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## LIGHTS OF THE SAND-MAN'S TOWN.

Sweet bud from gardens of babyland,  
O girlie with eyes so blue,  
Our slumber bout, by the fairies manned,  
Steals off to the isle of Boo!  
The cricket is singing his bed-time song,  
As stars of the night look down,  
And we shall see, ere the way be long,  
The light of the sand-man's town.

The brownie folk have a kiss, I ween,  
For each little shining tear;  
They dance till morning upon the green,  
And all for my girlie dear.  
The sound of their fiddles comes on the air,  
O'er waters so dark and deep,  
And tiniest ships from everywhere  
Drop down the river of sleep.

The lady moon peeps out of the sky,  
As gently the eyelids fall;  
The owlets seek, with a startled cry,  
Their home near the ivied wall!  
The lights of Boo give a welcome sweet,  
As the south wind stirs the palms,  
And girlie dreams where the rivers meet,  
At rest in the sand-man's arms.

—[Robert Rexdale.]

## MASONRY IN MAINE.

### Lodge Elections.

Sebasticoak, 146, Clinton. George A Bingham, m; Albert W Kimball, sw; Charles W Wheeler, jw; Ruel W Gerald, sec Installed Oct. 11th, by John H. McGorrill, J. G. Warden.

St. Paul's, 82, Rockport. Rob't N Millett, m; Joseph H Richards, sw; Chas J Gregory, jw; Everett E Fales, sec.

Pine Tree, 172, Mattawamkeag. Virgil W Hobbs, m; Wm H Bither, sw; Walter E Haynes, jw; George W Smith, sec.

Temple, 25, Winthrop. Horace A Keyes, m; Harry W Stevens, sw; J Ewan McIlroy, jw; Herbert E Foster, sec.

Davis, 191, Strong. Oscar Sweet, m; Frank O Welch, sw; Winthrop L Guild, jw; George R Winslow, sec.

Keystone, 80, Solon. Leander F McIntire, m; William W Jackman, sw; Fred Magoon, jw; Perry S Longley, sec.

Composite, 168, La Grange. Perley E Speed, m; Chauncey D Doble, sw; Fred D Sherrard, jw; Andrew H Dyer, sec.

Carrabassett, 161, Canaan. Alpheus Nason, m; George H Ames, sw; Horace A Nason, jw; Harry B Harris, sec.

Casco, 36, Yarmouth. Edward M White, m; Louis P Pomeroy, sw; Mads J Madson, jw; Herbert M Moore, sec.

By request of Bro. Monroe Stoddard, the retiring Secretary, Past Master C. G. Woodman installed the Secretary elect.

Corinthian, 95, Hartland. Lynne H Blanchard, m; E G Varney, sw; C P Barnes, jw; W E Dearborn, sec.

Quantabacook, 129, Searsmont. Loxley T Ness, W. Searsmont, m; Lucian H Thomas, sw; James Fuller, jw; Loima C Poor, sec.

Neguemkeag, 166, Vassalboro. Harold E Cook, m; George S Perkins, sw; James S Emery, jw; Charles A Stilson, sec.

Arion, 162, Goodwin's Mills. Ivory W Murphy, West Kennebunk, m; William M Staples, Alewife, sw; Elmer N Littlefield, jw; J Burton Roberts, Dayton, sec.

Cumberland, 12, New Gloucester. Frank W Winter, Upper Gloucester, m; Newell P Haskell, Portland, sw; Cyrus S Witham, E Raymond, jw; Geo H Goding, Lewiston Junction, sec.

Maine, 20, Farmington. Elvarus A Russell, m; Newell R Knowlton, sw; J Clinton Metcalf, jw; Geo B Cragin, sec.

Central, 45, China. George L Gilman, m; Chas W Abbott, sw; Arthur B Skillin, jw; Willis W Washburn, sec.

Hiram, 180, South Portland. Frank I Brown, m; Wm E St John, sw; Fred G Hamilton, jw; Geo H Weeks, Jr., Knightville, sec.

Warren Phillips, 186, Cumberland Mills. King S Raymond, m; Henry S Cobb, sw; Fred Cole, jw; Almon N Waterhouse, sec.

Plymouth, 75, Plymouth. Chas T Harris, m; Ruel W Porter, sw; Frank E Clark, jw; W H Condon, sec.

Bethel, 97, Bethel. Herbert C Rowe, m; W Bowler, sw; E H Young, jw; Davis G Lovejoy, sec.

Portland, 1, Portland. Charles C Berry, m; George H Allan, sw; Warren W Cole, jw; George F Gould, sec.

Whitney, 167, Canton. Asia F Hayford, m; John N Foye, sw; Arthur J Foster, jw; Herbert J DeShon, sec.

Pleasant River, 163, Brownville. D W Hayes, m; Walter G Sherburne, sw; A J Lay, jw; Geo W McClain, Henderson, sec.

Franklin, 123, New Sharon. Benjamin F Makepeace, m; Manley H Blaisdell, sw; John M Rowe, jw; James H Howes, sec.

Mt Kineo, 109, Guilford. Jos F Davidson, m; C W Ray, sw; R H Marsh, jw; David Pearson, sec.

Seaside, 144, Boothbay Harbor. Dennis S Wylie, m; T L Montgomery, sw; Merrill A Perkins, jw; Henry S Perkins, sec.

Greenleaf, 117, Cornish. Daniel G Chaplin, m; Charles H Badgley, sw; L Murray Watson, jw; George H Parker, sec.

Solar, 14, Bath. Walter S Glidden, m; John Scott, sw; N Gratz Jackson, jw; Albert L Strout, sec.

Membership 247; dues all collected but \$14; average attendance for year 36.

Ancient Landmark, 17, Portland. Winslow E Howell, m; Chas F Tobie, sw; Frank E Allen, jw; John S Russell, sec.

Adoniram, 27, Limington. J F Moulton, m; James F Pillsbury, sw; Benj Small, jw; Hardy H McKenney, sec.

Mt Tir'em, 132, Waterford. Geo H Rice, m; Clarence H Pride, sw; W C Goodwin, jw; Isaac F Jewett, sec.

Anchor, 158, So Bristol. Eliphalet P Gamage, m; Everett W Gamage, sw; Allen G Foster, jw; Walter H McFarland, sec.

Bay View, 196, East Boothbay. Frank Seavey, m; George W Gatchel, sw; Harvey R Barlow, jw; C Tyler Hodgdon, sec.

Messalonskee, 113, Oakland. Frank E Burrill, m; J Edward Harris, sw; Lester M Andrews, jw; Orestes E Crowell, sec.

Dunlap, 47, Biddeford. James H Bradbury, m; James E Etchells, sw; Fred P Abbott, jw; Nahum S Drown, sec.

Officers installed by D D G M E. M. Staples, Past Master N. S. Drown, Marshal.

Hancock, 4, Castine. William A Walker, m; James F Hooper, sw; Joel W Reynolds, jw; Charles H Hooper, sec.

