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"INDIAN SUMMER."

BY MRS. FRANCIS L. MACE.

When the hunter's moon is waning,
And hangs like a crimson bow,
And the frosty fields of morning
Are white with phantom snow,
Who then is the beautiful spirit
That wanders, smiles and grieves
Along the desolate hillsides
And over the drifted leaves?

There's a rustle of soft, slow footsteps,
The toss of a purple plume,
And the glimmer of golden arrows
Athwart the lazy gloom.
'Tis the smoke of the happy wigwams
That reddens our wintry sky.
The scent of unfading forests
That is dreamily floating by.

O shadow sister of summer!
Astray from the world of dreams,
Thou wraith of the bloom departed,
Thou echo of springtide streams,
Thou moonlight and starlight vision
Of a day that will come no more,
Would that our love might win thee
To dwell on this stormy shore!

But the roaming Indian goddess
Stays not for our tender sighs;
She has heard the call of her hunters
Beyond the sunset skies.
By her beaming arrows stricken
The last leaves fluttering fall,
With a sigh and a smile she has vanished,
And darkness is over all.

MASONRY IN MAINE.

Lodge Elections.

Rural, 53, Sidney. Sewall A Clark, m; Frank Abbott, sw; Eugene H Herrin, jw; James F Warren, sec.

Jefferson, 100, Bryant's Pond. James L Bowker, m; James M Day, sw; Charles H Berry, jw; Alden Chase, sec.

Asylum, 183, Wayne. Fred'k L Cheney, m; B Frank Bradford, sw; Arthur W Manter, jw; Charles S Haynes, sec.

Liberty, 111, Liberty. Oren W Ripley, South Montville, m; Winfield W Lunt, Montville, sw; Percy Leman, Libertyville, jw; Ambrose P Cargill, sec.

Morning Star, 41, Litchfield Corner. William E Tarr, m; Thos T Jenkins, sw; Geo E Ring, jw; Irving W Gilbert, sec. Installed by Herbert M. Starbird, Past D. D. G. M.

Franklin, 123, New Sharon. Augustus W Morrill, m; John M Rowe, sw; Fred W Saunders, jw; James H Howes, sec.

Davis, 191, Strong. Charles B Richardson, m; Oliver B Small, sw; Harry E Bell, jw; E H Vaughan, sec.

Chapter Elections.

King Hiram, 9, Lewiston. T Lloyd Pratt, HP; Ralph W Crockett, K; Rodney A Swift, sc; Geo A Callahan, sec. A gold jewel was presented to the retiring High Priest, R. Ellis Hathaway.

St. George's, 45, Liberty. Chas S Adams, South Montville, HP; Charles E Gilman, South Montville, K; Adelbert Millett, Seasmont, sc; Ambrose P Cargill, sec.

Commandery Elections.

Portland, 2, Portland. Aug F Moulton, COM; C Fred Berry, GEN; Charles D Clark, CG; John S Russell, REC. A gold jewel was presented to Harry R Virgin, the retiring Commander.

St. Omer, 12, Waterville. John Phillips, COM; J Fred Hill, GEN; Chas F Johnson, CG; Thomas E Ransted, REC.

Dedication.

The new masonic hall of Dulap Lodge in Biddeford will be dedicated by the Grand Lodge on Monday evening, Nov. 15th, at 7 o'clock.

Fire.

NEGUEMKEAG LODGE.—In the desolating fire at Vassalboro in the early summer, Neguemkeag Lodge lost about \$700 above their insurance. They had a convenient little hall, and were well situated. They saved the charter, records, regalia, and some of the furniture. They will probably obtain a share in the Odd Fellows Hall, which is a good one.

Excursions.

Trinity Commandery of Augusta, St. Omer of Waterville and DeMolay of Skowhegan, went to Gardiner, 250 strong, Aug. 13th, where they were received by Maine Commandery. Thence they proceeded by boat to Fort Popham, at the mouth of the Kennebec river, where they had a clambake. They returned in the evening.

Winslow Lewis Commandery of Salem, Mass., visited Bath, August 12th, and were received by Danlap Commandery, which gave them an excursion to Oak Point, Southport, where they had dinner, and returned to a ball in the evening at the Alameda.

Atlantic Lodge, of Portland, had a clam bake at Spurwink river in Scarborough, August 25th, which was attended by 150.

Lewiston Commandery went to Montreal, August 18th, 73 strong, and were entertained there by Richard Cœur de Lion Preceptory.

The Grand Priory was in session the 19th and they attended it. On the 20th there was a parade and reception by the mayor, with an excursion down the Lachine Rapids.

Books, Papers, etc.

—*The Cosmopolitan* magazine is edited by John Brisben Walker, and published at Irvington, N. Y., monthly. Although it is as elegantly illustrated as the four dollar magazines, and employs the ablest writers, it is only \$1 a year, or 10c. a number. The paper and presswork costs more than they charge for it, but by obtaining an enormous circulation they evidently count on making up their loss by the profit on the advertising. However that may be, the reader will get a charming magazine for the price of a newspaper.

—*The Open Court*, 324 Dearborn Street, Chicago, \$1.00, is a champion of free thought, and has the ablest writers among its contributors.

—*Maine Register, 1897-8*, received from Grenville M. Donham, publisher, 185 Middle Street, Portland. Price \$2. Still it grows, the addition this year being fifteen pages. It is two inches thick, and the type is as fine as is admissible. It gives a complete business directory of 20 cities, 423 towns, and nearly 100 plantations. We have been asked to give a list of towns alphabetically, with the lodges in them, in the Grand Lodge proceedings, but as it would take ten pages, and as three lists of lodges are given, viz, by numbers, by districts and alphabetically, we have thought another ten pages too much to ask: but this book gives the list of towns alphabetically, and names the lodge, chapter, council and commandery, when there is one, so it supplements our proceedings. The value of such a book to the state is great, and the labor necessary to keep it always up to date is immense. We have wondered sometimes if Mr. Donham did not wish he had been born to an easier job, and we are sure he earns all he gets from it.

—*Commission of Labor*. Carroll D. Wright sends us his 11th report for 1895-'96, all about work and wages of men, women and children. As the book is mostly tables we cannot summarize its contents, but we appreciate its value to those who are studying the labor question. Counting in Egypt, the labor question has been allowed to run along 6,000 years on the plan of the survival of the fittest, and now there are

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TEN YEARS IN A VOLUME.

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An illuminated title and index will soon be published for volume 3, and will be sent free to all who wish to bind it, if they will express the wish by postal or letter. But few applications have yet been made, and we are confident that many more sets have been saved for binding. We wish to know how many to print.

MAINE MASONIC TEXT BOOK.

By JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND, P. G. M.

