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AT ITS SEVENTY-FIRST ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois, the Seventy-first Annual Communication was held in the city of Chicago, at Medinah Temple, commencing on Tuesday, the 11th day of October, A. D. 1910, A. L. 5910, at 10 o'clock a. m., and was opened in AMPLE FORM by the M.W. Grand Master, Albert B. Ashley.

The R.W. Grand Chaplain, J. Webster Bailey, led the devotions.

PRAYER.

Supreme Ruler of the Universe, we pause in the rush of our busy lives to address Thee. Thou art our Father, and we are thy children. We invoke Thy blessing upon us as we begin the duties devolving upon us as members of this Grand Lodge. Look with Thy favor upon us, we beseech Thee. Grant us wisdom from above. May self-interest be lost in the larger interests of our fraternity. Let brotherly love continue. Prosper Thou Thy work of our hands. Bless all our officers, and grant that each one may set a high estimate upon his stewardship. May this conference together fit us better for our life's work, and may we so order our lives that we may be daily building that "house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens." Amen.

REPORT—Committee on Credentials.

Bro. George W. Cyrus, chairman of the Committee on Credentials, announced that representatives from a constitutional number of lodges were present, and asked further time for completing the report. The request was granted.

COMMITTEES.

The R.W. Grand Secretary read the following names of brethren appointed by the M.W. Grand Master to serve on the various committees during the present session of the Grand Lodge:

JURISPRUDENCE—Edward Cook, A. H. Bell, J. C. Smith, C. E. Allen, W. B. Wright.

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES—M. C. Crawford, J. E. Dyas, Geo. R. Smith, H. H. Montgomery, H. A. Snell.

CHARTERED LODGES—C. F. Hitchcock, C. M. Turner, S. M. Shoemann, E. E. Beach, P. C. Barclay.

LODGES U.D.—H. C. Mitchell, John Johnston, I. H. Todd, J. W. Hamilton, S. S. Chance.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM—W. F. Beck, G. A. Lackens, H. T. Goddard.

FINANCE—S. O. Spring, N. N. Lampert, T. A. Stevens.

CORRESPONDENCE—Owen Scott.

TO EXAMINE VISITORS—C. H. Martin, S. S. Borden, A. H. Scrogin, R. F. Morrow, L. C. Johnson.

CREDENTIALS—G. W. Cyrus, J. N. Spicer, N. B. Carson.

PETITIONS—F. E. Baldwin, C. M. Carpenter, S. O. Pearce.

OBITUARIES—C. W. Harris, A. L. Whittenburg, F. L. Locke.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS—J. E. Wooters, H. L. Browning, D. E. Huggins.

RAILROADS AND TRANSPORTATION—J. O. Clifford, O. E. Tandy.

TRUSTEES MASONIC HOMES—Geo. M. Moulton, James A. Steele, Henry W. Berks, R. J. Daly, W. A. Dixon, Robert Fletcher.

During the opening exercises the Imperial Quartette rendered some very pleasing selections. A vote of thanks was extended to the Quartette by the Grand Lodge, and the Grand Master also extended his personal thanks for this courtesy.

GRAND MASTER'S REPORT.

The Grand Master then read his annual report.

Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

Pursuant to the Constitution and By-Laws of this M.W. Grand Lodge, it becomes my duty to submit a report of my work as your Grand Master during the year just closing.

We have seven hundred and eighty lodges and over one hundred thousand members. The wants and requirements emanating from so large a brotherhood make exacting demands upon the one on whom you have placed the responsibility of executive action during the past year. This has brought much labor and many anxious moments. So extensive have been my duties that it has required my entire time and energy for their discharge. It has been a cheerful service, because it was a labor of love. During the year we have passed the one hundred thousand mark in membership. While bigness is not always goodness, yet, when proper care and scrutiny have been exercised at the ballot box and by committees of investigation, we properly take pride in our large membership, the largest with one exception upon the American continent and the third largest on earth.

It is cause for congratulations that peace, harmony and prosperity prevail among the lodges and brethren of our great state.

In addition to this, our relations with the seventy-one grand lodges, with which we are in fraternal correspondence, are most cordial and friendly. Nothing has risen to mar that harmony which is the strength and support of all institutions, especially ours.

OUR DEPARTED BROTHERS.

Before passing into the details of the work for the year, it is fitting that we stand with bowed heads in memory of those workers in the quarries of life who have ceased to be our earthly companions and have gone into eternal rest and refreshment in the paradise of God.

During the year death has taken many worthy and distinguished craftsmen from among our membership as well as from other Grand Jurisdictions. For proper tributes to their memories I refer to the Committee on Obituaries.

M.W. BROTHER JOHN M. PEARSON.

On June 4, 1910, at his home in Godfrey, Past Grand Master John M. Pearson went from labor on earth to rest in Heaven. A ripe sheaf

has been garnered into the masonic storehouse of fraternity. It was my privilege to attend the funeral and conduct our beautiful burial service of this great man and Mason, surrounded by relatives, neighbors and friends who loved him. On June 7, 1910, I convened an emergent Grand Lodge to do him honor. On June 25, 1910, I issued the following obituary notice and caused a copy to be mailed to all constituent lodges and to all Grand Lodges in our correspondence.

FROM THE EAST OF THE
MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE
OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS
OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

DECATUR, ILLINOIS, JUNE 25, 1910.

To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of the Constituent Lodges of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois:

The silver chord is loosed, the golden bowl is broken and the gentle spirit of John Mills Pearson has returned unto God who gave it.

His long and useful life has enabled him to serve his fellow men with unselfish joy to himself and gladness to them.

His deeds of love, of justice and of mercy, constitute an enduring monument more imperishable than bronze or granite.

As a citizen, he stood for civic righteousness; as a man, for honorable and square dealings; as a Mason, for loyalty and fidelity to the craft.

Attention was called in the Grand Lodge at the grand communication of 1907, to the fact that Brother Pearson had been for fifty years continuously a member of that Grand Body. Being called upon, the sterling worth, modest demeanor and broad spirit of this veteran in Masonry were shown in these words, his last public utterance to his brethren of Illinois:

"I want to say to you that my connection with this Grand Lodge for fifty years, now, almost continuously, has been the pleasantest association that I have had in my life. I have received honors from you—all that you could give. I have tried to do what I could on the floor and in an official capacity. My brethren, meeting here, we have differed in things sometimes. The best men in the world differ; we have learned to respect each other, even when we differ, and that is the beauty of Masonry. The Grand Lodge, or subordinate lodge, respects a man if he does differ, and that has been a great lesson that I have tried to learn, and teach, so far as I had occasion in this Grand Lodge, and it affords me a great deal of pleasure, and I feel thankful to Almighty God that has spared my life to be with you so long a time."

John M. Pearson was born at Newburyport, Mass., October 7, 1832. He came to Illinois in 1848, locating at Alton, where he was married in 1855 to Catherine Godfrey. They had six children, four sons and two

daughters, of whom three survive. The elder son, Arthur G., lives in Chicago, and the daughter, Mrs. E. A. Mason, resides at Minneapolis, Minn. The second son, John L., lives at Oak Park, Ill., and is a member of the Masonic Lodge there. Mrs. Pearson died in 1892.

Brother Pearson was one of the first to engage in the manufacture of farm implements, but retired from that business when his partner died in 1866, and moved to a farm near Godfrey, Ill., where he has since made his home. Always interested in civic affairs, he served several years as a trustee of the University of Illinois, and as a member of the Illinois Railroad and Warehouse Commission. He served as state representative several terms, and was at one time President of the State Horticultural Society, as indicating his interest in such matters; and that for several years he was appointed by the governor as a member of the State Board of Live Stock Commissioners in which position he did some hard initial work in stamping out pleuro-pneumonia among cattle and glanders among horses.

The Masonic record of the departed tells of zeal, tact and properly directed ability. Made a Master Mason in Piasa Lodge No. 27, Alton, Ill., in 1853, he united with the Chapter that year, with the Council in 1854 and Commandery in 1859, and was the presiding officer of all these bodies. In 1883 he was made a Thirty-second Degree Mason in Oriental Consistory, and two years later received the honorary Thirty-third. He was the Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council, R. and S.M., in 1868; Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter, R.A.M., in 1869, and Grand Commander of Knights Templar in 1870. Elected Grand Master October 7, 1890—his fifty-eighth birthday—and re-elected the year following, he completed the acquisition of Masonic honors such as few men have enjoyed.

The funeral was held at Godfrey, on Tuesday, June 7, conducted by the Grand Master and other officers of the Grand Lodge.

It is ordered that this be read in full at the first stated communication of each lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction, and that the altar, stations and jewels be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days.

Attest:

ISAAC CUTTER,
Grand Secretary.

A. B. ASHLEY,
Grand Master.

WILLIAM BERRY GRIMES.

On the 12th day of April I was called to Pittsfield to bury R.W. Bro. Wm. Berry Grimes, who died after a lingering illness of several years.

Owing to his long and faithful services as a teacher of Masonry, his sterling worth, his prominence among the craft, and the love and affection in which he was held by the brethren throughout the state, I decided it fitting to bury him under the auspices of the Grand Lodge.

I, therefore, convened an emergent Grand Lodge for the occasion and conducted the burial services, assisted by his lodge and members of the fraternity from neighboring lodges, and surrounded by hundreds of his friends and neighbors.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

At the close of the last session of this Grand Lodge I appointed as my deputies, for the fifty Masonic Districts in Illinois, the following named brethren:

1 Harry W. Harvey...Chicago	26 Harry M. Palmer...McLean
2 R. R. Jampolis.....Chicago	27 C. L. Sandusky.....Danville
3 Albert Roullier. ....Chicago	28 Wilson P. Jones.....Tolono
4 David D. King.....Chicago	29 A. T. Summers.....Decatur
5 Wm. H. Bied.....Chicago	30 Sidney E. Breese..Springfield
6 Edw. W. Peterson...Chicago	31 C. P. Ross.....Jacksonville
7 H. Vanderbilt .....Chicago	32 W. W. Watson.....Barry
8 Jay L. Brewster..Waukegan	33 Emmett Howard ....Quincy
9 James M. Huff....Belvidere	34 Ralph M. Riggs..Winchester
10 John W. Oliver..Apple River	35 C. H. Burgdorff..Carlinville
11 B. A. Cottlow.....Oregon	36 D. W. Starr .....Raymond
12 J. H. Griffiths..Downers Grove	37 Chas. G. Young..Taylorville
13 W. C. Stilson.....Morrison	38 J. E. Jeffers.....Arcola
14 Milton T. Booth....Atkinson	39 H. Gasaway ....Martinsville
15 F. H. Bradley.....Princeton	40 W. H. Rupe.....Olney
16 J. M. Hannum.....Lostant	41 C. O. Faught.....Altamont
17 J. B. Fithian.....Joliet	42 Anthony Doherty..Clay City
18 N. T. Stevens.....Clifton	43 Enos Johnson...Upper Alton
19 L. E. Rockwood..Gibson City	44 Geo. S. Caughlan..E. St. Louis
20 John C. Weis.....Peoria	45 T. S. Browning.....Benton
21 C. T. Holmes....Galesburg	46 J. R. Ennis....Burnt Prairie
22 C. L. Gregory.....Aledo	47 I. A. Foster....New Haven
23 Geo. D. Bell.....Bushnell	48 W. D. Abney.....Marion
24 E. M. Crain .....Augusta	49 C. H. Thompson.....Cairo
25 L. W. Lawton.....Delavan	50 J. K. West.....Brookport

GRAND LECTURERS.

Soon after the close of the Grand Lodge one year ago, on recommendation of the Grand Examiners, I issued commissions to the following named Past Grand Examiners, Emeritus Grand Lecturers and Grand Lecturers:

PAST GRAND EXAMINERS.

William B. Grimes.....Pittsfield	H. T. Burnap.....Upper Alton
A. B. Ashley.....Decatur	H. A. Snell.....Litchfield
C. F. Tenney.....Bement	Isaac Cutter .....Camp Point
James John .....Chicago	M. B. Iott.....Chicago
H. S. Hurd.....Chicago	A. W. West.....Galesburg
J. R. Ennis.....Burnt Prairie	Charles S. DeHart.....Carthage

EMERITUS GRAND LECTURERS.

G. A. Stadler.....Decatur	D. D. Darrah.....Bloomington
John E. Morton.....Perry	H. S. Albin.....Chicago
W. O. Butler.....LaHarpe	A. G. Goodridge.....Chicago
Wm. E. Ginther.....Springfield	J. G. Seitz.....Upper Alton
T. H. Humphreys....Charleston	Enos Johnson .....Upper Alton
H. C. Yetter.....Galesburg	R. H. Wheeler .....Chicago
C. E. Allen.....Galesburg	

GRAND LECTURERS.

D. E. Bruffett.....	Urbana	Nimrod Mace	Bloomington
I. H. Todd.....	E. St. Louis	R. G. Bright	Normal
C. E. Groves.....	Rock Island	W. S. Welsh	Toulon
J. M. Willard.....	Decatur	N. B. Carson	Bloomington
J. E. Wheat.....	Sterling	David Richards....	Chicago Lawn
S. M. Shoemann....	McLeansboro	Louis J. Frahm.....	Chicago
W. K. Bowling.....	Thayer	Geo. E. Carlson.....	Moline
Chas. G. Young.....	Taylorville	E. C. Jackson.....	Chicago
James McCredie	Aurora	G. M. Harmison.....	Chicago
W. H. Peak	Jonesboro	H. M. Witt	Chicago
C. M. Hambleton..	Jeffersonville	J. K. West.....	Brookport
C. A. Lackens.....	Good Hope	A. T. Summers.....	Decatur
A. O. Novander.....	Chicago	C. B. Pavlicek	Chicago
J. B. Roach.....	Aurora	Andrew McNally	Chicago
T. N. Cummings....	Reevesville	J. M. Simpson.....	Chicago
Louis Pickett	Pullman	W. P. Jones	Tolono
Anthony Doherty	Clay City	W. H. Rupe.....	Olney
Charles T. Holmes....	Galesburg	W. W. Roberts.....	Nunda
C. P. Ross.....	Jacksonville	Alvin W. Caine.....	Chicago
Lawrence C. Johnson....	Galva	W. H. Welch.....	Lexington
Archibald Birse	Chicago	Hiram Vanderbilt	Chicago
F. M. Pendleton.....	Quincy	P. A. Reinhard.....	Peoria
R. W. King.....	Chicago	D. D. King	Chicago
E. E. Beach.....	Chicago	L. E. Simons	Chicago
W. H. Robson	Chicago	M. T. Booth	Atkinson
H. W. Harvey.....	Chicago	E. T. Osgood	Harvey
F. H. Moorehouse.....	Chicago	H. W. Mason.....	Bloomington
F. J. Burton.....	Chicago	C. L. Montgomery..	Blue Mound
I. A. Foster.....	New Haven	J. S. Edmondson	Decatur
G. R. Smith	Bloomington	F. D. Fletcher.....	Chatham
John H. Griffiths..	Downers Grove	C. M. Borchers	Decatur
A. Jampolis	Chicago	Frank H. Blose....	Bloomington
W. A. Dixon.....	Decatur	B. A. Cottlow.....	Oregon
Edw. W. Peterson.....	Chicago	T. H. Land	Carmi
Albert Davis	Chicago	A. I. Porges	Chicago
Albert Roullier	Chicago	William Fitch	LaSalle
E. D. Brothers.....	Chicago	William P. Grube	LaSalle
N. M. Mesnard.....	Boody	Samuel Bradford	Ottawa
John C. Weis.....	Peoria	Herman Blanchard	Ottawa
Adam Schmidt	Chicago	L. E. Rockwood....	Gibson City
Wm. Balhatchet	Chicago	W. A. Hoover.....	Gibson City
H. E. VanLoon.....	Chicago	L. B. Dyer	Chicago
Will C. Stilson.....	Tampico	Geo. N. Todd	Mattoon
H. C. Michels	Flora	W. G. Houghton	Chicago
C. J. Wightman....	Grays Lake	John F. Lockett	Chicago
Wm. Gardner	Chicago	J. M. James	Benton
W. H. Bied.....	Chicago	R. N. Strohn	Aurora
Wm. Rothmann	Chicago	O. E. Tandy	Jacksonville
Emmett Howard	Quincy	F. O. Lorton	Springfield
W. E. Anderson.....	Chicago	James L. Hammond..	Wilmette
J. M. Hederick.....	Chatham	William A. Mentzner..	Chicago
D. W. Starr.....	Raymond	Thomas Weeks	Bloomington
J. M. Hannum	Lostant	R. D. Mills.....	Ottawa

F. G. Trenary	LaSalle	Altamount B. Collom ...	Marissa
Wm. Elmer Edwards....	Chicago	John H. Brown	Chicago
Chas. S. Borden.....	Chicago	John W. Johnson	Chicago
J. E. Jeffers	Arcola	J. E. Glathart	Olney
Z. S. Saylor.....	Oakwood	David C. Hibbott	Chicago
S. C. Scrimger	Pekin	Boyd S. Blaine.....	Champaign
C. A. Prather	Edinburg	William N. Ewing.....	McLean
H. M. Palmer.....	McLean	Charles S. Lawrence...Lexington	
W. B. Moore	Chicago	T. Bryson Strauss...Gibson City	
W. D. Price	Chicago	B. I. Pumpelly.....	Atlanta
Harry A. Dever	Chicago	Arthur E. Wood.....	Gibson City
Walter E. Marble.....	Chicago	George Edwards	Chicago
Theodore Christensen ..	Chicago	Walter T. Boggess	Catlin
James M. Huff	Belvidere	Almon Stansberry	Westville
George Low	Chicago	N. E. Porter	Edinburg
H. H. Milnor	Chicago	Clarence A. Tucker.....	Findlay
H. O. Follath	Decatur	Herbert C. Bush	Decatur
Chas. H. Graves	Chicago	Frank H. Bradley.....	Wyanet
H. M. Robinson	Chicago	Lewis A. Brinkman	Chicago
C. H. Thompson	Cairo	Albert P. William.....	Chicago
Amos Ball	Gibson City	Thomas G. Kerwin.....	Chicago
O. H. Woodworth	Arcola	Elmer Tregay	LaSalle
R. H. Gully	Tolono	Richard B. Prendergast..	Chicago
R. M. Riggs	Winchester	Francis M. Cruikshank...Chicago	
Otto Brail	Chicago	George W. Flood...Rock Island	
J. W. Mills.....	Granite City	Sidney S. Pollack.....	Chicago
Alfred E. Holmes	Chicago	H. Gasaway	Martinsville
W. C. Trowbridge	Crete	J. A. Wesch	Arcola
C. L. Gregory	Aledo	J. I. Brydon	Martinsville
Frank F. Collins	Arcola	Benjamin Bing	Urbana
James F. Boyle	Chicago		

Since the close of Grand Lodge I have, on recommendation of the Grand Examiners, issued original commissions of Grand Lecturer to the following named brethren:

John M. Foreman.....	Palestine	Ira J. McDowell.....	Chicago
Oscar Formhals	Ottawa	Louis A. Kaiser.....	Tonica
Wm. H. Barnard	Ottawa	W. A. Speckman	Ottawa
Thos. E. Quincy	Chicago	Benj. F. Sincere.....	Chicago
Chas. A. Stephenson....	Chicago	Ora F. Chapin	Chicago
Homer D. Jackson.....	Chicago	Evan P. Jones	Chicago
Wm. R. Goodhart.....	Chicago	Ebenezer C. Tollotson...Chicago	
David S. Davidson.....	Chicago	Geo. D. Bell	Bushnell
A. A. Bauer.....	Blue Mound	Hans M. Rachlitz	Chicago
C. A. Stovall	Tuscola	John N. Fairchild.....	Danville
Charles A. Luse.....	Chicago	Wm. Scales	Ottawa
Hyman Silverman.....	Chicago	Chas. L. Tanner.....	Saunemin
Jas. Porter Clark...Martinsville		Spruel C. D. Rea.....	Benton
Thomas S. Browning	Benton	Arthur M. Bloxam...Taylorville	
Frederick W. Froelich..Brighton		Harry W. Crabb.....	Decatur
T. C. Hambleton...Jeffersonville		John Weatherson.....	Chicago
Chas. W. Kessler.....	Pawnee	Harvey A. Flock...Blue Mound	
Everett R. Turnbull...Carlinville		Roscoe C. Clark.....	Chicago
Edward G. Burger.....	Chicago		

EMERITUS.

Owen ScottDecatur G. S. DaughtryBushnell

LODGES CONSTITUTED.

At the last session of this Grand Lodge charters were ordered issued to seven lodges, which have since been constituted, each constituting officer acting as my proxy. They follow:

Bro. H. W. Harvey, D.G.M. of the First District, constituted Concord Lodge No. 917, of Chicago, on October 20, 1909.

Republic Lodge No. 914, at Chicago, was constituted on October 22, 1909, by Bro. Albert Roullier, D.G.M. of the Third District.

On October 23, 1909, Bro. W. H. Bied, D.G.M. of the Fifth District, constituted Jackson Park Lodge No. 915, of Chicago.

Aaron Lodge No. 913, of Chicago, was on October 28, 1909, constituted by Bro. H. W. Harvey, D.G.M. of the First District.

On October 30, 1909, Bellflower Lodge No. 911, of Bellflower, was constituted by R.W. Bro. N. B. Carson, of Bloomington.

Welcome Lodge No. 916, of Chicago, was, on October 30, 1909, constituted by Bro. R. W. Jampolis, D.G.M. of the Second District.

Steller Lodge No. 912, of St. Francisville, was, on November 12, 1909, constituted by R. W. Bro. C. H. Martin, Grand Examiner.

LODGES INSTITUTED.

I have during the year issued dispensations for the formation of eight new lodges. Their names, location and date of instituting are as follows:

On December 18, 1909, R.W. Bro. N. T. Stevens, D.G.M. for the Ninth District, acting as my proxy, instituted Grant Park Lodge at Grant Park, Kankakee county. Preliminary papers for this lodge were issued by my predecessor Brother Bell.

On February 1, 1910, R.W. Bro. E. W. Peterson, District Deputy for the Sixth District, acting as my proxy, instituted Compass Lodge, of Chicago.

On March 15, 1910, East Gate Lodge, of Chicago, was instituted by R.W. Bro. W. H. Bied, District Deputy of the Fifth District, acting as my proxy.

Acting as my proxy, R.W. Bro. H. W. Harvey, District Deputy for the First District, instituted Banner Blue Lodge, of Englewood, on April 28, 1910.

Malena Lodge was, on the 28th of June, 1910, instituted by R.W. Bro. C. N. Hambleton, acting as my proxy, at Golden Gate, Wayne county.

R.W. Bro. H. W. Harvey, District Deputy for the First District as my proxy, instituted Veritas Lodge, of Chicago, on July 12, 1910.

July 18, 1910, R.W. Bro. E. W. Peterson, District Deputy of the Sixth District, instituted, as my proxy, Candida Lodge, of Chicago.

On the 4th of August, R.W. Bro. C. P. Ross, acting as my proxy, instituted Ashland Lodge, at Ashland, Cass county.

CORNER-STONES LAID.

By request of the proper authorities the following corner-stones have been laid during the year by myself or by brethren acting as my proxy. A list of the Occasional Grand Lodges convened for these occasions will be found in the appendix to the Grand Lodge proceedings.

On October 14, 1909, immediately after the close of Grand Lodge, I convened an Occasional Grand Lodge, and escorted by several Commanderies and Masonic lodges, with M.W. Bro. Geo. M. Moulton, acting as Chief Marshal, proceeded to LaSalle Ave. and laid the corner-stone of the new Central Masonic Temple, in accordance with the ancient ceremonies of the craft and in the presence of many thousands of people. The principal feature of this important event was the very able, interesting and highly instructive oration delivered by Bro. James Hamilton Lewis, for which the craft is greatly indebted.

On November 15, 1909, with an Occasional Grand Lodge convened for that purpose, I laid the corner-stone of the First Christian church, at Urbana.

THE EVENT OF THE YEAR.

On April 30, 1910, on the beautiful site purchased for the purpose, and in the presence of several thousand people, I conducted the ceremonies of laying, in due and ancient form, the corner-stone of our new Orphans' Home at LaGrange. There were in line many Masonic bodies, consisting of Commanderies of Knights Templar, Royal Arch Chapters, Masonic Lodges, together with Eastern Star Chapters. These, under the direction of M.W. Bro. Geo. M. Moulton, as Chief Marshal, escorted the Occasional Grand Lodge and Board of Trustees of the Masonic Home to the Home site. The members of the Home in Chicago, now occupying temporary quarters, were in line in charge of the superintendent, Bro. C. E. Bassett, and were permitted to witness the laying of the corner-stone of their future home. These children attracted much attention and made a most favorable impression. The occasion was

marred by rain, which prevented several lodges from venturing out and cut short the oration of our Grand Orator, which was greatly regretted. The event was most imposing and will long be remembered by those who witnessed it.

On May 13, 1910, I convened an Occasional Grand Lodge and laid the corner-stone of the Decatur high school building, which is now in course of construction in that city. This building is to cost \$250,000 and when completed will be the pride of that community. There were in line on this occasion about one thousand Masons, consisting of Beaumanoir Commandery No. 9 and the Masonic lodges of Decatur, acting as escorts to the Occasional Grand Lodge. The ceremony was witnessed by many thousands of people. A very able and instructive oration was delivered by Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, of California.

On May 18, 1910, I officiated at the laying of the corner-stone of the First Presbyterian church at Newman. There were present Melita Commandery No. 37, of Tuscola, the Masonic lodge of Newman, besides many Masons from neighboring lodges. The event was in every way successful.

On June 22, 1910, R.W. Bro. D. W. Starr, acting as my proxy, laid the corner-stone of the new school building at Pochahontas.

July 20, R.W. Bro. D. D. Darrah, D.G.M., laid the corner-stone of the new Masonic Temple at Quincy, acting as my proxy. Brother Darrah reports that there were in line about one thousand Masons from Western Illinois, Southern Iowa and Eastern Missouri and that it was a splendid Masonic demonstration, and that it was a great credit to the brethren of Quincy.

On the 6th of August I laid the corner-stone of the new Consistory Temple at East-St. Louis. There were in line the two Masonic lodges of that city, escorted by Belvidere Commandery No. 2, of Alton. The Grand Master and other grand officers of the Grand Lodge of Missouri honored the occasion with their presence. This temple, when completed, will be one of the finest in the state.

September 28, I laid the corner-stone of St. Mary's Protestant Episcopal church at Danville.

On October 6, R.W. Bro. Isaac Cutter, Grand Secretary, as my proxy, laid the corner-stone of the new school building at Clayton.

DEDICATED.

I have during the year, either in person or by proxy, dedicated the following Masonic halls and temples. A roster of the Occasional Grand Lodges convened for these occasions will appear in the appendix.

On December 15, 1909, R.W. Bro. C. L. Sandusky dedicated the new Masonic Hall at Ridge Farm, in Vermilion county.

December 21, 1909, R.W. Bro. J. E. Jeffers dedicated the new Masonic Hall at Villa Grove, Douglas county.

January 18, 1910, R.W. Bro. J. W. Oliver dedicated the new Masonic Hall at Apple River, in Jo Daviess county.

On May 28, 1910, R.W. Bro. W. W. Watson dedicated the new Masonic Hall at Kinderhook, in Pike county.

On May 31, 1910, I dedicated the commodious Masonic Hall at Arcola, on which occasion a fine oration was delivered by the Rev. J. I. Gunn, a member of Arcola lodge.

R.W. Bro. D. D. Darrah, D.G.M., officiated at the dedication of the new Masonic Hall at Collison, in Vermilion county.

On October 10, 1910, I had the satisfaction of dedicating the new Central Masonic Temple of Chicago. My first official act after the close of Grand Lodge one year ago was to lay the corner-stone of this magnificent structure, and it was very pleasing to me that the two events should mark the beginning and ending of my official acts for the year.

On October 6, 1910, Bro. Geo. D. Bell, D.D.G.M. Twenty-third District, as my proxy, dedicated the lodge hall of Fairview lodge.

REVENUE.

During the year I have issued special dispensations to lodges and received the required fees therefor as follows:

Lakeview No. 774.....	\$ 2 00	Loraine No. 893.....	2 00
Anawan No. 433.....	2 00	Tracy No. 810.....	2 00
Kilwining No. 311.....	2 00	Oriental No. 33.....	2 00
Carnation No. 875.....	2 00	America No. 889.....	2 00
Excelsior No. 97.....	10 00	Corinthian No. 205.....	2 00
Bloomfield No. 146.....	2 00	Odell No. 401.....	2 00
Garden City No. 141.....	2 00	Apollo No. 642.....	2 00
Damascus No. 888.....	2 00	Martha No. 410.....	2 00
Blazing Star No. 458.....	2 00	Sequoit No. 827.....	2 00
Havanna No. 88.....	2 00	Waldick No. 674.....	2 00
Lockport No. 538.....	5 00	Lessing No. 557.....	2 00
Harrisburg No. 325.....	2 00	Home No. 508.....	2 00
Gibson City No. 733.....	20 00	D. C. Cragier No. 643.....	2 00
Kaskaskia No. 83.....	2 00	Herder No. 669.....	2 00
Cherry Valley No. 173.....	2 00	Vermilion No. 265.....	2 00
Warsaw No. 257.....	2 00	Herder No. 669.....	2 00
Plainview No. 461.....	2 00	Oriental No. 33.....	2 00
Rockland No. 282.....	2 00	Compass U.D.....	2 00
Versailles No. 108.....	2 00	E. St. Louis No. 404.....	2 00
Chicago No. 437.....	2 00	Kosmos No. 896.....	2 00
Hindsboro No. 837.....	2 00	DeSoto No. 287.....	\$ 5 00
Corner Stone No. 875.....	2 00	Cleveland No. 211.....	2 00
Rockton No. 74.....	2 00	Lakeside No. 739.....	2 00

Mansfield No. 733.....	2 00	East Gate U.D.	2 00
Summit No. 431.....	2 00	Park No. 843.....	2 00
Columbia No. 474.....	2 00	Concord No. 917.....	2 00
Vitruvius No. 81	2 00	Durand No. 302.....	2 00
Morris No. 787.....	2 00	Oriental No. 33	2 00
Chambersburg No. 373.....	2 00	Oriental No. 33.....	2 00
Chapel Hill No. 719.....	2 00	Jno. D. Sherman No. 380..	2 00
Welcome No. 916.....	2 00	Germania No. 182.....	2 00
Apollo No. 642	2 00	Accordia No. 277.....	2 00
New Burnside No. 772....	2 00	Chicago No. 437.....	2 00
J. N. Gorin No. 537.....	2 00	Oriental No. 33.....	2 00
Oakland No. 219.....	2 00	Ogden Park No. 897.....	2 00
Cornell No. 868.....	2 00	Constantia No. 783.....	2 00
Andrew Jackson No. 487..	2 00	Kenwood No. 800.....	2 00
Aikin No. 494.....	2 00	Omaha No. 729.....	2 00
Viriden No. 161.....	2 00	Keystone No. 639.....	2 00
A. W. Rawson No. 145....	2 00	McHenry No. 58.....	2 00
Star in the East No. 166..	2 00	John B. Sherman No. 880..	2 00
Nebo No. 806.....	2 00	Linden No. 750.....	2 00
Sycamore No. 134.....	2 00	DuQuon No. 237.....	2 00
Thos. J. Turner No. 409..	2 00		

I have also during the year issued dispensations for instituting eight new lodges for which I have received fees as follows:

Grant Park, at Grant Park	\$100 00
Compass, at Chicago	100 00
East Gate, at Chicago	100 00
Banner Blue, at Chicago	100 00
Melena, at Golden Gate	100 00
Veritas, at Chicago	100 00
* Candida, at Chicago	100 00
Ashland, at Ashland	100 00
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Total	\$800 00
Special Dispensations	206 00
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Total receipts	\$1,006 00

All of which has been sent to the Grand Secretary.

MASONIC SCHOOLS.

Following the long established and most worthy custom, Schools of Instruction were held as follows:

- Freeport, January 11, 12 and 13.
- Bushnell, January 25, 26 and 27.
- Streator, February 8, 9 and 10.
- Benton, February 22, 23 and 24.
- Springfield, March 8, 9 and 10.

These schools were most admirably conducted by the Grand Examiners. There was an unusually large attendance. A most interesting feature was the fact that at most of them a large attendance appeared

early on the first day and remained throughout. A growing interest in the standard work is decidedly manifest. It was my privilege to attend four of these schools. A full report of the Grand Examiners will be found in the appendix.

CHERRY MINE DISASTER.

In November last our state and nation were appalled at the great mine disaster at Cherry, Bureau county. Hundreds, including several Masons, were entombed in the mine, never to see the light of day or loved ones again. Thousands were left penniless and had not prompt assistance come, great suffering would have followed. The necessity of prompt action was manifest. I conferred with the Finance Committee and found that owing to the large expenditures in building and maintaining our homes, our treasury would not justify an adequate appropriation from the Grand Lodge fund. I, therefore, on November 29, 1909, issued the following appeal:

FROM THE GRAND EAST OF
THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE
A. F. AND A. M.
OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

DECATUR, ILLINOIS, November 29, 1909.

To the Worshipful Masters, Wardens and Brethren of the Constituent Lodges of Illinois:

Dear Brethren: The world is appalled at the mine disaster at Cherry, Illinois. Hundreds of men were entombed alive, and but few who were in the mine have been able to escape. Humanity stands aghast at such destruction of life and its attendant results. Hundreds of women and children are rendered penniless by this great loss. Destitute widows and helpless orphans need our assistance. It is thought fifteen to twenty Masons have lost their lives. Our first duty is to their widows and children, but we cannot, as Masons, shut our eyes to the scenes and our ears to the cries of the suffering, who are not Masons. A long and dreary winter is approaching and there will be great suffering, unless help comes from the outside.

I, therefore, as Grand Master, appeal to your lodge in behalf of the unfortunate and destitute, and ask that you contribute such sum as your treasury will warrant, to relieve the distressed widows and orphans. All sums should be sent to L. A. Goddard, Grand Treasurer, care of the State Bank of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois. I also ask you to send me the amount of such contributions, when remitting to the Grand Treasurer. The pressing need makes it necessary that you respond promptly.

Fraternally yours,

Attest:
ISAAC CUTTER,
Grand Secretary.

A. B. ASHLEY,
Grand Master.

As a result of this appeal four hundred and ninety lodges (including Madison Lodge No. 50, Madison, Wisconsin, and Lady Washington Chapter O.E.S., of Chicago, each of which gave \$25) responded, with a total of \$6,535.24.

The subscriptions ranged from 75c to \$100 for each contributor. This fund was turned over to a special committee of brethren at LaSalle, with power to dispense it at such times and manner as seemed best to them.

Statement of receipts and disbursements as per Grand Treasurer's report, follow:

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Illinois:

M.W. and Dear Bro.:—I am pleased to submit herewith report of the funds received and disbursed, contributed for the relief of the sufferers of the mine disaster at Cherry, Illinois:

No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.
5	Madison, Madison, Wis..\$ 25 00	908	Gil. W. Barnard, Chicago. 20 00
182	Germania, Chicago 25 00	888	Damascus, Chicago 10 00
187	Mystic Tie, Polo, Ill.... 20 00	803	Neponset, Neponset, Ill... 5 00
434	Makanda, Makanda, Ill... 5 00	491	Martin, E. Dubuque, Ill.. 5 00
126	Empire, Pekin, Ill..... 15 00	743	Scotland, Scotland, Ill.. 10 00
49	Cambridge, Cambridge, Ill. 5 00	784	Beacon Light, Norwood Park Sta., Chicago..... 5 00
298	Wauconda, Wauconda, Ill. 22 00	528	Minooka, Minooka, Ill... 10 00
789	Auburn Park, Chicago.... 10 00	550	Sharon, Tiskilwa, Ill.... 10 00
526	Covenant, Chicago 50 00	872	Free Will, Oakwood, Ill.. 5 00
758	Mystic Star, Chicago.... 25 00	260	Matton, Mattoon, Ill..... 10 00
409	Thos. J. Turner, Chicago. 10 00	136	Hutsonville, Hutsonville, Ill. 2 00
69	Eureka, Milan, Ill..... 5 00	530	Maquon, Maquon, Ill.... 5 00
414	Evening Star, Davis, Ill.. 2 00	222	George Washington, Chil- licothe, Ill. 5 00
857	Boyd D., Kirkland, Ill... 5 00	57	Trio, Rock Island, Ill.... 25 00
155	Alpha, Galesburg Ill.... 10 00	573	Gardner, Gardner, Ill.... 20 00
201	Centralia, Centralia, Ill.. 25 00	669	Herder, Chicago 25 00
37	Monmouth, Monmouth, Ill. 5 00	115	Rising Sun, Grayslake, Ill. 2 00
472	Amity, West Chicago, Ill. 10 00	316	A. Jonas, Loda, Iroquois County, Ill. 5 00
42	Mount Joliet, Joliet, Ill.. 25 00	66	Pacific, Knoxville, Ill.... 2 00
166	Star in the East, Rock- ford, Ill. 50 00	725	Rankin, Rankin, Ill..... 5 00
118	Waverly, Waverly, Ill.... 10 00	230	New Haven, New Haven, Ill. 5 00
831	Findlay, Findlay, Ill.... 5 00	59	New Boston, New Bos- ton, Ill. 10 00
612	Rock River, Sterling, Ill. 10 00	251	Heyworth, Heyworth, Ill.. 10 00
423	Lanark, Lanark, Ill..... 5 00	454	Maroa, Maroa, Ill..... 25 00
765	Palace, Pullman, Chicago. 20 00	141	Garden City, Chicago.... 25 00
842	Fides, West Pullman, Ill. 25 00	800	Kenwood, Chicago 100 00
882	Boulevard, Chicago 15 00	149	Efingham, Efingham, Ill.. 10 00
622	Hopedale, Hopedale, Ill.. 5 00	294	Pontiac, Pontiac, Ill..... 10 00
422	Landmark, Chicago 25 00	309	Harvard, Harvard, Ill.... 25 00
190	Dundee, Dundee Ill..... 5 00	696	Belle Rive, Belle Rive, Ill. 5 00
109	Trenton, Trenton, Ill.... 10 00		
873	Standard, Chicago 50 00		
159	Kewanee, Kewanee, Ill... 10 00		
302	Durand, Durand, Ill..... 5 00		
544	Virginia, Virginia, Ill.... 9 00		

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38	Olive Branch, Danville, Ill. 25 00	496	Colchester, Colchester, Ill. 5 00
	Richard Cole, Chicago.... 25 00	55	Washington, Nashville, Ill. 5 00
24	St. Clair, Belleville, Ill.. 25 00	188	Cyrus, Mt. Carroll, Ill.. 10 00
40	Occidental, Ottawa, Ill... 25 00	512	Wade-Barney, Bloomington, Ill. 20 00
165	Atlanta, Atlanta, Ill..... 5 00		l'otomac, Potomac, Ill... 10 00
3	Harmony, Jacksonville, Ill. 10 00	591	Gilman, Gilman, Ill..... 10 00
613	Patoka, Patoka, Ill..... 2 00	897	Ogden Park, Chicago.... 10 00
88	Havana, Havana, Ill..... 25 00	283	Meteor, Sandwich, Ill.... 5 00
8	Macon, Decatur, Ill..... 100 00	364	Tonica, Tonica, Ill..... 10 00
77	Prairie, Paris, Ill..... 5 00	767	Triluminar, Chicago 54 74
265	Vermilion, Indianola, Ill. 10 00	267	LaPrairie, Golden, Ill.... 5 00
898	Silvis, Silvis, Ill..... 10 00	580	Hazel Dell, Hazel Dell, Ill. 5 00
313	York, West Union, Ill... 5 00	92	Stewart, Geneseo, Ill..... 10 00
361	Douglas, Mascoutah, Ill.. 25 00	278	Joe Daviess, Warren, Ill.. 5 00
64	Benton, Benton, Ill..... 10 00	180	Moweaqua, Moweaqua, Ill. 3 00
371	Livingston, Dwight, Ill... 10 00	4	Springfield, Springfield, Ill. 10 00
325	Harrisburg, Harrisburg, Ill. 25 00	900	Carnation, Chicago 25 00
50	Carrollton, Carrollton, Ill. 10 00	909	Bee Hive, Chicago..... 25 00
374	Shabbona, Shabbona, Ill.. 5 00	555	Humboldt, Ottawa; Ill.... 25 00
389	Kankakee, Kankakee, Ill.. 10 00	318	J. L. Anderson, Augusta, Ill. 5 00
823	Pearl, Pearl City, Ill..... 10 00	1	Bodley, Quincy, Ill..... 10 00
804	Kensington, Chicago..... 25 00	210	Logan, Lincoln, Ill..... 25 00
398	Kinmundy, Kinmundy, Ill. 5 00	690	Englewood, Chicago 25 00
169	Nunda, North Crystal Lake, Ill. 5 00	577	Viola, Viola, Ill..... 25 00
391	Tolono, Tolono, Ill..... 5 00	686	Garfield, Chicago 50 00
178	Illinois Central, Amboy, Ill. 10 00	105	Winchester, Winchester, Ill. 5 00
	Murphysboro, Murphysboro, Ill. 10 00	810	Tracy, Chicago 25 00
297	Benjamin, Camp Point, Ill. 10 00	522	Monitor, Elgin, Ill..... 10 00
314	Palatine, Palatine, Ill.... 5 00	209	Wm. B. Warren, Chicago. 50 00
814	Ohio, Ohio, Ill..... 5 00	148	Bloomfield, Chrisman, Ill. 5 00
90	Jerusalem Temple, Aurora, Ill. 10 00	349	Sublette, Sublette, Ill.... 5 00
322	Windsor, Windsor, Ill... 10 00	557	Lessing, Chicago 25 00
91	Metropolis, Metropolis, Ill. 50 00	97	Excelsior, Freeport, Ill.. 25 00
716	Calumet, Blue Island, Ill. 10 00	303	Raven, Oswego, Ill..... 5 00
478	Pleiades, Chicago 50 00	160	Waubansia, Chicago 50 00
662	South Park, Chicago.... 25 00	850	Austin, Chicago 50 00
411	Hesperia, Chicago 25 00	271	Blaney, Chicago 25 00
874	Nifong, Modesto, Ill..... 3 00	880	Jno. B. Sherman, Chicago. 10 00
157	Urbana, Urbana, Ill..... 25 00	503	Odin, Odin, Ill..... 5 00
470	Rantoul, Rantoul, Ill..... 10 00	714	Collison, Collison, Ill.... 5 00
332	Tuscola, Tuscola, Ill..... 10 00	460	Jeffersonville, Jeffersonville, Ill. 5 00
536	Plainfield, Plainfield, Ill.. 10 00	576	O'Fallon, O'Fallon, Ill... 5 00
894	Utopia, Chicago 10 00	658	Rock Island, Rock Island, Ill. 25 00
836	Windsor Park, Chicago... 25 00	795	Myrtle, Chicago 25 00
122	Mound, Taylorville, Ill.. 10 00	78	Waukegan, Waukegan, Ill. 5 00
590	Fairmount, Fairmount, Ill. 5 00	127	Antioch, Russell, Ill.... 5 00
239	Mt. Carmel, Mt. Carmel, Ill. 20 00	52	Benevolent, Meredosia, Ill. 2 00
234	DuQuoin, DuQuoin, Ill... 10 00	790	Pittsfield, Pittsfield, Ill.. 25 00
29	Pekin, Pekin, Ill..... 5 00	724	Chandlerville, Chandlerville, Ill. 10 00
729	Lake Creek, Johnson City, Ill. 25 00		

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272 Carmi, Carmi, Ill.....	20 00	356 Hermitage, Albion, Ill...	10 00
866 West Salem, W. Salem, Ill.	5 00	312 Ionic, Decatur, Ill.....	50 00
832 Harvey, Harvey, Ill.....	20 00	901 Edgewater, Chicago	25 00
383 LaMoille, LaMoille, Ill...	10 00	532 Seneca, Seneca, Ill.....	5 00
824 Grove, Downers Grove, Ill.	10 00	273 Miners, Galena, Ill.....	10 00
751 Lounsbury, Barrington, Ill.	10 00	574 Pera, Ludlow, Ill.....	5 00
776 Grand Crossing, Chicago..	5 00	860 Metropolitan, Chicago ...	50 00
404 Batavia, Batavia, Ill.....	10 00	783 Constantia, Chicago.....	25 00
902 Alto, Steward, Ill.....	5 00	43 Bloomington, Bloomington, Ill.	10 00
469 McLean, McLean, Ill....	14 60	827 Sequoit, Antioch, Ill.....	10 00
293 Prophetstown, Prophetstown, Ill.	25 00	226 Pana, Pana, Ill.....	10 00
614 Forrest, Forrest, Ill.....	5 00	76 Mt. Nebo, Carlinville, Ill.	10 00
834 Toledo, Toledo, Ill.....	10 00	570 Jacksonville, Jacksonville, Ill.	10 00
799 Colfax, Colfax, Ill.....	10 00	252 Aledo, Aledo, Ill.....	10 00
31 Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, Ill.	25 00	236 Charter Oak, Litchfield, Ill.	25 00
117 Elgin, Elgin, Ill.....	25 00	687 Orangeville, Orangeville, Ill.	5 00
111 Jonesboro, Jonesboro, Ill.	7 15	410 Mithra, Chicago.....	100 00
773 Mansfield, Mansfield, Ill..	5 00	864 Olympia, Chicago.....	25 00
826 Mazon, Mazon, Ill.....	10 00	137 Polk, McLeansboro, Ill...	15 00
254 Aurora, Aurora, Ill.....	10 00	74 Rockton, Rockton, Ill.....	5 00
145 A. W. Rawson, Pecatonica, Ill.	10 00	176 Mendota, Mendota, Ill...	15 00
811 Melvin, Melvin, Ill.....	10 00	385 Mississippi, Savanna, Ill..	5 00
876 Wm. McKinley, Chicago..	10 00	205 Corinthian, Paw Paw, Ill..	10 00
867 Chadwick, Chadwick, Ill..	5 00	892 Constellation, Chicago....	25 00
666 Crawford, Eaton, Ill.....	10 00	847 Stronghurst, Stronghurst, Ill.	5 00
673 Normal, Normal, Ill.....	10 00	481 Momence, Momence, Ill.	20 00
301 Hinckley, Hinckley, Ill...	5 00	835 Triple, Venice, Ill.	25 00
61 Lacon, Lacon, Ill.....	10 00	677 Enfield, Enfield, Ill.....	10 00
668 Burnt Prairie, Burnt Prairie, Ill.	5 00	538 Lockport, Lockport, Ill..	10 00
156 Delavan, Delavan, Ill....	5 00	763 Crete, Crete, Ill.	5 00
852 Gothic, E. St. Louis, Ill.	25 00	Avondale, Chicago	10 00
813 Humboldt, Chicago	50 00	286 Plymouth, Plymouth, Ill..	10 00
905 Hanover, Hanover, Ill....	5 00	237 Cairo, Cairo, Ill.	25 00
780 Siloam, Oak Park, Ill....	50 00	887 Pyramid, Hegewisch, Ill.	10 00
319 Doric, Moline, Wis.....	25 00	802 Williamson, Carterville, Ill.	10 00
633 E. F. W. Ellis, Rockford, Ill.	10 00	25 Franklin, Upper Alton, Ill.	10 00
717 Arcana, Chicago.....	50 00	103 Magnolia, Magnolia, Ill..	10 25
879 Composite, Chicago	25 00	23 Beardstown, Beardstown, Ill.	10 00
170 Evergreen, Freeport, Ill..	10 00	916 Welcome, Chicago	25 00
801 Sangamon, Fisher, Ill....	5 00	282 Brooklyn, Compton, Ill ..	5 00
722 Walnut, Walnut, Ill.....	25 00	752 Allendale, Allendale, Ill...	2 00
891 Logan Square, Chicago..	25 00	781 Broadlands, Broadlands, Ill	5 00
296 Quincy, Quincy, Ill.....	10 00	875 Cornerstone, Chicago ...	50 00
562 Trinity, Mound City, Ill.	10 00	779 Wright's Grove, Chicago..	25 00
240 Western Star, Champaign, Ill.	25 00	861 Sorrento, Sorrento, Ill. ...	3 50
20 Hancock, Carthage, Ill..	10 00	72 Chester, Chester, Ill.	10 00
358 Orion, Union, Ill.....	2 00	618 Basco, Basco, Ill.	2 00
		534 Cuba, Cuba, Ill.	10 00
		171 Girard, Girard, Ill.	25 00
		659 Lambert, Quincy, Ill.	10 00

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45	Griggsville, Griggsville, Ill.	10 00	418	Freeburg, Freeburg, Ill...	10 00
346	N. D. Morse, Concord, Ill.	5 00	505	Meridian Sun, Holcomb, Ill.	5 00
913	Aaron, Chicago	10 00	554	Plum River, Stockton, Ill.	10 00
917	Concord, Chicago	10 00	266	Kingston,, Beverly, Ill....	10 00
610	Union Park, Chicago	100 00	771	Bay City, New Liberty, Ill.	3 00
445	Chesterfield, Chesterfield, Ill.	10 00	474	Columbia, Columbia, Ill..	10 00
134	Sycamore, Sycamore, Ill..	10 00	608	Piper, Piper City, Ill....	5 00
674	Waldeck, Ch'cago	25 00	648	Camden, Camden, Ill.....	17 75
830	Rockport, Rockport, Ill..	5 00	744	Goode, Valier, Ill.....	1 00
532	Long Point, Long Point, Ill.	5 00	406	Bethalto, Bethalto, Ill....	5 00
384	Waltham, Troy Grove, Ill.	10 00	508	Home, Chicago	25 00
564	Winslow, Winslow, Ill. .	5 00	630	Tuscan, Walpole, Ill.....	10 00
140	Olney, Olney, Ill.	15 00	681	Morrisonville, Morrisonville, Ill.	5 00
575	Capron, Capron, Ill.	5 00	514	Bradford, Bradford, Ill..	10 00
51	Mount Moriah, Hillsboro, Ill.	5 00	600	Cerro Gordo, Cerro Gordo, Ill.	5 00
692	Raymond, Raymond, Ill..	10 00	497	Alma, Steeleville, Ill.....	25 00
220	Mahomet, Mahomet, Ill..	10 00	162	Hope, Sparta, Ill.....	10 00
216	Newton, Newton, Ill....	10 00	525	Delia, Dietrich, Ill.....	5 00
53	Jackson, Shelbyville, Ill..	5 00	151	Bunker Hill, Bunker Hill, Ill.	5 00
175	Matteson, Joliet, Ill....	25 00	809	Gilham, Greenville, Ill....	2 00
797	Normal Park, Chicago....	25 00	262	Channahon, Channahon, Ill.	10 00
147	Clayton, Clayton, Ill....	10 00	63	St. Marks, Woodstock, Ill.	10 00
394	Jerseyville, Jerseyville, Ill.	25 00	129	Greenfield, Greenfield, Ill.	10 00
161	Virden, Virden, Ill.....	20 00	132	Mackinaw, Mackinaw, Ill.	5 00
635	Rochester, Rochester, Ill..	5 00	174	Lena, Lena, Ill.....	10 00
227	Columbus, Columbus, Ill..	5 00	123	Oquawka, Oquawka, Ill..	10 00
214	Gillespie, Gillespie, Ill..	5 00	855	King Oscar, Chicago.....	25 00
693	Herrins Prairie, Herrin, Ill.	50 00	602	Watson, Watson, Ill.....	5 00
189	Fulton City, Fulton, Ill..	25 00	484	Edgewood, Edgewood, Ill.	5 00
761	Sibley, Sibley, Ill.....	2 00	78	Waukegan, Waukegan, Ill.	5 00
869	Maywood, Maywood, Ill..	10 00	348	Russellville, Flat Rock, Ill.	5 00
456	Nokomis, Nokomis, Ill....	10 00	275	Milton, Milton, Ill.....	5 00
865	St. Cecilia, Chicago.....	25 00	777	Ravenswood, Chicago	25 00
774	Lake View, Chicago.....	25 00	467	South Macon, South Macon, Ill.	10 00
378	Aroma, Waldron, Ill.....	10 00	382	Gill, Lynnville, Ill.....	5 00
786	Riverton Union, Riverton, Ill.	25 00	820	Henderson, Kenney, Ill..	10 00
688	Clifton, Clifton, Ill.....	10 00	232	Farmers, Brookport, Ill..	1 00
403	Mason City, Mason City, Ill.	10 00	560	Marion, New Douglas, Ill.	5 00
837	Hindsboro, Hindsboro, Ill.	10 00	680	Clement, Colona, Ill.....	2 00
217	Mason, Mason, Ill.....	10 00	581	Dongola, Dongola, Ill....	5 00
401	Odell, Odell, Ill.....	5 00	139	Geneva, Geneva, Ill.....	5 00
746	Weldon, Weldon, Ill.....	10 00	904	Carlock, Mechanicsburg, Ill.	15 00
350	Fairview, Fairview, Ill..	5 00		From members of Carlock Lodge No. 904.....	11 00
588	Troy, Troy, Ill.....	5 00	44	Hardin, Mt. Sterling, Ill.	10 00
102	Rockford, Rockford, Ill..	25 00	762	Van Meter, Athens, Ill..	30 00
856	West Gate, Hamburg, Ill.	5 00	829	Edgar, Hume, Ill.....	10 00
16	Temperance, Vandalia, Ill.	10 00	815	Lawn, Chicago	15 00
547	Valley, Coal Valley, Ill..	10 00			

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106	Lancaster, Glasford, Ill... 5 00	665	Beecher City, Beecher City, Ill. 5 00
657	LaFayette, Grand Tower, Ill. 1 00	408	Stratton, Vermilion, Ill.. 5 00
670	Fillmore, Fillmore, Ill.... 5 00	509	Parkersburg, Parkersburg, Ill. 3 00
135	Lima, Lima, Ill..... 1 00	733	Gibson, Gibson City, Ill.. 5 00
517	Litchfield, Litchfield, Ill.. 20 00	79	Scott, Carlyle, Ill..... 5 00
770	LaGrange, LeGrange, Ill.. 50 00	261	Amon, DeWitt, Ill..... 5 00
	By members of LaGrange Lodge No. 770..... 22 25	321	Dunlap, Morrison, Ill.... 10 00
213	Ipava, Ipava, Ill..... 10 00	793	A. T. Darrah, Victoria Ill. 2 00
915	Jackson Park, Chicago.... 10 00	473	Gordon, Pocahontas, Ill.. 5 00
735	Sheridan, Sheridan, Ill.. 10 00	611	Lincoln Park, Chicago.... 25 00
307	T. J. Pickett, Bushnell, Ill. 10 00	130	Marion, Salem, Ill..... 5 00
342	Summerfield, Summerfield, Ill. 5 00	204	Flora, Flora, Ill..... 10 00
339	Saline, Goreville, Ill..... 5 00	245	Greenville, Greenville, Ill. 3 00
833	Dean, Ava, Ill..... 5 00	426	Scottville, Scottville, Ill.. 5 00
263	Illinois Peoria, Ill..... 25 00	379	Payson, Payson, Ill..... 5 00
500	St. Paul's Springfield, Ill. 10 00	466	Cobden, Cobden, Ill..... 10 00
565	Pleasant Hill, Pleasant Hill, Ill. 10 00	193	Herrick, Pontoosuc, Ill.. 10 00
807	Royal, Macedonia, Ill.... 5 00	583	Highland, Highland, Ill.. 10 00
653	Greenview, Greenview, Ill. 10 00	643	D. C. Cregier, Chicago... 50 00
683	Burnside, Burnside, Ill.. 5 00	211	Cleveland, Chicago 50 00
881	Marissa, Marissa, Ill..... 3 00	444	Cave in Rock, Cave in Rock, Ill. 5 00
103	Magnolia, Magnolia, Ill.... 75	504	East St. Louis, East St. Louis, Ill..... 25 00
19	Clinton, Petersburg, Ill.. 25 00	682	Blue Mound, Blue Mound, Ill. 5 00
523	Chatham, Chatham, Ill.... 5 00	849	Palestine, Palestine, Ill.. 5 00
788	Lerna, Lerna, Ill..... 10 00	877	Granite, Granite City, Ill. 25 00
485	Xenia, Xenia, Ill..... 5 00	194	Freedom, Earlville, Ill... 5 00
617	Good Hope, Good Hope, Ill. 5 00	644	Oblong City, Oblong, Ill.. 10 00
679	Buffalo Prairie, Joy, Ill.. 25 00	645	San Jose, San Jose, Ill.. 2 00
754	Ogden, Ogden, Ill..... 5 00	197	King Solomon, Kane, Ill. 5 00
910	Hull, Hull, Ill..... 2 00	884	Bethany, Bethany, Ill.... 10 00
695	Shiloh, Campbell Hill, Ill. 5 00	306	Wm. C. Hobbs, Eureka, Ill. 5 00
274	Byron, Byron, Ill..... 5 00	792	Calhoun, Hardin, Ill..... 5 00
2	Equality, Equality, Ill.... 10 00	34	Barry, Barry, Ill..... 25 00
787	Morris, Waterloo, Ill.... 5 00	292	Chenoa, Chenoa, Ill..... 10 00
871	Argenta, Argenta, Ill.... 5 00	207	Tamaroa, Tamaroa, Ill.... 10 00
822	Belknap, Belknap, Ill..... 5 00	221	LeRoy, LeRoy, Ill..... 5 00
675	Pawnee, Pawnee, Ill.... 10 00	305	Onarga, Onarga, Ill..... 10 00
355	Marine, Marine, Ill..... 10 00	71	Central, Springfield, Ill.. 5 00
390	Ashmore, Ashmore, Ill... 10 00	620	New Hope, Livingston, Ill. 5 00
529	Adams, Plainville, Ill.... 10 00	144	DeKalb, DeKalb, Ill..... 5 00
768	Mizpah, Chicago 20 00	477	Rutland, Rutland, Ill.... 5 00
488	Clay City, Clay City, Ill.. 7 75	685	Rio, Rio, Ill..... 10 00
510	John D. Moody, Iuka, Ill. 1 00	885	Villa Grove, Villa Grove, Ill. 5 00
347	Sidney, Sidney, Ill..... 5 00	641	Comet, Minier, Ill..... 5 00
701	Temple Hill, McNoel, Ill. 5 00	759	Orel, Wayne City, Ill.... 2 00
839	Berwyn, Berwyn, Ill.... 10 00	854	Brighton Park, Chicago... 25 00
15	Peoria, Peoria, Ill..... 25 00	172	Wayne, Waynesville, Ill.. 15 00
248	Golden Gate Prairie City, Ill. 5 00	863	St. Andrews, Chicago.... 50 00
428	Sunbeam, Plano, Ill..... 5 00		

No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.
415	Lawn Ridge, Speer, Ill... 9 50	704	Braidwood, Braidwood, Ill. 10 00
80	White Hall, White Hall, Ill. 25 00	177	Staunton, Staunton, Ill.. 25 00
631	Norton, Cabery, Ill..... 10 00	816	Ridgway, Ridgway, Ill... 5 00
700	Pleasant Plains, Pleasant Plains, Ill. 25 00	14	Warren, Shawneetown, Ill. 10 00
676	A. O. Fay, Highland Park, Ill. 25 00	179	Wabash, Etna, Ill..... 5 00
255	Donnellson, Donnellson, Ill. 10 00	806	Nebo, Nebo, Ill..... 1 00
152	Fidelity, Medora, Ill..... 10 00	334	Sumner, Sumner, Ill..... 5 00
351	Tarbolton, Fairbury, Ill.. 10 00	229	Manchester, Manchester, Ill. 5 00
13	St. Johns, Peru, Ill..... 25 00	558	Leland, Leland, Ill..... 5 00
721	Rome, Dix, Ill..... 10 00	405	Ramsey, Ramsey, Ill.... 5 00
846	Bluffs, Bluffs, Ill..... 2 00	131	Goleonda, Goleonda, Ill.. 5 00
745	Winnelago, Winnelago, Ill. 5 00	173	Cherry Valley, Cherry Valley, Ill. 2 00
451	Bromwell, Assumption, Ill. 5 00	718	May, Norris City, Ill.... 10 00
235	Dallas City, Dallas C ty, Ill. 5 00	146	Center, Lee Center, Ill.. 10 00
489	Cooper, Willow Hill, Ill.. 2 00	660	Grand Chain, Grand Chain, Ill. 2 00
794	Tadmor, Karbers Ridge, Ill. 1 00		
543	Cordova, Cordova, Ill.... 5 00		\$6,510 24
647	Blueville, Edinburg, Ill... 10 00	28	Lady Washington Chapter, O.E.S., Chicago 25 00
150	Vienna, Vienna, Ill..... 10 00		
113	Robert Burns, Keithsburg, Ill. 5 00		Total Receipts.....\$6,535 24
541	Stewardson, Stewardson, Ill. 5 00		

DISBURSEMENTS.

1909.	
Dec. 24	Paid Wm. L. Parks, Secretary and Treasurer, per order of A. B. Ashley, Grand Master.....\$4,000 00
Dec. 29	Paid Wm. L. Parks, Secretary and Treasurer, per order of A. B. Ashley, Grand Master..... 1,000 00
1910.	
Jan. 4	Paid Wm. L. Parks, Secretary and Treasurer, per order of A. B. Ashley, Grand Master..... 500 00
Jan. 15	Paid Wm. L. Parks, Secretary and Treasurer, per order of A. B. Ashley, Grand Master..... 500 00
Feb. 11	Paid Wm. L. Parks, Secretary and Treasurer, per order of A. B. Ashley, Grand Master..... 486 24
June 3	Paid Wm. L. Parks, Secretary and Treasurer, per order of A. B. Ashley, Grand Master..... 49 00
	Total disbursements .....\$6,535 24

Fraternally yours,

LEROY A. GODDARD,
Grand Treasurer.

The following is from the Treasurer of the Committee authorized to distribute this fund:

Received From Grand Treasurer	
December 27, 1909.....	\$4,000 00
December 30, 1909....	1,000 00
January 5, 1910.....	500 00
February 14, 1910.....	486 24
June 4, 1910.....	49 00
June 14, 1910.....	500 00
Total received from Grand Treasurer.....	\$6,535 24
Interest on depositts.....	85 00
Total received	\$6,620 24
Paid out	70 00
Cash on hand October 1, 1910.....	\$6,550 24

Thus it will be seen that the fund, on account of interest received from the bank where it is deposited, is larger than it was originally Owning to liberal contributions coming to Cherry soon after the disaster, but little of our fund has been used. The committee reports that it will be needed later.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

At the last session of this Grand Lodge, three amendments to the Constitution were proposed, each of which was seconded by a majority of the members voting.

To amend Section 2, Art. 13; Section 5, Art. 13, and Section 4, Art. 8.

These proposed amendments were accordingly submitted to all lodges in the state for their action thereon. The returns from all lodges voting resulted in the adoption of each of these amendments as follows:

Sec. 2, Art. 13; 698 lodges voted; 612 in favor, 86 against.

Sec. 5, Art. 13; 698 lodges voted; 624 in favor, 79 against.

Sec. 4, Art. 8; 698 lodges voted; 558 in favor, 140 against.

Thus it will be seen that these amendments were adopted by a large vote in their favor.

Therefore, on the 9th day of April last, I issued the following proclamation declaring each of the above described amendments adopted as a part of the constitution and in full force.

FROM THE EAST OF
THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE
OF A. F. AND A. M. OF ILLINOIS.

To the Worshipful Masters, Wardens, and Brethren of Constituent Lodges:

Whereas, at the last Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, certain amendments to the Constitution were proposed, to-wit:

To amend Section 2, Article XIII, Constitution, by adding thereto the following paragraph:

Provided, however, that the Grand Lodge may, on the recommendation of the Grand Master, issue a dispensation for the formation of a new lodge, outside a city or town having three or more lodges, on the recommendation of two out of the three nearest lodges, so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows:

Section 2. No dispensation shall be issued by order of the Grand Lodge or by the Grand Master in any city or town having three or more chartered lodges (except the city of Chicago) without the recommendation of the three oldest lodges, nor in any other place without the recommendation of the three nearest lodges; provided, however, that the Grand Lodge may, on the recommendation of the Grand Master, issue a dispensation for the formation of a new lodge outside a city or town having three or more lodges, on the recommendation of two out of the three nearest lodges.

To amend Section 5, Article XIII, Constitution, by striking out the word "eight" in the second line, and substituting therefor the word "twenty," so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows:

Section 5. Every petition for a new lodge shall be signed by twenty Master Masons, accompanied by a certificate from a Grand Lecturer that the proposed Master is able to open and close a lodge and to confer the degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft, and Master Mason correctly and in full, with a plat and description of the halls and ante-rooms to be occupied, and statement in regard to the ownership and use of the same.

And to amend Section 4, Article VIII, of the Constitution, by striking out the word "twenty" in the second line and insert the words one hundred in lieu hereof. The section when amended will read as follows:

Section 4. The yeas and nays shall be ordered upon the demand of *one hundred* representatives. In taking the yeas and nays the lodges in their order shall be called first, the members secondly, and the Grand Officers last. In all votes and elections a majority shall govern unless otherwise provided by law.

Whereas, the said amendments have been submitted to constituent lodges for their approval or disapproval, and

Whereas, more than two-thirds of the whole number of lodges in the state have voted in the affirmative,

Now, therefore, I, Albert B. Ashley, Grand Master, do hereby proclaim that the above amendments have been regularly and legally adopted and that they are now a part of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge and are in full force and effect from this date.

It is ordered that the foregoing proclamation be read in full in open lodge, at the first Stated Communication after it has been received.

Given under my hand and seal of the Grand Lodge this 9th day of April, A. D. 1910, A. L. 5910, at Decatur, Ill.

ISAAC CUTTER,
Grand Secretary.

A. B. ASHLEY,
Grand Master.

HOLLAND.

In accordance with instructions from this Grand Lodge I mailed the following letter to the M.W. Grand Master of Masons of Holland:

DECATUR, ILL., March 24, 1910.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Holland:

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother: At the last session of the Grand Lodge A.F. and A.M. of Illinois, U.S.A., the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of Illinois, A.F. and A.M., regards the Grand Lodge of Holland (Groot Oosten der Nederlander) as a regular and sovereign body of A.F. and A.M., and believes that our Grand Master may, at his discretion, properly enter into correspondence and an exchange of representatives therewith.

Therefore, in behalf of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Illinois, I most cordially and fraternally send greetings to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Holland and to its Most Worshipful Grand Master together with the assurance of a most cordial greeting.

That the fraternal relations which we enter upon may be continued and strengthened, I fraternally suggest that an exchange of representatives be appointed, to serve as such, near each Grand Lodge.

For the representative of the Grand Lodge of Holland near the Grand Lodge of Illinois, I take pleasure in recommending R.W. Bro. Charles M. Borchers, an honored member of our Grand Lodge and the Honorable Mayor of this city.

Should this meet with your approval, I shall be pleased if you will suggest a name that I may appoint as our representative near your Grand Lodge.

With high esteem, I am sincerely and fraternally yours,
(Signed.)

A. B. ASHLEY,
Grand Master.

To this communication I received the following letter from the Grand Master of the Netherlands:

THE HAGUE, July 23, 1910.

To the Grand Lodge of Illinois:

Dear Sir and Brethren: The Supreme Government of the Grand East of the Netherlands is in possession of your favor of March 24, 1910, and begs to state that it was received in the annual meeting of June last with the utmost satisfaction. The Supreme Government is very much pleased that close fraternal relations with your Grand Lodge shall be entered into, believing as you do that this will tender to our mutual benefit and profit.

The Supreme Government readily agrees to your proposal to appoint reciprocal representatives and has the pleasure to follow your wish and ask the Right W. Bro. Charles M. Borchers, a member of your Grand Lodge, to act as such.

We hope that Bro. Borchers shall succeed in strengthening the bonds of friendship and fraternity between the two grand powers.

We have in the same time the pleasure to present to you a list of three brethren for appointing one of them as your representative near the Grand East of the Netherlands. The list is composed of:

1. Herman Snyders, Deputy Master of the Lodge LaCompagnia durable, Middleburg.

2d. P. van de Wehering, member of the Lodge Hiram Abiff, the Hague.

3d. G. C. Visser, secretary of the Lodge L'Union Royale, the Hague.

We remain,

Yours fraternally,

S. M. HUGO VAN GIJN,
Grand Master.

H. J. W. VAN LAWICK,
Grand Secretary.

Thus it will be seen, and it affords me great pleasure to report, that the Grand Lodge of Holland enters upon fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Illinois.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

By the death of R.W. Bro. H. A. Eidson, a vacancy was created in the office of representative of the Grand Lodge of Vermont near this Grand Lodge. Upon my recommendation R.W. Bro. I. H. Todd, of East St. Louis, was, on December 16, 1909, appointed to fill this vacancy.

In December, 1909, R.W. Bro. James McCredie, of Aurora, was at my request appointed representative of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia near this Grand Lodge, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of R.W. Bro. L. L. Munn, who served as such representative for many years.

In December, 1909, R.W. Bro. R. J. Daly, of Chicago, was, at my suggestion, appointed representative of the Grand Lodge of Ireland near this Grand Lodge to fill the vacancy caused by the death of R.W. Bro. Thomas E. Miller.

In February, 1910, at my suggestion R.W. Bro. William J. Fullerton, of Ottawa, was appointed representative of the Grand Lodge of Washington, near this Grand Lodge to fill the vacancy caused by the death of M.W. Bro. Joseph Robbins.

In February, 1910, the Grand Master of Scotland appointed R.W. Bro. Archibald Birse, of Chicago, the representative of that Grand Jurisdiction near this Grand Lodge to fill the vacancy caused by the death of M.W. Bro. Joseph Robbins.

July 27, at my suggestion, the Grand Master of New Jersey appointed R.W. Bro. Joseph D. Everett as the representative of that Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Illinois to fill a vacancy caused by the death of R.W. Bro. Wm. B. Grimes.

On July 23, on my recommendation, R.W. Bro. Chas. M. Borchers was appointed as the representative of the Grand Lodge of Holland near this Grand Lodge.

July 11, at my suggestion, R.W. Bro. Elmer DeWitt Brothers was appointed as the representative of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edwards Island near the Grand Lodge of Illinois in place of R.W. Bro. E. T. E. Becker, deceased.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES.

On February 1, at the suggestion of the Grand Master of Prince Edward Island, I appointed as the representative of this Grand Lodge near that Grand Lodge R.W. Bro. Samuel Lowe, a resident of that jurisdiction.

On March 28, 1910, I appointed as the representative of the Grand Lodge of Illinois near the Grand Lodge of Maryland, R.W. Bro. John L. Sanford. This appointment was made on the recommendation of the Grand Master of that jurisdiction.

August 1, 1910, on the recommendation of the Grand Master of Holland I appointed R.W. Bro. Herman Snyder, Deputy Master of Middleburg, as the representative of this Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Holland.

DUPLICATE CHARTERS ISSUED.

On December 20, 1909, I caused a duplicate charter to be issued to New Hope Lodge No. 620, located at Cohn, Illinois.

On December 21, 1909, I caused a duplicate charter to be issued to Mendon Lodge No. 449, located at Mendon, Illinois.

On August 15, 1910, I caused to be issued a duplicate charter to New Canton Lodge No. 821, located at New Canton, in Pike county.

The foregoing were issued without fee to replace charters destroyed by fire.

GRAND ORATOR INSTALLED.

Bro. Rev. Frank G. Smith having been appointed by me as R.W. Grand Orator, and not being present at the installation of Grand Officers, was installed into that office by R.W. Bro. E. W. Peterson, acting as my proxy, on October 26, 1909, in Garfield Lodge No. 686, of which Brother Smith is a member.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

I was instructed one year ago to appoint a special committee of three to investigate and report to this Grand Lodge the standing as a Mason of Bro. David Kennison, a soldier of the American Revolution and of the War of 1812, who lies buried in Lincoln Park, with such recommendation as would seem advisable looking to the insertion of a bronze tablet with suitable inscription on the side of the boulder which marks his grave.

Accordingly I appointed as such Committee Bros. N. N. Lampert, T. A. Stevens and R. R. Jampolis.

COMMITTEE ON PERMANENT HOME.

One year ago, on the recommendation of Grand Master Bell, the Grand Lodge authorized the appointment of a special committee of five to consider the question of building a permanent home for this Grand Lodge. As such I appointed the members of the Committee on Jurisprudence because of their fitness to consider this important question.

PAST GRAND MASTERS' JEWELS.

One year ago this Grand Lodge ordered that Grand Master's Jewels be procured and presented to each of our Past Grand Masters, each jewel not to exceed \$100 in cost, and that a special committee of which the Grand Master should be one, be appointed to select and purchase the same.

Accordingly I appointed Past Grand Masters Goddard and Moulton to act with myself as such committee. This committee selected what they thought to be a very neat and appropriate design. These jewels

when completed, were either presented in person or delivered by express to each Past Grand Master, as follows:

William H. Scott	John R. Thomas
John C. Smith	John M. Pearson
Monroe C. Crawford	Leroy A. Goddard
Owen Scott	Edward Cook
Chas. F. Hitchcock	Geo. M. Moulton
William B. Wright	Chester E. Allen

Alexander H. Bell

Acknowledgment has been received from all of the recipients. That the selection was a wise and appropriate one is evidenced by the Past Grand Masters who are appropriately decorated upon this platform.

REAL ESTATE HOLDINGS.

I desire to call your attention to a provision in the charter incorporating this Grand Lodge with particular reference to some restrictions placed upon constituent lodges. In this connection you are referred to the last clause of section 7 of an act entitled, "An act to Incorporate the Grand Lodge of Illinois of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons." Approved February 14, 1855, which is as follows: * * * "Provided, that neither of said lodges shall at any one time hold real estate exceeding in value \$30,000."

It occurs to me in this connection that if a subordinate lodge of this Grand Jurisdiction desired to erect a building suitable for lodge purposes,—say in the city of Chicago, they could scarcely purchase real estate for this amount, to say nothing of erecting a building suitable for their purpose. We have lodges that at the time of the purchase of their property, lived within the letter of this law; but by reason of the enhanced value of surrounding real estate their property has increased in value in the same proportion and is now in excess of the limit heretofore referred to. I have deemed it wise to call your attention to this matter, and ask that it receive your consideration, and I would recommend that a committee be appointed whose duty it would be to look into this question and advise this Grand Lodge as to what steps can be taken, if any, to relieve this contingency.

OUTSIDE HELP TO SECRETARIES.

It has come to my knowledge that some secretaries of lodges employ persons who are not Masons to assist them in the discharge of their duties even to the extent of allowing them to copy the minutes into the record book. In such cases I have written secretaries that this is highly improper, as it exposes to outsiders the business of the lodge. Every-

thing that occurs in a lodge during its meetings is secret and no one but a Mason should have access to the records or business transactions. I recommend that an amendment be made to the laws governing constituent lodges prohibiting secretaries from employing those not Masons to do any part of their work.

OUR MASONIC HOMES.

Little need be said of the great work being done for our dependents in our two Homes. Both are running smoothly and satisfactorily, as all know who have taken opportunity to visit them. The superintendents, Brothers Hovey and Bassett, assisted by their wives, are keeping everything in excellent condition. It has been my privilege and pleasure to visit these homes several times during the year and to know personally of their condition. The craft is to be congratulated that the task of managing these difficult trusts and responsibilities is being performed in a highly satisfactory manner. The work at Sullivan has gone on without much variation from ordinary routine. The Orphans' Home, in its temporary quarters, is in a high degree of efficiency. All are waiting patiently for the new Home at LaGrange. The building has progressed rapidly and will soon be ready for occupancy. The report of the Board of Trustees will furnish details of both Homes. The unselfish services rendered by the members of the Home Board and the executive committees call for large gratitude from the brethren whose capable servants they are. I commend these great charities to your hearty consideration and active interest.

NON-AFFILIATES.

There are many hundreds of voluntary non-affiliated Masons in Illinois. Since the establishment of the Masonic Home at Sullivan some have affiliated with lodges, inasmuch as non-affiliates are not eligible for admission to the Home. In every town and city there reside a considerable number who hold dimits and do not ask for membership. They are always in evidence at times when they may be seen or when there is something to eat. They can be seen in every procession on public occasions and have foremost seats at banquets. The only apparent reason for this failure to resume membership is payment of dues.

The trifling sum necessary to support Grand Lodge, the Homes, give relief to a needy brother, and to pay for the running expenses of the lodge, weighs more than their interest in Masonry. They, therefore, remain non-affiliated and are declared by this Grand Lodge in good standing. I have no sympathy or patience with this kind of Masonry and recommend that the law be so changed that a non-affiliated Mason who remains outside of a lodge for a period of one year without apply-

ing for membership shall be deprived of all Masonic rights and privileges.

DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE.

We have within our midst certain clandestine bodies claiming to be lodges of Freemasons whose members have been detected in seeking admission to our lodges. Realizing that the strongest safeguard possible should be thrown around our lodges to prevent unscrupulous persons claiming to be Masons from gaining admission, I issued the following edict, a copy of which was mailed to each constituent lodge in the state.

FROM THE EAST OF
THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE
A. F. AND A. M. OF ILLINOIS.

DECATUR, March 31, 1910.

To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of Constituent Lodges:

Brethren: Whereas, It has come to the knowledge of the Grand Master, that there are certain clandestine bodies in Illinois and elsewhere claiming to be lodges of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and that members of these fraudulent bodies seek by unscrupulous methods to visit lodges of Masons and enter into Masonic relations with the members of said lodges:—

Whereas, It is possible that Masons and lodges may be deceived by those who pretend to be Masons and are not, and desiring to establish additional safeguards for the protection of the craft against impostors, and:—

Whereas, some doubt may exist as to the meaning and force of Sec. 6, Art. 19, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws, which says, that "Documentary evidence alone shall not be sufficient to justify avouchment."

Therefore, I, Albert B. Ashley, Grand Master of Masons in Illinois, by virtue of the authority in me vested, do promulgate this edict.

It is hereby ordered that in all cases where visitors seek avouchment or admission to lodges, satisfactory documentary evidence shall be required in addition to "strict trial and due examination."

A certificate of good standing attested by the Grand Secretary; a dimit regularly issued; a receipt for dues issued by a lodge shown to be regular by the List of Lodges furnished by the Grand Lodge which should be in the hands of every examining committee, shall be deemed satisfactory documentary evidence of good standing in Masonry.

The section above quoted, implies that documentary evidence was intended, but whatever may have been the intention when it was adopted, conditions are such now as to render greater care and caution in receiving and accepting as regular, those who are unknown to Masons and lodges.

It is ordered that this edict be read in open lodge at its first stated communication after it is received and entered in full upon the records

as a part of the proceedings of each lodge at the communication at which it is read.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Grand Lodge, this 31st day of March, A. D. 1910, A. L. 5910.

ISAAC CUTTER,
Grand Secretary.

A. B. ASHLEY,
Grand Master.

As will be seen, the purport of this edict was for the requirement of documentary evidence in addition to "strict trial, and due examination." The edict was hailed with great satisfaction throughout the state and has doubtless served its purpose many times since it was promulgated.

REGULATING DIMITS.

A communication from the Grand Lodge of Oregon relating to the method of transfer of membership by card or dimit has been received. I fraternally refer the same to the Committee on Jurisprudence for such action as may be deemed advisable.

VACANCIES FILED.

November 12 last, R.W. Bro. Emerson Clark, whom I appointed as a member of the Board of Grand Examiners, resigned his membership on said Board and I appointed R.W. Bro. Lawrence C. Johnson, of Galva, to fill said vacancy.

R.W. Bro. Robert Fletcher, who had been installed as Grand Sword Bearer, having resigned this office, I appointed Bro. A. T. Kellogg, P.M. of Kewanee Lodge No. 159, and he was installed in said lodge on January 7, 1910, by R.W. Bro. Lawrence C. Johnson, Grand Examiner, acting as my proxy.

DISCIPLINE.

Early in May last it was reported to me that gross violation of law had been perpetrated by Lodge No. 822. The lodge had received the petitions of, elected and conferred the degrees in Masonry upon one, who was without question, physically disqualified. The action of the lodge displayed either a most deplorable ignorance or a willful violation of one of the plainest provisions of law and one of the most important landmarks of Freemasonry. Upon receipt of the information I instructed the D.D.G.M. of the Forty-ninth District to investigate the case. His report to me shows the facts to be as above stated. The degrees had been conferred upon one in violation of the law governing physical qualification of candidates. The investigation shows that all

members of the lodge present when the petition of this candidate was received, when he was elected, passed and raised, knew of his physical condition. It also shows that most of the members present were not aware that it was a violation of law to confer the degrees upon him. They relied upon the Master of the lodge as their guide. The Master admits that he had had full knowledge of the physical condition of this candidate for years.

In view of all the facts and finding the Worshipful Master responsible for this willful violation of one of the most important Masonic laws, I instructed the D.D.G.M. to attend the session of the stated communication of the lodge on July 21, 1910, and in my name depose him from the office of Worshipful Master and to suspend him from all the rights and privileges of Masonry pending the action of this Grand Lodge. From reliable information received this W.M. is an intelligent and well educated man. He admits full knowledge of the candidate's physical condition. On page 120 proceedings of 1886 are clearly set forth the requirements in such cases.

Papers in this case are herewith submitted for the use of the committee to which it is referred.

Early in June charges were made by a member of Lodge No. 889 against the Master of Lodge No. 909. These charges were of such a serious nature that I appointed a commission consisting of three District Deputy Grand Masters to investigate them. After a full investigation, lasting several weeks, and taking the testimony of many witnesses, the commission found the accused guilty and recommended that he be deposed from the office of Master, and expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry. Accordingly, on the 22nd of August, I deposed him from the office of Master and suspended him from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, pending the action of this Grand Lodge. I placed the lodge in charge of the Senior Warden as acting Worshipful Master.

The evidence in this case is voluminous. All papers relating thereto I have for the inspection of the committee to which it may be referred.

RECOMMENDATION.

At the last session of this Grand Lodge it was not known that M.W. Bro. Joseph Robbins had begun the preparation of his report on foreign correspondence prior to the time the fatal malady fastened itself on him. For many years Brother Robbins wrote the excellent reports that have made him and this Grand Lodge known throughout the Masonic world. Until the last few years the compensation voted to him was

wholly inadequate to the labor performed. Many of the brethren think that this oversight should be rectified. It now appears to me only a fair equivalent for his many years of distinguished service that the amount voted in recent years be paid to his widow, Mrs. Julia D. Robbins, for his services for 1909. I therefore recommend that the sum of \$500 be allowed to Mrs. Robbins.

KENTUCKY.

In December last I received the following communication from the Grand Master of Masons of Kentucky:

LOUISVILLE, KY., December 2, 1909.

Most Worshipful Brother:

Section 175 Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, reads:

"If a Mason, who is a member of a lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, shall make his residence or establish permanent business in another Grand Lodge jurisdiction, the lodge nearest such residence or place of business may take penal jurisdiction over him by preferring charges against him before his own lodge brings formal accusation for the same offense, and may reprimand, suspend or expel him, according to its findings and sentence, after due trial had in accordance with the laws of the Grand Lodge under which the trial lodge is holden, and shall give to the Kentucky lodge of which the accused was a member, prompt notice of the action taken. This privilege shall apply only to such Grand Jurisdictions as shall accord to Kentucky lodges the same rights and privileges over such of their members as may come from their jurisdictions to that of this Grand Lodge."

At the 109th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge held October 19, 20 and 21, I was directed to submit the provisions in the above section to all the Grand Jurisdictions in the United States. In compliance I fraternally submit the provisions to your jurisdiction, with the brotherly request that they be either accepted or rejected.

Yours fraternally,

JOHN H. COWLES,

Grand Master.

To this communication I replied that I would with pleasure submit it to this Grand Lodge, which I now do.

ERROR IN THE PROCEEDINGS.

In the printed proceedings of the session of the Grand Lodge for 1909, appeared a serious error. A resolution appears on pages 157 and 158 regarding the recognition of the National Grand Lodge of Egypt. The record on page 158 reads, "The resolution was adopted." The action taken was that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, report to be made at this session." I have ordered that the resolution be so referred.

THE BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

Soon after the close of Grand Lodge I received a communication from the Grand Master of Masons of Maryland inviting me to attend the one hundred and twenty-second annual communication of that Grand Lodge and the dedication of its new temple in the city of Baltimore, on the 16th and 17th of November, 1909. In this communication the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Thos. J. Shryock, set forth that all Grand Masters in the United States had been invited and that a large majority were expected to be present. That the Grand Lodge had taken the occasion of the dedication of its new temple and its one hundred and twenty-second communication to invite the Grand Masters of the country to meet for fraternal intercourse, thus presenting an opportunity for conference and council among the representative Masons of the country.

Believing that an occasional meeting of Grand Masters for fraternal interchange of views upon subjects of interest to the craft to be productive of much good, I accepted the invitation. As time for this meeting approached finding that I could not well leave the state, I asked Past Grand Master Alexander H. Bell to represent this Grand Lodge in my place at Baltimore. It is well known that Brother Bell made an enviable hit at the conference of Grand Masters at Philadelphia a few months previous. I, therefore, felt confident that this Grand Lodge would be better represented by him than by myself, and that my action in accepting the invitation and in the appointment of the representative would have your approval. As proof of the wisdom of my action in this appointment I reproduce the report of Brother Bell in full, which follows:

CARLINVILLE, ILL., August 11, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W., Grand Master, A.F. and A.M.

Most Worshipful Brother: In my annual address to the Grand Lodge of 1909, I made a full report of the conference of Grand Masters held at Philadelphia in June of that year and recommended several changes in the laws of this state, as will be found by an examination of my address and as evidenced by amendments in harmony therewith now pending for consideration in our Grand Lodge.

Bro. Thomas J. Shryock, Grand Master of Masons in Maryland, invited a conference of all the Grand Masters of the United States to be held at Baltimore, in November of 1909.

It was your pleasure to appoint me as your representative to attend the Baltimore conference, for which at the time I thanked you and for which honor I now thus publicly express to you my sincere appreciation.

I attended the Baltimore conference as your representative. In my address to our Grand Lodge in 1909, I gave considerable prominence to the question of a national grand lodge and made mention of the fact

that Past Grand Master Mikels, of Indiana, had been quite active in advocating such a national body.

On the assembling of the conference at Baltimore, I should say that all of the recommendations of the Philadelphia conference were considered and given a much broader and more potent sanction by receiving the unanimous approval of the twenty-seven grand lodges there represented. It was upon my motion that the Baltimore conference by a unanimous vote fully indorsed every recommendation of the Philadelphia conference and thus the great and almost irresistible trend of Masonic sentiment and legislation in this union is in favor of the amendments now pending in our grand lodge as recommended by me pursuant to the Philadelphia conference.

Because I had decided views on the question of a national grand lodge I prepared and offered at the Baltimore conference a resolution touching that question. I mention also with much gratification that the Grand Master of Maryland in his address to his grand lodge, at which I was present, set out in full as a part of his address all that I had said in my address to our grand lodge touching that question and immediately after the close of the Baltimore conference, the Grand Master of Maryland had published in leaflet form an account of the action of the Baltimore conference on that question. The leaflet as so issued was as follows:

"Past Grand Master Bell of Illinois: The questions mentioned by my brother from California are interesting, but perhaps at this moment the question is not in shape to take any action on it, and I want to present a matter which I think is in shape to receive the attention of this conference. It is a question which I think is important and will do more to give credit to our conference and to give it dignity and standing with the craft throughout the country than anything we can do, and as expressing my views on the matter, I want to present this little preamble and resolution:

"WHEREAS, At Philadelphia in June last there was held a conference of Grand Masters representing nineteen states, at which were considered divers questions of interest to the craft, and

"WHEREAS, On this 17th day of November, A. D. 1900, are assembled at Baltimore the representatives of the following named Grand Lodges of our Union of the States of *California, District of Columbia, Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, South Carolina, North Dakota, South Dakota, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, Oregon and Maryland.*

"Now, therefore, we unanimously declare that neither the conference at Philadelphia, nor this present conference was called with any hope or expectation or desire to suggest or foster the organization of a National Grand Lodge or a Supreme Grand Lodge or any Grand Lodge or Grand Body whatsoever.

"The sole purpose of the Philadelphia conference and of this conference is to cultivate closer fraternal relations among our several Grand Lodges and all of the Masons of our great country, and to recommend to our respective Grand Lodges such slight modification of our existing

laws as may be desirable or needful in facilitating our inter-state correspondence and in avoiding all cause of irritation or misunderstanding.

"No one at Philadelphia proposed to form any National or Supreme Grand Lodge, and no one here desires it. We regard it as unfortunate that any Mason in this country should have apprehended that there was or is any purpose, either covert or avowed, to encourage or countenance the idea of such a National or Supreme Grand Lodge.

"Any advocate of the idea of forming a National or Supreme Grand Lodge is acting wholly upon his own initiative and responsibility and received no warrant for his views at the Philadelphia conference, nor here.

"We feel that it is due to us and to the sovereign Grand Lodges represented by us that we thus avow our purpose and position. We have no desire to see a National or Supreme Grand Lodge of Ancient-Craft Masonry in this country. It could serve no useful purpose and such an idea has no friend or supporter here.

"I move the adoption of that resolution.

"The motion was seconded.

"Past Grand Master Bell of Illinois: I wish to say, and this is all I wish to say about it: That all of us have been conscious of the fact that the mere idea of holding such a conference as we held at Philadelphia, or such a conference as we are now holding has encouraged some persons in the country to give expression to the view that some of us were either openly or covertly seeking ultimately or at present to foster the idea of a National Grand Lodge.

"I think we owe it to the craft of this great country to state that we have no such purpose in view.

"After a very strong expression of opinion from the Grand Masters present the resolution and the remarks of Past Grand Master Bell of Illinois were unanimously adopted as the opinion of this conference.

"The above abstract is a correct copy of the stenographer's notes taken at this conference.

"Signed,

THOMAS J. SHRYOCK,

"Grand Master of Maryland, Chairman."

I want to say that I felt especial pride in the result thus attained because I was quite well assured that I was voicing not merely my own personal sentiment but yours as well and that of Masonry of this grand jurisdiction.

I am gratified also to report to you touching the question of a national grand lodge, that at the session of the Grand Lodge of Indiana, A.F. and A.M., held in May of this year, the acting Grand Master, William Ridley, in his address to his Grand Lodge, set out in full the resolutions so offered by me at the Baltimore conference together with my brief remarks touching the same and the record showing that such resolutions had been unanimously adopted at such conference.

At a later stage of the deliberations of the Grand Lodge of Indiana, at its same session, Past Grand Master Mikels offered a very lengthy

resolution which discussed very largely the desirableness of a national grand lodge as he thought, and proposed that Indiana take the initiative in an effort to inaugurate such a system.

The resolutions so offered by Brother Mikels were referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence of his Grand Lodge and that committee unanimously reported against the resolutions and recommended that they be not adopted. The Committee on Jurisprudence in its report states that the conference at Baltimore which was attended by representatives of twenty-seven Grand Lodges of the United States "so fully and completely destroys any hope of the organization of a general grand lodge within the next generation that it would seem taking up useless time to further consider the proposition." "The resolution adopted at Baltimore disavowed any such intention or desire and claimed that nothing of that kind was manifest either at Philadelphia or Baltimore."

The resolutions adopted at Baltimore were in part set forth in the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence and the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence was adopted by the Grand Lodge of Indiana.

While it was immensely gratifying to me and must be to all Masons in Illinois that the Baltimore conference should by unanimous vote adopt the resolutions above set forth, I must admit that I was particularly gratified, as I know you must be, that the movement for a National Grand Lodge, if the somewhat erratic ideas of Brother Mikels can be called a movement, was so effectually strangled in the home that gave it birth. Indiana is to be congratulated on disowning such unsafe leadership.

I again thank you for the commission which you entrusted to me as your representative at the Baltimore conference and for repeated evidences of your confidence and esteem.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

ALEXANDER H. BELL.

Thus it will be seen that Brother Bell has again played a conspicuous part in the deliberations of a conference of Grand Masters.

His actions at Baltimore have my full approval and I feel grateful to him for the able manner in which he represented me and this Grand Lodge at that conference.

The unanimous adoption of the resolution offered by Brother Bell, deprecating the formation of a National Grand Lodge, is being ratified by Grand Lodges throughout the country, and I recommended its approval by this Grand Lodge.

GEORGE WASHINGTON MEMORIAL.

In January last, I received communications from the Grand Master of Masons of Virginia and from Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22, of Alexandria, Virginia, to attend the annual celebration of Washington's

birthday, February 22, 1910, in Alexandria-Washington Lodge over which George Washington presided as its first Worshipful Master.

The Grand Master stated that the principal object of the occasion was for the erection of a "National Memorial to Washington, the Mason." The undertaking had his unqualified approval, and earnestly urged me to be present. He also stated that invitations would be sent to every Grand Master in the United States and that the meeting was expected to be a large and representative one.

Recognizing the importance of the occasion, and not doubting that this Grand Lodge would desire to be represented, I accepted the invitation. When the time came, one of our schools was in session and I could not go. Consequently I appointed Bro. D. D. Darrah, D.G.M., to represent the Grand Lodge in my place.

As such representative Brother Darrah reports as follows:

BLOOMINGTON, ILL., March 1, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley—In accordance with your instructions I attended the meeting of Grand Masters and their representatives held in the city of Alexandria, Va., February 22, 1910, to consider the matter of the erection of a memorial to Washington the Mason.

The meeting was presided over by M.W. Bro. W. B. McChesney, Grand Master of Virginia. The roll of states being called the following responded: Alabama, L. H. Lee, Grand Master; California, Oscar Lawler, Past Grand Master; Connecticut, F. A. Verplank, Grand Master; Delaware, Thomas J. Day, Grand Master; District of Columbia, George C. Ober, Grand Master; Georgia, Henry Banks, Grand Master; Illinois, Delmar D. Darrah, Deputy Grand Master; Kentucky, John H. Cowles, Grand Master; Maryland, T. J. Shryock, Grand Master; New Hampshire, H. E. Burnham, representing Grand Master; New Jersey, P. W. Sawyer, Grand Master; North Dakota, L. B. Hanna; South Carolina, J. B. Johnson, Grand Master; Tennessee, James D. Richardson, Past Grand Master; Texas, W. H. Nichols, Past Grand Master; Virginia, W. B. McChesney, Grand Master; Vermont, H. H. Ross, Grand Secretary; West Virginia, F. M. Clark, Grand Master.

Letters were read from Florida, Indiana, Iowa, Maine, Michigan and New York expressing sympathy and support.

On motion a committee of ten were appointed to formulate a plan for the erection of a Memorial Temple to Washington, and the following named:

T. J. Shryock, Maryland; D. D. Darrah, Illinois; Henry Banks, Georgia; H. H. Ross, Vermont; Thomas J. Day, Delaware; J. H. Cowles, Kentucky; J. B. Johnson, South Carolina; W. H. Nichols, Texas; J. K. M. Norton, Virginia; J. D. Richardson, Tennessee. Later W. B. McChesney and W. L. Callahan were added to the committee.

After due deliberation the committee submitted the following report which was adopted unanimously, the representatives present pledging loyal support to the undertaking.

WHEREAS, Alexandria, Virginia, was the home town of George Washington, he being a member of its council; a vestryman in Christ Church, and first Master of Alexandria Lodge No. 22, Alexandria's citizens first celebrating his birthday; its soldiers, physicians, ministers, and Masons administering to him in life and death, the Alexandria-Washington Lodge possessing as priceless heirlooms many of the personal effects and Masonic treasures of this man whom heaven left childless that a nation might call him father, and

WHEREAS, These sacred treasures should be presented as a legacy for succeeding generations of Masons, and

WHEREAS, It has been aptly said that "until time shall be no more, will a test of the progress which our race has made in wisdom and virtue, be derived from the veneration paid to the immortal name of Washington."

Therefore, be it resolved, first—That we approve and endorse the proposed erection of a Masonic Temple, as a memorial to George Washington, under the auspices of Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22, A.F. & A.M., of Alexandria, Virginia.

1st. Name.—The name of this association shall be "The Washington Memorial Association."

2nd. Object.—The object of this association shall be to assist in the erection of a suitable Masonic Memorial to George Washington in the form of a Temple in the city of Alexandria, Virginia, provided that at least one floor shall be set apart, forever, as a Memorial Hall to be under the control of this association for the use and benefit of the several grand jurisdictions in the United States of America.

3rd. Membership.—The active members of this association shall be composed of the Grand Masters of the several grand jurisdictions of the United States of America, who shall identify themselves herewith and one properly accredited representative from each grand jurisdiction chosen in such manner and for such term as it may prescribe.

There may be also honorary members, under such conditions as may be prescribed by the Masonic Memorial Association.

Resolved second, That we do now organize the Washington Masonic Memorial Association according to the following plan.

Resolved third, That all funds raised for this memorial be turned over to the treasurer of the Masonic Memorial Committee of the Alexandria Washington Lodge No. 22, A.F. and A.M., of Alexandria.

Resolved fourth, That we pledge our earnest support to this commendable undertaking, and that all Grand Masters are earnestly requested to call the same to the attention of the lodges within their several jurisdictions, and urge upon them their hearty co-operation and assistance.

Done in the city of Alexandria, Virginia, on the 22nd day of February, A. D. 1910.

I am heartily in accord with the proposition to recognize the services of Washington as a Mason by the erection of a memorial hall and I trust that you will recommend to the Grand Lodge of Illinois its earnest financial support either by direct contribution or an appeal to the lodges of the state. Should the Grand Lodge approve of the proposed memorial and decide to enter the association it will be necessary to appoint a representative to attend the meeting of the association to be held in the city of Alexandria, Va., on February 22nd, 1911, at which time definite plans will be adopted for the financing and erection of the building.

Thanking you for the confidence reposed in me in my selection as your personal representative on this occasion I am,

Very sincerely,

DELMAR D. DARRAH,
Deputy Grand Master.

I heartily concur in Brother Darrah's recommendation and submit the matter to this Grand Lodge for its consideration. I am grateful to Brother Darrah for the able manner in which he represented the Grand Lodge in this important matter.

MANY UNNECESSARY QUESTIONS.

As has been said by Brother Bell and other Past Grand Masters, scores of questions are asked that might be answered by a single reference to the Blue Book. Much time and labor would have been saved both the Grand Master and the one asking the question. In a few instances the law seemed a little vague and uncertain but in most cases the answer was plain and simple. I have answered all questions that have come to me, although many of them seemed wholly unnecessary and inexcusable.

One Worshipful Master wrote and asked concerning a simple section of law, saying that he knew about what it was but did not have time to look it up. Notwithstanding, I took the time and trouble to investigate it and to write, giving the information he wanted, as has been done in all cases coming to me. This demonstrates that some find it easier to write to the Grand Master than to take a little time to find what, in nearly every case, can be found in the Blue Book.

Few Worshipful Masters are like this one. A large majority of them are men who think and act for themselves and do what in their judgment is right. Whenever and wherever lodges have officers of this kind, they are as a rule, harmonious and prosperous.

IRREGULARITIES AND INFRINGEMENT OF LAW.

Several cases have been reported to me where lodges have placed brethren on trial, convicted and sentenced them for some Masonic offense and afterward discovered that they had not conducted the trial in accordance with law governing Masonic trials and have asked for instruction. In such cases I have set the verdict aside as illegal.

In one case a brother who had been expelled by his lodge appealed to me, saying he had an illegal trial. On investigation, his objection was sustained, the verdict set aside and he declared in good standing in the lodge. He has since been expelled.

The most numerous reports of infringement of the law have been a violation of Sections 2 and 3, Part 2, of the Blue Book, where Masters have discharged a third member of an investigation committee, two having reported, and appointing another in his place who reports forthwith; then balloting upon the petition without waiting until the next or some subsequent stated communication of the lodge. This is one of the plainest and most important of our laws and there is no excuse for its violation. Two of these cases I declared illegal and ordered another ballot, requiring the petition to lie over the prescribed time.

One of the most peculiar cases that has come to my notice is where a lodge preferred charges against a Past Master for embezzlement of lodge funds. He was tried and found guilty of the charge and specifications, and failing to expel or indefinitely suspend him, the lodge voted to definitely suspend him for ninety-nine years. The Master wrote me that they did not have a copy of the Blue Book to guide their action, but that four Past Masters present said their action was legal. That they had since learned that they could not definitely suspend a brother for more than one year and asked for instructions. I declared the action of the lodge illegal and that the brother was still a member in good standing. The lodge has since convicted him of the same offense and expelled him.

One of the most inexcusable irregularities reported to me is where brethren who reside within the jurisdiction of a lodge, but whose membership is in another part of the state, were permitted to take part in the deliberations of the lodge, even to balloting on petitions of candidates for the degrees.

On one occasion the lodge balloted and elected five candidates to receive the degrees and rejected the sixth on two different ballots. Objections were made by a member of the lodge who claimed the ballot was illegal because brethren not members of the lodge had participated.

The Worshipful Master sustained the objection and ordered a third ballot which resulted in the election of the candidate.

One of the non-members who had participated in the previous voting, in a long letter called my attention to the illegal proceedings of the lodge and the great injustice that had been done him, and claimed that an unworthy person had been elected in consequence. He claimed the right to take part in lodge matters and to vote on petitions for the degrees because he was a permanent resident within the lodge jurisdiction and was amenable to its discipline for his conduct. He claimed also that the candidate, having been rejected on two ballots, the third was illegal; but that if the third was legal, then the five ballots that had preceded it were illegal. I ruled that while the ballot taken on the first five candidates on which he balloted was illegal, yet from the fact that neither of them was black balled the result would have been the same had he not balloted. I, therefore, would not be justified in setting the ballot aside and ordering a new one and that the Worshipful Master was fully justified in sustaining the objection and in ordering a new ballot, because brethren had balloted who were not members of the lodge.

It may not be expected of the Grand Master to report to this Grand Lodge matters of this character, and it may not be in the line of his duty. My object in doing so is to bring them to the attention of careless, indifferent and neglectful Worshipful Masters with all the force possible. I bring it to the attention of the Grand Lodge, believing that it will be more effective and far reaching than in any other way. While Masters may be ignorant of what the law is, a careful study of the Blue Book and reference to it when questions arise, will in almost every instance set them aright. Out of hundreds of questions that have been asked me, not one has been unanswered. Inasmuch as I have not reported a single decision made during the year, it is proof conclusive that the questions asked have all been defined in the Constitution and By-Laws of this Grand Lodge.

GREATER CARE NEEDED.

Information has come to me from various sources that in many lodges there is great carelessness in investigating the character of petitioners for the degrees. In the inordinate desire for a large membership unfit men are received. In localities where there is a shifting population this is particularly true.

In the oil region complaint is made that candidates have been accepted and the degrees conferred upon those who were mere transients and whose residence is in another state. Others were accepted and the degrees conferred upon who were morally unfit to be made Masons, and

whose occupations violated the law of the state. Such violations of law must inevitably lead to disaster and discipline.

Attention is here called to this evil that Masters and others may take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

CONCLUSION.

My work for the year is done and my report of the same is before you. I can only hope that it will meet your approval. You did not expect perfection in me. My shortcomings are evident and I am conscious of errors made. Yet, I can only plead that I have given most fully of time, of strength, of devotion. In fact I have done all in my power to conserve and advance the interests of the greatest of human brotherhoods. Whatever of success I may have had in serving you has come largely from the loving loyalty of the brethren of Illinois. I have leaned upon your strong arm and you have not failed me. Good fellowship has prevailed and I have felt its power. When it has been necessary to show a little of the rigors of the law in discipline it has been a source of greatest regret and sorrow to me. I have only acted from the strictest sense of duty. I only hope you may feel that I have done what I could.

Permit me to express my deepest gratitude to that willing and capable host of present and past Grand Officers for their uniform support, counsel and assistance in every case where I have called on them for aid. Not only to my associate officers but to the more than 100,000 members of our great army of fraternity in this beloved state do I come with a grateful heart for favors beyond even what I could hope or expect.

A. B. ASHLEY,
Grand Master.

The address of the M.W. Grand Master was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Grand Master's Address.

REPORT—Of the Grand Treasurer.

The R.W. Grand Treasurer, Leroy A. Goddard, presented his report, and asked that it be referred to the Committee on Finance. It was so ordered.

CHICAGO, October 3, 1910.

LEROY A. GODDARD, *Grand Treasurer,**In Account with M.W. GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M., OF ILLINOIS.*

GENERAL FUND.

1909.		DEBIT.		
Oct.	8.	Balance on hand, as per last report.....		\$53,597 44
Nov.	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	\$ 159 45	
Dec.	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	124 75	
1910.				
Jan.	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	33 90	
March	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	1,152 75	
April	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	25 75	
May	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	120 00	
June	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	110 50	
July	6.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	316 90	
Aug.	2.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	33,210 53	
Sept.	6.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	22,368 00	
Sept.	29.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	1,826 50	
Total				<u>59,449 03</u> \$113,046 47

1910.		CREDIT.		
Oct.	3.	By mileage and per diem paid officers and committees since last report, as per vouchers returned herewith	3,479 20	
Oct.	3.	By mileage and per diem paid representatives since last report as per vouchers returned herewith....	16,578 50	
Oct.	3.	By miscellaneous orders paid since last report as per vouchers returned herewith, numbered, 157; 159 to 172 both inclusive; 175 to 180 both inclusive; 183 to 191 both inclusive; 195 to 206 both inclusive; 209 to 224 both inclusive; 227 to 244 both inclusive; 249 to 252 both inclusive; 256 to 263 both inclusive; 267 to 274 both inclusive; 278; 280 to 285 both inclusive; 289 to 302 both inclusive; 305, 307 to 315 both inclusive	23,645 67	

Oct.	3.	By vouchers herewith, paid salaries of Grand Officers, Nos. 173; 174; 181, 182; 192 to 194 inclusive; 207; 208; 225, 226; 245 to 247 both inclusive; 253, 254; 264, 265; 275 to 277 both inclusive; 286, 287; 304, 308; 316 to 318 both inclusive	4,900 00
			48,603 37
		Balance on hand	64,443 10
		Total	\$113,046 47

CHARITY FUND.

1909.		DEBIT.	
Oct.	8.	Balance on hand, as per last report.....	\$31,508 77
Nov.	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	374 53
Dec.	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	31 40
1910.			
Jan.	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	10 50
Feb.	2.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	140 00
March	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	8 00
April	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	84 50
May	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	11,031 28
June	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	8 00
Aug.	2.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	21,105 47
Sept.	6.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	14,095 40
Sept.	29.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	477 70
			47,366 78
		Total	\$78,875 55

1910.		CREDIT.	
Oct.	3.	By vouchers herewith paid since last report, Nos. 51 to 55 both inclusive, 57 to 72 both inclusive.....	41,012 66
		Balance on hand	37,862 89
		Total	78,875 55

ORPHANS' HOME FUND.

1909.		DEBIT.	
Oct.	8.	Balance on hand, as per last report.....	\$22,308 23
Nov.	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	\$ 250 00
Dec.	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	1,510 00

1910.			
Jan.	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	200 00
Feb.	2.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	10,300 00
March	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	25 00
April	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	240 00
May	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	250 00
June	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	830 00
Aug.	2.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	28,367 11
Sept.	6.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	10 00
Sept.	29.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	220 00
			<u>42,202 11</u>
Total	.....		\$64,510 34

1910.		CREDIT.	
Oct.	3.	By vouchers herewith paid since last report, Nos. 248; 255; 266; 279; 288; 306	60,000 00
		Balance on hand	4,510 34
			<u>64,510 34</u>

HOME FOR THE AGED.

1909.		DEBIT.	
Oct.	8.	Balance on hand, as per last report.....	\$1,151 62
Dec.	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..\$	20 00
1910.			
Feb.	2.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	150 00
April	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	40 00
June	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	20 00
Aug.	2.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	160 00
Sept.	29.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y..	20 00
			<u>410 00</u>
Total	.....		\$1,561 62

1910.		CREDIT.	
Oct.	3.	No vouchers have been paid since last report.	
		Balance on hand	\$1,561 62

MASONIC HOME FUND.

1909.

DEBIT.

Oct. 8. Balance on hand, as per last report.....\$265 00

1910.

CREDIT.

Oct. 3. No vouchers have been paid since last report.
Balance on hand\$265 20

In addition to the cash balances reported above, the M.W. Grand Lodge owns the following securities, all of which are now in my possession as Grand Treasurer and deposited in safety vault specifically designated as the property of the M.W. Grand Lodge.

CHARITY FUND.

Certificate No. 3369, eight shares stock of Masonic Fraternity
Temple Association\$ 800 00

ILLINOIS MASONIC ORPHANS' HOME FUND.

Fifteen Registered Illinois Central R. R. Co. 4 per cent gold bonds, due 1953, \$1,000 each, numbered 7133, 7134, 7135, 7136, 7137, 7138, 7139, 7140, 7141, 7142, 7143, 7144, 13060, 13086, 13089; interest due May and November..... 15,000 00

Ten County of Cook 4 per cent Court House bonds, due 1917, \$1,000 each, numbered 2863, 2864, 2865, 2866, 2867, 2868, 2869, 2870, 2871 and 2872, coupons March and September.. 10,000 00

One County of Cook 4 per cent Court House bond, due 1919, number 3265, coupons March and September..... 1,000 00

Ten Town of North Chicago 4 per cent Lincoln Park bonds, due 1924, \$1,000 each, numbered 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, coupons May and November..... 10,000 00

Eight Mattoon Township, Coles county, Illinois, 4 per cent refunding bonds, due 1920, \$1000 each, numbered 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37; coupons May 1, annually..... 8,000 00

Five Illinois Central R. R. Co. 4 per cent gold bonds, due 1952, \$500 each, numbered 14218, 14219, 14220, 15418, 15592; coupons April and October 2,500 00

One U. S. Government 4 per cent bond, number 19451, due 1925, coupons quarterly 1,000 00

Total\$47,500 00

HOME FOR AGED FUND.

One City of Chicago 4 per cent gold Water Loan bond, due 1915, \$1000, interest January and July, numbered 388.....	1,000 00
Six City of Chicago 4 per cent gold River Improvement bonds, due 1915, \$1000 each, numbered 1064, 1065, 1066, 1067, 1068 and 1069, interest January and July	6,000 00
One Wabash R. R. Co. first mortgage 4 per cent gold bond, Toledo and Chicago Division, due 1941, number 1722, interest March and September	1,000 00
Total	\$ 8,000 00

SUMMARY.

Securities and bonds on hand, all funds.....	\$ 56,300 00
Cash on hand, all funds	108,643 15
Total assets in Treasury	\$164,943 15

Fraternally submitted,

LEROY A. GODDARD,
Grand Treasurer.

OFFICE OF STATE BANK OF CHICAGO,
CHICAGO, ILL.

October 5, 1910.

I hereby certify that at the close of business on October 3, 1910, the following cash balances were on deposit in this bank to the credit of the following accounts:

(1) Grand Lodge A.F. and A.M. General Fund....	\$64,443 10
(2) Grand Lodge Charity Fund	37,862 89
(3) Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home Fund.....	4,510 34
(4) Home for Aged Fund	1,561 62
(5) Illinois Masonic Home Fund	265 20

STATE BANK OF CHICAGO.

JAS. HENSCHEN, *Cashier.***REPORT—Of Grand Secretary.**

The R.W. Grand Secretary, Isaac Cutter, presented his report.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

I herewith submit my annual report:

ORDERS DRAWN.

Orders have been drawn on the Grand Treasurer at and since the last Annual Communication for the following amounts:

To Mileage and per diem of Officers and Committees.....	\$ 3,479 20
Mileage and per diem of Representatives.....	16,578 50
Edward Cook, expenses Committee on Correspondence....	7 50
A. H. Bell, expenses Grand Master's Office.....	29 89
C. S. Gurney, salary as Grand Tyler	100 00
C. S. Gurney, expenses at Grand Lodge.....	57 45
C. S. Gurney, washing aprons	45 88
Z. T. Griffin, Stenographer.....	50 00
G. A. Stadler, Deputy Grand Secretary.....	25 00
R. H. Wheeler, Masonic Relief Ass'n.....	30 60
Medinah Temple Ass'n, rent.....	300 00
Palmer House, headquarters	35 50
G. A. Gilbert, Bonds for G. Sec'y. and G. Treas.....	300 00
W. J. Hemstreet, insurance	10 99
W. B. Grimes, M. & P. D. as ordered by Grand Lodge....	50 00
A. B. Ashley, salary	125 00
Isaac Cutter, salary	250 00
A. H. Bell, salary	28 85
A. B. Ashley, expenses Grand Master's Office.....	14 95
H. B. Behrensmeyer, engrossing charters.....	25 00
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's Office.....	54 16
Pantagraph, printing	49 25
C. W. Leverenz, expenses as Grand Tyler.....	44 80
A. B. Ashley, salary	125 00
Isaac Cutter, salary	250 00
A. H. Bell, expenses to Baltimore.....	78 10
C. W. Leverenz, expenses as Grand Tyler.....	15 54
C. S. Gurney, Grand Lodge Jewels.....	11 30
E. A. Armstrong Mfg. Co., case for Grand Lodge Jewels..	7 50
H. P. Behrensmeyer, engrossing commissions.....	79 10
A. B. Ashley, expenses Grand Master's Office.....	42 66
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's Office.....	93 71
Pantagraph, printing	384 65
C. L. Sandusky, for relief of H. M. Tinkler.....	100 00
L. A. Goddard, salary	100 00
A. B. Ashley, salary	125 00

Edward Cook, Committee on Correspondence.....	- 500 00
A. H. Bell, Clerk and Stenographer.....	500 00
Isaac Cutter, salary	250 00
W. B. Wright, amt. refunded on account Grand Master's Jewel	100 00
C. W. Leverenz, expenses as Grand Tyler.....	17 47
A. B. Ashley, expenses Grand Master's Office.....	44 55
H. P. Behrensmeyer, engrossing charters.....	5 35
E. E. B. Sawyer, insurance.....	50 80
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's Office.....	50 90
Pantagraph, Proceedings, etc.	3,800 75
Chas. H. Martin, school at Freeport.....	58 90
A. H. Scrogin, school at Freeport.....	47 75
S. S. Borden, school at Freeport.....	36 40
R. F. Morrow, school at Freeport.....	48 50
L. C. Johnson, school at Freeport.....	35 00
A. B. Ashley, salary	125 00
Isaac Cutter, salary	250 00
Jas. A. Steele, rent of Home Farm to be used for building.	1,000 00
R. M. Johnson & Co., Past Grand Masters' Jewels.....	1,300 00
L. C. Johnson, school at Bushnell	31 20
A. H. Scrogin, school at Bushnell.....	41 00
S. S. Borden, school at Bushnell.....	44 20
R. F. Morrow, school at Bushnell.....	35 00
C. H. Martin, school at Bushnell.....	50 80
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's Office.....	66 97
Geo. W. Cyrus, printing	60 25
A. B. Ashley, expenses Grand Master's Office.....	55 12
Pantagraph, printing	106 46
C. H. Martin, school at Sreator.....	55 00
A. H. Scrogin, school at Sreator	37 15
S. S. Borden, school at Sreator	34 40
R. F. Morrow, school at Sreator.....	40 50
L. C. Johnson, school at Sreator	35 00
A. B. Ashley, salary	125 00
Isaac Cutter, salary	250 00
L. C. Johnson, school at Benton.....	57 00
R. F. Morrow, school at Benton.....	43 80
S. S. Borden, school at Benton.....	55 70
A. H. Scrogin, school at Benton.....	59 60
C. H. Martin, school at Benton.....	36 00
John R. Pope, Masonic Relief Ass'n	478 15

H. C. Michels, organist at Benton.....	9 10
D. D. Darrah, expenses to Washington, D. C.	67 10
Jas. A. Steele, taxes on Home Farm.....	89 98
Geo. W. Cyrus, printing	31 50
Pantagraph, printing	326 75
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's Office.....	81 00
A. B. Ashley, expenses Grand Master's Office.....	36 45
C. H. Martin, school at Springfield.....	40 20
A. H. Scrogin, School at Springfield.....	39 60
S. S. Borden, School at Springfield.....	43 50
R. F. Morrow, School at Springfield	27 20
L. C. Johnson, School at Springfield	36 30
A. B. Ashley, salary	125 00
Isaac Cutter, salary	250 00
L. A. Goddard, salary	100 00
A. B. Ashley, expenses Grand Master's office	45 62
Pantagraph, printing	46 50
H. P. Behrensmeyer, engrossing	6 30
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's office.....	54 93
A. B. Ashley, salary	125 00
Isaac Cutter, salary	250 00
C. W. Leverenz, expenses as Grand Tyler.....	10 25
Pantagraph, printing	47 84
E. T. Selby, printing	21 00
A. B. Ashley, expenses Grand Master's office	42 85
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's office	54 59
H. E. Bromwell, copy Masonry and Symbolry, order of G.M.	10 00
J. Webster Bailey, expenses to LaGrange.....	4 50
H. T. Burnap, expenses to LaGrange	11 40
A. B. Ashley, salary	125 00
Isaac Cutter, salary	250 00
C. W. Leverenz, expenses as Grand Tyler	40 96
Geo. J. Kurzenknabe, band at LaGrange.....	186 00
Pantagraph, printing	91 50
A. B. Ashley, expenses Grand Master's office	41 20
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's office	38 50
C. W. Leverenz, expenses Grand Tyler	37 36
C. L. Sandusky, expenses laying corner-stone at Newman..	4 65
A. W. West, expenses to LaGrange	11 37
L. A. Goddard, salary	100 00
A. B. Ashley, salary	125 00
Isaac Cutter, salary	250 00

C. W. Leverenz, expenses as Grand Tyler	27 60
D. D. Darrah, expenses to Collison	6 50
A. B. Ashley, expenses Grand Master's office	41 58
C. W. Leverenz, expenses Grand Tyler	18 61
E. T. Selby, printing	17 25
Pantagraph, printing	166 50
Isaac Cutter, expenses grand Secretary's office	53 73
A. B. Ashley, salary	125 00
Isaac Cutter, salary	250 00
D. D. Darrah, expenses to Quincy	9 69
C. H. Thompson, expenses to Belknap	5 24
W. H. Rupe, expenses to Hardinsville	6 75
C. W. Leverenz, expenses as Grand Tyler	26 52
Z. T. Griffin, stenographer Ben Hur Lodge No. 909.....	96 00
M. D. Ewell, examining letters Ben Hur Lodge No. 909...	50 00
E. W. Peterson, expenses Trathen case	3 50
A. B. Ashley, expenses Grand Master's office	30 51
Pantagraph, Printing	26 25
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's office	45 30
Frank G. Smith, expenses to East St. Louis	15 30
B. A. Cottlow, expenses to Genoa	7 50
D. W. Starr, expenses to Pocahontas	8 00
C. W. Leverenz, expenses as Grand Tyler	29 10
A. B. Ashley, salary	125 00
Isaac Cutter, salary	250 00
C. H. Thompson, expenses to DuQuoin	4 08
H. T. Burnap, expenses to Bloomington	6 25
A. B. Ashley, expenses Grand Master's office	47 49
Pantagraph, printing	13 50
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's office	47 81
A. B. Ashley, expenses Grand Master's office.....	22 47
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's office.....	32 84
Pantagraph, printing	17 75
E. T. Selby, printing	34 00
Jas. A. Steele, building	10,000 00
A. B. Ashley, salary	125 00
L. A. Goddard, salary	100 00
Isaac Cutter, salary	250 00
Total	<u>\$48,603 37</u>

CHARITY FUND.

Zentner Bros., rent I.M.O.H.....	\$ 150 00
C. S. Gurney, maintenance I.M.H.....	12,000 00
C. S. Gurney, maintenance I.M.O.H.....	6,000 00
Emmett Howard, balance for nurse	38 75
Zentner Bros., rent I.M.O.H.....	150 00
Zentner Bros., rent I.M.O.H.....	150 00
Jas. A. Steele, building I.M.O.H.....	3,000 00
Zentner Bros., rent I.M.O.H.....	150 00
N. N. Lampert, for Mrs. Orme	50 00
Zentner Bros., rent I.M.O.H.....	150 00
Zentner Bros., rent I.M.O.H.....	150 00
C. S. Gurney, maintenance I.M.H.....	12,000 00
C. S. Gurney, maintenance I.M.O.H.....	6,000 00
Zentner Bros., rent I.M.O.H.....	150 00
Burial of S. G. Charrie	98 91
Zentner Bros., rent I.M.O.H.....	150 00
Zentner Bros., rent I.M.O.H.....	150 00
Mrs. Andrew Orme, for house rent	25 00
Zentner Bros., rent I.M.O.H.....	150 00
Zentner Bros., rent I.M.O.H.....	150 00
Zentner Bros., rent I.M.O.H.....	150 00
Total	\$41,012 66

ILLINOIS MASONIC ORPHANS' HOME FUND.

Jas. A. Steele, for building	\$10,000 00
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Jas. A. Steele, for building	10,000 00
Jas. A. Steele, for building	10,000 00
Total	\$60,000 00

I herewith submit an itemized account of all moneys received by me as Grand Secretary during the past year:

LODGES.	NO.	DUES.	LODGES.	NO.	DUES.
Bodley.....	1	\$ 235 80	Whitehall.....	80	\$ 68 40
Equality.....	2	31 50	Vitruvius.....	81	62 10
Harmony.....	3	190 80	DeWitt.....	84	165 60
Springfield.....	4	208 80	Mitchell.....	85	92 70
Friendship.....	7	196 20	Kaskaskia.....	86	27 90
Macon.....	8	543 60	Mt. Pulaski.....	87	74 70
Rushville.....	9	82 80	Havana.....	88	92 70
St. Johns.....	13	112 50	Fellowship.....	89	107 10
Warren.....	14	57 60	Jerusalem Temple.....	90	242 10
Peoria.....	15	517 50	Metropolis.....	91	99 90
Temperance.....	16	75 60	Stewart.....	92	126 00
Macomb.....	17	165 60	Toulon.....	93	71 10
Clinton.....	19	158 40	Perry.....	95	56 70
Hancock.....	20	131 40	Samuel H. Davis.....	96	58 50
Cass.....	23	136 80	Excelsior.....	97	324 90
St. Clair.....	24	135 90	Taylor.....	98	81 00
Franklin.....	25	81 00	Edwardsville.....	99	116 10
Piasa.....	27	147 60	Astoria.....	100	73 80
Pekin.....	29	100 80	Rockford.....	102	351 00
Mt. Vernon.....	31	126 90	Magnolia.....	103	72 00
Oriental.....	33	478 80	Lewistown.....	104	77 40
Barry.....	34	102 60	Winchester.....	105	57 60
Charleston.....	35	164 60	Lancaster.....	106	95 40
Kavanaugh.....	36	50 40	Versailles.....	108	54 90
Monmouth.....	37	158 40	Trenton.....	109	45 90
Olive Branch.....	38	391 50	Lebanon.....	110	45 90
Herman.....	39	107 10	Jonesboro.....	111	61 20
Occidental.....	40	209 70	Bureau.....	112	47 70
Mt. Joliet.....	42	340 20	Robert Burns.....	113	84 60
Bloomington.....	43	274 50	Marcelline.....	114	50 40
Hardin.....	44	102 60	Rising Sun.....	115	85 50
Griggsville.....	45	67 50	Vermont.....	116	51 30
Temple.....	46	792 00	Elgin.....	117	299 70
Caledonia.....	47	44 10	Waverly.....	118	81 00
Unity.....	48	86 40	Henry.....	119	70 20
Cambridge.....	49	76 50	Mound.....	122	133 20
Carrollton.....	50	129 60	Oquawka.....	123	56 70
Mt. Moriah.....	51	100 80	Cedar.....	124	144 00
Benevolent.....	52	54 90	Greenup.....	125	47 70
Jackson.....	53	121 50	Empire.....	126	107 10
Washington.....	55	56 70	Antioch.....	127	64 80
Trio.....	57	250 20	Raleigh.....	128	47 70
Fraternal.....	58	106 20	Greenfield.....	129	67 50
New Boston.....	59	88 20	Marion.....	130	123 30
Belvidere.....	60	256 50	Golconda.....	131	72 00
Lacon.....	61	62 10	Mackinaw.....	132	49 50
St. Marks.....	63	102 60	Marshall.....	133	92 70
Benton.....	64	101 70	Sycamore.....	134	161 10
Euclid.....	65	94 50	Lima.....	135	48 60
Pacific.....	66	56 70	Hutsonville.....	136	25 20
Acacia.....	67	143 10	Polk.....	137	90 90
Eureka.....	69	53 10	Marengo.....	138	72 90
Central.....	71	218 70	Geneva.....	139	73 80
Chester.....	72	54 90	Olney.....	140	93 60
Rockton.....	74	74 70	Garden City.....	141	1238 40
Roscoe.....	75	70 20	Ames.....	142	56 70
Mt. Nebo.....	76	105 30	Richmond.....	143	64 80
Prairie.....	77	267 30	DeKalb.....	144	161 10
Waukegan.....	78	333 00	A. W. Rawson.....	145	63 00
Scott.....	79	48 60	Lee Center.....	146	56 70

LODGE DUES FOR THE YEAR 1910.—Continued.

LODGES.	NO.	DUES.	LODGES.	NO.	DUES.
Clayton.....	147	\$ 61 20	Leroy.....	221	\$ 67 50
Bloomfield.....	148	126 00	Geo. Washington.....	222	103 50
Efingham.....	149	72 90	Pana.....	226	194 40
Vienna.....	150	73 80	Columbus.....	227	24 30
Bunker Hill.....	151	70 20	Lovington.....	228	91 80
Fidelity.....	152	45 00	Manchester.....	229	38 70
Clay.....	153	81 00	New Haven.....	230	61 20
Russell.....	154	90 00	Wyanet.....	231	44 10
Alpha.....	155	162 90	Farmers.....	232	67 50
Delavan.....	156	81 00	Blandinsville.....	233	89 10
Urbana.....	157	297 00	DuQuoin.....	234	99 90
McHenry.....	158	74 70	Dallas City.....	235	72 00
Kewanee.....	159	168 30	Charter Oak.....	236	94 50
Waubansia.....	160	310 50	Cairo.....	237	181 80
Virden.....	161	108 00	Black Hawk.....	238	56 70
Hope.....	162	79 20	Mt. Carmel.....	239	149 40
Edward Dobbins.....	164	85 50	Western Star.....	240	307 80
Atlanta.....	165	82 80	Shekinah.....	241	150 30
Star in the East.....	166	397 80	Galva.....	243	122 40
Milford.....	168	73 80	Horicon.....	244	103 50
Nunda.....	169	64 80	Greenville.....	245	93 60
Evergreen.....	170	164 70	El Paso.....	246	99 00
Girard.....	171	83 70	Rob Morris.....	247	54 90
Wayne.....	172	47 70	Golden Gate.....	248	56 70
Cherry Valley.....	173	54 00	Hibbard.....	249	41 40
Lena.....	174	63 90	Robinson.....	250	119 70
Matteson.....	175	334 80	Heyworth.....	251	85 50
Mendota.....	176	93 60	Aledo.....	252	127 80
Staunton.....	177	128 70	Avon Harmony.....	253	39 60
Illinois Central.....	178	104 40	Aurora.....	254	278 10
Wabash.....	179	35 10	Donnelson.....	255	37 80
Moweaquia.....	180	64 80	Warsaw.....	257	57 60
Germania.....	182	294 80	Mattoon.....	260	253 80
Meridian.....	183	48 60	Amon.....	261	38 70
Abingdon.....	185	75 60	Channahon.....	262	51 50
Mystic Tie.....	187	76 50	Illinois.....	263	380 70
Cyrus.....	188	79 20	Franklin Grove.....	264	30 60
Fulton City.....	189	64 80	Vermilion.....	265	44 10
Dundee.....	190	144 00	Kingston.....	266	42 30
Farmington.....	192	108 90	La Prairie.....	267	45 00
Herrick.....	193	25 20	Paris.....	268	183 60
Freedom.....	194	42 30	Wheaton.....	269	111 60
La Harpe.....	195	128 70	Levi Lusk.....	270	25 20
Louisville.....	196	68 40	Blaney.....	271	208 80
King Solomon's.....	197	50 40	Carmi.....	272	78 30
Homer.....	199	87 30	Miners.....	273	142 20
Sheba.....	200	47 70	Byron.....	274	54 90
Centralia.....	201	200 70	Milton.....	275	54 00
Lavelly.....	203	63 90	Elizabeth.....	276	28 80
Flora.....	204	72 00	Accordia.....	277	153 90
Corinthian.....	205	58 50	Jo Daviess.....	278	130 50
Fairfield.....	206	126 90	Neoga.....	279	87 30
Tamaroa.....	207	45 90	Kansas.....	280	58 50
Wilmington.....	208	85 50	Brooklyn.....	282	58 50
Wm. B. Warren.....	209	410 40	Meteor.....	283	88 20
Logan.....	210	171 90	Catlin.....	285	102 60
Cleveland.....	211	579 60	Plymouth.....	286	59 40
Shipman.....	212	44 10	De Soto.....	287	108 90
Ipava.....	213	79 20	Genoa.....	288	89 10
Gillespie.....	214	69 30	Wataga.....	291	34 20
Newton.....	216	80 10	Chenoa.....	292	79 30
Mason.....	217	47 70	Prophetstown.....	293	73 80
New Salem.....	218	32 40	Pontiac.....	294	146 70
Oakland.....	219	105 30	Dills.....	295	42 30
Mahomet.....	220	39 60	Quincy.....	296	190 80

LODGE DUES FOR THE YEAR 1910.—Continued.

LODGES.	NO.	DUES.	LODGES.	NO.	DUES.
Benjamin.....	297	\$ 69 90	Payson.....	379	\$ 77 40
Wauconda.....	298	46 80	Liberty.....	380	34 20
Hinckley.....	301	77 40	Gill.....	382	27 90
Durand.....	302	61 20	LaMoille.....	383	53 10
Raven.....	303	40 50	Waltham.....	384	51 30
Onarga.....	305	63 90	Mississippi.....	385	150 30
W. C. Hobbs.....	306	72 90	Bridgeport.....	386	89 10
T. J. Pickett.....	307	96 30	El Dara.....	388	39 60
Ashlar.....	308	573 30	Kankakee.....	389	215 10
Harvard.....	309	131 40	Ashmore.....	390	56 70
Dearborn.....	310	644 40	Tolono.....	391	82 80
Kilwinning.....	311	593 10	Oconee.....	392	41 40
Ionic.....	312	420 30	Blair.....	393	475 20
York.....	313	78 30	Jerseyville.....	394	100 80
Palatine.....	314	79 20	Muddy Point.....	396	31 50
Abraham Jonas.....	316	34 20	Shiloh.....	397	39 60
J. L. Anderson.....	318	85 50	Kinmundy.....	398	84 60
Doric.....	319	259 20	Buda.....	399	39 60
Creston.....	320	41 40	Odell.....	401	46 80
Dunlap.....	321	95 40	Kishwaukee.....	402	45 90
Windsor.....	322	69 30	Mason City.....	403	99 90
Orient.....	323	30 60	Batavia.....	404	99 90
Harrisburg.....	325	142 20	Ramsey.....	405	57 60
Industry.....	327	49 50	Bethalto.....	406	27 00
Altona.....	330	48 60	Stratton.....	408	63 00
Mt. Erie.....	331	26 10	Thos. J. Turner.....	409	360 90
Tuscola.....	332	115 20	Mithra.....	410	141 30
Tyrian.....	333	207 00	Hesperia.....	411	610 20
Sumner.....	334	92 70	Bollen.....	412	23 40
Schiller.....	335	123 30	Evening Star.....	414	39 60
New Columbia.....	336	63 90	Lawn Ridge.....	415	34 20
Oneida.....	337	61 20	Paxton.....	416	99 00
Saline.....	339	47 70	Marselles.....	417	95 40
Kedron.....	340	43 20	Freeburg.....	418	37 80
Full Moon.....	341	61 20	Reynoldsburg.....	419	27 90
Sumnerfield.....	342	18 90	Oregon.....	420	131 40
Wenona.....	344	43 20	Washburn.....	421	42 30
Milledgeville.....	345	68 40	Landmark.....	422	416 70
N. D. Morse.....	346	26 10	Lanark.....	423	63 90
Sidney.....	347	46 80	Exeter.....	424	27 90
Russellville.....	348	44 10	Scottville.....	426	65 70
Sublette.....	349	24 30	Red Bud.....	427	27 00
Fairview.....	350	51 30	Sunbeam.....	428	81 00
Tarbolton.....	351	120 60	Chebanse.....	429	43 20
Groveland.....	352	32 40	Kendrick.....	430	37 80
Kinderhook.....	353	34 20	Summit.....	431	59 40
Ark and Anchor.....	354	71 10	Murrayville.....	432	35 10
Marine.....	355	42 30	Annawan.....	433	58 50
Hermitage.....	356	64 80	Makanda.....	434	57 60
Orion.....	358	29 70	Philo.....	436	63 00
Blackberry.....	359	83 70	Chicago.....	437	488 70
Princeville.....	360	77 40	Camargo.....	440	54 00
Douglas.....	361	37 80	Sparland.....	441	45 00
Noble.....	362	43 20	Casey.....	442	83 70
Horeb.....	363	73 80	Hampshire.....	443	80 10
Tonica.....	364	58 50	Cave-in-Rock.....	444	36 90
Bement.....	365	82 80	Chesterfield.....	445	36 90
Arcola.....	366	116 10	Watseka.....	446	131 40
Oxford.....	367	51 30	S. D. Monroe.....	447	33 30
Jefferson.....	368	27 90	Yates City.....	448	52 20
Newman.....	369	78 30	Mendon.....	449	53 10
Livingston.....	371	80 10	Loami.....	450	59 40
Chambersburg.....	373	18 00	Bronwell.....	451	65 70
Shabonna.....	374	57 60	New Hartford.....	453	34 20
Aroma.....	378	40 50	Maroa.....	454	97 20

LODGE DUES FOR THE YEAR 1910.—Continued.

LODGES.	NO.	DUES.	LODGES.	NO.	DUES.
Irving.....	455	\$ 48 60	Maquon.....	550	\$ 45 90
Nokomis.....	456	84 60	Ashton.....	531	61 20
Blazing Star.....	458	21 60	Seneca.....	532	52 20
Jeffersonville.....	460	40 50	Altamont.....	533	32 40
Plainview.....	461	27 90	Cuba.....	534	67 50
Tremont.....	462	37 80	Sherman.....	535	56 70
Palmyra.....	463	59 40	Plainfield.....	536	106 20
Denver.....	464	34 20	J. R. Gorin.....	537	44 10
Huntsville.....	465	34 20	Lockport.....	538	112 50
Cobden.....	466	54 90	Chatsworth.....	539	27 90
South Macon.....	467	88 20	Oak Park.....	540	474 30
Cheney's Grove.....	468	45 90	Stewardson.....	541	22 50
McLean.....	469	81 00	Towanda.....	542	22 50
Rantoul.....	470	74 70	Cordova.....	543	24 30
Kendall.....	471	79 20	Virginia.....	544	81 00
Amity.....	472	98 10	Valley.....	547	56 70
Gordon.....	473	34 20	Sharon.....	550	73 80
Columbia.....	474	45 90	Long Point.....	552	18 00
Walshville.....	475	11 70	Plum River.....	554	118 80
Manito.....	476	36 90	Humboldt.....	555	121 50
Rutland.....	477	50 40	Dawson.....	556	51 30
Pleiades.....	478	712 50	Lessing.....	557	191 70
Wyoming.....	479	98 10	Leland.....	558	40 50
Momence.....	481	98 10	Thomson.....	559	27 90
Lexington.....	482	60 30	Madison.....	560	24 30
Edgewood.....	484	44 10	Trinity.....	562	90 90
Xenia.....	485	27 00	Winslow.....	564	49 50
Bowen.....	486	49 50	Pleasant Hill.....	565	31 50
Andrew Jackson.....	487	15 30	Albany.....	566	72 00
Clay City.....	488	80 10	Frankfort.....	567	49 50
Cooper.....	489	43 20	Time.....	569	27 00
Shannon.....	490	50 40	Jacksonville.....	570	135 00
Martin.....	491	25 20	Bardolph.....	572	33 30
Libertyville.....	492	130 50	Gardner.....	573	86 40
Tower Hill.....	493	62 10	Pera.....	574	42 30
Stone Port.....	495	68 40	Capron.....	575	70 20
Colchester.....	496	72 90	O'Fallon.....	576	52 20
Alma.....	497	56 70	Viola.....	577	58 50
Murphysboro.....	498	132 30	Prairie City.....	578	38 70
St. Paul.....	500	243 00	Hazel Dell.....	580	35 10
Stark.....	501	36 00	Dongola.....	581	31 50
Woodhull.....	502	50 40	Shirley.....	582	37 80
Odin.....	503	46 80	Highland.....	583	47 70
East St. Louis.....	504	278 10	Vesper.....	584	182 70
Meridian Sun.....	505	88 20	Fisher.....	585	32 40
O. H. Miner.....	506	68 40	Princeton.....	587	121 60
Home.....	508	414 60	Troy.....	588	30 60
Parkersburg.....	509	31 50	Fairmount.....	590	62 10
J. D. Moody.....	510	25 20	Gilman.....	591	72 90
Wade-Barney.....	512	225 90	Feldon.....	592	24 30
Bradford.....	514	40 50	Miles Hart.....	595	52 20
Andalusia.....	516	60 30	Cerro Gordo.....	600	96 30
Litchfield.....	517	79 20	Farina.....	601	51 30
Abraham Lincoln.....	518	54 90	Watson.....	602	27 90
Roseville.....	519	53 10	Clark.....	603	104 40
Anna.....	520	108 00	Hebron.....	604	63 00
Illioopolis.....	521	73 80	Streator.....	607	208 80
Monitor.....	522	377 10	Piper.....	608	72 90
Chatham.....	523	63 90	Sheldon.....	609	84 60
Evans.....	524	421 20	Union Park.....	610	903 60
Delia.....	525	15 30	Lincoln Park.....	611	587 70
Covenant.....	526	818 10	Rock River.....	612	243 00
Rossville.....	527	111 60	Patoka.....	613	55 80
Minooka.....	528	48 60	Forrest.....	614	66 60
Adams.....	529	32 40	Wadley.....	616	54 90

LODGE DUES FOR THE YEAR 1910.—Continued.

LODGES.	NO.	DUES.	LODGES.	NO.	DUES.
Milan.....	617	\$ 58 50	Ewing.....	705	\$ 32 40
Basco.....	618	15 30	Joppa.....	706	72 00
New Hope.....	620	18 00	Star.....	709	153 90
Hopedale.....	622	52 20	Farmer City.....	710	75 60
Locust.....	623	29 70	Providence.....	711	178 20
Union.....	627	27 00	Collinsville.....	712	91 80
Tuscan.....	630	52 20	Johnsonville.....	713	55 80
Norton.....	631	44 10	Collison.....	714	76 50
Ridge Farm.....	632	85 50	Elvaston.....	715	18 90
E. F. W. Ellis.....	633	158 40	Calumet.....	716	236 70
Buckley.....	634	16 20	Arcana.....	717	558 90
Rochester.....	635	35 10	May.....	718	23 40
Peotone.....	636	70 20	Chapel Hill.....	719	25 20
Keystone.....	639	409 50	Rome.....	721	55 80
Comet.....	641	54 90	Walnut.....	722	85 50
Apollo.....	642	519 30	Omaha.....	723	19 80
D. C. Cregier.....	643	524 70	Chandlerville.....	724	70 20
Oblong City.....	644	94 50	Rankin.....	725	62 10
San Jose.....	645	30 60	Golden Rule.....	726	813 60
Somonauk.....	646	90 90	Raritan.....	727	28 80
Blueville.....	647	61 20	Waterman.....	728	32 40
Camden.....	648	79 20	Lake Creek.....	729	71 10
Atwood.....	651	71 10	Eldorado.....	730	51 30
Greenview.....	653	72 90	Harbor.....	731	394 20
Yorktown.....	655	81 90	Carman.....	732	22 50
Mozart.....	656	76 50	Gibson.....	733	99 90
Lafayette.....	657	20 70	Morning Star.....	734	233 10
Rock Island.....	658	234 00	Sheridan.....	735	73 30
Lambert.....	659	257 40	Arrowsmith.....	737	27 00
Grand Chain.....	660	28 80	Saunemin.....	738	65 70
South Park.....	662	346 50	Lakeside.....	739	342 00
Mayo.....	664	21 60	New Holland.....	741	24 30
Beecher City.....	665	30 60	Danvers.....	742	47 70
Crawford.....	666	59 40	Scott Land.....	743	38 70
Erie.....	667	48 60	Goode.....	744	75 60
Burnt Prairie.....	668	54 00	Winnebago.....	745	49 50
Herder.....	669	240 30	Weldon.....	746	42 30
Fillmore.....	670	54 90	Centennial.....	747	42 30
Eddyville.....	672	27 90	Alta.....	748	62 10
Normal.....	673	79 20	Akin.....	749	46 80
Waldeck.....	674	247 50	Lyndon.....	750	52 20
Pawnee.....	675	93 60	Lounsbury.....	751	71 10
A. O. Fay.....	676	206 10	Allendale.....	752	40 50
Enfield.....	677	57 60	Ogden.....	754	108 90
Buffalo Prairie.....	679	81 00	Pre-emption.....	755	72 90
Clement.....	680	55 80	Hardinsville.....	756	63 90
Morrisonville.....	681	72 00	Verona.....	757	69 30
Blue Mound.....	682	82 80	Mystic Star.....	758	636 30
Burnside.....	683	78 30	Orel.....	759	68 40
Galatia.....	684	48 60	Sibley.....	761	30 60
Rio.....	685	83 70	Van Meter.....	762	80 10
Garfield.....	686	724 50	Crete.....	763	56 70
Orangeville.....	687	44 10	Sullivan.....	764	146 70
Clifton.....	688	53 10	Palace.....	765	264 60
Englewood.....	690	783 00	Littleton.....	766	26 10
Iola.....	691	25 20	Triluminar.....	767	357 30
Raymond.....	692	54 90	Mizpah.....	768	499 50
Herrin's Prairie.....	693	132 30	St. Elmo.....	769	81 90
Shiloh Hill.....	695	31 50	LaGrange.....	770	271 80
Belle Rive.....	696	41 40	Bay City.....	771	20 70
Richard Cole.....	697	421 20	New Burnside.....	772	27 00
Hutton.....	698	45 00	Mansfield.....	773	39 60
Pleasant Plains.....	700	67 50	Lake View.....	774	574 20
Temple Hill.....	701	29 70	Grand Crossing.....	776	369 90
Alexandria.....	702	75 60	Ravenswood.....	777	492 30
Braidwood.....	704	198 00	Gurney.....	778	45 90

LODGE DUES FOR THE YEAR 1910.—Continued.

LODGES.	NO.	DUES.	LODGES.	NO.	DUES.
Wright's Grove.....	779	\$ 408 60	Chicago Heights.....	851	\$ 148 50
Siloam.....	780	413 10	Gothic.....	852	206 10
Potomac.....	782	68 40	Latham.....	853	54 90
Constantia.....	783	252 90	Brighton Park.....	854	171 00
Beacon Light.....	784	.....	King Oscar.....	855	446 40
Riverton Union.....	786	84 60	West Gate.....	856	39 60
Morris.....	787	74 70	Boyd D.....	857	56 70
Lerna.....	788	50 40	Utica.....	858	24 30
Auburn Park.....	789	425 70	Apple River.....	859	43 20
Pittsfield.....	790	97 20	Metropolitan.....	860	362 70
Broadlands.....	791	61 20	Sorento.....	861	9 00
Calhoun.....	792	36 90	Riverside.....	862	75 60
A. T. Darrah.....	793	38 70	St. Andrews.....	863	335 70
Tadmor.....	794	24 30	Olympia.....	864	389 70
Myrtle.....	795	264 60	St. Cecilia.....	865	239 40
E. M. Husted.....	796	60 30	West Salem.....	866	45 90
Normal Park.....	797	561 60	Chadwick.....	867	56 70
Sidell.....	798	48 60	Cornell.....	868	25 20
Colfax.....	799	44 10	Maywood.....	869	210 60
Kenwood.....	800	642 60	Lostant.....	870	45 00
Sangamon.....	801	45 90	Argenta.....	871	57 60
Williamson.....	802	96 30	Free Will.....	872	39 60
Neponset.....	803	42 30	Standard.....	873	365 40
Kensington.....	804	251 10	Nifong.....	874	32 40
S. M. Dalzell.....	805	106 20	Cornerstone.....	875	263 70
Nebo.....	806	49 50	William McKinley.....	876	240 30
Royal.....	807	32 40	Granite City.....	877	109 80
Cornland.....	808	61 20	Equity.....	878	292 50
Gillham.....	809	36 00	Composite.....	879	194 40
Tracy.....	810	162 00	John B. Sherman.....	880	234 00
Melvin.....	811	52 20	Marissa.....	881	42 30
DeLand.....	812	27 00	Boulevard.....	882	344 70
Humboldt Park.....	813	505 80	Wheeler.....	883	20 70
Ohio.....	814	18 90	Bethany.....	884	45 00
Lawn.....	815	168 30	Villa Grove.....	885	65 70
Ridgway.....	816	40 50	Hooppole.....	886	18 00
Creal Springs.....	817	63 90	Pyramid.....	887	44 10
Ben Hur.....	818	299 70	Damascus.....	888	133 20
Columbian.....	819	366 30	America.....	889	288 90
Henderson.....	820	56 70	Des Plaines.....	890	67 50
New Canton.....	821	53 10	Logan Square.....	891	245 70
Belknap.....	822	72 00	Constellation.....	892	268 20
Pearl.....	823	55 80	Lorraine.....	893	39 60
Grove.....	824	141 30	Utopia.....	894	121 50
Arthur.....	825	62 10	Crescent.....	895	206 10
Mazon.....	826	71 10	Kosmos.....	896	126 90
Sequoit.....	827	73 80	Ogden Park.....	897	151 20
Edgar.....	829	65 70	Silvis.....	898	58 50
Rockport.....	830	48 60	Park Manor.....	899	162 00
Findlay.....	831	81 00	Carnation.....	900	22 40
Harvey.....	832	165 60	Edgewater.....	901	182 70
Dean.....	833	40 50	Alto.....	902	123 40
Toledo.....	834	68 40	Elkhart.....	903	32 40
Triple.....	835	69 30	Carlock.....	904	31 50
Windsor Park.....	836	216 90	Hanover.....	905	33 30
Hindsboro.....	837	85 50	Coffeen.....	906	17 10
Charity.....	838	40 50	Ancient Craft.....	907	127 80
Berwyn.....	839	139 50	Gil. W. Barnard.....	908	68 40
Alto Pass.....	840	36 90	Bee Hive.....	909	67 50
Woodland Park.....	841	494 10	Hull.....	910	40 50
Fides.....	842	153 90	Bellflower.....	911	24 30
Park.....	843	371 70	Stellar.....	912	31 50
Martontown.....	845	49 50	Aaron.....	913	84 60
Bluffs.....	846	36 90	Republic.....	914	65 70
Stronghurst.....	847	43 20	Jackson Park.....	915	72 00
London.....	848	36 00	Concord.....	917	50 40
Palestine.....	849	61 20	Welcome.....	916	133 20
Austin.....	850	500 40	.....	.....	.....

DUES PRECEDING YEARS.

Lodge No.		Lodge No.	
I	\$ 1 80	514	90
35	90	542	1 80
113	1 80	544	90
125	90	559	90
131	90	623	90
148	4 50	632	90
160	90	693	90
185	90	769	90
204	1 80	815	90
230	90	863	90
260	6 75	865	90
316	4 50	899	2 70
348	1 80		
471	90		\$45 45
488	\$ 2 70		

DUES FROM LODGES U.D.

Sept. 1, 1910, Sesser	\$
Sept. 1, 1910, Elwood	15 30
Sept. 1, 1910, Cottonwood	18 90
Sept. 1, 1910, Avondale	68 40
Sept. 1, 1910, Grant Park	20 70
Sept. 1, 1910, Compass	53 10
Sept. 1, 1910, East Gate	54 00
Sept. 1, 1910, Banner Blue	26 10
Sept. 1, 1910, Molenna	2 70
Sept. 1, 1910, Veritas	18 50
Sept. 1, 1910, Candida	22 50
Total	\$300 60

DISPENSATION FEES, LODGES U.D.

Avondale Lodge U.D.	\$100 00
Grant Park Lodge U.D.	100 00
Compass Lodge U.D.	100 00
East Gate Lodge U.D.	100 00
Banner Blue Lodge U.D.	100 00
Molenna Lodge U.D.	100 00
Veritas Lodge U.D.	100 00
Candida Lodge U.D.	100 00
Ashland Lodge U.D.	100 00
Total	\$900.00

RECAPITULATION.

CHARITY FUND.

Dues Preceding Years	\$ 17 67
Dues Lodges U.D.	116 90
Dues Lodges 1910	35,527 10
Defunct Lodge Dues	47 75
Unexpended balance, I.M.H.	89 71
Unexpended balance I.M.O.H.	280 97
Unexpended balance Bro. VanBlair	17 40
Sale City of Chicago Bonds and Interest	7,173 06
Sale Cook Co. Bonds and Interest	4,072 22
Dividend Temple Stock	24 00
Total	\$47,366 78

GENERAL FUND.

Blue Books	\$ 45 70
Ceremonials	9 25
Regular Lodges	3 00
Proceedings	2 00
Bonds	200 00
Dispensations Lodges U.D. Ashley	800 00
Dispensations, Lodges U.D. Bell	100 00
Dispensations. Ashley	206 00
Dispensations. Bell	20 00
Dues, Lodges U.D.	183 70
Dues, Lodges Preceding Years	27 78
Rent, Home Farm	1,000 00
Sale produce, Home Farm	988 40
Dues 1910	55,828 30
Mileage and Per Diem returned, N. T. Stevens.....	32 90
Mileage and Per Diem returned, F. J. Butzow	2 00
Total	\$59,449 03

RECAPITULATION.

ILLINOIS MASONIC ORPHANS' HOME FUND.

Sanitary bonds, interest	\$ 600 00
Illinois Central Bonds, Interest	700 00
No. Chicago Bonds, Interest	200 00
Government Bonds, Interest	40 00

Sale City of Chicago Bonds and Interest	38,644	11
Cook Co. Bonds, Interest	460	00
Mattoon Bonds, Interest	320	00
Lincoln Park Bonds, Interest	200	00
J. C. Hammond, bequest	1,000	00
Donation, Lodge No. 909	25	00
Donation, Lodge No. 674 (3 members)	3	00
Donation Lodge No. 603	10	00
Total	\$42,202	11

HOME FOR THE AGED FUND.

City of Chicago Bonds, Interest	\$300	00
Wabash R. R. Bonds, Interest	40	00
Cook Co. Bonds, Interest	20	00
Illinois Central Bonds, Interest	20	00
Sanitary Bonds, Interest	20	00
Donation, Lodge No. 603	10	00
Total	\$410	00

The R.W. Grand Secretary asked that his report, together with cash book and ledger, be referred to the Committee on Finance. It was so ordered.

REPORT—Committee on Correspondence.

M.W. Bro. Owen Scott presented the report of the Committee on Correspondence and asked that it be printed in the Proceedings. It was so ordered. (See appendix.)

REPORT—Committee on Grand Master's Address.

Bro. James E. Wooters, chairman of the Committee on Grand Master's Address, presented the report of this Committee. On motion, it was adopted.

Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Grand Master's report, fraternally submit the following:

We have inspected carefully, topic by topic, the report of M.W.G.M. Ashley and find it to be a very thorough, painstaking and elaborate report of the work of the Grand Master during the past year.

We congratulate the M.W.G.M. and the Grand Lodge on the progress and prosperity of Masonry in our Grand Jurisdiction as shown by the report.

It is indeed a matter of just pride that in membership we rank third among the Grand Lodges of the earth.

So much of the report as refers to deceased brethren is referred to the Committee on Obituaries.

So much of the report as refers to lodges constituted is referred to the Committee on Chartered Lodges.

The Section on lodges instituted is referred to the Committee on Lodges U.D.

The parts relating to corner stones laid and lodges dedicated indicates that the ancient prestige of the fraternity as operative workmen has not been lost sight of, and that the general public still regards our order as the chief patron of architecture.

So much of the report as refers to revenue is referred to the Finance Committee.

The report shows that the high character of the schools of instruction has been maintained, and that the interest in the ritualistic work or our order was never greater than at present.

In the matter of the Cherry mine disaster, the prompt action of the Grand Master in calling for assistance, and the equally prompt response of the brethren in this and neighboring jurisdictions, proves conclusively to the world that the cry of the widow and the fatherless in their hour of need does not pass unheeded, and that the duty of relieving the distressed, which is incumbent on all men, is realized to be particularly so among Masons.

In the matter of real estate holdings, we endorse the recommendation of the Grand Master and recommend that the Grand Master be empowered to appoint a committee of three to advise this Grand Lodge as to the proper steps to be taken in amending our charter in this and other regards.

In reference to the section referring to outside help to secretaries of constituent lodges, we recommend that the Grand Lodge direct the Most Worshipful Grand Master to issue such edicts as may be necessary to correct the irregularities referred to.

It is a matter of pride to all the brethren of this state that those dependent on our charity are being so efficiently cared for at our two Masonic homes, and we join the Grand Master in asking your hearty consideration and active interest in these benevolent institutions.

We heartily concur in the recommendation of the Grand Master in regard to non-affiliates, and ask the Committee on Jurisprudence to formulate such amendments as will conform with the Grand Master's recommendations.

In regard to the edict of the Grand Master on documentary evidence, we recommend that the order of the Grand Master be approved and that henceforth it have the force of law.

We concur in the recommendation of the Grand Master that the question of regulating dimitts be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

So much of the report as refers to vacancies filled, we recommend be approved by the Grand Lodge.

We recommend that the case of discipline of Belknap Lodge No. 822, together with the papers pertaining thereto, be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

We recommend that the charges preferred by a member of America Lodge No. 889, against the Worshipful Master of Bee Hive Lodge No. 909, together with all the evidence in this case, be referred to the Committee on Appeals and Grievances.

The sections of the report dealing with irregularities and infringement of law, and recommendations that greater care be exercised in investigating the character of petitioners for degrees, show that the Grand Master has been diligent and prompt in checking the irregularities practiced by the constituent lodges, and we recommend that the Grand Lodge place the stamp of approval on the actions of the Grand Master and emphasize the importance of a strict conformity to Masonic law as set forth in our Blue Book, and the established usages and customs of Masonry.

The Grand Master recommends that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) be paid to Mrs. Julia C. Robbins, the widow of our beloved deceased brother, Dr. Joseph Robbins, for services rendered by him in the preparation of the report on foreign correspondence, for which no compensation has been made. We concur heartily in the recommendation of the Grand Master and ask the Grand Lodge to approve the same and recommend its reference to the Finance Committee.

The communication from the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, which is submitted in this report, we recommend be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

We recommend that the action of the Grand Master in correcting an error on page 158 of the Grand Lodge proceedings for 1909, be concurred in.

We recommend that the report of the Grand Master in regard to the Baltimore conference be approved, and we congratulate the Grand Master and the Grand Lodge on having had at this conference such a worthy and efficient representative as Past Grand Master A. H. Bell.

We heartily concur in the action of the Grand Master in submitting the recommendation in regard to the George Washington Memorial to the Grand Lodge for its consideration.

In conclusion, we recommend that the thanks of this Grand Lodge be extended to our Most Worshipful Grand Master, Albert B. Ashley, for the able and faithful way in which he has discharged the duties of his high office for the past year. The report shows that the task has been a burdensome one, demanding untiring labor, as well as devoted zeal, yet he has met its requirements with courage, wisdom and resolution.

It is a source of great satisfaction to the craft throughout our Grand Jurisdiction that our present Grand Master has done as much as any living man to standardize the ritualistic work of Masonry in this state, and that his zeal for the good of our order and his labors in its behalf are excelled by none.

Fraternally yours,

J. E. WOOTERS,

H. L. BROWNING,

D. G. FITZGERRELL,

Committee.

INVITATIONS.

An invitation from Myrtle Lodge No. 795, to attend the ceremony of laying the corner-stone of the new Myrtle Masonic Temple, Saturday, October 15, was read.

Invitations were also read from Siloam Lodge No. 780 and St. Cecelia Lodge No. 865.

An invitation was read from Blaney Lodge No. 271, to attend a stated communication Wednesday evening, October 12.

REPORT—Trustees of Masonic Homes.

M.W. Bro. Geo. M. Moulton, president of the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Homes, presented the report of the Trustees.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of the State of Illinois:

The Board of Trustees, having supervision and management of the Illinois Masonic Homes, established under your auspices, and subject to your authority and control, fraternally submits the following report of the administration of affairs from October 14, 1909, to the present time relating to the maintenance of these Homes at Sullivan and Chicago, which are truly homes of comfort and genuine havens of rest for the "Master Masons, their widows and orphans" of our State, who by adversity, infirmity or bereavement would otherwise be dependent upon the scanty charity of an indifferent world, and which therefore represent in the highest degree and most practical manner the tenets of Free Masonry, "Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth":—for true to our principles, and in love for our fellowman, relief has been ever ready and in abundant measure to meet all the requirements among the craft of Illinois that have been apparent. Old age and youth alike have been cheered and comforted by your beneficence, and generations yet unborn will rise up and call you blessed for having hearkened unto and heeded the call of the worn and weary sojourner, the bereaved and the fatherless.

ORGANIZATION.

Immediately after the close of the last Annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge, on October 14, 1909, your Board of Trustees met and organized by the selection of officers as follows:

President—George M. Moulton.
Vice-President—Henry W. Berks.
Treasurer—James A. Steele.
Secretary—Chester S. Gurney.

Following the custom of preceding years an Executive Committee of three members of the Board was appointed for each of the Homes—that for Sullivan consisting of Brothers Berks, Steele and Dixon, and for Chicago of Brothers Moulton, Daly and Miller; the latter committee being also constituted a Building Committee charged with the duty of accomplishing the erection of the new Orphans' Home at La Grange, which was authorized by the M. W. Grand Lodge at its last Annual Communication.

The death of Bro. Thomas E. Miller occurring very soon thereafter, creating a vacancy in the Board of Trustees, the M. W. Grand Master was pleased to appoint Bro. R. C. Fletcher of La Grange as a member of the Board of Trustees, and he was thereupon appointed to the committees on which Bro. Miller was so acceptably serving at the time of his decease.

Subsequent to the organization meeting, the Board has held three regularly called meetings, namely, April 30, 1910, at Chicago; July 26,

1910, at Sullivan, and October 10, 1910, at Chicago. The attendance at these meetings and the interest displayed was gratifying and productive of excellent results. The several Standing Committees have met frequently and whenever necessary to meet the requirements, the details of administration at the respective Homes being closely supervised and attended to by the appropriate committee. Each of these Executive Committees have filed a report relative to their respective fields of endeavor which are herewith submitted as addenda hereto for your consideration.

THE HOME AT SULLIVAN.

The Home at Sullivan is principally intended for aged and infirm Master Masons and their wives or widows, yet provision has always been made there for the orphan children of Master Masons, one or more of such being members at all times.

Bro. Charles L. Hovey and wife were continued as Superintendent and Matron respectively, and as such have rendered faithful and efficient service. The reports of these valued agents and that of the Executive Committee in charge are so replete with detailed information as to render unnecessary any additional statement regarding the operation of the Home, its membership, and accomplishments.

Your especial attention is invited to the report of the Executive Committee relative to the farm property in connection with the Home at Sullivan and its projected improvement. The recommendation of your Board of Trustees based on this report will be hereinafter set forth together with other recommendations intended to promote and render more effective our great and glorious undertaking.

The necessary expenditures for operation of the Home have been less than appropriations made by the M. W. Grand Lodge at its last annual communication, though closely approximating the amount appropriated. Owing to the mining troubles affecting the supply and cost of coal, the annual stock of fuel for winter consumption has not been accumulated, otherwise there would be little or no balance of unexpended funds to account for. As it is the balance to be restored to the treasury of the M. W. Grand Lodge, after supplying a slight deficit of \$51.95 in the appropriation for the Chicago Home will be \$703.04.

Aside from the ordinary expenses of the Home, the management has been enabled to make a much needed extension of the sewerage facilities of the Home, including a construction of a sewage tank at a cost of \$510.00 with accessories costing about \$300.00 more, by which the sanitary conditions are now permanently and effectively improved.

A recent inspection by experts in building construction discloses the advisability, if not the necessity, of making some additions to the operative

plant at the Sullivan Home, and also some repairs and alterations which, however, are not extensive in character, though important for the preservation of the property and to effect desired economy in operative cost in the future, it being safe to assume that the initial cost of such additions, alterations and repairs will be saved in a comparatively short period of time from the reduced cost of operation.

The needed repairs and alterations would require the approximate expenditure of \$850.00 of which about \$400.00 would be needed to provide for a fireproof Pump House to replace the present temporary wooden structure, the loss of which by fire or other cause would be a most serious and embarrassing occurrence.

The additions to the plant which seem desirable to be made at once are as follows:

1. A Gas Machine with Automatic Mixing Regulator and capacity for 200 lights, the estimated cost of which installed is \$600.00. The installation of this machinery would result in a constant and material saving by the reduction in the time as well as the wear and tear of operating the present power plant and dispensing with the use of dangerous illuminating agencies.

2. A Refrigerating Plant, the estimated cost of which installed is \$1,000.00. It is estimated that this cost would be saved within four years' time from the requisite expenditures now being made for natural ice supply, besides securing immunity from ice famines with consequent abnormally high prices, a more effective and extensive system of refrigeration and greatly improved sanitary conditions.

3. With a view of determining the advisability of installing a Water Softener Plant, an analysis was obtained of the water supplied from the deep well for all uses at the Sullivan Home.

The analysis is as follows:

	<i>Grains per</i> <i>U. S. Gallon.</i>
<i>Incrusting Solids—</i>	
Calcium Carbonate (Chalk).....	9.30
Magnesium Carbonate (Magnesia).....	6.30
Iron and Alumina.....	0.03
Silica (Sand)	0.52
Total.....	<u>16.15</u>

	<i>Grains per</i> <i>U. S. Gallon.</i>
<i>Non-Incrusting Solids—</i>	
Sodium Sulphate (Glauber's Salt).....	0.50
Sodium Chloride (Common Salt).....	0.50
Sodium Carbonate (Soda)	7.63
Total.....	<u>8.63</u>

<i>Volatile—</i>	<i>Grains per U. S. Gallon.</i>
Free Carbon Dioxide.....	0.88
Half Bound Carbon Dioxide.....	10.54

Total.....	11.42
Hardness	16.35
Alkalinity	23.94
Acidity	None

It is claimed that the operation of a Softener Plant in connection with the water supply would cost not to exceed 2 cents per 1,000 gallons and would greatly improve the water for boiler, industrial and domestic purposes, and that large savings would result in use of boiler compounds and especially soap for laundry and other purposes, it being estimated the amount of soap used would be reduced 65 per cent and upwards.

In view of the extraordinary drafts on the treasury of the Grand Lodge, made necessary to complete the erection and equipment of the New Orphans' Home at La Grange and the more urgent character of other additions to the Sullivan Home herein proposed, your Board of Trustees is not disposed to strongly urge at this time the installation of a Water Softener Apparatus at Sullivan unless it is clearly apparent that there is an abundance of funds available for the purpose in which event such an expenditure would be recommended as wise and economic.

