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"THE NORWAY SHEEP."

The fierce wind breaking from his bonds comes roaring from the west!
On every long, deep rolling wave the white horse shows his crest
As if a million mighty steeds had burst their masters' hold;
For the wild white sheep of Norway are coming to the fold.

The storm drum shows its warning sign; the sea gulls swoop and cry;
The fleecy clouds are driven fast across the stormy sky;
Along the sands the fresh foam gouts in ghastly sports are rolled;
For the wild white sheep of Norway are coming to the fold.

Wistful the fisher seaward looks, out from the great stone pier;
Wistful he stands, the breakers' call along the cliffs to hear,
To hear across the flowing tide the ceaseless rock bell tolled,
While fast and fierce the Norway sheep are coming to the fold.

"The wife and bairns will get no bread from yonder sea," he thinks,
As his idle coble by the staithes strains at its cable's links;
Small use to bait the lines or see the broad brown sails unrolled,
While the wild white sheep of Norway are coming to the fold.

"God guard the ships at sea to-night," the stern old sailors say,
Straining keen eyes across the waste of heaving, tossing spray,
Recalling many a bitter night of storm and dread of old,
When the wild white sheep of Norway were coming to the fold.

Oh! there is many an aching heart, here in the red roofed town,
As wives and mothers, hear the blast come walling from the down,
Who knows what tale of death or wreck to-morrow may be told?
For the wild white sheep of Norway are coming to the fold.

—[All the Year Round.]

MASONRY IN MAINE.

Lodge Elections.

Aroostook, 197, Blaine. Howard W. Safford, m; Almon O. Nutter, sw; Frank A. Luce, jw; John M. Ramsey, sec.

Naval, 184, Kittery. I. N. Hurd, Jr., m; J. H. Walker, sw; C. M. Prince, jw; Levi L. Goodrich, sec.

Oxford, 18, Norway. Everett F. Bicknell, m; Vivian W. Hills, sw; Theodore L. Webb, jw; Howard D. Smith, sec.

Jefferson, 100, Bryant's Pond. Alden Chase, m; Harry M. Estes, sw; Horatio D. Bryant, jw; James L. Bowker, sec.

Monmouth, 110, Monmouth. Edwin A. Dudley, m; Fred O. Flanders, sw; Henry C. Jacobs, jw; Horace S. Bent, sec.

Plymouth, 75, Plymouth. Walter G. Loud, m; Isaiah M. Whiting, sw; Chas. S. Thompson, jw; Simeon P. Waterhouse, Detroit, sec.

Baskahegan, 175, Danforth. Martin L. Porter, m; Bushrod W. Stinchfield, sw; Charles E. Berry, jw; D. C. Parker, sec.

Liberty, 111, Liberty. Edwin A. Porter, m; Clarence N. Cram, sw; Otis S. Wing, jw; Ambrose P. Cargill, sec.

Morning Star, 41, Litchfield Corner. Wm. H. Tarr, m; James W. Starbird, sw; Freeman W. Jordan, jw; Irving W. Gilbert, sec.

Euclid, 194, Madison. Alfred E. Moore, m; Chas. A. Wilber, sw; Leonard O. Paine, jw; Hiram L. Paris, sec.

Chapter Elections.

Washington, 16, Machias. G. Harris Foster, m; Henry H. Smith, k; Herbert Harris, s; Henry R. Taylor, sec.

York, 5, Saco. Horace H. Burbank, m; Warren W. Ford, k; Gilman N. Deering, s; Melville Woodman, sec.

St. George's, 45, Liberty. Gustavus H. Cargill, m; James Leman, k; Clarence N. Cram, s; Ambrose P. Cargill, sec.

Commandery Elections.

Portland, 2, Portland. George E. Raymond, c; Charles E. Riggs, a; William S. Corey, cg; John S. Russell, rec.

Bradford, 4, Biddeford. Royal E. Gould, c; George F. Goodwin, g; Tristram Hanson, cg; Melville Woodman, Saco, rec.

Constitutions.

Aroostook Lodge, No. 197, at Blaine, was constituted July 15th, its officers installed and the hall dedicated by Grand Master Henry R. Taylor, assisted by D. D. G. M. James Archibald, of Houlton, who acted as Deputy G. Master, Albert W. Clark, of Eastport, Gr. Steward, who acted as Junior Gr. Warden, Herbert Harris, of E. Machias, G. Sen. D., who acted as Grand Marshal, A. M. Wetherbee, of Warren, as Grand Treasurer, Asst. Gr. Tyler, W. C. G. Carney, and other brethren who filled the other offices.

Corner Stone.

The corner stone of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary, on the corner of Congress and Vaughan Streets, Portland, was laid Sept. 19th by the Grand Lodge, Past Grand Master Albion E. Chase, officiating. Addresses were made by Hon. Albion Little and Bro. E. E. Holt, M. D. M. W. Bro. Chase was assisted by Alfred King, as Dep. G. M.; Geo. R. Shaw, Sen. G. W.; C. E. Snow as Jun. G. W.; Wm. O. Fox as Gr.

Treas.; Stephen Berry as Gr. Sec.; Rev. John F. Clymer as Gr. Chaplain; Geo. F. Gould as Gr. Marshal; Frank D. Rogers as Gr. Sen. Deacon; Edward D. Cheney as Gr. Jun. Deacon; Geo. E. Raymond as Gr. Steward; Warren O. Carney, G. Tyler.

Lodge Notes.

Ancient Land-mark Lodge, No. 17, of Portland, had a sail and shore dinner at Portland Club House on Great Diamond Island, August 6th. There was a good attendance of members, friends and ladies.

Atlantic Lodge, No. 81, of Portland, had its annual clambake at Spurwink, August 20th, going out in teams. It was beautiful weather and there were a large number present, who enjoyed themselves very much.

Morning Star Lodge F. and A. M., of Litchfield Corner, conferred the third degree, with a large attendance of members and visiting brethren, Tuesday evening, August 18th. Richmond Lodge was invited and was ably represented by Past Master Whitney and present Master Alexander, and several of their members. R. W. D. D. G. M. William J. Landers, of Gardiner, was present in his official capacity and inspected the work. R. W. D. D. G. M. Bangs, 14th Masonic District, and Past Master Jones of Sabatis, and E. K. Smith, present Master of Rabboni Lodge, Lewiston, were present. After the business and conferring of the degrees, remarks were made by R. W. D. D. G. M. Landers, and each of the gentlemen above mentioned, also by Dr. Enoch Adams and Cyrus Kindrick, M. D., after which followed a bountiful banquet and social time.

