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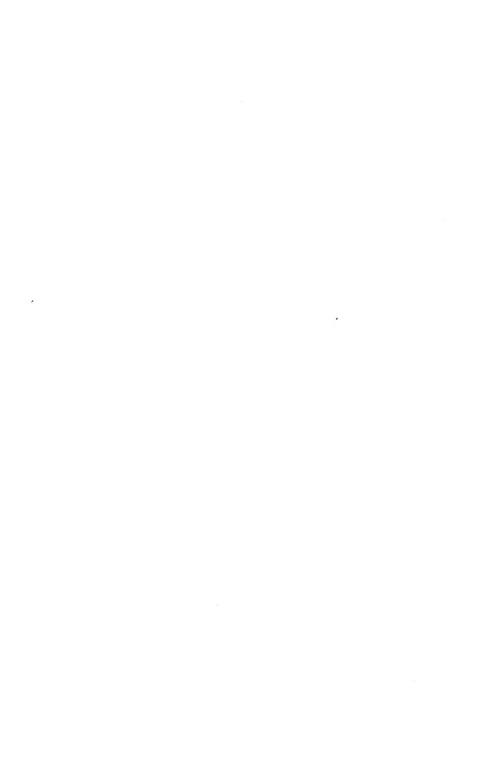
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M. W. Grand Master, 1910-1911

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Ancient Free and Accepted Masons

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AT ITS SEVENTY-SECOND 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-second Annual Communication was held in the city of Chicago, at Medinah Temple, commencing on Tuesday, the 10th day of October, A. D. 1911, A. L. 5911, 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, Rev. W. W. Weedon, led the devotions.

PRAYER.

Almighty God. our Heavenly Father, who giveth us all things richly to enjoy: all around us we see evidences of Thy loving kindness; Thy sheltering wings have hovered over us during another year. We praise Thee with cheerful hearts for Thy manifold gifts unto us. We thank Thee for Thy providence that permits us to meet and enjoy another annual session of this Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. Let Thy blessing come upon every one of us and upon the craft everywhere; preside over our deliberations: may peace and unity prevail; and may the beautiful banner of true fraternalism be carried by us wherever we go. Grant us Thy blessings, and Thy Holy Name shall have all the praise. 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 this session of the Grand Lodge:

JURISPRUDENCE.—Edward Cook, A. H. Bell, C. E. Allen, Godfred Langhenry, John C. Crawford.

Appeals and Grievances.—Montoe C. Crawford, George R. Smith, Joseph E. Dyas, Hugh A. Snell, H. H. Montgomery.

CHARTERED LODGES.—Chas. F. Hitchcock, S. M. Schoemann, P. C. Barclay, C. M. Turner, H. C. Mertz.

Lodges Under Dispensation.—H. C. Mitchell, J. W. Hamilton, I. H. Todd, John Johnston, C. H. Martin, Frank E. Locke.

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

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

Credentials.—George W. Cyrus, N. B. Carson, W. O. Butler.

Correspondence.—Owen Scott.

Petitions.-F. E. Baldwin, C. M. Carpenter, S. O. Pearce.

Obituaries.—C. W. Harriss, Authory Doherty, Grant Kerby.

Grand Master's Report.—J. E. Wooters, H. L. Browning, H. L. Manley.

To Examine Visitors.—S. S. Borden, A. H. Scrogin, R. F. Morrow, Lawrence Johnson, J. M. Hannum.

QUARTETTE.

During the opening exercises the Ingleside Quartette rendered some very pleasing selections. A vote of thanks was extended to the Quartette by the Grand Lodge.

REPORT-Grand Master.

The M.W. Grand Master presented his Annual Report. It was on motion referred to the Committee on Grand Master's Report.

Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

With the passing of another year it again becomes my duty under our laws and regulations to render an account of my work since last we met.

So far as I know peace and prosperity prevail among our 800 lodges with their 110,000 members. This is a source of great satisfaction to me as it doubtless will be to you.

Our foreign relations are most harmonious. Nothing of a discordant nature exists either at home or abroad.

During my first year as Grand Master it became necessary to discipline certain Masters of lodges and others for violation of our law. One year ago I reported many irregularities together with the penalties inflicted. Warning was given to others that they would be brought to account if they persisted in wrong doing. I am convinced that the observance of the law is the only sure way to insure harmony and good feeling among lodges and brethren. Wilful violations can not be excused without serious detriment to our institution. The warning given one year ago had a most salutary effect. In consequence my labors during the past year have been perceptibly lightened.

At the close of another Masonic year I come to you with full consciousness of my shortcomings and with grateful appreciation of the courteous assistance of the craft of our great state.

OUR RANKS BROKEN.

During the past year many have fallen in the ranks. Faces long familiar on this floor will be seen no more. Death has chosen the shining mark in this Grand Lodge as well as in many of our constituent lodges. For a suitable tribute to their memory you are referred to the report of the Committee on Obiquaries.

Before entering upon the work of this session let us pause a moment and bow reverently as a token of our love and esteem for those who have gone.

John Corson Smith.

As the old year was giving place to the new, at his home in Chicago, the noble spirit of our beloved brother, P.G.M. John Corson Smith, took its flight. His long and faithful service in the Masonic vineyard and his devotion to the Craft made him a most conspicuous figure in this Grand Lodge. His extensive travels around the world and his wide acquaintance among the Masons of our own and other lands makes his loss more universally felt than that of any other Mason in the world. It was my privilege and duty to convene an emergent Grand Lodge at his old home at Galena and conduct the funeral services of the Craft at his final resting place. As a tribute to his memory I issued the following, a copy of which was sent to all constituent lodges and to all Grand Lodges with which we are in fraternal correspondence.

From the East of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois.

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

A MASTER BUILDER HAS FALLEN

On December 31. 1910, just at the close of the old year, as the darkness of night was changing into the dawn of the new, the tender spirit of John Corson Smith took its flight. The mortal body, for years racked with pain, could no longer weight down to earth his noble soul and at last it yielded to the grim destroyer—Death.

Most Worshipful Brother Smith was born in Philadelphia, February 13, 1832. Coming to Illinois in 1854, he resided in Galena until 1874 and then in Chicago until his death.

He was a brave soldier in the Civil War, rising from the rank of private to that of brigadier general, and died from result of wounds received at the battle of Kennesaw Mountain.

By reason of his sterling manhood, the people of Illinois gave him many places of trust and responsibility. He served faithfully as Lieutenant Governor of the State for four years, and as State Treasurer for two terms, and was United States Internal Revenue Collector from 1865 to 1874 at Galena.

He was made a Mason in Miners Lodge No. 273, Galena, Illinois, in 1859, and retained his membership there until his death, and for five years was its Worshipful Master. He served as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Illinois in 1887-1888 and retained active connection therewith until his death.

In 1887 he was elected as Venerable Chief of the Masonic Veteran Association of Illinois and continued as such until he declined a reelection three months ago.

For seven years he served as Treasurer of the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home. He held honorary membership in many Illinois lodges, as well as others in various parts of the world.

He became a member of Jo Daviess Chapter R.A.M. in 1860 and served as M.E. High Priest from 1868 to 1874.

He was a member of the Council of Royal and Select Masters and their Grand Treasurer from 1889 to his departure.

He was knighted in Freeport Commandery in 1871, filled many positions in the Commandery and in 1880 was Grand Commander of Knights Templar of Illinois. Also the Committee on Correspondence from 1889 to the end of his life.

He was admitted to the Consistory at Freeport in 1873. He received the thirty-third degree in 1875 and became an active member of that body in 1883, which exalted position he filled with distinction while he lived.

Our distinguished brother was so useful to the Craft and the affiliated bodies that it is impossible to do more than give in briefest outline his connection with same. Perhaps no Mason ever occupied a more important place as servant of his brethren than did John Corson Smith. He was doubtless the most extensive traveler and best known Mason in the world.

The funeral took place at Galena, January 4th, 1911, conducted by the Grand Master who convened an emergent Grand Lodge for the occasion.

"Age is opportunity no less Than youth itself, though in another dress And as the evening twilight fades away The sky is filled with stars invisible by day."

It is ordered that this be read in full in each lodge within this jurisdiction, at the Stated Communication at which it is received and that the altar, stations and jewels be draped in mourning for the period of thirty days.

A. B. Ashley,

ISAAC CUTTER,

Grand Master.

Recorder.

CHARLES FISHER.

On June 23, 1911, at his home in Springfield, I attended and conducted the funeral service over the remains of R.W. Bro. CHARLES FISHER, Deputy Grand Master of this Grand Lodge in 1867. In the death of Brother Fisher this Grand Lodge loses its oldest member and Masonry a most worthy brother. Brother Fisher had lived eighty-eight vears. His life was upright and useful. His devotion to Masonry was so great that there was scarcely ever a meeting of his lodge during his long life as a Mason that he was not present.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS,

Following the close of Grand Lodge one year ago I appointed the following named brethren as my Deputies for the fifty Masonic Districts:

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26 Harry M. PalmerMcLean 27 C. L. Sandusky Danville 28 Wilson P. Jones Tolono 29 A. T. Summers Decatur 30 Sidney S. Breese Springfield 31 C. P. Ross Jacksonville 32 W. W. Watson Barry
33 Emmett HowardQuincy
34 Ralph M. RiggsWinchester
35 C. H. BurgdorffCarlinville
36 D. W. StarrRaymond
37 Chas. G. Young Taylorville
38 J. E. JeffersArcola
39 H. GasawayMartinsville
40 W. H. RupeOlney
41 C. O. FaughtAltamont
42 C. N. Hambleton. Jeffers'ny'l
43 Enos JohnsonUpper Alton
44 Geo. S. Caughlan. E. St. Louis
45 T. S. BrowningBenton
46 J. R. EnnisBurnt Prairie
47 I. A. FosterNew Haven
48 W. D. AbneyMarion
49 C. H. ThompsonCairo
50 J. K. WestBrookport

GRAND LECTURERS.

Following the close of the Grand Lodge one year ago, on the recommendation of the Grand Examiners, I renewed the commissions of the following named Past Grand Examiners and Grand Lecturers:

PAST GRAND EXAMINERS.

A. B. Ashley	Decatur
Charles F. Tenney	Bement
James John	
H. S. Hurd	Chicago
J. R. EnnisBur	nt Prairie
H. T. BurnapUp	per Alton
H. A. Snell	.Litchfield

C. H. Martin	Bridgeport
Emerson ClarkF	armington
Isaac CutterCa	mp Point
M. B. Iott	Chicago
A. W. West	Galesburg
Charles S. DeHart	. Carthage

GRAND LECTURERS.

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N. G. Bright
N. B. CarsonBloomington
David Richards Chicago Lawn
Louis J. FrahmChicago
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Geo. E. CarlsonMoline
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Hiram VanderbiltClincago
P. A. ReinhardPeoria
D. D. Ving Chicago
D. D. King
M. T. BoothAtkinson
E. T. Osgood
C. I. Markey
C. L. MontgomeryBlue Mound
J. S. EdmondsonDecatur
F. D. Fletcher Chatham
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C. M. BorchersDecatur
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A. I. PorgesChicago
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In May, 1911, on the recommendation of the Grand Examiners I issued an original commission as Grand Lecturer to R.W. Bro. C. O. Fought, of Altamont, D.D.G.M. of the 41st District.

CERTIFICATES OF PROFICIENCY.

For years it has been known to many that the standard of proficiency required of a Grand Lecturer in many instances had not been strictly complied with. It is also known that brethren who have been re-commissioned from year to year for a long time, could not now pass an examination under the present required standard.

Most applicants for examination in recent years are proficient. Some can repeat the work correctly who, when put to the test, cannot exemplify or teach it. The question is, should such brethren be commissioned just because they are able to repeat the ritual and have not the necessary qualifications for either doing or teaching the work?

I realized the importance of the situation and believed that brethren applying for a commission should in all cases demonstrate to the Grand Examiners that they can meet all the requirements of a Grand Lecturer. I consulted with our Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden and members of the Board of Grand Examiners for a remedy. It was agreed that a certificate of proficiency be issued to those who could pass a satisfactory examination in the ritual, movements, etc. The understanding was that when they demonstrated to the Board of Grand Examiners that they could comply with all requirements, a commission as Grand Lecturer would be issued. Some dissatisfaction with this has been manifest.

Some applicants for examination, hearing that they could not at once receive a commission, have not taken the examination. Some opposition to these certificates has been made by brethren who doubtless think they should not be issued. Most of the applicants, however, have cheerfully accepted them and seem willing to prove their right to hold a commission.

The following named brethren, on recommendation of the Grand Examiners, have had certificates of proficiency issued to them:

Sidney Beavis Harvey.Oak Park Charles Henry Crowell. Chicago Harry D. Harper..... Aurora David S. Millingan... Chicago Harry Wells Modlin... Chicago Albert J. Winteringham. Dundee Rodolph Clay Rick... Decatur R. E. Farr.... Aledo

Charles James ShawGalesburg Harvey Alfred CraigGalesburg
Adison HickesChicago
Silas WattsDecatur
Maxwell LevyChicago
Edward J. TyeRio
Donald M. Wylie Galesburg
Silas Eclipse KainOttawa

I have stated this matter somewhat at length in order that the Grand Lodge may understandingly approve or disapprove of my action. I earnestly hope that the issuing of these certificates of proficiency be continued and that brethren receiving them be required to prove their right to a commission as a Grand Lecturer before he is so honored.

LODGES CONSTITUTED.

Charters were issued by this Grand Lodge one year ago to the following named lodges, all of which have been constituted by brethren acting as my proxy, as follows:

R.W. Bro. E. W. Peterson on October 18, 1910, constituted Compass Lodge No. 922, at Chicago.

On October 21, 1910, R.W. Bro. H. W. Harvey constituted Veritas Lodge No. 926, of Chicago.

Banner Blue Lodge No. 924, of Chicago, was constituted October 22, by R.W. Bro. H. W. Harvey.

October 27, 1910, R.W. Bro. E. W. Peterson constituted Candida Lodge No. 927, of Chicago.

East Gate Lodge No. 923, of Chicago, was constituted on October 28, 1910, by R.W. Bro. Wm. H. Bied.

R.W. Bro. D. D. King constituted Avondale Nodge No. 921, of Chicago, on the 29th of October, 1910.

Molenna Lodge No. 925, of Golden Gate, was on November 1, 1910, constituted by R.W. Bro. C. H. Hamilton.

November 9, 1910, Elwood Lodge No. 919, of Elwood, was constituted by R.W. Bro. John B. Fithian.

Cottonwood Lodge No. 920, of Cottonwood, was constituted on November 18, 1910, by R.W. Bro. J. J. Foster.

Sessor Lodge No. 919, of Sessor, was, on December 27, constituted by R.W. Bro. T. S. Browning.

LODGES INSTITUTED.

I have during the year issued dispensations for the formation of twenty lodges which have been instituted by brethren acting as my proxy as follows:

Sandoval Lodge, of Sandoval, was instituted by R.W. Bro. C. N. Hambleton, D.D.G.M., November 2, 1910.

Joseph Robbins Lodge, of Peoria, was instituted on October 27, 1910, by R.W. Bro. John C. Weis.

R.W. Bro. H. W. Harvey on October 28, instituted Wilmette Lodge at Wilmette.

Hinsdale Lodge, of Hinsdale, was instituted January 1, 1911, by R.W. Bro. J. H. Griffiths.

R.W. Bro. F. H. Bradley, on December 14, 1910, instituted Manlius Lodge at Maulius.

Rock Falls Lodge, of Rock Falls, was instituted by R.W. Bro. W. C. Stilson, on January 10, 1910.

La Moine Lodge, of Brooklyn, was, on the 21st day of January, instituted by R.W. Brother Crain.

North Shore Lodge, of Chicago, was instituted by R.W. Bro. D. D. King on January 16, 1911.

vey July 11, 1911.

R.W. Bro. Geo. D. Bell on the 10th of March, 1911, instituted Table Grove Lodge at Table Grove.

Circle Lodge, of Oak Park, was instituted by R.W. Bro. D. D. King on February 16, 1911.

Pearl Lodge, at Pearl, was instituted by R.W. Bro. W. W. Watson on May 31, 1911.

Elmhurst Lodge, at Elmhurst, was, on June 2, 1911, instituted by R.W. Bro. J. H. Griffiths.

Maple Park Lodge, of Maple Park, was instituted by R.W. Bro. J. H. Griffiths on June 14, 1911.

Bohemia Lodge, of Chicago, was instituted on June 23, by R.W. Bro. Amos Pettibone.

John Corson Smith Lodge, of Chicago, was institued June 19, by R.W. Bro. E. W. Peterson.

Buffalo Lodge, of Buffalo, was instituted on the 19th day of June. 1911, by R.W. Bro. Sidney S. Breese.

July 3rd, Kenmore Lodge, of Chicago, was instituted by Bro. E. W. Peterson.

On June 30, R.W. Bro. C. L. Gregory instituted Joy Lodge at Joy. Justice Lodge, of Chicago, was instituted by R.W. Bro. H. W. Har-

R. F. Casey Lodge, of Pearl, was instituted by Bro. J. M. Morrow on the 20th day of July, 1911.

Before issuing preliminary papers for these lodges I first made, either personally or otherwise, a thorough investigation of the situation. I am convinced that every lodge instituted during the past two years will become prosperous and active and a credit to Masonry and to the communities in which they are located.

I have refused to issue dispensations in numerous cases where I thought they would either fail as a lodge or injure surrounding lodges more than it would benefit the new lodge if instituted.

I have refused in several instances to institute lodges where it was intended to hold their meetings in buildings that were occupied in part by saloons. I believe that Masonry and the liquor traffic should be kept as far apart as possible and that the two in no instance should occupy the same building. We cannot be too zealous in protecting the good name of Masonry. I should be glad to see our law so amended that it would

prohibit any lodge in Illinois from occupying any part of a building where a liquor saloon is located.

With this in view we should encourage the building of Masonic Temples to be occupied for Masonic purposes only, such as the West Chicago and the Central Masonic Temples and others, and move our lodges to them as fast as possible.

CORNER STONES LAID.

During the year corner stones have been laid either by myself or by brethren acting as my proxy as follows:

On October 14, 1910, the day following the close of Grand Lodge I laid the corner stone of Myrtle Masonic Temple at Irving Park.

October 24, 1910, M.W. Bro. Owen Scott, as my proxy, laid the corner stone of the new Masonic Temple at Kankakee.

The corner stone of the new Marion county court house was laid by Bro. Joe M. Morrow, as my proxy, at Salem on October 29, 1910.

November 2, 1910, acting as my proxy, R.W. Bro. C. L. Sandusky laid the corner stone of the Ridge Farm high school building at that place.

On the 3rd of November, 1910, I laid the corner stone of the new Masonic Temple at Ottawa.

November 8, 1910, I laid the corner stone of the East Side Christian Church at Decatur.

November 30, 1910, I laid the corner stone of the new First Presbyterian Church at Greenview.

R.W. Bro. H. T. Burnap, as my proxy, laid the corner stone of the new Federal building at Greenville, November 16, 1910.

January 18, 1911, Bro. Thos. E. Gillispie, as my proxy, laid the corner stone of the new Carnegie library at Vienna.

On January 23, 1911, R.W. Bro. Albert Roullier laid the corner stone of the new Provise Township high school.

April 25, 1911, I laid the corner stone of the new Masonic Temple at Bloomington.

May 16, 1911, I laid the corner stone of the new Congregational Church at Illini.

July 4, 1911, the corner stone of Knell Fraternal building of Mt. Carmel was laid by M.W. Bro. L. A. Goddard.

July 20, 1911, R.W. Bro. D. D. Darrah, laid the corner stone of the new Masonic building at Lacon.

The corner stone of the Harvard school building at Ardmore was laid by R.W. Bro, E. W. Peterson on July 22, 1911.

On August 1, 1911, I lay the corner stone of the First Christian church of Springfield.

August 19, R.W. Bro. H. T. Burnap as my proxy, laid the corner stone of the new Congregational church at Beardstown.

On September 4, 1911, I laid the corner stone of the new government building at Murphysboro.

On October 5, 1911, Bro, Hugh A. Snell laid the corner stone of the new Federal building at Pana.

BUILDINGS DEDICATED.

One year ago I had the pleasure to report the laying of the corner stone of our new Orphans' Home at LaGrange. I now have the satisfaction of reporting the dedication of this beautiful Home on St. John's Day, June 24, 1911, in the presence of many thousands of Masons and others. This to me was the crowning event of my official acts during the two years that I have been trying to be your Grand Master, and will long be remembered by those present. Great preparations had been made for the ceremony both by the Masonic bodies and the citizens of La Grange. Many organizations affiliated with Masonry honored the occasion with their presence by acting as an imposing escort to the Grand Lodge and the many constituent lodges, Oriental Consistory heading the procession.

Commanderies of Knights Templar, Royal Arch Chapters and Chapters of the Order of the Eastern Star were in line. The Masonic Veterans' Association was given the post of honor just preceding the Grand Lodge. The entire procession was in charge of M.W. Bro. Geo. M. Moulton as Chief Marshal. St. Cecelia Band discoursed music that stirred the hearts of all. The United Quartette of Chicago volunteered a male chorus that rendered music of the highest order during the ceremony.

Many distinguished Masons from various parts of the state were present. Among those were several Past Grand Masters, showing that, though they may be back numbers, they have not lost their interest in the noble work of caring for the children of our deceased brethren. The Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter Order Easten Star

of Illinois, Mrs. Inez J. Bender and other Grand Officers of that splendid order, honored us with their presence.

The ceremony was fully and successfully carried out, including a fine and instructive oration by our Grand Orator, Bro. W. W. Wilson. Not only were we favored with the presence of many thousands of Masons but the Great Architect of the Universe provided a bountiful rain so much needed upon our newly graded and seeded lawns. It also brought gladness to the hearts of thousands, as it nourished the thirsty earth and gave promise of abundant harvest.

On December 24, I dedicated the new Masonic Hall at Thompsonville, the future home of Akin Lodge No. 749.

On the 27th of June, 1911, I had the pleasure of dedicating the new Masonic Temple at Ottawa. This is one of the best and most conveniently arranged Masonic buildings in the state and the brethren of Ottawa are to be congratulated on this new home. I had the honor to confer the third degree in the evening following the dedication, the first work done in the building after its completion.

On last evening, October 9, 1911, I had the pleasure of dedicating Myrtle Masonic Temple at Irving Park. Inasmuch as I conducted the ceremony of laying the corner stone of this fine structure as my first official act after the close of Grand Lodge one year ago, it was fitting that I should conduct the ceremony of its dedication as my last official act as Grand Master before convening this Grand Lodge.

REVENUE.

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

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E. St. Louis No. 50	04\$ 2.00	Grant Park U.D	2.00
Edgewater No. 901	2.00	Alto Pass No. 840	2.00
Ben Hur No. 909.		Shabbona No. 334	5.00
Lakeside No. 793	2.00	Standard No. 873	2.00
Corinthian No. 875		Akin No. 749	2.00
Crescent No. 897	2.00	Summerfield No. 342	2.00
Damascus No. 888		Richard Cole No. 697	2.00
Bloomfield No. 148	2.00	Hooppole No. 886	2.00
Banner Blue No.		Berwin No. 839	2.00
Edgewater No. 901		Wm. McKinley No. 876	2.00
Ben Hur No. 909.		Creal Springs No. 817	2.00
Batavia No. 404		DeWitt No. 84	2.00
Marcelline No. 114		Mithra No. 410	2.00
Concord No. 917 .		Sequoit No. 827	2.00
Nifong No. 879		Accordia No. 227	2.00
Monmouth No. 37		Lessing No. 557	2.00
Mt. Joliet No. 37		Waldeck No. 674	2.00
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Blaney No. 217	2.00	Cass No. 23	2.00
Clement No. 680	2.00	Concord No. 917	2.00
Meridian No. 183	2.00	Herdin No. 667	2.00
Lacon No. 61	10.00	Sycamore No. 134	2.00
Lewiston No. 104	2.00	D. C. Cregier No. 643	2.00
Morning Star No. 134	2.00	Oriental No. 33	2.00
Corinthian No. 205	2.00	Hesperia No. 411	2.00
Star No. 707	2.00	Home No. 508	2.00
Apollo No. 642	2,00	Lakeside No. 739	2.00
McHenry No. 158	.2.00	Keystone No. 639	2.00
McLean No. 469	2.00	Lanark No. 423	2.00
Anna No. 520	2.00	Apollo No. 642	2.00
Hopedale No. 622	2.00	Bloomington No. 43	2.00
London No. 848	2.00	Granite City No. 877	2.00
Iola No. 691	2.00	Triluminar No. 767	2.00
Frankfort No. 567	2.00	Dearborn No. 310	2.00
Blue Mound No. 682	2.00	Harbor No. 731	2.00
Hopedale No. 622	2.00	America No. 889	2.00
Plum River No. 554	2.00	Carnation No. 900	2.00
DuQuoin No. 234	2.00	Murphysboro No. 498	2.00
Franklin No. 25	2.00	Marcelline No. 114	2.00
Pyramid No. 887	2.00	Shiloh Hill No. 695	20.00
Avon Harmony No. 253	2.00	Grand Chain No. 660	2.00
Germania No. 182	2.00		20.00
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		\$2	19.00

In addition to this I have issued dispensations to institute twenty lodges for which I have received fees of \$2,000, as follows:

Which amount has been turned over to the Grand Secretary.

OUR SCHOOLS.

Following the well established custom five schools were held during the year, as follows:

Rockford, January 10, 11, 12. Effingham, January 24, 25, 26. Murphysboro, February 7, 8, 9. Princeton, February 21, 22, 23. Decatur, March 7, 8, 9.

The Board of Grand Examiners conducted the schools with unusual efficiency, showing a standard of proficiency never before attained. A large and attentive representation was present at each school, and were constant in their attendance at each of the three daily sessions. An increasing interest in these schools is manifest.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NEAR THIS GRAND LODGE,

During the year the following named brethren have been appointed representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions near this Grand Lodge:

Cuba—R.W. Bro. John W. Swatek, of Chicago, to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of M.W. Bro. Geo. M. Moulton.

England—Wor. Bro. John Corson Smith, Jr., of Chicago, to fill vacancy caused by the death of M.W. Bro. John Corson Smith.

Florida—Wor. Bro. Chas. H. Parks, of Chicago, to fill vacancy caused by the death of M.W. Bro. John Corson Smith.

Louisiana—Wor. Bro. Godfred Langhenry, of Chicago, to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of M.W. Bro. L. A. Goddard.

Maryland-R.W. Bro. M. B. Iott, of Chicago, renewed.

Mississippi—Wor. Bro. Franklin S. Catlin, of Chicago, to fill vacancy caused by the death of M.W. Bro. John Corson Smith.

Nevada—Wor. Bro. W. J. Hostetler, of Decatur, to fill vacancy caused by the death of M.W. Bro. John Corson Smith.

Tasmania-R.W. Bro. H. W. Harvey, of Chicago, to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of R.W. Bro. R. T. Spencer.

Virginia-Wor. Bro. Frank W. Burton, of Carlinville, to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of R.W. Bro. Amos Pettibone.

W. Virginia-Wor. Bro. John T. Campbell, of Chicago, to fill vacancy declared by the Grand Master of that jurisdiction.

South Wales—Wor. Bro. Chas. DeHart, of Carthage, to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of R.W. Bro. R. T. Spencer.

Victoria—R.W. Bro. Jason R. Lewis, of Chicago, to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of R.W. Bro. R. T. Spencer.

REPRESENTATION NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES.

At the suggestion of the Grand Master of that jurisdiction on the seventh day of April, 1911, I appointed R.W. Bro. Horace W. Taylor as the representative of this Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Washington.

DUPLICATE CHARTERS ISSUED.

During the year I have issued duplicate charters, free of charge, to the following lodges to replace those destroyed by fire:

Preemption Lodge No. 755, at Preemption.

Lovington Lodge No. 228, at Lovington.

Charity Lodge No. 838, at Seaton.

INSTALLATION OF GRAND CHAPLAIN.

Rev. W. W. Weadon, who was appointed Grand Chaptain one year ago, was absent at the installation of Grand Officers. I installed him into that office in Bromwell Lodge No. 457, at Assumption, on the 14th of February, last.

Special Committees.

You authorized me last October to appoint a committee on Loose Leaf Ledger and other books used by secretaries of lodges to report to the Grand Lodge. As such committee I appointed brethren H. T. Burnap. Isaac Cutter and W. A. Dixon.

One year ago I reported to you that the act incorporating this Grand Lodge restricted lodges to \$30,000 in the amount of property that each could hold, and recommended that a committee be appointed to devise means to relieve this contingency.

You empowered me to appoint a committee of three to take such steps, during the recess of the Grand Lodge, to procure such amendments to its charter from the state of Illinois as would bring about the desired relief. As such committee I appointed M.W. Bro. A. H. Bell, M.W. Bro. Owen Scott, and R.W. Bro. Sidney Breese.

Their report is as follows:

July 31, 1911.

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

Most Worshipful Grand Master: Because the Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M., of the State of Illinois, and its constituent lodges have been greatly embarrassed for many years because of the limitation in their charter as to the amount of real and personal property which the Grand Lodge and its constituent lodges might severally own and also because of the limitation upon the power of such bodies to borrow money, you were pleased last December to appoint a committee of three, consisting of myself, Bro. Owen Scott and Bro. Sidney Breese, to consider, and if possible devise, a means whereby said limitations might be removed.

The Grand Lodge of Independent Order of Odd Fellows of this state had found itself in like manner embarrassed by the same limitations or similar limitations imposed in its charter and that grand lodge had likewise appointed a committee to serve the same purposes for which your committee was appointed.

At the suggestion of Bro. Fred B. Merrills, of Belleville, the chairman of the committee of the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows, a joint conference of the two committees of these two Grand Lodges was held in the city of Springfield on January 5, 1911.

Without now troubling you as to the several steps and proceedings, we have the honor to report that the General Assembly at its session which has recently closed, passed an act, a copy of which is hereto attached, and which in our opinion entirely relieves our Grand Lodges and its constituent lodges of all of the embarrassments which have heretofore caused them annoyance. This act which is an amendment to the charter you will observe leaves the Grand Lodge and each constituent lodge free to own whatever real estate may be necessary or suitable to serve the purposes of its organization and to borrow money in like manner as if it were incorporated under the general incorporation law of the state. The effect of all this is to remove the limitations of which we have hitherto complained. We think that our Grand Lodge is to be congratulated upon this auspicious termination of our efforts. The act as passed by the General Assembly will be found at page 241 of the session laws just issued.

ALEXANDER H. BELL OWEN SCOTT, SIDNEY S. BREESE,

Committee.

Copy of the act referred to in the foregoing report.

FRATERNAL AND BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES UNDER SPECIAL ACTS.

(Senate Bill No. 10. Approved June 2, 1911.)

AN ACT to enable fraternal and benevolent societies incorporated by special Acts of the General Assembly to take and hold property and borrow money needful and proper to serve and accomplish the purposes of their organization to the same extent as similar societies incorporated not for pecuniary profit under the general incorporation laws of this State.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly: That in any case where any fraternal or benevolent society or association has been incorporated by any special Act of the General Assembly of Illinois, and where in the special Act under which the same is incorporated or in any amendment thereto there is any limitation as to the amount of value of real estate or per-

sonal property which such incorporated body or any of its constituent or subordinate bodies may hold or any limitation as to the amount of money which such fraternal or benevolent society or association may borrow, that notwithstanding any such limitation, such incorporated body or any of its constituent or subordinate bodies may hold real or personal property and may borrow money of whatever amount or value may be needful, suitable and proper to serve and accomplish the purpose of its organization, and to provide for them respectively suitable places of meeting and entertainment and accommodations for their officers and members to the same extent that societies for similar purposes and organized not for pecuniary profit under the general incorporation laws of the state may own and hold property, both real and personal.

Approved June 2, 1911.

This committee has performed a most valuable service. By their efforts legislation has been passed by the General Assembly of Illinois that entirely relieves the contingency which has for years hampered this Grand Lodge and its constituent lodges. The result of their efforts have exceeded my expectation and to them this Grand Lodge, as well as myself; are under great obligations.

LODGES CONSOLIDATED.

Upon application and a full compliance with the law I granted a consolidation of Bureau Lodge No. 112 and Princeton Lodge No. 587, of Princeton, and issued a charter under the name of Princeton Lodge No. 587 which was duly constituted on February 2, 1911, by R.W. Bro. F. H. Bradley, D.D.G.M.

OUR HOMES.

Our Homes at Sullivan and La Grange are conducted in a most satisfactory manner by our Superintendents, Bros. Hovey and Bassett, assisted by their good wives. At Sullivan our nearly one hundred members are indeed a happy family. Scarcely a ripple disturbs the quiet and pleasant surroundings. There is hardly a member that does not express satisfaction with the Home and praise to a generous Grand Lodge for the privileges it affords them in their declining years.

Our children were removed from their temporary quarters in Chicago to their new and permanent Home at LaGrange in March last.

Too much cannot be said of this new Home building. Its material, construction and conveniences are the best. The architect, Brother Deal, or his assistant, was always present during its construction. The contractor was honest in the material furnished and workmanship. Our building committee, Brothers Moulton, Daly and Fletcher were constantly watchful. The result of the combined efforts of these have given us, in

my opinion, the best results possible for the money expended. The furnishings are ample, suitable, and a credit to this Grand Lodge.

Before leaving this subject I wish to remind you of the very kind and cordial treatment accorded Supt. Bassett and family and to the children of the Home by the people of LaGrange. Every encouragement possible has been done by them to make our Home successful.

LaGrange is one of the most beautiful little cities near Chicago and the cordial manner in which our children have been received into the school, church and social life is most gratifying.

I am sure you will be grateful at the mutual good feeling the citizens of the city in which our new Home stands and Brother Bassett and his large family.

A full report of the Homes and the details of their management will be presented by the Board and appear in the proceedings.

VACANCIES FILLED.

On January 30, 1911, I appointed W. Bro. Lysanus Caywood, District Deputy Grand Master of the 43rd District to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of R.W. Bro. Enos Johnson.

February 1, 1911, I appointed Bro. John L. Brearton, District Deputy Grand Master of the 10th District, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of R.W. Bro. John W. Oliver.

COMMITTEE ON RAILROADS AND TRANSPORTATION.

Ever since the carrying rate of two cents per mile on railroads was established by the legislature of Illinois in 1905 the Committee on Railroads and Transportation have been unable to secure a special rate for the representatives in attendance upon this Grand Lodge. After a personal investigation I am convinced that, until at least 1,000 certificates for fares are paid costing at least \$1.00 each, no special rate can be obtained. Not finding any law authorizing the appointment of this committee and deeming it a needless expense to this Grand Lodge I discontinued it. It is my opinion that the matter of special rates should be placed in the hands of the Grand Master and Grand Secretary who, it seems to me, are better qualified to reach the best results than any committee that can be appointed.

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON NATIONAL MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION.

On the 22nd day of February, 1910, a meeting of the Grand Masters of Masons in the United States was called by the Grand Master of Vir-

ginia, to meet at Alexandria, Va., for the purpose of organizing a society to erect a National Memorial to Washington, the Mason.

At that meeting this Grand Lodge was represented by Deputy Grand Master D. D. Darrah, whose report, with his full approval of the undertaking, appears in our proceedings of last year.

On February 22 of the present year I attended the second annual meeting of Grand Masters at Alexandria when a permanent organization, to be known as "The George Washington National Memorial Association" was instituted, and a constitution and code of by-laws adopted.

Among the objects of the association are:

"1st. The object of this association shall be the collection of a fund to erect and maintain a suitable Masonic Memorial to George Washington in the form of a Temple in the city of Alexandria, Va., provided that at least one floor therein be set apart forever as a Memorial Hall, to be under the control of the several Grand Jurisdictions in the United States of America, members of this association.

"2nd. To provide a place where the several Grand Jurisdictions, members of said Association, may perpetuate, in imperishable form, the memory and achievements of the men whose distinguished services, zealous attachment and unswerving fidelity to the principles of our institution, merit particular and lasting reward to create, foster and diffuse a more intimate fraternal spirit, understanding and intercourse between the several Grand Jurisdictions and Sovereign Grand Bodies throughout the United States and her insular possessions, members of this Association; to cherish, maintain and extend the wholesome influence and example of our illustrious dead.

"The active members of the Association are composed of the Grand Masters of the several Grand Lodges of the United States of America and one properly accredited representative from each jurisdiction, chosen in such manner and for such time as it may prescribe."

The following officers were elected and installed for two years:

M.W. Bro. Thos. J. Shyrock, of Maryland, President.

R.W. Bro. Jas. M. Lamberton, Pennsylvania, 1st Vice-President.

M.W. Bro. Jas. R. Johnston, S. Carolina, 2nd Vice-President.

M.W. Bro. A. B. McGaffey, Colorado, 3rd Vice-President.

M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, Illinois, 4th Vice-President.

This is but a brief statement of the organization and object of this most laudable undertaking. I am heartily in sympathy with the movement to erect a memorial to the great Washington. Great enough to free an oppressed people from a tyrannical monarchy and modest enough

to walk the checkered floor with the most humble citizen. I recommend that this Grand Lodge appropriate for this most noble purpose a stipulated sum to be paid in annual installments in such amounts as the Finance Committee may deem advisable, or appeal to lodges for contributions in such manner as may seem best to the Grand Master.

At the meeting last February it was voted to ask each Grand Lodge to appropriate \$100.00, annually, to assist in defraying the expenses of the association.

I recommend that \$100 be appropriated annually for that purpose.

THE PROPER CHANNEL.

Most Grand Lodges require that all communications between lodges of different states be sent through the Grand Master. The reason for this is obvious. In requesting lodges in other states to confer degrees application might be made to clandestine or irregular lodges. In asking waiver of jurisdiction the same care is needed. Lodges as such should not invade other grand jurisdictions to visit or confer degrees without consent and approval of Grand Masters, who are responsible for the regularity of work in their various jurisdictions.

It has become necessary for Grand Masters to offer apologies to me for unwarranted action of lodges in invading the jurisdiction of Illinois. I have felt called upon to make similar amends to Grand Masters of other states.

One of our lodges asked a lodge in another state to confer the 2nd and 3rd degrees upon a candidate, collect and send the fee. The degrees were conferred and fee collected as requested. The foreign lodge not only kept the fee but stole the candidate by having him sign the bylaws of the lodge and entering his name on their roll of membership. My attention was called to the case. When I called the attention of the Grand Master to this he very promptly required the lodge to make a satisfactory adjustment. Had the matter gone through the hands of the two Grand Masters in the first place there would have been no trouble. This is only one of the many cases I have been called upon to adjust.

Some of our lodges have conferred degrees for lodges in other jurisdictions without the knowledge of either Grand Master. This is not only wrong but dangerous.

I recommend that all business of our lodges with foreign jurisdictions be sent first of all to the Grand Master for approval and action, when necessary. This will save time and sometimes complications and trouble. It also observes the courtesies due in such cases and conforms to customs practiced in most Grand Lodges.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

I am under many and great obligations to our District Deputy Grand Masters for valuable assistance. There are but few out of the fifty to whom I have not referred important matters for investigation and adjustment. In every instance the most thorough, efficient and unselfish service has been rendered, resulting in most instances in an amicable settlement of differences existing among brethren and lodges.

The brethren who occupy these responsible positions have been selected for their qualifications and high standing as Masons. Their services have been rendered without fee or reward. As their reports show some of them have visited many lodges in their districts at their own expense. I regret that there is no provision for at least their expenses when making official visits.

There has been some little friction caused by District Deputies having made decisions or rulings, which I have found necessary to set aside. There have been cases where they have differed on some section of law which has caused confusion. This could hardly be otherwise where there are fifty, each interpreting the law as he sees or understands it.

It is no part of the duty of a District Deputy Grand Master to render decisions. Whenever a question of law arises and it is vague and uncertain he should submit it to the Grand Master for his interpretation and decision. This would avoid confusion. There have been but few cases of this kind. Most of the deputies have submitted all questions of law to the Grand Master.

IMPORTANT BUT NOT ESSENTIAL.

Grand Masters, at least in Illinois, are besieged with invitations to visit lodges and to attend meetings of various kinds. A large majority of these invitations are of a social nature which are always helpful and should be encouraged so far as it is consistent and they do not interfere with necessary duties.

While it is desirable that the Grand Master attend social gatherings it is by no means essential. They would still go on and flourish if he did not exist.

Soon after my election, two years ago, I found that to respond to all or many of the invitations of a social character would seriously interfere with the legitimate duties of the Grand Master. I have in consequence declined to accept most of them. This may be an old fogy idea but I have thought that I could do more good in devoting what spare time I had to lodges that are weak and need encouragement than in attending social functions.

UNEQUAL REPRESENTATION.

There were 752 lodges represented at the last session of this Grand Lodge, 633 of which had one, 66 two and 55 three representatives, total number of representatives 928.

Seven lodges having more than one representative are located south and 114 lodges north of the center line of the state. The seven lodges in the south half of the state had one extra representative each, the 114 in the north half had 261 extra representatives. Of these there were from lodges in and adjacent to Chicago, 221 extra representatives and 61 from country lodges. Owing to the increase of lodges from year to year it is presumed that this unequal representation is correspondingly increasing in favor of the Chicago lodges. In consequence of this, whenever a vote is taken in this Grand Lodge by show of hands, it is not a fair expression of the lodges represented. There have been instituted twenty new lodges during the past year, adding sixty legal representatives to the already large list.

It is now difficult, even in this large hall to accommodate comfortably the representatives now in attendance. Each lodge in the state is supposed to have equal representation. Under the present law, with one representative from a large majority of the country lodges and three from lodges in and around Chicago, it is easily seen that there is unequal representation upon every vote taken upon this floor.

When the law governing representation of lodges in this Grand Lodge was enacted there were but few lodges in the state and three from each lodge were not too many. In consequence of the already crowded and fast growing membership in this Grand Lodge, and the unequal representation heretofore explained, I recommend that our law be so amended that only one representative from each lodge be allowed and that each lodge have but one instead of three votes.

Chicago lodges are not responsible for this state of affairs, and I believe will be as ready to favor this recommendation as will be the country lodges.

BLAZING STAR LODGE.

On March 10, 1011, Bro. W. D. Abney, D.D.G.M. of the 48th District, acting under my authority, arrested the charter of Blazing Star Lodge No. 458, of Crab Orchard.

This lodge had been in a dormant condition for many years. It had not had a candidate for seven years and consequently had forfeited its territorial rights, to surrounding lodges. Its membership had reduced from fifty-two to twenty-three and was gradually growing less. Its

officers were wholly incompetent and its place of meeting unfit and unsafe for masonic purposes.

After fifteen months of patient endeavor to have this lodge better its condition, as the correspondence will show, and after it had disobeyed an order to call a special communication to receive a visit from the Grand Master, I concluded that the brethren were not entitled to further consideration.

Since the arrest of this charter nineteen of the twenty-three members of the lodge have petitioned me to return the charter, that they might remove to Carrier Mills.

Carrier Mills is a prosperous and fast growing city of about 2,500 people, with about twenty-five Masons living within its corporate limits, who want and are in need of a Masonic lodge.

After investigating the situation and finding the conditions as above stated I directed the lodges whose territorial rights would be effected to vote upon the proposition of removal, which resulted favorably. I, therefore, authorized the removal and placed the charter in the hands of the D.D.G.M., Brother Abney, to return to the lodge when the transfer has been made.

PROXIES.

Much dissatisfaction is manifest throughout the state, and justly so, where Worshipful Masters give their proxies to brethren who are not wardens. This has created, in some instances, considerable feeling and discord.

Our law provides that the Master cannot authorize anyone to open the lodge in his absence to the exclusion of a Warden.

Experience convinces me that the same rule should apply to proxies and that the Master should, where he does not represent his lodge, be required to issue his proxy to one of the Wardens, in the order of their rank, before giving it to another.

I recommend that our law be so amended.

CHERRY MINE SUFFERERS.

I reported to you last year my action in appealing to lodges in behalf of the Cherry mine sufferers. The appeal resulted in lodges contributing the sum total of \$6,486.24.

The following statement of the treasurer of this fund shows it to be on the 1st day of October \$6,675.24, a gain of \$189.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

LaSalle, Ill., September 12, 1911.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT.

Masonic Relief Fund for Cherry Sufferers.

Received from Grand Treasurer, December 27, 1909\$4,000.00 Received from Grand Treasurer, December 30, 1909 1,000.00
Received from Grand Treasurer, January 5, 1910 500.00
Received from Grand Treasurer, January 17, 1910 500.00
Received from Grand Treasurer, February 14, 1910 486.24
Received interest to October 1, 1911
Paid Grube & McDonald. \$6,745.24 Total credit \$6,675.24
W. L. Parks,

Secretary and Treasurer.

The committee to which this fund was entrusted report as follows:

COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

LaSalle, Ill., September 12, 1911.

Mr. A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.:

Dear Brother Ashley: Enclosed please find report of Bro. W. L. Parks, Secretary and Treasurer of our relief fund. After investigating conditions pretty thoroughly at Cherry, and upon other information received by us from time to time, we believe that the money raised by the lodges of this Grand Jurisdiction is not now, nor was it at any time needed for the purpose for which it was raised.

We are satisfied that there is no distress in Cherry at present as a result of the mine disaster, and the largest percentage of those who were, are now in better financial circumstances than they ever were before.

We therefore recommend that the Grand Lodge take this fund, and make such disposition of the same, as, in their judgment, will be the best for all concerned.

Fraternally yours,

WM. P. GRUBE,

Chairman of your Committee.

In view of this condition of affairs I recommend that \$25 each be returned to Madison Lodge No. 5, of Madison, Wis., and Lady Washington Chapter, O.E.S., of Chicago, and the remainder of the fund amounting to \$6,625.24 be deposited where it will draw the highest rate of interest obtainable with safety and held as a contingent fund, to be used by the Charity Committee in cases of emergency where immediate relief is needed.

CHAIN LETTER.

Several years ago the Grand Master of Masons of New York authorized a "chain letter" for the purpose of raising funds to erect a monument to the memory of Bro. William McKinley, our martyred President. Request was made that all contributions, or dimes, be sent to Judge Day, of Canton, Ohio. More than a year ago I took the matter up with the authorities at Washington and was informed that the monument had been completed and paid for nearly two years before and that the department and Judge Day had for a long time been trying to stop further circulation of the letter. This letter is still in evidence. Some brethren have received several. I take this means of notifying brethren throughout the state, through the representatives of lodges present, that the circulation of this letter may cease, a least in Illinois.

MASONRY AND RELIGION.

We often hear Masons say, "Masonry is good enough religion for me," or "I want no better church than the Masonic lodge."

Those who are constantly expressing themselves in this way are doing an unconscious injury to Masonry. Such expressions embitter good people who do not understand what Masonry really is. Every person has a right to his own religious convictions and opinions. Each is responsible to the Supreme Power for his soul and to the people for his actions. Each is judged by his own acts and character. "Masonry unites men of every country, sect and opinion and conciliates true friendship among those who might otherwise have remained at a perpetual distance."

Masonry interferes with no man's religion or beliefs. He is left entirely free from creeds or sectarian restrictions. He must believe in the existence of God and proclaim his trust in Him. Each Mason not only is free in the exercise of his own religious rights and opinions but he is strictly enjoined not to interfere with the religious views of others

If a man thinks that Masonry is good enough religion for him and lives a life in harmony with its professions he need not go about proclaiming it. In doing so he gives a bad impression of himself and falsifies the true attitude of Masonry. Some with a good opinion of the Ancient Craft will be unfavorably influenced and decline to knock at our doors for admission. I shall be glad to have brethren admonished not to say or do that which will bring Masonry in conflict with religion and the church.

This subject is presented from observing the effect upon outsiders when over-ardent Masons are too zealous in our cause. Not being affiliated with any church nor claiming to be specially religious my suggestions cannot be construed as resulting from over zeal for the church and its cause. I merely have looked upon the effect and have made this recommendation for the best interest of Masonry.

Donovan.

Twenty-three brethren living at Donovan, Iroquois county, have petitioned for a dispensation for a Masonic lodge at that place.

Two of the three nearest lodges, Martinton Lodge No. 845, and Sheldon Lodge No. 506, have manimously consented, and O. H. Miner Lodge No. 506, of Iroquois, object, by a vote of 23 to 5.

Donovan has a population of 500 people and is surrounded by a good farming community.

After consulting with the District Deputy Grand Master, Bro. N. T. Stevens, of Clifton, I visited Donovan and other places in that vicinity and made a personal investigation of the situation. I am of the opinion that a good, flourishing lodge can be maintained at Donovan and that the petitioners should not be deprived of a home of their own, and therefore recommend that a dispensation be granted them as soon as they have provided themselves with a suitable hall in which to hold their communications, which they are prepared to do as soon as a dispensation has been granted.

CYPRESS.

The required number of brethren have petitioned for a dispensation to institute a lodge at Cypress, Johnson county. Two of the three nearest lodges, Dongola Lodge No. 581, and Vienna Lodge No. 150, have unanimously consented and Belknap Lodge No. 822 has refused by a vote of eleven ayes to seven noes. A change of one of the negative votes would give the required two-thirds vote in favor of the new lodge.

Cypress has a population of nearly 500 people and is a thriving, growing community. There are now within its corporate limits and adjacent thereto twenty-one Master Masons who are now deprived of lodge privileges.

Investigation convinces me that a good, flourishing lodge can be maintained here without a detriment to surrounding lodges and, at the same time, give these brethren a home which they are now deprived of.

I recommend that the Grand Master be authorized to issue a dispensation for a Masonic lodge at Cypress.

IRREGULARITY.

On September 5 it was reported to me that a petition had been received by Maywood Lodge No. 869, from a candidate who was physically disqualified. The candidate was elected and initiated it seems before the defect was discovered by anyone. The degree of Fellowcraft was conferred upon him with the full knowledge of his physical condition by the Worshipful Master and others. I stopped the advancement of the candidate and instructed Bro. Albert Roullier, D.D.G.M., to investigate the complaint. The report of this irregularity and investigation came so near the convening of Grand Lodge that I did not deem it best to inflict the punishment which, in my opinion, should be imposed. I therefore request that it be submitted to the proper committee for their consideration.

I cannot think that a person could possibly run the gauntlet of brethren who presented his petition, the investigating committee, his preparation and initiation, without the discovery of a defect so plainly in evidence. The papers in this case are in my possession.

THE GRAND CHAPTER O.E.S.

Mrs. Inez J. Bender, the Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter O.E.S., invited me to deliver the address of welcome at its thirty-seventh annual communication which was held in Chicago, October 3, 4 and 5, 1911. I gladly accepted the invitation. This was especially pleasing to me, as I had held the position of Grand Patron for the years 1883-84-85. At the conclusion of my remarks Mrs. Lorraine J. Pitkin, Past Grand Matron, offered a resolution which was adopted, thanking me in the name of the pioneers and members of the Grand Chapter who were present at the sessions over which I had assisted in presiding, and asked me to extend to this Grand Lodge their thanks for the words I had spoken in behalf of the Masons of Illinois who recognize and appreciate the charitable work they are doing, which relieves this Grand Lodge of many responsibilities; and in the name of the flag under which I served six years expressed their personal approval and grateful thanks by rising.

PENNSYLVANIA'S ANNIVERSARY.

I received an invitation from the Grand Master of Pennsylvania to attend the one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of that Grand Lodge on September 25. It being so near the time of our Annual Communication I could not well leave the state and believing that this Grand Lodge should be represented on that important occasion I asked our Senior

Grand Warden, R.W. Bro. Henry T. Burnap, to represent this Grand Lodge in my place.

He makes the following report:

Upper Alton, September 29, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother: Accepting with grateful thanks your invitation to represent you at the celebration of the 125th Anniversary of the Independence of the R.W. Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, which took place at Philadelphia on the 24th and 25th inst., I have the honor to report that I attended the various functions incident to the celebration which began on Sunday, the 24th, when the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and the distinguished guests from other jurisdictions, assembled at the magnificent Masonic Temple at Broad and Filbert street, Philadelphia, and, under the direction of the Grand Marshal, formed in procession and escorted by the local lodges, proceeded to the historic Christ Church where a beautiful and impressive religious service, especially prepared for the occasion, was held. A very eloquent and appropriate sermon was delivered by the Right Reverend James Henry Darlington, Doctor of Divinity, Bishop of Harrisburg, and Grand Chaplain.

At 6 o'clock in the evening the representatives of the several Grand Lodges present and several distinguished Masons of Pennsylvania were entertained at dinner at the Hotel Bellevue Stratford as guests of R.W. Bro. George W. Guthrie, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

At 12 o'clock noon, on Monday the 25th, the brethren again assembled at the Temple, representatives of the following Grand Lodges being present: Connecticut, District of Columbia, Indiana, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Utah, Virginia, West Virginia, Delaware, Washington, Michigan, and Illinois. The procession was formed in the following order:

First Procession.—In charge of Assistant Grand Marshal, Bro. Charles S. Wood.

Trustees and members of committees.

Second Procession.—In charge of Assistant Grand Marshal, Bro. Carl A. Sundstrom.

District Deputy Grand Masters.

Grand Chaplains.

Third Procession.—In charge of the Grand Marshal, Bro. J. Warner Hutchins.

Officers of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

Orators of the Day.

Visiting M.W. Grand Masters and Representatives of other jurisdictions.

Past Grand Masters.

Bro. George W. Guthrie, R.W. Grand Master.

His Excellency Bro. John K. Tener, Governor of Pennsylvania.

The procession then moved to the entrance of Corinthian Hall, a spacious and beautiful auditorium on the second floor of the Temple where it was halted and formed in open order. The procession then passed into the hall in reverse order, the officers of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania repairing to their several places and stations, the guests being provided with seats on the platform.

That the exercises which followed were of the most interesting and instructive character the following program will amply testify:

PROGRAM.

I. Grand March—Orchestra
2. Opening of the Grand Lodge.
3. Prayer
4. Chorus with Tenor Solo—"The Omnipotence"Schubert-Liszt
5. AddressBro. George W. Guthrie R.W. Grand Master of Pennsylvania
6. Cavatina—Orchestra Raff
7. Address—HistoricalBro. J. Henry Williams R.W. Senior Grand Warden of Pennsylvania
8. Chorus—"To the Sons of Art"
9. Address—"Freemasonry and Education"Bro. Edgar Fahs Smith Provost of the University of Pennsylvania
10. Chorus—"The Heavens Resound"
11. Address"Freemasonry and Character"Bro. Samuel B. McCormick Chancellor of the University of Pittsburg
12. Overture—"Jubel"
13. Greetings from the visiting M.W. Grand Masters.
14. Closing of the Grand Lodge.
15. PrayerBro. Joseph Krauskopf Grand Chaplain

Withdrawal of the Officers and Guests of the Grand Lodge.

It became my duty as well as my pleasure, as your representative, to tender to the Grand Master and Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania your personal felicitation and the congratulations and fraternal greetings of the M.W. Grand Lodge of Illinois to which the Grand Master was pleased to respond in the most fraternal spirit.

(October 10,

At the conclusion of the program, and after a brief intermission, the assembled brethren were invited to participate in an elaborate banquet which was served in the beautiful banquet room on the main floor. This room was exquisitely decorated with flowers, foliage and the Royal Purple of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. Covers were laid for about five hundred persons and every seat was occupied. I enclose herewith a copy of the menu and musical program. Thus closed an interesting epoch in the history of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

The visiting brethren were unanimous and profuse in their expressions of appreciation of the uniform courtesy and generous hospitality of the R.W. Grand Master, Bro. George W. Guthrie, and the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and the constant and never failing attention of the committees who anticipated our every want and left no stone, not even the "Keystone" itself, unturned to make the occasion one of supreme pleasure to every guest and reflect glory on the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

In conclusion I desire to convey to you, M.W. Brother, my sincere and heartfelt thanks for, and expressions of my highest appreciation of the honor conferred in selecting me as your representative on this delightful and enjoyable occasion, bringing with it, as it did, the opportunity of meeting and cultivating the acquaintance of so many distinguished brethren of the jurisdiction of Pennsylvania and their no less distinguished guests. I am pleased and proud to be the bearer of the kindest fraternal messages and personal greetings to yourself and M.W. Bro. A. H. Bell from the Grand Master of Pennsylvania and the representatives of other jurisdictions whom one, or both, of you have met at previous Masonic functions. Gratefully and fraternally yours,

HENRY T. BURNAP.

Conclusion.

Two years ago you were generous enough to elect me as your Grand Master and a year later again to entrust me with the affairs of this Grand Lodge. I fully realize my shortcomings and am grateful for the confidence you have reposed in me beyond my power of expression.

I have discharged the duties of the high office with which you have entrusted me to the best of my ability. Wherever I have failed I crave your indulgence. If there are acts of mine that have your approval I am content. I shall surrender the gavel to my successor with pleasure and regret. Pleasure because it relieves me of great anxiety and responsibility. Regret, because it has, in many respects, been the most pleasant two years of my long life.

I have now reached the end of my journey as Grand Master of Masons of Illinois. It has been a most delightful path which I have trodden.

Good fellowship and good feeling have been on either side. The way has been filled with ardent labor for the craft. The hearty co-operation of brethren has greatly lightened my labors.

I wish most sincerely to express my profound gratitude to my associates in office by whom I have been so loyally supported and to the thousands of Masons in this state who for many years have shown me so many favors and courtesies.

REPORT-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, 1911.

LEROY A. GODDARD, Grand Treasurer,

In account with M.W. Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M., of Illinois.

GENERAL FUND.

DEBIT.

191	0.		
Oct.	3.	Balance on hand, as per last report \$64,443.10)
Nov.	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 97.75	
Dec.	5.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 318.00	
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Jan.	6.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 114.50	
Feb.	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 229.50	
Mar.	2.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 245.90	
Apr.	5.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 231.10	
May	5.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 27.00	
June	2.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 11.50	
July	5.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 214.00	
Aug.	2.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 34,164.35	
Sept.	5.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 25,291.85	
Sept.	25.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 1,208.25	
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CREDIT.

1911.

Oct. 2. By mileage and per diem paid officers and committees since last report, as per vouchers returned herewith...........\$ 3,475.20

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Bala	nce on hand	66,972.52 . 59,624.28
	Total	.\$126,596.80
	Charity Fund.	
1910.		
	DEBIT.	
Oct. 3		.\$ 37,862.89
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Oct. 3 Nov. 3 Dec. 5 1011. Jan. 6 Feb. 3 Apr. 5 May 5 June 8 Aug. 5 Sept. 5	Balance on hand, as per last report	.\$ 37,962.89
Oct. 3 Nov. 3 Dec. 5 1011. Jan. 6 Feb. 3 Apr. 5 May 5 June 8 Aug. 2	Balance on hand, as per last report	.\$ 37,862.89
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Oct. 3 Nov. 3 Dec. 5 1011. Jan. 6 Feb. 3 Apr. 5 May 5 June 8 Aug. 5 Sept. 5 Sept. 25	Balance on hand, as per last report	39,193.25

CREDIT.				
1911. Oct. 2. By vouchers herewith paid since last report, Nos. 73 to 85 both inclusive\$38,970.11 Balance on hand				
Total\$ 77,056.14				
Home for the Aged.				
DEBIT.				
1910.				
Oct. 3. Balance on hand, as per last report\$ 1,561.62 Dec. 5. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y\$ 109.00				
Feb. 3. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 140.00				
Apr. 5. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y. 140.00 Apr. 5. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y. 20.00				
Aug. 2. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y. 140.00				
Sept. 25. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y. 20.00				
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Total\$1,990,62				
				
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Sept. 5. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 10.00 Sept. 25. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 220.00 1,655.0
Total\$6,165.3
CREDIT,
1911.
Oct. 2. By voucher herewith, paid since last report, No. 358
Total\$6,165.3
Masonic Home Fund.
DEBIT.
1910.
Oct. 3. Balance on hand, as per last report\$265.2
CREDIT.
Oct. 2. By voucher paid since last report, and returned herewith, No. 360
CHARITY FUND.
Certificate No. 3360, eight shares stock of Masonic Fraternity Temple Association
Home for Aged Fund.
Six City of Chicago River Improvement Bonds, due 1915, interest at 4 percent, due January and July, \$1,000 each, numbered 1064, 1065, 1066, 1067, 1068 and 1069
March and September, No. 1722
\$8,000.0

ILLINOIS MASONIC ORPHANS' HOME FUND.	
Fifteen Registered Illinois Central R. R. Co. 4 percent 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 Ten County of Cook 4 percent Court House bonds due 1917, \$1,000 each, numbered 2863, 2864, 2865, 2866, 2867, 2868,	15,000.00
2869, 2870, 2871, 2872, coupons March and September One County of Cook 4 percent Court House Bond, due 1919,	10,000.00
number 3265, coupons March and September	1,000.00
407, 408, 409, 410, coupons May and November Eight Mattoon Township, Coles county, Illinois, 4 percent refunding bonds due 1920, \$1,000 each, numbered 30, 31, 32,	10,000.00
33, 34, 35, 36, 37; coupons May I, annually Five Illinois Central R. R. Co. 4 percent gold bonds due 1952, \$500 each, numbered 14218, 14219, 14220, 15418, 15592, cou-	8,000.00
pons April and October	2,500.00
1925, coupons quarterly	1,000.00
SUMMARY.	\$47,500.00
Securities and bonds on hands, all funds	
Total assets in Treasury	\$155,425.31

Leroy A. Goddard,

Grand Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE STATE BANK OF CHICAGO, CHICAGO, ILL.

Fraternally submitted,

This is to certify that at the close of business on October 3, 1911, the balances standing to the credit in the State Bank of Chicago of the accounts named below, were as follows:

Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M., General Fund....\$59,624.28
Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M., Charity Fund....38,086.03
Home for the Aged320.00
Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home Fund......1,095.00

STATE BANK OF CHICAGO.

By H. S. HENSCHEN, Cashier.

REPORT-Grand Secretary.

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

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 last Annual Communication for the following amounts:	since the
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To Mileage and per diem of Officers and Committees	
Mileage and per diem of Representatives	
C. W. Leverenz, expenses as Grand Tyler	17.02
Owen Scott, Committee on Correspondence	500.00
G. A. Stadler, Deputy Grand Secretary	25.00
A. B. Ashley, ordered by Grand Lodge	1,000.00
C. S. Gurney, salary as Grand Tyler	100.00
C. S. Gurney, expenses at Grand Lodge	114.37
Z. T. Griffen, stenographer	50.00
Medinah Temple Ass'n, rent	300.00
Mrs. Joseph Robbins, ordered by Grand Lodge	500.00
A. B. Ashley, expenses on Clayton trip	23.49
A. B. Ashley, expenses Grand Master's office	31.90
Palmer House, headquarters	41.50
C. S. Gurney for building	
A. B. Ashley, salary	125.00
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
Owen Scott, expenses Committee on Correspondence	5.00
C. W. Leverenz, expenses as Grand Tyler	34.26
C. S. Gurney, expenses as Grand Tyler	59.96
A. B. Ashley, salary	83.33
A. B. Ashley, expenses	17.25
H. P. Behrensmeyer, engrossing	27.50
Pantagraph P. and S. Co.	288.00
C. S. Gurney, expenses as Grand Tyler	114.37
Isaac Cutter, expenses	74.68
H. T. Burnap, expenses laying corner stone at Greenville	
	4.80
C. S. Gurney, for gas plant	боо,оо
A. B. Ashley, salary	208.33

Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
A. B. Ashley, expenses	55.42
J. M. Willard, expenses as Grand Tyler	25.62
Pantagraph P. and S. Co., printing	86.08
H. P. Behrensmeyer, engrossing	79.55
Isaac Cutter, expenses	56.02
Elmer Selby, printing	35.75
E. E. B. Sawyer, insurance	50.80
J. M. Willard, expenses as Grand Tyler	9.42
A. B. Ashley, salary	208.34
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
C. S. Gurney, for building	5,493.84
A. B. Ashley, expenses	37.10
Pantagraph P. and S. Co	2,717.96
Isaac Cutter, expenses	58.74
S. S. Borden, school at Rockford	33.70
A. H. Scrogin, school at Rockford	49.60
R. F. Morrow, school at Rockford	46.40
L. C. Johnson, school at Rockford	41.70
J. M. Hannum, school at Rockford	37.10
C. S. Gurney, for water softener	1,400.00
C. S. Gurney, for power laundry	1,600.00
C. S. Gurney, for improvement of grounds	2,500.00
A. B. Ashley, salary	208.34
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
J. M. Willard, expenses as Grand Tyler	18.87
S. S. Borden, school at Effingham	44.90
A. H. Scrogin, school at Effingham	47.20
R. F. Morrow, school at Effingham	39.50
L. C. Johnson, school at Effingham	44.50
J. M. Hannum, school at Effingham	43.40
L. J. Frahm, taxes LaGrange property	151.45
G. W. Northrup, taxes LaGrange property	92.15
A. N. Sanquist, taxes LaGrange property	13.16
Pantagraph P. and S. Co., printing	623.14
A .B. Ashley, expenses	63.90
Isaac Cutter, expenses	81.30
H. P. Behrensmeyer, engrossing commissions	5.70
S. S. Borden, school at Murphysboro	56.60
A. H. Scrogin, school at Murphysboro	59.70
R. F. Morrow, school at Murphysboro	41.30
L. C. Johnson, school at Murphysboro	54.60

J. M. Hannum, school at Murphysboro	53.90
C. C. Fager, amount left by H. A. Fager	12.50
James A. Steele, taxes Sullivan property	88.35
S. S. Borden, school at Princeton	35.40
A. H. Scrogin, school at Princeton	44.40
R. F. Morrow, school at Princeton	45.90
L. C. Johnson, school at Princeton	28.50
J. M. Hannum, school at Princeton	28,90
A. B. Ashley, salary	208.34
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
A. B. Ashley, expenses to Alexandria	65.70
Elmer T. Selby, printing	34.25
A. B. Ashley, expenses	26.05
Pantagraph P. and S. Co., printing	46.00
Isaac Cutter, expenses	58.56
C. S. Gurney, I.M.O.H. equipment	4,000.00
C. S. Gurney, I.M.O.H. electric light fixtures	1,500.00
S. S. Borden, school at Decatur	42.30
A. H. Scrogin, school at Decatur	37.50
R. F. Morrow, school at Decatur	31.20
L. C. Johnson, school at Decatur	39.80
J. M. Hannum, school at Decatur.	34.00
A. B. Ashley, expense cleaning aprons	5.50
A. B. Ashley, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
Isaac Cutter, expenses	59.58
A. B. Ashley, expenses	55.24
Pantagraph P. and S. Co., printing.	94.75
A. B. Ashley, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	
A. B. Ashlev, salary	250.00
Isaac Cutter, salary	208.33
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L. A. Goddard, salary Chas. Tegtmeier, error in rebate	200.00
W. W. Watson, expenses	6.08
Pantagraph P. and S. Co., printing	283.91
H. P. Behrensmeyer, engrossing	3.20
Isaac Cutter, expenses	9.17
J. M. Willard, expenses as Grand Tyler	7.63
Pantagraph P. and S. Co., printing	214.91
A. B. Ashley, expenses	33.05
E. T. Selby, printing	29.00

Isaac Cutter, expenses	26.00
A. B. Ashley, expenses	35.37
Owen Scott, expense Committee on Correspondence	10.00
C. H. Thompson, expenses	14.43
John R. Pope, Masonic Relief Ass'n	508.46
A. B. Ashley, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
G. J. Kurzenknabe, band	182,20
Pantagraph P. and S. Co., printing	346.80
H. P. Behrensmeyer, engrossing	2.50
Isaac Cutter, expenses	76.83
A. B. Ashlev, expenses	54.28
L. A. Goddard, expenses	15.96
J. M. Willard, expenses as Grand Tyler	32.91
Owen Scott, expenses	13.00
H. T. Burnap, expenses	19.46
D. D. Darrah, expenses	3.10
E. W. Peterson, expenses	4.25
A. B. Ashley, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
J. M. Willard, expenses as Grand Tyler	250.00
E. T. Selby, printing	18.25
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Pantagraph P. and S. Co., printing	51.89
Isaac Cutter, expenses	57.25
A. B. Ashley, expenses	34.90
H. T. Burnap, expenses	6.86
J. M. Willard, expenses as Grand Tyler	12.44
A. B. Ashley, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
E. M. Crain, expenses	4.00
A. B. Ashley, expenses	28.40
Isaac Cutter, expenses	69.10
E. T. Selby, printing	32.50
Pantagraph P. and S. Co., printing	6.50
J. M. Willard, expenses as Grand Tyler	17.35
L. A. Goddard, salary	200.00
A. B. Ashley, salary	208.34
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
A. B. Ashley, expenses	44.15

CHARITY FUND.

L. M. Crow, for Wm. A. Hammond\$ 100,00
Maintenance Illinois Masonic Home
Maintenance I.M.O.H
Zentner Bros., rent
Zentner Bros., rent
John G. Melvin for John Campbell
Zentner Bros., rent
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Zentner Bros., rent
Zentner Bros., rent
Maintenance Illinois Masonic Home
Maintenance I.M.O.H
W. L. Darner for Wm. Harris 50.00
Mrs. Andrew Orme
\$38,970.11
ILLINOIS MASONIC ORPHANS' HOME FUND.
C. S. Gurney, for building
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ILLINOIS MASONIC HOME.
C. S. Gurney, building
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HOME FOR AGED FUND.
C. S. Gurney, building\$1,670.62

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	8 249 30	Whitehall	80	\$ 73 80
Equality	2	33 30	Vitruvius	81	64 80
Harmony	3	198 00	DeWitt	84	165 60
Springfield	4	212 40	Mitchell	85	95 40
Friendship	7	207 90	Kaskaskia	86	27 00
Macon	8	561 60	Mt. Pulaski	87	74 70
Rushville	9	88 20	Havana	88	96 30
St. Johns	13	113 40	Fellowship	89	113 40
Warren	14	61 20	Jerusalem Temple	90	239 40
Peoria	15	533 70	Metropolis	91	101 70
Temperance	16	79 20	Stewart	93	130 50
Macomb	17	168 30	Toulon	93	72 90
Clinton	19	161 10	Perry Samuel H. Davis	95 96	57 60
Hancock	20 23	140 40	Excelsior	97	68 40 338 40
Cass St. Clair	24	141 30	Taylor	98	81 90
Franklin	25	81 00	Edwardsville	99	125 10
Piasa	27	152 10	Astoria	100	72 90
Pekin	29	102 60	Rockford	102	342 00
Mt. Vernon	31	144 00	Magnolia	103	75 60
Oriental	33	488 70	Lewistown	104	81 00
Barry	34	104 40	Winchester	105	60 30
Charleston	35	167 40	Lancaster	106	97 20
Kavanaugh	36	54 00	Versailles	108	53 10
Monmouth	37	158 40	Trenton	109	43 20
Olive Branch	38	407 70	Lebanon	110	49 50
Herman	39	117 90	Jonesboro	111	63 00
Occidental	40	216 90	Robert Burns	113	95 40
Mt. Joliet	42	375 30	Marcelline	114	50 40
Bloomington	43	290 70	Rising Sun	115	86 40
Hardin	44	106 20 66 60	Vermont	116	48 60
Griggsville	45 46	803 70	Elgin	117 118	311 40 81 90
Temple Caledonia	47	43 20	Waverly	119	71 10
Unity	48	89 10	Mound	122	145 80
Cambridge	49	71 10	Oquawka	123	54 90
Carrollton	50	128 70	Cedar	124	142 20
Mt. Moriah	51	108 90	Greenup	125	48 60
Benevolent	52	55 80	Empire	126	115 20
Jackson	53	129 60	Antioch	127	70 20
Washington	55	63 00	Raleigh	128	51 30
<u>T</u> rio	57	258 30	Greenfield	129	70 20
Fraternal	58	107 10	Marion	130	127 80
New Boston	59	79 20	Golconda	131	76 50
Belvidere	60	251 10	Mackinaw	132	49 50
Lacon	61	70 20	Marshall	133	103 50
St. Marks	63	108 90 102 60	Sycamore	134	162 00
Benton	64	99 90	Lima	135 136	52 20 29 70
Pacific	66	63 90	Hutsonville	137	90 90
Acacia	67	142 20	Marengo	138	73 80
Eureka	69	57 60	Geneva	139	80 10
Central	71	240 30	Olney	140	100 80
Chester	72	56 70	Garden City	141	1294 20
Rockton	74	85 50	Ames	142	59 40
Roscoe	75	73 80	Richmond	143	67 50
Mt. Nebo	76	107 10	DeKalb	144	161 10
Prairie	77	266 40	A. W. Rawson	145	66 60
Waukegan	78	358 20	Lee Center	146	55 80
Scott	79	59 40	Clayton	147	63 90

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Bloomfield	148	\$ 131 40	Geo. Washington	222	\$ 108 00
Effingham	149	76 50	Pana	226	193 50
Vienna	150	74 70	Columbus	227	24 30
Bunker Hill	151 152	72 00 50 40	Lovington	228	92 70 45 00
Fidelity Clay	153	78 30	New Haven	230	60 30
Russell	154	87 30	Wyanet	231	42 30
Alpha	155	161 10	Farmers	232	61 80
Delavan	156	81 00	Blandinsville	233	90 00
Urbana	157	306 00	DuQuoin	234	103 60
McHenry	158	81 00	Dallas City	235 236	79 20
Kewanee Waubansia	159 160	171 00 327 60	Charter Oak	237	90 00 190 80
Virden	161	106 20	Black Hawk	238	57 60
Норе		81 00	Mt. Carmel	239	164 70
Edward Dobbins	164	98 10	Western Star	240	345 60
Atlanta	165	80 10	Shekinah	241	162 90
Star in the East		412 20	Galya	243	124 20
Milford	168	74 70	Horicon	244	103 50
Nunda Evergreen	169 170	72 00 166 50	Greenville	245 246	95 40
Girard		86 40	Rob Morris	247	64 80
Wayne	172	45 90	Golden Gate	248	57 60
Cherry Valley		50 40	Hibbard	249	39 60
Lena	174	62 10	Robinson	250	126 00
Matteson	175	360 90	Heyworth	251	88 20
Mendota	176	98 10	Aledo	252	128 70
Staunton Illinois Central	177 178	143 10 108 00	Avon Harmony	253 254	39 60 296 10
Wabash		35 10	Donnelson	255	40 50
Ioweaqua	180	64 80	Warsaw	257	57 60
Germania		315 90	Mattoon	260	261 00
Meridian	183	47 70	Amon	261	38 70
Abingdon		00 18	Channahon	563	36 00
Mystic Tie		73 80	Illinois	263 264	385 20
Cyrus Enlton City		83 70 71 10	Franklin Grove	265	29 70 44 10
Fulton City Dundee	190	148 50	Kingston	266	50 40
Farmington	192	107 10	La Prairie	267	43 30
Herrick	193	27 00	Paris	268	189 90
Freedom	194	45 (0	Wheaton	269	124 20
_a Harpe	195	129 60	Levi Lusk	270	24 30
Louisville	196	69 30	Blaney	271 272	232 20
King Solomon's Homer	197 199	52 20 84 60	Miners	273	148 50
sheba	200	51 30	Byron	274	65 70
Centralia	201	201 60	Milton	275	51 30
∡avely	203	64 80	Elizabeth	276	28 80
clora	204	74 70	Accordia	277	169 20
Corinthian	205	56 70	Jo Daviess	278	130 50
Fairfield	206	111 60	Neoga	279 280	95 40 57 60
lamaroa Vilmington	208	46 ° 0 86 40	Kansas Brooklyn	282	61 20
Vm. B. Warren	209	443 70	Meteor	283	90 90
ogan	210	176 40	Catlin	285	103 50
Cleveland	211	626 40	Plymouth	286	58 50
Shipman	212	48 60	De Soto	287	109 80
pava	213	81 90	Genoa	288	94 50
Hillespie	214	71 10	Wataga	291 292	33 30
Newton Mason	216 217	79 20 49 £0	ChenoaProphetstown	293	89 10 64 80
New Salem	217	32 40	Pontiac	294	162 90
Dakland	219	99 90	Dills	295	39 60
Mahomet	220	39 60	Quincy	296	183 60
Jeroy		73 80	Benjamin		102 60

LODGE DU	ES F	OR THE	YEAR 1911.—Continued.		
LODGES.	NO.	DUES.	LODGES.	NO.	DUES.
Wanconda	298	\$ 48 60	Liberty	380	\$ 36 90
Hinckley	301	81 90	Gill.	382	27 90
Durand	302	56 7L	LaMoille	383	54 90
Raven	303	45 90	Waltham	384	51 30
Onarga	305	67 50	Mississippi	385	147 60
W. C. Hobbs	306 307	79 20	Bridgeport	386	98 10
T. J. Pickett	308	99 00 614 70	El Dara	388	39 60
Ashlar Harvard	309	146 70	Kankakee	389 390	232 20 58 50
Dearborn	310	674 10	Tolono	391	89 10
Kilwinning	311	644 60	Oconee	392	40 50
Ionic	312	435 60	Blair	393	504 90
York	313	78 30	Jerseyville	394	105 30
Palatine	314	84 60	Muddy Point	396	30 60
Abraham Jonas	316	35 10	Shiloh	397	39 60
J. L. Anderson	319	86 40	Kinmundy	398	90 (0
Doric	320	27J 00 45 00	Buda Odell	399 401	39 60 48 60
Dunlap	321	96 30	Kishwaukee	402	43 20
Windsor	322	72 90	Mason City	403	105 30
Orient	323	31 50	Batavia	404	103 50
Harrisburg	325	150 30	Ramsey	405	6 ₹ 90
Industry	327	49 50	Bethalto	406	27 00
Altona	330	46 80	Stratton	408	63 00
Mt. Erie	331 332	33 30 115 20	Thos. J. Turner	409	352 50
Tuscola Tyrian	333	212 40	MithraHesperia	410	146 70 634 50
Sumner	334	93 60	Bollen.	412	22 50
Schiller	335	123 30	Evening Star		36 90
New Columbia	336	63 9.1	Lawn Ridge	415	36 00
Oneida	337	61 20	Paxton	416	104 40
Saline	339	49 50	Marseilles	417	100 80
Kedron	340 341	44 10	Freeburg	418	37 80
Full Moon	342	59 40 19 80	Reynoldsburg	419	28 80
Wenona	344	44 10	Oregon	420 421	147 60 48 60
Milledgeville	345	79 20	Landmark	422	458 10
N. D. Morse	346	31 50	Lanark	423	62 10
Sidney	347	45 90	Exeter	424	27 90
Russellville	348	49 50	Scottville	426	67 50
Sublette	349 350	24 30	Red Bud	427	28 80
Fairview		54 00 127 80	SunbeamChebanse	428 429	77 40
Groveland	352	34 2	Kendrick	430	46 80 40 50
Kinderhook	353	37 80	Summit		76 50
Ark and Anchor	354	72 00	Murrayville	432	48 60
Marine	355	40 50	Annawan	433	62 10
Hermitage	356	67 50	Makanda	434	54 00
Orion	358	32 40	Philo	436	62 10
Blackberry Princeville	359 360	84 d0 80 10	Chicago	437	507 60
Douglas	361	37 80	CamargoSparland	440 441	54 00 41 40
Noble	362	43 20	Casey		90 00
Horeb	363	75 60	Hampshire	443	81 00
Tonica	364	55 80	Cave-in-Rock	444	41 40
Bement	365	86 40	Chesterfield	445	39 60
Arcola	366	117 00	Watseka	446	129 60
Oxford Jefferson	367 368	52 20	S. D. Monroe	447	25 10
Newman	369	34 20 81 90	Yates City	448 449	56 70 53 10
Livingston	371	84 60	Loami		53 10 57 60
Chambersburg	373	18 00	Bromwell	451	63 90
Shabbona	374	62 10	New Hartford	453	37 80
Aroma	378	41 40	Maroa	454	93 60
Payson	379	80 10	Irving	455	46 80

LODGES.	NO.	DUES.	LODGES.	NO.	DUES.
N. A	456	\$ 97 20	Ashton	531	8 63 00
Nokomis	460	42 30	Seneca	532	47 70
Plainview	461	33 40	Altamont	533	37 80
Tremont	462	37 80	Cuba	534	67 50
Palmyra	463	63 00	Sherman	535	57 60
Denver	464	39 60	Plainfield	536	105 30
Huntsville	465	36 90	J. R. Gorin	537	45 00
Cobden	466	53 10	Lockport	538	117 90
South Macon	467	88 20 44 10	Chatsworth	539 540	30 60 502 20
Cheney's Grove	469	81 00	Oak ParkStewardson	541	19 80
McLean Rantoul	470	75 60	Towanda	542	23 40
Kendall	471	83 70	Cordova	543	23 40
Amity	472	113 40	Virginia	544	82 80
Gordon	473	36 00	Valley	547	54 90
Columbia	474	50 40	Sharon	550	66 60
Walshville	475	9 90	Long Point	553	17 10
Manito	476	39 60	Plum River	554	123 40
Rutland	477	53 10 774 90	Humboldt	555	132 30
Pleiades	478	96 30	Dawson	556 557	52 20 198 00
Wyoming	100	103 50	LessingLeland	558	41 40
Momence Lexington		61 20	Thomson	559	28 80
Edgewood	484	46 80	Madison	560	29 70
Xenia	485	30 60	Trinity	563	97 20
Bowen	486	49 50	Winslow	564	48 60
Andrew Jackson	487	18 00	Pleasant Hill	565	30 60
Clay City	488	76 50	Albany	566	73 80
Cooper	489	45 00	Frankfort	567	51 30
Shannon	490 491	56 70 26 10	Time	569 570	27 00 145 80
Martin	491	138 60	Jacksonville Bardolph	572	35 10
Libertyville	493	62 10	Gardner	573	89 10
Power Hill Stone Fort	495	69 30	Pera	574	40 50
Colchester	496	70 20	Capron	575	72 00
Alma	497	55 80	O'Fallon	576	58 50
Murphysboro	498	134 10	Viola	577	58 50
St. Paul	500	248 40	Prairie City	578	36 90
Stark	501	37 80	Hazel Dell	580	36 00
Woodhull	502	52 20 45 90	Dongola	581 582	38 70 45 90
Odin East St. Louis	504	306 00	Shirley	583	53 10
Meridian Sun	505	85 50	Vesper	584	179 1
O. H. Miner	506	68 40	Fisher	585	33 3
Home	508	419 10	Princeton	587	173 70
Parkersburg	509	28 80	Troy	588	27 9
J. D. Moody	510	25 20	Fairmount	590	64 8
Wade-Barney	512	237 60	Gilman	591	78 3
Bradford	514	40 50	Fieldon	592	23 4 51 3
Andalusia		62 10 77 40	Miles Hart	595 600	96 3
Litchfield Abraham Lincoln	517	61 20	Cerro Gordo	601	53 1
Roseville		53 10	Watson	602	28 8
Anna	520	109 80	Clark	603	108 0
Illiopolis	521	71 10	Hebron	604	71 1
Monitor	522	374 40	Streator	607	220 5
Chatham	523	63 90	Piper	608	74 7
Evans		432 00	Sheldon	609	81 0
Delia	525	15 30	Union Park	610	941 4
Covenant	526	852 30	Lincoln Park	611	602 1
Rossville		114 30 49 50	Rock River	613	249 3 57 6
Minooka Adams		30 60	Forrest		64 8
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LODGES.	NO.	DUES.	LODGES.	NO.	DUES.
Good Hope	617	\$ 58 50	Ewing	705	\$ 35 10
Basco	618	14 40	Joppa	706	81 00
New Hope	620	22 50	Star	709	162 00
Hopedale	622 623	50 40 26 10	Farmer City	710	75 60
Locust Union	627	31 50	Providence	711 712	217 80 98 10
Tuscan	630	54 90	Johnsonville	713	61 20
Norton	631	45 90	Collison	714	75 60
Ridge Farm	632	88 20	Elvaston	715	20 70
E. F. W. Ellis	633 6 34	166 50 16 20	Calumet	716	253 80
Buckley Rochester	635	39 90	May	717 718	603 00 27 90
Peotone	636	78 30	Chapel Hill	719	25 20
Keystone	639	439 20	Rome	721	58 50
Comet	641	60 30	Walnut	722	90 00
Apollo.	642 643	550 80	Omaha	723	27 00
D. C. Cregier Oblong City	644	561 60 96 30	Chandlerville	724 725	74 70 60 30
San Jose	645	30 60	Golden Rule	726	814 50
Somonauk	646	90 00	Raritan	727	31 50
Blueville	647	65 70	Waterman	728	30 60
Camden	648	76 50	Lake Creek	729	67 50
Greenview	$651 \\ 653$	72 90 78 30	Eldorado Harbor	730 731	64 80 411 30
Yorktown	655	81 90	Carman	732	20 70
Mozart	656	78 30	Gibson	733	108 00
Lafayette	657	20 70	Morning Star	734	234 90
Rock Island	658	243 90	Sheridan	735	77 40
Grand Chain	659 660	259 20 27 90	Arrowsmith	737 738	32 40 63 00
South Park	662	369 00	Lakeside	739	352 80
Mayo	664	24 30	New Holland	741	27 90
Beecher City	665	29 70	Danvers	742	51 30
Crawford	666 667	62 10	Scott Land	743	40 50
Erie Burnt Prairie	668	45 90 51 30	Goode	744 745	73 80 50 40
Herder	669	249 30	Weldon	746	48 60
Fillmore	670	57 60	Centennial	747	45 00
Eddyville	672	27 90	Alta	748	60 30
Normal	673	83 70	Akin	749	54 (0
Waldeck Pawnee	$674 \\ 675$	254 70 96 30	Lyndon Lounsbury	750 751	49 50 71 10
A. O. Fay	676	234 00	Allendale	752	41 40
Enfield	677	63 00	Ogden	754	102 90
Buffalo Prairie	679	83 70	Pre-emption	755	72 00
Clement	$680 \\ 681$	54 90 73 80	Hardinsville Verona	756 757	75 60 64 80
Blue Mound	682	86 40	Mystic Star	758	691 20
Burnside	683	72 90	Orel	759	66 60
Galatia	684	48 60	Sibley	761	34 20
Rio	685	88 20	Van Meter	762	83 70
Garfield Orangeville	686 687	765 9 1 52 20	Crete Sullivan	763 764	61 20 161 10
Clifton	688	52 20	Palace	765	284 40
Englewood	690	809 10	Littleton	766	29 70
Iola	691	25 20	Triluminar	767	367 20
Raymond	692	54 (0	Mizpah	768	509 40
Herrin's Prairie Shiloh Hill	693 695	140 40 31 50	St. ElmoLaGrange	769 770	78 30 297 90
Belle Rive	696	48 60	Bay City	771	23 40
Richard Cole	697	457 20	New Burnside	772	26 10
Hutton	698	45 00	Mansfield	773	45 90
Pleasant Plains	700	58 50	Lake View	774	639 90
Temple HillAlexandria	701 702	31 50 73 80	Grand Crossing	776 777	417 70
Braidwood		204 30	Ravenswood	778	48 60

LODGES.	NO.	DUES.	LODGES.	NO.	DUES.	
Wright's Grove	779	\$ 442 80	West Gate	856	8 41	
Siloam	780	452 70	Boyd D	857	56	
Potomac	782	69 30	Utica	858	27	
Constantia	783	262 80	Apple River	859	42	
Beacon Light	784	135 90	Metropolitan	860	400	
Riverton Union	786	81 00	Sorento	861	10	
dorris	787	78 30	Riverside	862	89	
Jerna	788	48 60	St. Andrews	863	359	
Auburn Park	789	450 (0	Olympia	864	436	
Pittsfield	790	100 80	St. Cecilia	865	264	
Broadlands	791	63 90	West Salem	866	48	
alhoun		39 60	Chadwick	867	61	
T. Darrah	793	38 70	Cornell	868	25	
admor	794	23 40	Maywood	869	239	
fyrtle	795	296 10	Lostant	870	46	
E. M. Husted	796	66 60	Argenta	871	58	
Sormal Park	797	609 30	Free Will	872	45	
idell	798	53 10	Standard	873	416	
olfax	799	54 00	Nifong	874	33	
Kenwood	800	666 90	Compositions	875	217	
	801	45 90	Cornerstone William McKinley	610		
angamon	802	93 60	William McKilley	876	280	
Villiamson			Granite City	877	108	
Tepouset	803	43 20	Equity	878	329	
Censington	804	270 90	Composite	879	215	
M. Dalzell	805	113 40	John B. Sherman	880	270	
Sebo	806	47 70	Marissa	881	45	
Royal	807	32 40	Boulevard	882	435	
ornland	808	63 90	Wheeler	883	24	
illham	809	36 90	Bethany	884	47	
racy	810	175 50	Villa Grove	885	77	
Ielvin	811	53 10	Hooppole	886	18	
DeLand	812	27 00	Pyramid	887	50	
Iumboldt Park	813	539 10	Dama-cus	888	179	
Ohio	814	18 90	America	889	317	
Lawn	815	192 60	Des Plaines	890	82	
Ridgway	816	38 70	ILOGAII SQUATE	891	275	
Creal Springs	817	69 30	Constellation	892	305	
Ben Hur	818	328 50	Loraine	. 893	41	
Columbian	819	415 80	Utopia	894	140	
Henderson	820	55 80	Crescent	895	270	
Yew Canton	821	54 90	Kosmos	896	184	
Belknap	833	61 20	Ogden Park	897	207	
Pearl	823	51 30	Silvis	898	81	
Grove	821	150 30	Park Manor	899	216	
Arthur	825	68 40	Carnation	900	164	
fazon	826	74 70	Edgewater	901	253	
Sequoit	827	68 40		902	27	
Edgar	829	69 30		903	36	
Edgar	830	50 40		904	36	
Rockport	831	80 10		905	36	
dindlay	832	178 20		906	21	
larvey	833			907	172	
Dean	834	35 10 69 30		908	90	
l'oledo				909	108	
riple	835	72 00	Bee Hive	910	42	
Vindsor Park		231 30	Hull			
lindsboro	837	90 00		911	27	
harity	838	40 50		912	25	
serwyn	839	167 40		913	104	
Alto Pass	840	38 70	Republic	914	87	
Voodland Park	841	529 20		915	99	
cides	842	162 90		916	170	
?ark	843	378 90	Concord	917	94	
Martonton	845	50 40	Sesser	918	27	
31uffs	846	36 00	Elwo d	919	34	
stronghurst	847	41 40	Cottonwood	920	23	
ondon	848	34 20	Avondale	921	113	
Palestine	849	70 20	Compass	922	74	
Austin	850	549 00	East Gate	923	182	
Chicago Heights	851	171 90	Banner Blue	924	117	
Pothic	852	234 90	Molenua	925	29	
Satham	853	54 00	Veritas	926	175	
Brighton Park	854	198 00	Candida	927	71	

Dues Preceding Years.

Lodge No.	Amount.	Lodge No.	Amount.
8	\$ 0.90	578	
27	9.90	580	
20		604	3.60
66	2.70	642	1.80
75	90	670	
104	90	672	
138	3.60	714	
157	90	727	8.10
194	-	723	3.60
253	1.80	756	
260		774	
274	_	784	
282	-	804	
309	•	809	
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335 448		840	
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497		856	
501		885	,
519		898	
526		907	
533		911	
534		918	
552	90	672	
			\$241.20
	D	Lodges U.D.	\$241.20
	DUES FROM	LODGES U.D.	Α
Lodge.			Amount.
Joseph Robbins			
Sandoval			0.0
Table Grove			•
Hinsdale			- '
Manlius			
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Joy			
Wilmette			
R. F. Casey			
Ashland			25.20
Elmhurst			
John Corson Smith			15.30

Justice	
North Shore	
Buffalo	
Maple Park	
Kenmore	
Bohemia	
Circle	. 34.20
La Moine	. 5.40
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Dispensation Fees Lodges U.D.	\$482.40
	mount.
Sandoval\$	
Joseph Robbins	100.00
Wilmette	100.00
Maulius	100.00
Hinsdale	100.00
La Moine	100.00
North Shore	100.00
Rock Falls	100.00
Table Grove	100.00
Circle	100.00
Elmhurst	100.00
Pearl	100.00
Bohemia	100.00
John Corson Smith	100.00
Buffalo	100.00
R. F. Casev	100.00
Kenmore	100.00
Joy	100.00
Maple Park	100.00
Justice	100.00
	2,000.00
RECAPITULATION.	
GENERAL FUND.	
Proceedings\$	1.00
New charter	5.00
Mileage and per diem returned	6.60
Ceremonials	19.25
Blue Books	57.80
Dispensations—Ashley	219.00
	219.00

Dues preceding years	-
Dues Lodges U.D	80
Dispensations Lodges U.D 2,000.	.00
Dues Lodges 1911 59.403.	.85
\$62,153.	— .70
CHARITY FUND.	
Refund on conduit\$ 5.	.06
Sale of furniture, I.M.O.H	.00
Dividend on Temple stock 24.	.00
Dues preceding years	.10
Dues Lodges U.D	.60
Unexpended balance returned	.04
Transferred from I.M.O.H. Fund	,00
Dues Lodges 1911	45
\$39,193.	.25
ILLINOIS MASONIC ORPHANS' HOME FUND.	
Interest Illinois Central bonds	ഹ
Interest government bonds	
Interest North Chicago bonds	
Interest Wabash Railroad bonds 220.	.00
Interest City of Mattoon bonds	.00
Interest Cook county bonds	.00
Donation 5.	.00
\$1,655.	.00
Home for Aged Fund.	
In trust for the heirs of H. R. Fuller\$ 7.	.00
In trust for the heirs of H. A. Fagen	
In trust for the heirs of Arthur Dugan	-
In trust for the heirs of John C. Clozier 52.	-
Interest Cook county bonds	
Interest City of Chicago bonds	
\$429.	00

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 Report.

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

To the M.IV. Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M. of Illinois:

Brethren:—Your Committee on Grand Master's Report fraternally submit the following:

The report of the M.W. Grand Master for the Masonic year now closing shows the same painstaking care and attention to detail in its preparation, and the same interest in the welfare of the craft generally and of this Grand Lodge in particular as characterized the report of last year. The Grand Master may well be proud of the progress which masonry in Illinois has made under his administration. It ought indeed to be a source of great satisfaction to be able to say at the close of a second term as Grand Master that "peace and prosperity prevail among our 800 lodges with their 110,000 members," and that the law has been enforced and made potent in all parts of our jurisdiction.

Among the many of our brethren who have gone to their final reward during the past year, two, because of their long and faithful service for the good of masonry and their former honored relations to this Grand Lodge, receive special mention in the report. The fitting tribute which the Grand Master has been pleased to pay to the memory of Bro. John Corson Smith and Bro. Charles Fisher must touch a responsive chord in the heart of every member of this Grand Lodge.

So much of the report as refers to District Deputy Grand Masters, Past Grand Examiners, and Grand Lecturers appointed, and to Certificates of Proficiency, we recommend be concurred in by the Grand Lodge.

The paragraph referring to Lodges Constituted we recommend be referred to the Committee on Chartered Lodges.

So much of the report as refers to Dispensations Issued for the Formation of New Lodges, we recommend be referred to the Committee on Lodges U.D. And we commend the action of the Grand Master in refusing to issue dispensations for the formation of lodges which would likely become a burden upon this Grand Lodge without adding anything to the prestige of masonry in this State. And especially do we commend the Grand Master for the firm stand he has taken in protecting the good name of masonry from any seeming alliance with the liquor traffic. His hope that our masonic law may be so amended as to make

it illegal for a lodge to occupy any part of a building used for saloon purposes, expresses, we believe, the sentiment of an overwhelming majority of the craft in this State.

From time immemorial it has been an honored function of the Masonic order to take charge when requested to do so, of the laying of corner stones and the dedication of public buildings. The ancient traditions of the craft go back to the time when they were the builders of the great "monuments of architecture which have proved the admiration of succeeding generations;" and it is a source of satisfaction that this function is still held to be the exclusive right of the fraternity, as is evidenced by the large number of corner stones laid and buildings dedicated by the M.W. Grand Master or his proxies during the past year.

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

The report further shows that the high character of the schools of instruction has been maintained and that interest in the ritualistic work of the order is on the increase. The present Grand Master has been largely instrumental in bringing about this standardization of work and he is to be congratulated on the success of his efforts.

We recommend that the thanks of the Grand Lodge be extended to the Special Committee composed of M.W. Bro. A. H. Bell, M.W. Bro. Owen Scott, and R.W. Bro. Sidney Breese, appointed by the M.W. Grand Master to procure an amendment to the Grand Lodge charter and whose report is included in the Grand Master's report, for the signal success of their undertaking.

We recommend that the action of the Grand Master in consolidating Bureau Lodge No. 112 and Princeton Lodge No. 587 of Princeton, under the name of Princeton Lodge No. 587 be concurred in.

We recommend the approval of the action of the Grand Master in abolishing the Committee on Railroads and Transportation, and that the matter of special rates in the future be placed in the hands of the Grand Master and Grand Secretary.

So much of the report as pertains to the George Washington Memorial Fund appropriations we recommend be referred to the Committee on Finance.

We take a just pride in the fact that our Masonic Homes are in such a flourishing condition. To the unselfish devotion of the Grand Master and the Board of these worthy institutions their present high degree of efficiency is due. We concur in the recommendation of the Grand Master that all business of our subordinate lodges with foreign jurisdictions should first receive the approval of the Grand Master, and we recommend that a special committee of three be appointed by the Grand Master to formulate such a rule, and we further recommend that so much of the report as refers to "unequal representation" and "proxies" be referred to this special committee, and that it be directed to report at this session of the Grand Lodge.

We recommend that the action of the Grand Master in the case of Blazing Star Lodge No. 458 be approved by the Grand Lodge.

We concur in the recommendation of the Grand Master as to the disposition to be made of the Cherry Mine Disaster Fund, and ask that it be referred to the Committee on Finance.

We recommend that the Grand Master be authorized to issue dispensations for the formation of new lodges at Donovan, in Iroquois county, and at Cypress, in Johnson county, as recommended in the report. This is in accordance with Art. 13, Sec. 2 (as amended in 1909), Grand Lodge constitution.

We recommend that so much of the report as refers to irregularities in Maywood Lodge No. 869, together with the papers in the case, be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

We consider that the part of the report dealing with Masonry and Religion is a timely topic. As the Grand Master well says, "Masonry should seek to unite men of every country, seet and opinion," and not to promote enmity and discord. Contention as to the superior merits of two worthy institutions can only be harmful to both. The contention of the worthy craftsman and the zealous churchman should be that noble "emulation of who best can work and best agree." The Committee can but emphasize the recommendations of the M.W. Grand Master and express the hope that his suggestions may receive the careful consideration of the members of our fraternity, which is their due.

In conclusion, your Committee recommend that the thanks of the Grand Lodge be extended to Grand Master Ashley for the able, impartial and faithful manner in which he has presided over its deliberations for the past two years. He has brought to the discharge of the duties of his high office a singleness of purpose and a zeal for the good of the order, the effects of which must be lasting and beneficial. And now, as he surrenders the gavel of authority unto other hands, and the burden of responsibility falls upon other shoulders, he can retire with the consciousness of duty well done, and that as he takes his

place among the few remaining Past Grand Masters of this Grand Lodge he carries with him the affection and esteem of a grand body of men, a hundred thousand strong, who comprise the Masonic fraternity of the imperial State of Illinois.

Fraternally submitted,

J. E. WOOTERS, H. L. BROWNING, H. L. MANLEY.

Committee.

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.

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

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

The Board of Trustees for the Illinois Masonic Homes fraternally submits the following report of its official transactions and incidents of interest in the administration of the affairs of the Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan, and the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home at La Grange, both of which are now operating smoothly and daily dispensing the beneficent charity which becometh all men, and is the noblest attribute of a true and loving heart. The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois may well feel both pride and pleasure in the highest degree for what has been accomplished in caring for those of their members and their dependents, who through misfortune, adversity, or infirmity of years would otherwise be deprived of the comforts and pleasures of this temporal life, with a hopeless and helpless career before them, and a neglected grave as the only goal of their existence. Eighty-five of the brethren of Illinois, or their wives or widows, whose active labors in life's arena have ended, and eighty-five of the children of Illinois Master Masons whose activities in solving life's problems are yet before them, are now the recipients of your bountiful generosity; each one a living monument in evidence of your devotion to the tenets of our beloved institution, Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth, through which the universal brotherhood of man is to be accomplished, united in the hope and purpose to glorify the fatherhood of God.

Organization

At the meeting of the Board of Trustees held October 13, 1910, immediately after the close of the Annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge, Brothers Robert J. Daly and Wm. A. Dixon, who had been reappointed as their own successors as Trustees, qualified by acceptance and the Board thereupon effected its official organization as follows:

GEO. M. MOULTON, President.

HENRY W. BERKS, Vice-President.

JAMES A. STEELE, Treasurer.

CHESTER S. GURNEY, Secretary.

Brother and Mrs. Charles L. Hovey were continued as Superintendent and Matron of the Home for the Aged at Sullivan, and Brother and Mrs. Charles E. Bassett were likewise continued as Superintendent and Matron of the Orphans' Home, then at Chicago, but since established in their permanent home at La Grange.

There having been no change in the personnel of the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee in immediate charge of the respective Homes remained as previously constituted, namely: Brothers Berks, Steele and Dixon for the Home for the Aged and Brothers Moulton, Fletcher and Daly for the Orphans' Home.

Subsequent to the organization meeting, the Board has held four regularly called meetings, namely: April 4, 1911, at La Grange; June 24, 1911, at Chicago; August 27, 1911, at Sullivan; and October 9, 1911, at Chicago. These meetings were attended by all members of the Board, the proceedings were harmoniously conducted and productive of most excellent results. During the interval between Board meetings the several standing committees have regularly and faithfully attended to all the details of administration and exercised a close supervision of all the affairs involved in the operation of the Homes. Each of the two Executive committees has filed a comprehensive report relative to the Homes under their respective supervision, which reports are herewith submitted, and to which we invite your careful attention and earnest consideration; the report regarding the Home for the Aged at Sullivan being especially interesting.

THE HOME FOR THE AGED AT SULLIVAN

While this home is primarily intended as a home for aged Masons, their wives or widows, there has always been provision made for the orphan children of Illinois Master Masons, although thus far utilized to only a limited extent, because the facilities and accommodations for children at the La Grange Home have been ample and better adapted for their care and comfort.

Brother Chas. L. Hovey and wife as Superintendent and Matron respectively have been constant and faithful in the discharge of their respective duties during the year and are entitled to the commendation of the craft for the successful issue of their untiring and unremitting labors in behalf of those committed to their care. The report of Superintendent Hovey is appended hereto and will well repay a careful perusal.

The separate gas plant, for which an appropriation of \$600 was made at the last Annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge, has been completely installed, has been in successful operation for about nine months, and furnished abundant proof of the wisdom of making this permanent addition to the Home facilities.

The appropriation for a refrigeration plant was not drawn or expended for the reason that when the conditions were investigated by competent experts the amount appropriated proved to be inadequate to meet the requirements of this nature. The further recommendation as to this proposed improvement, as embodied in the report of the Executive Committee in charge of the Sullivan Home and submitted herewith, is heartily approved for your favorable action in respect to an appropriation of the requisite amount to produce the desired results.

The operation of the farm at Sullivan has engaged the serious consideration of the Board during the past year with respect to its physical betterment and productive features. Heretofore the farm acreage, exclusive of a small reservation for Home grounds devoted to the use of members for rest and recreation, has been leased to a tenant for a fixed rental per acre and the proceeds covered into the Treasury of the M. W. Grand Lodge. Under such conditions the property necessarily has suffered depreciation. The proposition submitted and urged by Trustee Dixon to operate the farm hereafter directly under the supervision of the Board of Trustees by the employment of a practical farmer and assistants, has been favorably considered by the Board in the belief that not only increased revenue from the farm may be secured, but that its products can be used to great advantage and economy in the administration of the Home, and also that the standard of the property can be raised to comport with the dignity and importance of its ownership. In order to secure practical results as well as the best returns from putting the plan into operation of cultivating and improving our farm property without the intervention of a tenant a comparatively small sum will be requisite for investment in stock, tools and appliances, and the Board of Trustees therefore recommends that the appropriation be made for that purpose as hereinafter scheduled.

During the past year considerable has been accomplished toward the betterment of conditions and general improvement of the farm property with the aid of the special fund of \$1,000, originally appropriated by M.W. Grand Lodge in 1909, of which fund there was an unexpended balance in hand of \$617.52 available for farm improvement at date of our last report. We present herewith a statement of the disposition of this fund during the year which has since elapsed, which shows a balance of this special fund unexpended of \$542.52, which amount we recommend be held by the Board of Trustees for use during the coming year in addition to the amount which may at this Annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge be appropriated for farm purposes and its operation, to be disbursed from time to time as may be deemed wise and expedient in accomplishing the purposes for which the appropriation of this money was originally made.

The appropriation of \$24,000, made by the M. W. Grand Lodge at the last Annual Communication for the maintenance of the Sullivan Home, by the exercise of rigid economy and close supervision has been sufficient for the purpose, notwithstanding some extraordinary expenses. The accuracy of the estimate made one year ago of the requisite funds needed has been verified by the return of \$294.60 to Brother Isaac Cutter, Grand Secretary, representing the unexpended portion of the maintenance appropriation for the Sullivan Home.

In addition to this refund there has been a substantial amount of net income derived from the sale of stock and produce and for 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 to \$230.33, as per itemized statement as set forth in the report of Superintendent Hovey, filed herewith. This balance of \$230.33 has likewise been paid over to Brother Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary, for the use of the M. W. Grand Lodge.

The Board of Trustees concur in the recommendation as set forth in the report filed herewith of the Executive Committee in charge of the Sullivan Home regarding repairs, alterations and additions. To avoid repetition, attention is invited to said report wherein the conditions are recited and reasons assigned for proceeding with the proposed improvements, to-wit:

I.	Refrigeration Plant, estimated to cost	\$2,200
2.	Repairs and alterations on present buildings, esti- mated to cost	2.000
3.	Deep well Water Supply and Power Plant, esti-	2,900
	mated to cost	5,450

Soft Water Supply Cistern Plant, estimated to cost.. 875

The completion of the work embraced in the foregoing items will end the constructional expense in connection with the Sullivan Home so far as the present structures are concerned, save only the ordinary expenses of repairs for wear and tear, which can readily be met out of the usual maintenance appropriation.

THE ORPHANS' HOME AT LA GRANGE

On the 15th day of March, 1911, the transition from temporary quarters of our family of Masonic orphans and the household in general to the new, commodious and beautiful permanent Home at La Grange was safely accomplished. We express the hope that before the close of the present Annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge, the officers and representatives in attendance may visit the Home, and by personal inspection be assured that the funds which they have generously bestowed for the establishment of this beneficent institution have been wisely and judiciously expended. It is the universal opinion of all who have had the opportunity to judge from personal observation of the structure and its appointments that therein Wisdom, Strength and Beauty have found full expression in the practical accomplishment of the plans which have been in process of development for the past twenty-five years to adequately provide for the dependent orphan children of our brethren.

Brother Charles E. Bassett and Mrs. Bassett, as Superintendent and Matron, have continued to administrate the affairs of the Home with the same fidelity and effectiveness as heretofore. We renew our expressions of confidence in these true, tried and trusty officials, and our hearty appreciation of their valued assistance in maintaining the high standard of excellence which has obtained in the operation of our Orphans' Home. The M. W. Grand Lodge is fortunate in having their able services, and their labors, to add to the comfort, pleasure and general welfare of the family entrusted to their care, are worthy of the utmost commendation.

The very complete report of Superintendent Bassett filed herewith is interesting and instructive. It tells the story in a simple, straightforward and comprehensive manner of the conduct of the Home for the past year, before and after the occupancy of the new premises, so that further comment is unnecessary in this report, except to announce the death of Mamie Bablitz, which occurred since Superintendent Bassett's report was filed. Mamie was a ward of Constantia Lodge No. 783 of Chicago. Her ailment began while on vacation with her mother. She apparently recovered from her illness, returned to the Home September 3, remained for a week, when she again went to the care of her mother, then was taken to the County Hospital for a second time and there died September 25, her illness being diagnosed as tuberculosis of the kidneys.

The Orphans' Home has been the recipient of many acts of kindness and generous donations aside from those referred to in Superintendent Bassett's report. We make mention of the following in order that a permanent record may be had of these offerings, due recognition and thanks having been already extended to the respective donors.

Oriental Consistory, S. P. R. S. 32°, Five Hundred Dollars in cash for the purchase of pictures and works of art with which to embellish the Home.

Medinah Temple A. A. O. N. M. S., Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars in cash for the like purpose.

Garden City Lodge No. 141, A.F. and A.M., an ornamental hall clock.

Bro. James G. Moulton, of Chicago, an oil painting of Abraham Lincoln in his traditional character of rail-splitter.

Bro. R. Ricketts, of Chicago, a bronze statuette of Julius Cæsar and pedestal for same.

York Chapter No. 148, R. A. M., a garden swing and slide.

Mrs. Coyle, through the friendly offices of Miss Mae L. Fuhrman, of Chicago, a piano.

Bro. A. F. Harner, of Chicago, a handsome inscription plate for the frame inclosing the display quilt which was instrumental in the original establishment of the Illinois Masonic Orphans Home.

Bro. H. C. Stoakes, of Chicago, a Scholarship in Bryant & Stratton's Business College, in favor of Herbert Alvin Olson, a graduating member of the Home.

Mrs. Sarah A. Eddy and the ladies associated with her, Ella B. Lee, et al., who perfected and consummated all the arrangements for the Christmas Entertainment in December, 1910, for the members of our Home family and friends, and who subsequently paid over to Superintendent Bassett for use in future similar entertainments the sum of \$52.61.

BEQUEST

Advices have been received that Brother Fred Locker, a deceased member of Gothic Lodge No. 852, A. F. & A. M., at East St. Louis had bequeathed one-half of his estate to the Illinois Masonic Orphans Home, the remaining half being bequeathed jointly and equally to the St. Mary's and Henrietta Hospital of East St. Louis. The estate of Brother Locker was generally supposed to be worth \$10,000 to \$12,000, but since his death evidence has been disclosed indicating that the estate had been unlawfully disposed of at or about the time of Bro. Locker's decease. Ac-

cordingly the interest of our Home in this bequest was placed in the hands of Brother C. M. Forman, of East St. Louis, to co-operate with the other two legatees under the Locker will with a view of securing a just and lawful distribution of the estate. At the present time we can only report progress in the matter, as further action will be based on the advice of the attorneys who have been engaged.

OFFICIAL BOND

Immediately after the re-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 good and sufficient personal sureties, and was duly approved as required by the rules of the Board of Trustees.

Co-operation in Fraternal Charities

A joint conference of the several boards of control and management of the charitable institutions of our State operating under fraternal auspices having been invited by the chief executive officer of the Knights of Pythias, such conference was held in Decatur, Ill., at the Pythian Home on September 4, 1911. There were present a large proportion of the Trustees representing the Homes established by the Knights of Pythias, I. O. O. F., A. F. & A. M. and O. E. S., of Illinois, also the Superintendents and Matrons of these Homes. A permanent organization was perfected with the purpose of securing by united effort the best results in economy and general efficiency in the administration of the respective charities represented. The movement is expected to be productive of beneficial results.

COMPLETION OF THE LA GRANGE HOME

At the meeting of the Board of Trustees in April last, on the recommendation of the Architects, Messrs. Deal & Ginzel, the new Orphans Home at La Grange was accepted as completely finished under the contract for its crection with Messrs. W. M. Allen Son & Co., of Peoria. These contractors executed the work with which they had been entrusted with both fidelity and skill, so that the La Grange Home stands today as a masterpiece of the builders' art, creditable alike to the cause in which it has been erected, the owners, architects and builders.

For the cost of this building there was appropriated by the M. W. Grand Lodge

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In	1909	 	 	 ٠.	 	.	 	 ٠.	 	٠.	 		75,000.00
Ιn	1910	 	 	 	 		 	 	 ٠.		 		25,000.00

From these appropriations this Board of Trustees has received payments aggregating \$98,500.

There has been expended in the erection of the building a total to date of \$08,165,21, distributed as follows:

To the Contractors	.\$92,647.97
To the Architects	. 4,843.62
To Sundry Expenses	. 673.62
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leaving a balance to be accounted for of \$334.79. There is yet due a final payment to the contractors of \$1,621.19, or a deficiency of funds received for the erection of the Home at La Grange of \$1,386:40.

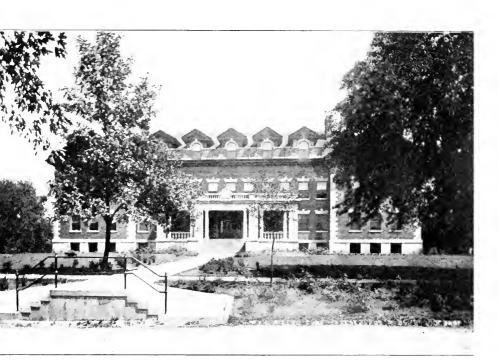
We therefore request that further payment of \$1,500 for account of Building Fund be authorized at this Annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge, which will make the total of contributions to this Building Fund \$100,000, that being the limit of expense for this account authorized by the M. W. Grand Lodge October 13, 1909.

There was appropriated October 12, 1910, for the operation during the ensuing year of the La Grange Home, improvement of grounds, electric light fixtures, water softener plant, power laundry plant, furniture and household equipment, a total of \$25,000.00, all of which has been paid over as required to this Board of Trustees and properly expended. The actual expense incurred for the accomplishment of the several purposes for which the said appropriations for the La Grange Home were made have exceeded the amount thereof to the extent of \$2,085.45. Our Treasurer, Bro. Steele, has cheerfully met this deficit and furnished the requisite funds from his own resources for the payment of all valid indebtedness incurred, and we fraternally request that an appropriation be now made to reimburse Bro. Steele for these advances.

There is further requisite to fully complete the La Grange Home for screens to the windows and doors, additional furnishings, including twenty-five more beds, boiler coverings, etc., the sum of \$1,500.00 and therefore your Board of Trustees recommends that an appropriation of

Illinois Masonic Orphans Home

La Grange, Illinois



Dedicated

by the M. W. Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. St. Iohn's Day, Inne 24, 1911

Illinois Masonic Orphans Home

Incorporated March 11, 1885

Temporary Home, No. 447 Carroll Ave., Chicago, Ill., dedicated October 7, 1886, by the M. W. Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M., Bro. Alexander T. Darrah, M. W. Grand Master, officiating.

Cornerstone of Permanent Home, La Grange, Ill., laid April 30, 1910, by M. W. Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M., Bro. Albert B. Ashley, M. W. Grand Master, officiating.

INITIAL ORGANIZATION

GEO. M. MOULTON, Pres. *GIL, W. BARNARD, Secv.

*HENRY TURNER, Vice-Pres. *WILEY M. EAGAN, Treas.

GEO. W. WARVELLE. Counsel

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*Deceased.

The M W. Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of the State of Illinois accepted the trust of maintaining the Illinois Masonic Orphans Home and the Home for Aged Masons, October, 1903.

THE CEREMONY OF TODAY

Dedication of the Permanent Illinois Masonic Orphans Home at La Grange, Illinois, on St. John's Day, June 24, 1911

BRO. ALBERT B. ASHLEY - - - M. W. Grand Master
BRO. WILLIAM WHITE WILSON - - R. W. Grand Orator
BRO. H. V. HOLT, as - - - - R. W. Grand Chaplain

ORDER OF EXERCISES

At 3 o'clock P. M.

Selection, "I	Му Не	ro"	-	-	-	-	- St. Cecilia Band
Opening Od	c	-	-	-	-		United Masonic Quartettes
Address	-	-	-	Pres.	Board of	Trus	tees, Illinois Masonic Homes
Response	-	~	-	-	-	-	M. W. Grand Master
P_{rayer}	-	~	-	-	-	-	R. W. Grand Chaplain
Ode	÷	-	-	-	-		United Masonic Quartettes
Dedication (Ceremo	ny	-	-	-	-	M. W. Grand Lodge
Selection	~	~	-	-	-		United Masonic Quartettes
Oration	-	-	-	-	-	-	R. W. Grand Orator
Selection, "I	or All	Etern	nity"	-	~	~	- St. Cecilia Band
Benediction		-	-	-	-	-	R. W. Grand Chaplain

At the conclusion of the exercises the parade will be re-formed and escort the M. W. Grand Lodge to the Hall of La Grange Lodge, and there be dismissed.

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

Present Organization Illinois Masonic Homes

GEO. M. MOULTON, Pres.

CHESTER S. GURNEY, Secy.

HENRY W. BERKS, V_{ice} - \mathcal{P}_{res} .

JAMES A. STEELE, T_{reas} .

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JAMES A. STEELE

CHAS. E. BASSETT, Supt. Masonic Orphans Home

CHAS. L. HOVEY, Supt. Home for Stged Masons

this amount be made in addition to the usual appropriation for the annual maintenance of the Home.

DEDICATION OF THE LA GRANGE HOME

The Orphans Home at La Grange was formally dedicated by the M.W. Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M., of Illinois, at three o'clock in the afternoon, on St. John's Day, June 24, 1911, Brother Albert B. Ashley, M. W. Grand Master, officiating, who convened an Occasional Grand Lodge for the dedication. The ceremony might well be characterized as a baptism as it was conducted from start to finish during a drenching rain storm which tried the fortitude and loyalty of the brethren in attendance to the utmost, but the warmth of their hearts overcame all the effects of external moisture and compensated for the discomfort incident to the inclement weather. All the Masonic organizations in Cook county, including the Order of Eastern Star were invited to participate and form an escort for the M. W. Grand Lodge, to which invitation there was a most generous and enthusiastic response. Had the weather conditions been propitious, a record-breaking attendance of our brethren would have been recorded. An exceptional feature was the uniformed escort of Oriental Consistory S. P. R. S. 32°, which rendered a like service at the dedication of the first Masonic Orphans Home in Chicago, October 7, 1886, when Brother Alexander T. Darrah, the father of our present R. W. Deputy Grand Master, officiated in his proper station of M. W. Grand Master.

The program of exercises is worthy of preservation by reason of the importance of the occasion and wide spread interest in this climax to the labors of a quarter of a century in the cause of the helpless orphan.

As a matter of interest to the brethren of the present day, and more especially to those who may follow hereafter, we incorporate in our report the Orders for the day, which were executed in toto, as follows:

INFORMATION

RELATIVE TO THE CEREMONY OF DEDICATING THE ILLINOIS MASONIC ORPHANS' HOME

LA GRANGE, ILL.

St. John's Day, June 24, 1911.

- I. The exercises at the Home will begin at three o'clock P. M. The ceremony will be conducted by the M. W. Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. on the front porch of the building, Brother Albert B. Ashley, M. W. Grand Master officiating, with Brother Rev. William White Wilson as R. W. Grand Orator.
- 2. Owing to the large number in attendance and inadequate seating accommodation, the assembly will necessarily be an open-air meeting.

The exercises will require less than an hour's time. While it is expected that the grass plots will be occupied by the audience, all Officers are requested to earnestly and urgently caution those under their supervision against walking or standing on the flower beds, plants or shrubbery which have been only recently planted.

- 3. The C. B. & Q. R. R. Co. will run special trains from Union Depot, Canal and Adams Sts., Chicago, to Fifth Avenue Station, La Grange, on the day of the ceremony, leaving Chicago at 1:10, 1:35, 1:40 and 1:45 P. M. Special trains returning will leave Fifth Avenue Station, La Grange, at 5:00, 5:15 and 5:25 P. M. Women and children are urgently recommended to take the 1:10 P. M. train going to La Grange, and to avoid confusion all persons in attendance upon the dedication ceremonies are requested to take train at depot gate placarded "SPECIAL FOR LA GRANGE."
- 4. The C. B. & Q. R. R. have made a special rate for the dedication ceremony of thirty cents per capita for the round trip. Tickets in quantities of ten or more can be purchased any time prior to noon of June 24th next at the City ticket office, corner Adams and Clark Streets Chicago, and either singly or in quantities between 12 o'clock noon and 12:20 P. M. of that date at the Union Depot ticket office.
- 5. Transportation to and from La Grauge is also available via Metropolitan Elevated Railway (Douglas Park Branch) connecting with trolley line.
- 6. The escort to the M. W. Grand Lodge will form at 2:15 P. M. on Fifth Avenue in La Grange with head of the column at Cossitt Blvd., extending north along Fifth Ave., and deflected west on Burlington Ave. The formation and parade will be under the direction of Bro. Geo. M. Moulton as Chief Marshal, assisted by Brothers Robt. J. Daly and Robert C. Fletcher, as assistant Marshals.

The Column will form in the following order:-

Oriental Consistory S. P. R. S. 32°.

Commanderies of Knights Templar.

Councils of R. & S. M.

Chapters of R. A. M.

St. Cecelia Band.

Lodges of A. F. & A. M.

Masonic Veteran Association of Illineis.

United Masonic Quartettes.

Board of Trustees Illinois Masonic Homes.

M. W. Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M.

Commanderies, Councils and Chapters, preceded by their respective bands will take position in column in order of their seniority, the eldest organization on the right.

Lodges A. F. & A. M. will take position in reverse order of seniority the youngest Lodge on the right or at the head of the column, and oldest Lodge on the left or at rear of column immediately preceding the Grand Lodge. The formation will be more readily effected if each M. W. will take special care to see that his Lodge takes position and follows next after the Lodge bearing the number next higher than the number of his Lodge. Individual brethren in attendance, in the absence of their

own Lodge, will form on the left of any organized Lodge where most agreeable.

- 7. All Lodge paraphernalia may be dispensed with except that the official jewels and white gloves and aprons should be worn and Lodge banners carried if practicable.
- 8. The parade is expected to be fully formed so as to march at 2:30 P. M., moving along the following route:

West on Cossitt Boulevard to Spring Ave.