During the past year a considerable income has been derived from the sale of stock and produce, and some revenue also derived from board paid by Superintendent Hovey for a member of his family. The cash so received, less sums paid out under the direction of the Executive Committee for renewals and replacement of stock and produce amounted net to \$768.35 as per itemized statement in detail of the several transactions which has been filed with the R. W. Grand Secretary, Brother Isaac Cutter, to whom also was paid for the use of the M. W. Grand Lodge, the net amount thus realized, viz., \$768.35.

At the last Annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge this Board of Trustees was authorized to expend the income derived from this annual rental of the farm property at Sullivan not exceeding \$1,120.00 in permanent improvement of the property and betterment of its productivity. Accordingly the sum of \$1,000.00 was placed in the hands of the Board of Trustees and kept as a special fund for the purposes named. Expenditures have been made from this fund and vouchers filed for payments made amounting to \$382.48 leaving a balance of \$617.52 which your Board of Trustees recommend be held and disbursed from time to time as needed in making further improvements on the farm property,

as contemplated when the original appropriation was made, due accounting to be made to the M. W. Grand Lodge at its next Annual Communication of disbursements made from this Farm Improvement Fund.

The Board of Trustees desire to place on record a most sincere and earnest expression of appreciation of the zealous and indefatigable labors of each and every member of the Executive Committee in charge of the Sullivan Home.

Brothers Berks, Steele and Dixon are entitled to commendation in the highest degree for their unselfish devotion to the work entrusted to them and the eminently satisfactory results secured.

THE ORPHANS' HOME AT CHICAGO.

Pending the completion of the splendid Home now in course of erection at La Grange our orphan wards have lived contentedly, and been comfortably cared for in the temporary quarters at No. 23-25 Bishop Court, Chicago, which have been occupied since the disposal of the Home property originally purchased and improved for their occupancy.

Brother Charles E. Bassett and Mrs. Bassett were regularly re-appointed as Superintendent and Matron. In these capacities they have labored industriously, faithfully, efficiently, and to the satisfaction of all parties interested. They have merited and received the confidence of the management, the esteem of the parents whose children have been placed in their care, the regard of all who hold business relations with the institution, and more than all have gained to an exceptional extent the affections of the little ones entrusted to them. Friction, jars, or discord are unknown quantities in the household of our family of sixty-five children.

Superintendent Bassett's report is hereto appended and is well worthy of a careful perusal by every Mason and member of his family. The lease expires on the premises now occupied April 1, 1911, but there is no doubt of the new Home at La Grange being ready for occupancy before the close of the present year, and our family therein safely, comfortably and permanently installed.

The very complete report of Superintendent Bassett renders unnecessary further statement or explanation of the operation of the Orphans' Home. One pleasant episode should be recorded which had not come to the knowledge of Brother Bassett at the time of submitting his report. Reference is made to a beautiful picture album prepared by the seven-year-old daughter of Brother David E. Gibson of Chicago, and by her presented for the enjoyment and gratification of the children of our Orphans' Home.

BEQUEST.

November 18, 1909, this Board of Trustees were agreeably surprised to receive from Mr. Charles M. Morton, executor of the estate of Brother John C. Hammond of Geneseo, Ill., a draft for \$1,000.00 in favor of the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home representing a bequest of that amount to the institution by our deceased brother. The draft was immediately forwarded to M.W. Grand Master Ashley for proper disposition as an addition to permanent fund of Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home, and due acknowledgment of its receipt was promptly returned.

OFFICIAL BOND.

Immediately after the election of Brother Steele as Treasurer for the Board of Trustees, he filed a bond for \$20,000.00 conditioned upon the faithful performance of his official duties and due accounting of the funds and property held by him as Treasurer. The bond was signed by four personal sureties and was duly approved as required by the rules of the Board of Trustees.

THE HOME AT LA GRANGE.

Pursuant to the authority granted at the last Annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge, proposals were invited for the erection of a building at La Grange to be known as the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home on the beautiful site which had been purchased, and according to the plans of Messrs. Deal & Ginzel of Lincoln, Ill., which had been approved. The proposals first received were necessarily all rejected as they exceeded the appropriation. After a thorough and careful revision of the plans and specifications by which the cost was appreciably lessened without affecting the durable character of the building or its adaptability for the uses intended, proposals were again invited. After due comparison and mature consideration the contract was awarded to Messrs. W. M. Allen Son & Co. of Peoria, Ill., for the gross sum of \$92,950.00, they furnishing a good and sufficient surety bond for the faithful performance of the contract in the penal sum of \$50,000.00.

Ground was broken March 15, 1910, since which date the building has steadily progressed until it is safe to assume that the work will be completed within the next sixty days. If the M. W. Grand Lodge will at this Annual Convocation appropriate the requisite amount for furniture and fixtures, there is no doubt but that Christmas dinner will be spread in the New Home and our family comfortably as well as happily accommodated so that the event may be fittingly celebrated.

Of the \$75,000.00 appropriated for the erection of this building \$73,000.00 has been received by the Board of Trustees which with \$500.00 appropriated during the preceding year makes a total of \$73,500.00 to

be accounted for on construction account. There has been paid out of this account the following amounts:

To Contractors	\$57,205.00
To Architects	2,788.50
To Sundry Expense	87.00
	\$60,080.50

leaving balance in hands of Treasurer Steele of \$13,419.50, as shown by the report of Secretary Gurney.

THE LAYING OF THE CORNER STONE.

The Corner Stone of this structure was laid with Masonic Honors by Brother Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, who convened an Occasional Grand Lodge for that purpose, on April 30, 1910, at three o'clock in the afternoon. The weather conditions were unpropitious, but in every other respect this historic event was conducted to a successful conclusion amid general rejoicing and with glad acclaim. With a silver trowel specially made and suitably inscribed for the use of the M. W. Grand Master the cement was spread whereby the chief stone of the corner found a secure and lasting resting place, marking the climax of more than twenty-five years of constant endeavor to provide a permanent Masonic Home for the orphan children of our deceased brethren whom fate would otherwise cast adrift on the troubled sea of life.

All of the Masonic organizations in Cook county, including the Order of the Eastern Star, were invited to participate and form an escort for the M. W. Grand Lodge, to which invitation there was a generous response.

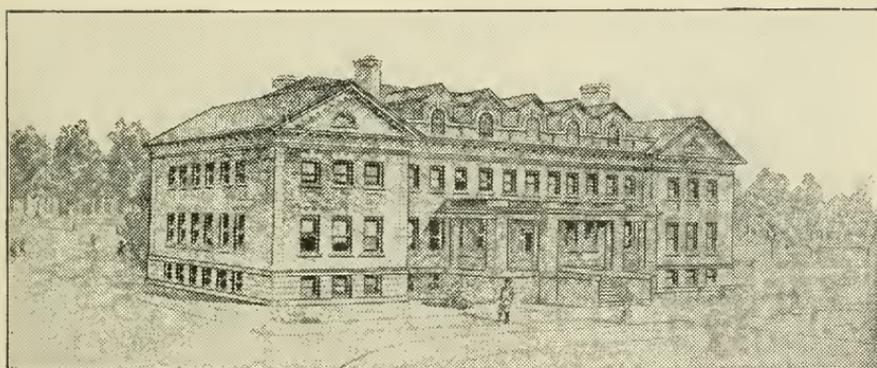
The following Commanderies, viz., Apollo, Chicago, St. Bernard, Columbia, and Siloam were represented by approximately 300 Sir Knights fully armed and equipped; two Chapters, viz., York and La Grange, supplied about 200 companions to swell the ranks of the escort; and twenty-one Lodges, viz., Crescent, America, Woodlawn Park, Ravenswood, La Grange, Arcana, Columbian, Waldeck, Constantia, Auburn Park, Mithra, Herder, Garfield, Union Park, Corner Stone, Kilwinning, Accordia, Cleveland, Waubansia, Berwyn, and Garden City added 1,100 more to the imposing column forming the escort.

The program of exercises is worthy of preservation by reason of the importance of the occasion and widespread interest in the accomplishment of the glorious undertaking. Your Board of Trustees therefore submit a copy herewith as a part of this report.

Illinois

Masonic Orphans Home

LA GRANGE, ILLINOIS



Cornerstone laid by the Masonic Fraternity
April 30, 1910

THE CEREMONY *of* TODAY

Laying the Cornerstone of the Permanent Illinois Masonic Orphans
Home at La Grange, Illinois, April 30, 1910

Bro. Albert B. Ashley *M. W. Grand Master*
Bro. Frank G. Smith *R. W. Grand Orator*
Bro. J. Webster Bailey *R. W. Grand Chaplain*

ORDER OF EXERCISES

At three o'clock P. M.

Selection St. Cecilia Band
Address Pres. Board of Trustees, Illinois Masonic Homes
Response M. W. Grand Master
Prayer R. W. Grand Chaplain
Ode United Masonic Quartettes
Laying of Cornerstone M. W. Grand Lodge
Selection United Masonic Quartettes
Oration R. W. Grand Orator
Selection St. Cecilia Band
Benediction R. W. Grand Chaplain

At the conclusion of the exercises the parade will be reformed and escort the
M. W. Grand Lodge to the hall of LaGrange Lodge, and there be dismissed.

The United Masonic Quartettes comprise the Lexington, Weber, Oriental,
Normal Park, Illinois, Imperial and Ingleside; all of whom have fraternally and
most graciously contributed their talented services for this memorable occasion.



COMPLIMENTARY PHOTOGRAPH BY GIBSON, SYKES & FOWLER, MCVICKERS THEATRE BLDG., CHICAGO

Illinois Masonic orphans at their temporary home
No. 23 Bishop Court
CHICAGO

As a matter of historic record it seems desirable to preserve a list of the contents comprising the corner stone deposit, which list is as follows:

CONTENTS OF CORNER STONE DEPOSIT, ILLINOIS MASONIC ORPHANS' HOME,
LA GRANGE, ILLINOIS, APRIL 30, 1910.

1. Annual Reports of Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home for each year from the organization of the corporation to date of transfer of its property to M. W. Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of the State of Illinois.
2. Report of Special Committee on Illinois Masonic Homes adopted by the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Illinois, October, 1903.
3. 1909 Proceedings of Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Illinois.
4. Constitution and By-laws of the M. W. Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M., State of Illinois; 1909 Edition.
5. Book of ceremonials of the M. W. Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M., State of Illinois; 1909 Edition.
6. Official letterhead and envelope of the R. W. Grand Secretary of the M. W. Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Illinois.
7. Official letter from the M. W. Grand Master relative to Corner Stone Ceremony.
8. Official letterhead of the Illinois Masonic Homes.
9. Rules and Regulations for the government of the Illinois Masonic Homes.
10. Photograph of the members of the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home inscribed with descriptive list of same. Photograph donated by Messrs. Gibson, Sykes & Fowler.
11. Photograph of Bro. Gil. W. Barnard, first Secretary of the Illinois Masonic Homes.
12. Photograph of Bro. Chester S. Gurney, present Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Illinois Masonic Homes with autograph signature.
13. Photograph of Bro. George W. Warvelle, Counsel for Illinois Masonic Orphans Home with signature.
14. Photograph of the members of the Board of Trustees of the Illinois Masonic Homes with their autograph signatures.
15. Roster of Official Organization Illinois Masonic Homes under the auspices of the M. W. Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Illinois from October, 1902, to date.
16. Roster of Official Organization Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home from date of charter, March 11, 1885, to assumption of control by the M. W. Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Illinois and subsequent thereto.

17. Masonic Directory for Cook County, 1910 Edition.
18. La Grange Papers, April 30, 1910.
19. Map of La Grange, Cook County, Illinois.
20. List of Municipal Officers of La Grange, Ill., April, 1910.
21. By-laws and list of members of La Grange Lodge No. 770, A. F. & A. M.
22. By-laws and list of members of La Grange Chapter No. 207, R. A. M.
23. Letterhead and business card of Messrs. W. M. Allen, Son & Co., contractors for erection of the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home.
24. Letterhead and business card of Messrs. Deal & Ginzler, architects of the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home.
25. Copy of Illinois Freemason, issue of April 20, 1910.
26. Copy of Masonic Chronicler, issue of April 30, 1910.
27. Copy of The Signet, issue of April 27, 1910.
28. Lincoln Penny of 1909 bearing initials of designer (issue subsequently suppressed by U. S. Government). Donated by Bro. George M. Moulton.
29. Photograph of first Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home.
30. Photograph of temporary Home for Illinois Masonic Orphans at No. 23 Bishop Court, Chicago. Photograph taken and donated by Messrs. Gibson, Sykes & Fowler of Chicago.
31. Photographs of the Home for the Aged at Sullivan, Illinois.
32. Program for Corner Stone Ceremony.
33. List of contents of Corner Stone Deposit, made at Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home at La Grange, Ill., April 30, 1910.

Notwithstanding the fact that a drizzling rain began to fall just as the escort began its march, and continued throughout the ceremonies, the large concourse of several thousand in attendance with manly and womanly spirit braved the elements and lustily cheered our popular and eloquent R. W. Grand Orator, Bro. Frank G. Smith, who graced the occasion with his presence and animated his hearers by delivering a fitting oration.

HISTORICAL.

Nowhere in Grand Lodge proceedings has there been recorded in connected form and chronological succession the official roster of Officers and Trustees who have in the past administered the affairs of these great charities which are now the self-imposed trust of this M. W. Grand Lodge. To supply this deficiency and perfect our history, your Board of Trustees have prepared the following exhibits and submit them as a part of this report:

EXHIBIT No. 2.—OFFICIAL ORGANIZATION ILLINOIS MASONIC HOMES

UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE M. W. GRAND LODGE, A. F. & A. M. STATE OF ILLINOIS, INITIAL ORGANIZATION OCTOBER 9, 1902. THE YEARS GIVEN ARE THOSE IN WHICH OFFICIAL TERM BEGUN.

NAME.	TRUSTEE.	PRESIDENT.	VICE-PRESIDENT.	TREASURER.	SECRETARY.
Moulton, Geo. M.	1902 to 1904 Incl. 1906 to 1909 Incl.	1902. 1909.	1908. 1903 to 1904 Incl.	.....	.....
Wright, Wm. B.	1902 to 1904 Incl.	.....	.....	.....	.....
Allen, Chester B.	1902 to 1906 Incl.	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pell, Alex H.	1902 to 1908 Incl.	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hitchcock, Chas. F.	1902 to 1908 Incl.	.....	1905 to 1907 Incl.	.....	.....
Scott, Owen	1902 to 1908 Incl.	1903 to 1908 Incl.	1902.	.....	.....
Couldard, L. A.	1902 to 1905 Incl.	.....	.....	1902 to 1905 Incl.	.....
*Mann, L. L.	1902 to 1904 Incl.	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Barclay, P. W.	1902 to 1904 Incl.	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cochran, W. G.	1902 to 1904 Incl.	.....	.....	.....	.....
Steele, Jas. A.	1902 to 1909 Incl.	.....	.....	1906 to 1909 Incl.	.....
McFarlich, J. B.	1902	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wheeler, R. H.	1902 to 1904 Incl.	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ashley, A. B.	1906 to 1907 Incl.	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	1903 to 1905 Incl.	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	1907 to 1909 Incl.	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Bill, J. H. C.	1905.	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	1905.	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	1909.	.....	.....	.....	.....
Daly, Robert J.	1906 to 1909 Incl.	.....	.....	.....	.....
Berks, H. W.	1908 to 1909 Incl.	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Miller, Thos. E.	1908 to 1909 Incl.	.....	1909.	.....	.....
Dixon, Wm. A.	1909.	.....	.....	.....	.....
**Fletcher, R. C.	1909.	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gurney, C. S. ....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

*Deceased.

**Succeeded to unexpired term of Bro. T. E. Miller.

1906 to 1909 Incl.
CLERK.
1902 to 1905 Incl.

FINANCIAL.

The reports of the Treasurer and Secretary are submitted herewith as a correct exhibit of the financial transactions of the Board during the past year. These reports have been carefully verified by an expert accountant not identified with the management, and his report is likewise appended, by which it will be seen that the unexpended balance of appropriations made for the maintenance of the two Homes amounts to \$703.04, which amount is herewith returned to the M. W. Grand Lodge according to previous custom and the conditions of the appropriation. The unexpended balance of the appropriation for erection of the New Orphans' Home at La Grange amounting to \$13,419.50 is still in the hands of Treasurer Steele, to be used for the purposes for which such appropriation was made.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Your Board of Trustees unanimously recommend that the following appropriations be made by the M. W. Grand Lodge at this Annual Convocation, to enable the consummation of present plans and purposes.

FOR THE HOME OF THE AGED AT SULLIVAN, ILL.

Account of maintenance and repairs \$24,000.00, to be paid in two equal semi-annual installments beginning October 15, 1910.

Account of Gas Plant and Regulator, \$600.00.

Account of Refrigerator Plant, \$1,000.00.

The last two items to be paid as needed for the payment of bills incurred in the prosecution of the contemplated work.

FOR THE ORPHANS' HOME AT CHICAGO AND LA GRANGE.

Account of maintenance \$14,000.00, to be paid in two equal semi-annual installments beginning October 15, 1910.

FOR BUILDING AND IMPROVEMENTS NEW ORPHANS' HOME AT LA GRANGE.

To complete the building according to contract and including architects' fees, and in addition to the sum of \$73,500.00 already received for these purposes \$25,000.00 to be paid in two installments of \$12,500.00 each on December 1, 1910, and January 1, 1911.

For grading, planting, driveways and walks, and otherwise permanently improving the grounds according to plans and specifications prepared by Mr. O. C. Simonds, Landscape Architect, the sum of \$2,500.00. For electric light and fixtures \$1,500.00. For Water Softener Plant, same being a necessity in connection with the artesian well water supply at

La Grange, \$1,400.00. For power laundry, \$1,600.00. For Furniture and Household equipment, \$4,000.00. These five items to be paid over to the Board of Trustees at such times and in such amounts as needed for the payment of bills incurred in the prosecution of the work.

The Board of Trustees further recommend that the income for the ensuing year from the farm property at Sullivan be left in its hands to be expended from time to time as needed for the permanent improvement and betterment of the farm property.

The appropriations as above specified will complete all the requisite investments of a permanent nature for the care of our aged and orphan dependents to the maximum number of one hundred and twenty-five old folks and one hundred and twenty children. Judging from past experience the facilities thus provided will meet all requirements, certainly for many years to come, so that hereafter for an indefinite period the M. W. Grand Lodge will only need to provide for the maintenance of the institutions and their membership for which its annual income available for charity purposes is more than sufficient and constantly increasing.

The M. W. Grand Lodge of Illinois now occupies a leading position among the Masonic Jurisdictions of the world in its provisions for the care and comfort of the unfortunate waifs of our fraternity under its jurisdiction, be they young or old, and we doubt not that each member of the craft who has knowledge of the good work which has been accomplished feels a pardonable pride in the results achieved, as well as a satisfying personal sense of participation and partnership in the great and glorious undertaking now practically completed.

Fraternally submitted for the Board of Trustees, Illinois Masonic Homes, by George M. Moulton, President.

To the Board of Trustees:

Brethren: Your Treasurer herewith submits his annual report of Receipts and Disbursements on account of

ILLINOIS MASONIC ORPHANS' HOME, CHICAGO, ILL.

1909.		RECEIPTS.	
Balance on hand last report.....		\$	206.31
October 9			12.00
November 2. From C. S. Gurney, Secretary.....			6,000.00
1910.			
January 10. From C. S. Gurney, Secretary.....			3,000.00
March 30. From C. S. Gurney, Secretary.....			6,000.00
April 11. From C. S. Gurney, Secretary.....			10,000.00
April 28. From C. S. Gurney, Secretary.....			10,000.00

June 1.	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary.....	10,000.00
July 6.	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary.....	10,000.00
July 30.	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary.....	10,000.00
September 2.	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary.....	10,000.00
September 27.	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary.....	10,000.00
September 28.	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary.....	96.72
September 30.	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary.....	51.95
		\$85,366.98

DISBURSEMENTS.

Vouchers Nos. 4586 to 4699.....	\$63,997.48
Balance on hand.....	21,369.50
	\$85,366.98

JAMES A. STEELE, *Treasurer.*

To the Board of Trustees:

Brethren: Your Treasurer herewith submits his annual report of Receipts and Disbursements on account of

ILLINOIS MASONIC HOME, AT SULLIVAN, ILL.

1909.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand last report.....	\$ 986.29
1910.	
February 14. From C. S. Gurney, Secretary.....	1,000.00
March 12. From C. S. Gurney, Secretary.....	12,000.00
March 30. From C. S. Gurney, Secretary.....	12,000.00
	\$25,986.29

DISBURSEMENTS.

Vouchers 737 to 808 (except 805 and 806) and 812.....	\$24,090.85
Balance on hand.....	1,895.44
	\$25,986.29

JAMES A. STEELE, *Treasurer.*

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

SULLIVAN.

RECEIPTS.

Treasurer's balance October 1, 1909.....	\$ 89.71
From Grand Lodge—maintenance acct.....	25,000.00
	\$25,089.71

DISBURSEMENTS.

Machinery	\$ 510.00	
Fuel	2,282.03	
Sundries	301.76	
Traveling expense	148.32	
Printing, stationery and postage.....	296.52	
Medical	1,892.19	
Salaries	4,311.42	
Provisions	8,845.80	
Clothing	1,151.78	
Labor	1,063.94	
Repairs	839.72	
Lighting	145.80	
Furnishings	824.33	
Superintendent's sundries	336.77	
Live stock	36.00	
General Fund—farm maintenance.....	1,000.00	
Hay and feed.....	89.90	
Total.....	\$24,076.28	
		\$24,076.28
Superintendent's balance Oct. 1, 1909..	\$211.45	
Superintendent's balance Oct. 1, 1910..	521.84	
		310.39
		24,386.67
Treasurer's balance Oct. 1, 1910.....		703.04

CHICAGO.

RECEIPTS.

Treasurer's balance Oct. 1, 1910.....	280.97
From Grand Lodge—maintenance acct.....	12,051.95
From Grand Lodge—construction acct.....	73,000.00
Sale of old material.....	46.72
Petty cash acct. turned back.....	50.00
Total receipts.....	\$85,429.64

DISBURSEMENTS.

Clothing	\$ 1,001.91
Sundries	502.65
Traveling expense	87.71
Salaries	1,740.00
Furnishings	283.89

Printing, stationery and postage.....	68.81	
Provisions	3,528.01	
Labor	1,536.14	
Medical	235.57	
Repairs	125.06	
School	90.67	
Superintendent's sundries	1,433.01	
Fuel	767.31	
Construction	60,043.80	
Total.....	\$71,444.54	
Superintendent's balance Oct. 1, 1909..	\$172.12	
Superintendent's balance Oct. 1, 1910..	737.72	
	565.60	
		72,010.14
Treasurer's balance Oct. 1, 1910 (construction acct.)...		\$13,419.50

Faternally submitted,

C. S. GURNEY, *Secretary.*

CHICAGO, October 10, 1910.

Gen. George M. Moulton, President Board of Trustees, Illinois Masonic Homes, Chicago, Ill.:

Sir:—I submit herewith the following report as the result of my examination of the books and records of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Illinois Masonic Homes for the year ending September 30, 1910:

SECRETARY'S RECORD, CHICAGO HOME.

Balance on hand September 30, 1909.....	\$ 280.97
Receipts, all sources, October 1, 1909 to September 30, 1910.....	85,148.67

DISBURSEMENTS.

As per voucher October 1, 1909, to September 30, 1910.....	\$72,010.14
Balance on hand September 30, 1910.....	13,419.50
	\$85,429.64

SULLIVAN HOME.

Balance September 30, 1909.....	\$ 89.71
Receipts, all sources, October 1, 1909, to September 30, 1910.....	25,000.00
	\$25,089.71

DISBURSEMENTS.

As per voucher October 1, 1909, to September 30, 1910.....	\$24,386.67
Balance on hand September 30, 1910.....	703.04
	\$25,089.71
Treasurer's balance Chicago Home.....	\$21,369.50
Secretary's balance Chicago Home.....	13,419.50
	\$ 7,950.00
Difference	\$ 7,950.00
Treasurer's balance Sullivan Home.....	\$ 1,895.44
Secretary's balance Sullivan Home.....	703.04
	\$ 1,192.40
Difference	\$ 1,192.40
The difference between the Secretary's and Treasurer's balance, Chicago Home, is caused by outstanding unpaid warrants Nos. 4699 and 4701 inclusive, amounting to.....	7,950.00
The difference between the Secretary's and Treasurer's balance, Sullivan Home, is caused by warrants Nos. 805 and 806, 808 to 810 inclusive, amounting to.....	1,192.40
Being outstanding and unpaid at close of business.	

I have verified the Treasurer's balance, and found same to agree with the amount on deposit in bank to credit of the respective accounts as shown by his reports.

Respectfully yours,

C. I. FORSHEE, *Accountant.*

23-25 BISHOP COURT, CHICAGO, Sept. 20th, 1910.

To the President and Members of the Board of Trustees Illinois Masonic Homes:

The following report of the general condition of the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home for the year ending September 30, 1910, is respectfully submitted:

The capacity of the Home is taxed almost to its extreme limit, but we hope to find room for all whom the Executive Committee may deem worthy of admission during the short time we will remain in this temporary abode.

All are looking forward with exceeding great interest to the completion of the new Home in LaGrange, with its light, airy rooms and clean, spacious playgrounds, where the children can breathe the invigorating air of the country and exercise their lungs and limbs in pursuit of the out-of-door sports they all love so well.

The children have attended the public school and Sunday school almost without interruption, as there has been no epidemic in the Home, and the contagious cases that have visited us have been so light that we were quarantined but a few days.

Dr. Sweet has been freely called to prescribe, and Mrs. Bassett has faithfully cared for the afflicted.

Two operations were performed on Home children in Frances Willard Hospital: Arthur Hoffer for defective articulation, and Alexander Finlayson for adenoids. Neither of these cases developed in the Home, and the operations resulted in no expense to the Grand Lodge.

It is our sad duty to report the death, by pneumonia, of two members of the Home—Willie Arndt, aged four years, and Ellen Swalley, aged three years, who passed away on the 29th of October and 22nd of December respectively. The ailment was promptly observed in both cases and everything was done to avert a fatal termination, but the little bodies were too frail to successfully resist the persistent attack of the disease. December 22nd had been designated for Christmas Eve at the Home, and little "Doody" (Ellen) had looked forward to the event with great interest. She was attractive, and bright beyond her years, and for sweetness and loyalty she was unsurpassed. The festivities were, of course, postponed to a later date. In each case the father took charge of the remains.

December 1st the fatal summons found its way into the official group and removed Brother Thomas E. Miller from the Executive Committee. His genial face and kindly ways greatly endeared him to all those who knew him well, and left a memory well worthy to be cherished by us all.

Only one of the Home children graduated from the public school during the year—Florence Seabrook. The scarcity of graduates, compared with previous years, was not due to a lack of aptness on the part of the children, or diminished effort in their supervision, but to the fact that so few of them have reached the age at which they are expected to graduate from the grammar grades. There is not a child in the Home but is well within the age limit prescribed by the Grand Lodge. The average age at this time is nine years, which is the lowest it has been for many years.

There should be at least five graduates during the ensuing year—two in February and three in June.

The members of the Executive Committee in charge of the Home have held monthly meetings regularly, and have made individual visits to the Home besides; but, with this exception, very few members of the fraternity have called to see the worthy institution which their noble generosity so well maintains.

Fewer changes than usual have occurred in the corps of employes, and better service has been rendered as a result. To the faithful ones who have assisted us in our important work our sincerest thanks are due.

Fully two-thirds of the children were taken out by their proper guardians for vacations after the close of school in June, but they are back, in good spirits and condition, ready and anxious for school.

We are much pleased with the healthy sentiment that prevails on the part of the children. And it will be better still, if possible; for the new Home will give them a freedom and an enjoyment that they have never known here, while it will not interfere with those inestimable advantages which will equip them to go out into the world.

Although we have kept well within the annual appropriation set aside for the maintenance of the Home, the children have not suffered in the least by it. The increased cost of necessities they have not felt. Careful buying and a close vigilance over the property of the Grand Lodge have enabled us to give them as good care as they have received in the years gone by. In connection with the next appropriation permit me to suggest that the population of the Home is increasing, and the cost of living in La Grange will undoubtedly be higher than it has been here. We close the year with no outstanding bills.

The following events have been enjoyed by the children during the year:

Four motion picture entertainments.

Parlor entertainment.

Party and entertainment given by Queen Esther Chapter, O. E. S., at Oriental Consistory Hall for the children of its members.

Laying the corner stone of the new Home in La Grange.

Mulhall's Wild West Show, by courtesy of Chicago American.

Memorial Day parade.

Annual Basket Picnic given by Dearborn Lodge No. 310 at Cedar Lake, Ind.

Tournament of Regular Troops at Grant Park.

Annual automobile ride around the park system of Chicago by the Chicago Automobile Club, Chicago Motor Club and the Chicago Automobile Trades Association.

Annual Picnic given at Columbia Park by Lodges Royal Arch and Eastern Star Chapters of Cook County.

Baseball between professional nines at Cubs' ball park.

Annual Picnic at Des Plaines given by York Chapter.

Boat ride to Michigan City, Ind., by courtesy of Brother Greenebaum, General Manager Indiana Transportation Company.

Competitive Drill of Knights Templar at National Ball Park.

Picnic at Humboldt Park given by Bethlehem Shrine No. 1.

Christmas at the Home was unusually quiet. The children had a fine dinner—fit for a down-easter. The ladies of the Christmas Committee furnished a Christmas tree beautifully decorated and nice presents, as has been their custom for many years, and the presents were given out by Brother Daly, of the Executive Committee.

The following donations have been received and the thanks of the Home returned for same:

Box oranges from Mrs. Sarah A. Eddy.

Fifty pounds fine chocolate candy from Garden City Lodge.

Apples and candy from Mr. L. G. Kunze.

Lot sandwiches from Brother J. H. Bell, of Garfield Lodge.

Twenty-five pounds chocolate creams from Mr. Hugh Hunter.

Box of candy for each child from Arcana Lodge—Brother Teare.

Box crackerjack for each child from Brother Chester, of Garfield Lodge.

Lot of sandwiches from Auxiliary Visitation Committee Oriental Consistory.

Lot of sandwiches from Columbian Lodge.

One hundred boxes crackerjack from Lincoln Park Chapter.

Fifty cents for each Home boy who attended the general picnic at Columbia Park, by Lady Washington Chapter, O. E. S.

Ten pounds fine candy from Mrs. Hamilton, of St. Andrew's Chapter, U. D. O. E. S.

Lot of bread from Brother Boes, of Columbia Commandery.

Forty-two boxes choice candy from Arcana Lodge.

Every boy and girl in the Home received a valentine from Miss Harriet Mohr.

We are indebted to Mrs. H. C. Eckett for the following reading matter—one year's subscription:

Little Folks.

American Boy.

Children's Magazine.

We have also received the Freemason and Masonic Home Journal.

We were compelled to decline invitations to picnics given by Auxiliary Visitation Committee of Oriental Consistory, Oriental Chapter O. E. S., and Volunteers of America, on account of conflicting dates.

Mrs. Bassett joins me in returning thanks for the support given us during the year by the Executive Committee.

SUPERINTENDENT'S FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand October 1, 1909.....	\$ 172.12
Received from Treasurer since.....	5,600.00
	\$5,772.12

DISBURSEMENTS.

Provisions	\$1,145.22
Clothing	378.02
Labor	1,536.14
School	38.73
Medical	185.57
Home furnishings.....	129.15
Repairs	125.06
Fuel	63.50
Sundries	1,433.01
Balance unexpended.....	737.72
	\$5,772.12

There is no laundry in the present Home and the clothes have to be sent out; which explains the large amount in sundries account. During the last year the text-books have been furnished by the City Board of Education; hence the small outlay shown in school account.

CHRISTMAS FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand October 1, 1909.....	\$280.93
Bro. B. F. Hedges, of Bee Hive Lodge.....	7.20
Woodlawn O. E. S. Club.....	10.00
Composite Lodge No. 879.....	10.00
Garden City Lodge No. 141.....	10.00
Cleveland Lodge No. 211.....	25.00
Cicero Chapter 180, R. A. M.....	25.00
Lincoln Park Chapter 177, R. A. M.....	5.00

Ancient Craft Lodge No. 907.....	5.00
Austin Lodge No. 850	25.00
Waubansia Lodge No. 160.....	50.00
Antioch Lodge No. 127.....	5.00
Jeffersonville Lodge No. 460.....	2.50
Delavan Lodge No. 156.....	5.00
Chicago Lodge No. 437.....	10.00
Crescent Lodge No. 895.....	10.00
Home Lodge No. 508.....	10.00
Columbian Lodge No. 819.....	10.00
Thomas J. Turner Lodge No. 409.....	10.00
East St. Louis Lodge No. 504.....	25.00
Columbia Chapter No. 202, R. A. M.....	10.00
Jackson Park Chapter No. 222, R. A. M.....	10.00
Welcome Lodge No. 916.....	25.00
Wright's Grove Lodge No. 779.....	5.00
Bro. Herman Kohl, of Arcana Lodge.....	5.00
Hesperia Lodge No. 411.....	10.00
La Grange Lodge No. 770.....	10.00
Gibson Council No. 72.....	25.00
Tracy Lodge No. 810.....	10.00
Bee Hive Lodge No. 909.....	5.00
Bro. B. F. Hedges, of Bee Hive Lodge.....	5.00
Bro. Tiedebold, of Dearborn Lodge No. 310.....	10.00
Bro. Neely, of Home Lodge.....	2.00
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	\$672.63

DISBURSEMENTS.

As per receipted bills examined by Executive Committee.....	\$ 67.55
Cash balance on hand September 30, 1910.....	605.08
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	\$672.63

SALES AND REFUNDS.

RECEIPTS.

Sale of empty flour barrels.....	\$ 5.38
Refund cost of surgical operation to Birdena Lane by W. S. Lane..	25.00
Refund by Bro. B. I. Swalley for balance funeral expenses advanced	8.00
Refund by Dearborn Lodge for transportation and badges.....	8.34
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	\$46.72

DISBURSEMENTS.

Cash to Bro. C. S. Gurney September 20, 1910.....	\$ 46.72
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ADMITTED SINCE SEPTEMBER 30, 1909.

Name.	Admitted.	Age.		Lodge.	Location.
		Now.	Then.		
Ashley, Herbert R.	Nov. 6, 1909	10	11	Alma, 497.	Steeleville
Ashley, Marie D.	Nov. 6, 1909	7	8	Alma, 497.	Steeleville
Mellor, Gertrude	Nov. 12, 1909	10	11	Pleiades, 478.	Chicago
Mellor, Harold J.	Nov. 12, 1909	6	7	Pleiades, 478.	Chicago
Mellor, Edith M.	Nov. 12, 1909	2	3	Pleiades, 478.	Chicago
Wallace, Mabel L.	Dec. 5, 1909	6	7	Union Park, 610.	Chicago
Shanks, William S.	Mar. 5, 1910	12	12	Cleveland, 211.	Chicago
Shanks, George B.	Mar. 5, 1910	10	10	Cleveland, 211.	Chicago
Shanks, Harold E.	Mar. 5, 1910	7	8	Cleveland, 211.	Chicago
Ruhle, William H.	Mar. 7, 1910	8	9	Cleveland, 211.	Chicago
Ruhle, Albert G.	Mar. 7, 1910	7	7	Cleveland, 211.	Chicago
Rogers, Zetta A.	May 26, 1910	9	9	Grand Crossing, 776.	Chicago
Rogers, Grace S.	May 26, 1910	2	2	Grand Crossing, 776.	Chicago
Finlayson, Alex. J.	June 1, 1910	8	8	Aurora, 254.	Aurora
Finlayson, Douglas	June 1, 1910	5	6	Aurora, 254.	Aurora
Finlayson, Dorothy	June 1, 1910	5	6	Aurora, 254.	Aurora
Rhydderch, Dorothy	June 11, 1910	8	8	Fides, 842.	West Pullman
Beenke, Martin	June 26, 1910	7	7	Kensington, 804.	Chicago
Beenke, Albertus	June 26, 1910	3	3	Kensington, 804.	Chicago
Beenke, Johan	July 17, 1910	5	5	Kensington, 804.	Chicago
Ruhle, Pauline	Sept. 14, 1910	5	5	Cleveland, 211.	Chicago
Giseke, John J.	Sept. 15, 1910	8	8	Oriental, 33.	Chicago
Giseke, August W.	Sept. 15, 1910	7	7	Oriental, 33.	Chicago
Giseke, Bernard H.	Sept. 15, 1910	3	3	Oriental, 33.	Chicago

DISCHARGED SINCE SEPTEMBER 30, 1909.

*Arndt, William J.	Oct. 29, 1909	Cary, Thelma S.	Mar. 28, 1910
Arndt, Carl J.	Nov. 8, 1909	Wallace, Mabel L.	May 1, 1910
Caskie, Mary F.	Nov. 8, 1909	Foust, Hazel V.	June 26, 1910
*Swalley, Ellen D.	Dec. 24, 1909	Bimrick, Elsie	Aug. 16, 1910
Graham, John	Dec. 12, 1910	Kernahan, Carolyn S.	Sept. 12, 1910
Cary, James L.	Mar. 28, 1910	Hofer, Arthur L.	Sept. 12, 1910
Cary, Sarah A.	Mar. 28, 1910	French, Chester	Sept. 12, 1910
Cary, Hubert O.	Mar. 28, 1910		

*Died.

PRESENT MEMBERSHIP OF THE HOME.

Name.	Admitted.	Age.		Lodge.	Location.
		Now.	Then.		
Kernahan, William J.	Nov. 1, 1901	3	12	Ashlar, 308.	Chicago
Seabrook, Florence	Dec. 21, 1901	4	13	Berwyn, 839.	Berwyn
Seabrook, Howard	Dec. 21, 1901	3	12	Berwyn, 839.	Berwyn
Brookman, Lillian M.	June 11, 1902	5	13	Garfield, 686.	Chicago
Brookman, Virginia A.	June 11, 1902	3	11	Garfield, 686.	Chicago
Lane, James A.	July 29, 1903	7	14	Ellis, 633.	Rockford
Lane, Gladys B.	July 29, 1903	5	12	Ellis, 633.	Rockford
Shaw, Robert E.	Sept. 15, 1903	5	12	Hesperia, 411.	Chicago
Seabrook, Alice M.	Sept. 3, 1903	3	10	Berwyn, 839.	Berwyn
Ledger, Marian C.	Feb. 20, 1905	9	14	Covenant, 526.	Chicago
Crapp, Laura M.	May 30, 1905	8	13	Mystic Star, 758.	Chicago
Crapp, Robert	May 30, 1905	5	10	Mystic Star, 758.	Chicago
Brookman, John F.	Dec. 17, 1903	2	9	Garfield, 686.	Chicago
Black, Agnes M.	Sept. 1, 1906	8	12	Richard Cole, 697.	Chicago
Hosney, Ora M.	Aug. 24, 1907	10	13	Hutton, 698.	Diona
Hosney, Bernice V.	Aug. 24, 1907	4	7	Hutton, 698.	Diona
Van Asdlen, Bessie B.	Jan. 31, 1908	7	9	Channahon, 262.	Channahon
Van Asdlen, William M.	Jan. 31, 1908	5	7	Channahon, 262.	Channahon
Caskie, James H.	Mar. 18, 1908	10	13	Englewood, 690.	Chicago
Messner, Christian W.	May 7, 1908	7	10	Accordia, 277.	Chicago
Messner, Joseph F.	May 7, 1908	5	8	Accordia, 277.	Chicago
Hopkins, Mabel C.	Aug. 30, 1908	8	10	Myrtle, 795.	Chicago
Hopkins, Helen	Sept. 13, 1908	7	9	Myrtle, 795.	Chicago
Bablitz, Mamie.	Oct. 5, 1908	8	10	Constantia, 783.	Chicago
Rhodus, Kethel F.	Oct. 3, 1908	8	10	Tolono, 391.	Tolono
Rhodus, Frances H.	Oct. 3, 1908	6	8	Tolono, 391.	Tolono

Name.	Admitted.	Age.	Age Now.	Lodge.	Location.
Adair, Harriet H.....	Jan. 21, 1909	12	13	Arcana, 717.....	Chicago
Adair, Robert W.....	Jan. 21, 1909	8	10	Arcana, 717.....	Chicago
Adair, Arthur J.....	Jan. 21, 1909	6	7	Arcana, 717.....	Chicago
Swalley, Carter A.....	Mar. 28, 1909	5	6	John D. Moody, 510....	Juka
Swalley, Helen D.....	Mar. 28, 1909	2	4	John D. Moody, 510....	Juka
Olson, Herbert A.....	April 2, 1909	13	14	Covenant, 526.....	Chicago
Norris, Evelyn M.....	May 6, 1909	6	7	Composite, 879.....	Chicago
Norris, William H.....	May 6, 1909	4	6	Composite, 879.....	Chicago
Gutcher, William R. D.....	May 20, 1909	7	8	Harbor, 731.....	Chicago
Gutcher, Thomas A.....	May 20, 1909	5	6	Harbor, 731.....	Chicago
H'jarsen, Otto A. P.....	May 21, 1909	11	12	Chicago, 437.....	Chicago
Wayman, Esther M.....	May 31, 1909	9	10	Hesperia, 411.....	Chicago
Wayman, Josephine E.....	May 31, 1909	5	6	Hesperia, 411.....	Chicago
Schubert, Alice.....	Aug. 6, 1909	7	8	New Park, 610.....	Chicago
Welborn, Charles.....	Aug. 31, 1909	11	12	Union Haven, 230....	New Haven
Welborn, Richard J.....	Aug. 31, 1909	9	10	New Haven, 230....	New Haven
Ashley, Herbert R.....	Nov. 6, 1909	10	11	Alma, 497.....	Steeleville
Ashley, Marie D.....	Nov. 6, 1909	7	8	Alma, 497.....	Steeleville
Mellor, Gertrude.....	Nov. 12, 1909	10	11	Pleiades, 478.....	Chicago
Mellor, Harold J.....	Nov. 12, 1909	6	7	Pleiades, 478.....	Chicago
Mellor, Edith M.....	Nov. 12, 1909	2	3	Pleiades, 478.....	Chicago
Shanks, William S.....	Mar. 5, 1910	12	12	Cleveland, 211.....	Chicago
Shanks, George B.....	Mar. 5, 1910	10	10	Cleveland, 211.....	Chicago
Shanks, Harold E.....	Mar. 5, 1910	7	8	Cleveland, 211.....	Chicago
Ruhle, William H.....	Mar. 7, 1910	8	9	Cleveland, 211.....	Chicago
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Beenke, Johan.....	July 17, 1910	5	5	Kensington, 804....	Chicago
Ruhle, Pauline.....	Sept. 14, 1910	5	5	Cleveland, 211.....	Chicago
Giseke, John J.....	Sept. 15, 1910	8	8	Oriental, 33.....	Chicago
Giseke, August W.....	Sept. 15, 1910	7	7	Oriental, 33.....	Chicago
Giseke, Bernhard H.....	Sept. 15, 1910	3	3	Oriental, 33.....	Chicago

RECAPITULATION OF POPULATION.

Members in the Home October 1, 1909.....	56
Admitted during the year.....	24
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.....	80
Discharged during the year.....	15
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Members in the Home September 30, 1910.....	65
Gain during the year.....	9

CAUSE OF DISCHARGES.

Died.....	2
Expiration of time.....	4
Taken by parents or guardians able to provide.....	9
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.....	15

Fraternally,

CHAS. E. BASSETT, *Superintendent.*

To the President, Board of Trustees, Illinois Masonic Homes:

The Executive Committee in charge of the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home, 23 and 25 Bishop Court, Chicago, reports as following:

Its meetings have been conducted in peace and closed in harmony.

The Superintendent and Matron have constantly rendered painstaking, efficient and appreciated service.

With a few exceptions, the health of the members has been excellent, and in all contingencies and vicissitudes the care and attention of Dr. Sweet, the physician of the Home, has been faithful and efficient.

Following established custom, the Committee has held regular monthly meetings at the Home with the Superintendent, and during each month a member of the committee, in turn, has given personal oversight to necessary administrative details.

Running expenses have been kept within the appropriation for the same.

For more specific information regarding the affairs of the Home we refer you to the report of the Superintendent transmitted herewith.

The Committee would call the attention of the Board to the necessity of a larger appropriation for running expenses at the new Home in La Grange, which should be administered on a scale commensurate with its size and beauty.

The Committee also urges the necessity of an appropriation of \$4,000.00 for the furnishings of the new Home.

Oct. 10th, 1910.

Fraternally submitted,

ROBERT J. DALY,
ROBERT C. FLETCHER,
GEO. M. MOULTON.

CHICAGO, Oct. 1st, 1910.

To the Board of Trustees of the Illinois Masonic Homes:

Gentlemen:—In making my report of the Chicago Institution it will be somewhat brief, the Superintendent's report covering many points.

The health of the children, as a rule, has been good. There have been two cases of diphtheria—both recovered—a number of cases of minor illness, also several operations of a minor character.

Two deaths have to be reported during the year, but in both cases the children were frail—never in perfect health.

The two deaths above reported are the only ones in nearly eight years, making the death rate about one-fourth of the average death rate in the city of Chicago.

As a matter of fact, the number of days' illness as well as the death rate shows a much less percentage than any institution in Illinois and, so far as I can learn, in the United States. This speaks well for the watchful care of those in immediate charge of the Home.

Further, the death rate in institutions for orphans—owing to the fact that many have inherited frail bodies—is usually largely in excess of the general death rate.

At the present time the children are all in usual good health.

Respectfully submitted,

E. C. SWEET, M. D., *Home Physician.*

ILLINOIS MASONIC HOME,

SULLIVAN, ILL., Sept. 30th, 1910.

To the President and Members of the Board of Trustees of the Illinois Masonic Homes:

Herewith my report for the year ending Sept. 30th, 1910. There has been nothing unusual during the past year. Our Home family are in fairly good health.

We think our Home grows more beautiful as it grows older. The trees are getting large enough to afford a little shade, the climbing vines are beginning to be in evidence, and we are proud of our Home.

At Thanksgiving time we had a most enjoyable dinner and the hearts of our entire family were filled with gratitude for their manifold blessings and comforts. Our Christmas time was one of delight. The entire family were generously remembered.

Herewith statement of receipts and disbursements of the Christmas fund for this Home:

Nov. 1, 1909, balance on hand.....	\$ 44.18
Nov. 29, 1909, Temple Lodge No. 46, Peoria.....	25.00
Dec. 9, 1909, Lincoln Park Chapter No. 177, R. A. M.,	25.00
Dec. 11, 1909, Cicero Chapter No. 18, R. A. M., Chicago... Chicago ...	5.00
Dec. 14, 1909, Ancient Craft Lodge No. 907, Chicago.....	5.00
Dec. 14, 1909, Jeffersonville Lodge No. 460.....	2.50
Dec. 14, 1909, Austin Lodge No. 850.....	25.00
Dec. 16, 1909, Delavan Lodge No. 156.....	5.00
Dec. 20, 1909, East St. Louis Lodge No. 504.....	25.00
Dec. 21, 1909, Columbian Chapter No. 202, R. A. M., Chicago.....	10.00
Dec. 21, 1909, Columbian Lodge No. 819, Chicago.....	10.00
Dec. 22, 1909, Wrights Grove Lodge No. 779, Chicago.....	5.00
Dec. 22, 1909, Sibley Lodge No. 761.....	5.00
Dec. 22, 1909, Piper City Lodge No. 608.....	6.75
Dec. 22, 1909, Paxton Lodge No. 416.....	5.00

Dec. 22, 1909, Melvin Lodge No. 811.....	5.00
Dec. 22, 1909, Norton Lodge No. 631, Cabery.....	10.00
Dec. 22, 1909, Gibson Lodge No. 733, Gibson City.....	10.00
Dec. 22, 1909, Chatsworth Lodge No. 539.....	5.00
Dec. 22, 1909, Forrest Lodge No. 614.....	5.00
Dec. 22, 1909, Pontiac Lodge No. 294.....	5.00
Dec. 22, 1909, Livingston Lodge No. 371, Dwight.....	5.00
Dec. 22, 1909, Odell Lodge No. 401.....	5.00
Dec. 22, 1909, Long Point Lodge No. 552.....	5.00
Dec. 22, 1909, Tarbolton Lodge No. 351, Fairbury.....	10.00
Dec. 24, 1909, Oriental Lodge No. 33, Chicago.....	25.00
Dec. 25, 1909, Saunemin Lodge No. 738.....	5.00
Dec. 25, 1909, Cornell Lodge No. 868.....	5.00
Dec. 27, 1909, Gothic Lodge No. 852, East St. Louis.....	10.00
Dec. 31, 1909, W. H. Meyer, New York.....	5.00
Feb. 5, 1910, Lostant Lodge No. 870.....	5.00
Sept. 3, 1910, Marine Lodge No. 355.....	5.00
Total	\$328.43

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Nov. 29, 1909. Fred Fauth Co.....Decorations	\$ 3.50
Dec. 20, 1909. C. F. Whitfield.....Neckties	24.00
Dec. 20, 1909. Sullivan Dry Goods Co.....Dry goods	8.10
Dec. 22, 1909. W. W. Eden.....Decorations .....	.60
Dec. 22, 1909. Sullivan Dry Goods Co.....Dry goods	1.00
Dec. 22, 1909. J. M. Cummins & Son.....Hardware .....	.75
Dec. 22, 1909. American Express Co.....Express charges	1.25
Dec. 22, 1909. Mike Finley.....Candy	1.70
Dec. 23, 1909. J. M. David.....Hardware .....	.75
Dec. 23, 1909. Sam B. Hall.....Christmas goods	6.30
Dec. 23, 1909. W. W. Eden.....Envelopes	1.00
Dec. 23, 1909. The Economy Store.....Christmas goods	2.00
Dec. 24, 1909. Mike Finley.....Candies	18.00
Dec. 24, 1909. Merchants' & F. S. Bank.....Dollar bills	80.00
Dec. 24, 1909. Rev. F. T. Klotzsche.....Preaching	5.00
Dec. 24, 1909. Rev. A. L. Caseley.....Preaching	5.00
Dec. 24, 1909. Rev. A. T. Corey.....Preaching	5.00
Dec. 24, 1909. Rev. J. W. Walter.....Preaching	5.00
Dec. 24, 1909. O. O. Wormwood.....Cigars	1.75
Dec. 25, 1909. Smith & Ward.....Handkerchiefs	2.00
Dec. 25, 1909. G. R. Brown.....Christmas goods	2.00
Dec. 25, 1909. W. W. Eden.....Christmas goods	1.20
Dec. 25, 1909. W. W. Eden.....Christmas goods	1.00
Dec. 25, 1909. Sullivan Dry Goods Co.....Dry goods	13.00
Feb. 5, 1910. Heller Brothers.....Flowers	3.60
Mch. 2, 1910. Emma V. White.....Flowers	1.99
May 10, 1910. W. H. Gullett.....Flowers	1.50
May 23, 1910. ....Flowers	2.70
June 7, 1910. ....Fireworks	35.00
July 3, 1910. ....Fireworks	5.00
July 18, 1910. ....Clipper	5.50
Oct. 1, 1910. Balance cash on hand.....	83.24
Total	\$328.43

We wish to again thank our friends for the following generous gifts:

Sister M. A. Walder, one sewing machine.

Management of Moultrie County Fair and Races, free admission to the grounds for our entire family.

Dr. Eleanor Beatty, Pana, Ill., lecture on Hawaiian Islands, with stereopticon views displayed by J. B. Warner, Decatur, Ill.

On this occasion we were furnished with music by the Sullivan Orchestra and favored with a vocal solo by Mrs. H. W. Marxmiller.

Garden City Lodge No. 141, one wheel chair and a pound box of candy for each member of our Home family.

Wiley M. Egan Chapter No. 126, R. A. M., Chicago, Christmas cigars for the Old Boys, one fine upholstered leather Morris rocking chair and ten sets of games. Again, on Aug. 27th, 1910, from same Chapter, by the hand of our brother, George McKenzie, candy and cigars for the Old Boys and Girls.

William McKinley Lodge No. 876, Chicago, cribbage boards, chess and checker men, checker board and three decks cards.

Miss Ella George Parker, Chicago, valentines for the Home family.

Arcana Lodge No. 717, Chicago, fine leather upholstered davenport.

York Chapter No. 148, R. A. M., Chicago, one fine leather upholstered Morris rocker.

Edward Morris, Chicago, one fine wagonette.

Wehrman Ladies' Quartette, musical treat.

Sister Mary Hurlbut, 41 pieces silverware.

Delang Cole & Co., Chicago, 12 lead pencils, 12 penholders, two bottles ink, one bottle mucilage, 12 pads writing paper.

Our Brothers George McKenzie and B. W. Shibley looked well to the interests of our Home.

Brother James P. Craig, three fine steel engravings.

Through the courtesy of our Brothers James A. Steele, O. L. Todd, Sam Miller, Irving Shuman, D. L. Enslow, E. J. Enslow and O. J. Ganger, our Old Boys were given an automobile ride and witnessed the conferring of the third degree in Sullivan Lodge No. 764.

Brother Charles Catlin, Secretary Oriental Lodge No. 33, sends us "Lodge Notes."

Brother James A. Steele furnishes the Home the following magazines: Scribner's, Red Book, Cosmopolitan, McClure's and Ladies' Home Journal.

Through the courtesy of the publishers we receive the following papers: The Decatur Herald, Bloomington Daily Bulletin, Bloomington Weekly Pantagraph, Reynolds Press, Galesburg Evening News, Orange Judd Farmer, Sullivan Democrat, Sullivan Progress, daily and weekly, Moultrie County News, Windsor Gazette, Masonic News, Masonic Chronicler, Voice of Masonry, Illinois Freemason, and Eastern Star Journal.

During the year we have lost the following members of our Home family:

James Wilson Smith, of Andrew Jackson Lodge 487, died Nov. 28th, 1909. Buried in our Home Burying Grounds in Sullivan.

John G. Crosier, of Mt. Vernon Lodge No. 31, died Oct. 30th, 1909. Remains sent to Peabody, Kansas, and buried by his relatives.

Washington Hamilton Cain, of Blue Mound Lodge No. 682, died in Jacksonville, Ill., Dec. 8th, 1909. Body brought to Sullivan and laid to rest in our Home Burying Grounds.

James P. Craig, of Illinois Lodge No. 263, Peoria, left this Home on Nov. 29th, 1909, to go to the Proctor Home in Peoria.

George Washington Dickinson, of Jackson Lodge No. 53, Shelbyville, Ill., died Jan. 9th, 1910. Buried in our Home Burying Grounds.

Thomas Corwin Ashbrook, of Irving Lodge No. 55, left this Home on Feb. 17th, 1910, to return to his family in Irving.

Elisha Seamens, of Covenant Lodge No. 526, Chicago, died March 22nd, 1910. Remains taken to Chicago for burial.

George Kenney, of Hesperia Lodge No. 411, Chicago, died May 6th, 1910. His relatives took the remains to Aurora, N. Y., for burial.

George Washington Cox, of Clayton Lodge No. 147, died June 17th, 1910. Buried in our Home Burying Grounds June 19th, 1910.

Brother Samuel S. Corson, of Garfield Lodge, No. 686, a member of this Home family, absent on furlough, died in Chicago Sept. 25th, 1910. Body was laid to rest in Oakwood Cemetery.

Through the courtesy of Sullivan Lodge No. 764 all Brothers buried in our Home Burying Grounds have been laid to rest with Masonic honors.

The following members compose our Home family:

MEMBERS OF ILLINOIS MASONIC HOME FAMILY.
SEPT. 30TH, 1910.

Name.	Age.	Date Admitted.	Lodge.	No.	Location
Mrs. A. W. Philbower	70	Nov. 23, 1904	Mattoon	260	Mattoon
Alexander Masters	77	Dec. 7, 1904	Central	71	Springfield
Mary J. Masters	72	Dec. 7, 1904	Central	71	Springfield
L. N. Roland	85	Dec. 7, 1904	Virden	161	Virden
J. W. Apperson	88	Dec. 15, 1904	Bloomfield	148	Chrisman
Henry F. Birely	81	Dec. 27, 1904	Robert Burns	113	Keithsburg
Chas. H. Hubbell	79	Dec. 27, 1904	Lancaster	106	Glasford
Hiram H. Carpenter	88	Dec. 29, 1904	Oriental	33	Chicago
Thos. W. Cunningham	60	Feb. 15, 1905	Mahomet	220	Mahomet
George Cushing	92	Mch. 8, 1905	Bradford	514	Bradford
George N. Van Houten	81	May 1, 1905	Landmark	422	Chicago
John S. Kistler	64	May 12, 1905	Preemption	735	Preemption
G. D. Rundell	79	June 28, 1905	Acacia	67	LaSalle
A. J. Lundquist	81	Oct. 3, 1905	Greenview	63	Greenview
Wm. C. McDugle	81	Oct. 16, 1905	Clinton	19	Petersburg
Levi Sisk	82	Nov. 23, 1905	Prairie	27	Paris

Phyllippa Nelson	72	Nov. 28, 1905	Pleiades	28	Chicago
Stephen Ellis	84	Feb. 15, 1906	Harmony	3	Jacksonville
George McKissick	58	Feb. 22, 1906	Rock Island	658	Rock Island
Mary A. Alexander	76	Mch. 31, 1906	Ionic	312	Decatur
Zachariah Shugart	78	May 14, 1906	Colchester	496	Colchester
James W. Hoover	62	June 29, 1906	Greenup	125	Greenup
Hester McPham	88	Nov. 12, 1906	Empire	126	Pekin
Orilla McAllister	73	June 29, 1907	Genoa	288	Genoa
George W. Hamer	80	Sept. 5, 1907	Tyrian	333	Springfield
John W. Walker	78	Oct. 19, 1907	New Hope	620	Livingston
Gabriel Clark	79	Dec. 4, 1907	Flora	204	Flora
Oswin Bourne	73	Jan. 29, 1908	Streator	607	Streator
Allen Newnham	75	Feb. 1, 1908	Barry	34	Barry
Mrs. M. V. Cox	64	Feb. 10, 1908	Clayton	147	Clayton
Sarah Cain	77	Feb. 18, 1908	Blue Mound	682	Blue Mound
Mrs. G. W. Hamer	77	April 15, 1908	Tyrian	333	Springfield
W. H. Maroe	51	April 20, 1908	Kindrick	430	Timewell
Lewis Klein	35	April 28, 1908	Keystone	629	Chicago
Thomas Genie	71	May 6, 1908	Covenant	526	Chicago
Arthur M. Kelly	60	May 11, 1908	Atlanta	165	Atlanta
John Gregor	82	May 11, 1908	Nebo	806	Nebo
A. W. Pohlman	56	May 11, 1908	Temple	46	Peoria
Harrison Orr	72	May 12, 1908	Toledo	834	Toledo
Thos. B. Sprouse	65	May 14, 1908	Carmi	272	Carmi
Robt. J. Dauphiny	68	May 18, 1908	Garfield	686	Chicago
John D. Easter	83	May 18, 1908	Evans	524	Evanston
Fred Yunker	69	May 22, 1908	Wilmington	208	Wilmington
W. H. Snell	62	May 26, 1908	Benjamin	297	Camp Point
John T. Fitzpatrick	75	June 21, 1908	Arcana	717	Chicago
O. O. Wormwood	78	June 22, 1908	Jerusalem Tem.	90	Aurora
Wm. Leeper	61	Aug. 24, 1908	Oriental	33	Chicago
Ernest Adam	79	Sept. 3, 1908	Herman	39	Quincy
Aaron Hall	73	Sept. 9, 1908	Ionic	312	Decatur
Nels. Anderson	80	Sept. 12, 1908	Lakeside	739	Chicago
Ellen Bruner	71	Oct. 3, 1908	Peasa	27	Alton
L. B. Phettyplace	67	Dec. 2, 1908	D. C. Cregier	643	Chicago
Maria Carter	83	Dec. 10, 1908	Landmark	422	Chicago
S. R. Stoddard	74	Jan. 4, 1909	Effingham	49	Effingham
Jas. H. Champlin	62	April 19, 1909	Capron	575	Capron
Nellie G. Champlin	48	April 19, 1909	Capron	575	Capron
Mary B. Dauphiny	54	May 7, 1909	Garfield	686	Chicago
Bicknel Fancher	81	May 8, 1909	Dearborn	310	Chicago
E. N. Baker	72	May 18, 1909	Wade Barney	512	Bloomington
Mrs. E. N. Baker	59	June 29, 1909	Wade Barney	512	Bloomington
Robert Huffmaster	68	June 27, 1909	Laomi	450	Laomi
Mrs. Amelia Robbins	72	June 4, 1909	Waubansia	160	Chicago
G. H. Reynolds	86	June 22, 1909	Kilwinning	311	Chicago
G. A. Titus	63	June 25, 1909	Illinois	263	Peoria
Wm. A. Young	81	July 22, 1909	Hope	162	Sparta
Mrs. M. A. Walder	71	July 30, 1909	Cairo	237	Cairo
Charles Maroe	13	July 30, 1909	Kendrick	430	Timewell
L. J. Kolar	62	Aug. 30, 1909	Pleiades	478	Chicago
Saml. S. Corson	73	Nov. 12, 1909	Garfield	686	Chicago
Mary F. Hurlbut	69	Oct. 18, 1909	Englewood	690	Chicago
Emily C. Hansell	62	Nov. 6, 1909	Lincoln Park	611	Chicago
Martha A. Lawrence	74	Nov. 18, 1909	Cleveland	211	Chicago
E. A. Vanordstrand	78	Nov. 19, 1909	Heyworth	251	Heyworth
Catherine Taylor	73	Dec. 2, 1909	Garden City	141	Chicago
Virginia C. Crowley	66	Feb. 14, 1910	Arcana	717	Chicago
G. W. McIntire	65	Mch. 9, 1910	Vesper	584	Galesburg
Mary E. Charlton	70	Mch. 22, 1910	Tuscola	332	Tuscola
Ella A. Phillips	63	April 15, 1910	Murphysboro	498	Murphysboro
Thomas H. Phillips	72	April 15, 1910	Murphysboro	498	Murphysboro
Chas. S. Wigginton	76	May 10, 1910	Robinson	250	Robinson
Wm. P. Mattison	84	June 27, 1910	Kilwinning	311	Chicago
E. J. Savigny	82	June 28, 1910	Austin	850	Chicago
George Pfirrmann	72	July 21, 1910	Lambert	659	Quincy
L. K. Tucker	77	July 30, 1910	Geneva	139	Geneva
R. H. Ferguson	77	Aug. 16, 1910	Ionic	312	Decatur
E. A. Ferguson	78	Aug. 16, 1910	Ionic	312	Decatur
Mrs. Martha Humble	75	Sept. 9, 1910	Iuka	510	Iuka

RECAPITULATION.

Received	22	Died	8
September 15, 1910.....	76	Demented	2
	<u>98</u>	Left	2
		In Home September 30.....	86
			<u>98</u>

Please accept the thanks of Mrs. Hovey and myself for the kindness shown us during the past year.

Yours fraternally,

CHAS. L. HOVEY, *Superintendent.*

Sullivan, Ill., October 22, 1910.

To the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Homes:

Dear Brothers: I beg to make the following report. I make a regular visit to the Masonic Home once every week, going every Wednesday and as often as the superintendent and myself deem necessary.

There have been admitted to the hospital during the past year seventy members, fifty-four have been discharged, eight have died, and eight are at present in the hospital. Four of these members are unable to care for themselves, not sick but are crippled, and one brother is blind and paralyzed. Quite a number are afflicted with locomotor ataxia and diseases peculiar to persons of their age, viz., senile debility. There have been no contagious or infectious diseases and not a single accident of any importance.

One member, Brother Seaman, was sent to us in almost a dying condition, was only with us a very short time. Many of them are quite feeble and need constant care. We have to see that they care for their person and ventilate their rooms. We urge those who are able to get some form of exercise in the open air; if they do not get this exercise they soon become sluggish and are sick. The general health has been very good the past year.

Yours fraternally,

W. P. DAVIDSON, M.D.

REPORT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MASONIC HOME, SULLIVAN.

To the President and Board of Trustees, Illinois Masonic Home:

Your Executive Committee for the Home at Sullivan fraternally reports that during the past year twelve monthly meetings have been held, with all of the committee present, while on several other occasions individual members of the committee have visited the Home for the purpose of keeping in close touch with its affairs and management. It has been our inclination and aim to keep the institution up to a high standard of

excellence, to operate it on as economical a basis as possible, and at all times be fully conversant with its business. Nothing of importance has been too small for our personal attention and consideration, and we have endeavored to administer our trust to the best of our ability and for the best interests of the Craft.

Although prices on all kinds of commodities have continued to advance, and our increased membership necessitated the purchase of much larger quantities of both general supplies and provisions, we have not only kept within the amount of our appropriation, but have made several very necessary improvements to the grounds and buildings. We recommend that the same amount of appropriation given the Home last year be made for its maintenance the coming year.

Thirty-one (31) applications for admission have been received, and of these twenty-three (23) have been approved, seven (7) have been rejected, and one (1) is now pending. The Chairman of the Committee on Admissions has received and answered over four hundred letters in the past year, relating to the Home and applications, and had lodge officers informed themselves from our Book of Rules, a whole lot of this correspondence would have been unnecessary. We sent a copy of the rules to each District Deputy Grand Master for their information and reference.

We are pleased to report that the mortality rate for the past year has been lower than the preceding year, eight (8) deaths having occurred, and that the general health of our members has been good. Although our sick ward is occupied to its full capacity at all times, it is with those suffering principally from the infirmities incident to old age, and complaints with which they were afflicted at the time of their admission. Seventy (70) have been treated in the sick ward during the year, and twelve (12) are in the ward at this time, several of them chronic cases. Our corps of nurses has been very patient and unremitting in its care and attention of the sick, and the few deaths and general good health of our people are largely due to this attention. Dr. Davidson, of Sullivan, our Home physician, makes regularly weekly visits, and special trips when necessary. He understands the treatment of our old people, and we have always found him very efficient and skillful. We are greatly in need of an isolated sick ward,—a small building of three or more rooms would be amply sufficient, and such structure need not be an expensive one. Should any of our members now become afflicted with a contagious or infectious disease we would be at loss to know what to do with them with our present accommodations.

Our members appear to be perfectly contented and satisfied with the Home and their surroundings. Some little dissatisfactions crop out occasionally, and these we always investigate and adjust, and we find no

difficulty in restoring peace and harmony. Our Superintendent, Brother Hovey, is untiring in his attention to every detail looking to the comfort and attention of the members. He fully appreciates the difficulty old folks experience, when taken from their associates and life-time surroundings, in adjusting themselves to changed conditions and new faces. He smooths over the hard places for them so that they readily fraternize with their new friends and fall into place among our members as one of our large and happy family.

We desire to reiterate that the Home is not a hospital, and that hospital patients, and those who need the care and attention of a physician and attendant are not admitted. We have endeavored to make this clear to lodges and individuals writing to us for information, but it does not yet appear to be so understood. We know that the sick and helpless brother is most in need of the care and attention of the Craft, and entitled to its first consideration, but we have no accommodation for them at Sullivan, and will have none until a separate hospital building is erected and maintained, and is placed in charge of a corps of physicians and trained nurses.

For the benefit of a large number of lodges and Masons who have made inquiry, we desire to state that boarders are not taken at the Home, and neither are life memberships sold. If an applicant has sufficient means to buy a life membership, or pay board, or has friends or relatives able and willing to do this for him, he is not in need of our Home and is not eligible for admission. We have endeavored to confine the membership entirely to the indigent,—those who have absolutely no means, do not get pensions, and have no one able and willing to support them, and who come to the Home from necessity and not from choice.

We employ sixteen people, including the superintendent and his wife. We require this number because our members are mostly too old and feeble to be of any assistance, but require constant care and attention. A few of them do light chores, but the large majority are physically on the retired list. Were they not, they would not be at the Home.

Our entire sewer outlet has been extended and improved, and a sewage tank is now being added. The former outlet was inadequate for the growing needs of the Home, and was unsanitary. The sewage heretofore passed into a small open tile drain near the buildings, which became very offensive and a menace to health. It contaminated a creek into which it then emptied, and had become a source of complaint from our neighbors, with possible damage suits. The new outlet and sewage tank are sufficient in capacity for three times the present membership, and will be ample for some years to come.

The grounds fronting the buildings have been sown to blue grass. A large number of shade and ornamental trees and shrubbery have been

set out along the roads, walks, and about the grounds and buildings; a small orchard planted, and a vineyard started. We have laid the foundation for very beautiful and attractive grounds.

Our brethren who die at the Home, and whose remains are not taken away for burial, are laid to rest in our burial lot in the Sullivan cemetery, with the usual ceremonies of the Craft, Sullivan Lodge No. 764 officiating. The weather has never been so inclement as to keep this lodge from responding when we have requested a Masonic burial, and for its many fraternal courtesies we take this occasion to tender our sincere thanks to its officers and members. Markers have this year been placed at all the graves.

We are pleased to report that many Masons have visited the Home and our members during the year. We are glad to have them come, and wish more would do so. We want the Masons to know what the Home is doing—too few of them now know anything about it.

We desire to thank the lodges and members throughout the State who have so kindly remembered the Home during the past year with gifts of money for Christmas cheer for the old folks, and many valuable and useful articles for the Home. A complete list of these offerings appears in the report of our superintendent.

Fraternally submitted,

HENRY W. BERKS,
W. A. DIXON,
JAMES A. STEELE,
Executive Committee.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IN RELATION TO THE FARM,
SULLIVAN.

To the President, Board of Trustees, Illinois Masonic Home:

Your committee in charge of the farm at Sullivan begs leave to report as follows:

1. Instead of renting the farm for cash, as heretofore, the system has been changed to grain rental for the plowed land and \$225.00 cash for the pasture land. This change was made, primarily, for the benefit of the land, and has proven satisfactory to both tenant and committee. By this lease the tenant is required to raise more clover and small grain, and less corn and weeds, and in spite of the fact that more than seventy acres have been seeded to clover, the income for the year 1910 will be greater than for any preceding year.

2. Of the forty acres heretofore used as Home grounds, twenty acres were taken for farm land and is now under cultivation, and in its stead

the sixty-four-acre strip lying south of the public road, consisting of grass and timber land, has been reserved for the Home stock.

3. The sum of one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars was turned over to the Trustees for use on the farm, of which amount \$382.48 has been expended, voucher for which, together with check for the unexpended balance of \$617.52, accompany this report.

4. All contemplated improvements have not been made because we have not been able to obtain sufficient labor to do the work. Some old sheds have been taken down, other buildings repaired, a few acres of brush land cleared, wells attended to, and 202 rods of good new wire fence built. More work of the same kind is needed.

5. This farm has been for twenty years without attention,—everything has been taken off and nothing put on,—several years care and considerable expense will be necessary to put it in the condition a farm belonging to the Grand Lodge should present. Fraternaly submitted,

HENRY W. BERKS,
JAMES A. STEELE,
W. A. DIXON,
Executive Committee.

So much of the report as related to finances was referred to the Finance Committee. The balance of the report, on motion, was approved.

GREETINGS.

M.W. Bro. Leroy A. Goddard presented the greetings of Bro. Henry McCall; Brother Goddard suggested that the Grand Secretary send our love and good wishes and hope for his speedy recovery. It was so ordered.

REPORT—Committee on Jurisprudence.

M.W. Bro. Edward Cook, chairman, presented the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence. On motion it was adopted.

To the M.W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to which was referred certain matters treated of in the report of the M.W. Grand Master, begs leave to report on the subjects so referred as follows:

NON-AFFILIATES AND REGULATING DIMITS.

A majority of the Committee agrees with the M.W. Grand Master and commends what he has said in his report upon the subject of non-affiliates, and will at this session offer an amendment to the by-laws intended to cover his suggestions on that subject. This amendment will also cover the subject of regulating dimits.

BELKNAP LODGE.

Your Committee has carefully gone over the papers relating to discipline of the Worshipful Master of Belknap Lodge No. 822, and is of the opinion that the action of the M.W. Grand Master in deposing Bro. S. D. Peeler from the office of Worshipful Master of said lodge, and in suspending him from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, was fully justified by the facts in the case and in accordance with the law of our jurisdiction. We recommend that his action be approved.

In view of the fact that Brother Peeler has admitted his full knowledge of the physical disqualification of a candidate elected to and given the degrees in his lodge while he was its executive head, we are of the opinion that regard for Masonic law demands his still further punishment, and we therefore recommend that he be indefinitely suspended from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, until restored by this M.W. Grand Lodge.

We are also of the opinion that such a violation of law could not occur without the knowledge and consent of some of the members of the lodge in which it occurred. We believe that every member of a lodge has responsibilities not to be evaded nor shifted to the shoulders of the Master, and conclude that the lodge in this case is not without blame.

We recommend that this report be transmitted to Belknap Lodge No. 822, with a certificate of the action of this M.W. Grand Lodge thereon, together with an order from the M.W. Grand Master that they be read at the next stated communication after their receipt, and spread at large upon the records as a part of the minutes of that meeting.

KENTUCKY.

In December last our M.W. Grand Master received from the M.W. Grand Master of Kentucky a communication which is set forth in full in the address of our Grand Master. The communication related to the jurisdiction of a lodge to enforce Masonic discipline upon a member of a lodge of another state who resides in or is sojourning within the jurisdiction of the lodge wherein charges are preferred. The provision of

the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, touching this question as set forth in the communication above referred to, is in accordance with our understanding of the laws of this Grand Jurisdiction. Illinois lodges would have the right, under our laws, to prefer charges and administer punishment upon a member of a Kentucky lodge residing or sojourning within its jurisdiction, and we recognize the right of Kentucky lodges to deal with members of Illinois lodges residing or sojourning within the jurisdiction of such Kentucky lodges.

We find, therefore, that no changes in our existing laws are necessary to put us in complete accord with our brothers of Kentucky, with reference to the questions here presented.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

EDWARD COOK,
WM. B. WRIGHT,
A. H. BELL,
JOHN C. SMITH,
C. E. ALLEN,
Committee.

SPECIAL REPORT—Committee on Correspondence.

M.W. Bro. Owen Scott presented the following, a special report of the Committee on Correspondence. On motion it was adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois:

At the Grand Lodge one year ago a resolution was presented for the recognition of the National Grand Lodge of Egypt. It was then asked that the same be referred to this Committee. By some inadvertence the record shows that the resolution was adopted. It was, in fact, referred to this Committee as requested in the resolution and the Grand Master has so instructed.

This is not a new subject to this body. Even as far back as 1884 it was under consideration. At frequent intervals since then in some form or other the recognition of this so-called Masonic body has been before this Grand Lodge. In every case where a vote has been taken the decision has been adverse to the recognition of Egypt.

Your Committee after full consideration and after carefully reviewing the action taken by this Grand Lodge submits this report:

1. The pending resolution recites that "The M.W. Grand Lodge of Illinois has given qualified recognition to the M.W. Grand Lodge of Egypt of which M.W. Bro. Idris Bey Ragheb is Grand Master and M.W. Bro. John Corson Smith, of Illinois, is honorary Grand Master," etc.

It is true that this Grand Lodge adopted the special report of the Committee on Correspondence as shown on p. 14, appendix 1907.

The fact that this Egyptian body has seen fit to confer upon a most distinguished and worthy Mason an honorary title can in no way effect the legitimacy of origin or the independent sovereignty of the National Grand Lodge of Egypt. Both of these are essential to any form of recognition, qualified or otherwise. As shown by the reports of Brother Robbins this Egyptian body possesses neither of these fundamental qualifications. Its illegitimacy runs through the oft-repudiated Rite of Memphis and its subserviency is to another grand body. Hence, much as Illinois appreciates honor conferred upon one of its members, it cannot accept this as modifying or waiving any of the essentials for legitimacy, regularity and sovereignty in its relation with world Masonry. If the Sovereign Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows should see fit to make some member of this Grand Lodge an honorary grand sire, would that be a convincing argument for the official recognition by this Grand Lodge of the national body of Odd Fellows as Masonic? Most certainly not.

To protect the legitimate lodges of Illinois from intrusion by members of clandestine bodies this Grand Lodge has, from time to time, had prepared and printed a list of regular lodges throughout the world. This has been placed in the hands of every lodge in Illinois. It comes with the signature and by the authority of the Grand Master and the attest of the Grand Secretary. Being ordered by the Grand Lodge itself, it is of supreme authority to the lodges. This list was revised and published February 10, 1910. Being the latest action of this Grand Lodge, it is the authoritative guide for its constituents in determining regularity of Masons, seeking to visit or affiliate with lodges. All members of lodges not shown in this list are clandestine to Illinois Masons. In this roster of approved lodges no constituent of the National Grand Lodge of Egypt appears. Hence, until this Grand Lodge decides otherwise there is no authority for any interchange between Masons of Illinois and the lodges which are constituents of the National Grand Lodge of Egypt.

2. Shall this Grand Lodge now recognize the National Grand Lodge of Egypt? By reference to pages 175 to 184, proceedings of 1902, will be found the most thorough and exhaustive discussion of this question ever presented to this Grand Body. Here two giants, when in their prime, crossed swords over the recognition of Egypt. The Grand Lodge received their arguments, their documents and letters from distinguished authorities in England and elsewhere, printed them for the information

of the craft and postponed consideration for one year. In 1903, see proceedings page 110, after full discussion, this Grand Lodge adopted the special report of the Committee on Correspondence and denied recognition to the National Grand Lodge of Egypt. For report of committee, which was adopted, see page 19, appendix 1901.

The case was thus disposed of after a quarter of a century of study and consideration. There being no new conditions, no new arguments, the present effort to secure recognition for this Egyptian body is in effect a movement to reconsider and reverse the former action of this Grand Lodge. It is in no sense a new trial on newly discovered evidence. It is merely threshing over the old straw. Zeal for recognition cannot be accepted in lieu of justifying facts. No new matter or argument has been presented and the conclusive reasons for non-recognition, then presented, still exist.

Your Committee, therefore, recommends that the resolution for the recognition of the National Grand Lodge of Egypt be not adopted.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The M.W. Grand Master appointed the District Deputy Grand Masters as collecting tellers, and the following named brethren as counting tellers:

John C. Weis, M. Ozment, John Miehle, Jr., Henry W. Berks, J. E. Wooters.

The tellers having collected and counted the several ballots reported that the following named brethren had received the majority of votes cast, and they were declared duly elected:

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master.
Delmar D. Darrah, R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
Henry T. Burnap, R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
Ralph H. Wheeler, R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
Leroy A. Goddard, R.W. Grand Treasurer.
Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Secretary.

REPORT—Special Committee.

M.W. Bro. Edward Cook presented the report of the Special Committee in regard to a permanent home for the Grand Lodge.

On motion the report was adopted.

A HOME FOR THE GRAND LODGE.

To the M.W. Grand Lodge:

Under this heading the Grand Master in his address one year ago discussed at some length the question of this Grand Lodge in some form acquiring a permanent home for itself where its officers might have their offices and all of its records, books and property be assembled and there safely kept. What was said by the Grand Master touching this matter was by action of the Grand Lodge referred to a special committee to be thereafter appointed by the Grand Master. The present Grand Master was pleased to appoint the undersigned as such special committee. This committee, therefore, having this subject referred to it for consideration, respectfully reports that it has carefully considered all that was said by the Grand Master in his address touching this question one year ago. We are impressed with the importance of the question presented by him and that it is eminently desirable that this Grand Lodge acquire property of its own where it may have permanent home; where the Grand Lodge may assemble; where its officers may have permanent offices and where all of its property, books, records, papers and things of value may be assembled and safely kept. Your committee, however, is well aware that this cannot be accomplished without a very considerable expenditure of money and we are of opinion that it would not be wise for this Grand Lodge to undertake to carry such design into immediate execution. We are quite certain, however, that it is to the interest of this Grand Lodge to carry into effect at the earliest practicable day the recommendations of our former Grand Master on this matter.

Inasmuch as the financial obligations which this Grand Lodge has assumed and is now bearing with reference to the erection and maintenance of homes at Sullivan and at LaGrange are very considerable and until further time has passed, it cannot be known just what the permanent annual charge of their maintenance may be, we recommend that more definite action by this Grand Lodge on this matter be deferred for the present, but your committee expresses the hope that in the near future this question may be taken up by this Grand Lodge and a suitable permanent home for this Grand Lodge and its officers be provided in the city of Chicago.

EDWARD COOK,
JOHN C. SMITH,
ALEXANDER H. BELL,
C. E. ALLEN,
WM. B. WRIGHT,
Committee.

AMENDMENTS.

M.W. Bro. Alexander H. Bell offered the following amendments to Grand Lodge By-Laws. More than twenty representatives seconded both amendments, and they lie over for action until next year.

Amend Section 1, Article 25, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws, so as to read as follows:

Section 1. Every lodge under this jurisdiction shall on or before the first day of August, annually, pay into the treasury of the Grand Lodge, through the Grand Secretary, the sum of one dollar and fifteen cents for each Master Mason belonging to such lodge at the time of making the annual returns. Of the amount so collected, fifty-five cents shall be for the general fund, thirty-five for the charity fund, subject to such appropriation from time to time as the Grand Lodge may direct, and twenty-five cents to be held and employed for the purpose of providing a permanent home for this Grand Lodge in the city of Chicago, where its meetings may be held, its records safely kept, and its officers be provided with permanent offices.

Amend Section 1, Article 11, Part 1, Grand Lodge By-Laws, by adding thereto as a part thereof paragraph numbered seven, as follows:

7. For every Master Mason acting as a member of any chartered lodge in this state or who may be upon the roll of any lodge under dispensation, the sum of twenty-five cents annually shall be collected, and all of the moneys received by this Grand Lodge under this paragraph shall, by the Grand Treasurer, be made to bear the best rate of interest consistent with security, and the funds thus raised, together with the accumulating of interest thereon shall be kept separate from all other moneys of this Grand Lodge to be used by this Grand Lodge, whenever the same have become sufficient to justify this Grand Lodge in proceeding to acquire a permanent home in the city of Chicago for this Grand Lodge where its meetings may be held, rooms for its officers provided, and its property and records assembled and there safely kept.

The minutes of this session were then read and approved.

CALLED OFF.

At 1:30 p. m. the M.W. Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 9 o'clock Wednesday morning.

SECOND DAY.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, A. D. 1910, A. L. 5910. }
 9 O'CLOCK A. M. }

The M.W. Grand Master called the Grand Lodge from refreshment to labor at 9 o'clock.

Grand Officers and Representatives were present same as preceding day.

In the absence of the Grand Chaplain, prayer was offered by M.W. Bro. Owen Scott.

REPORT—Committee on Chartered Lodges.

M.W. Bro. Chas. F. Hitchcock, chairman of the Committee on Chartered Lodges, presented the report of that committee. On motion the report was adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M.:

Your Committee on Chartered Lodges having carefully examined the returns of the constituent lodges for the year ending June 30, 1910, submit the following summary of the tabulated statement:

INCREASE.

Number raised	7,957
Number reinstated	396
Number admitted	1,129
Number added for error	83
Total increase	9,565

DECREASE.

Number suspended	737
Number expelled	23
Number dimitted	1,724
Number died	1,315
Number deducted for error	63
Total decrease	3,862

Net gain in membership	5,703
Total membership June 30, 1910	101,692
Number of chartered lodges	777
Members residing in Illinois	91,129
Non-resident members	10,418
Number initiated	8,534
Number passed	8,092
Received from dues year ending Jan. 30, 1910.....	\$91,485 90
Contributed to members, their widows and orphans.....	39,607 98
Contributed to those not members	8,880 12
Contributed to Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home.....	650 50
Total contributed to charity	\$49,138 60

Your committee desire to commend the Grand Secretary for the manner in which the returns of the various lodges have been tabulated by him and the work systematized, and also upon the further fact that there are no delinquent lodges.

We also commend the work of the secretaries of the various lodges upon the manner in which their reports have been made, as there is a marked improvement in this respect. However, we suggest that the secretaries of the various lodges be urged to be *still more* careful and accurate in preparing their reports, so that no errors may creep into the records.

Fraternally submitted,

C. F. HITCHCOCK,	PHIL. C. BARCLAY,
S. M. SCHOEMANN,	ELMER E. BEACH,
C. M. TURNER,	<i>Committee.</i>

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT—Committee on Chartered Lodges.

M.W. Bro. Chas. F. Hitchcock also presented a supplemental report of the Committee on Chartered Lodges. On motion it was adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M., of Illinois:

Your Committee on Chartered Lodges fraternally report as follows:

That portion of the Grand Master's address for 1910 concerning the constituting of the several lodges is hereby approved.

Fraternally submitted,

C. F. HITCHCOCK,	ELMER E. BEACH,
PHIL. C. BARCLAY,	S. M. SCHOEMANN,
C. M. TURNER,	<i>Committee.</i>

RESOLUTION—Regarding Loose Leaf Ledgers.

R.W. Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, by request, presented a resolution in regard to loose leaf ledgers as a subsidiary book in connection with the bound record. Adopted.

WHEREAS, There have been some questions raised as to the advisability of using the loose leaf ledger as a subsidiary book in conjunction with the bound record, or minute book, for the convenience of the secretary in keeping his financial and book accounts in a more concise form; and,

WHEREAS, The advancement made in the loose leaf field has been so rapid as to warrant its recommendation and use by other fraternal societies, as well as large business institutions; be it

Resolved, That a committee, of which one member shall be the Grand Secretary, be appointed by the Most Worshipful Grand Master to investigate this subject for the purpose of ascertaining whether it would be beneficial to the craft at large, or to any recording officer of any lodge, to adopt and use this kind of a system, if they or he see fit to do so, and to report their findings and recommendations to the Grand Lodge for action at this or the next annual meeting.

SPECIAL REPORT—Committee on Correspondence.

M.W. Bro. Owen Scott, chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, presented a special report of that committee, on the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico. A motion was made that this report be printed in the Proceedings. Carried.

Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

Had this Grand Lodge at its last session recognized the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico there would now be a serious complication. Official notice is at hand that in consequence of dissatisfaction over the election of the "Gran Maestro" (grand master) eight of the thirty-two lodges composing that body have seceded. They have set up a new grand lodge of their own and call it also "Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico." Hence, there are two bodies bearing the same name and assuming supreme control over the same territory, viz.: the federal district of the Republic of Mexico. The seceders took with them the Grand Secretary and all the records, papers, archives, seal and other equipment of the grand body originally known as Valle de Mexico. The official notice received says: "It is quite probable that other lodges of Mexican mem-

bership and working the Scottish ritual will secede from the regular grand lodge Valle de Mexico." The notice further states that "the irregular body has requested the recognition and support of the Supreme Council 33°, A. and A.S.R., and at the meeting July 5 that body took steps to grant the request."

From this it will be seen that the body heretofore bearing the name Valle de Mexico was of a mongrel constituency where Ancient Craft Masonry had little consideration or influence. The territory embraced in the jurisdiction over which these rival factions are fighting is the federal district, an oval shaped valley about 30x45 miles, between a wall of mountains. A half-dozen other irregular and clandestine grand bodies exist in the republic of Mexico. One of these, known as "The Grand Lodge Unida Mexicano de Vera Cruz," has recognized the seceders as regular. This body claims jurisdiction over the entire republic of Mexico. The foregoing facts indicate the good fortune of this Grand Lodge in avoiding entangling alliances with such questionable bodies as are shown to exist in the Mexican republic. In order that the Grand Lodge of Illinois might be informed of the situation this report is made. No action is required. Fraternaly submitted,

OWEN SCOTT, *Committee.*

AMENDMENT TO BY-LAWS—Adopted.

M.W. Bro. Alexander H. Bell called up the amendment to Section 1, Art. 13, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws, proposed last year, and moved its adoption.

The section as amended reads as follows:

Section 1. All petitions for the degrees or for membership shall be made in writing and signed by the applicant, with his full name and shall state the date and place of his birth; his occupation specifically; the name of his employer, if he have any; and if the occupation shall be stated as clerk, salesman, manager, solicitor, adjuster, or any other indefinite term, it shall then state the particular kind of business or employment in which he is such clerk, salesman, manager, solicitor, adjuster, etc. It shall state his place of residence, and, where the petitioner resides. In a city having streets that are named and houses that are numbered, he shall state in his petition the name of his street and the number of his house. And in case of a petitioner for the degrees, whether he had previously made application to be made a Mason to any lodge, and shall be accompanied by the fee which the by-laws of the lodge require with the petition. In cases where the petitioner has be-

fore petitioned to be made a Mason, he shall state the name, number, location and jurisdiction of the lodge previously petitioned, and the date as near as may be of such former petition. Every petition shall be recommended in writing by three members of the lodge and be read at a stated meeting and entered in substance upon the records. After it has been read it shall be received by the voice of the lodge either tacitly or formally given; or at its pleasure, the lodge may refuse to receive it.

The amendment was adopted.

M.W. Bro. Alexander H. Bell also called up the amendment to Section 2, Art. 11, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws, proposed last year, and moved its adoption.

The section as amended reads as follows:

Section 2. The personal jurisdiction of a lodge shall extend over all its members (except its Master, or the Grand Master if a member thereof) wherever they may reside; and over its unfinished work and rejected material, wherever they may be dispersed. Provided, however, that when a petition to be made a Mason has been rejected by any lodge in this state and such rejected petitioner afterwards removes to another state and petitions a lodge in such other state to be made a Mason, the lodge rejecting his petition in this state or this Grand Lodge shall have no claim to jurisdiction over such rejected material from and after five years from the date of such rejection.

The amendment was also adopted.

AMENDMENT TO BY-LAWS—Lost.

Bro. H. F. Smith, of Cass Lodge No. 23, called up the amendment to Art. 12, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws, proposed last year, and moved its adoption.

The section as amended reads as follows:

Section 11. No person shall be eligible to membership in the Masonic fraternity who is engaged in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. And any Mason who engages in such business after the adoption of this rule shall be charged with unmasonic conduct, in any lodge having jurisdiction, and shall be expelled from Masonry; provided, however, that any Mason who is engaged in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors prior to the adoption of this section shall

not be affected by it, nor shall his standing be impaired in the fraternity in consequence of such business.

The amendment was lost.

REPORT—Committee on Appeals and Grievances.

M.W. Bro. Monroe C. Crawford, chairman of the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, submitted the report of that Committee.

It was adopted.

M.W. Grand Lodge A.F. and A.M.:

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances fraternally submits the following report:

No. 1.

AUBURN PARK LODGE No. 789
vs.

Action of the lodge sustained.

No. 2.

CARNATION LODGE No. 900
vs.

Action of the lodge in declaring defendant guilty, sustained. Action of the lodge in fixing punishment of defendant at indefinite suspension set aside, and defendant declared expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

No. 3.

MILTON LODGE No. 275
vs.

Action of the lodge in declaring defendant guilty, sustained. Action of the lodge in fixing punishment of defendant at "Reprimand" set aside, and defendant declared expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

No. 4.

MT. ERIE LODGE No. 331

vs.

Action of the lodge set aside and defendant declared not guilty, and restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

No. 5.

MT. ERIE LODGE No. 331

vs.

Action of the lodge set aside and defendant declared not guilty, and restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

No. 6.

MT. ERIE LODGE No. 331

vs.

Action of the lodge set aside and defendant declared not guilty, and restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

No. 7.

KENWOOD LODGE No. 800

vs.

Action of the lodge in declaring defendant guilty sustained. Action of the lodge in fixing the punishment of defendant at indefinite suspension be set aside, and defendant declared expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

No. 8.

BLUE MOUND LODGE No. 682

vs.

Action of the lodge sustained.

No. 9.

vs.

COLLINSVILLE LODGE No. 712

Action of the lodge sustained.

No. 10.

v's.

Action of Grand Master in sustaining the commission appointed be sustained, and the defendant expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

MONROE C. CRAWFORD,
JOSEPH E. DYAS,
G. R. SMITH,
H. H. MONTGOMERY,
H. A. SNELL,
Committee.

ORATION.

R.W. Bro. Frank G. Smith, Grand Orator, delivered the Oration.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren of the Craft:

I want to assure you with my very first word today that I have a deep and abiding sense of the importance of this occasion and a corresponding consciousness of the inadequacy of any effort I may here put forth as compared with the hunger of my heart to bring to you the message which this hour so deeply deserves and richly merits. Many men have spoken upon the subject of Masonry and yet it is a theme that is perennially fresh. It is a mine that is never worked out, but yields gold and jewels with each new excursion into its hidden depths; yea, it is a spring that never runs dry. I could wish therefore that some of my brethren who are in this assembly, who have spent long years in Masonic work and Masonic research, might occupy the time that has been assigned to me that they might bring to us a message more instructive and perhaps more inspiring. Time is precious, however, and must not be spent in wishes or apology, however sincere they may be. I can only do my best and that is all any of us can do, any time.

It has been my pleasure to hold the office of Grand Orator in the Grand Lodge of Illinois now for the past year. No one, I think, in all the State could possibly have been more surprised than I when I received this appointment. I have always had a great desire to go through the chairs and do the work of the lodge, but my work is of such a nature that my evenings are most always engaged, making regularity of attendance impossible, thus depriving me of what I would esteem a

great privilege and pleasure. Because of this I did not feel that I merited the honor of a Grand Lodge office. But while it has been impossible for me to do this work to which I have referred, my brethren, I have been most careful and zealous about other things that deeply concern us; I have been most careful to do my best to incarnate and exemplify the great truths for which our order stands and to exalt them before the world on every possible occasion.

The position of Grand Orator is not an exceedingly difficult one to fill. It does not require that one shall have a commanding presence, a brilliant and easy flow of language, a rich and powerful voice or a magnetic personality. As I have studied the office and tried to fill it to the best of my ability I have found that it makes only about two fundamental requirements; first, that one should think pure, noble, exalted, helpful thoughts, and, second, that he should be ready to convey them to his brethren in the simplest language possible when the occasion requires. This has been my only ambition during the work of this year and is still my highest ideal today.

This age in which we live is an intensely practical age. It is an age in which everything is being measured and weighed by the standard of practical value. It is an age when everything and everybody is asked to make good. Even the very latest school of philosophy takes on this color of the practical by assuming and asserting that the thing that works is true. That it is valuable, and that the thing that does not work is not true and therefore valueless. If an institution renders a valuable service to humanity, one that is readily recognized, it is founded on truth and right principles and should be maintained and perpetuated; if not it is false and useless and should be allowed to perish from the face of the earth. Education and the various institutions through which it finds expression, religion and the various forms, ceremonies, creeds, rituals and symbolisms by which it is made manifest, are all being submitted to this practical test. Our institution, even though so large a part of its work is secret, cannot escape this same test. Let us make earnest inquiry, then, today into the origin, nature and practical value of this institution we love and represent.

The last two of these questions, the nature and practical value of Masonry, will be comparatively easy to answer. Not so as to the first one, namely, its origin. For when we seek for the origin of this great institution that has belted the earth with its power and influence, history carries us far back into the past, and where history leaves off tradition takes us up and carries us farther and still farther until mystery and obscurity covers us like a garment; after all, perhaps the profoundest secret of our great secret order is the secret of its origin. But in all this history and tradition there is one thing that stands out very promi-

nently and pre-eminently and this, after all, is the important thing, namely, that the germinal principle of Masonry in all its history is the building instinct; Masonry had its origin no doubt among builders, craftsmen, skilled artisans, master builders, men with great dreams, high ideals and rare skill in the realm of material construction. For centuries and centuries it remained an operative craft; and the world is strewn with monuments, magnificent temples, tombs, palaces and the decaying ruins of vast achievements in the material realm, all representing the work, the finished product of Masonry while it remained an operative craft.

Now it is well that we should pause here to fix firmly in our minds the vital relationship between the Masonry of that day and the Masonry of our day. In order that we may best do this let us study for a moment the necessary steps in the construction of a temple. First of all there must be a plan. It must be dreamed out by some one. It must live in the mind of some one. It must be actually builded in all its minutest details in the mind of man. All material construction is but the realization of mental dreams. The splendid pieces of statuary that have thrilled the hearts of men for ages are only the beautiful dreams of great souls frozen into marble. The great pictures that have hung in the world's galleries for centuries and stirred the souls of men have been possible only because hand and eye became sufficiently skilled by long and patient practice to realize in color and form the beautiful dream that hung upon the walls of some man's inner life. Indeed, the greatest artist is he who has the most beautiful dream and possesses the rarest skill in its material realization. The same is true of things that do not belong to the realm of art. Temples, palaces, bridges, arches, all things that eye beholds that have been constructed by the hands of man lived in the mind of man before being realized in material form. Indeed, it has been said by one that man himself was thought before he was a thinker. Now the second step in the process of material construction is the revelation of this dream in a plan of construction so that those who are to perform the actual toil of construction shall be able to see the vision and catch the ideals of the dreamer, the architect. In other words, the plans of the architect constitute the second step in the process of material construction. Then these plans must go to the builders, presided over and guided by a master builder, and then follows the selection and rejection and gathering of materials, and finally days of toil in hewing and polishing and fitting and joining in an endeavor to realize in that which man's eyes may behold and his hands may handle the exact dream of the architect. And the finished product, the completed work, will reveal the dream of the architect just in proportion to the skill of the builders and their fidelity to his plans. It is said that John Augustus Roebling, the pioneer in suspension bridge building in America, after he had achieved a number of minor successes, undertook at last the construction of the

great Brooklyn Bridge, at that time the wonder of the world in civil engineering. An accident, however, ended his life in the early stages of this great undertaking. The work was assumed and undertaken by his son who was an invalid for a part of the time and confined mostly to his room. But it is said that when the great structure was finished and they carried him out to behold it, a work begun by his father in 1867 and completed under his guidance in 1883, that when he beheld it he burst into tears of joy and cried out in ecstasy and enthusiasm, "It looks just like I thought it would." And what did this mean? It meant that all who had wrought there were skilled and competent artisans; yes, but it meant more than that. It meant that every man who had wrought there through all those years had been absolutely faithful and loyal to the dreams and the plans of the architect. Standing over against this is a little incident that came under my own observation. Once in a city where I lived I had a friend who was building a fine structure; one day as I passed by I noted that work upon it had ceased. I sought out my friend and inquired the cause. He said, "Mr. Smith, it is a sad story; a story of the infidelity and cupidity of man." Then he told me how the building had begun to settle and crack before it was completed and upon examination they found that the builders had been untrue to the architect's plan; under certain great pillars where twelve courses of stone were called for only three or four had been used and so on throughout the entire structure. There it stood even before its completion, a ruin by the infidelity of the builder to the architect's plans. There are two great essentials, two mighty fundamentals in the material realization of dreams; they are ability and fidelity; skill and loyalty; knowledge and truth. If we would realize a dream we must not only know how to accomplish its realization but we must be honest and faithful and true to our knowledge. This was one of the great lessons taught by operative Masonry; absolute fidelity to our tasks and our toil, however humble our station may be in the world's great program. What a splendid lesson it is to learn; if by some word of magic we could teach every human soul this lesson today, how far the world would move forward in the solution of some of her most perplexing problems. There is no greater lesson the world could possibly learn than that of absolute fidelity to the best we know in the toil and the tasks of life. It was this thought that was in the mind of him who has so beautifully revealed his thought in those striking lines,

"Let me but do my work from day to day,
In field or forest, at the desk or loom,
In roaring market place or tranquil room;
Let me but find it in my heart to say,
When vagrant wishes beckon me astray,
This is my work, my blessing, not my doom;

Of all who live, I am the one, by which
 This work can best be done in the right way;
 Then shall I see it not too great nor small a task
 To suit my spirit and to prove my powers;
 Then shall I cheerful greet the laboring hours,
 And cheerful turn when the long shadows come,
 To play and love and rest,
 Because I know for me my work is best."

But, my brethren, splendid as were the achievements of operative Masonry, I need not remind you today that we have passed from operative Masonry to Reorganized Masonry. But the silver cord has not been broken; the great elemental principle of our order is the same; the vital, fundamental, abiding characteristic of Masonry was and is and ever will be the Building Instinct. Then it was to build temples of brick and stone and marble; now it is to build temples of human life and character; then it was to bring to realization dreams and plans and ideals that stamped our brethren as Master Builders among our fellow craftsmen; now it is to be Master Builders of character; now it is to take the ideals, the plans which the Supreme Ruler of the Universe has for a human life and work them out into such matchless temples of almost Divine Life as shall command the admiration and respect and love of our brother man and our Father God even as these ancient temples commanded the admiration of the fellow craftsmen of our Ancient Brethren. As already indicated there is a sense in which our task is very similar to theirs. There is an exceeding close relationship. She spoke wisely indeed who said,

"Souls are built as temples are;
 Sunken deep, unseen, unknown,
 Lie the sure foundation stones.
 Then the courses framed to bear,
 Lift the cloistered pillars fair,
 Last of all the airy spire,
 Soaring heavenward higher and higher.

"Souls are built as temples are,
 Here a carving rich and quaint,
 There the image of a saint;
 Here a deep hued pane to tell,
 Sacred touch or miracle,
 Every careful, careless touch,
 Adds to the little, mars the much.

“Souls are built as temples are,
Inch by inch in gradual rise,
Mount the layered masonries;
Warring questions have their day,
Kings arise and pass away,
Still the temple is undone,
Still completion seems afar.

“Souls are built as temples are,
Based on truth’s eternal law;
Sure and steadfast, without flaw,
Through the sunshine, through the snows,
Up and on the temple goes,
Every fair thing finds a place,
Every hard thing lends a grace,
Every hand can make or mar,
For souls are built as temples are.”

According to law; according to plan; according to design that has been eternally in the mind of the great Master Architect of the Universe and is revealed to man through countless influences and agencies that culminate in a light that shines in the deep hidden chambers of his own inner life; in a still small voice that calls to the best there is in his soul; in a constant power that tugs at his heart and seeks to woo him onward and upward and outward and to walk in that best light that shines, and to listen to that truest voice that calls, and to respond to that tenderest power that tugs is to follow the Architect’s plans until some day our temple shall stand resplendent, beautiful, glorious; but to refuse to so walk and listen and respond means to bring down our possible temple a hopeless and everlasting ruin about our heads even while we have supposed it to be in process of completion.

Let us draw a little nearer and take a still closer view of the relation between Ancient and Modern Masonry and of the larger significance and importance of the Masonry of our times. For just as a man is greater than the house in which he dwells, and as every human soul is vastly larger and more important than this little mud house, this little tenement of clay in which it dwells for a few years, so our task is vastly more important than that of our Ancient Brethren. I am sure I speak a truth today that needs no emphasis when I say that there is no problem, no question, so baffling, so mysterious and yet so thrilling in its interest to all humanity as the great Life Problem. One of our Ancient Brethren has truly said, “All that a man hath will he give in exchange for his life.” And the greatest Teacher and Moulder of thought and character the world has ever seen once said, “What shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul; or what shall a man give in exchange

for his soul?" His inner life; his conscious personality; his spiritual being around which his physical being gathers and from which it receives its vitality, its beauty, and its glory. How true these sayings are; how perfectly they square with human life and experience. Once I saw a little fair-haired, sweet-faced girl in a home; the roses were in her cheeks, and the starlight was in her eyes, and the glint of the sunshine was in her hair. She was an only child; one day the roses began to fade in her cheeks, and the physician said an awful relentless disease had taken hold of her; then those parents converted all their earthly goods into money and started out, and with their hands linked together and their hearts intertwined they poured out their strength and their time and their money all of it as freely as water that they might bring the roses once more to the cheeks from which they had faded; that they might be assured that their child had a new lease on life. So overmastering is the great life problem when compared with any and all other problems. It stands preëminent and alone. And if I seek for the solution of the great life problem, if I ask what is it and whence does it come and whither is it going, I may travel afar and find no satisfactory answer to my question. Science with all its vast achievements shakes its head in silence and honestly admits that it has no adequate answer to the question. Literature gleams and glistens and glitters with many golden thoughts and jeweled teachings about and interpretations of life but has no satisfactory answer anywhere to the one all-important question, its mystery. But I come today in solemn silence with bowed heart to the door of Masonry and I knock and being assured of the sincerity of my quest I am conducted to the altar and there kneel in reverence before the great Light in Masonry and opening its sacred pages I read the precious answer to my heart's hungry question, the only satisfactory answer the world has ever been given. There I learn that life is the gift of God; that back of the flowers and the stars and the suns and all manifested reality about us; back of our own lives and in them all, bearing it all up and guiding it all, there is a Great, Supreme, Spiritual Personality, Our Father God, whose law is truth and whose motive is love and whose essence is goodness and whose atmosphere is peace and good will to men; it is he who gave us life; it is he that hath begotten us and not we ourselves; ah, yes, he spoke a far truer word perhaps than he knew who said,

"Fair are the flowers and the children,
But their subtle suggestion is fairer;
Rare is the rose-burst of morn,
But the secret that clasps it is rarer;
Sweet is the exultance of song,
But the strain that precedes it is sweeter,
Never a poem yet writ,
But the meaning exceeded the metre.

“Never a daisy that grows,
But a mystery guideth its growing;
Never a river that flows,
But a majesty sceptres its flowing.
Never a Shakespeare that soared,
But a greater than he did enfold him,
Never a prophet foretells,
But a mightier seer hath foretold him.

“Back of the canvass that throbs,
The painter is hinted and hidden,
Into the statue that breathes,
The soul of the sculptor is bidden.
Back of the sound broods the silence,
Back of the gift is the giving,
Back of the hand that receives,
Thrills the sensitive nerves of receiving.

“Great are the symbols of being,
But that which is symbolled is greater;
Vast the created and beheld,
But vaster the inward creator;
Under the joy that is felt,
Lies the Infinite issues of feeling,
Crowning the glory revealed,
Is the glory that crowns the revealer.

“Space is as nothing to spirit,
The deed is outdone by the doer,
Warm is the heart of the wooing,
But warmer the heart of the wooer;
And up from the pits where these shiver,
And down from the heights where those shine,
Twin shadows and voices swim starward,
And the essence of life is Divine.”

Aye, verily, we are all sparks from the Eternal Flame; all thoughts from the Infinite Mind; all throbs from the Eternal Heart.

If this be true then, my brethren, and I am sure you all know that it is true, that it is the great truth that lies at the very heart of Masonry; I say if this be true, if we have a great Spiritual Father who hath begotten us, then we find the second and only other great fundamental of Masonry, namely, that he has a way that he wants us to go and that to find that way and walk in it is the chief end of every true and accepted Mason

From the time we enter the door of the Lodge Room, there isn't a teaching, there isn't a symbol or a sign or a robe or a vestment, that does not find its place in the one great program of teaching man the one mighty fact of life that he has a Spiritual Father God who has a way he wants him to live and to find that way and walk in it is the chief end of man and the only worthy object to which he may set his endeavors and toward which he may direct his efforts and ambitions. One who has tried among many others to interpret to us that way, to teach us in a few words what the great way is, has likened man's life to the figure given us in Revelation of the Holy City. It lieth foursquare; the length of it and the breadth of it and the height of it are equal. So this great heart hath taught us that man's life hath three dimensions and they too must be equal. The length of life is its onreach toward some noble goal in temporal achievement; the power of life to project itself forward in the world's affairs and achieve. The breadth of life is its outreach toward its fellowmen in deeds of sympathy and charity and love and helpfulness and the height of life is its upreach toward God in faith and trust and daily fellowship and communion looking to him alone for guidance and depending upon him alone for grace and strength. And when these three dimensions are equal, its onreach and its outreach and its upreach, then the life is well rounded, symmetrical, approaching the Divine, building according to the plans of the great Supreme Architect of the Universe; but to neglect any one of these, to make any one of them less than the others, means to mar life, to throw it out of balance, to destroy the temple and ultimately to bring it down in ruins.

Many and various are the sources and the agencies by which the Father seeks to reveal unto us that way; that well rounded life; there is the great light in Masonry, the Bible, finding its culmination in the life and deeds of that matchless teacher of men, the Man of Galilee, the Lion of the Tribe of Judah. There is the great open book of nature about us with its pages close written with the manifestations of Infinite Love and Wisdom and Power; with its eternal and irrevocable laws stamped upon every page so that he who runs may read. There is that voice that abidingly whispers to the great fathomless deep of man's inner life and that light that eternally shines upon an upward pathway. But can all these voices and influences and teachings and revelations be summed up in one great law that a Mason can bind upon his heart as a guiding principle, a beacon light that shall daily link his heart up closer to the heart of his Father God; that shall daily bring his feet more certainly into the way He would have him to go and that at last shall lead him into the Eternal Presence and likeness of the Father in that vast Spiritual Realm that lies now beyond the quiet veil of mystery men call death; is there, I say, such a law, such a guiding principle? I think there is; I want to give it to you today for my closing word.

In all the realm of material achievement, the things to which you set your hand and your brain, never do less than the best you can; and in all the realm of moral and spiritual achievement, the problems of right and wrong that present themselves to you, never do less than the best you know. Living by this great rule, following this beacon light, walking in the glow of this guiding principle, we shall so incarnate the spirit of the teachings of our historic and noble order, that we shall vitalize all its forms and symbols with an unconquerable power and realize all its ideals and ambitions in a manner never before known in the history of this Ancient and Honorable Institution. I plead then today at this meeting of the Grand Lodge of our splendid State, I plead with all true Masons everywhere for such an incarnation of the realities and vitalities of our order as shall send us forth, living apostles, read and known of all men. I plead today for such an abiding, vital faith in God and in the revelation of his way for us, and for such a faithful and perfect walk in that way, as shall enable us to view the whole program of life with the calm serenity and trust of him whose heart broke forth into song in these words,

“Let me but live my life from year to year,
With forward face and unreluctant soul;
Not hastening to nor turning from the goal;
Not longing for the things that disappear,
In the dim and shadowy past,
Nor holding back in fear from what the future holds.
But with a whole and happy heart,
That pays its tole to youth and age,
And travels on with cheer;
So let the way wind up the hill or down,
Though rough or smooth, the journey will be joy,
Still seeking what I sought when but a boy,
New friendship, high adventure and a crown.
I shall grow old but never lose life's zest,
Because for me the road's last turn will be the best.”

My Brethren, if we interpret our lives by that splendid ideal, an ideal that is justified by the tenets and teachings, the history and experience of our splendid order, we shall breathe forth an atmosphere that will honor God and serve and glorify man. Then will we be not only an honor to our order and a benediction and blessing to our homes, but we will be likewise a benediction and blessing to our country, helping to bear up without a stain her beautiful flag through all the days of our age and generation, thus bequeathing to the generations yet unborn a priceless heritage that moth and rust doth not corrupt and that thieves cannot break through and steal; a heritage that shall enable each new generation

down the ages with ever increasing fervor to join their hearts and voices in that patriotic prayer that was breathed by him who set the throbs of his heart to the music of verse when he cried in a moment of exaltation and inspiration,

“Our Father’s God from out whose hands,
The centuries fall like grains of sand,
We meet today united free,
And loyal to our land and thee,
To thank thee for the era gone,
And trust thee for the coming one.

“O keep thou us through centuries long,
In peace secure in justice strong,
Around our gift of freedom draw,
The safeguard of thy righteous law,
And cast in some Diviner mould,
Let each new era shame the old.”

To this end, my brethren, let us be faithful; to these high ideals of Individual life, of Home life, of Fraternal life, finding their only full and perfect expression in Divine life, let us be constant and true; then some day out of the blue and stillness of otherwhere we shall hear a voice and the great Architect of the Universe, the Great Father of Mankind, the Great Grand Master of the final and Ultimate Grand Lodge will be pleased to receive us and own us as true and worthy Masons.

M.W. Bro. Owen Scott moved that the deepest gratitude of this Grand Lodge be expressed to the Grand Orator for his able, eloquent, and profound Masonic oration, and that he be requested to furnish a copy of the same to be printed in the Proceedings. Carried.

AMENDMENT—Adopted.

M.W. Bro. Geo. M. Moulton called up the amendment to Section 4, Article 3, Part 1, Grand Lodge By-Laws, proposed last year.

The section as amended reads as follows:

Section 4. The salary of the Grand Master shall be twenty-five hundred dollars per annum, payable in monthly installments, which sum shall be in full financial compensation for the performance of the duties

of his office, including stenographer and clerk hire; provided, that for such sums as he may expend for postage and stationery and incidental expenses, the Grand Lodge may make appropriations upon presentation of itemized bills approved by the Committee on Finance.

The amendment was adopted.

AMENDMENT—Adopted.

R.W. Bro. John C. Weis called up the amendment to Sec. 1, Art. 17, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws, proposed last year, and moved its adoption.

The section as amended reads as follows:

Section 1. No lodge under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge shall be permitted to confer the three degrees upon any person for a less sum than twenty-five dollars. Provided, that in cities containing a population of fifty thousand or more inhabitants the minimum fee for the three degrees shall be fifty dollars, and the apportionment of such sum to the degrees, respectively, shall be regulated by the by-laws of each lodge.

The amendment was adopted.

INTRODUCTIONS.

The following brethren were introduced and accorded Grand Honors:

Bro. Frank L. Wolverton, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Illinois near the Grand Lodge of Arkansas.

Bro. Isaac H. Todd, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Vermont, near the Grand Lodge of Illinois.

Bro. Archibald Birse, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, near the Grand Lodge of Illinois.

Bro. Joseph D. Everett, Representative of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, near the Grand Lodge of Illinois.

Bro. W. D. Fullerton, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Washington, near the Grand Lodge of Illinois.

REPORT—Committee on Obituaries.

BRO. C. W. HARRIS, chairman of the Committee on Obituaries, presented the report of this committee. It was adopted by a rising vote.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M., of the State of Illinois:

In words simple and sincere we desire to remember our loved and honored dead. As we meet in this, another of our annual communications, happiness and good cheer smile upon us. We rejoice because of this reunion of kindred spirits, of mutual friends, of affectionate brethren whose long service together in our beloved fraternity only tend to intensify the sweet joy and pleasure. But in the midst of this fond association, this glad hand shaking, this planning for the future welfare and honor of Masonry, let us pause for a while at the tomb of our brethren, who have passed from earth to the Celestial Lodge in the Great Beyond, that we may reverence their memories, express our tender love for them and sympathize with the widow and the fatherless whose hearts are broken.

In all ages and in all countries it has been the universal custom to honor their dead; to lay aside for awhile the cares and the conflicts, the pleasures and pastimes, the duties and demands, of life, to pay tribute to the virtues and triumphs of the departed ones, and in kind and loving language to render to their memory the homage and affection of true and undying friendship. King Solomon has said: "To every thing there is a season and a time to every purpose. A time to weep and a time to laugh; a time to mourn and a time to dance." This is the sacred time of mourning; the moment when sorrow should reign supreme, for death has taken from us during the past year many of our best beloved Masons. Some of them were with us one year ago to lend counsel and inspiration. We miss them and mourn for them.

In the light of Masonic teaching we cannot refrain from the belief that from the great mystic Beyond these sainted brethren are smiling benedictions upon us at this blessed hour. We mourn for them, yes; but we mourn for them as Masons, and not as those who look with despair into the eternal future. We wish that we might communicate with them from their present abode,

"That it were possible
For one short hour to see
The souls we loved, that they might tell us
What and where they be."

But the Great Master of the Universe has willed otherwise, and it is not ours to question His divine plans. Not until we have passed the dark portals of death will we be permitted to communicate with them. But our implicit trust in the Everlasting Father causes us to look forward with confidence to a great reunion with these sainted brethren, in comparison with which these glad reunions of earth, bright and pleasant though they be, will pale into insignificance.

To our feeble and finite minds death is wrapped in deepest mystery. The grave is a sealed book, impossible for man to read its mysteries. But nature itself has implanted within man's very being the undying conviction that the soul is immortal. Religion with the strong eye of faith looks beyond the gloom of the grave and teaches the doctrine of life eternal after death. The Holy Bible, that book of books, loved and revered by every true Mason, is ever luminous in its teachings that the soul is immortal. But as to absolute knowledge of the existence after death we have none, for no messenger has ever returned from the shoreless sea of eternity, and the grave has never revealed its secret. Therefore, in the presence of death, the proudest intellect bows in reverential awe, and the humblest child of earth stands with quivering lips and aching heart. With knitted brow we strive in vain to catch but a glimpse of the heavenly vision, but the Loving Father says in tender tones: "Not yet, my child. Trust in God and all will be well." It is ours, therefore, to put our hands trustfully in His and let Him lead us gently home.

We look with sadness upon the lifeless body of one of nature's noblemen. Our hearts are thrilled as we think of the many deeds of chivalry, of charity and self-sacrifice wrought by him. Wonderful was his intellect, tender and loving his heart. Myriads of men arose to call him blessed. His very smile was a blessing, a benediction, an inspiration. The cordial hand shake, coupled with a word of encouragement and exhortation, was the turning point in the life of many a wayward brother, leading him from darkness into light, from despair to success and glory; lifting the fallen brother from the miry clay and placing his feet upon the firm solid rock. But now alas! the big noble heart is still, the useful hands, formerly so active and busy in scattering seeds of kindness, are folded forever upon the manly breast; the wonderful brain has ceased to perform its functions, and the brave soldier has fought his last battle. The warrior's form is there, but where is his animating soul? The dim lights of man's highest philosophy disclose its immortality. The teachings of nature point to the same truth. The divine revelation proclaims the joyous thought that if a man die he shall live again. And what a life it will be! Mortal tongue cannot begin to express its infinite joys and glories. The soul of the warrior "On

joyful wing, cleaving the sky," rises from scenes of sorrow, from the gloom of the grave, to the realms of eternal life and soars to

"That faraway home of the soul,
Where no storms ever beat on that glittering strand,
While the years of eternity roll."

We stand on the shore of time, eagerly struggling for some glimpse of our brethren in the unknown land. 'Tis vain! We can only see the manly form, silent in death, the coffin and the funeral procession. We can only hear the doleful strains of the funeral march and the harsh, discordant noise of the heartless clods as they fall into the grave. But what of the fallen warrior whose death we mourn? He sees not that which makes the bitter tears to flow, and that which bruises and crushes the heart. He hears not that which fills the soul with darkness and despair; but even as the funeral dirge is being sounded he feasts his eyes upon scenes of glory which never fade; he hears music indescribable in its purest sweetness and melody. As he looks with wonder and delight at the "mansions not made with hands, eternal in the heavens," symmetrical and sublime in their beauty and glory, he joins the ransomed hosts in saying, as did the children of Israel in former time: "For He is good, for His mercy endureth forever," and in the midst of this supernal happiness he hears the welcome words, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

Our trust is in God. Our unflinching belief is in the glorious old doctrine of the immortality of the soul, and we "Go forth to meet the shadowy future, without a fear and with a manly heart."

Immortality! IMMORTALITY! Glorious thought! Brethren, let us catch the thrill and the inspiration of the word. Let us look upward to a higher and better life; let us climb higher and higher up the mountain peaks, above the clouds of sorrow and sadness, and drink to the full of Masonry's blessed teachings concerning Immortality.

"Oh! listen, man!

A voice within us speaks that startling word:
'Man, thou shalt never die!' Celestial voices
Hymn it into our souls; according harps,
By angel fingers touched, when the mild stars
Of morning sang together, sound forth still
The song of our great immortality:
Thick, clustering orbs, and this our fair domain,
The tall, dark mountains, and the deep-toned seas,
Join in this solemn, universal song.
Oh! listen ye, our spirits; drink it in

From all the air. 'Tis in the gentle moonlight;
 'Tis floating mid day's setting glories; Night,
 Wrapped in her sable robe, with silent step
 Comes to our bed, and breathes it in our ears:
 Night, and the dawn, bright day and thoughtful eve,
 All time, all bounds, the limitless expanse,
 As one vast mystic instrument, are touched
 By an unseen, living Hand, and conscious chords
 Quiver with joy in this great jubilee.
 The dying hear it; and, as sounds of earth
 Grow dull and distant, wake their passing souls
 To mingle in this heavenly harmony."

From the Grand jurisdictions of our sister States come the sad announcements of the deaths of some of their brightest and best Masons, who have been useful and prominent in the upbuilding of Masonry in their several jurisdictions. With deep reverence for their memory and tenderest sympathy for those who have been so sorely bereaved, this Committee compiles from the report sent us as follows:

FLORIDA.

THOMAS MARVIN PULESTON, Past Grand Master, died February 16, 1910, in the prime of life. Brother Puleston was an Englishman by birth, having been born in London June 8, 1856. His record as a Mason shows that he was raised to the Sublime degree of Master Mason in our own State, in Odin Lodge No. 503. In 1880 he removed to Monticello, Florida, where his ability was soon recognized by the Grand Lodge of that State. He filled various positions of honor and trust in the Grand Lodge, and in 1903 and 1904 his faithfulness was rewarded by his elevation to the Grand East.

Brother Puleston was a man of genial and lovable disposition, and that he was esteemed and popular as a neighbor and citizen is proved by the fact that he held with signal honor and success the office of county judge of Jefferson County from 1886 to the day of his death, a period of twenty-four years.

GEORGIA

announces that on March 16, 1910, the gifted and eloquent Dr. CHARLES P. GORDON, Past Deputy Grand Master, passed from the scenes of a long and useful life to the life everlasting. He was born in Forsyth, Georgia, February 15, 1837. He was a man of finished education and great culture, being a graduate of the University of Virginia and receiving his medical education in Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, and post graduate course in the University of New York.

For several years he filled with honor to himself and pleasure to the craft the office of Senior Grand Warden and then that of Deputy Grand Master. He declined further honors, but year after year his splendid presence was seen and his eloquent voice was heard in the Councils of the Grand Lodge.

INDIANA.

DANIEL NOYES, talented lawyer, honest and upright judge and distinguished Mason, died March 13, 1910. He was born in Rutland County, Vermont, June 27, 1830.

Past Grand Master Noyes was made a Mason in Excelsior Lodge No. 41, Laporte, Indiana, May 13, 1887. From that time until his death Masonic honors came quick and in profusion.

He was not only distinguished as a Mason, but as a lawyer and jurist, serving eighteen years as judge of the Thirty-second Indiana Circuit Court. It is said of him that he made a record unsurpassed in the history of northern Indiana.

He honored the honors that were given him by his true worth as a man and his devotion to our great fraternity.

KANSAS

mourns the loss of their beloved Past Grand Master, SAMUEL R. PETERS, who died April 21, 1910. The brilliant career of Brother Peters is deserving of a far better eulogy than we can possibly give.

He was born in Pickaway County, Ohio, August 16, 1842, where he resided until his seventeenth year, when he entered Ohio Wesleyan University for two years until October, 1861, when his intense patriotism and lofty devotion to the stars and stripes caused him to enlist as a private in Company E, 73d Ohio Infantry, in the volunteer service of the United States. He remained in this glorious service until the close of the war, when he retired with the rank of captain.

Success followed this gifted brother in all his undertakings. He graduated from the law department of Michigan University in 1867, which marked the beginning of a brilliant career as a lawyer. He was judge of the District Court of the Ninth Judicial District of Kansas from the year 1875 to 1883. From 1883 until 1890 he served the people as a Representative in Congress with great zeal and fidelity. In 1899 he became editor of the *Kansas-Republican* and remained so until his decease.

Our departed brother has a long and honorable record in the Grand Lodge of his State, filling one important position after another, always with the greatest efficiency.

Let us take time to say of this illustrious brother Mason: As a soldier he gave that supreme test of patriotism—shed blood for one's country. As a judge he armed himself and interposed his life to prevent the outrage of mob law. As a citizen he was a helper, a worker, a builder. As a Mason he was richly possessed of gentle, genial fellowship and fraternal affection.

MASSACHUSETTS.

SERENO DWIGHT NICKERSON, sage and patriarch of Masonry, passed away on November 6, 1909. His was a most wonderful and distinguished career as a Mason. He was born October 16, 1823. Graduated from Yale in 1845 and from the Dane Law School of Harvard in 1847. He plunged into the activities of business life with his characteristic zeal and was noted for his honesty and square dealing in this regard.

From 1865 until his death he seems to have devoted his life almost exclusively to Free Masonry. In 1860 he entered the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts and until the time of his death held office uninterruptedly in connection therewith. In 1872-3-4 he was Grand Master. In 1881 Brother Nickerson was elected Grand Secretary, which position he held until 1908, when he declined to serve further in this capacity; and in June of that year was appointed with universal approval to the position of Grand Historian to the Grand Lodge—a place never held by anyone before and which was created for him personally by reason of his high attainments in the realm of Masonic history.

As to Masonic lore, traditions and history it would seem that this old patriarch of Masonry was unexcelled in his rich and wonderful resources, and we can readily understand how greatly his services will be missed in our sister State.

MINNESOTA.

CHARLES WHIPPO NASH was born at Albion, New York, December 5, 1829; died August 18, 1910. His profession was that of the law. He was successful in this as well as in the line of political distinction. He was elected in the early days of 1857 mayor of Des Moines, Iowa, and served in the State Senate of Minnesota in 1862. He served with bravery and distinction in the Civil War and rose to the rank of major.

He was ever a true and loyal Mason. In 1866 he was elected Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota and served as such for five years.

MONTANA,

with feelings of deep sadness, announces the death of Past Grand Master ANSALEM JOHNSON DAVIDSON, who departed this life October 24, 1909. Brother Davidson was born at Franklin, Missouri, August 13, 1843.

He listened to the call of the West incident to the gold discoveries in the gulches of Idaho and Montana and removed to Montana in 1863.

He was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason December 7, 1877, and from that time on was active in Masonic councils. It has been said of him: "A gigantic man, tender as a woman, of adamantine justice, fierce in quarrel, just in controversy, merciful in triumph, and infinitely fair in all his dealings with mankind. His Masonic life was rich in good deeds."

NEBRASKA

deplores the loss of her faithful and efficient Grand Tyler, Brother JACOB KING, who was appointed to that position June 21, 1876, and who was still filling the office at the time of his death. He was born September 3, 1831, and died January 19, 1910. He became a Master Mason January 26, 1868, in Capitol Lodge No. 3, Omaha, Nebraska. His continued service as Grand Tyler for the long period of thirty-four years gained for him a wide acquaintanceship among the brethren of his State, and his familiar face will be greatly missed at future Grand Communications.

NEVADA

enlists the sympathy of our Universal Brotherhood in the loss of Past Grand Master MICHAEL A. MURPHY, who departed this life on October 26, 1909. This is a distinct loss to the Grand Lodge of our sister State, as Brother Murphy typified the highest and best of American citizenship, and it naturally follows that he was an exemplary Mason, carrying into his daily life and his dealings with his fellow men the sublime principles of Masonry. He held various positions of honor and trust in connection with the Grand Lodge of his State and was the Grand Master in the year 1885.

In the days of the gold excitement in 1853 he crossed the plains and located, first in California and ten years later in Nevada. In the midst of a busy life he found time to study law, and was admitted to the bar in 1872, and in the same year was elected district attorney. In 1878 he was elected attorney general of the State; in 1888 a justice of the Supreme Court of Nevada and for two years served as chief justice.

His life as a lawyer, jurist and man is a part of the history of his State and stands as an imperishable monument to his integrity, ability and lofty citizenship.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

says to us in words fraught with grief: "Brethren, our beloved Grand Secretary is dead." And we answer in words no less tender and sincere: "Brethren, words cannot express our sympathy for you in your great loss."

FRANK DANA WOODBURY was born in Salem, New Hampshire, April 15, 1842. Patriotism was born within him. Loyalty to his trust was ever uppermost within his heart, and we read with pride that our dear brother in 1862 enlisted in Company G of the Eighth New Hampshire Regiment, and served as a brave and gallant soldier throughout the Civil War, and that he was a battle scarred veteran who was twice wounded in battle. At the time of his death he was Junior Vice Commander of the New Hampshire Department, G. A. R.

His record as a Mason is as follows: He was made a Master Mason in Eureka Lodge No. 70 of Concord, May 2, 1867, and served as Worshipful Master in 1869, 79 and 80. He was Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge 1888 and 1889, Grand Master 1890 and 1891. He became Grand Secretary in 1899 and held the position until the end of his useful life.

His brethren speak of him as always careful and painstaking in his attention to the business affairs of the Masonic bodies he served, and of his books and records as models of conscientious effort which cannot be surpassed. Faithful unto death to the many Masonic interests committed to his care, he leaves a shining record of a life full of honest purpose, righteous deeds and absolute devotion to his duties as a Mason.

NEW YORK.

J. EDWARD SIMMONS, Past Grand Master, departed this life April 5, 1910. He was a man of fine natural talent, to which was added the power and attractiveness of a finished education. His fame as a mighty man of business and as a useful public-spirited citizen is nation wide.

After his graduation from Williams College he chose the law as the profession, but on his removal to New York he entered the banking business, in which he won merited distinction and became a tower of strength in the financial world.

FRANK JARED THOMPSON. Born August 23, 1855, at Rockford, Ill.; died February 25, 1910, at Fargo, North Dakota.

His has been an illustrious career, both as a citizen and as a Mason. He was identified with almost every enterprise connected with the up-building of Fargo, having been a resident there since 1878. He was ever striving to do something for the public good. He was at one time a most useful member of the legislative assembly of his State.

Since the year 1892 Brother Thompson was mainly engaged in work connected with the Masonic bodies of Fargo and the State. He became Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota in June, 1890. Grand Secretary in June, 1892, which position he held to the date of his death.

He sowed in brotherhood and fellowship; he reaps in our abundant tears, our boundless regret.

RHODE ISLAND

with deepest sorrow announces the death of her Most Worshipful Grand Master, HENRY WARREN RUGG, on Thursday, July 21, 1910, in the seventy-seventh year of his age.

Whenever the Grand Lodge has been called upon to perform Masonic work; whenever the fraternity needed a champion to proclaim her virtues, this grand leader of men was always ready and willing to serve. As editor of the "Free Masons Repository" for many years he early became known to the Masonic world as a scholarly teacher of broad culture, well versed in Masonic jurisprudence and having a profound knowledge of Masonic history.

He was made a Mason in Fraternal Lodge, Barnstable, Massachusetts, September 12, 1854. In 1868 he was appointed Grand Chaplain, which position he filled until May, 1909 (excepting the year 1872). In 1909 he was elected Deputy Grand Master and on May 16, 1910, Grand Master.

As a minister of the gospel Brother Rugg for forty-four years did much for the betterment of mankind. He had high ideals with reference to Masonry's mission, as is evidenced by his own answer to the question, "What is the mission of Free Masonry?" He says: "It is to help the world to more of light and truth, to more of faith and love, and that mission will not end until the world's great harmony shall be complete and pure affection fill all hearts and rule all lives."

Brethren of Rhode Island: The brethren of Illinois send love and sympathy in the loss of your illustrious leader.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

JAMES HENRY CUNNINGHAM, Grand Secretary of this Grand jurisdiction from 1884 to 1909, was called by the Supreme Architect of the Universe, from labor here to refreshment in the Celestial Lodge above, in September, 1909.

One of the most valuable assets in the character of a man is tact. This characteristic was abundantly in the possession of this useful and beloved brother. He was endowed with a persuasive reasonableness which enabled him to say exactly the right thing and yet to avoid offense. Masonry is ever in need of just such men.

From the date of his appointment as Grand Secretary in 1884 his life and the life of the Grand Lodge were inseparably connected. For twenty-five years he occupied that high and honorable position and ever

justified the statement of the Grand Master, "That it would have been impossible to make a better appointment."

SOUTH CAROLINA.

South Carolina's Grand Treasurer, Right Worshipful Brother ZIMMERMAN DAVIS, was born in Fairfield District, South Carolina, in 1834; died at his home in Charleston March 30, 1910. He was a brave and chivalrous Confederate soldier, and on many a hard fought battlefield demonstrated his devotion to his native state. He fought the battles of life with equal bravery.

Soldier, rest! thy warfare o'er,
 Dream of fighting fields no more;
 Sleep the sleep that knows not breaking,
 Morn of toil nor night of waking.

This gallant South Carolinian was made a Master Mason in Orange Lodge No. 14 and held the position of Worshipful Master of this lodge for several terms. In December, 1885, he was elected Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge and for nearly twenty-five years discharged with the utmost fidelity the duties of that most important office.

SOUTH DAKOTA

mourns the loss of three leading lights of the fraternity, to-wit:

BYRON PLYMPTON DAGUE, Past Grand Master; WILLIAM H. MILLER, Sr., Past Deputy Grand Master, and BLIGH E. WOOD, Past Senior Grand Warden.

Brother Dague laid down the burdens of life and entered the mansions of rest May 8, 1910. He was born in Wayne County, Ohio, October 13, 1853. He was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason April 7, 1892. For six successive years he was the wise and efficient Master of Deadwood Lodge No. 7. He became Assistant Grand Lecturer in the Grand Lodge in 1898 and from this time until his election as Grand Master in 1903 the march of progress to higher honors was steady.

He leaves a shining record of a life of earnest purpose, righteous deeds and absolute devotion to his duties as a Mason.

Brother WILLIAM H. MILLER, Sr., was called from his earthly labors on October 3, 1909. He lived to the ripe old age of eighty-six. He was a grand old man and had a remarkable career. His birthplace was Dublin, Ireland, and the date of his birth November 26, 1823. He was in the British army for a number of years. In 1861, having in the meantime removed to Madison, Wisconsin, he was made a lieutenant of the

First Wisconsin Infantry, and in the same year was promoted to be major of the Second Wisconsin Cavalry. He came out of the Civil War the lieutenant-colonel of the regiment.

He removed to Canton, South Dakota, in 1873 and resided there until his death. He was a veteran in Masonry, having been made a Master Mason in Hiram Lodge No. 5, Madison, Wisconsin, September 30, 1858. In 1875 he became Senior Grand Deacon of the Grand Lodge and in 1877, Deputy Grand Master.

Brother Miller was faithful in the great duties which he owed to God, his country, his family and himself, and we may confidently hope that he will receive the reward which has been prepared for the righteous from the foundation of the world.

South Dakota loses another faithful old veteran in Brother BLIGH E. WOOD, who died October 17, 1909. He was born in the State of New York, March 27, 1827, and came to Dakota Territory in 1860. Brother Wood's history would indeed be an interesting volume, and it is an injustice to such a character to make so brief mention of him. He was one of those rugged, sturdy pioneers whose interesting career and excitable adventures history and romance delight to depict. He was a member of the first territorial legislature, which met in Yankton in 1862. Of all those who met at the organization of Dakota Territory he was the last survivor.

He was made a Master Mason in St. Johns Lodge No. 1, Yankton, in 1863. In 1876 he was the Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge.

VIRGINIA.

Past Grand Master KOSCIUSKO KEMPER is no more. He departed this life in Washington, D. C., January 26, 1910. He was loved and honored by all who knew him. It is sad to know that his final months were spent in blindness, but he is now at rest and views with delight Heaven's beauties and glories. Lawyer, teacher, officer in Fort Sumter, mayor of Alexandria, Master of Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22, Representative of the Grand Lodges of England and Montana, honorary member of Constitutional Lodge No. 294, England, and Liberty Lodge, Massachusetts, Grand Master of Masons in Virginia—in all these capacities he was honored and loved. A Virginia gentleman of the old school. Can more be said?

WEST VIRGINIA.

A communication from this State announces that death has invaded the official household of the Grand Lodge and removed from earth to heaven that eminent and zealous craftsman and amiable and beloved brother, Right Worshipful JOHN DUNBAR BAINES, Senior Grand Warden.



JOHN M. PEARSON
M. W. Grand Master 1889-1890

On Tuesday evening, January 11, 1910, the summons came for him, and our brother's gentle and loving spirit took its flight heavenward, there to be garbed in the robes of blissful immortality.

In the affairs of Masonry, church, charity, business and every movement of a civic and moral nature, Brother Baines will be missed.

He was a member of Kanawha Lodge No. 20, Charleston, in which lodge he was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason April 7, 1884. He began his Grand Lodge work in 1900 and had achieved honors higher and higher within the gift of the Grand Lodge until in 1909 he was elected Senior Grand Warden.

Brother Baines' Masonic activity extended over a period of more than a quarter of a century, during which time he stood in the front rank as the faithful of the faithful.

ILLINOIS.

And now it is ours to speak of those we have learned to love so well on account of fond and intimate association.

JOHN MILLS PEARSON, for more than fifty years a member of the Grand Lodge of the State of Illinois, was called from earth to his eternal home June 4, 1910.

Brother Pearson was born at Newburyport, Massachusetts, October 7, 1832. He came to Illinois in 1848, locating at Alton. In 1866 he moved to his farm near Godfrey, Illinois, where he has since resided until he went to his eternal abiding place.

He was a big-hearted, public-spirited man and held various positions of trust and honor, serving several years as a trustee of the University of Illinois and as one of the Illinois railroad and warehouse commission. He was elected at different times as a Representative in the State Legislature. In all these positions he exercised a zeal and a discretion truly commendable.

But it is as a Mason that we love most to speak of Brother Pearson. He was made a Master Mason in Piasa Lodge No. 27, Alton, Illinois, in 1853. He was elected Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Illinois October 7, 1890 (his fifty-eighth birthday), and re-elected the following year.

When the news of the death of this patriarch in Masonry reached us there at once came into our minds the word of King David, when he learned of the death of Abner: "Know ye not that there is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel?" Learned in Masonic lore and teachings; rich and ripe with his years of experience, he was beyond value as a counselor in Grand Lodge circles.

He loved Masonry with most commendable earnestness and scrupulously practiced its precepts.

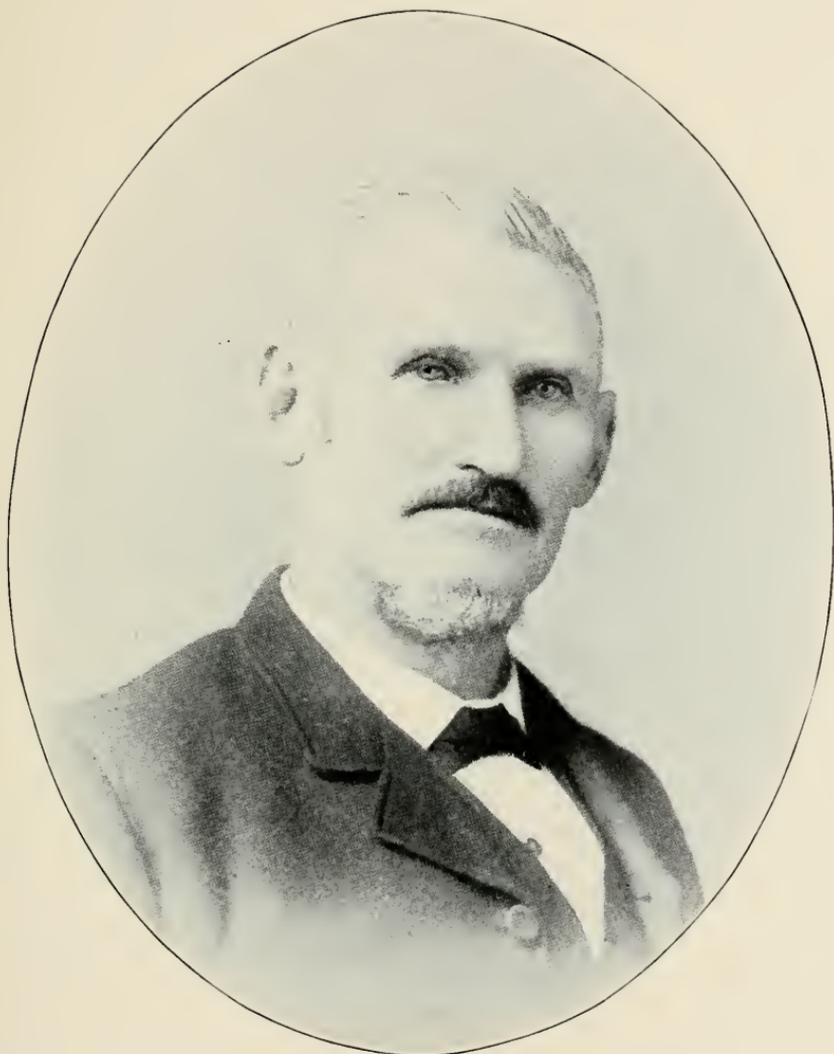
The Masonic record of our brother is noteworthy and almost unprecedented in activity and in honors attained. It tells of his zeal and energy in seeking for Masonic light and learning. It tells of an undying love and devotion for our cause. In 1853 he became a Chapter member; in 1854 he united with the Council; in 1859 with the Commandery and was the presiding officer of all these bodies. In 1883 he was made a thirty-second degree Mason in Oriental Consistory, and two years later was honored with the thirty-third. He was the Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council in 1868; Grand High Priest of the Chapter, R.A.M. in 1869, and Grand Commander of Knights Templar in 1870. Elected Grand Master of the Grand Lodge October 7, 1890, and re-elected the year following, he acquired Masonic honors, such as few men have enjoyed.

John Mills Pearson, though said to be dead, yet lives—lives in our memories on account of his numberless kind and manly acts; lives in our hearts' purest affections, because he was a brother Mason whose loyalty to the craft will never, no, never, be forgotten. His deeds of love, of justice, and of mercy, constitute an enduring monument more imperishable than bronze or granite.

"I cannot say and I will not say
That he is dead—he is just away.
With submissive smile and wave of hand,
He has entered into that better land.
He is not dead—he is just away.
Nor is he away from the better part;
Away from the *eye*, but not the *heart*.
And he lingers near to soothe our pain,
And teaches that life and death are gain.
And he waits on the bright, eternal shore
For the hand clasp of Brotherhood once more."

And now we speak with heartfelt love and deepest reverence of another old patriarch of Masonry, whose long and faithful service has endeared him to Masons throughout the length and breadth of our grand old State. The very mention of his name should inspire us to greater devotion to the cause of Masonry and enlist within us the earnest resolve that none of Masonry's symmetrical beauties, none of its sublime ceremonies shall ever be profanely or grotesquely misused; and that any encroachment upon these sacred and time honored teachings and principles will be regarded as an insult to our great fraternity.

WILLIAM BERRY GRIMES departed this life in Pittsfield, Illinois, April 10, 1910, at the ripe old age of eighty-one years.



WILLIAM B. GRIMES
Member Board of Grand Examiners
District Deputy Grand Master

"Father Grimes," as he was affectionately called, was born near Carmi, White County, Illinois, November 25, 1828. He became a resident of Pike County, this State, when eight years of age, where he resided until his death. Here he was honored by a host of neighbors and friends. His popularity was attested by his election to various public positions within the gift of the people of his county. In all these offices he achieved an enviable record for honesty, fidelity and efficiency. He was by nature courteous and gentle in his relations with his fellow men and won for himself the loyal friendship of all who knew him. He had manly metal in his makeup. The success of such a man is inevitable.

While our venerable brother was true to all his trusts and eminently public spirited, yet with all his great interest in civic affairs his heart's delight was in the great field of Free Masonry.

He was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason in Pittsfield Lodge No. 56 in the year 1854, which marked the beginning of a bright and useful Masonic life. In 1875 he was appointed Deputy Grand Lecturer and in 1879 was made a member of the Board of Examiners, and Chairman of same in 1892. He was also at one time Grand Steward of the Grand Lodge. For more than a quarter of a century he was a member of the Grand Lodge, in which he was ever a leading light. It was always his delight to render Masonic instruction whenever and wherever needed. He was ever zealous in preserving and protecting the time-honored and beautiful traditions, forms and ceremonies of the fraternity. They were to him sacred in their meaning and purpose, and his defense of them seemed uppermost in his thoughts.

Brother Grimes had a wide acquaintance among the brotherhood all over the State of Illinois, and none knew him but to love him. Hundreds of the rank and file join in mourning his loss and in extending sympathy to his family. The Grand Lodge misses him; all Masons will miss him, and it will be long before one will be found to fill his place.

There may be brethren more brilliant, whose bearing will attract the public notice more quickly, but there are no brethren who loved our blessed principles with a devotion less selfish, or who will work for them with more courage and constancy than Brother William Berry Grimes. It is comforting to know that he died full of years and full of honors; that he "fought a good fight," and that the impress of his noble nature will forever be stamped upon the future history of Masonry in this State.

"Sleep on, dear friend: such lives as thine
Have not been lived in vain;
But shed an influence rare, divine,
On lives that here remain."

WILLIAM GARDNER was born in Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, Scotland, May 24, 1846; died in Chicago December 17, 1909. He came to the United States and located in Jersey City, New Jersey, in 1871. He came to Chicago in 1883.

Brother Gardner was made a Master Mason in 1895 and became one of the founders of St. Andrews Lodge No. 863 in 1902, and was its first Senior Warden. In 1904 he was elected its Worshipful Master, and in the same year was commissioned Deputy Grand Lecturer in the Grand Lodge.

Our brother was deservedly popular, possessing merits of character which won for him a host of loyal friends. He was one of the best known leaders among the Scotch people in Chicago. In his death Masonry loses one of its most faithful followers and enthusiastic devotees.

With profound sorrow this committee reports the deaths of the following Masters and Past Masters of local lodges:

ALFRED G. ADAMS, Past Master of Yates City Lodge No. 448, died February 17, 1910.

EBENEZER ALLAN, W.M. of Trio Lodge No. 57, 1872 and 1873, died May 20, 1910.

FRANZ AMBERG, W.M. of Lessing Lodge No. 557 for the year 1882, died June 12, 1910.

FRANK P. ARMSTRONG served several terms as Worshipful Master of E. M. Husted Lodge No. 796, died February 14, 1910.

ISAAC F. ASKEW, Past Master of New Salem Lodge No. 218, died November 10, 1909.

CHARLES SAMUEL AUSTIN, W.M. South Park Lodge No. 662 for the year 1894, died March 26, 1910.

J. B. BABCOCK, W.M. Marengo Lodge No. 138 for the year 1870, died March 15, 1910.

THOMAS BAILEY, W.M. Benjamin Lodge No. 297 for the year 1870, died January 2, 1910.

WILLIAM B. BARNES, W.M. Aurora Lodge No. 254 for the year 1872 and 1873, died March 2, 1910.

E. A. BARTHOLOMEW, W.M. Friendship Lodge No. 7 in 1898, died November 7, 1909.

GEORGE WILLIAM BRANT, W.M. Morning Star Lodge No. 734 in 1903 and 1904, died March 18, 1910.

CORNELIUS BYE, W.M. of Tuscola Lodge No. 332 for eight years, to-wit: 1864-66-67-76-77-86-90 and 91, died October 9, 1909.

H. H. CARPENTER, Past Master of Englewood Lodge No. 690, died June 13, 1910.

GEORGE CATLIN, W.M. Waubansia Lodge No. 160 for the year 1885, died March 23, 1910.

OSCAR B. CHAMBERLAIN, W.M. of Unity Lodge No. 48 for the years 1879 and 1880, died June 11, 1910.

SOLOMON G. CHANIE, Past Master of New Salem Lodge No. 218, died October 14, 1909.

HORATIO CHURCHELL, Past Master of Buda Lodge No. 399, died April 25, 1910.

ALVIN S. CLARK, W.M. of Elgin Lodge No. 117 for five years, to-wit: 1869-70-73-74 and 79, died April 11, 1910.

HENRY CLAY, W.M. of Tamaroa Lodge No. 207 for eight years, viz.: 1866-69-70-71-72-74-79 and 80, died September 1, 1909.

JOHN C. CLUETT, W.M. of Union Park Lodge No. 610 for the years 1879 and 1880, died June 19, 1910.

JOHN W. COBBS, W.M. of Saint Paul's Lodge No. 500 for the year 1908, died September 12, 1909.

WILLIAM WESLEY COLT, W.M. of Rushville Lodge No. 9 for the year 1907, died July 7, 1909.

JOHN R. DAVIS, W.M. of Harmony Lodge No. 3 for the year 1899, died July 13, 1909.

SAMUEL G. DEAN, W.M. of Wataga Lodge No. 291 for seven years (1858-59-60-61-62-75 and 80), died February 11, 1910.

P. J. ECORD, W.M. for six years of Lovington Lodge No. 228, died January 6, 1910.

HENRY ALONZO EIDSON, W.M. of Cooper Lodge No. 489 for fifteen years, viz.: 1878-79-81-82-83-85-88-89-90-93-94-95-1900-01 and 05, died October 7, 1909.

MILTON QUIMBY FAIR, W.M. of Apollo Lodge No. 642 (dates not given), died September 1, 1909.

FRIEDRICK AUGUST FEDER, W.M. of Germania Lodge No. 182 for three years (1870-71 and 79), died September 30, 1909.

CALVIN FORD, W.M. of E. F. W. Ellis Lodge No. 633 for the year 1887, died May 8, 1910.

FRANK E. FREDRICK, W.M. Riverside Lodge No. 862 for the year 1906, died August 25, 1909.

DAVID GILLESPIE, Past Master of Logan Lodge No. 210, died March 10, 1910.

WILLIAM T. GRIFFITH, W.M. of Taylor Lodge No. 98 for the years 1873 and 1874, died September 2, 1909.

CHARLES A. GROSS, W.M. Herder Lodge No. 669 for the year 1902, died June 17, 1910.

NATHAN HEFTER, W.M. of Golden Gate Lodge No. 248 in 1869 and 1870, died January 9, 1910. It is noteworthy that Brother Hefter, who affiliated with Chicago Lodge No. 437 on May 3, 1875, was elected Secretary of said lodge in December, 1875, and re-elected annually until his death, a service of thirty-four years.

JULIEN W. HEMENWAY, W.M. of DuQuoin Lodge No. 234 at the time of his death, had served the lodge as W.M. for thirteen or fourteen years. Died May 19, 1910.

B. W. HILL, W.M. of Sumner Lodge No. 334 for the year 1865, died February 2, 1910.

L. M. HOBART, Past Master of Tremont Lodge No. 467, died March 30, 1910.

DANIEL HOERR, W.M. of Lessing Lodge No. 557 for the year 1885, died February 5, 1910.

CHARLES HOYA, W.M. of Mithra Lodge No. 410 for the years 1889 and 90, died January 17, 1910.

CHARLES M. HULDT, W.M. of Rockford Lodge No. 102 for the year 1889, died December 14, 1909.

ALONZO P. JOHNSON, W.M. of Peoria Lodge No. 15 for the years 1882 and 1884, died September 30, 1909.

C. B. JONES, W.M. of Sumner Lodge No. 334 for the year 1872, died October 19, 1909.

BENJAMIN JUDD, Past Master of Wenona Lodge No. 344, died January 14, 1910.

WILLIAM L. KINCAID, W.M. of Greenfield Lodge No. 129 for the year 1875, died December 2, 1909.

C. J. KUYPER, W.M. Kensington Lodge No. 804 (date when he held the position not given), died November 6, 1909.

ROBERT LESLIE, W.M. of Tolono Lodge No. 391 for three years, 1888, 1889 and 1890, died December 26, 1909.

JOHN LINGO, W.M. of Peoria Lodge No. 15 from 1887 to 1889 and from November 1, 1890, to November 1, 1895, died October 18, 1909.

JACOB LONG, W.M. of Abraham Lincoln Lodge No. 518 for four years, viz.: 1889-90-91 and 92, died June 3, 1910.

GEORGE LYTLE, W.M. of New Boston Lodge No. 59 for eight years (1878-79-81-82-83-84-85 and 86), died January 21, 1910.

ORIN MCDANIEL, W.M. of Stewardson Lodge No. 541 (date of service not given), died February 14, 1910.

GEORGE H. MCKINLEY, Past Master of Doric Lodge No. 319, died January 10, 1910.

JOSEPH H. MERRILL, W.M. nine years of Wataga Lodge No. 291 (1886-87-88-89-90-91-93-94 and 1900), died March 24, 1910.

MARSHALL RILEY MOORE, W.M. of Equality Lodge No. 2 for three years (1903-04 and 06), died April 15, 1910.

PETER H. MORELAND, W.M. of Vermilion Lodge No. 265 for the years 1907 and 1908, died June 8, 1910.

JOHN GRAFTON MOSS, W.M. of Cuba Lodge No. 534 for the years of 1879, 1882 and 1884, died March 29, 1910.

HENRY MUELLER, Past Master of Stewardson Lodge No 541, died May 7, 1910.

HENRY MUNSTERMAN, W.M. of D. C. Cregier Lodge No. 643 for three successive years (1874-75 and 76), died December 17, 1909.

S. B. OAKLEY, W.M. of Marengo Lodge No. 138 for the year 1900, died May 19, 1910.

JOHN O'NEILL, W.M. of Blair Lodge No. 393 for the years 1871 and 72, died September 26, 1909.

L. S. PEARSALL, W.M. of Philo Lodge No. 436 for the year 1883, died April 10, 1910.

WILLIAM I. PECKENPAUGH, W.M. of Pacific Lodge No. 66 for the years 1893-94 and 98, died June 23, 1910.

DAVID A. PETRIE, W.M. of Greenview Lodge No. 653 for the year 1880, died November 3, 1909.

STEPHEN G. PITKIN, W.M. of Covenant Lodge No. 526 for the year 1871, died March 7, 1910.

THOMAS J. RAFFERTY, W.M. of Carrollton Lodge No. 50 (date of service not given), date of death March 11, 1910.

DAVID RAINEY, W.M. of Maroa Lodge No. 454 for the years 1894 and 95, died June 14, 1910.

STEPHEN REDSHAW, W.M. of Exeter Lodge No. 424 for the year 1874, died May 29, 1910.

DAVID O. REID, W.M. of Doric Lodge No. 319 (date of service not given), died August 25, 1909.

JOHN M. RHOADS, Past Master of Roscoe Lodge No. 75, died December 2, 1909.

GEORGE RICHMOND, W.M. of Edwardsville Lodge No. 99 for the year 1883, died January 14, 1910.

CHARLES E. ROE, W.M. of Oak Park Lodge No. 540 for the year 1880, died May 12, 1910.

CALENDER ROHRBAUGH, W.M. of Kimmundy Lodge No. 398 (date of service not given), died September 12, 1909.

JOHN A. ROSS, W.M. of Clement Lodge No. 680 for the years 1890 and 1891, died June 29, 1910.

HENRY RUECK, W.M. of Columbia Lodge No. 474 for the years 1905 and 1906, died May 31, 1910.

JOHN BENJAMIN SCHNELL, W.M. of Thomas J. Turner Lodge No. 409 for the year 1898, died March 14, 1910.

ALLEN THEODORE SCOVEL, W.M. of Franklin Lodge No. 25 for the years 1888 and 1889, died February 18, 1910.

ROBERT E. SEELEY, W.M. of Lafayette Lodge No. 657 for the year 1907, died December 12, 1909.

EDGAR B. SHUMWAY, W.M. of Peotone Lodge No. 636 for the year 1883, died March 2, 1910.

JAMES SIMCOX, W.M. of Patoka Lodge No. 613 from 1870 to 1877, inclusive, died September 10, 1909 (?).

THOMAS M. SIMMONS, W.M. of Hibbard Lodge No. 249 for the year 1880, died March 24, 1910.

THOMAS DUDDLESTON SLOCUM, W.M. in 1905 of Franklin Lodge No. 25, died February 18, 1910.

THOMAS O. SPRINGER, W.M. of Edwardsville Lodge No. 99 in 1864, died February 22, 1910. (Brother Springer was the last surviving charter member of Edwardsville Lodge No. 99.)

OLIVER PERRY STODDARD, W.M. of Galva Lodge No. 243 for the years from 1885 to 1890, inclusive, six successive years, died June 4, 1910.

SYLVANUS C. SWALLEY, W.M. of John D. Moody Lodge No. 510 for the years 1894, 1900 and 1903, died January 24, 1910.

JAMES SYKES, W.M. of Kingston Lodge No. 266 for the years 1891 and 1892, died March 3, 1910.

JAMES DINSMORE TEMPLETON, W.M. of Macon Lodge No. 8 for the year 1890, died December 5, 1909.

GEORGE W. TRASK, who was the first Worshipful Master of E. M. Husted Lodge No. 796 and who served several terms as such, died September 15, 1909.

CARL UHLRICH, W.M. of Schiller Lodge No. 335 for the years 1885 and 1886, died March 17, 1910.

ELON E. WALLACE, W.M. of Pontiac Lodge No. 294 for five years, to-wit: 1877-78-79-81 and 82, died May 7, 1910.

ALLEN BRADNEY WESTON, W.M. of Bodley Lodge No. 1 (date of holding office not given), died February 9, 1910.

THOMAS S. WHITLEY, W.M. of Eldorado Lodge No. 730 for the year 1907, died August, 1909.

GEORGE CUTTER WHITMORE, W.M. of Delavan Lodge No. 156 for the years 1892 and 1893, died April 18, 1910.

CHARLES O. WOMACK, W.M. of Tadmor Lodge No. 794 for the year 1907, died November 1, 1909.

CHARLES LATHAM YOUNG, W.M. of Monitor Lodge No. 522 for the year 1878, died January 5, 1910.

In the foregoing list are the names of some of the best men that ever lived. Some of them were not well known outside of their own immediate community. They thirsted not for fame. But they were Masons, good and true, and lived and practiced the blessed principles of Masoury every day of their lives. As husband, father, friend and neighbor they were ideal and in the communities in which they lived there is the deepest and purest of grief because they are gone. Nature's princes and noble-men exist unknown and unsung. They go about quietly and modestly sowing the seeds of kindness and love, cheering the broken hearted, administering to the needy and the distressed. Many dear brethren of this kind are taken from us year by year. We wish that it were possible to inscribe their names in letters of gold upon our records.

To every Masonic family who have lost loved ones during the year, whatever their station in life, we desire to say that we sympathize with them as only Masons can sympathize, and ask them to trust in a God of Love for solace and comfort in their deep distress.

We turn with sorrow from the tomb of these brethren. We say in our sadness "Farewell"—and yet not farewell, for life is so short and we will soon meet them again. We will only say "Good-night." "Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning."

C. W. HARRISS,
A. L. WHITENBERG,
FRANK E. LOCKE,
Committee.

CHICAGO, ILL., October 12, 1910.

REPORT—Committee on Lodges U. D.

Bro. H. C. Mitchell, Chairman of the Committee on Lodges Under Dispensation, presented the report of that committee. It was adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Illinois, A.F. & A.M.:

Your Committee on Lodges under Dispensation would respectfully report that there have been presented to it for its consideration, the dispensations and returns of eleven lodges, which have been working

under dispensation since the last annual communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, and as a result of their labors, present the following report:

SESSER LODGE, U.D., Sesser, Illinois.

A dispensation was granted June 16, 1908, by M.W. Bro. Alexander H. Bell. The lodge was instituted July 14, 1908, by R.W. Bro. Wm. M. Webster, D.D.G.M., of the Forty-fifth District.

The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	21
Number elected	15
Number rejected	6
Number initiated	15
Number passed	13
Number raised	13
Number named in dispensation	21
Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter	0
Number signing petition for charter	31

Whose names are as follows:

Emza Ellsworth Ward, Jasper Isom, William Eugene Cockrum, Riley Durham Webb, Casiea Bianca Lewis, Edward Joseph Jackson, Caras Alva McBride, Bartley Albert McBride, Thomas Denis Jordan, John Edward Jordan, Jessie Forest Johnson, Lacy M. Midyett, George W. Harris, David G. Martin, Noah Isom, James D. Isom, James A. Jones, Burley A. Murry, Harvey A. Patterson, Camdon E. Murry, Allison M. Gilliam, John B. Martin, John F. Allen, Emmet M. Jones, William L. Allen, Lemuel B. Dawson, Harry P. Morgan, Charles E. Orr, George B. Gray, William Wood, Ohio C. Galloway, Edgar E. Cockrum, Arthur W. Hedrick.

The record of Sesser lodge was referred to your Committee at the sessions of the Grand Lodge, of 1908 and 1909, but showed so many errors, both in the record of work and the imperfect manner in which the minutes were kept, that they recommended that their dispensation be continued until the present session of the Grand Lodge, which was done. The committee is pleased to report that during the past year, the work of the lodge has been, vastly superior to that done in the past, and the minutes show great improvement, and are practically without error; we therefore recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Sesser Lodge No. 918.

ELWOOD LODGE, Elwood, Illinois.

A dispensation for this lodge was issued November 7, 1908, by M.W. Bro. Alexander H. Bell, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted November 19, 1908, by R.W. Bro. John B. Fithian, D.D.G.M. of the Seventeenth District.

The work of this lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	22
Number elected	19
Number rejected	1
Number not acted on	2
Number initiated	18
Number passed	18
Number raised	17
Number named in dispensation	19
Number named in dispensation not signing for charter o	
Number signing petition for charter	38

Whose names are as follows:

Bruce Turpie Harley, George Neil Blatt, James C. Beattie, Elry Gilbert Spangler, George J. W. Eib, George Elmer Gurney, Arno James Gurney, Daniel Neil Blatt, George Henry Bridge, Henry Bradley, Matthias Jensen, Albert Matthias Eib, Frank States, Sen., Elvis Calneh Noel, Frederick Schweizer, Garland Frederick Blatt, William Taylor Hood, Homer Huntington Wood, Henry G. Williams, Alfred Henry Blatt, James Wilmain McIntyre, Edwin Hutchison, Charles K. Smalley, Arthur Henry Williams, Benjamin David Jones, Frank Robert Jones, Albert Henry Goodwin, Edward Lendrum Wilson, Clarence Elmer Efner, Fred Warren Spangler, Hugh Clark Baker, Chris H. Barlow, George A. Baker, Elias Brown, Otto Emil Feil, Herbert Renfrew Jones.

The record of this lodge was submitted for examination at the last session of the Grand Lodge, but showed so many errors both in the minutes and record of work that your committee recommended that a charter be not granted, but that their dispensation be continued until the present session of the Grand Lodge. The record of work during the past year is of a very high order. The minutes are finely tabulated, and show great neatness and care on the part of the secretary, and are without a single error; we therefore recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Elwood Lodge No. 919.

COTTONWOOD LODGE, U.D., Cottonwood, Illinois.

The dispensation was issued April 9, 1909, by M.W. Bro. Alexander H. Bell, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted April 16, 1909, by R.W. Bro. I. A. Foster, D.D.G.M. of the Forty-seventh District.

The record of work is as follows :

Number of petitions received	18
Number elected	16
Number rejected	2
Number not acted on	0
Number initiated	14
Number passed	12
Number raised	12
Number named in dispensation	15
Number named in dispensation not signing for charter	1
Number signing petition for charter	26

Whose names are as follows :

Edgar M. Lasater, James M. Lasater, George N. Harris, Walter B. Weas, Lee Mills, Lewis A. Murphy, Timothy Jay Downen, Wilbern Murphy, Elvis Mercer Smith, Daniel A. Bryant, William E. McGuire, James B. Hale, Alfred Newton Smith, James B. Bryant, William F. Lanham, Rank Logan Pearce, Charles B. Williams, Grover Bagby, Ulysses Grant Melton, William W. Williams, James S. Pearce, Dillard Pearce, John Baty Slater, Odes Sherman Bryant, Henry Oral Smith, William Calvin Williams.

This lodge also applied for a charter at the last session of the Grand Lodge, but failed to comply with Section 12, Article 23, Part 2, of the Grand Lodge By-Laws, which clearly states that every lodge working under dispensation, shall make its returns to the Grand Lodge on or before the first day of September, next succeeding the date of its dispensation, and shall transmit therewith its letter of dispensation, a copy of its by-laws and a record of its proceedings, which made it obligatory upon the part of the Committee to withhold its recommendation for charter, we therefore recommended that their dispensation be continued until the present session of the Grand Lodge. They have again applied for a charter, and have complied with the requirements of Section 12 of the Grand Lodge By-laws. The record shows that on March 4, 1910, the fee was returned to the petitioner, and does not show that the candidate was ever balloted on, or rejected. It also shows that on June 17, 1910, a petitioner was initiated, but no record of his having been balloted on. In other respects the minutes have been well and correctly kept, and the errors, no doubt, were evidently errors on the part of the secretary; we therefore recommend that this lodge be granted a charter as Cottonwoõd Lodge No. 920.

