Moderns. All through the north of England we are often told this is "old York," that is "old York," but whenever we have sought to clear up the doubt, we have always found ourselves that such a name was without reason.

Hence, though we do not say that it is impossible to find, we doubt much the existence of the working used by the old York masons. We believe, on the contrary, that as the London Grand Lodge absorbed eventually the York Grand Lodge, so London working superseded York working, and we doubt if any brother exists who can clearly tell us where one begins and the other ends, or what is the real difference between the two.

The question is one of great interest to all who care for the archaeology and history of our masonic ceremonial, and it is a subject on which we can write dispassionately and serenely, without the animus of antagonists, or the heat of controversialists.

Brother Hollon's words are so distinct, that were it not for our researches and disappointment in the matter, we should feel bound to accept his "dicta." If, therefore, he will write to the editor of the Freemason, he may be certain of courteous consideration and dispassionate judgment.—[*London Freemason*.]

The financial position of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales is very encouraging. After paying off considerable liabilities during the past twelve months, there is a large sum to its credit. The amount of £23,700 has been paid to the Benevolent Fund, and the incoming year promises to yield a considerable income.—[*The Freemason*.]

Sweetheart, Good-bye.

Sweetheart, good-bye! the fluttering sail

Is spread to waft me far from thee;

And soon, before the fav'ring gale,

My ship shall bound upon the sea.

Perchance all desolate and forlorn

These eyes shall miss thee many a year;

But forgotten every charm,

Tho' lost to sight to mem'ry dear.

Sweetheart, good-bye! one last embrace!

O, cruel fate, true souls to sever;

Yet in this heart's most sacred place

Thou, thou alone shalt dwell forever!

And still shall recollection trace

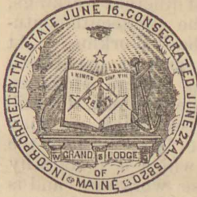
In Fancy's mirror ever near

Each smile, each tear—that form that face—

Tho' lost to sight, to mem'ry dear.

—[*Greenwich Magazine*, for Mar. 1701. 121]

RECORDING OF CHARTERS.



The vote passed some years since by the Grand Lodge, requiring lodges to get their charters recorded, has been complied with to a large extent; but forty-five charters are yet unrecorded.

The officers of those lodges are earnestly requested to send them to the Grand Secretary to be put on record. The expense to the lodge will be only for getting it here and back, and it need not be away more than three or four days.

The lodges delinquent in this respect are as follows:

No. 8 United,	No. 89 Island,
14 Solar,	92 Siloam,
18 Oxford,	97 Bethel,
32 Hermon,	98 Katahdin,
40 Lygonia,	101 Nezinscot,
45 Central,	102 Marsh River,
52 Mosaic,	106 Tuscan,
53 Rural,	107 Day Spring,
55 Fraternal,	108 Relief,
63 Richmond,	114 Polar Star,
66 Mechanic's,	116 Lebanon,
67 Blue Mountain,	122 Marine,
69 Howard,	123 Franklin,
71 Rising Sun,	126 Timothy Chase,
72 Pioneer,	127 Presumpscot,
74 Bristol,	128 Eggenoggin,
76 Arundel,	129 Quantabacook,
78 Crescent,	130 Trinity,
80 Keystone,	132 Mount Tir'em,
82 St. Paul's,	135 Riverside,
83 St. Andrew's,	140 Mount Desert,
87 Benevolent,	141 Augusta.
88 Narraguagus,	

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Darius Red Cross Council

In the history of Portland Commandery, on page 4, appears a copy of a Charter of Recognition from the United States Grand Encampment, in 1806, to Darius Council. This lacked the signatures, but Bro. Henry J. Parker, Supt. of Masonic Temple, Boston, has lately found the original charter and supplied the deficiency. They were:

Thomas Smith Webb, Gen. Grand Master.
Henry Fowle, Grand Generalissimo.
Jonathan Gage, Grand Captain General.
Otis Ammidon, Grand Recorder.

The charter is engrossed on a large sheet of parchment (26x30 inches), entirely in the beautiful chirography of Grand Recorder Ammidon, excepting the signatures of the other Grand Officers. The seal is attached to pink and green ribbons, each laced in to show eight bars. It is in a tin box, after the English fashion. The device is a triangle with coffin and candles. The legend is "General Grand Encampment of Knights Templars," &c.

