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## THE BUILDER.

When I was a king and a mason—a mason proven and skilled—  
I cleared me ground for a palace such as a king should build,  
I delved and dug down to my levels; presently, under the silt,  
I came on the wreck of a palace, such as a king had built.

There was no worth in the fashion—there was no wit in the plan,  
Hither and thither, aimless, the ruined footings ran—  
Masonry, brute mishandled, but carven on every stone;

"After me, cometh a builder. Tell him I, too, have known."

Swift to my use in my trenches, where my well-planned ground work grew,  
I tumbled his quoins and his ashlar, and cut and reset them anew.  
Lime I milled out of his marbles; burned it, slacked it and spread,  
Taking and leaving at pleasure the gifts of the humble dead.

Yet I despised not, nor gloried; yet, as we wrenched them apart.

I read in that razed foundation the heart of that builder's heart,  
As he had risen and pleaded, so did I understand  
The form of the dream he had followed in the face of the thing he had planned.

When I was a king and a mason—in the open noon of my pride,  
They sent me a Word from the Darkness—they whispered and put me aside.

They said: "The end is forbidden"; They said: "Thy use is fulfilled,  
And thy palace shall stand as that other's, the spoil of the king who shall build."

I called my men from the trenches, my quarries, my wharves and my shears,  
All I had wrought I abandoned to the faith of the faithless years.  
Only I cut on the timber, only I carved on the stone:

"After me cometh a Builder. Tell him I, too, have known."

—[Rudyard Kipling].

## MASONRY IN MAINE.

### Lodge Elections.

Portland, 1, Portland. Morrell H. Ames, m; Edward H. Sargent, sw; Geo. W. Mitchell, jw; George F. Gould, sec. Benj. F. Andrews, Trustee.

St. Aspinquid, 198, York Village. Albert Langille, m; Jonathan G. Osborne, sw; John W. Hodsdon, jw; Willie W. Cuzner, sec.

Mt. Abram, 204, Kingfield. Carroll E. Young, m; Lester L. Mitchell, sw; Orris M. Vose, jw; Arthur C. Woodward, sec.

Mt. Bigelow, 202, Flagstaff. Elmer A. Sampson, Dead River, m; Wm. M. Viles, sw; Fremont Lincoln, jw; Walter E. Hinds, sec.

Morning Star, 41, Litchfield. W. Leslie Maloon, m; Clarence E. Maloon, sw; Alvin R. Bucklin, jw; Roscoe E. Bosworth, sec.

Davis, 191, Strong. Ulysses G. Weymouth, m; Philip D. Stubbs, sw; Fred H. McCleary, jw; Charles B. Richardson, sec.

Blue Mountain, 67, Phillips. J. Blaine Morrison, m; John W. Russell, sw; S. Sherman Whitney, jw; Carl E. Cragin, sec.

### Chapter Elections.

Teconnet, 52, Waterville. Abel Wall, hp; Mark J. Bartlett, k; Charles L. Jones, sc; Charles B. Davis, sec.

Lebanon, 18, Gardiner. Sidney L. Danforth, Randolph, hp; John W. Grant, k; Clinton C. Snell, sc; Harry E. Larrabee, sec.

### Commandery Elections.

Portland, 2, Portland. Edward S. Waite, com; Howard B. Chandler, gen; Charles D. Boyd, cgen; Frank W. York, rec. Harry R. Virgin, Trustee.

Freeport Lodge celebrated its 96th anniversary at Wolf's Neck, July 26th, 150 being present. After field sports, E. C. Townsend, made in Freeport Lodge 56 years ago, gave a talk on "Masonic Organizations of 50 years ago."

Warren Phillips Lodge of Cumberland Mills had its annual outing at the Moulton House, Dunstan, Scarborough, August 20th, 86 in number. A long program of outdoor sports was carried through and the 4 o'clock dinner was approved.

St. Alban Commandery of Portland, has presented St. John's Commandery of Bangor with a handsome banner in recognition of its entertainment at Bar Harbor on St. John's day.

### Portland Masonic Temple.

The Trustees have established a Donor's Fund in which will be placed the Units given over to the Trustees for the purpose of extinguishing the debt on the new temple. The following brethren have returned their holdings and have received the thanks of the Board:

Augustus G. Schlotterbeck,  
James A. Martin,  
Millard F. Hicks.

### New Masonic Temple.

The corner-stone of the new masonic temple in Portland was laid by Grand Master Ashley A. Smith in due and ancient form on Monday afternoon, Aug. 29th. Almost all the Grand Officers were present with many past officers and leading masons from all over the state.

Deputy Grand Master Spofford opened the Grand Lodge, which proceeded in carriages, escorted by the four city lodges and by Hiram Lodge of South Portland, with the two city commanderies, to the residence of Bro. Aug. G. Schlotterbeck, Chairman of the building committee, on Deering St., where the Grand Master was received, and then marched to the Corner of Chestnut and Congress Streets where the new temple is going up. The ceremonies were viewed by a large assemblage besides the fraternity. Warren C. Philbrook, Grand Commander of the Templars, delivered the Oration, and Grand Master Smith followed with a short address.

The procession returned to Masonic Hall, where it was dismissed, the visiting brethren were taken to automobile drives, and in the evening there was for them a dinner at the Falmouth Hotel, where some interesting speeches were listened to.

The building is going up rapidly under the supervision of Architect Frederick A. Tompson and the building committee and 1911 should see it occupied.

The following articles were deposited in the box within the corner-stone

Proceedings Grand Lodge, 1910.

" " Chapter, 1909.

" " Council, 1909.

" " Commandery, 1909.

Constitutions Grand Lodge, Chapter, Council and Commandery.

Text Book Grand Lodge, 1910.

" " Chapter, 1904.

Proceedings Maine Council Deliberation, 1908.

Regulations Maine Consistory, 1907.

