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The Frost.

The Frost looked forth one still, clear night,
And whispered, "Now I shall be out of sight,
So through the valley and over the height,
In silence I'll take my way.
I will not go on like that blustering train,
The wind and the snow, the hail and the rain,
Who make so much bustle and noise in vain,
But I'll be as busy as they!"

Then he flew to the mountain and powdered its crest;

He lit on the trees, and their boughs he drest
In diamond beads—and over the breast
Of the quivering lake he spread
A coat of mail; that it need not fear
The downward point of many a spear,
That he hung on its margin, far and near,
Where a rock could rear its head.

He went to the windows of those who slept,
And over each pane, like a fairy, crept;
Wherever he breathed, wherever he stepped,
By the light of the moon was seen

Most beautiful things; there were flowers and trees,

There were beves of birds and swarms of bees;
There were cities with temples and towers; and these

All pictured in silver sheen!

But he did one thing that was hardly fair—
He peeped in the cupboard, and finding there
That all had forgotten for him to prepare,

"Now just to set them a-thinking,
I'll bite this basket of fruit," said he,
"This costly pitcher I'll burst in three;
And the glass of water they've left for me
Shall 'tchick! to tell them I'm drinking!"

—[Hannah Flagg Gould.]

MASONRY IN MAINE.

Lodge Elections.

Maine, 20, Farmington. Geo A Thomas, m; Henry E Knapp, sw; E Herbert Dingley, jw; Geo B Cragin, sec.

Wilton, 156, Wilton. Walter D Bean, m; Harry J Trefethen, sw; Chas W Sharkey, jw; Fred E Trefethen, sec.

Oxford, 18, Norway. Stuart W Goodwin, m; Wiggan L Merrill, sw; Frank L Brett, jw; Howard D Smith, sec.

Pine Tree, 172, Mattawamkeag. Fred A Budge, m; Albert F Martin, sw; Fred D Sherrard, jw; Geo W Smith, sec.

Aurora, 50, Rockland. Edward C Payson, m; Geo T Stuart, sw; Milton W Weymouth, jw; Lorenzo S Robinson, sec.

Davis, 191, Strong. Diah Sweet, m; Percy M Brown, sw; Charles E Richards, jw; Charles B Richardson, sec.

Ancient Brothers', 178, Auburn. Harrie L Webber, m; James W Bennett, sw; Geo C Simpson, jw; Frank L Lowell, sec.

Evening Star, 147, Buckfield. Wilson H Conant, m; Frank M Lamb, sw; James E Warren, jw; Arthur L Newton, sec.

Dirigo, 104, Weeks' Mills. Randall S Maxwell, So China, m; Amy N Webber, R F D 52, sw; Calvin A Rowe, jw; Orren F Sproul, sec.

Baskahegan, 175, Danforth. James A Haley, m; Ben E Parker, sw; Rufus A McClain, jw; Martin L Porter, sec.

Phoenix, 24, Belfast. Warren A Nichols, m; Orris S Vickery, sw; Ernest S Webber, jw; Clifford J Pattee, sec. Jewels were presented to all the past masters.

Temple, 25, Winthrop. Edwin T Clifford, m; Joseph L Cobb, sw; Francis G Wadsworth, jw; Levi E Jones, sec.

Composite, 168, La Grange. Samuel T Heal, m; Allan A Kirkland, sw; Lewis M Blake, jw; Fred H Savage, sec.

Archon, 139, East Dixmont. Horace H D Smith, Hampden Highlands, m; Leon F Edminster, Dixmont, sw; Maurice A Mudgett, jw; Stephen Mudgett, sec.

Lebanon, 116, Norridgewock. William B Longley, m; Lewis L Robinson, sw; Dennison J Haynes, jw; Ernest W Gilman, sec.

Drummond, 118, Parsonsfield. Wm A McDonald, m; Ellsworth W Sawyer, sw; W G O Ridlon, jw; Samuel M Boothby, sec.

St. Paul's, 82, Rockport. La Forest True Spear, m; Ralph H Trim, sw; Horatio G Jenkins, jw; Carleton W Steward, sec.

Village, 26, Bowdoinham. Charles M White, m; Caleb W Sedgley, sw; Anson P M Given, jw; Edward L White, sec.

Mt. Olivet, 203, Washington. Benj K Ware, m; Geo W Hall, sw; Chas L Finn, jw; Geo L Sprague, Union, R F D 3, sec.

Hiram, 180, South Portland. William A Seyford, m; Fred S Woods, Portland, sw; William O Verrill, jw; Josiah F Cobb, sec.

Morning Star, 41, Litchfield. Clarence E Maloon, m; Henry Taylor, sw; Edwin O Tarr, jw; Roscoe S Bosworth, sec.

Dresden, 103, Dresden Mills. Ernest C Palmer, m; Charles H McDaniel, sw; Jos L Houdlett, jw; Herbert B Blinn, Gardiner, R F D 11, sec.

Moses Webster, 145, Vinalhaven. Wm C Kessell, m; Herbert W Fifield, sw; Mark P Smith, jw; Freeman L Roberts, sec.

Star in the East, 60, Old Town. Edward A Merrill, m; John A Harlow, sw; George M McLellan, jw; Fred J Whiting, sec.

Monmouth, 110, Monmouth. C Oscar Flanders, m; Willard E Day, sw; Harold H Flanders, jw; Otis G Randall, sec.

Bethlehem, 35, Augusta. Orin B Frost, m; John C Arnold, sw; Harold A Allan, jw; Pearle E Fuller, sec.

Ancient Land-Mark, 17, Portland. Wm W Andrews, m; Charles O Caswell, sw; George A Coffin, jw; Ralph E Rowe, sec.

Quantabacook, 129, Searsmont. Orrin P Jackson, m; Fred E Miller, sw; Clarence R Simmons, jw; Allen L Maddocks, sec.

Cumberland, 12, New Gloucester. Walter W White, m; Ara D Hodgkins, sw; Ernest H Pratt, jw; Lewis E Jordan, R F D, sec.

Messalonskee, 113, Oakland. John H Johnson, m; Albert H Lord, sw; Virgil C Totman, jw; Orestes E Crowell, sec.

York, 22, Kennebunk. Charles W Roberts, m; Joseph B Mitchell, sw; John H Cooper, jw; George A Gilpatric, sec. Bro Gilpatric was elected for the 25th successive year.

