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YULETIDE.

The skies are dark save for one splendid star
That marks the manger where the Christ-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 wold,
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 Rexdale.]

MASONRY IN MAINE.

Lodge Elections.

Liberty, 111, Liberty. Edgar E Tasker, Freedom R F D, m; Clayburn H Wellington, sw; Theodore E Rowell, jw; Ambrose P Cargill, sec.

Molunkus, 165, Sherman Mills. Lewis E Jackman, m; Thawney S Robinson, sw; Charles S Emery, jw; Verdi Ludgate, sec.

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Maine, 20, Farmington. Samuel O Tarbox, Jr., m; H Burton Voter, sw; Fred G Paine, jw; Geo B Cragin, sec.

Blue Mountain, 67, Phillips. Carl E Cragin, m; Cony M Hoyt, sw; Colby B Whittemore, jw; Daniel F Hoyt, sec.

Oxford, 18, Norway. Herbert F Andrews, m; George L Curtis, sw; Harry R Farris, Oxford, jw; Howard D Smith, sec.

Blazing Star, 30, Rumford Falls. Rainsford Price, m; Clifford H Rawley, sw; Jas B Stevenson, jw; Walter O Raynes, sec.

Nollesemic, 205, Millinocket. Frederick C Bagley, m; Arthur J Walsh, sw; William E Glen, jw; George H Marden, sec.

Keystone, 80, Solon. Mottier L French, m; Ernest L Paul, sw; Elmer W York, jw; Perry S Longley, sec.

Dirigo, 104, Weeks' Mills. George M Crommett, m; Eugene C Rowe, sw; Welcome S Reed, jw; Orren F Sproul, sec.

Village, 26, Bowdoinham. Edward L White, m; Milton Given, sw; Albion H Hillman, jw; Frank H Purinton, sec.

Saint Paul's, 82, Rockport. Frank A Campbell, m; Mortimer T Hill, sw; Carleton W Steward, jw; L Henry Lovejoy, sec.

Warren Phillips, 186, Cumberland Mills. Isaac A Bailey, m; Herbert S Hudson, sw; John G Boody, jw; Almon N Waterhouse, sec.

Quantabacook, 129, Searsmont. Locksley T Ness, m; Lucien H Thomas, sw; Llewellyn Lincoln, jw; Allen L Maddocks, sec.

Amity, 6, Camden. George E Allen, m; Charles G Weaver, sw; Charles C Pullen, jw; Henry L Maker, sec. Publicly installed November 1st; 275 present.

Hiram, 180, South Portland. Josiah F Cobb, m; Sherman G Willard, sw; Clarence E Turner, jw; George H Weeks, Knightville, sec.

Portland, 1, Portland. Chas E Gurney, m; Theo S Johnson, sw; Arthur W Read, jw; George F Gould, sec.

Davis, 191, Strong. Leslie A Vining, m; Ulysses G Weymouth, sw; Philip D Stubbs, jw; Percival W Mason, sec.

Pine Tree, 172, Mattawamkeag. Virgil W Hobbs, m; Lester J Kyle, sw; Warren S Coombs, jw; George W Smith, sec.

Star in the East, 60, Old Town. Frank L Penney, m; Dana W Libby, sw; Samuel J Harris, jw; Fred J Whiting, sec.

Temple, 25, Winthrop. Herbert E Foster, m; Will E Hayward, sw; Geo M Foster, jw; Levi E Jones, sec.

Pleasant River, 163, Brownville. Levi F Johnson, m; Wm R Howard, sw; Geo H Gallagher, jw; Frank A Cousins, Henderon, sec.

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Morning Star, 41, Litchfield. Henry F Woodard, m; Ralph W Goss, sw; Charles H Allen, jw; Roscoe L Bosworth, sec.

Moses Webster, 145, Vinalhaven. Harry L Sanborn, m; Edgar H Bradstreet, sw; Benj K Smith, jw; Wm J Davidson, sec.

Ancient Land-Mark, 17, Portland. Millard F Hicks, m; Joseph B Reed, sw; Harry S Boyd, jw; John S Russell, sec.

Bethlehem, 35, Augusta. Willis E Swift, m; George C Libby, sw; Geo M Ryder, jw; Charles D White, sec.

Piscataquis, 44, Milo. Chas M Farrar, m; Vernon K Gould, sw; Peter K Holmes, jw; Frank E Monroe, sec.

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Solar, 14, Bath. Henry R White, m;

Sylvester H Rowland, sw; Herbert L Hall, jw; Albert L Strout, sec. Membership 243; average attendance 32. Dues uncollected \$6.

Granite, 182, West Paris. Chas F Barden, m; Millard Emmons, sw; John E Brock, jw; Leonard B Swan, sec.

Messalonskee, 113, Oakland. Thomas E Johnson, m; Henry E Hunton, sw; Fred H Leech, jw; Orestes E Crowell, sec.

Seaside, 144, Boothbay Harbor. Lincoln M Harris, m; Lyman P Orne, sw; Russell V Matthews, jw; Henry L Perkins, sec.

Euclid, 194, Madison. Irvin L Russell, m; James M Spence, sw; Ernest H Ward, jw; Daniel M Nichols, sec.

United, 8, Brunswick. James H Fisk, m; Samuel B Furbish, sw; Samuel L Forsaith, jw; Henry C Upton, sec.

Hancock, 4, Castine. Edward H Carpenter, m; Frank E Rea, sw; William J Patterson, jw; Charles H Hooper, sec.

Sebasticoock, 146, Clinton. Julian M Estes, m; Arthur F Roundy, sw; Perley L Cotton, jw; Charles P Loder, sec.

Cumberland, 12, New Gloucester. Geo P Cushman, W Pownall, m; John G Davis, Empire, sw; Chester E Chipman, jw; Lewis E Jordan, R F D, sec.

Day Spring, 107, West Newfield. Walter W Symes, m; Thomas Bond, sw; George T Wilson, jw; Luther E Sanborn, Maplewood, sec.

Olive Branch, 124, Charleston. Clarence H Dyer, m; Melvin F Martin, sw; George W Bagley, jw; Oscar L Smith, sec.

Washington, 37, Lubec. Edward E Tre-cartin, m; Geo E Boynton, sw; Thomas G Mitchell, jw; Walter A. Harriman, sec.

Atlantic, 81, Portland. Elmer A Doten, m; Will Horton Adams, sw; Albert E Cornish, jw; Daniel W Fox, sec.