York Lodge, No. 22, of Kennebunk, holds a fair about the middle of October, to raise funds to pay for furnishing their new hall.

Commandery Notes.

Portland Commandery, 98 strong, went to Melrose, Mass., July 21st where they were entertained by their old friends of Hugh de Payens, who took them to Nantasket Beach. The following dispatch will show what happened:

NANTASKET BEACH, MASS., July 21. Hugh de Payens Commandery, Knights Templar, of Melrose, held their annual outing here to-day. They were gathered at Hotel Nantasket, where a banquet was served to the party, which numbered fully 700. The commandery had as guests, Portland Commandery of Portland, Me., Mount Horeb Commandery of Concord, N. H., and St. Paul's

Commandery of Dover, N. H., the officers of the Grand Commanderies of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, Maine and New Hampshire, representatives of the National Great Priory of the Knights Templar of Canada, and many prominent commanders in this jurisdiction. They were accompanied by the Salem Cadet Band.

Past Gr. Commander Locke made an admirable speech and Rev. Wm. E. Gibbs another, the latter discussing the late ministerial attack on Masonry. They arrived home at 1:30 the next morning.

DeMolay Commandery of Skowhegan, numbering seventy, including ladies, made an excursion to Moosehead Lake, Sept. 1st. On their return, they were met at Dover by twenty resident knights with a band, escorted through the streets and given a collation.

Claremont Commandery of Rockland and DeValois Commandery of Vinalhaven went to Belfast, September 11th, and were entertained by Palestine Commandery of that city.

Lewiston Commandery, numbering seventy knights and ladies, went to Rangeley Lakes, Sept. 29th and 30th.

A new chapter of the Eastern Star has been organized at Denmark, with Mrs. Parrie M. Davis as matron, and Samuel G. Davis as patron.

The new council of R. and S. Masters, Aroostook, No. 16, at Presque Isle, will be constituted Nov. 10th, at 7 P. M., and Westbrook Council, No. 15, at Westbrook, on Nov. 18th by G. Master Denison E. Seymour, who would be pleased to see as many of the Grand Officers and craftsmen present as can make it convenient.

Books, Papers, etc.

—*Galaxy of Music*, monthly, \$1 a year or 10c. a number, F. Trifet, 408 Washington St., Boston, publisher. No. 55 for July contains five vocal and six instrumental popular pieces, among them Molloy's "Love's Old Sweet Song," Trotter's "In Old Madrid," and Vore's "Only a Year."

—*Statistics of Labor*. Horace G. Wadlin, Chief of Bureau, Massachusetts, sends his 21st annual report and annual statistics for 1890.

—*The Freemason's Journal* of New York, has been reduced to quarto size, which will make it more valuable for binding. There will be a break in the middle of Vol. 7, but better begin late than never.

Open Court, 169 LaSalle Street, Chicago, weekly \$2. A liberal paper which discusses all subjects without bigotry.

Wide Awake, 100 pages each month, only \$2.40 a year. Serial, to begin in December, 1891, "The Lance of Kanana." By Abd el Ardavan. A brilliant story of Oriental adventure and youthful patriotism; historically true. Serial, to begin in December, 1891, "Jack Brereton's Three Months' Ser-

vice." By Mrs. Maria McIntosh Cox. A true story of the Civil War, a Northern village and a young home hero. A Girl's serial, "That Mary Ann!" By Kate Upson Clarke. "Mary Ann" is a girl of our own day. Sure to be the gayest serial of the year. A Dozen Amusing Episodes, "The Writings-Down of Dorothy Holcomb." Two common-sense, real-girl sort of girls; their experiences, and various happenings, projects, opinions. "Fair Harvard!" Several members of the Harvard graduating class of '91—a class notable for its many names of distinction—will contribute to the coming volume. In the Christmas (December) number will be published the first of the group. "Such Stuff As Dreams Are Made Of." By John Mead Howells (son of W. D. Howells); and it is safe to say that the great interest with which this story will be anticipated will be surpassed by the interest of the reader in its fantastic realism. "In A Thunderstorm" By Robert Beverley Hale (son of Edward Everett Hale), the clever second of the set, will be published later in the year. By the author of "Five Little Peppers Grown Up." Margaret Sidney will contribute a number of her inimitable short stories. "One Man's Adventures." By Lieut.-Col. Thorndike. A dozen thrilling adventures, strictly true. Short Stories. Ballads and Poems. Pictorial Articles. D. Lothrop Company, Boston.

General Grand Chapter.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., July 22.

The General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the United States began its 26th annual convocation here to-day.

This body is the largest masonic body in the world, having a membership of 141,901. It is also the oldest body in the United States, and will celebrate its centennial in 1897. The address of welcome was delivered by Mayor Winston and the response by Gen. Grand High Priest David F. Day, of Buffalo, N. Y.

The report of the General Grand Scribe showed that in two years the net growth of the order has been 14,940. The sum of \$1867.96 was collected and \$1680.97 was expended. Interesting reference was made to the growth of the order in Asia, Mexico and South America.

Three hundred delegates were present. A ritual was adopted, the first complete one the G. G. C. has had.

The next convocation will be held at Topeka, Kansas, in July, 1894. Officers were elected as follows:

G. G. H. P.—Joseph P. Hornor, New Orleans, La.

Dep. G. G. H. P.—Geo. L. McCahan, Baltimore, Md.