South on Spring Ave. to Elm St.

East on Elm St. to 9th Ave.

South on 9th Ave. to Goodman Ave.

When Column makes final halt the Lodges A. F. & A. M. will form in facing East for the Grand Lodge Division to pass in review.

When Column makes final halt the Lodges A. F. & A. M. will form in two lines facing inward to permit the passage of the M. W. Grand Master with other Officers of the Grand Lodge, each Lodge closing ranks and following Grand Lodge in regular order in columns of twos, breaking to right and left and congregating on the lawn on arrival at the Home.

9. The column will reform in exactly same order as before to escort the M. W. Grand Lodge back to its apartments at 4:30 P. M., at which time "Assembly" will be sounded by bugle. All interested are earnestly requested to respond promptly to the call.

The Column will make the return march as follows:

West on Goodman Ave. to Fifth Ave.

North on Fifth Ave. to Burlington Ave.

where column will halt and form lines for M.W. Grand Master and other Officers of Grand Lodge to pass in review to the Grand Lodge apartments, after which the parade will be dismissed by direction of the commanding officers of the respective organizations.

- 10. The Grand Lodge in going to and from the Home will be formed in readiness and take position in column as soon as uncovered by the left of the column and without interrupting the march of the column.
- II. Sisters of O. E. S. Chapters are expected to assemble in the parlors of the Home prior to the ceremony, entering the Home by rear entrance. Seats will be reserved for the Officers of the Grand Chapter O. E. S. in the Main Hall, opening on the porch; all others will be accommodated as conditions will best permit.
- 12. The Town Hall, Suburban Club and First Congregational Church in La Grange have been graciously tendered by their respective managements as rest rooms for the brethren and their families in attendance upon the ceremony.

Fraternally submitted,

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ILLINOIS MASONIC HOMES.

CHICAGO, June 14, 1911. By GEO. M. MOULTON, President.

We also submit, in order that it may be safely preserved in the archives of the M. W. Grand Lodge, the following beautiful poem, written

(October 10,

especially for this dedication ceremony and recited by its author, Mrs. Alice J. Whitney:

"Hark! A sound of children's voices Comes, sweetly, to my ear;
"Tis a soothing, rhythmic measure, With tidings of good cheer; As its cadence falls and rises,
Then gently sinks again,
I listen, eagerly, to catch
Words of the glad refrain;
The music gushes forth, once more,
In a symphony of joy;—
And I hear,—'God bless the Masons,
Of the State of Illinois.'

But these merry children's voices, Are not those of today;—
From the mystic, unknown Future,
They echo, o'er Time's way;
Ah! 'tis unborn generations,
Full many thousands strong,
Who, in fancy, come to greet us,
In ecstacy of song;
For these walls, whose firm foundation
And corner-stone is Love,
Will shelter many a needy child,
When we are called above.

How dear Tom Miller's heart would leap. Could he but view this scene; How General Smith's familiar smile, Would light his face serene;—Gil Barnard,—Dr. Stevens, too. Would this occasion grace, With hosts of others, near whose hearts, This Orphans' Home had place. Thus, hallowed memories gather near, Their blessings to bestow—While troops on troops of coming years, Just add an afterglow.

Hail to the heroes who have reared This edifice so grand;—
Long may this fitting monument,
Of Love and Duty stand;
May those who seek its sheltering walls,
Make this their daily prayer,—
That Heaven's best gifts descend on those,
Who give them tender care;—
May they yield their benefactors
Honor without allov,—
And repeat 'God bless the Masons
Of the State of Illinois.'"

FINANCIAL

The reports of the Treasurer and Secretary are submitted herewith as a correct exhibit of the financial transactions of the Board of Trustees 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 from the appropriation for the Sullivan Home amounts to \$294.60, which amount has been remitted to the M. W. Grand Lodge according to previous custom and the conditions on which the appropriation was based, together with the further sum of \$230.33, representing the net income from the disposal of stock and produce at the Sullivan Home. The only moneys remaining in the possession of the Board of Trustees at the present time is therefore the unexpended balance of the appropriation for Farm Improvement at Sullivan, amounting to \$542.52 as hereinbefore reported.

Appropriations

Your Board of Trustees unanimously recommend that the following appropriations be made by the M. W. Grand Lodge at this Annual Communication to consummate the plans and recommendations as set forth in this report.

FOR THE HOME FOR THE AGED, AT SULLIVAN, ILLINOIS

From General Fund

For Refrigeration Plant\$	2,200.00
For Repairs and Alterations	2,900.00
For Deep Well Water Supply	5,450.00
For Soft Water Cistern Supply	850.00
For Farm Improvement and Operations	3,600.00

\$15,000.00

The foregoing appropriations to be drawn for use of the Board of Trustees as needed for the payment of bills incurred in the prosecution of the contemplated work.

For maintenance during ensuing year\$24,000.00 to be drawn for use of the Board of Trustees in two equal installments payable October 12, 1911, and March 1, 1912.

FOR THE ORPHANS HOME AT LA GRANGE, ILLINOIS

From General Fund

For	reimbursement	of Treasurer	James A.	Steele accour	nt
	overdrafts				.\$2,085.46
For	Building Fund .				. 1,500.00
For	Furnishings, etc				. 1,500.00

\$5,085.46

These appropriations to be drawn for the immediate use of the Board of Trustees.

For maintenance during ensuing year\$16,000.00 to be drawn for use of the Board of Trustees in two equal installments payable October 12, 1911, and March 1, 1912.

HOME LIBRARIES

It is very desirable to establish a library at each of the Homes for the pleasure and edification of our growing families. Old folks and young alike are benefited by reading good books. These libraries can readily be accumulated by donations, at least it is proposed to try the experiment. There are few if any of our brethren who have not one or more books for reading or reference that they cannot spare from their shelves, and we therefore appeal to the brethren of Illinois for such contributions of books as they can spare from their abundance. All such offerings should be sent to either Bro. Chas. L. Hovey, Supt. Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan, Ill., or to Bro. Chas. E. Bassett, Supt. Orphans Home, La Grange, Ill. Any express charges on consignments of books will be paid by them on delivery.

The foregoing report is intended to comprise everything of interest and importance relative to the two great charities in which the M. W. Grand Lodge is engaged as regards present conditions and operation. Your Board of Trustees feel a pardonable pride in the accomplishments thus far, in which feeling we trust each and every member of the craft in Illinois joins heartily and responsively.

Fraternally submitted for the Board of Trustees for Illinois Masonic Homes,

By GEO. M. MOULTON,

President.

CIIICAGO, October 9, 1911.

TREASURER'S REPORT

October 1, 1911.

To the Board of Trustees:

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

ILLINOIS MASONIC ORPHANS HOME, LA GRANGE, ILLINOIS

RECEIPTS

1910
Balance on hand last report\$21,369.50
November 2nd From C. S. Gurney, Secretary 12,500.00
November 13th From C. S. Gurney, Secretary 5,500.00
November 13th From C. S. Gurney, Secretary 7,000.00
December 31st From C. S. Gurney, Secretary 12,500.00
1911
January 25th From C. S. Gurney, Secretary\$ 5,500.00
March 18th From C. S. Gurney, Secretary 7,000.00
September 28th From C. S. Gurney, Secretary 69.98
\$71,439.48
DISBURSEMENTS
Vouchers Nos. 4699 to 4862 (Except 4859)\$73,502.81
Over-draft
\$71,439.48
Jas. 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, ILLINOIS

RECEIPTS

1910	
Balance on hand last report\$ 1	1,895.44
November 3rd From C. S. Gurney, Secretary 12	2,000.00
November 30th From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	
1911	
March 18th From C. S. Gurney, Secretary 12	2,000.00
April 13th From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	115.00
April 28th From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	65.18
May 10th From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	50.00
July 19th From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	50.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Vouchers Nos.	805 to 877	(Except 875)	\$26,458.88
Balance on has	nd			316.74

\$26,775.62

JAMES A. STEELE, Treasurcr.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

SULLIVAN HOME

CHICAGO, October 1, 1911.

RECEIPTS

Balance in Treasurer's hands October 1, 1910	\$ 703.04
From Grand Lodge maintenance account\$24,000.00	
From Grand Lodge gas plant 600.00	
From rebates on sundry funerals 280.18	24,880.18
	\$25,583.22

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries\$4,389.23	
Printing, postage and stationery 220.44	
Furnishings	
Superintendent's sundries	
Fuel	
Medical account	
General sundries	
Repairs	
Clothing	
Traveling expense	
Labor	
Provisions	
General fund, maintenance account returned 703.04	
Gas plant 600.00	
Lighting	
Funerals, expense of	
Insurance	
Hay and feed	\$25,774.20
Overdraft	190.98
Superintendent's balance October 1, 1910 521.84	
Superintendent's balance October 1, 1911 36.26	485.58

Treasurers balance October 1, 1911

C. S. GURNEY, Secretary.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

LA GRANGE HOME

CHICAGO, October 1, 1911.

RECEIPTS

Balance in hands of Treasurer October 1, 1910 From Grand Lodge—maintenance account \$14,000.00	\$13,419.50
From Construction account	50,069.98
Total	\$63,489.48
DISBURSEMENTS	
Salaries\$ 1,920.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	
Furnishings 4,503.10	
Superintendent's sundries	
Fuel	
Medical attendance and medicine 147.95	
Sundries 306.86	
Clothing	
Traveling expense—committee meetings 163.02	
Labor	
Provisions 5,154.96	
Repairs—furniture	

Total		\$2,787.69
Superintendent's balance October 1, 1910	737.72	
Superintendent's balance October 1, 1911	35.49	702.23

School

Insurance Legal

.....\$2,085.46 Total overdraft

C. S. GURNEY, Secretary.

354.31 80.00

3.80

66,277.17

CHICAGO, October 5, 1911.

GEN. GEO. M. MOULTON,

President, Board of Trustees, Illinois Masonic Homes, Chicago, Illinois:

SIR: The following I submit as the result of my examination of the books and records of the Secretary and the Treasurer of the Illinois Masonic Homes for the year ending September 30, 1911:

Secretary's Record, La Grange Home	
Balance on hand September 30, 1910	
Total	63,489.48
DISBURSEMENTS	
As per voucher October 1, 1910, to September 30, 1911, inclusive Sover draft	2,787.69
Net over draft September 30, 1910	2,085.46
SULLIVAN HOME	
Balance on hand September 30, 1910	
Total	\$25,583.22
DISBURSEMENTS	
As per voucher October 1, 1910, to September 30, 1911, inclusive.	
Overdraft Balance Superintendent's Fund	190.98 485.58
Balance September 30, 1911	294.60
Treasurer's over draft La Grange Home	
Difference	22.13
Treasurer's balance Sullivan Home\$ Secretary's balance Sullivan Home	316.74 294.60
\$	22.14
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The difference between the over drafts of the Secretary and Treasurer for the La Grange Home is caused by voucher check No. 4859 for \$22.13 being unpaid at the close of the year.

The difference between the Treasurer's and Secretary's balance on the Sullivan Home is caused by voucher check No. 875 for \$22.14 being unpaid at the close of the year.

I have verified the Treasurer's balance and have found it correct and to agree with the amount on deposit in bank, as evidenced by the certicates of the Merchants and Farmers State Bank.

Respectfully yours,
Chas. A. Forshee, Accountant.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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

The Executive Committee in charge of the Illinois Masonic Orphans Home at La Grange, Ill., reports as follows:

Its membership has remained the same as during the preceding year and its affairs have been conducted with the same peace and harmony. The Superintendent and Matron have rendered exceptional service, especially during the period of transition from the old to the new home.

As shown by the report of our physician, Bro. Arthur E. Higgins, M. D., the health of the children has been exceptionally good in view of the fact that the children's diseases were more than usually prevalent in La Grange during the spring and early summer.

The Committee has followed its established custom of meeting monthly at the Home and of leaving necessary administrative details in turn between meetings to each of its members.

While the cost of maintenance for the year has exceeded the appropriation (as shown by the financial reports), it is but just to the committee to call your attention to the fact that any estimate of cost of maintenance in the new Home could not, in many details, be based on experience. For detailed information concerning the affairs of the Home we invite your perusal of the Superintendent's report.

Our children have made an excellent impression on the people of La Grange. They are spoken of by many as examples in conduct for other children to emulate, and in their school life they have been heartily received into the student body and have shown by their record that they are far above the average in politeness, punctuality, and general scholarship.

The Committee would invite attention of the Board to the necessity of a larger appropriation for maintenance for the year 1911-12 than that of the year just closed. Also of an extra appropriation of \$1,500.00 for additional furnishings.

Geo. M. Moulton.

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

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

I have pleasure in submitting to you, as superintendent, my annual report of the general condition of the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home for the Masonic year terminating September 30, 1911:

The year has been marked by unusual interest on account of the completion and occupancy of the imposing and commodious new Home in La Grange. Since we moved into the building, on the 15th of March, our surroundings have been as wholesome and attractive as can be found, even in this beautiful village. Life has afforded additional charms to all who are permitted to live here. We welcomed the change because of beautiful environments and better facilities for carrying on the work, but as we turned our footsteps from Chicago we could not forget that for a full quarter of a century it had sheltered from the storms of life the children of our unfortunate brethren, and that some of the benevolent spirits who made the Home possible still dwell there.

It is more proper for the Executive Committee than for me to describe the premises that we now occupy, as they are the result of their trained and mature judgment, and I will only say that they are beautiful to look upon and admirably arranged for the practical purposes in view. While no unnecessary expenditures were incurred for those ornamental features which alone attract the eye the building has a general elegance and practicability that brings out the most favorable comment from all who inspect it. For light, air, comfort and convenience, the rooms are not surpassed in any Home of its kind.

The down-pour on the day of the dedication was most unfortunate, especially for the Grand Lodge officers, who were preceded by the organized bodies forming the escort. We were not unmindful of the condition of the Grand Officers, but we were unable to reserve room for them on account of the rush of those ahead in their efforts to find shelter from the heavy shower.

La Grange has a population of about 5,500. Its society, churches, schools and improvements are among the best in the state. Shortly before we moved here we received invitations from the First Congregational and Methodist Churches to attend their services and Sunday Schools. We accepted the First Congregational invitation on account of priority and because that Church is located nearer than any other to the Home. The older boys and girls attend Sunday morning services regularly and all attend the Sunday School. The pastor of the church, Mr. E. N. Hardy, and the superintendent of the Sunday School, Mr. M. J. Carpenter, have given us the pleasure of several calls, and they are manifesting commendable interest in the Home children. Sunday morn-

ing, April 2, Mr. Carpenter called at the Home and presented every boy and girl in person with a bible.

The text books and considerable of the material used in the La Grange schools are different from the books and material in use in Chicago, and it was necessary to provide our boys and girls with almost an entirely new equipment, but they started to school promptly and with the necessary supply of the things they needed. After they had been in school a few days we asked Mr. Sanford, superintendent of schools in La Grange, how they were getting along, and he made this reply: "They are good little workers and starting in beautifully."

Herbert Olson and Marian Ledger graduated from the Brown School, Chicago, in February. Robert Shaw, William Kernahan, Lillian Brookman and Laura Crapp would have graduated from the same school in June if it had not been for our removal from the city. Herbert was enabled to take a three months' course in short hand at Bryant and Stratton's Business College after he graduated, on a certificate presented by Brother H. O. Stoakes to Brother Moulton. Marian is now employed in the Home. Herbert, Marian, Robert and William are full orphans.

No deaths have occurred in the Home during the year. Early in the fall several of our children were examined by a medical inspector of the Board of Health who said they had diphtheria and sent them to the Hospital for Contagious Diseases, but the diagnosis was evidently wrong in part, as some of them were returned in a few days. The others were affected but slightly.

For detailed information regarding the health of the children in the Home since our removal to La Grange I refer you to the report of Dr. Arthur E. Higgins, the present physician. Dr. Higgins has been faithful in his attendance at the Home, and has successfully prescribed for all patients. It gives us pleasure to state that the little twin, Helen Swalley, in whose case hope of recovery was well nigh abandoned on two different occasions, has developed into as healthy and active a girl as there is in the Home.

Christmas at the old Home on Bishop Court was observed December 22, under the direction of the Christmas Committee of which Mrs. Ella B. Lee was president. The presents were up to the usual good quality. Mr. John Levis acted as Santa Claus, and in a way appropriate to the occasion, distributed them among the happy and expectant children. The Lexington Quartette volunteered their services through Brother Daly, and were present and entertaining as in the days gone by. Brothers Moulton and Daly of the Executive Committee were present. The children had ice cream and cake for supper, which was furnished by the Christmas Committee.

The rule of the Executive Committee prohibiting vacations this year has had a good effect. Vacations result in undoing much of the work that is done in the Home, besides the introduction of sickness which is communicated to the other children. Never have our boys and girls been so well settled in mind and so well prepared to concentrate their efforts on their school work at the opening of the term, as they are this year. Their ample play-grounds well equipped, manual training, gymnasium, individual flower and vegetable gardens and outings, combined with their facilities for refreshing and undisturbed rest at night, have given them a summer of unusual enjoyment.

We are now convenient to the gardeners where fresh vegetables can be easily obtained, and we have not tried to raise anything for our own consumption, but the children have had beans, spinach, lettuce, radishes, cucumbers and tomatoes of their own raising, nevertheless. They have been allowed to choose the kind of seed they wanted to plant, and have taken great interest in cultivating the product.

During the year twenty-three different employes have filled the positions occupied by female help—six in number. The present corps of employes consists of Miss Laura Bassett, Mrs. Julia Galligan, Mrs. Julia Powers, and Misses Carrie Dunham, Marian Ledger and Florence Seabrook. All of them came with us from Chicago and all of them have rendered satisfactory service. We acknowledge with kindly feelings the aid we have received from our assistants in the work of the Home. Since our connection with the Home we have never had so long a respite from annoyances in this connection. The older boys and girls have given all needful assistance, and have done so with a cheerfulness that entitles them to the highest commendation.

The dinners served to the children Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's were good enough for a prosperous farmer and partook largely of that character. The boys and girls celebrated the 4th of July in the old fashioned way and had a good display of fireworks in the evening.

If an annual appropriation of fifty dollars could be made, or that amount set aside for the purchase of books for the library, so that the older boys and girls might assemble there at regular hours under supervision and read, I am sure it would prove instructive and entertaining to them.

Through the courtesy of the Executive Committee the undersigned was invited to accompany Brother Moulton to Decatur for the purpose of attending a meeting held by the fraternal charities of Illinois at the Pythian Home September 4th. The occasion was an interesting one and the permanent organization that was effected will undoubtedly result in good to the cause.

It has been impossible for us to keep within our annual appropriation for maintenance this year for various reasons: The increase in the population of the Home, and the maintenance of one-half of the children during the summer months who have heretofore been out in vacations; the higher prices prevailing in La Grange on the commodities that we must buy here; the heart-breaking expense of having our clothes laundered outside of the Home; the cost of moving to La Grange, and the necessity for providing our children with new school books and material throughout, have caused the undesirable condition of our maintenance fund. The alternative would have necessitated diminished food and clothing for the children. Most of this unusual expense could not be anticipated when the last appropriation was asked for. With our up-to-date laundry operated by competent help we hope to show a decided retrenchment in this department next year.

Mr. Charles Ebert who was employed by the Executive Committee as engineer and general helper has been faithful and industrious.

The children have enjoyed the following events during the year:

Nov. 19. Ashland Theatre.

Nov. 24. Ashland Theatre matinee.

Nov. 26. Annual meeting of Masonic Veteran Association held in Medinah Temple, where fine refreshments were served.

Dec. 22. Christmas at the Home.

Feb. 22. Vaudeville entertainment at Oakley Temple by Aracana Lodge No. 717. Transportation paid by Brothers Teare and Goldberger.

Feb. 28. Sleigh ride after school—weather ideal.

Apr. 17. Superintendent Sanford of La Grange schools took some of the older boys to drainage canal.

June 17. First Congregational Church picnic at Fullersburg.

July 4. Celebrated the day.

July 26. Home picnic at Fullersburg.

Aug. 5. Second annual picnic of Auxiliary Visitation Committee Oriental Consistory at Bergmann's Grove, Riverside.

Aug. 5. A long free ride on a merry-go-round after returning from picnic, through the kindness of Brothers Eddy, Dore and Rowley of La Grange Lodge No. 717.

Aug. 26. Picnic at Bergmann's Grove given by Arcana Low Twelve Club.

At the two last picnics dinner was provided and all transportation charges paid by the committees.

On account of the distance we were compelled to decline, with regret, invitations to picnics given by Dearborn Lodge, York Chapter, and the General Committee, and from Brother W. K. Greenebaum to our annual ride across the lake.

We have acknowledged with thanks the following donations:

Six doz. boxes candy and six doz. boxes cracker jack from Garden City Lodge No. 141 for Thanksgiving.

One hundred and sixty boxes candy from La Grange Lodge No. 770.

A Christmas tree and a present for every boy and girl in the Home from the Chicago Examiner.

A stocking filled with candy and popcorn for every child in the Home from the Brown school, Chicago; Matilda M. Niehaus, Principal.

A graphophone and thirty-six records from Brother Horace C. Nelson, of Pleiades Lodge No. 478.

Thirty pounds candy canes from Brother H. B. Miller of Blair Lodge No. 293.

A valentine for each boy and girl from Miss Harriet Mohr.

A punching bag from Prof. J. P. Gebhardt.

A lot of magazines from Mr. W. T. Krausch.

An elegant cake from Dr. Hugh Calvin Smith, President Welfare Co., Chicago, through Brother Moulton. Made by Mrs. Jessie Wilkins Wilkinson, said to be the champion cake-maker of Nashville. Our children are ready to admit the claim.

Eleven skirts, two night dresses and two aprons, new, from Naomi Conclave No. 10, True Kindred.

Two lbs. fine fresh sandwiches and twenty-five lbs. cooked meat from Brother H. C. Boes.

A large box candy, some meat pies and bread from Brother J. N. Bell.

Half barrel sweet potatoes, four boxes oranges, three boxes apples, four cans candy, some grape juice and crackers from Brother L. G. Kunze.

Several bouquets of choice flowers from Mrs. Dore, of La Grange.

A very large patent swing and slide, made to order, from York Chapter No. 148, R. A. M. These have been very much enjoyed by the children.

We are under obligations to Brother D. D. Darrah for the Freemason during the year.

\$97.04

Mrs. Bassett has been faithful and painstaking in the discharge of her important duties, and joins me in thanking the Executive Committee for the support given us and courtesies extended to us during the year. Brother Robert C. Fletcher has given me valuable assistance in connection with business transactions in La Grange, where I was an entire stranger when we moved here.

Superintendent's Fund

RECEIPTS

RECEIPTS
Cash balance October 1, 1910
\$6,537.72
DISBURSEMENTS
Provisions
Clothing
Labor
School 329.31
Medical
Home Furnishings
Repairs 75.01
Fuel
Sundries 1,953.88
Balance unexpended
\$6,537.72
SALES AND REFUNDS
RECEIPTS
Sold old furniture and barrels

DISBURSEMENTS

	,\$27.06 69.98
sept. 25, easily to bro. c. S. Gurney	
	\$97.04

CHRISTMAS FUND

RECEIPTS	
Cash balance October 1, 1910\$	605.08
Dearborn Lodge No. 310.	25.00
York Chapter No. 148	5.00
Marine Lodge No. 355	5.00
Cicero Chapter No. 180	25.00
Cleveland Lodge No. 211	25.00
Waubansia Lodge No. 160	25.00
Austin Lodge No. 850	25.00
Columbian Lodge No. 819	10.00
Delavan Lodge Lodge No. 156	5.00
Pyramid Lodge No. 887	5.00
Greenville Lodge No. 245	5.00
Royal Chapter No. 217, O. E. S	10.00
Ancient Craft Lodge No. 907	10.00
Thos. J. Turner Lodge No. 409	10.00
East St. Louis Lodge No. 504	25.00
Accordia Lodge No. 277	5.00
Antioch Lodge No. 127	5.00
Wright's Grove Lodge No. 779.	5.00
Golden Rod Chapter No. 205, O. E. S	25.00
Columbia Chapter No. 202, R. A. M	10.00
Welcome Lodge No. 916	15.00
Jeffersonville Lodge No. 460	2.50
Golden Rule Lodge No. 726	10.00
Tancred Commandery No. 50, K. T	10.00
Crescent Lodge No. 895	10.00
Lincoln Park Chapter No. 177	5.00
Arcana Lodge No. 717	50.00
D. C. Cregier Lodge No. 643	10.00
Gothic Lodge No. 852	10.00
Galena Commandery No. 40, K. T	5.00
Medinah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S	250.00
Sarah A. Eddy, Treasurer	52.61
Oblong City Lodge No. 6444	17.50
Oriental Consistory S. P. R. S	500.00
Edgewater Lodge No. 901	25.00

Bee Hive Lodge No. 909	25.00
Ellis Lodge No. 633	5.00
Ramsey Lodge No. 405	3.00
Auxiliary Visitation Committee, O. C	10.00
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\$	1,885.69
DISBURSEMENTS	
As per receipted bills audited by Executive Committee\$	1,665.15
Cash balance September 30	220.54
	1,885.69

Although kept with Christmas Fund for convenience, a considerable amount of the receipts was contributed expressly for pictures, manual training and gymnasium for the new Home and used accordingly.

ADMITTED SINCE SEPTEMBER 30, 1910.

			Age	
Name, Adm	itted.	Age.	Now.	Lodge. Location.
Loverin, Gertrude COct.	8, 1910	ΙI	ΙI	Princeton, 587 Princeton
	8, 1910	9	10	Princeton, 587 Princeton
	6, 1910	12	13	Keystone, 639Chicago
Gandee, Satie HDec.	8, 1910	6	6	Xenia, 485Xenia
Gandee, Daisy TDec.	8, 1910	4	5	Xenia, 485Xenia
Jones, Lloyd WJan. 2	9, 1911	II	ΙI	Arcana, 717Chicago
Jones, Arthur GJan. 2	9, 1911	9	9	Arcana, 717Chicago
Rhydderch, WinnifredJan. 2	9, 1911	II	1.2	Fides, 842 West Pullman
Rhydderch, David AJan. 20	9, 1911	6	7	Fides, 842 West Pullman
Jones, Gladys HFeb.		6	6	Arcana, 717
	3, 1911	4	5	Arcana, 717
Gunn, Wallace AFeb. 2	5, 1911	7	7	Nunda, 169N. Crystal Lake
Funk, Weir MMar.		7	8	Exeter, 424 Exeter
Funk, Chester '	2, 1911	6	6	Exeter, 424 Exeter
Funk, Keith KMar.	2, 1911	3	4	Exeter, 424Exeter
Pride, MaryMar. 2	0, 1911	10	10	Maroa, 454
Pride, Roy MMar. 2	0, 1911	8	8	Maroa, 454
Brown, Frances E Mar. 2	5, 1911	6	6	Oblong City, 644Oblong
Jones, Earl GApr.	5, 1911	4	4	Corner Stone, 875Chicago
Trauth, Raymond LApr. 2	3, 1911	11	ΙI	Jerusalem Tem., 90Aurora
Trauth, Frederick EApr. 2	3, 1911	9	9	Jerusalem Tem., 90Aurora
Martinsen, Byron FMay	1, 1911	5	5	D. C. Cregier, 643Chicago
	1, 1911	3	4	D. C. Cregier, 643Chicago
Thygesen, JohannaAug.	7, 1911	1.2	1.2	Richard Cole, 697Chicago
Thygesen, Else PAug.	7, 1911	10	11	Richard Cole, 697Chicago
Thygesen, Julius EAug.	7, 1911	3	3	Richard Cole, 697 Chicago
Downes, Elizabeth IAug. 1		10	10	Prairie, 77Paris
Downes, ThelmaAug. 1-	9, 1911	7	7	Prairie, 77Paris
Downes, Charles FAug. 1	9, 1911	4	4	Prairie, 77Paris
VanWeelde, Roy ESept. 2.	4, 1911	10	IO	Palace, 765Pullman
VanWeelde, Irvin HSept. 2	4, 1911	9	9	Palace, 765Pullman
VanWeelde, Lucille ESept. 2.	4, 1911	7	7	Palace, 765Pullman
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DISCHARGED SINCE SEPTEMBER, 30, 1910.

Zetta RogersOct. 1, 1910	Kethel F. RhodusJune 27, 1910
Grace RogersOct. 1, 1910	Helen RhodusJune 27, 1910
Harry NiemeyerApr. 19, 1911	Lillian BrookmanJuly 8, 1911
Esther WaymanMay 28, 1911	Herbert OlsonJuly 18, 1911
Josephine Wayman May 28, 1911	Frederick Brookman Aug. 13, 1911
James A. LaneJune 22, 1911	Henrietta AdairAug. 16, 1911
Lloyd W. JonesSept. 4, 1911	

PRESENT MEMBERSHIP OF THE HOME.

			Age		
Name.	Admitted.	Age.	Now.		Location.
Kernahan, William JN	ov. 1, 190	1 3	13	Ashlar, 308	Chicago
Seabrook, Florence D			1.4	Reruvn 830	
Seabrook, HowardD			13	Berwyn, 839	
Brookman, Virginia AJu Lane, Gladys BJr	ine 11, 190		1.2	Garfield, 686	Chicago
Seabrook, Alice MSe	nt 29, 190	3 5	13	Ellis, 633	Rockford Berwyn
Shaw, Robert ESe	pt. 3, 190	3 5	13	Hesperia 41	1Chicago
Ledger, Marian CF	eb. 20, 190	5 9	15	Convenant	526Chicago
Crapp, Laura M	ay 30, 190	5 8	15	Mystic Star.	758Chicago
Crapp, Robert	ay 30, 190		11	Mystic Star.	758Chicago
Black, Agnes MSe	pt. 1, 190		13	Richard Cole	e, 697Chicago
Hoseney, Ora MAt Hoseney, Bernice VAt	1g. 24, 190	7 10	14	Hutton, 698	Diona
Van Asdlen, BessieJa	ng. 24, 190	7 4	10	Hutton, 698	
Van Asdlen, William Ja	an. 31, 190	8 7	8	Channahon,	262Channahon
Caskie, James HM	ar. 18. 100	8 10	14	Englewood f	590Chicago
Messner, Christian M	ay 7, 190		11	Accordia 27	7Chicago
Messner, Joseph FM	ay 7, 190	8 5	9	Accordia 27	7 Chicago
Hopkins, Mabel CA	ig. 30, 190		11	Myrtle, 705	
Hopkins, HelenSe	pt. 13, 190		10	Murtle 705	C.nicago
Bablitz, MamieO Adair, Robert WJa	ct. 5, 190	8 8 9 8	11	Constantia, 7	83Chicago
Adair, Arthur J	an. 21, 190	9 6	11	Arcana, 717	Chicago
Swalley, Carter AM	ar. 20. 100	9 5	7	I D Moods	, 510Iuka
Swalley, Helen DM	ar. 20. 100	0 2	4	I. D. Moody	7. 510luka
Norris, Evelyn MM	ay 6, 190	9 6	9	Composite, 8	79Chicago
Norris, William HM	ay 6, 190		7	Composite, 8	79Chicago
Gutcher, William RM	ay 20, 190		9	Harbor, 731	Chicago
Gutcher, Thomas AM Hjarsen, Otto A. PM	ay 20, 190	9 5	7	Harbor, 731	Chicago
Schubert, AliceAu	ay 21, 190	9 11	13	Union Park	Chicago
Welborn, CharlesAt	1g. 31. 100	0 11	13	New Haven.	230New Haven
Welborn, Richard JAs	1g. 3I. 100	0 0	11	New Haven.	230New Haven
Ashley, Herbert RNo	ov. 16, 190	9 10	12	Alma 407 .	Steeleville
Ashley, Marie DNo	ov. 6, 190	9 7	9	Alma, 497	Steeleville
Mellor, Gertrude No Mellor, Harold J No			1,3	l'leiades, 478	Chicago
Mellor, Edith MNo	OV. 12, 190	9 2	4	Pleiades, 478	Chicago Chicago
Shanks, William SM	ar. 5. 101	0 12	13	Cleveland 2:	11 Chicago
Shanks, George B M.	ar. 5. 101	0 10	11	Cleveland, 2:	ıı . :
Shanks, Harold E M.	ar. 5, 191	0 7	9	Cleveland, 2:	riChicago
Ruhle, William	ar. 7, 191	0 8	10		11Chicago
Ruhle, Albert GM. Finlayson, Alex. JJu	ar. 7, 191	0 7	8	Cleveland. 21	11Chicago
Finlayson, DouglasJu	ne 1, 191		9	Aurora, 254	Aurora
Finlayson, DorothyJu	ne 1, 191		7 7	Aurora, 254	Aurora
Rhydderch, DorothyIu	ne 11, 101	0 8	9	Fides 842	West Pullman
Beenke, MartinJu	ne 26, 191	0 7	7	Kensington,	804Chicago
Beenke, Albertus Ju	ne 26, 191	0 3	4	Kensington,	804 Chicago
Beenke, Johan	ily 17, 191	0 5	6	Kensington,	804Chicago
Ruhle, Paulina Se Giseke, John J Se	pt. 14, 191	o 5	6	Cleveland, 2:	11Chicago
Giseke August W Sa	pt. 15, 191	0 8	9 8	Oriental, 33	
Giseke, August WSe Giseke, Bernhard HSe	pt. 15, 191	0 7	4	Oriental 22	Chicago
Loverin, Gertrude	ct. 8, 191	0 11	12	Princeton, 58	87 Princeton
Loverin, Harry JO	ct. 8, 191	0 9	10	Princeton, 58	7Princeton

PRESENT MEMBERSHIP OF THE HOME-Continued.

Name.	Admitted	Age	Age	Lodge	Location.
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Gandee, Satie II			6	Xenia, 485	Xenia
Gandee, Daisy T			5	Xenia, 485	Xenia
Jones, Arthur G	Jan. 29, 1911	9	9	Arcana, 717	·
Rhydderch, Winnifred	Jan. 29, 1911	II	12	Fides, 842	West Pullman
Rhydderch, David A	Tan. 20, 1911	6	7	Fides, 842	West Pullman
Jones, Gladys II	Feb. 3, 1911	6	6	Arcana, 717	· · · · · · · Chicago

Name. Adm	itted.	Age.	Age Now.	Lodge.	Locatio	11.
Jones, Gertrude MFeb.	3, 1911	4	5	Arcana, 717	Chica	go
Gunn, Wallace AFeb. 2 Funk, Weir MMar.	5, 1911	7	7	Nunda, 169	N. Crystal La	ke
Funk, Weir MMar.	2, 1911 2, 1911	7 5	6	Exeter, 424	Exet	er
Funk Keith K Mar.	2. TOTT	3	4	Exeter, 424	Exet	er
Pride, Mary	0, 1911	10	10	Maroa, 454		oa
Pride, Mary Mar. 2 Pride, Roy M Mar. 2 Brown, Frances E Mar. 2	0, 1911 5, 1011	8 6	. 8	Maroa, 454		oa ng
lones, Earl GApr.	5, 1911	4	4	Corner Stor	, 644Oblor ne, 875Chica	go
Trauth, Raymond LApr. 2	3, 1911	11	11	Terusalem T	em., 90Auro	ra
Trauth, Frederick EApr. 2 Martensen Byron FMay	1, 1911	9 5	9 5		er, 643Chica	
Martensen, Benford May	1, 1911	3	4	D. C. Cregie	er, 643Chica	go
Thygesen, JohannaAug.	7, 1911	12	12	Richard Col	e, 697Chica e, 697Chica	go
Thygesen, Else PAug. Thygesen, Julius EAug.	7, 1911	10 3	1 I 3	Richard Col	le, 697Chica	go go
Downes, ElizabethAug. I Downes, ThelmaAug. I	9, 1911	10	10	Prairie, 77		ris
Downes, ThelmaAug. I	9, 1911	7	7	Prairie, 77	Par	ris
VanWeelde, Roy ESent. 2	9, 1911	4 10	4	Palace, 765		an
Downes, Charles FAug. 1 VanWeelde, Roy ESept. 2 VanWeelde, Irvin HSept. 2	4, 1911	9	9	Palace, 765	Pullm.	an
VanWeelde, LucilleSept. 2	4, 1911	7	7	Palace, 765	Pullm	an
Members in the Home Octob Admitted during the year Discharged during the year. Members in the Home Septe Gain during the year Average population, taken fr	 mber 30					32 97 13 84
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Taken out by parent now abl	le to pr	ovide				4
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Expiration of time	. .			. 		2
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The age of the oldest member of the Home is 15 years, and the age of the youngest member is 3 years. The average age of the present membership is 9 years, computed on the actual ages.

Fraternally,

CHAS. E. BASSETT,

La Grange, September 30, 1911.

Superintendent.

LA GRANGE, ILLINOIS, September 18, 1911.

To the President and Trustees Illinois Masonic Homes:

As to the condition of the children in the Orphans' Home in this city, from a medical standpoint, I have very little but the most favorable to report.

Shortly after they were moved to this Home we had an epidemic of mumps in the village, and twenty cases developed in the Home. No severe or complicated cases, and all made perfect recoveries.

One boy who, I understand, was admitted to the Home just before moving here, came here in a badly run-down condition, and had a bad vaccination sore on his arm and required considerable attention for some time, but has now become strong and well nourished. Aside from this I have had nothing under my care but slight ailments.

I think that the children all show a healthier condition since coming here, which is attributable to the abundance of pure air and the opportunity they now have of being outside more than would be possible in the city home.

A. E. Higgins, M. D.

LA GRANGE, ILLINOIS.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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

Another year of our trusteeship of the Home at Sullivan is closed, and we are pleased to report that its business and affairs have been running along smoothly, harmoniously and pleasantly. A few changes have been introduced in the general system of management, as experience suggested and conditions demanded, and better results, we believe, have been obtained. Strict economy in the disbursement of the funds has been practiced, without impairment, however, of the high standards heretofore followed in the general business and operation of the Home.

Following the established custom, twelve (12) monthly meetings of the Committee have been held at the Home with all members present at each session. Those of us, to whom special matters were referred, have made other visits. The Committee meetings have been pleasant and harmonious, and the very best interests of the Home have ever been its first and only consideration. The entire Board of Trustees held one meeting at the Home in August.

The expense of maintenance has not exceeded the amount appropriated. A small unexpended balance will be turned back to Grand Lodge. The average monthly cost of maintenance is about \$2,000. The receipts for the year, and gross monthly expenses being as follows:

Total appropriation	4,000.00
Special appropriation for gas plant	600.00
Funeral expenses received from lodges	280.18

\$24,880.18

AMOUNTS DRAWN FROM THE FUND BY MONTHS

October, 19 November, December,

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1910	٠.									 					1,955.00
1910										 					2,607.01
Η										 					2,575.87
1101										 					1,554.22

 January, 1911
 2,575.87

 February, 1911
 1,554.22

 March, 1911
 2,134.02

 April, 1911
 1,825.51

 May, 1911
 1,987.60

 June, 1911
 1,997.90

 July, 1911
 1,686.91

 August, 1911
 2,024.12

 September, 1911
 2,125.95

\$24,585.58

Unexpended balance

\$ 294.60

In December, 1910, we purchased our yearly supply of canned goods, and in January, 1911, paid for the gas plant.

The sum of \$24,000.00 will be amply sufficient to maintain the Home the coming year, and we recommend that this amount be again appropriated. One half of the appropriation should be turned over to the Treasurer of the Board, and be available, immediately at the close of the session of the Grand Lodge, and the remainder on March 1, 1912.

At the last session of the Grand Lodge, the sum of \$600.00 was appropriated for a Gas Plant, and the sum of \$1,000.00 for a Refrigerator Plant. A Matthews Gasoline Gas Plant, of 200 light capacity, has been installed at at cost of \$887.27, and included three gas stoves, burners and tips, a lot of new piping, and a supply of gasoline. The amount paid, in excess of the \$600.00 appropriation, was met from our general fund. The Gas Plant has been in operation over nine months and gives entire satisfaction.

The Refrigerator Plant was not installed, and the \$1,000.00 appropriated for that purpose, not used. Upon a more careful consideration of the wants of the Home—and advice from experts whom we consulted, it was found that the plant in contemplation last year, was not of sufficient capacity, and, believing that it was unwise to install one not wholly adequate to the growing wants of the institution, decided to hold the matter in abeyance and ask for a sufficient appropriation to install one that will be suitable, and which plant will be larger than the one first decided upon, and be of sufficient capacity to not only cool our present refrigerator, but cool, also, an additional storage room of 1,000 cubic feet capacity for our surplus supply of meats and provisions, and make sufficient ice, daily, for use in our sick wards and hospital. Bids for the plant were had from several

firms. It will cost \$2,200.00. It is a necessary and much needed improvement. We recommend the appropriation.

The sewage tank, mentioned in our last report, was completed last Fall, and has been in operation a year. It is entirely satisfactory, and will answer all wants of the Home for some years.

Applications for admission during the year have been received and disposed of, as follows:

Number received	33
Approved20	
Not approved 6	
Withdrawn 2	
No action—petitioners died while applications were	
pending 2	
Pending	33

During the year we added a graduate nurse to our corps of hospital attendants, a much needed addition, and now have four employees in attendance on the sick and afflicted. Our sick wards are crowded and several patients are treated in their rooms, for lack of better accommodations. We need a separate hospital building. The well members are now in too close proximity to the sick and are now too often distressed by the frequent cries of the afflicted. A separate hospital would relieve the Home of this inconvenience, and the wards and rooms, vacated by the sick, would increase the capacity of the Home for the care of the well who are applying for admission. The total expense, for medical attention, salaries of attendants, and nurses, with other items indirectly expended for the care of the sick, will make the whole cost, in this department, run over \$4,500.00 for the year.

The annual report of Dr. W. P. Davidson, our house Physician, accompanies this report, and contains statistical information relating to his doings. The Doctor has been uniformly painstaking, sympathetic and patient in his treatment and care of our afflicted; we commend him and take occasion here to state that his services have ever been satisfactory.

Our friends, as usual, have been kind to the Home during the past year, and we again thank them for their gifts of money and useful articles, a detailed list of which appears in the report of our Superintendent.

We call attention to the very satisfactory and comprehensive report of Brother Charles L. Hovey, our Superintendent, accompanying this report. It contains much valuable information relative to the Home, statistical and otherwise. We stated, in our report last year, that there was no hospital at the Home, that we could not take those who needed medical attention and the attention of an attendant all or part of the time, and endeavored then to make this emphatic, and again this year, in all correspondence with lodges, but regardless of all this, members came to us during the year whose mental and physical condition rendered them ineligible—but were otherwise represented to us. Some we retained, others were sent back. The rule will be very strictly adhered to the coming year. None will be received.

It is an old saying that "a stitch in time saves nine"—this is applicable to the buildings at Sullivan. If they are not kept up, from year to year, extensive and expensive repairs become necessary. No painting and repair work, to any considerable extent, have been done on the buildings for five years. This work is now much needed, and should not be further postponed. We have had Deal & Ginzel, our architects, go over the buildings, make out itemized list of things needing attention, and make approximate estimate of the cost for the repairs, and they advise us that it will be \$2,900.00. We cannot meet this from our general fund, and recommend a special appropriation. The work should be done at once.

Our present water supply, and pressure system, are insufficient, uncertain and crude. The Home uses, daily, 6,000 gallons, supplied by one small well of uncertain capacity. The pressure for the Home use comes from one small tank, in the attic of the first building erected, and this must be pumped full three times each day. We need a new well, deep enough to insure ample supply, a more modern pumping plant, and, also an outside, elevated, steel tank, large enough to hold four or five days' supply—this would furnish pressure for all the buildings, and connections for fire protection. We have now no fire protection. A wind-mill should be erected over the old well to use in favorable weather, as an auxiliary pumping station to fill the tank, and also to relieve the pumps at the machinery house, and take the place of them in case of accidents. An approximate cost for this improvement, estimated by our architect, is \$5,450.00. We recommend a special appropriation of this amount.

We use hard water now in the laundry. It is an expensive proposition on soap. An abundance of water falls on our buildings but is lost through the sewers. We should save it and use it. A chain of cisterns should be installed at once, large enough to hold all the water from the roofs, and for use in our laundry. The approximate cost for this improvement, estimated by our architects, is \$875.00, and we recommend a special appropriation of this amount.

Fraternally submitted,

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

October 1, 1911.

Sullivan, Illinois, October 1, 1911.

To the President and Members of the Board of the Illinois Masonic Home:

I beg to make the following report of the general health of the members of the Masonic Home at Sullivan for the year ending September 30, 1911:

It has been my custom to make one regular visit each week to the Home, going every Wednesday, and special visits as often as needed. We have more sickness among the members as time goes on; most of them are on the decline when admitted, and on several occasions we have admitted them when very sick and even unconscious—not even knowing when they arrived at the Home. We have treated fifty cases of sickness and accidents in the hospital department in the past year, patients being sick from one day to six months. A number of them, after recovering from the acute attack, will be unable to care for themselves, and will remain in the hospital.

There are fifteen chronic cases at present, which fills the sick wards, and no more can be admitted until some one departs this life; ten of the fifteen cases are men and five are women; five have locomotor ataxia; one brother is blind and paralyzed from his waist down, and the remaining ones are afflicted with senile debility. We have only had eight (8) deaths in the past year, all of them being brothers; no sister has died. There has been no contagious or infectious diseases—except in one case of tuberculosis and he was sent home and died. There are numbers of patients being treated outside the hospital in their rooms from twenty-four to sixty hours, and as many as four to six have to have attention night and morning, dressing vericose ulcers, treating the ears and eyes, and seeing that they get their regular baths and exercise. All of these details require the constant care of the nurses and helpers. The time has come when there is need of different arrangements for the care of the sick and helpless.

I am going to ask that the Grand Lodge allows us a hospital, and one that will be modern and up-to-date and will, at least, accommodate fifty patients. It will have to be three stories high with no basement; it must have a male and female ward—accommodating six to eight beds to a ward, and the remainder of the building made into private rooms for one bed, and when crowded can place the second bed in a room. It must be large enough to allow for the nurses and attendants, private rooms, kitchen and one small dining room, most of the meals being now carried to the patients on trays. It must have an up-to-date operating room, elevator and three padded cells. This building must be modern in every respect, well heated, plenty of fresh air and light. Our undertaker must have a morgue as we have never had a place to prepare the dead for burial and shipment. It will only require a small morgue built separate from the hospital. Our undertaker has consented to furnish the ambulance service between the

hospital and the railway station. This building is an absolute necessity as our present quarters are decidedly too small and never were a fit place for people who are sick and helpless.

We have had for the past year, a trained nurse, Alida S. Johnson, who has given excellent service. The work is such that we cannot do it without a nurse of experience and must have one experienced man to assist in caring for the sick brothers, and one assistant also to aid in the care of sick women.

Yours fraternally,

W. P. Davidson, Attending Physician.

ILLINOIS MASONIC HOME

Sullivan, Illinois, September 25, 1911.

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

DEAR BRETHEEN:—Herewith my report for the year ending September 25, 1911.

Our Home Family have passed through the year in fairly good shape. Peace and harmony prevail and all is well.

We wish our brothers throughout the state could have visited the Home during the month of June while the roses were in bloom. There was a solid bank of them three feet wide clear across the front of the building. We heard many expressions of delight from passers-by regarding those roses. Our Home garden has been a source of great satisfaction, furnishing us with necessary vegetables fresh every day. We have been most fortunate in having a full supply of potatoes during the summer, all dug from our Home garden. We feel justly proud of our cows, pigs, chickens, ducks, turkeys and guineas.

On October 20, 1910, Hon. W. B. McKinley visited our Home and made an address to our old boys and girls.

November 24, 1910, Garden City Lodge No. 141, Chicago, sent us a box of choice candies for every one of our Home family. On same date we received cigars from Brothers B. W. Shibley, Greenburg and Otto Sikrogs.

We had a splendid Thanksgiving dinner. As we gathered about our tables to partake of the good things provided, our hearts went out in gratitude and thanksgiving to our Heavenly Father and to our brethren in Illinois for the blessings and comforts we enjoy.

December 24, 1910, Wm. McKinley Lodge No. 876, Chicago, sent us one checker board and set of checkers, two games, one box playing cards,

four whist tablets, six pinochle decks cards, one box for cards, pencil and tablet.

Our Christmas time was one of delight for our whole family. Everybody was happy and had a good time.

On February 2, 1911, Brother and Sister Arthur Warrington, of Chicago, presented our Home with a beautifully bound book of Battles and Leaders of the Civil War.

March 3 Brother Daniel Martin, member of our Home family, gave us the dance of the Marinets. This was a fine entertainment, and was one of three given to the Home by this brother, each of which was highly appreciated by our old boys and girls.

June 11, 1911, the Wehrmann Quartette, composed of the Misses Maude Wallace, Nell Nollen, Ruth Evans, Amy K. Hovey, and their reader, Miss Hazel Brand, gave us a concert that was high class. Several of the members of our Home family said they felt at least ten years younger on account of this musical treat.

On July 27, 1911, the Sullivan High School Quartette, composed of Harry Harsh, Lowe Hall, Isaac Hagerman and Chas. H. Butler, gave us a very enjoyable evening's entertainment.

On July 29, 1911, our Masonic Home Club was instituted by Past Grand Master Owen Scott as Grand Master. This club starts out in fine form. Macon Lodge No. 8, Decatur, and Garden City No. 141, Chicago, both seeing to it that the Club was provided with the necessary supplies and furnishings. The Club duly appreciates their kindness and says thank you.

In December some unknown friends from Rock Island, we think, sent us candies and cigars for Christmas. We take this means of conveying to them our sincere thanks.

On July 4, 1911, our Masonic brethren, Dave Enslow, Sam Miller, Otto Todd and the Sullivan Automobile Company of Sullivan, placed their automobiles at our service, and took all who cared to go, to Sullivan to see the fire-works. This was a fine treat and we thank our brothers very much.

We are indebted to our brother, James A. Steele, for the following magazines: Cosmopolitan, McClure's, Red Book, Hampton, Scribners and the Ladies' Home Journal. This is a yearly occurrence for Brother Steele, and we extend him our grateful thanks.

Through the courtesy of our friends and the publishers we receive the following: Bloomington Daily Bulletin, Bloomington Weekly Pantagraph, Decatur Herald, Reynolds Press, Galesburg Evening News, Peoria Jour-

nal, Peoria Star, Orange Judd Farmer, Wallace Farmer, Farm Journal, Sullivan Democrat, Sullivan Progress, Moultrie County News, Sullivan Saturday Herald, Windsor Gazette, Masonic News, Masonic Chronicle, Voice of Masonry, Illinois Freemason, Eastern Star Journal and Square and Compass.

To our brother, B. W. Shibley and the publishers of the Chicago American and the Chicago Examiner we are indebted for a supply of these papers daily.

To our brother, Charles Catlin, Secretary Oriental Lodge 33, Lodge Note.

During the year we have lost the following members of our Home family: Zachariah Shugart, of Colchester Lodge No. 496, died January 2, 1911; his body was taken to Galesburg for burial. Stephen Ellis of Harmony Lodge No. 3, died February 2, 1911. His body was taken to Jacksonville for burial. Edward J. Savigney of Austin Lodge No. 850, Chicago, died February 2, 1911. His body was taken to Lansing, Mich., for burial. Orlando O. Wormwood of Jerusalem Temple Lodge No. 90, Aurora, Ill., died February 25, 1911. His body was taken to Chicago for burial. Robert Huffmaster of Loami Lodge 450, died April 22, 1911. His body was taken to Loami for burial. John D. Easter of Evans Lodge No. 523, Evanston, Ill., died May 16, 1911. His body was taken to Chicago for burial. George Cushing of Bradford Lodge No. 514, died June 10, 1911. His body was taken to Bradford for burial. Wm. M. McIntosh of Miles Hart Lodge No. 595, died June 12, 1911. His body was taken to Mattoon for burial.

Three members left the Home to live elsewhere. Four members were discharged.

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS COMPOSE OUR HOME FAMILY:

Name. Age. Mrs. A. W. Philhower 71 Alexander Masters 78 Mary J. Masters 73 L. N. Roland 86 J. W. Apperson 89 Henry F. Birely 82 Chas. H. Hubbell 80 Hiram H. Carpenter 89 Thos. Cunningham 61 Geo. N. Van Houten 82 John S. Kistler 65 A. D. Rundell 80 A. J. Lundquist 82 Wm. C. McDugle 82 Levi Sisk 83 Phillippa Nelson 73 George McKissick 59 Mary A. Alexander 77 James W. Hoover 63	Date Admitted. Nov. 23, 1904 Dec. 7, 1904 Dec. 7, 1904 Dec. 15, 1904 Dec. 27, 1904 Dec. 27, 1904 Dec. 29, 1904 Feb. 15, 1905 May 1, 1905 May 12, 1905 June 28, 1905 Oct. 16, 1905 Nov. 28, 1905 Nov. 28, 1905 Feb. 22, 1906 Mar. 31, 1906 June 29, 1906	Lodge. Mattoon Central Central Central Virden Bloomfield Robert Burns Lancaster Oriental Mahomet Landmark Preemption Acacia Greenview Clinton Prairie Pleiades Rock Island Ionic Greenup	No. 260 71 71 161 148 112 106 33 220 755 67 63 19 7478 658 312 125	Location. Mattoon Mattoon Springfield Springfield Springfield Virden Chrisman Keithsburg Glasford Chicago Mahomet Chicago Preemption La Salle Greenview Petersburg Paris Chicago Rock Island Decatur Greenup
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Name Age	Date Admitted	Lodge	No.	Location
	Nov. 12, 1906	Empire	126	Pekin
Hester Mepham 89 Orrilla McAllister 74	June 29, 1907	Genoa	288	Genoa
Coorgo W Hamor		Tyrian		
George W. Hamer81 John W. Walker79			333	Springfield
John W. Walker79	Oct. 19, 1907	New Hope	620	Livingston
Gabriel Clark80	Dec. 4, 1907	Flora	204	Flora
Oswin Bourne74	Jan. 29, 1908	Streator	607	Streator
Allen Newnham76	Feb. 1, 1908	Barry	34	Barry
Sarah Cain	Feb. 18, 1908	Barry Blue Mound	682	Blue Mound
Mrs. G. W. Hamer 78	Apr. 15, 1908	Tvrian	333	Springfield
W. H. Maroe52	Apr. 20, 1908	Kendrick	430	Timewell
Lewis Klein	Apr. 28, 1908	Key Stone	629	Chicago
Thos. Gonio72	May 6, 1908			Chicago
Anthony M. I. 11-11-	May 0, 1908	Covenant	526	
Arthur M. Kelly61	May 11, 1908	Atlanta	165	Atlanta
John Gregor	May 11, 1908 May 11, 1908	Nebo	806	Nebo
A. W. Pohlman57	May 11, 1908	Temple	46	Peoria
Harrison_Orr73	May 12, 1908	Toledo	834	Toledo
Thomas B. Sprouse66	May 14, 1908	Carmi	272	Carmi
Robt. J. Dauphiney. 69 Fred Yunker	May 18, 1908	Grafield	686	Chicago
Fred Yunker70	May 22, 1908	Wilmington	208	Wilmington
W. H. Snell	May 26, 1908	Benjamin	297	Camp Point
John T Fitzpatrick 76	June 21, 1908	Arcana	717	Chicago
Wm. Leeper62		Oriental		Chicago
Ernest Adam80	Aug. 24, 1908		33	
	Sept. 3, 1908	Herman	39	Quincy
Aaron Hall	Sept. 9, 1908	Ionic	312	Decatur
Nels. Anderson81	Sept. 12, 1908	Lakeside	739	Chicago
Ellen Bruner72	Oct. 3, 1908	Peasa	27	Alton
L. B. Phettyplace68	Dec. 2, 1908	D. C. Cregier	643	Chicago
Maria Carter84	Dec. 10, 1908	Landmark	422	Chicago
S. R. Stoddard75	Jan. 4, 1909	Effingham	49	Effingham
Ias H Champlin 62	Apr. 19, 1909	Capron	575	Capron
Nellie G. Champlin 40	Apr. 19, 1909	Capron		Capron
Nellie G. Champlin. 49 Mary J. Dauphiney. 55 Bicknell Fancher 81		Garfield	575 686	
Pielmell Fanches				Chicago
E M D.1	May 8, 1909	Dearborn	310	Chicago
E. N. Baker	May 18, 1909	Wade Barney	512	Bloomington
Mrs. E. N. Baker60	June 29, 1909	Wade Barney	512	Bloomington
Mrs. Amelia Robbins73	June 4, 1909	Waubansia	160	Chicago
G. H. Reynolds	June 22, 1909	Kilwinning	311	Chicago
G. A. Titus64	June 25, 1909	Illinois	263	Peoria
Wm. A. Young82	July 22, 1909	Hope	162	Sparta
Mrs. M. A. Walder72	July 30, 1909	Cairo	237	Cairo
Chas. Maroe14	July 30, 1909	Kendrick	430	Timewell
L. J. Kolar63	Aug. 30, 1909	Pleiades	478	Chicago
Mary I Hurlbut 70	Oct. 18, 1909	Englewood	690	Chicago
Mary J. Hurlbut	Nov. 6, 1909	Lincoln Park	611	
Martha Lawrence75				Chicago
Cothorino Toylor	Nov. 18, 1909	Cleveland	211	Chicago
Catherine Taylor74 George W. McIntire66	Dec. 2, 1909	Garden City	111	Chicago
Fit- A Distriction	Mar. 9, 1910	Vesper	584	Galesburg
Ella A. Phillips64	Apr. 15, 1910	Murphysboro	498	Murphyshoro
Thos. A. Phillips73	Apr. 15, 1910	Murphyshoro	498	Murphysboro
Chas. S. Wigginton77	Мау 10, 1910	Robinson	250	Robinson
Wm. P. Mattison85	June 27, 1910	Kilwinning	311	Chicago
L. K. Tucker	July 30, 1910	Geneva	139	Geneva
Thos. A. Phillips. 73 Chas. S. Wigginton. 77 Wm. P. Mattison. 85 L. K. Tucker. 78 Mrs. E. A. Ferguson. 79	Aug. 16, 1910	Ionic	312	Decatur
Mrs. Martha Humble76	Sept. 9, 1910	Iuka	510	Iuka
F. A. Maxey72	Oct. 11, 1910	Franklin	25	Upper Alton
Danl. Martin82	Nov. 77, 1910	Cambridge		Combridge
H. F. Maagensen66	Nov. 17, 1910		49	Cambridge
Puchnell Strong	Nov. 28, 1910	Hesperia	411	Chicago
Bushnell Strong75	Jan. 4, 1911	Kilwinning	311	Chicago
Emil Skagen	Feb. 21, 1911	Sheridan	735	Sheridan
Richard M. Moore60	Mar. 30, 1911	Triluminar	767	Chicago
Alice T. Moore67	Mar. 30, 1911	Triluminar	767	Chicago
Chas. E. Park53	Apr. 8, 1911	Union Park	610	Chicago
Phebe J. Park49	Apr. 8, 1911	Union Park Union Park	610	Chicago
Mrs. Martha Smith76	June 7, 1911	Cairo	237	Cairo
Mrs. Martha Smith	Aug. 10, 1011	Covenant	526	Chicago
Chas. G. Wilson38	Senf 7, 1911	Clark	603	Martingville
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RECAPITULATION.

Membership Sept. 30, 1910 86	Left the Home	3
Received during year 14	Discharged	4
	Died	8
Total100	Membership Sept. 25, 1911	85

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS AND ENTERTAINMENT FUND

AMOUNTS RECEIVED

Oct. 1, 1910, To balance on hand\$	83.24
Nov. 29, 1910, H. Kahl, Chicago	5.00
Dec. 7, 1910, Cicero Chapter, R. A. M., Chicago	25.00
Dec. 12, 1910, Columbian Lodge No. 819, Chicago	00,00
Dec. 12, 1910, Delavan Lodge No. 156	5.00
Dec. 12, 1910, N. D. Morse Lodge No. 346	5.00
Dec. 13, 1910, Bloomfield Lodge No. 148, Chrisman	5.00
Dec. 13, 1910, Greenville Lodge No. 245	5.00
Dec. 16, 1910, Austin Lodge No. 850	25.00
Dec. 16, 1910, Pyramid Lodge No. 887, Hegewisch	5.00
Dec. 16, 1910, Edward Dobbins No. 164, Lawrenceville	3.00
Dec. 17, 1910, East St. Louis Lodge No. 504	25.00
Dec. 17, 1910, Ancient Craft Lodge No. 907, Chicago	10.00
Dec. 17, 1910, May Lodge No. 718, Norris City	I.00
Dec. 17, 1910, Mt. Carmel Lodge No. 239	3.00
Dec. 19, 1910, Wrights Grove No. 779, Chicago	5.00
Dec. 20, 1910, Clark Lodge No. 603, Martinsville	5.00
Dec. 20, 1910, West Salem Lodge No. 866	5.00
Dec. 20, 1910, Ridgeway Lodge No. 816	5.00
Dec. 21, 1910, Hermitage Lodge No. 356, Albion	2.00
Dec. 21, 1910, Matthews Gas Co., Chicago	5.00
Dec. 22, 1910, Oriental Lodge No. 33, Chicago	25.00
Dec. 23, 1910, Mason Lodge No. 217	5.00
Dec. 23, 1910, Odell Lodge No. 401	5.00
Dec. 24, 1910, Jeffersonville Lodge No. 461	2.50
Dec. 24, 1910, Welcome Lodge No. 916	15.00
Dec. 26, 1910, Maywood Lodge No. 869	25.00
Dec. 26, 1910, Accordia Lodge No. 227, Chicago	5.00
Dec. 26, 1910, Tancred Commandery No. 50, Belleville	10.00
Dec. 26, 1910, Gothic Lodge No. 852, East St. Louis	10.00
Dec. 29, 1910, Lincoln Park Chapter No. 177, Chicago	5.00
Jan. 9, 1911, Temple Lodge No. 46, Peoria	25.00
Jan. 16, 1911, Galena Commandery No. 40	5.00
Jan. 19, 1911, Peoria Commandery No. 3	14.60
March 13, 1911, Robt. Burns Lodge No. 113, Keithsburg	CO.01
July 26, 1911, Ramsey Lodge No. 405	5.00
Total \$	100.31

DISBURSEMENTS

Dec. 23, 1910, Rev. Chandler, Preaching Dec. 23, 1910, National Bank, One dollar bills given to member Dec. 23, 1910, Merchants Bank, Fifty cent pieces given to member Dec. 25, 1910, Rev. Casely, Preaching Dec. 25, 1910, Rev. Corey, Preaching Jan. 19, 1911, T. G. Hughes, Shoes for Christmas Jan. 19, 1911, Mike Finley, Candies for Christmas Jan. 19, 1911, E. E. Barber, Books for Christmas Jan. 19, 1911, C. F. Whitfield, Ties for Christmas Jan. 19, 1911, Sullivan D. G. Co., Handkerchiefs for Christman Jan. 19, 1911, J. R. McClure, Christmas tree Jan. 19, 1911, Smith & Ward, Stockings for Christmas Jan. 19, 1911, J. R. Pogue, Christmas Goods Jan. 19, 1911, Mike Finley, Christmas Candies June 11, 1911, Wehrmann Quartette Musical Concert	pers 100.00 mbers 50.00 5.00 5.00 1.00 30.75 4.10 9.90 mas 1.25 2.50 1.50 2.00 4.65				
Balance on hand September 18, 1911\$181.19					
	\$409.34				
Miscellaneous Account					
MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT					
AMOUNTS RECEIVED					
Oct. I, 1910, Balance on hand	\$ 31.83				
Nov. 1, 1910, Bacon grease sold					
Nov. 9, 1910, Sold hog					
Nov. 9, 1910, Board L. A. Hovey					
Dec. 7, 1910, Sold hogs					
Dec. 8, 1910, Sold cow	42.00				
Dec. 12, 1910, Board L. A. Hovey					
Jan. 7, 1911, Board L. A. Hovey					
Jan. 16, 1911, Received for repairs scales					
Jan. 16, 1911, Refund on freight charges					
Feb. 11, 1911, Board L. A. Hovey					
March 17, 1911, Board L. A. Hovey					
March 23, 1911, Sold calves					
April 7, 1911, Sold bacon grease					
April 14, 1911, Board L. A. Hovey					
April 15, 1911, Sold calf					
April 29, 1911, Sold rhubarb					
April 29, 1911, Sold bacon grease	3.00				

April 22, 1911, Board L. A. Hovey
Total \$320.18 July 12, 1911, Board L. A. Hovey 24.00 Aug. 4, 1911, Account error C. L. Hovey 5.15 Sept. 18, 1911, Sold bacon grease 1.00
\$350.33
Jan. 16, 1911, Bought one cow\$ 65.00
July 22, 1911, Bought one cow and calf 55.00
Balance on hand September 18, 1911
Total\$350.33 Check for balance accompanies this report. Mrs. Hovey and myself wish to thank you for your loyal support and

Mrs. Hovey and myself wish to thank you for your loyal support and the many kindnesses shown us during the year.

Yours fraternally,

CHAS. L. HOVEY, Superintendent.

Report of the Committee in Charge of the Sullivan Farm

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

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

On March 1, 1911, the farm was rented to James Bathe, of Sullivan, for one year, terms of the lease being—a share of the crops and clover hay and \$175.00 cash rent for pasture land. The lease covered about 190 acres in all.

The total rents for the year 1910 on 190 acres, were \$1,033,90, of which amount \$220.05 were sent to the Grand Secretary, September 26, 1910. and the balance, \$813.85, retained by the Committee for use on the land.

During the past two years the crops have been rotated, clover sown with the wheat and oats, the fertility of the ground greatly improved, and the plan will be fellowed from year to year in order to build up the soil. The farm was neglected for over twenty years, was run down and in bad shape, and, while the attention we have given it in the past two years has improved its condition and appearance, it will take several years to get it in proper shape for successful farming.

About ten acres of the farm are used by the Home for its grounds, orchard and truck farming, lying immediately around the building, and

sixty-four acres are used by the Home for pasture for stock—this 65 acre tract lies immediately across the road from the Home and a large portion of it is in timber and brush. After March 1, 1912, it is contemplated to throw 20 acres into the Home grounds and add the 64 acres to the farm.

The money expended on the farm has been used for the following purposes: All hedge fences on the north and east sides of the land, also cross hedges, have been pulled and burned; an ornamental wire fence built around the farm house; wire fence built around the garden, lots and farm yard; 100 rods of good wire fence built along the south side of the road directly across from the Home grounds; some old fences changed on inside fields; good wire gates installed at several convenient places; the farm house and barn repaired as much as these old buildings would justify; some tiling done; cement dam put in to stop washing on east side of farm; wells cleaned, and one old one (not in use for years) made good; about 25 acres of brush land cleared, and a whole lot of general cleaning up done. The work of getting the farm into shape and presentable has just commenced.

The balance in the hands of the Committee, one year ago, was \$617.52, the net amount from 1910 crops was \$813.85, making the total amount available for repairs \$1,431.37, of which amount we have paid out \$1,164.67, leaving a balance of \$266.70 which, added to the 1911 net rentals of \$275.82, makes a total balance in hand of \$542.52, to be accounted for in next annual report. An itemized statement, with vouchers, for all money paid out is attached to this report and made a part thereof.

We do not believe it advisable to rent the farm again, and recommend that it now be taken over by the Grand Lodge, suitably equipped with stock and implements, and we farm it ourselves. We believe better results will be had.

> HENRY BERKS, JAS. A. STEELE, W. A. DINON,

October 4, 1911.

Committee.

STATEMENT—RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES, SULLIVAN FARM

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand Oct. 1, 1910	\$ 617.52
Rents for 1910—	
Corn\$588.85	
Pasture 225.00	
Wheat and oats	\$1,033.90

\$1,651.42

DISBURSEMENTS

Remitted Grand Secretary, September 26, 1910\$	220.05	
Cleaning and grubbing brush land		
Repairs on farm well	1.67	
Repairs on farm scales	9.13	
	173.87	
Labor for repairs to farm buildings	31.95	
Shingles, lumber and material for repairs above	67.16	
Labor cleaning up land, and clover seed	65.00	
Tile ditching	6.40	•
Hauling tile	•	
Pulling and burning 269 rods of hedge, grubbing fence	5.25	
rows, and 450 posts	247.72	
(Paid Ford Brothers \$3,3,3.12, and James Bathe \$8.00)	341.12	
100 cedar posts	17.00	
Repairs to farm house and barn	81.25	
Posts, cement, sand, gravel and tile	v	
100 rods of wire fence, posts, gates and labor	81.00	¢0
Cement dam and labor	50.00	\$1,384.72
Balance		\$ 266.70
Donto for your		
Rents for 1911—		
Oats\$ 89.60		
Wheat 70.40		
Clover hay 180.00		
Straw 30.55	\$370.55	
Paid out account of 1911 crops—		
Clover seed		
Baling clover hay	.	Ø O -
Labor\$ 4.60	\$ 94.73	\$275.82
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Balance		\$542.52

A bank draft on First National Bank of Chicago for \$542.52 is attached, and vouchers, with receipts, accompanying this report.

HENRY W. BERKS,

October 4, 1911.

Chairman.

MOTION-To Visit Home.

Bro. Geo. M. Moulton offered the following resolution. It was adopted.

I move that officers and representatives in attendance at this Grand Lodge visit the Masonic Orphans' Home at LaGrange tomorrow afternoon and that transportation be provided by the Grand Lodge.

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.

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

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

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DUNDEE LODGE No. 190

Your committee therefore recommend that the action of the lodge be set aside, and that be restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

Your committee report that the foregoing is the only case coming before the Grand Lodge this year, which is something extraordinary. Heretofore at all meetings of this committee we have had from twelve to twenty cases sent to us on appeal for re-trial. We congratulate the Grand Lodge and M.W. Grand Master, Bro. A. B. Ashley, on the improved condition of the morals and conduct of the members of this Grand Jurisdiction, as shown by this report.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

Monroe C. Crawford, Joseph E. Dyas, G. R. Smith, H. H. Montgomery, H. A. Snell,

Committee.

RESOLUTION-By Alexander H. Bell.

Bro. Alexander H. Bell offered the following resolution, and it was adopted.

Resolved, That the M.W. Grand Master appoint a committee of five members to consider and report to this Grand Lodge at its next annual communication upon the following matters:

Is it desirable and wise that this Grand Lodge take steps to provide a permanent home for itself substantially as outlined by the Grand Master in his report to this Grand Lodge two years ago, and if so what would be the probable cost of such an enterprise, and in what manner should the funds for the same be provided? The committee so appointed shall consider and report upon all such questions as may in its opinion be of interest as affecting the general scope of the matters here mentioned.

He also offered the following and it was adopted.

Resolved. That the consideration of the amendment offered one year ago, providing for raising revenue for a permanent home for the Grand Lodge be deferred until the next session of the Grand Lodge.

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. and A. M .:

Your Committee on Lodges under Dispensation would respectfully report that there have been presented to it for consideration, the dispensations and returns of twenty-two lodges, which have been working under dispensations since the last annual communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, and as a result of their labors, present the following report:

GRANT PARK LODGE, U.D., Grant Park, Kankakee county, Illinois.

A dispensation for this lodge was issued December 2, 1909, by M.W. Bro. A. 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 received19
Number	elected18
Number	rejected I
Number	initiated18
Number	passed18
Number	raised18
Number	named in dispensation10
Number	named in dispensation not signing petition
for	charter o
Number	signing petition for charter28

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, Vernon Slocum Curtis, Ernest Burchard Griffin, Luther Calvin Streeter, John Anderson Kallgren, Frank Benjamin Carr, Fred Irving Sherwood, Byron Wilbur Brown, William Charles Unruh, Claude Harrison Dayton, William Benjamin Dayton, Edmund Laking, John Kammermann, Thomas Hiram Spray, Richard Harvey Hopkins.

The work of this lodge was submitted to your Committee for examination at the last session of the Grand Lodge, but the minutes showed that so many errors had crept into the record of the work, that they recommended that a charter be not granted, and that their dispensation be continued until the present session of the Grand Lodge, which was accordingly done. The Committee has again examined the record of work and find it correct; we therefore recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Grant Park Lodge No. 928.

ASHLAND LODGE, U.D., Ashland, Cass county, Illinois.

A dispensation for this lodge was issued July 21, 1910, by M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted August 4, 1910, by R.W. Bro. C. P. Ross, D.D.G.M. of the Thirty-first District.

The work of the lodge is as follows:

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Number	of petitions received18
Number	elected11
Number	rejected 4
Number	not acted on 3
Number	initiatedII
Number	passed 9
Number	raised 8

Number	named	in	dispe	nsati	on							21
Number	named	in	disp	ensat	ion	not	sig	ning	pe	etit	ion)
for	charter											I
Number	signing	pe	tition	for	cha	rter						.28

William F. Renz, A. C. Huston, W. D. Harding, F. C. Wallbaum, O. E. Robinson, J. E. Shivers, Silas Hexter, S. A. Shortt, J. J. Elmore, J. M. Smith, Edward Goff, John Adkins, Jr., Walter Adkins, W. S. Rearick, R. L. Anderson, L. A. Clowers, Trave Elmore, J. H. Hubbs, J. A. Glenn, D. Lyons, W. S. Williams, H. J. Lohman, David S. Hexter, George J. Wiltlinger, Fred Hexter, James G. Norris, Luther E. Lathom, Harry H. Harding.

The record of this lodge in the main is correct; one error, however, has crept into the record; we find that on March 2, 1911, a petition for the degrees was received, and that on April 20, 1911, the candidate was given the E.A. degree, but the minutes do not show that the candidate was ever elected; your Committee recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Ashland Lodge No. 929.

JOSEPH ROBBINS LODGE, U.D., Peoria, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge October 18, 1910, by M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted October 27, 1910, by R.W. Bro. John C. Weis, D.D.G.M., of the Twentieth District.

The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received41
Number elected23
Number rejected12
Number not acted on 6
Number initiated24
Number passed24
Number raised
Number named in dispensation33
Number signing petition for charter55

Whose names are as follows:

George Walter McAvoy, Thomas Newsam, John Thomas Rosbottom, Charles Oliver Jones, Cyrus Chamberlain Shook, Frank Rosbottom, Lloyd Hamilton Parsons, George Clinton Moehlenpah, John Newsam, Sr., Theodore Hetzel, William Richard McClintick, Wilbert Sherman Powers, George Washington Potter, George Waller, James Calvin Barr, William Major, William Otto Knuth, Frank Nelson, Adolph Jacob Ruch, Robert Lewis Wilson, Abraham Benjamin, William Henry Hunt, George Edwin Draper, Joseph Frank Reinhart, Charles Edward Johnson, Henry Frees, Gus Hall, Theopulus Walter, Warner Pye, John Edward Brant, John Newsam, Jr., Dekalb Brown, Albert J. Flessner, Louis Mohler, William I. Drury, Hubert Stringham, Charles Martin Mayer, Emil Weiss, Walter Eberhart Godel, George Rudolph Cupp, Edwin Martin Scoones, Cedric Cook Howland, William Henry Gilmore, Robert George Elliott, Chas. Clarence Kaufman, Herman Frank Weiss, Frederick Chas. Ehredt, John W. Phillips, George Folkers, Daniel George Harms, George Sauer, Robert Christ Lindig, Luther Scott Case, Fred Schuele, Oscar William Olson.

While there were some errors in the record of work of this lodge, they were not so glaring as to warrant the with-holding of a charter, we therefore, recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Joseph Robbins Lodge No. 930.

WILLMETTE LODGE, U.D., Willmette, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge October 18, 1910, by M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted October 28, 1910, by D.D.G.M. Harry W. Harvey, of the Second District.

The work of the lodge is as follows:

Whose names are as follows:

George W. Hess, William D. Matthew, A. J. Taylor, Almyr K. Shurtleff, Charles C. Schultz, Fred E. McCready, Luman R. Slawson, G. Howard Canniff, George C. Hulst, Hugo T. Zaremba, Joseph C. Wilson, C. E. Renneckar, F. L. Tolman, Geo. W. Springer, Herbert G. Graves, Robert G. Saxer, Thomas M. Brooks, Harry J. Wolf, E. W. McCullough, Wilford C. Shurtleff, Charles S. Dingee, Wm. N. Cornell, Albert N. Page, F. A. Simmons, Albert W. Wigglesworth, W. J. Willoughby, Joseph H. Long,

Samuel S. Dingee, George W. Kibby, Judson F. Stone, James J. Bruton, B. Frank Brown, Arthur L. Rice, P. A. Myers, S. S. Greiner, Otto Rabe, L. A. Bower, C. D. Worthington, Stacy W. Osgood, Jacob B. Olwin, John N. Crampton, Charles C. Carnahan, William O. Belt, Asa McOmber, Charles H. Smith, Frederick D. Day, Frank H. Drury, George C. Murdock, Frank L. Koontz, Calvin S. Coxe, Lyman M. Drake, William B. Paulson, Morton L. Patterson, J. B. Greiner, F. N. Requa, William H. Schmidt, Gustav A. Damier, H. W. Ellis, Robert Rae, J. Edwin Maass, Harry W. Hopp, F. G. White, Frank N. Williams, S. G. Skinner, John F. Grubb, Fayette W. Reed, Edward P. Fatch, Joseph B. Marshall, John G. Munro, Herbert C. West, William B. Davies, Albert G. Frost, George W. Mason, Charles N. Reese, Allen H. Carpenter, Donald M. Gallie, Charles B. Morrell, D. H. Nicholes, O. W. Bartlett, Frank J. Scheidenhelm, Harold Danforth Skelton, Charles Schlosser, Elliott C. Jones. Richard John Burrows, John Fowler Watt, Russell A. Calkins, Jesse C. Akely, George A. VanDyke, John Christian Mannerud, Elisha Warner Case, Frank Russ Eager, Earl Ellsworth Orner, Edward John Hoffman, Clement C. Mitchell, Frederick A. Waidner, Jr., Frank H. Tichenor, Albert Paul Snite, Robb Hammond, Frank Edward Robinson, George R. Harbaugh, William Garfield Barackman, D. Everett Allen, Jr., John B. Gaper, George S. Fox, David G. Park, George Everette Fernald, Charles LaFayette Hosken, John DuBois Couffer, Charles McCue, Henry Splaine Atkins, Charles J. Kindel, Milton E. Barker, Jr., Harry Fleming Vail, Edward O. Williams, Earl Eugene Bates, Edward Louis Schneidenhelm, James Glendenning Wray, Olin Clark Eastman, William Harvey Wyckoff, George Elliott Redfield, Jr. Orville D. Jones, Charles David Heller, Henry John Kunzer, Charles Edward Burgess, Irwin R. Adkins, Walter J. Thrumston, Frank Clifton Nason, Charles Henry Brethold, Thomas C. Thompson, David F. Anderson, John H. R. Jamar, Charles Alfred Thorsen, Alonzo J. Coburn. James Nye Macalister, Orville Knox Patterson, Jay C. Lytle, John Dean Clark, Jesse Kelso Farley, Jr., George H. Moore. Lester George Wood. Harvey John Cederberg, Raymond Henry Garman.

The minutes of this lodge have been well and correctly kept and shows that the work done by the lodge is of a high order. We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge, as Wilmette Lodge No. 931.

SANDOVAL LODGE, U.D., Sandoval, Marion county. Illinois.

A dispensation was granted for this lodge October 18, 1010, by M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted November 21, 1910, by R.W. Bro. R. N. Hambleton, D.D.G.M., of the Fortysecond District.

The work of the lodge is as follows:
Number of petitions received20
Number elected19
Number rejected I
Number initiated19
Number passed18
Number raised16
Number named in dispensation25
Number named in dispensation not signing petition
for charter 4
Number signing petition for charter

John Wesley Johnson, John Lewis Robertson, Lewis Cass Ruby, Frederick Franz Reinhardt, Edwin Clarence Toothaker, Charles Agustus Seen, John S. Watkins, Benjamine Franklin Holmes, John Gibson, Henry Russell Hall, John Michael Waters, Franz Joseph Seidel, James Milton Parker, Charles R. Allison, Howard C. Luallen, Hobert Conway Ruddick, C. D. Simmons, Samuel H. Wilcox, George Washington Downey, George A. Smith, Charles Francis Patterson, Henry Francis Kennedy, Gilbert Goss Sawtelle, William Fisher Wilson, Charles Wolf Hall, Clarence Andereck, George Harris Stiles, Edward Johnson Rankin, Lawrent Geo. Radkus, Dan Middleton, Robert Lewis Thomas, Eli Watkins, Morris Roy McCall, Joel Elzie Brown, Lorenzo Leslie Cotter, Elias Weart Gray.

The record shows that on August 2, 1911, a candidate was passed to the degree of F.C. without having been examined as to his proficiency. We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge, as Sandoval Lodge No. 932.

Manlius Lodge, U.D., Manlius, Bureau county, Illinois.

A dispensation for this lodge was granted November 28, 1910, by M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted December 14, 1910, by R.W. Bro. F. H. Bradley, D.D.G.M., of the Fifteenth District.

Samuel E. Williams, J. Lester Martin, Thomas H. Dale, Adelbert L. Martin, Frank W. Kirk, Elmer L. Mullen, Christ Peterson, Charles Markee, Winfield S. Reeser, John Henry Huseman, Peter Edlefson, Charles Barber, William G. Johnson, Henry Thackaberry, Olof T. Hansen, Charles A. Strathman, Charles A. Andrews, Andrew Rudiger, William Hartz, Benjamin Rieley, Samuel E. Wheelock, Burt B. Miller, Burt L. Brown, Claude D. Melvin, Chresten Larsen, Almer M. Thompson, George G. Andrews, William S. Rudiger, Malcolm P. Johnson, Ralph M. Allen.

The record of this lodge indicates that the work was regularly done, but they have neglected to enter their by-laws on the record, having entered them on a separate book; we recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge, as Maulius Lodge No. 933.

HINSDALE LODGE, U.D., Hindale, DuPage county, Illinois.

A dispensation was granted for this lodge, December 2, 1910, by M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted, January 5, 1911, by R.W. Bro. John H. Griffiths, D.D.G.M., of the Twelfth District.

The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number	of petitions received 2.	4
Number	elected 2	I
Number	rejected	2
Number	not acted on	I
Number	initiated 1	7
Number	passed 10	9
Number	raised 10	9
Number	named in dispensation 8.	4
Number	named in dispensation not signing petition	
for	charter	2
Number	signing petition for charter	I

Whose names are as follows:

Harry Crater Knisely, William Louis Wilson, Horace Willis Cowles. Jr., George Frederick Lewis, George Ely Smith, Judson D. Hiatt Erle Homer Merriman, John Carlyle Puetz, Scott Jonathan Dow, Edward E. Shaw, George R. McLeran, Edward Phelps Welles, John Clarence Wood, Lewis K. Hildebrand, John Bull Hench, Bruce Edward Richie, Joseph Noble Redfern, Fayette Shepard Cable, William Hugh Knight, William Brewster Hinckley, Howard G. Hetzler, Arthur Bigelow Freeman, Robert A. Childs, Horace Hale Holcomb, Charles G. Root, Jesse B. Barton, Horace Willis Cowles, Sr., Webster Jay Lewis, Franklin Waldo Godwin,

Carlos Haviland Thayer, Walter Davidson, William Swift Woodworth, George Beaton, Robert Mackie Clubb, Charles A. Allen, Robert Boyd, Frederick H. McElhone, Jerome J. Danforth, Hiram Frederick Godwin, Frank VanInwagen, George Albert Petrie, Frank A. Ford, William R. Ruchty, Harry Lyman Ruggles, Houston Isbell Hiatt, Albert Martin, Kent Coffeen Childs, George Massey Lee, William Duncan, Floyd Rhodes Myers, Jay Lyman Hench, Frederick Nelson Pease, John Henry Boys, William Bradford Humphrey, Charles G. Neumiller, Frederick J. Prior. William Bruce Brown, John George Bohlander, Lorin A. Rawson, Edward Hoar, Frank B. Webster, John A. Ford, George E. Ruchty, Allan J. Goodhue, Robert H. Berry, Fred Clark, Charles Pfeifer, Otis Cushing, Theron H. Linsley, Alexander Sanders Johnston, William Johnston, Christian H. Stoelting, John Wadington, Edward P. Ames, Warham E. Janes, Richard W. G. Root, Sylvester P. Blount, Jesse B. Barton, Jr., William Evernden, Charles Clyde Quincy, Ellis R. Hurd, John Marshall, Jr., Horace Bebb Hench, William DeMelt Alcott, Curtis DuVan Bird, William Franklin Richie, Frederick Gray Allen, Alfred Jasper Saxe, Albert Henry Rancke, Benjamin St. John Garvey, John Henderson Birdsong, Harry Arnott Malcolms, Elsworth Keith, Brooke Furniston Dennison, Edgar Bassett Washburn, Wade Fetzer, Charles Gustavus Dennison, Norman Kingsley Olmsted, James Carey Davis, Robert Franklin Godwin, William Stewart Johnston.

The record shows that only seventeen were initiated, while nineteen were passed and raised. We will say for your information that two of the candidates had been initiated in another lodge, and had been admitted to this lodge by waiver of jurisdiction. [In this connection the point of law was raised and sustained by the Grand Master that a lodge U.D. has not the legal right to ask for, receive or grant a waiver of jurisdiction.] The record shows no errors, and that the work done was of a high order; we recommend a charter be granted to this lodge, as Hinsdale Lodge No. 934.

LA Moine Lodge, U.D., Brooklyn, Schuyler county, Illinois.

A dispensation for this lodge was issued December 19, 1910, by M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted, February 13, 1911, by R.W. Bro. E. M. Crane, D.D.G.M., of the Twenty-fourth District.

Number raised 5
Number named in dispensation20
Number named in dispensation not signing petition
for charter I
Number signing petition for charter24

Julian E. Camp, Major S. Crone, William T. Lewis, Oren M. Hite, Thomas D. Lewis, Edwin S. Chipman, William F. Irvin, George M. Bellomy, Alpheus Weaver, Samuel B. Johnson, Henry D. Lewis, Harold M. Camp, George Gray, William Wells, Jonas King, William P. White, Albert Hency, Glandon A. Lantz, John K. Vance, Robert H. Blackburn, Ronald P. Hite, Arthur Stambaugh, Charles P. White, Thomas A. Lantz.

While the work of this lodge shows several errors, none of them are so glaring as to recommend not granting of a charter; we, therefore recommend that this lodge be granted a charter as La Moine Lodge No. 935.

ROCK FALLS LODGE, U.D., Rock Falls, Whiteside county, Illinois.

A dispensation was granted to this lodge, January 6, 1911, by M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted, January 10, 1911, by R.W. Bro. W. C. Stilson, D.D.G.M., of the Thirteenth District.

The work of this lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received23
Number elected19
Number rejected 3
Number not acted on 1
Number initiated19
Number passed14
Number raised12
Number named in dispensation 33
Number signing petition for charter45

Whose names are as follows:

Fred H Geyer, Leroy P. McMillen, Espy Otto Phares, Clyde C. Kadel, John G. Limerick, Emery L. Bond, O. M. Aarvig, Tracy J. Wylie, E. U. Taylor, Leroy Edwin Shonts, Sophus Richard, Geo. F. Eckert, E. W. Murray, C. M. Frye, G. H. Jennings, John McCavitt, J. F. Shaw, A. A. Kelly, Charles Allen, Charles E. Dempsey, Joseph Olsson, James F. Wetzell, Chas. D. Cleveland, Alfred C. Stanley, C. L. Williams, Earl Leslie Longfellow, J. R. Casey, N. L. McKenzie, T. E. Irwin,

Tracy Smith, D. H. Ruth, Jedd Landwair, M. T. Mouck, William Hay Holden, L. W. Parks, Wm. J. Sowles, John A. Kadel, Chas. G. E. Pippert, E. L. Adams, Michael J. McAllister, Grant S. Landis, R. A. Jennings, John Miller, Geo. F. Sheldon, L. L. Emmons, Jr.

We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge, as Rock Falls Lodge No. 936.

NORTH SHORE LODGE, U.D., Chicago, Illinois.

A dispensation for this lodge was issued January 9, 1911, by M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted, January 24, 1911, by R.W. Bro. D. D. King, D.D.G.M., of the Fifth District.

The work of this lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received 123
Number electedII2
Number rejected I
Number not acted on 10
Number initiated108
Number passed 80
Number raised 73
Number named in dispensation155
Number named in dispensation not signing petition
for charter 6
Number signing petition for charter222

Whose names are as follows:

Timothy Mason Avery, James Fitch Chenev Coombs, Clinton Edgar Cooper, William Rusche, Emil John Merki, William Monroe Copeland, Elof Peterson, John Joseph Diehl, Morton Ayres Bassett, Frederick Harry Nelson, John Chas. Henry Rheinwald, Scott Marlett, Lester Joseph Heath, Morris Edward Wolfe, Walter Ralph Simkin, Thomas Hugh McKnight, Jay Arthur Rossiter, Frederick Armistead Beer, Otto Carl Koester, Francis John Turnbull, Edward Richard Nelson, Edward Kyle Wallace, William John Newberry, Abel Leighton Allen, William John Brown, Louis F. Winkenwerder, John Dan Corlett, Hugo John Dietrick Fick. Heber Milton Goodsmith, William Henry Westerlund, Clarence Ferd Lundgren, Fred Giles North, Charles Francis Thomas, William Charles Louis Stoebig, Albert Axel Carlson, William Robert Howe, George William Lincoln, Robert William Kunz, Julius Herman Kurth, Alfred Samuel Watson, Alfred Carl Borden, Walter Emil Tess, Edgar Ransom King, Walter H. Riddell, Lars Edward Young, George Edward Coleman, Jr., Adolph Werner, John Boland Whittier, Emil Julius Pache, Louis Zouis Zindt, Walter Scott Cadwell, Paul John Alwart, Charles Frederick Dutcher, Daniel Huguenin, George Edward Spengler, George Frederick Friese, Samuel Johnson McNeill, Arthur Edmund Brown, Cloyd Cleveland Dickinson, Charles Luther Shaffer, Frank Chatfield Farmer, Woodruff John Parker, Swan Swanson Bjorklund, Adyn Elwyn Schuyler, Clyde C. Backus, John Patton Davis, Warren Raymond Carman, Spence Saxilby Chapman, George Dorn, William Henry Dean, John Newton Stromberg, William Phillip Stroh, William Franklin Bahe, Elihu Noble Elliott, Edgar Brown Halliday, John Jansson, Henry Edmund Wilcox, Waldemar Joseph Reinke, Louis Fred Haller, Henry Frederick Bartling, Julius Ziegler, George Alfred Meyer, Leopold Jonathan Zindt, William Edward Bentley, William Perley Goodsmith, Sylvester Piper Beers, Edward Ten Eyck Chandler, Peter Henry Schlueter, Fred Eugene Hicks, Parker Austin Jenks, Ben Alexius Edward Turell, Arthur Bernard Rosencrans, William Adolph Lewis Schaefer, Harry Lee White, Edward August Lang, George Curtis Bird, Otto Frederick Closius, Louis Amandas Mueller, Smith Pykett, George Henry Schafer, Ludwig August Seidel, Fred Albert Haller, William James Minter, Elmer Scott Franklin, William Bader, Peter Chas. Schenkelberger, Charles August Anderson, Claus Emil Ross, Charles William Hess, Jr., Harry Alfred Cudding, Harry Lathrop Whittelsley, Frederick Christian Christy, Charles Frederick Wiedemann, Herman George Diehl, Harold Grosvenor Sperling, Charles Wells Rothe, Paul Wainwright Cooper, William Leonard Klewer, Eugene Schiffln, William Charles Jacob, Jules Matthias Zindt, Frank Edson Dean, Chas. Gerhart William Heerrsen, Timothy Alvin Cressey, Frank Chiel Johnston, Joseph P. Blum, John Fenimore Jones, William Marsh Glascock, Donald Hay Wyre, William George Marr, Walter Felix Seidel, Joseph Weil, William Orville Forker, Frederick Jung, Joseph Benjamin Cloher, Jr., Francis Snively Lewis, William Wallace Bradfield, Nels Berguist, Charles Edward Rosen, Gustav Theodore Larson, Herbert Elyah Hyde, Arthur Henry Geiger, Lew Elmore Holland, Richard Vance Storer, Willard F. Wurzburg, Frederick David Ansley, Avery Brundage, John Earl Hatt, James Robert Mc-Clure, Chester Louis Swisher, Ernest Louis Schmidt, Henry Tietjens, William Glenn Shields, Charles Clarence Peffly, Charles Grover Palmer, William Henry Mattheis, Roy Augustus Lane, Charles Abram Jones, Rheinhold William Tess, Bert W. Donjahn, Herbert Jewett Ferguson. Walter Albert Preston, Francis C. Smith, Roderick William Classen, Jr., Marshall Barr Nelson, Charles Louis Heinemann, Claude William Morris, Clarence Seymour Boggs, Edward Louis Kunze, Carl S. Salzman, Paul Brandt Ramsom, John Frederick Kunze, Adolph Theodor Lilliebach, Loue Butow, Clarence O. Ludlow, Frank William Funnell, Samuel M. Schall, Edward Payson Gilhuly, William E. Bertram, Sven Johnson, George Henry Kaufman, Charles Paul Hanning, Schuyler Harvey, Robert J. Blum, Henry C. Pegram, John Russell Draper, John Bernard Gairing, William Litterer, Herbert Fred'k William Schmidt, John Henry Smith, Sibert Carl Michaelis, William Henry Holke, Jodgen Peter Rising, William Henry Sampson, Alfred Bloomquist, Otho S. Edwards, Henry A. Frost, Dietrick Henry Pottker, Jacob David Deiss, Gerbert Paul Hindt, Robert Roy Schurig, Harold Daniel Huszagh, Edward James Johnson, Louis Varl Rosenthal, Perry Kellar Mundt, George E. Brown, David Hickman Stealey, Henry H. Bornhoeft, Guy Raymond Buck, Anton Erick Fors, William Robert Hibbs, Chester Arthur Griffith, Arthur B. Droeger, Adolph George Gros, Sr., Frank Oscar Weidenmiller, Charles Walter Robertson, Arthur J. Cowan, Eugene Jerome Seeley, James Arthur Dale, Conrad John Kalbfell, Charles H. McIntyre-John J. Rubien.

The by-laws of this lodge provide that \$40 shall be the fee for the E.A. degree, and shall accompany the petition, but the record shows that only \$15 accompanied the petition, and that the remainder of the fee, \$25, is collected when the candidate is initiated, which is a violation of their own by-laws. In view of the fact that the lodge has violated its own by-laws and not the Grand Lodge by-laws, we recommend that the charter of this lodge be granted, as North Shore Lodge No. 937, and placed in the hands of the Grand Master, to be delivered when such errors can be corrected.

CIRCLE LODGE, U.D., Oak Park, Cook county, Illinois.

A dispensation was granted for this lodge on February 14, 1911, by M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted February 16, 1911, 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 received54
Number elected41
Number rejectedII
Number not acted on 2
Number initiated38
Number passed
Number raised
Number named in dispensation33
Number named in dispensation, not signing petition
for charter 4
Number signing petition for charter

Whose names are as follows:

Louis Kroc, Benjamin C. Grout, Duncan L. Boden, Arthur D. Rehm, J. Horace Jefferson, Gaston B. Hallett, Fred William Licht, Julius Paul

Schulte, Jerry Frank Jirsa, William Charles Kreino, William Perry Robbins, John Samuel Link, George Tough, Alfred Edgecombe, Charles von Hof, Harry Elmer Leasure, Ernest Potthoff, Albert Waldmere Keller, Joseph Deppen, James Andrew Simmons, James M. Thomas, Otto Christian Haeger, William George Tresch, Henry J. Smith, Adolph Evers, William Louis Haeger, John James Kelly, William Charles Meincke, Alfred E. Larsen, John Benjamin Miller, William Charles Hanks, William John Schroeder, Lewis Franklin Grafius, Henry A. Hollnagel, William Thomas Pye, John Gawne, Charles Raymond Shabino, George Krieg, Leonard Franklin Rehm, C. Otto Seifert, Charles William Lobstein, Carl William Lee, Elmer Ellsworth Koch, David Dick Cooper, George Wright, John Grant Spalding, William Charles Schmidt, George Frederick Kautz, Alexander Forbes, Alexander Reaich, Hugo Richard Siegler, Edwin Pugh, William Herman Asmus, Harry Michel, Alexander Andrew Shannon, James R. Hay, Philip Meininger, William W. Raleigh, Joseph Bert Tinker, Asua G. Bollenbaugh, William G. Klebe, H. Benton Honens, Gabriel A. Menendez, William Kirschbaum.

The minutes of this lodge show neatness and care on the part of the secretary, and no errors have crept into the record of work, excepting that the lodge has undertaken to define the lines of jurisdiction with the lodges in proximity on either side; we therefore recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Circle Lodge No. 938.

TABLE GROVE LODGE, U.D., Table Grove, Fulton county, Illinois.

A dispensation for this lodge was granted February 18, 1911, by M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted March 8, 1911, by R.W. Bro. G. D. Bell, D.D.G.M., of the Twenty-third District.

The work of this lodge is as follows:

Number	of petitions received
	elected16
Number	not acted on I
Number	initiated16
Number	passed14
	raised14
Number	named in dispensation24
Number	signing petition for charter38

Whose names are as follows:

Nicholas Notson, William Taylor Foster, Dwight Branson Carithers, Emanuel Hoke, Charles Cox, Ross Hoke, Harry Enos Tarter, Newton Heller, Henry Ferguson Merritt, W. A. McKee, Daniel Edward Barker, Eliga Clifton Walters, Eliga Justis Walters, Grover Cleveland Black, Edward Waters, James Davis Parks, William H. Lovell, John Hughes, Charles Roy Duncan, Willmer W. Clemens, James Ross Zoll, C. T. Defenbaugh, H. L. Dyer, Charles Ripley Morgan, William Douglas Perry, Charles Henry Haist, Ira S. Toler Wetzel, Carl L. Warner, Arthur Bartholomew, Charles Edward Gustine, Frederick S. Nichols, Perry Franklin Jones, Franklin Lewis Barker, Ira Joseph Barker, George Vawter, James Elmer Hammond, Edwin Jay Seaburn, James Thurman Lovell.

The records of Table Grove Lodge show their work has been well done; we recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Table Grove Lodge No. 939.

Pearl Lodge, U.D., Pearl, Pike county, Illinois.

A dispensation was granted for this lodge May 19, 1911, by M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted May 31, 1911, by R.W. Bro. W. W. Watson, D.D.G.M., of the Thirty-second District.

The record of work is as follows:

Number of petitions received 5
Number elected 5
Number rejected o
Number not acted on o
Number initiated 4
Number passed 1
Number raised
Number named in dispensaiton20
Number signing petition for charter21

Whose names are as follows:

Arthur P. Thurmon, E. H. Chandler, W. Roy Donohoo, Elisha Hayden, Francis Marion Thurmon, George M. Donohoo, Frank C. Rieman, John Wildt, Charles Marcellus Foiles, Isaac S. Moultrie, William H. Meisenbach, William H. Garrison, William H. Brady, Albert N. Rogers, Joshua Draper, William Ottwell, Roscoe Akers, Charles Edward Thurmon, Harry Duff, Harry Lee Weatherford, Homer Floyd Stathem.

The record of work shows that a code of by-laws was adopted and was not made a part of the record. The minutes show lack of neatness on the part of the secretary; we recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Pearl Lodge No. 940.

•Elmhurst Lodge, U.D., Elmhurst, Illinois.

A dispensation for this lodge was granted April 29, 1911, by M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted June 2, 1911, by R.W. Bro. John H. Griffiths, D.D.G.M., of the Twelfth District.

The work	c of th	ie lodge	is as	follows:
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Number of petitions received23
Number elected16
Number rejected 6
Number not acted on I
Number initiated16
Number passed
Number raised 9
Number named in dispensation53
Number signing petition for charter62

John Layland Greaves, William John Hilliard, Frank Warren Sandiland, William Ball Pearn, Anton Edmund Nelson, Dick S. Ford, Henry Fred Hobein, Walter Lawrence Block, Julius Martin Schoen, Frederick Christian Haas, Francis Berniere Laramie, Frederick Charles Hense, George Aaron Wadsworth, Frederick William Maximillian Hammerschmidt, John Jackson Wilkinson, Charles Frank Hess, Arthur Volaire Fraser, George Herbert Dean, Robert Stacy Bouland, Herbert Henry Putnam, Niels Peterson, Harry Harold Hicks, John Cowling Kent, James Kent, William Henry Mardaga, Louis Nicholas La Croix, Frederick Herman Kaltenbach, Gustav Henry Diedrich Franzen, William Sterling Weller, Frederick Henry Goltermann, Levi Pierce, Julius Jakob Braun, George Robert Chapman, George Fred Albert Bauersfeld, Frank McNellis, Frederick Celestin Harbour, George Lucder, Thomas Gaston Morford, Lloyd Chester Mason, Arthur Hamblin Wheeler, John Lewis Pentecost, Edward Henry Yunkers, Frederick Herbert Bates, Albert Bayer, Lelan Otis Green, Richard Vaux Megary, George Watson, Paul Dornan Phillips, Frank Aurthe Green, Robert Emil Gottschalk, Henri Ricker Davis, Peter William Butts, Henry Carl Schumacher, Dudley Harris Richardson, Alonzo Gustavus Fischer, Fred Henry Sievert, Paul Herman Rieger, Henry Banderob, George Reimer Struckmann, James Russell Bunyan, William Carl Boldt, Orson William Green.

The record of this lodge is very clear, and is a marvel of neatness, and it is to be regretted that they do not state in full the occupation of the petitioner, and that the lodge failed to comply with its own by-laws, which requires that the fee for the E.A. degree shall be \$25, ten dollars accompanying the petition and \$15 when the candidate is initiated.

In view of the fact that the lodge has violated its own by-laws and not the Grand Lodge by-laws, we recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Elmhurst Lodge No. 941, the same to be placed in the hands of the Grand Master to be delivered to them when the above errors can be corrected.

Maple Park Lodge, U.D., Maple Park, Illinois.

A dispensation for this lodge was issued June 5, 1911, by M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley. The lodge was instituted June 14, 1911, by R.W. Bro. John H. Griffiths, D.D.G.M. of the Twelfth District.

The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number	of petitions received	6
Number	elected	6
Number	rejected	О
Number	not acted on	О
Number	initiated	6
Number	passed	4
Number	raised	2
Number	named in dispensation2	ľ
Number	signing petition for charter2	:3

Whose names are as follows:

Willard E. Fillmore, S. F. Downing, Albert Thiel, Harrison G. Gerlach, William Halwick, Aie A. Marvin, Cullen Keefe, Milton J. Beverly, William F. Albin, Edmund L. Thatcher, Edward E. Becker, Otto E. Reinhart, Franklin J. Truby, A. J. Higgins, R. T. Emberson, Henry Pigney, H. W. Fitzsimmons, Clarence Porter Witter, William Vaughan, John B. Brown, G. J. Gerity, James Easterbrook, Alvin Easterbrook.

The record shows that nothing but the name of the petitioner is given, which is in violation of Part 2, Article 13, Section 1 of the Grand Lodge By-laws. The record also shows that candidates are not prepared or introduced. We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Maple Park Lodge No. 942 and placed in the hands of the Grand Master to be delivered to them when he is satisfied that the lodge is doing work not in violation of the Grand Lodge By-laws.

BOHEMIA LODGE, U.D., Chicago, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge June 9, 1911, by M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, Granad Master. The lodge was instituted June 23, 1911, by Bro. Amos Pettibone.

The record of work is as follows:

Number	of petitions received 23
Number	elected16
Number	rejected 3
	not acted on 4
	initiated10
Number	passed 8
Number	raised 8

Number	named	in di	spensa	tion,	not	sig	gnii	1g	p	et	iti	io	n	
for ch	arter .											٠.		3
Number	named	in disp	pensati	on									10) [
Number	signing	petitic	n for	char	ter								10	06

Frank Edmund Novak, Charles Borromeo Pavlicek, Charles Joseph Novak, Louis Edward Jelinek, Joseph Frank Polak, Charles Novak, James M. Kralovec, Edward Frank Konnovsky, William Kolace, Otto Polanek, Frank Joseph Novak, James Francis Slapak, John Pecha, Frank Pecival, James Martin Triner, Hugo Victor Pribyl, Edward John Welky, Anton Vincent Dlouhy, John William Vokoun, John Anthony Sokol, Joseph Benjamin Novak, Joseph Martin Dvorak, Edward Stuchlik, John Henry Novak, Edward Frank Wondreyka, Quido Edward Pribyl, Prokop Julius Smidl, Anton Vanek, Joseph Anton Smejkal, Ignatius Albert Schimek, Theodore J. Pelikan, Adolf Mach, Karel Vaclav Janovsky, John Klecker, Rudolph J. Schlessinger, Fred James Base, Frank Vavroch, Edward Henry Mach, Frank John Cekal, Vaclav John Topinka, Anton John Tysl, Joseph Pecival, Frank Joseph Liska, Philip John Soukup, William A. Stuchlik, Frank Joseph Vranek, John J. Ziska, James Vasumpaur, Joseph R. Vleck, John Kryl, Harry John Chocol, John Klucina, Adolph Erst, Prokop Karlovsky, Emil Frank Chocol, John Klaus, Vincent Jacob Klaus, Joseph Smaha, Alexander Sylvester Kratky, Frank Sinkler, Joseph Anthony Holpuch, Joseph John Horsky, Anthony Frank Rusy, Karel Victor Mikulas, Vaclav James Smidl, John Stuchlik, Vaclav Vanek, Louis Narowetz, Louis Joseph Pelikan, Joseph Charles Holek, Edward Joseph Smejkal, Louis Frank Jirka, James John Kapsa, Louis George Vlcek, Otto James Pelikan, Frank Charles Mencl, Richard Dusil, George M. Ters, Gustav Felise Jedlicka, Frank Roman Schrachta, Matt Joseph Jedlicka, Joseph Ruzicka, Frank John Dubsky, John Joseph Dubsky, Joseph Sylvester Pytlik, Jerry Henry Cerny, Frank Joseph Cerny, Frank Zima, Frank Svoboda, Anthony Joseph Hoblik, Vaclav Lisy, Frank Louis Karel, Chas. Hainz, Dominick Friedl, Robert Frank Vrana, Joseph Otto Kostner, Hugo Lewis Pitte, August Reigel, Wm. J. Kolacek, Otto Sindelar, Charles Schrachta, Frank Poshepny, Edward Pecival, Anton Stepanek, Stephen Erst, Joseph Baumruk, Jr.

The minutes show that petitioner's full names, in some instances, were not given, which is in violation of Part 2, Article 13, Section 1 of the Grand Lodge By-laws. We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Bohemia Lodge No. 943.

JOHN CORSON SMITH LODGE, U.D., Chicago, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge June 13, 1911, by M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted by R.W. Bro. E. W. Peterson, D.D.G.M., of the Seventh District.

The work of this lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received46
Number elected
Number rejected12
Number not acted on
Number initiated24
Number passed19
Number raised14
Number of names in dispensation33
Number petitioning for charter47

Whose names are as follows:

Louis Steinberg, George King Reeder, Samuel Salasia Schwartz, Harris Joshua Pearlman, Joseph Daniel Roderick, Solomon Phillip Roderick, Zoltan Bower, Louis Bernard Hoffing, Charles Louis Cohns, Philip Ogden Hantover, Morris Biel, Aaron Carlstein, Gustav August Hartman, Morris Bejach, Gustave Fischer, Samuel Abraham Fischer, Jacob Handelsman, Abraham Bernard Gurney, Jacob Gadalia Grossberg, Benjmin Edward Cohen, William Gordon, Julius Henry Gordon, Benjamin Steinberg, Harry Lindon, Frank Paul Pearlman, Max Blum, S. Harry Grinker, John Dubowich, Herman Charles Lewis, Albert I. Leight, Morris Abrams, Bernard Breakstone, Frank Samuel Miller, Albert H. Weiss, Peter Halushka, Joseph Schwartz, Maurice Wolff, Albert Stern, Michael Gesas, Jacob Perboliner, Jacob Wolff Shafton, Leo Shafton, Samuel Sol Lebovitz, Abe Harold Wald, Jacob Bernstein, William Milton Ross, David William Marks.

The work of this lodge has been done in a very creditable and satisfactory manner. We therefore recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as John Corson Smith Lodge No. 944.

Buffalo Lodge, U.D., Buffalo, Sangamon county. Illinois.

A dispensation was issued to this lodge June 16, 1911, by M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted June 19, 1911, by R.W. Bro. Sidney S. Breese, D.D.G.M., of the Nineteenth District.

The work of this lodge is as follows:

Number	of petitions received	9
	elected	
Number	rejected	1
Number	not acted on	2

Number	initiated					(5
Number	passed						ļ
Number	raised						1
Number	named in	disper	nsation			20)
Number	named in	ı disp	ensatic	n no	signii	ng petition	
for cha	arter						ĺ
Number s	signing pe	tition	for ch	arter.			3

Robert Flentje, Oliver McDaniel, J. H. Grubb, Elmer Stubbs, B. F. Edwards, Frank Hays, H. H. Bast, G. C. Edwards, J. F. McAnally, T. E. Orr, H. M. Robinson, R. O'Conner, W. R. Cox, P. G. Williams, H. C. Garvey, J. P. Edwards, G. B. Lutyens, O. E. Johnson, Robert P. Lynn, George W. Carter, Henry Williams, Henry I. Ellington.

While the record shows the work to have been done correctly in the main, the minutes have been kept in a crude and loose manner. We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Buffalo Lodge No. 945.

Joy Lodge, U.D., Joy, Mercer county, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge June 29, 1911, by M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted June 30, 1911, by R.W. Bro. C. L. Gregory, D.D.G.M., of the Twenty-second District.

The work of this lodge is as follows:

Number	of petitions received
Number	elected 8
Number	not acted on 5
Number	initiated 8
Number	passed 3
Number	raised 3
Number	named in dispensation33
Number s	signing petition for charter36

Whose names are as follows:

William F. Spence, Orlando Brown, George H. Campbell, Clarence A. Morrow, Verdi Pullen, Joseph Lyle Carnahan, Thomas J. Harney, Charlie Noble, Roscoe L. Belt, Jonathan Dodson, George H. Moore, August Relander, Chas. Strong, J. Edward Shingledecker, Charles Jackson, Virgil A. Love, Fred A. Rader, Archie O. Snyder, M. S. Poland, Paris Noble, Niels Jensen, J. F. Shingledecker, G. W. Thomason, A. H. Thomason, C. R. Gates, C. J. Noble, William E. Bryant, John C. Brown, C. R. Prouty, R. W. Willits, Robert Lee Downing, William Tieman, Harvey Ray Kiddoo, William Vance Love, John Downing Carnahan, Clovis Omar Finch.

The record of this lodge is a model of tabulation, neatness and accuracy, and it gives your committee great pleasure to say so much in praise of the work done by them; we recommend a charter be granted this lodge as Joy Lodge No. 946.

KENMORE LODGE, U.D., Chicago, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued to this lodge June 5, 1911, by M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted July 3, 1911, by R.W. Bro. E. W. Peterson, D.D.G.M., of the Seventh District.

The work of this lodge is as follows:

Number	of petitions received20
Number	elected15
Number	rejected 2
Number	not acted on 3
Number	initiated13
Number	passed10
Number	raised 9
Number	named in dispensation31
Number	named in dispensation, not signing petition
for cla	parter 3
Number	signing petition for charter37

Whose names are as follows:

Charles Stanley Aitken, William Bell Aitken, Charles Bishop Bogue, Max Borchardt, John (J) Burke, Herbert Plowright Burton, Otto Lenard Dahlgren, Herbert Elwood Emerson, William Wallace Flannigan, George Theodore Garratt, Samuel Bothwell Green, Henry Ernst Gries, William Henry Hallam, William Edward Hoinville, Sivert Vallentin Hollesen, William Kramer, Jens Marthinius Larsen, Christopher Columbus Lazenby, Stanley (A.) Matthews, Albert Theodore Maul, James Smith McCord, Thomas Carling Naylor, Edward Alvetus Oakley, Albert Henry Reinhardt, Arthur Jean Reubold, Ivan Edward Ringstad, Earle Arthur Russell, Perley Ando Russell, Charles Emanuel Saxon, Edmund Ernest Schreiner, Woolf Schwab, Arthur Eugene Smith, Frank Spensley, Wellington Stewart, Harry Aaron Sultan, Adelbert Ezra Whitney, William Anderson Stewart.

The record of Kenmore Lodge has been well and correctly kept and no errors whatever have been found in it. We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Kenmore Lodge No. 947.

R. F. Casey Lodge, U.D., Kell, Marion county, Illinois.

A dispensation for this lodge was issued June 29. 1911, by M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted July 20, 1911, by Bro. Joseph N. Morrow.

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Number	of petitions received	1
Number	elected	2
Number	not acted on	Э
Number	initiated	2
Number	passed	I

Whose names are as follows:

Omer V. Cummins, Francis M. Purcell, Roy E. McNeilly, Glovy B. McNeilly, R. A. Jeffries, Albert L. Smith, Harvey D. May, Zenas H. Freeman, Amos May, Joel D. Simmons, Joel K. Simmons, Arthur Mc. K. Frost, John B. McConnell, Wm. H. Ward, John C. Ward, J. M. Giddings, Omer L. Gaston, Mathew Telford, John S. March, Oscar G. Hays, Wm. H. Howell.

The minutes have been kept in a loose and careless manner and show lack of neatness on the part of the secretary, otherwise the work has been done correctly. We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as R. F. Casey Lodge No. 948.

JUSTICE LODGE, U.D., Chicago, Illinois.

The work of this lodge is as follows:

A dispensation for this lodge was issued by M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, Grand Master, on July 10, 1911. The lodge was instituted July 11, 1911, by R.W. Bro. Harry W. Harvey, D.D.G.M., of the Second District.

The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number	of petitions received54
Number	elected39
Number	rejected 2
Number	not acted on
Number	initiated36
Number	passed21
Number	raised21
Number	named in dispensation22
Number	signing petition for charter43

Whose names are as follows:

Harvey Edward Nighthart, Aaron Carl Koethe, Edwin Henry Oxley, Henry Marcus Thompson, Harry Walker DeJarnette, Andrew Jackson O'Donnell, Charles Earnest Turk, Percy Harry Corbett, Joshua William Mason, Thomas Jones, Alfred Douglas Green, John Quincy Currie, Joseph William Tanner, John Hillinger, Annesty Thomas Young, Henry H. Peebles, Roger John Marcy, John Edward Murback, Charles Climer,

Ingoard Martin Scott, Wilfred Joseph Papin, John Quincy Adams, Edward Stephen Maguire, Harry Mason Crowe, Alred Henry Clark, Herman Semmler, Charles Elwynn Parsill, Barney Castor, August Steinbrecker, Jr., Frank Navier Kindberg, Robert Emmet Keating, William Henry Warren, Louis Ray Christie, Joseph Smith Higgins, Walter Joseph Roetter, Arthur Gilbert Elliott, Craig Aubrey Groat, George William Cooper, Theodore Augustin Heyer, George Perry Deming, Andrew John Swanson, Ferdinand Henry Hepner, Harry Antoine Jensen.

The record of Justice Lodge has been very well kept and we recommend it for a model for lodges working under dispensation in the future; we recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Justice Lodge No. 949.

It has been brought to the notice of your Committee that some of the lodges working under dispensation in this Grand Jurisdiction, are going out into the highways and byways and soliciting membership, asking men to become Masons and to put their petitions into their respective lodges. While the names of no individual lodges have been given to the committee, yet such practices have been intimated to the Grand Master.

Brethren, practices of this character are reprehensible in the extreme and are beneath the dignity of Masons and Masonry, and are contrary to the landmarks laid down and practiced by Ancient Craft Masonry from time immemorial.

While we all feel a just pride in the growth of Masonry in this grand old state of ours, that now stands first in point of good work and interest, and second in numbers, yet we should never sacrifice principle for numbers, nor quality for quantity. If it were known by your committee who the offenders are, no recommendation would ever be given for a charter for any such lodge or lodges.

It is with a commendable degree of pride and pleasure that we come before you this year with a clean slate, and recommend that charters be granted to all of the twenty-two lodges presented for our consideration. Taking the work done by the lodges, as a whole, it is very creditable indeed, while with most of them, the work has been of a very high order.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. MITCHELL,
JOHN JOHNSTON,
I. H. TODD,
J. W. HAMILTON,
CHAS. H. MARTIN,
F. E. LOCKE,

Committee.

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, 1911, submit the following summary of the tabulated statement:

Increase.
Number raised 8,391
Number reinstated
Number admitted
Number added for error 102
Total increase
Decrease.
Number suspended
Number expelled
Number dimitted
Number died
Number deducted for error
Total decrease
Net gain in membership 5,801
Total membership June 30, 1911108,068
Number of chartered lodges
Number residing in Illinois
Non-resident members
Number passed
Received from dues year ending June 30, 1911\$97,207.20
Contributed to members, their widows and orphans.\$43,556.82
Contributed to those not members
Contributed to tinnois Masonic Orphans Home 1,435.50
Total contributed to charity\$50,390 08

We further report that we have found the work of the Grand Secretary in the tabulation of the various reports from the lodges throughout the state to have been very carefully done indeed, and this has been of great assistance to your committee in the examination of these returns, and in the preparation of this report.

There is a marked improvement in preparing the returns of the lodges as sent in by the respective secretaries, but there are still some secretaries who are careless in this matter, and we would suggest that these be urged to use more care in the preparation of their respective reports.

Fraternally submitted,

C. F. HITCHCOCK,
S. M. SCHOEMANN,
C. M. TURNER,
PHIL. C. BARCLAY,
H. C. MERTZ,

Committee.

AMENDMENT—To By-Laws—Adopted.

M.W. Bro. Alexander H. Bell called up the amendment to Art. 6, Part 1, Grand Lodge By-Laws, adding a new section 5. It was adopted.

Section 5. The bond required to be given by the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary respectively shall be in the following form:

such books, records, moneys and things of value, then this obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

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AMENDMENT-To By-Laws-Proposed.

M.W. Bro. Owen Scott offered the following amendment to Art. 19, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws by adding Sec. 8 It being seconded by the representatives of more than twenty lodges, lies over until next year:

Sec. 8. There shall be provided by the Grand Secretary a form of receipt for dues to be used by all lodges. One side of this receipt shall show the name and number of the lodge of which the brother is a member and the date to which his dues are paid. On the other side there shall be the certificate of the Grand Secretary that the lodge of which the brother is a member is a regular chartered lodge of Illinois. This certificate shall be attested by a fac simile of the seal of this Grand Lodge and the signature of the Grand Secretary both printed thereon. The form of receipt and certificate to be substantially as follows:

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This is to Certify. That Bro.	, whose si	gnature appears
on the margin hereof, has paid to	Lodge No	, A.F. & A.M.
of, Illinois, the sum of	in ful	l of all dues and
charges to said Lodge to		
SEAL OF		Secretary.

A. F. & A. M., do he this certificate is regu and its members, w privileges and court bod	Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, rreby certify that the Lodge shown on the reverse side of a larly chartered by the Grand Lodge of Illinois, A.F. & A.M., nen in good standing in said Lodge, are entitled to all the esies of visitation given by Lodges whose governing ies are recognized by this Grand Lodge as regular Grand ges of A.F. & A.M.
[SEAL]	Grand Secretary.

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, Nimrod Mace, D. Fitzgerald, Andrew McNally, Albert Jampolis.

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

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master. Henry T. Burnap, R.W. Deputy Grand Master. Ralph H. Wheeler, R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

The election of the R.W. Junior Grand Warden and other elective officers was made a special order of business for Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock.

INVITATIONS.

Many of the Chicago lodges held special communications to entertain the Representatives to the Grand Lodge. Invitations were read from the following:

Crescent Lodge No. 895. Lake View Lodge No. 774. Keystone Lodge No. 639. Garden City Lodge No. 141. Arcana Lodge No. 717. St. Cecelia Lodge No. 865. Garfield Lodge No. 686. Dearborn Lodge No. 310. South Park Lodge No. 652.

CALLED OFF.

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

SECOND DAY.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, A. D. 1911, A. L. 5911, 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.

The minutes of Tuesday's session were read and approved. Prayer was offered by the Grand Chaplain.

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 of Illinois, A.F. and A.M.:

Your committee to whom was referred that part of the Grand Master's report that pertains to Maywood Lodge No. 869 would fraternally report that the questions involved in this case have been carefully considered by this Committee and the Master and several brethren of this lodge have been fully heard by us.

It appears that in April, 1911, this lodge received a petition from a candidate who was recommended by three members of that lodge. The petition was received and referred to the usual committee. After a report by the committee, the lodge acted on the petition and elected the candidate and on May 23, 1911, the lodge conferred the Entered Apprentice degree upon him. On August 29, 1911, the brother was passed to the degree of Fellow Craft.

The candidate was not, in our opinion, in possession of the necessary physical qualifications to be made a Mason but it is stated that

none of the officers or members of the lodge had noticed the physical defect. The defect in question was that the candidate had lost the fore-finger of his right hand close to the knuckle joint. While it is claimed as stated that none of the officers or members of the lodge knew of this disqualification of the candidate, yet your committee is constrained to hold that it was their plain duty to know of it. They should have known of it. Not to know is a negligence so culpable that we can find no excuse for it.

In the Belknap Lodge case this Grand Lodge one year ago gave emphasis to its requirement that the lodge should know the material on which it works and we feel that ignorance of a defect such as is here under consideration can in no wise excuse the lodge or its officers for having done what was plainly subversive of unquestioned Masonic law.

Your Committee is of opinion that the lodge and lodge officers must be held to strict account when the defect is so obvious that only inexcusable negligence could have failed to discover it.

