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Love and I.

Love and I went wandering all on a summer day,
The red rose gave us greeting, the lilies lit our way,
And high above each lucent pool a mated bird sang clear;
"Love is the lord of life and death at the flowering of the year."

Love and I went wandering an Indian summer day,
In every orchard apples burned, and every wood was gay;
Yet in a sheltered nook we heard a laggard robin flute:
"Love is the lord of life and death when flowers have come to fruit."

Love and I fared forth again all on a bitter day,
The good green world that laughed before all grim and icy lay;
And low, beside a cottage hearth we caught a fleeting breath:
"Love that has gone through life with me abides with me in death."

Love and I go faring on through fine or stormy weather,
Or smooth the way or rough the way we follow it together.
And ever from the shining heights a fairy voice we hear:
"Love ruleth life and time and space—and love is always near."
—[Martha McCulloch-Williams in Ainslee's.]

MASONRY IN MAINE.

Grand Lodge.

Tuesday, May 4, 1915.

The Grand Lodge met in its 96th annual communication Tuesday at 9 A. M., Grand Master Thomas H. Bodge of Augusta, presiding.

The Grand Lodge mourns the loss of three Past Grand Masters during the year, Collamore of Bangor, Spofford of Deer Isle and Kimball of Norway, leaving only ten living, of whom five were present.

Grand Master Bodge presented an interesting address detailing his doings for the year, which was listened to with close attention.

The Grand Secretary reported that a piece of mast pine had been sent by parcel post to South Australia to form part of a setting

maul to be used in laying the corner stone of a new Masonic Temple, and that its safe arrival was acknowledged, a noteworthy illustration of the efficiency of the postal service. He also said this was the 60th year he had occupied the secretary's desk, a striking record.

The report on returns showed 30,884 members, a gain of 590. The initiates were 1,392 and the deaths 592.

At noon the Grand Lodge called off until 2 P. M.

Tuesday Afternoon, May 4th.

The Grand Lodge met at 2 o'clock. Reports of committees were received and at 3 o'clock the following were elected:

Gr. Master—Thomas H. Bodge, Augusta.
D. G. Mas.—Waldo Pettengill, Rumford.
S. G. W.—Fred Raymond, Livermore Falls.
J. G. W.—Frank B. Arnold, Dexter.
Gr. Treas.—Albro E. Chase, Portland.
Gr. Sec.—Stephen Berry, Portland.
Committee of Finance—Hugh R. Chaplin, Bangor; Edmund B. Mallet, Freeport; Elmer A. Doten, Portland.
Trustees Charity Fund for Three Years—Archie L. Talbot, Lewiston; Leander M. Kenniston, Camden.
Trustees for Two Years—Edmund B. Mallet, Freeport; Ashley A. Smith, Bangor.

At 4:45 the Grand Lodge was called off until 2 Wednesday Afternoon.

Wednesday Afternoon, May 5th.

The Grand Lodge spent the afternoon in witnessing the conferring of the third degree by Bethlehem Lodge of Augusta, John C. Arnold, Master.

Thursday Morning, May 6th.

The Grand Lodge met at 9 A. M. The petition for a new lodge at Old Orchard was postponed.

The Grand Officers were installed by Past Grand Master Frank E. Sleeper of Sabattus, the following being appointed:

Corresponding Grand Secretary—Convers E. Leach, Portland.

District Deputy Grand Masters.

Districts.

- 1 William S. Davidson, Fort Fairfield.
- 2 Winfield F. Packard, Princeton.
- 3 William C. Irons, Addison.
- 4 Julian N. Hooper, Sedgwick.
- 5 Erwin G. Ryder, Brownville.
- 6 Ralph W. Moore, Hampden.
- 7 Charles W. Jones, China.
- 8 Edward Goodwin, Lincolnville.
- 9 Albert H. Newbert, Rockland.
- 10 Victor K. Montgomery, E. Boothbay.
- 11 W. Leslie Maloon, R. F. D. 2, Sabattus.

- 12 Sanger N. Annis, Waterville.
 - 13 Carl C. Piper, Fairfield.
 - 14 Fred E. Ward, Freeport.
 - 15 Fred E. Trefethen, Wilton.
 - 16 John M. Holland, Dixfield.
 - 17 Edgar F. Caswell, Gorham.
 - 18 James W. Eastman, Fryeburg.
 - 19 J. Burton Roberts, Goodwin's Mills.
 - 20 Pitt H. Jones, Springfield.
 - 21 Edwin F. Clapham, West Sullivan.
 - 22 Benjamin S. Mathews, Pittsfield.
 - 23 Frank D. Fenderson, Limerick.
 - 24 William H. Hartshorn, Lewiston.
 - 25 Samuel R. Crabtree, Island Falls.
- Gr. Chaplains—Revs. William H. Fultz, Portland; David L. Wilson, Bath; I. James Merry, Kittery; Henry E. Dunnack, Augusta; Ashley A. Smith, Bangor.
Gr. Mar.—L. Elwood Jones, Winthrop.
G. S. D.—George F. Giddings, Augusta.
G. J. D.—Chas. LeRoy Jones, Waterville.
Gr. Stewards—Elmer A. Doten, Portland; Charles B. Davis, Waterville; Ralph H. Burbank, Biddeford; David E. Moulton, Portland.
Gr. Sw. Br.—George R. Hall, Lewiston.
Gr. St. Br.—John N. Foye, Canton.
Gr. Pursuivants—Warren C. King, Portland; J. Irving Hayden, Raymond.
Gr. Lect.—Frank E. Sleeper, Sabattus.
Gr. Org.—Walter S. Smith, Portland.
Gr. Tyler—Winslow E. Howell, Portland.

