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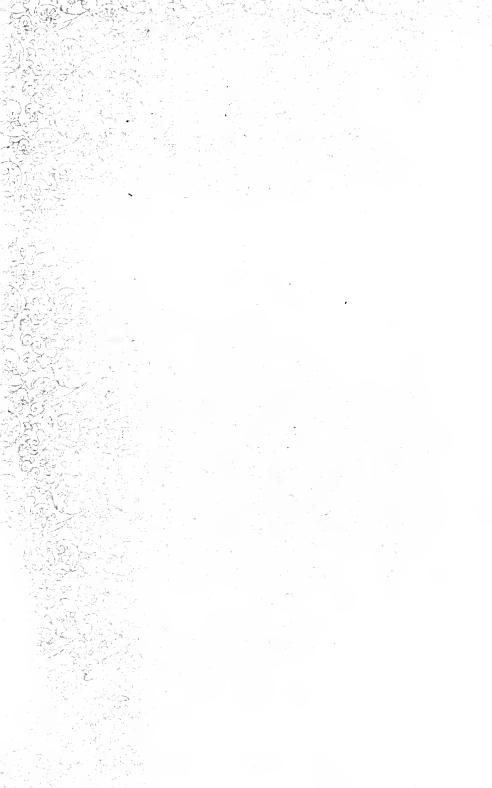
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Ancient Free and Accepted Masons

OF THE

STATE OF ILLINOIS



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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-fourth annual meeting was field in the city of Chicago, at Medinah Temple, commencing on Tuesday, the 14th day of October, A. D. 1913, A. L. 5913, at 10 o'clock a. m., and was opened in ample form by the M.W. Grand Master, Delmar D. Darrah.

The R.W. Grand Chaplain, Rev. Joseph C. Nate, led the devotions.

PRAYER.

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we praise and thank Thee for this, another assembly of this Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. We bring unto Thee our gratitude that our lives have been spared and for every manifestation of Thy favor by which we are permitted to gather here to labor and to build as unto Thee. We praise Thee that when a goodly year hath ended we may come up hither and make report as among brethren bound by common ties and bent upon common purposes. We rejoice that, when these deliberations are concluded, we may begin anew, with resolves to improve by Thy grace in our individual efforts to be faithful in all the duties we owe to Thee and to our fellow-May Thy blessing and guidance be upon all the members of this assembly of Masons. Bless and direct, we pray Thee, Thy servant, the ♥ Most Worshipful Grand Master, as he shall preside over these deliberations, and bless us all as associated with him in the working purposes of these passing days. Watch over and keep, we pray Thee, the loved ones in our homes. May Thy divine blessing rest upon all for whom we should pray. May Thy love be revealed in accordance with all Thy eternal goodness. Let the light of Thy countenance fall upon our way. And so teach us to number all our days that we ever may apply our hearts unto wisdom. Amen.

MUSICAL PROGRAM.

The following very delightful musical program was given:
"Pilgrim's Chorus," from Tannhauser
"Traumerei"Schumann
John E. Kurzenknabe, Robert Burns Lodge, Pennsylvania
"Lost Chord"
A. F. Ziehm, St. Cecelia Lodge

REPORT-Committee on Credentials.

Bro. N. B. Carson, 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—M. C. Crawford, W. B. Wright, C. E. Allen, A. A. Norton, A. M. Hallewell.

Appeals and Grievances—Jos. E. Dyas, George R. Smith, H. H. Montgomery, A. W. West, John B. Fithian.

CHARTERED LODGES—P. C. Barclay, C. P. Ross, James McCredie, Thos. W. Nixon, John A. Asserson.

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, Anthony Doherty, Geo. W. Cyrus, Nimrod Mace.

Finance—S. O. Spring, Thos. A. Stevens, N. N. Lampert.

Correspondence—Owen Scott.

Trustees of Masonic Homes—George M. Moulton, H. W. Berks, Jas. A. Steele, R. J. Daly, R. C. Fletcher.

Obituaries-John C. Weis, W. L. Sharp, Jos. Wetzel,

Grand Examiners—E. E. Beach, A. E. Wood, C. L. Gregory, I. H. Todd. Emmett Howard.

Credentials—N. B. Carson, H. A. Clevenstine, George E. Carlson, R. C. Clark, C. H. Thompson.

Petitions—J. E. Jeffers, Louis Zinger, Wm. F. Gibson.

Grand Master's Address—L. L. Emmerson, D. E. Bruffett, R. G. Bright.

Special Committee on Ritual—The Grand Master, The Board of Grand Examiners, H. T. Burnap, Edward Cook.

Special Committee on Revision of Blue Book—Edward Cook, W. E. Edwards, A. Dolan,

Special Committee on Jurisdiction of Chicago Lodges.—C. H. Martin, A. W. Gage, Jno. D. Cleveland, N. M. Mesnard, L. C. Johnson.

Laws-A. H. Bell, A. M. Otman, J. B. McFatrich, E C. Mullen.

Special Committee on Gil. W. Barnard Hospital—C. S. DeHart, W. H. Robson, George Edwards, Amos Pettibone, D. G. Swannell.

Committee on Libraries for Masonic Homes—C. E. Bassett, Samuel Frankland, Roy K. Wheeler.

Representative to Masonic Relief Association—Ralph H. Wheeler.

TELEGRAMS OF REGRET.

R.W. Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler spoke feelingly of the absence of Past Grand Masters Wm. H. Scott, John R. Thomas, and Albert B. Ashley, and suggested that telegrams be sent them. The Grand Secretary sent the following telegrams: Wm. H. Scott, Alameda, Calif.:

Greetings and best wishes from the Grand Lodge of Illinois at its seventy-fourth annual meeting.

ISAAC CUTTER,

Grand Secretary.

A. B. Ashley, Spring Lake, Mich .:

Regrets heard on all sides at your absence from its seventy-fourth annual meeting. Best wishes for a long, happy life.

ISAAC CUTTER,
Grand Secretary.

John R. Thomas, Muskogee, Oklahoma:

Regrets for your absence at the seventy-fourth annual meeting of the Grand Lodge. Best wishes.

ISAAC CUTTER,

Grand Secretary.

ADDRESS-Grand Master.

The M.W. Grand Master delivered the Annual Address. A motion was made and carried that it be referred to the Committee on Grand Master's Address.

To the Craft of Illinois:

Another masonic year with its joys and sorrows, its victories and defeats has drawn to a close and we have again assembled in annual meeting to review our labors and to plan new and greater things for our beloved fraternity.

The past twelve months have been prosperous ones and we have been particularly fortunate in that no great calamity has visited us. While our brethren of the extreme southern counties suffered from the action of the elements yet this misfortune only served to awaken that spirit of sympathy and good will which binds man to man. The ready assistance afforded at that time proves conclusively that we are one—in the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man.

The year has been one of great material prosperity for the fraternity and a substantial increase in membership is the result. Not only have there been material and financial gains but there has also been great advancement in masonic administration and in the application of the principles of the fraternity to the problems of every day life. I think that I can truly say that never did the institution so completely represent the higher things of life than it does today.

In addressing you this morning I shall confine myself to the business affairs of the year. I have nothing new or startling to report. Last year I outlined to you as clearly as possible the policies that I should follow and these have been strictly adhered to. While I should like to touch upon the ethical and philosophical side of masonry and present to you some conclusions drawn from two years' experience in the Grand Master's office yet I shall refrain and content myself with a resume of those matters which should be presented at this time.

STATE OF THE FRATERNITY.

From personal observation and investigation I am happy to state that the craft of Illinois is not only in a highly prosperous condition but is making rapid progress toward attaining a higher degree of masonic efficiency. The growth in membership is all that can be desired and the condition of lodges through the efforts of the District Deputy Grand Masters has been greatly improved. Many lodges which were meeting

in improper and insecure places have moved to better quarters. It is gratifying to know that lodges which have been in debt have been able to meet their obligations and are now in a position to maintain themselves in a proper manner. In this connection I desire to state that the dues charged by a number of our country lodges are entirely too small to enable them to maintain themselves in a proper manner and I believe that our District Deputies should encourage these lodges to raise their dues to a sum that will enable them to meet fully and fairly the conditions of our present times.

The masonic building zeal has not abated and a number of substantial masonic halls are either in course of planning or building. In this connection it might be well to warn enthusiastic builders not to overload themselves with too great a debt. A reasonable obligation which can be met will not injure any masonic organization but when the burden becomes onerous the real work of the lodge is hampered and a spirit of dissatisfaction prevails.

It would be very interesting to know the exact amount of money that the lodges of Illinois have invested in permanent buildings, as well as to know the number of lodges that own their own meeting places. I should like to recommend that during the coming year the Grand Secretary be directed to secure from the lodges of the state an exact statement of their real estate holdings and the value thereof, that this Grand Lodge may be placed in the possession of information which will be, no doubt, interesting and valuable.

FOREIGN RELATIONS.

Our relations with Grand Lodges in fraternal correspondence have been of the most cordial character. Not only have the lodges of other states done considerable work for Illinois lodges, in most instances without fee but the favor has been willingly returned. Whatever invasion of territory or usurpation of state's rights has occurred the same has been speedily adjusted by merely calling the matter to the Grand Master in charge. While I do not predict that the masonic millenium is at hand yet the prevalent harmony is regarded as a most precious augury heralding the era of peace on earth and good will among men as well as the universality of Freemasonry.

OUR FRATERNAL DEAD.

The Grim Reaper has not been idle since last we met. Ruthlessly, he has swung his scythe and the brittle thread has been severed. A number of zealous craftsmen have fallen.

Past Grand Master Charles F. Hitchcock died at his home in Peoria, October 26, 1912, after a lingering illness. It was Brother Hitchcock's last request that he be buried by the Grand Lodge of Illinois. I therefore assembled the elective officers of the Grand Lodge in the city of Peoria on October 28, 1912, and with the assistance of local brethren, accompanied the remains of our departed Grand Master to their last resting place and there deposited them with the usual formalities of the craft. It was a beautiful afternoon in the early fall that he was laid to rest, a day in perfect keeping with the life of our brother, for Bro. Charles F. Hitchcock was a man and mason, just and upright.

Other faithful craftsmen who have met with us so often have been called home. R.W. Bro. James John, Past Grand Examiner; R.W. Bro. Harry F. Smith, District Deputy Grand Master; R.W. Bro. Samuel W. Waddle, for twenty-five years a member of Grand Lodge committees; John A. Ladd, for many years a member of the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem; R.W. Bro. Henry Gasaway, Past District Deputy, are no longer numbered among the living. To these and the host of Past Masters and beloved brethren, who have gone ahead, our Committee on Obituaries will pay due respect.

LODGES CONSTITUTED.

All lodges to which charters were granted at the last Grand Lodge were duly constituted by the District Deputy Grand Masters in charge and their reports of the same are attached to this document.

LODGES INSTITUTED.

During the year dispensations have been issued for the formation of eleven new lodges. In each case a thorough investigation was conducted by a commission of three brethren and I am confident that no mistake was made in issuing the necessary papers. With our present rapid increase in population there will be a demand for more lodges in certain centers and so long as the petitioners are actuated by proper motives and the best interests of the craft are conserved I believe that dispensations should issue.

There is a tendency in our larger cities for brethren who have failed to secure office in the lodges to which they belong to seek to gratify their ambition by the formation of a new lodge, and I am of the opinion that our present law should be modified to require that where a new lodge is formed in territory already possessed by another lodge that the proposed Master shall be a Past Master.

According to our present law it is only necessary for the proposed Master to furnish a certificate to the effect that he is able to open and close the lodge and confer the degrees. I believe that the Grand Lodge should not only require the Master to know the work but should make it obligatory on the part of the lodge to be able to confer the three degrees with the several officers in the various stations and places. A good beginning is an assurance of a successful lodge.

Dedications.

During the year I have dedicated eleven masonic halls in person and four by proxy. In every instance these ceremonies were performed with dignity and decorum and in a manner to reflect credit upon the Grand Lodge. A detailed report of these ceremonies and the participants accompanies this document.

CORNER-STONES.

During the year I have laid the corner-stones of two Masonic Temples, two hospitals, one library and two high school buildings. I have discouraged as much as possible the promiscuous laying of corner-stones, believing that such practice is not in accordance with the customs of Freemasonry. There is a growing sentiment that the ceremony should be confined to purely masonic buildings. Whatever may be the force of this argument, I am convinced that the Grand Lodge should more clearly define what is meant by "acknowledged public structures" as outlined in the book of ceremonials. During the year I was asked to lay the corner-stone of a jail and when I demurred the argument was advanced that it was a public building erected with public funds. I declined to lay the corner-stone of a government building because of the fact that the authorities do not allow an inscription to be placed upon the corner-stone as required by our book of ceremonials. I also declined to lay the corner-stone of a commercial building being erected by a lodge, the upper floor of which was to be used as a lodge room. These matters are constantly coming up to the embarrassment of the Grand Master and oftentimes to the dissatisfaction of the brethren in charge. In order that we may come to a better understanding of the subject I would ask that the question be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence with the request that they report back to this Grand Lodge the nature and scope of the corner-stone ceremonial and the character of buildings which it considers proper for the Grand Lodge to recognize.

GRAND LECTURERS.

Immediately following the close of the Grand Lodge, commissions as Grand Lecturers were issued to one hundred and eighty brethren upon recommendation of the Board of Grand Examiners. During the year twenty-four have satisfactorily passed the required examination and been enrolled as commissioned brethren. I am informed by the Board of

Grand Examiners that the degree of proficiency maintained by the Grand Lecturers is of a very high order and that they are emulating one another in a spirit of who best can work and best agree. It has been suggested that the Grand Lecturers could be made of greater use to the Grand Lodge if by some means they could be assigned to the different districts as official instructors for the lodges resident therein. The Grand Lecturers are of great value in our Grand Lodge organization and any plan that will give them due recognition and increase their usefulness will be welcomed.

Schools of Instruction.

Early in the winter five state schools of instruction were held in our principal municipalities, all of which were well attended and splendidly conducted. The general verdict of the craft so far as I can learn is that they were among the best of the many state schools conducted by the Grand Lodge.

At the last session of the Grand Lodge the sum of \$500 was appropriated for the purpose of conducting district schools in neglected portions of the state. Ten such schools were held in charge of members of the Board of Grand Examiners. I received many letters from brethren, who were benefited by these schools, expressing gratification that the Grand Lodge has made this provision. Many other district schools were conducted by brethren of the district. The district school has become a necessary adjunct of the state school and is doing a great amount of good in reaching individual Masons and lodge officers who for various reasons might not be able to attend a state school. I trust that the Grand Lodge will continue its policy of financing a limited number of district schools and will place in the hands of the Grand Master each year a sum of money which will enable him to carry forward this good work.

DISPENSATIONS.

During the year I have received the usual number of requests for dispensations for various purposes. I have granted such as were sanctioned by law and refused all others. I believe that our law should be modified to permit a lodge whose stated meeting falls upon a legal holiday to waive same without the necessity of applying to the Grand Master for a dispensation for that purpose.

I have had a number of requests to re-ballot upon petitioners who have been rejected, various reasons being advanced as to why a mistake had been made, such as faulty ballot box, misunderstanding of the name, etc. In one month there were presented to me three petitions from three different lodges asking for a dispensation to re-ballot and signed by every brother present at the time the ballot was spread. In each petition

the signers declared that there had been a mistake and that an injustice had been done to a worthy man. Wishing to give the matter a thorough test I issued the necessary dispensations and later learned that in each instance the petitioner had been again rejected. Evidently, some one of the petitioners for dispensation falsified in affixing his name to a document which he knew was not true. I am convinced that much of the rejection of material is founded upon just grounds and that a dispensation to re-ballot will not change the result.