We, therefore, recommend that the charter of Maywood Lodge No. 869 be arrested for the period of thirty days from this date and we further recommend that Bro. A. J. Knopf, as Master of said lodge, be deposed from his office as Master for the term of forty-five days from this date.

The punishment here suggested is thus tempered for the reason that we are of the opinion that the violation of law here involved was not in a spirit of contumacy but was the result of negligence which cannot be excused or palliated.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD COOK,
A. H. BELL,
C. E. ALLEN,
GODFRED LANGHENRY.
J. C. CRAWFORD,
Committee on Jurisprudence.

APPOINTMENT—Special Committee.

M.W. Bros. Alexander H. Bell and Owen Scott and R.W. Bro. Sidney S. Breese were appointed a special committee to take up and report at this session on the three recommendations made in the Grand Master's Report:

1. Requiring all constituent lodges to conduct business with foreign lodges through the Grand Master.

- 2. Reducing the representation of each lodge in the Grand Lodge from three to one and giving each one vote.
- 3. Requiring Masters of lodges to offer their proxies to the Wardens of their lodges before giving them to other brethren.

LETTER OF REGRET.

The Grand Secretary read a letter from M.W. Bro. Wm. H. Scott regretting his inability to be present on account of sickness. The Grand Secretary was instructed to send Brother Scott a letter of greeting and good wishes.

REPORT-Masonic Relief Association.

R.W. Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler presented his report as representative to the biennial meeting of the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada. The report was accepted and ordered printed in the proceedings.

To the Officers and Members of the M.W. Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M.:

As your representative I attended the ninth biennial meeting of the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada, held in Pittsburgh, Pa., on October 3 and 4, 1911. The attendance was good, there being delegates present from a large number of the jurisdictions, including Louisiana on the south, Quebec on the north, Massachusetts on the east, and Missouri on the west. A very sad event was the death of the delegate from Nebraska, Bro. Gustav Anderson, who we were informed, dropped dead in Chicago while en route to Pittsburgh.

The interest manifested at the meeting was very gratifying and the number of papers presented was greater than ever before. The progress during the past two years has been marked, eleven new Grand Jurisdictions having come into the fold, including those of our immediate neighbors, Michigan, Indiana and Missouri.

During the two years over 350 names and descriptions of imposters and unworthy persons preying upon the craft have been published to the lodges, and in this manner the funds of our lodges and Boards of Relief have been conserved. There is little doubt that during the next two years the work will be even more satisfactory, as the Association is operating in a much more extensive territory, and there is no doubt that its existence tends to discourage the impostor and unworthy.

Financially, the Association is in about the same condition as it has been for some time. It is not their intention to accumulate any money, but simply to collect sufficient to meet the actual expenses. With the steady increase in membership there is some prospect of a reduction in the per capita cost to members.

The same officers were re-elected for the ensuing two years and your representative was continued on the Advisory Board.

AMENDMENT-To By-Laws Adopted.

Bro. Franklin S. Catlin called up the amendment to Sec. 1, Art. 15, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws proposed last year. It was adopted.

The section as amended reads as follows:

Section I. 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. 11, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws.

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. and A.M.:

- 1. It appears from the certificate of the secretary of Orel Lodge No. 759 that the petition of William A. Gaddis for reinstatement failed to receive the required two-thirds vote of the members of Orel Lodge present when action was taken on said petition. Therefore this petition should not have been transmitted to the Grand Secretary. We recommend that no action be taken on said petition.
- 2. Your committee also recommends that no action be taken upon the petition of Elmer F. Meyers, who petitioned Ballen Lodge No. 412, for reinstatement, for the reason that it appears from the certificate of the secretary of said lodge that said petition was not concurred in by

two-thirds of the members of said lodge present when said petition was voted upon in said lodge. This petition should not have been transmitted to the Grand Secretary.

3. Your committee has very carefully considered the petition of Samuel DeBerry Peeler for reinstatement after suspension. The petitioner was deposed from the office of Worshipful Master of Belknap Lodge No. 822 and suspended from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, on July 21, 1910, by order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master.

The Grand Master reported his action to this Grand Lodge at its last annual communication and the punishment of Brother Peeler was approved.

This petition was presented to Belknap Lodge and transmitted to the Grand Secretary on October 5 last. If the requirement that petitions for reinstatement after expulsion should be transmitted to the Grand Secretary at least ten days before the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge, should be held to apply in this case, then this petition was not transmitted in time for consideration by this Grand Lodge.

Inasmuch, however, as the M.W. Grand Master referred said petition so that the same might be acted upon by your committee, and the petition should have been originally presented to the Grand Lodge, your committee holds that it may properly consider said petition at this time.

Brother Peeler's offense consisted in knowingly permitting the election, initiating, passing and raising of a physically unfit candidate, while he was Worshipful Master and the executive head of Belknap Lodge.

Your Committee is not unmindful of the fact that sixteen out of eighteen members of Belknap Lodge present and voting on Brother Peeler's petition for reinstatement concurred in said petition. It should be remembered, however, that some of these sixteen members were cognizant of the violation of Masonic law, and were not blameless themselves. It is but natural that under the circumstances, they would feel under obligations to lighten the punishment of Brother Peeler.

At the last annual communication of this Grand Lodge the Committee on Jurisprudence carefully investigated the facts concerning and provoking the disciplining of Brother Peeler,—and that committee found that his offense merited the punishment of indefinite suspension. From the evidence before us we are convinced that this petition and the concurrence of certain members of Belknap Lodge therein was prompted more by a feeling of resentment than of penitence. These brethren should more fully realize that pardon is a matter of grace and not of

right; that the ancient landmarks of Masonry must be preserved, and that violation of our laws will surely and justly be punished. They should more fully comprehend the gravity of the offense of their former Worshipful Master, and their own responsibility in the matter.

In view of all the circumstances, your committee feels that the good of Masonry will be best subserved by rejecting Brother Peeler's petition, and we therefore recommend that the prayer of said petition be not granted.

4. Russelville Lodge No. 348 has properly petitioned that its name be changed to Flat Rock Lodge. It appearing that due notice of the proposed change and the date of voting thereon were given as required by law and that said proposed change was favored by a unanimous ballot, your committee recommends that this Grand Lodge consent to said change of the name of Russelville to Flat Rock Lodge No. 348.

Francis E. Baldwin, C. M. Carpenter, S. O. Pearce,

Committee.

OFFER-Mount Greenwood Cemetery.

Bro. W. N. Rudd, of Calumet Lodge No. 716, presented a proposition from Mount Greenwood Cemetery Association to deed a lot in their cemetery to the Grand Lodge and erect monuments thereon. On motion the matter was referred to a committee of three to report at this session of the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master thereupon appointed as such committee Bros. Andrew McNally, Amos Pettibone and W. H. Robson.

REPORT-Committee on Obituaries

Bro. C. W. Harriss, 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:

Not for one moment would we forget our deep sorrow in the death of Masonry's dear ones, nor the mighty love and sympathy that we cherish for the homes that have been bereft, but in this memorial, let us gain lessons from life rather than ponder concerning the somber subject, Death. Life and Death are linked together as twin mysteries. "Whence came ye?" and "Whither go ye?" are questions too mysterious for the mind of mortal man to answer in their fullness.

"Once on my mother's breast, a child, I crept, Holding my breath;
There, safe and sad, lay shuddering, and wept At the dark mystery of Death.
Weary and weak, and worn with all unrest, Spent with the strife,—
O mother, let me weep upon thy breast At the sad mystery of Life!"

One thing we know: Life is short. In answer to the important question, "What is your life?" the great Light in Masonry, the Holy Bible, answers in a number of beautiful metaphors: Life is a tale that is told, a pilgrimage, a swift ship, a dream, a sleep, a vapor, a shadow, a flower, as grass which "in the morning groweth up and flourisheth and in the evening is cut down and withereth." What mean these grim images? these striking figures? Simply that life is short; that we must work while it is called today; "that we may number our days and apply our hearts unto wisdom," that we may realize what a precious gem is each moment of our transient earthly stay.

Paradoxically, we say: How small is life; and in the next breath: How great is life! Infinitely small when compared with eternity; tremendously great when we consider our duties toward our fellowmen and our God. Its very brevity makes the moments more precious. Its opportunities and responsibilities crowd upon us and almost overwhelm us. It makes of us men of muscle and sinew, of high ambition, of keen intellect, of noble but God-fearing disposition. If there were no end of this transitory existence, we would waste and squander the time bestowed upon us by a lavish hand. Idle listlessness would be the result. Ease and lethargy would poison every life; but as it is, life becomes a great thing, a valuable possession indeed. This thought should incite us to action. It should cause every beat of the heart to pulsate with energy and activity. It should open our eyes and make our vision keener to avoid the pitfalls and snares, the idle pursuits, the meaningless follies; and to climb higher and higher, far above the clouds among the sublime peaks of lofty heroism and simple trust in Almighty God.

Life is irrevocable. In a flash, an angry, indiscreet word is said. A heart is bruised by its cruelty. Oh that it might be recalled! But no! The powers of earth combined cannot recall it. An ill fated day arrives. Temptation assails. We fall. Oh, the bitterness of the cup we

drink. Another evil day rolls around. Duty calls. The bugle's clear notes are heard calling for heroes to stand for the right and for God. We heed not the call. We are idle and listless. We are cowards. We cry in vain to bring back the ill-fated days and hours, but no, it cannot be done. The erroneous moment is gone. The hour of idleness is spent. The day of doing nothing for right and for God is as "water spilled upon the ground which cannot be gathered up again."

As Masons, we have just completed an irrevocable year. We look with pride and pleasure upon every laudable honor gained; every gracious act performed; every kind and helpful word spoken; every high and holy ambition perfected. They, too, are irrevocable. They are entered to our credit in Life's great ledger. They shine and they will shine forever in splendor as the fixed stars in the firmament. On the other hand, we look with sorrow and penitence upon moments misspent, upon lamentable but deserved failures; upon grievous, unpardonable carelessness and error. They are in equal measure irrevocable and we cannot recall the moments worse than wasted.

Firmly let us resolve; fervently let us pray that one year from this hour, sacred as it is to the memory of our beloved dead, when we come to review the irrevocable past, there shall be fewer mistakes to wish unmade, fewer hasty, inconsiderate words to wish unsaid; and more rejoicing over memories of days well spent in the service of God, Home and Native Land.

More than any other book, the Bible gives us light concerning the great mysteries of life and death. We read from its blessed pages that Life is as a sleep. No other teachings so characterize it. Grecian philosophy calls death a sleep. But the Bible comes to us with the cheering, uplifting thought that life is the sleep and that death is but the grand and glorious awakening to the true life, undisturbed by earth's terrible dreams and experiences.

Thus it is that Masons "go forth to meet the shadowy future without a fear and with a manly heart." The fact that life is an uncertain thing has no terrors for the true Mason whose trust must be in God and God alone. In the midst of storm and tempest, he is undaunted. His faith is an anchor to the soul. Darkness may enshroud him: the winds and rains may buffet him, but with confidence and serenity he hears a sentinel

> "Who moves about from place to place, And whispers to the worlds of space, In the deep night, that all is well,"

Darker and yet darker may grow the night; fiercer and yet fiercer may be the storm; earth's fairest and sweetest flowers may be changed to painful, piercing thorns which wound at every step; funeral dirges of dead hopes, dead ambitions, dead friends, may continually beset him with their doleful strains; yet amid all, he is a hero, and with the utmost trust and with the sublimest patience, he prays:

"Lead, Kindly Light, amid the encircling gloom, Lead thou me on! The night is dark, and I am far from home,— Lead thou me on! Keep thou my feet; I do not ask to see The distant scene,—one step's enough for me.

So long thy power hath blessed me, sure it still Will lead me on;
O'er moor and fen, o'er crag and torrent, till
The night is gone;
And with the morn those angel faces smile
Which I have loved long since, and lost awhile."

With tenderest sympathy for those who have been bereaved, we compile from reports sent us from the Grand Jurisdictions of our sister states, the following:

. Alabama—D. Dudley Williams, Past Grand Master; died March 12, 1911.

Arizona—Thomas Standford Bunch; died June 10, 1911. Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master at the time of his death.

California—William Frank Pierce, Past Grand Master; died October 3, 1910.

Connecticut—Frederick Hemingway Waldron, Past Grand Master. Died November 20, 1910.

INDIANA—Samuel Bassett, Past Grand Master; died August 14, 1911. Lucien A. Foote, Past Grand Master; died November 30, 1910, at the age of 86. Simeon P. Gillett, Past Grand Master; died November 26, 1910. Isaac P. Leyden, Past Grand Master; died October 11, 1910.

Iowa—Willard Lee Eaton, Past Grand Master; died June 7, 1911. David Watherup Clements, Past Grand Master; died November 14, 1910.

Kansas—Chiles C. Coleman, Past Grand Master; died March 4, 1911. John Calvin Postlethwaite, Past Grand Master; died November 26, 1910.

MARYLAND—William M. Isaac, Deputy Grand Secretary 1873 to 1903; Grand Secretary from 1903 to 1911; died in office January 4, 1911. Henry Clay Larrabee, Past Deputy Grand Master; died July 29, 1911, at the age of 82.

MICHIGAN—William B. Wilson, Past Grand Master; died January 24, 1911, at the age of 82.

MISSISSIPPI—Frederic Speed, Grand Secretary at the time of his death and had been since 1901; died March 10, 1911; Grand Master in 1882.

Montana—Harrison Jordan, Past Deputy Grand Master; born in Illinois March 17, 1825; died October 2, 1910, at the ripe age of 85.

Nebraska—Charles K. Coutant, Past Grand Master; died August 23, 1910. Melville R. Hopewell, Past Grand Master; died May 2, 1911.

NEVADA—Chauncey Norman Noteware, Grand Secretary, A.F. and A.M., and of the Grand Chapter, R.A.M., from 1887 until his death, October 22, 1910, at the age of 86.

OHIO—Joseph McKendree Goodspeed, Past Grand Master; died June 11, 1911.

Oregon—John Milton Hodson, Past Grand Master; died October 9, 1910. William Fountain Butcher, Past Grand Master; died November 17, 1910.

Prince Edward Island—Benjamin Rogers, Sr., Past Grand Master; died January 21, 1911.

SOUTH DAKOTA—William Clark Allen, Past Grand Master; died November 9, 1910. Henry Harrison Blair, Past Grand Master; died February 27, 1911. Frederick H. Files, Past Grand Master; died March 1, 1911.

SOUTH CAROLINA—Jacob Thomas Barron, Past Grand Master, and Grand Secretary at the time of his death, September 16, 1910.

TENNESSEE—John Robert Smith, Past Grand Master; died July 30, 1910.

Wisconsin—Nathan Clark Giffin, Past Grand Master; died May 10, 1911.

WYOMING—Jethro Tabor Holliday, Past Grand Master; died September 20, 1910.

Volumes could be written concerning the interesting and illustrious lives of these brethren. Some of them were leaders in politics and were honored with various public offices in county, state and nation. Some were leaders in religious and charitable enterprises. All of them were good men and true Masons of whom the fraternity was justly proud. We regret that time and space limitations will not permit us to speak their praises of which they are so richly deserving. May God bless



JOHN CORSON SMITH M. W. Grand Master, 1887-1888



their memories to the good of mankind and may their illustrious mantles fall upon worthy shoulders.

ILLINOIS.

The scythe of the Silent Reaper, with its unrelenting sweep, has cut the brittle thread of life and has borne some of our best beloved, from the inner circle of our brotherhood to the Grand Lodge above. They have laid aside the working tools of this transitory existence. With great love and profound reverence do we speak of them. Today we, their faithful friends and brethren, pause in our sorrow to drop a tear and pluck a laurel to lay upon their tombs.

JOHN CORSON SMITH.

Just as the year 1910 was dying, there passed away an eminent citizen, a brave soldier, a most distinguished Mason, General John Corson Smith.

Words are too feeble to express the love, the admiration, the reverence that we cherish for this grand old veteran whose long life was adorned with such honor, valour, and virtue.

It is but necessary to recount briefly the many honors conferred upon him by his loyal friends and brethren. These will bear stronger testimony than any eulogy that we can give as to his greatness of heart, grandness of soul and sublimity of character.

Born in the city of Philadelphia, February 13, 1832, he resided there until 1854, when he came for a little time to Chicago, removing from thence a few months later to Galena, Illinois, where, in March of 1856, he was married to Charlotte A. Gallaher. As a young man he was a carpenter and builder. In this useful vocation he became a master.

In 1862 with characteristic patriotism, he listened to the call of "Father Abraham" and enlisted as a private in the 74th Regiment, Illinois Volunteers, canceling at the same time several large and important contracts which, had he completed them, would have meant a competency for himself and family; but he willingly sacrified all for love of country.

In the same year, by commission from our immortal war Governor, Richard Yates, he recruited a Company which afterwards became Company I, 96th Regiment, Illinois Infantry Volunteers, and of which he was made Captain. Afterwards he was elected Major of this regiment. With signal bravery and courage, he participated in the following military movements and hard fought battles: The defense of Cincinnati, the second battle of Fort Donelson, Franklin, Chickamauga, Mission

Ridge, Rocky Fall Ridge, Resaca, New Hope Church, Dallas, Pine Mountain, Kenesaw Mountain and Nashville. In the battle of Kenesaw Mountain, while bravely fighting, he was seriously wounded. For his efficiency of service and for his heroism in defense of the stars and stripes, he was breveted Colonel by President Lincoln and Brigadier General by President Johnson.

All honor to the grand old veteran and patriot, the hero of so many battles, General John C. Smith.

In 1874 he came from Galena to Chicago, which was his home from that time until his death. In this wonderful city whose very name is synonymous with hustle, enterprise and achievement, he became one of its most honored and best known citizens. After the war, it was but natural that honors of a civic character should be conferred upon him in profusion. After filling various public positions with fidelity and zeal, he was elected State Treasurer of Illinois in 1878 and again in 1882. In 1884 he was chosen by the people of his beloved state, Lieutenant Governor; and several times was the choice of a large multitude of his friends for Governor.

As to his far-famed services as a Mason, a volume could well be written. Time and space will permit only of a mere mention of some of the positions which he filled with so much honor and credit to himself and his beloved fraternity.

He was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in Miners Lodge No. 273, Galena, Ill., May 21, 1859; exalted a Royal Arch Mason May 15, 1860; made a Royal and Select Master February 19, 1873, and a Knight Templar April 26, 1871. He received all of the degrees of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, fourth to the thirty-second, February 26 to May 28, 1873; was created a Sovereign Grand Inspector General, thirty-third and last degree in the Northern Supreme Council, August 19, 1875, and crowned an active member of the same at Cincinnati, Ohio, September 23, 1883; served as the deputy from Illinois, from that time until 1900 when he was elected Grand Minister of State, an office he held until his death.

He was for five years Worshipful Master of Miners Lodge No. 273; seven years High Priest of Jo Daviess Chapter No. 51, R.A.M.; thirty-three years Thrice Illustrious Master of Ely S. Parker Council No. 60; four years Eminent Commander of Galena Commandery No. 40, K.T.; Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Illinois, 1887-1889; Grand Treasurer, Grand Council R. and S.M., 1880 to 1911; Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Illinois, 1880; Knight Commander of the Temple and Grand Cross Knight of the Great Priory

of England. His Masonic affiliations, in addition to the foregoing, were many and notable, he being an honorary member of Masonic bodies in all parts of the world. Probably no other Mason in all the world was better known.

We shall attempt no further eulogy and will only add that we are proud that one so good, so grand, and so great was an Illinoisan.

When the death of General Smith was announced, messages of sympathy and tributes of love poured in from all parts of the world. We know of no more fitting manner in which to close this memorial than to quote from two of these:

Most Worshipful Brother, Walter H. Harris, of England, says that General Smith was "one who was universally known, ont only as a perfect Mason, but as one who had equally excelled in the arts of War and Peace."

From W. J. Chetwode Crawley, Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer of Ireland comes this splendid tribute: "No brother from the United States was ever a more frequent, or a more welcome visitor to the Irish fraternity than Gen. John Corson Smith. His genial, yet commanding presence was well known in our Masonic circles, and no brother ever did more, perhaps no brother ever did so much, to rivet the chains of duty and affection that bind together the fraternity on both sides of the Atlantic."

CHARLES FISHER.

At the time of his death the oldest member of the Grand Lodge of this state, was born December 24, 1822, at Quincy, Pennsylvania; died in Springfield, Illinois, July 9, 1911, at the ripe old age of 88. He was indeed a veteran in Masonry, having been a Master Mason for more than sixty-three years. Very few are privileged to enjoy so many years in the service. He was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in Springfield Lodge No. 4 on March 28, 1848; became a charter member of Central Lodge No. 71, March 7, 1849, and was the last living charter member. He served as Worshipful Master of this lodge for eight years. On January 12, 1849, he was exalted a Royal Arch Mason and served as High Priest for seven years. Was also a Knight Templar and a member of the Consistory, in each of which he delighted. In 1867 Brother Fisher was Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge and subsequently was one of the first Grand Lecturers. He held various positions of importance in the Grand Chapter of Illinois, and in the Grand Council and Grand Commandery, especially in the 50's and 60's. Faithful to the blessed teachings of Masonry to the last, he died full of years, years of devotion to our cause, to the upbuilding and betterment of his fellowmen.

WM. E. GINTHER

Departed this life in Charleston, Illinois, September 22, 1911, at the ripe age of seventy-seven years.

Brother Ginther was born in the Province of Saxony, Prussia, on May 2, 1834. He came to this country in 1850 and settled in Chicago, Illinois. He was traveling salesman for many years, traveling out of Chicago. In 1864 he removed to Charleston, Illinois, and engaged in the hardware and lumber business. He continued in the hardware and lumber business until 1907, when he retired.

The last four years he has been a guard in the office of the Illinois State Treasurer at Springfield in which capacity he was engaged at the time of his death.

He represented the western portion of Cook county in the State Legilslature in 1861-62 and for four years he was a member of the Cook County Board of Supervisors.

Brother Ginther was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in Union Lodge No. 2, of Sabula, Iowa, on June 10, 1857. He has been a member of Charleston Lodge No. 35 since 1864. He was Grand Lecturer of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge for a great many years and has held many very important positions on committees.

Brother Ginther 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.

This Committee reports with profound sorrow the deaths of the following Masters and Past Masters of local lodges. Their names are written on a roll of honor as the names of those who wrought in the quarries with fidelity and zeal and who produced good work, true work, square work:

THOMAS EVERETT ALSOP, W.M. Scott Lodge No. 79 for three years, viz.: 1903-4 and 1910, died September 22, 1910.

Frank Anthony, W.M. Rock River Lodge No. 612, 1899, died April 8, 1911.

Shubael T. Armstrong, W.M. Sycamore Lodge No. 134, 1901, died April 19, 1911.

DANIEL A. ARNOLD, W.M. Hesperia Lodge No. 411 for the years 1892 and 1893, died March 14, 1911.



WM, E. GINTHER
Born May 2, 1834 Died September 22, 1911

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WM. BALHATCHET, W.M. Siloam Lodge No. 780 for the year 1903, died July 3, 1910.

JOHN H. BARTON (name of lodge not stated), W.M. 1889-1890 and 1903, died March 5, 1911.

Frank H. Bayne, W.M. Jo Daviess Lodge No. 278, 1906 and 7; died August 1, 1910.

MILAS BELLAMY, W.M. Blue Mound Lodge No. 682, December, 1892, to December, 1893, died May 22, 1911.

Charles Joseph De Berard, W.M. Beacon Light Lodge No. 784. 1886-7 and 8, died November 28, 1910.

EDWARD BLACKSHAW, W.M. Urbana Lodge No. 157 in 1878 and 9, died March 27, 1911.

JACOB F. BLESSING, W.M. Alto Pass Lodge No. 840, from 1895 to about 1899, died April 29, 1911.

CARL L. J. BORINE, W.M. DeKalb Lodge No. 144 in 1908 and 1909, died October 13, 1910.

W. S. Bothwell, W.M. Clay Center Lodge No. 488 for the years 1892, 1893, 1899 and 1900, died September 30, 1910.

WILLIAM BOWER, W.M., Orangeville Lodge No. 687 for the year 1891, died December 2, 1910.

Samuel J. Boyd, W.M. Sidney Lodge No. 347, 1889 and 1890, died February 15, 1911.

JAMES A. BRADLEY, W.M. Raymond Lodge No. 692 for the years 1893-4-5-8 and 9, died March 27, 1911.

Manuel M. Briggs, W.M. Trio Lodge No. 57, from 1885 to 1887, died January 8, 1911.

AARON LEGGETT BROWN, W.M. Blaney Lodge No. 271 in 1893, died January 1, 1911.

WILLIAM F. BROWNING, W.M. of Cyrus Lodge No. 188 for the years 1879-1880-1881, 1885, 1889 and 1890, died July 21, 1910.

Addison M. Brownlee, W.M. Benton Lodge No. 64 in 1905, died April 17, 1911.

Henry F. Bussey, W.M. Anna Lodge No. 520 in 1901, died December 21, 1910.

Archibald S. Cameron, W.M. Providence Lodge No. 711, 1886-7-8 and 1892, died December 27, 1910.

S. A. Chapin, W.M. Amon Lodge No. 261, 1867, died May 14, 1911.

Anderson Clark, W.M. Quincy Lodge No. 296, 1885, died Aug. 7, 1910.

Thomas W. Clark (name of lodge not given) W.M. in 1897, died October 19, 1910.

JOHN P. CLOYD, W.M. Russell Lodge No. 154 for 8 years (dates not given), died October 21, 1910.

Edward C. Cooper, W.M. of Homer Lodge No. 199 in 1908, died August 27, 1910.

L. M. Currier (a member of Excelsior Lodge No. 97), W.M. of Moses R. Thomson Lodge No. 381 in 1889, died July 16, 1910.

EDMUND P. DENTON (name of lodge not stated) W.M. in 1870, died May 5, 1911.

WILLIAM E. DUBLEY, W.M. of S. M. Dalzell Lodge No. 805 in 1892 and 1896, died June 22, 1911.

Chas. H. Dyer, W.M. J. D. Moody Lodge No. 510 (date of service not given), died July 13, 1910.

Samuel Dysart, W.M. Franklin Grove Lodge No. 264 in 1880-81-83 and 84, died April 7, 1911.

Charles S. Elder, W.M. Chenoa Lodge No. 292 in 1865, died April 12, 1911.

Stephen Ellis, W.M. Harmony Lodge No. 3 in 1868 and 1869, died February 1, 1911.

William H. Emerson, W.M. Astoria Lodge No. 100, 1873, died June 20, 1911.

Samuel Faverty, W.M. New Holland Lodge No. 741, 1907, died March 10, 1911.

Charles Finefield, W.M. Odell Lodge No. 401, 1889-90, 93-94-95 and 1901, died August 29, 1910.

Clarence Fish, W.M. Landmark Lodge No. 422 in 1907, died January 1, 1911.

Charles M. Fitzhugh, W.M. Dearborn Lodge No. 310 in 1880, died August 15, 1910.

James N. Gardner, W.M. Dills Lodge No. 295 (date of service not definitely stated), died September 15, 1910.

EDWARD F. GATES, W.M. Meridian Sun Lodge No. 505 in 1907-8 and 9, died July 9, 1910.

James Jones Giles, W.M. Centralia Lodge No. 201 in 1884 and 1885, died January 7, 1911.

Amos Gould, W.M. of (name of lodge not stated) from 1863 to 1865 and from 1868 to 1869, died July 8, 1910.

George W. Graves, W.M. LaMoille Lodge No. 383, 1882, died April 12, 1911.

Daniel D. Harper, W.M. Marseilles Lodge No. 417, last year, died April 16, 1911.

D. R. HARRISON, W.M. Herrins Prairie Lodge No. 693, for six years (date of service not given), died May 8, 1911.

Milton B. Hartley, W.M. LaGrange Lodge No. 770, 1899, died June 14, 1911.

OLIVER HAUGHEY, W.M. Auburn Park Lodge No. 789, 1897, died July 14, 1910.

Denis Haworth (name of lodge not given), W.M. in 1881 and 1882, died March 20, 1911.

THOMAS J. HENDERSON, W.M. Princeton Lodge No. 587, 1873 and 1874, died February 5, 1911.

SHERMAN T. HENRY, W.M. three years from January, 1903, to January, 1906 (name of lodge not given), died October 6, 1910.

Andrew Jackson Hewlings, W.M. Dearborn Lodge No. 310 in 1904, died January 18, 1911.

CLARENCE DEVOR HILLER, W.M. Tracy Lodge No. 810 in 1904, died September 19, 1910.

HUGH D. HUNTER, W.M. Kilwinning Lodge No. 311 for the years 1894-5 and 1898, died December 16, 1910.

Albert Jack, W.M. Wm. B. Warren Lodge No. 209, 1877 and 1878. died July 20, 1910.

Enos Johnson, W.M. of Fidelity Lodge No. 152 in 1889-90-91-92 and 93; also W.M. of Franklin Lodge No. 25 in 1899 and 1904, died May 11, 1911.

Joseph Green Johnson, W.M. of Milton Lodge No. 275 in 1881, died November 20, 1910.

Jesse P. Jones, W.M. Sumner Lodge No. 334, 1866-68 and 76, died December 10, 1910.

Nehemiah Knipple, W.M. Buda Lodge No. 399, 1888, died December 25, 1910.

Philip Maas, W.M. of Lessing Lodge No. 557 for ten years, died January 19, 1911.

Alfred B. Mc. Crea, W.M. Creston Lodge No. 320, died December 16, 1910, W.M. for the year 1901.

Samuel McFeeley, W.M. Streator Lodge No. 607, 1892-3 and 4, died October 28, 1910.

- A. A. McGahey, W.M. Murphysboro Lodge No. 498, 1876-83-89-92 and 98, died June 19, 1911.
- A. A. McMurray, W.M. Herrins Prairie Lodge No. 693 for six years, died May 30, 1911.
- J. HOWARD MANN, W.M. Prairie Lodge No. 77 (date of service not given), died June 24, 1911.

JACOB MESSMORE, W.M. of DuQuoin Lodge No. 234 (date of service not given), died May 21, 1911.

James L. Metz, W.M. Chambersburg Lodge No. 373 (unable to give date of service owing to burning of record), died November 7, 1910.

Don D. Miles, W.M. Aurora Lodge No. 254, 1889, died June 3, 1911.

Francis M. Nance, W.M. Avon Harmony Lodge No. 253 in 1873. 1884-5-6 and 7, died April 5, 1911.

Robert N. Newton, W.M. Kendall Lodge No. 471, 1897 to 1899, died January 31, 1911.

John W. Oliver, W.M. Apple River Lodge No. 859, 1901-2-5-6 and 8, died December 16, 1910.

I. H. Parrish, W.M. Dunlap Lodge No. 321, 1905, died April 21, 1911.

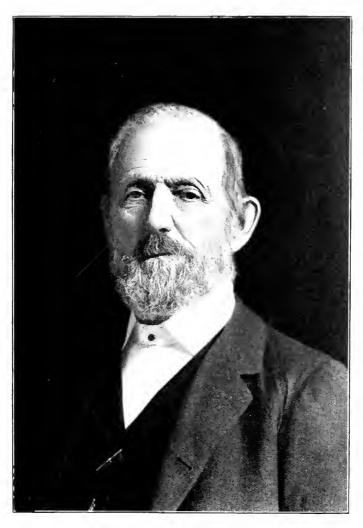
John Franlin Payne, W.M. Potomac Lodge No. 782, 1909, died December 4, 1910.

W. P. PIERCE, Sr., W.M. Star Lodge No. 709 (date of service not given), died February 28, 1911.

NORTON E. PORTER, W.M. Fisher Lodge No. 585, 1904-5-8 and 9, died August 30, 1910.

Newton J. Powers, W.M. Makanda Lodge No. 434, 1879, died April I, 1911.

WARREN G. PURDY, W.M. Landmark Lodge No. 422 in 1876, died October 13, 1910.



CHARLES FISHER
R. W. Deputy Grand Master, 1867



James Raney, W.M. of Weldon Lodge No. 746, from October 16, 1902, to November 5, 1903, and from October, 1904, to October, 1905, died April 22, 1911.

Charles S. Rankin, W.M., Wm. B. Warren Lodge No. 209, 1888-1889, died September 13, 1910.

R. W. Reasoner, W.M. Morrisonville Lodge No. 681 from 1893 to 1895, died April 14, 1911.

Thos. L. Rees, W.M. 1863-64, 70-71-72-73, 77, 85-86-87, died November 10, 1910; was Worshipful Master of Hibbard Lodge No. 249 during the foregoing years.

George M. Richards, W.M. King Solomon's Lodge No. 197, 1907 and 1908, died October 12, 1910.

Joseph V. H. Robinson, W.M. Alta Lodge No. 748, died September 7, 1910; was W.M. from 1881 to 1882.

Moses D. Skaggs, W.M. of Chandlerville Lodge No. 724, 1894, died May 3, 1911.

RICHARD H. SLACK, W.M. Jonesboro Lodge No. 111 in 1910, died November I, 1910. Brother Slack died in office, having served ten months.

Dexter Abram Smith, W.M. Myrtle Lodge No. 795 in 1994. died December 16, 1910.

George G. Smith, W.M. Roscoe Lodge No. 75, 1874-5-6-7-8 and 9, died April 23, 1911.

George W. Smith, W.M. Garfield Lodge No. 686, 1880-1881 and 1883, died August 8, 1910.

JOHN CORSON SMITH, W.M. Miners Lodge No. 273, 1870-1-2-3 and 4, died December 31, 1910.

L. L. Smith, W.M. Jerusalem Temple Lodge No. 90, 1806 died April 20, 1911.

Ulvsses Spears, W.M. Stonefort Lodge No. 495 for the year 1904, died November 16, 1910.

John Spire, W.M. Anna Lodge No. 520, 1873-4-5-6-7-9-80-81-82-84-85-86-87-88-94 and 99, a noteworthy total of sixteen years, died January 22, 1911.

Perry J. Standard, W.M. Lewistown Lodge No. 104 (time of incumbency not stated), died May 8, 1911.

W. Mack Stevens, W.M. Maywood Lodge No. 869, 1908, died January 16, 1911.

Robt. Stewart (name of lodge not stated), W.M. 1891 and 1892, died February 13, 1911.

JOHN DAVID STRAIT, W.M. Mitchell Lodge No. 85 for the years 1897 and 1898, died January 31, 1911.

JACOB D. STROUP, W.M. of Dills Lodge No. 295 (date of incumbency not definitely stated), died April 21, 1911.

Silas Wright Tappen, W.M. Mt. Nebo Lodge No. 76, 1894-1895 and 1897-1898, died January 6, 1911.

JASPER TIDBALL, W.M. Full Moon Lodge No. 344 (date of incumbency not given), died April 25, 1911.

ELIAS DANIEL TULL, W.M. (name of lodge not given), 1887 and 1888, died February 23, 1911.

W. A. TWEEDY, W.M. Stratton Lodge No. 408, 1888-9-91-92-97-1902 and 1904, died November 16, 1910.

HERMAN VAN HUSEN, W.M. Seneca Lodge No. 532, 1899 and 1900, died November 16, 1910.

E. J. Wackerle, W.M. Benevolent Lodge No. 52, 1898, died June 8, 1911.

George E. Warren, W.M. Pontiac Lodge No. 294, 1896, died February 17, 1911.

Benjamin F. Watson, W.M. Bridgeport Lodge No. 386, 1887-8-98 and 99, died October 16, 1910.

Bernard A. Weber, W.M. Star in the East Lodge No. 166, 1872-3-4-7-84-5 and 6, a total of seven years, died January 13, 1911.

Joseph Weiss, W.M. Accordia Lodge No. 277, from December, 1899, to December, 1901, died August 8, 1910.

Dr. Adam Wenger, W.M. (name of lodge not stated), from 1885 to 1903, a period of eighteen years, died October 10, 1910.

JOHN WILDHACK, W.M. Pekin Lodge No. 29, 1889, died April 24, 1011.

JOHN F. WILLAFORD, W.M. Anna Lodge No. 520, 1883-1890-1-2 and 3, died March 20, 1911.

Jonathan C. Willis, W.M. (lodge not stated), 1874-87-88 and 89, died February 26, 1911.

WILLIAM WOOD, W.M. Oblong City Lodge No. 644, 1879, died July 27, 1910.

The year just closing has been for the most of us replete with pleasure and prosperity. God has blessed us with a wealth of comforts and blessings, for which let us be truly thankful; but sorrow and misfortune have visited the homes of many of our brethren. At this hallowed hour, consecrated to the memory of our beloved dead, let us remember with deepest sympathy, those whose homes are bereft and whose hearts are broken.

On the above roll of honor are the names of those whose memory will forever be precious because of their generosity of heart, sweetness of disposition and purity of character. Heaven becomes dearer because they are there. They loved Masonry with an intense love. They delighted to practice its wonderful principles and teachings. No sacrifice was too great in assisting the distressed and troubled one, or in giving comfort and consolation to the broken hearted. They lived not in vain. The world is better because they have lived. And now "They rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

C. W. Harriss, Grant Kirby, Anthony Doherty.

Committee.

ELECTION-Finished.

The M.W. Grand Master announced that the annual election of officers for this Grand Lodge would now be resumed and finished.

The tellers reported that the following named brethren had received a majority of votes cast; they were declared duly elected.

Austin H. Scrogin, R.W. Junior Grand Warden. Leroy A. Goddard, R.W. Grand Treasurer. Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Secretary.

AMENDMENT—Adopted.

M.W. Bro. Edward Cook called up the amendment to Clause 12, Section 1, Art. 6, Part 1, Grand Lodge By-Laws, proposed last year. It was adopted.

The clause as 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."

AMENDMENT—To By-Laws Lost.

Bro. Oscar A. Knopf called up the amendment to Grand Lodge By-Laws proposed last year, adding a new article to Part 1 to be known as Article 16. The amendment was lost.

AMENDMENT-To By-Laws Adopted.

M.W. Bro. Alexander H. Bell called up the amendment to Article 21, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws proposed last year. The amendment was adopted. Section 4 as added reads as follows:

Sec. 4. 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.

INTRODUCTIONS.

R.W. Bro. Wm. L. Andrews, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, and Representative of the Grand Lodge of Illinois near the Grand Lodge of Virginia, was introduced and accorded the Grand Honors.

He spoke as follows:

Most Worshipful Grand Master and my Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Illinois:

I have no doubt that you boys of yesterday will remember some cherished dream that you have had a long while, and perhaps still look forward to its final fruition. For more than thirty years it has been my dream to stand in your city, which has been made historical by a cow. In fact, my brethren, I am told that you have the most historical cow of all time, that has but one rival that is now traveling from pillar to post in a palace car—I have to take a private berth—I cannot have a whole car myself.

But, brethren, I have esteemed it a special honor to be made the representative near the Grand Lodge of Virginia of so illustrious a body as the Grand Lodge of the State of Illinois, the second in size in the nation and the second in worth and honor in the world. I know you will permit me to retain the first place for my own Grand Lodge.

I was particularly impressed in listening today to the long roll of your illustrious dead; men whose names indeed echo throughout the great Masonic world; men of whom the nation should be proud; men whose virtues are worthy of all imitation; men whose deeds are worthy of all emulation.

Your Most Worshipful Grand Master has told you of the project that has been started down in the Old Dominion, to try to erect a fitting monument, that shall be an enduring monument to the name of the most illustrious Mason that ever graced the roll of any Masonic lodge in the world—George Washington. And I thought, as I heard your illustrious roll called, and the name of John Corson Smith read—of all that he had done and of all that he had wrought, how fitting it would be to place his name, side by side with that of Washington; and if we can raise a fund necessary to build that Memorial Temple—which I pray God may be done—then in the apartment set apart for the great state of Illinois, at the head will stand the illustrious name of John Corson Smith, followed by those brethren who are entitled, in their place, in the great Hall of Fame.

My brethren, we have but a small Grand Lodge compared with yours, and a small membership, numbering one-fourth of your magnificent membership, and we are appealing to all the Masons throughout the United States to come up with their tribute and help us erect this fitting monument for our illustrious brother, who had the distinguished honor to build this great nation and to be the father of you all.

We do not ask for a tax to be levied upon you, brethren—far from it—we entreat your free charity, with the open hand, and not with a clasped pocketbook to be wrenched open by legislation—we ask you, each and every brother, to come up and help us construct this grand temple, one that the President of the United States, on the 22nd of last February, pronounced a fitting tribute, and recommended to every Mason.

Brethren, in this great country there are more than a million Masons—in the United States. If every one brought a tribute of a dollar and laid it down for this great worthy object, we would have more than we want—more than we could use. It is the purpose of this Association, of which your illustrious Grand Master is a Vice-President, to construct a temple that shall be in keeping with its name, the Washington Memorial in this temple and Hall of Fame is to be set apart; in that Hall of Fame there shall be appointed to each Grand Jurisdiction, a place for its illustrious dead, and those who shall come to see, and who may have heard the story of the young builder of the temple—may see the other illustrious names that time has written on the Masonic scroll. We trust, my brethren, that your state may have many illustrious names in its place there.

I see that your Grand Master has recommended that a proper sum be set apart from the Grand Lodge. I asked him this morning, if the adoption of that recommendation, would prevent asking the lodges or prevent individual brethren from making voluntary contributions to this fund. He assures me it will not.

Brethren, we would like to have this building built and completed by a fund spontaneously contributed by every Mason, and that every one might point with pride to that building and say: "I helped to build that great memorial to the greatest Mason of all time." I presume, in the course of time the opportunity will be presented to you, my brethren, to help us in this great work; we trust that it will not be a burden but a pleasure. If it is a pleasure, we will be glad to have you help.

But, brethren, if you should travel down to the Old Dominion—you know that you came down there about forty-six years ago, you came and did not wait for the invitation that we were going to send you; we send that now, brethren; come again. Our lodges are always waiting to welcome our brethren from everywhere, but from nowhere more freely, more faithfully or more lovingly than from the Grand Jurisdiction of Illinois—come down and see us, brethren.

R.W. Bro. Galusha A. King, Grand Chaplain of the M.W. Grand Lodge of Kansas, was introduced by the Grand Master, and was accorded the Grand Honors.

He spoke as follows:

Most Worshipful Grand Master, and Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Illinois:

It always gives me great pleasure to meet with a Masonic lodge, whether it be one of the smallest, weakest lodges of my own, or any any other jurisdiction, or with my own or any other Grand Lodge, and I bring to you today the fraternal greetings of the Sun Flower State, the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Kansas, and if any of you in the future find it convenient to meet with us at any time, I assure you of a most hearty welcome.

The time is approaching when you will be called from labor to refreshments, and I will not take your time to make an address, but to welcome you to our home, and thank you for the welcome that I have received this morning.

REPORT-Committee on Finance.

R.W. Bro. S. O. Spring, chairman of the Committee on Finance, presented the report of this committee. 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 the R.W. Grand Treasurer and find the same to have been kept in their usual systematic and comprehensive manner. That all the moneys due the M.W. Grand Lodge have been received, properly entered on 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 desire to congratulate the Grand Lodge on the efficient manner in which the duties of their respective officers have been performed by the R.W. Grand Secretary and R.W. Grand Treasurer.

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 October 3, 1910	
Total Credit by paid mileage and per diem orders— Officers and Committees	\$126,596,80 66,972.52
Balance to credit of General Fund	.\$ 59.624.28
CHARITY FUND.	
Cash balance on hand last report	
Total	
Balance to credit of Charity Fund	10 . 0
Cash received from R.W. Grand Secretary	
Total	1 122
Balance to credit Home for the Aged Fund	\$ 320,00
Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home Fund. Balance on hand last report	\$ 4570.24
Received from R.W. Grand Secretary	
Total	
Balance to credit Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home Fund	1\$1,005.00

MASONIC HOME FUND.

Balance on hand per last report\$265.20)
By vouchers paid since last report)
Leaving no balance in this fund.	

Your committee find the par value of investment securities in the several funds to be as follows:

Charity Fund\$ 8	00,00
Orphans' Home Fund 47.5	00.00
Home for Aged Fund 8.0	00.00

Total\$56,300.00

SUMMARY.

Bonds and securities on hand all funds\$	56,300.00
Cash on hand all funds	99,125.31

Total assets in Treasury\$155,425.31

Your committee recommends, first: that the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) be transferred from the General Fund to the Charity Fund.

Second: That appropriations be made from the Charity Fund as follows:

For the maintenance and support of the Masonic Orphans Home

at LaGrange for the ensuing year the sum of\$16,000.00 For the maintenance and support of the Illinois Masonic Home

at Sullivan for the ensuing year the sum of...... 24,000.00

Above appropriations to be paid as follows: One-half October 14, 1911; one-fourth on March 1, 1912, and the remaining one-fourth on July 1, 1912.

All unexpended balances to be covered into the Grand Lodge treasury.

We also recommend additional appropriations to be paid from the General Fund, the Home for the Aged Fund and the Masonic Orphans' Home Fund as follows:

MASONIC HOME AT SULLIVAN.

For repairs and alterations of present buildings	\$2,900.00
Deep well water supply	5,450.00
Soft water supply, cistern plant	
Stock and agricultural implements	3 600 00

MASONIC ORPHANS' HOME AT LAGRANGE,

For reimbursement of J. A. Steele, Treas., account overdrafts.\$2,	085.46
For building fund to complete payments on building 1,	500.00
For additional furnishings and equipment	500.00

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. All unexpended balances to be covered into the Grand Lodge Treasury.

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 miscellaneous printing	1,000.00
For printing and distributing proceedings	3,200.00
For salaries of Grand Officers	6.000.00
For Schools of Instruction	1,200.00
For miscellaneous expenses	4,600.00

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Total	 	\$30,000.00

Your Committee also 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. C. S. Gurney, services as Grand Tyler	100.00
Bro. C. S. Gurney, sundry expenses	106.93
Bro. Z. T. Griffin, stenographer	50.00
Bro. Geo. A. Stadler, Deputy Grand Secretary	25.00
Oriental Consistory, rent	300.00

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Your committee further submits the following recommendations, to-wit:

- 1. 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.
- 2. 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.

3. That the R.W. Grand Secretary be authorized to have printed 1,000 copies of the list of all Masonic Lodges.

Referring to the recommendations of the M.W. Grand Master regarding the disposition of the Cherry Mine Fund, beg leave to report that as this fund was contributed by only a part of the lodges for a special purpose, that it would be an injustice to those contributing to retain this fund for emergency use, and therefore recommend that the committee having the same in trust be requested to return the amounts in full to foreign lodges and to distribute the balance *pro rata* to the several Illinois Lodges contributing the same.

Your Committee have also given the recommendation of the M.W. Grand Master regarding the Washington Memorial contribution due consideration. While we appreciate the worthiness of the purpose and the fraternal and noble spirit which prompted the recommendation, yet the financial condition of the Grand Lodge at the present time is such that we feel compelled to recommend that no appropriation be made for this purpose at this time.

Fraternally submitted,

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

Committee.

RESOLUTION.

M.W. Bro. Owen Scott offered the following resolution. It was referred to the Committee on Finance.

WHEREAS, The supply of both the Book of Ceremonials and the Book of Constitutions and Laws is exhausted; and

Whereas, A number of decisions have been adopted by the Grand Lodge which are not contained in the Blue Book; therefore, be it

Resolved. That a committee of three be appointed to revise the Blue Book by inserting in proper places the several decisions now in force, and to correct any errors in the Book of Ceremonials; and be it further

Resolved. That when so corrected two thousand copies of the Blue Book and three thousand copies of the Book of Ceremonials be printed and distributed as heretofore and the surplus held by the Grand Secretary to be sold to individuals and lodges.

Resolved. That wherever the word "subordinate" occurs applying to lodges that the word "constituent" be substituted, and where the word "order" occurs that the word "fraternity" be used.

ORATION.

The R.W. Grand Orator, Rev. W. W. Wilson, delivered the annual oration. R.W. Bro. Elmer E. Beach moved that the thanks of the Grand Lodge be extended the Grand Orator for his learned, eloquent, and instructive oration, and that it be printed in the proceedings. Adopted.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

From the time when the barbarians over-ran Southern Europe and destroyed the great Roman Empire, at the beginning of the fifth century, until the day when Martin Luther, in the year 1517, nailed his remarkable thesis upon the church door of Wittenburg, there occurred the greatest overturning and wrecking of civilization ever known in the history of the world. During the thousand years there were many readjustments and the gathering together and melting of various influences that brought about the marvelous progress beginning with the sixteenth century and continuing to this day. The old civilization apparently was destroyed. The early period is called the Dark Ages. Everywhere there was a disturbance of conditions that seemed to overturn all that was good and substantial in the past. Fear entered the hearts of those who were moved with thoughts of the welfare of mankind as well as for their own safety. Society divided into classes that brought some people into prominence but crushed the multitudes with conditions of hard servitude. Adventurers abounded and lawlessness prevailed, leading to cruelty and oppression. In the midst of all this, there were men having in their hearts the welfare of their fellowmen, who endeavored to save some treasures from the wrecks of the past.

The Christian Church, at the beginning of the fourth century, through the favor of the State, obtained a position and influence that received recognition everywhere. While civil governments were overturned and the State was divided into petty kingdoms leading to the feudal system, the church maintained its integrity. The religious orders were instrumental in restoring much that had been lost and saved the remnant of society from threatened destruction. They delved into the ruins, searched into the various corners and nooks of the old civilizations and preserved many treasures of the past. The Christian Church became, in those perilous times, the saving influence for modern civilization; through it people were stimulated with ideas of religious duty leading to the development of architecture and the building of the great cathedrals of Europe. There was awakened a

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general desire to erect buildings appropriate to the worship of God, which should vie in splendor with anything to be found in the history of the world. From the magnificent temple of Saint Sophia, or the Temple of Wisdom at Constantinople to the wonderful Cathedral of St. Peter's at Rome, the efforts of inspired architects and devoted workmen produced beautiful temples, the building of which preserved the arts and sciences and promoted a feeling of brotherhood among those engaged in the work.

In connection with these remarkable buildings, associations of workmen were formed for protection and mutual helpfulness. There were no railroads or the conveniences of communication and transportation that we have today, consequently these guilds, or associations of workmen were formed with obligations of faithfulness and signs of recognition that enabled them to become known as they traveled from place to place. The church encouraged these guilds, and co-operated with them. Various religious teachers entered into these bodies of operative workmen, showing sympathy, and encouraging them. A great brotherhood was formed thereby with rituals and ceremonies gathered from christian teaching and through tradition from all quarters of the world, embodying valuable lessons and expressions that have been largely preserved even to this day. We have in Freemasonry an association or brotherhood that can trace back its origin to those brotherhoods or guilds whereby we seek to bring all the nations of the world together, and to elevate mankind to higher and nobler relations.

These guilds exercised an influence for good and grew to such proportions that it became evident they would soon control society and exercise an influence in the conduct of public affairs under the various forms of government. The church authorities realizing this development, sought to bring these organizations into abject submission to ecclesiastical control. The brotherhood objected and assumed an independent attitude. Therefore differences arose between these guilds and the authorities of the church. About this time monks went through the country preaching the great importance of recovering from the Turks and restoring to Christian influence the Holy Land and the Temple of God. A series of crusades ensued that became an expression of religious enthusiasm. They were more or less successful, but finally defeated in their great purpose.

These marvelous crusades, however, were the means of awakening the people everywhere to a greater regard for their common interests and their common welfare. The crusades brought people together from all parts of Europe. Chivalrous orders were formed that

attained great wealth and power. The brotherhood of the guilds was strengthened and grew into the lodges of operative Masons.

Consequently the opposition increased between these fraternities and the powers of the church. The orders came forth in all their beautiful rituals, first endorsed by the church—built up through the preaching of the church, and regarded as important adjuncts, but now grown too large to be in a position of subjection. They rebelled, refusing to submit to the power that was exercised over them. The Church took an attitude of opposition, and endeavored to suppress them. Persecution followed; the different lodges were destroyed or driven into secrecy. Members were put to death or scattered everywhere.

In the cathedrals in Great Britain there are some evidences of the associations of the past, and the continuance in some degree of the lodges of operative Masons. They held to the teachings of the old guilds and entertained the hope they might come forth in future times and revive again the idea of brotherhood, that was set forth so beautifully when the cathedrals were built and the workmen realized the value of co-operation and brotherly love.

We are told that the secret organizations of operative Masons existed throughout Great Britain until the year 1703, when they developed into lodges of speculative Freemasons.

The latest information we have of any of the old associations or guilds of operative Masons is in the case of St. Paul's Cathedral in the city of London. There were four lodges associated in this great building. Sir Christopher Wrenn, the architect, opposed the continuance of this association of workmen in the form of speculative Masonry, and opposed bitterly the admission of men who were not necessarily of the building craft. Consequently for a number of years the whole idea of the brotherhood of Freemasonry seemed to fail. After his death there arose a new set of men who obtained the leadership and the lodges came together, so that in 1717 a Grand Lodge of Freemasons was formed in England, preserving what had been handed down of the teachings of the old brotherhood and perpetuating the organizations of the guilds in modern Freemasonry with the beautiful form and character it maintains today. Therefore we can say that Masonry is both Ancient and Modern. It is modern in its present day aspects, but it is ancient in many of the examples and symbols of truth and traditions of the past, that are now embodied in the various forms and teachings of our rituals. It is therefore a very happy thought that in this great Jurisdiction of Illinois, our Grand fraternity is known as Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. The organization is ancient in the sense that it binds together in brotherly relations much of the teachings of ancient nations in all countries of the world. So we will say today, as we look back upon the history of our Great Brotherhood, or go away back into the past, that the beginnings of Freemasonry are lost in the distance; we may say we can trace some of our forms and ceremonies through the history of Greece, and it is so. We may say we can trace our forms and ceremonies to Assyria; we can point to their origin in the aged and glorious Egypt, and say they began when the Great Pyramid was built; we can look back to Persia and ancient India; we can say that we came from Moses and King Solomon and find traditions from the great Order of Melchizedek. The truth is the thousand years of mediaeval Europe were a time of great merging of influences that survived, and the bringing in and moulding together of learning and tradition from different nations. The barbarians of the North brought treasures and customs to be infused into the life of Southern Europe; and wanderers came from the east with contributions toward the civilization of the renewed Europe. The combination of all these brought about the conditions of modern Masonry. It has therefore an ancient beginning, is ancient in much of its teachings, forms and ceremonies, holding in modern civilization a position of influence as a strong institution for the preservation of truth and righteousness.

When Napoleon Bonaparte accomplished his conquest of Egypt, as his army drew near the Great Pyramids, he looked upon those marvelous structures of architecture and cried out to his followers, "Soldiers, from the summits of yonder pyramids, forty ages survey your conduct; act like heroes."

Oh, my brethren, today from the pyramids of all antiquity, from the great structures of architecture reared in all lands; from the spires and domes, everywhere pointing heavenward, we have the ages looking down on our conduct; act like heroes.

There are certain landmarks in the fraternity that have been transmitted to us, as necessary principles. Of these landmarks three stand out conspicuously. First, every Mason must believe in God, the Great Architect of the Universe. Secondly, candidates must believe seriously in the immortality of the soul. Thirdly, the Bible is an indispensable object displayed in every lodge. These are three of the principal landmarks of Ancient Free and Accepted Masonry today. We preserve them with all the sacred associations and beautiful ceremonies connected with the history of our Order. These principles involve the elevation of mankind, and the fulfillment of duty. There is something more to live for than the mere existence of this present time. The Great Architect of the Universe is working a great pur-

pose through spiritual building. There is a guiding light upon our pathway and it is a great light in Masonry. We stand for these principles today, with all the accumulated history, the combined knowledge, and the concentrated wisdom that have come down to us through the ages. Our institution is most extensive. The Church alone can stand face to face with us in a general way. Are we conscious of our position? Are we sure of what it implies? We are a great power for good in proportion as we are true. We stand with a double influence, acting upon our fellowmen and upon our national institutions. Great problems face us, great opportunities are before us, such as will try to the utmost the quality of our faith. We live in days when the development of society and the progress of civilization present to us great questions and great possibilities, leading us on to great crises that may reach to the very foundation of life. We must have good men in power. Can we be equal to what is presented to the world in our great body? Where do wo stand today? Here in this grand nation we are favored; here we are surrounded with conditions that should stimulate us for all of the work that devolves upon us. How do we come up to the character of our great institution? We have great national questions pressing upon us. Society is working out great problems, and is calling upon us to exercise the goodwill we profess. What are we doing for social conditions? Are we coming up to the brethren of ancient times? Are we doing our part as members of our fraternity? Do we, today, act as a great organization of men, bound together by great obligations, standing together for the good of society, and the welfare of the nation? Oh, my brethren, these are serious questions for us to consider. There are great aggregations that involve our interests commercially and socially. There are conflicts between Labor and Capital, between various trades and occupations and we are involved in the struggle. What is our duty, brethren, as Masons, faithful to obligations? Do we stand distinctly for the good and true in the midst of this great aggregation that may involve all our life in time and eternity? Think, my brethren, what it would mean, if the members of the Masonic Fraternity throughout this land stood together faithfully for truth and righteous-What a power we could be for good if we were thus united. It is contrary to our obligations if we ever engage in movements or schemes that sacrifice principle for self-interest. Let us be honest about it. We are not here for the purpose of simply meeting one another socially and indulging in empty sentiments; we are not here to discuss platitudes and talk wisely about what the world should be, but we are here to show our manhood, righteous principles; we sympathize with all those who are struggling

against wrong. We would find no difficulty in harmonizing the conflicting elements in business conditions, industrial disputes and economic questions if we would exemplify in our lives what we rehearse, and express as we come together in our fraternal meetings. The difficulty is we are deceived by the false notion of life that affects generally the whole human race. That is the idea that we can profess certain things, observe certain forms and maintain certain principles, but need not carry them out. There is great difficulty in leading people to be consistent with principle. There is much criticism of Church members who are inconsistent. Brethren, there is hypocrisy in Masonry today.

There is bitter opposition to our fraternity, which is largely due to the fact that while professing what we mean to do and making outward manifestation of what we believe, there are many who are untrue in private life. We need in our brotherhood men who set forth truth both in light and in darkness. We can walk through a garden in the broad sunlight of day and see beautiful flowers on every hand, their sweetness and loveliness filling us with admiration. Darkness may come on and we can pass through that same beautiful garden, and inhale the fragrance that still tells us the flowers are there in all their loveliness. So we should have the Mason true in the daylight and also in the night.

Foremost in the great march of civilization and developing ever increasing opportunities for the advancement of all mankind, our great republic requires a high grade of citizenship. We are leading the nations in mitigating the horrors of war and promoting the spirit of universal peace. Let us therefore stand firmly for our principles.

The peace of the world depends largely upon the influence of the various Masonic bodies who are developing true expressions of fraternity, and good will in all lands.

"Ring in the valiant man and free The larger heart, the kindlier hand, Ring out the darkness of the land, Ring in the Christ that is to be."

But my brethren, there is another great subject that meets us today. That is the relation of Freemasonry to the Church. It is a subject we generally avoid, but it ought to be considered seriously because it is growing in importance, as our fraternity is increasing in numbers. Some people regard the organizations as opposed to each other, whereas they should be in perfect sympathy and co-operate for the good of mankind. Freemasonry does not directly oppose any religion. It does not endorse or condemn any Church and is not concerned about the different forms of belief, but is helpful to a true and intelligent religion. Our teachings necessarily endorse freedom of conscience and religious liberty. We are opposed to ecclesiasticism and religious tyranny. Whenever these threaten the welfare of the State or the integrity of our free institutions the Masonic fraternity should be united against them.

With a spirit of heroism worthy of our heritage and a devotion to the truth consistent with our teachings, let us, to the point of sacrifice, stand nobly for the right as God gives us to see it.

Amid the marvelous progress that is rushing onward with accelerating speed toward great achievements and hurrying events, forward to the accomplishment of glorious ends, we know not what crises may arise demanding all our energies. Great duties press upon us now. The times are fraught with the greatest possibilities for time and eternity, putting to the test our courage and trying to the uttermost the quality of our faith.

We are living, we are dwelling
In a grand and awful time;
In an age on ages telling
To be living is sublime;
Hark! the waking up of nations,
Gog and magog to the fray;
Hark! what soundeth? Is creation
Groaning for its latter day?

Wil! ye play, then, will ye dally
With your music and your wine?
Up! it is Jehovah's rally!
God's own arm hath need of thine.
Oh! let all the soul within you
For the truths go abroad!
Strike! let every nerve and sinew
Tell on ages, tell for God.

CALLED OFF.

At 12:45 p. m. the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 9 o'clock Thursday morning.

THIRD DAY.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, A. D. 1911, A. L. 5911. 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 the Grand Chaplain.

The minutes of Wednesday's session were read and approved.

REPORT-Committee on Credentials.

The Committee on Credentials presented their detailed report, which was adopted. The summary is printed here; the detail in the Appendix.

SUMMARY.

Grand Officers present	10
Past Grand Officers not otherwise enumerated	I
Representatives of other Grand Lodges not otherwise enumerated	15
District Deputy Grand Masters	48
Members of Committees	5.3
Representatives of Lodges	959
Total	1095
Number of lodges represented	-61

REPORT-Committee on Mileage and Per Diem.

The Committee on Mileage and Per Diem presented their report in detail. It was adopted; the detailed report will be found in the Appendix.

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 this session of the Grand Lodge and have vouched for them to the Grand Tyler.

Dated at Chicago, Ill., this 12th day of October, 1911.

S. S. BORDEN,
A. H. SCROGIN,
R. F. MORROW,
LAWRENCE C. JOHNSON,
J. M. HANNUM,

Committee.

REPORT—Special Committee.

R.W. Elmer E. Beach presented the report of the Special Committee on the Mount Greenwood Cemetery matter. It was adopted.

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

Your Committee to whom was referred the proposition of the Mount Greenwood Cemetery Association to deed to this Grand Lodge a lot in Mount Greenwood Cemetery with provision for its perpetual care without expense to the Grand Lodge, beg leave to report that in the limited time at their disposal, they were unable to make a sufficiently thorough investigation of the proposal to warrant the committee in recommending either its acceptance or rejection.

The Committee, therefore, recommend that a committee consisting of residents of the city of Chicago be appointed to report at the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, after making a thorough investigation and examination of the proposition.

ELMER E. BEACH, H. A. SNELL, J. W. HAMILTON,

Committee.

REPORT—Special Committee.

R.W. Bro. W. A. Dixon presented the report of the Committee on Loose Leaf Sheets. It was adopted.

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

Your Committee to whom was referred the resolutions introduced at the last session of this Grand Lodge by Right Worshipful Bro. R. H. Wheeler as to the advisability of using the Loose Leaf Ledger as a subsidiary book in conjunction with the bound record, respectfully report:

That we have carefully considered the matter and are of the opinion that the decision rendered by the Grand Master in 1906—that "this style of book is inconsistent with the requirements and that its use is necessarily prohibited," was intended to apply not only to the "Minute Book," but also to such other books as the Officers of the Constituent Lodges usually use in connection therewith. We are, therefore, of the opinion that no action of the Grand Lodge with reference to this matter is necessary.

ISAAC CUTTER, W. A. DIXON, HENRY T. BURNAP,

Committee.

RESOLUTION.

Bro. Edward R. Roe presented the following resolution on United Charities. It was adopted.

Resolved, That the Most Worshipful Grand Master be hereby authorized and empowered to appoint a committee to meet with similar committees from the Grand Chapter, Grand Council and Grand Commandery for the purpose of formulating a plan for united charity of the Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter, Grand Council and Grand Commandery of the State of Illinois and that the said committee report their actions and recommendations to this Grand Lodge at its next annual communication.

REPORT-Committee on Finance.

Bro. Thos. A. Stevens presented the following report from the Committee on Finance. It was adopted.

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

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred the resolution offered by R.W. Bro. Owen Scott, providing for the revision of the Blue Book and the printing of 2,000 copies of the same and 3,000 copies of the Book of Ceremonials, beg leave to report that we concur in the recommendation and recommend its adoption.

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

Finance Committee.

RESOLUTION.

The following resolution was presented by Bro. Roswell T. Spencer. It was adopted.

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to insert in the proceedings of this session of the Grand Lodge of Illinois half-tone portraits of Bro. John Corson Smith, Past Grand Master, and Bro. Charles Fisher, Past Deputy Grand Master.

INVITATION.

The representative of Palmyra Lodge No. 643 invited the Grand Lodge to be present with them on November 8th, to witness the conferring of the sublime degree on seven brothers. The invitation was accepted and ordered printed in the proceedings.

$\label{eq:REPORT-Special} \textbf{REPORT---Special Committee}.$

The special committee appointed to consider matters suggested in Grand Master's Report offered the following:

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

The Committee appointed to present to this Grand Lodge such proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-laws of this Grand Lodge, as will give effect to divers recommendations of the Grand Master, respectfully submit the following:

Amend Section 6, Article 13, Part 1, of Grand Lodge By-laws, so that said section will read as follows:

"Sec. 6. The Grand Officers designated in Article 5 of the Constitution, and such Past Grand Masters, Past Deputy Grand Masters and Past Grand Wardens, as shall be present and shall be members of constituent lodges in Illinois (provided that if any such permanent member in attendance on the sessions of the Grand Lodge, be at the time, a sojourner outside of Illinois, his mileage shall be computed from the location of his lodge) each member of a standing committee, and one representative, from each lodge under this jurisdiction, shall be allowed five cents per mile, going and returning, for every mile traveled from the location of his lodge, to be computed by the necessarily traveled route and (except the Grand Master, Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary) two dollars per day for each day's actual attendance on the Grand Lodge, or its Committees. Provided that no one shall receive mileage or per diem in more than one capacity."

Amend Article 3, Part 2, of the Grand Lodge By-laws, by adding thereto a new section, to be known as "Section II."

"Section II. All correspondence of lodges with foreign masonic bodies, except in cases of emergency, shall be conducted through the Grand Master of this Grand Lodge."

Amend Section 1, Article 26, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-laws:

Section 1. There shall be but one representative of a lodge, in this Grand Lodge; such representative shall be the master, or either of the wardens, with priority according to their respective ranks. In the absence of all such officers, then their written proxies, with priority, as above, shall be recognized.

Amend Section 2, Article 8, of the Constitution, so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows:

"Section 2. In all elections and in all questions before the Grand Lodge, each lodge shall be entitled to one vote, the Grand Master to one vote, the Deputy Grand Master to one vote, each Grand Warden to one vote, the Grand Treasurer to one vote, the Grand Secretary to one vote, each Past Grand Master to one vote (the Past Deputy Grand Masters to one vote collectively, the Past Grand Wardens to one vote collectively, and the Past Masters to one vote collectively). No representative of a lodge shall vote as a Grand Officer."

Amend Article 2 of the Constitution, so that said article, when amended, will read as follows:

"The Grand Lodge shall consist of a Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden, Junior Grand Warden, Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, Grand Chaplain, Grand Orator, Deputy Grand Secretary, Grand Pursuivant, Grand Marshal, Grand Standard Bearer, Grand Sword Bearer, Senior Grand Deacon, Junior Grand Deacon, four Grand Stewards, Grand Tyler, fifty District Deputy Grand Masters, together with the Representatives of the Chartered Lodges, duly constituted under its jurisdiction, and such Past Grand Masters, Past Deputy Grand Masters, Past Grand Wardens, and Past Masters, as shall be present and are members of subordinate lodges in Illinois.

"No Grand Officer shall officiate in the station to which he may be elected until he has been legally installed."

Amend subdivision 3. Section 1, of Article 9, Part One, of the Bylaws, so that said subdivision, when amended, will read as follows:

"3. To require from each brother presenting himself as a proxy, a written commission, signed by the proper officer of the lodge which he represents."

Amend Subdivision 9, of Section 1, of Article 11, of the Constitution, so that said subdivision, when amended, will read as follows:

"9. Establish a mileage and per diem rate for its officers, the representative from each lodge, and its Standing Committees, not exceeding five cents per mile, each way, and two dollars per day.

A. H. Bell, Owen Scott, Sidney S. Breese,

Committee.

The proposed amendments to the Grand Lodge By-Laws were severally seconded by Representatives of more than twenty lodges and lie over until next year.

The proposed amendments to the Constitution being severally duly seconded, go to the lodges for action.

THANKS-To Special Committee.

The following was presented from the Special Committee on amending charter, and it was adopted.

In view of the most valuable services rendered to this Grand Lodge by Senator Frank W. Burton, of Carlinville, and Representative Franklin S. Catlin, of Chicago, and other members of the General Assembly of Illinois. in securing the passage of the law removing the limitation of the amount of property to be held by the Grand and Constituent Lodges of Illinois, it is most fitting that this Grand Lodge should express its sense of deepest gratitude to these members of the General Assembly of Illinois.

The Grand Secretary is, therefore, instructed to convey to these distinguished brethren the thanks of the Grand Lodge of Illinois.

> A. H. Bell. OWEN SCOTT. SIDNEY S. BREESE,

> > Committee.

INTRODUCTION—Of Representatives.

The M.W. Grand Master presented and introduced the Representatives of Other Grand Lodges near the Grand Lodge of Illinois. They were accorded Grand Honors

C. E. Allen, Alabama

H. A. Snell, Alberta.

Monroe C. Crawford, Arizona.

Roswell T. Spencer, Arkansas.

S. O. Spring, Canada.

Albert Rouillier, Colorado.

C. F. Hitchcock, Connecticut.

L. A. Goddard, Dist. Columbia. John C. Smith, Jr., England.

Charles H. Parkes, Florida.

Robert R. Jampolis, Idaho.

Robert J. Daly, Ireland.

Geo. M. Moulton, Kansas.

Godfred Langhenry, Louisiana.

Amos Pettibone, Maine.

Hugh R. Stewart, Manitoba.

M. Bates Iott, Maryland.

Joseph E. Dyas, Michigan.

Ralph H. Wheeler, Minnesota.

Franklin S. Catlin, Mississippi.

John F. Campbell, West Virginia.

David D. King, Wisconsin.

G. A. Stadler, Missouri.

A. B. Ashley, Montana.

Albert Jampolis, Nebraska.

H. E. Hamilton, New Hampshire.

Isaac Cutter, New York.

Chas. S. DeHart, New S. Wales.

W. O. Butler, New Zealand.

D. D. Darrah, Oklahoma,

John Johnston, Quebec.

J. R. Ennis, Queensland.

A. B. Wicker, Rhode Island.

James A. Steele, Saskatchewan.

Archibald Birse, Scotland.

Elmer E. Beach, South Carolina.

Harry W. Harvey, Tasmania.

Alexander H. Bell, Tennessee.

I. H. Todd, Vermont.

Frank W. Burton, Virginia.

Henry T. Burnap, West. Australia.

M.W. Bro. Monroe C. Crawford was asked to respond for the Representatives and spoke as follows:

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

I have been very highly honored by the Grand Master and these Representatives, in being called upon to respond to the Grand Lodge for them in their names, and in the names of the different Grand Jurisdictions that they represent. I thank you for the very cordial reception that you have given us here this morning, and each representative will be glad and more than pleased to report to their Grand Jurisdictions the hearty reception that they have received from the greatest Grand Lodge in the United States of America, or in the world.

GRAND OFFICERS.

The Grand Secretary read the list of elected and appointed officers.

DELMAR D. DARRAH, M.W. Grand Master. HENRY T. BURNAP, R.W. Deputy Grand Master. RALPH H. WHEELER, R.W. Senior Grand Warden. Austin H. Scrogin, R.W. Junior Grand Warden. LEROY A. GODDARD, R.W. Grand Treasurer. ISAAC CUTTER, R.W. Grand Secretary. JOSEPH C. NATE, R.W. Grand Chaplain. ALEXANDER H. BELL, R.W. Grand Orator. GEO. A. STADLER, W. Deputy Grand Secretary. T. S. Browning, W. Grand Pursuivant. J. L. Brewster, W. Grand Standard Bearer. GEORGE N. TODD, W. Grand Sword Bearer. S. S. BORDEN, W. Senior Grand Deacon. HARRIS LEVY, W. Junior Grand Deacon. CHAS, F. TENNEY, W. Grand Steward. H. S. Albin, W. Grand Steward. G. W. TIPSWORD, W. Grand Steward. ED. WILLETS, W. Grand Steward. CHESTER S. GURNEY, Bro. Grand Tyler.

INSTALLATION.

M.W. Bro. Albert B. Ashley, assisted by M.W. Bro. Charles F. Hitchcock, as Grand Marshal, installed the officers.

Preceding the installation of M.W. Bro. D. D. Darrah as Grand Master, Bro. Ashley spoke as follows:

BRETHREN:—I would not inflict upon you the reading of a portion of the Installation Ceremony, but many years ago I had the honor of the acquaintance of the father of him whom we will install this morning as your Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Alexander T. Darrah. I first met him at the first School of Instruction that I ever attended in 1875, and there were but few schools held in the State during his lifetime that I did not attend, and meet him, and I came to know and love him. As the Grand Master of this Grand Lodge he commissioned me three times as a Grand Lecturer and commissioned me as Grand Examiner the first time I was appointed to that most honorable position. I am therefore going to ask you to bear with me while I install at least, the Grand Master, Bro. D. Darrah. I want to do this in memory of his father.

The Grand Master elect said:

The M.W. Grand Master and Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Illinois: I hardly know what to say to you at this time. I am deeply sensible of the great honor that you have conferred upon me in electing me as your Grand Master, I once heard Bro. Owen Scott say that he would rather be Grand Master of Masons than to be Governor of the State of Illinois. I have never been Governor of the State. When a man like Bro. Owen Scott says that, it places a very high standard upon the office of Most Worshipful Grand Master. I realize, brethren, that I am standing today where twenty-six years ago my father stood, and there comes to me at this moment, a feeling which almost prohibits my speaking to you. I have taken an obligation, brethren, to administer the affairs of this Grand Lodge according to its By-laws, its Landmarks and its Regulations; I pledge you to do my very best to discharge that trust. I have but one ambition in filling this office, and that is to be of some small service to the great institution of Freemasonry, and if I shall have accomplished that, I shall retire from the office amply satisfied.

M.W. Owen Scott spoke as follows:

Most Worshipful Grand Master, and Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

I have asked the privilege of the M.W. Grand Master to say just a word to you at this time. The installation of Brother Darrah, Grand Master, is an occasion of peculiarly a sacred memory to me. It brings to me sacred memories. Perhaps no one was more intimate, more closely associated with the affairs of the administration of Past Grand

Master Alexander T. Darrah, than myself. At his request I made this boy a Master Mason; I raised him, and I am glad to be here today; and that a number of years afterwards to take him by the hand, because I led him into the Masonic Ranks as a Mason—to take him by the hand as Grand Master of Masons in Illinois.

THANKS-To Past Grand Master.

M.W. Bro. Monroe C. Crawford offered the following resolution and it was carried by a unanimous rising vote.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

I have a little duty to perform that I know will be pleasant to you, because you are interested in it. Our brother, Past Grand Master Ashley has wielded the gavel, and you know how well he has discharged the duties of the office of Grand Master; how patient he has been with all of us; how intelligently he has administered it; and I now move you, that this Grand Lodge return their sincere thanks to him, with all their good wishes to him, for the balance of his journey in life. I move you that these thanks be tendered to Brother Ashley.

PRESENTATION OF JEWEL.

M.W. Bro. Alexander H. Bell spoke as follows in presenting the retiring Grand Master with the Jewel of a Past Grand Master:

Most Worshipful Grand Master, and Brethren:

This Seventy-second Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge is now about to close. You know that in 1840 this Grand Lodge was organized at Jacksonville, Illinois, with a total constituency of something like three hundred men, and within the brief period since then it has grown to its present magnitude, with a constituency of over one hundred thousand Masons, with large assets and responsibilities. This Grand Lodge is in session three days each year. The remainder of the year, the Grand Master is the man on guard. He is the executive and administrative officer of all the affairs of the Grand Lodge. I know that I express the sentiment of all Masons in Illinois when I say that much, very much of our phenomenal growth during the past two years, and the success that has attended all of our affairs, is to be attributed to the zeal, fidelity and ability with which our distinguished brother, Albert B. Ashley, has discharged the duties of his position. This distinguished

brother is likewise my warm personal friend of many years standing. I am proud that I am delegated as your spokesman, brethren, to convey to him the expression of our love, as he retires from his office, and to express to him the hope that the years that come to him, may bring naught but plenty, health and peace.

Brother Ashley, in behalf of this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, as a visible token of its love and appreciation for your distinguished services, I have the honor and pleasure of presenting to you, this Past Grand Master's Jewel. We are all proud to see you wear it. We are proud to know that you deserve it. Wear it, my brother, on all proper occasions with pride and honor while you live, and dying, mention it in your will as a rich legacy unto your children.

M.W. Bro. Ashley responded as follows:

Brother Bell, Most IVorshipful Grand Master, and Brethren:

I cannot express the appreciation I feel for your kindness; I can only thank you sincerely, deeply and most affectionately for this beautiful gift. I could not say more. I shall place it in the front rank of all my earthly possessions and alongside and ranking with the most treasured and valued of all my trophies, my Army Commission signed by Abraham Lincoln. This is not a surprise; I expected it; I knew it was coming, and I have done my best, brethren, to deserve it.

INTRODUCTION.

M.W. Bro. Chas. J. Webb, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kansas, was introduced and accorded the Grand Honors.

He spoke as follows:

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Worthy Past Grand Wardens, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Illinois:

It affords me pleasure to convey to you the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Kansas, and to thank you for this fraternal courtesy extended to that Grand Lodge, through me, as one of its Past Grand Officers. Those of you who have lived in the State of Kansas are to be congratulated. Those of you who have never lived there and never been there, I congratulate you twice; first, that you are so fortunate as to have succeeded as you have without ever having been in that great Commonwealth; second, because you have something to look forward to.

The Grand Lodge of Kansas is a little over fifty-five years old. It has enrolled, legally constituted, 390 Lodges; it has a membership of 36,000. During the past year they showed a net gain of a little over 2,000, and as the population of the entire State of Kansas is a little more than one-half of the population of the State (?) of Chicago we feel that comparisons are at least satisfactory.

The Grand Lodge has in its treasury a balance of nearly \$40,000. Among the Masonic Institutions of the State, of which we are proud, is the Masonic Home, located in the city of Wichita, which own property valued at more than \$100,000, and has expended over \$40,000 in the last two years, disbursed for their indigent Masons, their widows and orphans—\$39,000, and has a balance of \$20,000 on hand at the present time.

I beg to congratulate the Officers elected to perform the high honors that has just been conferred upon them. I likewise congratulate the members of the Grand Lodge, for having the affairs of the Lodge in such competent hands.

Although I am a Past Grand Master of Kansas, my residence at the present time is in Chicago, (a comfortable condition,) and at the same time, my pleasure and interest is to receive fraternal courtesies from many of the lodges here. Likewise to form the acquaintance of such craftsmen as D. D. King, one of your Grand Lecturers; Brother Borden, and many other craftsmen. Therefore, I thank you for the courtesie-that you extended me by a Grand Lodge that is getting larger from year to year. May I extend to you in behalf of the Grand Lodge of Kansas, each of you, the courtesy, and a fraternal invitation to attend upon their convocation. I believe that these fraternal visits are calculated to form that good fellowship and good will that should exist between brethren of our States who speak a common language; who have a common origin; who have a common destiny; who worship a common God and who are engaged in the common field, in the great and God-given cause of Masoury.

AMENDMENT-To By-Laws-Adopted.

R.W. Bro. J. M. Huff called up the amendment to Section 6, Article 20, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws, proposed last year. It was adopted.

The section as amended reads as follows:

Section 6. When a member of a lodge desires to change his membership to another lodge and wishes to know whether he will be ac-

cepted 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 dimits 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.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Grand Secretary read the list of brethren comprising the Standing Committees.

JURISPRUDENCE—M. C. Crawford, C. F. Hitchcock, W. B. Wright, C. E. Allen, A. B. Ashlev.

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES—Jos. E. Dyas, Geo. R. Smith, H. H. Montgomery, A. W. West, Jno. B. Fithian.

Chartered Lodges—P. C. Barclay, John W. Hamilton, Arthur M. Otman, Jas. McCredie, James John.

Lodges U.D.—R. F. Locke, John Johnston, Hugh A. Snell, Emil J. Merki, Albert Jampolis.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM—W. F. Beck, H. T. Goddard, R. F. Morrow, D. W. Starr, Anthony Doherty.

FINANCE-S. O. Spring, Thos. A. Stevens, N. N. Lampert.

Correspondence—Owen Scott.

TRUSTEES OF MASONIC HOMES-Henry W. Berks, R. C. Fletcher.

OBITUARIES-Chas. H. Martin, Geo. E. Carlson, R. G. Bright.

Representative to Washington Memorial Association—A. B. Ashley.

Grand Examiners—Josiah M. Hannum, J. E. Jeffers, E. E. Beach, A. E. Wood, C. L. Gregory.

Special Committee on Revision of Blue Book and Ceremonials—Edward Cook, Wm. E. Edwards, Alonzo Dolan.

Special Committee on Grand Lodge Building—A. H. Bell, C. F. Newkirk, L. C. Johnson, Jno. D. Cleveland, W. E. Fitch.

Special Committee on United Charities—J. B. McFatrich, C. S. DeHart, L. L. Emerson.

Special Committee on Proposition from Mt. Greenwood Cemetery Association—Andrew McNally, Amos Pettibone, W. H. Robson.

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.



DElman D Darrah
GRAND MASTER.

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ATTEST

GRAND SECRETARY

M W. Grand Master's Address— BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS.

APPENDIX

Districts and District Deputy Grand Masters

FOR THE YEARS 1911-12.

District	NAMES.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	COUNTIES COMPOSING DISTRICT.
1	Wm. Wilhartz	Chicago	Lodges Nos. 33, 271, 409, 524, 642, 697 751, 778, 795, 818, 843, 863, 878, 890, 899 914, 924, 944.
2	Harry W. Harvey.	Chicago 7311 Lexington Ave.	Lodges Nos. 81, 277, 410, 526, 643, 711 758, 777, 797, 819, 850, 864, 879, 891, 900 915, 926, 947.
3	Harry A. Dever	Chicago	Lodges Nos. 141, 308, 411, 540, 662, 716 765, 779, 800, 832, 851, 865, 880, 892, 901 916, 927, 949.
4	Albert Roullier	Chicago Fine Arts Building.	Lodges Nos. 160, 310, 422, 557, 669, 717 767, 780, 804, 836, 854, 869, 882, 894, 907 917, 931.
5	David D. King	Chicago 1934 Congress St.	Lodges Nos. 182, 311, 437, 610, 674, 726 768, 783, 810, 839, 855, 873, 887, 895, 908 921, 937.
б	Wm. H.Bied	Chicago	Lodges Nos. 209, 314, 478, 611, 686, 731 770, 784, 813, 841, 860, 875, 888, 896, 909 922, 938.
7	E. C. Tillotson	Chicago	Lodges Nos. 211, 393, 508, 639, 690, 739 774, 789, 815, 842, 862, 876, 889, 897, 913 923, 943.
8	C. J. Wightman	Gray's Lake	McHenry and Lake.
9	James M. Huff	Belvidere	Boone, Winnebago and Stephensor
10	J. L. Brearton	Savanna	Jo Daviess and Carroll.
11	A. Ham'erschmidt	Sycamore	
		Downers Grove	Kane, Kendall and DuPage.
		Sterling	Whiteside and Lee.
		Atkinson	Henry and Rock Island.
		Princeton, R. F. D	
		La Salle	LaSalle.
17	William W. Smith	Joliet	Will and Grundy.
18	W . Ho comb	Rankakee Gibson City	E inip action and Ford
		PeoriaGalesburg	
			Mercer, Warren and Henderson.
		Canton	
		Augusta	
		Delavan	
		McLean	
		Danville	Vermilion.
		Tolono	
		Decatur	
		Springfield	
		Jacksonville	
		Barry	

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS-Continued.

District	NAMES.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	COUNTIES COMPOSING DISTRICT.
33	Emmett Howard	Quincy	Adams.
34	Ralph M. Riggs	Winchester	Calhoun, Jersey, Green, and Scott.
35	E. R. Turnbull	Carlinville	Macoupin.
36	R, E. Gifford	Hillsboro	Montgomery and Bond.
37	A. M. Bloxam	Taylorville	Christian and Shelby.
38	Frank F. Collins	Arcola	Coles, Douglas and Moultrie.
39	H. Gasaway	Martinsville	Cumberland, Clark and Edgar.
40	W. H. Rupe	Olney	Jasper, Crawford and Richland.
41	C.O. Faught	Altamont	Effingham and Fayette.
42	C. N. Hambleton	Jeffersonville	Clay, Marion and Wayne.
		Alton	
44	I. H. Todd	East St. Louis	St. Clair, Monroe and Randolph.
45	D. G. Fitzgerrell	Ewing	Washington, Jefferson, Franklin and Perry.
46	J. R. Ennis	Burnt Prairie	Lawrence, Edwards, Wabash and White.
47	I. A. Foster	New Haven	Hamilton, Saline and Gallatin.
48	M. Ozment	Johnston City	Jackson and Williamson.
			Johnson, Union and Alexander.
50	E. J. Cowling	Metropolis	Hardin, Pope, Massac and Pulaski.

Felix von W-Wysow, room 1, 153 N. LaSalle St., Chicago.
Appointed District Deputy Grand Master for
German speaking lodges in the 2d, 4th, 5th,
2th, and 26th Districts.

GRAND LECTURERS

FOR THE YEAR 1911-1912.

NAME	ADDRESS	NAME	ADDRESS
GRAND EX	AMINERS.	Adam Schmidt	Chicago
Josiah M. Hannum	Lostant	H. E. Van Loon	Chicago
J. E. Jeffers	Arcola	Will C. Stilson	Tampico
E. E. Beach	Chicago	C. J. Wightman	Grays Lake
A. E. Wood	Gibson City	W. H. Bied	Chicago
. L. Gregory	Aledo	Emmett Howard	Quincy
PAST GRAND		W. E. Anderson	Chicago
		D. W. Starr	Raymond
A. B. Ashley	Decatur Bement	Nimrod Mace	Bloomingtor
naries F. Tenney	Chicago	R. G. Bright	Norma
ames John	Chicago	N. B. Carson	
1. S. Hura	Burnt Prairie	David Richards	Chlcago Lawn
R. Euris	Upper Alton	Louis J. Frahm	
A. T. Burnap		Geo. E. Carlson	Moline
1. A. Shell	Litchfield Bridgeport	A. T. Summers	Decatur
. n. Maruu	Farmington	Andrew McNally	Chicago
Emerson Clark	Camp Point	W. P. Jones	Tolona
saac Outter	Camp Point	W. H. Rupe	Olney
M. B. 10tt	Galesburg	W. W. Roberts	Nunda
A. W. West	Carthage	Alva W. Cain	Chicago
maries S. Denart	Carthage	Hiram Vanderbilt	
GRAND LE	CTURERS.	D. D. King	Chicago
C. E. Allen	Galesburg	M. T. Booth	
H. S. Albin	Chicago	E. T. Osgood	
D. E. Bruffett	Urbana		Blue Mound
. H. Todd	E. St. Louis	I .	Decatur
	Rock Island	F. H. Blose	
. M. Willard	Decatur		LaSalle
3. M. Schoemann	McLeansboro		LaSalle
ames McCredie	Aurora		d Ottawa
W. H. Peak	Jonesboro	L. E. Rockwood	
J. N. Hambleton	Jeffersonville		Gibson City
3. A. Lackens	Good Hope		Chicago
A. O. Novander	Chicago	Geo. N. Todd	
	Aurora		ightonChicago
Louis Pickett	Pullman	Floyd Orlando Lorto	
	Clay City	Richard Daniel Mill	
Chas. T. Holmes	Galesburg		LaSalle
C. P. Ross	Jacksonville		sChicago
	Chicago	Zarah S. Saylor	
W. H. Robson	Chicago	H. M. Palmer	
H. W. Harvey	Chicago		Chicago
F. H. Morehouse	Chicago		Chicage
	Downers Grove	Harry A. Dever	
A. Jampolis	Chicago		Chicage
W. A. Dixon	Decatur	Theodore Christens	
	Chicago	James M. Huff	
	Chicago	H. H. Milnor	
	Chicago	H. O. Folrath H. M. Robinson	
	Decatur		
John C. Weis	Peoria	C. H. Thompson	Cair

GRAND LECTURERS-Continued.

NAME	ADDRESS	NAME	AUDRESS
Amos Ball	Gibson City	W. E. Speckman	Ottawa
O. H. Woodworth	Arcola	Louis A. Kaiser	Tonica
R. M. Riggs	Winchester	W. H. Barnard	Ottawa
Otto Brail	Chicago	Thomas E. Quincy	Chicago
Frank F. Collins	Arcola	Charles A Stephenson	Chicago
James F. Boyle	Chicago	Homer D. Jackson	Chicago
John W. Johnson	Chicago	William R. Goodheart	Chicago
J. E. Glathart	Olney	Ebenezer C. Tillotson.	Chicago
David C. Hibbott	Chicago	Hans M. Rachlitz	Chicago
Boyd S. Blaine		David S. Davidson	Chicago
William N. Ewing	McLean	A. A. Bauer	Blue Mound
T. Bryson Strauss	Gibson City	C. A. Stovall	Tuscola
B. I. Pumpelly	Atlanta	John N. Fairchild	Danville
George Edwards	Chicago	Chas, A. Luse	Chicago
Almon Stansberry	Westville	William Scales	Ottawa
Herbert C. Bush	Decatur	Hyman Silverman	Chicago
Frank H. Bradley Pr	inceton R.F.D.	Charles L. Tanner	Saunemin
Lewis A. Brinkman	Chicago	James Porter	Martinville
Albert P. Williams	Chicago	S. C. D. Rea	Valier
Thomas G. Kerwin	Chicago	T. S. Browning	Benton
Elmer Tregay	LaSalle	A. M. Bloxam	Taylorville
Richard B. Prendergast	Chicago	F. W. Froelich	Brighton
Francis M. Cruikshank	Chicago	T. C. Hambleton	
Geo. W. Flood	Rock Island	H. W. Crab	
Sidney S. Pollack	Chicago	J. C. Weatherson	Chicago
J. A. Wesch	Arcola	C. W. Kessler	Pawnee
J. I. Brydon	Martinsville	H. A. Flock	Blue Mound
Benjamin Bing	Urbana	E. R. Turnbull	Carlinville
J. M. Foreman	Palestine	R. C. Clark	Chicago
I. J. McDowell		E.G. Burger	
Oscar Formhals	Ottawa	Charles O. Fought	
Chas. H. Crowell ,	Chicago	S. E. Kain	Ottowa
Adison Hickox	Chicago	D. E. Farr	Aledo
David S. Mellinger		E. J. Tye	
Harry W. Modlin	Chicago	Chas. J. Shaw	
R. C. Peck	Decatur	D. M. Wylie	Galesburg
Maxwell Levy	Chicago	H. A. Craig	Galesburg
Silas Watts		S. B. Harvey	Oak Park
A. J. Winteringham		H. D. Hamper	
Chas. D. Chase	Chicago	Dan G. Fitzgerrell	
W. S. Craig	Sullivan	T. W. Nixon	Saybrook

REPRESENTATIVES

OF THE M. W. GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES.

GRAND LODGE.	REPRESENTATIVE.	RESIDENCE.
Alberta,	Wm. G. Ibbotson	Edmonton
Mahama	W W Daffin	Grove Hill.
rizona	Artemus Louden Grow	Tombstone.
rkanese	Frank L. Wolverton	Blythesdale.
Pritich Columbia	. W. W. Northcott	Victoria.
	Abraham Shaw	Kingston, Ont.
Jalamada	Henry M. Teller	
Olorado	Cas E Domann	Central City.
	Geo. E. Parsons	Norwich.
gupa	Juan B. Hernandez Barreiro	Havana.
gelaware	Geo. M. Jones	Dover.
	L. Cabel Williamson	Washington
england	Walter Henry Harris	London.
lorida	James C. Craver	Sutherland.
leorgia	Wm. H. Chaffee	Tallapoosa.
Holland	Hermon SnydersAlbert B. Moss	Middelberg
daho	Albert B. Moss	Payette.
ndiana	B. M. Wiloughby	Vincennes.
reland	Obadiah Ternan	Enniskillen.
Kansas	Matthew M. Miller	Topeka.
Louisiana	Obas. F. Buck	New Orleans.
Manitoba	John Leslie	Winnipeg.
Maine	William R. G. Estes	Skowhegan.
Maryland	John L. Sanford	
Michigan	Arthur M. Hume	Owosso.
Minnesota	A. T. Stebbins	Rochester.
Micciccinni	Frederic Speed	Vicksburg.
Missouri		Boonville.
MISSOUII	Cornelius Hedges	Helena.
dontana	George H. Thummel	Omaha.
Nebraska	George H. Thummer	The Hague
Netnerlands	Herman Ludyers	
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 Murdock McLean	Brooklyn, N.
New Zealand	Murdock McLean	Auckland
North Carolina	Leo D. Heart	Raleigh
North Dakota	E. George Guthrie	Fargo.
Nova Scotia	Theo. A. Cossman	Halifax.
Ohio	O. P. Sperra	Ravenna.
Oklahoma	Frank W. Anderson	Waurika.
Oregon	W. T. Wright	Union.
Prince Edward Island	Samuel Lowe	Charlo tetown F. E.
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	John Paulding* J. W.	908	James H. Lillie S. W.
	Jesse B. JohnstonW. M.	909	S. A. DeLueW. M.
375	Edgar N. Walker "		W. A. Forward S. W.
376	W. P. Larsen "		F. S. Wolffs J. W. Geo. W. Lawrence W. M.
	M. C. Olson S. W.	910	Geo. W. LawrenceW. M.
	F. E. Lawrence J. W. B. C. Lewis W. M.	911	A. F. Gooch "
377	Wm. F. L. Schwenk "		C. W. JohnsonJ. W.
378	Rasmus HansenS. W.	912	O. P. SpencerW. M.
	Thomas N. Wheatley J. W.	913	H. M. KyleW.M.
379	E. H. CookeW. M.		W. W. Tockey S. W. A. M. Bassford J. W.
3/9	O. C. Temrout S. W.		A. M. Bassford J. W. P. A. Macfarlane W. M.
	G. S. Herrington J. W.	914	O. C. Hayward SW.
38o	John Smith		R. T. Farley J. W.
381	I A Campbell	915	I F Allworth* W M
382	J. H. Norris"	915	I F Allworth* S W
	P. Johnson S. W.	916	J. E. Allworth* W. M. J. E. Allworth* S. W. O. Stangland W. M.
384	W. B. Hopper*W. M. M. R. Jones	917	R. C. Clark
385	M. R. Jones "	9.7	W. M. Gilson J. W.
387	Matthew Drinnan "	918	Riley D. Webb S. W.
388	Samuel M. Fitch "	919	George Neil Blatt W. M.
	Robt. A. Anderson S. W.	1	Jas. C. Beattie S. W.
	Wm. S. Stahl J. W.	920	D. A. Bryant S. W.
389	William Jacob WiedermanW. M.	921	Geo. E. Trebing W. M.
590	Louis Wolfran	-	D. F. Shogren S. W.
392			H. W. Kuetemeyer I. W.
	Joseph W. Kyler* S. W. Charles M. Boney J. W.	922	Oscar L. Carson S. W.
_	Charles M. Boney J. W.	923	Ben D. Mayer S. W.
593	Lincoln Nutt S. W.	924	Francis A. ButlerW. M.
394	Monroe E. WalterW. M.		Robert W. Starr S. W.
	am E. Summers S. W.	925	U. D. LeachW. M. Wm. J. Downey
395	Benjamin Lambert Cohn.W. M. Samuel Wohl S. W.	926	Wm. J. Downey "
		927	R. R. Longenecker J. W.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

GEO. W. CYRUS, N. B. CARSON, W. O. BUTLER,

DETAILED REPORT COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND PER DIEM

The following is a detailed report of the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem:

GRAND OFFICERS.

NAMES.	OFFICE.	Miles	Mileage	Per Diem	Total
A. B. Ashley	M.W. Grand Master		8	8	\$
Delmar D. Darrah	R.W. Dep. Gr. Master				
Henry T. Burnap	R.W. Sr. Gr. Warden				
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
W. W. Weedon	R.W. Gr. Chaplain	187	18 70	6	24 70
W. W. Wilson	R.W. Grand Orator	2	20		4 20
G. A. Stadler	W. Dep. Gr. Sec'y	173	17 30		23 30
N. J. Cary	W. Gr. Pursuivant	94	9 40	6	15 40
	W. Grand Marshal				
James John	W. Gr. Stand. Bearer	1	10		6 10
N. M. Mesnard	W. Gr. Sword Bearer	173	17.30		23 30
Thos. E. Gillespie	W. Sr. Gr. Deacon	280	28 00		34 00
W. H. Peak	W. Jr. Gr. Deacon	330	33 00		39 00
Henry S. Albin	W. Grand Steward	6	60		6 60
C. T. Tenney	W. Grand Steward	153	15 30		2 30
R. G. Bright	W. Grand Steward	126	12 60		18 60
James L, Scott	W. Grand Steward	172	17 20		23 .0
C. S. Gurney	Bro. Grand Tyler	5	50		6 50
H. E Hamilton	Bro. Past S. G. Warden	:2	20	6	6 20

R. W. DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

NAMES.	DISTRICTS.	Miles	Mileage	otal
Hiram Vanderbilt	1st District.	13	\$1 30 \$	6 8 7 30
	2d '	3		6 6 30
Robt. R. Jampolis	3d "			6 6 70
Albert Roullier	4th ''	i		6 6 10
D. D. King	5th "	1		6 6 10
Wm. H. Bied.	6th "	8		6 6 80
E. W. Peterson.	7th "	14		6 7 40
Tay I Propertor	8th "	38		6 9 80
Jay L. Brewster	9th "	78		6 13 80
John L. Brearton	10th "	138		6 19 80
B. A. Cottlow.	11th "	99		6 15 90
J. H. Griffiths	12th "	21		6 8 10
W. C. Stilson	13th "	124		6 18 40
Milton T. Booth	14th ''	152		6 21 20
Francis H. Bradley	15th "	111		6 17 10
R. D. Mills	16th ''	84		6 14 40
Jno. B. Fithian	17th ''	37		6 9 70
N. T. Stevens	18th ''	69		6 12 90
	19th "	110		6 17 00
W. A. Hoover John C. Weis	20th ''	150	11 00	6 21 00
	21st "	163		6 22 30
C. T. Holmes	~15t	1 100	10 30	0 23 80

R. W. DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS - Continued.

NAMES.	DISTRICTS.	Miles	Mileage	Per Diem.	Total
C. L. Gregory Geo. D. Bell E. M. Crain L. W. Lawton H. M. Palmer C. L. Sandusky W. P. Jones A. T. Summers Sidnev D. Breese C. P. Ross W. W. Watson Emmet Howard R. M. Riggs C. H. Burgdorff D. W. Starr Chas. G. Young J. E. Jeffers H. Gas.way W. H. Purpe	22d District 23d " 24th " 25th " 26th " 27th " 28th " 29th " 30th " 33t " 32d " 34th " 35th " 36th " 37th "	176 192 226 157 141 124 137 173 185 263 263 235 220 202 158	\$17 60 19 20 22 60 15 70 14 10 12 40 13 70 17 30 26 30 26 30 22 40 22 40 20 20 15 86	6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6	\$23 60 25 20 28 60 21 70 20 10 18 40 19 70 23 30 24 50 27 50 32 30 29 50 28 40 26 20 21 80 26 20 21 80 24 60
W. H. Rupe. C. O. Fau _k ht L. Caywood Geo. S. Caughlan T. S. Browning J. R. Ennis I. A. Foster W. D. Abney Chas. H. Thompson	40th " 41st " 42d " 43d " 44th " 55th " 48th " 49th " 50th "	231 211 257 580 307 272 297 326 365	23 10 21 10 25 70 28 00 30 70 27 20 29 70 32 60 36 50	6 6 6 6 6 6 6	29 10 27 10 31 70 34 00 36 70 33 20 35 70 38 60 42 50

COMMITTEES.

NAMES.	Miles	Mileage	Per Diem.	Total
APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES. M. C. Crawford J. E. Dyas Geo. R Smith H. H. Montgomery Hugh A. Snell	330 160 126 249 231	\$33 00 16 00 12 60 24 90 23 10	30 30 30	\$ 63 00 46 00 42 60 54 90 53 10
CHARTERED LODGES				
C. F. Hitchcock. C. M. Turner. S. M. Schoemann H. C. Mertz. Phil Barkley	150 154 305 308 365	15 00 15 40 30 50 30 80 36 50	20 20 20	35 00 35 40 50 50 50 80 56 50
CORRESPONDENCE.				
Owen Scott	173	17 30	20	37 30

COMMITTEES-Continued.

NAMES.	Miles	Mileage	Per Diem.	Total
CINED ENWIT LI C				
G. W. Cyrus N. B. Carson W. O. Butler.	241 126 234	\$24 10 12 60 23 40	20	\$ 44 10 32 60 43 40
S. O. Spring	150 4	15 00 40	20	35 00 20 00 20 40
GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS. J. E. Wooters	224 281 94	22 40 28 10 9 40	20 20 20	42 40 48 10 29 40
LODGES UNDER DISPENSATION. H. C. Mitchell. John Johnston I. H. Todd J. W. Hamilton C. H. Marlin F. E. Locke	308 1 281 124 226 3	30 80 10 28 10 12 40 22 60 30	35 35 35 35	65 80 35 10 63 10 37 40 57 60 35 30
MASONIC JURISPRUDENCE. A. H. Bell C. E. Allen Jno. C. Crawford G. Laugbenry.	224 163 330 1	22 40 16 30 33 00 10	20 20	20 42 40 36 30 53 00 20 10
MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.				
W. F. Beck. G. A. Lackens. H. T. Goddard.	231 218 249	23 10 21 80 24 90		53 10 51 80 54 90
OBITUARIES.				
C. W. Harris. A. Doherty. Grant Kirby.	274 242 163	27 40 24 20 16 30	20	47 40 44 20 36 30
PETITIONS.				
F. E. Baldwin C. M. Carpenter S. O. Pearce	215 123 263	21 50 12 30 26 30	20	41 50 32 30 46 30
TO EXAMINE VISITORS. S. S. Borden A. H. Scroggin R. F. Morrow L. C. Johnson J. M. Hannum	7 110 207 139 113	70 11 00 20 70 13 90 11 30	15 15 15	15 70 26 00 35 70 28 90 26 30
SPECIAL COMMITTEES.				
Geo. M. Moulton H. W. Berks W. A. Dixon R. J. Daly James A. Steele R. C. Fletcher	1 128 173 1 176 14	10 12 80 17 30 10 17 60 1 40	20 20 20 20 20	20 10 32 80 37 30 20 10 37 60 21 40
COMMITTEE ON MASONIC HOME.				
D. D. Darrah	126	12 60	20	33 60
H. T. Burnap.	2 59	25 90	20	45 90

REPRESENTATIVES.

LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles	Mileage	Per Diem.	Total
Bodley	1	S. F. Bragg	263	\$ 26 30	\$6	\$32 3 0
Equality	2	Joe Y Bunher	307	30 70	6	36 70
Harmony	3	Truman P. Carter	215	21 50	6	27 50
Springfield	4	Theron J. Kinnear	185	18 50	6	24 50
Friendship	8	Mark C. Keller	$\frac{98}{173}$	9 80 17 30	6	15 80 23 30
Rushville	9	Thos. S. Hodyson	227	22 70	6	28 70
St. John's	13	Harman N. Hackman	100	10 00	6	16 00
Warren	14	J. L. Porter	310	31 00	6	37 00
Peoria	15	C. H. Lefler	150	15 00	6	21 00
Temperance	16 17	Robt. W. Hickman	230	23 00	6	29 00
Macomb	19	S. P. Odenweller	$\frac{203}{188}$	20 30 18 80	6	26 30 24 80
Hancock	20	James Louis Martin	238	23 80	6	29 80
Cass	23	J. P. Warnke	225	22 50	6	28 50
St. Clair	24	Geo. B. Engelman	295	29 50	6	35 50
Franklin	25	Cartisle G. Patterson	259	25 90	6	31 90
Piasa	27	Arthur J. S. trer	257	25 70	6	31 70
Pekin Mt. Vernon	29 31	Jacob A. Schwartz	158	15 80	6	21 80
Oriental	33	K. T Strattan Frank A. West	274 1	27 40 10	6	33 40 6 10
Barry	34	C. E. Beavers	263	26 30	6	32 30
Charleston	35	Fred N. Todd	182	18 20	6	24 20
Kavanaugh	36	A. E. Mongin	144	14 40	6	20 40
Mon outh	37	Dan I. Webster	179	17 90	6	23 90
Olive Branch	38	F. E Kester	124	12 40	6	18 40
HermanOccidental	39 40	Jo-eph W. Sharpe	263	26 30	6	32 30
Mt. Joliet	42	silas Eclipskain	84 37	8 40 3 70	6	14 40
Bloomiugton	43	Nimrod Mace	126	12 60	6	18 60
Hardin	44	James W. Singleton	255	25 50	- 6	31 50
Griggsville	45	G. E. Conroy	246	24 60	6	30 60
Temple	46	A. M. Otman	150	15 00	6	21 00
Caledonia Unity	47 48	W. A. Bohm	368	36 80	6	42 80
Cambridge	49	P. H. Cuiter	36 154	3 60 15 40	6	9 60 21 40
Carrollton	50	A. E. Hoag	249	24 90	6	30 90
Mt. Moriah	51	Walter R. McLean	232	23 20	6	29 20
Benevolent	52	H. D. Berger	238	23 80	6	29 80
Jackson	53	Wm. Taylor	195	19 50	6	25 50
Washington	55	B. B. Holston	277	27 70	6	33 70
Trio Fraternal	57 58	Ca rolton G. Taylor L. B. Tinder	164	16 40	6	22 40 20 60
New Boston	59	E. L. Willetts	146 189	14 60 18 90	4	22 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	H. J. Dygert	51	5 10	6	11 10
Benton	64	Wm. B. Martin	307	30 70	6	36 70
Pacific	65 66	Elj F. Stark C. P. Liken.	29	2 90	6	8 90 20 80
Acacia	67	C. P. Liken. Lyman Sanderson	168 99	16 80 9 90	6	15 90
Eureka	69	Clark H. Smith	170	17 00	6	23 00
Central	71	J. O Holland	185	18 50	6	24 50
Chester	72	Don E. Detrich	331	32 10	6	38 10
Rockton	74		102	10 20	6	:::::
Roscoe	75	C. A. Ransom	86	8 60	6	14 60
Prairie	76- 77	Andrew J. Duggan	224 160	22 40 16 00	6	28 40 22 00
Waukegan	78	Gilbert H. Richards	36	3 60	6	9 60

LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles	Mileage	Per Diem.	Total
Scott	79	Walter C. Shoupe	262	\$26 20	86	\$32 20
Whitehall Vitruvius	80	Alonzo Ellis	240	24 00	6	30 00
De Witt	81 84	nerman kugen	30	3 00	6	9 00
Mitchell	85	Montrose G. Taylor	148	14 80	6	20 - 80
Kaskaskia	86	Don Davis Wm. M. Schuwerk	290 313	29 00 31 30	6	35 00
Mt. Pulaski	87	- Control of the cont	169	16 90	6	37 30
Havana	88	H. J. Borgets	188	18 80	6	24 80
Fellowship	89	A. M. Edwards	326	32 60	6	38 60
Jerusalem Temple	90	W. A. Blessing	37	3 70	6	9 70
Metropolis Stewart	91 92	H. I. Stevis	366	36 60	6	42 60
Toulon	93	Lawrence Yelmgren	159	15 90	- 6	21 90
Perry	95	A. H. Grange	144	14 40	6	20 40
Samuel H. Davis	96	J. R. Sims	$\frac{252}{106}$	25 20	6	31 20
Excelsior	97	Chas. F. Knecht	114	10 60	6	16 60
1 dy 101	98	J. M. Cooper	134	13 40	6	17 40 19 40
Edwardsville	.99	W. Tuston	267	26 70	6	32 70
Astoria	100	Fred G Boden	218	21 80	6	27 80
Rockford	102	J. C. Snow	87	8 70	6	14 70
Magnolia Lewistown	$\frac{103}{104}$	E. R. Spencer	123	12 30	6	18 30
Winchester	105	Walter B. Gillam	194	19 40	6	25 40
Lancaster	106	W. A. Wainwright	235	23 50	6	29 50
versailles	108	E S. Klinefilter	164 246	16 40 24 60	6	22 40
l'renton	109	James L. Wilson	278	27 80	6	30 60 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		104	10 40		
Robert Burns Marcelline	113 114	L. J. Temple	193	19 30	6	25 30
Rising Sun	115	James E. Agard W. H. Studer	271	27 10	6	33 10
Vermont	116	J A. Burgard	46	4 60	6	10 60
sigin	117	C. F. Wm. Schuitz	211	$\frac{21}{3} \frac{10}{70}$	6	27 10
Waverly	118	Chas. W. Lowe	210	21 00	6	9 70 27 00
Henry	119	Elmer Quinn	128	12 80	6	18 80
dound	122	John W. Taylor	202	20 20	6	26 20
Quawka Cedar	123 124	###	202	20 20		
reenup.	125	W. R. Allan Jr. E O. Thomen	62	6 20	4	10 20
Empire	126	Henry Evars	194	19 40	6	25 40
Antioch	127	John A. Thain	158 55	15 80 5 50	6	21 80
kaleigh	128	R. C. Burnett	304	30 40	6	11 50 36 40
reenfield	129	James A. Cravens	252	25 20	6	31 20
farion	130	Joe M. Morrow	249	24 90	6	30 90
lackinaw	131 132	Daniel Lawrence	372	37 20	6	43 2)
farshall		J. E. Argo	146	14 60	6	20 60
ycamore		F. H. Gorham	177	17 70	6	23 70
ima		Ira A. Wetzel	52	5 20	6	11 20
lutsonville	136	C. G. Pearce	276 197	27 60 19 70	6	33 60
olk	137	Orlin J. Davis	305	30 50	6	25 70 36 50
larengo	138	Oren Hopkins	66	6 60	6	12 60
eneva	139	L. T. Wilcox	36	3 60	6	9 60
lney	140	Jacob S. Freeman	231	23 10	6	29 10
	141 142	Will F. Durbin	1	10	6	6 10
ichmond		Henry L. Wood	120	12 00	6	18 00
eKalb		Albert M. Gibbs	63	6 30	6	12 30
. W. Rawson		H. E. Hommema	58	5 80	4	9 80
ee Center	146	Edwin A. Berry	101 95	10 10	6	16 10
layton	147	J. R Moffett	242	$\begin{array}{c c} 9 & 50 \\ 24 & 20 \end{array}$	6	15 50
						30 20
loomfield	148	A. E. Schnitker	147	14 70	6	20.70
mingham	149	F. W. Goodell.	147 199	14 70 19 90	6	20 70 25 90

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Bunker Hill	151	J. L. Clower	250	\$25 00	\$6	§31 00
Fidelity	152	R. N. Clower	240	24 00	6	30 00
Clay	153	H. A. Walker	267	26 70	- 6	32 70
Russell	154	W. M. Nickels	135	13 50	6	19 50
Alpha Delavan	155 156	D. M. Nylie	163	16 30	6	22 30
Uı bana		A. R. Patzer	157	15 70	6	21 70 19 00
McHenry	158	W. G. Spurgin R. G. Chamberlain	130	13 00 4 60	6	10 60
Kewanee	159	C. W. White	46 131	13 10	6	19 10
Waubansia	160	F. N. Escher	1	10	6	6 10
Virden	161	A. S. Allen	207	20 70	6	26 70
Hope	162	S. 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. E. Jaycox	87	8 70	- 6	14 70
Nunda	168 169	C. M. Slife	88	8 80 4 30	0	14 80
Evergreen	170	R. H. Koenig	43	11 40	6	17 40
Girard	171	Jas W. Rey	114 211	21 10	6	27 10
Wavne	172	M. Connell	152	15 20	6	21 20
Cherry Valley	173	W. N. Garrett	84	8 40	6	14 40
ьена	174	D. M. DeGraff	126	12 60	4	16 60
Maiteson	175	D. H. Belden	37	3 70	6	9 70
Mendota	176	J. Scheidenheim	84	8 40	6	14 40
Staunton Illinois Central	177 178	Jas. W. Donaldson	245	24 50	0	30 50
Wabash.	179	Frank K. Jewett	95	9 50	6	15 50
Moweaqua	180	F. E. Wilson	180	18 00 18 60	6	24 00 24 60
Germania	182	Wm. Ahrens	186	20	6	6 20
Meridian	183	F. E. Blakeslee	72	7 20	6	13 20
Abingdon	185	Wm. Brinion	173	17 30	6	23 30
My: tic Tie	187	R. W. Davidson	110	11 00	6	17 00
Cyrus	188	R. H. Wood	128	12 80	4	18 80
Fulton City Dundee.	189 190	Geo Lein	136	13 60	6	19 60
Farmington	192	Thos. Williams	48	4 80 16 90	6	10 80 22 90
Herrick	193	Geo. I. Hubbard	224	22 40	0	44 70
Freedom	194	W. W. Gregg	224 75	7 50	6	13 50
La Harpe	195	Geo. E. Campbell	234	23 40	6	29 40
Louisville	196	Wm. L. Kerr	228	22 80	6	28 80
King Solomon's	197	F. L. Dressell	257	25 70	4	29 70
Homer	199	Geo. H. Spencer	143	14 30	- 6	20 30
Sheba Centralia	200	J. L. Schubert R. E. Vaughn	266	26 60	6	32 60 31 20
Lavely	203	Thos W Draist	252 173	25 20 17 30	6	23 30
Flora	204	Thos. W. Preist	236	23 60	6	29 60
Corinthian	205	Chas. Gibbs	76	7 60	6	13 60
Fairfield	509	N. M. Powell	257	25 70	6	31 70
lamaroa	207	J. E. Norton	280	28 00	6	34 00
Wilmington	208		53	5.30		
Wm. B. Warren	209	W. M. Greer	1	10	4	4 10
Logan Cleveland	210	Jas. E. Jewett	156	15 60	6	21 60
Shipman		Fred Moe	238	23 80	6	$\frac{6}{29} \frac{10}{80}$
Ipava	213	Arthur Brown	203	20 30	6	26 30
Ipava Gillespie	214	J. 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	519	H. J. Rutherford	106	16 60	6	22 60
Mahomet	220 221	Frank E. Bryan	141	14 10	0	20 10
Leroy Geo. Washington	555	John Evanson	135	13 50	0	19 50
Pana	226	B. F. Dowell	134 202	13 40 20 20	6	19 40 26 20
Columbus		J. B. Thomas	250	40 40	0	20 20

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Lovington	228	W. B. Shirey	168	\$16 80	\$ 6	22 80
Manchester	229	L. C. Funk	232	23 20	6	29 20
New Haven	230	Andrew Busau	297	29.70	- 6	35 70
Wyanet	33t	B. L. Hudson	111	11 10	6	17 10
Farmers	232	Chas. R. Ford	373	37 30	- 6	43 30
Blandinsville	233	Geo. F. Lyon	228	22 80	6	28 80
DuQuoin	234	E. E. Thornton	288	28 80	6	34 80
Dallas City	$\frac{235}{236}$	B. K. Peter P. J. Rose	222 231	22 20	6	28 20 29 10
Cairo	237	W. F. Gibson	365	23 10 36 50	6	42 50
Black Hawk	238	O C. McCartney	243	24 30	6	30 30
Mt. Carmel	234	James N. Hughes	249	24 90	0	30 90
Western Star	240	Frank R. Smedley	128	12 80	6	18 80
Shekinah	241	Chester R. Mettert	308	30 80	6	36 80
Galva	243	V. A. Wigsen	139	13 90	6	19 90
Horicon	244	V. A. Wigsen. Fred W. Croft	75	7.50	6	13 50
Greenville	245	Joseph H. McHenry	248	24 80	6	30 80
El Paso	246	J. L. Boner	117	11 70	- 6	17 70
Rob Morris	247	Winfield Scott Morrison	113	11 30	6	17 30
Golden Gate	248	C. F. Everly	186	18 60	6	24 60
Hibbard	249	Speucer G. Brown	246 205	24 60	6	30 60 26 50
RobinsonHeyworth	$\frac{250}{251}$	E. S. Baker L. T. Rutledge,	137	20 50 13 70	6	19 70
Aledo	252	D. E. Farr	176	17 60	6	23 60
Avon Harmony	253	Geo. E. Simmons	183	18 30	6	24 30
Aurora	254	Jas. S. Mitchell	37	3 70	6	9.70
Donnelson	255	W. H. Young	245	24 50	6	30 ±0
Warsaw	257	J. C. Crawtord	248	24 80	6	30 80
Mattoon	260	G. S. McPherson	172	17 20	6	23 20
Amon	261	C. G. Walters	139	13 90	6	19 90
Channahon	$\frac{262}{263}$	Roy McCowau	55 150	5 50	6	11 50 21 00
Illinois Franklin Grove	264	Howard A. Fulford F M. Banker	88	15 00 8 80	6	14 80
Vermilion	265	Nathan Hale	142	14 20	6	20 20
Kingston	266	Floyd D Kelley	265	26 50	6	32 50
La Prairie	267	R. E. Downing	236	23 60	6	29 60
Paris	268	Chas H. Cone	160	16 00	6	22 00
Wheaton	269	John Noah Deis	25	- 2.50	6	8 50
Levi Lusk	270	S P. Prescott	92	9 20	6	15 20
Blaney	271	Albert E. Barker	202	10	6	6 10
CarmiMiners	272 273	T H. Land	282 165	28 20	6	34 20 22 50
Byron	274	C E. Hewitt	83	16 50 8 30	6	14 30
Milton	275	J I. Doss	259	25 90	6	31 90
Elizabeth	276	F. M Fowler	33 ,	33 70	6	39 70
Accordia	277	Aug. H. Kruff	4	40	6	6 40
Jo Daviess	278	J C. Renwick	138	13 80	6	19 80
Neoga	279	E. T. Abercrombie	184	18 40	6	24 40
Kansas	280	Frank S. Anderson	174	17 40	6	23 40
Brooklyn	282 283	Floyd B. Johnson	82 56	8 20	6	14 20 11 60
Catlin	285	C. E. Slye A. Jones Jr	129	5 60 12 90	6	18 90
Plymouth	286	S. M. Talbett, Jr	222	22 20	4	28 20
De Soto	287	Marion Kelley	302	30 20	6	36 20
Genoa	288	Geo D. Pat'erson	59	5 90	6	11 90
Wataga	291	C. W. Merrill	155	15 50	6	21 50
Chenoa,	292	W. A. Chapman	102	10 20	- 6	16 20
Prophe stown	293	Mark Stowell	129	12 90	6	18 90
Pontiac	294 295	Richard A. Young	92	. =0	6	15 20 31 60
DillsQuincy	295 296	W. G. Barnard Bert J. Goodapple	256 263	25 60 26 30	6	32 30
Benjamin	297	J. H. Pittm n	241	24 10	6	30 10
Wauconda	298	D. L. Putnam	40	4 00	6	10 00
Hinckley	301	Archie R. Dewey	57	5 70	6	11 70
Durand.	302	Frank L. Randall	104	10 40	- 6	16 40

Lodge	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles	Mileage	Per Diem.	Total
Raven	303	T. B. Drew	44	\$1.40	*6	\$10 40
Onarga	305	Ira W. Furby	85	8 50	6	14 50
W. C. Hobbs	303	J. F. Page	131	13 10	6	19 10
T. J. Pickett	307	John Leib	192	19 20	6	15 20
Ashlar	3 8	F. J. Arnett	1	10	6	6 10
Harvard Dearborn	309	H. H. Megran	62	6 20	6	12 20 6 30
Kilwinning	311	Robt. W. Parker E. E. Mills'	3	30	6	6 10
Ionic	312	H. F. Walther	1 173	17 30	6 6	23 30
York	313	Albert Matteson	195	19 50	6	25 50
Palatine	314	W. C. Muller	26	2 60	6	8 60
Abraham Jonas	316	John B. Kelley	99	9 90	6	15 90
J. L. Anderson	318	John S. Balton	226	22 60	6	28 60
Doric	319	John S. Balton	164	16 40	6	22 40
Creston	3.0	J. W. Shaw	70	7 00	6	13 00
Dunlap	321	H J. Ludens	121	12 40	6	18 40
Windsor	322	R. W. Turner	184	18 40	6	24 40
Harrisburg	323 325	Tom Jones	68	6 80	6	12 80 36 60
Industry	$\frac{325}{327}$	J. E. Kinkade	306	30 60	6	27 50
Altona	330	A. L. Roby	215 147	21 50 14 70	6 4	18 70
Mt. Erie	331	John Griffin	259	25 90	6	31 90
Tuscola	332	F. A. Burvgraf	150	15 00	6	21 00
Tyrian	333	Fritz Reiger	185	18 50	6	24 50
Sumner	334	D. C. Staninger	236	23 60	6	29 60
Schiller	335	Brano Juerjens	150	15 00	6	21 00
New Columbia	336	C S. Fitch	364	36 40	6	42 40
Oneida	337	M. F. Mirchell	151	15 10	6	21 10
Saline	339	Thos. Morgan	316	31 60	6	37 60
Full Moon	340 341	L. J. Smith	193	19 30	6	25 30 33 30
Summerfield	342	I. C. Duncan	273 283	27 30 28 30	6	34 30
Wenona	344	Chas. H. Huwald	108	10 80	6	16 80
Milledgeville	345	W. P. Hacker	122	12 20	6	18 20
N. D. Morse	346	H. W. Diggits	229	22 90	6	28 90
Sidney	347	C. L. Golden	137	13 70	6	19 70
Flat Rock	348	W. E McClure	213	21 30	6	27 30
Sublette	349	B. H. S. Angear	93	9 30	4	13 30
Fairview	350	B. L. Ten Eyck	193	19 30	6	25 30
Tarbolton	351	A. F. CarserY. T. Kiblinger	98	9 80	6	15 80
Groveland Kinderhook	352 353	1. T. Klulliger	146	14 60	6	20 60 33 00
Ark and Anchor	354	A. C. Bancroft	$\begin{bmatrix} 270 \\ 201 \end{bmatrix}$	27 00 20 10	6 6	26 10
Marine	355	Chas. Loas	256	25 60	6	31 60
Hermitage	356	W. A. Schack	262	26 20	6	32 20
Orion	358	Adolph Kremer	62	6 20	6 1	13 20
Blackberry	359	C. W. Spatding	44	4 40	6	10 40
Princeville	360	A. N. Sloan	149	14 90	6	20 90
Douglas	361	Julius D. Mallina	302	30 20	6	3 6 20
Noble	362	J. S. C. Nichols	239	23 90	6	29 90
Horeb	363	H. L. Kelley	163	16 30	6	22 30
Tonica Bement	364 365	WIII. Da awiii	108	10 80	6	16 80 21 30
Arcola	366	J. A. Wes h	153	15 30 15 80	6	21 80
Oxford	367	I. E. Veeder	158 160	16 00	6	22 00
Jefferson	368	T. B. Williamson	290	29 00	6	35 00
Newman	369	E D Morrow	166	16 60	4	20 60
Livingston	371	Julius M. Wright	74	7 40	6	13 40
Chambersburg	373	S. J. Hobbs	246	24 60	6	30 60
Shabbona	374	F. N. Frost	67	6 70	6	12 70
Aroma	378	E. F. Beebe	61	6 10	6	12 10
Payson	379	J. A. Robertson	278	27 80	6	33 80
Liberty	380	Jas Halman	283	28 30	6	34 30
Gill. La Moille	3.2	Thos. Dodsworth	223	22 30	6	28 30
Transfer	383	Frank E. Dayton	92	9 20	6	15 20