G. G. King—Reuben C. Lemmon, Toledo, Ohio.

G. G. Scribe—Jas. W. Taylor, Lutherville, Ga.

G. G. Treasurer—Daniel Striker, Hastings, Mich.

G. G. Recorder—Christopher G. Fox, Buffalo, N. Y.

G. G. Capt. Host—Arthur G. Pollard, Lowell, Mass.

G. G. Prin. Soj.—Jos. E. Dyas, Paris, Ill.
G. G. R. A. Capt.—William C. Swain, Milwaukee.

G. G. M. 3d Vail—Nathan Kingsley, Austin, Minn.

G. G. M. 2d Vail—Bernard G. Witt, Henderson, Kentucky.

G. G. M. 1st Vail—George C. Corson, Washington, D. C.

Maine was represented by Deputy Grand H. Priest Albert M. Penley and P. G. H. P. Goulding. Comp. D. E. Seymour was also present, and we are indebted to him for advance copies of the annual address and reports. Comp. C. G. Fox, Gen. Gr. Secretary, also favored us with copies.

General Grand Council.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., July 21.

The General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters met in the council room of the Masonic Temple this morning. About sixty members and representatives from nearly every State in the Union were present. A. W. Sanstrom of St. Paul, Grand Master of Minnesota, bid the visitors welcome. The response was delivered by Orestes A. B. Senter of Columbus, Ohio. G. M. Cooley, R. P., announced the regular committees. After the presentation of the reports of the General Grand Treasurer and General Grand Recorder, these officers were elected:

General Grand Master—Orestes A. B. Senter, of Columbus, Ohio.

General Deputy Grand Master—John W. Coburn, of New York City.

General Grand Principal Conductor—Bradford Nichol, of Nashville, Tenn.

General Grand Treasurer—Charles H. Heaton, of Montpelier, Vt.

General Grand Recorder—Henry W. Mordhurst, of Fort Wayne, Ind.

General Grand Capt. Guard—William A. Love, of Atlanta, Ga.

General Grand Marshal—Chas. H. Bauer, of Minneapolis, Minn.

General Grand Steward—W. B. Lawrence, of Medford, Mass.

The G. Grand Treasurer reported a balance of \$179.80 in the treasury. Maine was reported as promptly paid up. The G. G. Recorder's summary shows 291 councils, 19,638 members, 1,707 candidates, in twenty Grand Councils and four G. G. C. subordinates.

Florida, Louisiana, Maryland and Oregon show a decrease, all the others an increase.

Maine was represented by Grand Master D. E. Seymour, and by Albert M. Penley as Deputy G. M., and Geo. W. Goulding as G. P. C. W. Comp. Seymour kindly sent us copies of the annual address and reports.

The Supreme Council

for the Northern Jurisdiction met at the Masonic Temple in Boston on the fifteenth day of September.

On the call of the roll, the Grand Commander called up the Supreme Council and responded "Dead," as the names of Hosmer A. Johnson, Robert M. C. Graham and Frank H. Bascom, Active Members, and George

W. Deering and Joseph H. Hough, Past Active members, were called. All of the other *forty-six* Active Members and two *Emeritus* members, except Ill. Bro. Albert V. H. Carpenter, of Wisconsin, responded to their names. Bro. Carpenter was detained at home by illness and blindness, but sent in a letter as full of cheerfulness and sunshine as if he was the youngest and most vigorous member of the body.

There were present a large number of Honorary Members — among them Bros. Locke, Hinkley, Marston, Russell, Shaw, Bearce, Mallet, Farnham, Penley and Burnham, of Maine.

As usual, the body was opened on the thirty-second grade, and brethren of that degree were admitted during the delivery of the address of the Grand Commander.

The year had been a harmonious and exceedingly prosperous one, the amount of work done being greater than that of any previous year.

This was the Triennial session for the election of officers: the old incumbents were all re-elected, except that Bro. Newton D. Arnold, of Rhode Island, was elected Grand Treasurer General in place of Bro. Heman Ely, who felt obliged to decline to accept his unanimous re-election, on account of his health, and Bro. George W. Currier was elected Deputy for new Hampshire in place of Bro. Frank A. McKean, who declined further service.

Bro. Ely has served since the union in 1867, twenty-four years; no other brother among the immediate officers of the Supreme Council has served in the same office for so long a time; but among the Deputies, Bros. Carter, of Connecticut, Stocker, of Pennsylvania, and Carson, of Ohio, have served for the same period.

Bro. Marsh O. Perkins was elected and crowned an Active Member for Vermont, in place of Bro. Bascom, and Bro. Gil. W. Barnard for Illinois, in place of Bro. Johnson. In addition, Bro. Albert P. Moriarty, who has served so long and so faithfully as Assistant Grand Secretary General, was elected and crowned an Active Member *at large*, in token of the appreciation of his labors by the Supreme Council and the affection and respect they bear to him.

Various charters were granted, among them one to Dickey Chapter of Rose Croix at Auburn, and one to Delta Lodge of Perfection at Machais.

One affecting and solemn ceremony took place during the session. By a Regulation of the Supreme Council, the roll of the Active and *Emeritus* Members at the time of the Union in 1867, is to be called at the triennial sessions for election of officers as long as one of those members shall be living. This roll was called at this session. When the union took place, each party presented to the other a list of its Active and *Emeritus* Members; by some oversight, the New York council omitted its *Emeritus* members,

and the consolidated list was composed of fifty-six Active and two *Emeritus* members; but the names of two were at once added, so that the whole number on the roll was *sixty*. As the roll was called at this last session, to each name came a response, either "present," "absent" or "dead." As name after name was answered by "dead," and the Grand Secretary General, with streaming eyes and in broken tones, continued the call, heads were bowed, eyes little used to tears were suffused, and the scene was indescribably solemn; of the sixty, *thirty-four* had joined the great majority; but it was with wonder, gratitude and rejoicing that it was found that of the *twenty-six* living, *twenty-four* had answered "present;" Bros. Preble, then of Maine, and Bro. Gould, then of Rhode Island, now of Texas, alone were absent.

Within the past year four, Bros. Johnson, Deering, Hough and Graham, had died; so that if the roll had been called last year, the living and the dead would have been just equal.

At the time of the union, Connecticut was represented by three, Bros. Highley, Carter and Bentley, all of whom are living and were present and answered to their names; on the other hand New Hampshire's four, Christie, George, King and Barrett, and New Jersey's two, Corson and Hough, had all left us: of Rhode Island's three, two had died and the other was absent. The other states were represented, but with broken ranks: Massachusetts and New York each had twelve in 1867; in 1891, the former had *five* and the latter *four*—but the *whole nine* were present, to the joy of all.