Bro. Parker not only supplied the missing data but also presented the document to Portland Commandery, who returned him a most grateful vote of thanks and ordered it framed for preservation. It is in excellent preservation.

Bro. Theodore T. Gurney, of Chicago, has been severely ill from a stroke of paralysis, for some time, but we hear that he is slowly gaining. We earnestly hope that he may be fully restored to health. No one would be more missed than he.

Wood of the Cross.

Grand Commander John O. Shaw sends us a piece of this wood which has in the heart of the grain a perfect cross. Bro. Goss, of Bath, thus describes it:

This wood, called by the Venezuelans, "Palo la Cruz," "Wood of the Cross," was procured by me Feb. 22, 1886, in a valley at the base of the mountain Buen Pastor (Good Shepherd), on the San Juan River (called by Humboldt the Arev).

The natives claim that it will stop the flow of blood, and it was related to me that it was discovered by one who was some distance from his home cutting wood when he cut his foot. He started for his hut. The wound bled profusely, and he doubted whether he should be able to reach his home. Faint from the loss of blood he leaned against this tree with his foot on the root (they all go bare-footed), when the blood stopped flowing. He examined the tree, bound up the wound with the bark of the tree, and reached home without difficulty.

When they cut the tree down, they found the cross. Hence its name.

Yours fraternally,

G. C. Goss.

Bro. C. P. Babcock has kindly polished the wood, and it will be preserved in the Cabinet of Portland Masonic Library.

We were again favored by Sir Knight A. W. Jackson, of San Francisco, with a crate of magnificent grapes, such as are only raised in California: Muscat of Alexandria, Flaming Tokay and Emperor, each more excellent than the other. We return our thanks for this fraternal remembrance of the Pacific coast.

We were favored with an invitation to the ninth annual fair of the Ossipee Valley Union Agricultural Association at Cornish, Sept. 7-9, from Bro. James C. Ayer, Secretary.

Found Among the Rubbish.

At a recent meeting of Portland Council, No. 4, R. and S. M., P. T. I. M. C. O. Leach presented a silver trowel formerly owned by the Council, stating that it was lost at the time of the great fire in 1866, and was afterward recovered and presented to the Council by P. M. I. Grand Master Gordon R. Garden, since deceased; at that time it was intended to have it suitably inscribed and preserved among the archives. Companion Leach, having looked up the matter, had found the trowel in safe keeping, and had caused it to be engraved as originally intended.

The Council will preserve this relic, a

second time restored, as one possessing great interest. The trowel is four and three-quarters inches in length, and bears the following inscription:

"This trowel being the only one left of two dozen, formerly used by Portland Council, was found among the rubbish after the Great Fire of 1866 and restored to the Council by P. M. I. G. M. Gordon R. Garden."

C.

George Peirce.

Our venerable brother, George Peirce, who has long been one of the oldest in attendance on Grand Lodge, died at his residence in Harrison, August 3d, at the advanced age of eighty-seven years and one month. He had been a member of the Legislative, and of Governor Lot M. Morrill's Council, besides serving as a justice of the peace for nearly half a century. He was greatly devoted to Oriental Lodge, of Bridgton, of which he was a charter member, and had long been endeavoring to secure a complete file of Grand Lodge proceedings for its library. In this he had nearly succeeded. He was a peculiarly amiable and attractive man, and his kindly face will be much missed from the Grand Lodge meetings.

Mr. Ingraham of this city, our consul at Cadiz, Spain, who was ordered by the State Department to Tangiers, Morocco, to investigate the charges against Consul Matthews, of that port, has reported, fully exonerating Bro. Matthews.

Templars who went to the Triennial of San Francisco, will remember Miss May Dean, the lovely daughter of Grand Master Dean, who, with her mother, accompanied him on that occasion. On the 6th of October she was married to Mr. Walter Tufts at the residence of her father in South Boston. Mr. Tufts is engaged in the paint and oil trade in Boston, and we congratulate him very much. They will receive at 13 Arlington Street, Boston, Nov. 3d, 10th and 17th.

We are pleased to learn that John W. Simons, of New York, is back at work again.

Rufus Stanley.