Penobscot, 39, Dexter. A R Levensaler, m; William E Robinson, sw; F M Howard, jw; Charles S Hutchinson, sec.

Webster, 164, Sabattus. Fred A Richardson, m; William H Wright, sw; John F Hirst, jw; Judson Bangs, sec.

Doric, 149, Monson. Edward P Blanchard, m; William A Mills, sw; Roy M Hecock, jw; Edwin R Haynes, sec.

Alna, 43, Damariscotta. Geo H Larrabee, m; Rupert B Mathews, sw; Wilbur G Knowlton, jw; Edward E Philbrook, sec.

Amity, 6, Camden. Edward D Harrington, m; Samuel W Coombs, sw; L M Chandler, jw; H L Maker, sec.

Atlantic, 81, Portland. Fred H Cobb, m; Elihu H Rice, sw; Frank W York, jw; D W Fox, sec.

James E Leighton, the retiring Master, was presented with a gold jewel.

Temple, 86, Westbrook. Abner L Hawkes, m; Frank D Robinson, sw; Alfred D Winslow, jw; Oliver A Cobb, sec.

Mystic, 65, Hampden. Sumner D Greeley, m; C Fremont Cowan, sw; John E Emerson, jw; William H Tribou, sec.

Tremont, 77, Southwest Harbor. George Harman, m; Samuel S Moore, sw; Eben F Richardson, jw; Wm R Keene, Manset, sec.

Mosaic, 52, Foxcroft. Ralph W Hughes, m; Willard W Blethen, sw; Fred G Warren, jw; James T Roberts, Dover, sec.

York, 22, Kennebunk. William Titcomb, m; Charles R Littlefield, sw; George G H Randall, jw; Geo A Gilpatrick, sec.

Caribou, 178, Caribou. A J Taylor, m; D L Teague, sw; Howard Dow, jw; Arthur A Garden, sec.

Installed Jan. 3d by D. D. G. M. Cyrus W. Hendrix, after which followed an initiation and a supper at Hotel Burleigh.

Mount Bigelow, 202, Flagstaff. Grant



Fuller, m; Charles L Rogers, sw; Benj E Savage, jw; Ray Viles, sec.

The first meeting in the new hall was held Dec. 8th.

Kenduskeag, 137, Kenduskeag. Hosea B Emery, m; Albert L Spratt, sw; Frank B Thurston, jw; John H Everett, sec.

Saco, 9, Saco. Philip C Tapley, m; Winfield Andrews, sw; Geo H Dyer, jw; Abram T Lord, sec.

Pownal, 119, Stockton. Samuel H West, m; Ernest A Partridge, sw; Frank E West, jw; Albert M Ames, sec.

Aroostook, 197, Blaine. Wm A Beals, m; Chas G Briggs, sw; Nelson E Dorrity, jw; John M Ramsey, sec.

#### Chapter Elections.

Dunlap, 12, China. James W Brown, hp; James O Fish, k; Lot J Randall, sc; Willis W Washburn, sec.

Androscoggin, 34, Livermore Falls. Howard A Wells, hp; Ernest A Goding, k; C H Thurston, sc; Fred Raymond, sec.

Teconnet, 52, Waterville. Henry C Gould, hp; Henry L Corson, k; Wm C Hawkes, sc; Anson O Libby, sec.

Greenleaf, 13, Portland. Silas B Adams, hp; Frank B Fish, k; LeRoy F Tobie, sc; Francis E Chase, sec.

A past high priest's jewel was presented to Thomas E. McDonald, the retiring H. P.

Pentecost, 55, Boothbay Harbor. T L Montgomery, hp; J Edward Knight, k; Charles J Marr, sc; Henry S Perkins, sec.

Drummond, 27, Oakland. Lester M Andrews, hp; Geo F Allen, k; Cyprien Roy, sc; Orestes E Crowell, sec.

E B French, 42, Damariscotta. Charles W Stetson, hp; W H Hewey, k; Edward E Philbrook, sc; George H Weeks, sec.

Oriental, 30, Bridgton. Fred Wilby, hp; John L Meserve, k; David C Saunders, sc; Millard M Caswell, sec.

Oxford, 29, Norway. Herman L Bartlett, hp; Albert W Walker, South Paris, k; F N Barker, sc; George E Tubbs, sec.

Mt Vernon, 1, Portland. George H Babb, hp; Abner W Lowell, k; Charles F Porter, sc; John S Russell, sec.

Piscataquis, 21, Foxcroft. George W McClain, hp; Osgood P Martin, k; Fred E Butterfield, sc; Jas T Roberts, Dover, sec.

Somerset, 15, Skowhegan. John C Griffin, hp; Harry A Dinsmore, k; Francis H Wing, sc; C Milton Lambert, sec.

Cumberland, 35, Yarmouth. Alvinza D Doble, hp; Edwin M White, k; Perez S Burr, sc; A H Humphrey, sec.

#### Council Elections.

Portland, 2, Portland. Le Roy F Tobie, tm; Fred S Hamilton, dm; Convers E Leach, pcw; Geo W Pennell, rec.

Officers installed by P. G. M. Marquis F. King.

#### Commandery Elections.

Portland, 2, Portland. Fred E Sanborn, com; Abner W Lowell, gen; Wilbur A Paten, c gen; John S Russell, rec.

Pilgrim, 19, Farmington. Levi G Brown, com; Harry B Austin, gen; Edw'd C Merrill, c gen; Geo B Cragin, rec.

St Omer, 12, Waterville. Chas F Johnson, com; Mortimer E Adams, gen; Warren C Philbrook, c gen; Thomas E Rasted, rec.

St Alban, 8, Portland. Thomas E McDonald, com; Henry I Nelson, gen; Wm F Bennett, c gen; Wm N Howe, rec.

Palestine, 14, Belfast. S Augustus Parker, com; William C Libby, gen; Frank O Smith, c gen; Geo I Keating, rec.

De Molay, 10, Skowhegan. Elwin Sturtevant, com; Augustine Simmons, gen; Loring J Additon, c gen; Wm R G Estes, rec.

St Elmo, 18, Machias. Frank L Shaw, com; Cyrus W Beverley, gen; Frank T Crane, c gen; Thomas G Allen, rec.

#### Mystic Shrine.

Kora Temple, Lewiston. Potentate—W. Freeman Lord, Auburn; Chief Rabban—Clarence V. Emerson, Lewiston; Second Rabban—Chas. T. Walker, Portland; High Priest and Prophet—F. G. Payne, Lewiston; Oriental Guide—A. M. Penley, Auburn; Recorder—Arthur L. Stockbridge; Treasurer—A. Berry, Auburn.

Henry M. Torsey, of Auburn, was re-elected Potentate, but declined to serve again, and Mr. Lord was elected to succeed him. At the evening session 21 candidates walked the sands of the desert. A banquet was served after the initiation of the candidates.

