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The Ould Plaid Shawl.

Not far from ould Kinvara, in the merry month
of May,
When birds were singing cheerily, there came
across my way.
As if from out the sky above an angel chanced to
fall.
A little Irish Cailin in an ould plaid shawl.
I courteously saluted her—"God save you, miss,"
says I;
"God save you, kindly, sir," said she, and shyly
passed me by;
Off went my heart along with her, a captive in
her thrall,
Imprisoned in the corner of her ould plaid shawl.
I've heard of highway robbers that with pistols
and with knives
Made trembling travelers yield them up their
money or their lives,
But think of me that handed out my heart and
head and all
To a simple little Cailin in an ould plaid shawl.
Oh! some men sigh for riches, and some live for
fame,
And some on history's page hope to win a glori-
ous name;
My aims are not ambitious and my wishes are but
small—
You might wrap them together in an ould plaid
shawl.
I'll seek her all through Galway, and I'll seek
her all through Clare,
I'll search for tale or tidings of my traveler
everywhere,
For peace of mind I'll never find until my own I
call
That little Irish Cailin in her ould plaid shawl.
—[*New York Tribune.*]

MASONRY IN MAINE.

Annual Meetings.

GRAND LODGE.

Tuesday Morning, May 5, 1891.

The Grand Lodge of Maine met at Ma-
sonic Hall, Portland, at 9 o'clock, Albro E.
Chase, of Portland, Grand Master, presid-
ing. Ten Past Grand Masters were present
—Hiram Chase, J. H. Drummond, David
Cargill, Albert Moore, Edward P. Burnham,
Charles I. Collamore, M. F. King, W. R. G.
Estes, Fessenden I. Day and Frank E.
Sleeper—with many other prominent Past
Officers and a large portion of the delegates,
while others arrived on later trains. The
venerable Grand Secretary, Ira Berry, near-
ly 90 years old, although feeble, was present
at the opening.

Reports of Grand Officers and committees
occupied the morning session.

Grand Master Chase delivered a long and
able address, giving an account of the dis-
charge of his duties and the condition of the
fraternity. He reported the craft in a pros-
perous condition. The number of members
is 20,968, against 20,675 last year, an in-
crease of 293. The initiates are 835; the
deaths, 302; number of lodges, 192.

At noon the Grand Lodge called off until
2 P. M.

Afternoon.

The Grand Lodge met at 2 o'clock. The
hour before election was spent in routine
business, and distributing it to appropriate
committees. The following officers were
elected:

Gr. Master—Henry R. Taylor, Machias.
D. Gr. Master—Horace H. Burbank, Saco.
S. G. Warden—Geo. R. Shaw, Portland.
J. G. Warden—S. L. Miller, Waldoboro.
Gr. Treasurer—Frederick Fox, Portland.
Grand Secretary—Ira Berry, Portland.
Committee of Finance—M. F. King, Port-
land; Edward P. Burnham, Saco; Albro E.
Chase, Portland.

Trustees Charity Fund for Three Years—
Edward P. Burnham, Saco; Archie L. Tal-
bot, Lewiston.

The Grand Lodge then called off until
Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Wednesday Afternoon, May 6th.

The afternoon session of the Grand Lodge
was mostly occupied with an exemplification
of the Third degree by York Lodge of Ken-
nebunk, John C. Lord, Master.

Evening.

The Grand Lodge met at 7 o'clock. A
charter was granted to Aroostook Lodge at
Blaine, and its dispensation continued until
the lodge is constituted under its charter.
Routine business occupied the rest of the
evening until 10:30, when the Grand Lodge
called off until 9 o'clock Thursday morning.

Thursday Morning, May 7th.

The Grand Lodge met at 9 o'clock. Va-
rious committees reported and routine busi-
ness was transacted. The Grand Officers
were installed by Past Grand Master Drum-
mond, the following appointments being
made:

Cor. G. Sec.—Charles D. Smith, Portland.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

- 1 James Archibald, Houlton.
- 2 Emilius W. Brown, Lubec.
- 3 Henry H. Smith, Machias.
- 4 Walter J. Creamer, Penobscot.
- 5 Frank M. Briggs, Guilford.
- 6 Charles York, Bangor.

- 7 William G. Fuller, Unity.
 - 8 George E. Johnson, Belfast.
 - 9 Levi Morse, Thomaston.
 - 10 William A. Richards, Waldoboro.
 - 11 William J. Landers, Gardiner.
 - 12 J. Eugene Lewis, Winthrop.
 - 13 George A. Gower, Solon.
 - 14 Judson Bangs, Sabatis.
 - 15 William F. Lord, Auburn.
 - 16 J. Ferd King, South Paris.
 - 17 William N. Howe, Portland.
 - 18 Melville Gould, Hiram.
 - 19 Horace Mitchell, Kittery Point.
 - 20 Harrison Piper, Lincoln.
 - 21 Benjamin L. Hadley, Bar Harbor.
 - 22 Charles E. Vickery, Pittsfield.
 - 23 Frank H. Hargraves, West Buxton.
- Grand Chaplains—Revs. Oliver H. Fer-
nald, Castine; Daniel Greene, Cumberland
Centre; Charles Whittier, Dennysville;
J. H. Barrows, Tenant's Harbor.
G. Marshal—Joseph A. Locke, Portland.
S. G. Deacon—Herbert Harris, E. Machias.
J. G. Deacon—Charles W. Jones, China.
G. Stewards—Edwin K. Smith, Lewiston;
Albert S. Farnsworth, Pembroke; J. Robert
Emery, Bucksport; Albert W. Clark, East-
port.
Gr. Sw. Bearer—W. Scott Shorey, Bath.
Gr. St. Bearer—G. A. Callahan, Lewiston.
G. Pursuivants—J. Burton Roberts, Good-
win's Mills; William O. Fox, Portland.
Gr. Lecturers—Frank E. Sleeper, Sabatis;
George E. Raymond, Portland.
Gr. Organist—Charles F. Jones, Portland.
Gr. Tyler—Warren O. Carney, Portland.
At 11:30 the Grand Lodge closed.

NOTES.

On the retirement of Grand Master Albro
E. Chase, District Deputy Grand Master
Wm. N. Howe, on behalf of Portland Lodge,
presented him with a gold Past Grand
Master's jewel.

The Grand Secretary is now the oldest
Grand Secretary in office in the country, hav-
ing served since 1855, in the Grand Chapter,
and since 1856 in the Grand Lodge, Grand
Council and Grand Commandery.

GRAND CHAPTER.