VISITATIONS.

During my term of office I have visited a great many Illinois lodges where I have been cordially received and extended every courtesy. I have really visited more lodges than I should, but the invitations in many instances were so pressing that it was difficult to decline.

The Masons of Illinois want to see their Grand Master and that brother who fills the office with sufficient time on his hands to meet with his brethren often is indeed fortunate and is passing some of the most delightful hours of his life.

During the month of March I was in the state of New York, where in company with R.W. Bro. Geo. Friefied, Deputy Grand Master of that great state, I was officially received in Altair lodge of Brooklyn. It was a great pleasure to meet our brethren of New York, where I found masonry in a prosperous condition and the whole masonic atmosphere tingling with fraternity and fellowship.

It was my pleasure last May to visit the Grand Lodge of Indiana and to address that splendid body of men. This Grand Lodge is thoroughly progressive and one cannot help being impressed with the spirit of true fraternity and brotherly helpfulness which is so manifest among our Indiana brethren.

September 11, in company with Bro. J. Henry Williams, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, it was my pleasure to visit Lodge No. 432 and witness the conferring of the third degree. This work was purposely arranged for me by Brother Williams, that I might have an opportunity of seeing the degree as conferred by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, which I believe adheres more closely to the old traditions and customs of the fraternity than perhaps any other Grand Lodge. The evening was one of rare pleasure and instruction to me and I came home a more loyal supporter than ever of the work of our Committee on Revision of Ritual. I am now fully persuaded that the accomplishment of the committee has not been in the nature of improvement but rather a return to original forms and expressions in many instances.

When elected Grand Master I said that I would visit each Grand Lodge bordering on our own jurisdiction but I soon found that I could not do the visiting expected at home, much less go away from home. I believe, however, that Illinois ought to maintain a closer relationship, with neighboring Grand Lodges and send a representative to each of their annual meetings.

DISCIPLINE.

At the last session of the Grand Lodge the Grand Master was directed to take steps to see that proper discipline was administered to the Master of Cerro Gordo lodge for participation in the use of cipher rituals in that lodge. As soon as the action of the Grand Lodge became known to the members a large delegation called on me at my office in Bloomington, together with the Master to plead leniency. The Master openly acknowledged his fault and his willingness to accept any punishment. After a due consideration of all the circumstances connected with the case I deposed the Master from office for a period of six months and placed the lodge in charge of the Senior Warden. I believe that the lesson has had the desired effect and that Cerro Gordo lodge has profited thereby.

At the last Grand Lodge attention was called to the publication in a southern Illinois newspaper of an article reflecting upon the integrity of certain members of Rome lodge at Dix, Ill. The matter was at once taken up with the lodge at that place and the several brethren who signed the article were placed on trial and properly disciplined.

A number of other cases requiring discipline have received attention but I shall not burden you with their details. All of them have been disposed of satisfactorily with the exception of three which are now on appeal before this Grand Lodge.

OHIO AND ILLINOIS FLOODS.

It is unnecessary to rehearse for you the incidents connected with the disastrous floods which visited Ohio, Indiana and Illinois in the early spring. In response to an appeal from the Grand Lodge of Ohio the sum of \$1,000 was sent from our treasury. We were also ready to assist our good brethren of Indiana but were informed that they had the situation well in hand and did not need financial aid.

The situation in Illinois being rather alarming and applications for assistance reaching me daily I caused an appeal to the lodges of Illinois to be issued and the splendid sum of \$11,391.50 was soon realized. To distribute this sum of money among those who were most affected, I appointed a committee consisting of Bros. Phil C. Barclay of Cairo, E. J. Cowling of Metropolis, J. C. Davenport of Harrisburg, and L. A.

Goddard, Grand Treasurer. This committee have made a detailed report of their transactions and accounts which is appended herewith. I am informed that there is quite an unexpended balance in the hands of this committee, amounting to \$5,891.50, which I would recommend be placed in a special fund to be used by the Grand Master in times of emergency.

REVISION OF BLUE BOOK.

In accordance with the action of this Grand Lodge at its last meeting, the Committee on Revision of the Blue Book has been busy and the result of their labors has been presented to you in printed form. It is believed that the committee has done a splendid piece of work. The arrangements of the book by sections and the topical arrangement of the various subjects should commend themselves to all who value a ready reference. As the work of the committee is in the nature of an amendment it will have to lie over for one year and this will give everyone an opportunity to familiarize himself with what has been done.

REVISION OF THE RITUAL.

At the last meeting of this Grand Lodge the matter of the revision and formal adoption of the ritual was brought up and a committee appointed for that purpose. The real object in view should not be lost sight of. The present Grand Master wanted the ritual to be formally adopted by this Grand Lodge and the power to change it taken out of the Grand Master's hands and vested in the Grand Lodge itself. Many able Masons who were agreed upon this particular point, insisted that before this was done the work and lectures should be corrected and made as nearly perfect as possible, hence the action taken by the Grand Lodge in the appointment of a Committee on Revision.

The committee commenced their labors soon after the close of the Grand Lodge and held many long and tedious sessions. The work of revision was conducted in a careful and painstaking manner. Many suggestions were sent to the committee by brethren, all of which received due consideration. It was impossible to please everyone and I do not suppose that the several members of the committee secured all the improvements which they desired. No change was made, except upon concurrence of six of the nine members of the committee from which it should be recognized that a correction must have some merit to receive the necessary majority.

The whole purpose of the committee was not to tear down but to build up, not to lengthen but to shorten if possible. Not to render the work more complex but to simplify it, as evidenced in the uniformity of expression between the floor work and the lectures. In response to a general demand, a short form of opening and closing at special meetings has been prepared which finds much favor with our larger lodges.

The great problem which confronted the committee was how to get the result of their labors before the craft. At all times the committee were frank and open with their brethren, informing them at once of every change that they had made, but to get the text of the revision before the lodges of the state was no small task, inasmuch as none of it could be printed.

The committee therefore decided to complete their work as promptly as possible and to have same exemplified at the schools of instruction. This was done, no actual candidates being used for the purpose, the whole time being given to the object in view. The desire was to inform the Masons of Illinois of what had been accomplished so that they might come to this Grand Lodge and vote intelligently.

The argument, that has been advanced to the effect that if this revision is adopted it will be an invitation to future Grand Masters to appoint committees to inject into the ritual their pet ideas is merely a projection of those obstructionists who will be found in every human society and is so manifestly false that it needs only to be mentioned that it may be despised. If the report of this committee is adopted in the form that it will be presented to this Grand Lodge it means that the Grand Lodge itself assumes control of the ritual and that any Grand Master or any other brother who wants a change in the ritual will have to secure a two-thirds vote of the Grand Lodge in annual meeting before he can gain the desired point.

I believe that the work of the committee is sane, reasonable and valuable and that their report should be adopted by this Grand Lodge. The mere fact that the committee has made the work of the floor uniform with the lectures of the East, thus eliminating many perplexing changes should appeal to you Masters of lodges who have none too much time to spend in learning the work, much less in retaining it.

Conference of Grand Masters.

Early in the year I received a courteous and fraternal letter from M.W. Bro. Elmer F. Gay, of Indianapolis, asking if I would participate in a conference of Grand Masters to be held in that city some time in March. I informed him that I should be glad to do so and in due time received a formal invitation to be present at a meeting to be held March 18 and 10. I accordingly invited the Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. H. T. Burnap, Senior Grand Warden R.W. R. H. Wheeler and Junior Grand Warden R.W. Bro. A. H. Scrogin to accompany me. Only the Senior Grand Warden was able to be present.

In response to the invitation seventeen Grand Masters and a number of Grand Secretaries assembled in the beautiful Masonic Temple in Indianapolis on the morning of March 18, where they were cordially welcomed by our Indiana brethren. The conference opened with M.W. Bro. Elmer F. Gay presiding. Like Banquo's ghost that great masonic bugaboo, a National Grand Lodge, reappeared and there was a scramble to disclaim any thought or connection with such an enterprise and it was promptly reinterred. After some discussion the platform of the Philadelphia conference was reaffirmed and various other matters considered without any action being taken.

It looked at the beginning like it was going to be a conference of Grand Secretaries, as our genial friend and brother Lou B. Windsor, of Michigan, expressed it, but matters soon righted themselves and the Grand Masters had their say.

Beyond the mere exchange of ideas, nothing was accomplished by the conference. Each state seems to be so irretrievably entrenched behind its own customs and procedures that it refuses to consider anything else. I doubt whether any Grand Masters' conference will ever accomplish anything in the way of uniform laws because of the spirit of local autonomy, which is so prevalent in each Grand Jurisdiction.

From a social standpoint, the Indiana Conference was a huge success. Our Indiana brethren are royal entertainers and certainly maintained a reputation for hospitality which cannot be excelled. It was a great pleasure to meet the several Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries who were present and I shall long remember the Indiana meeting as one of the most pleasant of my masonic experience.

NEW LODGES.

In times past the Grand Lodge has been exceedingly careless in the matter of new lodges. Not only has there been carelessness in the process of formation but charters have been awarded without a proper knowledge of the condition of the new lodge. This is clearly proven by the number of comparatively new lodges which are today in a precarious condition. Heretofore, the Committee on Lodges U.D. passed the lodge merely upon its record book. A clever secretary could write a correct set of minutes and regardless of what the practice of the lodge had been a charter was recommended. On the contrary a poor secretary could prevent an excellent working lodge from receiving its charter simply because of his inability to correctly record the transactions.

I have felt for a long time that the Committee on Lodges U.D. should have a more intimate knowledge of the actual conditions existing in a new lodge, before recommending it to the Grand Lodge for a charter. Believing that such information could only be derived from per-

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sonal visitation and inspection of the workings of the organization, I suggested to the committee that they arrange for the several members to visit the lodges under dispensation and advise themselves of conditions in the lodge as found by investigation. The experiment which is being tried by the committee this year and their report upon the practical working of the plan, which will be read to this Grand Lodge, will be watched with great interest.

Pearl Lodge.

Soon after the close of last Grand Lodge it was found that we had two Pearl lodges in the state, one at Pearl City and one at Pearl, the condition having been discovered by a neighboring Grand Master. As the lodge at Pearl was the last to be chartered, I called their attention to the fact that they would have to change the name of their lodge, which they willingly did and now call themselves Pleasant View lodge. The action of the lodge will be presented to this Grand Lodge for ratification.

ABSENCE OF LODGE BY-LAWS.

It has been found that a large number of lodges are not only without by-laws but fail to provide them in any form whatever for candidates to sign as required by law. One of the District Deputies asked a Master what he had his candidates sign at the close of the third degree. He replied, "Oh we just have him sign the minutes." As long as the candidate did not know what he was signing no harm was done, but the incident serves to illustrate the amount of lax lodge procedure and the necessity of district supervision.

OUR HOMES.

The Masons of Illinois have a right to feel justly proud of the two splendid Homes which are maintained by the Grand Lodge. These institutions are in a good condition and are being well managed. Every effort has been made to administer their affairs economically and to keep within the Grand Lodge appropriation. The Home at Sullivan is practically full and the time is not far distant when the erection of another building at that institution will claim the attention of the Grand Lodge.

It should be remembered that the Grand Lodge has just commenced its charitable work through the medium of Masonic Homes. As the craft increases in number there will be a greater demand for admission. As a result more buildings will be required and larger maintenance funds. All this will be promptly taken care of by this Grand Lodge which has never been found wanting in any great work which benefits mankind.

I find that there is a disposition among some lodges to reinstate old and suspended members simply to get them into the Home. This procedure is very often aided and abetted by relatives who are very glad of an opportunity to shift the burden to the Grand Lodge. Applications for admission are frequently made by brethren who have been reinstated but a short time. The question is one which the Grand Lodge should deal with to prevent imposition and I would recommend that the Grand Lodge take the question under advisement and fix a limit of time which a suspended member must have been reinstated in order to secure admission to the Home.

DECISIONS.

I have no decisions to report to you. Very few matters have been presented to me that could not be readily solved through an application of existing laws. Some few questions have arisen and because of circumstances connected with them are presented in this report.

QUESTIONS REFERRED.

There is scarcely a mail received in which more or less questions are not asked, most of which are readily answered. During the year the following have been submitted and because of the circumstances which prompted them they are referred to the Grand Lodge that they may be authoritatively answered by that power which alone has the right to regulate these matters.

- I—Is it proper to place upon the altar a copy of the New Testament and to obligate candidates thereon?
- 2—Can a lodge appropriate funds from its treasury to maintain a baseball club composed of members of the lodge?
- 3—Is it proper for a masonic lodge to hold a picnic on Sunday at which a program of various games and athletic sports is carried out?
- 4—What procedure is necessary for a brother who has changed his name to have it altered upon the records of the lodge?
- 5—Is it permissible to hold dances in a masonic lodge room to which non-masons are invited?
- 6—Can a member of a lodge object to the visitation of an honorary member of the lodge and will such objection be valid?
- 7—Is it necessary for one who has signed a petition for a dispensation to form a new lodge to join in the petition for charter?
- 8—A man petitions a lodge for the degrees, and the petition is received by the lodge. Before the ballot is taken he removes permanently

from the jurisdiction of the lodge. What action should be taken on his petition?

CLANDESTINE LODGES.

While in New York last March I met M.W. Bro. Robert Shirrefs, Committee on Correspondence Grand Lodge of New Jersey, who called my attention to the activities of the Grand Orient of Italy in establishing Italian lodges in this country. Among the published list was one at Collinsville, Ill. It appears that through the connivance of a shrewd Italian lawyer these lodges are being protected by charters from the states wherein they are located.

Upon my return home I made an investigation and found that one of these lodges has been formed at Springfield and at several other Illinois cities and that the organization is fast propagating itself in our state. I do not know what action, if any, this Grand Lodge should take. I merely report the facts so that the Grand Lodge may be informed of the activities of this propaganda.

GRAND SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

This Grand Lodge is still operating many of its departments under the same conditions which obtained twenty-five years ago when we had but 40,000 masons and 680 lodges. The time has come when the Grand Secretary's office should be brought to a state of efficiency that will be adequate to the increasing volume of Grand Lodge business. Under the present system the Grand Secretary is allowed a fixed salary out of which he is required to pay his office rent and clerk hire. This is not only unfair and unbusiness like but forces upon that official a system of economy which is not always to the best interests of the Grand Lodge. The recent installation of the card index system has almost doubled the work of the Grand Secretary. The time has come when the Grand Lodge must furnish the Grand Secretary with a competent clerk and it should also pay his office rent. I ask that this subject be referred to the finance committee with instructions to make a thorough investigation during the coming year of the needs of the Grand Secretary's office and to report their conclusions and recommendations to this Grand Lodge at its next annual meeting.

UNIFORM RECEIPTS.

In accordance with the action of this Grand Lodge at its last session a uniform receipt for dues was prepared and lodges are rapidly supplying themselves. Since the receipt was issued I have had numerous requests from lodges for slight alterations of the form to meet individual ideas such as the use of crests, monograms, gold and silver seals, etc. I have declined to allow any change whatever in the form as adopted by the

Grand Lodge believing that if we are to have a uniform receipt it should be so in every particular. In order that lodges may be informed as to the attitude of the Grand Lodge upon the subject I ask that it be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence with the request that they inform the Grand Lodge at this meeting to what extent alterations of the present uniform receipt may be permitted.

Intellectual Masonry.