#### Portland Masonic Trustees.

Portland Lodge—Robert B. Swift, William N. Prince.

Anc't Landmark Lo.—Joseph E. Ricker, Leander W. Fobes.

Atlantic Lodge—George E. Raymond, Thomas P. Shaw.

Mt. Vernon Chapter—Stephen Berry.

Greenleaf Chapter—Charles Walker.

Portland Commandery—William G. Davis.

St. Alban Com'dy—Aug. G. Schlatterbeck.

Chairman—Stephen Berry.

Sec'y and Treas.—Leander W. Fobes.

#### Dedication.

Grand Master Choate, assisted by Junior Grand Warden McGorrell, Grand Marshal Dudley, Grand Chaplain Degan, and other *pro tem.* officers, dedicated the hall of Siloam Lodge, No. 92, at Fairfield, October 18th.

#### Dispensation.

Grand Master Choate granted a dispensation Nov. 17th, for a new lodge at Millinocket, Penobscot Co., to be called Nollesemie Lodge. The officers are:

Charles J. MacNutt, Master.

George W. Stearns, Senior Warden.

Harry E. Reed, Junior Warden.

Wm. J. Heebner, Secretary.

Millinocket is the new city in the wilderness where the great pulp mill has been erected.

#### Lodge Notes.

Portland Lodge, No. 1, had its officers installed by Grand Master Choate Nov. 28th, in the presence of a large assembly of members and ladies.

Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 17, had its officers installed Dec. 20th, in the presence of 300 members and ladies, D. D. G. M. Albert H. Burroughs officiating. A gold jewel was presented to Winslow E. Howell, the Master, he having already served one year.

Oriental Lodge, of Bridgton, celebrated Nov. 27th, the extinction of the debt incurred in 1867 to erect a business block.

#### Council Notes.

At his annual official visit to Portland Council, Grand Master Bial F. Bradbury

said he proposed to have Portland Council exemplify the three degrees before the Grand Council in May at the annual assembly.

#### Scottish Rite.

Eastern Star Lodge of Perfection and Palestine Council Princes of Jerusalem, of Bangor, had meetings Nov. 21st and worked the degrees.

Gen. Knox Chapter of Rose Croix, at Rockland, was constituted by Marquis F. King, Deputy for Maine, Nov. 8th, and the officers installed.

#### Books, Papers, etc.

—*Cosmopolitan* for January continues Wells' story of The First Men in the Moon, and has illustrated articles on Knickerbocker Days, Beauties of the Paris Stage, The Patronage of High Bear, The Paris Press, A Samaritan of the L'Bar, etc., excellent articles on Americanisms, by Brander Mather, and The Knights of the Golden Fleece by Edgar Saltus, and a good selection of fiction. Monthly, \$1 a year, Irvington, N. Y.

—*Notes and Queries* for January has an excellent Life of Homer from Herodotus. Notes and Queries, published by S. C. & L. M. Gould, Manchester, N. H. Monthly, \$1 a year in advance.

—*Department of Labor*. Bulletin No. 30 for September treats of the Trend of Wages, Statistics of Cities and Foreign Labor Laws, &c.

—*Sketch of Capitular Masonry* in Illinois, from its introduction until 1899, by Geo. W. Warvelle, LL.D., Chicago, dedicated to Gr. Secretary Gilbert W. Barnard, received from the author. This is a pamphlet of 45 octavo pages, and gives a very satisfactory brief history of the Royal Craft in Illinois for almost sixty years. Bro. Warvelle is industrious, and is doing a great deal of good work in the line of masonic history.

—*Biographical Sketches* of the Maine Legislature for 1901, by Howard Owen, Augusta, octavo, 26 pages, 15 cents.

—*Proceedings Grand Lodge Odd Fellows*, Maine, October, 1900, from Russell G. Dyer, Portland, Gr. Sec. 140 lodges, 20,705 members, 800 initiates. In the world there are 11,969 lodges and 893,050 members.

—*Freemasonry in the County of Lancaster, Pennsylvania*, is a brief sketch by Bro. Joshua L. Lyte, of Lancaster, Grand Recorder of the Grand Council of Pennsylvania. Masonry in that county dates almost as far back as in Philadelphia, and its history there is valuable and interesting.

—*The Legend of the Gospel of St. John*, a study in Ritualistic Evolution, by George W. Warvelle, K. G. C., Chicago, 1900, is a nine page octavo pamphlet, received from the author. The legend of the finding of the gospel is interesting.

—*The Maine Farmers' Almanac* for 1901 is received from the publisher, Charles E.



Nash, Augusta, and is like its predecessors, although it has struck into the twentieth century. But it is still young, only 83 years old, and we like to see it look natural. There will be two eclipses of the sun and one of the moon during 1901, but neither visible in Maine. Easter comes April 7th, a week earlier than in 1900. The statistics are good as usual. Those of masonry give the principal officers of all the governing bodies. We suggest that lodges regulating their meetings by the full moon, use this calendar, because some calendars are made for Massachusetts, and if the moon falls near midnight it may throw them out a week. You cannot always tell where your calendar was made up, but this is reliable. Send 10 cents to the publisher, or call for it at any bookstore.

NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS.—We have received greetings from

Gil. W. Barnard, Gr. Sec., Chicago, Ill.

General and Mrs John C. Smith, Chicago, Ill.

Wm. S. Ware, Gr. Rep. of Maine, Jacksonville, Florida.

A. M. Rambo, Masonic editor, Philadelphia, Penn.

J. C. Kidd, Gr. Recorder, Houston, Texas, enclosing fresh violets pressed.

Rev. J. C. W. Coxe, Grand Prelate Grand Enc., Washington, Iowa.

Charles E. Gillett, Oakland, Calif.

Wilbur F. Foster, Nashville, Tenn.

Roland B. Hall, Macon, Georgia.

Hon. John L. Power, Gr. Sec., Jackson, Miss.

Theo. S. Parvin, Gr. Sec., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

#### Golden Wedding.

Hon. and Mrs. J. H. Drummond, of this city, were married Dec. 10, 1850, and their golden wedding was observed yesterday by a family party, attended by their three children and nine grandchildren. There was no reception. Friends sent flowers, but the occasion was informal, as Mr and Mrs. Drummond desired it to be. Had they consented to have made the celebration other than the pleasant family gathering it was, the event would have been a notable one.

It is needless to speak in detail of the long and distinguished career of Mr. Drummond, who is very widely known because of his connection with the masonic order, his professional labors and the official positions he has filled at different times. He was twice Speaker of the House, was for four years attorney general and once a member of the Senate. He was a delegate to three Republican national conventions. He three times declined to be a candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor. He is clerk of the Maine Central Railroad corporation, and a director of Maine's one insurance company.—[Argus.]