In cloth, Library Edition, by mail, \$1.40
In leather tuck, for pocket, 1.50

Every craftsman studying the work needs the new edition for the changes in the monitory.

Every Master needs the new edition for the latest decisions regarding masonic law.

Brethren in other jurisdictions will find this invaluable, because it contains the best exposition of masonic law by the ablest masonic jurist in the world.

MASONIC FREE BED.—It is five years since the masons had a masonic free bed, yet applications for it continue to come. The same result can be obtained by the lodge paying \$1.25 a day for the sufferer. But the plea is made that the lodge is poor. Of course it is. Most lodges collect only enough dues to pay lodge expenses, and have no charity fund for emergencies. But masonic charity is personal. Let the brethren subscribe so much a week for the patient while in hospital. The Grand Lodge Charity Fund cannot be drawn upon because that is distributed among so large a number of applicants that the amount given each is small: and it is not available until next May. But personal contribution is a good masonic discipline and braces the character. Depending entirely on the lodge fund weakens the fiber, and the members get to be like children in bathing, they put in a toe, shriek and fall back. Plunge in, brethren, it is a wholesome tonic.

We are grieved to receive a circular from W. D. Harms, of Allentown, Penn., offering to supply us with counterfeit money: grieved, because as he directs to the Grand Lodge office, he evidently thinks a Grand Secretary is knave enough to pass it, or fool enough to be willing to try. These dealers in "green goods" are keen, and no doubt are good judges of human nature. Perhaps they find customers among classes whom we should not suspect. It would be interesting

to know where they draw the line. Doubtless they would refrain from sending to judges. Would they risk sending to other officers of the law, or to lawyers? Perhaps they would risk sending to Senators on account of the speculations in sugar stock, but avoid Representatives as too much inclined to make a fuss about irregularities.

We are told by the newspapers that these dealers do not really send any counterfeits, but simply swindle the fools who apply for them. It must be hard for the victims to find that they are not only proved fools, but also knaves in trying to obtain the fraudulent currency. No, Mr. Harms, we are not that kind of a fool.

The London Freemason of July 10th gave an account of the Jubilee Celebration at Beverley Lodge, No. 294, when a moose head was presented to the Earl of Londesborough by a representative of Liberty Lodge, Beverly, Mass. The two lodges had previously exchanged gifts as mementos of kinship.

"And mule-bells tinkling down the mountain paths of Spain."—[Whittier.]
Read it aloud and see how musical it is.

George E. Kimball of Pittsfield, enjoys the unique distinction of being the first man with only one hand to be made a mason in this state. Mr. Kimball was a candidate for the mysteries some time before he was given permission to become a member of the lodge. The matter was brought before the Grand Lodge and it was delayed consideration until influential friends of the candidate used their good offices: then he was granted leave to become a member providing his candidacy was acceptable.

We find the above in the daily papers. The matter has not been before the Grand Lodge. If it had been, the decision of 1861 would have governed it, viz: "A man, who has lost his right hand, cannot be made a mason."

The law has always been liberal in Maine, and when lodges have decided for themselves without consulting the Grand Lodge officers, they have sometimes admitted candidates badly maimed: but the decisions have always leaned towards strictness. In 1867, an additional decision said: "Nor a man, who has lost an arm or a leg, a hand or a foot, not even if the deficiency has been supplied by artificial means." The argument has been made that the ancient regulation was a necessity of operative Masonry, but that in Symbolic Masonry it should be only applied to moral infirmities if found that the candidate was able to maintain himself beyond risk of being a burden on the craft. Our Grand Lodge has decided otherwise and some Grand Lodges require physical perfection, so that even wearing spectacles will bar a candidate out if the law is not winked at.

The idea of influential friends persuading the Grand Lodge is absurd.

When a brother is "raised" in Virginia he has to declare himself a member of that

particular lodge or he stands as a non-affiliate and has to petition for affiliation. You can also be a member of two lodges if you wish. Funny law, that. But, then, "old Virginy" has a way of doing things to suit themselves. [Memphis Appeal.]

The fun depends upon the point of view. In England, and probably everywhere but in the United States, both practices have always existed, and here the first prevailed until within forty years.

The Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star for Indian Territory, Aug. 12th, elected Sallie M. Scott, of Muscogee, Gr. Matron, Carrie M. Perkins, of Guthrie, Oklahoma, Gr. Secretary, and declared the Grand Chapter of New York clandestine.

The Grand Chapter of New Brunswick on August 25th, elected John V. Ellis, of St. John, G. H. P., Robert Marshall, of St. John, Deputy G. H. P., J. A. Watson, of St. John, G. Sec. Robert Marshall was elected President of the Order of High Priesthood.

The Grand Lodge of New Brunswick on Aug. 25th, elected Thomas Walker, of St. John, G. M., and J. T. T. Hart, of St. John, G. Secretary.

Gen. John P. S. Gobin, Past Grand Master of the Templars, was elected Grand Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic at its last meeting in Buffalo, and a hundred thousand templars said good when they read it in the next morning's paper.

Bro. Webster Hazlewood was injured by falling when alighting from a train at South Lawrence, August 19th, but happily escaped serious injury.

The twelfth annual assembly of the Illinois Veterans will be held at 65 Sibley St., Oct. 27th, and we thank Mrs. John Corson Smith for an invitation.

The Grand Lodge of the Federal District of Mexico has established a lodge in Texas, which invasion will probably hurt its chances for recognition by American Grand Lodges.

The Northern Supreme Council met in Boston Sept. 21st. Henry L. Palmer, of Milwaukee, was re-elected Sovereign Grand Commander. Thomas W. Burr, of Bangor, and Treby Johnson, of Augusta, received the 33°, and also among the recipients we noticed Dana J. Flanders of the B. & M. R. R., Grand Secretaries Jacob H. Bromwell, of Cincinnati, and John A. Gerow, of Detroit, and correspondent Albert S. Waite, of Newport, N. H.

Past Grand Master Edwin B. Holmes has been elected Commander of De Molay Commandery of Boston.

The Lakeside Home, presented to the Children's Hospital of Toronto by Bro. J. Ross Robertson, has sheltered 250 children the past summer.

At the annual conclave of the Knights of Rome and the Red Cross of Constantine, held in Rochester, N. Y., August 24th, the order was thrown open to Master Masons. Heretofore only Royal Arch Masons were eligible.

It is proposed to hold a Fraternal Congress at Port Huron, Michigan, in October, 1898, at which all secret societies shall be represented. Masonry has already suffered by the endeavors to assimilate it to modern fraternal societies, and we sincerely hope no masonic bodies will join in this attempt.

The Grand Chapter of Ohio, at Springfield, Sept. 29th, elected Graff M. Acklin, Toledo, G. H. P., and Charles C. Kiefer, of Urbana, Gr. Sec.