Springvale, 190, Springvale. Daniel S Stokes, m; Arthur Low, sw; Ernest L Ogden, jw; Arthur E Horne, sec.

Bethel, 97, Bethel. Clarence K Fox, m; True A Eames, sw; Jameson L Finney, jw; Herbert C Rowe, sec.

Mt. Kineo, 109, Guilford. Sumner C Bennett, m; Harry M Daniels, sw; Raymond W Davis, jw; Fred Mellor, sec.

Granite, 182, West Paris. Frederick R Penley, m; Ralph A Bacon, sw; Samuel R Johnson, jw; Edgar F Barrows, sec.

Waterville, 33, Waterville. Clarence E B Walker, m; Charles L Jones, sw; Henry W Abbott, jw; Charles B Davis, sec.

Olive Branch, 124, Charleston. Charles L Marrows, m; Ernest F Dexter, sw; Herbert R Southgate, jw; Frank D Weymouth, sec.

Mosaic, 52, Foxcroft. Herbert E Horne, m; Arthur A Dinsmore, sw; David L Cameron, jw; James T Roberts, Dover, sec.

Arion, 162, Goodwin's Mills. Adelbert S Taylor, m; Clinton F Warren, Alfred, sw; Byron L Hill, jw; J Burton Roberts, sec.

Atlantic, 81, Portland. Wm S Dresser, m; Wm K Herrmann, sw; Arthur Manchester, jw; Almon L Johnson, sec.

Alna, 43, Damariscotta. Edwin F Stetson, m; Amasa B Hall, sw; Arthur P White, jw; Wilbur G Knowlton, sec.

Temple, 86, Westbrook. Roscoe C Booth, m; Harry W Washburn, sw; Percy C Knight, jw; Oliver A Cobb, sec.

Nollesemic, 205, Millinocket. Leon F Kent, m; Frank O Daisey, sw; Howard W Chase, jw; Joseph Nichols, sec.

Washington, 37, Lubec. Frank W Tre-cartin, m; Harry L Walton, sw; Frank Gilford Norton, jw; Irving W Case, sec.

Island Falls, 206, Island Falls. Dougal S Price, m; George A Palmer, sw; Frank L Downs, jw; Frank L Mooney, sec.

Bar Harbor, 185, Bar Harbor. Bert H Young, m; Kenneth McLean, sw; Fred W Sawyer, jw; Benj L Hadley, sec.

Harwood, 91, Machias. Roy E McKenzie, m; Ralph W Albee, sw; Carl H Bryant, jw; Albert S Allan, sec.

Warren, 2, East Machias. H Elbridge Moan, m; Ralph S Smith, sw; Morrill S Pope, jw; C Hollis White, sec.

Mt. Tir'em, 132, Waterford. Charles S Hamlin, m; Elbridge P Kimball, sw; Geo W Sias, jw; Warren V Kneeland, sec.

Pythagorean, 11, Fryeburg. Frank Jones, m; Noah McDonald, sw; Elmer A Harnden, jw; Tobias L Eastman, sec.

North East Harbor, 208, North East Harbor. Ernest C Ober, m; Reuben F Lurvey, sw; Mark H Reed, jw; Geo E Turner, sec.

Benevolent, 87, Carmel. Alfonso B Loring, m; Walter A Smith, sw; Adoniram J McGown, jw; Camillus K Johnson, sec.

St. Croix, 46, Calais. Edward G Buxton, m; Henry R Gillis, sw; Frederick V Pickard, jw; Isaac N Jones, sec.

Felicity, 19, Bucksport. Wm R Beazley, m; Walter B Smith, sw; Harry C Page, jw; Edward L Warren, sec.

Hermion, 32, Gardiner. Frank E Dill, m; Donald S McNaughton, sw; Frederick A Danforth, jw; Harry E Larrabee, sec.

Mystic, 65, Hampden. Arthur M Baker, m; Samuel S Emerson, sw; Everett F Curtis, jw; William H Tribou, sec.

Naval, 184, Kittery. Alonzo E Titus, m; I James Merry, sw; Charles R Wasgatt, jw; David G Walker, sec.

Pioneer, 72, Ashland. Carl L Hews, m; Albert A Towne, sw; Charles H McQuarrie, jw; Henry S. Brown, sec.

Chapter Elections.

Franklin, 44, Farmington. H Burton Voter, hp; Manley H Blaisdell, k; Fred E Trefethen, sc; George B Cragin, sec.

Cushnoc, 43, Augusta. Farnsworth G Marshall, hp; George E Jones, k; Albert H Pingree, sc; Charles R Chase, sec.

Corinthian, 7, Belfast. George C Trussell, hp; Charles A Harmon, k; Allen L Curtis, sc; Clifford J Pattee, sec. Jewels were presented to the six senior past high priests.

Rumford, 56, Rumford. Charles W Burditt, hp; Frank M Rawley, k; Leopold Schoneaur, sc; Alden Goodrich, sec.

Winthrop, 37, Winthrop. Harry E Taylor, hp; Clarence P Rowell, k; Herbert E Foster, sc; John H McIlroy, sec.

Greenleaf, 13, Portland. Clifton F Davis, hp; Will H Adams, k; Clarence E Turner, sc; Francis E Chase, sec.

Drummond, 27, Oakland. Henry L Hutton, hp; I Russell Clark, k; Marshall L Tilton, sc; Orestes E Crowell, sec.

Mt. Vernon, 1, Portland. Franklin P Clark, hp; C Clifford Bolton, k; John F Larrabee, sc; Albro E Chase, sec.

Piscataquis, 21, Foxcroft. Archibald M McNair, hp; Samuel C Skillings, k; Liston P Evans, sc; James T Roberts, Dover, sec.

Daniel Randall, 65, Island Falls. Seth T Campbell, hp; Clifford H Pomeroy, k; Benj C Walker, sc; Frank L Mooney, sec.

Pentecost, 55, Boothbay Harbor. Russell V Matthews, hp; John B Kelley, k; Leon A Marson, sc; Henry S Perkins, sec.

Mt. Kebo, 50, Bar Harbor. Arthur W Brown, hp; Guy E Torrey, k; Kenneth McLean, sc; Benj L Hadley, sec.

Oriental, 30, Bridgton. David C Saunders, hp; Howard W Jones, k; John W Emery, sc; Millard M Caswell, sec.