MODEL BY-LAWS.—The addition to Section 117 of the Grand Lodge Constitution, page 46, Proceedings 1900, necessitates a change in the model by-laws in the Article of Membership, Section 41, and any lodge desiring a corrected copy can obtain one by applying to the Grand Secretary.

OBJECTION.—“In his review of Michigan, the Louisiana Correspondent says:

“From this we infer that in Michigan an objection and a black ball are equivalent methods of rejection. We think it advisable that a distinction should be observed. A black ball is an exclusion for a definite time; an objection is a temporary bar. A companion hears something detrimental to a candidate, but it may not be true. He objects to a ballot to enable him to have time for inquiry. Perhaps before the next meeting he is satisfied that the man is worthy. He withdraws his objection and the man goes through. Had he been obliged to black ball, or do its equivalent, he would have been compelled to keep a worthy man waiting at the door for months. Again, a candidate is elected, and afterwards a companion hears something that had he known previously would have caused him to black ball. He objects to the advancement of the candidate, and the latter is stopped. If the accusation is true he should be stopped permanently, and so an objection can stand. But if the accusation is proved false why should the candidate be compelled to suffer? It is not reasonable that he should suffer when his innocence is proven. We say the way should be opened for the withdrawal of an objection, and that when withdrawn, the candidate's way should immediately become unimpeded.”

“But suppose he does not withdraw the objection? Is not it then perpetual jurisdiction of the worst kind? We deem a far less evil to make a man wait a few months in some cases, than to exclude him perpetually and prevent his ever trying a second time. Even among those who hold to ‘perpetual jurisdiction,’ a rejected candidate is allowed to petition again at stated intervals, while the one who is held out by an objection not withdrawn is held out indefinitely, and, as the name of the objector is not recorded, this may continue after the objector's death or even expulsion.

—[Drummond's Chapter Corr., 1900.]

RESIGNING OFFICE.—“In this section, however, no officer takes an obligation that he will serve for the term for which he is elected or appointed. That, as we understand it, was an innovation of Dr. Mackey's. And we think, moreover, that the author of the form of the obligation had no such idea in his mind. The point of the obligation is obedience to the constitution and laws while he shall continue in office, as is in the form of oath for civil officers. If it had been otherwise intended, it would have been made, as it seems to us, a separate point in the obligation, and not a mere incident.

“However, if such an obligation is taken under a law which allows him to resign, the law is a part of the obligation and controls it precisely as if there should be added to the obligation, unless I resign or move away. If resignation is a breach of the obligation, so also is a voluntary removal beyond the jurisdiction. No one, however, claims that removal is a breach of obligation, and no more is resignation.

“In this section, too, in all cases, except in the army, resignations require no acceptance: the power of peremptory resignation

is possessed by every officer. In the masonic law, there have been held to be exceptions, but in the exceptions the acceptance cuts no figure. We hold that when an office carries with it a rank, the holder should not be allowed to resign in such manner that another can acquire the rank during the same period of time, and, therefore, that the masonic law in force in many jurisdictions that any officer, except a Master or Warden, can resign at his pleasure, is the correct one.”—[Drummond's Chapter Corr., 1900.]

#### Maine Shriners Return

Providence, October 27. Kora Temple of Mystic Shriners of Lewiston, after a three days' visit to Providence as the guests of Palestine Temple, departed for home to-day. Their pilgrimage here will long remain memorable to each and every one of the shriners who participated in the festival of three days' duration.

The banquet of last night was not concluded until dawn to-day, and the entertainment comprised every possible feature known to the hospitable brethren of Masonry. The Maine shriners were not only given the freedom of the city, but they owned the town as long as they remained.

At the big assembly hall the banquet was followed by a programme of music and dancing by theatrical beauties, and stars from the drama rendered sketchy parts. There was a full house.

Potentate Henry A. Torsey, of Kora Temple, thanked the members of Palestine Temple for their kindness in the entertainment of his brethren, and he invited Palestine Temple to visit Maine and partake of the good things of the Pine Tree State.

#### Mysterious Murder of Grand Secretary Smythe of Indiana.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 27. William H. Smythe, Grand Secretary of the masonic order of Indiana, was shot and probably fatally wounded at noon to-day in his office in the Masonic Temple. The shooting is a mystery. The story told by Mr. Smythe, who retained consciousness for several minutes after the shooting, is that a blonde woman entered his office three times and asked to be allowed to use the telephone. As he was busy he told her the third time he could not be bothered at the time. Without further words, he declared, the woman drew a revolver and fired at him. He felt the sting of the bullet but did not realize what happened until after the woman had escaped.

Police quickly reached the scene and threw a line of patrolmen and detectives about the Masonic Temple, but no trace of the mysterious woman was found.

Lewis A. Coleman, an attorney who had gone to the Masonic Temple to transact business, discovered Smythe, who he says was lying on the floor, half way between his desk and the door of his office, in a pool of blood.

An examination showed that three shots had been fired, each of which took effect in Smythe's head. The bullets have been removed, but it is not thought Smythe can recover.

The Eastern Star of January reports that he was taken to the Deaconess Hospital, and that the doctor says the wound is not serious. He is resting comfortably and there is every hope of complete recovery. “The wound is just back of the right ear.” (That looks as if there was only one shot.)



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## GRAND LODGE OF MAINE.



### ANNUAL MEETINGS.

The Masonic Grand Bodies in Maine will hold their Annual Sessions for 1901 at Masonic Hall in Portland, as follows:

Grand Lodge, Tuesday, May 7, at 9 o'clock A. M.  
Grand Chapter, " " 7, at 7 o'clock P. M.  
Grand Council, Wed'sdy, " 8, at 2 o'clock P. M.  
Gr. Com'dery, Thursday, " 9, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Lodge officers, in making applications to the Charity Fund for Relief, must be particularly careful to comply with all the directions required in filling out blanks. See pp. 126 and 127, proceedings 1900.

*To Secretaries:* Blanks for Returns of Lodges will be sent first of February. If not received by the 15th, notify me, and give the proper address. If there has been a change in the office of Secretary, call on the former one before writing me.

STEPHEN BERRY,

*Grand Secretary.*

Portland, Jan. 15, 1901.

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Any lodge officer or member of the Grand Lodge can obtain a copy of the Constitution by remitting the postage, a three cent stamp, to the Grand Secretary.

Any member of the Grand Chapter can obtain the Constitution of that body in the same way.

### The Twentieth Century.



THE twentieth century brings us new hopes of change and improvement which will tend towards an era of peace and good will. We cannot look back one hundred years without seeing that the world and our own country have greatly improved in civilization and humanity. Slavery and piracy flourished in the beginning of the nineteenth century, and now both are in decay and largely abolished. May it not be so with war in this twentieth century? Our forefathers worked longer hours for a poorer living. We have as many poor, but they are the poor of other nations thrust upon us, while the descendants of the poor of a century ago have risen to a higher level. They, too, were the poor of Europe who had sought an easier life here.