Bro. Frederic Speed, of Vicksburg, wrote Oct. 1st that he was helping Bro. Paxton run the Howard Association. The yellow fever was eighteen miles off, but they had the friends at Edwards to look after.

Bro. J. L. Power, Grand Secretary of Mississippi, advises us that Jackson has so far escaped the fever, and a strict quarantine is kept against it. Jackson is extending aid to the suffering towns.

CHRISTMAS OBSERVANCE.—The sentiment for Christmas 1897 will be:

"To our most Eminent Grand Master W. La Rue Thomas. A faithful leader: may his days be long, and may the blessings of our Lord and Master follow him all the days of his life."

The response of the Grand Master will be, "To all true knights of the Temple: Health and Peace: 'God bless us every one.'"

The Grand Master especially requests that all letters and *especially all telegrams* to him on the occasion may be sent to his present address; American Building, Baltimore, Maryland.

Bro. Robert Freke Gould, the English historian, wishes us to mention that his "Military Lodges" will appear during the current year. This work will have a peculiar value, because Templary and perhaps the Capitular degrees came down to us through military lodges. It will include naval as well as army lodges, and to those who know Bro. Gould's work, it is needless to say that it will be thoroughly good work. The publishers will be Gale & Polden, Limited, 2 Amen Corner, Paternoster Row, London, E. C., and the price will be 5s.

A cheap and revised edition of his History of Freemasonry will be published in 1898. This has no connection with any American revision yet announced, and the American publishers of this will be duly advertised when it is ready, no arrangement having yet been made for this country.

PERU.—The Grand Master of Peru, Christian Dam, has abolished the Bible from the masonic altar and substituted the Constitution. He has also authorized the establish-

ment of lodges for the initiation of women. The Grand Representative of Maine, Francisco L. Crosby, protested in the name of the Grand Lodge of Maine, and withdrew. His action has been approved by Grand Master Locke.

Lodge No. 7, also protested and moved a re-consideration, but the Grand Lodge sustained the Grand Master.

Eastern Star.

The Grand Chapter for Maine held its fifth annual meeting at Auburn Sept. 9th. Eight new chapters had been organized during the year, making 45 in all, with a membership of 3,063, against 2,496 last year. Mrs. Nina V. A. Talbot, of Lewiston, was elected Grand Matron, and Mrs. Annette A. Hooper, of Biddeford, Grand Secretary.

Obituaries.

SIR WM. J. CLARKE, Baronet, Pro Grand Master of Victoria, died May 15th. He was Provincial Grand Master and then Grand Master when the Grand Lodge of Victoria was formed, retiring last year in order that Lord Brassey might be chosen, but taking the place of his deputy and discharging the duties of Grand Master. The present masonic hall in Melbourne was due to his exertions, and the craft were greatly indebted to him for his long and faithful service, which was fully appreciated. He was born in Tasmania in 1831. He was a man of wealth and very generous and charitable.

ANDREW BUNTON. The funeral of this distinguished brother was held at Manchester, N. H., June 21st, and was one of the largest masonic funerals ever seen in New Hampshire. Many came from away, banks were closed, and citizens filled the church. At the grave the committal service was performed by Trinity Commandery. Seventeen members of the Supreme Council 33° were present. Bro. Bunton was superintendent of the N. H. division of the American Express and the officers of that company attended in large numbers.

ALEXANDER THOMAS, Grand Commander of Indiana, 1878, Past Grand High Priest, President of High Priesthood and Past Gr. Master Grand Council, died at Terre Haute, July 26th, aged 68. He had been City Marshal and Mayor.

THOMAS NEWBY, Grand Commander of Indiana in 1868 and 1869, died in Santa Monica, California, June 16, aged 79. He was Grand High Priest in 1866 and 1867, and Grand Master of the Grand Council in 1866.

THOMAS WRIGHTSON, Editor and Publisher of the Cincinnati Masonic Review, died at his home in Newport, Kentucky, August 7th, aged 75.

DANIEL SPRY, the distinguished Grand Chancellor of the Great Priory of Canada, died of Bright's disease, at his residence in London, Ontario, August 13th, aged 62 yrs. 9 mos.

WILLIAM MORGAN BROOKS, Grand Commander of Tennessee in 1893, died at Searcy, Arkansas, Aug. 7th, aged 65.

JAMES B. WILDMAN, Grand Commander of Connecticut in 1893, died in Danbury, June 27th. He was stricken on the street and expired before he could be taken home.

WILLIAM B. MACKELLAR, manager of the old Johnson Type Foundry of Philadelphia, died June 25th, aged 53 years, 5 months. He was member of Philadelphia Consistory.

GEORGE S. JONES, Grand Scribe of the Grand Chapter of Indiana, died in Covington, August 26th, aged 56 yrs. 5 mos. 20 days. He was Grand Master of the Grand Council in 1888. He was a physician by profession.

WILLIAM H. STANSBERRY, Grand Master of the Grand Council of Missouri in 1887, died at Harrisonville, Aug. 23d, aged 70.

JAMES W. HUTCHINSON, Gr. High Priest of Illinois in 1893, died at Greenfield, Ill., Sept. 2d, aged 56. In the war he was an assistant engineer in the navy. Afterwards he was a mining engineer and finally a banker.

JACOB T. COLCORD, Grand Scribe of the Grand Chapter of Georgia, in 1896 and '97, died in Atlanta, Aug. 7th, in his 58th year. He was born in Brentwood, N. H., in 1839, and went South in 1859.

CALEB LAMB, Past Grand High Priest of Iowa, died at Newton Sept. 25, 1897, aged 75. He was a native of North Carolina, but served as Captain in the 37th Iowa regiment in the civil war. He was Grand High Priest in 1862.

HON. ALFRED A. PLUMMER, a prominent citizen of Port Townsend, Washington, was recently killed on a hunting trip, at the age of forty-one. His father was from Alfred, Maine. He was Grand Master in 1892.

JEROME R. GORIN, Grand Master of Illinois in 1867 and 1868, and Grand Commander in 1868, died at Decatur, Ill., August 31st, aged 80.

DR. CHARLES ALEXANDER died at Eau Claire, Wisconsin, Oct. 9, and was buried at New Sharon, Maine, October 14th, in the family tomb. He was a graduate of the New York University, and in 1862 received the appointment as surgeon in the 16th Maine, with which organization he served with distinction until honorably discharged shortly before the surrender of General Lee. He was severely wounded in the battle of Gettysburg. He removed after a brief residence in Malden, Mass., to Wisconsin, where in 1890 he was the Prohibition candidate for Governor of the state. He was one of the oldest members of Maine Lodge of Masons of Farmington, and at his death was 73 years of age.