After dispatching other routine business the minutes were read and approved and the Grand Lodge closed at 11:15.

Grand Chapter.

Tuesday Evening, May 4th.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Maine met in its 90th convocation at 7 o'clock, Grand High Priest Wallace N. Price of Richmond, presiding.

Fifty-five of the 63 chapters were represented and 13 of the 17 living Past Grand High Priests were present.

Grand High Priest Price presented an excellent address and the other Grand Officers reported, all showing the Rite to be in a most prosperous condition.

The report on returns showed 10,536 members, a gain of 179. There were 486 candidates and 206 deaths.

Gold jewels were presented to all the living Past Grand High Priests, 14 being present to receive them.

The following officers were elected:

- G. H. P.—Wallace N. Price, Richmond.
D. G. H. P.—James A. Richan, Rockland.
Gr. King—Frederick O. Eaton, Rumford.
Gr. Scribe—John J. Marr, Island Falls.

Gr. Treas.—Albro E. Chase, Portland.
Gr. Sec.—Stephen Berry, Portland.

Committee of Finance—Franklin R. Redlon, William N. Howe and Herbert W. Robinson, all of Portland.

At 10 o'clock the Grand Chapter was called off until 9 A. M. Wednesday.

Wednesday Morning, May 5th.

The Grand Chapter met at 9 o'clock. A dispensation was granted for a new chapter at Bingham.

The Grand Officers were installed by Past Grand High Priest Thomas H. Bodge of Augusta, the following appointments being made:

D. D. G. H. Priests—Clifford J. Pattee, Belfast; L. Elwood Jones, Winthrop; Samuel B. Furbish, Brunswick; Franklin P. Clark, Portland.

Gr. Chaplains—Revs. Ashley A. Smith, Bangor; David L. Wilson, Bath; Pliny A. Allen, Rockland; Wm. H. Mousley, Portland.

Gr. Capt. Host—Fred C. Chalmers, Bangor.

Gr. Prin. Soj.—Thomas E. McDonald, Portland.

Gr. R. A. Captain—Wilson D. Barron, Camden.

Gr. Mas. 3d Vail—Harry S. Grindall, Waterville.

Gr. Mas. 2d Vail—Mark P. Smith, Vinalhaven.

Gr. Mas. 1st Vail—John A. Webber, Auburn.

Gr. Stewards—Silas B. Adams, Portland; Russell V. Matthews, Boothbay Harbor.

Gr. Lect.—Frank E. Sleeper, Sabattus.

Gr. Sent.—Winslow E. Howell, Portland.
At 11 o'clock the Grand Chapter was closed.

Order of High Priesthood.

Wednesday Evening, May 5th.

The Council of High Priesthood for Maine met at 7 o'clock, Vice President Albert M. Penley of Auburn presiding, President Alfred S. Kimball of Norway having recently died.

Twenty-two candidates from all parts of the state were received into the order.

The following officers were elected:
President—Albert M. Penley, Auburn.
Sen. Vice Pres.—James E. Parsons, Lubec.
J. Vice Pres.—Jas. H. Witherell, Oakland.
Treas.—Convers E. Leach, Portland.
Rec.—Stephen Berry, Portland.
Mas. of Cer.—Wilbur A. Patten, Portland.
Conductor—Lester M. Andrews, Oakland.
Chaplain—Rev. Ashley A. Smith, Bangor.
Steward—Frank J. Cole, Bangor.
Warden—Warren C. King, Portland.

At 9:40 the Council closed.

Grand Council.

Wednesday Afternoon, May 5th.

The Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Maine met in its 61st annual assembly at 2 o'clock, Grand Master James A. Richan of Rockland presiding.

Fourteen of the 15 councils were represented, and 11 of the 19 living Past Grand Masters were present.

Grand Master Richan reported the Rite in good condition, although he had arrested the charter of the council at Calais, which had been in a dying condition for some years.

The report on returns showed 4,952 members, a gain of 43; 234 had been admitted and 99 had died.

The following officers were elected:

G. Mas.—Charles B. Davis, Waterville.
D. G. Mas.—Wilmer J. Dorman, Belfast.
G. P. C. W.—Franklin P. Clark, Portland.
G. Treas.—Albro E. Chase, Portland.
G. Rec.—Stephen Berry, Portland.

The officers were installed by Past Grand Master Albert M. Penley of Auburn, the following appointments having been made:

G. Chap.—Rev. Ashley A. Smith, Bangor.
G. M. Cer.—Thomas H. Bodge, Augusta.
G. Capt. Gd.—Edward K. Gould, Rockland.
G. Con.—Fred C. Chalmers, Bangor.
G. Stew.—Geo. H. Plummer, Skowhegan.
G. Sent.—Frank M. Hunnewell, Portland.

After other routine business the Grand Council was closed.

Grand Commandery.

Thursday Afternoon, May 6th.

The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar for Maine met in the 64th conclave at 2 P. M., Grand Commander Ralph W. Crockett of Lewiston, presiding. The attendance was large. A detachment of Portland Commandery acted as escort and conducted the visiting officer, E. Bentley Young of Boston, representing the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, U. S., with his suite into the asylum.

Frederick C. Thayer, Grand Standard Bearer of the Grand Encampment, was also received with full honors.

Twenty-one of the 23 commanderies were represented. The reports of Grand Officers were received and referred to the several committees.

The report on returns showed 5,621 members, a net gain of 12. There had been 233 knighted and 130 died.

A pending proposition to change the time and place of meeting was indefinitely postponed.