Bro. Rufus Stanley, an old Past Master of Atlantic Lodge, and a Past District Deputy Grand Master, died of Bright's disease, Aug. 11th, at his residence in Portland, aged sixty-five years, three months and eleven days. He was proprietor of a brewery in Lawrence, Mass., and had accumulated a considerable property. He left a widow and a large family of sons and daughters. He was buried with Templar services by St. Alban Commandery, the 13th.

Grand Encampment.

The Grand Encampment met in St. Louis, Sept. 21st. Grand Master Withers came from Hong Kong to attend the session, but was not well enough to be present at the opening, and Dep. Gr. Master Roome pre-

sided. The appeals from Indiana and Michigan of subordinates against the rights of the Grand Commanderies to charter new Commanderies without their consent, was decided in favor of the plenary power of Grand Commanderies. The right to prescribe uniforms, except shoulder straps, was left to Grand Commanderies. In other matters the supremacy of the Grand Encampment was maintained. The proposition to strike out of the vow of office "and code of statutes" was negatived, also the proposition to change the qualification for membership (the trinitarian test, we suppose.) The recognition of the Supreme Great Priory of Canada was disapproved, and a policy of non-intervention in the matter of the Scottish Encampments was adopted. Two new commanderies were reported in Washington Territory, two in Wyoming, one in Utah, one in Montana, one in Oregon, and one in New Mexico.

The old Webb ritual from Massachusetts and Rhode Island was adopted.

The veteran Grand Recorder Parvin, and Grand Treasurer Simons were dropped for some reason not yet explained.

\$2,000 was voted to Charleston sufferers.

The following officers were elected:

G. M., Charles Roome, New York City.

Dep. Gr. Master, John P. S. Gobin, Lebanon, Penn.

Grand Gen., H. McCurdy, Corinna, Mich.

Gr. Capt. Gen., Warren La Rue Thomas, Louisville, Ky.

Gr. Sen. Warden, George C. Perkins, San Francisco, Cal.

Gr. Jun. Warden, R. H. Lloyd, San Francisco, Cal.

Gr. Tr., H. Wales Lines, Meriden, Conn.

Gr. Rec., W. B. Isaacs, Richmond, Va.

Gr. Prel., Rev. J. G. Webster New York.

Gr. St. B., John R. Parsons, St. Louis, Mo.

Gr. Sw. B., Nicholas Van Slyck, Providence, R. I.

Gr. Warder, Nicholas R. Ruckle, Indianapolis, Ind.

Gr. Capt. Guards, Edwin F. Warren, Nebraska City, Neb.

The next Triennial Conclave will be held at Washington, D. C., Oct. 8, 1889.

The Charity Day Exhibition Drill and Concert was a great success, and \$75,000 was secured for the projected Masonic Home. The Grand Parade was postponed till Thursday, on account of inclement weather, and the procession was four and an eighth miles long and occupied one hour and a half passing a given point. On that evening there was a parade of the Trades' Display Association, which was very fine. The illumination and decoration of streets also attracted great attention.

Bro. Drummond was continued chairman of the committee to codify the decisions.

General Grand Chapter.

The twenty-sixth triennial convocation was held at Washington, Sept. 28th, 29th, 30th. The Washington Commanderies and

other masonic bodies escorted the Grand Body to its place of meeting, where it was received and welcomed by the Grand Chapter of the District. The officers elected were:

G. G. H. P., N. D. Larnier, Washington D. C.
D. G. H. P., David F. Day, Buffalo, N. Y.
G. G. K., Jos. P. Hornor, New Orleans, La.
G. G. S., George McCahan, Baltimore, Md.

Recognition of the Grand Mark Lodge of England was refused, on account of its invasion of the jurisdiction of Quebec. Application for representation from the R. A. Masons of Australia was declined on the ground that it was not policy to establish chapters in that quarter.

Supreme Council.

The Northern Supreme Council, A. & A. S. R., met at Chicago, Sept. 14th, 15th and 16th. We are indebted to Bro. G. W. Barnard, Gr. Sec. of Oriental Consistory, and to Bro. M. F. King, our Deputy, for programs. David Cowan (mayor of Lewiston), and Silas Alden and Arlington B. Marston, of Bangor, were enrolled as honorary members.

Editorial Chips.