By-laws Mt. Vernon and Greenleaf Chapters.

By-laws Portland, Ancient Land-Mark, Atlantic and Deering Lodges, with lists officers and members.

By-laws Portland Council with lists officers and members.

" St. Alban Commandery.

" Yates Lodge of Perfection.

List members four bodies of Eastern Star.

List members Portland Commandery.

Notice meeting and application blank A. L. M. Lodge.



Histories of Portland, Ancient Land-Mark and Atlantic Lodges.

Historic details in manuscript.

Circular, subscription blank and post card picture of Temple.

Program of this ceremony.

Program 125th anniversary Portland Lodge.

Evening Express Aug. 27.

Sunday Telegram Aug. 28.

Press Aug. 28 and 29.

Argus Aug. 29.

Photographs Josiah H. Drummond, William P. Preble, Edward P. Burnham, Marquis F. King, Building Committee, Property when purchased, Temple under construction.

Steel portrait of Josiah H. Drummond. Autographs of Past Masters and officers Atlantic Lodge.

Commission Gr. Council Scotland to J. H. Drummond.

Tableau Scottish Rite Northern Jurisdiction 1871-73.

Coins.—Dollar 1904, Half Dollar 1910, Quarter Dollar 1910, Dime 1910, Nickel 1909, Lincoln Cent 1910, Cent 1907, Mark Penny Greenleaf Chapter.

Holy Bible, Square and Compasses.

Symbolic Emblems in Metal.

Portland Directory 1910.

Builders' Specifications.

Telephone Books of State of Maine.

#### Schools of Instruction

Will be held at Brunswick with United Lodge on Tuesday, Nov. 8th, at 10 A. M., and at Fairfield with Siloam Lodge on Friday, Nov. 11th, at 10 A. M.

Meduncook Lodge at Friendship will be constituted on Nov. 14th, at 2 P. M.

Castine Chapter will be constituted sometime in late November.

#### Grand Chapter Convention.

A School of Instruction will be held at Augusta, Thursday, October 13, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Instruction will be given by the Grand Lecturer in the ritual and secret work of the several degrees. Following the work in the afternoon Cushnoc Chapter will work the R. A. degree for inspection in the evening.

Schools will be held later at other points, but the dates are not yet fixed.

It is earnestly desired that every High Priest, King and Scribe in this jurisdiction, who can possibly do so, may attend one of these schools of instruction.

All Royal Arch Mason in good standing are cordially invited to attend.

#### Books, Papers, etc.

The colored masons of Natchitoches, Louisiana, have started an eight page quarto monthly in the interests of their lodges, at \$1 a year. It is called the Plumb Line.

The Masonic Chronicler of Chicago issued a fine "Program Number" for August, giving 112 pages finely illustrated.

The American Freemason is a new monthly of 48 pages quarto, published at

Storm Lake, Iowa, by the Freemason Publishing Co., and edited by Joseph E. Morcombe a distinguished masonic writer and editor, at \$2 a year. It is sure to be able and very liberal in its views.

A Memorial to Washington the Mason is a handsome pamphlet received from Alexandria-Washington Lodge in aid of the subscription to the memorial hall they are erecting.

*Universal Masonry* is a monthly, 34 pp. octavo published in Chicago at \$2 a year. Mrs. Minnie C. Holbrook is the editor, at 1513 East 66th Place. No. 2 which has reached us is devoted to Francis Bacon as a Rosicrucian and as the author of Shakespeare, to Theosophy and to female Masonry.

#### To the Masonic Token:

The death of J. Edward Simmons, a prominent New York Banker, calls to my mind the date we first met. It happens a great friend of mine, Mr. John H. Kemp of New York, had been in the habit of spending his summer vacation with his family at Cumberland Foreside, so as to be near Mr. George Burnham, Jr., with whom he was in business associated, and once then when in New York calling to see Mr. Kemp he told me of his being one of the officers of Kane Lodge, F. and A. M., and how they were to have a meeting that night and that he would like to have me accompany him. Whereupon I was taken into his private office, and calling in his partner, who was a prominent mason, they put me through a course of examination which to their minds satisfied them that I was a Blue Lodge Mason, and I was that night taken by Mr. Kemp to the meeting of Kane Lodge, of which J. Edward Simmons was then the Master. This visit to Kane Lodge was the first occasion I had ever seen the officers in dress suits and white gloves, and I was very much impressed with the work.

It also happened that the very celebrated surgeon, Dr. Sayre, was present that night to make some sort of a plea for his son, and introduced as I was to nearly every mason present, more than half inquired for, as they called him, Judge Drummond, meaning of course our own beloved Josiah H. Drummond.

After the session I had the honor of being invited by Mr. Simmons with the officers of the lodge to a banquet at the then celebrated hotel, the Brunswick, in New York, and among the guests was the Grand Master of New York, Roome.

I never spent a more pleasant evening in my life, and although not meeting Mr. Simmons very often since that time, we had occasionally exchanged notes. That he was a true mason and one to be trusted was shown by the honors thrust upon him by his fellow citizens.

Another great mason, whom I have had the privilege of meeting, was Norman T. Gassett, who in Masonic Hall, in Chicago, one night conferred upon me the 35th degree very much in vogue at the time, and somewhat similar to the style now adopted by the Shrine.

I have yet to find a man who has ever regretted being a mason.

FREDERICK E. BOOTHBY.

#### Rockefeller Voices Regret.

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 17.—One of the keenest regrets of the life of John D. Rockefeller is that he never became a mason, and therefore cannot be greeted as a Sir Knight Templar.

Years ago the oil king confided his disappointment to Thomas Hayes, his barber, and told why he had refrained from entering secret societies.