Murray, 33, Kennebunk. Walter H Hobbs, hp; Joseph B Mitchell, k; John H Cooper, sc; Albert W Meserve, sec.

Council Elections.

Westbrook, 15, Westbrook. Leonard W Parkhurst, tim; Ralph H Cotton, dm; Chas H McBride, pcw; Oliver A Cobb, rec.

Portland, 4, Portland. Fred'k F Breene, tim; Charles C Bolton, dm; Frank W Richardson, pcw; Albro E Chase, rec.

King Hiram, 6, Rockland. Simeon M Duncan, tim; George W Smith, dm; William H Fiske, pcw; Frank C. Flint, rec.

Adoniram, 12, Gardiner. Edward L Jenks, tim; Ralph A Stone, dm; Charles W Miller, Randolph, pcw; Harry E Larrabee, rec.

Commandery Elections.

Pilgrim, 19, Farmington. J Blaine Morrison, Phillips, com; George McL Presson, gen; Jarvis L Tyler, cgen; Geo B Cragin, rec.

Palestine, 14, Belfast. Allen L Curtis, com; Morris L Slugg, gen; Dayton F Stephenson, cgen; Clifford J Pattee, rec.

St. Aldemar, 17, Houlton. Alpheus A Hutchinsor, com; Orin L Goodridge, gen; Elias M Hutchinson, cgen; Charles A McCanna, rec.

St. Alban, 8, Portland. Wm N Howe, com; Herbert W Robinson, gen; Leon W Helson, cgen; Charles H Small, rec.

Claremont, 9, Rockland. Edward K Gould, com; Albert P Blaisdell, gen; Freeman A Stanley, cgen; Albert I Mather, rec.

De Molay, 10, Skowhegan. Arthur R Jewett, com; Geo H Plummer, gen; Maurice P Merrill, cgen; Wm R Elliott, rec.

De Valois, 16, Vinalhaven. Walter F Lyford, com; Harry L Sanborn, gen; Oscar C Lane, cgen; Daniel H Glidden, rec.

Dedication.

The new hall of Eastern Frontier Lodge was dedicated Dec. 18th, by Grand Master Elmer P. Spofford, assisted by Grand Marshal Alan L Bird, Grand Tyler Winslow E. Howell, and local brethren filling the other offices. The occasion was a very pleasant one, the weather fine, and the banquet after the services was a turkey supper.

New Lodge.

On Nov. 10th, Grand Master Spofford issued a dispensation for a new lodge at Limestone in Aroostook Co., to be called Limestone Lodge.

Albert H. Damon, Master.

Harry Leighton, Senior Warden.

Aubrey C. Frost, Junior Warden.

George P. Hamilton, Secretary.

Meetings second Tuesday.

Chapter School of Instruction.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Maine held a School of Instruction at Masonic Hall, Gardiner, Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 19th, with about fifty members present. A large number of chapters were represented, there being one companion present from Caribou. M. E. Dr. Frank E. Sleeper presided, and M. E. Frank J. Cole, G. H. Priest, of Bangor, Dr. J. A. Richan, Gr. Scribe, of

Rockland, Frederic O. Eaton of Rumford and Willis E. Swift of Augusta, District Deputy Grand High Priests, together with Franklin P. Clark of Portland, Gr. Capt. Host and Samuel B. Furbish of Brunswick, Gr. M. 2d Vail, were present as representatives of the Grand Chapter. The session was devoted to a recitation of the ritual with instruction by Dr. Sleeper as to the correct form to be used, and the interest with which the recital was followed showed that these meetings are appreciated.

A banquet was served at 6:45 to the members of the different chapters, followed by work in the evening in the Royal Arch degree by Lebanon Chapter.

Books, Papers, etc.

Maine Farmers' Almanac for 1914, received from Charles E. Nash & Son, Augusta, price 10 cents. Always good, always welcome. The visible eclipses will be a partial eclipse of the moon March 11th at 10:3 evening, ending 1:5 morning. A total of the sun, visible here as a partial, Aug. 21st, at 5:43 morning, ending 6:40. One must get up early to see it. There will be a transit of Mercury across the sun Nov. 7th, the sun rising with Mercury on its disc, which will egress at 9:31 morning.

Lent begins Feb. 25; Good Friday April 10; Easter April 12; Ascension Day May 21; Fourth of July on Saturday; Labor Day Sept. 7, Monday; Christmas on Friday.

The full moons are:

January 12,	0 h. 30 m. morning
February 10,	0:56 evening
March 11,	11:39 evening
April 10,	8:49 morning
May 9,	4:52 evening
June 8,	0:39 morning
July 7,	9:21 morning
August 5,	8:2 evening
September 4,	9:22 morning
October 4,	1:20 morning
November 2,	7:9 evening
December 2,	1:41 evening

Lodges should use the *Maine Almanac* in reckoning their stated meetings to avoid error in differences of time from other states. It is based on local time, not on Philadelphia time as is the standard time.

The Tyler-Keystone has been removed from Ann Arbor to Owosso, Michigan, and is now in charge of George T. Campbell as editor and publisher. It will be published once a month instead of twice, and the price is reduced to \$1 a year. From the appearance of No. 1 we think it will be more like the original Keystone than it was, and Bro. Campell is an accomplished writer who will make it lively and interesting.

We are indebted to Senator Charles F. Johnson, (P. G. M.), for a copy of the Memorial Address on Senator Wm. P. Frye.

And to Senator Edwin C. Burleigh, for a

second copy which we shall put in the Masonic Library, while the first will go in the Grand Lodge Library.

Reforms Proposed in the G. L. of England.