Tuesday Evening, May 5th.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter met at 7
o'clock, Charles I. Collamore, of Bangor,
Grand High Priest, presiding. Twelve of
the 16 Past Grand High Priest were present,
and 40 of the 49 chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest, in his annual ad-
dress, reported a prosperous year, which
was confirmed by the reports of the visiting
officers.

The report on returns showed 49 chapters,
4,969 members, a gain of 279, and 408 candi-
dates.

The following officers were then elected:

G. H. Priest—Chas. I. Collamore, Bangor.
D. G. H. Priest—A. M. Penley, Auburn.
Grand King—Judson B. Dunbar, Portland.
G. Scribe—Seward S. Stearns, Norway.
G. Treas.—Rufus H. Hinkley, Portland.
Grand Secretary—Ira Berry, Portland.
Committee of Finance—Josiah H. Drummond, Portland; Nathan Woodbury, Lewiston; Joseph A. Locke, Portland.

The Grand Chapter then called off until 9 A. M. Wednesday.

Wednesday Morning, May 6th.

The Grand Chapter met at 9.

The petition for a new chapter at Pittsfield was refused.

The following appointments were made:

District Deputy Grand High Priests—Fifth District, Almon C. Waite, Portland; Sixth District, Winfield S. Hinkley, Thomaston; Seventh District, Henry S. Webster, Gardiner.

G. Chaps.—Rev. James Vincent, Calais; Rev. Chas. Whittier, Dennysville; Rev. C. S. Leffingwell, Bar Harbor.

G. C. Host—Albro E. Chase, Portland.
G. Prin. Soj.—Wilford J. Fisher, Eastport.
G. R. A. Capt.—Harrison Piper, Eastport.
G. M. 3d V.—William C. Mason, Bangor.
G. M. 2d V.—Chas. K. Tilden, Hallowell.
G. M. 1st V.—L. M. Kenniston, Camden.
Grand Stewards—Howard D. Smith, Norway; Algernon M. Roak, Auburn; George A. Callahan, Lewiston.

Gr. Lecturer—Frank E. Sleeper, Sabatis.
G. Sentinel—Warren O. Carney, Portland.

At 10.15 the Grand Chapter closed.

ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD.

Wednesday Morning, May 6th.

The Council of High Priesthood met at 11, Joseph H. Drummond of Portland, President, presiding. Seventeen candidates from all parts of the state received the order. The following officers were elected:

President—J. H. Drummond, Portland.
S. V. President—Edw. P. Burnham, Saco.
J. Vice. Pres.—Marquis F. King, Portland.
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.

The Council was then closed.

GRAND COUNCIL.

Wednesday Afternoon, May 6th.

The Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters met at 2, Denison E. Seymour of Calais, Grand Master, presiding. Twelve of the 13 councils were represented.

The report on returns showed 13 councils, 1,326 members, (a gain of 120), 149 candidates, 24 deaths. The following officers were chosen:

Gr. Master—Denison E. Seymour, Calais.
D. G. M.—W. R. G. Estes, Skowhegan.
G. P. C. of W.—A. M. Roak, Auburn.
G. Treas.—Leander W. Fobes, Portland.
Grand Recorder—Ira Berry, Portland.
G. Chaplain—Wm. J. Burnham, Lewiston.
G. M. of Cer.—O. E. Crowell, Oakland.
G. C. Guard—Samuel F. Bearce, Portland.
G. Conductor—J. M. Larrabee, Gardiner.
G. Steward—Hugh R. Chaplin, Bangor.
G. Sent.—Willard C. G. Carney, Portland.
Charters were granted to new councils at

Westbrook, to be called Westbrook Council, and Presque Isle, to be called Aroostook Council, and their dispensations continued until constituted under their charters.

At five o'clock the Grand Council closed.

GRAND COMMANDERY.

Thursday Afternoon, May 7th.

The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar met at 2, Edwin M. Fuller, of Bath, Grand Commander, presiding. Eighteen of the 19 commanderies were represented. The Grand Commander made a long and able report of the condition of the order in the state, showing it to be active and prospering. Other Grand Officers reported at length. The report on returns, (not fully completed), showed 19 commanderies, 2,471 members, 197 knighted, 23 deaths. The membership last year was 2,324.

The following officers were elected:

Gr. Com.—Arlington B. Marston, Bangor.
Dep. Gr. Com.—Thos. P. Shaw, Portland.
Gr. Gen.—Horace H. Burbank, Saco.
Gr. Capt. Gen.—W. J. Landers, Gardiner.
Grand Prelate—E. Howard Vose, Calais.
Gr. Sen. W.—Fred'k S. Walls, Vinalhaven.
Gr. Jun. W.—Albro E. Chase, Portland.
Gr. Treas.—Leander W. Fobes, Portland.
Grand Recorder—Ira Berry, Portland.

Adjourned until 7:30 P. M.

Thursday Evening.

Met at 7:30. The reports of committees and other routine business occupied the session. The officers were installed by Past Grand Commander Joseph A. Locke, the following appointments being made:

Gr. Stand. Bearer—F. I. Day, Lewiston.
Gr. Sw. Bearer—Herbert Harris, East Machias.
Gr. Warder—Chas. I. Collamore, Bangor.
Gr. Capt. of Guards—Warren O. Carney, Portland.

At 9:30 the Grand Commandery closed.

On Friday, May 8th, Maine Consistory worked the 21st and 30th grades, afternoon and evening, and many of the delegates remained to witness it. A class of 44 candidates was received.

COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION.

The Council of Deliberation, A. & A. Rite met at 5 P. M. Friday. The usual reports were made and routine business transacted, and the following officers elected:

Com-in-Chief—M. F. King, Portland.
First Lieut. Com.—Charles I. Collamore, Bangor.
Second Lieut. Com.—F. I. Day, Lewiston.
M. of S. and G. O.—Geo. E. Raymond, Portland.
Grand Prior—Herbert Harris, E. Machias.
G. Chancellor—A. M. Roak, Auburn.
G. Treasurer—William O. Fox, Portland.
G. Secretary—John S. Russell, Portland.
G. Eng. and Architect—Wm. Z. Clayton, Bangor.
Grand Hospitaler—N. E. Bragg, Bangor.
Grand M. of C.—Frank E. Sleeper, Sabatis.
Gr. St. Bearer—Thos. P. Shaw, Portland.
Gr. Captain Guard—C. E. Libby, Auburn.
G. Sentinel—Warren O. Carney, Portland.

Dispensations.

On March 13th, Grand Master Seymour issued a dispensation to Oliver A. Cobb, and eight others for a new Council of R. & S. Masters at Cumberland Mills, to be called Westbrook Council—and

On March 16th, another to Wm. R. Pipes and eight others for a new Council at Presque Isle, to be called Aroostook Council.