"Yes, Mr. Rockefeller often told me he would like to be a Sir Knight," said Mr. Hayes to-day. "He said the reason he kept out of secret societies was because of his great wealth. He said that with his riches had come a certain notoriety which made it impossible for him to appear in any society with any degree of ease or pleasure. Money had made him a mark, he said, for all kinds of annoying and irritating attention from the curious and from schemers."

"For that reason he had decided to keep out of the ranks of all kinds of societies or organizations, much as he regarded the pleasant association resulting from a fraternal friendship."

#### A Magnificent Masonic Hall.

TEMPLE OF THE SOUTHERN SUPREME COUNCIL, SCOTTISH RITE, AT WASHINGTON.

In one thing at least Washington is expected to surpass the world. That is the magnificent temple soon to be erected at Sixteenth and S Streets, Northwest, by the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States.

Grand Commander Richardson says it is proposed to make the new temple as magnificent as art and money can make it. No effort will be spared to this end. Aside from the architectural beauty of the structure, its decoration and interior ornamentation will be a marked feature, and it is expected when the temple is completed there will be no masonic structure in the world to compare with it.

Every element of detail in construction and ornamentation will be passed upon by men whose reputations in the art world are famous. The purpose of the Supreme Council is said to be to reflect artistically and symbolically in the new temple its own masonic glory in being the mother Council of the world and to make it a symbolic monument of the great principles inculcated by the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry.

The cost of the lot was approximately \$164,000. The cost of the new temple when completed will approximate a million and a half dollars.

Under an edict of the Supreme Council the project as well as the money with which to carry it out is entirely within the control of Grand Commander James D. Richardson, who, however, throughout has kept in close touch with each of the Inspectors General. The Temple is not a one-man idea, he said yesterday, but the result of the best thought in the art and architectural world.

Plans for the new structure have been



completed by a New York architect. They provide for an imposing structure, classic in design, of white marble, with a frontage of 156 feet on Sixteenth Street by a depth of 157 feet, with a gilded dome rising 130 feet from the street level.

Leading to the temple from the sidewalk will be a symbolic plaza of granite the full width of the building, with three steps to the first rise and five steps to the second before reaching the terrace.

Across the terrace will be two other rises of seven and nine steps, respectively, leading to the ornate massive portals of the entrance, the whole forming a "grand entrance" of symbolic significance.

On the S street side there will be a stretch of greensward parking 70 feet wide for the full depth of the lot. On the other side a similar parking will be 50 feet wide. The building will have three stories, a basement and a sub-basement.

The entrance will be flanked on either side with two giant sphinxes. The terrace will be embellished with symbolical and allegorical statuary.

Over the arched entrance to the building will be a golden sunburst, with rays 40 feet in length, flashing from the symbolic double eagle and triangle of the Thirty-third Degree.

Above it and running across the entrance will be the inscription:

"Temple of the Scottish Rite, founded in the United States in the year 1801 by the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Freemasonry, maintained and cherished from generation to generation by the brotherhood for the good of fellow-men and the glory of Almighty God."

Above the level of the tablet bearing the inscription will rise the great columns, thirty-three in all, which will surround the building on three sides and support the entablature, from which rises the golden dome.

Entrance to the structure will be through a spacious vestibule leading to an atrium, 50 feet in one direction and 70 feet in the other, at the far end of which is located the grand staircase, which extends to the mezzanine floor and leads to the portals of the council chamber of the Thirty-third Degree. There will be two smaller stairways at the front of the atrium.

The apartments on the main floor will be devoted to administrative purposes and the library. Those on the right will contain the offices of the Secretary General; those on the left the offices of the Sovereign Grand Commander, while the whole of the rear, which has a semi-circular formation, will be devoted exclusively to the extensive library and masonic and art curios, relics and statuary.

The mezzanine floor will contain the rooms of the Active Inspectors General of the rite, thirty-three in number. There are thirty-three Active Inspectors General of the Thirty-third Degree, thirty-three degrees in the rite, thirty-three states in the jurisdiction. Each room will be embellished with the coat-of-arms of one of the States of the jurisdiction and the symbolic emblems of the degree to which it is consecrated.

Each room will so communicate with the adjoining rooms that it will be possible when occasion requires, to throw them all into one long vista, leading to the council chamber of the thirty-third degree. The folding doors that will separate them will sink into the walls from floor to ceiling, so as to leave no obstruction to the view throughout the entire vista and the ornamentation of each room as a constituent part of the whole panorama.

There will be sixteen rooms of this character on either side of the structure, with

the council chamber as a terminus to each suite. When thrown together they will afford space to entertain thousands of people on state occasions. The entrances to each room will be from marble corridors, which also can be thrown into the mammoth halls when the floor is set for a big reception.

Thirty-three seats of elaborate design will be permanently set in the council chamber, one for each Active Inspector General. Its interior will be furnished in Egyptian style. It will be, said the Grand Commander, one of the artistic feature of the magnificent temple.

The crowning glory of the interior, however, will be the cathedral, which will occupy the entire uppermost floor of the building. It will represent a symbolic hollow cube 75 feet square, rising to a height of 75 feet, surmounted by the curved interior of the golden dome. It will be lighted by a great circular skylight in the center of the dome, 25 feet in diameter. On the four sides of this vast room the interior curve of the dome will be broken by four great arches, one on each side, supported by massive pillars and entablature. Between each will be ornate statuary and other embellishment.

In what is known masonically as "the grand east," where the great chair of state of the Sovereign Grand Commander is placed, and rising above the columns, will be another great golden sunburst flashing from the symbolic double eagle and triangle of the Thirty-third Degree, similar to that at the entrance of the temple.

Around the central skylight in the roof of the dome historical and allegorical bas-relief and other ornamentation will form the setting. On each of the four sides of the cathedral the arches and entablature will be supported by six mammoth columns.

Opposite to the Grand Commander's station will be, in balcony, the great pipe organ and choir gallery. On the floor will be the station of the Lieutenant Grand Commander.