We cannot look for a change in Masonry, because its life depends upon maintaining its original principles. A change would make it like imitative societies, which we do not find to be better. Even if some of their ideas seem better, it would be dangerous to adopt them, for a change once begun would include things which might not be improvements.

Yet we may hope for improvement along the original lines, Faith, Hope, Charity, Temperance, Fortitude, Prudence and Justice.

The nineteenth century has shown a vast improvement in regard to Temperance. At its beginning almost all lodges dispensed liquors at each meeting, and it had become a reproach to the Fraternity. Now it is unknown, and the old glass ware of the lodges, when found, is preserved as a curious relic. Charity is extending widely and thoughtfully, and the twentieth century will doubtless show still greater advance than we now dream of.

One very marked thing in the past is that although numberless instances have been published of humanity in war on the part of the Fraternity, one towards another, no censure has fallen upon the Order on account of it, but rather approval. No one has been called traitor because he ministered to a prisoner. It has been, at least, tolerated, and the prisoner thought fortunate in having found such sympathizing friends. This speaks well for humanity in general, and shows us in what lines our sympathies can be safely extended. Brotherly love towards the unfortunate and the oppressed will be pardoned and condoned, even by the conquerors and the oppressors.

We cannot, like our French brethren, look forward to a reorganization of society, for that would be to return to the old times when tribes held their lands in common, but when brute force held down the feeble. It has taken many centuries to work up from that point, and society and civilization never go backward, but despite the many unequal-

ities which still exist, we may look forward hopefully to better times for the whole race. The cheap rates of interest now prevailing are the greatest blessing to the poor. It is high rates of interest which have always built up fortunes, and low rates pull them down. People who live on their incomes from investment have had their salaries cut down one-half within a very few years. It is hard for the rich, but is good for the poor who pay the interest in some way.

Masonry believes in equality, not by pulling down the rich, but by helping up the poor, and with a hopeful outlook into the future we may say to all that we wish them a happy New Century.

Our statement that lodges hold meetings and Grand Lodges communications has been questioned. That was the old distinction, and we like it and wish it could be adhered to. We admit that the Constitution uses both terms, so that both are authorized, but the use of the Grand Lodge word by lodges is an innovation which has gradually grown up, and is not desirable.

Stated instead of regular is another innovation, but we do not object to that because it is more exact in meaning.

We like to preserve the old words in Masonry when they are just as good, and we like to adhere to the old way. For that reason we prefer to have lodge meetings regulated by the moon when the brethren are obliged to ride some distance to the lodge room. In cities it is more convenient to have them in numbered weeks.

*OUR HUGH.*—The Corunna Journal says Oct. 18th was the greatest day ever seen in Corunna, Michigan, for then the new park was dedicated, and the Mayor said to Hugh McCurdy that future generations would rise up and call him blessed for giving such a pleasure ground to the people. There was a great procession, with Judge McCurdy and wife the honored guests. There were good speeches and Bro. McCurdy was very eloquent. It must have been a great day.

*CHRISTMAS OBSERVANCE.*—The Christmas Observance was very generally observed throughout the Templar world. Gr. Master Lloyd received a large number of telegrams, and these, with the letters and notices, showed that it was everywhere responded to. It was observed in Honolulu, and doubtless in the Philippines and China.

Sir Arthur Sullivan, the composer, who died of heart disease in London, Nov. 22d, was a past Grand Organist of the Grand Lodge of England. He was born in London, May 13, 1842. His father was an Irish bandmaster and his mother an Italian.

Bro. William Ross, Gr. Secretary of Nova Scotia, has resigned on account of entering the Provincial Parliament, and Bro. Thomas Mowbray, of Halifax, is appointed to succeed him.



An International Masonic Congress was supposed to be held in Paris in September, which was attended by delegates from Belgium, Switzerland, Luxemburg, Spain, Egypt and some of the South American Republics, and a permanent International Masonic Committee was appointed, with headquarters at the office of the Alpine Grand Lodge in Switzerland. Gr. Master Ernesto Nathan, of the Grand Orient of Italy, protests against the Congress on the ground that few Grand Lodges knew of the meeting.

GEORGE P. GROSS, formerly of Portland, died suddenly of heart failure in Boston, Nov. 24th, in a carriage in which he was driving to his home. He came from New Gloucester to Portland in 1856, and entered the employ of Woodman, True & Co., in which he became a partner, and remained with them until the great fire of 1866, when he went to Boston and engaged with Jordan, Marsh & Co. He afterwards founded a retail house in New Haven, but after two years returned to Boston and became the New England Agent of Arnold, Constable & Co. of New York, which position he held until his death.

He married the daughter of William Harlow, of Portland. She died suddenly about a year ago, leaving no children.

His age was about sixty-five. His father, Sewall Gross, of New Gloucester, died Dec. 4th, aged ninety-two.

George Gross was a member of Portland Lodge, Mt. Vernon Chapter, Portland Council and Portland Commandery, and was a past High Priest of Mt. Vernon Chapter. He was an excellent working officer, and was held in high esteem by his brethren.

Two brothers, Charles of New York and Granville M. of Chicago, with their aged mother, survive him.

#### Files of Token.

One bound copy of Vol. 1 of the *Token* has come into our possession which we will sell for \$4.00.

We have also files of Vol. 2 and Vol. 3, which will be sold for \$2 in sheets or \$3 bound. We particularly wish these to go into the libraries of Maine lodges, for each volume covers *ten years* of masonic history, and being supplied with an index (and illuminated title) they make an excellent reference for masonic events, which can be quickly found by the index and then looked up in more extended publications.

The Texas Freemason gives extracts from the minutes of Toltec Lodge, of Mexico, which seem to prove that R. E. Chism was a member of that lodge when he was tried and expelled, and that, therefore, he is no longer a mason.

EGYPT.—The Supreme Council of Egypt sends out a proclamation denouncing the "National Grand Lodge of Egypt" as irregular.

#### Obituaries.

EUGENE LeCOMPTE STOKER, Grand High Priest of Illinois in 1897, died at Centralia, Sept. 30th. He was a prominent lawyer.

JEREMIAH C. ALLEN, Grand High Priest of District Columbia in 1883, died in Washington, Oct. 2, 1900. He was born in Richland, N. Y., Jan. 10, 1827. He was a soldier in the civil war, and afterwards a clerk in the war department.

EDWIN C. BLACKMAR, Grand Master of Iowa, 1887 and '88, died at Burlington, Oct. 7th. He was born at North Woodstock, Conn., Sept. 7, 1835.

WILLIAM B. WILSON, Grand High Priest of Missouri in 1888, died at Cape Girardeau, Oct. 18th. He was born at Appleton, Jan. 12, 1831, and was Grand Master of the Gr. Council in 1882.

BENJAMIN F. TEMPLETON, Grand Standard Bearer of the Gr. Commandery of Ohio, died at Zanesville, Oct. 2d. He was born at Marietta, May 21, 1865, and was a physician.

