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WIND AND SNOW.

When sleep had closed the lattices
Along the village street,
I heard the clang of iron mail,
The ring of steel-shod feet.
I pulled the muslin curtain by,
Between it peering forth,
And lo! beheld a wild gray knight
Come riding from the north.

The frost was in the streaming hair,
The ice was on his beard,
He shouted shrilly as he passed,
His cry was long and weird.
He struck the boughs that barred his way
And broke them in his flight,
Across his saddle-bow he bore
A maiden veiled in white.

My breath was frozen on the pane,
My lips were blue with cold,
When far away his strident voice
Died out from off the world,
And when the clouded morning dawned,
All colorless and pale,
Before my door lay soft and white
The maiden's snowy veil.

—[Mina Irving in Lippincott's.]

MASONRY IN MAINE.

Lodge Elections.

Molunkus, 165, Sherman Mills. Verdi Ludgate, m; Alfred Cushman, sw; Geo W Upton, jw; John Gosnell, sec.

Amity, 6, Camden. Charles G Weaver, m; Jessie H Ogier, sw; James F Burgess, jw; Henry L Maker, sec.

St. George, 16, Warren. Warren Morse, m; George J Newcomb, sw; George P Holt, jw; George Walker, sec.

Asylum, 133, Wayne. Augustus E Campbell, m; Luther M Norris, sw; James M Moulton, jw; B Frank Bradford, sec.

Carrabassett, 161, Canaan. Fred C Dunlap, Skowhegan, m; Harry B Harris, sw; Frank L Rowell, jw; Alpheus Nason, sec.

Dirigo, 104, Weeks' Mills. Robert N Barton, m; Morton M Small, sw; Charles H Black jw; Orren F. Sproul, sec.

Keystone, 80, Solon. Jonah G Spaulding, m; Turner Davis, sw; W H Sopers, jw; Perry S Longley, sec.

Wilton, 156, Wilton. Frank L Woodcock, m; Wm J Trefethen, sw; Colin H Dascomb, jw; Fred E Trefethen, sec.

Sabasticook, 146, Clinton. C Percival Loder, m; Edward E Bingham, sw; L L Andrews, jw; Ruel W Gerald, sec.

Island Falls, 206, Island Falls. Geo H Donham, m; Samuel R Crabtree, sw; Leverett H Peters, jw; Frank L Mooney, sec.

St. Paul's, 82, Rockport. Charles J Gregory, m; Frank E Achorn, sw; Enos E Ingraham, jw; Everett E Fales, sec.

Arion, 162, Goodwin's Mills. Adelbert S Taylor, m; Freedom R Hill, sw; Oscar G Hanson, Alewife, jw; J Burton Roberts, Dayton, sec.

Portland, 1, Portland. Frederick J Ilsley, m; Charles F Sanborn, sw; Wm B Andrews, jw; Geo F Gould, sec.

Star in the East, 60, Old Town. Fred J Whiting, m; Clarence B Swan, sw; Osman B Fernandez, jw; Albert H Maddocks, sec.

Village, 26, Bowdoinham. Anson P M Given, m; Stephen C Snell, sw; Amasa C Williams, jw; Frank H Purinton, sec.

Archon, 139, East Dixmont. Fred M Johnson, m; Edgar C Newcomb, South Newburgh, sw; Stephen Mudgett, Dixmont Center, jw; Benj F Porter, sec.

Day Spring, 107, West Newfield. Geo M Hill, m; Albert J Shepard, sw; Carl E Stannaford, jw; Geo T Wilson, Newfield, sec.

Cumberland, 12, New Gloucester. Flavius B Shackford, South Poland, m; Frank M Hawkes, North Raymond sw; Lemuel S Day, jw; Geo H Goding, Auburn, sec.

Composite, 168, La Grange. Chauncey A Doble, m; Maurice L Woodman, sw; Allen Kirkland, jw; Fred H Savage, sec.

Mt. Kileo, 169, Guilford. Ralph H Marsh, m; Lewis A Houston, sw; Giles M Fogg, jw; David Pearson, sec.

Penobscot, 39, Dexter. Frank M Howard, m; Chas H Thompson, sw; Frank B Arnold, jw; Charles S Hutchinson, sec.

Ancient Landmark, 17, Portland. Frank C Allen, m; Fred C Tolman, sw; LeRoy F Tobie, jw; John S Russell, sec.

Harmony, 38, Gorham. Wm P F Robie, m; Frank S Hamlet, sw; Harry E Day, jw; Edward W Guptill, sec.

Adoniram, 27, Limington. Charles C Smith, m; Andrew J Chick, sw; Everett J Pattee, jw; Hardy H McKenney, sec.

Mt Tir'em, 132, Waterford. Willard C Goodwin, m; Charles S Hamlin, sw; Elbridge P Kimball, jw; Isaac F Jewett, sec.

Kenduskeag, 137, Kenduskeag. Wm E Nason, m; Wallace W Patterson, sw; Greenleaf Harvey, jw; John H Everett, sec.

Messalonskee, 113, Oakland. Lester M Andrews, m; Geo H Foster, sw; Thomas E Johnson, jw; Orestes E Crowell, sec.

Solar, 14, Bath. N Gratz Jackson, m; Sanford L Fogg, sw; Henry R White, jw; Albert L Strout, sec.

Franklin, 123, New Sharon. Manley H Blaisdell, m; Edward L Russell, sw; John M Rowe, jw; James H Howes, sec.

Dresden, 103, Dresden Mills. Wilbur F

Cate, m; George W Palmer, sw; Elbridge G Bickford, jw; Nathaniel F Leeman, sec.

Seaside, 144, Boothbay Harbor. Merrill A Perkins, m; Frederick C Blake, sw; Lincoln M Harris, jw; Henry S Perkins, sec.

Temple, 86, Westbrook. Charles R Anderson, m; Frank P Pride, sw; Henry M Hutchins, jw; Oliver A Cobb, sec.

Caribou, 170, Caribou. Dana L Teague, m; Howard Dow, sw; Heber H Whitney, jw; Arthur A Garden, sec.

Tremont, 77, Southwest Harbor. Samuel S Moore, m; Henry Tracy, sw; John R Tinker, jw; Wm R Keene, Manset, sec.

Alna, 43, Damariscotta. Rupert B Mathews, m; George W Singer, sw; Osma L Sumner, jw; Walter M Barstow, sec.

Delta, 153, Lovell. James H Walker, m; Clinton P Hubbard, sw; Frank Harmon, jw; Edward L Bell, sec.

Anchor, 158, South Bristol. Everett W Gamage, m; Frank W Jordan, sw; Edwin S Gamage, jw; Walter H McFarland, sec.

Pioneer, 72, Ashland. Wm E Hopper, m; Seth S Thornton, sw; Geo H Mooers, jw; Charles A Carter, sec.