—Pennsylvania celebrated its centennial at Philadelphia, Sept. 24th and 25th. The program was very interesting and many distinguished visitors were present. The historical address was by Hon. Michael Arnold.

—An interesting masonic exhibition was recently held at Shanklin in the Isle of Wight. There were fifteen hundred exhibits.

—Will the *Cadiz Masonico* oblige us by adding Maine to the address of the *TOKEN*, as their paper now goes to the dead letter office, where it is addressed anew to this state.

—Andrew M. Wolihin, of Macon, is now Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Georgia.

—Hon. Geo. F. Edmunds and U. S. Minister Phelps are both members of the masonic fraternity in Vermont, according to the Keystone.

—Charles Newell Towle, of Concord, has been elected Grand Commander, and George Perley Cleaves, of Concord, Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of New Hampshire.

—Wm. A. Foote, Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Commandery of Indiana, died Sept. 10th of typhoid fever, at the age of thirty-eight.

—There are eleven lodges and 448 masons in Prince Edward Island.

—There are nine chapters and 235 Royal Arch Masons in Washington Territory.

—The Great Priory of Canada has voted a jewel to Grand Recorder Parvin, its representative near the Grand Encampment.

—Grand Prior Moore, in his latest allocution, recommends the formation of a provincial Grand Priory in New Brunswick, as suggested by the *TOKEN*. We are glad to see

this kindly assent to an honorable settlement of the vexed question. It is now the turn of our New Brunswick fratres to act in brotherly accord.

—Some of our exchanges are felicitating themselves for having lady subscribers. The *TOKEN* has some who derive considerable pleasure from having it to lend to their husbands who are masons, but not subscribers.

—Indiana is cutting off decayed lodges. In most cases the lodges have suffered from the decay of the villages where they are located. As that almost never happens in Maine, we may congratulate ourselves that Maine is still a thriving state.

—Bro. Hubert of the *Chaine d'Union* has received his dimitt from masonic bodies under the Grand Orient, and has joined those under the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite, which has not gone astray from universal masonry.

—Will the *Chaine d'Union* kindly add *Maine* to the address of the *MASONIC TOKEN*, so it shall not go to Oregon?

Ira Berry, Grand Secretary.

This veteran completed his eighty-fifth year September the 23d. He has thus entered upon his eighty-sixth year, has recovered from his serious illness and is seen on our streets and welcomed by all. No citizen of Portland is held in higher esteem than our venerable brother, who has tried to live as masonry dictates.—[*Odd Fellows' Register and Masonic Journal*.]

Templar Dates.

1. Templar Order given in St. Andrews Chapter, Boston, 1769.
2. Encampment Staten Island, 1783.
3. St. Andrews Lodge, Charleston, S. C., August 1, 1783.
4. Maryland Commandery, No. 1, 1790.
5. Philadelphia Commandery, No. 1, 1794.
6. Washington Commandery, Hartford, 1796.
7. Grand Commandery Penn., May 12, 1797.
8. St. John's Commandery, Providence, 1802.
9. Boston Commandery as Red Cross Encampment, 1802.
10. Commandery Granville, N. Y., English charter, Sept. 1, 1803.

THE ROYAL ARCH.—Bro. William James Hughan, the masonic historian, in the *Freemason* of July 11th, states the following to be the present chronological position of the Royal Arch:

1. First printed reference to the Royal Arch in 1744.
2. First notice by "Ancients" 1752.
3. Referred to an "Ahiman Rezon," 1756.
4. Oldest chapter (Philadelphia) 1758.
5. Earliest English records (York) 1762.
6. Royal Arch Minutes (London) 1796.—[*London Times*.]

Chapter of Concord, Bolton, England, first work under lodge charter, 1768. First recorded work, 1785.

☞ We have added Chapter notices to delinquents to our list of blanks. Per hundred 65c.

AN AUTUMN RHYME.

When the breath of March was keen,
And the woods were brown and bare,
Covered from the cruel air
In a tangled bed of green,
Violets grew unplucked, unseen;
Sweet and meet to wreath your hair,
If it only could have been.

But Love's heart and hope were strong,
And he smiled, and whispered low:
"When the summer roses blow,
And the summer's swallows throng,
Though a little while be long,
She will come at last to know,
She will take our flowers and song."