These have now been voted charters.

Notes.

PRESENTATION.—Mt. Moriah Chapter of Bangor presented a jewel to its Past High Priest, J. H. Kerr, April 2d.

SCOTTISH RITE.—Dickey Rose Croix Chapter, at Auburn, worked the 17° and 18° March 26th on 23 candidates, the officers of Dunlap Chapter, of Portland, doing the work. A large number of masons were present. A supper was given at Hotel Atwood after the work.

Bangor Chapter of Rose Croix gave the degrees to fourteen candidates April 16th, the officers of Dunlap Chapter, of Portland, R. H. Hinkley, Master, being present and doing the work. It was a well attended and interesting meeting.

Alpha Council, of Hallowell, gave the degrees to eleven candidates March 24th, in the presence of a large number of Cryptic masons from all over the state. We acknowledge an invitation, and regret being unable to attend. Deputy Grand Master Estes made his official visit.

The masonic friends of E. A. Blanchard, of Yarmouth, presented him with a gold headed cane on his birthday, April 18th, L. L. Shaw, officiating.

The masons at Brownfield talk of buying a house owned by Albert Blake for a hall.

Claremont Commandery, of Rockland, celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of its organization April 27th. An address of welcome was made by E. C. W. A. Allen, the historical address by P. C. E. H. Lowry, and the masonic address by Rev. E. C. Cummings.

Past Grand Commander Joseph A. Locke has been made an honorary member of Boston Commandery.

St. Alban Commandery, of Portland, will visit Fitchburg, Mass., June 24th, as the guests of Jerusalem Commandery.

Jeremiah Parsons, who was the first to receive the degrees in Alna Lodge, of Damariscotta, in Alna, March 15, 1823, is still living in Brunswick, although in feeble health. He is returned as a present member of Alna Lodge in 1891.

We are indebted to Bro. George L. Beal, Treasurer of the State of Maine, for his annual report for 1890.

The *Machias Union*, copying the *Token* item about the old "Burnham Tavern," hopes that the town will buy and preserve it, which wish we earnestly second.

A concert was recently given in Manchester, England, for the benefit of a masonic charity, which masons attended in great numbers, "many of them wearing the regalia of the craft."

Books, Papers, etc.

—We are indebted to Bro. Clifford P. MacCalla, for his address as Grand Master, Dec. 27, 1890, a valuable and interesting document.

—*Historical Sketch of Rising Sun Lodge and Social Friend's Lodge*, Keene, N. H. This pamphlet contains a list of members of both lodges, with valuable notes by Clark F. Rowell, Elisha Ayer and Jewett T. Locke. Printed by the Sentinel Printing Co., Keene.

—Bro. E. C. Birdsey, of Meriden, Conn., favors us with the by-laws of the Connecticut Association of Past Grand Commanders, and our old friend Dr. Daniel Calkins sent a paper containing an account of the annual meeting, January 15th. Resolutions were adopted on the death of Nathan Dikeman, of Waterbury.

—*THE CRUSADER'S CHRISTMAS*. A charming little poem got up in the most exquisite manner, in shape like a shield and helmet, and each alternate page a beautiful picture in colors, comes from Bro. James H. Warwick, the author, 168 Madison St., Brooklyn, N. Y. They retail at 25c. each, and will be supplied wholesale at favorable terms.

—*The Victorian Freemason*, of Melbourne, has merged into the Australasian Keystone, which is published quarto size, and has been published three years.

—*The Masonic Home Journal* has doubled its size to fit its new press, which is to be regretted, because it is not so convenient to bind, and the change coming in the middle of a volume breaks up the set.

—*The Herald of Masonry* is a new masonic twelve page quarto published in Kansas City, Missouri, J. M. Detrick, Publisher, H. M. Heller, editor. Monthly \$1. We welcome it to the broad field.

—*History of Lygonia Lodge*, No. 40, Ellsworth, Me., from 1874 to 1889, by James C. Chilcott. This is a well printed pamphlet of 45 octavo pages, from the press of the Hancock Co. Publishing Co., Ellsworth. The earlier history from the organization in 1822 to 1873 has been previously written. A table of work from the beginning is given, and Bro. Chilcott gives some valuable biographical sketches.

—*Easter Services* in Golden Gate Commandery, 1891, illuminated, is received from Harry J. Lask, masonic editor of the "Call," San Francisco.

—*Notes and Queries*, by S. C. & L. M. Gould, Manchester, N. H. We are indebted to Bro. Gould for No. 1 of Vol. V, which makes our set of the first seven volumes of this admirable magazine complete. It is full of curious and interesting facts, and

Bro. Gould being an earnest masonic scholar gives many curious things of interest to the Craft. Vol. VIII, commenced January, 1891. The price is but \$1 a year.

—*History of Tremont Lodge*, No. 77, Tremont, Me., from 1871 to 1891, by C. H. Lurvey and William R. Keene, is published in 48 pages octavo. Their early history has previously been published, and this completes it to the present time. Tables of work are given.

—*Liberal Freemason*. The March number closed the 14th volume, and with the death of the proprietor it ceases to exist. It was a valuable magazine and will be much regretted.

—Bro. E. T. Schultz, 215 West German St., Baltimore, fearing the possible destruction of the edition of his *History of Freemasonry* in Maryland, by fire, as recently happened to the masonic hall of that jurisdiction, offers to sell the four volumes, complete and bound, for \$5, which is one-third of the original price. Price must be enclosed and expressage paid by the subscriber on receiving it. This is an excellent opportunity to secure this valuable work for libraries, and we advise lodges and brethren to avail themselves of it. We have it ourselves, it is in the Portland Masonic Library, in the Grand Lodge Library, and Bro. Drummond has it, all at the original price.

The *Open Court* of Chicago is ably discussing the ethical relations of the sexes.

Editorial Chips.

—The per capita tax in Utah is \$3, in Washington and Montana \$2, and so on down to Maine, Vermont and Connecticut, where it is 20c.

—Elwood E. Thorne, P. G. M. of New York, died at Shelter Island, January 2, aged 60.

—The Grand Lodge of New Mexico is to build a Masonic Hall at Albuquerque to cost \$50,000.

—Major G. Shanks, of St. Mungo Encampment, Scotland, has a portrait of De Molai taken shortly before his execution, representing him in the Templar habit, a red Latin cross on the breast and his hands crossed and bound on his chest, says the *London Freemason*.