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Waltham	384	E. R Johnson	94	\$9 40	\$6	\$15 40
Mississippi	385	W. S. Wallace	138	13 80	6	19 80
Bridgeport	386	L. D. Leach	229	22 90	6	28 90
El Dara	388	G. H. Henry	260	26 00	6	32 00
Kankakee	389	C. Ruhee C. A. Monroe	56	5 60	6	11 60
Ashmore	390 391	C. A. Monroe	178 137	17 80 13 70	6	23 80 19 70
Tolono Oconee	393	G. C. Dillavan	209	20 90	6	24 90
Blair	393	Carl T. Murray	1	10	6	6 10
Jerseyville	394	C. G. Reddish	260	26 00	6	32 00
Muddy Point	396	Frank Hackiev	183	18 30	6	24 30
Shiloh	397	Jno. O. Andrews	80	8 00	6	14 00
Kinmundy	398	E. R. Hensley	229	22 90	6	28 90
Buda	399	T. A. Zink S. W. Joerndt F. W. Stark	117	11 70	6	17 70
Odell	401	S. W. Joerndt	82	8 20	- 6	14 20
Kishwaukee	402	F. W Stark	62	6 20	6	12 20
Mason City	403	J. S. G. Walker	172	17 20	6	23 20
Batavia	404	L. D. Wood.	219	3 80 21 90	6	9 80 27 90
Ramsey	405 406	Mason V. Carter	261	26 10	6	32 10
Bethaito Stratton	408	W. S. Elliott	166	16 60	6	22 60
Thos. J. Turner	409	John A. Sizer	100	10 00	6	6 10
Mithra	410	Ghas. Laner	2	20	6	6 20
Hesperia	411	W. F. Graves	ĩ	10	6	6 10
Bollen	412	John C. Meyer	137	13 70	6	19 70
Evening Star	414	Ed. Degunther	109	10 90	6	16 90
Lawn Ridge	415	Grant Burdick	163	16 30	6	22 30
Paxton	416	F. O. A. Anderson	103	10 30	6	16 30
Marseilles	417	E. R. Spencer	77	7 70	6	13 70
Freeburg	418	R. O. Haupt	303	30 30	6	36 30
Reynoldsburg	419	Morris Bell	334	33 40	6	39 40
Oregon	420 421	J. D. Mead	99 127	9 90 12 70	6	15 90 18 70
WashburnLandmark	422	J. Lesch Ben E. Sincere	121	40	6	6 40
Lanark	423	J. R. Sniveley	120	12 00	6	18 00
Exeter	424	W. H. Sanoingt n	232	3 20	6	29 20
Scot ville	426	W. H. Sapoingt n W. H. Vanbebber	223	22 30	6	28 30
Red Bud	427	John J. Fox	318	31 80	6	37 80
Sunbeam	428	R. O. Leitch	52	5 20	6	11 20
Chebanse	429	Alex Mackenzie	64	6 40	6	12 40
Kendrick	430	D. R. Peters	248	24 80	6	30 80
Summit	431	C. E. Warburton	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	Frank Hopkins	316	31 60 15 20	6	37 60 21 20
Philo	436 437	H. L. Wade	152	10 20	6	6 10
Chicago	440	Maxwell Levy	156	15 60	6	21 60
Camargo Sparland	441	Fred Ebel	130	13 00	6	19 00
Casey	412	R. M. Brooke	186	18 60	6	24 60
Hamshire	443	E. T. Crock	51	5 10	6	11 10
Cave-in-Rock	414	Chas. S Winn	333	33 30	6	39 30
Chesterfield	445	Wm. J. Finch	233	23 30	6	29 33
Watseka	446	Geo. W. Lace	77	7 70	6	13 70
S. D. Monroe	447	S D. Day	217	21 70	6	27 70
Yates City	448	Jay A. McLaughlin	164	16 40	4	20 40
Mendon	449	G. F. Warner	263	26 30	6	32 30
Loami	450	Peter Taber	199	19 90	6	25 90 25 30
Bromwell	451	F. W. Baxmever	193 262	19 30 26 20	6	32 20
New Hartford Maroa	453 454	W. J. Cuningham C F. Crum	157	15 70	6	21 70
Irving	455	C. F. Crum	233	23 30	6	29 30
Nokomis	456	Geo. H Webster	224	22 40	6	28 40
Jeffer-onville	460	W. B. Whitacre	251	25 10	6	31 17
Plainview	461	Frank C. Day	234	23 40	6	29 40

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Tremont	462	Frank A. Blue	153	\$15 30	\$6	\$21 31
Palmyra	463	M. McMahon	221	22 10	6	28 10
Denver	464	Geo. B. Shinkle	247	24 70	6	30 70
Huntsville	465 466	John MelvinL. A. Lamer	234 323	23 40 32 30	6	29 40 38 30
Cobden South Macon	467	O N Walker	180	18 00	6	24 00
Cheney's Grove	468	O. N. Walker. T W. Nixon. G. W. Morrell.	118	11 80	6	17 80
McLean	469	G. W. Morrell	141	14 10	6	20 40
Rantoul	470	W. Ruet	114	11 40	6	17 00
Kendall	471	raul L. Hoadley	49	4 90	6	10 90
Amity	472	E. L. Morris	30	3 00	6	9 00
Gordon	473	Ch. E. Nilsson, Jr	258	25 80	6	31 80
Columbia	474	H. L. Rose	$\frac{295}{239}$	2# 50 23 90	6	35 50 29 90
Waishville	476	N. A. Wright	164	16 40	6	22 40
Rutland	477	Frank Tes	113	11 30	4	15 30
Pleiades	478	F. E. Hodek	3	30	6	6 30
Wvoming	479		137	13 70		
Momence	481	Wm. Lyrre	52	5 20	6	11 20
Lexington	482	E. E. Mahon	110	11 00	6	17 00
Edgrwood	484 485	W. J. Faulk	214	21 40 24 40	6	27 40
Xenia	486	A. S. Jessup Bert Willard	$\frac{244}{244}$	24 40	6	30 40 30 40
Bowen	487	Geo. W. Willard	326	32 60	6	38 60
Clay City	488	W. L. Holman	242	24 20	6	30 20
Cooper	489	S. P. Bernd.	212	21 20	6	27 20
Shannon	490	E. D. Taylor	121	12 10	6	18 10
Martin	491	T. L. Frentress	181	18 10	6	24 10
Liberty ville	492	H. H. Fike	36	3 60	6	9 60
Tower Hill	493 495	Ch. J. Weber	204 318	20 40 31 80	6	26 40 37 80
Stone Fort	496	S. J. Blackman R. H. Carmon	210	21 00	6	27 00
Colchester	497	Thos, Robertson	305	30 50	6	36 50
Murphysboro	498	J. R. Hathaway	316	31 60	6	37 60
St Pauls	500	H. M. Solenberger	185	18 50	6	24 50
Stark	5.01	J. G. Reed	145	14 50	6	20 50
Woodhull	502	Gilbert D. Duerman	153	15 3) 24 40	6	21 30 30 40
Odin	504	F. H. Robinson J. W. Coulter	244 281	28 10	6	34 10
East St Louis		C. E. Oaks	74	7 40	2	9 40
O H. Miner	5 6	Richard F. Karr	76	7 60	8	13 60
Home	508	Edwin K. Bennington	3	30	6	6 30
Parkersburg	509	F. M. Rash	242	24 20	6	30 20
J. D. Moody	510	Wm. C. Hinderer	258	25 80 12 60	6	31 80 18 60
Wade-Barney	512	Frank Noble Elbert Phenig	$\frac{126}{128}$	12 80	6	18 80
Bradford	F 4 3	John F. Mayberry	178	17 80	6	23 80
Andalusia Litchfield		F. C. Blackwelder	231	23 10	6	29 10
Abraham Lincoln		F. C. Blackwelder J. F. Kyler	185	18 50	6	24 50
Roseville	519	Chas. R. Ray	191	19 10	6	25 10
Аппа	520	R. S. Shannon	329	32 90	6	38 90
Illiopolis	521	Edwin Myers	186	18 60 3 70	6	24 60 9 70
Monitor	522 523	O. C. Prideaux E. T. Chorn.	37 194	19 40	6	25 40
Chatham Evans		Asahel W. Gage	12	1 20	6	7 20
Delia		T. F. Hale	213	21 30	6	27 30
Covenant	526	Geo. D. Stafford	1	10	б	6 10
Rossville	527	J. S. Christman	105	10 50	6	16 50
Minooka		R. J. Churchill	51	5 10	6	11 10
Adams		I. M. Lavirmore	283 172	28 30 17 20	6	34 30 23 2)
Maquon	530 531	Alva A. Kinser	84	8 40		
Ashton	532	J. C. Lummey	73	7 20	4	11 20
Altamont		G. M. Baker	211	21 10	6	27 10
Cuba	534	C. L. Fink	191	19 10	6	25 10

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Sherman	535	G. H. Wavne	164	\$16 40	\$ 6	\$22 40
Plainfield	-36	A. E. Mostingor	48	4 80	6	10 80
J. R. Gorin	537	Wm. S. Roughton	142	14 20 3 30	6	20 20 9 30
Lockport Chatsworth	538 539	Wm. W. North	33 97	9 70	6 6	15 70
Oak Park	540	Wm. B Fisk	9	90	6	6 90
Stewardson	541	R. E. Voris	195	19 50	6	25 50
Towanda	542	Wm. Leistman	118	11 80	6	17 80
Cordova	543	W. H. Moody	153	15 30	4	19 36 27 00
Virginia	544 547	R. H. Mann	210 176	21 00 17 60	6	23 20
Sharon	550	Henry F. Walters Geo. E. Welsh	128	12 30	6	18 30
Long Point	552	B. F. Colehower	103	10 30	6	16 30
Plum River	554	R. A. Oliver	124	12 6	6	18 60
Humboldt	355	P. J. Wendel	84	8 40	6	14 40
Dawson	556	Henry S. Wiley	196	19 60 20	6	25 60 6 30
Lessing Leland	557 558	J. M. Reynolds	66	6 60	6	12 60
Thomson	559	Roy I. Houchton.	143	14 30	6	20 30
Madison	560	Oscar Latowski y	258	25 80	6	31 80
Trinity	562	E. P. Easterday ,	359	35 90	6	41 90
Winslow	564	A. M. Styles	133	13 30	6	19 30
Pleasant Hill	565 566	John R. Galloway	266 144	26 60 14 40	6	32 60 20 40
Albany Frankfort	567	M. S. Rosenkranz James A. Lamain	314	31 40	6	37 40
Time	569	C. E. Bagby	260	26 00	6	32 00
Jacksonville	570	F L Best	215	21 50	6	27 50
Bardolph	572	Cha Harris	197	19 70	6	25 70
Gardner	573	Daniel G een	ซูล์ เกล	6 50 10 80	6	12 50 16 80
Pera Capron	574 575	R. W. Cole W. R. Marriett	108 70	7 00	6	13 00
O'Fallon	576	Wm. H. Reidelberger	291	29 10	6	35 10
Viola	577	J hn B. Bradford	167	16 70	6	22 70
Praire City	578	J. C. Spiller	209	20 90	6	26 90
HazelDell	580	J. F. Adams	198	19 80 33 80	6	25 80
Dongola	581 582	S. M. Weatherly B. F. Moberly	338 132	13 20	6	39 80 19 20
Highland	583	John F. Montgomery	267	26 70	6	32 70
Vesper	584	H. A. Craig.	163	16 30	6	22 30
Fisher	585	L. E. Whiresel	194	19 40	6	25 40
Princeton	587 588	Eugene Moran	104 278	10 40 27 80	6	16 40 33 80
Fairmount	590	James Rawson F. A. Shepherd	137	13 70	6	19 70
Gilman	591	D W. Miller	81	8 10	6	14 10
Fi. ldon	592	J hn T. Lofton	272	27 20	6	33 20
Miles Hart	595	John S. Dolan	198	19 80	6	25 80
Cerro Gordo Farina	601	G o. G. Dobson	163 223	16 30 22 30	6	22 30 28 30
Watson	802	J. W Lack y A. D. Smith	206	20 60	6	26 60
Clark	6.3	Isaac W. Winters.	186	18 60	6	24 60
Hebron	604	C. W Bailev	74	7 40	6	13 40
Streator	607	N. Th edohr	94	9 40	6	15 40
Piper	608	C. A. McClain	91	9 10 8 50	6	15 10 14 50
Sheldon Union Park	610		3	30	4	4 30
Lincoln Park	611	Roger L. Ave y Oscar A. Kraff	2	20	6	6 20
Rock River	612	Francis Cubitt	110	11 00	6	17 00
Patoka		J. W Delassus	247	24 70	6	30 70
Forest Wadley	614	H. M. Miller Ch. E. Cusiuss	93	9 30 22 70	6	15 30 28 70
Good Hope		F. E. Harden	218	21 80	6	27 80
Basco	. 618	Wm. Priesm n	°44	24 40	6	30 40
New Hope		W. D. Jennings	197	19 70	6	25 70
Hopedale	623	R J. Railsback	149 210	14 90 21 00	6	20 90 27 00
Locust	1 023	J. T. Brandon	1 210	1 ×1 00	1 0	. ~100

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Union	627	R. M. Damron	339	\$33 90	\$6	8 39 90
Tuscan	630	J W. McGhee	305	30 50 8 00	6	36 50
Norton	$631 \\ 632$	W. K. Watts	80 140	14 00	6	14 00 20 00
E. F. W. Ellis	633	A. D. Julian	87	8 70	6	14 70
Buckley	634	Elwin Hull	93	9 30	6	15 30
Rochester	635	J. D. Hunter	193	19 30	6	25 30
Peotone	636 639	H. C. Reser Emil Altman	40	4 00	6	10 00 6 2 0
Keystone	641	M. A. Hand.	144	14 40	6	20 40
Apollo	642	M. R. Rosenbaum	3	30	6	6 30
D. C. Cregier	643	H. C. Perl	2	20	6	6 20
Oblong City San Jose	644 645	C. C. Caywood	215 163	21 50 16 30	$\begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{array}{c} 27 & 50 \\ 22 & 30 \end{array}$
Somonauk	646	D. F. Stevens	59	5 90	6	11 90
Blueville	647	O. D. Clark	202	20 20	6	26 20
Camden	648	E. H. Cady, Jr R. R. Huff	240	24 00	6	$\frac{30\ 00}{22\ 00}$
Atwood Greenview	651 653	C H Derry	160 180	16 00 18 00	6	22 00 24 00
Yorktown	655	C. H. Derry J. M. Olson	121	12 10	6	18 10
Mozart	656	Henry Quosick	126	12 60	6	18 60
Laf yette	657	J. T. Évans	333	33 30	6	39 30
Rock Island	658 659	R. F. Ralston J. L. Klemme	$\frac{164}{263}$	16 40 26 30	6 6	22 40 32 30
Lambert Grand Chain	660	W. A. Gaunt	353	35 30	6	41 30
South Park	662	O J. Graham	6	60	- 6	6 60
Mayo	664	J A. McCorkle.	223	22 30	6	28 30
Greenland	665	J. F. Jenninigs W. A. Wood	214 214	21 40 21 40	6	27 40 27 40
Crawford Erie	667	Enos Anderson	133	13 30	6	19 30
Burnt Prairie	668	W. J. Calkins	272	27 20	6	33 20
Herder	669	Chas. Vietzen	$\frac{3}{234}$	30	6	6 30 29 40
Fillmore Eddyville	672	Ch. H. Romeyn	333	23 40 33 30	6	39 30
Normal	673	H. G. McCormick	124	12 40	6	18 40
Waldeck	674	Ch. J. Thetard	4	40	6	6 40
Pawnee	675	M. Finderburk W. H. Thomas	203 23	20 30	6	26 30 8 30
A. O. Fay Enfield	676	J N. Wilson	277	27 70	6	33 70
Illinois City	679	P H. Schriver	189	18 90	6	24 90
Clement	680	O. W. Jacobson	171	17 10	6	23 10
Morrisonville	681	J. M. Becker E. F. Dunbar	211 187	21 10 18 70	6	27 10 24 70
Blue Mound Burnside	683	F. S. Jackson	225	22 50	6	28 50
Galatia	684	W. J. Edwards	307	30 70	6	36 70
Rio	685	J. C. Dickerson	163	16 30	6	22 30
Garfield	686 687	Chas. Workman M. W. Gouse	126	12 60	6	6 50
Orangeville	688	M. C. Madison	69	6 90	6	12 90
Englewood	690	3. W. Place	8	30	6	6 80
<u>Iola</u>	691	E. F. Patrick	221 220	22 10 22 00	6	28 10 28 00
Raymond Herrin's Prairie	692	A. W. Jones S. D. Lee	321	22 00 32 10	6	38 10
Shiloh Hill		J. M. Hanna	311	31 10	6	37 10
Belle Rive	696	I. D. Hampton	293	29 30	6	35 30
Richard Cole		Henry Frick	193	19 30	6	6 40 25 30
HuttonPleasant Plains		C. W. Mc Morris	201	20 10	6	25 50
Temple Hill		Elbert Yates	367	36 70	6	42 70
Alexandria	702	C. W. Postlewait	172	17 20	6	23 20
Braidwood		Nye Keyes	298	5 70 29 80	6	11 70 35 80
Ewing Joppa		D. G. Fitzgerald Jas. W. Jones	208	20 80	6	26 80
Star		A. L. Spradling	99	9 90	6	15 90
Farmer City	710	John W. Kendall	130	13 00	6	19 00

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Providence Collinsville Johnsonville Newton Elvaston Calumet Arcana May Chapel Hill Rome Walnut Omaha Chandlerville Rankin	711 712 713 714 715 716 717 718 719 721 722 723 724 725	John Groemier Jno. W. Bruso. C. E. Johnson. G. R. Pilkington B. P. Cunningham H. T. G. Hancock Ira Shain. G. L. Baker J. R. Walker H. G. Kegwin J. T. Hogan W. W. Mullen. Clinton kice	10 286 253 119 237 16 1 285 328 271 110 292 207 111	\$1 00 28 60 25 20 11 90 23 70 1 60 10 28 50 32 30 27 10 11 00 29 20 20 70 11 10	\$6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6	\$ 7 00 34 60 31 20
Golden Rule Raritan Waterman Lake Creek Eldorado Harbor Carman Gibson Morning Star Sheridan Arrowsmith	726 727 728 729 730 731 732 733 734 735 737	Jess Tilley W. T. Wittberger John Boyer D. L. Wood Chas. Watson O. B. Vanghn A. O. Poff A. L. Owings H. J. Thompson	1 201 62 320 297 12 212 110 181 64 125	10 20 10 6 20 33 00 29 70 1 20 21 20 11 00 18 10 6 40 12 50	6 6 6 4 6 6 6 6	26 10 12 20 38 00 33 70 7 20 27 20 17 00 24 10
Saunemin Lakeside New Holland Danvers Scott Land Goode	738 739 741 742 743 744	W. A. Carding	168 168 136 151 315	8 30 30 16 80 13 60 15 10 31 50	6 6 6	14 30 6 30 22 80 21 10 37 50
Winnebago Weldon Centennial Alta Akin Lyndon	745 746 747 748 749 750	L. G. Payne H. J. Waterstreet L. M. Marvel C. F. Van Vleck W. C. Chambers R. F. Rotramel Walter Austin	94 150 142 155 316 123	9 40 15 00 14 20 15 50 31 60 12 30	6 4 6 6 6 6	15 40 19 00 20 20 21 50 27 60 18 30
Lounsbury Allendale Ogden Pre-emption Hardinsville Verona Mystic Star	751 752 754 755 756 757 758	A. Weidrett. Alba. W. C. Peters P. C. Freytag. Sam Shearard. M. A. Stilt. J. M. Wright.	32 241 144 185 218 75 8	3 20 24 10 14 40 18 50 21 80 7 50 80	6 6 6 6 6 6	9 20 30 10 20 40 24 50 27 80 13 50 6 80
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Lake View Grand Crossing Ravenswood Gurney Wright's Grove Siloam Potomac	774 776 777 778 779 780 782	A. P. Bauer. G. J. Lawton C. R. Casler W. T. Parr C. F. Warner R. C. Robinson J. C. Moss	5 10 6 355 5 4 121	50 1 00 60 35 50 50 40 12 10	6 6 6 6 6	6 50 7 00 6 60 41 50 6 50 6 40 18 10

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Constantia	783	Edw. Weber	1	\$ 10	\$6	\$ 6 10
Beacon Light	784	N. E. Knotch	11	1 10	6	7 10
Riverton Union	786	A. E. Miller	191	19 10	6	25 10
Morris	787	J. S. Scharr	304	30 40	6	36 40
Lerna	788	R. G. Hall	178	17 80	6	23 80
Auburn Park	789	J. W. Taylor	$\frac{8}{254}$	80 25 40	6	6 80 31 40
Pittsfield Broadlands	790	J. O. Anderson T. A. Dicks	155	15 50	6	21 50
Calhoun	791 792	W. N. Martland	272	27 30	6	33 20
A. T. Darrah	793	Clark Harold	165	16 50	6	22 50
Tadmor	794	Geo. W. Joyce	329	32 90	6	3 8 90
Myrtle	795	J. E. Widner	7	70	6	6 70
E. M. Husted	796	Frank Merrill	237	23 70 70	6	29 70
Normal Park	797	Chas. R. Fuller Peter Anderson	146	14 60	6	6 70 20 60
Sidell Colfax	798 799	Harry A. Arnold	119	11 90	6	17 90
Kenwood	800	Geo. M. Brosnihan	4	40	6	6 40
Sangamon	801	Paul T. Condit	124	12 40	6	18 40
Williamson	802	Geo. Tregoning	317	31 70	6	37 70
Neponset	803	G. W. Wnaples	123	12 30	6	18 30
Kensington	804	Adolph Staukonitz	18	1 30	6	7 30 16 40
S. M.Dalzell	805 806	Thomas Watkins Wm. Franklin	104 261	26 10	6	32 10
Nebo Royal	807	Clifford D. Kern	300	30 00	4	34 00
Cornland	808	J. T. Irving	173	17 20	6	23 20
Gillham	809	Samuel Durr	252	25 20	6	31 20
Tracv	810	G. W. Cummings	13	1 30	6	7 30
Melvin	811	C. O. McMahon	100	10 00 15 00	6	16 00 21 00
De Land Humboldt Park	812	J. H. Wood John Muhl, Jr	150	50	6	6 50
Ohio	814	D. W. Allen	103	10 30	6	16 30
Lawn	815	W. J. Bryan	8	80	6	6 80
Ridgway	816	S. M. Combs	299	29 90	6	35 90
Creal Springs	817	C. R. Felts	336	33 60	6	39 60 6 70
Ben Hur Columbian	818 819	E. G. Hessemer Jeremiah Jaynes	5	50	6	6 50
Henderson	830	Cnas. T. McLean	157	15 70	6	21 70
New Canton	821	R. E. Funk	282	28 20	6	34 20
Belknap	822	R. E. Funk	346	34 60	6	40 60
Pearl	823	E II II II II I	115	11 50		
Grove	824 825	E. H. Huntington, Jr J. I. Lawrence	162	2 10 16 20	6	8 10 22 20
Arthur	826	Frank N. Randall.	71	7 10	6	13 10
Secural	1 897	W. F. Ziegler	55	5 50	6	11 50
Edgar	829	G. W. Hughes	154	15 40	6	21 40
Edgar	830	B. B. Harton	300	30 00	6	36 00
		W. W. Harben	205 23	20 50	6	26 50
Magic City Dean	832 833	H. S. Knauer	321	2 30 32 10	6	38 10
Toledo	834	W. L. Smith	187	18 70	6	24 70
Triple		E. M. Porter	278	27 80	6	33 80
Windsor Park	886	I. T. Buchan	7	70	6	6 70
Hindsboro	887	Ole V. Langley	168	16 80	6	22 80
Charity	838	W. H. Gaylord	197	19 70	6	7 00
Berwyn Alto Pass	839 840	L. G. Keith		33 20	6	39 20
Woodlawn Park		H. F. Holder		80	6	6 80
Fides	842	E. R. Willlams	17	1 70	6	7 70
Park Lodge	843	R. H. Mathers		1 00	6	7 00
Hopewell	844	F C Vandernaarten	126	12 60 6 80	6	12 80
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Jackson Park	915	J. E. Allworth	6	\$0 60	\$6	8 6 60
Welcome	916	Oliver Stangland	1	10	6	6 10
Concord	917	R. C. Clark	6	60	6	6 60
Sesser	918	R. D. Webb	284	28 40	6	34 40
Elwood	919	Geo. N. Platt	46	4 60	6	10 60
Cottonwood	920	D. A. Bryant	295	29 50	6	35 50
Avondale	921	Geo. E. Feebing	7	70	4	4 70
Compass	922	O. L. Carson	5	50	6	6 50
East Gate	923	Ben D. Mayer	1	10	6	6 10
Banner Blue	924	Frances A. Butler	8	80	6	6 80
Molenna	935	L. D. Leach	270	27 00	6	33 00
Veritas	926	W. J. Downey	3	30	6	6 30
Candida	927	R. R. Longenecker	1	10	6	6 10

All of which is fraternally submitted.

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APPENDIX—PART I.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MASONIC CORRESPONDENCE 1911



INTRODUCTION.

Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

A survey of the field of masonry as shown in the proceedings of the various grand lodges discloses little that is sensational or startling. The craft in the many grand jurisdictions throughout the world are pursuing the even tenor of their way. Differences are diminishing and masonic law and usage are becoming more uniform.

There is ever present the evidence of healthy and natural growth in membership and influence. Owing to the existence of spurious and fraudulent bodies, assuming to be masonic, there is a steady increase in the number of grand lodges requiring documentary evidence in addition to "strict trial and due examination." The written evidence required is that the visitor be in good standing in his lodge and that the grand secretary certify that his lodge is regular. This wide growth in the requirement for written proof will necessitate some form of receipt for dues bearing the grand secretary's certificate of regularity. Brethren who would visit outside of their own grand lodge should fortify themselves for this new requirement. A mere receipt for dues is not sufficient. The additional proof that the lodge is not clandestine but regular is more and more demanded.

WM. J. HUGHAN.

An event of world-wide masonic significance and sorrow was the death of William J. Hughan, the distinguished English author and historian. He passed away May 20, 1911, at the age of seventy years and was buried with masonic honors. He was a past senior grand deacon of the grand lodge of England. On account of the system in vogue among our English brethren, a man, as an ordinary craftsman, can scarcely reach the position of grand master. This is reserved for the royal family. When ALBERT EDWARD, Prince of Wales, ascended the British throne, it became necessary to find his successor as grand mas-The new Prince of Wales, the present King George, not being a mason, could not succeed his father as grand master of masons. In consequence, ARTHUR, King EDWARD's brother, the Duke of Connaught, was made the head of English masonry. He does not actually officiate except on rare occasions. He chooses a pro grand master and a deputy. These are active in the affairs of the grand lodge of England. They are, like the grand master, royal personages. Plain workers in the quarries, like Hughan, no matter how great by natural endowment or by acquisition through labor, cannot be called to the highest service of the craft. Gladly would they be summoned by the workers but rank and station make their advancement impossible. Though Hughan wrought in a somewhat different field from that of Robbins, yet, they were in the same distinguished class of masonic writers and thinkers. Masonry can ill afford to lose these giants.

BIG LODGES.

It will not always do to conclude that because a thing is large that necessarily it is good. Great mountains are worth little, except as impressive spectacles of the majestic power of their maker. The little fertile valley between may almost escape notice. Yet, it bears upon its bosom a rich harvest to sustain the life of man and beast. Large lodges challenge attention by their magnitude of membership. It is not proper to suggest that they are useless, for they are capable of great good. It is, however, likely that the same number of brethren, broken up into two or more smaller bodies, would come nearer to the individual brother and meet his social and fraternal needs more effectively. In a lodge of over 500 members there must be a vast number that scarcely ever press elbows as masons.

In some quarters this thought is taking shape and there are many who think the lodges with from 100 to 300 on their roll are able to come into closer fraternal touch with the lives of their members than are the larger bodies.

It may be of interest to know where some of the big ones are located and the magnitude of their membership. According to latest reports the five largest lodges in the United States are as follows;

Palestine—Detroit, Mich	1,602
Garden City—Chicago, Ill	1,438
Gennessee Falls-Rochester, N. Y.	. 1,396
Yomandia—Rochester, N. Y	1,277
Zion-Detroit, Mich	1,250

It will be seen that Rochester, with a population of 218,000 has two of the big ones. Detroit with 465,000 has the largest lodge and also the fifth. Chicago has more than 2,000,000 population and the second lodge in numerical order. There are, however, more than 100 other lodges in the big Illinois city and its total membership will compare favorably with others in proportion to population.

Fraternally,

OWEN SCOTT, Committee.

Decatur, Ill., Sept. 27, 1911.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

ON

MASONIC CORRESPONDENCE

1911

OWEN SCOTT, P. G. M.

ALABAMA-1910.

501 Lodges.

90TH ANNUAL.

23,303 MEMBERS.

It takes 538 pages to tell the Alabama masonic story in 1910. It is an interesting, well-told tale. The session was held at Montgomery, December 6 and 7, and the proceedings reached the writer January 17, 1911. This is rather swift as the grand secretaries and printers usually perform.

An excellent picture of Grand Master Lee opens the book. A twopage biographical sketch then tells all about him.

WILLIAM H. DAFFIN was present as the representative of Illinois.

MUST ATTEND.

Three years ago a rule was adopted to require representatives of other grand lodges near that of Alabama to be present at least occasionally in order to hold their jobs. If absent three consecutive annual meetings the grand lodge issuing the commission is to be requested to revoke the same. The grand secretary reported that thirteen representatives of grand lodges had placed themselves under the ban by failing to attend for three years. Instruction was given to the grand secretary to notify the grand lodges and request that they revoke the commissions of the delinquents. No subject needs more attention than the slip-shod methods in regard to representation between grand lodges. Alabama is to be commended for its effort at rejuvenation.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The annual address of Grand Master Lee is well-timed and forceful. Here is a paragraph well worth repeating.

The gates of Time swinging forever between the pillars of Eternity to mark the passage of the ages have closed upon another grand lodge year. Its history is written, and the record of its days, whether for good or ill, has passed forever from our power to alter or change. The moving finger of time has written it upon the imperishable tablets of Eternity, and having written, has passed on, and not all our tears nor all our prayers can change one jot or tittle of it.

If we could realize fully the absolute truth of this, a fact prominent in all of masonry's teachings, and would order our lives in conformity thereto, each masonic year would become an illumined signboard raised along the broad highway of the past, serving to point mankind along paths wholly beautiful, along ways filled with broad suulit reaches, cool silences and good deeds.

Once more hear him,

Masonry, though old, is yet young. The vistas of its usefulness still stretch gloriously through the coming years, far into the future beyond our human ken. Its purposes are yet unfilled, and must so remain until the dawning of that good day when all of the people of all the lands with one accord shall proclaim the brotherhood of man, and the fatherhood of God.

These are wholesome truths, beautifully told. He then records the doings of a busy and prosperous year.

To Confer Degrees Out of Time.

Though somewhat apologetic the grand master was very handy with his dispensation to ballot and confer degrees out of time. No less than fifty-two times he yielded to the requests of brethren to put candidates through on limited-express train style. He says he did it so as not to disappoint brethren. If all were given to understand that the lawful time must elapse there would be little disappointment. If there is a reason for fixing a time for ballot and advancement it should not be set aside by wholesale. If there be no reason repeal the law. Illinois grand masters rarely exercise this power and charge a large fee when it is done.

The death of P.G.M. John M. Pearson is noted.

AN ANOMALY.

From Athens, Ga., come resolutions from a district masonic convention regarding the oppression of the Jews in Russia. The real mystery follows. A set of resolutions from the "Independent Order of Odd Fellows" also appears. Did this get in by an oversight or are the three-

linkers making inroads on the Alabama grand lodge of masons? No action on the foregoing resolutions was deemed advisable.

COLOR LINE IGNORED.

One of the wisest recommendations of the grand master was that nothing be done to disturb the peaceful relations of Alabama with New Jersey because of the fact that in the latter state negroes as well as whites are received and degrees conferred upon them in regular lodges. The grand master found that this was only done in one lodge in New Jersey and that it was discouraged and would soon be discontinued. He reports similar conditions existing in other grand lodges with whom they hold fraternal relations. He refers to Nova Scotia, Washington, and several lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of England. Grand Master Lee says—

This decision should not be construed in any sense as committing the lodges in Alabama to the doctrine that negroes who are regularly made masons in other jurisdictions with which we are in fraternal relation, are to be received in lodges in this grand jurisdiction.

By edicts 68, 448, and 637, it is provided that the lodge, the master or any member thereof, by objection made, may prevent anyone visiting the lodge, whether a member of a lodge in this grand jurisdiction or elsewhere, whenever the presence of such visitor will tend to mar the peace and harmony of the lodge. As a matter of fact, it is the duty of the master to exclude such a visitor.

Later in the session the grand lodge approved the position taken by the grand master. It does not pay to become hysterical over this question as some other southern states have done.

DECISIONS MANY.

The grand master submits a plethora of rulings as law. Thirty-two are reported.

In No. 1 he holds that "dotage" means "feebleness or imbecility of understanding of mind or physical senility. One possessed of his physical and mental faculties may be made a Mason, although old in point of years."

In No. 5 the question of payment of fees and dues by "a minister of the gospel" is raised. He holds that a minister who is not engaged in his calling cannot be made, by lodge by-laws, exempt from paying dues. The inference is that where the clergyman is working at his business he may be made a deadhead. It was held that it was within the discretion of the lodge. Little reason can be seen for discrimination in favor of any class. In the present age a minister is considered worthy of his hire. His compensation is on a business basis and often it is

much more than many members in other callings. However, the grand lodge agreed with the grand master and Alabama preachers can be deadheads if they desire. No. 16 is that "a failure to pay an assessment levied by a lodge cannot be made the basis of a charge of unmasonic conduct." How then can you collect it from a member? Sue him? If dues are made high enough there will be no need of assessments.

In line with Illinois is No. 22. "Corner stone ceremonies cannot be conducted on the Sabbath."

In No. 31 the grand master corrects himself. At first he held that the song "Nearer My God to Thee" was sectarian and, therefore, it was not proper to use it in a lodge. On mature consideration Brother Lee reversed himself and gave his official OK. to the grand old hymn. He thinks it may be used with propriety "in all lands by all people who are eligible to be made Masons."

THE MASONIC HOME

Is under construction. The entire cost is to be about \$110,000. About one-half of this sum is in sight. Arrangements were made to finance the enterprise. It had been hoped to lay the corner-stone during the session but it was not possible to do so. They are proceeding on much the same lines as our Home at Sullivan was erected. A main building and two wings are to be built. The wings come first and then the principal structure. It is to be fire-proof all through. With a little over 33,000 members it appears that steps are being taken with wisdom and caution.

EASTERN STAR RECEIVED.

The ladies of the Eastern Star of the local chapter presented themselves armed with "a lovely bunch of white chrysanthemums." The grand lodge at once capitulated, called to refreshment and gave the good sisters a cordial reception. It is noted that the flowers were "gracefully and feelingly received." This is as it should be.

Correspondence Report.

Bro. Wm. Y. Titcomb again presents a well-written review of the proceedings of grand lodges. There are 66 reports of 62 grand bodies, some being reviewed for two years. He says "the conclusion shall appear at the beginning of this report. It is as follows: 'God bless our fraternity.'"

ILLINOIS FARES WELL.

Seven and one-half pages are devoted to the 1909 proceedings of Illinois. Of Grand Master Bell's address he says—

The able and business-like address of the grand master shows that with ready tact and wise management he satisfactorily disposed of every question that demanded his attention.

The "liquor question" as given in the Petersburg case is quoted in full, without comment except to say that "This vexatious 'liquor question' stays with us. Possibly we are sometimes intemperate in treating it. Much wisdom is requisite for dealing with the subject satisfactorily."

The reviewer says that "Grand Secretary ISAAC CUTTER is an indispensable officer and is the strong staff on which each G. M. leans." Wonder if that has anything to do with Brother Bell's "lean-ness."

An Addition.

In referring to the Valle de Mexico decision, Brother TITCOMB gives his view concerning one requirement in the recognition of grand lodges. He says that "a majority of the lodges, not less than three, existing in autonomous, open territory, have the right to form a grand lodge for said territory.

"We undertake to affirm that the 'three' lodges mentioned must be a majority of the whole number in the territory. To deny this, would be to say that in such territory where there are, say, forty lodges, three lodges could assume authority over the thirty-seven other lodges—a preposterous idea for the contemplation of an American."

This is sound and shows that there was no foundation for this Mexican body. There were many so-called lodges in Mexico no more irregular than the three which formed the basis for Valle de Mexico.

BROTHERS ROBBINS AND COOK.

He says that "Dr. Robbins was an intellectual giant, who never, like Achilles, sulked in his tent, but ever, fairly and squarely grappled with the knottiest questions of masonic law and usage. He is gone. Judging from this report, his mantle has fallen upon worthy shoulders. Brother Cook's review will form a valuable addition to masonic literature."

Grand master, Lawrence H. Lee, Montgomery; grand secretary. Geo, A. Beauchamp, Montgomery.

ALBERTA—1910.

53 Lodges.

5TH ANNUAL.

2,990 Members.

The young and vigorous Grand Lodge of Alberta shows a net gain in membership of 451 over the year before.

Its proceedings of about 150 pages look much like a midget as compared to the bulk of other states and provinces.

A number of special communications are shown.

The stalwart figure of the grand master, J. T. McDonald, appears as the frontispiece.

The 5th annual meeting was held at Calgary, May 25, 1910. The representative of Illinois was not present.

The mayor of the city gave them a cordial welcome to which suitable response was made.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

Brother McDonald presents a very entertaining account of the year's work. That he is something of a poet is shown by his frequent productions in verse. At least three poems from his own pen grace the document. He draws liberally from other poetical writings to enrich and embellish his report. In a fitting manner the death of King Edward is noted. He sent a message of condolence in behalf of the grand lodge of Alberta.

The death of Bro. Joseph Robbins is noted and his name appears on the memorial page.

ALL VISITED.

That Brother McDonald is neither wanting in interest nor energy is proven by the fact that he officially visited every one of the fifty-three lodges of his province. Of this he says—

While these visitations called for much time and the traveling by rail, motor and team of some six thousand nine hundred and ninety-seven miles, I was amply repaid for the effort by the enthusiastic reception, filled with true brotherly love and good fellowship, that awaited me at every lodge.

ALREADY BEGUN.

To show the real spirit of this four-year-old read the following;

While yet a young grand lodge we have entered in a practical way upon the accumulation of a fund for the ultimate erection of a masonic home and school. I am glad to say that from one end of our jurisdic-

tion to the other, our members are in sympathy with the movement, and if I read the future aright, that fund will grow in the coming years by leaps and bounds.

The report of the treasurer shows a fund of \$3,659.89 for this Home and school. Pretty good start for four years.

It is to be regretted that our young Canadian sister was so much in a hurry to recognize the Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina. The relations of Alpina with the Godless Grand Orient of France are enough to make regular masons stop and consider. It was wisely decided that masons could not wear "regalia" at parties known as "At Homes," mere social gatherings.

District deputy grand masters are elected by the representatives and past masters subject to confirmation by the grand master.

UNIFORM WORK.

This grand lodge is in the throes of adopting a ritual for uniform use by the lodges of Alberta. This was under discussion but action was deferred. The splendid work of Illinois is commended to our brethren of the north. They could afford to import one of our live grand lecturers and keep him long enough to teach the ritual to their custodians of the work.

No report on correspondence appears in their proceedings.

Grand master, J. J. Dunlop, Edmonton; grand secretary, Geo. Macdonald, Calgary.

ARIZONA-1911.

20 Lodges.

20TH ANNUAL.

1,912 Members.

Big territorially but small in population, both general and masonic, is Arizona. The gain in membership has been but 105, but the fraternity appears prosperous. One new lodge has been added. It takes only 140 pages, handsomely gowned in blue, to tell the masonic story for the year. The annual was held at Tucson, February 14, 15, 16, 1911. With their twenty lodges and 1,900 members the brethren so enjoy the work of the grand lodge that they linger about it as long as Illinois does in transacting the business of over 100,000 masons with about 800 lodges.

The half-tone of retiring grand master, Frank Thomas, constitutes the beauty-spot for the opening pages. The book opens with the proceedings of two special communications. One was to lay the cornerstone of the "Hebrew Temple Emanu-El" at Tucson, June 19, 1910. The other was to dedicate the new masonic hall at Bisbee October 13, 1910.

BRIEF AND POINTED.

The annual address of the grand master was exceedingly brief. It was pointed and full of interest. The death of P.G.M. John M. Pearson, of Illinois, is mentioned.

No decisions are reported as the grand master found nothing more than the construction of laws already in force. He did not seek to legislate by "decision."

Suitable honor was given representatives of other grand lodges. No names appear and it could not be determined whether Illinois was in court or not.

The proceedings under review furnish very little outside of local interest. The actions of the grand lodge as reported are most meager. No correspondence report is presented.

HAS BEENS CONVENE.

The second annual meeting of the "Past Grand Masters' Association" is given quite full report.

The president of the association says

Being in rightful possession of all the degrees of the York Rite of Freemasonry from entered apprentice of the blue lodge through the several gradations of chapter, council, and commandery, to and inclusive of that distinguishing feature, the Shrine, having been honored with all of the degrees of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite to and inclusive of that of Inspector General of the 33rd degree of that Rite, having been elevated to the highest office within the gift of the order, that of grand master, in two separate and distinct jurisdictions, Nevada in 1877, and Arizona in 1884, a unique and rare distinction claimed by few, happy in the possession of what seemed to me to be the very ultima Thule in Masonry, which my brethren had already so generously bestowed, still another, a new creation as it were, comes as the first president of the Association of Past Grand Masters of Arizona.

Some of these honors will not be well understood by those Masons who have not seen fit to add to the distinctions of the ancient craft the glories of so-called higher (?) degrees.

Grand master, Henry A. Morgan, Willcox; grand secretary, George J. Roskruge, Tucson.

ARKANSAS-1910.

552 Lodges.

68TH ANNUAL.

19.934 Members.

A good looking book of 280 pages gives the doings of Arkansas masonry for the year 1910. The annual and sundry emergent communications are recorded. A full corps of grand officers, committees and representatives answered the call of Grand Master Witt when the gavel sounded, November 15, 1910. Illinois' representative was not present.

The first thing done after the grand lodge was declared open was a call of the names of deceased past grand masters. The craft arose "and the funeral grand honors were given in memory of these eminent and beloved brethren." P.G.M. Ramsey passed to his reward during the year closed.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Was full of interest and gave a complete review of the work for the year. The death of P.G.M. John M. Pearson was duly noted.

One school of instruction was held for three days in January, 1910. The grand master was present and testified to the excellent instruction given. In Illinois there are held five schools of three days each every year. The cost to the grand lodge is about \$1,200. It is believed that the growth and prosperity in this state are the result largely of our system of instruction in the work of the several degrees.

ONLY A FEW DECISIONS.

The grand master, though answering innumerable questions, only thought it necessary to report six decisions. All answers were mere explanations of the law in force. These decisions were mostly of local character.

The question was asked whether or not a lodge had a right to elect a member to the office of master who was in the habit of getting drunk. The answer was that "the lodge has no right to retain him as a member if he persistently violates masonic law by habitual drunkenness." Another decision was that at masonic ceremonies, such as laying corner stones or public installations, a lodge would merit censure and severe discipline if it permitted "speculative stands, such as shooting matches, doll racks, knife boards, swings, and other devices" for making money. The committee on law and usage reversed the grand master but the grand lodge turned the committee down and sustained his ruling.

RECREANT REPRESENTATIVES.

During the previous session of the grand lodge a few of the representatives allowed themselves to overindulge in intoxicants. The grand master was instructed to investigate and, if any had thus offended, to suspend them from office of master. Three were found guilty. Two were suspended, but a third begged for mercy and was allowed to escape with a severe reprimand read in open lodge.

Under dispensations the grand master reports that he declined to allow a lodge to attend divine worship as a body and in masonic clothing. This is in line with Brother Bell's decision.

Too MANY LODGES.

The grand master thinks there are already too many lodges and recommends such regulations as will restrict the number. He says—

Our motto should be "Quality and not quantity." Start a lodge with seven or ten members, and the result is that members sometimes become too solicitous to add members and in doing this sometimes undesirable material is worked. With a lodge having such small membership it is often impossible to obtain a quorum at regular stated communication, and interest thereupon wanes, and lodges become defunct. We now have nearly 650 chartered lodges, and some 15 or 20 working under dispensation. Many sister jurisdictions, with many more more members have fewer lodges. I think also that many of our lodges are too near each other for the best interests of masonry.

This is true in other states also. If the weeding-out process could be used it would be an advantage.

In one case a charter was arrested because a lodge was party to deception and fraud in making an appeal for aid for an unworthy brother. The facts were wilfully misrepresented. Each guilty brother was to be put on trial.

THE ORPHANS' HOME

At Batesville is in a flourishing condition and doing an excellent work. There are 37 children, ranging from 5 to 17 years of age. The total amount used for the Home was \$10,055.11. The grand master after a visit to the Home says "The Masons of Arkansas should be proud of this institution and should take delight in assisting in so a noble a cause."

TEX-ARK-ANA.

Serious complications have arisen at Texarkana which lies partly in Texas and partly in Arkansas. A man lived in Arkansas but married a woman who lived in another part of the city which was in Texas. As he moved into the home of his wife the question of jurisdiction

got badly muddled when he petitioned for the degrees. Two sovereign states heroically struggled to settle the question of jurisdiction. Why not ignore state lines and let the lodge nearest to the residence of the man have him? Texarkana is a triplet. Tex stands for Texas, Ark for Arkansas and Ana are the last two syllables of Louisiana whose boundary is only a few miles away.

SOMETHING UNIQUE.

Most grand lodges have a committee to distribute the address of the grand master and reports of other officers to various committees for consideration. Here P.G.M. Bridewell does it all himself by a simple motion. Various parts were approved and others suitably referred. Apparently it was as well done as if he had been called a committee on grand officers' reports. Mention is made of notice from "Illinois advising as to their new laws on the subjects of creating new lodges and of requiring documentary evidence by visitors."

ACCOMMODATES O.E.S.

In order that the members of the Grand Chapter O.E.S., then in session at Little Rock, might attend and enjoy the oration, the grand lodge was called from labor to refreshment. The ladies were ushered in and seated while the grand orator, R.W. Bro. Samuel M. Casey delivered the annual oration. It was an ably prepared document full of interest and instruction. Its great length forbids even an attempt at a summary of its contents. At the conclusion the most worthy grand matron, Mrs. Lucy B. Thornburgh addressed the members of the grand lodge in recognition of the courtesy shown the members of the Eastern Star. To this the grand master suitably responded, the ladies retired and the wheels again began to turn.

REGARDING INTOXICATING LIQUORS.

The committee on correspondence made a special report on various matters before it. A part of this was as follows;

We note with pleasure the upward tendency of masonry, as manifested by the decisions in many of our grand jurisdictions, in shutting the doors of masonry to those who are either directly or indirectly engaged in the liquor or other disreputable and immoral lines of business.

A man's conduct and his business are both outward reflections of his inward character, and masonry being a conserver and preserver of the true and the good, should never wink at or tolerate such forms of evil; but upon the contrary, should place its disapproval upon it in no uncertain terms.

In some form or other, the liquor question has received consideration in nearly every grand jurisdiction in the United States, and all of

them, save one (could this mean Illinois?) have imposed restrictions on the members within the jurisdiction. The one referred to gives each subordinate lodge complete jurisdiction over the members in reference to the matter of temperance, while all the others have enacted comprehensive and positive law on the subject.

The saloon has become so great a menace to the moral upbuilding of the world at large, that masonry cannot maintain its integrity without in some manner putting its stamp of disapproval upon the evil: and to give effect thereto, but reflects the wisdom of the grand jurisdictions. What is here said with reference to this matter is but a reflection of what the different grand jurisdicions have expressed in their different laws.

The same committee recommended recognition of the Grand Orient of the Ottoman Empire. This is pretty thin ice for skating. It is better to think twice and then let the grand orients wait awhile.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Of proceedings of grand lodges is presented by Bro. Geo. T. Black. This is a brief report and concerned chiefly in summarizing the work of grand lodges. The review of Illinois is for 1909. In referring to Brother Bell's comments about the ignorance of masonic law by officers of lodges, Brother Black says—

This is a regrettable fact in all jurisdictions. If the officers and even members would make anything like studious efforts to inform themselves upon masonic law and usage much labor would be saved to the grand master. In fact if one should be so fortunate as to be honored with a station or office in a subordinate lodge he should feel enough self-esteem as to inform himself as to the requirements of his official position, and masonic law in general.

OUR ORATION.

Of Brothers Rogers' oration, he says-

The right worshipful grand orator, Bro. Euclid B. Rogers, delivered his annual oration, his subject being "The World Getting Better." It is a splendid literary effort, but as a masonic document we cannot so cheerfully commend it. It is full of morals and well meaning, but contains little of general masonic interest.

The report says that "The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was almost entirely prepared by Brother Robbins before his death, but was completed by Bro. Edward Cook. It is a scholarly document, and bears evidence of much time and labor spent in its preparation."

Our good brother is quite in error. Brother Robbins had scarcely begun his work when disease laid him low. The report is almost wholly

the work of Brother Cook. Its excellence is apparent and he should have his due credit.

Grand master, F. G. Lindsey, Bentonville; grand secretary, Fay Hempstead, Little Rock.

BRITISH COLUMBIA—1911.

56 Lodges.

ANNUAL.

5.017 Members.

The proceedings of 400 pages tell of masonry in this far north-western British province of North America. The book is handsomely printed and the proceedings well arranged. There is an almost total absence of the English flavor. It is very much American in form, language and customs. The annual meeting was held at Victoria June 22 and 23, 1911. Proceedings reached the Illinois reviewer September 1, being considerably earlier than last year.

Progress is reported, the gain in membership being 468.

Report is made of two "emergent communications."

W. Bro. W. W. Northcott, representative of Illinois, was present.

The grand master in his address notes that the coronation of King George was taking place at the very time of the convening of their grand lodge. At his suggestion the greetings of the masons of British Columbia were cabled to the Duke of Connaught, the grand master of the English grand lodge. These were to be conveyed to the British sovereign.

ILLINOIS' DISTINGUISHED DEAD.

In referring to the fraternal dead Grand Master PAUL says-

To this number I ought to add the revered name of Most Worshipful Brother John Corson Smith, Past Grand Master of Illinois, and Honorary Past Grand Master of this Jurisdiction. A gallant soldier, a true patriot and an ideal freemason, he was honored and beloved by the craft not only in his own country, but in the world generally. I suggest that a letter of sympathy be sent from this grand lodge to the grand lodge of Illinois, who are particularly affected by his loss.

Later a full memorial page is given to Brother SMITH. The death of the late P.G.M. JOHN M. PEARSON is also presented.

ABOUT THEIR LAW.

The grand master reported seven rulings or decisions. One of these held that, where an amendment to a lodge by-law is presented and lies over for consideration, the amendment cannot be amended without again deferring consideration. This is the attitude of the Illinois grand lodge made law by affirming a decision of Grand Master Wright. The grand lodge of British Columbia overruled the grand master's decision. If an amendment can be thus made the provision for amendments lying over becomes useless. A member can have a new law enacted without notice to him. A most monstrous decision is that an unaffiliated mason can be made an honorary member of a lodge with the right to vote on the admission of candidates. In other words a membership merely by courtesy gives the right to the highest privileges of the lodge. Fortunately a level-headed committee dissented.

The "charity account" involves the sum of \$6,000. A balance of \$4,000 remained with which to start another year.

The spirit of welcome on the part of the city of Victoria was so robust that even on the second day the grand lodge was called off to allow the mayor of the city to give them the glad voice.

The committee on petitions and grievances has acquired the excellent Illinois fashion of leaving the names of the accused out of the proceedings for discipline.

SOLOMON'S HOME.

On the second evening the grand chaptain made an excellent address taking as his text, "Solomon built him a house." Only one paragraph can be given here. He says—

Every king has built an house of some kind in a sense; for every king has left his mark. It may be for good or evil. Of Edward VII. we might say that his house was a temple of peace, that of Victoria the house was of domestic virtue and a people's love. Some houses have been enduring, some worthless; as houses are built of "gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble."

In the list of grand representatives "near other grand lodges" our genial Bro. James McCredie is moved from Aurora to Freeport. Perhaps in the far-off British province there seems little difference but Brother McCredie lives at Aurora and not Freeport. He objects to being moved without his consent.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Was written by the new grand secretary, Bro. W. A. DeWolf Smith. The report covers about 250 pages and is thorough and exhaustive. In

a semi-apology for the length, Brother Smith says that he has "endeavored to atone for some of our sins of omission last year." To show that there was need of picking up the lost cords, it is noted that the report includes twenty-two double headers. The review of these was for 1909 and 1910. Now that Brother Smith is up to date his task will be lighter.

HE SEES ILLINOIS DOUBLE.

Among the twenty-two doubles Illinois takes its place. Although dated "1910" the first review is of 1900 proceedings.

Regarding our departed ones he says-

Their losses by death during the year were heavy, the list including such well-known names as Joseph Robbins and Loyal L. Munn. Brother Robbins served the grand lodge on many important committees and as grand master, but was best known for his work as writer of the reports on foreign correspondence. As the grand master says, "he stood for nearly half a century, like a lighthouse on a hill," to warn them of danger and to guide them into a safe harbor. Standing, as he always did, "for the dignity and pre-eminence of ancient craft masonry," his death is a loss to masonry at large. Bro. Loyal L. Munn was for many years grand secretary, and also for many years representative of the grand lodge of British Columbia near that of Illinois, and we sympathize most deeply with the craft of Illinois in the loss of these distinguished brethren. It is gratifying to find a portrait of each of these faithful workers in the proceedings.

Of Brother Bell's address he says that "altogether it is one of the best we have had the pleasure of reading."

More About Mexico.

Brother Smith heartily agrees with the attitude of Illinois as is shown in the following;

The perennial—at least it seems to be perennial in Illinois—question of the recognition of the grand lodge Valle de Mexico again came before grand lodge. It was decided in the negative at the session of 1906, and one would have thought that the able presentation of the case by M.W. Brother Robbins at that time would have effectively and finally disposed of it so far as the grand lodge of Illinois is concerned.

He then reviews the resolution of Brother Moulton, the report of the committee, the views of the minority and the action of the grand lodge. Full approval is given to the action taken.

PROCEEDINGS FOR 1910.

Brother SMITH begins by saying that "the address—we beg pardon, the report of the grand master, M.W. Bro. Albert B. Ashley, is a document which fills thirty-eight closely-printed pages." Our Canadian brother is hereby advised that Grand Master Ashley was strictly cor-

rect in using the word "report" rather than "address." The Illinois constitution and our grand master on this agree exactly.

WE GOT IT FIXED.

Brother Smith expresses concern over the limitation in our special charter regarding the amount of property that can be held by the grand lodge and its constituent lodges. He recommends "disincorporating" as the easiest way out of the difficulty. There was a better plan. A committee prepared a bill and secured its passage through the Illinois legislature removing all limitations and allowing all fraternal organizations to hold all the property necessary to carry out their aims and purposes. This wins over "disincorporating" by several laps.

EXCUSES NON-AFFILIATES.

Referring to Brother Ashley's paragraph on masons who hold aloof from membership in lodges and yet want to enjoy lodge privileges, he excuses them by saying that—

Possibly these brethren have other, and good, reasons for not joining the local lodge. Perhaps they cannot afford it, or they may not care for some of the members of the lodge. In any case the proposed punishment seems excessive for a brother who has committed no offense.

No brother in Illinois who "cannot afford it" is ever "deprived of all masonic rights and privileges." His dues are promptly and cheerfully remitted. By refusing voluntary non-affiliates after one year there is no punishment excessive or otherwise. Every mason who holds a dimit and does not seek membership in a lodge retains all the rights and privileges of masons, but cannot expect to be accorded lodge rights and courtesies. If he desired them he would petition for membership.

CLUBS AND LARGE LODGES.

Brother Smith heartily approves of the Illinois correspondent's attitude regarding masonic clubs. He thinks the lodge itself is the best club, but suggests that when lodges become overgrown that many are deprived of the social features of masonry.

Exception is taken to the statement that "a masonic lodge collects money for purposes of benevolences and charity only." He says he knows of no law of that kind. There may be no written law but the general spirit and aim of freemasonry is for benevolence and the relief of a worthy distressed brother, his widow and orphan. If lodges spend their money for outside purposes the very aims of the craft will be defeated. Will Brother Smith indicate what purposes are legitimate beyond those named?

The exclusion of the Eastern Star from masonic halls is explained as follows; "In British Columbia the lodge rooms are restricted to masonic uses." It takes a pretty strict construction of the law to exclude the Eastern Star and admit chapters, commanderies and consistories. One is as much masonic as the other, except R.A. masons.

Grand master, F. J. Burd, Vancouver; grand secretary, W. A. DE-Wolf Smith, New Westminster.

CALIFORNIA-1910.

343 Lodges.

61ST ANNUAL.

43,675 MEMBERS.

The annual session of the Grand Lodge of California begins each year on the same day that our own convenes. It differs from us in the time taken to complete its work. In Illinois we hold one session a day from 9 a. m. to about 2 p. m., closing on the third day at noon. In California the sessions run two each day from Tuesday until Friday. We transact the business of over 100,000 members and about 800 lodges at three sessions while the "golden gate" grand lodge, with 44,000 members and 343 lodges, requires eight sessions to complete its work. Illinois sets a good example for speed and thoroughness in conducting its business.

The California proceedings are an imposing volume of 471 pages, well printed and well put together. The annual session for 1910 was held at San Francisco October 11-14. Prosperity is shown in the substantial gain of 2668 in membership as well as in many other ways.

SHROUDED IN GLOOM.

The book opens with a fine likeness of the late W. Frank Pierce, grand master for the year closing. Brother Pierce was permitted to live until within a few days of the annual session of the grand lodge. It convened October 11 and he died October 3. His report was written by his own hand and was read in grand lodge within a week after his burial. Truly this seems almost literally a voice from the grave. Appropriate services were held in his memory and fitting eulogies were pronounced.

THE ANNUAL ADDRESS.

Among the early sentences written by Brother Pierce is this, "The ranks of our own grand officers and past grand officers remain complete

with one exception." He little thought that so soon his own hand would lose its cunning and that the mind that directed it would be dethroned. Reference is made to the death of our own loved member as follows

JOHN MILLS PEARSON, P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, and for fifty years a member of the grand lodge of that jurisdiction, died June 4, 1910.

RELIEF MEASURES.

The grand master reports that \$500 were sent to Paris to relieve the sufferers from the great floods. California has an extensive and effective system of relief of sojourning Masons. Owing to the large number who go to the far west on account of "the glorious climate of Californy" there is more than usual need of creating and maintaining effective agencies for relief. In all the large centers of population like Los Angeles and San Francisco excellent boards of relief are in successful operation. Full reports from these bodies appear in the proceedings. The Board of Relief at Los Angeles reports the receipt of \$914.82 from Illinois and that \$1.373.57 were paid out on account of Illinois Masons.

WHAT HAS BEEN DONE.

The work of the Boards of Relief is summarized by the correspondent, Bro. Edward H. Hart, as follows;

The board of relief system in vogue in the jurisdiction of California is the most complete and comprehensive of any jurisdiction in the world, and as a matter of fact, California not only does more for the relief of distressed sojourning brethren from other jurisdictions than any other jurisdiction in the United States, but more than all other American jurisdictions combined. The direct appropriation by the Grand Lodge of California for the support of its boards of relief for the care of indigent masons from other jurisdictions, none of which is ever returned to the grand lodge, aggregates, since the formation of our board of relief system, more than \$300,000, and this amount has been largely supplemented by the contributions from individual lodges forming the boards of relief in our large cities, the grand lodge requiring from each lodge tributary to a board of relief in our cities having the same, a monthly contribution of 8 cents per member, or nearly \$1 a year from each member, and, as stated, this is in addition to the direct appropriations from the grand lodge to the several boards.

Certainly all can take off their hats to California in the volume of relief extended to "a needy worthy brother" sojourning from afar.

The grand master reports that he requires strict compliance with the legal requirements for special dispensations. This appears to be the drift of sentiment throughout the masonic world. The exercise of the power of dispensation has been seriously overworked in some quarters.

THEIR TWO HOMES.

There are two Homes, one at San Gabriel for children, and the other at Decoto for aged and indigent Masons and their dependents. Recently the boards of management have been consolidated and now both Homes are under the control of a single board as in Illinois. This board consists of five members. Bro. Edward Coleman, grand treasurer, evidently believes that the needs of the aged and helpless should be supplied. A gift of \$40,000 for a hospital at the Decoto Home has come from Brother Coleman and the building is well-nigh completed. Such a grand treasurer is one to be appreciated. Both Homes are in a prosperous condition. It costs California Masons \$1.00 each per year to sustain them. In Illinois we pay but 35c for charity but we have more than twice as large a membership. At the Decoto Home there are 60 men and 32 women. There were 13 deaths, 10 men and 3 women. At San Gabriel there are 45 children, 25 boys and 20 girls. During the year 25 were admitted and 6 discharged.

But Few Decisions.

Only four decisions are reported. The grand master found that the laws were ample for most cases and rarely found it necessary "to legislate by decisions." Only one of these has general interest and that is scarcely needed. The grand master decided that a lodge could not adjourn to another time but must close before leaving.

A Considerable Sum.

The interest received on grand lodge money on deposit in the banks constitutes a very considerable asset. The amount during the year was \$1,503.43. This went into the several funds from which it was derived.

No Per Diem.

Representatives of lodges do not fare so well as in this state. Here mileage and per diem are enough to allow the frugal a little spending money in addition to actual expenses. In California a proposition to allow representatives their actual traveling expenses was voted down. Unless lodges come to their rescue the representatives will have to serve for nothing and pay their expenses for the good of the cause.

It was decided that lodges should not confer degrees for other states unless the request be attested by the grand secretary of the foreign jurisdiction. This will effectually put a crimp in the schemes of the clandestine lodge.

A Business Document.

The grand orator, Charles A. Adams, got out of the beaten track of history, theory and philosophy and took for his theme "Masonry in Business and Politics." His oration was so well received that the grand lodge ordered that 10,000 copies in pamphlet form be printed for distribution. It was a fine address and well worth careful reading. A brief extract or two will show its sterling worth.

MASONRY IN BUSINESS.

I care not how far, nor with what speed he may have progressed in the fraternity. He may be so well provided with the world's goods that he may have been able to pay for degrees enough to make him what the ignorant term "A high Mason;" he may be privileged to wear on his fob the cross of Malta, or the double eagle, and in the lapel of his coat, the scimitar and claws: he may be a thrice illustrious prince, a sovereign master or an imperial potentate,—but if he be a grocer and sell sand for sugar, he is not a Mason;—if he be a tailor, and for wool, sell shoddy, he is not a Mason;—if he be a lawyer and instigate and encourage litigation, or otherwise attempt to obtain a benefit for himself at the expense of his client, or by improper methods, a benefit for his client to which, under the law, he is not entitled, he is not a Mason;—if he be an employer of labor and take an unfair advantage of the poverty and distress of those who must hire to him, he is not a Mason;—if he be an employee and fail in the duty expressed in the quaint language of the ancient charges "truly to see and work for the advantage" of him by whom he is employed, he is not a Mason.

This is the gospel truth of freemasonry and needs to be pondered. Here is another.

MASONRY IN POLITICS.

I believe that there is no higher duty devolving upon us as *masons* than the duty we owe the state as *citizens*; and one of the highest duties devolving upon an American citizen is that which requires him to concern himself with, and take a part in, politics—not politics in that vile sense of artful or dishonest efforts to secure the success of party schemes, or even in that less objectionable, but still restricted, sense of the management of a political party; but politics in that higher, broader and larger sense which may be best defined as that part of ethics which concerns the regulation of a nation, state or community, and the preservation of its safety, peace and prosperity.

In other words masonry in business and politics means honesty in every day life and an active interest in the affairs of our country.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Of grand lodges was again written by Bro. EDWARD H. HART who presents a complete summary of the news of the masonic world as gleaned

from the proceedings of the various grand bodies. Nearly six pages are devoted to Illinois. He thinks that the appropriation of something in excess of \$135,000 for our two Homes is "evidence of the broad spirit of generosity" entertained for our dependents.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Is rated as "a comprehensive statement of his official actions during the year." He alludes to Brother Bell's reference to Brother Robbins and says that he was "ungrudgingly conceded by every member of the grand jurisdiction to be the most commanding figure in Illinois masonry and who was throughout the masonic world recognized as one of the greatest masonic scholars and writers that this country has ever produced."

Few Decisions Needed.

The reviewer gives strong endorsement to the idea that Brother Bell expressed, that no decisions were necessary. He then says

In a jurisdiction containing nearly 100 000 members, being numerically the second jurisdiction in the United States, this circumstance that no new decisions were rendered, is in marked contrast to certain other jurisdictions in our country with memberships of possibly ten or fifteen thousand masons, rendering so-called "decisions" numbering sometimes from seventy-five to a hundred, which naturally lead to the conclusion that many of the so-called decisions of certain grand masters are pure fabrications designed by the authors to *embalm* themselves in the digest.

Regarding the decision of our grand lodge refusing recognition to Valle de Mexico Brother Hart says

Brother Robbins, during his life time, was probably the foremost advocate in the United States of the system of pure masonry, consistently refusing recognition to all so-called grand lodges of not legitimate origin, and the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico is unquestionably of this character.

High praise is given of Brother Rogers' oration.

BROTHER COOK'S REPORT

Is classed as "an able, painstaking, comprehensive and masterful review."

Grand master, Dana Reid Weller, Los Angeles; grand secretary John Whicher, Hewes Bldg., San Francisco.

CANADA-1910.

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

413 Lodges.

SSTH ANNUAL.

46,000 MEMBERS.

The volume recording the business of this grand lodge for the year 1910 contains 584 pages. This is one among the large books. This session was held at Belleville, July, 1010. The splendid picture of Grand Master Macwatt again appears to grace the proceedings.

Two specials were held to lay corner stones. The records show that Abraham Shaw, our representative near that grand lodge, was present. The mayor of Belleville is a mason and bade them welcome to his city in a brief but forceful address. To this the grand master "made a most suitable and gracious reply." These preliminaries over, the decks were cleared for action. J. A. Cameron, grand master, and Will H. Whyte, grand secretary of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, were given cordial masonic greeting.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

One of the ablest and longest among similar documents was the annual report of the grand master. It took 46 pages to record the masonic work of the year. The death of KING EDWARD is reported at considerable length. His life is summarized in the following, "No three kings in the whole range of British history enjoyed at any time such universal affection as was given to EDWARD VII throughout his life."

GETTING TO BE BIG.

The grand master notes that the grand lodge is getting so large as to be unwieldy. It is not easy to find a city that can readily accommodate it. He thinks there should be power to change the location if it appears that the place chosen cannot furnish adequate entertainment. It appears that all past masters are members and each has a vote. There are 3,500 past masters. If they should all attend the session it would make a very bulky body. In Illinois past masters collectively have one vote. This simplifies matters very much. Our grand lodge is a controllable body even though our membership is over 101,000.

SOME ON STYLE.

Here is a paragraph that looks rather queer to American eyes.

At a meeting of the board of general purposes held at Loudon last year, after the close of grand lodge, it was unanimously decided that in future evening dress should be worn only at lodge or grand lodge meetings, when held in the evening.

Masonry rarely goes on dress parade, but when it does "swallow tails" are the thing.

AMERICAN RELIEF ASSOCIATION.

The grand master says that-

The General Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada has been of inestimable benefit to the craft in this jurisdiction. We affiliated with the association twenty-one years ago, and, through the warning circulars which are issued monthly to every lodge and board of relief, many thousands of dollars per year are saved to the craft.

It is estimated that since the founding of the association in the United States, nearly twenty-three years ago, some hundreds of thousands of dollars have been saved to the craft of the American jurisdictions affiliated. A reputable authority, who is well informed as to the result of the work of the association, says that many thousands of dollars per year have been saved by the affiliation of this grand lodge and other grand lodges of the dominion.

Complaint is made that lodges of Canada invade the jurisdiction of other grand lodges. To avoid this an amendment was introduced requiring residence in Ontario for one year as a requisite to the right to petition for the degrees. Such has long been the law of Illinois.

GOING TO CHURCH IN REGALIA,

Grand Master Macwart is very sound on the practice of lodges going to church and wearing regalia. He says—

I am inclined to the opinion of several grand masters of sister grand lodges that church processions should not be allowed. They often engender religious quarrels as to the church where the service shall be held. This should be a good reason in itself. But I have noticed that many members appear on the street in regalia on such occasions, who never, or hardly ever, enter a lodge, and in several cases some are very prominent in the procession, who could safely have been kept out of our ranks.

There is too much "parade" about such processions, especially when other masonic bodies are permitted to appear in their regalia. This is illegal and should not be allowed, and in future it will be necessary to discipline a master permitting it.

Why can we not attend church without regalia and without a band blaring at the head of the procession? Is it for display we appear outside our lodge rooms, or to worship Him we profess to serve?

I would confine the regalia to the lodge room or to grand lodge and forbid our appearing outside, in such, on any occasion, except for the laying of a corner stone.

The grand master also holds that dancing and card playing should not be permitted in lodge rooms.

No Past Masters by Dispensation.

Only Royal Arch Masons are recognized under the Canada constitution. Other bodies built on Masonry are not officially known.

They have the past-master-degree relic in a new form. Requests were made to confer the rank of past master upon brothers who had never been occupants of the oriental chair. They had served for years as treasurer or secretary and sought the distinction of being made past masters by dispensation. The grand master is much of an autocrat but he has no power to make a man a past master. He can only be such by service. It would be ridiculous to dub a man a past governor because he had for years been secretary of state. It is needless to say that the dispensations were refused.

TURNED THEM OUT.

The Order of the Eastern Star had its doom sealed. The grand master held that it was not masonic. He made an order prohibiting lodges from allowing the Chapters O.E.S. to meet in lodge rooms. A district deputy was instructed to see that a certain lodge turned the good sisters out. And they did it. The Eastern Star is not masonic and does not claim to be. It distinctly disavows this position and in its ritual so teaches. This, however, does not justify a lodge in refusing to allow an organization which is composed wholly of masons and their wives, mothers, sisters and daughters from meeting in a lodge room. It looks very narrow and unreasonable.

RULINGS OF THE GRAND MASTER.

The grand master made and reported twenty-seven decisions. Many of these are of no general interest. In one he holds that a reputable citizen, in every other way worthy, cannot be admitted if he has an artificial foot. Illinois agrees. Grand Master Ashley and the grand lodge administered rather severe discipline on a master who thought he might evade the law of physical qualification. A brother who is a member of two lodges may hold office in each. The grand master doubts the wisdom of such a proceeding. The weak spot is in dual membership. One lodge is enough for any man. In a case when a member intimates that he will black ball everyone who applies, the grand master holds that he should be put on trial.

A VERY USEFUL MAN.

The records show that R.W. Bro. Aubrey White, deputy grand master, makes nearly all the motions and presents most of the reports. From the frequency of his name in the proceedings he might easily become wearied of seeing it. Possibly the Canada law requires the D.G.M. to do this to earn his salary.

The report of the committee on the "Condition of Masonry" shows that every one of the 413 lodges was visited by the grand master or his representative. This is a record rarely equaled. Under the head of "the fraternal dead" the passing away of our past grand master, John M. Pearson is noted.

RECOGNITION OF GRAND BODIES.

The request of Romania and Turkey for recognition was denied. Brazil was postponed, her record not being satisfactory. District deputy grand masters are installed as other officers. In Illinois you scarcely know that they are on earth, except in purging the grand lodge and in passing the mileage and per diem orders.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

The review of grand lodges was written by M.W. Bro. A. T. Freed. It was his first offense but of it he need not be ashamed. It is a worthful and interesting report. In his introductory, Brother Freed refers to his predecessor, M.W. Bro. Henry Robertson, as the dean of the diplomatic corps. Owing to ill health Brother Robertson laid down the work after twenty-seven years of continuous service. He also wrote the reports of grand chapter and grand priory. For all three bodies he presented sixty-four annual reviews. This is undoubtedly a hard record to break.

Brother Freed gives an exhaustive review of the masonic homes of the world. He says that the average annual cost per capita for maintenance is \$200. His conclusion is to continue their present system of sporadic charity, if anything sporadic can be a system.

THE REVIEW OF ILLINOIS

Is brief. Of the address of Grand Master Bell he says that it "is a good practical document, in which he attends strictly to business without many flights of oratory. Still, he has some figures of speech racy of the soil and breathing the unfettered thought of the free and independent west. For example: 'We have no more use for a national grand lodge than a duck has for an umbrella.' Again: 'The ordinary surety

company is merely a handsome desk in a handsome office, with a smoothtalking gentleman on one side of the desk and a sucker on the other."

"The death of Past Grand Master Joseph Robbins is recorded. For half a century Brother Robbins was a commanding figure in Illinois Masonry."

Of Brother Cook's report he says that "the foreign correspondence is ably conducted by M.W. Bro. Edmund Cook." A summary is then given with brief quotations.

Grand master, Daniel F. Macwatt, Sarnia; grand secretary, R. L. Gunn, Hamilton.

COLORADO-1910.

118 Lodges.

50TH ANNUAL.

14.311 MEMBERS.

One of the handsomest books coming to the writer's table is that of Colorado. It takes 640 pages to record the business of the year. The annual session was held at Denver September 20 and 21. Nine special communications are reported. These were mostly for corner stones and constituting new lodges. A fine half-tone gives the attractive features of Albert B. McGaffey, the grand master for 1910-11.

OUR DISTINGUISHED REPRESENTATIVE.

Among representatives of other grand lodges was Henry M. Teller, who is the representative of Illinois near the Grand Lodge of Colorado. We should be proud that we have so distinguished a friend at court. M.W. Bro. Teller has been secretary of the interior and for years a United States senator. He is no less distinguished as a mason. He was grand master in 1863 and 1864 and has kept up active interest in free-masonry ever since. He is the nestor of Colorado masonry and Illinois should feel proud of such a representative.

Annual Address.

Grand Master Musser presented a very interesting review of his work during the year. Among other good things he said—

Without design to do so, without show or ostentation, but because of its unfaltering adherence to the first principles of sound morality and right, its refusal to be led astray by popular clamor or to pose for

popular favor, its quiet dignity and stately deportment, masonry in this jurisdiction has become a great institution, influential for the advancement of those moral qualities that make for the betterment of social and civic conditions.

The death of P.G.M. John M. Pearson is recorded among the distinguished dead.

WAS VERY ACCOMMODATING.

Among special dispensations issued there were thirteen to set aside the requirements of law for the ballot. Eight were to enable lodges to attend divine service. This shows a lack of discrimination. Few lodges need to have a special rule for admitting candidates. The ballot is too sacred to tamper with by dispensation. Lodges attending divine service are likely to become involved in sectarian wrangles. To say the least the whole plan is questionable.

Only three rulings are reported. These are purely local and in general harmony with our law.

TRIENNIAL IN 1913.

Steps were taken to entertain the many masons who will be in Denver during the knights templar conclave in 1913. A committee was appointed to take steps necessary to see that Denver gives the glad hand to the visitors, not only as christian knights, but as masons as well.

The report of the grand secretary is ideal. As the clerk of the grand lodge he does not attempt to arrogate to himself the functions of the grand master. He confines his report strictly to facts and figures. He neither indulges in rhetoric, hyperbole nor symbolism. He is content to be simply grand secretary and let his eloquence shine in graceful figures and convincing statistics.

MASONRY IN REALITY.

The trustees of the benevolent fund report that during the year relief has been given to 8 widows, 15 dependent children and 3 indigent brethren. Further the report says, "Besides which one widow received temporary relief to get her out of the hands of a loan shark by which she has been enabled to support herself and refund all the money advanced to her."

Bro. Fred E. Angore delivered an oration which brought forth thanks from the grand lodge and an order to print it in the proceedings.

The committee on jurisprudence reported that an entered apprentice was as a right entitled to a dimit on his request. In Illinois dimits are only issued to master masons.

USE KEYS.

A resolution was adopted prohibiting the use by anyone of a "key" in opening or closing a lodge or in any part of the work. The best way to avoid this abuse is to have no key. Brethren will learn the work easier and retain it better "from mouth to ear" than with all keys in masondom. Illinois speaks from knowledge, having never had a cipher and still can show a more complete and perfect system of work than any grand lodge using it. Brethren, throw your key in the well.

SEMI-CENTURY.

On Tuesday evening a celebration of the 50th anniversary of the grand lodge was held at the Central Presbyterian church. An elaborate program was presented. Music and addresses were all that could be asked on such an occasion. A historical address by Bro. Chas. H. Jacobson, grand secretary, gave a summary of the records of all grand lodge sessions from beginning to date. Fine pictures of all the past grand masters intersperse the record of the meeting.

Annual Review.

Bro. Lawrence N. Greenleaf, for the committee on correspondence, presents his 26th report. It is thorough and makes most interesting reading. Illinois is given ample attention in six and one-half pages. A running summary of the business of the session is presented, with little comment. He says that—

A very fine oration was delivered by Bro, Euclid B. Rogers, grand orator, who took for his subject, "The World is Growing Better." It was entirely optimistic in tone, and his views upon the subject of brotherhood were eloquent and inspiring.

Brother Cook's Report.

The report on correspondence is a volume of 343 pages, and goes out, as Brother Cook says, with its emblems of sorrow in the foreground, having, besides the portrait of the late distinguished correspondent, a biographical sketch, followed by tributes of love, affection and appreciation from members of the guild who lament the loss of one who, as their acknowledged head, had endeared himself to all.

Quotations relating to Colorado are taken liberally. He closes as follows;

Brother Cook was the choice of Brother Robbins as his successor, and Grand Master Bell also recognized in him one well qualified to take up the work, and the report before us fully justifies his selection.

Brother Greenleaf deplores the troubles in Mexico but suggests nothing remedial. He expresses the opinion that the friction between

Mississippi and New Jersey over the negro question will all "come out in the wash."

Grand master, Albert B. McGaffey, Denver; grand secretary, Chas. H. Jacobson, Denver.

CONNECTICUT—1911.

110 LODGES.

123RD ANNUAL.

23,251 MEMBERS.

The 1911 proceedings of the grand lodge of the "wooden nut-meg" state come in handsome dress and fill about 300 pages. The cover page is attractive with the scal and masonic emblems in gold. The usual picture of the retiring grand master serves as a frontispiece. Two "emergent" and the annual communications are recorded. The annual was held at New Haven January 18 and 19, 1911. George E. Parsons, the Illinois representative, was present during the session.

THE ANNUAL ADDRESS

Of Fred A. Verplanck, grand master, was full of instructive information. He notes the death of Past Grand Master John M. Pearson, of Illinois, also the passing of P.G.M. Fred H. Waldron, of Connecticut.

Of the dispensations issued many were to authorize lodges to attend church as a lodge and with masonic clothing. This is required by the law of that grand lodge. The grand master very pointedly states that he does not believe in this practice. He gives his position in the following language. "In my opinion we have all been wrong and no lodge should appear in regalia except for the purpose of performing masonic work or attending divine worship in celebration of Saints John's Days. The law on this point is absolute in many jurisdictions. I firmly believe that the latter view should prevail and that no lodge should appear in regalia except for the purpose above stated." The brother is quite right in the light of Illinois law. Even the Sts. Johns' days are not permitted.

Few Decisions.

Only three decisions are reported. But one is of any outside interest. This involves the question of a non-affiliate who has been rejected in applying for membership on dimit. The grand master holds that the doctrine of perpetual personal jurisdiction does not apply. It only holds

in case of rejection on petition for the degrees. In Illinois there is no law of jurisdiction, territorial, personal or otherwise pertaining to non-affiliates. They can apply for membership wherever, whenever and as often as they choose.

Permission was given the Washington Memorial Association to solicit voluntary contributions in Connecticut.

The representatives of the grand lodges of England, Ireland, Scotland, Quebec and New Zealand were appointed as a committee to confer with similar committees from other grand lodges to prepare for the celebration of the 200th anniversary of the formation of the United Grand Lodge of England in 1917.

THE MASONIC HOME

Is in excellent condition and caring in a proper way for all masonic dependents. The Masonic Charity Foundation is the name of the organization having it in charge. The money is raised as follows;

- 1. From each affiliated mason not "a thirty year mason," 90 cents.
- 2. From each brother initiated \$5.00.
- 3. From every affiliated brother \$5.00.

An appeal was made to the "thirty year masons" and they responded by giving \$1,248 to the Home. These favored brothers pay no dues, hence they were asked to do something for this good cause. As the records show that there are 4,633 of these who are exempt from all dues and charges the sum given may be considered their estimate of the measure of their duty to care for the needy mason.

WHAT ARE 30-YEAR MASONS?

So far as it can be ascertained from the proceedings they are a highly favored class who are willing to allow the young and active members to pay all the expense attending masonry and the privileges of the lodge. The reason for the exemption is that these brethren have for 30 years paid their due share of the lodge expenses. In Connecticut there are 23,251 affiliated master masons. Of these 4,633 are "30-year masons." About 20 percent, or one in every five, are exempt from dues. The young masons are thus required to pay 20 percent more dues than if all bore an equal share in the burdens of membership. In other states life membership or exemption from dues has been disastrous. There is no reason for this discrimination. A mason does nothing more than bear his part of the financial load of his lodge when he pays his dues each year. It is simply his duty to do so. When a man has been a mason for thirty years, he ought to be so well to do that he can pay the

small amount of dues without inconvenience. The younger men are less able to pay as a rule. A privileged class in a lodge is a detriment to its growth and prosperity. Illinois abolished all such exemptions years ago. The result has been most satisfactory.

FRIENDLY TO THE STAR.

The grand master makes special mention of the Eastern Star. He notes that it is growing rapidly in numbers and in favor among masons. He then adds—

The order is a veritable handmaid to the masonic fraternity. During the year substantial gifts from the order have been received at the Masonic Home and the cost of extensive repairs have been borne by the order.

I wish to give public expression of the thanks of the masonic fraternity to the Order of the Eastern Star.

SAFER LODGE ROOMS NEEDED.

Attention is called to lodge rooms that are unsafe. Usually we refer to the danger of exposing secrets when the safety of the lodge rooms is mentioned. Grand Master Verflanck alludes to the personal safety of the brethren in "lodge rooms on the top floors of buildings several stories high." Often there is but one stairway and "many times this is narrow and crooked." In ordinary times it is sufficient but in case of fire or panic when the room is crowded there would be loss of life. He recommends that better exits be provided. This is a timely suggestion and lodges in Illinois might with profit do likewise.

EXTERNAL QUALIFICATIONS.

Under the above heading the grand master gives the following sage counsel and timely warning—

There seems to be a constant temptation to lower the standard of the external qualifications of certain candidates. The temptation to do so often arises when there is absolutely no question as to the internal qualifications of the candidate, and judging from this standpoint only he would be a most desirable member. Several candidates have been elected during the year whose external qualifications were such that the lodge electing them but barely escaped a breach of masonic law. There should be no lowering of the standard set forth in the masonic law of this jurisdiction governing the external qualifications of candidates.

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Was again written by M.W. Bro. Frank W. Havens, the grand secretary. This is the brother's third offense and he can easily be convicted of writing a good report. The space allotted to Illinois is rather limited but it

contains a brief summary of our 1910 session. Brother Ashley's report is referred to as "a brief but business-like paper."

Of Grand Orator Frank G. Smith he says "a masterful oration was pronounced which we should be glad to quote from did space permit." The correspondence report of Illinois for last year is mentioned in an approving manner. He says further that—

He thinks that our report was well written, but that we miss a great deal in not going deeper into that of Illinois. We plead guilty, but under extenuating circumstances.

There is no evidence of reform, but Illinois is dealt with even more gingerly than before. The Connecticut reviewer is so much afraid of being personal and giving offense that he refrains from mentioning the names of grand master, grand orator, correspondent or any others shown in the Illinois proceedings of the grand lodge.

Grand master, Randolph B. Chapman, Madison; grand secretary, Frank B. Havens, Hartford.

CUBA-1910.

63 Lodges.

2,630 Members.

The proceedings in English not coming to hand the following review is taken bodily from the proceedings of Pennsylvania for 1911—

The grand lodge of the Island of Cuba held quarterly communications as follows: June 27, September 26, and December 26, A. D. 1909, and the annual in two sessions, March 27 and April 3, A. D. 1910.

Most Worshipful Brother Calixto Fajardo, grand master.

The address of the grand master and the introduction of the report on correspondence are given in English, as well as, of course, in Spanish. The year has had its difficulties and discouragements, but the grand lodge has pursued its way successfully. A library is to be formed in the property which belongs to the grand lodge, two views of which are given; we have also a picture showing the officers of the grand lodge on December 5, 1909, when the fiftieth anniversary of the grand lodge was duly celebrated.

Our brethren have not forgotten masonic teachings; as witness this from the grand master's address—

"Notwithstanding the serious economical obligations weighing upon the grand lodge treasury, we have contributed to help the public calamities that befell to the inhabitants of important districts of this country in the month of October past. The grand master ordered that \$100 be sent to the relief committee and many lodges followed this move. Notwithstanding that they had just raised \$585.83 for the calamities of Sicily, in Italy, they contributed with \$348.22 for the victims of the Vuelta Abajo and Oriente cyclones, sum that was delivered in the hands of the president of the republic, Bro. Hon. José Miguel Gómez.

"The grand lodge also sent 100 blankets to the Correctional Asylum at Guanajay, to be used by the boys gathered there."

The report on correspondence is by the chairman, Bro. Francisco de P. Rodriguez, and from his introduction we quote:

"In New Hampshire a matter is being studied, which is needed in Cuba too, such is the protection of the word masonic. In the legislature of that state a bill has been introduced accepting the word masonic as the property of the regular grand lodge of the state, being a misdemeanor the use of such a word by any other association. We have an idea that such a law exists already in Pennsylvania. Such a law will be as convenient to Cuba as to any other grand lodge since it will help us from any person who, by inscribing in the records of our provincial local governments the title of any soi-dissant masonic society will think his as good a right as that of regular masons, deceiving in that way many candid people. The grand lodge of Cuba ought to ask the government to respect and protect such a name, as is the duty of any honest and law abiding governments to help such a pretension as a mean to avoid deceits and frauds.

"During the days 1st, 2d and 3d of June of the past year a solemn reunion was held in the city of Philadelphia of all the grand masters of all the grand lodges, to the east of the Mississippi river. After much discussion and after many truths were uttered it was agreed that each grand master present will recommend to their respective grand lodge eleven propositions or limits. But what satisfies and elates we Cubans is that out of those eleven propositions seven are already laws under our grand lodge, one more is almost observed (we require six months' previous residence of candidates for initiation and they desire one year). Among the recommended propositions is to be found the renunciation to the obligation before a clandestine lodge, the matter being considered a question of conscience rather than a point of law. Should there be any among us not satisfied with the facts it will be because no masonic heart beats in his breast."

Aurelio Miranda, of Havana, grand master; Carlos G. Charles, of Havana, grand secretary, re-elected.

DELAWARE—1910.

22 Lodges.

105TH ANNUAL.

3,131 MEMBERS.

It takes 188 pages to tell the masonic story for 1910. The book is well printed and attractive but there is evidence of a sad need of a proof-reader. One should be procured for the next year unless his "accesability" is impossible. The annual was held at Wilmington, October 5 and 6. A fine portrait of grand master, EDWARD B. Mode, graces the opening pages. The Illinois representative was not among those marked present.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Was essentially a business paper. No attempt is made to discuss grave principles or historical or esoteric teachings. In this respect it shows good taste and great merit. The grand master is chiefly a narrator of the deeds of the year under his direction and control.

A PROFITABLE CUSTOM.

Delaware has a large part in keeping up the commendable custom of interchange of visits among grand officers in the Atlantic states. Grand Master Mode found time and inclination to visit the sessions of grand lodge held in New Jersey, Maryland and Pennsylvania. Much good must result from these visits. Brother Mode, by proxy, participated in the meeting at Alexandria, Va., to prepare for a "memorial to Washington, the mason."

DECISIONS BUT NO LAW.

The grand master rendered decisions in several cases of differences between lodges and brethren but found it unnecessary to announce any general law.

As a result of the Philadelphia conference the grand master recommended that jurisdiction over rejected material be changed from perpetual to five years. The movement is gathering force and soon, it is to be hoped, there will be uniformity among grand lodges on the five-year basis.

HAVE NO MASONIC HOME.

The grand master strongly recommends the establishment of a Home for masonic dependents. With a membership of only 3,000 the task is not an easy one. The initial cost of establishing a Home is not in the ratio of membership. However, Delaware feeling the obligation of caring for the needy is not appalled by the magnitude of the undertaking.

Steps were taken looking to the establishment of a Home. A committee, headed by the grand master, was appointed. The condition precedent to action is that the Home may be started free from debt.

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Was written by Bro. L. H. Jackson. This document is strictly confined to summarizing the facts shown in the proceedings of various grand lodges. Scarcely a note of comment appears. Little room is found for quotation. One page is given to Illinois. This tribute is paid to Brother Robbins, "Words fail this writer to express his sorrow and regret at the loss of so eminent and distinguished a brother Mason. We held for him the highest esteem and regard as an able and courteous writer on Masonry."

He notes the death of Brother Munn and quotes Brother "bell's" tribute to our past grand secretary.

He says that "the report on masonic correspondence written and presented by Bro. Edward Cook, P.G.M., is a splendid review of the various masonic jurisdictions."

Grand master, G. LAYTON GRIER, Milford; grand secretary, V. V. HARRISON, Wilmington.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA-1910.

32 Lodges.

IOOTH ANNUAL.

9,005 Members.

Owing to the narrow territorial limits of the District of Columbia the grand lodge is practically that of the city of Washington, the national capital. Being the seat of government masonry found here is more cosmopolitan than that of any other American grand lodge.

A handsome volume of 444 pages details the doings of seven meetings, five of these being fixed by law and two specials. The stated meetings were held in March, May, September and December. Added to these comes that of St. John's day, December 27, at which officers are elected and installed.

One of the special meetings was devoted to paying a suitable tribute to the memory of P.G.M. DAVIS.

DEDICATES S. R. CATHEDRAL.

At the other special a Scottish Rite cathedral was dedicated. It is generally understood that only buildings devoted to ancient craft masonry can be dedicated. While corner stones of any edifice for public uses may be laid by the craft, the reason is not clear why the ceremonies are invoked in dedicating to any other than masonic purposes. The first stated communication for 1910 was held on March 12 and the time was given solely to the work of the several degrees. This is fixed in, and required by the constitution. P.G.M. WM. H. NICHOLS, of grand lodge of Texas, was given a fraternal welcome.

FUNERAL COMPLICATIONS.

Grand Master OBER recommended that an effort be made at the time of the death of a brother "to avoid needless and endless controversy between masters of lodges, members of families of deceased brethren and the clergy." The remedy proposed was that the master should proceed at once to ascertain the wishes of the deceased or his relatives. He should then confer with the heads of other societies in making funeral arrangements. This is going a long way. The method is simple as practiced by masons everywhere. If requested by the family, or if it was the desire of the deceased while living, that he should have masonic burial the masons take exclusive charge. If the masons are not asked to officiate they do not seek to do so and take no part. This avoids any conflict and renders it harmonious at a time so sacred to the family that a wrangle would almost amount to a crime.

On recommendation of the committee on correspondence the Ottoman grand lodge was denied recognition.

In his address at the annual meeting the grand master announces the death of P.G.M. John M. Pearson, of Illinois.

DO NOT NEED THEM.

The grand master was gratified to report that very few requests for dispensations had been asked and fewer still had been granted. There is a rapidly growing sentiment, throughout the masonic world, that the dispensation-mill has been running overtime. Laws should be so framed that little necessity could exist for the interposition of the grand master.

But one decision was rendered. This was of a purely local nature and does not bear any interest to outsiders.

WORK IN CHICAGO.

Regarding the visit of grand masters and other distinguished masons in Chicago during the Triennial Conclave of the Knights Templar, Grand Master Ober says:

On the evening of August 10, 1910, I had the honor, in company with W. Bro. T. John Newton, to accept an invitation to witness the conferring of the master mason degree in Lincoln Park Lodge No. 611, of Chicago, Ill. As the titular representative of this grand lodge I was received most courteously. The degree was conferred in a masterly manner in the presence of Most Worshipful Bro. A. B. Ashley, grand master of Illinois, several other grand masters, and about seven hundred members of the craft. I was fortunate enough to have accorded me an opportunity to give expression to my appreciation of the artistic and realistic portrayal of the celebrated tragedy upon which the degree is founded, and to present the felicitations of this grand lodge. On the 17th instant I was the recipient of a most beautifully engrossed and illuminated certificate of my election to honorary membership in Lincoln Park Lodge handsomely bound in leather. I desire to record my grateful appreciation of this distinguished honor.

Brother OBER might have mentioned the further fact that Grand Master Ashley took a conspicuous part in the work of conferring the degree. Our grand master has long been one of the most efficient and impressive ritualists in our state.

The grand master announced that nearly all the Masonic Temple stock had been acquired by the grand lodge of the District of Columbia and that it was now in full control as the owner of the temple.

The Masonic and Eastern Star Home is in a most flourishing condition. The grand master concludes his reference to the Home by saying that "to the devotion of the ladies of the Eastern Star the craft owes a debt that can best be acknowledged and requited by the encouragement of substantial monetary assistance."

THE MASONIC BOARD OF RELIEF

Is given high praise for its effective work regarding sojourning masons who seek relief. He hits squarely between the eyes when he says that—

When we take into consideration the dual purposes of this board, namely the granting of relief to worthy brother master masons temporarily sojourning in the jurisdiction, and the protection of the lodges against the imposition of the unworthy, together with the collateral work of discouraging non-affiliation and locating missing brethren, we are in better position to estimate the value of the board, not only to the lodges of this jurisdiction, but also to the craft in general.

It is as much a duty to detect a fraud as to relieve a worthy brother.

The Oregon "uniform system of dimits" did not meet approval. The committee on jurisprudence considered their own plan superior and commended it to the consideration of Oregon.

Preparations are being made for the bi-centenary of the Grand Lodge of England in 1917.

L. CABELL WILLIAMSON, representative of Illinois to the District of Columbia grand lodge, was present at the St. John's day stated communication held December 27. Extensive preparations were made to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the grand lodge in February, 1911.

THE REPORT ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE

Was presented for the 11th time by P.G.M. George W. Baird. As might reasonably be expected from this veteran correspondent the review of grand lodges is able and interesting. Illinois is given excellent treatment. He says that "the grand master made his report (not address); we think report is the better word for this purpose."

The position of Grand Master Ashley regarding non-affiliates is heartily commended.

The following shows how the excellent reports of M.W. Bro. CRAW-FORD, as chairman of the committee on appeals and grievances, are received.

The report of the committee on grievances and appeals is a model. It gives quite enough to enlighten the initiated, but no words that our enemy can use as testimony against us.

THINKS ILLINOIS INCONSISTENT.

The report on correspondence for last year is commended as "a work of literary merit." The reviewer thinks Illinois was rather inconsistent in recognizing Holland, it bearing fraternal relations with the grand orient of France. M.W. Bro. Cook, upon whose recommendation Holland was recognized, was well fortified on the very point raised by Brother Baird. Reference to Gould's History of Freemasonry and other well established masonic authorities will abundantly prove this. The brother makes this very questionable statement, "But in truth the grand orient of France is not essentially atheistic." He proves(?) his assertion by saying that "it is possible for an atheist to join it, but a very large majority of its members are christians; many protestants; many Jews."

MISUNDERSTANDS BROTHER ROBBINS.

Our brother surely was dreaming or had poor vision when he went over the Illinois report of proceedings. He says—

We have had letters from Dr. Robbins in which he roundly condemned the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, and it is a surprise, now, to learn that he favored its recognition.

How could our brother have received such an impression as the words quoted indicate? The very last words of Brother Robbins to the grand lodge of Illinois were dictated from his death bed and are the report of the special committee on the recognition of the grand lodge Valle de Mexico, pages 95-99, proceedings of Illinois for 1909. In justice to the memory of Brother Robbins our distinguished brother should re-read this report.

Grand master, J. CLAUDE KEIPER, Masonic Temple, Washington, D. C.; grand secretary, ARVINE W. JOHNSTON, Masonic Temple, Washington, D. C.

ENGLAND-1910-11.

2,843 Lodges. Founded 1717. 210,000 Members (estimated).

It is a most difficult task to review the proceedings of British grand lodges. They come in quarterly pamphlets with the most meager and barren details. This is equally true of England, Scotland, Ireland, and some of the provinces. One would naturally expect to find the "mother grand lodge" rich in interest to the craft throughout the world. But the published proceedings of England are almost as dry and devoid of interest as a patent medicine almanac. During the past year the following came to the notice of the Illinois reviewer: a quarterly communication held December 7, 1910, another March 1, 1911, the "annual grand festival" April 26, 1911, and the 3rd quarterly June 7, 1911.

At three of these Lord Ampthill, pro grand master, was "on the throne," being the English way of saying that he presided. At the last quarterly the deputy grand master, Thomas F. Halsey, was the presiding officer.

GRAND MASTER RARELY PRESIDES.

The grand master was unable to be present during the year. He notified of his intention to be "on the throne" at the grand festival in April but was prevented by his illness. Having been appointed by the king as governor general of Canada there is little prospect of the grand master being more than the nominal head of the English craft during the present year. In fact little else is expected of him at any time. The pro grand master is the real head of the fraternity.

To Assist in Memorial.

The most important matter presented at the meeting in December, 1910, was the recommendation that the sum of five hundred guineas, or \$2,500, be voted toward the erection of a memorial to the late King Edward. This is not to be a masonic memorial but one for the nation at large. The masons merely join in the national movement by this contribution. The pro grand master intimated that a suitable monument by the fraternity would come later.

At this meeting the present grand master, the Duke of Connaught and Strathearn (his real name not given) was nominated for re-election. Under the rule the election went over until the next meeting to be held in March, 1911. He was then elected by a unanimous vote and by acclamation.

THE LOAD HE CARRIES.

Illinois masons may be interested to read how the grand director of ceremonies announced the result of the vote. It is as follows—

Be it known, that the Most High, Most Mighty, and Most Illustrious Prince, Arthur William Patrick Albert, Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, Earl of Sussex, Duke of Saxony. Prince of Saxe-Coburg Gotha, Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Great Master and First and Principal Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Knight of the Most Illustrious Order of St. Patrick, Knight Grand Commander of the Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Knight Grand Commander of the Most Eminent Order of the Indian Empire, Knight Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order, a Member of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, a Field Marshal in the Army, &c., &c., &c., has been duly elected Most Worshipful Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of England, and for the ensuing year, whom may the Great Architect of the Universe long preserve.

Is there any wonder that a man so adorned with distinctions cannot find time to attend the sessions and be "on the throne" of his grand lodge. It takes most of his time to keep his titles on straight.

AFTER ALL A SENSIBLE MAN.

However, it appears that the Duke of Connaught is much more of a simple, plain, sensible man than such a jargon of titles would indicate. This is shown by the following letter of regret sent to explain his absence from the annual grand festival:

My Dear Ampthill,

I wish to tell you how grieved I am at being unable to attend the great masonic festival in the Albert hall this day week. It is, I assure you, as great a disappointment to me as I know it will be to all Masons,

whom I was so looking forward to meet in such large numbers. I know the immense trouble you in particular, as well as Bro. Letchworth, have taken in all the arrangements and the immense amount of work it has entailed. I would have given anything not to have been knocked over by this most unwelcome attack of bronchitis, but I am afraid the weather is entirely responsible for it. I am recovering all right now, and if only the festival could have been put off a few days it would have been all right, as I am certain I would have been able to attend. My doctor insisted on my cancelling all my engagements for this month, and I felt that I was bound to follow his orders, especially as I have many other engagements in store for me the following week and all the consecutive ones I must now most reluctantly ask you to receive the address, that was to have been presented to me, in my name.

Just as I am writing this letter the post brought me one from Bulkeley enclosing yours. I will most gladly receive the deputation as suggested by you and some day, not the 8th, in that week would suit me very well and I should be in London. With renewed expressions of my extreme regret at being obliged to disappoint you all,

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely,

(Signed) ARTHUR.

Some difference between ARTHUR and the plethora of titles quoted above.

FRAUDS OVER THERE.

The board of general purposes reports that it has found "it necessary to issue a circular to the worshipful masters of lodges, warning them against certain spurious bodies calling themselves masonic, to which it is understood women have obtained admission as members."

The great event of the year was the "Annual Grand Festival" held April 26 at "Royal Albert Hall," London. It took twelve pages of the proceedings to contain the list of present and past officials. Most of these are "pasts." Past Grand Master W. B. Melish, of Ohio, was an honored visitor. Great disappointment was felt at the absence of the grand master who had signified his intention of being present, but was prevented by illness. Owing to the vast number who attend this annual social function Royal Albert Hall was necessary. Nothing is given of the details but even a weak imagination can make interesting pictures of the occasion.

Special Precaution.

The election for the board of general purposes is an important matter for the reason that this board, during the interim of quarterly meetings, transacts most of the business. The "scrutineers" (tellers) were obligated to make a true and faithful report of the matters committed to their charge." Would not the obligation of a master mason, not "to cheat, wrong nor defraud," be sufficient to keep a board of election tellers in the straight and narrow way?

Report was made that the present ruler, KING GEORGE, though not a mason, had presented to the grand lodge of England the masonic regalia of his father, the late KING EDWARD. This was greatly appreciated. The gift will be treasured as a cherished possession of the grand lodge.

A FAT SALARY.

That the grand secretary is well treated is shown by the increase of his salary to £2,000 or \$10,000. It was, however, distinctly stated that this "increase shall not be considered as a permanent endowment of the office of grand secretary, but solely as a personal recognition of the services which have been rendered to freemasonry by the present grand secretary." This was a very substantial compliment to Sir Edward Letchworth, the present incumbent.

The death of the great masonic historian, William J. Hughan, was mentioned without other comment. No correspondence report is made or published.

Grand master, Duke of Connaught; grand secretary, Edward Letchworth, Freemasons' Hall, London.

FLORIDA-1911.

197 Lodges.

82ND ANNUAL.

9,501 Members.

The book of proceedings opens as a picture gallery. The first is of "General Robert Butler, grand master 1832." The startling dress of this ancient worthy rivals the many-colored coat of Joseph of olden times. Next comes the fine picture of "Henry Robinson, grand treasurer since 1877." One other face graces the fly leaves of the volume of 1911. It is that of "Wilber P. Webster, grand secretary since 1896."

The annual session was held at Jacksonville January 17-19 of this year. Grand Master Louis C. Massey was "on the throne." James C. Craver was present to represent Illinois.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ANNUAL

Was able and interesting. His first sentence challenges attention. "The centuries of the existence of Freemasonry sweeping onward like a stately river toward the ocean of eternity make the course of one year seem like a tributary on whose waters we have briefly glided to the outlet where they mingle with the majestic flood."

He then sounds a key-note of prosperity as a state and as a grand lodge. "Our population as a whole has increased within the decade over 40 percent, while particular counties and cities have grown as if touched by a magic wand."

THE DEATH MESSENGER BUSY.

The passing away of P.G.M. Thomas M. Puleston brought universal sorrow to the craft. This distinguished brother was brought to light in Masonry in Odin Lodge No. 503 located at Odin, Ill. Other deaths were noted. Record is also made of the departure of Past Grand Master John M. Pearson, of Illinois.

IMPORTANT ADJUSTMENT.

Much conflict of jurisdiction had troubled the Masons of Alabama and Florida in times gone by. Lodges located near the line between the two states often trespassed on the rights of each other by receiving candidates from across the border. A new rule has been agreed upon by the two grand lodges and further friction is avoided. The rule is "that persons residing in this or any adjoining state within five miles of the state line may petition and be made a mason in the nearest lodge, measured by straight lines, to their residence, whether that lodge is in this or another grand jurisdiction."

The grand master reports that by courtesy Florida lodges have done work for other states. Among those mentioned is Illinois.

LIMITING DISPENSATIONS.

The disposition of lodges to let candidates for degrees take the regular course instead of trying to hurry them by dispensation has been increased in a marked degree. Only seven requests were made as against seventeen the year before. Only a few of these were granted. It is a positive wrong to a candidate to rush him through so that he cannot master the work as he goes. The grand master deprecates frequent appeals to lodges for aid. Few were permitted.

FLORIDA LAW.

Seventeen decisions are reported. Those of general interest may be summarized as follows;

- I. A master mason, deserting his wife without cause and refusing to support her, is guilty of a masonic offense and is subject to discipline.
- 2. A secretary of a social club with a license to sell liquors to its members is not engaged in the business of selling liquors within the meaning of the law prohibiting masons from engaging in the liquor traffic.
- 3. A stenographer, not a mason, cannot take the testimony in a masonic trial.
- 4. A dimit twenty-six years old is not out of date in the sense that it is void from lapse of time. However, a strict investigation of the character and standing of a brother applying with such a document is enjoined.
- 5. A candidate cannot by courtesy take any degree in a lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico because the latter is treated as clandestine and not recognized by Florida.

Under "Rulings and Regulations" a few points of Florida law may be of interest in Illinois.

Lodges, as such, are prohibited from attending divine service at any time excepting for funerals and on St. John's days as provided in the constitution.

Under Brother Bell's ruling as approved by our grand lodge, St. John's days are cut out.

CARD RECEIPTS.

2. In view of the fact that Illinois has gone into the documentary evidence column the following will suggest a very practical way of furnishing our members with proper written credentials. The rule is as follows;

In order to comply with the requirements of jurisdictions requiring documentary evidence as a pre-requisite for examination of visitors, in addition to tests already prescribed, this grand lodge shall furnish to the particular lodges a card receipt for dues, to be issued under the seal of the lodge, having upon the reverse a certificate attested by the seal of the grand lodge, that the lodge issuing the card is a regular lodge holding a charter from the Grand Lodge of Florida. This card to be furnished without expense to the lodges or their members. The wording and issue of the card receipts to be under rules and regulations prescribed by the grand secretary with the approval of the grand master.

THEY HAVE A TEMPLE.

The report of the temple trustees shows that they have
First mortgage bonds\$ 70,000.00
Second mortgage bonds 20,000.00
Masonic Home loan 14,000,00
Money borrowed by trustees 3,500.00
Total
Net indebtedness\$103,500,00

The net earnings of the temple for the year were given at \$1,186.17. Pretty small returns for such large responsibilities? It requires a large courage for a membership of less than 10,000 to shoulder such a burden.

WORK AT GRAND LODGE.

A beautiful custom, continued from year to year, is the conferring of each of the three degrees during the grand lodge session. Tuesday evening is for the entered apprentice, Wednesday, the fellow craft and Thursday, master mason. Representatives from all parts of the state see the work well done and return to their lodges with higher ideals.

Rejected candidates must now wait five years in the alligator state before they can petition again. Formerly it was one year as in Illinois.

Our southern brethren still cling to the anachronism of conferring the "past master's degree." There were forty-six candidates who received this reminder of the fact that they were back numbers. Illinois once did this foolishness but it has long since reformed.

The grand orator presented an excellent discussion of "Self Control."

In Florida the grand chaplain is elected by the grand lodge. One other peculiar practice is shown in the following from the record.

The grand treasurer, grand secretary and grand chaplain having been re-elected, and the grand tyler reappointed, their installation was not necessary at this time.

In most grand lodges all are installed, re-elected with the elected

Florida and Illinois track pretty well on recognition. Only two grand bodies are in fellowship with the former which are not sufficiently regular to get by the standards of the latter. These are Costa Rica and Porto Rico. These are scarcely up to the Florida standard and must have slipped in where no one was looking.

CORRESPONDENCE REPORT.

The writer was greatly disappointed to find that the excellent review of grand lodges presented by M.W. Bro. Silas B. Wright did not contain Illinois. Evidently our proceedings did not reach him in time. It makes a long wait for another year. Brother Wright's report well repays a careful perusal. In his "conclusion" he touches upon many topics of interest. He says that "the cloud (the color line) which came between Mississippi and New Jersey is not assuming serious proportions and we think is safely quarantined." Brother, how would you quarantine a cloud?

Regarding documents as evidence of good standing the reviewer savs-

Other states have adopted the identification cards and now more than twenty states require documentary evidence as a prerequisite to examination. In no case does the "documentary evidence" take the place of the regular examination, but it is well to know that the applicant, if unintroduced and unvouched comes from a regular lodge before proceeding to examine him.

Grand Master, Albert W. Gilchrist, Tallahassee; grand secretary, Wilber P. Webster, Jacksonville.

GEORGIA-1910.

592 Lodges.

124TH ANNUAL,

32,708 MEMBERS. (Last year's figures.)

Georgia is disposed to be most considerate of its presiding officers. Both the retiring grand master, Bro. Henry Banks, and the present grand master, Bro. Geo. M. Napier, are honored by having steel engravings of their faces and forms to ornament the handsome book of proceedings.

The annual session was held at Macon, beginning October 25, 1910. The representative of Illinois was prominent by his absence.

APRON AND JEWEL.

Before entering upon the work of the meeting Grand Master Banks presented P.D.G.M. and Grand Treasurer Rushin a handsome jewel in consequence of his thirty years' continuous attendance at grand lodge.

Brother Rushin was sick at the hotel and the presentation was made there through a committee.

The grand master further said-

We have another brother, whose attendance upon this grand lodge has been for so long a period that "the memory of man runneth not to the contrary." This masonic college never anticipated that any pupil would ever attend for so long a time and so it has failed to provide a reward of merit for such extended attendance. There is one with us today who has just answered to the call of his name for the fiftieth year. Knowing this, I have anticipated your wishes and have taken the liberty in your name of having prepared a fitting testimonial of his long service.

The grand master referred to the lodges as schools and the grand lodge as a college.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

By Brother Banks was a lengthy and exhaustive presentation of his year's work. It was clothed in choice language as the opening paragraph will show.

Change is a universal law. It is written in the firmament above and stamped upon the rolling world beneath. Since last we met the changing seasons have laid their tribute in the lap of time, and twelve months with their joys and sorrows, their smiles and tears, their battles fought and victories won, have been numbered with the centuries that lie buried in the tomb of the past. To me these months have passed with such nimble feet and smiling faces that it seems but yesterday that standing in this place you crowned my many years of service with your highest honor and laid upon my shoulders the ermine of this exalted station.

The death of P.G.M. Pearson is noted.

Too Much for Themselves.

The system of paying out the funds of the grand lodge came in for severe excoriation. The grand master says that "a pay roll of \$19,287.80 for a three days' session of this grand lodge and \$6,109.09 for the support of our Masonic Home is not consistent within our profession of love for our distressed brothers, their wives, widows and orphans and is not good financiering. Three times as much goes into our pockets for a three days' session of this grand lodge as we expend in twelve months for charity at our Masonic Home." He further shows that the pay roll for ten years amounts to \$155,142.68 for thirty days' attendance at the grand lodge meetings. It must be confessed that this is a pretty stiff indictment. Elsewhere it is shown that the lodges are slack in their contributions to the Home. The total contributions for the year were \$87.84. The finance committee approved the strictures of the grand master regarding the expenditures but suggested no remedy. A reduction of mileage and per diem would help some. In Illinois with over

100,000 members our mileage and per diem account is no more than that of Georgia with its 35,000.

It is shown that the bank carrying the account of the grand lodge pays $5\frac{1}{2}$ percent per annum on daily balances.

A TEMPLE HOME

For the grand lodge is under consideration but the way was not open to embark on so serious an undertaking. A committee was appointed to formulate some plan of financing the enterprise. It does not appear that such a building will be very speedily erected.

The grand master speaks of the fact that the grand secretary's mother is his office assistant, and closes by saying that "the mantle of that great and good man and mason, Andrew M. Wolihin, has indeed fallen upon the shoulders of a devoted son and a consecrated mother."

THE MASONIC HOME.

Brother BANKS refers to the Home and its needs as follows;

Crowning the hills upon the banks of the Ocmulgee and overlooking this beautiful city sits the gem of Georgia masonry, the one monument she has erected in the name of sweet charity. It is our Masonic Home. We have done well by the Home, but we should do more. We have cared for many, but there are many others who should find shelter there from the storms and ills of life. We need room. We are cramped. The old and feeble are surrounded and annoyed with the noise of the young. The aged cannot have that quiet peaceful hours that old age craves. We should have more room, so that the old could be separated from the young.

A NOVEL PLAN.

To raise \$12,500 to make the improvements needed the grand master suggests the following unique method.

I believe that if this grand lodge will charter a lodge at the Home, to be known as the Masonic Home Lodge, and permit dual membership, so far as this lodge is concerned only, that every mason, or almost every one, would readily and gladly become a member of it. Let a certificate be issued and furnished each lodge in the state to be filled out by the secretary of the lodge, as many certificates to each lodge as there are members of it, and upon the payment of fifty cents by a brother, let the secretary of the lodge furnish him with the certificate or diploma, certifying that he is a member the Masonic Home Lodge. I feel sure by this method we would raise more than the amount we need for improvement, at the Home.

ASK THE LADIES TO HELP.

The grand lodge invited the grand chapter of the Eastern Star to name two ladies to serve as members of the Masonic Home board.

There is much merit in this action. In every Home, especially for the care of children, "mere man" is not wholly capable of performing all the duties in the best way. A woman can see and know things about a home that escape the attention of the most observing man no matter how vigilant he may be. Woman is the home maker. The hint from Georgia might be useful elsewhere.

A TIRELESS GRAND MASTER.

Brother Banks broke the record for visitation and travel held by that princely man, Tom Jeffries. Brother Jeffries rejoiced in the good work. He traveled over 6,000 miles and made visits to forty lodges. Brother Banks made 106 visitations and traveled more than 15,000 miles by railroad and 400 miles by private conveyance. Surely this good and faithful servant is entitled to his reward of rest and quiet.

Another Record Smashed.

Grand Master Banks reported seventy-eight decisions. He calls attention to the use of their code of laws but encourages so large a number of useless questions by reporting them to the grand lodge. Very few of these decisions are more than re-statement of local law. In one case the W.M. announced in advance that the meeting fixed by the bylaws to elect officers would be postponed. The brethren, however, did not postpone. They met and elected officers in the usual way. The grand master decided the election legal. A master cannot postpone a stated meeting of the lodge. The grand master held that a senior warden could not be elected to fill a vacancy in the office of master. The grand lodge on recommendation of the committee reversed this decision. It was decided that a traveling man who had never acquired a legal residence could petition a lodge for the degrees. At this distance this looks like bad law.

It was held that a man engaged in selling "near beer" was a liquor dealer and could not retain membership.

A man 70 years old was held not disqualified for admission unless he was in his dotage. There is no age limit in masonry.

Some Theology.

Question No. 78 was as follows; "Is it unmasonic to use the name of Jesus Christ in a masonic prayer?" The grand master decided—

That it is not. Masonry does not conflict with the duty we owe to God. The form of prayer is a matter between he who prays and Him to whom the prayer is offered. If my prayer must have the name of Jesus in it to constitute it prayer, and if it is my duty to pray to God, then to compel me to eliminate the name of Jesus from my prayer would

interfere with a duty I owe to God. Masonry requires no such sacrifice from christian masons. The christian mason has no right to require his Hebrew, Mohammedan or Unitarian brother to broaden his prayer and use the name of Jesus, and they have no right to require the christian mason to eliminate what he conceives to be the most important and vital element of prayer, "in the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ."

The committee on jurisprudence held otherwise and the grand lodge adopted the committee's report.

San Salvador was refused recognition.

There were charters ordered for twenty-two new lodges.

WOULD NOT HAVE IT.

Grand Master Banks announced that he believed in one term for the grand master. Prior to the ballot being taken he said "if you do not believe I am in earnest just cast your ballots for me and re-elect me and I will at once declare no election and order another ballot." He was not elected and the one term precedent has been set in Georgia. The wisdom of this course is doubtful. The great office is not established that brethren may be honored but that the craft may be served. That a second year is of greater use than the first is proven without argument. Experience is valuable.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Of grand lodges was again presented by A. Q. Moody, committee on foreign correspondence. It is a well written report. In his conclusion Brother Moody does not appear enamored of some of the rules in force in some states relating to physical qualifications. He says that—

Most grand lodges have declared, if an applicant can conform to the requirements of the ritual, he is eligible to the degrees, while Pennsylvania and perhaps a few others have decreed that a man, who otherwise might serve physically as a model for the Apollo Belvidere, if he has six toes on one foot, is unfit to be a mason.

As to Illinois.

The reviewer deals liberally with our grand lodge. He says of Brother Bell that "the grand master made a forcible address." He said that "the grand master paid a high tribute to Bro. Joseph Robbins who for fifty years had been a dominant factor in Illinois masonic affairs." The following quotation explains itself.

A brother was tried for keeping a saloon and was expelled, although there was no law of the grand lodge which forbade it. The grand master set aside the trial, and restored the brother to membership.

It seems to us, the grand master exceeded the powers delegated to him, and that this could only be done by the grand lodge. However, the decision was sustained by the committee on jurisprudence.

Off on Mexico.

Our brother says that "a special committee recommended the recognition of the grand lodge Valle de Mexico. Bro. Joseph Robbins opposed the report." The facts were that a special committee of five, of which Brother Robbins was chairman, reported against recognition. The report was signed by four members of the committee, while the other member dissented. The report of the committee was adopted and recognition refused.

Of Brother Rogers' oration the reviewer says that it was "an instructive address." He then makes a lengthy quotation. Of Brother Cook's report he says, "Notwithstanding this modest disclaimer, Brother Cook has done the work well." Brother Cook's reference to "near beer" in Georgia is quoted with this comment, "Your criticism may be all right from an Illinois standpoint, Brother Cook."

Grand master, Geo. M. Napier. Decatur; grand secretary, W. A. Wolihin, Macon.

HOLLAND-1911.

Two years ago the grand lodge of Illinois on recommendation of the committee on correspondence voted to recognize the grand lodge of Holland and exchange representatives. The grand master has completed the negotiations and the two grand lodges bear toward each other fraternal relations, and are in full masonic fellowship. This correspondent regrets that he is unable to speak or read the language of the Netherlands. He is, therefore, unable to review the proceedings of this grand lodge received June 10, 1911.

Information as to number of members, lodges and date of organization was asked by letter June 10, 1911. Up to time of printing no response has been received.

IDAHO-1910.

55 Lodges.

43RD ANNUAL.

3,165 MEMBERS.

Growth and progress are shown in the proceedings of Idaho's 43rd annual gathering. A page picture of Grand Master Byron S. Defenbach is the opening adornment. On the title page appears these words: "Ordered that the worshipful masters shall read the proceedings of the grand lodge, or cause the same to be read, to their respective lodges, within three months from the receipt thereof, which fact the secretaries are required to report to the grand secretary forthwith under the seal of the lodge." The book required to be read has 333 pages and makes a pretty good job for some full-voiced brother.

WILL EVEN ONE DO IT?

The guess is made that this order will not be obeyed in one lodge out of the fifty-five. Why make it necessary for a secretary to falsify in his report? Lodges have more valuable work to do than droning out the reading of a book much of which is only intended for reviewers, historians and those who may desire to hunt up some law or fact. Four specials to lay corner stones are reported. The annual met at Boise September 13. Twelve lodges U.D. show considerable growth in this mining and mountainous state. Considering its sparse settlement and small population it is most creditable.

Illinois appears unrepresented.

GRAND MASTER'S REPORT.