Now encroaching sunset shows
That the year hath turned his face
Unto failure and disgrace,
Brooding mists and beating snows,
And along the rows
Leaf and petal fall apace,
And with each a poor hope goes.
—[B. Nichols, in the *Academy*.]

The following lodges pay \$1 or \$2 a year, receiving 11 and 22 copies of the *Token*, respectively, to distribute to the members who are promptest in attendance:

St. Andrew's, Bangor,	22 copies.
Temple, Saccarappa,	11 "
Parian, Corinna,	11 "
Molunkus, Sherman Mills,	22 "
Jonesport, Jonesport,	16 "
St. George, Warren,	11 "
Freeport, Freeport,	22 "
Hancock, Castine,	11 "
Ira Berry, Bluehill,	22 "
Warren, East Machias,	11 "
Piscataquis Chapter,	12 "
Springvale Lodge,	11 "

What lodge shall be next added?

Masonic Prodigals.

In generalizing upon masonic duties and neglects, he classes, strikingly, among the latter, "neglecting to visit our masonic homes." This gives rise to pregnant thought, upon which an essay, a lecture, a book might be written. To visit our homes, in the general sense, is a duty inherent in the noblest manhood, in the foremost filial reverence, in the highest human love. The prodigal son was welcomed back and forgiven for all his grievous faults, and his example made a parable in Holy Writ, for our admonition and guidance; because his thoughts, his recollections, his affections, his fullest awakened love, turned his steps backward toward the home he had regarded as without attractions when he turned his face toward the shallow vanities, the uncertain and evanescent pleasures and gauds of the special world of vice and dissipation. The lesson of his forgiveness and restoration to happiness is none the less pertinent, because suffering and selfishness directed his thoughts back to home. The fact that he returned was accepted as an evidence of repentance worthy the forgiveness he received. Oceans may separate the exile from his home, but distance only increases his longing to return. The man whose dearest worldly interests lead him far from his early home, and compel him to form almost inseparable connections, from which have grown the highest prosperity and the noblest friendships, seizes upon reluctant time and tears himself from all of these to return to the scenes of his youth and the surroundings of his earliest manhood.

If a mason has not at some time loved his masonic home—his lodge or his chapter, or both—if he has not formed cherished, fraternal associations, and had awakened in newly-found places in his heart the purest of social and brotherly sentiments, he has not fulfilled the promise implied when he placed his matured-considered petition in the hands of his friend or his brother.

How, then, can he forget all these! If he does this for a time, and no sentiment of awakened affection leads him, prodigal-like,

to return to the scenes of his former love, some lingering sense of duty should turn his steps again to the well-remembered halls; some freshly-considered sentiment of the heart, some timely admonition of the mind, springing from an appreciation of the general proprieties to be observed by every one according to his surroundings and the obligations he owes to his fellows, more especially to his friends, should move him as with an irresistible force, to visit, again and again, his lodge, his brethren, his chapter, his companions.

O, luke-warm mason! give these thoughts an occasional place in your mind; do not drive them away when they come; for come they will, if you are a good and a true man. Renew your once happy associations! Restore your once cherished friendships! Call back your sacred sentiments in behalf of the universal brotherhood of man.—[Thomas B. Long, in correspondence report to Grand Chapter Indiana.]

Extemporized Lectures.

He has made a number of visitations among the subordinate chapters, finding them in excellent condition, and expresses himself well pleased and gratified, especially in the correct rendering of the ritual, though he found, in one instance, while visiting Mount Vernon Chapter, at Portland, a departure by the Right Worshipful Master from the *standard ritual*, in the rendition of the lecture, that seemed to call for sharp criticism; but he ceased to wonder at the departure when he discovered the ability of the Right Worshipful Master to *extemporize so delightfully*, and felt little inclination to criticize sharply when he noticed the close attention given by the candidates to the extemporized lecture, and its apparent good effect upon them. Would that we had more of this class of Right Worshipful Masters who could extemporize so delightfully. We might not have as many lodges or chapters without the aid of a standard ritual, but if left to ability, intelligence and education alone as a standard to determine the maintenance of these bodies, while it might decrease their number, yet those that could stand the test would be vastly superior, and would do much to elevate the standard of masonry to a higher plane of intellect, where genuine talent alone would be a matter of necessity to insure a successful maintenance of lodge or chapter.