—The Masonic Hall at Springfield, Mass., was destroyed by fire Feb. 9th. The masonic bodies lost \$10,000. The furniture in the office of Woodbury, Moulton & Stearns, in the same building, was damaged \$15,000 worth. The firm is a branch of Woodbury & Moulton, of Portland, of which Bro. Edward H. York is a member.

—John M. Ware, of Starkville, has been elected Grand Master, P. M. Sayery, of Tupelo, Grand High Priest, Fred Speed, of Vicksburg, M. I. G. M., J. E. Leigh, of Columbus, Grand Commander, and John L. Power, of Jackson, Grand Secretary of the masonic bodies of Mississippi for 1891.

—Col. Thomas Picton, masonic editor of

the New York *Sunday Mercury*, died Feb. 20th aged 69. He was cashier of a city bank, and popular in press and dramatic circles.

—*The Freemason's Journal*, of New York, says the Grand Master of Maine has recommended the purchase of phonographs to supply each lodge with the ritual. This was not recommended, but it was said, jokingly, that perfect uniformity would never be reached until that was done.

—John Finzer, of Louisville, Ky., died at Berne, Switzerland, Jan. 8th, aged 52 yrs, 7 mos. He was at the head of the Grand Consistory of Kentucky.

—*The Canadian Craftsman* hears it rumored that a Grand Lodge may be formed in the North West Territories.

—Hosmer Allen Johnson, Senior Past Grand Commander of Illinois, died at Chicago, Feb. 28th.

—Dr. James P. Wickersham, P. M. of Lodge 43, Lancaster, Pa., and ex-Minister to Denmark, died March 25th.

—Col. Nathan Whitney, of Franklin Grove, Ill., was one hundred years old recently, and was initiated in 1817.

—Masonic Temple at Lowell, Mass., was burned April 5th, the masons losing \$10,000 or more.

—The corner stone of the new masonic temple at New Orleans was laid March 25th by Grand Master Chas. F. Buck.

—Norman T. Gassette, of Chicago, died suddenly under the effects of chloroform while undergoing an operation of the throat for asthma, March 26th, at the age of 52. He was a lawyer by profession, Clerk of the Circuit Clerk and Recorder of Deeds, and died a millionaire from the profits of those offices. He was Past Grand Commander of Templars.

—Seranus Bowen, of Boston, has been appointed Gr. Sec. of Grand Chapter and Gr. Recorder of Grand Council and Gr. Commandery of Mass., in place of A. F. Chapman, deceased.

—The "United States" Supreme Council has issued a mourning balustrade on the death of Albert Pike.

—There was a Lodge of Sorrow held in Fargo, Dakota, in memory of Albert Pike, which was fully reported in the *Fargo Argus*. Bro. Pike was spoken of as the oldest mason in the world, which is incorrect, as the oldest mason, Past Grand Secretary Hollenbeck, of Vermont, was made a mason when Bro. Pike was but four years old.

—The late Lawrence Barrett, tragedian, was a Royal Arch Mason, although a Catholic.

—A case is recorded of a man in Edinburgh, Scotland, being initiated by special dispensation on account of being a cripple, March 4th, raised 11th, dimitted 12th, reached New York April 2d and applied to the Board of Relief 4th, all within one month.

—The corner stone of the Masonic Home at Utica, N. Y., will be laid May 21st.

NEW EDITION OF MAINE MASONIC TEXT BOOK, by DRUMMOND, now ready. \$1.40 in cloth or \$1.50 in leather tuck. Enclose money to Stephen Berry, Publisher, Portland, and it will be sent by mail.

The Annual Meetings.

The annual meetings were well attended this year, but not so fully as in some years. Of the 191 lodges, 174 were represented; of the 49 chapters, 45 were represented; of the 13 councils, 12; and of the 19 commanderies, 18.

The sessions were very harmonious and agreeable. As no vexatious questions came up there was plenty of time for pleasant discussion of all interesting subjects. The additional session of the Grand Lodge on Wednesday evening gave time to dispatch the closing business, and allow more deliberation and less hurry on Thursday morning.

Grand Master Chase retired with the unanimous verdict of a successful administration, and of a most faithful and able discharge of his duties.

Grand Master Henry R. Taylor, who succeeds him, is well known to the masons of Maine. He was born in Newfane, Vt.; educated first in the common schools; entered Townshend Academy at 15; fitted for college at Saxton's River Seminary (now "Vermont Academy") making a specialty of civil engineering. He went to California among "the forty-niners," and in '52 to South America. Having acquired proficiency in the Spanish language, he obtained a position in the Chilian service, and in the Government Coast Survey of southern Chile and northern Patagonia. He devoted his unemployed time to traveling through Chile, Bolivia, Peru and Ecuador until 1857, when he returned via Cape Horn. He was employed two years in U. S. Government Survey, in the (then) Territory of Nebraska, and subsequently, two years in the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey. He married and settled in Machias in 1862. Since that time has held many important town and county offices. He was elected Register of Deeds for Washington County in 1886, and re-elected for the second term in 1890, which office he now holds. He is identified in all the masonic bodies,—lodge, chapter, commandery and A. and A. S. Rite. He served as D. D. G. M. of the Third Masonic District eleven years, exceeding in that office, the record of any other one man in the state. He is at present Secretary of Washington R. A. Chapter, having held the office for twenty-three consecutive years.

In the Grand Chapter, the officers were re-elected.

In the Grand Council they were also re-elected, except that the Grand P. C. of W. Joseph M. Hayes retired, and Algernon M. Roak, of Auburn, succeeded him.

In the Grand Commandery, R. E. Edwin M. Fuller refused to be a candidate for reelection, and recommended the adoption of

a one year term. His opinion was endorsed by the Grand Commandery, and the officers were advanced one step.

The new Grand Commander, Arlington B. Marston, of Bangor, has been long and favorably known as a diligent worker in all branches of Masonry, and his successful administration of the affairs of the Grand Chapter in 1877 and 1878, and of the Grand Council in 1881 and 1882, have made him known to other jurisdictions. He was also Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge in 1882.

Grand Commander Fuller's able address showed not only a diligent attention to his duties, but that the Order under his administration had been held up to the highest state of efficiency, and is exceedingly active and progressive in this jurisdiction.

The formation of two new councils evinces progress in Cryptic Masonry, which is recognized as being healthy and advancing in Maine.

In fine we can say for all branches of Masonry, All's well in the Far East.

The Master's Secrets.