Grand Master Gagon did not attempt much in rhetoric, poetry or well-rounded periods. His report is a business document and sets forth in plain language the doings of the year. In speaking of the growth he says that "The large immigration of masons 'good men and true' who have come into our jurisdiction the last few years and who have builded homes among us, has placed us at high tide. The year's endeavor speaks eloquently of results, showing harmony and contentment, as well as a wonderful growth of membership."

He mentions the death of our beloved P.G.M., John M. Pearson.

THINKS IT USELESS.

The grand master says-

I have yet to learn the object of the appointment of grand representatives, the position being merely honorary, and, so far as I can

discern, the honor is so limited as to be practically imperceptible. The custom appears to have originated only to confer upon certain members an empty title.

The legal way of communication between different jurisdictions is through the grand masters and I can see no valid reason for the continuance of the practice.

There is much force in this observation owing to the slipshod methods of many grand lodges in keeping a friend at court.

REFUSES DISPENSATIONS.

The grand master refused to attempt by dispensation to set aside a law prohibiting a lodge from giving masonic burial to a brother who had been dimitted more than one year. There appear two good reasons for the grand master's attitude. First, the law is a good one. Second, the grand master has no power by dispensation or otherwise to set aside a law enacted by the grand lodge. He refused to grant the privilege of a ballot on a candidate in less than legal time. Wise again.

IDAHO LAW.

The grand master makes a distinction between "questions answered" and "decisions." When the grand lodge approves, this appears to be a distinction without a difference. Of "questions answered" there was quite a flow, being 33 in number.

In one of these where a petition has not been received by the lodge, the grand master held "that the petition should be rejected." He probably meant that it be withdrawn. Until the lodge had made it its own, there could scarcely be a rejection.

Most of the answers to questions were formal and local. However, the following will be of interest in Illinois.

- Q. Is a person who is a native of Persia, born of an Armenian mother and a Persian father, eligible to the degrees of Masonry?
- A. Every lodge in this jurisdiction is the sole judge of who shall become its members. Under the conditions stated, I suggest that the petition be not received.

The jurisprudence committee properly curbed the power of a lodge as the "sole judge" by adding "provided they keep within the laws of this grand lodge and landmarks and regulations of masonry." It was a wise thing to stop up a little of the wide-openness announced by the grand master.

BETTER LOSE THE KEY.

The only "decision" reported was that the wardens and senior deacon should have the right to use the "key" to the work the same as the master. Idaho is skating on very thin ice in trying to "key"-up its work. Experience in Illinois, where the system of ritualistic instruction is peerless, is that the "from-mouth-to-ear" method is most effective. The small part in print in the Standard Monitor is where the worker almost invariably falls down.

ORPHANS' FUNDS.

The grand treasurer reports \$57,947.22 of funds for charitable purposes. For a grand lodge with only a little over 3,000 members this looks like a substantial provision for those who need help. There appears to be no home or movement for one. So small a jurisdiction scarcely needs it. Individual charity with such a large fund to draw upon seems ample.

OUR ILLINOIS LIST.

The grand secretary reports having supplied all their lodges with the list of regular lodges throughout the world prepared by our grand lodge and furnished by the official printers, the Pantagraph Printing and Stationery Co. This list on the secretary's desk is a very complete check to claims of regularity when a document is presented emanating from a spurious and clandestine lodge.

A Wise Lecturer.

Brother Mackintosh, grand lecturer, puts these golden words into his report.

After a careful consideration of the complex problem of the key and the lecturer, I am but more firmly convinced that the key is an error and should be dispensed with.

Should the grand lodge in its wisdom still see fit to retain the key, however, I believe there should be a revision of the statutes relative to the esoteric work, that the same may not conflict; furthermore I believe that every mason should have the key and the office of grand lecturer be abolished. In event of the key being continued it seems to me unnecessary to go to any further expense for the promulgation of the Idaho work.

These recommendations are made in the hope that the key will be abolished, and I therefore would most earnestly urge that the keys be all recalled, destroyed and that the grand lecturer take unto himself suitable assistants and with their help so promulgate the work that the key or its expose be useless.

Ephraim was joined to his idols and the key remains. The grand lecturer's wisdom went for naught. They voted down his recommendation.

A SIGNET RING

Is the property of the grand lodge and is handed down from one grand master to his successor. This ring is the symbolic emblem of the office of grand master of that state. The ceremony of its transfer is an interesting one.

Bro. George E. Kuepper for the ninth time presents the review of grand lodges. He does not indulge in a head or tailpiece via introduction and closing but jumps headlong into his work. He writes a readable and valuable report.

As to Illinois.

No complaint is due from our grand lodge. Illinois is given ample space. Liberal comment and quotation appear.

He draws heavily on Brother Bell's annual report. The action on the Clinton lodge liquor case is given full notice, but without comment of either approval or disapproval. He closes his review of Brother Bell's address as follows;

A very appropriate conclusion closes the grand master's address, which is a document in every way worthy of the grand master and the grand lodge he represents.

WITH BROTHER MOULTON.

Regarding action on Valle de Mexico Brother Kuepper says that he is in sympathy with the attitude of Brother Moulton. This is natural so long as Idaho trots in double harness with the Mexican body. However, now that there has been a rebellion and Valle de Mexico is the name of the seceding branch and pays its allegiance to a Scottish Rite body, some change must be made. The original grand body has assumed a new name and the rebels bear the old. Mexican masonry is a mixed quantity and it may be some time before there is anything in that revolutionary country worthy of the fellowship of ancient craft masons.

ROGERS AND COOK.

With the oration he is quite in love. He thus describes it.

An oration was delivered by the grand orator, Bro. Euclid B. Rogers, on the subject of "The World Growing Better." This was one of the jolliest masonic orations that we have ever read, and intensely interesting from beginning to end. He quotes poetry liberally. The first poem quoted bears the earmarks of originality.

He then quotes the poem and adds, "If this is original and, we take it to be, we surely have another poet laureate in embryo." The reviewer says that "The report on correspondence covers over 300 pages and is clear evidence that there is sufficient ability left in the state of Illinois to write a first class correspondence report."

The grand master, Byron S. Defenbach, Sand Point; grand secretary, Theophilus W. Randall, Boise.

INDIANA-1911.

542 Lodges.

OOTH ANNUAL.

57.499 Members.

One hour prior to the time of opening, the grand lodge of Indiana is called to order to listen to a stated address provided for in advance. It evidently takes the place of the oration in our grand lodge. This year, Bro. Charles P. Benedict gave a forceful address on "The great light in Masonry." He says that—

Masonry recognizes the bible as the masterpiece of human philosophy and the greatest spiritual light of all time, the most profound thought upon the vital questions of human life and destiny, and floods its temple with its hope and glory, securing to all who enter its portals the fruits of its teachings.

It would be pleasing to make other quotations but space will not permit.

The record shows that this is the 90th annual communication but the 94th year of the grand lodge. There appear to be some missing links.

The Illinois representative was not present.

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

The grand master notes that this year is greatest in growth in the history of the Hoosier grand lodge, there being a net gain of 2,789. The death of our two distinguished past grand masters, John M. Pearson and John C. Smith, is mentioned.

Under Indiana law the grand master passes upon lodge by-laws. He reports that he refused to approve an amendment to the law of a lodge relieving members of the age of 70 years and over from the payment of dues. This certainly is wise. Men at 70 ought to have accumulated enough property to be able to pay the small sum fixed as dues

by a lodge. If too poor to pay any masonic lodge will willingly remit. A mason who has paid dues for many years has only borne his equal share of the financial burdens of his lodge and has received a full equivalent in lodge privileges and benefits. He is entitled to no special credit for having done his duty. It is not fair to young members to make them carry the load while older and generally wealthier members go free.

AN ILLINOIS CASE.

The grand master reports the action of Casey Lodge No. 442 of Illinois in expelling John Leslie Drake, because, while a resident of Indiana and temporarily being in Casey, Ill., he petitioned Casey lodge for the degrees. He was elected and initiated. By order of Grand Master Ashley he was put upon trial and expelled.

The following is a novelty on the question of physical qualifications. The Indiana law is as follows:

That the grand master may, with the consent of the committee on jurisprudence, allow lodges to receive and ballot on petitions for membership of those who can, by the aid of artificial appliances, conform to the ceremonies of the order.

The grand master evidently most heartily disapproves this law. He found a reason for denying each application because there was no committee on jurisprudence to consent. Patched up cripples hardly meet requirements for the physically perfect man required to bear burdens or work in the quarries. The law was not repealed but is still in force.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' HOME.

Indiana has made a real start toward a Home. Last year a tax of twenty-five cents per member was imposed. This brought into the treasury over \$13,000. Every lodge paid cheerfully except one. It paid but filed a protest. It looks as though the greatest work that it is the privilege of Masons to perform, will soon be well under way. Judging by the title the poor, old helpless brother is to be left out. It is to be a "Widows' and Orphans' Home."

Surely the aged and indigent mason will not be overlooked in this beautiful beneficence.

Grand Secretary Prather is entitled to thanks of reviewers. He puts his "statistical" table in so simple and plain a form that it is easy to get at the number of lodges, membership and growth. In many grand lodges it takes time and labor-to get this information. It cannot then always be done.

The "grand lodge hall" is a paying institution. Last year it produced \$6.474.16. The expenses of maintenance were \$1.692.54. Leaving

"velvet" of \$4,781.62. To do this, however, all kinds and classes were permitted to use it at so "much per."

The grand treasurer is allowed two percent of the receipts. This year the amount was \$757.22. Usually the grand treasurer is quite willing to serve on a small salary with the use of a considerable sum generally on deposit.

GRACEFUL RECOGNITION.

By resolution the grand lodge tendered the use of the "Masonic Grand Lodge Hall" to the sovereign grand lodge of Odd Fellows which met in Indianapolis in September. Also, "That this masonic grand lodge extends to the said sovereign grand lodge of that great fraternal organization its most cordial and kindly greetings, with its best wishes for a successful session."

This shows the true principle of fraternity and is most creditable to the Hoosier craft.

The annual 6 o'clock banquet was enjoyed on Tuesday evening. Masons do well to be sociable. Steps were taken to affiliate with the "Masonic Relief Association of the U. S. and Canada." This is a great central organization doing much good in helping the needy mason and exposing dead beats and frauds.

An effort was made to require a secret, verbal report to the master on candidates but the grand lodge refused to change the law. It works admirably in Illinois and imposes no hardship on the master receiving the secret report.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Of grand lodges appears as the handiwork of Daniel McDonald, the senior past grand master of Indiana. He was not able to be present on account of his enfeebled condition. He wrote a letter to the grand lodge saying that it would probably be his last report. In his introduction he refers to this as the 13th report and the silly superstition that in this number there is something unlucky.

As to Illinois.

The review is for our grand lodge of 1910. Brother McDonald has the correct term and signs himself "reviewer" rather than correspondent. Liberal quotation is made from the report of Grand Master Ashlev with evident approval. Allusion is made to the grand orator, Frank G. Smith, who "delivered an interesting oration."

Brother McDonald excepts to the statement that the grand master of Ohio acted within his proper prerogative in making President Taff a mason at sight. He denies that there is such a landmark and says

the grand lodge of Ohio has no power to authorize this course. He says that—

A. G. Mackey's eighth landmark, to which Brother Scott refers, was designated and numbered the eighth landmark by A. G. Mackey, and is no more a landmark than if it had been written and numbered by Bro. Owen Scott.

In the review of Indiana for last year it was stated that the grand lodge adopted the report of the committee on correspondence but to this Brother McDonald excepts. The writer is glad to be corrected but must insist that the language of the record was so obscure as to leave that impression.

Grand master, WM. H. SWINTZ, South Bend; grand secretary, CALVIN W. PRATHER, Indianapolis.

IOWA-1911.

520 LODGES.

68TH ANNUAL.

44,399 MEMBERS.

The volume of proceedings detailing the business of the grand lodge of Iowa for 1911 is a magnificent specimen of the printer's art. It is beautifully illustrated with numerous pictures. Grand Secretary Parvin has a penchant for fancy headings and ornate initials. The book contains 757 pages, exceeding the Illinois proceedings of 1910 by 146. However, there is not a dull moment to a reader of this bulky report of the year's work.

The sixty-eighth annual session of the grand lodge was held at Cedar Rapids, "the home of the only masonic library building in the world." This stares the reader from the outside cover page and he is not allowed to forget it as he delves into the masonic contents of this book of proceedings.

A "PROEM"

To the grand lodge session was given in a public meeting in the opera house just preceding the formal opening. Welcome and response interspersed with music by a male quartet put the brethren in tune for a good time and a profitable session.

- The grand master made no attempt at flowers of oratory but made a most sensible and practical report of the year's work.

MASONRY NOT A RELIGION.

He makes clear a truth that needs emphasis when he says that-

Masonry is not a religion; yet masonry is founded upon religious truths, and whether he wills it or not, or is even conscious thereof, the masonic votary is brought nearer to the Supreme Being in whom he has expressed a belief. The whole masonic fabric is to make men wiser, better, and consequently happier.

Masonry is "a progressive moral science," intended to elevate man, but in no way assumes to be a religion or to rival or supplant the church. Those masons who claim otherwise do the craft an unconscious injury.

Two past grand masters, Daniel W. Clements and Willard L. Eaton laid off the harness to enter pastures of eternal rest.

THINKS DECISIONS UNIMPORTANT.

The grand master minimizes the importance of decisions. The committee on jurisprudence did not agree. Four decisions are reported and all approved. One holds that a member who dimits from a lodge and changes his residence to another state cannot affiliate without regaining Iowa residence and waiting six months. In Illinois there is no territorial jurisdiction in affiliation. A mason may place his dimit as he chooses. Under Iowa law, where a master or other officer moves from the territorial jurisdiction of his lodge, his office becomes vacant. Not so here. Other decisions of no outside interest.

Only one dispensation for a new lodge was issued. The grand master thought the state well supplied with lodges and discouraged the formation of new ones except where there were special needs.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP ALIVE.

The grand master reported attempts at evasion of the law prohibiting life membership. Prompt orders were given to cause dues to be required of all equally, exempting none except for inability to pay. This is the only fair and just method for lodges. Honorary membership is also prohibited. The brethren are strongly urged to read the report on masonic correspondence. The grand master says—

One splendid thing lies in a good report on fraternal correspondence in this: That no good, live mason can read it without giving more value to his masonry and feeling proud of the great work which our institution is doing for the good of humanity. There is much matter of general masonic interest presented, and taken as a whole it contains more real information than masonic journals. The moral is, read the report: take the advance copy home, read it, let other brothers read it, read extracts from it to the lodge. All will get good from the report.

FLOWERY FINANCES.

Grand Secretary Parvin, in his report is long on poetry. One scarcely expects the sentimental turn in one charged with keeping the facts and figures of a great body in their prosaic places. The grand secretary's report gleams with poetic beauty on the slightest provocation. Perhaps he imbibes so much of the literary spirit as librarian that he makes his reports a safety valve for the pent up stores of imaginative composition.

Brother Parvin reports the death of five distinguished masons, three of England, one of Scotland, and one of Germany, who had been given the honorary rank and title of "past senior grand warden." He recommends that three other British notables be similarly honored. Such procedure is almost, if not quite, unique in America. Rank and title sit very lightly on the shoulders of people in this country. Why should a grand lodge 4,000 miles away call a man a "past senior grand warden" when he never actually served in that position? If he is to be honored would not the rank of past grand master be more proper?

The grand secretary reports the gift to the library of a table made of 37.473 pieces of wood, many of which are of historic interest. Some came from Connecticut's old "charter oak" and others from various other sources equally rare. The compasses and square and other masonic emblems are curiously wrought into the top of this unique table.

METHODS OF RELIEF.

Iowa has no Masonic Home. They have a "grand charity fund" of considerable size and dispense this to individuals as needed. There were fifty-three cases of permanent relief during the year, in which \$7.337.54 were expended. No doubt much good is done in this way and our Hawkeye neighbors cannot be considered wanting in care for masonic dependents. It is simply a question of methods. Most grand lodges have found the Masonic Home plan most satisfactory. Where the beneficiaries are brought together they can have better facilities for care and nurture than when they are so widely scattered as they must be in the Iowa plan.

Past senior grand warden, LAFE Young, lately appointed U. S. senator to succeed the late Senator Dolliver, was present for the first time in two decades. He was introduced and made such a speech as the brilliant Iowa editor only can. It has been the privilege of the writer to have had a somewhat intimate acquaintance with Brother Young.

The death of our well known past grand master, John M. Pearson, is referred to by the obituary committee as John Wills Pierson.

No ROTATION THERE.

In the election of grand officers there appears to have been a complete "shake-up." Not one of the officers in line was elected. It appeared that no man whose name began with any other letter than B was considered. Brothers Block, Barry and Belt were chosen for the three topmost stations.

As last year the grand high priest of the grand chapter and the thrice illustrious grand master of the grand council were presented as such.

A committee of three learned masons had been appointed to report the essentials of "Recognition of Grand Bodies." They presented a very able and exhaustive review of the whole question. Their summary is as follows:

To the end that there may be something definite as a basis for your action, your committee make the following recommendations:

First. That it is the judgment and conclusion of this grand lodge that grand lodge authority and legitimacy is derived from the consent and action of subordinate lodges.

Second. That the legitimacy of a subordinate lodge depends upon its being able to trace its lineage from the parent grand lodge of England or the British Isles.

These two essentials are good as far as they go.

LEFT OUT THE BIBLE.

There cannot fail to be some disappointment at the omission of the requirement for the Great Light on the altars of lodges. The misfortune is that the committee in its argument distinctly excludes the Bible as one of the essentials. Here is what it says—

The Bible is used among masons as the symbol of the will of God, however it may be expressed. And, therefore, whatever to any people expresses that will may be used as a substitute for the Bible in a masonic lodge. In some sections the old Testament alone is used; in some, the new Testament; in others, the Koran and the Vedas, but all with the same idea and purpose and in harmony with the required faith in God.

If this be true why require that a grand body trace its lineage back to the grand lodge of England or the British Isles? They require the Bible and no other. Iowa is hardly on the solid rock by this report.

It was ordered that a portrait in oil of Theodore S. Parvin, grand secretary for fifty-seven years, from 1844 to 1901, be purchased at a cost not exceeding \$400.

THE CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

Written by Louis Block, now grand master, is a very able, exhaustive and discriminating review of grand lodges. He gives Illinois excellent

treatment, commending and criticizing as he feels impelled by his views on the work of our grand lodge. He begins by saying—

We pick up this volume of proceedings in anticipation of receiving considerable pleasure and profit from its pages, for judging from past experience it has always been a pleasure to review the masonic work of our Illinois brethren.

We cannot refrain from complimenting them upon the excellent quality of their printing and the neat and artistic binding in which it is encased.

Of the prayer of Brother Balley, the grand chaplain, he says "It is a genuine masonic prayer welling forth from the fullness of a true masonic soul." He quotes copiously from Grand Master Ashley's aunual report.

Of the oration he says that "Bro. Frank G. Smith, the grand orator, delivered a splendid oration, thus conferring distinguished honor upon the great Smith family." He regrets that he cannot give the entire oration but quotes two full pages, and adds—

As long as we can clip such splendid stuff as this from the pages that come to us for review, we propose to keep our scissors sharp and use them freely.

As we look upon it, it is the duty of the committee of foreign correspondence to scatter wide the seeds of thought and flowers of feeling, no matter in what masonic field they may grow.

Brother BLOCK brings the blush to the check of the writer of the report on correspondence when he says—

Past Grand Master Owen Scott writes a magnificent report on foreign correspondence, having covered 245 pages with the results of his painstaking labor. He certainly is a paragon of industry and zeal. It is one of the best that it has ever been our pleasure to peruse.

RITUAL NOT ALL.

But the blush soon fades. The following two pages are filled with an assault of his 14-inch guns on some of the cherished positions taken in the report of 1910. He thinks the masonic club may have a useful place. Brother BLOCK surely hits the bull's-eye when he says—

The mason who can rattle off the ritual is too often idolized, while the mason who has penetrated beneath the letter of the ritual to its inward inspiration and meaning, is treated with good humored toleration as a sort of harmless nuisance and is too often denied the praise and encouragement which he deserves.

He thinks the club can do something to inspire more thoughtful rendition of the ritual. The philosophy of his position is not easily seen. Why can a club do more than a lodge?

The most serious offense of this correspondent in the eyes of our lowa brother is the reference to bodies based on masonry being accorded official recognition in grand lodge as they do in Iowa. In Illinois grand chapter, grand council, grand commandery and others allied with ancient craft masonry are not in any way higher bodies of masonry. Their members are all masons it is true. Would a body which would admit only Presbyterians be a higher order of Presbyterianism? Scarcely. It is quite possible for a grand lodge to have no quarrel with other bodies based on masonry, but respecting their good works and words, and yet not officially recognize them as masonic. They are bodies of masons but they are not masonic bodies. The Illinois correspondent is a member of all the so-called "higher bodies" and has been for many years with full appreciation of their excellent teachings and doings. He has gone the full length of the road in both directions but has never seen any reason for ancient craft masonry to enter into any entangling alliances with chapter, council, commandery or consistory. The grand lodge has a great work of its own to do and has none too much time for its accomplishment.

Brother BLOCK's review from "proem" to conclusion is virile and forceful. It is not to be wondered that the Iowa grand master urges the craft to read it.

Grand master, Louis Block, Davenport; grand secretary, Newton R. Parvin, Cedar Rapids.

IRELAND-1910.

460 Lodges.

182ND ANNUAL. MEMBERSHIP NOT GIVEN.

As usual all the information obtainable concerning the grand lodge of Erin is contained in a pamphlet of a little over fifty pages. Statistics are meager. A list of lodges, giving receipts from each, is the only means of arriving at the number of lodges. Nothing of the membership can be ascertained. With a roster of 460 lodges this must be considerable.

THE ANNUAL MEETING

Was held at Dublin on St. John's day in December, 1910. Nothing of the routine proceedings appears. Information concerning the work of the grand lodge of the year is received from the address of the deputy grand master, James Cheed Meredith. He is the active grand officer, the grand master, the Duke of Abercorn being merely an honorary officer. Brother Meredith has served as an officer of the grand lodge for thirty-

three years. For thirteen years he has been appointed by the grand master as his active agent in masonic work, no election being held.

CANNOT SERVE MUCH LONGER.

The deputy grand master serves notice that his work is well night done. He thinks that on-coming age and increasing infirmity must soon lead to his retirement. Last year the death of the distinguished man and mason. Gerald FitzGibbon, was deeply mourned. This year an even greater loss is sustained in the decease of

KING EDWARD.

Of him it is said "he was a true man and a genuine mason and held office as the grand master of the grand lodge of England for a full quarter of a century prior to his accession."

A memorial service for the departed king and brother of the crait was held at St. Andrews. Bro. W. C. S. Shaw, a distinguished mason from Scotland, was present and participated in the service in memory of King Edward. Many other services are reported as having been held in various places in honor of the king. One of the most remarkable of these was in far-away South Africa, where 5,000 brethren assembled.

A NEW GRAND SECRETARY.

At his own request Lord Castletown was permitted to retire from the office of grand secretary. To succeed him Lord Plunket, who for six years had been governor general of New Zealand, was chosen. During his stay in the distant province, Lord Plunket served as grand master of New Zealand. Our English, Irish and Scotch brethren believe in sharing the glory of official station with the incumbents. Hence the places of distinction in masonry are generally given to public functionaries. In America we believe more in rewarding meritorious and efficient services to the craft.

A PRESBYTERIAN LODGE.

Brother Meredith reports that one application for a warrant for a new lodge was signed by twenty-nine brethren "all of them holding orders as ministers of the Presbyterian church in this country.

It is a very pleasant thing to see a number of clergymen coming forward to take part with us, and to still further spread the light of masonry by holding a lodge of their own in the district of Ballymacarrett, but in connection with that lodge there is one very sad thought. In that terrible fire which took place in Belfast some months ago, one of the brethren who applied for that warrant—our brother the Rev. W. J. McCaughan—and his wife both lost their lives.

IRISH CHARITIES.

Most commendable are the excellent results flowing from the three charities maintained by this venerable grand lodge. They allude to them as their "Masonic Jewels" and they certainly are. The girls' school educates and trains for useful womanhood each year 210 daughters of deceased masons. The cost is given at £4,400 or about \$22,000.

The boys' school has ninety-six beneficiaries at a cost of £3,600 or \$18,000.

The third charity is the "Jubilee Fund." This is to provide annuities for aged and indigent masons. During the year great demands were made on this fund and sixty annuitants were kept from want. The money is not sufficient to care for all who apply. Strenuous efforts are being made to increase this provision for needy masons.

Progress is reported in the work in the provinces. Regret is expressed that the present king of Great Britain is not a mason. He is reported to be a patron of the boys' school in England.

Some Irregularity.

A case of discipline became necessary in a lodge in South Africa. The offense was making an entered apprentice a master mason without first giving him the second degree. Afterward they went back and picked up the missing thread and passed the brother to the degree of fellow craft. The brother would have been in rather a queer position after receiving the third degree. He could sit in a lodge of master masons but when opened on the second he could not be admitted. However, giving him the omitted degree cured the irregularity. The charter of the lodge was suspended for three months.

The incompleteness of the report of the work of Ireland must stand as excuse for this meager review.

Grand master, the Duke of Abercorn; deputy grand master and presiding officer, James Creed Meredith; grand secretary, Lord Plunket. No addresses are given.

KANSAS—1911.

300 LODGES.

55TH ANNUAL.

35.496 MEMBERS.

Kansas proceedings are the first to break into view for sessions held in 1911. At Kansas City on February 15 the fifty-fifth annual communication began. On March 29 the book of proceedings, tasty and well printed, reached the table of the Illinois reviewer. The gain in membership for the year is shown to be 1,839. At the opening eleven present and past grand officers from Missouri were suitably introduced and honored, Grand Master CLAY C. BIGGER responded for the visitors. A history of the Masonic Home of Missouri "from its inception to the present time was given by Past Grand Master E. F. Allen, This was suitably illustrated with the stereopticon. The report of the committee on credentials showed the representative of Illinois, P.G.M. MATTHEW M. Miller, present. Brother Miller learned masonry in Galena, Ill., and takes pride in the masonry of his mother grand lodge. He is also the able committee on foreign correspondence for Kansas. Representatives of other grand lodges were received and recognized with the honors of masonry. Bro. E. C. Cole, representative of Queensland, responded on behalf of the diplomatic corps.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Presented by M.W. Brother Brundage, is one of the most comprehensive and thorough that it has been the privilege of the writer to read. It is broad and able in discussion, systematic and accurate in detail. A few extracts will illustrate the quality of his work. He says that "while the labors of the grand master during the past year have been, generally speaking, most pleasant and agreeable, they have been somewhat strenuous and exacting and have not produced that exalted intoxication so frequently enjoyed by those more ambitious for power." He greets his grand lodge and congratulates the craft "upon the closing of the best year in the best century of the world's history and endeavor." There is no room for pessimism here. Further on the grand master says—

This is an age of activity and cheerful optimism and there should be no place in our order for drone or pessimist; negative goodness is of doubtful virtue and the privilege of being a mason should inspire us to the greater privilege of being active in our search for light and in our efforts to advance the cause of brotherly love, relief and truth. We should ever bear in mind that the weak have an equity in the strength of the strong and that our charity, toleration and sympathy are heavily mortgaged to our less fortunate brother.

The death is noted of two past grand masters, Samuel R. Peters and John C. Postlethwaite.

LIKES BROTHER MOULTON'S WAY.

The following paragraph shows that the Kansas representative near our grand lodge knows his business. The grand master says—

In only one instance has the grand master received a communication from a grand representative during the year, and this came from M.W. George M. Moulton, grand representative of this grand lodge near the grand lodge of Illinois, conveying the greetings of the craft and full reports of the grand master, grand secretary and committee on correspondence at the last annual communication of the grand lodge of Illinois. Opportunity is here taken to commend this action of our grand representative in Illinois, and express the hope that others will follow this example of courtesy in the future.

Exercises Power.

The grand master reports having declared the office of worshipful master vacant in a number of cases where the business of the lodge was retarded, or at a standstill, by the permanent absence of the master and wardens. There is too much hesitancy oftentimes on the part of grand masters in cutting out dead timber. If a master is absent or permanently disqualified, he should be removed and a live man put in his place. Instances are known where the master had permanently removed from the jurisdiction of his lodge, and even from the state, never attended the meetings of the lodge and yet showed up at grand lodge for a week's vacation at the expense of the grand lodge by drawing the usual per diem and mileage from the location of the body he had deserted. The Kansas grand master's remedy cured this disease.

THE RUSH ROUTE.

Of ninety-one special dispensations granted forty-eight "were for conferring degrees without regard to time." Just why so large a number of hurry-up cases should have appeared is not shown in the grand master's report. Presumably, there were emergencies or the dispensations would not have been issued. It is, however, often the case that a man will live for years within easy reach of a lodge and not be anxious to be made a mason. Once he gets started, he takes a sudden notion that he must hurry. Possibly some of his friends discover that he is needed "higher up" and want him tobogganed through. It is safe to let the regular and deliberate processes of the lodge take their course.

THE TRUE VIEW.

Grand Master Brundage hits the spike squarely with this sledge hammer blow. After recounting the growth in membership during the past year he adds—

But, however gratifying this showing of material growth may be it would mean but little in reality if we counted our growth and success

only by numbers, or by the dollars in our treasuries. Real growth, and the only substantial evidence of the increased strength of our institution, is to be found reflected in the *moral* growth, in the raising of the standard of light and truth a little higher and in the greater influence for good of the lodges in their respective communities; and these are the only real factors tending to the prosperity of our craft. Increased membership, perfection in the ritual and regularity in business methods are desirable and essential but without the spirit of pure masonry in the heart our progress is but apparent and not real. The letter killeth but the spirit quickeneth,

SUNFLOWER STATE LAW.

The grand master found a plethora of questions coming to him but found few decisions necessary.

- 1. In one case he expressed the view "that it would be both unwise and unmasonic for a lodge to maintain a masonic club in a part of their temple, to be fitted up with card and billiard rooms and gymnasium."
- 2. It was held unwise for a masonic lodge to enter into partnership with a lodge of Odd Fellows to erect a building to be jointly owned.
- 3. He decided that in a trial the counsel for the accused could not be excluded because he did not belong to that lodge. The law was later changed to make the matter plain.

THE PESTILENT CIPHER.

Kansas has a cipher to the secret work and it is constantly making trouble. The ciphers get lost and are sometimes destroyed. A penalty of \$20.00 is attached whether the key is lost or actually burned to ashes. Two cases came up where they were consumed by fires. During the year fourteen ciphers were reported as lost and the penalty paid. It would not be considered a very high price to pay by a designing man who wanted to make illegitimate use of the key. Many publishers of spurious books would be willing to pay many times the \$20.00 penalty. The way to abolish the abuse is to have no keys. From mouth to ear is the masonic way to learn the work.

Requests for permission to solicit aid from lodges and masons were ail most properly refused. The first was to help erect a lodge room, the second was for a patent right to aid the brother in distress, and the third was from a "whiskey cure" at Oklahoma City. Masonic lodges are not so easy for the grafter as they once were.

MASONIC DRONES.

There, as elsewhere, the working bees in the masonic hive are pestered by the drones who carry their dimits in their pockets and prey on the busy members. The grand master says—

The "drones in the masonic hive" are numerous in every grand jurisdiction, but probably more so in the newer states of the west and northwest where the tide of emigration is ever flowing. Kansas has her share of those who lightly shirk their responsibilities but are ever ready to participate in social and public functions, and the question frequently comes from lodges, "Is there no way to prevent the imposition?"

Illinois proposes to allow them one year in which to affiliate and then deny them access to the feed trough.

THE MASONIC HOME.

An excellent Home for adults and children is maintained at Wichita. The report shows that on January 1, 1911, there were eighty-three members, forty-three children and forty adults. The average number for 1910 was eighty-five. The cost for maintenance was \$12,278.40, being \$144.44 per capita for the year. In 1900 the per capita cost was \$161.54 for an average of seventy-nine members.

The grand secretary reports the purchase and distribution of 425 copies of the Illinois list of regular lodges of the world.

OUR DISTINGUISHED DEAD.

The death is noted of P.G.M. John M. Pearson and P.G.M. John C. Smith. Of the latter the committee on necrology says—

A master builder fell when Past Grand Master John Corson Smith, of Illinois, after a struggle that lasted for years, yielded to the grim destroyer, on the 31st day of December, 1910. He is said to have been the most distinguished traveler and best known mason in the world. He received, on a number of occasions, special honors at the hands of the nobility of the old world. He died at the age of almost seventynine years, and he had been a mason for fifty-two years.

The oration was delivered by Bro. Silas W. Porter, justice of the supreme court of Kansas on "The Citizen as a Mason." It was an able and highly instructive production. On the recommendation of the committee on correspondence the recognition of one of the grand lodges Valle de Mexico was continued. To know which one it was necessary to specify the grand master and grand secretary.

As the Kansas grand lodge is "on wheels" it goes to Topeka in 1912.

PAST GRAND MASTERS

Gathered around the table on the evening prior to the opening of the grand lodge as the guest of M.W. Bro. Bestor G. Brown. There were

present in all eighteen past grand masters, thirteen from Kansas and five from Missouri. This was the annual meeting of the "Association of Past Grand Masters." It was manifestly a most delightful occasion. The senior past grand master is the "venerable president" and the junior acts as tyler.

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Again comes from the hand and brain of P.G.M. MILLER. The themse of his thought is for the "Unification of Masonry." This seems to imply that all over the world all who profess to be masons shall be taken into the full fellowship of the legitimate craft. As the grand lodge of Kansas is in fraternal relations with Peru, Costa Rica, Porto Rico, Salvador, to say nothing of one of the many numerous grand bodies of Mexico, Brother Miller might find it comparatively easy to open other doors for unification. The lion and the lamb can easily lie down peacefully together where the lamb is inside of the lion. It will be no trouble to unify all grand bodies when standards of legitimacy so long recognized, are abandoned.

ILLINOIS WELL TREATED.

Two and one-half pages are devoted to a review of our grand lodge. Mention is made of the death of Past Grand Master Pearson, and the recommendation of the grand master and the payment to Mrs. Robbins of additional compensation for the services of the late Brother Robbins.

Allusion is made to the new Orphans' Home and a prophecy "that the masonic orphans of Illinois will be well taken care of and have an excellent home."

The reviewer says "there is an able oration by R.W. Bro. Frank G. Smith." A quotation is then given.

Brother Miller says that "Bro. C. W. Harris, chairman of the committee on obituaries, made a masterly report for his committee."

While not exactly in agreement with this committee over recognition of other grand bodies, there is yet substantial accord on all other matters of importance. Our good brother in his review of Indiana gives place to a poem(?) of doubtful propriety. It describes "Teddy and the Goat." Masonry has long since passed the "goat" stage.

Grand master, Alex. A. Sharp, Topeka; grand secretary, Albert K. Wilson, Topeka.

KENTUCKY-1910.

557 Lodges.

HOTH ANNUAL.

35.983 Members.

It takes about 050 pages to record the work of masonry in Kentucky for the year 1910. The annual session was held at Louisville, October 18-20, with Grand Master Cowles wielding the gavel. The book opens with pictures of the prizes awarded for "highest average for scholarship and deportment" at the Masonie Home. Mary Lee Bonny, for the girls, and Morton Williams, for the boys, carried off the prizes. Following this comes the fine, strong face of the new grand master, Robert R. Burnam. The record shows twenty past grand masters present with only five absent.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

One of the finest and most forcible presentations of a year's work seen by this writer is the annual report of Grand Master Cowles. In choice language he sets forth his work and that of the craft. He says that "One hundred and ten years are a long time relatively, yet the history of those years proclaims that honor and duty have been the pole stars of masonry through this long period and that no stain of dishonor has ever rested upon its banner." He pauses to note the death of Past Grand Master Ramsey and of the grand chaplain, Rev. James W. Rogers, With the flowers of poetry he decorates their memory.

VERY FEW DECISIONS.

He very wisely says—

Our new constitution and regulations are so plainly expressed in good English and the indexes so complete that to the greater number of inquiries put to me it has only been necessary to refer the questioners to the section or number, and I have rendered only a few decisions.

Only five decisions are reported. These are mere routine and solely applicable to Kentucky affairs.

Refuses Dispensations.

Evidently Brother Cowles believes that the law should be allowed to run its course unobstructed. Regarding dispensations he says—

The grand master has no right, authority or power to grant dispensations that would violate the constitution or regulations. No matter what his personal opinions, likes and dislikes are, he is sworn to uphold the law, and in these later refusals I have been guided by the law which this grand lodge has adopted for its government. Personal appeals, solicitations and pleadings, even after the refusal, have made it unpleasant

in some instances; the brethren should realize that the grand master most of all should not transgress the law.

In two cases he refused dispensations to hold masonic funerals over brethren already buried. One had been in the ground three months and the other two weeks. Other petitions were refused, though none was on so grave a subject as those mentioned.

WANTS HIGHER FEES AND DUES.

This Kentucky grand master believes that "it is human nature to appreciate those things that require the greatest sacrifice and greatest cost to obtain. I believe higher fees would make better masons and more liberal ones." He urges that the fees for the degrees be made \$30.00 and dues \$5.00 per year. He says that—

It costs fifty dollars to join the shrine; everyone who takes it seems to be satisfied, and masons just fall over each other to get in. If the shrine is good value at fifty dollars the value of the blue degrees of masonry cannot be computed in dollars. The other bodies have been getting the cream and the lodge of times has been used as a stepping stone. I believe in impressing on the candidate that the blue lodge is the foundation and the principal part of masonry. We can do this by making him feel the expense.

It is unfortunate that our good brother should not make himself clearer in expressing such excellent sentiments.

No Higher Masonry.

There are no "blue degrees in masonry." Blue is the symbolic color of the degrees of ancient craft masonry. He says "that the blue lodge is the foundation and the principal part of masonry." This is only a half truth and as such becomes most dangerous error. The work of the so-called "blue lodge" is not the "foundation" of anything. It is masonry itself. It is the foundation, walls, roof—in fact the whole structure. If some other body sees fit to confine its membership to masons this does not make it masonic. Masonry makes no war on other bodies, composed solely of masons, but there is good reason to object to having it considered a gateway to something else improperly styled "higher degrees in masonry." They may be, and no doubt are, excellent institutions, but they are not any part of masonry.

A MASONIC THEATRE.

The masonic temple at Louisville has a theatrical attachment. The grand master finds that "a theatre is a hard problem." Some of the

elements of difficulty in its solution are shown in the following from his address.

The Boston Amusement Company, the lessee of last year, has failed. Litigation is still with us, old and new. However, the theater has been leased to F. Ray Comstock for ten years at an increase over the previous lease. Better shows are promised, and I hope and believe that the Masonic will be made the first-class theater of this city.

Permit a courteous inquiry. Is not the owning and running of a theatre a little foreign to the mission and scope of masonry?

THE MASONIC HOMES.

Brother Cowles is properly jubilant over the good work in the Homes. The success of the Widows' and Orphans' Home is known far and near. Of the work done by the boys and girls the grand master says—

We have a well equipped printing plant which enables us to get out the Home Journal in its double size as quickly as under the old plan. We can do job printing equal to any, and I bespeak the patronage of the lodges especially for this work. Our boys are doing nicely in the manual training department, and can make altars, desks, ballot-boxes, gavels, etc., fine enough for any lodge in the state. Our boys are also making all the shoes for the Home, including the Sunday shoes for the girls. They make good shoes. I am wearing a pair today that was made in our shoe department, and they are the best I ever had. Our girls are learning stenography and typewriting, they cut and make most of their own clothing, and just delight in making aprons for the masonic lodges. All this training is in addition to a good academic schooling for both boys and girls.

The new building for the "old masons" was about ready for use. Kentucky has led the way to proper care for masonic dependents.

A MASONIC HOSPITAL.

A movement was on foot to establish and maintain a masonic hospital. The grand master endorsed it and recommended that the use of the name be granted. This was favorably reported but the grand lodge refused to concur. Evidently there are lurking dangers feared by the craft. With the Homes and temple the grand lodge has its hands pretty full of troublesome questions.

The committee on fraternal dead pays the following tribute to our late distinguished past grand master in these words—

Past Grand Master John Mills Pearson—Born October 7, 1832, died June 4, 1910. He presided over all the grand bodies of the York Rite, and was an honorary 33d degree mason of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, thus completing the acquisition of masonic honors such as few men have enjoyed.

For more than fifty years of continuous service Bro. W. W. Pigg was made a life member of the grand lodge. Most pigs as old as this one are known by another name.

Application for recognition was made by Salvador, Swiss Alpina and Valle de Mexico. As none complied with the requirements they were allowed to wait until fuller information could be obtained.

PROCEEDINGS OF GRAND LODGES.

P.G.M. WILLIAM W. CLARK is the committee on "Proceedings of Grand Lodges." Generally this is called correspondence, as the work is almost exclusively reviewing the published reports of the doings of grand lodges the name used in Kentucky is most appropriate.

As He Sees Illinois.

Three pages are given to the review of Illinois for 1909. He says that "the address of the grand master is a full and comprehensive statement of his official acts and the affairs of the jurisdiction." Of Brother Bell's tribute to Brother Robbins he says, "He pays a just tribute; nor does he say more of the brilliant and learned masonic jurist than should be said when he wrote." He then quotes the tribute.

Pleading guilty to charge of heresy Brother Clark says, "We are candidly of the opinion that there is more noise made on the subject of uniformity of work than the question justifies." From this it easily may be inferred that Kentucky is not very uniform.

The review concludes with this personal reference—

Brother Cook concludes his excellent report with many general remarks. We are glad to know him as a member of the "Irrepressibles," and hope it may so come about that some day we may know him personally.

Brother Clark forgot to explain "Brother Holland's sunset resolution" after promising to do so.

Grand master, ROBERT R. BURNAM, Richmond; grand secretary, H. B. GRANT, Louisville.

LOUISIANA-1911.

202 Lodges.

OOTH ANNUAL.

13.596 Members.

The proceedings of the grand lodge of the Pelican state in its 99th annual session are full of interest. It takes a little over 400 pages to tell the story. Following in the line of Illinois, the pictures of past grand masters are inserted until the list of former chief officers are all presented. Coming generations will be interested to see what manner of looking men have ruled over the destinies of the craft.

The session opened at New Orleans February 6, 1911, and lasted through the two days following. The roll call of representatives of other grand lodges showed the Illinois diplomat in his place.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Was presented as a resume of his work and as a foundation of the business of the session. After proper felicitations and greetings, Grand Master Thibaut shows the prosperous condition of the fraternity in a net gain in membership of 768. A wise discrimination is shown in the fact that a number of applications for new lodges were turned down. Conditions were not suitable for a successful lodge without working irreparable injury to an existing lodge. The interests of the craft are not always subserved by organizing a new lodge. There are far too many weak and useless lodges already in most states. In Illinois this same wise policy has been the rule of action by grand masters. Yet there are many places where masonry would thrive better and achieve its real mission more effectively it weak and struggling lodges could be closed or consolidated. Often the chief benefit of some of these weak ones is to furnish the master a trip to Chicago at the expense of the grand lodge. Meetings are rarely held and work on candidates has not been done for years.

ONLY GOOD MEN MAKE GOOD MASONS.

The following paragraph from the grand master's address has the right ring. He says—

The conclusion forces itself that the builders of our mystic temple are careless in the choice of their material; many a stone used in the construction of the edifice lacks the characteristics of "good, true and square work." The increased popularity of masonry, the attractive social features at the culmination of the series of our masonic degrees lead many a "good-fellow" among our acquaintance to seek the "pleasures" of masonry (?). The laxness of investigating committees

performing their duties in a perfunctory manner, as a mere matter of form or compliance with the written law; our own disinclination to exercise in a more scrutinizing way our right to the negative ballot, admit the "good-fellow" who soon shows that he is an unworthy member among us. Let the frequenter of the barroom (the good-fellow), the inveterate blasphemer, the libertine, loose in morals and in personal honor, remain without our portals. Their association with us can only bring disgrace and dishonor to the craft.

THE ONLY ONE IN THE WORLD.

Attention is called to the work of Louisiana Relief Lodge No. 1. This is a body that confers no degrees. It is, as its name implies, chartered solely for handling relief of distressed sojourning masons in New Orleans. This city, owing to its cosmopolitan character, needs this provision for special relief work. Other cities have a board but here there is a regularly organized lodge with no other function than that of relieving a worthy distressed brother. The report shows the expenditure of \$2,349.89 in this way. Brothers coming from twenty-seven grand lodges were given assistance. Among these Illinois received \$25.50. The largest amount went to Mexico, \$155.00. Other states receiving large sums were Louisiana \$141.50, Mississippi \$128.75. Ohio \$123.00, Texas \$107.85, Michigan \$95.00, and Georgia \$75.00. Smaller sums went to representatives of grand lodges all over the world.

WANT A HOME.

The movement for a Widows' and Orphans' Home is progressing. With a membership of less than 14,000 the problem becomes anything but easy of solution. True, the number of beneficiaries would not be so large as would be found in larger jurisdictions. Cost of maintenance of a home is but little more for one hundred members than for fifty. The grand master puts the temple indebtedness as a barrier and concludes by saying, "Let us not touch this question." Singular logic. Why not sell the temple, go out of the real estate business and take up the true aim of masonry in caring for dependent master masons, their widows and orphans? Often the desire for a great showy "Masonic Temple" in a city defeats the most sacred purposes of masonry. However, the grand lodge did not accept the advice of the grand master. It was decided to "touch" the home question.

The special committee recommended that when \$50,000 had been raised that the work proceed. One gift of \$5,000 was presented at this session. The donor was Bro. John Frederick Popp. A few pops like this would soon reach the required amount. The home will come.

THE CENTURY MARK

Will have been reached by the Louisiana grand lodge in 1912. It is preparing to celebrate elaborately. A medal, suitably commemorating the event, will be provided. There are to be 800 of these at a cost of \$2,000. It is also provided that a banquet for 600, costing \$1,500 be a feature. An oration and a reproduction of "Scott's History of the Rise and Progress of Free Masonry" are to be provided. As a grand lodge does not often have a chance at a centennial our brethren of the south might be expected to "frill up" some.

TEMPLE TROUBLES.

A serious problem confronts the masons of Louisiana and it is ably presented by the grand master. The masonic temple is old and cannot compete with modern buildings. Much of the building, formerly yielding revenue, stands idle. The situation is a serious one. The grand master says—

I believe the time has come when a new temple is absolutely necessary. There is no sentiment attached to this building, and as a business proposition, it is a failure. It may be wisdom on our part to demolish the present structure and erect a modern building for masonic and business purposes on the present site. In our present location, combining lodge and office facilities, we could increase our revenues and enter the field of competition without fear of results. Or, should we not desire to derive revenues from our temple, it might be more expedient to sell the present property for a fixed price and erect in some other locality a new temple exclusively devoted to craft purposes.

Many grand lodges have been seriously hindered in their legitimate work by their ambition to shine in the real estate world. Great buildings bring great debts, great troubles and great responsibilities.

FOREIGN RELATIONS.

Grand Master Thibaut says that he approaches the above subject "with some degree of trepidation." He thinks "the tenet of universal brotherhood is still a gilded vision." In his view it would add something to the universality of masonry of recognizing the "Grand Lodge Alpina of Switzerland." The committee on foreign correspondence does not agree as the following will show.

In the matter of the Grand Lodge Alpina, we desire further time for consideration. In a recent publication it is stated that it is not required that the Great Light, the Holy Bible, be upon its altars and that as a matter of fact, a number of its lodges do not have it there, but have substituted two pieces of pasteboard with blank leaves between them, something like the child's lunch basket, the "Scholar's Companion," looks like a book, but is not. Your committee is satisfied that the Grand Lodge Alpina is legitimate in the sense of proper origin, and that many

worthy deeds have been done by it, but like the above, there are too many evidences that it has swung loose from the ancient landmarks.

ANY OK. WILL Do.

Brother Thibaut stands on a broad platform so far as recognition goes. He thinks that "The recognition and acceptance as regular by the A.A.S.R. southern jurisdiction of a supreme council and the fact that it is the governing body of the dominant rite in a foreign country should be a patent establishing its right to fraternal recognition." Why not ask the supreme body of knights templar to OK. the applicant when it is not convenient to get the Scottish Rite endorsement? It is perhaps in consequence of these singularly broad (?) views regarding the standards of ancient craft masonry that Brother Thibaut's grand lodge is in fraternal relations with some twenty odd grand bodies not recognized by Illinois and other grand lodges. These latter believe that masonry should be kept pure and undefiled in the midst of all the fads and frills of modern times.

Paraguay was taken into full fellowship on recommendation of the committee on correspondence.

The grand master refers to correspondence with the grand master of Illinois concerning jurisdiction for Hesperia Lodge No. 411. The candidate had been away from Louisiana more than three years and the rejecting lodge under their laws had lost jurisdiction.

MAKES MUCH LAW.

The grand master says that he has written over 1,300 letters and has "been able to perpetrate some hundred decisions." He is merciful and only reports fifty-five. This is a real reform as the grand master of the preceding year "perpetrated" and reported seventy-seven decisions. Very few of these rulings are of any interest outside of Louisiana.

LIQUOR CASE.

In one he holds that a lodge U.D. has a right to receive a dimit for affiliation.

No. 21. In reply to inquiry from S. O. Landry, W.M. of St. Joseph Lodge No. 79, "Whether it is against the masonic law to entertain the petition of a saloon-keeper," I ruled that it was not. Masonry does not look to the avocations of applicants so long as they possess the moral qualifications.

This accords with Brother Bell's decision and the action of our grand lodge in the Petersburg case.

SOME FUNDAMENTALS,

He was asked regarding a man "who acknowledges his belief in God but at the same time does not believe in the immortality of the soul." He says—

I ruled that according to what is generally received as "Ancient Masonry," no other religious test is necessary than the profession of the candidate's belief in the existence of a Supreme Being. To require that a candidate profess belief in the immortality of the soul or any other religious tenet is a serious as well as unnecessary innovation in the body of masonry.

• The committee on masonic law and jurisprudence most effectually answered the foregoing masonic heresy in these words.

The teaching of the belief in immortality speaks out of every symbol and emblem of the esoteric system and unmistakably in the great action of the master's degree. The evergreen and the sprig of acacia bloom at the head of our graves as emblems of our hope. The temple which we are ever constructing towards completion is the "house not made with hands eternal in the heavens." The very atmosphere of the lodge room is permeated with this exalted faith and all our work and our sympathies and the manifestation of the bond of universal brotherhood take their inspiration from this one profound, divine, all-embracing tenet of immortality.

If the brother quietly holds this belief to himself and makes no display of it in the lodge, the matter had best perhaps rest at that. But if, while "at labor." the subject is obtruded and the disbelief announced in open contradiction to the teachings of masonry, a case for serious discipline presents itself. As stated, every thing, every step, in the ritualistic work and in our prayers proclaims this immortality as our faith and therefore, a brother openly announcing his exclusion from the sacred circle is no longer in the right place.

When a white black bird is found or when an honest horse thief is discovered it may be possible to find a man who believes in God and denies the immortality of the soul. One who professes the attitude described most likely seeks to gain admission to masonry under false pretenses.

MANY LANGUAGES.

A resolution was adopted which provides that-

A committee on foreign correspondence to be composed of a chairman, speaking the English language, and such further number of members as may be necessary to provide that there shall be a member for each of the foreign languages in which the proceedings of grand lodges are printed.

Presumably the members other than the chairman are those able to speak the languages of other countries. There are five named to represent as many other languages. These were Spanish, German, Norwegian, Swedish, and Italian.

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Was written by Herman C. Duncan. He was more fortunate than most correspondents. The grand lodge not only received the report and ordered it printed but the record shows that it was "adopted." In Illinois the grand lodge would scarcely be willing to be committed to all that any reviewer might present. It is printed for information of the craft concerning the doings of other grand lodges of the world. The report is brief and well presented.

How WE ARE TREATED.

Illinois gets consideration in three pages and that is quite generous. He says that "the grand master, M.W. Bro. Bell, is a business man, and his address is nearly all business, told in a business way."

He quotes with approval the part of Brother Bell's address concerning the need of masters being taught masonic law as well as ritual.

Regarding Brother Cook's report he speaks in a complimentary vein. He says that there is no "foot" to the correspondents' table. It is round and Brother Cook and Illinois are accorded a prominent seat. Reference is made to views held by Brothers Cook and Robbins. As the latter has gone to his reward and the former is not on trial the present reviewer will let it rest where Brother Duncan leaves it.

Grand master, John S. Thibaut, Donaldsonville; grand secretary, Richard Lambert, New Orleans.

MAINE-1911.

203 LODGES.

92ND ANNUAL.

28,781 MEMBERS.

The annual communication of the grand lodge of Maine was held at Portland, May 2-4, 1911. The proceedings appear well and about 300 pages are necessary to give the details of the session.

Owing to a great fire at his home the grand master, Rev. Ashley A. Smith, was unable to be present at the opening. Both his dwelling and his church were licked up by the flames. The deputy grand master opened the grand lodge in due form. Owing to the grand master's great loss, later in the session, the grand lodge voted him \$200 out of the treasury.

The representative of Illinois, Bro. Wm. R. G. Estes was recorded as present.

THE ANNUAL ADDRESS

Of Grand Master Smith was read by the deputy grand master. It is brief but interesting, being devoted chiefly to the details of the work of the year. That Brother Smith was handy with his special dispensation is shown in the issuance of forty-six permissions to lodges to attend divine service, thirty-eight being for St. John's Sunday and eight on other Sundays. With such general tendency of their lodges to go to church as masonic bodies, it might save labor to incorporate permission in the law. In this state it is not considered conducive to harmony to allow lodges to appear in public except in the performance of a masonic duty. In selecting a church there might be friction between Jew and Gentile, Methodist and Baptist, or others of the many sects.

THEY HAVE A TEMPLE.

The grand master refers to the laying of a corner stone as follows; The best example of our masonic work and outward activity during the course of the year is the laying of the corner-stone and the building of that temple in this city which during the course of this year will open its doors to us in glad welcome, and within whose halls we shall be both happy and proud to assemble.

In Maine district deputy grand masters are busy in visiting lodges, their expenses being paid out of the grand lodge treasury. During the year the amount paid was \$544.54. The district deputy has important duties. Illinois might make more use of her capable deputies. In the annual election Bro. Ashley A. Smith was re-elected grand master.

GREETINGS FROM PRESIDENT TAFT.

Without giving any special reason for its sending, a telegram conveying the greetings of President TAFT was read and placed in the record. Brother TAFT need not be partial. Any grand lodge would be pleased to be greeted by the chief executive of our great nation, even though he may have been "made a mason at sight,"

"The proceedings of the trustees of the charity fund" show transactions involving a total of \$10.071.00. There were seventy-nine application for aid. The sum of \$1,208 was voted to take care of the cases of need. 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 ANNUAL REVIEW

Of grand lodges is written by ALBRO E. CHASE. It is a concise and readable report, largely given over to summaries and quotations. However, Brother Chase occasionally throws in a very incisive criticism or comment. Here is one from the review of Kentucky.

We wonder when the grand lodge will welcome and accord the grand honors to the Great Incohonee of the Improved Order of Red Men. They so welcomed and honored some one introduced as the Imperial Potentate of the A.A.O.N.M.S., of North America. He addressed the grand lodge, too. Did he discuss the best method of feeding camels so that the flow of milk would increase? Did he explain why the sands that must be crossed by the candidate are made so hot? Perhaps he explained the great motive for the organization of the body he represented and urged the members of the grand lodge to hasten their ways and take the "higher degrees" to the end that the "Arab patrol" might capture them.

The foregoing requires no special key to unlock the attitude of the Maine correspondent. His position is as sound as a gold dollar, new from Uncle Sam's mint.

In reviewing Oklahoma Brother Chase indulges in a rather sarcastic reference to the negro question. He says—

He very freely and unwisely discusses the Mississippi-New Jersey embroglio and declines "to form any fraternal relation with the grand lodge of New Jersey," and sets a time when New Jersey can so act that its members can be recognized in Oklahoma. Poor New Jersey! Unwise Oklahoma! Did you never read of some trouble like this up in Washington?

REGARDING ILLINOIS.

Brother Chase is inclined to poke fun at Grand Master Ashley. He says that "it must have been a great oversight on our part, but for the first time we notice that the ground master makes a 'report' not an address." A little further on attention is called to the fact that our record says that "the address of the M.W. grand master was on motion, referred to the committee on grand master's address." Well, what of it? After all Grand Master Ashley is correct. The grand lodge by-laws require that "the grand master shall present at each annual communication of the grand lodge a written report setting forth such of his official acts and decisions," etc. Nothing is said about an "address." In common with many of the reviewers Brother Chase quotes the forceful words of Grand Master Ashley regarding non-affiliates.

A paragraph from Brother Smith's oration is given. Regarding the appointment of this correspondent Brother Chase says that "we welcome

him to the round table. We let him introduce himself and we congratulate Illinois on its choice of correspondent." Then he gives liberal quotations from the Illinois correspondence report of 1910. Brother Chase quotes paragraphs from the reviews of Alabama, Iowa and Maryland. The correspondent makes the only reference to the fraternal dead of other jurisdictions. He refers to those of Illinois who have passed on in the following language.

Notices of the deaths of two distinguished masons have been received: M.W. Bro. John Mills Pearson, for more than fifty years a member of the grand lodge, who stood "for civic righteousness, honorable and square dealings, and for loyalty and fidelity to the craft."

M.W. Bro. John Corson Smith, known by reputation to every reading mason, who made an enviable record in the civil war, who was an efficient state official, who was useful in all bodies of masonry.

Reference is also made to the departure of WILLIAM B. GRIMES.

Grand master, Rev. Ashley A. Smith, Bangor; grand secretary, Stephen Berry, Portland.

MANITOBA—1911.

71 LODGES.

36TH ANNUAL.

5,619 Members.

It is a real pleasure to take up for review the small but attractive proceedings of the British province of Manitoba. It is so American in its matter and make-up that it gives the impression of being of the new world. The British grand lodges and some of the provincial are so loaded down with titular redundancy and so much of the real live work of the grand bodies is omitted that their perusal and review are something like reading a city directory or the dictionary. One of the Americanisms, most acceptable on this side of the water, is the use of dollars and cents rather than pounds, shillings and pence in financial statistics.

The annual communication was held at Winnipeg June 14 and 15, 1911. M.W. Bro. John Leslie was present as the representative of Illinois.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Was a brief but interesting presentation of his official acts for the year. He calls for proper observance of the three-hundredth anniversary of the King James version of the Bible. A circular letter to the lodges was issued calling attention to the world recognition of this important event in the advance of civilization. A few extracts will prove of interest.

You will remember that we are, upon entering the craft, to seriously contemplate the volume of the Sacred Law, being the unerring standard of truth and justice.

Viewed merely on its ethical side, its precepts must help, and do help us all, in our daily walk of life, and by following its directions, we are bound to live happier and healthier lives.

The language of our ritual is the language of the Bible, with its simplicity, its dignity, its power, its happy terms of expression, its general accuracy, and not least the music of its cadences and the felicities of its rhythm.

We have all felt the influence of the Bible, in the social life of the people and in the English language, and this can scarcely be overestimated.

Great men like Addison, Pope, Farrar. Johnson, Bacon, Newton, Milton, Cromwell, Bunyan, Scott, Ruskin, Macaulay, Tennyson, Dickens and a host of others have sung the praises of that Great Book, and even agnostics like Huxley, have declared that that "Book has been woven into the life of all that is best and noblest in English history; that it has become the national epic of Britain, and is familiar to the noble and simple; that it is written in the noblest and purest English, and abounds in exquisite beauties of a merely literary form, and that it forbids the veriest hind who never left his village to be ignorant of the existence of other countries and other civilizations, and of a great past stretching back to the furtherest limits of the oldest nations of the world," and he (Huxley) called it the "Magna Charta of the poor and oppressed."

More Metal than Masonry.

Grand Master Baker is sound to the core in another direction. The following paragraphs will appeal to all thinking masons as true and timely.

From observations extending over some years, I have noticed a decided tendency to exhibit an undue display of emblems worn in various ways upon the person of the brethren. This should be deprecated, as being contrary to the spirit of true masonry. It needs but a little consideration to see that a mere metallic oranment can hardly be sufficient to announce to the world that we belong to a society which is based on a morality. Something more is necessarily required of us. What, then, should be our emblem? Should it not be character and deportment and becoming dignity, fitting to those principles which are our bulwark and pride?

On the other hand, a modest display of our emblem may have, and should have an influence on our lives, for it should ever remind us of our obligations and make us display in our every walk of life, that we are of a brotherhood whose tenets and teachings are founded on truth and rectitude of conduct. I have observed that the larger the emblem the less the wearer recollects what it represents.

The brother, then, who makes a great metallic display and forgets by his tenor of life, that he belongs to our order, not only brings disgrace upon himself, but stigmatizes our whole system and casts an odious reflection on every member of the craft. Our responsibility, therefore, is very great to the order.

PEACE PREVAILS.

The committee on grievances and appeals reported that "during the past year no complaint or grievance appertaining to masonic discipline nor appeals from the decision of any lodge or master thereof have been submitted for our consideration, indicating that peace and harmon; prevail throughout the jurisdiction of the grand lodge." Gain in membership is 468.

That the services of the grand secretary are appreciated is shown by a raise of his salary to \$2,400. For a grand lodge of seventy-one lodges and less than 6,000 members this may properly be said to be "going some." Illinois with 110,000 members and about 800 lodges pays Brother Cutter \$3,000 or but \$600 more than does little Manitoba Brother Ovas. A useful committee on "The condition of freemasonry," reviews the work of the grand lodge and submits a valuable report.

The passing of the two Illinois masonic giants, John M. Pearson and John C. Smith, is noted in the report of the committee on fraternal dead.

THE AGED AND INDIGENT.

A fund of about \$25,000 has been accumulated to care for the needy ones. The committee says that "the fund is not yet large enough to warrant definite application of the same." It is steadily growing having gained about \$5,000 during the year.

The rank of R.W. past district deputy grand master was conferred on several brethren. Why confer the rank? When a brother fills the place and retires he is a P.D.D.G.M.. If he never has been district deputy he can't be made one by any vote of the grand lodge. Past grand officers should be real ones and not sail under the wrong flag.

No correspondence report.

Grand master, John Wemyss, Neepawa: grand secretary, James A. Ovas, Winnipeg.

MARYLAND—1910.

113 LODGES.

124TH ANNUAL.

13.182 MEMBERS.

Owing to the illness of the veteran grand secretary the statistical features of the proceedings of Maryland for 1910 were difficult to secure. No tabulation of lodges or membership was given. To get the totals it was necessary to pick out the details from "Return of Members of the Lodges" covering almost 150 pages. This shows that, although the highest numbered lodge is 210, yet the actual number of live lodges is but 113. This leaves ninety-eight defunct during the century and a quarter of the existence of the grand lodge.

The proceedings at hand cover the semi-annual held in May and the annual in November.

MEXICO FINALLY FORGOTTEN.

At the May meeting the work was almost wholly routine. But one matter of outside interest appears. The committee on foreign correspondence submitted a report recommending the recognition of Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico. The chief argument was that because other grand lodges have entered into fraternal relations with this questionable body Maryland should do so. They wanted to be like other people and float with the current. The consideration of the report was postponed until the November annual and was then forgotten.

The death of King EDWARD was presented and appropriate action taken in memory of the distinguished man and mason.

CORNER STONE OF PUMP HOUSE.

Two special communications of the grand lodge are recorded in full. One of these was "for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the pumping station of the sewerage system to be erected for the city of Baltimore." This certainly appears as a unique exercise of the power and privilege of public appearance. A pumping station would be among the last that would answer to a roll call of public buildings. However, if a grand lodge sees fit to assist a city in advertising that it has a pumping station for sewerage purposes it must be voted orthodox and no outside heretic has any right to complain.

Almost a Century and a Quarter.

The 124th annual session began in Baltimore Tuesday, November 15, 1010. As usual the grand lodge was opened in due form by the deputy

grand master, whereupon the grand marshal, accompanied by the grand sword bearer, grand pursuivant and grand director of ceremonies made strict search and due inquiry in and about the several apartments of the "temple" to see if Grand Master Shryock could be found. He was at length discovered and escorted into the grand lodge where he was received with acclaim and the grand honors and seated in the east. Following this was the introduction of a distinguished delegation of masons from Virginia. These were Grand Master McChesrey, Past Grand Master Duke, Junior Grand Deacon Field and Brother Callahan, worshipful master of Alexandria-Washington lodge. They came in the interest of the movement for a memorial at Alexandria to "Washington, the mason."

A LAW UNTO HIMSELF.

The grand master of Maryland has ever been a law unto himself. During his twenty-five years of continuous service he has not reported his doings to the grand lodge in a formal way. He merely makes a brief oral address of welcome. This year it covers the space of one page in the proceedings. He referred in a touching manner to the illness of Grand Secretary Isaac who, though feeble, was able to be present. His only other reference was to the Washington memorial and the visit of the Virginia brethren.

LITTLE GENERAL BUSINESS DONE.

The business of the session amounted to little beyond presenting and approving the financial reports of the grand secretary and grand treasurer together with the routine reports of a few committees. So far as the records disclose the Valle de Mexico report was not considered. Possibly the factional difficulties in the Mexican body resulting in two so-called grand lodges of the same name and the seal, records and archives in the hands of the insurrectos had something to do with producing this boisterous silence.

SHRYOCK IN THE SPOT LIGHT.

The principal interest of the session centered in the unveiling of "the bas-relief which is to commemorate in bronze the merits of our grand master and the gratitude of the craft." This was set up in the corrider of the Temple between the two entrances to the grand lodge room. This tablet presented the figure of Thomas Jacob Shryock seated in the oriental chair with a scroll in his left hand and his right pointing to the compasses and square and other implements of masonry. The lower corners bore the dates 1885 and 1910, covering the period of Brother Shryock's uninterrupted service as grand master of Maryland.

A TRUTHFUL TRIBUTE.

The address was made by Bro. James H. Butler. This was brief and sensible. He pays a beautiful tribute in these words.

His life in connection with this organization reads like a grand masonic poem.

The fraternity have always recognized him as a most sagacious leader and as one of the most honorable citizens of Maryland, and as a Mason, as the one, who, when the question is asked of any of the fraternity, who best illustrates in his life and character the golden principles of our order, his mind involuntarily turns to our grand master and points to him as his reply.

His reputation as a mason, and his rulings as a grand master of masons are not merely local, but are known all over this country, aye. known and honored all over the world.

He has visited lodges in England, Scotland and on the continent and has held a lodge in the quarries of King Solomon's temple in the Holy Land.

For twenty-five years this noble man and mason, this friend and brother, has labored for the good of the craft, guiding us, sustaining us, striving for us, leading us through all our difficulties as a pillar of cloud by day, and a pillar of flame by night, until his words, his actions, his worth have been chiseled indelibly upon the tablets of masonic history, and there they will remain forever.

THIS WAS NOT ALL.

To show further how the grand master was enshrined in the hearts of the Maryland craft "each mason in the state was asked to contribute some metallic substance not to exceed one dollar in value" and to have cast out of the metal thus given a symbolic loving cup. This was superbly fashioned and executed as the picture shows. It was presented at the conclusion of the twenty-five years of service. No one of the committee of twelve having this in charge was a member of the grand lodge. It came as a tribute from individual masons of the state. Truly in this case the bible theory is set aside. Here is a prophet with honor in his own country.

THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Resulted in the re-election of Grand Master Shrvock by a unanimous vote, no other name being presented. All the other grand officers were elected in a like manner. Surely peace and harmony prevail in "Maryland, My Maryland,"

ONE MAN POWER.

The question will intrude itself as to the advisability of a grand lodge continuing so long in control of one man, even though he be a Thomas J. Shryock. Might not the injection of new blood and dif-

ferent ideas be a help in the advancement of the work of freemasonry? That too frequent changes in government are detrimental cannot well be disputed. This, however, should not result in life tenure. Our own grand lodge with its unwritten law of two years for the grand master has a magnificent army enrolled of over one hundred thousand. The growth in Maryland has been satisfactory but not great. First, let there be careful selection and the courageous use of the black ball and then as many men of good report as can come well recommended. Numbers are not everything but with proper safeguards they are most desirable. The records appear incomplete, probably the result of the enfeebled condition of the grand secretary.

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Is from the hand of that veteran reviewer, EDWARD T. SCHULTZ. He presents his 24th annual report. He uses 122 pages to tell the story of masonry throughout the world during 1910. Illinois comes in for a fair share of attention, being given three pages. He refers to Illinois as having 95,000. We now have considerably over 100,000. He is not surprised that Brother Bell used proxies in various masonic functions during the year. Brother Bell could have done it and not "sprained" himself at all but he liked to pass honors around.

He quotes Brother Bell's tribute to Brother Robbins almost in full, and adds, "We have a most pleasing recollection of meeting Brother Robbins at the Masonic Congress in Chicago in 1893 of which he was one of the most active participants in the proceedings."

THE LIQUOR QUESTION.

Referring to action in the liquor case from Petersburg Brother Schultz adds, "All of which we approve, although we would have been better pleased had the words been added—nor can a grand lodge make that unlawful 'which is not unlawful under the laws of the state.'" Brother Schultz would scarcely want to stand on such a platform as he announces. Refusing to pay dues to a masonic lodge and declining to obey a summons from a lodge could not be made unlawful by the state yet they are masonic offenses for which brethren are disciplined. Masonry's standards are far above the state and can make that unlawful which the government would not consider an offense.

A STARTLING ANNOUNCEMENT

Is made that "Maryland pays neither mileage nor per diem to the representatives of a lodge." In Illinois about \$20,000 each year go to the payment of representatives, committees, etc. As a consequence, almost every

lodge in the state, no matter how small or how distant from Chicago, is represented by its master and wardens or one of them. In a multitude of counselors there is wisdom. It pays to spend money to get close to the craft.

He does not agree with Brother Cook regarding one ballot for all the degrees but thinks there should be a vote for each.

Grand master, Thomas J. Shryock, Baltimore; grand secretary George Cook, Baltimore.

MASSACHUSETTS—1910.

241 LODGES.

177TH ANNUAL.

58,679 MEMBERS.

It takes about 400 closely printed pages to tell the masonic story of Massachusetts for 1910. The record shows four quarterly communications during the year. The one held December 14 is the annual. St. John's Day, December 27, is the "stated" for installation of officers and the celebration of the anniversary of St. John, the evangelist. Eleven specials were held and the proceedings are printed in full.

A CENTURY AND A HALF.

On March 20, the 150th anniversary of Philanthropic lodge at Marblehead was the reason for the assembling of the grand lodge. There were a number of observances of fifty years' existence. These look rather youthful beside the century and one-half of Philanthropic. The old "down-east" state maintains its stately isolation by refusing to exchange representatives and to have a correspondence report. It is easy for reviewers to say what they will and there is no talking back. The death record shows the loss of P.G.M. John A. Blake, and 941 other craftsmen, many of whom were well known. Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was taken into the fraternal family. This was done in March, before the rebellion and the formation of another grand lodge covering the same territory.

Suitable reference was made to the death of King EDWARD of England.

It took eight pages to record the report of the committee on appeals involving one case. The question was chiefly a parliamentary one, pertaining to the adoption of an amendment to a by-law of a lodge. Why

not thresh out all the details in the committee and let the report show only the conclusions?

A Box Full.

The corner stone of a new masonic temple was placed at Cambridge at a special meeting held June 30. There were forty-four different articles placed in the box in the stone. This will rival the skilful work of Bro. T. W. Stevenson in packing the box that went into the corner stone of the new masonic building at Bloomington, laid April 25 of this year.

Here, as elsewhere, the question of jurisdiction between lodges is ever present. The matter of residence is constantly making trouble for the grand masters and grand lodges. This is not always from ignorance of the law. Often lodges are over anxious for members and cross the line for forbidden fruit. Grand Master Flanders gave some very strennous advice to his lodges on the question of jurisdiction.

THEY HAVE A TEMPLE.

The brethren of Massachusetts have been ambitious for a material monument. They have a temple with assessed value of \$1,340,000. An increase in value of \$48,000 is made by the assessor over that of the year previous. The total indebtedness remaining on this valuable property is \$250,000. It is needless to say that a grand lodge with a membership of less than 60,000 would find it difficult to meet its obligations. The annual interest charge at 5 per cent would make it necessary to pay \$12,500 each year. It was not surprising to find that the "balance on hand" at the close of 1910 was only \$395.80. It is a serious question whether it pays a grand lodge to make itself "sway-backed" in carrying the load of a great city building largely for commercial purposes.

THE MASONIC HOME.

It was recorded last year that 397 acres at Charlton, known as "Overlook," had been purchased for the site of a masonic home. As yet it has not been possible to prepare to receive those needing its shelter. The board in charge of the home say that "the difficulties of adapting the buildings to new uses had been foreseen and appreciated and sufficient progress has been made in the task of overcoming them to warrant the board in the belief that tangible results of their labors will appear at an early day and that to the beauty and healthfulness of the chosen location may be added its complete fitness as a Home." The report shows that \$127.457.73 constituted the fund collected to the time of the annual meeting in December. The effort has been made to have every lodge contribute \$5.00 for each of its members. So far twenty-

eight lodges have done this. In Illinois we have no temple but we have two amply equipped Homes for the care of needy worthy brothers, their wives, widows and orphans. Even with a membership almost double that of Massachusetts, we have scarcely felt equal to the temple enterprise. A modest home for the grand lodge costing \$50,000 or \$75,000 might not be a serious problem. A great temple in a great city may have advantages but it does not fit into the aim and purpose of masonry.

IDENTIFICATION CARD.

A committee reported the following as an addition to the law.

On payment of dues the secretary of such subordinate lodge shall in the month of January in each year issue to him (as well as to each honorary and life member, and officer as aforesaid) an identification card for the current year, which card must be shown to the tyler before being admitted into any subordinate lodge.

The proposition did not meet with favor and was voted down.

"The master, wardens and members of the grand lodge of masons in Massachusetts." is the official designation of the grand lodge.

APPROVED BUT NO CASH.

It was decided to approve the principle of the "Memorial to Washington, the Mason" and to commend the zeal and work of the brethren of Alexandria-Washington lodge, "but at present do not feel justified in pledging the co-operation of the brethren in the matter of subscriptions." It will require more than approval of principle and commendation of zeal to erect a national monument to Washington.

INTERNATIONAL BUREAU.

There is an organization at Neufchatel, Switzerland, known as the International Bureau of Masonic Affairs. The aim of this body is "to bring the grand masonic bodies of the world into a closer fraternity and deeper sympathy; to facilitate intercourse among the masonic powers and to develop the fraternal ties; to interchange masonic periodicals, thus instituting a library and archives, conducive to the interest and progress of universal masonic work; to gather documentary evidence concerning each masonic power, about the rituals, masonic literature and accumulate everything masonic which will enable the bureau to be in possession of reliable details.

In short, its object is to spread the knowledge of masonry, its history, its activity, its work, its aims, and in this way unite and strengthen the masonic forces in the world and be a blessing to universal humanity.

In this work the bureau does not in any way encroach upon the sovereignty of grand bodies nor intrude upon their local affairs; nor is it a tribunal that decides conflicts or settles differences. Its labor is something better, the fostering of the spirit of fraternity, good will and toleration."

The result of this presentation was that the grand lodge endorsed the bureau and appropriated \$25.00 to assist in carrying on its work.

THE STATED COMMUNICATION

Was held December 27 to install the grand officers and celebrate the feast of St. John, the Evangelist. Not many grand lodges have this feature. Usually installation comes at the close of the session at which the election is held. The observance of the feasts of the two eminent christian patrons of Freemasonry, St. John the Baptist, June 24. and St. John the Evangelist, December 27, have fallen into pretty general disuse. One remarkable feature of the election needs mention. For the entire roster of grand officers, including temple directors, auditing committee and nine members of the masonic board of relief there was but one vote in opposition. Here is harmony so dense and moist that it could be cut with a cheese knife. Still, that is the strength of the masonic institution. The record shows eleven lodges not represented this year, two had been out two years and one for three years.

THE GRAND FEAST.

At 6 p.m. the craft repaired to the banquet room and remained until 10 o'clock. Certainly neither feed, fun nor frolic was wanting. The grand master was in charge. He said "let us drink to those who are not with us today" etc. He does not say what they drank. It could not have been filtered Boston Bay Water! Yet, no information is given as to the kind or quality of drink. But they drank. It will not be possible to give much idea of the speeches. They were many, bright, snappy and highly entertaining.

Grand Secretary Davis divided oratorical honors with Rev. Bro. W. Ashby Jones of Georgia. With Songs—"Dixie," "Star Spangled Banner," "Red, White and Blue,"—fraternal hands were metaphorically clasped over the place where any bloody chasm had ever divided the sections into North and South. Others were called but limitation of space forbids further notice.

There is no grand orator or annual oration in Massachusetts. No correspondence report is ever written or printed. This is nothing short of a great loss to the craft of the "Old Bay State." Some of the

literary geniuses, for which the State and its Hub are famous, could glean from the work of masonry as shown in the published proceedings of the various grand lodges of the world, much of rare interest and inestimable value.

Grand master, Dana J. Flanders, Malden; grand secretary Thomas W. Davis, Masonic Temple, Boston.

MICHIGAN-1911.

417 LODGES.

67TH ANNUAL.

65,708 MEMBERS.

A fine appearing book of 700 pages, with handsome gold-embossed cover design, gives an interesting record of the doings of masonry in the Wolverine state for the past year. The session was held at Port Huron May 23 and 24, 1911. The membership report shows a net gain of 2,898. Life members have increased from 1,004 to 1,262. The picture of the new grand master, James E. Dillon, hangs on the fly-leaf, while the smiling faces of the eleven other grand officers are grouped on the opposite page. Arthur M. Hume, who represents Illinois at the court of Michigan, was at his post of duty.

Welcome was extended by the mayor of Port Huron. Further greetings were given by the senior past grand master, William T. Mitchell, who tips the age-beam at 94. He is a resident of Port Huron and the grand lodge met there largely in his honor.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Was strictly a business document. One short paragraph is given as a specimen of the many good sayings of the grand master.

To make the path a little plainer for other's feet; to add a little to the light that is battling with the gloom; to make the world a little better, cheerier and happier for our presence in it—this is the great debt we, as masons, owe the world.

The death of the two masonic giants of Illinois, John M. Pearson and John C. Smith, is noted.

LIBERAL WITH DISPENSATIONS.

The grand master granted dispensations in twenty-five cases "to confer the master mason's degree in less than a lunar month from the

time of conferring of the E.A. degree." In Illinois no dispensation is required. Each candidate can advance whenever he has made suitable proficiency in the preceding degree. This must be proven by examination in open lodge.

Three dispensations "to ballot on candidates in less than a lunar month" were granted. One dispensation was "to change date of regular meeting." In our state a grand master has no power to change the by-law of a lodge fixing the dates of stated meetings.

TROUBLE OVER RITUALS.

The grand master says that-

No one item gives the grand master more calls for correspondence than that of "rituals."

Many of the lodges do not appreciate the fact that they are grand lodge property and loaned to the constituent lodge.

Michigan could save itself much worry and vastly improve in efficiency of work, if it would have a big bonfire and let its rituals go up in smoke.

PEACE WITH CANADA.

The two grand lodges with but a small stream of water between them came to fraternal blows. A lodge at Port Huron, Mich., went across the river to Port Sarnia, Canada, and buried one of its members with the masonic rites of Michigan. This was done without authority or consent of the grand lodge of Canada. This consent could easily have been obtained as the grand master of Canada lived in Sarnia, not over a mile from the Michigan lodge. The trouble went so far as to break fraternal relations of the two grand jurisdictions. The Canadian grand master issued an edict of non-intercourse. This continued until the meeting of the grand lodge of Michigan. After the new grand master had been installed, Daniel F. Macwatt, grand master of Canada, and Thomas Montgomery, D.D.G.M., were introduced and mutual felicitations were indulged. The two sister grand lodges found their troubles harmonized and have lived happily ever after. The impression made by this controversy on an outsider is that a little less technicality and a little more brotherly consideration would have easily avoided this family jar.

DROPPED INTO HER LAP.

In February, 1910, the Masonic Home, was entirely destroyed by fire. Temporary arrangements were made to care for the members. A committee was appointed to begin preparations for re-building. Before any real work had been done a plum dropped into the lap of the grand lodge. Ammi W. Wright offered to give the masons the Alma Sanitarium at Alma, Mich., to be used as a Masonic Home. This is a large, well-constructed building with ample accommodations. It was accepted by the grand lodge by a vote of 197 to 129.

The membership of the Home March 31 was 30 men and 18 women—total 57. The weekly per capita cost is given at \$4.85. The board c1 control is made up of three representatives of each of the following bodies; grand lodge, grand chapter, R.A.M.; grand council, grand commandery and grand chapter O.E.S. This gives representation to all bodies. A board of fifteen is pretty large for best results. Membership in the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada was accepted and the fee ordered to be paid.

On report of the committee on foreign correspondence fraternal relations were continued with Mexico under the new name of "York Grand Lodge of Mexico F. and A.M."

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Is the eighth written by Bro. Lou B. Winsor. He quotes the regulation of the grand lodge forbidding criticism or comment "upon decisions, laws and regulations of this or any other grand lodge." Hence, his work is mostly narration and quotation. The reports of Brother Bell of the Baltimore conference and Brother Darrah of the meeting at Alexandria for the Washington memorial are copied in full. The report of the Illinois correspondence committee regarding recognition of Egypt is given in its entirety. He says that Bro. Frank G. Smith, grand orator, delivered an eloquent oration which is published in full in the proceedings." The entire introduction to the report on correspondence of Illinois for 1910 is reproduced.

Grand master, James E. Dillon, East Tawas; grand secretary, Lou B. Winson, Reed City.

MINNESOTA—1911.

253 Lodges.

58th Annual.

25,800 MEMBERS.

A little more than three months after the annual session at St. Paul, January 18 and 19, the 1911 book of proceedings of Minnesota reaches the table of the Illinois reviewer. It is a compact, well-printed volume of about 300 pages. The session was held in St. Paul in the new masonic temple recently completed. There is a profusion of pictures showing this new structure with both outside and interior views. It appears to be a very proper and masonic edifice. It is located outside of the business district and is exclusively for the use of masonic and affiliated bodies. Very properly no attempt was made to go into the real estate business by erecting an imposing structure for commercial purposes and incidental masonic use. The offices of the grand lodge are here permanently located and a start made for an extensive masonic library. Evidently the grand lodge has here for itself a permanent home.

Bro. A. T. Stebbins was present to represent Illinois and Prince Edward Island.

Note is made of the death of P.G.M. Charles W. Nash and our own beloved brother, John M. Pearson.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Is forceful and full of interesting matter. He crowds into small space the record of the year. He only reports two decisions. One of these says that the resolution adopted by the grand lodge in 1869 "does not permit the use of robes, scenery, or other accessories in the conferring of the degrees which were not used at the exemplification before the grand lodge at that time."

CAN'T IMPROVE ON THE WORK.

Further on under the head of "work" Grand Master Patton returns to this subject in a manner most correct and convincing. He says

On this subject permit me to say that, in my opinion, the desire to improve upon the rendition of the work is founded on a wrong hypothesis. It seems to be the feeling that the impressiveness and beauty of the degree is increased in proportion to the adornments added thereto. Such, however, is not the case, but, on the contrary, in the very simplicity of the work, as commonly rendered in our lodges, in the past, and at present, lies its eternal vigor, and continuing power. When once we cease to depend on the unadorned work, and turn to side issues to awaken interest, we step from a rock to a quicksand footing. The new

features soon pall upon the taste; and so, others must be added, to maintain the attractiveness; and this must continue ad infinitum until the original purpose and intent of the degree is buried under the accumulated rubbish. Again, too often the work is looked upon as a spectacle to entertain the brethren, rather than, as it is truly intended to be, a sermon to edify the candidate.

To enforce his view he quotes a verse from Kipling's poem, "My Mother Lodge."

"We 'adn't much regalia, Our lodge was old and bare: But we knew the ancient landmarks, And we kept 'em to a 'air."

The foregoing comment was brought out by a lodge that wanted to show the grand master, board of custodians and grand secretary how they could enhance the beauty of the old institution by the use of modern frills. There are people in this world with enough conceit to offer to paint the lily, adorn the butterfly and add a new fragrance to the rose.

A SMOOTH KENTUCKIAN.

Bro. H. R. COLEMAN, with a fine endorsement from the grand secretary of Kentucky as a past grand chaplain, obtained permission to visit and address lodges in Minnesota. The grand master then adds—

In the early part of December I began to receive inquiries from the brethren, requesting information as to a so-called "Oriental Order of Pilgrim Knights," which it was stated was being exploited by Brother Coleman; and that his lectures were merely an advertisement of this order; and that his efforts were almost entirely directed to having the brethren join same. I immediately answered these communications to the effect that the order was no part of masonry, and that I had given Brother Coleman no authority to canvas for members, or to organize any such body. I regret that the matter has taken this turn, and report the exact facts so that the brethren may be advised and govern themselves accordingly.

Large Lodges.

Under the above caption Grand Master Patton gives some valuable information regarding membership in lodges of various sizes. He thinks that lodges can be too big and that the large bodies are not as effective masonic agencies as the smaller. To fortify this view he says that 20 per cent of the masons of Minnesota belong to 3.2 per cent of the lodges. Also the big ones make over 20 per cent of the new masons each year. Though located in cities with easy means of reaching these lodges only a little over 8 per cent, including visitors, is the average attendance of resident members. In one case the attendance is as low as 4.6 per cent.

As to attending funerals the showing is even worse. In lodges with over 350 members the last rites of respect to the dead brought out only

an average of 5.8 per cent of the resident membership. One big lodge was as low as 2.6 per cent. He recommends the formation of new lodges to reduce the big rolls where many are almost lost in the magnitude of numbers. One lodge in Minneapolis has 1,230 members. The attitude of the grand master is full of thoughtful suggestions for other states. Garden City in Chicago had 1,319 and Covenant 899 at the last report.

WORK NOT ALL.

Brother Patton thinks that something aside from accuracy in the ritual is necessary. He says, "that the brethren may be intelligent and efficient masons requires that they shall be informed, not only in the ritual, but in the history, symbolism, principles, laws and customs of the fraternity; and the duty of the lodge is not done when the charge of the third degree is read, and the newly made brother has signed the by-laws. Many of our lodges seem, however, to act on this assumption, for they provide no means, and offer no inducements, for the brethren to advance in knowledge."

THE TIGER'S CLAW.

Putting emphasis on greater need of fraternity the grand master deprecates the tendency toward other orders and so-called higher degrees to gain that spirit of fellowship essential to masonry. He asks—

Is it those who wear the emblem of the square and compasses who, as they meet, brush aside all the conventionalities, and, setting before the world an example of brotherly affection, hail each other with joy, and eagerly grasp each others' hands, while the light of love shines in their eyes, and the smile of joy beams in their faces? Is it not rather, that the frequency and earnestness of these greetings increase as we advance through the emblems of the keystone, the cross and crown, the double eagle, even unto the tiger claws? I am very much afraid my brethren, that, in this day and generation, there is far more strength in the tiger's claw than in the lion's paw.

A brother was presented to the grand lodge because he was wearing an apron worn by his grandfather at the laying of the corner stone of Bunker Hill monument.

BI-CENTENNIAL OF ENGLAND.

A committee was appointed to confer with other grand lodges to arrange for the celebration of the 200th anniversary of the formation of the grand lodge of England, June 17, 1717. This does not come for six years but in many grand lodges the preliminaries are being taken. The grand lodge of England is mother to us all and we should not forget her birthday in 1917.

THE ORATION

By Charles E. Elmquist was highly entertaining and instructive. There is room for but one paragraph.

We want more taffy and less epitaphy; more goodness and less badness; more sweetness and less acerbity; more altruism and less selfishness; more honesty and less insincerity; more statesmanship and less demagogy; more fraternity and less exclusiveness; more real charity and less ostentation; more of the humanity of the "Prince of Peace" and less self-praise of the Pharisee. We want to see the chasm which separates class from class and laborer from employer, bridged by hands of loving friendship and hostility give way to a thorough appreciation of the rights of men. In this way only shall we reach the ultimate aim and goal, the brotherhood of man.

THE MASONIC HOME.

Progress is being made toward a masonic home. A fund of \$100,000 must first be raised according to former action of the grand lodge. About \$18,000 of this is provided. A masonic home association is in charge of securing the funds. A permanent membership costs \$500. The grand lodge adopted a resolution to purchase six memberships but the finance committee cut this down to two and let it go at that. Thus \$1,000 from the grand lodge treasury are taken this year instead of \$3,000.

The grand lodge also has a Widows' and Orphans' Fund amounting to \$65,000. This is invested and the proceeds go for relief. It is not to be used for building a home. This writer last year confused the home fund with this provision for relief. Brother Todd, the foreign correspondent, notes the error and adds "with the practical and comparatively inexpensive plan of dispensing relief adopted in Minnesota years ago, it will probably be some time before a home is established within the jurisdiction."

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Is again from the hand of Bro. IRVING TODD. It is extremely doubtful if another man can be found who can put more into eighty-six pages of ten-point type than has been done by our Minnesota correspondent. As a summarizer he is a genius. The meat of the work of the grand lodges reviewed is to be found here. Two and one half pages are devoted to Illinois. "The annual report of the grand master is fully in keeping with the extent of the jurisdiction." This is Brother Todd's way of saying that Grand Master Ashley presented a big report. Again he tersely says that "a flowery address was delivered by Bro. F. G. Smith, grand orator."

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

He refers to the Illinois review of last year by saying that "The report on correspondence was presented by Bro. Owen Scott, whom the writer has often met in other capacities." He then copies entire the part which reviewed Minnesota for 1910, filling almost a page of his precious space. Brother Todd reiterates his view that it is a waste of time to open and close in all the degrees "at each lodge meeting regardless of the business to come before it." In giving the receipts of Illinois for 1910 he gives the total as \$57,165.76. Why bless your good soul our 101,692 members at 90 cents each produce \$91,522.80. It was all paid, too, as every lodge reported and remitted. There are other sources of income needless here to mention.

UNDER MEXICO.

A letter from W. H. Seamon, foreign correspondence committee Valle de Mexico, is printed in full. This letter gives details of the division in that grand body. Though Minnesota recognizes Mexico, yet Brother Topp adds the following significant paragraph.

Brother Seamon was the committee on foreign correspondence in the Grand Lodge of New Mexico during the five years ending 1904, and is probably more familiar with Mexican masonry than any other prominent member of the fraternity. Yet even he would hardly assume that this elimination of the native element is to immediately command the confidence of the masonic world in the stability or permanence of the grand body with which he is now connected. The good old Methodist plan of probation is most likely to be followed in the premises.

The proceedings close with a record of the meeting of the Masonic Veterans' Association held on Tuesday evening, closing with a banquet on Wednesday evening to which the entire grand lodge was invited. From the report it is evident that the Veterans' Association in Minnesota is more of a reunion of the old-time workers than a society function as it is in some other states.

Grand master, Elmer A. Kling, Little Falls; grand secretary, John Fishel, St. Paul.

MISSISSIPPI—1911.

352 Lodges.

93RD ANNUAL.

18,147 Members.

Clad in a handsome blue overcoat the proceedings of Mississippi for 1911, made their appearance in due time. They were a little deliberate in coming as is the wont of the southern gentlemen. The grand lodge met at Gulfport February 21 and 22, 1911, and the record reached the reviewer July 25. The year was a prosperous one for the craft. The net gain in membership was 1,025. The picture of the new grand master, John S. Brooks, opens the volume. The grand lodge of Illinois was not represented, P.G.M. Frederic Speed being kept at home by illness. Brother Speed is the grand secretary, also. Since grand lodge Brother Speed has gone hence. He attended forty-one consecutive sessions, missing only that of 1911. The grand master notes the departure of P.G.M. John M. Pearson. Five corner stones were laid. He refused to lay two others because "the walls had been completed." Nine decisions were reported, most of which were mere construction of local law.

"OTHERWISE ALL RIGHT."

Here is one of some interest as it is out of the ordinary.

Our lodge has an applicant for the degrees in masonry, who is an ex-convict. He is otherwise all right. Does the fact that he has served a term in the state penitentiary disqualify him? Answer. Most emphatically yes. None should be made a mason except those under the tongue of good report and well recommended. I cannot conceive of such a thing as one being under the tongue of good report and coming well recommended who has served a term in the state penitentiary. A man to be suitable to be initiated into the mysteries of masonry must be a moral man, respecting the laws of the country in which he lives.

Perhaps they wanted to receive him to reform him.

In another the grand master holds that a lodge cannot exempt a member from dues. It may remit, if the brother is unable to pay, but this must be done each year and not in advance. This accords with Illinois law.

ORPHANS' HOME.

Grand Master Conner reports the Home in excellent working condition. He says that "it is a pleasure to speak of this, the pride of Mississippi." During the year there has been added to the Home "The Howard Memorial Hospital, built and furnished by P.G.M. HARRY HOWARD."

In this state of the south there is the plan of caring for dependent masons by joint aid from the lodge and the Home funds of the grand lodge. Only a sum will be given equal to that produced by the lodge. The grand master adds that—

It certainly is a very poor lodge which is so poverty struck, either in money or masonic principles, that it cannot care for its own sick and distressed worthy members, and it is wholly unreasonable for them to shirk this duty and ask the trustees for any portion of the money, which has been donated for the aged and indigent by the brotherhood at large.

The grand chapter R.A.M. has presented a dormitory for boys. The Eastern Star is given credit for doing much to help to care for the children. There are fifty-four children in the Home. The annual per capita cost is \$126.60.

HAVE MASONIC SCHOOLS.

An excellent system of instruction in the ritual and the law is reported. The schools, apparently after the order of those in Illinois, are doing much in cultivating social relations and perfecting the brethren in masonry in all its phases.

Greetings from the grand chapter of the Eastern Star were received by rising vote. The grand secretary was ordered to make suitable response. The masons of Mississippi do not "shy" at the ladies of their households as they do in some northern states.

NON-AFFILIATES HAVE NO RIGHTS.

The committee on "law and jurisprudence" makes an able and elaborate report. Little is involved that would prove of interest to other grand lodges. Non-affiliates are held to have no lodge rights. By payment of a sum equal to the annual dues of the lodge they are permitted certain specified privileges without becoming members.

In case of suspension for non-payment of dues a brother does not need to petition for re-instatement, nor pass the ballot. "All he has to do is to pay what he owed at the time he was suspended." This certainly is a short cut to re-instatement.

WANT A GRAND LODGE HOME.

A committee of five was provided "to devise some plan for the creation of a fund for the erection of a permanent home for the grand lodge." May an outsider intrude enough to ask whether or not it might not be more advisable to provide a shelter for the needy brother, his wife or widow than to get a home for the grand lodge?

A "monument to the confederate dead" at Johnson's Island was dedicated June 8, 1910.

Honor to Brother Smith.

A full page picture of John C. Smith is inserted. It is an excellent likeness. The opposite page contains a brief sketch of Brother Smith's masonic career from which the following is taken.

General Smith, as he was known, was the grand representative of the grand lodge of Mississippi to the grand lodge of Illinois, and visited this grand lodge in 1899, when he was the guest of our late Brother Frederic Speed, they being close and intimate friends. When the wire flashed the sad news that General Smith was dead, Brother Speed, said. "It will not be long before I, too, will join the dear General."

All of the highest honors of masonry had been conferred upon General Smith, he having received more honors and titles than any other living man. Kind, true and noble and gentle as a woman. We all loved him and mourn with Illinois.

THE REVIEW OF GRAND LODGES

Is presented by P.G.M. HARRY T. HOWARD, presumably the same one who gave the hospital to the Masonic Home, noted elsewhere in this review.

His report is a comprehensive summary of the business of the Illinois grand lodge for 1910. A half page quotation is given from the oration delivered by Bro. Frank G. Smith. No comment is made. The review of Illinois covers one and one-half pages.

Brother Howard concludes his report with this poetical benediction: Having reviewed the proceedings of grand bodies, from California to New Zealand, and finding all the bodies working for that far-off divine event towards which all creation moves, and this being the end of another year, I wish you all godspeed.

"May old time who steals our treasure Keep his fingers off your life; May you stay not scarred but tempered, By the day's turmoil and strife.

"May you be the same good fellow. Gentle spirit, man and friend. "Till the shadows fall and lengthen And earth's beaten trail shall end."

Grand master, John S. Brooks, Lula; acting grand secretary, Frederic Gordon Speed, Vicksburg.

MISSOURI-1910.

611 Lodges.

90TH ANNUAL. 51,086 MEMBERS.

Masonry in Missouri is shown to be in a flourishing condition. The book of proceedings gives the history of the 1910 session and amply demonstrates its growth and progress. The net gain in membership is 1998. The meeting was held in St. Louis September 27. Our neighbor across the river, like Illinois, has a fixed abode. It meets regularly in St Louis. It has been demonstrated that a grand lodge "on wheels" is likely to encounter a rocky road at frequent intervals. The great centers furnish ample facilities of transportation, hotels and commodious rooms for sessions.

The picture and biography of the retiring grand master, WILLIAM A. Hall, adorn the opening pages of a volume of a little over 400 pages.

THE ADDRESS OF THE GRAND MASTER

Is an able and interesting report of his work. It contains many arguments and suggestions of interest to the craft, there and elsewhere. A brief extract will show its force.

A body representing in itself and its constituency every shade of social and material condition, from the patrician to the yeoman, from the millionaire to the humble toiler for bread; representing every phase of political opinion and every possible variety of religious thought, from the strictest expression of orthodoxy to the wildest liberalism of the advanced thinker, and yet all united in appreciation of the two greatest, divinest facts possible to the human mind—the Grand Master of the Universe as a Father and a Friend, and every man, everywhere, as a brother. And doubtless nowhere could a representative body in like numbers be gathered possessing more of true, genuine manhood, of high moral character and dignity, than is before me today.

WHAT CAN THIS MEAN?

The grand master says that—

The vork rite of freemasonry, as represented by the Grand Lodge A.F. and A.M. of Missouri, was recognized very courteously and kindly by the authorities of the Scottish rite in a formal, yet earnest invitation to be presented "in full form" to that ancient and honorable body as represented in the Missouri Consistory, on the evening of May 12, 1910. This invitation I accepted, much to my own pleasure and seemingly to the gratification of the consistory.

The puzzle is what "the york rite of freemasonry as represented by the Grand Lodge A.F. and A.M. of Missouri," or any other state, could be doing "in full form" in a consistory where some other "rite" or system is practiced.

THE MASONIC CLUB.

The grand master very properly questioned the right or even advisability of organizing a social club to be known as masonic. He said—

I responded that, while cordially approving the plan and purpose of the organization as I understood it, yet as the term club had been so abused and misused in our city for some years, I thought it probable there might be objections on the part of the grand lodge to the use of the word masonic in connection therewith.

However, the grand lodge gave its approval. A full-fledged city club with all the frills that go with it cannot be made masonic by giving it that name. The effect of this is to make two classes of masons. One of these will be "club masons" and the other just masons. The grand master's attitude appears to have been more correct than the grand lodge.

LIKES ILLINOIS COURTESY.

Grand Master Hall accepted Grand Master Ashley's invitation and tells of it as follows;

Recently I received, through the grand secretary, a most courteous invitation from M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, grand master of Illinois, to be present at a special communication of Lincoln Park Lodge No. 611, of that jurisdiction. Fortunately, I was able to accept, and the occasion was most enjoyable, and the fraternal spirit and elegant courtesy of my reception and entertainment made it one of the most interesting masonic episodes within my experience.

THE EASTERN STARS ARE HELPFUL.

The grand master further says that-

The ladies of the Eastern Star have continued their benefactions through the year and, as in the past, have shown themselves loyal to the fraternity in their endeavor to make the Masonic Home all that its most enthusiastic friends could desire. Not only in or near the city but at different points throughout the state they have evidenced their interest in many ways, proving that they, as well as we, consider this the most worthy object of masonic endeavor. No true freemason can fail to appreciate these splendid women for their generous support. We may also state that these high-souled women have voluntarily proposed that, upon the completion of the proposed infirmary, they will assume the expense of supplying all needed furnishings.

The grand master deprecates the too easy and too frequent remission of the dues of members and classes it as a "growing evil."

THE MISSOURI HOME.

Brother Hall appears to have hit "the bull's eye" in the following, Not to be loyal to the Masonic Home and profoundly interested in all that affects it for good or ill would be to confess one's self unworthy of the proud distinction of a Missouri freemason. The Home, conceived in the heart and brain and builded and fostered by the strong hands of the noblest among us, many of whom have already entered into the reward that awaits the faithful craftsman on high. The Home, in all that it proposes and represents, ought to be enshrined in every masonic heart!

Truly, if anywhere, the masonic heart may be found, it is in previding for the comfort of those who are not able to care for them selves. The present membership is 151; 33 men, 48 women, 40 boys and 30 girls. It will be seen that both children and old people are kept in the same home. If it were not that Missouri is a pioneer in the masonic home work, the wisdom of this plan might be questioned. From very elaborate reports it appears that the Missouri Home is very successful. Owing to a want of proper facilities many helpless dependents are denied the privileges of the Home. A very robust movement was under way to raise \$100,000 to build a new hospital building or infirmary as they choose to call it. An appeal to lodges and individuals resulted in pledging \$57,857.75 for this purpose. It is very evident that the lack will soon be supplied.

PHYSICAL QUALIFICATIONS.

The grand master found this question arising in many forms and in many places. He says that—

One of our correspondents deserves special mention. He writes seriously that he has understood that in Missouri there is a chance for a one-armed man to be made a mason. We might have replied that possibly a one-armed Missourian was probably fully equal to a two-armed man from some other jurisdictions and that his mistake doubtless arose from this consideration.

Happy thought.

Some Points of Law.

The grand master reported eleven decisions. He held-

- I. That a committee on a petition, failing to report at the proper time, a new committee then appointed cannot report until the lapse of one month.
- 2. That the worshipful master, as such, has no authority to appoint a committee as representatives of freemasonry to attend the funeral of a woman.
- 3. That a brother elected to membership in a lodge without a certificate of good standing, remains a member of the former lodge, the election being null and void.
- 4. That a clerk in the railway traffic department of a brewery may petition for the mysteries of freemasonry according to the law, as now recognized.

5. That a subordinate lodge cannot hold a meeting during the session of the grand lodge, since, while any past master may open the lodge in the absence of the master and wardens, yet as every past master is a member of the grand lodge, they are supposed to be in attendance as well as the master and wardens.

The grand lodge modified this to permit of masonic funerals during the session of the grand lodge.

Great on Recognition.

The Missouri grand lodge has been easily "shown" in its relations with bodies claiming to be masouic. No less than fourteen of these which Illinois does not regard as regular are in fraternal correspondence with Missouri. Many of them are in Latin countries where the prerequisites are loosely drawn. Our neighbor's liberality has led her into some complications.

- 1. It became necessary to dissolve relations with Costa Rica.
- 2. Nicaragua is reported as being qualified but owing to the unstable condition of the government recognition was deferred.
- 3. The troubles of Valle de Mexico were reviewed and it was decided to continue fraternal relations with Valle de Mexico No. 1. If the schisms continue the names may be dropped entirely and the so-called grand lodges be designated merely by numbers as they do in those great state institutions where entry is easy and exit difficult.
- 4. Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina was turned down because it does not require belief in God and does not have the Bible on its altar. How could it and hold fraternal relations with the Grand Orient of France?

THE GRAND ORATOR.

R.W. Bro. Austin L. McRae delivered a brief and worthful oration The committee on necrology refers to the death of P.G.M. John M. Pearson in fitting terms.

The celebration of the bi-centenary of the grand lodge of England June 24, 1917, was approved. The proposal of Kentucky for inter-state jurisdiction in discipline of sojourning masons was accepted and endorsed.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Past Grand Master C. C. Woods presents the review of the grand lodges of the world. Without vouching for its accuracy he quotes from the report of the correspondent of South Australia as follows;

I find that there are 109 sovereign grand lodges, 50 in the United States, 9 in Canada, 5 in Central America, 9 in South America, 7 in

Australia, I in Egypt, I in Liberia, and 3 in the United Kingdom, and 8 grand lodges control the German Empire. The remaining 16 are distributed throughout Europe.

No less than 18 grand lodges claim direct descent from the grand lodge of England, and of the whole 109, 70 work in the English language.

European grand lodges have nearly 6,000 lodges, with an approximate membership of 400,000, of which nearly 75 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, while South America has 1,000 lodges, with a membership of 40,000. Australia and New Zealand have some 800 lodges, with a membership of 45,000.

How Illinois Fares.

Brother Woods writes sparingly but compliments Illinois by giving it five of his precious pages. Much of this is taken up with quotations from Brother Bell's report. He also gives in full the prayer of the grand chaplain, J. Webster Balley. Of Brother Bell's attitude in the Petersburg liquor case the reviewer says that "In relation to liquor selling the grand master is doubtless logical from the standpoint of Illinois but we of Missouri must naturally protest." He then quotes the argument of Brother Bell.

BROTHER COOK'S REPORT.

Brother Woods says that-

The report on correspondence from the virile pen of M.W. Bro. Edward Cook, past grand master, is a voluminous yet interesting document, covering over three hundred pages and discussing well and wisely many interesting questions of masonic law and history. He gives several pages to Missouri, finding much to commend and nothing to criticise.

Grand master, Clay C. Bigger, LaClede; grand secretary, John R. Parson, St. Louis, Roe Building.

MONTANA—1910.

63 LODGES.

46TH ANNUAL.

5.957 Members.

From September 22 to May 29 is a good long stretch for a grand lodge to take in getting its proceedings from Montana to Illinois. The printers must be very slow or the grand secretary very busy. Possibly both. However, the proceedings for the 46th annual and four special meetings appear in a tasty book of about 400 pages garbed in a fine shade of symbolic blue. The picture and biographical sketch of the retiring grand master, John L. Carroll, fill the opening pages. The grand secretary made the pleasing aumouncement that all the sixty-three lodges had made their annual returns and paid their grand lodge dues. That is the established habit of the 800 lodges in Illinois. It has been many great suns since a lodge in the Sucker state was delinquent to the grand lodge.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Is a document showing masonry in Montana as prosperous and progressive. Seven new lodges were added and a net gain in membership of 472 reported.

The grand master regretfully declined the invitation of Lincoln Park Lodge No. 611, of Chicago, to witness the conferring of the master mason's degree during the Templar Conclave of 1910. The brother missed an excellent meeting in which many grand masters participated.

TROUBLE OVER RITUALS.

The grand master says that-

This grand lodge has, at each one of its annual communications in recent years, spoken positively against the use of every so-called masonic ritual, and furnished each one of the four principal officers of every lodge in the state with a copy of the Montana ritual, and insisted upon its use, yet I regret to say that in many of the lodges visited by me they are simply held in trust to be transmitted to their successors in office while their work is obtained from something easier to read. I have worked persistently to counteract this apparent lack of interest, and to impress upon the minds of the officers that it is their plain duty to obey the laws, edicts, and regulations of this grand lodge in every respect.

If a cremation party is held and all rituals, ciphers, etc., are consigned to the flames there will be less trouble. From mouth to ear is the correct masonic method of obtaining and preserving the work.

DISPENSATIONS SPARINGLY USED.

The grand master evidently thinks it is no part of the work of a lodge to attend church in regalia. He refused to give dispensations for this purpose. It is conceded by the grand master that he gave a dispensation contrary to law to elect a master to fill a vacancy. His justification is that "it was for the very best interest of the lodge." Rather a dangerous precedent. Application for dispensation to ballot on petitions in less than lawful time were wisely refused. Only three decisions are reported. These raise no new questions and are in harmony with Illinois law.

THE LIQUOR QUESTION.

In Montana the law excludes saloonkeepers, bartenders and all engaged in the liquor traffic. A question arose over a hotel keeper with a bar. The grand master referred it to the grand lodge without recommendation. It was decided on report of the committee on jurisprudence that the law did not apply "if the bar is conducted simply as an adjunct to the hotel and is not the prime purpose of the business conducted." To an outsider this looks a little like a disposition to beat the devil about the stump to avoid embarrassment. Is a man who sells intoxicants at retail any the less a saloonkeeper because he runs a hotel in the same building?

GETS HELP FROM ILLINOIS.

The jurisprudence committee presented the question of life membership without a recommendation. It was discussed at some length. The following is from the record.

Brother Hepuer asked permission to read an extract upon the subject from the address of Grand Master Scott to the grand lodge of Illinois in 1896, in which the matter was reported adversely by him.

The vote was decidedly adverse to life membership.

The grand lodge decided to furnish each of its lodges with a copy of the list of regular lodges prepared by the grand lodge of Illinois.

To WEAR HIS HAT.

Grand Master Carroll recommended that "the worshipful master remain uncovered at funerals, and upon all occasions when the public is admitted; to the end that our customs and usages may not become known to the profane."

The grand lodge thought otherwise and the master may wear his hat as a distinction peculiar to his position. After a service of thirty-nine years as grand treasurer, Bro. H. M. Parchen declined a re-election. He gave as a reason, "I do believe somewhat in rotation in office." It could only be "somewhat" after holding on for almost forty years. He was firm and said he would decline if elected again. They found another man who was willing to serve and let him off.

MAY BE IN WRITING.

The report of investigating committees on petitions may be "oral or in writing, if oral it must be made in person." In Illinois it must be a secret oral report from each of the three. It is not a committee report in the ordinary sense. It is rather the individual report of three persons each acting as a committee for himself. No record is made of the nature of the report.

PAYS THEM ALL.

Montana believes in encouraging a large attendance at grand lodge. Not only the master draws mileage and per diem but each of the wardens, if present, is on the pay roll. In Illinois only the highest in rank receives pay and with this our mileage and per diem account runs to almost \$20,000 each year.

THE MASONIC HOME

Is completed and in successful operation. There was much criticism concerning the high cost of the building and equipment. This was \$73,-526.45. It is conceded that the building is "replete in equipment, ornate in architectural design and thoroughly adapted to the needs intended and of which the fraternity may feel justly proud." If people want frills and ornaments they must expect to pay the price. It is also claimed that the cost of management is excessive. Eleven persons have been kept during the year. The report shows that the per capita expense was \$1,200, or four times what it cost in Nebraska. There it was \$236 per member each year. It was claimed that twelve more could be accommodated and that the larger number would make but a trifling increase in cost. This is no doubt true but that would leave a \$600 per capita. It is rather singular that \$75,000 would be expended and yet the capacity provided would be less than twenty-five persons. It seems that masons in Montana and elsewhere should look more to comfort and less to show.

ROBBINS AND PEARSON.

The committee on fraternal dead thus refers to our P.G.M. Bro. Joseph Robeins—

Past grand master for more than forty-five years, a conspicuous figure in the grand lodge of Illinois, and from 1888 the chairman of the

committee on correspondence of his grand lodge, died July 19, 1909, aged 77 years. Brother Robbins was the dean of the corps of masonic correspondents, and at the time of his death the greatest exponent of the principles and dignity of ancient craft masonry. Robert Freke Gould, the masonic historian, says of him:

"Dr. Robbins 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."

Reference is also made to the death of P.G.M. John M. Pearson.

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Was written by P.G.M. Hepner, and is his second effort. He reviews sixty-six grand lodges and writes a readable report. In his introduction appear the following sage reflections.

When we joined our mystic order, youthfulness and vigor imbued us with a belief that many remedies and innovations might be applied to strengthen and adorn this hoary giant of the ages, but as we grow older our ardor is cooled, and sere judgment takes its place. We are more than ever inclined to make no "inroads into the body of masonry" and to preserve intact the landmarks of the fraternity.

ABOUT ILLINOIS.

Two and one-half pages are devoted to our grand lodge session of 1909. Brother Hepner refers to Brother Robbins and says that "he has been writing the correspondence reports for Illinois for thirty years and for the same length of time he has been chairman of the committee on jurisprudence." This is an error. Brother Robbins was not on that committee during the time he was correspondent. Of the oration is the following;

Grand Orator Euclid B. Rogers delivered the annual oration under the title "The World Growing Better." It was a magnificent effort and we were inclined to give extracts, but do not know where to begin and where to end and so avoid mangling any portion thereof. It is recommended to the careful perusal of all having access to the proceedings.

Grand master, J. W. Speer. Great Falls; grand secretary, Cornelius Hedges, Jr., Helena.

NEBRASKA-1911.

253 LODGES.

54TH ANNUAL.

18,507 Members.

A handsome booklet of 229 pages contains a record of the doings of the grand lodge of Nebraska for the past year. A gain of 621 shows substantial growth. The annual was held at Omaha, June 6, 7, 1911.

The address of the grand master is a readable document. Two past grand masters crossed over during the year. These were Bros. Charles K. Coutant and Melville R. Hopewell.

During the year Grand Master Cheney was compelled to be absent on account of the ill-health of his family. During his absence D.G.M.. Henry Gibbons was "on the throne." From the report of Brother Gibbons it appears that he was necessarily absent from the state. Bro. James R. Cain, S.G.W., was called upon to hold the ribbons in the absence of his two superior officers.

Among those from whom interstate courtesies were received, the grand master mentions Grand Master A. B. Ashley, of Illinois. Special dispensations to ballot and confer degrees without regard to time were issued by the grand master in six cases. He says that these were granted "with caution, requiring proficiency and notification of members."

But one decision was reported. It was of purely local interest and is, therefore, omitted here.

THEY MUST INSURE.

In Nebraska lodges are required by the grand lodge to keep their property adequately insured. This is a wise provision. If lodges are so stupid or careless as to overlook this precaution it is fortunate that they have a governing body that compels them to act. No lodge can afford to go one day without full protection for their paraphernalia and other property.

Something new distinguishes Nebraska. The grand lodge abolished the office of grand treasurer. The statement of the grand master on which action was taken is as follows;

The funds of this grand body should be received by the grand secretary and deposited in a designated bank to be governed by conditions as to interest balances, with a main view to safety, and drawn out only on orders signed by the grand master and grand secretary. Thus the grand lodge would receive interest on its balances, besides doing away with the expense of a grand treasurer's surety bond, and further it would require the signatures of two in place of one, to draw the funds, which would be kept in the name of the grand lodge only.

So far as is known no other grand lodge has dispensed with the services of a grand treasurer, though many require an accounting of interest on daily balances.

THE MASONIC HOME

Is owned and managed by a corporation. There are 535 shares of capital stock of which the grand lodge owns 346. At the recent session \$5,000 of the outstanding stock was purchased. It will not be long, as this indicates, until the grand lodge will be the sole owner of the stock. The ideal way to manage a Masonic Home is by the grand lodge and the payment of all expenses out of the treasury. By this all members share equally and the sum from each is small.

The Home contains 16 women, 21 men and 2 boys, total, 39. The cost of each member for 1910 was \$263.41, an increase over the preceding year of \$15.57. Here, again the treasurer's office was abolished and the funds deposited to the credit of the board of trustees, to be drawn by orders signed by officers of the board.

The report of the grand custodian of the work is about the most poetical thing coming to the notice of this reviewer. Brother French is as easily moved to poetry as a stylish woman with nervous prostration to tears. No less than fifteen poetic gems sparkle and glitter in a brief report on his year's service in supervising the ritualistic work.

Bro. Geo. H. THUMMEL was present to represent Illinois.

WITHDRAWS RECOGNITION.

Brother Phelps, for the committee on foreign correspondence, made a special report regarding Valle de Mexico. It was as follows:

That owing to a division of said grand lodge, occurring at a recent communication of the same, and what we believe to be the instability of organized freemasonry in Mexico, we recommend that recognition of the grand lodge Valle de Mexico be withdrawn, and we further recommend that action upon the application of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, F. & A.M., be deferred until the next annual communication of our grand lodge.

The committee on jurisprudence submits the following;

Past Grand Master Dowling, on page 259, proceedings of 1910, recommended:

"First, I recommend that our law be changed so as to permit brethren who for religious or conscientious reasons wis hto dimit, to do so.

This recommendation was referred to the committee on jurisprudence and held for further consideration by its action one year ago. Your committee now recommends that the recommendation be not concurred in."

From this it appears that a man can get into a lodge "of his own free will and accord" but can't get out until the lodge unbars the door by suspension or expulsion or a dimit to join some other lodge. In Illinois a man, whose dues are paid and no charges pending, can at his own pleasure withdraw from the membership of his lodge. Though this law has been in force many years, yet there are about 110,000 affiliated masons in the old Sucker state.

A most helpful and pleasing production was the oration by Bro. Elmer W. Brown, the grand orator. Limits of space and the late date at which the proceedings of Nebraska reached the reviewer's table, prevent desirable quotations.

The death of our two distinguished past grand masters, John M. Pearson and John C. Smith, is given place among the dead of other jurisdictions.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW.

Bro. Charles J. Phelps writes the review for the committee on foreign correspondence. It is a well-written summary of proceedings of grand lodges, with little comment or criticism.

Illinois is accorded two pages. In referring to our schools of instruction the reviewer says that eight were held. He should have said five. In regard to Grand Master Ashley's attitude toward non-affiliates the following statement of law is given.

In Nebraska a member who remains unaffiliated for one year has no masonic right whatever, save to petition for affiliation, which revives his rights, but for only six months if his petition is rejected. He can still maintain his standing by renewing his application every six months.

Grand master, Henry Gibbons, Kearney; grand secretary, Francis E. White, Omaha.

NEVADA—1911.

25 LODGES.

47TH ANNUAL.

1.771 MEMBERS.

The proceedings of this small, far-west grand lodge again appear in a tidy dress of plain white, with blue trimmings of "Nevada—1911" as its only adornment.

A gain of ninety members shows some advance. A state with so low a standard of morals as to be the Mecca of divorcees and prize

fighters, certainly needs a wider spread of the teachings of the great fraternity which is borne upon the wings of purity and peace.

The annual session was held at Reno, June 13 and 14, 1911. Charles E. Mack, representative of Illinois, was present.

The grand master notes a busy year, "filled with duties and, as is the lot of man, some have been touched with pleasure's wand and others swept with the fingers of sorrow and grief."

The death of Grand Secretary Noteware was set forth as a great loss to masonry in that state. He had been sixty-one years a mason and had borne many of the burdens of the craft. The death of P.G. Masters John M. Pearson and John C. Smith, of Illinois, is noted.

The appointment of William J. Hostetter as the representative of Nevada near the grand lodge of Illinois is reported.

NOT MANY DECISIONS.

The grand master does not give his decisions in his annual address. They are handed to the committee on jurisprudence in advance and are reported upon during the session.

These decisions were seven in number and were merely interpretations of local law. In one case the grand master decides "that there is no law in this jurisdiction that allows an officer to resign after he is installed." May this not sometimes work hardships where officers are either absent or disqualified from service? A provision allowing resignation except in the case of master and wardens would be a handy thing to have in the house,

One other decision, while not new, is sound and wise. He says that— The grand master has no authority to empower any past master in the temporary absence of the worshipful master and wardens, to open a lodge for the purpose of conferring the degrees.

And he might properly have added, or for any other purpose.

The grand lodge adopted a rule that no one should represent more than one foreign jurisdiction. Those who hold two or more shall resign all but the one they may choose to continue. This is in line with the policy of Grand Master Ashley. He did not want to have one man loaded down with too many honors or carry too many burdens.

One of the most startling features in the Nevada proceedings is the signature of the grand secretary and "grand commissioner of review." His name is E. D. Vanderlieth. This is positive because it is printed in plain type right under the *fac simile* of the written signature. Brother Vanderlieth writes his name so that it can be easily read, except the

initial "E." This is a cross between Bunker Hill monument and the leaning tower of Pisa.

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Is from the hand of Bro. E. D. VANDERLIETH, who is styled, "Grand Commissioner of Review." The simple word "reviewer" would be shorter and handier and mean much the same. The report says that "a deal of time and a sweet bit of patience have been consumed in its preparation and a wider and more serious reading is urged for it." It is a good report and well worth reading.

The review of Illinois for 1910 fills three pages and adequately summarizes the work of our grand lodge. Brother Vanderlieth "can find nothing masonic in the pink binding" of our proceedings. He recommends that it be changed to "white or blue." He says that—

Grand Master Ashley submits a report of the year's doings which shows that he was loyal and earnest in advancing the interests of the great brotherhood.

The oration of Bro. Frank G. Smith is highly commended and a half-page quotation is made.

The Nevada reviewer is in accord with the view that there is nothing in masonry higher than the lodge. In his conclusion appears the following;

Grand masters and committees are still struggling with the subject of intemperance. The yielding to strong drink is a vice repugnant to all good masons. It is a blot on any man's good name, but it is wholly incompatible with the character of a mason. Let the craft deal kindly, but firmly with the erring brother. Keep his fault, so far as we can, within the hallowed precincts of the lodge room, and, brethren, whisper good counsel and warn him of the sorrow ahead. The might of love worketh wonders. When admonition and counsel fail, then it becomes masonry to be firm.

Grand master, Herman Davis, Reno; grand secretary, E. D. Vanderlieth, Carson City.

NEW BRUNSWICK-1910.

38 Lodges.

43RD ANNUAL.

2,915 MEMBERS.

The annual session was held at St. John, August 23 and 24, 1910. Proceedings reached the Illinois correspondent June 7, 1911. Last year they did not arrive until August 2. The book has eighty-six pages and its preparation is not a gigantic task. It must be pretty stale reading almost a year after the close of the session. In Illinois our grand secretary gets under the wire with his book of 612 pages in from thirty to forty days.

There was a gain of one lodge and 133 members during the year reported.

 \boldsymbol{A} handsome portrait of Grand Maser Bridges graces the opening pages.

Two special sessions were held, both to show respect to the dead. One was to give masonic burial to P.G.M. Edwin J. Everett. The other was a memorial to King Edward. The address was made by the grand chaplain, Rev. Gordon Dickie.