The great chair of state, in which the Grand Commander will sit, will be an elaborate affair. It resembles the throne of an emperor or seat of a pontiff, with a canopy top surmounted by a large crown, with draperies falling to either side. In ornate workmanship and decorative carving it will be a masterpiece of art.

It will stand on a raised dias, five steps above the floor level. Five tiers of specially constructed orchestra chairs will rise tier by tier on either side of the great hall, and in front of them will be placed the desks and chairs of the Active Inspectors General.

The decorations of the cathedral will be nothing short of magnificent, although all the details have not yet been agreed upon. Five doorways lead to the promenade, 11 feet wide, between the main walls and the thirty-three pillars on the outside. Three are in the front and one on either side of the structure. This promenade will be artistically tiled from end to end.

The basement of the structure will rise 11 feet above the street level and extend 4 feet below. It will be utilized for a large banquet hall, janitor's quarters and the printing office of the rite. The sub-basement will be devoted to the heating and lighting plants.—[Washington Star.]

#### Our Masonic Exchanges.

American Freemason, Storm Lake, Iowa, monthly \$2.  
Ashlar, Detroit, Michigan, monthly, 25 c.  
Corner Stone, N. York City, weekly, \$2.  
Crescent, The, St. Paul, Minn., mo., \$1.50.  
Eastern Star, Indianapolis, Ind., mo., \$1.

Freemason, The, Toronto, Ont., Canada, monthly, 50 cents.  
Globe, The, Gravette, Arkansas, monthly, 25 cents.  
Lodge Record, Benson, Minnesota, monthly, 25 cents.  
Long Island Masonic News, Brooklyn, N. York, semi-monthly, \$1.  
Los Angeles Freemason, Los Angeles, Cal., monthly, \$1.  
Masonic Advocate, Pendleton, Ind., monthly, \$1.50  
Masonic Constellation, St. Louis, Mo., monthly, \$1.  
Masonic Chronicler, Chicago, Ill., w'kly, \$1.  
Masonic News, Peoria, Ill., monthly, \$1.  
Masonic Observer, Minneapolis, Minnesota, weekly \$1.  
Mexican Masonic Journal, Mexico City, Mexico, quarterly, 50 cents gold.  
Masonic Standard, New York, N. Y., weekly, \$2.  
Masonic Sun, Toronto, Ont., monthly, \$1.  
Masonic Voice-Review, Chicago, Ill., mo., \$1.50.  
Missouri Freemason, St. Louis, weekly, \$1.  
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.  
Square and Compasses, New Orleans, La., monthly, \$1.  
Tennessee Mason, Nashville, Tennessee, monthly, \$1.  
Texas Freemason, San Antonio, Texas, monthly, \$1.  
The Royal Craftsman, Plainfield, N. J., 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.

To what extremes they turn

Who seek to have,

But not to earn.

—[Gilbert P. Brown.]

#### EQUINOCTIAL.

I said, "September days are clear and fair,  
And sweet with scents of ripening fruits, and free  
From the fierce heats that sweep across the sea  
And break in tempests on the summer air.  
For one storm-beaten life, blown here and there  
By summer gusts of passion, there will be  
A short, sweet season of serenity.—  
A refuge pain and peril may not share."  
How should I know that one September blast  
Would out-wreck all the tempests of the year?  
O treacherous heart, smiling at dangers past,  
So wilfully secure, how should I fear  
That all thy vaunted strength could not avail  
Against one passionate autumnal gale?  
—[Susan Marr Spaulding.]



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Any member of the Grand Chapter, Council or Commandery can obtain the Constitutions of those bodies in the same way.

### Chicago Triennial.

The earliest meeting was of the Mutuals and Grand Recorders, Monday afternoon, August 8th, when Gen. John C. Smith of Chicago was chosen Regent, John C. Kidd of Houston, Texas, Vice Regent, Harper M. Orahod of Denver, Treasurer, John H. Miller of Baltimore, Secretary, and Rev. Joseph E. Robbins of Manchester, N. H., Chaplain, the latter in place of Grand Master Rugg, deceased.

Grand Master, the Earl of Euston, with his party, arrived and was received and escorted to his hotel, where he was welcomed by Grand Master Melish.

On Tuesday, 9th, the great parade was viewed by half a million of people, 14,041 men were in line.

On Wednesday, 10th, the important thing reported was the acceptance of the Concordat. Some opposition was made to this as it would enable British Templars to

checkmate all future attempts at Colonial independence, but it appears to have been overcome.

On Thursday, 11th, the following officers were elected:

Grand Master—Wm. Bromwell Melish, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Deputy Grand Master—Arthur MacArthur, Troy, N. Y.

Grand Geno.—W. Frank Pierce, San Francisco, Cal.

Gr. C. Gen.—Lee S. Smith, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Gr. Senior Warden—Joseph Kyle Orr, Atlanta, Ga.

Gr. Junior Warden—Jehiel Wosten Chamberlain, St. Paul, Minn.

Gr. Prelate—Rev. John M. Walden, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Gr. Treas.—Henry Wales Lines, Meriden, Conn.

Gr. Rec.—John A. Gerow, Detroit, Mich.

Gr. Standard Bearer—Leonidas P. Newby, Knightstown, Indiana.

Gr. Sword Bearer—Frederick C. Thayer, Waterville, Me.

Gr. Warder—Hutson B. Colman, Kalamazoo, Mich.

Gr. Capt. Guards—Henry M. Boykin, Richmond, Va.

Denver won the next triennial on the third ballot.

The majority report on the revised Constitution was adopted.

The power of Grand Commanders to issue dispensations for receiving and balloting for the Orders on the same evening was taken away.

The banquet to the Grand Encampment Wednesday evening was noteworthy. The response of Grand Master Melish was the feature of the evening.

In the prize drill Raper of Indianapolis took the first prize, Hanselman of Cincinnati the second, and Oriental of Kansas City, Mo., the third.