Doubtless the craftsman of very ancient times believed in an Abracadabra, some word of might, with which their Masters wrought the wonderful creations, which not only astounded them, but whose ruins have astonished all later generations; but the craftsmen of Medieval ages knew that their Masters must have some secrets by which to plan and draw great cathedrals and the impregnable castles, which crowned the hills of every county of Europe, and to estimate the cost of their construction. These secrets were arithmetic and geometry, but to the ignorant workman of the middle ages, who, although skilful with hands and tools, never aspired to the knowledge of the alphabet and the multiplication table, they were mysteries indeed, and it is not to be wondered at that they often sought some short and royal road to that steep hill of knowledge, which can only be gained by painful climbing. When we see how few workmen are competent to take the Master's place and carry on the work in our own day of general education, we can understand how often, in those times, the Master was obliged to tell the faithful workman that he must wait awhile and learn more before he could conduct a building party into other countries, and we can understand, too, how many craftsmen had to be denied forever, simply because, like most of the nobles and gentlemen of their day, they could not master the alphabet, but left such mysteries to the clergy.

No doubt, too, there were some secrets of handicraft, which were jealously guarded by the superior workmen, just as there are some now, despite the patent laws, which guard the inventor's rights in that respect, and these could be taught to the faithful craftsmen when the proper time came. Some

secrets, like making flexible glass and tempering copper tools, were so well guarded that they became "lost arts," but the great secrets were the arts and sciences, and when the craftsman had mastered them he was entitled to the Master's secrets, and they were awarded him promptly because he had the true password, which was Knowledge.

George Waite Deering.

The first morning of the late Grand Meetings brought the intelligence of the death of our lamented Bro. Deering, of heart disease. It was not entirely unexpected, for we had known for a long time that he was liable to serious attacks.

Bro. Deering inherited his love of Masonry, for his maternal grandfather, whose name he bore, was made a Templar in Ireland early in the century.

Bro. Deering was a Portland boy, but in a long residence at Chicago identified himself with that jurisdiction and went so high as to be Grand Commander of Illinois. Much of his later life was spent in Portland, where he labored especially for the Scottish Rite, being long at the head of Maine Consistory and Deputy of the Supreme Council for Maine.

As a member of the Portland Board of Masonic Trustees he was chairman of the committee which designed the present masonic apartments, and our beautiful Corinthian Hall will be a monument to his memory.

He was a Quartermaster in the army and accompanied Sherman in his March to the Sea. He left a wife, one son and three daughters.

His remains were brought to Portland and buried on the 6th.

Silas Alden.

This venerable brother, whom we met so constantly at the Grand Masonic Meetings for thirty-years past, died at Bangor Jan. 23d, aged 86 years, 7 months. He was for long years a respected and prosperous business man in Bangor, and left a wife, three sons, and one daughter. He was District Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge in 1858 and 1859, a past Capt. General of the Grand Commandery and Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery of West Virginia. He was a 33° in the Scottish Rite.

Past G. H. P. Stephen J. Young, of Bowdoin College, calls our attention to the article of Haskett Smith, in Blackwood, Dec. 1890, affirming the existence of an Ancient Masonry among the mountain Druses of Syria. It is very significant, and confirms a similar statement made by Rob Morris, many years ago. The same thing is reported of the Hindoo Priesthood, and if both are true, the Chinese also may have it. Moreover, if true, we must revise our ideas of history, and give more weight to our traditions.

Albert Pike,

died in Washington, April 2d, at the age of eighty-one years, three months and four days. He was born in Boston, Dec. 29, 1809, entered Harvard in 1826, but left without graduating to become the principal of the Newburyport Grammar School. In 1831 he went to Arkansas, where he settled at Fort Smith, taught school and edited a paper. He fought in the Mexican war, and on the Confederate side in the late war. He afterwards edited the *Memphis Appeal* and then removed to Washington to practice law. He soon began to devote himself entirely to the interests of the Supreme Council of the Southern Jurisdiction, of which for nearly thirty-two years he has been Sovereign Grand Commander. For several years he had dwelt at the "Holy House of the Temple," the official home of the Supreme Council, where is stored the valuable library, which he had presented to that body. There he lived with his daughter, surrounded by the rarest of birds and flowers, and the books which he loved, devoting himself to literary labors, which have made him widely known. He will be succeeded in the Supreme Council by James C. Batchelor, of New Orleans, Lieut.-Grand Commander, until the meeting of the Supreme Council, in 1892, and in the command of the Royal Order of Scotland, by Josiah H. Drummond, who was Deputy Grand Master.

Alfred F. Chapman

died very suddenly in Boston, March 20th, of Angina Pectoris, in his 62d year. He was editor and proprietor of the *Liberal Free Mason*, had filled many masonic offices, and at the time of his death was Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Massachusetts and Rhode Island; Grand Recorder of the Grand Council R. and S. Masters of Massachusetts; Grand Secretary of Grand R. A. Chapter of Massachusetts; Recorder of Boston Council R. and S. Masters; Secretary of St. Andrew's R. A. Chapter and President of the Order of High Priesthood. He was a member of St. Omer Commandery, K. T., and of Massachusetts Consistory A. A. S. Rite, and also Chief Adept of Massachusetts College of Societas Rosicrucians. He had been General Grand High Priest and was interested in every branch of Masonry. He was widely known among masons, and was esteemed and valued by the craft. He was born in Fort Lawrence, Nova Scotia, Sept. 7, 1829.

The March number of the *Liberal Free Mason*, issued in April, closed the fourteenth volume and the existence of that magazine, and it is a noble monument to its author.

William B. Morrill.

SKOWHEGAN, Jan. 30, 1891.

BRO. BERRY:

Our much revered and venerable Bro. William B. Morrill is no more, having "passed over," as he would say, Jan. 24th,

at the ripe old age of ninety-two years, eleven months and thirteen days.

Bro. Morrill was born in Salisbury, N. H., Feb. 11, 1798. He was by trade a cabinet maker, and later in life a farmer.

He was made a Freemason in King Solomon's Lodge, New London, N. H., in 1821. Soon after taking his first degree he came to this county and settled in Skowhegan, or what was then Milburn, where he carried on the business of cabinet making. Having obtained permission, he applied to and afterwards took the second and third degrees in Waterville Lodge in 1822. In 1823 he affiliated with Somerset Lodge, then located at Norridgewock, and was its Master in 1828. Bro. Morrill was a pillar of strength to Freemasonry all through the anti-masonic crusade. In fact a man so thoroughly conscientious and fearless could not fail to be such. In his house was stored the lodge furniture and property, while the charter lay dormant during those dark days, and he was among the first to counsel and encourage the revival of the lodge after the storm had spent itself; and it may be said in truth, that he considered it next to a religious duty to ever after attend lodge meetings and be present at all masonic funerals, till old age made it impossible.