At the annual meeting there was a full list of officers and representatives. There were twenty-four representatives of other grand lodges present but Illinois was without representation.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Was a well-written business document. He expressed pleasure that all would have "the privilege of taking sweet counsel together and kindling into new life that spirit of brotherly love and greeting which must throb in the breast of every one present."

The death of Bros. Joseph Robbins and John M. Pearson is noted. The reported itinerary of visits to lodges by the grand master shows him to have been a busy man.

A severe fire at Campelltown called forth relief in the way of money. The grand lodge of Ontario is also credited with rendering needed and substantial assistance.

DISPENSATIONS FREELY ISSUED.

The grand secretary reports thirty-one dispensations issued at the order of the grand master. Of these six were to wear regalia at memorial services to King Edward. Six others were to attend divine service in regalia. The purposes of the other nineteen are not given.

No report on correspondence appears. The proceedings are brief in the extreme and, therefore, this review cannot be more extensive.

Grand master, Henry S. Bridges, St. John; grand secretary, J. Twining Hartt, St. John.

NEW HAMPSHIRE-1910.

80 Lodges.

121ST ANNUAL.

10,260 Members.

An attractive volume is at hand giving the work of four specials, one semi-annual and the 121st annual communications of the grand lodge of New Hampshire. Three specials were to dedicate masonic halls. One was to conduct the funeral services over grand secretary and P.G.M. FRANK D. WOODBURY. The Granite State retains the ancient custom of holding a semi-annual meeting to teach the work. This meeting was held at Manchester on December 28. The three degrees were conferred under the supervision of the grand lecturer who said "that the ritualistic errors could be counted on one hand and that, all things considered, it was the most perfect ritualistic work he had ever witnessed." The grand master suggested that the semi-annual would probably give way to the district system of instruction like surrounding grand lodges. Lee S. TILLOTSON, grand master, and HENRY H. Ross, of Vermont, were received as honored visitors. The annual meeting was held at Concord in May, 1910. The representative of Illinois did not respond at either the semi-annual or annual communication.

DANA J. FLANDERS, grand master of Massachusetts, together with his suite (whatever that may mean) was received with the appropriate honors. Pleasant words of greeting and response are recorded.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

This was a full and forceful presentation of the year's work. A single quotation will give some idea of the entire address—

Masonry is so closely interwoven with true religion in its foundations, its principles, and its teachings as to lead us to believe that the Great Creator is using it as a powerful instrument for the moral uplift of the world. How could it be otherwise, brethren, when masonry is founded on the Holy Word of God and when some of its most exalted inspirations are drawn from the same sacred source? Throughout the whole civilized world the influence of Masonry is being exerted today

more than ever before. In its silent, mysterious workings it is constantly pleading for a more common brotherhood and for a purer and higher plane of living. The barriers which have for centuries divided men in their religious beliefs are gradually disappearing and today we are beholding men rallying under one standard of righteousness, fighting for purity in all departments of life and for the enlightenment of the masses who are still living in the darkness of ignorance.

THE DEATH ROLL

Was a long one. The most distinguished was Frank Dana Woodbury, grand master in 1890 and 1891 and grand secretary 1900 till his death in 1900. A special session of the grand lodge was convened to deposit his remains in the tomb. Five D.D. grand masters responded to the grim messenger's inexorable demand. One past grand secretary was also on the death list. James Bellows McGregor, "the oldest mason in the world," came to the end of his long life. He was 100 years old and had been a mason eighty-three years. From the large number of deaths the Grim Harvester must have become weary in gathering in the ripened sheaves.

The grand master attended the Baltimore conference and quotes Brother Bell's resolution against a national grand lodge. He recounts that, in connection with the grand high priest and the grand commander, he appointed P.G.M. Cheney acting grand secretary. Probably Brother Cheney was named to serve the grand chapter and grand commandery as the recording officer of these bodies. Otherwise there could be little reason for conference with outside bodies. Brother Cheney writes the report on foreign correspondence and if he has any other duties must be a reasonably busy man.

THE MASONIC HOME

Is in a prosperous and satisfactory condition. The grand master says that "by virtue of his office, being the president of the Masonic Home corporation, I have endeavored at all times to keep in close touch with the management of that institution. I have visited and inspected the Home several times, and each time I go there a feeling of great pride comes over me when I see and realize how much such an institution means to the masons of New Hampshire. I believe it to be one of the most beautifully located and best managed institutions of its kind in all the United States."

During the session an amendment to the law was adopted requiring every lodge to pay three dollars for every candidate initiated and seventy-five cents per capita of membership, two-thirds of which was to go to support the Home.

No Decisions

Were reported. He says that most questions were answered by calling attention to and explaining certain sections of the grand constitution. He gives this as a sufficient evidence of peace and harmony among lodges as well as better knowledge of the law by officers.

THEIR FIRST GRAND MASTER.

Attention is called to the remarkable record of their first grand master, Major General John Sullivan. The following summary is given of his deeds and accomplishments.

Born in 1740; elected delegate from New Hampshire to the Continental Congress, 1774; re-elected, 1775; commissioned one of the eight brigadier-generals in Washington's army, 1775; promoted to be majorgeneral in 1776; was with Washington at the battles of Brandywine and Germantown; in 1779, had command of the Continental army in New York; organized several military masonic lodges in his army; elected delegate to the Congress from New Hampshire, 1780; in 1783, appointed attorney-general for New Hampshire: in 1786, elected governor; in 1790, grand master of the grand lodge of New Hampshire; federal judge of his district at the time of his death, which occurred January 23, 1793. Dartmouth College honored him with the degree of doctor of laws. It would seem fitting and proper for the state of New Hampshire or the United States government to honor this great man by placing a fitting monument or statue, in our capital city.

The grand lodge adopted a report of the committee on jurisprudence declining to agree to Kentucky's proposal of reciprocal disciplinary jurisdiction.

MUST SIGN THE BY-LAWS.

It was decided that a brother who had been elected to membership but had not signed the by-laws of the lodge was not a member. Though he had paid dues and exercised the rights and privileges of membership for years it did not change his status. If he refused to sign, he was cut off as though he had never been elected. If the lodge refused to allow him to sign, it must refund to him his fee for membership and all dues paid. This is a pretty literal construction but probably is the law as technically administered.

REVIEW OF GRAND LODGES.

Bro. Harry M. Cheney, now grand secretary, wrote the report on correspondence, it being his fourth production. The work is ably done and indicates a master hand. In his introduction he says—

Stupendous strides—the masonic kind—are being taken everywhere. Never has our fraternity had such growth and prosperity. They all say so—all along the line. And this means that never has our fraternity faced such responsibilities. But it is facing them with a tenacious pur-

pose, doing a work for our humanity that otherwise would not be done at all. And it is the best manhood of every community that is not only leading but doing it. So we grow into the greater undertakings, the greater successes. Surely, there can be no end until that day when the Creator has accomplished all his Divine purposes.

ABOUT Us.

Illinois is well treated in this review. Referring to Brother Bell's report Brother Cheney says—

His necrology includes several names of brethren who had labored long and faithfully for the craft, but the name that leads all the rest is that of Joseph Robbins, past grand master, and for more than thirty years the chairman of the committee on correspondence. Had the writers of these reports in all the grand jurisdictions been assembled, we should have ungrudgingly crowned him the greatest of all in this field of masonic work. Since the death of Drummond, of Maine, he was easily our leader. Agreement with him was very frequently impossible—but he stood out alone as one possessing qualities of mind and masonic strength not found elsewhere. He was verily a masonic giant, looked to for leadership as few men can ever be. His loss is a tremendous affliction, yet we rejoice that he was ours so long. For generations to come his counsel will determine many things in our fraternal work.

In concluding he says of Brother Bell's report, "We count this address among the very best of the year." Alluding to the oration of Bro E. B. Rogers the reviewer says that "it made us tingle all over as we read its every word. What must it have been to have heard it?" He speaks highly of Brother Cook's report on correspondence.

Grand master, Edwin F. Jones, Manchester; grand secretary, Harry M. Cheney, Concord.

NEW HAMPSHIRE-1911.

80 Lodges.

122ND ANNUAL.

10,358 Members.

For the second time this year attention is given to the "granite state." The proceedings for 1910 did not arrive in time for the review last year. For 1911 four communications were held, two specials to lay corner stones, the semi-annual for work in the three degrees and the annual for the business of the year. The latter was at Concord, May 17, 1911. At the semi-annual Bro. Sewall W. Abbott, the representative of Illinois, was present. At the annual he is recorded as absent. The grand master reports a year of peace and progress. No new lodges were or-

ganized but there was a gain of ninety-eight in membership. Everything was so peaceable and the law so well understood that Grand Master Jones did not find it necessary to render any decisions.

THE REAPER WAS BUSY.

The death of five members of the grand lodge is reported. Eachwas given a full memorial page and a page picture in addition. Past Grand Master John McLane passed into the beyond during the year

The business as reported by the grand master was mostly of routine character and does not require large mention here.

Grand Master Jones calls attention to the practice of masters allowing the work to be done by wardens, past masters or others. When the master can do all the work he gives his approval. In cases where they cannot themselves do the work he condemns the practice most severely. Each master should be a master of the work in all the degrees.

THE MASONIC HOME

Is successfully managed. The grand master says, "I look upon the Home as being the one great practical exemplification in New Hampshire of the principles of our order." So it is everywhere. Theoretical charity sounds well but practical charity is what really counts. There is need of enlargement and hospital facilities.

The Home is located at Manchester and all property is valued at \$28,000. All this is exempt from taxation. The law provides that no officer of the Home "shall receive any salary or compensation for any service or duty he may perform." The medical staff receives no pay. Each serves three months during the year.

When the election of grand officers came the grand master, EDWIN F. JONES, announced that "he could not accept a re-election, even if tendered him."

The grand treasurer was authorized to borrow \$1,800.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Is the fifth written by Bro. HARRY M. CHENEY, who is also the grand secretary. The report is full of interest and well to the point. He finds nothing strange, startling or unusual in the masonry of the world during the year.

Illinois for 1910 is considered and given excellent treatment. He summarized Grand Master Ashley's report and says that the affairs of our grand lodge were "intelligently presented." Of the result of the vote on the liquor amendment Brother Cheney says—

The grand lodge refused to enact class legislation by rejecting a proposed amendment making ineligible persons engaged in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors. In this respect Illinois takes the same position as does New Hampshire—a position that to the New Hampshire writer is eternally right.

Brother Smith's oration is classed as "splendid" and regret expressed that space would not permit quotation. Referring to the increase of salary of our grand master the reviewer says—

Grand masters who pay most of their expenses out of their own pocketbook will appreciate just what this action means. For one, we do not approve the policy of paying any grand master a salary, but we do believe that every cent of his legitimate expenses in performing the duties of his high office should be paid from grand lodge funds—call it salary or anything else.

The reason is not easily seen why a grand master should not be compensated for his services. The present head of the fraternity in Illinois has given all of his time for two years to the work of masonry.

A DIFFICULT TASK.

The reviewer says-

The report on correspondence is by Past Grand Master Owen Scott. His task was truly a difficult one, as the successor of Bro. Joseph Robbins, who had for many years occupied the highest place among masonic jurists and writers. He does the work in splendid fashion, satisfying us that the mantle of the lamented Robbins has been rightly placed.

Comparing age and size of state, population and other conditions, New Hampshire is believed to be making as much progress as Illinois, the second in membership in the United States and the third in the world.

The proceedings close with an account of the meeting of the "New Hampshire Society of Veteran Freemasons." This is held at the time of grand lodge and brings together the men who have borne the heat and burden of the day.

Grand master, Charles II. Wiggin, Concord; grand secretary, Ilarry M. Cheney, Concord,

NEW JERSEY-1911.

192 Lodges.

124TH ANNUAL.

33,004 MEMBERS.

At Trenton April 19 and 20, 1911, occurred the annual round-up of Jersey masonry. Ten emergent communications were held during the year to lay corner stones, dedicate halls, etc. The proceedings, a book of 463 pages, tell a most interesting story. The portrait of Allton H. Sherman, retiring grand master, graces the opening of the volume. Illinois was unrepresented as shown by the record.

The death of two past grand masters is recorded. These were Charles H. Mann and Henry R. Cannon, the latter serving during 1868 and 1869.

The grand master did not find it necessary to report any, decisions. The law as it stands was sufficiently explicit and needed no construction. Often the chief reason for grand masters to report decisions is that their names may go on record as law makers.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

The present law of New Jersey is that "A lodge cannot grant certificates of life membership." The grand master recommended that this be changed so that masons in their affluence might purchase a life membership. He says, "I would make the sum such as, put out at interest in a savings bank, would pay yearly dues." On his death the lodge to use the principal sum or return it to his estate as seemed best. This is the only plan of life membership coming to the knowledge of this writer that is equitable and just to all members of the lodge. The grand lodge endorsed the plan suggested by the grand master, providing that the member might indicate the disposition of the principal sum at his death.

THE MASONIC HOME

Has had an unusual amount of mortality during the year, the number reaching twenty. The wife of the superintendent was called away. She was an excellent woman and had done much toward the success of the Home, having been with it from its inception. The Orphanage has had much trouble in securing proper people for its care and management. Present membership in Home is seventy-six.

The "grand lodge charity fund" is in a robust condition. A balance of \$4,395.10 came over from the year before. This was augmented by a five-cent per capita tax and interest on the account, making a total of

\$6,172.68. The disbursement for the year was only \$100, leaving \$6,072.68 for the future. There is evidently little call for charity in Jersey.

The payment to the "grand master of Illinois an initiation fee of \$20,00" is reported.

A Busy Night.

Tuesday evening was devoted to the exemplification of the "esoteric work of the three degrees and the opening and closing ceremonies of the lodge." Those in charge had a busy signal hung out, if they did all that in one evening. The work was in charge of the grand instructor, assisted by the district deputies.

Under "In Memoriam" the death of Past Grand Masters John M. Pearson and John C. Smith is recorded.

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Is presented again by Robert A. Shireffs. He reviews all except the German grand bodies. The proceedings of these being in the German language, Bro. Adolph Klee makes the review. Illinois is for 1910. Referring to Grand Master Ashley's report the reviewer says—

One of these last was "the event of the year," namely, that of the new Orphans' Home at La Grange on the 30th of April. The proceedings contain very full reports of the condition of the Home and the temporary Orphanage, and a pretty picture of the orphans seated on the steps of their temporary domicile is printed. It suggests most forcibly that the duty assumed by so many grand lodges of caring for the aged and indigent members of the craft, a real and urgent benevolence, is, nevertheless, of far less account than is the upbringing of these little children to intelligent and useful manhood and womanhood.

MEXICO IN FULL.

The entire special report of Illinois regarding the schism in the grand lodge Valle de Mexico is quoted. The comment is—

We clip bodily another special report by M.W. Brother Scott because it contains information "important, if true," and it must be admitted that what we can gather from other and nominally direct sources seems to import the verity of Brother Scott's deductions.

New Jersey has recognized the irregular Mexican body. In view of this the comment is significant.

Grand master, Leslie A. Burritt, Trenton; grand secretary, Benjamin F. Wakefield, Trenton,

NEW MEXICO-1910.

30 Lodges.

33RD ANNUAL.

2,572 MEMBERS.

Though a small grand lodge, New Mexico presents a most attractive and respectable appearance in its volume of proceedings of the session of 1910, held at Roswell October 17, 1910. The publication of the details of nine specials adds to the volume but lends little outside interest to the work of the year. The growth in membership is a healthy one, showing a net gain of 191.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Reviews the work of the year in a very business-like way. The sparse settlement of the present territory that is about to merge into a state of the national union is shown by the grand master in these words, "Considering the magnificent distances of New Mexico, the large attendance here speaks well for your zeal for our cause and love for our order."

FEW REFUSALS.

Only two requests were refused for special dispensations. One was "to transact any and all business at other than regular communications." It would be most dangerous to destroy all regularity by transacting business at meetings of which members had no notice by by-law or otherwise. The other was to allow a lodge to install its officers in advance of the time fixed by the grand lodge.

THEIR LAW.

There were thirteen decisions reported. In the first a rather strange doctrine was announced. It was held that no recommendations were required on a petition for affiliation. The "dimit accompanying the petition is in itself a recommendation and no other avouchment should be required." Suppose the dimit had been held for years, might not the brother have become unworthy of consideration for membership? Merely being in possession of a certificate of dismissal from a lodge does not furnish evidence of the right to visit or affiliate. However, the committee did not agree with the grand master and the doubtful point was eliminated.

Only one other point requires notice. The grand master decided that the secretary must see that the fee accompanies the petition before he reports it for consideration. Otherwise he becomes responsible for the fee.

THOUGH SMALL YET MOVING.

The grand master recommends the Kit Carson Home as an ideal place for their proposed Masonic Home. During the session steps were taken to procure this place, with additional land.

All lodges, except one, were reported as having paid dues and made annual returns. In Illinois with about 800 lodges it has been years since there has been a single delinquent lodge. Our grand secretary keeps after them until they report.

IN COURT OVER THE MONITOR.

The grand secretary says that—

Several years ago, we adopted Parsons Monitor, which was copyrighted. Since then the ownership has passed through many hands and is now being contested in the courts. I am receiving many requests for a monitor prescribed by the grand lodge, but for reasons stated above I am unable to furnish copies. I would suggest that some other standard monitor be adopted or one of our own be compiled.

Later it was decided to adopt the Missouri monitor with a few slight modifications. These are to be kept for sale by the grand secretary.

IN TROUBLE OVER MEXICAN MASONRY.

New Mexico has been careful in its recognition of other grand lodges. It, however, has Valle de Mexico on its roll. The eruption there last year put it in an embarrassing position. The present attitude is to let matters rest until the two grand lodges bearing the name, Valle de Mexico, thresh out their troubles and then act. The Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite has one of the bodies under its wing and all in all there is a very large quantity of "mixed Mexican masonry" to be found. The committee on correspondence could not endorse the grand lodge of France because it only permits the recognition of God and the Bible on the altar. It does not require them.

OVER A SALOON.

It was held by the grand master that a lodge by permission might in special cases and for valid reasons rent a room for lodge purposes over a saloon. The final law on this question was announced to be as follows—

Neither can a lodge rent, consecrate, dedicate and occupy, unless temporarily by permission of the grand master, a room in any building in which liquor is retailed and served to the general public.

NOTHING TO REVIEW.

No report of the committee on correspondence pertaining to Illinois. The reason is that our 1000 proceedings were reviewed last year and

the session of 1910 was held the same week as the New Mexican grand lodge. Hence there was nothing on which to base a report.

Too Much Modernism.

Bro. James H. Wroth presented a very excellent report of other grand lodges. In his summary Brother Wroth deprecates the tendency to modernism in masonry. He says—

As I look backward upon the past year it strikes me we are becoming entirely too progressive and insurgent and have overlooked the conservatism of our craft. Unless somebody, who commands more respect than I do, begins to call a halt upon this tendency there is no telling to what extent it will be carried. We pride ourselves upon adherence to the faith of our fathers, and yet we are as bad as a theological convention as to our definition of what that faith means.

The actions of some jurisdictions remind us of the old saying of those ancient worthies who came to this country for religious freedom. We have for the moment forgotten the author but the statement is as follows: "We came here to worship the Lord according to our belief and to make everybody else do the same," and judging from some jurisdictions they are very closely and scrupulously following the above advice.

There is much food for thought in these breezy words but it is not possible for even masonry to remain forever tied to a post.

Grand master, EDWARD L. MEDLER, Albuquerque; grand secretary. Alpheus A. Keen, Albuquerque.

NEW SOUTH WALES-1910.

228 LODGES.

22ND ANNUAL.

14.819 MEMBERS.

Masonry in this far-away land flourishes. A gain in membership of 1,051 is reported. During the year eight meetings of the grand lodge were held. Four of these were the fixed quarterly communications and four were called for special purposes. All meetings are held at the masonic hall in Sydney.

The election of grand officers takes place in June and they are installed in August.

BIG GUNS PRESENT.

At the August meeting a somewhat distinguished company was in evidence. The installing officer was Bro. G. E. EMERY, P.G.M. of Victoria. R.W. Bro. BYRNE, D.G.M. of the grand lodge of Queensland, and

other prominent masons were also present. The ceremonies of installation are reported in full in the proceedings. M.W. Bro. H. Montgomerie Hamilton was installed as grand master.

M.W. Bro. Emery made a very beautiful address, as the following paragraph will show.

MASONRY AS A GARDEN.

Masonry seems to me always like a garden, in which the fruits and flowers are the graces of character which are developed in the hearts of the brethren by those who superintend and nourish it. When we go into the garden and see the flowers and fruits, we admire their beauty and their sweetness, and when we go into a masonic lodge and see there the fruits of perfection displayed in the lives of the brethren and in the conduct of the lodges, we know that the spirit of freemasonry, and the teachings of those who are in office are having the desired effect. When we go into a garden and observe the flowers, we sometimes forget that the work is being done by the forces which are hidden from sight, but which are constantly drawing nourishment from the soil, and so there is a great deal of work being done by grand lodge officers and the worshipful masters and officers of lodges which is not perhaps displayed, yet it is by faithfulness of that work that we are able to see the success and prosperity and progress of the lodges.

The ceremonies of installation were the only feature of the August assemblage.

A GRAND LODGE BUILDING

Was urged by Grand Master Hamilton at the quarterly held in August. This question came up at a later meeting and an elaborate debate ensued. The grave question was how to finance it. It was found that to construct such a temple as would meet the wishes of the craft the tax on individual masons must be considerable. With a membership of about 15,000 it was thought that each should pay $\pounds 2$ or \$10. This was to be scattered over a period of five years, making an annual tax of \$2. In many jurisdictions, not always the small ones either, it is easier to wish and plan for a great, showy building than it is to pay for it. The elaborate temple raises a question for serious thought.

The committee on foreign correspondence was elected and not appointed. This is something of novelty.

The death of distinguished masons of the world is noted. Among these Joseph Robbins stands prominently. At the March quarterly, 1010, the grand master was absent and business was in charge of D.G.M. SLY.

A TROUBLE MAKER.

The special communication held in April was devoted largely to lodge St. George and its worshipful master, Brother Baldwin. The trouble grew out of an attempt to let a former member affiliate with the

lodge. Out of an attendance of 35 there were between 20 and 31 blackballs. After that all candidates were rejected. Brother Baldwin was elected master and at once became an insurgent and kicked holes in the rules and regulations until they looked like a sand seive. At length the grand master suspended the charter and the master. The kinks were finally straightened out but it took the grand master and the grand lodge a whole session to do it. It is easy to start trouble but sometimes it wont stop.

A special communication was held to do honor to the memory of King Edward.

ELECTED THE GOVERNOR.

At the June meeting Lord Chelmsford, provincial governor, was elected grand master. In the British grand lodges the "ordinary feller" has very little show against the titled ruler. Usually the civil official appoints a deputy who does the actual work while he wears the honors.

APPROVES THE REVIEWS.

The committee on correspondence likes the reviews and criticisms, as the following from the report shows;

The thanks of all true masons are due to those brethren who, in other jurisdictions, do such good work as reviewers of foreign correspondence. Their appreciative notices and kindly criticisms of our proceedings form for us a mirror in which we may see ourselves as others see us, and serve to remind us that there is a masonic court of public opinion which, by its judgment on the actions of masonic bodies throughout the world tends to preserve intact the best traditions of the craft.

The committee on correspondence does not review Illinois. Just why is not apparent. There was ample time for the proceedings to reach them for our 1999 session would have been under review.

Grand master, Lord Chelmsford; grand secretary, Arthur H. Bray, Sydney.

NEW YORK-1911.

803 Lodges.

130TH ANNUAL.

168,714 Members.

The Empire state is not only the largest in masonic adherents of any on the western continent but is growing at such a rate as to give little hope that Illinois, her nearest rival, will soon catch up. Last year the net increase in membership was 6.464 and eight new lodges were organized.

The proceedings, giving the masonic work in New York for the last year, is an imposing volume of nearly 700 pages.

Bro. Delbert Greene, representative of Illinois, was present. Representatives of seven grand lodges were excused by a vote of the grand lodge. The rules relating to representatives of other grand lodges are very stringent. If they do not attend, or show good reason for absence, their offices are vacated and others are put in their places. In New York grand masters complain at the persistence with which members of the craft seek to be appointed representatives of other grand lodges. The title of "Right Worshipful" attaches and New York masons hanker after this handle to their names. This appears queer here in Illinois where these foreign representatives scarcely know when they are chosen and immediately sink into unfathomable obscurity ever afterward.

During the session a law was made that they should be appointed for the definite term of three years. The reason given was that all might have a chance at these fat offices.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Was in excellent form and met a hearty approval. A brief quotation will give an idea of the force of the document.

Is our masonry progressive, or are we making it a factor only inside of the lodge room? Are we content to remain intrenched in mysticism, to confer degrees, to make masons and then forget them, excepting, perhaps, as their names are added to our roll—leaving them muzzled as to its secrets, but bewildered and lamentably untaught of those deep, underlying truths inculcated in the days when quality and not quantity was the watchword of the craft? If our drift is away from and not toward its highest ideals and traditions, slowly but surely the vitality which sustains it will slip away, and I say, without hesitation, our fraternity will cease to appeal to intelligent men. It will become nothing but a mummery, a jargon of signs and baubles, titles and platitudes—for we will be following the shadow and not the substance.

Truly that kind of preaching is needed in states other than New York.

Mention is made of the death of Past Grand Masters John M. Pearson and John C. Smith, of Illinois.

AN EFFECTIVE AGENCY.

The Masonic Relief Association of the U. S. and Canada is doing a most excellent work. The sum of \$600 goes to maintain membership. The New York branch has done much to relieve transient masons in distress as well as to ferret out 4,314 frauds seeking to prey upon the credulity of the craft in various parts of the country. It is as much the duty of this body, and masons generally, to detect and expose the masonic grafter as to feed and clothe the worthy brother in distress.

THERE ARE CLANDESTINES.

The grand master says-

There has been brought to my attention the contents of a letter written to the grand secretary of Massachusetts by a brother of that jurisdiction, in which the brother stated that at a recent visitation to a lodge in one of our cities, he observed the name of a visitor hailing from Antiquity Lodge No. 18, of Lowell, and, knowing that the regular lodge in Massachusetts are not numbered, he made inquiry concerning Artiquity No. 18, and found it to be an irregular organization, established by that prince of masonic frauds, who was expelled some years since.

Attention was then called to the list of regular lodges prepared and published by authority of the grand lodge of Illinois as giving "all the regular lodges in the United States and Canada." He advised that this be kept on the desk of every secretary and used to determine the legitimacy of lodges from which visitors come for admission.

BLANK BALLOTS ARE NOTHING.

To avoid useless time and trouble in elections the grand lodge decided that blank pieces of paper were not ballots and should be excluded in the count. This conforms to Illinois law. Any other view is absurd. It is not a mere blank piece of paper that makes a vote but the brother's choice, expressed thereon.

THE MASONIC HOME.

Some idea of the appreciation in which the craft hold the Home at Utica can be formed by the amount of space used in the proceedings to set it forth. The grand master uses three pages in eulogizing its work. The trustees and the superintendent in charge require 111 pages to set forth fully the work of the year. Much of this is the detail of facts and figures of vital interest to the New York brethren. A few points gleaned from these reports may be of interest in Illinois.

The farm is about the same number of acres as at Sullivan and is under the management of the board of trustees. From the report it is evident that the returns do not constitute a bonanza. A recent change in farmers is given as a reason to hope for better results. With ten head of horses, some sixty odd cows and other live stock, together with farm equipment galore, the managers have worry and trouble in abundance.

THE UNWORTHY APPLY.

The trustees sound a warning and call a halt. More than 100 applications for admission have been made during the year. This is more than one-fifth of the present membership. Many were refused because they were not worthy. It was suggested that there was a disposition to impose on the craft.

The number now in the Home is 425—197 men, 113 women, 50 boys and 65 girls. The capacity is almost reached. There are required sixty employes to run this great plant.

The current expenses for maintenance were \$86,562.30, showing a per capita cost of \$208.58 for twelve months. This is slightly higher than for the preceding year. The increased cost is attributed to the help problem.

THE MASONIC BOARD OF RELIEF

Of the City of New York is in a most healthy and prosperous condition. The balance from the year previous was \$23,255.13. Enough was added to this to leave a slightly increased surplus after paying 189 varying sums for relief. Total expenditures were \$4.287.43. A building known as the "Shelter" is kept open with a secretary in charge. This work has been going on in its present form since 1879.

The report of the Judge Advocate looks much like the report of decisions of a supreme court. This officer relieves the grand master of much of the work of his office in the construction of laws and the settlement of controversies coming up from the lodges. There are twentynine cases reported and forty-seven pages are required to present it. The functions of the Judge Advocate are a combination of the work of our grand master and committees on appeals and grievances and jurisprudence.

PAY WELL FOR SERVICE.

New York is a big state and does not hesitate to pay big salaries to its officers. The grand secretary receives a salary of \$5,400 and has an allowance of \$4,500 for clerk hire. \$0,900 to the grand secretary's office is pretty liberal. The wonder is that it was not made even \$10,000. Other salaries are grand lecturer \$2,400 and \$1,200 traveling expenses; librarian \$1,600, grand pursuivant \$500, and grand tyler \$500. No salary is provided for the grand master but an allowance is made of \$500 for clerk hire. The grand lodge pays "rent for administrative offices," \$7,000. This sum is fixed as the share of the grand lodge in keeping the Masonic Temple on a livable basis.

All grand officers were again elected "by acclamation." Even the junior grand warden was put in line for the grand east without opposition. The same condition of glorious harmony prevailed last year. Provision was made for the establishment of an employment bureau "to assist masons, their children, wives and widows in obtaining employment when needed." For this purpose \$1,000 were set aside for a beginning.

Annual Review.

The committee on correspondence presents its report and announces that its scope is "reviewing, and reviewing only, the doings of other grand lodges and all without comment or expression of personal views. Neither in quarrelsome spirit, finding fault with others, nor in fulsome flattery praise, to keep up the "Mutual Admiration Society" of the so-called round table, but, without display or boast, have we tried to report and reproduce for the benefit and instruction of the brethren of our own jurisdiction. We hold that we are chroniclers, not critics."

Such a review devoid of comment or criticism has much the flavor of a juicy steak without salt or other seasoning. Dignified comment and brotherly criticism have nothing in them of the "quarrelsome spirit" or "fulsome flattery praise." Correspondents can be faithful to their own brethren without descending to the level of mere flatterers.

A SOLID FOUNDATION.

The committee presents an excellent platform upon which other grand lodges must stand in asking recognition. It is as follows;

- 1. A belief in God, pre-requisite to recognition.
- 2. The Bible upon the altar.
- 3. Origin in ancient craft masonry,
- 4. Absolute control of the craft in the jurisdiction.

Notwithstanding the announcement of such safe and sane requirements New York is in fraternal correspondence with fifteen grand bodies which have been declined by Illinois. The scrutiny of JOSEPH ROBEINS for a quarter of a century has kept our own grand lodge free from many questionable alliances. Masonry in the Prairie State has not suffered by following the wisdom and learning of our late great masonic jurist and scholar.

As to Illinois.

Only one and one-half pages are given our proceedings for 1910. It says of Brother Ashley's report, "The grand master fills forty-four pages with his report, and it is an excellent resumé of the year's work and progress." Again it is said "much space is devoted to the matter of the Homes and justly so. They are in most praiseworthy condition." Again, "In concluding an excellent address," etc. In all these cases the New York committee came close to the brink of the precipice of comment and criticism. The remainder of the review is devoted to brief quotations from the annual report of Grand Master Ashley.

Grand master, Robert J. Kenworthy, Brooklyn; grand secretary, Edward M. L. Ehlers, New York City.

NEW ZEALAND—1910.

170 Lodges.

21ST ANNUAL.

10,850 Members.

According to American standards the grand lodge of New Zealand is of age. It was twenty-one years old in May, 1910. The art of making and printing good pictures has gone so far as to reach New Zealand. Excellent half-tones of Grand Master Griffiths, Deputy Grand Master Ross, Senior Grand Warden Hobbs and Junior Grand Warden King adorn and beautify an otherwise attractive book of the proceedings of the twenty-first annual communication held May 11, 1910.

The printer may be considered a little deliberate, if not slow. Proceedings reached the table of the Illinois reviewer December 16, seven months after the close of the grand lodge.

KING EDWARD.

An elaborate, tender and beautiful tribute was paid to the memory of KING EDWARD, not merely as a sovereign of the British empire but chiefly as a loyal and earnest worker in the quarries of the craft.

In New Zealand the grand officers "enter in procession" to open the grand lodge.

HOW GRAND OFFICERS ARE ELECTED.

First of all lodges and members must make nominations prior to the assembling of grand lodge. This extends to the full roster of officers, even including the minor places usually appointed by grand masters. The officers so nominated and reported are elected by a simple motion. The record shows that Christopher James Whitney Griffiths was by this method, unanimously elected grand master.

Illinois Masons are quite "touchy" over the right of every member to have a full voice in selecting officers and reluctantly tolerate nominations. Even though only one brother is placed before the grand lodge for any office a full ballot must be taken. The brethren might prefer to elect some one not nominated. The right to do so is carefully preserved.

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

In British and provincial grand lodges the Board of General Purposes is a potent factor in the year's business. Most of the important matters are here gone over and perfected ready for approval by the grand lodge itself. In the proceedings under review this effective agency transacts most of the business.

THE GOVERNOR AS GRAND MASTER.

Regarding the acceptance by Lord Plunket, governor of the do-

minion, of the office of grand master the following appears.

When his excellency consented to accept nomination for the office of grand master in 1006 we all realized the many advantages to the craft in this territory which must result from having the representative of his majesty at the head of the fraternity, but we did not venture to hope that Lord Plunket would take the earnest personal interest in our affairs which he has manifested throughout his occupancy of the chair of grand master.

The force of position and of titles in the British grand bodies is everywhere felt. The king, or governor, or other titled functionary becomes grand master because of his position.

In America every mason is on a level with every other. The president, a senator or a governor commands no more recognition as a mason than the humblest craftsman. Oftentimes these civic dignitaries are among the smallest potatoes and the fewest in the hill when affairs of freemasonry are under consideration.

In appointing provincial grand masters a custom has grown up to require that these should be submitted to the grand lodge for ratification. This custom was disapproved and it was held that the grand master's acts needed no approval.

FRICTION WITH ENGLAND.

Considerable attention was given to smoothing out the wrinkles that still are found in the relations of New Zealand with the mother country. It appears that there are still lodges in this Australasian province that are subservient to the grand lodge of England. Little reason can be seen why this mongrel condition should exist. Is not the grand lodge of England great enough without holding in its obedience a few scattering lodges in New Zealand? These add little to the numbers or prestige of the mother grand lodge. They would materially help in building up the fraternity in this far away land. England should get out of every British dependency where there is a regular grand lodge. It is the spirit of masonry to do so. The masonic world would welcome such a course as "harmony is the strength of all institutions," especially the masonic. The situation appears to be improving. The present grand master in a sojourn in England used his wisdom of diplomacy in bringing about a better feeling.

IN PROSPEROUS CONDITION.

The following extract from the report of the Board of General Purposes is gratifying.

The grand secretary is once more able to report to grand lodge that every lodge on our roll has paid all dues, debts, and demands up to

date, and this may be taken as an indication of the general prosperity of the craft under grand lodge, and the sound and healthy tone pervading our lodges.

The board heartily congratulates grand lodge upon the magnificent results which have attended it during the twenty years of its existence, and feels convinced the same prosperity will continue while we have the services of such zealous and capable officers and assistants.

In the greetings from other lands Illinois had a part. Our representative, Bro. Murdock McLean, was present.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

The review of grand lodges was made by P.G.M. Alfred H. Burton. It was his first offense and he is convicted. The judgment is that this work fell into good hands and is well done. Grand Secretary Niccol found it necessary to give up this work because of the exactions of his other duties. It requires 118 pages for Brother Burton to tell the world's masonic story as he read and understood it.

ABOUT ILLINOIS.

Two pages are devoted to Illinois. The reviewer regards sixty-six special dispensations issued by Grand Master Bell "considering the enormous size of the grand lodge to be quite modest when compared with the number appearing in the reports of other grand lodges." Truly, this is so. Illinois grand masters believe that the law should be allowed to run its regular course without breaks or interruptions from above. There can be very few instances in conferring degrees where the dispensation is at all justifiable. Men sometimes allow a lodge to exist in their community for many years without knocking at its doors. All of a sudden they appear and either they or their friends are urgent in demanding limited express methods in railroading them through. They should be allowed to go slowly enough to appreciate and understand it all.

HAS A TURN FOR HUMOR.

Brother Burton is much impressed with Brother Bell's humor as well as his ability as grand master. He says that—

The grand master comments, sometimes amusingly, sometimes with excusable irritation, and frequently with great disappointent upon the character of the hundreds of inquiries that are addressed to him.

The following high compliment goes to the oration and its author. The grand orator, Bro. Euclid B. Rogers, delivered a most brilliant oration upon "The World Growing Better." If the delivery were worthy of the matter—as to which no doubt need be entertained—the grand lodge of Illinois was rendered a treat indeed. It were an impertinence to attempt to summarize or to extract from it.

Its brilliant delivery added much to its force and beauty.

BROTHER COOK'S REPORT.

He says that—

The report of the committee on masonic correspondence extends to no less than 344 pages—in itself a goodly tome. It is the work of Bro. Edward Cook, who succeds the late M.W. Bro. Joseph Robbins, as to whom he speaks in unnecessarily self-deprecatory terms.

Grand master, Christopher J. W. Griffiths, Blenheim; grand secretary, Malcolm Niccol, Wellington.

NORTH CAROLINA-1911.

395 LODGES.

124TH ANNUAL.

20,846 Members.

The "old north state" honors the superintendent of the Orphans' Home by making his picture the frontispiece to the proceedings of 1911. Usually the face of the grand master is presented. The fact that Bro. W. J. Hicks died two days after the grand lodge closed made his preferment most appropriate. For thirteen years Brother Hicks had stood at the head of the Oxford Orphanage and, during this last session, presented his resignation because of failing health. Two days later he passed to his reward.

The annual meeting convened at Raleigh January 11, 1911, and remained in busy session for three days.

A complete list of past grand masters from 1787 to 1911, with the years of their service, immediately precedes the regular records. There were fifty-eight names on the list.

The Illinois representative, Leo. D. Heartt, was present. He is the grand treasurer of North Carolina.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Is a most soulful, poetical and, withal, forceful presentation of masonry in the state and the world. The opening paragraph is a fair sample of the sentiment that often breaks out in the course of the report. It is as follows;

Fresh from the inspirational glow of that influence which, at Christmas-tide and the nativity of the year, fills the hearts of men with the uplift of better, purer, and nobler sentiments, we have assembled in another, the one hundred and twenty-fourth annual communication of the grand lodge, and, as hand clasps hand and heart meets heart in fraternal affection, we feel the magnetizing, thrilling force of human friendship, that for the time opens the channel through which heaven flows to earth.

The death of P.G.M. John M. Pearson, of Illinois, is suitably recognized.

DECISIONS.

The grand master reports eighteen decisions. Only two call for mention here.

The grand master holds that he has no power to grant permission to a lodge to elect a brother as master until he has served as warden. There are people who think the grand master has power to set aside the law made by the grand lodge, or to nullify landmarks, or do any other old thing he chooses. This is a far cry from the truth. He can grant dispensations within the limits prescribed by the laws and ancient regulations.

One other decision is most righteous and wholesome. He says—Several lodges have asked permission to send out appeals for aid in building halls or temples. I have felt it proper to decline, since so many lodges own no lodge rooms and have a hard time paying rents and I thought it best not to open the door for these appeals.

PREPARING TO BUILD.

Steps have been taken to erect and maintain "The Masonic and Eastern Star Home." The site has been selected at Greensboro. The "Orphanage" is a fine institution and successfully managed. Of this the grand master speaks in these words.

The Oxford Orphan Asylum is the brighest jewel that sparkles in the diadem of North Carolina masonry. There throbs the great heart of masonry. There are being moulded, from among those otherwise left hopeless and bereft, pure, noble characters and splendid citizens. These great charities constitute the best investment that can be made by state, church, fraternity, or society.

ONLY FEW MASONIC ORPHANS.

He says that "only a small percent of the children cared for at this institution are in any way connected with masons." This is a beautiful spirit but its breadth may leave many deserving without care. The orphans of a whole state are a pretty big load for 20,000 masons to carry. So far the aged and indigent mason has been left out in the cold but the new home is to supply this need.

It is noticeable that the ready hands and sympathetic hearts of the ladies of the Eastern Star are invited to unite with the masons in this great labor of love. It appears that the Eastern Star has assumed the burden of two-fifths of the cost of building and maintaining the Home for the aged and infirm.

During the century and a quarter in the life of this grand lodge they might have reached this consummation some years ago. However, the fashion has been to erect showy buildings, with beautiful mortgage attachments, rather than to provide for the needy. It is like bestudding the seldom-used parlor with choice works of art and letting the constantly-used kitchen go bare.

IN THE COURTS.

The grand master says that-

During February, 1910, an action was begun in the superior Sourt of Forsyth county against the grand lodge, in which "The Supreme Grand Council, Sovereign Grand Inspectors General, thirty-third and last degree, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the United States of America, their territories and dependencies" was plaintiff.

These plaintiffs are what are known as the Bayliss bodies, and were refused recognition by our grand lodge two years ago.

The suit of these spurious bodies will last about as long in the courts as a snow-ball would in that land which never freezes over.

ONE SECRETARY'S WAY.

The secretary of one of the lodges is a genius. He sends out an invitation to each meeting of his lodge with some attractive sentiment. The grand master gives the following as a sample of his work.

"By practical masonry we mean that part which brings our better being into daily use and demonstrates beyond question that there is something in it beyond the selfishness of our natures. It teaches us to stand by our brother in every walk of life, and go to his assistance whatever may be his condition. If he is in want, assist him. If he is in danger, warn him. If he is sick, administer unto him. If he is assailed, protect him. If he is slandered or traduced, defend him. If he is naked, clothe him. If he is hungry, feed him. If he is cast down, cheer him. If he is out of employment, exercise yourself in his behalf and find something for him to do. In short, it matters not what his condition is, it is our duty to extend him all the aid we can and thereby demonstrate the practical part of masonry."

Such a notice ought to bring results.

The grand master notes that some lodges charge only \$1.00 dues, ainety cents of this goes to the grand lodge. Think of trying to maintain masonry with ten cents per member per year! Evidently the lodge and all its activities would be like Mother Hubbard's celebrated cupboard.

NOT A POPULAR BOOK.

The grand secretary reports that the proceedings from 1804 to 1840, reprinted by the grand lodge, had failed to sell. The cost of 750 copies

was \$800. Only seven books were sold bringing in \$17.50. It was hoped to get the cost of printing back. Perhaps \$2.50 per volume is considered a pretty high price.

Bro. Francis D. Winston, the grand orator, presented his oration in poetical form. It fills six pages of the proceedings. The theme worked out brings the fact that God is our Father and man our brother. The poem-oration is unique and ingenious if not wholly imaginative in its composition.

A Modern Rip Van Winkle.

Surely someone has indulged in a long nap in North Carolina. In giving a list of grand lodges and grand secretaries the following appears. "Illinois, grand secretary, J. H. C. Dill, Bloomington." Bless your soul our good Brother Dill has been for nearly four years at "eternal refreshment in the paradise of God." Why not revise your statistical tables occasionally?

The representative of Illinois near the grand lodge of North Caroline is given as "Jas. N. McFatish." Our Bro. James B. McFatrich does not look becomingly with such a name.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Is by Bro, John A. Collins and is a readable report of the doings of sixty-four grand lodges. Illinois for 1910 comes under review.

He says that-

The pictorial embellishments of this handsome volume consist of the likeness of Past Grand Master John M. Pearson, and Past District Deputy Grand Master William B. Grimes, both of whom passed from their labors and were laid to rest with masonic ceremonies by the grand lodge. There is also a cut of the Masonic Home at LaGrange, Ill., and a group picture of the orphan children at their temporary home in Chicago.

The address of the grand master, Albert B. Ashley, is an excellent report of the condition of the craft, and, necessarily, a lengthy document. Liberal quotations are made from Grand Master Ashley's report.

EGYPT AND MEXICO.

As to the decision of Illinois regarding Egypt and Mexico the correspondent says—

As the result of a strong special report of the committee on correspondence, Bro. Owen Scott, the request of the National Grand Lodge of Egypt for recognition was promptly declined.

By the same committee a report on the condition of Mexican masonry was submitted, and as these spurious organizations have not been recognized by the grand lodge of Illinois, it was deemed sufficient to print the report in the proceedings.

Grand master, Richard N. Hackett, Wilkesboro; grand secretary, John C. Drewry, Raleigh.

NORTH DAKOTA-1910.

96 Lodges.

21ST · ANNUAL.

7,581 Members

One year ago the first book of proceedings coming in for review was North Dakota. It seems quite natural, therefore, to pick up the tasty 1910 volume as the first work for this year.

The session was held at Fargo, June 21. The handsome picture of the retiring grand master, Bro. Halfdan Bendeke, gives the book a good start. An interesting biographical sketch of Brother Bendeke follows.

A minor chord runs through the entire session. The unexpected death of the efficient grand secretary, Frank Jared Thompson, cast a gloom over the grand lodge from beginning to close. In all ways Brother Thompson appears to have been the center of light and influence of North Dakota masonry. It may be of interest to know that Brother Thompson came originally from Rockford, Ill.

A GOOD SEND-OFF.

Preliminary to the regular business of the session the masons of Fargo gave a hearty welcome. A procession escorted the grand master from the hotel to the place of meeting. This escort was by commanderies of Knights Templar from Fargo and Grand Forks headed by a military band. On arriving at the Masonic Temple Past Grand Master Hager made an address of welcome. This greeting and display are noted as an innovation but the record shows that all were pleased. After the formal opening, a thirty-minute recess was taken to allow the representatives to turn in their credentials. In Illinois this is simplified by having a committee on credentials in advance and the brethren turn in their cards on entering.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The grand master says that "this past year has been the most inspiring of my life." A single paragraph will show his accurate conception of masonry. It is as follows;

The masonic order seems so wonderful to me that I sometimes think God must have inspired our founders to make it the unit of all creeds. The order is not meant to take the place of the church, but nevertheless it combines the different faiths in a unit, where no contention exists; it encourages education in all its branches; it broadens its members and is indeed the brotherhood of man, of good men, of trusty friends, of those who delight in doing good to their fellowmen and assisting the upbuilding of the communities in which they live. We do not claim to be saints nor so much better than the profane, but we do aim to be a society of human intelligence, of those who show consideration to the rights of others, and who believe that happiness to others is happiness to us. I often wish I had been born a masonic student and writer, because I have seen so much of the beauties of masonry that I know that such a life would be ideal, but I am thankful for what I have learned, and shall delight in reading what the real students of our order produce.

MOURNS A GOOD FRIEND.

The grand master pours out his grief over the death of Grand Secretary Thompson. It occurred while the grand master was at the nation's capital and he was not able to be at the funeral. The following will summarize his virtues and show his relation to his grand lodge;

He was the soul of our grand lodge; we have to thank him largely for the harmony and peace which has always prevailed in our jurisdiction. His assistance to lodges and to each grand master during his nineteen years of grand secretaryship has been invaluable, his foresight and resourcefulness was wonderful, and whatever he undertook was done in a pleasing manner that left no sting to any one concerned. The masonic library of several thousand splendid works is a monument to him that will live forever. He befriended me in many ways, and his death removes the tower of strength and wisdom from me as far as our masonic relationship is concerned.

BRIEF DECISIONS.

But two decisions are reported. The first was that a unanimous ballot was necessary in voting on a petition for affiliation. The committee on jurisprudence and the grand lodge sustained the grand master. The other was that a master held over until his successor was elected and installed. So simple a rule scarcely needed a decision.

The dedication of a masonic temple at Fargo and the laying of the corner stone of a Presbyterian college at Jamestown were the chief events of the year in public service.

SECURING A NEW GRAND SECRETARY.

For two months the grand master acted as grand secretary by the aid of the office force already in service. The selection of a new one to be appointed was carefully made. The grand high priest of the grand chapter, R.A.M., and the grand commander of the Knights Templar

were consulted. It is not easily seen why the executive officers of other organizations should have been taken into confidence. At length Past Grand Master Walter L. Stockwell was chosen. Judging from the quality of the work as shown in the printed proceedings and his election by the grand lodge, the selection must have been a wise one. A monument to the memory of the late grand secretary was recommended

ORATORICAL CONTEST.

The masons of North Dakota believe in promoting and encouraging oratory, as will be seen by the following from the grand master's address:

On April 29, 1910, I had the honor to be present at the state oratorical contest at the University of North Dakota, and there presented to the winner of said contest, Mr. William H. Greenleaf, a beautiful gold watch, being the prize which the grand lodge gives annually in order to encourage the art of public speaking. Mr. Greenleaf's address upon George Rogers Clarke, "A Great Westerner," was splendidly rendered. The presentation was received with great favor by the large audience which seemed to appeciate the generous gift of the grand lodge.

RUNS INTO POLITICS.

The grand master evidently believes that all good masons should vote at the party primaries. He says—

Owing to the fact that our regular dates for the annual communication came on primary election day, I was obliged to change the dates to June 21 and 22. This was not done until I had ascertained the opinion of all grand lodge members and found that over ninety percent of them favored the above named dates. This matter will come up every year, but I have no practical remedy to offer, as I feel that the latter part of June is the best time to hold our grand lodge meetings, and perhaps some day the date of the primaries will be changed.

The finances of this new and sparsely settled state appear to be in excellent condition. A net balance in the treasury of \$25,704.20 is a pretty good showing for a grand lodge with less than 100 constituent lodges.

THE GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

Follows in the lines of his predecessor. He discusses everything from Dan to Beersheba. It is generally believed that the grand secretary should be a record keeper and not trench upon the functions and prerogatives of the grand master. Almost nothing in the way of statistics can be found. The model report of Brother Cutter would serve as a fine pattern. There is much of interest in the facts and figures of a grand lodge and no one but the grand secretary can give them adequately.

The committee on jurisprudence reported that publishing in the newspapers the names of individuals who have received the degrees in masonry is unmasonic. It was also decided that no mason should give the names of candidates to the reporters. By endorsement of the grand lodge, this was made the rule.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Past Grand Master James W. Foley, poet laureate of North Dakota, is the committee on correspondence. His report is a "digest of decisions of the various grand masters as reported in the proceedings of 1909." This and nothing more. Nine pages are devoted to this variegated law of the grand lodges. It is given with a carefully prepared subject index and makes it easy to see what other states are doing on any question. Illinois is drawn on in only two instances. One of these under caption of "Liquor" is as follows;

Subordinate lodge cannot discipline brother for sale of, in conformity with state law, where grand lodge does not make such business a bar to masonry. Subordinate lodge cannot legislate on this subject independently of grand lodge.

The other was Brother Bell's decision regarding suspension for non-payment of dues.

The session of the Masonic Veterans' Association was held at the time of the meeting of the grand lodge and its doings are published in the proceedings.

Grand master, John J. Hull, Wahpeton; grand secretary. Walter L. Stockwell, Fargo.

NOVA SCOTIA-1910.

72 Lodges.

45TH ANNUAL.

6,037 MEMBERS.

A plain, simple book of nearly 500 pages comes from Nova Scotia as the record of proceedings of its grand lodge held June 8, 1910, at Wolfville in Lecture Hall of Acadia University. No pictures of distinguished brethren adorn its pages. A number of special meetings were reported.

The one on August 25 was to dedicate the "Nova Scotia Freemasons' Home." Elaborate ceremonies were used to begin the excellent work of caring for the needy. It requires considerable pluck for a grand

lodge of but 6,000 members to undertake so large a task. In closing his report the superintendent of the Home says—

The number of inmates is not as large as we had expected. More could have been taken care of without any appreciable increase in expense, barring sickness, yet the order is to be congratulated if there are not more of the class for whom the Home was designed, who are needing the comforts it has to offer.

Will the brother permit a suggestion? Call them "members" not "inmates." The latter word has the musty flavor of the poorhouse, the asylum and other unpleasant reminders. It appears that so far no children have been found needing the care of their fathers' brethren.

Brass Band Masonry.

Almost immediately after the annual communication was opened a procession was formed and headed by the Windsor brass band marched to St. John's church. An eloquent sermon was preached by the grand chaplain, Rev. Bro. William Driffield. It is printed in full by order of the grand lodge. The text is most appropriate—"Honor all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the King."—1 Peter 2-17.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Is a strong, sensible presentation of a year's activities in masonry. Being a British subject he first pays a fitting tribute to the memory of King Edward, the great peace ruler and freemason.

The death of Bro. Joseph Robbins is recorded.

Few Decisions.

Are reported and these of local interest. However in No. 1 a rather singular doctrine is announced. He says that a proposed visitor from the grand lodge of Italy can be admitted, and adds—

While we are not represented near that grand lodge, nor are we in correspondence with it no "EDICT" has ever been issued by the grand lodge of Nova Scotia prohibiting intercourse with the grand lodge of Italy, and a master mason representing himself as being under the grand lodge of Italy can be admitted as a visitor in any lodge in our jurisdiction, provided he complies with the requirements of our constitution regarding the examination of visitors and satisfying the examining committee that he is in good masonic standing in his lodge."

If Grand Master Black had been looking for a piece of thin ice to skate over he certainly hit the most available spot.

UNIFORM WORK

Is giving the Nova Scotia masons much concern. The grand master represents that great diversity exists but the time had not arrived for a

change. Lodges are not willing to abandon what they have for something different. It is as easy one time as another. The only way is to adopt a work and conform to it.

The Illinois list of regular lodges is commended as a safe guide in detecting fraudulent and clandestine bodies.

The committee on charity have expended \$160 on various needy persons. Their relief fund is \$2,209.53.

VISITS EVERY LODGE.

The committee on grand master's address congratulates the grand master on his achievement in visiting every lodge in the province. Having but seventy-two lodges this is possible, and yet it involves considerable time and labor. If an Illinois grand master should get ambitious to visit all his nearly 800 lodges he would have a strenuous year.

The grand lodge embarked in the enterprise of conferring "Past Rank." This innovation may work under the shadow of the British system of the nobility with the multitude of ranks and titles. It would not go in democratic America. The grand lodge was closed by singing the national anthem.

THE CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

Was written by Thomas Mowbray, grand secretary. His review includes fifty-nine grand lodges. Illinois gets good treatment both in quantity of space and in quality of matter.

He refers to Brother Bell's "well prepared" address and gives a comprehensive summary. He says that "The grand master was outspoken, as he had a right to be, about questions submitted for his decision." He then quotes Brother Bell's illustrations of the ignorance of the law.

THE HOMES.

This correspondent says that—

Evidently these "Homes" are doing splendid work and the financial aid and assistance they are receiving, and the interest taken therein, speak well for the liberality and true masonic spirit of our Illinois brethren.

Brother Rogers' oration made an evident hit as the following will show,

The grand orator, Bro. Enclid B. Rogers, delivered a most eloquent and instructive oration which evidently was greatly enjoyed.

He quotes liberally from the oration and regrets that his space will not admit more.

COOK IS NOW COX.

In referring to the death of Brother Robbins he says-

His place is taken by Bro. Edward Cox. The new correspondent, Brother Cox, has reviewed the proceedings of all grand lodges received, and presents a most interesting and well-prepared report upon which we beg to congratulate him.

The compliment to Brother Cook cannot be hidden by the error in the name. If it occurred but once the printer and proofreader might be blamed but it was evidently an oversight of the reviewer.

Grand master, William M. Black, Wolfville; grand secretary. Thomas Mowbray, Halifax.

OHIO-1910.

520 LODGES.

IOIST ANNUAL.

79,501 MEMBERS.

In most activities Ohio can be relied upon to be among the leaders. It is so in masonry. Last year by reason of action in making President TAFT a mason at sight, she was the talk of the masonic world. The proceedings of 1910, however, are not sur-charged with sensation. They record a simple practical year of good work. That masonry has prospered is shown by a net growth of 3.525 members. The annual meeting was held at Columbus. Next year it will be at Dayton. It is thus seen that Buckeye masonry is "on wheels." Why not settle down and grow up like Illinois has done?

A modest book of 400 pages gives the past year's record. An excellent picture of Grand Master Perry is the front adornment. Owing to the migratory habit of the Ohio grand lodge, it must sit patiently by and be greeted by the local masons. Brother Kinsman, of Columbus. proclaimed the hospitality of the masons of his city.

Breeds Great Men.

Ohio has long since made Virginia look rather questionable as the "mother of presidents." By being a close state of the north "the Ohio man" has been taught to help swing presidential elections. In other branches of civic life she has been equally prolific of statesmen and office-holders. In masonic and fraternal circles Ohio is just now occupying the center of the stage.

At the Columbus meeting a coterie of men holding high positions in the orders based on masonry were much in evidence. The grand high priest of the grand chapter R.A.M. of Ohio; the grand senior warden of the grand commandery, K.T.; William B. Melish, grand master of the grand encampment of Knights Templar of the United States, and Barton Smith, sovereign grand commander of the northern jurisdiction Scottish Rite, made a quartet of notables to cause the humble craftsman to rub his eyes, sit up and wonder if it was all true. It was and they were from Ohio, too. Just why they should be formally introduced to a grand lodge of masons must be explained by those who live in the "higher degrees."

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

Brother Perry calls attention to the fact that the greatest growth in numbers in their history was recorded. He vouches that the quality is constantly becoming better. The first thought is of the fraternal dead. He notes that no grand officer has been called away, yet 1,059 of the workers in the quarries have laid down their earthly tools for the better land. This choice quotation is a fitting introduction. He says—

"Year by year we are reminded that death

With busy fingers Culls his flowers, the sweetest, rarest, Binding in his sheaves the fairest."

Brother Pearson's death is noted.

LAW TAKES ITS COURSE.

The grand master says-

I have received a great many requests for permission to disregard the express provisions of the code and the laws of the grand lodge in receiving and considering petitions for initiation, and in conferring of degrees; also requests for permission to issue appeals for financial aid. all of which have been refused.

His attitude concerning decisions is also sound and safe. He says that many questions have come to him during the year but "they have with very few exceptions been disposed of by referring the writer to the code and decisions." He only reports one decision. This relates to a local law pertaining to jurisdiction.

Sound Financially.

Financially the Ohio grand lodge is in excellent condition. A balance on hand October 10, 1910, of \$64,528.70 is shown by the grand treasurer. The sum of \$180 comes from "interest on general fund."

Grand Secretary Bromwell presents his twenty-second annual report. Here has undoubtedly been a faithful servant. This report shows that the sum of thirty cents per member goes to the Masonic Home

fund and produces \$23,850.30. The grand lodge placed \$20,000 from the general fund into the Home treasury.

THE LIQUOR QUESTION.

The following amendment to the law was presented and goes over for one year.

Section 58. To traffic or engage in the business of selling intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes is a masonic offense and shall subject the brother to charges and expulsion; it shall also be a disqualification for initiation or affiliation in any masonic lodge.

The grand lodge declined to make any reciprocal arrangement with Kentucky regarding discipline of sojourning masons.

AN IMPORTANT SUBJECT.

The committee on foreign correspondence made the following timely recommendation.

Upon the subject of recognition of other grand lodges your committee is of the opinion, because of the great increase in late years in the number of grand lodges being formed everywhere and because of the different sources from which they derive their origin and of the indefinite essentials of which such bodies should be possessed, that the chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence should be authorized to enter into correspondence with other grand lodges looking toward the establishment of a basis of requirements essential to all bodies asking recognition and exchange of grand representatives, hoping thereby to secure uniformity upon this subject among all the grand lodges of the world.

Requests for recognition from the following grand bodies were received and held for evidence of qualification; Republic of Dominicana, Nicaragua, Rio Grande Do Sul, Greece and Salvador.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

The review of the grand lodge proceedings was written by P.G.M. WM. A. Belt. There is so much of symbolism in his short introduction that it is here given bodily.

We here bring to you, from the shores of the great busy masonic sea, shells washed shoreward by the force of its doings. Profit will come to you, we hope, if you will study these results of activity. And those that please you, place on your mental charm string. If only one little shell is thus stored away by each one of our craftsmen, we are abundantly rewarded for our labors.

ILLINOIS' SHARE.

The reviewer says that "Grand Master Bell gave a masterly address, reporting the services rendered and the status of the craft during

this his second year." The attitude of the grand master in refusing to lay a corner stone which did not have the inscription that it was "laid by the masonic fraternity" was indorsed as correct..

The Ohio correspondence committee gives hearty endorsement to the action of our grand lodge in refusing recognition to Valle de Mexico. This in the face of the fact that Ohio is one of the twenty-eight who have recognized. Here is what they say.

However, after all evidence was heard, it became evident that twenty-eight American grand lodges and seven foreign, by hasty and ill informed action, have established relations with a clandestine body. Illinois did not make this mistake, but turned the request down, just as all of us should have done.

OUR FALLEN LEADER.

The report quotes from Brother Bell's eulogy of Brother Robbins and adds—

We are grieved to chronicle the death of so noble a soul as Past Grand Master Dr. Joseph Robbins, "cast in a heroic mold." For twentynine years the foreign correspondent, a great and strong pillar and coworker with our late M.W. Bro. W. M. Cunningham.

Regarding Brother Cook, Brother Belt says-

The mantle of Brother Robbins has fallen on Past Grand Master Edward Cook, and his labors were finished very creditably in these proceedings by the latter. The position of Brother Cook can be understood by no one better than myself, and here is wishing him courage.

Brother Belt succeeded the Ohio masonic giant, Cunningham, while Brother Cook followed "the grand old man" of Illinois, Robbins.

Grand master, H. S. Kissell, Springfield; grand secretary, J. H. Bromwell, Cincinnati.

OKLAHOMA-1910.

385 Lodges.

2ND ANNUAL.

20,000 Members. (Estimated.)

The second annual communication of the grand lodge of Oklahoma, after statehood and consolidation with the grand lodge of Indian Territory, was held at McAlester, February 9, 1910. Almost nine months afterward the proceedings are received. There must have been a pretty busy grand secretary or very slow printers. The meeting was the 37th

annual for Indian Territory and the 18th for the territory of Oklahoma. That the new state is in a gowing condition is shown by the large number of corner stones laid during the year. Twenty-four "emergent" communications are reported, at each one of which a corner stone was laid.

A NEW RITUAL.

This new grand lodge wisely provided, at its first meeting after their consolidation, a plan for a new ritual and a uniform work. A committee was appointed and the grand master called a special meeting of the grand lodge on the day preceding the annual session. As the best method of reporting the uniform work each degree was conferred on actual candidates by a team thoroughly drilled in the standard work just provided. The presentation was so satisfactory that the grand lodge unanimously adopted the work as prepared and presented by the committee. It was no small task to take the work of two grand lodges and so interweave it as to satisfy both. At the annual meeting Illinois was unrepresented.

VALLE DE MEXICO.

A letter recommending the recognition of Valle de Mexico was presented. This was referred to the committee on law and usage. During the session this committee in its report recommended that the question of recognition of the Mexican body be referred to a special committee to investigate and report. This was a wise course to pursue. During the past year Valle de Mexico has been torn into two factions each claiming to be regular. Oklahoma will no doubt discover that neither is entitled to be accepted as representing ancient craft masonry.

A VALUABLE ORATION.

Almost the first business was the delivery of a fine oration on "Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth," by the grand orator, William H. Talmage. Much of this is worthy of reproduction here but limitations of space will prevent. The orator depicts the low condition of society in the most civilized lands and the gradual advance and uplift of man through such agencies as freemasonry furnishes. He says that—

At the time operative masonry adopted the more noble purposes of speculative masonry history tells us that men had their ears cropped and cheeks branded with hot irons for trivial offenses. Women were tied to wagons and dragged through the streets while being whipped because they had received stolen goods. Orphans were left to drift for themselves or were turned over to those who enslaved them and made life a veritable hell. Two hundred and twenty-three capital offenses were recognized by the laws of England. For a poor man to cut down a tree, kill a rabbit, take seventy-five cents, deface Westminister bridge with his penknife was to make himself liable to death. And after a man

was hung he was often left to rot. Wives were not only deprived of any rights in the home but were permitted to be auctioned by their husbands in the public streets. As late as 1807 one wife brought five dollars and a bowl of punch. Another, six pence and a plug of tobacco. Sanitation was almost unknown. Smallpox and other epidemics raged unchecked. The mass of people were left in ignorance and power centered in the hands of but a few.

Charles Dickens tells of a young mother whom he knew to be forced to the gallows with a little infant in her arms for the offense of stealing a loaf of bread. Gladstone not only affirmed the incident, but said that there were many such.

He then shows the mighty change and cites the orphans' homes and the care of the aged as thhe acme of present day beneficences. The entire address was one of great interest and profit to the hearer and later to the reader.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

Following the oration came a most valuable review of the year's work by Grand Master Maldrow. Most of this has to do with routine and detail of masonry in Oklahoma. The state had been divided into thirty-nine districts and deputies put in charge. Full reports were made showing masonry in a prosperous condition.

The grand master refers to the Ohio incident of making President TAFT a mason at sight. He concludes that under Ohio law the action taken was strictly within the prerogatives and power of the grand master and above criticism, except in the political and public relation that the favored recipient bore. However, Brother MULDROW clears the Oklahoma atmosphere by saying that—

This is a question that will never become personal to this jurisdiction under the present constitution, which expressly forbids the grand master making masons at sight. The question of the right from an ethical standpoint for the grand lodge to so restrict the grand master is a mooted one, but calls for no discussion at this time. However, the probability of a grand master violating this written law in this jurisdiction is exceedingly remote.

Incorporation of the grand lodge under the laws of the state of Oklahoma is reported.

ABOUT THEIR LAW.

As usual the grand master finds his time occupied with useless questions. In only twelve instances are the subjects of sufficient importance to report. The committee on law and usage approves all but one.

In No. 5 it is asked what shall be done with a petition for degrees signed by brethren not members of the lodge?

The grand master holds it irregular and that the petition should be returned.

The grand master decides that a master can be installed even though charges are pending against him. This may be true on the theory that innocence is presumed until guilt is proven. However, might it not be the part of wisdom to postpone installation until the charges are out of the way? Should he be found guilty after he is in office the situation would be full of embarrassment. In Illinois the lodge cannot try a W.M. It can only present the case to the grand master for consideration and action. Very properly the grand master holds that members of a lodge cannot advertise that on certain days a percentage of the profits in their business will go to a temple building fund.

These business men are merely trying to exploit masonry for mercenary purposes. A non-affiliate had the "gall" to vote on a petition for the degrees. The question was, did that invalidate the ballot? It was decided that unless the candidate was rejected the illegal vote did not affect the ballot.

Other decisions are not of outside interest. The grand master reports the recommendations of the conference of grand masters at Philadelphia. All were adopted and a committee was appointed to draft necessary amendments to the laws conformable thereto.

Two irregular lodges are reported in the state. A threat to go into the courts for protection is made. Don't advertise these bodies. They thrive on notoriety.

THE COLORED MAN.

Oklahoma stands by Mississippi in its controversy over admitting negroes in New Jersey. The grand lodge refuses to hold the Jerseyites as masons until they purge their lodges of the black brother. No mason from New Jersey can visit a lodge in Oklahoma.

The grand master recommended that the junior warden be required "to preside in the conferring of the entered apprentice degree, the senior warden, the fellow craft, and the master confer the master mason degree. In this way the wardens would become competent to confer all three degrees provided advancement was made in due succession."

This rule would be rather stiff and awkward. Why not require the master to be able to confer all parts of every degree? In many Illinois lodges brethren who have not held any official place can and often do confer all the degrees. If a man is a master he should master the ritual. He should then call others to the east and let them learn the work under his tutelage.

A GRAND OLD MAN.

Among the recommendations of the grand master is the following; That Bro. Joseph Samuel Murrow, in grateful appreciation of his long life of devoted self-sacrifice to the cause of freemasonry in this jurisdiction, and as a token of the love and affection in which he is held by the masons of this state, be officially recognized by this grand lodge as "the father of masonry in the state of Oklahoma." and that he be retired from his active grand secretaryship and become grand secretary honorary, with a salary of nine hundred dollars for the year 1910 and six hundred dollars per annum for the remainder of his life. Also that so long as he may live in this jurisdiction, he be required to sign all charters for lodges organized under this grand lodge, and that he be the installing officer of this grand lodge so long as he may live.

The foregoing was adopted without a dissenting vote. Brother MURROW was made "grand secretary *emeritus.*" Truly Oklahomans do not turn their aged and faithful servants out to beg or starve.

CARE FOR DEPENDENTS.

The grand lodge was most fortunate in getting a section of land for a Masonic Home. It was a reservation for a school for the Cheyenne and Arapaho Indians. It consisted of 640 acres with buildings and other appurtenances of great value. The site is considered the finest of any in the United States for a "masonic orphanage, home and industrial school." The cost was \$73,288.41. This was regarded as a very low price. The present Home has fifty-six children and as soon as the title is acquired they can take immediate possession with full equipment for every purpose. During the session the 700 brethren present were greatly pleased to see the children from the Home all enter during a recess of the grand lodge. Suitable exercises were given to the delight of all. A shower of silver from the pockets of the brethren descended on the "kids" to their great joy. Truly the real fruitage of masonry is found in such work as this.

The venerable and beloved brother, Joseph S. Murrow, was appointed to prepare a monitor to fit in with the new work as our standard monitor does in Illinois. It is to be known as "The Murrow Masonic Monitor."

Here is Something Queer.

After declaring against Cerneauism and every other irregularism the grand lodge was delivered of the following:

Likewise, the state of Oklahoma is occupied by a Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, by a Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters, by a Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, and by Consistories of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Southern Jurisdiction, all of which bodies are lawfully constituted and established within our state, and all of which are duly recognized by masonic bodies through-

out the world; and all of these rest upon our blue lodges and the three degrees therein conferred.

Therefore, the grand lodge of Oklahoma recognizes the above named bodies as having obtained exclusive jurisdiction in the state of Oklahoma over their several degrees by virtue of the foregoing principles, and hereby so instructs all constituent lodges within this state.

Neither physician, wet-nurse nor god-father is mentioned. What business has a grand lodge of ancient, free and accepted masons attempting to fix the status of bodies and organizations wholly foreign to its obedience? Why not decide as to the regularity of the Improved Order of Red Men or the Knights of Pythias or the Modern Woodmen? A masonic grand lodge has just as much official knowledge and connection with the Elks as with the shrine, commandery or consistory. Many years ago an aged school teacher gave to his pupils this copy, "A. T. Stewart got rich minding his own business." Masons can learn a lesson here.

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Was written by Grand Secretary Wm. M. Anderson, chairman of the committee. It is brief, covering only thirty pages, and reviews but twelve grand lodges. Illinois was not one of the fortunate dozen. Explanation is made that, owing to the numerous duties of Brother Anderson as grand secretary, he was unable to review more. Considering the fact that Oklahoma had two grand secretaries during the year it would seem that the clerical duties might have been lighter by division of labor.

Grand master, George Ruddell, Weatherford; grand secretary, WM. M. Anderson, Waurika.

OKLAHOMA-1911.

420 Lodges.

3RD ANNUAL.

23,000 MEMBERS.

Last year Oklahoma proceedings did not arrive in time for review. Hence two years come together. The third annual of the consolidated grand lodge was held at Guthrie February 8, 1911. In addition there were reported the doings of fourteen "emergent" communications, thirteen of which were to lay corner stones of masonic and public buildings. In one respect Oklahoma is peculiar. These emergent communications are opened only on the first degree, presumably to give entered apprentices an opportunity to participate. As an inducement to ad-

vancement the full privileges of the craft should be withheld. If all is open to them many will tarry along the way and may never become master masons,

SOME SHOW.

To enjoy somewhat the spectacular the deputy grand master called the grand lodge to order and announced that the grand master was in an adjoining apartment. He was waited upon by the proper functionaries and escorted to the east and received with the grand honors. Query—What right has the deputy grand master to call the body to order when the grand master is present? The representative of Illinois was not in attendance during the annual session.

The death of P.G.M. John M. Pearson was noted by the grand master in his annual address.

But three decisions are eported and these are purely local in their bearing.

NEW JERSEY OUTLAWED.

Because there exists in New Jersey a lodge composed mostly of negroes. Oklahoma refuses to enter into fraternal relations. It is unfortunate that this new and progressive grand lodge should track with Mississippi in keeping up the race controversy. In all other southern states, where the negro question is prominent and embarrassing, no action has been taken.

EVOLVING A HOME.

The preparation of the government school property consisting of 640 acres for use as a Masonic Home is proving rather more difficult and expensive than was anticipated. The grand master recommended that \$1.00 per member be added to the dues from each of the lodges. This was approved by a unanimous vote. To meet the deferred payments to the United States, to remodel and equip the buildings and maintain the Home make the financial situation rather acute. The approximate amount needed for the year is given at \$51,900. With a membership of about 20,000 some very careful financiering as well as some good, big-hearted, rich brothers will be required. It is reported that the Eastern Star will produce \$10,000 of this necessary sum. There are in the Home 76 children, 6 men and 4 ladies.

QUESTIONABLE RECOMMENDATION.

The grand master recommends the following:

That this committee consider the subject of spreading the ballot for each of the three degrees, thus electing for one degree only at a time: that they consider the issuing of a dimit to an entered apprentice or fellow craft instead of the former method of granting a waiver of jurisdiction, or requesting another lodge to confer the degree; that

entered apprentices and fellow crafts be charged dues; that a dimit to a master mason be issued only when the member has petitioned another lodge for affiliation and be conditioned so that his membership in the lodge dimiting will not be severed until the lodge petitioned elects him to membership, and in this way eliminate non-affiliates.

It would be difficult to name four more questionable rules than those suggested in the above quotation. 1. What reason can be given for a ballot for each degree? A man is fit to be a master mason, if he is worthy of initiation. 2. To dimit a fellow craft is to send him hopelessly adrift on the masonic sea. 3. To charge an E.A. or a F.C. dues before he is entitled to the rights and privileges of the lodge would be unjust and unwise. 4. Men enter masonry of their "own free will and accord." They should be allowed to withdraw in the same way. To compel lodge membership against a man's will is unmasonic. The way to prevent non-affiliates is to deprive them of the rights and privileges of the lodge after a reasonable time for re-affiliation.

The grand master recommended that the grand secretary prepare a "Card History" of the membership of the state. Later \$500 were set aside to begin this work.

THE GRAND ORATOR

Discussed "Who is My Brother?" He dealt some savage blows at the doctrine of man's evolution from the lower animals. The conclusion reached was that we are the sons of God and are all brothers.

Children from the Home were introduced during the recess of the grand lodge and entertained the masons with drills, songs and recitals.

A resolution was presented to authorize the grand master to grant a dispensation to a lodge to confer the first section of the third degree on more than one candidate at the same time. The committee on law and usage reported that this was "not in violation of the landmarks of masonry but would require a constitutional amendment to be lawful." The grand lodge adopted the report. Passing by the question of conflicting with masonic law and immemorial usage, the opinion may be ventured that rush and wholesale work are not conducive to harmony and prosperity in lodges. It is better to be sure, even if a little slow.

A Division of Work.

It was provided in an amendment to the law that the junior warden should prepare himself to confer the entered apprentice degree, the senior warden the fellow craft and that, with the consent of the master, each confer the degrees as named. The following was then added:

Provided, however, that the master may call upon any competent member of his lodge or any present or past master of this or any sister jurisdiction to confer any degree, but no other mason. The master being in full charge of all work in his lodge why attempt to limit the scope of his powers and prerogatives?

THE CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

Comes from the hand of Bro. S. M. Bond. The story is briefly told. Though nearly four months elapsed between the 1910 session of the grand lodge of Illinois and that of Oklahoma for 1911, the review is of our proceedings for 1909. Makes pretty stale reading.

Referring to Grand Master Bell's surprise that lodge officers know so little of masonic law the reviewer savs—

We are of the opinion that if the brethren acquaint themselves thoroughly with the esoteric work that they will have no trouble in taking enough interest to be able to interpret the law sufficiently to meet and settle all ordinary points that might be of a confusing nature to the less informed.

The experience and observation of masons hereabout is that many times masters may be "letter-perfect" in the work and absolutely stupid in the knowledge of the laws, rules and regulations of the fraternity. Possibly in Oklahoma they are of a higher class of intellect.

WE CARE FOR DEPENDENTS FIRST.

The Oklahoman says that he is surprised to learn that "the second largest grand lodge on the American continent" owns no building in which its effects and activities are domiciled. Our brother is advised that in Illinois a needy worthy brother, his wife, his widow and his helpless orphans have come first in our thought. We have two superb Homes, built and maintained solely from the grand lodge treasury. These are sufficient for every needy one among our membership. The expensive luxury of a great building for show in some large city has been avoided. Some day we may erect a modest building in which to house our grand lodge.

THINKS IT FINE.

The correspondent says-

The oration of Bro. Euclid B. Rogers, graud orator, is a splendid production of masonic literature, showing widespread reading, much thought and careful preparation. It contains thoughts that are of exceptional value to the thinking man as well as the casual observer. It shows a thorough understanding of the masonic "Liberal Arts and Sciences."

An extract of nearly a page in length is then given.

Brother Bond is in error when he says that Egypt was "recognized." Only Holland was taken into our family. Egypt could not meet requirements of regularity.

The correspondent says that Brother Cook "is a peer, from his report, in the masonic world and gives abundant proof that Brother Ros-

BINS' mantle has fallen on able shoulders." The report closes with this statement; "Illinois is a big state and does big things and is giving to the masonic world some big men."

Big thanks, Brother Boxp, for the compliment to our state.

Grand master, ALEXIS EDDLEMAN, Marietta; grand secretary, W.M. Anderson, Oklahoma City.

PENNSYLVANIA-1910.

481 Lodges.

134TH ANNUAL,

96,430 MEMBERS.

One of the most comfortable of volumes of proceedings is that of Pennsylvania. There are 489 pages. It is in such excellent type and with so liberal leading that it becomes the delight of the reader. The year showed a gain in membership of 4.314. In every way masonry in this old commonwealth presents evidences of progress. Quarterly sessions of the grand lodge are held in March, June, September and December.

A fine engraving of the Masonic Temple at Philadelphia makes a handsome frontispiece. It was this beautiful structure that set Brother Bell's teeth on edge for a home for the grand lodge of Illinois. Nothing of special outside interest was done at the March, June and September quarterlies.

At the fourth, held December 7, much of the business of the year was transacted. The election of grand officers comes at this time though they are not installed until the annual December 27.

No Mystic Shrine for Them.

The committee on landmarks corresponds closely to our committee on jurisprudence. This committee reported "under the rules and regulations of the grand lodge and the decisions of grand masters, the grand master should refuse to sanction a lease of a portion of the building to the 'Mystic Shrine'—the grand lodge having refused recognition to that order.'

Why should the grand lodge be concerned about orders? If this rule is enforced it should bar the commandery and consistory as well as the shrine. None of these orders is masonic in any other sense than that eligibility for membership requires good standing in a lodge of masons.

GRAND MASTER IN ACCORD.

Decisions of the grand master followed along lines similar to the committee on landmarks. Note these three decisions coming one immediately after the other.

- I. A room in a masonic building must not be rented to the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.
- 2. A masonic lodge in this jurisdiction cannot meet in a room in which the Order of the Eastern Star meets.
- 3. There is no objection to a lodge of Odd Fellows meeting in the same rooms in which a masonic lodge meets, provided all the property, clothing, etc., of the latter is first removed.

If Odd Fellows may meet in a masonic lodge room why may not bodies, all of whom are masons, do likewise?

The committee on landmarks also reported as unmasonic the display of masonic emblems unless the same had the approval of the grand master.

THE MASONIC HOME.

The work goes on rapidly in developing the Masonic Home on their 957-acre tract. Eleven persons are now cared for, all being well along in years. Though pretty late in beginning, it is very evident that Pennsylvania will soon be near the head of the class in caring for masonic dependents.

An oil painting of George Washington, the only copy of the original painted from life by William Williams in 1794, was presented. This valuable picture was the gift of the merchant prince and enthusiastic mason, John Wanamaker, and goes into the masonic museum. Thirteen other presidents were members of the craft and an effort will be made to have a painting of each in the temple museum. While in the picture business, it was provided that each grand master, during the second year of his service, sit for a painting, the cost not to exceed \$1,000, to be paid from the grand lodge treasury.

The annual communication is on St. John's day, December 27, of each year.

The grand lodge charity fund amounted to \$7,600, and was all spent. This went to 720 needy persons, 670 of them being members of Pennsylvania lodges. Only two hailed from Illinois.

THE ADDRESS OF THE GRAND MASTER

Was strictly business. No efforts at flights of oratory were indulged. The grand master urged that officers of lodges be thoroughly instructed in the law as well as in the work. The Ahiman Rezon, corresponding

to our "blue book," was to be made the man of their counsel. This is certainly most desirable but how to bring it about is the vital question. In every state there is woeful lack of familiarity with the laws, rules and usages of the craft. Illinois might with profit add to its superb teaching of the ritual in the schools a department of law and usage.

THOROUGH IN MASONRY.

The grand master quotes this significant paragraph from his predicessor. Brother Orlady,

The district deputy grand masters should make it plain, beyond a possible doubt, that the three symbolic degrees in freemasonry represent an independent, sovereign organization: and that its degrees are not to be indifferently conferred, nor any requisite waived, in order to make them a preparatory service for divergent or secondary bodies or associations.

To this every mason can say "Amen" with great fervency. There are too many half-baked masons who merely want to rush on to something "higher."

SEEKS THE GRANDFATHER CLASS.

There was much discussion by Grand Master Guthrie to prove Pennsylvania masonry older than that of Massachusetts. What difference does it make?

The grand master is quite correct in saying that lists of members of lodges should not be allowed to get into the hands of profanes, that they may be exploited for business and other purposes.

EDICTS AND DECISIONS.

The grand master reported over fifty decisions. Three of these have been already quoted. Not many of the others have more than local interest. One of these forbade a brother advertising or using the Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, as his office or trading place for his personal business.

In another case the grand master reproved a master for withholding an unfavorable report of a committee of inquiry regarding qualifications of a candidate. Secretaries were forbidden to issue any certificate to a chapter of the Eastern Star giving the masonic standing of a member. Evidently the Pennsylvania grand lodge is not boosting the O.E.S.

SALOONS UNDER THE BAN.

Two decisions regarding the surroundings of lodges are as follows: Masonic lodges are not permitted to meet in a building in which intoxicating liquor is sold or dispensed, if the building is called a masonic hall or temple. Masonic lodges are not permitted to hold their meetings in buildings not designated as masonic, in which intoxicating liquor is sold or dispensed; unless no other suitable place of meeting can be secured, and then, only when a separate and exclusive entrance from the street to the lodge rooms is provided.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW OF GRAND LODGES

Was prepared and presented by James M. Lamberton, chairman of the committee on correspondence. For the convenience of reviewers the 244-page report goes ont separate from the proceedings, printed on only one side of the paper. It is easy to clip from this without mutilating matter on the other side of the sheet. Fifty-one grand lodges pass under review. Illinois is well treated in both space and comment.

Brother Ashley's report is commended as "a business-like paper, reporting clearly his labors without undue verbiage." The reviewer says "for the information of our Pennsylvania brethren we quote a special report of the committee on correspondence on the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico." The special Illinois report then is given in full.

The oration is discussed as follows:

The grand orator, Bro. Frank G. Smith, delivered an oration which is characterized as "able, eloquent and profound," which we wish we might have heard, and which is sure to please his Illinois brethren, and also we may add his lowa brethren, for does it not supply five poems?

GUESTS VS. MEMBERS.

Referring to the proper designation of those in the Masonic Homes the correspondent says in Pennsylvania they call them "guests." Does not this imply a transient relation? They are merely visitors. If they are called "members," as we class them in Illinois, they are given an air of permanence. However, "What's in a name?" Much oftentimes.

The Illinois report is referred to in a pleasant vein for which accept thanks.

NOT A ONE MAN OPINION.

Referring to the report of the special committee regarding Mexico the following appears.

Brother Scott quite naturally resents the suggestion of "the domination" of Brother Robbins in the matter of the majority report last year against Valle de Mexico, saying that if Brother Matthews knew the two other past grand masters who joined with him and Brother Robbins in their conclusions, he would "scarcely consider it a one man opinion." We remember Grand Master Bell telling us that, after appointing upon the special committee the chairman of the committee on correspondence. Brother Robbins, and the brother who favored the recognition of Mexico, he selected as the other members three of the ablest past grand

masters in the jurisdiction, without any knowledge of their views or leanings.

Grand master, Geo. W. Guthrie, Philadelphia: grand secretary, WM. A. SINN, Philadelphia, Masonic Temple.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND-1910.

14 Lodges.

35TH ANNUAL.

730 MEMBERS.

Though the annual meeting was held in June, 1910, the proceedings did not reach the reviewer until January 4, 1911. On account of this delay the little grand lodge in Prince Edward Island did not find place in our proceedings of 1910.

SMALL BUT GOOD.

This is the smallest grand lodge in the world there being but four-teen lodges and 730 members. During the year thirty-three members were gained. There are two or three lodges in Illinois that have almost doubled the membership of this island grand body. There are more masons in either Decatur, Springfield or Peoria than in this toy grand lodge. However, size does not always indicate merit. A diamond of a single carat is worth more than a boulder which weighs a ton. Prince Edward masons are of the true quality and in their own field are doing an excellent work.

GRAND MASTER BECOMES GRAND SECRETARY.

An excellent picture of the retiring grand master, W. P. Doull, is given. The grand lodge promoted Brother Doull by making him grand secretary after his retirement from the office of grand master.

"A combined special with the thirty-fifth annual communication" is the way the record begins. There were no further evidences of anything special than the statement quoted. R.W., Samuel Lowf, representative of Illinois, was present and took an active part in the business of the session. The principal business seemed to be the adoption of a new constitution.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Was interesting and instructive. Due attention was given to the death of King Edward. The death of Bro. Joseph Robbins is noted.

The grand master made a house cleaning of representatives of other grand lodges who are seldom or never seen at the meetings. Here is what he says.

Some of these are past masters of long standing, men of keen business acumen and sterling integrity. But while we know them as such the jurisdictions they represent do not, and it is a matter of small compliment to a grand lodge with as many subordinate lodges as we have individual members to be represented by a right worshipful brother who cannot get into this grand lodge once in a dozen years. Some of these I have cut out, and recommended others to whom commissions have been issued. I trust the change, the newly appointed incumbents, will not disappoint us. If they do let the operation be repeated.

Some larger grand lodges might have a similar "scrubbing out" with profit.

WANTS WARM MEMBERS.

'The grand master deprecates the want of social and friendly relations among masons. He says that—

A brother may be painfully accurate in ritual, precise to the smallest scruple in jurisprudence, in business as upright and yet as cold as the stone in yonder cemetery. If a hand is extended at all he gives you the tips of the fingers and you shake them yourself. That brother's apron strings are untied before the master makes the last request of his deacons, and at the final rap of the gavel he is half way out the door. He does not believe in a "bun-feed" as he terms it, and you are half glad he does not.

No Decisions.

It was thought unnecessary to make any formal decisions. He found it proper to instruct a lodge that a by-law or resolution to restrict the constitutional power of the master was "ultra vires" and therefore void. Owing to the small membership the grand master held out no hope of a Masonic Home but urged that ample provision be made to care for those in need. A considerable charity fund proves that they are sincere. This amounts to \$3,153.

KNOW THEY ARE SMALL.

The grand master says—

Territorially (though not numerically) we are the smallest jurisdiction on the face of the earth and being an island we cannot hope to ever have our borders expanded. We are steadily growing in numbers and financial strength but we talk in small figures compared with other grand jurisdictions; yet there are no large jurisdictions where less commercialism is shown, where ritual is more uniform, where higher proficiency is demanded in the candidate's examination, where the constitution is more closely regarded, where the prerogatives of the grand master are so seldom invoked and where the ballot guards more jealously the admission of unworthy material. Think of it, a grand lodge thirty-five years old, that has never had occasion to suspend or expel a single member.

They must be a choice lot or the administration of the law is very lax. It is noted that there are yet twelve members left who were in grand lodge thirty-five years ago. Pretty large number considering the small membership.

DOLLARS AND SENSE.

Although Prince Edward Island is a British province and in man, ways the grand lodge adheres to English customs and methods, yet, it keeps its finances in the American method of using dollars and cents. Pounds, shillings and pence are discarded. This makes largely for the ease and comfort of outsiders on this side of the Atlantic.

In the election of grand officers instead of tellers they appoint "scrutineers" to conduct the balloting. However it appears merely to be a rose by another name.

No REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Is published. The grand master refers to this omission as caused by a want of funds to pay the extra cost. Yet, he thinks if they had the money it could be put to a better use. This may be true. Our Canadian brethren lose much in not having an opportunity to see a resume of the doings of grand lodges the world over. It pays to know what is going on even in masonic circles.

Grand master, William Stewart, Summerside; grand secretary. W. P. Doull, Charlottetown.

QUEBEC—1911.

64 Lodges.

41ST ANNUAL.

6,633 MEMBERS.

A handsome picture of the new grand master, Rev. Frank Charters, graces the opening pages of a very attractive book of some 350 pages, recounting the work of Quebec for one year. Three special communications are recorded, two of these devoted to the burial of distinguished members of their grand lodge and the other a memorial to King Edward of England. The 41st annual was held at Montreal February 8, 1911. The record shows a net increase in membership of 308, indicating a healthy condition notwithstanding adverse surroundings.

R.W. Bro. Channell, representing Illinois, is recorded as present.

Among the first occurrences was the introduction and reception of DANIEL F. MACWATT, grand master of the grand lodge of Ontario.

Mutual felicitations followed and the fraternal relations of the two Canadian grand bodies were more closely cemented.

The grand master in his address notes the death of P.G.M. John M. Pearson of Illinois.

ECCLESIASTS VS. MASONS.

A hint of the struggle ecclesiasticism is making against masonry is seen in the following from the address of the grand master.

The atmosphere of this province, during the past twenty-four months, has been more than usually superheated with venomous and immoderate attacks upon freemasonry; attacks which deliberately confound the freemasonry practiced by ourselves and that spurious imitation which derives its inspiration from the agnosticism or atheism of the grand orient of France. These attacks we bear in dignified silence—knowing that they are false; we may be temporarily ruffled and annoyed, but we comfort ourselves with the assurance that in due time our justification will be complete.

It is my earnest conviction, brethren, that this is not enough. I see in these slanders a challenge—a challenge to the faith which is in us—a challenge to make good our assertion that practical charity is an essential feature of freemasonry—a challenge to double and treble our benevolent and charitable energies so that we may send back a ringing reply which friend and foe alike may understand.

The wisdom of such a reply to malicious attacks on the fraternity is most apparent.

BITTER OPPOSITION.

Again the grand master savs—

The religious fervor, induced by the approach of a world-noted ecclesiastical event occurring in Montreal in September last, naturally intensified the conflict between the local authorities of the church immediately concerned and the members of the body known as the "Emancipation Lodge," alleged to be anti-clerical in its aims and tendencies. There were charges of plots and counter-plots, a civic investigation, judicial intervention; in one phase of the matter, it is still before the courts. With all of this we have no immediate concern; nevertheless we are indirectly interested.

"Emancipation Lodge," above referred to, was established in 1897 by the Grand Orient of France. Yet, there are those who find fault because this French grand body is out-lawed by regular masonic grand lodges. Notwithstanding this violent and vindictive opposition it is shown that lodge membership has increased twenty-two per cent in Quebec, while in Canada and the United States it was only eighteen per cent.

Some Dispensations

Were granted. Eight of these were "to wear regalia at lodge socials or 'at homes.'" The propriety of members wearing masonic collars, jewels or aprons at a social evening is hard to see. These should be

confined strictly to the tyled apartments of the lodge. Many dispensations were declined.

Five hospital beds are maintained for the free use of needy worthy brothers. These are supported from the "Benevolent Fund" of the grand lodge.

The committee on the "state of masonry" reported that "there is not a discordant note from one end of the province to the other, that peace, harmony and good will appear to prevail in all lodges."

THE ORATION

Was by the grand chaplain, Rev. and R.W. Bro. J. G. HINDLEY. His subject was "The Emancipating Function of Masonry." He found that masonry frees its members from provincialism, from commercialism and from materialism. Its good effects are in the ratio of its power to do this.

They do things differently in Quebec. Our grand master appoints all standing committees while in this Canadian grand lodge the committeemen are presented by a nominating committee and the report approved by the grand lodge.

WANT MORE SPANGLES.

Lodges were instructed to use aprons and collars without further ornamentation than that prescribed by the grand lodge. Judging by pictures these are amply adorned. In Illinois we use the lamb skin or white apron without the addition of emblems or ornaments. The pure white badge of a mason, unadorned is adorned the most.

THE REVIEWER'S REPORT

Is from the hand of P.G.M. Chambers. It is a most valuable and readable review of the doings of grand lodges. The writer says that the proceedings of Illinois for 1910 is a handsome volume of over 600 pages. It is "a collection of four or five different books or reports with as many different paginations, bound together." That word "paginations" made a visit to the International dictionary necessary. But it is there. Brother Ashley's congratulation upon the size of Illinois and its attitude of harmony were justified. The late John M. Pearson, P.G.M., is referred to as "a giant among his peers in masonry." The attitude of our grand lodge toward Mexico and Egypt was approved.

"A very choice and beautiful oration was delivered by R.W. Bro. Frank G. Smith" is the comment.

THERE WAS AN ERROR.

The correspondent says that-

Past Grand Master Owen Scott has admirably reviewed the volumes of proceedings of the various grand lodges that reached him, and his comments, as was to have been expected from one who has been a ruler of the craft are as a rule calm and judicious.

Then attention is called to an error made one year ago in saying that grand lodge of Quebec elects officers on report of a nominating committee. Gladly is the error acknowledged. It further appears that Quebec "is even much more democratic than Illinois in the selection of its working committees." These are elected in Quebec and appointed in Illinois. The nominating committee applies only to the selection of committees and not to grand officers. This correction is willingly made.

IN HIS CONCLUSION

Our good brother expresses his opinion that making masons at sight is, and always has been, the prerogative of grand masters.

He also thinks that grand lodges have taken absurd positions in the "new-fangled legislation on the liquor question."

NEED AN AUTHORIZED RECEIPT.

Brother Chambers thinks necessary some form of receipt containing a certificate of the regularity of the lodge under the new demands of documentary evidence. He then adds—

It has consequently been found necessary by a large number of American grand lodges to have their grand secretaries furnish subordinate lodges with forms of receipts for dues, on the back of which is the signature in fac simile of the grand secretary and also a fac simile of the grand lodge seal, attesting that the lodge in question is one of the legitimate subordinates of the grand lodge.

Almost one-half of the American grand lodges now demand written evidence of good standing and lodge regularity. Such receipts as are indicated would probably be of great service.

Grand master, Frank Charters, Montreal; grand secretary, Will H. Whyte, Montreal.

QUEENSLAND—1910.

57 Lodges.

65TH ANNUAL.

1,850 Members. (Estimated.)

The peculiar manner in which the proceedings of this far-off grand lodge are recorded makes it quite difficult to keep from repeating various items of interest in review. The methods of business are strictly English. The small book presented for review contains the doings at many different meetings. A special in August, 1909, at Brisbane, had about 400 in attendance.

The meeting was interspersed with the singing of hymns and the words of these are printed in full. The grand officers of New South Wales made a fraternal call and were cordially received. Speeches were made and all were edified by being present.

WHAT THEY HAVE DONE.

In his address the grand master gives this hopeful view of their achievements.

I think it well to record here the work accomplished by our grand lodge since its birth in the year 1904. We started with thirty-nine lodges and 1,325 members. We now number fifty-six lodges, and about 2,000 members. We have received recognition from forty-two sister grand lodges, of whom thirty-six are from English speaking countries, and hence from our own kith and kin. There are only seventy recognized grand lodges in the world, so we have the right hand of fellowship extended to us by more than one-half that number. Our benevolent fund approximates £1,000. We have disbursed £550 in charity, of which about half has gone to brethren of other constitutions.

Holds them Down.

At a special in September, 1909, the grand master put a quietus on initiating candidates on the same night the ballot is taken. In stating his view he says "that he had known the unexpected to happen when a candidate, instead of being called in for initiation, had to be told of his rejection." He also refused to countenance the admission of some son of a distinguished father, the son being under twenty-one years of age.

In May, 1910, a lodge of sorrow was held at Brisbane, in memory of King Edward. A special funeral service was prepared and the same appears in full in the proceedings. A fine tribute was paid to the late king and past grand master of England in the oration by the grand master.

The report covers all work done including the quarterly held June 13, 1910.

Nothing further of outside interest appears. No report on correspondence is presented.

Grand master, A. M. Hertzberg; grand secretary, Chas. H. Hartley, Brisbane.

RHODE ISLAND-1910.

37 Lodges.

120TH ANNUAL.

7,464 MEMBERS.

The little state with the big name is Rhode Island. Think of it! Only 1,306 square miles of territory and yet its name is "the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations." The name of its masonic grand lodge is even greater still-"The grand lodge of the most ancient and honorable society of free and accepted masons for the state of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations." It takes twenty-four words. Suppose the vast dominion of Texas should take a notion to expand its name so that it would equal "Little Rhody" in proportion to its geographical area. There would be some name to be mastered. However, the little state of Yankee land in proportion to area has a very large masonic membership. Illinois has enough territory to make forty-three Rhode Islands. Our membership is 102,000. That of the little state is about 7,500. This would give them about 322,000 masons if they were as big as Illinois and had the same ratio of membership as at present. Their gain last year was 315, though the number of lodges remains the same.

More than a Century.

The book of proceedings of the 120th annual meeting is an interesting volume. It records a semi-annual and the annual held June 24, 1910.

The full page picture of Stephan Magown, retiring grand master, indicates a strong and attractive personality.

The semi-annual meeting held in November, 1909, is principally concerned with the results of the "Philadelphia Conference." The recommendations are reported by the grand master. It appears later, however, that few of these, where they changed Rhode Island law, were adopted. In most respects there was little need of change to conform to the re-

sults of the conference. The five-year rule, regarding rejected material, was already in force.

PICTURE SHOWS PROHIBITED.

The grand master found it necessary "to forbid the use of stereopticons in the ceremonies of the degrees and the use of vestments." The Rhode Island grand lodge sensibly believes that masonic truth as taught in the several degrees "unadorned is adorned the most."

NO MANIPULATION PERMITTED.

The following paragraph is significant of a healthy sentiment against juggling for honors.

The action of the M.W. grand master in refusing to permit or order an election to fill the vacancy in the office of master of the lodge created during the masonic year of that lodge in order that the senior warden might be advanced to a position which would give him permanent membership in the grand lodge, because of his expressed decision not to accept an election to that office at the next succeeding annual communication, commends itself most thoroughly to the members of the committee, and for reasons too obvious to require mention, will equally commend itself to the members of the grand lodge.

And it did.

Only three decisions are reported and these are not of enough outside importance to require notice.

JUST IN TIME.

At the semi-annual meeting in November, 1909, attention was called to the long continued and eminent services to the craft of Rev. Dr. Henry W. Rugg. He had completed his fortieth year of faithful service of the grand lodge. It was voted to give to Brother Rugg a gratuity of \$500, not as compensation but as an appreciation of his forty years of service. Brother Rugg was then the deputy grand master and at the annual meeting, held May 16, 1910, was elected and installed as grand master.

On July 21, two months later, the silent reaper came to garner the ripened sheaf and Brother Rugg, full of service and honors, was called to "eternal refreshment beyond the river. At the Triennial Conclave of Knights Templar at Saratoga, N. Y., in 1907, Brother Rugg was elected for three years as Most Eminent Grand Master. At his death, at 77, he was in the harness as grand master of Rhode Island and general grand master of Knights Templar of the United States.

The death of P.G.M. George H. Kenyon is noted.

THEY STICK.

The report of the grand secretary gives some interesting figures. During the year there were 112 deaths. Only twenty-five dimits were taken, less than one for each lodge. More remarkable still is the fact that only twenty-eight were dropped from the roll for non-payment of dues and only one was suspended for cause. If other states could find the Rhode Island way to cork up the leakage by failure to pay dues, the growth of membership would be greatly enhanced.

HURRY HIM IN.

One rather peculiar custom of the Rhode Island grand lodge is to elect the grand master and immediately install him. This is done with much eclic and ceremony. A committee goes out to surprise the waiting grand master elect and bring him in to ascertain if he will accept. Of course he is overcome with the news of the honor so suddenly thrust upon him and blushingly accepts. After his induction into office other grand officers are elected and installed.

Bro. Newton D. Arnold, representing the grand lodge of Illinois, was recorded as present.

RECOGNITION OF OTHER GRAND LODGES.

Great care and caution in assuming fraternal relations with other grand bodies are evident in looking over the list with which Rhode Island is in fraternal correspondence. The tally with Illinois is perfect except in one instance. A cog must have slipped when Costa Rica went in. It is even worse than Valle de Mexico which is conspicuous by its absence from the Rhode Island list.

No report on correspondence is given and the proceedings require only 114 pages to tell the story of the year.

Grand master (acting), James B. Gay, Providence; grand secretary, S. Penrose Williams, Providence.

SCOTLAND-1910-11.

752 Leiges.

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One of the extremely difficult tasks of the writer has been to extract from the mass of names and figures sent out by the grand large of Scotland as its "proceedings" anything of interest to the grand large of Scotland as its "proceedings" anything of interest to the grand large. Divitiess this method of golding has satisfactory to our Scotlish brethren or it would not be continued from year to year. The grand large of Scotland is venerable with age and commands universal respect by massns, the world around, on account of the sturdy excellence of the stalwart manhoul of its membership.

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From its "list of provinces, with ledges therein" it is seen that these under direct supervision of grand ledge" are to be from in almost every part of the habitable globe. In India there are 55 ledges in Queensland 84 and other provinces in Australasia 28. In South Africa, Hawaiian islands, West Indies, Newfoundiand, South America China, Japan, Egypt, Syria and in fact in almost every country 101 South has established and upheld the banner of freemasonry. The grand ledge meets in quarterly communications in February, May, August and November, On November 30 the officers are installed and the great feast of St. Andrew is celebrated. This is the red letter coasi in of South masonry in each year. At the quarterly meeting August, 1410 in the absence of the "grand master mason." Sir Chastas Datautifus, F. 2011, was "on the throne." There was a full corps of officers and representatives present. There are printed pages full of names of those who presented "applogues for alsence."

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Reference is made to the grand ledge of Queens'and and resolutions adopted whereby the interests of those ledges who in not desire or who do not feel themselves justified in relining the new ledge might be safeguarded. It strikes an outsider that Scotland's grand ledge would relieve itself of some anxiety and promote harmony and good feeling by urging all ledges in Queensland under its of elience to then-tify themselves with the grand ledge of their two country.

The "grand committee" by a unanimous wate recommensed the grand lodge to re-elect the grand master for the ensuing year. As a number in Illinois, grand or otherwise, would discover itself most lonely if it

should attempt to influence the election or re-election of a grand master. But we are not Scotch.

The report of the Annuity Board shows a large number of persons receiving the gratuities of the grand lodge. These run from \$50 to \$125 per year for each person. At the quarterly communication held at Edinburgh in November the grand master, The Marquess of Tullabardine, was "on the throne." The annual on November 30 was for the installation of grand "office bearers." Unfortunately the grand master could not be present. The installation proceeded without him. In this jurisdiction the installation of other grand officers must follow the installation of the grand master. The same rule prevails in the lodge. The master must be installed first.

THE "FESTIVAL OF ST. ANDREW"

Followed as the chief feature of the occasion and the year. Toasts and speeches were the order of the day. Toasts to "The King," and "The Queen, Queen Alexandra, the Prince of Wales, the grand master mason of England and the other members of the royal family" were proposed and met hearty response. Other toasts were "The naval and military forces of the empire," "The grand lodge of Scotland," "The past grand masters," "The daughter lodges," etc. These all met eloquent response. A pamphlet of 175 pages was received May 20 bearing the title "Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Scotland from February, 1911, to January, 1912.' Wondering how proceedings which had not "proceeded" could be reported, the reviewer looked into the booklet and found that it contained announcements only for 1911 and 1912 and the doings of the quarterly held February, 1911.

Grand Master Tullabardine being present was duly installed as he could not attend at the annual communication on St. Andrew's Day. At this meeting the grand committee of sixteen was elected. This is the committee which transacts most of the business of the grand lodge and reports it for approval.

Notice was given of a motion to be made at the next meeting that the "grand lodge do not provide or pay for luncheon to the hall committee." They preferred to eat at the expense of the grand lodge and the notice was "tabled."

Certain regalia was presented by the King of England. It had been the property of the late King EDWARD and came to the grand lodge of Scotland to be kept as a memorial of the late ruler and distinguished freemason.

PREVIOUS QUESTION ALLOWED.

Little was done at the quarterly communication held May 4, 1911, to challenge outside attention and interest. From the proceedings it appears that a motion for the previous question on a pending matter of business was entertained and carried. The effect of this motion is to prohibit discussion. It is sometimes considered in the nature of "gag rule" in parliamentary bodies. In Illinois this motion is looked upon as unmasonic and is always ruled out of order. Each brother is free to discuss any matter pending before the grand lodge or any constituent lodge.

A special communication held in April to lay the memorial or corner stone of "Freemason's Hall Edinburgh" Lord Ampthill, pro grand master of England, was by unanimous vote made honorary grand master. The grand master called attention to the singular conicidence that just fifty years before his grandfather had laid the corner stone of Freemason's Hall on the same spot. He also noted that there were present four brethren who had been in attendance a half-century before. Many toasts and speeches graced the festive occasion.

Grand master mason, The Marquess of Tullibardine; grand secretary, David Reid, Edinburgh, 46 Charlotte Square.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA—1911.

61 Lodges.

27TH ANNUAL.

4,119 MEMBERS

An attractive volume of 184 pages recites the doings of the annual communication of this Australian grand lodge, together with a number of specials and a semi-annual. The rugged, forceful face of Grand Master Way appears early in the book. He was grand master from 1884 to 1889 and then from 1896 to 1911. Brother Way still carries a full paragraph of titles of distinction but in spite of these he appears to be a most excellent officer of the craft.

May 22, 1910, a grand lodge of sorrow was held to do honor to King Edward. The exercises were imposing and elaborate.

The half-yearly communication was held October 19, 1910. At this the representative of Illinois is recorded as present.

The death of Robert K. Thomas, deputy grand master, was reported. Bro. Frank E. Cornish was elected and installed as his successor.

REQUIRES AN ASSISTANT.

The grand master informed the grand lodge that owing to the increase in his judicial duties, he had been unable to visit lodges as he desired. He, therefore, announced the appointment of Eustace B. Grundy, as pro grand master. On him he placed much of the work devolving on the grand master.

The annual was held April 19, 1911, at Adelaide. Illinois was again represented. R.W. Bro. A. C. McCallum, S.G.W. of Western Australia, was present as a visitor.

For the first time in its history all the lodges were reported as having paid grand lodge dues. With about 800 lodges and over 100,000 members this condition has existed in Illinois for many years. It is easier to get sixty-one lodges to pay up than 800.

AN OLD BOOK WITH ANOTHER NAME.

They do not obligate their candidates on the Bible but the "volume of the sacred law." However, these books when put together look much alike. Catching the sanitary spirit of the age, it was thought inadvisable to use the same book for different candidates. They might become infected. For this reason lodges are enjoined to present a new "V. S. L." (volume of the sacred law) to each candidate to be retained as his own. There is little sanitary reason for such a provision, but there is much of beauty in the suggestion that each brother possess the bible on which he takes his yows.

It is stated that out of forty-nine lodges outside of the city, twenty-seven of them own the buildings in which they meet. This shows a substantial condition

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

The committee on correspondence consists of ten members. The review of grand lodges is written by various members of the committee. The initials of the writer of each review are appended. Illinois is written by Bro. C. D. HARRIS and consists of one page. He says that—

The reports of proceedings are contained in a well printed volume of over 600 pages, the grand master's address being replete with valuable suggestions and is in every way of interest to masons generally.

He further says-

It is gratifying to read that two masonic homes (one for orphans) have been conducted satisfactorily, and further, that a new building for

the orphans is about to be erected at a cost of nearly £25,000; from this it is evident that this powerful lodge does not neglect the poor and needy.

Of the Illinois report on correspondence for 1910 Brother Harris says—

In "Masonic Correspondence" two pages are devoted to South Australia, and the numerous titles held by our own esteemed grand master are referred to in facetious terms, but we can assure our brethren of Illinois that our worthy grand master can easily carry the load and is not at all "sway-backed." We do not necessarily choose "high officials," but get the very best material for that high office, irrespective of rank or position. Moreover, the grand master had no titles at the time of his first election to the post.

The election of Brother Way before he was loaded down with honors and titles shows that mere station sometimes may be put aside for merit. Yet, it may be ventured that there are many brethren in South Australia as capable as the distinguished jurist who is compelled to name a "pro grand master" to do the work. Without being "facetious" the view is held by many sensible men and masons, that it becomes almost silly to load a man down with such a burden as the following;

"Grand master—M.W. Bro. His Excellency, the Right Hon. Sir Samuel J. Way, Bart, P.C., D.C.L., Ll.D., Lieutenant Governor, Chief Justice of South Australia, Chancellor of the University of Adelaide. &c, &c." This is *verbatim* as it appears in the proceedings more than once. Evidently they ran out of type or the "&c, &c" would have been printed in full. A grand master needs no such trappings of toadyism to make him great. The quiet dignity of his great office is not enhanced by civic or royal titles.

Grand master, Samuel J. Way, Adelaide; grand secretary, C. R. J. Glover, Adelaide.

SOUTH CAROLINA-1910.

232 Lodges.

134TH ANNUAL.

13,171 MEMBERS.

The annual session was held at Columbia, December 13 and 14. There was a great improvement in the time in which the proceedings came to the table of this reviewer. Last year it was September 1 before they arrived. In 1911 they came April 16, being four months after the meeting. However, few grand secretaries are as swift in getting

the proceedings out as Brother Cutter. It takes a book of 440 pages to preserve the record of the year's work. Of this 260 pages are given to the report on correspondence.

The representative of Illinois, Bro. John F. Ficken, was present to guard our interests. Of past grand masters there were six present.

The brethren of Columbia extended to the grand lodge an invitation to an "oyster roast" at the Isle of Palms at the close of the grand lodge session.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Was a lengthy and highly interesting document. He gives the following quotation but does not name the author. He says that—

We are members of a "great brotherhood whose origin is lost in a forgotten past; whose traditions come to us hallowed by the mists of years; whose ritual, ideal in sentiment and eloquent in diction, is written in every civilized language; whose ancient customs, usages and landmarks are familiar the round world over; whose principles of truth and justice and charity, of that righteousness which fears God and regards man, are the consummate ethical wisdom of the ages."

The session opens with the minor chord dominant. During the year the gaunt messenger of death has carried away two of the elective grand officers. First, was the grand treasurer, Bro. ZIMMERMAN DAVIS, who had served faithfully for twenty-five years. Then came the death of P.G.M. and Grand Secretary Bro. Jacob T. Barron. He had served most efficiently for five years. The death of P.G.M. John M. Pearson of Illinois, is noted.

PHYSICAL QUALIFICATIONS.

This subject has long been the source of much confusion and embarrassment to South Carolina masons. Grand Master Johnson suggested a provision in substantial agreement with Illinois law on this subject. There was much debate and a variety of expressions running all the way from opinions to landmarks, but nothing was done to settle the vexed question. A new amendment goes over for next year's consideration. Many of the grand master's decisions involved the varied phases of physical imperfection.

TAKE THEM IN BUNCHES.

The grand master was prolific in dispensations to receive flocks of candidates. These classes ran in numbers variously from five to ten. The good old way of one at a time will produce best results in the long run. There were, be it said, many requests for dispensations refused. In one case a traveling salesman wanted the lodge to ballot on his petition the night it was received and, "if elected, to confer the three de-

grees without waiting for one month to elapse between conferring degrees. Why not try the Ohio-Taft plan and make him a mason at sight? No doubt he was a good fellow and would have been ornamental to the lodge, but had his wish been granted he would have known nothing of masonry. Perhaps he wanted to push on into the higher (?) degrees. Fortunately, the grand master threw the de-rail and ditched this proposed limited masonic express.

The plan of sending "begging letters" to lodges was for the most part prohibited by the grand master. Only two cases out of many were permitted.

DECISIONS IN PLENTY.

There were thirty-six rulings not including "special matters." These filled twenty pages of the proceedings. The committee on distribution referred this volume of decisions to the committee on jurisprudence. To make sure that no mistake would be made as to the matter referred, the entire list was reprinted at the expense of fifteen pages of the proceedings, set in a little smaller type.

Few of these opinions of the grand master do more than interpret South Carolina laws. In No. 9 it is held that at a trial the counsel assisting the junior warden must retire when ballot is taken on the charges, though the prosecuting officer, the J.W., may remain. Why so?

In No. 12 it was held that a dimitted mason could "visit a lodge but once and then only for the ultimate purpose of re-affiliation." This drastic rule appears to apply only to the lodge from which the brother has withdrawn.

In No. 18 it was decided that a minister who refused to "swear" but was willing to "affirm" could not be received. He must "swear" or stay out.

KEEPS THE BARS UP.

No. 25 and its answer are as follows;

Question: "Is it possible for a South Carolina mason to visit a lodge in Panama working under the Scottish rite, but not having a charter from any grand lodge? Some members from Kentucky and Arkansas consider it not right; those in New York say that it is right."

Answer: If the lodge is not under a charter from any grand lodge with which we are in fraternal relationship, it is wrong to visit such a lodge; the question as to whether it is working under the Scottish or York rites, makes no difference.

Ouite correct. There must be some standards of regularity.

The life membership question breaks out in No. 30. The grand lodge held that life members could not be required to pay grand lodge

dues. If they had secured a place in the privileged class, they were exempt from all charges. Other members of the lodge must pay for them to the grand lodge. Illinois, long since, solved the life membership question by cutting its tail off just behind the ears. Since then there has been no trouble. Try it, South Carolina, and see if you won't like it.

In another decision the grand master held "that an unfavorable report of the committee on the applicant's petition rejects the candidate and there should be no balloting." How could the record be made to show a rejection when there had only been a committee appointed to investigate and report on the candidate's fitness for the degrees in masonry? This makes the committee jury, judge and all. Surely there should be action by the lodge.

A MASONIC HOME.

Quoting, "They serve God well, who serve his creatures." the grand master reports substantial progress toward the establishment of a home for worthy distressed master masons, their wives, widows and orphans. The fund for this purpose is over \$45,000 and growing rapidly. It has taken our brethren of this grand old southern commonwealth 134 years to reach the choicest fruits of the tree of fraternity but it is almost ready to put out its hand for the blessings of helping the dependent and help-less.

BOOSTS O.E.S.

The grand master accorded Brother Outz the privilege of making an address on the Eastern Star. This was an elaborate and exhaustive presentation of the history, principles and achievements of the large and growing organization founded by Rob Morris as an adjunct to masonry. He says that there are more than a half million in its membership.

In devotion to the work of the session South Carolina can give Illinois some valuable points. On Tuesday night the meeting was continued until I o'clock a. m. In our grand lodge, we begin at 9 a. m. and are impatient if we do not finish the day at 1:30 p. m.

The editor of a masonic paper published in Florida was given opportunity to present the claims of his paper. At the conclusion the grand lodge passed the following stinging resolution.

"Resolved. That this matter be left entirely to the individual mason." Where was it before?

Eighteen district deputy grand masters are provided. These were installed the same as the grand officers. Owing to courtesy accorded

them the S.G.W, appoints two junior grand deacons. How could two be junior? The J.G.W. names two grand stewards.

CORRESPONDENCE REPORT.

Owing to the illness and death of the correspondent, P.G.M. and Grand Secretary Jacob T. Barron, P.G.M. J. L. Michie was called upon to write the review of grand lodges. He quotes Brother Cook's opening paragraph regarding Brother Robbins, and says "these words of Brother Cook explain my position better than I could myself. Our cases are exactly similar." In each the correspondent selected his own successor to be ratified by the grand master. Brother Michie presents an able and comprehensive report covering 260 printed pages.

The fact is quite evident that our brother writes to other reviewers rather than for his own grand lodge. He says "Brethren of the Round Table," I present you my first born, craving from you all the indulgence we always extend to a fond father who exploits the wonderful achievements of his infant progeny." If the matter in Brother Michie's report gave needed information to the brethren of his own state it would make little difference what the group about the "Round Table" (whatever that may be) thought of his first or second born.

ABOUT ILLINOIS.

Four pages are devoted to a review of our proceedings of 1909. He notes the presence of Bro. Elmer E. Beach, representative of South Carolina. It is most evident that Brother Bell made a home-run hit with Brother Michie at Philadelphia. As evidence read the following;

A portrait of the grand master greets us as we open this large volume. We spent one whole afternoon with Brother Bell in Philadelphia. Together we visited the navy yard, and the two first officers to bid us welcome on board the "Kansas" came from Illinois and South Carolina. respectively. Brother Bell was second to none at Philadelphia and Baltimore, and the brethren of Illinois honored themselves when they elected him as their grand master.

His masterly address covers forty pages of small type, and shows the scholar and deep thinker.

He says further that "Grand Orator Bro. EUCLID B. ROGERS delivered the annual oration, his subject being 'The World Growing Better.' We would like to quote largely from it but space forbids."

Brother Cook's Report.

Of the report on correspondence he summarizes as follows:

"Brother Cook's first effort shows the work of a master's hand. It is one of the most complete we have seen and we have spent hours over it."

Attention being called to the fact that in South Carolina the grand lodge is opened on the first degree to lay corner stones and on the third at the annual communication, the correspondent explains as follows;

We open on the first degree when we lay a corner stone to permit entered apprentices and fellow crafts to participate in the ceremony. The ceremony observed at opening our grand lodge is only very slightly different from that used in opening a subordinate lodge, whether on the first or third degree.

Why open on any degree at any public function? Simply declare the grand lodge open and proceed as we do in Illinois.

Grand master, James R. Johnson, Charleston; grand secretary, O. Frank Hart, Columbia.

SOUTH DAKOTA-1911.

128 Lodges.

37TH ANNUAL.

8.001 MEMBERS.

The proceedings of this grand lodge disclose a busy and a prosperous year. There is a gain in membership of 597. The annual meeting was held at Chamberlain, June 13 and 14, 1911. The proceedings are prefaced with an excellent, full-page picture of the retiring grand master, Samuel S. Lockhart. A short biographical sketch comes next. Brief welcome was spoken by Bro. Francis K. Berry, mayor of Chamberlain, to which P.G.M., O. S. Gifford fittingly responded. Brother Gifford is the representative of Illinois. These "hearty welcomes" are the penalty paid in passing the grand lodge around.

The grand master indulges in a brief poem in introducing his annual address. After that he is as prosy as the minute details of the year's work demand.

The death messenger had a busy year. Three past grand masters answered his call. These were William C. Allen, Henry H. Blair and Frederick H. Files.

Pursuant to action in 1910 the grand master completed fraternal connection with ten new grand bodies. Eight of these were German. The other two were Denmark and Sweden.

Wise Discrimination.

Grand Master Lockhart used his power of dispensation sparingly, allowing the law to run its regular course. He refused all appeals for

permission to confer degrees out of time except one. For this there was ample reason.

Regarding another common class of applicants he shut the door good and tight. He says that—

I refused to grant all applications for dispensations to accept petitions and confer degrees on candidates before they had resided the required time within the jurisdiction of the lodge. This class of applications comes principally from the new lodges who seem to be over anxious to do work or increase their membership. I have tried to impress on such lodges that a good candidate would keep three or four months longer, while a poor one would not; hence, there was no hurry. A candidate who is not willing to wait, and will not bear one year's acquaintance is not worth having. We don't want him.

Many rulings were called for in a flood of correspondence. He thinks when the new digest of decisions is issued there will be little reason for so many letters asking information regarding the law.

PROPER USE OF LODGE FUNDS.

He received a curious question, as follows;

Will you please give me your opinion as to whether this lodge has the right to vote out of its treasury the sum of three hundred dollars to pay for sick and funeral expenses of a man who has not been a Mason in good standing for a period of from fifteen to twenty years, possibly more, and who has never visited this lodge, and we have been mable to find any of his lodge record, but who claimed to have been made in Scotland, and who for the last ten or fifteen years has lived a life of drunkenness and profligacy?

The marvelous answer was "Yes, but it ought not to." Most wisely the committee on jurisprudence added to his answer the following; "What a lodge ought not to do in this connection is unmasonic." From this, the youngest entered apprentice would know that such use of sacred money, paid in for masonic purposes only, could not be made legally. Certainly a grand master ought to see the masonic miscarriage involved in such appropriation of lodge funds.

SOUND RULES.

The grand master lays down some excellent rules regarding physical qualifications of candidates. One of these is as follows;

A particular lodge, and not the grand master, must be the judge of the moral, intellectual and physical qualification of a candidate, the lodge being responsible, however, to the grand lodge for the abuse of this privilege.

South Dakota has a "imiversal receipt for dues with the grand lodge certificate upon the back." This is fast becoming the recognized "documentary evidence" required by grand lodges.

A valuable oration was delivered by Bro. M. F. Montgomery, grand orator. Among the many choice things he said is the following;

Masters and builders, the age is looking to you to answer and solve the grievous problem and clammering issues, which confront us today. You have the key to the solution, but before the key will work many masons must revise their notions as to what constitutes masonry. Masonry is the cultivation of a life in tune with the Infinite, a life in harmony with the Divine. Of this, a history cannot be given. For it begins with Tubal-Cain. It wrestles with Jacob at Peniel, it surrounds Moses on Horeb in the glow and heat of a burning bush. It guides the Magi from the star-lit nights of India to the Holy Temple on Mt. Moriah.