At the last session of this Grand Lodge I said something about intellectual masonry. I am happy to state that the few words spoken upon that subject were well received and have been productive of a desire toward a better understanding of masonry, its history, symbolism, object and purposes. During the year, a great many lodges have held series of lectures upon masonic subjects and it has been impossible to supply the demand for masonic talkers. This intellectual awakening presages much good for the fraternity, for with a better understanding of the society will come those results which cannot be derived from mere ritualistic exhibition.

BEGGING CIRCULARS.

It is one of the unwritten laws of this Grand Lodge that no appeal for financial aid shall be sent to the lodges of the state unless such appeal is approved by the Grand Lodge or the Grand Master during interim. This procedure is followed to prevent indiscriminate begging from lodges and to protect them as far as possible. It sometimes happens that an appeal will be sent to our lodges from another state and the result is that the Grand Master's office is flooded with inquiries, asking if the appeal is authorized and if not what to do with it. I merely mention this so that lodges may be informed upon these matters and if possible to save the Grand Master's office from unnecessary correspondence.

LIMIT OF EXPENSE.

Sometimes a lodge finds it necessary to direct a lodge in a neighboring jurisdiction to care for its sick or bury its dead. Very often this direction is transmitted by telegraph but no limit is placed upon the amount to be expended. The result is, that the lodge charged with the responsibility runs up a bill far beyond the expectation of the lodge affected. When the time of settlement comes there is much ill feeling and the Grand Masters of the several states involved find themselves drawn into the controversy in an effort to affect a settlement. This subject received consideration at the recent conference of Grand Masters and it was agreed that where a lodge is directed to care for a sick brother or bury the dead for another lodge and no specific amount is

mentioned to be expended, that the lodge doing this work shall be limited to an expenditure of \$100 unless it has specific directions otherwise. I believe that this is a very wise measure and that the Grand Lodge should get the matter before the lodges of the state in such a manner that they will understand what limitations are placed about them in matters of this kind.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

I do not believe that any Grand Master in a large jurisdiction like Illinois can keep house without the assistance of District Deputy Grand Masters, that is if he wants to keep his house in order. It is only through organization that the best results are obtained and if masonry is to move forward with the years it must be organized for that purpose.

It is impossible for any Grand Master to keep in close touch with the lodges of the state, or to know what their condition is except as this information is brought to him by special officers appointed for that purpose. Our provincial Grand Masters are of great value in visiting and inspecting lodges, encouraging the weaker ones, correcting abuses, imparting instruction and in many other ways promoting the welfare of the craft.

If, in times past, the system of District Deputies has not been what it should, the fault lies not with these officials but with the Grand Lodge which provides for their appointment yet fails to define their duties or to properly compensate them for actual traveling expenses. It is no wonder that such a lax arrangement so called politics creeps in and the office is used as one of political patronage. The argument often offered that the District Deputy should be bound hand and foot to prevent him from absorbing any of the glory of the Grand Master, who is all powerful and in the eyes of these objectors should be omnipresent, is so child-ish that I shall not attempt to refute it.

It is true that there has been too much politics in our present system of District Deputies but that will all be corrected when this Grand Lodge dignifies the office by defining the duties of these officers and recompensing them for money expended in the performance of their duties, and further elects Grand Officers who are big enough and broad enough to administer the affairs of their stations with an eye singled to the welfare of the craft, rather than in using their appointive power for the perpetuation in office of favorites and cliques.

Correspondence.

I have handled a voluminous amount of correspondence during the year and have tried faithfully to reply to every letter submitted. Much

of the correspondence which comes to the Grand Master is unnecessary but as long as Masons want an expression from the chief executive it must be expected that that individual will not find time dragging heavily on his hands. I have had a number of pitiful letters from wives of Masons who were seeking Grand Lodge aid in the matter of the correction of a wayward husband and assistance in the regulation of domestic difficulties. I was apprehensive for awhile that it might become necessary to appoint a commission on domestic regulation. There is, however, a serious side to this question. I believe that it is one in which the fraternity has an interest and that the time will sooner or later come when it should investigate such complaints and use its best efforts to maintain the integrity of the home.

Several times during the year brethren have written me to the effect that one of their members had deserted his wife and children and taken up with another woman in a neighboring city and asking what they should do? A silly question indeed. Again, Masters have written me of the disgraceful conduct of their members and asked me to order the lodge to prefer charges. Now all this exhibits a spirit of cowardice in the fraternity and a disposition to hide behind someone else. There is something sadly lacking in any community of Masons who haven't backbone enough to vindicate the fraternity by fearlessly eliminating the perverse and immoral.

SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY.

The next meeting of the Grand Lodge of Illinois will be its seventy-fifth. To have lived in the commonwealth for a period of seventy-five years, ever laboring for the moral welfare of mankind is a record of which any organization of men may well feel proud. I do not believe that this anniversary should pass unnoticed and I recommend that the Grand Lodge properly observe same and that a committee be appointed at this Grand Lodge to arrange commemorative exercises that will be in keeping with this auspicious event.

Bronze Tablet.

Early in the year R.W. Bro. William Arenz called my attention to the fact that the old water tower of the city of Chicago was being rehabilitated for preservation as one of the historical buildings of the city and that the inscription upon the corner-stone laid, by the masonic fraternity in 1867 was almost obliterated. He suggested that a bronze tablet reproductive of the inscription upon the stone be prepared and set in the stone. I referred the matter to R.W. Bro. R. H. Wheeler, Senior Grand Warden who investigated and recommended that the suggestion of Brother Arenz be adopted. Brothers Wheeler and Arenz were ap-

pointed a committee to prepare the bronze plate and see that it was properly placed in the side of the stone. This they did and on June 30, in the presence of a few members of the fraternity an informal ceremony was conducted. A detailed report of this service submitted by Brother Wheeler accompanies this report.

GRAND LODGE ASSISTANCE.

During the year I have had several calls from lodges for temporary loans to assist them in a time of need. As the Grand Lodge provides no fund for that purpose such requests have been denied. I have promised to present this matter to the Grand Lodge, as there are some members of the fraternity who are of the opinion that the Grand Lodge should provide a special fund out of which temporary loans may be made to lodges that have been burned out or are otherwise temporarily embarrassed, financially.

PATRON SAINTS.

We are told that in ancient times lodges were dedicated to King Solomon and in modern times to the Sts. John. I have found, however, some lodges that do not recognize either King Solomon or the Sts. John but who have selected some member of the craft upon whom they lavish their affection and interest. Sometimes this patron saint is not even a member of the lodge, but nevertheless directs its policy, instructs its officers and in plain English runs the entire works. Not only has the patron saint assumed unlimited powers but has received unwarranted remuneration in the shape of money and handsome gifts. Lodges so dedicated do not long preserve a state of harmony. It is but a brief time until the members resent this unwarranted usurpation of the powers of the lodge and friction results. I believe that every lodge of Masons is a unit with the Master as the head of the family and that only the best results are obtained through the interest and co-operation of all the members.

Hospital at Sullivan.

One of the great needs of the Masonic Home at Sullivan is a hospital. When the Home was first built no provision was made for a hospital and only those were admitted who were able to care for themselves. It was planned on a small scale and was designed merely to relieve the homeless. As the institution has expanded and the number of members has increased there has come an urgent need for hospital facilities that proper care may be given to those who through disease or old age have become helpless. A room in the new building at Sullivan has been fitted up as a temporary hospital but it is inadequate and some-

times as many as fifteen men are confined in these small quarters where a death produces a most depressing effect.

At present only those are admitted to the Home who are able to take care of themselves. If a member of the Home becomes helpless, his lodge is notified to take him out. This condition is not in keeping with true charity for if there is a time when an old Mason needs assistance it is when he is helpless.

Something must be done at once to relieve the situation. It is only a question of time when the help should be removed from the main building and housed by themselves. If the Grand Lodge cannot finance a hospital at the present time, let it erect a building to be ultimately used for the help and for the present convert it into a temporary hospital.

Before the close of this Grand Lodge the whole scheme of a hospital at Sullivan should be planned and financed so that work upon the building may commence at once. I have every confidence in the masonic zeal and business ability of the members of this Grand Lodge to believe they will at once find a way to equip the Masonic Home at Sullivan with adequate hospital facilities.

LIBRARY FUND.

There will be presented to you at this Grand Lodge a report of the Committee on Masonic Home Libraries. Quite a substantial sum was collected by the committee and used in establishing libraries in the Homes at LaGrange and Sullivan. The placing of the library in the Home at LaGrange was one of the best things ever done by this Grand Lodge. Superintendent Bassett told me just before his retirement that the library was the most popular place in the Home and that he found it necessary to force the children to leave the room and go out to play. Superintendent Hannum told me just the other day that it was a delight to visit the library, where every evening each chair would be occupied by the interested little folks.

The committee also provided reading matter for the old folks at Sullivan. Upon the whole a most noble work has been accomplished and good results will extend for many years.

THE SMOKE NUISANCE.

At the last session of the Grand Lodge, the subject of smoking in open lodge was brought up and the Grand Master directed to issue an edict against the same. The directions of the Grand Lodge were promptly complied with and the document promulgated. It was predicted by some

that the edict could not be enforced and would only result in insubordination and endless trouble for the Grand Master's office.

Such, however, did not prove the case. The District Deputies were ordered to report all violations of the smoke edict and were directed not to deal with individuals, that the Master of the lodge would be held responsible for violations and disciplined accordingly. There may have been violations of the edict; if so they have never been called to my attention. The action of the Grand Lodge was well received by the majority of the craft who believe in lifting Masonry from the fume of the weed. The only criticism that has been passed upon the Grand Lodge, either at home or abroad is that it did not go far enough in passing its smoke ordinance and should have prohibited smoking at any time in open lodge.

St. Joseph.

At the last meeting of this Grand Lodge there was presented a petition for a new lodge at St. Joseph, Ill., which petition received the sanction of two of the lodges affected, the third, Ogden, having refused to give the necessary consent. It will be remembered that action was deferred for one year and the Grand Master directed to make an effort to bring the brethren of Ogden and St. Joseph together.

To keep the record straight, I caused St. Joseph to make a new start and appointed a commission consisting of Brethren Wilson P. Jones, Caleb G. Stovall, and F. M. Avey, to make a thorough investigation of the matter and report. This commission visited both St. Joseph and Ogden and unanimously recommended that the necessary papers be issued. Two of the lodges again gave consent but Ogden still refused.

Early in the spring in company with R.W. Bro. Wilson P. Jones, District Deputy Grand Master, I visited Ogden lodge in the hope that I might effect a harmonious settlement of the difference but failed utterly in my efforts.

I have talked with no less than one hundred persons concerning the advisability of establishing a lodge at St. Joseph and they were unanimously of the opinion that St. Joseph brethren should have a lodge, and I therefore recommend that the Grand Lodge direct the issuance of the necessary dispensation to the forty-three brethren of St. Joseph who are so desirous of forming a new lodge.

EAST MOLINE.

In May, 1912, forty members of the Fraternity at East Moline, applied to me for the formation of a new Lodge at that place. The commission appointed to investigate reported unaminously in favor of the proposition.

However, the brethren failed to secure the necessary consent and the matter was dropped for the time being. Early in the present summer the brethren of East Moline again determined to make another effort to secure a Lodge and presented to me a petition signed by sixty resident members of the fraternity, asking that they be given a Lodge at that place. A commission consisting of Milton T. Booth of Atkinson, Swain Pearson of Rock Island and M. Helderle of Moline, after a thorough investigation reported unaminously in favor of establishing a Lodge at East Moline. Application for the necessary consent was made to the three nearest Lodges, Doric Lodge of Moline, and Valley Lodge of Coal Valley, which gave their consent almost unaminously. Application was made to Silvis Lodge located at Silvis, Illinois, and the petition was duly received on Monday evening, September 1st and a committee appointed. The matter was due for action on Monday evening, October 6th, and when called up, the Master refused to consider same, saying that he had overlooked sending out the necessary notices to the membership, and notwithstanding between thirty-five and forty of the membership were present, refused to consider the matter at all. In as much as Silvis previously refused to give consent for the formation of the Lodge at East Moline, there can be no other construction placed upon their refusal to vote upon the proposition on the evening of October 6th, than that they again decline to give the necessary consent. East Moline is a growing factory town with a population at present of 7,000. Business men of Rock Island predict that it is only a question of a few years until the town will have between twenty and twenty-five thousand people. The petition now in my hands contains the names of 69 Masons who very much desire the formation of a Lodge at that place. I believe that the brethren of East Moline should not be longer delayed in their desire to form a new Lodge. It is the opinion of disinterested parties residing in that part of the State that it will be to the best interests of the Fraternity to establish said Lodge and I therefore recommend that this Grand Lodge direct the issuance of a dispensation for the formation of a new Lodge to be known as East Moline Lodge, located at East Moline, Illinois.

Extravagance.

I am convinced that there is a growing spirit of extravagance among the lodges of today. Their reports show that large sums of money are being expended for banquets, cigars, jewels and other things. In one particular lodge which came under my notice, I found that the Master had been made the recipient of money, a jewel and a handsome solid silver service, and for no other reason than that of being a good fellow. Of course the next Master is looking for something better and the story never ends. It is true that the lodge earns the money and should therefore be permitted to spend it as it wills, but it should also be remembered

that Freemasonry is a society organized for mutual benefit and that masonic dues and fees are collected for the care of a distressed brother, his widow and orphans and for the purpose of carrying forward the legitimate functions of the lodge.

It is poor business policy to spend an income as fast as it is made. Today we are highly prosperous but no one knows what the morrow may bring, when a bank account might prove a most valuable asset.

SHADY ENTERTAINMENTS.

During the year I have had several complaints as to the character of entertainments given by lodges at their season of refreshment, some of which have been characterized as offensive and disreputable. The cabaret craze seems to have invaded several lodges and at their banquets and smokers entertainers have been introduced and presented exhibitions which brought a blush of shame to the earnest Mason who finds in the fraternity a morality, which the careless and perverse never recognize. When chided for this breach of masonic decency it was promptly retorted that the lodge was closed, and it was none of the Grand Lodge's business.

I believe that the Grand Lodge exercises direct control over every assemblage of Masons, whether in the lodge room, the banquet room, or on the street and that any act which tends to reflect upon the institution of Masonry, merits and will receive just condemnation at the hands of the governing body and that those lodges which are assuming to take matters into their own hands to the detriment of masonic principles had better take warning lest they feel the chastening rod.

LODGE INTERFERENCE,

One frequently hears complaints that there is too much interference with the affairs of lodges by the Grand Lodge. The statement is frequently made that to each lodge should be left the regulation of its household and that to it belongs a certain amount of individual liberty. No truer statement was ever made but it should be limited with the proviso that so long as the lodge is performing the legitimate labors of masonry it should not be molested. Freemasonry is a society whose procedures are peculiarly its own. Today, it suffers much from the injection into it of the practices of other societies. The lodge which understands Masonry and observes its fundamental principles does not need to worry on account of interference. It is the lodge that is trying to stage the spectacular and unusual, that is spending its funds extravagantly and for purposes that are not masonic, that is always seeking an evasion of the regulations of the fraternity that feels the chastening rod.

Brethren who desire to maintain an existence under a charter from the Grand Lodge of Illinois must be willing to be observant of those procedures and practices which distinguish Masonry, and failing to do so need not be surprised at interference with their unmasonic frivolities.

ENDOWMENT OF MASONIC HOMES.