Atlantic, 81, Portland. Arthur Merrill, m; Wm G Newhall, sw; Elmer A Doten, jw; Daniel W Fox, sec.

Mosaic, 52, Foxcroft. Victor L Warren, m; Bion B Anderson, sw; Albert T Spaulding, jw; James T Roberts, Dover, sec.

Tuscan, 106, Addison Point. Fred A Chandler, m; Melvin A Cleaves, sw; Walter D Ramsdell, jw; Osmond A Holmes, sec.

Installed Dec. 5th, by Osmond A Holmes, P D D G M.

Hancock, 4, Castine. Willis A Ricker, m; Embert N Allen, sw; Otis H Parker, jw; Charles H Hooper, sec.

Bar Harbor 185, Bar Harbor. William Quimby, m; Thomas Searls, sw; Andrew J Babbidge, jw; Benj L Hadley, sec.

Crescent, 28, Pembroke. Herbert H Best, West Pembroke, m; Frank C Gardner, sw; Jas Abernethy, West Pembroke, jw; Eugene S Wilbur, West Pembroke, sec.

Installed December 16th, by Wheeler C Hawkes, D D G M, in the presence of over 100 invited guests.

Oriental, 13, Bridgton. Horace E Seavey, m; Clifford C Smith, sw; Frank W Walker, jw; D Eugene Chaplin, sec.

Horeb, 93, Lincoln. Philip J Mills, m; Guy W Merrill, sw; Everett O Moore, jw; William C Clark, sec.

Somerset, 34, Skowhegan. Elwin E Sturtevant, m; J Wallace Blunt, sw; Rupert E Jackson, jw; Chas M Lambert, sec.

Harwood, 91, Machias. Daniel A Curtis, m; Herbert A Bowker, sw; David G Field, jw; Carl M Hutchinson, sec.

Freedom, 42, Limerick. Autine S Sawyer, m; Samuel T Bradbury, sw; Geo A Carpenter, jw; Frank D Fenderson, sec.

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Lincoln, 3, Wiscasset. Chas S Sewall, m; James B Clark, sw; Chas L Macurda, jw; Wm D. Patterson, sec.

St Aspinquid, 198, York Village. Allen C Moulton, m; John C Stewart, sw; Raymond F Brewster, jw; Bradford S Woodward, sec.

Bay View, 196, East Boothbay. Harvey R Barlow, m; Edward F Farnham, sw; Millard F Blake, jw; Victor K Montgomery, sec.

Orient, 15, Thomaston. Horatio G Copeland, m; Samuel F Miller, sw; Edwin S Vose, jw; Alanson O Tobie, sec.

Pownal, 119, Stockton Springs. Frank E West, m; Frank V Davis, sw; John B Merrithew, jw; Albert M Ames, sec.

York, 22, Kennebunk. Leon B Rogers, m; Wesley T Sanderson, sw; Homer T Waterhouse, jw; Geo A Gilpatrick, sec.

Siloam, 92, Fairfield. Wm W Merrill, m; Edward C Hooper, sw; Harry L Holmes, jw; Eugene C Herring, sec.

Greenleaf, 117, Cornish. Chas H Badgley, m; Wm J Parker, sw; Leon M Ayer, jw; Samuel G Sawyer, sec.

Waterville, 33, Waterville. John H Burleigh, m; John E Nelson, sw; Francis M Wheeler, jw; Anson O Libby, sec.

Felicity, 19, Bucksport. Archie L White, m; Daniel R Coussey, sw; Fred M Mooney, jw; Frederick Wood, sec.

Lygonia, 40, Ellsworth. Howard W Dunn, m; Jas A Taylor, sw; W E Dunn, jw; Nath'l Moor, sec.

Lebanon, 116, So Norridgewock. Ernest W Gilman, m; Henry C Hussey, sw; Geo P Gilman, jw; Chas A Ward, sec.

Chapter Elections.

Franklin, 44, Farmington. J Clinton Metcalf, m; John M S Hunter, k; Fred F Paine, sc; Geo B Cragin, sec.

Drummond, 27, Oakland. Chas A Ridley, m; George F Allen, k; Jeremiah Tourjee, sc; Orestes E Crowell, sec.

Greenleaf, 13, Portland. Walter J Laughlin, m; Frank W York, k; Geo W Pennell, sc; Francis E Chase, sec.

Pentecost, 55, Boothbay Harbor. Wm F Buker, m; Chas J Marr, k; Woodbury Masson, sc; Henry S Perkins, sec.

Cumberland, 35, Yarmouth. Perez S Burr, m; David H Bennett, k; Louis P Pomeroy, sc; Aug H Humphrey, sec.

Aurora, 22, Cornish. Henry I Hill, m; Wm R Copp, k; Stephen Rounds, sc; Samuel G Sawyer, sec.

Piscataquis, 21, Foxcroft. Ralph W Hughes, m; Allen P Clark, k; George T Flanders, sc; James T Roberts, Dover, sec.

Mt Kebo, 50, Bar Harbor. Fred J Brewer, m; Edwin H Higgins, k; Edgar J Trussell, sc; Benj L Hadley, sec.

Mt Vernon, 1, Portland. Geo H Allan, m; Herbert N Maxfield, k; Robert B Low, sc; John S Russell, sec.

A P H Priest's jewel was presented to the retiring H P, Charles F Porter.

Eagle, 11, Westbrook. George B Swett, Cumberland Mills, m; Charles W Carll, Cumberland Mills, k; Elvin A Leighton, sc; Harlan P Babb, sec.

Crescent, 26, Pembroke. Stephen W Smith, West Pembroke, m; Alvra W Leighton, k; Everett H Fisher, West Pembroke, sc; Eugene S Wilbur, West Pembroke, sec.

E. B. French, 42, Damariscotta. Wil-

moth H Hervey, m; George O Keene, k; Wilbur G Knowlton, sec.

Murray, 33, Kennebunk. Albert W Meserve, m; Lendall W Nash, k; Atwater L Douglass, sc; Homer T Waterhouse, sec.

Somerset, 15, Skowhegan. Amos K Butler, m; Rupert E Jackson, k; Wm J Estabrook, sc; Chas Milton Lambert, sec.

Oriental, 30, Bridgton. David C Saunders, m; John G Knowlton, k; Arthur C Ferguson, Fryeburg, sc; Millard M Caswell, sec.

Corinthian, 7, Belfast. Wilmer J Dorman, m; Ashley A Smith, k; Henry J Chaples, sc; George I Keating, sec.

Hancock, 19, Bucksport. Calvin O Page, m; Daniel Coussey, k; Archie L White, sc; Frederick Wood, sec.

Council Elections.

Dunlap, 8, Lewiston. Charles E Merrill, Auburn, m; Edward S Stetson, Lewiston, dm; John R Webber, Auburn, rcw; Geo R Page, Auburn, rec.