AVONDALE LODGE, U.D., Chicago, Illinois.

A dispensation for this lodge was issued September 13, 1909, by M.W. Bro. Alexander H. Bell, Grand Master. The lodge was insti-

tuted October 1st, 1909, by R.W. Bro. D. D. King, D.D.G.M. of the Fourth District.

The work of this lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	113
Number elected	82
Number rejected	20
Number not acted on	11
Number initiated	75
Number passed	73
Number raised	73
Number named in dispensation	29
Number named in dispensation not signing charter	4
Number signing petition for charter	98

Whose names are as follows:

George Edward Trebing, David Frank Shogren, Harry William Kuetemeyer, John William August Bredfeldt, Alfred Varnom William, August Hadam, Charles Kraus, Jr., Alfred Hubert Courtois, Jr., Paul Scholz, William Estrup, Julius Strauss, Jr., Charles Richards Bowen, John Theodore Sundblom, August Trogott Meier, Oscar Egen Servis, William Louis Luge, Daniel Heasley, Adolph Grewe, Henry Schwinkendorff, Phillip Russell, Emil Hallenborg, Walter Maxellus Kroll, Otto George Haller, John Edward Peterson, Benjamin Wold Hegborn, Allan John Carr, Henry Brown, Fred M. Struebing, William Peter Kioebge, William Frederick Gierke, Bernard Martin Freese, Oscar John Olson, Edward Andrew Hoff, Russell Archer Stevenson, William Heidlauf, Alexander C. Kopeto, James Francis Richmond, Henry Max Dietzel, Edward John Neralich, Henry Pfeiffer, Michael Jacob Kuechenberg, Adolph Scholz, Charles James Louis Maerker, Joseph Bjishkian, Eugene Hirschberg, Charles A. Klapproth, William E. Kurth, John Alfred Olson, John Leonard Nicolai, George Schmidt, Roscoe Conklin McCormick, Christ John Fahs, Charles Graham Dada, Garry Arehart, Charles August Larson, John Andrew Engel, Irvin L. Snyder, Andrew Joseph Friedrich, William Louis Heidlauf, George Albert Rossiter, Louis Maurice, Benjamin John Kacin, Jordan Breemersch, Axel Wilhelm Winberg, Gustaf Adolph Johnson, Frank William Minster, William Edward Moberg, John Henry Falck, Emil John Hubka, Alfred Glover, Charles Edward Nelson, John Fred Newell, William Fernand Degen, Charles John Forsberg, George Frederic Lohman, Lawrence Hill Sullivan, Marcus Darius Lane, Humboldt Miller, Gustave Edward Koy. Edward Joseph Johnson, William Henry Herbeck, Joseph Allen DuBois, John Edwin Koons, Carl Hartman, Charles Henry Eichenberg, Frank Nathaniel Gaggin, Oscar Fred Henry von Werder, John William Saunders, Nicholas Kremer, Henry August Tegtmeier, John Henry

Sturm, Charles F. Olsen, John M. Olsen, Thomas Rasmus Schmidt, Emil Bernard Schafer, Charl Erik Barkstrom, Gustave Budruweit, Fred E. W. Swanson.

The record of this lodge has been kept very neatly and without an error, and shows that the work has been properly done; your committee recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Avondale Lodge No. 921.

GRANT PARK LODGE, U.D., Grant Park, Illinois.

A dispensation for this lodge was issued December 2, 1909, by M.W. Bro. Albert B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted December 17, 1909, by R.W. Bro. N. T. Stevens, D.D.G.M. of the Eighteenth District.

The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	17
Number elected	16
Number rejected	1
Number not acted on	0
Number initiated	16
Number passed	13
Number raised	13
Number named in dispensation	10
Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter	0
Number signing petition for charter	23

Whose names are as follows:

Orcutt Nathan Carr, Fred Clarence Teverbaugh, John Henry Cole, Harry A. Cole, Edward Clinton Curtis, Albert Carl Bothfuhr, Arthur Thomas Plant, John Baptist Ashline, John Paquin, George Ephriam Wheeler, Cass Joseph Hayden, Albert Wright, Harold William Freeman, John Robert Hanlon, Luther Calvin Streeter, Ernest Burchard Griffin, Vernon Slocum Curtis, John Anderson Kallgren, Frank Benjamin Carr, Fred Irving Sherwood, Byron Wilber Brown, William Charles Unruh, Claud Harrison Dayton.

The record shows that in every instance Section 1, Article 13, Part 2, of the Grand Lodge By-laws was violated, which clearly states that the substance of the petition shall be given. Section 2, Article 4, of their Lodge By-laws explicitly states that the fee for the E.A. degree shall accompany the petition, which fee is \$15, and in no instance did they collect that amount, but sometimes \$5.00, and sometimes \$10. In no instance does the record show that either the committee had reported to the Master, or that the Master had reported it to the

lodge. Your committee, therefore, recommend that a charter be not granted, and that their dispensation be continued until the next session of the Grand Lodge.

COMPASS LODGE, U.D., Chicago, Illinois.

A dispensation for this lodge was issued January 28, 1910, by M.W. Bro. Albert B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted February 1, 1910, by R.W. Bro. Edward W. Peterson, D.D.G.M. of the Sixth District.

The work of this lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	38
Number elected	31
Number rejected	3
Number not acted on	4
Number initiated	31
Number passed	28
Number raised	28
Number named in dispensation	37
Number signing petition for charter	65

Whose names are as follows:

Christian Gottlieb Schnaidt, Oscar Levi Carson, Ingward Christian Peterson, Thomas Francis Keenan, Earl Ottamer Studley, George Everett Dunning, John Mutter, Charles Frederick Fuhrman, Charles Howard Dingman, Louis James Anderson, Joseph Frank Moeller, Eugene Wilber Staley, William Thomas Green, Frank Gibson Etter, Horace Drury Davis, Arthur Hugo Lassman, Thomas Edward Higginson, Maurice James Kenyon, Barnett Griggs Secord, Fenton Samuel Fox, William Manning, Edgar Hays Towner, Henry Frederick Ehlers, Louis L. Beehler, Lue Frederick Battou, Gust Ernst Johnson, Charles Edward Kreger, George William Payne, Paul Cornell, Jr., Melbourne John Morris, Clay Hollon, Charles William Fraser, Daniel Thomas DeVaney, Edgar Stephen Wilcox, William Emanuel Rassmussen, Hugh Claney, William Albert Hoffman, James Bernard Coyle, John Francis Clarke, William Gibson Hill, Charles Henry Kuehl, Charles Henry Kehroth, Lionell Hamilton Phillips, Chase Rogers Moore, Charles Albin Joneson, Frank Joseph Moeller, Lewis Lang, Clarence Nathaniel Ball, Elmer Ellsworth Dickerhoof, Jarl Albert Johnson, Leonard Samuel Drake, Frank Joseph Fassnacht, William Bert Baker, Carl Fred Gerischer, Edmund Summers Carr, Herman Kuchle, Robert Lee Stacey, Paul Tobias Fouke, John Leonard Peterson, George Richard Raabe, Otto Thomas Allen, Anthony William Saunders, Thomas Frank Barnett, William Lenox Witty, Charles Henry Bowles.

The record of this lodge is neat, correct, clear and concise; your committee recommend that a charter be granted this lodge as Compass Lodge No. 922.

EAST GATE LODGE, U.D., Chicago, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge, March 4, 1910, by M.W. Bro. Albert B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted March 15, 1910, by R.W. Bro. William Bied, D.D.G.M. of the Fifth District.

The work of this lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	97
Number elected	79
Number rejected	5
Number not acted on	13
Number initiated	75
Number passed	56
Number raised	55
Number named in dispensation	101
Number signing petition for charter	156

Whose names are as follows:

Adeeb M. Araman, Marcus Adler, Edward Joseph Ader, Harry Walker Abbott, Isaac Emanuel Block, Sam'l Robt. Block, Joseph Leo Berkovitz, Max C. Brandstetter, Aaron Maurice Bermond, Harry Daniel Bermond, Berthold Bodenheimer, Reynold L. H. Brown, Stanley Allen Brown, Herman Baker, Arthur Herbert Bannister, Axel Peterson Burg, Harvey Julius Carlson, Albert H. Clayburgh, Chas. Cohn, Osker Theo. Christenson, Wm. Joseph Coultry, Edward Civis, Moses Conney, Wm. Thompson Carrigan, Albert Cahn, Isidore Conney, Arthur W. Dixon, John Edward Day, Oril Duraud, Albert Daniels, Chas. De Lee, David Hill Danek, Walter Edwin Derwent, Carl Hart Dessauer, Albert Ericson, Chas. Ericson Erie, Storm Chas. Erie Gustav Wendell Eysenbach, Jno. Emil Friedlaud, Herman Julius Friese, Wm. Bernard Frank, Norman Lyle Ferris, Albert K. Frank, Sam'l Geo. Finerman, Chas. Williams Furse, Arthur Edmund Gorvett, Irwin Adelbert Gardner, Harry Glick, Oadie Alexander Herro, Wm. Lorenzo Hammonds, James Joseph Hirsch, Fred'k Sawford Hooper, Fred'k John Hohing, Martin Hirsch, Benj. Bernard Hannak, Sam'l Howard Harris, David Chas. Harris, Louis Hoffman, LeRoy Frohlich Harris, Max Hammenchleg, Joseph Michael Igoe, Chas. Jacobs, Ralph Frank Klein, Benj. Franklin Klein, Abe Jonas Korsoski, Jacob Kulp, Jacob Kram, Kal. Kalish, Max Kahn, Walter Edward Kossack, Edwin Sanford Karns, Henry Kuh, Chas. Kasprowitz, Benjamin Koch, Benjamin Kulp, Max Kreger, Wm. Harry Lederer, Emil Oscar Lindow, George Henry Lesman, Ber-

tram Lehrberg, Lee Lazrus Livingston, Wm. Fred Leichfeld, Joseph G. Levy, Harry Julius Lefi, Benj. DeCasseres Mayer, Edmund Horn Miller, Henry Herman Morris, Maximilian Meinhardt, Robt. Joseph Millenger, Chas. H. Meyerling, Alexander Mooslin, George Bert Melten, Louis Mintz, Walter Dailey Morgan, Sydney Chas. Mott, Bertrand Hays Manheimer, Harold Marks, Wm. J. McKeen, Geo. Fred'k McKiernan, Mark Newman, Grover Cleveland Niemeyer, Wilhelm Carolius Olson, Daniel C. Obendorf, Philetus Irving Orme, Joseph Martina Omo, Adolph Gustaf Olson, Julius Wm. Persiehl, Morris Polin, Lyon Portis, Arnold Edgar Portis, Alfred Angelo Packer, Andrew L. Pedersen, John Wm. Palmer, Edgar Newman Pineus, Hiram Kennard Rightmire, Jacob Rothschild, Jacob Rosenthal, Edwin Rothschild, Morris Rochelle, Sophus Julius Samson, Ioa Strauss, Chas. Martin Stenerson, Sam'l Schoen, Wm. W. Scragg, Eugene Aaron Spitz, Albert Sloan, Jas. Eddington Stedman, Irving Clarence Spier, Maurice Adam Shenick, William Aulrey Stauffner, Dave Šimon, Alfred Wital Stern, Jerome Chas. Schwab, Leonard Simons, Lewis Lewis Sachs, Chas. Adolphos Stange, Oliver Thos. Shenick, Leon Sigman, Orville Heikman Tousey, Morgan Thomas, Eldon Lee Thrift, Max Tobias, Edwd. Ullmicher, Jos. Leonard Udem, Armand Joachim Unger, Henry Volmer, Adolph Vogel, John Vacca, Fred'k Arthur Van Arsdale, Edwd. Cornell Willette, Jno. Fred'k Wermuth, Wm. Benj. Winter, Richard Weil, Ben Wilensky, Daniel Webster, Arthur Low Weinschenk.

The record of this lodge has been well and concisely kept, and your committee recommend that a charter be granted as East Gate Lodge No. 923.

BANNER BLUE LODGE, U.D., Chicago, Illinois.

A dispensation for this lodge was issued April 22, 1910, by M.W. Bro. Albert B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted April 28, 1910, by R.W. Harry W. Harvey, D.D.G.M. of the First District.

The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	33
Number elected	27
Number rejected	1
Number not acted on	5
Number initiated	26
Number passed	24
Number raised	23
Number named in dispensation	77
Number named in dispensation not signing for charter	7
Number signing petition for charter	93

Whose names are as follows:

Francis A. Butler, Robert W. Starr, Frank E. Monville, Andrew M. Hunter, Frank N. Jordan, George B. Hicks, James Montgomery, F. W. Johnson, Walter D. Higgins, Oscar C. W. Sandberg, A. C. Chamberlain, Frank D. Golden, Hector W. Ballou, Gordon J. DuRand, Earl J. Howard, James Flaws, John Hermany, John J. Spearman, Louis O. Palmer, D. F. Gonware, George N. Saum, William G. Steiner, Ray E. Gribbens, Llewelyn R. Cantril, William H. McCart, B. Glendinning, Charles H. Zindel, Samuel S. Voris, Clark L. Durdy, George W. Tieman, William C. Hatch, John Hirlehey, John T. Eklom, Fred C. Englehardt, Oscar W. Tatro, Carl O. Sandberg, George H. Barrett, Henry F. Wardwell, Fred D. Green, Allan J. Mitchell, John Feast, Frank E. Rauch, Harry M. Johnson, Alfred Gunn, Edward A. Peterson, Archie W. Storms, Charles S. Branch, James R. Johnson, John M. Redebaugh, Robert J. Turnbull, Samuel G. Patchell, John J. Patchell, Alfred Hermany, Charles Strand, Robert B. Mitchell, John F. Shaul, Arthur F. McDonald, Adam S. Sternberg, John A. Filbert, Frank E. Jacob, Charles W. Jackson, Fred A. Auschwitz, Richard Wiley, George B. Harmer, Everette A. Lewman, August W. Deuter, Herbert W. Stevenson, Robert A. Fairman, Walter T. Pressel, Walter DeGroot Kast, Thomas Ross Gallant, William Ernest McConnell, Edward Robert Duffin, George Harry Ohlson, William John Pattison, Oscar Heerman, August George Tieman, Allen Parker Harris, James Coulter Harris, A. H. Lemessurier, Thomas Hugh Cameron, Hugh Gordon Comeron, Arthur Dellno Frazier, Thomas Dexter Pelton, Frank Orlando Phelps, Jesse Winfield Williams, Charles C. Clark, Stanley John Novatney, Archibald Taylor, Christopher Brandon, David Joseph O'Connell, Frank August Lemm, Frederick David Kenyon, Michael J. McNally.

The records of this lodge have been well kept, and no errors found whatever; we therefore recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Banner Blue Lodge No. 924.

MOLENA LODGE, U.D., Golden Gate, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued May 18, 1910, by M. W. Bro. Albert B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted June 28, 1910, by R.W. Bro. C. N. Hamilton, acting as the proxy of the Grand Master.

The work of this lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	5
Number elected	3
Number rejected	0
Number not acted on	2

Number initiated	3
Number passed	3
Number raised	3
Number named in dispensation	21
Number named in dispensation not signing for charter 0	
Number signing petition for charter	24

Whose names are as follows:

L. D. Leach, J. D. Leach, F. P. Leach, A. L. Leach, T. A. Leach, H. A. Taylor, G. L. Camp, C. A. French, W. J. Stallings, C. C. Cullison, J. J. Winters, G. W. Dasher, J. A. Crews, J. D. C. Day, G. A. McDonald, O. T. Hoffee, J. S. Stroup, U. D. Clark, C. C. Scott, J. H. Crews, O. G. Leach, A. J. Kimbrell, Elias Clark, A. F. Hunt.

The record of this lodge has been very well kept, and your committee recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Molenna Lodge No. 925.

VERITAS LODGE, U.D., Chicago, Illinois.

A dispensation for this lodge was issued July 11, 1910, by M.W. Bro. Albert B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted July 12, 1910, by R.W. Bro. Harry W. Harvey, D.D.G.M. of the First District.

The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	91
Number elected	22
Number rejected	7
Number not acted on	62
Number initiated	14
Number passed	12
Number raised	12
Number named in dispensation	46
Number named in dispensation, not signing petition for charter	2
Number signing petition for charter	56

Whose names are as follows:

William John Downey, Robert Tennyson, Derby, David Traill Drummond, Nels August Andreen, Wm. Osborn Holton, Robert Maisey, Alfred Gottlieb Lanio, John Charles Peebles, Lothar Moritz Schwarz, Enos Richardson Cross, David Rivers Steffey, Steven McCleary Walker, Theodore Eastman Gurney, William Otis Edgerton, Oscar Sylvenus Switzer, George William Riewald, Benjamin James Edwards, Clarence Carroll Komp, Gustave Crecker, Daniel Stein Swartz, Herman Henry Koerts, Frank Falk, Charles Fred Unrath, Jr., Herman Robert E.

Hacke, Robert Moser Unrath, Gilbert Wellington Twitchell, Otto William Louis Teichler, Alex Alexander Donald, Archibald Mungo Cameron, Herbert LeRoy Valentine, Alexander McLennan, James Franklin Monger, Chris Cordes, Jr., Robert John Schneider, Harvey B. Lutz Carl Gabel, John Jacob Pflock, Martin Wesley Snyder, Charles Frederick Unrath, John Simpson, J. T. H. Sims, Otto Henry Berz, Leo B. Lincoln, Samuel H. Jones, Walter Y. C. Hunt, William Martin Albrecht, Harry Bruno Gustafson, Frederick Nickel, Carl Herman Pratt, Louis Ambler, William Lawrence Wilson, Louis John Pollock, Frederick B. Clark, John Asmus Hansen, William Francis Knowles, William Charles Speidell.

The record of this lodge is very clear and complete and indicates that the work has been well done. Your committee recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Veritas Lodge No. 926.

CANDIDA LODGE, U. D. Chicago, Illinois.

A dispensation for this lodge was issued July 15, 1910, by M. W. Bro. Albert B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted July 18, 1910, by R.W. Edward W. Peterson, D.D.G.M. of the Sixth District.

The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	31
Number elected	16
Number rejected	0
Number not acted on	15
Number initiated	13
Number passed	8
Number raised	8
Number named in dispensation	31
Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter	2
Number signing petition for charter	36

Whose names are as follows:

Leigh Hunt Haire, Chester Hamlyn Briscoe, Edward Wines Leeper, John Collard Higgins, John McIntosh, Harry Weber, Edward A. Haire, George A. Conybear, Chas. Winship, Jr., Rolla R. Longe, R. Longencher, Birdsill E. Blanchard, John Pieske, Avon M. Sturrock, William C. Davis, Jos. Shelton Clarkson, Elton Clyde Armitage, James Gill, Herman C. Merker, Harold Elmer Brown, James Frank Carpenter, Neville Parker Mowatt, Gustave Louis Mussfeldt, Joel Ruggles Wilson, Almeron Field, Jr., Walter Ralph Snyder, Charles Maxamillan Fetten, Frank Jonah Pieske, Jr., John Hunter Smith, Orlando Aron Donnelly, Gilbert White, Alfred H. Aylesworth, Frank D. Sheets, Ernest Wray O'Neal, Owen G. Lewis, Sackett H. Verrall, E. K. Findlay.

The record indicates that the work of this lodge was properly done, and your committee recommends that a charter be granted to this lodge as Candida Lodge No. 927.

In conclusion I desire to say that after a period of service extending over a dozen years as a member of the Committee on Lodges Under Dispensation, it is with a commendable degree of pride and pleasure, that we can present to you today an almost clean slate. Many times when we have had to recommend the withholding of a charter, we have been discouraged, and felt, possibly, that we had set the standard too high, but after insisting on it for all these years, your committee is thoroughly of the opinion that there is no other right way. For example, we have presented for your consideration, today, the record of a lodge, whose work was so poorly done, and whose minutes were kept in such a loose and slipshod manner, that we recommended the withholding of a charter from them for two years in succession, but today, they come with a record without a single error. For many years it seemed that only a few of the U.D. lodges of Chicago could measure up to the standard set by your committee, but today, we are pleased to report that all the U.D. lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction are doing work of a very high order; and if we would maintain the respect and dignity of the world for this the greatest of all institutions, the brotherhood of men, we must exact of the craft, work of a high order.

H. C. MITCHELL,
JOHN JOHNSTON,
I. H. TODD,
J. W. HAMILTON,
S. S. CHANCE,

Committee.

ADDITIONAL REPORT—Committee on Jurisprudence.

M.W. Bro. Edward Cook, chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence, made the following additional report, which was, on motion, adopted.

To the M.W. Grand Lodge:

At the meeting of this Grand Lodge in October, 1909, certain questions discussed by the Grand Master in his address under the general head of "The Philadelphia Conference," were referred to the Jurisprudence Committee and this committee reported to the Grand Lodge asking that such matters be left with it to be reported by it to this session of the Grand Lodge

Such recommendations of the Grand Master in his address in 1900 relate to two subjects. First, as to the form of petition to be made a Mason or for membership in a lodge. The recommendations of the Philadelphia Conference and of our Grand Master in his address of last year touching this question are approved by this committee and an amendment covering those points was presented and duly seconded at the last annual communication of this Grand Lodge and is set forth in full on pages 84 and 85 of the proceedings of the last Grand Lodge. That amendment is now pending and will be considered at this session of this Grand Lodge and your committee recommends that the amendment so pending be adopted.

The other point going to this committee in the manner above indicated, relates to the question of perpetual jurisdiction over rejected material. Illinois has always claimed that the lodge rejecting has perpetual jurisdiction over the candidate so rejected but it was found by our former Grand Master as a result of his conference with other Grand Masters at Philadelphia, that our Illinois law, being out of harmony with most of our sister jurisdictions on that question, produces frequent embarrassment in our relations with such sister jurisdictions. It is also brought to the knowledge of your committee that at a conference of twenty-seven Grand Masters held in Baltimore in November, 1909, all of the recommendations of the Philadelphia Conference were endorsed by the unanimous vote of twenty-seven Grand Lodges of the United States so that the recommendation of our Grand Master of last year touching the question of perpetual jurisdiction has an added sanction and potency by reason of the unanimous endorsement of twenty-seven sovereign Grand Jurisdictions of the United States. An amendment limiting jurisdiction over rejected material to five years after such rejection as among the several states, was presented and seconded at the last session of this Grand Lodge and is now pending for consideration in this Grand Lodge. The amendment does not affect the question of perpetual jurisdiction as among the several lodges of this state. In order that our law touching the question of jurisdiction over rejected material in our relations with our sister jurisdictions may harmonize with the state of law found in most of such sister jurisdictions, your committee recommends that the amendment now pending in this Grand Lodge touching that question as published on page 85 of the proceedings of our Grand Lodge, be adopted.

Fraternally submitted,

EDWARD COOK,
A. H. BELL,
JOHN C. SMITH,
C. E. ALLEN,
WM. B. WRIGHT,
Committee.

AMENDMENT—Proposed.

M.W. Bro. Edward Cook, of the Committee on Jurisprudence, offered the following amendment to Art. 21, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws, and it being seconded by representatives of more than twenty lodges, lies over until next year.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge:

In compliance with your request, and in accordance with the report heretofore made, the following amendment to Grand Lodge By-Laws, as covering the recommendation of the M.W. Grand Master in his report, is submitted:

To Article 21, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws, add: From and after the date of the adoption hereof, any brother holding a dimit for one year, without applying for membership in some lodge, shall not, thereafter, be entitled to any of the rights and privileges of Masonry; provided, that the holder of a dimit may at any time, even after the expiration of such term of one year, petition for affiliation, and if rejected shall be considered as in good standing in the fraternity for one year from the date of his last rejection, and no longer.

AMENDMENT—Proposed.

M.W. Bro. Edward Cook offered the following amendment to Grand Lodge By-Laws, and it being seconded by representatives of more than twenty lodges, lies over until next year.

Amend Grand Lodge By-Laws, by adding to Clause 12, Section 1, Article 6, Part 1, Grand Lodge By-Laws, the following:

"He shall include in his annual report to the Grand Lodge the result of the vote of the constituent lodges, showing the number of each lodge voting in the affirmative and also of each voting in the negative, and this information shall be printed in the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge."

The clause when so amended will read as follows:

12. "To embody in a circular all propositions to amend the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, or any other matter upon which it is necessary for the several lodges to act, and transmit the same, with necessary instructions, to each lodge in time for action. He shall in-

clude in his annual report to the Grand Lodge the result of the vote of the constituent lodges, showing the number of each lodge voting in the affirmative and also of each voting in the negative, and this information shall be printed in the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge."

REPORT—Committee on Finance.

R.W. Bro. S. O. Spring, chairman of the Committee on Finance, presented the report of this committee.

On motion it was adopted.

To the M.W. Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M. of the State of Illinois:

Your Finance Committee fraternally reports that it has examined the books and accounts of the R.W. Grand Secretary and R.W. Grand Treasurer and find the same to have been kept in a systematic, accurate and comprehensive manner; that all moneys due the M.W. Grand Lodge have been received, properly entered of record and duly paid over to the R.W. Grand Treasurer as provided by law; that the R.W. Grand Treasurer has fully accounted for all the funds and property for which he is responsible; that the reports submitted to this Annual Communication of the M.W. Grand Lodge by these officers respectively are a true exhibit of their official transactions during the past year; that the cash balances as reported are on deposit in the State Bank of Chicago, and the securities as reported have been inspected and found to be in conformity with the report of the R.W. Grand Treasurer in every particular.

Your Committee desires again to express their approval of the manner in which the duties of the R.W. Grand Treasurer and the R.W. Grand Secretary have been performed and the perfect condition in which their books and accounts are kept, as well as their management of the funds and property of the Grand Lodge during the past year.

A synopsis of the financial condition of the M.W. Grand Lodge is shown by the following condensed exhibit taken from the report of the R.W. Grand Treasurer:

GENERAL FUND.

Cash Balance on hand Oct. 8, 1909	\$ 53,597.44
Cash received from the R.W. Grand Secretary.....	59,449.03
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Total	\$113,046.47

Credit:

By paid mileage and per diem orders:

Officers and Committees	\$ 3,479.20	
Representatives	16,578.50	
Miscellaneous orders	23,645.67	
Grand Officers' salaries	4,900.00	
Cash Balance—General fund	64,443.10	\$113,046.47

CHARITY FUND.

Balance on hand Oct. 8, 1909	\$ 31,508.77
Cash received from the R.W. Grand Secretary	47,366.78
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Total	\$ 78,875.55

CREDIT.

By orders paid since last report	\$41,012.66
By balance to credit Charity Fund	37,862.89
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	\$ 78,875.55

ORPHAN'S HOME FUND.

Balance on hand Oct, 8, 1909	\$ 22,308.23
Cash received from the R.W. Grand Secretary	42,202.11
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Total	\$ 64,510.34

CREDIT.

By orders paid since last report	\$60,000.00
Balance to credit Orphans Home Fund.....	4,510.34
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	\$ 64,510.34

HOME FOR AGED FUND.

Balance on hand Oct. 8, 1909	\$ 1,151.62
Cash received from R.W. Grand Secretary	410.00
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Total	\$ 1,561.62
No vouchers paid since last report.	
Balance to Credit Home for Aged Fund	\$ 1,561.62

MASONIC HOME FUND.

Balance on hand Oct. 8, 1910	\$ 265.20
No vouchers paid since last report.	
Balance to credit Masonic Home Fund	\$ 265.20
Your Committee find the par value of investment securities in the several funds to be as follows:	
Charity fund	\$ 800.00
Orphans' Home Fund	47,500.00
Home for Aged Fund	8,000.00
	\$ 56,300.00
Total	\$ 56,300.00

SUMMARY.

Bonds and Securities on hand all funds	\$ 56,300.00
Cash on hand all funds	108,643.15
	\$164,943.15
Total	\$164,943.15

Your Committee recommends that appropriations be made from the Charity Fund as follows:

For the maintenance and support during the ensuing year of the Masonic Orphans' Home at La Grange, the sum of Fourteen Thousand Dollars (\$14,000), and for the Masonic Home at Sullivan, Twenty Four Thousand Dollars (\$24,000) to be paid as follows: One half of the above appropriation to the Board of Trustees on October 15, 1910; one fourth on April 15, 1911, and the remaining one fourth on July 15, 1911. All unexpended balances to be covered into the Grand Lodge Treasury.

We also recommend additional appropriations as follows, to be paid from the General Fund, the Home for the Aged, and the Masonic Home Fund:

Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan:

For Gas, Plant and Regulator	\$ 600.00
For Refrigerator Plant	1000.00

to be paid as needed for the payment of the bills incurred in the prosecution of the work.

Masonic Orphans' Home for the completion of the building now under construction, \$25,000, to be paid in two installments of \$12,500 each on December 1, 1910, and January 1, 1911. Also

For improvements of grounds	\$2,500.00
For electric light fixtures	1,500.00

For water softener plant	1,400.00
For power laundry plant	1,600.00
For furniture and household equipment	4,000.00

The above appropriations to be paid to the Board of Trustees at such times and in such amounts as are needed for the payment of bills incurred in the installation of the improvements.

Your Committee also recommend that the Board of Trustees be authorized to expend the income (or so much thereof as may be necessary) from the farm at Sullivan from time to time during the ensuing year for the permanent improvement and betterment of the farm property. Report of such expenditures to be made at the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.

Your committee further recommends that appropriations be made from the General Fund to defray the proper expenses of the M.W. Grand Lodge for the ensuing year; to-wit:

For mileage and per diem of Officers, Representatives and Committees	\$20,000.00
For printing and distributing proceedings	3,200.00
For miscellaneous printing	1,000.00
For salaries of Grand Officers	6,000.00
For schools of Instruction	1,200.00
For miscellaneous expenses	5,600.00
Total	\$36,000.00

Your Committee further recommends that orders be drawn upon the General Fund for the following expenses, to-wit:

Bro. Owen Scott, Committee on Correspondence	\$ 500 00
Bro. A. B. Ashley, clerk and stenographic services	1000 00
Bro. C. S. Gurney, services as Grand Tyler	100 00
Bro. C. S. Gurney, sundry expenses	114 37
Bro. Z. T. Griffin, stenographic services	50 00
Bro. Geo. A. Stadler, Deputy Grand Secretary	25 00
Medinah Temple Association rent	300 00
Mrs. Julia Robbins, for services of P.G. Master Joseph Robbins, now deceased, Committee on Correspondence	500 00

Your Committee further submits the following recommendations to-wit:

1st. That the members of the several Committees in attendance upon this Annual Communication be allowed and paid \$3.00 per day for each day's service rendered, in addition to the compensation provided by the by-laws.

2nd. That your Committee be authorized to destroy the paid orders during the past year upon the R.W. Grand Treasurer, same having been properly accounted for in issue and payment.

Fraternally submitted,

S. O. SPRING,
T. A. STEVENS,
Committee.

RESOLUTION.

M.W..Bro. Geo. M. Moulton presented the following resolution.

It was adopted.

Resolved, That the M.W. Grand Master be authorized and empowered to take such necessary and requisite steps during the recess of the M.W. Grand Lodge to accomplish such desired amendments to its charter from the State of Illinois as may be recommended by the special committee constituted to advise the M.W. Grand Lodge in this regard, and which shall receive the approval of the Committee on Jurisprudence.

REPORT—Railroad Committee.

Bro. O. E. Tandy presented the report of the Railroad Committee.

The report was adopted.

CHICAGO, ILL., October 12, 1910.

To the M.W. Grand Lodge, A.F. and A. Masons, of Illinois:

Brethren:—Your Committee on Railroads and Transportation respectfully report that they made formal application to both the Western and Central Passenger Associations for reduced fares in favor of the brethren attending this session of the M.W. Grand Lodge.

We were advised by Mr. Eben E. MacLeod, chairman of the Western Passenger Association, as follows:

“Referring to your application for reduced fares account above named occasion. This question was given careful consideration at meeting of this Association held on the 7th instant, resulting in the undersigned being requested to advise you on behalf of the individual lines interested that it is impracticable to arrange for any reduction from the two-cent fares now in effect in Illinois. Regretting our inability to advise you of favorable action, we remain,”

And by Mr. F. C. Donald, commissioner of the Central Passenger Association, as follows:

"Referring to your application for excursion fares for above occasion, I beg to advise that the matter having been presented to a meeting of lines identified with the Central Passenger Association, convened on 14th instant, it was decided, after careful consideration, that they could not, in view of legislative action establishing a maximum passenger fare of two cents per mile in the states in which they operate, consistently grant the concessions requested for your approaching convention, and which it has heretofore been their pleasure to accord organizations similar to your own for their annual gatherings."

Your committee were informed that it was still the practice of the roads to grant reduced rates where 1,000 receipts for fares paid, of not less than \$1 each, were presented for validation. Your committee could not, however, in view of the attendance by rail in the year 1905 and 1906, guarantee that more than 650 would be eligible under this provision. Your committee are satisfied that no reduced rates have been accorded other organizations under similar circumstances and that we have not been discriminated against in this respect.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

J. O. CLIFFORD,

O. E. TANDY,

Committee.

AMENDMENTS—Adopted.

M.W. Bro. Alexander H. Bell called up amendments to Section 2, Art. 5, Part I and Section 3, Art. 6, Part I, Grand Lodge By-Laws, proposed last year, and moved their adoption.

The sections as amended read as follows:

Section 2. The Grand Treasurer shall execute and file with the Grand Master, before his installation, an official bond, in such penal sum as may be prescribed by the Grand Lodge, with personal security to be approved by the Grand Master, conditioned that he will faithfully discharge the duties of his office as prescribed in these by-laws, and at the end of his term, or sooner, if lawfully required so to do, pay over and transfer to his successor in office all funds, securities, books, records, vouchers, or property belonging to the Grand Lodge, which shall have come into his keeping.

Section 3. He shall execute and file with the Grand Master, before his installation, an official bond in such penal sum as may be prescribed

by the Grand Lodge, with such personal security as shall be approved by the Grand Master, conditioned that he will faithfully discharge the duties of his office as prescribed by these by-laws.

Both of the amendments were adopted.

M.W. Bro. A. H. Bell moved that the bonds of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary be fixed at \$30,000 each. Carried.

M.W. Bro. Owen Scott offered a resolution that a committee be appointed to prepare a suitable bond for the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary. The resolution was adopted.

The minutes of this session were read and approved.

CALLED OFF.

At 1:30 p. m. the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 9 o'clock Thursday morning.

THIRD DAY.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13, A. D. 1910, A. L. 5910. }
9 O'CLOCK A. M. }

The M.W. Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor by the M.W. Grand Master at 9 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. G. Wright, of Greenville, Ill.

REPORT—Committee on Credentials.

Bro. Geo. W. Cyrus presented the report of the Committee on Credentials.

It was adopted.

To the M.W. Grand Lodge of Illinois, A.F. and A.M.:

Your Committee on Credentials fraternally report that the following brethren whose names appear in this report are present and entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge:

Bro. A. B. ASHLEY	<i>M.W. Grand Master</i>
Bro. DELMAR D. DARRAH	<i>R.W. Deputy Grand Master</i>
Bro. HENRY THOMPSON BURNAP	<i>R.W. Senior Grand Warden</i>
Bro. RALPH H. WHEELER	<i>R.W. Junior Grand Warden</i>
Bro. LEROY A. GODDARD	<i>R.W. Grand Treasurer</i>
Bro. ISAAC CUTTER	<i>R.W. Grand Secretary</i>
Bro. J. WEBSTER BAILEY	<i>R.W. Grand Chaplain</i>
Bro. FRANK G. SMITH	<i>R.W. Grand Orator</i>
Bro. GEORGE A. STADLER	<i>W. Deputy Grand Secretary</i>
Bro. N. J. CARY	<i>W. Grand Pursuivant</i>
Bro. ALBERT M. WEST	<i>W. Grand Marshal</i>
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Bro. C. S. GURNEY	<i>Bro. Grand Tyler</i>

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Bro. CHARLES FISHER *Past Deputy Grand Master*

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318	John A. Meade	391	G. C. Dillavon
319	H. S. Ransom		W. H. Bash J. W.
320	Jos. W. Shaw*	392	J. W. Heckethorn W. M.
321	H. J. Ludens	393	Frederick W. Nash
322	Hugh S. Lilly		Carl Thummay S. W.
323	Tom Jones J. W.	394	Harry T. Daniels W. M.
325	Geo. M. McKittrick W. M.	396	Frank Hackley
327	O. E. Kinkade S. W.	397	Albert Krause
330	A. R. Keeler W. M.	398	A. M. Allen
331	Jerry Brinken	399	T. A. Zink
332	C. A. Hawkins	401	A. W. Joerndt
333	Fritz Reigen	402	F. W. Stark
334	Geo. R. Stout*	403	August F. Johnson
335	Bruno Juergens	404	C. R. Briggs*
336	T. M. Harris	405	M. V. Carter
337	Chas. V. Conyus*	406	Geo. W. Wilmers
339	Henry Terry	408	W. E. Gasway J. W.
340	J. M. Wiswell	409	Chas. P. Thompson W. M.
	B. P. Windsor S. W.		John A. Sizer S. W.
341	Bird Crull		Walter H. Work J. W.
342	Chas. T. Lang W. M.	410	Chas. Oestreich W. M.
344	Chas. H. Huwald		Chas. Laner S. W.
345	J. C. Eastabrooks		Max Nellert J. W.
347	John E. Raymond	411	W. T. Graves S. W.
348	Wm. E. McClure	412	Geo. W. Perkins W. M.
349	Almer F. Jewell	414	C. O. R. Stabeck
350	B. L. Ten Eyck	415	Grant Burdick
	L. B. Travers J. W.	416	E. A. Gardner
351	Lewis S. Henderson W. M.	418	Chris Heiligenstein

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NO.	NAMES.	NO.	NAMES.
419	W. J. Forn W. M.	482	R. L. Heydacker* W. M.
420	Frank Lundstrom	484	Wm. J. Paulk
	L. Fischer* J. W.	485	Alexander S. Jessup
421	Fred C. Barnes W. M.	486	W. F. Hughes
422	J. L. Albright* S. W.	487	Frank H. Pease
423	Edwin M. Tallman* W. M.	488	C. W. Toliver
424	Norman Campbell	489	W. R. Hall
426	A. M. Bull S. W.	490	Harvey C. Good*
427	John J. Fox W. M.	491	R. H. Heller
428	D. M. Baird		John Korsten J. W.
	R. O. Leitch J. W.	492	Thomas Corlett W. M.
429	Jno. Burrill W. M.		Chas. H. Kaiser* S. W.
430	Lee F. Norton	493	Edmund S. McLean W. M.
431	Burt Fyke*	495	John A. Whiteaker
432	C. C. Self	496	H. L. Burford
	J. F. Self* J. W.		R. H. Kurnow S. W.
433	H. E. Whitted S. W.	497	J. M. Hall W. M.
434	J. G. Jenkins W. M.	498	J. R. Hathaway S. W.
436	B. B. Huntley	500	Henry G. Benzel W. M.
437	Rudolph H. Wollmer	501	Abel H. White
	Max Levy S. W.	502	Wm. O. Quayle
	Henry Friedman J. W.	503	F. H. Robinson
440	Fred Ebel W. M.		Chas. E. Sloan S. W.
441	T. VanAntwerp	504	C. M. Musgrave W. M.
442	W. W. Bruce	505	Calvin E. Oakes S. W.
443	Ed. T. Croeck	506	N. S. Pearce W. M.
444	C. A. Okerson	508	Lewis Johnson
445	Everett Perrings		Edwin K. Bennington S. W.
	W. J. Finch S. W.		Robert C. Cantelon J. W.
446	James O. Bailey W. M.	509	F. M. Rash W. M.
447	Chas. B. Shank J. W.	510	J. A. Hindman
448	O. B. West W. M.	512	W. N. Washburn
449	Chas. H. Nutt	514	Eibert H. Phenix
450	C. S. Park S. W.	516	John F. Maberry
451	John M. Holmes W. M.	517	F. C. Blackwelder J. W.
453	W. J. Cunningham	518	J. F. Tyler W. M.
454	Arthur V. Bowden	519	Charles Carr
455	C. E. Padgett	520	R. A. Carlile
456	Geo. H. Webster	521	Aloin Paul Bickenback
458	Geo. W. Erwin	522	Philip S. Sawtelle*
460	T. Charlie Hamilton	523	John Willard Hederick*
461	R. M. Taylor	524	Fred B. Merrell
462	R. L. Smith		Asabel W. Gage S. W.
463	C. E. Wheeler	525	Thomas F. Hale W. M.
464	Frank M. Harter	526	Berkeley Brandt S. W.
465	John Melvin	527	J. S. Christman W. M.
466	H. D. Lawrence	528	W. H. Randall*
	G. W. Reich J. W.	529	I. M. Larimore
467	Walter Baird S. W.	531	Sam'l T. Zeller, Jr. S. W.
468	T. W. Nixon W. M.	532	Chas. J. Eberhart W. M.
469	Geo. W. Morrell	533	Fred Wanner
	S. B. Van Nese S. W.	534	F. Palin S. W.
470	Nate Reid W. M.	535	G. H. Wayne* W. M.
471	P. O. Hoadley*	536	A. E. Wottinger
472	C. A. Dayton	537	James Thomson Wise J. W.
	E. L. Norris S. W.	539	D. W. Hitch W. M.
473	Chas. E. Nelsson	541	Ralph C. Voris W. M.
474	Geo. B. Schoening W. M.	542	Benjamin F. Dotson
475	John W. Towell		Wm. Leistman J. W.
476	J. A. McComas	543	W. H. Moody W. M.
477	Frank Trs J. W.	544	R. H. Mann
478	Chas. R. Young W. M.	547	S. G. Hutchinson
	Frank E. Hodek J. W.	550	Chas. Mills*
479	Geo. E. Scott W. M.	552	M. Dawson S. W.
481	Wm. Lyne S. W.		

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NO.	NAMES.	NO.	NAMES.
554	A. M. Smith W. M.	633	Frank A. Carson* W. M.
555	Oscar Formhals "	634	Elwin Hull "
556	Henry S. Wiley "	635	J. E. Coe "
557	Henry W. Huffman "	636	Harry C. Riser "
	Adolph Steidl S. W.		Edward C. Younker* S. W.
	Ernest Trassburger J. W.	639	George Schal W. M.
559	Roy I. Houghton W. M.	641	W. A. Horrom "
560	Oscar Latowsky "	642	Charles A. Stephenson "
562	H. C. Parlser "		Henry I. Roscnbaum S. W.
	R. C. Moore* J. W.		Will I. Smith J. W.
564	W. G. Tyler W. M.	643	Nicholas Heinsen W. M.
565	Samuel Kelly S. W.		H. C. Pearl S. W.
566	B. F. Phillips W. M.		Albert Bietz J. W.
567	A. J. Dorris "	644	D. F. Heck* W. M.
569	C. E. Bagby "	645	Paul G. Fryer* "
570	P. V. Coover "	646	D. H. Knight J. W.
572	Frank Bethel "	647	H. T. Gardner W. M.
574	R. W. Cole, Sr. S. W.	648	Arthur Vaughan* "
576	A. B. Gordon W. M.	651	A. J. Quirk "
577	Grove Harrison "	653	C. H. Derry "
	Arthur Jones* J. W.	655	P. A. McMillan "
578	C. B. Hyett W. M.	656	Henry Quosick "
580	Peter Peterson "	657	J. T. Evans "
581	J. H. Eddleman "	658	William Payne "
582	A. N. Williams "	659	Henry Charles Brahn "
	Lee J. Karr* J. W.	660	R. P. Evers "
583	Louis J. Appel W. M.	662	Chester R. Jardine "
584	W. E. Bowles "		T. H. Hewitt* S. W.
585	W. A. Sadler "		F. S. Hewitt* J. W.
587	Eugene Moran "	664	James A. McCorkle W. M.
	John M. Ferrell* J. W.	665	Isaac G. Phillips* "
588	James Rawson S. W.	666	Bert C. Fawley "
590	R. T. Barton W. M.	667	S. A. Eddy "
591	G. L. Harris "	668	Ed. R. Martin "
592	Chas. W. Brown "	669	Chas. Vietzen "
595	T. Warner Wilson "		Henry Lupke S. W.
600	John W. Vent "		Max Vokreiber J. W.
601	Jas. W. McClur "	670	S. B. Evans W. M.
602	A. Smith J. W.	672	John S. Barger "
603	Chas. A. Fasig S. W.	673	Renben G. Bright "
604	R. C. Woodrich W. M.	674	Gustav Baumgartner "
608	C. A. McClain "		Chas. Thetard S. W.
	E. B. Funk* J. W.		Geo. Wetzel J. W.
609	W. A. Ward W. M.	675	Melvin Fernderbunk W. M.
610	Roger L. Avery S. W.	676	H. J. Walter "
	John Arthur Bindell J. W.		Fred R. Moore J. W.
611	Chas. H. Parkes W. M.	677	Chas. W. McCurdy W. M.
	Otto F. Harnes S. W.	679	Jos. Ryan* "
	John M. Bryant J. W.	680	O. W. Jacobson "
612	W. J. Burleigh W. M.	681	Geo. M. Wilson "
613	George H. Pope* "	682	H. A. Flock "
	J. H. Bass* S. W.	683	F. S. Jackson "
614	L. Bullard* W. M.	684	Otis Stone "
616	J. R. Jones "	685	E. J. Lye "
	Wm. Fairlen J. W.	686	Frank Brancan "
617	G. C. James W. M.		Chas. Workman S. W.
618	James B. Elder S. W.		Harry C. Stiles J. W.
620	James Snyder W. M.	687	M. W. Gouse W. M.
622	B. H. Schulte* "	688	Peter Wright* "
623	Wm. Crawford "	690	C. A. Hinsey "
627	A. H. Brooks "		B. W. Place S. W.
630	John W. McChcc "		Thos. McKeague J. W.
631	W. R. Watts "	691	Eli Patrick W. M.
632	C. M. HarraId "	692	J. E. McDavid "

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693	Edwin Dangerfield W. M.		W. W. M. Bending* ... S. W.
695	L. W. Dudenbastel "		Victor B. Clevenger J. W.
696	Isaac D. Hampton "	768	W. H. Mooney W. M.
697	John P. Zingelman "		Geo. W. Van Bemer ... S. W.
698	Clayton W. McMorris .. "	769	Jos. R. Morrison W. M.
700	W. H. Dorana "	770	H. M. Pepper "
701	Ernest E. Green* "		D. R. Eddy S. W.
702	C. W. Postlewait* W. M.		E. S. Detweiler J. W.
705	D. Y. Fitzgerald "	771	E. V. Nelson W. M.
706	G. N. Mason "	772	John M. Howerton "
709	S. A. D. Harry "	773	Eugene Young S. W.
710	John N. Kendall "	774	Albert H. Fry W. M.
711	Henry Dinse "		Albert P. Bauer S. W.
712	W. C. Hadley* "		John C. Kuck J. W.
713	W. M. Alvis "	776	Geo. F. Barton* W. M.
714	D. M. Fowler "		Geo. F. Barton* S. W.
715	Hiram Ingersoll "		Geo. F. Barton J. W.
716	C. S. VanAntarrp "	777	J. B. Irwin W. M.
717	Jos. T. Menaik "		C. R. Casler S. W.
	H. T. G. Hancock S. W.		H. E. Black J. W.
718	Ira Shain W. M.	778	Chas. W. Murrie W. M.
719	I. N. Lentz* "	779	Herbert E. Richards ... "
721	J. R. Walker "		W. M. Wilkinson J. W.
722	O. Baechler "	780	Orville H. Travis W. M.
723	H. P. Blackard "		R. C. Robinson S. W.
724	J. W. Lynn* "		Frank Wheat J. W.
725	Clinton Rice "	782	H. M. Luckey W. M.
726	John Warrington "	783	Martin G. Seifert "
727	J. E. Wells* "		Edw. Weber S. W.
728	W. T. Wiltberger "		H. Bockmann J. W.
729	M. Ozment "	784	Thomas Weston W. M.
730	E. M. Bramlet "	786	Geo. C. Fetter "
731	Adolph C. Bell "	787	A. J. Koenigsmark "
	Chas. Watson S. W.	788	W. H. Williams "
	Robt. S. Laidlaw J. W.	789	Clyde E. Tallman "
732	A. C. Babcock W. M.		Jos. W. Taylor S. W.
733	Adolph O. Poff S. W.	790	W. A. Reed* W. M.
734	R. L. Mutton W. M.	791	Harry Allen "
	A. L. Owings S. W.	792	John T. Linkogle "
737	H. M. Scott W. M.	793	C. N. Hoeg "
738	Dr. C. F. Ross* "	794	L. A. Karber "
739	Hugh A. Howison "	795	Louis A. Lang "
741	Lester Bolinger "		J. E. Widmer S. W.
742	Hugh H. Stephenson .. "	796	W. A. Jolley W. M.
743	Elmer Wheeler J. W.	797	Frank M. Hallenbeck .. "
744	L. G. Payne W. M.		Chas. R. Fuller S. W.
745	H. J. Waterstreet "		Arthur N. Evans J. W.
746	H. T. Lurgart "	798	A. W. Oliver "
747	W. H. Rickey "	799	Harry A. Arnold W. M.
748	W. M. Chambers "	800	Isaac N. Powell "
749	J. J. Bundy "		A. M. Brosnihan S. W.
750	P. C. Riley "		Chas. S. Barker J. W.
751	A. Weichett "	801	Paul T. Condit S. W.
752	Ranson Higinis J. W.	802	W. B. Mitlet W. M.
754	Walter V. Cooper S. W.	803	Charles L. Higgins J. W.
755	S. S. Johnston W. M.	804	James McLeod W. M.
756	Leonard Houston "		John A. Cook J. W.
757	M. A. Stitt "	805	J. W. McIntyre W. M.
758	B. A. Whitcomb* "	806	R. Wall "
759	A. G. Scudamore "	807	M. A. Cullins S. W.
761	Edgar T. Johnston "	808	J. T. Irving W. M.
763	W. R. Trowbridge* "	809	Daniel R. Elam "
764	A. E. Eden "	810	Howard S. Simpson ... "
766	James Little "		Geo. W. Cummings S. W.
767	J. B. Condit "		

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	Fred E. Reynold J. W.		M. O. Johnson J. W.
811	Geo. T. Harsch* W. M.	856	Chas L. Wood W. M.
812	J. H. Wood	857	Robt. F. Riddle*
813	Chas. J. Femseloro	858	J. F. Blakeslee
	John Michle, Jr. S. W.	859	M. J. Tyson*
	J. C. Grootzinger* J. W.	860	H. F. Wackendorf S. W.
814	Frank F. Anderson W. M.		J. C. Jones
815	W. H. Twiney	861	N. J. Bollenbaugh W. M.
	W. J. Bryan	862	Wm. L. Shepard, Jr.
816	S. M. Combs		Frank A. Faull
817	John L. Whiteside		R. C. Dyenforth
818	Wm. T. Heinemann	863	A. Davis*
	E. G. Hessemer		James McClintock*
	L. B. Olson		M. G. Widdaugh
819	Chas. H. Roth	864	G. A. Goetsch
	Jeremiah Jaynes		Fred J. Lindsay
320	Charles T. McLean W. M.		J. H. Chaney
821	C. L. Hopkins	865	Chas. H. Crowell W. M.
822	W. T. Laughlin		Addison Hickox
823	M. W. Hooker		Edgar Zimmerman
824	W. H. Shaffer	866	Walter S. Rothrock* W. M.
825	Chas. D. Robinson* W. M.	867	Thos. F. Shultz
826	J. F. Gardner	868	H. R. Dicken
827	Frank B. Huber	869	L. E. Binch*
829	John W. Bott		J. H. Hough*
830	B. B. Horton	870	Wm. Schoemeshorfer ... W. M.
831	Clarence A. Tucker	871	Harry Parr
832	John Van Deursen	872	C. F. Stanner
	H. P. Bennett*		Janas H. Sailor
	Patrick B. Harwood J. W.	873	C. A. Suse
833	John Bennett		J. H. Boyd
834	William L. Smith		D. A. Smalley
835	Eugene M. Porter	874	J. B. Johnston
836	R. Moe	875	Edward Beceroft W. M.
837	W. C. Watson		Edgar N. Walker
838	L. D. Armstrong		Chas. Cunnard
839	C. W. Ostrander*	876	Martin C. Olson
840	J. Arthur Gates*	877	William Harris
841	H. D. Jackson	878	B. W. Dean
	I. F. Holder		Wm. F. L. Schwenk S. W.
	J. K. Lambert		Rasmus Hanscn
842	Everett W. Stuecking ... W. M.	880	Oto Drews
	E. R. Williams		John Smyth, Jr.
	Gail S. Hamilton		H. C. Dyckman
843	Albert J. Carr		W. C. Stewart
	R. H. Mather	882	Chas. H. Moss
	S. J. Thurber	883	Philip Mason
845	E. A. Silfes	884	Edgar N. Six*
846	H. D. Kilpatrick	885	G. L. Kennedy
847	Geo. T. Chant*		M. R. Jones
848	F. L. Miller		Isaac Botkin
849	John M. Foreman		Carl Lorenzen
850	H. E. Marlow	886	Miles E. Bundy
	L. C. Stallwood	887	W. R. Goodheart
851	Robt. B. Lawton		S. M. Fitch
852	W. C. Walkins*		R. A. Anderson
853	John W. Gray*	889	Harry Gronert
854	James Maclaughlan*		W. J. Wiedeman
	Thomas Rankin*	890	Philip Almon Parsons ... W. M.
855	B. T. Hemihea	893	J. O. Wade
	Geo. B. Hanson		

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NO.	NAMES.	NO.	NAMES.
894	Benj. BreschW. M.	906	John H. GriggW. M.
	Monroe E. Walter S. W.	907	David Gershin "
	W. E. Sumner J. W.		Leo Michael J. W.
895	David S. Davidson .....W. M.	908	Omer Lee Banks .....W. M.
896	Fred A. Frosch "	909	S. A. DeLue S. W.
897	John Watterson* "	910	Geo. W. Lawrence .....W. M.
	Nicholas Sweig S. W.	911	Joseph M. Jordan "
	J. S. Bluckway, Jr. J. W.	912	John Gillespie "
898	A. C. Hansen .....W. M.	913	A. L. Denman "
899	W. H. Horton S. W.		H. M. Kyle S. W.
900	Evan P. Jones .....W. M.		Harry L. Lathe* J. W.
	H. E. Henderson S. W.	914	Frederick A. Brown .....W. M.
	Lewis V. Gustin J. W.		P. A. Macfarlane S. W.
901	Jacob A. Freund .....W. M.		O. C. Haywood J. W.
	Roy S. Bates S. W.	915	W. E. Brickman .....W. M.
	Chas. J. Weishoff J. W.		J. F. Brown J. W.
902	James M. Durm .....W. M.	916	James B. Child .....W. M.
903	Logan Barber "		Oliver Stangland S. W.
904	E. E. Farmer "		William F. Ulrich J. W.
905	Thos. D. Shipton "	917	R. C. ClarkW. M.

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RECAPITULATION.

Grand Officers	19
Past Grand Officers not otherwise enumerated.....	1
District Deputy Grand Masters.....	50
Members of Committees	52
Representatives of Lodges	928
Number of Lodges represented.....	752

 Total1050

All of which is fraternally submitted.

GEO. W. CYRUS,
N. B. CARSON,
J. N. SPICER,

Committee.

REPORT—Mileage and Per Diem.

Bro. W. F. Beck, chairman of the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem, presented the report of that Committee.

On motion it was adopted.

To the M.W. Grand Lodge of the State of Illinois, A.F. and A. Masons:

Your Committee on Mileage and Per Diem would fraternally report that the following Grand Officers, Members of Committees, and Repre-

sentatives, members of this Grand Lodge, are entitled to Mileage and Per Diem as set forth in the following pages.

GRAND OFFICERS.

NAMES.	OFFICE.	Miles.....	Mileage....	Per Diem.	Total.....
A. B. Ashley	M. W. Grand Master.....		⁷⁶	⁶	
Delmar D. Darrah.....	R. W. Dep. Gr. Master.....				
Henry T. Burnap.....	R. W. Sr. Gr. Warden.....	259	85 90	6	31 90
Ralph H. Wheeler.....	R. W. Jr. Gr. Warden.....	4	40	6	6 40
Leroy A. Goddard.....	R. W. Gr. Treasurer.....				
Isaac Cutter.....	R. W. Gr. Secretary.....	241	24 10		24 10
Rev. J. W. Bailey.....	R. W. Gr. Chaplain.....	84	8 40	6	14 40
Rev. Frank G. Smith.....	R. W. Grand Orator.....	10	1 00	4	5 10
Geo. A. Stadler.....	W. Dep. Gr. Sec'y.....	173	17 30	6	23 30
N. J. Cary.....	W. Gr. Pursuivant.....	94	9 40	6	15 40
A. W. West.....	W. Grand Marshal.....	173	17 30	6	23 30
James John.....	W. Gr. Stand. Bearer.....	1	10	6	
Robt. Fletcher.....	W. Gr. Sword Bearer.....				
T. E. Gillespie.....	W. Sr. Gr. Deacon.....	340	34 00	6	40 00
W. H. Peak.....	W. Jr. Gr. Deacon.....	330	33 00	6	39 00
G. W. Hamilton.....	W. Grand Steward.....	186	18 60	6	24 60
H. S. Albin.....	W. Grand Steward.....	6	60	6	6 60
Chas. F. Tenney.....	W. Grand Steward.....	153	15 30	6	21 30
Jas. L. Scott.....	W. Grand Steward.....	172	17 20	6	23 20
C. S. Gurney.....	Bro. Grand Tyler.....	5	50	6	6 50
Chas. H. Fisher.....	P. D. G. Master.....	185	18 50	6	24 50

R. W. DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

NAMES.	DISTRICTS.	Miles.....	Mileage....	Per Diem.	Total.....
W. H. Harvey.....	1st District.	7	⁷⁰	⁶	⁶ 70
Robt. R. Jamopolis.....	2d "	7	70	6	6 70
Albert Roullier.....	3d "	1	10	6	6 10
D. D. King.....	4th "	1	10	6	6 10
Wm. H. Bied.....	5th "	8	80	6	6 80
E. W. Peterson.....	6th "	4	40	6	6 40
Hiram Vanderbilt.....	7th "	14	1 40	6	7 40
Jay L. Brewster.....	8th "	38	3 80	6	9 80
James M. Huff.....	9th "	78	7 80	6	13 80
J. W. Oliver.....	10th "	144	14 40	6	20 40
D. A. Cottlow.....	11th "	99	9 90	6	15 90
J. H. Griffiths.....	12th "	21	2 10	6	8 10
W. C. Stilson.....	13th "	124	12 40	6	18 40
Milton T. Booth.....	14th "	152	15 20	6	21 20
Francis H. Bradley.....	15th "	111	11 10	6	17 10
J. M. Hannum.....	16th "	113	11 30	6	17 30
Jno. B. Fithian.....	17th "	37	3 70	6	9 70
N. T. Stevens.....	18th "	69	6 90	6	12 90
L. E. Rockwood.....	19th "	110	11 00	6	17 00
John C. Weis.....	20th "	150	15 00	6	21 00
C. T. Holmes.....	21st "	163	16 30	6	22 30

R. W. DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.—Continued.

NAMES.	DISTRICTS.	Miles.....	Mileage...	Per Diem.	Total.....
C. L. Gregory.....	22d District	176	\$17 60	6	\$23 60
Geo. D. Bell.....	23d "	192	19 20	6	25 20
E. M. Crain.....	24th "	226	22 60	6	28 60
L. W. Lawton.....	25th "	157	15 70	6	21 70
H. M. Palmer.....	26th "	141	14 10	6	20 10
C. L. Sandusky ..	27th "	124	12 40	6	18 40
W. P. Jones.....	28th "	137	13 70	6	19 70
A. T. Summers.....	29th "	173	17 30	6	23 30
Sidney D. Breese ..	30th "	185	18 50	6	24 50
C. P. Ross.....	31st "	215	21 50	6	27 50
W. W. Watson.....	32d "	263	26 30	6	32 30
Emmet Howard.....	33d "	263	26 30	6	32 30
R. M. Riggs.....	34th "	235	23 50	6	29 50
C. H. Burgdorff.....	35th "	224	22 40	6	28 40
D. W. Starr.....	36th "	220	22 00	6	28 00
Chas. G. Young.....	37th "	202	20 20	6	26 20
J. E. Jeffers.....	38th "	158	15 80	6	21 80
H. Gassaway.....	39th "	186	18 60	6	24 60
W. H. Rupe.....	40th "	231	23 10	6	29 10
C. O. Fauht.....	41st "	211	21 10	6	27 10
Anthony Doherty.....	42d "	242	24 20	6	30 20
Enos Johnson.....	43d "	259	25 90	6	31 90
Geo. S. Caughlan.....	44th "	180	18 00	6	24 00
T. S. Browning.....	45th "	307	30 70	6	36 70
J. R. Ennis.....	46th "	272	27 20	6	33 20
I. A. Foster.....	47th "	297	29 70	6	35 70
W. D. Abney.....	48th "	326	32 60	6	38 60
Chas. H. Thompson.....	49th "	365	36 50	6	42 50
Joseph K. West.....	50th "	373	37 30	6	43 30

COMMITTEES.

NAMES.	Miles.....	Mileage...	Per Diem.	Total.....
APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.				
M. C. Crawford.....	330	\$33 00	30	\$ 63 00
J. E. Dyas.....	160	16 00	30	46 00
Geo. R. Smith.....	126	12 60	30	42 60
H. H. Montgomery ..	249	24 90	30	54 90
Hugh A. Snell.....	231	23 10	30	53 10
CHARTERED LODGES				
C. F. Hitchcock.....	150	15 00	20	35 00
C. M. Turner.....	154	15 40	20	35 40
S. M. Shoemann.....	305	30 50	20	50 50
Elmer E. Beach.....	10	1 00	20	21 00
Phil Barkley.....	365	36 50	20	56 50
CORRESPONDENCE.				
Owen Scott.....	173	17 30	.....	17 30

COMMITTEES—Continued.

NAMES.	Miles	Mileage	Per Diem	Total
CREDENTIALS.				
Geo. W. Cyrus	241	\$24 10	\$20	\$ 44 10
N. B. Carson	126	12 60	20	32 60
J. N. Spicer	283	28 30	15	43 30
FINANCE.				
S. O. Spring	150	15 00	20	35 00
Thos. A. Stevens	4	40	20	20 40
GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.				
H. L. Browning	281	28 10	20	48 10
D. G. Fitzgerald	298	29 80	20	49 80
Jas. E. Wooters	224	22 40	20	42 40
LODGES UNDER DISPENSATION.				
H. C. Mitchell	308	30 80	30	60 80
John Johnston	1	10	30	30 10
I. H. Todd	281	28 10	30	58 10
Jno. M. Hamilton	124	12 40	30	42 40
S. S. Coance	249	24 90	30	54 90
MASONIC JURISPRUDENCE.				
Edward Cook			20	20
A. H. Bell	224	22 40	20	42 40
J. C. Smith	6	60	20	20 60
C. E. Allen	163	16 30	20	36 30
W. B. Wright	199	19 90	20	39 90
MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.				
W. F. Beck	231	23 10	30	53 10
G. A. Lackeus	218	21 80	30	51 80
H. T. Goddard	249	24 90	30	54 30
OBITUARIES.				
C. W. Harris	274	27 40	20	47 40
A. L. Whittenberg	364	36 40	20	56 40
Frank E. Locke	3	30	20	20 30
PETITIONS.				
C. M. Carpenter	123	12 30	20	32 30
S. O. Pearce	263	26 30	20	46 30
F. E. Baldwin	215	21 50	20	41 50
RAILROADS AND TRANSPORTATION.				
O. E. Tandy	215	21 50	20	41 50
J. O. Clifford	25	2 50	20	22 50
TO EXAMINE VISITORS.				
Chas. H. Martin	226	22 60	15	37 60
S. S. Borden	7	70	15	15 70
Austin H. Scroggin	110	11 00	15	26 00
Rich. F. Morrow	207	20 70	15	35 70
L. C. Johnson	139	13 90	15	28 90
SPECIAL COMMITTEES.				
TRUSTEES ILLINOIS MASONIC HOME.				
W. A. Dixon	173	17 30	20	37 30
James A. Steele	176	17 10	20	37 10
Geo. M. Moulton	1	10	20	20 10
Henry W. Berks	128	12 80	20	32 80
Robt. C. Fletcher	15	1 50	20	21 50
Robert J. Daley	1	10	20	20 10
COMMITTEE ON MASONIC HOME.				
D. D. Darrah	126	12 60	20	32 60

REPRESENTATIVES.

LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles.....	Mileage..	Per Diem.	Total.....
Bodley.....	1	H. Bragg.....	263	\$ 26 30	6	\$32 30
Equality.....	2	J. D. Smith.....	307	30 70	6	36 70
Harmony.....	3	Asa M. Robinson.....	215	21 50	6	27 50
Springfield.....	4	James A. Reynolds.....	185	18 50	6	24 50
Friendship.....	7	Wm. D. Baum.....	98	9 80	6	15 80
Macon.....	8	Harry W. Crabb.....	173	17 30	6	23 30
Rushville.....	9	Thos. S. Botenberg.....	227	22 70	6	28 70
St. John's.....	13	Harmon N. Hackman.....	100	10 00	6	16 00
Warren.....	14	John L. Porter.....	310	31 00	6	37 00
Peoria.....	15	Wm. H. Maines.....	150	15 00	6	21 00
Temperance.....	16	N. C. Gochenour.....	230	23 00	6	29 00
Macomb.....	17	S. P. Odenweller.....	203	20 30	6	26 30
Clinton.....	19	W. G. Levering.....	188	18 80	6	24 80
Hancock.....	20	W. C. Hamilton.....	238	23 80	6	29 80
Cass.....	23	Harry F. Smith.....	225	22 50	6	28 50
St. Clair.....	24	Fred B. Merrills.....	295	29 50	6	35 50
Franklin.....	25	J. G. Sietz.....	259	25 90	6	31 90
Piasa.....	27	L. Caywood.....	257	25 70	6	31 70
Pekin.....	29	James Crosby.....	158	15 80	6	21 80
Mt. Vernon.....	31	Geo. W. Howard.....	274	27 40	6	33 40
Oriental.....	33	Franklin S. Catlin.....	1	10	6	6 10
Barry.....	34	O. K. Garrett.....	263	26 30	6	32 30
Charleston.....	35	John P. Harrah.....	182	18 20	6	24 20
Kavanaugh.....	36	Edward A. Laign.....	144	14 40	6	20 40
Monmouth.....	37	S. Waldsmith.....	179	17 90	6	23 90
Olive Branch.....	38	Henry P. Blöse.....	124	12 40	6	18 40
Herman.....	39	Fred C. Neumann.....	263	26 30	6	32 30
Occidental.....	40	Wm. Scales.....	84	8 40	6	14 40
Mt. Joliet.....	42	H. A. Bowers.....	37	3 70	6	9 70
Bloomington.....	43	W. B. Leach.....	126	12 60	6	18 60
Hardin.....	44	John A. Bond.....	225	22 50	6	28 50
Griggsville.....	45	John Craven, Jr.....	246	24 60	6	30 60
Temple.....	46	Chas. F. Weber.....	150	15 00	6	21 00
Caledonia.....	47	W. A. Bonm.....	368	36 80	6	42 80
Unity.....	48	R. H. Coulter.....	36	3 60	6	9 60
Cambridge.....	49	Chas. A. Nye.....	154	15 40	6	21 40
Carrollton.....	50	F. A. Linder.....	249	24 90	6	30 90
Mt. Moriah.....	51	Walter R. McLean.....	239	23 90	6	29 90
Benevolent.....	52	Chas J. Schmitt.....	238	23 80	6	29 80
Jackson.....	53	Wm. Taylor.....	195	19 50	6	25 50
Washington.....	55	O. C. Rabenneck.....	277	27 70	6	33 70
Trio.....	57	Willard T. Stevens.....	164	16 40	6	22 40
New Boston.....	59	G. L. Willits.....	189	18 90	6	24 90
Belvidere.....	60	Chas A. Rix.....	78	7 80	6	13 80
Lacon.....	61	R. H. Maxwell.....	128	12 80	6	18 80
St. Marks.....	63	Lynn Richards.....	51	5 10	6	11 10
Benton.....	64	Carl Burkhardt.....	307	30 70	6	36 70
Euclid.....	65	Alvin Scott.....	29	2 90	6	8 90
Pacific.....	66	Dr. C. T. Liken.....	168	16 80	6	22 80
Acacia.....	67	I-aac Guthmann.....	99	9 90	6	15 90
Eureka.....	69	Clark H. Smith.....	170	17 00	6	23 00
Central.....	71	J. H. Schuchardt.....	185	18 50	6	24 50
Chester.....	72	Romney M. Ritchey.....	321	32 10	6	38 10
Roscoe.....	75	C. A. Ransom.....	86	8 60	6	14 60
Mt. Nebo.....	76	C. H. Woods.....	224	22 40	6	28 40
Prairie.....	77	Shap ey A. Mapes.....	160	16 00	6	22 00
Waukegan.....	78	Wm S. Watrous.....	36	3 60	6	9 60

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LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles	Mileage	Per Diem	Total
Scott.....	79	T. A. Leitze.....	262	\$26 20	\$4	\$32 20
Whitehall.....	80	Alonzo Ellis.....	240	24 00	6	30 00
Vitruvius.....	81	Adam Mezer.....	30	3 00	6	9 00
De Witt.....	84	Carl Swelgart.....	148	14 80	6	20 80
Mitchell.....	85	G. F. Bartie.....	290	29 00	6	35 00
Kaskaskia.....	86	Philip R. Thmeier.....	313	31 30	6	37 30
Mt. Pulaski.....	87	C. M. Silkey.....	169	16 90	6	22 90
Havana.....	88	O. P. Tinkham.....	188	18 80	6	24 80
Fellowship.....	89	J. C. B. Smith.....	326	32 60	6	38 60
Jerusalem Temple.....	90	G. V. Hendricks.....	37	3 70	6	9 70
Metropolis.....	91	Daniel Miller.....	366	36 60	6	42 60
Stewart.....	92	Dante M. Stamm.....	159	15 90	6	21 90
Toulon.....	93	M. T. Ward.....	144	14 40	6	20 40
Perry.....	95	G. H. Ham.....	252	25 20	6	31 20
Samuel H. Davis.....	96	Cregor Thompson.....	106	10 60	6	15 60
Excelsior.....	97	Roy L. Burdhart.....	114	11 40	6	17 40
Taylor.....	98	L. J. Kern.....	134	13 40	6	17 40
Edwardsville.....	99	Ge. L. Morman.....	267	26 70	6	32 70
Astoria.....	100	Thos. M. Wilson.....	218	21 80	6	27 80
Rockford.....	102	C. D. Mumford.....	87	8 70	6	14 70
Magnolia.....	103	Pery Dakin.....	123	12 30	6	18 30
Lewistown.....	104	R. D. Quigley.....	194	19 40	6	25 40
Winchester.....	105	W. A. Wainwright.....	235	23 50	6	29 50
Lancaster.....	106	Samuel Barron.....	164	16 40	6	22 40
Versailles.....	108	Hugh T. Williams.....	246	24 60	6	30 60
Trenton.....	109	James S. Anderson.....	278	27 80	6	33 80
Lebanon.....	110	E. P. Baker.....	286	28 60	6	34 60
Jonesboro.....	111	J. Henry Hilboldt.....	330	33 00	6	39 00
Bureau.....	112	H. L. Parker.....	104	10 40	6	16 40
Robert Burns.....	113	W. R. King.....	193	19 30	6	25 30
Marcelline.....	114	F. P. Taylor.....	271	27 10	6	33 10
Rising Sun.....	115	R. W. Churchill.....	46	4 60	4	8 60
Vermont.....	116	F. S. Bayless.....	211	21 10	6	27 10
Elgin.....	117	W. B. Shales.....	37	3 70	6	9 70
Waverly.....	118	N. wton B. Rohser.....	210	21 00	6	27 00
Henry.....	119	Frank Johnson.....	128	12 80	6	18 80
Mound.....	122	John W. Taylor.....	202	20 20	6	26 20
Oquawka.....	123	W. O. Martin.....	202	20 20	4	24 20
Cedar.....	124	Wm. M. Bell.....	62	6 20	6	12 20
Greenup.....	125	Wm. C. Trav s.....	194	19 40	4	23 40
Empire.....	126	H. W. Toennigs.....	158	15 80	6	21 80
Antioch.....	127	John A. Thain.....	55	5 50	6	11 50
Raleigh.....	128	Chas. H. Gore.....	304	30 40	6	36 40
Greenfield.....	129	B. N. Kincaid.....	252	25 20	6	31 20
Marion.....	130	Chas. O. Ogle.....	249	24 90	6	30 90
Golconda.....	131	Dimey Phelps.....	372	37 20	6	43 20
Mackinaw.....	132	Jas. A. Long Sr.....	146	14 60	6	20 60
Marshall.....	133	G. B. Beh er.....	177	17 70	6	23 70
Sycamore.....	134	Chas. C. Pond.....	52	5 20	6	11 20
Lima.....	135	J. W. Jacobs.....	276	27 60	6	33 60
Hutsonville.....	136	C. G. Pearce.....	197	19 70	6	25 70
Polk.....	137	Orlin J. Davis.....	305	30 50	6	36 50
Marengo.....	138	W. B. Jaycox.....	66	6 60	6	12 60
Geneva.....	139	L. I. Wilcox.....	36	3 60	6	9 60
Olney.....	140	Jacob S. Freeman.....	231	23 10	6	29 10
Garden City.....	141	G. Langhenry.....	1	10	6	6 10
Ames.....	142	F. W. Morrasv.....	120	12 00	6	18 00
Richmond.....	143	Albert M. Gibbs.....	63	6 30	6	12 30
DeKalb.....	144	G. S. Hill.....	58	5 80	6	11 80
A. W. Rawson.....	145	E. R. Kidder.....	101	10 10	6	16 10
Lee Center.....	146	D. M. Blowers.....	95	9 50	6	15 50
Clayton.....	147	Jas. R. Moffett.....	242	24 20	6	30 20
Bloomfield.....	148	A. E. Schffels er.....	147	14 70	6	20 70
Effingham.....	149	William M. Stewart.....	199	19 90	6	25 90
Vienna.....	150	Guy S. Kuykendall.....	340	34 00	6	40 00

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LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles...	Mileage...	Per Diem.	Total.....
Bunker Hill.....	151	E. R. Welch.....	250	\$25 00	76	\$31 00
Fidelity.....	152	Levi J. Richardson.....	240	24 00	6	30 00
Clay.....	153	O. J. Hagebush.....	267	26 70	6	32 70
Russell.....	154	Wm. M. Nichols.....	135	13 50	6	19 50
Alpha.....	155	Chas. Burkhardt.....	163	16 30	6	22 30
Delavan.....	156	Arthur R. Patzer.....	157	15 70	6	21 70
Urbana.....	157	B. L. Bing.....	130	13 00	6	19 00
McHenry.....	158	H. E. Price.....	46	4 60	6	10 60
Kewanee.....	159	Chas. N. White.....	131	13 10	6	19 10
Waubansia.....	160	Frank M. Joseph.....	1	10	6	6 10
Virde.....	161	E. R. Riddle.....	207	20 70	6	26 70
Hope.....	162	Samuel E. Grigg, Jr.....	299	29 90	6	35 90
Edward Dobbins.....	164	J. S. Snyder.....	225	22 50	6	28 50
Atlanta.....	165	W. C. Reinmiller.....	146	14 60	6	20 60
Star in the East.....	166	W. S. Harper.....	87	8 70	6	14 70
Milford.....	168	C. M. Slife.....	88	8 80	4	12 80
Evergreen.....	170	T. H. Stultz.....	114	11 40	6	17 40
Girard.....	171	M. H. Tiersort.....	211	21 10	6	27 10
Wayne.....	172	Matthew Connoll.....	152	15 20	6	21 20
Lena.....	174	D. M. DeGraff.....	126	12 60	6	18 60
Matteson.....	175	Wm. Hall Plumb.....	37	3 70	6	9 70
Mendota.....	176	E. G. M. Mackin.....	84	8 40	6	14 40
Staunton.....	177	J. mes W. Donaldson.....	245	24 50	6	30 50
Illinois Central.....	178	Frank N. Jewett.....	95	9 50	6	15 50
Wabash.....	179	Ernest Chamberlin.....	180	18 00	6	24 00
Moveaqua.....	180	John L. Klump.....	186	18 60	6	24 60
Germania.....	182	Carl Oskar Kuehne.....	2	20	6	6 20
Marian.....	183	Geo. S. Wilesy.....	72	7 20	6	13 20
Abingdon.....	185	Geo. A. Hickman.....	173	17 30	6	23 30
My tic Tie.....	187	W. T. Schell, Jr.....	110	11 00	6	17 00
Cyrus.....	188	J. C. Mills.....	128	12 80	6	18 80
Fulton City.....	189	Geo. Lein.....	136	13 60	4	17 60
Dundee.....	190	Albert Winningham.....	48	4 80	6	10 80
Farmington.....	192	A. A. Luckey.....	169	16 90	6	22 90
Herrick.....	193	David Mayes.....	224	22 40	6	28 40
Freedom.....	194	Chas. R. Lucas.....	75	7 50	6	13 50
La Harpe.....	195	Geo. E. Campbell.....	234	23 40	6	29 40
Louisville.....	196	John G. Burns.....	228	22 80	6	28 80
King Solomon's.....	197	W. Parker Pope.....	257	25 70	6	31 70
Homer.....	199	Garnett Orr.....	143	14 30	6	20 30
Sheba.....	200	William T. Butler.....	266	26 60	6	32 60
Centralia.....	201	H. E. Sisson.....	252	25 20	6	31 20
Lavelly.....	203	S. J. McKinsey.....	173	17 30	6	23 30
Flora.....	204	Wm. Parton.....	236	23 60	6	29 60
Fairfield.....	206	H. H. Moore.....	257	25 70	4	29 70
Tamaroa.....	207	W. J. Apple.....	280	28 00	6	34 00
Wilmington.....	208	J. O. Whitman.....	53	5 30	4	9 30
Wm. B. Warren.....	209	John H. Egwall.....	1	10	6	6 10
Logan.....	210	Harry Wakemau.....	156	15 60	6	21 60
Cleveland.....	211	Wm. K. Spiece.....	1	10	6	6 10
Shipman.....	212	C. N. Bulman.....	238	23 80	6	29 80
Ipav.....	213	B. S. Diehl.....	203	20 30	6	26 30
Gillespie.....	214	John H. Ross.....	240	24 00	6	30 00
Newton.....	216	F. H. Robertson.....	214	21 40	6	27 40
Mason.....	217	Omer Mitchell.....	211	21 10	6	27 10
New Salem.....	218	John E. Martin.....	251	25 10	6	31 10
Oakland.....	219	Frank Winkler.....	166	16 60	6	22 60
Mahomet.....	220	F. O. Jahr.....	141	14 10	6	20 10
Leroy.....	221	Jno. Evaason.....	135	13 50	6	19 50
Geo. Washington.....	222	Anthe Anderson.....	134	13 40	6	19 40
Pana.....	226	Chas. E. Barnett.....	202	20 20	6	26 20
Columbus.....	227	W. S. Ryan.....	250	25 00	6	31 00
Lovington.....	228	H. S. Alsip.....	168	16 80	6	22 80
Manchester.....	229	L. C. Funk.....	232	23 20	6	29 20
New Haven.....	230	Joel H. Graddy.....	297	29 70	6	35 70

REPRESENTATIVES—Continued.

LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles.....	Mileage....	Per Diem.	Total.....
Wyandot.....	231	Henry A. Grainer.....	111	\$11 10	\$6	\$17 10
Farmers.....	232	John H. Stephenson.....	373	37 30	6	43 30
Blandinsville.....	233	W. A. Griggsby.....	228	22 80	6	28 80
DuQuoi.....	234	E. E. Thornton.....	288	28 80	6	34 80
Dallas City.....	235	Bert K. Peter.....	222	22 20	6	28 20
Charter Oak.....	236	P. J. Rose.....	231	23 10	6	29 10
Cairo.....	237	N. D. Gibson.....	365	36 50	6	42 50
Black Hawk.....	238	O. C. McCartney.....	243	24 30	6	30 30
Mt. Carmel.....	239	James M. Hughes.....	249	24 90	6	30 90
Western Star.....	240	Frank M. Brown.....	128	12 80	6	18 80
Shekinah.....	241	H. C. Mertz.....	308	30 80	6	36 80
Galva.....	243	Clark Eby.....	139	13 90	6	19 90
Horicon.....	244	Fred W. Craft.....	75	7 50	6	13 50
Greenville.....	245	Joseph G. Wright.....	248	24 80	6	30 80
El Paso.....	246	M. A. Adams.....	117	11 70	6	17 70
Rob Morris.....	247	John F. Goodwin.....	113	11 30	6	17 30
Golden Gate.....	248	J. W. Wilson.....	186	18 60	6	24 60
Hibbard.....	249	Warren D. Gent.....	246	24 60	6	30 60
Robinson.....	250	Ralph B. Lathrop.....	205	20 50	6	26 50
Heyworth.....	251	S. S. Middleton.....	137	13 70	6	19 70
Aledo.....	252	E. E. Bower.....	176	17 60	6	23 60
Avon Harmony.....	253	Arthur Merrill.....	183	18 30	6	24 30
Aurora.....	254	Walter Lintoll.....	37	3 70	6	9 70
Donnellson.....	255	W. H. Young.....	245	24 50	6	30 50
Warsaw.....	257	J. C. Crawford.....	248	24 80	6	30 80
Mattoon.....	260	G. N. Todd.....	172	17 20	6	23 20
Amon.....	261	E. M. McPherson.....	139	13 90	6	19 90
Channahon.....	262	Alfred E. Meradith.....	55	5 50	6	11 50
Illinois.....	263	Harry D. Bowen.....	150	15 00	6	21 00
Franklin Grove.....	264	E. P. Harrison.....	88	8 80	6	14 80
Vermilion.....	265	Albertus Dickson.....	142	14 20	6	20 20
Kingston.....	266	Floyd D. Kelly.....	265	26 50	6	32 50
La Prairie.....	267	James Baird.....	236	23 60	6	29 60
Wheaton.....	269	Samuel E. Johnson.....	25	2 50	6	8 50
Levi Lusk.....	270	S. P. Prescott.....	92	9 20	6	15 20
Blaney.....	271	C. B. Gibson.....	1	1 00	6	6 10
Carmi.....	272	Francis M. Downer.....	282	28 20	6	34 20
Miners.....	273	Wm. F. Bresmann.....	165	16 50	6	22 50
Byron.....	274	Thos. L. Hanger.....	83	8 30	6	14 30
Milton.....	275	J. I. Doss.....	259	25 90	6	31 90
Elizabeth.....	276	E. F. Wall, Jr.....	337	33 70	6	39 70
Accordia.....	277	Augus. H. Kropp.....	4	4 00	6	6 40
Jo Daviess.....	278	O. J. Stauring.....	138	13 80	6	19 80
Neoga.....	279	W. R. Whitney.....	184	18 40	6	24 40
Kansas.....	280	Frank S. Anderson.....	174	17 40	6	23 40
Meteor.....	283	Thos. McNiece.....	56	5 60	6	11 60
Catlin.....	285	John W. Boggess.....	129	12 90	6	18 90
Plymouth.....	286	R. L. Cloud.....	222	22 20	6	28 20
De Soto.....	287	Marion Kelley.....	302	30 20	6	36 20
Genoa.....	288	G. J. Patterson.....	59	5 90	6	11 90
Chenoa.....	292	F. H. Ballinger.....	102	10 20	6	16 20
Prophetsown.....	293	Amos Ott.....	129	12 90	6	18 90
Pontiac.....	294	J. G. Greenbaum.....	92	9 20	4	13 20
Dills.....	295	Harry C. Zinn.....	256	25 60	6	31 60
Quincy.....	296	Geo. J. Lander.....	263	26 30	6	32 30
Benjamin.....	297	Hugh S. Nations.....	241	24 10	6	30 10
Wauconda.....	298	Emil H. Dahins.....	40	4 00	6	10 00
Durand.....	302	Frank L. Randall.....	104	10 40	6	16 40
Raven.....	303	Thomas B. Drew.....	44	4 40	6	10 40
Onarga.....	305	I. W. Furby.....	85	8 50	6	14 50
W. C. Hobbs.....	316	J. L. Krause.....	131	13 10	6	19 10
T. J. Pickett.....	317	Paul S. Stearns.....	192	19 20	6	25 20
Ashlar.....	308	Halket Pattullo.....	1	1 00	6	6 10
Harvard.....	309	H. H. Magraw.....	62	6 20	6	12 20
Dearborn.....	310	G. D. Chase.....	3	3 00	6	6 30

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LODGE	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles	Mileage...	Per Diem.	Total.....
Kilwinning	311	Chas. Weiland.....	1	\$ ⁵⁰ 10	\$6	\$ 6 10
Ionic.....	312	R. C. Peck.....	173	17 30	6	23 30
York.....	313	T. W. Richards.....	195	19 50	6	25 50
Palatine.....	314	H. H. Pahlman.....	26	2 60	6	8 60
Abraham Jonas.....	316	R. O. Hollister.....	99	9 90	6	15 90
J. L. Anderson.....	318	J. A. Mead.....	226	22 60	6	28 60
Doric.....	319	H. S. Ransom.....	164	16 40	6	22 40
Creston.....	3 0	Jos. W. Shaw.....	70	7 00	6	13 00
Dunlap.....	321	H. J. Luders.....	124	12 40	6	18 40
Windsor.....	322	H. S. Lilly.....	184	18 40	6	24 40
Orient.....	323	Tom Jones.....	68	6 80	6	12 80
Harrisburg.....	325	G. M. McKittrick.....	306	30 60	6	36 60
Industry.....	327	O. E. Kinkade.....	215	21 50	6	27 50
Altona.....	330	A. R. Keeler.....	147	14 70	6	20 70
Mt. Erie.....	331	Jerry Brinken.....	259	25 90	6	31 90
Tuscola.....	332	C. A. Hawkins.....	150	15 00	6	21 00
Tyrian.....	333	F. Reifen.....	185	18 50	6	24 50
Sumner.....	334	G. R. Stout.....	236	23 60	6	29 60
Schiller.....	3 5	Bruno Juerjens.....	150	15 00	6	21 00
New Columbia.....	336	T. M. Harris.....	364	36 40	6	42 40
Oneida.....	337	C. V. Conyers.....	151	15 10	6	21 10
Saline.....	339	Henry Terry.....	316	31 60	6	37 60
Kedron.....	340	J. M. Wiswell.....	193	19 30	6	25 30
Full Moon.....	341	Bird Crull.....	273	27 30	6	33 30
Summersfield.....	342	C. T. Lang.....	283	28 30	6	34 30
Wenona.....	344	C. H. Hiswald.....	108	10 80	6	16 80
Milledgeville.....	345	J. C. Estabrook.....	122	12 20	6	18 20
Sidney.....	347	J. E. Raymond.....	137	13 70	6	19 70
Russellville.....	348	W. E. McClure.....	213	21 30	6	27 30
Sublette.....	349	A. F. Jewell.....	83	8 30	4	13 30
Fairview.....	350	B. L. Pen Eyck.....	193	19 30	6	25 30
Tarbolton.....	351	L. S. Henderson.....	98	9 80	6	15 80
Groveland.....	352	Y. T. Kiblinger.....	146	14 60	6	20 60
Kinderhook.....	353	A. C. Bancroft.....	270	27 00	6	33 00
Ark and Anchor.....	354	C. L. Evans.....	201	20 10	6	26 10
Marine.....	355	Chas. May.....	256	25 60	6	31 60
Hermitage.....	356	Jos. White.....	262	26 20	6	32 20
Orion.....	358	Adolph Kremer.....	62	6 20	6	12 20
Blackberry.....	359	C. W. Spalding.....	44	4 40	6	10 40
Princeville.....	560	A. H. Sloan.....	149	14 90	6	20 90
Douglas.....	361	G. J. Schere.....	302	30 20	6	36 20
Noble.....	362	F. H. Henry.....	239	23 90	6	29 90
Horeb.....	363	C. A. Vance.....	163	16 30	6	22 30
Tonica.....	364	Wm. Baldwin.....	108	10 80	6	16 80
Bement.....	365	J. W. Cormin.....	153	15 30	6	21 30
Arcola.....	366	R. F. W. Beazley.....	158	15 80	6	21 80
Oxford.....	367	W. H. Veeder.....	160	16 00	6	22 00
Jefferson.....	368	Ed C. Polen.....	290	29 00	6	35 00
Newman.....	369	J. W. Hanners.....	166	16 60	6	22 60
Livingston.....	371	W. J. Drew.....	74	7 40	6	13 40
Chambersburg.....	373	S. J. Hobbs.....	246	24 60	6	30 60
Shabbona.....	374	F. W. Frost.....	67	6 70	6	12 70
Aroma.....	378	O. L. Day.....	61	6 10	6	12 10
Payson.....	379	C. E. Gabriel.....	278	27 80	6	33 80
Gill.....	3 2	F. D. Moore.....	223	22 30	6	28 30
LaMoille.....	383	W. E. Eddy.....	92	9 20	4	13 20
Waltham.....	384	Wm. W. Ford.....	94	9 40	6	15 40
Mississippi.....	385	J. L. Brearton.....	138	13 80	6	19 80
Bridgeport.....	386	L. B. Flanders Jr.....	229	22 90	6	28 90
El Dara.....	388	A. Lyons.....	260	26 00	6	32 00
Kankakee.....	389	G. J. Wohnor.....	55	5 60	6	11 60
Ashmore.....	390	W. N. Moore.....	178	17 80	6	23 80
Tolono.....	391	G. L. Dillavon.....	137	13 70	6	19 70
Oconee.....	392	J. W. Heckethorn.....	209	20 90	4	24 90
Blair.....	393	F. W. Nash.....	1	10	6	6 10

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LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles.....	Mileage...	Per Diem.	Total.....
Jerseyville.....	394	H. T. Daniels.....	260	\$26 00	76	\$32 00
Muddy Point.....	396	Frank Hackley.....	183	18 30	6	24 30
Shiloh.....	397	Albert Krause.....	80	8 00	6	14 00
Kinmundy.....	398	A. M. All-n.....	229	22 90	4	26 90
Buda.....	399	F. A. Zink.....	117	11 70	6	17 70
Odell.....	401	A. W. Joerndt.....	82	8 20	6	14 20
Kishwaukee.....	402	F. W. Stark.....	62	6 30	6	12 24
Mason City.....	403	A. F. Johnson.....	172	17 20	6	23 20
Batavia.....	404	C. R. Briggs.....	8	3 80	6	9 80
Ramsey.....	405	M. V. Carter.....	219	21 90	6	27 90
Bethalto.....	406	J. W. Wilmers.....	261	26 10	6	32 10
Stratton.....	408	W. E. Gasaway.....	166	16 60	6	22 60
Thos. J. Turner.....	409	C. P. Thompson.....	1	10	6	6 10
Mithra.....	410	Chas. Oestreich.....	2	20	6	6 20
Hesperia.....	411	W. Grave.....	1	10	6	6 10
Bollen.....	412	G. O. Perkins.....	137	13 70	6	19 70
Evening Star.....	414	C. O. R. Stabeck.....	109	10 90	6	16 90
Lawn Ridge.....	415	Grant Burdick.....	153	16 30	6	22 30
Paxton.....	416	G. A. Gardner.....	103	10 30	6	16 30
Freeburg.....	418	C. Heiligenstein.....	303	30 30	6	36 30
Reynoldsburg.....	419	W. J. Forn.....	334	33 40	6	39 40
Oregon.....	420	Frank Lundstrom.....	99	9 90	6	15 90
Washburn.....	421	Fred C. Barnes.....	127	12 70	6	18 70
Landmark.....	422	J. L. Albright.....	4	40	4	4 44
Lanark.....	423	E. M. Tallman.....	120	12 00	6	18 00
Exeter.....	424	N. Campbell.....	232	23 20	6	29 20
Scotville.....	426	A. M. Bell.....	223	22 30	6	28 30
Red Bud.....	427	J. J. Fox.....	318	31 80	6	37 80
Sunbeam.....	428	D. M. Baird.....	52	5 20	6	11 20
Chebanse.....	429	John Burrill.....	64	6 40	6	12 40
Kendrick.....	430	L. F. Norton.....	248	24 80	6	30 80
Summit.....	431	Burt Fyke.....	177	17 70	6	23 70
Murrayville.....	432	C. C. Self.....	227	22 70	6	28 70
Annawan.....	433	H. E. Whitted.....	152	15 20	6	21 20
Makanda.....	434	J. G. Jenkins.....	316	31 60	6	37 60
Philo.....	436	B. B. Huntly.....	152	15 20	6	21 20
Chicago.....	437	R. H. Wollner.....	1	10	4	4 10
Camargo.....	440	Fred Ebel.....	156	15 60	6	21 60
Sparland.....	441	T. Van Antwerp.....	130	13 00	6	19 00
Casey.....	442	W. W. Bruce.....	186	18 60	6	24 60
Hamshire.....	443	E. T. Crook.....	51	5 10	6	11 10
Cave-in-Rock.....	444	C. A. Okerson.....	333	33 30	6	39 30
Chesterfield.....	445	E. Perrings.....	233	23 30	6	29 30
Watska.....	446	J. O. Bailey.....	77	7 70	6	13 70
S. D. Monroe.....	447	Ch. B. Shank.....	217	21 70	6	27 70
Yates City.....	448	O. B. West.....	164	16 40	6	22 40
Mendon.....	449	C. H. Nutt.....	263	26 30	6	32 30
Loami.....	450	C. S. Park.....	199	19 90	6	25 90
Bromwell.....	451	J. M. Holmes.....	193	19 30	6	25 30
New Hartford.....	453	W. J. Cunningham.....	262	26 20	6	32 20
Maroa.....	454	A. V. Bowden.....	157	15 70	6	21 70
Irving.....	455	C. E. Padgett.....	233	23 30	6	29 30
Nokomis.....	456	G. H. Webster.....	224	22 40	6	28 40
Blazing Star.....	458	G. W. Irwin.....	332	33 20	6	39 20
Jeffersonville.....	460	T. C. Hambleton.....	251	25 10	6	31 10
Plainview.....	461	R. M. Taylor.....	234	23 40	6	29 40
Tremont.....	462	R. L. Smith.....	153	15 30	6	21 30
Palmyra.....	463	C. E. Wheeler.....	221	22 10	6	28 10
Denver.....	464	F. M. Hunter.....	247	24 70	6	30 70
Huntsville.....	465	John M. Ivin.....	234	23 40	6	29 40
Cobden.....	466	H. D. Lawrence.....	323	32 30	6	38 30
South Macon.....	497	Walter Baird.....	180	18 00	6	24 00
Cheney's Grove.....	468	T. W. Nixon.....	118	11 80	6	17 80
McLean.....	469	G. W. Morrell.....	141	14 10	6	20 10
Rantoul.....	470	Nate Reed.....	114	11 40	6	17 40

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LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVES	Miles.....	Mileage...	Per Diem.	Total.....
Kendall	471	P. D. Hoadly	49	\$ 4 90	\$6	\$10 90
Amity	472	G. A. Dayton	30	3 00	4	7 00
Gordon	473	C. E. Nilsson, Jr.	258	25 80	6	31 80
Columbia	474	G. B. Schoe in	295	29 50	6	35 50
Washville	475	J. W. Towell	239	23 90	6	29 90
Manito	476	J. A. McComas	164	16 40	6	22 40
Rutlaud	477	Frank Trs	113	11 30	6	17 30
Pleiades	478	C. R. Young	3	30	6	6 30
Wyoming	479	G. E. Scott	137	13 70	6	19 70
Momence	481	Wm. Lynn	52	5 20	6	11 20
Lexington	482	R. L. Hevdaker	110	11 00	6	17 00
Edg-wood	484	W. J. Faulk	214	21 40	6	27 40
Xenia	485	A. S. Jessup	244	24 40	6	30 40
Bowen	486	W. T. Hughes	244	24 40	6	30 40
Andrew Jackson	487	T. H. Pease	326	32 60	6	38 60
Clay City	488	C. W. Tolliver	242	24 20	6	30 20
Cooper	489	M. R. Hall	212	21 20	6	27 20
Shannon	490	H. C. Good	121	12 10	4	16 10
Martin	491	K. H. Helles	181	18 10	6	24 10
Libertyville	492	Thos. Corlett	36	3 60	4	7 60
Tower Hill	493	E. S. McLean	204	20 40	6	26 40
Stone Port	495	J. A. Whitaker	318	31 80	6	37 80
Colchester	496	H. L. Burford	210	21 00	6	27 00
Alma	497	J. M. Hall	305	30 50	6	36 50
Murphysboro	498	J. R. Hathaway	316	31 60	6	37 60
St. Paul	500	H. G. Ben al.	185	18 50	6	24 50
Stark	501	Abel N. White	145	14 50	6	20 50
Woodhull	502	Wm. O. Quayle	153	15 30	6	21 30
Odin	5 3	F. H. Robinson	244	24 40	6	30 40
East St. Louis	504	C. M. Musgrave	281	28 10	6	34 10
Meridian Sun	505	C. E. Oakes	74	7 40	6	13 40
O. H. Miner	5 6	N. S. Pearce	76	7 60	6	13 60
Home	508	Lewis Johnson	3	30	6	6 30
Parkersburg	509	F. M. Rash	242	24 20	6	30 20
J. D. Moody	510	J. A. Hindman	258	25 80	6	31 80
Wade-Barney	512	M. W. Washburn	126	12 60	6	18 60
Bradford	514	Elbert H. Phenix	128	12 80	6	18 80
Andalusia	516	J. F. Mayberry	178	17 80	6	23 80
Litchfield	517	F. C. Blickwelder	231	23 10	6	29 10
Abraham Lincoln	518	J. F. Kyler	185	18 50	6	24 50
Rosville	519	Chas. Carr	191	19 10	4	23 10
Anna	520	R. A. Carlile	329	32 90	6	38 90
Illioopolis	521	A. P. Bickenbuch	186	18 60	6	24 60
Monitor	522	Philip W. Sawtelle	37	3 70	6	9 70
Chatham	523	John M. Hederick	194	19 40	6	25 40
Evans	524	F. B. Merrrell	12	1 20	6	7 20
Delia	525	Thos. F. Hale	213	21 30	6	27 30
Covenant	526	Berkeley Brandt	1	10	6	6 10
Rosville	527	J. S. Christman	105	10 50	6	16 50
Minooka	528	W. H. Randall	51	5 10	6	11 10
Adams	529	I. M. Larimore	283	28 30	6	34 30
Ashton	531	Sam'l T. Zeller, Jr.	84	8 40	6	14 40
Seneca	532	Chas. J. Everhart	72	7 20	6	13 20
Alamont	533	Fred Wanmer	211	21 10	6	27 10
Cuba	534	F. Palin	191	19 10	6	25 10
Sherman	535	G. H. Wayne	164	16 40	6	22 40
Plainfield	536	A. E. Mattinger	48	4 80	6	10 80
J. R. Gorin	537	Jas. T. Wise	142	14 20	6	20 20
Chatsworth	539	D. W. Hitch	97	9 70	6	15 70
Stewardson	541	Ralph E. Varis	195	19 50	6	25 50
Towanda	542	Benj. F. Dotson	118	11 80	6	17 80
Cordova	543	W. H. Moody	153	15 30	6	21 30
Virginia	544	R. H. Mann	210	21 00	6	27 00
Valley	547	S. G. Hutchinson	176	17 60	6	23 60
Sharon	550	Chas. Mil s	123	12 30	6	18 30

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LODGE	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles.....	Mileage..	Per Diem.	Total.....
Long Point.....	552	M. Dawson.....	103	\$10 30	\$6	\$16 30
Plum River.....	554	A. M. Smith.....	124	12 60	6	18 60
Humboldt.....	555	Oscar Formhals.....	84	8 40	6	14 40
Dawson.....	556	Henry S. Wiley.....	196	19 60	6	25 60
Lessing.....	557	Henry W. Huffmann.....	2	20	6	6 20
Thomson.....	559	Ray I. Haughon.....	143	14 30	6	20 30
Madison.....	560	Oscar Latowsky.....	258	25 80	4	29 80
Trinity.....	562	H. C. Paulsen.....	359	35 90	6	41 90
Winslow.....	564	W. G. Tyler.....	133	13 30	6	19 30
Pleasant Hill.....	565	Samuel Kelley.....	266	26 60	6	32 60
Albany.....	566	B. F. Phillips.....	144	14 40	6	20 40
Frankfort.....	567	A. J. Dorris.....	314	31 40	6	37 40
Time.....	569	C. E. Bagley.....	260	26 00	6	32 00
Jacksonville.....	570	P. V. Coover.....	215	21 50	6	27 50
Bardolph.....	572	Frank Bethel.....	197	19 70	6	25 70
Pera.....	574	R. W. Cole.....	108	10 80	6	16 80
O'Fallon.....	576	A. B. Gordon.....	291	29 10	6	35 10
Viola.....	577	Grove Harrison.....	167	16 70	6	22 70
Prairie City.....	578	C. B. Heyett.....	209	20 90	6	26 90
Hazel Dell.....	580	Peter Peterson.....	198	19 80	6	25 80
Dongola.....	581	J. H. Eddleman.....	338	33 80	6	39 80
Shirley.....	582	A. N. Williams.....	132	13 20	6	19 20
Highland.....	583	Louis J. Appel.....	267	26 70	6	32 70
Vesper.....	584	W. E. Bowles.....	163	16 30	6	22 30
Fisher.....	585	W. A. Sandler.....	194	19 40	6	25 40
Princeton.....	587	Eugene Moran.....	104	10 40	6	16 40
Troy.....	588	James Rawson.....	278	27 80	6	33 80
Fairmount.....	590	R. T. Bartan.....	137	13 70	6	19 70
Gilman.....	591	G. L. Harris.....	81	8 10	6	14 10
Fieldon.....	592	Chas. W. Brown.....	272	27 20	6	33 20
Miles Hart.....	595	T. Warner Wilson.....	198	19 80	6	25 80
Cerro Gordo.....	600	John W. Vent.....	163	16 30	6	22 30
Farina.....	601	Jas. W. McCluer.....	223	22 30	6	28 30
Watson.....	602	A. Smith.....	206	20 60	6	26 60
Clark.....	603	Chas. A. Fassig.....	186	18 60	6	24 60
Hebron.....	604	R. C. Woodrich.....	74	7 40	6	13 40
Piper.....	608	C. A. McClain.....	91	9 10	6	15 10
Sheldon.....	609	W. A. Ward.....	85	8 50	6	14 50
Union Park.....	610	Rogers L. Avery.....	3	30	6	6 30
Lincoln Park.....	611	Chas. H. Parkes.....	2	20	6	6 20
Rock River.....	612	W. J. Burleigh.....	110	11 00	6	17 00
Patoka.....	613	Geo. H. Pope.....	247	24 70	6	30 70
Forest.....	614	L. Bullard.....	93	9 30	6	15 30
Wadley.....	616	J. R. Jones.....	227	22 70	6	28 70
Good Hope.....	617	G. C. James.....	218	21 80	6	27 80
Basco.....	618	Jas. S. Elder.....	244	24 40	6	30 40
New Hope.....	620	Jas Snyder.....	197	19 70	6	25 70
Hopedale.....	622	B. H. Schulte.....	149	14 90	4	18 90
Locust.....	623	Wm. Crawford.....	210	21 00	6	27 00
Union.....	627	A. H. Brooks.....	339	33 90	6	39 90
Tuscan.....	630	John W. McGhee.....	305	30 50	6	36 50
Norton.....	631	W. R. Watts.....	80	8 00	6	14 00
Ridge Farm.....	632	C. M. Harrold.....	140	14 00	6	20 00
E. F. W. Ellis.....	633	Frank A. Carson.....	87	8 70	6	14 70
Buckley.....	634	Eivin Hull.....	93	9 30	6	15 30
Rochester.....	635	J. E. Coe.....	193	19 30	6	25 30
Peotone.....	636	Harry C. Reser.....	40	4 00	6	10 00
Keystone.....	639	George Schäl.....	2	20	6	6 20
Comet.....	641	A. A. Harrom.....	144	14 40	6	20 40
Apollo.....	642	Chas A. Stevenson.....	3	30	6	6 30
D. C. Cregier.....	643	Nicholas Heinsen.....	2	20	6	6 20
Oblong City.....	644	D. F. Heck.....	215	21 50	6	27 50
San Jose.....	645	Paul G. Fryer.....	163	16 30	6	22 30
Somonauk.....	646	D. H. Knight.....	59	5 90	6	11 90
Blueville.....	647	H. T. Gardner.....	202	20 20	6	26 20

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LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles.....	Milage....	Per Diem.	Total.....
Camden.....	648	Arthur Vaughn.....	240	\$24 00	\$6	\$30 00
Atwood.....	651	A. J. Quick.....	160	16 00	6	22 00
Greenview.....	653	C. W. Derry.....	180	18 00	6	24 00
Yorktown.....	655	P. A. McMillan.....	121	12 10	6	18 10
Mozart.....	656	Henry Quosick.....	126	12 60	6	18 60
Lafayette.....	657	J. T. Evans.....	333	33 30	6	39 30
Rock Island.....	658	Wm. Payne.....	164	16 40	6	22 40
Lambert.....	659	Henry C. Brahm.....	263	26 30	6	32 30
Grand Chain.....	660	R. P. Evers.....	353	35 30	6	41 30
South Park.....	612	Chester R. Jardine.....	6	60	6	6 60
Mayo.....	664	Jas. A. McCarkle.....	223	22 30	6	28 30
Greenland.....	665	Isaac G. Phillips.....	214	21 40	6	27 40
Crawford.....	666	Bert C. Fawley.....	214	21 40	6	27 40
Eric.....	667	S. A. Eddy.....	133	13 30	4	17 30
Burnt Prairie.....	668	Ed. R. Martin.....	272	27 20	6	33 20
Herder.....	669	Chas. Vietz.....	3	30	6	6 30
Fillmore.....	670	S. B. Evans.....	234	23 40	6	29 40
Eddyville.....	672	John S. Barger.....	333	33 30	6	39 30
Normal.....	673	Reuben G. Bright.....	124	12 40	6	18 40
Waldeck.....	674	Gustav Baumgartner.....	4	40	6	6 40
Pawnee.....	675	Melvain Ferndeburk.....	203	20 30	6	26 30
A. O. Fay.....	676	W. J. Walter.....	23	2 30	6	8 30
Enfield.....	677	Chas. W. McCurdy.....	277	27 70	6	33 70
Illinois City.....	679	Joseph Ryan.....	189	18 90	6	24 90
Clement.....	680	C. W. Jacobson.....	171	17 10	6	23 10
Morrisonville.....	681	Geo. M. Wilson.....	211	21 10	6	27 10
Blue Mound.....	682	H. A. Flock.....	187	18 70	6	24 70
Burnside.....	683	F. S. Jackson.....	225	22 50	6	28 50
Galatia.....	684	Otis Stone.....	307	30 70	6	36 70
Rio.....	685	E. J. Tye.....	163	16 30	6	22 30
Garfield.....	686	Frank Branen.....	5	50	6	6 50
Orangeville.....	687	M. W. Gouse.....	126	12 60	6	18 60
Clifton.....	688	Peter Wright.....	69	6 90	6	12 90
Englewood.....	690	C. A. Hinsley.....	8	30	6	6 30
Iola.....	691	Eli Parick.....	221	22 10	6	28 10
Raymond.....	692	J. E. McDavid.....	220	22 00	6	28 00
Herrin's Prairie.....	693	Edwin Dangerfield.....	321	32 10	6	38 10
Shiloh Hill.....	695	T. W. Dunderbostel.....	311	31 10	6	37 10
Belle River.....	696	Isaac D. Hampton.....	293	29 30	6	35 30
Richard Cole.....	697	John P. Zinglman.....	4	40	6	6 40
Hutton.....	698	Clayton W. McMorris.....	193	19 30	6	25 30
Pleasant Plains.....	700	W. H. Dorand.....	201	20 10	6	26 10
Temple Hill.....	701	Ernest E. Green.....	367	36 70	6	42 70
Alexandria.....	702	C. W. Postlewait.....	172	17 20	6	23 20
Joppa.....	706	G. N. Mason.....	208	20 80	6	26 80
Star.....	709	S. A. D. Harry.....	99	9 90	6	15 90
Farmer City.....	710	John W. Kendall.....	130	13 00	6	19 00
Providence.....	711	Henry Dinse.....	10	1 00	6	7 00
Collinsville.....	712	W. C. Hadley.....	286	28 60	6	34 60
Johnsonville.....	713	W. M. Alvis.....	252	25 20	6	31 20
Newton.....	714	D. M. Fowler.....	119	11 90	6	17 90
Elvaston.....	715	Hiram Ingersoll.....	237	23 70	6	29 70
Calumet.....	716	C. S. Van Antwerp.....	16	1 60	6	7 60
Arcana.....	717	Jos. T. Minarik.....	1	10	6	6 10
May.....	718	Ira Shain.....	285	28 50	6	34 50
Chapel Hill.....	719	I. N. Lentz.....	323	32 30	6	38 30
Rome.....	721	J. R. Walker.....	271	27 10	6	33 10
Walnut.....	722	O. Beechler.....	110	11 00	6	17 00
Omaha.....	723	H. P. Blackard.....	292	29 20	6	35 20
Chandlerville.....	724	J. W. Lynn.....	207	20 70	6	26 70
Rankin.....	725	Clinton Rice.....	111	11 10	6	17 10
Golden Rule.....	726	John Warrington.....	1	10	6	6 10
Raritan.....	727	J. E. Wells.....	201	20 10	6	26 10
Waterman.....	728	W. T. Wiltberger.....	62	6 20	4	10 20
Lake Creek.....	729	M. Ozment.....	320	32 00	6	38 00

REPRESENTATIVES—Continued.

LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles.....	Mileage...	Per Diem.	Total.....
Eldorado.....	730	E. L. Bramlet.....	297	\$29 70	86	\$35 70
Harbor.....	731	Adolph C. Bell.....	12	1 20	6	7 20
Carman.....	732	A. C. Babcock.....	212	21 20	6	27 20
Gibson.....	733	Adolph Otto Poff.....	110	11 00	6	17 00
Morning Star.....	734	R. L. Mutton.....	181	18 10	6	24 10
Arrowsmith.....	737	H. M. Scott.....	125	12 50	6	18 50
Saunemin.....	738	C. F. Ross.....	83	8 30	4	12 30
Lakeside.....	739	Hugh A. Howison.....	3	30	6	6 30
New Holland.....	741	Lester Ballinger.....	168	16 80	6	22 80
Danvers.....	742	Hugh D. Stephenson.....	136	13 60	6	19 60
Scott Land.....	743	Elmer Wheeler.....	151	15 10	6	21 10
Goode.....	744	L. G. Payne.....	295	29 50	6	35 50
Winnebago.....	745	H. J. Waterstreet.....	94	9 40	6	15 40
Weldon.....	746	H. T. Lurgart.....	150	15 00	4	19 00
Centennial.....	747	W. H. R ckey.....	142	14 20	6	20 20
Alta.....	748	William Chambers.....	155	15 50	6	21 50
Akin.....	749	J. J. Bundy.....	316	31 60	6	37 60
Lyndon.....	750	P. C. Riley.....	123	12 30	6	18 30
Lounsbury.....	751	A. Weichett.....	32	3 20	6	9 20
Allendale.....	752	Ransom Higgins.....	241	24 10	6	30 10
Ogden.....	754	Walter V. Cooper.....	144	14 40	6	20 40
Pre-emption.....	755	S. S. Johnson.....	185	18 50	6	24 50
Hardinsville.....	756	Leonard Hauston.....	218	21 80	6	27 80
Verona.....	757	M. A. Stitt.....	75	7 50	6	13 50
Mystic Star.....	758	D. A. Whitcomb.....	8	80	6	6 80
Orel.....	759	A. G. Sendamore.....	270	27 00	6	33 00
Sibley.....	761	Edgar T. Johnson.....	105	10 50	6	16 50
Crete.....	763	N. R. Trowbridge.....	30	3 00	6	9 00
Sullivan.....	764	A. E. Eden.....	176	17 60	6	23 60
Littleton.....	766	James Settle.....	236	23 60	4	27 60
Triluminar.....	767	J. B. Candit.....	12	1 20	6	7 20
Mizpah.....	768	W. H. Mooney.....	5	50	6	6 50
St. Elmo.....	769	Jos. R. Morri-on.....	217	21 70	6	27 70
LaGrange.....	770	H. M. Pepper.....	15	1 50	6	7 50
Bay City.....	771	E. V. Neison.....	384	38 40	6	44 40
New Burnside.....	772	John M. Howerton.....	333	32 30	6	38 30
Mansfield.....	773	Eugene Young.....	131	13 10	6	19 10
Lake View.....	774	Albert H. Fry.....	5	50	6	6 50
Grand Crossing.....	776	George F. Burt n.....	10	1 00	6	7 00
Ravenswood.....	777	J. B. Irwin.....	6	60	6	6 60
Gurney.....	778	Chas. W. Murrie.....	355	35 50	6	41 50
Wright's Grove.....	779	Herbert E. Richards.....	5	50	6	6 50
Siloam.....	780	Orville H. Trav s.....	4	40	6	6 40
Potomac.....	782	H. M. Luckey.....	121	12 10	6	18 10
Constantia.....	783	Martin G. Seifert.....	1	10	6	6 10
Beacon Light.....	784	Trumas Weston.....	11	1 10	6	7 10
Riverton Union.....	786	George C. Fetter.....	191	19 10	6	25 10
Morris.....	787	A. J. Koenlgsmark.....	304	30 40	6	36 40
Lerna.....	788	W. H. Wil iams.....	178	17 80	6	23 80
Auburn Park.....	789	Clyde E. Tallman.....	8	80	6	6 80
Pittsfield.....	790	W. A. Reed.....	254	25 40	6	31 40
Broadlands.....	791	Harry Allen.....	155	15 50	6	21 50
Calhoun.....	792	John T. Linkogle.....	272	27 20	6	33 20
A. T. Darrah.....	793	C. N. Hoeg.....	165	16 50	6	22 50
Tadmor.....	794	L. A. Karber.....	329	32 90	6	38 90
Myrtle.....	795	Louis A. Lang.....	7	70	6	6 70
E. M. Husted.....	796	W. A. Jolley.....	237	23 70	6	29 70
Normal Park.....	797	Frank M. Hallenbeck.....	7	70	6	6 70
Sidell.....	798	A. W. Oliver.....	146	14 60	6	20 60
Colfax.....	799	Harry A. Arnold.....	119	11 90	6	17 90
Kenwood.....	800	Isaac N. Powell.....	4	40	6	6 40
Sangamon.....	801	Paul T. Condit.....	124	12 40	6	18 40
Williamson.....	802	W. B. Miller.....	317	31 70	6	37 70
Neponset.....	803	Charles L. Higgins.....	123	12 30	6	18 30

REPRESENTATIVES—Continued

LODGE.	NO	REPRESENTATIVE	Miles	Mileage...	Per Diem.	Total
Kensington.....	804	Jas. McLeod.....	13	\$ 1 30	\$4	\$ 5 30
S. M. Dalzell.....	805	J. W. McIntyre.....	104	10 40	6	16 40
Nebo.....	806	R. Wall.....	261	26 10	6	32 10
Royal.....	807	M. A. Cullins.....	300	30 00	6	36 00
Cornland.....	808	J. T. Irving.....	172	17 20	6	23 20
Gillham.....	809	Daniel R. Elam.....	252	25 20	6	31 20
Tracy.....	810	Howard S. Simpson.....	13	1 30	6	7 30
Melvin.....	811	George T. Harsch.....	100	10 00	6	16 00
De Land.....	812	J. H. Wood.....	150	15 00	6	21 00
Humboldt Park.....	813	Chas. J. Fanselou.....	5	50	6	6 50
Ohio.....	814	Frank F. Anderson.....	103	10 30	6	16 30
Lawn.....	815	W. H. Turney.....	8	80	6	6 80
Ridgway.....	816	S. M. Combs.....	299	29 90	6	35 90
Creal Springs.....	817	John L. Whitesides.....	336	33 60	6	39 60
Ben Hur.....	818	Wm. T. Heineman.....	7	70	6	6 70
Columbian.....	819	Charles H. Roth.....	5	50	6	6 50
Henderson.....	820	Charles T. McLean.....	157	15 70	6	21 70
New Canton.....	821	C. L. Hopkins.....	282	28 20	6	34 20
Belknap.....	822	W. T. Lauthlin.....	346	34 60	6	40 60
Pearl.....	823	M. W. Hooker.....	115	11 50	6	17 50
Grove.....	824	W. H. Shaffer.....	21	2 10	6	8 10
Arthur.....	825	Chas. D. Robinson.....	162	16 20	6	22 20
Mazon.....	826	J. F. Gardner.....	71	7 10	6	13 10
Sequoit.....	827	Frank B. Huber.....	55	5 50	6	11 50
Edgar.....	829	John W. Bott.....	154	15 40	6	21 40
Rockport.....	830	B. B. Harton.....	300	30 00	6	36 00
Findlay.....	831	Clarence A. Tucker.....	205	20 50	6	26 50
Magic City.....	832	Jno. S. Van Deusen.....	23	2 30	6	8 30
Dean.....	833	John Bennet.....	321	32 10	6	38 10
Toledo.....	834	Wm. L. Smith.....	187	18 70	6	24 70
Triple.....	835	Eugene M. Porter.....	278	27 80	6	33 80
Windsor Park.....	836	Reidway Moe.....	7	70	6	6 70
Hindsboro.....	837	W. C. Watson.....	168	16 80	6	22 80
Charity.....	838	L. D. Armstrong.....	197	19 70	6	25 70
Barwyn.....	839	C. W. Ostrander.....	10	1 00	6	7 00
Alto Pass.....	840	J. Arthur Gates.....	332	33 20	6	39 20
Woodlawn Park.....	841	H. D. Jackson.....	8	80	6	6 80
Fides.....	842	Ernest W. Stueking.....	17	1 70	6	7 70
Park Lodge.....	843	Albert J. Carr.....	10	1 00	6	7 00
Martinton.....	845	E. A. Silfils.....	68	6 80	6	12 80
Bluffs.....	846	H. D. Kilpatrick.....	232	23 20	6	29 20
Stronghurst.....	847	Geo. T. Chant.....	213	21 30	6	27 30
London.....	848	F. L. Miller.....	183	18 30	6	24 30
Palestine.....	849	Jno. M. Foreman.....	212	21 20	6	27 20
Austin.....	850	H. E. Marlow.....	7	70	6	6 70
Chicago Heights.....	851	Robt. Law on.....	27	2 70	6	8 70
Gothic.....	852	W. C. Watkins.....	281	28 10	6	34 10
Latham.....	853	John W. Gray.....	185	18 50	6	24 50
Brighton Park.....	854	James McLaughlin.....	6	60	6	6 60
King Oscar.....	855	Bund Thu Hemihsa.....	12	1 20	6	7 20
West Gate.....	856	Charles L. Wood.....	271	27 10	6	33 10
Boyd D.....	857	Robert F. Riddle.....	67	6 70	6	12 70
Utica.....	858	J. F. Blakeslee.....	94	9 40	6	15 40
Apple River.....	859	M. J. Tyson.....	144	14 40	6	20 40
Metropolitan.....	860	J. C. Jones.....	5	50	6	6 50
Sorento.....	861	N. J. Bollenbaugh.....	248	24 80	6	30 80
Riverside.....	862	W. L. Shepard.....	12	1 20	6	7 20
St. Andrews.....	863	A. Davis.....	1	10	6	6 10
Olympia.....	864	J. A. Goetsch.....	4	40	6	6 40
St. Cecilia.....	865	C. H. Crowell.....	1	10	6	6 10
West Salem.....	866	W. S. Rothrock.....	248	24 80	6	30 80
Chadwick.....	867	T. F. Shultz.....	130	13 00	6	19 00
Cornell.....	868	H. R. Dicken.....	105	10 50	6	16 50
Maywood.....	869	L. E. Binch.....	7	70	6	6 70
Lostant.....	870	Wm. S. hoenneshafer.....	113	11 30	6	17 30

REPRESENTATIVES—Continued.

LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles.....	Mileage...	Per Diem.	Total.....
Argenta	871	Harry Parr.....	163	\$16 30	\$6	\$22 30
Free Will	872	C. F. Stanner.....	132	13 20	6	19 20
Standard	873	C. A. Luse.....	1	10	6	6 10
Nifong	874	J. B. Johnson.....	215	21 50	6	27 50
Cornerstone	875	Ed. Beecroft.....	1	10	6	6 10
William McKinley.....	876	M. C. Olson.....	2	20	6	6 20
Granite City.....	877	Wm. Harris.....	275	27 50	6	33 50
Equity.....	878	B. N. Dean.....	4	40	6	6 40
John B. Sherman.....	880	Otto Drews.....	6	60	6	6 60
Marissa.....	881	W. C. Stewart.....	318	31 80	6	37 80
Boulevard.....	8 2	C. H. Moss.....	4	40	6	6 40
Wheeler.....	883	Philip Mason.....	210	21 00	6	27 00
Bethany.....	884	Edgar N- wton Six.....	193	19 30	6	25 30
Villa Grove.....	885	G. L. Kennedy.....	145	14 50	6	20 50
Hoopole.....	886	Carl Lorenzen.....	152	15 20	6	21 20
Pyramid.....	887	M. E. Bundy.....	18	1 80	6	7 80
Damascus.....	888	W. R. Goodhart.....	8	80	6	6 80
America.....	889	H. Gronert.....	1	10	6	6 10
Des Plaines.....	890	Phillip A. Parsons.....	25	2 50	6	8 50
Lorraine.....	893	J. O. Wade.....	285	28 50	6	34 50
Utopia.....	894	Benj. Busch.....	4	40	6	6 40
Crescent.....	895	D. S. Davidson.....	8	80	6	6 80
Kosmos.....	896	F. E. Frosch.....	6	60	6	6 60
Ogden Park.....	897	Jno. Watterson.....	9	90	6	6 90
Sevis.....	898	A. C. Hansen.....	162	16 20	4	20 20
Park Manor.....	899	W. H. Hurton.....	8	80	6	6 80
Carnation.....	900	E. P. Jones.....	4	40	6	6 40
Edgewater.....	901	J. A. Frund.....	9	90	6	6 90
Alto.....	902	J. M. Dunn.....	77	7 70	4	11 70
Elkhart.....	903	Logan Barber.....	169	16 90	6	22 90
Carlock.....	904	E. E. Farmer.....	203	20 30	6	26 30
Hanover.....	905	T. D. Shipton.....	158	15 80	6	21 80
Coffeen.....	906	J. H. Grigg.....	228	22 80	6	28 80
Ancient Craft.....	907	David Gershin.....	8	80	6	6 80
Gil. W. Barnard.....	908	O. L. Banks.....	10	1 00	6	7 00
Bee Hive.....	909	S. A. De Lue.....	6	6	6	6 60
Hull.....	910	G. W. Lawrence.....	303	30 30	6	36 30
Bellflower.....	911	Jos. M. Jordan.....	126	12 60	6	18 60
Stellar.....	912	John Gillespie.....	236	23 60	6	29 60
Aa on.....	913	A. L. D nman.....	6	60	6	6 60
Republic.....	914	F. A. Brown.....	6	60	6	6 60
Jackson Park.....	915	W. C. Brickman.....	6	60	6	6 60
Welcome.....	916	J. B. Child.....	1	10	6	6 10
Concord.....	917	R. C. Clark.....	6	60	6	6 60

All of which is fraternally submitted,

W. F. BECK,

G. A. LACKENS.

H. T. GODDARD,

Committee.

The report of the Committee was adopted.

REPORT—Committee to Examine Visitors.

The report of the Committee to Examine Visitors was read and adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M.

Your Committee to Examine Visitors have the honor to report that they have examined all visitors who have presented themselves for that purpose during the present session of the Grand Lodge and have vouched for them to the Grand Tyler.

Dated this 13th day of October, 1910.

CHAS. H. MARTIN,
S. S. BORDEN,
A. H. SCROGIN,
R. F. MORROW,
LAWRENCE C. JOHNSON,
Committee.

AMENDMENT—Proposed.

Bro. B. A. Cotlow, of Oregon Lodge No. 420, called up the amendment to Sec. 6, Art. 20, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws introduced last year, and offered an amendment to the proposed amendment. A doubt was raised as to this procedure. The question was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, to report at this session.

AMENDMENT—Adopted.

R.W. Bro. John C. Weis called up the amendment to Sec. 6, Art. 20, Part 2, By-Laws, proposed last year, and moved its adoption.

The section as amended reads as follows:

Section 6. No visitor shall be admitted to any lodge under this jurisdiction unless lawfully vouched for as a Master Mason in good standing; but if not so vouched for, he shall be required to furnish documentary evidence as to the name and number of his lodge, and to take the Test Oath in addition to strict trial and due examination of his knowledge of Masonry.

The amendment was adopted.

AMENDMENT—Adopted.

Bro. Elmer E. Beach called up the amendment to Sec. 7, Art. 23, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws, proposed last year.

The section as amended reads as follows :

Section 7. In the formation of new lodges the recommending lodges must be chartered lodges. Every recommendation for the formation of a new lodge emanating from a chartered lodge, shall certify that by means of a thorough examination by a competent committee the lodge has ascertained that the applicants are worthy Master Masons in good standing and that it has verified all the statements contained in the petition under consideration, and that said petition was read to the lodge in full at the meeting when received and again at the meeting when vote was taken, and no recommendation shall be granted by any lodge without the affirmative ballot of two-thirds of the members present at a stated communication. All resident members shall be notified by mail of the pending application, and the date when vote thereon will be taken. Such recommendation shall set forth the date of the meetings of the lodge at which the request was received and acted upon, the number of votes cast for and against the same and the number of members belonging to the lodge recommending. In a city where concurrent jurisdiction exists, any three lodges out of the six lodges nearest the proposed location of the new lodge may recommend the formation of a new lodge in such city. In all places outside of such concurrent jurisdiction, it must be the three nearest lodges whether within or without corporate limits: Provided that where the nearest lodges are within the city the consent of the outside lodges whose territorial jurisdiction is abridged, must also be obtained. Provided, further, that the Grand Lodge may, on the recommendation of the Grand Master, issue a dispensation for the formation of a new lodge, outside a city or town having three or more lodges, on the recommendation of two out of the three nearest lodges.

The amendment was adopted.

AMENDMENTS—Proposed.

R.W. Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler offered the following amendment to Grand Lodge By-Laws. It being seconded by representatives of more than twenty lodges, lies over until next year.

WHEREAS, We recognize the fact that the Masonic fraternity owes a duty to the destitute sojourning brother and his dependents, and,

WHEREAS, The necessary and proper help can be given to the sojourner in distress more efficiently by an organization which has that particular feature of the charitable work of our order in its sole charge, and,

WHEREAS, It has been conclusively shown by experience that indiscriminate giving by the Masters of individual lodges or the members thereof, without proper investigation, encourages impostors and frauds and in many instances enables the unworthy to receive benefits to which they are not entitled and causes the worthy to be discountenanced and to go unassisted;

Therefore, We propose the following amendments to the by-laws of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A.F. and A.M. of the State of Illinois, to be known as Article XVI, Part I.

Section 1. A Masonic Board of Relief is hereby established in every city of the state of Illinois having a population of twenty thousand (20,000) inhabitants or more.

Section 2. Every Masonic Board of Relief established by section one (1) hereof shall investigate or cause to be investigated all requests made upon it, for assistance, by sojourning members of the Masonic fraternity or their dependents and shall, if it finds an applicant worthy, extend such assistance as it deems consistent with the needs of the applicant and the financial condition of such Board of Relief.

Section 3. Each subordinate lodge situated in a city where a Masonic Board of Relief is established by section one (1) hereof shall, at its annual communication, elect one of its members as its representative to said Masonic Board of Relief or in case the lodge fails to elect such representative, it shall be the duty of the Master to appoint such representative at the first stated communication following his installation.

Section 4. The representatives of the various lodges located in each of the said cities and elected or appointed as provided in section 3 hereof, shall constitute the Masonic Board of Relief for their respective cities. Such representatives shall meet not less than once every three (3) months and shall elect such officers as they may deem necessary and shall adopt such by-laws as they may deem necessary and proper for the orderly conduct of the business of such Masonic Board of Relief, provided that such by-laws shall not be inconsistent with the landmarks, constitution or by-laws of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A.F. and A.M. of the State of Illinois.

Section 5. Each constituent lodge located in a city wherein a Masonic Board of Relief is established by section one (1) hereof shall pay

annually to such Masonic Board of Relief an amount not in excess of ten (10) cents for each of its members. Such amount shall be fixed by each Masonic Board of Relief for the city wherein it is located and shall be paid by each constituent lodge in such installments, as the same may be called for by the said Masonic Board of Relief, within thirty (30) days after notice of such call has been sent by said board to the constituent lodge.

REPORT—Committee on Bonds.

M.W. Bro. Alexander H. Bell, of the Special Committee on Bonds, offered an amendment to Art. 6, Part I, of the Grand Lodge By-Laws, by adding Section 5, and it being seconded by representatives of more than twenty lodges, lies over until next year.

To the M.W. Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M. of the State of Illinois:

The undersigned who were appointed as a special committee to report to this Grand Lodge the form of a bond to be hereafter used by the Grand Treasurer, and Grand Secretary, respectfully report; that to effectuate the end desired it is necessary to amend the by-laws of this Grand Lodge, and we accordingly offer the following amendment:

Amend article 6, part one, Grand Lodge By-Laws, by adding thereto section 5 as follows:

Section 5. The bond required to be given by the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary respectively shall be in the following form:

“Know all men by these presents that we as principal and as sureties are held and firmly bound unto the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois in the penal sum ofdollars, for the payment of which well and truly to be made we bind ourselves, our heirs, administrators and assigns jointly, severally and firmly by these presents.

The condition of the foregoing obligation is such that whereas the above bounden has been duly elected as Grand of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois for the ensuing Masonic year of said Grand Lodge. Now if the said as such Grand.....shall well and truly do and perform the duties of his said office as such Grand as prescribed by the laws and regulations of said Grand Lodge or as may be during his said term of office lawfully required of him, and shall faithfully keep and preserve all books, records, moneys

and things of value belonging to said Grand Lodge, and coming to his hands by virtue of his said office, and shall faithfully account for the same when so required and shall pay over to his successor in office all such books, records, moneys and things of value, then this obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

As witness our hands and seals on this.....day of.....A.D. 19...

.....(Seal.)
.....(Seal.)
.....(Seal.)
.....(Seal.)
.....(Seal.)

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. H. BELL,
OWEN SCOTT,
Committee.

REPORT—Committee on Jurisprudence.

M.W. Bro. Edward Cook presented the following report from the Committee on Jurisprudence.

On motion it was adopted.

To the M.W. Grand Lodge:

The Jurisprudence Committee to whom was referred the question as to whether an amendment, which under the constitution has laid over for one year, and is now before the Grand Lodge for action thereon, is itself amendable, respectfully reports that in section 2, article 16 of the Constitution, it is provided that every alteration, addition or amendment shall be proposed in writing at a regular communication of the Grand Lodge, if seconded by twenty representatives, the amendment shall lie over one year, be printed in the minutes, and if adopted by a two-thirds vote it shall become a part of the By-laws.

This constitutional provision your committee regards as decisive and we report that the amendment now pending in this Grand Lodge, having laid over for one year must be adopted or rejected in the form in which it appears in the proceedings of this Grand Lodge of last year.

The proposed amendment to such pending amendment is therefore in the opinion of your committee, not in order.

And we further report that no amendment to the By-laws touching this jurisdiction is needed and would be useless if not altogether uncon-

stitutional because the constitutional provision referred to is decisive of this question. If any change is needed it is the constitution that should be amended and not the by-laws.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD COOK,
A. H. BELL,
C. E. ALLEN,
Jurisprudence Committee.

REPORT—Committee on Petitions.

Bro. F. E. Baldwin, Chairman of the Committee on Petitions, presented the following report, which was adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Illinois, A.F. & A.M.:

Your Committee on Petition of John H. Howard for restoration to good standing in the fraternity, shows that he was expelled by Black Hawk Lodge No. 238, on August 5, 1905. It appears from the certificate of the secretary of Black Hawk lodge that said lodge by unanimous vote of the members present at a stated communication concurred in said petition. We therefore recommend that the petitioner be restored to good standing in the fraternity.

2. The petition of William J. Howard shows that he was formerly a member of Eddyville Lodge No. 672, and that he was expelled therefrom in July, 1886, for unmasonic conduct. The endorsement of the secretary of Eddyville lodge upon said petition shows that eight out of the nine members present at a stated communication, voted to recommend that the petition be granted. Your committee, therefore, recommends that the petitioner be restored to good standing in the fraternity.

3. The endorsement of the secretary of Winchester Lodge No. 105 upon the petition of Paul Carey for restoration, shows that said petition failed to receive the required two-thirds majority of the members present and voting thereon. This petition should not have been transmitted to the Grand Secretary, and for this reason your committee recommend that no action be taken.

Fraternally submitted,

F. E. BALDWIN,
C. M. CARPENTER,
S. O. PEARCE,
Committee.

AMENDMENT—Lost.

Bro. B. A. Cotlow again called up the amendment to Sec. 6, Art. 20, Part 2, proposed last year, and moved its adoption.

The amendment was lost.

AMENDMENT—Proposed.

Bro. B. A. Cotlow, of Oregon Lodge No. 420, offered the following amendment to Sec. 6, Art. 20, Part 2, of the Grand Lodge By-Laws, and it being seconded by representatives of more than twenty lodges, lies over until next year.

Amend Section 6, Article 20, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws:

Section 6. When a member of a lodge desires to change his membership to another lodge and wishes to know whether he will be accepted by it before severing his connection with his lodge, he shall give his lodge notice in writing of his intentions. This notice shall be read in open lodge at a stated meeting and lie over till the next or some subsequent stated meeting, when if there are no formal charges against him and his dues are paid four months in advance, the Secretary shall issue to him a certificate under seal of the lodge showing that the dues have been paid as aforesaid and stating for what purposes the certificate is issued. This certificate may be deposited with his petition in the lodge he wishes to join at any time within two months of its date and be treated as the necessary documentary evidence referred to in Section 4, Article 13, Part 2, of these By-laws. If he is elected to membership in the petitioned lodge, the Secretary thereof shall immediately notify the first lodge and the petitioner's membership therein shall cease from the time such notice is received. If such notice is not received within four months from the date of the certificate, he shall forfeit any rights and privileges acquired by means of it, be still a member of the original lodge and chargeable with dues therein. Nothing of this section shall operate to change the law regarding dimit or affiliation thereon—nor shall it be construed to permit a change of membership from one lodge to another except by regular dimit if both lodges are in the same city or town.

ROLL CALL OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The Grand Secretary called the roll of Representatives of other Grand Lodges, near the Grand Lodge of Illinois. The following representatives did not respond:

Manitoba	Oregon
New Hampshire	Prince Edward Island
New Mexico	South Australia
New Zealand	South Dakota
North Dakota	Texas
	West Virginia

M.W. Bro. Monroe C. Crawford was elected by the representatives to respond for them, which he did in a very happy manner.

An invitation was extended by Thomas J. Turner Lodge to attend a lecture Thursday evening, October 13.

AMENDMENT—Proposed.

Bro. Franklin S. Catlin, W.M. of Oriental Lodge No. 33, presented an amendment to Section 1, Art. 15, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws, and it being seconded by representatives of more than twenty lodges, lies over until next year.

Add the following words to the section as it now stands: Subject to the provisions of Sec. 2, Art. 2, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws.

The section when amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Any candidate for the degrees who has been rejected in a lodge having jurisdiction may renew his application after the expiration of one year from the date of such rejection, to the same lodge, only, if it be in existence: *Provided*, that such lodge may waive jurisdiction, as provided in Sections 6 and 8, of Article 13, Part 2. The personal jurisdiction which a lodge acquires over a candidate by rejecting his petition for the degrees is not affected by the lapse of time, nor by his removal elsewhere, subject to the provisions of Sec. 2, Art. 2, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws.

The Grand Master announced that the bonds of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary for the ensuing year had been filed with him.

GRAND OFFICERS.

The Grand Secretary read the list of the elected and appointed officers, as follows:

ALBERT B. ASHLEY, M.W. Grand Master.
 DELMAR D. DARRAH, R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
 HENRY T. BURNAP, R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
 RALPH H. WHEELER, R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
 LEROY A. GODDARD, R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 ISAAC CUTTER, R.W. Grand Secretary.
 W. W. WEADON, R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 W. W. WILSON, R.W. Grand Orator.
 GEO. A. STADLER, W. Deputy Grand Secretary.
 N. J. CARY, W. Grand Pursuivant.
 A. W. WEST, W. Grand Marshal.
 JAMES JOHN, W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 NORMAN M. MESNARD, W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 T. E. GILLESPIE, W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 W. H. PEAK, W. Junior Grand Deacon.
 R. G. BRIGHT, W. Grand Steward.
 H. S. ALBIN, W. Grand Steward.
 CHAS. F. TENNEY, W. Grand Steward.
 JAMES L. SCOTT, W. Grand Steward.
 CHESTER S. GURNEY, Bro. Grand Tyler.

INSTALLATION.

M.W. Bro. Geo. M. Moulton, assisted by M.W. Bro. Owen Scott as Grand Marshal, installed all the officers, with the exception of the Grand Chaplain.

The W.M. of Lincoln Park Lodge No. 611, on behalf of his lodge, presented the M.W. Grand Master with a certificate of honorary membership in Lincoln Park Lodge.

The M.W. Grand Master responded in a very happy manner.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Grand Secretary read the names of the brethren comprising the standing committees.

MASONIC JURISPRUDENCE—Edward Cook, A. H. Bell, J. C. Smith, C. E. Allen, W. B. Wright.

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES—M. C. Crawford, J. E. Dyas, Geo. R. Smith, H. H. Montgomery, Hugh A. Snell.

CHARTERED LODGES—C. F. Hitchcock, C. M. Turner, S. M. Schoemann, Elmer E. Beach, Phil Barclay.

LODGES UNDER DISPENSATION—H. C. Mitchell, John Johnston, I. H. Todd, John W. Hamilton, C. H. Martin.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM—W. F. Beck, G. A. Lackens, H. T. Goddard.

FINANCE—S. O. Spring, Nelson N. Lampert, Thomas A. Stevens.

TRUSTEES MASONIC HOMES—Wm. A. Dixon, R. J. Daly, for three years.

CORRESPONDENCE—Owen Scott.

GRAND EXAMINERS—S. S. Borden, Austin H. Scrogin, Richard F. Morrow, L. C. Johnson, J. M. Hannum.

The minutes were then read and approved.

CLOSED.

At 11:30 a. m. no further business appearing, the M.W. Grand Master closed the M.W. Grand Lodge in AMPLE FORM.



GRAND MASTER.

ATTEST

GRAND SECRETARY.

M. W. Grand Master's Address—
DECATUR, ILLINOIS.

PERMANENT MEMBERS.

- M.W. Bro. W. H. Scott, P.G.M., Metropolis No. 91.
M.W. Bro. John R. Thomas, P.G.M., Metropolis No. 91.
M.W. Bro. John C. Smith, P.G.M., Miners No. 273.
M.W. Bro. Monroe C. Crawford, P.G.M., Jonesboro No. 111.
M.W. Bro. Leroy A. Goddard, P.G.M., Fellowship No. 89.
M.W. Bro. Owen Scott, P.G.M., Wade Barney No. 512.
M.W. Bro. Edward Cook, P.G.M., Blaney No. 271.
M.W. Bro. Charles F. Hitchcock, P.G.M., Temple No. 46.
M.W. Bro. George M. Moulton, P.G.M., Covenant No. 526.
M.W. Bro. William B. Wright, P.G.M., Effingham No. 149
M.W. Bro. Chester E. Allen, P.G.M., Alpha No. 155.
M.W. Bro. Alexander H. Bell, P.G.M., Mt. Nebo No. 76.
M.W. Bro. Albert B. Ashley, G.M., LaGrange No. 770.
R.W. Bro. Charles Fisher, P.D.G.M., Central No. 71.
R.W. Bro. W. J. A. DeLancey, P.D.G.M., Centralia No. 201.
R.W. Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, D.G.M., Bloomington No. 43.
R.W. Bro. Henry E. Hamilton, P.S.G.W., Lincoln Park No. 611.
R.W. Bro. Henry T. Burnap, S.G.W., Franklin No. 25.
R.W. Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, J.G.W., America No. 880.

OFFICERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS,

ELECTED AT ITS FORMATION ON THE 6th OF APRIL, A. D. 1840, AND IN THE FOLLOWING OCTOBER OF THE SAME YEAR, AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER TO THE PRESENT TIME.

When elected	GRAND MASTERS.	D. G. MASTERS.	S. G. WARDENS.	J. G. WARDENS.	GRAND TREASURERS.	GRAND SECRETARIES.
1840	*Abraham Jonas	*James Adams	*W. S. Vance	*H. Rogers	*Alexander Dunlap	*Wm. B. Warren
1840	*Abraham Jonas	*James Adams	*Alexander Dunlap	*Harrison Dills	*Philip Coffman	*Wm. B. Warren
1841	*Abraham Jonas	*Mereditb Helm	*Alexander Dunlap	*Harrison Dills	*Philip Coffman	*Wm. B. Warren
1842	*Mereditb Helm	*Alexander Dunlap	*Levi Lusk	*Joseph N. Raiston	*Philip Coffman	*Wm. B. Warren
1843	*Alexander Dunlap	*Levi Lusk	*William Hodge	*Henry Brother	*Philip Coffman	*Wm. B. Warren
1844	*Levi Lusk	*Arding Jackson	*David Allen	*Neison D. Morse	*Philip Coffman	*Levi Lusk
1845	*Rev. Wm. F. Walker	*Neison D. Morse	*Edgar K. Bogardus	*John K. Crandall	*James L. Anderson	*William Mitchell
1846	*Neison D. Morse	*William Lavelly	*John K. Crandall	*Adam Brewer	*Wm. McMurtury	*William Mitchell
1847	*William Lavelly	*John K. Crandall	*Joseph C. Ketchum	*Matthias Taylor	*Wm. McMurtury	*William Mitchell
1848	*William Lavelly	*Edward R. Roe	*Joseph C. Ketchum	*William E. Hobbs	*Wm. McMurtury	*William Mitchell
1849	*William C. Hobbs	*John H. Holton	*Joseph C. Ketchum	*William E. Russell	*Wm. McMurtury	*Wm. B. Warren
1850	*C. G. Y. Taylor	*Thomas J. Pickett	*Wm. W. Bennet	*Daniel C. McNeil	*Wm. McMurtury	*Harmon G. Reynolds
1851	*Thomas J. Pickett	*Elias Hibbard	*Eli B. Ames	*Carlton Drake	*Wm. McMurtury	*Harmon G. Reynolds
1852	*Eli B. Ames	*Benjamin L. Wiley	*Isaac R. Diller	*James L. Anderson	*Wm. McMurtury	*Harmon G. Reynolds
1853	*William B. Warren	*James L. Anderson	*T. O. Wilson	*James L. Anderson	*Wm. McMurtury	*Harmon G. Reynolds
1854	*James L. Anderson	*T. O. Wilson	*James H. Hibbard	*William H. Turner	*Wm. McMurtury	*Harmon G. Reynolds
1855	*William B. Herrick	*James H. Hibbard	*James H. Hibbard	*Elijah M. Haines	*Wm. McMurtury	*Harmon G. Reynolds
1856	*James H. Hibbard	*Jas. V. Z. Blaney	*Jerome R. Gorin	*William A. Dickey	*Wm. McMurtury	*Harmon G. Reynolds
1857	*Harrison Dills	*James H. Matheny	*Harrison Dills	*Fergus M. Blair	*Wm. McMurtury	*Harmon G. Reynolds
1858	*Ira A. W. Buck	*Fergus M. Blair	*Fergus M. Blair	*A. J. Kuykendall	*Wm. McMurtury	*Harmon G. Reynolds
1859	*Ira A. W. Buck	*Fergus M. Blair	*A. J. Kuykendall	*Silas C. Tolet	*Wm. McMurtury	*Harmon G. Reynolds
1860	*Ira A. W. Buck	*Fergus M. Blair	*A. J. Kuykendall	*Silas C. Tolet	*Wm. McMurtury	*Harmon G. Reynolds
1861	*F. M. Blair	*Silas C. Tolet	*Asa W. Blakesley	*John C. Baker	*Wm. McMurtury	*Harmon G. Reynolds
1862	*F. M. Blair	*John C. Baker	*Jerome R. Gorin	*John C. Baker	*J. R. Mack	*Harmon G. Reynolds
1863	*Thomas J. Turner	*Jerome R. Gorin	*H. P. H. Bromwell	*Edwin F. Babcock	*Harrison Dills	*Harmon G. Reynolds
1864	*Thomas J. Turner	*H. P. H. Bromwell	*Edwin F. Babcock	*Nathan W. Huntley	*Harrison Dills	*Harmon G. Reynolds
1865	*H. P. H. Bromwell	*Jerome R. Gorin	*Nathan W. Huntley	*Charles Fisher	*Harrison Dills	*Harmon G. Reynolds
1866	*Jerome R. Gorin	*Nathan W. Huntley	*Charles Fisher	*Horace Hayward	*Harrison Dills	*Harmon G. Reynolds
1867	*Jerome R. Gorin	*Charles Fisher	*DeWitt C. Creghter	*James A. Hawley	*Harrison Dills	*Harmon G. Reynolds

*Deceased.

1868	*Harmon G. Reynolds	*De Witt C. Cregier...	*James A. Hawley...	*Geo. E. Lounsbury...	*Harrison Dills	*Orlin H. Miner...
1869	Harmon G. Reynolds	De Witt C. Cregier...	James A. Hawley...	Geo. E. Lounsbury...	Harrison Dills	Orlin H. Miner...
1870	*De Witt C. Cregier	*James A. Hawley...	*Geo. E. Lounsbury...	*Joseph Robbins...	Harrison Dills	Orlin H. Miner...
1871	De Witt C. Cregier	James A. Hawley...	Geo. E. Lounsbury...	Joseph Robbins...	Harrison Dills	Orlin H. Miner...
1872	*James A. Hawley	*Geo. E. Lounsbury...	*Joseph Robbins...	*Wm. J. A. DeLancey...	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1873	James A. Hawley	Geo. E. Lounsbury...	Joseph Robbins...	Wm. J. A. DeLancey...	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1874	*Geo. E. Lounsbury	*Joseph Robbins...	*Wm. J. A. DeLancey...	*Henry E. Hamilton...	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1875	Geo. E. Lounsbury	Joseph Robbins...	Wm. J. A. DeLancey...	Henry E. Hamilton...	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1876	*Joseph Robbins	*Wm. J. A. DeLancey...	*Henry E. Hamilton...	*Rev. William H. Scott	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1877	Joseph Robbins	Wm. J. A. DeLancey...	Henry E. Hamilton...	Rev. William H. Scott	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1878	*Theodore T. Gurney	*Rev. William H. Scott	*Louis Ziegler...	*Daniel M. Browning...	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1879	Theodore T. Gurney	Rev. William H. Scott	Louis Ziegler...	Daniel M. Browning...	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1880	Rev. William H. Scott	*Daniel M. Browning...	John R. Thomas	John R. Thomas	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1881	Rev. William H. Scott	Daniel M. Browning...	John R. Thomas	John R. Thomas	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1882	*Daniel M. Browning	*John R. Thomas	*Alex. T. Darrah...	*Henry C. Cleaveland	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1883	Daniel M. Browning	John R. Thomas	Alex. T. Darrah...	Henry C. Cleaveland	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1884	John R. Thomas	John C. Smith	John C. Smith	John C. Smith	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1885	*Alex. T. Darrah	*John C. Smith	*John M. Pearson...	*John M. Pearson...	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1886	Alex. T. Darrah	John C. Smith	John M. Pearson...	John M. Pearson...	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1887	John C. Smith	John M. Pearson...	Monroe C. Crawford...	Monroe C. Crawford...	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1888	John C. Smith	John M. Pearson...	Monroe C. Crawford...	Monroe C. Crawford...	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1889	John M. Pearson	Monroe C. Crawford...	Leroy A. Goddard...	Leroy A. Goddard...	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1890	John M. Pearson	Monroe C. Crawford...	Leroy A. Goddard...	Leroy A. Goddard...	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1891	Monroe C. Crawford	Leroy A. Goddard...	Owen Scott	Owen Scott	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1892	Monroe C. Crawford	Leroy A. Goddard...	Owen Scott	Owen Scott	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1893	Leroy A. Goddard	Owen Scott	Edward Cook	Edward Cook	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1894	Leroy A. Goddard	Owen Scott	Edward Cook	Edward Cook	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1895	Owen Scott	Edward Cook	C. F. Hitchcock	C. F. Hitchcock	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1896	Edward Cook	Edward Cook	C. F. Hitchcock	C. F. Hitchcock	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1897	Edward Cook	C. F. Hitchcock	Geo. M. Moulton...	Geo. M. Moulton...	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1898	Edward Cook	C. F. Hitchcock	Geo. M. Moulton...	Geo. M. Moulton...	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1899	Chas. F. Hitchcock	Geo. M. Moulton...	Wm. B. Wright	Wm. B. Wright	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1900	Chas. F. Hitchcock	Geo. M. Moulton...	Wm. B. Wright	Wm. B. Wright	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1901	Geo. M. Moulton	Wm. B. Wright	Chester E. Allen	Chester E. Allen	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1902	Geo. M. Moulton	Wm. B. Wright	Chester E. Allen	Chester E. Allen	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1903	Wm. B. Wright	Chester E. Allen	Alexander H. Bell	Alexander H. Bell	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1904	Wm. B. Wright	Chester E. Allen	Alexander H. Bell	Alexander H. Bell	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1905	Chester E. Allen	Alexander H. Bell	A. B. Ashley	A. B. Ashley	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1906	Chester E. Allen	Alexander H. Bell	A. B. Ashley	A. B. Ashley	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1907	Alexander H. Bell	A. B. Ashley	D. D. Darrah	D. D. Darrah	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1908	Alexander H. Bell	A. B. Ashley	D. D. Darrah	D. D. Darrah	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1909	A. B. Ashley	D. D. Darrah	H. T. Burnap...	H. T. Burnap...	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill
1910	A. B. Ashley	D. D. Darrah	H. T. Burnap...	H. T. Burnap...	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill

*Deceased.

+Expelled.

APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS.

GRAND CHAPLAIN.	GRAND ORATOR.	DEPUTY GRAND SECY.	GRAND PURSUIVANT.	W. GRAND MARSHAL.	STANDARD BEARER.	GRAND SWORD BEARER.
1846 Rev. H. W. Osborn*	S. A. Douglas*	W. D. McCann*	John Gregory*	S. W. Lucas*	L. Griffing*	William Ervin*
1847 F. A. McNell*	James Shields*	W. D. McCann*	John Gregory	A. C. Dixon*	M. Doyle*	Peter Sweat*
1848 F. A. McNell	J. H. Matheny*	Edward Jones*	John Gregory	A. C. Dixon.	J. P. Swisher*	John H. Holton*
1849 G. A. Patterson*	H. S. Cooley*	Adam Dunlap*	S. W. Lucas	P. Underwood*	J. P. Swiser	Clark B. Stebbins*
1846 Rev. Chas. Howard*	R. E. Smith*	Adam Dunlap	A. V. Putman	Mathew Stacy*	William Lavelly*	W. H. L. Wallace*
1845 Rev. Chas. V. Kelly*	William Stuart*	Chas. H. Larrabee*	R. F. Kippingburg*	John H. Holton*	William Ervin*	
1847 Rev. Chas. V. Kelly	Rev. Wm. F. Walker*	James Price*	Arnold K. Robinson*	William McMurry*	Peter Sweat*	
1846 Rev. N. P. Heath*	E. R. Roe*	R. W. Diller	Webb C. Quigley*	Peter Surat*	Clark B. Stebbins*	
1848 Rev. Chas. Howard*	George Davis*	R. W. Diller	William E. Russell*	H. G. Reynolds*	W. H. L. Wallace*	
1849 Rev. Brax'n Parish*	A. D. Caldwell*	R. W. Diller	Clark B. Stebbins*	Nathan English*	J. M. Scott*	
1850 Rev. J. T. Worthg'n*	J. T. Lindsay*	Silas Ramsey*	R. W. Scanland*	George W. Hotchkiss*	J. W. Smith*	
1851 Rev. Chas. Howard	George T. Brown*	Silas Ramsey*	W. W. Drummond*	Isaac R. Diller*	J. P. Waterhouse*	
1852 Rev. R. E. Gulbrife*	John Dean Caton*	John S. Winter*	J. W. Smith*	Amos Hill*	Wm. Kinman*	
1853 Rev. W. E. Johnson*	Charles E. Dodge*	Jacob W. Brewer*	Stephen B. neitt*	James Price*	Jonathan Young*	
1854 Rev. J. H. Hughes*	Isaac R. Diller	Jacob W. Brewer	McKinzie Turner*	Cyrus C. Palmer*	Robert Kelth*	
1855 Rev. J. H. Hughes*	Isaac R. Diller	John S. Winter	E. J. Higgins*	A. J. Kuykendall*	G. D. Moody*	
1856 Rev. Danl. P. Bunn*	James H. Matheny*	P. A. Whitaker*	E. J. Higgins	A. J. Kuykendall	Daniel Frost*	
1857 Rev. L. P. Clover*	J. M. Palmer*	Benj. F. Barry*	E. C. Sympton*	E. A. Whipple*	Lewis Keyon*	
1858 Rev. L. P. Clover	Abraham Jonas*	John S. Winter	C. C. Sympton	George R. McGregor*	Robert Gibson*	
1859 Rev. N. W. Miner*	Stephen A. Hurlbut*	John S. Winter	C. C. Sympton	Reuben Cleveland.*	Robert Gibson	
1860 Rev. Jas. L. Crane*	Ely S. Parker*	James Steeie*	N. W. Chapman*	David B. Irons*	John C. Baker	
1861 Rev. N. E. Cobbleigh*	H. P. H. Brommwell*	L. W. Shepherd*	D. D. Irons*	Reuben Cleveland*	Caleb Finch*	
1862 Rev. R. G. Hamilton*	H. P. H. Brommwell.	L. W. Shepherd*	D. W. Zinks*	J. M. Pearson.	G. W. Albin*	
1863 Rev. R. G. Hamilton	Allen C. Fuller*	John C. Reynolds*	Chas. T. Pace*	J. M. Pearson.	C. L. Underwood*	
1864 Rev. J. T. Orr*	Vincent Ridgely.	John C. Reynolds	Chas. T. Pace.	James Lowe*	Daniel G. Burr*	
1865 Rev. J. T. Tiffany*	M. W. Willis*	John C. Reynolds	Alonzo Ransom*	J. F. Alexander*	Daniel Frost*	
1866 Rev. O. H. Bunn*	J. I. Davidson*	John C. Reynolds	Chas. Spalding*	S. B. Dugger*	Daniel Frost	
1867 Rev. D. P. Bunn*	Newton Bateman*	John C. Reynolds	Chas. Spalding	J. F. Alexander*	Jay G. Callender*	
1868 Rev. D. P. Bunn	Joseph Robbins	John C. Reynolds	Geo. H. Raymonu*	Geo. W. Hartman*	Jay G. Callender*	
1869 Rev. J. I. Davidson*	H. P. H. Brommwell*	John C. Reynolds	Geo. W. Staley*	Geo. W. Hartman*	S. C. Bucknam*	
1870 Rev. Jno. W. Agard*	John M. Scott*	John C. Reynolds	Thos. J. Whitehead*	John F. Burrill†	John Evans*	
1871 Rev. Jno. W. Agard	Jerome R. Gorin*	John F. Burrill†	Wm. H. Eastman*	Thos. J. Whitehead.	Wm. H. Eastman*	
1872 Rev. Jno. W. Agard	T. T. Gurney*	John F. Burrill	Wm. H. Eastman*	W. H. Long	Isaac E. Hardy*	
1873 W. H. Scott	John Dougherty*	John F. Burrill	H. W. Dyer.	Harry Duvall.	Isaac E. Hardy	
1874 W. H. Scott	C. H. Patton*	Frank Hudson, Jr.	Thomas C. Clark.	Wm. H. Long.	Wm. E. Ginter.	
1875 George W. Martin.	George M. McConnell	Frank Hudson, Jr.	E. P. Chathfield.	A. H. Irvin.	Wm. H. Long.	
1876 George W. Martin.	R. S. Dement*	Frank Hudson, Jr.	John A. Ladd	Alexander H. Irvin*	George W. Cyrus.	
1877 George W. Martin.	Alfred Sample*	Frank Hudson, Jr.	John P. Norvell*	John A. Ladd.	Geo. W. Cyrus.	
1878 George W. Martin.	John R. Thomas.	Frank Hudson, Jr.	John P. Norvell.	John A. Ladd.	John R. Thomas.	
1879 George W. Martin.	John P. Norvell*.	Frank Hudson, Jr.	Chas. M. Carter.	Henry C. Cleveland*	Loyal L. Munn*	
				Henry C. Cleveland.	Loyal L. Munn	Daniel Brewster.

*Deceased.

1880	John D. Gillham	W. H. Williamson	Frank Hudson, Jr	Chas. M. Carter	James C. McMurtry*	Owen Scott	Thomas Moore
1881	John D. Gillham	Owen Scott	Leslie A. Munn	Chas. M. Carter	James C. McMurtry	John C. Bagby	F. A. Halliday
1882	John D. Gillham	William J. Allen	Leslie A. Munn	Thos. S. Mather*	James C. McMurtry	John C. Bagby	F. A. Halliday
1883	John D. Gillham	F. M. Youngblood	Leslie A. Munn	Thos. S. Mather*	James C. McMurtry*	Rowley Page	John W. Thrift
1884	Geo. W. Scawthon	W. S. Hooper	Leslie A. Munn	Eugene L. Stoker*	Rowley Page*	W. H. Curtin*	B. Mendenhall
1885	Geo. W. Scawthon	Isaac Clements	D. B. Breed	Edw. L. Cronkrite	Rowley Page	W. H. Curtin	J. H. C. Dill*
1886	H. W. Thomas*	W. S. Hooper	Leslie A. Munn	B. F. Mason	W. A. Stevens	W. H. Curtin	J. H. C. Dill
1887	H. W. Thomas*	W. J. Calhoun	Leslie A. Munn	B. F. Mason	R. S. Gordon	Rowley Page	J. O. Hughes*
1888	H. W. Thomas*	Geo. C. Lorimer*	George L. Munn	B. F. Mason	R. S. Gordon	R. S. Gordon	E. A. Kratz
1889	F. M. Springer*	A. T. Wolf	George L. Munn	B. F. Mason	R. S. Gordon	N. E. Roberts	J. G. Marston
1890	F. M. Springer	Wm. W. Barr	Loyal L. Munn, Jr	B. F. Mason	R. S. Gordon	N. E. Roberts	J. G. Marston
1891	F. P. Davenport	Wm. W. Warvelle	Loyal L. Munn, Jr	John H. Mitchell	Haswell C. Clarke*	N. E. Roberts	J. G. Marston
1892	Ulysses G. Johnson	Geo. W. Black	G. H. B. Tolle	Pleas. T. Chapman	Walter Watson	John W. Swatek	J. S. McClelland*
1893	H. W. Thomas*	John C. Black	G. H. B. Tolle	Pleas. T. Chapman	William Hartzell*	Walter Watson	J. S. McClelland*
1894	H. W. Thomas	John C. Black	G. H. B. Tolle	Pleas. T. Chapman	W. O. Butler	Walter Watson	Cicero J. Lindley
1895	Jerome K. Gorin*	Adlai E. Stevenson	G. H. B. Tolle	Cicero J. Lindley	H. C. Clarke	Walter Watson	Cicero J. Lindley
1896	Horace W. Bolton	W. H. Milburn*	G. H. B. Tolle	Joseph D. Everett	Cicero J. Lindley	Walter Watson	R. T. Spencer
1897	Abel M. White	W. H. Mason	G. H. B. Tolle	Walter Watson	Joseph D. Everett	Walter Watson	Adam Ortsseifen
1898	Frank Crane	W. H. Milburn*	Geo. A. Stadler	Walter Watson	Joseph D. Everett	Adam Ortsseifen	Phillip Maas
1899	Nelson G. Lyons	Water Reeves*	Geo. A. Stadler	Thos. A. Stevens	Walter Watson	Jos. D. Everett	Saml. Cominberry
1900	Thos. B. T. Fisher	V. M. Blanding	Geo. A. Stadler	Thos. A. Stevens	Walter Watson	W. W. Watson	Saml. Cominberry
1901	J. P. Brushingham	Richard Yates	Geo. A. Stadler	Henry L. Whipple	Walter Watson	Herbert Preston*	Louis Zinger
1902	J. P. Brushingham	Geo. A. Stadler	Geo. A. Stadler	Henry L. Whipple	Walter Watson	Herbert Preston	Louis Zinger
1903	Joseph Stolz	Geo. A. Stadler	Geo. A. Stadler	Henry L. Whipple	Louis Zinger	W. H. Peak	J. R. Ennis
1904	J. W. VanCleve	Wm. A. Northcott	Geo. A. Stadler	Henry L. Whipple	Louis Zinger	W. H. Peak	J. R. Ennis
1905	W. S. Welsh	Herbert Preston*	Geo. A. Stadler	James McCredie	Louis Zinger	W. H. Peak	J. R. Ennis
1906	H. W. Thomas	Owen Scott	Geo. A. Stadler	James McCredie	Louis Zinger	W. O. Butler	J. R. Ennis
1907	H. W. Thomas	Rufus O. White	Geo. A. Stadler	James McCredie	Louis Zinger	W. O. Butler	J. R. Ennis
1908	Abraham Traugott	Elmer E. Beach	Geo. A. Stadler	Fred'ick W. Froelich	Louis Zinger	W. O. Butler	Jas. W. Willard
1909	Abraham Traugott	Euclid B. Rogers	Geo. A. Stadler	Fred'ick W. Froelich	Louis Zinger	W. O. Butler	Jas. W. Willard
1910	W. W. Weadon	Frank G. Smith	Geo. A. Stadler	N. J. Cary	A. W. West	James John	Norman M. Mesnard
		W. W. Wilson	Geo. A. Stadler	N. J. Cary	A. W. West	James John	Norman M. Mesnard

*Deceased.

*Suspended

†Expelled

APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS.—Continued.