During the year I have had two requests for the form of legacy adopted by this Grand Lodge for use in making bequests to our masonic homes. So far as I know the Grand Lodge has never adopted a form of this kind nor has it made any provision for the permanent endowment of these institutions. I am of the opinion that the Grand Lodge should take the necessary steps toward endowing our two masonic homes so that those who are so inclined may make bequests with the knowledge that the sum given will be properly administered and the income used to carry forward the charitable work in which we are engaged. There are many members of the craft who are possessed of more or less property with no one to whom they care to leave it and who would gladly will it to the Grand Lodge if they could be assured of its proper use. The subject is well worthy the serious consideration of this Grand Lodge.

MASONIC BEGGING.

Numerous complaints have come to me from business men in our larger cities regarding the practice of lodges and committees soliciting donations, contributions, the purchase of tickets for fairs, parties, dances, contests, etc., as well as advertising in tickets, bulletins and programmes, with the result that you are thanked if you do and damned if you don't. The practice has become one of mere commercialism and I believe that the Grand Lodge should direct its constituent lodges to discontinue it. Fees and dues are established and collected to enable each lodge to maintain itself and carry forward its legitimate functions and that lodge which sends its members out among the fraternity to solicit contributions, however trivial, surrenders its dignity and becomes on a par with the Salvation Army and kindred organizations.

Music.

For many years the Board of Grand Examiners have held tenaciously to what I regard as a puritanical notion that no vocal music whatever shall be introduced in the first section of our degrees. As a result we are placed in the very anamolous position of recognizing a thing in our oral exposition of Masonry and forbidding it in the practice of our rites. For we recognize music in our masonic college as a liberal art and prohibit its use in our ceremonies.

Many and repeated efforts have been made to secure from me a ruling upon this subject. I think everyone understands my personal attitude, for I believe in dressing our degrees with music and flowers, which are merely visible expressions of the beauty and glory of the God we adore. I believe in environing Masonry with everything that is uplifting. I like the man who puts on his Sunday clothes to go to lodge the same as he would do to go to church. I believe that the subject of music in our degrees should be passed upon by this Grand Lodge and I recommend that a committee be appointed to determine just what music may be appropriately introduced into our degrees and if possible to specify the exact character of such selections as may be rendered. This committee to report their findings to this Grand Lodge at its next annual meeting for adoption or rejection.

ORGANIZATIONS WITHIN THE LODGE,

One of the tendencies of the period which strikes at the very foundation of Freemasoury is the formation of organizations within the lodge. Today many lodges are barnacled with organizations such as dancing clubs, social clubs, low twelve clubs, baseball clubs, and what not, all formed within the lodge and recruiting their membership by selective methods. Funds of the lodge are often diverted toward the support of these organizations and we not infrequently find them controlling the election of lodge officers. All of this violates the democracy of Masonry and is contrary to the fundamental principle of the fraternity which recognizes a common equality about a common altar and a mutual participation in all affairs of the lodge. I see in all this a serious element of danger and a speedy return to the sovereignty of the lodge as contemplated by the fathers in Masonry is all that can save us from impending danger.

UNIFORM FEES.

A number of Chicago Masons are of the opinion that the minimum fees for the degrees in that city should be fixed at \$75. While it is true that masonic qualifications are based upon true worth and that it is manhood we want and not money yet there is a financial consideration which must not be overlooked. In a large city where rents are high and fixed charges are much above the average larger incomes are necessary for the proper maintenance of the lodge. A large percentage of the lodges of Chicago have already fixed their fees at \$75. Some few charge \$50 and the result is more or less competition for candidates, the smaller fee being used as the inducement. I have given the subject careful investigation and recommend that the minimum fee for the degrees in the city of Chicago be fixed at \$75.

MASONIC PUBLICITY.

Grand Masters from time immemorial have thundered forth their anathemas against undue masonic publicity but without avail. So prevalent has the practice of publishing masonic affairs become that one has only to refer to the public press to know the latest gossip among the fraternity as well as its internal workings. I believe that Masonry is entitled to a certain amount of advertising and that public mention of its open ceremonials and social activities is perfectly proper, but that the unlicensed publication of matters which should never be known outside of the tyled precincts of the lodge not only destroys the prestige of the fraternity but is creating many false impressions both at home and abroad.

Masonic publications circulating among the craft are entitled to a certain amount of latitude in publishing masonic matter. Circulars and documents issued by the Grand Lodge are intended for information of members of the fraternity only and not for reproduction in the public press.

I do not mind telling you that among our neighboring Grand Lodges Illinois Masonry is curiously regarded. Sometime ago a masonic journal in Chicago contained an article on Grand Lodge politics. An enterprising reporter who was more adept with the scissors than with his own mental capacities reproduced the salient features of the article in a Chicago daily. The result was that the impression went forth that the Grand Lodge of Illinois was honeycombed with politics. In my travels in other Grand Jurisdictions I have been repeatedly asked, "What is the matter with Masonry in Illinois that it has become so embroiled in politics?" I have used my best endeavors to refute the impression but the harm remains.

Quite recently the newly formed Grand Lecturers' association, issued a circular calling upon the members to inaugurate a crusade against profanity, patronizing bar rooms and other irregularities among Masons. The text of this reform circular has been reprinted in a large number of Illinois newspapers and has brought forth a vigorous protest against the publication of such matter which not only reflects upon the fraternity as a whole but brands it as a society of degenerates. One brother who came to my office concerning the subject said that his wife called his attention to the article in the local newspaper saying that she was surprised to learn that such practices obtained among the members of a society for which he had always had the highest regard.

I do not impugn the motives of brethren who seek masonic reforms. I do condemn the practice of printing these subjects in public newspapers for circulation among the great majority who are not masons and who form erroneous ideas concerning the fraternity.

If we have too much politics in our make up, if we are such a bad lot that we need reformation let us go upstairs and close the door and talk it over among ourselves, not employ the methods of the town crier to proclaim to the four winds of the heavens our faults and imperfections to the detriment of the whole fraternity. We are taught that if a brother needs correction to go to him, and in his ear, mark me, whisper our words of counsel.

I merely cite these cases to show to what extent the fraternity is made to suffer through the heedlessness of its devotees and I call upon all good Masons to join in an active crusade against undue masonic publicity.

INTEMPERANCE.

The world judges men by their works. Masons are known among mankind by four cardinal virtues, the first of which is temperance. Temperance as taught in Masonry is not a narrow term. It means that we learn to subdue our passions and be moderate in life and desire. It does not mean simply abstinence from strong drink, but temperance in all things, in thoughts, words and actions. Plainly speaking it means that instead of going into the highways and byways and mounting on the hill tops to proclaim a brother's shortcomings we go to him in private and whisper good counsel in his ear and give him that correction which his error demands. We pay strict regard for the rights of others so long as they relate to the law of property and the preservation of life, but when it comes to a man's reputation we are not always so careful and the abandon with which Masons peddle idle gossip, leaving in their wake the slime of petty scandal and suspicion, and with seeming delight, blacken and destroy, regardless of crushed hearts and ruined homes, is apalling. Words intemperately spoken often cause more reproach to Masonry than intoxication. Let us banish from our assemblages those will-o'-the-wisp attendants on the court of Mrs. Grundy, "They say," "I hear," "It is rumored." I can do no better this morning than to quote from the matriculation sermon of President Hadley, for his words have a masonic application: "I do not know of any quality which is more needed in our public life and in our preparation for public life than an absolute refusal to repeat unproved tales to the detriment of others. man who would be ashamed to start gossip or slander is willing to repeat it. Many a man who would scorn to strike his neighbor behind his back is content to stab his neighbor's reputation by the utterance of half truths which are worse than lies in their effect. Our country needs citizens who are straightforward enough to tell the truth to themselves, charitable enough to think no ill of their neighbor, sound of judgment to value men and things for what they really are, strong of principle to

sink the ideal of self in the ideal of duty." Let us write a new masonic commandment and emblazon it on high, Cherish a brother's good name as you would have him cherish yours.

Conclusion.

In a few hours I shall pass the gavel of authority in this Grand Lodge to other hands. You will note that I do not say retire, for as I understand it Grand Masters never retire. They merely surrender the office to their successors and take a seat upon the platform and continue to help run the Grand Lodge. If I may be permitted to but feebly twinkle among the scintillations of that galaxy of brilliant stars which adorn the platform of this Grand Lodge I shall be satisfied.

Two years ago when I entered upon the duties of this office it was with a firm determination to give to the service of the other craft my very best endeavors. I think that I have been a faithful exponent of that trite saying of our Deputy Grand Master "If masonry interferes with your business, cut out your business." If I feel any regret this morning it is from the fact that I have not been able to do more for our splendid cause during my term of office. However, the record has been made and it will have to stand.

I should be derelict if I failed at this time to make public acknowledgement of the splendid support of those who have so willingly assisted me during the past two years.

To the Past Grand Masters whose counsel and advice have been so cheerfully given and whose interest has been fatherly as well as brotherly, I return my profound thanks.

To the Deputy Grand Master, the Grand Wardens, Grand Secretary and Grand Lodge Committeemen who have so willingly responded to every call I acknowledge a debt of gratitude.

To the District Deputy Grand Masters who have so faithfully cared for their respective districts and who have been ever alert to relieve me whenever possible I am sincerely grateful.

To the Grand Marshal who has rendered such splendid service in the arrangement of our public ceremonials I voice my deep appreciation.

To the many Grand Lecturers, that valiant band of brethren who are laboring to spread the gospel of true masonry without the hope of fee or reward and who have contributed so much to the development of masonry during the past two years I make public acknowledgement.

It was a clever, well known Chicago wit, who said, "If you want a Grand Lodge job get an automobile and haul the Grand Master around." I should be sadly remiss this morning if I failed to express my gratitude to those good brethren who placed their automobiles at my disposal, thus

making the discharge of my official business, both in the city of Chicago and elsewhere, one of ease and pleasure.

Nor do I wish to forget the many craftsmen, those brethren who are the bone and sinew of Illinois masonry, without whom there would be no lodges, no Grand Lodge, no great pulsating fraternity; those masons who are ever laboring to promote the welfare of the institution, never asking for official recognition from the Grand Lodge, I frankly say that their loyalty and unselfish devotion have been my inspiration.

And now brethren I have done. I am deeply grateful for the great honor you have conferred upon me in electing me to this high office. Its duties I have discharged to the best of my ability conscious of the fact that there is no royal road to success in masonry, and that the only sign board which points the way bears that forceful word service. For:

True worth is in being, not seeming—
In doing each day that goes by
Some little good—not in dreaming
Of great things to do by and by;
For whatever men say in their blindness,
And spite of the fancies of youth,
There is nothing so kingly as kindness,
And nothing so royal as truth.

The Grand Master also presented a detailed report of the business of his office from October, 1912, to October, 1913, together with official documents and reports of District Deputy Grand Masters and Board of Grand Examiners. It was ordered printed in the Proceedings, and will be found in the Appendix.

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 1, 1913.

LEROY A. GODDARD, Grand Treasurer,

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

General Fund.

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Oct. I. Balance on hand as per last report......\$64,662.79

1913.]		Tuna Loage of Tathols.	
Nov.	8.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y\$ 103.47	
Dec.	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 10.00	
1013		Trom Isaac Cutter, Milli Stand See Jiii	
Feb.	,. 4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 144.25	
Apr.	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 10.54	
May	5.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 266.00	
June	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 306.00	
Aug.	2.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 36,987.00	
Sept.	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 29,137.40	
Sept.	30.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 1,628.15	
			68,592.81
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T	otal	::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	133,255.60
		CREDIT.	
1913		Do wiles as and per diem poid officers	
Oct.	Ι.	By mileage and per diem paid officers and committees since last report, as per	
		vouchers returned herewith\$ 3,921.10	
Oct.	Ι.	By mileage and per diem paid representa-	
Oct.	1.	tives since last report, as per vouchers	
		returned herewith	
Oct.	Ι.	By miscellaneous orders paid since last	
Oct.	1.	report, as per vouchers herewith, num-	
		bers: 301 to 318 both inclusive; 321 to	
		333 both inclusive; 336 to 352 both in-	
		clusive; 356 to 375 both inclusive; 378 to	
		406 both inclusive; 409 to 432 both in-	
		clusive; 434 to 438 both inclusive; 441 to	
		454 both inclusive; 458 to 469 both inclu-	
		sive; 472 to 483 both inclusive; 486 to	
		496 both inclusive; 499 to 506 both inclu-	
		sive; 509 to 517 both inclusive; 521 to	
		530 both inclusive	
Oct.	Ι.	By vouchers herewith paid salaries of	
		Grand Officers: Nos. 319, 320, 334, 335,	
		353, 354, 355, 376, 377, 407, 408, 439, 440,	
		455, 456, 457, 470, 471, 484, 485, 497, 498,	
		507, 508, 518, 519, 520	
		\$45,307.40	
R	alanc	e on hand\$ 87,948.11	
D.			133,255.60
			00,-55,00

CHARITY FUND.

DEBIT.

1912.		
Oct. 2	Balance on hand, as per last report\$	38,353.38
Nov. 8	. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y\$ 94.79	
1913.		
Feb. 4	. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 2.50	
May 5	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 30.35	
June 3	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 6.75	
Aug. 2	. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 23.353.37	
Sept. 3	. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 18,328.80	
Sept. 30	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 1,212.05	
		43,028.61
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Tota	.1	81,381.99
	CREDIT.	
1913.		
Oct. I	. By vouchers herewith paid since last re-	
	port, Nos. 97 to 110 both inclusive\$ 43,250.00	
Bala	nce on hand	
		81,381.99
	Home for the Aged.	
	DEBIT.	
1912.	D. 1	
Oct. 2	2. Balance on hand, as per last report\$ 588.00	
1913.	D. J. G. DW.G. 1G.1	
	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 20.00	
	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 140.00	
	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 160.00	0
Bala	nce on hand\$	908.00
	ILLINOIS MASONIC ORPHANS' HOME FUND.	
	DEBIT.	
1912.		
Oct. 2		3,106.36
Nov. 8	. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y\$ 50.00	
Dec. 3		
1913.		
Feb. 4	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 142.50	
Apr. 3	. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 235.00	
May 5	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 50.00	
June 3	. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 830.00	

Sept. 3. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 10.00 Sept. 30. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 80.00				
Balance on hand	\$ 5,013.86			
CHERRY MINE FUND.				
DEBIT.				
1913.				
Feb. 4. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y	\$ 6,846.89			
Oct. I. By miscellaneous orders as per vouchers herewith\$ 6,420.49 Balance on hand)			
II P				
Hospital Fund.				
DEBIT.				
May 5. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y\$ 635.13 June 3. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y Balance on hand)			
Official Receipts Fund.				
DEBIT,				
Sept. 3. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y\$ 828.66 Sept. 30. From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y 666.92 Balance on hand	:			
In addition to the cash balance reported above the M.W. Grand Lodge owns the following securities, all of which are now in my possession as Grand Treasurer and deposited in safety vault specifically designated as the property of the M.W. Grand Lodge:				
CHARITY FUND.				
Depository Receipt No. 86 of Harris Trust & Savings Bank for				
eight shares stock of Masonic Fraternity Temple Associa- tion of Chicago				
Home for Aged Fund.				
Six City of Chicago River Improvement Bonds due July 1, 1915; interest at 4 percent January and July, \$1,000 each, numbered 1064, 1065, 1066, 1067, 1068 and 1069				

One City of Chicago Water Loan Bond due July 1, 1915, interest at 4 percent, due January and July, No. 388 One Wabash R. R. Co. First Mtge. 4 percent Gold Bond, Toledo and Chicago Division, due March 1, 1941, interest	00.000,1
March and September, numbered 1722	1,000.00
•	\$8,000.00
Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home Fund.	
Fifteen Registered Illinois Central R. R. Co. 4 percent Gold Bonds due 1953, \$1,000 each, numbered 7133 to 7144 inclusive, 13060, 13086, and 13089; interest due May and Nov Ten County of Cook 4 percent Court House Bonds due Sept. I,	15,000.00
1917, \$1,000 each, numbered 2863 to 2872 (both inclusive),	
Coupons March and September One County of Cook 4 percent Court House Bond due Sept. 1,	10,000.00
1919, 3265, coupons March and September	1,000.00
Ten Town of North Chicago 4 percent Lincoln Park Bonds, due May 1, 1924—\$1,000 each, numbered 401 to 410 (both inclusive), coupons May and November	10,000.00
Eight Mattoon Township Coles County of Illinois 4 percent refunding bonds due 1920, \$1,000 each, numbered 30 to 37	0
(both inclusive); coupons May 1st annually Five Illinois Central R. R. Co. 4 percent Gold Bonds due April 1, 1952—\$500 each, numbered 14218, 14219, 14220, 15418,	8,000.00
15592, coupons April and October	2,500.00
I, 1925, coupons quarterly	1,000.00
	\$47,500.00
Summary.	
Securities on hand, all funds\$ Cash on hand, all funds	

Total assets in treasury\$190,869.07 Fraternally submitted,

Leroy A. Goddard,

Grand Treasurer.