We are indebted to Bro. James C. Ayer, of Cornish, for a complimentary ticket to the Ossipee Valley Union Agr. Ass'n Fair, Aug. 24-26th.

THE MISSING WORD.

Order, said the law court;
 Knowledge, said the school;
 Truth, said the wise man;
 Pleasure, said the fool;
 Love, said the maiden;
 Beauty, said the page;
 Freedom, said the dreamer;
 Home, said the sage;
 Fame, said the soldier;
 Equity, said the seer—

Spake my heart full sadly:
 "The answer is not here,"

Then within my bosom
 Softly this I heard:
 "Each heart holds the secret,
 Kindness is the word."

—[John Boyle O'Reilly.]

MAINE PROCEEDINGS.—A brother offers for sale, volumes 2 to 9 of the Grand Lodge, eight volumes bound in blue roan. Vols. 2 and 3 are originals. Vol. 1 can be supplied in reprint and all after 9 in originals, while Vol 3 cannot otherwise be had until it is reprinted. This is the only set of originals in the market. Any bids received will be sent to the owner.

The Grand Lodge of Maine desires to purchase a copy of its proceedings for 1857 to complete the file of the Grand Lodge of England. Will any brother having one for sale please communicate with the Grand Secretary, Stephen Berry, Portland, Me.

GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL.—The General Grand Council met at Baltimore, Oct. 11th, and Maine was represented by Grand Master Oliver A. Cobb, Past Gen. Grand Master Josiah H. Drummond, and Comp. Albro E. Chase, G. H. P. of the Grand Chapter.

The following officers were elected:

G. G. Master—Bradford Nichol, Nashville, Tennessee.

G. G. Dep. Master—William H. Mayo, St. Louis, Missouri.

G. G. P. Conductor—Seranus Bowen, Boston, Mass.

G. G. Treas.—Charles H. Heaton, Montpelier, Vermont.

G. G. Rec.—Henry W. Mordhurst, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

G. G. Capt. Guard—Andrew P. Swans-trom, St. Paul, Minn.

G. G. Conductor of Council—Henry C. Larrabee, Baltimore, Md.

General Grand Marshal—Graff M. Acklin, Toledo, Ohio.

G. G. Steward—J. T. Barron, Columbia, S. C.

The organization of the Grand Council of Colorado was, by a unanimous vote, declared invalid.

On motion of Comp. Drummond, a resolution was adopted declaring that the clauses in relation to fealty to the General Grand Council, lately required of new Grand Councils, were unnecessary, and should not hereafter be required, and that the Grand Councils which had heretofore included them in their constitutions were at liberty to repeal them.

The Boston Regalia Co. have just completed a fine silk Beauseant which is to be presented by the ladies of Beauseant Commandery of Malden, Mass., to St. John's Commandery of Bangor, Maine, this week, also a banner, which is to be presented by the Sir Knights of Beauseant Commandery.

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER.—The General Grand Chapter met in Baltimore, Oct. 12th, and was represented by Grand High Priest Albro E. Chase, by Past General G. H. P. Josiah H. Drummond, and by Comp. Oliver A. Cobb, Gr. Master of the Grand Council. The following officers were elected:

G. G. H. P.—Reuben C. Lemmon, Toledo, Ohio.

D. G. G. H. P.—James W. Taylor, Luthersville, Ga.

G. G. King—Arthur G. Pollard, Lowell, Mass.

G. G. Scribe—Joseph E. Dyas, Paris, Ill.

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

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

G. G. C. Host—Wm. C. Swain, Milwaukee, Wis.

G. G. P. Soj.—Nathan Kingsley, Austin, Minn.

G. G. R. A. C.—Bernard G. Witt, Henderson, Ky.

G. G. M. 3d V.—Geo. E. Corson, Washington, D. C.

G. G. M. 2d V.—Frederic W. Craig, Des Moines, Iowa.

G. G. M. 1st V.—

The address of Past Gen. Gr. H. P. Drummond was given in public to a large audience, and very well received.

The General Grand Chapter revoked the charter of Chapultapec Chapter in Mexico.

The hospitalities of Baltimore were beyond precedent, and the banquet to the General Grand Chapter has never been equalled.

The next triennial will be held at Cincinnati, in September, 1900.

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
King Solomon's, Waldoboro,	22
Ira Berry Chapter, Pittsfield,	22
Amity Lodge, Camden,	11

What lodge shall be next added?

On the 8th day of October more than 10,000 students were on the rolls as members of the first Freshman class of the Cosmopolitan University. The confusion into which the plans regarding the Cosmopolitan's educational work were thrown by the retirement of President Andrews, in order to meet the urgent wishes of his friends at Brown University, has been met by the acceptance of the Presidency by Dr. Eliphalet N. Potter. President Potter has been at the head of two great colleges for nearly twenty-five years, and brings to the work exceptional talents as an organizer and man of broad culture and common-sense ideas. He is already at Irvington engaged in organizing his staff of professors. The work of the University has been grouped under fifteen heads, covering the various branches of knowledge.

Each of these will be in charge of a professor. As soon as the task of selection is complete, the students will be assigned their work and the largest Freshman class in the history of the universities of the world will begin its studies.

The extraordinary dimensions of the class thus formed has opened the eyes of the public to the importance of the gap in educational facilities which the Cosmopolitan has undertaken to fill. Knowing that the appropriation made by the Cosmopolitan is a limited one and that the entries are far beyond the most sanguine expectations, embarrassing the work by their proportions, many professors and other prominent men have already made the offer of advice and assistance without pay.

NEW BRUNSWICK.—McLeod Moore Conclave of Red Cross of Rome and Constantine, at St. John, N. B., Oct. 18th, installed W. B. Wallace as Sovereign; Robert L. Smith, Viceroy; Andrew McNichol, Sen. Gen.; Frederick Sandall, Jun. Gen.; John V. Ellis, Prelate; Howard D. McLeod, Recorder.

Resolutions of condolence were passed on the death of Robert W. Crookshank, past Provincial Grand Master, who died October 17th, aged 75. He was a leading mason in the Province and a prominent citizen.

In No. 26 of the "Tatler," for Thursday, June 9, 1709, occurs this passage, in speaking of a class of men called "Pretty Fellows": "You see them accost each other with effeminate airs; they have signs and tokens like Freemasonry; they rail at womankind," etc. "I do not remember," wrote M. W. J. L. Lewis, Jr., P. G. M. of the Grand Lodge of New York, in 1860, "of ever having seen the passage quoted; but the entire paper from which it is selected bears indisputable evidence of the peculiar style of its writer, Sir Richard Steele, one of the wits of Queen Anne's time, a man about town, and a close observer of everything transpiring in London in his day. It was a favorite position of the anti-masonic writers thirty years ago, and it is asserted and believed at the present time, by those who agree with them in sentiment, that Freemasonry had its origin in 1717, eight years after the date of the paper in question, at the time of the revival of the Grand Lodge; that previous to that time its only existence was in the company of guild or operative masons, styled free because they were free men of London; and that the secret language of the craft was invented in 1717 by Payne, Desaguliers, Anderson and their associates." The quotation above is interesting, as proving that Freemasonry was known long before the revival of 1717, and that it was a recognized fact that they had signs and tokens.