EDWIN L. BOWRING, Gr. Master of Michigan in 1895, died at Grand Rapids, Oct. 26th. He was born in Resgate, Surrey, England, January 5, 1849.

THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Southern Supreme Council, died in San Francisco, Nov. 13th, aged over 70 years. He was a native of New York State, and went to California in 1849, where he became Grand Secretary, Grand Recorder and Templar Correspondent. He had also been Grand High Priest and Grand Commander. He left a wife, two daughters, two sons and four grandchildren. Memorial services were held in Washington on the day of his funeral.

WILLIAM H. TURNER, senior Past Grand Commander of Illinois, died in Chicago Nov. 12, 1900. He was born in Cincinnati, Oct. 2, 1828. He was Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge in 1853, Grand Thrice Illustrious of the Grand Council in 1855, and Grand Commander in 1863. He was a 33° in the Northern Supreme Council.

BENJAMIN F. NELSON, Gr. Junior Warden of the Grand Commandery of Missouri, died in St. Louis, Nov. 21st. He was born in Northampton, Penn., Sept. 20, 1841. He was also Grand Capt. of the Host in the Grand Chapter.

WILLIAM STARLING, Past Grand Master, Past Grand High Priest, Past Grand Commander, Past President High Priesthood, and Past Deputy Gr. Master Grand Council of Mississippi, died at Greenville, Miss., Dec. 10th. He was born in Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 25, 1839. He was a major in the 9th Kentucky Union infantry in the civil war, and later chief engineer of the Mississippi Levee Board.

The Maine Eastern Star proceedings for 1900 show 71 chapters, 5141 members and 164 initiates.

CYRUS M. PLUMMER.—The death of Bro. Cyrus M. Plummer, of San Francisco, removes a notable figure from the Masonic editorial circle. He was a Maine man and kept a hotel in Bath in early days. He was also a masonic Secretary. He was editor and founder of the *Masonic Trestle Board*, and had some very aggressive ideas, such as the immediate recognition of colored masons. While we have not always agreed with his views, our old-time friendship has always held us in accord, and we cheerfully award to him the merit of fidelity to his beliefs and an earnest desire to benefit and improve the fraternity.

The Kansas Craftsman of Wichita, Kansas, has suspended publication and transferred its list to the Masonic Constellation of St. Louis.

The *Phillips Phonograph* has changed its name to *Maine Woods*, and devotes itself specially to hunting topics, which will make it very interesting to sportsmen. Published by J. W. Brackett, Phillips, weekly, \$1 a year.

Adnah Adams Treat, the old mason, died at Denver, Colorado, Dec. 9th, aged nearly 104 years.

Bro. Gil. W. Barnard favors us with an invitation to the public installation and reception of Garden City Lodge, Chicago, Jan. 2d.

OHIO.—The Grand Commandery, Oct. 17, elected Arthur B. Foster, Cleveland, Grand Commander, John N. Bell, Dayton, Grand Recorder. 8945 members, a gain of 312. Knighted 604. One charter granted.

ILLINOIS.—The Grand Commandery elected Oct. 23d, Charles P. Kane, of Springfield, Gr. Com., Gil. W. Barnard, Chicago, Gr. Rec. John C. Smith, Chicago, is Correspondent.

The Grand Chapter elected Oct. 25, Geo. W. Warvelle, Chicago, G. H. Priest; Gil. W. Barnard, Chicago, Gr. Sec.

The Grand Council elected Oct. 24th, John B. Fithian, of Joliet, Grand Master, and Gil. W. Barnard, of Chicago, Gr. Recorder.

The Supreme Council of Tunis sends a mourning circular in memory of Dr. Nicolo Alessandro Stresino Cassanello, Ex-Sov. Gr. Commander and one of the founders of that Supreme Council, who died Sept. 27, 1900.

We acknowledge, with thanks, an invitation from Bro. John H. Shaw, Commander, to attend the Fall Session of the Scottish Rite at Spokane, Washington, Nov. 19th to 24th.

Also an invitation from Bro. Gil. W. Barnard, to attend a complimentary reception of Oriental Consistory, Chicago, Nov. 29th.

Brethren desiring information about the Eastern Star should address Mrs. Annette H. Hooper, Grand Secretary, Biddeford, Me.



**The Stone Mason.**

The mason's hand is rough and scarred,  
The mason's back is stooped and bowed;  
His brow, close bent above the stone,  
With lines of strenuous toil is plowed.  
Small ease his honest years have known,  
For Labor claims his as her own.

With skillful hands he carves and chips;  
His chisel on the hard stone rings.  
The gray dust flies about his head,  
And ever at his work he sings  
A simple croon of boyhood's day,  
Timing his chisel to the lay.

And in reverence I pause  
Where he sits careless on the stone;  
I hail him one of Labor's kings,  
The humble seat his rightful throne;  
For yesterday beneath his blow,  
Wondering, I saw an angel grow.  
—[*Youth's Companion.*]

The American Bicycle Co. of Hartford, Conn., send us their usual Calendar, which has a leaf for every day of 1901, and which sings the praise of the Columbia and Hartford Bicycle.

Bro. Bun F. Price has resigned the editorial column of the Sunday Commercial Appeal, of Memphis, on account of his health.

**Officers of the General Grand Chapter.  
Elected Sept. 26, 1900.**

James W. Taylor, Luthersville, Ga., General Grand High Priest.

Arthur G. Pollard, Lowell, Mass., Deputy General Grand High Priest.

Joseph E. Dyas, Paris, Ill., General Grand King.

Wm. C. Swain, Milwaukee, Wis., General Grand Scribe.

John M. Carter, Baltimore, Md., General Grand Treasurer.

Christopher G. Fox, Buffalo, N. Y., General Grand Secretary.

Nathan Kingsley, Austin, Minn., General Grand Captain of the Host.

Bernard G. Witt, Henderson, Ky., Gen'l Grand Principal Sojourner.

George E. Corson, Washington, D. C., General Grand Royal Arch Captain.

Frederick W. Craig, Des Moines, Iowa, General Grand Master 3d Vail.

William F. Kuhn, Kansas City, Mo., General Grand Master 2d Vail.

Bester G. Brown, Topeka, Kan., General Grand Master 1st Vail.

Rev. Wm. C. Otte, Cincinnati, Ohio, General Grand Chaplain.

Geo. W. Fels, Cincinnati, Ohio, General Grand Sentinel.

**Officers of the General Grand Council,  
Elected Sept. 25, 1900.**

William H. Mayo, St. Louis, Mo., General Grand Master.

Andrew P. Swanstrom, St. Paul, Minn., General Grand Deputy Master.

Henry C. Larrabee, Baltimore, Md., General Grand Principal Conductor.

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

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

Edward W. Wellington, Ellsworth, Kan., General Grand Captain of Guard.

J. Albert Blake, Malden, Mass., General Grand Conductor of Council.

George A. Newell, Medina, N. Y., General Grand Steward.