Harmony, 38, Gorham. B Harry Elkins, m; Frank E Hoyt, sw; Geo S Burnell, jw; Edward W Guptill, sec.

Crescent, 78, Pembroke. Fred L Gardner, Dennysville, m; Stephen W Smith, W Pembroke, sw; Lorrimer McGlaflin, West Pembroke, jw; Eugene S Wilbur, W Pembroke, sec.

Kenduskeag, 137, Kenduskeag. Albert Hodsdon, m; Frank B Thurston, sw; Fred W Perkins, jw; John H Everett, sec.

Caribou, 170, Caribou. Heber H Whitney, m; Kay N L Brown, sw; David E Johnson, sw; Arthur A Garden, sec.

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

Mt. Tir'em, 132, Waterford. Bertrand G McIntire, m; Anthus J Simpson, sw; Edgar L Stone, jw; Isaac F. Jewett, sec.

Alna, 43, Damariscotta. Wilmoth H

Hewey, m; Robert K Tukey, sw; Harvey E Winslow, jw; Walter M Barstow, sec.

Bar Harbor, 185, Bar Harbor. A Stroud Rodick, m; Albert L Morgan, sw; Arthur W Brown, jw; Benj L Hadley, sec.

Temple, 86, Westbrook. Frank W Spring, m; Edwin T Mayberry, sw; Edwin J Laverty, jw; Oliver A Cobb, sec.

Siloam, 92, Fairfield. Carl C Piper, m; W Frank Choate, sw; Herbert O Brown, jw; Eugene C. Herring, sec.

Adoniram, 27, Limington. Everett J Pattee, m; Warren W Ford, sw; Oliver R Christie, jw; James F Pillsbury, sec.

Augusta, 141, Augusta. Winfred A Jackson, m; George F Giddings, sw; Ernest L McLane, jw; Claude W Townsend, sec.

Mosaic, 52, Foxcroft. Eugene S Genthner, m; Elmer D Merrill, sw; Victor L Warren, jw; James T Roberts, Dover, sec.

Arion, 162, Goodwin's Mills. Alonzo E Day, m; Oscar G Hanson, West Kennebunk, sw; Ralph B Jellerson, jw; J Burton Roberts, sec.

Mystic, 65, Hampden. John C Rollins, m; Martin K Pomroy, sw; Charles E Lawrence, jw; George V L Haskell, sec.

King David's, 62, Lincolnville. Clarence P Griffin, m; Walter S Alexander, sw; Edward Goodwin, jw; Leslie D Ames, sec.

Waterville, 33, Waterville. Norman K Fuller, m; George W Townsend, sw; Sanger Annis, jw; Charles B Davis, sec.

Crooked River, 152, Bolster's Mills. Russell C Edwards, m; George D Skillings, sw; Harry I Lowell, jw; Charles E Akers, sec.

Felicity, 19, Bucksport. Frederick M Mooney, m; Leland B Lowell, sw; Wm R Beazley, jw; Frederick Wood, sec.

Warren, 2, East Machias. Carl G. Wiswell, m; James R Talbot, sw; Chas P Denison, jw; C Hollis White, sec.

Benevolent, 87, Carmel. Everett S Ward, m; Wm G Clapham, sw; Dan'l A Blagden, jw; Camillus K Johnson, sec.

Aroostook, 197, Blaine. Howard Pierce, m; Edmund W Hunter, sw; Judson C Burt, jw; John M Ramsay, sec.

Freeport, 23, Freeport. Horace P Rowe, m; Clarence E Hodsdon, sw; Roscoe Dwyer, jw; Ernest E Pinkham, sec.

St. Croix, 46, Calais. John R Trimble, m; Wm E Mann, sw; Herbert F Beck, jw; Isaac N Jones, sec.

Drummond, 111, Parsonsfield. Alonzo J Moulton, m; John A Leavitt, sw; Francis C Milliken, jw; Albert R Leavitt, sec.

Yorkshire, 170, North Berwick. Fred H Brackett, m; James S Hussey, sw; Leslie Brackett, jw; Brainard S Drake, sec.

St. Croix, 11, Calais. Isaac N Jones, tim; John F Oliver, dm; William E Mann, pcw; Stedhen D Morrell, sec.

Chapter Elections.

Saint George's, 45, Liberty. Lucius C Morse, hp; Edgar E Tasker, k; Claburn H Wellington, sc; Ambrose P Cargill, sec.

Winthrop, 37, Winthrop. Chas W Crosby, Kent's Hill, hp; Edward R Jones, k; Clarence P Rowell, sc; Levi E Jones, sec.

Drummond, 27, Oakland. Horace W Greeley, hp; George F Allen, k; I Russell Clark, sc; Orestes E Crowell, sec.

Pentecost, 55, Boothbay Harbor. Geo A Gregory, hp; J Edward Knight, k; Thaddeus L Montgomery, sc; Henry L Perkins, sec.

Cumberland, 35, Yarmouth. James E Bradley, hp; Clarence E Hodsdon, k; Fred. H Dole, sc; Aug H Humphrey, sec.

Mount Vernon, 1, Portland. William W Andrews, hp; Herbert W Sears, k; Eugene C Smith, sc; John S Russell, sec.

Eagle, 11, Westbrook. George H Knowlton, hp; Benjamin Horsfall, k; William M Taylor, sc; Harlan P Babb, sec.

Crescent, 26, Pembroke. James Abernethy, hp; Fred L Gardner, k; Ivanhoe C Bryant, sc; Eugene S Wilbur, West Pembroke, sec.

Piscataquis, 21, Foxcroft. Ralph W Hughes, hp; Osgood P Martin, k; C H Norton, sc; James T Roberts, Dover, sec.

Oriental, 30, Bridgton. Willis E Mariner, hp; Clifford C Smith, k; Frank P Davis, sc; Millard M Caswell, sec.

Hancock, 19, Bucksport. Calvin O Page, hp; Daniel R Cowey, k; Ashur B Hutchins, Orland, sc; Frederick Wood, sec.

Mt. Kebo, 50, Bar Harbor. James M Shea, hp; Wm Quimby, k; Oscar D Wentworth, sc; Benj L Hadley, sec.

Steyens, 28, Newport. Jesse G Waters, hp; Marcellus P White, k; Ellis Jones, sc; Wm H Mitchell, sec.

King Solomon's Temple, 8, Rockland. Rodney I Thompson, hp; James A Richan, k; Lorenzo E Moulton, sc; Leonard H Snow, sec.