Portland, 4, Portland. Edward F Hillman, m; Samuel Worcester, dm; Edward S Waite, rcw; Geo W Pennell, rec.

Westbrook, 15, Westbrook. Samuel F Tufts, m; Henry S Cobb, dm; Arthur W Ricker, rcw; Oliver A Cobb, rec.

Adoniram, 12, Gardiner. James F Bagley, m; Togus, m; Harry E Larrabee, dm; Freeman Y Barker, rcw; James F Larrabee, rec.

Commandery Elections.

Portland, 2, Portland. Woodman S Eaton, com; Edmund B Mallet, gen; Edward S Kennard, c gen; John S Russell, rec.

Pilgrim, 19, Farmington. Edwd C Merrill, com; Emery V Varney, gen; Daniel B Belcher, c gen; George B Cragin, rec.

Strathglass, 21, Rumford Falls. Fred O Walker, com; Waldo Pettingill, gen; Elmer L Lovejoy, c gen; Frank P Savage, rec.

St Omer, 12, Waterville. Cyrus W Davis, com; Edward W Boyer, gen; Dana P Foster, c gen; Thomas E Ransted, rec.

St. Alban, 8, Portland. Wm F Bennett, com; Arthur J Floyd, gen; King S Raymond, c gen; Wm N Howe, rec.

Palestine, 14, Belfast. Frank L Field, com; Marion E Brown, gen; Ashley A Smith, c gen; Wilmer J Dorman, rec.

Claremont, 9, Rockland. Alex A Beaton, com; Lorenzo S Robinson, gen; Leonard H Snow, c gen; Chas E Meserve, rec.

St Amand, 20, Kennebunk. Lendall W Nash, com; John Watson, gen; Charles H Cole, c gen; Leon B Rogers, rec.

St. Elmo, 18, Machias. Willis H Allen, com; Ephra B Farnsworth, gen; David G Field, c gen; Thomas G Albee, rec.

Masonic Trustees, 1904.

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

Anc't Landmark Lo—Leander W. Fobes, Millard F. Hicks.

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

Mt. Vernon Chapter—Stephen Berry.

Greenleaf Chapter—Charles Walker.

Portland Command'y—Woodman S. Eaton.

St. Alban Commandery—Albro E. Chase.

Chairman—Stephen Berry.

Sec'y and Treasurer—Leander W. Fobes.

Supt. of Halls—Warren O. Carney.

Fire.

The hall occupied by Star in the West Lodge at Unity, was destroyed by fire Jan. 5th. Loss on furnishings \$1,000, with small insurance.

Oriental Commandery, U. D., Bridgton.

On account of the removal from the state of the Commander, the following changes have been made by the Grand Commander in the officers:

John L. Meservey, Naples, Commander.

George R. Hamblen, Geno.

Herbert A Lombard, Capt. Gen.

Frank P. Bennett, Recorder.

New Chapter.

Grand High Priest Howard D. Smith, issued November 14th a dispensation to thirty-eight Royal Arch Masons for a new chapter at Brownville, in Piscataquis County, to be called Rabboni Chapter. The officers are:

George W. McClain, Henderson, High Priest.

William A. Johnson, Milo, King.

William C. Wells, Brownville, Scribe.

Frank A. Cousins, Henderson, Sec.

Books, Papers, etc.

—*Bureau of Labor*, Carroll D. Wright, Commissioner. The bulletin for November, No. 49, treats of the Cost of Living, and of Labor Conditions in New Zealand. This is an interest subject because many modern theories are being tried in that country.

—*The Aurora* is a new 16 page magazine published quarterly in Aberdeen, South Dakota, in the interest of the Scottish Rite, No. 1 being issued for Dec., 1903. E. T. Taubman, 33°, is the editor. The subscription price is not given. We are glad to welcome it as an exchange.

—*Scottish Rite Bulletin*, Louisville, Kentucky. No. 1 of Vol. 1, was issued Jan. 1, 1904, an eight-page quarto, monthly, 50 cents a year. We welcome it.

What did Lord Essex think of you? Edmund Kean was asked, after a performance which that peer had honored with his presence. "Damn Lord Essex," was the reply: "the pit rose at me!" This is practically the text of a handsomely illustrated article by Hjalmar H. Boyesen, 2d, in the January *Cosmopolitan*, defending the popular extravaganza and spectacular play. In judging the play whose aim is extravagantly gorgeous, it is not fair to condemn it utterly for its lack of intellectuality. The answer that it reaches and pleases a larger audience than any other kind of production is a valid defence to any indictment that might be brought against it.

The *Cosmopolitan* is published at Irvington, N. Y., \$1 a year.

—*Catalogue of Colby College*, Waterville,

Me., for 1904, received. The list of students shows 122 men and 75 women, a total of 197. This was Bro. Drummond's alma mater.

—*The Maine Farmers' Almanac* for 1904 is received from Charles E. Nash & Son, Publishers, Augusta, price 10 cents, for which much valuable information is given. A tribute is paid two of its veteran correspondents, Josiah H. Drummond and Wm. L. Harvey, both brilliant mathematicians.

There will be two eclipses of the sun, neither visible in Maine. Lent begins Feb. 17th; Good Friday comes April 1st; Easter April 3d. Fourth of July comes on Monday and Christmas on Sunday.

Full Moons.

January 3,	1 h. 8 m. morning.
February 1,	11 h. 54 m. morning.
March 1,	10 h. 9 m. evening.
March 31,	8 h. 5 m. morning.
April 29,	5 h. 57 m. evening.
May 29,	4 h. 15 m. morning.
June 27,	3 h. 44 m. evening.
July 27,	5 h. 3 m. morning.
August 25,	8 h. 23 m. evening.
September 24,	1 h. 10 m. evening.
October 24,	6 h. 17 m. morning.
November 22,	10 h. 33 m. evening.
December 22,	1 h. 22 m. evening.

Maine lodges should use these dates, because calendars printed abroad may give a different day by the difference of a few minutes in longitude.

☞ The following lodges pay \$1 or \$2 a year, receiving 11, 22 and 33 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
Rising Virtue, Bangor,	22
Kenduskeag Lodge, Kenduskeag,	11
Ira Berry Chapter, Pittsfield,	22
Amity Lodge, Camden,	11
Mariner's Lodge, Searsport,	11
Pioneer Lodge, Ashland,	11
Lincoln Lodge, Wiscasset,	33
St. Aspinquid Lodge, York Corner,	11
What lodge shall be next added?	

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 copy can obtain one by applying to the Grand Secretary.

Spartan Endurance.

A young man was deeply impressed with the beauties of Freemasonry, and after considerable effort, mental and otherwise, had fitted himself for the ceremony of initiation into the order, relates the New York Evening Post. He had heard of the "goat" and

the "gridiron" and many other things connected with the first degree, and was prepared to be surprised at nothing. In the course of his first evening at the lodge, he stepped on a tack which stuck into his foot and gave him considerable pain. He said nothing and made no effort to remove it, painful though it was. Two hours later, when it seemed to him that there was nothing more to come in the way of initiation, he asked if he might take the tack out of his foot. His sufferings were not ameliorated when he was told that the tack had nothing to do with the ceremonies.