GREETINGS TO O.E.S.

The grand lodge by vote provided that a committee of three be appointed "to convey to the Order of Eastern Star the fraternal greetings of this grand lodge." The grand chapter being then in session the committee performed its duty as directed. Later, while at refreshment, the Eastern Star committee appeared to return the compliments of the ladies. This delegation consisted of all the past grand matrons in the city, headed by Mrs. M. Alice Miller, most worthy grand matron O.E.S. of the world. The speeches were cordial and full of good fellowship. It is evident that the grand lodge of South Dakota is quite "chumny" with this "organization composed of the noblest and best women of the state."

The Brown family is much in evidence in this Dakota. One committee consisted of S. A. Brown, F. A. Brown and Marshall R. Brown, the first two being past grand masters. It was exclusively a Brown committee and its report was "done up brown." Even the official printers partake of the peculiar color designated. The firm is Brown & Safnger.

On recommendation of the committee on jurisprudence it was decided "that hereafter no brother shall serve more than three years in any elective office, except that of grand secretary."

A page picture of the South Dakota past grand master's jewel shows it to be almost exactly like that of Illinois.

THE REVIEW OF GRAND LODGES

Is made by P.G.M. Samuel A. Brown. The report is well presented. It has one novel feature. The review of each state is accompanied by a small picture of the grand secretary in the upper left-hand corner of the heading. Where the reviewer was unable to procure the picture, he places the name of the grand secretary in a neat printer's "box."

In the case of Brother CUTTER there was some mistake. There must have been some other man in the case. The picture presented is

that of our genial grand secretary because it says underneath, "ISAAC CUTTER, grand secretary." There is no other feature that would in any way disclose his identity. It looks more like a college professor with some symptoms of a Methodist bishop than our Illinois grand scribe. Brother CUTTER is not yet eligible to membership in the ancient and honorable society of bald heads. This base counterfeit presents him as clear of hair as a billiard ball. However, Brother CUTTER can write and apologize.

A typographical error makes our grand master, Albert T. Ashley. It should not B. so.

Brother Brown refers to the decision of the grand lodge of Illinois that an amendment that goes over a year cannot be amended without again lying over. He says this "seems to be true, albeit academical." If true, does the flavor of the "academy" change the necessity of requiring that any modification of the law be postponed that all may know what is the proposed change?

Brother Brown says—"Brother Scott upholds Brother Bell in his screed against those lodges which wish to follow the immemorial usage of attending church in lodge formation." "Immemorial?" Where? Since when? Until very recent years masonic lodges never were known to don apron and collar to make a show of themselves by going to church in a body. Many grand lodges are with Illinois in requiring their constituents to conform to the masonic principle of appearing in public only in the discharge of a masonic duty. Brother Bell's "screed" was quite correct and is upheld by the grand lodge of Illinois.

Grand master, Charles L. Brockway, Chamberlain; grand secretary, Geo. A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls.

TENNESSEE-1911.

444 LODGES.

O7TH ANNUAL.

24.802 MEMBERS.

It takes 289 pages to tell the Tennessee masonic story for the year of 1910. Something most unusual is recorded. The grand lodge convened January 25 in its 97th annual communication. After the formal opening Grand Master Byrn called from labor to refreshment until March 8, 1911, at which time the record shows that the grand lodge was called from refreshment to labor. This is a pretty long period of re-

freshment but appears to have met general approval in Tennessee. The postponement was to enable the grand lodge to meet in, and dedicate its own building in Nashville, where it finds a permanent home hereafter.

THE DEDICATION

Took place while the grand lodge was at refreshment during the first afternoon of the session. The ceremonies were quite elaborate. The building is the joint property of the grand lodge and the grand chapter, R.A.M. Both the grand master and grand high priest were participants. A rather questionable number on the program was the singing of "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" by the grand lodge. It is not said how heartily the Jewish brethren joined in singing this old classic of the *Christians*. A most interesting feature was the music of the children from the Home. Stirring addresses were made by the grand master and grand high priest.

AMERICUS V. WARR, representative of Illinois, was present at the session.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Deals largely with facts and figures. He does not indulge in fanciful writing or attempts at rhetoric. It is a readable business document. His first effort was to secure individual gifts to the Home endowment fund. A series of letters to masters of lodges brought in over \$6,000. The death of P.G.M. John C. Smith is recorded. He also notes the passing away of Bro. John M. Pearson, of Illinois.

DISPENSATIONS WISELY ISSUED.

Most dispensations issued were for installation of officers. Would not a little more flexibility of the law save much time and trouble to lodges and grand master in installing officers? Refusals of dispensations were most righteous. These were to permit a lodge to examine a candidate and ballot on same at a called meeting. It is assumed that the law requires a vote for advancament to each degree. In Illinois one ballot suffices for the three degrees. One request was to dedicate a Baptist church. No doubt the grand master felt that the Baptists would object to having their church dedicated to the aims and purposes of freemasoury however excellent these might be. Masons, being a building fraternity, can lay corner stones of churches and other public buildings when requested, but the only subjects for masonic dedication are structures for use of the eraft.

Another lodge wanted to form a procession and march to the cometery to decorate graves of deceased brothers. The grand master thought such a display was not essential. They could decorate without a procession. Another wanted to form a procession and go to a picnic. This was snuffed out. A dispensation was asked and refused to hold funeral services over a brother's grave who had been buried some months before. One lodge wanted to publish in the newspapers the name of a brother who was suspended. Another desired to advertise a brother who had been expelled. For freak requests these latter take the whole cooky shop.

PORTO RICO MUST WAIT.

A request from Porto Rico for recognition came with a full history of Masonry in the island. It failed to convince the committee on correspondence and action was deferred.

An appeal for aid was permitted to a lodge to solicit aid to rebuild a lodge room swept away by storm. So long as tornado insurance is so cheap there can be little excuse for a lodge to go unprotected. Many lodges solicited had always paid rent. Owning buildings is not essential to successful lodges. Such an appeal is hardly justifiable.

The grand master reports that at the request of Grand Master Ashley, Clarksville lodge conferred the three degrees on Mr. A. C. Murray for Tyrian Lodge No. 333, of Springfield, Ill.

Official Rulings

Rather than decisions are the style in Tennessee. A large number of these are reported. They are all of merely local interest in construing the law and edicts of that grand jurisdiction.

The grand master started out to visit every lodge in the state but soon despaired of the gigantic task. He was, however, a busy man and says that he traveled 10,000 miles and used ninety days of his time in this work. He quotes a bright boy as saying "a visit is when you go to see your grandma and a visitation is when she comes to see you." He went to see his grandma and his were visits. Still the lodges do not report their side.

THE WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' HOME

Is reported to be in excellent condition. The wonder is that our good brethren of the south do not provide for the distress of a needy worthy brother as well as for his widow and orphans. Experience in Illinois points to the fact that there are more of him than of either of the other classes. The Eastern Star contributed \$1,472.37 during the year for a heating and lighting plant for the Home. There have been added

to the grounds ninety acres. This, together with the new grand lodge building, leaves a debt of \$40,000. To liquidate this the grand master recommended an increase of fifty cents grand lodge dues on each member in the state. The average cost of each member of the Home for the year was given at \$97.42. This is distressingly low. They must feed them on snowballs in winter and grass in summer. There were 147 persons in the Home; women 35, boys 48, girls 54, superintendent's family 6, teachers 3 and hired man 1.

THOU SHALT NOT SWEAR.

Grand Master Byrn made a ringing appeal to the brethren to abstain from profanity. Hear him.

The strongest portion of the foundation upon which masonry stands is reverence for the Divine Being, the Grand Master of the great Universe in which He operates. No man can be a mason unless he believes in God and looks to Him in worship. This being true, the name of God should be sacred to every member of our beloved brotherhood. It should never be lightly considered even in our thinking, and should never fall from our lips except in worship or adoration. Any man who takes this Holy name in vain is guilty of conduct unbecoming a mason. Such a thing as profanity should be as foreign to the members of our order as it would be for us to neglect a needy brother.

A unanimous pledge was given by all the representatives to put forth every effort to do away with "this thoughtless and sinful practice." Later formal approval was given and a page of the proceedings set aside for the anti-swear resolution.

WILL BE DOCKED.

The law was so changed that the roll might be called by order of the grand master at any time during the session. Any brother failing to answer should lose that day's pay.

Ten pages are filled with the report of the committee on appeals and grievances in eight cases. In Illinois last year a similar committee disposed of ten appeals in about two pages. A little of Judge Crawford's terseness and force in making this report would help the Tennessee committee.

The transfer of the grand master's signet ring from the retiring to the incoming head of the craft gave opportunity for two choice speeches but space forbids quotation.

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Opens with a review of the general condition of Masonry. The reviewer says that the condition is good except in Mexico and adds that

"Masonry there seems to partake of the same restlessness as exists in the political and military situations."

The number of masons in the world so far as reported is given as 1,389,317, a gain of 71.644. This does not include England, Ireland, Scotland and some of the British provinces where the membership is not reported. Some peculiarities in other grand lodges are noted.

- 1. The record of members is not given in British grand lodges.
- 2. Maryland has kept the same man as grand master for twenty-five years. He reports no decisions, makes no written report of his acts and there is no committee on masonic law or jurisprudence.
- 3. In Pennsylvania the decisions of the grand master are final, not being passed upon by the grand lodge. There is no committee on law or jurisprudence. Massachusetts has the same condition. In these three states the grand master comes pretty close to being the whole thing. To this should be added the peculiarity that in Massachusetts lodges bear no numbers.

ILLINOIS

Gets about one and one-half pages in a brief review. Most of this consists in quotations. The special report of the committee on correspondence for Illinois regarding the condition of masonry in Mexico is quoted in full. As Tennessee has not recognized Valle de Mexico the report evidently is approved. Three lines are devoted to the Illinois report on correspondence.

Grand master, John R. Rison, Paris; grand secretary, John B. Garrett, Nashville.

TEXAS-1910.

805 Lodges.

75TH ANNUAL.

50,027 MEMBERS.

The big book of proceedings of big Tenas opens with fine pictures of the retiring grand master, T. C. Yantis, and the grand secretary, P.G.M. John Watson. The meeting was held at Waco December 6, 1910. A full corps of grand officers were present. The representative of Illinois was absent leaving our great state without its guardian. The grand master of Arkansas, Bro. F. G. Lindsey, was present and received honors suitable to his station.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The grand master started on a tour of Europe on June 18 and turned the work of his office over to the D.G.M., Bro, Walter Acker, who served until September 5 Grand Master Yantis reports a busy time in masonry while he was abroad. He visited the grand secretaries and other officers of Scotland and England but was unable to visit lodges because they call off during the summer months. This is their usual custom.

DRAWS THE LINE AT FRANCE.

He says further-

My visit being hurried, I had no opportunity to visit any of the lodges on the continent until I reached Paris; but was barred from calling on them, as our grand lodge, as well as those in Great Britain, do not recognize masonry as practiced in France, they having taken the Bible from the altar and substituted their constitution therefor. While masonry throughout Europe is progressing satisfactorily to the craft there, my impression is that it is not reaching the masses of the people as it is in our country.

Some distinguished masons in other states are not so careful to confine their masonic intercourse to lodges and grand bodies that are recognized as legitimate. P.G.M. Pearson's death is suitably recorded.

THE MEXICAN MIX-UP.

The grand master reviews the facts relating to the so-called masonic lodges in Mexico. As Texas has recognized some of these bodies it became necessary to follow their work and keep in touch with the condition. The grand master did not venture to express an opinion as to the proper course. He submitted the facts and referred the whole problem to the grand lodge for solution. Later it was decided to allow the recognition of Valle de Mexico to stand pending the process of purgation, then going on.

DISPENSATIONS REFUSED.

The temper of a grand master is often shown more truly by what he refuses to do than by what he does. The list of requests for dispensations which were not granted by the Texas grand master is a lengthy one. Here are a few:

- 1. All requests for permission for individuals to ask aid of lodges and masons.
- 2. Some lodges wanted to send out notes, payable several years afterward, to raise money for various purposes. All such requests were very properly turned down.
- 3. To attend church as a lodge duly clothed and presumably all in their right minds was prohibited.

- 4. All requests for permission to confer degrees out of time were denied. Correct, let the suddenly anxious applicants wait as others have done.
- 5. To lay corner stones where nothing appeared to show that the Masonic fraternity did the work. Also to lay a stone on St. John's day. The grand master also refused to lay corner stones of wooden buildings, presumably because the craft are Masons and not carpenters

CIPHER TROUBLES.

The report showed that the state had been flooded with advertisements of "Cipher" rituals. The grand master emphatically vetoed their use. Some brethren refused to give up their "keys and ciphers." Whereupon the grand master ordered charges preferred. It is strange that brethren will insist on violating their obligations to get something that will injure them and retard their progress in mastering and retaining the work.

CHANGE OF VENUE.

The "Lone Star" grand lodge has a provision for a change of venue in Masonic trials. The discretion to grant such change is with the grand master on a proper showing. Illinois needs such a provision. In many cases Masonic trials are merest farces. When it is remembered that the prosecutors and witnesses are all members of the jury to pass upon the guilt or innocence of the accused, it will be readily seen that an impartial trial is well nigh impossible. Often the witnesses and prosecutors are sufficiently numerous to insure conviction in advance. It may be said that the member charged with a Masonic offense has his right of appeal to the grand lodge. True, but often he is deprived of the rights and privileges of Masonry for a large part of the year as he awaits favorable action of the grand lodge. If the case could be taken to another lodge, whose members are impartial and in no way interested, a correct verdict by an unbiased jury could be rendered. Each member is presumed innocent until proven guilty. A law allowing the grand master to grant a change of venue upon a proper showing is most desirable.

DECISIONS ABUNDANT.

The grand master submitted twenty-five rulings on the law. Only a few of these require notice. He holds as follows:

- 16. A masonic lodge cannot meet in a hall occupied by another order, or used for other than masonic purposes: I report this because there is so much confusion on that point.
- 17. That entertainments cannot be held in the lodge room and ante rooms, and the profane be invited thereto; Art. 310 Masonic Laws, 1008, indicates who may be invited to be present.

While the excellence of the rule in general is conceded, yet circumstances sometimes alter cases.

In No. 23 he announces the law of physical disqualification as follows:

I had many questions of maining and disqualification submitted to me, and I have tried to guard the portals of the lodges strictly; it does seem that the brethren would learn that one with a finger, toe, or parts thereof, gone, or with an eye out and with other similar defects, are not eligible to receive the degrees.

In another decision it is shown that a resident of Texas went to Missouri to make a visit. While there the lodge received his petition and conferred the degrees upon the visitor. On his return to his home in Texas he sought to visit the lodge within whose jurisdiction he was a resident. The lodge refused to recognize him as a mason and would not allow him to visit. The grand master decides that the degrees were not lawfully given him in Missouri as the lodge in that state had no jurisdiction. The action of the lodge in denying the Missouri-made mason the right to visit the lodge at his home in Texas was affirmed. Amen.

THE DEPUTY G.M. REPORTS.

During the absence of Grand Master Yantis, Bro. Walter Acker was the acting grand master and reports his official conduct. He also refuses several requests for dispensations along lines similar to those of the grand master. One case may be noted. He refused permission to a lodge to meet at the Scottish Rite cathedral at Dallas to receive the "traveling trowel" and to confer the degree of master mason. Brother Acker reports seven decisions but they are chiefly local and do not need mention here.

That all applicants for degrees are not elected is shown by the grand secretary's report. There were 1,201 rejections during the year. Texas is looking for quality as well as quantity and is growing in a healthy way.

THE ORATION

Was by Bro. A. W. Houston, the grand orator. It was a worthy effort. In emphasizing the need of the practical as above the esoteric he asks—

What kind of a mason would he be who, being able, would refuse bread to his starving neighbor because he could not give a sign or password? What would you think of the mason who pleaded in confession and avoidance, that the man he cheated was not a brother mason? Would you be willing to sit in lodge with the mason who slandered his neighbor, and could give no better excuse than that he was not a brother mason? How would you feel towards the bully,

with blood on his hands, who defended himself on the ground, only, that his victim was not a mason? How long would you tolerate the mason who would endeavor to overthrow his government and be a traitor to his flag? How would you esteem the seducer and destroyer of woman's virtue? Where would you class the coward who refused to answer the cry of distress, without regard to who made the call?

These pertinent questions carry their own answers. One other statement is significant. "It has often been said that Masonry is religion and that 'masonry is good enough religion for me.' There is no greater fallacy." Brother Houston is strictly correct. Masons who say this injure the fraternity in the estimation of the best people in every community. Masonry distinctly disclaims this theory and is careful not to encroach upon the greatest human thought—the soul's relation to God.

THE MASONIC HOME

Of Texas is in a most prosperous condition. There is a fund of \$143.-394.13 invested and bringing good returns. There are at present 20 widows, 100 boys, and 114 girls—total 234. This is a fine showing, but where does the aged and indigent brother come in? He appears to be left out in the cold. Does not our obligation bind us to relieve the distress of a needy worthy brother? The per capita cost per annum is given at \$25.04. This must be an error. It would be impossible even in Texas to live on such a sum. The cost of maintenance is set down as \$38.954.45. Taking this with the number in the Home the annual per capita cost must be much larger than that given.

A GREAT GOER.

The "traveling trowel" was present and was on exhibition with considerable ceremony. It left New York October 30, 1905, and has been on the go ever since. When its journey ends what of it? Yet, Illinois would no doubt give as much attention to the traveler as did Texas if it came our way.

Rev. Bro. Baten addressed the grand lodge on the fruitful topic. "The Bible and the Masonic Brotherhood." This address was a most valuable one to the thinking mason and student of the great book.

THE REVIEW OF GRAND LODGES

Was by Thomas M. Matthews, Sr., and is well written and full of interest. In his "some forewords" he discusses many of the more general subjects engaging masonic attention. "Negroes as Masons" and "Cipher Rituals" are treated broadly and in excellent spirit.

Illinois in 1910.

Unfortunately our proceedings did not reach the reviewer in time. He gives two pages, however, to the report on correspondence which, in pamphlet form, was received. Referring to the Illinois report Brother MATTHEWS grows complimentary and says "Brother Scott's report covers 245 pages and is a masterly review of the proceedings of sixtyseven grand lodges." "For our views in re the grand lodge Valle de Mexico he scores us pretty severely, but not unkindly. He evidently does not believe that there is any genuine masonry in Mexico." Then is quoted the paragraph regarding masonry in Mexico. Assuring the brother of the most kindly regard for him and his superb grand lodge, there has not vet been disclosed any very substantial basis for a good opinion of the so-called masonry of Mexico. The Texas reviewer heartily approves the view that "quality of character" should dominate rather than the color of the skin. However, he doubts the possibility of much good quality getting into a black skin. It is much to be regretted that Brother Matthews could not have had the full 1910 proceedings of Illinois rather than the mere fragment—the report on correspondence. Perhaps, next year Brother Cutter can get to him a little sooner.

Grand master, Walter Acker, Waxahachie; grand secretary, John Watson, Waco.

UTAH-1911.

15 Lodges.

40TH ANNUAL.

1.770 MEMBERS.

This grand lodge is one of the smallest in the circle of those in fraternal touch with Illinois. Yet, for forty years the true teachings of the great masonic brotherhood have been upheld among most unpropitious surroundings. The purity and sacredness of the American home has here had one valiant champion, even though the foul atmosphere of polygamy and the Mormon hierarchy has at times almost smothered the fraternity. It is matter for congratulation that there is the largest growth in membership ever reported in any year, except one.

The annual session was held at Salt Lake City January 17 and 18, 1911. There was a full attendance. The representative of Illinois was recorded as present.

THE ANNUAL ADDRESS

By Grand Master Charales B. Jack was a faithful portraiture of the doings of masonry in Utah for the year 1910. Referring to world affairs he says.

Moreover, this is a period when an awakening to the greater realities of life has been sweeping over the world. In every country men are raising their voices against fraud, oppression and injustice; calling for personal purity, corporate honesty, national patriotism and civic enterprise. Such a wave, like everything in life, has its ebbs and floodtides; and when it surges through a nation it reaches every corner, affects each individual.

ONLY A FEW DECISIONS.

The grand master made but five decisions. The first was as follows; Labor may be suspended in the master mason's degree and a lodge of entered apprentices opened in lieu thereof without passing through the follow craft degree. But all lodges opened must be properly closed.

The committee on jurisprudence did not agree with this view of the law. The grand lodge sustained the committee and reversed the grand master. In Illinois labor can be suspended on any degree and resumed upon any other upon which the lodge has been regularly opened. It is not necessary in doing so to go through the second from the third to the first. It is required however that return shall be made to the highest degree on which the lodge has been opened and then closed in all degrees in regular order. In No. 2 it is held that—

The board of custodians may make verbal changes to correct grammatical errors or to harmonize different sections, and may agree upon all details not specified, but are not authorized to make other changes in our ritualistic work without consent of the grand lodge.

Would it not be wiser to require that all verbal changes be made only on the order of the grand master or grand lodge? It is not very safe to permit changes in work by any but supreme authority.

No. 3 holds that installation of officers must begin with the master. "A lodge starts anew each year and if it has no member qualified to serve as master, or sees fit to elect such a brother, it must cease work." The question arose out of a case where the master was not qualified.

ASSISTANT GRAND SECRETARY.

Owing to the fact that the venerable grand secretary had grown old in the service and that his strength was somewhat abated after a continuous service of forty years, the grand master recommended that an assistant be provided. P.G.M. Brown had been appointed "acting grand secretary" to allow Brother Diehl to take a long and needed vacation. The recommendation for an assistant was adopted.

A GOLDEN WEDDING.

One of the delightful events of the year was the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the marriage of Brother Diehl and his good wife. On the 13th of May, 1910, at the Masonic Temple in Salt Lake "seventeen hundred masons of Utah gathered, in person or by representation, at masonic hall to remind our beloved Chris, that he is dear to us; to bid him cast a glance backward over the years and in the divine pencilings of a golden West read the benediction "well done," then face the East and watch for the happiness of coming years, which we trust will be many." A picture of this venerable couple, arm in arm, adorns the proceedings.

Steps were taken to incorporate the grand lodge under the laws of the state of Utah.

Attention is called to the proportion of masons to population. Utah has the lowest, 439.26, to each 100,000 of people. Maine has the highest, being 3.963.51 to the 100,000 people. On recommendation of the committee on correspondence Utah continues its recognition of the Mexican grand body, hereafter to be known as the "York Grand Lodge of Mexico."

WRITTEN EVIDENCE.

The following was adopted as the standing rule on the documentary evidence to be required of visitors.

No visiting brother shall be permitted to visit a lodge in this grand jurisdiction unless he can and does produce written evidence under the scal of his lodge that he is in good standing; and said evidence must be attested by the grand secretary's signature and the seal of the grand lodge under which the lodge of the visitor is working."

It will soon be that a mason cannot visit anywhere outside of his own state without a certificate of the regularity of his lodge, verified by certificate of the grand secretary. Some new form should be prepared by our grand lodges, so that brethren will not be denied the privileges of masonry when they are away from home.

BROTHERS PEARSON AND SMITH.

Under the head "fraternal dead of sister jurisdictions" appears the following:

John Mills Pearson—Past grand master of the grand lodge of Illinois, died at his home in Godfrey, Ill., June 4, 1010, aged 78 years.

General John Corson Smith—Grand master of the grand lodge of Illinois in 1887-1888, and one of the best known masons on the face of the globe, died at his home in Chicago, Ill., December 31, 1010, aged 78 years, 10 months, 18 days.

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Is from the experienced hand of Grand Secretary Diehl. He names ten grand lodges that "were reviewed under shadows of palm, magnolia and orange trees in Hollywood, Southern California." But eighty-seven pages are given to this excellent review. Illinois is given generous space. Of Brother Ashley's report he says that—

There is hardly anything of a sentimental nature in the grand master's address. It covers forty pages and every one of them is business It is square work. It is well.

The reviewer says, "The report of the committee on appeals covers but two pages and disposed of ten cases. We always admired the reports of that committee. They are as they should be." He further says that "A very practical oration was delivered by Grand Orator Frank G. Smith." Brother Diehl has the thanks of the present correspondent for his complimentary reference to the report of Illinois for last year. Regarding the sale of liquor the Utah reviewer says—

That the resolution to prohibit lodges from serving intoxicants within a masonic hall (in Utah) was voted down is not to his liking. Hear him: "This is rather a strange outcome. Masonry can hardly afford to allow lodges to serve liquors in the hall or any place adjacent thereto." It is not done in a Utah lodge, Brother Scott, and the only reason that it was not adopted was that our lodges should have the right to say for themselves that they don't want the damnable stuff without being dictated to by the grand lodge.

Somebody is compelled to dictate to lodges when they go wrong. The grand lodge is nothing but the aggregate of the masters and wardens of all lodges in the state. All are wiser than one. Hence, restraint is sometimes necessary by the grand lodge when its constituent lodge is entering unsafe and forbidden paths. The true theory, however, is the least control by the grand lodge consistent with careful observance of the laws and usages of the craft.

Grand master, Gilbert B. Pfoutz. Salt Lake City: grand secretary, Christopher Diehl, Salt Lake City.

VERMONT-1911.

103 Lodges.

118TH ANNUAL.

13,135 MEMBERS.

The grand lodge of the "Green Mountain" state was still "organized, 1794," as proclaimed on the outside front page. A gain of 204 in membership is not large but it shows progress. The portrait of Daniel S. Danforth, grand marshal, deceased during the year, is the irontispiece. The annual was held at Burlington June 14 and 15, 1911. Proceedings came to hand July 25. Right "peart" work for this yankee grand lodge. Three specials were held, one to lay a corner stone and two to dedicate masonic halls.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Was exhaustive and worthful reading. In speaking of the pleasures of the annual gatherings he says "how heartening and precious are the greetings which we receive from those who have been our co-laborers in years gone by." The settlement of the troubles of Canada and Michigan had not reached him. Hence he deplores the inharmony which happily no longer exists.

Too Wide by Half.

Grand Master Ballou is pretty broad in his views of recognition. He savs—

It is to be earnestly desired that just so far as possible our own grand lodge should recognize masonic grand bodies in other countries whether they owe their origin to either York or Scottish Rite parentage.

The Scottish Rite is all right in its own domain and for its purposes. It cannot, however, be the legitimate parent of ancient craft masonry. Its progeny is illegitimate and cannot be recognized by grand lodges which are careful to preserve the landmarks, usages and customs of the ancient craft

MUST PAY TAXES.

The extensive litigation between the grand lodge of Vermont and the city of Burlington regarding taxes on the temple property has been decided by the supreme court of the state. The taxes must be paid. As the grand lodge is not a money making institution but devoted to benevolence and 'charity, it was contended that its property should be exempt from taxation. The decision of the highest court holds otherwise and the taxes will be paid.

WARDEN MUST STAY.

Only two decisions are reported. In one of these it was held that where the lodge, in the absence of the master, is called to order by a

warden and a past master called on to preside, business transacted is illegal unless the warden remains in the lodge during the session. The presence of either the master or a warden is essential to the regularity of the business transacted. The other decision was of minor importance.

It was decided, on recommendation of the grand master, that in addition to the jewel presented to the retiring grand master an apron with suitable emblems also be given.

The grand master granted dispensations to change the time of stated meeting of lodges as fixed in their by-laws to other dates. The committee on jurisprudence changed this ruling. It should be that the lodge would have power to transact business at a special called for that purpose. A grand master has no power to change a by-law of a lodge after it is legally adopted and in force.

OUR DISTINGUISHED DEPARTED.

The committee on necrology refers to the deaths of our two past grand masters as follows:

The masonic record of Bro. John M. Pearson tells of zeal, tact and properly directed ability. He was the most illustrious grand master of the grand council in 1868; grand high priest of the grand chapter in 1869, and grand commander of the grand commandery of his state in 1870.

Elected grand master October 7, 1890, his birthday, and re-elected the year following, he completed the acquisition of masonic honors such as few men have enjoyed.

Our distinguished brother was so useful to the craft and the affiliated bodies that it is impossible to give even in briefest outline his connection with the same. Perhaps no mason ever occupied a more important place as the servant of his brethren than did John Corson Smith. He was doubtless the most extensive traveler and best known mason in the world.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Of grand lodges comes from the hand of P.G.M. Marsh O. Perkins and fills 168 most readable pages of the proceedings. Four pages are devoted to Illinois. Of Grand Master Ashley's annual report the reviewer says that "The address of the grand master is an admirable business paper in which the many details of his administration are concisely presented." Then follows an excellent summary of the business of the session with several quotations from the grand master's address. The report on correspondence of Illinois for 1910 is liberally treated. A review of the special report on Mexico shows that Brother Perkins is quite in agreement with the view held by the Illinois grand lodge. He quotes with approval the closing paragraph.

He further says that-

An eloquent oration was pronounced by the grand lecturer, R.W. Frank G. Smith, whose theme centered upon an earnest inquiry "into the origin, nature and practical value of the institution we love and represent." We regret that no more than passing reference can be made to the same.

ILLINOIS CORRESPONDENTS.

Regarding the work of Illinois correspondents Brother Perkins says--

A very able report on correspondence comes from the hands of Past Grand Master Scott, who succeeds to the vacancy caused by the death of Past Grand Master Joseph Robbins, who stood for so many years "the peer of any correspondent in the world," Past Grand Master Edward Cook, his immediate successor, having been obliged by the very limited time at his disposal to retire from the round table he adorned ad interim by his presence,

The reviewer says that when Vermont gets "between the devil and the deep sea" in the affairs of their masonic temple that, "while we may not wholly have escaped the devil, safety from the deep sea is at hand by a short climb to the mountain top, financial obligations fully and honorably cancelled." That is a safe and comfortable position from which to receive congratulations.

READS ABOUT OTHER GRAND LODGES.

Frequent quotations from the Illinois review of Virginia, Western Australia and Wisconsin for 1910 makes it evident that Brother Perkins casts his keen, perceptive eye over more than the portion referring to his own state.

In his conclusion the correspondent gives a summary of masonry in the Orient and in Russia. With the exception of a few lodges, here and there chartered by British and American grand lodges, he concludes that masonry in Russia and the far east is like a concise chapter on snakes in Ireland—"There are no snakes in Ireland."

Grand master, Henry L. Ballou, Chester; grand secretary, Henry H. Ross, Burlington.

VICTORIA-1910.

211 LODGES.

MEETINGS QUARTERLY.

11,271 MEMBERS.

The membership given was that of the March meeting. The United Grand Lodge of Victoria is thoroughly British in its antecedents and practices. In most English and provincial bodies no membership is reported. Probably present membership is larger. No annual session is ever held.

Sessions at Melbourne in March, June, September and December of each year are sufficient for the transaction of the business of the province. During no one of these meetings in 1910, appears the name of the representative of the grand lodge of Illinois. The same orphaned condition appeared for 1909.

HONORS CONFERRED NOT EARNED.

"Past ranks" of various kinds were conferred on brethren by the grand master. These ranks were past D.G. master, past S.G. warden, past J.G. warden, past J.G. deacon.

In American grand lodges the "past rank" confers itself upon a brother when he retires from any place or station.

Field Marshal KITCHENER, of Khartoum, paid a visit on January 10. 1910, and was received with honors suitable for so distinguished an English mason.

DO NOT ALLOW ELECTION EERING.

The board of general purposes severely censured a candidate for the board of benevolence because he "circularized voters soliciting their support and influence on his behalf." The board of general purposes is a sort of ad interim executive committee, clothed with power to transact the business of the grand lodge. It is found in most British and provincial grand lodges. It performs most of the duties devolving upon American grand masters during the vacation of grand lodges.

CHOOSE HIGH OFFICIALS.

Installation of grand officers took place at the March quarterly session. Grand Master Carmichael was installed for his second term. Brother Carmichael is a "past grand master mason" of Scotland, whence, he came to be the representative of the British crown in Victoria. He appears to be an active and earnest mason. Many of the provincial grand masters are merely official figureheads, being chosen because of

the high civic positions they hold. The grand master appointed the progrand master and the deputy grand master who are his potent agents in the activities of the grand lodge during the year.

BIG VISITORS.

Distinguished representatives of New South Wales, Tasmania, Western Australia and Queensland, other Australasian grand lodges, were present and made addresses of congratulation and felicitation. A special communication as "a lodge of sorrow" on account of the death of King Edward was held on May 20, 1910. Elaborate and impressive services were held in his memory.

Grand Secretary Braim, after sixteen years' service, was retired on account of failing health. An allowance of 200 pounds, (\$1000) per year was allowed to begin October 1, 1910. Later in the year it appeared that his death was imminent.

How THEY PROCURE A GRAND SECRETARY.

They select a grand secretary differently in Victoria. A circular was sent to all the 211 lodges asking for applicants for the job at 450 pounds (a little over \$2000) per annum, the appointment not to carry any claim to retiring allowance, to continue during the pleasure of the grand lodge, and the successful applicant to retire at the age of seventy years. Applications came from all parts of the province to the number of twenty-two. The grand master then selected from this list. The basis of selection is not given, but as the grand master was the Governor General there was no insurrection.

A case of discipline was where a brother, failing to be appointed to an office in his lodge, proceeded to cast a black ball against a candidate. He was suspended for two months. On an appeal to the grand lodge he was again convicted. This looks like pretty mild punishment for so grave an offense.

No LADIES WANTED.

The following was a decision of the Board of general purposes and stands as the law of the realm.

Permission was asked by a lodge which meets at freemasons' hall, Melbourne, to hold a musical evening, to which ladies would be admitted, in the large supper room after the lodge meeting. The board resolved not to give the permission asked, and also laid down a general rule that no function at which ladies were to be present, should take place in the rooms adjacent to the lodge rooms.

It would thus appear that masonic entertainments in Victoria are of a decided type of masculine gender.

The "Benevolent Fund" is shown to be in a most robust condition of good health. The balance is £21.835 or over \$100,000. Surely the needy should not suffer when the grand lodge is so flush.

There is no report on correspondence. Evidently no such committee is provided.

Grand master, T. D. Gibson Carmichael; grand secretary, Chas. J. Barrow, 25 Collins St. Melbourne.

VIRGINIA—1911.

312 Lodges.

133RD ANNUAL.

21.782 MEMBERS.

The proceedings of the "Old Dominion" come in attractive dress and full of interest. Nearly 600 pages are required to tell the masonic story of the year.

The annual was held at historic old Richmond, February 14 to 16, 1911. A break is made from the usual custom of opening the volume of proceedings with the picture of the grand master. An excellent portrait of the grand secretary, Geo. W. Carrington, is the curtain-raiser of the book for 1911. This was by order of the grand master. At all the sessions Bro. W. L. Andrews was present, the representative of Illinois. He is the deputy grand master and will doubtless succeed the present efficient head of the fraternity.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Comes freighted with the details of a busy year. He notes an increase in membership and larger contributions to charity than ever before. Three deaths are noted among the officers of the grand lodge. These were P.G.M. Sylvanus J. Quinn, W. T. Rea, grand lecturer and Parke Jones, lecturer of one of the divisions. Many corner stones were laid showing the popularity of the ancient masonic ceremony.

The grand master has the right conception concerning special dispensations. He says that he has "refused very many more requests for dispensations than I have granted, believing that it is more the duty of the grand master to enforce the law than to suspend it because requested. The few that I have granted called loud and with reasons that I considered to be advantageous to the craft, and could not result in detriment to masonry."

DECISIONS REPORTED

Are fourteen in number, all brief and pointed. Only three of these need mention.

The first is that "there is no law preventing a lodge being joint owner with any other order in a building."

Second, "that after the minutes of a lodge have been read and approved and lodge closed, no one could add to or subtract anything, without the consent of the lodge."

Third, "that the petition of a man who could not read or write could not be received."

THE MASONIC HOME

Is in good hands. It is only for children. A resolution was adopted to appoint a committee to present a plan for enlarging the Home so as to provide shelter for the aged and needy mason, his wife, or widow. This is timely. The grand lodge of Virginia reports a temple property valued at \$154,000. There is yet a \$30,000 debt. Might not the suggestion be ventured that our first duty as masons is to provide for our unfortunate brother who "has not where to lay his head?" Temples are useful but they are often expensive and embarrassing. They sometimes stand between us and our duty to a "worthy distressed brother." In Illinois we have provided for the needy mason, his wife, widow and orphan. This done we are considering a permanent headquarters for the grand lodge.

ALL SHOULD PAY ALIKE.

Of the Home for children the grand master says—

It is patent to me that the constant appeal made for the Masonic Home to the brethren, by every speaker who appears before a lodge, from the grand to subordinate officers, for aid, has grown monotonous—it is worn out, and the brethren are weary. We all agree that this institution of ours must be cared for, sustained, improved and placed upon a substantial basis. The hour and the day has arrived, in my judgment, when this grand body must provide such a permanent income that your board can, with certainty, make their contracts, feeling and knowing that the funds will be in band at a fixed time of the year. You must meet this by taxation, and it should be equal.

During the session it was provided that \$5 from each initiation fee should go to the Home.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Of proceedings of grand lodges is presented by P.G.M. Joseph W. Eggleston. In his conclusion the brother says that "this report is not what it ought to be and we want to be the first to say so." It is to be regretted that Brother Eggleston thus apologizes. If he had not said this no

one else would. The report presented appears in all respects to be a very excellent production. Illinois gets three pages. He says that Grand Master Ashley "receives and earns a salary of \$2,500." Liberal quotations are then made from Brother Ashley's report.

Here is an interesting paragraph.

Some Chicago lodges desired to purchase lots exceeding the limit in value, exclusive of buildings, and it was necessary to have their incorporation again amended. This is only mentioned as another evidence of the wisdom of not incorporating at all.

Not quite correct. Not only Chicago lodges but those in other parts of the state owned property exceeding the limit of the special act of the legislature passed sixty odd years ago.

An accommodating legislature recently removed all limitation so that lodges and the grand lodge are now free to own all property necessary to carry out the aims and purposes of the fraternity. Illinois has no reason to complain of the fact of incorporation. It is not easily seen how the large property interests of lodges and the grand lodge could be safeguarded without legal existence.

CALLS THEM DESERTERS.

The correspondent quotes Grand Master Ashley at length regarding voluntary non-affiliated masons and adds—

The remedy was duly applied. These deserters simply comprise those who originally become masons from childish curiosity or from sordid hope of gain. They deserve nothing at our hands but contempt.

He pays this well-deserved tribute.

Robbins stood for years the acknowledged head of the band of scribes, although many of us differed with some of his views. He had begun the year's review, and, feeble as he was, had doubtless done, for him, work enough to earn the year's salary, small as it is, for such a review as those he always produced from his well-stored mind.

LAST YEAR'S REPORT.

Then is added-

The new reviewer, Bro. Owen Scott, begins very well. We hope that he may yet take the high rank that the successor of Robbins should have. To do so will require a vast deal of study and labor, added to talents of no mean sort.

He treated Virginia, 1910, as well as any have done and as well as we think it could be done.

Copious quotations then follow. Referring to comments in the Illinois report of last year regarding honorary membership, given by a lodge to its own members Brother Eggleston says—

Now, as he (Owen Scott) is new at the table, we will once more say that we not only allow honorary membership as to past masters, but multiple membership as to all. More than one hundred years ago the grand lodge of Virginia said that it could see no objection to a mason holding membership in as many lodges as chose to receive him, and the custom has worked well ever since that time.

He liked our personal fondness for P.G.M. Alexander H. Bell, and we are not yet hopeless of having him come to Richmond and impress himself on Virginia masonry.

The plural membership is not so difficult to explain as making a man a double member of the same lodge.

Illinois protests against the threat to kidnap Brother Bell. We might loan him to Virginia long enough to let him "impress himself on the masonry of Virginia." by his talents and good looks. Good and sufficient bonds, however, would be required, guaranteeing his early and safe return to Illinois.

Grand master, WM. B. McChesney, Staunton; grand secretary, Geo. W. Carrington, Richmond.

WASHINGTON-1910.

168 Lodges.

53RD ANNUAL.

14,473 MEMBERS.

A most attractive volume, bound in symbolic blue, records a busy session of the grand lodge of Washington in its 53rd annual communication held at Tacoma in June, 1910. The boyish appearing face of the retiring grand master, William R. Baker, adorns the proceedings. A brief biographical sketch follows. From the record of the masonic year it is fair to assume that his thirty-four years have been spent to good purpose.

THE WELCOME OF TACOMA.

It is very evident that the masons of the far northwest are sufficiently forceful to command attention. The welcome addresses show this. They should meet in Chicago and they would know how it is to be lost in a great city. A fable tells of a gnat that perched on the horn of an ox as he moved slowly along. After riding some time the gnat said to the ox, "If I am growing too heavy I will relieve you by getting off." The ox rolled his eyes peacefully up and replied, "Ah, I did not know you were there." So it is with the Illinois grand lodge, rep-

resenting more than 100,000 members. It meets in the whirl and bustle of the great city on the lake. However, the masons like it and probably will always meet in Chicago.

GRAND MASTER'S ANNUAL.

Grand Master Baker reports Washington masonry in a prosperous condition. The net gain in membership was 1,068 and they are vouched for as good men and true. He says "that we receive none, knowingly, into our ranks but those who are moral and upright before God."

The death of King Edward is noted with fewer words than that of our Brother Robbins. The former is simply noted as a past grand master of the grand lodge of England.

Grand Master Baker refused to approve a by-law making June 24 and December 27 "regular" meetings, because these Saints John days may come on Sundays.

Another by-law leaving the hour of meeting to the W.M. was wisely disapproved. The building business is flourishing in the Puget Sound state. Nine corner stones were laid.

Dispensations were refused to confer degrees in less than prescribed time except in case of sea-faring men. Only two decisions were reported. One of these held that a petitioner who owns a building which he rents to a saloonkeeper is eligible for the degrees.

For fear that certain clandestine bodies in that state might incorporate as masonic the grand lodge was placed under the laws as a corporate body.

OUR LIST OF REGULAR LODGES.

Reference is made to the Illinois list of regular lodges by the name of the publishers. Our Pacific Coast brethren should know, if they do not, that this list is prepared by and goes out under authority of the grand lodge of Illinois. No objection is made to the printers furnishing this list to any other grand lodge if it pays the price.

The grand master notes that most appeals for aid come from the larger and wealthier lodges while the small and weak ones care for their own dependents. This perversion of a good practice is not confined to the state of Washington.

The grand orator, William J. Sutton, delivered a finished and instructive oration.

MASONIC HOME.

Initial steps were taken for the establishment of a home for masonic dependents. A fund of \$6,656,75 is in the treasury for this purpose. A resolution went to the finance committee pledging the grand lodge to immediate action. This was adopted and a committee appointed to take preliminary steps for the construction of a home.

Kentucky's reciprocal disciplinary powers over sojourning masons were found to be in accord with their own law and endorsed.

THE REVIEW OF GRAND LODGES

Was written by Stephen J. Chadwick, and it embraces 157 pages. The report is ably written. Illinois is well treated in five pages. Brother Bell's tribute to Brother Robbins is quoted almost in full "that more may be known of this distinguished man and mason."

Brother CHADWICK takes exception to Brother Bell's attitude regarding laying corner stones of "public structures or buildings." He says—

It seems to the writer that the grand master's reasoning is faulty. It is true that an obscure schoolhouse is a public building and as such is entitled to our consideration. The dignity of the occasion depends upon the grand lodge and not upon the pretentious character of the building. The only question should be, Is the building of a permanent character? We agree, however, with his suggestion that the grand lodge refuse to lay a corner stone that does not have the required inscription, "Laid by the Masonic Fraternity."

The grand lodge wisely left the whole matter to the discretion and judgment of the grand master.

Again he says that "The grand master was asked hundreds and hundreds of questions which betray 'the unmistakable and lamentable ignorance of masonic law on the part of the writers' but with unusual good taste be refrained from reporting them as decisions." Whether the "unusual" applies to Brother Bell or to other grand masters the reviewer does not state. He then quotes largely from Brother Bell's report on the national grand lodge question. He refers to Valle de Mexico as follows:

Two very able reports on Mexican masonry and the grand lodge Valle de Mexico, the one by Brother Robbins and the other by W. Bro. Geo. M. Moulton, were presented. After discussion, Brother Robbins' report stood as the rule of the grand lodge and it goes without turther saying that recognition was refused.

"A most optimistic oration was delivered by Bro. Euclid B. Rogers, taking for his subject. The World is Growing Better." Then a quotation of some length attests his approval.

Brother Cook's Report.

The reviewer refers to our correspondence report as follows:

Brother Robbins had not prepared all of his report on correspondence at the time of his death, and M.W. Edward Cook, P.G.M., completed the work.

Without in any way disparaging the work of Brother Robbins we must say that the craft in Illinois is to be congratulated in that the work of the fallen master is carried out on the same high plane of dignified discussion and splendid scholarship occupied by him. We regret that our brother did not feel able to remain at the round table. He seems to regard his present effort to be only the fulfillment of a temporary duty.

He then quotes two paragraphs from Brother Cook's introduction and concludes, "To you, Brother Cook, we say 'Hail and farewell."

Grand master, Jeremiah Netterer, Bellingham; grand secretary. Horace W. Tyler, Tacoma.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA-1911.

90 Lodges.

IITH ANNUAL.

3.733 MEMBERS.

The last review of Western Australia was for 1909. No proceedings came to hand for 1910, hence there could be no report.

The proceedings for 1911 are a mere pamphlet of but 44 pages. Yet, it contains much of interest to the craft of other grand lodges.

The grand master is Rev. C. O. L. RILEY. Lord Bishop of Perth. who is serving his ninth year. He has often offered to retire and allow some other brother to fill the place but each time he was unanimously re-elected.

The year is reported as prosperous, though the gain in membership was but forty-three. The loss from suspensions has been greatly reduced because a vigorous campaign was carried on by the grand master for collecting dues. Few appeals were made to the board of benevolence. A dispensation was issued to initiate a minor, under a rule permitting this to be done.

ALL PAY IN ILLINOIS.

The grand master says-

In connection with the finances there is again great cause for congratulation in the fact that for the NINTH year in succession there is not a single working lodge in arrear, and I would again ask where is such another record to be found?

Right here in Illinois. For many years, with a membership ranging from 75,000 to 110,000, and with nearly 800 lodges, by the vigilance of

our present grand secretary and his predecessor, there has not been a delinquent. Every lodge has paid up every year.

GIVES A BIBLE.

Acting on the suggestion of South Australia, the plan of giving each candidate the Bible on which he was obligated met with favor. Why not let this beautiful custom spread? No richer gift than the Volume of the Sacred Law could be given to a mason, especially when it is so vitally associated with his yows of masonry.

Only a little over \$1,000 were paid for relief, being the smallest of any year but the first since the grand lodge was organized.

Annuities now in force go to thirteen persons, viz.; one aged brother and twelve orphan children.

LATER RETURNS.

Since writing the foregoing review and after the same was in type the annual report, a book of 282 pages, has come to hand. This covers the work "from April, 1910, to April, 1911," being a report of four quarterly communications. It also contains full report of "special communication and in memoriam service for His late Majesty, King EDWARD VII, protector of freemasonry and patron of the grand lodge of Western Australia, held in Perth, May 20, 1910."

The complete proceedings record quarterly sessions held as follows: July 28, 1910; October 27, 1910; January 26, 1011, and annual, April 27, 1011.

There is little to record here in addition to what is contained in the foregoing review gleaned from the separate quarterly publications. The one large addition is a report of committee on foreign correspondence, covering 154 pages.

A few extra points may be of interest.

The cordial relations with Scotland are further emphasized in the refusal of the foreign grand body to interfere in the removal of a lodge contrary to the wishes and interests of the grand lodge of Western Australia.

TELLING LODGE BUSINESS OUTSIDE,

The board of general purposes took occasion to enter strong protest against "the discussion of masonic matters outside of the lodge and in the presence of those who were not freemasons." The trouble arose over the election of a master. Lodges in Illinois and elsewhere may easily take warning from this case. There is too much publicity of ma-

sonic affairs which should be kept within the tyled walls of the lodge room.

Of the eleven dispensations issued during one quarter one was to initiate a minor, but it appears that under rule 159 the grand master is given power to authorize the taking in of the "kids."

When "representatives from sister grand lodges" were received by the grand master, himself the representative of the grand lodge of England, Bro. F. R. Perrot, our representative at the Western Australian court, answered the call.

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Was submitted at the annual communication held in April, 1011. The committee on foreign correspondence consists of seven members. The review of various grand lodges is written by different members of the committee. Illinois for 1010 is reviewed by P.G.D. Lavater. He uses three and one-half pages and makes an excellent report. He says that "Western Australia was ably represented by its ambassador, Bro. Henry Thompson Burnup (Burn-up)." Hardly so dangerons as that, Burnap would look less incendiary and be correct.

He quotes Brother Ashley liberally and says-

The grand master felt impelled to call the attention of several of the secretaries of lodges to the impropriety of employing non-masons to assist them in their secretarial duties. No doubt the grand master's timely action has put a stop to this most reprehensible practice.

THINKS REMEDY PRETTY SEVERE.

Regarding voluntary non-affiliates Brother Lavater copies Grand Master Ashley's paragraph and adds—

No doubt Illinois, in common with practically every grand jurisdiction throughout the world, has its army of non-affiliates. The means suggested by the grand master to cope with the evil are very severe, and, no doubt in the vast majority of instances, are quite justified, but in some cases to give effect to such a rule would masonically be unjust, as some brethren, either through causes outside their own control, or from perfectly legitimate motives, are, for the time being unaffiliated. It is quite possible for a brother having others dependent on him and being in poor circumstances to retire for the time being from the expenses necessitated by his connection with a masonic lodge for perfectly legitimate masonic reasons. If any such stringent action is taken as suggested, it is to be hoped that some loop hole will be left so as to deal with cases of this kind.

Lodges of Illinois are most liberal in remitting dues when brethren are unable to pay. A man who keeps his dimit in his pocket for a year certainly does not care much for the privileges of masonry and should not be permitted to enjoy them. Annual dues are nowhere excessive and one who stays out to avoid paying this small sum is certainly not entitled to feed off of the brethren who are paying to keep up the lodge.

Regarding the correspondence report of Illinois for 1910 Brother Lavater kindly says—

We do not know whether this is Brother Scott's maiden effort, but he has ably filled a difficult role. Anybody who succeeded our late Brother Robbins has been left such a high standard of excellence to live up to, that the role must necessarily be difficult to one unless endowed with sound common sense, much masonic knowledge, and the ability to express it.

It was the first and the difficulty in measuring up to the standards of Brother Robbins was insurmountable. The writer did not expect to equal or even approach his great predecessor. All he could promise was to do the best he could and that was what he did.

Grand master, C. O. L. Riley, Perth; grand secretary, J. D. Stevenson, Perth.

WEST VIRGINIA-1910.

143 Lodges.

ANNUAL.

14.070 MEMBERS.

The first returns for the review of the proceedings of Illinois for 1910 come from West Virginia. Pretty swift work was required. Their meeting began November 16, only about thirty days after Illinois closed on October 13.

The representative of Illinois is quite conspicuous. He is grand secretary and the correspondent of his grand lodge. We are much favored by having so useful a man at headquarters to protect the interests of our grand lodge.

Grand Master Clark presents an able and exhaustive review of his year's work. The death of John D. Baines, senior grand warden, is noted. The passing of our Past Grand Master John M. Penrson is mentioned.

DISPENSATIONS REFUSED.

Grand Master Clark evidently holds to the old-fashioned notion that laws are made to be obeyed and not set aside for trivial reasons. A goodly list of dispensations refused is presented. These embraced a variety of requests.

To "reballot on petitioner who had been rejected but was now highly recommended; to elect junior warden because the W.M. could fill by pro tem appointments; to send out letters soliciting aid in building operations; to "receive petition of profane who had been only seven months in jurisdiction" were some of the minor refusals. He turned down, cold, a request for permission to "participate in a fraternal parade in connection with a street fair under the auspices of another order." Brethren should understand that masonry does not make a show of itself except in the performance of a masonic duty.

All requests to confer degrees out of time were refused. No hurryup work goes in West Virginia. Grand masters in other states could profitably follow in the path of this wise brother.

Also, no permision was given to lodges to attend divine services. Many requests were refused.

DECISIONS MANY.

Brother CLARK was so wise in regard to dispensations that it may seem a little ungracious to call attention to the too liberal use of his "decision" machine. There were twenty-eight rulings reported. There is not a single case as it appears from this distance, where the question could not have been answered by reference to the grand lodge's code of laws. The decisions were of the most routine matters. Many grand masters are declining to make official rulings where the lodge might get information from the established rules and regulations.

Only one seems of interest elsewhere. It is that "a profane engaged in the sale of beer, only, is ineligible for initiation in any lodge in this grand jurisdiction."

SOME SOUND SENSE.

In closing the grand master condenses into a few lines much of masonic truth. A brief quotation will illustrate.

The lessons inculcated by the teachings of masonry, in time, resolve themselves into one great lesson: The complete and entire mastery and subjugation of one's self. This is the true spirit of masonry,—the goal towards which all the philosophy of all the masonic bodies aims.

Again he says that-

Profound belief in Deity, then, and sincere conviction in the belief that there is that in our complex nature which is immortal,—those two greatest anchors of the soul,—we have had impressed upon us in masonry; and out of these profoundest of all truths grows the true inwardness and spirit of the fraternity.

The grand secretary reports that all lodges have been supplied with the Illinois list of regular lodges.

MEXICAN TROUBLES.

West Virginia is having trouble in keeping its recognition on straight. Having recognized Valle de Mexico it finds two grand bodies of the same name claiming sovereignty over the same territory. To add to the complications the Grand Lodge of Vera Cruz now asserts its dominance over the entire republic of Mexico. Brother Howard closes his special report on Mexico as follows;

It will be seen from the foregoing that all is not peace, harmony and brotherly love with our brethren of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, yet in it all we can but realize that Mexican masonory is passing through the crucible and having the dross and impurities removed that the pure metal may be retained. We have no recommendation to make in the premises. We can only wait and see the outcome of the labor, vexations and disappointments of our brethren of this grand lodge in their worthy attempt to purify, build and maintain true and pure ancient craft masonry and principles among this hot-blooded, restless and unstable people.

Illinois has been content to let this "hot-blooded, restless and unstable people" get on safe and solid ground before it gives its OK. The label on the bottle shows too great a mixture of ingredients.

In their present dilemma steps were taken to ascertain the proper basis of recognition of grand lodges. A committee was accordingly named to answer this question, "What are recognized as the landmarks of masonry in West Virginia?" They will report next year.

The Oregon demand for uniform dimit was refused.

REVIEW OF GRAND LODGES.

Brother Howard presents his fifth report as reviewer. It is a most valuable addition to masonic lore. He reviews sixty-six grand lodges, four others failed to arrive in time. Illinois got under wire by a nose. He says "Again at the eleventh hour when about mailing the last few pages of copy to the printer along come the proceedings of the seventy-first annual communication of the grand lodge of Illinois. Rather than lay it over a year and be accused of furnishing stale news I hastily reviewed the volume." Brother Howard by his haste is the first reviewer to go over Illinois for 1910. If the brother had said nothing of his haste no one would have known it. The quality is excellent and the quantity equal to the importance of the subject.

About Brother Ashley.

He refers to Grand Master Ashley's annual report, though somewhat lengthy, as "a readable document." He says that "it shows a year of barmony and prosperity and untiring labor and zeal on the part of the

grand master and discloses for him a high order of administrative ability." He further says that "no one can truthfully say that he has not well earned the \$2,500 which Illinois pays her grand master as a salary."

The edict for documentary evidence was cordially approved.

OUR HOMES.

In closing a paragraph in review of the work of our Homes Brother Howard says—

A half-tone group picture showing the children in this Home, is an excellent reproduction from a photo, and their cheerful, intelligent faces and tidy appearance is a scene that ought to go to the hearts of Illinois masons and silence any grumbling at increased assessments or dues for their support and education.

There is no "grumbling" and there are no increased dues or assessments. Illinois has plenty of money for all purposes with grand lodge dues at 90 cents per member per year. The day of grumbling and "knocking" is past. All rejoice in the good done in our splendid Homes.

WHISTLES IN THE GRAVEYARD.

Our good brother has this to say regarding the special report for information.

Of the report on the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, no action was called for, it being in the nature of a self-congratulatory "pat-us-on-the-back" message that there was dissension and secession in this grand lodge and Illinois had always refused recognition of it. But mark you, my brother, it's only a case of the goats going to the left with the bad and the sheep to the right with the good, although the last may be "by a devilish tight squeeze," and this grand lodge will yet place masonry in Mexico on the broad principles of the ancient craft. For one, I believe in encouraging them in their laudable efforts.

Possibly so. But it looks now much as though the goats would butt the sheep to death. When that is done they can start new and start right. Splitting up one claudestine lodge into three in order to form a grand lodge does not make legitimate masonry anywhere.

Two Excellences.

The report says that—

There are two things in which I think our Illinois brethren excelone is the excellencies of their orations and the other the beauty and originality of their obituary reports. This year is no exception to the rule. The oration of R.W. Bro. Frank G. Smith, grand orator, is a gem, able and profound. The report of Bro. C. W. Harris, chairman of the committee on obituaries, is tender and sympathetic, interspersed with cloquently expressed thoughts.

Grand master, WYNDHAM STOKES, Welch; grand secretary, H. R. Howard, Point Pleasant.

WISCONSIN-1911.

264 Lodges.

67TH ANNUAL.

26,421 MEMBERS.

One year ago the proceedings of Wisconsin reached this correspondent August 26. This year they came August 8, a little less than two months after the grand lodge session.

The proceedings occupy but 287 pages as against 319 last year.

The annual session was held at Milwaukee June 13-15, 1911. A gain of 741 members is reported, though no new lodges were formed.

WAR MEMORIES.

In his address the grand master says—

Fifty years ago today this grand lodge met in seventeenth annual communication in the city of Milwaukee. The nation was stirred by the sounds of martial music and busy preparations for one of the most terrible wars of history. There was no grand master present. In explanation of this Grand Master Gabriel Bouck, in a communication to the grand lodge said;

"On the 20th of April, A. D. 1861, I became a member of a volunteer company, which, on that day tendered its services to the governor of the state, and were, on the 22d of the same month, accepted and attached to the Second Regiment, Wisconsin Active Militia, and ordered to rendezvous at Camp Randall; from the time of such enlistment, my new engagements have demanded my sole attention, to the entire neglect of my private and professional business, and in a great measure, of the duties of grand master?

He reports that there were then 119 lodges with but 3,700 members.

The passing of our two distinguished past grand masters, John M. Pearson and John C. Smith, receives attention. Later in the session the Illinois representative near the grand lodge of Wisconsin reported the death of M.W. Bro. Smith with suitable words of eulogy. In 1907 Brother Smith was made an honorary member of the grand lodge of Wisconsin. "An honor which had never before been conferred upon any mason by this grand jurisdiction."

Wisconsin Law.

The grand master thinks it wrong to discourage masters from submitting questions of law when the book of laws might answer them. Six decisions are reported. They are as follows:

1. Socials, to which the public is invited and an admission fee charged, should not be held in the lodge room.

- 2. It is lawful for a lodge to contribute of its funds to the establishing of a hospital to furnish a room in such hospital to be used by invalid masons, or to do any act of charity.
- 3. A dimit should be granted a brother entitled to one, though it be known that he intends to present it to another lodge and still reside in the jurisdiction of the lodge granting the same.
- 4. An objection to initiation, addressed to the lodge, mailed to the secretary and by him handed to the master, should be regarded.
- 5. A brother may be installed master of a lodge, though his residence at the time be in another grand jurisdiction.
- 6. Held that the fee for a special dispensation when paid by the petitioner, should be returned to such petitioner, should he be rejected.

All were approved.

The grand master refused dispensations to permit lodges "to attend church services in masonic clothing," or join in a Memorial Day" parade as lodges clothed as masons. He also refused to allow the "Order of the White Shrine of Jerusalem" to meet in lodge rooms. It was held that "low twelve clubs" or others bearing names suggestive of masonry were improper, even though the object was to raise money to assist the family of a deceased member of the club.

STILL AFFLICTED WITH THE P.M. DEGREE.

Contrary to the practice of most grand lodges Wisconsin still requires the master elect to go through the farce of taking a past master's degree. The grand master held that where a brother had taken the P.M. degree in a chapter of royal arch masons it was not necessary.

The committee on jurisprudence reversed him by deciding that he must receive the degree "in a convocation of actual past masters." This was approved.

SWEET CHARITY.

The grand master grows poetical in the following paragraph in prose form.

Without dealing in platitudes or attempting impossible flights of oratory, let us consider charity as a masonic virtue. Charity is the corner stone of our masonic fabric. Charity in its broadest sense and definition runs as a golden thread through all the warp of our masonic ritual. Without it we are as the empty shell which roars as with the roar of the ocean. The charity to forgive them who spitefully use us; charity for those who fail in the good fight and fall short of realizing the high calling—which means charity for all men, which each one of us asks and needs; a broad and liberal charity for the needy—the unfortunate—the distressed; with such charity we are masons in fact and in deed. In so far as we are lacking in such charity, in so far do we fall short of our high calling.

Among acknowledgments of the grand master is the following; "To the M.W. grand master of masons in Illinois, Bro. A. B. Ashley, for courtesies extended and kind words said."

A MASONIC PARSONAGE.

In his report the grand secretary takes occasion to say-

And when one year ago, in my absence from this lodge room and by your unanimous action, you passed a resolution which authorized the trustees of this grand lodge to provide for myself and family a home—the home in which myself and family are happily domiciled—the home which will ever awaken so many endearing thoughts of your respect and confidence—this home so comfortable, so sweet with the blessings and benediction of your love for me—this home which you have so generously bestowed upon me—I can only say in my feeble endeavor to thank you that if enthroned in the human heart love dwelleth unspotted by passion or selfishness and from its sweet influences spring the purest and noblest sentiments, then were I to speak with the tongues of men and angels I could utter no other sentiment that would convey to you the promptings of my heart than to emphasize that precious word to me, "gratitude."

This is something new under the sun—a kind of masonic parsonage for the grand secretary.

Bro. Charles C. Rogers, the Illinois representative, is recorded as present.

Recognition was given to Porto Rico under the specific name of "Gran Logia Soberano de Puerto Rico."

Being in session on June 14 the grand lodge was not too busy to pause and be patriotic. Bro. Chas. A. Brigden, W.M. of Lodge No. 80, entered bearing aloft Old Glory. P.G.M.'s John Corscot and James G. Monahan delivered fervid patriotic addresses.

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Is the fourteenth annual review of grand lodges from the able pen of P.G.M. Aldro Jenks. Even the new correspondents have learned to value Brother Jenks' reports as among the choice productions in that line. The older writers know better of their merits. He gives Illinois about four pages of his precious space. The Illinois proceedings, though smaller than formerly, he yet classes as bulky. The Illinois grand lodge is of sufficient heft to require large space. After quoting Grand Master Ashley's statement regarding non-affiliates entering the Home at Sullivan Brother Jenks says—

It is one of the objections to the giving of charity through the agency of masonic homes that it encourages these masonic dead-beats to again fasten themselves upon the fraternity, work their way into these institutions and settle down for the rest of their days to be supported by the craft.

There may be a case of unworthiness now and then entering the Home but the many worthy ones relieved more than compensates for this. If Brother Jenks could spend a few days among our eighty-seven aged dependents at Sullivan, he would assist in taking off the brakes and let Wisconsin embark in the most beneficent enterprise fostered by masonry.

COMPLIMENTS BROTHER BELL.

The correspondent says that-

The address contains a well-deserved compliment to Past Grand Master Alexander H. Bell of Illinois, who attended the conferences of grand masters held at Philadelphia and at Baltimore. Brother Bell rendered signal service, not only to his grand lodge, but to the craft in general in securing the adoption of a declaration at the latter gathering that not only was it not contemplated to organize a general grand lodge for the United States, but that such action was not desirable.

In writing of the defeat of the amendment prohibiting liquor dealers as members Brother Jenks says—

This, we think, does in no manner indicate any lax views on the part of the brethren in Illinois on this subject, but simply declares that the black ball is sufficient to enable lodges to deal with the matter as it should be dealt with. We have no doubt but that it will be practically impossible for a saloonkeeper, brewer or distiller to gain admission into the fraternity notwithstanding the defeat of this resolution.

A DOUBTING THOMAS.

The statement made one year ago regarding the ability of Illinois to support its Homes without financial embarrassment is quoted by the Wisconsin reviewer and then he adds—

We hope our brother is right and that money may prove as plentiful as he seems to think it; but the disposition of the appeal for aid to the unfortunate miners before mentioned, and the report of the committee appointed to consider the erection of a masonic temple which should be a permanent home for the grand lodge, and the further fact that an amendment, increasing the per capita tax to \$1.15 per member was introduced and goes over to the next annual communication for consideration, indicates that perhaps the grand lodge may not desire the birds to come in very large flocks.

If Brother Jenks had allowed himself the privilege of looking over the annual report of the grand treasurer for the year ending October, 1910, page 49, he would have had all his fears allayed as to the ability of our grand lodge to maintain its Homes with no fear of financial embarrassment. This report shows total assets October 3, 1910, \$164,943.13.

Appropriations for 1911—
Maintenance of the Homes\$38,000
Mileage and per diem, printing, salaries, etc 36,000
Miscellaneous expenses 2,000

Total\$76,000

The grand lodge dues for the current year will reach the sum of \$99,000, estimating our membership at 110,000. This will leave a net surplus of about \$23,000 to add to the gross assets of \$165,000. Our Homes are both entirely free of debt and Brother Jenks can see that birds coming our way would have a dangerous passage if we should desire to throw our coined surplus at them. Our brother is reminded that the amendment to increase grand lodge dues from ninety cents to \$1.15 is to provide a fund for the erection of a building to furnish permanent headquarters for the grand lodge. It now begins to look as though it might not be necessary to make this increase even if the building enterprise is undertaken. The fact that only a few years ago to prevent the building of Homes some eighty odd thousand were returned to the constituent lodges shows the vast resources of the grand lodge of Illinois. We expect to have "money to throw at the birds" even if we do build a headquarters. Our Homes are ample, paid for and doing more for the growth of masonry and for the relief of a worthy distressed brother in Illinois than all other agencies combined. Wisconsin should try this plan and see its 26,000 members speedily grow to 50,000.

Brother Jenks' opposition to the construction and maintenance of places for the relief and care of their dependents has doubtless kept Wisconsin in the small class of Homeless grand lodges.

Grand master, Alexander E. Matheson, Janesville; grand secretary, Wm. W. Perry, Milwaukee.

WYOMING-1910.

30 Lodges.

36TH ANNUAL.

2,556 MEMBERS.

With gratifying promptness the proceedings of the thirty-sixth annual communication of Wyoming have reached this reviewer's table. The session was held September 7, 1910, at Rock Springs. A well-printed book of modest proportions tells the masonic story for the year. A fine picture of HUGH HYNDS, the new grand master, is the first greet-

ing on opening the volume. During the session the grand lodge voted to insert the picture of Grand Secretary Kuykendall "in all the grand lodge proceedings for this and all succeeding years." This makes it necessary to print the picture for a long time unless the grand lodge should cease to exist.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The annual report of Birney H. Sage, grand master, is a brief but comprehensive document. He shows "a steady, healthy increase in membership and finances." There was a growth in membership of 156. He says that "Our Orphans' Home fund is gradually assuming proportions which in a few years will insure the successful erection and maintenance of such a home." For a grand lodge with but thirty lodges and 2,500 members, this certainly shows a pluck worthy of admiration. Later in the session an effort was made to provide for location of a site but on second thought this was postponed until 1914.

WYOMING LAW.

The grand master reported twelve decisions, most of which were of routine and local matters. The following are of outside interest:

Question 2.—What relation or connection, if any, is there existing between the consistory and blue lodge masonry?

Answer.—No relation or connection whatever exists between them except that all Scottish rite degrees commencing with the fourth degree are based on membership as a master mason in a craft lodge of the York rite.

Question 4.—Is the consistory, chapter R.A.M. or knights templar any more to the blue lodge than any other secret society?

Answer.—As organizations the consistory, chapter R.A.M., and knights templar are no part of our craft or blue lodge masonry, except the master masons of the latter compose the membership of said organizations. To that extent relations between the consistory, chapter R.A.M. and knights templar, and craft York rite masonry are different from those existing with other secret or fraternal societies.

A special dispensation was issued to enable a lodge to receive the petition of a paymaster in the army who had been stationed about seven months in the jurisdiction of the lodge. This was clearly contrary to the law and the grand lodge so decided.

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Is again by the veteran reviewer, W. L. KUYKENDALL. This report is very brief and deals largely with routine matters. It is insisted that as a result of the conferences of grand masters few of the perpetual jurisdiction grand lodges have changed. Attention is called to the fact

that Illinois, heretofore one of the most strenuous perpetuals, has changed to the five-year class. This is the direct result of Brother Bell's recommendation and the conferences.

Reference is made under the head of Illinois to the death of Brother ROBBINS, "the veteran reporter and the ablest member of the reportorial guild."

Brother Kuykendall seriously objects to the fact that the conferences of grand masters held at Philadelphia and Baltimore were limited to the grand lodges east of the Mississippi river. There is no reason visible why the territory should have been so restricted, except convenience in reaching the place.

Of the report on correspondence the reviewer says, "Bro. Edward Cook occupies the position of the late Brother Robbins as reporter and presented a fine report in which he does not attempt to answer our arguments in answer to Brother Robbins on question of inter-jurisdictional waiver of jurisdiction." Why should Brother Cook mix in a discussion that was closed when the great spirit of Brother Robbins went to God who gave it?

Grand master, Hugh Hynds, Laramie; grand secretary, W. L. Kuykendall, Saratoga.

ALBERTA—1911.

61 Lodges.

OTH ANNUAL.

3,823 MEMBERS

In the alphabetical list of reviews of grand lodges Alberta for 1910 appears. Since the forms containing this had gone to press the proceedings for 1911 were received.

Great prosperity is shown in this Canadian province. The net gain in membership is reported to be 840. The annual session was held at Banff. May 31 and June 1, 1911. Illinois was not represented at this meeting.

The grand master reports having visited during the year all except four lodges. These were omitted on account of his illness.

It was held that the grand master had the power to issue a dispensation to permit the masonic burial of an E.A. or a F.C.

The committee on grievances and appeals found such a state of harmony that no cases were brought before them.

The committee on foreign relations recommended that one person be designated to review proceedings of grand lodges. This was approved.

The names of Bros. John M. Pearson and John C. Smith appear in the report of the committee on fraternal dead.

There is no report on correspondence.

The proceedings are of the briefest sort and scarcely any matter is of interest outside of Alberta.

Grand master, Thos. McNabb, Lethbridge; grand secretary, Geo. MacDonald, Calgary.

SASKATCHEWAN-1911.

84 Lodges.

5TH ANNUAL.

4,000 MEMBERS.

At the very last moment come the proceedings of this young grand lodge of Western Canada. Substantial growth is shown. Though no statistics of lodges or membership are given by the grand secretary, yet the grand master shows that the gain has been about 500 in members and 11 lodges. The annual meeting was called at Regina June 21, 1911, but on account of the great coronation ceremonies in London the grand lodge adjourned until June 28. This was done so that some might attend who would otherwise be prevented.

A handsome picture of Grand Master Hopkins, with marvelously adorned apron, collar and gauntlets, graces the opening pages.

The session was prefaced by a welcome extended by "his worship Bro. P. McAra, Jr., Mayor of the City of Regina." A very interesting and spirited talk-fest ensued. "His Worship," the grand master and other Masonic dignitaries participated.

In his annual address the grand master recommends that "the rank of past D.D.G.M. be conferred on R.W. Bro. SMITH and the certificate be forwarded to his widow." This sounds queer to ears of Americans who are not wedded to mere titles. Even the dead do not escape.

Suitable mention is made of the death of P.G.M.'s Pearson and Smith of Illinois. Referring to the death of Wm. J. Hughan the grand master says—

With his death the highest authority in connection with the History of Masonry and of the ritual and usages of Freemasonry in every part of the world passed away.

DOUBTFUL DISPENSATIONS.

Thirty-six dispensations were issued, 20 being to attend "divine service," 9 to elect and install officers at other than the time fixed by constitution, 2 to attend "at Home" in regalia, 1 to confer degree in short time and 3 to receive application to initiate from jurisdiction of another lodge. Not one of these, from this distance, seems to be justified by the best usages of Masonry.

Only three decisions were reported. These are so local in character as to be of little interest outside.

The grand master complains that lodges in Scotland receive persons who are temporarily sojourning in the mother country. With much truth and force he says—

Because a man happens to be a native of Scotland our good brethren are not justified in foisting these people upon us with the hall mark of masons upon them, and in my opinion the time has arrived when this grand lodge should take strong grounds on the matter. It seems to me that the "golden rule" might be made to apply here.

DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE.

Saskatchewan has a combination receipt for dues and certificate or regularity of lodge by the grand secretary to meet the requirements of documentary evidence. It has been very satisfactory where used. The records show that an auditor is employed to go over all the accounts. They pay him \$150 for the service. This seems a pretty stiff price to pay for so small a body and with gross receipts of only about \$8,000. In Illinois our finance committee does this work involving almost \$200,000.

Bro. Arthur S. Gorrell writes the report of the committee on correspondence. This covers 232 pages, being about the size of the Illinois report for last year and this. The first ten pages are devoted to an article by Bro. E. T. Schultz of Maryland on "Making a Mason at Sight." This subject has become pretty threadbare during the last year or two.

Illinois is well treated. The reviewer says-

"God forgive us." In our report of last year we placed M.W. Bro. Bell "on the throne." This "sounds" bad, but we deny that our idea was "cracked," and as he was the representative of the Royal Solomon, he must be good metal. Brother Steele, representative of Saskatchewan, was one of the faithful.

The error is forgiven but the puns are a more serious matter.

Grand master, WM. HOPKINS, Saskatoon; grand secretary, JOHN M. SHAW, Regina.

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP

Of masonic lodges under obedience of grand lodges of the world with which the grand lodge of Illinois is in fraternal correspondence. These statistics are compiled from most reliable sources obtainable.

(Grand bodies claiming to be masonic in Germany, France, Italy, Switzerland, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Mexico, Central and South America and others are not included in these statistics.)

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Mahama	22,319	23,303	984
Alabama		23,309	
Arkansas	21,388	21,776	388
Arizona	1,661	1,807	146
Colifornia	41,007	43,675	2,668
Camorna		14,010	765
Arizona California Colorado	13,546	14,311	
Connecticut Delaware District of Columbia	22,108	22,586	478
Delaware	3,049	3,131	82
District of Columbia	8,740	8,948	208
District of Columbia		5,948	
Florida	9,083	9,501	418
Florida Georgia Idaho Illinois	32,708	35,295	2,587
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Illinois	95,629	101,692	6,063
Indiana	52,515	54,710	2,195
Iowa	41,075	42,612	1,537
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Kansas	32,072	35,496	3,424
Kentucky	32,770	35,983	3,213
Louisiana	12,414	13,014	600
Louisiana	27,004	28,328	464
Maine	27,864		
Maryland	12,838	13,468	630
Massachusetts	52,260	56,198	3,938
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Minnesota	22,987	24,944	1,957
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Missouri		01,000	
Montana	5,091	5,957	767
Nebraska	17,119	17,886	767
Kentucky Louisiana Maine Maryland Massachusetts Michigan Minnesota Mississippi Missouri Montana Nebraska New Hampshire New Jersey	10,058	10,260	202
New Trampshire	29,927	31,424	1,497
New Jersey		31,444	
New Mexico	2,127	2,572	445
New York	163,341	168,714	5,373
New 101K	1,573	1,681	108
Nevada North Carolina North Dakota			
North Carolina	18,141	20,014	1,873
North Dakota	7,137	7,581	444
Obje	75,976	79,501	3,525
VIIIO	10,510		
Ohio Oklahoma Oregon Pennsylvania Rhode Island	19,537	23,000	3,463
Oregon	9,232	9,986	754
Pennsylvania	88,126	92,135	4,009
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Rhode Island	1,149	1,404	
South Carolina	10,802	12,515	1,713
South Delecte	7,635	8,301	666
Texas Tennessee Utah Vermont Virginia	47,701	50,027	2.326
Texas	20,000		786
Tennessee	22,828	23,614	
I'talı	1,525	1638	113
Vermont	12,382	12,933	551
Vincinio	19,749	20,638	889
Alfginia			
Washington West Virginia	13,405	14,473	1,068
West Virginia	13,185	14.079	894
Wisconsin	24,946	25,680	734
Wisconsin	9 100	2,556	156
Wyoming	2,400	2,000	100
Total in the United States	1.317.123	1.387,589	70,466
Alberta	2,539	2,990	451
British Columbia	3,757	4,550	793
Holland		4,600	
nortand	43,908	16 110	2,232
Ontario	43,908	46,140	2,202
Ontario New Brunswick	2,685	5,151	597
Nova Scotia	5,673	2,770	85
Nova Scotia Prince Edward Island	697	730	33
One Lawara Island	6,045	731	3 4
Quebec		101	
Saskatchewan Manitoba England (estimated)	2,336	6,325	280
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Scotland (estimated)		100,000	
Scotland (estimated) Ireland (estimated) New Zealand		100,000	
New Zealand	9,238	10,850	1,612
South Anetrolia	3,364	3,595	231
South Australia Tasmania New South Wales		1 410	
Tasmania	1,371	1,410	39
New South Wales	12,570	13,768	1,198
Western Australia	3,751	3,687	Loss 64
Victoria	10,370	11,271	901
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Queensland (estimated)		1,850	
Total foreign grand lodges		533,918	9,650
Total masons in the world		1,911,507	80,116
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Rohemia		Chicago	Otto Polanek	Chas. B. Pavlicek.	
412 Bollen		Spring Hill.	J S. Heller	J. C. Mever.	second and fourth Saturdays of each month
882 Boulevar	ard	Chicago	Oscar D Olson	Jos. H. Norris	first and third Thursdays of each month
86 Bowen		Bowen	W. T. Gillis	Bert Willard	first and third Fridays of each month
857 Boyd D		Kirkland	H. L. Booth	M. P. Murphy	first and third Fridays of each month
	rd	Bradford	Cyrus Bocock	W. C. Mitchel	Interstay on or before full moon
	poo.	Braidwood	James W. Patterson	Nye P. Keyes	first and third Thursdays of each month
Bridgeport	port	Bridgeport	E. H. Atkin	L. D. Leach	First and third Tuesdays of each month
	in Park	Chicago	James Maclaughlan.	John H Baln	second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
791 Broadland	ands	Broadlands	J. J. Douthit	Thos. A. Dicks	Saturday after full moon and two weeks later
	ell	Assumption	L. A. Tripp	F. W. Baxmeyer	Saturday on or before full moon
282 Brooklyn	y.n	Compton	J. M. Abell	Floyd B. Johnson	First and third Wednesdays of each month
	y	Buckley	H. C. West	Elwin Hull	Wednesday on or before full moon.
399 Buda		Buda	B. H. Mosher	Thos. A. Zink	second and tourth Tuesdays of each month
	Prairie	Buffalo Prairie	Frank S. Venable	Philip H. Schriver.	Saturday on or before full moon
		Buffalo,	T. E. Orr	Robt. Flentze	
	Hill	Bunker Hill	Geo, H. Baker	John L. Clower	Thursday on or before full moon
	de	Burnside	A. C. Herbert	F. S. Jackson	Saturday on or before full moon
668 Burnt Prair	Prairie	Burnt Prairie	S. W. Cash	W. J. Calkin	Saturday on or perore full moon
274 Byron .		Byron	Ray Barrick	A. Kov Mize	Fhird Thursday of each month
237 Cairo		Cairo	Ross C. Bates	Wm. F. Gibson	second Monday of each month
47 Caledonia	nia	Olmsted	Ed. B. Gore	W. A. Bohm	Thursday on or before full moon,
792 Calnoun	n	Hardin	H. G. Edwards	wm. U. Mortiand	FIRST and United Saturdays of each month
10 Cammer		Dide Island	D. W. Dollgaci C	D. F. Cumingadam	That and third increases of each month
Cambridge.	doe	Cambridge	Oscar E. Sanonist.	John S. Smith.	First and third Thursdays of each month
348 Camden	n Sc	Camden	E. C. Dalv.	Everett Cadv. Jr	Saturday on or before full moon
Candida	9	Chicago	John C. Higgins	Chester H. Briscoe	Every Monday
575 Capron		Capron	F. D. Cornwell.	W. R. Marriett	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.
904 Carlock	Κ	Mechanicsburg	H. R. R'ddle	Elmer E. Farmer	Thursday on or before full moon
732 Carman	nn	Carman	G. W. Howell	C. B. Vaughn	Saturday on or before full moon
772 Carmi		Carmi	D. H. Boyer	Thos. H. Land	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
900 Carnation	ion	Chicago	Fred P. Sherman	Harry E. Henderson	First and third Thesdays
50 Carrollton	ton	Carrollton	Isaac Conlee	Arthur Hoag	First Monday of each month
H2 Casey.		Casey	W. G. Thompson	Ralph M. Brooke	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
23 Cass		. Beardstown	Walter F. Thron	R. B. Fulks	First and third Mondays of each month
SS Catlin.		Catlin	Alexander Gerrard.	Arthur Jones, Jr	Second and tourth Tuesdays of each month
444 Cave in Rock	1 KOCK	Cave in Rock	H. H. Frayser	Chas. S. Winn.	Saturday on or before full moon
24 Cedar.		Morris	Geo. W. Anderson	W. K. Allan. Jr.	First and third Thesdays of each month
47 Centennial	nial	Philo	Isaac Brewer	C. F. Van Vieck	second and fourth Thesdays of each month
Centra	1	Springfield	Geo. T. Dutton	Joseph O. Holland	Second Monday of each month
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011	at J. Corson Smith	Chicago	Joseph D. Roderick	Lonis Steinburg	
: :	Johnsonville	Johnsonville	M. M. Galbraith	C. E. Johnson	Pirst and third Saturdays of each month
=	Jonesboro	Jonesboro	Ed 1,ee	J. Henry Hilboldt	Second and fourth Thesdays of each month.
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316	Kenmore	Chlcago	Albert T. Maul	Frank Spensley	
98	Kensington	Chicago	II. A. Wray	G. A. Weiss	Saturday of each week
9	Kenwood	Chicago	Arthur J. Raney	Geo, M. Brosnihan .	Monday of each week
159	Kewanee	Kewanee	J. M. Thrasher	Chas. W. White	First and third Fridays of each month
633	Keystone	Chicago	P. E. Stevens	Emil Altman	Pirst and third Wednesdays of each month
31	Kilwinning	Chicago	Norton F. Stone	E. Edwin Mills	First and third Thursdays of each month
353	Kinderhook	Kinderhook	F. A. Longnecker	A. C. Bancroft,	Wednesday on or before full moon
222	King Oscar	Chicago	Nels J. Johnson	Geo. B. Hanson	First and third Fridays of each month
6	King Solomon's.	Kane	W. C. Scanland	Frederick T. Dressel	Saturday before full moon
566	Kingston	Kingston	Emmet F. Kelly	Ployd D. Kelly	Saturday on or before full moon
338	Klninandv	Kinmundy	C. A. Combs	E. R. Hensley	First and third Tuesdays in each month
30	Kishwaukee	Kingston		F. M. Stark.	Thursday on or before full moon
968	Kosmos	Chicago	R. B. Baker	Chas. S. Fuller	Every Friday of each month
19	Lacon	Lacon	R. H. Maxwell	Elias Hexter	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
	La Fayette	Grand Tower	I. M. Crow	J. T. Evans	Thursday on or before full moon
770	La Grange	La Grange		David R. Eddy	First and third Tuesdays of each month
	LaHarpe	La Harpe	C. A. Liomberger	Geo, E. Campbell	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
_	Lake Oreek	Johnston City	Will W. Adams	John Boyer	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
739	Lakeside	Chicago	J. Meek Finley	John D. Caldwell	Second and fourth Wednesdays in each month
77.4	Lake Vlew	Chicago	Geo. H. Prizzell	Albert P. Baner	Pirst and third Tuesdays of each month
629	Lambert	Quincy	C. E. Lane	Julius J. Klemme	Pirst and third Thursdays of each month
383	La Moine	La Moille	J. H. Showalter	Frank E. Dayton	*Friday on or before full moon
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423	Lanark	Lanark	E. M. Tallman	J. R. Snively	First and third Thursdays of each month
901	Lancaster	Glasford	J. I. Maple	John N. Payne	Priday on or before full moon
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503 Odin	Odin	A. J. Farthing	F. H. Robinson	First and third Tuesdays of each month
576 O'Fallon	O'Patton	H. E. Fischer	W. H. Reidelberger.	Tuesday on or before full moon
754 Ogden	Orden	J. C. Freeman	Abner Silkey	Saturday on or before full moon
897/Ogden Park	Chicago	John Watterson	Micholas Sweig	Monday of each week
814 Ohio	Obto	II. A. Jackson	A. C. Kuff	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month
506 O H Miner	Fromose	John Fry	R. F. Karr	First and third Saturdays of each month
38 Olive Branch	Danville	Lac P Cuffen	Prancis P. Kester	Myst and third Threedays of each month
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an onarga	Onarga	Cyrus B. Brewer	Ira W. Furby	Second and Johrth Tuesdays of each month
337 Oneida	Oneida	J. H. Anderson	M. F. Mitchell	First and third Fridays of each month
E3 Oquawka	Oquawka	A. F. Fawley	E. L. Werts	Wednesday on or before full moon
687 Orangeville	Orangeville	Geo. I. Cadwell	Marcus W. Gouse	First and third Thursdays of each month
Co Oregon	Oregon	R. B. Carman	J. D. Mead	First Wednesday of each month
759 Orel	Wayne City	H. C. Willeman	III. II. Clark	First and third Wednesdays of each month
323 Orlent	Lisbon	Wm. Quigley	N. J. Cobleigh	Pirst and third Saturdays of each month
33 Oriental	Chicago	Charles Catlin.	Everett J. Clark	First and third Fridays of each month
358 Orion	Union	Wm C. Miller	Adolph Kremer	Pirst and third Wednesdays of each month
367 Oxford	New Windsor.	Wm. II. Veeder	Irvin E. Veeder	Tuesday on or before full moon
66 Pacific.	Knoxville.	W S Heapv	C. T. Liken.	Pirst and third Thursdays of each month
765 Palace	Pullman	E. F. Adams	Louis E. Taylor	Phursday of each week
314 Palatine	Palatine	C. DeWitt Taylor	Wm. C. Miller	Pirst and third Saturdays of each month.
	Palestine	J. G. Nelson.	W. E. Bratton	Saturday on or before full moon
463 Palinyra	Palmvra	M. McMahon	Chas. E. Wheeler	First and Jourth Mondays of each month
226 Pana	Pana	Louis W. Paul	Benj. F. Dowell	Pirst and third Thursdays of each month
268 Paris	Paris	Edwin E. Lodge	Frank C. VanSellar.	First Thursday of each month
509 Parkersburg	Parkersburg	H. L. Parker	F. M. Rash	Saturday on or before full moon
843 Park	Chicago	Harry Hammond	Richard II. Mather.	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
899 Park Manor	Chicago	David S. Mellinger	Wm. H. Horton	Saturday of each week
613 Patoka	Patoka	James E. Wasem	J. W. D lassus	First and third Mondays of each month
675 Pawnee	Pawnee	G. E. Pulpin	Melvin Funderburk	Saturday on or belore full moon
416 Paxton	Paxton	J. D. Schwimmer	F. O. A. Anderson	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
379 Payson	Payson	Zenas V. McNutt	Chas. E. Gabriel	Thesday on or before full moon
823 Pearl	Pearl City	C. G. Robinson	M. W. Hooker	First and third Tuesdays of each month
940 Pearl	Pearl			
29 Pekin	Pekin	E W Soady	Jacob A Schwartz	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
	Peoria	S. S	C. II. Letter	Last Monday of each month
636 Pentone	Pentone	J. J. McMahon	H C Beser	First and third Thursdays of each month
574 Pera	Ladlow	Millon H. Shinker	Rheuben W. Cole	First, third, and lifth Saturdays of each month.
95 Perry	Perre	1 18 CIPAGOIV	- E Kime	Saturday on or before (ull moon
436 Philo	Port Buren	A C. Rrowstor	Alvah Gearl	Wednesday on or before full moon
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213	Pockton	Rockton	R R Hill	A V Hill	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
702	74 ROCKIOH	Dix		I. R. Walker	First and third Tuesdays of each month
3 1	Roscoe	Roscoe		. A. Ransom	Tuesday on or before full moon.
5 0	519 Roseville	Roseville	R. B. Jordan	C. P. Rav.	First and third Fridays of each month
20.5	Rossville	Rossville	:	J. S. Christman	First and third Saturdays of each month
200	sor Royal	Macedonia	W. N. Sullivan	Noah Sullivan	Saturday on or before full moon.
3	ous R. F. Casev	Kell	:	Omer V. Cummins	
5	9 Rushville	Rushville	:	Thos. S. Hodgson	Tuesday on or before full moon
15.	Russell	Georgetown	:	W. M. Nichols	First and third Tuesdavs of each month
177	Rutland	Rutland	:	H. S. Baer	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.
339	Saline	Goreville	:	Thos. Morgan	Saturday on or before full moon
96	Sam'l H. Davis	Mt. Morris	J. G. Miller	D. F. Stevens	First and third Mondays of each month
935	Sandoval	Sandoval	aker	John W. Johnson	
801	Sangamon	Fisher	:	P. T. Condit	First and third Mondays of each month
945		San Jose	::	John G. Diers	First and third Thursdays of each month
		Saunemin	:	W. A. Cording	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
	Schiller	Peoría	:	Bruno Juerjens	First Friday of each month
6.5		Carlyle	:	W. C. Shoupe	First Monday of each month
	Scottland	Scottland	J. L. Dawson	J. Frank Jennings	First and third Saturdays of each month
426	Scottville	Scottville	r	W. H. Vanbebler	Saturday on or before full moon
447	S. D Monroe	Birds	:	S. D. Daey	Friday on or before full moon of each month
535	Seneca	Seneca	y	Chas. J. Everhart	First and third Fridays of each month
	Sesser	Sesser	:	George W. Harris	Friday on or after full moon
		Antioch	-	W. F. Zeigler	First and third Wednesdays of each month
		Shabbona	:	Robert Fleweller	*Thesday on or before full moon
490		Shannon	:	H. E. Gunwall	First and third Mondays of each month
550		Tiskilwa	:	Geo. E. Welsh	second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
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241		Carbondale	:	у. К. менегі	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
		Sheldon	on 	H. Cadwallader	First and third Tuesdays of each month
735	Sheridan	Sheridan	:	Henry C. Miller	Monday on or before full moon
535	Sherman	Orion	3e	Daniel McKellop	Wednesday on or before full moon
	Shiloh	Troy Grove	::	3. H. Henry	Thursday on or before full moon
695	Shiloh Hill	Campbell Hill	:::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	J. M. Hanna	Saturday on or before full moon
212	Shipman	Shipman	:	J. W. Jones	Saturday on or before full moon
585	582 Shirley	Shirley	Edward Summers	Frank Moberly	Saturday on or before fuil moon
761	Sibley	Sibley	:	Edgar F. Johnston	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
798	Sidell	Sideli	J. A. Seybold	Peter Anderson	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month
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Andalusia	Andalusia	516		Belle Rive	Belle Rive	969	Oct. 1, 1873
Anna	Anna	530	Ξ	Belleville	St. Clair		Dec. 14, 1843
Antioch	Sequoit	3	Ţ,	Belvidere	Belvidere		Oct. 4, 1848
Apple River	Apple River	300	Oct. 1, 1861	Benton	Benton		Oct. 5, 1848.
Argenta	Argenta	871		Birds	S. D. Monroe	447	7
Arlington	Levi Lusk	3.50	Oct. 6, 1858	Berwyn	Berwyn	688	Oct. 2, 1895
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Carman	Carman	200		of so	1858	_	Chicago	Candida	8	000 Ct.	- 23	: :
Carrier Mills	Blazing Star	2.5°		-	1865	_	Chicago	Carnation	005	Oct.	. 2, 1907	:
Carrollton	Carrollton	9.0		ιć:			Chicago	Chicago	7	oct.	4, 1865	:
Carterville	Williamson	£ 5	000	j ≈	1861	_	Chicago	CICYCLUM	1		, 1000	:
Casev	(3/07	7		-			(Lawndale)	Columbian	819			:
Cathin	Catlin.	58.5		- }	1858	_	Chicago	Compass	3	0ct	13, 1910	:
Cave-in-Rock	Cave-in-Rock	Ξ:	-	<i></i> ;			Chicago	Composite	2 5	; ; ;	5, 1305	:
Centraha	Centrana	F, §	35	÷	250	_	Chicago	Constantia	?	0ct:	6, 1887	: :
Chadwick	Chadwick	X67		x	306	_	Chicago	Constellation	Ž	Oct.	3, 1906	:
Chambersburg.	Chambersburg	373	_	x.	1862	_	Chicago	Cornerstone	13	000	4, 1904	
Champaign,	. Western Star	2 T	; ; ;	681 F	· ·		Chicago	Covenant	9	00c.	1, 1×67	: :
Channahou,	. Channahon	33	_		353	_	Chicago	Damascus	888		3, 1906	:
Charleston	. Charleston	33		χć.	5	_	Chicago	D. C. Cregier	643	000	4, 1870	:
Chatham	Chatham	523	Oct.	. 1, 1867.		_	Chicago	Dearborn	210	. 1	o, Ioos	:

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Chicago	Edgewater	993	Oct. 12 1910	Chicago	Mithra	258	Oct. 5, 1864
Chicago (Englewood)	Englewood	69 878	Oct. 1, 1873 Oct, 3, 1905	Chicago (Irving Park) Chicago	Myrtle	358	Oct. 8, 1890
Chicago	Fides	₹ 2	≎ ်	Chicago (Englewood)	Normal Park	7.67	Oct. 8, 1890
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Chicago	Gil. W. Barnard	£ 2	Oct. 7, 1908	Chicago	North Shore	i i	Oct. 19, 1911 Oct. 2, 1907
Chicago	Golden Rule	256	Oct. 7, 1874	Chicago	Olympia	ŦĦ	Oct. 8, 1903
(G'nd Crossing)	(G'nd Crossing) Grand Crossing	776	Oct. 7, 1886	Chicago	Palace	13	_
(So. Chicago)	Harbor	73		Chicago			
Chicago	Herder	699	Oct. 3, 1871	(Rodgers Park) Park	Park Manor	x 2	Oct. 6, 1896 Oct. 2, 1907
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Chicago	Humboldt Park	$\frac{\pi}{x}$	Oct. 5, 1892	Chicago	Providence		0.61 8 1873
Jackson Park	Jackson Park	915	Oct. 13, 1909	Chicago	Pyramid	883	Oct. 3, 1906
	John B. Sherman	3.50	Oct. 4, 1905	Chicago	Downwar	and and and	1888
Chicago	John C. Smith	- S	Oct. 10, 1911	Chicago	Republic	: .	
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(Kensington)	Kensington	9 9	Oct. 6, 1891	Chicago	Zouth Park	2 3	Oct. 8, 1887
Chicago	Kenmore.	515	Oct. 10, 1911	Chicago	Standard	E.	Oct.
Chicago	Keystone	æ :	Oct. 5, 1869	Chicago	St. Andrews	£ 5	Oct. 8, 1993
Chicago	King Oscar	255	Oct. 5, 1898	Chicago	Thos. J. Turner	9	000
Chicago	Kosmos	300	Oct. 2, 1907	Chicago (Tracy) .	Tracy	2	Oct
Chicago	Lakeside	00 1	Oct. 3, 1876	Chicago	Triluminar	767	Oct.
Chicago	Landmark	3	Oct. 5, 1864	Chicago	Union Park	9.5	Oct.
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	Lawn	± 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 1	Oct. 5, 1892	Chicago	Veritas	86	
Chicago Lincoln Park.	Lincoln Park	: : :	Oct. 5, 1869	Chicago	Waubansia	9	
Culcago	Logan Square	5.6	Oct. 3, 1906	Chicago	Welcome	916	0 ct.
Chicago	Metropolitan	200	Oct. 1, 1901	Chicago	Wm. McKinley'	876	IOCL. 4, 1904

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Chicago (WindsorPark) Chicago	Windsor Park Wm. B. Warren	836 205	Oct.	3, 1891	Decatur. Decatur. De Kalb.	Macon Ionic De Kalb	∞ £ £ 3	າຊ ເຊື້ອຊົກ
Chicago(Woodlawn Pk)	(Woodlawn Pk) Woodlawn Park	$\frac{\pi}{x}$	Oct.	2, 1895	Delavan	De Land Delavan		Oct. 9, 1851 Oct. 2, 1851 Oct. 3, 1856
Chicago (Wright's Gro.)	Wright's Grove	67.7		7, 1886	De Soto	De Soto		
Chicago Heights Chillicothe	Chicago Heights Geo. Washington	<u> </u>		6, 1897 7, 1856	De Witt	Amoh		· ψ·
Chrisman	Bloomfield	2	00 6 6	3, 1854	Diona	Hutton		-:-
Clayton	Clayton	7		~.·	Dixon	Friendship		Oct. 6, 1811
Clifton	Chitton	ž	000		Donnelson	Donnelson	1.6	် ဗော်
Coal Valley	Valley	군			Downers Grove.	Grove		-
Cobden	Cobden	9 9 7 5	0.5	3, 1866	Du Quoin	Du Quoin		· (-
(John	New Hope	3		5, 1869	Durand	Durand	_	<u>.</u>
Colchester	Colchester	95		3, 1866	Dwight	Livingston		Oct. 1, 1861
Colfax	Colfax	30.		May 14, 1891	Earlyille	Meridian	-	ri o
Collinsville	Collinsville	2) - [- [2x, 1873	East Dubudue	East & Louis	_	Oct. 3, 1569
Collisson	Clement	7.9		3, 1871	East St. Louis	Gothic		- -
Columbia	Columbia	7			Eaton	Crawford		
Columbus	Columbus	17.00	_		Klmburst	Elimburst		
Compton	Brooklyn	26 26 27 28	_	6, 1858	Eddyville	Eddayville		001 3, 1871
Concord	N. D. Morse	9 T		o, 1990	Edinburg	Blueville	-	-
Corinth	Andrew Jackson.	35		3 1756	Edwardsville	Edwardsville		
Cornell.	Cornell	393	_	7, 1903	Effingham	Effingham		21:
Cornland	Cornland	Ê		6, 1891	Elburn	Blackberry		Oct. 3, 1860
Cottonwood	Cottonwood	Ē		Oct. 12, 1910	Elleara	El Dara		OCT. 3, 1865
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Crete	Crete	3		2000	Bikhart	Elkhart		
Chiba	Cuba	25		1. 1867	Elizabeth	Kavanaugh		Oct. 6, 1846
Dallas City	Dallas City	235	_	7, 1857	Elizabethtown	Elizabeth		Oct. 10, 1858.
Danvers	Danvers	7		3, 1876	Elliottstown	Delia		
Danville	Olive Branch	£ :	-	6, 1846	Elmwood	Horreb		Oct. 1, 1861
Davis	Evening Star	7 99	500	2.55	Flyaston	Glvaston		.t. 7, 1871
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Evans. Kaskaskia Ewing. Exeter Tarbolton	300	Ξ.	859 958	Girard	Girard	-	Oct. 3, 1855
Kaskaskia Ewing Exeter Tarbolton	55	Ë	1867	Glasford	Lancaster.	99	Oct. 6, 1851
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e Franklin Grove	564	9	œ	Hapewich	Peramid	2 2	:
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Freedom	76.	-	5.5	Hamilton	1313cF Hawk	300	
Excelsior.	6	8	255	Hamletchure	Ray City	1	. ,
Evergreen		6	255	Hinedale	Hipedale	2	9
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Hebron	Hebron	604	Oct.	6, 1868	Keithsburg	Robert Burns	113	Oct. 7, 1851
Henry	Henry	119	Oct.	4	Kinderhook	Kinderhook	353	Oct. 3, 1860
Herrin	Herrin's Prairie.	693	Oct.		Kingston	Kishwankee	207	Oct. 5, 1864
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Hinckley	Hinckley	: : :	000	ř.c	Lacon	Lacon	3 5	Oct 4 1848
Hindsboro	Hindsboro	ŝ	Oct.	4	LaFavette	7. C.	3.5	Oct. 3, 1866
Holcomb	Meridian Sun	505	Oct.	65	LaGrange	La Grange	022	Oct. 8, 1884
Homer	Homer	<u>6</u>	Oct.	:	LaHarpe	La Harpe	195	Oct. 6, 1856
Hoopeston	Star	30.	Oct.	x.	La Moille	La Moille	383	Oct. 8, 1863
Hooppole	Hooppole	XX	Oct.	÷	Lanark	Lanark	<u> </u>	Oct. 5, 1861
Hopedale	Hopedale	33	Oct.	ic.	LaSalle	Acacia		Dec. 10, I849
Hume	Edgar	6 2 2	Oct.	÷	Latham	Latham		Oct 6, 1897
Huntsville	Huntsville	465	Oct.	œ	Lawrenceville	Edward Dobbins.		Oct. 3, 1855
Hutsonville	Hutsonville	£	Oct.	'n.	Lebanon	Lebanon	=	
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Jacksonville	Packetonici II.	2.5		200	Libertyville	Libertly VIIIc.	7	ri s
Jeffersonville	Jeffersonville	9.9	35		lim:	I ima	7 K	0.000 0.000
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Johnsonville	Johnsonville	12		(Lichon	Orient	200	Oct 5 1839
Johnston City	Lake Creek	?		ı.c	Litchtield	CharterOak	3	Oct. 7, 1857
Joliet	Mt. Joliet	27	_	x 1816	Litchfield	Litchfield	517	
Johet	Matteson	175			Littleton	Littleton	99,	
Jonesboro	Jonesboro	Ξ		7, 1851	Loami	Loami	99	Oct. 4. 1865
Joy	Joy	916	Oct. 1	10, 1911	Lockport	Lockport.	538	
Kane	King Solomon's	197		7, 1856	Manlius	Manlius	300	191
Kankakee	Kankakee	£			Maple Park	Maple Park	5.	Oct. 10 1911
Kansas	Kansas	£	Oct.		Lodia	Abraham Jonas	316	Oct. 5, 1859
Karber's Ridge.	"admor"	79.1	-	8, 1899	London Mills	London	<u>x</u>	
Nell	R. F. Casey	<u>x</u>		Oct. 10, 1911	Long Point	Long Point	555	Oct. 1, 1867
Nember	Henderson	2	-	5, 1883	Loraine	Loraine	£	Oct. 2, 1
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Louisville	Louisville	961	Oct. 6, 1856	Milan	Eureka	69	Oct. 4	-
Lovinoton	Lovington	3	Oct. 7. 1857	Milford	Milford	2	Oct. 3,	_
I william	Dans	1.	_	Millimm	Antioch	1.37	Oct. 3.	1853
Landlow	Landing	100	Oct 1	Milledoeville	Milledgeville	3.15	Oct. 3.	1860
Lyndon	(1311	300	130	Milton	Milton	100	Oct 6	1858
Lynnyllle	Mailonni	0.00	200	Minior	('villed'	£5	000	1870
McHenry	MCHenry	50	1	MILITAL	Compt.	1 2	100	1000
McLean	McLean	2	0.5	MIHOHK	KOD MOITIS	7		1000
McLeansboro	Polk	137	Oct. 9,	Minooka	Мпоока	6	1100	1504
Macedonia	Royal	Ē	Oct. 6, 1	Modesto	Nitong	ž	Oct. 4,	1304
Mackinaw	Mackinaw	23	Oct. 4, 1	Moline	Doric	<u>5.</u>	Oct. 5,	1859
Macomb	Macomb	7	Oct, 2, 1843	Momence	Momence	¥	Oct. 3,	1866
Macon	South Macon	13	Oct. 3.	Monmonth	Monmouth	줐	Oct. 6,	1846
Mography	Magnolia	10.5	Oct 6	Monticello	Fraternal	π. X	Oct. 4.	1848
Makemet	Makindia		000	Montrose	Prairie City	150 251 251	Oct. 6.	1868
Mallometer	Mallometer	100	1	Morrie	Cadar	777	Oct 33	5553
Makanda	Makallud	7	5	3.6	District.	100	1000	2000
Manchester	Manchester	200	OCL. ?	MOLLISOH	Dunap	200	3	1000
Manito	Manito	927	Oct. 3, 1	Morrisonville	Morrisonville	Š	Oct. 3,	
Mansfield	Mansfield	773	Oct. 8, 1881	Morton	Groveland	325	Oct. 3,	1860
Magnon	Magnon	530	Oct. 1, 1	Mound City	Trinity	565	Oct. 1,	1867
Marcalline	Marcelline	7	Oct. 7. 1	Mount Auluirn	Kedron	9 , 2	Oct. 2,	1860
Morring	Marchae	1.50	1	Mr Carmel	Mr Carmel	5.0	Oct 7	1857
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Marine	Marine	6.6	000	Mt. Dailon	AT LINE	166	100	1860
Marion	Fellowship	Ĉ.	000	M.L. Delle	Mt. Elle	200	500	
Marissa	Marissa	ž	Oct. 4, 1	MIC MOTEIS	Samuel H. Davis.	Ç i		
Maroa	Maroa	19	Oct 4, 1	Mt. Pulaski	Mt. Pulaski	ž:	ά. Ο C:	
Marseilles	Marseilles		Oct. 5, 1	Mount Sterling	Hardin	7	Oct. 5,	1847
Marshall	Marshall	133	Oct. 4, 1	Mt. Vernon	Mt. Vernon	₩	Oct. 9	
Martinsville	Clark	603	Oct. 6, 1	Moweaqua	Moweaqua	<u>2</u>	Oct. 3,	_
Martinton	Martinton	£	Oct. 6, 1	Murphysboro	Murphysboro	<u>\$</u>	Oct. 3,	_
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Mason	Mason	213	Oct. 7. 1	Naperville	Euclid	æ	Oct. 2,	1849
Mason City	Mason City	103		Nashville	Washington	55	Oct. 4,	1848
Mattoon	Mattoon	096	Oct. 6 1	Nebo	Nelso	£	Oct. 6,	1891
Mourood	Maywood	3	Oct 7 1903	Neoga	Neoga	52.2	Oct. 6.	1858
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Metropolis City	Metropolis	<u>=</u> .	Oct. 8, 1850	New Hartiord	New Hartford	453	Oct. 4,	ggs

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New Haven	New Haven	230	Oct. 8,	1857 1876	Parkersburg	Parkersburg	509 613	Oct. 3, 1886 Oct. 5, 1869
	Newman	369	Oct. %.	1861	Pawnee	Pawnee	675 915	Oct. 3, 1871
Newton	Newton	2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	Oct. 7,	1856	Paxton	Paxton	416	
:	Oxford	367	Oct. 1.	1861	Payson	Payson	37.0	
Noble	Noble	8 8 8 8 8	200	1865	Pearl City	Pearl	⊋ ?? 5. %	Oct. 4, 1893
Normal	Normal	673	Oct. 3,	1871	Pecatonica	A. W. Rawson	145	Oct. 2 1854
Norris City	May.	218	Oct. 7,	1874	Pekin	Pekin	51 5	May 26, 1845
Norwood Park	Beacon Light	£ 5	000	855	Peoria	Peoria		Oct. 4, 1842
Oakland	Oakland	61 6	Oct. 7,	1856	Peoria	Temple		Oct. 5, 1847
Oakwood	Free Will	37.	Oct. 4,	1904	Peoria	Illinois		Oct. 6, 1858
Oak Park	Oak Park	076	000	1867	Peoria	Schiller	6.5	Oct. 3, 1869
Oconee	Oronee Oron	# 3! 5 8:	Oct. 8;	1863	Peotone	Peotone	939	Oct. 5, 1869
Odell	Odell.	10+	Oct. 5.		Perry	Perry	95	
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O'Fallon	O'Fallon	576	Oct. 6,	1868	Petersburg	Chinton	5 1	ຕ໌:
Ogden	Ogden	Č.	Oct. 4,	1877	Fine	Centennial	ĒĪ	Oct 7 1875
Ollineted	Caledonia	6 7	000	1847	Pincknevville	Mitchell	2.38	. ~
Olnev	Olnev	12	Oct. 2,	1854	Pittsfield	Pittsfield	290	Oct. 3, 1889
Omaha	Omaha	753	Oct. 7,	1874	Piper City	Piper	809	Oct. 6, 1868
Onarga	Onarga	302	Oct. 5,	1859	Plaintield	Plainfield	536	Oct. 1, 1867
Oneida	Oneida		Oct.	1860	Plainview	Plannview	197	Oct. 3, 1866
Opdyke	Ocception	£ 0	0001	1001	Dlane	Augheem	2 2	Oct 1, 1967
Oquawka	Orangeville	3 5	9.5	1879	Pleasant Hill.	Pleasant Hill	565	Oct. 1, 1867
Oregon	Oregon	0.7	Oct. 5.	1864	Pleasant Plains	Pleasant Plains.		Oct. 8, 1873
Orion	Sherman	535	Oct. 1,	1867	Plymouth	Plymouth		Oct. 7, 1858
Oswego	Raven	80	Oct. 5,	1859	Pocahontas	Gordon		
Ottawa	Occidental	7:	Oct. 7,		Polo	Mystic Tie		Oct. 6, 1856
Ottawa	Humboldt	C C	Oct. 1.	1857	Pontiac	Fontiac	# F	OCL. 9, 1599
Owaneco	Docust	3	Oct. 5		Pontoosuc	Herrick		Oct. 6, 1886
Palatine	Palatine	7 5 7 X	0.00	1897	Potomac	Potomac	6 27 F 15	Oct. 6, 1887
Palmyra	Palmyra	19	_		Prairie City	Golden Gate		
Pana	Pana	955	Oct. 7,	_	Pre-emption	Pre-emption	155	Oct. 4, 1877
Paris	Prairie	-	_	1819	Princeton	Bureau	27 6	Oct. 7, 1851
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Princeville	Princeville	360	Oct. 1, 1861	San Jose	San Jose	645	Oct. 4,	1870
Prophetstown	Prophetstown	393 393	-	Saunemin	Saunemin	33	Oct. 3,	1876
Quincy	Bodley	-	_,	Savanna	Mississippi	385	Oct. 8,	1863
Cuincy	Herman	£		Saybrook	Cheney's Grove	468	Oct. 3,	1866
Quincy	Quincy	96.7	e G	Scott Land	Scott Land	173	Oct. 3,	1876
Quincy	Lambert	699	<u>-</u>	Scottville	Scottville	436	Oct. 4,	1865
Raleigh	Raleigh	158	eć T	Seaton	Charity	838	Oct. 2,	1895
Ramsey	Ramsey	405	ř.	Seneca	Seneca	535	Oct. 1, 1	1867
Rankin	Rankin	5	 	Sesser	Sesser	816	Oct. 12, 1910	1910
Rantoul	Rantoul	92 T	ж, Т	Shabbona	Shabbona	37.4	Oct. 8,	1862
Raritan	Raritan	17	<u>_</u>	Shannon	Shannon	190	Oct. 3,	1866
Raymond	Raymond	695	_	Shawneetown	Warren	Ξ	Oct. 5,	
Red Bud	Red Bud	4		Sheffield	Ames	<u>구</u>	Oct. 2,	1854
Richmond	Richmond	7	cî cî	Shelbyville	Jackson	33	Oct. 4,	1848
Ridge Farm	Ridge Farm	93	ď.	Sheldon	Sheldon	0.09 -	Oct. 5,	1869
Kidgway	Kidgway	918	Oct. 5, 1892	Sheridan	Sheridan	735	Oct. 5,	1875
Rio	Kio	685	Oct. 1, 1872	Shipman	Shipman	33	Oct. 7,	1856
Kiverside	Riverside	39	_ ∞`	Shirley	Shirley	38	Oct. 6.	1868
Riverton	Riverton Union.	3,29	Oct. 3, 1888	Sibley	Sibley	761	Oct. 6,	1881
Robinson	Robinson	065		Sidell	Sidell.	2,08	Oct. 8,	0681
Rochelle	Horicon	7		Sildney	Sidney	3	Oct. 3,	1860
Rochester	Rochester	635	_	Silvis.	Silvis	86. 86.	Oct. 2,	1907
ROCK Fails.	Rock Falls	9.5	Ś,	Somonauk	Somonauk	979	Oct. 4,	1870
Rockford	Rockford	2	က် ကြော်	Sorento	Sorento	9	Oct 1,	1901
Kocklord	Star in the East.	99	٠.	Sparland	Sparland	7:	Oct. 4,	1865
Rockford	E. F. W. EIIIS	933	c o	Sparta	Hope	: :	Oct. 3,	1855
Book Island	LT10	ě	- ·	Speer	Lawn Kidge	6	Oct. 5	1921
Boole Island	KOCK ISLAND	200	- , - ,	Springheid	Springheid	7 ;	001 %	1889
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Roseville	Possville	i.	: -	Stampton Stamp	Stannton		000	1955
Rushville	Rushville	J 0.	· -	Stepleville	Alma	707	200	1866
Rutland	Rutland	17	i or	Sterling	Rock River	100	0.55	1860
Sadorus	J. R. Gorin	537		Stewart	Alto.	606	001	1908
Saint Charles	Unity	÷		Stewardson	Stewardson	7	Oct. 1.	1.55
Saint Elmo	Saint Elmo	769	8	St. Francisville	Steller	<u>6</u>	Oct. 13,	1909
Salem	Marion	130	Oct. 4, 1853	Stockton	Plum River	554	Oct. 1.	1867
Sandoval	Sandoval	935	Oct. 10, 1911	Stone Fort	Stone Fort	495	Oct. 3,	1866
Sandwich	Meteor	283	Oct. 6, 1838	Streator	Streator	607	Oct. 6,	1868

POSTOFFICE	NAME	NO.	СВ	CHARTERED.	POSTOFFICE	NAME	NO.	CHARTERED.
Strongburst Sublette Sullivan Summerfield	Stronghurst Sublette Sullivan Summerfield	75 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	Oct. 3, 1	1896 1860 1883 1860	Vienna Villa Grove Viola Virden	Vienna Villa Grove Viola Virden	25. 27.7 161 161 161	Oct. 2, 1854 Oct. 3, 1906 Oct. 6, 1868 Oct. 1, 1855
Sycamore Table Grove Tamaroa Tampico	Sycamore Table Grove Tamaroa Yorktown	65.52 65.53	Oct. 4, 1853 Oct. 10, 1911 Oct. 7, 1856 Oct. 4, 1870	Oct. 4, 1883 Oct. 10, 1911 Oct. 7, 1856 Oct. 4, 1870	Waldron Walnut Walpole Walshville	Aroma Walnut Tuscan Walshville	436 836 836 836 836 836 836 836 836 836 8	(သွန်းက်အွင့ (၂၈၈)
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LIST OF LODGES BY DISTRICTS

FIRST DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	Place of Meeting.
33 271 409 524 642 697 751 776 795 818 843	Oriental Blaney T. J. Turner. Evans Apollo Richard Cole Lounsbury Grand Crossing Myrtle Ben Hur Park	Chicago Chicago Chicago Evanston Chicago Chicago Barrington Chicago Chicago Chicago Chicago Chicago	29 Monroe St. Bush Temple Masonic Temple. 810 Davis St. 3120 Forest Ave. 2941 Archer Ave. Barrington 7439 Ingleside Ave. 4240 Irving Park Blvd. 2403 North Ave. N. Clark St. and Lunt Ave.
878 890 899 914 924	St. Andrews Equity Desplaines Park Manor Republic Banner Blue John Corson Smith.	Chicago Desplaines Chicago Chicago Chicago	Masonic Temple Masonic Temple Desplaines 69th and Wentworth Ave. Washington Ave. and 55th. 6734 Wentworth Ave. W. Chicago Masonic Temple

Wm. Wilhartz, D.D.G.M., 105 W. Monroe St., Chicago.

SECOND DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	Place of Meeting.
81 277 410 526 643 711 758 777 797 819 850	Vitruvius Accordia Mithra Covenant U. C. Cregier Providence Mystic Star Ravenswood Normal Park Columbian Austin	Whe ling Chicago Chicago Chicago Chicago Chicago Jefferson Chicago Chicago Chicago Chicago Chicago Chicago	Wheeling Halsted St. and North Ave. North Ave. and Halsted St. Central Masonic Temple. 2403 North Ave. Jefferson Park 6734 Wentworth Ave. 1755 Montrose Blvd. 6734 Wentworth Ave. 3625 W. 22nd St. 548 N. Park Ave., Austin.
879 891 900 915 926	Olympia C'omposite Logan Square Carnation Jackson Park Veritas Kenmore	Chicago	4229 Cottage Grove Ave 4229 Cottage Grove Ave 3117 Logan Blvd 4229 Cottage Grove Ave 1538 E 64th St 12 S. Oakley Blvd 6405 N. Clark St

Harry W. Harvey, D.D.G.M., 7211 Lexington Ave., Chicago.

THIRD DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	Place of Meeting.
141 G 308 A 411 H 540 O 662 Sc 716 C 765 P 779 W 800 K	arden City shlar esperia ak Park outh Park	Chicago Chicago Chicago Chicago Oak Park Chicago Blue Island Chicago Chicago Chicago	Masonic Temple 29 W. Monroe St. Oak Park Washington Ave. and E. 55th Blue Island Market Blvd., Pullman Clark St. and Belmont Ave. 4229 Cottage Grove Ave Harvey
865 St 880 Jo 892 C 901 E 916 W 927 C	nicago Heights Cecelia hn B Sherman nstellation dgewater elcome andida stice	Chicago Chicago Chicago Chicago Chicago Chicago Chicago Chicago Chicago	Chicago Heights Masonic Temple 47th St. and Ashland Ave 3518 N. Marshfield Ave 1737 Evanston Ave Masonic Temple Masonic Temple 12 S. Oakley Blvd

Harry A. Dever, D.D.G.M., 6925 N. Ashland Blvd, Chicago.

FOURTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name,	Location.	Place of Meeting.
160 Wa	ubansia	Chicago	. Masonic Temple
310 Dea	arborn	Chicago	
	ndmark		
	sing		. 1500 North Clark St
669 Hei	rde r	Chicago	. 1368 Blue Island Ave
	ana		. W. Chicago Masonic Temple
	luminar		. 2939 E. 91st St
	oam		
	nsington		
836 Win	ndsor Park	. Chicago	. 75th St. and Coles Ave
	ghton Park		. 3811 Archer Ave
		Maywood	. Maywood
SS2 Box	ilevard	. Chicago	
	pia		. 9231 Cottage Grove Ave
		Chicago	. Lexington Ave. and 64th St
			. 1229 Cottage Grove Ave
			. 1215 Wilmette Ave

Albert Roullier, D.D.G.M., Fine Arts Bldg., Chicago.

FIFTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Loca	ation.	Place of Meeting.
182 Gern 311 Kilv 437 C'hic 610 Uni 674 Wal 726 Gold 768 Miz	mania vinning ago on Park deck leck pah	Chicago Chicago Chicago Chicago Chicago Chicago Chicago		1500 North Clark St
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David D. King, D.D.G.M., 1234 Congress St., Chicago.

SIXTH DISTRICT.

Nō.	Name.		Loca	ation.	l'Iace of Meeting.
	B Warren.				
					Palatine
					W. Chicago Masonic Temple
611 Lin	coln Park .		Chicago		1500 N. Clark St
	field				
-731 Hai	bor		Chicago		2939 91st St
770 LaC	Trange		LaGrang	e	
	icon Light .				Norwood Park
	mboldt Park				3636 Armitage
	odlawn Park				64th St. and Lexington Ave.
	tropolitan 🕡				1035 W. Madison St
	ner-Stone				
	nascus				61th and Lexington Ave
	smos				55th and Halsted Sts
	· Hive				4229 Cottage Grove Ave
					4201 S. Halsted St
938 Circ	cle	 .	Oak Par	rk	Harrison Pl & Clarence Av.

Wm. H. Bied, D.D.G.M., 6048 Langley Ave., Chicago.

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name,	Location	Place of Meeting.
211	Cleveland	Chicago	Masonic Temple
393	Blair	Chicago	29 W. Monroe St
	Home	Chicago	3120 Forest Ave
	Keystone		1500 N. Clark St
690	Englewood	Chicago	6734 Wentworth Ave
	Lakeside		3120 Forest Ave
	Lake View		912 LaSalle Ave
	Auburn Park		79th and Lowe Ave
	Lawn		Chicago Lawn
	Fides		119th and Wallace
862	Riverside	Riverside	. Riverside
	William McKinley		Masonic Temple
	America		29 W. Monroe St
	Ogden Park		6319 S. Ashland Ave
	Aaron		6734 Wentworth Ave
	East Gate		Masonic Temple
943	Bohemia	Chicago	12 S. Oakley Blvd

E. C. Tillotson, D.D.G.M., Ill. Athletic Club, Chicago.

EIGHTH DISTRICT.

No	Name.	Location	County.
63	St. Marks	Woodstock	McHenry
138	Marengo	Marengo	McHenry
143	Richmond	Richmond	McHenry
	McHenry		
	Nunda		
			McHenry
			McHenry
			McHenry
			Lake
115	Rising Sun	Gray's Lake	Lake
	Antioch		
	Wauconda		
	Libertyville		
676	A. O Fay	Highland Park	Lake
827	Sequoit	Antioch	Lake

C J. Wightman, D D.G.M., Gray's Lake, 111.

NINTH DISTRICT.