Aurora, 22, Cornish. L Murray Watkins, hp; Henry I Hill, k; Le Roi S Syphers, sc; Leon M Ayer, sec.

St. Croix, 17, Calais. Edward Chase, Baring, hp; Jason C Davis, k; Lemuel Brehaut, sc; Stephen D Morrell, sec.

Council Elections.

Westbrook, 15, Westbrook. Benj Horsfall, South Windham, tim; Oscar G K Robinson, dm; C Omer Porter, pcw; Oliver A Cobb, sec.

King Hiram, Rockland. Jas A Richan, tim; Albert H Newbert, dm; Frank C Flint, pcw; Edward K Gould, sec.

Mt. Moriah, 16, Skowhegan. Rupert E Jackson, tim; John C Griffin, dm; De Forest H Perkins, pcw; Wm R G Estes, sec.

Commandery Elections.

Pilgrim, 19, Farmington. Daniel B Belcher, com; James Morrison, gen; Burton A Davenport, c gen; George B Cragin, sec.

De Molay, 10, Skowhegan. J Wallace Blunt, com; David A Haig, gen; Frank W Bucknam, c gen; William R Elliott, sec.

Maine, 1, Gardiner. Frederick D Loring, com; Sidney G Decker, gen; Jas B Keene, c gen; Edwin S Lincoln, sec.

St. Alban, 8, Portland. Arthur B Hodsdon, com; Wingate C Titcomb, gen; Chas H Small, c gen; William N Howe, sec.

Claremont, 9, Rockland. Frank C Flint, com; William F Manson, gen; Arthur S Littlefield, c gen; Chas E Meservey, sec.

Oriental, 22, Bridgton. David Eugene Chaplin, com; David C Saunders, gen; F P Davis, c gen; Frank P Bennett, sec.

St. Elmo, 18, Machias. Ephie B Farnsworth, com; Herbert A Bowker, gen; Elmer E Bowles, c gen; Thos G Albee, sec.

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Greenleaf Chapter—Franklin R. Redlon.

Portland Commandery—S. Colman Allen.

St. Alban Commandery—Albro E. Chase.

Chairman—Stephen Berry.

Sec. and Treas.—Leander W. Fobes.

Dunlap Commandery of Bath and Lewiston of Lewiston have accepted an invitation to go to Rumford Falls June 24th as guests of Strathglass Commandery.

Lygonia and Esoteric Lodges of Ellsworth have consolidated.

There is no lodge or chapter centennial in Maine for 1908, but that of Felicity Lodge, No. 19, of Bucksport, comes March 14, 1909, so it will have to be moving about it this year, and before May if it proposes to invite the Grand Lodge and have it accept by vote at the annual meeting

Claremont Commandery of Rockland is planning to have a reunion of its daughter commanderies June 24th, by inviting Palestine of Belfast, De Valois of Vinalhaven, and Camden of Camden to join it on that day.

Our Masonic Exchanges.

Ashlar, Detroit, Michigan, monthly, 25 c. Canadian Craftsman, Toronto, Ontario, monthly, \$1.

Eastern Star, Indianapolis, Indiana, monthly, \$1.

Eastern Star Journal, Grand Rapids, Michigan, monthly, 50 cents.

Freemason, The, Toronto, Ont., Canada, monthly, 50 cents.

Globe, The, Gravette, Arkansas, monthly, 25 cents.

Ideal Masonico, Sancti Spiritus, Cuba, monthly, \$1.

Journal of the Acacia Fraternity, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Lodge Record, Benson, Minnesota, monthly, 25 cents.

Los Angeles Freemason, Los Angeles, Cal., monthly, \$1.

Masonic Advocate, Indianapolis, Indiana, monthly, \$1.

Masonic Constellation, St. Louis, Mo., monthly, \$1.

Masonic Chronicler, Chicago, Ill., weekly, \$1.

Masonic Herald, Rome, Georgia, monthly, \$1.

Masonic Light, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, monthly, \$1.50.

Masonic Northern New Yorker, Whitehall, N. Y., monthly, 50 cents.

Masonic News, Peoria, Ill., monthly, \$1.

Masonic Observer, Minneapolis, Minnesota, weekly \$1.

Masonic Review, Tacoma, Washington, monthly, \$1.

Masonic Review, Johannesburg, South Africa, monthly, \$5.
 Masonic Standard, New York, N. Y., weekly, \$2.
 Masonic Sun, Toronto, Ont., monthly, \$1.
 Masonic Voice and Review, Chicago, Ill., monthly, \$1.50.
 New England Craftsman, Boston, Mass., monthly, \$2.
 New Zealand Craftsman, Wellington, New Zealand, monthly, 10s. = \$2.50.
 Palestine Bulletin, Detroit, Mich., monthly, 50 cents.
 Scottish Rite Bulletin, Louisville, Kentucky, monthly, 50 cents.
 Square and Compass, Denver, Colorado, monthly, \$1.
 Tennessee Mason, Nashville, Tennessee, monthly, \$1.
 Texas Freemason, San Antonio, Texas, monthly, \$1.
 Trestle Board, San Francisco, California, monthly, \$1.
 Tyler-Keystone, Ann Arbor, Mich., semi-monthly, \$2.
 Virginia Masonic Journal, Richmond, Virginia, monthly, \$1.
 What Cheer Trestleboard, Providence, R. I., monthly, 50 cents.

The Maine Farmers' Almanac for 1908 is received, and 10 cents to the publishers, Charles E. Nash & Son, Augusta, will bring you a copy. It is leap year.

There will be a partial eclipse of the sun visible here, June 28th, at 10:19 morning, local time, or about 10 standard time. Also a Lunar Appulse Dec. 7th, at about 5 p. m. standard time, but that will not amount to anything, as the earth's shadow will not quite hit the moon.

Lent begins March 4th and Easter comes April 19th. Ascension Day is May 28th, and Decoration Day May 30th. Labor Day is Sept. 7th. July 4th comes on Saturday and Christmas on Friday.

FULL MOONS.

January 18,	8 h. 58 m. morning
February 17,	4 h. 26 m. morning
March 17,	9 h. 49 m. evening
April 16,	0 h. 16 m. evening
May 15,	11 h. 53 m. evening
June 14,	9 h. 16 m. morning
July 13,	5 h. 9 m. evening
August 12,	0 h. 20 m. morning
September 10,	7 h. 44 m. morning
October 9,	4 h. 24 m. evening
November 8,	3 h. 19 m. morning
December 7,	5 h. 5 m. evening

This table should be used for making lodge calendars, as August comes so near midnight that calendars for other states might throw them out a week.