The final consummation of the transfer of absolute title to the ground on which stands the Grand Lodge Temple in Houston from Holland Lodge, No. 1, to the Grand Lodge of Texas, took place on the 8th of September, by Holland Lodge, through its officers, delivering a deed duly signed, and receiving as first payment a check for \$2,500, leaving a balance of \$5,000 yet due, drawing 8 per cent. interest. And thus is forever removed a question that has been a bone of contention in the Grand Lodge of Texas for many years. *Requiescat in pace.*
 —[Texas Freemason.]

Scripture lesson already mentioned is advisable, except a short sentence at the reception of the candidate, and short sentences before and after that part of the service which is to him of the most solemn import.

"The second degree may be treated as the first, with the addition, already suggested, of a hymn or anthem in praise of music. It has been suggested that this degree, which is shorter and less striking than the others, might be made more interesting by the addition of musical numbers. We see no objection to this, provided that the numbers are not so long or so frequent as to give the whole degree the tone of a concert. The second degree was intended to be didactic and should remain so. We know no authority, however, for attempting to increase its didactic quality by inserting a lecture on the art of music, as is done in some lodges.

"The third degree has been the greatest temptation to the purveyors of music. We have seen programs of choral service in this degree, comprising from twelve to eighteen numbers. This is preposterous. Such pieces as have been indicated for the first degree may be used, but the strictest silence should be observed when the candidate is engaged in personal devotion. Three numbers, referring to evening, to morning and to death, have been so commonly introduced that we are not disposed to discountenance them; but they should be so short and so serious in tone as not to interfere either with the march of events or with the prevailing current of thought."

In conclusion, the committee disapprove of the use of printed programs of any private work of the lodge.—[*Drummond's Cor. 1897.*]

HUNGARY.—"One hundred and fifty years ago Masonry was in a fairly flourishing condition in Hungary. There were innumerable lodges, and the craft were everywhere accorded the freedom of meeting for work and the furthering of their worthy purposes. This state of affairs continued until the latter part of the eighteenth century, when the reigning dynasty of Hapsburg-Lothringen succeeded to the throne of Hungary by right of Maria Theresa, the daughter of Charles III. Queen Maria Theresa—and after her Joseph II—placed the masonic fraternity under the ban, and one after another the lodges gave up their charters, so that by the year 1800 not one was known to exist.

"So it continued until somewhere about 1863 or 1864. At that time the brethren began to assemble at private houses or in rooms fitted for their purpose in some of the hotels. In 1867 Hungary received the famous charter which is known as the 'Arrangement,' and which is inscribed in golden letters on the pages of her national history.

"Since the days of that famous 'Arrangement,' Masonry has grown apace in Hungary. It is under the ban in Austria, but its interests are advanced with zeal and love by the Hungarians, and many of its leading and most influential men are not only allied with the fraternity, but most earnest in its behalf.

"Somewhere about 1868 the Grand Lodge of France exercised jurisdiction over Hungarian masons, but in 1871, under the direction of General Turr, an intimate friend of Garibaldi, the Grand Orient Hungarian was organized, and these two were united under the latter name in 1890.

"There are forty-two subordinate lodges in Hungary. Fifteen of these are in Budapest, twelve are in Vienna, and the remainder are scattered throughout the country. Together they number about 2,200 brethren. Of course no work can be done in Vienna,

and the lodges there are nominally benevolent or social bodies, but when they initiate a candidate, they go across the Hungarian border to the city of Pozsony. The brethren meet weekly; their work is all done while opened on the first degree; they have no higher degrees, and they rest upon a Theistic basis and have in substance a ritual corresponding to our own."

[*Proc. Gr. Lodge Mass.*]

CAPTAIN KIDD.—The Lewiston Journal tells the following story, which may be true, as it is well vouched for. Generally speaking, pirates are not accepted in masonic lodges, but when Capt. Kidd was a captain in the Royal Navy, there would have been no reason for rejecting him:

"Capt. John Rogers was all his life a seaman. His father, Capt. John R. Rogers, at the time of the Revolutionary War was in the naval service of the colonies, as a privateer, the Continental Congress having issued to him letters of marque. At the time to which I refer he was master of a merchantman, and was bound, with his vessel and valuable cargo, from the West Indies to Boston.

"He had been out to sea but a day or two when a strange ship was seen approaching. Nearer and nearer it came, and suddenly an explosion was heard and a cannon shot struck the water just across his vessel's bows. This very broad hint was immediately followed by the hoisting of a black flag with its skull and cross-bones, revealing its startling, piratical character.

"Unprepared as he was to cope with the superior craft—with its powerful crew and armament—it was Hobson's choice for him to obey the imperative signal to heave to.

"In a short space of time a boat from the enemy arrived alongside, and a ferocious looking set of men, fifteen to twenty of them arrived with pistols and cutlasses, came, one after the other, up over the vessel's side and on to the deck. They were headed by their commander, who proved to be none other than the dread buccaneer, Capt. Kidd.

"My grandfather, as he faced the pirate chief, gave him the masonic sign. Kidd, however, made no tangible recognition of it, but turning to his men, exclaimed, in an authoritative tone and manner:

"'Don't you trouble a single thing here till I see what this fellow has got!'

"He then told grandfather to go with him down into the cabin. The two went down there together. What transpired between them in that important interview grandfather would never tell, except that Kidd revealed that he too, was a mason. In about ten minutes the two reappeared on deck. Then the pirate again addressed his followers, saying:

"'These poor devils have nothing worth taking, so you will let them and everything else here entirely alone. Back to the boat, men, at once, and we'll be off!'

"The feelings of my grandfather and his terror-stricken officers and men over their unexpected deliverance from death may well be imagined.

"Capt. Kidd and his fellow pirates soon regained their ship, and Grandfather Rogers proceeded on his way without further adventure. That he blessed his lucky stars for having joined the masonic order, goes without saying."

COSTUMING FELLOW CRAFT.—"We find that, as a general thing, the costuming destroys that beautiful and impressive simplicity, which has been not only the peculiar characteristic, but also the strength of masonic work. It places in the background

the elevating lessons of the ritual, and gives the prominent place, with its lasting impressions, to what is usually undignified and often burlesque."