The receptions were too numerous to be recorded.

Maine was represented by Grand Commander Warren C. Philbrook, Deputy Gr. Commander Albert H. Burroughs, Arthur S. Littlefield, of Rockland, Proxy for Grand Generalissimo, and Charles W. Jones, Gr. Capt. General. Past Gr. Commanders Clayton J. Farrington and Frederick C. Thayer were also present.

MEXICO. There has been a secession of eight lodges, led by the Grand Secretary, A. Pro, from the Grand Lodge of the Valley of Mexico, and a new Grand Lodge has been formed. They were aided by Jose Castellot, Sovereign Gr. Commander of the Supreme Council, and the new body retains the archives and offices of the old body. The old body will change its name by cutting out the words "Valley of." The Supreme Council has recognized the new body. Jose

J. Reynoso is Grand Master of the old body with Wm. Thompson for Grand Secretary and W. H. Seamon as Junior Grand Warden. The English speaking lodges adhere to the old body.

The old body has withdrawn recognition from the Grand Lodge of Vera Cruz. We fear it is dangerous to recognize any Mexican Grand Lodge at present.

### Summer Visitors.

We had pleasant calls from Bros. Albert Maxfield of New York, and David M. Drury of Brooklyn, in August, and from Bro. Geo. E. Corson, of Washington, D. C., September 10th. The latter was a native of Maine and is our Grand Representative in the Gr. Commandery of the District of Columbia.

COLORED MASONRY.—We are indebted to the Hon. J. Corbin, P. G. M., for the proceedings of the Colored Grand Lodge of Arkansas for 1909. The statistics are not summed up, so we cannot quote them. P. G. M. Corbin gives an interesting report on Correspondence, a second report because his first was destroyed in a fire.

### Henry Warren Rugg,

Grand Master of Templars U. S. and Grand Master of Masons for Rhode Island died of a complication of diseases at Providence July 21st, aged 76 years, 10 months, 18 days. He was born in Framingham, Mass., Sept. 3, 1833, studied in Worcester, held pastorates in South Dennis, East Cambridge, Hyannis, Mass., Bath, Me., Halifax, N. S., and Providence, and was Secretary of Tufts College.

He was made a mason in Barnstable, Mass., in 1855. He is survived by a widow and one daughter.

He was Knighted in Maine Commandery at Gardiner Jan. 8, 1864, in company with Charles H. McLellan, John W. Ballou and others who became charter members of Dunlap Commandery.

The funeral on July 25th was conducted by the Deputy Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge and the Grand Encampment and many distinguished masons were present, including Dr. Frederick C. Thayer from Maine.

The esteem and affection in which he was held by the Order everywhere was very marked. Our own friendship of forty-six years had taught us how deserving of admiration he was, and the successive deaths of our early associates had brought us nearer together as the circle narrowed.

John Braim, the veteran Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Victoria, Australia, has retired on account of illness, and P. D. Gr. Master Charles James Barrow has succeeded him. His address is Freemasons Hall, Collins Street, Melbourne.



**Northern Supreme Council.**

The Northern Supreme Council met in Detroit, Michigan, Sept. 20th, 21st and 22d. Maine was represented by Dr. William C. Mason, Deputy for Maine, Millard F. Hicks Albro E. Chase, and Dr. F. C. Thayer.

The meeting was said to have been the largest ever held, and the visitors were royally entertained. Nearly all the active and 360 honorary members were present.

General Samuel C. Lawrence resigned his office as Gr. Commander and Barton Smith of Toledo, Ohio, succeeded to the office.

*The Royal Order of Scotland* held its annual meeting at the same time and place. The business was routine. The annual dinner was a successful function. A larger number than usual was present.

Winslow Homer, the distinguished artist, died at his summer home at Prout's Neck Sept. 29th, aged 74. He drew the design for the beautiful diploma of the Gr. Lodge of Maine, and the original is now framed and kept in the Grand Lodge office.

**Obituaries.**

THOMAS HENRY JACKSON, Grand Commander of Arkansas in 1909, died at Brinkley, July 1st. He was born in Helena, June 14, 1855.

ROBERT H. CHAMBERLAIN, Gr. Commander of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, died at Worcester, June 28, 1910. He was born in Worcester, June 16, 1838, and was a Captain in the Union Army in the Civil War, and a general in the militia.

BRUCE W. ROWLEY, Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery, of South Dakota from 1885 to 1892, died June 24th. He was born in Romeo, Michigan, Aug. 26, 1854.

RICHARD JOSEPH NUNN, Grand Commander of Georgia in 1891, died in Savannah, June 29th. He was born in County Wexford, Ireland, Dec. 13, 1831, and was a physician. He was a captain of Confederate artillery in the civil war.

CONRAD LUKAS HOSKA, Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Commandery of Washington, died suddenly of apoplexy at Tacoma, June 29th. He was born in Chicago, Ill., June 25, 1856. He was to have entertained the Grand Commandery at his home on Fox Island, June 30th, having chartered a steamer to take them there.

HENRY JACKSON MCBRIDE, Grand High Priest of Texas in 1873, died in Tyler, June 13th. He was born in Benton Co., Tennessee, April 11, 1832.

GEORGE PERLEY CLEAVES, former Grand Secretary of New Hampshire, died at Haverhill, Mass., March 18th. He was born at Charlestown, Mass., July 31, 1839.

JAMES TEN EYCK, Grand Master of New York in 1892, died at Albany, July 28th, aged 65. He dedicated the Masonic Home

at Utica and was a very able and influential man.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS, Grand Master of New York in 1883, died at Lake Mohonk, Aug. 5th. He was President of the 4th National Bank, had been President of the Stock Exchange, of the Clearing House and of the Chamber of Commerce, and was very distinguished in financial circles.