The Vicissitudes of Life.

Historians regret the fact that there is so little to record of the career of Anthony Sayer, the first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England, elected when that Grand Lodge was formed in 1717. Bro. Sayer was a member of one of the old lodges now known as "Fortitude and Old Cumberland, No. 12," but originally No. 3, of the immortal quartette of 1717, and appears as a member in the returns to the Grand Lodge accordingly, of 1723-5 and 1731-2. He retired from the Grand Mastership June 24, 1718, his successor being George Payne, and afterwards in 1719 held the office of Senior Grand Warden. At the installation of the Duke of Norfolk as Grand Master, Jan. 29, 1730, he appeared as the senior of some nine "former Grand Masters by Juniority." He evidently fell into straitened circumstances, as he was the recipient of Grand Lodge benevolence in 1724, 1730 and again in 1741, the probable year of his decease. He had come eventually to be Tyler of the old Kings Arms Lodge (now No. 28),—a striking illustration of the vicissitudes of life.—[*The American Tyler.*]

The Autumn Girl.

She comes with sweet September days,
Returned from hill and sea;
Her cheeks browned by the sunshine's rays,
Eyes brimming o'er with glee.
Some say she's but the summer maid robed in a new disguise—
A very stunning masquerade that takes us by surprise.
But whether this be false or true,
I'll toast again her eyes of blue,
Her sun-kissed cheeks and hair a-curl—
Here's to the golden autumn girl!

—[*Exchange.*]

A Statuet 6500 Years Old.

In his article on "The Ten Temples of Abydos," in Harper's magazine for November, Prof. Flinders Petrie tells of his discovery of a statuet of ivory more than 6500 years old, and how he managed to preserve it. "Groping in the thick, brown organic mud of this rubbish-hole," says Prof. Petrie, "I lifted out one by one the priceless examples of glazed work and ivory of this earliest age of great art—an art of which we have never understood the excellence from the traces hitherto known. The ivory was sadly routed, and could scarcely be lifted without dropping asunder in flakes. So when I found that I had touched a piece it was left alone, and the other parts were cleared, until at last a patch of ground was left where several pieces of ivory had been observed. Cutting deep around this, I detached the whole block of 60 or 80 pounds of earth, and had it removed on a tray to my storeroom. There it dried gradually for two or three weeks, and then with a camel's-hair paint-brush I began to gently dissect it and trace the ivory figures. Not a single piece was broken or spoiled by thus working it out, and noble figures of lions, a bear, a large ape, and several boys came gradu-

ally to light. Suddenly a patterned robe and than a marvelous face appeared in the dust, and there came forth from his 6000-year sleep one of the finest portrait figures that has ever been seen. A single photograph can give but little idea of the subtlety of the face and the expression, which changes with every fresh light in which it is seen. Wearing the crown of Upper Egypt, and clad in his thick embroidered robe, this old king, wily yet feeble with the weight of years, stands for the diplomacy and statecraft of the oldest civilized kingdom that we know. No later artist of Egypt, no Roman portraitmaker, no Renaissance Italian, has outdone the truth and expression of this oldest royal portrait, coming from the first dynasty of Egypt."

The social amenities of the Lodge are worthy of cultivation. It is a mistake to think that the formalities of ritualistic work are all there is to be regarded. If that were all Lodge meetings would soon become dry husks. Social and fraternal are greater than mere routine. Cultivate sociability; become more friendly, better acquainted with each other, and the effect will soon become apparent in larger attendance and greater interest. If strangers are present make them feel that they are of the same family and brotherhood and worthy of attention, and you may sometimes "entertain angels in disguise."

—[*Masonic Standard.*]

The Mark Degree claims to have existed as far back as any degree in Freemasonry. In 1598, William Schaw, Master of Works to James VI, ordered the Mark of Masons to be inserted in their work. In March, 1850, a committee that was appointed by the Grand Lodge of England reported that, in their opinion, the Mark Degree was "not positively essential, but a graceful appendage to the Degree of the Fellow Craft," which report was unanimously adopted, but owing to technical objections which were felt by some the report was not confirmed. —[*Freemason's Chronicle.*]

French Freemasonry.

It was my bookbinder who invited me. From gilt edges and basil we had drifted into politics, as one generally does in France. His eye, quiet and sober in the matter of books, lit up. His remarks became pregnant with disrespect for the clergy. France, he opined, was lagging on the road to liberty, and it was all the fault of the Church. But there were agencies at work which would burst the fetters of superstition and moral servitude—in short, he was a Freemason, and if I would like to attend a "tenu blanche," about to be given for the benefit of the profane, a card was at my disposal. This offer was not a hollow formality such as the invitations to weddings and other interesting family events that the Parisian householder receives from his tradesmen. It was clearly inspired by zeal for my enlightenment, and I accepted it in a becomingly democratic spirit.

A "tenu blanche" means, in the figurative language of French Freemasonry, a lodge meeting open to the uninitiated, the color being doubtless an allusion to innocence of the guests in matters masonic. Its object, I gathered, was to combine instruction with amusement, to enlighten the brethren's wives, children and friends as to the principles of the craft, plant the seeds of truth in their bosoms, and provide them with a pleasant evening. The festivities to which I was bidden by my bookbinder and

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GRAND LODGE OF MAINE.



ANNUAL MEETINGS.

The Masonic Grand Bodies in Maine will hold their Annual Sessions for 1904 at Masonic Hall in Portland, as follows:


Grand Lodge, Tuesday, May 3, at 9 o'clock A. M.
Grand Chapter, " " 3, at 7 o'clock P. M.
Grand Council, Wed'sdy, " 4, at 2 o'clock P. M.
Gr. Com'dery, Thursday, " 5, 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. 342 and 343, proceedings 1903.

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, 1904.

 Secretaries should instantly report the election of officers, if they have not done so, that communications, &c., may be sent to the proper addresses.

MAINE MASONIC TEXT BOOK.

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

A new edition has been published, bringing the decisions up to 1902.

In leather tuck,	\$1.50
In cloth for library,	1.40

Sent postpaid on receipt of price.

STEPHEN BERRY, PUBLISHER.

37 Plum Street, Portland, Maine.

The New Masonic Temple in Portland.

The Masonic Trustees, having decided to go on with the new temple on the Boody lot at the corner of Congress and Chestnut streets, have organized a corporation to be called "Masonic Temple Association," with a capitalization of two hundred thousand dollars, to be divided into

eight thousand shares of the par value of twenty-five dollars.

It is expected that the stock will be at once subscribed for and that work on the lot will soon begin.