The Grand Lodge of England is considering the question of re-organizing the legislative machinery of the Craft. The creation of ten Metropolitan Grand Lodges in London, having equal powers with Provincial Grand Lodges, has been suggested. It is also suggested that representation in Grand Lodge be limited, as that body is now unwieldy. The "Freemason" says that the Provinces have been practically disfranchised, the London brethren being almost in complete possession of Grand Lodge. In connection with this matter, the question of accommodation in Freemason Hall must be considered, so as to provide for the ever-growing administrative needs of the Craft. This cannot be carried on without involving Grand Lodge in huge expenditure. This reform in the mother Grand Lodge means the elimination of the Past Masters and Wardens, and it is proposed to give each Province one representative for each ten lodges, a method by which a really national council of the Craft can be formed. Canadian brethren will watch with interest the solution of the problems that now confront the mother Grand Lodge, as a similar problem is likely, in the near future, to engage the attention of the Grand Lodge of Canada, which is now regarded by many brethren as unwieldy for legislative purposes.—[*Toronto Freemason.*]

The lodge room in the Masonic Temple of North Yakima, Wash., is constructed to represent the inner chamber of King Solomon's Temple. The room is considered to be the most historically correct representation of its kind in existence, architects who designed the work having made an exhaustive study of King Solomon's Temple, utilizing the records of the British Museum and the best masonic libraries. Critics say there is no other room in the world that shows so well the magnificence of the inner chamber, and world travelers have called it the most "unique and picturesque" they ever have seen.—[*Masonic Sun.*]

Our Thanks.

DELAWARE.—Grand Lodge Oct. 1, 1913, from Virginius V. Harrison, Wilmington, Gr. Sec. Frank B. Massey, Wilmington, G. Master. 22 lodges, 3358 members, 149 initiates.

IDAHO.—Gr. Lodge Sept. 9, 1913, from Theo. W. Randall, Boise, Gr. Sec. Curtis F. Pike, Boise, G. Master. 68 lodges, 4094 members, 294 initiates.

ILLINOIS.—Gr. Lodge Oct. 14, 1913, from Isaac Cutter, Camp Point, G. Sec. Henry T. Burnap, Alton, G. Master. 966 lodges, 122,233 members, 9301 raised.

Gr. Chapter Oct. 30, 1913, from George W. Warvelle, Chicago, Gr. Sec. Louis L. Emmerson, Mt. Vernon, G. H. Priest. 241 chapters, 37,350 members, 3021 exalted.

Gr. Council Sept. 10, 1913, from George W. Warvelle, Chicago, Gr. Rec. Joseph Schott, Lincoln, Gr. Master. 97 councils, 8444 members, 619 candidates.

Gr. Commandery Oct. 28, 1913, from Del-

mar D. Darrab, Bloomington, Grand Rec. Stuart E. Pierson, Carrollton, Grand Com. 77 commanderies, 17,897 members, 1115 knighted.

MARYLAND.—Gr. Chapter Nov. 20, 1913, from John H. Miller, Baltimore, Gr. Sec. Eugene Hammond, Cumberland, Gr. High Priest. 24 chapters, 3857 members, 279 exalted.

MINNESOTA.—Gr. Chapter Oct. 14, 1913, from John Fishel, St. Paul, Gr. Sec. Wm. A. Hawkins, Marshall, G. H. P. 84 chapters, 8823 members, 559 exalted.

Grand Council Oct. 13, 1913, from John Fishel, Gr. Rec. Geo. Markert, St. Paul, G. Master. 8 councils, 1474 members, 77 candidates.

NEW YORK.—Gr. Commandery June 17, 1913, from John H. Bonnington, N. York, G. Rec. Edward A. Kraussman, N. York, G. Com. 63 commanderies, 22,280 members, 1346 knighted.

OHIO.—Grand Lodge Oct. 22, 1913, from Jacob H. Bromwell, Cincinnati, Gr. Sec. Chas. J. Pretzman, Columbus, G. M. 529 lodges, 90,666 members, 5816 raised.

Grand Chapter Oct. 1, 1913, from Edwin Hagenbuch, Urbana, Gr. Master. Wm. E. Evans, Chillicothe, G. H. P. 194 chapters, 35,160 members, 2495 exalted.

WASHINGTON.—Gr. Commandery Sept. 18, 1913, from Yancey C. Blalock, Walla Walla, G. Rec. Charles G. Smyth, Leavenworth, G. Com. 13 commanderies, 2171 members, 146 knighted.

GRAND COUNCIL N. M. J., Sept. 18, 1913, from James H. Coddington, N. York, Sec. Gen. Barton Smith, Toledo, Ohio, Sov. Gr. Com. The returns show 96 bodies, 6826 initiates, 81,096 members. Maine has one nomination to its credit.

The Swastika is the most ancient and most widely distributed symbol that the world has ever known, it is to be found on Chaldean bricks; among the ruins of the earlier cities of Troy; it has been known in Egypt and Cyprus, on vases of the ancient Etruscans, also on Hittite remains. It is known in India, Thibet, China, Korea, and Japan, also among the Lapps and Finns, and by the Navaho North American Indians.—[*Masonic Sun.*]

It is an admitted fact by every Grand Lodge that has undertaken the maintenance of a Masonic Home that it is an expensive luxury. The debt they are obliged to carry is often discouraging and the burden taxes the constituent lodges enormously. Many smaller Grand Lodges who have undertaken this beneficent charity, commendable as it is, find themselves each recurring year at their wit's end to meet current obligations. Year by year they are forced to adopt the hand to mouth policy of obtaining yearly appropriations. Some better business method, as we see it, will have to be adopted or bankruptcy may follow. A Masonic Home should never be founded on a debt. They should have sufficient endowment or never be undertaken.—[*Masonic Tidings.*]

Our Masonic Exchanges.

American Freemason, Storm Lake, Iowa, monthly \$2.
Crescent, The, St. Paul, Minn., mo., \$1.50.
Duluth Masonic Calender, Duluth, Minn., monthly, octavo, 20 pp.
Eastern Star, Indianapolis, Ind., mo., \$1.
Freemason, The, Toronto, Ont., Canada, monthly, 50 cents.
Gavel, The, Portland, Ore., mo. octavo \$1.50.
Globe, The, Gravette, Ark., mo., 25 cents.
Kansas City Freemason, weekly, \$1.
Long Island Masonic News, Brooklyn, N. York, semi-monthly, \$1.
Masonic Bibliophile, Cincinnati, O., mo. \$1.
Masonic Chronicle, Chicago, Ill., w'kly, \$1.
Masonic Journal, Richmond, Va., mo. \$1.
Masonic Monthly, Philadelphia, Pa., \$1.
Masonic News, Peoria, Ill., monthly, \$1.
Masonic Observer, Minneapolis, w'kly, \$1.
Masonic Review, Tacoma, Wash., quarterly.
Masonic Standard, New York, N. Y., weekly, \$2.
Masonic Sun, Toronto, Ont., monthly, \$1.
Masonic Voice-Review, Chicago, Ill., mo., \$1.50.
Masonic World, Kansas City, Mo., mo., \$1.
New England Craftsman, Boston, Mass., monthly, \$2.
New Zealand Craftsman, Wellington, New Zealand, monthly, 10s. = \$2.50.
Scottish Rite Bulletin, Louisville, Kentucky, monthly, 50 cents.
Scottish Rite Herald, Dallas, Tex., mo. 50c.
South Western Freemason, Los Angeles, Cal., monthly, \$1.
Square and Compass, Denver, Col., mo., \$1.
Square and Compasses, New Orleans, La., monthly, \$1.
Tennessee Mason, Nashville, Tenn., mo., \$1.
Texas Freemason, San Antonio, Texas, monthly, \$1.
Trestle Board, San Francisco, Cal., mo., \$1.
Tyler-Keystone, Owosso, Mich., mo., \$1.
Victorian Freemason, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia, bi-monthly, 10 s. 6d., \$2.64.
Virginia Masonic Journal, Richmond, Virginia, monthly, \$1.
What Cheer Trestleboard, Providence, R. I., monthly, 50 cents.