The following officers were elected:

G. Com.—Arthur S. Littlefield, Rockland.
D. G. Com.—Edmund B. Mallet, Freeport.
G. Geno.—Franklin R. Redlon, Portland.
G. C. Gen.—J. Frederick Hill, Waterville.
G. S. War.—Wilmer J. Dorman, Belfast.
G. J. War.—Edw. W. Wheeler, Brunswick.
G. Prel.—Rev. James F. Albion, Portland.
G. Treas.—Albro E. Chase, Portland.
G. Rec.—Stephen Berry, Portland.

It was voted to procure gold jewels for all Past Grand Commanders.

The officers were installed by visiting

Grand Officer Young. Owing to the absence of the newly elected Grand Commander, who was at his brother's funeral, the five remaining officers were not appointed.

At 6 o'clock a recess was taken for supper.

The supper lasted until 8 o'clock, many excellent speeches being made, including one by U. S. Senator Johnson of Maine.

At 8 o'clock the Grand Commandery resumed work. Routine business was disposed of, and at 8:15 the Grand Commandery adjourned to attend the concert at City Hall to which all were invited by Convers E. Leach, Generalissimo of Portland Commandery.

Gr. Commander Littlefield will appoint:
G. St. Bearer—Elisha Pratt, Rumford.
G. Sw. Bearer—Alfred Saunders, Calais.
G. Warder—Edward K. Gould, Rockland.
G. C. Gd.—Winslow E. Howell, Portland.
Mil. Inst'r—Thos. H. Anderson, Portland.

St. Croix Council.

On January 14th Grand Master James A. Richan of the Grand Council arrested the charter of St. Croix Council, No. 11, at Calais, as he was authorized to do, and sent it to the Grand Treasurer for safe-keeping.

At the stated meeting of Atlantic Lodge in March, 20 Past Masters of Deering Lodge visited in a body. There are 27 living Past Masters of Deering Lodge in all.

Bro. Leander M. Kenniston and wife celebrated their golden wedding April 19th, at the home of their daughter in Camden.

St. John's Day.

On St. John's Day, June 24th, Trinity Commandery of Augusta proposes to entertain Maine Commandery of Gardiner, St. Alban of Portland, Claremont of Rockland, De Molay of Skowhegan, Saint Omer of Waterville and Palestine of Belfast. There will be a big parade and a review by the Grand Commander and the Governor.

Books, Papers, etc.

A Sketch of the Life and Character of Constantine the Great, by Geo. W. Warvelle of Chicago, is a 12 page octavo pamphlet. While written in the interest of the Red Cross of Constantine, this is an impartial statement of the faults as well as the virtues of the Emperor and therefore is instructive as well as interesting.

We have received from Gr. Commander Wm. F. Bowe of Augusta, Ga., a 32 page pamphlet entitled The Masonic Christian Degree or the Order of the Temple by Rev. M. Ashby Jones, an attempt to show the connection between Templary and Masonry.

George W. Warvelle, Grand Secretary of Illinois, sends us a 30 page pamphlet of observations in the Order of High Priesthood, a subject he is qualified to treat ably.

MASONIC STANDARD. Charles C. Hunt has relinquished the editorship of the Ma-

sonic Standard of New York in order to devote himself to his duties as Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter, and is succeeded by Charles W. Jennings.

MADISON, Wis., Feb. 25, 1915.

MY DEAR BRO. BERRY:

I just called on Uncle David H. Wright and found him very well and quite active at 95 years of age. Last week he was elected the 45th time Grand Treasurer of the Grand Chapter of Wisconsin, and 44th time Grand Treasurer of the Grand Council of Wisconsin.

At the present time he is Prelate in the Commandery and Captain of the Host in Chapter, attends all the meetings and performs the masonic burial service for both lodges here.

Last Tuesday he went eight miles in the country to perform funeral services for a brother 88 years old of his acquaintance. He also installed for both lodges here.

He spoke of his visit to Maine ten years ago next May, and said that was one of the most pleasant times of his life, and wishes to be remembered to you all.

Fraternally yours,

JAMES H. WITHERELL.

Exchanging Lodge Visits.

One of the pleasures and advantages of membership in a Masonic Lodge is the opportunities it affords for visiting other lodges, enjoying the delights of masonic intercourse and extending one's acquaintance with masons and Masonry. As travel broadens the mind by its varying views of men and manners, so masonic travel enlarges our knowledge of all matters masonic, brushing away the narrow provincialisms which result from sticking close to our own masonic fireside.

In this jurisdiction the average lodge meets twice a month, but the mason who is particularly interested in the work, or who desires to spend his spare evenings in masonic company, or who is prevented by more serious matters from attending on the evenings of his own lodge communications, is free to visit other lodges whenever it pleases him to do so. Owing to the spirit of masonic courtesy which prevails, and the universal custom of the Craft, he will be a welcome visitor wherever he may choose to go. If he be a stranger, he will be welcomed and clothed and made to feel that he is among brethren. If he be a former visitor, he will be received as one of the household. And so for the man who is socially inclined, and enjoys the sort of work in which Masonic Lodges engage, the Masonic Fraternity is better than any club.

The importance of visitation is recognized by the Grand Lodge of England, in the following general regulation:

149. The Master and Wardens of a lodge are enjoined to visit other lodges as often as they conveniently can, in order that the same usages and customs may be observed throughout the Craft, and a good understanding cultivated amongst Freemasons.

The custom of visitation is so thoroughly understood and so generally practiced in this city and throughout this state, that there is no need to urge it upon our readers. Not only the Masters and Wardens, but the lay members understand its advantages and receive its benefits. With us the

visitations are usually made as individuals, but occasionally lodges interchange visits and receive no little pleasure and profit therefrom.