Do not think we are opposed to a standard ritual, for under the present economy of the masonic institution, we can understand the absolute necessity of it. But what we do contend for is this: if a chapter is so fortunate as to have a companion who, by superior mental ability and education, can expatiate upon the dogmas of the order in his own language, and that, too, which is, nine times out of ten, superior to the ritual in its elucidation, then we say it is the right and privilege of such a companion to be allowed exemption therefrom. We believe in progress in masonry, in fact we are told that it is a progressive science, and why should there not be progress made in the method of disseminating the principles and doctrines of the order, so long as no *innovation* is made. It matters little as to the language employed, if it proves the best to accomplish the desired end.

It has been our privilege to be present on several occasions where extempore lectures by competent brethren have been used, and, as Grand High Priest Sleeper says, it was indeed *delightful*. It was leaving the old rut, like taking to a new country in which new scenery was presented to the eye, fuller and more complete illustrations given, making a change from the stereotype language of a ritual, which, however complete and finished in language, will become monotonous to a membership who sit and listen year in and year out to the same rendition. So we say, let's have more extempore lectures from com-

petent companions, so long as no innovations are made, and the *famous landmarks* are not obliterated. We like it.—[John C. Parish in *Correspondence Report to Grand Chapter Iowa*.]

A TEMPLAR RELIC.—In the armor-room of Brougham Hall, England, is preserved the skull of one of the late Lord Brougham's ancestors, carefully preserved in a glass case—a Knight Templar, who fought in the first Crusade. This skull was taken, together with a spur, from his coffin, a few years ago, when the tomb was opened, where he was found lying with crossed legs as a good Knight Templar should lie.

Contributions to Masonic Library.

Stephen Berry—The Negro Mason in Equity—Clark.

Wood of the Cross, from Venezuela.

Ira Berry—Voice of Masonry, Vols. 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23.

J. H. Drummond—Records of Columbian Council, 1810-1823.

Our Thanks To

John M. Bramwell, Gr. Rec., for proc. Gr. Commandery Indiana, 1886.

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Geo. P. Cleaves, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Lodge, Gr. Chapter, and Gr. Council New Hampshire, 1886.

John H. Brown, Gr. Rec., for proc. Grand Commandery Kansas, 1886.

A. P. Moriarty, Gr. Sec., for Reference Pamphlet of the New York Council of Deliberation.

Sereno D. Nickerson, Gr. Sec., for proc. Grand Lodge, Mass., June, 1886.

Daniel Spry, Gr. Chancellor, for proc. Sov. Great Priory of Canada, 1886.

Edwin Wright, Gr. Sec., for proc. Mass. Council Deliberation, 1884 and 1885.

Benj. Dean, Com-in-chief, for proc. Mass. Council Deliberation, 1886.

Thomas M. Reed, Gr. Sec., for proc. Gr. Chapter Washington Ter., 1886.

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London Freemason, weekly.

Keystone, Philadelphia, Weekly, \$3.

La Cadena de Union, Vera Cruz, Mexico.

Boletin Masonico, Mexico, per year, \$6.

Masonic Review, Cincinnati, Ohio, \$2.00.

La Acacia, Buenos Aires, Monthly.

Freemason, Sydney, N. S. W., 6s. 6d.

The Orient, Budapesth, Hungary, Monthly.

Liberal Freemason, Boston, Mass., \$2.

Hebrew Leader, New York, Weekly, \$3.

Canadian Craftsman, Port Hope, Ont., \$1.50

Masonic Advocate, Indianapolis, \$1.00.

Freemasons' Repository, Prov., R. I., \$1.50.

La Chaine d'Union de Paris, Hubert, editor. The Freemason, Toronto, Canada, 50c.
Loomis' Musical Journal, N. Haven, Ct., \$1.
Masonic Chronicle, Columbus, O., \$1.
Masonic Truth, Boston, semi-monthly, 75c.
La Revista Masonica, Lima, Peru.
La Gran Logia, Havana, Cuba.
Victorian Freemason, Melbourne, Victoria.
Masonic Home Journal, Louisville, Ky.
Masonic World, Boston, Mass.
O Nivel, semi-monthly, Lisbon, Portugal.
Freemason's Journal, semi-monthly, N. Y.
Light, monthly, Topeka, Kansas.
El Taller, Sevilla, Spain.
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Illinois Freemason, Bloomington, Ill., \$1.25.
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Luce e Concordia, Naples, Italy.
La Fraternidad, La Paz, Lower California.
Advocate, Bloomington, Ill., \$1.