Masonry in Ireland.

Bro. W. J. Chetwold Crawley, the well-known Irish masonic historian, says of Freemasonry in Ireland:

The Knights Templar were in full swing as a masonic order in Dublin in 1774; the Rose Croix degree has been continuously worked in Dublin since 1782. We have the original minutes of this latter body from that date, years before the degree was introduced into any other English-speaking country.

It is no wonder that Grand Lodge should have learned of their existence and their value during the century and a quarter that these degrees have lived in harmony with her.

We have over 12,000 subscribing masons in Ireland, embodied in small lodges of 25 to 50 members each. Very few exceed the latter limit, and several are under the former limit. From these the Royal Arch chapters are recruited, the candidates being at least six months registered as Master Masons, and usually much longer.

In the R. A. degree, which belongs to and is a part of the craft, it requires three black balls to exclude a Master Mason, just as in the latter sister jurisdictions of England and Scotland. But this is the only instance in which Ireland departs from the rule that one black ball excludes.

Our Royal Arch regulations require the Mark degree as a necessary preliminary, and confer the Excellent and Super-Excellent (or Tabernacle) degrees as the first stages of the R. A. degree proper. Then the Order of the Temple comes in our sequence of degrees, the candidates being at least two years registered Master Masons and Royal Arch Masons, as in preceding paragraph.

A striking peculiarity in our method is that the candidate himself does not make any application to a Preceptory (commandery). Such an application on his part would be taken as insolent, and would bar the way to his election.

The candidate is proposed without his knowledge, one black ball excludes, and if rejected it is held a point of honor to conceal the fact that the candidate has been proposed. He goes to his grave without knowing that his name has ever been before a Preceptory.

When a ballot is favorable, the name is sent forward for consideration by Great Priory (Grand Commandery), and is balloted for in due course. If again favorable, then, and not till then, is any intimation given to the candidate.

The Rose Croix (18 degrees, A. A. Rite) is recruited exclusively from Knights Templar, or, as it is briefly styled, the H. K. T. That is, High Knights Templar, the original style of the order when it is first met with in Ireland, more than 130 years ago.

The Rose Croix (18 degrees) came to Ireland a few years later and admitted none but H. K. T. to the Rose Croix degree. The condition has been exacted from all candidates from that day to this, so that the Order of the Temple is a condition precedent of the candidate for our Rose Croix Prince Masons.

Here again a single black ball excludes; here again the candidate elected is chosen from above, without his knowledge; here again his (personal) application would be considered a bar; here again the candidate elected by the subordinate chapter is submitted to ballot in the Parliament or Congress of the body, viz: the Grand Chapter of Prince Masons (Rose Croix) of Ireland.

Nor is it to be omitted that the candidate must be at least seven years a registered subscribing Master Mason. Now, if you have persevered so far in this dull summary you will understand how it comes about that there are barely four hundred Rose

Croix Prince Masons in Ireland, and how it is that the Eighteenth degree of the A. and A. Rite, worked after the Irish manner, is one of the dearest and most highly prized distinctions it is possible that an Irish Freemason can possess.—[Masonic Standard.]

A Lodge on a High Hill.

The only natural lodge room in the world, it is claimed, is on the summit of Owl's Head Mountain, at Lake Memphremagog, Canada. Here, in a great ravine, at an elevation of 2,480 feet above the level of the lake, situated due east and west and surrounded by massive rocks that afford perfect seclusion, is a lodge that seems as if hewn by the hand of nature for the use to which it is put. The rocks offer suitable watch-towers from which sentinels can readily observe the approach of eavesdroppers, should any by rare chance happen that way. In such a spot as this, with only the blue dome of heaven overhead and the impenetrable walls on all sides, masons of to-day imitate the habit of our ancient brethren, who, so tradition says, met in just such places to perform the ceremonies of the craft.

The spot is not easy of access. The ascent is difficult and at times hazardous, though at dangerous points, whenever a meeting of the brethren occurs, ropes are stretched for the climbers.

This unusual lodge room has been in use for half a century. Golden Rule Lodge, No. 5, of Stanstead, Quebec, was in 1857 granted a dispensation to open and hold a lodge once in every year on this mountain top, the first meeting being held July 24, 1857. The original dispensation for this purpose was granted by William M. Wilson, the first grand master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, and in 1869 the dispensation was endorsed and confirmed by John H. Graham, the first grand master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec. It is the only lodge in existence, it is claimed—and no doubt rightly so—that has a warrant for holding regular meetings on a mountain top.

Every year, we believe, for the past half century, Golden Rule Lodge has met in the summer in this romantic rendezvous. This year, on July 25, occurred the semi-centennial celebration of the unique event which started the custom, a special medal being struck to commemorate the occasion. The ascent was made in the forenoon and the lodge opened at 11 o'clock for the conferring of the third degree. Two hours later the brethren descended and partook of a basket picnic at the foot of the mountain, prepared by the ladies who accompanied the party.—[Tyler-Keystone.]

Announcement.

The Cincinnati Regalia Company, Cincinnati, Ohio, have now in press, a new masonic catalogue, No. 176, printed on the finest 100 pound white enameled paper. Each page 9x12 inches. An entire new line of illustrations. It will be one of the finest masonic catalogues ever printed. Ready for delivery Dec. 1, 1907. Mailed free to any lodge on application.

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—All the officers of a Dutch lodge are armed with dress swords, engraved with masonic emblems.—[Texas Freemason.]

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

GRAND LODGE OF MAINE.



ANNUAL MEETINGS.

The Masonic Grand Bodies in Maine will hold their Annual Sessions for 1908 at Masonic Hall in Portland, as follows:

Grand Lodge, Tuesday, May 5, at 9 o'clock A. M.
Grand Chapter, " " 5, at 7 o'clock P. M.
Grand Council, Wed'sdy, " 6, at 2 o'clock P. M.
Gr. Com'dery, Thursday, " 7, 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. 295, 296 and 297, proceedings 1907.

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, 1908.

The May number completed the fourth volume and 40th year of the Masonic Token. An illuminated title and index will soon be published and sent free to all who wish to bind it, and who will express the wish by postal or letter. Few have been asked for yet, but there must be some who have saved the volume.

We have some sets of volumes 2, 3, and 4, which we can supply in sheets for \$1.50 a volume.