SR. GRAND DEACON.	JR. GRAND DEACON.	GRAND STEWARD.	GRAND STEWARD.	GRAND STEWARD.	GRAND STEWARD.	GRAND TYLER.
1840 M. Helm*	J. Crocker*	Lucian B. Adams*	T. G. Johnson*			C. Ludlum*
1841 John Crockett**	Sam'l Mattlack*	James Magorian*	A. V. Putman*			Geo. Hackett*
1842 Samuel Mattlack*	John Prather*	A. V. Putman*				Geo. Hackett
1843 J. B. Conyers*	John Bennett*	L. C. Kercheval*				Geo. Hackett
1844 Peter Sweat*	Chas. H. Pringle*	H. C. Reman*				John Gregory*
1845 William Lavey*	Nathan Dresser*	John C. Heyl*	Samuel H. Davis*			D. M. Kittinger*
1846 A. C. Dickson*	R. F. Kippingburg*	Harrison Dillis*	Henry Kaussel*			D. M. Kittinger
1847 W. C. Hobbs*	R. B. Mills*	Timothy Souther*	E. J. Harper*			N. Christy
1848 W. W. Bennett*	Hosa J. Armstrong*	John Daley*	John Pahlman*			M. McNamara*
1849 P. A. Whitaker*	Webb C. Quigley*	John E. Rearden*	John T. Knox*			A. R. Robinson*
1850 P. A. Whitaker*	A. R. Stout*	J. W. Key*	Phares A. Dorwin*			A. R. Robinson
1851 R. W. Scanland*	A. W. Blakesley*	D. A. Morris*	Isaac Springer*			A. R. Robinson
1852 William S. Hurst*	R. S. Patterson*	Warren Brown*	McKenzie Turner*			A. R. Robinson
1853 John C. Heyl*	W. M. Eubanks*	Robert Brown*	Robert Keith*			A. R. Robinson
1854 John M. Scott*	R. W. Scantland*	Robert Keith*	Stephen Bennett*			A. R. Robinson
1855 W. W. Jackson*	Henry T. Mudd*	O. N. Stafford*	Ezra J. Higgins*			A. R. Robinson
1856 J. S. Reardon*	Daniel Frost*	O. N. Stafford	P. V. Van Norstrum*			A. R. Robinson
1857 Caesar A. Roberts*	James Monroe*	O. N. Stafford	Silas C. Toler*			A. R. Robinson
1858 Caesar A. Roberts	William Walsun*	O. N. Stafford	P. A. Dorwin*			A. R. Robinson
1859 Wm. V. Plum*	Thomas W. Hay*	Wm. A. Hacker*	O. N. Stafford*			A. R. Robinson
1860 Wm. M. Egan*	H. W. Hubbard*	Charles Fisher*	Charles Fisher*			A. R. Robinson
1861 J. C. Luckey*	John Bennett*	O. N. Stafford	O. N. Stafford			A. R. Robinson
1862 H. W. Hubbard*	Thomas W. Hay*	Charles Fisher*	O. N. Stafford			A. R. Robinson
1863 N. W. Huntly*	John Bennett*	Charles Fisher*	Wm. F. Elkin, Jr.*			A. R. Robinson
1864 Thomas W. Hay*	George Mason*	Charles Fisher*	Wm. F. Elkin, Jr.*			O. N. Stafford
1865 James Lowe*	Rodney Ashley*	J. M. Burnette*	James Gourley*			O. N. Stafford
1866 James Lowe*	Rodney Ashley*	O. N. Stafford	Thomas C. Jewell*			John P. Ferns*
1867 Geo. E. Lounsbury*	D. A. Cashman*	O. N. Stafford	R. D. Lawrence*			John P. Ferns
1868 Wm. G. Swan*	Sam'l. C. Stearns*	O. N. Stafford	A. R. Robinson*			John P. Ferns
1869 Wm. M. Egan*	Henry W. Dyer*	H. E. Hamilton.	A. R. Robinson			John P. Ferns
1870 W. J. A. DeLancey	H. E. Hamilton.	Wm. H. Long.	Wm. H. Long.			John P. Ferns
1871 W. J. A. DeLancey	John D. Hamilton.	Wm. H. Long.	Wm. H. Long.			John P. Ferns
1872 H. E. Hamilton.	John D. Hamilton.	Joseph Dixon*	G. W. Hartman.			John P. Ferns
1873 H. E. Hamilton.	R. T. Higgins*	L. A. Hamblin*	G. Brinkmeier			John P. Ferns
1874 John D. Hamilton.	R. T. Higgins*	H. Hohnsheldt*	Ira A. Church*			John P. Ferns
1875 John D. Hamilton.	H. C. Cleveland*	George Rawson	Paul Zlemesen			John P. Ferns
1876 John M. Pearson.	H. C. Cleveland*	George Rawson	Wm. F. Avise			John P. Ferns
1877 John M. Pearson.	H. C. Cleveland*	George Rawson	Adolph Suire.			John P. Ferns
1878 Alfred Sample*	Frank A. Halliday.	A. M. Bennett.	C. M. Grammar.			John P. Ferns
1879 Alfred Sample.	Geo. W. Hamilton.	James L. Scott.	J. L. Wallar.			John P. Ferns
			Morris E. Locke.			John P. Ferns
			William F. Fioto.			John P. Ferns

*Deceased.

1860	Samuel Rawson.....	Geo. W. Hamilton.....	James L. Scott.....	Morris R. Locke.....	B. J. Van Court.....	J. S. McClelland*.....	John P. Ferris.....
1841	Samuel Rawson.....	Chas. H. Brennan.....	T. D. Palmer.....	Geo. W. Hamilton.....	B. F. Mason.....	J. S. McClelland.....	John P. Ferris.....
1882	Leroy A. Goddard.....	Rowley Page.....	Geo. W. Hamilton.....	J. S. McClelland*.....	B. F. Wicker.....	S. T. Webber.....	John P. Ferris.....
1883	Leroy A. Goddard.....	Thos. S. Mather.....	Geo. W. Hamilton.....	A. B. Wicker.....	Eugene L. Stoker*.....	H. C. Murrah.....	John P. Ferris.....
1884	Leroy A. Goddard.....	Thos. S. Mather.....	Geo. W. Hamilton.....	A. B. Wicker.....	W. O. Butler.....	J. C. Marrah.....	R. R. Stevens.....
1885	Leroy A. Goddard.....	Thos. S. Mather.....	Geo. W. Hamilton.....	Joseph Dixon*.....	J. G. Marston.....	Belj Steingardt.....	R. R. Stevens.....
1886	Leroy A. Goddard.....	Thos. S. Mather.....	Geo. W. Hamilton.....	Geo. W. Hamilton.....	John Schofield.....	R. D. Lawrence*.....	R. R. Stevens.....
1887	John O'Neill.....	J. E. Evan*.....	A. J. Harbers.....	E. A. Kratz.....	Daniel Stewart.....	C. S. Gurney.....	R. R. Stevens.....
1888	John O'Neill.....	John W. Rose.....	Daniel Stewart.....	Chester S. Gurney.....	George W. Warvelle.....	Henry R. Phinney.....	R. R. Stevens.....
1889	John O'Neill.....	John W. Rose.....	C. S. Gurney.....	Thos. Worthington.....	Wm. Jackson.....	.....	R. R. Stevens.....
1890	John O'Neill.....	Eugene L. Stoker*.....	Thos. Worthington.....	Wm. Jackson.....	A. W. Hitchcock.....	.....	R. R. Stevens.....
1892	John O'Neill.....	Andrew J. Benson.....	A. W. Hitchcock.....	Wm. Jackson.....	Chas. H. Starckel.....	C. H. Starckel.....	R. R. Stevens.....
1893	Geo. M. Moulton.....	Andrew J. Benson.....	A. M. Boring.....	Wm. H. Johnson.....	J. M. Montgomery*.....	R. T. Spencer.....	R. R. Stevens.....
1894	Geo. M. Moulton.....	Andrew J. Benson.....	H. C. Mitchell.....	Wm. H. Johnson.....	J. M. Montgomery*.....	F. E. Fubling.....	R. R. Stevens.....
1895	E. C. Pace*.....	C. E. Allen.....	John Lingo.....	W. W. Bruce.....	A. M. Boring.....	Harry C. Purdy.....	R. R. Stevens.....
1896	E. C. Pace*.....	C. E. Allen.....	W. W. Bruce.....	Adam Ortsfein.....	W. W. Watson.....	.....	R. R. Stevens.....
1897	C. E. Allen.....	H. C. Clarke*.....	Geo. W. Hamilton.....	W. W. Watson.....	J. S. McClelland*.....	W. H. Johnson.....	R. R. Stevens.....
1898	C. E. Allen.....	H. C. Clarke.....	Geo. W. Hamilton.....	W. W. Watson.....	J. S. McClelland.....	S. Coffinberry.....	R. R. Stevens.....
1899	Haswell C. Clarke*.....	Louis Zinger.....	Louis Zinger.....	W. W. Watson.....	G. W. Hamilton.....	G. S. Hummer.....	R. R. Stevens.....
1900	Louis Zinger.....	Jos. D. Everett.....	Jos. D. Everett.....	G. W. Hamilton.....	Geo. S. Hummer.....	I. M. Hornbacker.....	R. R. Stevens.....
1901	Jos. D. Everett.....	James McCredie.....	James McCredie.....	G. W. Hamilton.....	W. B. Grimes.....	W. M. Burbank.....	Wm. L. Orr.....
19 2	Jos. D. Everett.....	James McCredie.....	J. S. McClelland.....	G. W. Hamilton.....	W. B. Grimes.....	W. M. Burbank.....	Wm. L. Orr.....
1903	Walter Watson.....	Wm. H. Lathrop.....	J. S. McClelland.....	G. W. Hamilton.....	W. B. Grimes.....	C. Rohrbough*.....	Wm. L. Orr.....
1904	Walter Watson.....	Norman Mesnard.....	W. M. Burbank.....	G. W. Hamilton.....	W. B. Grimes.....	C. Rohrbough.....	C. S. Gurney.....
1905	Henry L. Whipple.....	Lawrence C. Johnson.....	W. M. Burbank.....	G. W. Hamilton.....	W. B. Grimes.....	C. Rohrbough.....	C. S. Gurney.....
1906	Henry L. Whipple.....	Lawrence C. Johnson.....	H. S. Albin.....	G. W. Hamilton.....	W. B. Grimes.....	C. Rohrbough.....	C. S. Gurney.....
1907	Henry L. Whipple.....	Lawrence C. Johnson.....	H. S. Albin.....	G. W. Hamilton.....	W. B. Grimes.....	C. Rohrbough.....	C. S. Gurney.....
1908	Henry L. Whipple.....	Lawrence C. Johnson.....	H. S. Albin.....	G. W. Hamilton.....	W. B. Grimes.....	C. Rohrbough.....	C. S. Gurney.....
1909	T. W. Gillespie.....	W. H. Peak.....	H. S. Albin.....	G. W. Hamilton.....	Charles F. Tenney.....	James L. Scott.....	C. S. Gurney.....
1910	T. W. Gillespie.....	W. H. Peak.....	H. S. Albin.....	R. G. Bright.....	Charles F. Tenney.....	James L. Scott.....	C. S. Gurney.....

* Deceased

Districts and District Deputy Grand Masters

FOR THE YEARS 1909-10.

District.	NAMES.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	COUNTIES COMPOSING DISTRICT.
1	H. Vanderbilt.....	Chicago..... 11232 Michigan Ave.	Lodges Nos. 33, 271, 409, 524, 642, 697, 751, 776, 795, 813, 843, 863, 878, 890, 899, 914, 924.
2	Harry W. Harvey.	Chicago..... 7211 Lexington Ave.	Lodges Nos. 81, 277, 410, 526, 643, 711, 758, 777, 797, 819, 850, 864, 879, 891, 900, 915, 926.
3	R. R. Jampolis.....	Chicago..... 200 Randolph St.	Lodges Nos. 141, 303, 411, 540, 662, 716, 765, 779, 800, 832, 851, 865, 880, 892, 901, 916, 927.
4	Albert Roullier....	Chicago..... Fine Arts Building.	Lodges Nos. 160, 310, 422, 557, 669, 717, 767, 780, 801, 836, 854, 869, 882, 894, 907, 917.
5	David D. King.....	Chicago..... 124 C ngress St.	Lodges Nos. 182, 311, 437, 610, 674, 726, 768, 783, 810, 839, 855, 873, 887, 895, 908 9.1.
6	Wm. H. Bied.....	Chicago..... 6024 Calumet Ave.	Lodges Nos. 209, 314, 478, 611, 686, 731, 770, 784, 813, 841, 860, 875, 888, 896, 909, 922.
7	Edw. W. Peterson.	Chicago..... 5947 Midway Park.	Lodges Nos. 211, 393, 508, 639, 690, 739, 774, 789, 815, 842, 862, 876, 889, 897, 913, 923.
8	Jay L. Brewster...	Waukegan.....	McHenry and Lake.
9	James M. Huff.....	Belvidere.....	Roone, Winnebago and Stephenson
10	John W. Oliver.....	Apple River.....	Jo Daviess and Carroll.
11	B. A. Cottlow.....	Oregon.....	DeKalb and Ogle.
12	J. H. Griffiths.....	Downers Grove.....	Kane, DuPage and Kendall.
13	W. C. Stilson.....	Morrison.....	Whiteside and Lee.
14	Milton T. Booth....	Atkinson.....	Rock Island and Henry.
15	F. H. Bradley.....	Princeton, R. F. D.....	Bureau, Putnam and Marshall.
16	Wm. P. Grube.....	LaSalle.....	LaSalle.
17	J. B. Fithian.....	Joliet.....	Will and Grundy.
18	N. T. Stevens.....	Clifton.....	Kankakee and Iroquois.
19	W. A. Hoover.....	Gibson City.....	Livingston and Ford.
20	John C. Weis.....	Peoria.....	Peoria and Woodford.
21	C. T. Holmes.....	Galesburg.....	Knox and Stark.
22	C. L. Gregory.....	Aledo.....	Warren, Henderson and Mercer.
23	Geo. D. Bell.....	Bushnell.....	McDonough and Fulton.
24	E. M. Crain.....	Angus.....	Hancock and Schuyler.
25	L. W. Lawton.....	Delavan.....	Tazewell and Logan.
26	Harry M. Palmer....	McLean.....	McLean.
27	C. L. Sandusky....	Danville.....	Vermilion.
28	Wilson P. Jones....	Tolono.....	Champaign and Piatt.
29	A. T. Summers.....	Decatur.....	Macon and DeWitt.
30	Sidney S. Breese..	Springfield.....	Sangamon and Menard.
31	C. P. Ross.....	Jacksonville.....	Mason, Cass and Morgan.
32	W. W. Watson.....	Barry.....	Brown and Pike.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS—*Continued.*

District.	NAMES.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	COUNTIES COMPOSING DISTRICT.
33	Emmett Howard..	Quincy.....	Adams.
34	Ralph M. Riggs...	Winchester.....	Scott, Green, Jersey and Calhoun
35	C. H. Burgdorff...	Carlinville.....	Macoupin.
36	D. W. Starr.....	Raymond.....	Montgomery and Bond.
37	Chas. G. Young ..	Taylorville.....	Christian and Shelby.
38	J. E. Jeffers.....	Arcola.....	Douglas, Coles and Moultrie.
39	H. Gasaway.....	Martinsville.....	Edgar, Clark and Cumberland.
40	W. H. Rupe.....	Olney.....	Jasper, Crawford and Richland.
41	C. O. Faught..	Altamont	Fayette and Effingham.
42	C. N. Hambleton ..	Jeffersonville.....	Marion, Clay, and Wayne
43	Enos Johnson.....	Upper Alton	Madison and Clinton.
44	Geo. S. Caughlan..	East St. Louis	Monroe, Randolph and St. Clair.
45	T. S. Browning ...	Benton	Washington, Jefferson, Perry and Franklin.
46	J. R. Ennis.....	Burnt Prairie	Lawrence, Wabash, Edwards and White.
47	I. A. Foster.....	New Haven	Hamilton, Saline and Gallatin.
48	W. D. Abney.....	Marion.....	Jackson and Williamson.
49	C. H. Thompson...	Cairo.....	Union, Johnson and Alexander.
50	J. K. West.....	Brookport.....	Pope, Hardin, Massac and Pulaski.

GRAND LECTURERS

FOR THE YEAR 1910 1911.

NAME	ADDRESS	NAME	ADDRESS
GRAND EXAMINERS.			
S. S. Borden	Chicago	John H. Griffiths	Downers Grove
A. H. Scrogin	Lexington	A. Jampolis	Chicago
Richard F. Morrow	Virden	W. A. Dixon	Decatur
Lawrence C. Johnson	Galva	Edw. W. Peterson	Chicago
J. M. Hannum	Lostant	Albert Davis	Chicago
PAST GRAND EXAMINERS.			
A. B. Ashley	Decatur	Albert Roullier	Chicago
Charles F. Tenney	Bement	N. M. Mesnard	Decatur
James John	Chicago	John C. Weis	Peoria
H. S. Hurd	Chicago	Adam Schmidt	Chicago
J. R. Ennis	Burnt Prairie	H. E. Van Loon	Chicago
H. T. Burnap	Upper Alton	Will C. Stilson	Tampico
H. A. Snell	Litchfield	C. J. Wightman	Grays Lake
C. H. Martin	Bridgport	W. H. Bied	Chicago
Emerson Clark	Farmington	Emmett Howard	Quincy
Isaac Cutter	Camp Point	W. E. Anderson	Chicago
M. B. Iott	Chicago	J. M. Hederick	Chatham
A. W. West	Galesburg	D. W. Starr	Raymond
Charles S. DeHart	Carthage	Nimrod Mace	Bloomington
GRAND LECTURERS.			
C. E. Allen	Galesburg	R. G. Bright	Normal
H. S. Albin	Chicago	N. B. Carson	Bloomington
D. E. Bruffett	Urbana	David Richards	Chicago Lawn
I. H. Todd	E. St. Louis	Louis J. Frahm	Chicago
Wm. E. Ginther	Springfield	Geo. E. Carlson	Moline
C. E. Groves	Rock Island	G. M. Harmison	Chicago
J. M. Willard	Decatur	H. M. Witt	Chicago
J. E. Wheat	Sterling	J. K. West	Brookport
S. M. Schoemann	McLeansboro	A. T. Summers	Decatur
Chas. G. Young	Taylorville	Andrew McNally	Chicago
James McCredie	Aurora	W. P. Jones	Tolona
W. H. Peak	Jonesboro	W. H. Rupe	Olney
C. N. Hambleton	Jeffersonville	W. W. Roberts	Nunda
G. A. Lackens	Good Hope	Alva W. Cain	Chicago
A. O. Novander	Chicago	Hiram Vanderbilt	Chicago
J. B. Roach	Aurora	P. A. Reinhard	Peoria
T. N. Cummings	Reevesville	D. D. King	Chicago
Louis Pickett	Pullman	M. T. Booth	Atkinson
Anthony Doherty	Clay City	E. T. Osgood	Harvey
Chas. T. Holmes	Galesburg	C. L. Montgomery	Blue Mound
C. P. Ross	Jacksonville	J. S. Edmondson	Decatur
Archibald Birse	Chicago	F. D. Fletcher	Chatham
R. W. King	Chicago	C. M. Borchers	Decatur
E. E. Beach	Chicago	F. H. Bloss	Bloomington
W. H. Robson	Chicago	B. A. Cottlow	Oregon
H. W. Harvey	Chicago	A. I. Porges	Chicago
F. H. Morehouse	Chicago	Wm. E. Fitch	LaSalle
F. J. Burton	Chicago	Wm. P. Grube	LaSalle
I. A. Foster	New Haven	Samuel B. Bradford	Ottawa
		L. E. Rockwood	Gibson City
		W. A. Hoover	Gibson City
		L. B. Dyer	Chicago
		Geo. N. Todd	Mattoon

GRAND LECTURERS—Continued.

NAME	ADDRESS	NAME	ADDRESS
William George Houghton	Chicago	Thomas G. Kerwin	Chicago
John Frederick Lockert	Chicago	Elmer Tregay	LaSalle
O. E. Tandy	Jacksonville	Richard B. Prendergast	Chicago
Floyd Orlando Lorton	Auburn	Francis M. Cruikshank	Chicago
James Lloyd Hammond	Wilmette	Geo. W. Flood	Rock Island
Richard Daniel Mills	Ottawa	Sidney S. Pollack	Chicago
Fred Grove Trenary	LaSalle	H. Gasaway	Martinsville
Wm. Elmer Edwards	Chicago	J. A. Wesch	Arcola
James Elsworth Jeffers	Arcola	J. J. Brydon	Martinsville
Zarah S. Saylor	Oakwood	Benjamin Bing	Urbana
H. M. Palmer	McLean	J. M. Foreman	Palestine
W. B. Moore	Chicago	I. J. McDowell	Chicago
W. D. Price	Chicago	Oscar Formhals	Ottawa
Harry A. Dever	Chicago	W. E. Speckman	Ottawa
Walter E. Marble	Chicago	Lou's A. Kaiser	Tonica
Theodore Christensen	Chicago	W. H. Barnard	Ottawa
James M. Huff	Belvidere	Thomas E. Quincy	Chicago
H. H. Milnor	Chicago	Benjamin E. Sincere	Chicago
H. O. Folrath	Decatur	Charles A. Stephenson	Chicago
Chas. H. Graves	Chicago	Ora E. Chapin	Chicago
H. M. Robinson	Chicago	Homer D. Jackson	Chicago
C. H. Thompson	Cairo	Evan P. Jones	Chicago
Amos Ball	Gibson City	William R. Goodheart	Chicago
O. H. Woodworth	Arcola	Ebenezzer C. Tillotson	Chicago
R. M. Riggs	Winchester	Hans M. Rachlitz	Chicago
Otto Brail	Chicago	David S. Davidson	Chicago
W. C. Trowbridge	Crete	George D. Bell	Bushnell
C. L. Gregory	Aledo	A. A. Bauer	Blue Mound
Frank F. Collins	Arcola	C. A. Stovall	Tuscola
James F. Boyle	Chicago	John N. Fairchild	Danville
A. B. Collom	Marissa	Chas. A. Luse	Chicago
John W. Johnson	Chicago	William Scales	Ottawa
J. E. Glathart	Olney	Hymar Silverman	Chicago
David C. Hibbott	Chicago	Charles L. Tanner	Sagehen
Boyd S. Blaine	Champaign	James Porter	Martinsville
William N. Ewing	McLean	S. C. D. Rea	Valier
T. Bryson Strauss	Gibson City	T. S. Browning	Benton
B. I. Pumpelly	Atlanta	A. M. Bloxam	Mt. Auburn
Arthur E. Wood	Gibson City	F. W. Froelich	Brighton
George Edwards	Chicago	T. C. Hamblen	Jeffersonville
Walter T. Boggess	Catlin	H. W. Crab	Decatur
Almon Stansberry	Westville	J. C. Weatherson	Chicago
N. E. Porter	Edinburg	C. W. Kessler	Pawnee
Clarence A. Tucker	Findlay	H. A. Flock	Blue Mound
Herbert C. Bush	Decatur	E. R. Turnbull	Carlinsville
Frank H. Bradley	Princeton R. F. D.	R. C. Clark	Chicago
Lewis A. Brinkman	Chicago	E. G. Burger	Pullman
Albert P. Williams	Chicago		

REPRESENTATIVES

OF THE M. W. GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES.

GRAND LODGE.	REPRESENTATIVE.	RESIDENCE.
Alb. rta.	Wm. G. Ibbotson.	Edmonton
Alabama	W. W. Daffin.	Grove Hill.
Arizona	Artemus Louden Grow	Tombstone.
Arkansas	Frank L. Wolverton.	Blythesdale.
British Columbia	W. W. Northcott.	Victoria.
Canada	Abraham Shaw	Kingston, Ont.
Colorado	Henry M. Teller.	Central City.
Connecticut	Geo. E. Parsons.	Norwich.
Cuba	Juan B. Hernandez Barreiro.	Havana.
Delaware	Geo. M. Jones	Dover.
District of Columbia	L. Cabel Williamson.	Washington
England	Walter Henry Harris.	London.
Florida	James C. Craver	Sutherland.
Georgia	Wm. H. Chaffee.	Tallahpoosa.
Iho land.	Hermion Snyders.	Middelberg
Idaho	Albert B. Moss.	Payette.
Indiana	B. M. Wiloughby	Vincennes.
Ireland	Obadiah Ternan	Enniskillen.
Kansas	Matthew M. Miller	Topeka.
Louisiana	Jbas. F. Buck.	New Orleans.
Manitoba	John Leslie.	Winnipeg.
Maine	William R. G. Es'es.	Skowhegan.
Maryland	John L. Sanford	.....
Michigan	Arthur M. Hume	Owosso.
Minnesota	A. T. Stebbins	Rochester.
Mississippi	Frederic Speed.	Vicksburg.
Missouri	W. F. Johnson.	Boonville.
Montana	Cornelius Heiges.	Helena.
Nebraska	George H. Thummel.	Omaha.
Nevada	Charles E. Mack	Virginia.
New Brunswick	William A. Dougherty.	Saint John.
New Hampshire	Sewell W. Abbot	Wolfboro.
New Jersey	Jos. A. Gaskill.	Mount Holly.
New York	Delbert Green	Brookl'v'n, N. Y.
New Zealand	Murdock McLean.	Auckland
North Carolina	Leo D. Heart.	Raleigh
North Dakota	E. George Guthrie.	Fargo.
Nova Scotia	Theo. A. Cosman.	Halifax.
Ohio	O. P. Sperra	Ravenna.
Oklahoma	Frank W. Anderson	Waurika.
Oregon	W. T. Wright.	Union.
Prince Edward Island	Samuel Lowe.	Charlotetown P. E. I.
Quebec	H. Edgar Channell.	Stanstead, P. Q.
Queensland	Cha. H. Harley	Brisbane.
Rhode Island	Newton D. Arnold.	Providence.
Saskatchewan	Geo. W. Bilbrough	Regina.
Scotland	Miles McInnes.	Dumfries.
South Australia	John Trail McLean.	Adelaide.
South Carolina	John F. Ficken	Charleston.
South Dakota	Oscar S. Gifford	Canton.
Tasmania	Rev. Wm. Hogg.	.....
Tennessee	A. V. Warr	Rossville.
Texas	.....	.....
Utah	A. Scott Chapman	Salt Lake City.
Vermont	Delos M. Bacon	St. Johnsbury Center.
Virginia	Wm. L. Andrews.	Roanoke.
Washington	Louis Ziegler.	Spokane.
Western Australia	Frank R. Perret.	Perth.
West Virginia	Hiram R. Howard	Point Pleasant
Wisconsin	Charles C. Rogers	Milwaukee.
United Grand Lodge of Victoria	Edward Edwards.	Melbourne.
United Grand Lodge of New South Wales	W. Beavis.	Sydney.

REPRESENTATIVES

OF OTHER GRAND LODGES NEAR THE GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS

GRAND LODGE.	REPRESENTATIVE.	RESIDENCE.
Alberta.....	H. A. Snell.....	Litchfield.
Alabama.....	Chester E. Allen.....	Galesburg.
Arizona.....	Monroe C. Crawford.....	Jonesboro.
Arkansas.....	R. T. Spencer.....	Chicago.
British Columbia.....	Jas. McCredie.....	Aurora.
Canada.....	Sylvester O. Spring.....	Peoria.
Colorado.....	Albert Roullier.....	Chicago.
Connecticut.....	Chas. F. Hitchcock.....	Peoria.
Cuba.....	George M. Moulton.....	Chicago.
Delaware.....	William S. Cantrell.....	Benton.
District of Columbia.....	L. A. Goddard.....	Chicago.
England.....	John C. Smith.....	Chicago.
Florida.....	John C. Smith.....	Chicago.
Georgia.....	W. J. A. DeLancey.....	Centralia.
Holland.....	C. M. Borchers.....	Decatur.
Idaho.....	R. R. Jampolis.....	Chicago.
Indiana.....	W. B. Wright.....	Eflingham.
Indian Territory.....	Delmar D. Darrah.....	Bloomington.
Ireland.....	Robert J. Daly.....	Chicago.
Kansas.....	George M. Moulton.....	Chicago.
Louisiana.....	Leroy A. Goddard.....	Chicago.
Maine.....	Amos Pettibone.....	Chicago.
Manitoba.....	Hugh R. Stewart.....	Chicago.
Maryland.....	M. B. Iott.....	Evanston.
Michigan.....	Joseph E. Dyas.....	Paris.
Minnesota.....	R. H. Wheeler.....	Chicago.
Mississippi.....	John C. Smith.....	Chicago.
Missouri.....	George A. Stadler.....	Decatur.
Montana.....	A. B. Ashley.....	Decatur.
Nebraska.....	A. Jampolis.....	Chicago.
Nevada.....	John C. Smith.....	Chicago.
New Brunswick.....	John C. Weis.....	Peoria.
New Hampshire.....	Henry E. Hamilton.....	Chicago.
New Jersey.....	Joseph D. Everett.....	Chicago.
New York.....	Isaac Cutter.....	Camp Point
New Zealand.....	Wm. O. Butler.....	La Harpe.
North Carolina.....	James B. McFatrich.....	Chicago.
North Dakota.....	Geo. W. Warvelle.....	Chicago.
Nova Scotia.....	L. B. Dixon.....	Chicago.
Ohio.....	S. S. Chance.....	Salem.
Oklahoma.....	D. D. Darrah.....	Bloomington.
Oregon.....	Frank W. Havill.....	Mt. Carmel.
Prince Edward Island.....	E. D. Brothers.....	Chicago.
Quebec.....	John Johnston.....	Chicago.
Queensland.....	J. R. Ennis.....	Burnt Prairie.
Rhode Island.....	Albert B. Wicker.....	Franklin Gr'Ve
Saskatchewan.....	Jas. A. Steele.....	Sullivan.
Scotland.....	Archibald Birse.....	Chicago.
South Carolina.....	Elmer E. Beach.....	Chicago.
South Australia.....	William L. Milligan.....	Ottawa.
South Dakota.....	Robert L. McKinlay.....	Paris.
Tasmania.....	R. T. Spencer.....	Chicago.
Tennessee.....	Alexander H. Bell.....	Carlinville.
Texas.....	C. M. Forman.....	East St. Louis.
Utah.....	Owen Scott.....	Decatur.
Vermont.....	I. H. Todd.....	E. St. Louis
Virginia.....	Amos Pettibone.....	Chicago.
Washington.....	Wm. J. Fullerton.....	Ottawa
West Australia.....	H. T. Burnap.....	Upper Alton
West Virginia.....	Charles Reifsnider.....	Chicago.
Wisconsin.....	David D. Kling.....	Chicago.
United Grand Lodge of South Wales.....	R. T. Spencer.....	Chicago.
United Grand Lodge of Victoria.....	R. T. Spencer.....	Chicago.

LIST OF GRAND LODGES

Recognized by the Grand Lodge of Illinois, together with Names and
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Alberta.....	Dr Geo. Macdonald.....	Calgary.
Alabama.....	Geo. A. Beauchamp.....	Montgomery.
Arizona.....	George J. Roskrige.....	Tucson.
Arkansas.....	Fay Hempstead.....	Little Rock.
British Columbia.....	R. E. Brett.....	Victoria.
California.....	John Wicher.....	San Francisco.
Canada.....	Ralph Leeming Gunn.....	Hamilton, Ontario
Colorado.....	Charles H. Jacobson.....	Denver.
Connecticut.....	Frank W. Havens.....	Hartford.
Cuba.....	Carlos G. Charles.....	Havana.
Delaware.....	Virginus V. Harrison.....	Wilmington.
District of Columbia.....	A. W. Johnston.....	Washington.
England.....	Sir Edward Letchworth.....	London. Freemasons Hall
Florida.....	W. P. Webster.....	Jacksonville.
Georgia.....	W. A. Wolihin.....	Macon.
Holland.....	J. Boudewijse.....	The Hague, Holland.
Idaho.....	Theo. W. Randall.....	Boise.
Illinois.....	Isaac Cutter.....	Camp Point.
Indiana.....	Calvi W. Prather.....	Indianapolis.
Iowa.....	Newton R. Parvin.....	Cedar Rapids.
Ireland.....	H. E. Flavelle, D. G. Sec.	Dublin.
Kansas.....	Albert K. Wilson.....	Topeka.
Kentucky.....	Henry B. Grant.....	Louisville.
Louisiana.....	Richard Lambert.....	New Orleans.
Maine.....	Stephen Berry.....	Portland.
Manitoba.....	James A. Ovas.....	Winnipeg.
Maryland.....	William M. Isaac.....	Baltimore.
Massachusetts.....	Thomas W. Davis.....	Boston.
Michigan.....	Lou B. Winsor.....	Reed City.
Minnesota.....	John Fishel.....	St. Paul.
Mississippi.....	Frederic Speed.....	Vicksburg.
Missouri.....	John R. Parson.....	St. Louis.
Montana.....	Cornelius Hedges, Jr.....	Helena.
Nebraska.....	Francis E. White.....	Omaha.
Nevada.....	Chauncey N. Noteware.....	Carson City.
New Brunswick.....	J. Twining Hartt.....	St. John.
New Hampshire.....	Harry M. Cheney.....	Lebanon
New Jersey.....	Benjamin F. Wakefield.....	Trenton.
New Mexico.....	Alpheus A. Keane.....	Albuquerque.
New York.....	Edward M. L. Ehlers.....	New York.
New Zealand.....	Malcolm Niccol.....	Wellington.
North Carolina.....	John C. Drewry.....	Raleigh.
North Dakota.....	Walter L. Stockwell.....	Fargo.
Nova Scotia.....	Thomas Mowbray.....	Halifax.
Ohio.....	J. H. Bromwell.....	Cincinnati.
Oklahoma.....	Wm. M. Anderson.....	Oklahoma City
Oregon.....	James F. Robinson.....	Portland, 388 Yamhill St.
Pennsylvania.....	Wm. A. Sinn.....	Philadelphia.
Prince Edward Island.....	W. P. Doull.....	Charlottetown
Quebec.....	Will H. Whyte.....	Montreal.
Que. Island.....	Chas. H. Harley.....	Br sbane.
Rhode Island.....	S. Penrose Williams.....	Providence.
Saskatchewan.....	Jno. M. Shaw.....	Regina.
Scotland.....	David Reid.....	Edinburg.
South Australia.....	Chas. R. Glover.....	Adelaide.
South Carolina.....	Walter M. Whitehead.....	Columbia.
South Dakota.....	George A. Pettigrew.....	Sioux Falls.
Tasmania.....	John Hamilton.....	Hobart.
Tennessee.....	John B. Garrett.....	Nashville.
Texas.....	John Watson.....	Waco.
Utah.....	Christopher Diehl.....	Salt Lake City.
United Grand Lodge of Victoria.....	Charles James Barrow.....	Melbourne.
United Grand Lodge of New South Wales.....	Arthur H. Bray.....	Sydney.
Vermont.....	Henry H. Ross.....	Burlington.
Virginia.....	Geo. W. Carrington.....	Richmond.
Washington.....	Horace W. Tyler.....	Tacoma.
Western Australia.....	J. D. Stevenson.....	Perth.
West Virginia.....	H. R. Howard.....	Point Pleasant.
Wisconsin.....	Wm. W. Perry.....	Milwaukee.
Wyoming.....	Wm. L. Kuykedall.....	Saratoga.

MASONIC LITERATURE.

The Grand Secretary desires to thank the editors of the following magazines and papers for kindly supplying his office with their publications during the past year, in exchange for our proceedings. We shall be happy to exchange with all Masonic publications and papers having a Masonic department:

- The Illinois Freemason*—Bloomington, Illinois.
- Masonic Advocate*—Indianapolis, Indiana.
- The Masonic Chronicler*—Chicago, Illinois.
- The Australasian Keystone*—Melbourne, Victoria.
- The Trestle Board*—408 California street, San Francisco, California.
- Masonic News*—Peoria, Illinois.
- Masonic Token*—Portland, Maine.
- The Masonic Constellation*—St. Louis, Missouri.
- The New Zealand Craftsman*—Dunedin.
- Square and Compass*—Denver, Colorado.
- The Texas Freemason*—San Antonio, Texas.
- The American Tyler Keystone*—Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- The Freemason and Fez*—Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
- The Masonic Review*—Tacoma, Washington.
- Square and Compass*—New Orleans, Louisiana.
- The Tennessee Mason*—Nashville, Tennessee.
- Masonic Standard*—New York, New York.
- Masonic Voice and Review*—265 La Salle St., Chicago, Illinois.
- The Masonic Sentinel*—1413 Masonic Temple, Chicago, Illinois.
- The Masonic Observer*—Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- The Masonic Trestle Board*—Chicago, Illinois.
- Missouri Freemason*—St. Louis, Missouri.
- The New England Craftsman*—Boston, Massachusetts.
- Corner Stone*—411 W. 145th St., New York City.
- The Mosaic*—Saginaw, Mich.
- Masonic Review*—Johannesburg.
- Oriental Lodge Notes*—Chicago.
- The American Freemason*—Storm Lake, Iowa.
- The Masonic World*—Kansas City, Missouri.

Our Fraternal Bead

ILLINOIS

M. W. Bro. John M. Pearson

PAST GRAND MASTER

Born Newburyport, Mass., October 7, 1832

Died Godfrey, Ill., June 4, 1910

Our Fraternal Dead

ILLINOIS

R. W. Bro. Wm. B. Grimes

Member Board of Grand Examiners
D. D. G. M.

Born Carmi, Ill., Nov. 25, 1828
Died Pittsfield, Ill., April 10, 1910

R. W. Bro. William Gardner

D. D. G. M.

Born Kilmarnock, Scotland, May 24, 1846
Died Dec. 17, 1909

Our Fraternal Dead

Other Grand Jurisdictions

THOMAS MARVIN PULESTON

Past Grand Master, Florida. Died February 16, 1910.

DR. CHARLES P. GORDON

Past Deputy Grand Master, Georgia. Died March 16, 1910.

DANIEL NOYES

Past Grand Master, Indiana. Died March 13, 1910.

SAMUEL R. PETERS

Past Grand Master, Kansas. Died April 21, 1910.

SERENO DWIGHT NICKERSON

Grand Historian, Massachusetts. Died, November 6, 1909.

CHARLES WHIPPO NASH

Past Grand Master, Minnesota. Died August 18, 1910.

ANSALEM JOHNSON DAVIDSON

Past Grand Master, Montana. Died October 24, 1909.

JACOB KING

Grand Tyler, Nebraska. Died January 9, 1910.

MICHEAL, A. MURPHY

Past Grand Master, Nevada. Died October 26, 1909.

FRANK DANA WOODBURY

Grand Secretary, New Hampshire. Died, ———.

Our Fraternal Dead

Other Grand Jurisdictions

J. EDWARD SIMMONS

Past Grand Master, New York. Died April 5, 1910.

FRANK JARED THOMPSON

Past Grand Master, New York. Died February 25, 1910.

HENRY WARREN RUGG

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Rhode Island.
Died July 21, 1910.

JAMES HENRY CUNNINGHAM

Grand Secretary, South Australia. Died September, 1909.

ZIMMERMAN DAVIS

Grand Treasurer, South Carolina. Died March 30, 1910.

BYRON PLYMPTON DAGUE

Past Grand Master, South Dakota. Died May 28, 1910.

WILLIAM H. MILLER, SR.

Past Deputy Grand Master, South Dakota.
Died October 3, 1909.

BLIGH E. WOOD

Past Senior Grand Warden, South Dakota.
Died October 17, 1909.

KOSCINSKO KEMPER

Past Grand Master, Virginia. Died January 26, 1910.

JOHN DUNBAR BAINES

Senior Grand Warden, West Virginia.
Died January 11, 1910.

Our Fraternal Dead

Past Masters of Illinois Lodges

NAME	LODGE	DIED
Alfred G. Adams.....	Yates City No. 448.....	February 17, 1910
Ebenezer Allen	Trio No. 57.....	May 20, 1910
Franz Amberg	Lessing No. 557	June 12, 1910
Frank P. Armstrong	E. M. Husted No. 796.....	February 14, 1910
Isaac S. Askew	New Salem No. 218	November 10, 1909.
Charles Samuel Austin....	South Park No. 662.....	March 26, 1910
J. B. Babcock.....	Marengo No. 138	March 15, 1910
Thomas Bailey	Benjamin No. 297	January 2, 1910
William B. Barnes	Aurora No. 254	March 2, 1910
E. A. Bartholomew.....	Friendship No. 7	November 7, 1909
George William Brant....	Morning Star No. 734.....	March 18, 1910
Cornelius Bye	Vuscola No. 332	October 9, 1909
H. H. Carpenter	Englewood No. 690	June 30, 1910
George Catlin	Waubansia No. 160.....	March 23, 1910
Oscar B. Chamberlain	Unity No. 48	June 11, 1910
Solomon G. Chanie	New Salem No. 218	October 14, 1909
Horatio Churchill	Ludena No. 399	April 25, 1910
Alvin S. Clark	Elgin No. 117	April 11, 1910
Henry Clay	Tamaroa No. 207	September 1, 1909
John C. Cluett	Union Park No. 610.....	June 19, 1910
John W. Cobbs	St. Paul's No. 500	September 12, 1909
William Wesley Colt	Rushville No. 9	July 7, 1909
John R. Davis	Harmony No. 3	July 13, 1909
Samuel G. Dean	Wataga No. 291	February 11, 1910
P. J. Eeord	Lovington No. 228	January 6, 1910
Henry Alonzo Eidson	Cooper No. 489	October 7, 1909
Milton Quimby Fair	Apollo No. 642	September 1, 1902
Friedrick August Feder...	Germania No. 182	September 30, 1909
Calvin Ford	Ellis No. 633	May 8, 1910
Frank E. Fredrick	Riverside No. 862	August 25, 1909
David Gillespie	Logan No. 210	March 10, 1910
William T. Griffith	Taylor No. 98	September 2, 1909
Charles A. Gross.....	Herder No. 669	June 17, 1910
Nathan Hefter	Golden Gate So. 248	January 9, 1910
Julien W. Hemenway	Du Quoin No. 234	May 19, 1910
B. W. Hill	Sumner No. 334	February 2, 1910
L. M. Hobart	Tremont No. 467	March 30, 1910
Daniel Hoerr	Lessing No. 557	February 5, 1910
Charles Hoya	Mithra No. 410	January 17, 1910
Charles M. Huldtt	Rockford No. 102	December 14, 1909
Alonzo P. Johnson	Peoria No. 15	September 30, 1909
C. B. Jones	Sumner No. 334	October 19, 1909
Benjamin Judd	Wenona No. 344	January 14, 1910

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Past Masters of Illinois Lodges

NAME	LODGE	DIED
William L. Kincaid	Greenfield No. 129	December 2, 1909
C. J. Kuyper	Kensington No. 804	November 6, 1909
Robert Leslie	Tolono No. 391	December 26, 1909
John Lingo	Peoria No. 15	October 18, 1909
Jacob Long	Abraham Lincoln No. 518.	June 3, 1910
George Lytle	New Boston No. 59.....	January 21, 1910
Orin McDaniel	Stewardson No. 541	February 14, 1910
George H. McKinley	Doric No. 319	January 10, 1910
Joseph H. Merrill	Wataga No. 291	March 24, 1910
Marshall R. Moore	Equality No. 2	April 15, 1910
Peter H. Moreland	Vermilion No. 265	June 8, 1910
John Grafton Moss	Cuba No. 534	March 29, 1910
Henry Mueller	Stewardson No. 541	May 7, 1910
Henry Munsterman	Cregier No. 643	December 17, 1909
S. B. Oakley	Marengo No. 138	May 19, 1910
John O'Neill	Blair No. 393	September 26, 1909
L. S. Pearsall	Philo No. 436	April 10, 1910
William I. Peckenpaugh...	Pacific No. 66	June 23, 1910
David A. Petrie	Greenview No. 653	November 3, 1909
Stephen G. Pitkin	Covenant No. 526	March 7, 1910
Thomas J. Rafferty	Carrollton No. 50	March 11, 1910
David Rainey	Maroa No. 454	June 14, 1910
Stephen Redshaw	Exeter No. 424	May 29, 1910
David O. Reid	Doric No. 319	August 25, 1909
John M. Rhoads	Roscoe No. 75	December 2, 1909
George Richmond	Edwardsville No. 99	January 14, 1910
Charles E. Roe	Oak Park No. 540	May 12, 1910
Calender Rohrbaugh	Kinmundy No. 398	September 12, 1909
John A. Ross	Clement No. 680	June 29, 1910
Henry Rueck	Columbia No. 474	May 31, 1910
John Benjamin Schnell ...	Thomas J. Turner No. 409.	March 14, 1910
Allen Theodore Scovel ...	Franklin No. 25	February 18, 1910
Robert E. Seeley	Lafayette No. 657	December 12, 1909
Edgar B. Shumway	Peotone No. 636	March 2, 1910
James Simcox	Patoka No. 613	September 10, 1909
Thomas M. Simmons	Hibbard No. 249	March 24, 1910
Thomas D. Slocum	Franklin No. 25	February 18, 1910
Thomas O. Springer	Edwardsville No. 99	February 22, 1910
Oliver Perry Stoddard	Galva No. 243	June 4, 1910
Sylvanus C. Swalley	John D. Moody No. 510...	January 24, 1910
James Sykes	Kingston No. 266	March 3, 1910
James Dinsmore Templeton	Macon No. 8	December 5, 1909
George W. Trask	Husted No. 796	September 15, 1909
Carl Uhlrich	Schiller No. 335	March 17, 1910
Elon E. Wallace	Pontiac No. 294	May 7, 1910
Allen Bradley Weston	Bodley No. 1	February 9, 1910
Thomas S. Whitley	Eldorado No. 730	August, 1909
George Cutter Whitmore...	Delavan No. 156	April 18, 1910
Charles O. Womack	Tadmor No. 794	November 1, 1909
Charles Latham Young ...	Monitor No. 522	January 5, 1910

APPENDIX—PART I.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON
MASONIC CORRESPONDENCE

1910



INTRODUCTION.

Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

It is needless to say that I came to the task of reviewing the proceedings of the various grand lodges with which Illinois Masons hold fellowship with many misgivings and almost with literal fear and trembling. My task was rendered doubly difficult because of the commanding ability and world-wide fame as a masonic jurist and writer of M.W. BRO. JOSEPH ROBBINS, who for so many years stood the peer of any correspondent in the world. When he fell it was as though one of the mighty oaks of the forest had succumbed to the axe of the woodman. The fall was so great that the resounding solitudes echoed and re-echoed to the borders of the great forest in which it had stood. Much has been said in eulogy here and elsewhere and no word of praise and appreciation has exceeded his merit.

One year ago, the ascending ELIJAH, Brother ROBBINS, beckoned the ELISHA of his companionship, Brother COOK, and the mantle fell upon most capable shoulders. Under extremely difficult circumstances and with a very limited time at his disposal Bro. EDWARD COOK took up the scarcely-begun work of his great predecessor and brought it to a most successful conclusion. The work of Brother COOK shows for itself and has passed most favorably the critical scrutiny of the army of reviewers. With much more time at my command and with much fuller opportunity I shall be satisfied to approximate the high standards of the past. Of the seventy grand lodges recognized by Illinois all have been under review except Alberta, Prince Edward Island and Tasmania. The proceedings of these have not come to hand.

The great ocean of Freemasonry is in a tranquil state. Occasionally a billow rolls up to threaten the craft sailing on its mighty bosom. When the vessel nears the seeming danger it rides in safety over. Brethren have learned the great lesson of harmony, the strength and support of all institutions but especially of our ancient fraternity. Differences give way before the spirit of brotherhood and joy and peace and satisfaction reign.

Three questions have been more or less generally discussed in the Grand Lodges of the world.

1. Making a Mason at sight. This grew out of the action of the Grand Master of Ohio in conferring the degrees upon William H. Taft, president-elect of the United States. The undoubted consensus of opin-

ion by masonic writers is that the grand master of Ohio acted within his legal rights and established prerogatives. Though it may not be admitted that the 8th Landmark gives such authority yet it cannot be disputed that the law of Ohio is ample to warrant the course pursued. The method of conferring the degrees was also commendable. Some may think that making a mason at sight may merely mean that the grand master declares a profane a mason without form or ceremony. Not so in the Ohio instance. The particular method is fully set out in the review of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Ohio.

- It is probable that the prominence of Mr. Taft was largely responsible for the wide discussion. Had the same proceedings been had with a less "shining mark" little comment would have been made. Indeed it is rather unfortunate that Grand Master Hoskinson should have selected one whom fame had so favored. Masonry knows little of rank or position and the humblest stands side by side with the most exalted in station.

2. Documentary evidence is a vital theme in many grand lodges. The very evident trend is toward requiring some form of written proof of good standing as a pre-requisite to visitation or affiliation. In these days of clandestine bodies, calling themselves masonic, there is the possibility of deceiving the very elect themselves. In Illinois with our list of regular lodges on the desk of every secretary it is easy to detect the impostor and clandestine. When a receipt for dues, or other evidence of good standing, does not emanate from a lodge shown in this list, sent out by authority of our grand lodge, it is safe to spot the applicant as a fraud. It may not be out of place to note that many other states are equipping their lodges with the list of regulars sent out by Illinois. The prediction is here ventured that not many years will pass until all grand lodges will require documentary evidence. Masonry in the head will have the supplementary qualification of masonry in the pocket.

3. As a consequence of the Philadelphia and Baltimore conferences it looks much as though the method of dealing with rejected material would soon become uniform. At present the divergence is antipodal. It runs from no time to perpetual. Illinois is in the latter class. The time as judged from the various grand lodges promises to be five years. After all, this seems reasonable. It permits a grand lodge to keep under its control those deemed unworthy for a sufficient time to allow other jurisdictions to acquire personal and direct knowledge of the character of those who would try again the ordeal of a unanimous ballot.

With these three questions settled the masonic world will have little ground for disturbance or criticism.

Fraternally,

OWEN SCOTT,
Committee.

Decatur, Ill., Sept. 27, 1910.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
MASONIC CORRESPONDENCE
1910

OWEN SCOTT, P. G. M.

ALABAMA, 1909.

484 LODGES.

89TH ANNUAL.

22,319 MEMBERS.

Alabama stands at the head of the class of states reviewed in every case except at home. This priority comes not alone by the alphabet but from merit as well. A well-filled and well-printed book of 380 pages contains the proceedings of a busy and interesting annual session held at Montgomery on December 7, 1909.

QUICK WORK.

The prompt distribution of the printed volume convicts the grand secretary of "going some." January 19 brought this book to the table of the Illinois correspondent. Inasmuch as it came via Grand Secretary CUTTER'S office there was of necessity some lost motion. To prepare and print such a volume within thirty days of the close is no light task. It is suggestive of Bros. MUNN and DILL when they made their records of swift work a few years ago.

Among the thirty-four representatives of other grand lodges recorded as present Bro. WILLIAM W. DAFFIN was ready to care for the interests of Illinois. There were 427 lodges represented, leaving fifty-seven of the 484 without anyone to speak for them.

THE YEAR'S WORK.

The grand master's annual address was an able document, replete with valuable suggestions and giving full information regarding the condition of the craft at home and abroad. A single extract will show the beauty and force of this production:

The earth has yielded its increase far beyond our wants. Peace has prevailed and we have been protected from pestilence and scourge. The opportunities for intellectual, moral and religious enjoyment, improvement and training, abundant as they were, have become still more common, and the great tenets of our Order are taking more vital hold, and more and more influencing the lives of men in the common activities of society.

These blessings from God, the common Father of us all, evidence His love, and should kindle in our hearts the pure flame of charity. We have lived in vain if the light which comes from Him has not led us into better and more useful and helpful lives.

JURISDICTIONAL FRICTION.

Friction having arisen over the jurisdictional rights of adjoining states Grand Master MALLORY suggested a remedy. The grand lodge found it advisable to arrange so that state lines would not furnish a bar to the peace and concord of neighboring lodges. The new law allows the lodges to go in straight lines for five miles into another state unless such distance goes into a city or town. All who had been received in violation of the former law were healed and the dove of peace flutters over Florida, Alabama and other contiguous states. Of course other states must reciprocate.

SOME DECISIONS.

Twenty-one decisions were rendered. Not many of these are of interest outside of Alabama.

In No. 7 it was held that a W.M. should not preside at a trial where the accused was related to him by "consanguinity or affinity" to the fourth degree.

In No. 8 are two rules at variance with Illinois law. The first is that a brother suspended for non-payment of dues can be reinstated to membership in his lodge by the payment of dues. No action of the lodge is necessary, the mere announcement in open lodge is sufficient. Second a brother is required to pay not only the dues for which he was suspended but all that have accumulated after suspension.

It is rather hard to deprive a brother of the privileges of Masonry and yet compel him to pay for them before he can be restored to good standing. In this state he pays only the sum for which he was suspended. In our lodges he can only be reinstated by their consent.

In No. 13 it is provided that an officer of the lodge while on trial cannot fill his official position. Is not a brother presumed to be innocent until proven guilty? Even the harshness of the civil law grants as much.

No. 15. While it is settled that the refusal of a Mason to pay a brother a just debt, without any good reason for not paying, and having the ability to pay, is a masonic offense, it is equally well settled that a masonic lodge should not be made an agency for collecting debts against its members.

Some rather fine distinctions will be necessary to keep an Alabama lodge from becoming a collecting agency. Then No. 16 still further complicates:

It is not a masonic offense to refuse to pay a debt which is honestly disputed, but the dispute must be in good faith and not a mere pretense to escape payment.

Unless fraud is charged Illinois does not enter into trials growing out of business transactions.

No. 17 holds that "the mere taking of the bankrupt law is not of itself a masonic offense."

In No. 21 the old hymn "Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow" is declared to be "sectarian." Also the refrain of "God be with you till we meet again." It is well to have these theological questions settled.

The grand master declined to permit the organization of a lodge to work in the Italian language. He thought the grand lodge should authorize it.

DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE.

The grand secretary after due inquiry reported that twenty grand lodges require documentary evidence for the admission of visitors. Twenty-eight do not require written evidence of good standing in a regular lodge and ten made no reply to the questions asked. Illinois is one of the twenty-eight, but most lodges in this state want to see the papers.

THE COLOR LINE.

A resolution was presented and adopted calling on the grand master to sever fraternal relations with New Jersey if that grand lodge continues in its obedience a lodge "composed of white men and negroes—mostly the latter." Is it an offense for a lodge to receive as a member a black man if "he is of good report, free born, and well recommended?"

ONLY FOR WIDOWS AND ORPHANS.

On report of a special committee the grand lodge entered upon the enterprise of building and equipping a home for "widows and orphans." The wonder is why the aged and indigent Mason is not included in the plan. Surely a Mason who is dependent and helpless needs a home quite

as much as the widow or the orphan. A site near Montgomery was chosen. For \$15,098.50 there were purchased 236 acres of land. From the financial showing the home will be speedily built and a great want supplied.

From the report of election of officers it appears that the tyler is not appointed but elected as is the grand master.

CORRESPONDENCE REPORT.

The report of the committee on foreign correspondence is written by WILLIAM Y. TITCOMB. Proceedings from sixty-one grand jurisdictions come under review. The work of this correspondent is well done and shows the writer to be an expert in his line. Seven pages are devoted to Illinois. Grand Master BELL's address is described as "able and painstaking."

DIFFERS FROM BROTHER BELL.

Exception is taken to the attitude of our grand master regarding the right of a lodge to use its funds to help build a church. This is the argument:

We admit that lodges have no moral right to spend, in other ways, the money necessary to fulfill their obligations in respect of grand lodge; at the same time we contend that, when a lodge is in possession of a surplus, it is the proper judge as to how it may dispose of the same, always on moral principles.

It is nobody else's business if a strong lodge chooses to extend aid to a feeble church or to a profane in distress. In some respects the lodge is, and ought to be, sovereign.

If each member of the lodge should demand a share of the money in the treasury to help his church it would call for a nice discrimination to avoid bankruptcy of the lodge.

A BIG SUM FOR MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

In referring to Illinois the grand master says:

While noting money matters, we state that on recommendation of the finance committee, \$20,000 were appropriated for mileage and per diem of officers, representatives and committees. Put into the hands of a committee of benevolence such a sum would do lots of good. But we are again reminded of that preventive against "nose-bleed" which admonishes one to keep his nose out of other people's business.

Perhaps the only reason Alabama does not pay out \$20,000 for mileage and per diem is that it does not have 96,000 members and a big state to travel over. Notwithstanding this large sum did Brother TITCOMB notice that our grand lodge collected over \$30,000 to build and

maintain our two excellent masonic homes? Other sums went to other benevolences. Illinois does not do things in a small way when it comes to the relief of "a worthy distressed brother, his widow and orphan." The distinguished brother need not fear the "nose-bleed" as no one objects to his friendly interest in our affairs.

BROTHER BEACH'S ORATION.

Reference is made to the oration as follows:

The grand orator, R.W. Bro. Elmer E. Beach, delivered a very able address on the subject of "International Brotherhood." We could not do the speaker justice by one or two brief extracts from his address; hence we desist. The production will easily bear more than one reading.

SOUND ON MEXICO.

The resolution in our grand lodge for the recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico is quoted in full with the following comment:

Whenever we feel assured that Mexican Masonry is the pure unadulterated article no one will more gladly recommend recognition than the writer.

ABOUT BROTHER ROBBINS.

Regarding Brother ROBBINS' report is the following just tribute:

To say that the report on correspondence is the work of M.W. Bro. JOSEPH ROBBINS gives assurance that it is a masterpiece of masonic effort.

That Brother TITCOMB appreciates the great ability of our beloved brother who has gone hence is evident from the following:

When so able a scribe as Brother Robbins says of the writer's report:

"It is up to high water mark in interest and ability," he subjects us to the danger of swelling with vanity, to the bursting point, like Aesop's frog. But, in all seriousness, we hold commendation from Brother Robbins as one of the highest compliments we could receive.

It looks a little strange to see Grand Master BELL's name as ALEXANDER H. BULL. No doubt it was a "bull" of the printer which escaped the proof reader.

The grand master is LAWRENCE H. LEE, Montgomery. GEORGE A. BEAUCHAMP, grand secretary, Montgomery.

ALBERTA.

Proceedings not received at time of going to press. Will be inserted at close of this report if received in time.

ARIZONA—1910.

19 LODGES.

28TH ANNUAL.

1,807 MEMBERS.

A neat booklet of 132 pages tells the story of masonry in the territory of Arizona for 1910. The 28th annual communication was held at Tucson, February 8-10. Though there are but nineteen lodges and less than 2,000 members, five sessions reaching over three days were required to transact the business. In this state with over 700 lodges and a membership of 96,000 only three sessions are required. Still it was no doubt necessary for the greater number of meetings to plan for the future greatness of this far away country.

M.W. Bro. FRANK PIERCE, grand master of California, was present and was received with the honors due his station.

Among the representatives of other grand lodges, M.W. ARTEMUS LOUDEN GROW, was present to answer for Illinois.

GRAND MASTER'S ANNUAL ADDRESS.

Grand Master FRANK THOMAS presented a brief, comprehensive and interesting annual review of the work of his jurisdiction for the year past. He notes the death of three past grand masters. Among these was ANSEL M. BRAGG, the first man called to preside over the Grand Lodge of Arizona. The mortality among the past grand masters was pretty great. The death of Bro. LOYAL L. MUNN was recorded. No mention is made of the departure of Brother ROBBINS. Can it be possible that the notice sent out by Grand Master BELL went astray? This must be the reason.

The grand master did not report any decisions.

DISPENSATIONS.

The grand master reports only four dispensations. One of these was to enable a lodge to re-ballot on the petition of a rejected candidate. Little is said of the reason for this. It is the exercise of a dangerous and questionable power and the circumstances must have been very pressing. It is usually wisest to leave the result of a ballot as at first determined. In cases of gross error or manifest wrong it may be permitted that a dispensation for a new ballot be issued.

Another dispensation was issued to permit a lodge to hold its "regular meeting" on a date different from the one fixed in the by-laws.

Where does a grand master get the right to set aside a lodge by-law after it has been regularly adopted and is in force? Grand masters have great power but they can scarcely claim the right to set at naught a valid law of a lodge.

VISIT OF PRESIDENT TAFT.

On October 12, WILLIAM H. TAFT, president of the United States, was a visitor in Aztlan lodge at Prescott. At the cost of disarranging his program, Brother TAFT accepted the invitation of the master of the lodge and was received as a humble Mason among those who met him in the lodge as an equal. Such is Masonry. Men in high or low position are but craftsmen when they pass the tiled recesses of a lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS.

Though but feeble in number of lodges and members the true fraternal spirit is strong and healthy. The reports show that a fund of \$11,025.95 is on hand to provide for the needy widows and orphans of Masons. It is hoped that our Arizona brethren will not think it to be an impertinence when the suggestion is made that this provision should be so extended as to include the "worthy distressed brother" also.

200TH ANNIVERSARY.

A committee of nine was appointed to co-operate with other grand lodges in the celebration of the bi-centenary of the organization of the Grand Lodge of England, "the mother grand lodge of the world." This is to be on the 24th of June, 1917.

This grand lodge receives the representatives of all other grand lodges and accords them the honors of Masonry.

ON DANGEROUS GROUND.

On report of the committee on foreign correspondence the Grand Lodge "Alpina" of Switzerland was recognized. It occurs to the writer that scant investigation and superficial discrimination must have been made in this action. This Swiss body is thoroughly in accord with the Grand Orient of France and other atheistic bodies in the "bad lands" of southern Europe.

The record closes with the minutes of the Past Grand Master's Association of Arizona. This organization was formed at this session of the grand lodge. A full set of laws and regulations was adopted and appear in the proceedings of the grand lodge.

No report of correspondence is given and presumably no review of the doings of grand lodges in general was made.

The grand master is FRANK THOMAS, Phoenix.

The grand secretary is GEORGE J. ROSKRUGE, Tucson.

ARKANSAS—1909.

543 LODGES.

67TH ANNUAL.

19,535 MEMBERS.

The 67th annual, together with various emergent communications, are reported in a handsome volume of 250 pages.

THE ORPHANS' HOME.

The dedication of the Masonic Orphans' Home at Batesville was an event of superior importance to the craft of Arkansas. This was on September 30, 1909. An interesting statement was that the home is free of debt. Arrangements were made at the annual meeting whereby the expenses of maintenance are provided. Arkansas is to be congratulated in getting into line in making provision for the care of its needy dependents.

The report of the board of trustees shows that there were many children waiting for the doors of fraternity to open for them. About 280 are eligible to admission. A fine picture shows a group of buildings bespeaking comfort and healthful surroundings. The feature of the dedication was a poem by Bro. FAY HEMPSTEAD, poet laureate of masonry under the title "Like as a City Set on a Hill." The brethren so much appreciated this production that Brother HEMPSTEAD gave it before the grand lodge in its annual session, held at Little Rock, November 16.

The proceedings show a successful meeting of the grand lodge in its 67th annual. Eleven past grand masters, seventeen district deputy grand masters and forty-seven representatives of other grand jurisdictions were noted as present. Illinois' representative did not respond.

ANNUAL REVIEW.

The grand master's annual address was plain and practical, concerned chiefly with the details of the business of the year. A single extract will show something of the spirit of the grand master.

The calm reflection that Masonry has for ages stood for the moral and intellectual advancement of mankind, that it has, as no other fraternal society and few other institutions of any kind have done, proved its ability to stand the test of time, that it has always successfully resisted innovations upon its sacred purposes, that it has never yielded to nor been swayed by either political, sectional or purely commercial purposes, but has steadily maintained its standard of purity, justice and uprightness, undismayed by fierce opposition, unshaken by tempest of warfare and unaffected by mutations of time, and that it has contributed so much to the world's material and moral welfare, should be a source of increasing gratification to its votaries. Its achievements are the common heritage of all of us, from the youngest Entered Apprentice to the grand master, and in its splendid history there is glory enough and to spare for us all.

Mention is made of the death of R.W. Bro. LOYAL L. MUNN and of M.W. Bro. JOSEPH ROBBINS.

HELPED THEMSELVES.

The grand master notes the Brinkley cyclone disaster. Help was offered by the grand master but the brethren of Brinkley pulled themselves together and declined to receive aid. Their courage was commendable.

DECISIONS.

Only eight points of law were reported by the grand master and these were of little interest outside of Arkansas.

In one of these it was held that a director or stockholder in a corporation which operates a hotel with a saloon therein cannot be admitted or retain membership in a masonic lodge.

In another it was decided that a corner stone of a church cannot be laid on Sunday. This is in line with Illinois law.

USES HIS VETO.

The grand master used his veto on dispensations very liberally and from his report judiciously. Two different lodges asked to be allowed to admit a one-legged man—the same man in each case. The grand master declined to violate the law of physical qualifications or sanction its rupture by the lodge.

A GENERAL GRAND LODGE.

Little favor is shown the idea of a general grand lodge as the following paragraph clearly shows:

I note in some quarters a persistent and growing effort to bring about a concert of action on the part of the grand lodges of this coun-

try. This has been manifested by certain conferences of grand masters. These meetings are in themselves harmless, and may be productive of some good, in exchange of views on topics of common interest concerning exact uniformity in the esoteric work, and the like. But they lead inevitably to some kind of union of all the grand lodges into one general governing body, in the nature of a national or supreme lodge. Against such a movement we should firmly set our faces, for this grand lodge should, in my judgment, never surrender a particle of its sovereign powers.

THE EASTERN STAR.

The Arkansas grand lodge does not shy at the good sisters, or the "oriental twinklers" as Brother ROBBINS was wont to designate them. Membership is accorded the sisters on the Orphans' Home board. WINNE D. SIMPSON is reported as having been elected by the grand chapter. At another time during the session the grand matrons of Mississippi and of Arkansas were admitted during recess of the grand lodge and made remarks to the brethren. Also the "Poet Laureate of the Order of the Eastern Star of Arkansas" recited a poem which was "lovely." The ladies then withdrew and the grand lodge resumed business. This sisterly and brotherly relation is truly beautiful.

UNCLE SAM'S COLD SHOULDER.

A claim for \$2,400 for rent for 1865 to 1867 was turned down by the U.S. Court of Claims on the ground "that the Grand Lodge of Arkansas was disloyal to the United States during the Civil War." The grand secretary forcibly adds this comment:

But what stretch of the imagination could conjure up disloyalty on the part of this grand lodge during the two years after the war had closed, during which it is conceded rent is owed, is beyond my comprehension.

It is a pleasure to say "Amen" to Brother HEMPSTEAD's comment. Individuals might have been disloyal but a lodge would have trouble in finding a way to be. Uncle Sam is too sensitive as this case has shown.

The grand orator could not be present and there was no oration.

APPRECIATED AT HOME.

It is evident that the saying that "a prophet is not without honor save in his own country" does not apply to the masonic poet of Arkansas. By request Bro. FAY HEMPSTEAD recited "Adios," the poem read by him before the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the U.S. at Savannah, Ga., the week previous. The poem appears in full and is quite worthy of the space it occupies.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

The report was written by Bro. THOS. C. McRAE, whom the writer remembers as a fellow member of congress in the nineties.

The Grand Orient of the Ottoman Empire was allowed to await further information. The committee says that

In one form or another the liquor question has been considered by a great many grand lodges in the last few years, and the general verdict has been that the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors is inconsistent with Masonry.

In the review of other grand lodges the committee is content to give copious extracts from state papers. Large quotations are made from Brother BELL's address.

HIGHLY APPRECIATED.

Brother BEACH's oration is described as follows, "The address of Grand Orator BLACK (of course BEACH is meant) on 'International Brotherhood' is very interesting, instructive and ennobling. It deserves a place among great orations. We commend it to all Masons and patriots of all parts of the world." Then follows almost a full page extract from the oration.

OF BROTHER ROBBINS.

Of our great brother who has gone over the committee says most appropriately:

Brother Joseph Robbins, one of the oldest and most interesting correspondents, died July 19, 1909.

When all the overwork of life
Is finished once, and fallen asleep
We shrink no more beneath the knife,
But having sown prepare to reap.
Delivered from the crossway rough,
Delivered from the thorny scourge,
Delivered from the tossing surge,
Then shall we find—please God!—it is enough.

The grand master is A. J. WITT, Pocahontas.

The grand secretary is FAY HEMPSTEAD, Little Rock.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

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CALIFORNIA—1909.

330 LODGES.

60TH ANNUAL.

41,007 MEMBERS.

The "Golden Gate" state sends out a most interesting record of its proceedings in the 60th annual communication of its grand lodge held in San Francisco October 12 to 15 inclusive. Although California has less than half as many lodges and members as Illinois yet one day more is required in the transaction of its business. The session of 1909 was a busy one and was full of interest. Masonry is flourishing in this Pacific state as is shown in a net increase of 2,338 in its membership. The handsome, boyish face of the retiring grand master, OSCAR LAWLER, is the first thing to challenge the attention of the reviewer.

Fourteen past grand masters are recorded as present.

NO EXCHANGE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

California does not exchange representatives with other grand lodges. Hence the printed proceedings are the only means of keeping in touch with our far-western sister grand lodge.

THE ANNUAL SUMMARY.

The address of the grand master is an exhaustive document, although Brother LAWLER apologizes for necessary absence from the state. Had he been there all the time it is not easy to conceive of the greatness of his work.

MASONIC HOME QUESTION.

His report contains an extensive review of their Masonic Home situation. Heretofore the Home at Decoto has been under the direct control and management of the grand lodge itself. The children and the aged were kept under one control. It appears that the experiment did not work well. It became necessary to segregate. Another serious obstacle encountered was a limited water supply. Another home is in southern California at San Gabriel, near Los Angeles. This was under management of a private corporation. Being somewhat difficult for the brethren to maintain this institution they came forward and tendered it to the grand lodge. This proved a solution of the problem. The offer was accepted and the children will be kept in the Southern California Home and the adults at Decoto. With a membership of only 40,000 it makes a pretty heavy financial burden to support two homes in the manner that California Masons always do things. For this reason a per capita tax of \$1 is levied in addition to the grand lodge expenses provided for i

annual dues. A grand jurisdiction with a small membership finds a good many rocks and shoals in the Masonic Home sea. With over 100,000 members in Illinois it is comparatively easy to support our two choice institutions. Our aged and indigent and our children can be easily supported by thirty-five cents per member. So far our ninety cent grand lodge dues have been ample for the annual cost of maintaining our two Homes.

FARM DID NOT PAY.

The grand master reports that the board of trustees found it inadvisable to farm it themselves. There was a loss at the end of the year. So they decided to lease all the land not needed for buildings, grounds and garden.

HELPS SICILY.

Contributions from California to the earthquake sufferers in Sicily were more than needed. A balance of \$2,368.50 remained and this was placed in a special fund for similar relief as occasion might require.

NO PHILIPPINE GRAND LODGE.

After due investigation and deliberation it was decided not to organize a grand lodge in the Philippines. California has chartered three lodges in that land. There is so much of the aroma of the Grand Orient of Spain that it was thought of doubtful expediency. Spain has chartered Philippine lodges. As many of these Grand Orients are irregular and clandestine they are a good thing to avoid. Our western neighbor, therefore, wisely holds its chartered lodges under direct control and thus free from contamination with the "Grande Oriente Espanol." A pleasing incident and one showing a beautiful spirit of amity and concord among grand lodges was the correspondence with the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. Many Keystone State Masons are in the Philippines and have been clamoring for the organization of lodges by their mother grand lodge. Pennsylvania responded to a letter from California saying that the far eastern archipelago was the proper and legitimate field of the Pacific state.

CRUSHES THE CLANDESTINES.

Under the head of "Clandestine Masonry(?)" the grand master gives a well directed blow to an evil that has cropped out in other states. In some cases the civil law has been invoked for its extermination. Here is what he says:

Some attention has been attracted by the so-called clandestine lodges, a few of which have sprung into existence in or about the city of San Francisco, and abortive attempts at the organization of which occurred in Los Angeles and in the city of Oakland. Like most things of base conception, they have, upon being brought to the light, languished, and

languishing will soon die. The promoters are frauds and adventurers, compared to whom Benedict Arnold might be reckoned a patriot and Judas Iscariot a Christian martyr. They and their efforts have been treated with that silent contempt which was their due, and, while we have been advised that, in a few instances innocent and unsuspecting men have been imposed upon, paying money for so-called initiation under what must have been false pretenses, in the main it is not believed that their efforts have entitled them to serious consideration.

LETTER FROM BROTHER TAFT.

A *fac simile* letter from President TAFT appears in the proceedings. The navy department of the government gave two pieces of oak from the historic old U. S. S. Constitution. From these was made a gavel to be used by the grand lodge in its sessions. Brother TAFT, member of Kilwinning Lodge No. 356, Cincinnati, Ohio, commends this use of the timber from "Old Ironsides."

MIXING WITH MEXICO.

California has been mixing in the business of recognizing so-called Mexican grand lodges. The following shows how their fingers have been scorched by so doing:

An Edict of the grand master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, severing masonic communication between the masonic fraternity of Texas and all those holding allegiance to the Grand Lodge Benito Juarez, was presented, and inasmuch as the Grand Lodge of California had by formal resolution, passed in 1902, recognized said Grand Lodge Benito Juarez, it was considered advisable that this grand lodge should seriously consider the reasons for such severance; and the said edict and the evidence prompting it were referred to the committee on jurisprudence.

The committee took a little more time to think about it and thus let themselves down gracefully.

A HALF-MILLION DOLLAR TEMPLE.

The gigantic enterprise of building a half-million dollar temple is before the California brethren. Some wanted the grand lodge to be the whole thing but the majority decided to let the Grand Chapter and Grand Commandery have a part in financing the undertaking. As these other bodies are built upon Masonry and all their members are Masons it was thought to be proper and expedient to let them in.

MASONIC LAW.

Thirty-four decisions were submitted by Grand Master LAWSON and referred to the committee on jurisprudence. The committee in its report says that—

The grand master has made a most valuable innovation in regard to his decisions, one that, looking to the best interests of the grand lodge,

we hope will serve as a precedent for all coming grand masters. Copies of his decisions were submitted to the chairman of this committee several weeks ago. This has enabled us to give them much more careful consideration than has heretofore been possible. It is obvious that if this method be followed in the future this committee will be in much better position to assist the grand lodge than it has occupied heretofore, where it has been compelled, within a few hours, to review, consider and report on a great number of rulings, many of which involved doubtful questions of great importance. The thanks of the grand lodge should be extended to Grand Master Lawler for inaugurating what we are sure will be an established custom.

The original correspondence in each case went to the committee and enabled the members to reach a much more intelligent conclusion.

Most of the decisions were of purely local interest and do not require any notice here.

No. 1 Is in harmony with Brother BELL's going-to-church decision. They are advised to go to church but not as a lodge with masonic clothing.

No. 6. A non-affiliate for 12 years holding a dimit from another state is under California law not entitled to visit a lodge. This is quite sound. He might in the meantime have been expelled or suspended for some offense.

No. 12. In order to have the right to vote a brother's dues must be paid according to the law. Why not suspend him if he is able to pay? A man who does not think enough of lodge privileges to pay his share of the cost of maintaining the lodge ought not to be allowed to remain a member. If too poor to pay dues remit them. In No. 22 a Mason suspended for non-payment of dues may be accorded masonic burial if "No other offense has been established." This is generous but scarcely just to those faithful to their lodge obligations.

THE LIQUOR QUESTION.

The attitude of California on the liquor question is embraced in the following:

Resolved, That no spirituous, malt or fermented liquors shall be served at any masonic banquet or gathering.

Notice that it does not contain the word "vinous."

The annual oration was given by BENJAMIN F. BLEDSOE on the question "Operative or Speculative?" It was a carefully prepared paper and contained much of value.

An application for recognition of the Grand Orient of Italy was denied.

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Was written and presented by EDWARD H. HART. It is ably written and contains much of interest to the craft. Illinois is quite liberally treated in six pages of his valuable space.

ABOUT OUR HOMES.

Of our Homes the correspondent makes the following comment:

Illinois has two Masonic Homes, the Orphan Home at Chicago and the Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan, Illinois, for aged and indigent Masons, the wives and widows of Masons. One of the distinctive features of the Orphans' Home is the policy of placing children, so far as possible, in desirable families, where they may be reared in the pure and wholesome atmosphere of the real home, and this policy has met with a considerable measure of success. At the Orphans' Home there has been an average of fifty residents during the year, the average cost per capita for maintenance was \$192.36.

There has just been completed at the Sullivan Home a new main building, which it is believed will be adequate for the accommodation for a long time to come of all that will need its sheltering protection. Eighty-three residents are enrolled at the Sullivan Home and the yearly cost per capita for maintenance appears to have been \$260.

The Homes are in excellent condition, and some of the features of management, especially of the Orphans' Home at Chicago are worthy of the thoughtful attention of other jurisdictions.

High praise is given Brother BEACH's oration and an extended summary is presented.

ROBBINS' REPORT.

The correspondence report covering 350 pages, a volume in itself, is probably as exhaustive as any issued by any jurisdiction, and is admittedly as learned. The reviewer, Dr. Joseph Robbins, past grand master, is the pride of the jurisdiction of Illinois and is deferred to by masonic writers all over the world as one of the most learned and profound of living authorities on masonic law and jurisprudence. His list, prepared by request of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, of masonic grand bodies throughout the world, segregating them into three classes—those that are unqualifiedly regular and entitled to recognition; those that are qualifiedly regular and hence entitled to limited recognition, and lastly, those that are unqualifiedly irregular and entitled to no recognition whatever, has been, by common consent, adopted in this country as the standard of authority and guidance.

He then adds, "Brother ROBBINS' review of California is courteous and free of criticism."

The grand master is W. FRANK PIERCE, San Francisco; and the grand secretary, JOHN WHICHER, Call Bldg., San Francisco.

CANADA—1909.

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

411 LODGES.

54TH ANNUAL.

43,000 MEMBERS.

A well printed volume of about 600 pages details the work done in the 54th annual meeting held at the city of London. Five specials, where corner-stones were laid, are also recorded. A very fine portrait of the present venerable grand master, M.W. Bro. DANIEL FRASER MACWATT, graces the first page.

ON THE THRONE.

The presence of the grand master is noted in these words, "M.W. Bro. AUGUSTUS TOPLADY FREED *on the throne.*" In the States grand masters are clothed with great dignity and are most highly regarded but they have not yet been enthroned.

Representatives of thirty-eight grand jurisdictions are recorded as present. Among these appears the name of ABRAHAM SHAW, who stands for Illinois.

WELCOME BY THE MAYOR.

An address of welcome by the mayor of the city of London was a preliminary to the opening of the grand lodge. The mayor evidently accords Masonry a high place in the social state as these words indicate:

Most Worshipful Sir, we have found you to be a worthy Mason and grand master. The purpose of this assembly of the best men of the premier province is to inculcate the fundamental and basic principles of national character—morality. If Ontario is to become the strong right arm of our great empire, then Masonry must do its duty.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The address of Grand Master FREED was full of facts and figures and sets out a busy year's work. Only five decisions were reported. No. 4 is stated as follows:

On a petition for initiation the ballot was taken; the ballot-box was inspected and placed upon the altar; and, after a reasonable time, the worshipful master declared the result. Afterward the tyler objected to the validity of the ballot on the ground that he had not been given an opportunity to vote. Ruled, that the declaration by the master is final, and the ballot cannot be re-opened. The tyler had a right to vote, but he did not claim that right, and his neglect cannot affect the result.

This looks very much as though the tyler had been deprived of his vote. If attending to his duties he could not claim his right unless

called in and informed of the progress of the ballot. The other decisions are of minor matters and are not of general interest.

HELPS ITALIAN SUFFERERS.

A generous impulse led the grand master to send \$1,000 to the Grand Lodge of Italy for the relief of the earthquake sufferers. In acknowledging this noble gift the grand master signs himself "C. M. FURARI, 33°, the grand master of Italian Masonry." It is not easily seen where the 33° comes in in Ancient Craft Masonry.

OUSTED HIM.

A district deputy grand master who had removed to Michigan to reside was removed from office, notwithstanding he had been elected by the craft. In Canada the D.D.G.M. is required to visit the lodges in his district and make a detailed report of same. They do not appear to be retained as mere ornaments as so many in Illinois are.

O.E.S. SHUT OUT.

The Order of the Eastern Star is held not to be founded on Masonry and is denied the right to meet in masonic halls under the law which is as follows: "It is improper to allow a lodge room to be used jointly with other societies, or for other than masonic purposes. This, however, shall not be construed as excluding bodies that claim to be masonic and are founded on Craft Masonry." This is a little rough on our "sisters, our cousins and our aunts," to say nothing of our mothers, our wives and our sweethearts. A slight modification of this very rigid law would be in the interest of a better feeling with an organization that distinctly disclaims being masonic and yet is so closely allied to it as to prove a valued auxiliary.

NO ELECTIONEERING THERE.

The grand master very wisely puts his stamp of disapproval upon electioneering methods in lodges in these words:

Several circulars have been forwarded to me issued for the purpose of promoting the candidature of certain brethren for office. One of these records the passing of a resolution by a lodge and the appointment of a committee to secure votes for a member of that lodge. Such methods of conducting a canvass savor much of the practices of politicians, and I believe them to be contrary to the spirit of Masonry. If a brother's service and merit do not recommend him to the favorable consideration of his brethren, he is probably one who is not eminently qualified for the office he seeks. I trust that practices of this sort will be discountenanced by the brethren, who can, by voting against candidates thus urged upon the craft, make such canvassing unprofitable.

This is wholesome and it is to be regretted that political methods sometimes creep into so good a grand lodge as that of Illinois.

The report of the grand treasurer shows a very healthy financial condition, \$112,400.36 being in the belt.

ALL PAST MASTERS CAN VOTE.

Grand officers are elected by vote taken in the lodges. All past masters have a right to vote. Even a visiting past master can vote if he has a certificate of good standing in his own lodge. Nominations are made at the grand lodge session. Those nominated must indicate their acceptance to gain a place on the ticket. The returns are canvassed and the result announced at the next session of the grand lodge. It does not seem likely that Illinois will accept this innovation upon its plan of election.

A liberal brother presented the grand lodge with "a full set of undress masonic clothing for the use of the officers of the grand lodge." How would the ordinary clothes of an every day gentleman differ from the "undress" kind?

REVIEW OF GRAND LODGES.

The report on correspondence comes from the hand of HENRY ROBERTSON and his twenty-seven years of experience have brought excellence. Hence a very fine review of the Masonry of the world is presented.

Three pages are devoted to Illinois and Brother BELL's report is liberally quoted. The refusal to grant a dispensation to attend church on Easter is given in extenso and with full accord.

"Bro. Gil. W. Barnard, whose death we greatly regret, will be missed by many Masons outside his own grand lodge and we personally feel that we have lost a true friend," is a beautiful tribute in which all heartily join.

BROTHER ROBBINS' REPORT.

The report says that "the report on correspondence by Bro. JOSEPH ROBBINS is a voluminous one and shows a thorough grasp of the subject." The review of Alabama on Queensland is quoted in full. The report says that—

Brother Robbins finds fault with the constitutional provision requiring two black balls to reject, but we might say that very nearly all, if not all of our lodges have taken advantage of the permission given by the same provision and require unanimity.

Then why not change the law and make it unanimous?

The grand master is DANIEL F. MACWATT, Sarnia, and the grand secretary, R. L. GUNN, Hamilton.

COLORADO, 1909.

117 LODGES.

49TH ANNUAL.

13,546 MEMBERS.

A handsome book of about 600 pages sets forth the doings of fourteen special and the 49th annual communications of the Centennial state. Eleven of the specials were to lay corner-stones, two to constitute lodges and one to dedicate a lodge room.

The handsome face of the grand master, with a brief biography, is a fitting beginning for the proceedings of the annual communication which was held at Denver, September 21 and 22, 1909. The grand master, JOHN B. HAFFY, was on the "throne" as our British cousins would say.

HONORS TO REPRESENTATIVES.

Forty-one representatives of other grand lodges answered to roll call. These envoys of other jurisdictions were called to the East and the grand master greeted them in these words:

We give you a fraternal greeting as representatives of your different grand jurisdictions, and welcome you to the forty-ninth annual communication of this grand lodge. It gives me great pleasure to inform you that the relations now existing between this grand lodge and all other grand jurisdictions are most cordial and harmonious. I trust you will convey to them our most fraternal greetings and the hope that the conditions now existing will ever continue. Brethren, you are welcome.

To this W. Bro. ALBERT L. MOSES, representing the baby grand lodge, Oklahoma, responded in fitting words. The venerable and distinguished representative of Illinois, former U. S. Senator, HENRY M. TELLER, responded to the roll call. This public reception to the various grand jurisdictions through their ambassadors is a feature of much interest as showing cordial relations of the grand bodies of the world.

HIS ANNUAL ADDRESS.

The grand master's address was a brief document bristling with the business of the craft for the year. He notes the departure of our former grand secretary, LOYAL L. MUNN.

NO DECISIONS.

The grand master does not present any "decisions." He explains his action in these very sensible words:

I have written many letters construing the laws of our grand lodge and citing the decisions of our past grand masters, but have not been

called upon to make any decisions which have not been covered by decisions already rendered or plainly set out in our laws.

Too many aspiring grand masters "get their names in the papers" by encumbering the records with long lists of useless decisions. A comprehensive code of laws requires little by way of elucidation. Often many decisions darken counsel.

ACCOMMODATING TO ILLINOIS.

A request from Ionic Lodge No. 312, Decatur, Ill., to confer degrees on Mt. VERNON W. HENLEY by Monte Vista Lodge No. 73 was complied with and the three degrees conferred. The grand master also received request from Rockford No. 102 to confer the three degrees on EARL B. EASON. The same was referred to Euclid No. 64 but no report is made further.

But two cases came before the committee on appeals and grievances. This indicates a state of peace and harmony truly commendable.

THE GRAND ORATOR.

The oration by Bro. WILLIAM S. PICKERILL was characterized for brevity and force. Quoting THEODORE PARKER, who said, "Every man has at times in his mind the ideal he should be but is not," he adds that

These were ideals which had been revealed unto man soon after his creation, and handed down through the centuries by the institution of Freemasonry, an order whose birth we believe to have been almost coincident with the foundation of the world. Its footsteps printed the earth just after it rose wet and dripping from the deluge, when the firmament was spanned by the glittering rays of the "rainbow of promise," and through the ages it has taught Jew and Gentile the beautiful lessons of brotherly love, relief and truth, and maintained in the nations of the earth the cardinal virtues of Temperance, Fortitude, Prudence and Justice.

Steps were taken to prepare to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the organization of this grand lodge at its next session.

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Was written by LAWRENCE N. GREENLEAF, who has been doing this work for twenty-four years prior to this. It is an able review of the proceedings of sixty-two grand lodges of the world. Illinois is briefly but well treated. The report says:

The address of Grand Master ALEXANDER H. BELL is a very complete and business-like presentment of his official acts and matters for legislative action.

The report of the action of Grand Master BELL in refusing to grant a dispensation for a lodge to attend Easter services is quoted with ap-

proval. The work of our Homes is referred to as "a grand work." The oration is treated by saying:

An eloquent oration was delivered by Bro. Elmer E. Beach, grand orator, who took for his subject, "International Brotherhood." It was a masterly effort and covers twelve pages of the proceedings. It was one of the most earnest pleas for brotherhood and the peace of the world that we have read.

QUOTES BROTHER ROBBINS.

In referring to the report on correspondence he says that it "is from the pen of the dean of the guild, Past Grand Master JOSEPH ROBBINS, and easily takes first rank." In replying to comments of Brother ROBBINS concerning the existence of Masonry among the North American Indians, the reviewer says:

We narrated an actual occurrence as related to us. The only question at issue is one of fact. The fact was attested by the testimony of two distinguished past grand masters of two separate and large jurisdictions, both of whom are now deceased. Many Colorado Masons and those of other far western states can testify from personal experience, of the saving of lives, camp outfits and stock through the interposition of Indian chiefs who recognized and answered masonic signs. We have heard such testimony from living witnesses and it is more convincing than theory. The question has not been settled as to where they obtained their masonic knowledge, but in the midst of savage warfare it stayed the hand of murder and destruction.

MASONIC CLUBS.

In his "Conclusion" a number of live questions are discussed at some length. The organization of "masonic clubs and fraternities" is deprecated. These are said to detract from interest in lodge matters.

RIGHT TO VISIT.

Concerning the right of a brother to object to a visitor Brother GREENLEAF quotes an interesting letter from a member of a lodge in Germany and adds that

There is not the slightest inclination on the part of any American lodge to discriminate against our German brethren. The law applies equally to all, and when this matter is fully understood there should be no further difficulty in the way of establishing cordial and fraternal relations. It would not comport with the dignity of a sovereign grand lodge, and would be extremely belittling in character, to expunge from its constitution what is regarded as a universal law so far as American grand lodges are concerned. As the Grand Lodge of Illinois, as we understand, is now engaged in endeavoring to make this matter plain to the comprehension of our German brethren, we think we should await the result of its efforts in this direction before this grand lodge takes any further steps in the matter.

TWO GREAT ONES GONE.

The report closes with these words:

Since our last report the guild has suffered the loss of two of its most distinguished members, Bros. Joseph Robbins of Illinois, and William M. Cunningham of Ohio, who for many long years have furnished these reports for their respective grand lodges, and who were known wherever Masonry has found an abiding place. Both were known for their fearless expression of opinion on all important questions and their absence from the round table will be sincerely lamented.

The grand master is GEORGE W. MUSSER, Colorado Springs; the grand secretary is CHARLES H. JACOBSON, Denver.

CONNECTICUT—1910.

110 LODGES.

122D ANNUAL.

22,586 MEMBERS.

The doings of three specials and the annual communication are set forth in a handsome book of nearly 600 pages. The first thing that attracts attention is a copy of the "Standard Form of Application" for the degrees in Masonry. Then follows a fine picture of Grand Master GRANNISS. Even with our seventy years as a grand lodge it makes us feel rather like a "kid" among grand lodges when brought alongside of 122 years of work for the ancient craft.

THE SPECIALS.

One of these meetings was to lay away with fitting honors Past Grand Master HENRY ORANGE WARNER. The other two were used to lay corner-stones. The state library and supreme court building brought forth a large number of Masons and a vast concourse of citizens. The program shows that this was a most important and interesting occasion. The laying of the corner-stone of the new town hall at New Canaan was the purpose of the other special.

THE ANNUAL COMMUNICATION.

The 122nd annual was held in the city of Hartford January 19, 1910, at the Masonic Temple. Of the thirty-seven representatives of other grand lodges present the Illinois envoy is recorded as absent.

GRAND MASTER'S ANNUAL ADDRESS.

In most fitting terms Grand Master GRANNISS sets forth the work of the grand lodge for the year 1909. He says of the growth and progress of the fraternity that—

The report of the secretary will show that the total membership has advanced materially. This fact should be very gratifying to all of us and especially as the personnel of the order is being carefully guarded. We do not admit anyone, knowingly, into our order who is unworthy, or unable to appreciate, the honor, beauty, and teachings of Freemasonry. The spirit of this jurisdiction is one of peace, harmony, and good works; and in its relations to sister grand jurisdictions one of peace and good will. Not a murmur of discord has come to my knowledge during the year past. Masonic ideals have a direct relation to human society for that is the place where they are to be wrought out in practicality by the infusion of sweetness and light, beauty, strength and helpfulness; by right living, right thinking, and right doing. Therefore, in our intercourse with our fellows, let us be "workmen that needeth not to be ashamed."

The death of our beloved JOSEPH ROBBINS is noted without comment. The grand master reports being present in Ohio when President TAFT was made a Mason at sight. Without attempting to settle the differences over the right of the grand master of Ohio to make the distinguished citizen a Mason in this way, he says that "The occasion was most auspicious, properly conducted and will be long remembered by those present."

Brother GRANNISS reports his visits to the two conferences of grand masters held at Philadelphia and Baltimore respectively and found them of great interest and profit.

GOING TO CHURCH.

Evidently our Connecticut brethren are not opposed to lodges attending church. Many of the special dispensations granted were to authorize lodges to attend divine service in a body. In Illinois this is not allowed. Grand Master BELL's decision was approved and that is now the law of this state. The reason for this is that such attendance is likely to lead to sectarian differences among members of lodges. The grand lodges of many other states take the same view.

DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE.

The pernicious activity of clandestine lodges and speculators in Masonry is drawing the lines tighter in all directions. In many states a visitor cannot get a chance to prove himself a Mason unless he first shows written evidence that he is in good standing in a regular lodge. Connecticut fell into line on this question. It was decided that the grand secretary should issue a card with a receipt for dues on one side and

his certificate that the lodge is regular on the other. This card is to be kept in stock by the grand secretary and sold to lodges at 5 cents apiece. In view of the edict of our grand master on this subject the forms of this card are appended hereto:

(Obverse side) This is to certify that the lodge named on the reverse side hereof is a regularly constituted lodge and working under the authority and jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, A.F. and A.M.

Grand Secretary.

(Reverse side) This certifies that Brother..... whose signature appears in the margin, hereof, in his own handwriting, is a member of..... Lodge No., of Connecticut, and that his dues are paid up to.....

Secretary.

Void after 1910.

THE MASONIC HOME.

Of their great work for the needy the grand master says concerning the Masonic Home:

It is our home. We are responsible for its being and, likewise, for its maintenance. We are proud of it; for it is a living illustration of the vitality of masonic principles to the people of Connecticut. About one hundred persons are now being sheltered and protected by it. The financial interests of the Home, and, in fact, all that pertains to its welfare, are carefully looked after by a most capable board of managers. These men give freely of their time and thought for the work, without receiving a penny for remuneration, simply because their hearts are in it. And I know of no institution whose affairs are more carefully managed than those of our own Masonic Home.

That all the craft may know something of the Home from their own knowledge they have a grand master's day once a year and invite all the lodges to visit the Home. This brings out a large attendance and is most helpful.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR.

Evidently the Grand Lodge of Connecticut is on excellent terms with the "Oriental Twinklers" as Brother ROBBINS was wont affectionately to call them. The grand master says:

It would be impossible for me to tell of all the good things which this Order is doing. It is a most worthy adjunct to our Connecticut Masonry, and its work is most certainly deeply and heartily appreciated. In fact, the Order furnishes us a most inspiring example, and one which we might well emulate, in its interest in and support of the Home. The grand matron was present on the grand master's day and delivered a most interesting and valuable address.

THE GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The grand secretary had trouble in restraining himself but succeeded in a measure. After invading the domain of the grand master he betook himself to facts, records and figures. Before he let go he delivered himself of this choice bit of felicitation:

Continued prosperity, peace and harmony, both within and beyond the borders of this grand jurisdiction, have prevailed throughout the past year. The exhaustive address of the grand master has covered so thoroughly every vital interest, that it would be but repetition, the "gilding of refined gold," to attempt to repeat or to dwell at all upon these details. The events which have called into being emergent communications of this grand body, will be thoroughly discussed in the forthcoming proceedings.

The laying of the corner-stone of a building of so much importance as that erected by the state, under the title of "State Library and Supreme Court Building," is an event which needs to be crystalized into history where it will not be lost, and when the future generations look upon the massive structure and then read the story of its erection and the fact that their ancestors were engaged in the important work of laying the principal stone, naught but feelings of pride will be evoked. It was a proud day and a day that those that come after will be proud to know their fathers participated in.

PLENTY OF DEADHEADS.

The report of the grand secretary shows a membership of 22,586. Of this number he reports 4,661 who pay no dues on account of a law exempting those who have been members for over thirty years. These non-dues payers are an incubus on their lodges. If grand lodge dues are but \$1 per year the great loss to the revenues of lodges may be seen. This \$4,661 would make a snug sum to go to the support of the Home. During the thirty years these paid dues they only paid their share of the burden of supporting the lodge and its work. Their exemption puts an additional load on the young men that come in by making the dues higher than they would need to be if all paid equally. We have no masonic deadheads in Illinois.

A LAW AGAINST FRAUDS.

Through the efforts of the Masons and other interested societies a new law has been enacted. It is as follows:

Any person who shall willfully wear the bronze button, badge or button of the Grand Army of the Republic, or the insignia, rosette, or badge of any fraternal or beneficial order or society, or of any historical, naval, or military organization, with fraudulent intent, or whoever, with such intent, shall use the same to obtain aid or assistance, or who shall use the name of any such society, organization, or order, or the titles of its officers, or its ritual or ceremonies unless entitled to do so under the con-

stitution, by-laws, or rules and regulations of such order or society, or claim to be a member thereof, with intent to deceive or defraud, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined not more than twenty-five dollars, or imprisoned not more than thirty days, or both.

FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE.

The review of the work of grand lodges is written by Grand Secretary Bro. FRANK W. HAVENS, and is his second correspondence report. It consists of 178 pages and is well written. Two and one-half pages are given to Illinois. Brother HAVENS says in opening that—

One is staggered when he casually examines the proceedings of the seventieth annual communication of this grand lodge and faintly realizes how much of interest and wisdom there is to consider and how short the time and space allotted to choose and to fill. Illinois is one of the larger jurisdictions.

Of Brother BELL's report he says:

Then the grand master read his annual address, a paper of nearly forty printed pages, treating of many interesting and important subjects. Very thoroughly did he go over the field and we judge that nothing for which the craft had ears was left untouched.

CONSPICUOUS FOR WHAT IS NOT THERE.

This report is rather striking for what it does not contain. No mention is made of the death of JOSEPH ROBBINS, undoubtedly the greatest correspondent and masonic writer in this country, if not in the world. Since DRUMMOND passed away he has had no rival among American masonic writers and jurists. Neither does he find anything in Brother COOK's splendid report of last year to challenge his attention. No word of reference to it is found. Possibly as Illinois is "out west" it was thought that no good thing could come out of Nazareth. The brilliant oration of Bro. EUCLID B. ROGERS was likewise passed over in silence. However 't is not proper to complain, but by not going into these rich fields the brethren of New England are deprived of much that is valuable in Masonry.

Grand master is FRED A. VERPLANK, South Manchester. Grand Secretary is FRANK W. HAVENS, Hartford.

CUBA—1908-1909.

There are sixty-two lodges but membership is not shown.

As the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Cuba are printed in Spanish and the writer has the misfortune to be uneducated in that language, the first decision was to pass it by without notice. When it was seen that the address of the grand master was in a readable language the court reversed itself and it was then determined to give a glimpse of the Masonry of the "Island Republic" as seen through the eyes of the "Gran Maestro."

FIFTY YEARS OLD.

The Grand Lodge of Cuba as the successor of Colon measures its life as a half century. After felicitating the grand lodge on the reign of peace and quiet among Masons the grand master writes of the condition of the country and its effect on the craft as follows:

The future of the country seems pleasant, because, at last, our fatherland has emerged from that state of severe trials in which the accidents of destiny had submerged it. And everything leads us to hope that, within a short time, educated by the teachings of experience, we, the Cubans, may be able to exhibit ourselves before the civilized world as citizens proven, and worthy of that liberty which we have been enabled to attain through the generous efforts of many generations of heroes and martyrs.

The past year has also been a year of tests for Cuban Masonry. Masonic propaganda needs the aid of its devotees, needs the constant devotion of each and all to the common cause; and this, which in normal periods is an easy task, becomes almost impossible when, as in the past year, the strength of all our citizens was devoted to the defense of political ideals and to the great and delicate task of reconstituting the republic upon firm and solid bases for the preservation of Cuban nationality.

HAS GOOD IDEAS.

The grand master says that he does not favor the organization of more lodges in Havana. In other centers of population with one or more lodges he discourages their multiplication. "I consider that our great effort should be to increase the number of affiliated brethren, always, however making a scrupulous selection among the aspirants." This surely indicates a wise discrimination in the selection of material for membership.

THE HOUSE OF MASONS.

Under the above heading the grand master makes a strong plea for the erection of a masonic temple in Havana. There are serious difficulties mostly of a financial nature in the way of such an enter

prise. Still the aspiration to do things may compensate for a big debt and long years in its payment. Other grand lodges have struggled under similar burdens and have been able to carry the load.

MASONIC (?) LIFE INSURANCE.

The recommendation is made that steps be taken for masonic life insurance. The brother should be reminded that there can be no such thing. Masonry is fraternal and life insurance is business. They won't mix. In the light of the experience of those who have tried life insurance in the name of Masonry the writer would like to exclaim in all the wealth of the Spanish language DON'T.

WANTS INSTRUCTION.

Other recommendations are more in line with growth and success. He wants a library and an "academy or school" to teach the ritual and regulations of Masonry. On this subject he gives the following good advice:

Our lodges should pay more attention to instruction in the ritual. It fills one's heart with sadness to attend the majority of sessions when the three degrees are conferred. Hardly ever does one find brethren sufficiently capable to properly carry out the ceremonies of the degrees. This has a most enervating effect, not only on the candidates, but also on the brethren who may be present at the ceremony. A careful study of the ritual should be insisted upon, in order to grasp its true significance and the pure and true doctrines therein contained. I am pleased to cite as models in this respect the lodges *Island* and *Cuba*. In these lodges great care may be noted of a careful study and application of the ritual, which we should all imitate to make our ceremonies more impressive and more serious.

WILL CELEBRATE.

Preparations are in progress to celebrate in a fitting manner the fiftieth anniversary of the grand lodge. On this the grand master says that—

Half a century of existence gives an incontrovertible strength to the regularity of our Masonry and although a few illusionists endeavor to sustain irregular bodies in Cuba, with pretensions to be regular merely because they say and proclaim it to be so, our long history of constant labors places us in the better situation to combat the few irregular lodges that live in our territory.

ABOUT TWO PRESIDENTS.

The grand master rejoices that the Masons of Cuba now have a friend at court. He says that—

One of the factors which in the new situation inspires pleasant hopes that the prestige of the institution amongst us will be materially in-

creased is the circumstance that the illustrious Cuban who has been called to fill the position of first magistrate of the nation is a brother Mason. However great may be the deceptions we have received on other occasions, in similar cases I think that Masonry may anticipate much good from such an illustrious brother. If, as is to be believed, he does not disdain, from his high place, to lend his concurrence to an institution which in all civilized countries merits the respect and consideration of the public powers. It is one of the most faithful exponents of progress, order and morality. I trust it will be thus this time, because the high gifts and altruistic sentiments that adorn the popular president of our republic are well known to me.

As an example of the high esteem in which the masonic institution is held in the United States, I should refer to the decision of the Hon. W. H. Taft, actual president of the great republic, to submit to be initiated a few days before taking possession of his high office; a ceremony carried out amidst great demonstrations of joy by the American Masons. Whilst others fly from the touch of masonic society, there, in that great country, it is solicited in the precise moment when one can from the heights of power aid the civilizing work of Masonry.

It is much to be regretted that because of the proceeding being in another language the Illinois brethren cannot be made acquainted with the doings of our neighbor on the south.

The grand master is CALIXTO FAJARDO, Havana. The grand secretary is CARLOS G. CHARLES, Havana.

DELAWARE—1909.

22 LODGES.

104TH ANNUAL.

3,049 MEMBERS.

The proceedings of the 104th annual and one special communication are a book of two hundred pages well printed and adorned with the picture of the retiring grand master, HENRY I. BEERS, JR. In a list of thirty-three representatives of other grand lodges present Illinois was without a defender of its rights.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The grand master's address is an interesting and well written paper. He says that "the twelve celestial signs have brought again the annual recounting," but he fails to enlighten his grand lodge further regarding the symbolism of these signs.

WANTS UNIFORM LAWS.

Further:

In the masonic world there is being developed a widespread desire for more intimate relationship and knowledge of the conditions existing in the many grand jurisdictions of the United States, that, through a closer touch with each other, and a better understanding, more uniform laws and regulations may be adopted, tending to remove all cause for inter-jurisdictional friction.

I feel assured that you will agree with me that, in a fraternity which professes to be universal, its laws, in so far as it is possible to have them so should be uniform.

Only two decisions were submitted. Both pertained to jurisdiction and raised no new questions.

PERPETUAL JURISDICTION.

The grand master touches upon the law of perpetual jurisdiction. He says it is local and not based upon the ancient landmarks. He gives the following list of grand lodges showing how this question stands in the various states:

Eight hold territorial jurisdiction only as follows:

Louisiana, Kentucky, Missouri, Nevada, New Jersey, South Dakota, Virginia, Wyoming.

Twenty-eight, a limited jurisdiction, varying from five years to six months.

Five Year Term—Arkansas, District of Columbia, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire, Oregon, Rhode Island, Wisconsin.

Three Year Term—Ohio.

One Year Term—Arizona, California, Florida, Indiana, Georgia, Montana, New Mexico, New York, North Dakota, Tennessee, Vermont, Washington State.

Six Months' Term—Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Oklahoma, Utah.

Thirteen Perpetual Jurisdictions—Alabama, Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Maryland, Minnesota, Mississippi, Nebraska, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, West Virginia, Texas.

Illinois thus appears in very choice company but there is a growing sentiment that a period of five years is sufficient time to hold control over rejected material. The conferences of grand masters should be able to bring about uniformity of jurisdiction among grand lodges on this continent.

BROTHER TAFT AT SIGHT.

Making a Mason at sight is approved in the case of President Taft and justified by reference to MACKEY under Landmark No. 8. Further explanation is that:

Brother Taft made application for the three degrees of Masonry, and was recommended by two of Ohio's past masters and the grand secretary, who petitioned the grand master, on good and sufficient ground to make him a Mason at sight. The grand master granted the petition, called an occasional communication of the grand lodge, the candidate was presented at the altar, took the same obligations you have taken, was instructed in the esoteric work and declared a master Mason.

The committee on necrology notes the death of Past Grand Secretary LOYAL L. MUNN.

ANNUAL REVIEW OF GRAND LODGES.

The report of the committee on foreign correspondence is by L. H. JACKSON and is well written and full of interest. That it is pointed and brief is shown by the fact that only seventy-five pages are required to tell the world's masonic story as viewed by Delaware. Illinois is accorded two of these pages.

THE SULLIVAN HOME.

Of our Home at Sullivan the report says:

A magnificent Home it is, commodious and most comfortable, judging from the beautiful picture of it given in the Proceedings. It has sheltered and cared for an average of fifty members during the year, at an annual average cost per capita of \$192.36. A noble Masonic Charity, indeed!

Allusion is made to Brother BEACH's oration as "able and instructive" and a lengthy quotation made to show its appreciation.

BROTHER ROBBINS, "PRINCE OF REVIEWERS."

The following will be especially pleasing to Illinois Masons. We at home are conscious of the distinction the peerless work done by Brother ROBBINS as a Masonic writer has given to Masonry in this grand jurisdiction.

The report of the committee on masonic correspondence for 1908 was made by our distinguished friend and brother, Dr. Joseph Robbins, and that is all we need to say in commendation of the work. All who traverse the grand jurisdictions of the world with him will admit it is the fullest, most complete and critical review presented by any of his compeers. We will not call him "Prince of Reviewers," as we once did, for he objects to what he calls "sprouting royalty."

His work is prefaced with a most complete index, which enables us to turn with ease to any subject we desire to see discussed, and is a great relief to our nervous organization. He, being an eminent physician, no doubt knew just how to administer relief to his brethren.

The report covers 349 pages, more than two-thirds of the splendid large volume of proceedings, which comes to us always in the same chaste and beautiful binding, adorned by "that hieroglyphic light, which none but craftsmen ever saw!"

The grand master is EDWARD B. MODE, Wilmington; the grand secretary, VIRGINIUS V. HARRISON, Wilmington.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—1909.

28 LODGES.

99TH ANNUAL.

8,948 MEMBERS.

The capital city grand lodge might be expected to present more or less of novelty but its kaleidoscopic method of holding its communications is rather confusing to one from the country. Constant association with the statesmen of this and other lands enables the Washington City brethren to acquire several wrinkles that are denied to others. The Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia held eight meetings during the year 1909. Three of these were specials and the others were otherwise. The Annual came on December 15, and another apparently quite as annual on St. John's Day, December 27.

CONFERRING DEGREES.

The first meeting is set apart for the exemplification of the several degrees. Information is given that "The esoteric portions of the degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason were then exemplified." This appeared to be the only purpose of the meeting and the grand lodge was closed on ample form.

HONORING THE DEAD.

Special meetings were held for the purpose of paying the last honors of the craft to the remains of Past Grand Masters Jose Maria Yznaga, and David Gilmore Dixon.

At later meetings suitable memorials were presented and adopted.

POWER OF THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER.

Harmony Lodge No. 17 presented the following amendment for approval:

Whenever the lodge is called upon to attend the funeral of a deceased brother, the worshipful master shall summon a sufficient number

of the resident members of the lodge, naming them in alphabetical order, and a brother so summoned shall be present or furnish an acceptable substitute. No brother attending a funeral in obedience to a summons shall again be called upon until his name is reached in regular order.

This was referred to the committee on jurisprudence. After full consideration the committee came to the following conclusion:

It therefore appears that the master has the sole authority to convene his lodge in special communication; that he may compel the attendance of the members by summons; that *he* alone can exercise this power, and that in its exercise he is not subject to the will of the lodge because he is the judge of the exigency or emergency that may require a special meeting.

These powers are inherent in the office of master, and no by-law is needed to validate their exercise, and none is legal which attempts to curtail, control or direct them. That their exercise has been intrusted to the master alone is doubtless due to the fact that the grand lodge looks to him, and not to the lodge, to see that the business of the lodge is properly conducted.

In view of the foregoing your committee begs to state that it concurs in the view expressed by the committee on by-laws, that the proposed amendment in question infringes upon the prerogatives of the master.

The master is responsible to the grand lodge and not to the lodge over which he presides. He cannot, therefore, be instructed to issue summons but may do so at his own pleasure.

Another amendment adopted by the grand lodge provides that "A sentence of expulsion shall operate only as a suspension until confirmed by the grand lodge."

TAKES THE TEMPLE.

After elaborate consideration and lengthy and exhaustive discussion the offer of the Masonic Temple Association to turn over the new temple to the grand lodge was accepted. The title to the same is now vested in the grand lodge and it will hereafter have complete control of the same.

In his address to the annual communication held December 15, 1909, the death of Brother ROBBINS is mentioned by the grand master.

DECISIONS.

Few decisions were reported. The first related to a case where a candidate was seized with epilepsy while passing through the ceremony of initiation. Objection was made to his advancement. The grand master decided as follows:

Upon the statement of the facts before me I decided that if the candidate's faculties were so impaired by reason of his affliction that he could not receive instruction or comprehend the duties and responsibilities incumbent upon membership in the Masonic fraternity, he was disqualified for advancement, and the objection should be sustained. Whether he was in fact, however, so disqualified, did not appear in the record, and was therefore a matter for the decision of the Lodge.

In another decision it is held that it is not lawful for a lodge in the District of Columbia to incorporate.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS.

This being the 99th annual meeting, provisions were made for the celebration of their centennial on an elaborate scale. As the 100th year does not come to a lodge very often it is quite pardonable for those who are in command to make something of a show of themselves.

The Masonic and Eastern Star Home is reported in a very flourishing and helpful condition.

MASONIC LIFE INSURANCE.

Contrary to almost universal experience the Masonic Mutual Life Association is reported to be prosperous, reliable and solvent. It has been running for over forty years. It has paid out more than a million dollars to widows and orphans of deceased Masons. The explanation of its success is found in this statement:

Its business is conducted on the legal reserve plan, whereby every year a sufficient amount of money is set aside to guarantee the payment in full at maturity of all of its claims or obligations.

AN ELEPHANT'S FOOT.

The grand master says that—

March 3, 1909, a curious souvenir in the shape of an umbrella stand with an elephant's foot as a pedestal was presented to the Grand Lodge with the compliments of Bro. Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States. The gift was acknowledged by a personal call and in a letter which also expressed the gratification of the Masonic fraternity of the District of Columbia for the many courtesies it had received from Brother Roosevelt, its regret at his departure from our jurisdiction, and its best wishes for his future prosperity and happiness.

It is not every grand lodge that has a president with an elephant's foot in its membership.

MASONIC BURIAL.

After full investigation the committee on jurisprudence made the following report:

From the foregoing your committee is of opinion that the right or privilege of Masonic burial cannot properly be accorded to the remains of Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts. If, however, the grand lodge, in its wisdom, takes a contrary view, your committee wishes to suggest that as Masonry recognizes no distinctions between its members in the bestowal of its honors, the right or privilege of Masonic burial should be accorded to the remains of all Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts, or to none, and that such a matter should not be left to the discretion of anyone.

The recommendation of the committee was adopted.

ST. JOHN'S DAY COMMUNICATION.

The concluding meeting of the year was held on St. John's Day, December 27. Little business was done beyond the election and installation of the grand officers and putting the machinery in motion for the work of 1910. Of the forty representatives of other grand lodges Bro. L. CABELL WILLIAMSON answered to roll call for Illinois.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

The report on correspondence is made by Past Grand Master G. W. BAIRD and is his tenth. Brother BAIRD visted in Dublin, London, Edinburgh and Neuchatel in Switzerland that he might become familiar with the Masonic conditions of other lands. A well written review of 158 pages is presented. Illinois receives fair treatment in two pages of this report.

VALLE DE MEXICO.

The correspondent got his wires sadly crossed in regard to the action of our grand lodge as to Valle de Mexico. He says that the special committee reported in favor of recognizing Mexico and that the minority composed of Brothers ROBBINS, SCOTT, CRAWFORD and WRIGHT opposed it. The exact reverse was true. Four members of the committee headed by Brother ROBBINS reported adversely to recognition. One member, Brother MOULTON favored it and presented the views of the minority. The worst mistake that Brother BAIRD made, however, is that Mexico was recognized. By a vote of almost two to one the report of the committee was sustained and Mexico was not taken into our Masonic family. Another mistake appears but it is not the fault of the writer of the report. He says that "the National Grand Lodge of Egypt was recognized by Illinois." Our records so show but it was an error in the printed report. The resolution was referred to the committee on correspondence and will come up for consideration at the next meeting.

BROS. ROBBINS AND COOK.

Reference to the report of Illinois on correspondence is as follows:

The Grand Master appointed Bro. Edward Cook to assist Bro. Joseph Robbins, P.G.M., on the correspondence report, where he found the latter failing fast from an incurable disease. Bro. Robbins has been for many years a brilliant and effective writer of the correspondence reports, and though we were unable to agree with him in all he wrote we have ever regarded him as one of the best Masonic writers of the age. He was a Masonic student of rare ability, and with a wonderfully tenacious memory. He had the standard of Masonic worth, and had the courage to attack whatever fell below that standard. It was these little punctures which kept other "correspondents" and other grand lodges on the *qui vive* all the time. Brother Robbins' demise is a loss not only to the Grand Lodge of Illinois but to the whole of American Masonry.

The grand master is GEORGE C. OBER, Washington, D. C., Masonic Temple. The grand secretary is ALVINE W. JOHNSTON, Washington, Masonic Temple.

ENGLAND—1909-10.

2,843 LODGES.

FOUNDED IN 1717. 200,000 MEMBERS (ESTIMATED.)

For 1908 and 1909 no report of the doings of the mother of all grand lodges found a place in Illinois proceedings. This was because Brothers ROBBINS and COOK failed to receive copies of the record of the Grand Lodge of England. Fortunately a sufficient number of records of quarterly communications has come to hand to enable the report of something of the affairs of the most ancient grand lodge. All meetings are held quarterly and very meager account is given of what is done. Quarterly communications to be reviewed were held as follows: December 1, 1909; March 2, 1910; June 1, 1910.

In addition to these was the "annual grand festival" held April 27, 1910. There was, also, an "especial grand lodge" on May 19, devoted to the consideration of the death of King Edward, who was for twenty-seven years grand master of the Grand Lodge of England. His "connection with Freemasonry was not merely titular and sentimental." He was for more than forty years actively engaged in the work of the craft. Suitable resolutions were adopted concerning KING EDWARD and the "Queen Mother." The warm felicitations of the present reigning monarch show the vital connection between royalty and Freemasonry in the British Empire.

THE PRESENT GRAND MASTER A FIGUREHEAD.

At the meeting held December 1, 1909, the pro grand master, LORD AMPHILL expressed deep regret at the absence of the grand master who it seems is not much more than the nominal head of English Masons. The pro grand master is the active and working officer.

The grand master was nominated and re-elected.

The "board of general purposes" reported that the "Freemasons' tavern" was almost complete and that it would "accommodate 800 diners." At the meeting held in March, 1910, £500 or \$2,000 were unanimously voted to relieve those who were suffering by reason of the floods in Paris.

In making the motion to allow this sum the pro grand master expressed pleasure that the benefits were not to be confined to Masons. Others were to be cared for showing thereby the breadth of a Mason's charity.

The "board of benevolence" dispenses its gifts in no sparing way. During the time covered, about six months, £4,300 or \$21,950 were found to be necessary.

Oklahoma was recognized.

Paraguay, having become independent and sovereign, its territory received the official O.K. of England.

The quarterly communication held in June, 1910, makes the nearest approach to the annuals held by most grand lodges. At this meeting minutes of former quarterly communications were read and approved.

BOUNTIFUL BENEVOLENCE.

In referring to the "Whitehaven Relief Fund" the pro grand master says:

According to the papers there has been such a prompt and general response, that a sum of over £30,000 has been collected, and in addition to that, another £35,000 is available under the Workmen's Compensation Act, so that the unfortunate widows and the families of the brave men who perished in that terrible disaster are, according to the local authorities, amply provided for. Under these circumstances I hope you will agree with me that I shall do right in withdrawing the motion. It would, I am sure, have been the wish of the grand lodge to have made a grant in the circumstances, as they are just the very circumstances in which we are always glad to seize the opportunity of showing that ours is no Benefit Society aiming only at mutual self-help, but a society which practices, as well as preaches, the principles of humanity in the widest and truest sense. Still, if these unfortunate people are already provided for, it would be wrong to spend money, and we should rather save

it for those whose needs on some future occasion may be unhappily greater. I therefore ask leave to withdraw the motion.

On account of failing health the venerable grand registrar, Bro. JOHN STRACHAN, was compelled to resign. In appreciation of his long and efficient service the grand lodge, by unanimous vote, presented him "an honorarium of 1,000 guineas." In American money this meant about \$5,000.

RECOGNIZED BY THE NEW KING.

The pro grand master, with becoming modesty, announced that he had been commanded by King George to attend the funeral of the late King Edward in his official capacity that the great brotherhood of Freemasons might have suitable representation. When it is recalled that the present king is not a Mason the great propriety of his action will be seen.

The writer is quite conscious that the foregoing is but a meager and very imperfect attempt to set forth the current condition of Masonry in England. His apology must be the brief and fragmentary reports of the proceedings of the English grand lodge.

FLORIDA—1910.

191 LODGES.

81ST ANNUAL.

9,083 MEMBERS.

A handsome 400-page book reports the doings of the 81st annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Florida, held at Jacksonville, January 18, 19 and 20, 1910. Promptness in getting out the proceedings placed it in the hands of lodges and grand bodies in less than sixty days from the time the session closed. The usual custom prevailed in prefacing the book with the picture of the grand master. LOUIS C. MASSEY presents a sturdy appearance and bespeaks the successful administration he is giving. The custom of re-election of the grand master and other officers prevails there as in Illinois.

Record of five specials is given, four being to lay corner-stones and one to dedicate a masonic temple.

Illinois' representative did not grace the meeting with his presence.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

Grand Master MASSEY in his annual address gave a thorough and exhaustive report of his acts and doings for the year. He does not in-

dulge in rhetoric but is content to present a business-like document. He makes the remarkable statement that "But one complaint has reached me in the past year and that concerning a subject wholly within the discretion of the lodge." Surely harmony is the strength of Florida Masonry.

AS TO BROTHER ROBBINS.

The grand master reports the death of our distinguished brother as follows:

Bro. Joseph Robbins died in July, 1909. The notice of his death does not contain the exact date nor the details of his life. Perhaps the grand master thought, with justice, that details were unnecessary in announcing the death of so learned and distinguished a Mason.

This is quite right and the announcement made by Brother BELL was unique and a classic in this kind of official announcements.

LIMITS DISPENSATIONS.

The grand master wisely wields the veto power on dispensations. Many applications were refused. The error usually lies in a too free use of dispensations. Brother MASSEY is not guilty. He uses a proper discretion and just discrimination. Of nine appeals by lodges for relief of their distressed members he approved four and refused five. Many lodges are in a hurry to run to their neighbors to provide means for the relief of a worthy distressed brother when they have done little or nothing themselves. Discrimination here is of the essence of true charity.

KEY WEST AND CALIFORNIA.

Referring to the hurricane which swept Key West, Grand Master MASSEY says that California was the only state tendering assistance. Five hundred dollars were placed at the disposal of the sufferers. Florida added \$375, the sum returned as a surplus from California on account of the earthquake. The grand master then adds, "Thus all the relief which I was able to send to Key West on this occasion was made possible by the prompt generosity and the prudent management of our brethren in California." Might not the Grand Lodge of Florida properly have added something to the generosity of California out of their own treasury for the sufferers at Key West?

DECISIONS.

The grand master rules in forty-two cases on matters of law coming up from the lodges. Scarcely a point is raised that is not of purely local interest. It is held in line with Illinois law that corner-stones cannot be laid on Sunday, even when the edifice is a Christian church.

Another decision is that the widow of a Mason who marries a profane loses by such marriage any claim for masonic relief as the widow of a Master Mason.

REFUSED RECOGNITION.

The report of the committee on foreign correspondence reported adversely to the recognition of the Grand Lodge of Roumania, the Grand Orient of Lusitano and the Grand Orient of San Salvador. The protest of the Grand Lodge of Greece over refusal of recognition met with a similar fate. Refusal was re-affirmed. A communication from the Grand Orient of France was filed without action. Florida has a very correct notion of the true inwardness of the grand orients and other questionable bodies claiming to be masonic.

MASONIC HOME AND ORPHANAGE.

The trustees of this institution complain that the lodges have lost interest. Only four lodges contributed during the year. The report shows that \$16,008.25 were in the fund for maintaining the Home. No details of Home membership or cost of management are given.

THE ORATION.

The grand orator, Dr. H. S. YEGER, "delivered a very interesting oration which was enjoyed." Thanks were extended. The oration being extemporaneous and without notes it was not possible to obtain a copy for publication. That the effort was satisfactory is shown by the fact that the grand orator was re-appointed.

All officers were re-elected or re-appointed. The record says that "their installation was not necessary at this time."

WORK IN THE DEGREES.

One of the interesting features of the session was the conferring of each of the three degrees, on Tuesday evening the Entered Apprentice, Wednesday, the Fellow Craft, and Thursday the Master Mason's degree.

JURISPRUDENCE.

In a lengthy report the committee on jurisprudence affirms the grand master's opinions. In one case there is dissent. The report is as follows:

6. June 15, Hastings Lodge No. 183, under regulation No. 269-a, a grower of grapes who makes wine therefrom and sells it at the vineyard and at his general store when so permitted by law is not a liquor dealer and is not ineligible for initiation into the mysteries of Freemasonry.

The committee are of the opinion that as the party referred to sells wine in his general store, he is a liquor dealer and comes under the pro

visions of Regulation No. 263 and is ineligible for initiation under Article No. 341 and as Regulation No. 269-a is not in accord with these regulations, it should be repealed.

The grand lodge agreed with the committee.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

SILAS B. WRIGHT presents his review of grand lodges. The introductory is in part as follows:

We herewith present our eighth annual review, but before doing so cannot pass without reference to the passing away of some of the brightest lights who have for many years shed lustre at our round table.

Past Grand Masters Robbins of Illinois, Cunningham of Ohio, Hedges of Montana, Easton of Missouri (who succeeded Brother Vincil), and Barlow of Connecticut, have all passed to the great beyond, during the past year.

They were among the best if not the best of the writers at the round table.

Brothers Cunningham and Robbins were the leaders, of the opposite sides, on the question of the legitimacy of Masons made in lodges working under the Scottish Rite bodies, and were veritable giants in their work and recognized authority in Masonic law. Their writings will live and will form a perpetual claim to recognition as teachers of the craft.

We will miss them sorely and shall ever revere their memory and remember with much pleasure the personal relations it has been our privilege to have with them. Their writings have a permanent place in our library and are among the best of the famous *coterie* of American reviewers of the past century.

Their correspondence reports have always been, with them, a labor of love and they have shed a steady light of exalted brotherhood, unremitting and instructive.

ABOUT ILLINOIS.

About four pages are devoted to Illinois. Of Brother BELL's work he says, "The grand master presents an excellent address, forceful, interesting and complete. He reports a very busy year, being sometimes oppressed with the amount of work." Liberal quotations are made from the grand master's address and the reviewer heartily commends Brother BELL's attitude regarding perpetual jurisdiction as sensible and logical. After referring to the recommendation for a masonic temple the correspondent adds, "Think of the second largest grand lodge on the American continent without a place to keep a record or store a desk." Perhaps that condition is preferable to an overhanging debt. Illinois prefers to use its money in making liberal provision for its worthy distressed Master Masons, their wives, widows and orphans. Its two superb Homes attest this.

DISAGREES AS TO MEXICO.

Eminently sound as regards other clandestine bodies, Brother WRIGHT sadly misunderstands the Mexican situation or is afflicted with a twisted judgment. The unanswerable report written by Brother ROBBINS on his dying bed should show that the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico from every view is not worthy of recognition as a regular body. Texas was compelled to withdraw its recognition of one so-called Grand Lodge of Mexico. Illinois prefers to spare itself this humiliation. Of the half-dozen self-constituted grand lodges of the republic of Mexico none is worthy of a place alongside of Florida and Illinois.

"The oration of Bro. EUCLID B. ROGERS, grand orator, is a gem and deserves attention, but we must hurry by," is the way our grand orator is dismissed.

ONLY HALF RIGHT.

Brother WRIGHT says that the Grand Lodges of Holland and Egypt were recognized. This is only partly true. Holland was recognized, but Egypt was not. The resolution regarding Egypt was referred to the committee on correspondence for report at the next grand lodge. It is an error in the printed proceedings in saying that Egypt was recognized.

Of Brother COOK's report the Florida correspondent says:

The correspondence report is by Past Grand Master Edward Cook. He gives abundant proof that the mantle of Brother Robbins has fallen upon able shoulders.

He apologizes for not giving a more extended notice because of the late arrival of the Illinois volume.

The grand master is LOUIS C. MASSEY, Orlando; grand secretary, WILBER P. WEBSTER, Jacksonville.

GEORGIA—1909.

579 LODGES.

123D ANNUAL.

32,708 MEMBERS.

A most pleasing sensation came to the writer on opening the very handsome 307-page book of proceedings, giving the details of the business of the Grand Lodge of Georgia in its 123d annual meeting. This pleasure came from a view of the genial face of THOMAS H. JEFFRIES, the retiring grand master, who has for many great sons been my valued friend and brother in another fraternal relation. The full page portrait

of the new grand master, HENRY BANKS, further beautifies and adorns the pages of this volume.

The grand lodge met at Macon October 26-28, and, judging from the report, was a very busy as well as useful session. There were present representatives of fifty-one grand lodges. Among these was Illinois' diplomat, Bro. W. M. H. CHAFFEE.

GRAND MASTER'S ANNUAL REPORT.

Grand Master JEFFRIES presented a very able and exhaustive annual address. It was poetical, eloquent and finished. Room can be found for but a paragraph:

When we contemplate Masonry as the ancient and honorable ancestor of all the fraternities of men; consider the power and influence which it has wielded in the creation and consummation of the glorious civilization we enjoy, our hearts rejoice within us that we have been permitted to enjoy its privileges, to partake of its advantages and share in its glory.

Its antecedents are ancient and honorable; its precepts wise and salutary; its tenets pure and catholic. Its mission is that of bearing light to mankind; to teach the loftiest moral virtues and incorporate them in the lives of men, and make them the measure of their actions. Its dogma is faith in God and love for fellow men. It is the author of no creed, the adherent of no sect, the preacher of no religion save the religion of humanity. It denies to no man the freedom of conscience, the liberty to think for himself, the privilege to form his own conclusions. Upon its royal seat, Reason sits enthroned. Upon its sacred altars rests the holy word of God. Masonry believes that God is a Paternal Being, the Father of Mankind. Masonry teaches that all men are the children of God and that the souls of men are the emanations from His spirit. Masonry ascribes to God the perfection of every virtue. It demands of the child of God that idealism which is attained by the selecting and assembling in one individual all the beauties and perfections which are to be derived from the Divine Kinship.

Masonry is the friend and co-adjutor of all that is good; a promoter, not an antagonizer; a peacemaker, not a disturber.

The hand of Masonry is clasped with the hand of every man who would uplift humanity, who would honor God and bring blessings to mankind.

The death of Past Grand Secretary MUNN is noted.

NO NEAR BEER.

Only one decision was made. This was that the "near beer" dealer came under the ban of the law of Georgia excluding liquor dealers.

ABOUT THE EASTERN STAR.

In speaking of the Order of the Eastern Star Brother JEFFRIES says that it has come to stay. The organization has been completed. Its success has been assured." He then adds—

This order, while not technically masonic, is more closely akin to Masonry than all the other fraternities. Composed of Masons and the near relatives of Masonry, its interests are inseparably united to the interests of Masonry.

Since its inception, in Georgia, it has manifested the liveliest interest in the work of Masonry, and this is peculiarly true of its efforts in the equipment of the Masonic Home. The excellent, practical and elegant furnishings of the dining room at the Home have been the gift of the Eastern Star, in their entirety.

This order has recently undertaken to give to the girls and boys, who are growing too old to remain longer in the Home, the benefit of a practical business education, thereby equipping them for the battles of life.

This grand lodge is due the order some substantial recognition of its work for Masonry. I, therefore, recommend that the rules governing the admission of inmates to the Home be so amended, as to admit members of the Eastern Star.

PAST MASTERS DRAW MILEAGE NO MORE.

A rather curious situation is shown regarding finances. Heretofore past masters were paid for attendance at grand lodge. Hundreds were present and on the pay roll. The mileage and per diem payment was over \$18,000, almost as large with its 32,000 members as in Illinois with 96,000. The burden became so onerous that the question was submitted to vote of the lodges. By this the decision was to cut off the feed of the past masters. Now it is thought that an increasing surplus will be found each year.

INTEREST ON DAILY BALANCES.

Again a matter of importance appears. The funds in the treasury of the grand lodge are placed with the bank offering the highest rate of interest on daily balances. The bank gives a bond. A considerable sum is accumulated annually. This year it was \$531.63. In our state no such provision is made and the money is left in the hands of the grand treasurer without interest.

Past Grand Master MURROW, of Oklahoma, was received with the honors of Masonry.

The report of the grand secretary shows sixty-one lodges that failed to report before the session. Brother CUTTER would have had these reports if he had been compelled to go to each place to get them. A grand

secretary has much to do with the delinquency of lodges. If he goes after them, and keeps after them he will get them.

SAN SALVADOR REFUSED RECOGNITION.

Special report of Bro. A. Q. MOODY, committee on correspondence, shows that San Salvador with three constituent lodges is hardly enough of a grand lodge to warrant recognition. There probably are other reasons. Action on request for recognition was indefinitely postponed.

WANTS A JOB.

This report further shows that Dr. J. H. WALLFISCH, of Germany, volunteers to act as the representative before a union of eight German grand lodges. He must have thought Georgia a sucker or some other easy kind of a fish. The doctor generously foregoes a salary but suggests that expense incident to his office be paid. Brother Moody replied, "Nobody axed you, Sir, she said." The German doctor's generous offer was respectfully declined.

MEMBERS VS. "INMATES."

The Masonic Home board reports thirty-seven members of the Home. It calls them "inmates." In Illinois we regard them as "members" of our Home family and get as far as possible away from the institutional idea of "inmates." This may be a good name to use of people in poor houses, insane asylums and other institutions, but in Masonry our needy ones are brothers and are invested with a title more tender and fraternal.

The per capita cost the year before was \$211.90. This year it is \$174.14, a very substantial reduction.

SENTIMENTS OF THE WAR TIME.

A scene of special interest was when "an honored confederate veteran loyal and true to his God, his country and his fellowman, in a voice full of love, requested that all confederate veterans present arise and salute their comrade, HENRY BANKS, grand master." The record then says that—

In a moment every old veteran was on his feet, and as they stood erect and at attention, as they had oft done in the sixties, with eyes sparkling with the fire of old, and saluted their comrade and grand master, moisture filled the eyes of many who looked upon this scene.

Next the sons of the confederate veterans were invited to salute and they did so with a cordial good will. Then all present who came from north of Mason and Dixon's line were permitted to salute the new grand master. There were but two of these "Yanks" present, but they joined in the season of good feeling. Nothing is said of the "Rebel Yell," of

"Dixie" or "Marching through Georgia." On the whole it was a joyous occasion and "never before in the history of the grand lodge was the true spirit of brotherly love more beautifully manifested than by this closing incident."

REVIEW OF GRAND LODGES.

The report on correspondence is by Bro. A. Q. MOODY and is an able and well written document. Three and one-half pages are devoted to Illinois proceedings of 1908. From Brother BELL's annual address he quotes the paragraph concerning attendance at Easter services. No opinion is expressed beyond merely giving it space.

MUST READ THE LAW.

In speaking of Brother BELL's reference to useless questions sent to the grand master he says that—

A certain grand master adopted a plan, which afforded great relief. He issued an order to all officers and secretaries of subordinate lodges, carefully to read the laws and to certify to him in writing that they had done so. He refused to answer any questions unless the seekers after information first assured him they had carefully searched the printed authorities, and had failed to find the information sought.

Reference is made to the reception of Bro. FAY HEMPSTEAD, of Arkansas.

The report refers to Brother BEACH's oration as an instructive address and quotes the concluding paragraph.

ROBBINS' REPORT.

Of the report on correspondence Brother MOODY says that, "Bro. JOSEPH ROBBINS makes an elaborate report of 350 pages covering the proceedings of sixty-three grand lodges. Brother ROBBINS' well known ability as a writer assures us that the work is well done." He then assures Brother ROBBINS that Grand Master JEFFRIES is not an oriental as Brother ROBBINS assumed from the picture and adds of Brother JEFFRIES that, "although a gentleman of marked ability, he is a full fledged 'Georgia cracker' and intensely popular with his brethren."

The grand master is HENRY BANKS, LaGrange; the grand secretary is W. A. WOLIHIN, Macon.

IDAHO—1909.

44 LODGES.

42ND ANNUAL.

2,741 MEMBERS.

A well printed volume of 300 pages ornamented with the genial countenance of Grand Master GEO. F. GAGON, contains the proceedings of the 42nd annual communication of the Grand lodge of Idaho held at the city of Boise.

GRAND MASTER'S REPORT.

The presence of Albert B. Moss, representative of Illinois, is noted. The address of Grand Master WM. R. HAMILTON is a brief and comprehensive presentation of the business of the grand lodge for the year. In this document the grand master seeks to put the brakes on the indiscriminate formation of new lodges. He feels that the launching of lodges in small places, where they will drag out a miserable existence, is bad policy.

MASONS AT SIGHT.

The following extract is quite worth repeating:

During the past year much has been said regarding the making of a Mason at sight of the chief executive of the nation. As grand master I offer no criticism of my contemporary of another jurisdiction. Much more learned writers than I have argued this case for and against but this I do say. While Ohio has made Masons at sight, Idaho has not been left so far in the rear. My attention has been called to a case in which only some ten days elapsed between the time of conferring the Fellow Craft Degree and becoming a Shriner. In the slang of the day this "is going some."

In this instance Idaho certainly has shown its paces and if it can not keep up with Ohio it will be a close second.

The deaths of M.W. Bro. JOSEPH ROBBINS and that of R.W. Bro. LOYAL L. MUNN are noted without comment.

PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE.

Reference is made to the meeting of the grand masters held at Philadelphia with the idea that in the end a national grand lodge is contemplated. Surely our good brother has not read very carefully between the lines, and in fact in the lines, or he would have seen that the purpose of this conference was distinctively for consultation and advice and that no such thing as a national grand lodge is even thought of much less a probability.

DECISION ON LIQUOR SELLING.

Twelve decisions were rendered, mostly local and of routine character. The seventh one of these is worthy of reproduction and here it is:

Two years ago it was held that an engineer running an engine in a brewery came under the provisions of this section, so I have held that the stock-holder is also "indirectly connected." At this point I would suggest that this grand lodge define what is meant by the word "indirectly," as I confess I have been at a loss to define it to my own satisfaction. Furthermore, I am of the impression that several brethren are amenable to this law if we accept a literal translation of it.

From this it would appear that the law of Idaho pertaining to the selling of liquor by members of the order is in a rather confused state. To hold those responsible as indicated would be stretching a law so far that it would undoubtedly snap.

The report of the grand treasurer shows the grand lodge to be in a healthy financial condition. \$8,003.59 are reported as safely housed in their strong box.

ORPHANS' HOME.

In keeping with most of the grand lodges an "orphan and indigent fund" has been provided and preliminary steps are being taken to care for the orphans and aged and dependents.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

The life membership question makes its appearance. A resolution was offered allowing lodges to provide in their by-laws for granting this doubtful favor. If our good brothers in the far west will take the experience of older lodges possibly they will learn that life membership is not the best policy. The matter should be handled carefully to prevent injury.

It was gratifying to see that the committee on jurisprudence to which this resolution was referred reported adversely,—and the grand lodge sustained the committee's report. The committee also questioned the following decision. "As to the question submitted to us, 'Is the stock-holder in a railroad selling liquor on their trains amenable to our laws?' We answer that he is not." A sensible decision.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

The report of the committee on foreign correspondence, GEO. E. KNEPPER, shows that his eight years experience has well fitted him for this task.

Illinois is quite liberally treated with four pages devoted to our doings. He compliments the volume of proceedings by saying, "two full page cuts are found. One of the beautiful Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan and the other the fine strong face of Grand Orator ELMER E. BEACH."

BROTHER BELL'S REPORT.

The following paragraph gives his estimate of the work of Grand Master BELL from whose report he quite liberally quotes:

The Grand Master starts out in his address with the idea that the grand lodge laws make it the duty of the grand master to present an address on such occasions. But in reading this address of more than thirty pages it does not appear that the duty was an irksome one. That the master had enough to do goes without saying. This Grand Jurisdiction numbers over ninety thousand adherents with 761 chartered lodges. It is the second grand lodge in this country. Of course such an institution requires the unremitting attention of the grand master who admits that "almost numberless questions" have been submitted to him that might have been answered very readily by reference to the Blue Book.

The position of Grand Master BELL in reference to issuing dispensation to lodges to attend church an Easter Sunday meets with approval.

The introduction of the Poet Laureate is given and this is added:

Brother Hempstead in his response acquitted himself creditably but he quoted but four lines of poetry where we had expected that he would talk in rhyme.

Our good brother should not be surprised at this. Brother Hempstead is a poet but he has the excellent quality of good common sense.

The grand orator, Bro. Elmer E. Beach, spoke on "International Brotherhood." It covered twelve pages of fine print but it was a scholarly production.

The report approves of the position taken by Brother ROBBINS in regard to the right of a brother who lives in Chili to affiliate with a lodge in Idaho. A resolution to recognize the grand lodge at Valle de Mexico was introduced and is quoted by the correspondent but with this assurance, "and we can say to Brother ROBBINS that it will not be adopted."

The grand master is GEORGE F. GAGON, Blackfoot, Idaho. The grand secretary, THEOPHILUS W. RANDALL, Boise.

INDIANA—1910.

536 LODGES.

89TH ANNUAL.

54,710 MEMBERS.

Though the Indiana grand lodge was held on the 24th and 25th of May a copy of the proceedings reached this reviewer on the 1st day of July, only thirty-six days after. The book being of considerable proportions shows that both the grand secretary and the printer got something of a hump on themselves. It suggests the days when Brothers MUNN and DILL vied with Brother VINCIL, of Missouri, in a race against time in the publication of the proceedings.

A CURTAIN RAISER.

As a pleasant preliminary to the annual session the acting grand master called the grand lodge together one hour before the time fixed and there was music by a fine quartet and an address of welcome by Gov. MARSHALL.

A SAD SITUATION.

At the hour specified in the law the deputy grand master, WILLIAM RIDLEY, called the grand lodge to order in its 89th annual session. From later proceedings it appeared the grand master had committed a serious offense against the laws of the United States and was in the penitentiary. He was considerate enough to present his resignation as grand master. The deputy grand master at once assumed control and served as grand master for the rest of the year in a highly satisfactory manner. It is an unusual thing to find a Mason in prison but to see a grand master behind the bars must be a most humiliating experience for the Masons of a great state. However, contrary to the slander sometimes uttered that the Masons shield each other in crime, the craft in Indiana did all they could to aid in bringing the criminal to justice. Of course he was at once dropped from the rolls and is no longer a Mason.

There was an unusual array of past grand masters present, being fifteen in number. There were twenty-one representatives of other grand lodges but Illinois was unrepresented.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS AND REPORT.

WILLIAM RIDLEY submitted his doings as acting grand master. The embarrassment of the situation was apparent all the way through the session. Most of the correspondence was done through the grand secretary. Being efficient he was able to do much that would have devolved upon the grand master.

Brother RIDLEY reports the craft in a harmonious and prosperous condition. The death of one past grand master, DANIEL NOYES, was announced. Also 784 of the brethren had gone to their rest. The death of our late Brother ROBBINS was recorded.

JUST BEGINNING.

Preliminary steps were taken toward the establishment of a masonic home. To provide a fund for this purpose it was voted to raise the annual grand lodge dues from 25 to 50 cents. One half of the sum realized from this is to go to the fund to build and maintain a home for masonic dependents. Another raise is a lively possibility before the home is open for occupants.

DECISIONS.

Only four questions coming before the acting grand master were of enough importance to be reported. The first was only of local interest. No. 2 pertained to the occupancy of masonic quarters by the Shrine. The decision was in the negative. This was based on "the general regulations prohibiting a lodge from using its lodge room or permitting the same to be used for any other purpose whatever than for legitimate masonic purposes. The Shrine being a social order whose members are selected only from Knights Templar and Scottish Rite Masons, it would not come under the requirements as covered by the above quoted section."

The committee on jurisprudence and the grand lodge approved this ruling.

In No. 3 it was decided that a lodge could not involve another lodge in debt for relief without the authority and consent of the one to be charged. The question arose where a member of one lodge became sick and helpless in the jurisdiction of another. It was held that it was the duty of the lodge to care for the sick brother until notice could be given the lodge to which he belonged and instructions sent. It is the duty of both to see that the brother does not suffer, but a lodge cannot without authority pile up a big bill of expense on another and expect the same to be paid. The decision appears to have been most sound.

INTEREST ON DEPOSITS.

The grand treasurer reports that he had arranged with the bank in which grand lodge funds were deposited to receive interest on daily balances. His report is as follows:

The item of interest, \$175.51, arises from interest paid by the bank upon the ordinary checking account. I succeeded in making arrangements with the bank by which it was to pay interest upon this current checking account, and this amount, having been received by me from

the bank, was turned over to the grand secretary and by him turned into the general fund.

A NEW SOURCE OF REVENUE.

Negotiations were concluded for the use of the grand lodge hall for religious services by the Christian Science church. The rental was \$2,100 per annum. It was reported that the room was rented for use of other organizations in giving high class entertainments. Nothing like being thrifty in the use of masonic property. Usually when a grand lodge goes into the temple business on a large scale it is forced to cut every corner to make ends meet.

A GRAND INSPECTOR.

Indiana appears to have found good use for an officer in most respects peculiar to that state. He is called grand inspector and appears to have lived up to his name. An extract from his report will show that he has the correct notion regarding the work and its purpose. Here is what he says:

I have tried not to be too exacting or unnecessarily critical in the matter of "word-perfect ritualism," but have insisted upon a reasonable conformity to the authorized work and the exclusion of all that is foreign to it, believing that "time, patience and perseverance" would eventually bring the desired perfection.

To know and be able to repeat accurately the ritual in all its details is a great and much to be desired accomplishment, but it should never be forgotten that the essential qualification of a good masonic ritualist is the ability so to render the ritual that the seeker after "masonic light" will catch the spirit and purpose of Masonry and be enabled to personally appropriate the lessons thus imparted.

The tendency to innovate the work by the introduction and invention of new and strange features, I am glad to report, has practically disappeared, and the most of our lodge officers are striving to conform strictly to the work as authorized. More than this, I can state, from personal observation, that at no period perhaps in our history were the masonic lodges of Indiana, taken as a whole, in better working condition and doing more perfect and impressive work than at the present time.

In many other ways Brother WOLFE makes important suggestions and is no doubt of much value to Masonry in his state.

A GENERAL GRAND LODGE.

Past Grand Master CHARLES N. MIKELS introduced a series of resolutions favoring a general grand lodge. He appears to have stood almost if not entirely alone. The whole plan was dismissed with scant courtesy by the committee on jurisprudence as being impractical and impossible

of accomplishment. The grand lodge favors conferences of grand lodge workers similar to those held at Philadelphia and Baltimore. This, however, is on the distinct understanding that no general grand lodge is desired or contemplated. The resolutions presented at Baltimore by Past Grand Master BELL and adopted by the conference were set forth in full by the grand master. Evidently the Indiana grand lodge was in thorough accord with Brother BELL, and the conference and out of harmony with Brother MIKELS on the establishment of a national grand lodge.

IT WAS ADOPTED.

The committee to review the proceedings of other grand lodges presented its report and on motion the same was adopted. This is an unusual proceeding. In most grand lodges the report is presented and ordered printed but not adopted. The report is for information of the doings of Masons in other states and countries.

GRAND LODGE CONVEYS.

The grand lodge by deed of conveyance turned over to the Indianapolis Masonic Temple Association all its interest in the temple at Indianapolis. The complications and problems involved in the management of these large business enterprises are rather annoying to a grand lodge, the functions of which are not in a business but in a fraternal way.

SOCIAL FEATURES NOT IGNORED.

On the first evening of the grand lodge a most delightful social gathering was assembled. The report of it is as follows:

Six o'clock being the hour set for the annual banquet, the officers, representatives and members of the grand lodge assembled in the banquet hall of the temple and greatly enjoyed a well-prepared and elaborate dinner. Past Grand Master William Geake presided as toastmaster. Splendid music was rendered by the Masonic Quartet. A number of eloquent speeches by the brethren present closed an enjoyable occasion which will be long remembered by the brethren of the grand lodge.

REVIEWERS REPORT.

Bro. DANIEL McDONALD presents the annual review of the proceedings of other grand lodges. He does not call himself a correspondent but gives the correct title as "reviewer." A most cordial approval of this title is given by this writer. This is Brother McDONALD's 12th annual review. He says that—

There are ninety-eight sovereign grand lodges—fifty-one in the United States; eight in Canada; three in the West Indies; Mexico and Central America one each; six in South America; six in Australasia; Egypt and Liberia one each; the United Kingdom three. Eight grand bodies con-

trol the German Empire, and the rest of the ninety-eight are distributed throughout Europe.

No less than eighteen grand lodges claim direct descent from the Grand Lodge of England, and of the whole ninety-eight, seventy work in the English language.

MAKING A MASON AT SIGHT.

Brother McDONALD takes serious exception to the action of the grand master of Ohio in making President TAFT a Mason in the manner in which it was done. A 40-page circular by some Cincinnati doctor signing himself "P.M., P.H.P., P.T.I.M., P.C., 33d degree" in defense stirred our good Indiana brother to use twelve good pages of space in his discussion of the much mooted question. Any one who tries to bolster himself up by all the past titles in the calendar and then adds "33d degree" needs little attention in Ancient Craft Masonry. He usually knows so little about simple Masonry that his arguments cannot bear up their own weight.

REVIEW OF ILLINOIS.

The reviewer does not use many pages in his notice of this state but he gives a good summary of the business of our 1909 session. He condenses the report of Brother BELL in one comprehensive paragraph. In an entire page of his report he speaks of Brother ROBBINS' departure. In this connection he says that—

Brother Bell announced in fitting and beautiful language the death of Past Grand Master Joseph Robbins, for many years the efficient reviewer of the printed proceedings of other grand lodges for the Grand Lodge of Illinois, which occurred at Quincy, where he had lived many years, at the age of seventy-five years. We first met Bro. Joseph Robbins and became acquainted with him in the Grand Lodge of Illinois which was held in Chicago October, 1874. He was that year elected deputy grand master and in 1876 was elected grand master. We were that year deputy grand master of Indiana and in 1875 was elected grand master. The acquaintance we formed then under these circumstances naturally ripened into a warm personal and masonic friendship, which was greatly strengthened by both of us in our grand lodges, being chairmen of the committee on foreign correspondence for the past decade or more. The news of his death came as a personal affliction to us, and we drop the emblematical sprig of evergreen over his grave, symbolizing the immortality of the soul and that imperishable part of man which survives the grave and bears the nearest affinity to the Supreme Intelligence which perades all nature and which can never, never, die. But we have the assurance of Grand Master Bell in his address that "Joseph Robbins lives. The physical form which we knew and through which alone he could reach us moulders in its parent dust, but his genial, courtly spirit has not abdicated its accustomed place in this grand lodge. He is with us now, but we being enmeshed in these earthly bodies cannot apprehend his spiritual presence." Let us hope that the beautiful theory expressed by the grand

master is true, because, as the great poet has well said, this "Life is a walking shadow, a poor player that struts and frets his weary hour upon the stage and then is seen no more. 'Tis a tale told by an idiot, full of sound and fury, signifying—*nothing*."

BROTHER COOK'S REPORT.

Of the report on correspondence the reviewer says, "Owing to the high standing of Brother ROBBINS as a laborer in the field of masonic work, Brother COOK's task was more than ordinarily strenuous." After quoting from the report he adds, "The report is an excellent one, covering an appendix to the proceedings of 330 pages."

The grand master is WM. RIDLEY, Corydon; the grand secretary is C. W. PRATHER, Indianapolis.

INDIAN TERRITORY-OKLAHOMA—1909.

367 LODGES. 36TH ANNUAL INDIAN TERRITORY. 18,558 MEMBERS.
17TH ANNUAL OKLAHOMA TERRITORY.

A rather unusual marriage was solemnized at Guthrie, Oklahoma, February 10, 1909. The high contracting parties were the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory and the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma Territory. The rites were simple and impressive. When Oklahoma became a state of the federal union the two territories were merged into one government. Thereupon the two grand lodges set about a consolidation. With absolute harmony and the utmost unanimity the union was effected. There is now one body, known as "the Grand Lodge of the State of Oklahoma, A.F. and A.M." The proceedings appear in a book of about 400 pages. Both of the territorial bodies met and concluded their business, transferred their property to the new grand lodge and were closed *sine die*. The older, larger and wealthier grand lodge of the Indian Territory convened at McAlester, Choctaw Nation, February 9, 1909, while the Oklahoma body met at Guthrie on the same day. On the completion of the business of each pursuant to previous arrangement the brethren of Indian Territory went to Guthrie where the new grand lodge was duly formed, February 10, 1909. All the grand officers were elected by unanimous vote showing the spirit of complete harmony, the strength and support of all good institutions and especially of Freemasonry.

A complete constitution and by-laws were adopted for the government of the new body. A code of rules and regulations were also accepted.

A UNIFORM CODE.

A very excellent thing was done in the promulgation of a uniform code of by-laws for the government of constituent lodges. This unifies the jurisprudence of the state and will do away with many embarrassments in the lodges.

TWO GRAND SECRETARIES.

One novel feature is found. The new grand lodge has two grand secretaries. The record of their election is as follows:

On motion it was ordered that Bro. U. C. Guss be instructed to cast the entire ballot of the grand lodge for Apostle Paul and Timothy, otherwise known as Bros. Joseph S. Murrow and Wm. M. Anderson for the office of grand secretaries, as provided in the adopted constitution, which was done, and both these brethren were declared elected.

A fine picture of Brother MURROW embellishes the proceedings with the following written under—"The father of Masonry in the state of Oklahoma, secretary of the convention of consolidation and present grand secretary."

A MASONIC HOME.

The united bodies form a strong and vigorous organization. A considerable fund has already been accumulated to erect a Masonic Home. At present temporary quarters are occupied and about forty children are under the care of the craft. It is a safe prediction that very soon, not only the orphans, but aged and indigent Master Masons, their wives and widows will be as well housed and as tenderly kept as those of the older and larger jurisdictions.

P.G.M. THORNBURG, of Arkansas, was present and assisted in the installation of officers and made "a very beautiful and appropriate address."

The jewels presented by Indian Territory to Oklahoma Territory were presented to the new grand lodge.

LEFT OUT SOME NICE ONES.

The following came from the "committee on law and usage" and singularly as it may seem was adopted:

Resolved, That Sec. 39, Art. 8, of the constitution, be construed to mean, and does mean, by "masonic purposes" any and all purposes of the following bodies, to-wit:

Blue Lodge, Royal Arch Chapter, Council of Royal and Select Masters, Commanderies, Scottish Rite, Shriner and Order of Eastern Star.

Why not include the Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias? They are quite as much masonic as most of the other bodies named.

ILLINOIS NOT IN IT.

Only one report on correspondence was presented and in this Illinois does not receive notice, presumably because its proceedings were not at hand.

In view of the unusual conditions surrounding the consolidation not much appears necessary in review of the proceedings of the constituent grand lodges.

SOME DECISIONS.

One or two things, however, may be of interest. In the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma nineteen decisions were submitted.

No. 3. "Being suspended in the chapter or commandery does not affect a brother's standing in the lodge." Sound decision. How would the removal of the roof of a house disturb its foundation?

NO HIGHER MASONRY THAN THE LODGE.

Ancient Craft Masonry as taught in the lodge knows no chapter, no commandery, no consistory. However good they may be in purpose and practice there is no official connection with, or recognition of, these bodies by the lodge. If they see fit to admit none but Master Masons into their membership and to require continued good standing in a lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons it is no concern of Masonry. Templarism is one thing while Freemasonry is quite another. Hence it is singular that it should be necessary for a grand master to announce such a decision as No. 3.

No. 12 announces "that we have no law which prohibits a man who is conducting a pool ball from taking the degrees."

VALLE DE MEXICO NOT REGULAR.

No. 18. "I held that where an applicant has taken the first degree in Old Mexico that he would have to petition for the three degrees, as the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma does not recognize the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico."

When our brethren of Oklahoma remember that the "Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico" is made up of twenty-nine lodges, fourteen of which are operating under charters issued by the Scottish Rite, the wisdom of their non-recognition becomes quite apparent. The three constituent lodges of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico were irregular and clan-

destine. One lodge of illegitimate parentage was divided up into three to make the requisite number to form a grand lodge. No one of the original lodges had a charter from any regular grand lodge. Hence Oklahoma stands with Illinois in refusing to recognize this spurious and mongrel body claiming to be masonic.

MIXING MASONRY WITH O.E.S.

The following certainly was a timely bit of advice and warning:

I received a communication from a past master saying that in several Eastern Star chapters the brethren were giving part of the middle chamber lecture, especially that of the stairs with the floor charts and using the surprising language that they left "most of the secret work out."

I report this that the brethren may all understand that the Order of the Eastern Star is no part of Masonry, and the secrets of an Eastern Star chapter and a Masonic lodge are not interchangeable in any wise; and while I feel the most friendly interest in the Order of the Eastern Star, and look upon it with much favor, yet I want the brethren to understand that it is unlawful for any of the secret work of the masonic lodge to be communicated to the Eastern Stars, or any one else not a Mason, and any brother or lodge so doing is subject to discipline.

The new grand master is M.W. Bro. HENRY L. MULDROW, of Tishomingo, who was the last grand master of Indian Territory. From his excellent picture published as a frontispiece it may be safely inferred that Masonry in Oklahoma is in competent and safe keeping.

The two grand secretaries are W. M. ANDERSON, Waurika; JOSEPH S. MURROW, Atoka.

IOWA—1910.

518 LODGES

67TH ANNUAL.

42,612 MEMBERS.

On August 26, the same mail brought to this office the proceedings of Iowa, Wisconsin and South Dakota. On looking at the dates, the writer was surprised to find that the annual meeting in each of these states began on the same day, June 14, 1910. A special interest attaches to the doings of Iowa and Wisconsin Masons. Both being contiguous, our brothers mingle in fraternal endeavor and have purposes and plans much in common.

The Iowa proceedings have a most beautiful and attractive cover page. No attempt is made to preserve the conventional "blue" so difficult to use tastefully in printing. The shadings are brown and the

effect is most artistic. Iowa boasts of possessing the "only masonic library building in the world." Naturally the cover is adorned with a fine picture of this building located at Cedar Rapids. The base counterfeited of Grand Master CLEMENTS opens the volume. It shows withal a handsome and forceful face.

The session was held at Waterloo. Prior to the opening of the meeting a parade to a theatre, with band and Templar escort, was followed by a welcome by the mayor and other entertainment.

The annual session was opened by D.W. CLEMENTS, grand master.

GRAND MASTER'S REVIEW.

The exordium with which the report was preceded was extensive and crowded full of beautiful thoughts in the garments of rhetorical splendor. Pleasing as this production is space will not permit its quotation. To make extracts would be to despoil its beauty and disfigure its symmetrical form.

DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE.

Is treated at considerable length. The gist of his view is shown in this brief paragraph:

In the admission of visitors, care and caution should be taken by every lodge so that impositors may not gain admission or the generosity of the brethren be not imposed upon. It should be kept in mind that neither documentary or oral evidence can always be depended upon, and in cases of visitation it is better to err by excluding than by admitting a person claiming to be a brother, but of whose Masonic standing there is doubt.

The grand master wisely held that a re-ballot on a rejected candidate could only be taken when a unanimous request of a lodge was made and then only in case of accident or a mistake. It is difficult to see any reason for another ballot after the brethren have voted in accordance with the law. Otherwise the vote would be a farce.

THEIR LAW.

Eight decisions were reported. Most were mere interpretations of Iowa law.

In No. 5 our old friend "life membership" comes to the front. The by-law of a lodge provided that when any member had paid dues for twenty years he should forever be exempt from further payments. Thereafter he was to be a sponge to soak up heat and enjoy privileges paid for by younger and often poorer members. Out of a membership of sixty-seven there were twenty-two who paid nothing but grand lodge

dues The other forty-five were carrying the load that ought to have been borne by sixty-seven. The righteous decision was "that the lodge must collect dues from all its members except those remitted for inability to pay."

SELFISH INDULGENCE.

The grand master puts it quite correctly when he says that—

Some of the brethren are so addicted to the smoking habit that the craving for its indulgence overcomes their sense of propriety and good judgment so far that they persist in smoking in the lodge-room, thereby debauching the atmosphere of the place where the brethren are obliged to be during the lodge session. The brother who has become such a slave to the smoking habit that he is compelled thereby to ignore propriety and good manners and to turn the lodge-room into a private smoking den, regardless of the rights of others and unmindful of the dignity and spirit of the fraternity, is indeed an object of pity.

Illinois lodges may profit by the foregoing. Sometimes members cannot endure tobacco smoke and are driven from the lodge meetings by the selfish indulgence of those who cannot or will not forego the filthy weed in the lodge room.

MASONIC CLUBS.

Grand Secretary and Grand Librarian PARVIN favors social masonic clubs In his report as librarian he says—

We believe that we in Iowa should have a number of these Masonic clubs. A few have already been started. A card given to one member should give him admittance to all other clubs and enable him to have club benefits the same as Commercial Clubs are doing throughout the country.

Some of these organizations are making arrangements whereby the brethren dine together at a certain hour and so become well acquainted and keep in closer touch with each other.

Study clubs for the purpose of arranging a course of lectures on Masonic topics and gaining information on Masonic subjects have been taken up along with this work. All of this gives additional interest to the club and in time proves it worthy of an existence.

May there not lurk a serious danger here? When a string of clubs, federated and with cards as passports are in existence what is to become of the lodge? It is a pretty good Masonic club itself. No special card is needed. When the club is exploited there will be many Masons who do not belong and possibly cannot afford to pay the added expense There will be club Masons and non-club Masons. Two classes will thus spring up. The old Masonic doctrine of keeping all members on a level has worked pretty well. Brother PARVIN needs to take another inventory of his ideas. Possibly this idea is wrong.

It was decided that 600 lists of regular lodges be purchased and each lodge furnished with one for use in receiving visitors. These authorized lists are quite generally used by grand lodges. Illinois set the pace in this direction.

Iowa has procured a P.G.M.'s jewel to cost \$60 and presentations were made during grand lodge so far as could be done. Two who were entitled were absent.

DO NOT NEED REPRESENTATIVES.

Iowa does not believe in the representative system among grand lodges. A special committee had gone over the ground and reported adversely. The report was adopted.

The report concludes as follows:

From such consideration we are forced to conclude that the office of grand representative is one of honor and sentiment and not of service. That it has existed for a long enough period to have had ample opportunity to prove its worth and that it has failed to accomplish anything of worth. That the very objects it was designed to accomplish and the service it was intended to render are accomplished and performed by others in much better position to do them. That we see no good reason why the system should be perpetuated.

After going over the arguments pro and con it must be confessed that there is little reason for the continuance of the present system. Of course it is a harmless diversion for some distinguished brother to be presented with his credentials as a representative of some other grand lodge "near" his own. It flatters his pride and does not hurt anything. The plan may be useless but it is harmless.

NOTABLES PRESENTED.

The grand commander of the Knights Templar and the grand high priest of the grand chapter R.A.M. were presented as such to the grand lodge. There is no record of the presentation of the grand chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, or the grand patriarch of the grand encampment of the Odd Fellows of Iowa. Both these distinguished fraters, being Masons, may feel slighted because their orders were not honored by being presented to the grand lodge of Masons. Iowa Masons should not be partial to the representatives of outside orders of eminent respectability.

FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Bro. LOUIS BLOCK presents a strong and readable report. He gives a statement to explain why he does not write an introduction. It is hard to explain. It was easier to write it than to explain but he

wouldn't. Of Illinois he writes lavishly, devoting ten and one-half pages to our proceedings. He likes our "neat and artistic publication of the splendid masonic history which it continues from year to year."

LOVES BROTHER BELL.

The vigorous endorsement and fine eulogy of Brother BELL, meets hearty concurrence on this side of the Mississippi. It is not possible to quote all the compliments paid our junior past grand master but here are a few:

But this volume is not only attractive in its outward appearance, but in its contents sets forth many interesting things and contains much that is great and good in Masonic history and literature. The present volume opens with a splendid portrait of the strong, rugged features of Grand Master Alexander H. Bell, one of the greatest Masons who has ever presided over this fine, strong grand lodge. When we look at the features of this man we realize that here is no weakling, no leaning willow, nor any parlor soldier, but a stalwart stoic and fearless soldier in what Albert Pike was pleased to call the "Great Controversy."

He is a doughty champion ready to maintain his convictions against all comers and on many fields, and somehow we are reminded of Emerson's sentence to the effect that the world must beware when God lets loose a thinker upon it.

If we should point out the one characteristic which this face reveals to us we should say that it was power and unadulterated courage, and again the sentence of Emerson comes to us to the effect that "God will not have his work made manifest by cowards."

If Brother BELL should ever run for president he should first take a change of venue to Iowa. The greater part of what he prints of Illinois is copied from Brother BELL's splendid annual address.

The report says that Iowa has recognized "Valle de Mexico" and so far sees no good reason to revoke this recognition. Perhaps the fact that there are now two of the same name fighting to control the same territory will suggest a reason.

THE ORATION.

The oration of Brother ROGERS was accorded high commendation. Nearly two pages are quoted and then the writer says:

We regret most exceedingly that our limited space will not permit us to publish this oration entire, as it is one of the very best Masonic orations it has ever been our privilege to read. It is a literary masterpiece which sets forth in glowing terms the religion of Masonry, and we believe that the Grand Lodge of Illinois could spend money to good advantage in having copies of this oration printed for distribution throughout the masonic world. If we could have our way this oration would be read in every lodge of the land.

Our Hawkeye brother innocently falls into error and says we recognized Egypt. It was a misprint. The question will come up at our meeting this year.