WILLIAM W. SNOW, senior Past Grand Commander of New Jersey, (1866), died in Hillburn, April 25, 1910. He was born in Heath, Mass., July 17, 1828. He manufactured car wheels and built in 1873, the village in which he afterwards lived and died.

HENRY O. CANFIELD, Grand Master of the Grand Council of Connecticut in 1900, died at Bridgeport, July 25th, aged 62. He was born in Naugatuck, Nov. 7, 1847.

GEORGE GRAY LATTI, Grand Commander of Arkansas in 1897, died at Hot Springs, July 6th. He was born in Fayetteville, N. C., Jan. 17, 1848. He was a captain in the Confederate service, having enlisted at 13 years of age. He was an eminent lawyer.

ALMOND LEROY WOODS, Grand Commander of North Dakota in 1901, and Grand Representative from the Grand Commandery of Maine, died at Grand Forks, Aug. 21st, aged 54. He was born at Troy, Maine, June 21, 1856.

CHARLES WHIPPO NASH, Grand Master of Minnesota in 1866, died at Marietta, South Dakota, Aug. 18th, aged 81. He was born at Albion, N. Y., Dec. 5, 1829, and became a lawyer. He went to Iowa in 1855, to Minnesota in 1859 and to South Dakota in 1906. He was a major in the Union army in the civil war. He served five years as Grand Master and was Grand High Priest in 1865.

JULIUS L. BROWN, Grand Commander of Georgia in 1899, died at Atlanta, Sept. 4th, aged 62. He was born at Canton, May 31, 1848. He was a Confederate soldier throughout the civil war, and afterwards a lawyer. He was Grand Master of the Grand Council in 1902, and was Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Maine.

JACOB T. BARRON, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter of South Carolina, died on Sept. 16, at Kansas City, Mo., where he had gone for medical treatment. Bro. Barron had been seriously ill for nearly a year, and spent some time in the Johns Hopkins Hospital at Baltimore and in Florida. His home was in Columbia, S. C., where he was a prominent lawyer. He was born in North Carolina in 1854, and was made a mason in Richland Lodge, No. 39, Columbia, in 1887. He was Past Grand Master, Past Grand High Priest, and for many years Commander of Columbia Commandery, K. T. He was Past Poten-

tate of Oasis Temple, Mystic Shrine, and had been for a number of years an officer of the Imperial Council of that Order. At the last annual session, in New Orleans, he was promoted to the office of Imperial High Priest and Prophet, the fifth in line.

—[*Masonic Standard.*]

CHARLES JOHN KRUGER, Grand High Priest of Michigan in 1878, born in Rendsburg, Holstein, March 25, 1825, died at Northfield, Minnesota, in the Odd Fellows Home, March 1st.

WILLIAM H. ANDREWS, Grand Master of the Gr. Council of New York in 1908, was suddenly killed by the upsetting of his automobile near Portland, Conn., Sept. 6th. Age not given.

CHARLES K. COUTANT, Grand Master of Nebraska in 1886, died at Omaha, Aug. 23d. He was born in Ulster Co., N. Y., Feb. 2, 1835.

Columbian Council of New York celebrated its centennial October 6. It is the oldest council in the world, and a quarter of a century ago we published its history written by Josiah H. Drummond.

Hon. James M. Larrabee of Gardiner has resigned the secretaryship of Lebanon Chapter after 22 years' service. He is succeeded by Harry E. Larrabee, his son.

The annual report of the Los Angeles Board of Relief shows \$184.25 paid out for Maine and \$150 received back. The report says:

INVALIDS COMING.—Brethren, throughout the United States, who may read this report: In the name of Humanity, don't send your consumptives and otherwise hopeless invalids to the Pacific Coast, unless they have sufficient means to take care of themselves. It is not doing them a kindness, and it is positively unjust to the Craft in the West. It is hard enough for a well man to get a position, but for an invalid it is impossible.

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The Grand Orient of Belgium has awarded a prize of 4000 francs to Bro. Robert Freke Gould of England for the best masonic book written in the last ten years. The book which earned him this distinction is "Gould's Concise History of Freemasonry."

—[*The Square and Compasses.*]

Bro. David H. Wright of Madison, Wisconsin celebrated his ninetieth birthday anniversary on July 9, in a very unique way. Beginning at three o'clock in the afternoon he conferred the three degrees of symbolic Masonry, completing the work about nine o'clock. He gave the three charges also and throughout the entire time did not resort to the use of a monitor.

—[*The Square and Compasses.*]



## PEARY OF BOWDOIN.

[At the splendid ovation given to Commander Peary during commencement week at Bowdoin College, it was the privilege of Prof. Henry L. Chapman to pay his tribute to the great explorer in rhyme. Prof. Chapman's poem is found below.

Who stands at the top of the world alone,  
'Gainst icy bar and ban  
While the cold North Star from his crystal throne,  
Looks down on the daring man?

For never before has human eye  
Gazed off from the Pole to the Star,  
Nor ever appeared the Star so nigh,  
And the frozen Pole so far.

There's many a dauntless man has fought  
To gain that frigid height,  
In search of the secret only sought  
In the gloom of the northern night.

And some have died in the mocking quest,  
Finding therein but a grave;  
But one to the perilous peak has pressed,  
Hopeful, persistent, and brave.

Again and again, his face not blenched  
By terrors that tried the soul,  
Fearless he went, with zeal unquenched,  
Ploughing a path to the Pole.

And who now stands at the top of the world,  
On the edge of the Polar Sea,  
With the starry flag by him unfurled?  
'Tis Peary of Bowdoin! 'Tis he!

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## A True Brother.