The corporation will take over from the Masonic Trustees of Portland, the lot of land, paying for it with the stock of the corporation, and this stock will in a short time be distributed to the donors, by whose subscription the land was purchased.

The officers of the corporation are:

President—Woodman S. Eaton.

Treasurer—Leander W. Fobes.

Directors—Stephen Berry, Leander W. Fobes, Charles Walker, William N. Prince, Millard F. Hicks, Robert B. Swift, George E. Raymond, Thomas P. Shaw, Woodman S. Eaton, Albion E. Chase.

The work will begin as soon as practicable and be pushed along to an early completion. The laying of the corner stone of this building will be a great masonic event, and when the building is completed it will be one of the most important masonic events ever occurring in Maine.

The members of the fraternity are congratulating each other and every one else is congratulating them on the approaching consummation of their long cherished hopes and plans.

The detailed description of the building is as follows:

The new Masonic Temple to be built on the corner of Chestnut and Congress streets, will have a frontage of 117 feet on Congress street and 148 feet on Chestnut street. Some idea of the size of the building may be had by comparing the area of the Y. M. C. A. Building with the new building. The Y. M. C. A. Building contains 9,000 square feet, while the new masonic Temple will contain over 17,000 square feet. The lot being bounded on the north by the Chestnut Street School yard and on the west by the passage leading to the High School, will insure ample light on all four sides of the building.

The building will be built of red bricks, with granite trimmings on the lower story, and with limestone or terra cotta trimmings above. The building will be six stories in height and covered with a gravel roof. Simplicity and strength will be the elements sought for in the exterior, although sufficient ornamentation will be used to make it attractive.

The first floor will be divided as follows:—four rooms with entrances on Congress street, suitable for banking or insurance business, two stores with entrances from Chestnut street and a room suitable for a restaurant in the rear of the stores, having an entrance from the High School passage, and also an entrance from the main corridor of the building.

The main entrance is in the centre of the

Congress street side and leads directly to the stairway and elevators. There is also an entrance from the Chestnut street side and one from the passageway.

The second story will be devoted entirely to office purposes. On this floor there are 16 offices and 13 private offices. There is a large fireproof vault on this floor for the use of the tenants.

In the rear of the third story is the banquet hall 52 ft. x 86 ft. in size, and connecting with it, the kitchen, serving room, store room, &c. The front part of the third story to be used for offices. On this floor there are 10 offices and seven private offices and a fireproof vault for the tenants.

The fourth, fifth and sixth stories are to be used entirely for masonic purposes. The fourth floor has a large hall 52 ft. x 86 ft., a smaller hall 32 ft. x 60 ft., Tyler's room, committee rooms, library, social rooms, &c.

The fifth floor will be the offices of the Grand Lodge. There is also a large ladies' parlor, reading room and committee rooms of this floor.

The sixth floor has a large auditorium 52 ft. x 86 ft., with a stage 52 ft. x 39 ft. in size. This auditorium will seat comfortably seven hundred and fifty people. On the Chestnut street side is the Armory 44x83 feet in size and on the Congress street side will be social and committee rooms.

There will be two passenger elevators in the main corridor and a freight elevator in the rear.

Ample provisions have been made for toilet rooms on each floor.

It is intended to make the building thoroughly modern in construction and equipment. Steel will enter largely into the construction of the building, wire lathing will be used throughout and all corridors will have a terrazzi flooring or of some similar fire-proof material.

The large halls will be heated and ventilated by a blower system so as to insure a sufficient quantity of pure air under the most crowded conditions.

It is necessary now that the whole body of the craft in Portland should move quickly in subscribing for the stock; not merely the few who can take many shares, but those who can afford but one. Those who have already contributed less than \$25 will be afforded an opportunity to increase their subscriptions to that amount and to thus secure an interest and a vote.

It was fifty years ago that Bro. Henry H. Boody proposed the purchase of the lot on the opposite corner of Chestnut street for Masonic hall, and many years before that the brethren had talked of the matter. Now the time has arrived. We have the lot, the Lynch lot on the Southerly corner has been secured, the plans are ready. Shall we lay the corner stone when the

Grand Lodge meets in May? It lies with you, brethren.

DIST. COLUMBIA. James A. Wetmore, Washington, was elected Grand Master, Dec. 16th, and Arvine W. Johnston, Washington, G. Sec.

Wm. B. Melish, of Cincinnati, Gr. Capt.-Gen'l and Chairman of Committee of Arrangements of the Grand Encampment, announces a round trip fare of \$50 from Chicago or St. Louis, plus \$11 to go via Portland, Oregon, and has arranged for a Grand Encampment Official Special Train, which leaves Chicago Aug. 16th and arrives at San Francisco Aug. 29th. It leaves San Francisco on its return Sept. 9th, arriving in St. Louis Sept. 16th. The cost of this trip will be \$170 in addition to the fare of \$61, and applications must be made early.

Mount Vernon Chapter of Portland has appointed a committee to arrange for its centennial anniversary Feb. 13, 1805, and Ancient Land-mark Lodge of Portland has appointed one for its centennial June 10, 1806. Other lodges who have centennials coming are Oriental, Bridgton, March 12, 1904, Solar, Bath, Sept. 10, 1904, Orient, Thomaston, Sept. 10, 1905, St. George, Warren, March 10, 1906, Oxford, Norway, Sept. 14, 1907.

John B. Hudson.

Bro. John B. Hudson, formerly of Portland, died at his home in South Lincoln Mass., on Tuesday, Nov. 10. He suffered a stroke of paralysis ten days before his death. At first, he showed signs of improvement and recognized members of his family, but the improvement was only temporary and he soon began to fail, finally passing peacefully away. Bro. Hudson was the son of the late John B. Hudson, was born in Portland, Feb. 27, 1832, and the greater part of his long life of nearly 72 years, was spent in this city. He early developed talent as an artist, devoting himself chiefly to water color work, and making that his life occupation. He enlisted in the war of the Rebellion, and served as an officer in the First Maine Regiment. Bro. Hudson did a work for the city and state which has resulted in great good. He was the pioneer in the founding of the Maine School for the Deaf, and it was largely due to his efforts that this institution was established. Bro. Hudson was a thirty-second degree mason, and took a prominent part in the order. Possessed of a fine tenor voice, he was for a long time a member of the choir of the State street church. He also sang in other churches, and belonged to the masonic choir. Bro. Hudson leaves a wife, a daughter of the late Ira Berry, and three children, Mrs. Sanford Bray, Mrs. Walter Frederick

Morse, and Ira Berry Hudson. He is also survived by four sisters, Mrs. Sarah L. Everett, Mrs. F. H. Fassett and Mrs. Caroline C. Dupee of this city, and Mrs. William A. Sweet, of Syracuse, N. Y.

MINNESOTA.—The Grand Chapter Oct. 13th, elected John Fishel, of St. Paul, Gr. H. Priest, and Thomas Montgomery, of St. Paul, Gr. Secretary.