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Ira Berry Chapter, Pittsfield,	22
Pioneer Lodge, Ashland,	11
Lincoln Lodge, Wiscasset,	44
St. Aspinquid Lodge, York Village,	11
Olive Branch Lodge, Charleston,	11
Hiram Lodge, South Portland,	11
Casco Lodge, Yarmouth,	11
Somerset Lodge, Skowhegan,	11

What lodge shall be next added?

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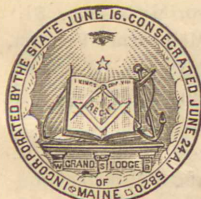
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Any member of the Grand Chapter, Council or Commandery can obtain the Constitutions of those bodies in the same way.

GRAND LODGE OF MAINE.



ANNUAL MEETINGS.

The Masonic Grand Bodies in Maine will hold their Annual Sessions for 1914 at the new Masonic Temple 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. 296, 297 and 298, proceedings 1913.

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, 1914.

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

Thomas W. Burr,

Died in Bangor Nov. 12th, aged 81. He was a veteran printer, and was born in Brewer Dec. 17, 1832. He was prominent in Bangor Masonry, belonging to all the bodies and having attained the 33°. He left a widow and three children.

Obituaries.

CHARLES E. DUNN, G. H. P. of Kentucky in 1884, died in Louisville Sept. 25th. Born in Louisville Aug. 30, 1840.

FRANK W. HAVENS, Gr. Master of Connecticut in 1898, died in Philadelphia Oct. 21st. Born in Wethersfield Dec. 2, 1845. Gr. Secretary from 1909 to 1913.

JOHN McDONALD, Grand Commander of Texas in 1895, died in Phoenix, Arizona, Sept. 3d, aged 79. He was born in Gray's Mills, N. Y., Oct. 18, 1834. He was an architect and builder.

ABEL M. HALLOWELL, Grand Master of the Grand Council of Illinois in 1903, died in Chicago Oct. 24th, aged 55. He was born in Norristown, Pa., May 3, 1858. He was the Grand Lecturer.

BINGHAM HALE CHADWICK, Grand Commander of Florida in 1902, died at Fort Myers Oct. 26th, aged 65 yrs. 6m. 18 days. Born April 8, 1848.

ALBERT MOORE KNAPP, Gr. Commander of Oregon in 1908, died in Portland Oct. 26th, aged 68 yrs. 9 m. 18 days. Born in Lenawee Co., Mich., Jan. 8, 1845. He was a railroad man.

FRANK P. WEYMOUTH, Gr. Master of the Gr. Council of Washington in 1903, died at Spokane Oct. 23d. Born at Webster, Me., April 10, 1837.

SAMUEL WARREN HAYES, Gr. Master of Nebraska in 1885, died in Norfolk, Neb., Nov. 15th. Born in Kennebunk, Maine, Sept. 26, 1819.

NATHANIEL M. AYERS, Gr. Master of Nebraska in 1902, died in Fairmont Nov. 19th. Born in Tridelpia, Ohio, June 12, 1847.

COLUMBUS CLARK ISAACS, Grand Commander of Maryland in 1885, Grand High Priest in 1887, and Grand Master of Grand Council in 1900-1-2, died in Baltimore Nov. 27th, aged 82. Born in Baltimore Sept. 20, 1831.

JOSEPH A. McKEE, Correspondent of the Gr. Commandery of Indiana, died in Jeffersonville Dec. 6th, aged 42. He was born at Farmington, Conn., Dec. 11, 1871, and was a lawyer. He had been S. G. Warden of the Grand Lodge, but was best known as an able Templar Correspondent.

BRADFORD NICHOL, Grand High Priest of Tennessee in 1886, Gr. Master of Gr. Council in 1877, and Gen. Gr. Master of the Gen.

Gr. Council, U. S. A., 1897 to 1899, died at Nashville Dec. 3d. He was a lieutenant in a battery in the civil war. Born in Nashville Dec. 5, 1841.

REV. JOHN M. WORRALL, Gr. Prelate of the Gr. Encampment U. S. A., 1904-1907, died in Philadelphia Dec. 30th, aged 88.

WILLIAM B. PUGH, Gr. Commander of New Jersey in 1900, died in Pasadena, Cal., Sept. 10th, aged 78. He was born in Ohio Jan. 17, 1836. He enlisted as private in the civil war and came out a major.

We regret being unable to accept the kind invitation to attend the 61st annual Reunion of the Scottish Rite at Pittsburgh, Penn., Nov. 18th to 21st.

The Masonic Chronicler of Chicago illustrates the objection to a General Gr. Lodge by giving an example of how the Gr. Chapter of Illinois of the Eastern Star had its laws overruled by the General Gr. Body on the ground that the ritual spoke of officers as appointed, in consequence of which the Gr. Chapter could not have them elected. That is not an important point, but it is one of many that would be irksome to Gr. Lodges.

Forty-seven Grand Lodges are now affiliated with the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada.

The 33d Triennial of the Grand Encampment will be held at Los Angeles on the third Tuesday of June, 1916, and not in August like the last.

Ossian Lang has been appointed Historian of the Grand Lodge of New York to succeed the late Edwin A. Quick.

Robert Freke Gould, the Historian, has been created a Past Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of England by the Duke of Connaught, as the highest honor in his power to bestow.