Among the present Active Members of the Supreme Council who were Honorary Members at the time of "the Union" are Bros. Vincent L. Hurlburt, of Illinois, Chas. Brown, of Ohio, Charles E. Meyer, of Philadelphia, Edward P. Burnham and Marquis F. King, of Maine.

There was no important legislation; several pending amendments of the constitution occasioned considerable discussion but were all rejected.

The Honorary degree was conferred upon some thirty brethren, including Bros. J. Ambrose Merrill, Moses M. Hastings, William C. Mason and Herbert Harris, of Maine.

Many of the brethren had their wives with them, and the Boston brethren gave them a Tally-ho ride on Wednesday afternoon, during which they called at the grounds of Bro. Benjamin Dean, where an elegant collation was served. The Supreme Council departed from its fixed rule of not allowing pleasure excursions to interfere with its business to the extent of substituting a session Wednesday evening for the usual afternoon session of that day. The unusual turn out decidedly puzzled "the small boy" of East Boston, it is said. He was present in great numbers. He at once decided that it was not a funeral; was rather of the opinion that

it was not a circus; thought possibly it might be Mrs. Harrison and her party; but on the whole concluded that he couldn't guess what it was. In spite of all this, the party had an exceedingly pleasant time and the occasion was one long to be remembered, as the participants informed the unfortunates whose committee duties prevented their having actual knowledge upon the subject.

The session lasted till quite late in the afternoon of Thursday, when the Chain of Union was formed and the Supreme Council closed, to meet on the third Tuesday of September next in Providence. J. H. D.

"Mitchell's History of Freemasonry."

BRO. BERRY:—I have had several inquiries in relation to "Mitchell's History of Freemasonry," which canvassers have been offering to the craft. The original edition was issued in two volumes *over thirty years ago*; the author issued an edition "reduced to one volume," twenty years ago. When I received the inquiries, as I had not seen the work now offered for sale, I supposed it was a revised edition. But I am surprised to find that the books now offered for sale are *printed from the plates of the first edition*, except that the title page is changed by the omission of the date, and the year is also omitted from the statement of copyright.

The work contains the numerous errors of the first edition, such as, for instance, making Thomas Smith Webb the first Grand Master of Massachusetts Grand Lodge, at its organization in 1777! It comes down only to 1858, the date of the preparation of the original edition.

I can account for its publication at the present time only upon the supposition that, since Bro. Mitchell's death, somebody (probably not a mason) has secured the plates for a song, and is endeavoring to make money by issuing the book without any information as to when it was prepared for publication, but in such a manner as to give the impression that the book is a new one. The brethren, who have applied to me, received that impression, and there is nothing in the title page giving any information as to when it was actually prepared or published.

I hold that it is so unworthy of the patronage of the craft, and yet issued in such a manner as to be likely to give a false impression, that the masonic newspapers ought to put the brethren on their guard to save them from imposition.

JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND.

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.
St. Andrew's, Bangor,	22
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?

GRAND LODGE OF MAINE.

PORTLAND, July 15, 1891.



Secretaries of all masonic bodies are requested to notice that elections must be instantly reported to the Grand Secretary, so that he may have the addresses

of the new officers.

When the Secretary is changed the old Secretary must report, so that the new one may be recognized.

STEPHEN BERRY,
Acting Grand Secretary.



GRAND LODGE OF MAINE,

FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS.

Office of the Grand Master,

Machias, October 1, 1891.

To the several lodges of F. and A. Masons in Maine, and to the craft universal:

"What man is he that liveth and shall not see death?"

Our venerable Grand Secretary, Bro. Ira Berry, died in Portland, September 20th, aged ninety years.

Since 1856, he has with scrupulous fidelity held the important position of Recording Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

Few men attain his age, few hold an official position of such trust for so many successive terms. Few masons in this, or in sister jurisdictions, have been more widely known. Thousands, who had not a personal acquaintance with him, were yet familiar with his clear-cut autograph, typical of a simplicity and beauty of life, which has continued so far beyond "the length of days" appointed for man's existence.

Unassuming in demeanor—social, yet methodical in his habits—genial and cheerful in his nature—possessing exquisite tastes and sympathies, his heart seem "never to grow old," for—

"Grains of golden wisdom and kind deeds,
Heaped not the threshing-floor alone—
But scattered all along life's sunny road."

May his memory be kindly cherished by the fraternity.

He was buried September 23d, the M. W. Grand Lodge having been convened in special communication for that purpose. Other masonic bodies also shared in fitting tributes of respect and esteem.

I have appointed, as Acting Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge, (appointment dating from September 21st,) Bro. Stephen Berry, whose services as Assistant Grand Secretary have, during the past years, been

so faithfully rendered, and we doubt not appreciated by the craft.

HENRY R. TAYLOR, *Gr. Master.*
Attest, STEPHEN BERRY,
Acting Grand Secretary.

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF MAINE.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND HIGH PRIEST,
Bangor, October 1, 1891.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter, the High Priests, Officers and Members of our subordinate chapters and all with whom we are in correspondence.

It is with sorrow that I make to you the official announcement of the death of our Venerable Grand Secretary,

R. E. COMP. IRA BERRY,
which occurred at his home in Portland, September 20th.

He was buried with appropriate ceremonies by the Grand Lodge, on what would have been his ninetieth birthday, September 23d.

With rare tact and ability Bro. BERRY performed the duties of Recording Grand Secretary from May, 1854, to the time of his death.

He was quiet and unassuming in manner—kind and gentle to all—a lover of music and a poet of no mean ability.

That flowers and all the works of nature were very dear to him, is shown by these lines from one of his poems:

"O who can look around, nor feel each impulse of his soul
Ascend in gratitude to Him who bids the season roll,
Whose power with beauty decks the field, with verdure clothes the sod,
Sure, he who studies Nature's book MUST WORSHIP NATURE'S GOD."

In token of our respect for his memory—let this communication be read at the next convocation after its reception—the facts entered of record and the emblems of mourning displayed, for a period of ninety days.

R. E. Comp. Stephen Berry is hereby appointed Acting Grand Secretary, until the next annual convocation of the Grand Chapter.