**MT. ABRAM LODGE.** About thirty masons from Strong and several from Farmington and other towns visited Mt. Abram Lodge, Kingfield, Jan. 3d and 4th. All three degrees were very creditably worked by the officers of the lodge, and an oyster and pastry supper was enjoyed by all present. After the degrees were worked remarks were made by John M. S. Hunter, editor of the Chronicle, Mr. Knowlton, of McLeary & Co., Rev. Mr. Kewley, of Strong, and others.—[*Farmington Chronicle.*]

**International Association of Masonic  
Engineers.**

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 21.—At a meeting here last night of engineers who are members of the Masonic Order, it was decided to form an International Association of Masonic Engineers, to be composed of locomotive, marine and stationary engineers. The object will be mainly educational. About 60 engineers attended the meeting last evening.

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, Westbrook,	11
Hancock, Castine,	11
Ira Berry, Bluehill,	22
Cumberland, New Gloucester,	22
Rising Virtue, Bangor,	22
Kenduskeag Lodge, Kenduskeag,	11
Ira Berry Chapter, Pittsfield,	22
Amity Lodge, Camden,	11
Mariner's Lodge, Searsport,	11
Winter Harbor Lo., Winter Harbor,	11
Perfect Union Lodge, N. Orleans, La.,	22
Pioneer Lodge, Ashland,	11
What lodge shall be next added?	

**SUBSTITUTES.**—"The Grand High Priest very ably discusses the question of the use of substitutes, and the Grand Chapter so far receded from its position as to permit the High Priest, in his discretion, to use not more than one substitute.

"An examination of the records of our oldest chapters in every jurisdiction in which we have had an opportunity to examine them, disclosed the fact that in the earliest days substitutes were used, and the opposite practice has undoubtedly grown up under the modern habit of strict construction, giving force to the mere *letter* of the law, in opposition to its *real* meaning. We believe that the legislation is a step in the right direction; that it will be beneficial to the chapter and that no harm will result from it, and, therefore, that it is in strict accordance with the ancient work, some modern ritualists to the contrary notwithstanding."—[*Drummond's Chapter Corr.*, 1900.]

**SOCIAL SIDE OF MASONRY.**—Many enthusiastic masons are much disturbed on account of a seeming lack of sociability among the members of the fraternity, especially in the lodge room. The want of sociability at the regular meetings of lodges is looked upon as a serious drawback by the man who looks upon Freemasonry as a purely social institution, for the reason that he fails utterly to understand its meaning and its mission.

Too much sociability of an order incompatible with the high aims and beneficent purposes of the fraternity, has already wrought much injury, and unless checked by a return to the more rational ideas upon which it was founded, Freemasonry will eventually lapse into a mere club, maintained for the sensual pleasure of its membership, ignoring and repudiating its true mission—that of sacrificing self for the benefit and happiness of those who, through misfortune, may need a helping hand now and then to make life worth living.

The man who really understands Freemasonry never worries about a want of sociability among the brethren, but he does look with sorrow and misgivings on the tendency to be over-social. He deprecates the fact that the members of his own lodge are apt to inject levity into ceremonies which, in fact, should be a thousand times more solemn than the ceremonies over the remains of one whose spirit has been wafted beyond the reach of human effort. "We can do nothing for the dead," but the living are constant objects of our solicitude and care. We are our brother's keeper. The true mason is grieved when he sees the members of his lodge, at recess, divided into little knots listening to ribald jokes, while the stranger within the gate, if a good mason and a modest man, sits unnoticed.

He is more grieved to see the same kind of sociability practiced "behind the pillars" while business is being transacted, or during the conferring of degrees, but being a good mason he does not object to letting the "boys" have a good time at the expense of Masonry. They are only carrying out their idea of an institution which to them is possessed of illimitable resources; something that is "a good enough religion to live by and a good enough religion to die by"; the most charitable institution in the world; peculiarly social in its make-up; at once a church, a theater and a club-house. They forget that nothing can be clean and at the same time foul; they forget that masonry is not, and cannot be, a popular institution, but must be select and exclusive; they forget that only those whose mental capacity is sufficient to enable them to enjoy pleasures not within the grasp of the uncultivated man, are entitled to its privileges. They would drag masonry down to their own level because they are unable to mount to its sublime heights without sacrificing self. They will not succeed. They may cause temporary embarrassment, but the foundations of masonry are laid deep and strong and will withstand all attacks from its misguided friends from within, as well as from its open and implacable enemies from without.—[*Missouri Freemason.*]

**Our Thanks.**

**CANADA.**—Grand Lodge, July 18, 1900, from J. J. Mason, Hamilton, Gr. Sec. Richard B. Hungerford, London, Grand Master. 362 lodges, 25,922 members, 1875 initiates.

**COLORADO.**—Gr. Commandery, Sept. 22, 1900, from Ed. C. Parmelee, Denver, Grand Rec. Julius B. Bissell, Denver, Gr. Com. 25 commanderies, 1183 members, 108 knighted.

**DELAWARE.**—Gr. Lodge, Oct. 3, 1900, from



Benj. F. Bartram, Wilmington, Grand Sec. Joseph Stuart, Wilmington, Gr. Master. 21 lodges, 2,320 members, 124 initiates.

IDAHO.—Gr. Lodge, Sept. 11-13, 1900, from Theophilus W. Randall, Boise, Grand Sec. Geo. D. Golden, Rocky Bar, Gr. Master. 29 lodges, 1,310 members, 99 initiates.

ILLINOIS.—Gr. Lodge, Oct. 2, 1900, from J. H. C. Dill, Bloomington, Gr. Sec. Charles F. Hitchcock, Peoria, G. M. 57,325 members, 4,002 initiates.

Gr. Chapter, Oct. 25, 1900, from Gil. W. Barnard, Chicago, Gr. Sec. Geo. W. Warville, Chicago, G. H. P. 187 chapters, 17,534 members, 1,017 exalted.

Gr. Council, Oct. 24, 1900, from Gil. W. Barnard, Gr. Rec. John B. Fithian, Joliet, Gr. Master. 43 councils, 2,852 members, 209 candidates.

Gr. Commandery, Oct. 23, 1900, from Gil. W. Barnard, Gr. Rec. Charles P. Kane, Springfield, Gr. Com. 66 commanderies, 9,582 members, 576 knighted.

Masonic Veteran Association, 15th annual from Gen. John C. Smith, Chicago, Venerable Chief. This is an octavo of 120 pages, beautifully illustrated, giving the proceedings at the annual meeting at Bro. Smith's residence, with much other interesting literature.

KANSAS.—Gr. Commandery, May 8, 1900, from Thomas J. Anderson, Topeka, G. Rec. Perry M. Hoisington, Newton, Gr. Com. 48 commanderies, 3,311 members, 201 knighted.