BROTHER COOK'S REPORT.

Our report on correspondence is given the high degree of praise that it merits. The reviewer says:

A fine, fat report covering 328 pages and opened by an introduction written in a style which is beauty and grace incarnate, is the work of Bro. Edward Cook, past grand master of Illinois, who bids well to prove a most worthy successor of the veteran correspondent, Bro. Joseph Robbins.

In speaking of this report Brother BLOCK says that the work of Brother ROBBINS has given Illinois "a reputation and standing in the Masonic world that can scarcely be equalled elsewhere, and in view of the fact that Brother COOK has demonstrated himself to be a worthy successor to Brother ROBBINS we are glad that his grand lodge has afforded him such ample space in which to display his fine talents."

NO HIGHER MASONRY.

It is a little disappointing to find our good brother referring to "higher" bodies than lodge and grand lodge. There is nothing in Masonry higher than these.

It is recommended that Illinois adopt the Iowa plan of mixing in the "higher(?)" bodies in order to "boost" Masonry. We are not in the "booster" business. With over 100,000 members and our grand lodge but three years older than Iowa, why should we copy after a state that has less than half our membership? Masonry has no "knock" or quarrel with the excellent institutions that see fit to build on ancient craft Masonry. This does not, however, lead to accepting them as Masonic organizations when they are not. Brother BLOCK further says:

Brother Cook says that Royal Arch Masonry is a small organization, "having about as much connection with Ancient Craft Masonry as the man in the moon has with sawing wood."

We believe, however, that the sawdust pile produced by all the various Masonic saws of Iowa singing in complete unison is just about the biggest and most perfectly rounded Masonic pile that can be found in any state.

Don't try to throw sawdust in our eyes but come over to Suckerdom and see our saw saw. By doing so you will get some of the sawdust out of your eyes.

Grand master, FREDERICK W. CRAIG, Des Moines; grand secretary, NEWTON R. PARVIN, Cedar Rapids.

IRELAND—1909.

466 LODGES

181ST ANNUAL

MEMBERSHIP NOT GIVEN

A pamphlet of about fifty-five pages gives all the information obtainable about the business and conditions of Masonry in Ireland. It seems too bad that the Masonic world is deprived of a full record of the doing of the historic old grand lodge of Ireland.

PROCEEDINGS IN UNIQUE FORM.

The form in which the information given of Masonry in Erin is certainly unique. Some grand lodges go to extremes in publishing their actions. Ireland swings the pendulum to the other side. Most meager is the showing. So rich in history and incident and achievement is this veteran body that the paucity of its report cannot be because there is nothing to publish but must be from the innate modesty of the Irish people. Instead of the detail of proceedings the chief means of communication to the rest of the Masonic world is by an address by the deputy grand master, JAMES CREED MEREDITH, delivered at the grand lodge held in Dublin on St. John's Day, December, 1909.

THE MINOR CHORD.

The address opens with a beautiful tribute to "The greatest Irishman of his day and generation" GERALD FITZGIBBON. He says that in the death of this distinguished man: "His loss has been felt by his country, his university, his church and above all, by his brethren of the Masonic order. He was eminent as jurist, as educator, as churchman and as Mason."

THE SCHOOLS FOR CHILDREN.

The receipts for the school for boys and that for girls have somewhat fallen off because of certain bequests that our Irish brethren assumed were sufficient. Brother MEREDITH urges fuller responses, showing the greater needs. The full number of boys, one hundred, may be found in their school. The number of girls is not given.

Another charity is the Jubilee Annuity Fund which shows an increasing number of annuitants. Seven brothers and forty-four widows are on the roll.

THE PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGES.

Reports from Munster, Down, Derry and Donegal, North Connaught, Meath, Wicklow and Wexford, New Zealand and South Africa are of

interest. Especially is this so of the latter. Of this the address speaks as follows:

We are justly proud in this country of our Masonic institutions, but I am not quite sure that we have not yet something to learn from our brethren in South Africa. We all remember the terrible state of things that prevailed in that part of the world after the Boer War. At that time a prominent brother under the Irish constitution, one whom I had myself the pleasure of meeting upon more than one occasion, when he visited this country in the happier days of South Africa, was called away by death. He left two young sons. At that time Irish Masonry was of course greatly disorganized, but when things began to get a little right our brethren of the Irish constitution looked around and wanted to know what had become of the sons of the brother who had died. What do you think they found? Cape Colony was not upset in the same way as other portions of South Africa were at the time of the war. Cape Colony had a masonic education fund, subscribed to by the English, by the Scotch, and by the Netherlands constitution, and when our Irish brethren went to inquire about the orphan boys of their lamented brother, they found that this education fund, governed by representatives of the other three constitutions working in South Africa, had taken charge of these boys, and was providing for their education as well as could be done. I need not tell you that the first thing the Irish Masons did was to join in with the English and Scotch and Dutch brethren in the support of that education fund in Cape Colony. I think it is very pleasing to find how truly fraternally the different constitutions are working together in that part of the world.

PRESENTS OUT OF LODGE FUNDS.

To correct an abuse that had grown up in lodges the following was adopted by the grand lodge:

In the opinion of grand lodge it is not in accordance with the spirit of Freemasonry that any portion of the funds of a subordinate lodge should be used for the purpose of making presentations to individual members of such lodge, unless such presentations take the form of Masonic jewels or insignia, or life governorship in the Masonic charities, and any violation of this resolution may be dealt with under grand lodge law 36.

This abuse had become so great that suites of furniture, or household goods of various kinds, were paid for out of lodge treasuries and presented to members of lodges. Now gifts must be limited to jewels, insignia of office or a governorship in any of the Masonic institutions. The latter is a little hazy on this side of the Atlantic.

ONLY ONE EXPULSION IN THIRTEEN YEARS.

The deputy grand master is the presiding officer of the grand lodge and Brother MEREDITH says that during the thirteen years he has filled this high position only one brother has been expelled. Either

our Irish brethren are much better than Americans or theirs is a rather lax execution of the law. The offense was returning the names of persons as initiated, passed and raised who had never been in the lodge room. This was "making Masons at sight" with a reckless abandon not to be tolerated. One brother was suspended for "a moral offense."

The discipline in this country is for immorality—and that was probably what was meant. The suspended brother went to Connecticut and was promptly put upon the carpet by the American lodge in whose jurisdiction he landed.

THE DISTINGUISHED DEAD.

Mention is made of the death of three American past grand masters who are designated as "highly distinguished literary men." They are further described as—

All men of great Masonic learning, of deep research, and all correspondents for upwards of twenty years, with our antiquarian, Bro. Chetwode Crawley, the grand treasurer. They were Bro. William M. Cunninham, in Ohio; Bro. Joseph Robbins, in Illinois; and Bro. Sereno D. Nickerson, in Massachusetts.

CHURCH SERVICES.

In Ireland lodges go to church. A brief sermon is quoted as preached by the Bishop of Down in St. Matthew's Church. It was designated as a Masonic service. Others are also included.

KNOWS THE GRAND CHAPTER.

The Grand Lodge of Ireland, Free and Accepted Masons, appears to be on quite intimate terms with the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Ireland. This is shown by the fact that the same officers preside over the two bodies. In addition a copy of the proceedings of the grand chapter is enclosed with the grand lodge doings.

STATISTICS.

The meager little book closes with lists of grand officers, representatives of foreign grand lodges and financial statistics.

The grand master is the DUKE OF ABERCORN. Deputy grand master and presiding officer, JAMES CREED MEREDITH. Grand secretary, LORD CASTLETOWN. No addresses are appended.

KANSAS—1910.

390 LODGES.

54TH ANNUAL.

33,657 MEMBERS.

Evidence of prosperity and growth is shown by a glance at the 300-page copy of proceedings of Kansas, giving details of the 54th annual meeting held at Hutchinson February 16 and 17, 1910. The printer's art is shown in the daintiness of the light blue tint of the embossed cover. Pictures of the retiring grand master and a full page of the nine appointive grand officers further adorn this attractive volume.

HE WAS THERE.

Among the first items of business was the call of the roll of representatives of other grand lodges. Responses were made by thirty-seven. Among these was that of the Illinois ambassador, P.G.M. MATTHEW M. MILLER, who is also the able correspondent of his grand lodge. The grand master then extended a cordial greeting to these distinguished brethren.

The grand master, FRED WASHBON, presented his annual address. Peace and growth are shown. A net gain of 1,585 members is reported.

HURRY UP DEGREES.

Of eighty-seven special dispensations granted fifty were to confer degrees without regard to time. This looks something like railroading men through regardless of efficiency. As an atonement for the wholesale slaughter of time the grand master wisely adds that "several applications were made for special dispensations to receive and ballot on petitions for initiation, without regard to time, all of which were declined, as the circumstances and reasons assigned did not justify, if in fact any reason can justify the curtailing of the safeguards wisely thrown around the selective process of electing members of the craft."

ONE LODGE COULD NOT WAIT.

A stinging letter of rebuke to Albert Pike Lodge No. 303 and Wichita No. 99 is given. He says:

On my return to the state, after a three weeks' absence during the month of November, application was made on your part as master, for special dispensations, to be issued as of an earlier date, to cover the act during such absence, of Albert Pike Lodge in conferring the Master Mason's degree upon six candidates without regard to time. The reason assigned for conferring these degrees was that the candidates be made Master Masons in time to petition, and receive the Scottish Rite degrees with a certain class in Wichita Consistory.

To violate the law in the absence of authority known to be necessary and to ask the grand master to date back his dispensations so as to conceal the crime is going perilously near to the limit. The grand master was very lenient in treating this case but announces some very wholesome doctrine applicable to it.

A WHOLESOME RULING.

The grand master has always entertained strong and fixed opinions as to the propriety of hustling new-made Master Masons into so-called higher, or co-ordinate, bodies of Masonry; that it is derogatory to the dignity of Symbolic Masonry to make, or attempt to make, of it a stepping stone for other so-called higher bodies of Masonry; that such co-ordinate organizations should exist only for the purpose of gathering together in a closer union those members of the Symbolic Rite who, by their zeal and ability, have qualified themselves with a knowledge of Symbolic Masonry sufficient to constitute them masonically fit for such closer union and association; and the grand master feels that to grant special dispensations, permitting candidates to become Master Masons without regard to time that they may be permitted to receive other degrees of Masonry before they know enough about Symbolic Masonry to be able to visit a lodge, would be creating a precedent that, in itself, would work irreparable injury to the craft.

The brethren who received their Master's degree under the above conditions are without blame, but the grand master feels it his duty to place the stamp of disapproval upon such proceedings, and as a guard against such occurrences in the future.

When a lodge looks upon Masonry as a stepping stone to some other body it is about time to make it feel the weight of condemnation for any action which obscures the worth and character of Ancient Craft Masonry.

A DEFAULTING GRAND TREASURER.

The grand master reports the loss of something over \$16,000 by its grand treasurer who was found dead in a hotel in Kansas City. Illinois had an experience with a defaulting grand secretary years ago. He was hunted down, prosecuted and sent to prison. Kansas was fortunate in having security in one of the few good bonding companies. No attempt was made to escape payment or evade the provisions of the contract. The treasury was made good and the grand lodge, while disgraced by the acts of its officer, suffered no financial embarrassment.

DECISIONS.

Only two decisions were reported. One of these pertained to jurisdiction and was only of local concern. The other was fundamental and is given in the language of the grand master.

The second proposition arises from the circumstances that in one of our lodges a candidate, in due form at the altar, refused to be obligated in the name of God, and demanded that he be permitted to affirm.

Held, That a man, to be made a Mason, must be obligated in exact conformity to the established ritual; that such obligation must be fortified by the belief of the candidate in Deity; that he cannot be permitted to affirm, but must take his obligations in the name of God.

THE BUZZ-SAW.

Kansas has an official cipher which is claimed by the grand master to have unified the work as brought to it from other states. After five years' trial he approves and commends its use. Illinois has no cipher and yet it excels most others in the efficiency of its work and in its exact conformity to the standard prescribed by the grand lodge.

TRYING TO MINIMIZE THE BAD RESULTS.

The grand master says that "we must use every effort to minimize the disadvantages which have been so freely prophesied and which will materialize unless the most stringent rules are made and enforced to prevent the loss of the cipher books and to assure the absolute control of grand lodge over them." A standing requirement is that a penalty of \$20 be imposed upon a lodge which fails to return the cipher charged to it unless it shows that it has been destroyed. A new rule was made that the \$20 must be paid even though it be known that the book has been destroyed.

This shows the extreme difficulty in preventing disclosures when the cipher is used. "Mouth to ear" is the only safe method. What is to hinder a brother who thinks more of having the work in his pocket than in his head from making a copy for his own use? Then, too, if somewhat unscrupulous he could sell it.

HOME EXEMPT FROM TAXATION.

The supreme court of Kansas has decided that the Masonic Home is not subject to taxation. It is also held that lodge property is taxable. The institution that cares for the helpless and needy relieves the state of a part of its burden and should not be taxed.

The Masonic Home is successfully conducted and gives excellent results. There are eighty-two persons under its care. The per capita cost of maintenance has been as follows: 1907, \$133.44; 1908, \$142.75; 1909, \$161.54. Considering the great cost of living this must be very satisfactory.

LIST OF REGULAR LODGES.

The list of regular lodges prepared by Illinois and furnished by the Pantagraph Printing & Stationery Co., is used and a copy required to be kept in every Kansas lodge.

THE ORATION.

W. Bro. CHARLES B. LOBDELL was the grand orator. His subject was "The Man and the Mason." The oration was printed with the proceedings and copies in pamphlet form sent to all the lodges.

Endorsement is given to the resolution of the Baltimore conference against an attempt to organize a national or supreme grand lodge.

SAN SALVADOR.

On recommendation of the committee on correspondence the Grand Lodge of San Salvador was recognized. That there was some misgiving in the mind of the committee is clearly shown by this clause in the report:

"If the showing made by San Salvador is vulnerable in any point it must be upon the issue presented by your committee when it states 'The Grand Lodge of San Salvador as above shown was of Scottish Rite origin and antecedents.'" Brother MILLER then hides behind the action of other grand bodies by saying that "about two-thirds of the grand lodges with whom the Grand Lodge of Kansas is in fraternal relation, have decided in favor of the recognition of bodies of such origin and antecedents." Would it not be better to stand alone, when right, than to seek the company of the wrong? Of course having recognized Valle de Mexico, one of the spurious bodies of that republic, consistency demanded that San Salvador be taken in.

On one of the "In Memoriam" pages the names of our distinguished dead, LOYAL L. MUNN and JOSEPH ROBBINS have a place.

A P.G.M. ASSOCIATION.

The proceedings show that there is a Past Grand Masters' Association. A banquet was attended by ten of the past grand masters. Addresses were given and a pleasant evening was passed. This, in some measure, corresponds to the Veteran Association, but is devoid of the society features characteristic of our meetings in Illinois.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

This is the eighth review from the able hand of P.G.M. MATTHEW M. MILLER. In this liberal space is given to Illinois. He says, "One of the most admirable addresses it has ever been our good fortune to read is

that of M.W. Grand Master ALEXANDER H. BELL, of Illinois. It gives a full and complete history of an essentially business administration."

VALLE DE MEXICO.

Brother MILLER speaks of the divided report on Valle de Mexico by saying: "Dr. ROBBINS, fighter to the last, even in a lost cause, for which trait we have always admired him, is repeating the arguments hitherto advanced by him against Mexican Masonry." The "lost cause" is not easily seen. The committee stood by Dr. ROBBINS' side 4 to 1 and the grand lodge approved the committee report by an overwhelming vote. Then Brother MILLER takes considerable space to repeat his side of the Mexican question. The writer was pleased to stand with Brother ROBBINS for Masonry "pure and undefiled" and to raise his voice for Ancient Craft Masonry which Dr. ROBBINS has so long and so ably defended.

DR. ROGERS' ORATION.

The annual oration delivered by Grand Orator Euclid B. Rogers is one worthy of a jurisdiction that first listened to Stephen A. Douglas, and later was entertained by John M. Palmer, Stephen A. Hurlburt, Ely S. Parker, Joseph Robbins, Owen Scott, Richard Yates, and Geo. C. Lorimer. We started to name a few, but the entire three score and nine are also worthy of specific mention. We would like to publish the oration, but it is long and we fear our space will not permit.

BROTHER COOK'S REPORT.

The reviewer delves liberally into Brother COOK's report. He says that:

The report on correspondence goes out this year with the emblem of sorrow in the foreground. Our eminent brother, who for so many years has led and instructed us through his charming reports, lies silent in the tomb. "We admired Brother Robbins for his splendid form, we respected him for his profound intellect, we loved him for his affectionate heart, and we mourn for his untimely death." So writes Past Grand Master Edward Cook, the new committee on correspondence, in the introductory to his report, which initiatory report indicates a worthy successor to the lamented Robbins. We extend to him the hearty welcome to which he is entitled from the quality of the work presented by him for inspection, and safely predict a like reception from the reviewers of the craft generally. The character of the report, its size, its full and complete index, all indicate that it is elaborated upon the lines heretofore followed by his able predecessor.

Brother COOK's views on the basis for recognition of grand lodges are quoted.

Brother MILLER closes his report by referring to our three distinguished brothers who have passed away. These are, Rev. Bro. HIRAM

W. THOMAS, Past Grand Secretary MUNN and P.G.M. JOSEPH ROBBINS. Of all he speaks in words of highest praise. His tribute to Brother ROBBINS is given in full:

JOSEPH ROBBINS.

Since the death of Josiah Drummond, Joseph Robbins, of Illinois, has been the dean of the corps of masonic correspondents. His mind was of such vast and imperious mould that he dominated, by the commanding force of his intellect, not only the Grand Lodge of Masons of Illinois, but certain other grand lodges as well. He waged battle with a tenacity like to that of Grant, and was never shaken from his course or purpose except by the resistless logic of events.

Permeated with the idea that anything beyond the third degree of Masonry was superfluous he was pertinacious in requiring that all argument concerning other forms of Masonry be started upon that as an axiomatic foundation. Like all good fighters, the fight ended, he was to his antagonist a kindly disposed, generous friend and lovable companion. Those with whom he has waged battle most strongly always knew that when the call to refreshment was given, and the mace and battle axe were laid aside, he was ready to taste the salt of hospitality, to break the bread of nourishment, and drink the wine of refreshment, with never a thought or harbor of ill will or resentment over the scars or scores of the past.

Among his warmest friends were those with whom he had been most actively engaged in discussion, and no one was more ready than he to accord generous praise to the latter when he thought them entitled to the same.

His reports were models of choice English diction, chaste literary production, and forcible argument, and they have done as much, or perhaps more, than the work of the other great Masons of Illinois to give the great prestige and high standing attained by that grand jurisdiction in the masonic world.

But when all else is said, above all Joseph Robbins will be admired for the heart warmth, energy and power, the soul influence that, dominating all else, bound to him with hooks of steel the affection of his brethren of Illinois, demonstrating as another has so well expressed it, "The glory of our life comes not from what we do, or what we know, but dwells forevermore in what we are."

Grand master is MARION K. BRUNDAGE, Russell; grand secretary, ALBERT K. WILSON, Topeka.

KENTUCKY—1909.

547 LODGES.

109TH ANNUAL.

33,872 MEMBERS.

Something akin to reverence was the feeling of the writer in receiving the proceedings of the 109th annual communication of the grand lodge of Kentucky. This venerable brotherhood has for many years been a city set on a hill in Freemasonry. It has ever been a leader and not a follower.

A PIONEER ON HOMES.

Kentucky is a pioneer in the great work of providing for the widows and orphans of Masons. The Masonic Home is a real "Old Kentucky Home" for many of the worthy distressed in Masonic families. The very handsome volumè giving the history of the craft in that state bears this imprint "Louisville, Ky., printed at the Masonic Home Book and Job Office." The excellence of the work from a mechanical standpoint proves that the boys and girls are taught the "art preservative" in a way that reflects credit upon the printers and those in charge. A handsome picture of a handsome man is on the leaf opposite the title page. It sets out the features of Grand Master JOHN H. COWLES.

Eighteen past grand masters were present and only seven were absent.

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

The annual address of Grand Master Virgil P. Smith is an able and interesting document, crowded full of the doings of a busy year. The death of the aged past grand master, THOMAS TODD, is given with much of his interesting history. The grand master says that—

For more than sixty years he has attended every meeting of the grand lodge. His face and form were always welcome and his appearance in any convocation was always attended with a halo of fraternal love and genial greeting. He was truly a great man and a great Mason. For sixty-five years he had been a member of Solomon's lodge at Shelbyville, Ky.

KENTUCKY LAW.

The grand master reported seventeen decisions after the statement that many questions were so well settled that it was not necessary to submit them. Most of the decisions are common-place in importance outside of their local bearing. In that state there is a law against admitting persons engaged in selling intoxicating liquors. Decision No. 5 holds that a stationary engineer in a brewery is not barred by reason

of the anti-liquor law. The grand lodge approved this decision. No. 9 is also on this same line:

A Master Mason in good standing with his lodge, but engaged in sale of liquors, applies for a demit for continuous membership and then petitions another lodge for membership by affiliation, can the lodge thus applied to receive the petition or admit him to membership?

Held, the petition cannot be received and he cannot be admitted.

Again on the same subject is—

A man employed as clerk for one engaged in the sale of intoxicating liquors petitions a lodge for membership, his petition cannot be legally received but should be rejected by the master and the lodge.

Such a "clerk" would be little less than a bartender and of course could not be admitted under their law.

In No. 7 a queer rule is announced. It is as follows:

The master or any subordinate officer of any lodge can legally be elected by the depositing or casting of one ballot, upon motion made and carried to that effect. (See Section 86, Constitution.)

MAY INSTRUCT THE SECRETARY.

In Illinois the placing of brethren in nomination for office is scantily tolerated. Few lodges indulge in this method. Under the Kentucky rule a motion to instruct the secretary or some other member to cast the vote of the lodge for some one for an office might deprive members of voting a secret ballot of their "own free will and accord." The liquor question bobs up again in No. 15:

A man was made a Mason on August 24, 1906, and in January, 1909, he engaged in the business of running a saloon for sale of intoxicating liquor. Has he committed any Masonic offense?

Held: He has, and is subject to be dealt with by the lodge.

While the constitution does not, and the regulations of the grand lodge do not, speak directly on this point, yet the very spirit of the law is that those who engage in that business, after the passage of the resolution and regulation by the grand lodge at its communication in 1907, cannot be admitted to membership, includes in its meaning those who begin to and engage in that business after the regulation became effective.

No 16 calls attention to a change in the law whereby it is not obligatory upon a lodge to confer the past master's degree upon the master prior to his installation. In this jurisdiction a past master's degree in a masonic lodge is regarded as an anomaly. In a chapter of R.A.M. it may be different.

MUST PAY FOR PAPER.

The grand master found it necessary in order to appease Uncle Sam to pay the subscription price of the Masonic Home Journal sent to every affiliated Master Mason in Kentucky. Otherwise a much higher rate of postage would have been required before the official organ of the Masonic Home could be sent through the mails.

Permission was very sensibly refused for a lodge to put a float carrying Masonic designs and emblems in a public parade.

INDIGENT MASONS ALSO.

The present Masonic Home now only admits widows and orphans. Plans are under way to erect and maintain an "Old Masons' Home." Surely if provision should be made for anyone, an aged and indigent Mason should appeal to every Mason able to pay the pittance necessary to care for him. The grand master submitted to the individual Masons through the lodges the question of an addition of 25 cents per capita for this purpose. The response was an overwhelming vote in favor of the proposition. This one want will be supplied and the "old Mason" who has fought and lost the battle of life will be tenderly cared for by his more successful brethren.

A TEMPLE A GRIEVOUS LOAD.

The Masonic temple project appears to be a losing venture in "Old Kaintuck." The building has serious difficulty in producing enough money to pay its expenses. However long and expensive litigation, now happily over, may have had something to do with the financial troubles.

Kentucky is just now getting into the band wagon on uniform work and a system of instruction. Come over to Illinois brethren, and we can show you a plan and its performance that comes extremely near to perfection. Our system of schools is of a high character and produces most excellent results.

PROUD OF THEIR HOME.

The committee on "our homes" points with pride in the following language:

Our widows' and orphans' home, as the grand master says, is truly a monument of which we are justly very proud, and furnishes to the craft of the state an inspiration to steadily persevere in the practice of every commendable virtue that nothing else could do, and as we come here from year to year and are thus annually reminded of the wonderful possibilities that are wrapped up in our wards we return to our places in the everyday walks of life with renewed resolution to be bet-

ter men and with increased enthusiasm to perform all our duty to our God, our neighbor and ourselves.

BROTHERS MUNN AND ROBBINS.

The committee on necrology notes the death of our late Bro. L. L. MUNN. Of past grand master JOSEPH ROBBINS the committee says: "Grand Master BELL issued this brief but expressive announcement." It then quotes the ideal summary that our grand master sent to the lodges when Brother ROBBINS went to his rest. Grand Master LOUIS C. MASSIE, of Florida, was present, made an address and was received with the grand honors.

CORRESPONDENCE REPORT.

The report of the committee on proceedings of other grand lodges was written by Past Grand Master WILLIAM W. CLARKE, and is an able and interesting review.

Owing to the fact that in the copy of proceedings of Illinois sent for review, pages thirty-three to forty-eight were missing, there is scant notice of Grand Master BELL's annual address.

VALLE DE MEXICO.

Referring to the appointment of the special committee on recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, the committee awaits with interest the report. It is safe to say that the report on that subject dictated by Brother ROBBINS on his death bed comes perilously near to being the final word. He left little more to be said. Of Brother ROBBINS' report the Kentucky reviewer says:

Past Grand Master Joseph Robbins presented the report on Masonic correspondence. His reports are probably the ablest now being annually written. He exhaustively reviews the proceedings of Kentucky for 1907. His words commendatory of our work are greatly appreciated.

Copious quotations from Brother ROBBINS are given.

JOHN H. COWLES is grand master, Louisville, Ky. H. B. GRANT, grand secretary, Louisville, Ky.

LOUISIANA—1910.

204 LODGES.

98TH ANNUAL.

13,014 MEMBERS.

It takes 400 pages to tell the story of Masonry in Louisiana for the year ending February, 1910. The 98th annual session was held in the Masonic Temple in New Orleans, February 14-16.

A COMING CENTENNIAL.

The near approach of the centennial of the organization of the grand lodge led to the appointment of suitable committees to arrange for a proper celebration.

The grand lodge was presided over by M.W. Bro. LEE E. THOMAS. The record shows the grand body "was opened on the third or master's degree." In the election of grand officers the junior grand warden was made grand master, while the deputy grand master was re-elected. The senior grand warden died during the year.

REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND LODGES.

The record shows seventy-three representatives of other grand lodges present. Illinois was well represented by P.G.M. CHARLES F. BUCK, who was chairman of the committee on masonic law and jurisprudence and also was made chairman of the special committee on centennial celebration. During the session the grand master called the roll of grand representatives and gave them a special greeting with the grand honors. P.G.M. GEORGE W. BOLTON responded on behalf of the diplomatic corps.

A USELESS FICTION.

On the title page of the proceedings may be found the following: "Published by the grand lodge and ordered to be read in all the lodges." Imagine a lodge starting in to read a book of 400 pages filled with driest details, facts and figures. The junior deacon and tyler would earn their money in the sweat of their faces in opening and closing the door for departing brothers when the reading began. It would be interesting to know if any lodge ever obeyed this order.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The annual address of Grand Master LEE E. THOMAS was well written and set forth in good English the doings of Masonry for the

year. A single extract will show the excellence of the entire document:

The principles and teachings of our institution should be deeply engraved on every Mason's heart. We are too prone to think that when we have completed the ceremonies of initiation, passing and raising, we have performed our whole duty. The esoteric work, my brethren, is merely the shell that encloses the kernel of truth we desire to have inculcated and written in every mason's heart. The ceremonial is merely the gauze through which the novitiate is made to see his benign heavenly Father.

AN INTERESTING LAWSUIT.

The grand master reports that a suit has been brought by a man by the name of BAYLISS for libel, fixing \$50,000 as the extent of the verbal injuries. The offense was that the grand master warned the craft against the Cerneau Rite as being clandestine. The grand lodge has been ready and urging a trial but the brother with the lacerated feelings has not been ready. It will hardly be necessary for him to arrange for increased banking facilities to accommodate the money he will collect as damages. If the Cerneau Rite is not clandestine, what is it?

THE DEATH ROLL.

Two prominent members were called from their labors on earth. One was P.G.M. EDWIN MARKS. The other was the senior grand warden, JOHN PULESTON. The committee on necrology says that he came to them from Odin, Ill. It is little singular that no mention is made by grand master, obituary or correspondence committee of the death of so world-famous a Mason as JOSEPH ROBBINS. He is nowhere referred to in any of the reports or proceedings. Though the death might have been overlooked in the proceedings, the classic sent out by Grand Master BELL announcing the death should have attracted attention in Louisiana as it did throughout the world of Masonry.

REFUSAL OF DISPENSATIONS.

Grand Master THOMAS was sound to the core in his discriminations regarding special dispensations.

He was asked to permit an Eastern Star Chapter to raise money by getting Masons to vote on the most popular worshipful master in New Orleans. The grand master being a wise man said that he did not think it "conducive to peace and harmony to provoke discussion" on such a question. The ladies might get tangled up over their choice of the most popular W.M. He refused to allow a lodge to appeal to other lodges for aid to rebuild a hall destroyed by fire without insur-

ance. He thought the precedent would be bad. A lodge was not permitted to attend church as such. It leads to sectarian differences and trouble. Grand Master BELL thought likewise.

Another request was to be permitted to solicit money from the lodges of New Orleans for a hospital supported by the state. If the State of Louisiana is not able to maintain this hospital it certainly could not ask bodies dispensing private and fraternal charity to do so. Most likely the state exacts its tribute in taxes from the property of Masons devoted to charitable purposes. The grand master declined all these requests as a sensible man would.

MANY DECISIONS.

Grand Master THOMAS was most prolific in decisions. Seventy-seven are reported. This must be the record for number. Most of these constructions of law were of a local character and of little outside interest.

As to physical qualifications of candidates many questions were raised. In seven cases the grand master construed the law as to the maimed, the halt and the blind. All the rulings were in accord with Illinois law except one and the jurisprudence committee corrected this.

In No. 2 the senior warden presided over the lodge at its stated meeting in the absence of the W.M. On the latter's return the proceedings were declared void and set aside. The grand master set aside the decision of the master and held the business of the lodge regular. In the absence of the W.M. the S.W. becomes master in that state the same as in ours.

Decision No. 21 holds that a lodge has the discretion of giving masonic burial to a brother suspended from all the rights and privileges of Masonry. He had been out of the lodge for five years. This is a queer situation. If lodge membership counts for anything it should require good standing to secure masonic rights and privileges.

In No. 50 the grand master ruled that no Mason had a right to appeal to a brother Mason to use his influence as such to get a convicted criminal pardoned, or to assist in any way in not getting him convicted. It is not our duty in any sense to protect criminals, and I believe the Mason who does so is not only disloyal to our constituted authorities, but does incalculable injury to the craft.

In decision No. 69 it is held that a brother cannot vote to grant his own dimit. Why not? Until the dimit is voted he has every right that any member has. There is no impropriety in voting to grant his own request.

MAY WORK ON SUNDAY.

The most serious variance from Illinois law is found in No. 77. The grand master decides and the grand lodge approves that a lodge may call a special meeting and confer degrees on Sunday. The grand master says, "I do not approve of Sunday meetings for masonic lodges" and thinks it contrary to the "spirit of our symbolic teachings in the second section of the F.C. degree." In the face of this he says, "I ruled that it was regular to have this done at a special meeting and also that the same could be done on Sunday." There is another reason for lodges not meeting and doing work on Sunday. It is the general sentiment among good people that Sunday should be observed as a day free from the ordinary affairs of the week. Masonic lodges cannot afford to go contrary to public sentiment and thus antagonize the great masses of church people. In Illinois the law prohibits even the laying of the corner stone of a church on Sunday. There is time enough during the week for all legitimate lodge work.

MASONIC HOME.

Louisiana has no masonic home and the grand master strongly urges that steps be taken to establish one.

He says that I am most heartily in favor of erecting a Masonic Home for the orphans left in our care. I am convinced that we can obtain a splendid donation from several cities in this state for the location of such an institution, and I do not believe there is a Mason in Louisiana so penurious that he would object to paying one dollar per year to help care for those who have been left destitute and perhaps friendless. My investigation of this question, which has been quite extensive, has conclusively shown the splendid success of such institutions in other states of the union, and Louisiana should take her place on this all important question.

A RELIEF LODGE.

So far as observed Louisiana is unique in having a regularly constituted lodge for the purpose of dispensing relief to sojourning Masons. It is known as Louisiana Lodge of Relief No. 1. Bro. JOSEPH MYERS is the worshipful master and makes an excellent report. The secretary of the lodge, Bro. JOHN A. DAVILLA gives the financial statement. It shows that \$2,226.10 were dispensed for relief during the year. There was a balance cash on hand of \$648.07. The grand lodge gave \$1,000, the Mystic Shrine \$500 and various sums from the lodges, the remainder. There are thirty-four states and countries represented in the money paid for relief. In this Illinois Masons received \$40.00.

In a cosmopolitan city like New Orleans some careful, systematic plan for relief becomes a necessity. It appears that such a lodge is a

good solution of the problem even though it be a novelty in masonic practice and usage.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

No review of the proceedings of Illinois is found because Bro. HERMAN C. DUNCAN, the correspondent, says that no copy was received. A postal card to Grand Secretary CUTTER would have brought one. The first evidently was lost in transmission. A special report was received and adopted. This recognizes the grand lodge of Oklahoma made by the consolidation of Oklahoma and Indian Territory.

Louisiana is most liberal in recognizing grand lodges everywhere. Here are a few that have met its good graces. Some of these are Brazil, Chili, Costa Rica, Guatamaka, Electric Grand Lodge, Hamburg, Three Globes, Grand Country, Grand Lodge of the Sun, Hesse-Darmstadt, Hungary. In Mexico, four grand lodges are on the Louisiana list. These are Valle de Mexico, Oaxaca, Nuevo Leon and Grand Lodge Cosmos of Chihuahua. Many others as questionable as these are in good standing with our southern sister grand lodge. After seeing this list there could be little surprise at the adoption of the following resolutions:

Be it Resolved, That this M.W. Grand Lodge of F. and A.M. of the State of Louisiana, do hereby recognize the legitimacy of Master Masons made in lodges of the A. and A. Scottish Rite in countries where that is the dominant rite, and welcome them to the right of visitation and affiliation under the usual masonic restrictions, the same as if made in lodges of our obedience; *provided*, that the body that has granted a charter to the lodge, or lodges, of such brethren has been recognized as a legitimate masonic body by this grand lodge.

MUST NOT MEET.

In order that no excuse might be had for non-attendance of representatives at the grand lodge sessions it was—

Resolved, That constituent lodges of the M.W. Grand Lodge F. and A.M. of Louisiana be and are hereby prohibited from holding any communication during the sessions of the grand lodge.

THE ORATION.

The annual oration was delivered by P.G.M. ROBERT R. REID. As most of it pertained to the esoteric work it is given in a greatly abbreviated form. So much as appears is of a most interesting character and the whole oration was, doubtless, greatly appreciated.

Grand master, JOHN S. THIBAUT, Donaldson; grand secretary, RICHARD LAMBERT, New Orleans, room 21 Masonic Temple.

MAINE—1910.

201 LODGES.

91ST ANNUAL.

28,328 MEMBERS.

The 91st annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of Maine was held at Portland, May 3-5, 1910. A well printed book of 318 pages tells the interesting story.

A letter from the Grand Lodge of Belgium told of prosperity in that lodge. The representative of Belgium presented the letter.

The grand master, EDMUND B. MALLET was in charge and delivered a well prepared

ANNUAL ADDRESS

Masonry in the "Pine Tree" state is reported in a prosperous and healthy condition. A gain of 464 in membership is shown. The grand master notes the death of a number of prominent Masons and makes suitable memorial mention.

Under the head of dispensations, it appears that out of thirty-eight issued, twenty-six were to permit lodges to attend divine services. Twenty-two of these were on St. John's day. These brethren of the far north-east do not accord with the Illinois idea that lodges should not as such attend any church. This is to avoid sectarian alliances and discords.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS.

The grand master attended the centennial meeting of Maine lodge No. 20. It was a rare occasion. An existence of 100 years for a lodge suggests the vast good to humanity that must have been wrought.

While many questions of law were asked the grand master found nothing of such new or general interest as to require report.

A FEW FACTS.

The grand secretary's report shows that the increase in membership is 464 as against 500 for the preceding year.

The death rate is 19.34 per thousand.

The average lodge membership is 139.

THE CHARITY FUND

Seems to be in a very healthy condition. The total is \$59,025.62, producing an income of \$2,403.81. There does not appear to be any form

of organized charity in Maine. The amounts paid out are to those in need and largely through the grand master and the charity board. To eighty-five applicants for aid \$1,362 were voted.

The fund is applicable to the following cases:

First, to poor and worthy members of lodges under this jurisdiction, in cases where the funds of their own lodges are not adequate to the exigency of the case.

Secondly, to poor and worthy Masons resident in this state, not members of any subordinate lodge, and being in circumstances to render such membership not a masonic duty.

Thirdly, to poor and worthy Masons being sojourners in this state.

Fourthly, to other cases of distress.

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

is written by P.G.M. ALBRO E. CHASE.

The report consists principally of extracts from grand lodge proceedings. There is the almost entire absence of comment, opinion or criticism. In view of this it leaves little to report.

In the Illinois review he quotes Brother BELL profusely in five pages. The reference to "Surety Companies" and the "liquor question" are given at length. He neither commends nor condemns.

One significant statement is "To those who wish to read both sides of the question relative to the recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico we recommend this volume." He further says that "Bro. EUCLID B. ROGERS, R.W. grand orator, delivered an able address, title, 'The World Growing Better.'"

Regarding Brother COOK's report no comment is made. He quotes from the introduction, from Canada, Kansas and Mississippi. A mere mention of the death of Brother ROBBINS and a paragraph from the report of the committee on obituaries constitute the entire reference to the passing of this great man.

Grand master, REV. ASHLEY A. SMITH, Belfast; grand secretary, STEPHEN BERRY, Portland.

MANITOBA—1910.

70 LODGES.

35TH ANNUAL.

5,151 MEMBERS.

The annual meeting was held at Winnipeg, June 8, 1910. A long list of grand and past grand officers is shown. The representative of Illinois, M.W. Bro. JOHN LESLIE, was present. Thirty-six other grand lodges were represented. These were received and welcomed with exchange of fraternal greetings. The grand master, JAMES D. BAINE, presented his annual report. It was brief and pointed.

First of all mention is made of the death of King Edward. A message of condolence was sent on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

The grand master reports that he refused a dispensation to initiate a candidate who was partially paralyzed, having lost the use of his right arm. How could he do otherwise?

The prosperity of the craft is attributed to the zeal and ability of the district deputy grand masters. There was an increase in membership of 597 during the year.

AGED AND INDIGENT.

The grand master reports that—

At nearly every meeting which I attended, interest was manifested by the members in this fund, and it is most gratifying to know that owing to the liberal contributions made this year by many of the lodges, upwards of \$20,000 is now at the credit of this fund.

With such a start a home is in easy view in the near future. Past Grand Master, HARRY H. CAMPKIN, of Saskatchewan, was fittingly received and made suitable response.

Out of forty-two dispensations issued twenty-two were "to attend divine service." These brethren of the north must be very religious.

The committee on jurisdiction had an easy time. Nothing came to them and of course they put in their time doing it. The appeals and grievance committee had but one case and there was no contest in that. Our Canadian brethren should step into JUDGE CRAWFORD'S supreme court during the session of the Illinois grand lodge and catch glimpses of a busy time.

The death of P.G.M. JOSEPH ROBBINS of Illinois is noted by the committee on fraternal dead.

No report on correspondence.

Grand master, GEO. W. BAKER, Winnipeg; grand secretary, JAMES A. OVAS, Winnipeg.

MARYLAND—1909.

34 LODGES.

123RD ANNUAL.

12,838 MEMBERS.

The handsome copy of the proceedings of Maryland for 1909 has as a frontspiece a fine picture of their new Masonic Temple in Baltimore.

THE FIRE FIEND PURSUES.

During the past seventeen years their temple has been twice destroyed by fire. Last November at the session of the grand lodge the new and beautiful third temple was dedicated with imposing ceremonies. Grand Master THOMAS J. SHRYOCK, who was unanimously re-elected for his twenty-fifth consecutive year, appears to have been most efficient in financing these important enterprizes. The dedication took place under most favorable circumstances. Thirty-one grand masters and past grand masters representing their several grand lodges were present. P. G.M. ALEXANDER H. BELL represented Illinois.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL.

Report is made of the 244th semi-annual session held in May, 1909. The session was opened by D.G.M. JAMES R. BREWER. Not much beyond ordinary routine business was done at the semi-annual session. Plans were perfected for the annual session in November, embracing the dedication of the new temple and the great conference of grand masters.

RE-DEDICATION.

At a special session of the grand lodge of Maryland held November 16, the third temple was re-dedicated by Grand Master SHRYOCK. An elaborate dedicatory ceremony was followed by able and learned addresses by P.S.G.W. EDWARD T. SCHULTZ, on "Homes of the Grand Lodge," and GEO. B. ORLADY, grand master of Pennsylvania. In concluding Grand Master ORLADY, addressing Grand Master SHRYOCK, said, "May the light which radiates from this place pervade your social and fraternal life to merit the favor, protection and benediction of the grand master above, for all the days of this life and the ages of eternity, and for your twenty-five times grand master Pennsylvania Masons hope and pray that you will get late into heaven."

"May Shryock live till time itself shall end, and may we live his funeral to attend."

A BRONZE TABLET.

J. HENRY WILLIAMS, J.G.W. of Pennsylvania, then presented a bronze tablet bearing a representation of the Masonic Temple in Philadelphia with fac similes of the seals of the two states of Maryland and Pennsylvania as a memento of the fraternal regards of the masons of the latter state to those of the former.

THE 123RD ANNUAL.

The Maryland grand lodge was opened in due form by the deputy grand master. Advantage was taken of the absence of the grand master to appoint a committee to procure a testimonial commemorating the 25th anniversary of Grand Master SHRYOCK's election as grand master for invaluable service to the craft especially in re-construction of the new temple.

RECEPTION OF THE GRAND MASTER.

After the preliminaries, an escort retired to the apartments of the grand master and presented that distinguished official. "His entrance was proclaimed by the grand marshal, the grand honors were given and the M.W. grand master took the gavel and assumed the duties of the grand east." This was a good deal of ceremony in getting the presiding officer to preside but if he liked it and the grand lodge enjoyed it no one else can complain.

AN HONORARY PAST GRAND MASTER.

At the suggestion of Grand Master SHRYOCK Grand Master ORLADY, of Pennsylvania, was made an honorary past grand master of Maryland. This is the only case of this kind in America but it is quite common in Europe where they think more of mere titles than we do in this country. The grand masters and others representing grand lodges to the number of thirty-five were then admitted and welcomed with the grand honors.

LIMITS REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

A standing resolution was adopted limiting the report of the committee on foreign correspondence to 125 pages and providing "an allowance of \$100 to Bro. E. T. SCHULTZ for the services of an amanuensis." It is a fit place to note that no review of the proceedings of other grand lodges is found in this volume.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The grand master departed from his usual custom and made an extensive address in writing. He explained that he preferred to speak to

them "verbally rather than encumber the records with a recitation of unimportant occurrences which were of no interest to the craft outside of our jurisdiction." In most grand lodges the grand master's annual address is the most vital part of the business of the session. In this the business of the year comes in for review and approval or disapproval. The report goes to the various committees and on their reports definite action is taken by the grand lodge. Of course where a state is so fortunate as to have a permanent grand master such a course may not be needed. It is demonstrated that Brother SHRYOCK can prepare and present a report that is of much "interest to the craft outside of our jurisdiction."

DOES NOT REPORT DECISIONS.

To show how superior the Masons of Maryland are the grand master says:

I have at times been amused, when reading the committee reports on correspondence of many of our sister grand lodges, in reviewing our grand lodge proceedings, to learn that they were surprised that the grand master of Maryland did not report his masonic decisions. Little did they know that the knowledge and intelligence of masters of Maryland lodges were so thorough as to make it unnecessary to call upon the grand master for repeated decisions on the simple points of Masonic law. I have never had the opportunity heretofore of telling them that the reason the decisions of the grand master of Maryland were not reported was because he was not called upon to make any, and it gives me pleasure to have this opportunity to enlighten them.

This truly does explain but it does not make good the loss to other jurisdictions in not being able to compare their laws with the code of Maryland.

HOW TO MAKE MASONS AT SIGHT.

Much interest is felt over this subject. Making President TAFT a Mason at sight by Ohio has created considerable discussion. How it is done in Maryland is shown by the following from Brother SHRYOCK's address:

I notice also that some of the distinguished writers have asked the question, how the grand master of Maryland makes a Mason at sight. I take this opportunity to say, that in the few instances that he has exercised that prerogative, which he claims and which his grand lodge has always sanctioned, that he has made them in due and ancient form, as any other Mason is made in a constituent lodge, the only difference being, that by virtue of his office he convenes an occasional lodge, over which he personally presides and personally confers the degrees. All of his predecessors in office have claimed, if not exercised, this prerogative. It is one of the customs of the fraternity, as handed down to us by our forefathers, and, as our grand lodge claims to be one of the most conservative in the world, I am quite sure it will never alter its opinion of the power of its grand master.

If quarter-century Grand Master SHRYOCK should die and a new man of necessity found, there is danger that he might not be so "safe and sane" as his predecessor.

ENDORSES BROTHER BELL.

The position of Grand Master BELL as to a general grand lodge is quoted in full and given hearty approval. He then assures his grand lodge that the conference of grand masters to follow has no such aim in view as the formation of a national grand lodge.

A TRYING ORDEAL.

The staying and recuperative powers of the members of the grand lodge of Maryland are of the best quality. Each of the thirty odd visiting grand masters was turned loose in oratorical flights one after the other. Yet no record is made of serious consequences. Grand Master BELL did what no Illinoisan believed it possible for him to do. He made a two-minute speech. Among the good things he said in this brief time may be found the following:

One would imagine from what has transpired in this temple today that the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and the Grand Lodge of Maryland constitute about all there is of it. I am happy to say to you that you have now arrived at a point in your experience when you will learn otherwise.

I was born in the great state of Illinois, and I am proud of it. I have lived in the state of Illinois all my life, and I have no doubt that at last when I sink to rest, I shall find my home in her soil, and yet every drop of blood in my veins is from this old commonwealth of Maryland. Both my mother and my father were born and reared at Cambridge on the eastern shore. They became infatuated with each other, which seems to be a family trait of ours, and they came across to this monumental city of Baltimore and were married, went to Illinois and you see what has happened.

When that great domain, called the Northwest Territory, comprising all the territory west of the mountains, north of the Ohio river and east of the Mississippi, that great stretch of territory out of which afterwards was carved five sovereign states, first and greatest of all, of course, being Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan and Wisconsin, the first lodge of Masons that was planted in that great territory was at the ancient city of Kaskaskia, in the state of Illinois, which was warranted by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. So when the grand master of Maryland and the grand master of Pennsylvania throw their arms about each other, I want to get into that hugging match myself. I belong right there. Masonry was planted in Illinois by Pennsylvania, and I am personally from Maryland.

CIPHER RITUALS.

The special report of the committee on correspondence takes strong ground against the use of keys or cipher rituals. This report is based

on the letter of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee to other grand lodges. This letter is about the last word needed on this important question. Maryland heartily approves the sound position of Tennessee. Action focused upon the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, by the Grand Lodge of Maryland, That the publication of any part of *esoteric* Masonry in ciphers or mnemonics, is regarded as gross and shameful departure from Masonic propriety, and a dishonorable violation of our obligations as Masons, and we do hereby utter the condemnation of this grand lodge against such acts.

Illinois long since seconded the motion most cordially.

FORTY YEARS GRAND SECRETARY.

Not only has the grand master had a long term of service but WILLIAM M. ISAAC, grand secretary, has served for four decades. When he came to be installed, Grand Master SHRYOCK vacated the east and personally invested Brother ISAAC with the jewel of his office. The grand master then conducted the grand secretary to his place amidst the plaudits of the brethren.

CORRESPONDENCE REPORT.

The review of grand lodges is presented by EDWARD T. SCHULTZ. It is his 23rd report and the ear-marks of experience and capability are abundant in this work. The review of Illinois is for 1908 and four pages are used. These are largely filled with copious quotations from documents before our grand body.

Of Bro. GIL BARNARD the writer says, "We had the pleasure of knowing Brother BARNARD, having met him on a number of occasions."

THINK THEY CAN DO AS THEY PLEASE.

Brother SCHULTZ is not in accord with Grand Master BELL in his position that a lodge cannot donate money out of its treasury to help build a shoe factory or to repair or build a church. He holds, "that a lodge may do whatever it pleases with its funds and that the grand lodge has no right to interfere unless it should be given for immoral or unlawful purposes."

This is a strange doctrine. A masonic lodge collects money for purposes of benevolence and charity only. It should have no commercial or sectarian affiliations. When it helps to boom a town by contributing its funds to establish a factory, or to maintain a church, it takes money paid for the express and only purpose of sustaining Masonry and caring for the needy brother and his dependents. When appeals for aid come, the lodge treasury, depleted by contributions to outside and foreign objects may not be able to respond.

He approves Brother ROBBINS' view that a lodge has a perfect right to instruct its representatives to grand lodge.

REPORT OF INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE.

In Maryland the committee to investigate the standing of petitioners for the degrees report orally in open lodge. In Illinois the members of the committee individually make private report to the master. The plan used in Maryland is open to serious objection. The publicity of the nature of the report by members of the committee would deter timid men from giving an adverse report for fear of offending friends of the petitioner. By the Illinois plan each is free in making the true condition of the candidate known to the members of the lodge to aid them in voting to elect or reject.

Full quotations are made from the report of Brother ROBBINS and with hearty approval.

Grand master, THOMAS J. SHRYOCK, Baltimore; grand secretary, WILLIAM M. ISAAC, Baltimore.

MASSACHUSETTS—1909.

241 LODGES.

176TH ANNUAL.

56,198 MEMBERS.

The proceedings of the "Old Bay State" show an unusual profligacy of meetings. Four quarterly communications were held, one in each of the months of March, June, September and December, the latter being the annual. One "stated" is held each year on St. John's Day in December. The only business at this time is the installation of grand officers and the celebration of the anniversary of St. John the Evangelist. This Christian patron of Freemasonry has been duly celebrated by Massachusetts for 176 years. In addition to these there were specials galore to lay corner-stones, dedicate halls, etc.

A GRAND OLD MAN GONE.

The book opens with a most suggestive picture of that distinguished masonic historian and antiquarian, SERENO D. NICKERSON, at his desk, pen in hand, as he appeared when at his labors for the craft. At the meeting in September Brother NICKERSON was present and rendered his last public service to his grand lodge to which for so many years he had given so much of labor and thought. His special appearance was in

connection with the claim of Pennsylvania for priority of chartered existence over Massachusetts. Though in feeble health and under weight of over four score years he assailed the claims of Pennsylvania with all the vigor of youth. A little of the spirit of the controversy may be seen by the following extract from Brother NICKERSON'S remarks:

On the strength of this new "wonderful find" our brethren of Pennsylvania have set back the beginning of Masonry there to 1727, beyond Daniel Coxe, Henry Bell, Benjamin Franklin, or any other authority. For forty years we have been chasing the grand lodge of that state in the hope to find out when that wonderful "mother," which never had a child, was born. She has now got back into the wilderness, the next move will have to be to the time of the Angel Gabriel. At present we are as much bewildered as the Irishman who put his finger on the flea and found it was not there.

When the grand lodge met three months later the grand master reported that this aged and beloved brother had gone to his reward. A memorial covering seventeen pages of the printed proceedings shows in some measure the love and esteem of his brethren.

THE MASONIC HOME.

Running through all the business meetings of the year the establishment of a masonic home has a prominent place. In the March quarterly the committee reports having purchased 397 acres of land in the town of Charlton, known as "Overlook." The purchase price was \$50,000. At the December meeting the amount reported for the Masonic Home was \$131,793.51. Of this \$91,186.50 was in cash and the remainder in good pledges. From this it will be seen that few obstacles remain in the way of a rapid completion of a home for the indigent and helpless in this old jurisdiction. While they have been jealously guarding their claim to priority of origin other and much younger states have been setting them an excellent example in caring for the needy brother and his dependents. Massachusetts may be a little slow and conservative but she is sure and solid.

A FAR-REACHING DECISION.

A suit in the civil courts of Massachusetts involved a most important question. The point at issue was whether or not money left to the grand lodge to establish and maintain a home for indigent and needy masons was subject to taxation. For two years the amount levied was paid under protest. A suit was brought by the grand lodge to recover the amount thus paid in taxes. The case was tried in the Superior Court and a decision was rendered in favor of the grand lodge. It then went to the Supreme Court of the state and the decision of the lower court was affirmed. The report says:

It is believed that this decision rendered by the full bench of the supreme court will be of far reaching effect in the masonic world, and it is hoped that it may be the opening or entering wedge for the legal determination in Massachusetts that the masonic order is a charitable or benevolent institution within the eye of the law.

The courts of law are properly recognizing that whatever other objects our fraternity may have, "one leading one is that of charity, supporting the poor and indigent members, their widows, and orphans," and that we are therefore essentially a charitable and benevolent institution, and entitled to all the rights and privileges of such.

This appears to be a most reasonable conclusion. If fraternal societies provide for dependent men and women and children who would otherwise be charges on the public they ought not to be required to pay taxes to support the other departments of government. Where ample means are provided for the relief of suffering and want the state and county authorities ought to be willing to exempt the property from taxation.

THEY ARE MOST WORSHIPFUL NOW.

An amendment was adopted to change the title of past grand masters from right worshipful to most worshipful. Under the law as it was the grand master was a most worshipful but as soon as he had completed his term and taken his place as a "has been" he became only a right worshipful. Now once a Most always a Most. In Pennsylvania the grand master is never given the title of most worshipful but as grand master and as past grand master he is merely a right worshipful. Most states give the full title to both present and past grand masters.

COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

To show the extreme conservativeness of these New England Masons it may be said that it took two or three sessions of the grand lodge to pass an amendment to provide for a committee on jurisprudence. Illinois has had one so long and found the same so useful that it would not be easy to do without it. Usually our past grand masters compose this committee because by their service, as the officers charged with the construction of the law, they are peculiarly fitted to act as a sieve through which new measures and the construction of laws should go.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.

Massachusetts has three lodges in China holding its charters. One of these is Ancient Landmark Lodge of Shanghai. At the meeting held in September W. Bro. CHARLES F. GAMMON, master of this lodge, was present and spoke of the loyalty of the Chinese lodges to their

mother grand lodge. Judging from the name, the claim that this master of a lodge in the far east is a Chinaman is all gammon. Massachusetts also has three lodges in Chile under her obedience.

Attention was called to the presence of W. Bro. NOEL B. CHAMBERLAIN of Niagara Falls lodge in New York. He is the great grandson of HENRY PRICE, the founder of duly constituted Masonry in America.

GRAND MASTER'S ANNUAL ADDRESS.

M.W. DANA J. FLANDERS presented a comprehensive report of the work of the grand lodge for the year.

He notes the death of two past grand masters. The first was the senior P.G.M. Bro. SERENO D. NICKERSON previously referred to in this report. The other was Brother BAALIS SANFORD.

Under the heading "Visitations of the Grand Master" a complete list of all visits made during the year is given. That he was a busy man may be inferred by the space it takes to record them. Nine pages are required to tell the story and each visit receives but brief mention.

The grand master reports the results of the Philadelphia and Baltimore conferences and enters heartily into the spirit of these great gatherings of distinguished and representative Masons of America. He says that the changes set forth to secure uniformity in procedure are almost all in line with the laws of his state. Few amendments needed.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE.

Grand Master FLANDERS regarding the issue of dispensations says that "A very large majority of requests have been granted, many of them for appearance in public to attend divine services." Our good brother should consider what might take place if the brethren should differ as to the particular phase of religious thought should be patronized. If it should be decided to have the lodge attend a Christian church the Jewish members might feel embarrassed in either going or remaining away. Then, too, differences among Christian denominations might easily lead to sectarian strife. It is well to let people choose their own times and places to attend church services. Masonic lodges cannot with safety enter this field. The position of Past Grand Master BELL is invulnerable on this fundamental question. Request for recognition from our old friend Valle de Mexico is reported. The grand master appointed a committee to consider and report at a later meeting.

EXPENSES OF DISTRICT DEPUTIES.

In Massachusetts the district deputy grand masters are appointed and expected to perform some service. A considerable sum is set apart to defray their expenses. The report of the grand treasurer shows that \$812.28 were expended by the deputies. In Illinois these useful agents of the grand master have not been able to do much because they had no fund upon which to draw for necessary expenses.

The grand lodge owns valuable property in the City of Boston. Taxes of over \$21,000 were paid for each of the years of 1908 and 1909. The assessed value of the temple is given at \$1,292,000 for 1909. If assessed at only one third its cash value, as in Illinois, they have laid away a pretty nice sum for future use.

ELECTION OF GRAND OFFICERS.

The quarterly held in December is the annual meeting at which the election of grand officers is held. Considerable ceremony attends this important function. Grand Master FLANDERS evidently had a hint that lightning might strike twice in the same place. He therefore called the deputy grand master to the chair and cautiously retired. The ballot served to confirm his suspicions as he was unanimously re-elected. Not being in the room, the acting grand master appointed a committee to wait upon the brother and escort him into the grand lodge. This was done with all attention to the proprieties of the occasion. Other grand officers were speedily elected and the routine went on.

On St. Johns day, December 28, officers were installed and an elaborate celebration took place. The banquet brought out many fine responses to toasts. It is not possible with the space at command to attempt to fathom this mine of richest treasures.

SOME DIFFERENCES AND PECULIARITIES.

Massachusetts has its own way of doing things. It claims to be the first grand lodge of masons organized on the American continent. Except for the contention of Pennsylvania, this claim is not disputed. In view of its age and eminent respectability it must be permitted to be what it chooses to the point of eccentricity. Here are a few particulars in which they differ from most other grand lodges:

1. They do not exchange representatives with sister grand jurisdictions. No one is "near" them and they have no one "near" any other grand lodge. From the almost dutyless conditions of the present representative system it may be seen that they do not lose much by not being represented at court.

2. Lodges in Massachusetts do not bear numbers. They merely have names. There is no way to determine the age of a lodge without consulting the records.

3. There is no review made of the proceedings of the grand lodges of the world. The great movements of masonic thought are a sealed book to the masses of masons in that state. Only the few can know anything of what is going on in other states and countries. Of course no committee on correspondence is provided. None is needed.

4. No stated oration is provided for and none is presented. Masonry is so much of a study that it appears to most grand lodges that some learned and well informed brother should be designated to present to the craft once each year the results of his researches in the great storehouse of masonic truth.

5. No report of the construction of law appears in the address of the grand master.

From these considerations it is not difficult to convict our Massachusetts brethren of keeping many of the excellences of their work from others. It looks a bit selfish but they have a perfect right to be as exclusive as their consciences will permit.

The grand master is DANA J. FLANDERS, Malden; the grand secretary is THOMAS W. DAVIS, Masonic Temple, Boston.

MICHIGAN—1910.

416 LODGES.

66TH ANNUAL.

63,022 MEMBERS.

The book of proceedings of the 66th annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Michigan, held at Saginaw, May 24, 1910, opens with a veritable picture gallery. The strong and handsome face of Grand Master SWIFT adorns a full page. On the opposite side is a group of eleven grand officers artistically arranged. Then follows a brief biography of the present grand master. Mayor GEO. W. SPENCER gave a cordial welcome to which the grand master fittingly responded.

ROLL OF HONOR.

At the beginning is printed a list of forty past grand masters who have passed away. The dates of service and death are given. No addition was made during the year just passed. The name of LEWIS CASS,

well known as a public man of a past generation, heads the list. He was grand master from 1826 to 1829, inclusive, and died in 1866.

There were present thirteen past grand masters, all but five of those living. Among the forty-three representatives of other grand lodges appears the name of ARTHUR M. HUME, the presiding grand master, who furnished the fraternal link between Illinois and Michigan. Special honors were accorded two venerable brothers, WM. T. MITCHELL and ABRAHAM T. METCALF, the two oldest living past grand masters.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

M.W. Bro. ARTHUR M. HUME then delivered a practical and sensible address giving report of his doings for the past year. The death of M.W. Bro. JOSEPH ROBBINS was noted.

BROTHER BELL, ABROAD.

The following paragraph will show that Brother BELL cannot hide his goings and comings from his home brethren. The grand master says that:

On August 17, Crystal, Weldon and Honor lodges met in schools of instruction at Frankfort, where we were regaled by an after-meeting fish supper. We were also honored by the presence of Past Grand Master Herbert Montague, and Most Worshipful Master Alexander H. Bell, of Illinois. These illustrious brethren were my guests at our Crystal Lake cottage, and together we visited the lodges at Frankfort. All present will, I think, long remember the strong, forceful and eloquent remarks made by the grand master of Illinois, a man of strong character, and a prince among Masons.

The grand master, for obvious reasons, fails to mention the famous hand-car ride to which he treated Brother BELL while he had him in Michigan.

REVISION OF LAWS.

Owing to the fact that so many decisions and amendments had been made in past years the regulations had become obscure, ambiguous and conflicting. To correct this a committee was named to revise and report. At this session the committee made a comprehensive report bringing their "blue book" up to date.

THE PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE.

The grand master found that the eleven recommendations agreed upon by the grand masters at Philadelphia were in accord with Michigan law except in two points. Both exceptions were approved and embodied in the revision made. Brother HUME thinks these meetings of representatives of grand lodges very important and says:

I feel, however, that the work begun in this informal way should be carried along to completion by a more definitely organized body. This

may be called a masonic congress, or whatsoever you will, but it should be a permanent organization, composed of regularly elected or appointed representatives from each grand jurisdiction, meeting annually, biennially or triennially, as may seem best. This congress should have, collectively, authority to deliberate and to recommend unanimously, to all grand jurisdictions participating, such measures as may seem wise and beneficial to the craft, always maintaining the individuality of each jurisdiction, and the sovereign rights of its constituent lodges.

He also attended the Baltimore conference and suggests that a permanent representative be designated but no national grand lodge need apply.

THE MASONIC HOME.

In February, 1910, the Masonic Home was totally destroyed by fire. Fortunately all of the sixty aged and infirm members of the Home were saved, there being no casualties or fatalities. Temporary quarters were obtained and they are now provided for at other places. The grand lodge voted to re-build, and named a committee to carry on the work.

Grand Master HUME would widen the scope of this work. Now only the indigent are eligible. He would make a home for every homeless Mason, whether helpless and indigent, or otherwise. This is a new problem and a much larger one than is usually involved in a masonic home.

A WORKING GRAND LECTURER.

Michigan has a grand lecturer who gives his entire time and energies to the work of the craft in the state. For this he was paid last year the following sums: Salary, \$1,200; mileage and per diem, \$1,328.90; stationery and postage, \$36.22; total, \$2,565.12. The report of the lecturer looks as though he had earned his salary. In his report he advised that the evil practice of furnishing the work in cipher be extended. Two more such books were authorized. There was an adverse report from a committee but the grand lodge turned the committee down and authorized the books.

LIFE MEMBERS.

The grand secretary reported that the number of life members had grown from 636 on January 1, 1909, to 1,004, January 1, 1910, or almost double. If Michigan lodges have the same experience that Illinois had, early steps will be taken to destroy an evil that gathers force rapidly and grows vigorously.

RECOGNIZES ALPINA.

The committee on correspondence in a special report recommends recognition of the Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina. Few grand lodges have felt that this grand body was free from the influence of the Grand Orient

of France from which God and the bible have been excluded. Others, like Pennsylvania, refuse because information as to origin and statutes is unsatisfactory. Our Michigan brother makes the statement, "The Grand Orient of France is not atheistic." The last three words are emphasized by him by putting them in italics. This is directly contrary to information secured by Illinois and many other grand lodges. The grand lodge voted to adopt the report which carried with it recognition of Alpina.

MASONIC MEMORIAL DAY.

The following was presented and referred to the committee on jurisprudence:

Resolved, That the Sunday on or before St. John's Day, in June, each year, be designated as Masonic Memorial Day, and that the most worshipful grand master of this grand lodge request every subordinate lodge within this jurisdiction to observe said day with appropriate and fitting ceremonies.

The committee reported adversely but the grand lodge "adversed" the committee. By this action the Michiganders will set aside the Sunday on or before St. John's day in June as a time for memorials to the fraternal dead.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

Bro. LOU B. WINSOR presents his seventh review of the proceedings of grand lodges with which Michigan is in fraternal concord. In explanation of the barrenness of the report, Brother WINSOR quotes the following by-law:

The committee shall refrain from criticism of such proceedings, as well as promulgating the opinion of the committee upon decisions, laws and regulations of this or any other grand lodge.

Under this law of emasculation the correspondent is left with nothing to do but present colorless extracts from the doings of other grand lodges. His report has about as much snap to it as a plate of soup without salt or pepper. This is due to the limitation placed on the reviewer by the grand lodge.

GOOD TO ILLINOIS.

Twenty-five pages are given to Illinois. Most of this space is filled with clippings from various reports.

He notes the presence of Bro. J. E. DYAS, Michigan's representative near the Grand Lodge of Illinois. He quotes from Brother BELL's report all he said regarding "corner-stones," Philadelphia conference, with agreed points concerning the laws of various states and his view regarding the building of masonic temple for a home for the grand lodge.

These three extracts from our grand master's address fill eight closely printed pages.

VALLE DE MEXICO.

Brother WINSOR copies the report of the committee on Valle de Mexico in its entirety. He, also, gives in full the views of Brother MOULTON in opposition. His comment on the same was, "After full discussion the majority report was adopted by the grand lodge."

THE ORATION.

Of the annual oration the reviewer says:

Bro. Euclid B. Rogers, the grand orator, delivered the annual oration, the subject of which was, "The World Growing Better." The oration is published in full in the proceedings, and were it not that we have already used up so much space in the review of these proceedings, we should be glad to quote liberally therefrom.

EGYPT NOT RECOGNIZED.

The mistake is made in announcing the recognition of Egypt by the Grand Lodge of Illinois. The reviewer was misled by the error made in our printed proceedings for 1909. Egypt was not recognized but the resolution was sent to the committee on correspondence for report this year.

BROTHER COOK'S REPORT.

In his reference to Brother COOK's report Brother WINSOR flies in the face of the law of his grand lodge by expressing three opinions, somewhat guarded of course. He says—

Past Grand Master Edward Cook submits the report on masonic correspondence as the successor (and we are fully convinced a worthy one) of the late veteran correspondent, Past Grand Master Joseph Robbins. He precedes his report with a fine portrait of his predecessor and pays an eloquent tribute to his memory.

Opinion No. 1—Brother Cook is "a worthy one."

Opinion No. 2—He expresses the opinion that the picture of Brother ROBBINS is a "fine portrait."

Opinion No. 3—Brother COOK "pays an eloquent tribute."

Two pages from Brother COOK's introduction are then inserted.

CAN'T TALK BACK.

The report closes with this paragraph:

Brother Cook's review of Michigan is for 1909. He quotes liberally from the address of Grand Master Montague and is evidently stirred to the very inmost depths of his soul by the picture of the corner-stone laying

at Grand Rapids, and Grand Master Montague's report thereon, which he inserts in full, as also his report of his trip to Cincinnati, upon the occasion of the conferring of the degrees upon William H. Taft. How we would enjoy talking back to you, Brother Cook, but alas, the regulations of the Grand Lodge of Michigan relative to the scope of work to be performed by the correspondent prevents him from doing so.

It is a vain regret Brother WINSOR indulges. He cant "talk back" until the law is changed. It is not possible to review the proceedings of a grand lodge without some comments, comparisons and a few opinions.

The grand master is G. ROSCOE SWIFT, Adrian; the grand secretary is LOU B. WINSOR, Reed City.

MINNESOTA—1910.

251 LODGES.

56TH ANNUAL.

24,944 MEMBERS.

A neatly printed book of 364 pages gives the masonic history of Minnesota as recorded in its 56th annual meeting held at St. Paul January 19 and 20, 1910.

A USELESS COMMAND.

"Ordered to be read in all the lodges" appears on the title page. The grand secretary says that not half of the lodges pay any attention to this regulation. It is an easy guess that not five lodges in all the state comply with this requirement. If it were known that a volume of 364 pages would be inflicted at any meeting it would be impossible to get and keep a quorum. The purpose of printing the proceedings is to furnish an enduring record of the business of a grand lodge for reference when it is needed. It appears a foolish thing to command that to be done which is impossible as well as wholly unnecessary.

NICE AND POLITE.

Very evidently the Grand Chapter R.A.M., Grand Council R. & S.M. and the Grand Commandery K.T. are on most cordial terms with the Grand Lodge of Minnesota. The names of the officers of these other bodies with dates of installation are printed following the roster of the grand lodge.

HONORS TO REPRESENTATIVES.

Bro. A. T. STEBBINS, representative of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, was noted as present together with thirty-three others who stood for various grand lodges. The record shows that "The grand master called

up the grand representatives of foreign jurisdictions, greeted them with the grand honors, and requested each to convey to the grand lodge which he represented the fraternal greetings of this grand lodge."

GRAND MASTER'S ANNUAL ADDRESS.

For a strictly business production, devoid of any attempt at rhetorical flourishes and "well rounded periods," the grand master's annual address is a model. With a few lines regarding "peaceful relations, a bountiful harvest and the prosperity of our beloved order," he plunges at once into the dry details of new lodges constituted and other kindred topics. It must be confessed that there is ground for satisfaction in such a report after some of the "efforts" at the high sounding phrases and dull moralizing sometimes found.

LIMITATION IN DEGREES CONFERRED.

Minnesota law limits the number of degrees to be conferred at one meeting to five. Illinois makes it seven. The grand master granted four dispensations setting aside this provision, mostly on the ground that some candidates were from outside lodges. In two cases he refused to permit this number of degrees to be exceeded. Grand Master SWAN did not hesitate to refuse dispensations when the petitions gave no good reason. Some of his refusals were to receive and ballot on petitions at the same communication. In one case to hold a special election of officers in advance of stated time; twice to hold two communications on the same day, and two to appear in public in regalia and participate in parade on Memorial Day. These all appear to be in the exercise of a wise discretion.

DECISIONS.

Only five questions and answers are reported. In one case physical qualifications are involved. It is as follows:

Question: A petition was presented, took the usual course, the petitioner was elected and we now find him to be physically disqualified. Have we any right to admit him?

Answer: No; you should make the proceedings void, noting same on the record, and return the fee. The brother giving out the petition, the brethren recommending the candidate and the investigating committee were all derelict in their duty. They should have ascertained whether or not the candidate was eligible.

Sound to the core. There is too much carelessness in the anxiety to get members. Other questions answered were so local in character as to be of little interest outside.

The grand master notes that none on the list of grand officers has met the death angel during the year. The loss of our Bro. JOSEPH ROBBINS is noted without comment.

THE ORATION

By ROBERT E. DENFIELD is an able and forceful production. It is a mine of good things, in choice language and well worth reading. Space only permits two brief extracts. Here is one:

An eloquent expounder of our rights, symbols and ceremonies once said that our most intelligent and active young brethren, not having their attention drawn to the subject, overlooked its history and the extent of its influence and, naturally, come to regard the institution in much the same light that they do the ordinary associations of the day; that this attitude of mind consequently leads to indifference. Masons may attend meetings; observe, and even take part in the ceremonies; listen to the lectures; become deeply impressed by the beauty of the language, yet fail to see any application to present practice and living and so depart from the sacred precincts of the lodge, believing that they have fulfilled their masonic obligations. Freemasonry, to be of real value to its followers, and so to the world, must become a living, fructifying power in those who subscribe to its tenets. That it may become such demands study and reflection: its history, traditions and practices must be examined.

Again he says:

Let us rise to the full stature of masonic manhood—let us seek honor by the doing of good deeds. Let us remember that “as we seek, so shall we find.” Let not the masonic emblem or charm be the only badge that marks us as one of the brotherhood, but let us remember that the highest and proudest title that can be conferred upon us is that we stand just and upright Masons.

THE MASONIC HOME.

Our Minnesota brethren have gone about the establishment of a Home in a careful and intelligent manner. It was first of all decided “that no measures should be taken for the location or construction of such proposed home until the sum of \$100,000 was raised.” Acting on this plan they have accumulated about \$63,000. It will not be long until the amount will be raised and then a Home can be built and maintained without embarrassment.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

The writer of the review of grand lodges is IRVING TODD, whom the writer recognizes as an old time newspaper friend. The report is not lengthy but crowded full of details of the various grand lodges as shown by the proceedings considered.

Brother TODD is liberal in space accorded Illinois for our 1909 session. He says that Brother BELL’s “address is an adequate summary of masonic affairs in that great jurisdiction.” In summarizing the expenditures of the Masonic Homes, Brother TODD gets his wires crossed. He says, “the reports of the Chicago Home show fifty-six inmates, maintenance \$24,689.31; of the Sullivan Home, seventy-six inmates, maintenance \$11,792.13.” These figures should be reversed. The larger expen-

ditures belong at Sullivan and the smaller at Chicago. By the way they are not "inmates" but members of the Home family.

BROTHER ROBBINS.

Of the report on correspondence the reviewer says:

The death of Bro. Joseph Robbins, whose reports on correspondence since 1888 were among the ablest masonic papers ever written, had left a vacancy not easily filled, but the mantle of Elijah descended upon Bro. Edward Cook, and a creditable review of three hundred and thirty pages resulted therefrom. A little long, but good reading.

BROTHER COOK'S REPORT.

The correspondent then continues by saying that:

Minnesota is roundly scored for recognizing Valle de Mexico at its last session. This to some extent may have been sentiment or commercialism or both, but we apprehend no more evil will result than from the recognition by Illinois of Cuba or Holland, neither of which have an unclouded genealogy. As we have said before, Masonry in some countries has to be taken as we find it, not as we would like to have it.

Brother Cook holds that a lodge should not be a mere automaton; that each of the degrees should be opened and closed in full at every meeting, which we are pleased to say is not the Minnesota practice; that conservatism is a good thing, but can easily be carried to excess; that a lodge room is not too sacred a place for the mothers, wives, sisters, and daughters of Masons to meet in any respectable society; that biographical sketches should be more general; that the conduct of a man determines his status, not the vocation; that some standard of esoteric work is an incentive to uniformity of exoteric work; that there is joy in knowing that making Masons at sight is a rare occasion; that a knowledge of the work is not the only qualification for the master's chair; that the way to have uniform work is to adopt and use it; that one ballot should entitle a candidate to all there is in Ancient Craft Masonry; that degree peddlers should not be suppressed by state legislation; that a preacher is just as good as any other man if he behaves as well; that Saskatchewan is long on past grand masters for so young a grand lodge; that Masonry of the heart and head should be exalted, with less reliance upon the pocket; and that less liberality in granting special dispensations would increase respect for the law.

NO SHORT FORM.

Brother Todd's attention is called to the fact that it is not merely Brother Cook's opinion "that each of the degrees should be opened and closed in full at every meeting," but it is the law of our grand lodge. There is only one way to open and close. There is no form other than the one in use and that is short enough for anyone who cares for order and decorum in lodge work.

The grand master is WILLIAM B. PATTON, Duluth; the grand secretary, JOHN FISHEL, St. Paul.

MISSISSIPPI—1910.

349 LODGES.

92ND ANNUAL.

17,822 MEMBERS.

An imposing volume of about 550 pages records the proceedings of the 92nd annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Mississippi held in 1910. The session was at Columbus, February 15. The fine face of WALTER M. CONNER serves as an attractive frontispiece.

With a full corps of grand officers, present and past, the grand lodge was opened in ample form. There were present twenty-nine representatives of other grand lodges, among these was that distinguished Mason, P.G.M. FREDERIC SPEED, who stands for Illinois. He also is the efficient grand secretary.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The business of the year was ably set forth by Grand Master WILEY H. CLIFTON. He puts much stress upon the teachings of the ritual and their beneficial effect in the lives of men. He quotes from the grand lecturer and district deputies who "say never before in the history of Mississippi were there ever so many educated Masons as now." The grand master then adds:

We have entered the last decade of a century's labor as a grand lodge in Mississippi, and I am not a dreamer when I venture the prediction that if you will but continue this campaign of education as now organized, when we celebrate our centenary you will not only have an educated craft, and that means Masons in the broadest sense, but you will have a membership of 40,000 loyal souls.

APPEALS REFUSED.

Under his administration all appeals for aid for individual Masons were refused. He wanted lodges and members to exhaust their own resources in caring for a "distressed worthy brother" before coming to the grand lodge. The grand master did grant many dispensations for various things. The most of these were for the very questionable purpose of allowing lodges to "ballot out of time and initiate," etc. The grand master refused to lay a corner-stone of a conservatory of music because it was not a public building. This is a common scheme to get the prestige of a great institution to help advertise a private enterprise.

THE MASONIC HOME.

The home for indigent Masons, their widows and orphans is reported to be in excellent condition. Grand Master Clifton says that:

This great charitable institution, the pride of Mississippi Masons, has passed the experimental period and taken its place among the homes of its sister states in the organized work of relief for the indigent Masons, widows and orphans. It will stand as a charge upon the masonic craft

of this jurisdiction for all time to come, and the sooner its endowment is made ample and permanent to meet all possible calls on it, the better and more efficiently will it accomplish the great work intended.

Our southern brethren are expending some of their funds to help lodges care for their poor and needy at their homes. This is reported to produce good results.

DECISIONS.

Not many decisions were rendered by the grand master though the committee on jurisprudence went into law construction quite extensively. Little other than of strictly local interest is to be found. It was held that a man of illegitimate parentage is not eligible for Masonry. This is rather severe on one who is in no way responsible for his birth and who, barring this, may be a man of eminent respectability.

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY.

It is usually expected that the grand secretary will write the records, do the "figgeren," look handsome and say little. This does not apply when so eminent a Mason and past grand master as Bro. FREDERIC SPEED is grand secretary. It is not surprising then that something is said in the report of the grand secretary about Masonry in general. A brief extract will illustrate:

We know that wherever Masonry is flourishing, the welfare of the community is conserved by a mighty force, which is always to be found arrayed upon the side of the public welfare and all that tends to promote the happiness of the people. No better evidence of this can be required than by the pertinent fact, that all of the highest places in the public service, are occupied by Masons and without boasting we can point to our governors, judges, clergy, legislators, and other public functionaries, as men who wear the lamb-skin apron as the badge of a Mason, with honor to themselves and credit to the craft. Of course with this array of Masons sitting in the highest seats, comes a responsibility which we do not hesitate to assume, and if our people are not happy and well governed; if law, order and justice does not prevail, the children of the state educated, and the poor nourished and cared for, the blame must be laid at the feet of Masonry and Masons, for Masons make our laws and Masons execute them.

Did space permit much more of this excellent report would be given. Here is another paragraph that is too good to pass by:

There are some lodges, who think that they perform the full measure of their duty when they draw from the lodge treasury an appropriation for the poor, and it is unfortunately too true, that they do not consider that the great treasury of Masonry is to be found in the pockets of the brotherhood and not in the lodge treasury and that the key which will unlock those pockets is the heart of a Mason. It is not sufficient that we should pay our lodge dues, for every organization, for every sort of a purpose, which exists, has lodge or society dues, and some give in just as little as possible, that they may draw out as much as possible, but these lodges are social, and stand upon an entirely different basis from

Freemasonry. We do not help our sick and poor with the idea that we are to get anything in return from the investment. It is something which goes into God's chancery and when the final dividend is declared, it will not come to us in the shape of dollars and cents.

This has in it the true ring of Freemasonry and in these days of the "loaves and fishes" variety of fraternity, is very refreshing. This is the masonic gospel preached for so many years by our lamented ROBBINS. Brother SPEED calls attention to the fact that 172 lodges have become defunct since the organization of the grand lodge of his state. He then sounds a note of warning against new lodges in places where they can not live.

COST OF THE HOME.

The per capita expense of maintaining the Home is shown to be \$129.60. Children in the Home attend the public school. This is fortunate. They would lose much if they were isolated from the touch of the miniature American republic, the common school. At the close of the year the Home fund was in a healthy condition and a balance of \$4,981.55 was in the treasury.

THE COLOR LINE.

One of the most serious questions before the grand lodge grew out of the negro issue in New Jersey. The former grand master withdrew recognition because a lodge of colored men in that state is kept as a constituent body. The committee to which the action of the former grand master was referred made a very strong report sustaining the grand master. A single extract from the able report will serve to show the attitude held by our Mississippi brethren:

There has been such a constant repetition of the phrase, which has sprung up in Masonry, that it knows no race, color, or religious condition, that people have lost sight of the fact that this was but a glittering generality upon the part of masonic orators, indulged in for the most part for the purpose of calling forth the applause of the unthinking or uninformed Masons. It is not true now and never was and probably never will be, that the doors of Freemasonry are open to men of all races, conditions, and creeds, and while the utmost tolerance is shown, there are existing people of numerous races, who would not be admitted into Masonry; there are others whose social and moral conditions are such, that they could not be, and there are others whose religion is repugnant to the very fundamental principles upon which all Masonry is based; - it is not necessary that we should particularize where these people are to be found; it suffices to say that there are numerous races steeped in ignorance and unfitted for association with others, in an institution where the social element is cherished and developed to its utmost extent, as in Freemasonry.

It is needless to say that the position of the committee was unanimously approved. The following, as a cracker to the whip, was adopted:

Resolved, That any Mason who holds masonic intercourse with a clandestine Mason, or visits a clandestine (and all negro lodges are hereby declared clandestine) lodge, shall be expelled, and it shall be the duty of the grand master to immediately arrest the charter of a lodge that fails to enforce this law.

WANT TO EXPEL A DEAD MAN.

In one case reported a brother was on trial and before decision was reached the accused died. The case was referred to the grand master to know if they could not be permitted to go on and expel him anyhow. The grand lodge decided that it would not do to expel a dead man. The committee said that the accused had appealed to a higher court and his case must be disposed of there.

Provision was made for a grand orator and an oration not longer than one hour.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

Past Grand Master HARRY T. HOWARD presents the report on correspondence. The reference to Illinois is brief and pointed. It well summarizes the actions of our grand lodge. He quotes liberally from Grand Master BELL'S annual address. Naturally the correspondent falls into the error of saying that Egypt had been recognized. By a mistake in the printed proceedings of Illinois this impression is given. The action taken was to refer the resolution of recognition to the committee on correspondence for investigation and report at the next grand lodge.

Of the oration Brother HOWARD says:

The oration, "The World Growing Better," delivered the second day by Bro. Euclid B. Rogers, was a long one, covering twelve closely printed pages. But if he had the tongue to deliver what he wrote, it must have been an inspiring hour.

BROTHERS ROBBINS AND COOK.

The following is all that is said regarding the death of Brother ROBBINS and the report on correspondence written by Brother COOK:

While in the woods of Canada, the mail brought us word last July, of the passing of Dr. Joseph Robbins, P.G.M., and chairman of the correspondence committee. Brother Cook's letter reached us too late for the information he asked, but we lay our tribute at the grave of this sturdy pilgrim who has taught so many of us patience and industry, by his long service of forty-five years in the Grand Lodge of Illinois.

Bro. Edward Cook, chairman of the jurisprudence committee, completed the report of Brother Robbins by request of the grand master.

The report is quite a long one, 340 pages. Five pages to Mississippi, at Meridian, last year.

The grand master is WALTER M. CONNER, Hattiesburg; the grand secretary is FREDERIC SPEED, Vicksburg.

MISSOURI—1909.

607 LODGES.

89TH ANNUAL.

49,088 MEMBERS.

The portrait and biography of the retiring grand master, ROBERT R. KREEGER, are a fitting opening of the proceedings of the 89th annual session of the Missouri grand lodge held at St. Joseph.

Four hundred and fifty-three pages are required to tell the story of the work for one year. All the elective and appointive grand officers are recorded as present. To show their appreciation of being allowed to entertain the grand lodge the brethren of St. Joseph presented the grand master with a beautiful gavel to be used during the session.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

Grand Master KREEGER made an address filled with helpful things growing out of his official experience and work. The death of M.W. Bro. R. E. ANDERSON, fraternal correspondent, is noted as the only loss from the official ranks during the year. The grand master says that "as a token of respect and as an indication of our high regard for him a successor has not been appointed, preferring to permit him to serve throughout the year in spirit if not in reality."

The grand master says that:

Peace and good will abound, and our lodges are prospering to an extent that causes us to wonder at their success. The effort to supply a little higher standard of citizen continues, and the work of character-building still goes on. The past has many pleasing incidents to remember; the future is bright and inviting. On every hand we come in contact with men of high moral character, who are making it the effort of their lives to exemplify the principles of our Institution. Men who join in promoting each other's welfare and rejoice at their prosperity. The man with the muck rake is gradually disappearing from the ranks, and the one with a smiling face and happy heart is taking his place.

A net gain in membership of 1,658 is noted.

MASONIC TEMPLES.

At Kansas City a \$1,000,000 structure is in course of erection to be used exclusively for masonic purposes. The lodge at Louisiana with a membership of less than 200 has raised about \$30,000 to be put into a building to be devoted entirely to Masonry. It is noted that many other lodges own the buildings in which they find shelter.

HELPED MAKE BROTHER TAFT.

The grand master attended the meeting at Cincinnati at which president-elect, WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT, was made a Mason at sight. There were seventeen other grand masters present, aiding and abetting. Among others noted as present was our own JOSEPH E. DYAS, G.G.H.P. of the General Grand Chapter R.A.M. of the United States. It was a little difficult to recognize our brother so well known as JOE DYAS, because he was put down as "EDWARD" E. DYAS.

Brother KREEGER says that while there has been some mild criticism of the grand master of Ohio in exercising his prerogative to make a Mason at sight yet he thinks that the critics have not "studied Masonry in spirit and truth and for the purpose of becoming familiar with its doctrines." He approves and is glad to have been present.

PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE.

The conference of grand masters held at Philadelphia is approved and the incoming grand master authorized to participate in a similar meeting in the coming year. The conference to which reference is made is the one attended by Grand Master BELL and of which he made such an able report to the Grand Lodge of Illinois.

MASONIC HOME.

Of their Masonic Home he says:

Out on Delmar avenue, in the city of St. Louis, stands the pride of every true masonic heart in this state. We are all familiar with its history of the past, and know something of its management at present. We learn from the reports of its officers, who are good and zealous Masons, that all that it is possible for man to do is being done to prepare the young and hopeful hearts of our children for the duties of a high and honorable life; and make the last days of the aged and infirm, old people admitted there, comfortable and peaceful. But we do not hear of the many sad and aching hearts caused by lack of room and proper facilities for taking care of our more helpless—those who, by reason of their physical condition, must be denied admission.

This is not due to any lack of interest or mismanagement on the part of our home board, but to the failure, or probably inability, of our grand lodge to provide the necessary funds to enable such board to purchase and equip a separate home or hospital to which those of the fraternity, afflicted with incurable disease and incapable of caring for themselves, may be admitted.

He then urges that steps be taken to provide added and needed facilities. His suggestion was adopted by the grand lodge.

DECISIONS.

Fourteen decisions were made and reported. All except two were approved. No. 1 asks whether an E.A. who has taken up the business of traveling for a "whiskey house" since he was initiated, can be advanced. The grand master says he is not barred although the Missouri law prohibits lodges from receiving petitions from those engaged in the liquor business. He says his right to advancement is because he was initiated before he became a liquor seller.

Decisions Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 5 also pertain to the liquor business. In No. 3 the law of Missouri is quoted as follows:

"No lodge shall receive the petition for the degrees or affiliation from any person who is engaged in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, either as distiller, brewer, etc.

Another clause says: "Any Mason who may hereafter begin such business shall be expelled."

In Nos. 13 and 14 the fact is disclosed that by law dues are payable in advance. The wisdom of this law is seriously questioned. If a brother pays his share of the expense of running the lodge and other obligations already accrued he has quite done his duty.

ALL LODGES PAID DUES.

The grand secretary reports that for the fourth time he has collected the grand lodge dues from every one of the 600 lodges in the state. In Illinois, through the vigilance and industry of Brothers DILL and CUTTER, this has become the established fashion. It has been many years since an Illinois lodge has been delinquent.

The grand treasurer shows a healthy financial condition. Total receipts were \$107,618.85, disbursements \$45,543.89, leaving a comfortable balance of \$62,074.96. It would not seem very difficult to get money enough to build and equip a hospital at the Masonic Home.

OUR DISTINGUISHED DEAD.

The committee on obituaries notes the death of Past Grand Secretary LOYAL L. MUNN, and says that "he was a conspicuous figure in the civil, social and religious life of Freeport."

In giving a paragraphic review of the life of M.W. Bro. JOSEPH ROBBINS, the committee says, "He was chairman of the committee on jurisprudence three terms and fraternal correspondent nearly thirty years, in which position he achieved great distinction."

Missouri must like to give every man an office. The committee on grand master's address has fifteen members.

THE ORATIONS.

One of the grand orators was R.W. Bro. FRANCIS A. LEACH. His address on "The Essential of Life" was well prepared and full of interest. He says that—

Masonic brotherly love is the practical demonstration of a constant desire to better understand and help our fellow man by methods that are not radical, and that have stood the test of time. It does not confine itself to set times, chosen classes or selected races of men. It endeavors to find the good in all men, to better all men, to unite all men for their common welfare. It is the kind of love that does not make a great show of benevolence and kindness in public or business life and at home, stints or abuses a wife, scolds the children and generally mistreats or neglects the family. Masonic love commences at home.

Missouri is prolific of masonic orators. Hence a second oration appears in the proceedings written by W. Bro. J. WEST GOODWIN, who was unable to be present. Brother GOODWIN is an old time newspaper friend of the writer of their review. The oration was able and forceful. He asks "What is Masonry?" and then answers:

Masonry is a superb and spacious structure, whose basis is truth and benevolence; whose material is good deeds; whose cement is social principle or brotherly love; and whose ornaments are the human virtues.

Masonry, in this respect, is a huge charitable bank, with a branch in every individual brother. The worthy and needy brother may always with full confidence present his check to either the parent bank, or to any of its branches. He need have no fear of being refused or rejected. This bank is never insolvent. Its percentage is small, yet its revenues grow in proportion to the claims upon them. Thus the thousands of masonic Jews were made one; and rendered happy by the transforming power of benevolence. Such is one of the foundation elements of Masonry.

RULES FOR RECOGNITION.

The report of the committee on recognition of foreign grand lodges contains some anomalies but is full of interest to the masonic student. Preliminary to recognizing another grand lodge the following questions are propounded:

1. Is your grand lodge a sovereign grand lodge, and supreme in its government over the three symbolic degrees, and not under the control of a grand orient, supreme council or sovereign body?

2. Where did the lodges that originally formed your grand lodge derive their charters?

3. Does your grand lodge require of the candidate a belief in the one living and true God?

4. Does your grand lodge require the Holy Bible to be upon the altar in open lodge?

5. Is your grand lodge in fraternal recognition with the Grand Orient of France, or the Grand Lodge of France?

These are vital questions fundamental to Ancient Craft Masonry. The committee then says that:

These questions and their answers are pertinent and absolutely essential before the question of recognition can even be considered:

1. Because the Grand Lodge of Missouri can recognize only a grand lodge of Symbolic Masonry. As a grand lodge we can have no knowledge of higher degrees, hence cannot extend recognition and exchange representatives with any governing body of so-called higher degrees. A grand lodge must be supreme in its government.

2. It is essential that the lodges that have formed and organized a grand lodge for their government must have been chartered by a legitimate source, an accredited grand lodge.

HOW CAN YOU DO IT?

Notwithstanding these excellent requirements the Grand Lodge of Missouri is in fraternal relation with and recognizes the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico as legitimate. How this could be passes comprehension. The Mexican body was formed by three lodges in the City of Mexico, neither of which ever had a charter from any legitimate source. In order to form a grand lodge three lodges are essential. The one lodge, and it of Scottish Rite authorization, was split up into three. These are the constituents of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico. Today there are twenty-nine lodges in the federal district which corresponds to the District of Columbia. These make up this so-called grand lodge of Masons. Fifteen of these are of York Rite origin. The other fourteen are Scottish Rite. How, under Nos. 1 and 2 quoted above, Missouri can recognize a body so thoroughly wanting in legitimate parentage is not easily seen. Following this comes another nut hard to crack. Here it is:

The Grand Lodge of the Republic of San Salvador has applied for recognition and presents very satisfactory credentials. It is a sovereign grand lodge of Symbolic Masonry. It requires a belief in Deity, and the Holy Bible is upon the altars of its lodges. It has no relations with the Grand Orient or Grand Lodge of France. *The original charters of the lodges that formed this grand lodge were issued by the Supreme Council of Central America. The Supreme Council of Central America is a Scottish Rite body, and recognized as of accredited authority.* Your committee sees no reason why fraternal recognition should be withheld, and recommends its recognition and exchange of representatives.

Brethren how can you square San Salvador with your requirements noted herein? The committee finds that it is necessary to withdraw recognition of Costa Rica and it is done. The Central and South American bodies are, generally speaking, masonic "rotten boroughs" and are good things to let alone. However, if our good old friend Missouri wants to consort with them Illinois cannot complain, but warns you that you are skating on thin ice.

NO AUTHORITY FOR A CLUB.

The committee on jurisprudence wisely says that:

There is no provision under our law for the formation of any club or organization in which the work is exemplified except in a lodge of instruction under the charge and supervision of the district deputy grand master and lecturer.

It appearing to the committee that Acacia Fraternity is a purely social body of young Masons, formed for the purpose of social intercourse and the intelligent study and investigation of the history, philosophy and ritual of Masonry, and not for the purpose of exemplifying the work, this committee recommends that the resolution offered by W. Bro. V. H. Roberts at the last session of the grand lodge, and referred to your committee, be approved.

BROTHER VINCIL'S SUCCESSOR DIES.

The report of the committee on foreign correspondence is presented by the grand secretary with the statement that it was prepared by nine brethren who reviewed sixty-six grand lodges. After the death of John D. Vincil, who so long edited the foreign correspondence, the senior past grand master, RUFUS E. ANDERSON, was chosen for this work. Brother ANDERSON presented four reports before he went to eternal rest and refreshment in the paradise of God." No successor was named until the session under review. The successor named and who is the present correspondent is Rev. Bro. CHARLES C. WOODS, St. Louis.

In the review of grand lodges Illinois is well treated in a report of 3½ pages. Of Brother BELL the report says:

The grand master's address was a valuable document, and is worthy of imitation by other grand masters. It was entirely free from all imaginary oratory, and no meaningless poetic quotations are found to mar its usefulness. It follows the mandate of the law, being a full and complete report of his official acts during the year.

The committee was quite taken with the oration as the following shows:

The grand orator, R.W. Bro. Elmer E. Beach, delivered the annual oration. Subject: "International Brotherhood." The oration was a masterly effort, dealing with the evil of selfishness, avarice and ambition. We wish that a copy of this oration could be placed not only in the hand of every Mason, but in the hand of every legislator in every civilized land.

Brother ROBBINS' report on correspondence is summarized in the following paragraph:

The foreign correspondence report was written by Past Grand Master Joseph Robbins. He was grand master of the grand lodge for two years, 1876 and 1877, and in point of service is the oldest living grand master in the state. The report covers 349 pages, of which eight are given to Missouri. The report is carefully prepared, and the writer thereof frequently takes the liberty to express his individual opinion of matters in

general. He takes a few shots at some of the decisions of our past grand master, D. M. Wilson, and we would guess that he is slightly inclined to enjoy a controversy, even though he is forced to take a position that might be untenable.

The grand master is WM. A. HALL, St. Louis, and the grand secretary, JOHN R. PARSON, St. Louis.

MONTANA—1909.

71 LODGES.

45TH ANNUAL.

5,485 MEMBERS.

Four specials and the 45th annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Montana for 1909 are reported in a neat volume of a little less than 300 pages. The yearly meeting was held at Butte, September 15, 16, 1909. Little of general interest appears in this copy of proceedings. Locally no doubt it meant much to the craft of the big far western state. So far as the records show Illinois was not represented, although twenty-three other grand jurisdictions had each a man on the ground.

MASONIC BUILDINGS.

The grand master reports having laid corner-stones of masonic buildings of considerable size and importance: Missoula, \$91,000; Billings, \$90,000; Red Lodge, \$25,000; Lewistown, \$49,000—this is about the way they show up. This indicates a live interest in that section.

THE MASONIC HOME.

Real courage is shown in the establishment of a masonic home costing about \$60,000. Having only 5,485 members of constituent lodges will make the effort to support a home of such extent rather difficult. The cry of the distressed worthy brother reached the attentive ear and a fine home, suitably furnished and equipped is the result. Good business management is evident in the progress made. The Home was ready for occupancy and is no doubt running successfully.

DECISIONS.

But three decisions were reported. In No. 1 a brother is shown to have held a dimit for sixteen years. When he petitioned for membership he was rejected three times within two years. He was also denied

the right of visitation. A man who cares so little for lodge privileges as to go sixteen years without affiliation is not enough of a Mason to be accorded any lodge rights. He probably wanted to save money by not paying lodge dues. Such a man usually has some ulterior and mercenary motive in seeking membership after so long a time. The grand lodge sustained the decision of the grand master and the action of the lodge. Other decisions are merely local in interest, No. 3 being much like No. 1.

OTHER REPORTS

The deputy grand master, senior and junior grand wardens each makes a formal report. As these officers have few duties and are simply on the waiting list for advancement to higher honors little is found in their reports of importance. An effort to establish a clandestine lodge at Butte came to naught by the wise and careful attention of the grand master.

STINGY TO THE DEAD.

The "Report of Committee on Necrology" was embraced in eleven printed lines. This included the title and signature of committee. The name "necrology" is big but the report could be represented by——.

Grand Master NOLAN called attention to the coronation of FAY HEMPSTEAD as poet laureate of Masonry. The selection was unanimously approved by vote of the grand lodge. Members of the Eastern Star were, by formal vote, accorded the benefit of membership in the Masonic Home, when otherwise eligible under the rules of admission.

THE SIGNET RING.

Grand Master NOLAN, with due solemnity, presented to his successor the signet ring which is transferred from year to year. His words are worthy of reproduction:

History records the fact that the Persian hosts invading Greece in the Pass of Thermopylae, encountered Leonidas and his immortal band, and though confronting countless hosts, they bravely held their ground until the last man perished, and we are told that Greece, in grateful remembrance of this act of sublime heroism, on the spot so valiantly defended, erected a monument on which was inscribed,

"Go, stranger, to Lacedemon and tell
That here, obedient to her wish, we fell,"

and for centuries afterward the children of Greece were required, as a part of their education, to recite from memory the names of those immortals who there perished in defense of their country.

No annual oration was reported.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

The report was written by P.G.M. H. S. HEPNER, who announces "us" responsible. There is little in this report that is likely to make the writer "the target of all shafts for puns or attempted witticisms." He works in the ancient fiction of the "round table." Why not let the correspondents work on the square? That is masonic.

RINGS THE BELL.

The report of Illinois is for 1908. Reference is made to Grand Master BELL's annual address as follows, "His address is strictly business without any bursts of oratory or flights of fancy and is clear as a 'bell.'" The name of our grand master is given so that all may see the joke about the "bell." He records the death of Bro. GIL W. BARNARD, a brother whose fame was not confined to Illinois, but who was known as a masonic writer wherever English-speaking Masonry exists.

LIKES ONE, DISLIKES THE OTHER.

The reviewer has the following:

"International Brotherhood" was the subject of the grand orator's splendid effort, and his "photo" adorns a page of the proceedings (upon special order of the grand lodge).

We like the style of the report of the committee on appeals and grievances; Missouri, take notice!

As against this, we do not like the prolific report of the committee on lodges U.D.; there is certainly too much matter noticed; a brief condensed report would have been better.

BROTHER ROBBINS' REPORT.

Of Brother ROBBINS' report on correspondence he says: "His report is worth any man's time to read. He is thoroughly versed in masonic lore and is an adept in the art. Sorry we cannot take time to copy a large portion of this report."

Grand master is JOHN L. CARROLL, Butte; grand secretary, CORNELIUS HEDGES, JR., Helena.

NEBRASKA—1909.

242 LODGES.

52D ANNUAL.

17,119 MEMBERS.

A handsome volume bound in the symbolic blue chronicles the doings of the 52nd annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, held at Omaha June 8, 9 and 10, 1909.

An emergent communication on April 9 was convened to accompany the remains of Past Deputy Grand Master HENRY BROWN to Nebraska City. Another was held May 10 to pay the last tribute to Past Grand Master BRADNER D. SLAUGHTER. Both emergents were held at Omaha.

The annual session was convened with Grand Master DEBORD and all the grand officers present except the grand chaplain. Twenty-three past grand masters were recorded as present. Among these was M.W. Bro. GEORGE H. THUMMEL, representative of Illinois.

ANNUAL REPORT.

The annual address of Grand Master DEBORD was a lengthy, exhaustive and able document. It is not possible even to summarize it. A glimpse here and there is all that the limits of space will permit. He notes that it has been a year of unparalleled prosperity among the lodges. One-third own their buildings and are "housed in their own temples," others are preparing to build.

To show how these brethren dwell together in unity the grand master says:

I am pleased to report that all matters of grievances which were placed in my hands have been entirely disposed of.

The grand master says that:

Gilead Lodge No. 233, of Butte, lost in a fire all its furniture and paraphernalia, without any insurance. This lodge had either willfully or carelessly violated the provisions of the grand lodge law requiring every lodge to carry insurance upon its property. It proposed to send to other lodges throughout the state and country an appeal for financial assistance. I disapproved of this request unless the lodge should first satisfy me that the members thereof were unable financially to purchase the paraphernalia necessary for the work. I considered that the brethren were not entitled to any large amount of sympathy since the loss occurred through their continued neglect and disobedience of our grand lodge law. No such showing has been made by the lodge and the appeal for assistance has not been made.

The grand master was quite right. Why ask lodges that are careful and business-like to help those who do not provide against such contingencies as fire?

DECISIONS.

Decisions to the number of twenty-three were rendered, all of which were approved substantially as presented. Only a few are of interest outside of Nebraska. Attention is called to the following:

5. Examination for advancement can only be held at *regular* meetings of the lodge.

Are not all meetings, whether stated or special, *regular*? Waiving this may it not be inconvenient, where much work is done, to have all examinations at stated meetings?

6. A lodge may not meet in a room over a public dance hall.

10. Smoking is not allowable in the lodge or preparation room.

To which the committee very wisely added "during the hours of labor." Even with this such a rule would be troublesome to enforce.

TOO MUCH EATING AND SMOKING.

The grand master strikes at an abuse which prevails in many lodges outside of Nebraska. He says that:

In one instance I found that the lodge finances were sadly depleted because of excessive amounts spent in the purchase of cigars and lodge banquets, and while the money was being disbursed in this fashion, the obligations of the lodge were not being paid as they matured. I recommended to the brethren that they voluntarily contribute sufficient to pay up the obligations of the lodge. This was promptly done, and I am satisfied that this condition will never again prevail in this lodge.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

Our Nebraska brethren are struggling with what in Illinois was known as the life membership question. For some strange reason brethren insist that they should be exempt from payment of dues after they have been members for a period of twenty-five or some other period of years and reach the age of sixty-five. Why? Often these are the ablest to pay. Do they want the younger and less able to bear the expenses and meet calls for charity? Grand Master DEBORD hit the nail on the head when he said:

I would recommend that the grand lodge adopt an amendment to its law prohibiting any lodge from exempting any of its members from lodge or grand lodge dues. Heretofore some Masons have considered the exemption list as an honorary list of Masons. I believe it rather more honorable for a Mason, who is able to pay his pro rata share of the expenses of the lodge, and his part of the expense of legitimate charity of the lodge, to insist upon paying, rather than to have his share of this burden borne by the other brethren.

The grand lodge did not kill this evil but it will be forced to do so before many years.

INTEREST ON BALANCES.

On the recommendation of the grand master the grand treasurer is required to pay 2 per cent. interest on daily balances.

An invitation from Past Grand Master JOHN C. SMITH to attend the coronation of R.W. Bro. FAY HEMPSTEAD as poet laureate of Freemasonry is acknowledged.

A MASON AT SIGHT.

Regarding the right of Ohio to make President TAFT a Mason "at sight" the grand master says:

Whether the power of making Masons at sight is a universal prerogative of grand masters may be a controverted question in some quarters, but there is no doubt that the grand master of Ohio has this power, for it is expressly recognized by the constitution of the Grand Lodge of Ohio, which in detailing the powers and prerogatives of the grand master provides: "It is his prerogative to make Masons at sight and for this purpose he may summon such brethren as he may deem necessary.

The very excellent address closes with a ringing paragraph of which this sentence is the text: "Masonry of the present age has stamped upon it the word *service*."

MASONIC HOME.

The grand secretary, FRANCIS E. WHITE, reports concerning the Masonic Home as follows:

1. Buildings and grounds cost \$43,000.
2. There are 406 shares of stock of which the grand lodge owns 266, leaving 140 in other hands.
3. During 1908 there were thirty-nine persons cared for at an annual cost per capita of \$236.52. Now in the Home, 17 men, 13 women, and 2 boys.
4. Several commanderies of Knights Templar contributed to the funds for the comfort of the members.

Here is a pointer for Illinois Sir Knights. They would enjoy the privilege of voluntarily helping those who need the assistance of their brethren.

THE ANNUAL ORATION.

An evening session was devoted to the able and inspiring oration by ALBERT W. JEFFRIES, the grand orator. This production was quite replete with historical references and was full of interest.

The chief feature was a recital of the statesmen and patriots of the past who were honored by being allowed to wear the white apron, "the emblem of innocence and the badge of a Mason." The good brother perhaps would agree that multitudes of men, good and true, though

moving in the humbler avenues of life, have graced our fraternity equally with those whom the world calls great. Here is one paragraph from this splendid oration:

When the Declaration of Independence was adopted, he who first signed it was the proscribed of tyrants, the sworn enemy of kings and who said as he signed his name to the great pledge of American Liberty and Independence, "We must now hang together or we will hang separately." Such was the utterance of John Hancock, a Master Mason.

Hardly. The old 5th reader of our boyhood days describes this grim witticism to Benjamin Franklin. The first signer of the Declaration is chiefly noted because he attached his "John Hancock" to it.

The grand lodge adopted a monitor and book of ceremonials for the exclusive use of lodges. Illinois' representative, Past Grand Master THUMMEL, is the author, and appears to be the EDWARD COOK, of Nebraska.

A SMALLER COMMITTEE.

A special committee recommended a reorganization of the committee on jurisprudence. Heretofore this committee consisted of all past grand masters. It is now proposed to make this committee consist of seven P.G.M.'s to be appointed by the grand master. With a new grand master each year this committee is so large that its sessions resemble a town meeting.

The grand lodge closed at 4:30 p. m. the third day, after holding morning, afternoon and evening sessions. Illinois, with a membership of almost five times as many as Nebraska, gets its business done with three sessions, one each day.

REVIEW OF GRAND LODGES.

The report of committee on correspondence is written by P.G.M. CHARLES J. PHELPS. He devotes two pages to Illinois and refers to the oration of R.W. Bro. BEACH as "interesting and entertaining" but does not quote from it. Most of the report deals with the report of our fallen giant, Brother ROBBINS, and gives him high praise.

The committee on fraternal dead notes the passing over of Past Grand Secretary LOYAL L. MUNN.

The grand master is MICHAEL DOWLING, Omaha; the grand secretary is FRANCIS E. WHITE, Omaha.

NEVADA—1910.

25 LODGES.

46TH ANNUAL.

1,681 MEMBERS.

Though small in numbers Nevada is not wanting in interest and enthusiasm in the great cause of fraternity. The story of a year's work in Masonry is told in a handsomely printed book of 439 pages. The tastefulness of the volume is rather heightened by the simple cover page bearing the name, "Nevada," in large, plain, black type, and "1910" in smaller form below. Many copies of proceedings are so elaborately adorned that all semblance of beauty is lost.

A fine picture of FRANK H. NORCROSS, grand master 1909-1910, adds to the attractiveness of the book.

One special was held for the purpose of laying away with the solemn rites of our fraternity P.G.M. MICHAEL A. MURPHY. Bishop ROBINSON made a beautiful and appropriate address.

The 46th annual was amply opened at Reno, June 14, and continued for three days. The most interesting feature was the laying of the corner-stone of the court house at Reno, Washoe county, Nevada. This interesting ceremony was conducted by the grand master, assisted by the entire corps of grand lodge officers at the close of the 2nd day's session. The grand orator, PEARL E. KEELER, made a most interesting and eloquent address which is printed in full. Limited space prevents its insertion here.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

Grand Master NORCROSS presents his year's work in a most acceptable form. He notes prosperity and growth. The gain in membership is 113. There were two deaths of past grand masters during the year and suitable tributes were paid to them both by the grand master and by special memorial committees. The death of Past Grand Master ROBBINS is noted.

The following gem from the pen of Brother ROBBINS is used to introduce the "memorial pages":

"And, when, in coming years,
We bow in sorrowing tears,
O'er death's last choice;
Grant then sweet hope to cheer,
The faith that knows no fear,
The quickened ear to hear
The still small voice."

—Joseph Robbins.

CONFERENCES OF GRAND MASTERS.

The grand master highly commends conferences such as were held at Philadelphia and Baltimore and pledges representation from Nevada. In regard to the building of a memorial to "Washington—the Mason" the grand master says:

While Masonry is essentially an institution of peace, the great fundamental and imperishable truths which it inculcates, of truth, liberty, equality, justice and brotherly love, could not have failed to have produced a powerful effect upon its devotees, living in a time of political injustice and oppression, and I think it is not too much to say that the principles of Masonry reflected through the ideas of its members, had no little effect in moulding the principles enunciated in the Declaration of American independence and later embodied in our constitution.

That Washington was deeply imbued with the principles of Masonry may be evidenced from the fact that he received his oath of office as president of the United States with his hand resting upon the Holy Bible taken from St. John's Lodge No. 1 of New York and later laid the corner-stone of the capitol of this great nation with all the honors of Masonry.

The grand master resolved to visit every lodge in his state but was prevented from doing so by many unavoidable circumstances. There are not many lodges in Nevada but its vast territorial extent, its sparse settlement and its mountainous surface makes the task an arduous one at the best. However, the grand master succeeded in visiting most of the lodges.

NEVADA LAW.

The grand master did not report his decisions but in advance turned them over to the committee on jurisprudence. This serves a double purpose. It does not encumber the record, and, if the committee should not agree with the grand master, the differences need not appear.

Eleven decisions are reported by the committee. Only two are of more than local interest. It was held that a man who had lost the thumb and first two fingers of his left hand was physically qualified. In the other it was decided, in accordance with the Nevada constitution, that where an applicant for the degrees had been elected, an objection would require an investigation of the objection. In Illinois an objection prevents the initiation for one year. If not then renewed the degree may be conferred. The objection is made in secret to the master and no investigation is permitted. An objection to the advancement of an Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft stays his progress until a hearing on the validity of the objection can be determined. Before any degree is conferred the applicant has acquired no masonic rights. An Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft is a Mason.

TROUBLES OVER MEXICO.

In 1905 Nevada recognized the Grand Lodge of Coahuila, Mexico. In correspondence over the appointment of representatives the grand master received a letter from the Coahuila grand secretary which among other things said:

Last summer and fall, the state of affairs in the Grand Lodge of Coahuila became so bad that on September 14, Torreon Lodge, the only English-speaking lodge in the jurisdiction withdrew and returned its charter. The following day, the Grand Lodge of Texas withdrew recognition.

The committee on correspondence later recommended as follows:

In the matter of the Grand Lodge of Coahuila, Mexico, approving the suggestion of the M.W. grand master in his address, we recommend that the recognition heretofore extended be withdrawn.

The same committee had before it an application for recognition by Grand Lodge Cosmos, State of Chihuahau, Mexico. Recognition was denied.

Because Belgium suppresses from her ritual the requirement of a belief in God Nevada turned the cold shoulder and refused recognition. Very correct. The Swiss Grand Lodge "Alpina" knocked for admission but met a fate similar to Belgium and Mexico. The committee gave good reasons as follows:

That as the Swiss Grand Lodge "Alpina" acknowledges recognition and fraternal relations with the Grand Orient of France, we, your committee, on account of said fraternal recognition and relations with the said Grand Orient of France, recommend that the Grand Lodge of Nevada, F. and A.M., decline to enter into correspondence, and an exchange of representatives with said Swiss Grand Lodge "Alpina."

RELATIONS WITH KENTUCKY.

A communication from the Grand Lodge of Kentucky gives notice of the right of any other state to discipline a Kentucky Mason sojourning therein, on condition that the same right be accorded to Kentucky. This rule of reciprocity is recognized by most grand lodges. The committee on jurisprudence recommended that the plan of Kentucky be approved. The grand lodge so decided and instructed the grand master to carry out the arrangement.

UNIFORM WORK.

After careful consideration the committee on work recommended the adoption of uniform work. The report was adopted. One proviso was that Carson Lodge No. 1 be exempt from using the newly adopted work. The proviso is as follows:

Provided, however, that Carson Lodge No. 1, because of the fact that it is the oldest lodge in Nevada and has maintained its present system of work for nearly forty-eight years, be permitted on account of its approaching fiftieth anniversary to continue its present work.

One lodge can furnish enough poison of irregularity to destroy the good work in all the other lodges of the state. The fact that it is the oldest lodge makes it the more dangerous as a horrible example. Other lodges will quote it as an excuse for not conforming to the standard work. Carson lodge should have been ambitious to lead in the work of uniformity.

In the roll of representatives of grand lodges present appears the name of CHARLES E. MACK, who represents Illinois.

The representative of the Grand Lodge of England reported the death of King EDWARD, past grand master of the Grand Lodge of England. No action further was taken and as a Mason the dead king was put on the same plane with the dead peasant.

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Was written by EDWARD D. VANDERLIETH, who is styled "Grand Commissioner of Review." This is something new in titles but strikes the writer as being none the less correct because it is new. The proper title is reviewer rather than correspondent. The work of Brother VANDERLIETH is of high character. The following paragraph from the introduction is offered as proof:

Your commissioner of review herewith submits the report of another trip around the masonic world. As we roamed about among the brethren, so busy for the betterment of man, we found the stars shining as of old, the same blue in the heavens, and the glow of the sunset and the rainbows of promise, aye, and men growing more kind and tolerant. We found the same old world, but a better one. We found the brethren more earnestly assisting their fellowmen to better care for themselves, pointing them to higher ideals, leading them nearer to God and closer to their fellows.

Illinois is deprived of the benefits arising from the review of this state on account of a jumble in the bindery. Pages 65 to 96 appear twice. Pages 33 to 64 do not appear at all. These latter contain the review of Illinois. Hence, it is not possible to show Illinois brethren what was said about us by Nevada. This is much to be regretted.

Grand master, JAMES C. DOUGHTY, Elko; grand secretary, CHAUNCEY N. NOTEWARE, Carson City.

NEW BRUNSWICK—1909.

37 LODGES.

42ND ANNUAL.

2,770 MEMBERS.

Although the 42nd annual communication of New Brunswick was held in August, 1909, the proceedings did not reach the desk of this reviewer until August 2, 1910. Was it a slow printer or delay in transmission? A neat little book of sixty pages tells the story.

The grand master, JOHN D. CHIPMAN, presents a brief report of his year's work. Owing to necessary absence for much of the time he was unable to visit lodges as he had intended. The financial condition of the grand lodge is better than it has ever been before.

The report of the grand treasurer shows the "Fund of Benevolence" to contain \$2,348.86.

DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE.

After considerable discussion the following was adopted:

That traveling certificates, bearing the seal of grand lodge and signed by the grand secretary be issued, on application, to the subordinate lodges, and be filled in and delivered by the lodge secretary to members desiring them.

On recommendation of the committee on foreign correspondence Oklahoma was recognized.

No report on correspondence appears.

Grand master, HENRY S. BRIDGES, St. John; grand secretary, J. TWINING HARTT, St. John.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—1909.

80 LODGES.

120TH ANNUAL.

10,058 MEMBERS.

Four specials, one semi-annual and one annual communication are recorded in the 1909 proceedings of New Hampshire. A well put together book of 463 pages contains much of interest to the craft. This volume is profuse in half-tone pictures. That of Grand Master FREDERICK W. SAWYER makes a handsome frontispiece. Eight district deputy grand masters went from labor to refreshment and their pictures ornament the proceedings. Three of the special meetings of the grand lodge are devoted to dedication of masonic halls, and one to constituting a new lodge.

TEACHING THE WORK.

In New Hampshire is held a semi-annual grand lodge and this is devoted solely to exemplifying the work of the several degrees. So far as it goes this bears a striking resemblance to the Illinois schools. Of course a single day devoted to work and its perfecting cannot compare in thoroughness with our five superb schools of three days each. In fact it is seriously doubted if any other grand jurisdiction can equal the work and instruction provided and maintained by the Grand Lodge of Illinois. Our representative, Bro. SEWALL W. ABBOTT, was present at the semi annual but not at the annual communication. The 120th annual meeting was held at Concord in May, 1909, with a full corps of grand and past grand officers.

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

Grand Master FREDERICK WILLIS SAWYER presented the business of his administration in a forceful and interesting annual address. He refers to the completion of the 120 fiscal years of the grand lodge and adds:

For a century and twenty years the beautiful principles, precepts and teachings of Masonry have been upheld, perpetuated and extended by this grand lodge in the jurisdiction of New Hampshire, and we, the Masons of the present generation, look back with feelings of just pride upon its splendid record.

My study of the beginnings of Masonry pertaining to the continent on which we live, leads me to believe that Masonry took a large part in laying the foundations of our beloved country. The great masonic principles of freedom, equality and toleration are found firmly imbedded in the foundation upon which our government was established, and they have proved to be a foundation upon which a mighty nation may securely rest.

A GREAT MEETING.

He notes with pleasure participation in his official capacity in the celebration of the 175th anniversary of St. John's Lodge of Boston. The grand masters of the thirteen original states, with one exception, were present to pay honor to the mother lodge of New England. The grand master of Nova Scotia was also in attendance.

MASONIC HOME.

The grand master reports the Masonic Home at Manchester as doing a splendid work in caring for the aged and dependent craftsmen, their wives and widows. There are eleven men and eight women members of this Home. He calls them "inmates." In Illinois we refer to them more tenderly as "members of our Masonic Home family." He adds in closing his reference to the Home that "it is the best and noblest chari-

table work in which we as Masons can engage and it is a matter of pride to us that New Hampshire was one of the first of the New England jurisdictions to engage in such work."

DECISIONS.

Four decisions were submitted and all approved.

In No. 4 the grand master holds that a brother who is initiated, "crafted" and raised does not become a member of the lodge until he signs the by-laws. Failing to do this his position in New Hampshire is that of "an unaffiliated Mason." Illinois lodges lead the candidates to the secretary's desk and require them to sign the by-laws as a part of the ceremony of the 3d degree.

The law was amended to read as follows: "No lodge shall form a public procession, funeral processions and processions for attending divine service excepted, without permission from the grand master."

The finance committee found it necessary to recommend that the grand lodge borrow \$1,000 to meet current expenses.

ANOTHER JOSEPH ROBBINS.

The report on foreign correspondence was written and presented by HARRY M. CHENEY and on motion of Bro. "JOSEPH E. ROBINS" was ordered printed with the proceedings. Except for the extra initial "E" and the loss of a "B" one might have thought our lamented JOSEPH ROBINS had found New Hampshire as his haven of rest when he went from us.

STATE LAW AGAINST FRAUDS.

The state law of New Hampshire has a wholesome provision to prevent fraudulent and clandestine bodies from assuming the organization and name of various classes of societies. This law went into effect February 24, 1909. One section is as follows:

No person, society, association or corporation shall assume, adopt or use the name of a military, ex-military, patriotic, benevolent, humane, fraternal or charitable organization, incorporated under the laws of this or any other state, or of the United States, or a name so nearly resembling the name of such incorporated organization as to be a colorable imitation thereof, or calculated to deceive persons not members, with respect to such corporation. In all cases where two or more such societies, associations or corporations claim the right to the same name, or to names substantially similar as above provided, the organization which was first organized and used the name, and first became incorporated under the laws of the United States or of any state of the Union, shall be entitled in this state to the prior and exclusive use of such name, and the rights of such societies, associations or corporations, and of their individual members shall be fixed and determined accordingly.

Violating this law constitutes a misdemeanor and is finable. The legislatures of other states have passed similar laws. It might be wise to ask the Illinois general assembly to enact a similar measure to protect legitimate organizations.

REVIEW OF ILLINOIS.

Four pages are devoted to Illinois. In referring to Brother BELL'S report this correspondent says:

For special dispensations he reports the fees received to have been \$1,250, of which \$1,100 was for the organization of eleven new lodges. Isn't \$100 charter fee for new lodges, in country villages, closely bordering on the prohibitive? In New Hampshire the fee for a dispensation is \$25, for the charter \$50. We would not make the figure cheap—making it too high is as bad. But it is none of our business; the Illinois brethren know what they are doing.

And yet with a fee of \$75 for dispensation and charter New Hampshire organized one while in Illinois with a fee of \$100 eleven new lodges were brought to light. A "country village" unable to pay a fee of \$100 is not very likely to be able to support a lodge. It has been the Illinois policy to organize as few new lodges as possible. Some grand masters have declined to issue any dispensations whatever. Yet, we have about 800 lodges and over 100,000 members.

Grand Master BELL'S position on lodges going to church as such on Easter is approved.

The oration is dismissed with these two lines:

R.W. Bro. Elmer E. Beach delivered the annual oration, his theme being, "International Brotherhood." It is a profound effort.

After quoting from Brother ROBBINS the report closes with these words:

For the exceedingly cordial handclasp and kind words, the New Hampshire correspondent is very grateful. We youngsters covet such things from such a veteran as Brother Robbins.

The grand master is FREDERICK W. SAWYER, Milford, the grand secretary, FRANK D. WOODBURY, Concord.

NEW JERSEY—1910.

186 LODGES.

123RD ANNUAL.

31,424 MEMBERS.

One of the venerable American grand lodges is New Jersey. April 21 and 22, at Trenton, was held its 123rd annual communication. The volume of proceedings has 481 pages and is one of the best printed that has come this way. Record is given of nine specials for various purposes. A fine steel engraving of the retiring grand master, J. CLARENCE CONOVER, embellishes the volume. This copy of proceedings contains the following antique "To be read in the lodges." With a full corps of officers Grand Master CONOVER convened his grand lodge in annual session. There were present twelve past grand masters, forty-eight representatives of other grand lodges, Illinois not being on the list, and the representatives of 177 lodges. Only nine were not represented. Past masters galore were noted as present.

A VIRGINIA GENTLEMAN.

R.W. Bro. WM. L. ANDREWS, deputy grand master, visited New Jersey as the chosen representative of the grand lodge of Virginia. He was accorded all the honor due his station. He made a most happy response to the welcome he received.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

A well prepared document, giving report of the business of the grand master's office, was presented by Brother CONOVER. He does not attempt flights of rhetoric or well rounded periods but is content to present a practical business aspect of the affairs of the Jersey grand lodge.

THEY MUST WAIT.

San Salvador, Nicaragua and Dominica asked recognition but the grand master put them on the waiting list. Later, on the recommendation of the committee on correspondence, they were denied recognition. New Jersey is pretty liberal in its views and has upon its list many grand bodies who cannot show a very clean score as to regularity.

DECISIONS.

The grand master says that he has made many decisions but none involved new questions necessary to be reported to the grand lodge.

ELECTIONEERING SCORCHED.

A case arose where a brother was guilty of using political methods to further his ambition for office in his lodge. The grand master severely condemns this practice and says that—

The publication and distribution of printed circulars advocating the election of any brother is so contrary to the spirit of Masonry and the traditions of our craft that its practice should be and is absolutely forbidden. This decision was approved by the grand lodge and thus became the law of this jurisdiction.

The scope of his wrath is widened as he says—

For intolerable practice it is, whether found in the subordinate lodge or in the grand lodge, and the sooner the Masons of New Jersey set their faces against it and make the wire-pulling politician ineligible to any Masonic advancement the sooner will Masonry be divested of one of its vices and lifted into the exalted sphere it should occupy, when it will be more than ever "a thing of beauty and a joy forever."

All good Masons to this will say, "Amen."

A VETERAN OF FOUR SCORE AND NINE.

Greetings were presented from M.W. Bro. CANNON, past grand master for over forty years and who is eighty-nine years old. He is feeble in body but clear in intellect and memory. A telegram of affection and remembrance was unanimously voted.

INTEREST ON DEPOSITS.

The reports of the financial officers of all funds show that interest is paid on balances in the hands of the grand treasurer and the treasurer of the home.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.

The grand master, two past grand masters, and three other grand officers of Delaware made a fraternal call and were received with the full courtesy due them and their grand lodge. Exchange of visits among grand lodges in the east is quite the fashion. By this their work is unified and their fraternal relations made closer. It is a commendable fashion. Grand Master MODE closed a brief but interesting address with these unique lines:

Here is to thee and thy folks from me and my folks,
Sure never have folks, since folks were folks, loved folks,
Like me and my folks love thee and thy folks.

THE MASONIC HOME.

The home is reported to be in a most satisfactory condition. The needs are expanding as these words from the superintendent show:

It was beyond the wildest imagination of any one that our present home would ever be found too small, but from present indications we shall have to provide additional accommodations in the near future.

During the year twenty-one have been admitted and sixteen have gone out for various causes. There are eighty-six members as against eighty-one last year. The per capita cost of maintenance is given as \$206.84. Including maintenance of property the gross cost per head is \$258.05.

NO CIPHER IN JERSEY.

That our brethren of New Jersey believe in Masonry in the head and not in the pocket is clearly shown by the adoption of the following regulation:

The use of any book, document or paper, written or printed, or in cipher, purporting to be the secret ritual of Freemasonry, is absolutely prohibited."

Sound to the core. Aside from ancient usages and binding obligations it can be truly said that no Mason can become as proficient in using a book as he can in receiving his instruction from "mouth to ear." Illinois has long stood squarely with New Jersey on the cipher ritual question.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES GREETED.

The grand master called the representatives of other grand lodges to the east and presented the greetings of New Jersey to the bodies they respectively represented.

REPORT OF REVIEWER.

The correspondence report is written by ROBERT A. SHIRREFS and embraces reviews of proceedings of seventy-one grand lodges. Illinois comes in for excellent treatment. The annual address of Grand Master BELL is summarized and the gist of it given. The reviewer says, "In his very practical address he sets forth at length much which would bear reproduction here, but for the loss of force and point under necessary abbreviation." He thus further comments on Brother BELL's report:

With the acumen of a trained counsellor, he pointed out the ineffectiveness and evasion of responsibility under the covenants of the bonds of indemnity furnished by a surety company for the grand treasurer and grand secretary, as required by law of grand lodge. He has refused to approve those submitted and offered these pertinent remarks thereon.

He then quotes the "pertinent remarks." Brother BELL's work at the Philadelphia conference is heartily approved as to the need of a national grand lodge.

AS TO BROTHER ROBBINS AND MEXICO.

In referring to the death of Brother ROBBINS the reviewer says that—

Perhaps the finest tribute that could have been paid Brother Robbins, that which he would have most appreciated, was the posthumous adoption by grand lodge of his report against the recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, in which recommendation three past grand masters concurred. A voluminous minority report by the remaining member of the special committee, also a past grand master, was submitted, and it assuredly contains all that could be urged in behalf of recognition, and both reports give prominence to and emphasize a fact generally overlooked, which is, that the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico is territorially confined to the limits of the Federal district which we understand to be analogous to our District of Columbia, and of which it is not the only claimant of jurisdiction at that.

Here is a ray of light which evidently has escaped the eagle eyes of many grand lodges. Valle de Mexico is confined to the federal district surrounding the city of Mexico and there is another claimant for Masonic sovereignty in its territory.

REGARDING BROTHER COOK.

Brother SHIRREFS refers to the work of Brother COOK in very complimentary terms. He says that—

To M.W. Brother Edward Cook was assigned the duty of completing the hardly begun task of Brother Robbins, the latter having reviewed one jurisdiction and just commenced another when the disability which ended in death came upon him. Brother Cook admits having had assistance in the work, and we congratulate him upon the efficiency of his helpers.

THE NEGRO.

He then mixes up a good deal about the negro question and re-argues it from his standpoint. While correct in his attitude he produces nothing new except the following:

Away back in 1846 the Grand Lodge of Illinois had a domestic flurry on this subject and adopted a resolution declaring its unqualified opposition to the admission of colored men to her lodges. In the list of resolutions in force four years later, no reference is made to it and we hazard the guess that it was dropped out of sight because of its offensive superfluity.

MISSES BROTHER ROBBINS.

Still referring to the race question he says:

In nothing are we so conscious of the loss of Masonic readers, few though they be, as in deprivation of an utterance in this report, on this subject, by our late lamented Brother Robbins. He was possessed of the true inwardness of that New Jersey "matter, always misunderstood and nearly always misrepresented when mentioned," and

we think it interested him so much as to have justified us in expecting a deliverance on the subject, in which he might make his readers aware that "most of the lies told about us, are not true."

The report closes with the following tribute:

We greatly prize our nearly complete file of Brother Robbin's correspondence reports, which so completely disclose his ability and excellence as a writer and his mastery of Masonic theory and practice, typifying as they do, one of those rare spirits—

"Unmoved, unshaken, unseduced, unterrified,
His loyalty he kept, his love, his zeal,
Nor number, nor example, with him wrought
To swerve from truth or change his constant mind."

The grand master is ALLTON H. SHERMAN, 104 Cleveland St., Orange. The grand secretary is BENJAMIN F. WAKEFIELD, Trenton.

NEW MEXICO—1909.

38 LODGES.

32ND ANNUAL.

2,381 MEMBERS.

New Mexico is prolific in special communications. Eleven are recorded in the proceedings under review. One "emergent" is given. At this the grand lodge buried Past Grand Master MAXIMILIAN FROST. There appears great mortality among their past grand masters. The death of two are recorded for the year before and one for this. The 32nd annual was held at Albuquerque October 18-20, 1909. A full corps of officers, present and past, were in attendance.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The grand master presents a brief and interesting address. He reports the craft as peaceful and prosperous. Among references to the fraternal dead of the year, he says: "Illinois—LOYAL L. MUNN, past grand secretary; JOSEPH ROBBINS, 'Our great counselor.'"

DISPENSATION REFUSED.

Under the head of "dispensations" the grand master reports five issued and fifteen refused. In the main a wise discrimination was exercised. Among those granted were two for lodges to attend church. The trend of thought among grand masters is to refuse to authorize lodges as such to attend churches. It is believed that this practice may lead to the introduction of sectarianism in Masonic bodies. The

grand master seemed very correct in refusing dispensations in all cases. A lodge at Dawson wanted permission to march as a lodge in a civic parade on the 4th of July. Perhaps the brethren forgot that Masonic lodges cannot appear in public except in the performance of a Masonic duty. Though intensely patriotic and loyal to government it is no part of the duty of a lodge to help make a display on any but Masonic occasions. Of course the grand master refused.

In the other case a brother asked to have the lodge called together in a special meeting to elect him to membership after he had held his dimit for months presumably to avoid payment of dues. He intended to attend the fair at Seattle, Washington, and desired to visit the so-called higher bodies as well as the lodge, but to visit the consistory he must have his lodge receipt. "His application had been received by Socorro Lodge at their last regular meeting which was on August 10th and I was requested to answer by wire, which I did as follows: 'Cannot grant your request, must ballot at a regular meeting.'" There are a good many so-called Masons that have but little use for their lodges except to receive favors or to go higher (?) in Masonry.

MANY DECISIONS.

As many as thirty-eight decisions were rendered but almost without exception they were in construction of local law and of little interest outside of New Mexico. One of these will do to rank with the freak list reported by Brother BELL. Here it is: "Can, or not, a member of a subordinate lodge cast his vote by proxy, at the annual election of officers?" The grand master was unkind enough to say that he could not.

THE MASONIC HOME SPIRIT.

Though the New Mexican brethren have less than 3,000 members they have that spirit of concern for the "worthy distressed brother" which leads them to want to provide for him and his. A committee, therefore, was named to select a site for a Masonic home. A home fund of \$6,566.40 has already been accumulated for this purpose.

FINED IF THEY DON'T.

Among the recommendations of the grand master is this: Every lodge shall be fined, unless within sixty days after the receipt of the grand lodge proceedings it shall certify, under seal of the lodge, that the same has been read in full in open lodge at a stated communication. This is something like holding a child and pouring castor oil down its throat. The medicine may be very necessary but the candy cathartic of these days beats the castor oil ways of our mothers.

The grand secretary reported the gratifying fact that all lodges had made their annual reports and paid their grand lodge dues.

IT TAKES DEATH.

The grand lodge held that where a master elect refused to serve, the grand master could not issue a dispensation to elect another. The committee said, "We believe under the by-laws of this jurisdiction that such an action can be taken only in case of vacancy in the master's office occasioned by death." But the master elect refused to be installed. Will you pour the castor oil down him, too? The Illinois law allows a dispensation in case of a master or warden becoming physically or mentally disqualified to perform the duties of his office or has permanently removed from its jurisdiction. There can be no good reason given why a lodge should be handicapped by a disqualified or absent master or warden.

A SILVER SERVICE.

The grand secretary having served twenty-five years was presented with a handsome silver service as a token of the esteem in which he was held. The retiring grand master was suitably adorned with a past grand master's jewel.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Past Grand Master JAMES H. WROTH presents a very good review of other grand lodges. It is evidently not his first work in this line. He refers to the fact that he has not always agreed with Brother ROBBINS though he speaks of our departed brother in highest terms. Six pages are given to Illinois. In referring to Brother BELL's address he says:

He presents a beautiful and touching eulogy on Brother Robbins, the dean of the correspondence corps. While it has become necessary for me at times, occupying the same position, to differ with Brother Robbins, at no time in that difference has my respect for his ability, his honesty or his pure intentions diminished. Illinois has lost one who served to bring that jurisdiction to the front; she has lost an able and brilliant writer; she has lost an honest and a true man. While, as I say, we differed and differed radically, he was one of the ablest and pleasantest writers that we had. Our sympathies go out to Illinois in her bereavement.

Liberal quotations are made from the grand master's annual address.

ABOUT MEXICO.

Brother WROTH agrees with Brother MOULTON regarding Valle de Mexico. He could scarcely do otherwise so long as his grand lodge is in

fraternal relation with what he calls "much-mixed Mexican Masonry." On the whole New Mexico is pretty free from dangerous entangling alliances with questionable grand orients and other things parading as Masonic. Only one other needs to be questioned according to Illinois standards. That is Costa Rico. The French and Spanish speaking bodies will bear close and critical consideration.

Although our record so states Egypt was not recognized by the grand lodge of Illinois at its 1909 meeting. It was a mistake of the printer or somebody else. The resolution regarding Egypt was referred to the committee on correspondence to report in 1910.

BROTHER COOK'S REPORT.

His comment on Brother COOK's report on correspondence is brief but comprehensive. He says that "the foreign correspondence report under the management of Brother COOK keeps up the reputation of Illinois." Liberal quotations are then made from the report.

The grand master is FRANK JOHNSON, San Marcial. The grand secretary is ALPHEUS A. KEEN, Albuquerque.

NEW SOUTH WALES—1909.

223 LODGES.

21ST ANNUAL.

13,768 MEMBERS.

This book of proceedings contains report of the doings of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales as follows: Special, July 21, 1908; quarterly, September 9, 1908; quarterly, December 9, 1908; quarterly, March 10, 1909; special, June 8, 1909; quarterly, June 9, 1909.

Regular meetings are held at the Masonic Hall, Sidney. The business transacted is reported in such a way as to make it difficult to review so that those outside would find much of interest.

GRAND MASTER PROCLAIMED.

The first business was to proclaim the election of M.W. Bro. RAWSON grand master for the fourth time. Brother RAWSON is the governor of the province and sails under the titles of "His Excellency M.W. Bro. Admiral Sir HARRY HOLDSWORTH RAWSON, G.C.B." If the duties of this distinguished brother are equal in weight and extent to his designa-

tion, it is no wonder that he apologizes for his inability to give all the time he would to the duties of grand master.

Under their system the deputy grand master is the man of action and is named by the grand master.

BELIEVES IN PASSING HONORS AROUND.

In his address at the meeting in July, 1908, the grand master says:

I have always held very strong opinions upon one subject, namely the length of time that brethren should occupy the higher offices in the craft. There are very few of these higher offices and therefore comparatively few of the brethren can attain to them. For that reason I should like to see a limit placed upon them, so much so that in private lodges I should like to see a rule that no worshipful master could hold the chair more than two years in succession, and that in grand lodge the grand master and the deputy grand master should limit the time of their holding office for three years. I have such strong opinions on this matter that I fully intended to retire, and not to allow myself to be nominated, or rather my name to be brought forward, as a candidate this year for the grand master's chair. But there were certain reasons that caused me to act otherwise. The deputy grand master, holding the same views as myself upon this subject, last year formally offered his resignation as deputy grand master.

In the later meetings Brother RAWSON severs his connection with the grand lodge as he leaves for England. Evidently the brethren of New South Wales had valid reason to appreciate his good work and regret his departure.

GOOD-BYE AND GODSPEED.

Deputy Grand Master MONTGOMERIE HAMILTON presented to the departing grand master a loving cup of Australian gold, made by Australian workmen and enclosed in a case made of Australian wood. This was followed by the presentation of a bracelet for his daughter, Miss RAWSON. This was also of Australian workmanship and of Australian gems.

Grand Master RAWSON responded in a most feeling and appropriate address. A farewell poem written by Wm. H. ORE, who signs himself as "grand bard," is a fitting close to the exercises in honor of the departing grand master.

THE SUCCESSION.

LORD CHELMSFORD, the new governor of the province, was nominated for grand master. A point was raised as to his eligibility. This was not considered as the name was withdrawn as soon as another nomination was made. When the election came on, Bro. MONTGOMERIE HAMILTON was duly elected. Brother HAMILTON was deputy grand master and had been the acting grand master for some time. His election, therefore, seemed most fitting. Brother HAMILTON reports being present at

the installation of THOMAS GIBSON CARMICHAEL, governor of Victoria, as grand master of that province. Brother CARMICHAEL is a distinguished Mason, having been grand master of Scotland before coming to Australia. The custom of making the governors of the provinces grand masters of the several grand lodges makes it rather "tough sledding" for resident Masons who may have a laudable ambition to preside over these grand bodies.

WORKS OF CHARITY.

New South Wales has been generous in performing its duty toward a worthy distressed brother. Its board of benevolence reports many benefactions to Masons throughout the world. There were 291 applications for relief and 267 were assisted. In addition to this its extensive hospital service has taken considerable of its funds set apart for charity. Queen Victoria Hospital for consumptives, the Royal Alexander Hospital for Children, Sydney Hospital, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Carrington Centennial Home for Convalescents and Sanatorium for Consumptive Women are given as recipients of grand lodge benefactions.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

This review was written by Bro. THOS. L. ROWBOTHAM, who for five years has been chairman of this committee. Most reviews are brief but Illinois has no reason to complain. Two and a half pages are devoted to a mere recital of the work of our grand lodge for 1908.

The report of our late Brother ROBBINS is merely referred to and those portions relating to New South Wales quoted.

Grand master, MONTGOMERIE HAMILTON; grand secretary, ARTHUR H. BRAY, Masonic Hall, Sydney.

NEW YORK—1910.

791 LODGES.

129TH ANNUAL.

163,341 MEMBERS.

Speaking of big things reminds one of New York. It has the largest membership and it may be pardoned if it indulges in a "Jumbo" book of proceedings to tell its interesting story for 1910. In his review last year Brother COOK called attention to its 735 pages, but in 1910 it takes 928. Illinois has been somewhat noted for the size of its proceedings. Its 636 pages, however, look rather diminutive by the side of New York's mammoth book of nearly 1,000. However, New York is kind to the printer and allows him to use large type, leaded, and "make fat" in

numerous other ways. Illinois does not aspire to cope with its only larger sister in size of its printed reports.

A STRIKING DIFFERENCE.

One fact by way of comparison. New York has 791 lodges and a membership of 163,341. In Illinois there were at the last report 770 lodges and a membership of 95,629. New York had only twenty-one more lodges than in this state and yet had 67,712 more members. There must be a great many very large lodges in the "Empire state" and very few small ones.

The 129th annual session was held in the city of New York on May 3, 1910. There were present the usual number of grand officers, representatives and other dignitaries.

TO BE GOOD AT ANY COST.

It requires twelve grand chaplains to keep them in proper spiritual condition. By this a good many are able to affix the title, "R.W.," to their names. There is a profusion in other appointive grand officers, perhaps made attractive for the same reason. There are some new positions in their roster. The grand historian presents the original record of twenty-five lodges each year and his report is printed.

Another officer is the "judge advocate." He is a hard working official if one can judge by the extensive reports he publishes. His duties are as the legal adviser of the grand master. At the session under review a new code of laws and the many constructions, made necessary thereby, required a very considerable volume of labor by the grand master's attorney general.

LAVISH IN RECOGNITION.

Representatives of sixty-nine grand lodges were recorded as present. Bro. DELBERT GREENE, who represents Illinois, answered to roll call. New York is very lavish in her recognition of other grand lodges. No less than fifteen grand bodies which are not recognized by Illinois bear fraternal relations with them.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

SAMUEL N. SAWYER presented his annual report as grand master. It is very interesting and filled with the details of a busy year. He reports progress, peace and prosperity. He says that:

Never in the history of the world have the auguries for the future been so bright as those which surround this, the one hundred and twenty-ninth communication of the grand lodge.

We meet undisturbed by the clang of arms or the rude alarms of war: we meet mid scenes of comfort and material prosperity: we meet

secure in the knowledge that men dwell in mutual toleration—that life and liberty are safe—that God reigns; that the world indeed grows better.

These are good words well spoken.

In his list of the "fraternal dead" he notes the loss of M.W. Bro. JOSEPH ROBBINS.

WITH BROTHER BELL.

In referring to the Baltimore conference the grand master quotes in full the resolution presented by Past Grand Master BELL on the "National Grand Lodge," and gives it unqualified approval. Of the points submitted at the Philadelphia conference Brother SAWYER says that all except two are the law of New York. One of these is of little consequence. He favors the five-year rule in jurisdiction over rejected material. Until recently New York held to the dogma of perpetualism. When it changed it swung to the other extreme and made the time one year. He says that much friction and trouble arise over this and wants to see it changed to five years.

A REFORM NEEDED.

The system of exchange of representatives with other grand lodges he thinks is obsolete and should be reformed. His members clamor for appointment as representatives because it allows them to write "R.W." before their names. As there is no limit to the term of representative, and as few die and none resign, the grand master is embarrassed by their importunities. It would seem that there should be some change regarding these almost useless appendages. In Illinois there appear to be few duties and little recognition of those who are supposed to be ambassadors to the masonic grand lodge court. Why not make their terms definite and give them at least passing notice at each session of the grand lodge? As the representative near the Illinois grand body does not acquire any particular titular distinction there is no such wild scramble for the place as the grand master of New York reports.

A BIG HOME.

One of the largest populated masonic homes in this country is found at Utica, New York. The superintendent reports 201 men, 110 women, 35 boys and 57 girls, making a total of 403 members. The oldest member is ninety-five and the youngest two. To care for these it requires sixty-nine persons as employes. Of this number forty reside in the Home and the remainder in buildings provided on the farm. The current expenses for one year are \$79,167.87 showing a per capita cost of \$200.92. The products of the farm were valued at \$9,729.58. The expense of the farm was \$9,841.13 or a surplus of only \$188.72.

The children attend the public schools of Utica. This accords with our practice. It is said that "their school reports show them the equal of any and that the children of the Home are in many respects the best of all under their supervision." The same is said of our children from the Illinois Masonic Home in Chicago.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR HELP.

There is need of manual training and domestic science at the Home. The Grand Commandery, K.T., has undertaken to give annually five cents per member and this will be used to provide the needed facilities. Illinois Templars and Royal Arch Masons might easily take up some such work in connection with our two homes. They would feel a new thrill of good service to others as our grand lodge has felt since it undertook the great work of caring for our dependent brethren, their wives, widows and orphans.

A BIG TEMPLE AND A BIG DEBT.

The New York grand lodge has a big lot of property in the metropolis. Last year it came out with a deficit of \$38,000 which was made good out of the general funds. Our eastern brethren went at it right. They first provided for the needy, worthy brother and then started in for a big temple building. If they care to struggle with such a problem they are entitled to do so. The grand lodge, to help the temple finances along, agreed to pay \$7,000 rent annually for their office equipment. A more modest appearance would be cheaper and might be quite as effective.

The grand treasurer reports among other sources of revenue interest on daily balances of grand lodge funds.

MUST PAY TAXES.

The masonic board of relief of the city of New York is in a healthy condition. There is a balance of \$23,255.13 on hand after liberal expenditures for the year. One item of expense is \$325.04 for taxes. It seems queer that the taxing authorities should feel it necessary to lay a burden on organizations with a single purpose of helping those who would otherwise become a charge on the public. Funds for such purposes ought to be free from taxes.

ALL BY ACCLAMATION.

A most harmonious condition undoubtedly exists so far as rivalry for office is concerned. All officers in line were advanced and, including the junior grand warden were elected by acclamation. In Illinois a complete

ballot must be taken even where there is but one person presented for a station. No nominating committee is ever appointed and no election by acclamation is ever permitted. It is true that nominations are made. Merely the name is suggested and that without a word of comment. Usually those in line are promoted every two years. Then there is a friendly contest for junior grand warden. Even with but one person named for any office the full ballot must be taken, the votes counted and the result announced in due form. It is easily possible that one not in nomination should be elected grand master or to any other station. No chance in this plan for setting up schemes or defeating the will of the brethren.

A SURPRISE PARTY.

While the grand lodge was at recess on May 4 the hall was appropriated as shown by the following paragraph from the proceedings.

When the grand master and associate grand lodge officers entered the hall they found the galleries occupied by ladies and the great hall filled to its utmost capacity. R.W. Robert Judson Kenworthy, deputy grand master, announced from the platform that the grand master would now receive his children, whereupon the doors were opened and the children of the Home, ninety-two in number, in age from two to seventeen, formed the processional singing "Ancient of Days," as they entered the hall and took their places on the platform.

A fine program then followed by the children. Great enthusiasm prevailed among the members of the grand lodge over the work of the children in the Home. Over \$17,000 were donated to help the work of the children. This came as a spontaneous outburst after their visit. How would it do for Brother BASSETT to surprise our grand lodge with a visit from his large family?

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

The review of grand lodges was made by JOHN W. JENKINS, chairman of the committee on correspondence. He alludes to the fact that it is his "first offense" and modestly takes his seat at the foot of the table as a learner. However, he need not blush for his work will easily rank with many of the veteran reviewers. The writer will be glad if he can as easily and successfully become adjusted to the harness as the brother from New York. After going over the list of grand lodges in fraternal relation with Brother JENKINS' grand lodge, the writer was surprised to find that any other grand bodies, assuming to be masonic, had failed of the O. K. of New York.

REFUSES SOME.

He recommends that recognition be deferred for Nicaragua, Grand Orient do Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, Portugal, San Domingo, San Sal-

vador, Grand Orient of Greece and Grand Orient of Italy. It seems a little late for them to be "choosey." The opinion is here ventured that if Brother JENKINS had been on the tripod, heretofore, more discrimination would have been exercised. A single, brief paragraph from his review of Valle de Mexico shows symptoms of doubt as to the wisdom of recognizing this Mexican body. Here is what he says after quoting the ups and downs of Valle de Mexico:

There is more, but we refrain from publishing it. We simply quote the above that those who are interested in Masonry in Mexico may know something of the conditions in that country and judge for themselves as to the action of our own grand lodge in recognizing the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico.

ABOUT ILLINOIS.

Considering the brief space taken by the reviewer the four pages devoted to Illinois seems quite generous. He says that:

The "ponderous tome" that is necessary to record the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Illinois is in keeping with the size of the jurisdiction, and indicative of the activity of our Illinois brethren.

Thirty-six pages of the proceedings are necessary to tell the story of Grand Master Bell's administration, and every page is interesting.

He approves Brother BELL's action in refusing to lay a corner-stone where masonic conditions did not prevail. With Brother BELL's attitude toward a "National Grand Lodge," he was in accord.

HAS SOMETHING TO LEARN.

Our New York brother evidently lacks considerable knowledge about the widely known Masonic Temple of Chicago. The reason that the darkey gave for calling his son Julius Cæsar was "dat is his name." That is the only reason why the great commercial building in Chicago is a masonic temple. That is its name. It never was in any other sense more masonic than dozens of other sky-scrapers in the windy city. Some Masons owned stock in the corporation and some lost money thereby. The following gave rise to the preceding comment. Brother JENKINS says:

The grand master was impressed with the "splendid temple in Philadelphia owned by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania," and urged the establishment of a home for the Grand Lodge of Illinois. It comes as a surprise to the writer to learn that the Grand Lodge of Illinois has "met in theaters and music halls and have drifted about from place to place," as we had supposed that the Masonic Temple in Chicago was its permanent abiding place. We certainly think that the second largest grand lodge in the country should have a home of its own, and we wish it all the success possible in its work to secure the same.

The reviewer tells about our battle over Mexico but expresses no opinion.

BROTHER COOK'S REPORT.

Regarding the report on correspondence he says:

The initial offering of Bro. Edward Cook is an excellent one. To follow one who had achieved such a reputation as a masonic writer as Past Grand Master Robbins was no slight task, and yet his successor has no reason to feel ashamed of his work.

Quotation is then made to prove Brother Cook's modesty. He only finds one fault. The report is so long that it is not likely to be read. He thinks "the short, crispy reports" secure best attention. He then suggests something closely akin to an apology:

We fear that we may be considered inconsistent in giving so much space to our brethren of Illinois after what we have said concerning the beauty of brevity in these reports, but there is so much in the proceedings of this grand jurisdiction that it is not a question of what to say, but rather what *not* to say in connection therewith.

We congratulate Brother Cook on his report and trust that we may have the privilege of reading many more of them and exchanging thoughts and ideas freely and fraternally, and when we go to Chicago next August as the representative of the Grand Commandery of the State of New York, we hope to meet him "face to face" and tell him what we think of him.

The grand master is ROBERT J. KENWORTHY, Brooklyn; the grand secretary is EDWARD M. L. EHLERS, New York City.

NEW ZEALAND—1909.

159 LODGES.

20TH ANNUAL.

10,020 MEMBERS.

The Grand Lodge of New Zealand convened in its 20th annual communication at New Plymouth May 5, 1909, with M.W. Bro. WILLIAM LEE PLUNKET, grand master, "on the throne," and a full corps of grand officers in their stations.

GOOD TO BE AN AMERICAN.

The grand master is the provincial governor and variously alluded to in the proceedings as "LORD PLUNKET," "his excellency" and "Baron." It requires so much labor, time and space to give all the titles and distinctions shown by our British and provincial brethren that it appears as a genuine relief to be an American.

New Zealand indulges in a doublet. The proceedings are found in a book of 182 pages. "The review of correspondence and gleanings from the proceedings of sister jurisdictions" fill another book of 138 pages, the two being pagged consecutively from 1 to 320.

The book of proceedings is mainly concerned with the details of the session, much of which being so local in character as to be of little interest outside. The debates are reported with the gist of the speeches made on the most unimportant questions. This is no doubt of thrilling interest to the New Zealanders but to the reviewer is of slight concern.

RELATIONS STILL STRAINED.

The one subject of general import is the strained relations still existing between the Grand Lodges of Scotland and England and the Australasian colony. It seems very hard for the mother country to let go. New Zealand being autonomous, the organization regular and being almost universally recognized certainly ought to be given a free hand without interference and embarrassment from the mother grand lodge of the world. It certainly is to be hoped that these ripples on the fraternal waters may speedily be allowed to sink into that calm of peace and concord characteristic of Freemasonry.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The address of the grand master at the close of his installation ought to have much weight in adjusting the vexed relations. He says:

I do not intend tonight discussing the negotiations which are taking place between ourselves and the Grand Lodges of England and Scotland, but I think the dignified and firm, yet moderate manner in which our case is stated in the report of the Board of General Purposes should commend itself to all fair-minded members of the craft. In connection with the English grand lodge, I anticipate that Lord Onslow will be of great assistance in urging our views, and in the case of Scotland I feel true fraternal feelings towards colonial constitutions have been brought closer now that a past grand master of Scotland is grand master of the Grand Lodge of Victoria.

Our representative, R.W. Bro. M. McLEAN, was not present but conveyed the good wishes of Illinois by letter.

POET LAUREATE.

R.W. Bro. Powley said that during the past year, for the third time in the history of Freemasonry, a masonic poet laureate had been elected, and had been crowned in America. The first poet laureate was Robert Burns, the second was Robert Morris, and the present one was R.W. Bro. Fay Hempstead, grand secretary of Arkansas. He thought it would be a graceful act to forward the congratulations of grand lodge to the new poet laureate. He therefore moved: "That the hearty con-

gratulations of this grand lodge be accorded to R.W. Bro. Fay Hempstead upon the honour which has been conferred upon him by the masonic grand lodges throughout America and by some of the foreign jurisdictions." There had been four candidates for the honour, and Bro. Fay Hempstead had received 161 votes out of 169.

As the election originated in Illinois and the coronation was by our Sucker State brethren this recognition is of much interest.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

The report on foreign correspondence is made by P.G.M. MALCOLM NICCOL, grand secretary. It is an excellent review. Illinois fares well at his hands. He says that:

The Grand Lodge of Illinois is the second largest in America, and the magnitude of its operations may be conceived when we mention that the net increase in membership for last year was nearly five thousand; that the appropriations from the general fund for the year amount to \$36,000, and that their expenditure in charity runs into \$40,000 to \$50,000 per annum.

SOME LAW.

In New Zealand "a brother excluded for non-payment of dues must pay up and pass the ordinary ballot as a joining member before he can be restored to membership."

OUR LODGES LAPSE.

The correspondent draws a comparison unfavorable to our grand lodge by saying that of the 901 lodges chartered by Illinois 140 have become defunct. In his grand lodge during nineteen years 160 lodges have been chartered "all of which are still alive and kicking vigorously, so that New Zealand can pat itself on the back." He thinks we need the "patent wheel brakes" on organization of new lodges by requiring the consent of the three most interested. That is our law, good brother.

The following shows that he does not know Brother BELL. No one ever charged him with being timid:

Grand Master Bell, of Illinois, seems somewhat timid in regard to his undoubted prerogative of granting or withholding a charter, and would like to be always supported by constitutional law.

He then accuses Brother BELL of being a stickler for more law merely because he is a member of the legal fraternity.

OUR HOMES.

Our Homes are mentioned as well managed and the correspondent adds:

We notice with satisfaction, however, that the policy of placing children in family households has been successfully inaugurated.

BROTHER BEACH'S ORATION.

Of the oration the writer says:

We have read and enjoyed the oration delivered by R.W. Bro. Elmer E. Beach upon the big subject of adjustment of international disputes by appeal to reason, instead of brute force; but the speech does not lend itself to whittling, or we would have taken a few chips from it.

FALLS INTO ERROR.

Brother NICCOL falls into an error in taking a pending amendment regarding a new method of voting for the law. If he will take the trouble to refer to page 157 of the proceedings for 1909 he will see that the amendment was not adopted.

In two lines and a brief quotation pertaining to their differences with the Grand Lodge of Scotland the report of Brother ROBBINS is dismissed.

The grand master is WILLIAM LEE PLUNKET and the grand secretary is MALCOLM NICCOL, Swanson street, Auckland.

 NORTH CAROLINA—1910.

375 LODGES.

123RD ANNUAL.

20,014 MEMBERS.

The 123rd annual session of the grand lodge of North Carolina held at Raleigh, January 11, 1910 was filled with important business. It takes 542 printed pages to tell the story. Among representatives of other grand lodges present is found Bro. LEO. D. HEARTT who stands for and upholds the dignity of Illinois.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The annual report of the grand master, M.W. Bro. SAMUEL M. GATTIS, is a strong and sensible document. An extract will be of interest:

The true Freemason is an optimist. His mission is to spread the doctrines of liberty, equality and fraternity. During the past twelve months great strides have been made in the dissemination and application of these doctrines. The world is coming more and more to believe that every man should be given an equal chance before the law. That arch despot, Abdul Hamid, Sultan of Turkey, has been compelled to abdicate and give up his throne by the liberal ideas of a younger generation of Turks; another, the Shah of Persia, has been forced to seek shelter under the protecting agis of the tottering military despotism

of Russia, and still another, Zelaya, has just been compelled to take refuge from a plundered and outraged populace on a war vessel of a neighboring republic. Even in staid old Britain we see entrenched privilege and caste compelled to fight for very existence against a thoroughly aroused and enraged commons, clamoring for an equalization of the burdens of taxation. These are all striking illustrations of the growth of the doctrine of a square deal for every living human being, in which Masons all rejoice.

He reports great growth and prosperity and says that "the blessings of heaven seem literally to have rested upon us during the past year." The number of Masons has increased more than in any previous year in their history.

DECISIONS.

Only five decisions are reported and these of little general interest. In one case a candidate refused to "swear" but was willing to "affirm."

The master of the lodge decided that this was not sufficient and had the candidate removed. The grand lodge sustained the master. In merely affirming there is no recognition of God and this is an essential in Masonry. In another decision it is disclosed that in certain cases members who have taken dimitts are still allowed to vote in their lodges. A dimit is only another name for dismissal. When a member is dismissed from membership by what token can he be allowed to vote on matters coming before a lodge of which he is no longer a member?

"Is gambling a Masonic offense?" was answered "Yes."

THE TEMPLE DEBT AND THE HOMES.

After expressing pride in the possession of a beautiful and costly home for the grand lodge the grand master says:

The income derived from the Temple, after the debt has been lifted, will go toward the support of the Oxford Orphan Asylum and the Masonic Home. The sooner this debt is paid the sooner will these noble charities be permitted to receive this income.

This debt in its various forms mounts up to \$115,400, a pretty good load for 20,000 Masons to carry.

From this it is seen that this venerable grand lodge has chosen to provide for itself all the splendor of a home. At the same time the aged and indigent brother is left without a place "to lay his head." Many excellent grand lodges reverse this order. They first relieve the worthy distressed brother and then if they have anything left provide comforts for themselves. This would seem to be the real Masonic order. With a rather limited membership the "old north state" finds a

struggle to build and equip a home for the aged. The Oxford Orphan Asylum has been running for many years. It is a mixed charity. The state of North Carolina appropriates \$10,000 and the grand lodge puts up \$3,000. The remainder necessary for the maintenance of the Orphanage comes from the lodges, the Eastern Star, schools, churches and Sunday schools. This plan has worked well, notwithstanding its heterogeneity of support. There were on the rolls a membership on November 1, 1909, 164 girls and 160 boys, a total of 324.

The committee fittingly says:

Today the Oxford Orphan Asylum stands as a monument to the wisdom of those good men and Masons who were instrumental in its establishment. All honor to the liberality of the good people of North Carolina, who, without prejudice of party or creed, have contributed so liberally to its support, and God bless the hundreds of little orphans who have found shelter and parental treatment within the walls of our noble institution.

THE EASTERN STAR.

The grand master is in love with the Eastern Star. The institution is meant and not its individual membership. Hear him:

This organization, composed of mothers, sisters, wives and daughters of Masons and Master Masons in good standing is growing in numbers and influence in this state. Wherever an Eastern Star lodge is formed Masonry receives a new impetus. Woman has ever been foremost in relieving suffering and distress. The women in this order are engaged in works of benevolence and charity. I recommend this organization to the favorable consideration of the Masons of North Carolina.

All this correspondent has to say against this is, "Amen."

MASONIC AND LEGAL RESIDENCE.

In a case coming from Indiana the question of residence arises:

While on this point I desire to call attention to the position which the Grand Lodge of North Carolina has taken on this question, which seems to me to be contrary to Masonic law and usage, as construed in nearly all other jurisdictions, a notable exception being the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia. Grand Master Royster and Grand Master Winston both held that Masonic residence and legal residence were the same, but the committee on jurisprudence reported adversely on this ruling of Grand Master Winston, and held that Masonic residence means the "actual *bona fide* place of living," and this was approved by the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. I am of the opinion that the Grand Lodge of North Carolina was in error in this construction, but, as it was the action of the Grand Lodge, I felt it was my duty to uphold it.

North Carolina stands with Illinois for perpetual jurisdiction over rejected material.

The law of North Carolina specifically denies the grand master the right to make Masons at sight even though the 8th Landmark says that "It is the prerogative of the grand master to make Masons at sight."

THE ORATION.

One of the really good things of the grand lodge was the oration by Bro. J. B. CARYLE. If space permitted many extracts might be given with profit. The theme was "Light and Love." Here is one gem:

A perusal of history discloses the fact that in every contest for the spread of human freedom, for the enlargement of man's vision, for the preservation and dissemination of learning among people, in every battle where the rights of man and the hopes of the race were at stake, Masonry's votaries stood in the front rank of the leaders. In the darkest hours of the Middle Ages, when it seemed that Christianity was doomed to fall before the rising tide of vice; when it seemed that learning's torch would fade forever from the earth, Masons kept the altar fires burning at the shrine of light and the voice of truth from being forever stilled. More light—to battle for the rights of man—this the cry they raised—whether against the denunciation of an impotent pope or the senseless rage of an ignorant mob.

The men who settled the shores of America came from England, Scotland, Germany and France, countries in which the spirit of Masonry was strongest. They came seeking an asylum and an arena—an asylum to protect them from civil and ecclesiastical oppression, and an arena for the development of their God-given qualities and their glorious destiny. In each case the sublime Masonic principle of light was their guiding star.

Here is another:

But light without love is a consuming fire. Light linked with love is an irresistible force. Paternalism in government carried to its fullest development means despotism. Individualism carried to *its* fullest development produces anarchy. Between these two extremes stands fraternalism, neutralizing the faults of each and preserving the excellencies of both. The essence of fraternalism is love.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Bro. JOHN A. COLLINS presents his 14th annual report. He finds the Masonic world at peace. The only irritation among grand bodies is on account of the dogma of perpetual jurisdiction. As a prophet he predicts that within a few years there will be practical unanimity even here. The annual report of Grand Master BELL is highly commended and liberal quotations made from it. He says that "the fullest report of the Philadelphia conference of grand masters which we have seen is that from Grand Master BELL."

VALLE DE MEXICO.

Concerning the action of our grand lodge in declining to recognize Mexico, Brother COLLINS says:

The very able report of the committee on correspondence in a resolution submitted for the recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was adopted by the grand lodge, and was adverse to recognition. A minority report of considerable length was presented by Past Grand Master George M. Moulton favoring recognition of the Mexican Grand Lodge, and a strong effort was made to substitute this minority report for that of the committee, but it failed. With the death of Brother Robbins, who was a stern opponent of the hybrid Masonry of Mexico, it may be that in a year or two those who advocate the claims of Valle de Mexico may control the grand lodge, and cause it to reverse itself on this question. We shall see.