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.

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

To mileage and per diem paid officers and committees	\$ 3,021.10
Mileage and per diem paid representatives	16,764.30
C. S. Gurney, expenses Austin	8.25
M. B. Iott, expenses Austin	5.00
Owen Scott, Committee on Correspondence	500,00
Edward Cook, Committee on Revision	500.00
C. S. Gurney, Grand Tyler	100.00
C. S. Gurney, expenses Grand Lodge	133.28
Z. T. Griffin, stenographer	* 50.00
G. A. Stadler Deputy Grand Secretary	25.00
Oriental Consistory, rent	300.00
Isaac Cutter, extra compensation	600.00
Henry W. Lueck, stenographer	10.30
D. D. Darrah, expenses Grand Lodge	24.17
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Lodge	61.65
H. H. Megram, expenses Commission	3.52
C. J. Wightman, expenses Commission	4.40
R. H. Wheeler, expenses Chicago Heights	13.50
C. S. Gurney, expenses Austin corner-stone	8.25
M. B. Iott, expenses Austin and Rock Island	21.45
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
C. S. Gurney, expenses as Grand Tyler	70.58
A. H. Scrogin, expenses Peoria	7.00
A. H. Revell & Co., desk and letter file for M.W.G.M	62.70
R. H. Wheeler, expenses Peoria	
M. B. Iott, expenses Berwyn	5.00
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	585.07
H. P. Behrensmeyer, charters	20,00 58.45
D. D. Darrah, expenses Grand Master's office Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's office	50.45 76.00
Hempstead & Callahan, floral emblem for Chas. F. Hitchcock	•
M. B. Iott, expenses Wheaton	5.00
Z. T. Griffin, stenographer for Wilhartz	3.00
M. B. Iott, expenses Bloomington, Saybrook and Gibson	15.66
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
M. B. Iott, expenses Decatur	17.42
R. H. Wheeler, expenses Decatur	14.27

C. S. Gurney, expenses as Grand Tyler	62.86
D. D. Darrah, expenses Grand Master's office	86.6o
E. T. Selby, printing	31.50
E. E. B. Sawyer, insurance	50.80
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's office	114.49
Express and postage	102.69
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	175.25
C. L. Gregory, expenses Bloomington	27.90
D. G. Fitzgerrell, expenses Bloomington	41.87
J. M. Hannum, expenses Bloomington	23.34
Edward Cook, expenses Bloomington	12.13
F. H. Bradley, expenses Perdue	5.00
W. G. Spurgin, expenses Lovington	2.98
H. A. Dever, expenses Bloomington	27.23
E. E. Beach, expenses Bloomington	33.83
L. A. Goddard, salary	100.00
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
A. E. Wood, expenses Bloomington and Chicago	51.41
J. M. Hannum, expenses Chicago	34.40
C. L. Gregory, expenses Chicago	36.94
H. T. Burnap, expenses Chicago and Bloomington	28.93
E. E. Beach, expenses Chicago	21.75
D. D. Darrah, expenses Grand Master's office	42.50
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	3,413.80
Express and postage	699.37
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's office	48.84
J. M. Hannum, school Cairo	62.00
E. E. Beach, school Cairo	61.40
A. E. Wood, school Cairo	53.40
C. L. Gregory, school Cairo	64.20
D. G. Fitzgerrell, school Cairo	44.30
D. G. Fitzgerrell, expenses Chicago	39.83
A. H. Scrogin, expenses Concord	7.14
A. H. Scrogin, expenses Springfield	4.25
G. J. Kurzenknabe, organist Chicago	15.00
I. H. Todd, expenses Chicago	35.6 0
A. Dolan, expenses Chicago	15.00
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
J. M. Hannum, school Chicago	36.30
E. E. Beach, school Chicago	25.00
A. E. Wood, school Chicago	36.0 0

C. L. Gregory, school Chicago	46.30
C. L. Gregory, expenses Carrollton	42.52
J. M. Hannum, expenses Hoopeston	41.71
M. B. Iott, expenses Jefferson Park	5.35
C. W. Leverenz, expenses Jefferson Park	5.80
D. D. Darrah, expenses Grand Master's office	96.91
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's office	89.09
H. P. Behrensmeyer, charter	2.50
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	120.60
J. M. Hannum, school Quincy	46.00
E. E. Beach, school Quincy	51.20
A. E. Wood, school Quincy	47.80
C. L. Gregory, school Quincy	39.50
D. G. Fitzgerrell, school and expenses Chicago	95.00
Edward Cook, expenses Quincy	21.48
C. W. Northrup, taxes LaGrange	913.91
A. N. Sanquist, Ass'mt LaGrange	200.86
I. H. Todd, expenses Quincy	30.10
H. T. Burnap, expenses Quincy and Chicago	37.42
A. H. Scrogin, expenses Kenwood	10.90
J. M. Hannum, expenses Pontiac	37.45
C. L. Gregory, expenses Metropolis	56.09
H, T. Burnap, expenses Vandalia	39.05
D. D. King, expenses Chicago	7.00
E. E. Beach for D. D. King, expenses Elgin	34.20
Edward Cook, expenses Freeport	10.38
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
D. G. Fitzgerrell, school Freeport	64.30
A. E. Wood, school Freeport	47.30
C. L. Gregory, school Freeport	37.00
E. E. Beach, school Freeport	3 6. 3 0
J. M. Hannum, school Freeport	34.30
H. T. Burnap, expenses Collinsville	21.06
Wm. Arens, expenses Bloomington	34.84
C. S. Gurney, expenses Jefferson Park and Collinsville	35.15
A. Dolan, expenses Freeport	15.00
Wm. E. Edwards, expenses Freeport	9.00
J. F. Hannum, expenses Olney	45.86
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	56.30
D. D. Darrah, expenses Grand Master's office	72.05
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's office	106.87
H P Rehrensmeyer charters	5.00

E. T. Selby, printing	61.50
J. M. Hannum, school Bloomington	29.60
E. E. Beach, school Bloomington	37.60
A. E. Wood, school Bloomington	28.50
C. L. Gregory, school Bloomington	39.20
D. G. Fitzgerrell, school Bloomington	46.90
Edward Cook, expenses Bloomington	14.33
H. T. Burnap, expenses Bloomington	.14.44
J. M. Hannum, school Eldorado	44.47
Wm. Arens, school Peoria	34.00
A. M. Cross, attorney fees	250.00
J. M. Hannum, school Litchfield	41.88
R. H. Wheeler expenses Indianapolis	21.55
Roy K. Wheeler, school Sullivan	11.95
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
J. M. Hannum, school Macomb	41.00
A. E. Wood, school DuQuoin	41.45
W. P. Jones, expenses St. Joe, etc	14.75
F. M. Avery, expenses St. Joe, etc	1.50
C. J. Stovall, expenses St. Joe, etc	2.35
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's office	106.25
D. D. Darrah, expenses Grand Master's office	66.89
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	429.10
Jas. A. Steele, taxes Home Farm	84.47
C. W. Leverenz, expenses Flat Rock	31.73
M. B. Iott, expenses Flat Rock	5.95
H. T. Burnap, expenses Flat Rock	12.10
J. M. Willard, expenses Flat Rock	6.45
D. G. Fitzgerrell, expenses Flora	36.02
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
L. A. Goddard, salary	100.00
D. D. Darrah, expenses Grand Master's office	36.26
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's office	7.00
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	64.47
M. B. Iott, seven trips to Marengo	17.43
J. M. Hannum, expenses Chicago	46.00
E. E. Beach, expenses Chicago	38.50
A. E. Wood, expenses Chicago	41.56
D. G. Fitzgerrell, expenses Chicago	53.02
C. L. Gregory, expenses Chicago	47.74
H. T. Burnap, expenses Chicago	19.07
M. R. Lott, expenses Lexington	5.40

M. B. Iott, expenses Chicago Heights	15.40
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
M. B. Iott, expenses Wheaton	6.30
D. D. Darrah, expenses Grand Master's office	105.57
E. T. Selby, printing	37.50
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	534.75
Gem City Trunk Co., trunks	13.00
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's office	69.25
D. D. King, expenses Masonic Day	7.00
C. S. Gurney, expenses as Grand Tyler	69.99
M. B. Iott, expenses Stockton	12.49
H. T. Burnap, expenses Springfield	3.75
D. D. King, letters sent	4.70
M. B. Iott, expenses Ashton	9.42
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
R. C. Davenport, expenses Dahlgren & Broughton	8.25
M. B. Iott, expenses Oakwood	13.87
L. L. Emmerson, expenses Chicago	17.50
A. B. Garman, engrossing	10.00
F. P. Smith Wire & Iron Works, tablet	40.00
C. S. Gurney, expenses as Grand Tyler	31.09
D. D. Darrah, expenses Grand Master's office	72.72
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's office	67.56
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	800.90
Ralph Terry, drayage, etc	10.00
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
R. F. Locke, expenses Camp Point and Chicago	29.63
W. W. Thomas, expenses Belknap	3.89
A. H. Bell, expenses Chicago	27.30
H. T. Burnap, expenses Chicago	15.42
A. Dolan, expenses Chicago	7.50
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	763.07
D. D. Darrah, expenses Grand Master's office	42.56
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's office	64.34
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
A. H. Bell, expenses Bloomington	14.70
A. M. Otman, expenses Bloomington	29 00
R. F. Locke, expenses Chicago, etc	41.07
A. Jampolis, expenses Lodges, U.D	36.74
E. C. Mullen, expenses Bloomington	17.70

H. P. Behrensmeyer, engrossing	2.50
D. D. Darrah, expenses Grand Master's office	47.30
Isaac Cutter expenses Grand Secretary's office	4.47
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	70.00
L. A. Goddard, salary	200.00
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.37
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
E. T. Selby, printing	41.75
I. H. Todd, expenses Freeport and Bloomington	59.32
M. B. Iott, expenses Austin	5.60
Isaac Cutter, expenses Grand Secretary's office	68.41
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	1,594.06
A. H. Scrogin, expenses Donovan	8.00
C. S. Gurney, expenses Austin	8.50
R. C. Davenport, expenses Dahlgren & Broughton	6.64
Roy K. Wheeler, postage	7.24
H. T. Burnap, expenses Chicago	27.42
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·	45,307.49
CHARITY FUND.	45,307.49
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· Charity Fund.	9,000.00
* CHARITY FUND. C. S. Gurney, maintenance I.M.O.H\$	9,000.00
C. S. Gurney, maintenance I.M.O.H\$ C. S. Gurney, maintenance Ill. Mas. Home	9,000.00
CHARITY FUND. C. S. Gurney, maintenance I.M.O.H\$ C. S. Gurney, maintenance Ill. Mas. Home	9,000.00 12,000.00 50.00
CHARITY FUND. C. S. Gurney, maintenance I.M.O.H\$ C. S. Gurney, maintenance Ill. Mas. Home	9,000.00 12,000.00 50.00
CHARITY FUND. C. S. Gurney, maintenance I.M.O.H\$ C. S. Gurney, maintenance Ill. Mas. Home	9,000.00 12,000.00 50.00 50.00
CHARITY FUND. C. S. Gurney, maintenance I.M.O.H \$ C. S. Gurney, maintenance Ill. Mas. Home Mrs. Andrew Orme Mrs. M. E. Clark Mrs. Andrew Orme Mrs. Andrew	9,000.00 12,000.00 50.00 50.00 25.00 25.00
CHARITY FUND. C. S. Gurney, maintenance I.M.O.H \$ C. S. Gurney, maintenance Ill. Mas. Home Mrs. Andrew Orme Mrs. M. E. Clark Mrs. Andrew Orme Mrs. Andrew	9,000.00 12,000.00 50.00 50.00 25.00 25.00 50.00
CHARITY FUND. C. S. Gurney, maintenance I.M.O.H \$ C. S. Gurney, maintenance Ill. Mas. Home Mrs. Andrew Orme Mrs. M. E. Clark Mrs. Andrew Orme Mrs. Andrew Orme Mrs. Andrew Orme Mrs. Andrew Orme C. S. Gurney, maintenance I.M.O.H	9,000.00 12,000.00 50.00 50.00 25.00 25.00 50.00 4,500.00
CHARITY FUND. C. S. Gurney, maintenance I.M.O.H	9,000.00 12,000.00 50.00 50.00 25.00 25.00 50.00 4,500.00 6,000.00
CHARITY FUND. C. S. Gurney, maintenance I.M.O.H\$ C. S. Gurney, maintenance Ill. Mas. Home	9,000.00 12,000.00 50.00 50.00 25.00 25.00 50.00 4,500.00 6,000.00
CHARITY FUND. C. S. Gurney, maintenance I.M.O.H	9,000.00 12,000.00 50.00 50.00 25.00 25.00 50.00 4,500.00 6,000.00 1,000.00 6,000.00
CHARITY FUND. C. S. Gurney, maintenance I.M.O.H\$ C. S. Gurney, maintenance Ill. Mas. Home	9,000.00 12,000.00 50.00 50.00 25.00 25.00 50.00 4,500.00 6,000.00 1,000.00 4,500.00

\$.13,250.00

GRAND SECRETARY'S ACCOUNT

Isaac Cutter Grand Secretary, in account with the M. W. Grand Lodge of Illinois, A. F. & A. M. To Lodge Dues for the year 1913.