We are indebted to Bro. Harry W. Gowen of Halifax, North Carolina, for his monograph on the story of the R. W. Joseph Mountfort, Provincial Grand Master of Masons of and for America, from Jan. 14, 1771, to March 29, 1776, his lodge and temple. A cut of the old temple is given, the oldest in the world he suggests. It is now a dilapidated old two-storied frame building. The narrative is interesting. He claims peculiar distinction for Joseph Mountfort because his commission was for all North America, while Price's was only for New England.

Past Commander Frederick C Thayer of Waterville has been appointed Representative of the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment for the 1st district, consisting of Mass. and Rhode Island and New Hampshire, and Past Grand Commander Freeman C. Hersey of Boston for the 2d district, consisting of Maine and Vermont.

Deputy Grand Commander John H Shaw, of Spokane, Washington, sends us a brush issued by his firm, Shaw & Borden, Printers and Stationers, as a Christmas gift. We thank him and will use it to brush dull care away.

We commend the work of "The Forester" of Washington, D. C., in seeking to preserve the Spruce forests. They are being chewed up too rapidly. But we do not see why old paper may not be used over again. It is difficult to get rid of it now, difficult even to burn it, there is such a quantity of it.

We are indebted to Prof. Edw. S. Morse of Salem, Mass., for his monograph of Prof. Jean Louis Rudolphe Agassiz, which has a peculiar value from the intimate acquaintance which Prof. Morse had with him as a pupil.

NEW CHRISTMAS, EASTER, Ascension and Burial Services for Knights Templar. A neat little cloth bound 12 mo. of 108 pages, published by the Macoy Publishing and Supply Co., 34 Park Row, New York City. Price 45 c. The services are the work of the Rev. Cornelius L. Twing and are excellent, like all his work.

Charles F. Livingston, of Manchester, N. H., the oldest printer in that state, and a 32d degree mason, celebrated his 89th birthday anniversary Oct. 16th.

The Grand Lodge of Kentucky has voted that no liquor manufacturer shall be accepted in any lodge.

We have received the third chain letter regarding the McKinley monument. It is a humbug and is not welcomed by Judge Day of the committee. The way to stop it is to break the chain, which we always cheerfully do with all chain letters.

Grand Secretary Russell G. Dyer, of the Grand Lode I. O. O. F. for Maine, reports 150 lodges, 24,676 members, and 1350 initiates for 1907.

The lodge at Belgrade, Servia, appeals to the masons of the world to contribute for building them a hall, "where a traveling craftsman crossing the road between the East and the West would find a brotherly shelter for his rest and strengthening to continue his journey." Ten dollars from each of the 19,000 lodges of the world would make it easy for them.

THE SOUTHERN SUPREME COUNCIL met in Washington Oct. 21st to 26th, every officer and all the 22 active members present. Gr. Commander Richardson reported 9343 initiates in Lodges of Perfection in the last two years. Admiral Schley was elected to the 33°. The next biennial session will be at Washington Oct. 18, 1909.

The Provincial Grand Lodge Royal Order of Scotland met in Washington Oct. 21st, and conferred the degree on 52 candidates.

The prevalence of bogus lodges makes it very important that each lodge should have a list of them and of the genuine lodges of the English-speaking world, and one can be obtained of the Pantagraph Co., Bloomington, Illinois, by sending 75 cents.

Holiday Greetings.

We have received Christmas and New Years' greetings, which we gratefully acknowledge, from Rev. Henry Warren Rugg, Providence, Grand Master Templars; Wm. B. Melish (and wife), Cincinnati, Dep. Gr. Master (containing his speech at the Triennial banquet). Wm. Henry Norris, Manchester, Iowa, G. Stand. Bearer. Dr. Jehiel W. Chamberliu, St. Paul, Minn., Gr. Sw. Bearer. Benj. Allen, Toronto, P. G. M. of Canada and Gr. Rep. Maine. Andrew P. Swanstrom, St. Paul, Minn., P. Gen. G. M. Gen. Gr. Council U. S. John N. Bell, Dayton, Ohio, Gr. Recorder. Newton R. Parvin, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, G. Sec. John Miller, Baltimore, Grand Recorder. S. C. Milbourne, N. York, G. Rep. G. Com. Me. Dr. William C. Mason, Bangor, Dep. Sup. Council for Maine. Chas. H. Collins, Toronto, Canada, Preceptor Cyrene Precapitory. Rufus Price, San Augustine, Texas.

Obituaries.

NOAH M. GIVAN, Grand Master of Missouri in 1878, Grand High Priest in the same year, Grand Master of the Council in 1875, Grand Commander in 1891, and long Gr. Treasurer of the Grand Chapter, died at St. Louis Oct. 3d. He was born in Indiana Dec. 1, 1840.

GANEM W. WASHBURN, Grand Master of Wisconsin in 1864, died in Oshkosh Oct. 7, aged 84.

MYRON REED, Grand Master of Wisconsin in 1888 and '89, died in Minneapolis Minn., Oct. 10th. He was born Sept. 16, 1836.

ROBERT E. WITHERS, Grand Master of Templars 1883-'85, died at Wytheville, Virginia, Sept. 21st, aged 86. He was born at Rock Castle Sept. 18, 1821. He was a Colonel in the Confederate service, and later Lieut.-Governor and U. S. Senator. He was Grand High Priest in 1871 and '72, and Grand Master 1881 and '82. He was Consul to Hong Kong from 1884 to 1889, and it was at his request that the Christmas Observance was adopted.

DAVID C. AVERY, Grand High Priest of Maryland in 1900, and Gr. Treasurer from 1904 until his death, died at Baltimore Sept. 18th. He was born at Ledyard, N. Y., April 6, 1844.

ELI HARRISON, SR., Gr. Master of British Columbia from 1878 to '81, died at Victoria Sept. 19th. He was born at Hurdsville, England, in September, 1824.

FREDERICK WEBBER, Secretary-General of the Southern Supreme Council, died at Washington Nov. 4th, aged 80. He was born in Cork, Ireland, June 1, 1827. He was buried in Louisville, Ky., his old home.

BENJAMIN F. BARTRAM, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Delaware since 1892, died at Wilmington Oct. 2d, aged 60.

SUMMERFIELD BERRY MEDAIRDY, Grand Commander of Maryland in 1904, died at his home near Mt. Washington Sept. 20th. He was born in Baltimore Jan. 11, 1861, and was a merchant. He was the son of Jacob H. Medairy, who was Grand Lecturer and Grand Secretary over fifty years, and was Senior Gr. Warden of the Grand Lodge in 1900.