"In conclusion we would suggest that in an institution whose precepts are transmitted as are ours, it should always be a cardinal principle to endeavor to inculcate the moral precepts, rather than to exhibit our dramatic abilities—to appeal to the higher nature, rather than to the love for the spectacular—to cultivate the substantial, rather than the superficial, elements and possibilities of our work. And, finally, we should strive to cultivate that impressive and intelligent simplicity, which is always the most appropriate vesture for such truths as our ritual is designed to teach.

"We therefore recommend the adoption by this Grand Lodge of the recommendation made by the Grand Master on this subject: 'That the Grand Lodge order the discontinuance in this jurisdiction of the costuming of the Fellow Crafts.'"

[*Proc. Gr. Lodge Mass.*]

Drummond's Lodge Statistics, 1897.

Grand Lodges.	Members.	Raised.	Died.
Alabama,.....	11,113	627	265
Arizona,.....	569	49	4
Arkansas,.....	13,264	544	257
British Columbia, ..	1,272	111	10
California,.....	18,208	1,192	342
Canada,.....	23,351	1,186	255
Colorado,.....	7,257	392	76
Connecticut,.....	16,813	693	281
Delaware,.....	2,077	97	27
Dist. of Columbia, ..	5,118	304	86
Florida,.....	4,393	268	*90
Georgia,.....	17,317	975	....
Idaho,.....	1,152	69	21
Illinois,.....	52,509	3,346	736
Indiana,.....	28,430	1,815	450
Indian Territory,....	2,908	323	44
Iowa,.....	26,890	1,506	319
Kansas,.....	19,595	995	225
Kentucky,.....	18,367	1,406	302
Louisiana,.....	5,363	283	126
Maine,.....	22,085	721	339
Manitoba,.....	2,413	167	13
Maryland,.....	7,310	204	28
Massachusetts,....	37,460	2,393	536
Michigan,.....	38,668	1,947	548
Minnesota,.....	15,428	761	183
Mississippi,.....	9,110	514	203
Missouri,.....	30,606	1,325	453
Montana,.....	2,626	194	36
Nebraska,.....	11,836	588	113
Nevada,.....	948	36	17
New Brunswick,....	1,774	70	24
New Hampshire,....	8,963	....	168
New Jersey,.....	16,094	904	240
New Mexico,.....	894	52	11
New York,.....	90,874	5,726	1,522
North Carolina,....	10,839	580	148
North Dakota,.....	2,535	233	15
Nova Scotia,.....	3,351	216	43
Ohio,.....	40,839	2,507	645
Oklahoma, ..	1,085	101	64
Oregon,.....	4,874	267	81
Pennsylvania,.....	49,589	2,487	834
P. E. Island,.....	515	21	3
Quebec,.....	3,519	208	41
Rhode Island,.....	4,890	315	59
South Carolina,....	5,725	318	112
South Dakota,.....	4,243	262	32
Tennessee,.....	17,682	755	354
Texas,.....	30,567	1,491	499
Utah,.....	763	49	9
Vermont,.....	9,694	430	137
Virginia,.....	12,652	....	222
Washington,.....	4,991	239	64
West Virginia,....	5,867	459	74
Wisconsin,.....	16,408	936	256
Wyoming,.....	1,023	64	15
Total, ..	804,706	43,721	12,062

thinkers who want to *know*. The only way they can know is to tabulate statistics, and this is what Col. Wright is doing. How blindly we look at the results, without appreciating causes, is shown by the complaint which comes from England that Coventry is being ruined by American cheap work. That it was first driven out of the manufacture of ribbons, then out of watchmaking, and now out of making bicycles, because it persists in doing good, honest handwork, while others make inferior goods, and undersell them. Now we know that American watches are not inferior, and we think the bicycles are not.

—*The July Bulletin*, No. 11, has a study of the censuses of '70, '80 and '90, regarding working people; an article on public baths in Europe; labor statistics of Maine and Indiana; and other valuable matter.

—*Massachusetts Bureau of Statistics of Labor*, annual report for 1896, and annual statistics manufacture for same year received from Horace G. Wadlin, Chief.

—*United States Department of Labor*, Bulletin No. 12, received from Carroll D. Wright, Commissioner. Factory inspection in the U. S., is the leading article.

EASTERN STAR.—Carrie M. Perkins, Grand Secretary of the Eastern Star in Oklahoma, in her very bright report on correspondence in reviewing New York, says:

"The Grand Lecturer makes an interesting report, but I wish to go on record as objecting to this 'form for obligating visiting Master Masons.' Every time I see anything like that I just say 'rats.' I know its slang and everything that's bad, but no other word will exactly express what I feel. Do they ever return your courtesy by inviting you to see their Third degree conferred, or their Royal Arch, or the Order of the Temple? For one, I would like very much to see those three degrees conferred. Yes, I will even be the candidate, if they will let me, but there is no danger of their ever giving me that chance. Then why should we invite them to see our degrees conferred? They can join us if they choose, but they will not let us join them. Let them pay their five dollars and come in as you and I did."

She quotes from the Texas Grand Matron, the following:

"Man is a very peculiar creature. As a rule, when he thinks we want him to join our order, nothing on earth will get him in except perhaps a persistent wife or a coaxing sweetheart. But just let him find out that we do not really care whether he comes in or not and he will suddenly discover that without his presence and his advice we are absolutely going to ruin and you could not keep him out with a hickory club."

Finally, she prophesies thus:

"You ask, 'Is the O. E. S. a part of the A. F. & A. M. in the Indian Territory?' You bet we are, and we are proud of it. Every Past Grand Master and the present Grand Master are members of our order, and all take a deep interest in our welfare, and that's why we say stick close to masonic law in all our decisions. The Royal Arch and Templar degrees were originally no part of Masonry, yet they are to-day, and that's what we are working for, and we will be recognized by them yet, and it will not be

but a few years, until even 'Old Pennsylvania' will fall in line—yes, and even tumble over each other to get a seat on the band wagon."

Berry's Templar Statistics, 1897.