Now comes the Grand Master of Mississippi with a new idea on this old subject. New ideas in our time worn fraternity are so rare as to excite our curious attention when they are really new. Grand Master Robert A. Carson, who presided over the Craft of Mississippi in 1914, conceived such a good opinion of the benefits of exchanging lodge visits that he issued a letter to all the lodges of the jurisdiction, calling attention to the advantages to be derived from such visits, and particularly from the working of degrees by the officers of the visiting lodges. Following his argument in favor of visitations he springs his new idea:

I therefore call upon every member of the Craft in this jurisdiction to assist me in making the following official order operative and effective:

It is my order that the subordinate lodges of this jurisdiction exchange official visits some time during the months of September, October or November, at which time the visiting brethren shall confer the Third Degree upon a real candidate for the benefit and instruction of the visiting lodge, using none but their own members in the work. It shall be understood that the lodge visited will be required to return the visit and exemplify work in a similar degree for the visiting lodge.

The degree team from each lodge shall consist of at least six brethren.

He requested the Master of each lodge to "notify the Grand Master at once upon receipt of this order, advising hearty co-operation and support," and directed that details be arranged for and carried out by the District Deputy Grand Lecturers. The Grand Master reported to the Grand Lodge that the response to his order was "both prompt and cordial on the part of the lodges," and that he was greatly pleased with the support his idea had received. He had received many letters testifying to the pleasure and benefit derived from the plan.

The "new" part of this idea is not the exchanging of visits among lodges, but the compulsory exchange of such visits by order of the Grand Master, and placing the arrangements in the hands of a Grand Lodge officer, whose duty it is to see that the lodges comply with the order.

If the exchange of lodge visits is of benefit in Mississippi, it ought to be worth while in this state. That it tends to promote interest in the lodges and sociability among the brethren, widening the scope of their masonic vision and enlarging the familiarity with masonic work and customs, there can be no doubt.

Our lodges have exchanged visits to a limited extent for many years. The more general, and perhaps systematic, exchange of such visits is a practice to be recommended and encouraged. It would cure that tired feeling which afflicts many of the brethren.—[*Masonic Standard*.]

Grand Master Colding, of Georgia, ruled that a lodge by-law providing for the appointment of a Finance Committee of three members, to hold office for three years, one term expiring each year, was illegal, as an infringement on the prerogative of the Master to appoint all committees. Under such a by-law the Master would appoint only one of the members of the Finance Committee.—[*Masonic Standard*.]

Our Masonic Exchanges.

- 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.
- Illinois Masonic Review, Arcola, Ill., mo., \$1.00
- Kansas City Freemason, weekly, \$1.
- Long Island Masonic News, Brooklyn, N. York, semi-monthly, \$1.
- Masonic Chronicler, Chicago, Ill., weekly, \$1.50.
- Masonic Home Journal, Louisville, Ky., bi-monthly, \$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., wky, \$2.
- Masonic Sun, Toronto, Ont., monthly, \$1.
- Masonic Tidings, Milwaukee, Wis., mo. \$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.

In Blossom Time.

(Prize poem by Elizabeth Mitchell Dukes (age 11), in June St. Nicholas.)

The brooklet sings a lullaby, to buttercups and clover;
The south wind, to the cloudlets high, a drowsy song hums over;
The valley lilies ring their bells,
And dreamily the music swells.
Strawberries, round-faced toppers red,
Drink sun-wine, in the garden bed,
While on a mossy table green
Their fairy goblets may be seen.
To "Larkspur Inn" comes from the sky
A pilgrim—'tis a butterfly.
So calm, the waters of the lake
Against the shore no ripples break,
A primrose petal, like a boat
'Midst water-lilies white, would float;
While 'round the sun-dial roses climb,
And wait for their sweet "blossom time."

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

Annual Meetings.

Grand Lodge week was favored with fairly good weather and the attendance was large. We sadly missed the three Past Grand Masters and Past Grand Commander who had died during the year, as well as Leander W. Fobes, Grand Treasurer of Chapter, Council and Commandery. Charles I. Collamore was the Senior Past Grand Master, and for half a century had been prominent in Masonry. As Chairman of Grievances and Appeals his awards had been strict and severe but were never questioned. Past Grand Master Spofford was only in middle life, but had proved himself wise and able and he was much esteemed. In parting with him in the Spring, we both felt that on account of my age we might not meet again, but neither dreamed that the dread disease cancer would remove him in the prime of life. Past Grand Master Kimball was a man whose strong, deep voice attracted instant

notice when heard, and we were attracted to him many years ago when we met him at a Templar excursion in the mountains. Later association when he was Grand Master and twelve years association with him as President of the Council of High Priests had brought us closely together. Past Grand Commander Hutchinson was an able and excellent officer. With Grand Treasurer Fobes we had been associated closely for a generation, as our fathers had been before us, and we were very dear friends. These we missed, but many old friends were here, and new ones are added yearly.

The business went through promptly and the craft were shown to be in good condition.

The Templar supper which completed the sessions was crowned by an admirable speech from U. S. Senator Charles F. Johnson, who is a Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, and much beloved by the craft, and Bro. Convers E. Leach's invitation to the whole Grand Commandery to attend the municipal concert, sent them away pleased and happy.

At the 50th anniversary of Hugh de Payens Commandery of Melrose, Mass., celebrated March 27th, Grand Commander Crockett produced a strong impression. The Melrose Free Press says of him:

It is saying nothing derogatory to other speakers to state that the real orator of the evening was Eminent Sir Ralph W. Crockett, of Lewiston. Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Maine; he was, and always is, a real orator in every sense of the term. He brought a cordial message from the Sir Knights of Maine and spoke for half an hour at the end of a long session with such eloquence that never a man moved, excepting at intervals to express approval by applause; but every man present felt a new pride, a greater power in himself because he was one of the valiant band of a quarter of a million Knights Templar in the United States.