An American clergyman and a mason, the Rev. Lorenzo Dow, was once traveling in Asia, Minor, and was taken with a slow fever at Smyrna. When he had partially recovered his health, he found himself in rather indigent circumstances, and, as he was walking out one day, the thought struck him, as strangers were passing by, that there might be some masons in this far-off land. Somewhat weak and weary, he sat down by the side of the road, and gave to several travelers, as they passed by, the masonic sign of distress, which was not recognized by them. At last, seeing a well dressed gentleman approach, he repeated the sign, to which the gentleman cheerfully responded by inquiring into his circumstances. The result was, that the newly found masonic brother sent a carriage for him, and conveyed him to his own beautiful palace, took care of him till he had fully recovered his health, paid his hotel bill previously contracted, and sent him on his way rejoicing. —[*Keystone*.]

A committee of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, at the quarterly communication in June, reported that it was inexpedient to take action on a recommendation compelling lodges to fix the fee for life membership at a sum equal to fifteen times the annual dues.

The committee acted wisely in this matter. We do not give any opinion whether or not fifteen years or any other number of years' dues is the right basis for establishing life membership. We are not discussing that question now. Our contention is that it is a matter with which no Grand Lodge should interfere. It is the private business of the lodge. The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts enjoys a position of exalted dignity because she has heretofore throughout her long career abstained from all interference with the private business of the lodges. This course has shielded her from the hostile criticism that has assailed other Grand Lodges that have pursued a different policy.

If there is any Grand Lodge on this Continent that can exercise its prerogatives unquestioned, it is the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, for, unlike all others in our land, it derived its original power from a source outside of its present constituents. It can, therefore, rightfully exercise every power inherent at the time it was established and all others that have since then been delegated to it. So far as its right extends its government is absolute. Regarding the authority of Grand Lodges, Mackey says:

"The voice of the Grand Lodge is nothing else than the voice of the Craft expressed by their representatives," and although it is admitted that the government of Grand Lodge is and must be "completely despotic," in Massachusetts, at least, the power of the Grand Lodge has been exercised with so much wisdom and with such deference to the private rights of the lodges that none have found just cause for complaint. —[*N. E. Craftsman*.]

We think the Grand Lodge might properly fix a minimum rate, so that lodges should not weaken themselves to favor present members.

## Who Was Belshazzar?

No ancient secular historian mentions Belshazzar. The kings of Babylon were Nebuchadnezzar, Evil-Merodach, Nergal-Shareger and Naboned. With Naboned came the subversion of the empire, by Cyrus, the Persian. Merosus, priest of Babylon (250 C. E.) says that the last king, Naboned, was not in Babylon when Cyrus took the city; that he was not slain, and that he was treated with clemency by Cyrus. Belshazzar, therefore, cannot be identified with Naboned. And yet the book of Daniel speaks of Belshazzar as a king, and says he was slain, and inferentially, in Babylon.

Prior to 1854 this was an insurmountable difficulty in the way of commentators. They might infer that Daniel, who was on the ground, had better means of knowing than did Merosus, who lived 300 years later, but the question arose: Was Daniel on the ground? or, rather, was the book written at the time of the events it purports to narrate? This discrepancy between Daniel and the secular historian aroused suspicion of the book, and in the last century the confidence which had remained unmoved 2,300 years was shaken. Doubts arose and inquirers sought other evidence of inaccuracy.

In 1854, however, a cylinder was found containing Belshazzar's name. He was found to have been the son of Naboned, the last king. This discovery, since confirmed by other finds, disentangles the puzzle.

Naboned was, as Merosus says, at Borsippa, leaving his son in command in Babylon. Belshazzar was therefore the regent in the city—"king," as Daniel properly says—and his offer to make the man who could read the handwriting on the wall "third ruler" in the kingdom explains itself. If this discovery had not been made the task of vindicating Daniel would have been difficult.

The discovery has been a disappointment to those who had committed themselves to the late date of the book, and they insist upon it that at all events Daniel is inaccurate in calling Belshazzar "king," when he was only "crown prince." But is not this straining at a gnat? To press the modern notion of the title into ancient records is not scholarly. There were kings in Athens whose power lasted only one year, unless re-elected, and even as kings they were subordinate to others; the four "kings" whom Abraham with his four servants defeated did not merit the modern meaning of the word. But look at the situation in Babylon. The city was surrounded by the Persians. Naboned was absent commanding the Babylonian army in the field. Somebody had authority. Who was it but the king's son, Belshazzar. —[*Square and Compasses*.]

## The Flag went down with the Sun.

After the surrender of Major Anderson at Fort Sumter a single American flag still floated in Charleston. This was the property of the eminent masonic authority, Captain Albert G. Mackey, and it still floated, as had for years been the custom, over his residence.

Brother Mackey was a staunch Unionist, and up to this time his opinions, while differing from his neighbors and the members of the craft in the city, had been respected, but such action could hardly now be tolerated. A Confederate officer ordered the flag taken down. Mackey's answer was: "Not until the sun goes down."

Soon a detachment of Confederate soldiers appeared to enforce the order. The gray haired old Captain standing alone at his door, told the detail that they could haul down the Stars and Stripes only after his life was gone. Awed, and admiring the attitude and patriotism of the venerable old man, then over seventy years of age, the officer of the detail reported his reply to the commander who in turn reported to General Bureaugard, and asked what to do.

A letter was sent to the venerable patriot, by order of the General, and still that answer: "Not till the sun goes down." General Bureaugard was a Knight Templar, and had great respect for Brother Mackey, and the flag was not disturbed. At sundown the grand old man took the flag down, folded it up, laid it away, and it was not until the evacuation of Fort Sumter that Old Glory was again fluttering in the Charleston breezes.

—[*The Masonic Observer*.]

## Our Thanks.

**KENTUCKY.**—Gr. Commandery May 18, 1910, from Alfred H. Bryant, Covington, Gr. Rec. John G. Cramer, Lexington, Gr. Com. 32 commanderies, 4320 members, 369 knighted.