Our brother from the south should bear in mind that under the tutelage of our great Brother ROBBINS there are many who learned lessons of true ancient craft Masonry. Those who sat at the feet of this Gamaliel will not soon forget what it takes to constitute pure and unadulterated regularity necessary for recognition. Clandestine bodies will receive short shrift until they prove themselves of legitimate parentage and worthy of reception into the great Masonic family of Illinois. Brother ROBBINS is gone but the soundness of his teaching will live after him.

REGARDING BROTHER COOK'S REPORT.

Concerning the report on correspondence Brother COLLINS says:

On recommendation of the committee on correspondence, Bro. EDWARD COOK, the Grand Lodge of Holland was recognized as a regular and sovereign Masonic body.

Owing to the failing health of Brother Robbins the grand master appointed Bro. Edward Cook to the position of committee on correspondence, and judging by this initial report he is a worthy successor to the dead Mason, who by his labors has made the Grand Lodge of Illinois illustrious, and has made symbolic Masonry his debtor.

Brother Cook can be as pungent and as direct as his predecessor, as for instance, this criticism upon the action of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina at its session of 1909 in deciding between rival claimants for authority in the Scottish Rite.

He then quotes the "pungent" comments made by Brother Cook.

The grand master is RICHARD N. HACKETT, Wilkesboro. The grand secretary is JOHN C. DREWRY, Raleigh.

NORTH DAKOTA—1909.

93 LODGES.

20TH ANNUAL.

7,137 MEMBERS.

The 20th annual session was convened in the Masonic Temple in the city of Grand Forks on Tuesday, June 22, 1909. M.W. Bro. SYLVESTER J. HILL, grand master, presiding.

In a neatly printed volume of but ninety-three pages the story of a most interesting session is told. A rather striking picture of the grand master adorns the first page. The stern features of a forceful face indicate a man who would be grand *master*.

An early motion invited "all Master Masons, resident and sojourning," to attend the various sessions. In Illinois no special invitation is considered necessary—all Master Masons who can pass the tyler's scrutiny are admitted at all times.

The committee on credentials found all grand officers except the grand chaplain at their respective places and stations. Eight past grand masters and three past grand treasurers are on the roll. Representatives of thirty grand lodges were present; among these appears Bro. E. GEORGE GUTHRIE, who stands for Illinois.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The address of Grand Master SYLVESTER J. HILL opened with these strikingly pertinent words:

"What mean ye by these ceremonies?" is a question which dates far back in the history of man, and we too may well ask what significance our ceremonies have for us. If Masonry means for us only that we can, like the parrot, repeat the phrases which we have heard over and over again, without its lessons sinking deeply into our hearts and influencing our lives for good, then indeed have we labored in vain and spent our strength for that which is naught; but I am persuaded that this is not all; for all about us we see lives made better, characters made stronger, and new hopes inspired by the teachings which come to us in our work, and we may each receive new courage for life's battles.

It has been said that "wherever a civilized community exists, there Freemasonry is to be found, shedding its benign influence and scattering its moral precepts, calling into action the intellectual powers of man, and teaching him his dependence on God, and his duty toward his fellows," and our own jurisdiction has been no exception to the rule.

By this it may be easily inferred that while ritual and ceremony are important they are not everything.

After noting the passing of Past Grand Master GEORGE L. MCGREGOR from labor to eternal rest Brother HILL passes into a critical review of

the activities of the year. It was a busy one and substantial growth and progress are to be seen on every page.

DECISIONS.

Only two decisions are noted. The first was where an Entered Apprentice found charges pending when he presented himself for advancement. He generously offered to "withdraw" if the lodge would return the fee. In answer to the question, "Can the lodge accept his proposition?" the grand master clinched the case by this uncompromising reply:

No. The lodge has no more right to compound such a case than would an individual in the criminal courts. If the provisions of the code have been carried out, the case must proceed; the brother, if innocent should be cleared; on the other hand, if guilty should not be left in good standing as an E.A. can neither dimit nor "withdraw."

The decision was approved.

The report of the grand treasurer shows a healthy financial condition.

A VERSATILE GRAND SECRETARY.

The grand secretary appears to have combined the functions of the scribe, the grand master, historian and symbologist. In over fifteen closely printed pages he discusses and analyzes almost every subject from Pythagoras to the non-payment of dues. Hear ye him!

The 47th problem of Euclid's first book is the most important of all symbols in Masonry; for in it are concealed more of ancient symbolism than all the other symbols used by, or incident to our order. The demonstration of this problem by Pythagoras is what the world has today, but, doubtless, he only wrote what was well known to the Egyptians. In the different bases of the triangle, we find the measurement employed by the Babylonian, and Assyrians, the Egyptians, the Hebrews, as well as the Greeks and Romans. In it we find concealed the jewels of the worshipful master, the senior and junior wardens. In the classic form, with two perfect squares with corners impinging on the lower square, lies the conception of the apron of the Master Mason and the square of the master, as well as the tau square, the proper jewel of the grand master. In the tau square, or cross, we also find the *crux ansata*, the sacred symbol of the Egyptians, as well as the cross of Christian faith. Circumscribe a circle around the three perfect squares from a point at the center of the top line of the bottom square, the circumferential line will touch each corner of the three squares, and thus we get the circle of eternity with materiality, or form within. This is the foundation of the equilateral triangle, and other symbols within the circle. The two perpendicular lines of the lower square, represent the lines wherein we depict our patron saints. The lines of the top and bottom are symbols but indefinitely explained, perhaps referring to the physical boundaries of the earth as anciently believed.

If that is not "going some" in a report of a grand secretary what is it?

NOT EXHAUSTED YET.

But this is not all. After a few dry details usually characteristic of such reports Brother THOMPSON turns loose on the "Grand Orient of Turkey" and thus places him on his totem-pole for adoration:

Out of the foam of the sea, Aphrodite was born. The wind, and the waves, and the storms created the foam, and the sweetest sentiment of the human heart, love, came forth, and they called her Aphrodite. Seven hundred years ago, a wandering tribe of Semitics made their home on the plains of Central Asia. They were restless, marauding, untractable, unconquerable, and independent. The Mongols drove them out through Persia to Armenia, and they founded, after years of struggle, the Ottoman Empire. The turbulence of Central Asia marks the history of these people, and the Romans called the outlying tribes of this race Saracens, because they were restless and would settle to no definite purpose and preyed upon their boundary. They resisted the flower of Europe, and, while conquered for a time, reconquered possessions lost, preserved the Turkish domain, and they, like the wind and the waves, have lashed the shores of centuries, and the foam of a better and higher thought has come out of the last storm, and fraternity was born, and they called it Freemasonry, the Grand Orient of Turkey. And this new-born creature extends its hands to the masonic world and asks for recognition. We do not know how well others have responded to the call, but we do believe that, whether or not the spirit be clothed with all the trappings of Occidental conservatism, we should heed these brethren, and extend to them our fraternal good-will, and welcome them into the newer light.

And this is only a small part. A page devoted to Solomon's temple makes the traditional wise man turn over in his grave and wonder what kind of a house he built. If Brother CUTTER should ever get tired of keeping the records and giving facts and figures in his reports he might rival the gifted grand secretary of North Dakota in "figgers" of speech. But he won't.

ORATORICAL CONTEST.

Our brethren of the west like oratory. A contest was conducted for a prize offered by the Grand Lodge of North Dakota. RICHARD E. WENZEL gets his young and handsome face printed as the winner of the first prize awarded in the state inter-collegiate oratorical contest April 9, 1909.

MASONIC HOME.

In line with most grand lodges steps have been taken looking to the establishment of a Masonic Home. A fund of \$1,559.35 has been accumulated and is increased each year. The brethren appear to be going carefully in this direction. With a membership of but 7,000 such progress cannot be made as in Illinois where we have almost 100,000. With the small sum of 35 cents from each member for the charity fund our two homes are easily maintained. Of course in securing grounds, buildings and equipment a considerable sum from the general fund has been

necessary. With the vastly smaller membership such result would not be possible and yet the demands would only be in proportion to membership.

PARLIAMENTARY TACTICS.

A motion to reconsider was by vote laid on the table. This looks rather strange in a masonic body. Sharp parliamentary turns are generally considered un-masonic and out of order.

A visitor must show receipt for dues or prove good standing by other documentary evidence. A highly commendatory vote for the oration of Past Grand Master STOCKWELL was taken but the production is not printed. Why deprive others of your good things?

CORRESPONDENCE REPORT.

The committee on correspondence, Past Grand Master JAMES W. FOLEY, is content to print a digest of masonic law as gleaned from decisions and resolutions of the several grand lodges of the world. These being under proper heads are in excellent form and must be very useful in the lodges.

The volume closes with "Transactions of the Masonic Veterans' Association" of North Dakota, and the "Constitution."

HALFDAN BENDEKE, grand master, Grand Forks; FRANK J. THOMPSON, grand secretary, Fargo.

NOVA SCOTIA—1909.

71 LODGES.

44TH ANNUAL.

5,673 MEMBERS.

The grand lodge held its session at Halifax, June 9, 1909. The dominant note in the meeting was that of rejoicing over the acquisition of a home for Masonic dependents. A picture of the building shows it to be a cozy home-like place. The subscription is "Nova Scotia Freemason's Home, Windsor, N. S." This is a small jurisdiction but it seems to have all the fire and spirit of the true Masonic heart. There is no more exalted duty that, as Masons, we owe to our brethren and their families than to care for them in the times of distress and want. Almost unanimously the per capita for the Home was increased from twenty-five cents to fifty cents. There was a minor chord in the music of the session. The death of JAMES DEMPSTER, P.D.G.M., and

for many years the grand treasurer, was the cause of genuine sorrow. An emergent communication to bury with Masonic honors this distinguished craftsman was held at Halifax on May 10, 1909.

At the annual communication there was a full attendance. Thirty-five representatives of other grand lodges were present, Bro. THEODORE A. COSSMAN who stands for Illinois, being of the number.

A RELIGIOUS MEETING.

A rather unusual feature of this session of the grand lodge was "divine service" at St. Pauls, attended by the grand lodge in a body. This took place immediately after the opening. The following is the record:

A procession was then formed under the direction of V.W. Bro. William H. Soper, acting G. D. of Ceremonies with W. Bro. James Roy, and W. Bro. Corbitt as bible bearers; W. Bro. Thos. I. D. Moffatt, constitution bearer and headed by the band of the Royal Canadian Regiment, marched to St. Paul's church, where divine service was held, taken part in by the grand chaplain and venerable archdeacon Armitage, rector of the parish. (Rev. Canon R. H. Bullock, D.C.L.P.G. Chaplain occupied a seat in the Chancel in Masonic regalia but under his physician's instructions took no part in the service.)

For a sovereign grand lodge to leave its work and go to church merely to be "preached to" by the grand chaplain is a novel proceeding. This sermon is published in the proceedings in full and is a very good one. The devotional service ended by singing the national anthem.

THE IRREPRESSIBLE PICTURE FIEND.

Then the procession reformed and in front of the city building had the inevitable picture taken. Why can't any assembly of men or women in these days escape the picture sharks that are lying in wait to prey upon the vanity of human nature?

After the conclusion of the sermon and the picture the grand lodge settled down to the business of the session.

W. J. EDGAR, D.G.S. of the Dist. Grand Lodge of England, was invited to the east and made an "eloquent address."

Grand Master CHARLES R. SMITH made a thoughtful report detailing the business of the year.

MASONIC CHARITY.

In speaking of the aims and objects of Freemasonry the grand master said, "Its charity is dispensed with no niggardly hand and where the recipients are not made to feel they are the objects of alms but

receiving just due. The wants of the needy and deserving are never turned down." Again he says that, "We do not crave for 'popular Masonry' but we strive for the right." It appears that the grand master has served for five years being elected five times. He certainly made very "good" to break records in this fashion. The death of Bro. LOYAL L. MUNN is noted.

MANY DECISIONS.

Decisions to the number of thirteen, mostly of local bearing, were submitted.

1. Holds that every member present including the tyler must vote on applications for membership.

6. A member going to England and joining a lodge without dimitting from Nova Scotia must keep his dues paid in the latter or be suspended.

11. Holds that an investigating committee cannot make private report to the master. "These committees must be appointed in open lodge and their 'favorable or unfavorable' must be made within the four walls of the lodge room."

In Illinois the law requires the report to be private and verbal.

STEPPED ON THE CHAIN LETTER.

The grand master unceremoniously squelched the "chain letter" outrage sought to be used by some lodges to build halls and to do other good things. If people want to build temples they should pay for them themselves and not ask their often poorer neighbors to do it for them.

The grand lodge of Nova Scotia always closes by singing the national anthem. Why not other grand bodies do the same?

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Was written by grand secretary, THOMAS MOWBRAY. It is carefully prepared and is an excellent review of world-wide Masonry. Illinois fares well at the writer's hands. He quotes Grand Master BELL's argument against appropriating lodge funds for private purposes.

The coronation of Bro. FAY HEMPSTEAD "poet laureate of Masonry" is observed. The reviewer finds the reports of Masonic Homes very interesting.

He says that R.W. Bro. ELMER E. BEACH delivered a very fine oration on "International Brotherhood" which well repays a careful perusal.

Of the Illinois report on correspondence Bro. MOWBRAY has this to say:

The report of Masonic correspondence submitted by M.W. Bro. Joseph Robbins is very full and complete and excellent in every way. It covers

349 pages of the printed proceedings and embraces carefully prepared reviews of the proceedings of sixty-seven sister grand lodges giving the reader a capital idea of what is transpiring in other jurisdictions.

The grand master is WILLIAM M. BLACK, Wolfville. The grand secretary, THOMAS MOWBRAY, Halifax.

OHIO—1909.

517 LODGES.

100TH ANNUAL.

75,976 MEMBERS.

Ohio appeared at her one hundredth anniversary in deepest mourning. The "grand old man" of Masonry in that jurisdiction was gone to "rest and refreshment in the paradise of God." WILLIAM M. CUNNINGHAM was the JOSEPH ROBBINS of Ohio. For twenty-seven years he had written the report on correspondence almost the identical time that Bro. ROBBINS had wrought a similar work for Illinois. It was fitting that these two giant oaks in the Masonic forest should fall at almost the same time. They did not always agree in the discussion of questions relating to the mystic fraternity, but each was as able and fearless as he was honest in defending the position taken. The Masonic world has sustained an irreparable loss in the passing of these veteran writers of fraternal history.

THE DOINGS OF THE GRAND LODGE.

The volume of proceedings of Ohio for 1909 is a finely printed book of 565 pages. The picture of the retiring grand master, C. S. HOSKINSON, graces its introductory pages. This grand lodge makes much of its opening ceremonies. The session was held in Cleveland.

A SIZZLING RESPONSE.

Mayor TOM JOHNSON'S proxy gave a warm welcome. "Then the gifted and eloquent Bro. JOHN J. SULLIVAN," spoke for the Masonic fraternity. His words sizzled and burned in the heat of the good fellowship of the Cleveland brethren. Hear him in a single paragraph:

We sing the praises of the fragrant flower, blushing before the smiling of the king of day; we voice the rich melody of the rippling waters as they tumble in rich crescendo toward the sea; we shout the wild glories of the ocean's grand refrain; we look inspired at diamond dewdrops, shining like myriad pendants from the forest-trees, but in all their richness and their glory they compare not with the living of a noble Masonic life.

We royally welcome you to the rising metropolis of the middle west, whose banks line the shores of Erie's broad and fitful bosom, on whose trembling waves dance the moonbeams reflected from our steeples and our towers—a city of more than one-half million of God's good children, teeming and thrilling with busy, buoyant life, great in its love and fealty for our fellow-men.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GRAND MASTER.

The grand master's address was a carefully prepared and most interesting review of his work for Buckeye Masonry for a year. He notes "more Masons have been raised, more affiliated and more reinstated than ever before; yet the large number of deaths, withdrawals and suspensions bring the net gain down to 3637, twenty-three less than the year before." The passing of R. W. Brother MUNN and M.W. Brother ROBBINS is noted under "fraternal dead of other jurisdictions."

MAKING TAFT AT SIGHT.

We get the making of WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT a Mason at sight here at first hands, as it was Grand Master HOSKINSON himself who did it with his little prerogative. Much has been said of this in other jurisdictions, some approving and some "ferninst." The whole proceeding, however, looks quite innocent and harmless in the way it was done. Leaving out of sight the question of landmarks, the Grand Master of Ohio seems rather to have it over his critics. The committee on correspondence thus explains:

The making of a Mason "at sight" by our grand master, and the advertising the question has received because of the prominence of the candidate, has disturbed the minds of some. But when it becomes known that the laws of Ohio permit the grand master to do just such a thing, then it assumes a different look. Ohio's grand master can not give the lodges the right to "shorten the time" for a candidate, but he can make a Mason "at sight."

HOW IT WAS DONE.

Here is how the grand master said he did it. After declaring the present assemblage an "occasional lodge" for the purpose of conferring upon Mr. TAFT the degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason the lodge was proclaimed open for the purpose stated. The following is from the grand master's address and tells how the deed was done:

The grand master, after propounding the customary questions and receiving the required answers, obligated the candidate in the Entered Apprentice obligation, and then instructed him fully in the unwritten work of that degree.

The same procedure followed with the Fellow Craft and Master Mason degrees, the final statement being made, that the details of the

Master's degree would be exemplified in full form in the evening by Kilwinning Lodge, and that he would then have opportunity to learn that part of the work more fully.

The "charge" appertaining to the Master's degree was then read.

The grand master then made proclamation that William Howard Taft, having received the degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft, and Master Mason, he declared him to be a Master Mason in good and regular standing.

Brother Taft was then escorted to the stage, where he was affectionately greeted by his brother, Charles P. Taft, and then seated at the left of the grand master.

A goodly number of distinguished craftsmen were by their presence aiding and abetting and consenting thereto. Among these were the grand masters of fourteen grand lodges.

It is also to be noted that Bro. JOSEPH E. DIAS, of Paris, Illinois, was present as the general grand high priest of the general grand chapter R.A.M. Bro. JAMES B. MCFATRICH, of Illinois, was recorded as one of the visiting 33° members present.

Subsequently President Taft petitioned Kilwinning Lodge No. 356 for membership and was elected.

Rev. Bro. JOHN M. WALDEN, Bishop of the M.E. Church and a Mason of fifty-seven years standing invoked the divine blessing. The occasion was one of peculiar interest and in it there can be seen little harm, no matter how much Masonic theorists may disagree.

The grand master finds that he has no decisions to report. Only two lodges were delinquent with reports and dues.

The code of laws were recently revised at an expense of \$1612.94. We get such work done cheaper over this way. A few years ago our "blue book" was brought down to date at a mere nominal cost except the printing.

ANOTHER GUITTEAU.

In the list of officers elected appears that of THOS. B. GUITTEAU, senior grand warden. This name makes us shudder in the memory of a fallen president. However, it only shows how little after all is in a name.

ELIJAH AND ELISHA.

The report on correspondence was partly written by the veteran WILLIAM M. CUNNINGHAM before his death. When this Elijah ascended, his mantle fell on a worthy Elisha, WILLIAM A. BELT, who completed the work so long and well done by Brother CUNNINGHAM.

Brother BELT reviewed Illinois and devoted five pages to it. He refers to Brother BELL's "annual address—a thoroughly prepared production of twenty-one pages." He says that the grand master "appointed a new member of the finance committee by reason of the decease of the world-wide known Bro. GIL. W. BARNARD.

BEACH'S ORATION.

The following paragraph explains itself:

The grand orator, R.W. Bro. Elmer E. Beach, whose portrait adorns a full page, proved himself to be an orator in fact, for on the second day he addressed grand lodge on the "Brotherhood of Nations," which covers twelve closely printed pages, and every word is worth reading.

Brother BEACH's peroration is quoted.

BROTHER ROBBINS' REPORT.

Is referred to in the following words:

The report of the committee on foreign correspondence, by M.W. Bro. Dr. Joseph Robbins, covers three hundred and fifty closely printed pages and is worthy of imitation. We do not know the Brother as well as Brother Cunningham did, and hence do not intend on first acquaintance to continue the discussion that has waged for some time. We are not so well versed in the bric-a-brac of history, and we hope that for the time the doctor will take us as he finds us.

OHIO'S CENTENNIAL.

In October, 1908 the 100th anniversary of the organization of the Grand Lodge of Ohio was elaborately celebrated. In the appendix seventy-seven pages are required to tell all about what was done. Another such a case might require an operation for appendix—itis.

MASONIC HOME.

Judging from the report, the Masonic Home at Springfield is in a prosperous condition. There are seventy-three men, forty-six women, thirty-one boys and twenty-four girls as the recipients of Masonic beneficence. The number of children is fifty-six, about the same as in our orphan's home. There are 119 Masons, their wives and widows, a little larger than the number at Sullivan. The cost of maintenance was \$36,550.72, a little more than it took for the same year for our two homes.

The grand master is B. F. PERRY, Jr., Jefferson, O. The grand secretary, J. H. BROMWELL, Cincinnati.

PENNSYLVANIA—1909.

477 LODGES.

ORGANIZED 1786.

92,135 MEMBERS.

The writer is new at the business of reviewing proceedings of grand lodges. He is inclined to consider himself almost on "holy ground" when he attempts to set forth to his Illinois brethren the doings of the Keystone grand lodge. Organized in 1786, it has for 124 years been one of the leaders in Masonry throughout the world. Though Illinois, much its junior in age, exceeds in membership, it yet has profound respect for the age and achievements of Pennsylvania Masonry.

RICHLY ILLUSTRATED.

The volume under review has 512 pages of well printed and generously illustrated matter. Steel engravings of the "Masonic Temple, Philadelphia," "WM. BALL, R.W. grand master 1761-1782 and 1795," and "THOS. KITTEBA, R.W. grand master 1826-1828." These with a *fac-simile* letter of LAURENCE McDERMOTT, grand secretary of the Grand Lodge of England, January 11, 1765, and of original charter from the Grand Lodge of England, certainly are the kind of picture illustrations that have made the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania famous. The large, readable type used in printing might with profit be imitated by some other grand lodges.

QUARTERLY COMMUNICATIONS.

Beginning March 3, 1909, sessions were held each three months. However, the business at quarterly communications appears to be usually of a minor and routine character. The real serious business comes at the December annual meeting.

GRAND SECRETARY ABSENT.

Owing to illness Bro. WM. A. SINN was unable to be present and JOHN A. PERRY became acting grand secretary for a part of the year.

At the meeting held June 1-3, 1909, sixteen grand masters called together by Grand Master ORLADY for a conference, visited in a body. They were presented by P.G.M. GEO. W. KENDRICK, JR., and received with the customary honors. Each made an address. Grand Master BELL was of this distinguished party. No record is made of the speeches.

GREAT FINANCIAL SHOWING.

At the communication at Philadelphia December 1, 1909, Grand Master ORLADY and a full corps of grand officers were present and opened

the grand lodge in ample form. There were represented 449 lodges. The total assets were shown to be \$212,559.67. A pretty large business enterprise is this though done merely as a fraternity. The estimated receipts for 1910 are \$250,000 and the expenditures of \$200,000 in charitable work has been arranged.

A MASONIC HOME.

For about twenty-five years a private Masonic Home has been maintained by the voluntary charity of individuals. Success has attended the effort. The time has come, however, when Pennsylvania as a state is to embark in the business of caring for masonic dependents in organized and systematic form. A committee was appointed to make an arrangement with the existing Home so that all would come under direct control of the grand lodge. This was not completed but action was taken toward the establishment of the state Home. At the annual meeting on St. John's day, December 27, the Masonic Home committee reported the purchase of a large tract of land near Elizabethtown. This consists of 957 acres and cost \$134,296.54. It is proposed to establish the most extensive plant for the care of Masons, their wives, widows and orphans in the world. Nine hundred and fifty-seven acres make our 264 at Sullivan look rather small, but it is not the broad acres but the extent of relief and comfort furnished that is most to be considered.

The death of P.G.M. JAMES W. BROWN was reported and proper respect for his memory shown. An appropriation of \$1,000 was made to procure a life-sized portrait to be hung in the Temple.

Full report is made of the conference of grand masters at Philadelphia. Grand Master BELL covered this fully in his address to our grand lodge in 1909.

THE SCROLL OF THE LAW.

Bro. JOSEPH KRAUSKOPF, grand chaplain, on behalf of Bro. JOHN WANAMAKER presented to the grand lodge a copy of the ancient scroll of the law, the first five books of the Bible, known as the Pentateuch. This was secured by Brother KRAUSKOPF after an extended search through Europe. It was found at Hamburg. The cost was great. It is one of the ancient copies of the Torah as read in Jewish synagogues. Brother WANAMAKER paid the price and placed it in the Masonic Museum in the Temple. As Masonry is based upon and draws its inspiration from the Old Testament scriptures, this is a fitting addition to the lore of this grand lodge.

DISPENSING CHARITY.

The grand lodge charity fund amounted to \$6,980. The full amount was dispensed to 668 applicants, the greater portion of whom were from

Pennsylvania. Of the fifty-four outside of their own state only two were from Illinois. The board of almoners of the charity fund report that above the sum provided \$150 were advanced by individuals. They ask for \$8,000 for 1910.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

At the annual December 27, the grand master made an exhaustive statement of the affairs of the craft. He refers to the fact that the grand lodge is an "unincorporated fraternal association, which has been in continuous existence under one form or other since 1730, all through the provincial, colonial and state history of this commonwealth and it has never declared a dividend on any of its investments to any of the members of the fraternity as a return in money, there being only a sentimental reimbursement in the form of duty performed, in the making and confirming of the ties of brotherly kindness, and in the relief of the deserving and dependent of our fraternity."

MAKING A MASON AT SIGHT.

This much mooted question is referred to in the following somewhat extensive form:

By our Ahiman Rezon there is enumerated among the powers of the grand master, "to cause Masons to be made in his presence at any time, and at any place, a lodge being opened by him for that purpose." In the earlier days, the assertion of this prerogative right was exercised principally upon merchants, sea-faring men and travelers, who did not have a permanent residence, but were anxious to be identified with the fraternity, and who measured up to the standards required by our rules. Recently, this exceptional favor has been conferred upon distinguished citizens of our jurisdiction, who, by reason of some special prominence they have attained, in civic life, have been rewarded with this personal favor at the hands of a grand master. In so doing, it has always been required, that there should be a duly constituted lodge regularly convened, that the candidate should be under the tongue of good masonic report, and possess all the physical and moral qualifications, which are required by our well-known standards. In such a case, the only things waived, are the appointment of a committee of inquiry and a ballot. These only are dispensed with, and at the grand master's will and pleasure. From the moment of presentation of the candidate in the preparing room down to the conclusion of the services, every requirement of our law, usages and customs should be rigidly complied with; after which the person who has been made a Mason at sight, stands as an unaffiliated Mason in good standing, his future relation to the fraternity, and his membership in any lodge, being controlled by the same rules as those affecting any other unaffiliated Mason.

GIVES POOR REASONS.

Exception may be taken to the propriety of preferring "distinguished citizens of our jurisdiction who by reason of some special prominence,"

etc. Masonry teaches that all are equal before the law. There is no distinction except the worth of the man. "The distinguished citizen" meets on the level with the more humble. In Illinois a vice-president of the United States sat as a faithful member of the craft while his lodge was presided over by an honest and intelligent blacksmith. Position does not count. Sometimes a judge will render a sound decision but his arguments in its support are fallacious. Grand Master ORLADY may have stated correctly the right and prerogative of the grand master to make a Mason at sight but his reasoning is faulty.

The grand master reports the publication of the History of Freemasonry in Pennsylvania, 1727 to 1907, and the history of Lodge No. 2, which is a history of Masonry in the province, the colony and the state.

IMPROPER USE OF THE WHITE BALL.

The grand master has clear and pertinent ideas on the ballot. He says:

I have been frequently interviewed in regard to the improper use of the black ball, and have investigated many such cases. After careful inquiry, I have concluded that the improper and un-masonic use of the black ball is not as frequent an occurrence as is supposed. Such a use of a black ball is decidedly wrong, not only to the deserving petitioner, who is unfairly denied the rights and privileges of the fraternity, but also to the fraternity itself, it being thus deprived of the association and counsel of a good man; but the fraternity's loss in such a case is a matter of minor significance. The wrong done to the fraternity, and one which is irreparable and can never be estimated, is in the careless use of the white ball, by which an undeserving person becomes identified with us in fraternal association, and is entitled to receive from us the same consideration as the best of men. The importance of the ballot prompts me to call your attention to the necessity for a most rigid investigation of all petitioners, and insistence on the identification, and on the physical and moral qualities of all such, whereby we may be saved from evil influences in our midst.

DECISIONS.

In line with Illinois law the grand master holds "Neither the name, nor title of a lodge, nor the word 'Masonic' is permitted to be used for any purpose that is not masonic."

Again he decides that "none but Masons may be present at a masonic banquet."

Again, "A masonic lodge must not be opened on Sunday."

The grand master holds that a lodge of Masons must not appear in public to attend church or any other service without first obtaining consent of the grand master. He makes many other rulings but they are of local interest only.

FRATERNAL COURTESIES.

A visit from THOS. J. SHRYOCK, grand master of Maryland, accompanied by seven other grand officers of that state evinces the close fraternal relation between the brethren of these two states. P.G.M. JOHN W. EWAN, of New Jersey, was also received with the usual courtesies.

The new grand master, Bro. GEO. W. GUTHRIE, was installed and made a ringing inaugural address, the keynote of which was the speedy completion of the Masonic Home and the necessity for its establishment.

The brethren of Pennsylvania ought to be most religious. The grand master appointed fifteen grand chaplains. Illinois gets all the spiritual consolation it needs from one. Perhaps the Keystone State needs more religious ministrations than the Prairie State.

THE RETIRING GRAND MASTER.

The retiring grand master, Brother ORLADY, received at the hands of the grand master a past grand master's jewel, apron and the gavel he used during his administration. There was transmitted to Brother GUTHRIE, the incoming grand master, the signet ring which first came to the grand master in 1896.

The grand secretary being unable to be present asked the appointment of JOHN A. PERRY as his deputy. He appears as the acting grand secretary.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Bro. JAMES M. LAMBERTON, as chairman of the committee on correspondence, presented his report. It consists of 259 pages as printed. The report is an able review of the proceedings of sixty-two grand lodges.

DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE.

In view of the tendency of grand lodges to require something more than "strict trial and due examination" for the admission of visitors Brother LAMBERTON sent to the various grand secretaries of the United States for information on this subject. He then summarizes the replies. In twenty-four states no regulation requiring written evidence is required. In twenty-five others some form of documentary evidence is necessary. It would be of interest to present this entire statement but limitation of space forbids.

ILLINOIS FARES WELL.

The correspondent generously accords fourteen pages to the proceedings of Illinois for 1909. Of Brother BELL's annual address he says:

The address of the grand master is an able paper, which we have read with the greater interest, having had the pleasure of meeting Brother Bell at both the Philadelphia and Baltimore conferences of grand masters.

He then quotes liberally from the address. The tribute to our late Brother ROBBINS is given first. Then is set forth in extenso the report Brother BELL made of the Philadelphia conference and with hearty approval. Added to this is that part of the report of the committee on grand master's address pertaining to Brother BELL's report.

VALLE DE MEXICO.

The reviewer says that:

The reports of the special committee of five, appointed at the last session, on the question of the recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, the majority report in four pages, signed by the chairman, Brother Robbins, and three other past grand masters, and the minority report in double the number of pages, signed by Past Grand Master Moulton, had been sent out six weeks before the annual communication by the grand master to the representatives of the lodges, with the request that they read both reports carefully, and anything else on the question which might be accessible.

The report of the majority, refusing recognition, was adopted by a majority, which we are informed was overwhelming.

After referring to a former report of the committee on correspondence upon the subject, which pointed out, as did this writer in a similar report, the undenied fact that the grand lodge in question had been formed by dividing up a single lodge (La Union Fraternal) into three, "in pretended compliance with the law of Masonry whose unvarying precedent had required the participation of three lodges to form a new grand lodge for a period of at least one hundred and sixteen years, this subterfuge attesting how thoroughly and universally the law was understood," the report exposed the pretense that the grand lodge "possesses exclusive control and undisputed authority over the three degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry," "within the territorial limits of the republic of Mexico;" pointed out the clandestine character of the body (the Gran Dieta Simbolica) out of whose fragments the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was alleged to have been built.

Brother LAMBERTON continues by reproducing a considerable part of the report dictated by Brother ROBBINS. It is gratifying that so great a grand lodge as Pennsylvania is not swept off its feet by modernism and commercialism. It stands for the ancient craft and the landmarks

BROTHER COOK'S REPORT.

Reference is made to "Tributes to Brother ROBBINS" and two of these are re-produced. Of the report the reviewer says: "We have enjoyed Brother COOK's report very much. It is on the lines of former

Illinois reports, is pleasantly written and will be received by his brethren with interest. Large tribute is laid upon this report and extensive quotations are made. Regarding its length he says: "The report of the usual Illinois length, if printed in the same sized type and page as ours would fill from 525 to 550 pages. Our longest report was 355 pages.

Extracts are given from the review of Canada regarding the ballot, from Kansas concerning recognition of grand lodges, from Minnesota about Valle de Mexico and concerning Pennsylvania.

Grand master, GEO. W. GUTHRIE, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia; grand secretary, WM. A. SINN, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia.

QUEBEC—1910.

62 LODGES.

40TH ANNUAL.

6,325 MEMBERS.

A most interesting account is given of the unveiling of a monument to the memory of M.W. Bro. JOHN HAMILTON GRAHAM, the first grand master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec. A fine picture of the monument is given as a frontispiece. The ceremonies of unveiling are given in full and are of much interest. Able addresses were made by many distinguished Masons.

The 40th annual communication was held at Montreal on February 9, 1910. Bro. H. E. CHANNELL, representative of the Grand Lodge of Illinois at Quebec, was noted as present.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

M.W. Bro. J. ALEX. CAMERON presented a very able and interesting review of the affairs of his grand lodge for the year. A single paragraph will suffice to show its thoughtful merit. He says that—

There is no doubt that the present age is, as much as and perhaps more than any other, a practical age, an age pre-eminently characterized by a spirit of enquiry and research which finds expression in every field of man's activity. Customs, ideas, institutions, are being tried in the crucible of investigation; and if institution, idea or custom is to stand the test, it must surely have for its justification some other plea than that of long existence—a plea which error itself might easily invoke.

The grand master indicates very strongly that there are certain ecclesiastical influences at work that militate against masonry in the Province of Quebec. Very wisely he refrained from going into public

controversy with those who ignorantly, and possibly with malice, de-famed the ancient institution of Freemasonry.

The grand master notes the death of Brother ROBBINS without comment.

A FINE ORATION.

The oration was by grand chaplain of the Montreal district. R.W. Bro. REV. ALLAN P. SHATFORD. He took for his theme "The Symbolism of Masonry." The following extract will show the forceful presentation of a subject of great concern to thoughtful and studious Masons.

The use of symbolism is coeval with the human race; it is a result of the constitution of man's nature; the desire and deed are implanted in his heart from the very beginning. Of this fact there are countless illustrations on every hand. Does the mother love her child? Then that love will find expression in a thousand tender acts. The lock of hair, the crumpled shoe, the worn photograph are sweet and precious symbols of the mother-love. Does a nation worship the heroes who slit their veins and emptied out their blood for home and fatherland? Then that gratitude and appreciation must find an outlet in some visible, tangible act. And all our public statues are symbols of a nation's love. Cathedrals with their uplifted spires and elaborate ceremony; hospitals with their careful appointments and ample endowments; societies with their growing lodges and secret rituals; schools with their trained teachers and faithful equipments—these are all expressions of man's faith in a great God who is the Father of all, and in man who is a child of God, and therefore our brother.

Again he says—

Better no Masonry than one which amounts to no more than a hollow form, a piece of decorative art, a cerement wrapped around the bones of a dead faith. Better no vows, than vows which a man intends to keep only so long as his views remain the same. Better no words than words twisted into a falsehood and a lie; better no rites than rites which mean nothing. The spirit of Masonry should act on us through externals in order to renew and restore within us the Divine Image.

He thinks that the attainment of masonic ideals would mean a "four square manhood."

APPROVE CARE AND CAUTION.

The committee on grand master's address calls special attention to the necessary caution to be observed in granting certain kinds of dispensations. The following paragraph is most timely in an age when so many want to use limited train methods in conferring degrees:

Your committee takes pleasure in recommending the approval of the various dispensations issued by the grand master, and in noting the caution manifested by him in assuring himself of the existence of proper cause before consenting to shorten the time between degrees, or the constitutional residence qualifications. Upon his refusal to grant

dispensations when these conditions were lacking, M.W. Brother Cameron merits the hearty thanks and congratulations of grand lodge.

A NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

A committee to nominate officers is a rare bird in masonic bodies. The time is not far away when lodges were not permitted to mention names in connection with the election of brethren to places and stations in lodges. In many even now no nominations are ever made. Brethren simply cast their ballots for whomever they will. Now comes a grand lodge that appoints a committee to suggest names for election. In this abundant opportunity is afforded for schemes to thwart the wishes of the members. Quebec is setting a very questionable example in this respect.

GIVES THE NAMES.

Our Canadian brethren publish the names of those who are expelled or otherwise disciplined. In many quarters it is considered better practice to suppress the names.

The powers and prerogatives of the grand master were jealously guarded by the committee on jurisprudence with the approval of the grand lodge. A slight change which somewhat abridged his power was promptly set aside.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

P.G.M., E.T.D. CHAMBERS presented the review of grand lodges. As it has been done by him for twenty-three years it can be easily understood that the work is not that of a novice. Illinois fares liberally at his hands. Seven pages are given the review of our 1909 proceedings. He opens in a minor chord and says—

We take up with very much grief the beautiful volume of the Illinois proceedings for 1909, knowing, as we do, that for the first time in many years we should look in vain for the customary review of that Prince of Masonic writers, M.W. Bro. Joseph Robbins. In the loss which the Grand Lodge of Illinois has sustained by his death, every other grand body in fraternal communication with it shares. As we have already said elsewhere, M.W. Brother Robbins' work stood for the best that there was of zeal, tact, scholarship and devotion to Masonry.

A GOOD SELECTION.

In reference to our new representative near the Grand Lodge of Quebec, Brother CHAMBERS says, "our brethren in Illinois are fortunate in having so handsome, so active and so indefatigable a representative as R.W. Bro. ED. CHANNELL." It takes just that kind of a man to do justice to so great a state as Illinois. He quotes approvingly and in full Brother BELL's decision in the Petersburg liquor case.

After giving at some length the grand master's report of the Philadelphia Conference he concludes by saying that—

There is not only no necessity for such an institution as a general grand lodge, but there is every reason in the world why every sovereign independent grand lodge on the continent should vigorously oppose any proposition looking towards a movement that can only mean an invitation to forego the blessings of independence.

BROTHER COOK APPROVED.

Regarding the report on correspondence by M.W. Brother COOK the following just tribute is paid:

From the pen of M.W. Bro. Edward Cook, we have a magnificent report of foreign correspondence, which does not suffer by comparison with the best that has gone before it. We delight in his wise conservatism and strict adhesion to the landmarks and ancient regulations of the fraternity.

Quotations are made from the introductory and the "darkey" ballot box story is reproduced.

WANTS THE GENUINE.

In his "conclusion" Brother CHAMBERS fitly observes that—

We cannot all think alike on minor matters in Masonry any more than in any other subject. Nor is there any good reason why we should. But there are some Masonic questions which admit of no two opinions. There are for instance the essentials and the landmarks of Masonry and the great eternal verities,—the fundamental principles underlying the very foundation of the fraternity.

We regret to notice, in some few instances, a tendency to ignore the absolute requirements that mark the dividing line between actual legitimate Freemasonry and the plated sham that bears the name, but not the hall mark—the character—of the sterling article.

The grand master is J. ALEX. CAMERON, Montreal; the grand secretary is WILL H. WHYTE, Montreal.

QUEENSLAND—1909.

54 LODGES.

64TH ANNUAL.

1,794 MEMBERS.

A modest pamphlet records the doings of this youthful sister grand lodge in its four quarterly communications in September and December, 1908, and March and June, 1909. Place is also given for a special held

January, 1909, at Toowoomba. The grand master thought "it would be a nice way of meeting all the brethren of the lodges on the Downs as I have such a large number of engagements that I have no time to visit all the lodges individually" In order to secure "uniformity in ritual and working" the grand master caused the third degree to be worked "as it should be."

A GOLDEN JUG.

A special was convened at Brisbane in May, 1909, the chief business of which was the presentation of a "golden claret jug" to the retiring grand master. The address read as follows:

To Frederic John Napier Thesiger, Lord Chelmsford, K.C.M.G., Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of A.F. and A.M. of Queensland.

This looks a little queer to American eyes but in that land of titles and distinctions it is the proper thing. The transactions of the various quarterly communications were largely routine. Little beyond local interest is recorded. Recognition by Virginia, Wyoming, Washington, South Carolina, and District of Columbia is noted.

CARE OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS.

The grand master commends the beginning of the movement for the "Widows', Orphans' and Aged Masons' Institution." The fund has now about \$6,500. Pretty good for a membership of less than 1,800.

In giving the list of representatives of other grand lodges Illinois is credited with "J. R. INNES." Of course JAMES R. ENNIS is the one meant. The grand secretary is recorded as "I. CUTTER," presumably referring to our genial ISAAC.

In the election for grand officers A. M. HERTZBERG became grand master. The grand secretary is CHAS. H. HARLEY. No report on masonic correspondence appears.

HONOR TO BROTHER ROBBINS.

Since writing the foregoing review the printed report of a special communication held at Brisbane December 13, 1909, has been received. Aside from a few matters of a routine character the principal business appears to have been to pay a tribute of respect to Bro. JOSEPH ROBBINS, of Illinois. The pre-eminence of our late brother in the masonic world is shown by this action of Queensland. No apology is needed for inserting the proceedings in full.

DEATH OF M.W. BRO. DR. JOSEPH ROBBINS, P.G.M., OF ILLINOIS.

The M.W. the grand master announced to the brethren that information had been received of the death of M.W. Bro. Dr. Joseph Robbins.

P.G.M., of Illinois, a brother who was looked upon in the masonic world as the greatest authority on masonic jurisprudence, and who had contributed, probably more than any other living Mason of his time, towards the upholding of the ancient landmarks and good government of the craft generally. The G.M. read the following appreciation of the late lamented brother by Bro. C. R. Gould, the eminent masonic historian:

Dr. Robbins, of Illinois.

When all the overwork of life
Is finished once, and fallen asleep
We shrink no more beneath the knife,
But having sown prepare to reap.
Delivered from the crossway rough,
Delivered from the thorny scourge,
Delivered from the tossing surge,
Then shall we find—please God!—it is enough.

Christina Rossetti.

Some time ago the serious illness of Dr. Joseph Robbins, of Quincy, Illinois, was announced in the columns of *The Freemason*; and through the same medium the melancholy intelligence of his decease will now be conveyed to those of our own countrymen by whom the great writer who has just passed away was known and esteemed.

Our brother's death took place on July 19, at the Blessington Hospital, Quincy, of which he had been an inmate since May 16 last.

According to the *Quincy Daily Journal*, "For many weeks his death had been expected, as it was known when he entered the hospital that he would spend his last days there. He had many dark days of agony, but he bore his sufferings with great fortitude and in silence, and met death as he had faced the crises of life, bravely, with resignation, and in a spirit that showed the strong man's sturdy character and fine courage."

The masonic record of Dr. Robbins covers a period of over fifty years, but his enduring claim upon the gratitude of the fraternity will be mainly based on the extraordinary ability he displayed during the thirty years that he prepared the correspondence reports of his grand lodge.

To perhaps a very limited degree only the generality of British Masons are aware of the position which the reports on correspondence occupy in the masonic literature of North America, or of the process of natural selection under which the ablest writers of the craft, in the various jurisdictions, are incorporated within the famous *coterie* of reporters—who are familiarly known as the "Knights of the Round Table."

Dr. Mackey, the most prolific of American masonic writers, devoted a great portion of his time to the duties of a reporter on correspondence, and Albert Pike, who excelled in all things, made his first mark as a scholar of the craft by the preparation of an admirable and far-reaching "report" (or review of current masonic knowledge), which was printed with the "proceedings" of a Grand Royal Arch Chapter.

Dr. Robbins possessed many of the attributes which are associated with the names of these two men. He was hardly the inferior of Mackey

in general masonic knowledge, or of Pike as a writer of forcible and classical English in which that knowledge could be expressed.

But I am not writing today to extol the abilities of a great Freemason, who stands in no need of my-own or of any other man's panegyric. His writings will live and will form an abiding claim to the recognition of his merits as a teacher of the craft. The object I have most at heart, in these hasty lines, is to mourn the loss of a dear and valued friend, and to associate with my own, in this imperfect tribute to his memory, the names of William James Hughan and W. J. Chetwode Crawley, by each of whom our deceased brother was as greatly esteemed and as deeply beloved as he was by the undersigned.

R. F. GOULD.

The brethren then stood to order, with the S. of R., whilst the formal notice recording the death of M.W. Bro. Dr. Joseph Robbins, as issued by the Grand Lodge of Illinois, was read by the grand master:

FROM THE EAST
OF THE
MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE
OF
ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS
OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS

Carlinville, Ill., July 28, 1909.

*To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of the Constituent
Lodges of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois:*

BRETHREN:—

How are the mighty fallen?
JOSEPH ROBBINS is dead.
Our Grand Lodge is bowed in sorrow
Our stalwart leader is stricken low.
Our great counselor and friend can lead us no more.
He spoke and we were instructed.
He led us and we went aright.
He warned us of impending dangers and we passed them by.
Eulogy is not now needed.
Words cannot magnify his worth.
His work is ended and his fame secure.
Let us cherish his memory.
Let us emulate his example.
Let us be true to his teachings.
Let every lodge be draped in mourning.
Let every Mason join in the universal grief.

Fraternally yours,

Alexander H. Bell
Grand Master

Attest:
Isaac C. Cullen
Grand Secretary

At the conclusion of the reading, the "Dead March in Saul" was played, the brethren standing in order with bowed heads and in silence.

The M.W. the grand master then moved, and M.W. Bro. Wm. Jones, deputy grand master, seconded, "That there be recorded on the minutes of this evening's proceedings the sincere regret of the brethren of the Queensland constitution at the demise of the late revered M.W. Bro. Dr. Joseph Robbins, past grand master of Illinois, a brother whose influence on Freemasonry, the world over, will ever be his best and most lasting memorial."

The motion was carried in silence.

The M.W. the grand master stated that the late M.W. Bro. Dr. JOSEPH ROBBINS was the best friend and staunchest defender of the Grand Lodge of Queensland, and in all the literature which had been produced in connection with the formation of the Grand Lodge of Queensland, no one placed the soundness of our position and the justification of our action so forcibly and so plainly before the masonic world as did our late lamented brother.

Then follows the full special report of Brother ROBBINS upon which the Grand Lodge of Illinois extended recognition to the Grand Lodge of Queensland and welcomed it into the great family of legitimate grand lodges. This report is on pages 133 and 134, proceedings of Illinois for 1905. The scene of this Australasian grand lodge standing reverently while Grand Master BELL's unique but superb tribute to the character of Brother ROBBINS as a man and Mason was read was, no doubt, most impressive. Illinois especially values the many evidences of the high standing of our distinguished brother.

RHODE ISLAND—1909.

37 LODGES.

119TH ANNUAL.

7,149 MEMBERS.

The 119th annual, a semi-annual and two special communications are reported in the "proceedings of the grand lodge of the most ancient and honorable society of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations" for 1909. This title suggests colonial days. This little scrap of country bearing the dignity of a state is good so far as it goes. It must be measured by quality rather than quantity. Evidently it seeks to make up for its diminutive area by the magnitude of its name.

The book bears the life-looking picture of the retiring grand master, M.W. Bro. WILLIAM L. CHATTERTON. Not having seen the genuine

the counterfeit presentment looks most engaging and bespeaks vigor and success of administration.

The semi-annual session was much of a business engagement.

SOME POINTS OF LAW.

A series of points of law coming over from the year previous was disposed of by the committee on grand officers' reports. This met approval. Only one point is of general interest. The grand master suggested legislation fixing the minimum amount of fees for life membership in lodges and restricting the spending of these fees by the lodge to the life of the member

LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

Evidently Rhode Island is suffering from the growing evils of life membership as we did in Illinois. Our remedy was to cut off the dog's tail close up behind his ears and the poor creature died. There is no good reason for life membership. Paying dues for a term of years is no more than paying your way for rent, heat, light, and other lodge comforts. Why it should be any credit to a man to do this is not evident. To do less is to be a sponge and a parasite. To pay the fees of a life time in a lump sum has serious complications. When future resources are anticipated there is danger of a shortage in finances if many avail themselves of this provision. New and young members feel the burden of lodge expenses and dimit or are suspended. The only equitable and safe way is for all members of all classes to pay annual dues all the time. Our Rhode Island brethren will find the best way is not to have any system of life membership. In expulsion and other methods of discipline the names are wisely suppressed from the printed proceedings.

ANOTHER WM. H. SCOTT.

The special session was to dedicate a building. The orator on the occasion was Past Grand Master WILLIAM H. SCOTT and from his fervent eloquence he might have been mistaken for our WILLIAM H. SCOTT, the senior past grand master of Illinois. But it was not our P.G.M.

At the annual communication Grand Master CHATTERTON presided with a full complement of grand officers and the representatives of twenty-eight out of the thirty-seven lodges.

The oil portrait of P.G.M. EDWARD L. FREEMAN was unveiled with suitable ceremonies.

The annual address of the grand master is concerned almost entirely with the routine of the year's business.

Only three decisions are reported and these of purely local interest.

OPPOSES CHURCH ATTENDANCE.

The grand master says that—

In accordance with precedent of long establishment in this jurisdiction, I have granted special dispensations to various lodges to appear in public in lodge formation for the purpose of attending divine worship. I feel that it is commendable in a lodge to attend services, but why they should attend in lodge formation I do not understand, as no masonic work is performed, and the function results in a display of paraphernalia and jewelry to those without the pale.

With which it is easy to agree by all who do not work masonry as a show. All lodges in "Little Rhody" report and pay dues as becometh good Masons. The committee on foreign correspondence presents no review of other grand lodges and found no subjects for consideration in the masonic world.

A LA POLITICAL CONVENTIONS.

Brother STEPHEN MAGOWN was elected grand master and a committee of past grand masters was sent to inform the brother of his election and ascertain if he would accept. He then was brought in, introduced and installed. It is presumed that he accepted. After this other grand officers were elected.

The grand master is STEPHEN MAGOWN, Woonsocket, Rhode Island; the grand secretary is, S. PENROSE WILLIAMS, Providence, R.I.

SASKATCHEWAN—1910.

72 LODGES.

4TH ANNUAL.

3,500 MEMBERS.

A neatly printed, but carelessly proof-read booklet records the doings of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan for the year ending June, 1910. This is one of the youngest grand lodge but is a lusty and vigorous infant. Organized August 9, 1906, with twenty-nine lodges and 900 members, it has grown to seventy-two lodges and a membership of 3,500. The growth has been conservative and healthy.

The book opens with the picture of the new grand master, Rev. W. B. TATE. The expansive and gorgeous substitute for the lamb-skin or white leather apron, together with the collar around the shoulders, proclaims English antecedents. The first work of the session was to repair to the new temple erected at Saskatoon, the city in which the

grand lodge held its meeting, and perform the consecration and dedicatory ceremonies.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

Grand Master HAROLD JAGGER, congratulated the grand lodge on its peaceful progress during the year. He notes a growth in membership of about 1000. A dispensation was refused for a new lodge because it would sap the life of one already in existence. He wisely reiterates advice to the brethren to exercise care in the recommendation of candidates and use the ballot with a firm determination that only those shall be admitted to membership who will ultimately reflect honor on our choice. By fully realizing our individual responsibility we shall preserve the true characteristic of Freemasonry.

The grand master refused dispensation to "wear Masonic regalia at the funeral of a brother where the service was to be conducted by another society." No lodge has any business to appear as such in public unless in performance of a masonic duty. Very wisely he refused to permit members "to wear masonic regalia at a public ball."

The death of King EDWARD, "past grand master of of the United Grand Lodge of England, and protector of the craft," was suitably considered with eulogies of high order. The grand master notes the death of Bro. ROBBINS of Illinois.

Of twenty-three dispensations issued, fifteen were to attend divine services. Grand Master JAGGER complains that the benevolent fund does not grow as fast as he would have it. He is quite right in surmising that a definite plan for distributing aid to the needy would stimulate its growth. The benevolent fund stands at \$1693.42.

DOES NOT INTERFERE WITH O.E.S.

The beginning of the work of the Order of the Eastern Star in that grand jurisdiction is noted. The grand master says that, "I have not been asked for any rulings or decisions in regard to it. So have not given any." Why should he be so called upon? The Grand Lodge of Illinois has been in existence seventy years and no grand master has ever been asked to give any rulings or decisions pertaining to the O.E.S. To have done so would have been quite *ex-Cathedra*. Masonry is one institution. The Eastern Star is another. They are good friends but officially are not kin folks.

Representatives of other grand lodges were suitably received but the Illinois man was absent.

An amendment to the law provides that no affiliate can be admitted a member of a lodge until his credentials have been approved by the

grand secretary of Saskatchewan. Not a bad idea. This would catch the clandestine effectually like the darkey's coon trap, "both a comin' and a gwine."

The committee on condition of Masonry finds that in some lodges there is an omission of the lectures and some part of the ceremonial. This is condemned as "not only illegal but conducive to slipshod methods."

The grand master formally ruled in open grand lodge that to preserve secrecy the way to take the ballot on admission of candidates is to place the ballot box on the altar, with an equal number of white and black balls, and let the members approach the altar, singly and each cast his vote.

CORRESPONDENCE REPORT.

Bro. A. S. GORRELL presents the review of grand lodges and calls it his "maiden effort." If he can do better when he really "gets to going" the report from this grand lodge of the far north will be most interesting reading. To Illinois he devotes three and one-half pages. In referring to the opening, he alludes to "M.W. Bro. ALEX. BELL on the throne." Think of this. Our able, but extremely democratic Brother BELL "on the throne!" People in Illinois, who know our well-beloved and handsome past grand master, would travel miles to see the sight. Because Grand Master BELL gave a few instances of differences among brethren the correspondent jumps to an erroneous conclusion when he says, "The correspondence (of the grand master) has been voluminous with bickerings and disputes among lodges and brethren." Not so, good brother. With nearly 900 lodges and 100,000 members the little difficulties requiring adjustment were relatively few. Not more in proportion than our Canadian brother finds at home.

The fact that the grand lodge considered the liquor question is severely condemned. He thinks it has no place in Masonry. Possibly not but many grand lodges have put liquor selling, as well as drinking, under the ban. Verily it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a liquor seller or bartender to gain admission to a lodge of Masons.

BROTHER COOK'S REPORT.

Brother GORRELL devotes considerable attention to Brother COOK's report but does not mention the name of the writer. He quotes and commends Brother COOK's comments and criticisms on the reports of Committees of investigation in Saskatchewan.

Grand Master, Rev. W. B. TATE, QU'APPELLE. Grand secretary, JOHN M. SHAW, Regina.

SCOTLAND—1909.

476 LODGES.

MEMBERSHIP NOT GIVEN.

Owing to the very brief records kept and published by the fine old grand lodge of Scotland, it becomes nearly impossible to present to the Masons of Illinois any comprehensive view of the work of that jurisdiction. The meetings are quarterly and the reports do not always reach the hands of the reviewer. Little in the way of statistics can be made available.

A ROYAL GRAND MASTER.

The first report coming to hand is that of the meeting held in August, 1909. At this session the titled grand master was "on the throne" as they say in "old Scotia." In America with no particular regard for the flummeries of royalty we would likely say that he was "on the job." At the risk of falling under the weight of its ponderosity here goes to reproduce the name of the grand master. "The most Honorable the Marquess of Tullabardine, M.V.O., D.S.O. grand master Mason." Of course one so borne down by honors and titles could not be expected to assume much of the cares and labors incident to the station of grand master. The grand master depute, COLONEL R. KING STEWART, is the acting and aggressive head of Scottish Masonry. He is "intimated" by the grand master and is his personal representative in the details of the grand lodge.

A very large number feel it is necessary to present "apologies" for absence from the sessions.

Business is done largely through committees. The "grand committee" is always full of business and decides many of the questions arising in the administration of the affairs of the craft. As in our national congress most legislation is by committees, so here in making fraternal laws.

COMMITTEE NAMES GRAND OFFICERS.

In the election of grand officers the committee is again most potent. The report of the committee and its slate were heartily and unanimously endorsed. In our country even nominations in open grand lodge are reluctantly tolerated. There would be something of a commotion if some brother would propose that a committee be appointed to nominate the officers of the grand lodge of Illinois. His effrontery would be richly rewarded by a vigorous use of the gavel by the grand master. Still people do things differently in a new country.

WEAR THEIR OWN CLOTHES.

Notices sent to our Scotch brethren for the quarterly communications contain one very significant statement. It is this. "The attention of members is especially directed to the recommendation of 'grand committee' that masters and wardens of the various lodges shall appear *in their own clothing* at grand lodge communications." Unsophisticated Americans naturally wonder "in whose clothing would they appear if not in their own?"

The quarterly held in November had the grand master in charge.

The orphanage scheme was postponed to future meeting for consideration.

At this session the election of grand officers took place. It was little more than a ceremony as the list presented by the committee on nominations was unanimously accepted.

At the annual communication held on November 30, the officers elected were duly installed. The grand master appointed COL. R. KING STEWART as "grand master depute." Bro. A.A. SPIERS was also named as "substitute grand master." Between the three, the affairs of the grand lodge ought to be reasonably well managed.

THE EVENT OF THE YEAR.

The great event of the year in Scottish Masonry appears to be the feast of St. Andrew. Stirring and forceful addresses were made by many distinguished craftsmen. The grand master was the toast master. Such themes as "The King and the Craft," "Her Majesty, the Queen," "Their Royal Highnesses, the Prince of Wales, the Grand Master of England and the Other Members of the Royal Family." This is a most formidable array of royal sentiment. Of course in this country, democratic alike in civil government and masonic usage and custom, the craft is deprived of all this reflected glory.

A governor, a senator, or even the president, looks much like any other craftsman when he is in masonic service. Men of all respectable callings and of every social state "meet upon the level and part upon the square." Many excellent addresses were made in memory of the Scottish Saint Andrew. Space will not permit so much as the naming of the themes and the speakers.

Another quarterly was held May 5, 1910. The much be-titled "grand master Mason" was "on the throne." The work of the Grand Lodge of Scotland is so extremely local in its business that little of it is of interest elsewhere.

ONE POINT OF LAW.

In Scotland a Mason may be a member of as many lodges as he chooses. A question arose in one lodge growing out of this dual membership. Can a brother who is in arrears with one lodge hold office in another lodge of which he is in good standing? The answer was that he could hold office in any lodge in which he was clear of the books without regard to his delinquency in another. The soundness of this decision can not be questioned. But why this masonic polygamy? Is not one spouse enough to test the loyalty and devotion of the ordinary craftsman?

SOUTH AUSTRALIA—1910.

53 LODGES.

3,595 MEMBERS.

A book of an even 100 pages tells the story of Masonry in South Australia for 1910. The report contains the records of a special, October 4, 1909, called to take steps preliminary to the selection of a grand secretary to fill vacancy caused by the death of JAMES H. CUNNINGHAM. On October 17 the grand lodge was convened as a lodge of sorrow. The exercises were full of interest. Brother CUNNINGHAM had served as grand secretary for twenty-five years and was much esteemed for his goodness of heart, sterling worth as a man and Mason and for zeal and efficiency as grand secretary. An eloquent oration on his life and work was delivered by R.W. EUSTACE B. GRUNDY.

There seemed no scarcity of material from which to choose his successor. Eleven brethren were nominated. At the half-yearly meeting held October 20 Bro. CHARLES R. J. GLOVER was elected grand secretary.

Both at the annual and half-yearly meetings the representative of Illinois is recorded as being present. The annual communication convened at Adelaide April 20, 1910. One of the most important items of business was the re-election of the grand master and a full corps of officers.

That South Australia is in line with the mother country in choosing high officials for grand master is shown in the re-election of SAMUEL J. WAY. He is lieutenant governor, chief justice of South Australia and chancellor of the University of Adelaide. He also sports a few titles as this will show, "Right Hon. Sir SAMUEL JAMES WAY, Bart, P.C.,

D.C.L., LL.D.," and in addition he is Lieutenant Governor, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, Chancellor of the University and M.W. grand master of Masons of South Australia. Perhaps he can carry the load but he must be sway-backed. In the British provinces and the grand lodge of England the ordinary brother must take a back seat when it comes to honors and preferment. Titled civic officials have full sway.

A NEW DEPARTURE.

In order to get into a little closer touch with the masonic world the grand lodge adopted the following recommendation of the board of general purposes:

The board has granted permission to the grand secretary to include in the annual report a digest of the proceedings of foreign grand lodges compiled by him. The board also recommends that in the future this work be undertaken by a committee to be called "The foreign correspondence committee."

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Pursuant to this authority Grand Secretary GLOVER presents a forty page review of foreign grand lodges. In his introduction Brother GLOVER gives some statistical information of value to those outside of his jurisdiction. He says that—

I find that there are 109 sovereign grand lodges—fifty in the United States, nine in Canada, five in Central America, nine in South America, seven in Australia, one in Egypt, one in Liberia, and three in the United Kingdom, and eight grand lodges control the German Empire. The remaining sixteen are distributed throughout Europe.

No less than eighteen grand lodges claim direct descent from the Grand Lodge of England, and of the whole 109, seventy work in the English language.

European grand lodges have nearly 6,000 lodges with an approximate membership of 400,000 of which nearly seventy-five per cent is English.

The grand lodges of United States and Canada have 15,000 lodges with a membership of nearly one and one-half millions. Central America has over 200 lodges and 8,000 members, whilst South America has 1,000 lodges with a membership of 40,000. Whilst Australia and New Zealand have some 800 lodges with a membership of 45,000.

Illinois gets a half-page summary. Of our book of proceedings he says that it has a total of 694 pages and is "beautifully bound and finely printed."

His comments are that the grand master's address is "most comprehensive, the subject matter, however, being mostly of local interest."

"The grand orator, R.W. Bro. EUCLID B. ROGERS, gave an excellent and eloquent oration." Of Brother COOK he says "The review on foreign correspondence is from the able pen of Bro. EDWARD COOK."

Grand master, SAMUEL J. WAY, Adelaide; grand secretary, CHAS. R. J. GLOVER, Adelaide.

SOUTH CAROLINA—1909.

213 LODGES.

133RD ANNUAL.

12,515 MEMBERS.

The annual meeting was held at Charleston, December 14, 15, 1909. The proceedings, however, did not reach the Illinois correspondent until September 1, 1910. Must have been something of a hitch somewhere along the line. A handsomely printed volume of 350 pages tells the interesting story of Masonry in South Carolina for one year. M.W. Bro. JAMES L. MICHIE presided and completed his second year of service. JOHN F. FICKEN was present as the representative of Illinois.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ANNUAL ADDRESS

Was a very interesting account of his work during the time his grand lodge was not in session. Little attempt is made at flowers of rhetoric. The grand master contents himself with presenting the business of the year in a business-like way.

First he offers thanks to Almighty God because death has not been allowed during the year to break the grand lodge circle. The death of P.G.M. JOSEPH ROBBINS and of P.G. Sec. LOYAL L. MUNN is noted.

The subject of physical qualification is presented as the most important question to come before the grand lodge. A change of the law was urged. The result, however, was to make no modification. The committee on jurisprudence reported that it could not agree on any change in the law. A new amendment was presented to lie over for one year. This change, if made, will put the law of South Carolina on almost the same basis of Illinois.

THE PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE

Is reported at length and the grand master recommends changes in harmony with the action taken but, like Brother BELL, sees no need of a national grand lodge. P.G.M. MIKELS, of Indiana, urged that steps be taken for its formation. The scheme met with signal failure as it has

done in every grand lodge. Even his own Grand Lodge of Indiana refused to endorse Brother MIKEL's great desire.

The grand master used the dispensation sparingly. The tendency among grand masters is not to interfere with the regular course of events by dispensation.

HIGHLY COMMENDED.

The Order of the Eastern Star comes in for most hearty endorsement. The grand master says:

This order has made rapid strides during the past year, the second of its existence in this state. There are now twenty-one chapters in this state, with a total membership of 486 brothers and 581 sisters.

This order is doing a good work, brethren, and ought to be encouraged by every means in our power. I notice that in several instances where the chapters of the Eastern Star have been instituted the brethren seem to have taken a new interest in our fraternity, and that the average attendance at lodge meetings has increased wonderfully. I would like to see a chapter established wherever we have a subordinate lodge, especially in the rural districts and smaller towns of the state, as I am thoroughly convinced that the softening and ennobling influence of the lady members would tend to make us all better and purer men.

DECISIONS.

The grand master says that he has received many questions which display woeful ignorance of masonic law. He was tempted to quote some of the silly questions propounded but refrained as he did "not wish to hurt the feelings of any of the brethren present."

In decision No. 1 it was held that a brother "after the lapse of nearly two years from the date of his raising and never having visited the lodge in the interim could not become a member of Conway lodge by simply signing the constitution and by-laws but must submit to a petition and ballot as in the case of any other affiliation." This appears to be according to their law. The grand master by inference expresses his dissatisfaction in asking that the committee on jurisprudence report an amendment to modify the same. Other decisions contain nothing new or different from Illinois law.

A BUSY MAN.

The grand master found his second year much easier than the first. He also could be of much greater service to the craft. He was a pretty busy man and reported having "traveled 7,649 miles in this state, conferring degrees, laying corner-stones and making public addresses" He makes a stirring appeal for the "Orphan Home" and deprecates the growing indifference toward its maintenance among lodges. Yet he says

"we have only to show each Mason what is his duty toward our proposed Home and he will respond promptly and as liberally as God has blessed him with the means to do so."

BETTER THAN GOVERNOR.

In concluding his excellent report Brother MICHIE expresses his great appreciation of the office of grand master in the following language:

As told you two years ago, "No higher ambition has ever been mine than to be grand master of Masons of South Carolina." I esteem the honor you have twice conferred on me as the highest this world can ever bestow upon me. I would rather be grand master of Masons of South Carolina than governor of the state. And now that the ambition of my life has been realized, I am ready and willing to assume my place in the ranks of our order, where I shall always be found, while life lasts, working for the good of the fraternity that has bestowed on me the highest honor it had in its power to confer. Words fail me when I try to express, in appropriate and fitting terms, my appreciation of the honor you have done me. From the depths of a grateful heart I give you my sincerest thanks.

HELPS IN RELIEF.

The masonic board of relief recommended that membership be retained in the relief board of Charleston and recommended that \$100, out of the grand lodge treasury, be set aside for its share in the work. No applications for relief came directly to the grand lodge. It is fitting that a sum be appropriated to assist the board in the chief city where most of the cases of destitution are to be found.

SOME UNIQUE FEATURES.

In South Carolina the prerogative of making appointments to the subordinate offices is divided. The senior grand warden appoints the two junior grand deacons, the junior grand warden names grand stewards and the grand master appoints all the other officers. In Illinois the grand master selects them all. Another peculiarity presents itself. The record says that "The grand lodge officers were then duly installed, except the D.D.G.M. for the sixth district." From this it appears that the D.D.G.M.'s are installed as officers of the grand lodge. This may lend dignity and inspire efficiency in these often merely nominal and almost purely ornamental officers.

No oration appears and no report of the committee on correspondence in review of other grand lodges. The absence of the correspondence report is explained in the fact of the serious illness of Bro. J. T. BARRON, grand secretary and committee on correspondence. Brother BARRON left the session during its opening business and did not return.

A deputy grand secretary did the work. Permission was given for Brother BARRON to complete and publish the report on correspondence when his health would permit. Presumably the report was never finished as the proceedings sent out nine months after the grand lodge session, did not embrace it.

Grand master, JAMES R. JOHNSON, Charleston; grand secretary, JACOB T. BARRON, Columbia.

SOUTH DAKOTA—1910.

121 LODGES.

36TH ANNUAL.

8,301 MEMBERS.

A rather singular coincidence occurred in the reception of the proceedings of South Dakota. Its session began June 14, 1910. On the same day Iowa and Wisconsin convened. On the morning of August 26 the mail brought to the Illinois correspondent the proceedings of each of these three grand lodges.

The South Dakota book is adorned by the handsome face of the retiring grand master, SAMUEL A. BROWN. Also there is given a biographical sketch of this sturdy Mason.

The proceedings began with the record of a bunch of "emergent" communications held for various purposes. The 36th annual convened at Pierre on June 14, grand master presiding. Among representatives of other grand lodges, Bro. O. S. GIFFORD was present to guard the interests of Illinois.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

Grand Master BROWN opens in a cheery vein and sets all at ease by his good humor. He then plunges into an excellent review of his work and duties for the year. He pauses to say that "three times the funeral bell has tolled for a member of the grand lodge since last we were together." One was a past S.G.W., one a past D.G.M. and the other a past grand master. In addition to these he notes that fifty-five members of the craft have entered into rest and refreshment.

The death of Brother ROBBINS is noted.

There was a net gain in membership of 666.

ROBBINS AND CUNNINGHAM.

In referring to the above giants among masonic writers Brother TUFTS says:

Among those who always invested every masonic subject with interest, and who never misled a Mason on any disputed or other subject, were Cunningham and Robbins.

Curiously they were pitted against each other all their lives upon the subject of higher Masonry. Dr. Robbins contended that originally Masonry was three degrees only, and although he had taken all the degrees except the 33^o he contended that they were no part of Masonry, that they ought not to be held as such, that they are deleterious and ought not to be tolerated. Cunningham held that Masons of the chapter, commandery and consistory are a help instead of a hindrance.

To me it is a personal bereavement to lose these great workers and I could not return to the round table of correspondents without feeling lonesome.

A GOLDEN RULE.

The grand master says, "I have refused to give dispensations to any lodge to confer degrees out of time simply because the brother was about to move away or to clean up the season's work." Sensible. More grand masters should adopt this rule and stick to it. No decisions were reported.

Under the head of "Fraternal Relations," Grand Master BROWN gives a lengthy and most valuable treatise on the origin and character of grand bodies in Europe with which his and many other grand lodges are not in correspondence.

BRO. HALFDAN BENDEKE, grand master of North Dakota, was received with suitable ceremony. If he is half-Dan it may be presumed that the other half is Beersheba. We then have Masonry from Dan to Beersheba.

ANNUAL ORATION.

The grand orator, Rev. Bro. M. F. MONTGOMERY, delivered an oration that was most unique in its matter and make-up. The grand orator has evidently been indulging in reading something of East Indian lore and the tenets of spiritualism. No correct idea can be given without quoting in full and limits of space forbid. A sentence or two of very practical value are here given. He says: "Be a real Mason, not a badge and pin Mason; not a for-business-sake Mason." Once more: "It is more agreeable to dogmatize than to demonstrate. It is more pleasant to preach than to practice. Hence most of us are dogmatic and intolerant without knowing it." Finally, he says that "Masonry needs more of the spirit of tolerance, of forbearance. Many a so-called *high Mason* is so small and narrow that a homeopathic pill would circumscribe his mental, moral and intellectual horizon."

LIKE THE TWINKLERS.

Among committees appointed are "committee on O.E.S." Wonder what the duties of this committee can be? The committee on resolutions reported this and it was adopted:

Resolved. That we send fraternal greetings and expressions of our esteem for the Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star, now in session in this city. We note with pride their rapid growth and feel deeply interested in their excellent work for the promotion of human happiness and the amelioration of suffering throughout this jurisdiction.

Later the grand lodge called from labor to refreshment to receive a committee of ladies from the Eastern Star. They were escorted into the grand lodge, while at refreshment, the senior grand deacon in charge. After an exchange of verbal courtesies by the grand master and Mrs. MORSE, the ladies retired and the grand lodge resumed its session.

Evidently the brothers of the grand lodge are on excellent terms with the sisters of the grand chapter O.E.S.

A decision was made in open grand lodge that a Mason who refused to receive sentence of reprimand, imposed after due trial in his lodge, should not be permitted to enter his lodge and take his seat as junior warden. He was declared to be a "contumacious Mason" whatever that big word may mean.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

BRO. ARTHUR H. TUFTS presents the review of grand lodges. However, the grand master found time to "spell" Bro. TUFTS and wrote the review of five grand lodges out of the sixty-four. Illinois is given four and one-half pages. In a brief report this is a generous allowance of space. Brother BELL's annual report is used liberally for quotations. The death of the following Illinois Masons is recorded: LOYAL S. MUNN, CALLENDAR ROHRBOUGH, R. S. DEMENT, Rev. H. W. THOMAS and HENRY A. EDISON.

OTHERS MAY HAVE TO BACK UP.

Referring to our action on Valle de Mexico the reviewer says: "We shall look to see the Grand Lodge of Illinois come around to his (Bro. MOULTON'S) view of the case in the not far distant future." This was written before, by reason of secession and open rebellion, there were two grand bodies calling themselves "Valle de Mexico." Now that the Mexicans are torn into quarreling and bickering factions, it may be expected that all good Masons will "come around" to the position always maintained by the Grand Lodge of Illinois.

The reviewer says, "The grand orator, R.W. Bro. EUCLID B. ROGERS, delivered a beautiful and eloquent oration on the subject, 'The World Growing Better.' We wish we had space to quote it in full."

Of Brother COOK's report little is said. A paragraph regarding Brother ROBBINS is quoted and then he adds: "His report is very exhaustive, covering about 330 pages."

Grand Master SAMUEL S. LOCKHART, Milbank; grand secretary, GEO. A. PETTIGREW, SIOUX FALLS.

TENNESSEE—1910.

439 LODGES.

96TH ANNUAL.

23,835 MEMBERS

The first copy of proceedings of a grand lodge held in 1910 came from Tennessee. Its 96th annual communication was held in the City of Nashville, January 26 and 27. A fine half-tone of the present grand master, C. H. BYRN, is the frontispiece to a very neat and attractive volume.

THE ANNUAL ADDRESS.

M.W. Bro. EDWARD K. BACHMAN presented a thorough review of his year's work in his annual address. In this he attends so strictly to his Tennessee business that there is little of general interest to those outside.

The death of Past Grand Master EDMUND P. MC QUEEN comes first in his thought and attention. Among the dead of other jurisdictions he names P.G.M. JOSEPH ROBBINS of Illinois.

DECISIONS.

While professing to ignore requests for construction of law and decisions, unless coming through the channels prescribed by edict No. 63, he yet reports forty-four rulings for review of the grand lodge.

These are mostly of a distinctly local character and would be of little interest in Illinois.

In No. 2 he holds that meetings of lodges on Sunday cannot be permitted even where the membership consists mostly of mechanics who have little time for meetings during the week.

No. 5 holds that three past masters can confer the P.M. degree without being in the grand lodge at Nashville. Why confer it at all, there or elsewhere?

In No. 14 it is held that a candidate must wait one lunar month between conferring of degrees. This form of lunacy may be useful in Tennessee but in this state the brother can advance as rapidly as he can become proficient in the preceding degree.

Decision No. 19 held that a brother bringing a dimit from a Cuban lodge may petition for affiliation in Tennessee. The committee on jurisprudence and the grand lodge disagreed on the ground that Cuba had never been recognized. For that reason Cuban and Tennessee Masons were not in such fraternal relation as to justify affiliations on Cuban dimit. The committee places "other Spanish-American countries" in the same list.

A most singular decision is made in No. 37. It is there held that "it is not necessary for an officer of a lodge, who is re-elected, to be installed again." The re-installation is necessary to mark the ending and the beginning of each term, so that a proper record may be made. In case of a secretary or treasurer who must receive and account for lodge funds this re-installation might become important in fixing the liability of bondsmen.

No. 40 relates to Mexico. The grand master decides that a party holding a certificate of good standing from a Mexican lodge can not be admitted because Tennessee does not recognize the Grand Lodge of Mexico. With which position Illinois is in accord.

Here is No. 43:

When charges are preferred against a brother for non-payment of dues and he cannot be located by correspondence or otherwise, his address is unknown, and a summons cannot be served on him, what is the proper course to take?

Answer: Notice may be given by publication in the newspaper published nearest the locality of the lodge.

Some things should not be given to the outside world. This appears to be one of them. Why not take the Illinois method and mail notice to his last known address? The newspaper is no place for masonic business.

SOME RECOMMENDATIONS.

The grand master made four recommendations. Three of these were adopted.

The first requires that the younger lodge shall change its name where two or more lodges have the same name.

The second is that representatives to the grand lodge shall not be allowed their per diem when they are absent from the sessions. In this state it is found that one session a day, from 9 until 1 p.m., is sufficient to transact all the business. Brethren then have time to do the city and yet be in their places during the sessions.

The third requires each lodge to have a Masonic code and so report annually to the grand lodge.

THE GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT shows \$564.56 spent on Widows' and Orphans' Home buildings and \$14,600 for support.

INTEREST ON BALANCES.

The grand treasurer also reports having received three per cent on \$33,497.41, general fund and \$15,164.56, Widows and Orphans' Home fund, making a total compensation of \$1,232.38. No account is given to the grand lodge for daily balances of money in his hands. The grand treasurer of Tennessee is a well paid officer.

THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' HOME.

Provision is made for the support of indigent widows and orphans of Masons. The record shows as follows: thirty widows, fifty-four boys, fifty-five girls, superintendent's family, five and teachers, three. A school is maintained for the children. Average number of members of the Home is placed at 143.

The average annual cost per member is very low. In 1909 it was \$92.54. The year before it was \$96.71. In this age of high cost of living it is not easily seen how 143 people, mostly ravenous boys and girls, can be fed and clothed for such a price.

ABOUT BROTHER ROBBINS.

The committee on jurisprudence pays the following well-deserved, high tribute to our late Brother ROBBINS:

Another name in the list of the departed, whose loss to ancient craft Masonry is well nigh irreparable, is Dr. Joseph Robbins, P.G.M., Illinois, who, for a quarter-century and in the midst of all its restless changes and itching for new things, has wielded correspondent's pen with unchanging loyalty for the conservation of the unity and integrity of American Freemasonry, and ever striven to "preserve the land marks."

WAYS AND MEANS.

Instead of a finance committee, Tennessee has a "committee on Ways and Means," a la national house of representatives. It is a custom to have a portrait of the retiring grand master painted to be placed in

the archives or elsewhere. At this session the painter's bill was refused because it was not "a fair likeness of the grand master."

A SIGNET RING.

P.G.M., A.V. WARR has presented the Tennessee grand lodge with a signet ring to be worn by the grand master during his term and duly presented to his successor. This ceremony was observed near the close. The retiring grand master, in eloquent terms, transferred the signet of the Masonic Zerubbabel to the present incumbent.

Query. Does the ring always fit?

P.G.M. WARR is the representative of Illinois at the Grand Lodge of Tennessee and is the senior P.G.M., except JAMES D. RICHARDSON, who lives in Washington, D.C., and is the successor of ALBERT PIKE at the head of Scottish Rite, southern jurisdiction. It may be of interest to know that the present grand master is the son-in-law of Brother RICHARDSON.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

The report is from the pen of HENRY A. CHAMBERS and is a meaty document of seventy-seven pages. In the introduction, reference is made to the dead in the Masonic world as follows:

It may not be improper here to note the great loss to Freemasonry in general, as well as to the jurisdictions to which they belonged in particular, caused by the deaths during the past year of the aged, able, honored and distinguished Masonic writers and reviewers, the Past Grand Masters Joseph Robbins, of Illinois, William M. Cunningham, of Ohio, and in 1907, Cornelius Hedges, of Montana. Brother Robbins, as chairman, had prepared the reports of the committee on foreign correspondence of Illinois for twenty-four years; Brother Cunningham, those of Ohio also for twenty-four years; and Brother Hedges those of Montana for thirty-six years. In this and other lines of Masonic writing they had each reached such eminence in Masonic acquirement, knowledge and judgment as to be authorities on all mooted Masonic matters. Their reports had become so valuable by reason of their comments and discussions as well as their wise quotations, that their grand lodges put no limit upon their length. They were at times in the nature of Masonic treatises and occupied a large part of the annual published proceedings. We have given something of the history of each of these eminent men in our reviews herein of Illinois, Ohio and Montana.

Two pages are devoted to Illinois and these are concerned chiefly in quoting from the address of Grand Master BELL and the report of Brother Cook on foreign correspondence. Of the latter it is said:

The report on correspondence was by Past Grand Master Edward Cook, who was appointed to complete the report begun by Brother Robbins. Under Mississippi and New Jersey, it gave both sides of the negro question that has arisen between them. His comments are favor-

able to New Jersey. Tennessee for 1909 was given nearly five pages of fraternal review. In his review of Arizona, Brother Cook speaks of the position of Tennessee on the "Cipher" as "the impregnable and solid position."

The grand master is CHARLES H. BYRN, Murfreesboro; grand secretary, JOHN B. GARRETT, Nashville.

TEXAS—1909.

805 LODGES.

74TH ANNUAL.

47,701 MEMBERS.

Texas is the largest state in this country. It is territorially equal to many of the New England states massed together. It is fitting that the book of proceedings of its grand lodge should excel all others in size. Illinois requires considerable space to record its doings. In 1909 there were 694 but Texas goes it more than a hundred better with 795 pages in the same year.

NAMES OF ALL MASONS GIVEN.

In making up this large volume, 414 pages are taken up with a synopsis of each of the 805 lodges. The date of the charter, the name of every officer and every affiliated Mason in the LONE STAR state are given. This feature is a rare one and must prove of much convenience to individuals and officers in the business of lodges during the year. Pictures of three past grand masters appear. These were J. J. DAVIS, 1909; GEO. W. TYLER, 1890; and JOHN HOLLAND, Grand Master of Louisiana from 1830 to 1835. The first Texan lodge was chartered by Louisiana and called Holland Lodge after the grand master.

The 74th annual session was held at Waco, December 7, 8 and 9, 1909. Grand Master DAVIS with a full corps of officers opened the grand lodge "in due and ample form." It is also noted that of the 104 district deputy grand masters nearly all are present. Again, Texas is big, 104 districts are a little over double the number in this state.

Thirty-four representatives of other grand lodges were present, Illinois being absent.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The annual report of the grand master is a thorough business document and shows painstaking ability of a high order. Of the condition of the craft he says

I believe that it may safely be said that at no time in the history of our grand lodge have our lodges been in as successful and prosperous condition as they are at the present time. By successful and prosperous, I do not mean it in the sense of an increase in membership, for that, to my mind, is not necessarily indicative of Masonic success, but I believe that our success and prosperity should be based upon the condition of our lodges and membership, by the feeling of brotherly love existing between our members, and that peace and harmony which should obtain among our lodges.

Here is the real keynote of Freemasonry. Not bigness but goodness should be the test; quality, rather than quantity. In this line the grand master proves by his acts what he says in words.

REFUSED FIFTEEN NEW LODGES.

He refused to grant dispensations for new lodges in fifteen cases. Many of these were where the new organization would weaken an existing lodge. His motto was, one good, healthy lodge rather than two poor, sickly ones. Who will say that he is not right? Only those who are crazy for numbers.

WITHDRAWS RECOGNITION FROM MEXICO.

The withdrawal of recognition from a Mexican grand lodge called "Benito Jaurez" is reported. The grand lodge approved his action. The ground for severing relations and making these so-called Masons clandestine in Texas is given in these words. "The lodges of its obedience are wholly and grossly unmasonic and subversive of the principles and landmarks of Freemasonry, in that the great light in Masonry has been practically banished from the lodge rooms and that it is no longer required to appear upon their altars and further that the lodges themselves have degenerated until they have become little more than political clubs using the sacred name of Masonry as a cloak for their unmasonic purposes."

Mexican Masonry has been largely political and commercial and it is wise to move slowly in recognizing as legitimate these questionable grand bodies.

The grand master very properly requires that appeals for aid shall have his approval before they are sent to the lodges. In one case this was not done and the offending lodge was compelled to return all contributions received.

NO MASONIC LIFE INSURANCE.

So-called "Masonic" life insurance companies failed to gain a foothold by the vigorous action of the grand master assisted by the grand commander of the Knights Templar of Texas. The bitter ex-

perience of Masons in Illinois in this line proves the wisdom of this course. No Mason in Texas can represent such a company without laying himself liable to discipline.

GRAND MASTER'S DECISIONS.

Twenty-nine decisions are reported. Of these twelve failed of approval as they came from the committee of jurisprudence. Of the remainder few are of more than local interest.

In No. 12 a non-affiliate is denied the privilege of presiding in conferring degrees.

No. 28 said that "it is permissible for officers of the lodge to wear robes in conferring degrees." However, the committee and grand lodge decided otherwise and the officers will remain unrobed.

In No. 11 the ancient ghost of the past master's degree stalked forth as a prerequisite for installation as master. The committee on jurisprudence came to the rescue and on its resolution the ancient farce was buried again.

The grand secretary reported that all lodges had made returns and paid their dues for 1909. This is gratifying and indicates an efficient and vigilant grand secretary.

ALL SHOULD PAY DUES.

A lodge asked permission to change its by-laws so as to exempt from payment of dues members of 33 years standing. The grand lodge consented on condition that grand lodge dues were paid. Why this discrimination? Is it not as important to support and maintain the constituent lodge? Why create two classes? All are on a level. There should be no paying or non paying class. Usually the persons who want exemption are wealthy and able to pay dues while the young and hustling members are poor.

THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS HOME.

The board of directors presented its 23rd report showing this great beneficence in a healthy and prosperous condition. There are members as follows: 18 widows, 86 boys and 103 girls, in all 207. These were maintained at a per capita cost of \$172.29. Pretty good showning considering the present high cost of living. In this there is no provision for dependent Masons. This lack is soon to be supplied, however, by the Grand Chapter R.A.M. It is rather singular that for so many years the large hearted Texas Masons have not provided a resting place for the worthy distressed brother as well as his widow and orphan.

REFUSED RECOGNITION.

The committee on foreign correspondence again reported against recognizing the Grand Lodge Alpina, Switzerland because it fraternizes with the atheistic Grand Orient of France. The grand lodge approved the report. The action of the grand master in withdrawing recognition of the "Grand Lodge Benito Jaurez of the State Coahuila, Republic of Mexico" was approved by the committee and grand lodge.

THE GRAND ORATOR.

The oration was delivered by S.P. BROOKS on "Our Fraternity." It was carefully prepared and filled with excellent truths. A brief extract will show:

The principles of Masonry are somewhat like the love of God. They are all pervading, all embracing. They may satisfy the mental, moral, social or intellectual need of the man of small development or of him who has trod the paths of glory and renown through realms of the finest culture. Masonry is not a religion, though it depends on it. Its vital force is not coercion; it is love. Its precepts are implanted in the human heart; its field is the world; its citizenship, all men sound in mind and members, free born and possessed of characters that are personal. It is a democracy where every man gets a square deal and each works on the level. Emperors and kings, peasants and merchants, all alike have knocked for admittance, passed an examination in craftsmanship and then gone down in the valley and shadow of the third degree, symbolizing the fall, resurrection and redemption of the human race. In the spirit of brotherly love, in the merit of each personality, in devotion to high and holy principles, Masons true to their vows mutually surpass each other. It never drags men down. It does not depreciate royal birth; it does appreciate private worth. Promotion in Masonry comes through preferment based on real merit in the rightful use and teaching of the Esoteric work.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

This report comes from the hand of the veteran reviewer, THOS. M. MATTHEWS, SR., who for the 25th time presents the conditions of Masonry throughout the world. The report is brief but valuable. It shows the touch of a master mind in the realm of Masonry. Three pages are devoted to Illinois with an apology on account of the very short time between receiving the proceedings and going to press with his report. No excuse is needed. He agrees that Brother BELL was a busy man. He adds

That Grand Master Bell made a most efficient and painstaking officer goes without the saying, and is abundantly proved by his exceptionally able address, which abounds in good suggestions and full of lofty Masonic thought. The recommendation that the grand lodges take necessary steps to erect a temple for a permanent home was referred to a special committee to report thereon at the next session.

RECOGNITION OF VALLE DE MEXICO.

Brother MATTHEWS does not agree with the report of the special committee and action of the grand lodge in refusing recognition to the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico. He attributes the report of the committee to the domination of Brother ROBBINS. If he knew Past Grand Masters CRAWFORD and WRIGHT, who with the writer joined with Brother ROBBINS in the report of the special committee he would scarcely consider it a one man opinion. He heartily agrees with Brother MOULTON'S views as submitted. He adds, "We are very sorry, however, that the recognition was refused. For some reason Brother ROBBINS never had a very good opinion of Masonry in Mexico." What basis is there for a good opinion? At the session of the Texas grand lodge, now under review, Brother MATTHEWS approved the action of Grand Master DAVIS in withdrawing recognition of the Mexican body "Benito Jaurez" for gross unmasonic conduct and subversion of the fundamental principles of ancient craft Masonry. Possibly Illinois fears that in being hasty in recognizing Valle de Mexico it might be compelled to take a back track as Texas has just done.

BAD MEMORIES OF MEXICO.

Recollection of the Gran Dieta Simbolica and its attendant scandals which suffocated it in its own foul atmosphere would hardly give Brother ROBBINS or any other Mason a "good opinion of Masonry in Mexico." When it is recalled that Valle de Mexico is the legatee of Gran Dieta little reason is given for a good opinion. The splitting up of one lodge La Union Fraternal into three, at least two of the resultant fragments were without charter. La Union Fraternal was itself illegitimate as its parentage was clandestine. Out of such material Valle de Mexico came. At the time recognition was denied it had twenty-nine lodges, fifteen American rite and fourteen Scottish rite. Considering all this no good reason has ever been given for a good opinion of Masonry in Mexico.

GOOD ADVICE IGNORED.

Brother MATTHEWS urges all to read carefully and ponder well what Brother COOK says and then quotes him as follows:

Conservative by nature and growing more so with advancing years, we are inclined to deprecate sincerely the tendencies towards innovations and modernization which crop out from time to time. We firmly believe, however, that the great heart of the fraternity is in the right place and that it beats true to the principles and landmarks which the fathers fixed for our government. Some of the younger brethren fail to take themselves and the institution as seriously as they should. They are quite too prone to be carried away with vague notions of universality, general grand bodies, society functions, high sounding titles.

and the spectacular displays which in the name and under the guise of Masonry obtrude themselves on their attention.

Why not apply Brother COOK's sound philosophy to the recognition of spurious and questionable grand lodges?

BROTHER COOK'S REPORT.

Of the excellent report on correspondence prepared by Bro. EDWARD COOK Bro. MATTHEWS says:

In a volume of 343 pages, we have, through the courtesy of the author, in advance of the proceedings proper, the report upon foreign correspondence, furnished by Grand Master Bro. Edward Cook, who succeeds the erstwhile correspondent, our lamented friend and brother, Past Grand Master Joseph Robbins, of whom a fine half-tone likeness adorns the volume as its frontispiece.

With a very modest, but beautiful, eloquent and strongly written introduction, Bro. Cook presents his report, and though he apologizes for what he terms his "lack of equipment for the work, and his entire want of experience," he evidences plainly that he is no neophyte, and need not to have done so. With a single bound he has easily placed himself in the front rank of the Reviewer's Corps, and proved beyond cavil that the mantle of the erudite and talented Robbins has fallen upon worthy and capable shoulders. His tribute to Brother Robbins is one of the most beautiful, truthful, and tender, we have ever known paid to any man, and as one who, for twenty-five years sat at the reviewer's table with, and had learned to respect, honor, aye, and to love him, too, from the bottom of our heart, we thank Brother Cook.

THE COMANCHE VS. THE NEGRO.

Brother MATTHEWS concludes by disagreeing with Brother COOK regarding the negro question between Mississippi and New Jersey. He thinks "the Comanche Indian is made of finer clay than is the negro." Possibly, but the black man after centuries of the degradation of slavery has done pretty well in so brief a time since he became a man instead of a chattel. FRED DOUGLAS, BROOKER T. WASHINGTON and many other black men rank pretty well with any Comanche shown in history. However, it is not so much the color of the skin as the quality of the character that should be considered. As this is not the "funeral" of the writer he will let it rest as Brother MATTHEWS and Brother COOK left it. The Texas correspondent certainly writes an able and readable report.

The grand master is T.C. YANTIS, Brownwood; grand secretary, JOHN WATSON, Waco.

UTAH—1910.

14 LODGES.

39TH ANNUAL.

1,638 MEMBERS.

The Grand Lodge of Utah, though limited in its membership and limited in available population from which to draw, is nevertheless a busy body and one which stands out for the true principles of the ancient fraternity.

LIMITED BY MORMONS.

The Mormon church is the greatest secret society in Utah and by its large membership makes the field for Masonry a rather narrow one. Reports at the 39th annual meeting held at Odgen, January 18 and 19, 1910, show masonry to be in a most flourishing condition. The largest gain in membership since 1873 was made last year. Among the thirty-four grand lodges represented Illinois had a place.

P.G.M. KING of Wyoming, was present and was received with a cordial and fraternal welcome and the grand honors.

The annual address of grand master, FRED C. SCHRAMM, was brief and pointed, being confined to the details of work of the year.

DON'T RUSH TO HIGHER (?) DEGREES.

The following extract contains much that is worth considering everywhere:

We have not only made the greatest gain in membership, with the exception of the year 1873, that we have ever made (and we have made none at sight) in a like period, but throughout the entire jurisdiction it seems to have been the ambition of the officers and members of all the lodges to not only improve the standard of their ritualistic work, but they are also more scrutinizing and particular in the selection of the material from which they are making Masons—and we cannot be too careful in this respect.

It has often been said by Masons that the Masonic institution is growing too fast. Men are so anxious to receive their degree in a hurried way and advance to the so-called higher degrees with the ultimate desire of becoming members of the Mystic Shrine, that the beautiful and impressive lessons of the first three degrees are often forgotten and the men who have received them in a careless and hurried manner are seldom if ever seen in the Blue Lodge except perhaps once a year on election night, when they come and cast their ballot for the advancement of the brethren who happen to be in line of promotion, without knowledge of their proficiency, their attention to their duties or their worthiness to advance.

There must be a remedy for this and while many jurisdictions discontinue the custom of requiring a certain length of time to elapse between the taking of the degrees, still I am of the opinion that it is a

good one nevertheless, and I recommend the passing of a law requiring at least two weeks to elapse between the conferring of each of the degrees except in case where the candidate's business affairs be such as to require him to leave the country, or some other emergency, in which case permission should be obtained from the grand master to waive such time as he may see fit.

The suggestion of a time between degrees was taken up by the grand lodge and made a law.

DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE.

Owing to the existence of clandestine lodges the grand master recommended that documentary evidence be required from visitors from other places. A uniform receipt for dues furnished by the grand secretary with his certificate that the lodge is regular was suggested. This will bear consideration.

FUNERAL EXPENSES.

Excessive funeral expenses called out a recommendation that lodges be restricted to \$100 in defraying the expenses of burial when paid out of lodge treasuries. Extravagance in funerals is not confined to those where Masons are concerned but is an evil which afflicts people in all circles of society. People least able to pay try to rival their rich neighbors, leaving themselves often hopelessly in debt and sometimes in want.

A MASONIC PATRIARCH.

The veteran grand secretary CHRISTOPHER DIEHL, closed his 39th year of continuous service and was unanimously elected for the 40th.

Masonry in Utah is largely what Brother DIEHL has made it. In addition to being grand secretary he is librarian of the grand lodge and the committee on correspondence. The masonic world with one voice expresses the hope for yet many more years of useful service.

RECOGNITION OF OTHER GRAND LODGES.

In a special report on correspondence Brother DIEHL recommended that the Grand Lodges of San Salvador and Nicaragua be required to await further evidence of regularity. They were not recognized. The Grand Lodge of Oklahoma having complied with all requirements was taken into full fellowship of the Masonic family.

LODGES MUST CONTROL.

A resolution holding that lodges should be prohibited from serving intoxicants within any Masonic hall or temple during the hours of refreshment was hotly debated and voted down. This is a rather strange

outcome. Masonry can hardly afford to allow lodges to serve liquors in the hall or any place adjacent thereto.

No decisions were reported.

GRAND LODGE AT WORK.

On Tuesday evening the grand lodge under the direction of the acting grand lecturer organized its forces and conferred the degree of Master Mason for the benefit and instruction of the representatives present.

FRATERNAL GREETINGS.

Representatives of other grand lodges were invited to the grand east and extended the greetings of the grand lodge of Utah and given the grand honors. P.G.M. HEYWOOD responded on behalf of all the representatives of the grand lodges of the world.

Steps were taken to give the grand lodge legal existence by incorporating under the laws of the State of Utah.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

CHRISTOPHER DIEHL presented his 34th annual review of the proceedings of the grand lodges of the world. Brother DIEHL, speaking of himself and his work, says, "We soon will pass life's 79th mile stone and while our body and mind are still in the harness, yet we feel oftentimes very tired and long for rest. It is the law of nature that all human life must end. This being so the present report may be our swan song. And if it should be would it be too much to ask our brethren to read it." The report is quite worth the reading asked for it. It is a mine of valuable treasures gathered from a life replete with good deeds and noble living.

Illinois receives liberal treatment.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

He refers to the annual address of the grand master as follows:

The address of Grand Master BELL is a strong Masonic document and dignity is added to it by its simple diction. In plain language does he submit to the grand lodge what he thought the brethren should be informed of and in a perfectly understandable form. To verify our opinion we quote this brief sentence from the exordium: "The affairs of this grand lodge and of its many constituent lodges are in a most prosperous condition."

He refers to Brother BELL's position regarding a national grand lodge in the Philadelphia conference and heartily approves it.

Regarding the action of Illinois in refusing to recognize Valle de Mexico, Brother DIEHL does not venture an opinion.

WORTH READING.

Of the annual oration the correspondent says, "The annual oration was delivered by Bro. EUCLID B. ROGERS, his theme being: 'The World Growing Better.' It is something new and well worth reading. We have enjoyed it."

ABOUT BROTHER ROBBINS.

Brother DIEHL says:

Coming to the report on correspondence we first behold a portrait of our dear departed friend and brother, Joseph Robbins, past grand master, and for nigh a quarter of a century chairman of the committee on correspondence. Brother Robbins toiled for two-score years and ten for the interest of the Masonic institution, and all he needed to claim a place among the immortal masonic thinkers, historians and authors was to show his record. His Masonic life and work were an inspiration to every masonic student and will be an inspiration to future generations. Among the trees in the forest of Masons he was a great oak under whose shadow thousands of Masons inhaled the real worth of Masonry, but when the worms had destroyed the inward vitality of the stately tree it fell and all the forest was trembling before the mighty destruction. May the grave under which he sleeps be kept green and bedecked with flowers, and may it never be disturbed by storms. Brother Robbins, farewell.

BROTHER COOK'S REPORT.

The correspondent says:

Brother Cook wears the mantle of Brother Robbins splendidly and we bid him a hearty welcome to the clubroom of the reviewers' guild. He reviews the proceedings of sixty-four grand lodges, devoting thereto 343 pages, including a very valuable index. In the introduction we are informed that the proceedings of Utah had been reviewed by our own Past Grand Master Abram Dale Gash, "now a resident of Chicago, and a member of Edgewater lodge, whose poetic hand they will readily recognize." Indeed we did, and are glad to meet him in this field of Masonic labor.

In his conclusion Brother DIEHL puts emphasis on the need of "documentary evidence" and argues it ably at some length. As the representative of Utah near the grand lodge of Illinois since 1885, the writer approached the task of reviewing this grand lodge with more than ordinary interest. He feels repaid for the study of this small but excellent grand lodge.

Grand master, CHARLES B. JACK, Salt Lake City; grand secretary, CHRISTOPHER DIEHL, Salt Lake City.

VERMONT—1910.

104 LODGES.

117TH ANNUAL.

12,933 MEMBERS.

"Organized 1794" is the rather ancient announcement on the outside cover page of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Vermont for 1910. The annual meeting was held at Burlington June 15 and 16. The handsome face of LEE S. TILLOTSON, the retiring grand master, embellishes the volume as a frontispiece. He had served two years. The book opens with the record of a number of specials held for dedications and various other purposes. There were present seventeen grand officers, twenty-four permanent members, nine district deputies and ninety-three representatives of constituent lodges. There were thirty-one representatives of grand lodges recorded as being in attendance. P.G.M. DELOS M. BACON, who represents Illinois, was of the number.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

Grand Master TILLOTSON made a most excellent report of the business in his hands for the past year. A single statement will suffice to show the breadth and scope of his vision of Masonry. He says that

In order to survive, in its original form and character, the changes, the advancements, the increased knowledge and the varying inclinations of mankind, necessarily incident to the development of a great country, an organization must be founded upon correct principle and have some definite and commendable object in view.

KINDNESS MIGHT HAVE SAVED THEM.

He notes that there were two suicides over whom as grand master he was called to officiate and adds with much fervent pathos

I looked into the tearful and agonized faces of the brethren assembled on those occasions, and the thought came to me with awful force that if just one brother had been at hand at the crucial moment to offer calm and affectionate counsel and help, the awful catastrophe might have been prevented. We live too much to ourselves. An independent man does not seek help, in fact he often shrinks from it; but there are many ways in which we may give encouragement and impart mental strength to a brother without seeming to offer it, but in order to do so it is necessary that we keep constantly in touch with the lives of those around us. *Give your flowers to the living and you will have no bitter tears for the dead.*

The appointment of Bro. I. H. TODD, of E. St. Louis, as the representative of Vermont near our grand lodge is reported.

THE MASONIC TEMPLE.

There be those who believe it a good thing for a grand lodge to embark in the business of building and maintaining a masonic temple

of which all may be proud. A hasty glance at the experience of Vermont shows that there is grief as well as pride in such an enterprise.

1st. The taxing powers are making the grand lodge stoop-shouldered in carrying the load they impose. For 1909 the taxes were \$1,020 and paid under protest, the same as the year before. Suit is pending to recover taxes for 1905, 6, 7.

2. There is a temple debt of \$40,000 with the usual embellishment of 5 per cent interest. Other items of expense have made the pride of the craft in their temple rather costly. The prospect for care of needy Masons, their widows and orphans, is small with such a handicap.

3. The grand master urged the levy of a tax of one dollar per member per annum to pay off the debt. This created considerable friction among lodges and in some cases almost open rebellion. The finance committee recommended that the extra temple assessment be made 50c per member for four years only, to pay off the debt. This was lost by a vote of 110 to 174. The whole matter then remains without change. The story of "the devil and the deep sea" might interest our Green Mountain brethren.

DECISIONS.

The grand master reported seven decisions. Only one is of outside interest. It is as follows:

One who had received the first and second degrees was arrested for and convicted of stealing. No charges were preferred against him in the lodge. After he had satisfied the penalty imposed upon him by the law, he made application for his third degree. *Held* that if no objection was made by any member of the lodge he was entitled, in the discretion of the master, to be raised, but that, under the circumstances the master should cause careful investigation to be made and notice of the application to be sent to all resident members of the lodge.

What could he find out upon investigation not already known? Penitentiary graduates do not make very reputable Master Masons.

A RUCTION WITH SCOTLAND.

A resident at Barre, Vt., went on a short visit to Scotland. While there he was made a Master Mason without the knowledge or consent of the lodge within whose jurisdiction he resided. The Grand Lodge of Scotland justified the action of its subordinate by saying that they did not recognize territorial jurisdiction. Whereupon Grand Master TILLORSON issued an edict which concluded with this righteous sentence

Now, therefore, you are hereby directed to hold no masonic intercourse with said Charles Keith until such time as he shall receive the masonic degrees in a regular manner as recognized by the Grand Lodge of Vermont.

Surely the Scottish craftsmen must realize that they should respect the rights of other grand lodges as embodied in their laws. Not to do so would be to invite anarchy in the masonic world.

OUTSIDE CHARITY.

The grand master directed the grand treasurer to pay the burial expenses amounting to \$94 of a man who committed suicide in Florida. The dead man was a suspended Mason. His father was a faithful Mason during his lifetime. The mother and sister asked the assistance on the ground of being the widow and daughter of a Mason. The grand master's action was heartily commended by the grand lodge. Masonic charity is nothing over which to split hairs. An appeal for the help of suffering humanity does not find deaf masonic ears.

A FITTING TRIBUTE.

Under the heading "Illinois" the committee on necrology pays the following just and tender tribute.

M.W. Joseph Robbins, past grand master, died July 19, 1909.

"A stalwart leader stricken low.
Words cannot magnify his worth.
His work is ended and his fame secure."

The committee on correspondence does not review Illinois. No explanation is made, but presumably our proceedings did not reach the reviewer, P.G.M. MARSH O. PERKINS. The report covers seventy-nine pages and is written in an attractive manner.

Grand master, HENRY L. BALLOU, Chester; grand secretary, HENRY H. ROSS, Burlington.

VICTORIA—1909.

210 LODGES. NO. OF YEAR AND MEMBERSHIP NOT GIVEN.

No review was made of Victoria last year owing to the failure of Brother COOK to receive the proceedings.

A modest book of ninety-four pages in conventional "blue" gives the doings of four quarterly sessions of the United Grand Lodge of Victoria for 1909. Meetings were held at Melbourne in March, June, September and December. At none of these does the name of the representative of Illinois appear, though the records show that he lives in Melbourne.

Little is recorded except mere matters of routine details and of no interest outside.

A NEW GRAND MASTER.

At the meeting in March a new grand master was installed. The ceremony was conducted by M.W. Bro. SAMUEL J. WAY, grand master of South Australia. The new grand master was THOMAS D. GIBSON-CARMICHAEL, the governor of the province. It is quite the custom to make the representative of the British government the grand master of the grand lodge. Brother CARMICHAEL had the distinction of being the grand master of Scotland on his arrival in Victoria. By accepting the King's appointee as governor and placing him at the head of Freemasonry the loyalty of the craft is abundantly shown. M.W. Bro. WAY made an interesting address recounting his intimate relation with the Grand Lodge of Victoria.

A contemplated visit of Lord KITCHENER was noted and provisions made for his reception.

The absence of Grand Secretary BRAIM was noted. He was detained on account of serious illness. It was his first absence in fifteen years. A letter of sympathy was sent.

Grand master, T. D. GIBSON-CARMICHAEL, Melbourne; grand secretary, JOHN BRAIM, Melbourne.

VIRGINIA—1910.

312 LODGES.

132ND ANNUAL.

20,732 MEMBERS.

Virginia is not only "the mother of presidents" but, judging from the length of time her grand lodge has been doing business, is a close rival for the honor of being the mother of Masonry in America. Massachusetts and Pennsylvania may dispute honors with the old commonwealth but no others need apply.

At Richmond on February 8, 1910, was begun the 132nd annual communication. From beginning to close the proceedings were full of interest. Grand Master EGGLESTON was "on the throne" as our English brethren are fond of saying. Among representatives of grand lodges appears the name, W. L. ANDREWS, who stands for Illinois.

HONORED VISITORS.

Among the early scenes was the reception of a distinguished coterie of visitors from other states. These were Most Worshipfuls DANA J.

FLANDERS, grand master of Massachusetts; THOMAS J. SHRYOCK, grand master of Maryland; THOS. J. DAY, past grand master of Delaware, and Rt. Worshipful FRANK T. BARRON, deputy grand master of Massachusetts. They were presented and "saluted according to the ancient custom of Masons and each eloquently and happily addressed the grand lodge." This pleasant incident ended, the grand lodge plunged into the business of the session.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

Grand Master JOS. W. EGGLETON, presented his report in a readable and comprehensive form. This completes his two-year term. In most states grand masters serve but one year. The pressure of those who have the laudable ambition to sit in the Grand East holds the grand lodge to the one-term idea. Often this is to the detriment of Masonry. A man who assumes the extensive and intricate duties of grand master scarcely learns the simple routine of his work before he must step aside for another equally inexperienced as himself. Any man fit to be grand master can multiply his usefulness to the craft in his second year. While, not believing in the life principle as practiced in Maryland, it can be easily seen that at least a second year is necessary to the highest usefulness of one who is called to be the head of Masonry in a great state. Illinois agrees with Virginia in the two-year term idea.

CONCERNED FOR THE HUMBLE BROTHER.

The grand master wields a facile pen. The following paragraph from his address shows that he is thoroughly in sympathy with the humblest craftsman. He says

One lesson I have learned that all should learn. I fear that some among you, prosperous and successful, educated, and surrounded by every comfort, with congenial environment in your private lives, do not fully realize what Masonry means to others less happily situated. To some it is all the education they have; its ritual their only instruction in the higher ideals and finer things of life, and that ritual clothed in language that is to them sublime. Many of them look forward all the month to the lodge meeting. Its comfortable room and its genial companionship are the bright spots in many meagre lives of toil and discomfort. They enjoy the handshake of their brethren as some of you can never realize. Let us be more careful, brethren, in our treatment of them. Which of us would knowingly send one poor brother home wounded and sick at heart? And yet I fear we often thoughtlessly do and never know it.

ONE VACANT CHAIR.

After the grand master had completed his report and felicitated the grand lodge on the fact that the ranks of grand officers were unbroken, he was compelled to change his address to note the death of Past Grand Master KOSCIUSKO KEMPER. A high tribute is paid his memory.

BELIEVES IN IT.

The grand master has views on the right of a grand master to make a Mason "at sight" and does not hesitate to exploit them. Growing out of the Ohio-TART incident he says:

There has been much comment on this affair, and my individual views are of little consequence; but, for what they are worth, they are that the grand master had the right to do the act, and that the selection of the candidate was his business, not ours. I steadfastly hold the doctrine that this right is a landmark which no grand lodge can alter. And yet I have not exercised this power myself, simply because some of my brethren do not approve of it; and, as a secondary reason, I do not see how it can, under modern conditions, ever be necessary again. Had the necessity arisen, and all my brethren approved, I would not have hesitated to make a Mason at sight, but I would have preferred as candidate some worthy poor brother unable to pay the usual fees.

GOING WELL WITH THEM.

That Masonry in the "old dominion" flourishes may be seen by the following triumphant note:

Masonry in Virginia is at high tide. High tide in numbers, in skill in the ritual, in financial prosperity, and, best of all, in devotion to the exalted principles that go to make a Mason in every best sense a *man*.

Much of the credit for this condition he gives to the efficient corps of district deputies.

MASONRY A GOOD CREDENTIAL.

The grand master tells of going to a lodge U.D. and conferring the 3rd degree in person. He then relates the following incident as a sequence:

A striking circumstance resulted from this visit. The candidate whom I raised left next day for the Isthmus of Panama. He was an accomplished railroad man, and on arrival stood a good examination and applied for a situation. The officer empowered to make the appointment complimented him on his examination, but asked for his credentials, or some letter of recommendation. The young man replied that his baggage had gone astray, and that his papers could not arrive till another ship came from New York. He was about to lose his chance, when the officer noticed on his coat collar a masonic pin, and asked if he had a right to wear it. He replied: "The night before I left home I was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason by the grand master of Virginia in person." He was promptly told: "That is all the recommendation I want. Why did not you say so at first? Go to work Monday morning. Your salary is \$150 a month.

VIRGINIA LAW.

The grand master submits twenty-one decisions growing out of the law of his state. But few of these are of outside interest. In No. 4 he

says that the dedication of any building other than one to be used for masonic purposes does not constitute a masonic occasion and forbids lodges from such ceremonies. In No. 8 it is held that a lodge cannot "call off" for the heated term. Each lodge must hold at least one stated meeting in each calendar month. In Illinois the law provides that lodges cannot suspend for a season unless authorized by a dispensation issued by the grand master. It is decided in No. 14 that a petitioner who is elected and allows one year to pass cannot be initiated without being again balloted for and elected. No. 15 is as follows:

That if a lodge should acquit an accused of the charges and specifications made against him by a voluntary accuser, such charges and specifications appearing to it groundless, being the result of hatred, malice or unwarrantable passion, the penalty which the accused would have incurred, had he been found guilty, should then and there be imposed on the accuser.

To an outsider this appears to be pretty close to the right. A fractious member will hesitate to start trouble if he is likely to get the penalty he seeks for the other fellow unloaded on himself.

No. 18 is unique. It says, "that a past master can be elected an honorary member of a lodge of which he is already a member." This suggests two queries. 1st. Why confine this honor to past masters? A past master is merely a member of his lodge after his term is completed and is just as good as any other member if he behaves himself as well. There is no room in Masonry for favors to one class over another. 2nd. When a man is a member of a lodge what more can be added by making him an "honorary" member? His membership gives him every right and distinction that a lodge can confer. However, as the girl said when her beau wanted to hug her, "It does him a lot of good and does not hurt me," so, if Virginia wants to indulge in twin-membership no one outside needs to complain.

No. 20 very sensibly holds "that a lodge cannot turn out on parade with other organizations as part of a carnival procession."

THE MASONIC HOME.

Virginia has a successful Home for masonic orphans. There are sixty boys and girls there under the care of the Masons of that state. From reports the Home appears to be successfully managed. The annual per capita cost is about \$225. It appears that a large "temple debt" somewhat interferes with the financial side of the case. If grand lodges put their money into temples they cannot have it for the legitimate purposes of Masonry.

There is no provision made for the care of aged and indigent Masons and their wives and widows. A movement is on foot to supply

this much needed adjunct to the other well equipped agencies for benevolence and charity.

MASONRY TOO CHEAP.

The grand master urged that the fees for the degrees be raised. He thinks the people respect Masonry more when it costs something to get in. It is suggested that a raise of \$5 be required and that this sum be turned over to the grand lodge for the Masonic Home.

On account of poor health JOHN W. KELLAM, deputy grand master, wrote declining to be elected grand master. In consequence the senior grand warden was made grand master.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

The annual review of grand lodges is made by the retiring grand master, JOSEPH W. EGGLESTON. He presents an excellent report as he has done for years past. Brother EGGLESTON finds it difficult to be modest and yet present the comments of other reviewers on his work as grand master and correspondent. This is a dilemma indeed. Our brother's work is so excellent that correspondents find little to criticize and much to commend. Hence the embarrassment.

TREATS ILLINOIS WELL.

About six pages are devoted to our session of 1909.

Of Brother BELL he speaks such words of commendation as please Illinois Masons who appreciate our junior past grand master at his full value. Hear him.

We promise to "draw it mild." Perhaps no praises we could here shower on Brother Bell would arouse jealousy, or fail of full endorsement by any one of the splendid men who gathered in council in Philadelphia and again in Baltimore, but to freely tell of the admiration he aroused and the friendships he made would sound invidious. The writer admired them all, learned to love some with whom he was most intimately thrown by circumstances, but values more one sentence, "I love you, old boy," in a personal letter received lately from that brilliant and scholarly orator and lovable man, than any other incident connected with either occasion.

He then quotes at length from the committee on grand master's address concerning Brother BELL's work.

THE BIG SIX.

Referring to the grand master's tribute to Brother ROBBINS and quoting largely from the same the reviewer adds:

To those interested in these reviews, and to the younger scribes, we again relate that more than twenty years ago there was what was

known as "The Big Six" in masonic literary circles. It consisted of the following reviewers: Drummond, of Maine; Vaux, of Pennsylvania; Vincil, of Missouri; Parvin, of Iowa; Robbins, of Illinois, and Drinkard, of Virginia. The last of these to lay down the pen was Joseph Robbins, M.D., of Illinois. He died July 19, 1909, at Quincy.

BROTHER COOK'S REPORT.

The reviewer designates Brother COOK's work as "masterly" but does not quote from it or otherwise discuss it except to say "thank you" for its kindly references to him. He gives the method of his appointment as agreed upon between Brother ROBBINS and Brother BELL.

Grand master, WM. B. MCCHESENEY, Staunton; grand secretary, GEO. W. CARRINGTON, Richmond.

WASHINGTON—1909.

166 LODGES.

52ND ANNUAL.

13,500 MEMBERS.

Toward the land of the setting sun is found the evidence of vigor and industry in promulgating the principles of the craft. A well printed and well prepared book of 350 pages tells the Masonic story of a year's work in the state of Washington. Excellent pictures of Grand Master GOVE and Grand Secretary TYLER are used to beautify and adorn this volume. Thirty-eight representatives of other grand lodges answered to roll call. Illinois' ambassador was not present.

The junior grand warden was quarantined by scarlet fever in his home and could only wire his "heart-broken" regrets.

The grand master's address was so elaborate and so intensely local as to contain little of interest to an outsider. He gives an excellent historic summary of Masonry in his state and no doubt greatly helps those who are less informed. The death of R.W. Brother MUNN was noted.

ABOUT THEIR LAW.

But two decisions were reported. The first of these held that a stationary engineer employed in a brewery is not eligible for affiliation. This appears to be pretty drastic on the liquor question but it is the law in Washington. Perhaps if the engineer were known his sober personality might overcome any reflection on his character by reason of his connection with a bad business.

The second decision is that a petition for affiliation from one who was a member of Grand Orient of France can not be received. There can be no objection to the applicant petitioning for degrees; and, if elected, it will be necessary to renounce the Grand Orient of France before receiving them.

The law was amended so as to read as follows:

Hereafter it shall be a Masonic offense for a Mason in this jurisdiction to enter into the business of selling intoxicating liquors as a beverage.

This was on report of committee on jurisprudence. There is little quarter given here to booze merchants. . A further amendment is that while attendance at divine services by lodges is commended yet "Easter observance is not a masonic occasion for blue lodges."

HOME MOVEMENT IS SLOW.

The Masonic Home movement goes slowly. The grand master says—

Seventeen years ago Grand Master Amos recommended that a fund be set apart for the establishment of a Masonic Home, since which time other grand masters have urged the suggestion and a small tax for this purpose has been levied.

During the past nine years our grand lodge has accumulated about forty-five thousand dollars for the building of a Masonic Home. We should not be unmindful of the fact that the initial outlay for suitable grounds and a well arranged home is no small sum, and that the cost of maintenance of a home and the necessary repairs is no small item. If we are serious in regard to our declarations to establish and maintain a Masonic Home, we are certainly very deliberate in our movements. Either our assessments should be increased or some other plan should be devised to accumulate funds.

A good many helpless Masous, their widows and orphans may have died of hopes deferred while our Washington brethren have "deliberated."

OHIO WRONG.

Making a Mason at sight is not in favor on this part of the Pacific Coast. The grand master seriously criticizes Ohio for making President TAFT a Mason in this way. However, the grand lodge adopted the report of the committee on foreign correspondence which contained the following paragraph:

The matter of making Masous at sight is a vexed question, and while in my opinion it has no warrant in the written law of Masonry, nor can it be sustained as a prerogative of the grand master, the right is maintained by many eminent and cultured Masonic students. By some it is even insisted that it is a landmark. It is not only warranted but expressly sanctioned by the constitution of the Grand Lodge

of Ohio, and so long as the grand master of that jurisdiction acted not only within the rule as he understood it to be, but as defined by the constitution, it would in my judgment be unwise and unmasonic to criticise or express disapproval by the adoption of any formal resolution. It is a matter that the brethren of Ohio have a right to determine for themselves; their conduct furnishes no precedent by which we can be bound, and the matter is not a proper one for discussion by us, except as an abstract proposition of Masonic law.

OUT OF DATE MASONRY.

As a sample of out of date Masonry it may be recorded that the "announcement was made by the grand lecturer that the past master's degree will be conferred at the close of the afternoon session." Illinois put this degree away among its antique curios many great suns ago.

GEORGE LAWLER delivered a carefully prepared and lengthy oration on the "Priceless Heritage of Masonry."

Owing to excellent service and his delicate physical condition Grand Secretary TYLER was granted a ninety days leave of absence without loss of salary, the grand lecturer to perform his duties during his vacation.

THE REVIEW.

The correspondence report was from the pen of STEPHEN J. CHADWICK and shows the skill of a forceful writer. Illinois is treated liberally, being given about eight pages. Five of these are filled with extracts from Brother ROBBINS' 1908 report.

Brother BELL's annual address is drawn on for liberal supplies of sound and wholesome masonic teachings. The coronation of Bro. FAY HEMPSTEAD as "poet laureate of Masonry" is noted.

OUR ORATOR.

Brother BEACH's oration receives attention in these words.

An oration of more than ordinary merit was delivered by R.W. Brother Elmer E. Beach, who addressed the grand lodge upon the subject "International Brotherhood." Its sentiment is in harmony with the Peace Resolution introduced two years ago by Brother Gorham.

A lengthy quotation then follows.

On the recognition of Valle de Mexico Brother CHADWICK observes that—

A special committee of five to report on the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was appointed. Brother Robbins is chairman, and we shall look forward to a complete report on this vexed question, although it was only last year that Brother Robbins dealt it a body blow.

BROTHER ROBBINS' HAND BOOK.

Perhaps no sentence in this excellent report carries greater force of truth than this, "The report on correspondence by Bro. JOSEPH ROBBINS is another valuable handbook of Masonry." Several pages then follow filled with quotations from Brother ROBBINS' "handbook." On one other point Brother CHADWICK comments by saying that—

Brother Robbins takes issue with our rule that an E.A. or F.C. who engages in the liquor business can be denied advancement, saying that he is not advised whether it is judicially made law or a rule duly enacted, or a deduction from such. He regards this as class legislation and an invasion of the right of the individual and the lodge to settle all such questions at the ballot box. Inasmuch as the right of one engaged or engaging in the liquor business is no longer an open question in this jurisdiction, discussion on our part would be profitless.

The grand master is WILLIAM R. BAKER, Colville; grand secretary, HORACE W. TYLER, Tacoma.

 WESTERN AUSTRALIA—1909.

85 LODGES.

9TH ANNUAL.

3,750 MEMBERS.

This volume is ornamented with a fine picture of R.W. Bro. THOMAS SHERWOOD, past deputy grand master, as a frontispiece. Three quarterly sessions and the annual communication are recorded in a well printed volume of 281 pages.

Owing to the absence of the grand master, Pro Grand Master M.W. Bro. NEWTON JAMES MOORE was at the helm at the quarterly meetings in July and October, 1908. The quarterly held in January and the annual in April, 1909, were presided over by M.W. Bro. C. O. L. RILEY, who has the additional honor of being a D.D. and "the Lord Bishop of Perth."

Twenty-six representatives of other grand lodges were present. Each was presented to and received by the grand master, himself being the representative of the Grand Lodge of England.

The pro grand master at the quarterly meetings in July and October notes the amicable relations now existing between Western Australia and the Grand Lodge of Scotland. The severe storm that had been quelled the year previous left a gracious fraternal calm in which these good brethren heartily rejoice. The presiding pro grand master became the envoy of the Scottish brethren.

KEPT THE BISHOP IN.

When the time for election came the grand master modestly disclaimed any desire to remain in that exalted station "if it is keeping anyone else out of this honorable position, but my services are at your command." The grand master, BISHOP RILEY, was thereupon elected for the sixth time without a dissenting voice or vote.

In his address the grand master notes the fact that some members had to travel 1,500 miles and many had to come as much as 600. From this we get a slight idea of the vast territory covered by the jurisdiction of Western Australia.

ORGANIZING FOR CHARITY.

That a practical charity is well under way is shown by this extract from the annual address:

Another reason I should like to mention for being proud of this office, is that for many years many of you have been hoping that our masonic charities would be visible and real—thanks to the energy of a few and the liberality of many, a masonic charity is being rapidly built up which will be I hope of great benefit in the future not only to those who receive but to those who give.

Even with less than 4,000 members this ambitious, young grand body is preparing to care for the indigent Mason, his widow and orphan. "The widows', orphans' and aged Masons' fund is 2,365 pounds" or almost \$12,000.

ALL HAVE PAID UP.

The grand master notes that "for the seventh year in succession there is not a single lodge in the entire jurisdiction in arrear." He then adds "that the first delinquent lodge to make a break in this splendid record will be in anything but an enviable position." Our Western Australian brethren have caught the spirit of fidelity so long characteristic of the Masons of Illinois. For many years not one of the nearly 900 lodges in Illinois has been delinquent to the grand lodge. With only eighty-five lodges the task is much easier than with our very large number. Much of the credit for our superb condition goes to our late grand secretary, R.W. Bro. J. H. C. DILL and his very efficient successor, R.W. Bro. ISAAC CUTTER.

SCRUTINEERS.

When the time for election came the record says that "prior to the ballot being taken the M.W. grand master appointed the following brethren to act as *scrutineers*." Our grand master appoints a board of

"tellers," but there is little in a name, as the "scrutineers" are simply American "tellers." However, the new word looks a little strange, yet its genealogy makes it regular.

NO APOLOGIES NEEDED.

Twenty-one representatives of other grand lodges sent "apologies" for their absence. The ambassador for Illinois, V.W. Bro. F. R. PERROT, had nothing to apologize for, as he was present to represent the dignity of our grand jurisdiction with its 96,000 members.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

The report on correspondence is the product of a committee of seven of which the grand secretary, J. D. STEVENSON, is chairman. From the initials appended P. G. D. LAVATER is the writer of the report. The presence is noted of R.W. Bro. H. T. BURNAP, the representative of Western Australia, at our grand lodge. After quoting at some length from the annual address of Grand Master BELL, the committee adds:

We do not know, at this distance, how much time the Illinois grand master gives to the affairs of his grand lodge, but we venture the opinion that if he has a private business to attend to, he does fully two men's work during the whole of his tenure of office. The amount of grand lodge work personally attended to by the grand master is surprising. In America the office is no sinecure, and the grand master thoroughly earns the honour attached to his office.

This is no news to anyone who has ever filled the office so ably administered by Past Grand Master BELL.

TOO MUCH PUBLICITY.

Criticism is made of the practice in Illinois of too much publicity in the following words:

It was found necessary to remove a worshipful master of one of the constituent lodges from his office. The brother had been guilty of grossly unmasonic conduct. Full particulars of the case, including the name of the offending brother, are published in the grand master's address. Though it was necessary to report the case to grand lodge we do not think it wise to publish cases of masonic offence complete with names as is done in many American jurisdictions.

Here is a valuable hint. Why not print the report in such cases in skeleton form as does our committee on appeals and grievances? Agreement is had with Grand Master BELL in refusing dispensations to lodges to attend church on Easter. The reason given against church attendance is that this "must more or less bring up in lodges the discussion of religion. It is the thin end of the wedge. The discussion of religious matters in the lodges, once permitted, would ultimately destroy the unity of our glorious brotherhood."

SHOULD STUDY THE LAW.

Referring to the statement by our grand master concerning the ignorance of masonic law on the part of lodge officers the committee has to say that:

We are inclined to the view that the lack of ordinary masonic knowledge on the part of responsible lodge officers, not only in Illinois, but in nearly every jurisdiction throughout the states, is a result of the American system. Under this system it would appear that, owing to the examinations which are held, "ability to give the work" is the only part of the master's duty that is touched upon. The inevitable result is that this is the only part of the duties worked up. Various grand masters are now year by year drawing pointed attention to this matter, and we expect at some date, not far distant, a change will be made and aspirants to office will, in addition, have to show a reasonable knowledge of masonic law.

This is a sound conclusion. The ritual in all its minutiae is of value. However, to be a mere parrot Mason with little conception of the surpassing beauty of its symbolism and to be grossly ignorant of the law and usage of the craft is to have adopted the mere skeleton for the living personality. Let us clothe the skeleton with flesh and breathe into it the vital breath that it may become a living soul. The excellent report closes with quotations from Brother ROBBINS' reference to former difficulties with the Grand Lodges of England and Scotland and the castigation that these old world bodies received at the hands of the Illinois correspondent.

The grand master is C. O. L. RILEY, Perth. The grand secretary is J. D. STEVENSON, Perth.

WEST VIRGINIA—1909.

141 LODGES.

45TH ANNUAL.

13,185 MEMBERS.

The fine face of FRANK WELLS CLARK, grand master for 1909 and 1910 furnishes the introduction to the large and handsome book of proceedings of the Grand Lodge of West Virginia for 1909. A sketch of the grand master follows his picture and leads the reader to expect a brilliant administration. A busy year is indicated by the very large number of special communications, records of which precede the account of the 45th annual held at Wheeling beginning November 10, 1909. Only one of the specials indicates anything beyond the ordinary routine of corner stones, dedications, etc.

UNVEILING A MONUMENT.

On October 9, the grand lodge assembled "to unveil and dedicate the monument erected by the state and United States governments at Point Pleasant in commemoration of the battle between the Indians and whites at that place October 10, 1774." It is a little out of the common for Masons to unveil and dedicate monuments. However, since Illinois at one time indulged in laying the cap stone of the Auditorium Hotel several hundred feet in the air and far out of the hearing of the multitudes on the street below criticism is suppressed on the principle of avoiding encouragement of throwing stones by those who live in glass houses.

At the annual, Grand Master SHOWALTER presided with a full corps of regular officers.

A VERSATILE MAN.

Thirty-six representatives of other grand lodges responded to roll call. Among these was HIRAM R. HOWARD, diplomat for Illinois. Broth-HOWARD is grand secretary and committee on foreign correspondence. In all these capacities he is a credit to the craft. Illinois is glad to have so useful a man for its representative.

GRAND MASTER'S REPORT.

The annual address of Grand Master SHOWALTER betokens a busy year and an efficient executive. His happy paraphrase of David's greatest song is a beautiful tribute to harmony and good will, "Truly have we been led beside the still waters and permitted to lie down in green pastures." He rejoices that "this seems to have been a season of Passover for our body for not once during the year has the Reaper entered our portals."

HAD BACKBONE.

That there was no lack of backbone on the part of the grand master may be inferred from the very large number of dispensations and requests refused. No less than nineteen of these are reported. The most important is in line with the action of Grand Master BELL in 1908 in reference to lodges attending church. The grand master puts his position into these words:

I received during the year requests from five lodges for special dispensations permitting them to attend church as lodges, all of which I declined to grant. I trust my motive has not been misconstrued. Personally, I attend church regularly, and would be glad if all my brethren did likewise. I might go even further and recommend a particular church for you to attend; but this should be done as an individual and not as a Mason. The fewer dispensations that are grant-

ed, the closer we will stick to the ancient charges. Attending church services is not a Masonic function; if it were a special dispensation would not be necessary. Masonry as an institution knows no creed or church denomination, and to recognize or acknowledge one to the exclusion of others is subversive of the principles upon which our fabric is builded. The great majority of our brethren in this jurisdiction would be shocked were we to issue a dispensation to attend service in a Jewish Synagogue, and yet, it would be as much our duty to grant such permission, on request, as to grant the same permission to attend a Methodist or Presbyterian service.

A UNIVERSAL RECEIPT FOR DUES.

West Virginia has adopted a form of receipt for dues and attested by the grand secretary. To put this into force an edict from the grand east was issued. All lodges are required to use this form and procure the blanks from the grand secretary.

PROLIFIC IN DECISIONS.

There was a great crop of decisions, there being thirty-nine in all. It looks almost like a new code of laws. Except one or two they were strictly of local application.

No. 15. A fellow craft who allowed a year to elapse before applying for advancement, pending which he lost his leg, is ineligible to receive the master's degree." As an Entered Apprentice he became a Mason. He advanced to the degree of Fellow Craft. Why should he not become a Master Mason?

No. 31 is clear and correct. It says that "legal and Masonic residence are synonymous terms and where a man has his legal or voting residence, there is also his Masonic residence so far as jurisdiction to entertain his petition is concerned."

THE EASTERN STAR GHOST.

The Eastern Star appears to be a ghost to West Virginia. The grand master details at great length some trouble growing out of a chapter of the Eastern Star. On the strength of this he recommends that a resolution adopted in 1901, permitting chapters to occupy lodge rooms, be repealed. If there is a disease this seems a queer remedy. Merely meeting in the same hall with our "sisters, our cousins and our aunts" cannot be very dangerous.

By dividing the state into fourteen districts a very thorough system of supervision of the lodges is maintained by the district deputy grand masters as their published reports show.

CHILLY TO CHILE.

The committee on foreign correspondence in a special report turns a deaf ear to the Grand Lodge of Chile when it asks recognition. It seems strangely inconsistent then for the same excellent committee to favor the "rotten borough" of Valle de Mexico. Yet such things be. Two adherents to Masonry "as she is spoke" by the Grand Orient of Spain threatened in letters to do things to Brother HOWARD if they were not accorded the rights and privileges accorded to legitimate craftsmen. They received the silent contempt due to spurious and clandestine Masons the world over.

A POOR SYSTEM.

The loose, slipshod methods of the present representative system among grand lodges received some attention in the adoption of the following regulation:

Whenever any representative of a sister grand lodge, near this grand lodge, shall absent himself from three successive grand annual communications, without having presented an excuse therefor satisfactory to the grand master, the grand master may declare the said office vacant and proceed in the regular way to fill said vacancy.

So little attention is paid to foreign representatives even here at home that persons have been carried on our rolls as representatives of other grand lodges when they have been dead for three or four years. Some system of rules and reports should be arranged so that a representative would become so in fact as well as in name.

SAYS I AND NOT WE.

The report on foreign correspondence is made for the fourth time by P.G.M. HIRAM R. HOWARD, who also is grand secretary. One feature of this report is that Brother HOWARD discards the absurd "editorial We" and says "I have the pleasure of submitting my report, etc." Why a committee composed of one person should hide behind a plural when there is only one of him is not easily seen.

Brother HOWARD reviews sixty-two grand lodges and six of them are for two years. The report is ably written and shows that the writer is a capable reviewer and a thorough student of Masonry.

OURS THE LARGEST.

Illinois is well treated. The fact is noted that our proceedings for 1909 are the largest volume received from any grand lodge. This may or may not be a compliment. Sometimes quantity does not necessarily imply quality, yet the Illinois proceedings usually are pretty "meaty." Of our late brothers MUNN and ROBBINS it is said that

"Both are men of strong personalities and stood high in the esteem of their fellow craftsmen." Brother HOWARD laments that West Virginia's representative, though residing in Chicago, was numbered among the absentees.

VALLE DE MEXICO.

In referring to the report of the special committee on the recognition of Valle de Mexico the correspondent says, "The majority report denying recognition was written by the late Brother ROBBINS, who takes rank among the highest and greatest interpreters of Masonic law and usage and was his last official paper to his grand lodge, written a few days prior to his death." Referring to the views of Brother MOULTON, a dissenting member of the committee, he says, "Sentiment, I fear, prevailed over argument and facts and a great injustice done by the adoption of the majority report." He then predicts that "upon sober reflection" Mexico will be recognized. It would seem that during ten years' consideration under one form or another the grand lodge of Illinois ought to be sobered up on the Mexican question. Two years before, when Brother ROBBINS was alive and well and no suspicion of "sentiment" could attach, the same uncharitable and unbrotherly act was performed. The Mexican question is not one of sentiment or charity but of regular or clandestine Masonry. Illinois has always stood squarely for the landmarks and ancient craft Masonry. The grand lodge Valle de Mexico is composed of twenty-nine lodges, fifteen of these work the American or York rite and fourteen the Scottish rite. So long as this mongrel specimen of Masonry knocks for admission in Illinois it is likely to hear the answer "Depart from me ye workers of iniquity, I never knew you."

BROTHER ROGERS' ORATION.

"The World is Growing Better" was the subject Brother EUCLID B. ROGERS, grand orator, took for his really fine oration is the way the grand orator fares.

BROTHER COOK'S REPORT.

The report of Brother COOK is referred to as follows:

Brother Edward Cook, P.G.M., succeeds the lamented Brother Joseph Robbins as the committee on correspondence and writer of its reviews and reports. After paying a beautiful and feeling tribute to the memory of Brother Robbins, that foremost member of the foreign correspondence guild, Brother Cook, gracefully makes his advent and seats himself at the round table.

Then follows a brief quotation from Brother Cook's salutatory. He then adds "I find his reviews thorough and so arranged as to give the

greatest amount of valuable information and at the same time making its reading a pleasure." He closes by the following paragraph explaining the hurried manner in which the report was prepared:

The proceedings of this grand lodge having reached my table nearly three weeks after the adjournment of our grand lodge, I have necessarily hurriedly reviewed the same, and being the last one I shall hand to printer, is my apology for its brevity and scantiness of subjects referred to.

The grand master is FRANK WELLS CLARK, New Martinsville, and the grand secretary, HIRAM R. HOWARD, Point Pleasant.

WISCONSIN—1910.

264 LODGES.

66TH ANNUAL.

25,680 MEMBERS.

Wisconsin, Iowa and South Dakota grand lodges convened on the same day, June 14, 1910, and singularly enough the printed proceedings of these bodies came to this reviewer's table by the same mail on the same day, August 26. Wisconsin held its 66th annual meeting at Milwaukee. It takes 319 well printed pages to tell the interesting story of Wolverine Masonry for the past year.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The annual report made by M.W. Bro. ALVIN T. WEBB is an unusually strong and forceful document. His introduction is quite worthy of being given in full but space limitations prohibit. A brief quotation must suffice. He says:

Masonry meets the need of mankind and blazes the trail of civilization because it proclaims democracy and practices its precepts. It exemplifies men's relations, one toward another, and teaches not only the rights of men, but upholds the principles of brotherhood throughout the ever-widening realms of human activities. We love Masonry because we love men, and behold in all its ancient forms and ceremonies the magic key—unity—opening the hearts of men to true Masonic light, and bringing together all classes and conditions into one harmonious whole.

We think of Masonry as world-wide. Sectional lines or state boundaries limit not its usefulness, and among all civilized nations the great heart of Masonry pulsates as a living and mighty influence, educating and uplifting the race toward the realization of the sublime truths which ascend even to the Great Architect of the Universe itself.

The death of P.G.M. JOSEPH ROBBINS is noted.

WISCONSIN LAW.

The grand master makes ten decisions all of which are approved with some slight modifications by the committee on jurisprudence. In one decision a lodge's ambition to give an entertainment for the families of members by giving portions of the monitorial work with lantern slides was snuffed out. Quite correctly the grand master held that every part of the ceremonies of conferring degrees was secret whether in print or not.

Another wanted to join a miscellaneous charity organization in the town where the lodge was located. The G.M. held that "A lodge should be in a position to handle its charity funds separately and not submit them to outside control."

Much trouble was experienced over the committee to investigate the character of an applicant for the degrees. The final decision was that there could be no such thing as a majority and minority report. "A brother refusing to agree with the action of the majority may register his dissent." It was also decided that no action should be had upon the committee report. The ballot is on the election or rejection of the candidate only. In Illinois the investigating committee is really three committees of one member each. Three different sources of information are used. Each makes a secret, verbal report to the master. He merely announces the degree of unanimity, as, for example, "one favorable and two unfavorable," or the reverse. Or the report of the committee is three favorable or three unfavorable as the case may be. This plan gives excellent results. Committees do not hesitate to report as they think their duty directs. There is no danger of offending friends of the applicant.

The grand master refuses to permit lodges to attend church services as such except on St. John's day. Why the exception? Other decisions are of local interest.

A dispensation allowing a lodge to attend memorial services on Sunday "in Masonic clothing" was refused.

The grand master deprecates the growing tendency to require documentary evidence in visiting. He advises the purchase of a sufficient number of lists of regular lodges (presumably the Illinois list) to supply each lodge with one. This was later approved by the grand lodge.

A change in mileage and per diem was recommended. The mileage was to be reduced and the per diem increased. The grand lodge did not concur and it remains the same. Several similar efforts in this state have likewise failed.

A net gain of 734 is reported by the grand secretary.

There were representatives of forty-one grand lodges present. Illinois' guardian, CHAS. C. ROGERS, was in service.

A CONSISTORY HOME.

Through the generosity of a deceased brother the consistory owns and manages a Masonic Home. A report was made saying that this Home was open to all Masons without distinction—wives, widows and orphans are likewise eligible for admission. The total assets of this charity are given at \$64,637.23. It appears that the Consistory Home is in a prosperous condition.

SOMETHING NEW.

Wisconsin has for the first time a special committee on "Tabulated statements of subordinate lodges." The report is a most comprehensive review of the returns with valuable comments and criticisms. It takes twelve printed pages of the proceedings for this report. It is worth the space given. Many very valuable suggestions are made concerning matters vital to Masonry and the lodges. A few of these comments in substance are as follows:

1. Lodges are changing the work to enable them to introduce stage settings, paraphernalia, robes, lanterns and other accompaniments. They endeavor to give the esoteric undue dramatic effect. This is severely condemned.

2. The proper use of music in conferring degrees is commended. But when fourteen different songs were used during the master's degree it is too much. "Such practice partakes more of the nature of a concert than of masonic work." Quite right.

3. In some lodges petitions for membership are not used. No committee is appointed to investigate. A vote is simply taken on the dimit.

4. In Wisconsin no society can meet in a masonic lodge without a dispensation from the grand master. In many cases this was not procured.

Many other irregularities are noted and plenty of valuable suggestions are found in this excellent report. It is regretted that space forbids further notice. The committee unfortunately legislated itself out existence by recommending that it be discontinued. Such a committee is worth preserving.

TRIBUTE TO BROTHER ROBBINS.

Past Grand Master CHARLES C. ROGERS, representative of Illinois, presented a communication informing the grand lodge of the death of JOSEPH ROBBINS. He pays the following tribute to his worth and character.

In his presence one was impressed with the dignity and nobility of his character. My personal acquaintance with Brother Robbins was not extensive, and my knowledge and judgment of him as a man and Mason was confined largely to the sphere of his activity in Masonry as chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence. Our reading of his reviews of sister grand jurisdictions impressed us with the impartiality and fairness with which he treated all subjects.

His scholarly attainments and erudition won him distinction among his contemporaries, and he was an acknowledged authority and writer in the field of Masonic jurisprudence. In intellect and position in the Masonic world he was sovereign, and, like the giant oak of the forest, towered above his fellows. The masonic world has lost an exemplary brother and one of its ablest expounders of the law.

Wisconsin Masons extend sincere sympathy and condolence to the brethren of Illinois in their sad bereavement.

The foregoing was unanimously adopted by the grand lodge.

FLAG DAY.

As the grand lodge was in session on June 14, set apart as "flag day," Bro. H. N. LAFLIN was invited to deliver an address appropriate to the day. He did this to the satisfaction of all.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

The review of the work of the grand lodges was presented by the able and experienced writer, ALDRO JENKS, P.G.M. One hundred and fifty-seven pages are required to tell the world-story of Masonry.

Illinois comes in for its due share of attention.

He says that

This grand jurisdiction is so gigantic, and its published proceedings make such a bulky volume, that we always approach its review with apprehension, and lay it down with a sigh of relief that the task is ended, although we find it one of the most interesting volumes of the year. The present volume is no exception, containing nearly seven hundred closely printed pages. The address of Grand Master Bell is an able one, and as brief as could be expected in this large jurisdiction, comprising so many lodges.

OUR DISTINGUISHED DEAD.

Referring to the work of Brother ROBBINS he says that

His reports, more than anything else, have given Illinois a foremost place in the Masonic world. His knowledge of Masonic subjects was well-nigh encyclopediac; his mind logical and acute; his expression graceful and convincing.

He adds that

Another commanding figure in Illinois Masonry was removed by the death of Past Grand Secretary Loyal L. Munn. He served the craft in

Illinois in the capacity of grand secretary from 1881 to 1893. He was conscientious, intelligent and painstaking in the discharge of every duty.

DIFFERENCES OF OPINION.

Brother JENKS doubts the power of the grand master to set aside a conviction had upon a Masonic trial. "This is a prerogative that is and should be vested in the grand lodge alone. We do not like the theory that the grand master is the grand lodge." Tastes and opinions differ, you know, Brother JENKS. The Wisconsin reviewer got a wrong impression of our Homes as the following shows:

This is one of the unfortunate things about Masonic Homes. They have a faculty of costing considerable more money than the grand lodge imagines when it inaugurates the policy of caring for its unfortunate brethren in this manner, but having embarked upon the enterprise, they find it impossible to take a backward step. They are like a man who has grasped the handles of an electric machine, and is unable to let go even though the sensation is painful.

Even though we have expended about \$125,000 in constructing and equipping the Sullivan Home and are spending another \$100,000 in the Orphans' Home at La Grange the grand lodge dues have remained at 90 cents per member for all expenses and the grand lodge is still far from either bankruptcy or financial embarrassment. When our buildings are completed we can care for all our dependents and still have money to throw at the birds. When Masonry does the deeds of mercy and charity many good men want a part in it and knock at our doors. This will explain why we now have over 100,000 members. Our Homes are the flower and fruit of Masonry and the craft are ready to see that all needed funds are forthcoming.

RED TAPE FACTORY.

Brother JENKS thinks that the recommendation of the grand master's conference that all correspondence between states be through the grand masters' offices constitutes a red-tape factory or circumlocution bureau. Possibly, but if so, it enables each grand master to know what is going on in the state for which he is officially responsible. Brother JENKS says that our grand master gets \$2,500 salary. Not yet, but soon. It probably will be so the coming year. Up to this time it has never exceeded \$1,500.

Action last year regarding Mexico is approved.

BROTHER COOK'S WORK.

In referring to what Brother COOK says concerning his being the successor of Brother ROBBINS the Wisconsin reviewer says that our brother

is over modest. There is nothing in his production that gives one the impression that he is not equal to the task set before him. He writes like a veteran, his report is scholarly, and shows unmistakably that he has been an apt pupil sitting at the feet of his illustrious predecessor. The Wisconsin proceedings for 1909 receive four pages of comment at his hands, couched in courteous language, finding nothing deserving of censure.

With evident approval he further says:

Like his predecessor, Brother Cook is of the opinion that any legislation in regard to the so-called higher bodies is out of place in the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, and that it will be conducive to harmony to permit no reference to the never ending quarrels of the different branches of the Scottish Rite in a grand lodge, save such reference and discussions as may be necessary to defend the sovereignty of Ancient Craft Masonry when it is assailed.

VALLE DE MEXICO.

In his conclusion Brother JENKS gives an able review of the present torn and tattered condition of the so-called Masonry in Mexico. Since the late rebellion and the formation of a new "Valle de Mexico" those grand lodges which felt called upon to recognize "greaser" Masonry will have plenty of exercise in helping themselves to let go.

Grand master, ERNEST E. GATCHELL, Hudson; grand secretary, WM. M. PERRY, Milwaukee.

WYOMING—1909.

29 LODGES.

35TH ANNUAL.

2,400 MEMBERS.

The art of good printing has gone as far west as Wyoming. Grand Secretary KUYKENDALL is to be congratulated upon a handsome book of proceedings, prefaced with a fine half-tone of Grand Master SAGE. To those who are not up in Roman lore the pages of the appendix would be much more easily read if he would use the plain figures instead of the Roman numerals.

On the title page is this line, "Ordered to be read in every subordinate lodge in the jurisdiction." Somebody would have to sit up nights if this injunction were obeyed in Illinois.

The 35th annual meeting began at Cheyenne September 1, 1909, with M.W. Bro. MARION P. WHEELER, grand master, and every other grand officer elective and appointive present, except D.G.M. JOHN S. TAYLOR, deceased.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The annual address of the grand master was able and instructive. His theme is that the world is growing better. He gives Freemasonry credit for large influence in producing world progress toward equal rights for all mankind. He presses the responsibility of Masons by saying that:

In a great measure upon your shoulders and the shoulders of your associates rests the moral tone of the community in which you live; while you believe in a Supreme Being, while you believe in religion, you are separate from all sectarianism, from all dogmas, from all churches, and the communities in which you live watch you with jealous eyes; thus all Christianity and those whom you will not admit to membership, because of their moral character, are criticising you and the example you set before them, so you see it behooves us to always remember that before all the world you are to be a just and upright citizen, just to your country, true to your government, always doing by your neighbor as you would have him do by you.

The death of the deputy grand master, JOHN S. TAYLOR, is noted. Under Illinois he mentions the passing away of Past Grand Secretary LOYAL L. MUNN.

Sixteen decisions are reported. Most of local interest only. In No. 9 he holds that a master cannot resign when the prospect of charges is apparent. In fact his decision need not be qualified. A master cannot resign.

A LAW VS. THE CLANDESTINE.

Here is a bit of wisdom that might prove of value in Illinois:

I wrote the grand master of New York for a copy of the law which was passed in that state prohibiting any person from organizing spurious or clandestine lodges, and I am pleased to report that the legislature of this state enacted the same law at its last session, making it a penal offense for any person to go about the state organizing spurious or clandestine lodges or selling degrees of any kind or character.

It is recommended that lodges be permitted to receive petitions for the degrees from persons living in another state but nearer to a lodge in Wyoming when accompanied by a waiver of jurisdiction. In the language of the Son of Erin when he saw the torrent rolling down Niagara it may be asked, "An' what's to hinder?"

MASONIC HOME.

The grand master recommends that active steps be taken at once to procure a site for a Masonic Home as there are many who need the shelter of the fraternity. This recommendation was adopted. This fund contains \$2,866.50.

THE WASTE BASKET.

Grand Secretary KUYKENDALL wisely says:

Long years of experience, coupled with a knowledge of the many plans adopted by clandestines, grafters and swindlers has established the fact that it is no longer safe to mail proceedings to any individual or corporation unless it is very clear they want to use the same for strictly legitimate purposes. Grafters and swindlers' requests go into the waste basket.

The grand secretary reports that he has not collected any fees and that every lodge has paid its dues. The grand treasurer's report shows financial prosperity.

The Grand Lodges of Oklahoma and Saskatchewan were recognized and admitted as members of the masonic family.

A resolution was adopted stating the old and well settled rule of regularity in the organization of grand lodges as follows: "That not less than three lodges or subordinate bodies can legally establish a local grand lodge or governing body." It should have added that these three must be regular. No Scottish Rite parentage can be accepted as legitimate.

OTHER GRAND LODGES.

The report on correspondence is from the hand of the veteran grand secretary and reviewer, W. L. KUYKENDALL, as the committee. He presents his 24th consecutive report. Though brief it hits the mark and gets at the vital parts. In the page and a half given to Illinois he approves the attitude of Brother BELL in deciding that a lodge cannot appropriate money for a shoe factory or other private or sectarian purpose. He says that "Brother Robbins has another very thorough report in which Wyoming is well treated."

CAN'T AGREE WITH BROTHER ROBBINS.

Final disagreement between Brother ROBBINS and Brother KUYENDALL is shown in the following:

We do not agree and have agreed to disagree upon at least two questions, *i. e.* The claimed right of a non-affiliate being an actual resident of one state to become a member in any other state, and the other being the claimed right of a lodge in one state to waive jurisdiction over material living within its jurisdiction and that of the grand lodge, under whose charter it works, in favor of a lodge in another state, without any action on the part of said grand lodge. Our brother believes in and advocates both. We do not.

If the matchless arguments of Brother ROBBINS were not sufficient to convince our esteemed brother none that the present writer could offer would be effective.

NO NEED OF OTHERS.

The report closes with a deserved tribute to the efficient auxiliary organization, "the Order of the Eastern Star," and deprecates the establishment of another woman's society built on Masonry. He says that:

I am of the opinion that it is the bounden duty of every Mason in Wyoming to frown upon and do all he can to prevent the introduction of another competing woman's organization or any attempted annex to Craft Masonry, which consists only of three degrees and no more, and needs no attachment whatever.

The grand master is B. H. SAGE, Cheyenne; the grand secretary is W. L. KUYKENDALL, Saratoga.

 BRITISH COLUMBIA—1910.

56 LODGES.

39TH ANNUAL.

4,550 MEMBERS.

At the last moment before going to press and after nearly all the reviews have been printed comes a very neatly printed book of proceedings of British Columbia. It is much to be regretted that a better review cannot be written. The book is rich in beautiful pictures of past grand masters and grand secretaries.

The 39th annual was held at Cranbrook in June, 1910.

The annual address of Grand Master RICH is brief but forceful, setting out the business of the year. He notes the death of Brother ROBBINS without comment.

DECISIONS.

The grand master ruled that the Eastern Star could not meet in lodge rooms and sent out a circular instructing accordingly. The inevitable query is—Why?

He held that a man who had lost one eye was physically qualified but one minus a left hand was not. Again, a lodge opened in the absence of master and wardens was illegal and business transacted was void. Of the remainder of his fifteen decisions nothing of general interest appears.

It is noted that JAMES MCCREDIE has been appointed to represent British Columbia near the Grand Lodge of Illinois. Brother MCCREDIE'S address is erroneously given at "Freeport." It should be, Aurora, Ill.

KING EDWARD.

The grand master pays the following fitting tribute to the late King EDWARD:

On the 7th of May, on hearing of the death of His Most Gracious Majesty King Edward the Seventh, past grand master of the Grand Lodge of England, the sincere regrets of our grand lodge were cabled to the Grand Lodge of England, and I ordered all lodges in this jurisdiction to be draped as a mark of respect for our most worshipful brother, whose health as protector of the craft we have so often toasted, whose influence for peace and good-will amongst men was the admiration of mankind, who lived in close relationship with his subjects, nourishing the welfare of his people, relieving the necessities of the poor and whose life doings may be summarized in the word "Humanity" in its widest sense.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Is written by W. A. DEWOLF SMITH. It is to be regretted that he did not receive the report of Illinois. He is assured that it has not "gone out of business." In his introduction he says, "It is the wittiest we have written so far if there is any truth in the old adage, but we disclaim any merit on that score. Whether the grand lodges which are not reviewed have gone out of business or have simply discontinued publishing their proceedings we are not in a position to say. The fact remains, however, that the review embraces all those proceedings which have reached us up to the time of writing."

Our brother was especially unfortunate as only seventeen grand lodges are reviewed. There must be something wrong with the mail facilities of British Columbia.

Grand master, EDWARD B. PAUL, Victoria; grand secretary, R. E. BRETT, Victoria.

 NEBRASKA—1910.

250 LODGES.

53D ANNUAL.

17,886 MEMBERS.

The proceedings of the 1910 session of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska show no variableness or shadow of turning from the shades of blue as referred to by Brother COOK in his review for 1909. The work of printing is neatly done and 215 pages are sufficient to tell the interesting story of a year's masonic work in that state.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

Grand Master MICHAEL DOWLING, presented a very able, clear and concise review of his year's service. A brief quotation or two will illustrate. He says:

We thank our Heavenly Father that the year has been pleasant and prosperous to a great degree, indicating the thorough cultivation of the masonic soil by my predecessors. Few if any tares have appeared among the wheat, the field has been well gone over. In a few instances I think a fertilizer of charity, encouragement, and instruction would be beneficial.

The year just closed shows a large increase in our membership, the number of initiations being the largest in the history of the grand lodge. Our funds are ample for all purposes, including a fair appropriation for charity. Measured by the above, it can indeed be said that the year has been prosperous. Numbers, however, are not always indicative of strength, for unless the quality of the material is of the very best, the larger the number, the weaker the structure.

There is to my mind a higher conception of the principles of our order and a more conscientious discharge of the ennobling duties evidenced today than ever before, which entering into the warp and woof of our masonic fabric cannot fail to strengthen and beautify it until it may in the course of time, in a minute degree, approach the Pattern given us by the Divine Architect. If this contention is right, Masonry's opportunity is here; that which Masonry has stood for theoretically all through the past, let us begin to incorporate in our every day lives.

TOO MANY LODGES.

Again the grand master says the truth, not only about Nebraska, but almost every other grand lodge in the country:

My experience has taught me that there are too many lodges in existence that ought not to have been created. It is a simple matter to form a masonic lodge, but I have acted upon the theory that a lodge should not be formed unless there is more than a reasonable probability of its being chartered and continued as a prosperous lodge. A masonic lodge should only be formed under conditions that will place it as the most complete fraternal organization in the city or town where it is located. Neither should a lodge be formed if by so doing it will destroy a lodge already in existence. It requires some money, and much time and labor to maintain a lodge, and unless the brethren are willing to give freely of all of these, they cannot reach the high plane upon which a lodge should stand. While no fixed rule can be followed, there are certain requirements that I believe should be insisted upon before creating an organization that, if it does no good, may do much harm to the good name of Masonry.

Though following custom and issuing dispensations "without regard to time" the grand master says that he is "free to admit that none of them should have been issued." It was a good time, Brother DOWLING, to break a bad habit and establish a new and good precedent.

UNKIND TO LET DUES ACCUMULATE.

Hear him again:

Too little attention is given by secretaries of lodges to prompt collection of dues, and this neglect is becoming serious in many lodges. It is not fair to a brother to permit his dues to accumulate until they reach a sum which seems a hardship for him to pay. Neither is it fair to have the entire expense of maintaining a lodge fall upon those who are willing to pay promptly. Our law requires the payment of lodge dues, and provides a penalty to enforce collection. The by-laws of all lodges have provisions for collecting dues from delinquent members, and they should be enforced.

A SOUND D.G.M.

The grand master being called from the state by serious illness in his family, D.G.M. CHENEY became acting grand master. In his report he says:

On May 23 I refused to grant a special dispensation to Scotts Bluff Lodge No. 201, at Gering, to take part in the Decoration Day exercises on the grounds that Section 76, page 39, Chapter 10, Law of Freemasonry, edition of 1908, provides that no lodge shall participate in promiscuous parades or processions, and that a lodge may hold memorial services to which the public may be admitted, but cannot, as a lodge, participate therein with non-masonic organizations.

In the report of the Masonic Home it appears that forty-four persons have been in the Masonic Home during the year. There are now seventeen men, twelve women and two boys—total, thirty-one. The cost of maintaining each person for a year was \$247.89, an increase of \$11.37 over the year before. Considering the greater cost of living the increase seems very moderate. It was decided to raise the per capita tax for the Home so that it will be 75c.

Among representatives of grand lodges present was Bro. GEO. H. THUMMEL for Illinois.

SOME LEGAL ASPECTS.

The committee on jurisprudence had little to report outside of local law for Nebraska, all of which was in harmony with Illinois. A few points may be mentioned:

1. It was decided that no general grand lodge is desirable. The request of P.G.M. MIKELS, of Indiana, was turned to the wall.
2. The plan of erecting a national memorial to "Washington, the Mason" was cordially approved.
3. A past grand matron of the Eastern Star asked for a ruling on a point of masonic law but the committee said, "We recommend that the grand lodge decline to enter into any matter of question which may be

pending in the Order of the Eastern Star, particularly so in this instance, as the matter does not come to us officially from the officers of the grand chapter O.E.S."

AMBROSE C. EPPERSON, the grand orator, delivered a very excellent oration. It was full of good things and suggestive of a higher standard of living.

SINGLES OUT BROTHER ROBBINS.

After mentioning the list of dead from all grand lodges the committee on fraternal dead says:

But the writer of this report cannot refrain from specially mentioning, in this connection, Most Worshipful Joseph Robbins, past grand master of his native state of Illinois. Among the great names, which so brilliantly adorn the history of Masonry, Past Grand Master Joseph Robbins' name will always shine with unfading brilliancy. He has long stood among his brethren as a great and trusted leader. His death is more keenly felt in that jurisdiction than that of any other Mason who has died in recent years.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

BRO. CHARLES J. PHELPS again writes the review of grand lodges. It is brief but well written. Brother PHELPS quotes liberally and approvingly from Brother BELL's report.

REGARDING MEXICO.

The reviewer tries to make himself believe that he is right because other grand lodges have recognized Valle de Mexico. Illinois prefers to be right rather than be with the biggest number. Since the secession and establishment of another Valle de Mexico covering the same territory precisely what will Brother PHELPS do about it? Which will he choose? Illinois is willing he should make his choice of evils.

BRO. EUCLID B. ROGERS, grand orator, in an eloquent address enlightened the brethren with the assurance that "the world is growing better."

BROTHER COOK'S REPORT.

Concerning the report on correspondence the writer of the Nebraska review says:

M.W. Bro. Edward Cook presents the report on correspondence covering 329 pages. He openly declares and publishes to the world that our annual volume of proceedings are "enveloped in a cover of belligerent tints of azure which meet two of the specifications of the poetical ideal of deeply, darkly, beautifully blue." For more than half a century we have dwelt, as it were, over a hidden volcano; "Our Bob," of poetic

mind and habit, has been negligent; the gentleman from Stanton has been fooling away his time with Mexicans, but our chief of the tribe of Tecumseh has often intimated that the ground might open at our feet and swallow us up, as it did, etc., and now it has come. But there is hope, for the Sucker says: "Some day the good taste of the Nebraska brother who bosses the job will take precedence over his sense of symbolical coloring, and the good printer will give them a handsomer exterior for their record. But our brother writes a thoroughly good report, extracting with good judgment and commenting freely.

Grand master, HARRY A. CHENEY, Creighton; grand secretary, FRANCIS E. WHITE, Omaha.

OREGON—1910.

120 LODGES.

60TH ANNUAL.

9,986 MEMBERS.

It is a matter of serious regret that the proceedings of Oregon for 1910 come to the writer at such a late day that any review must be a hurried one. The fine face of Grand Master Cox graces the report.

In the roll call of representatives of other grand lodges Bro. W. T. WRIGHT answers for Illinois. Bro. GEO. H. BURNETT responds on behalf of the representatives. He says that, "This ceremony is symbolical of the universality of this ancient and honorable institution so renowned for its antiquity and for its great moral and civilizing power throughout the ages."

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The grand master presents an out and out business document in giving report of his doings for the year. He gives but six decisions.

In the first he holds that the N.E. is the place for a corner-stone, but, if by necessity, it cannot be laid there the corner is symbolically north-east.

He decides that a soldier in the army cannot acquire a residence and must petition at the place he resided when he entered the army.

In another decision it is held that if a master is installed without receiving the past master's degree the omission does not invalidate his installation. From this it is concluded that Oregon still clings to the old farce of conferring the P.M. degree as a preliminary to installation. Why not discard it altogether as Illinois has done?

The grand secretary reports that the effort to secure uniform dimits among grand lodges was a failure.

APRONS INSTEAD OF JEWELS.

Instead of jewels the Oregon brethren present their past grand masters with aprons. At this session it was reported that the supply cost \$500 for aprons and \$125 for cases in which to keep them. There were twenty-four past grand masters present to receive the aprons from Grand Master NORRIS R. COX. There is much beauty in the symbolism of the apron and it is more desirable than the more expensive jewel given by so many grand lodges.

BRO. B. B. BEEKMAN delivered an able and interesting oration but for want of space it must be passed over.

RECEIVES O.E.S.

At a convenient time in the session representatives of the Eastern Star appeared and were received while the grand lodge was at refreshment. In return the grand master appointed a deputation to return the greetings of the grand lodge to the grand chapter of the Eastern Star. Such brotherliness and sisterliness is truly commendable and costs "no-nuthin'."

REPORT OF THE REVIEWER.

It takes 149 pages for the correspondent, J. M. HODSON, to give a review of the doings of other grand lodges. The review is ably written and full of interest. Three pages are devoted to Illinois. He says that "a fine, fat book is required to contain the recorded proceedings of this grand lodge at its 70th annual." Of Brother BELL he says that "his address is a fine combination of rhetoric and business ability."

Brother HODSON further comments as follows:

The money accounts are of pretty good size, and doubtless worked out all right, showing over \$200,000 cash resources besides large property investments, but the lodge statistics have apparently outgrown the grand secretary and grand lodge committees, as no footings or summary is published, and they be too numerous to count. Even their correspondence writer goes to New York statistics for his, and gets left by probably 5,000 members.

Our good brother needs new glasses, so that he may see plain, simple figures. On page 83 of the 1909 Illinois proceedings appears the following: "Total membership June 30, 1909, 95,629; number of chartered lodges, 770." Our grand secretary is still up with his job and the statistics have not "outgrown" him.

REGARDING MEXICO.