GEORGE VAN VLIET, Grand Recorder of the Grand Council of New York for thirty-three years, died in New York City Nov. 1, aged 70. He was born in Plainfield, N. J., Sept. 16, 1837. He was Grand High Priest in 1877.

LUCIUS TYLER NOYES, Gr. Commander of Texas in 1897, died in Houston Oct. 27. He was born in Mystic, Conn., Sept. 4, 1845, during a visit there of his parents, and was in the Confederate navy and army during the civil war.

JOHN L. HILL, Gr. High Priest of Connecticut in 1900, died at Norwich Oct. 2d, in his 67th year. He was born in Mystic and served through the civil war in the 21st regiment.

ASA SMITH, Grand High Priest of Connecticut in 1863 and '64, died in New Haven Sept. 29th. He was born in Norwalk Oct. 23, 1829. He was also Grand Master in 1870.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE, Gr. High Priest of California in 1886, died in Santa Clara October 9th. He was born in Paris, Maine, Aug. 29, 1825, and went to California in 1849. He was miner, steamboat owner, lumberman and manufacturer, and served in the House and Senate.

MILTON HILLS MYRICK, Gr. High Priest of California in 1891, died in Campbell Sept. 20th. He was born in Paris, N. Y., May, 1826, became a printer and afterwards a lawyer and judge.

DANIEL CRANE ROBERTS, D. D., Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment 1901-04, died in Concord, N. H., Oct. 31st, aged 66. He was Grand Commander in 1894 and '95 and Correspondent in 1906.

ANTHONY SCHODER, Grand High Priest of New Jersey in 1897, died in Woodbridge June 12th. He was born in Bruchsal, Germany, June 4, 1831. He was a librarian.

WARREN FLETCHER SCOTT, Dep. Grand High Priest of Florida in 1884, died in Ferdinandina May 25th. He was born in Oswego Co., N. Y., Aug. 1, 1842.

WILLIAM HENRY MAYO, past Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment, died at St. Louis, Mo., suddenly, November 4th. He was born in Louisiana July 16, 1843. He was Grand Secretary of the Gr. Chapter of Missouri from 1878 to 1904, Grand Recorder of the Grand Council from 1878 to 1904, Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery from 1877 to 1905, and Gen. Gr. Master of the G. G. Council U. S. from 1900 to 1903. He was also a correspondent for many years.

HAMER H. GREEN, Grand Commander of Illinois in 1902, died at Bloomington Nov. 3d. He was born in Robinson Co., Ill., Dec. 31, 1854.

HUGH MURRAY, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Canada, died suddenly at Hamilton, Ontario, Nov. 28th. He was 65 years old and born in Paisley, Scotland, in 1843. He was Grand Master in 1884 and '85. He was Grand Treasurer from 1891 to 1903, and from 1903 was Grand Secretary.

JOSHUA B. THOMAS, Gr. Master of Missouri in 1894, died at Kansas City Nov. 15. He was born at Dunnville, Ky., June 18, 1849. He was Grand Treasurer of the Gr. Commandery, elected in May, 1907.

JOHN VALLERCHAMP, Grand Commander of Pennsylvania in 1868, died at Bloomsburg Oct. 8th. He was born at Roaring Creek March 12, 1833.

ROBERT BRUCE DONALDSON, Grand Master of the District of Columbia in 1869 and '70, died in Washington Nov. 22, 1907. He was born in Waterford, Va., Oct. 11, 1826. He manufactured many of the earliest telegraphic instruments in 1842.

GEORGE FREDERICK NEWCOMB, Grand Master of Manitoba in 1877 and '78, died Dec. 8, 1907.

JAMES HAMILTON CAPERS, Grand Commander of Virginia in 1879, died at Richmond Oct. 28. He was born in Georgia in 1834. He was a major in the Confederate service.

GEORGE H. BURNHAM, Grand Commander of Mass. and R. I. in 1885, died in Providence Dec. 10th. He was Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Rhode Island from 1868 to '76, was a writer on masonic subjects, and was a leader in Rhode Island masonry.

JOHN STEWART, Grand Master of New York in 1885 and '86, died, suddenly, Jan. 1st, in New York City. He was president of the Masonic Historical Society and had held many important positions. He was chairman of the building committee of the new masonic hall.

We regret to learn the death of the wife of Grand Secretary Edward M. L. Ehlers, of New York, Dec. 29th.

Bro. H. Wales Lines, Grand Treasurer of the Grand Encampment, was seriously injured Dec. 13th by being thrown from his buggy, but is recovering.

Medina Temple of the Mystic Shrine, of Chicago, on Christmas day gave dinners to 300 children. Dr. James B. McFatrik conceived the idea.

Leavitt's Farmer's Almanac for 1908, by Dudley Leavitt, is received from the publisher, Edson C. Eastman, Concord, N. H., the 112th year. Price 10 cents.

CHRISTMAS OBSERVANCE.—A large number of Templars met to celebrate Christmas in Portland. Abroad it was largely kept, Bro. Wm. James Hughan having published the invitation in the London Freemason of November 23d, so that notice was extended through England, South Africa, India, Ceylon and China, while in the Philippines and Hawaii the chain was completed around the world. Frater Wm. T. Perkins in Nome assembled his forces in the dark and chill of early morning, while Frater Francisco L. Crosby at Lima gathered his friends in golden summer-time. In the States the observance was general.

CHRISTMAS BEARS.

When Santa Claus, on Christmas eve,
Comes speeding o'er the roofs,
You will not hear the snow crust break
Beneath his reindeer hoofs,
Nor yet the ting-a-ling-a-ling,
That into music swells,
When Donner shakes his silver reins,
Or Blitzen rings his bells.

But from the Land of Sugar Plums,
In silence all the way,
St. Nick will guide across the snow
His treasure-laden sleigh,
And all along the frozen road,
And down the icy street,
Will come the soft and padded sound
Of clumsy little feet.

For though the Saint is growing old,
New fads delight his soul,
And he has left his antlered steeds
Behind him at the Pole,
Where o'er the fields of floating ice
The norther's trumpet blares,
And harnessed to his sleigh, instead,
A team of Teddy bears.

—[Minna Irving.]