**MANITOBA.**—Grand Lodge June 8, 1910, from James A. Ovas, Winnipeg, Gr. Sec. George W. Baker, Winnipeg, G. M. 115 lodges, 5151 members, 527 initiates.

**MASSACHUSETTS.**—Gr. Council Dec. 8,



1909, from J. Gilman Waite, Boston, G. Rec. Everett C. Benton, Belmont, Gr. M. 28 councils, 7809 members, 529 candidates.

MISSISSIPPI.—Gr. Council Feb. 18, 1910, from Frederic Speed, Vicksburg, Gr. Rec. Oliver L. McKay, Meridian, Gr. M. 44 councils, 2008 members, 185 candidates.

NEBRASKA.—Gr. Lodge June 7, 1910, from Francis E. White, Omaha, Gr. Rec. Harry A. Cheney, Creighton, Gr. Master. 250 lodges, 17,886 members, 1277 initiates.

NEW YORK.—Gr. Chapter Feb. 1 1910, from Christopher G. Fox, Buffalo, Gr. Sec. Jay B. Kline, Syracuse, Gr. H. P. 206 chapters, 35,265 members, net gain 1166.

Council of Deliberation June 27, 1910, from William Homan, New York, Com-in-chief. A fine volume in boards, beautifully illustrated. 18 lodges, 9837 members, 796 initiates.

NORTH DAKOTA.—Grand Lodge June 21, 1910, from Walter L. Stockwell, Fargo, G. Sec. John J. Hull, Wahpeton, Gr. M. 96 lodges, 7581 members, 601 raised.

PENNSYLVANIA.—Council of Deliberation Nov. 30, 1909, from Francis M. Highley, Philadelphia, Gr. Sec. James I. Buchanan Pittsburgh, Com-in-chief. 13 lodges, 1316 members.

SOUTH DAKOTA.—Grand Lodge June 14, 1910, from Geo. A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls, Gr. Sec. Samuel S. Lockhart, Milbank, Gr. M. 121 lodges, 8301 members, 740 initiates.

Gr. Chapter June 16, 1910, from Geo. A. Pettigrew, Gr. Sec. Frank A. Brown, Aberdeen, Gr. H. P. 35 chapters, 2765 members, 286 exalted.

Gr. Commandery June 17, 1910, from Geo. A. Pettigrew, Gr. Recorder. Edgar D. Brookman, Vermillion, G. Com. 17 commanderies, 1539 members, 190 knighted.

UNITED STATES.—Grand Imperial Council Red Cross of Constantine June 16, 1910, from Geo. W. Warvelle, Chicago, Gr. Rec. Augustus O. Wellman, Topeka, Kansas, G. Sovereign. 15 subordinates, 512 members, 69 candidates.

VERMONT.—Gr. Lodge June 15, 1910, from Henry H. Ross, Burlington, Gr. Sec. Henry L. Ballou, Chester, Grand M. 104 lodges, 12,933 members, 586 raised.

Gr. Chapter June 17, 1910, from Henry H. Ross, Gr. Sec. Henry S. Root, Newport, G. H. P. 30 chapters, 4075 members, 174 exalted.

Gr. Council June 14, 1910, from Henry H. Ross, Gr. Rec. Daniel C. Noble, Middlebury, G. M. 17 councils, 1376 members, 83 candidates.

Grand Commandery June 14, 1910, from Henry H. Ross, Gr. Rec. Daniel S. Danforth, St. Albans, Gr. Com. 13 commanderies, 2533 members, 107 knighted.

Council Deliberation June 13, 1910, from

Henry H. Ross, G. Sec. Marsh O. Perkins, Com-in-chief. 7 lodges, 858 members, 36 initiates.

WASHINGTON.—Gr. Lodge June 21, 1910, from Horace W. Tyler, Tacoma, Gr. Sec. Jeremiah Neterer, Billingham, Gr. M. 168 lodges, 14,473 members, 1051 initiates.

WEST VIRGINIA.—Gr. Commandery May 18, 1910, from Francis E. Nichols, Fairmont, Gr. Rec. Ed. O. Bower, Sistersville, Gr. Com. 19 commanderies, 3102 members, 243 knighted.

#### DIED.

STEPHEN E. ALLEN in Stonington July 9. A member of Reliance Lodge.

GEORGE H. HEATH in Fairfield Aug. 1, aged 40. A member of Siloam Lodge.

AYERS M. EDWARDS in Boston July 21, aged 53 yrs. 6 mos. 9 d. Manager McMillan Publishing Co. and member Lewiston Commandery.

NED H. CHILDS in Waterville July 19, aged 30. A member of Waterville Lodge.

GEORGE H. STANFORD of Lewiston in Boston Aug. 15, aged 68. A member of Rabboni Lodge.

SAMUEL G. DAVIS of Denmark in Washington, D. C., Sept. 23. A member of Mt. Moriah Lodge, Oriental Chapter and St. Alban Commandery.

CARL F. A. WEBER in Portland Oct. 6, aged 59 yrs. 11 mos. 6 d. He was assistant cashier of the First National Bank, and Treasurer of the Portland Yacht Club. He was born in Cologne, Germany. He was a member of Ancient Land Mark Lodge, Greenleaf Chapter, Portland Council, Portland Commandery and the Scottish Rite, and belonged to the masonic quartet of A. L. M. Lodge. He was an honorable, efficient and popular man.

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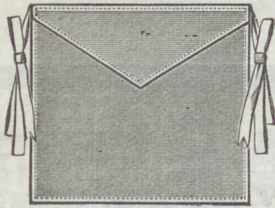
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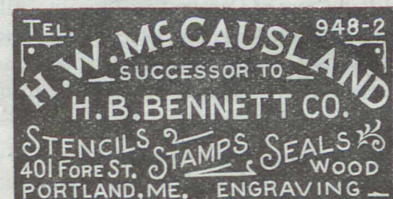
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