CHARLES I. COLLAMORE,
Grand High Priest.
Attest, STEPHEN BERRY,
Acting Grand Secretary.

GRAND COUNCIL OF MAINE.

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS.

Office of the Grand Master,
Calais, September 25, 1891.

To the Grand Officers and Members of the Grand Council, R. & S. M., Maine:

It has become my melancholy duty to officially announce to you the invasion into our S. V. of the ever unwelcome messenger, Death, who, with unerring blast has extinguished the vital spark—the remnant of animated life—and winged "to that higher lodge above," the immortal spirit of our lamented and venerable Grand Recorder

R. I. COMP. IRA BERRY,
who died at his residence in the city of Port-

land, on the 20th inst., having attained the ripe old age of ninety years.

And by this are we reminded that "The old *must* die, the young may die, and the wisest knoweth not how soon," as taught in the sublime lesson of our beautiful ceremonial, and which admonishes us to be ever on the alert, that when the summons comes we may also be ready.

In the death of our beloved and venerated companion, not only has this Grand Jurisdiction suffered a great and lamentable loss, in which the various rites of Freemasonry with which he was identified may justly share, and mingle their sympathetic condolence with the bereaved relatives and friends, but the fraternity at large, wherever dispersed, must unite in a common grief.

It is therefore ordered, that this announcement be published in each subordinate council in this Grand Jurisdiction, at the next succeeding stated or special assembly held after its reception, and that it be spread upon the records; and further, that the jewels be draped with the usual emblems of mourning for the period of ninety days.

DENISON E. SEYMOUR,
M. I. Grand Master.

Attest, STEPHEN BERRY,
Acting Grand Recorder.

GRAND COUNCIL OF MAINE,
ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS.

Office of the Grand Master,

Calais, September 25, 1891.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Council, of each subordinate Council under this jurisdiction, and to all Royal and Select Masters, GREETING.

To fill the vacancy in the office of Grand Recorder, occasioned by the death of R. I. Comp. IRA BERRY, who died in the city of Portland, on the 20th inst., I have this day appointed, and do hereby appoint

R. I. Comp. STEPHEN BERRY,
of the said city of Portland, to be Acting Grand Recorder, and that as such his official acts will be duly recognized until the next succeeding Annual Assembly of this Grand Council.

Given under my hand, and the Seal of the Grand Council of R. and S. M. of Maine, this twenty-fifth day of September, A. D. 1891, A. Dep.: 2891.

DENISON E. SEYMOUR,
Most Illustrious Grand Master.

Attest, STEPHEN BERRY,
Acting Grand Recorder.

GRAND COMMANDERY OF MAINE.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND COMMANDER,

Bangor, September 26, 1891.

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 2.

To the Sir Knights of Maine.

It becomes my painful duty to announce to you the deaths of two eminent Sir Knights of this jurisdiction—

V. E. Sir JOSEPH FREDERIC LEAVITT,
Past Deputy Grand Commander, Died at
Boston, Mass., June 30, 1891.

E. Sir IRA BERRY,
Grand Recorder, Died at Portland, Septem-
ber 20, 1891.

By the death of these fratres, our Grand
Commandery has sustained heavy loss.
Their names, in the community in which
they lived, as well as in Masonry, were
synonymous of honesty and ability. Their
work was well done and we have full faith
that they will receive the commendation of
the Supreme Grand Commander, as well as
"the honors and rewards which await the
valiant Templar."

In testimony of our respect for their mem-
ory and of our grief for their loss, this order
will be read at the head of the lines in each
commandery at the first stated conclave
after its reception.

ARLINGTON B. MARSTON,
Grand Commander.

Attest, STEPHEN BERRY,
Acting Grand Secretary.

GRAND COMMANDERY OF MAINE.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND COMMANDER,
Bangor, September 26, 1891.

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 3.

By the death of E. Sir IRA BERRY, the
office of Grand Recorder has become vacant.

I therefore appoint E. Sir STEPHEN BERRY
as Acting Grand Recorder of the Grand
Commandery of Maine, to serve until the
next regular conclave of the Grand Com-
mandery.

ARLINGTON B. MARSTON,
Grand Commander.

Attest, STEPHEN BERRY,
Acting Grand Recorder.

Ira Berry.

[P. G. M. Marquis F. King, in *Masonic Jour-
nal*, October.]

Unto the grave, with mournful hearts and
tender hands, we have resigned the body of
our beloved Grand Secretary.

Ira Berry was born in New Durham, N.
H., Sept. 23, 1801, and was the son of Ste-
phen and Alice (Chamberlain) Berry, and the
grandson of Stephen Berry, a veteran offi-
cer of the French war, who was descended
from William Berry, who came over to
Portsmouth with Mason in 1630. He learned
the printing trade in Dover, N. H., being ap-
prenticed to John Mann in 1818. As a
journeyman, he worked in several offices in
New Hampshire, Massachusetts and in
Maine; as editor and publisher, he was con-
nected with several newspapers, at one time
a partner in the *Eastern Argus* with the late
Charles Holden, under the firm name of
Berry and Holden. He assisted in building
the first telegraph line between Boston and
New York, and was the first operator and
manager of the Boston office. He was a
democrat in politics, but appears to have
followed the leadership of the late Francis

O. J. Smith, which, although somewhat er-
ratic, was often on the winning side. He
was twice appointed to positions in the Cust-
om House; first in 1840, but the early death
of President Harrison caused changes, and
again in 1849 after the election of Gen. Tay-
lor, whose cause he advocated as editor of
the "*Umpire*" he was given the position of
Inspector, which he held four years.

As a politician, Bro. Berry was better
known for his social qualities than as a par-
tisan. He was very popular at Augusta,
and old politicians like James W. Bradbury
and Governor Dunlap used to speak with
delight of his talent at singing comic songs
and telling funny stories. Enoch Knight
once described him as "the chiefest among
ten thousand and the one altogether lively." His talent as a writer was in the literary
line, and his contributions of verse and prose
were elegant and valuable. His taste was
excellent, and such admirable writers as
Charles S. Daveis would ask his suggestions
in revising their proofs, while Governor Dun-
lap once said, "You know you always were
my Mangus Apollo!" He was frequently
called upon for poems and songs for public
celebrations, and was quite happy in the dis-
charge of such duties.