The Grand Lodge of Kentucky was asked by the Eastern Star to adopt a sign which should be common to both Orders, but refused to do so.

French Freemasons Recognized.

The Grand Lodge of England has recognized and entered into fraternal relations with the Independent and Regular National Grand Lodge of France. This new body adheres to the true principles of Freemasonry, and keeps the V.S.L. open when the lodges under its obedience are at work, and opened and closed in the name of the G.A. of the Universe. Its ritual was drawn up in 1778, sanctioned in 1782, and is the one with which the Duke of Kent was initiated in 1792. Bro. Dr. de Ribacourt is the Grand Master of the newly constituted Grand Lodge of France. Masonic intercourse with the brethren of France gives deep satisfaction to the Craft throughout the world, and is the outstanding feature of the centenary of the United Grand Lodge of England.—[Toronto Freemason.]

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CENTENNIAL. Freeport Lodge is the only lodge to celebrate its Centennial this year. It was instituted and chartered September 13, 1814.

Important news is that which comes to us of the recognition by the Grand Lodge of England of the National Grand Lodge of France. This new Grand Lodge displays the bible on its altars, and its lodges are

opened and closed in the name of the Great Architect of the Universe. Recognition by the Mother Grand Lodge means much, for general recognition by the English speaking Grand Lodges will probably follow. The effect of this new development on the future of the Grand Orient of France is problematical.—[*Masonic Standard.*]

We are indebted to W. A. Wollibin, Gr. Sec., Macon, Ga., for a neat little purse with a \$10 bill in it as a Christmas gift. The bill is a Confederate bill, but it is a good one to keep, and we thank him.

John C. Kidd, Grand Rec., of Houston, Texas, remembered us with samples of nuts from the Philippines, views, etc.

W. B. MELISH. We have received from P. G. M. Melish a pamphlet containing his addresses at Triennial banquets. It is noteworthy how they increase in gravity as the sense of responsibility increased, the first was at Boston in 1895. From the last at Denver, we quote:

Great changes have come to the world in the past century. Geographical lines have been redrawn. Governmental policies have undergone complete revision. Empires hoary with age, have in a day been swept by the force of events into the sisterhood of republics. Creeds change, but principles never. As individuals we may pass from the lowest to the highest in social scales, but the principles of the Order of Knights Templar (embodied in the Rock of Ages) shine still with the same brilliant light that caught the riveting attention of our forebears. It is not the view of an optimist but of a realist, to say to you that, never possibly in our history were our fraters pressing closer to the ideals of Knighthood. Brotherhood is no longer an idle word. It stands not for the equality of man intellectually, but for that humanitarian spirit that gives courage and fortitude in the time of disaster, and earnestness of purpose in the hour when men's souls are tried by the exigencies of life. Brotherhood means heroism and every true Knight is a hero bearing within his breast devotion to God, country and family.

Every Knight must be the builder of his own character. Reputation is the passing mist of the morning; character is the sunlight that gives warmth and hope and joy. Above everything else the Knight exalts character. Sentiment inspires. Feeling or emotion differentiates a man from the lower creation. Character is the sun-dial from which struggling humanity draws hope.

We do not underestimate the physical prowess, strength or beauty of our race. In point of intellect man stands next to God. He has advanced with a rapidity in fine thinking that has startled the world, but this has been brought about through our efforts in part for a better development of a finer brain fiber.

As Knights we believe in sanity of action in that uncommon common sense that gives a sanity to nerve and brain.

There can be no symmetry in character, no real true exemplification of our principles without a just appreciation of that symmetry necessary to a perfect and rounded physical existence. Our faces are toward the skies, but our work is to make out of man a better animal, with a broad chest and a good brain.

This is a commercial age in which we live. We do not undervalue the material things of life, but the true Knight apprehends that wealth is not in the things that waste and wither and die. You ask where it is to be found: In the cultured brain moved by the eternal principles that formulates and organizes the material things of life.

We of Masonry have ever recognized the greatness of intellect. And why? The iron ore after having passed through the blast furnace may bring—say twenty dollars a ton; made into watch springs one thousand dollars a ton. Raw iron twenty dollars; brain power nine hundred and eighty dollars.

The Knight that thinks and acts and lives in harmony with our principles is an incarnation of Divinity. If we are to build men, we must thoroughly appreciate the laws under which we live. You can't make a ten thousand dollar man out of a ten cent boy. It took seven generations of ministers of the Cross to present to the world Ralph Waldo Emerson. Oliver Wendell Holmes said that a man's value to the world was determined a century before his birth. In awe and admiration we look upon the Philosopher Socrates, but if you would find the real Socrates you must go to Sophro-nicus, and a century beyond. The Nazarene was born of woman but he had before him a great ancestry. Had every Knight Templar been permitted to select his ancestors, greatness would not have been the record of the few. The Savage lives a wild and free life. The untutored African goes to sleep under a single idea. A tropical toiler has a flabby muscle, thin blood and gray matter in such infinitesimal quantities that weariness of flesh results from even a single syllogism. Bierstadt stood in yonder mountains on a crag in Chicago canyon and caught his sketch of a "Storm in the Rockies." The canvas was worth but a few cents, the brushes and colors but a few more, but the original painting sold for thousand of dollars. We are drill-masters in every field of industry. The Shetland pony will do for children, but it takes the draft horse to pull the load along the streets. The Emperor, nine hundred and eighty feet long, the greatest floating vessel that ever sailed through the billowy waters, or the blue waves of any ocean, was worth but little in crude material. Brought together by the brain of man, majestically it pushed its nose into New York Harbor, the wonder of cheering thousands.

Sir Knights, we are not playthings on the diamond of the park, but are great actors in the drama of life. We are builders. This Colorado land was but a barren waste a few years ago. What has transformed it? The West greets the East to-day, and says—we must meet you in every avenue of forcefulness. Did you ever hear of a Milton, a Gladstone, a Shakespeare, or a Plato that signed his name with a mark?

The New Year.

Who comes dancing over the snow,
His little soft feet all bare and rosy?
Open the door, though the wild winds blow.
Take the child in and make him cozy—
Take him in and hold him dear,
He is the wonderful New Year.

Open your heart, be it sad or gay,
Welcome him there and use him kindly,
For you must carry him, yea or nay—
Carry him with shut eyes so blindly.
Whether he bringeth joy or fear,
Take him: God sends him, this good New Year.