DIED.

In Portland, July 24, Andrew Taylor, aged 58 y. 10 m. 25 d. He was for twenty-two years an engineer on the International steamship line. He was a member of Portland Lodge, and was buried with masonic ceremonies.

In Harrison, Aug. 3, George Peirce, aged 87 y. 1 m. (See editorial.)

In Portland, August 11, Rufus Stanley, aged 65 y. 3 m. 11 d. (See editorial.)

In Boston, Aug. 17, David Hoffes, aged 51. He was a native of Waldoboro, Me., and a member of King Solomon's Lodge of that place. As a successful shipmaster he was well known and highly respected. He left a wife and six children.

In Portland, Aug. 18, of typhoid fever, George E. Thoits, aged 37. He was a member of Casco Lodge, Yarmouth, and of St. Alban Commandery, Portland. His employment was that of fireman on the Portland & Ogdensburg Railroad.

At Standish, Steep Falls, Sept. 3, Wilson Chandler, aged 40 years. He was an engineer on the Portland & Ogdensburg Railroad, and was crushed under his engine when it was thrown from the track by a misplaced switch. He was buried in Groveton, N. H., where his mother resided. His lodge and chapter membership was in Groveton, and he was a member of Portland Commandery, having received the orders April 28, 1879. He had been in the employ of the road ever since it started, and died at the post of duty.

In Oakland, Sept. 5, Ben Mantor, aged 23. He was a member of Northern Star Lodge, North Anson, and was buried by that lodge with masonic honors.

In South Hadley, Mass., Sept. 13, of Bright's disease, Joseph E. Miller, of Portland, aged 39. He was a member of Portland Lodge and Mount Vernon Chapter, and belonged to the Masonic Relief. He left a wife and three children. He was a graduate of Amherst, and once a student in a German university. He was agent for the Appletons in Maine.

The Atlantic Monthly for 1887

Will contain Serial Stories, by Mrs. OLIPHANT, the illustrious English Novelist, and F. MARION CRAWFORD, author of "Dr. Isaacs," etc.

The following writers are numbered among the many contributors to THE ATLANTIC:

Serial Stories. T. B. Aldrich, W. H. Bishop, Charles Egbert Craddock, J. W. DeForest, Thomas Hardy, Henry James, Sarah Orne Jewett.

Short Stories. Rose Terry Cooke, Charles Egbert Craddock, P. Deming, E. E. Hale, Elizabeth Stuart Phelps, H. E. Scudder, Harriet Prescott Spofford.

Poetry. T. B. Aldrich, O. W. Holmes, Lucy Larcom, T. W. Parsons, E. C. Stedman, Celia Thaxter, Edith M. Thomas, J. T. Trowbridge, J. G. Whittier.

Essays, Sketches and Criticism. Phillips Brooks, John Burroughs, James Freeman Clarke, Susan Coolidge, John Fiske, O. B. Frothingham, E. E. Hale, T. W. Higginson, Sarah Orne Jewett, Chas. G. Leland, H. C. Lodge, Francis Parkman, James Parton, Harriet W. Preston, J. P. Quincy, Edith M. Thomas, C. D. Warner, George E. Woodberry.

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We cannot describe all of these publications here. Our new illustrated catalogue contains a description of them all, and pictures from them. (Send for it, it is free.) A new book, attracting considerable attention, is "The Boys' Book of Sports and Outdoor Life," edited by Maurice Thompson,—full of healthful amusement and useful instruction, divided into such departments as "Fishing," "Archery," "Boating," "The Camera," etc., etc., and containing separate articles by various writers—many of them from ST. NICHOLAS Magazine, and all richly illustrated. It costs \$2.50, and it is worth it. We would like to sell it for less, but even at the small discount we cannot afford to. We have a Sport Book for grown-up people, about which Mr. Labouchere, editor of *London Truth*, wrote, "It is incomparably the most superbly got up book of sports I have ever come across." This too is divided into departments, and most of the articles of which they are composed appeared in SCRIBNER'S MONTHLY and THE CENTURY. It costs only \$4.00 (reduced from \$5.00).

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