LODGES.	NO.	DUES.	LODGES.	NO.	DUES.
Bodley	1	\$ 266 40	Whitehall	80	8 90 90
Equality	2	41 40	Vitruvius	81	72 90
Harmony	3	220 50	DeWitt	84	177 30
Springfield	4	227 70	Mitchell	85	105 30
Friendship	7	213 40	Kaskaskia	86	27 90
Macon	8	607 50	Mt. Pulaski	87	81 00
Rushville	9	91 80	Havana	88	100 80
<u>St</u> . Johns	13	106 20	Fellowship	89	121 50
Warren	14	57 60	Jerusalem Temple	90	2,5 40
Peoria	15	529 20	Metropolis	91	102 60
Temperance	16	80 10	Stewart	92	133 20
Macomb	17	170 10	Toulon	93	81 90
Clinton	19	157 50	Perry	95	56 70
Hancock	20 23	140 40 168 30	Samuel H. Davis Excelsior	96 97	77 40
Cass St. Clair	23	160 20	Taylor	98	361 80 80 10
Franklin	25	92 70	Edwardsville	99	126 00
Piasa	27	52.0	Astoria	100	78 30
Pekin	29	123 30	Rockford	102	384 30
Mt. Vernon	31	186 30	Magnolia	103	66 60
Oriental	33	493 20	Lewistown	104	83 70
Barry	34	109 80	Winchester	105	69 30
Charleston	35	180 00	Lancaster	106	106 20
Kavanaugh	36	52 20	Versailles	108	46 80
Monmouth	37	180 00	Trenton	109	50 40
Olive Branch	38	412 20	Lebanon	110	45 00
Herman	39	131 40	Jonesboro	111	68 40
Occidental	40	254 70	Robert Burns	113	95 40
Mt. Joliet	42	397 80	Marcelline	114	46 80
Bloomington	43	358 20	Rising Sun	115	90 00
HardinGrlggsville	44	104 40 63 00	Vermont	116	45 90
Temple	45 46	842 40	Elgin	117	384 30
Caledonia	47	46 80	Waverly	119	90 0 0 7 3 80
Unity	48	95 40	Mound	122	151 20
Cambridge	49	79 20	Oquawka	123	45 90
Carrollton	50	136 80	Cedar	124	151 20
Mt. Moriah	51	135 90	Greenup	125	59 40
Benevolent	52	56 70	Empire	126	12 / 60
Jackson	53	153 10	Antioch	127	68 40
Washington	55	66 60	Raleigh	128	47 70
Trio	57	283 50	Greenfield	129	76 50
Fraternal	58	108 90	Marion	130	153 90
New Boston	59	79 20	Golconda	131	80 10
Belvidere	60	268 20	Mackinaw	132	54 90
Lacon	61	79 20	Marshall	133	107 10
St. Marks	63	124 20 110 70	Sycamore	134	167 40
Benton	64 65	107 10	Lima Hutsonville	135 136	55 80 33 30
Pacific	66	61 20	Polk	137	92 70
Acacia	67	139 50	Marengo	138	88 20
Eureka	69	55 80	Geneva	139	81 00
Central	71	268 20	Olney	140	110 70
Chester	72	56 70	Garden City	141	1319 40
Rockton	74	99 90	Ames	142	67 50
Roscoe	75	75 60	Richmond	143	65 70
Mt. Nebo	76	111 60	DeKalb	144	158 40
Prairie	77	252 90	A. W. Rawson	145	61 20
Waukegan	78	388 80	Lee Center	146	55 80
Scott	79	63 00	Clayton	147	67 50

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Bloomfield	148	\$ 131 40	Geo. Washington	222	\$ 121 50
Effingham	149	86 40	Pana	226	208 80
Vienna	150	81 00	Columbus	227	19 80
Bunker Hill	151	81 00 51 30	Lovington	228 229	83 70
Fidelity	152 153	80 10	Manchester New Haven	230	60 30 64 80
ClayRussell	154	95 40	Wyanet	231	41 40
Alpha	155	170 10	Farmers	232	57 60
Delavan	156	99 90	Blandinsville	233	97 20
Urbana	157	352 80	DuQuoin	234	108 90
McHenry	158 159	75 60 182 70	Dallas City	235 236	79 20 82 80
Kewanee Waubansia	160	368 10	Charter Oak	237	195 30
Virden	161	122 40	Black Hawk	238	84 60
Норе	162	90 60	Mt. Carmel	239	189 00
Edward Dobbins	164	118 80	Western Star	240	379 80
Atlanta	165	79 20	Shekinah	241	174 60
Star in the East	166 168	471 60 74 70	Galva Horicon	243 244	119 70 109 80
Milford Nunda	169	81 90	Greenville	245	108 90
Evergreen	170	196 20	El Paso	246	128 70
Girard	171	92 70	Rob Morris	247	63 00
Wayne	172	55 80	Golden Gate	248	58 50
Cherry Valley	173	54 90	Hibbard	249	38 70
Lena	174	63 90 377 10	Robinson	250	131 40 98 10
Mandata	175 176	$\begin{array}{c c} 377 & 10 \\ 97 & 20 \end{array}$	Heyworth	251 252	135 90
Mendota Staunton	177	176 40	Avon Harmony	253	48 60
Illinois Central	178	100 80	Aurora	254	334 80
Wabash	179	39 60	Donnelson	255	42 30
Moweaqua	180	79 20	Warsaw	257	63 00
Germania	$\frac{182}{183}$	323 10 50 40	Mattoon	260 261	265 50 39 60
MeridianAbingãon	185	81 00	Channahon	262	35 10
Mystic Tie	187	70 20	Illinois	263	396 00
Cyrus	188	99 00	Franklin Grove	264	30 60
Fulton City	189	72 90	Vermilion	265	44 10
Dundee	190	162 90	Kingston	266	56 70
Farmington	192 193	115 20 33 30	La Prairie	267 268	206 10
Herrick	194	47 70	Wheaton	269	123 30
La Harpe	195	133 20	Levi Lusk	270	24 30
Louisville	196	74 70	Blaney	271	291 60
King Solomon's	197	54 00	Carmi	272	73 80
Homer	199	90 90 57 60	Miners	273 274	159 30 68 40
Sheba Centralia	$\frac{200}{201}$	199 80	Byron Milton	275	38 70
Lavely	203	66 60	Elizabeth	276	29 70
Flora	204	88 20	Accordia	277	174 60
Corinthian	205	54 00	Jo Daviess	278	135 50
Fairfield	206	121 50	Neoga	279	96 30
Tamaroa	207	52 20 91 80	Kansas	280 282	75 60 60 30
Wilmington Wm. B. Warren	$\frac{208}{209}$	482 40	Brooklyn Meteor	283	100 80
Logan	210	164 70	Catlin	285	97 20
Cleveland	211	673 20	Plymouth	286	57 60
Shipman	212	47 70	De Soto	287	121 50
Ipava	213	72 00	Genoa	288	97 20
Gillespie	214	85 50	Wataga	291 292	33 30 92 70
Newton	$\frac{216}{217}$	91 80 49 50	Chenoa Prophetstown	293	65 70
Mason New Salem	218	33 30	Pontiac	294	171 90
Oakland	219	108 90	Dills	295	33 30
Mahomet	550	52 20	Quincy	296	182 70
Leroy	221	l 71 10	Benjamin	297	110 70

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Wauconda	298	\$ 51 30	Liberty	380	\$ 35 10
Hinckley	301	85 50	Gill	382	29 70
Durand	302	56 70	LaMoille	383	55 80
RavenOnarga	303	52 20	Waltham	384	56 70
Onarga	$\frac{305}{306}$	71 10 75 60	Mississippi	$\frac{385}{386}$	161 10 124 20
W. C. Hobbs T. J. Pickett	307	98 10	Bridgeport	388	41 40
Ashlar	308	670 50	Kankakee	389	247 50
Harvard	309	159 30	Ashmore	390	61 20
Dearborn	310	713 70	Tolono	391	87 30
Kilwinning	$\frac{311}{312}$	661 50 482 40	Oconee	392 - 393	43 20
IonicYork	313	73 80	Blair Jerseyville	394	557 10 109 80
Palatine	314	89 10	Muddy Point	396	31 50
Abraham Jonas	316	40 50	Shiloh	397	43 20
J. L. Anderson	318	94 50	Kinmundy	398	99 90
Doric	$\frac{319}{320}$	324 90 48 60	Buda	399 401	42 30
CrestonDunlap	321	100 80	OdellKishwaukee	401	54 90 52 20
Windsor	322	66 60	Mason City	403	108 00
Orient	323	29 70	Batavia	404	105 30
Harrisburg	325	162 90	Ramsey	405	63 90
Industry	327 330	55 80 48 60	Bethalto	406	26 10
Altona Mt. Erie	331	35 10	StrattonThos. J. Turner	408 409	61 20 418 50
Tuscola	332	130 50	Mithra	410	153 00
Tyrian	333	224 10	Hesperia	411	634 50
Sumner	334	93 60	Bollen	412	20 70
Schiller	335 336	122 40	Evening Star	414	34 20
New Columbia Oneida	337	65 70	Lawn RidgePaxton	$\frac{415}{416}$	40 50 104 40
Saline	339	51 30	Marseilles	417	113 40
Kedron	340	47 70	Freeburg	418	40 50
Full Moon	341	63 CO	Reynoldsburg	419	27 90
Sumnerfield	$\frac{342}{344}$	21 60 48 60	Oregon Washburn	420 421	153 90 63 00
Milledgeville	345	96 30	Landmark	422	560 70
N. D. Morse	346	38 70	Lanark	423	63 90
Sidney	347	48 60	Exeter	424	29 70
Flat Rock	348	75 60	Scottville	426	72 00
Sublette Fairview	$\frac{349}{350}$	27 90 57 60	Red BudSunbeam	$\frac{427}{428}$	29 70 74 70
Tarbolton	351	123 30	Chebanse	429	43 20
Groveland	352	40 50	Kendrick	430	47.70
Kinderhook	353	45 00	Summit	431	74.70
Ark and Anchor	354 355	79 20 39 60	Murrayville	432	60 30
Marine Hermitage	356	73 80	Annawan	433 434	54 00
Orion	358	35 10	Philo	436	66 60
Blackberry	359	83 70	Chicago	437	524 70
Princeville	860	81 90	Camargo	440	51 30
Douglas Noble	$\frac{361}{362}$	44 10 49 50	Sparland	441	40 50
Horeb	363	89 10	Casey	442 443	89 10 80 10
Ponica	364	54 90	Cave-in-Rock	444	44 10
Bement	365	91 80	Chesterfield	445	41 40
Arcola	366	132 40	Watseka	446	126 00
Oxford Jefferson	$\frac{367}{368}$	56 70 42 30	S. D. Monroe	447	39 60
Newman	368 369	90 90	Yates City	448 449	59 40 57 60
Livingston	371	92 70	Loami	450	63 90
Chambersburg	373	21 60	Bromwell	451	66 60
Shabbona	374	68 40	New Hartford	453	38 70
Aroma	378	45 90	Maroa	454	100 80

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Nokomis Blazing Star	458	38 70	Seneca	532	48 60
Jeffersonville	460	40 50	Altamont	533	45 00
Plainview	461	34 20	Cuba	534	65 70
Tremont	462	38 70	Sherman	535	58 50
Palmyra	463	70 20	Plainfield	536	114 30
Denver	464	40 50	J. R. Gorin	537	51 30
Huntsville	465	35 10	Lockport	53 8	117 90
obden	466	57 60 90 00	Chatsworth	539 540	40 50 587 70
South Macon	467 468	50 40	Oak ParkStewardson	541	587 70 20 70
Cheney's Grove	469	90 00	Towanda	542	36 00
McLean Rantoul	470	72 90	Cordova	543	21 60
Kendall	471	87 30	Virginia	544	92 70
Amity	472	127 80	Valley	547	52 20
Gordon	473	36 90	Sharon	550	64 80
Columbia	474	57 60	Long Point	553	25 20
Walshville	475	13 50	Plum River	554	144 00
Manito	476	42 30	Humboldt	555	153 90
Rutland	477	62 10 877 50	Dawson	556 557	43 20 211 50
Pleiades	478 479	102 60	LessingLeland	558	41 40
Wyoming	481	101 70	Thomson	559	27 90
Momence Lexington	482	65 70	Madison	560	29 70
Edgewood	484	48 60	Trinity	562	105 30
Xenia	485	36 90	Winslow	564	48 60
Bowen	486	64 80	Pleasant Hill	565	34 20
Andrew Jackson	487	22 50	Albany	566	66 60
Clay City	488	80 10	Frankfort	567	69 30
Cooper	489	47 70	Time	569	25 20 155 70
Shannon	490	54 00 35 10	Jacksonville	570 572	155 70 30 60
Martin	491 492	147 60	BardolphGardner	573	94 50
Libertyville Fower Hill	493	65 70	Pera	574	38 70
Stone Fort	495	60 30	Capron	575	73 80
Colchester	496	75 60	O'Fallon	576	63 90
Alma	497	65 79	Viola	577	56 70
Murphysboro	498	124 20	Prairie City	578	36 90
St. Paul	500	287 00	Hazel Dell	580	36 90
Stark	501	38 70 50 40	Dongola	581 582	46 80 51 30
Woodhull	502 503	42 30	ShirleyHighland	583	65 70
Odin East St. Louis	504	350 10	Vesper	584	180 90
Meridian Sun	505	81 90	Fisher	585	32 40
O. H. Miner	506	55 80	Princeton	587	175 50
Tome	508	480 60	Troy	588	3 ₹ 30
Parkersburg	509	29 70	Fairmount	590	64 80
J. D. Moody	510	24 30	Gilman	591	89 10
Wade-Barney	512	283 50	Fieldon	592	22 50
Bradford	514	44 10	Miles Hart	595 600	49 50 100 80
Andalusia	516	70 20 81 90	Cerro Gordo Farina	601	50 40
Litchfield Abraham Lincoln	517 518	75 60	Watson	602	33 30
Roseville	519	64 80	Clark	603	119 70
inna	520	111 60	Hebron	604	72 00
lliopolis	521	75 60	Streator	607	234 00
Monitor	522	390 60	Piper	608	69 30
hatham	523	70 10	Sheldon	609	93 60
Evans	524	452 70	Union Park	610	1017 90
Covenant	526	901 80	Lincoln Park	611	621 00 248 40
Rossville	527	117 90	Rock River	612 613	51 30
Minooka	528 529	54 90 31 50	Patoka Forrest	614	68 40
Adams			Wadley		54 00
Maquon	530	42 30	Wadley	010	34 0