Brother HODSON does not agree with the action of Illinois regarding Valle de Mexico. Perhaps he will reverse himself now that the factional fight on in Mexico presents two grand lodges bearing the same name. Illinois feels more than ever justified in her position since the recent secession and the formation of another Valle de Mexico.

ROBBINS AND COOK.

He further says:

On account of the death of Bro. Joseph Robbins, we shall omit a part of what we might have said in reply to some of his former articles. Bro. Edward Cook takes up the pen. Of his future individuality and success we do not feel competent to judge, but he puts up 329 pages of correspondence, which so much resembled the work of Brother Robbins that if we had not been informed of Brother Robbins' passing we should not have looked for the signature, which is about the highest praise we can offer. Brother Robbins was among the most able and vigorous minds in the state, and for years had led the grand lodge in whatever direction he wished, did their thinking for them to the extent that their souls were scarce their own. Everybody's opinions except his were described by him as "Assertions, imagination or uncertain as regards credibility," and three-fourths of the Illinois brethren promptly echoed, "Them's my sentiments tew." Hence it was to be expected that for a time the strong mind and determined will would have its influence and his successors strive to gain the benefit of his prestige.

In the foregoing our good brother is so unfair and unjust to other thoughtful Masons in Illinois that no comment is needed. Brother ROBBINS, if alive, would be the first to disclaim any such power and influence. If our Oregon brother had the clear conception of the mongrel brand of Masonry existent in Mexico that Brother ROBBINS had, he would not hold his present attitude.

Brother HODSON does not like the answer Brother Cook made last year but there is no need of using space in a useless controversy.

Grand master, CHAS. E. WOLVERTON, Portland; grand secretary, JAS. F. ROBINSON, Portland.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA—1910.

88 LODGES.

3,687 MEMBERS.

Coming too late to find a place where it alphabetically belongs Western Australia for 1910 appears at the close of the regular list. The proceedings cover their quarterly meetings and the annual held April, 1910.

A fine picture of Grand Master RILEY, Bishop of Perth, graces the neatly printed book of proceedings. The Bishop was re-elected without opposition and appears to have a firm hold on the affections of the brethren. When it is considered that the grand master appoints all other grand officers it will be seen that he is charged with unusual responsibility. In one of his addresses the grand master says:

"If happy is the country that has no history, certainly happy is the grand lodge when the grand master has nothing to communicate. At present all is so peaceful—not the peacefulness of death, but the peacefulness of good machinery running smoothly—that I have little or nothing to say. Quiet and steady progress is the report I can give."

That the grand lodges of Australasia dwell together in unity is shown by Grand Master RILEY in his reference to South Australia and Queensland.

The board of benevolence reports that about \$1,680 have been dispensed to needy brothers from various lodges.

The Grand Lodge of Greece received fraternal recognition.

A JUST RULING.

The board of general purposes held that a non-affiliated brother could not prefer charges against another because, being unaffiliated, he was not in good standing. This is good sense as well as good law. If a brother cares so little for the lodge as to choose to remain out of its membership to escape the paltry dues to be paid to support it, why should he be accorded the right to put a brother on trial?

The grand master notes the visit of Lord KITCHENER, that distinguished soldier and Freemason.

Bro. F. R. PERROT, our representative, did not answer when his name was called. He was among those who sent "apologies."

THE ANNUAL REVIEW.

The committee on foreign correspondence made report at the annual held in April. Reviews of grand lodges do not appear in alphabetical

order. There are seven members of this committee and the work is distributed among them. Initials at the close of each review indicate the writer. Illinois is from the pen of P.G. D. LAVATER and gives our grand lodge liberal and just treatment.

Of Brother BELL he says, "Our American brethren are indeed fortunate in having available men combining with the requisite ability, the energy and the leisure hours necessary to fill the office." Brother BELL and those who know what a busy man he is will enjoy the joke about his "leisure hours."

TRIBUTE TO BROTHER ROBBINS.

In speaking of the deaths of the year the reviewer says:

Among the latter is P.G.M. Joseph Robbins, prince of reviewers. His place will be indeed hard to fill. Brother Robbins wielded a mighty pen and for nearly fifty years was a prominent and ofttimes a dominant factor in the grand lodge. No pen was ever more strongly wielded in upholding the ancient landmarks of Freemasonry. He was probably the most forceful, fearless and ablest of the masonic writers of his day.

The attitude of Brother BELL on the liquor question is approved.

Of Brother COOK's report he says: "Brother COOK has taken on a tough proposition, owing to the high standard of excellence set by his predecessor. He has, however, produced a most interesting series of reviews of about the usual length." He regrets that the "Westralian" volume for 1909 did not reach Brother COOK for review.

Grand master, Rev. C. O. L. RILEY, Perth; grand secretary, J. D. STEVENSON, Freemasons' Hall, Perth.

STATISTICS

From the report of John W. Jenkins, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of New York, submitted May, 1910.

TABLE OF MEMBERSHIP.

The following table shows the membership as per last report at hand, and as compared with the last prior report:

	1909	1910	Gain
Alabama.....	21,222	22,319	1,097
Arkansas.....	20,035	21,388	1,353
Arizona.....	1,535	1,661	126
California.....	38,669	41,007	2,338
Colorado.....	12,950	13,546	596
Connecticut.....	21,410	22,108	698
Delaware.....	2,988	3,049	61
District of Columbia.....	8,363	8,740	377
Florida.....	8,595	9,083	488
Georgia.....	30,056	32,708	2,652
Idaho.....	2,595	2,741	146
Illinois.....	90,576	95,629	5,053
Indiana.....	50,111	52,515	2,404
Indian Territory.....	9,082	9,103	21
Iowa.....	39,504	41,075	1,571
Kansas.....	28,764	32,072	3,308
Kentucky.....	30,600	32,770	2,170
Louisiana.....	11,761	12,414	653
Maine.....	27,356	27,864	508
Maryland.....	12,310	12,838	528
Massachusetts.....	48,415	52,260	3,845
Michigan.....	58,542	60,699	2,157
Minnesota.....	22,014	22,987	973
Mississippi.....	15,738	16,449	711
Missouri.....	47,430	46,088	1,658
Montana.....	4,690	5,091	401
Nebraska.....	16,393	17,119	726
New Hampshire.....	9,877	10,058	181
New Jersey.....	28,475	29,927	1,452
New Mexico.....	1,822	2,127	305
New York.....	158,097	163,341	5,244
Nevada.....	1,445	1,573	128
North Carolina.....	18,008	18,141	133
North Dakota.....	6,578	7,137	559
Ohio.....	72,339	75,976	3,637
Oklahoma.....	7,978	9,455	1,477
Oregon.....	8,639	9,232	593
Pennsylvania.....	79,442	88,126	8,684
Rhode Island.....	6,920	7,149	229
South Carolina.....	10,403	10,802	399
South Dakota.....	7,196	7,635	439
Texas.....	44,714	47,701	2,987
Tennessee.....	21,879	22,828	949
Utah.....	1,443	1,525	82
Vermont.....	12,078	12,382	304
Virginia.....	18,892	19,749	857
Washington.....	12,237	13,405	1,168
West Virginia.....	12,814	13,185	371
Wisconsin.....	23,974	24,946	972
Wyoming.....	2,268	2,400	132
Total in the United States.....	1,249,222	1,317,123	67,901
Alberta.....	2,225	2,539	314
British Columbia.....	3,258	3,757	499
Ontario.....	42,422	43,908	1,486
New Brunswick.....	2,482	2,685	203
Nova Scotia.....	5,363	5,673	310
Prince Edward Island.....	678	697	19
Quebec.....	5,785	6,045	260
Saskatchewan.....	2,000	2,336	336
Manitoba.....	4,248	4,454	316
England (estimated).....		200,000	
Scotland.....		1,538	
New Zealand.....	9,238	9,238	
South Australia.....	2,934	3,364	430
Tasmania.....		1,371	
New South Wales.....	12,570	12,570	
Western Australia.....	3,878	3,751	— 127
Valle De Mexico.....	1,196	1,301	105
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APPENDIX—PART II.

LODGE DIRECTORY
TABULATED STATEMENTS

LODGE DIRECTORY.

Showing alphabetical list of Lodges and Postoffice, name of Worshipful Master and Secretary, and time of Stated Meeting.

*And every two weeks thereafter.

NO.	NAME OF LODGE.	POSTOFFICE.	NAME OF SECRETARY.	NAME OF MASTER.	TIME OF STATED MEETING.
913	Aaron.....	Chicago.....	A. C. Metzger.....	A. L. Denman.....	Every Friday night.....
185	Abingdon.....	Abingdon.....	A. D. Underwood.....	A. G. Hickman.....	First and third Tuesdays of each month.....
316	Abraham Jonas.....	Loda.....	F. F. Butzow.....	H. H. Palmer.....	First and third Mondays of each month.....
518	Abraham Lincoln.....	Kirkwood.....	Geo. G. Pape.....	J. F. Kyles.....	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.....
67	Acacia.....	LaSalle.....	Thomas Young.....	Isaac Guthman.....	First and third Wednesdays of each month.....
977	Accordia.....	Chicago.....	Wm. Gross.....	A. H. Kropp.....	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.....
529	Adams.....	Plainville.....	J. M. Whitcomb.....	J. M. Lardore.....	Saturday on or before each full moon.....
749	Akin.....	Thompsonville.....	J. T. Essary.....	J. I. Burdary.....	Saturday on or before each full moon.....
966	Albany.....	Albany.....	L. Hoobler.....	B. F. Phillips.....	Friday on or before each full moon.....
352	Aledo.....	Aledo.....	Wm. A. Lorimer.....	B. E. Rower.....	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.....
702	Alexandria.....	Alexis.....	A. I. Porter.....	F. H. Bloyney.....	Monday on or before each full moon.....
732	Allendale.....	Allendale.....	J. W. Whiteside.....	J. I. McIltoosh.....	Monday on or before each full moon.....
497	Alma.....	Steeleville.....	Thos. Robertson.....	S. C. Hall.....	Saturday on or before each full moon.....
138	Alpha.....	Galesburg.....	F. O. Gustafson.....	S. C. Davidson.....	First and third Fridays of each month.....
748	Alta.....	Alta.....	H. A. Livingston.....	Wm. Chambers.....	Thursday on or before full moon.....
533	Altamont.....	Altamont.....	G. M. Haker.....	Fred Naumer.....	Second Saturday of each month.....
902	Alto Pass.....	Alto Pass.....	M. H. Booth.....	J. M. Durin.....	Second Saturday of each month.....
330	Altona.....	Altona.....	J. W. Gates.....	A. K. Gauble.....	Wednesday before full moon.....
889	America.....	Chicago.....	H. D. Davysson.....	A. K. Keeler.....	First and third Mondays of each month.....
142	Ames.....	Stedfield.....	Wm. Duke.....	H. Broner.....	First and third Saturdays of each month.....
472	Amity.....	Chicago.....	A. H. Hills.....	G. W. Morrassy.....	First and third Tuesdays of each month.....
261	Amon.....	De Witt.....	M. Groves.....	G. A. Dayton.....	First and third Fridays of each month.....
907	Ancient Craft.....	Chicago.....	Isador Lang.....	G. M. McPherson.....	Thursday on or before full moon.....
516	Andalusia.....	Andalusia.....	J. C. Burgoyne.....	David Gherstun.....	Second and fourth Wednesdays.....
487	Andrew Jackson.....	Corinth.....	Geo. Willford.....	F. H. Rease.....	Thursday on or before full moon.....
520	Anna.....	Anna.....	J. E. Trickle.....	R. P. Carlie.....	Third Tuesday of each month.....
433	Anawan.....	Alknon.....	Wm. J. Obee.....	R. P. Macauley.....	Friday on or before full moon.....
127	Antioch.....	Milburn.....	Henry Patch.....	J. A. Shaln.....	Thursday on or before full moon.....
676	O. A. Fay.....	Highland Park.....	Wm. J. Obee.....	Wm. J. Walter.....	First and third Thursdays of each month.....
642	Apollu.....	Chicago.....	Glyde Cadwell.....	C. A. Stephenson.....	First and third Mondays of each month.....
859	Apple River.....	Apple River.....	J. S. Lamont.....	N. A. Scott.....	First and third Fridays of each month.....
717	Arcana.....	Chicago.....	C. J. F. Scharf.....	J. T. Miorark.....	First and third Wednesdays of each month.....
306	Arcola.....	Arcola.....	J. E. Jeffers.....	It. F. W. Heazley.....	First Tuesday of each month.....
871	Argenta.....	Argenta.....	J. A. Eymann.....	Harry Parr.....	First Tuesday of each month.....
354	Ark and Anchor.....	Aurum.....	A. P. Lorton.....	C. L. Evans.....	Friday on or before each full moon.....
378	Aroma.....	Waldron.....	G. L. Hoke.....	O. L. Day.....	Wednesday on or before full moon.....

727 Arrowsmith	C. F. Cherry	H. M. Scott.	First and third Thursdays of each month
825 Arthur	C. D. Robinson	H. P. Campbell	Monday on or before each full moon
308 Ashlar	S. Geo. Crooks	H. Pattullo	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
390 Ashmore	W. R. Comstock	W. N. Moore	Saturday on or before full moon
531 Ashton	L. J. Sindlinger	H. O. Moore	Tuesday on or after full moon
100 Astoria	H. L. Schaefer	A. E. Scott	Wednesday on or before full moon
793 A. T. Darrah	J. R. Bedford	C. N. Hoeg	First and third Wednesdays of each month
165 Atlanta	C. C. Sater	F. C. Bayden	First and third Mondays of each month
651 Atwood	G. Heinzelmann	A. J. Quick	Saturday on or before full moon
789 Auburn Park	W. H. Robinson	C. E. Tallman	Saturday on or before full moon
850 Austin	J. T. Nicol	Walter Lincott	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
921 Avondale	R. B. Wilson	H. E. Marlow	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month
253 Avon Harmony	A. V. Williams	G. E. Nyebing	First and third Mondays of each month
145 A. W. Rawson	F. M. Nance	Arthur Merrill	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
924 Banner Blue	A. W. Day	E. R. Kloder	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
572 Bardolph	F. N. Jordan	E. A. Butler	Second and fourth Thursdays
34 Barry	H. A. Maxwell	Frank Battei	First Friday of each month
618 Basco	J. K. Crawford	O. K. Garrett	Saturday on or before full moon
404 Batavia	W. H. Darron	A. N. Balin	Monday on or before full moon
771 Bay City	H. P. Stuart	E. A. Parre	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
784 Beacon Light	John W. Ivittis	E. V. Nelson	Saturday on or before full moon
635 Beecher City	A. C. Finkle	Thos. Weston	First and third Fridays of each month
909 Bee Hive	J. E. Jennings	I. G. Morris	Friday on or before full moon
696 Belle Rive	L. E. Hamburg	E. J. Trauben	First and third Mondays
60 Belvidere	R. D. Cook	L. D. Hampton	Tuesday on or before full moon
822 Belnap	R. H. Jukes	M. N. Lucas	First and third Mondays of each month
911 Belflower	J. R. Evers	S. D. Peeler	Thursday on or before each full moon
365 Bement	W. C. Morgan	J. M. Jordan	First and third Wednesdays
52 Bemetent	A. L. Wilkinson	J. W. Corwin	Saturday on or before full moon
818 Ben Hur	E. S. Arcuter	W. A. Schmitt	First and third Tuesdays of each month
297 Benjamin	W. W. LeGros	W. T. Hememalm	Thursday evening of each week
64 Benton	F. S. Omer	H. S. Nations	First and third Tuesdays of each month
839 Bethany	Wm. T. Ames	C. Burkhart	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
866 Bethalto	E. N. Elliott	H. S. Rich	Saturday on or before full moon
384 Bethany	E. N. Six	J. W. Weimers	Thursday on or before each full moon
338 Black Hawk	C. P. Morrell	C. W. Guthrie	Thursday on or before each full moon
533 Blair	W. P. Lindsey	S. G. Peck	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
271 Blandinsville	W. E. Anderson	R. S. Gordon	First Saturday on or after full moon
458 Blazing Star	R. E. Markwell	F. W. Nash	First, third, and fifth Wednesdays of each month
43 Bloomington	A. F. Anderson	T. E. Thompson	First and third Tuesdays of each month
682 Blue Mound	A. H. Wilson	C. B. Gibson	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
647 Blueville	A. G. Tucker	G. W. Erwin	Saturday on or after full moon
846 Bluffs	D. A. Darrab	A. E. Schneider	Saturday on or before full moon
	J. A. Markwell	Wm. B. Leacb	First and third Thursdays of each month
	A. W. Bryce	H. A. Fock	Saturday on or before full moon
	F. C. Funk	J. T. Gardner	First and third Tuesdays of each month
	E. W. Beatty	H. B. Thompson	First and third Mondays of each month
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NO.	NAME OF LODGE.	POSTOFFICE.	NAME OF SECRETARY.	NAME OF MASTER.	TIME OF STATED MEETING.
412	Bolten	Spring Hill.	J. S. Heller.	Geo. Perkins.	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month.
882	Boulevard	Chicago.	O. D. Olson.	C. H. Moss.	First and third Thursdays of each month.
486	Bowen	Ilwaco.	W. T. Gillis.	W. F. Hughes.	First and third Fridays of each month.
857	Boyd D.	Kirkland.	L. N. Miner.	M. P. Murphy.	First and third Fridays of each month.
514	Bradford	Bradford.	Cyrus Boccock.	E. H. Phenix.	Thursday on or before full moon.
704	Braidwood	Braidwood.	J. W. Patterson.	A. P. Oswald.	First and third Thursdays of each month.
386	Bridgeport	Bridgeport.	R. E. Laughlin.	L. A. B. Flanders.	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
854	Brighton Park.	Chicago.	J. E. MacLaughlin.	A. J. Baronovsky.	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
791	Broadlands	Broadlands.	J. J. Douthat.	Harry Allen.	Saturday after full moon and two weeks later.
451	Broadwell	Assumption.	L. A. Tripp.	John Holmes.	Saturday on or before full moon.
282	Brooklyn	Compton.	W. H. Dishong.	Edwin Hubell.	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
684	Buckleby	Buckleby.	J. D. Riggs.	Esmin Bell.	Wednesday on or before full moon.
390	Buda	Buda.	B. H. Mosher.	T. A. Zink.	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
679	Buffalo Prairie.	Buffalo Prairie.	D. C. Vanatta.	J. A. Kistler.	Saturday on or before full moon.
151	Bunker Hill	Bunker Hill.	Geo. H. Baker.	E. R. Welch.	Thursday on or before full moon.
112	Burcau	Princeton.	A. H. Malm.	H. L. Parker.	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
683	Burnside	Burnside.	A. C. Herbert.	F. S. Jackson.	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
608	Burnt Prairie.	Burnt Prairie.	S. W. Cash.	E. R. Martin.	Thursday on or before full moon.
274	Byron	Byron.	Lyman Dexter.	Ray Bart ck.	*Saturday on or before full moon.
237	Cairo	Cairo.	Ross C. Bates.	Wm. F. Gibson.	Third Thursday of each month.
47	Caledonia	Olmsted.	Ed P. Gore.	M. L. Huges.	Second Monday of each month.
792	Calhoun	Hardin.	H. G. Edwards.	J. T. Linkogle.	Thursday on or before full moon.
716	Calumet	Blue Island.	D. W. Longacre.	C. S. Van Antwerp.	First and third Saturdays of each month.
440	Camargo	Camargo.	Owen Long.	Fred Ebel.	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
49	Cambridge	Cambridge.	O. E. Sanquist.	Chas. A. Nye.	Thursday on or before full moon.
648	Camden	Camden.	E. L. Daly.	Thos. Hester.	First and third Thursdays of each month.
927	Candida	Chicago.	J. C. Higgins.	L. H. Haire.	Saturday on or before full moon.
575	Capron	Capron.	H. R. Riddle.	A. R. Montgomery.	Every Monday.
904	Carlack	Mechanicsburg.	G. W. Howell.	A. E. Farmer.	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.
732	Carman	Carman.	D. H. Boyer.	E. C. Babcock.	Thursday on or before full moon.
272	Carmi	Carmi.	Fred P. Sherman.	T. H. Land.	Second and fourth Mondays of each month.
900	Carnation	Chicago.	Isaac Conlee.	E. P. Jones.	First and third Tuesdays.
50	Carrlilton	Carrlilton.	John G. Ewing.	F. A. Linder.	First Monday of each month.
442	Cass	Cass.	Casey.	W. W. Bruce.	Second and fourth Mondays of each month.
23	Cass	Beardstown.	F. A. Todd.	H. F. Smith.	First and third Tuesdays.
285	Catlin	Catlin.	John W. Bogges.	W. T. Bogges.	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
444	Cave in Rock	Cave in Rock.	C. H. Prayser.	C. A. Okerson.	Saturday on or before full moon.
124	Cedar	Morris.	G. W. Anderson.	W. M. Bell.	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
747	Centennial	Philo.	C. F. VanVleck.	W. H. Rickey.	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
71	Central	Springfield.	Geo. T. Dutton.	W. D. McKinney.	Second Monday of each month.
201	Centralia	Centralia.	D. D. Robertson.	H. E. Sisson.	First and third Fridays of each month.
600	Cerro Gordo	Cerro Gordo.	H. C. Phillips.	G. W. Vent.	Friday on or before full moon.

867	Chadwick.....	S. F. Waiser	H. J. Rothrock.	First and third Mondays of each month
373	Chambersburg.....	F. L. Hobbs	S. J. Hobbs.	Saturday on or after full moon.
724	Chandlerville.....	J. W. Cherry	Albert Amat.	Second and fourth Mondays of each month.
262	Channahon.....	John T. Dixon.	A. A. Merlath	Tuesday on or before full moon
718	Chapel Hill.....	I. N. Lentz	L. L. Gallemore	Saturday on or after full moon.
838	Charity.....	T. R. Wright	L. D. Armstrong	Wednesday on or before full moon.
35	Charleston.....	G. W. Rosebraugh.	J. P. Harrah	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
236	Charter Oak.....	Waite Heath	P. J. Rose.	First and third Thursdays of each month.
523	Chatham.....	J. L. Lemons.	P. J. Hunter	Saturday on or before full moon
538	Chatsworth.....	John Gingerich	D. W. Hitch	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
429	Chebanse.....	W. H. Ballard	John Burrill	Wednesday on or before full moon.
468	Cheney's Grove.....	John D. Promitt	T. W. Nixon	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
292	Chenoy Valley.....	F. H. Ballinger.	A. J. Farley	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
173	Cherry Valley.....	E. C. Reid.	H. B. Kezar	First and third Saturdays of each month.
72	Chester.....	C. E. Kingsbury	R. M. Ritchey	Monday on or before full moon.
445	Chesterfield.....	Edwin Hewitt	E. E. Beach	Second and fourth Mondays of each month.
437	Chicago.....	S. M. Frankland	R. E. Wollner	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
851	Chicago Heights.....	W. G. Stowell.	E. E. Beach	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
603	Clark.....	S. W. McClellan	James Porter	Monday on or before full moon.
153	Clay.....	J. H. Peck	O. J. Hagebush	Second and fourth Mondays of each month.
488	Clay City.....	W. H. Graham	C. W. Tolver	Thursday on or before full moon.
147	Clayton.....	John E. Hough.	J. R. Moffett	Saturday on or before full moon.
680	Clement.....	D. Maskell.	O. W. Jacobson	First and third Mondays of each month.
211	Cleveland.....	Wm. D. Watson.	W. F. Price	Tuesday on or before full moon.
688	Clifton.....	C. B. Sill.	W. H. Sellers	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
19	Clifton.....	R. A. Nance	J. M. Boden	Third Monday of each month.
466	Coben.....	J. D. Mesler	H. D. Lawrence	First Thursday of each month.
908	Coffeen.....	A. Studebaker.	J. H. Grigg.	Second Friday of each month.
496	Colchester.....	W. E. Kratzer.	H. L. Burford	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
790	Colfax.....	D. A. Horney.	H. A. Arnold	Second and fourth Fridays of each month.
719	Collinsville.....	Cicero Ogle, Jr.	J. R. Jenkins	Tuesday on or before full moon.
714	Collinsville.....	F. L. Engle, Jr.	D. M. Fowler	Second and fourth Saturdays.
474	Columbia.....	F. W. Weinel	Geo. Schoening	Friday on or before full moon.
819	Columbian.....	A. L. Kline	C. H. Roth	First and third Fridays of each month.
227	Columbus.....	J. A. Lohse.	W. S. Ryan	Wednesday on or before full moon.
641	Comet.....	J. H. Ireland	W. A. Horrom	Second and fourth Monday of each month.
929	Compass.....	F. O. Studley	O. L. Carson	First and third Tuesday
870	Composite.....	John H. Ferre	T. E. Quincy	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month
917	Concord.....	D. W. Jones	R. C. Clark	First, third and fifth Thursdays of each month.
783	Constantia.....	Rud Wendt	M. G. Seifert	First and third Thursdays of each month.
820	Constellation.....	F. M. Cruikshank.	E. A. Johnson	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
489	Cooper.....	L. C. Stewart	M. R. Hall	Saturday on or before full moon.
349	Cordova.....	O. C. Handell	W. H. Moody	Friday on or before full moon.
368	Corinthian.....	A. C. McBride	S. T. Reale	First and third Fridays of each month.
808	Cornell.....	J. I. May.	E. E. Haper	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
875	Corner Stone.....	A. J. Wallenta.	E. B. Becroft	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
808	Cornland.....	C. E. Penneman	J. T. Irving	Saturday on or before full moon.
920	Cottonwood.....	W. E. McGuire.	G. N. Harris	First and third Fridays of each month.

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NO.	NAME OF LODGE.	POSTOFFICE.	NAME OF SECRETARY.	NAME OF MASTER.	TIME OF STATED MEETING.
596	Covenant	Chicago.	Paul G. Dunn	A. J. Bernhart	First and third Fridays of each month.
666	Crawford	Eaton.	C. E. Mitchell	B. C. Pawley	*Saturdays on or before full and new moon
817	Creal Springs.	Chicago	F. M. Barnwell	J. L. Whiteside	*Tuesday on or before full moon
865	Crescent.	Chicago	D. R. Roller	D. S. Davidson	Every Wednesday
320	Creston	Creston	O. C. Grutter	H. V. Lynn	First Monday of each month
763	Crete	Crete	L. S. Cole	C. A. Wilder	Third Saturday of each month
584	Cuba	Cuba	N. M. Williamson	C. C. Miles	Monday on or before full moon
188	Cyrus	Mt. Carroll	J. M. Landis	B. K. Peter	First and third Tuesdays of each month
235	Dallas City	Dallas City	Will Prescott	B. W. R Goodheart	Saturday on or before full moon
888	Damascus	Chicago	C. T. Johnson	H. D. Stephenson	First and third Fridays of each month
742	Danvers	Danvers	John S. Popple	H. D. Stephenson	Thursday on or before full moon
556	Dawson.	Dawson	W. R. Constant	S. S. Wiley	Saturday on or before full moon
643	D. C. Cregier	Chicago	Fred F. Handrup	N. Heinsen	Wednesday of each week
833	Dean	Ava	Roger Walwark	John Bennet	Saturday on or before full moon
310	Dearborn.	Chicago	E. G. Tennent	G. D. Chase	First and third Thursdays of each month
141	DeKalb	DeKalb	H. A. Vent	G. E. Noll	First and third Wednesdays of each month
812	DeLand	DeLand	R. D. Moody	J. H. Wood	Tuesday on or before full moon
156	DeLavan	DeLavan	L. W. Lawton	A. R. Patzer	Second and fourth Fridays of each month
525	Della	Elliotstown	T. J. Dunn	T. F. Hale	Saturday on or before full moon
464	Denver	Denver	H. W. Shoup	F. M. Harter	Saturday on or before full moon
287	DeSoto	DeSoto.	Jas. A. Helm	Marion Kelly	Saturday on or before full moon
890	Des Plaines.	Des Plaines.	C. M. Larson	M. A. Payson	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month
84	DeWitt	Clinton	F. C. Hill	J. R. Heskett	Friday on or before full moon
285	Dills.	West Point	Chas. E. Kelley	H. C. Zinn	Thursday on or before full moon
581	Dongola	Dongola	S. O. Boyd	A. N. Williams	First and third Thursdays of each month
255	Donnellson	Donnellson	W. E. Boone	A. H. Young	Tuesday on or before each full moon
319	Doric	Moline	T. A. Burtchael	H. S. Ranson	First Thursday of each month
361	Douglas	Mascoutah	G. A. Hamann	E. F. Scheve	First Saturday of each month
190	Dundee	Dundee	U. S. Bright	A. J. Wint-ringham	First and third Fridays of each month
321	Dunlap	Morrison	W. E. Leavitt	H. J. Ludens	Second Thursday of each month
234	DuQuoin	DuQuoin	E. Musseلمان	E. E. Thornton	First and third Thursdays of each month
502	Durand.	Durand	Edward Nelson	F. L. Randall	First and third Thursdays of each month
504	East St. Louis.	East St. Louis.	E. S. McIntyre	S. L. Beeson	First and third Thursdays of each month
923	East Gate	Chicago	W. J. McKeen	Albert Sloan	First and third Thursdays
672	Eddyville	Eddyville	J. M. Maynor	J. S. Barger	Saturday on or before full moon at 2 p. m
829	Edgar.	Hume.	H. L. Morrow	J. W. Bolt	Tuesday on or before full moon
911	Edgewater	Chicago	Chas. H. Kern	J. A. Freund	First and third Wednesdays
484	Edgewood	Edgewood	Samuel King	J. W. J. Faulk	Saturday on or before full moon
164	Edward Dobbins.	Lawrenceville.	C. H. Parriott	G. W. Lackey	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
69	Edwardsville.	Edwardsville.	T. M. Crossman	G. L. Mooradian	First and third Thursdays of each month
149	Efingham	Efingham	Mannie L. Elbow	W. M. Stewart	First Friday of each month
633	E. F. W. Ellis	Rockford.	Arthur Eastwood	A. R. Davis	Second and fourth Fridays of each month

388 El Dara.	C. F. Frank.	A. Lyons.	Saturday on or before full moon.
730 Eldorado.	V. A. Wilson.	E. L. Bramlet.	Friday on or before full moon.
117 Elgin.	T. B. Rowlands.	W. B. Shales.	Second and fourth Fridays of each month.
276 Elizabeth.	J. Q. A. Ledbetter.	E. F. Wall.	First and third Thursdays of each month.
903 Elkhart.	Chas. B. Taylor.	Morgan Barber.	Third Wednesday of each month.
246 El Paso.	H. F. Saitzman.	M. A. Adams.	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
715 Elvaston.	C. B. Garard.	Hiram Ingersoll.	Tuesday on or before full moon.
919 Elwood.	Geo. J. W. Elb.	B. T. Harley.	Monday on or before full moon.
796 E. M. Husted.	H. P. Weyhrich.	W. A. Jolly.	Monday on or before full moon of each month.
677 Enfield.	E. C. Robinson.	C. W. McCurdy.	First and third Thursdays of each month.
890 Englewood.	Alfred Guthrie.	C. A. Hinscy.	First and third Fridays of each month.
2 Equality.	Thad McIntire.	J. B. Smith.	Monday of each week.
687 Erie.	Harry C. Kinne.	B. W. Dean.	Wednesday before full moon.
65 Euclid.	E. C. Shaffer.	A. Eddy.	First and third Saturday of each month.
69 Eureka.	Frank H. Harris.	F. N. Perry.	Second and fourth Monday of each month.
524 Evans.	W. J. Bristow.	C. H. Smith.	First and third Tuesday of each month.
414 Evening Star.	T. H. Briggs.	O. R. Stabeck.	Friday on or before full moon.
170 Evergreen.	W. N. Cronkrite.	C. H. Stultz.	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
705 Ewing.	W. T. Patterson.	D. G. Fitzgerrell.	First and third Mondays of each month.
97 Excelsior.	Chas. C. Wolf.	R. L. Burkhart.	Saturday on or before full moon.
424 Exeter.	L. L. Sappington.	Norman Campbell.	Thursday on or before full moon.
206 Fairfield.	W. L. Grubb.	H. H. Moore.	First and third Mondays of each month.
590 Fairmount.	Ransom Bloomer.	R. T. Barton.	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
356 Fairview.	John W. Gaddis.	B. L. Ten Eyck.	Thursday on or before full moon.
601 Farina.	J. R. Dillon.	Jas. McClure.	First and third Fridays of each month.
710 Farmer City.	E. A. Williams.	J. H. Stephenson.	Thursday on or before full moon.
232 Farmers.	J. K. West.	A. A. Luckey.	First and third Mondays of each month.
192 Farmington.	W. M. Anderson.	J. C. B. Smith.	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month.
89 Fellowship.	D. A. Bennett.	L. J. Richardson.	Fourth Friday of each month.
152 Fidelity.	Chas. W. Tietzort.	E. W. Stuebing.	First Tuesday of each month.
842 Fides.	G. H. Castle.	C. W. Brown.	Wednesday on or before full moon.
592 Fieldon.	E. F. Brown.	S. B. Evans.	First and third Thursdays of each month.
670 Fillmore.	W. E. Whitlock.	C. A. Tucker.	Saturday on or before full moon.
831 Findlay.	W. S. Miner.	C. A. Tucker.	Monday on or before full moon.
585 Fisher.	L. E. Whitesell.	W. A. Sadler.	First and third Fridays.
204 Flora.	W. H. Hanna.	Wm. Parton.	Tuesday on or before full moon.
614 Forrest.	B. C. Miller.	J. G. Barnhizer.	First Wednesday of each month.
567 Frankfort.	W. B. Welsh.	A. J. Dorriss.	Second and fourth Mondays of each month.
25 Franklin.	H. T. Burnap.	Henry Hallon.	First and third Thursdays of each month.
264 Franklin Grove.	N. A. Whitney.	E. P. Harrison.	Third Saturday of each month.
58 Fraternal.	R. I. Taitman.	C. S. Reed.	Wednesday on or after full moon.
418 Freeburg.	C. H. Makeever.	D. D. Harner.	Wednesday on or before full moon.
194 Freedom.	J. E. Keeler.	C. R. Lucas.	Saturday on or before full moon.
872 Free Will.	J. S. Mason.	C. L. Spanner.	First and third Thursdays of each month.
7 Friendship.	O. B. Anderson.	Wm. D. Haum.	Thursday on or before full moon.
341 Full Moon.	C. J. Slaten.	D. C. Slaten.	Saturday on or before full moon.

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189	Fulton City.....	Fulton.....	J. M. Eaton.....	Ge. Lein.....	Monday on or before full moon.
684	Gallatia.....	Gallatia.....	W. W. Ramsey.....	O. S. Stone.....	Saturday on or before full moon.
243	Galva.....	Galva.....	E. S. Sanders.....	C. B. Aby.....	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
141	Garden City.....	Chicago.....	Geo. H. Vaupell.....	C. Langhenry.....	Tuesday of each week.
573	Gardner.....	Chicago.....	W. S. Allison.....	Walter Ferguson.....	First and third Mondays of each month.
786	Garfield.....	Chicago.....	C. W. Waldack.....	Fran. B. Anen.....	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
139	Geneva.....	Geneva.....	W. A. Schwanz.....	L. T. Wilcox.....	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
288	Genoa.....	Geneva.....	C. D. Schoonmaker.....	Jas. Hutchison.....	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.
222	Geo. Washington.....	Chicago.....	A. M. Root.....	Antone Andersen.....	First and third Mondays of each month.
185	Germania.....	Chicago.....	John B. Hartke.....	C. O. Kuehne.....	First and third Thursdays of each month.
733	Gibson.....	Gibson City.....	P. C. McKay.....	J. M. Pendergast.....	First and third Mondays of each month.
382	Gill.....	Lynnville.....	G. R. Middleton.....	F. D. Moore.....	First and third Mondays of each month.
214	Gillespie.....	Gillespie.....	G. W. Schmidt.....	J. N. Ross.....	Tuesday on or before full moon.
809	Gilham.....	Woburn.....	J. A. Snow, Sr.....	D. R. Elam.....	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.
591	Gilman.....	Chicago.....	D. W. Miller.....	G. L. Harris.....	Thursday on or before full moon.
918	Gil. W. Barnard.....	Chicago.....	R. F. Cheyne.....	O. L. Banks.....	Second and fourth Fridays of each month.
171	Girard.....	Girard.....	O. B. Metcalf.....	M. H. Thorsort.....	Monday on or before full moon.
131	Golconda.....	Golconda.....	S. L. Morse.....	J. W. Browning.....	Monday on or before full moon.
248	Golden Gate.....	Prairie City.....	I. E. Wittenmeyer.....	J. W. Wilson.....	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
728	Golden Rule.....	Chicago.....	A. J. Cornell.....	J. F. Warmington.....	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
617	Good Hope.....	Good Hope.....	W. H. James.....	G. C. James.....	Thursday on or before full moon.
744	Goode.....	Vall-r.....	C. E. Veach.....	L. G. Payne.....	Saturday on or before full moon.
473	Gordon.....	Pocahontas.....	D. R. Wilkins.....	W. S. Hilbert.....	Friday on or before full moon.
852	Gothic.....	East St. Louis.....	I. H. Todd.....	G. B. Moore.....	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
660	Grand Chain.....	New Grand Chain.....	J. T. Mackey.....	R. P. Evers.....	Monday on or before full moon.
770	Grand Crossing.....	Chicago.....	L. A. Pierce.....	L. E. Soulliet.....	Saturday of each week.
871	Granite City.....	Granite City.....	Jas. W. Mills.....	Wm. Harris.....	First and third Saturdays of each month.
UD	Grant Park.....	Grant Park.....	Thornton G. Capps.....	B. M. Kincaid.....	Friday on or before full moon.
129	Greenfield.....	Greenfield.....	Ed Peters.....	W. C. Travis.....	Thursday on or before full moon.
125	Greenup.....	Greenup.....	R. S. Robinson.....	C. H. D. Fry.....	Tuesday on or before full moon.
653	Greenview.....	Greenview.....	C. K. Denny.....	J. G. Wright.....	First Wednesday of each month.
245	Greenville.....	Greenville.....	John S. Peimley.....	F. E. Howe.....	Second and fourth Fridays of each month.
45	Griggsville.....	Griggsville.....	John H. Griffiths.....	F. L. Belsley.....	Second and fourth Fridays of each month.
824	Grove.....	Downer's Grove.....	E. N. Moschel.....	C. W. Murrie.....	Monday on or before full moon.
352	Groveland.....	Morton.....	Oscar Nelson.....	E. T. Crook.....	Saturday on or before full moon at 2 o'clock p. m.
778	Gurney.....	Allen Springs.....	Alex Reid.....	W. C. Hamilton.....	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
443	Hampshire.....	Hampshire.....	Wm H. Bartel's.....	T. D. Sblipion.....	Second Monday of each month.
230	Hancock.....	Carthage.....	Geo. H. Cottrall.....	A. C. Bell.....	First and third Fridays of each month.
905	Hanover.....	Hanover.....	G. D. Rose grant.....	J. A. Bond.....	Wednesday of each week.
731	Harbor.....	Chicago.....	R. E. Xiorl D' Tompkins.....	Leonard H.uston.....	*Saturday on or before full moon.
44	Hardin.....	Mt. Sterling.....	I. G. Pringle.....	C. P. Ross.....	*Saturday on or before full moon.
756	Hardinsville.....	Hardinsville.....	Chas. L. Hayden.....		First and third Mondays of each month.
3	Harmony.....	Jacksonville.....			

325 Harrisburg	J. W. Richardson	G. W. McKittrick	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
326 Harvey	H. W. Megraw	J. C. Deiner	Second and third Mondays of each month.
327 Harvey	John J. Gard	J. S. Van Deursen	Second and fourth Mondays of each month.
328 Havana	Adolph Schill	O. F. Tinkham	First Monday of each month.
329 Hazel Dell	W. H. Harrison	Pete Pearson	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
330 Hazel Dell	Geo. B. Phillips	Robt. Woodrich	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
331 Hebron	J. Auchenbaugh	C. T. McLean	Saturday on or before full moon.
332 Henderson	Frank Johnson	C. E. Smith	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
333 Henry	Chas. Schaeiz	Chas. Vitzlen	First and third Mondays of each month.
334 Herder	Gu-tay Schaeiz	F. C. Neumann	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
335 Herman	Wm. R. Strawn	Jos. White	First and third Thursdays of each month.
336 Heritage	Dick H. Davis	G. A. Starkweather	Saturday on or before full moon.
337 Herrick	A. A. McMurray	Edwin Daggelield	First and third Thursdays of each month.
338 Herrin's Prairie	C. R. Walker	S. C. Middleton	Thursday of each week.
339 Hesperia	G. D. Ulrich	S. C. Middleton	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
340 Highworth	Thomas A. Jones	S. C. Middleton	Second Saturday of each month.
341 Hibbard	L. J. Appel	A. R. Ratner	First Thursday of each month.
342 Highland	A. W. Prince	W. C. Watson	Second and fourth Mondays of each month.
343 Hincley	C. W. Mitchell	Lewis Johnson	Wednesday on or before full moon.
344 Hindsboro	H. H. Blake	Garnett Orr	Friday of each week.
345 Home	A. O. Elliott	F. A. Lahman	Tuesday on or before full moon.
346 Homer	Chas. Groves	S. E. Grigg	Second and fourth Friday of each month.
347 Hoopole	S. A. Leemon	R. J. Rail-back	Friday on or before full moon.
348 Hope	H. F. Fienniken	C. A. Vance	First and third Thursdays of each month.
349 Hopedale	H. L. Kelly	F. W. Craft	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
350 Horeb	Walter D. Pickle	G. W. Lawrence	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
351 Horicon	Jacob H. Maher	Oscar Formbals	Thursday on or after full moon.
352 Hull	Fred A. Gerding	C. J. Fa selow	Second and fourth Fridays of each month.
353 Humboldt	John C. Grootzinger	C. J. Fa selow	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
354 Humboldt Park	Geo. Harris	C. G. Pearce	Saturday on or before full moon.
355 Huntville	B. O. McNutt	C. M. McMorris	Saturday on or before full moon.
356 Huntville	H. O. Devinney	H. D. Brown	Saturday on or before full moon.
357 Hutsonville	F. M. Hornbacker	H. D. Brown	Fourth Tuesday of each month.
358 Hutton	L. D. Barnum	L. G. Metcalf	First and third Mondays of each month.
359 Illinois	H. A. Hoffman	J. M. Pennington	Thursday on or before full moon.
360 Illinois Central	Arthur White	Eric Patrick	Thursday on or before full moon.
361 Illinois	Chas. Stark	B. C. Peck	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.
362 Illinois	S. M. Kinsey	B. C. Diehl	Second Monday of each month.
363 Ionia	C. P. Kelly	Wm. Taylor	Saturday on or before full moon.
364 Ionia	W. S. Amlin	W. E. Brickman	Friday on or before full moon.
365 Irving	John C. House	P. V. Cooves	Wednesday on or before full moon.
366 Jackson	E. L. Kinney	J. A. Hendman	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
367 Jackson Park	Henry A. Hinderer	E. S. Polen	First and third Thursdays of each month.
368 Jacksonville	M. V. B. Montgomery	F. C. Hambleton	Friday on or before full moon.
369 John D. Moody	J. C. Bestow	E. S. Daniels	Wednesday on or before full moon.
370 Jefferson	J. G. Erwin	H. S. Hendricks	Second and fourth Saturdays in each month.
371 Jeffersonville	E. H. Cooley		Monday on or before full moon.
372 Jeffersonville			Monday on or before full moon.
373 Jerseyville			Monday on or before full moon.
374 Jerusalem Temple			Monday on or before full moon.
375 Aurora			Monday on or before full moon.

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800	J. B. Sherman.	Chicago	F. T. Rusch.	Otto Drews.	Tuesday of each week.
818	L. Anderson.	Augusta	J. D. Hess.	J. A. Mead.	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
718	Jo Daviess.	Warren	E. J. Wilcox.	M. F. Kleeberger.	Second and fourth Fridays.
713	Johns-onville.	Johns-onville	F. M. Galbraith.	W. M. Alvis.	First and third Saturdays of each month.
111	Jonesboro.	Jonesboro	Edward Lee.	R. H. Slack.	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
706	Jopla.	Cowden	Chas. E. Ziegler.	G. N. Mason.	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
537	J. K. Gorin	Sadorus	E. E. Crow.	D. J. Holtermann.	Saturday on or before full moon.
389	Kankakee	Kankakee	Chas. F. Whitmore.	G. J. Wohner.	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
290	Kansas	Kansas	J. E. Hite.	F. S. Anderson.	*Wednesday on or before full moon.
86	Kaskaskia.	Evansville	Geo. N. Sauer.	W. M. Schuwerk.	First Saturday after first quarter of each month.
36	Kavanaugh.	Elizabeth	W. J. Dovey.	E. A. Lakin.	Saturday on or before full moon.
340	Kedron.	Mt. Auburn	G. H. Sherman.	E. M. Wiswell.	Wednesday on or before full moon.
471	Kendall.	Yorkville	Jas. A. Goddard.	R. K. Feitch.	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.
430	Kendrick.	Timewell.	H. A. Goddard.	L. F. Norton.	Saturday on or before full moon.
800	Kenwood.	Chicago	H. A. Wray.	Jas. McLeod.	Saturday of each week.
159	Kewanee.	Chicago	Arthur J. Rancy.	I. N. Powell.	Monday of each week.
639	Keystone.	Kewanee	J. M. Thrasher.	C. W. White.	First and third Fridays of each month.
311	Kilwinning.	Chicago	Peter E. Stevens.	Geo. Schal.	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
353	Kinderhook.	Chicago	J. W. McGaffey.	Chas. Welland.	First and third Thursdays of each month.
855	King Oscar.	Kinderhook	F. A. Longnecker.	A. C. Bancroft.	Wednesday on or before full moon.
197	King Solomon's.	Chicago	N. J. Johnson.	B. T. Henneckson.	First and third Fridays of each month.
266	Kings-ton.	Kane	C. E. Green.	W. T. Pope.	Saturday before full moon.
388	Kinmundy.	pairweather	E. F. Kelly.	R. G. Askew.	Saturday on or before full moon.
402	Kishwaukee.	Kinmundy	C. A. Combs.	F. W. S. ark.	First and third Tuesdays in each month.
896	Kosmos.	Kingston	O. W. Viekell.	F. W. S. ark.	Thursday on or before full moon.
61	Lacon.	Lacon	R. E. Baker.	F. A. Prosch.	Every Friday of each month.
657	La Payette.	Grand Tower	R. H. Maxwell.	Elias Hexter.	Second and fourth Mondays of each month.
770	La Grange.	La Grange.	L. M. Crow.	J. T. Evans.	Thursday on or before full moon.
195	La Harpe.	La Harpe.	Norton L. Rowler.	F. M. Pepper.	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
729	Lake Creek.	La Harpe	E. I. Soule.	G. E. Campbell.	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
739	Lake Side.	Johnston City	Gordon Pillow.	Marshall Ozment.	Second and fourth Thursdays in each month.
774	Lake View.	Chicago	J. Meek Finley.	H. A. Howison.	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
659	Lambert.	Chicago	Geo. H. Fritzzell.	A. H. Fry.	First and third Thursdays of each month.
383	La Moille.	Quincy	Charles E. Lane.	H. C. Bruhn.	*Friday on or before full moon.
423	Lanark.	La Moille.	J. W. Clapp.	L. D. Smith.	First and third Thursdays of each month.
106	Lancaster.	Lanark	E. M. Tallman.	J. R. Snively.	Friday on or before full moon.
422	Landmark.	Glasford	J. I. Maple.	Sam'l Barron.	Friday on or before full moon.
267	La Prairie.	Chicago	John Hosbury.	C. E. Black.	First and third Monday of each month.
853	Latham.	Golden	Seneca Seby.	Jas. Baird.	Saturday on or before full moon.
203	Lavelly.	Latham	M. M. Vaughn.	Chas. Phillip.	Saturday on or after full moon.
815	Lawn.	Williams-ville	W. R. Brittain.	S. J. McKinsey.	Second and fourth Mondays of each month.
		Chicago	J. R. Hayden.	W. H. Turney.	

4151	Lawn Ridge.	Speer	Wm. Gray.	Wm. Grant Burdick.	Wednesday on or before full moon.
110	Lebanon	J. B. Sager.	J. B. Sager.	E. P. Baker.	Tuesday on or before full moon.
146	Lee Center	Lee Center.	A. Aschenbrenner.	F. M. Blowers.	Friday on or before full moon.
588	Leland	Leland	Wm. Julian.	U. N. Thornton.	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
174	Lena	Lena	Geo. A. Boeke.	D. M. De Graff.	Wednesday on or before full moon.
748	Lerna	Lerna	W. L. Funkhouser.	W. H. Williams.	Saturday on or before full moon.
921	Leroy	Leroy	W. E. LaFollette.	John Evanston.	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
557	Lessing	Chicago.	Alex Lampe.	Henry Huttman.	First and third Tuesdays in each month.
270	Levi Lusk	Arlington.	R. B. VanLaw.	S. P. Prescott.	Wednesday on or before full moon.
104	Lewistown.	Lewistown.	E. J. Hughes.	R. D. Quigley.	Friday on or before full moon.
482	Lexington.	Lexington.	H. B. Perry.	E. B. Arbogast.	First and third Thursdays of each month.
380	Liberty	Liberty	A. L. Enlow.	J. N. Spicer.	Thurs on or before full moon, and 2 weeks after
492	Libertyville.	Libertyville	C. F. Smale, Jr.	Thos. Corlett.	Second and fourth Saturdays in each month.
135	Lima	Lima	Wm. Bolt.	J. W. Jacobs.	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month.
611	Lincoln Park	Chicago.	C. L. Griggs.	W. D. Lilje.	First and third Fridays of each month.
517	Litchfield.	Litchfield.	E. E. McCarty.	C. H. Parker.	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
766	Littleton.	Littleton.	Frank W. Ford.	Jas. Little.	Saturday on or before full moon.
371	Livingston.	Dwight	H. C. Foster.	W. J. Drew.	First and third Mondays of each month.
490	Loami.	Loami	M. P. Johnson.	R. P. Greer.	Wednesday on or before full moon.
538	Lockport.	Lockport.	J. T. Branson.	E. A. Kingson.	First and third Thursdays of each month.
623	Locust.	Locust	C. W. Paisley.	H. P. Crawford.	Saturday on or before full moon.
291	Logan.	Logan.	W. H. Hadam.	H. C. Chamer.	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
810	London.	London	J. C. Fox.	F. L. Miller.	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
548	London.	London Mills	B. N. Turner.	F. P. Colehower.	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.
552	Long Point.	Long Point.	F. N. Rice.	J. O. Wade.	Wednesday on or before full moon.
893	Lorraine.	Lorraine.	G. F. Bell.	J. Schoennesshoefer.	Wednesday on or before full moon.
870	Louisville	Louisville	B. S. Moore.	W. A. Kerr.	Thursday on or before full moon.
196	Louisbury	Barrington	A. A. Ultsch.	Arthur Welchett.	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month.
751	Lovington.	Lovington	G. W. Bryant.	B. N. McMullin.	Saturday on or before full moon.
228	Lyndon.	Lyndon.	A. P. Hoil.	P. C. Eley.	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month.
750	Lyndon.	Lyndon.	M. A. Stout.	J. A. Long, Sr.	Saturday on or before full moon.
132	Mackinaw.	Mackinaw	W. E. Dudman.	S. P. Odenweller.	First Friday of each month.
17	Macomb.	Macomb	W. A. Dixon.	H. W. Crabb.	First Friday of each month.
8	Macoon.	Decatur.	Henry Scharf.	Oscar Labowsky.	First Friday on or before full moon.
560	Madison	New Douglas	S. B. Mitchell.	Perry Dakin.	First and third Saturdays of each month.
103	Magnolia.	Magnolia.	F. E. Bryan.	F. O. Jahr.	Monday on or before full moon.
220	Mahomet.	Mahomet	H. V. Gher.	J. G. Jenkins.	Thursday on or before full moon.
434	Makanda.	Makanda.	C. S. Heaton.	L. C. Funk.	Tuesday on or before full moon.
229	Manchester.	Manchester	D. D. Zimmerman.	J. A. McComas.	First Wednesday of each month.
476	Manito.	Manito.	Chas. Slater.	W. R. Mersereau.	Second and fourth Mondays of each month.
773	Manitowish.	Manitowish	C. F. Maple.	C. E. Hartsook.	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
530	Maquon	Maquon	C. T. Shephard.	F. P. Taylor.	Saturday on or before full moon.
114	Marcelline	Marcelline	C. J. Coarson.	W. B. J. Cox.	Second and fourth Mondays of each month.
138	Marengo.	Marengo.	Louis Brandes.	Chas. May.	Wednesday on or before full moon.
355	Marine.	Marine.	L. O. Vogt.	C. O. Ogle.	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
130	Marion	Salem	F. J. Wagner.	W. C. Stewart.	Saturday on or before full moon.
881	Marissa	Marissa	James H. Sterling.	A. V. Bowden.	First Tuesday of each month.
454	Maroa.	Maroa.			

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417	Marselles.	Marselles.	Cyrus H. Makeever.	D. D. Barker.	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
133	Marshall	Warshall	K. D. Smith	E. B. Behner	Wednesday on or before full moon.
491	Marlin	East Dubuque.	J. S. Branstetter.	R. H. Heller	First Saturday of each month.
815	Martinton	Martinton	J. H. Peltier	O. Sillies	First and third Thursdays of each month.
217	Mason	Mason	A. G. Kincaid.	E. M. Cbell.	Wednesday on or before full moon.
403	Mason City	Mason City	J. F. Culp.	A. P. Johnson	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
175	Matteson	Joliet.	J. W. Pithlan	A. W. H. Plumb	First and third Mondays of each month.
290	Mattson	Mattson	S. B. Patheal.	G. N. Todd	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month.
718	May	Norris City.	J. L. Harrell.	Ira Shain	Saturday on or before full moon.
664	Mayo	Winterrrowd.	C. C. Clark	J. A. McKorkle	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
869	Maywood	Mazon	M. E. Brigham	S. D. H. man	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
826	Mazon	Mazon	W. C. Bradford.	J. F. Garner	Second and fourth Mondays of each month.
158	McHenry	McHenry	W. F. Rice	Harvey Price	Second and fourth Mondays of each month.
409	McLean	McLean	W. N. Ewing	G. W. Morrill	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
811	McLvin	McLvin	G. T. I. hi	H. N. Boshell	Saturday on or before full moon.
449	Mendon	Mendon	A. D. Nutt	C. H. Nutt	Second Tuesday of each month.
176	Mendota	Mendota	E. A. Walker	O. P. Harris	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
183	Meridian	Earlville	D. L. Barnard	G. S. Wiley	Saturday on or before full moon.
505	Meridian Sun	Holtcomb	F. E. Sheaff	J. C. Sheaff	Second and fourth Fridays of each month.
283	Metcor.	Sandwich	C. L. Sunson.	W. H. Whitson	First Monday of each month.
91	Metropolis.	Metropolis	E. G. Whymers, Jr.	Daniel Miller	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
890	Metropolltan	Chicago.	Luke Nettleton	R. L. Ar. y	Wednesday on or before full moon.
595	Miles Hart	Clays	A. M. Blythe	J. W. Wilson	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
168	Milford	Milford	E. S. Herrin	C. M. Slife	First and third Thursdays of each month.
345	Milledgeville	Milledgeville	F. O. Wolfe	J. C. Eastabrooks	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
275	Milton	Milton	J. A. Miller	J. I. Doss	Saturday before each full moon.
273	Miners	Galena	F. H. Turner	M. N. Pond	First and third Fridays of each month.
528	Minooka	Savanna	C. H. Parmenter.	Alvert Heap	First and third Thursdays of each month.
385	Mississippi	Pinckneyville.	D. C. Smith	J. L. Breaton	First and third Thursdays of each month.
85	Michal	Chicago.	A. Gruner	E. F. Bartle	Second Monday of each month.
410	Milbra	Chicago.	Pred Knopf	C. Oestreich	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
768	Mizpah	Gold n Gate	J. E. Russell.	W. H. Mooney	Second and fourth Mondays of each month.
925	Molenna	Momence	W. J. Stallings.	L. D. Leach	First and third Tuesdays of each month
481	Monce	Elgin	F. E. Lane.	A. L. Nickerson	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
522	Monitor	Monmouth	W. H. Seely	E. C. Jude	First and third Tuesdays of each month
37	Morning Star	Canon	D. D. Dunkle	R. E. Edgerton	First and third Thursdays of each month
734	Morning Star	Canon	E. S. Gaylord	R. L. Mu ton	Fourth Saturday of each month.
787	Morrisville	Waterloo.	C. H. Koenigsmark.	A. G. Wilson	Thursday on or before full moon.
681	Morrisville	Morrisville	A. L. Stecks	J. M. Wilson	First Tuesday of each month.
123	Mound	Taylorville	W. M. Shaw	J. L. Taylor	Second and fourth Fridays of each month.
180	Moweaqua.	Moweaqua	Chas. E. Colbert	J. L. Klump	Second and fourth Fridays of each month.
656	Mozart	Bloomington	P. F. Hoerman	Henry Quosick	Second Tuesday of each month.

239 Mt. Carmel.....	W. P. Orland.....	J. M. Hughes.....	First and third Tuesdays of each month.....
331 Mt. Erie.....	D. C. Berg.....	J. Brinker.....	First and third Saturdays of each month.....
42 Mt. Joliet.....	F. E. Whallon.....	H. A. Bowers.....	First and third Fridays of each month.....
51 Mt. Moriah.....	J. E. Potter.....	W. R. McLean.....	First and third Thursdays of each month.....
57 Mt. Nebo.....	S. W. David.....	C. H. Woods.....	First and third Thursdays of each month.....
87 Mt. Pulaski.....	C. M. Sikke.....	J. M. Rothwell.....	Saturday on or before full moon.....
31 Mt. Vernon.....	W. H. Stull.....	G. W. Howard.....	First and third Mondays of each month.....
396 Muddy Point.....	W. H. Brimberry.....	F. Hackley.....	Tuesday on or before full moon.....
498 Murphysboro.....	R. L. Hagler.....	G. J. Koons.....	Monday on or before full moon.....
432 Murphysville.....	Edwin Bradley.....	C. C. Self.....	Thursday on or before full moon.....
755 Myrtle.....	Martin Alexan.....	L. A. Lang.....	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.....
758 Mystic Star.....	F. M. Bishop.....	Adam Ferguson.....	First and third Thursdays of each month.....
187 Mystic Tie.....	Abraham Wright.....	W. T. Schell, Jr.....	First and third Thursdays of each month.....
346 N. D. Morse.....	L. C. Cooper.....	E. Cooper.....	Monday on or before full moon.....
806 Nebo.....	D. A. Richard.....	A. Wall.....	Thursday on or after full moon.....
279 Neoga.....	T. W. Higgins.....	W. R. Whitney.....	Thursday on or before full moon.....
803 Neponset.....	G. W. Whaples.....	W. E. Whaples.....	First and third Thursdays of each month.....
59 New Boston.....	H. O. Baner.....	E. L. Willis.....	*Saturday before full moon.....
773 New Burnside.....	O. A. Wise.....	J. M. Howerton.....	Saturday on or before full moon.....
821 New Canton.....	J. R. Easley.....	C. L. Hopkins.....	Saturday on or before full moon.....
336 New Columbia.....	Bert Cummings.....	T. M. Harris.....	Saturday on or before full moon.....
453 New Hartford.....	Grant Hillings.....	W. J. Cunningham.....	First and third Wednesdays of each month.....
230 New Haven.....	O. M. Harvey.....	L. M. Taylor.....	*Friday on or before full moon.....
741 New Holland.....	F. H. Patton.....	J. G. Snyder.....	Saturday on or before full moon.....
630 Newman.....	C. E. Douglas.....	J. W. Hanners.....	*Saturday on or before full moon.....
399 New Salem.....	W. R. Hooper.....	J. E. Martin.....	Saturday on or before full moon.....
216 Newton.....	H. D. Yelvington.....	H. B. Roebuck.....	Saturday on or before full moon.....
874 Nifong.....	W. A. Solomon.....	J. T. Ch. wning.....	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each m. nth.....
363 Noble.....	C. M. Fleming.....	Fred Henry.....	Thursday on or before full moon.....
456 Nokomis.....	Noble.....	G. H. Webster.....	Wednesday on or before full moon.....
673 Normal.....	Geo. Champion.....	R. G. Bright.....	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.....
707 Normal Park.....	C. W. Hubbard.....	W. M. Hallenbeck.....	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.....
611 Norton.....	P. C. Breneisa.....	W. R. Watus.....	Friday on or before full moon.....
160 Nunda.....	W. H. McCollum.....	W. M. Freeman.....	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.....
219 Oakland.....	O. M. Sherman.....	Frank Winkler.....	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.....
240 Oak Park.....	D. D. Brown.....	Eliel Hill.....	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.....
64 Oblong City.....	J. G. Comly.....	J. C. Brown.....	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.....
40 Occidental.....	C. E. Pettit.....	W. S. Sales.....	Friday on or before full moon.....
382 Oconee.....	L. H. Littlejohn.....	J. W. Heckethorn.....	Monday on or before full moon.....
401 Odell.....	W. H. Blanchard.....	A. W. Roerud.....	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.....
593 Odell.....	A. J. Farthing.....	F. H. Roebush.....	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.....
576 O Fallon.....	H. E. Fischer.....	A. M. Gordon.....	Monday of each week.....
754 Ogden.....	J. K. Freeman.....	Abner Sikry.....	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.....
897 Ogden Park.....	John Waterson.....	F. F. Lemme.....	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.....
814 Ohio.....	H. A. Jackson.....	F. F. Anderson.....	First and third Saturdays of each month.....
506 O. H. Miner.....	A. M. Pearce.....	N. S. Pearce.....	First and third Tuesdays of each month.....
38 Olive Branch.....	J. P. Sutton.....	H. P. Blose.....	First and third Tuesdays of each month.....

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140	Olney.....	Olney.....	J. E. Glathart.....	J. S. Freeman.....	Third Monday of each month.
864	Olympia.....	Chicago.....	C. P. Manwaring.....	G. A. Goetsch.....	Tuesday of each week.
723	Omaha.....	Omaha.....	R. S. Bryant.....	H. P. Blackard.....	Wednesday on or before full moon.
305	Omaha.....	Omaha.....	C. B. Brewer.....	L. W. Furbush.....	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
337	Oneida.....	Oneida.....	A. H. Anderson.....	A. C. Miller.....	First and third Fridays of each month.
123	Oquawka.....	Oquawka.....	J. F. Pawley.....	W. P. Martin.....	Wednesday on or before full moon.
687	Orangeville.....	Orangeville.....	G. I. Cadwell.....	M. W. Gouse.....	First and third Thursdays of each month.
420	Oregon.....	Oregon.....	F. G. Taylor.....	F. Lundstrom.....	First Wednesday of each month.
323	Orient.....	Wayne City.....	L. M. Forth.....	A. J. Scudamore.....	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
333	Oriental.....	Lisbon.....	Jesse Dunning.....	N. J. Cobleigh.....	First and third Saturdays of each month.
358	Oriental.....	Chicago.....	Chas. Catlin.....	F. S. Catlin.....	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
367	Oxford.....	Union.....	A. Bright.....	A. Kreamer.....	Tuesday on or before full moon.
66	Pacific.....	New Windsor.....	E. E. Petrie.....	M. I. Robb.....	First and third Thursdays of each month.
765	Palace.....	Knoxville.....	W. S. Heagy.....	C. T. Liken.....	Thursday of each week.
314	Palatine.....	Pullman.....	E. T. Adams.....	H. M. Rachlitz.....	First and third Saturdays of each month.
463	Palatine.....	Palatine.....	C. D. Taylor.....	H. H. Pabلمان.....	Saturday on or before full moon.
463	Palmyra.....	Palmyra.....	H. K. Hulse.....	C. E. Foreman.....	First and fourth Mondays of each month.
226	Pana.....	Pana.....	L. W. Paul.....	C. E. Barnett.....	First and third Thursdays of each month.
268	Paris.....	Paris.....	E. E. Lodge.....	M. J. Gallagher.....	First Thursday of each month.
508	Parkersburg.....	Parkersburg.....	H. L. Parker.....	F. M. Rash.....	Saturday on or before full moon.
843	Park.....	Chicago.....	Harry Hammond.....	A. J. "art.....	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
899	Park Manor.....	Chicago.....	J. F. Stewart.....	D. S. Mellinger.....	Saturday of each week.
613	Patoka.....	Patoka.....	J. W. Delassus.....	W. W. Murrin.....	First and third Mondays of each month.
675	Pawnee.....	Pawnee.....	G. E. Galyen.....	M. Funderburk.....	Saturday on or before full moon.
416	Paxton.....	Paxton.....	R. J. Atwood.....	E. A. Gardner.....	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
379	Payson.....	Payson.....	Z. V. McNutt.....	C. E. Gabriel.....	*Tuesday on or before full moon.
823	Pearl.....	Pearl City.....	C. G. Robinson.....	M. W. Hooker.....	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
29	Pekin.....	Pekin.....	F. W. Soady.....	J. J. Crosby.....	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
15	Peoria.....	Peoria.....	W. J. Steube.....	Wm H. Mains.....	Last Monday of each month.
636	Peotone.....	Peotone.....	J. J. McMahon.....	H. M. Osman.....	First and third Thursdays of each month.
574	Pera.....	Ludlow.....	H. M. Shinker.....	C. H. Her.....	First, third, and fifth Saturdays of each month.
35	Perry.....	Perry.....	J. B. Gregory.....	J. L. Baldwin.....	Saturday on or before full moon.
436	Paulo.....	Port Byron.....	A. G. Brewster.....	B. B. Buntley.....	Wednesday on or before full moon.
27	Plaza.....	Alton.....	W. G. Weston.....	L. Caywood.....	First Tuesday of each month.
608	Piper.....	Piper City.....	Earl Sedman.....	C. A. CcLain.....	First and third Thursdays of each month.
530	Pittsfield.....	Pittsfield.....	P. F. Grote.....	R. D. Mattner.....	Second Monday of each month.
536	Plainfield.....	Plainfield.....	J. E. Browne.....	A. E. Moutinger.....	First and third Fridays of each month.
601	Plainview.....	Plainview.....	L. Taylor.....	A. M. Taylor.....	Saturday on or before full moon.
763	Pleasant Hill.....	Pleasant Hill.....	F. S. Berry.....	W. Windmiller.....	Saturday on or before full moon.
703	Pleasant Plains.....	Pleasant Plains.....	P. E. Rain.....	W. H. Dorand.....	Wednesday on or before full moon.
478	Pleatades.....	Chicago.....	H. G. Underwood.....	C. R. Young.....	Thursday of each week.

554 Plum River.	R. A. Oliver.	A. M. Smith.	Thursday on or before full moon.
286 Plymouth.	W. S. Bemick.	R. J. Cloud.	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
137 Polk.	W. M. Asbury.	O. C. Daws.	First and third Thursdays of each month.
284 Pontiac.	G. D. Warren.	J. C. Greekebaum.	Second and third Thursdays of each month.
782 Potomac.	A. Spry.	H. M. Lucke.	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
177 Prairie.	F. C. Brown.	C. H. Hutton.	First Tuesday of each month.
578 Prairie City.	F. C. Brown.	C. H. Hutton.	Saturday on or before full moon.
785 Pre-emption.	F. C. Brown.	C. H. Hutton.	Friday on or before full moon.
387 Princeton.	H. B. Tomlinson.	E. S. Johnson.	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
300 Princetonville.	J. F. Stretcher.	Eugene Moran.	First and third Saturdays of each month.
283 Prophetstown.	J. F. Carman.	A. M. Sloan.	Second and fourth Mondays of each month.
111 Providence.	J. H. Feilicher.	Amos Ogan.	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
887 Pyramid.	J. W. Kwon.	Heno Dins.	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
286 Quincy.	J. W. Mackoy.	C. E. Bandy.	First and third Saturdays of each month.
128 Raleigh.	B. T. Maties.	C. H. Sander.	Second and fourth Mondays of each month.
735 Rankin.	C. E. Groves.	M. V. Carter.	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
750 Rankin.	V. M. Ayle.	Clinton Rice.	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
750 Rankin.	F. I. Wells.	John Willey.	First and third Saturdays of each month.
303 Rankin.	C. S. Barker.	T. B. Drew.	Second and fourth Mondays of each month.
777 Ravenswood.	C. N. Backley.	J. E. McDavid.	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
492 Raymond.	F. D. Gerry.	J. J. Fox.	Saturday on or before full moon.
491 Red Bud.	F. D. Gerry.	F. A. Brown.	Wednesday on or before full moon.
419 Republic.	E. L. Krenner.	J. P. Linselman.	First and third Thursdays of each month.
497 Reynoldsburg.	E. L. Krenner.	A. M. Gibbs.	First and third Mondays of each month.
143 Richard Cole.	T. C. Bower.	C. M. Harrold.	First and third Saturdays of each month.
632 Richmond.	H. C. Barker.	S. M. Combs.	Thursday on or before full moon.
816 Ridge Farm.	W. C. Barnum.	S. J. Tye.	Wednesday on or before full moon.
816 Ridgway.	C. E. Frankenburg.	G. W. Churchhill.	First and third Saturdays of each month.
115 Rising Sun.	C. J. Wightman.	W. S. Harman.	First and third Thursdays of each month.
862 Riverside.	C. J. Wightman.	W. C. Fester.	Thursday on or before full moon.
113 Riverton Union.	H. H. Orubb.	W. E. King.	Friday on or before full moon.
250 Robert Burns.	J. F. Maden.	F. E. Lathrop.	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.
247 Robinson.	J. F. Smith.	John Goodwin.	Wednesday on or before full moon.
635 Rob Morris.	J. E. Series.	C. D. M. Ford.	First and third Thursdays of each month.
102 Rochester.	H. McFarlin.	W. B. Payton.	First and third Fridays of each month.
658 Rock Island.	H. S. Bohman.	W. J. Burleigh.	First and third Thursdays of each month.
830 Rockport.	J. W. Hines.	A. V. Hill.	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
612 Rock River.	B. B. Hills.	J. R. Walker.	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
714 Rockton.	W. H. White.	C. A. Ransom.	Tuesday on or before full moon.
721 Rome.	W. H. Wilson.	C. A. Ransom.	First and third Saturdays of each month.
519 Rossville.	W. H. Carr.	J. S. Christman.	First and third Thursdays of each month.
527 Rosville.	J. A. Smothers.	J. R. Hunt.	Saturday on or before full moon.
807 Royal.	C. D. Kern.	T. E. Bottenberg.	Tuesday on or before full moon.
91 Rusville.	G. E. Glossop.		

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154	Russell.	Georgetown.	Otis H-nderson.	W. H. Nicholis.	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
338	Russellville.	Flat Rock.	D. C. Bristol.	W. E. McClure.	Wednesday on or before full moon.
477	Rutland.	Rutland.	C. L. Foucht.	W. S. Bare.	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.
339	Saline.	Goreville.	Robert Jenkins.	Henry Terry.	Saturday on or before full moon.
96	Sam'l H. Davis.	Mt. Morris.	J. G. Miller.	O. E. Marshall.	First and third Mondays of each month.
801	Sangamon.	Fish-her.	J. G. Lamb.	L. O. Sale.	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
645	San Jose.	San Jose.	G. B. Wi-mer.	J. G. D'ers.	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
734	Saunemin.	Saunemin.	A. Cording.	Wm. A. Cording.	First Friday of each month.
35	Schiller.	Peoria.	C. H. Kamman.	Bruno Juerjens.	First Monday of each month.
79	Scott.	Carlyle.	Elmer Sadler.	T. E. Alsop.	Saturday of each month.
743	Scottland.	Scottland.	J. F. Jennings.	J. L. Dawson.	First and third Saturdays of each month.
436	Scottville.	Scottville.	J. R. Hardink.	J. B. Ogg.	Saturday on or before full moon.
447	S. D. Monroe.	Birds.	A. K. Lindsey.	J. W. Montgomery.	Friday on or before full moon of each month.
592	Seneca.	Seneca.	R. H. Wiley.	C. J. Everhart.	First and third Fridays of each month.
918	Sesser.	Sesser.	G. W. Harris.	C. B. Lewis.	Friday on or after full moon.
827	Sequoit.	Antioch.	N. E. Proctor.	Frank Huber.	Tuesday on or before full moon.
374	Shabbona.	Shabbona.	Wm. Husk.	R. C. Flewilen.	First and third Mondays of each month.
490	Shannon.	Shannon.	J. H. Prutzman.	H. W. Miller.	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
550	Sharon.	Tiskilwa.	A. B. Blake.	W. T. Butler.	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
20	Sheba.	Grayville.	W. L. Whitley.	C. R. Condit.	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
241	Shekinah.	Carbondale.	J. H. Boos.	H. C. Metz.	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
619	Sheldon.	Sheldon.	C. H. Christenson.	W. A. Ward.	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
735	Sheridan.	Sheridan.	Chas. D. Hill.	E. J. Clark.	Wednesday on or before full moon.
535	Sherman.	Prion.	E. H. Rame.	D. McKellop.	Thursday on or before full moon.
387	Shiloh.	Troy Grove.	W. O. Wilkins.	A. Krau se.	Saturday on or before full moon.
686	Shion Hill.	Campbell Hill.	Harry Martin.	C. W. Dudenbosle.	Saturday on or before full moon.
212	Shipman.	Shipman.	C. H. Davies.	C. Williams.	Saturday of each month.
352	Shirley.	Shirley.	J. J. Barr.	F. J. Williams.	Second and fourth Mondays of each month.
761	Sibley.	Sibley.	Otto Knrichs.	P. Johnson.	Third and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
398	Sibley.	Sibley.	A. Seybold.	Jos. Smith.	Thursday on or before full moon.
316	Sidney.	Sidney.	A. Boese.	H. Raymond.	Friday on or before full moon.
746	Silvan.	Chicago.	W. H. Case.	A. C. Hanson.	First and third Fridays of each month.
808	Silvan.	Chicago.	W. G. Baker.	O. C. Hanson.	First and third Fridays of each month.
805	S. M. Drakel.	Spring Valley.	J. W. Collings.	J. W. McEntire.	Second and fourth Mondays of each month.
846	Somonaok.	Somonaok.	H. F. Hells.	C. J. Seaton.	First and third Mondays of each month.
841	Sorentauk.	Sorentauk.	J. E. Long.	W. S. Harmon.	Monday on or before full moon.
467	South Macon.	Macon.	J. N. Walker.	H. R. Woodcock.	Tuesday on or before full moon.
662	South Park.	Chicago.	J. C. Rehner.	C. R. Jardine.	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
441	Spartland.	Springfield.	L. N. Osborne.	T. VanAntwerp.	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
4	Springfield.	Springfield.	C. C. Willinson.	J. R. Raynolds.	First Monday of each month.
873	Springfield.	Chicago.	J. W. Johnson.	C. A. Lu e.	First third and fifth Thursdays of each month.
863	St. Andrews.	Chicago.	Albert Davls.	Jas. Dawkes.	Second and fourth Fridays of each month.

708	Star.	J. H. Decker	S. A. D. Harty	Second and fourth Fridays of each month.
166	Star in the East.	W. E. Javcox	W. S. Harper	First and third Fridays of each month.
501	Stark.	Thomas W. Rose	A. H. White	Saturday on or before full moon.
177	Stanton.	Cornelius Godfrey	A. W. Douglas	*Tuesday on or before full moon.
865	St. Cecilia.	H. E. Milnor	C. H. Crowell	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
21	St. Clair.	L. E. Wangelin.	W. A. H. Ugh	First Monday of each month.
793	St. Elmo.	T. F. Herkert.	J. R. Morrison	First Tuesday of each month.
915	Stellar.	W. H. Willhite.	John Gillespie	First and third Fridays.
541	Stewardson	A. C. Maniz	R. M. Stamm	Wednesday on or before full moon.
92	Stewart	B. Lacher	D. M. Stamm	Second Friday of each month.
133	St. Johns.	H. N. Hackman	W. D. Dobson	First and third Thursdays of each month.
63	St. Marks.	W. T. Wheeler	L. W. Richards	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
486	Stone Fort.	J. A. Deaton	A. W. taker.	Saturday on or before full moon.
500	St. Paul.	J. T. French.	H. G. Bengal	Fourth Monday of each month.
408	Stratton	A. O. Raines	C. A. Hornberger	First day on or before full moon.
607	Strator	H. L. Manly	J. A. Smith	First, third, and fifth Wednesdays of each month.
847	Stronghurst.	E. E. Taylor	A. M. Austin	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
346	Sublette	B. H. S. Angear	A. W. Corer	Tuesday on or before full moon.
764	Sullivan	W. H. Poos	C. T. Lang	Wednesday on or before full moon.
342	Summerfield	G. H. Poos	C. C. Nye	Wednesday on or before full moon.
431	Summit	Frank Howsman	E. M. Baird	Saturday on or before full moon.
428	Sumner	F. S. Westall	D. C. Pond	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
134	Sunbeam	C. A. Darnell	C. C. Pond	Third Friday of each month.
794	Sycamore.	A. E. Hammerschmidt	L. A. Karber	Wednesday on or before full moon.
207	Tadmor	J. H. Snapp	W. J. App-1	Friday on or before full moon.
351	Tarbolton	L. E. Johnston	L. S. Henderson	First and third Thursdays of each month.
98	Taylor	John Zimmerman	L. J. Kern	Third Friday of each month.
16	Temperance	W. H. Crow	N. C. Gochenour	Last Wednesday of each month.
46	Temple Hill	H. E. Morey	C. F. Weber	Third Monday of each month.
701	Temple Hill	A. L. Gregory	C. F. Green	Last Wednesday of each month.
409	Thos. J. Turner	W. M. Tinsley	H. C. P. Thompson	Saturday on or after full moon.
559	Thomson	Ivan Lewis	R. I. Houghton	First and third Thursdays of each month.
569	Time	W. S. Klein	G. W. Bell	*First and third Tuesdays of each month.
317	T. J. Pickett.	A. H. Mitchell	G. L. Smith	Saturday before full moon.
834	Toledo.	L. B. Ross	G. C. Willawn	First Friday of each month.
391	Tolono	Byron Burns	W. M. Baldwin	First and third Mondays of each month.
364	Tonica	Robert Fell	M. T. Ward	Second and fourth Fridays of each month.
98	Toulon	R. C. Vanneman	M. T. Ward	Fourth Thursday in each month.
545	Towanda	G. H. Houchen	H. S. M. Clain	*Friday on or before full moon.
463	Tower Hill	H. F. Shaner	E. S. M. Clain	Tuesday on or before full moon.
810	Tracy	Daniel Jonason.	H. R. S. Smith	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
463	Tremont	C. W. Eisenmayer	J. B. Condit	Tuesday on or before full moon.
109	Trenton	E. T. Webster	J. B. Condit	First and third Fridays of each month.
767	Triluminar.	E. P. Easterday	M. T. Steavens	Friday of each week.
565	Trinity	Wm. B. Pettit	E. W. Porter	First and third Thursdays of each month.
57	Trio	H. L. Snell	E. W. Porter	First Thursday of each month.
835	Triple.			First and third Saturdays of each month.

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NO.	NAME OF LODGE.	POST-OFFICE.	NAME OF SECRETARY.	NAME OF MASTER.	TIME OF STATED MEETING.
588	Troy	Troy	August Droll.	H. A. Canedy	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.
630	Tuscan	Walpole	L. Smith	J. W. McGhee	Thursday on or before full moon.
333	Tuscola	Tuscola	W. H. Allison	A. C. Hawkins	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
332	Tyran	Springfield	S. H. Claspill.	Fritz Reiger	Third Monday of each month.
627	Union	Lack Creek	A. P. Gallego	A. H. Brooks	Saturday on or before full moon.
610	Union Park	Chicago	H. W. Peterson.	L. E. Rissling	Monday of each week.
48	Unity	St. Charles	F. G. Miller	H. L. Durant	First and third Mondays of each month.
157	Urbana	Urbana	C. F. Loeb	Benj. Bing	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
858	Utica	Chicago	N. J. Carey	J. F. Blakeslee.	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.
894	Utopia	Chicago	S. B. Gourley	Benj. Busch	First, third and fifth Fridays of each month.
547	Valley	Coal Valley	T. R. Lees	S. G. Hutchinson	Friday on or before full moon.
762	VanMeter	Cantrall	J. C. Harris	Joe Johnson	Saturday on or before full moon.
927	Vertias	Chicago	W. O. Holton	W. J. Downey	Tuesday of each week.
265	Vermilion	Indianola	J. M. Baldwin.	A. Dixon	First and third Saturdays of each month.
116	Vermont	Vermont	Ross Mercer	P. E. Bayless	Saturday on or after full moon.
757	Verona	Verona	W. A. Small	M. A. Stitt	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month.
108	Versailles	Versailles	E. S. Klinefelter.	E. E. Perry	Saturday on or before full moon.
584	Vesper	Galesburg	A. G. Stromgren	W. T. Bowles	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
150	Vienna	Vienna	R. A. Hundley, Jr.	G. S. Kuykendall	Friday on or before full moon.
885	Villa Grove	Villa Grove	T. D. Hanson	G. L. Kennedy	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
577	Viola	Viola	W. T. Bailey	G. Harrison	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
161	Virden	Virden	C. M. Brennen	E. R. Riedle	Wednesday on or before full moon.
544	Virginia	Virginia	E. Needham	R. H. Mann	First and third Fridays of each month.
81	Vitruvius	Wheeling	J. Schwingel	A. Melzer	Saturday on or before full moon.
179	Wabash	Etna	Thos. Ferguson	E. Chamberlain	Friday on or before full moon.
512	Waide-Barney	Bloomington	N. B. Carson	M. W. Washburn	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
616	Wadley	Franklin	C. E. Darling	Burley Jones	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
674	Wadlock	Chicago	August Soeldner	G. Baumgartner	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
722	Walnut	Walnut	F. M. White	Oliver Baechler	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
475	Washville	Washville	W. E. Cannon	J. M. Travell	Thursday on or before full moon.
384	Waltham	Waltham	W. N. Mitchell	E. N. Cook	Monday on or before full moon.
14	Warren	Shawneetown	J. W. Millsbaugh	J. L. Porter	Tuesday on or before full moon.
257	Warsaw	Warsaw	E. M. Allen	J. C. Crawford	Tuesday on or before full moon.
421	Washington	Washington	C. H. Wineteer	F. C. Barnes	Second and fourth Fridays of each month.
55	Washington	Nashville	M. D. Smith	B. B. Holston	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
291	Wataga	Wataga	F. A. Applegren	Eli Nelson	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
728	Waterman	Waterman	C. W. Bradbury.	W. T. Willberger	First and third Thursdays of each month.
446	Wauseka	Wauseka	J. B. Brennan	J. O. Bailly	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
602	Watson	Watson	J. W. Cloar	L. P. Man 'z	Saturday on or before full moon.
169	Waubansia	Chicago	H. E. Van Loon.	E. M. Joseph	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
298	Wauconda	Wauconda	E. C. Kent	E. H. Dahms	First and third Thursdays of each month.
78	Waukegan	Waukegan	J. L. Brewster	W. S. Watrons	First and third Mondays of each month.

116	Waverly	W. A. Jones	N. B. Rohrer	First and third Fridays of each month
172	Wayne	Fred Dix	I. J. Atchison	Saturday on or before full moon
916	Welcome	F. W. Frost	J. B. Child	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month
746	Weldon	F. J. Schwelm	H. T. Swigart	Thursday on or before full moon
344	Wenona	F. M. Moulton	C. Hurwald	First and third Tuesdays of each month
856	Western Star	O. F. Miller	F. M. Bronn	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
866	West Gate	J. R. Vaughan	C. L. Wood	First and third Tuesdays of each month
269	West Salem	S. F. Walser	H. J. Rothrock	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
883	Wheeler	R. O. Ott	S. E. Johnson	First and third Wednesdays of each month
80	White Hall	E. S. Dickson	J. D. McKnight	Monday on or before full moon
802	Williamson	Lockett Love	A. Ellis	Thursday on or before full moon
278	Wilmington	A. S. Hadsa I.	W. B. Miller	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
105	Winchester	C. A. Sibert	J. C. Whitmar	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month
322	Windsor	G. E. Dunscomb	R. M. Riggs	Monday on or before full moon
836	Windsor Park	D. G. Stobo	H. S. Lilly	Tuesday on or before full moon
745	Winnabago	C. M. Cary	H. J. Watersstreet	Every Monday
564	Winslow	G. H. Lloyd	H. J. Watersstreet	First and third Thursdays of each month
204	Wm. B. Warr n.	Henry Lesch	W. G. Tyler	Monday on or before full moon
306	W. C. Hobbs	E. W. Dickinson	J. L. Krugwall	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month
876	W. m. McKinley	W. F. Bazner	R. P. Johnson	Tuesday on or before full moon
362	Woodhull	A. A. Mackey	W. O. Quayle	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month
511	Woodlawn Park	P. H. Bishop	H. B. Jackson	Friday on or before full moon
273	Wright's Grove	W. O. Dicus	H. E. Richards	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
231	Wyandot	R. A. Sapp	H. A. Gramar	First and third Thursdays of each month
473	Wyoming	A. W. King	G. E. Scott	Thursday on or before full moon
468	Xenia	T. S. McConnel	A. S. Jessop	Thursday on or before full moon
448	Yates City	T. J. Kightlinget.	O. B. West	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
318	York	O. T. Stawler	T. W. Richards	Tuesday on or before full moon
658	Yorktown	J. H. Cain	P. A. McMullen	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month

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GIVING NAME AND NUMBER OF LODGE LOCATED AT EACH.

POST-OFFICE.	NAME.	NO.	CHARTERED.	POST-OFFICE.	NAME.	NO.	CHARTERED.
Abingdon.....	Abingdon.....	185	Oct. 3, 1855.	Austin.....	Austin.....	850	Oct. 6, 1897.
Albany.....	Albany.....	566	Oct. 1, 1867.	Avon.....	Dean.....	823	Oct. 7, 1894.
Allon.....	Hermitage.....	356	Oct. 3, 1860.	Avon Harmony.....	Avon Harmony.....	253	Oct. 7, 1897.
Alexis.....	Alexandria.....	252	Oct. 7, 1857.	Bardolph.....	Bardolph.....	572	Oct. 1, 1867.
Allendale.....	Alexander.....	702	Oct. 8, 1872.	Barrington.....	Louisa.....	751	Oct. 4, 1877.
Alta.....	Allendale.....	732	Oct. 4, 1876.	Barry.....	Louisiana.....	31	Oct. 8, 1845.
Altamont.....	Alta.....	738	Oct. 3, 1876.	Bascy.....	Basco.....	618	Oct. 5, 1869.
Altamont.....	Altamont.....	533	Oct. 1, 1867.	Batavia.....	Batavia.....	404	Oct. 5, 1864.
Alton.....	Piasa.....	27	Oct. 9, 1844.	Beecher City.....	Cass.....	923	Oct. 4, 1813.
Altona.....	Altona.....	330	Oct. 3, 1840.	Beecher City.....	Beecher City.....	665	Oct. 3, 1871.
Alto Pass.....	Alto Pass.....	840	Oct. 2, 1895.	Bellflower.....	Bellflower.....	911	Oct. 13, 1909.
Amboy.....	Illinois Central.....	178	Oct. 3, 1855.	Belknap.....	Belknap.....	822	Oct. 5, 1892.
Andalusia.....	Andalusia.....	516	Oct. 1, 1867.	Belle Rive.....	Belle Rive.....	696	Oct. 1, 1872.
Anna.....	Anna.....	520	Oct. 1, 1867.	Belleville.....	St. Clair.....	24	1862, 14, 1843.
Antioch.....	Sequoy.....	827	Oct. 4, 1893.	Belvidere.....	Belvidere.....	60	Oct. 4, 1848.
Apple River.....	Apple River.....	859	Oct. 1, 1901.	Benton.....	Benton.....	305	Oct. 1, 1861.
Arcola.....	Arcola.....	366	Oct. 1, 1861.	Benton.....	Benton.....	64	Oct. 5, 1848.
Argentina.....	Argentina.....	871	Oct. 7, 1903.	Birds.....	S. D. Monroe.....	47	Oct. 4, 1865.
Arlington.....	Levi Lusk.....	270	Oct. 6, 1858.	Berwyn.....	Berwyn.....	839	Oct. 2, 1865.
Arrowsmith.....	Arrowsmith.....	737	Oct. 3, 1876.	Bethalto.....	Bethalto.....	406	Oct. 5, 1864.
Arthur.....	Arthur.....	825	Oct. 4, 1893.	Bethany.....	Bethany.....	884	Oct. 3, 1906.
Ashley.....	Clay.....	153	Oct. 3, 1854.	Bloomingsville.....	Bloomingsville.....	223	Oct. 7, 1857.
Ashmore.....	Ashmore.....	390	Oct. 5, 1863.	Bloomington.....	Bloomington.....	43	Oct. 6, 1847.
Ashton.....	Ashton.....	531	Oct. 1, 1867.	Bloomington.....	Wade-Barney.....	512	Oct. 3, 1866.
Assumption.....	Bromwell.....	451	Oct. 4, 1865.	Bloomington.....	Mozart.....	636	Oct. 4, 1870.
Astoria.....	Astoria.....	100	Oct. 6, 1851.	Blue Island.....	Calumet.....	716	Oct. 7, 1874.
Ath-ns.....	Van Meter.....	76	Oct. 4, 1882.	Blue Mound.....	Blue Mound.....	682	Oct. 3, 1871.
Atkinson.....	Annawan.....	433	Oct. 4, 1865.	Bluffs.....	Bluffs.....	846	Oct. 6, 1896.
Atlanta.....	Atlanta.....	165	Oct. 3, 1854.	Bowen.....	Bowen.....	486	Oct. 3, 1866.
Atwood.....	Atwood.....	651	Oct. 4, 1870.	Bradford.....	Bradford.....	514	Oct. 1, 1867.
Auburn.....	Ark & Anchor.....	351	Oct. 3, 1860.	Braidwood.....	Braidwood.....	704	Oct. 8, 1873.
Augusta.....	J. L. Anderson.....	318	Oct. 5, 1859.	Brighton.....	Brighton.....	386	Oct. 8, 1863.
Aurora.....	Jerusalem Temp.....	90	Oct. 8, 1850.	Bridgport.....	Hibbard.....	239	Oct. 7, 1857.
Aurora.....	Aurora.....	251	Oct. 7, 1857.	Broadlands.....	Broadlands.....	791	Oct. 3, 1889.

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POSTOFFICE.	NAME.	NO.	CHARTERED.	POSTOFFICE.	NAME.	NO.	CHARTERED.
Brookport.....	Farmers.....	332	Oct. 7, 1857.....	Chicago.....	Accordia.....	277	Oct. 6, 1858.....
Buckley.....	Buckley.....	634	Oct. 5, 1869.....	Chicago.....	America.....	889	Oct. 3, 1906.....
Buda.....	Buda.....	399	Oct. 5, 1864.....	Chicago.....	Ancient Craft.....	97	Oct. 7, 19 8.....
Buff to Prairie.....	Buff to Prairie.....	670	Oct. 3, 1871.....	Chicago.....	Apollo.....	642	Oct. 4, 1870.....
Bunkerhill.....	Bunker Hill.....	153	Oct. 3, 1854.....	Chicago.....	Arcana.....	717	Oct. 5, 1859.....
Burnside.....	Burnside.....	683	Oct. 3, 1872.....	Chicago.....	Ashtar.....	308	Oct. 7, 1873.....
Burnt Prairie.....	Burnt Prairie.....	688	Oct. 3, 1871.....	Chicago.....	Auburn Park.....	789	Oct. 3, 1889.....
Bushnell.....	B. J. Pickett.....	307	Oct. 5, 1859.....	(Auburn Park)	Avondale.....	921	Oct. 12, 1910.....
	Byron.....	274	Oct. 6, 1858.....	Chicago.....	Banner Blue.....	924	Oct. 12, 1910.....
	Norton.....	631	Oct. 5, 1899.....	Chicago.....	Be Hive.....	949	Oct. 7, 1908.....
	Caro.....	237	Oct. 7, 1857.....	Chicago.....	Ben Hur.....	818	Oct. 5, 1892.....
	Camargo.....	440	Oct. 4, 1865.....	Chicago.....	Blair.....	333	Oct. 8, 1863.....
	Cambridge.....	49	Oct. 5, 1847.....	Chicago.....	Blancy.....	271	Oct. 6, 1858.....
	Camden.....	648	Oct. 4, 1870.....	Chicago.....	Brighton Park.....	854	Oct. 5, 1898.....
	Benjamin.....	297	Oct. 5, 1859.....	(Bright'n Park)	Boulevard.....	882	Oct. 4, 1905.....
	Shiloh Hill.....	697	Oct. 1, 1872.....	Chicago.....	Candia.....	927	O. t. 12, 1910.....
	Cancon.....	734	Oct. 5, 1875.....	Chicago.....	Carnation.....	940	Oct. 2, 947.....
	Morning Star.....	573	Oct. 6, 1898.....	Chicago.....	Chicago.....	437	Oct. 4, 1865.....
	Capron.....	241	Oct. 7, 1857.....	Chicago.....	Cleveland.....	211	Oct. 7, 1856.....
	St. George.....	241	Oct. 7, 1857.....	Chicago.....	Columbian.....	819	Oct. 5, 1892.....
	Carlinville.....	76	Dec. 4, 1849.....	Chicago.....	Compass.....	922	Oct. 12, 1910.....
	Carlyle.....	79	Dec. 10, 1849.....	(Lawndale)	Composite.....	879	Oct. 3, 1905.....
	Carman.....	732	Oct. 5, 1873.....	Chicago.....	Concord.....	917	Oct. 13, 1909.....
	Carman.....	272	Oct. 6, 1858.....	Chicago.....	Constellation.....	783	Oct. 6, 1887.....
	Carrollton.....	50	Oct. 5, 1847.....	Chicago.....	Cornerstone.....	892	Oct. 3, 1906.....
	Williamson.....	802	Oct. 6, 1891.....	Chicago.....	Covenant.....	875	Oct. 4, 1904.....
	Carthage.....	20	Oct. 3, 1843.....	Chicago.....	D. C. Cregler.....	526	Oct. 1, 1867.....
	Casey.....	442	Oct. 4, 1865.....	Chicago.....	Damas us.....	884	Oct. 3, 1906.....
	Casey.....	285	Oct. 7, 1858.....	Chicago.....	Dearborn.....	643	Oct. 4, 1870.....
	Cave-in-Rock.....	444	Oct. 4, 1865.....	Chicago.....	East Gate.....	923	Oct. 12, 1910.....
	Centralia.....	201	Oct. 7, 1856.....	Chicago.....	Edgewater.....	901	Oct. 2, 1917.....
	Cerrito.....	600	Oct. 6, 1868.....	Chicago.....	Englewood.....	690	Oct. 1, 1872.....
	Cerrito.....	867	Oct. 8, 1902.....	(Englewood)	Equity.....	878	Oct. 3, 1905.....
	Chadwick.....	373	Oct. 8, 1862.....	Chicago.....	Fides.....	842	Oct. 2, 1895.....
	Chadwick.....	240	Oct. 7, 1857.....	Chicago.....	Garden City.....	141	Oct. 2, 1854.....
	Chambersburg.....	262	Oct. 6, 1858.....	Chicago.....	Garfield.....	686	Oct. 1, 1872.....
	Chambersburg.....	724	Oct. 7, 1874.....	Chicago.....	Gil. W. Barnard.....	908	Oct. 7, 1908.....
	Chandlerville.....	262	Oct. 6, 1858.....	Chicago.....	Germania.....	182	Oct. 3, 1855.....
	Channahon.....	35	Oct. 8, 1845.....	Chicago.....			
	Charleston.....	523	Oct. 1, 1867.....				
	Chatham.....	539	Oct. 1, 1867.....				
	Chatsworth.....	429	Oct. 4, 1865.....				
	Chatsworth.....	292	Oct. 5, 1854.....				
	Chenae.....	173	Oct. 3, 1855.....				
	Cherry Valley.....	72	Oct. 4, 1849.....				
	Chester.....	445	Oct. 4, 1865.....				
	Chesterfield.....	913	Oct. 13, 1909.....				
	Chicago.....						

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Chicago.....	Golden Rule.....	726	Oct. 7, 1874.....	Chicago.....	Chicago.....	711	Oct. 8, 1873.....
Chicago (Grand Crossing).....	Grand Crossing.....	776	Oct. 7, 1886.....	Chicago (Jefferson).....	Providence.....	887	Oct. 3, 1906.....
Chicago (So. Chicago).....	Harbor.....	731	Oct. 5, 1875.....	Chicago (Ravenswood).....	Ravenswood.....	777	Oct. 7, 1886.....
Chicago.....	Hesperia.....	669	Oct. 3, 1871.....	Chicago.....	Republic.....	914	Oct. 13, 1909.....
Chicago.....	Hesperia.....	411	Oct. 5, 1864.....	Chicago.....	Richard Cole.....	697	Oct. 1, 1872.....
Chicago.....	Hillside.....	508	Oct. 3, 1868.....	Chicago.....	Siloam.....	780	Oct. 6, 1887.....
Chicago.....	Humboldt Park.....	813	Oct. 5, 1892.....	Chicago.....	South Park.....	662	Oct. 3, 1871.....
Chicago.....	Jackson Park.....	915	Oct. 13, 1909.....	Chicago.....	Standard.....	873	Oct. 4, 1901.....
Chicago.....	John B. Sherman.....	880	Oct. 4, 1905.....	Chicago.....	St. Andrews.....	863	Oct. 8, 1902.....
Chicago.....	Kensington.....	804	Oct. 6, 1891.....	Chicago.....	St. Cecilia.....	865	Oct. 8, 1902.....
Chicago.....	Kensington.....	800	Oct. 6, 1891.....	Chicago (Tracy).....	Thos. J. Turner.....	469	Oct. 5, 1864.....
Chicago.....	Lagystone.....	939	Oct. 5, 1869.....	Chicago.....	Tracy.....	810	Oct. 6, 1891.....
Chicago.....	Lakewood.....	311	Oct. 5, 1889.....	Chicago (Tracy).....	Triluminar.....	767	Oct. 8, 1884.....
Chicago.....	King Oscar.....	838	Oct. 2, 1907.....	Chicago (So. Chicago).....	Union Park.....	610	Oct. 5, 1869.....
Chicago.....	Kosmos.....	806	Oct. 2, 1907.....	Chicago.....	Utopia.....	894	Oct. 2, 1907.....
Chicago.....	Lake Side.....	739	Oct. 3, 1876.....	Chicago.....	Veritas.....	926	Oct. 12, 1910.....
Chicago.....	Lake View.....	754	Oct. 3, 1884.....	Chicago.....	Waldeck.....	674	Oct. 3, 1871.....
Chicago.....	Landmark.....	422	Oct. 5, 1864.....	Chicago.....	Waubansia.....	160	Oct. 3, 1885.....
Chicago.....	Lawn.....	815	Oct. 5, 1862.....	Chicago.....	Welcome.....	916	Oct. 13, 1909.....
Chicago.....	Lessing.....	537	Oct. 1, 1867.....	Chicago.....	Wm. McKinley.....	876	Oct. 4, 1901.....
Chicago.....	Linscol Park.....	611	Oct. 5, 1867.....	Chicago.....	Windsor Park.....	836	Oct. 3, 1894.....
Chicago.....	Loyan Square.....	891	Oct. 3, 1906.....	Chicago.....	Wm. B. Warren.....	269	Oct. 7, 1856.....
Chicago.....	Metropolitan.....	860	Oct. 1, 1901.....	Chicago.....	Woodlawn Park.....	841	Oct. 2, 1895.....
Chicago.....	Mithra.....	410	Oct. 5, 1864.....	Chicago (Woodlawn Pk).....	Woodlawn Park.....	770	Oct. 7, 1886.....
Chicago.....	Mizpah.....	768	Oct. 8, 1884.....	Chicago (Wright's Gro.).....	Wright's Grove.....	551	Oct. 6, 1897.....
Chicago.....	Myrtle.....	795	Oct. 8, 1890.....	Chicago Heights.....	Chicago Heights.....	222	Oct. 7, 1886.....
Chicago.....	Mystic Star.....	758	Oct. 3, 1878.....	Chicago.....	Cheo. Washington.....	188	Oct. 2, 1854.....
Chicago.....	Normal Park.....	797	Oct. 8, 1890.....	Chicago.....	Bloomfield.....	148	Oct. 3, 1896.....
Chicago (Englewood).....	Beacon Light.....	784	Oct. 6, 1887.....	Chicago.....	Clay City.....	188	Oct. 3, 1896.....
Chicago (Norwood Park).....	Ogden Park.....	897	Oct. 2, 1907.....	Chicago.....	Clayton.....	688	Oct. 1, 1884.....
Chicago.....	Olympia.....	864	Oct. 8, 1903.....	Chicago.....	DeWitt.....	81	Oct. 1, 1872.....
Chicago.....	Oriental.....	33	Oct. 9, 1845.....	Chicago.....	Valley.....	57	Oct. 8, 1887.....
Chicago.....	Palace.....	765	Oct. 3, 1883.....	Chicago.....	Valley.....	466	Oct. 3, 1895.....
Chicago.....	Park.....	843	Oct. 6, 1896.....	Chicago.....	Walton.....	906	Oct. 7, 1908.....
Chicago (Rodgers Park).....	Park Manor.....	899	Oct. 2, 1907.....	Chicago.....	Walton.....	466	Oct. 7, 1908.....
Chicago.....	Peleades.....	478	Oct. 3, 1866.....	Chicago.....	Walton.....	620	Oct. 5, 1869.....
				Chicago.....	Walton.....	496	Oct. 3, 1866.....
				Chicago.....	Walton.....	739	May 14, 1891.....
				Chicago.....	Walton.....	712	Oct. 8, 1873.....
				Chicago.....	Walton.....	714	Oct. 7, 1874.....
				Chicago.....	Walton.....	680	Oct. 3, 1871.....

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POSTOFFICE.	NAME	NO.	CHARTERED.	POSTOFFICE.	NAME.	NO.	CHARTERED.
Freeburg.....	Freeburg.....	418	Oct. 5, 1864.....	Hampshire.....	Hampshire.....	443	Oct. 4, 1865.....
Freedom.....	Freedom.....	194	Oct. 6, 1856.....	Hanover.....	Hanover.....	905	Oct. 7, 1908.....
Freeport.....	Excelsior.....	97	Oct. 6, 1851.....	Hardinsville.....	Hardinsville.....	756	Oct. 3, 1878.....
Fulton.....	Evergreen.....	170	Oct. 3, 1855.....	Hardin.....	Calhoun.....	792	Oct. 3, 1859.....
Galesna.....	Fulton City.....	180	Oct. 6, 1856.....	Harrisburg.....	Harrisburg.....	325	Oct. 5, 1859.....
Galesburg.....	Miners.....	273	Oct. 6, 1858.....	Harristown.....	Summit.....	431	Oct. 4, 1865.....
Salesburg.....	Alpha.....	155	Oct. 2, 1854.....	Harvard.....	Harvard.....	300	Oct. 5, 1859.....
Gallatia.....	Vesper.....	584	Oct. 6, 1868.....	Harvey.....	Harvey.....	892	Oct. 3, 1874.....
Galva.....	Gallatia.....	684	Oct. 1, 1872.....	Hull.....	Hull.....	910	Oct. 7, 1908.....
Ganntown.....	New Columbia.....	243	Oct. 7, 1857.....	Havana.....	Havana.....	88	Oct. 8, 1850.....
Gays.....	Miles Hart.....	336	Oct. 3, 1860.....	Hazel Dell.....	Hazel Dell.....	580	Oct. 6, 1868.....
Gardner.....	Gardner.....	565	Oct. 6, 1868.....	Hebron.....	Hebron.....	604	Oct. 6, 1868.....
Geneva.....	Stewart.....	573	Oct. 8, 1850.....	Henry.....	Henry.....	119	Oct. 4, 1852.....
Georgetown.....	Geneva.....	139	Oct. 2, 1854.....	Herrin.....	Herrin's Prairie.....	693	Oct. 1, 1872.....
Gibson City.....	Russell.....	288	Oct. 7, 1858.....	Heyworth.....	Heyworth.....	251	Oct. 7, 1857.....
Gillespie.....	Gibson.....	154	Oct. 2, 1854.....	Highland.....	Highland.....	583	Oct. 6, 1868.....
Gilman.....	Gillespie.....	733	Oct. 5, 1875.....	Hillsboro.....	Highland Park.....	576	Oct. 3, 1871.....
Girard.....	Gilman.....	214	Oct. 7, 1836.....	Hinckley.....	Mt. Moriah.....	51	Oct. 4, 1848.....
Glasford.....	Girard.....	591	Oct. 6, 1868.....	Hindsboro.....	Hinckley.....	301	Oct. 5, 1850.....
Golden Gate.....	Lancaster.....	106	Oct. 3, 1865.....	Holcomb.....	Hindsboro.....	837	Oct. 4, 1894.....
Good Hope.....	Golconda.....	131	Oct. 4, 1853.....	Homer.....	Meridian Sun.....	505	Oct. 3, 1866.....
Grand Chain.....	Golden Gate.....	267	Oct. 6, 1858.....	Hoopdale.....	Homer.....	199	Oct. 7, 1856.....
Grand Tower.....	Molenna.....	925	Oct. 12, 1910.....	Hopedale.....	Star.....	709	Oct. 8, 1873.....
Grays Lake.....	Saline.....	617	Oct. 5, 1869.....	Hopedale.....	Hopedale.....	886	Oct. 3, 1906.....
Grayville.....	Full Moon.....	339	Oct. 3, 1860.....	Hume.....	Edgar.....	829	Oct. 4, 1893.....
Greenfield.....	Grand Chain.....	341	Oct. 3, 1860.....	Huntsville.....	Huntsville.....	465	Oct. 3, 1866.....
Greenup.....	Grand Tower.....	660	Oct. 4, 1870.....	Hutsenville.....	Hutsenville.....	136	Oct. 5, 1853.....
Greenville.....	Lafayette.....	637	Oct. 4, 1870.....	Ilthopolis.....	Ilthopolis.....	521	Oct. 1, 1867.....
Griggsville.....	Granite City.....	877	Oct. 4, 1904.....	Indiana.....	Indiana.....	265	Oct. 6, 1858.....
Grove City.....	Rising Sun.....	115	Oct. 4, 1852.....	Industry.....	Industry.....	327	Oct. 5, 1859.....
Grantsburg.....	Sheba.....	200	Oct. 7, 1856.....	Iola.....	Iola.....	691	Oct. 1, 1872.....
Graysville.....	Greenfield.....	129	Oct. 3, 1853.....	Ipava.....	Ipava.....	213	Oct. 7, 1856.....
Hamilton.....	Greenup.....	125	Oct. 3, 1853.....	Iroquois.....	O. H. Miner.....	506	Oct. 3, 1866.....
Hamplettsburg.....	Greenville.....	653	Oct. 4, 1870.....	Irving.....	Irving.....	455	Oct. 4, 1865.....
	Greenville.....	245	Oct. 7, 1857.....	Inka.....	J. D. Moody.....	510	Oct. 3, 1866.....
	Griggsville.....	43	Oct. 5, 1847.....	Jacksonville.....	Harmony.....	3	.....
	Grove City.....	585	Oct. 6, 1868.....	Jacksonville.....	Jacksonville.....	570	Oct. 1, 1867.....
	Graysville.....	778	Oct. 7, 1886.....	Jeffersonville.....	Jeffersonville.....	460	Oct. 3, 1866.....
	Hamlettsburg.....	887	.....	Jerseyville.....	Jerseyville.....	391	Oct. 5, 1864.....
	Hamlettsburg.....	856	Oct. 4, 1899.....	Johnstonville.....	Johnstonville.....	713	Oct. 7, 1874.....
	Hamlettsburg.....	238	Oct. 7, 1857.....	Johnston City.....	Johnston City.....	729	Oct. 8, 1875.....
	Hamlettsburg.....	771	Oct. 8, 1884.....	Joliet.....	Mt. Joliet.....	42	Oct. 8, 1846.....
	Hamlettsburg.....			Joliet.....	Matteson.....	175	Oct. 3, 1855.....

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POSTOFFICE.	NAME.	NO.	CHARTERED.	POSTOFFICE.	NAME.	NO.	CHARTERED.
Jonesboro	Jonesboro	111	Oct 7, 1851	Loda	Abraham Jonas	316	Oct 5, 1859
Kane	King Solomon's	197	Oct 7, 1856	Londra Mills	London	848	Oct 5, 1887
Kankakee	Kankakee	389	Oct 8, 1863	Long Point	Long Point	532	Oct 1, 1867
Kansas	Kansas	290	Oct 6, 1858	Lorraine	Lorraine	863	Oct 2, 1907
Karher's Ridge	Tadmor	794	Oct 8, 1894	Lastain	Lastain	870	Oct 7, 1903
Kenney	Henderson	820	Oct 5, 1882	Louisville	Louisville	196	Oct 6, 1856
Kewanee	Kewanee	159	Oct 3, 1855	Lovington	Lovington	228	Oct 7, 1857
Keithsburg	Robert Burns	113	Oct 7, 1851	Ludlow	Ludlow	274	Oct 6, 1868
Kinderhook	Kinderhook	333	Oct 3, 1860	Lundon	Lundon	750	Oct 1, 1877
Kingston	Kishwaukee	402	Oct 5, 1864	Manville	Gill	382	Oct 8, 1865
Kimundy	Kimundy	398	Oct 5, 1864	McHenry	McHenry	158	Oct 3, 1854
Kirkland	Royd D	857	Oct 2, 1900	McLean	McLean	469	Oct 3, 1896
Kirkwood	Abraham Lincoln	518	Oct 1, 1867	McLeansboro	Polk	137	Oct 5, 1853
Knoxville	Pacific	66	Mar 25, 1896	Macdonia	Macdonia	807	Oct 6, 1891
Lacon	Lacon	61	Oct 4, 1848	Mackinaw	Mackinaw	132	Oct 3, 1853
LaPayette	Stark	501	Oct 3, 1866	Macon	Waco	17	Oct 2, 1843
LaGrange	LaGrange	770	Oct 3, 1884	Magnolia	South Macon	467	Oct 3, 1896
LaHarpe	La Harpe	195	Oct 6, 1856	Mahomet	Mahomet	603	Oct 6, 1851
LaMolle	La Moille	383	Oct 8, 1863	Makanda	Makanda	230	Oct 7, 1856
Lanark	Lanark	423	Oct 5, 1861	Manchester	Manchester	334	Oct 4, 1865
Lasalle	Acacia	67	Dec 10, 1849	Manchester	Manchester	229	Oct 7, 1857
Latham	Latham	853	Oct 6, 1897	Manitowish	Manitowish	476	Oct 3, 1866
Lawrenceville	Edward Dobbins	164	Oct 3, 1855	Mansfield	Mansfield	773	Oct 8, 1884
Lebanon	Lebanon	110	Oct 6, 1851	Maquon	Maquon	580	Oct 1, 1867
Lee Center	Lee Center	146	Oct 2, 1854	Marcelline	Marcelline	134	Oct 1, 1851
Leland	Leland	558	Oct 1, 1867	Marango	Marango	182	Oct 5, 1853
Lena	Lena	174	Oct 3, 1855	Marion	Marion	365	Oct 2, 1850
Lerna	Lerna	788	Oct 3, 1880	Marion	Marion	880	Oct 8, 1859
Le Roy	Le Roy	221	Oct 7, 1856	Marissa	Marissa	881	Oct 4, 1905
Lexistown	Lexistown	104	Oct 6, 1851	Marosa	Marosa	454	Oct 4, 1865
Lexington	Lexington	482	Oct 3, 1866	Marshall	Marshall	133	Oct 5, 1864
Liberty	Liberty	380	Oct 8, 1863	Marshallville	Marshallville	603	Oct 4, 1868
Libertyville	Libertyville	492	Oct 3, 1866	Martinton	Martinton	845	Oct 6, 1886
Lick Creek	Union	627	Oct 5, 1869	Mascoutah	Douglas	261	Oct 1, 1861
Lima	Lima	135	Oct 4, 1853	Mason	Mason	217	Oct 7, 1896
Lincoln	Logan	210	Oct 7, 1856	Mason City	Mason City	403	Oct 5, 1864
Lisbon	Orient	323	Oct 5, 1859	Mattoon	Mattoon	260	Oct 5, 1858
Litchfield	Charter Oak	236	Oct 7, 1857	Maywood	Maywood	869	Oct 7, 1903
Litchfield	Litchfield	517	Oct 1, 1867	Mazon	Mazon	828	Oct 4, 1868
Littleton	Littleton	766	Oct 3, 1883	Mchamesburg	Mchamesburg	903	Oct 7, 1906
Loami	Loami	450	Oct 4, 1865	Medora	Fidelity	152	Oct 3, 1884
Lockport	Lockport	538	Oct 1, 1867				

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POSTOFFICE	NAME	NO.	CHARTERED.	POSTOFFICE	NAME	NO.	CHARTERED.
Melvin.....	Melvin.....	811	Oct. 6, 1891	New Canton.....	New Canton.....	821	Oct. 5, 1892
Mendon.....	Mendon.....	440	Oct. 4, 1865	New Douglas.....	Madison.....	560	Oct. 1, 1867
Mendota.....	Mendota.....	176	Oct. 3, 1855	New Grand Chain.....	Grand Chain.....	660	Oct. 4, 1870
Metredosia.....	Benevolent.....	52	Oct. 3, 1848	New Hartford.....	New Hartford.....	483	Oct. 4, 1865
Metropolis City.....	Metropolis.....	91	Oct. 8, 1850	New Haven.....	New Haven.....	240	Oct. 8, 1857
Milan.....	Eureka.....	60	Oct. 4, 1849	New Holland.....	New Holland.....	741	Oct. 3, 1876
Milford.....	Milford.....	168	Oct. 3, 1855	New Salem.....	New Salem.....	369	Oct. 3, 1861
Milledgeville.....	Antioch.....	127	Oct. 3, 1853	New Salem.....	New Salem.....	218	Oct. 7, 1856
Milton.....	Milledgeville.....	345	Oct. 3, 1860	New Union.....	New Union.....	519	Oct. 1, 1856
Minier.....	Milton.....	275	Oct. 6, 1858	New Windsor.....	New Windsor.....	302	Oct. 7, 1861
Minook.....	Comel.....	641	Oct. 7, 1857	Noble.....	Noble.....	475	Oct. 2, 1861
Minooka.....	Rob Morris.....	247	Oct. 4, 1870	Nokomis.....	Nokomis.....	456	Oct. 3, 1865
Modesto.....	Minooka.....	538	Oct. 1, 1867	Normal.....	Normal.....	673	Oct. 3, 1871
Moline.....	Nifong.....	874	Oct. 4, 1904	Normal.....	Normal.....	718	Oct. 3, 1871
Momence.....	Doric.....	319	Oct. 5, 1869	Norris City.....	May.....	784	Oct. 6, 1887
Monmouth.....	Momence.....	481	Oct. 3, 1866	Norwood Park.....	Reacon Light.....	169	Oct. 4, 1853
Monticello.....	Monmouth.....	37	Oct. 6, 1846	Oakland.....	Oakland.....	219	Oct. 4, 1836
Montrose.....	Fraternal.....	58	Oct. 4, 1848	Oakwood.....	Free Will.....	872	Oct. 4, 1836
Morris.....	Prairie City.....	578	Oct. 6, 1868	Oak Park.....	Oak Park.....	540	Oct. 4, 1867
Morrisson.....	Cedar.....	124	Oct. 3, 1853	Oblong.....	Oblong City.....	644	Oct. 4, 1870
Morrisonville.....	Dunlap.....	321	Oct. 5, 1859	Oconee.....	Oconee.....	392	Oct. 4, 1863
Mound City.....	Morrisonville.....	681	Oct. 3, 1871	Odel.....	Odel.....	401	Oct. 5, 1864
Mound City.....	Groveland.....	562	Oct. 1, 1860	Oden.....	Oden.....	503	Oct. 3, 1866
Mt Carmel.....	Kedron.....	340	Oct. 2, 1860	O'Fallon.....	O'Fallon.....	576	Oct. 6, 1868
Mt Carmel.....	Mt Carmel.....	289	Oct. 7, 1847	Ogden.....	Ogden.....	754	Oct. 4, 1872
Mt Erie.....	Cyrus.....	188	Oct. 6, 1856	Ohio.....	Ohio.....	814	Oct. 5, 1892
Mt Morris.....	Samuel H. Davis.....	96	Oct. 3, 1861	Olinsted.....	Caledonia.....	47	Oct. 5, 1847
Mt Pulaski.....	Mt Pulaski.....	87	Oct. 8, 1850	Olney.....	Olney.....	140	Oct. 2, 1854
Mount Sterling.....	Hardin.....	44	Oct. 5, 1847	Omaha.....	Omaha.....	723	Oct. 7, 1874
Mt Vernon.....	Mt Vernon.....	31	Oct. 9, 1845	Onarga.....	Onarga.....	305	Oct. 5, 1859
Mowequa.....	Mowequa.....	180	Oct. 3, 1855	Oneida.....	Oneida.....	337	Oct. 3, 1860
Murphysboro.....	Murphysboro.....	498	Oct. 3, 1866	Oquawka.....	Jefferson.....	368	Oct. 1, 1861
Murrayville.....	Murrayville.....	432	Oct. 4, 1865	Orangeville.....	Orangeville.....	123	Oct. 3, 1853
Naperville.....	Euchd.....	65	Oct. 2, 1849	Oregon.....	Oregon.....	420	Oct. 1, 1872
Nashville.....	Washington.....	95	Oct. 4, 1848	Orion.....	Sherman.....	535	Oct. 1, 1867
Nebo.....	Nebo.....	806	Oct. 6, 1801	Oswego.....	Raven.....	363	Oct. 5, 1859
Neoga.....	Neoga.....	279	Oct. 6, 1858	Ottawa.....	Ottawa.....	40	Oct. 7, 1846
Neponset.....	Neponset.....	803	Oct. 6, 1891	Humboldt.....	Humboldt.....	555	Oct. 1, 1867
New Boston.....	New Boston.....	59	Oct. 4, 1848	Owaneco.....	Owaneco.....	623	Oct. 5, 1869
New Burnside.....	New Burnside.....	772	Oct. 8, 1881	Palatine.....	Palatine.....	314	Oct. 5, 1859

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Palmyra.....	Palmyra.....	463	Oct. 3, 1866	Princeton.....	Bureau.....	112	Oct. 7, 1851
Pana.....	Pana.....	226	Oct. 7, 1856	Princeton.....	Princeton.....	587	Oct. 6, 1868
Paris.....	Prairie.....	77	Oct. 4, 1849	Princetonville.....	Princetonville.....	360	Oct. 1, 1861
Paris.....	Paris.....	268	Oct. 6, 1858	Prophetstown.....	Prophetstown.....	263	Oct. 5, 1859
Parkersburg.....	Parkersburg.....	509	Oct. 3, 1866	Quincy.....	Bodley.....	1	Aug. 30, 1836
Patoka.....	Patoka.....	613	Oct. 5, 1859	Quincy.....	Herman.....	30	Oct. 6, 1846
Pawnee.....	Pawnee.....	675	Oct. 3, 1871	Quincy.....	Quincy.....	296	Oct. 5, 1859
Paw Paw.....	Paxton.....	205	Oct. 7, 1856	Quincy.....	Lambert.....	659	Oct. 4, 1870
Paxton.....	Paxton.....	416	Oct. 5, 1864	Raleigh.....	Raleigh.....	128	Oct. 3, 1853
Payson.....	Payson.....	379	Oct. 8, 1863	Ramsay.....	Ramsay.....	405	Oct. 5, 1864
Peal City.....	Pearl.....	823	Oct. 4, 1863	Rankin.....	Rankin.....	725	Oct. 7, 1874
Pecatonia.....	Pekin.....	145	Oct. 2, 1854	Rantoul.....	Rantoul.....	470	Oct. 3, 1866
Pekin.....	Pekin.....	29	May 26, 1845	Raritan.....	Raritan.....	727	Oct. 5, 1875
Pekin.....	Pekin.....	126	Oct. 3, 1853	Raymond.....	Raymond.....	682	Oct. 1, 1872
Peoria.....	Peoria.....	15	Oct. 4, 1842	Red Bud.....	Red Bud.....	427	Oct. 4, 1865
Peoria.....	Peoria.....	46	Oct. 5, 1847	Richmond.....	Richmond.....	143	Oct. 2, 1854
Peoria.....	Peoria.....	263	Oct. 6, 1858	Ridge Farm.....	Ridge Farm.....	632	Oct. 5, 1869
Peoria.....	Peoria.....	335	Oct. 3, 1861	Ridgeway.....	Ridgeway.....	816	Oct. 5, 1892
Peotone.....	Peotone.....	636	Oct. 5, 1859	Rio.....	Rio.....	685	Oct. 1, 1872
Perry.....	Perry.....	95	Oct. 10, 1850	Riverside.....	Riverside.....	862	Oct. 8, 1902
Peru.....	St. Johns.....	13	Oct. 4, 1842	Riverton.....	Riverton Union.....	786	Oct. 3, 1888
Petersburg.....	Clinton.....	19	Oct. 3, 1843	Robinson.....	Robinson.....	250	Oct. 7, 1857
Philo.....	Centennial.....	747	Oct. 3, 1876	Rochelle.....	Horicon.....	244	Oct. 7, 1857
Pilot.....	Newtown.....	714	Oct. 7, 1874	Rochester.....	Rochester.....	635	Oct. 5, 1869
Pinckneyville.....	Mitchell.....	85	Oct. 8, 1850	Rockford.....	Rockford.....	102	Oct. 6, 1851
Pittsfield.....	Pittsfield.....	790	Oct. 3, 1859	Rockford.....	Star in the East.....	166	Oct. 6, 1855
Piper City.....	Piper.....	608	Oct. 6, 1868	Rockford.....	E. F. W. Ellis.....	633	Oct. 5, 1869
Plainfield.....	Plainfield.....	536	Oct. 1, 1867	Rock Island.....	Rock Island.....	57	Oct. 3, 1848
Plainview.....	Plainview.....	461	Oct. 3, 1866	Rockport.....	Rockport.....	658	Oct. 4, 1870
Plainville.....	Adams.....	529	Oct. 1, 1867	Rockport.....	Rockport.....	830	Oct. 4, 1893
Piano.....	Sunbeam.....	428	Oct. 4, 1865	Rockton.....	Rockton.....	774	Oct. 4, 1849
Pleasant Hill.....	Pleasant Hill.....	565	Oct. 1, 1867	Roodhouse.....	E. M. Husted.....	796	Oct. 8, 1890
Pleasant Plains.....	Pleasant Plains.....	700	Oct. 8, 1873	Roscoe.....	Roscoe.....	75	Oct. 4, 1849
Plymouth.....	Plymouth.....	286	Oct. 7, 1858	Rossville.....	Rossville.....	519	Oct. 1, 1867
Pocahontas.....	Gordon.....	473	Oct. 3, 1866	Rossville.....	Rossville.....	527	Oct. 1, 1867
Polo.....	Mystic Tie.....	187	Oct. 6, 1856	Rushville.....	Rushville.....	9	Oct. 3, 1842
Pontiac.....	Pontiac.....	294	Oct. 5, 1859	Rutland.....	Rutland.....	477	Oct. 3, 1866
Pontoosuc.....	Herrick.....	193	Oct. 6, 1856	Sadorus.....	Sadorus.....	477	Oct. 3, 1866
Port Byron.....	Philo.....	436	Oct. 4, 1865	Saint Charles.....	J. R. Gorin.....	537	Oct. 1, 1867
Potomac.....	Potomac.....	782	Oct. 6, 1887	Saint Elmo.....	Saint Elmo.....	548	Oct. 5, 1847
Prairie City.....	Golden Gate.....	248	Oct. 7, 1857	Salem.....	Salem.....	769	Oct. 8, 1884
Pre-emption.....	Pre-emption.....	755	Oct. 4, 1877	Sandwich.....	Sandwich.....	130	Oct. 4, 1853
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San Jose.....	San Jose.....	645	Oct. 4, 1870	Stronghurst.....	Stronchurst.....	847	Oct. 6, 1896
Saunemin.....	Saunemin.....	738	Oct. 3, 1876	Sublette.....	Sublette.....	340	Oct. 3, 1860
Savanna.....	Savanna.....	385	Oct. 3, 1863	Sullivan.....	Sullivan.....	764	Oct. 3, 1883
Saybrook.....	Chessy's Grove.	468	Oct. 3, 1866	Summerfield.....	Summerfield.....	342	Oct. 3, 1860
Scott Land.....	Scott Land.....	743	Oct. 3, 1876	Sumner.....	Sumner.....	334	Oct. 3, 1863
Scottville.....	Scottville.....	426	Oct. 4, 1865	Sycamore.....	Sycamore.....	134	Oct. 3, 1863
Seaton.....	Charly.....	838	Oct. 2, 1895	Tampara.....	Tampara.....	207	Oct. 1, 1858
Seneca.....	Seneca.....	532	Oct. 1, 1867	Tampico.....	Yorcktown.....	655	Oct. 1, 1870
Sesser.....	Sesser.....	918	Oct. 12, 1910	Temple Hill.....	Mound.....	122	Oct. 5, 1832
Shabona.....	Shabona.....	374	Oct. 8, 1862	Temple Hill.....	Temple Hill.....	701	Oct. 8, 1873
Shannon.....	Shannon.....	490	Oct. 3, 1866	Thompsonville.....	Akin.....	749	Oct. 1, 1867
Shawneetown.....	Warren.....	14	Oct. 5, 1842	Thomson.....	Thomson.....	559	Oct. 1, 1867
Sheffield.....	Ames.....	142	Oct. 2, 1854	Time.....	Time.....	569	Oct. 1, 1867
Shelbyville.....	Shelbyville.....	53	Oct. 4, 1848	Timewell.....	Timewell.....	430	Oct. 1, 1865
Sheldon.....	Sheldon.....	609	Oct. 5, 1869	Tiskilwa.....	Kendrick.....	550	Oct. 1, 1867
Sheridan.....	Sheridan.....	735	Oct. 5, 1875	Toledo.....	Toledo.....	834	Oct. 3, 1864
Shipman.....	Shipman.....	212	Oct. 7, 1856	Tolona.....	Tolona.....	301	Oct. 3, 1863
Shipman.....	Shipman.....	582	Oct. 6, 1868	Tonica.....	Tonica.....	364	Oct. 1, 1861
Shirley.....	Shirley.....	798	Oct. 6, 1881	Toulon.....	Toulon.....	93	Oct. 8, 1860
Sibley.....	Sibley.....	701	Oct. 8, 1890	Towanda.....	Towanda.....	542	Oct. 1, 1867
Sidell.....	Sidell.....	347	Oct. 2, 1860	Tower Hill.....	Tower Hill.....	493	Oct. 3, 1868
Sidney.....	Sidney.....	898	Oct. 2, 1907	Tremont.....	Tremont.....	462	Oct. 3, 1868
Silvis.....	Silvis.....	598	Oct. 4, 1870	Trenton.....	Trenton.....	106	Oct. 6, 1851
Somonauk.....	Somonauk.....	646	Oct. 1, 1870	Trilla.....	Muddy Point.....	396	Oct. 5, 1861
Sorento.....	Sorento.....	861	Oct. 1, 1901	Troy.....	Troy.....	588	Oct. 5, 1868
Sparland.....	Sparland.....	441	Oct. 4, 1865	Troy Grove.....	Shiloh.....	397	Oct. 5, 1864
Sparta.....	Hope.....	162	Oct. 3, 1855	Tunnell Hill.....	Reynoldsburg.....	419	Oct. 5, 1864
Speer.....	Lawn Ridge.....	415	Oct. 5, 1864	Tuscola.....	Tuscola.....	332	Oct. 2, 1860
Springfield.....	Springfield.....	4	Oct. 28, 1839	Union.....	Orion.....	358	Oct. 1, 1861
Springfield.....	Central.....	71	Oct. 4, 1849	Upper Alton.....	Franklin.....	25	Oct. 1, 1837
Springfield.....	Springfield.....	333	Oct. 2, 1860	Urbana.....	Urbana.....	157	Oct. 2, 1854
Springfield.....	St. Paul's.....	500	Oct. 3, 1866	Utica.....	Utica.....	858	Oct. 2, 1901
Spring Hill.....	Bollen.....	412	Oct. 5, 1864	Valer.....	Goode.....	744	Oct. 3, 1876
Spring Valley.....	S. M. Dalzell.....	805	Oct. 6, 1891	Vandalia.....	Vandalia.....	16	Dec. 10, 1842
Staanunton.....	Staanunton.....	177	Oct. 2, 1855	Venice.....	Triple.....	835	Oct. 3, 1864
Steeleville.....	Alma.....	497	Oct. 3, 1866	Vermilion.....	Vermilion.....	408	Oct. 5, 1864
Sterling.....	Rock River.....	612	Oct. 5, 1869	Vermont.....	Vermont.....	116	Oct. 4, 1852
Stewardson.....	Stewardson.....	902	Oct. 7, 1908	Versailles.....	Versailles.....	757	Oct. 3, 1878
Stewardson.....	Stewardson.....	541	Oct. 1, 1867	Victoria.....	A. T. Darrah.....	108	Oct. 6, 1851
St. Francisville.....	Stellor.....	514	Oct. 13, 1909	Vienna.....	Vienna.....	793	Oct. 8, 1891
Stockton.....	Plum River.....	552	Oct. 1, 1867	Villa Grove.....	Villa Grove.....	150	Oct. 2, 1854
Stone Fort.....	Stone Fort.....	495	Oct. 3, 1866			585	Oct. 3, 1908
Streator.....	Streator.....	607	Oct. 6, 1868				

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Viola.....	Viola.....	577	Oct. 6, 1868.	West Frankfort..	Frankfort.....	567	Oct. 1, 1867
Virden.....	Virden.....	161	Oct. 3, 1855.	West Point.....	Dills.....	295	Oct. 5, 1859
Virginia.....	Virginia.....	544	Oct. 1, 1867.	West Salem.....	West Salem.....	866	Oct. 8, 1902
Waldron.....	Waldron.....	378	Oct. 8, 1863.	Wheaton.....	Wheaton.....	269	Oct. 6, 1858
Walnut.....	Walnut.....	722	Oct. 7, 1874.	Wheeler.....	Wheeler.....	883	Oct. 8, 1906
Walpole.....	Tuscan.....	630	Oct. 5, 1869.	Wheeling.....	Victrivius.....	81	Oct. 10, 1850
Walshville.....	Walshville.....	475	Oct. 3, 1866.	White Hall.....	White Hall.....	80	Oct. 7, 1856
Waltham.....	Waltham.....	384	Oct. 8, 1863.	Williams Hill.....	Lavelly.....	203	Oct. 3, 1866
Warren.....	Jo Daviess.....	278	Oct. 6, 1858.	Willow Hill.....	Cooper.....	489	Oct. 3, 1866
Warsaw.....	Warsaw.....	257	Oct. 6, 1858.	Wilmington.....	Wilmington.....	208	Oct. 7, 1856
Washington.....	Washington.....	421	Oct. 5, 1864.	Winchester.....	Winchester.....	105	Oct. 6, 1851
Washington.....	Taylor.....	98	Oct. 6, 1851.	Windsor.....	Windsor.....	322	Oct. 5, 1850
Wataga.....	Wataga.....	291	Oct. 5, 1859.	Winnabago.....	Winnabago.....	745	Oct. 3, 1876
Waterman.....	Waterman.....	728	Oct. 5, 1875.	Winslow.....	Winslow.....	564	Oct. 1, 1867
Waterloo.....	Morris.....	787	Oct. 3, 1889.	Wintertrowd.....	Mayo.....	664	Oct. 3, 1871
Watseka.....	Watseka.....	446	Oct. 4, 1875.	Woburn.....	Gilham.....	809	Oct. 6, 1891
Watson.....	Watson.....	602	Oct. 6, 1868.	Wolf Creek.....	Chapel Hill.....	719	Oct. 3, 1866
Wauconda.....	Wauconda.....	298	Oct. 5, 1850.	Woodhull.....	Woodhull.....	502	Oct. 3, 1818
Waukegan.....	Waukegan.....	78	Oct. 4, 1849.	Woodstock.....	Saint Marks.....	263	Oct. 7, 1857
Waverly.....	Waverly.....	118	Oct. 4, 1852.	Wyandot.....	Wyandot.....	231	Oct. 3, 1866
Wayne City.....	Orel.....	759	Oct. 9, 1879.	Wyoming.....	Wyoming.....	479	Oct. 3, 1866
Waynesville.....	Wayne.....	172	Oct. 3, 1855.	Xenia.....	Xenia.....	485	Oct. 8, 1866
Weldon.....	Weldon.....	746	Oct. 3, 1876.	Yates City.....	Yates City.....	448	Oct. 4, 1865
Wenona.....	Wenona.....	344	Oct. 3, 1860.	York.....	York.....	313	Oct. 5, 1850
West Chicago.....	Amity.....	472	Oct. 3, 1866.	Yorkville.....	Kendall.....	471	Oct. 3, 1866

List of Lodges by Districts.

FIRST DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	PLACE OF MEETING.
33	Oriental	Chicago.....	78 Monroe St.....
271	Blaney.....	Chicago.....	78 Monroe St.....
409	T. J. Turner.....	Chicago.....	Masonic Temple.....
524	Evans.....	Evanston.....	810 Davis St.....
642	Apollo.....	Chicago.....	3120 Forest Ave.....
697	Richard Cole.....	Chicago.....	2941 Archer Ave.....
751	Lounsbury.....	Barrington.....	Barrington.....
776	Grand Crossing.....	Chicago.....	7439 Engleside Ave.....
795	Myrtle.....	Chicago.....	1172 W. Byron St.....
818	Ben Hur.....	Chicago.....	856 N. California Ave.....
843	Park.....	Chicago.....	N. Clark St. and Lunt Ave.....
863	St. Andrews.....	Chicago.....	Masonic Temple.....
878	Equity.....	Chicago.....	4229 Cottage Grove Ave.....
890	Desplaines.....	Desplaines.....	Desplaines.....
899	Park Manor.....	Chicago.....	6857 Wentworth Ave.....
914	Republic.....	Chicago.....	Washington Ave. and 55th St.....
924	Banner Blue.....	Chicago.....	Englewood Masonic Temple.....

H. Vanderbilt, D. D. G. M., 11232 Michigan Ave., Chicago.

SECOND DISTRICT:

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	PLACE OF MEETING.
81	Vitruvius.....	Wheeling.....	Wheeling.....
277	Accordia.....	Chicago.....	Halsted St. and North Ave.....
410	Mithra.....	Chicago.....	E. N. Ave. and N. Halsted St.....
526	Covenant.....	Chicago.....	Masonic Temple.....
643	D. C. Cregier.....	Chicago.....	404 and 406 Milwaukee Ave.....
711	Providence.....	Jefferson.....	481 Milwaukee Ave.....
758	Mystic Star.....	Chicago.....	6734 Wentworth Ave.....
777	Ravenswood.....	Chicago.....	Montrose & N. Hermitage Ave.....
797	Normal Park.....	Chicago.....	6734 Wentworth Ave.....
819	Columbian.....	Chicago.....	1812 West 92d St.....
850	Austin.....	Chicago.....	Austin.....
864	Olympia.....	Chicago.....	4229 Cottage Grove Ave.....
879	Composite.....	Chicago.....	106 West 47th street.....
891	Logan Square.....	Chicago.....	3117 Logan Blvd.....
900	Carnation.....	Chicago.....	4229 Cottage Grove Ave.....
915	Jackson Park.....	Chicago.....	1538 E. 64th St.....
926	Veritas.....	Chicago.....	W. Chicago Masonic Temple.....

Harry W. Harvey, D. D. G. M., 7211 Lexington Ave., Chicago.

THIRD DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	PLACE OF MEETING.
141	Garden City.....	Chicago.....	Masonic Temple.....
308	Ashlar.....	Chicago.....	Masonic Temple.....
411	Hesperia.....	Chicago.....	78 Monroe St.....
540	Oak Park.....	Oak Park.....	Oak Park.....
662	South Park.....	Chicago.....	Washington Ave. and 55th St.....
716	Calumet.....	Blue Island.....	Blue Island.....
765	Palace.....	Chicago.....	Market Bld., Pullman.....
779	Wright's Grove.....	Chicago.....	N. Clark St. and Belmont Av.....
800	Kenwood.....	Chicago.....	4229 Cottage Grove Ave.....
832	Harvey.....	Harvey.....	Harvey.....
851	Chicago Heights.....	Chicago Heights.....	Chicago Heights.....
865	St. Cecilia.....	Chicago.....	Masonic Temple.....
880	John B. Sherman.....	Chicago.....	47th St. and Ashland Ave.....
892	Constellation.....	Chicago.....	3518 N. Marshfield Ave.....
901	Edgewater.....	Chicago.....	S. W. cor. B. M. & Winthrop Ave.....
916	Welcome.....	Chicago.....	Masonic Temple.....
927	Candida.....	Chicago.....	Masonic Temple.....

R. R. Jampolis, D. D. G. M., 200 Randolph St., Chicago.

FOURTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	PLACE OF MEETING.
160	Waubansia	Chicago	Masonic Temple
310	Dearborn	Chicago	3190 Forest Ave.
423	Landmark	Chicago	4229 Cottage Grove Ave.
557	Lessing	Chicago	615-617 North Clark St.
689	Herder	Chicago	358 Blue Island Ave.
717	Arcana	Chicago	117 So. Oakley Blvd.
767	Triluminar	Chicago	9110 Commercial Ave.
780	Siloam	Chicago	1250 West Madison St.
804	Kensington	Chicago	11100 Michigan Ave.
836	Windsor Park	Chicago	75th St. and Coles Ave.
854	Brighton Park	Chicago	3811 Archer Ave.
869	Maywood	Maywood	Maywood
883	Boulevard	Chicago	42d and Halsted streets.
894	Utopia	Chicago	9231-33 Cottage Grove Ave.
907	Ancient Craft	Chicago	Lexington Ave. and 64th St.
917	Concord	Chicago	4229 Cottage Grove Ave.

Albert Roullier, D. D. G. M., Fine Arts Bldg., Chicago.

FIFTH DISTRICT.

O.	NAME.	LOCATION.	PLACE OF MEETING.
182	Germania	Chicago	615 North Clark St.
311	Kilwinning	Chicago	Masonic Temple
437	Chicago	Chicago	Masonic Temple
611	Union Park	Chicago	473 and 475 W. Madison St.
674	Waldeck	Chicago	44th and State St.
726	Golden Rule	Chicago	Masonic Temple
768	Mizpah	Chicago	4341 South Halsted St.
783	Constantia	Chicago	70 Adams St.
810	Tracy	Chicago	103d St. near Walden Parkway.
839	Berwyn	Berwyn	Berwyn
855	King Oscar	Chicago	Masonic Temple
873	Standard	Chicago	Masonic Temple
887	Pyramid	Chicago	Hagewich
895	Crescent	Chicago	6734 Wentworth Ave.
908	G. L. W. Barnard	Chicago	7439-7441 Ingleside Ave.
921	Avondale	Chicago	Belmont and Kedzie Ave.

David D. King, D. D. G. M., 1231 Congress St., Chicago.

SIXTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	PLACE OF MEETING.
209	W. B. Warren	Chicago	Masonic Temple
314	Palatine	Palatine	Palatine
478	Pleiades	Chicago	473 West Madison St.
611	Lincoln Park	Chicago	615-617 N. Clark St.
683	Garfield	Chicago	1250 West Madison St.
731	Harbor	Chicago	91st St. and Commercial Ave.
770	LaGrange	LaGrange	LaGrange
784	Beacon Light	Chicago	Norwood Park
813	Humboldt Park	Chicago	913 West North Ave.
841	Woodlawn Park	Chicago	225 64th St.
861	Metropolitan	Chicago	2022 and 2024 West Madison St.
875	Corner-Stone	Chicago	Central Masonic Temple, 912 LaSalle St.
888	Damascus	Chicago	64th and Lexington Ave.
896	Kosmos	Chicago	101 W. 55th St.
909	Bee Hive	Chicago	4229 Cottage Grove Ave.
923	Compass	Chicago	4201 S. Halsted St.

Wm. H. Bied, D. D. G. M., 6024 Calumet Ave., Chicago.

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	PLACE OF MEETING.
211	Cleveland.....	Chicago.....	Randolph and Halsted Sts....
393	Blair.....	Chicago.....	78 Monroe St.....
508	Home.....	Chicago.....	3120 Forest Ave.....
639	Keystone.....	Chicago.....	615-617 North (Clark St.....
690	Englewood.....	Chicago.....	6734 Wentworth Ave.....
739	Lakeside.....	Chicago.....	3120 Forest Ave.....
774	Lake View.....	Chicago.....	293 Dearborn.....
789	Auburn Park.....	Chicago.....	79th and Lowe Ave.....
815	Lawn.....	Chicago.....	3620 West 63d St.....
842	Fides.....	Chicago.....	700-119 Street.....
862	Riverside.....	Riverside.....	.....
876	William McKinley.....	Chicago.....	Masonic Temple.....
889	America.....	Chicago.....	Ameri'n Exp. Bldg., 78 Monroe
897	Ogden Park.....	Chicago.....	6719 S. Ashland Ave.....
913	Aaron.....	Chicago.....	6734 Wentworth Ave.....
9-3	East Gate.....	Chicago.....	Masonic Temple.....

Edward W. Peterson, D. D. G. M., 5947 Midway Park, Chicago.

EIGHTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
63	St. Marks.....	Woodstock.....	McHenry.....
138	Marengo.....	Marengo.....	McHenry.....
143	Richmond.....	Richmond.....	McHenry.....
158	McHenry.....	McHenry.....	McHenry.....
169	Nunda.....	Nunda.....	McHenry.....
306	Harvard.....	Harvard.....	McHenry.....
358	Orion.....	Union.....	McHenry.....
604	Hebron.....	Hebron.....	McHenry.....
78	Waukegan.....	Waukegan.....	Lake.....
115	Rising Sun.....	Gray's Lake.....	Lake.....
127	Antioch.....	Millburn.....	Lake.....
298	Wauconda.....	Wauconda.....	Lake.....
492	Libertyville.....	Libertyville.....	Lake.....
676	A. O. Fay.....	Highland Park.....	Lake.....
827	Sequoia.....	Antioch.....	Lake.....

Jay L. Brewster, D. D. G. M., Waukegan.

NINTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
60	Belvidere.....	Belvidere.....	Boone.....
575	Capron.....	Capron.....	Boone.....
74	Rockton.....	Rockton.....	Winnebago.....
75	Roscoe.....	Roscoe.....	Winnebago.....
102	Rockford.....	Rockford.....	Winnebago.....
145	A. W. Rawson.....	Pecatonica.....	Winnebago.....
166	Star-in-the-East.....	Rockford.....	Winnebago.....
173	Cherry Valley.....	Cherry Valley.....	Winnebago.....
302	Durand.....	Durand.....	Winnebago.....
633	E. F. W. Ellis.....	Rockford.....	Winnebago.....
745	Winnebago.....	Winnebago.....	Winnebago.....
97	Excelsior.....	Freeport.....	Stephenson.....
170	Evergreen.....	Freeport.....	Stephenson.....
174	Lena.....	Lena.....	Stephenson.....
414	Evening Star.....	Davis.....	Stephenson.....
564	Winslow.....	Winslow.....	Stephenson.....
687	Orangeville.....	Orangeville.....	Stephenson.....
823	Pearl.....	Pearl City.....	Stephenson.....

James M. Huff, D. D. G. M., Belvidere.

TENTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
905	Hanover	Hanover	Jo Daviess
30	Kavanaugh	Elizabeth	Jo Daviess
273	Miners	Galena	Jo Daviess
278	Jo Daviess	Warren	Jo Daviess
491	Martin	East Dubuque	Jo Daviess
554	Plum River	Stockton	Jo Daviess
859	Apple River	Apple River	Jo Daviess
188	Cyrus	Mt. Carroll	Carroll
345	Milledgeville	Milledgeville	Carroll
385	Mississippi	Savanna	Carroll
423	Lanark	Lanark	Carroll
490	Shannon	Shannon	Carroll
559	Thomson	Thomson	Carroll
867	Chadwick	Chadwick	Carroll

John W. Oliver, D. D. G. M., Apple River

ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
134	Sycamore	Sycamore	De Kalb
144	De Kalb	De Kalb	De Kalb
283	Meteor	Sandwich	De Kalb
288	Genoa	Genoa	De Kalb
301	Hinckley	Hinckley	De Kalb
374	Shabbona	Shabbona	De Kalb
402	Kishwaukee	Kingston	De Kalb
646	Somonauk	Somonauk	De Kalb
728	Waterman	Waterman	De Kalb
857	Boyd D.	Kirkland	De Kalb
96	Samuel H. Davis	Mt. Morris	Ogle
187	Mystic Tie	Polo	Ogle
244	Horicon	Rochelle	Ogle
274	Byron	Byron	Ogle
320	Creston	Creston	Ogle
420	Oregon	Oregon	Ogle
505	Meridian Sun	Holcomb	Ogle

B. A. Cottlow, D. D. G. M., Oregon

TWELFTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
48	Unity	St. Charles	Kane
90	Jerusalem Temple	Aurora	Kane
117	Elgin	Elgin	Kane
139	Geneva	Geneva	Kane
190	Dundee	Dundee	Kane
254	Aurora	Aurora	Kane
356	Blackberry	Elburn	Kane
404	Batavia	Batavia	Kane
443	Hampshire	Hampshire	Kane
521	Monitor	Elgin	Kane
303	Raven	Oswego	Kendall
323	Orient	Lisbon	Kendall
428	Sunbeam	Plano	Kendall
471	Kendall	Yorkville	Kendall
65	Euclid	Naperville	Du Page
260	Wheaton	Wheaton	Du Page
472	Amity	West Chicago	Du Page
824	Grove	Downers Grove	Du Page

J. H. Griffiths, D. D. G. M., Downers Grove.

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
189	Fulton City.....	Fulton.....	Whiteside.....
293	Prophetstown.....	Prophetstown.....	Whiteside.....
321	Dunlap.....	Morrison.....	Whiteside.....
412	Bollen.....	Spring Hill.....	Whiteside.....
566	Albany.....	Albany.....	Whiteside.....
612	Rock River.....	Sterling.....	Whiteside.....
655	Yorktown.....	Campico.....	Whiteside.....
667	Erie.....	Erie.....	Whiteside.....
750	Lyndon.....	Lyndon.....	Whiteside.....
7	Friendship.....	Dixon.....	Lee.....
146	Lee Centre.....	Lee Centre.....	Lee.....
178	Illinois Central.....	Amboy.....	Lee.....
205	Corinthian.....	Paw Paw.....	Lee.....
264	Franklin Grove.....	Franklin Grove.....	Lee.....
282	Brooklyn.....	Compton.....	Lee.....
349	Sublette.....	Sublette.....	Lee.....
531	Ashton.....	Ashton.....	Lee.....
902	Aito.....	Stewart.....	Lee.....

W. C. Stilson, D. D. G. M., Morrison.

FOURTEENTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
49	Cambridge.....	Cambridge.....	Henry.....
92	Stewart.....	Geneseo.....	Henry.....
159	Kewanee.....	Kewanee.....	Henry.....
243	Galva.....	Galva.....	Henry.....
433	Annawan.....	Atkinson.....	Henry.....
502	Woodhull.....	Woodhull.....	Henry.....
535	Sherman.....	Orion.....	Henry.....
680	Clement.....	Colono.....	Henry.....
886	Hooppole.....	Hooppole.....	Henry.....
57	Trio.....	Rock Island.....	Rock Island.....
69	Eureka.....	Milan.....	Rock Island.....
319	Doric.....	Moline.....	Rock Island.....
436	Philo.....	Port Byron.....	Rock Island.....
516	Andalusia.....	Andalusia.....	Rock Island.....
543	Cordova.....	Cordova.....	Rock Island.....
547	Valley.....	Coal Valley.....	Rock Island.....
658	Rock Island.....	Rock Island.....	Rock Island.....
679	Buffalo Prairie.....	Illinois City.....	Rock Island.....
898	Silvis.....	Silvis.....	Rock Island.....

Milton T. Booth, D. D. G. M., Atkinson.

FIFTEENTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
112	Bureau.....	Princeton.....	Bureau.....
142	Ames.....	Sheffield.....	Bureau.....
231	Wyanet.....	Wyanet.....	Bureau.....
270	Levi Lusk.....	Arlington.....	Bureau.....
383	La Moille.....	La Moille.....	Bureau.....
399	Buda.....	Buda.....	Bureau.....
550	Sharon.....	Tiskilwa.....	Bureau.....
587	Princeton.....	Princeton.....	Bureau.....
722	Walnut.....	Walnut.....	Bureau.....
803	Neponset.....	Neponset.....	Bureau.....
805	S. M. Dazell.....	Spring Valley.....	Bureau.....
814	Ohio.....	Ohio.....	Bureau.....
103	Magnolia.....	Magnolia.....	Putnam.....
61	Lacon.....	Lacon.....	Marshall.....
119	Henry.....	Henry.....	Marshall.....
344	Wenona.....	Wenona.....	Marshall.....
441	Sparland.....	Sparland.....	Marshall.....

F. H. Bradley, D. D. G. M., Princeton, R. F. D.

SIXTEENTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
13	St. John's	Peru	La Salle
40	Occidental	Ottawa	La Salle
67	Acacia	La Salle	La Salle
176	Mendota	Mendota	La Salle
183	Meridian	Earlville	La Salle
194	Freedom	Freedom	La Salle
364	Tonica	Tonica	La Salle
384	Waltham	Waltham	La Salle
397	Shiloh	Troy Grove	La Salle
417	Marseilles	Marseilles	La Salle
477	Rutland	Rutland	La Salle
532	Seneca	Seneca	La Salle
555	Humboldt	Ottawa	La Salle
607	Streator	Streator	La Salle
735	Sheridan	Sheridan	La Salle
858	Utica	Utica	La Salle
870	Lostant	Lostant	La Salle
558	Leland	Leland	La Salle

Wm. P. Grube, D. D. G. M., LaSalle.

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
42	Mt. Joliet	Joliet	Will
175	Matteson	Joliet	Will
218	Wilmington	Wilmington	Will
262	Channahon	Channahon	Will
536	Plainfield	Plainfield	Will
538	Lockport	Lockport	Will
636	Peotone	Peotone	Will
704	Braidwood	Braidwood	Will
763	Crete	Crete	Will
919	Elwood	Elwood	Will
124	Cedar	Morris	Grundy
528	Minooka	Minooka	Grundy
573	Gardner	Gardner	Grundy
757	Verona	Verona	Grundy
826	Mazon	Mazon	Grundy

John B. Fithian, D. D. G. M., Joliet.

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
378	Aroma	Waldron	Kankakee
389	Kankakee	Kankakee	Kankakee
481	Momence	Momence	Kankakee
168	Milford	Milford	Iroquois
305	Onarga	Onarga	Iroquois
316	Abraham Jonas	Loda	Iroquois
429	Chebanse	Chebanse	Iroquois
446	Watseka	Watseka	Iroquois
506	O. H. Miner	Iroquois	Iroquois
591	Gilman	Gilman	Iroquois
609	Sheldon	Sheldon	Iroquois
634	Buckley	Buckley	Iroquois
688	Clifton	Clifton	Iroquois
845	Martinton	Martinton	Iroquois

N. T. Stevens, D. D. G. M., Clifton.

NINETEENTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION	COUNTY.
294	Pontiac.....	Pontiac.....	Livingston.....
351	Tarbolton.....	Fairbury.....	Livingston.....
371	Livingston.....	Dwight.....	Livingston.....
401	Odell.....	Odell.....	Livingston.....
539	Chatsworth.....	Chatsworth.....	Livingston.....
552	Long Point.....	Long Point.....	Livingston.....
614	Forrest.....	Forrest.....	Livingston.....
738	Saunemin.....	Saunemin.....	Livingston.....
868	Cornell.....	Cornell.....	Livingston.....
416	Paxton.....	Paxton.....	Ford.....
608	Piper.....	Piper City.....	Ford.....
631	Norton.....	Cabery.....	Ford.....
733	Gibson.....	Gibson City.....	Ford.....
761	Sibley.....	Sibley.....	Ford.....
811	Melvin.....	Melvin.....	Ford.....

W. A. Hoover, D. D. G. M., Gibson City.

TWENTIETH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
15	Peoria.....	Peoria.....	Peoria.....
46	Temple.....	Peoria.....	Peoria.....
106	Lancaster.....	Glasford.....	Peoria.....
222	George Washington.....	Chillicothe.....	Peoria.....
263	Illinois.....	Peoria.....	Peoria.....
339	Schiller.....	Peoria.....	Peoria.....
360	Princeville.....	Princeville.....	Peoria.....
363	Horob.....	Elmwood.....	Peoria.....
748	Alta.....	Alta.....	Peoria.....
246	El Paso.....	El Paso.....	Woodford.....
247	Rob Morris.....	Minonk.....	Woodford.....
306	Wm. C. Hobbs.....	Eureka.....	Woodford.....
421	Washburn.....	Washburn.....	Woodford.....

John C. Weis, D. D. G. M., Peoria.

TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
66	Pacific.....	Knoxville.....	Knox.....
155	Alpha.....	Galesburg.....	Knox.....
185	Abingdon.....	Abingdon.....	Knox.....
291	Wataga.....	Wataga.....	Knox.....
330	Altona.....	Altona.....	Knox.....
337	Oneida.....	Oneida.....	Knox.....
414	Yates City.....	Yates City.....	Knox.....
530	Maquon.....	Maquon.....	Knox.....
584	Vesper.....	Galesburg.....	Knox.....
685	Rio.....	Rio.....	Knox.....
793	A. T. Darrah.....	Victoria.....	Knox.....
93	Toulon.....	Toulon.....	Stark.....
415	Lawn Ridge.....	Speer.....	Stark.....
479	Wyoming.....	Wyoming.....	Stark.....
501	Stark.....	La Fayette.....	Stark.....
514	Bradford.....	Bradford.....	Stark.....

C. T. Holmes, D. D. G. M., Galesburg.

TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
59	New Boston	New Boston	Mercer
113	Robert Burns	Keithsburg	Mercer
252	Aledo	Aledo	Mercer
367	Oxford	New Windsor	Mercer
577	Viola	Viola	Mercer
755	Pre-emption	Pre-emption	Mercer
838	Charity	Seaton	Mercer
37	Monmouth	Monmouth	Warren
518	Abraham Lincoln	Kirkwood	Warren
519	Roseville	Roseville	Warren
702	Alexandria	Alexis	Warren
123	Oquawka	Oquawka	Henderson
727	Karltan	Karltan	Henderson
732	Carman	Carman	Henderson
847	Stronghurst	Stronghurst	Henderson

C. L. Gregory, D. D. G. M., Aledo.

TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
17	Macomb	Macomb	McDonough
233	Blandinsville	Blandinsville	McDonough
248	Golden Gate	Prairie City	McDonough
347	T. J. Pickett	Bushnell	McDonough
327	Industry	Industry	McDonough
496	Colchester	Colchester	McDonough
672	Bardolph	Bardolph	McDonough
617	Good Hope	Good Hope	McDonough
100	Astoria	Astoria	Fulton
104	Lewistown	Lewistown	Fulton
116	Vermont	Vermont	Fulton
192	Farmington	Farmington	Fulton
213	Ipava	Ipava	Fulton
253	Avon Harmony	Avon	Fulton
350	Fairview	Fairview	Fulton
534	Cuba	Cuba	Fulton
734	Morning Star	Canton	Fulton
848	London	London Mills	Fulton

Geo. M. Bell, D. D. G. M., Bushnell.

TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
20	Hancock	Carthage	Hancock
193	Herrick	Pontoosic	Hancock
195	La Harpe	La Harpe	Hancock
235	Dallas City	Dallas City	Hancock
238	Black Hawk	Hamilton	Hancock
257	Warsaw	Warsaw	Hancock
286	Plymouth	Plymouth	Hancock
295	Dills	West Point	Hancock
318	J. L. Anderson	Augusta	Hancock
464	Denver	Denver	Hancock
486	Bowen	Bowen	Hancock
618	Basco	Basco	Hancock
683	Burnside	Burnside	Hancock
715	Elvaston	Elvaston	Hancock
9	Rushville	Rushville	Schuyler
465	Huntsville	Huntsville	Schuyler
648	Camden	Camden	Schuyler
766	Littleton	Littleton	Schuyler

E. M. Crain, D. D. G. M., Augusta.

TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
29	Pekin.....	Pekin.....	Tazewell.....
95	Taylor.....	Washington.....	Tazewell.....
126	Empire.....	Pekin.....	Tazewell.....
132	Mackinaw.....	Mackinaw.....	Tazewell.....
156	Delavan.....	Delavan.....	Tazewell.....
352	Groveland.....	Morton.....	Tazewell.....
462	Tremont.....	Tremont.....	Tazewell.....
622	Hopedale.....	Hopedale.....	Tazewell.....
641	Comet.....	Minier.....	Tazewell.....
87	Mt. Putaski.....	Mt. Putaski.....	Logan.....
165	Atlanta.....	Atlanta.....	Logan.....
210	Logan.....	Lincoln.....	Logan.....
741	New Holland.....	New Holland.....	Logan.....
808	Cornland.....	Cornland.....	Logan.....
853	Latham.....	Latham.....	Logan.....
903	Elkhart.....	Elkhart.....	Logan.....

L. W. Lawton, D. D. G. M., Delavan.

TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
43	Bloomington.....	Bloomington.....	McLean.....
221	Le Roy.....	Le Roy.....	McLean.....
251	Heyworth.....	Heyworth.....	McLean.....
292	Chenoa.....	Chenoa.....	McLean.....
468	Cheneys Grove.....	Saybrook.....	McLean.....
469	McLean.....	McLean.....	McLean.....
482	Lexington.....	Lexington.....	McLean.....
512	Wade Barney.....	Bloomington.....	McLean.....
542	Towanda.....	Towanda.....	McLean.....
582	Shirley.....	Shirley.....	McLean.....
656	Mozart.....	Bloomington.....	McLean.....
673	Normal.....	Normal.....	McLean.....
737	Arrowsmith.....	Arrowsmith.....	McLean.....
749	Danvers.....	Danvers.....	McLean.....
799	Colfax.....	Colfax.....	McLean.....
911	Bellflower.....	Bellflower.....	McLean.....

H. M. Palmer, D. D. G. M., McLean.

TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
38	Olive Branch.....	Danville.....	Vermillion.....
154	Russell.....	Georgetown.....	Vermillion.....
265	Vermillion.....	Indianola.....	Vermillion.....
285	Catlin.....	Catlin.....	Vermillion.....
527	Rossville.....	Rossville.....	Vermillion.....
590	Fairmount.....	Fairmount.....	Vermillion.....
632	Ridge Farm.....	Ridge Farm.....	Vermillion.....
709	Star.....	Hoopeston.....	Vermillion.....
714	Collison.....	Collison.....	Vermillion.....
725	Rankin.....	Rankin.....	Vermillion.....
782	Potomac.....	Potomac.....	Vermillion.....
798	Sidell.....	Sidell.....	Vermillion.....
872	Free Will.....	Oakwood.....	Vermillion.....

C. L. Sandusky, D. D. G. M., Danville.

TWENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
157	Urbana	Urbana	Champaign
199	Homer	Homer	Champaign
220	Mahomet	Mahomet	Champaign
240	Western Star	Champaign	Champaign
347	Sidney	Sidney	Champaign
391	Tolono	Tolono	Champaign
470	Rantoul	Rantoul	Champaign
537	J. R. Gorin	Sadorous	Champaign
574	Pera	Ludlow	Champaign
747	Centennial	Philo	Champaign
754	Ogden	Ogden	Champaign
791	Broadlands	Broadlands	Champaign
891	Sangamon	Fisher	Champaign
58	Fraternal	Monticello	Piatt
365	Bement	Bement	Piatt
600	Cerro Gordo	Cerro Gordo	Piatt
651	Atwood	Atwood	Piatt
773	Mansfield	Mansfield	Piatt
812	De Land	De Land	Piatt

Wilson P. Jones, D. D. G. M., Tolono.

TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
84	De Witt	Clinton	DeWitt
172	Wayne	Waynesville	DeWitt
261	Amon	De Witt	DeWitt
710	Farmer City	Farmer City	DeWitt
746	Weldon	Weldon	DeWitt
820	Henderson	Kenney	DeWitt
8	Macon	Decatur	Macon
312	Ionic	Decatur	Macon
431	Summit	Harristown	Macon
454	Maroa	Maroa	Macon
467	South Macon	Macon	Macon
682	Blue Mound	Blue Mound	Macon
871	Argenta	Argenta	Macon

A. T. Summers, D. D. G. M., Decatur.

THIRTIETH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
4	Springfield	Springfield	Sangamon
71	Central	Springfield	Sangamon
203	Lavelly	Williamsville	Sangamon
333	Tyrian	Springfield	Sangamon
354	Ark and Anchor	Auburn	Sangamon
450	Loami	Loami	Sangamon
500	St. Pauls	Springfield	Sangamon
521	Illioopolis	Illioopolis	Sangamon
523	Chatham	Chatham	Sangamon
556	Dawson	Dawson	Sangamon
635	Rochester	Rochester	Sangamon
675	Pawnee	Pawnee	Sangamon
700	Pleasant Plains	Pleasant Plains	Sangamon
786	Riverton Union	Riverton	Sangamon
904	Carlock	Mechanicsburg	Sangamon
19	Clinton	Petersburg	Menard
653	Greenview	Greenview	Menard
762	VanMeter	Athens	Menard

S. S. Breese, D. D. G. M., Springfield.

THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
88	Havana	Havana	Mason
403	Mason City	Mason City	Mason
476	Manito	Manito	Mason
645	San Jose	San Jose	Mason
23	Cass	Beardstown	Cass
544	Virginia	Virginia	Cass
724	Chandlerville	Chandlerville	Cass
3	Harmony	Jacksonville	Morgan
52	Benevolent	Meredosia	Morgan
118	Waverly	Waverly	Morgan
346	N. D. Morse	Concord	Morgan
382	Gill	Lynnville	Morgan
432	Murrayville	Murrayville	Morgan
570	Jacksonville	Jacksonville	Morgan
616	Wadley	Franklin	Morgan

C. P. Ross, D. D. G. M., Jacksonville.

THIRTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
44	Hardin	Mt Sterling	Brown
108	Versailles	Versailles	Brown
439	Kendrick	Mound Station	Brown
34	Barry	Barry	Pike
45	Griggsville	Griggsville	Pike
95	Perry	Perry	Pike
218	New Salem	New Salem	Pike
275	Milton	Milton	Pike
333	Kinderhook	Kinderhook	Pike
373	Chambersburg	Chambersburg	Pike
388	El Dara	El Dara	Pike
453	New Hartford	New Hartford	Pike
565	Pleasant Hill	Pleasant Hill	Pike
569	Time	Time	Pike
790	Pittsfield	Pittsfield	Pike
806	Nebo	Nebo	Pike
831	New Canton	New Canton	Pike
830	Rockport	Rockport	Pike
910	Hull	Hull	Pike

W. W. Watson, D. D. G. M., Barry.

THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
1	Bodley	Quincy	Adams
39	Herman	Quincy	Adams
114	Marcelline	Marcelline	Adams
135	Lima	Lima	Adams
147	Clayton	Clayton	Adams
227	Columbus	Columbus	Adams
266	Kingston	Fairweather	Adams
267	La Prairie	Golden	Adams
296	Quincy	Quincy	Adams
297	Benjamin	Camp Point	Adams
379	Payson	Payson	Adams
380	Liberty	Liberty	Adams
449	Mendon	Mendon	Adams
529	Adams	Plainville	Adams
659	Lambert	Quincy	Adams
893	Lorraine	Lorraine	Adams

Emmet Howard, D. D. G. M., Quincy.

THIRTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
792	Calhoun	Harden	Calhoun
856	West Gate	Hamburg	Calhoun
341	Full Moon	Grafton	Jersey
394	Jerseyville	Jerseyville	Jersey
542	Fieldon	Fieldon	Jersey
50	Carrollton	Carrollton	Greene
80	Whitehall	Whitehall	Greene
129	Greenfield	Greenfield	Greene
197	King Solomon	Kane	Greene
796	E. M. Husted	Roodhouse	Greene
105	Winchester	Winchester	Scott
229	Manchester	Manchester	Scott
424	Exeter	Exeter	Scott
846	Bluffs	Bluffs	Scott

Ralph M. Riggs, D. D. G. M., Winchester.

THIRTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
76	Mt. Nebo	Carlville	Macoupin
151	Bunker Hill	Bunker Hill	Macoupin
152	Fidelity	Medora	Macoupin
161	Virden	Virden	Macoupin
171	Girard	Girard	Macoupin
177	Staunton	Staunton	Macoupin
212	Shipman	Shipman	Macoupin
214	Gillespie	Gillespie	Macoupin
249	Hibbard	Brighton	Macoupin
426	Scottville	Scottville	Macoupin
445	Chesterfield	Chesterfield	Macoupin
461	Plainview	Plainview	Macoupin
463	Palmyra	Palmyra	Macoupin
874	Nifong	Modesto	Macoupin

C. H. Burgdorff, D. D. G. M., Carlville.

THIRTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
906	Coffeen	Coffeen	Montgomery
51	Mountain Moriah	Hillsboro	Montgomery
236	Charter Oak	Litchfield	Montgomery
255	Donnellson	Donnellson	Montgomery
455	Irving	Irving	Montgomery
456	Nokomis	Nokomis	Montgomery
475	Walshville	Walshville	Montgomery
517	Litchfield	Litchfield	Montgomery
670	Pillmore	Pillmore	Montgomery
670	Raymond	Raymond	Montgomery
245	Greenville	Greenville	Bond
473	Gordon	Pocahontas	Bond
809	Gillham	Woburn	Bond
861	Sorento	Sorento	Bond

D. W. Starr, D. D. G. M., Raymond.

THIRTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
122	Mound	Taylorville	Christian
226	Pana	Pana	Christian
340	Kedron	Mount Auburn	Christian
451	Bromwell	Assumption	Christian
585	Fisher	Grove City	Christian
623	Locust	Owaneco	Christian
647	Blueville	Edinburg	Christian
681	Morrisonville	Morrisonville	Christian
53	Jackson	Shelbyville	Shelby
180	Moweauqua	Moweauqua	Shelby
322	Windsor	Windsor	Shelby
392	Oconee	Oconee	Shelby
493	Tower Hill	Tower Hill	Shelby
541	Stewardson	Stewardson	Shelby
706	Joppa	Cowden	Shelby
831	Findlay	Findlay	Shelby

C. G. Young, D. D. G. M., Taylorville.

THIRTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
35	Charleston	Charleston	Coles
179	Wabash	Etna	Coles
219	Oakland	Oakland	Coles
280	Mattorn	Mattoon	Coles
390	Ashmore	Ashmore	Coles
396	Muddy Point	Trilla	Coles
788	Lerna	Lerna	Coles
332	Tuscola	Tuscola	Douglas
366	Arcola	Arcola	Douglas
369	Newman	Newman	Douglas
440	Camargo	Camargo	Douglas
837	Hindsboro	Hindsboro	Douglas
835	Villa Grove	Villa Grove	Douglas
238	Lovington	Lovington	Moultrie
595	Miles Hart	Gays	Moultrie
764	Sullivan	Sullivan	Moultrie
825	Arthur	Arthur	Moultrie
884	Bethany	Bethany	Moultrie

J. E. Jeffers, D. D. G. M., Arcola.

THIRTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
125	Greenup	Greenup	Cumberland
279	Neoga	Neoga	Cumberland
580	Hazel Dell	Hazel Dell	Cumberland
698	Hutton	Diona	Cumberland
834	Toledo	Toledo	Cumberland
133	Marshall	Marshall	Clark
313	York	York	Clark
44	Casey	Casey	Clark
603	Clark	Martinsville	Clark
621	Newhope	Cohn	Clark
77	Prairie	Paris	Edgar
148	Bloomfield	Chrisman	Edgar
268	Paris	Paris	Edgar
268	Paris	Paris	Edgar
280	Kansas	Kansas	Edgar
408	Stratton	Vermillion	Edgar
743	Scott Land	Scott Land	Edgar
829	Edgar	Hume	Edgar

H. Gasaway, D. D. G. M., Martinsville.

FORTIETH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
216	Newton	Newton	Jasper
489	Cooper	Willow Hill	Jasper
883	Wheeler	Wheeler	Jasper
136	Hutsonville	Hutsonville	Crawford
250	Robinson	Robinson	Crawford
348	Russelville	Flat Rock	Crawford
614	Oblong City	Oblong	Crawford
686	Crawford	Eaton	Crawford
756	Hardinsville	Hardinville	Crawford
849	Palestine	Palestine	Crawford
140	Olney	Olney	Richland
362	Noble	Noble	Richland
509	Parkersburg	Parkersburg	Richland

W. H. Rupe, D.D.G.M., Olney.

FORTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
149	Efingham	Efingham	Efingham
217	Mason	Mason	Efingham
484	Edgewood	Edgewood	Efingham
525	Delia	Elliottstown	Efingham
533	Altamont	Altamont	Efingham
578	Prairie City	Montrose	Efingham
602	Watson	Watson	Efingham
664	Mayo	Winterrowd	Efingham
665	Beecher City	Beecher City	Efingham
16	Temperance	Vandalia	Fayette
405	Ramsey	Ramsey	Fayette
001	Farina	Farina	Fayette
789	St. Elmo	St. Elmo	Fayette

C. O. Fought, D.D.G.M., Altamont.

FORTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
196	Louisville	Louisville	Clay
204	Flora	Flora	Clay
485	Xenia	Xenia	Clay
488	Clay City	Clay City	Clay
691	Iola	Iola	Clay
130	Marion	Salem	Marion
201	Centralia	Centralia	Marion
398	Kinmundy	Kinmundy	Marion
503	Odin	Odin	Marion
510	J. D. Moody	Iuka	Marion
618	Patoka	Patoka	Marion
206	Fairfield	Fairfield	Wayne
331	Mount Erie	Mt. Erie	Wayne
460	Jeffersonville	Jeffersonville	Wayne
713	Johnsonville	Johnsonville	Wayne
759	Orel	Wayne City	Wayne
925	Molenna	Golden Gate	Wayne

C. N. Hambleton, D.D.G.M., Jeffersonville.

FORTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
79	Scott.....	Carlyle.....	Clinton.....
109	Trenton.....	Trenton.....	Clinton.....
25	Franklin.....	Upper Alton.....	Madison.....
27	Piasa.....	Alton.....	Madison.....
77	Edwardsville.....	Edwardsville.....	Madison.....
85	Marine.....	Marine.....	Madison.....
406	Bethalto.....	Bethalto.....	Madison.....
560	Madison.....	New Douglas.....	Madison.....
583	Highland.....	Highland.....	Madison.....
588	Troy.....	Troy.....	Madison.....
712	Collinsville.....	Collinsville.....	Madison.....
835	Triple.....	Venice.....	Madison.....
877	Granite City.....	Granite City.....	Madison.....

Enos Johnson, D. D. G. M., Upper Alton.

FORTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
24	St. Clair.....	Belleville.....	St. Clair.....
110	Lebanon.....	Lebanon.....	St. Clair.....
349	Summerfield.....	Summerfield.....	St. Clair.....
361	Douglas.....	Muscoutah.....	St. Clair.....
418	Freeburg.....	Freeburg.....	St. Clair.....
504	East St. Louis.....	East St. Louis.....	St. Clair.....
576	O'Fallon.....	O'Fallon.....	St. Clair.....
852	Gothic.....	East St. Louis.....	St. Clair.....
881	Marissa.....	Marissa.....	St. Clair.....
474	Columbia.....	Columbia.....	Monroe.....
787	Morris.....	Waterloo.....	Monroe.....
72	Chester.....	Chester.....	Randolph.....
86	Kaskaskia.....	Evansville.....	Randolph.....
162	Hope.....	Sparta.....	Randolph.....
427	Red Bud.....	Red Bud.....	Randolph.....
497	Alma.....	Steeleville.....	Randolph.....

Geo. S. Caughlin, D. D. G. M., East St. Louis.

FORTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
55	Washington.....	Nashville.....	Washington.....
153	Clay.....	Ashley.....	Washington.....
31	Mt. Vernon.....	Mt. Vernon.....	Jefferson.....
388	Jefferson.....	Opdyke.....	Jefferson.....
696	Belle Rive.....	Belle Rive.....	Jefferson.....
721	Rome.....	Dix.....	Jefferson.....
64	Benton.....	Benton.....	Franklin.....
567	Frankfort.....	West Frankfort.....	Franklin.....
705	Ewing.....	Ewing.....	Franklin.....
744	Goode.....	Valier.....	Franklin.....
749	Akin.....	Thompsonville.....	Franklin.....
807	Royal.....	Macedonia.....	Franklin.....
918	Sesser.....	Sesser.....	Franklin.....
85	Mitchell.....	Pinckneyville.....	Perry.....
207	Tamaroa.....	Tamaroa.....	Perry.....
234	Du Quoin.....	Du Quoin.....	Perry.....

T. S. Browning, D. D. G. M., Benton.

FORTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
912	Stellar.....	St. Francesville.....	Lawrence.....
161	Edward Dobbins.....	Lawrenceville.....	Lawrence.....
331	Sumner.....	Sumner.....	Lawrence.....
380	Bridgeport.....	Bridgeport.....	Lawrence.....
447	S. D. Monroe.....	Birds.....	Lawrence.....
356	Hermitage.....	Albion.....	Edwards.....
865	West Salem.....	West Salem.....	Edwards.....
239	Mount Carmel.....	Mount Carmel.....	Wabash.....
752	Allendale.....	Allendale.....	Wabash.....
200	Sheba.....	Grayville.....	White.....
272	Carmi.....	Carmi.....	White.....
668	Burnt Prairie.....	Burnt Prairie.....	White.....
677	Enfield.....	Enfield.....	White.....
718	May.....	Norris City.....	White.....

J. R. Ennis, D. D. G. M., Burnt Prairie.

FORTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
137	Polk.....	McLeansboro.....	Hamilton.....
630	Tuscan.....	Walpole.....	Hamilton.....
807	Royal.....	Macedonia.....	Hamilton.....
128	Raleigh.....	Raleigh.....	Saline.....
325	Harrisburg.....	Harrisburg.....	Saline.....
495	Stone Fort.....	Stone Fort.....	Saline.....
684	Gallatia.....	Gallatia.....	Saline.....
730	Eldorado.....	Eldorado.....	Saline.....
2	Equality.....	Equality.....	Gallatin.....
14	Warren.....	Shawneetown.....	Gallatin.....
230	New Haven.....	New Haven.....	Gallatin.....
723	Omaha.....	Omaha.....	Gallatin.....
816	Ridgway.....	Ridgway.....	Gallatin.....
920	Cottonwood.....	Cottonwood.....	Gallatin.....

I. A. Foster, D. D. G. M., New Haven.

FORTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
241	Shekinah.....	Carbondale.....	Jackson.....
287	De Soto.....	De Soto.....	Jackson.....
434	Makanda.....	Makanda.....	Jackson.....
498	Murphysboro.....	Murphysboro.....	Jackson.....
567	La Fayette.....	Grand Tower.....	Jackson.....
565	Shiloh Hill.....	Campbell Hill.....	Jackson.....
533	Dean.....	Ava.....	Jackson.....
89	Fellowship.....	Marion.....	Williamson.....
458	Blazing Star.....	Crab Orchard.....	Williamson.....
487	Andrew Jackson.....	Corinth.....	Williamson.....
693	Herrins Prairie.....	Herrin.....	Williamson.....
719	Chapel Hill.....	Wolf Creek.....	Williamson.....
729	Lake Creek.....	Johnston City.....	Williamson.....
802	Williamson.....	Cartersville.....	Williamson.....
817	Creal Springs.....	Creal Springs.....	Williamson.....

W. D. Abney, D. D. G. M., Marion.

FORTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

NO	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
150	Vienna.....	Vienna.....	Johnson.....
336	New Columbia.....	Ganntown.....	Johnson.....
339	Saline.....	Goreville.....	Johnson.....
419	Reynoldsburg.....	Tunnel Hill.....	Johnson.....
772	New Burnside.....	New Burnside.....	Johnson.....
778	Gurney.....	Grantsburg.....	Johnson.....
822	Belknap.....	Belknap.....	Johnson.....
111	Jonesboro.....	Jonesboro.....	Union.....
466	Cobden.....	Cobden.....	Union.....
520	Anna.....	Anna.....	Union.....
581	Dongola.....	Dongola.....	Union.....
627	Union.....	Lick Creek.....	Union.....
840	Alto Pass.....	Alto Pass.....	Union.....
237	Cairo.....	Cairo.....	Alexander.....

C. H. Thompson, D. D. G. M., Cairo.

FIFTIETH DISTRICT.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.
276	Elizabeth.....	Elizabethtown.....	Hardin.....
444	Cave-in-Rock.....	Cave-in-Rock.....	Hardin.....
794	Tadmor.....	Karber's Ridge.....	Hardin.....
131	Golconda.....	Golconda.....	Pope.....
672	Eddyville.....	Eddyville.....	Pope.....
701	Temple Hill.....	Temple Hill.....	Pope.....
771	Bay City.....	Hamlettsburg.....	Pope.....
91	Metropolis.....	Metropolis.....	Massac.....
232	Farmers.....	Brookport.....	Massac.....
47	Caledonia.....	Olmsted.....	Pulaski.....
660	Grand Chain.....	Grand Chain.....	Pulaski.....
562	Trinity.....	Mound City.....	Pulaski.....

J. K. West, D. D. G. M., Brookport.

DEFUNCT LODGES.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.	CHARTERED.	BECAME DEF'T	REMARKS.
5	Far West.....	Galena.....	Jo Daviess.....	April 29, 1840.	.....	Charter was never issued.
6	Columbus.....	Columbus.....	Adams.....	April 29, 1840.	1845-6.	Surrendered.
10	Joliet.....	Joliet.....	Will.....	Oct. 5, 1841.	Oct. 15, 1845.	Revoked.
11	Cass.....	Virginia.....	Cass.....	Oct. 4, 1842.	.....	Rescinded and continued U. D.
12	Rising Sun.....	Montrose.....	Iowa*.....	Oct. 3, 1843.	.....	Suspended.
18	La Fayette.....	Chicago.....	Cook.....	Oct. 2, 1843.	Oct. 1864.	Arrested.
21	Warsaw.....	Warsaw.....	Hancock.....	Oct. 2, 1843.	.....	Surrendered
22	Milwaukee.....	Milwaukee.....	Wisconsin*.....	Oct. 2, 1843.	May 9, 1847.	Transferred to jurisdiction of Wisconsin
25	Hiram.....	Henderson.....	Knox.....	Oct. 7, 1844.	March 22, 1902.	Arrested.
26	Monroe.....	Waterloo.....	Monroe.....	Oct. 7, 1844.	1874-5.	Arrested.
30	Morning Star.....	Canton.....	Fulton.....	Oct. 6, 1845.	July 1875.	Arrested.
32	Apollo.....	Chicago.....	Cook.....	Oct. 6, 1845.	Oct. 1848.	Surrendered
41	Far West.....	Galena.....	Jo Daviess.....	Oct. 8, 1846.	Oct. 6, 1852.	Forfeited.
54	Reclamation.....	Nauvoo.....	Hancock.....	Oct. 2, 1848.	July 5, 1882.	Surrendered.
56	Pittsfield.....	Pittsfield.....	Pike.....	Oct. 2, 1848.	Oct. 27, 1886.	Forfeited.
62	Jerusalem.....	Oregon.....	Ogle.....	Oct. 3, 1848.	Oct. 4, 1853.	Forfeited.
68	Naples.....	Naples.....	Scott.....	Oct. 2, 1849.	Sept. 16, 1892.	Arrested.
70	Social.....	Hennepin.....	Putnam.....	Oct. 1849.	Jan. 23, 1889.	Surrendered
73	Batavia.....	Batavia.....	Kane.....	Oct. 1849.	.....	Surrendered
82	Metamora.....	Metamora.....	Woodford.....	Oct. 8, 1850.	1884-85.	Surrendered
83	Iroquois.....	Middleport.....	Iroquois.....	Oct. 8, 1850.	1862-63.	Surrendered
94	Morning Sun.....	Jerseyville.....	Jersey.....	Oct. 8, 1850.	1861-62.	Surrendered
101	Madison.....	Upper Alton.....	Madison.....	Oct. 6, 1851.	.....	No record.
107	Fayette.....	Fayette.....	Greene.....	Oct. 6, 1851.	Aug. 16, 1875.	Arrested.
130	Jacksonville.....	Jacksonville.....	Morgan.....	Oct. 5, 1852.	.....	No record.
121	Catatract.....	St. Anthony's Falls.....	Minnesota.....	Oct. 5, 1852.	.....	Transferred to jurisdiction of Minnesota.
162	Westfield.....	Westfield.....	Clark.....	Oct. 5, 1855.	.....	Surrendered
164	Weswego.....	Oswego.....	Keokuk.....	Oct. 5, 1855.	Dec. 20, 1894.	Surrendered
181	Moultrie.....	Milvan.....	Moultrie.....	Oct. 5, 1855.	Feb. 7, 1859.	Arrested.
184	Nebraska.....	Belle View.....	Nebraska*.....	Oct. 5, 1855.	May 5, 1879.	Arrested.
186	Fort Armstrong.....	Rock Island.....	Rock Island.....	Oct. 6, 1856.	March 9, 1863.	Transferred to jurisdiction of Nebraska.
191	Xenia.....	Xenia.....	Clara.....	Oct. 9, 1856.	July 27, 871.	Consolidated with Trio No. 37.
198	Grand View.....	Grand View.....	Edgar.....	Oct. 6, 1856.	Feb. 9, 1889.	Surrendered
202	Sterling.....	Stirling.....	Whiteside.....	Oct. 6, 1856.	.....	Annulled.
215	Weir.....	Six Mile.....	Madison.....	Oct. 7, 1856.	1861-2.	Surrendered
223	Keeney.....	Edgington.....	Rock Island.....	Oct. 8, 1856.	Jan. 12, 1889.	Arrested.
224	Mt. Pleasant.....	.....	De Witt.....	Oct. 8, 1856.	1870-71.	No record.
			{ St. Anna			
			{ Farmer City			
225	Owisco.....	.....	Kankakee.....	Oct. 8, 1856.	1862-63.	Surrendered

243	Aegis	Annawan	Henry	Oct. 8, 1857	May 13, 1859	Arrested
256	Algonquin	Algonquin	McHenry	Oct. 6, 1858	Jan. 21, 1880	Surrendered
258	Bonus	Bonus	Boone	Oct. 6, 1865		
259	Chemung	Chemung	McHenry	Oct. 6, 1858	Aug. 26, 1885	Surrendered
281	New Berlin	New Berlin	Sangamon	Oct. 6, 1858	1874	1895
281	Martinsville	Martinsville	Clark	Oct. 6, 1858	1865	1874
283	Alton	Alton	Madison	Oct. 6, 1858	May 4, 1874	Consolidated with Piassa No. 27
289	Iroquois	Middleport	Iroquois	Oct. 7, 1858	1860	No record
290	Cache	Mound City	Pulaski	Oct. 7, 1858	1875	No record
299	Mechanicsburg	Mechanicsburg	Sangamon	Oct. 5, 1859	March 20, 1897	Arrested
300	Hanover	Hanover	Jo Daviess	Oct. 5, 1859	Jan. 7, 1887	Surrendered
315	Ot ment.	Utica	La Salle	Oct. 5, 1859	1883	Surrendered
317	New Liberty	Alton	Madison	Oct. 5, 1859	Sept. 19, 1901	Consolidated with Piassa No. 27 as Piassa No. 27
324	Waukegan	New Liberty	Pope	Oct. 5, 1859	Sept. 10, 1879	Arrested
326	Chemung	Waukegan	Lake	Oct. 5, 1859	Feb. 5, 1864	Consolidated with Union No. 78 as Waukegan No. 78
326	Chemung	Chemung	McHenry	Oct. 5, 1859	Dec. 23, 1861	Consolidated with Bonus No. 258 as Chemung No. 258
328	Grafton	Huntley	McHenry	Oct. 5, 1859	April 11, 1884	Surrendered
329	Durham	Durham	Hancock	Oct. 2, 1860	1868-69	Surrendered
338	Grand Detour	Grand Detour	Ogle	Oct. 2, 1860	1877-78	Arrested
343	Arcturus	Polo	Ogle	Oct. 2, 1860	1863	No record
357	Eddy	Kingston	Peoria	Oct. 2, 1860	1869	No record
370	Middleton	Middleton	Wayne	Oct. 8, 1862	April 19, 1878	Consolidated with Bell Rive No. 696
372	Galesburg	Galesburg	Knox	Oct. 8, 1862	Dec. 16, 1880	Surrendered
375	Isaac Underhill	Secor	Woodford	Oct. 8, 1862	1874	No record
376	Ash Grove	Ash Grove	Iroquois	Oct. 8, 1862	1869	No record
377	Archimedes	Belleville	St. Clair	Oct. 8, 1863	April 8, 1859	Consolidated with St. Clair Lodge No. 24
381	M. R. Thompson	Freeport	Stephenson	Oct. 2, 1863	Jan. 7, 1890	Consolidated with Excelsior Lodge No. 97
387	Greenbush	Greenbush	Warren	Oct. 8, 1863	May 28, 1889	Arrested
395	Youngstown	Youngstown	Bureau	Oct. 8, 1864	May 26, 1880	Surrendered
400	H. G. Reynolds	Whitefield	Knox	Oct. 5, 1864	March 24, 1896	Consolidated with Knoxville No. 66 as Pacific No. 66
407	Blue Grass	Knoxville	Vermilion	Oct. 5, 1864	April 12, 1882	Arrested
		Blue Grass				
		Marysville				
413	Forreston	Forreston	Ogle	Oct. 5, 1864	Dec. 4, 1876	Consolidated with S. H. Davis Lodge No. 96
42	Kaneville	Kaneville	Kane	Oct. 4, 1865	July, 1888	Surrendered
435	Neponset	Neponset	Bureau	Oct. 4, 1865	July 12, 1881	Surrendered
438	H. W. Bigelow	Chicago	Cook	Oct. 4, 1865	March 27, 1875	Surrendered
439	Lure	Quincy	Adams	Oct. 4, 1865	Jan. 17, 1859	Surrendered
452	Grant	Richview	Washington	Oct. 4, 1865	Jan. 21, 1887	Surrendered
457	Moscow	Moscow	Union	Oct. 4, 1865	July 9, 1898	Arrested
459	Butler	Butler	Montgomery	Oct. 3, 1866	May 18, 1887	Surrendered
480	Lincoln	Lincoln	Logan	Oct. 3, 1866	Sept. 26, 1869	Consolidated with Lincoln No. 210 as Logan No. 210
483	Belle City	Belle City	Hamilton	Oct. 3, 1866	March 27, 1880	Arrested
494	Bath	Bath	Mason	Oct. 3, 1866	Dec. 19, 1895	Surrendered
499	Mt. Zion	Mt. Zion	Macon	Oct. 3, 1866	1874-75	Consolidated with Ionic Lodge No. 312
507	Manteno	Manteno	Kankakee	Oct. 3, 1866	March 14, 1878	Arrested
511	Clintonville	South Elgin	Kane	Oct. 3, 1866	April 7, 1897	Consolidated with Elgin Lodge No. 117
513	Cold Spring	Cold Spring	Shelby	Oct. 1, 1867	July 27, 1882	Arrested

DEFUNCT LODGES.—CONTINUED.

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.	CHARTERED.	BECAME DEF'T	REMARKS.
515	Dement.	Dement.	Ogle.	Oct. 1, 1867.	Jan. 25, 1886.	Consolidated with Malta No. 320 as Creston No. 320
545	Elkhart.	Elkhart.	Logan.	Oct. 1, 1867.	Feb. 21, 1887.	Surrendered.
546	Nilwood.	Nilwood.	Macoupin.	Oct. 1, 1867.	1876-77.	Surrendered.
548	Apple River.	Apple River.	Jo Daviess.	Oct. 1, 1867.	March 4, 1888.	Arrested.
549	Newark.	Darwin.	Kendall.	Oct. 1, 1867.	1884-5.	Surrendered.
551	Darwin.	Darwin.	Clark.	Oct. 1, 1867.	Aug. 25, 1887.	Surrendered.
553	Kyle.	Macomb.	McDonough.	Oct. 1, 1867.	1876-77.	Surrendered.
561	Trinity.	Monmouth.	Warren.	Oct. 1, 1867.	Jan. 28, 1886.	Surrendered.
563	Hamilton.	Otterville.	Jers-y	Oct. 1, 1867.	Feb. 23, 1874.	Consolidated with Cairo Lodge No. 237.
568	Delta.	Cairo.	Alexander.	Oct. 1, 1867.	1869.	Surrendered.
571	Owisco.	Kankakee.	Kankakee.	Oct. 1, 1867.	May 15, 1897.	Surrendered.
579	Elbridge.	Ferrell.	Edgar.	Oct. 6, 1868.	1874-75.	Consolidated with Delavan Lodge No. 156.
586	Tazewell.	Delevan.	Tazewell.	Oct. 6, 1868.	1874-75.	Surrendered.
589	Elwood.	Humbolt.	Coles.	Oct. 6, 1868.	July 18, 1891.	Surrendered.
593	W. M. Egan.	Jefferson.	Cook.	Oct. 6, 1868.	Aug. 1872.	Arrested.
594	Lodi.	Lodi.	Kane.	Oct. 6, 1868.	April 19, 1876.	Surrendered.
596	National.	Chicago.	Cook.	Oct. 6, 1868.	March 13, 1894.	Arrested.
597	Lostant.	Lostant.	LaSalle.	Oct. 6, 1868.	Jan. 14, 1888.	Surrendered.
598	Dorchester.	Dorchester.	Macoupin.	Oct. 6, 1868.	Oct. 29, 1884.	Surrendered.
599	Fowler.	Fowler.	Adams.	Oct. 6, 1868.	Feb. 24, 1879.	Surrendered.
606	Allen.	Allen.	McLean.	Oct. 6, 1868.	May 5, 1886.	Arrested.
606	Wapella.	Wapella.	DeWitt.	Oct. 6, 1868.	May 26, 1874.	Surrendered.
615	Anchor.	Mason City.	Mason.	Oct. 5, 1869.	1874-75.	Consolidated with Mason City Lodge No. 463.
619	Brock.	Cameron.	Warren.	Oct. 5, 1869.	July 11, 1905.	Arrested.
621	Venice.	Venice.	Madison.	Oct. 5, 1869.	Aug. 21, 1886.	Surrendered.
624	Dubois.	Dubois.	Washington.	Oct. 5, 1869.	Sept. 1883.	Surrendered.
625	Melrose.	Melrose.	Clair.	Oct. 5, 1869.	May 4, 1877.	Arrested.
626	Putnam.	Granville.	Putnam.	Oct. 5, 1869.	Aug. 29, 1871.	No record.
628	Mosaic.	Hudson.	McLean.	Oct. 5, 1869.	Aug. 21, 1882.	Arrested.
629	Old Time.	Havana.	Mason.	Oct. 5, 1869.	Feb. 14, 1877.	Consolidated with Havana Lodge No. 88.
637	Burlington.	Burlington.	Kane.	Oct. 6, 1869.	Dec. 21, 1876.	Surrendered.
638	Fortitude.	Sagetown.	Henderson.	Oct. 6, 1869.	March 10, 1884.	Arrested.
640	Coleta.	Coleta.	Whiteside.	Jan. 7, 1870.	1874.	No record.
640	Hinsdale.	Hinsdale.	DuPage.	Oct. 4, 1870.	Feb. 16, 1895.	Arrested.
650	Irvington.	Irvington.	Washington.	Oct. 4, 1870.	Aug. 31, 1891.	Surrendered.
652	Polar Star.	Mulkeytown.	Franklin.	Oct. 4, 1870.	Aug. 1, 1888.	Arrested.
654	Woodford.	Woodford.	Woodford.	Oct. 4, 1870.	March 5, 1877.	Surrendered.
661	Bethesda.	Coroti.	Livingston.	Oct. 5, 1871.	March 1, 1886.	Arrested.
661	Phenix.	Mapleton.	McLean.	Oct. 3, 1871.	Feb. 12, 1901.	Arrested.
683	Phenix.	Peoria.	Peoria.	Oct. 3, 1871.	Feb. 12, 1901.	Arrested.

671 Farina	Farina	Marion	Oct. 3, 1871	April 1, 1880	Surrendered.
678 Sheffield	Sheffield	Greene	Oct. 3, 1871	May 20, 1886	Arrested
680 Advance	Rockbridge	Henry	Oct. 1, 1872	Nov. 28, 1876	Surrendered.
684 Center	Gaiva	Christian	Oct. 1, 1872	Jan. 14, 1887	Surrendered.
698 Libanus	Rosemond	Christian	Oct. 7, 1873	Sept. 21, 1875	Arrested
703 St. Andrews	Chicago	Cook	Oct. 8, 1873	March 20, 1885	Surrendered
707 Circle	Mattoon	Coles	Oct. 8, 1873	April 23, 1896	Consolidated with Mattoon Lodge No. 300.
708 Lemont	Lemont	Cook	Oct. 8, 1873	Sept. 7, 1897	Surrendered.
720 Varna	Varna	Marshall	Oct. 7, 1874	May 13, 1882	Surrendered.
736 Dennison	Dennison	Clark	Oct. 3, 1876	Dec. 22, 1888	Surrendered
740 Grant Park	McKeen	Kankakee	Oct. 3, 1876	May 15, 1895	Surrendered.
753 Cornell	Grant Park	Livingston	Oct. 2, 1877	Sept. 1, 1888	Arrested.
760 Bellflower	Bellflower	McLean	Oct. 3, 1881	July 13, 1886	Surrendered
776 Omega	Charleston	Coles	Oct. 6, 1881	Dec. 9, 1889	Consolidated with Charleston Lodge No. 35.
781 Colchester	Colchester	McDonough	Oct. 6, 1886	Jan. 21, 1902	Consolidated with Tennessee Lodge No. 496 as Colchester Lodge, No. 496
828 Trinity	Mound City	Pulaski	Oct. 4, 1893	Jan. 1, 1896	Consol'd with Villa Ridge, No. 562 as Trinity No. 562
783 Stanford	Stanford	McLean	Oct. 3, 1898	April 30, 1903	Surrendered.
714 Newtown	Collison	Vermilion	Oct. 7, 1874		Consolidated with Hopewell No. 844 as Collison
844 Hopewell	Hope	Vermilion	Oct. 30, 1895		Consolidated with Newtown No. 714 as Collison

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†Constituted; no date given when chartered.

‡Records cease.

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Lodge No.....	NAME	POSTOFFICE	COUNTY	INCREASE		Total Increase...	DECREASE					Total Decrease..	Present Member- ship 1910	Dues 1910	Rejections	Initiations	Passed	Member's resid- ing in Illinois..	Membr's residing outside of Illinois	Con. to Memb'rs, their widows and orphans...	Contributed to those not Mem- bers.....	Con. to Illinois Masonic Org- ans' Home.....
				Membership 1909....	Add for er- ror.....		Raised	Reinstated..	Admitted	Ded. for er- ror	Suspended ...												Expelled .....	Dimitted .....	Died .....
165	Winchester	Winchester...	Scott	62									64	57 00				57	1	100 00	5 00	
166	Lancaster	Glasford	Florida	110									106	95 40	1			105	3	100 00		
168	Versailles	Versailles	Brown	59									61	54 00				58	3			
169	Trenton	Trenton	Clinton	46									51	45 00				48	3			
110	Lebanon	Lebanon	St. Clair	48									51	45 00				41	10			
111	Jonesboro	Jonesboro	Union	61									68	47 70	3			60	8	38 50	10 00	
112	Bureau	Princeton	Bureau	59									52	47 70				49	4			
113	Robert Burns	Reitinsburg	Mercer	70									94	84 00				72	22	60 00	5 00	
114	Marcelline	Marcelline	Adams	57									45	50 40	1			1	1	13 00		
115	Rising Sun	Gray's Lake	Lake	93									95	85 50	1			1	1	85 00	2 00	
116	Vermont	Vermont	Fulton	51									57	51 30				1	1	55 00		
117	Pugin	Pugin	Madison	307									333	299 70	3			300	31			
118	Waverly	Waverly	Morgan	92									90	81 00	1			1	1	10 00		
119	Henry	Henry	Marshall	70									78	70 20				75	5			
122	Mound	Wrayville	Christian	147									148	133 20	1			143	5			
123	Oquawka	Oquawka	Henderson	150									63	56 70	1			51	12			
124	Gedat	Morris	Grundy	150									140	144 00	2			146	12			
125	Greenup	Greenup	Chamberland	149									153	147 70	1			151	4			
126	Appleton	Appleton	Tazewell	170									171	107 10	1			115	4			
127	Arden	Arden	Madison	170									171	147 80				170	5			
128	Raleigh	Raleigh	Salem	47									52	47 40				47	5			
129	Greenfield	Greenfield	Greene	72									75	72 40				70	5			
130	Marion	Marion	Greene	125									137	123 30	2			126	12			
131	Gokonda	Gokonda	Madison	61									60	172 00				61	1			
132	Marshall	Marshall	Tazewell	50									55	49 50				54	10			
133	Marshall	Marshall	Clark	101									103	92 70	2			100	23			
134	Sycamore	Sycamore	DeKalb	170									176	161 00				154	25			
135	Lima	Lima	Adams	60									54	48 60				48	10			
136	Hutsonville	Hutsonville	Crawford	28									24	35 30				18	10			
137	Polk	McLeansboro	Hamilton	64									101	90 00				87	14	30 25	2 00	
138	Marengo	Marengo	Hamilton	81									81	73 80				70	11			
139	Geneva	Geneva	Kane	70									82	73 80				74	8			
140	Olney	Olney	Richland	68									104	93 60	3			87	17			
141	Garden City	Chicago	Cook	1319									1376	1238 40	5			981	101	1050 00	135 95	10 00

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				Add for er-ror	Raised	Reinstated...	Admitted		Ded. for er-ror	Suspended...	Expelled	Dimitted	Died													
196	W. S. Will	Leasville	Clay	1	7	1	2	10	4	1	1	1	1	4	68.40	1	8	6	5	71	5	.....	.....	.....
197	King Solomon's	Kane	Greene	1	2	1	1	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50.40	1	2	2	4	92	5	.....	5.00	.....	
199	Home	Home	Champaign	1	1	1	1	4	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	37.30	.....	.....	.....	40	4	.....	80.00	.....	.....
200	Sheba	Grayville	White	1	15	1	13	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	47.70	.....	.....	.....	11	180	43	.....	57.15	.....	.....
201	Centralia	Centralia	Marion	5	3	.....	2	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200.70	.....	.....	.....	14	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
203	Lavely	Williamsville	Sangamon	.....	3	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	63.90	.....	.....	.....	4	64	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
204	Flora	Flora	Clay	.....	2	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80.72	.....	.....	.....	3	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
205	Corinthian	Paw Paw	Lee	.....	1	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	58.50	.....	.....	.....	3	65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
206	Fairfield	Fairfield	Wayne	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	72.00	.....	.....	.....	3	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
207	Tamaroa	Tamaroa	Perry	.....	2	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	126.90	.....	.....	.....	1	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
208	Wilmingon	Wilmingon	Will	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	45.90	.....	.....	.....	1	42	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
209	Wm. B. Warren	Chicago	Cook	.....	3	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	85.50	.....	.....	.....	5	86	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
210	Logan	Lincoln	Logan	.....	46	.....	.....	51	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	410.40	.....	.....	.....	44	105	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
211	Cleveland	Chicago	Cook	.....	63	.....	.....	67	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	579.60	.....	.....	.....	12	166	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
212	Shipman	Shipman	Cook	.....	6	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	44.10	.....	.....	.....	1	42	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
213	Ipava	Ipava	Fulton	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	79.20	.....	.....	.....	1	73	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
214	Gillespie	Gillespie	Macoupin	.....	8	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	69.30	.....	.....	.....	2	85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
216	Newton	Newton	Macoupin	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80.10	.....	.....	.....	1	89	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
217	Mason	Mason	Jasper	.....	3	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	47.70	.....	.....	.....	1	45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
218	New Salem	New Salem	Pike	.....	3	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	32.40	.....	.....	.....	1	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
219	Oakland	Oakland	Coles	.....	4	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	105.30	.....	.....	.....	2	44	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
220	Mahomet	Mahomet	Coles	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	39.60	.....	.....	.....	1	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
221	Leroy	Leroy	Champaign	.....	2	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	74.42	.....	.....	.....	2	42	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
222	Geo. Washington	Leroy	Peoria	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	103.50	.....	.....	.....	1	69	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
226	Pana	Pana	McLean	.....	16	.....	.....	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	194.40	.....	.....	.....	6	110	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
227	Columbus	Columbus	Christian	.....	2	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24.30	.....	.....	.....	1	27	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
228	Lovington	Lovington	Adams	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	91.80	.....	.....	.....	1	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
229	Manchester	Manchester	Moultrie	.....	5	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	38.70	.....	.....	.....	2	43	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
230	New Haven	New Haven	Scott	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	44.10	.....	.....	.....	1	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
231	Wyanet	Wyanet	Gallatin	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	67.50	.....	.....	.....	1	43	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
232	Farmers	Farmers	Bureau	.....	2	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	89.10	.....	.....	.....	1	49	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
233	Blandinsville	Blandinsville	Massac	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	111.09	.....	.....	.....	1	65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
234	Duquoin	Duquoin	McDonough	.....	3	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	89.90	.....	.....	.....	1	95	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
235	Dallas City	Dallas City	Perry	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	72.00	.....	.....	.....	1	42	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
235	Dallas City	Dallas City	Hancock	.....	2	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	73	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

236	Charter Oak.....	103		3	1	5		1	2	3	105	94	20	85	26	75
237	Cairo.....	197		10	2	13		1		1	202	181	80	4	60	
238	Alexander.....	61		2	1	3		1		1	63	56	70	10	55	
239	Black Hawk.....	150		21	1	26		1		6	166	149	40	27	190	
240	Wabash.....	309		35	5	40		3	4	4	342	307	80	34	34	
241	Champaign.....	153		12	2	18		3	4	4	167	150	30	9	144	
242	Carbondale.....	138		5	2	6		6	1	2	136	122	40	3	23	3 50
243	Shelbina.....	113		2	1	3		1		1	115	103	50	7	123	
244	Galva.....	97		8	11	11		3	1	1	104	93	60	3	106	
245	Horton.....	98		11	3	16		3	1	4	104	99	60	10	14	10 00
246	Greenville.....	98		11	3	16		3	1	4	104	99	60	10	14	10 00
247	El Paso.....	56		8	1	9		3	2	12	61	54	90	8	86	18
248	Woodford.....	98		11	3	16		3	1	4	104	99	60	10	14	10 00
249	Minook.....	56		8	1	9		3	2	12	61	54	90	8	86	18
250	Rob Morris.....	98		11	3	16		3	1	4	104	99	60	10	14	10 00
251	Golden Gate.....	98		11	3	16		3	1	4	104	99	60	10	14	10 00
252	Prairie City.....	47		1		2		1		1	33	56	70	1	11	5 00
253	Briggsville.....	113		18	3	21		1		1	133	119	70	16	15	33 13
254	Robinson.....	93		6	1	9		4	1	1	86	85	50	11	11	8 81
255	McLean.....	142		7	2	9		4	1	2	142	127	80	4	134	10 00
256	Heyworth.....	44		2	1	3		3	4	4	39	60		3	25	
257	Aledo.....	252		26	5	31		4	7	4	311	278	10	24	279	
258	Avon.....	287		3	1	4		1		2	42	37	60	4	36	10 00
259	Aurora.....	39		3	1	4		1		2	64	57	60	3	49	17 55
260	Donelson.....	62		1	1	4		2		2	282	253	80	20	22	44 00
261	Warsaw.....	253		1	26	9		3	4	4	43	38	70	5	41	5 00
262	Mattoon.....	40		3	1	4		1		1	57	51	30	4	2	10 00
263	De Witt.....	40		3	1	4		1		1	57	51	30	4	2	10 00
264	Channahon.....	58		42	3	56		7		2	16	423	380	70	42	385
265	Peoria.....	383		1	2	2		1		1	34	30	60	5	1	27 7
266	Franklin Grove.....	33		1	1	1		1		1	41	44	10	1	1	4 8
267	Indianola.....	51		1	1	1		1		1	50	45	00	3	2	3 00
268	Vermilion.....	45		2	3	3		2		3	47	42	30	3	2	4 6
269	Fairweather.....	49		2	2	2		1		1	50	45	00	3	2	4 6
270	Adams.....	199		13	1	16		7	4	4	124	111	60	17	17	111 33
271	La Prairie.....	109		17	1	20		3	2	2	28	25	20	33	30	20 00
272	Paris.....	31		29	1	2		1		1	124	111	60	17	17	111 33
273	Wheaton.....	88		13	2	15		2		2	158	142	20	14	14	133 26
274	Levi Lusk.....	211		29	1	29		1		1	178	78	30	1	3	73 50
275	Chicago.....	88		13	2	15		2		2	158	142	20	14	14	133 26
276	Carmi.....	150		13	2	15		2		2	158	142	20	14	14	133 26
277	Miners.....	64		4	1	1		1		1	60	54	00	3	2	5 00
278	Byron.....	59		2	1	1		1		1	60	54	00	3	2	5 00
279	Milton.....	29		3	1	3		1		1	32	28	80	3	3	5 00
280	Elizabeth.....	103		17	1	17		6		3	171	153	90	21	16	165 6
281	Accordia.....	141		5	2	7		3		3	145	130	50	5	5	48 25
282	Jo Daviess.....	279		1	7	2		3		3	97	87	30	1	3	27 00
283	Neoga.....	59		5	2	7		2		2	105	58	50	5	5	5 00
284	Kansas.....	59		5	2	7		2		2	105	58	50	5	5	5 00
285	Edgar.....	97		4	1	5		1		1	68	88	20	7	5	10 00
286	Brooklyn.....	97		4	1	5		1		1	68	88	20	7	5	10 00
287	Compton.....	102		16	1	18		5		6	114	102	60	20	107	
288	DeKalb.....	67		7	6	7		3		3	66	59	40	7	7	5 00
289	Vermilion.....	120		3	2	5		1		1	121	108	90	8	7	60 00
290	Cathin.....	100		3	2	5		1		1	99	89	10	4	5	03 6
291	De Soto.....	39		1	1	1		1		1	38	34	20	4	30	5 00
292	Genoa.....	100		3	2	5		1		1	99	89	10	4	5	03 6
293	DeKalb.....	100		3	2	5		1		1	99	89	10	4	5	03 6
294	Wataga.....	39		1	1	1		1		1	38	34	20	4	30	5 00

432	Murrayville.....	36	.....	7	1	1	7	.....	4	.....	39	35	10	15	12	38	1	5	5 00
433	Anawan.....	65	.....	4	2	.....	6	.....	2	.....	65	58	50	2	2	60	5	.....	5 00
434	Makanda.....	72	.....	4	2	.....	6	.....	2	.....	9	64	.....	7	4	64	4	.....	8 00
436	Port Byron.....	67	.....	4	.....	.....	4	.....	1	.....	6	57	0	1	4	66	4	.....	.....
437	Chicago.....	522	.....	26	4	1	31	.....	2	.....	9	488	70	10	25	494	49	150	50 00
440	Camargo.....	56	.....	4	1	.....	6	.....	2	.....	60	54	00	.....	5	49	11	.....	10 00
441	Sparland.....	49	.....	2	3	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	2	45	00	.....	17	82	11	.....	.....
442	Casey.....	76	.....	17	.....	.....	19	.....	1	.....	2	93	.....	2	14	17	.....	5 00	.....
443	Hampshire.....	92	.....	10	1	.....	11	.....	5	.....	6	89	80	10	6	41	12	.....	5 00
444	Cave-in-Rock.....	31	.....	10	1	.....	3	.....	1	.....	1	36	90	2	7	9	35	6	31 30
445	Chesterfield.....	40	.....	2	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	1	41	36	00	3	1	35	6	20 00
446	Waseka.....	143	.....	2	3	.....	5	.....	1	.....	1	140	.....	.....	3	2	128	17	.....
447	S. D. Monroe.....	26	3	.....	.....	.....	11	.....	2	.....	4	57	33	30	12	9	35	2	.....
448	Yates City.....	53	.....	8	.....	.....	9	.....	2	.....	1	58	52	20	13	9	53	2	.....
449	Mendon City.....	57	.....	9	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	2	58	53	10	4	3	45	14	.....
450	Loami.....	66	.....	2	.....	.....	2	.....	1	.....	66	59	40	.....	2	65	1	.....	.....
451	Bromwell.....	76	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	8	65	70	1	3	3	10	11	38 5 00
452	New Hartford.....	38	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	34	20	.....	3	3	33	5	25 00
454	Maroa.....	106	.....	4	1	.....	5	.....	2	.....	3	108	97	20	6	4	91	17	21 00
455	Irving.....	49	.....	3	1	.....	10	.....	1	.....	5	54	48	60	1	5	31	23	10 00
456	Nokomis.....	94	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	1	94	84	00	1	6	.....	.....	.....
458	Blazing Star.....	23	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	24	21	60	.....	5	24	.....	5 00	5 00
460	Jeffersonville.....	43	.....	1	1	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	45	40	50	.....	1	40	5	16	25 5 00
461	Plainview.....	28	.....	2	1	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	31	27	90	.....	3	27	4	25	00
462	Tremont.....	41	.....	3	1	.....	4	.....	3	.....	3	42	37	80	2	2	38	4	35 25
463	Palmyra.....	63	.....	4	.....	.....	4	.....	1	.....	66	59	40	1	4	4	58	8	.....
464	Denver.....	40	.....	2	.....	.....	2	.....	3	.....	38	34	20	.....	1	37	1	10	00
465	Huntsville.....	38	.....	7	.....	.....	7	.....	1	.....	61	54	90	.....	7	2	36	2	.....
466	Cobden.....	62	.....	2	.....	.....	2	.....	2	.....	3	88	20	.....	14	14	86	12	.....
467	South Macon.....	88	.....	14	1	.....	15	.....	2	.....	5	98	.....	.....	2	58	3	.....	10 00
468	Cheney's Grove.....	54	.....	2	.....	.....	2	.....	5	.....	6	51	00	.....	2	42	9	.....	14 00
469	McLean.....	88	.....	3	2	.....	5	.....	1	.....	3	83	74	70	4	2	72	11	30 00
470	Rantoul.....	82	.....	3	1	.....	3	.....	2	.....	1	89	79	20	1	4	18	11	40 00
471	Yorkville.....	87	.....	3	.....	.....	4	.....	1	.....	3	79	20	.....	2	78	11	40 00	15 00
472	Amity.....	101	.....	11	1	.....	12	.....	2	.....	4	109	98	10	14	12	98	11	5 00
473	Gordon.....	38	.....	2	.....	.....	2	.....	1	.....	2	38	34	20	.....	1	35	3	.....
474	Columbia.....	15	.....	3	1	.....	4	.....	1	.....	1	45	90	.....	5	3	44	7	10 00
475	Walshville.....	48	.....	5	.....	.....	5	.....	2	.....	11	17	00	.....	2	13	.....	5 00	.....
476	Manito.....	37	.....	5	.....	.....	5	.....	1	.....	1	41	36	90	1	5	39	2	10 00
477	Rutland.....	52	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	56	50	40	.....	3	51	5	10	50 00
478	Plelades.....	738	.....	69	2	4	75	.....	10	.....	21	792	712	80	80	697	95	954	29
479	Wyoming.....	103	.....	8	.....	.....	8	.....	1	.....	1	109	98	10	8	7	100	9	50 00
481	Momence.....	103	.....	6	.....	.....	6	.....	1	.....	2	109	60	30	1	4	51	18	42 85
482	Lexington.....	104	.....	8	1	.....	8	.....	2	.....	3	109	60	30	1	4	4	57	10 00
484	Edgewood.....	50	.....	6	2	.....	8	.....	2	.....	5	67	44	10	1	3	42	7	.....
485	Xenia.....	484	1	5	2	2	49	44	10	1	4	3	26	4
486	Bowen.....	28	.....	3	1	.....	3	.....	1	.....	1	55	49	50	.....	2	51	4	49 50
487	Andrew Jackson.....	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	1	.....	1	17	15	30	.....	2	17	.....	.....

528	Minooka	Grundy	1	2	6	2	1	1	4	54	48	60	5	49	10	00	
529	Adams	Adams	1	1	6	1	1	1	4	36	32	40	5	33	10	00	
530	Maquon	Knox	1	1	6	1	1	1	4	51	45	90	3	33	42	00	
531	Ashton	Lee	1	1	6	1	1	1	8	68	61	20	3	65	25	00	
532	Seneca	La Salle	1	1	6	1	1	1	8	58	52	20	4	60	50	00	
533	Altamont	Effingham	1	1	6	1	1	1	4	75	67	50	6	32	10	00	
534	Cuba	Fulton	2	2	6	2	2	2	4	63	56	70	11	48	5	00	
535	Sherman	Henry	2	2	6	2	2	2	4	118	106	20	2	117	101	42	
536	Plainfield	Will	1	1	6	1	1	1	4	49	44	10	4	44	5	00	
537	J. R. Gorlin	Champaign	1	1	6	1	1	1	4	125	112	50	6	110	110	00	
538	Lockport	Will	2	2	6	2	2	2	4	31	27	90	6	31	6	90	
539	Chatsworth	Livingston	3	3	6	3	3	3	6	25	22	50	3	23	148	85	
540	Oak Park	Cook	34	2	17	53	13	6	25	57	47	30	3	34	512	00	
541	Stewardson	Shelby	1	1	6	1	1	1	2	25	22	50	1	23	23	00	
542	Towanda	McLean	1	1	6	1	1	1	2	25	22	50	1	23	23	00	
543	Cordova	Rock Island	1	1	6	1	1	1	2	27	24	30	1	26	26	00	
544	Virginia	Cass	2	2	6	2	2	2	4	90	81	00	4	85	5	00	
545	Valley	Rock Island	1	1	6	1	1	1	2	62	56	70	2	62	15	00	
546	Sharon	Bureau	1	1	6	1	1	1	2	83	73	80	6	74	10	00	
547	Long Point	Bureau	1	1	6	1	1	1	2	118	118	80	7	111	25	00	
548	Plum River	Livingston	1	1	6	1	1	1	2	132	118	80	7	111	25	00	
549	Humboldt	Jo Daviess	13	2	15	8	1	2	5	135	121	50	18	16	126	9	
550	Dawson	La Salle	6	3	22	15	2	3	1	58	51	30	2	53	5	00	
551	Lessing	Sangamon	22	3	15	8	1	7	7	213	191	70	3	21	197	16	
552	Leland	Cook	6	3	15	8	1	3	6	45	40	50	6	5	37	8	
553	Thomson	La Salle	1	1	6	1	1	1	4	31	27	90	4	3	28	3	
554	Madison	Carroll	1	1	6	1	1	1	4	27	24	30	2	2	23	4	
555	Trinity	Madison	2	2	6	2	2	2	4	101	90	90	10	8	93	8	
556	New Douglas	Mound City	10	2	15	10	3	1	1	55	49	50	5	5	5	00	
557	Winslow	Pulaski	6	1	15	8	1	1	1	35	31	50	2	3	32	3	
558	Pleasant Hill	Stephenson	5	1	12	12	1	1	1	81	72	00	12	10	100	00	
559	Frankfort	Pike	11	1	12	12	1	1	3	55	49	50	2	5	4	00	
560	Time	Franklin	5	1	6	6	1	2	3	27	24	30	8	5	24	4	
561	Jacksonville	Pike	12	5	17	3	3	4	10	150	135	00	12	15	122	28	
562	Barclay	Morgan	3	1	17	3	1	2	3	49	45	00	2	2	15	00	
563	Gardner	McDonough	1	1	6	1	1	1	5	96	86	40	7	9	81	9	
564	Pera	Grundy	1	1	6	1	1	1	4	48	42	30	7	7	44	4	
565	Ludlow	Champaign	1	1	6	1	1	1	4	78	70	20	7	7	55	13	
566	Capron	Boone	1	1	6	1	1	1	3	58	52	00	7	7	65	13	
567	O'Fallon	St. Clair	1	1	6	1	1	1	3	65	58	50	4	4	15	00	
568	Viola	Mercer	1	1	6	1	1	1	3	43	38	70	1	1	5	00	
569	Prairie City	Effingham	1	1	6	1	1	1	3	39	35	10	4	4	36	4	
570	Hazel Dell	Hazel Dell	32	3	1	1	1	1	2	35	31	50	7	7	35	5	
571	Dongola	Union	1	1	6	1	1	1	3	42	37	80	4	4	40	2	
572	Shirley	McLean	2	2	6	2	2	2	4	53	47	70	4	4	4	00	
573	Highland	Shirley	3	1	3	3	1	1	1	3	42	37	80	4	4	40	2
574	Highland	McLean	53	3	1	1	1	1	3	53	47	70	4	4	4	00	
575	Vesper	Galesburg	207	12	2	16	9	7	4	203	182	70	13	12	166	37	
576	Fisher	Knox	35	2	2	2	2	2	1	36	32	40	3	3	3	00	
577	Princeton	Bureau	131	4	9	9	2	4	6	134	120	60	6	4	115	20	00

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Lodge No.....	NAME	POSTOFFICE	COUNTY	INCREASE				Total Increase...	DECREASE					Total Decrease..	Present Member-ship 1910	Dues 1910	Rejections	Initiations	Passed	Membr's resid- ing in Illinois..	Mem'r's residing outside of Illinois	Con. to Memb'r's, their widows and orphans...	Contributed to those not Mem- bers.....	Con. to Illinois Masonic Orphan- Home.....
				Add for error	Raised	Reinstated...	Admitted		Ded. for error	Suspended ...	Expelled	Dimitted	Died											
588	Troy	Troy	Madison	35	1	1	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	34	30 60	1	1	1	1	25	9	5 00		
590	Fairmount...	Fairmount.	Vermilion	72	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	69	62 10	6	1	1	5	69	12	10 00		
591	Gilman	Gilman.	Iroquois	75	7	1	1	9	1	1	1	1	1	81	72 90	1	1	1	5	81	12	7 50		
592	Fieldon...	Fieldon.	Jersey	29	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	27	24 30	1	1	1	1	25	1			
595	Miles Hart.	Gays	Montricie	61	10	1	1	11	1	1	1	1	1	58	52 20	1	1	1	1	51	1			
600	Cerro Gordo.	Cerro Gordo.	Platt	102	5	1	1	11	1	1	1	1	1	107	96 30	1	1	1	1	100	1			
601	Parma.	Parma.	Fayette	56	2	1	1	5	1	1	1	1	1	57	51 30	1	1	1	1	55	2			
602	Watson.	Watson.	Emingham	31	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	31	27 90	1	1	1	1	30	1			
603	Clark.	Martinsville.	Clark	109	3	1	1	11	1	1	1	1	1	116	104 40	1	1	1	1	102	14			
604	Hebron.	Hebron.	McHenry	70	13	1	1	14	1	1	1	1	1	120	103 00	1	1	1	1	120	12			
607	Streator.	Streator.	La Salle	237	5	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	232	208 80	1	1	1	1	220	12			
608	Sper.	Upper City	Ford	78	2	1	1	5	1	1	1	1	1	81	72 90	1	1	1	1	74	2			
609	Sheldon.	Sheldon.	Iroquois	95	2	1	1	5	1	1	1	1	1	94	84 60	1	1	1	1	92	2			
610	Union Park	Chicago.	Cook	956	23	5	1	90	1	1	1	1	1	1000	903 60	32	68	70	894	112	296 03			
611	Lincoln Park.	Chicago.	Cook	951	23	5	1	92	1	1	1	1	1	1000	903 60	32	68	70	894	112	296 03			
612	Rock River.	Sterling.	Whiteside	252	21	2	1	24	1	1	1	1	1	270	243 00	5	20	27	271	50	63 76			
613	Patoka.	Patoka.	Marion	90	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	92	85 80	1	1	1	1	91	5			
614	Forest.	Forrest.	Warrington	99	5	1	1	11	1	1	1	1	1	104	96 00	1	1	1	1	103	2			
616	Ward Hope.	Franklin	Madison	58	2	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	61	58 00	1	1	1	1	59	2			
617	Good Hope.	Food Hope.	Franklin	58	2	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	61	58 00	1	1	1	1	59	2			
618	Basco	Basco	MacDonough	95	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	17	18 30	1	1	1	1	16	1			
620	New Hope	Channahon	Hancock	21	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	24	21 00	1	1	1	1	23	1			
622	Hopedale.	Hopedale	Clark	57	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	28	27 00	1	1	1	1	27	1			
623	Locust.	Christian.	Warren	30	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	33	32 70	1	1	1	1	32	1			
627	Union.	Lick Creek	Union	22	4	1	1	7	1	1	1	1	1	30	27 00	1	1	1	1	29	1			
630	Tuscan	Wabole	Hamilton	55	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	58	52 30	1	1	1	1	57	1			
631	Norton	Cabery	Ford	52	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	49	44 10	1	1	1	1	48	1			
632	Ridge Farm.	Ridge Farm.	Vermilion	93	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	95	85 50	1	1	1	1	93	1			
633	E. F. W. Ellis	Rockford	Winnebago	164	16	1	1	17	1	1	1	1	1	176	158 40	1	1	1	1	155	21			
634	Buckley.	Buckley	Iroquois	118	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	118	116 30	1	1	1	1	117	1			
635	Peotone.	Peotone.	Sangamon	34	5	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	39	35 10	1	1	1	1	38	1			
636	Peotone.	Peotone.	Will	73	6	1	1	7	1	1	1	1	1	78	70 30	2	8	8	5	35	4			
639	Keystone.	Chicago.	Cook	390	70	4	1	75	1	1	1	1	1	455	409 50	17	65	67	420	26				
641	Comet.	Minier.	Tazewell	60	2	1	1	5	1	1	1	1	1	61	54 90	1	1	1	1	55	1			

642	Apollo.....	Cook.....	513	66	7	3	76	4	5	1	12	577	519	30	24	58	64	531	46	3	00	30	00		
643	D. C. Cregier.....	Chicago.....	557	38	2	1	40	1	8	14	105	524	50	10	28	36	536	47	304	03	155	35	35		
644	Obong City.....	Crawford.....	91	12	1	1	14	1	2	2	105	64	50	16	10	12	36	10	57	14	10	00	00		
645	San Jose.....	Macon.....	33	1	1	1	3	1	2	2	34	30	00	1	5	3	91	0	2	00	00	00	00		
646	Monmouth.....	De Kalb.....	97	6	2	2	11	1	5	10	101	90	00	1	0	0	65	3	17	75	10	00	00		
647	Buenaville.....	Edinburg.....	57	6	1	1	12	1	1	4	98	79	20	2	1	8	85	2	10	00	00	00	00		
648	Camden.....	Christian.....	93	11	1	1	12	1	2	79	77	08	1	2	5	4	75	13	10	00	00	00	00		
653	Atwood.....	Shutler.....	71	3	1	1	5	1	2	81	91	86	00	1	2	1	76	16	94	75	10	00	00		
653	Greenview.....	McHard.....	80	3	1	1	5	1	2	95	87	50	00	1	1	2	70	19	00	00	00	00	00		
656	Yorktown.....	Whiteside.....	97	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	95	76	00	1	1	2	21	2	60	00	1	00	00		
656	Mozart.....	McLean.....	97	1	1	1	1	1	1	23	20	70	00	1	1	2	20	2	60	00	1	00	00		
657	Lafayette.....	Bloomington.....	24	18	2	2	20	1	1	260	254	00	3	17	14	221	34	14	221	34	15	00	25	00	
658	Rock Island.....	Rock Island.....	247	11	4	4	17	1	2	286	257	40	1	13	13	237	49	13	237	49	121	00	1	00	
659	Lambert.....	Adam.....	275	11	2	2	14	1	4	32	28	80	2	2	2	25	7	25	7	25	7	10	00	00	
660	Grand Chain.....	Quincy.....	26	12	2	2	66	1	10	14	335	346	50	2	52	50	330	55	147	70	41	65	10	00	
662	South Park.....	Chicago.....	333	54	1	1	66	1	1	24	34	50	2	2	2	31	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
662	Mayo.....	Windsorwood.....	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	34	30	40	2	14	17	59	1	3	00	5	00	00	00	
665	Becher City.....	Becher City.....	33	19	1	1	19	1	2	66	50	40	2	2	2	17	59	1	3	00	5	00	00	00	
666	Crawford.....	Crawford.....	49	1	1	1	1	1	1	54	48	60	2	2	2	17	59	1	3	00	5	00	00	00	
667	Eaton.....	Whiteside.....	54	14	1	1	15	1	2	54	48	60	2	2	2	17	59	1	3	00	5	00	00	00	
668	Burr Prairie.....	White.....	47	17	1	1	17	1	3	60	54	00	3	13	12	56	4	56	4	3	00	1	00	00	
669	Herder.....	Chicago.....	256	17	1	1	17	1	1	267	240	30	3	21	14	52	15	215	60	110	80	10	00	00	
67	Fillmore.....	Fillmore.....	30	3	1	1	3	1	2	62	54	98	1	2	2	21	1	54	8	15	00	10	00	00	
672	Edenville.....	Edenville.....	78	3	1	1	3	1	1	31	27	90	1	1	1	21	1	21	1	15	00	10	00	00	
673	Normal.....	Normal.....	30	7	1	1	10	1	1	84	79	20	4	2	2	74	14	74	14	10	00	10	00	00	
674	Waldeck.....	Chicago.....	261	21	1	1	22	1	6	225	247	50	8	21	20	257	18	257	18	175	00	65	80	3	00
675	Parnee.....	Parnee.....	95	27	2	2	32	1	2	104	93	60	6	8	8	61	13	61	13	10	00	10	00	00	
676	A. O. Fay.....	Highland Park.....	202	28	4	4	32	2	2	229	206	10	15	25	24	196	33	24	196	33	172	09	10	00	00
677	Enfield.....	White.....	64	7	1	1	7	1	1	64	57	60	1	1	1	60	4	60	4	372	09	10	00	00	
679	Illinois City.....	Rock Island.....	81	7	1	1	7	1	1	90	81	00	1	1	1	79	11	79	11	3	00	2	00	00	00
680	Clément.....	Cleveland.....	62	3	1	1	3	1	1	63	55	80	1	1	1	61	2	61	2	15	00	5	00	00	00
681	Morrisonville.....	Morrisonville.....	77	4	1	1	4	1	1	81	72	00	4	5	5	6	89	3	6	15	00	5	00	00	00
682	Blue Mound.....	Blue Mound.....	93	4	1	1	4	1	3	7	92	80	4	4	4	6	89	3	6	15	00	5	00	00	00
683	Burnside.....	Hancock.....	83	6	1	1	8	1	4	87	78	30	4	8	8	75	12	75	12	15	00	5	00	00	00
684	Galatia.....	Burnside.....	52	5	1	1	5	1	1	55	48	60	4	4	4	52	3	52	3	15	00	5	00	00	00
685	Rio.....	Galatia.....	88	6	1	1	8	1	3	63	83	70	8	11	8	84	6	84	6	40	00	10	00	00	00
686	Garfield.....	Rio.....	776	55	4	4	63	11	6	32	807	724	50	8	53	58	720	87	545	12	181	70	00	00	00
687	Orangeville.....	Chicago.....	50	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	40	44	10	1	1	1	56	3	5	00	5	00	00	00	00
688	Orfordsville.....	Orfordsville.....	60	1	1	1	1	1	1	49	53	10	1	1	1	46	3	46	3	5	00	5	00	00	00
690	Englewood.....	Iroquois.....	869	22	3	3	30	1	17	870	783	00	9	25	27	754	116	754	116	5	00	5	00	00	00
691	lol.....	Cook.....	26	2	1	1	2	1	1	28	25	20	3	5	5	27	75	3	5	00	5	00	00	00	00
692	Raymond.....	Raymond.....	59	3	1	1	3	1	1	61	54	90	3	1	1	55	6	55	6	50	00	10	00	00	00
693	Herrin's Prairie.....	Herrin.....	134	2	1	1	18	1	1	147	132	30	8	17	16	142	9	142	9	5	00	5	00	00	00
694	Spiloh Hill.....	Campbell Hill.....	34	3	1	1	5	1	4	35	31	50	1	1	1	28	2	28	2	5	00	5	00	00	00
696	Belle Rive.....	Jefferson.....	38	3	2	2	10	1	4	46	41	40	1	1	1	44	2	44	2	5	00	5	00	00	00
697	Richard Cole.....	Chicago.....	452	31	3	3	34	1	5	18	468	421	20	15	44	34	422	46	1009	43	80	50	00	00	00
698	Hutton.....	Dion.....	51	6	1	1	6	1	1	50	45	00	1	1	1	4	4	4	4	25	00	25	00	00	00
700	Pleasant Plains.....	Pleasant Plains.....	70	6	1	1	9	1	1	76	67	50	1	1	1	5	5	5	5	25	00	25	00	00	00

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Lodge No.	NAME	POSTOFFICE	COUNTY	INCREASE					Total Increase...	DECREASE					Total Decrease..	Dues 1910	Present Membership 1910	Passed	Memb'p residing in Illinois..	Mem'rs residing outside of Illinois	Con. to Mem'rs, their widows and orphans...	Contributed to those not Mem'rs.	Con. to Illinois Masonic Orphan's Home....					
				Membership 1909....	Add for error	Raised	Reinstated...	Admitted		Ded. for error	Suspended...	Expelled	Dimitted	Died														
794	Ladnor.	Warber's Ridge	Hardin	27					1						1	27	24	30	1	26	1	100	1 00					
795	Myrtle.	Chicago.	Cook	265				6	34						3	5	264	60	30	27	58	30	100 00	51 25				
796	E. M. Husted.	Woodhouse.	Greene	67				1	3						3	1	66	30	1	27	1	0	10 00					
797	Normal Park.	Chicago.	Cook	574				9	67						0	1	565	60	1	59	59	83	2 00	25 00				
798	Sidell.	Chicago.	Cook	54				1	2						4	1	53	48	1	4	2	45						
799	Colfax.	Chicago.	Colfax	48				1	2						1	40	44	1	3	45	1	1174	81	244 95				
800	Kenwood.	Chicago.	Cook	679				12	61						16	6	642	60	3	47	622	92	1174 81	244 95				
801	Sangamon.	Fisher.	Cook	44				1	9						1	51	45	90	9	8	45	6		5 00				
802	Williamson.	Carterville	Williamson	98				1	11						1	2	107	96	30	9	103	4		27 00				
803	Neponset.	Chicago.	Cook	44				1	3						3	47	42	30	6	42	5	33	468	43	68 50			
804	Kenington.	Chicago.	Cook	259				1	28						3	118	106	20	28	27	246	33	468	43	68 50			
805	S. M. Dalzell.	Spring Valley	Bureau	113				1	7						1	56	49	50	9	105	13	10	5 00					
806	Nebo.	Nebo.	Pike	54				2	3						1	52	50	1	2	49	6		75 00	5 00				
807	Royal.	Macedonia	Nebo	35				5	5						4	68	61	20	5	36	11			5 00				
808	Cornland.	Cornland	Logan	68				2	5						1	66	60	30	4	38	9							
809	Gillham	Woburn.	Bond	38				4	7						1	40	36	00	6	38	2							
810	Tracy.	Chicago.	Cook	168				2	21						6	180	162	00	11	16	154	26	55 00	45 00	10 00			
811	Melvin.	Melvin.	Cook	55				4	3						2	58	52	30	4	2	49	9						
812	De Land.	De Land.	Piatt	30				1	2						2	29	27	00	2	2	27	3						
813	Humboldt Park.	Chicago.	Cook	499				2	76						9	562	505	80	74	508	54	993	32	74 95				
814	Ohio.	Ohio.	Bureau	22				4	1						4	21	18	90	21	173	14	203	00					
815	Lawn.	Chicago.	Cook	175				1	28						6	167	168	30	24	21	172	3	175 00	15 00				
816	Ridgeway.	Ridgeway.	Gallatin	39				2	1						6	41	40	50	2	42	5	68						
817	Creal Springs.	Creal Springs.	Williamson	63				1	11						3	71	63	90	3	71	38	15	155	60	68 35			
818	Ben Hur.	Chicago.	Cook	317				1	25						5	333	299	70	11	28	26	318	15	155	60	68 35		
819	Columbian.	Chicago.	Cook	375				1	43						6	381	366	30	11	41	387	20	304	70	74 90	20 00		
820	Henderson.	Kenney.	Cook	58				6	3						3	63	56	70	11	8	53	10						
821	New Canton.	New Canton.	Pike	61				1	1						2	59	53	10	4	11	57	2						
822	Belknap.	Belknap.	Johnson	70				1	13						1	62	55	80	3	18	135	2						
823	Pearl.	Pearl City.	Stephenson	60				2	1						2	61	59	00	3	20	18	32						
824	Grove.	Downers Grove	DuPage	140				1	19						2	157	141	30	3	18	135	2						
825	Arthur.	Arthur.	Douglas	61				3	10						2	64	60	00	5	9	62	7						
826	Mazon.	Mazon.	Grundy	79				3	3						3	79	71	10	3	72	7							
827	Sequoit.	Antioch.	Lake	79				6	6						3	82	73	80	1	4	75	1						

829	Edgar	Hume	Edgar	10	7	12	1	1	1	65	73	65	70	1	11	10	70	2	10 00	
830	Rockport	Rockport	Plater	2	1	3	1	1	1	53	54	48	60	3	3	2	47	3	10 00	
831	Hindlay	Hindlay	Nehy	2	1	3	1	1	1	80	90	81	60	3	6	2	10	19	5 00	
832	Harvey	Harvey	Cook	17	6	23	6	2	2	167	184	165	60	19	17	165	10	25 00		
833	Dean	Dean	Johnson	3	2	5	1	1	1	69	45	40	50	4	3	42	1	83 75		
834	T-jedo	T-jedo	Cumbers	4	2	5	1	1	1	72	71	68	40	3	4	75	6	25 00		
835	Tripe	Chicago	Cumbers	15	2	17	1	1	2	24	210	210	90	2	24	202	39	50 00		
836	Hindsboro	Hindsboro	Douglas	3	2	4	1	1	1	95	45	40	50	2	5	83	12	10 00		
837	Barly	Barly	Verger	5	2	4	1	1	1	155	139	50	50	2	20	16	141	85 00		
838	Berwyn	Berwyn	Cook	15	2	17	3	1	1	42	41	36	90	3	20	10	14	7 25		
839	Alto Pass	Alto Pass	Union	48	2	70	3	3	6	491	549	494	10	9	46	45	535	14	65 00	
840	Woolawn Park	Chicago	Cook	170	8	170	1	1	1	170	171	153	90	5	7	63	34	120 45		
841	Wid's	Chicago	Cook	393	22	17	4	5	11	4	20	43	31	70	5	28	26	385	124 96	
842	Par	Marion	Scott	4	1	4	1	1	1	55	49	50	50	3	4	4	40	35	35 00	
843	Marion	Marion	Scott	2	1	3	1	1	1	41	36	90	50	3	3	1	40	1	5 00	
844	Bluffs	Stoughton	Henderson	3	2	3	1	1	1	3	48	43	20	1	1	6	34	6	5 00	
845	Stoughton	Stoughton	Pulton	12	1	12	1	1	1	68	68	61	20	10	10	15	60	2	50 00	
846	London	London Mills	Ruford	48	2	11	1	2	8	550	500	40	50	9	46	46	148	48	83 80	
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850	Austin	Chicago	Cook	145	1	27	1	1	1	107	148	50	50	24	23	19	39	31	80 52 29	
851	Chicago Heights	Chicago Heights	St Clair	204	5	4	30	2	2	229	206	10	10	5	24	23	19	39	31	80 52 29
852	G. thic	St Louis	St Clair	204	5	4	30	2	2	229	206	10	10	5	24	23	19	39	31	80 52 29
853	atham	Latham	Logan	63	2	2	1	1	1	61	54	90	50	3	3	2	58	3	13 00	
854	Bri hon Park	Chicago	Cook	459	2	28	1	3	3	11	190	171	00	5	29	28	189	4	54 00	
855	Wes 4 Gate	Chicago	Cook	459	2	28	1	3	3	11	190	171	00	5	29	28	189	4	54 00	
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APPENDIX PART III

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGES

REPORT OF GRAND EXAMINERS

REPORT OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Chicago, October 14, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the Central Masonic Temple, on LaSalle avenue.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master.
 R. R. Jampolis, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
 H. C. Burnap, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
 R. H. Wheeler, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
 L. A. Goddard, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Secretary.
 Rev. J. W. Bailey, R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 J. Hamilton Lewis, as R.W. Grand Orator.
 N. J. Cary, W. Grand Pursuivant.
 A. W. West, W. Grand Marshal.
 James John, W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 Robert Fletcher, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 T. E. Gillespie, W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 W. H. Peak, W. Junior Grand Deacon.
 G. W. Hamilton, W. Grand Steward.
 E. W. Peterson, as W. Grand Steward.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Chicago on October 20, 1909, for the purpose of constituting Concord Lodge No. 917, A.F. and A.M.

Harry W. Harvey, as M.W. Grand Master.
 David D. King, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
 Robert R. Jampolis, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
 Ralph H. Wheeler, R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
 Adam Schmidt, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 Andrew McNally, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
 A. O. Novander, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 Edward W. Peterson, as R.W. Grand Orator.
 F. M. Conikshank, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
 M. Bales Iott, as W. Grand Marshal.
 Thos. G. Kerwin, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 Mark Taylor, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 Albert Roullier, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 H. M. Robinson, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

F. M. Avery, as W. Grand Steward.
 Olof Peterson, as W. Grand Steward.
 Christian Leverenz, as W. Grand Tyler.
 David C. Hibbott, as Master of the Oldest Lodge.
 Benjamin W. Croson, as Symbol Bearer.
 Nick M. Funk, as Symbol Bearer.
 George O. Marlott, as Symbol Bearer.
 Gustav C. Seyberlick, as Symbol Bearer.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Chicago on October 22, 1909, for the purpose of constituting Republic Lodge No. 914, A.F. and A.M.

Albert Roullier, as M.W. Grand Master.
 R. R. Jampolis, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
 Harry W. Harvey, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
 Ralph H. Wheeler, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
 W. A. Thompson, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 David D. King, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
 H. L. VanLoon, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 Elmer E. Beach, as R.W. Grand Orator.
 Wm. Bennett Moore, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
 W. G. Houghton, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 Andrew McNally, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
 Max Levy, as W. Grand Steward.
 W. A. Mentzer, as W. Grand Steward.
 James John, W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 F. M. Cruikshank, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 A. O. Novander, as W. Grand Tyler.
 Earl Webber Preston, as Symbol Bearer.
 Herbert Roscoe Lloyd, as Symbol Bearer.
 Sydney S. Chesholm, as Symbol Bearer.
 George E. Kessick, as Symbol Bearer.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Chicago on October 23, 1909, for the purpose of constituting Jackson Park Lodge No. 915, A.F. and A.M.

William H. Bied, as M.W. Grand Master.
 Louis Pickett, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

Harry W. Harvey, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
 David D. Rollier, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
 Frank M. Pierce, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 L. A. Gollhardt, as R.W. Grand Secretary
 A. O. Novander, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 William Rothmann, as R.W. Grand Orator.
 E. Allsworth, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
 Edward W. Peterson, as W. Grand Marshal.
 A. L. Thomas, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 D. C. Hibbott, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 George Edwards, as W. Grand Senior Deacon.
 J. W. Dunlap, as W. Grand Junior Deacon.
 J. W. Leverenz, as W. Grand Senior Steward.
 L. E. Simonds, as W. Grand Junior Steward.
 C. W. Leverenz, as W. Grand Tyler.
 H. R. Hopkins, as Master of the Oldest Lodge.
 E. N. Hasting, as Symbol Bearer.
 H. J. Laenhardt, as Symbol Bearer.
 W. G. Hastic, as Symbol Bearer.
 A. T. Lewnan, as Symbol Bearer.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Chicago on October 28, 1909, for the purpose of constituting Aaron Lodge No. 913, A.F. and A.M.

Harry W. Harvey, as M.W. Grand Master.
 David D. King, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
 Albert Roullier, as R.W. Grand Senior Warden.
 J. M. Huff, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
 Wm. F. Moore, as R.W. Grand Treasurer
 John Helwig, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
 A. O. Novander, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 Elmer E. Beach, as R.W. Grand Orator.
 Harley F. Srague, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
 Andrew McNally, as W. Grand Marshal.
 Charles Michel, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 Wm. P. Preble, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 Louis Pickett, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 H. M. Robinson, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
 Benjamin M. Dawney, as W. Grand Steward.
 Chas. A. Blonquist, as W. Grand Steward.

C. W. Leverenz, as Brother Grand Tyler.
 Hugh S. Wakefield, as Master of the Oldest Lodge.
 Wm. G. Murray, as Symbol Bearer.
 Alfred E. Erickson, as Symbol Bearer.
 Carl J. Peterson, as Symbol Bearer.
 Frank A. Davis, as Symbol Bearer.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Bellflower on October 30, for the purpose of constituting Bellflower Lodge No. 911, A.F. and A.M.

N. B. Carson, as M.W. Grand Master.
 L. E. Rockwood, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
 T. Bryton Strauss, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
 A. Otto Poff, as R.W. Junior Warden.
 Alex. Daniel, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 C. C. Wisher, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
 R. Y. Williams, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 F. M. Srouf, as R.W. Grand Orator.
 W. Norris, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
 W. A. Hoover, as W. Grand Marshal.
 H. L. Maltman, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 C. M. Fultz, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 A. S. Chapman, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 Curtis McKibben, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
 C. A. Flint, as W. Grand Steward.
 W. S. Bingham, as W. Grand Steward.
 John D. Proffitt, as Brother Grand Tyler.
 T. W. Nixon, as Master of the Oldest Lodge.
 I. N. Rinehart, as Symbol Bearer.
 C. H. Gladen, as Symbol Bearer.
 Cora A. Parks, as Symbol Bearer.
 J. H. Copenhaver, as Symbol Bearer.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Chicago on October 30, for the purpose of constituting Welcome Lodge No. 916, A.F. and A.M.

Robert R. Jampolis, as M.W. Grand Master.
 Albert Roullier, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

David D. King as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
 John M. Simpson, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
 George D. Dieresen, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 Andrew McNally, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
 A. O. Novander, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 Elmer E. Beach, as R.W. Grand Orator.
 M. Bates Iott, as W. Grand Marshal.
 Harry Harvey, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 Harry A. Dever, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
 William H. Bied, as W. Grand Steward.
 Frank M. Cruikshank, as W. Grand Steward.
 William B. Moore, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
 Alfred E. Bartelma, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 James G. Fitzgerald, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 Sidney S. Pollock, as Master of Oldest Lodge.
 Christian Leverenz, as Bro. Grand Tyler.
 Charles W. Wright, as Symbol Bearer.
 J. Warren Stinson, as Symbol Bearer.
 C. Austin Croninger, as Symbol Bearer.
 Samuel P. Russe, as Symbol Bearer.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at St. Francisville on November 12, 1909, for the purpose of constituting Stellar Lodge No. 912, A.F. and A.M.

Charles H. Martin, as M.W. Grand Master.
 Josiah M. James, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
 Frank C. Mesewe, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
 W. C. Hayhurst, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
 John Wamples, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 Peter Shearer, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
 O. M. Baker, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 Byron Lewis, as R.W. Grand Orator.
 Ed Whiting, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
 C. O. Cullison, as W. Grand Marshal.
 J. W. Hoxie, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 Jacob Steltzer, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 Haus Mills, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 Charles Simens, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
 A. Robertson, as W. Senior Grand Steward.
 C. E. Young, as W. Junior Grand Steward.

A. P. Spencer, as W. Grand Tyler.
 Chas. F. Eshelman, as Master of Oldest Lodge.
 J. M. Spausler, as Symbol Bearer.
 Fred Middaugh, as Symbol Bearer.
 John N. Barnes, as Symbol Bearer.
 W. J. Fox, as Symbol Bearer.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Urbana, November 13, 1909, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the First Christian Church.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master.
 J. E. Jeffers; as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
 D. E. Bruffett, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
 Boyd S. Blaine, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
 F. M. Brown, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 J. M. Snodgrass, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
 W. M. Ealey, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 Euclid B. Rogers, as R.W. Grand Orator.
 William Carrier, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
 W. P. Jones, as W. Grand Marshal.
 J. W. Harrigan, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 L. W. Goben, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 Fred Hess, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
 Wm. Webb, as W. Grand Steward.
 C. M. Webber, as W. Grand Steward.
 J. P. Gulick, as W. Grand Steward.
 A. D. Mulliken, as W. Grand Steward.
 J. W. Leverenz, as Bro. Grand Tyler.
 Benjamin Bing, as Master of the Oldest Lodge.
 F. A. Somers, as Principal Architect.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Ridge Farm on December 15, 1909, for the purpose of dedicating the new hall of Ridge Farm Lodge No. 632, A.F. and A.M.

C. L. Sandusky, as M.W. Grand Master.
 Almon Stansbury, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
 Z. S. Saylor, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

Walter T. Bogges, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
 John N. Fairchild, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 James P. Sutton, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
 Haven Stephens, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 Robert Fisk, as R.W. Grand Orator.
 Peter Moreland, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
 George E. Cockerton, as W. Grand Marshal.
 Bert Dickson, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 R. H. Gulley, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 Henry P. Blose, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 J. T. Smith, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
 W. W. Peck, as W. Senior Grand Steward.
 John Fletcher, as W. Junior Grand Steward.
 F. L. Flawcarty, as Brother Grand Tyler.
 Frank Fellows, as Principal Architect.
 Bro. W. Y. Ludwig, as Master of the Oldest Lodge, bore the Book
 of Constitutions. Bros. A. R. Campbell, C. L. Tuttle, Joseph Kendall
 and Thomas Halliday, bore the symbol of the lodge.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Villa Grove on December 21, 1909, for the purpose of
 dedicating the Masonic Hall for Villa Grove Lodge No. 885, A.F.
 and A.M.

J. E. Jeffers, as M.W. Grand Master.
 H. P. Blose, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
 C. A. Moon, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
 J. A. Wesch, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
 W. W. Welch, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 C. A. Hawkins, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
 P. A. Duff, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 E. M. Flemming, as R.W. Grand Orator.
 Thos. Shaw, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
 W. P. Jones, as W. Grand Marshal.
 A. A. Richman, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 C. G. Stovall, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 W. P. Dolson, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
 F. W. Lockhart, as W. Grand Steward.
 C. A. Tucker, as W. Grand Steward.
 Chris. Leverenz, as Bro. Grand Tyler.
 G. L. S. Kennedy, as Bro. Grand Architect.

Robert Duncan, as Master of Oldest Lodge.
 I. A. Sprinkle, as Symbol Bearer.
 C. A. Richman, as Symbol Bearer.
 M. R. Jones, as Symbol Bearer.
 T. D. Hanson, as Symbol Bearer.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Apple River, on January 18, 1910, for the purpose of dedicating the hall of Apple River Lodge No. 859, A.F. and A.M.

John W. Oliver, as M.W. Grand Master.
 D. B. Blewett, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
 G. V. Lichtenberger, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
 J. S. Baume, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
 Edward Bretz, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 Thos. D. Shipton, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
 Henry Rosier, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 James Charlton, as R.W. Grand Orator.
 Geo. Beismann, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
 James Carr, as W. Grand Marshal.
 John Braustetter, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 John Wickler, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 William George, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 E. W. Montgomery, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
 Bert Morris, as W. Grand Steward.
 Paul Scott, as W. Grand Steward.
 W. F. Beismann, as Bro. Grand Tyler.
 S. A. Varty, as Principal Architect.
 E. A. Laign, as Master of Oldest Lodge.
 A. Anderson, as Symbol Bearer.
 William Stephenson, as Symbol Bearer.
 Philip Fetz, as Symbol Bearer.
 C. Homrich, as Symbol Bearer.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at East St. Louis, on April 23, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the First Christian Church.

Geo. S. Caughlan, as M.W. Grand Master.
 I. H. Todd, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

W. W. Stines, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
 W. C. Watkins, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
 E. S. McIntyre, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 R. A. Nerber, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
 W. E. Archibald, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 C. J. Lindley, as R.W. Grand Orator.
 John Owens, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
 H. C. Windt, as W. Grand Marshal.
 W. H. Reidelberger, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 J. W. Colter, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 T. L. Cheek, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 Frank Neimes, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
 C. M. Musgrave, as W. Grand Steward.
 C. L. Davis, as W. Grand Steward.
 T. L. Springal, as Bro. Grand Tyler.
 W. A. Huff, as Master of the Oldest Lodge.
 J. T. W. Rudisill, as Principal Architect.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened on the 30th day of April for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the Masonic Orphans' Home at LaGrange.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master.
 D. D. Darrah, R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
 H. T. Burnap, R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
 R. H. Wheeler, R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
 L. A. Goddard, R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Secretary.
 Rev. J. W. Bailey, R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 Rev. Frank Smith, R.W. Grand Orator.
 N. J. Cary, W. Grand Pursuivant.
 A. W. West, W. Grand Marshal.
 James John, W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 W. B. Watson, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 R. R. Jampolis, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 S. S. Borden, as W. Grand Steward.
 L. C. Johnson, as W. Grand Steward.
 E. W. Peterson, as W. Grand Steward.
 D. D. King, as W. Grand Steward.
 C. F. Hitchcock, Past Grand Officer.

G. W. Teal, as Principal Architect.
W. F. Price, as Master of Oldest Lodge.
C. S. Gurney, Bro. Grand Tyler.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Decatur on May 13, 1910, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the new high school building.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master.
Owen Scott, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
I. A. Buckingham, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
A. Summers, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
W. A. Dixon, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
W. J. Hostetter as R.W. Grand Secretary.
A. B. Cobb, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
Wm. Armstrong, as R.W. Grand Orator.
W. E. Nelson, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
G. A. Stadler, as W. Grand Marshal.
J. N. Baker, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
J. M. Willard, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
W. H. Starr, as W. Grand Senior Deacon.
S. D. May, as W. Grand Junior Deacon
H. O. Folrath, as W. Grand Steward.
H. C. Bush, as W. Grand Steward.
R. C. Peck, as W. Grand Steward.
Enos Kepler, as W. Grand Steward.
J. S. Edmondson, as Master of Oldest Lodge.
B. S. Brooks, as Principal Architect.
C. W. Leverenz, as Bro. Grand Tyler.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Newman on May 17, 1910, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the First Presbyterian Church.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master.
J. E. Jeffers, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
C. L. Sandusky, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
W. P. Jones, as R.W. Grand Junior Warden.
C. G. Stovall, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.

C. W. Rutherford, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
 J. S. Smith, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 J. H. Chadwick, as R.W. Grand Orator.
 F. L. White, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
 F. W. Lockhart, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 I. S. Williams, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 H. H. Hilton, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 C. A. Hawkins, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
 B. W. Vandine, as W. Grand Steward.
 Thos. Rutherford, as W. Grand Steward.
 Jno. Bott, as W. Grand Steward.
 C. W. Mitchell, as W. Grand Steward.
 Fred Ebel, as Master of Oldest Lodge.
 C. Q. Whallon, as Principal Architect.
 Jno. A. Wesch, as W. Grand Marshal.
 C. W. Leverenz, as Bro. Grand Tyler.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Kinderhook on May 25, 1910, for the purpose of dedicating the new hall of Kinderhook Lodge No. 353, A.F. and A.M.

W. W. Watson, as M.W. Grand Master.
 Geo. W. Lawrence, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
 A. J. Brown, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
 C. E. Beavers, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
 C. Clemmons, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 J. H. Kirby, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 H. J. Tooley, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
 J. Hinckle, as R.W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 J. M. Whitcomb, as R.W. Junior Grand Deacon.
 W. S. Binns, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
 H. B. Atkinson, as R.W. Grand Orator.
 W. H. Hooper, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 I. Larrimore, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 J. K. Crawford, as W. Grand Marshal.
 Geo. McFarland, as W. Grand Steward.
 W. N. Hart, as W. Grand Steward.
 Geo. Loy, as Bro. Grand Tyler.
 O. K. Garrett, as Master of the Oldest Lodge.
 W. S. Gille, as Symbol Bearer.

R. E. Funk, as Symbol Bearer.
 Harve Born, as Symbol Bearer.
 Dr. Wolfe, as Symbol Bearer.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Arcola on May 21, 1910, for the purpose of dedicating the hall of Arcola Lodge No. 366, A.F. and A.M.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master.
 H. A. Snell, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
 C. H. Martin, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
 D. D. King, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
 W. S. Craig, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 J. A. Steel, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
 J. M. Bennington, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 Jno. I. Gunn, as R.W. Grand Orator.
 C. W. Mitchell, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
 A. H. Scrogin, as W. Grand Marshal.
 E. J. Enslow, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 D. L. Enslow, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 A. E. Wood, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 I. A. Sprinkle, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
 F. W. Lockhart, as W. Grand Steward.
 C. W. Kessler, as W. Grand Steward.
 C. W. Leverenz, as Bro. Grand Tyler.
 R. F. W. Beasley, as Principal Architect.
 F. C. Winkler, as Master of Oldest Lodge.
 A. L. Stivers, as Symbol Bearer.
 A. B. Dimond, as Symbol Bearer.
 J. E. Allison, as Symbol Bearer.
 J. G. Reed, as Symbol Bearer.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Collison, for the purpose of dedicating the new hall of Collison Lodge No. 714, A.F. and A.M.

D. D. Darrah, as M.W. Grand Master.
 Z. S. Saylor, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

Almon Stansbury, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
 John Fairchild, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
 H. M. Luckey, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 F. L. Endicott, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
 W. Y. Ludwig, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 John W. Kesler, as R.W. Grand Orator.
 W. F. Heath, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
 C. L. Sandusky, as W. Grand Marshal.
 Joe Crisman, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 O. P. Wysong, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 Henry Blose, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 Glen Prillman, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
 Robert Parks, as W. Senior Grand Steward.
 John Smalley, as W. Junior Grand Steward.
 Chris. Leverenz, as Bro. Grand Tyler.
 M. S. Campbell, as Principal Architect.
 R.W. Bro. J. E. Jeffers, as Master of the Oldest Lodge, bore the
 Book of Constitutions. Bros. C. F. Stanner, A. J. Davis, J. A. King
 and Geo. Cockerton, bore the symbol of the lodge.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Pittsfield on April 12, 1910, for the purpose of paying
 a last tribute of affection for William Berry Grimes, Past Grand
 Steward.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master.
 W. W. Watson, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
 F. C. Funk, as R.W. Grand Senior Warden.
 N. B. McEvers, as R.W. Grand Junior Warden.
 W. A. Reed, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 C. L. Hopkins, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
 Rev. G. E. Young, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 Dr. J. I. Doss, as R.W. Grand Orator.
 Ross P. Shinn, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
 George M. Smith, as W. Grand Marshal.
 C. E. Bagby, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 Jacob Strauss, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 J. T. Thurmon, as Bearer of Holy Writings.
 Coston Clemmons, as W. Grand Senior Deacon.
 W. H. Pringle, as W. Grand Junior Deacon.

W. R. Hooper, as W. Grand Steward.
 John A. James, as W. Grand Steward.
 W. H. Laird, as W. Grand Steward.
 J. A. Miller, as W. Grand Steward.
 Joe McFarland, as W. Grand Steward.
 W. A. Windmiller, as W. Grand Steward.
 C. W. Patterson, as Bro. Grand Tyler.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Emergent Communication.

Convened at Alton on June 7, 1910, for the purpose of paying a last tribute of affection for John M. Pearson, M.W. Past Grand Master.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master.
 H. H. Montgomery, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
 L. Caywood, as R.W. Grand Senior Warden.
 Enos Johnson, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
 C. H. Bergdorf, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 J. G. Sites, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
 G. S. Coughlin, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 F. Froelich, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 H. L. Harford, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
 F. T. Macdonald, as W. Grand Steward.
 Wm. M. Marsh, as W. Grand Steward.
 W. Adams, as Bro. Grand Tyler.

Pall Bearers—Gaines Paddock, Geo. H. Smiley, R. C. Hardy, W. B. Copley.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Pocohontas on June 22, 1910, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the high school building.

D. W. Starr, as M.W. Grand Master.
 W. S. Hilbert, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
 C. E. Nilsson, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
 F. A. Mur, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

J. C. Williams, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 D. R. Wilkins, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
 Chas. Schacht, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 L. G. Wright, as R.W. Grand Orator.
 C. B. Springer, as R.W. Grand Marshal.
 S. G. Willford, as R.W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 Joseph Hunter, as R.W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 J. S. Carson, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 Chas. R. Smith, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
 E. R. Davis, as W. Grand Steward.
 F. M. Belwer, as W. Grand Steward.
 N. P. Nelson, as Principal Architect.
 E. S. Valentine, as Grand Tyler.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Quincy, Illinois, July 20, 1910, for the purpose of laying corner-stone of Masonic Temple.

D. D. Darrah, as M.W. Grand Master.
 Emmett Howard, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
 H. T. Burnap, R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
 C. T. Holmes, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
 W. W. Watson, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Secretary.
 W. A. Gustin, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 John E. Wall, as R.W. Grand Orator.
 William Bach, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
 A. W. West, W. Grand Marshal.
 E. M. Crain, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 J. O. Wade, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 F. M. Pendleton, as W. Grand Senior Deacon.
 W. C. Hamilton, as W. Grand Junior Deacon.
 G. W. Hamilton, W. Grand Steward.
 George Cyrus, as W. Grand Steward.
 C. H. Nutt, as W. Grand Steward.
 E. L. Charpentier, as W. Grand Steward.
 C. W. Leverenz, as Bro. Grand Tyler.
 S. I. Bragg, as Master of Oldest Lodge.
 John Batschy, as Principal Architect.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at East St. Louis on August 6, 1910, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the new Masonic temple.

- A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master.
- Geo. B. Moore, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
- Henry T. Burnap, R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
- T. L. Cheek, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
- Thos. L. Fekete, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
- Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Secretary.
- Rev. Wm. E. Archibald, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
- Rev. Frank G. Smith, R.W. Grand Orator.
- H. W. Cox, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
- H. C. Windt, as W. Grand Marshal.
- C. S. Lambert, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
- E. S. McIntyre, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
- T. E. Gillespie, W. Senior Grand Deacon.
- W. H. Peak, W. Junior Grand Deacon.
- I. H. Todd, as W. Grand Steward.
- F. M. Miller, as W. Grand Steward.
- S. M. Schoemann, as W. Grand Steward.
- J. W. Mills, as W. Grand Steward.
- C. W. Leverenz, as Bro. Grand Tyler.
- L. E. Wangelin, as Master of Oldest Lodge.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Danville, September 28, 1910, to lay corner-stone of St. Mark's Protestant Episcopal Church.

- A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master.
- D. D. Bruffett, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
- H. P. Blose, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
- J. W. Hamilton, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
- A. Stansbury, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
- Edwin R. Partlow, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
- W. E. Adams, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
- Z. S. Saylor, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
- T. B. Castleman, as Principal Architect.
- J. N. Fairchild, as Master of Oldest Lodge.

Walter Boggess, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 Charles Karns, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
 R. T. Barton, as W. Grand Steward.
 C. M. Harrold, as W. Grand Steward.
 Chas. W. Hammond, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 David N. Fowler, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 Wilson P. Jones, as W. Grand Marshal.
 Chris W. Leverenz, as Bro. Grand Tyler.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Clayton on October 6, 1910, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the Clayton High School.

Isaac Cutter, as M.W. Grand Master.
 E. M. Crain, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
 Geo. Zoller, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
 J. H. Pittman, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
 T. L. Hancock, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
 Wm. Schlagenhauf, as R.W. Grand Orator.
 E. B. O. Dean, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
 A. F. Wiedermann, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
 Frank Garner, as W. Grand Marshal.
 H. J. Reynolds, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
 C. C. Whiteside, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
 Perry Ellis, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
 A. J. Schroeder, as Master Oldest Lodge.
 A. D. Bates, as Principal Architect.
 H. G. Henry, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
 H. S. Blood, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
 J. T. Lynn, as W. Grand Steward.
 G. A. Brown, as W. Grand Steward.
 C. W. Leverenz, as W. Grand Steward.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Fairview on October 6, 1910, for the purpose of dedicating the new hall of Fairview Lodge No. 350, A.F. and A.M.

Geo. D. Bell, as M.W. Grand Master.
 C. E. Allen, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
 E. S. Gaylord, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
 J. A. Coleman, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

Newton Ellis, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.

Samuel Reynolds, as R.W. Grand Secretary.

John C. Weis, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

P. W. Gallagher, as R.W. Grand Orator.

C. T. Holmes, as W. Grand Marshal.

H. A. Craig, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

Jos. Stricklan, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

I. T. Scudder, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

A. A. Luckey, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

John Suydam, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

J. V. Houghland, as W. Grand Steward.

L. B. Travis, as W. Grand Steward.

D. M. Wiley, as Bro. Grand Tyler.

Bro. Geo. Negley, as Master of the Oldest Lodge, bore the Book of Constitutions. Bros. E. V. Cotty, Joseph Darland, William West and Charles Cook, Symbol Bearers.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Chicago on October 10, 1910, for the purpose of dedicating the Central Masonic Temple.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master.

D. D. Darrah, R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

H. T. Burnap, R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

R. H. Wheeler, R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

F. Rounseville, as R.W. Grand Secretary.

L. A. Goddard, R.W. Grand Treasurer.

F. G. Smith, R.W. Grand Orator.

Owen Scott, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

T. E. Gillespie, Senior Grand Deacon.

W. H. Peak, Junior Grand Deacon.

N. Cary, W. Grand Pursuivant.

S. S. Borden, as W. Grand Steward.

A. H. Scrogin, as W. Grand Steward.

Alonzo Dolan, as W. Grand Steward.

James John, W. Grand Standard Bearer.

C. H. Martin, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

C. S. Gurney, Bro. Grand Tyler.

E. W. Peterson, as Symbol Bearer.

H. W. Harvey, as Symbol Bearer.

W. H. Bied, as Symbol Bearer.

R. R. Jampolis, as Symbol Bearer.

Report of Board of Grand Examiners.

LEXINGTON, ILL., August 15, 1910.

Brother Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother:—The Board of Grand Examiners desire to report that immediately after our appointment, October 14, 1909, we met in the Palmer House, in Chicago, and perfected our organization as a Board by electing Bro. Austin H. Scrogin as Secretary. The Board, by unanimous action, recommended for reappointment as Grand Lecturers the following named brethren:

PAST GRAND EXAMINERS.

A. B. Ashley, C. F. Tenney, James John, H. S. Hurd, J. R. Ennis, H. T. Burnap, H. A. Snell, Isaac Cutter, M. B. Iott, A. W. West, Charles S. DeHart.

EMERITUS GRAND LECTURERS.

G. A. Stadler, John E. Morton, W. O. Butler, Wm. E. Ginther, T. H. Humphreys, H. C. Yetter, C. E. Allen, D. D. Darrah, H. S. Albin, A. G. Goodridge, J. G. Seitz, Enos Johnson, R. H. Wheeler

GRAND LECTURERS.

D. E. Bruffett, I. H. Todd, C. E. Groves, J. M. Willard, J. E. Wheat, S. M. Shoeman, W. K. Bowling, Chas. G. Young, James McCredie, W. H. Peak, C. M. Hambleton, C. A. Lackens, A. O. Novander, J. B. Roach, T. N. Cummings, Louis Pickett, Anthony Doherty, Charles T. Holmes, C. P. Ross, Archibald Birse, F. M. Pendleton, R. W. King, E. E. Beach, W. H. Robson, H. W. Harvey, F. H. Moorehouse, F. J. Burton, I. A. Foster, G. R. Smith, John H. Griffiths, A. Jampolis, W. A. Dixon, Edw. W. Peterson, Albert Davis, Albert Roullier, E. D. Brothers, N. M. Mesnard, John C. Weis, Adam Schmidt, H. E. Van Loon, Will C. Stilson, H. C. Michels, C. J. Wightman, W. H. Bied, Wm. Rothman, Emmett Howard, W. E. Anderson, J. M. Hederick, D. W. Starr, J. M. Hannum, Nimrod Mace, R. G. Bright, W. S. Welsh, N. B. Carson, David Richards, Louis J. Frahm, Geo. E. Carlson, E. C. Jackson, G. Harmison, H. M. Witt, J. K. West, A. T. Summers, C. B. Pavlicek, Andrew McNally, J. M. Simpson, W. P. Jones, W. H. Rupe, W. W. Roberts, Alvin W. Caine, W. H. Welch, Hiram Vanderbilt, P. A. Reinhard, D. D. King, L. E. Simons, M. T. Booth, E. T. Osgood, H.

W. Mason, C. L. Montgomery, J. S. Edmondson, F. D. Fletcher, C. M. Borchers, Frank H. Blöse, B. A. Cottlow, T. H. Land, A. I. Porges, William Fitch, William Grube, Samuel Bradford, Herman Blanchard, L. E. Rockwood, W. A. Hoover, L. B. Dyer, Geo. N. Todd, W. G. Houghton, John F. Lockett, J. M. James, R. N. Strohn, O. E. Tandy, F. O. Lorton, James F. Hammond, William A. Mentzer, Thomas Weeks, R. D. Mills, F. G. Trenary, Wm. Elmer Edwards, Chas. S. Borden, J. E. Jeffers, Z. S. Saylor, S. C. Scrimger, C. A. Prather, H. M. Palmer, W. B. Moore, W. B. Price, Harry A. Dever, Walter E. Marble, Theodore Christensen, James M. Huff, George Low, H. H. Milnor, H. O. Folrath, Chas. H. Graves, H. M. Robinson, C. H. Thompson, Amos Ball, O. H. Woodworth, R. H. Gully, R. M. Riggs, Otto Brail, J. W. Mills, Alfred E. Holmes, W. C. Trowbridge, C. L. Gregory, Frank F. Collins, Jas. F. Boyle, Altamont B. Collom, John H. Brown, John W. Johnson, J. E. Glathart, David C. Hibbott, Boyd S. Blaine, William N. Ewing, Charles S. Lawrence, T. Bryson Strauss; B. I. Pumpelly, Arthur E. Wood, George Edwards, Walter T. Boggess, Almon Stansberry, N. E. Porter, Clarence A. Tucker, Herbert C. Bush, Frank H. Bradley, Lewis A. Brinkman, Albert P. William, Thomas G. Kerwin, Elmer Tregay, Richard B. Prendergast, Francis M. Cruikshank, George W. Flood, Sidney S. Pollock, H. Gasaway, J. A. Wesch, J. I. Brydon.

Since that time, after due examination, the Board have recommended for appointment, as Grand Lecturers, the following named brethren, viz.:

Benjamin Bing, J. M. Foreman, I. J. McDowell, Oscar Formhals, W. E. Speckman, Louis A. Kaiser, W. H. Barnard, Thomas E. Quincy, Benjamin E. Sincere, Charles A. Stephenson, Ora E. Chapin, Homer D. Jackson, Evan P. Janes, William R. Goodheart, Ebenezer C. Tillotson, Hans M. Rachtitz, David S. Davidson, George D. Bell, A. A. Bauer, C. A. Stovall, John N. Fairchild, Chas. A. Luse, William Scales, Hyman Silverman, Charles L. Tanner, James Porter, S. C. D. Rea, T. S. Browning, A. M. Bloxam, F. W. Froelich, T. C. Hambleton, H. W. Crabb, J. Weatherson, C. W. Kessler, H. A. Flock, E. R. Turnbull, R. C. Clark, E. G. Burger.

Emerson Clark: Past Grand Examiner.

For the Emeritus List: Owen Scott and G. S. Doughty.

Making in all 229, which together with the Board make 234 holding commissions.

In compliance with your order and appointment Schools of Instruction were conducted by the Board as follows, viz.: at Freeport,

January 11, 12 and 13, 1910; Bushnell, January 25, 26 and 27, 1910; Streator, February 8, 9 and 10, 1910; Benton, February 22, 23 and 24, 1910; Springfield, March 8, 9 and 10, 1910.

At the school held at Freeport the attendance was as follows: Brethren Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master; D. D. Darrah, R.W. D.G.M.; Ralph H. Wheeler, R.W.J.G.W.; Isaac Cutter, Grand Secretary; Wm. H. Bied, H. M. Palmer, James M. Huff, John C. Weis, W. P. Jones, Hiram Vanderbilt, J. W. Oliver and E. W. Peterson, R. W. District Deputy Grand Masters; Chas. H. Martin, S. S. Borden, A. H. Scrogin, R. F. Morrow and Lawrence C. Johnson, Grand Examiners; Otto Brail, A. O. Novander, W. W. Roberts, H. H. Milner, James John, C. J. Wightman, Geo. Edwards, F. M. Cruikshank, A. G. Goodridge, A. E. Wood, L. A. Brinkman, L. B. Dyer, Ben. E. Sincere and R. B. Prendergast, R.W. Grand Lecturers; Total attendance, 305; Illinois lodges represented, 53 Foreign 2.

At the school held at Bushnell the attendance was as follows: Brethren Albert B. Ashley, M.W.G.M.; C. E. Allen, Past M.W.G.M.; Isaac Cutter, R.W.G.S.; Geo. D. Bell, D. W. Starr, C. L. Gregory, C. P. Ross, M. T. Booth, Francis H. Bradley, Emmett Howard, H. M. Palmer, John C. Weis, E. M. Crain and C. T. Holmes, R.W.D.D.G. Masters; C. H. Martin, S. S. Borden, A. H. Scrogin, R. F. Morrow and Lawrence C. Johnson, Grand Examiners; C. L. Montgomery, David Richards, C. E. Grove, G. N. Todd, A. E. Wood, E. C. Tillotson, T. B. Strauss, G. A. Lackens, W. O. Butler, J. B. Roach. Total number in attendance, 220; Illinois lodges, 44; Foreign, 2.

At the school held in Streator the attendance was as follows: Brethren D. D. Darrah, R.W.D.G.M.; R. H. Wheeler, R.W.J.G.W. and Isaac Cutter, R.W.G.S.; J. M. Hannum, W. P. Jones, J. E. Jeffers, John C. Weis, Francis H. Bradley and D. D. King, R.W.D.D.G. Masters; C. H. Martin, S. S. Borden, A. H. Scrogin, R. F. Morrow and Lawrence C. Johnson, Grand Examiners; W. E. Speckman, L. A. Kaiser, E. C. Tillotson, Ira J. McDowell, Sidney A. Pollock, Thomas Weeks, W. A. Hoover, Amos Ball, W. T. Boggers, W. H. Barnard, A. E. Wood, Oscar Formhals, J. B. Roach, Albert P. Williams, Geo. S. Doughty, W. E. Fitch, F. G. Trenary, Elmer Tregay and S. M. Bradford, R.W. Grand Lecturers. Total registration, 244; Illinois lodges, 48; foreign, 8.

At the school held in Benton the attendance was as follows: Brethren Albert B. Ashley, Grand Master, M. C. Crawford, P.G.M.; Ralph H. Wheeler, R.W.J.G.W.; Isaac Cutter, R.W.G.S.; Thomas E. Gillespie, W.S.G.D.; W. H. Peak, W.J.G.D.; T. S. Browning, J. C. Weis, H. Gasaway, James M. Huff, Chas. H. Thompson, J. R. Ennis, A. T. Summers and Anthony Doherty, R.W.D.D. Grand Masters; C.

H. Martin, S. S. Borden, A. H. Scrogin, R. F. Morrow and Lawrence C. Johnson, Grand Examiners; T. N. Cummins, J. N. Foreman, J. I. Bryden, F. M. Cruikshank, J. E. Glathart, H. C. Michels, A. B. Collom, R.W. Grand Lecturers. Names registered, 231; Illinois lodges, 60; foreign, 5.

At the school held in Springfield the attendance was as follows: Brethren Albert B. Ashley, M.W.G.M.; Owen Scott, P.G.M.; Geo. M. Moulton, P.G.M.; Alexander H. Bell, P.G.M.; Delmar D. Darrah, R.W.D.G.M.; Charles Fisher, P.D.G.M.; R. H. Wheeler, R.W.J.G.W.; Isaac Cutter, R.W.G.S.; C. L. Sandusky, E. W. Peterson, H. M. Palmer, Charles G. Young, D. D. King, Sidney S. Breese, J. M. Hannum, J. E. Jeffers, A. T. Summers, D. W. Starr, W. P. Jones, L. E. Rockwood, C. P. Ross, J. C. Weis, J. K. West, L. W. Lawton, W. H. Bied, C. T. Holme, R.W.D.D. Grand Masters; C. H. Martin, S. S. Borden, A. H. Scrogin, R. F. Morrow and Lawrence C. Johnson, Grand Examiners; B. I. Pumpelly, W. A. Dixon, J. A. Wesch, W. B. Moore, G. N. Todd, F. D. Fletcher R. G. Bright, Nimrod Mace, C. G. Stovall, Frank I. Collins, E. W. Peterson, G. R. Smith, N. B. Carson, H. A. Dever, H. C. Bush, H. O. Folrath, J. M. Willard, J. S. Edmonson, Boyd S. Blaine, O. H. Woodworth, S. M. Shoeman, W. K. Bowling and N. M. Mesnard, R. W. Grand Lecturers. Names registered, 529; Illinois lodges, 116; foreign, 5.

At each of these schools the ritual of Masonry as authorized by M.W. Grand Lodge, was exemplified in full, in the daytime on a substitute candidate in Blank Lodge, and on an actual candidate in a local lodge at night.

The members of the Board feel that the success of the schools is due largely to the good council and assistance of the Grand Master, who having served for many years as a member of the Board, was eminently qualified to advice and direct; to the other Grand Lodge officers, who encouraged by their presence and approval.

We desire to express our hearty appreciation of the helpful assistance rendered by the District Deputy Grand Masters, who so ably seconded our efforts to procure a good attendance at these several schools; and to the Grand Lecturers, who by their presence, made it possible for us to exemplify and confer the three degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry.

Thanking you for the confidence reposed in us, we remain,

Fraternally yours,

THE BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS,

A. H. SCROGIN,

Sec. of Board.

R E P O R T S
OF
R. W. District Deputy Grand Masters

FIRST DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., August 24, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Sir and Bro.:—I take pleasure in submitting herewith, my annual report as District Deputy Grand Master of the First District. My first official duty was in the capacity of your special deputy in constituting Concord Lodge No. 917 and installing its officers on October 20, 1909, of which proceedings due report was made to you.

On October 28, 1909, I performed a like service for Aaron Lodge No. 913 and made report. At your direction I had the pleasure of instituting Banner Blue Lodge U.D. at Englewood Masonic Temple, April 28, 1910. Also on July 12, 1910, I instituted Veritas Lodge U.D. at West Chicago Masonic Temple, Chicago, the details of which were covered by reports heretofore made you.

I have noted the work of these new lodges from time to time and believe that their strict observance of the standard work should in my opinion result in the full approval of their labors. I have visited many lodges in my district in some of which I have installed officers, assisted in the work and given such advice to them as in my opinion was for the good of the fraternity and it is a great pleasure to me to report that in all the lodges in the District the doctrines of the fraternity are upheld and that peace and harmony prevails.

Thanking you for the many favors you have extended to me in the past and trusting that my actions as District Deputy have been satisfactory to you and with sincere personal regards, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

HARRY W. HARVEY, *D.D.G.M. First District.*

SECOND DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., August 30, 1910.

Capt. A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—I beg herewith to submit this my annual report as your representative of the Second District.

I am pleased to say that peace and harmony have prevailed in each and every one of the lodges of this district; I have found in each instance when visiting, that it has been the aim of the lodge to perform the work in accordance with the prescribed ritual.

I congratulate you upon your very successful administration of the affairs of the craft and desire hereby to express my sincere appreciation of the honor you have done me by appointing me your representative for this district. I am, with high regard,

Fraternally yours,

ROBERT R. JAMPOLIS, *D.D.G.M. Second District.*

THIRD DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., September 20, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, Esq., M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—I am happy to report to you that the lodges in the Third Masonic District are in a flourishing condition. It has been my great pleasure during the past Masonic year to visit many of the lodges in this district in a social way, and at all times I received a most friendly and courteous greeting, good fellowship and harmony prevailing.

I desire to thank you and appreciate greatly the honor you conferred upon me in appointing me your District Deputy for the Third District, and sincerely hope that our personal relations may continue to be as pleasant in the future as they have been in the past. With best wishes and fraternal regards, I am,

Fraternally yours,

ALBERT ROULLIER, *D.D.G.M. Third District.*

FOURTH DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., August 30, 1910.

Mr. A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—I beg leave to submit my annual report for the Fourth Masonic District:

As you are aware, my duties as your representative have been unusually light during the year, there not having been a single serious infraction of the law so far as the Fourth District was concerned necessitating your official recognition.

The lodges are in a prosperous condition and have contributed their full share to the increase in membership which the year 1910 will show.

I thank you very sincerely for the honor you have conferred upon me in having selected me as your representative.

Fraternally yours,

DAVID D. KING, *D.D.G.M. Fourth District.*

FIFTH DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., September 6, 1910.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—It gives me much pleasure to report that peace and harmony is enjoyed throughout the entire Fifth District. The duties of my office have been pleasant. There have been no dissensions among the Craft in this District and all are working together for the good of the order.

I have visited each lodge in the district at least once, except one, which I have arranged to visit this month.

On March 15, 1910, by your authority, I instituted East Gate Lodge U.D. This lodge is composed of men who are, I have every reason to believe, a credit to the fraternity and their loyalty to the Grand Lodge and strict observance of the standard work I am satisfied will result in the full approval of their labors.

I assure you it has been a pleasure for me to act as your deputy of the Fifth District and I desire to thank you for numerous evidences of your confidence and assure you that they have been highly appreciated.

Trusting that I have merited your confidence, I am,

Fraternally yours,

WM. H. BIED, *D.D.G.M. Fifth District.*

SIXTH DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., February 6, 1910.

Mr. A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—I herewith submit my annual report as your Deputy for the Sixth District. Acting as your proxy, I instituted Compass Lodge, Tuesday evening, February 1, 1910. I have attended most of their meetings and am pleased to report they are doing good work and are very particular in the investigations of their candidates. On Monday evening, July 18, 1910, I instituted Candida lodge. I have attended all their meetings and am pleased to say they are complying in every particular with the requirements of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge. They are doing excellent work.

Complying with your request of August 17, 1910, I made an official visit to Bee Hive lodge and executed your order and made a report to you under date of August 26, 1910.

I visited most of the lodges in my district in a social way and find them prosperous and harmonious.

In conclusion I wish to thank you for the honor conferred. With best wishes, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

E. W. PETERSON, *D.D.G.M. Sixth District.*

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., September 2, 1910.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

My Dear Brother:—I am glad to be able to report to you a continued interest among the craft throughout the Seventh District, and considerable work has been done during the past year. All lodges, so far as I can learn, are in good healthy condition.

I have visited many lodges during the past year. A number of these visits have been of a social nature and have always received a hearty welcome.

I thank you for the honors received from you and congratulate you upon the able and successful manner in which you have conducted the affairs of the fraternity.

Fraternally yours,

HIRAM VANDERBILT, *D.D.G.M. Seventh District.*

EIGHTH DISTRICT.

WAUKEGAN, ILL., September 2, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—As your representative in the Eight District I am pleased to report that peace and harmony prevail throughout the district. I have visited many of the lodges and have been cordially received by all. Many new members have been made, the work being well done and along the standard lines. Congratulating you on your successful administration, and thanking you for the confidence in me reposed, I am, with well wishes,

Fraternally yours,

JAY L. BREWSTER, *D.D.G.M. Eighth District.*

NINTH DISTRICT.

BELVIDERE, ILL., September 15, 1910.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

My Dear Brother:—I have visited most of the lodges of my district during the year, ill health preventing me from completing the circuit.

The institution is in good shape and growing interest is being manifested. Many local schools have been held and the demand for them is constant. The schools held in this section of the state by the Board of Grand Examiners is entitled to all the credit for the great increase in the interest being manifested and while I will always think the Freeport school was the best ever held, extreme bad weather prevented the attendance from reaching high water mark.

I am still of the opinion expressed in my last report made to your predecessor, that the Grand Lodge by-laws should require the secretary and treasurer of the constituent lodges to give a proper bond, or it could possibly be brought about by your direction. Any way it should be done.

With kindest wishes for your happiness and the continued success of your administration, I am,

Fraternally yours,

JAMES M. HUFF, *D.D.G.M. Ninth District.*

TENTH DISTRICT.

APPLE RIVER, ILL., September 3, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

My Dear Brother:—In rendering an account of my stewardship. I am very much pleased to be able to report to you that the best of good feeling and Masonic fellowship prevails in this the Tenth District. The year now drawing to a close has been one of prosperity.

On the 18th day of last January, acting as your special deputy and proxy with the assistance of a number of brethren from various lodges, I convened an occasional Grand Lodge and dedicated the new Masonic Hall of Apple River Lodge No. 859, at Apple River. The brethren at Apple River now have a commodious, convenient and well equipped lodge room, and is indeed a credit to the Lodge.

I have made but one official visit during the year and the matter requiring attention (report of which was made to you at the time) was without foundation in fact and was easily and amicably disposed of.

It has been my pleasure to install the officers of various lodges and to assist in conferring degrees.

I have also been called upon to officiate at nine funerals. Among them being that of Bro. F. H. Bayne, Past R.W.D.D. Grand Master of the Tenth District.

I am glad to report to you that the condition of Masonry in this District is satisfactory and progressive.

In conclusion, permit me to thank you for the honor of serving as your deputy and with best wishes, I am,

Fraternally yaurs,

J. W. OLIVER, *D.D.G.M. Tenth District.*

ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

OREGON, ILL., September 22, 1910.

Mr. A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—I hereby submit my annual report as your Deputy for this District:

I installed the officers of two lodges and in all visited six of the seventeen lodges in the District. Most of the lodges are very diffi-

cult to reach from my home, which fact has prevented me from doing more visiting.

By your order I made official visits to Hinckley 301 and Genoa 288 to investigate matters which had been reported to you as irregular; a full report in each case being made to you at the time. I am happy to state that all difficulties in these cases were speedily corrected and "Peace and harmony prevail," as is the situation all through the rest of the District as well.

An event of unusual interest was the visit of Composite Lodge No. 879 of Chicago to Oregon No. 420 on August 6. The Sublime Degree was conferred and was witnessed by over 200 brethren. Twenty-eight brethren were present from Chicago and in all over twenty lodges were represented. That it was an enjoyable evening was the verdict of everyone.

As a rule the work in the lodges I have visited has been very good. But occasionally I have found irregularities in the conduct of the lodge affairs which in some instances were decidedly illegal. There has never been any hesitancy in correcting these conditions when once the attention of the brethren was directed to the law. I believe that a more careful study of the Blue Book by not only the officers but by the brethren as well would result in a better management of lodges.

The lodges are all flourishing and I am sure that the endeavor is for careful and regular work.

Thanking you for the honor of serving you, I am with congratulations on your successful administration,

Fraternally yours,

B. A. COTTLOW, *D.D.G.M. Eleventh District.*

TWELFTH DISTRICT.

DOWNERS GROVE, ILL., August 31, 1910.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

My Dear Brother:—In submitting to you this, my annual report, it is with much pleasure that I inform you that harmony prevails in every quarter of this district.

While my personal visitation has not extended to every one of the lodges, it has been my endeavor to keep in touch with conditions in each lodge, and be ready at a moment's call. That no urgent call has

come is still further proof to me that brotherly love prevails in the Twelfth Masonic District.

I wish to thank you for the honor you have conferred upon me by giving me the privilege of serving as a D.D. Grand Master. It has been a real pleasure to me and I assure you that it has commanded my best efforts.

With kindest regards, I am,

Fraternally yours,

JOHN H. GRIFFITHS, *D.D.G.M. Twelfth District.*

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

MORRISON, ILL., September 14, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—As your representative for the Thirteenth Masonic District I have but little to report. The lodges are all in a most prosperous condition, many of them are having plenty of work. It is invariably of the right kind and is being well done. I am pleased to report that no calls requiring official action have been necessary and conditions in the district seem very satisfactory.

Congratulating you on the success of your administration, thanking you for the honor shown me and with best wishes for your future, I am,

Fraternally yours,

W. C. STILSON, *D.D.G.M. Thirteenth District.*

FOURTEENTH DISTRICT.

ATKINSON, ILL., September 15, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Sir and Brother:—It affords me great pleasure to report that peace, harmony and prosperity prevail in the Fourteenth District.

I have had the pleasure of visiting quite a few lodges both socially and officially. The work has been very satisfactorily performed and shows an improvement toward the standard work of Illinois.

I have also officiated at two installations and six funerals and am pleased to state that at all my visits to the various lodges, I have been

received with the greatest courtesy; what instruction I have been able to render, advice given or suggestions offered have apparently been thankfully received.

Thanking you most heartily for the honor conferred upon me, also congratulating you on your success as Grand Master, and wishing you a happy and prosperous future, I am,

Fraternally yours,

M. T. BOOTH, *D.D.G.M. Fourteenth District.*

FIFTEENTH DISTRICT.

PRINCETON, ILL., September 2, 1910.

Mr. Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—As your representative, I have visited a majority of the lodges in the Fifteenth District. I found them well officered, and doing excellent work.

This district has never had a school of instruction, and if you see fit to grant us one, we promise to make it a success.

The brethren of Manlius are making good progress, and I am sure, that considering the standing of the men, and the community surrounding Manlius, that the new lodge will be a credit to your successful administration.

Thanking you for your kindness to me, and hoping that it will return to you a hundred fold.

Yours respectfully and fraternally,

FRANCIS H. BRADLEY, *D.D.G.M. Fifteenth District.*

SIXTEENTH DISTRICT.

LOSTANT, ILL., September 13, 1910.

Mr. Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

My Dear Brother:—In submitting my report for the Sixteenth District I am pleased to say that it has been a pleasant year. I have visited most of the lodges of the district and found them to be doing good work. Our district school held at Ottawa in January was well attended and I

believe that such a school should be held in each district each year. The school at Streator held by the Board of Grand Examiners was of great benefit to our district. We have had several large gatherings throughout the district during the year for work, all of which I have attended with pleasure. Thanking you for the honor of serving as your Deputy and congratulating you on the manner in which the duties of your office have been conducted, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

J. M. HANNUM, *D.D.G.M. Sixteenth District.*

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

JOLIET, ILL., September 7, 1910.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother:—The lodges throughout the Seventeenth District have prospered during the past year, adding desirable members to their rosters, and the harmony heretofore among them has continued.

While I have not been able to visit all lodges in the District during the past year, I have made more visitations than during the previous year, and have responded to all calls made upon me.

I feel largely responsible for the failure of Elwood Lodge, U.D., to keep such a record as to entitle it to a charter last year, and was surprised and chagrined when I heard the report of the Committee on Lodges, U.D., read at the last session of the Grand Lodge. I felt such confidence in the brethren looking after that matter in that lodge that I did not consider close supervision necessary. The work of the officers on the several degrees is excellent—much better than that of the majority of lodges, so far as my observation goes. Soon after the close of the Grand Lodge last year I visited Elwood Lodge, U.D., and started the secretary on the right track and have kept close touch with the lodge since, and I feel confident that it will give a good account of itself this year.

Thanking you for the confidence you have reposed in me, notwithstanding my acknowledged shortcoming, and assuring you of my appreciation of the honor conferred in appointing me as your representative in this District, I remain, Fraternally yours,

JOHN B. FITHIAN, *D.D.G.M. Seventeenth District.*

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT.

CLIFTON, ILL., September 21, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

My Dear Brother:—My official duties for the year now closing have been limited to the instituting of a lodge at Grant Park. I am informed that the new lodge has made remarkable progress, which was to be expected considering the class of men and the manifest interest that marked its initial meeting.

My informal visitations have been numerous and the condition of the various lodges satisfactory indeed. One or two of the lodges in the Eighteenth District, whose spark has been low for some time, has taken on new life and considerable work has been done.

A project is now well under way in the city of Kankakee to build a Masonic temple designed for Masonic purposes alone. This structure, which is expected to be completed within a year, will be of beautiful design, a credit to Masonry and an ornament to the city of Kankakee.

I wish to thank you for continuing me as District Deputy for the Eighteenth District. I am fraternally yours,

N. T. STEVENS, *D.D.G.M. Eighteenth District.*

NINETEENTH DISTRICT.

GIBSON CITY, August 31, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

My Dear Brother:—I am pleased to report a condition of peace and prosperity throughout the District. Nothing requiring official action has been presented to me during the past year.

Please accept my congratulations on your able administration, and my thanks for the honor of serving as your representative in the District.

Fraternally,

L. E. ROCKWOOD, *D.D.G.M. Nineteenth District.*

TWENTIETH DISTRICT.

PEORIA, ILL., September 5, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—I take pleasure in submitting herewith my report for the Twentieth Masonic District.

Notwithstanding the intense heat of the past summer, the year has been one of unusual activity. I have attended fifty-four Masonic meetings, and assisted in conferring 129 degrees, besides attending five schools and making thirty-five sick calls. I have visited sixteen lodges in and out of my district and find peace and harmony prevailing. I presided at our Masonic trial, the outcome of which you have been advised. There is a movement on foot at the present time to organize a new lodge in the city of Peoria, and I am pleased to say that it will be composed of first-class men, and I feel that it will, if instituted, become a prosperous lodge.

Thanking you for the honor conferred upon me, and congratulating you on your successful administration, I wish you a prosperous future.

Fraternally yours,

JOHN C. WEIS, *D.D.G.M. Twentieth District.*

TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Sir and Most Worshipful Brother:—As your representative for the Twenty-first Masonic District, I beg to report I have visited and instructed many of the lodges in the district and installed officers and am pleased to say that the present Masonic year has been exceedingly prosperous.

With best wishes for your future happiness and prosperity, I am

Fraternally yours,

C. T. HOLMES, *D.D.G.M. Twenty-first District.*

TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

ALEDO, ILL., September 3, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

My Dear Brother:—I have the honor to submit my report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Twenty-second District. I have, by invitation, visited several of the lodges and was in each instance most cordially received. I find a strong tendency throughout the District to make the work more and more proficient, which fact alone indicates the interest that is being manifested.

In several instances I have officiated at funerals. I am pleased to assure you of a steady, healthy growth in our membership and that peace and harmony prevail throughout. I desire to thank you for the honor conferred upon me and to wish you continued success in the coming year of your administration.

Fraternally yours,

C. L. GREGORY, *D.D.G.M. Twenty-second District.*

TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

BUSHNELL, ILL., September 1, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Sir and Bro.:—In accordance with the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge, I submit this report as D.D.G. Master of the Twenty-third Masonic District. Immediately upon receipt of my commission, I notified the lodges in this district of my appointment and my readiness and willingness to visit them at any time. My official labors have been limited, consisting only of an official visit to Raritan Lodge No. 727, due report having been made to you at that time.

I have had the pleasure of visiting a number of the lodges, always assisting in the work, and have made diligent inquiry as to others and find that the lodges in this district are prosperous, with plenty of work and that, generally, correctly done.

By far the most important event of the year was the School of Instruction held in Bushnell last January which you honored by attending. This may not have been the largest school of the year in point of attendance, but the interest manifested by the brethren attending and the good results obtained, which have since been much in evidence in the lodges in the district, certainly testify in the strongest manner possible the appreciation of the work and instruction of the present very able Board of Grand Examiners.

With high personal regard, Fraternally yours,

GEO. D. BELL, *D.D.G.M. Twenty-third Masonic District.*

TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

AUGUSTA, ILL., September 22, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—During the past year I have visited a number of lodges in this district and assisted in the work. I also installed

the officers of Plymouth lodge. I am pleased to report that good will and harmony prevails, and that lodges generally are prosperous and doing good work.

Fraternally yours,

EDWARD M. CRAIN, *D.D.G.M. Twenty-fourth District.*

TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

DELAVER, ILL., September 10, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—I am pleased to report that during the past year Masonry in the Twenty-fifth District has prospered. I have made the usual visits, and answered such calls as have been made upon me for advice and assistance. Several important meetings have been held in the district during the past year, which have been well attended and a lively interest shown in the work and festivities of these occasions.

In February I called a District School of Instruction, to be held at Lincoln, March 16 and 17, the work to be under the direction of R.W. Bro. A. H. Scrogin, Grand Examiner. A detailed report of this school was made to you at its close. I was greatly pleased with the attendance at this school and with the interest taken in the work during its several sessions. As a means of perfecting the work and of promoting acquaintance and good fellowship among the Masons of the district, the district school is a success, and I hope to see more of these schools held during coming year. Thanking you for the honor of serving you during the past year, and wishing you continued official and personal success, I am,

Fraternally yours,

L. W. LAWTON, *D.D.G.M. Twenty-fifth District.*

TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

MCLEAN, ILL., September 8, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—The year just passed has been a quiet one in this district, from an official standpoint. I was requested to attend a Masonic trial but the Master proved himself competent to cope with the situation and so presented his case that the ballot was unanimous, both on verdict and punishment.

On February 2 and 3, 1910, we held another very successful District School in Bloomington, from which I am sure great good resulted. R.W. Bro. Scrogin had charge and was assisted by quite a number of Grand Lecturers. Six sessions were held, at which the total attendance was 469.

The small school, under proper supervision, is superior in many respects to the state schools and will benefit the membership more.

Thanking you for the honor conferred, I am,

Fraternally yours,

H. M. PALMER, *D.D.G.M. Twenty-sixth District.*

TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

DANVILLE, ILL., September 20, 1910.

Mr. Albert B. Ashley, M.W.G.M. of A.F. and A.M. of Illinois:

Dear Brother Ashley:—It affords me much pleasure to submit to you my annual report of the Twenty-seventh District.

The Masonic year just closing has been a very prosperous one, and generally speaking, the utmost harmony prevails.

It was my pleasure by virtue of your proxy, that I convened an occasional Grand Lodge at Ridgefarm Wednesday evening, December 15, at eight P. M. and dedicated the beautiful new hall erected and furnished by Ridgefarm Lodge No. 632.

It was also my pleasure to assist Right Worshipful Brother D. D. Darrah in the dedication of the new home of Collison Lodge No. 714, June 28, at 4:30 P. M. A special train for this occasion was run from Danville, carrying more than one hundred brethren, and the occasion is one long to be remembered by the brethren who were present.

The brethren of Collison Lodge No. 714 and Ridgefarm Lodge No. 632 are to be congratulated on the very able and successful manner in which they erected and furnished their beautiful new homes.

A number of the lodges of this district have held daylight sessions, which have been profitable and enjoyable sessions.

I feel warranted in reporting Masonry in this district satisfactory and progressive.

Permit me to congratulate you on your very successful administration and thank you for the honor you have conferred upon me.

Wishing you a happy and successful future, I am,

Fraternally yours,

C. L. SANDUSKY, *D.D.G.M. Twenty-seventh District.*

TWENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

TOLONO, ILL., September 3, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Sir and Brother:—I am reminded that my report as your Deputy for this District is due.

I have during the year visited several of the lodges of the district, and also met many of the brethren individually, and am informed that the lodges are in good condition. It has been my pleasure to assist you in laying two corner-stones and dedicating one Masonic hall. I have also conducted several funerals for the lodges of the district.

In only one instance has my attendance been required in my official capacity, but the matter was adjusted without it being necessary to make a report to you. At your request I, with Brother Sandusky, examined the hall of Ogden Lodge No. 754, a report of which is made separately.

Thanking you for the honor conferred upon me and with kind personal regards, I am, Fraternally,

WILSON P. JONES, *D.D.G.M. Twenty-eighth District.*

TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

DECATUR, ILL., September 24, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Sir and Brother:—I am pleased to report to you that the Twenty-ninth District at this time is in a most prosperous condition. I have visited unofficially nearly every lodge in the district and have assisted in conferring degrees, installing officers and giving instruction. The increase of membership appears to be rapid, but healthy. A very high degree of proficiency prevails in this district, and a very persistent emu-

lation is apparent as to who best can work. Likewise among the neophytes there is clearly an increasing desire to master the standard work.

Thanking you most heartily for the honor conferred upon me, and with the highest personal regards, I beg to remain,

Fraternally yours,

ALBERT T. SUMMERS, *D.D.G.M. Twenty-ninth District.*

THIRTIETH DISTRICT.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., September 12, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—Throughout the Thirtieth District, during the past Masonic year, peace and harmony has prevailed, and Masonry has shown a steady, healthy growth.

As District Deputy Grand Master, I have not had the usual requests for opinions on Masonic law and usage, indicating to me, that the Masters of the various lodges, are becoming more and more familiar with the Blue Book.

I have not been called upon to act in my official capacity as District Deputy Grand Master, except to report relative to the proposed lodge at Ashland, and except in the ordinary visits to divers lodges, and in the conducting of funerals.

The Masonic School of Instruction held at Springfield, in this district, during the past year, in point of attendance and interest was one of the most successful ever held in the state.

Permit me to congratulate you on your able and successful administration of the office of Grand Master, and allow me to express my thanks for my appointment as your representative in this district.

Very fraternally yours,

SIDNEY S. BREESE, *D.D.G.M. of Thirtieth District.*

THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL., August 31, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

My Dear Brother:—The flight of time again reminds me that another Masonic year is drawing to a close and I herewith submit my report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Thirty-first Masonic District.

I have heard of no discord in any of the lodges of the district, and therefore take it for granted that harmony and peace prevail.

Outside the usual questions on Masonic law and usage, I have not been called upon to act in my official capacity, but wherever I have visited in a social way I have received a cordial welcome.

On August 4, I instituted Ashland Lodge, U.D., with twenty-one members, a full report of which was submitted to you at that time. The new lodge starts out under very favorable circumstances and will no doubt make a good showing in the future.

Allow me to congratulate you on your successful administration as Grand Master and to thank you for the honor conferred upon me. I beg to remain,

Fraternally yours,

C. P. Ross, *D.D.G.M. Thirty-first District.*

THIRTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

BARRY, ILL., September 5, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Worshipful Brother:—The near approach of the Grand Lodge session of 1910 reminds me that another milestone in the Masonic pathway has been passed, and that a report is due from the district. The year just closing has been one of tranquility with the lodges of the district generally, but discord has crept into two or three of the lodges, much to the detriment of the fraternity. Happily, there has lately been indications of more amicable feeling among the brethren involved, and it is hoped all dissensions will soon disappear.

The increase in membership in the lodges of the district has not been marked, but most of them have held their own, and several show a substantial gain. As a rule the lodges are on a very substantial basis.

Early in the year, Hardin Lodge No. 44, located at Mt. Sterling, reported a school of instruction, and the brethren were greatly benefited in an educational way.

The dedication of the new hall of Kinderhook Lodge No. 353, at Kinderhook, May 25, 1910, was probably the most notable Masonic event in the district during the year. The brethren lost their hall by fire and with characteristic enterprize they erected a very handsome structure to replace it. The dedicatory ceremony was quite elaborate, and it was my pleasure to conduct the service, as your proxy, in the presence of a large and enthusiastic body of Masons from Kinderhook

and the surrounding country. A complete report of the event was forwarded to you at the time.

Another lodge that has been overtaken with misfortune in the way of losing its charter and furniture by fire, was New Canton Lodge No. 821, at New Canton. Fortunately the secretary had kept the records at his place of business and they were preserved. The lodge soon secured a duplicate charter and leased another lodge room and resumed business.

On July 20, 1910, many of the Masons of this district aided the brethren of Quincy in laying the corner-stone of their magnificent new temple. The occasion was a notable one for this part of the state.

A number of brethren at Pearl have signified a desire to organize a new lodge at that place, but definite plans have not been made.

There have been the usual number of deaths among the brethren of the district, but reference should particularly be made of two venerable and prominent brethren. Solomon G. Chanie, the representative of New Salem Lodge No. 218, at the last session of the Grand Lodge, lost his life by being struck by a street car in Chicago, while attending the sessions, and William B. Grimes, of Pittsfield, known the state over as "Father" Grimes, one of the oldest and most devoted to the cause of Masonry, died at his home in Pittsfield, April 10, 1910, and his funeral was conducted by the Grand Lodge. The loss of these two brethren is distinctly felt by the craft of Pike county. Fraternaly,

W. W. WATSON, *D.D.G.M. Thirty-second District.*

THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

QUINCY, ILL., August 30, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—My annual report as your Deputy for the Thirty-third District will show but little change in conditions. While one or two lodges are somewhat weak, yet, in the main, the growth has been steady and the attendance good. The interest has been active with but little discord in evidence. The exchange of visits, always productive of good results, still continues. The answers to those questions that have been submitted to me, have seemed so plain, that I have felt safe in deciding without their being an added burden to you. Mendon Lodge No. 449, suffered a serious loss by fire, but with commendable zeal and without outside assistance, the members have already established permanent quarters, even better than their old. The Masonic

bodies of Quincy have united in building a Temple, which will be Masonic in fact as well as in name. At the laying of the corner-stone, conducted by R.W. Brother Darrah, as your proxy, our own jurisdiction was not only represented by several hundred members, but Iowa and Missouri points sent good delegations as well, making it the Masonic event of the year for this portion of the state.

Thanking you for your many courtesies, I am,

Fraternally yours,

EMMETT HOWARD, *D.D.G.M. Thirty-third District.*

THIRTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

WINCHESTER, ILL., September 9, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—It is a pleasure to me to report that the Thirty-fourth District has been peaceful and harmonious throughout the year. No dissension has arisen which required official action, which is an indication to me that the brotherly spirit prevails. I have had several calls for assistance in conferring degrees, to all of which I have responded. My visits have all been of a social nature and were a source of much pleasure to me. Some of the larger lodges have made a phenomenal growth, while the smaller ones have not done so well, but taken as a whole I believe the district will compare favorably with any of the country districts.

Assuring you that I appreciate to the utmost the honor you have conferred on me, I remain,

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

R. M. RIGGS, *D.D.G.M. Thirty-fourth District.*

THIRTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

CARLINVILLE, ILL., September 7, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

My Dear Brother:—It is with pleasure that I herewith submit my annual report. I am happy to say that nothing has transpired to mar the peace and harmony in the lodges that comprise this district. I have vis-

ited (unofficially) almost all the lodges in the district and have been most cordially received in every instance. Much new material has been added and the work done right. Thanking you for the confidence reposed and honor conferred, with congratulations and best wishes, I am

Fraternally yours,

C. H. BURGENDORFF, *D.D.G.M. Thirty-fifth District.*

THIRTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

RAYMOND, ILL., September 8, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—It is with pleasure that I submit my annual report of the Thirty-sixth District. On the 22nd of June I laid the corner-stone of the high school building at Pocahontas (with your proxy) of which I made report at that time, and have done other work under your direction which is satisfactory and everything is smooth and harmonious in this district. I have visited nearly all the lodges in this district and have been received and treated with all the courtesy possible, and I find the work very pleasant.

So, thanking you for the honor you have conferred on me, and wishing you and yours happiness and prosperity, and congratulating you on your successful administration, I beg to remain

Fraternally yours,

D. W. STARR, *D.D.G.M. Thirty-sixth District.*

THIRTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

TAYLORVILLE, August 15, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—Conforming to the requirements of Sec. 3, Article 8, Part 1, Grand Lodge By-Laws, I am pleased to report that during the past year there has been no call for official action on my part and I know of no contention (but that noble contention), existing among the brethren of the various lodges of the district, which may

here be construed as meaning, that the angel of peace continues to outspread her wings over the Thirty-seventh District, evidencing that peace, harmony and brotherly good will pervades the utmost recesses of each lodge room. I have visited several lodges in a social way and assisted in the work of conferring degrees, which I have very much enjoyed. I am pleased to report that Bro. A. M. Bloxam, Past Master of Kedron Lodge No. 340, one of my pupils, passed a satisfactory examination at the Springfield school, receiving from the Grand Master, a commission as a Grand Lecturer.

Extending to you my sincere thanks for honors conferred and confidence reposed in me in continuing my appointment as your representative in this district and congratulating you on your able, wise and successful administration I beg to remain, with personal regards,

Fraternally yours,

CHARLES G. YOUNG, *D.D.G.M. Thirty-seventh District.*

THIRTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

ARCOLA, ILL., October 28, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother:—The Thirty-eighth District, so far as I have any information, could not be in a more harmonious and peaceful condition. Not a hint of discord or friction comes to me from any source, notwithstanding I am well informed of the general conditions throughout, and enjoy a good degree of acquaintance in the territory.

I have been able to visit most, but not all the lodges and have in every case received a hearty and sincere welcome.

My official duties throughout the year have been the dedication of one hall, a very commodious and beautiful structure, erected by Villa Grove Lodge No. 885. This ceremony was performed by your order and with your proxy on December 21, 1909, a full account of which was forwarded to you at that time.

I thank you for the appointment of D.D.G.M. of the Thirty-eighth District, and with fraternal good wishes, I beg to remain.

Fraternally yours,

J. E. JEFFERS, *D.D.G.M. of Thirty-eighth Dist.*

THIRTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

MARTINSVILLE, ILL., September 5, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

My Dear Bro.:—Another year has passed and I am reminded that a report from the Thirty-ninth District is due.

With three exceptions, I have visited every lodge in the district (I fully intended to visit those lodges but circumstances prevented me from so doing). I have performed the usual duties of installing officers, conferring degrees, etc. I have attended many Masonic meetings, where I have, at different times, met brethren from nearly every lodge in the district. From observation and conversing with brethren whom I have met, I believe I am justified in saying that harmony prevails throughout the entire district. As a rule the brethren seem much interested, not only in acquiring the correct work, but also in promoting the true fraternal spirit in their lodges and among the brethren.

Two schools of instruction have been held in the district during the year, namely: A three-day school in Toledo Lodge No. 834, at Toledo, by R.W. Bro. Chas. H. Martin, and a two-day school in York Lodge No. 313, by myself, at West Union. Both schools were well attended and much interest shown.

New Hope Lodge No. 620 was so unfortunate last spring as to lose, by fire, its lodge building. A new building has recently been erected, and, I am informed, the lodge has better quarters than before.

I have been called upon *officially* but once, namely: To investigate, by your direction, a certain matter in one of the lodges of this district. A full report of the facts, as learned, was at the time transmitted to you. However the matter is still pending.

Thanking you for the appointment, and congratulating you upon your success as Grand Master, I am with kind personal regards and best wishes,

Yours fraternally,

H. GASAWAY, *D.D.G.M. Thirty-ninth District.*

FORTIETH DISTRICT.

OLNEY, ILL., September 1, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—As your Deputy for the Fortieth District, I am pleased to report that the district is in a prosperous condition. The

lodges so far as I have visited, are doing good work, with very few irregularities. Harmony and brotherly love prevail in the lodges, and most of them have all the work they can do.

I have visited most of them, to assist in the work, install officers and to assist them in various ways. So far they have made no call on me for an official visit. At your request I visited Chauncey, on November 9, and reported conditions as I found them to you. Again at your request I visited Hardinsville on July 23 and reported conditions of said visit to you July 25.

On May 6 it was my pleasure to assist in a district meeting held at Robinson. On that date seven candidates were raised to the sublime degree. R.W. Brethren R. H. Wheeler, C. H. Martin, J. M. James, J. E. Glathart, J. M. Foreman, H. Gasaway, and J. I. Brydon were present and helped to make the meeting a success. These brethren were ably assisted by many of the brethren of the various lodges of the Fortieth District, and all departed with pleasant recollections of Robinson Lodge No. 250.

Thanking you for the honor you have conferred upon me, I am with kindest regards,

Yours fraternally,

W. H. RUPE, *D.D.G.M. Fortieth District.*

FORTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

ALTAMONT, ILL., October 1, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Sir:—In an unofficial way I visited almost all of the lodges in the district during the year, installing officers, conferring degrees, renewing old acquaintances and making new ones, and having a good time in general with the brethren. The lodges in the district as a rule are enjoying prosperity and harmony and good fellowship prevail.

There were four schools of instruction held in as many lodges in the district last winter under the supervision of Bro. J. M. Willard, of Decatur. They were well attended and conducive of much good, also creating a desire among the members of the various lodges to conform more closely to the standard work.

In conclusion, allow me to congratulate you on the success of your splendid administration. Thanking you for the honors you have conferred on me and with best wishes, I remain

Yours fraternally,

C. O. FAUGHT, *D.D.G.M. Forty-first District*

FORTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

CLAY CITY, ILL., October 1, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

My Dear Brother:—As District Deputy Grand Master for the Forty-second District, I am pleased to report that throughout the district Masonry is in a prosperous condition and peace and harmony prevails.

The growth of the lodges have been steady and the material added has been of the best citizenship. A lodge was instituted at Golden Gate by Bro. C. N. Hambleton, with good prospects of becoming a good lodge. The brethren at Sandoval, having the consent of the three nearest lodges have petitioned for a lodge at that place.

There has been nothing during the year requiring an official visit. Congratulating you upon the wise administration of the duties of your office, I am

Fraternally yours,

ANTHONY DOHERTY, *D.D.G.M. Forty-second District.*

FORTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

UPPER ALTON, ILL., September 10, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—I hereby submit my report for the Forty-third District. All the lodges in the district are fairly prosperous, and peace and harmony prevail. Some differences have existed, but they have been satisfactorily adjusted without friction, and in a fraternal spirit. In my visits among the brethren, I have been received most cordially, and find them in good fellowship with one another.

Thanking you for past favors, and wishing for you the best there is in life, I remain

Fraternally yours,

ENOS JOHNSON, *D.D.G.M. Forty-third District.*

FORTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL., September 22, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—I am glad that I can report progress, peace and prosperity throughout this, the Forty-fourth District. Several events

of Masonic importance have occurred in the district, the principal one of which was the laying of the corner-stone of the new Scottish Rite Temple at East St. Louis, August 6. On that date, you, with several of the Grand Lodge officers, honored our city with your presence, and the occasion will long be remembered by the fraternity in this section of the state. I was, much to my regret, unable to be present at that time, but I have been informed by many of the members who participated, that the ceremony was most beautiful and impressive, and made a profound impression on the brethren and others who witnessed it.

On the 23rd of April, acting as your proxy, I laid the corner-stone of the First Christian church of East St. Louis. The day was unpleasant, but there was a fair attendance of the craftsmen from the local and neighboring lodges.

I have not been called upon to make any official visits, but have met unofficially with most of the lodges of the district during the year.

I wish to congratulate you on your successful administration of the affairs of our grand jurisdiction, and assuring you of my high personal regard, and thanking you for the honor you have conferred on me, and the many courtesies extended to me throughout the year, I remain,

Yours fraternally,

GEO. S. CAUGHLAN, *D.D.G.M. Forty-fourth District.*

FORTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

BENTON, ILL., September 10, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

My Dear Brother:—During the past year it has been my pleasure to visit in an informal way the greater portion of the lodges in my district, and have been in touch with the others, and it is a pleasure to me to be able to report that Masonry in the Forty-fifth District is in a very flourishing condition. This, I believe, is largely due to the inspiration received from the school at Benton. If you knew how much the southern Illinois school was appreciated by the brethren and how it has spurred them forward in studying the standard work you would be very much gratified.

A few matters of minor importance have come up during the year and all have been adjusted to the entire satisfaction of all interested.

I thank you very much for the honor of representing you during the past year. With kindest personal regards, I am

Yours fraternally,

T. S. BROWNING, *D.D.G.M. Forty-fifth District.*

FORTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

BURNT PRAIRIE, September 5, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

My Dear Brother:—I take great pleasure in submitting my report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Forty-sixth District for the Masonic year.

By invitation, I have visited a majority of the lodges in the district. Some to assist in conferring degrees, and at these meetings have met officers of other lodges, and from reports received, I believe that prosperity and harmony is the rule throughout the district.

Thanking you for the honor conferred upon me by the appointment to this office, and sincerely wishing you continued health and strength to perform the duties of your great office in the future, as successfully as you have in the past, I remain, Fraternally yours,

J. R. ENNIS, *D.D.G.M. Forty-sixth District.*

FORTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

NEW HAVEN, ILL., September 3, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Sir and Most Worshipful Brother:—Again are we reminded by the ever onward march of Time that another Masonic year is drawing to a close and that another annual communication of our Most Worshipful Grand Lodge is soon to take its place among the things of the past and according to our Grand Lodge By-Laws I am required to give an account of my acts and doings as your representative in this, the Forty-seventh Masonic District for the year just drawing to a close.

In an unofficial way I have visited several of the lodges in the district and find a remarkable degree of proficiency in the standard work among the various lodge officers, but there is, however, in most cases, good room for improvement.

By your order I visited Omaha Lodge No. 723, on June 29, and a special communication of said lodge was held and their condition carefully inquired into, and a complete report made to you at the time. I am informed that they have held several communications since and conferred the sublime degree. I feel sure they will profit by your advice and instruction given in your letter to them following my visit.

Most of the lodges in the district have had a healthy but not rapid growth and so far as I am informed peace and harmony prevail throughout the district.

Congratulating you on your successful administration of the affairs of the craft during the past year and thanking you for the honor conferred upon me in appointing me as your representative in this, the Forty-seventh Masonic District, I beg to remain,

Your obedient and fraternal servant,

I. A. FOSTER, *D.D.G.M. Forty-seventh District.*

FORTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

MARION, ILL., August 17, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley:—I take pleasure in submitting my report for the past year as your Deputy for the Forty-eighth District. Nothing of importance has transpired with which you are not already familiar.

Congratulating you on your successful and prosperous administration, and thanking you for the honor conferred in my appointment, I remain,
Fraternally yours,

W. D. ABNEY, *D.D.G.M. Forty-eighth District.*

FORTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

CAIRO, ILL., September 10, 1910.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Sir and Brother:—In submitting my report as Deputy of the Forty-ninth Masonic District, have to say that I have visited nearly all the lodges in this district, and with but few exceptions, find them in good condition, zealous in the work, and striving to maintain the high standard of good citizenship which should actuate all Masons.

There has been but one unpleasant incident during the year, that of a gross violation of Masonic law by the worshipful master of one lodge, who, after a full and complete investigation, was by your order, deposed from his office, and suspended from all the rights and privileges of Masonry. It is safe to say that the officers of that lodge, will in the future, be very careful in what they do.

A short time since, there came to my notice a petition for the degrees of a young man who would not attain his majority until about three weeks after his petition would have been received and referred. This I forestalled, and would recommend that the petition for the degrees now in use, be changed to include the petitioner's statement as to the date of his birth, thus making it impossible for a lodge to violate this provision of the law unknowingly.

I wish to thank you for the courtesies received at your hands, and to congratulate you on the efficiency with which you have administered the affairs of your important office. Fraternaly yours,

C. H. THOMPSON, *D.D.G.M. Forty-ninth District.*

FIFTIETH DISTRICT.

BROOKPORT, ILL., September 25, 1910.

Albert B. Ashiey, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashiey:— herewith submit my report for the Fiftieth District. All the lodges in the district are fairly prosperous and with one exception peace and harmony prevail. One of our lodges is having some little contention over the subject of removal of the lodge to another town of which I have called your attention in another communication, but at the present time we have the matter under way of adjustment to the satisfaction of all the brethren concerned. Aside from this case this district is in a harmonious and prosperous condition. In my visits to the lodges I find the brethren earnestly endeavoring to acquire the standard work and to become proficient in the administration of the laws. I have had no official calls, the only ones being to come and assist in conferring degrees and exemplify the standard work which I have taken great pleasure in doing in all cases.

Thanking you for the honor conferred and congratulating you on your excellent and successful administration. Yours fraternaly,

J. K. WEST, *D.D.G.M. Fiftieth District.*

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS—Proposed.

Amend Section 1, Article 25, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws, so as to read as follows:

Section 1. Every lodge under this jurisdiction shall on or before the first day of August, annually, pay into the treasury of the Grand Lodge, through the Grand Secretary, the sum of one dollar and fifteen cents for each Master Mason belonging to such lodge at the time of making the annual returns. Of the amount, so collected, fifty-five cents shall be for the general fund, thirty-five for the charity fund, subject to such appropriation from time to time as the Grand Lodge may direct, and twenty-five cents to be held and employed for the purpose of providing a permanent home for this Grand Lodge in the city of Chicago, where its meetings may be held, its records safely kept, and its officers be provided with permanent offices.

Amend Section 1, Article 11, Part 1, Grand Lodge By-Laws, by adding thereto as a part thereof paragraph numbered seven, as follows:

7. For every Master Mason acting as a member of any chartered lodge in this state or who may be upon the roll of any lodge under dispensation, the sum of twenty-five cents annually shall be collected, and all of the moneys received by this Grand Lodge under this paragraph shall, by the Grand Treasurer, be made to bear the best rate of interest consistent with security, and the funds thus raised, together with the accumulating of interest thereon shall be kept separate from all other moneys of this Grand Lodge to be used by this Grand Lodge, whenever the same have become sufficient to justify this Grand Lodge in proceeding to acquire a permanent home in the city of Chicago for this Grand Lodge where its meetings may be held, rooms for its officers provided, and its property and records assembled and there safely kept.

To Article 21, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws, add: From and after the date of the adoption hereof, any brother holding a dimit for one year, without applying for membership in some lodge, shall not, thereafter, be entitled to any of the rights and privileges of Masonry; provided, that the holder of a dimit may at any time, even after the expiration of such term of one year, petition for affiliation, and if rejected shall be considered as in good standing in the fraternity for one year from the date of his last rejection, and no longer.

Amend Grand Lodge By-Laws, by adding to Clause 12, Section 1, Article 6, Part 1, Grand Lodge By-Laws, the following:

"He shall include in his annual report to the Grand Lodge the result of the vote of the constituent lodges, showing the number of each lodge voting in the affirmative and also of each voting in the negative, and this information shall be printed in the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge."

The clause when so amended will read as follows:

12. "To embody in a circular all propositions to amend the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, or any other matter upon which it is necessary for the several lodges to act, and transmit the same, with necessary instructions, to each lodge in time for action. He shall include in his annual report to the Grand Lodge the result of the vote of the constituent lodges, showing the number of each lodge voting in the affirmative and also of each voting in the negative, and this information shall be printed in the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge."

Amend Section 6, Article 20, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws:

Section 6. When a member of a lodge desires to change his membership to another lodge and wishes to know whether he will be accepted by it before severing his connection with his lodge, he shall give his lodge notice in writing of his intentions. This notice shall be read in open lodge at a stated meeting and lie over till the next or some subsequent stated meeting, when if there are no formal charges against him and his dues are paid four months in advance, the Secretary shall issue to him a certificate under seal of the lodge showing that the dues have been paid as aforesaid and stating for what purposes the certificate is issued. This certificate may be deposited with his petition in the lodge he wishes to join at any time within two months of its date and be treated as the necessary documentary evidence referred to in Section 4, Article 13, Part 2, of these By-laws. If he is elected to membership in the petitioned lodge, the Secretary thereof shall immediately notify the first lodge and the petitioner's membership therein shall cease from the time such notice is received. If such notice is not received within four months from the date of the certificate, he shall forfeit any rights and privileges acquired by means of it, be still a member of the original lodge and chargeable with dues therein. Nothing of this section shall operate to change the law regarding dimit or affiliation thereon—nor shall it be construed to permit a change of membership from one lodge to another except by regular dimit if both lodges are in the same city or town.

Add the following words to the section as it now stands: Subject to the provisions of Sec. 2, Art. 2, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws.

The section when amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Any candidate for the degrees who has been rejected in a lodge having jurisdiction may renew his application after the expiration of one year from the date of such rejection, to the same lodge, only, if it be in existence: *Provided*, that such lodge may waive jurisdiction, as provided in Sections 6 and 8, of Article 13, Part 2. The personal jurisdiction which a lodge acquires over a candidate by rejecting his petition for the degrees is not affected by the lapse of time, nor by his removal elsewhere, subject to the provisions of Sec. 2, Art. 2, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws.

Add a new article to Part 1, Grand Lodge By-Laws, to be known as Article 16.

Section 1. A Masonic Board of Relief is hereby established in every city of the state of Illinois having a population of twenty thousand (20,000) inhabitants or more.

Section 2. Every Masonic Board of Relief established by section one (1) hereof shall investigate or cause to be investigated all requests made upon it, for assistance, by sojourning members of the Masonic fraternity or their dependents and shall, if it finds an applicant worthy, extend such assistance as it deems consistent with the needs of the applicant and the financial condition of such Board of Relief.

Section 3. Each subordinate lodge situated in a city where a Masonic Board of Relief is established by section one (1) hereof shall, at its annual communication, elect one of its members as its representative to said Masonic Board of Relief or in case the lodge fails to elect such representative, it shall be the duty of the Master to appoint such representative at the first stated communication following his installation.

Section 4. The representatives of the various lodges located in each of the said cities and elected or appointed as provided in section 3 hereof, shall constitute the Masonic Board of Relief for their respective cities. Such representatives shall meet not less than once every three (3) months and shall elect such officers as they may deem necessary and shall adopt such by-laws as they may deem necessary and proper for the orderly conduct of the business of such Masonic Board of Relief, provided that such by-laws shall not be inconsistent with the landmarks, constitution or by-laws of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A.F. and A.M. of the State of Illinois.

Section 5. Each constituent lodge located in a city wherein a Masonic Board of Relief is established by section one (1) hereof shall pay annually to such Masonic Board of Relief an amount not in excess of ten (10) cents for each of its members. Such amount shall be fixed by each Masonic Board of Relief for the city wherein it is located and shall be paid by each constituent lodge in such installments, as the same may be called for by the said Masonic Board of Relief, within thirty (30) days after notice of such call has been sent by said board to the constituent lodge.

Amend article 6, part one, Grand Lodge By-Laws, by adding thereto section 5 as follows:

Section 5. The bond required to be given by the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary respectively shall be in the following form:

"Know all men by these presents that we as principal and as sureties are held and firmly bound unto the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois in the penal sum ofdollars, for the payment of which well and truly to be made we bind ourselves, our heirs, administrators and assigns jointly, severally and firmly by these presents.

The condition of the foregoing obligation is such that whereas the above bounden has been duly elected as Grand of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois for the ensuing Masonic year of said Grand Lodge. Now if the said as such Grand.....shall well and truly do and perform the duties of his said office as such Grand as prescribed by the laws and regulations of said Grand Lodge or as may be during his said term of office lawfully required of him, and shall faithfully keep and preserve all books, records, moneys and things of value belonging to said Grand Lodge, and coming to his hands by virtue of his said office, and shall faithfully account for the same when so required and shall pay over to his successor in office all such books, records, moneys and things of value, then this obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

As witness our hands and seals on this....day of.....A.D. 19...

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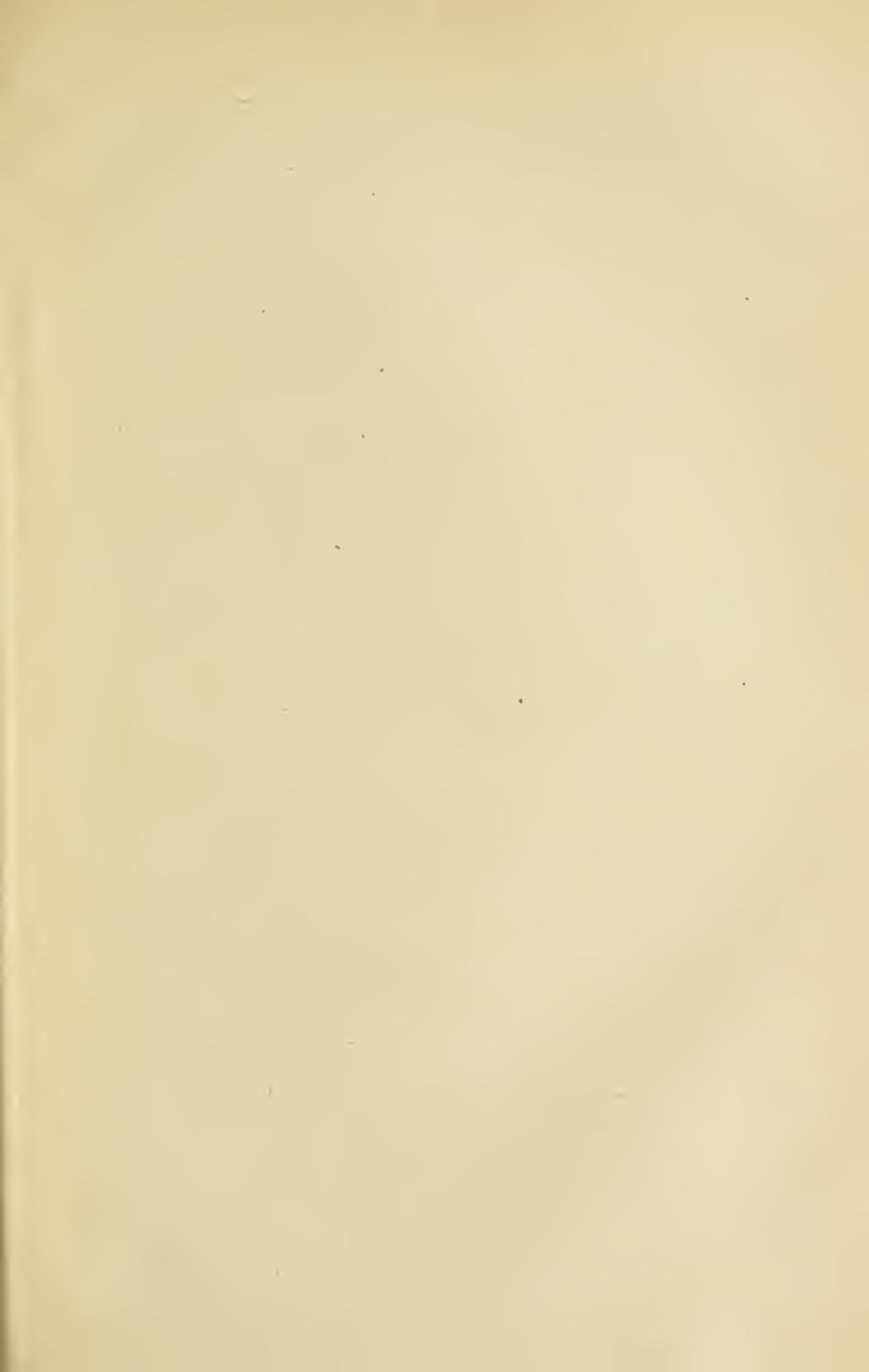
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