Grand Commanderies.	Subordinates.	Members.	Knights.
Alabama, May 13, 1896,	10	382	23
Arizona, Nov. 11, 1896,	3	122	11
Arkansas, April 20, 1897,	13	492	23
California, April 22, 1897,	36	3,033	166
Colorado, June 1, 1897,	25	1,667	77
Connecticut, Mar. 16, 1897,	11	2,363	131
Dist. of Col., May 10, 1897,	5	1,534	49
Florida,	..	.....	.....
Georgia, May 12, 1897,	10	719	62
Illinois, Oct. 27, 1896,	66	9,518	570
Indiana, April 21, 1897,	38	3,526	162
Indian Terr'y, Aug. 10, '96,	3	123	10
Iowa, July 14, 1896,	56	4,343	302
Kansas, May 11, 1897,	46	3,234	166
Kentucky, May 19, 1897,	25	2,020	182
Louisiana, Feb. 12, 1897,	4	320	9
Maine, May 6, 1897,	19	3,153	174
Maryland, Nov. 24, 1896,	12	1,132	75
Mass. & R. I., Oct. 29, 1896,	46	11,789	628
Michigan, May 18, 1897,	45	5,523	225
Minnesota, June 24, 1897,	25	2,448	123
Mississippi, Feb. 18, 1896,	12	441	34
Missouri, April 20, 1897,	56	4,237	200
Montana, Sept. 14, 1896,	8	348	45
Nebraska, April 29, 1897,	23	1,769	58
N. Hamp., Sept. 29, 1896,	11	2,060	113
New Jersey, May 11, 1897,	16	1,779	101
New York, Sept. 8, 1896,	58	11,037	780
N. Carolina, May 13, 1896,	11	347	20
No. Dakota, July 1, 1897,	7	425	20
Ohio, Oct. 14, 1896,	55	8,071	446
Oklahoma,	..	.....	.....
Oregon, Oct. 8, 1896,	6	415	20
Penn., May 26, 1896,	73	11,218	664
So. Dakota, June 11, 1897,	11	756	48
Tennessee, May 12, 1897,	16	1,091	61
Texas, April 21, 1897,	31	2,115	130
Vermont, June 8, 1897,	11	1,499	99
Virginia, Nov. 26, 1896,	20	1,481	107
Washington, June 2, 1897,	10	626	25
W. Virginia, May 12, 1897,	12	951	76
Wisconsin, Oct. 13, 1896,	27	2,902	159
Wyoming, May 12, 1897,	7	319	50
Grand En. sub's,	27	1,562	....
Total, in U. S., 1897,	1,006	112,891	6,424
Canada, Sept. 16, 1896,	36	1,548	216
Eng. & Wales, May, 1897,	117	2,366	....
Ireland, 1897,	43	968	....
Scotland, 1897,	21	525	....
Victoria, Aus., 1895,	4	76	....
Total in world, 1897,	1,227	118,374	....

Past Master's Degree.

H. B. GRANT.

The so-called degree of Past Master is repudiated by the following Grand Lodges which do not recognize it as a part of the installing ceremonies of the Master elect. Why should they? Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indian Territory, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, New Mexico, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Utah, Wyoming. It is permissible in Arkansas when installing officers see fit.

England and Pennsylvania don't recognize the Past Master's degree, but have a ceremony of passing the chair. Canada has ceremony about equivalent to England, as I take it.

Delaware says it is "customary."

Florida requires it "as soon after election

as convenient," but the want of it does not bar installation.

Maine requires it as part of installation, but if it can not be given then the Master may act and receive it later. It is required and it isn't.

Mississippi, not deemed essential, but when convenient should be performed.

New Hampshire, included in the manual, but not in Constitution, nor is it enforced.

Tennessee, required but seldom complied with.

Washington, not necessary at the time, but is to make the Master (or Past Master) a permanent member of Grand Lodge.

Some of the prominent brethren in some of the jurisdictions where it is required pronounce the Past Master's degree an absurdity.—[*Masonic Home Journal*.]

MUSIC.—The following judicious report on the use of music was adopted by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts:

"We agree that music adds to the impressiveness of the masonic ceremonial, and we are quite aware that there has been too great license in its employment. It has been introduced at points where it detracts from, rather than adds to, the desired effect of the ritual, and it has been introduced so frequently and at such great length as to present itself as the leading feature of the ceremony instead of a mere accessory.

"That a masonic degree should never be turned into a concert is a proposition too obvious to need stating."

Want of time; the interpolation into the ritual of incongruous words; the indifference of many brethren to music, to the extent of its being a positive discomfort to them: and its tendency to provoke criticism are among the reasons urged why it must be so used as not to be abused.

As to instrumental music, the committee say:

"First of all, the organ must never be used as a means of mere personal display of the technical skill of the Organist. His business is to illustrate the proceedings of the lodge, not to illustrate himself. Then he must remember that the occasion he is illustrating is a solemn occasion, not a festive one. He must not accompany a procession as if he were accompanying a picnic."

"He should present that which has been stamped with the approval of the most competent judges, not the flimsy product of popular tune-makers. Then he should be chary of improvising."

"Here he must be careful not to overcrowd the recitation. The Organist who covers or blurs the words of the ritual with his instrument deserves speedy discipline for unmasonic conduct."

Then as to vocal music:

"The opening and closing hymn are, of course, in order in all the degrees; and if a practiced choir is available an anthem or a motet may be substituted for the hymn. We may say, in general, that these are the only places in the degrees where anything of the length of the ordinary anthem or motet should appear, except that the Scripture lesson of each degree might be sung as an anthem, where a competent choir is at hand, instead of being read; and except also that a piece of some importance might be sung in the second degree in illustration of the mention of music as a liberal art. In other places shorter pieces should be used."

"In the first degree, nothing beside the

Our Thanks.

CONNECTICUT.—Masonic Charity Foundation, 7th annual report from John H. Barlow, Hartford, Sec. 24 beneficiaries maintained at expense of \$4,237.61.

GEORGIA.—Grand Chapter, April 29, 1897, from Wm. A. Wolihin, Macon, Gr. Sec. Chas. Wessolowsky, Albany, G. H. P. 76 chapters, 3,044 members, 273 exalted.

ILLINOIS.—Council of Deliberation from Gil. W. Barnard, Gr. Sec. John C. Smith, Dep. and Com.-in Chief, both of Chicago.

KANSAS.—Grand Commandery, May 4, 1897, from A. M. Callahan, Topeka, Gr. Rec. Will C. Chaffee, Topeka, Gr. Com. 46 commanderies, 3,234 members, 166 knighted.

KENTUCKY.—Grand Commandery, May 19, 1897, from L. D. Croninger, Covington, Gr. Rec. Eugene A. Robinson, Maysville, Gr. Com. 25 commanderies, 2,020 members, 182 knighted.

MANITOBA.—Gr. Lodge, June 9, 1897, from Wm. G. Scott, Winnipeg, Gr. Sec. Thomas Robinson, Winnipeg, Gr. M. 67 lodges, 2,641 members, 230 initiates.

MASSACHUSETTS.—Gr. Lodge, January to March, 1897, from Sereno D. Nickerson, Boston, Gr. Sec.

MICHIGAN.—Council of Deliberation, May 17, 1897, from Edgar M. Sharp, Bay City, Gr. Sec. Hugh McCurdy, Corinna, Com.-in-Chief. A large number of portraits are published.