The Grand Council, Oct. 12th, elected Thomas G. Lee, of Minneapolis, G. Master, and Thomas Montgomery, of St. Paul, Gr. Recorder.

The Pope Manufacturing Co. favor us with their daily leaf calendar for 1904. It is very convenient for desk memoranda, and may be obtained by sending five 2-cent stamps to the Pope Manufacturing Company, Hartford, Conn., or to 143 Sigel street, Chicago, Illinois. They now manufacture automobiles in addition to bicycles.

Obituaries.

GEORGE SINSABAUGH, Deputy Grand Commander of California, died at Los Angeles, Aug. 2, 1903.

PETER JOHN FRELING, Grand Treasurer of the Grand Council of Kansas, died at Leavenworth, June 10th, aged 64 yrs., 7 mos.

OTTO C. BEELER, first Gr. Recorder of the Grand Council of Kansas, died in Leavenworth, July 28, 1903, aged 66.

W. R. SHAVER, Grand High Priest of Tennessee in 1887, died Oct. 11th, aged 66.

WILBUR F. BROMFIELD, Grand Master of the Grand Council of Illinois in 1874, and Grand Commander in 1886, died in Chicago, October 23, aged 63.

We received an invitation to the constitution of Cavite Lodge, at Cavite, Philippine Islands, November 24, 1903. It was chartered by the Grand Lodge of California.

The Oriental Consistory of Chicago gave a complimentary reception Thanksgiving night, to which we acknowledge with thanks, a kind invitation from Gil W. Barnard, Gr. Sec.

We have received a copy of the menu of the banquet to Martin Collins, Sov. G. Ins. Gen., at St. Louis, Nov. 20th, commemorating his 50th year as a mason.

Dr. Freeman C. Hersey, lately elected Grand Commander of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, is the Grand Representative of Maine, and was born in Corinth, Me., Dec. 11, 1843, graduated at Bowdoin, practiced in Pittsfield, was initiated in Pacific Lodge, Exeter, in January, 1867, exalted in Steven's Chapter at Newport in February 1878, and Knighted in St. John's Commandery, Bangor, June 1878.

We have received Christmas and New Years' greetings from Bros.

Charles E. Rosenbaum, 33°, Little Rock, Ark.

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

Wilbur F. Foster, P. G. Recorder, Nashville, Tenn.

A. M. Rambo, editor, Harrisburg, Pa.

Charles A. Conover, Gr. Sec., Coldwater, Mich.

Bro. Francisco L. Crosby, Lima, Peru.

The Grand Lodge of Maryland has elected Bro Jacob H. Medairy Grand Secretary emeritus with a continuation of salary for life, he being now 82 years old, and has elected William B. Isaac as Grand Secretary.

Grand Secretary Ehlers of New York, on November 25th, was knocked down by an electric car and rolled along under it for sixty feet. He was badly bruised so that he was confined to his bed for some days, but fortunately escaped without permanent injury.

Grand Master Orion P. Sperra of Ohio, is the Grand Representative of Maine, while Grand Master Burnham of Maine, is Grand Representative from Ohio.

Lincoln Lodge of Wiscasset, has increased its subscription to the *Token* to 33 copies. St. Aspinquid Lodge has also been added to the list. It is very pleasant to have this aid in sustaining the paper, as it is a heavy load.

Minnewaukon means The Devil's Lake. It is the name of the new chapter at Sedgwick.

Katahdin means The Highest Place.

Bro. William L. Elkins of Philadelphia, the railway man who died Nov. 7th leaving \$20,000,000, was the one who lately gave half a million dollars to build and endow a home for the daughters of masons. His age was seventy-one.

MASSACHUSETTS. The Grand Lodge Dec. 9th re-elected Baalis Sanford of Brockton Gr. Master, and Sereno D. Nickerson of Boston Gr. Secretary.

The Grand Chapter Dec. 8th re-elected Samuel F. Hubbard of Boston G. H. Priest, and J. Gilman Waite of Boston Gr. Sec.

The Grand Council Dec. 9th re-elected Forrest E. Barker of Worcester, Gr. Master, and J. Gilman Waite of Boston, Gr. Recorder.

THE OLD KENTUCKY HOME.

Kentucky! Kentucky!
I love your classic shades,
Where flit the fairy figures
Of the dark-eyed Southern maids!

Where the mocking-bird is singing
Mid the blossoms newly born!
Where the corn is full of kernels
And the colonels full of corn!

—[Truth.]

YULETIDE.

The skies are dark save for one splendid star,
That marked the manger where the young Child lay.

Far off I hear the surging of the sea,
The town's dull roar is stealing up to me,
Ere breaks the day.

I dream of palm trees swaying in the wind,
Of flocks that graze on far Judea's plain.
I weave the holly and the mistletoe,
And sweet old songs of Yuletide long ago
Sing in my brain.

The cuckoo calls the hour upon the wall,
The gates are shut—the lights are burning dim.
Though deep the snows are drifting on the world,
My tender lambs are safe within the fold,
Beloved of him.

Dreaming, I walk the way the Master trod.—
E'en I who may not touch His garment's hem.
This holy night, beneath the happy stars,
I cry to thee from out my casement bars,
O Bethlehem.

—[Robert Rexdael.]

French Freemasonry.

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the "Lodge of Labor and True, Faithful Friends" took place in a long, low hall, wherein the Grand Lodge of France holds its meetings. On the walls, painted a dull red, were sundry masonic banners the worse for wear. One of them is said to have been defiantly paraded on the walls of Paris during the siege. At the further end of the room was a raised platform whereon sat the Venerable or Master, behind an immense desk on which a mystical device was emblazoned in gold.

Nearly all the space on the left was taken up by a grand piano. Inferior dignitaries of the lodge, all wearing their sashes, were on his right. The audience sat on hard benches, most of which had no backs and were much pinched and straightened as to their padding. The room was nearly full when I arrived, and presented a goodly spectacle of backs curved in attitudes of deep attentiveness to a lecturer. The owners of the backs seemed to belong entirely to the "petite bourgeoisie"—clerks in rusty frock coats of archaic cut, intense school teachers with radical Socialism oozing out of every pore, and small tradesmen angular with small economies. Most of them had brought their wives, responsible and thrifty, in black, which, as everyone knows, is a lasting tint, well calculated to cover up the affronts of prolonged wear. They belonged to just that type of careful French womanhood which, at picnics, takes off its skirt and hangs it carefully on a tree, so that all the wear and tear may fall on the more necessary petticoat. There were children, too, good boys in first communion suits, and demure little girls in neutral frocks suggesting descent from the maternal wardrobe. Two or three young ladies in white, who had come to enliven the gathering with music, supplied the only cheerful note of color.