The following lodges pay \$1, \$2 or \$3 a year, receiving 11, 22 and 33 copies of the *Token* respectively, to distribute to the members who are promptest in attendance:

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Ira Berry Chapter, Pittsfield,	22
Pioneer Lodge, Ashland,	11
Lincoln Lodge, Wiscasset,	33
St. Aspinquid Lodge, York Corner,	11
Olive Branch Lodge, Charleston,	11
What lodge shall be next added?	

Old Corner Stones.

Very terrible in its sinister significance is the custom of putting coins under the foundation stone of a building about to be erected. For these pieces of gold and silver and bronze are the latter day equivalents of the human beings that would once have been immolated there and there immured. They constitute the ransom for blood that by rights should be shed, but is not.

This latter terrible use was at one time well-nigh universal, and traces of it survive almost everywhere. In many parts of Europe, for instance, when the hole is dug to receive this same foundation stone, the mason will entice to the spot some stranger. Then while one engages him in conversation another will creep behind and measure his shadow, the measure stick being afterwards buried and mortar stamped down on top of it. Or they prepare a tiny coffin, inside of which is a doll, for use in the same way, or rude images of babies in swaddling clothes are similarly immured.

And in not a few out-of-the-way parts of the world, whose inhabitants stand psychologically about where we did twenty centuries ago, the original custom still prevails in all its primitive hideousness. Only last year at Mosdok in the Caucasus, three builders were arrested for kidnapping and murdering a lad, whose body they afterward built into the foundations of a tower they were erecting.

In 1865, two children, a boy and a girl, were similarly consigned to a living grave by some laborers working on a blockhouse at Duga, in Asiatic Turkey.

A house that was being built at Scutari became shaky. A "wise man" whose advice was sought decreed that the defect would increase unless a human victim were

walled into the foundations. So the three brothers who were working at it agreed among themselves to immolate and immure the first of their wives who came to the place to bring them food.

Similar instances might be multiplied indefinitely. In 1885, when Holsworthy church in Devonshire, England, was being restored a skeleton with a mass of mortar plastered over the mouth was found embedded in an angle of the building.

That the castle of Liebenstein might stand impregnable, a child was bought for hard cash of its mother and walled into the donjon tower.

A roll was given the little one to eat while the masons were at work and the unnatural parent stood by to quiet it in case it cried out. "Mother, I can see you," laughed the child when the wall was breast high. "Mother, I see a little of you still." Then, wailingly, "Mother, I see nothing of you now."

In the museum at Algiers is a plaster cast of the mold left by the body of one Geronimo, who was built into a block of concrete in the angle of the fort in the sixteenth century.—[*St. Louis Globe-Democrat.*]

SUPPLY AND DEMAND.—Within a radius of three miles from the center of Johannesburg, and serving a population numbering considerably under one hundred thousand, there are no less than forty-seven masonic lodges. Who could feel surprised to know that with so many work rooms going, the supply of material is sometimes short of the requirements. Already one lodge has decided to meet the times by reducing the initiation fee by about twenty per cent., and when others follow suit and a "rot" sets in, we shall not be surprised to see a poster on the door of their meeting place, announcing "Startling Reductions! All goods at less than English cost!! No reasonable offer refused!!!" And as the competition grows keener in consequence of the ever increasing number of people going into the business, we may yet see a "Limerick Competition, advertised as follows: "Send us twelve penny stamps, and we will confer the three degrees as a prize for the best line."

—[*Johannesburg Masonic Review.*]

Masonry in Brazil.

There is an English lodge in San Paulo, Brazil, called the Lodge of Unity, No. 8, under the Grand Orient of San Paulo, receiving its charter from the Grand Orient of Brazil. The lodge was founded in 1902 by a few earnest brethren, and has steadily grown until it now numbers about fifty brethren. It is one of two lodges, the only two in Brazil working in English and under the York Rite. The other lodge is Eureka No. 3, of Rio de Janeiro, to which lodge "the Unity" is greatly indebted for brotherly help and instruction. A third lodge is soon to be started in the neighboring town of Santos, being formed by some brothers of Lodge No. 8, who live in that city and who have been in the habit of regularly attending the communications. Its name will be "The Wanderers."—[*The Freemason, London, England.*]

BANNER BEARER.—The name of an officer known in the higher degrees in the French Rite. One who has in trust the banner; similar in station to the Standard Bearer of a Grand Lodge, or of a Supreme Body of the Scottish Rite.—[*Encyclopedia of Freemasonry*—McClenachan.]

First Known Use of the Word Freemason.

The following is from "A description of of Leicestershire," by Wm. Burton, 1622:

"Woodhouse, so called for that it stood upon the skirt of Clarnwood Forest * * in this place Henry Beaumont, Earl of Bougban, built here a very faire and stately Chappell or Ashlar Stone, 1338, 13 Ed. III. It was againe repaired in the 28 of Henry the Sixt, for I have seene a Deede of Covenants made between Robert Farnham of Quardon of the one part and a certaine free-Mason, for the new building of the Steeple, and the repaire of the new Church dated the said 28th Henry the Sixt. It was then glazed and repaired as I should guesse by the armies of King Henry the Sixt, standing in the East window of the Chappell."

—[*Ars Quatuor Coronatorum.*]

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Our Thanks.

Grand Encampment, 30th Triennial, July 9-11, 1907, at Saratoga, from John A. Gerow, Detroit, Mich., Gr. Recorder. Rev. Henry W. Rugg, Providence, R. I., Grand Master.

ALABAMA.—Grand Lodge, Dec. 3, 1907, from Geo. A. Beauchamp, Montgomery, G. Sec. Hugh S. D. Mallory, Selma, Gr. M. 465 lodges, 19,965 members, 2122 initiates.

COLORADO.—Gr. Chapter, Sept. 19, 1907, from Chas. H. Jacobson, Denver, Gr. Sec. William W. Cooper, Pueblo, Gr. H. P. 41 chapters, 3659 members, 276 exalted.

DELAWARE.—Grand Lodge Oct. 2, 1907, from Virginius V. Harrison, Wilmington, G. Sec. Thomas J. Day, Wilmington, Gr. M. 22 lodges, 2888 members, 180 initiates.

IDAHO.—Gr. Lodge, Sept. 10, 1907, from Theophilus W. Randall, Boise, Grand Sec. William C. Whitwell, Salmon, Gr. M. 48 lodges, 1094 members, 187 initiates.

ILLINOIS.—Gr. Lodge Oct. 1, 1907, from Isaac Cutter, Camp Point, G. Sec. Alexander H. Bell, Carlinville, Grand M. 752 lodges, 85,583 members, 6831 raised.