Bro. Morrill had some peculiar and marked traits of character. Suffice it to say he was no half-way man in his beliefs. What he believed, he believed with his whole soul. In his early life he was a zealous Methodist.

Renouncing that belief, he as ardently espoused spiritualism and died in the faith of it. He was an early abolitionist and hated slavery as much as any man ever did. After the war was over and slavery wiped out of existence, he believed in fraternal reconciliation, and with his political teacher and High Priest, Horace Greely, he was ready to "clasp hands across the bloody chasm." Had our friend and brother lived in the time of the reformation, he would, with heroic fortitude, have suffered with the martyrs of that day, equally with them, for opinion's sake. But our brother has gone the way of all the earth, having outlived all his early companions and associates, retaining all his mental faculties to the last. Few men, indeed, living to be within one month of ninety-three years old, can hope to have more friends or less enemies than the subject of this brief sketch.

"The hoary head is a crown of glory, if it be found in the way of righteousness."

W. R. G. E.

Bro. Morrill was one of the oldest masons in Maine, but Bro. Samuel B. Brown, of Portland, initiated in 1819, antedates him.

The *Token* acknowledges, with thanks to Bro. Geo. W. Warvelle, President, an invitation from the Acacia Club of Chicago to meet "The Volunteers" who so nobly assisted Bro. J. O. Dickerson in the surgical necessity, at a reception February 7th.

A Templar ball on Good Friday, although meant well, is not a proper observance of the day. While nearly all Christendom unites in solemnly observing the death of our Saviour with fasting and prayer, it is not comely in those who call themselves the "Poor Fellow Soldiers of Jesus Christ" to dance and feast on that day. The Puritans neglected church days and substituted others, but they did not profane Passion Week, so their example is not an excuse, and such action must arise from a thoughtless misconception of the occasion and of Templar theories.

"Our Hugh" McCurdy made an eloquent address at the dedication of the Masonic Home at Grand Rapids, Jan. 27th.

Herbert N. Laffin, son of the Grand Secretary of Wisconsin, was initiated Dec. 16th, in Madison Lodge, Milwaukee, by his father, assisted by his grandfather. The Grand Secretary of Maine has two sons, and a grandson, not to mention a son-in-law and a brother-in-law, all members of Ancient Land-Mark Lodge of Portland.

Brethren should be careful how they invest in the large crop of beneficiary societies which have lately sprung up. The *Token* has lately refused to advertise two of these because they promised too much, and it never advertises anything which it cannot recommend, although in one of these cases double rates were offered. A society which offers more profit than money can earn cannot be permanent.

The best thing recorded of Louis XI, is his answer when he was urged to destroy the tomb of John, Duke of Bedford, at Rouen. "What honor shall it be to us, or to you, to break this monument, and to pull out of the ground the dead bones of him, whom in his life neither my father nor your progenitors, with all their power, puissance, and friends were once able to make flee one foot backward; but by his strength, wit and policy, kept them all out of the principal dominions of the realm of France, and out of this noble and famous duchy of Normandy? Wherefore I say, first, God have his soul, and let his body now lie in rest, which when he was alive would have disquieted the proudest of us all. And as for the tomb, I assure you, it is not so decent nor convenient, as his honor and acts deserved, although it were much richer and more beautiful."

We regret to say that the District Deputies brought in no contributions for the Gould Testimonial, so that we shall have nothing to acknowledge from this state.

—The St. Louis *Constellation* speaks of "the infamous action of the Grand Commandery in discarding their own laws." That seems unparliamentary language. "Inconsiderate action" would be better.

OVER THEIR GRAVES.

Over their graves rang once the bugle's call,
The searching shrapnel, and the crashing ball;
The shriek, the shock of battle, and the neigh
Of horse; the cries of anguish and dismay;
And the loud cannon's thunders that appall.

Now through the years the brown pine-needles
fall,
The vines run riot by the old stone wall,
By hedge, by meadow streamlet, far away,
Over their graves!

We love our dead where'er so held in thrall,
Than they no Greek more bravely die, nor Gaul,
A love that's deathless! but they look to-day
With no reproaches on us when we say,
"Come! let us clasp your hands, we're brothers
all,"

Over their graves!

—[Henry Jerome Stockard in the Century.

The Third Annual Convention of the Second Masonic District, was holden at Eastport, yesterday afternoon and evening, and was well represented by members from Eastern, Washington, St. Croix and Crescent Lodges; Lewey's Island not represented. In the afternoon work on the first degree, by Washington Lodge, with its new board of officers, composed of its young members, was excellent, giving every part of each lecture, all of which were well rendered. The second degree was given by Crescent Lodge, who unfortunately found themselves without one of their principal officers, but proved equal to the emergency, organized *pro tem* officers and performed the work well, after which tickets were distributed for the banquet, served in Armory building by the Methodist Society, which was excellent, plenty of it, and well served. In the evening Eastern Lodge conferred the third degree in their usual good manner; the rendering the lecture from the chart by Bro. Fisher was grand. After closing the lodge a long list of speakers were called up and many very fine sentiments were drawn out, off hand, from a number of gray haired veterans of the order, ranging from three-score to four-score years and more, the expressed sentiment of their experience and observation being that the world and humanity have been very much benefited by Masonry, and they look forward to the time when the world at large will be convinced of its good effect. After singing the closing ode composed by Past Master James McGregor, the convention closed to meet at Calais next year.

Lubec, Feb. 27, 1891.

J. B. N.

The first cargo of stone for the new Masonic Temple in Chicago was shipped from Vinalhaven, Me., Feb. 7th, on schooner Harvester, for Portland, thence by rail. Vinalhaven is an island in Penobscot Bay, but the Chicago brethren will be likely to find the marks of the workmen on the stones, for that little island has a lodge of 182 members, a chapter of 88 members and a commandery of 88 members and the number of voters is only 783, a large number of them workmen in the quarries.

—Hughan says the oldest known date of the 3d degree is 1725.

The *Stratford-on-Avon Herald* thinks Shakespeare was a mason, because a seal, pronounced by an expert to be of the time of James I, has been found, with a portrait of Shakespeare on one side and masonic emblems on the other. It might show that the first owner was an admirer both of Shakespeare and of Masonry.

The Order of Knights, of St. John was dispossessed in England in 1540 by Henry the 8th, and their prior, William Weston, died of a broken heart in consequence.

Portland Commandery will receive and entertain Winslow Lewis Commandery of Salem, Mass., June 24th.

—The old Masonic Mutual Benefit Society of Indiana is having a serious discussion over a change of constitution.