In 1853, he again established himself in
the job printing business, where he was
joined by his eldest son, Stephen, who, after
his father's election to the office of Grand
Secretary, succeeded to the business, and
has by repeated appointments been Assist-
ant Secretary.

Bro. Berry, number 463 on the roll of
Ancient Landmark Lodge, was initiated
March 2, 1853, and at the next election was
made Junior Warden. In 1854 he was
chosen Secretary, in which office he served
most acceptably for eleven years, and on
his retirement he was presented by the
lodge with a Secretary's jewel, and soon
after elected to Honorary membership. In
1854 he was elected Secretary of the Grand
Chapter, and in 1856 to the corresponding
office in the Grand Lodge, Grand Council
and Grand Commandery. In all these
offices he continued until relieved by death.
He was an ideal Secretary and as such was
widely known throughout the masonic
world. He religiously devoted himself to
observing the proceedings of the lodge, and
making a fair record of the same, and his
records are indeed fair, not only fair to the
eye, but fair to all who participated in the
work. His records are a monument far
more beautiful than marble, and we hope
more enduring than the finest bronze.

On December 1, 1831, he married Lydia
M. Hobart, at Hingham, Mass., a descendant
of one of the founders of that town, who
survives him. They had nine children, six
of whom are now living, many grandchil-
dren and great grandchildren, numbering
over fifty, of whom he has been in the habit
of gathering at the home roof, as many as
possible, on his wedding anniversaries, on

which occasions the chronicles of the year
and literary contributions have been read,
with songs and instrumental music.

He was an accomplished musical scholar
and critic, and was an active supporter of
most of the musical enterprises of the city.
He was one of the few honorary members
of the Ladies' Rossini Club, and a constant
attendant at their rehearsals and recitals.

He was almost equally interested in
botany and one of the authorities on rare
wild flowers, which he had diligently sought
and gathered from his childhood, when he
first learned to know them from an old
Indian woman in the New Hampshire for-
ests.

He died at his home on Brown St., Port-
land, on the 20th day of Sept., and on the
90th anniversary of his birth, his body was
buried in Evergreen Cemetery with the
honors of Masonry by the Grand Lodge of
Maine, M. W. Josiah H. Drummond, by re-
quest of Grand Master Taylor, officiating as
Grand Master. The procession was formed
at the Masonic Hall, consisting of Ancient
Landmark Lodge, Mount Vernon Chapter,
Portland Council, representatives of A. and
A. Rite, of which he was a member of the
32°, and the Grand Lodge of Maine, under
escort of Portland and St. Alban Command-
eries united as one commandery, with
Chandler's band.

When the procession started it moved
first to the late residence of the deceased on
Brown street. There private services were
being held, attended by the family and a
few friends. The remains were taken under
escort and the line moved slowly to the
New Jerusalem church on High street,
which was already well filled when the
masonic bodies arrived.

Rev. William B. Hayden, the venerable
ex-pastor of the church, read selections
from the scriptures and then delivered an
address. It was full of feeling; it was
thoughtful and hopeful and helpful. Mr.
Hayden did not make himself a biographer
or historian, nor did he even dwell long on
the personal characteristics of Mr. Berry,
but he called attention, quietly, to some of
the more striking points in his personality,
and set them forth in a way which was bet-
ter than any formal eulogy would have
been, and it was easily seen that the speak-
er's heart was as young as that of his friend
had been. The literary and artistic tastes
of the deceased, the sweetness of his home
life, and the love and respect in which he
was held by the more than half a hundred
of his descendants were not passed over un-
noticed.

After the services in the church the pro-
cession reformed and proceeded to the grave,
where the Sir Knights formed a hollow
square, within which the masons performed
their last sad rites in presence of mourn-
ing friends. The burial service was most
eloquently read by Bro. Drummond, an af-
fecting tribute of love and sincere affection

in which he received the assistance of Deputy Grand Master Burbank and Grand Warden Shaw, Rev. Bro. John F. Clymer, D. D. officiating as Grand Chaplain. The pallbearers were: Past Grand Master E. P. Burnham of Saco, and Past Grand Warden John W. Ballou of Bath, representing the Grand Lodge. Grand High Priest Charles I. Collamore, of Bangor, and Grand Treasurer Rufus H. Hinkley, of Portland, representing the Grand Chapter. Grand Commander Arlington B. Marston, of Bangor, and Sir Knight William G. Davis, of Portland, representing the Grand Commandery, and Sir Knight E. B. Mallet, Jr., 33°, of Freeport, and Sir Knight William O. Fox, 32°, of Portland, representing the Scottish Rite. In addition to the already named, were many prominent Masons from out of the city, among which were Past Grand Wardens, Joseph M. Hayes, of Bath, and Alden M. Wetherbee, of Warren.

Royal Order of Scotland.

The Provincial Grand Lodge of the Royal Order of Scotland met at the Hotel Vendome in Boston, on Monday, September 14th, at 2 P. M.

While the death of the Provincial Grand Master cast a gloom of sadness over all present, the meeting was more largely attended, more enthusiastic and probably more important than any of its predecessors. Bros. Edward P. Burnham and Edmund B. Mallet, Jr., of Maine, were present.

It had lost five members during the year, Bros. Albert Pike, Prov. G. Master, Robert M. C. Graham, of New York, George W. Deering of New Hampshire, Caleb H. Benton of Iowa, and Frank H. Bascom of Vermont, of all of whom acting Prov. Gr. Master Drummond gave a memoir in his address.

The theory of Provincial Grand Lodges held to by the Grand Lodge of the Order is the old one that a Provincial Grand Master is appointed, and he makes up a Provincial Grand Lodge, which theoretically ceases to exist when he ceases to be Provincial Grand Master. In this case, however, by a special provision in the charter, the Provincial Grand Lodge continued to exist three months after Bro. Pike's death to give time to appoint his successor, and thus continue the existence of the Provincial Grand Lodge.

After his death, the Grand Lodge raised the question of dividing the United States into several Provinces, and establishing a Provincial Grand Lodge in each, and in order to give an opportunity for the existing body to give an expression upon this matter, its existence was extended to October 31st, with the Deputy as Acting Provincial Grand Master.