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Good Hope	617 618	\$ 56 70 13 50	EwingJoppa	705 706	8 38 70 77 40
Basco New Hope	.623	21 60	Star	709	166 50
Hopedale	622	54 9J	Farmer City	710	66 60
Locust	623	33 40	Providence	711	281 70
Union	627	31 50 63 90	Collinsville	712 713	121 50 61 20
Tuscan	630 631	47 70	Johnsonville Newtowa	714	61 20 84 60
Norton Ridge Farm	632	86 40	Elvaston	715	25 20
E. F. W. Ellis		189 90	Calumet	716	277 20
Buckley	634	23 40	Arcana	717	666 00
Rochester	635	51 30 79 20	May	718 719	31 50 27 00
Peotone	636 639	79 20 536 40	Rome	721	27 00 36 00
Keystone	641	65 70	Walnut	722	90 90
Apollo	642	560 70	Omaha	723	35 10
D. C. Cregier	643	608 40	Chandlerville	724	80 10
Oblong City	644	112 50	Rankin	725 726	66 60 828 00
San Jose	645	35 10 95 40	Golden Rule	727	32 40
Blueville	647	72 00	Waterman	728	31 50
Camden	648	60 30	Lake Creek	729	69 30
Atwood	651	79 20	Eldorado	730	92 70
Greenview		77 40	Harbor	731	450 00 23 40
Yorktown	655 656	85 50 83 70	CarmanGibson	732 733	23 40 117 90
Mozart Lafayette	657	21 60	Morning Star	734	239 40
Rock Island	658	262 80	Sheridan	735	82 80
Lambert	659	290 70	Arrowsmith	737	36 90
Grand Chain	660	27 00 387 00	Saunemin	738 739	66 60 370 80
South Park	662 664	39 61	Lakeside	741	28 80
Beecher City	665	31 50	Danvers	742	54 (0
Crawford	666	65 70	Scott Land	743	41 40
Erie.	667	47 70	Goode.	744	86 40
Burnt Prairie	668	51 30 244 80	Winnebago	745 746	51 3 0 55 80
Herder Fillmore	670	59 40	Weldon Centennial	747	51 30
Eddyville	672	26 10	Alta	748	65 70
Normal	673	91 80	Akin	749	65 70
Waldeck	674	288 00	Lyndon	750	46 80
Pawnee A. O. Fay	675 676	121 50 277 20	Lounsbury	751 752	84 60 35 10
Enfield	677	66 60	Ogden	754	121 50
Buffalo Prairie	679	92 70	Pre-emption	755	67 50
Clement	680	56 70	Hardinsville	756	95 40
Morrisonville	681 682	77 40 87 30	Verona Mystic Star		68 40 839 70
Blue Mound Burnside	683	71 10	Orel		64 80
Galatia	684	38 70	Sibley	761	44 10
Rio	685	83 70	Van Meter		84 60
Garfield	686	852 30	Crete		68 40
Orangeville	687	54 00 57 60	SullivanPalace		179 10 336 60
Clifton Englewood		873 90	Littleton		25 20
Iolā	691	20 70	Triluminar	767	416 70
Raymond	692	70 20	Mizpah	768	667 50
Herrin's Prairie	693	171 00	St. Elmo		77 40 265 50
Shiloh Hill Belle Rive	695	35 10 50 40	LaGrange Bay City		19 80
Richard Cole		505 80	New Burnside		24 30
Hutton	698	47 70	Mansfield	773	45 90
Pleasant Plains		62 10		774	757 80
Temple Hill	701 702	32 40 73 80			487 80 510 30
Alexandria	704	206 10		778	45 00
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LODGES.	NO.	DUES.	LODGES.	NO.	DUES.
Wright's Grove	779	\$ 525 60	Stronghurst	847	g 51 30
Siloam	780	499 50	London	848	36 00
Potomac	782	75 60	Palestine	849	72 00
Constantia	783 784	284 40 164 70	Austin Chicago Heights	850 851	648 00 234 90
Beacon Light Riverton Union	786	75 60	Gothic	852	297 90
Morris	787	89 10	Latham	853	48 60
Lerna	788	45 00	Brighton Park	854	261 90
Auburn Park	789	494 10	King Oscar	855	558 00 41 40
Pittsfield Broadlands	790 791	99 00 69 30	West Gate Boyd D	856 857	68 40
Calhoun	792	40 50	Utica	858	27 90
A. T. Darrah	793	43 20	Apple River	859	44 10
Tadmor	794	20 70	Metropolitan	860	465 30
Myrtle	795 796	365 40 78 30	Sorento	861 862	15 30 111 60
E. M. Husted Normal Park	797	666 90	St. Andrews	863	401 40
Sidell	798	58 50	Olympia	864	449 10
Colfax	799	65 70	St. Cecilia	865	324 90
Kenwood	800	685 80 52 20	West Salem	866	51 30 68 40
SangamonWilliamson	801 802	107 10	Chadwick	867 868	21 60
Neponset	803	43 20	Maywood	869	261 00
Kensington	804	317 70	Lostant	870	47 70
S. M. Dalzell	805	123 30	Argenta	871	59 40
Nebo	806 807	48 60 41 40	Free Will	872 873	51 30 499 50
Royal Cornland	808	62 10	Nifong	874	34 20
Gillham	809	45 90	Cornerstone	875	261 90
Tracy	810	219 60	William McKinley	876	340 20
Melvin	811 812	55 80 23 40	Granite City	877 878	156 60 474 30
DeLand Humboldt Park	813	611 10	Equity	879	261 90
Ohio	814	18 90	John B. Sherman	880	345 60
Lawn	815	204 30	Marissa	881	47 70
Ridgway	816 817	45 00 66 60	Boulevard	882 883	592 20 21 60
Creal Springs	818	397 80	Wheeler Bethany	884	59 40
Columbian	819	459 00	Villa Grove	885	82 80
Henderson	820	63 00	Hooppole	886	17 10
New Canton	821 822	61 20 63 90	Pyramid	887 888	57 60 245 70
Belknap Pearl	823	55 80	Damascus America	889	365 40
Grove	824	174 60	Des Plaines	890	108 00
Arthur	825	73 80	Logan Square	891	360 00
Mazon	826	84 60	Constellation	892 893	364 50 43 20
Sequoit Edgar	827 829	69 30 68 40	Utopia	894	180 90
Rockport	830	58 50	Crescent	895	366 30
Findlay	831	78 30	Kosmos	896	237 60
Magic City	832	208 80	Ogden Park	897	313 20
Dean	833	36 90 72 90	SilvisPark Manor	898 899	107 10 329 40
Toledo		72 00	Carnation	900	243 90
Windsor Park		287 10	Edgewater	901	365 40
Hindsboro	837	88 20	Alto	902	30 60
Charity		36 90 182 70	Elkhart	903 904	40 50 46 80
BerwynAlto Pass		46 80	Hanover	905	36 90
Woodlawn Park	841	621 00	Coffeen	906	32 40
Fides	843	197 10	Ancient Craft	907	269 10
Park	843	411 30	Gil. W. Barnard	908	113 40 198 00
MartontonBluffs		39 60 43 10		910	53 10
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Beliflower	911 912	41 40	LaMoine Rock Falls	935 936	\$ 23 40 78 30
Republic	913 914 915	161 10 144 90 180 00	North ShoreClrcleTable Grove	937 938 939	360 90 104 40 39 60
Jackson Park	916 917	214 20 162 90	Pearl Elmhurst	940 941	26 10 93 60
Sesser Elwood	918 919	36 90 38 70	Maple Park Bohemia	942 943	26 10 158 40
Avondale	920 921 922	27 00 189 90 136 80	John C. Smith Buffalo Joy	944 945 946	101 70 28 80 49 50
Compass East Gate Banner Blue	923 924	305 10 203 40	Kenmore R. F. Casey	947 948	61 20 24 30
MolennaVeritas.	925 926	37 80 442 80	JusticeGlen Ellyn	949 950	194 40 66 60
Candida Grant Park Ashland	927 928 929	203 40 31 50 36 00	Depue	951 952 953	28 80 35 10 20 70
Joseph Robbins Wilmette	930 931	67 50 204 30	Progressive	954 955	90 90 48 60
Sandoval Manlius Hinsdale	932 933 934	51 30 36 90 112 50	Wash Park	956 957	137 70 54 00

Dues Preceding Years.

Lodge No.	mount.	360	.90
2	\$ 0.90	Lodge No. A	mount.
9	.90	388	.90
23	2.70	399	.90
24	.90	424	.90
31	.90	428	.90
71	.90	450	.90
116	5.40	464	1.80
130	.90	476	.90
133	1,80	485	2.70
134	.90	527	.90
154	11.70	528	.90
161	.9 0	534	.90
226	.90	537	.90
227	.90	555	.90
232	.90	609	2.70
252	.90	662	.90
253	.90	664	3. 6 0
263	12.60	737	.90
269	. 9 0	744	1.80
348	2.70	754	2.70

Lodge No. 761 769 807 809 819 882	90 90 90 90	Lodge No. A 892 897 912 921 934	.90 1.80 .90
•	Dues from L	odges, U.D.	
Prudence	8.10 5.40 93.60	Broughton	. 32.4 0
D	ISPENSATION FE	es Lodges, U.D.	
Prudence Warrensburg Algonquin Ben Franklin Federal Broughton	\$100.00 100.00 100.00 100.00	Maplewood Cisco Exemplar Dahlgren	. 100.00

RECAPITULATION.

GENERAL FUND.

Sale Blue Books\$	6.50
Sale Ceremonials	7.75
Dispensations Lodges U.D.	1,000.00
Dispensations, Darrah	164.00
Sale produce, \$99.47; old barrels, \$5.54; material, \$7.60	112.61
S. D. Hunter, mileage and per diem returned	10.00
Dues preceding years	55.00
Dues Lodges, U.D	149.60
Dues 1913	67,087.35

\$68,592.81

CHARITY FUND.	
Unexpended balance	31.07 47.50 38.10 35.00
\$	43,028.61
ILLINOIS MASONIC ORPHANS' HOME,	
Interest, Illinois Central R. R. bonds\$ Interest, North Chicago bonds	700.00 400.00 40.00 440.00 320.00 7.50
•	\$1,907.50
Home for the Aged Fund.	
Interest City of Chicago Bonds\$ Interest Wabash Railroad bonds	40.00
	\$320.00
CHERRY MINE FUND.	
Amount received\$ See Appendix for Report in detail.	6,846.89
Hospital Fund.	
Amount received\$	645.13

REPORT-Committee on Correspondence.

M.W. Bro. Owen Scott presented the report of the Committee on Correspondence. It was ordered printed in the Proceedings. (See Appendix.)

REPORT-Committee on Grand Master's Address.

Bro. L. L. Emmerson, chairman of the Committee on Grand Master's Address, presented the report of that committee. On motion, it was adopted.

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

Your Committee on Grand Master's Address respectfully report as follows:

At the close of a busy and most active year, fraught with so much of interest to Ancient Craft Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction, your Committee on Grand Master's Address desire to congratulate the fraternity on the harmony, fraternal spirit and prosperity prevailing. Much has arisen during the year just closed, that improperly handled, might have led to discord and discontent. But we are pleased to note that all matters of great or small importance have been cared for with a determination to serve the best interests of the brotherhood and accomplish the great aims of our time honored institution.

Your Committee notes with great pleasure that many lodges throughout the state are entering new and commodious buildings especially erected and furnished for their accommodation, and we recommend that the Grand Secretary be instructed to collect and compile data showing the number of lodges within the state owning their own homes, the amount of investments therein, and report his findings at the next meeting of the Grand Lodge.

We are pleased to learn that the relations of this Grand Lodge with sister jurisdictions are on the most friendly and fraternal basis and recommend that this portion of the address be approved.

We note with saddened hearts that the Grand Architect of the Universe has called from their labors on earth some of our most widely known and beloved brethren, and in order that proper tribute may be paid to the memory of these just and upright Masons, we recommend that this portion of the address be referred to the Committee on Obituaries.

We recommend that the constitution of lodges chartered at the last Grand Lodge be approved.

The issuing of dispensations for new lodges should be so guarded that they will be granted only where the interests of the fraternity demand them, and we heartily concur in the opinion of the M.W. Grand Master, that the officers of any proposed new lodge should be required to show a proficiency in the work that will enable them to confer the degrees in a satisfactory manner, as well as to properly open and close the lodge. Too

often new lodges are formed where the Master alone possesses a knowledge of the work.

We recommend that the constituting of lodges chartered at the last to the dedication of masonic halls.

We recommend that that portion of the address relating to the laying of corner-stones of public structures be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

We are of the opinion that that portion of the address relating to Grand Lecturers together with the subject of "Intellectual Masonry" should be referred to the Board of Grand Examiners.

Your Committee concur with much pleasure in the opinion of the Grand Master, favoring the continuance of the State Schools of Instruction, and in the placing in the hands of the Grand Master, sufficient funds to enable him to locate ten or more District Schools throughout the state. We believe that much of the proficiency of the craft in this Grand Jurisdiction is due to the splendid schools that are being held throughout the domain. It is a noteworthy fact that where you find the greatest interest in the masonic schools, you will find the greatest proficiency in the work.

That part of the address referring to Dispensations is referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

We observe that the Grand Master has been able to visit a number of our sister jurisdictions during the year, and we desire to concur in his recommendation that a closer relationship with neighboring Grand Lodges be maintained, either by representatives of this Grand Lodge or by some other means that will bring into close and friendly communion these Grand Bodies.

We recommend the approval of that part of the address entitled "Discipline."

So much of the address as refers to Ohio and Illinois floods is referred to the Committee on Finance.

That portion that refers to the revision of the Blue Book, is approved by this Committee and we believe that the work of the Special Committee appointed for that purpose, should receive the grateful commendation of the brethren.

That portion of the address referring to the revision of the Ritual will be reported on by the Special Committee appointed for that purpose.

We recommend that so much of the address as refers to the Conference of Grand Masters at Indianapolis last March, be approved.

So much of the address as refers to New Lodges is referred to the Committee on Lodges, U.D.

The reference of the Grand Master to Pearl Lodge is referred to the Committee on Petitions.

We note the remarks of the Grand Master relative to the absence of Lodge By-Laws and suggest that our District Deputy Grand Masters give this matter their consideration and attention.

We agree with the Grand Master that the craft in Illinois have a right to feel justly proud of their two splendid homes, and believe that the benefit of these institutions should inure to Masons who have been in good standing for a number of years, we therefore recommend that this portion of the address be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

We also recommend that the matter entitled "Questions Referred," be given to the Committee on Jurisprudence, and that the part referring to "Clandestine Lodges" be also referred to the same committee.

Your Committee also note with interest that part of the address referring to the Grand Secretary and recommend its reference to the Committee on Finance.

The recommendation of the Grand Master with reference to the uniformity of lodge receipts for dues, and those portions entitled "Begging Circulars," "Limit of Expenses" and "Correspondence" is referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

So much of the address relating to District Deputy Grand Masters is referred to the Committee on Chartered Lodges.

We concur in the recommendation of the Grand Master that the 75th anniversary of the Grand Lodge of Illinois be observed by fitting ceremonies and we recommend that a committee of five be appointed to make suitable preparations for this important event.

The action of the Grand Master in authorizing R.W. Bro. R. H. Wheeler, Senior Grand Warden, and R.W. Bro. William Arenz, to place a bronze plate in the old water tower of the City of Chicago, thereby perpetuating the laying of this stone in 1867, is commended by this Committee and we recommend its approval.

That portion of the address entitled "Grand Lodge Assistance" is referred to the Committee on Finance.

We believe that "unwarranted gifts of money or presents," at the expense of the lodge treasury, to a popular officer, is unmasonic and not in keeping with the teachings of our great institution, and commend the Grand Master for the advanced position he has taken in this matter.

The suggestion of the Grand Master with reference to the Hospital at Sullivan is of such vital importance at this time, that we suggest that a Special Committee of five be appointed at once, and that this Committee submit recommendations to this Grand Lodge at this session.

That portion of the address entitled "Library Fund" is hereby approved and we recommend the continuance of this splendid work.

We also note that the lodges have uniformly obeyed the edict of the Grand Lodge with reference to smoking and suggest that your Committee believe that we will soon reach that state in this jurisdiction where we can refrain from the use of the weed during the entire lodge evening.

The reference to the petitions for lodges at St. Joseph and East Moline is referred to the Committee on Lodges, U.D.

The subjects entitled "Shady Entertainments" and "Lodge Interference" are referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

It is important that our Masonic Homes receive such endowments as the charitably inclined may wish to bestow upon them, and as suggested by the Grand Master, in order that there be no delay in this matter, we recommend that a special Committee of five be appointed at this time and that this Committee report at this session a legal form of bequest for this purpose.

That portion entitled "Masonic Begging" is referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

We suggest that the recommendation of the Grand Master with reference to music in the first section of the degrees be referred to a committee appointed for that purpose, and that this committee report their findings at the next meeting of the Grand Lodge.

The question of "Organizations within the lodge" is a very important one, as it tends to class distinction, and we recommend that this subject be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

That portion of the address of the Grand Master referring to the question of Masonic Publicity, and his splendid comments thereon, should be read and considered by all of us. Let us as Masons not fail to keep a watchful eye on tongue and pen when matters masonic are being considered, ever remembering those truly masonic virtues "silence and circumspection." We refer this topic to the Committee on Jurisprudence for their consideration.