—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:

	Copies.
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Temple, Saccarappa,	11
Hancock, Castine,	11
Ira Berry, Bluehill,	22
Cumberland, New Gloucester,	11
Rising Virtue, Bangor,	22
Kenduskeag Lodge, Kenduskeag,	11

What lodge shall be next added?

SELF-SACRIFICING TEMPLARS. The operation alluded to in January is well related in the following despatches:

CHICAGO, Jan. 18.—One hundred and thirty-two Knights Templar of St. Bernard Commandery suffered the appliance of the surgeon's knife yesterday to save the life of their brother, Sir Knight J. O. Dickerson.

The latter has been afflicted with cancer, and an operation resulted in a wound that could not heal alone, and for which skin grafted from animals had failed.

To snatch Dickerson from death, 144 square inches of human cuticle were required. It was to supply this that over 150 knights marched to the Emergency hospital this afternoon. Dr. Fenger's instructions had been obeyed, and assisted by Drs. Bernauer, Leonard, Palmer, Taylor, Strickland, Ballard and Tobias, the operation was performed.

Dickerson was conscious most of the time, and as each knight stepped to the sacrifice thanked him with warm affection in scarcely a whisper.

The strip of skin was taken from the left arm on the biceps. One after another the knights stepped forward. Each carried his own razor, which Dr. Fenger took. With a flash the surgeon seized a thin strip of skin an inch and a half long, severed it with the razor and placed it upon Dickerson's wound.

Soon both Dr. Fenger and Dr. Bernauer were cutting arms as a man cuts bacon. Each knight was at once bandaged by nurses. Two of them fainted under the razor. Within 10 days the arms of the scarred knights will be healed. Not before 30 days will it be known if the new cuticle will grow on Sir Knight Dickinson's back.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25. Sir Knight John O. Dickerson, who a few weeks ago was subjected to the operation of skin grafting at the expense of a hundred and thirty-two of his brother Knights Templar, died Monday at Emergency hospital. The unique operation appeared for a time to have materially bene-

fitted him, and it was thought he would recover, but his system was too much weakened, and after a brief period of improvement he again began to sink, and hopes of saving his life were abandoned. His death had been expected for several days.

Can any one furnish us a No. 27 of Vol. 1 of the *Token*, to complete the set of Bro. Frank W. Baxter, of Highgate, Vermont? Bro. Baxter will be exceedingly grateful for it.

The complete sets of Volume One are all gone. It is gratifying to be able to say that the last four stayed in Maine. Two of them were taken by Past Grand Masters and the other two by lodges.

The sympathies of the craft will go out to Bro. Clifford P. McCalla, editor of the *Keystone* and Past Grand Master, whose wife died April 7th at the age of 51.

Grand Secretary Innes, of Michigan, was lately seeking a form of dedication for Masonic Homes. He did not find one published, but now comes an excellent form from him used in dedicating the Michigan Masonic Home at Grand Rapids, Jan. 27th, and we shall know where to send the next applicant.

The old lodge at Melrose, Scotland, which has been independent from time immemorial, has finally joined the Grand Lodge of Scotland, and takes its place as St. John's Melrose, No. 1. St. Mary's Chapel is numbered 0, we think.

COLORED TEMPLARS.—The proceedings of the United Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania, from 1881 to 1890, inclusive, are received from W. L. Underwood, of Philadelphia, Past Grand Commander. There appear to be ten commanderies and about 220 members.

For Lists of Subscribers,

We are indebted to Bro. Stark Webster, Mat-tawamkeag.

Our Thanks.

ALABAMA.—Grand Lodge, Dec. 1, 1890, from Myles J. Green, Gr. Sec., Montgomery. Geo. M. Morrow, Gr. Master, Birmingham. 305 lodges, 9,546 members, 978 initiates.

ARIZONA.—Grand Lodge, Nov. 11, 1890, from Geo. J. Roskrugs, Tucson, Gr. Sec. Geo. W. Cheyney, Tombstone, Gr. Master. 9 lodges, 429 members, 32 initiates.

Grand Chapter, org. Nov. 13, 1889, and first annual, Nov. 12, 1890, from Geo. J. Roskrugs, Tucson, Gr. Sec. Martin W. Kales, Phoenix, G. H. P. 5 chapters.

ARKANSAS.—Grand Lodge, Nov. 18, 1890, from Fay Hempstead, Little Rock, Gr. Sec. W. K. Ramsey, Camden, Gr. Master. 427 lodges, 12,654 members, 1,168 initiates.

FLORIDA.—Gr. Lodge, Jan. 20, 1891, from DeWitt C. Dawkins, Jacksonville, Gr. Sec. Angus Paterson, Madison, Gr. Master.

ILLINOIS.—Grand Council, Oct. 29, 1890, from Gil. W. Barnard, Chicago, Gr. Rec. Geo. W. Warvelle, Chicago, G. Master. 35 councils, 1,995 members, 131 candidates.

ORIENTAL CONSISTORY.—Proceedings 35th annual Rendezvous Jan. 15, 1891, from Gil. W. Barnard, Gr. Sec.

INDIANA.—Grand Commandery, April 21, 1891, from Wm. H. Smythe, Grand Recorder. Irvin B. Webber, Gr. Com. 32 commanderies, 2,878 members, 170 knights.

LOUISIANA.—Grand Lodge, Feb. 9, 10, 11, 1891, from Richard Lambert, N. Orleans, Gr. Sec. Chas. F. Buck, N. Orleans, Gr. Master. 108 lodges, 4,314 members, 303 initiates.

Grand Council, Feb. 12, 1891, from Richard Lambert, N. Orleans, Gr. Rec. Rev. H. C. Duncan, Alexandria, Gr. Master. 4 councils, 142 members, 7 candidates.

Grand Commandery, Feb. 13, 1891, from Richard Lambert, Gr. Rec. A. S. Badger, N. Orleans, Gr. Com. 4 commanderies, 293 members, 7 knights.

MASSACHUSETTS.—Grand Lodge, Dec. 30, 1890, from Sereno D. Nickerson, Boston, Gr. Sec. Samuel Wells, Boston, Gr. Master. 232 lodges, 30,880 members, 1,526 initiates.

Gr. Chapter, Dec. 8, 1890, from Alfred F. Chapman, Boston, Gr. Sec. J. Albert Blake, Haverhill, G. H. P. 11,198 members, 792 exaltations.

Grand Council, Dec. 10, 1890, from Alfred F. Chapman, Gr. Rec. Boston. Wm. B. Lawrence, Gr. Master, Medford. 24 councils, 3,800 members, 423 candidates. Excellent prototype of John W. Dadmun.