Another important question arose; when the Provincial Grand Lodge was organized, it limited its membership to 150, to be equally taken from the Northern and Southern Scottish Rite Jurisdictions, with the right to receive 25 more "at large," that is without

reference to their residence in either of those jurisdictions. Until 1890, this limit had been of no consequence, as it had not been reached; but then more applications were received than there were vacancies; but as the vacancies were sufficient to allow the election of all who were able to receive the orders at that time, its serious consideration was not demanded. But this year, the Prov. Gr. Lodge found itself in such a position that it must decline to receive any applications, or must extend or repeal the limit. After full consideration and discussion, both resolutions were repealed, thus making the Prov. Gr. Lodge in every respect a National Body, and leaving it free to add to its membership at its discretion at each meeting.

Upon the other question, the sentiment was unanimous against a division of the jurisdiction, and a resolution was unanimously adopted, requesting that the Provincial Grand Lodge be continued with its former powers and privileges.

A resolution was also unanimously adopted, recommending the appointment of the Acting Provincial Grand Master as the successor of Bro. Pike.

A large number of brethren were admitted, among them Bros. Herbert Harris, Augustus B. Farnham, Arlington B. Marston, Moses M. Hastings, William C. Mason, George R. Shaw, John S. Russell, Samuel F. Bearce and Christopher Way.

Bro. Joseph A. Locke was elected, but on account of sudden and severe illness was not able to receive the degrees on either of the two days while the body was in session.

The annual dinner was served Monday evening at the Vendome. Nearly one hundred ladies and gentlemen participated. A new feature was introduced; the toasts were offered and the responses made at about the middle of the list of courses. Two results happened: the responses were brief, and the dinner was ended at a comparatively early hour.

Among the ladies from Maine present were Mrs. and Miss King, Mrs. Locke, Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Shaw and Mrs. Bearce.

In regular order the next session would be held in Washington in October, 1892; but, of course, if the jurisdiction shall be divided the recent session will be the last session of this particular body. On account of the absence of the Provincial Grand Secretary upon his vacation, the sending of the formal papers to Edinburgh has been delayed till so recent a time that no reply as to the decision of the Grand Lodge can be expected till late in the month. *

Obituary.

SAMUEL R. LEAVITT was born in Portland, Oct. 10, 1810, and died of paralysis, in Milbury, Mass., at the residence of his daughter, July 17, 1891, aged 81 years. He was a sailmaker, and of the old firm of Leavitt & Lovell until 1861, when he went

into the Custom House as weigher and gauger for many years. He had been in the city government, was a prominent member of the Mechanic Association, a veteran fireman and chief engineer, a leading member of Chestnut Street Church and a valued member of Portland Lodge, which he joined in 1846.

WILLIAM HACKER. This aged and distinguished brother died at his home in Shelbyville, Indiana, July 28, 1891, and was buried 31st, by the Grand Lodge, Grand Master Nicholas R. Ruckle officiating. A large body of masons were in attendance.

He was born Dec. 5, 1810, at Big Darly Plains, Ohio, and was 80 years, 7 months and 23 days old. He left a wife and six children.

He was initiated July 9, 1832, was Grand Master in 1863-4, Grand Secretary 1865-7, Grand High Priest 1855-7 and in 1860, Grand Master of Grand Council 1856-61, Grand Commander 1864-5, President of High Priesthood, 1855-75; was Grand King of General Grand Chapter, and a 33° in the Scottish Rite, Northern Jurisdiction. The sum total of his service in official masonic positions was nearly *three hundred years*. He has left a masonic library of 2,000 volumes to the craft. He was the author of a Guide to High Priesthood, printed by Ira Berry & Son, Portland, Me., in 1864.

Bro. Hacker was Representative of the Grand Lodge of Maine near that of Indiana from the earliest date of such appointments.

MRS. HUGH MCCURDY. Diana E. McCurdy, the wife of the Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, died at Corunna, Michigan, Sept. 1st, aged 58 years, after a long and painful illness. Mrs. McCurdy had spent two summers in Casco Bay, and generally accompanied her husband to the meeting of the Supreme Council, so that many of the eastern craft had the good fortune to make her acquaintance. Like her husband, she was genial and warm-hearted, and her friendship was a pleasant thing to have.

JAMES R. LUNT died at his residence in Portland, October 11th, aged 61.

He was a graduate of the Bowdoin Medical school, and for a few years immediately after graduation practiced as a physician in St. Johnsbury, Vt. He came to this city upward of forty years ago and opened an apothecary store, practicing medicine in connection with that business, and acquiring a handsome competence thereby. His store on Congress street was one of the landmarks of the city until a few years ago, when it was pulled down to make room for the elegant "Lunt Block" which now occupies its site.

Socially Bro. Lunt was a pleasant and companionable man and had solid qualities, which gave him the respect and confidence of those who knew him intimately well. He was a member of the board of overseers of the poor for many years, and was a member of the board at the time of his decease.

He leaves a widow and two sons, Frank D. and James C.

He was made a mason in Ancient Landmark Lodge in 1862, and was a member of the Scottish Rite bodies.

The Boston Regalia Co. have removed to No. 7 Temple Place. See their advertisement on page 144.

We are indebted to Bros. James C. Ayer and Roscoe G. Smith, for complimentary tickets to the 14th Annual Fair of the Ossipee Valley Union Agr. Association at Cornish, Sept 1-3.

We had a very pleasant visit from Past Grand Master I. H. Stearns of Montreal August 20th.

We acknowledge with thanks an invitation from the Manhattan Athletic Club of New York to the opening of the Manhattan Field, Sept. 19th.

Deputy Grand Master Hugh McCurdy called at our office twice in the early morning of Sept. 18th, on his way back from the Supreme Council, but he had to take the Grand Trunk morning train, and we missed his pleasant greeting.

The Masonic Veteran Association, of Illinois, holds its sixth Annual Reception at the home of Gen. John C. Smith, its Chief, 65 Sibley Road, Chicago, Oct. 28th, and we acknowledge, with thanks, an invitation to attend. The invitation cards are very quaint.

Bro. Ed. C. Parmelee, Gr. Secretary of Colorado, has removed from Pueblo to Denver.

Editorial Chips.