Grand Chapter, Oct. 24, 1907, from Gil W. Barnard, Chicago, G. Sec. Monroe C. Crawford, Jonesboro, G. H. P. 191 chapters, 26,132 members, 2114 exalted.

Grand Council, Sept. 11, 1907, from Gil W. Barnard, G. Recorder. Will C. Rood, Chicago, Grand Master. 46 councils, 4946 members, 525 candidates.

Grand Commandery, Oct. 22, 1907, from Gil W. Barnard, G. Rec. Smyth Crooks, Chicago, Gr. Com. 72 commanderies, 13,672 members, 1305 knighted.

History of the Scottish Rite in Chicago,

by George W. Warvelle, from Gil. W. Barnard, Gr. Sec. A pretty volume of 264 pp. with many valuable portraits.

Gr. Imperial Council Red Cross of Constantine, Aug. 14, 1907, from Geo. W. Warvelle, Chicago, G. Recorder. Winfield S. Corbett, G. Sovereign, Kansas City, Mo. 15 conclaves, 434 members, 120 candidates.

KENTUCKY.—Grand Lodge, Oct. 15, 1907, from H. B. Grant, Louisville, Grand Sec. Henry P. Barret, Henderson, G. M. 521 lodges, 30,630 members, 2810 initiates.

MARYLAND.—Gr. Chapter, Nov. 21, 1907, from John H. Miller, Baltimore, Gr. Sec. Charles E. Cochrane, Baltimore, Gr. H. P. 22 chapters, 2940 members, 248 exalted.

NORTH DAKOTA.—Gr. Lodge, June 25, 1907, from Frank J. Thompson, Fargo, Gr. Sec. John Reissbeck, Dickinson, Gr. M. 83 lodges, 5945 members, 564 initiates.

NEW YORK.—Council of Deliberation, June 26, 1907, from William Homan, New York, Deputy. Jas. Belknap, New York, Secretary. 8187 members, 806 initiates.

OHIO.—Gr. Lodge, Oct. 16, 1907, from J. H. Bromwell, Cincinnati, G. Sec. George D. Copeland, Marion, G. M. 510 lodges, 68,679 members, 4729 raised.

Grand Chapter, Oct. 2, 1907, from Edw. Hagenbuch, Gr. Sec., Urbana. Lewis M. Lea, Sandusky, G. H. P. 162 chapters, 25,698 members, 2212 exalted.

Grand Commandery, Oct. 9, 1907, from John N. Bell, Dayton, G. Rec. Ralph R. Rickley, Columbus, Grand Com. 63 commanderies, 13,277 members, 1077 knighted.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.—Grand Lodge, June 24, 1907, from Neil McKelvie, Summerside, G. Sec. W. K. Rogers, Charlottetown, G. M. 14 lodges, 662 members, 36 initiates.

VERMONT.—Gr. Chapter, June 14, 1907, from Henry H. Ross, Burlington, Gr. Sec. Collins Blakely, Montpelier, G. H. P. 29 chapters, 3811 members, 255 exalted.

WASHINGTON.—Gr. Lodge, June 11, 1907, from Horace W. Tyler, Tacoma, Gr. Sec. Ralph C. McAllaster, Seattle, G. M. 142 lodges, 10,903 members, 1001 initiates.

DIED.

IVORY H. TOWLE, in Saco Oct. 27, aged 81, A veteran member of Saco Lodge, having joined in 1864.

H. PERCY WALKER, in Westbrook October 26, aged 48. Born at Pride's Corner Nov. 17, 1859. He was an inspector in the Custom House and a member of Warren Phillips Lodge.

ALBERT BENJAMIN, in Portland Oct. 27, aged 46 y. 1 m. 23 d. A druggist's salesman, and a member of St. Alban Commandery. A native of North Anson.

FREDERICK M. LIBBY, in Portland October 28, aged 64. A member of Ancient Land-Mark Lodge and Mount Vernon Chapter. He was a bookkeeper in the First National Bank.

JEROME RUMERY, in Portland, Nov. 10, aged 72. He was a member of Atlantic Lodge, Greenleaf Chapter, Portland Council, St. Alban Commandery and the Scottish Rite.

JOHN L. COREY, in Portland Nov. 11, aged 46. A member of Portland Lodge, Portland Commandery, etc.

GEORGE W. LIBBY, in Gray Nov. 6, aged 42. A member of Presumpscot Lodge, Windham.

SAMUEL R. WILCOX, in Boston Nov. 20. A member of Portland Lodge.

THEODORE E. SIMONTON, in Reckland Nov. 26, aged 74. Treasurer of Claremont Commandery and a member of other masonic bodies.

EBEN BURNHAM, in Portland, Dec. 9, aged 70. A member of Dunlap Lodge of Biddeford. A veteran of the 27th Maine regiment.

HENRY K. GRIGGS, in Westbrook Dec. 11, aged 87. A member of Temple Lodge.

GEO. W. HAMMOND, in Yarmouthville, Jan. 6, suddenly, aged 74 y. 9 m. 2 d. He was born in Grafton, Mass., was long agent of the Cumberland Mills Paper Company, and later, until 1905, Superintendent of the Forest Paper Co., at Yarmouthville. He was much interested in historical research and general literature.

ARCHIBALD MONTGOMERY, in Portland Jan. 6, aged 90. He was one of the oldest members of Ancient Land-Mark Lodge, having joined Nov. 7, 1855; he was made elsewhere. He was a ship carpenter, but for half a century was in the employ of the Portland Savings Bank.

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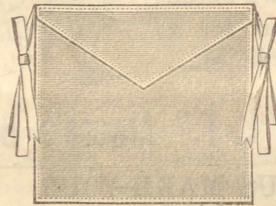
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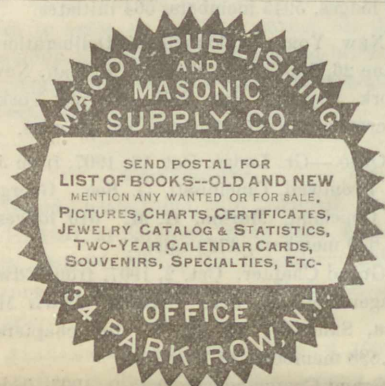
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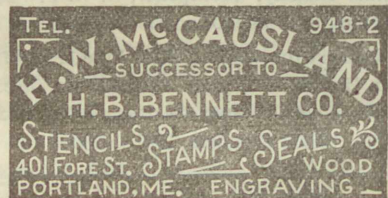
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