All through the lecture—it dealt with the history of French Freemasonry from the beginning, and seemed as if it would never reach the end—I watched the audience for some sign of weariness or inattention, but saw none. Men and women alike were deeply interested in the struggles of the brethren of the acacia against the Pope. Even the children forgot to fidget. A little girl heavy with sleep, fell off from her seat with a crash, and was reproved for inattention by a rapt mother. After the lecture came addresses by instructive brethren, interlarded with songs by the young ladies in white, and piano solos by a professional brother in full concert get up. The general effect of the entertainment was, to the outsider, ponderous. Yet the audience seemed to enjoy themselves, quietly but

firmly, and I left them to it, wondering how long a British gathering would have withstood such a strain.

This earnestness came home to me, on further acquaintance with French Freemasonry, as its most prominent feature. All the brethren burn, more or less, to put something right. They seldom banquet. Sometimes they go so far as to hold what they call a "fraternal punch." This usually means one or two glasses of the kind of champagne sold at three francs a bottle. For this sobriety the brethren compensate themselves by many speeches, which they find quite as effectual as much wine and rich meats in developing what M. Combes, a distinguished member of the order, happily called "la chaleur communicative des banquets." But for the most part these frivolities find no place in their program. The titles of some of the subjects discussed at ordinary meetings of the lodges are calculated to strike dismay into the unmasinic heart. "Esoterism, or the secret doctrines of the ancient priest," is sufficiently formidable, but even this pales its ineffectual fires before "The correlative evolution of patriotism and the consciousness of human rights." The advantages of a universal language, the administration of justice in the army, and the possibility of a general disarmament were among the lighter intellectual feasts spread before some of the Paris lodges last winter. Men who spend their evenings in mental wrestling of this kind are evidently not of the weak-kneed type.

French masons are, in fact, an army of enthusiasts. Many are firm believers in State Socialism. A few want French orthography to be straightened out. One of these reformers holds forth regularly in the *Revue Maconnique*, tells his readers that "l'histoire est pleine de mensonges," and alludes sarcastically to the military caste as "noblesse de cazerne." If there were any anti-vaccinationists or conscientious objectors in France they would surely be found in the masonic ranks. Dislike of the Roman Catholic Church is general, the idea being that the priest is just as much an emblem of despotism as the soldier and the monarch; and the masons will not have despots at any price, unless they happen to be anti-clerical ones. International arbitration has always been held in high esteem by the brethren. They have a keen sense of the horrors of war and the foolishness of allowing oneself to be killed because two rulers have quarrelled.

This makes them all strong Republicans, for they argue, a Republican cannot be drawn into war without the consent of the great majority of the people, whereas a monarchy may make war solely to further the ambitious designs of its sovereign, whether his subjects like it or not. Two Napoleons in one century they consider are quite enough. An "entente cordiale" with England would suit their ideas admirably. This is not without importance in view of the fact that the present ministry includes seven masons (MM. Combes, Delcasse, Pelletan, Doumergue, Trouillot, Maugeot, and Berare.)

The only prominent ministers who do not "possess the light" are M. Rouvier and General Andre, who is nevertheless constantly and erroneously referred to in the opposition journals as "le F. Andre."

It is by no means easy to form a correct estimate of the weight of Freemasonry in the French political scale. Numerically, the Order is not very formidable. About a year ago the Secretary of the Grand Orient, or French Rite, estimated its numbers

at twenty-two thousand. The Scottish Rite, including the Grand Lodge of France, is about three thousand strong, so that if these, the best available figures, are correct, the total number of active Freemasons in France is only twenty-five thousand. Financially there is still less to boast of. The Grand Orient owns its headquarters in the Rue Cadet, but few lodges have any reserve fund or any appreciable balance in hand at the end of the year. As for the Grand Lodge, its expenditure for the whole year does not reach £900.

On the other hand if we are to believe M. Bonnardot, the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of France, the Grand Orient has a campaign fund which it uses at election times. The masonic dignitaries in Paris pay frequent visits to the Ministries to press the claims of masons in all ranks of the public service for promotion or redress against the tyranny of superiors. Many provincial lodges keep watch over the doings of political adversaries, and harass officials tainted with clericalism. Functionaries and military officers of humble origin become masons as the surest way of hastening their advancement. One lodge in particular, is credited with having a great deal to say in the selection of candidates for colonial appointments. Ambitious civilians join in the hope of obtaining a "pull." All this undeniably points to the existence of political influence, but it would be a great mistake to regard the Grand Orient as a sort of Tammany Hall. M. Waldeck Rousseau, when Premier, was glad to avail himself of the masonic organization, but he certainly did not allow the Grand Orient to dictate his policy. The truth is that the vast majority of masons are unpaid soldiers in the service of the "idee laïque." The order is a political force but not a political machine.

There is a good deal of Republican simplicity about the masonic leaders. However fond they may be of influence and wire-pulling, they do not seem to make money out of it. M. Desmons, the President of the Grand Orient (the title of Grand Master was abolished as undemocratic some years ago), is a retired protestant pastor, and lives very quietly on his salary as a senator. His principal lieutenants are deputies, who also depend largely on their parliamentary pay. M. Bonnardot, the head of the Grand Lodge of France, is generally to be found at work in a small office in the Passage St. Marc, where he carries on the profession of an accountant. His most cherished project is the reform of the debt-collecting system, and he has distinguished himself by bringing up a family of thirteen children. His two deputy Grand Masters are barristers.

The generals, officers and soldiers of the Masonic army are almost exclusively drawn from the lower middle classes. At present it contains comparatively few artisans or workmen, but there is a strong tendency to cut down fees to the lowest possible point, ignore ritual, and virtually throw Freemasonry open to all comers, with the object of eventually bringing every class of the democracy into the order. Some of the more advanced spirits are anxious to enlist the support of the weaker sex. This alone is required, they say, to make Freemasonry more powerful than the Roman Catholic Church. For this reason they support an "obedience" called the *Droit Humain*, which admits both men and women. Its ritual is similar to that of the Scottish Rite, and it is attracting recruits from regular lodges. There is every probability that, sooner or later, the *Droit Humain* will be recognized by one, if not both, of the ex-

isting organizations, and then the feminine Freemason will no longer be a rarity. The objection that a woman cannot keep a secret will be overcome by abolishing the secrecy, and French Freemasonry will become a powerful social and political league, entirely divorced from ancient principles of the Craft.—[London Post.

Our Thanks.

ALABAMA.—Grand Lodge, Dec. 1, 1903, from Geo. A. Beauchamp, Montgomery, G. Sec. Robert J. Redden, Sulligent, Gr. M. 397 lodges, 14,340 members, 1353 initiates.

CANADA.—Gr. Lodge, July 15, 1903, from Hugh Murray, Hamilton, Gr. Sec. John E. Harding, Lindsay, G. M. 375 lodges, 30,485 members, 2761 initiates.

COLORADO.—Gr. Lodge Sept 15, 1903, from Wm. D. Todd, Denver, G. Sec. Jas. R. Killian, Denver, G. M. 101 lodges, 10,001 members, 730 initiates.