Grand Commandery, Oct. 29, 1890, from Alfred F. Chapman, Gr. Rec., Boston. John P. Sanborn, Newburyport, R. I., Gr. Com. 42 commanderies, 8,490 members, 604 candidates.

MICHIGAN.—Grand Lodge, Jan. 28, 1891, from Wm. P. Innes, Grand Rapids, Gr. Sec. John Q. Look, Lowell, Gr. Master. 367 lodges, 31,864 members, 1,944 initiates. A big volume and quickly issued. Fine plate of Grand Master John S. Cross.

Grand Chapter, Jan. 20, 1891, from Wm. P. Innes, Grand Rapids, Gr. Sec. Samuel C. Randall, Flint, Gr. H. P. 120 chapters, 10,166 members, 726 exaltations.

MINNESOTA.—Gr. Lodge, Jan. 14, 1891, from Thomas Montgomery, St. Paul, Gr. Sec. Alphonso Barto, Sauk Centre, Gr. Master. 188 lodges, 12,168 members, 945 initiates.

MISSISSIPPI.—Grand Lodge, Feb. 1891, from J. L. Power, Jackson, Grand Sec. John M. Ware, Starkville, Grand Master. 273 lodges, 8,390 members, 720 initiates.

Grand Council, Feb. 10, 1891, from Fred-eric Speed, Vicksburg, Gr. Master. J. L. Power, Jackson, Gr. Rec. 7 councils, 189 members, 19 candidates. Same from J. L. Power, Gr. Sec.

NEBRASKA.—We did Bro. Bowen injustice in saying that he did not give the number of lodges. It was stated on the first page of proceedings.

NEW JERSEY.—Grand Council, Jan. 27, 1891, from Chas. Bechtel, Trenton, Gr. Rec. Lewis G. Dawson, Newark, Gr. Master. 7 councils, 402 members, 24 candidates.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.—Grand Commandery, Sept. 30, 1890, from Geo. P. Cleaves, Concord, Gr. Rec. Henry A. Marsh, Nashua, Gr. Com. 10 commanderies, 1,558 members, 122 knights.

NEW YORK.—Grand Chapter, Feb. 3, 1891, from Christopher G. Fox, Buffalo, Gr. Sec. Wm. J. McDonald, New York, Gr. H. Priest. 185 chapters, 16,145 members, 1,241 exaltations.

PENNSYLVANIA.—Council of Deliberation, Dec. 2, 1890, from Francis M. Highley, Philadelphia, Gr. Sec. Anthony E. Stocker, Philadelphia, Commander-in-Chief.

TENNESSEE.—Report on Correspondence, Grand Lodge, 1891, from Geo. C. Connor, the author. Fine report.

Also Report on Correspondence Grand Commandery, 1891.

UTAH.—Grand Lodge, Jan. 20, 1891, from Chris. Diehl, Salt Lake City, Gr. Sec. Wm. G. Van Horne, Salt Lake City, Gr. Master. 7 lodges, 486 members, 22 initiates.

VIRGINIA.—Grand Lodge, Dec. 9, 1890, from Wm. B. Isaacs, Richmond, Gr. Sec. J. Howard Wayt, Staunton, Grand Master. 224 lodges, 9,930 members.

Grand Chapter, Oct. 28, 1890, from Wm. B. Isaacs, Gr. Sec., Richmond. J. Howard Wayt, Gr. H. P., Staunton. 26 chapters, 1,571 members, 189 exaltations.

Grand Commandery, Oct. 30, 1880, from Wm. B. Isaacs, Gr. Rec., Richmond. Daniel J. Turner, G. Com., Norfolk. 19 commanderies, 1,064 members, 83 candidates.

SOUTHERN SUPREME COUNCIL.—Transactions, Oct. 1890, from Fred Webber, Washington, Sec. Gen. Transactions of the Masonic Veteran Association, D. C., 1887-90, and allocation of Sov. Gr. Commander 1890, from Albert Pike.

NORTHERN SUPREME COUNCIL.—Proceedings Sept. 17, 1890, from A. P. Moriarty, New York, Asst. Gr. Sec. Gen. There are several fine plates of deceased members and the proceedings are valuable and interesting.

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DIED.

In Bangor, Jan. 23, Silas Alden, aged 86 yrs. 7 mos. (See editorial.)

In Skowhegan, Jan. 24, William B. Morrill, aged 93. (See editorial page.)

In Portland, Jan. 27, Daniel S. Warren, aged 50 years. He left a wife and four children. He was a coal dealer, and was a member of Portland Commandery, Maine Consistory and other masonic bodies.

At the Insane Asylum, Augusta, January 16, Ambrose H. Knight, a member of Portland Commandery. He was buried at Lovell, his old home, by Delta Lodge.

In Boston, Feb. 16, killed on the Old Colony Railroad, Ira F. Clark, of Portland, aged 40. He was a member of Greendale Chapter and St. Alban Commandery, of Portland, and Arion Lodge, of Goodwin's Mills, Lyman.

In Camden, Feb. 19, James Perry, aged 72. He was a member of Keystone Chapter and Claremont Commandery.

In Cape Elizabeth, Feb. 24, Hayden P. Barrett, aged 57. He was a member of Hiram Lodge.

In Portland, March 6, Sarah H. C., wife of our late Bro. John B. Fillebrown, aged 70 yrs. 6 mos. 4 days.

At Sebago Lake, March 18, Issac D. Sawyer, aged 61. He was a captain in the 25th Me., and was sheriff in 1881. He belonged to Standish Lodge and St. Alban Commandery.

In Portland, March 24, Charles H. Fessenden, aged 61 yrs. 6 mos. He was a member of Atlantic Lodge, Portland Commandery, and other masonic bodies of Portland.

In Portland, April 5, Charles B. Merrill, aged 61 yrs. 11 mos. He was a member of Atlantic Lodge. He graduated at Bowdoin in 1847, and was Lieut.-Col. of the 17th Maine in the war.

In Freeport, April 10, John L. Kelsey, aged 70. In Berlin Falls, N. H., May 4, George Waite Deering, aged 61 years. (See editorial.)

In Portland, May 5, Stephen C. Munsey, aged 86 yrs. 9 mos. He was a native of Wiscasset, and a sailmaker. He was an old mason, having been initiated in Ancient Land-Mark Lodge Jan. 2, 1828.

In Portland, May 11th, Thomas Bentley Lawn, steward of the Cumberland Club, aged 46. He was a K. T. and a 32°, belonging to bodies in New York.

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