MASSACHUSETTS.—Gr. Lodge, Sept. and Oct., 1900, from Sereno D. Nickerson, Boston, Gr. Sec. Charles T. Gallagher, Boston, G. Master.

MASS. AND RH. ISLAND.—Gr. Commandery, Oct. 31, 1900, from Benj. W. Rowell, Boston, Gr. Rec. Winthrop Messenger, Melrose, Gr. Com. 46 commanderies, 13,112 members, 678 knighted.

MINNESOTA.—Gr. Council, Oct. 8, 1900, from Thomas Montgomery, St. Paul, Grand Rec. Jerome E. Cooley, Duluth, G. Master. 7 councils, 667 members, 27 candidates.

MONTANA.—G. Lodge, Sept. 19, 1900, from Cornelius Hedges, Helena, Gr. Sec. Theo. Brantly, Helena, Gr. M. 47 lodges, 3,144 members, 230 initiates.

NEBRASKA.—Gr. Lodge, June 6, 1900, from Francis E. White, Omaha, Gr. Sec. Albert W. Crites, Chadron, Gr. M. 231 lodges, 12,361 members, 750 initiates.

NEW YORK.—Gr. Commandery, Sept. 4, 1900, from Arthur MacArthur, Troy, Gr. Rec. Charles R. Armatage, Albany, Grand Com. 58 commanderies, 12,163 members, 871 knighted.

NEW ZEALAND.—Gr. Lodge, April 26, 1900, from Malcolm Niccol, Auckland, Gr. Sec. Alexander Stuart Russell, Auckland, Gr. Master. 116 lodges, 5,196 members, 511 initiates.

NORTH DAKOTA.—Grand Lodge, June 19, 1900, from Frank J. Thompson, Fargo, Gr. Sec. Edwin H. James, St. Thomas, Gr. M. 3,492 members, 379 initiates.

Gr. Chapter, June 21, 1900, from Frank J. Thompson, Fargo, Gr. Sec. DeWitt C. Moore, Grafton, G. H. P. 13 chapters, 1004 members, 112 exalted.

Gr. Commandery, June 25, 1900, from Frank J. Thompson, Fargo, Gr. Rec. Chas. W. Kelley, Devil's Lake, Gr. Com. 8 commanderies, 561 members, 77 knighted.

OHIO.—Gr. Lodge, Oct. 24, 1900, from J. H. Bromwell, Cincinnati, Gr. Sec. Frank S. Harmon, Akron, Gr. M. 503 lodges, 46,348 members, 3,116 candidates.

Gr. Commandery, Oct. 17, 1900, from John N. Bell, Dayton, Gr. Rec. Arthur B. Foster, Cleveland, Gr. Com. 59 commanderies, 8,945 members, 604 knighted.

PENNSYLVANIA.—Annual report of Gour-

gas Lodge of Perfection, 1900, from John Edgar Haines, Pittsburg, Gr. Sec.

NORTHERN SUPREME COUNCIL, from Clinton F. Paige, N. York, Gr. Sec. Gen. Henry L. Palmer, Milwaukee, Sov. Gr. Com'r. 80 lodges of Perfection, 28,941 members. Permanent fund, \$205,838.73.

GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL, Sept. 24, 1900, from Henry W. Mordhurst, Fort Wayne, Indiana, Gen. G. Rec. Wm. H. Mayo, St. Louis, Mo., Gen. G. Master.

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.

JOHN T. G. NICHOLS, in Cambridge, Mass., Oct. 16, aged 83 yrs. 6 mos. He was a clergyman, a son of Rev. Dr. Ichabod Nichols of Portland, and was Chaplain of Saco Lodge for thirty years.

RICHARD L. ROBINSON, at Ridgefield Park, Elizabeth, N. J., Oct. 20, aged 84 yrs. Once a member of Ancient Landmark Lodge of Portland, where he was made in 1844.

CHARLES E. FESSENDEN, in Bridgton, Oct. 27, aged 51 yrs; a member of Oriental Lodge.

JOHN H. FROST, in San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 26, aged 46. A native of Gardiner, Me.

JOHN H. HALL, in Portland, suddenly, aged 65 yrs. 4 mos. 23 days. He was a commission merchant and was Master of Portland Lodge in 1877. He also belonged to the Commandery and the Scottish Rite. Before the great fire of 1866 he was in a prosperous business, but losing that by fire he was afterwards unsuccessful.

JOSEPH HENRY WEBSTER, in Portland, Nov. 5, aged 71. He was born in Portland, Oct. 11, 1829, and was an insurance agent. He was initiated in Ancient Landmark Lodge Jan. 5, 1853.

NEWELL W. BRAINERD, in Boston, Nov. 9, aged 41. He was Clerk of the Courts in Somerset County, a past Commander of De Molay Commandery of Skowhegan, and past Grand Standard Bearer of the Grand Commandery.

MONROE STODDARD, in Yarmouth, Nov. 9, aged 53. He had been Master of Casco Lodge, and for seventeen years the Secretary. He was also Secretary of Cumberland Chapter. He was for many years Superintendent of Shaw's cotton mill, and was a man of fine character, a good citizen and a kind neighbor. He left a wife and six children.

MYRON E. MOORE, at Deering Center, Nov. 22, aged 48. He was a builder and was a member of Deering Lodge.

FRANCES LIBBY FRANK, in Gray, July 5, of paralysis, aged 84 yrs. 4 mos. 3 days. Wife of the late Alpheus Frank, Jr., and mother of Bro. Wm. H. Frank.

GEORGE P. GROSS, in Boston, Nov. 24, aged about 65. (See editorial.)

GEORGE W. LEIGHTON, in Portland, Nov. 27, aged 59. He was a stone-cutter, doing business opposite the Cemetery in Deering district. He had been for many years the Standard bearer of Portland Commandery. He left a wife, three daughters and one son.

RUEL S. MAXCY, in Gardiner, Dec. 1, aged 72 yrs. 8 mos. 20 days. He was a member of Hermon Lodge, which he joined in 1851, but was long a Portland merchant, having been the head of the firm of Maxcy, Sawyer & Co. He left a wife, two sons and one daughter.

DANIEL H. SWAN, in Kennebunk, Dec. 3, aged 63 yrs 6 mos. He was a veteran hotel keeper, and was a mason.

WILLIS S. SEAVEY, killed at Salisbury, Mass., on the B. & M. Railroad, Dec. 7, aged 29 yrs. 6 mos. He was a brakeman and was crushed and burned in a collision. He was a member of Hiram Lodge, Greenleaf Chapter and St. Alban Commandery.

CYRUS M. PLUMMER, in San Francisco Nov. 11, aged 72 yrs. 3 mos. 4 days. Formerly of Maine and a member of Dunlap Commandery till his death. He was editor of the Masonic Trestle Board.

HARRIET T. PREBLE, at New Brighton, Staten Island, Jan. 14. Wife of Bro. William P. Preble, and daughter of the late John Mussey, of Portland.

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