We missed Past Grand Master Henry R. Taylor of Machias for the first time for many years. He sent a letter of excuse and the Grand Lodge telegraphed greetings to him.

John W. Ballou, of Bath, Senior Past Grand Commander, was detained at home by illness, and his absence was much regretted, for he has been present for half a century until this year.

Dr. Bial F. Bradbury, of Norway, Past Grand Master of the Grand Council, was kept away by the death of his wife. He hurried home from Germany, where he was engaged in Red Cross work, on account of her illness, but came in time only to bid her farewell.

It is stated that there were over 6,000 masons in the first Canadian Contingent to the war.

Richard Lambert, the veteran Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, has been retired by electing him Grand Secretary Emeritus with a salary of \$1,200 a year. He had served 40 years as Assistant and as Grand Secretary. John A. Davilla succeeds him.

Thomas White Davis, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, who died Dec. 28th, as stated in our last issue, was born in Michigan City, Ind., Nov. 1, 1844, he was therefore 70 years old. His illness was pneumonia and it was very brief. He was a very efficient and a very courteous officer.

The Grand Lodge of Kentucky has adopted a regulation that all who take the Master's degree must learn a lecture and pass a satisfactory examination in it before being allowed to vote or hold office. This would be a valuable plan if all could learn, but many cannot remember, and it is not fair or expedient to deprive them of privileges for the failure.

The Grand Lodge of Ohio repudiates the National McKinley Birthplace Association in its soliciting of subscriptions from lodges, and especially condemns the use of chain letters for that purpose.

The highest lodge in the world is a Scottish lodge at Cerro de Pasco in the Peruvian Andes, at an altitude of 14,200 feet. It is called Roof of the World Lodge, No. 1094.

Obituaries.

JOHN BOROUGH, Gr. Master of Gr. Council of Indiana in 1899, died in Mishawaka Dec. 31st, aged 71. Born in Ohio March 17, 1843. Served in U. S. Signal Corps in civil war, and became a homeopathic physician.

JAMES H. PRICE, the veteran Gr. Secretary of the Gr. Chapter of Delaware (since 1887), died in Delaware Hospital, Wilmington, Dec. 12th, having been struck by an automobile while crossing a street Dec. 7th. His age was 65, he having been born in Brandywine Hundred near Wilmington Feb. 19, 1850. His successor is Stuart J. Horn of Wilmington.

THOMAS P. SATTERWHITE, JR., Gr. Commander of Kentucky in 1913, died in Louisville Jan. 4th. Born June 7, 1862.

WILLIAM WENTE, Gr. Treasurer of the Gr. Lodge of Michigan and Gr. Representative of the Gr. Lodge of Maine, died in Manistee Feb. 25th.

ORESTES B. SENTER, Gr. High Priest of Ohio in 1893, died at Eustis, Fla., Feb. 21st, aged 71. Born in Boston, Mass., Dec. 17, 1843. He was Gr. Master of the Gr. Council in 1878, and Gen. Gr. Master U. S. Gr. Council 1891 to 1894.

HENRY M. WATERS, Gr. High Priest of Kansas in 1883, died Feb. 22d. Born Jan. 17, 1841. He was also Gr. Commander in 1883.

HENRY W. LONG, Gr. Master of Florida in 1889, died at Mastel Jan. 2d, aged 84. Born in Cedar Creek, S. C., Feb. 3, 1831. Was a 2d lieutenant in the Confederate service throughout the civil war. Was Gr. High Priest in 1870.

JOSEPH A. MILLER, Gr. Master of Nevada in 1900, died at Oakland, Cal., Dec. 12th, aged 69. Born in New York City Feb. 7, 1846. He served in the 12th New York infantry in the civil war.

FRANK BURKITT, Gr. Master of Mississippi in 1879, died Nov. 18th, aged 71. He was Gr. Commander in 1904.

JOSEPH R. JOHNSON, Gr. High Priest of Connecticut in 1905, died in Essex Dec. 29th, aged 68.

WILLIAM JONES TERRILL, Gr. Commander of Missouri in 1882, died in Burlington, N. Jersey, Oct. 30th, aged 80. Born Nov. 11, 1834.

OWEN B. HANNAN, Gr. High Priest of Ohio in 1904, died in Canton Dec. 27th, aged 61.

EDWIN H. DUNNING, Gr. Master of Gr. Council of Indiana in 1892, died in Goshen Feb. 1st, aged 76.

ALPHEUS B. SIMMONS, Gr. Commander of Georgia in 1909, born in Irwinton Oct. 19, 1864, died in Little Forest near Savannah Feb. 11th.

JOHN LESLIE, Gr. Master of Manitoba in 1899, died in Winnipeg Feb. 13th. Born in Scotland Aug. 16, 1852. He was also Past Gr. Z. of the Gr. Chapter.

WILLIAM J. MILLIGAN, Gr. Commander of Pennsylvania in 1908, died in Philadelphia Jan. 18th, aged 63.

JOHN McCracken, the ninth Gr. Master of Oregon, and Gr. Representative of Maine, died in Portland Feb. 15th. Born in London, England, July 11, 1826. He was Gr. High Priest in 1861-2-3.

WM. L. KUYKENDALL, Gr. Secretary of Gr. Lodge of Wyoming, died in Denver, Col., at the home of his son, March 8th.

JOHN J. MERCER, Gr. Master of Nebraska in 1889, died at Omaha Feb. 25th. Born at New Bethlehem, Pa., Jan. 1, 1833. He was Gr. High Priest in 1898, and Gr. Master of the Gr. Council the same year.

MARTIN DUNHAM, Gr. Master of Nebraska in 1873, died in Omaha Feb. 18th. Born at Clarks, Pa., Nov. 10, 1836.