—The Past Grand Commanders' Association of Connecticut held their anniversary meeting at Fort Griswold House, New London, July 16th. There are twenty-six P. G. C.s in Connecticut, and sixteen of them, with their wives, were there.

—The English literary lodge, Quatuor Coronati, had a field day July 14th, inspecting the antiquities in Cobham Church, castle and cathedral and places made famous by Dickens.

—Grand Master Gobin, of the Grand Encampment of the United States, has received a petition for a dispensation to organize a commandery of Knights Templar at Phoenix, Ariz. The petitioners represent nearly every jurisdiction in the United States. How hot they will find it giving the orders there in uniform!

—The Grand Lodge of Canada at its late meeting, July 22d, refused to amend the constitution so that business should be done in the third degree, refused the temperance amendment, that prohibiting dual membership, and that for permanently meeting at Toronto. Grand Master J. Ross Robertson, of Toronto, and Grand Secretary J. J. Mason, of Hamilton, were re-elected.

—The Grand Chapter of Canada July 24th re-elected J. J. Mason, of Hamilton, G. H. Priest, and David McLellan, of Hamilton, Gr. Sec.

—The Grand Priory K. T. of Canada, at Toronto, July 21st, elected Henry Robertson of Collingwood, Grand Master, and Daniel Spry of Barrie, Ont., Grand Chancellor (or Recorder.)

—A mourning circular from the Grand Chapter of Illinois announces the death Aug. 18th, at his home in Chester, of Past Gr. High Priest John Dallas Hamilton, at the age of 58.

—A monument to the Poet Burns was unveiled in the town of Ayre, July 8th. The masons were largely represented.

—Wm. P. Anderson, Past Gr. Master of the Grand Council of Massachusetts and Grand Representative of Maine, died suddenly at Passaic, N. J., Aug. 4th. He was born at Roxbury, Mass., May 24, 1836.

—Dr. Wm. A. Love, Chapter Correspondent of Georgia, has met with a severe accident that will confine him to his house for several months.

—Grand Secretary Parvin, of Iowa, sends out a very neat memorandum book, of which we have received a copy.

—The masons of Gorham, N. H., have an elegant new hall built by Gen. A. S. Twitchell, who gives them one year's rent.

—Bro. E. A. Guilbert, of Iowa, is mourning for his son Eugene A. Guilbert, who died at Jackson, Miss., at the age of 41. He was a physician.

—Bro. Geo. B. Loring, of Salem, Ex-Minister to Portugal, died Sept. 14, aged 74.

—The Supreme Council for the U. S. (Cerneau), John J. Gorman, Gr. Com., has issued an edict against the New Grand Lodge of Ohio.

—Past Grand Master John H. B. Latrobe, died at Baltimore, Sept. 11, aged 87. He was one of the most distinguished citizens of Maryland.

Our Thanks.

ALABAMA.—Grand Commandery, May 20, 1891, from Edmund R. Hastings, Montgomery, G. Rec. John A. McKinnon, Selina, Gr. Com. 9 commanderies, 308 members, 56 knights.

CANADA.—Grand Lodge July 15, 1891, from J. J. Mason, Hamilton, Gr. Sec. J. Ross Robertson, Toronto, Gr. M. 348 lodges, 20,892 members, 1741 initiates.

Grand Chapter, July 24, 1891, from David McLellan, Hamilton, O., Gr. Scribe E. J. J. Mason, Hamilton, Grand Z. 84 chapters, 3,954 members, 284 candidates.

CONNECTICUT.—Grand Chapter, May 12, 1891, from Joseph K. Wheeler, Hartford, Gr. Sec. Charles H. Chesebro, Putnam, G. H. P. 38 chapters, 4,739 members, 232 exaltations.

Grand Council, May 11, 1891, from Joseph K. Wheeler, Hartford, Gr. Rec. Atherton L. Barnes, N. Haven, G. M. 21 Councils, 2,630 members, 157 candidates.

Veteran Association, 21st reunion June 20, 1891, from Wm. Wallace Lee, of Meriden, Venerable Chief. There were 93 members present, of whom the oldest was 82 years. The oldest member is Israel Coe, 95 years old.

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DIED.

In San Francisco, June 19, Capt. Robert W. Simpson, a native of Brunswick, Me., and a member of Occidental Lodge, aged 76 yrs. 10 m. 5 days.

In San Francisco, July, Robert C. Green, of Eastern Lodge, Eastport, Me.

In San Francisco, July 12, Capt. Geo. H. Larabee, of Polar Star Lodge, Bath, Me., aged 55 y. 6 m. 22 d. Funeral by Mission Lodge.

In Milbury, Mass., July 17, Samuel R. Leavitt, aged 81 yrs. (See obituary.)

In Old Orchard, July 18, of heart disease, John Melroy, of Winthrop, aged 62. He was a native of Scotland, a member of Temple Lodge, Winthrop, Winthrop Chapter and of Trinity Commandery, Augusta.

In Portland, July 19, Freeman N. Weeks, aged 32. Funeral by Ancient Land Mark Lodge.

In Boston, suddenly, of pneumonia, Edward C. Allen, of Augusta, aged 42. He was a member of Bethlehem Lodge and Trinity Commandery. Bro. Allen was extensively known as a wealthy and enterprising publisher, and was the most prominent business man in Augusta.

In Shelbyville, Indiana, July 28, William Hacker, aged 80 yrs. 7 mos. 23 days. (See obituary.)

In Lewiston, Aug. 24, Dr. W. S. Howe, of Rabboni Lodge, aged 58. He was a member of the 1st Maine Cavalry.

In Portland, Sept. 9, Thomas Dearing, a member of Ancient Landmark Lodge, aged 71 y. 11 m. Masonic funeral.

In Oakland, Sept. 10, William Macartney, Past Master of Messalonskee Lodge. Masonic funeral 13th.

In Cumberland Center, Sept. 21, Amos J. Osgood, aged 59, a member of Casco Lodge, Yarmouth.

In Portland, Sept. 20, Ira Berry, Grand Secretary, aged 90.

In Portland, Oct. 11, James R. Lunt, aged 61. (See obituary.)



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STEPHEN BERRY, Acting Gr. Sec'y.