MONTANA.—Gr. Commandery, Sept. 13, 1897, from Edward D. Neill, Helena, Gr. Recorder. Wm. E. Chamberlain, Great Falls, G. Com. 8 commanderies, 366 members, 31 knighted.

NORTH DAKOTA.—Grand Lodge, June 8, 1897, from Frank J. Thompson, Fargo, G. Sec. Robert M. Carothers, Grand Forks, G. M. 48 lodges, 2,702 members, 180 initiates.

Grand Chapter, June 10, 1897, from Frank J. Thompson, Fargo, G. Sec. David E. Morgan, Devil's Lake, G. H. P. 14 chapters, 813 members, 40 exalted.

Gr. Commandery, July 1, 1897, from Frank J. Thompson, Fargo, Gr. Rec. John D. Black, Valley City, G. Com. 7 commanderies, 426 members, 21 knighted.

NOVA SCOTIA.—Gr. Chapter, June 8, 1897, from D. H. Campbell, Halifax, Gr. Sec. Donald Darragh, Kensington, P. E. I., G. H. P. 14 chapters, 728 members, 51 exaltations.

OKLAHOMA.—Grand Chapter of Eastern Star, Aug. 12, 1897, from Carrie M. Perkins, Guthrie, Gr. Sec. Sallie M. Scott (no address) Gr. Matron. 49 chapters, 1,476 members.

SOUTH DAKOTA.—Gr. Lodge, June 8, 1897, from Geo. A. Pettigrew, Flandreau, Gr. Sec. Albert W. Coe, Deadwood, G. M. 128 lodges, 210 initiates.

Gr. Chapter, June 10, 1897, from Geo. A. Pettigrew, Flandreau, G. Sec. Samuel J. Coyne, Aberdeen, G. H. P. 35 chapters, 70 exaltations.

Gr. Commandery, June 11, 1897, from Geo. A. Pettigrew, Flandreau, G. Rec. Joseph T. Morrow, Mitchell, Gr. Com. 11 commanderies, 756 members, 48 knighted.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.—Grand Lodge 24 June, 1897, from Neil Mackelvie, Summerside, Gr. Sec. Leonard Morris, Summerside, Gr. M. 12 lodges, 520 members, 18 initiates.

WASHINGTON.—Gr. Lodge, June 8, 1897, from Thomas M. Reed, Olympia, Gr. Sec. Archibald W. Frater, Snohomish Gr. M. 101 lodges, 4,649 members, 189 initiates.

Gr. Chapter, June 4, 1897, from Yancey C. Blalock, Walla Walla, Gr. Sec. Carmi Dibble, New Whatcom, G. H. P. 18 chapters, 1,131 members, 50 exaltations.

Gr. Commandery, June 2, 1897, from Yancey C. Blalock, Walla Walla, Gr. Rec. Jacob Weatherwax, Aberdeen, Gr. Com. 10 commanderies, 626 members, 25 knighted.

PREMIUMS.—Any brother who will procure subscribers for us, remitting not less than \$1 at a time, may retain one-fourth of the money for his services. Those who wish to assist us, without caring for the premium, can gratify some indigent brother by sending him a paper free. It is better to take subscriptions for two years.

DIED.

BARLOW DYER, in San Francisco, June 3, aged 76. A native of Maine.

CAPT. M. J. LITTLE, in North Berkeley, Cal., June 16, aged 76 y. 5 m. A native of Maine.

EUGENE F. SANGER, in Bangor, June 24, aged 68. A leading physician, and a member of Waterville Lodge, No. 34, at Waterville.

WILLIAM H. D. JOYCE, in Portland, Oregon, July 25, aged 70. He was initiated in Ancient Landmark Lodge, Aug. 4, 1858, and admitted Oct. 1, 1862, to affiliate in Portland, Oregon, where he carried on the upholstery business until his death. For his second wife he married Caroline, the eldest daughter of Ira Berry, Senior, late Grand Secretary of Maine.

C. R. McFADDEN, in Waterville, August 7th, aged 77. He had been High Sheriff, Past Master, Mayor, and was a Royal Arch Mason.

JAMES B. PERCY, at Phippsburg, August 9, aged 70 y. 10 m. A member of Solar Lodge of Bath.

CHARLES O. LORIO, in Deering, August 14, aged 62. He traveled for A. F. Cox & Son, of Portland, and was a member of Temple Lodge of Winthrop.

JOHN P. BILLINGS, in Clinton, Aug. 11, aged 68 y. 7 m. 26 d. He was a Past Master of Sebasticook Lodge. He dropped dead at the Railway Station. He was the largest manufacturer of home-made axe-handles in New England.

CHARLES A. PRICE, in Augusta, Aug. 21, aged 31. He was Master of Bethlehem Lodge, and a member of Trinity Commandery.

WALTER R. JOHNSON, in Brooksville, Aug. 25, aged 74 y. 1 m. He was a well-known dentist in Portland, but for several years had been paralyzed. He was a member of Portland Lodge.

WALTER S. HAMLIN, in Portland, Aug. 29, aged 47 y. 10 m. 9 d. A member of Ancient Landmark Lodge.

CHARLES H. DOW, in Washington, Aug. 27, aged 57. He was Sergeant in the 5th Maine, and a member of Standish Lodge.

ALEXANDER ROBERTSON, at Harris Hill, Poland, Sept. 2, aged 72. A member of Tyrian Lodge, which attended his funeral, Sept. 4th.

SARAH C. BARROWS, in Portland, Sept. 10, aged 70 y. 7 m. 23 d. Widow of Worthy C. Barrows, formerly of Ancient Landmark Lodge.

ISAAC G. CURTIS, in Somerville, Mass., Sept. 12, very suddenly of heart disease, aged 67. For many years he had been mail agent between Boston and Bangor. He was born in Lewiston, and was a Past Master of Ashlar Lodge. We remember meeting him first in Grand Lodge in 1859, when he volunteered as candidate for an exemplification of the work. He was then a proxy from Tyrian Lodge, as he had been the previous year. So we have considered him a veteran and faithful mason. He left a widow and two sons.

CHARLES H. CHICK, at Boothbay Harbor, Sept. 15, aged 44. He was a resident of Augusta and a member of Augusta Lodge.

LOUIS A. FARRAR, in North Turner, Sept. 17, aged 68 y. 6 m. He was a prominent citizen, and was a Past Master of Oriental Star Lodge, of Livermore Falls, of which he had been a member 42 years.

DANIEL M. GARDNER, in Calais, October 5, aged 64. A member of St. Croix Lodge. He was the proprietor of the Border City Hotel. He left a widow and six children.

FREDERICK F. HALE, in Boston, at the Mass. General Hospital, Oct. 1, aged 56. He formerly belonged to several masonic bodies in Portland.

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