WM. CHAPMAN JENNESS, Gr. Commander of Maryland, died suddenly in Baltimore Feb. 28th. Born in Abingdon March 10, 1850.

ISRAEL W. POWELL, first Gr. Master of

British Columbia (1871), died in Victoria Feb. 25th, aged 78.

JAMES CALLAN, Gr. High Priest of Connecticut in 1901, died in Waterloo March 14th. Born in Douglas, Scotland, April 12, 1841.

JOHN B. GARRETT, Gr. Secretary and Recorder of Tennessee, died in Nashville March 26th. Born Oct. 7, 1854. He was Gr. High Priest in 1892, and was President of High Priesthood. Stith M. Cain of Nashville was appointed to his place.

ALSOP P. WOODWARD, Gr. Commander of Georgia in 1894, died in Atlanta March 17th. Born in Bluffton, S. C., May 4, 1847.

GEORGE H. JENKINS, Gr. Commander of Kansas in 1898, died in Kansas City, Mo., March 26th. Born in Illinois Aug. 21, 1849.

FRANK C. HOLMES, Gr. Commander of Michigan in 1905, died at Alpena March 14th. Born at Milford April 7, 1858.

RALPH C. CHRISTIANCE, Gr. Master of Gr. Council of New York in 1888, died in Ithaca Dec. 16th. Born in Medina Jan. 29, 1836.

JOHN R. WILKINSON, P. G. H. Priest and P. G. Master of Council of Georgia, died in Atlanta April 7th. Born in Newman June 20, 1856.

AUGUSTUS C. GOLDEN, Gr. Commander of Connecticut in 1882, died at Norwalk April 8th. Born in Greenwich Nov. 23, 1853.

ANSON BARTLETT, Gr. High Priest of North Dakota in 1911, died at Brainerd, Minn., April 17th. Born at Winnebago, Minn., Dec. 13, 1859.

HENRY HURLBERT INGERSOLL, Gr. Master of Tennessee in 1888, died in Knoxville March 12th, aged 71. Born in Oberlin, Ohio, Jan. 20, 1844. He was lawyer and judge. As a Templar Correspondent he was considered brilliant.

Alfred Sanders Kimball,

Grand Master in 1899 and 1900, and President of the Order of High Priesthood, died in Norway April 12th, aged 72 yrs, 3 mos. and 23 days, having been born in Waterford Dec. 20, 1842. He was a leading lawyer, an influential democratic leader, Representative to the Legislature in 1874-6-8, State's Attorney, 1880-1-2, Custom Appraiser in Portland, 1894-98, and President of the Norway Savings Bank.

He married Florence A. Houghton of Waterford in 1866, and leaves one son, Merton L.

He was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge in 1899 and 1900, Grand Scribe of the Grand Chapter in 1909, Grand Master of the Grand Council in 1907, and President of the Order of High Priesthood from 1903 until his death, succeeding Comp. Drummond.

In the Scottish Rite he had been an Hon-

orary Member of the Supreme Council 33° since 1906, having been Commander of Maine Consistory.

He was an able man, genial and much esteemed and beloved by his associates.

Harrison B. Brown,

The landscape painter, died at the home of his daughter in London, England, March 10th, at the age of 85. He was born in Portland, learned the trade of house painter of Charles Fobes and developed into an artist soon after graduating. His marine views first attracted attention to his work, but he did some excellent mountain pictures. He was a member of several of the Portland bodies, including Portland Commandery, which for many years he drilled and was one of the six members of Portland Commandery who became charter members of Bradford Commandery of Biddeford in 1857, to help start it, only one of whom now survives, the Grand Recorder.

Robert Freke Gould.

This eminent historian and venerable and kind brother died at his home in Woking, England, Friday, March 26th, at the age of 78 years. His last letter to us dated St. John's Day in December indicated great illness of which he spoke, hoping for the best, however, and that he might see the 60th anniversary of his initiation, and we had been anxious on his account.

He had been an army officer, a Barrister and finally a masonic historian. His work was very valuable and he was the acknowledged authority on masonic history. Following the conservative example of Hughan, he discarded the myths and sought only ascertained facts.

We shall miss him sadly.

Samuel Essenden Bearce,

Born in New Gloucester Feb. 25, 1839, and named after an honored member of the Craft, died of Bright's disease in Deering district of Portland March 22d, aged 76 years, 25 days. He was a merchant for half a century, succeeding Dana & Co. in the salt and fish business, and married Miss Julia H. Brown, who survives him.

He was a member of Ancient Landmark Lodge, Greenleaf Chapter, Portland Council, Portland Commandery, and all the Scottish Rite bodies, and was made a 33° in 1888, one of the 25 of that grade in Maine. He had been Recorder of the Red Cross of Constantine for 40 years, since its organization. He had held many other offices in the various bodies and was an active and popular member of the fraternity. He belonged to other organizations and his genial disposition made him a favorite. He was buried from Masonic Temple by Ancient Landmark Lodge, the Rev. Dr. Albion officiating.

Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep.

Rocked in the cradle of the deep
I lay me down in peace to sleep;
Secure I rest upon the wave,
For thou, O Lord! hast power to save.
I know thou wilt not slight my call,
For Thou dost mark the sparrow's fall;
And calm and peaceful shall I sleep,
Rocked in the cradle of the deep.

When in the dead of night I lie
And gaze upon the trackless sky,
The star-bespangled heavenly scroll,
The boundless waters as they roll,
I feel Thy wondrous power to save
From perils of the stormy wave;
Rocked in the cradle of the deep,
I calmly rest and soundly sleep.