—[Dinah Maria Mulock Craik.]

The Months.

January brings the snow,
Makes our feet and fingers glow;
February brings the rain,
Thaws the frozen lakes again;
March brings breezes loud and shrill,
Stirs the dancing daffodil;
April brings the primrose sweet,
Scatters daisies at our feet;
May brings flocks of pretty lambs,
Skipping by their fleecy dams;
June brings tulips, lilies, roses,
Fills the children's hands with posies;
Hot July brings cooling showers,
Apricots and gilliflowers;
August brings the sheaves of corn,
Then the harvest home is borne;
Warm September brings the fruit—
Sportsmen then begin to shoot;
Fresh October brings the pheasant—
Then to gather nuts is pleasant;
Dull November brings the blast—
Then the leaves are whirling fast;
Chill December brings the sleet,
Blazing fire and Christmas treat.

—[*Sura Coleridge.*]

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

In the matter of dispensing masonic charity, opinions differ as to the most desirable and efficient method. The Grand Master, the Honorable Samuel J. Wray, of South Australia, shows much good sense in the following, which we quote:

I am advancing in years myself, and if ever I should have to fall back on masonic charity, which do you think I would appreciate most; the charity which enabled me to enjoy the home I had lived in for so long, surrounded by those who loved me and were prepared to put up with my shortcomings, or on the charity which would place me in a cottage, one of many others, where I would be surrounded by a number of other short tempered, querulous old gentlemen like myself?

With reference to the subjects mentioned in the Trust, and to which our Brother has drawn attention, we must admit that the Trustees have acted to the best of their judgment. They have never found the time opportune—and it never will be opportune, I trust—for the erection of almshouses for indigent Freemasons who would thus be unjustly branded as paupers. The time, too, will never be opportune for the erection of special schools for the children of Freemasons as a class. The fact is we have come to realize that it is better to distribute our charity in an unostentatious manner rather than to attempt to glorify ourselves by the erection of useless, costly and wasteful buildings. We are asking, by this resolution, that the Trustees should become the permanent Trustees of the whole property, as was contemplated by the Trust.

—[*Aldro Jenks.*]**As They Do It in Other Countries.**

The United Grand Lodge of England provides that three black balls are necessary, unless the by-laws of a lodge provide for less. A majority of its lodges have a by-law fixing two as necessary. Some of the larger lodges require three and some one.

The Grand Lodge of Scotland fixes three as the number, with permission to its lodges in the colonies and foreign parts to fix the number at two.

The Grand Lodge of Ireland requires unanimous vote, unless by-laws of the lodge provide differently.

The Grand Lodge of Canada in the province of Ontario, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Alberta fix the number at two, but permit lodges to require a unanimous ballot.

The Grand Lodge of British Columbia requires three.

The Grand Lodges of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island require unanimous vote.—[*Masonic Sun.*]

David Husted Wright.

On Wednesday, July 9th, surrounded by family and friends, Bro. David H. Wright, Past Grand Master, the pioneer resident of Madison and oldest living member of the masonic order in Wisconsin, celebrated his 93d birthday. The venerable brother is hearty and active, and talked interestingly to the visitors who came to see him.

"I don't know whether I will live to be 100 or not," Bro. Wright said. "I never drink alcoholics or use tobacco, but I wouldn't exactly attribute my long livelihood to that. My son, who is a physician, two years ago pronounced me as near physically perfect as a man aged forty."

Many of the visitors received at the Wright home were masons. Bro. Wright is a Thirty-third degree mason and for many years a regular attendant at the annual state masonic meetings. He received many letters and telegrams of congratulations.—[*Masonic Tidings.*]

Under Arkansas, Bro. Jenks of Wisconsin comments as follows:

The address of the Grand Master contains a report on Belgium Masonry, prepared by Bro. Albert J. Kruger. We learn from this report that Masonry has existed in Belgium ever since 1671, when the Mons Lodge, la Parfaite Union, was established, which Lodge still, it is claimed, is in existence. Until 1820, the Masonry which existed in Belgium Lodges was of a decidedly Catholic character. On every proposal for initiation or affiliation, invariably appeared the remark, "candidate is of the Catholic, Apostolic and Roman religion." On the death of a brother, three masses were celebrated at the expense of the lodge. On St. John's Days, their banquets were preceded by a Grand Mass in the church. Members of the Catholic clergy presenting themselves for initiation were always accepted unanimously. This condition of affairs, however, was changed by the result of the Battle of Waterloo, since which time the church of Rome has proscribed Masonry, and now asserts that Masons are in league with the Evil One, who they pretend are present at masonic meetings. Naturally in Belgium, Masonry has become a vantage point largely, from which to combat the Catholic hierarchy. This is indeed unfortunate, as the mission of Masonry is much larger and more important than that of combating any creed or denomination.

Belief in God.

The existence and belief in God has been for years, in fact, centuries, a masonic belief. Those of you who are familiar with masonic history, must know that until the year 1650, Masonry, as then practiced, was essentially a Christian organization, and that only since that time has it confined its belief, as stated, to its candidate, to "One ever-living and true God." This belief has become a practical landmark of the Craft. A man may be Jew, Mohammedan, Christian or what he pleases, so long as he be-

lieves in one God. We read in the Scriptures that St. Paul found on Mars Hill an altar dedicated to "The Unknown God." Theism has been for years the basis of all mysteries, whether masonic or otherwise, and no one community or organization can arrogate to itself the right to take that belief from the Altar of Masonry. It is not a question of whether you use the Holy Bible, tho Koran, or the Veda, but it is the question that every man entering the portals of this institution must believe and must specify his belief in One, Almighty Father.

—[*Grand Lodge Proceedings, New Mexico.*]**Masonic Confidence.**

In a recent case, where a man was hung for the murder of another man, it was claimed that the murderer was in love with the victim's wife, and that this was the motive for the crime. It appeared, also, that before the murder, a friend of the murdered man told him that his wife was untrue, and that her betrayer was the man who afterwards took his life.

"Impossible!" exclaimed the husband. "Why, that man is a mason. I, too, am a Mason, and he knows it. I cannot and will not believe your story."

Soon afterwards the murder was committed. The confiding husband, the man who trusted his brother Mason, met his death at the hands of that brother.