DELAWARE.—Grand Lodge Oct. 7, 1903, from Benj. F. Bartram, Wilmington, Gr. Sec. Charles H. Maull, Lewes, G. M. 22 lodges, 2504 members, 140 initiates.

IDAHO.—Gr. Lodge Sept. 8, 1903, from Theo. W. Randall, Boise, G. Sec. Joshua M. Cowen, G. M. 1698 members, 169 initiates.

ILLINOIS MASONIC ORPHANS' HOME, 19th annual and last report from Gil W. Barnard, Chicago, Gr. Sec. Oct. 5, 1903. It now passes under the management of the Grand Lodge.

ILLINOIS.—Gr. Lodge Oct. 6, 1903, from J. H. C. Dill, Bloomington, G. Sec. Wm. B. Wright, Effingham, G. M. 729 lodges, 66,621 members, 5759 initiates.

Grand Chapter Oct. 29, 1903, from Gil W. Barnard, Chicago, G. Sec. Robert L. McKinley, Paris, G. H. P. 186 chapters, 20,295 members, 1821 exalted.

Grand Council Oct. 28, 1903, from Gil W. Barnard, Chicago, G. Rec. A. M. Halliwell, Jacksonville, G. M. 3561 members, 357 candidates.

Grand Commandery Sept. 1, 1903, from Gil W. Barnard, Chicago, G. Rec. Alonzo S. Wilderman, Belleville, G. Com. 68 commanderies, 10,906 members, 1005 knighted.

INDIAN TERRITORY.—Grand Lodge Aug. 13, 1903, from Joseph S. Murrow, Atoka, Gr. Sec. Philip D. Brewer, So. McAlester, G. M. 124 lodges, 4994 members, 461 initiates.

IOWA.—Grand Commandery, July 7-10, 1903, from David M. Brownlee, Sioux City, G. Rec. John W. Wells, Marshalltown, G. Com. 58 commanderies, 5121 members, 405 knighted.

KENTUCKY.—Gr. Lodge Oct. 20, 1903, from Henry B. Grant, G. Sec., Louisville. Owen D. Thomas, Lebanon, Gr. M. 479 lodges, 23,547 members, 2,345 initiates.

NEW YORK.—Gr. Comd'y, Sept. 1, 1903, from Arthur McArthur, Troy, G. R. Chas. D. Bingham, Watertown, G. Com. 60 commanderies, 14,931 members, 1,713 knighted.

NOVA SCOTIA.—Gr. Lodge, June 10, 1903, from Thomas Mowbray, Halifax, Gr. Sec. Hon. Wm. Ross, Halifax, G. M. 64 lodges, 3,882 members, 345 initiates.

OHIO.—Gr. Lodge Oct. 28, 1903, from Jacob H. Bromwell, Cincinnati, Gr. Sec. Orion P. Sperra, Ravenna, G. M. 55,065 members, 4,444 raised.

Gr. Chapter Oct. 14, 1903, from Edwin Hagenbach, Urbana, Gr. Sec. Owen B. Hannan, Cleveland, G. H. P. 155 chapters, 19,527 members, 1,730 exalted.

Gr. Commandery Oct. 7, 1903, from John

N. Bell, Dayton, Gr. Recorder. Thomas Kite, Cincinnati, Gr. Com. 59 commanderies, 10,454 members, 824 knighted.

VERMONT.—Council of Deliberation 1903, from Henry H. Ross, Burlington, Gr. Sec. Marsh O. Perkins, Deputy. 361 members. It contains a biography of Bro. J. H. Drummond, with two pictures of him, one taken in the 60s and one in the 90s.

Supreme Council Northern Jurisdiction Sept. 23, 1903, from James H. Coddington, N. York, Gr. Sec. Gen. Henry L. Palmer, Milwaukee, Sov. G. Com. 37,278 members, 4,381 initiates. Millard F. Hicks, of Portland, was made an active member from Maine. The permanent fund was \$265,028.13. Receipts \$56,610.33. Expenses, \$22,839.81.

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.

GEORGE FRANKLIN CLIFFORD, in Cornish, Oct. 21, aged 59 yrs. 11 mos. Born in Newfield, Nov. 8, 1841, a son of Judge Nathan Clifford. Formerly a member of Portland Commandery.

CALEB G. MOFFITT, in Rockland, Oct. 24, aged 79 yrs. 6 m. 7 d. A leading citizen, Mayor for two years, and a member of Claremont Commandery.

JOHN H. CARD, in Deering, Oct. 29, aged 46.

GEORGE S. HAY, in Portland, Oct. 30, aged 92 yrs. 3 mos. 16 days. He was born in Baldwin, July 14, 1811, and was initiated in Ancient Landmark Lodge, Portland, Aug. 13, 1852. He was the eldest member, although Josiah Pierce, Jr., initiated Aug. 4, 1852, is still living, but not a member.

JOHN WENTWORTH, in Kittery, Nov. 4, aged 72. A member of Naval Lodge.

GEORGE W. COBB, in Falmouth, Nov. 16, aged 70. A member of Temple Lodge of Westbrook. He died suddenly of heart disease.

JOHN B. HUDSON, in South Lincoln, Mass., Nov. 10, aged 71 yrs. 8 mos. 11 days. (See editorial.)

ESREFF H. BANKS, in Biddeford, Nov. 27, aged 79. He was formerly State Treasurer, was a bank president, a leading and valued citizen.

H. R. HINKLEY, in Bowdoinham, Nov. 26, aged 68. A member of Village Lodge.

GEORGE A. GORHAM, in Houlton, Nov. 30, aged 58. A member of Monument Lodge. Cashier of Farmer's National Bank.

JOHN C. LANDER, in Gardiner, Dec. 12, aged 60. He was a past master of Adoniram Council. FORDYCE B. PERKINS, in Kennebunkport, Dec. 14, aged 65. A member of Arundel Lodge and a retired sea-captain.

DAVID FRANKLIN CORSER, in Portland, Dec. 30, aged 68 yrs. 11 mos. 16 days. He was for forty years connected with the Grand Trunk Railway and later President of the J. J. Gerrish Co. He was a member of Atlantic Lodge, Greenleaf Chapter, Portland Council, and Portland Commandery.

OSMOND A. HOLMES, in Addison Dec 30. He was postmaster, town clerk, secretary of Tuscan Lodge, and had been District Deputy Grand Master. He was also a member of St. Elmo Commandery, at Machias.

ALEXANDER TEAGUE, in Damariscotta, Jan. 6. He was a member of Alna Lodge, E. B.

French Chapter and Dunlap Commandery. He was a mail clerk.

CYRUS S. WITHAM, in East Raymond, Jan. 1, aged 33. A member of Cumberland Lodge of New Gloucester, of which he was late Senior Warden.

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