And such the trust that still were mine,
Though stormy winds swept o'er the brine,
Or though the tempest's fiery breath
Roused me from sleep to wreck and death.
In ocean cave, still safe with Thee
The germ of immortality!
And calm and peaceful shall I sleep,
Rocked in the cradle of the deep.

—[Emma Hart Willard.]

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What lodge shall be next added?

Well Known English Mason Dead.

American Masons will learn with deep regret of the death on February 20 of Bro. Clement E. Stretton, Secretary of the York Division, No. 8, Operative Masons, England. Brother Stretton passed away after a very short illness at the age of sixty-four. He was one of the best known masons of England, an earnest student and capable gentleman. His death will be a severe loss to the fraternity.—[Tyler-Keystone.]

—The Grand Chapter of Ireland has amended its Constitution so that the title of "Most Excellent" shall be applied to elective officers of the Grand Chapter, "Very Excellent" to appointive officers, and "Excellent" to the three principal officers of subordinate chapters.—[Masonic Standard.]

The Mystic Shrine.

A trip to the summit of Mount Rainier, junket to the Strait of Juan de Fuca on an ocean-going steamship; midsummer floral dream and allegorical pageant; barbecue and monster Mardi Gras covering the entire downtown section, will be the principal entertainment features of the 41st annual session of the Imperial Council, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, to be held at Seattle, Wash., July 11-17 inclusive. The Imperial Council meeting will begin Tuesday morning, following a brilliant pageant through the streets with all bands, patrols and marching bodies in line. During the afternoon a lawn fete will be given in Volunteer Park for the wives of the nobles. A side trip will be taken to the Puget Sound navy yard to permit the inspection of battleships and a monster dance with five bands providing the music will be held in the evening. The second big parade will come Wednesday when all bands, patrols and nobles will be reviewed by the Imperial Potentate and his divan. A strawberry festival will be held in the afternoon and the nobles and their wives will be entertained at Alki Point bathing beach. On Thursday, when the Imperial Council will close its deliberations, the bands and patrols will be guests at a barbecue at Woodland Park, at which field sports, regimental review, exhibition drills and massed band concert will be features. A water cruise along the entire Seattle water front will be another entertainment event for the Shriners and their wives. Two special excursions, one to Mount Rainier and one on Puget Sound, will occupy all of Friday. The latter trip will extend almost to the Canadian border, and will include visits at numerous cities, inspection of salmon canneries and a journey through the scenic San Juan Islands. The week will close Saturday with a decorated automobile and float parade during the afternoon and a second pageant in the evening, headed by the Tili-kums of Elttaa's, a booster order founded on the Indian legendry of the Northwest.

—[Masonic Standard.]

The Origin of the Grade Master Mason.

By Count Goblet D'Alviella.

Towards the end of the sixteenth century a new element began to appear in the lodges in Scotland, and shortly afterwards in England. They began to open their doors to those who had nothing to do with the builders' art. These honorary members, also styled speculative, theoretic, geometric, as contrasted with masons operative, practical, dogmatic, were at first landed proprietors, clergymen, officers and noblemen whose patronage would be of service to the Corporation. When we get well on to the sixtieth year of the seventeenth century we find that men of letters, and of science, doc-

tors, professors and antiquarians, joined the Society in increasing numbers. As early as 1646, we learn from the autobiography of Elias Ashmole, the "gentlemen" were in a majority in the lodge at Warrington.

In the "Charges" published in 1663, we find the rule that no one can be received as a mason unless in the body of a lodge containing at least five masons, of which one only must be "a Workman of the trade of Freemasonry." In 1670 the Lodge of Aberdeen only had eight or ten Operative Masons out of a membership of forty. The W. M. was a tutor.

At the beginning of the following century the Lodge of York was recruited entirely from the ranks of Speculative Masons. During all that period Freemasonry seems to have been most attractive to men of education.—[New England Craftsman.]

The Sprig of Acacia.

The acacia is one of the most beautiful evergreens of Palestine. It is often found growing in the dry bed of some extinct brook, where all other trees have died out. The wood is fine grained and hard, of a brown color. The leaves are small and pinnulate, and its blossoms are little tufts of yellow fiber-like hair; the seeds are in pods. The largest acacias in Palestine are those growing near the fountains of Eugeni, on the west shore of the Dead Sea, several of which are from six to eight feet in diameter. They are found growing all along the coast of the Jordan, south of the Sea of Galilee. Its use by the Masonic Fraternity is well known. It is an evergreen and therefore a very appropriate emblem of life beyond the grave.—[Masonic News.]

The Shamrock's Turning Red.

The Irish heart is tender and the Irish lass is true,
With lips that dare the roses and eyes that shame the blue.
But her laughing voice is silenced; her eyes are filled with dread,
For the dear old Isle is shadowed, and the Shamrock's turning red.
Dark days for struggling Ireland, and darker still the cry
Of her maidens as they wander with downcast, dewey eye,
And scan the long war bulletins that register the dead,
For her lover's in the trenches and the Shamrock's turning red.

What to her is King or Kaiser or President or queen?
What to her the orange, yellow or the "wearing of the green?"
When the air is filled with mystery, and voices overhead
Are whispering a requiem for Ireland's silent dead.
Weeping on the banks of Shannon where the Irish lilies grow;
Where her brave, young soldier laddie first told her he must go;
With the fighting blood of Ireland bravely shining in his eye,
She is clinging to the memory of her laddie's last goodbye.

Brave, bonny maid of Ireland with a love so deep and true,
God grant in gracious mercy that your lad come back to you;
But if war's cruel fate decree in foreign land he rest,
May they find a sprig of Shamrock to lay upon his breast.
Brave, bonny lass of Ireland with your face as white as snow,
Weeping on the banks of Shannon where the Irish lilies grow;
No wonder that your heart is crushed and lowly hangs your head,
When all light has turned to darkness and the Shamrock's turning red.