It is horrible to contemplate this awful case. The faith of the one, the fearful perfidy of the other, form a terrible tragedy unsurpassed in the annals of crime.

But out of the blackness of this great tragedy, how beautifully and how gloriously appears the sublime masonic confidence of the murdered man. He was a mason who would not believe evil of his brother; who would not lose faith in his brother; who would not give credit to the rumors of the unfaithfulness of his brother. He believed in Masonry; he was faithful to the teachings of Masonry; he felt that every mason was true to the obligations of Masonry.

He was foully betrayed. His splendid faith cost him his life. But he went to his death gloriously and triumphantly believing in a Mason's honor and a Mason's fidelity.

Oh, that all Masons would take this lesson to heart. Oh, that no Mason should betray his trust, and violate his most sacred obligation. Oh, that no traitor should be admitted within our tiled doors to betray the hallowed name of Mason.

God grant that we may never read or hear of another case where the fair name of Masonry shall be trailed in the slime of dishonor—where the trust of a brother shall be betrayed.

Let us guard with eternal vigilance the other door!—[*Masonic Herald.*]

Have you ever heard of a lodge meeting held at midnight, yet in the full light of day? This unusual event occurred at the North Cape and a number of English brethren, from various lodges, who were on a tour of the "Land of the Midnight Sun" participated in this extraordinary communication. The meeting was held on an elevated point one thousand feet above sea level, in lat. 71° min 40 sec. N., long 26° min. 30 sec. E.—[*Square and Compass.*]

Old York Ritual.

Bro. Clement T. Stretton, Secretary York Division Freemasons (Operative), of Leicester, England, writes under date of Oct. 3, 1913, to the *Masonic Sun* of Toronto.

In your issue of September, page 67, Bro. W. H. Whyte makes a statement to the

effect that the York Rite is a purely American Rite, largely the creation of a Bro. Webb in the 1797-1802 period. It would certainly be of interest to masonic students to have some authority for such a statement.

As Secretary of the York Division of the Worshipful Society of Free Masons, etc. (Operative), I have the scrolls and records of the York Division for my examination.

There is ample proof that in the year A. D. 926 (nearly one thousand years ago), King Athelstan granted a charter to the Masons, giving them power to hold a meeting at York, and to make rules and regulations to govern their trade of Masonry. The ritual used and the whole of the documents are known as "Old York Ritual." Several of the ancient Masons' scrolls dating from 1390 are at present to be seen in the British Museum, London.

Showing that York was a center for Freemasonry in early times, attention may be directed to the fact that there are records at the York Library to prove that in the year 1425 the Cathedral authorities "had some trouble with the Worshipful Society of Masons (Operative)," also that in 1428 the trouble had been settled, and at York Minister a Lodge of Twenty Stone-cutters, six Stone-layers and two Mason's Apprentices were engaged on special work on the Cathedral.

This Cathedral or "Minster" Lodge has continued to work from 1428 to the present day, but it is to be regretted that owing to a "strike" a few years ago, most of the members left the Free Masons' Lodge and joined a Workman's Trade Union. The important point to which attention is directed is that this Lodge used "Old York Ritual" the whole time since the formation in 1428.

It is a well-known fact that Ancient Operative Freemasonry was originally a religion and a trade combined, and so it remains in the Worshipful Society of Freemasons Operative—the motto being, "In the Lord is all our Trust."

In the year 1923 a great split took place between the old Operative Society at York, and the London Grand Lodge of England, the cause being that the Rev. Dr. Anderson in his 1723 constitutions struck out the name of God, and consequently the Operative York Masons ceased all communications with London Masons working under the Andersonian constitutions. For no less than ninety years the question of the name of God divided the two parties, but in 1813 (a hundred years ago) the two parties united and the name of God was returned to the Lodges under the Grand Lodge of England—and it is perfectly certain that Freemasons in England, be they Speculative or Operative, will never change from the belief in God, which is the foundation upon which Freemasonry rests.

The opening ceremony which appears in your issue for September, page 73, has been copied from the "Old York Ritual" rewritten in 1686, and is still in use in all the Operative Freemasons' Lodges to this day—and the Society will be only too pleased to furnish further portions of this old ritual for publication in the *Masonic Sun*.

DIED.

DORR J. STRYKER at Woodfords Oct. 16, aged 54. A member of Aurora Lodge, and all the other masonic bodies of Rockland.

HELEN BLAKE in Portland Oct. 29, aged 44, wife of Charles W. Blake, P. M. of Deering Lodge.

FRANCIS L. SENIOR in Sanford Nov. 9, aged 64.

A member of Preble Lodge and White Rose Chaptles.

THOMAS W. BURR in Bangor Nov. 12, aged 81. (See editorial.)

ENOCH FOSTER in Portland Nov. 15, aged 74 y. 6 m. 5 d. He had been a judge of the Supreme Court and was a leading lawyer. He was the Senior Past High Priest of Oxford Chapter of Norway, but had never taken the Order of High Priesthood. He was a member of Portland Commandery. He was a member of the Loyal Legion, having been an officer in the 13th Maine.

GEORGE H. TURNER in Augusta Nov. 20, aged 57. A member of Ancient Land-Mark Lodge, Mt. Vernon Chapter, Portland Commandery and other Portland masonic bodies.

HENRY N. FAIRBANKS in Bangor Dec. 17, aged 75. A member of St. John's Commandery and other masonic bodies. Capt. in 13th Maine.

EDWARD HENRY WILSON in Yarmouth Dec. 30, aged 79 y. 7 mo. 9 da. Born in Cumberland May 21, 1834. Adjutant 13th regiment, Deputy U. S. Marshal and member of Casco Lodge and Cumberland Chapter. A very genial and much esteemed man.

JOHN M. RAMSEY in Blaine Jan. 2, aged 65. A member of St. Aldemar Commandery, Aroostook Chapter and Aroostook Lodge.

SIR JOSIAH PIERCE in Hanover, Germany, Dec. 26, aged 86. A native of Gorham, graduate of Bowdoin 1846, a former citizen of Portland; knighted in Russia where he built rail roads. Initiated in Ancient Land-Mark Lodge Aug. 4, 1852, but never affiliated.

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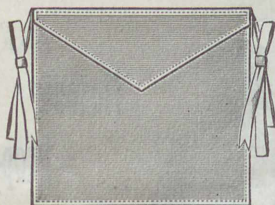
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