No	Name.	Location.	County.
60	Belvidere	Belvidere	Boone
		Capron	Boone
7.4	Rockton	Rockton	Winnebago
7.5		Roscoe	Winnebago
102	Rockford		Winnebago
145	A. W. Rawson	Pecatonica	Winnebago
166	Star-in-the-East		Winnebago
173	Cherry Valley	Cherry Valley	Winnebago
302	Durand	Durand	Winnebago
633	E. F. W. Ellis	Rockford	Winnebago
745	Winnebago	Winnebago	Winnebago
	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 H	anover	. Hanover	Jo Daviess
36 K	avanaugh	, Elizabeth	do Daviess
		. Galena	
		. Warren	
		. East Dubuque	
		. Stockton	
188 Cv	rus	. Mt. Carroll	Jo Daviess Carroll
		. Milledgeville	
		, Savanna	
		. Lanark	
		Shannon	
		. Thomson	
867 CI	adwick	. Chadwick	Carroll

J. L. Brearton, D.DG M., Savana.

ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
134	Sycamore	Sycamore	De Kalb
	De Kalb		De Kalb
	Meteor		De Kalb
288	Genoa	Genoa	De Kalb
	Hinckley		De Kalb
	Shabbona		De Kalb
402	Kishwaukee	Kingston	De Kalb
-646	Somonauk	Somonauk	De Kalb
	Waterman		
	Boyd D		
9.6	Samuel H. Davis	Mt. Morris	Ogle
187	Mystic Tie	Polo	Ogle
	Horicon		
		Byron	
-320	Creston	Creston	
	Oregon		Ogle
505	Meridian Sun	Holcomb	Ogle

Albert E. Hammerschmidt, D.D.GM, Sycamore

TWELFTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
48 90 117 139 190 254 359 404 413 912 522 303 323 428 471 269	Unity Jerusalem Temple Elgin Geneva Dundee Aurora Blackberry Batavia Hampshire Maple Park Monitor Itaven Orient Sunbeam Kendall Euclid Wheaton	St. Charles Aurora Elgin Geneva Dundee Aurora Elburn Batavia Hampshire Maple Park Elgin Oswego Lisbon Plano Vorkville Naperville Wheaton	Kane Kane Kane Kane Kane Kane Kane Kane
$\frac{821}{934}$	Amity		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	Tampico	Whiteside
667	Erie	Erie	3371. 24 . 23
750	Lyndon	Lyndon	Whitesida
936	Rock Falls	Rock Falls	Whiteside
7	Friendship	Dixon	Lee
	Lee Centre		
178	Illinois Central	Amboy	Lee
205	Corinthian	Paw Paw	Lee
	Franklin Grove		
	Brooklyn		
	Subletto		
	Ashton		
	Alto		

J. E. Wheat, D.D G M., Sterling.

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
	Woodhull		
535	Sherman	Orion	Henry
	Clement		
886	Hooppole	Hooppole	Henry
5.7	Trio	Rock Island	Rock Island
6.9	Eureka	Milan	Rock Island
	Doric	Moline	Rock Island
436	Philo	Port Byron	Rock Island
516	Andalusla	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.
142 A 231 V	ureau mes Vyanet	Sheffield	Bureau
383 L 399 B 550 S	evi Luska Moilleudaharon	La Moille Buda Tiskilwa	Bureau Bureau Bureau
722 V 803 N 805 S	eponset M. Dalzell	Walnut Neponset Spring Valley	Bureau Bureau Bureau
814 O 933 N 103 N	hio [anlius [agnolia acon	Ohio Manlius Magnolia	Bureau Bureau Putnam Marshall
119 H	lenry Tenona parland	Henry Wenona	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	
	Occidental		La		
	Acacia		La	Salle	
	Mendota			Salle	
183	Meridan		La	Salle	
194	Freedom		La	Salle	
364	Tonica	Tonica	La	Salle	
384	Waltham	Waltham	La	Salle	
397		Troy Grove		Salle	
417	Marseilles			Salle	
477	Rutland			Salle	
532	Senaca	Seneca		Salle	
555	Humboldt			Salle	
607		Streator		Salle	
735	Sheridan			Salle	
	Utica		La	Salle	
870	Lostant		La	Salle	
558	Leland	Leland	La	Salle	

Wm. P. Grube, D.D.G M , LaSalle.

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
		. Joliet	
		. Joliet	
		. Wilmington	
		. Channahon	
		. Plainfield	
		. Lockport	
		. Peotone	
		. Braidwood	
		. Crete	
		, Elwood	
			Grundy
			Grundy
		. Gardner	
		. Verona	

William W. Smith, D.D GM., Joliet.

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT.

No	Name.	Location.	County.
378 A	roma	Waldron	Kankakee
389 K	rant Park ankakee	. Grant Park Kankakee	
481 M	omence	. Momence	Kankakee
305 O	narga	Milford Onarga	Iroquois
-316 Al -429 Cl	oraham Jonas nebanse	Loda Chebanse	Iroquois
446 W	atseka H. Miner	. Watseka	Iroquois
-591 G	lman	Gilman	Iroquois
609 SI 634 Bi	ieldon ickley	Sheldon Buckley	
-688 CI	ifton artinton	Clifton	Iroquois

W. I. Holcomb, D.D.G.M., Kankakee.

NINETEENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
	Pontiae		
	Tarbolton		
	Livingston	Odell	
	Chatsworth		
	Long Point		
	Forrest		
	Saunemin		
	Cornell Paxton		Livingston Ford
		Piper City	
	Norton	Cabery	Ford
		Gibson City	
		Sibley	
011	MCIVIII	MENTIL	rond

W. A. Hoover, D.D.G.M., Gibson City.

TWENTIETH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
930 Jose	ph Robbins	Peoria	Peoria
		Peoria	
		Glasford	
		Chillicothe	
335 Schi	ller	Peoria	Peoria
		Princeville	
		Alta	
246 El 3	Paso	El Paso	Woodford
		Minonk Eureka	
		Washburn	

John C. Weis, D.D.G.M., Peoria.

TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

No	Name.	Location.		County.
	ific			
	na			
		. Abingdon	Knox .	
	taga			
330 Alte		. Altona		
337 One	10a	. Oncida Yates City	Knox .	
		. Maquon		
584 Ves	per	. Galesburg	Knox .	
		. Rio	Knox .	
793 A.	T. Darrah	. Victoria		
		. Toulon		
415 Lav	n Ridge	. Speer		
479 WY	oming	. Wyoming		
501 Star	'K	. La Fayette		
914 Bla	atora	. Bradford	restrate, .	

C. T. Holmes, D.D.G.M., Galesburg.

TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
59 Nev	v Boston	. New Boston	Mercer
	ert Burns	. Keithsburg	Mercer
252 Ale		. Aledo	
367 OX1	ord	New Windsor Viola	Mercer
755 Pre	emption	Pre-emption	Mercer Mercer
838 Cha	arity	. Seaton	Mercer
946 Joy		. Joy	Mercer
		. monmouth	
		. Kirkwood Roseville	
		. Alexis	
		. Oquawka	
	ritan		Henderson
		. Carman	
847 Str	onghurat	. Stronghurst	Henderson

D. E. Farr, D.D.G M, Aledo.

TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
$\frac{283}{248}$		Blandinsville Prairie City	McDonough McDonough McDonough McDonough
$\frac{327}{496}$ 572	T. J. Pickett Industry Colchester Bardolph	Industry Colchester Bardolph	McDonough McDonough McDonough
$egin{array}{c} 100 \ 104 \ 116 \ \end{array}$	Good Hope Astoria Lewistown Vermont	Astoria Lewistown Vermont	McDonough Fulton Fulton Fulton
$\frac{213}{253}$	Farmington Ipava Avon Harmony Fairview	Ipava	Fulton Fulton Fulton Fulton
$\frac{734}{848}$	Cuba Morning Star London Table Grove	Canton	Fulton

L. M. Morton, DD G.M., Canton.

TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

No	Name	Location.	County.
20	Hancock	Carthage	Hancock
193	Herrick	Pontoosuc	Hancock
195	La Harpe	La Harpe	Hancock
235	Dallas City	Dallas City	Hancock
238	Black Hawk	Hamilton	Hancock
257	Warsaw		Hancock
286	Plymouth	Plymouth	Hancock
295	Dills	West Point	Hancock
3.18	J. L. Anderson	Augusta	Hancock
461	Denver	Denver	Hancock
486	Bowen	Bowen	Hancock
618	Basco	Baseo	Hancock
		Burnside	
	Flyaston		
	Rushville		Schuyler
	Huntsville		
	Camden		Schuyler
	Littleton	Littleton	Schuyler
935	La Moine	Brooklyn	Schuyler

E. M. Crain, D.D.G.M., Augusta,

TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
	Pekin	Pekin	
	Taylor Empire	Washington Pekin	
132	Mackinaw	Mackinaw	Tazewell
352	Groveland	Morton	Tazewell
	Tremont Hopedale		Tazewell
641	Comet	Minier	Tazewell
165	Mt. Pulaski	Atlanta	Logan
	Logan		T
808	Cornland	Cornland	Logan
	Latham Elkhart		

L. W. Lawton, D.D.G.M., Delavan.

TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.	
43 Bloc	omington	. Bloomington	McLean	
	Roy		McLean	
	worth		McLean	
	noa		McLean	
	nevs Grove		McLean	
	ean		McLean	
482 Lex	ington	Lexington	McLean	
512 Wac	le Barney	. Bloomington	McLean	
542 Tox	anda	. Towanda	McLean	
582 Sh ii	lev	. Shirley	McLean	
656 Moz	art	. Bloomington	McLean	
673 Nor	mal	. Normal	McLean	
737 Arr	owsmith	. Arrowsmith	McLean	
742 Dan	vers	. Danvers'	McLean	
	av	Colfax	McLean	
911 Bell	flower	Bellflower	McLean	

H. M. Palmer, D.D.G.M., McLean,

TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

No	Name.	Location.	County.
38 154 265 285 527 590	Olive Branch Russell Vermillion Catlin Rossville Fairmount Ridge Farm	Georgetown Indianola Catlin Rossville Fairmount	Vermilion Vermilion Vermilion Vermilion
709 714 725 782 798	Star Collison Rankin Potomac Sidell Free Will	Hoopeston Collison Rankin Potomac Sidell	Vermilion Vermilion Vermilion Vermilion Vermilion

C. L. Sandusky, D.D.G M, Danville.

TWENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name,	Location.	County.
157 Urb	ana	L'rbana	Champaign
199 Hor	ner	. Homer	Champaign
220 Mal			Champaign
240 Wes	stern Star		
347 Sidi	ney		
391 Tol	ono	Tolono	
470 Rar	itoul		Champaign
	R. Gorin		
574 Per	a	Ludlow	
	itennial		
	len		
	adlands		
	gamon		
	ternal		Piatt
	nent		
		. Cerro Gordo	
651 Atv			
773 Mai		. Mansfield	Piatt
812 De	Land	. De Land	Piatt

Wilson P. Jones, D.D.G.M, Tolono.

TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
84 D	e Witt	Clinton	DeWitt
172 W	ayne	Waynesville	. DeWitt
261 A	mon	De Witt	. DeWitt
		Farmer City	. DeWitt
	čeldon		. DeWitt
		Kenney	
		Decatur	
		Decatur	
		Harristown	
		Maroa	
		Macon	
		Blue Mound	
871 A	rgenta	Argenta	. Macon

A. T. Summers, D.D.G.M., Decatur.

THIRTIETH DISTRICT.

4 Springfield Springfield Sar	
71 Central Springfield Sar 203 Lavely Williamsville San 333 Tyrian Springfield Sar 354 Ark and Anchor Auburn Sar	ngamon

THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
88	Havana	Havana	Mason
	Mason City		
	Manito		
	San Jose		
	Ashland		
23	Cass	Beardstown	Cass
	Virginia		
	Chandlerville		
	Harmony Benevolent		
	Waverly		
	N. D. Morse		
	Gill		
	Murrayville		
	Jacksonville		
616	Wadley	Franklin	Morgan

Truman P. Carter, D.D.G M., Jacksonville.

THIRTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
44	Hardin	Mt. Sterling	Brown
108	Versailles	Versailles	Brown
430	Kendrick	Mound Station	Brown
34	Barry		Pike
4.5	Griggsville		
95	Perry	Perry	Pike
	New Salem		
353		Kinderhook	Pike
	Chambersburg		
388	El Dara	E' Dara	Pike
	New Hartford		
	Pleasant Hill		
	Time		Pike
	Pittsfield		Pike
	Nebo	Nebo	
	New Canton		
	Rockport	ROCKPORT	Pike
	Hull	Hull	
940	Pearl	Pearl	[Pikθ

W. W. Watson, D.D.G M., Barry.

THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

No	Name.	Location.	County.
1 Bod	lley	Quincy \dam	s
39 Hei	man	. Quincy \dam	
114 Ma	rcelline	. Marcelline \dam	
135 Lin	na	Lima\ \dam	s
147 Cla	yton	. Clayton Adam	S
227 Col	umbus	. Columbus Adam	s
266 Kir.	gston	. Fairweather \dam	s
267 La	Prairie	. Golden Adam	S
-296 Qui	ney	QuincyAdam	8
	ijamin	Camp Point Adam	
379 Pay		Payson Adam	
380 Lib		. Liberty Adam	
449 Mei		Mendon Adam	
529 Ada		Plainville Adam	٩
659 Lar			18
893 Lor	aine	. Loraine \dam	ıs

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
592	Fieldon	Fieldon	Jersey
5.0	Carrollton	Carrollton	Greene
80	Whitehall	Whitehall	Greene
	Greenfield		
197	King Solomon	Kane	Greene
796	E. M. Husted	Roodhouse	Greene
105	Winchester	Winehester	Seott
229	Manchester	Manchester	Scott
424	Exeter	Exeler	Scott
846	Bluffs	Bluns	Scott

Ralph M. Riggs, D.D.G.M., Winchester.

THIRTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
76 151 152 161 171 177 212	Mt. Nebo Bunker Hill Fidelity Virden Girard Staunton Shipman	Carlinville Bunker Hill Medora Virden Girard Staunton Shipman	Macoupin Macoupin Macoupin Macoupin Macoupin Macoupin Macoupin Macoupin Macoupin
249 426 445 461 463	Gillispie Hibbard Scottville Chesterfield Plainview Palmyra Nifong	Brighton Scottville Chesterfield Plainview Palmyra	Macoupin Macoupin Macoupin Macoupin Macoupin

E. R. Turnbull, D.D G.M., Carlinville.

THIRTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

No	Name.	Location.	County.
906	Coffeen	Coffeen	Montgomery
5.1	Mountain Moriah	Hillsboro	Montgomery
236	Chartered Oak	Litelifield	Montgomery
255	Donnelson	Donnellson	Montgomery
-155	lrying	Irving	Montgomery
456	Nokomis	Nokomis	Montgomery
475	Walshville	Wal hville	Montgomery
517	Litchfield	Litchfield	Montgomery
670	Fillmore	Fillmore	Montgomery
692	Raymond	Raymond	Montgomery
245	Greenville	Greenville	Bond
473	Gordon	Pocahontas	Bond
809	Gillham	Woburn	Bond
861	Sorento	Sorento	Bond

R. E. Giffiord, D.D.G M., Hillsbore,

THIRTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location	County.
266 Pa 340 Ke 451 Bi 585 Fi 623 Lo	ound ina edron omwell sher	Taylorville Pana Mount Auburn Assumption Grove City Owaneco Edinburg	Christian Christian Christian Christian Christian Christian Christian
681 M 53 Ja 180 M 322 W 392 Oc 403 To 541 St	orrisonville ckson owequa indsor onee ower Hill ewardson	Morrisonville Shelbyville Moweaqua Windsor Oconee Tower Hill Stewardson	Christian Shelby Shelby Shelby Shelby Shelby Shelby Shelby
		Cowden	

A. M. Bloxam, D.D.G.M., Taylorville.

THIRTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

No	Name.	Location	County
35 C	harleston	. Charleston	Coles
			Coles
219 O	akland	. Oakland	Coles
260 M			Coles
	shmore		
	uddy Point		
	erna		
	uscola		
	rcola		
	ewman		
	amargo		
	indsboro		
	illa Grove		
	ovington		
	iles Hart		
		. Sullivan	
	rthur		
	ethany		

Frank F. Callino, D.D.G.M., Arcola.

THIRTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location	County.
125 Gre	enun	Greenup	. Cumberland
279 300	000	Neoga	. Cumberland
500 Has	al Dell	Hazel Dell	Cumberland
698 Hu	ton	Diona	. Cumberland
			. Cumberland
122 1101	rehall	Marshall	Clark
313 Yor	de	York	. Clark
442 Cas		Casey	
		Martinsville	
coo Cia	rk	Cohn	Clark
950 Zer	vnope	Donis	Edgar
		Paris	
148 Blo	отпена	Chrisman	. Edgar
268 Par	1s	Paris	. Edgar
280 Kar	ısas	Kansas	. Edgar
408 Str	atton	Vermilion	. Edgar
743 Seo	tt Land	Scott Land	. Edgar
829 Eds	ar	Hume	Edgar <u></u>

H. Gasaway, D.D.G M., Martinsville.

FORTIETH DISTRICT.

No	Name.	Location	County.
		Newton	
		Willow Hill	
			Jasper
			Crawford
849 Pale	estine	 Palestine	Crawford
			Richland
			Richland

W. H. Rupe, D.D.G M., Olney.

FORTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location	County.
		Effingham	
484 Edg	gewood	 Mason Edgewood	Effingham
525 Del 533 Alt	ia amount	 Elliottstown	Effingham
578 Pra	airie City	 Montrose	Effingham
664 Ma	yo	Watson Winterrowd	Effingham
		Beecher City Vandalia	
405 Rai	msey	 Ramsey	Fayette
		St. Elmo	

C. O. Faught, D.D.G.M., Altamont.

FORTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location	County.
196 I	ouisville	Louisville	Clay
204 1	lota	Flora	Clay
	Kenia		
488 €	"lay City	. Clay City	Clay
	ola		
130 2	darion	. Salem	Marion
			Marion
			Marion
503 C)din	.¦Odin	Marion
	. D. Moody		
613 1	atoka	. Patoka	Marion
	Sandoval		
	R. T. Casey		
	Fairfield		
	Jount Erie		
	effersonville		
	ohnsonville		
	orel		
925 3	Jolenna	. Golden Gate	Wayne

C. N. Hambleton, D.D.G.M., Jeffersonville.

FORTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

No	Name.	Location	County
79 Sc	ott		. Clinton
TOSLIL	enton	. Trenton	. Chnton
25] Fr	anklin	Upper Alton	. Madison
27] Pia	asa	Alton	Madison
99 Ed	wardsville	. Edwardsville	. Madison
355 Ma	rine	. Marine	. Madison
			. Madison
			. Madison
583 Hi	ghland	. Highland	Madison
588 Tr	oy	. Troy	. Madison
			. Madison
835 Tr	iple	. Venice	. Madison
877 Gr	anite City	. Granite City	. Madison

Lysanius Caywood, D.D.G M., Alton.

FORTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location	County
		Belleville	
		Lebanon	
	ummerfield		
		Mascoutah Freeburg	
		East St. Louis	
576 O	'Fallon	O Fallon	St. Clair
	othic	East St. Louis	St. Clair
	larissa	Marissa	Monroe
787 M	olumbia orris	Waterleo	Monroe
72 C	hester	Chester	Randolph
86 K	askaskia	Evansville	Randolph
162 H	ope	Sparta	Randolph
427 R 497 A	ed Bud lma	Steeleville	Randolph

I. H. Todd, D.D.G.M., East St. Louis.

FORTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location	County.
55 X	Vashington	Nashville	Washington
153 C	lay	Ashley	Washington
31 3	It. Vernonefferson	Ordyke	Jefferson
	Belle Rive		Jefferson
721 F	Rome	Dix	Jefferson
64 E	Benton	Benton	Franklin
	rankfort		Franklin
744 G		Valier	Franklin
749 A	kin	Thompsonville	
807 F			Franklin
	esser	Y	Perry
207 T	amaroa	Tamaroa	Perry
234 L	Ou Quoin	Du Quoin	Perry

D. G. Fitzgerrell, D.D.G.M., Ewing.

FORTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
912 Stel	lar	. St. Francesville .	Lawrence
164 Edw	ard Dobbins	Lawrenceville	Lawrence
334 Sum	ner	Sumner	Lawrence
386 Brid	Igeport	Bridgeport	Lawrence
447 S. I) Monroe	Birds	Lawrence
356 Her	mitage	Albion	Edwards
866 Wes	st Salem	West Salem	Edwards
239 Mou	int Carmel	Mount Carmel	. Wabash
752 Alle	ndale	Allendale	. Wabash
200 Shel	ba	Grayville	White
272 Car	mi	Carmi	. White
668 Bur	nt Prairie	Burnt Prairie	. White
677 Enfi	eld	. Enfield	. White
718 Max		Norris City	. White

J. R. Ennis, D.D.G.M., Burnt Prairie.

FORTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
137 Pol	k	McLeansboro	Hamilton
630 Tus	can	Walpole	. Hamilton
807 Roy	al	Raleigh	Hamilton
225 Har	eign rishurg	Harrisburg	Saline
458 Bla:	zing Star	. Carrier Mills	. Saline
495 Stor	ne Fort	Stone Fort	Saline
		Gallatia Eldorado	
		Equality	
14 Wa:	rren	Shawneetown	Gallatin
		New Haven	
Sie Dia	ana	Omaha Ridgway	Gallatin Gallatin
920 Cot	tonwood	Cottonwood	Gallatin

I. A. Foster, D.D.G.M., New Haven

FORTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
241 Sh	ekinah	Carbondale	Jackson
287 De	Soto	De Soto	Jackson
		Makanda	
		Murphysboro Grand Tower	
		Campbell Hill	
833 De	an	Ava	Jackson
89 Fe	llowship	Marion	Williamson
484 An	erine Prairie	Corinth	Williamson
		Wolf Creek	
729 La	ke Creek	Johnston City	Williamson
		Carterville	
814 Cr	al Springs	Creal Springs	Williamson

M. Ozment, D.D.G.M., Johnston City.

FORTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location	County.
150 Vie	nna	Vienna	Johnson
336 Nev	v Columbia	Ganntown	. Johnson
339 Sal	ine	Goreville	. Johnson
41a Rei	nolasburg	Tunnel Hill	
		New Burnside	
118 Gui	knop	Grantsburg Belknap	r 1
		Jonesboro	17
		Cobden	
		Anna	
581 Dor	ngola	Dongola	Union
627 Uni	on	Lick Creek	Union
		Alto Pass	
237 Cai	ro	Cairo	. Alexander

C. H. Thompson, D.D.G.M., Cairo

FIFTIETH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location	County.
			Hardin
		Cave-in-Rock	Hardin
131 Gol	conda	Golconda	Pope
		[Eddyville Temple Hill	Pope
771, Bay	City	Hamletsburg	Pope
		Metropolis Brookport	
47 Cal	edonia	Olmsted	Pulaski
		Grand Chain Mound City	

E. J Cowling, D.D.G.M., Metropolis.

DEFUNCT LODGES.

0	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY	CHARTERED.	BECAME DEF'T	REMARKS,
	Far West	Galena	JoDaviess	April 29, 1840		Charter was never issued
. 49	6 Columbus	Columbus	Adams	April 29, 1840	1845-6	Surrendered
10	Joliet	Joliet	Will	Oct. 5, 1841	Oct. 15, 1845	Revoked
Ξ:	Cass	Virginia	Cass	Oct. 4, 1945	Oct 2 1813	Reschided and continued U. D
2 9	Kising Sun	Montrose	Coop	Oct 9 1848	Oct 1864	Arrested
- G	La Fayette	Water	Hancock		May 9 1847	Surrendered
. €		Wilwankee	Wisconsin*	Oct 9 1843		Transferred to Inrisdiction of Wisconsin
98		Henderson	Knox	Oct. 7, 1844	March 22, 1902.	Arrested
. G1		Waterloo	Monroe	٠, ٠	1874-5	Arrested
30		Canton	Fulton	Oct. 6, 1845,	July, 1875	Arrested
66		Chicago	Cook	Oct. 6, 1845	Oct. 1848	Surrendered
17		Galena	Jo Daviess	:	Oct. 6, 1852	Forfeited
Ž.	Reclamation	Nauvoo	Hancock	:	July 5, 1882	Surrendered
56	Pittsfield	Pittsfield	Pike	:	Oct. 27, 1886	Forfeited
33	Jerusalem	Oregon	Ogle	:	Oct. 4, 1853	Forfeited
99	Naples	Naples	Scott	Oct. 2, 1849	Sept. 16, 1892	Arrested
20	Social	Hennepin	Putnam	Oct. 1849		Surrendered
33	Batavla	Batavia	Kane	Oct. 1849	_	Surrendered
36	82 Metamora	Metamora	Woodford	Oct. 8, 1850	1884-85	Surrendered
83	Iroquois	Middleport	Iroquois	Oct. 8, 1850		No record
6	Morning Sun	Jersevřille	Jersey	Oct. 8, 1850	1862-63	Surrendered
101	Madison	Upper Alton	Madison	_	1861-62	Surrendered
107	Favette	Farette	Greene	Oct. 6, 1851	Aug. 16, 1875	Arrested
115	12 Bureau	Princeton	Bureau	Oct. 2, 1851	Feb. 2, 1911	Consolidated with Princeton Lodge No 587
120	20 Jacksonville	le	Morgan	Oct. 5, 1852	1854‡	No record
121	Cataract	y's Falls	Minnesota	Oct. 5, 1852		Transferred to Jurisdiction of Minnesota
163	163 Westfield		Clark	Oct. 3, 1855	Dec. 20, 1894	Surrendered
167	Oswego	Oswego	Kendall	Oct. 2, 1855	Feb. 7, 1859	Surrendered
181	Moultrie	Sullivan	Moultrie	_	May 5, 1879	Arrested
187	Nebraska	Belleview	Nebraska *	Oct. 3, 1855		Transferred to Jurisdiction of Nebraska
186	86 Fort Armstrong	Rock Island	Rock Island	9	March 9, 1863	Consolidated with Trio No. 57
191	Xenia	Xenia	Clay	6	July 27, 1871	Surrendered
198	198 Grand View	Grand View	Edgar	Oct. 6, 1856	Feb. 9, 1889	Surrendered
		i Dudley				
202	202 Sterling	Sterling	e	Oct. 6, 1856	:	Annulled
215	Weir	Six Mile	Ξ,	Oct. 7, 1856	1861-2	Surrendered
223	223 Keeney	Edgington	land	Oct. 8, 1856	Jan. 12, 1889	Arrested
7.7.7	Mt. Fleasant	Mt. Pleasant	De Witt	Oct. 8, 1896	18/0-/1	No record
		St Anna				
225	225 Owlsco	Kankakee	Kankakee	Oct.8, 1856	1862-63	Surrendered
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DEFUNCT LODGES.	49
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May 13, 1859. Arrested Jan. 21, 1880. Surrendered Aug. 26, 1885. Surrendered May 4, 1874. Consolidated March 20, 1897. No record. March 20, 1897. Arrested Sept. 19, 1901. Consolidated Sept. 19, 1901. Consolidated Sept. 19, 1901. Consolidated Sept. 19, 1879. Surrendered Sept. 19, 1879. Surrendered Feb. 5, 1884. Arrested May 26, 1889. Surrendered 1877-78. 1863. No record April 19, 1879. Surrendered 1877-78. 1863. No record April 19, 1879. Consolidated Loc. 16, 1889. Consolidated Jan. 7, 1899. Consolidated May 28, 1889. Arrested	Dec. 4, 1876 Consolid March 27, 1855 Surrend March 27, 1855 Surrend March 27, 1875 Surrend July 21, 1887 Surrend July 21, 1887 Surrend May 18, 1887 Surrend May 18, 1887 Surrend May 18, 1887 Surrend May 18, 1887 Surrend March 27, 1889 Arreste May 18, 1885 Consolid March 14, 1887 Consolid March 17, 1897 Consolid March 17, 1897 Consolid March 17, 1897 Consolid March 17, 1897 Consolid March 18, 1887 Consolid March 17, 1897 Consolid March 17, 1897 Consolid March 18, 1897 Consolid March 17, 1897 Consolid March 18, 1897 Consolid Ma
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NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.	CHARTERED.	BECAME DEF'T	REMARKS.
513	513 Cold Spring	Cold Caring	Cholber	Oct 1 1867	Inly 57, 1885	Average
515	Dement	Demont	Sales	-	Tan 55 1006	ALL CALCUMATION OF THE MANAGEMENT AND ALL MANAGEMENTS AND ALL MANA
545	Elkhart	Filthord		001 1 1867	Feb 91 1897	Surrendened with mails and as CI eston No. 320
5	Nilwood	Milmond	Megan	001 1 1967	1006 77	The state of the s
7,	Apple Biren	MOOI	wacoupin			our rendered
0.00	Apple Miver	Apple River	Jo Daviess	Oct. 1, 1867	March 4, 1898.	Arrested
010	New ark	Newark	Kendall	_	188±5	Surrendered
100	Darwin	Darwin	Clark	Oct. 1, 1867	Aug. 25, 1887	Surrendered
553	Kyle	Macomb	McDonough	Oct. 1, 1867	1876-77	Surrendered
561	Trinity	Monmonth	Warren	Oct. 1, 1867.	Tan. 28, 1886.	Anrendered
563	563 Hamilton	Offernille	Tercer		33	The state of the s
268	Delta	Office ville	, del se y	:		
F. 2	Ordere	Calro	Alexander	Ξ.		Consolidated with Cairo Lodge No. 237
170	Con 1300	Kankakee	капкакее		easi	Surrendered
6/6	ary Elbridge	Ferrell.	Edgar		May 15, 1897	Surrendered
586	Tazewell	Delevan	Tazewell	<u>.</u>	1874-75	Consolidated with Delayan Lodge No. 156
589	589 Elwood	Humbolt	Coles	Oct. 6, 1868.	July 18, 1891	Surrendered
593	W. M. Egan	leffercon	Cook	•	_	
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506	National	Loui	Name	·		Zur rendered
200		Chicago	COOK	o ,	March 13, 1894.	Arrested
160	Lostant	Lostant	LaSalle	- ဗ်	Jan. 14, 1888	Surrendered
208	598 Dorchester	Dorchester	Macoupin	Oct. 6, 1868	Oct. 29, 1884	Surrendered
588	Fowler	Fowler	Adams	Oct 6, 1868	Feb. 24, 1879	Surrendered
605	Allen	(Allon	McLean	-	May 5 1886	Arracted
		Charford		•		
000	Wenelle	relational			_	
000		Wapella	DeWitt	Oct. 6, 1868		Surrendered
615	Anchor	Mason	Mason	Oct. 5, 1869	1874-75	Consolidated with Mason City Lodge No. 403
ى 19		Cameron	Warren	1869	July 11, 1905.	Arrested
621		Venice	Madison		Aug. 21, 1886.	Surrendered
624		Dubois	ton	869	Sept. 1883	Surrendered
625		Melrose.		Oct. 5, 1869.	May 4, 1877	
626	Putnam	Granville		698	Aug. 29, 1871+	
628	Mosaic	Hudson		1866		Arrested
653	Old Time.	Hayana.	Mason	28.5	Reb 14 1877	Consolidated with Flavana Lodge No. 88
637	637 Burlington.	Rurlington	i and	: 282	Dec 91,1876	Surrendered
æ	38 Fortitude	Cagetown	Handarcon			
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6	Innsuare	innsdale	DuPage	1870		Arrested
000	Section 11 December 11 Decembe	Irvington	Washington	1870	Aug. 31 1891	Surrendered
25.0	be I olar Star	Mulkeytown	Franklin	Oct. 4, 1870		Arrested
60	Woodford	ElPaso	Woodford	Oct. 4, 1870		Surrendered
199	Bethesda	Potosi	Livingston	Oct. 5, 187J	March 1, 1886.	Arrested
		Colfax	McLean			
653	633 Phoenix	Mapleton	Peoria	Oct. 3, 1871	Feb. 12, 1901 Arrested	Arrested

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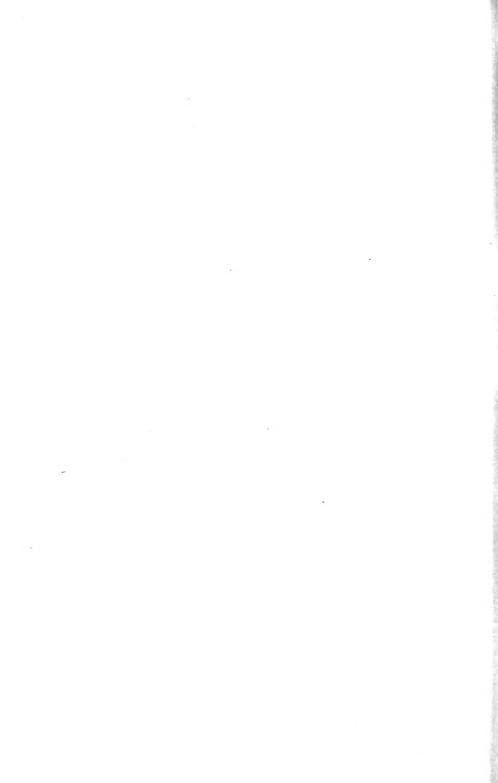
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APPENDIX PART III

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGES REPORT OF GRAND EXAMINERS . REPORT OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Chicago on October 15, 1910, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of Myrtle Masonic Temple.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master.

Robert R. Jampolis, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

Edward W. Peterson, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

Ralph H. Wheeler, R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

Robert C. Fletcher, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.

Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Secretary.

A. K. Ganster, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

John C. Weis, as R.W. Grand Orator.

John Johnston, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

A. W. West, W. Grand Marshal.

James John, W. Grand Standard Bearer.

Albert Roullier, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

Hiram Vanderbilt, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

David D. King, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

Elmer E. Beach, as W. Grand Steward.

Oscar A. Kropf, as W. Grand Steward.

Andrew McNally, as W. Grand Steward.

William H. Bied, as W. Grand Steward.

C. S. Guerney, Bro. Grand Tyler.

Franklin S. Catlin, as Master of the oldest lodge (Oriental).

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Chicago, October 17, 1910, for the purpose of constituting Candida Lodge No. 927, A.F. and A.M.

Edward W. Peterson, as M.W. Grand Master.

R. R. Jampolis, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

Harry W. Harvey, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

R. H. Wheeler, R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

Hiram Vanderbilt, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.

Andrew McNally, as R.W. Grand Secretary.

James John, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

Ernest Wray Oneal, as R.W. Grand Orator.

John Johnston, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

Albert Jampolis, as W. Grand Marshal.

Robert C. Comtelou, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

C. W. Beach, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

J. F. Campbell, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

H. Groenert, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

A. W. Cain, as W. Grand Steward.

C. H. Parkes, as W. Grand Steward.

Chester Gurney, Bro. Grand Tyler.

H. A. Pattullo, as Master of the Oldest Lodge.

Joel Ryles Wilson, as Symbol Bearer.

Charles Fetten, as Symbol Bearer.

A. G. Mussfeldt, as Symbol Bearer.

Frank Pieske, as Symbol Bearer.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Chicago on October 19, 1910, for the purpose of constituting Compass Lodge No. 922, A.F. and A.M.

E. W. Peterson, as M.W. Grand Master.

H. W. Harvey, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

Jas. Boyle, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

Adam Schmidt, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

John McCurdy, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.

Andrew McNally, as R.W. Grand Secretary.

H. M. Robinson, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

O. Kropf, as R.W. Grand Orator.

H. C. Cantelou, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

A. Jampolis, as W. Grand Marshal.

Sam Fitch, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

J. K. Lampert, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

E. B. Jones, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

W. R. Goodhart, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

S. Higginson, as W. Grand Steward.

Chris. Leverenz, as W. Grand Steward.

John Flaws, as Master of the Oldest Lodge.

C. A. Anderson, as Symbol Bearer.

E. R. Aller, as Symbol Bearer.

Charles Barnett, as Symbol Bearer.

Buchanan Currie, as Symbol Bearer.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Chicago, October 21, 1910, for the purpose of constituting Veritas Lodge No. 926, A. F. and A. M.

Harry W. Harvey, as M.W. Grand Master. David D. King, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master. Edward W. Peterson, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden. Ralph H. Wheeler, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden. Wm. G. Houghton, as R.W. Grand Treasurer. Andrew McNally, as R.W. Grand Secretary. H. E. VanLoon, as R.W. Grand Chaplain. John C. Leppert, as R.W. Grand Orator. John Johnston, as W. Grand Pursuivant. N. Bates Iott, as W. Grand Marshal. F. Goldberger, as W. Grand Standard Bearer. Jas. M. Parnie, as W. Grand Sword Bearer. Charles R. Young, as W. Senior Grand Deacon. Wm. F. Swissler, as W. Junior Grand Deacon. Ira J. McDowler, as W. Grand Steward. Joseph Menarik, as W. Grand Steward. Chester S. Gurney, Brother Grand Tyler. Frank Lock, as Master of the Oldest Lodge. B. J. Edwards, as Symbol Bearer. H. L. Valentine, as Symbol Bearer. Carl H. Trapp, as Symbol Bearer. L. M. Schwarz, as Symbol Bearer.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Chicago, October 22, 1910, for the purpose of constituting Banner Blue Lodge No. 924, A. F. and A. M.

Harry W. Harvey, as M.W. Grand Master.
David D. King, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
Hiram Vanderbilt, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
Lewis Pickett, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
Elmer W. Adkinson, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
Andrew McNally, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
A. O. Novander, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
Wm. B. Moak, as R.W. Grand Orator.

Henry R. Hopkins, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

Henry M. Robinson, as W. Grand Marshal.

Benjamin D. Mayer, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

James S. M. Wylie, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

Evan P. Jones, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

Albert T. Thompson, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

S. H. Manshee, as W. Grand Steward.

W. F. Baueris, as W. Grand Steward.

Chester S. Gurney, as Brother Grand Tyler.

Charles A. Stephenson, as Master of the Oldest Lodge.

T. D. Pelton, as Symbol Bearer.

Geo. H. Ohlson, as Symbol Bearer.

W. D. Kast, as Symbol Bearer.

F. O. Phelps, as Symbol Bearer.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Kankakee on October 24, 1910, for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the Masonic temple.

Owen Scott, as M.W. Grand Master.

N. T. Stevens, as M.W. Deputy Grand Master.

W. I. Holcomb, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

A. R. Lambert, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

C. F. Smith, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.

C. F. Whitmore, as R.W. Grand Secretary.

Rev. Bro. Crighton, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

William White Wilson, as R.W. Grand Orator.

W. F. Axen, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

Walter Lowe, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

C. Ruhle, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

H. C. Griffin, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

Oscar R. Morey, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

C. S. Gurney, Brother Grand Tyler.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Ridgefarm, October 27, 1910, to lay the corner-stone of the Ridgefarm high school.

C. L. Sandusky, as M.W. Grand Master.

C. M. Harrold, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

Albert Stansberry, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

Z. S. Saylor, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

R. W. Fisk, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.

W. Y. Ludwig, as R.W. Grand Secretary.

W. F. Heath, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

T. A. Williams, as R.W. Grand Orator.

A. V. Schermerhorn, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

Jno. N. Fairchild, as W. Grand Marshal.

George Ludwig, as Principal Architect.

Daniel Mills, as Master of Oldest Lodge.

James Rude, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

J. P. Fishback, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

F. W. Hole, as W. Grand Senior Deacon.

L. W. Cole, as W. Grand Junior Deacon.

Charles Karns, as W. Grand Steward. George Wright, as W. Grand Steward.

F. J. Lovell, as Brother Grand Tyler.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Chicago, October 28, 1910, for the purpose of constituting East Gate Lodge No. 923, A. F. and A. M.

William H. Bied, as M.W. Grand Master.

Delmar D. Darrah, R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

David D. King, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

Robert R. Jampolis, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

Edward W. Peterson, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.

Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Secretary.

Henry E. VanLoon, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

Rev. Arthur J. Francis, as R.W. Grand Orator.

H. M. Robinson, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

William G. Houghton, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

Albert J. Carn, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

Sidney B. Harvey, as W. Grand Steward.

Halket Pattulo, as W. Grand Steward.

James John, W. Grand Standard Bearer.

A. O. Novander, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

N. Bates Iott, as W. Grand Marshal.

Roy K. Wheeler, as Brother Grand Tyler.

John Miles, as Master of Oldest Lodge.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Salem, October 29, 1910, to lay the corner-stone of the Marion County Court House.

Joe M. Morrow, as M.W. Grand Master.

C. O. Ogle, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

A. R. Allmon, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

E. D. Telford, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden

C. L. McMackin, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.

L. O. Vogt, as R.W. Grand Secretary.

Rev. W. T. Morris, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

J. H. G. Brinkerhoof, as R.W. Grand Orator.

M. V. Hefton, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

J. W. Larimir, as W. Grand Marshal.

H. R. Hall, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

A. J. Sprouse, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

W. S. Stack, as W. Grand Senior Deacon.

D. D. Haynie, as W. Grand Junior Deacon.

S. A. Schanafelt, as W. Grand Steward.

C. Houchin, as W. Grand Steward.

J. E. Castle, as W. Grand Steward.

Ino. Robertson, as W. Grand Steward.

C. W. Leverenz, as Brother Grand Tyler.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Chicago, October 29, 1910, for the purpose of constituting Avondale Lodge No. 921, A. F. and A. M.

David D. King, as M.W. Grand Master.

Albert Roullier, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

Robert R. Jampolis, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

Hiram Vanderbilt, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

Louis B. Olson, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.

Andrew McNally, as R.W. Grand Secretary.

William G. Houghton, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

Elmer E. Beach, as R.W. Grand Orator.

Roy K. Wheeler, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

M. Bates lott, as W. Grand Marshal.

Francis A. Butler, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

William C. Roth, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

H. W. Harvey, as W. Grand Senior Deacon.

George Edwards, as W. Grand Junior Deacon.

Ira J. McDowell, as W. Grand Steward.

A. T. Thompson, as W. Grand Steward.

C. S. Gurney, as Grand Tyler.

Otto G. Haller, as Symbol Bearer.

Benj. B. Hegborn, as Symbol Bearer.

Chas. E. Nelson, as Symbol Bearer.

Humboldt Miller, as Symbol Bearer.

Roswell T. Spencer, as Master of Oldest Lodge.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Golden Gate, November 1, 1910, for the purpose of constituting Molenna Lodge No. 925, A. F. and A. M.

C. N. Hambleton, as M.W. Grand Master.

J. M. Rapp, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

W. R. Wheeler, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden

Wm. B. Porter, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

W. H. Schock, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.

M. L. Calkins, as R.W. Grand Secretary.

N. E. Smith, as R.W Grand Chaplain.

Chas. Buchanan, as R.W. Grand Orator.

S. H. Rea, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

Wat Bestow, as W. Grand Marshal.

C. E. Walters, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

A. F. Hunt, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

W. H. Naylor, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

F. H. Ibbitson, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

N. M. Powell, as W. Grand Steward.

J. A. Dallas, as W. Grand Steward.

W. B. Schofield, as Brother Grand Tyler.

G. L. Camp, as Master of the Oldest Lodge.

J. S. Stroup, as Symbol Bearer.

J. J. Winters, as Symbol Bearer.

U. D. Clark, as Symbol Bearer.

G. W. Dasher, as Symbol Bearer.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Ottawa, November 3, 1910, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the Masonic Temple.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master. Herbert C. Wiley, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master. George H. Haight, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden. William H. Barnard, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden. Ralph A. Nickerson, as R.W. Grand Treasurer. Charles E. Pettit, as R.W. Grand Secretary. Rev. George W. Farrar, as R.W. Grand Chaplain. Rev. J. Webster Bailey, as R.W. Grand Chaplain. Rev. C. Lemont Hay, as R.W. Grand Orator. Norman J. Cary, as W. Grand Pursuivant. Philip J. Wendel, as W. Grand Marshal. Joshua P. Rogers, as W. Grand Standard Bearer. William H. Irwin, as W. Grand Sword Bearer. William D. Fullerton, as W. Senior Grand Deacon. Albert F. Schoch, as W. Junior Grand Deacon. Henry Bestmann, as W. Grand Steward. Harry W. Mitchell, as W. Grand Steward. Charles Geiger, as W. Grand Steward. Walter E. Speckman, as W. Grand Steward. Christian W. Leverenz, as Brother Grand Tyler. Frederick A. Hatheway, as Principal Architect.

Luman A. Williams, as Master of Oldest Lodge.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Decatur, November 8, 1910, to lay the corner-stone of the East Side Christian Church.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master.
Owen Scott, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
H. W. Crabb, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
A. T. Summers, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
P. L. Van Cleve, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
W. L. Allen, as R.W. Grand Secretary.

G. F. Allen, as W. Deputy Grand Secretary.

Rev. Amos Burr, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

Rev. O. W. Lawrence, as R.W. Grand Orator.

I. N. Cool, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

M. L. Downey, as W. Grand Marshal.

Theodore Coleman, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

N. M. Mesnard, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

Peter Cofer, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

P. C. Best, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

W. E. Long, as W. Grand Steward.

D. H. Henshie, as W. Grand Steward.

R. F. Davidson, as Principal Architect.

J. M. Willard, as Brother Grand Tyler.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Elwood, November 9, 1910, for the purpose of constituting Elwood Lodge No. 919, A. F. and A. M.

John Barnard Fithian, as M.W. Grand Master. Charles A. Frederick, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master. John Kenyon Bush, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden. Arthur Montzheimer, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden. Willis Adelbert Knapp, as R.W. Grand Treasurer. A. Hugh White, as R.W. Grand Secretary. George Jesseman Cowing, as R.W. Grand Chaplain. John Howard Savage, as R.W. Grand Orator. Ralph Levi Marsh, as W. Grand Pursuivant. William Winston Smith, as W. Grand Marshal. William Hall Plumb, as W. Grand Standard Bearer. Otis Lovejoy Jones, as W. Grand Sword Bearer. David James Emery, as W. Senior Grand Deacon. Louis Henry Piepenbrink, as W. Junior Grand Deacon. Hugh Barrett Carson, as W. Grand Steward. Eugene Nelson Harris, as W. Grand Steward. David Forsythe, as Brother Grand Tyler. George J. W. Eib carried the Book of Constitutions. William Taylor Hood bore the Great Lights. Daniel Howe Belden, Symbol Bearer. Henry Gerhring, as Symbol Bearer. Charles McGuire, as Symbol Bearer. Thomas John Kirk, as Symbol Bearer.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Greenville, November 16, 1910, to lay the corner-stone of the Federal building.

- H. T. Burnap, as M.W. Grand Master.
- C. J. Lindley, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
- J. H. McHenry, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
- D. W. Starr, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
- G. V. Weise, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
- C. K. Denny, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
- I. W. Agee, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
- W. A. Rodenberg, as R.W. Grand Orator.
- S. McGowan, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
- E. E. Cox, as W. Grand Marshal.
- I. T. Watts, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
- A. L. Hord, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
- E. S. Titus, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

Clyde Tate, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

William Laws, as W. Grand Steward.

Grover Byrkit, as W. Grand Steward.

William Norman, as W. Grand Steward.

Lester McKee, as W. Grand Steward.

- J. M. Willard, as Bro. Grand Tyler.
- S. Warmolts, as Principal Architect.
- J. G. Wright, as Master of Oldest Lodge.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Cottonwood, November 18, 1910, for the purpose of constituting Cottonwood Lodge No. 920, A. F. and A. M.

- I. A. Foster, as M.W. Grand Master.
- I. L. Harrell, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
- J. T. Hogan, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

Ira Shain, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

- J. H. Graddy, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
- W. W. Wood, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
- W. P. Tuley, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

Charles Wakeford, as R.W. Grand Orator.
M. E. Johnson, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
Lon C. Trousdale, as W. Grand Marshal.
C. W. Hart, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
V. A. Mills, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
Andrew Bosaw, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
D. M. Harvey, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
Virgil B. Downen, as W. Grand Steward.
Johnson P. Holland, as W. Grand Steward.
Louis Murphy, as W. Grand Tyler.
Otis S. Bryant, as Master of the Oldest Lodge.
J. C. Murphy, as Symbol Bearer.
H. I. Harrington, as Symbol Bearer.
L. M. King, as Symbol Bearer.
Wilbern Murphy, as Symbol Bearer.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Greenview, November 30, 1910, to lay the corner-stone of the First Presbyterian Church.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master. Jno. H. Stone, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master. Jas. O. McKee, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden. Geo. C. Roberts, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden. J. A. Petrie, as R.W. Grand Orator. Joe S. Reed, as W. Grand Pursuivant. H. J. Tice, as W. Grand Marshal, T. J. Robinson, as W. Grand Standard Bearer. Geo. C. Reed, as W. Grand Sword Bearer. R. F. Renz, as W. Senior Grand Deacon. David Zeigler, as W. Junior Grand Deacon. Thos. Rowe, as W. Steward. H. A. Pierson, as W. Grand Steward. G. B. Mathers, as W. Grand Steward, R. T. Burns, as W. Grand Steward. Ino. II. Kinnade, as Principal Architect. Fred Wilkinson, as Master of Oldest Lodge.

J. M. Willard, as Brother Grand Tyler.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Thompsonville, December 24, 1910, for the purpose of dedicating the new Masonic hall.

- A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master.
- C. H. Martin, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
- A. Doherty, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
- C. H. Thompson, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
- E. G. Fitzgerrell, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
- W. T. Smart, as R.W. Grand Orator.
- E. E. Thornton, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
- T. B. Chandler, as W. Grand Architect.
- J. R. Musgraves, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
- T. S. Browning, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
- S. C. D. Rea, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
- W. W. Adams, as W. Grand Steward.
- C. D. Harlan, as W. Grand Steward.
- A. S. Cleveland, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
- C. W. Cofer, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

Enoch Summers, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

- F. H. Stamper, as W. Grand Marshal.
- J. M. Willard, as Brother Grand Tyler.
- J. C. Webb, as Symbol Bearer.
- W. D. Jackson, as Symbol Bearer.
- D. L. Carter, as Symbol Bearer.
- G. H. Flanigan, as Symbol Bearer.
- T. M. Mitchell, as Master of Oldest Lodge.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Sesser, December 27, 1910, for the purpose of constituting Sesser Lodge No. 918, A. F. and A. M.

- T. S. Browning, as M.W. Grand Master.
- D. G. Fitzgerrell, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
- F. H. Stamper, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
- J. M. Seymour, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
- Wm. Hutson, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
- B. A. Murray, as R.W. Grand Secretary.

T. A. Hall, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

W. E. Cockrum, as R.W. Grand Orator.

E. E. Ward, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

F. H. Stamper, as W. Grand Marshal.

Jas. Isom, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

Jos. Jackson, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

A. S. Cleveland, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

Geo. Dye, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

C. B. Lewis, as Brother Grand Tyler.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Galena, January 4, 1911, for the purpose of paying a last tribute of affection for Past Grand Master, John Corson Smith.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master.

R. J. Daly, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

L. L. Munn, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

L. Bivill, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

Robert Kuehner, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.

R. M. Johnson, as R.W. Grand Secretary.

J. F. Wickels, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

Amos Pettibone, as R.W. Grand Orator.

W. C. Jencks, as W. Grand Pursuivant, John Bauscher, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

R. R. Tiffany, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

H. S. Whitmore, as W. Grand Marshal.

II. A. Benhrendt, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

Lewis J. Tinner, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

Daniel Stewart, as Brother Grand Tyler.

J. F. Fair, as Master of Oldest Lodge.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Vienna, Wednesday, January 18, 1911, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the Carnegie Library Building.

Thos. E. Gillespie, as M.W. Grand Master.

Austin I. Brown, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

Wm. M. Grissom, Jr., as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

Richard A. Hundley, Jr., as R.W. Junior Grand Warden. Thomas B. Powell, as R.W. Grand Treasurer. Ike L. Morgan, as R.W. Grand Secretary.

L. S. McKeown, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
Alonzo L. Whittenberg, as R.W. Grand Orator.

Mark Whittaker, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

Noel Whitehead, as W. Grand Marshal.

John L. Veach, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

Joseph B. Kuykendall, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

Ernest Moore, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

Daniel Webster Whittenberg, as W. Grand Steward.

Norman J. Mozley, as W. Grand Steward.

James C. Chapman, as Brother Grand Tyler.

Samuel J. Carter, as Principal Architect.

John Ladd Mozley, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Chicago, January 23, 1011, to lay the corner-stone of the Provision Township High School.

Albert Roullier, as M.W. Grand Master. David D. King, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master. Harry W. Harvey, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden. Louis J. Frahm, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden. James F. Boyle, as R.W. Grand Treasurer. Andrew McNally, as R.W. Grand Secretary. Max Levy, as R.W. Chaplain. Elmer E. Beach, as R.W. Grand Orator. A. T. Thompson, as W. Grand Pursuivant. M. Bates Iott, as W. Grand Marshal. T. Spencer, as W. Grand Standard Bearer. Henry Solomin, as W. Grand Sword Bearer. William G. Houghton, as W. Senior Grand Deacon. W. Modlin, as W. Junior Grand Deacon. Addison Hickox, as W. Grand Steward. Sidney B. Harvey as W. Grand Steward. J. M. Willard, as Brother Grand Tyler. G. W. Ashley, as Principal Architect. Sidney S. Pollack, as Master of Oldest Lodge.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Princeton, February 2, 1911, for the purpose of constituting Princeton Lodge No. 527, A. F. and A. M.

Francis H. Bradley, as M.W. Grand Master. Edwin A. Vaughan, as R.W. Deputy Gand Master. Abraham Oppenheim, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden. John A. Omen, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden. William Keller, as R.W. Grand Treasurer. Nels W. Isaacson, as R.W. Grand Secretary. Charles G. Cushing, as R.W. Grand Chaplain. Harry L. Parker, as R.W. Grand Orator. Henry D. Steele, as W. Grand Pursuivant. Harry P. Phelps, as W. Grand Marshal. John A. Gustavson, as W. Grand Standard Bearer. Charles G. Hamm, as W. Grand Sword Bearer. John McCall, as W. Senior Grand Deacon. Charles Prouty, as W. Junior Grand Warden. Henry D. Gibbs, as W. Senior Grand Steward. George Houck, as W. Junior Grand Deacon. Christian C. Weidrich, as Brother Grand Tyler. J. Harry Phillips, as Master of Oldest Lodge. Henry S. Swartz, as Symbol Bearer. Charles H. Masters, as Symbol Bearer. Frank A. Johnson, as Symbol Bearer. Harry A. Gibbs, as Symbol Bearer.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Bloomington, April 25, 1911, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the Masonic Temple.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master.
Delmar D. Darrah, R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
Henry T. Burnap, R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
Harry M. Palmer, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
Arthur E. Wood, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
J. E. Jeffers, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
Cyrus K. Stockwell, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

Owen Scott, as R.W. Grand Orator.
B. T. Pumpelly, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
Austin H. Scrogin, as W. Grand Marshal.
Josiah M. Hannum, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
N. B. Carson, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
W. N. Ewing, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
Thomas W. Nixon, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
Reuben G. Bright, W. Grand Steward.
Wm. Downey, as W. Grand Steward.
Joseph Wetzel, as W. Grand Steward.
Wm. Muhl, as W. Grand Steward.
James M. Willard, as Brother Grand Tyler.
Clifford B. Hamilton, as Master of Oldest Lodge.
Clerc Tilbury, as Principal Architect.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Illini, May 16, 1911, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the Illini Congregational Church.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master.

George A. Stadler, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

H. W. Crabb, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

A. T. Summers, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

I. A. Buckingham, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.

W. A. Dixon, as R.W. Grand Secretary.

Rev. J. C. Bell, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

D. D. M. Den, as Rever of and chapte

R. E. Henry, as R.W. Grand Orator.

George B. Fyke, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

M. L. Downey, as W. Grand Marshal.

N. M. Mesnard, W. Grand Sword Bearer.

Walter Averitt, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

J. S. Edmundson, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

H. C. Bush, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

R. C. Augustine, as W. Grand Steward.

Elmer Birks, as W. Grand Steward.

Frank Howsman, as Master Oldest Lodge.

J. C. Batchelder, as Principal Architect.

J. M. Willard, as Brother Grand Tyler.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at LaGrange, June 24, 1911, for the purpose of dedicating the Masonic Orphans Home.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master,

Delmar 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. H. V. Holt, as R.W. Grand Orator.

Rev. W. W. Wilson, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

H. W. Harvey, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

R. R. Jampolis, W Junior Grand Deacon.

Albert Jampolis, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

H. Vanderbilt, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

Owen Scott, as W. Grand Marshal.

D. D. King, as W. Grand Steward.

W. H. Bied, as W. Grand Steward.

E. W. Peterson, as W. Grand Steward.

F. H. Bradley, as W. Grand Steward.

C. S. Gurney, Brother Grand Tyler.

John Johnston, as Master of Oldest Lodge.

R. C. Fletcher, as Grand Architect.

C. M. Webb, as Symbol Bearer.

R. W. Fillotson, as Symbol Bearer.

L. O. McCarty, as Symbol Bearer.

F. E. Thompson, as Symbol Bearer.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Ottawa, June 27, 1911, for the purpose of dedicating the new Masonic Temple.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master.

H. C. Wiley, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

G. H. Haight, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

W. H. Barnard, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

C. E. Pettit, as R.W. Grand Secretary.

- R. A. Nickerson, as R.W. Treasurer.
- W. L. Milligan, as R.W. Grand Orator.
- J. W. Bailey, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
- F. A. Hatheway, as Senior Grand Deacon.
- W. D. Fullerton, as Junior Grand Deacon.
- N. J. Cary, W. Grand Pursuivant.
- W. E. Speckman, as W. Grand Steward.
- H. W. Mitchell, as W Grand Steward.
- J. P. Rogers, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
- W. H. Irwin, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
- C. S. Gurney, Brother Grand Tyler.
- C. Geiger, as Symbol Bearer.
- G. E. Whitney, as Symbol Bearer.
- C. W. Lutz, as Symbol Bearer.
- W. H. Rollo, as Symbol Bearer.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Mt. Carmel, July 4, 1911, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the new Masonic Temple.

- L. A. Goddard, as M.W. Grand Master.
- J. R. Ennis, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
- L. L. Emerson, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
- J. M. Mitchell, as Junior Grand Warden.
- H. T. Goddard, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.
- W. P. Orland, as R.W. Grand Secretary.
- Peter Scherer, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.
- G. D. Shumard, as R.W. Grand Orator.
- J. F. Wood, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
- W. A. Stusfield, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
- J. F. Price, as W. Grand Pursuivant.
- H. E. Hanson, as W. Grand Marshal.
- G. D. Reide, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.
- Thomas Gott, as W. Grand Steward.
- H. D. Clurk, as W. Grand Steward.
- G. H. Kise, as W. Grand Steward.
- T. F. Blied, as W. Grand Steward.
- I. A. Lopf, as Principal Architect.
- J. U. Hughes, as Master of Oldest Lodge.
- J. W. Willard, as Brother Grand Tyler.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Lacon, July 20, 1911, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the Masonic Building.

Delmar D. Darrah, as M.W. Grand Master.

Frank H. Bradley, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

Charles W. Coker, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

E. D. Richmond, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

J. E. Lamb, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.

R. H. Maxwell, as R.W. Grand Secretary.

J. D. Calhoun, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

H. T. Ireland, as R.W. Grand Orator.

Timothy VanAntwerp, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

Josiah M. Hannum, as W. Grand Marshal.

J. R. Belsley, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

H. E. Rowley, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

W. G. Dorsey, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

Albert Quinn, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

Charles Greenlee, as W. Grand Steward.

S. H. Wendling, as W. Grand Steward.

A. M. Root, as W. Grand Steward.

C. B. Root, as W. Grand Steward.

Ira F. Hancock, as Master of Oldest Lodge.

Elias Hexter, as Principal Architect.

J. M. Willard, as Brother Grand Tyler.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Ardmore, July 22, 1911, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the Harvard School.

E. W. Peterson, as M.W. Grand Master.

Lewis Pickett, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

Hiram Vanderbilt, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

N. E. Murray, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

Albert Jampolis, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.

John R. Small, as R.W. Grand Secretary.

Oscar A. Kropf, as R.W. Grand Chaplain. Charles Workman, as W. Grand Pursuivant. John Johnston, as W. Grand Marshal. I. C. Peterson, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

George Oestman, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

W. B. Perm, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

F. B. Tibbits, as W. Grand Steward.

I. H. Clark, as W. Grand Steward.

L. B. Dyer, as Brother Grand Tyler.

E. C. Kerwin, as Master of the Oldest Lodge.

S. B. Gibbs, as Principal Architect.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Springfield, August 1, 1911, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the Christian Church.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master. Sidney S. Breese, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

J. Orville Taylor, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

Joseph O. Holland, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

George Taylor, Jr., as R.W. Grand Treasurer.

Thomas L. Jarrett, as R.W. Grand Secretary.

W. J. Johnson, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

Owen Scott, as R.W. Grand Orator.

George D. Parkin, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

Frank Hudson, as W. Grand Marshal.

James A. Raynolds, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

J. L. Taylor, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

Harvey M. Solenberger, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

William LeRoy Wilson, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

Hal. C. McCloud, as W. Grand Steward.

H. Ernest Fullenwider, as W. Grand Steward.

Robert Orriny, as W. Grand Steward.

George T. Dutton, as W. Grand Steward.

Theron J. Kinnear, Master of the Oldest Lodge.

M. A. Jones, as Principal Architect.

J. M. Willard, as Brother Grand Tyler.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Beardstown, Saturday, August 19, 1911, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the Congregational Church.

H. T. Burnap, as M.W. Grand Master.

C. P. Ross, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

Fred Swartzel, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

A. L. Park, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

C. C. Garm, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.

W. F. Thron, as R.W. Grand Secretary.

S. D. Colborn, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

H. F. Smith, as R.W. Grand Orator.

J. P. Warnke, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

W. H. Rhineberger, as W. Grand Marshal.

J. J. Osmer, Jr., as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

E. E. Anger, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

Robert Alexander, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

Hal Morgan, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

W. S. Denton, as W. Grand Steward.

Chas. Chaffee, as W. Grand Steward.

W. N. Brewer, as W. Grand Steward.

Hal Kendall, as W. Grand Steward.

John F. Miller, as Principal Architect.

R. H. Garm, as Master of Oldest Lodge.

J. M. Willard, as W. Grand Tyler.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Murphysboro, September 4, 1911, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the new Federal Building.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master.

H. L. Foier, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

J. R. Hathaway, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

Anthony Doherty, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

F. B. Hall, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.

Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Secretary.

A. J. Rendleman, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

W. A. Rodenburg, as R.W. Grand Orator.

W. A. Perrin, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

L. L. Emerson, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

T. W. Sudenbostle, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

W. B. Miller, as W. Grand Steward.

John Harris, as W. Grand Steward.

C. C. Grizzell, as W. Grand Steward.

Jos. Evans, as W. Grand Steward.

Phil C. Barkley, as Master of Oldest Lodge.

R. O. Burke, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

Ed. Corley, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

J. M. Willard, as Brother Grand Tyler.

Harris Levy, as W. Grand Marshal.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A. F. AND A. M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Pana, on October 5, 1911, for the purpose of laying corner-stone.

Hugh A. Snell, as M.W. Grand Master.

Julius Broehl, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

R. C. Danforth, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

J. E. Reece, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

John D. Reid, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.

B. F. Dowell, as R.W. Grand Secretary.

Chas. R. Mosher, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

B. F. Caldwell, as R.W. Grand Orator. Julius Kiefer, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

F. A. Cutler, as W. Grand Marshal.

W. I. Cohenour as W. Grand Stands

W. L. Cohenour, as W. Grand Standard Bearer. W. H. Aughinbaugh, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

Chas. Seiler, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

Harry Stanton, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

S. Sve, as W. Grand Steward.

Chas Habekost, as W. Grand Steward.

Chas Barnett, as W. Grand Steward.

Guy St. Clair, as W. Grand Steward.

James Williard, as Bro. Grand Tyler.

Chas. G. Young, as Master of the Oldest Lodge.

Chas. F. Stratton, as Principal Architect.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Convened at Chicago on October 7, 1911, for the purpose of dedicating Humboldt Park Masonic Temple.

Ralph H. Wheeler, as M.W. Grand Master.

William H. Bied, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

Harry W. Harvey, as R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

James W. Dunlap, as R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

Robert J. Daly, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.

Walter C. Avery, as R.W. Grand Secretary.

Oscar A. Kropf, as R.W. Grand Orator.

John Sigwalt, as W. Grand Chaplain.

John Johnston, as W. Grand Marshal.

Leonidas B. Dyer, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

Lewis A. Brinkman, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

Charles Sigwalt, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

Julius C. Clemenson, as W. Grand Pursuivant.

Calvin W. Worthington, as Master of the Oldest Lodge bore the Book of Constitutions.

Ellis E. McDermed, as W. Senior Grand Steward.

Herman F. Sievert, as W. Junior Grand Steward.

Alfred Fox, as W. Grand Standard Bearer.

George A. Hartwell. Symbol Bearer.

Fred W. Hochspeier, Symbol Bearer,

Martin Clausen, Symbol Bearer.

William W. Murray, Symbol Bearer,

Chester T. Gurney, Bro. Grand Tyler.

William W. Harper, Grand Architect.

Thirty-one members of Columbia Commandery Knights Templar in full Templar uniform were present and acted as escort to the Grand Lodge which added beauty and solemnity to the occasion.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE, A.F. AND A.M.,

STATE OF ILLINOIS

Convened at Chicago on October 6, 1911, for the purpose of dedicating Myrtle Masonic Temple.

Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master.

Harry A. Dever, as R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

Henry T. Burnap, R.W. Senior Grand Warden. Ralph H. Wheeler, R.W. Junior Grand Warden.

Owen Scott, as R.W. Grand Treasurer.

Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Secretary.

Rev. A. M. White, as R.W. Grand Chaplain.

Rawson Bennett, as R.W. Grand Orator.

Owen Scott, as W. Deputy Grand Secretary.

N. J. Cary, W. Grand Pursuivant.

Harry W. Harvey, as W. Grand Marshal.

James John, W. Grand Standard Bearer.

W. N. Rufre, as W. Grand Sword Bearer.

N. B. Carson, as W. Senior Grand Deacon.

W. E. Edwards, as W. Junior Grand Deacon.

H. C. Mitchell, as W. Grand Steward.

J. W. Hambleton, as W. Grand Steward.

C. S. Gurney, Bro. Grand Tyler.

T. B. Williamson, Master Oldest Lodge.

R. H. Rockwood, Symbol Bearer.

Chas. H. Graves, Symbol Bearer.

J. L. Brearton, Symbol Bearer.

Theo. E. Gurney, Symbol Bearer.

Report of Board of Grand Examiners.

LEXINGTON, ILL., September 8, 1911.

Brother Albert B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Illinois.

Dear Brothers:—The report of the Board of Grand Examiners, for the past year, is due and we hasten to comply. Immediately after our appointment, October 13, 1910, 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, C. H. Martin, Isaac Cutter, M. B. Iott, A. W. West, Charles S. DeHart, Emerson Clark.

GRAND LECTURERS.

C. E. Allen, H. S. Albin, D. E. Bruffett, I. H. Todd, Wm. E. Ginther, C. E. Groves, J. M. Willard, J. E. Wheat, S. M. Schoemann, 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, R. W. King, E. E. Beach, W. H. Robson, H. W. Harvey, F. H. Moorehouse, F. J. Burton, L. A. Foster, John H. Griffiths, A. Jampolis, W. A. Dixon, Edw. W. Peterson, Albert Davis, Albert Roullier, N. M. Mesnard, John C. Weis, Adam Schmidt, H. E. VanLoon, Will C. Stilson, C. J. Wightman, W. H. Bied, Emmett Howard, W. E. Anderson, J. M. Hederick, D. W. Starr, Nimrod Mace, R. G. Bright, N. B. Carson, David Richards, Louis J. Frahm, Geo. E. Carlson, G. M. Harmison, H. M. Witt, J. K. West, A. T. Summers, Andrew Mc-Nally, W. P. Jones, W. H. Rupe, W. W. Roberts, Alvin W. Caine, Hiram Vanderbilt, P. A. Reinhard, D. D. King, M. T. Booth, E. T. Osgood, C. M. Montgomery, J. S. Edmondson, F. D. Fletcher, C. M. Borchers, Frank H. Blose, B. A. Cottlaw, A. I. Porges, William Fitch, William Grube, Samuel Bradford, L. E. Rockwood, W. A. Hoover, L. B. Dyer, Geo. N. Todd, W. G. Houghton, John F. Lockett, O. E. Tandy, F. O. Lorton, James F. Hammond, R. D. Mills, F. G. Trenary, Wm. Elmer Edwards, J. E. Jeffers, Z. S. Saylor, H. M. Palmer, W. B. Moore, W. D. Price, Harry A. Dever, Walter E. Marble, Theodore Christensen, James M. Huff, H. H. Milnor, H. O. Folrath, Chas. H. Graves, H. M. Robinson, C. H. Thompson, Amos Ball, O. H. Woodworth, R. M. Riggs, Otto Brail, W. C. Trowbridge, C. L. Gregory, Frank F. Collins, James F. Boyle, Altamont B. Collom, John W. Johnson, J. E. Glathart, David C. Hibbott, Boyd S. Blaine, William N. Ewing, T. Bryson Strauss, B. I. Pumpelly, Arthur E. Wood, George Edwards, Walter T. Boggess, Almon Stansberry, 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. Pollack, H. Gasaway, J. A. Wesch, J. I. Brydon, 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. Jones, William R. Goodheart, Ebenezer C. Tillotson, Hans M. Rachtitz, David S. Davidson, George D. Bell, A. A. Bauer, C. G. 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.

Since that time after due examination, the Board have recommended for appointment, as Proficient in our ritual, the following named brethren, viz:

Charles Henry Crowell, David Sutton Millinger, Addison Hickox, Henry Wells Modlin, Rodolphus Clay Peck, Maxwell Levy, Silas Watts, Albert James Winteringham, Silas Eclips Kain, Douglas Evart Farr, Edward J. Tye, Charles James Shaw, Donald McKenzie Wylie, Harvey Alfred Craig, Sydney Beavis Harvey and Henry D. Hamper.

For a Commission as Grand Lecturer, the Board, after due examination, recommended R.W. Bro. Charles Otis Faught, District Deputy Grand Master of the Forty-first Masonic District.

In compliance with your order and appointments Schools of Instruction were conducted by the Board as follows, viz: At Rockford, January 10, 11 and 12, 1911: Effingham, January 24, 25 and 26, 1911; Murphysboro, February 7, 8 and 9, 1911; Princeton, February 21, 22 and 23, 1911; Decatur, March 7, 8 and 9, 1911.

At the School held at Rockford 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, R.W.G.Sec.; Edward Cook, P. Grand Master; J. E. Jeffers, D. D. King, F. H. Bradley, James M. Huff, Wm. P. Grube, Hiram Vanderbilt, Wm. H. Bied and B. A. Cottlow, R.W. District Deputy Grand Masters; S. S. Borden, A. H. Scrogin, R. F. Morrow, Lawrence C. Johnson and Josiah M. Hannum, Grand Examiners; J. E. Jeffers, R. C. Clark, Otto Brail, D. S. Davidson, D. D. King, E. C. Tillottson, C. J. Wightman, Francis H. Bradley, James M. Huff, W. H. Bied, H. M. Witt, Bryson Strauss, L. A. Brinkman, James McCredie, W. P. Grube, Lewis Pickett, E. G. Berger, Ora E. Chapman, Archibald Birse, W. E. Fitch, J. B. Roach, A. P. Williams, W. D. Price, B. A. Cottlow, A. E. Wood, H. A. Dever, C. H. Martin, W. E. Marble, Theo. Christensen and Thomas G. Kerwin, R.W. Grand Lecturers. Total attendance, 405: Illinois lodges, 80; foreign, 8.

At the school held at Effingham the attendance was as follows: Brethren Albert B. Ashley, M.W.G.M.; Owen Scott, W.M. Past Grand Master; Edward Cook, M.W.P.G.M.; William B. Wright, M.W.P. G.M.; Ralph H. Wheeler, R.W.J.G.W.; Isaac Cutter, R.W.G.Sec.; N. M. Mesnard, W.G. Sword Bearer; W. A. Hoover, W. P. Jones, Harry W. Harvey, W. H. Rupe, H. Gasaway, Chas. G. Young, C. P. Ross, J. E. Jeffers, C. O. Faught and C. L. Sandusky, R.W.D.D.G. Masters; S. S. Borden, A. H. Scrogin, R. F. Morrow, L. C. Johnson and J. M. Hannum, Grand Examiners; Geo. N. Todd, E. C. Tillottson, W. A. Hoover, Amos Ball, W. P. Jones, L. E. Rockwood, Harry W. Harvey, A. A. Bauer, C. G. Stovall, A. O. Novander, F. M. Cruickshank, J. A. Wesch, W. H. Rupe, J. E. Glathart, J. M. Foreman, J. N. Fairchild, H. Gasaway, J. I. Brydon, James Porter, C. P. Ross, J. E. Jeffers, C. G. Young, L. B. Dyer, A. E. Wood, C. H. Martin, W. A. Dixon, N. M. Mesnard, Hugh A. Snell and O. H. Woodworth, R.W. Grand Lecturers. Total, 180; Illinois lodges, 50; foreign, 2.

At the school held at Murphysboro the attendance was as follows: Brethren A. B. Ashley, M.W.G.M.; Monroe C. Crawford, P.G.M.; D. D. Darrah, D.G.M.; R. H. Wheeler, J.G.W.; Isaac Cutter, R.W.G.Sec.; T. E. Gillespie, S.G. Deacon; W. H. Peak, J.G. Deacon; L. A. Foster, T. S. Browning, J. E. Jeffers, J. R. Ennis, C. H. Thompson, C. N. Hambleton, W. D. Abney, A. T. Summers, W. P. Jones, R.W. District Deputy Grand Masters; S. S. Borden, A. H. Scrogin, R. F. Morrow, L. C. Johnson and J. M. Hannum, Grand Examiners; L. A. Foster, T. S. Browning, A. B. Collum, C. D. Rae, C. H. Thompson, C. N. Hambleton, A. T. Summers, C. H. Martin,

J. R. Ennis, J. E. Jeffers, A. Doherty, A. E. Wood, W. P. Jones. Boyd S. Blaine, J. A. Wesch, W. H. Peak and H. A. Snell, R.W. Grand Lecturers. Total attendance, 230; Illinois lodges, 62; foreign, 6.

At the school held at Princeton the attendance was as follows: Brethren C. E. Allen, P.G.M.; D. D. Darrah, R.W.D.G.M.; Isaac Cutter, R.W.G.Sec.; M. T. Booth, C. L. Gregory, D. D. King, F. H. Bradley, Emmett Howard, J. E. Jeffers, C. T. Holmes and W. P. Grube, R.W.D.D.G. Masters; S. S. Borden, A. H. Scrogin, R. F. Morrow, L. C. Johnson and J. M. Hannum, Grand Examiners; Geo. E. Carlson, G. W. Flood, W. E. Speckman, Oscar Formhals, E. C. Tillotson, C. A. Luse, W. T. Booth, C. L. Gregory, D. D. King, W. E. Edwards, F. H. Bradley, J. E. Wheat, L. A. Kaiser, W. W. Roberts, Harry H. Milnor, Emmett Howard, R. G. Bright, W. H. Barnard, W. E. Fitch, Elmer Tregay, F. G. Trenary, E. P. Jones, J. E. Jeffers, S. B. Bradford, Wm. Scales, R. B. Pendegast, C. H. Martin, A. E. Wood, H. A. Snell and W. P. Grube, R.W. Grand Lecturers. Total registration, 277; Illinois lodges, 65; U.D., 1; foreign, 4.

At the school held at Decatur the attendance was as follows: Brethren A. B. Ashley, M.W.G.M.; Owen Scott and A. H. Bell, Past Grand Masters; D. D. Darrah, R.W.D.G.M.; H. T. Burnap, R.W.S.G.W.; R. H. Wheeler, R.W.J.G.W.; Isaac Cutter, R.W.G.Sec.; G. A. Stadler, D.G.Sec.; C. F. Tenney, G.S.; W. W. Weedon, R.W.G.Chap.; James John, G.S.B.; N. M. Mesnard, G.S.B.; L. Caywood, J. E. Jeffers, A. T. Summers, D. W. Starr, C. O. Faught, W. P. Jones, C. H. Burgdorff, D. D. King, T. S. Browning, H. M. Palmer, I. A. Foster, S. S. Breese, C. G. Young, C. P. Ross and Albert Roullier, R.W.D.D.G. Masters; S. S. Borden, A. H. Scrogin, R. F. Morrow, L. C. Johnson and J. M. Hannum, Grand Examiners; C. L. Montgomery, F. W. Froelich, H. A. Flock, Andrew McNally, H. Silverman, Geo. Edwards, J. T. Boyle, B. E. Sincere, S. S. Pollack, F. M. Cruickshank, D. E. Bruffit, Z. S. Saylor, Benjamin Bing, A. Stansburry, J. E. Jeffers, J. S. Edmanson, H. A. Snell, Harry O. Folrath, C. L. Tanner, A. T. Summers, H. D. Jackson, W. A. Dixon, G. N. Todd, Amos Ball, N. M. Mesnard, W. E. Ginther, C. W. Kesler, E. C. Tillotson, J. M. Willard, James John, D. W. Starr, David Richards, A. T. VanLoon, H. C. Bush, W. P. Jones, A. E. Wood, J. A. Wesch, H. W. Crabb, F. O. Lorton, A. M. Bloxam, James Porter, F. F. Collins, D. D. King, C. S. DeHart, W. G. Houghton, Ira M. McDowell, H. A. Dever, T. S. Browning, C. H. Martin, A. Doherty, H. M. Palmer, W. N. Ewing, A. A. Bauer, Chas. M. Borchers, I. A. Foster, E. W. Peterson, S. M. Schoemann, Albert Jampolis,

C. L. Sandusky, C. G. Young, F. W. Blose, C. A. Stephenson, B. I. Pumpelly, C. P. Ross, Albert Roullier and Elmer E. Beach, R.W. Grand Lecturers, Names registered, 670; Illinois lodges, 147; foreign, 6.

At each of these schools the ritual of Masonry as authorized by the M.W. Grand Lodge, was exemplified in full, in the day time on a substitute candidate, and on an actual candidate at night.

We desire to express our hearty appreciation of the good counsel and assistance extended to us by the M.W. Grand Master; the D.D. Grand Masters and the Grand Lecturers, who at their own expense, attended these schools, and made it possible for us to exemplify the movements necessary to the correct rendering of our ritual.

Thanking you for the confidence reposed in us, we remain,

Fraternally yours,

The Board of Grand Examiners,

By A. H. Scrogin,

Secretary of Board.

REPORTS

OF

R. W. District Deputy Grand Masters

FIRST DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., September 11, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M. W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Sir and Brother:—I herewith submit my annual report as District Deputy Grand Master of the First District. I wish to express to you my sincere appreciation for the courtesies extended me while acting in this capacity.

All lodges in this District appear generally to be in a good prosperous condition; my labor has been light.

Nothing of importance with which you are not familiar has transpired and Masonry is in a healthy state.

Wishing you many years of health and prosperity.

Fraternally yours,

HIRAM VANDERBILT, D.D.G.M. First District.

SECOND DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., August 24, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M. W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Sir and Brother:—It is with pleasure that I submit you this my annual report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Second District.

My official duty in the capacity of your special deputy was to constitute Banner Blue Lodge No. 924, October 22, 1910, at Englewood Masonic Temple, Chicago, and Veritas Lodge No. 926, October 26, 1910, at West Chicago Masonic Temple, Chicago, Ill. Also to institute Wilmette Lodge U.D., October 28, 1910, at Wilmette, Illinois and Justice Lodge U.D., July 11, 1911, at West Chicago Masonic Temple, Chicago, Ill., all of which are doing good work and very prosperous.

As far as I have been able to learn, all the lodges in the Second District have had a very prosperous and harmonious year.

I have derived much pleasure from my duties of the past year and I wish to assure you that I am grateful for the courtesies I have received and the honor conferred upon me.

I wish to congratulate you on your successful administration and trust that your duties have been most pleasant.

With kindest personal regards, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

HARRY W. HARVEY, D.D.G.M. Second District.

THIRD DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., September 25, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M. W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother Ashley:—In submitting this my report for the past year, I beg to say that nothing of importance has transpired in this district with which you are not familiar.

With my kindest regards, I am, Fraternally yours,

ROBERT R. JAMPOLIS, D.D.G.M. Third District.

FOURTH DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., September 8, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M. W. Grand Muster, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother Ashley:—I am most pleased to report the lodges in the Fourth Masonic District in a flourishing condition. I have during the past year visited many lodges of this district and at all times met with the most friendly and courteous treatment.

I appreciate greatly the honor you conferred upon me in appointing me your District Deputy for the Fourth District and sincerely hope that our personal relations may continue as pleasant in the future as in the past.

With my thanks, good wishes and fraternal regards, I am,

Fraternally yours,

ALBERT ROULLIER, D.D.G.M. Fourth District.

FIFTH DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., September I, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M. W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother Ashley:-In rendering you my annual report as Deputy of the Fifth Masonic District, I desire to thank you for the honor of the appointment and also for the many fraternal courtesies you have extended to me. I am pleased to report that nothing has occurred out of the ordinary during the year to disturb the peace and harmony that should prevail. My experience leads me to the conclusion that if there is one thing more than another that officers of Masonic Lodges in Chicago lack, it is an opportunity to more fully acquaint themselves with the intricacies of the law. While every effort has been made by the Grand Lodge to furnish a reliable source of information with regard to the work, officers have been given no encouragement whatever in their efforts to master the law. Our work is so voluminous and the standard of proficiency has been raised so high that it requires about all the spare time of a prospective master to fit himself in this respect leaving him but very little time in which to study the law. What we need is a concise classification of the many little intricacies of the law that come before a Worshipful Master for decision, and a rehearsal of them under competent guidance as a part of our program at Schools of Instruction. Fraternally yours,

DAVID D. KING, D.D.G.M. Fifth District.

SIXTH DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., September 2, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M. W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother Ashley:—My official duties for the year have been limited to the constituting of East Gate Lodge No. 923, on October 28, 1910. This new lodge has made remarkable progress, which was to be expected considering the class of men and the interest manifested at its formation

The brethren of this district have been most fraternal and cordial and have exhibited at all times a disposition to profit from a visit of the district deputy.

In all my visits I have been received with all the courtesies and honors due as your representative.

The past year has been a very pleasant and profitable one to me and I feel grateful to the brethren for the many courtesies shown me.

With sincere good wishes, and the assurance of my personal esteem, I am Fraternally yours,

WM. H. BIED, D.D.G.M. Sixth District.

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., August 29, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M. W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother:—I have the honor to submit herewith my annual report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Seventh Masonic District. I have visited all of the Lodges in my district and so far as I am advised, peace and harmony prevail throughout the district.

On Monday evening, June 19, 1911, acting as your proxy, I instituted John Corson Smith Lodge, and likewise on July 3, 1911, I instituted Kenmore Lodge. These Lodges are doing excellent work, and I am sure that if granted charters, they will reflect credit on the fraternity.

Saturday, July 22, 1911, acting under your orders and with your proxy, I convened an occasional Grand Lodge at Ardmore, Ill., and laid the corner-stone of the Harvard School.

Accept my thanks for the many courtesies extended me, and believe me,

Fraternally yours,

E. W. PETERSON, D.D.G.M. Seventh District.

EIGHTH DISTRICT.

Waukegan, Ill., September 20, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M. W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother Ashley:—In submitting my annual report as your representative for the Eighth District, I am pleased to inform you that peace and harmony prevail. Nothing has arisen to disturb the feelings of good fellowship that prevails. Much new material has been added; the work well done and along the standard line. Congratulating you on the success of your administration, and thanking you for trust in me reposed, I am, with best wishes.

Fraternally yours,

JAY L. BREWSTER, D.D.G.M. Eighth District.

NINTH DISTRICT.

Belvidere, Ill., September 8, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M. W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

My Dear Brother:—Reporting for the Ninth District, I am pleased to say that the interest in our institution shows no signs of abatement. More than the usual number have been added during the year, new buildings are in course of construction and more are in contemplation for the immediate future. In this connection I am specially pleased to report that the brethren of my own lodge, Belvidere No. 60, are expending some fifteen thousand dollars for a new lodge room, club rooms and parlors and when completed we will have one of the best appointed lodge rooms in this part of the state.

It was my sad duty to attend the funeral of R.W. Brother John W. Oliver of the Tenth District, in January last. He was my friend. Above and beyond this personal tie he was an ideal man and Mason who by the purity of his character, his integrity in business and his untiring zeal as a ritualist, exemplified the grand truths and basic principles of the institution he loved so well. The brethren of his district are to erect him a suitable monument at his last resting place. Apple River, and I hope that every Mason in Illinois who has an opportunity to do so, will aid and encourage them in a movement, which we who were acquainted with him and his labors for the advancement of Masonry, know to be commendable beyond words.

With highest personal regards, I am.

Fraternally yours,

JAMES M. HUFF, D.D.G.M. Ninth District.

TENTH DISTRICT.

SAVANNA, ILL., September 6, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M. W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Sir and Brother:—No one regrets more than I that your former District Deputy, Brother Oliver, is not here to make the report of the condition of Masony in this district; nor could anyone be more appreciative of the honor of succeeding him than am I.

Under his administration, the Masons in this District enjoyed a period of harmony, which has since prevailed in large measure. In the very few cases where trouble arose, the brethren exemplified the teachings of Masonry and were able to reach a conclusion satisfactory to all concerned.

During the past year there has grown up a friendly rivalry among the lodges in the matter of accomplishing standard work, the result being a keen interest on the part of the members generally in things Masonic. We have made progress during the year.

Fraternally yours,

J. L. BREATON, D.D.G.M. Tenth District.

ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

OREGON, ILL., September 5, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M. W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother Ashley:—The Masonic history of the Eleventh District has been without unusual event during the past year.

I have visited nine of the seventeen lodges and expect to visit one more before the month closes. I have done work in all but one of the nine.

Many questions regarding the work and the law have been asked me and I have always been ready to give information to the best of my ability.

I installed the officers in one lodge and conducted a trial in another.

One of the many pleasant experiences of the year was in conducting a three days' school for Shabbona Lodge No. 374. The brethren there are thorough Masons, all anxious to learn and kindly extended me every personal and official courtesy possible. I wish that more schools could be held; or better still District Schools. Not only would this result in a more thorough understanding of the work, but it would foster a closer fraternal relationship between the brethren of the District.

I feel also that much good would result if it were made obligatory on each Deputy to visit every lodge in his District at least once a year, and I trust that some day a law will be passed to that effect.

Thanking you for the many personal courtesies you have extended me, I am, with sincere good wishes,

Yours fraternally,

B. A. Cottlow, D.D.G.M. Eleventh District

TWELFTH DISTRICT.

Downers Grove, Ill., September 1, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M.H. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

My Dear Brother:—It is more than a pleasure for me to make this, my second annual report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Twelfth District; it is a privilege.

Most of the lodges in the district have been visited by me in the past year, and I have been accorded a most cordial welcome at each. The ritualistic work in the several lodges is of a high order and will compare favorably with that in other districts which I have visited.

Many of the lodges are doing a large amount of work, and better than that, the character of the candidates is excellent.

Three lodges have been instituted by me in the year, at your request, namely: Hinsdale Lodge U.D., January 5, 1911, assisted by R.W. Bro. James McCredie; Elmhurst Lodge U.D., June 2, 1911, assisted by W. Bro. Mazzini Slusser and Maple Park Lodge U.D., June 14, 1911, assisted by R.W. Brother Whiteman. Detailed reports of the institution of these lodges have been forwarded to you at the proper time. Each of the lodges is prospering and their officers are diligent workers in Masonry.

In conclusion, I can truly say that in the Twelfth District, "brotherly love prevails" and "harmony" is the strength and support of the order.

Thanking you for the honor you have conferred on me in selecting me for the office which I hold under you. With sincere regards, I am,

Fraternally yours,

JOHN H. GRIFFITHS, D.D.G.M. Twelfth District.

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother Ashley:—The conditions prevailing in the Thirteenth District are all that can be desired.

My only official act during the year was the instituting of Rock Falls Lodge, which I have visited a number of times and am pleased to report them doing excellent work.

Thanking you as the recipient of this peculiar mark of your favor and with best wishes for your future happiness and prosperity, I am,

Fraternally yours,
W. C. Stilson, D.D.G.M. Thirteenth District.

FOURTEENTH DISTRICT.

ATKINSON, ILL., September 20, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M.H. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

My Dear Brother:—As your representative of the Fourteenth District, I am pleased to report that peace and harmony prevail.

I have had the pleasure of visiting most of the lodges in this district either officially or socially, and find that each year the work improves and the desire of perfection increases, which proves to me beyond a doubt that the fraternity is in a prosperous condition.

In all my visits I have been received with the greatest courtesy; what instruction I have given or suggestions offered have apparently been thankfully received.

Thanking you for the bonor conferred upon me, also congratulating you on your successful administration and wishing you a happy and prosperous future, I am,

Yours fraternally,

MILTON T. BOOTH, D.D.G.M. Fourteenth District.

FIFTEENTH DISTRICT.

PRINCETON, ILL., September 4, 1011.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother Ashley:—I have the honor of submitting to you, my annual report pertaining to the Fifteenth Masonic District.

First of a'l the brethren of the Fifteenth District wish to thank the Grand Master for granting them their first school of instruction. It was the only one ever held in this district and proved a big success, creditable to all.

Next in importance is the fact that one of our lodges, located at Lacon is building a new temple. Agreeable to your wishes R.W. Bro. Delmar D. Darrah laid the corner-stone July 20 in the presence of a distinguished gathering of masons.

Our Lodge U.D. at Manlius is doing fine work and promising to be a strong lodge,

I have visited a majority of the lodges in the district and in each case found them in good condition. Of the others I can only report from heresay, but trust that "all is well."

As your representative I have been received with uniform courtesy and cordiality, thus displaying the loyalty of the Fifteenth District

to you, the Grand Master, to the Grand Lodge, and to the principles of Masonry.

In conclusion, allow me to thank you for the many courtesies which you have extended to me, and especially for the honor of being your representative.

Fraternally yours,

Francis H. Bradley, D.D.G.M. Sixteenth District.

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

Joliet, Ill., September 23, 1911.

11. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother:—The lodges of the Seventeenth District have enjoyed their share of the prosperity which has generally obtained in this Grand Jurisdiction during the past year, and peace and harmony have prevailed. The work of the two Joliet lodges has been somewhat curtailed during this summer and fall by reason of remodeling their Temple, which will not be completed so that work can be done therein much, if any, before January 1. Sister lodges have courteously tendered their services and lodge rooms, and degrees have been conferred by them for the Joliet lodges, so that their work has not been entirely interrupted. When the new Temple shall be ready for occupancy, it will be conveniently arranged for degree work, attractive and comfortable, and with the increased space available will practically double the capacity of these lodges.

In looking back over my eighteen years' service as District Deputy Grand Master, I find that my terms have been coetaneous with a very prosperous period in the history of Masonry in Illinois. Appointed at the close of the session of the Grand Lodge of 1893, with the coming session I will have completed eighteen years' service. Omitting the last year, the data for which is not available, the following interesting facts are obtainable from the proceedings from 1893 to 1910. In 1893 the membership in Illinois was 48,222, divided among 772 lodges, making an average membership of 62.46+. In 1910, there were 787 lodges with a total membership of 101,692, an average of 129+ for each lodge. showing during the seventeen years an increase of only fifteen lodges and more than 100 per cent gain in membership. In the territory now comprising the Seventeenth District in 1893 there were thirteen lodges with a membership of 1,072, an average of 82+; while in 1910, there were fifteen lodges with a membership of 2,009, an average of 134, showing an increase of two lodges and a gain of 937 members, or 87 per cent during the seventeen years. While the increase in this District has not equalled the average for the entire jurisdiction for the period stated, I think it is not behind that of the state, outside of Cook county; and I am persuaded that the advancement of the fraternity within the Seventeenth District in accuracy of work and along other Masonic' lines has been fully equal to that of the entire Grand Jurisdiction. The year just closing, I am sure will make as good a showing as any of the seventeen preceding it, both in this District and throughout Illinois, and I desire to congratulate you in that in closing your active Masonic career so much has been accomplished for the advancement of Masonry in all legitimate lines during your incumbancy of the office of M.W. Grand Master.

Fraternally yours,

INO. B. FITHIAN, D.D.G.M. Seventeenth District.

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT.

CLIFTON, ILL., September 8, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother:—My report of the Masonic condition of the Eighteenth District must necessarily be similar to the report of previous years, owing, of course, to the fact that nothing outside of the usual routine has transpired in lodge work. One very important feature, however, of the year's transaction has been the completion of the Masonic Temple at Kankakee, and in order to give Masons and non-Masons alike an opportunity to view the building and its elaborate furnishings, an informal reception was held. The temple was thronged with people from early in the evening, and nothing but commendatory words could be heard on every hand.

I am sure that the lodges of the Eighteenth District have been doing their full quota of work and nothing outside of the usual conditions have prevailed in lodge circles.

I appreciate your courtesy in reappointing me District Deputy Grand Master of the Eighteenth District and hold myself in readiness to assist you wherever and whenever I can be of service.

Fraternally yours,

N. T. Stevens, D.D.G.M. Eighteenth District.

NINETEENTH DISTRICT.

GIBSON CITY, ILL., September 6, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother Ashley:—It affords me pleasure to report that harmony and prosperity prevail throughout the Nineteenth District.

During the past year my duties as your representative have been light and nothing has arisen to necessitate an official visit.

Congratulating you on your successful administration and thanking you for the honor, I am,

Fraternally yours,

W. A. HOOVER, D.D.G.M. Nineteenth District.

TWENTIETH DISTRICT.

Peoria, Ill., September 1, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother Ashley:—I herewith submit to you my report for the Twentieth Masonic District.

The lodges in this district have been fairly active in spite of the intense heat which prevailed over the country. There has been very little friction among the members of the craft. I presided at one Masonic trial, in Groveland Lodge No. 352, in the Twenty-fifth District at the request of the brethren and sanction of R.W. Bro. L. W. Lawton, District Deputy Grand Master of that district, the outcome of which I wrote you.

On October 27. 1910, I instituted Joseph Robbins Lodge U.D. in the southern part of the city, and I am glad to report to you of the progress they are making, not alone in numbers but in the spirit of brotherly love which prevails. I am quite proud of them. When instituted there was but one member (the Master) who knew the work, the rest of them could not have opened the lodge with a crowbar, but with a desire to learn and patient training they can now open and close and confer the three degrees with very few, if any, mistakes. They have sent in their petition for a charter which I earnestly hope will be granted. They are all earnest, active men, and are looking forward to a visit from you.

Congratulating you on the success of your administration, and thanking you for the honor you have conferred on me, making me your representative, and wishing you a long and successful future, I am,

Fraternally yours,

JOHN C. Weis, D.D.G.M. Twentieth District.

TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

GALESBURG, ILL., August 30, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother Ashley:—Throughout the Twenty-first District during the Masonic year, peace and harmony prevailed.

I have visited unofficially several of the lodges in my district and assisted in conferring degrees, installing officers, and wherever I have gone I was most cordially received.

Thanking you for kind advice and the courtesy extended on my visit to Illinois Masonic Home and with kindest personal regards, I remain,

Sincerely and fraternally,

C. T. Holmes, D.D.G.M. Twenty-first District.

TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

Aledo, Ill., August 31, 1911.

.1. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother Ashley:—Herewith please find my report as District Deputy Grand Master for the Twenty-second District.

During the past year, I have visited several of the lodges in the district and in every instance was most cordially received.

Two of our lodges, Pre-emption No. 755 and Charity No. 838, had the misfortune to lose their belongings by fire. However, they were not discouraged, but have made temporary arrangements and everything is going along nicely.

On February 14, 15, 16, 1911, we held a Masonic School of Instruction for the Twenty-second District, at Aledo. This school was in charge of R.W. Bro. A. H. Scrogin, Secretary Board Grand Examiners. We had an attendance of over 200 and much good was accomplished.

On June 30, 1011, acting as your proxy, I had the honor of instituting Joy Lodge U. D. at Joy, Illinois, a report of which I made you under date of July 1. This lodge starts out with excellent prospects and I am looking for good things from them.

I feel that Masonry in this district is enjoying a good substantial growth and that peace and harmony prevail throughout.

Thanking you for the courtesies extended to me and with kind personal regards, I am.

Very fraternally,

C. L. Gregory, D.D.G.M. Twenty-second District.

TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

BUSHNELL, ILL., September 15, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Sir and Brother:—I have the pleasure of submitting herewith my report as your representative in the Twenty-third Masonic District.

On March 8, as your special proxy, I instituted Table Grove Lodge U.D. at Table Grove, Fulton county. The brethren there have since been working industriously as shown by their petition for charter, which contains about forty names.

A number of questions have been presented to me for decision and have been satisfactorily answered, but no matter requiring official action has been presented during the year.

I wish to again thank you for the honor conferred and for the confidence reposed in me. Fraternally yours,

GEO. D. BELL, D.D.G.M. Twenty-third District.

TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

Augusta, Ill., September 11, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Friend and Brother:—It affords me pleasure to report that nothing has transpired during the year to mar the peace and harmony prevailing in this, the Twenty-fourth District.

On December fifth, I visited Hancock Lodge No. 20, located at Carthage, at which time I assisted in conferring the third degree. There was a large attendance and I had the pleasure of meeting a number of the worshipful masters in my district.

On January thirtieth, by your authority, I instituted Lamoine Lodge U.D., located at Brooklyn. On August twenty-cight, this lodge held an afternoon and evening session and conferred the third degree on four candidates. R.W. Grand Secretary Isaac Cutter and myself were present and assisted in the work. About seventy-five brethren were present representing every lodge in Schuyler county.

Thanking you for the honor you have conferred on me, I am,

Fraternally yours,

E. M. CRAIN, D.D.G.M. Twenty-fourth District.

TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

Delavan, Ill., September 15, 1911.

.1. B. Ashley, M.II'. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother Ashley:—I am pleased to report that the lodges of the Twenty-fifth District are in a prosperous condition, the average amount of work has been done, and the usual Masonic gatherings have been held in the several lodges during the past year, harmony and good fellowship prevailing.

On February 28 and March 1 and 2, we held our second District School of Instruction at Pekin, R.W. Bro. A. H. Scrogin, Grand Examiner, in charge, and like the first it was a decided success, both in attendance and interest shown in the work.

I congratulate you on your very successful administration, and thank you for the honor of representing you in this district.

With best wishes for your future happiness and prosperity, I am, Fraternally yours,

L. W. LAWTON, D.D.G.M. Twenty-fifth District.

TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

McLean, Ill., September 9, 1911.

.1. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother Ashley:—As another Masonic year draws to a close I am pleased to report that Masonry in this district continues to fulfill its mission. The several lodges are prosperous and harmonious and are, so far as I can learn, accepting only such petitioners as will help to build up and maintain the dignity of the fraternity.

On January 18 and 10, we held another district school, which was even more beneficial to the membership than our former schools.

At this time we have in process of erection at Bloomington a temple that will show the "world" that we have some knowledge of operative as well as speculative Masonry, and will provide a suitable home for the Bloomington lodges.

With kindest personal regards and hearty congratulations on your successful administration, I am, Yours fraternally,

H. M. PALMER, D.D.G.M. Twenty-sixth District.

TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

DANVILLE, ILL., September 9, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother Ashley:—In submitting to you my annual report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Twenty-seventh District, I am pleased to report Masonry in this district active and prosperous.

Following my usual custom, I have unofficially visited my lodges during the year, and, with one exception, I find harmony and brotherly love prevails.

By virtue of your proxy, it was my pleasure to convene an Occasional Grand Lodge at Ridgefarm, October twenty-seventh, at three o'clock p. m., and lay the corner stone of the new high school building at that place. I was ably assisted by the brethren of Ridgefarm, Georgetown, Indianola and Danville.

The first annual three-day district school, held in the hall of Olive Branch Lodge, at Danville, beginning Tuesday morning, March twenty-first, with R.W. Bro. J. E. Jeffers, as Official Instructor, was well attended, every lodge in the district being represented at the first session. The interest was good, and I am sure the brothers of the district were much benefited.

Thanking you for the honor conferred, and wishing you health and happiness, I beg to remain,

Fraternally yours,

C. L. SANDUSKY, D.D.G.M. Twenty-seventh District.

TWENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

Tolono, Ill., September 12, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M.IV. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother:—I am pleased to report that the Twenty-eighth District is in a very prosperous condition. I have visited many of the lodges of the district and have met many of the officers and brethren.

The hall of Ogden Lodge No. 754 is nearing completion and will be dedicated in the near future. It is a very commodious and substantial structure, being 80x40 feet and reflects great credit on the members of that lodge.

Nothing has transpired to require my official attention, harmony prevailing throughout the district.

Wishing you a happy and successful future, I am,

Fraternally yours,

WILSON P. JONES, D.D.G.M. Twenty-eighth District.

TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

DECATUR, ILL., September 25, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Sir and Brother:—I am pleased to report to you that during the past year the usual activity has been manifest in the Twenty-ninth District. Your personal presence, as a resident of this district, has been an inspiration and encouragement to the craft in this locality, and there is now, apparently, a greater desire for proficiency in the work than ever before.

Peace and harmony are not the only things that prevail in this district. Proficiency in the work, voluntary material benefits, reciprocity between lodges, mutual esteem and emulation are some of the things that also prevail.

I can assure you that there is a substantial and healthy growth of Freemasonry in the Twenty-ninth District.

I wish to thank you most heartily for favors received, and with highest personal regards, I beg to remain,

Fraternally yours,

ALBERT T. SUMMERS, D.D.G.M. Twenty-ninth District.

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

Springfield, Ill., September 8, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother Ashley:—In a Masonic way matters have been somewhat quiet in the Thirtieth Masonic District during the last year.

From my observation the lodges have not been doing their usual amount of work, and one of the lodges in the district seems to be dying of what one might term the "dry rot."

On June 19, 1911, as your proxy, I instituted Buffalo Lodge U.D.. at Buffalo, Illinois.

At your request, I made the necessary preparations for the laying of the corner stone of the First Christian church of Springfield, Illinois, and on August 1, 1911, acting as Deputy Grand Master, I assisted you in the laying of such stone, which was done with appropriate Masonic ceremonies, and before a large concourse of people.

I wish to express to you my appreciation of the honor you have conferred upon me, and extend to you my congratulations upon the able and successful manner in which you have discharged the duties of the exalted office you now hold.

Fraternally yours,

SIDNEY S. BREESE, D.D.G.M. Thirtieth District.

THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL., August 31, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Most Worshipful Brother:—Another year is drawing to a close, and I herewith submit my report for the Thirty-first Masonic District.

I have heard of nothing throughout the district requiring your attention and therefore conclude that peace and harmony prevail.

I have visited most of the lodges in the district and find them all with work on hand and think they will show a substantial gain.

I have installed the officers of five lodges and conducted seven schools of instruction during the year, but only two of them were in my own district.

The lodges of this district are all in need of instruction in the standard work and hope they will see to it and have schools in every lodge the coming year.

Thanking you for the honor conferred upon me and the many courtesies shown me and wishing you every success and happiness in the future, I beg to remain, Fraternally and sincerely yours,

C. P. Ross, D.D.G.M. Thirty-first District.

THIRTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

BARRY, ILL., September 12, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Worshipful Brother:—In rounding out this, another Masonic year, I am pleased to report that affairs in the Thirty-second District are moving along in the even tenor of their way. Evidences of contention that showed in various sections of the district last year have apparently been removed and a more amicable and brotherly spirit prevails.

There has been no large increase in membership reported but the lodges generally are holding their own.

Schools of Instruction were held last winter at Milton, Nebo and Rockport and as usual proved very helpful to the brethren.

I have had the pleasure of adding one new lodge to the roster during the year. Acting under your instruction, and by your authority on May 31, 1911, I instituted Pearl Lodge U.D. at Pearl, Pike County, Illinois, as fully reported to you at the time. The new lodge started out with about twenty members and a corps of well informed officers, and bids fair to be a valuable adjunct to the Grand Lodge.

In closing, permit me to express my appreciation of your fraternal courtesy to me and to congratulate you on the marked success of your administration now drawing to a close, Fraternally,

W. W. WATSON, D.D.G.M. Thirty-second District.

THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

QUINCY, ILL., August 26, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother Ashley:—In submitting my annual report as your deputy for the Thirty-third District, I have but little to record out of the ordinary. All lodges have been visited at least once, and while in two, neither the interest nor growth has been what it should be, yet the average condition is good.

The new masonic temple in this city should be completed within the next two or three months, and it is confidently expected that it will be occupied before the close of the year. This is of sufficient size to care for the wants of the bodies for many years to come, while out-

side of the city, nearly all the lodges have good quarters commensurate with their needs.

With sincere appreciation of your many courtesies, I am, Fraternally yours,

EMMETT HOWARD, D.D.G.M. Thirty-third District.

THIRTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

WINCHESTER, ILL., September 8, 1911.

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Grand Master, Decatur, Ill.

Dear Brother Ashley:—In submitting my report as District Deputy for the Thirty-fourth District, I am pleased to state that nothing which required official attention has transpired during the past year.

No complaint of any knid has been made and I have had nothing to do except to answer a few questions concerning Masonic law, all of which were easily disposed of by reference to the Blue Book.

I have had many invitations to visit lodges and assist in conferring degrees, to all of which, with one exception, I have responded.

The usual amount of work has been done and while some lodges have lost on account of deaths and suspensions, I believe the district will show an increase.

Thanking you for the honor you have conferred on me and with congratulations and best wishes, I am,

Fraternally yours,

R. M. Riggs, D.D.G.M. Thirty-fourth District.

THIRTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

CARLINVILLE, ILL., September 9, 1911.

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

My Dear Brother Ashley:—The lodges in the Thirty-fifth District have prospered during the past year. I have made no official visits, my social visits have been numerous, and I have met brethren from all the lodges in the district, and am informed they are all prosperous. Thanking you for the confidence you have reposed in me, I remain

Fraternally,

C. 11. Burgdorff, D.D.G.M. Thirty-fifth District.

THIRTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

RAYMOND, ILL., September 5, 1911.

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

Dear Brother Ashley:—The Thirty-sixth District is in fine working order and harmony and peace reign. I have visited nearly all the lodges in the district and assisted in work as well as refreshment, and have been received very cordially, and the work is a pleasure to me. I find no discord to mention, so thanking you for the honor you have conferred on me, I beg to congratulate you on your most successful and efficient career, and wishing you health and happiness, I beg to remain

Fraternally yours,

D. W. STARR, D.D.G.M. Thirty-sixth District.

THIRTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

TAYLORVILLE, ILL., August 25, 1911.

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

Dear Brother Ashley:—In rendering to you an account of the condition of Masonry in the Thirty-seventh District for the Masonic year now rapidly drawing to a close, it is with pleasure I can say that "harmony" with one exception has pervaded throughout the district, the exception being Morrisonville Lodge No. 681, of which you were made acquainted with at the time, and of which I am now glad to report was settled without serious friction to further disturb the peace and legitimate labors of the lodge.

I have visited several lodges in the district, but not all, and assisted in the work of conferring degrees.

Bhueville Lodge No. 647, Mound Lodge No. 122 and Pana Lodge No. 226, each on different days and dates during the year called special communications for the afternoon and evening, when the sublime degree was conferred on four candidates in each lodge in a very creditable manner, the candidates all being bright young men, and up to standard in proficiency.

Findlay Lodge No. 831 suffered a loss of their lodge room and furniture by fire early in the winter, a calamity to be deeply deplored by all.

Congratulating you on your able, efficient and conservative management of affairs pertaining to your office and thanking you for honors conferred, I am, with high regards, Fraternally yours,

CHARLES G. YOUNG, D.D.G.M. Thirty-seventh District.

THIRTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

ARCOLA, ILL., September 15, 1911.

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

Dear Sir and Brother:—My report for the year just ending will contain little of importance, as I have had no official acts to perform, other than a few installations and presiding over the deliberations of one lodge trial, by request of its Master.

The Thirty-eighth District is in good shape and the lodges are enjoying a fair degree of prosperity and most of them take a wholesome pride in doing good work.

On the fourteenth, fifteenth and sixteenth of February we held a district school of instruction in Tuscola Lodge No. 332, which rivalled in both interest and attendance some of the Grand Lodge schools. All but three of the lodges were represented by brethren in attendance, and some of the lodges sent as high as seventeen to twenty. The Thirty-eighth District stands ready to recommend the district school as a splendid proposition.

Thanking you for the appointment, I beg in the meantime to remain,

Fraternally yours,

J. E. Jeffers, D.D.G.M. Thirty-cighth District.

THIRTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

Martinsville, Ill., September 6, 1911.

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

M.W. Brother:—During the past year it has been my privilege to visit many of the lodges in my district, not altogether in an official capacity, but sometimes to confer degrees and at other times to assist in the work.

I found them as a rule in a healthy condition, some of them more prosperous than others, some having a candidate only occasionally, but on the whole I find that the lodges are taking quite an interest in the work, and many of the members are becoming quite proficient therein.

Four Schools of Instruction of three days each were held under my supervision in the following lodges in this district, viz.: Greenup No. 125, York No. 313, Paris No. 268, and Marshall No. 133.

These schools were well attended by the brethren of neighboring lodges. In some of these schools I was ably assisted by Grand Lecturers.

While I have not visited all the lodges, yet I have been in close touch with them, in fact so close that I believe I am justified in saying that harmony prevails throughout the Thirty-ninth District.

In conclusion, I desire to express my sincere thanks for the many favors received and the confidence reposed in me as your deputy.

Congratulating you upon your successful administration, and with the kindest personal regards and best wishes I am

Fraternally yours,

H. GASAWAY, D.D.G.M. Thirty-ninth District.

FORTIETH DISTRICT.

OLNEY, ILL., September 1, 1911.

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

Dear Brother Ashley:—I am pleased to report to you, that the Fortieth District is prosperous and harmonious. The various lodges are free from strife and discord, and most of them are enjoying a steady growth.

I have been cordially welcomed in my visits among them, and have assisted them whenever possible.

On May the sixth our annual District Meeting was held at Palestine. Palestine Lodge No. 849 deserves credit for the brilliant management of that meeting.

I am also indebted to R.W. Brethren Martin, Glathart, and Foreman for their assistance at said meeting.

Thanking you for the honor you have conferred on me, and with best wishes I remain. Yours fraternally,

W. 11. Rupe, D.D.G.M. Fortieth District.

FORTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

ALTAMONT, ILL., September 9, 1911.

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

Most Worshipful Bro.:—I am again reminded that it is near the close of another Masonic year. In making my annual report of this Forty-first District, I am pleased to say that peace and harmony reign supreme so far as I can learn.

I have visited nearly all the lodges in the district and find them prosperous.

Highly appreciating the honor of representing you in this district during your splendid administration, and thanking you for the same, I remain Fraternally yours,

C. O. FAUGHT, D.D.G.M. Forty-first District.

FORTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

JEFFERSONVILLE, ILL., September 2, 1911.

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

Dear Sir and Bro.:—In this, my first, annual report as your deputy, I am pleased to say that the year just closing has been a very busy 'one in this, the Forty-second Masonic District. With a few exceptions the lodges are working in peace and harmony.

My official duties throughout the year have been the constituting of Molenna Lodge No. 925, November 1, and the instituting of Sandoval Lodge, U.D., November 2, both by your orders and acting as your proxy, a full report of which was made to you at the time.

At your request I investigated a difference between Lodges No. 204 and 488, reporting to you on May 1. Within the last few days have been informed that your orders in this matter would be complied with.

On July 20, acting as your proxy, Bro. J. M. Morrow, instituted a lodge at Kell, Marion county. Having visited this place before dispensation was issued, am pleased to say the brethren fully appreciate the privileges they will derive from this new lodge and I feel sure that the future will show you have made no mistake in the matter.

In all the lodges I have visited I have been received and treated with all the courtesy possible. My last visit was to Sandoval Lodge, U.D., on the evening of August 21, when two candidates were raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason. R.W. Brethren C. H. Martin, W. H. Rupe, T. S. Browning, Anthony Doherty, and S. C. D. Rea were present and helped to make the meeting a success. This lodge has been doing good work and the best I can wish for them is that their records will be approved and that they may receive a charter.

In conclusion allow me to congratulate you on your successful administration as Grand Master, and to thank you for the honor conferred upon me.

Fraternally yours,

C. N. HAMBLETON, D.D.G.M. Forty-second District.

FORTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

ALTON, ILL., September 13, 1911.

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

Dear Brother Ashley:—On January 30 last you appointed me District Deputy Grand Master for the Forty-third District, to fill out the unexpired term of R.W. Bro. Enos Johnson, of Upper Alton, who was obliged to retire on account of ill health, and who has since been gathered to the land where our fathers have gone before us.

While I have had no official calls during the time that I have filled the office of District Deputy for the Forty-third District, I have visited every lodge in the district at least once—some of them several times.

About all I have accomplished so far is to get acquainted with the brethren of the lodges in this district and with the conditions existing in the different lodges.

I find that there is a great work for the District Deputy, and my only regret is that I cannot give my lodges more of my time.

There has not been much gain in the membership in this district during the past year, but all of the lodges have been doing good work—there has been the proper interest shown, and the work is being done in a satisfactory manner.

I hope to see a District School of Instruction held in this locality during the coming winter; not so much for what the brethren will learn of the ritual—although that is to be desired—but that they may be brought closer together in a social and fraternal way. I also believe it is good for neighboring lodges to visit each other, and there is a good deal of this visiting in my district which I have always encouraged.

I appreciate the confidence you have shown in me by my appointment, and I extend to you my most hearty personal and fraternal good wishes.

Sincerely and fraternally,

L. CAYWOOD, D.D.G.M. Forty-third District.

FORTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL., September 30, 1911.

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

Dear Brother Ashley:—I am pleased to report that to the best of my knowledge all the lodges in this district are in a harmonious and prosperous condition. Our growth has been plentiful and healthful;

this is particularly true of East St. Louis Lodge No. 504 and Gothic No. 852. It is to be regretted, however, that these two lodges, probably the largest and most influential in the district, if not in Southern Illinois, are not housed in a building of their own, or at least in one more nearly adapted to the work of blue lodge Masonry, than the one they now occupy.

With congratulations on your success as M.W. Grand Master, with earnest hope for your future success and with heartfelt assurance of my personal regard, I remain, Yours fraternally,

GEO. S. CAUGHLAN, D.D.G.M. Forty-fourth District.

FORTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

Benton, Ill., September 1, 1911.

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

Dear Brother Ashley:—I am very much pleased to report that harmony prevails among the craft in the Forty-fifth District. The most important event of the year was the dedication of the new hall of Akin Lodge, at which we were honored by your presence.

The lodge at Sesser was constituted by me as your representative, of which event you have a detailed report.

During the year it has been my pleasure to visit the greater part of the lodges in my district and am pleased to report that in every instance I found the brethren striving toward greater proficiency in the standard work.

I thank you very much for the honor of representing you in this district and congratulating you upon your able and successful administration. I am Fraternally yours,

T. S. Browning, D.D.G.M. Forty-fifth District.

FORTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

BURNT PRAIRIE, ILL., September 2, 1911.

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

Dear Sir and Brother:—I have the pleasure of reporting peace and harmony prevailing generally in the Forty-sixth District.

During the year I have had no official calls to visit any of the lodges, but have had several calls to visit in a social way and assist in conferring degrees, and all have been made very pleasant for me.

Several questions on Masonic law and usage have been propounded, and answered to the best of my ability. I have visited all the lodges in the district but three, and find almost all keeping up in the standard work.

Thanking you for the honor you saw fit to confer upon me, and congratulating you on your successful administration, I am

Fraternally yours,

J. R. Ennis, D.D.G.M. Forty-sixth District.

FORTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

New Haven, Ill., September 25, 1911.

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

Dear Brother Ashley:—Nothing has occurred in the Forty-seventh District to call for an official visit during the year just closing. After I had made my report last year and before our last annual communication, by your order, I went to Galatia to inquire into some irregularities there for an invasion of jurisdiction of the territory of Andrew Jackson Lodge No. 485. As the complaining lodge was in the Forty-eighth District I asked Bro. W. D. Abney. District Deputy Grand Master of that district to join with me in the investigation, which he kindly consented to do and a full report was made to you at the time.

During the year just closing have visited several of the lodges in an unofficial way and assisted in the conferring of degrees and devouring their banquets.

Nothing has occurred during the year to mar the peace and happiness of any of the lodges and so far as I am advised all have had a very healthy growth.

As you will soon retire from the position of Most Worthy Grand Master, I desire to congratulate you on your successful administration of the affairs of the craft during the past two years and hope that you may live to participate in several more of our annual communications and that as you reach the western horizon of life you may yet be active in the work and enjoy health, happiness and prosperity.

Thanking you for the honor conferred upon me in appointing me your representative for the Forty-seventh District, I beg to remain,

Fraternally yours,

I. A. Foster, D.D.G.M. Forty-seventh District.

FORTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

Marion, Ill., September 1, 1911.

A. 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 Forty-eighth Masonic District. Nothing of importance has transpired, with which you are not already familiar. I thank you for many courtesies shown me during the year. With high regards, I am Fraternally yours,

W. D. Abney, D.D.G.M. Forty-eighth District.

FORTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

CAIRO, ILL., September 9, 1911.

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

Dear Sir and Brother:—In rendering my report for 1011 as your District Deputy Grand Master of the Forty-ninth District, I am pleased to be able to report that no matters have arisen during the year calling for any official act, and that there is peace among the brethren and the lodges are enjoying a fairly good degree of prosperity. There seems to be more attention paid to material and as a consequence, a higher standard of membership is being attained.

I wish, as your term of office draws to a close, to extend my thanks and to assure you of my appreciation of the many courtesies extended me by you, and to express the hope that following your retirement as M.W. Grand Master, many years of life, filled with health and prosperity, may be graciously accorded you by the Supreme Grand Master.

Fraternally yours,

C. H. THOMPSON, D.D.G.M. Forty-ninth District.

FIFTIETH DISTRICT.

Brookport, Ill., September 20, 1911.

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

Dear Brother Ashley:—I take pleasure in submitting my report as your deputy for the Fiftieth District.

I have had no official calls during the past year, the only calls being invitations to confer degrees, and exemplify the standard work, all of which has been done with great pleasure.

I have also had calls to officiate at funerals, which I have complied with.

Peace and harmony now prevail over the entire district and marked improvement both in ritual and fraternity as well as in understanding of the laws are noted with pleasure and much satisfaction.

Thanking you for the conferring of this honorable position on me and congratulating you on your successful and able administration, with best wishes for abundant success and the good things of life.

Yours fraternally,
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 I. 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 I, Article II, Part I, 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 above amendments were proposed at the Communication of 1910, but consideration was postponed until 1912.

Add Sec. 8 to Art. 19, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws:

Sec. 8. There shall be provided by the Grand Secretary a form of receipt for dues to be used by all lodges. One side of this receipt shall show the name and number of the lodge of which the brother is a member and the date to which his dues are paid. On the other side there shall be the certificate of the Grand Secretary that the lodge of which the brother is a member is a regular chartered lodge of Illinois. This certificate shall be attested by a fac simile of the seal of this Grand Lodge and the signature of the Grand Secretary both printed thereon. The form of receipt and certificate to be substantially as follows:

This is to Certify, That Bro.	0.1
	,`whose signature appears
on the margin hereof, has paid to	Lodge No, A.F. & A.M.
of, Illtnois, the sum of charges to said Lodge to	in full of all dues and

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	Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Illinois,
· ·	ereby certify that the Lodge shown on the reverse side of
	ularly chartered by the Grand Lodge of Illinois, A.F. & A.M.,
and its members, w	then in good standing in said Lodge, are entitled to all the
privileges and cour	rtesies of visitation given by Lodges whose governing
bo	dies are recognized by this Grand Lodge as regular Grand
Lo	dges of A. F. & A. M.
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	Grand Secretary.

Amend Section 6, Article 13, Part 1, of Grand Lodge By-laws, so that said section will read as follows:

Sec. 6. The Grand Officers designated in Article 5 of the Constitution, and such Past Grand Masters, Past Deputy Grand Masters and Past Grand Wardens, as shall be present and shall be members of constituent lodges in Illinois (provided that if any such permanent member in attendance on the sessions of the Grand Lodge, be at the time, a sojourner outside of Illinois, his mileage shall be computed from the location of his lodge) each member of a standing committee, and one representative, from each lodge under this jurisdiction, shall be allowed five cents per mile, going and returning, for every mile traveled from the location of his lodge, to be computed by the necessarily traveled route and (except the Grand Master, Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary) two dollars per day for each day's actual attendance on the Grand Lodge, or its Committees. Provided that no one shall receive mileage or per diem in more than one capacity.

Amend Article 3, Part 2, of the Grand Lodge By-laws by adding thereto a new section, to be known as "Section II."

Section II. All correspondence of lodges with foreign masonic bodies, except in cases of emergency, shall be conducted through the Grand Master of this Grand Lodge.

Amend Section 1, Article 26, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-laws:

Section 1. There shall be but one representative of a lodge, in this Grand Lodge; such representative shall be the master, or either of the wardens, with priority according to their respective ranks. In the absence of all such officers, then their written proxies, with priority, as above, shall be recognized.

Amend subdivision 3, Section 1, of Article 9, Part One, of the Bylaws, so that said subdivision, when amended, will read as follows:

"3. To require from each brother presenting himself as a proxy, a written commission, signed by the proper officer of the lodge which he represents."

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