Ira C. Edwards, 22A.
—[Masonic Observer.]

The Grand Master of Florida proposes to keep the square and compasses out of politics. He found that a candidate for public office issued a campaign card, with his photograph placed inside the square and compasses. The Grand Master called the matter to the attention of the campaigner's lodge and asked them to take action. Charges were preferred, the brother was tried and found guilty of unmasonic conduct and sentenced to suspension for six months.—[*Masonic Standard*.]

Our Thanks.

ALABAMA.—Gr. Lodge Dec. 2, 1914, from Geo. A. Beauchamp, Montgomery, Gr. Sec. Henry C. Miller, Birmingham, G. M. 550 lodges, 27,548 members, 2139 initiates.

Gr. Chapter Nov. 30, 1914, from Geo. A. Beauchamp, Gr. Sec. Norman Gunn, Jasper, G. H. P. 67 chapters, 4149 members, 463 exalted.

Gr. Council Dec. 1, 1914, from Geo. A. Beauchamp, Gr. Rec. Woolsey Fennell, Tuscaloosa, G. M. 11 councils, 767 members, 76 candidates.

ARKANSAS.—Gr. Lodge Nov. 17, 1914, from Fay Hempstead, Little Rock, Gr. Sec. Charles E. Rosenbaum, Little Rock, G. M. 562 lodges, 20,962 members, 1512 initiates.

CONNECTICUT.—Gr. Commandery March 16, 1915, from Eli C. Birdsey, Meriden, Gr. Rec. George H. N. Johnson, Bridgeport, Gr. Com. 11 commanderies, 4171 members, 162 knighted.

KANSAS.—Gr. Lodge Feb. 17, 1915, from Albert K. Wilson, Topeka, Gr. Sec. Wm. L. Burdick, Lawrence, G. M. 411 lodges, 42,412 members, 2813 initiates.

MAINE.—Gr. Chapter Eastern Star 1913 and 1914, from Mrs. Annette H. Hooper, Biddeford, Gr. Sec. 161 chapters, 18,487 members, 1294 initiates.

MASSACHUSETTS.—Gr. Council Dec. 7, 1914, from J. Gilman Waite, Boston, Gr. Rec. Wm. H. L. Odell, Dorchester, G. M. 32 councils, 9262 members, 589 candidates.

IOWA.—Gr. Chapter Oct. 8, 1914, from W. F. Cleveland, Harlan, Gr. Sec. John W. Cory, Spencer, G. H. P. 128 chapters, 13,248 members, 1040 exalted.

MINNESOTA.—Gr. Lodge Jan. 20, 1915, from John Fishel, St. Paul, Gr. Sec. Harry M. Burnham, Jackson, G. M. 257 lodges, 30,411 members, 2281 raised.

MISSISSIPPI.—Gr. Lodge Feb. 16, 1915, from Fred G. Speed, Vicksburg, Gr. Sec. Jesse M. Brooks, Clarksdale, G. M. 373 lodges, 20,073 members, 1416 raised.

Gr. Chapter Feb. 18, 1915, from Fred G. Speed, Gr. Sec. Clarence S. Cullens, New Albany, G. H. P. 75 chapters, 4447 members, 367 exalted.

NEW MEXICO.—Gr. Lodge Oct. 19, 1914, from Alpheus A. Keen, Albuquerque, Gr.

Sec. Raleigh F. Hare, State College, G. M. 41 lodges, 3361 members, 269 initiates.

Gr. Chapter Oct. 22, 1914, from Alpheus A. Keen, Gr. Sec. Amos W. Pollard, Deming, G. H. P. 18 chapters, 1137 members, 92 exalted.

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PENNSYLVANIA.—Gr. Chapter Dec. 27, 1914, from Stockton Bates, Philadelphia, Gr. Sec. Porter W. Lowry, Butler, G. H. P. 298 chapters, 35,118 members, 1855 candidates.

TEXAS.—Gr. Commandery April 7, 1915, from John C. Kidd, Galveston, Gr. Rec. Wm. G. Newby, Fort Worth, Gr. Com. 61 commanderies, 6553 members, 496 knighted.

VICTORIA.—Gr. Lodge 1914, from Chas. James Barron, Melbourne, Gr. Sec. Hon. Charles Carty, Salmon, Gr. Master.

DIED.

FRANCES O. KING in Portland Jan. 21, aged 79. Widow of Marquis F. King.

FRANK M. HIGGINS in Limerick Jan. 26, aged 67. A member of Portland Commandery.

DAVID H. KNOWLTON in Farmington Feb. 10, aged 70.

NEWLAND BISHOP in Portland March 2. A member of Portland Commandery.

HARRISON B. BROWN in London, England, March 10, aged 85. (See editorial.)

HORATIO S. BLANCHARD in Waterville Feb. 23, aged 84. A member of Waterville Lodge and a charter member of Teconnet Chapter.

SAMUEL F. BEARCE in Portland March 22, aged 76. (See editorial.)

ALFRED S. KIMBALL in Norway April 12, aged 72 yrs. 3 mos. 23 days. (See editorial.)

OSCAR D. RAND in West Buxton April 14th, aged 64. Dist. Dep. Gr. Master 23d District.

FRANK L. BUKER in Wells March 29, aged 70. The veteran secretary of Ocean Lodge.

CHARLES R. MILETTT in Minot March 17, of apoplexy, aged 58. A trustee of Tyrian Lodge of Mechanic Falls.

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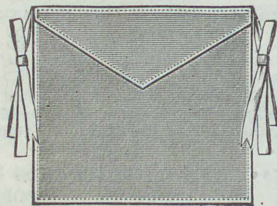
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