The position of the Grand Master on Intemperance is heartily endorsed by this Committee and we are certain that it meets a responsive chord in the heart of every Mason. Can we truthfully say as Masons, we have done our duty by "whispering good counsel in the ear of an erring brother," or cherishing his good name as we would have him cherish ours? Let each one of us go forth today with a renewed determination to do all we can to promote the welfare and happiness of each other, and thereby do our full duty as Masons.

The present Grand Master enjoys the unusual distinction of being the only Mason who has succeeded his father as Grand Master of Illinois. His father, M.W. Bro. Alexander T. Darrah, filled this exalted position in the years 1886 and 1887, and we are led to note with interest, that the

craft in Illinois, during the period intervening, has increased from a membership of 40,000 to 120,000, and the lodges from less than 400 to 825.

The duties of the Grand Master of Illinois increase from year to year. not alone because of the growing membership and greater number of constituent lodges, but rather because, Masonry from time to time enters new fields of activity and usefulness. These new responsibilities call for increased effort and greater labor, hence it is important that he who presides in the East should be fitted to grapple with these new problems and be able to lead the craft in their efforts to accomplish greater and grander things. We congratulate the brethren of Illinois that their wisdom has always produced the right man at the proper time. The present Grand Master retires from this exalted station after two of the most strenuous years of Ancient Craft Masonry in Illinois, with the esteem and hearty approval of all who know him. It may well be said that he retires with honor to the craft as well as credit to himself. He has met trying situations, solved difficult problems and labored earnestly and well for the upbuilding of our beloved institution. He will soon enter the ranks of that splendid body of men who have in times past been honored with the highest position in the gift of this Grand Lodge, and we believe he will continue an ardent and active worker in the great masonic field of Illinois, a wise and able counsellor, a beloved, steadfast friend and brother, and above all a just and upright Mason.

Respectfully submitted,

Louis L. Emmerson, D. E. Bruffett, R. G. Bright.

Committee.

RESOLUTION.

M.W. Bro. Owen Scott offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the presentation of gifts of any kind to officers or members of the Grand Lodge in open session be and the same is hereby forbidden except such as come officially from the Grand Lodge or by its unanimous consent.

It was adopted.

ELECTION.

The M.W. Grand Master announced that the Grand Lodge would proceed to the election of officers.

INVITATIONS.

Invitations were read from the following Chicago lodges:
Garden City No. 141.
Lake View No. 774.
Wm. McKinley No. 876.
Golden Rule No. 726.
St. Cecelia No. 865.

RESOLUTION.

At the request of M.W. Bro. A. B. Ashley, R.W. Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

WHEREAS, The Grand Lodge of Porto Rico derives its authority from the Grand Lodge of Cuba with which this Grand Lodge is in fraternal touch:

Whereas, The Grand Lodge of Porto Rico possesses exclusive control and undisputed authority over the degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason within the territorial limits of Porto Rico:

Whereas, The several constituent lodges forming said Grand Lodge of Porto Rico are conferring the degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry in conformity with the landmarks and usages of the institution of Freemasonry;

Whereas, Many of the Grand Lodges with which we are in fraternal correspondence have recognized the Grand Lodge of Porto Rico; and

Whereas, The Island of Porto Rico is owned, controlled and is a part of our own beloved country; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A.F. and A.M. of the State of Illinois extend fraternal recognition to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Porto Rico and as such invite an exchange of representatives.

REPORT-Committee on Ritual.

R.W. Bro. Elmer E. Beach presented the following report from the Special Committee on Ritual, which was adopted:

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

The undersigned committee, appointed at the last session of the Grand Lodge for the purpose of determining just what is the ritual of this Grand Jurisdiction and to suggest such changes and grammatical corrections as might seem wise or necessary, fraternally submits the following report:

The resolution adopted by the Grand Lodge in pursuance of which this committee was appointed, expressly provided that, should the Grand Lodge adopt or establish a ritual or "work," the same should thereafter be subject to change only by formal affirmative action of the Grand Lodge by a two-thirds vote at an annual meeting. When thus formally adopted or established, our ritual or "work" will possess a permanence and stability which it has never had heretofore, and Grand Lecturers, the officers of lodges and all others who perfect themselves in the ritual will know that the "work" they have learned is not subject to change in accordance with the varying opinions of future Grand Masters.

That no change or correction in our ritual should be recommended for light or trivial reasons, immediately after your committee first met and organized, it adopted a resolution providing that no change or correction should be recommended except by affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the entire committee. This rule has been rigidly adhered to throughout the entire deliberations of the committee, and in most cases no recommendation has been made except by the unanimous affirmative vote of the entire committee.

The committee has held numerous and extended sessions. It has been greatly assisted by the suggestions and advice of numerous thoughtful and scholarly students of our ritual. No change or correction has been recommended by the committee except upon careful and mature deliberation and a profound conviction that the change or correction will materially add to the beauty, consistency and impressiveness of our ritual.

Realizing that a comprehensive and thorough consideration in detail of the various changes and corrections recommended by the committee would be impracticable, if not wholly impossible, at the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge, and desiring that the members of the Grand Lodge might be as fully as possible familiar with the labors and recommendations of the committee, in advance of the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge, your committee unanimously requested the Grand Master to authorize the Board of Grand Examiners to exemplify the proposed changes and corrections at the Schools of Instruction conducted by them during the year. Such authority was given by the Grand Master, and the ritual or "work" of this Grand Jurisdiction, with all the changes and corrections recommended by your committee, has been exemplified by the Board of Grand Examiners at Schools of Instruction conducted by them during this year.

Your committee, therefore, fraternally recommends that the ritual or "work" as thus exemplified at said Schools of Instruction be adopted and established as the ritual or "work" of this Grand Jurisdiction, and that the

same shall be subject to change hereafter only by formal affirmative action of the Grand Lodge by two-thirds vote at an annual meeting.

Fraternally submitted,

DELMAR D. DARRAH,

Chairman.

H. T. BURNAP.

I. H. Todd,

A. E. Wood,

C. L. GREGORY,

D. G. FITZGERRELL,

EMMETT HOWARD,

J. M. HANNUM,

Elmer E. Beach, See'y.

Committee.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES-Appointed.

The M.W. Grand Master announced the appointment of the following Committees, suggested in his address, favorable report being made by the Committee on Grand Master's Address.

Endowment—Alexander H. Bell, George M. Moulton, Wm. B. Wright, H. E. Hamilton, John Crawford.

Sullivan Hospital—Ralph H. Wheeler, W. A. Dixon, W. E. Buehler, L. A. Goddard, Wm. Schoeneshofer.

REPORT-Masonic Relief Association.

R.W. Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler presented his report as Representative to the Masonic Relief Association.

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

Brethren:—As your representative I attended the nineteenth meeting of the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada held in Buffalo, New York, on October 7, 8 and 9, 1913. This is the fourth consecutive session of this association that I have attended and it affords me great pleasure to report that there is a steady increase in the number of members as well as in the interest shown in the work.

There were representatives from British Columbia on the west, several of the coast states on the east, Louisiana on the south, and Toronto, Canada, on the north, and this is only a fair indication of the wide scope of the work.

The membership of the association now covers over eighty percent of all of the Grand Jurisdictions in the United States and Canada.

There was a large number of papers presented, one of which was ordered printed for immediate distribution, and the Secretary was instructed that I be furnished with copies for distribution at this session of our Grand Lodge.

The financial condition of the association is about the same as it has been for some time, viz., the receipts are only sufficient to cover the necessary expenses, and it is not the intention to accumulate in the treasury.

Bro. Andrew J. O'Reilly, president of the St. Louis, Mo., Board of Relief, was elected president of the association. Brother Alexander Patterson of Toronto, Canada, 1st vice-president, and our distinguished friend and neighbor, M.W. Bro. Lou B. Windsor, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Michigan, was elected 2d vice-president. Your representative was re-elected on the executive board.

There was a general sentiment expressed by the representatives present that untold good is being accomplished by the association in reducing mendicancy and curbing impostors.

It was adopted.

Bro. Wheeler also announced that he had some reprints of an article on "Documentary Evidence of Masonic Standing" by Bro. Francis E. White, Right Worshipful Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, A.F. and A.M., which was read at the nineteenth meeting of the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada, held at Buffalo, N. Y., on October 7, 8, and 9, 1913, and asked permission to distribute same. Permission was granted.

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. and A.M. of the State of Illinois:

Your Board of Trustees entrusted with the supervision and management of the Illinois Masonic Homes fraternally submits the following report of their doings for the year ending with this Annual Meeting of the Grand Lodge, thereby giving you an account of their stewardship and also supplying you with the data and requisite information by which you may obtain a comprehensive knowledge of the present conditions existing in the two institutions and their respective households, and also form an intelligent estimate of the needs or requirements of each for the coming year in order that adequate provision may be made therefor.

The administration of affairs in connection with the Homes at both LaGrange and Sullivan has generally been of a quiet routine character such as may be found illustrated in practical form in the average American home. We have been concerned and successful in securing a comfortable, wholesome and cheerful home for our children of tender years in the Orphans Home at LaGrange, caring for their material wants and mindful of their mental growth and progress, as well as their spiritual welfare. In the typical American home the children are taught and expected to acquire at least a common school education by the time they are 13 to 15 years of age and during the years thus devoted to acquiring book-knowledge, the time left for their disposal, aside from the performance of light household task and daily chores, should and has been properly utilized for purposes of rest and recreation, thereby strengthening both mind and body and preparing both for the successful solution of life's problems and battles.

Some well meaning brethren have advanced the idea and argued it strenuously that efforts and appliances should be made and provided for teaching our children trades or some practical method of earning their livelihood before releasing them from the environments of the Home. Aside from the natural inclination of boyhood to play with tradesmen's tools or girlhood to indulge in dolls' millinery or dressmaking, fancy work or miniature essays at housekeeping, merely for diversion and as a means of enjoyment, the children of American parents and home life are not required to learn trades or professions until at least a common school education has been acquired. The average American body and average American girl of humble or toiling parentage are expected to grapple with the practical side of life and to shift for him or herself on arriving at the age when by law they are permitted to work for wages. A like principle has governed your Trustees thus far in the management and administration of your Orphans Home. In nearly every instance there is a surviving parent, a guardian or near and devoted friend who will supply the needed watchful care over those of our children about to enter the arena of business life. The usual routes and opportunities for apprenticeships in trades or training in profession are open to our graduates as to the boys and girls who are day by day growing out of and away from private houses throughout the length and breadth of the land. It would be impractical and non-productive of good results to combine a training school for labor. manual or mental, in connection with a home for boys and girls under fifteen years of age. That kind of training should follow the formative stages of mind and body development, just as a college course must of necessity follow the elementary education of a student. No one of intelligence will dispute the merit or utility of training schools for boys and girls where they may become proficient in trades, art, domestic science, or other methods of profit earning, but such institutions must of necessity be an annex, not an auxiliary of the home life. The Grand Lodge, if it possessed the adequate means and resources, might well take the advance step in humanitarian methods of establishing such schools but in the absence of a pressing demand for such facilities of a distinctively Masonic character and in view of the numerous institutions of that character available, it would seem the wiser plan to conserve whatever monetary resources the Grand Lodge may possess for the purpose of ultimately establishing a haven of rest and comfort for the brother Mason, or those dependent upon him, who is not only financially distressed but physically disabled and for whom there is no shelter now to be found except that provided by public taxation. Besides there is much force in the argument that the budding man or woman might better be permitted to follow their own natural bent or inclination as to their life's occupation and thus avoid spoiling a good artist, professor, lawyer, doctor or minister by making him or her an indifferent book-binder, printer, dressmaker or Necessarily the number of trades or occupations which can be taught in any training school is limited and it is quite likely that no one of our possible graduates would be especially fitted to become expert in the lines that were taught, hence there would be failure of purpose in the attainment of result or at least unnecessary loss of time in learning something afterwards to be abandoned.

These thoughts have heretofore controlled your Trustees in the administration of affairs with respect to our Orphans Home and we firmly and conscientiously believe that for children from three to fifteen years of age it is sufficient to minister to their physical welfare and provide home comfort, joys and pastimes, elementary schooling, both secular and Sunday, and household duties, as the members of a united family. We maintain that while theory necessarily precedes practice, nevertheless practice just as surely supersedes theory. We stand for practical results in preference to alluring theories. A bit of performance beats a big bunch of promise.

At the Sullivan Home, where our family is really one of grownup children, although of mature years, the same policy has been employed of administering to the physical comfort and welfare of our grownup boys and girls, at the same time keeping their minds occupied. Some theorists would establish regular hours of labor for the members of our family, claiming that such a course would be beneficial to the individual brother or sister and profitable to the community of brethren. We have differed with this theory and only require our family to attend to their own personal and physical needs and requirements. If they show inclination or desire for manual labor, opportunity is given to them but not demanded. Sufficient exercise is constantly urged upon all as a health precaution, but no tax is laid upon their strength in the way of exacting labor in return for keep. The Masonic Home at Sullivan is a haven of rest for the weary and heavy laden. All burdens physical or mental are supposed to be left behind when the aged brother or sister enters the portals of our Home. Comfort and enjoyment for the declining years of life is the aim and purpose thereafter until the summons comes to enter into eternal life in that "undiscovered country from whose bourne no travellers ever return."

We now invite your attention to the following detailed account of incidents, conditions and recommendations relating to the administration of the trust imposed upon your Board of Trustees.

At a meeting of the Board held Octboer 10, 1912, immediately following the close of the last Annual Meeting of the M.W. Grand Lodge, Brethren Moulton and Steele, who had been reappointed their own successors, as Trustees, qualified by acceptance and thereupon the Board effected its official organization as follows:

Geo, M. Moulton, President.

Henry W. Berks, Vice President.

James A. Steele, Treasurer.

Chester S. Gurney, Secretary.

Bro. and Mrs. Geo. W. Pumphrey were continued as Superintendent and Matron of the Home for the aged at Sullivan and Bro. and Mrs. Chas. E. Bassett were likewise continued as Superintendent and Matron of the Orphans Home at LaGrange.

There having been no change in the personnel of the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee in immediate charge of the respective Homes remained the same as previously constituted namely: Brethren Berks, Steele and Dixon for the Home at Sullivan and Brethren Moulton Daly and Fletcher for the Home at LaGrange.

By action of these committees Bro. W. P. Davidson, M.D. was appointed physician to the Sullivan Home and Bro. Arthur E. Higgs, M.D., physician to the Home at LaGrange, with Bro. C. B. Plattenburg, D.D.S. in charge of the dental work.

Subsequent to the organization meeting the Board has held two regularly called meetings, namely: June 22nd, 1913, at Sullivan and October 13th, 1913, at Chicago.

THE HOME FOR THE AGED AT SULLIVAN.

Under the efficient management of Superintendent Pumphrey, aided by his good wife as Matron, the affairs of the Home at Sullivan have been conducted smoothly and effectively, with the minimum of unpleasant features, and as we believe the maximum of benefit to the members of the household irrespective of the capacity affected, whether employes or employed, members or helpers.

The Executive Committee in immediate charge of the operation of the Home has fulfilled its duty faithfully and with the utmost diligence. The watchful care given to the purchase of supplies and disbursement of funds generally have given most gratifying results; in fact it has been this exercise of economy and good judgment which has enabled the operation of the Home to be conducted within the limit of the appropriation made by the Grand Lodge one year ago. It is gratifying to note that the estimate made of the requisite appropriation has been verified by results, there being no unexpended balance to account for and what is better still, no deficit to make good by additional appropriation.

The special appropriations made by the Grand Lodge at its Annual Meeting two years ago as follows:

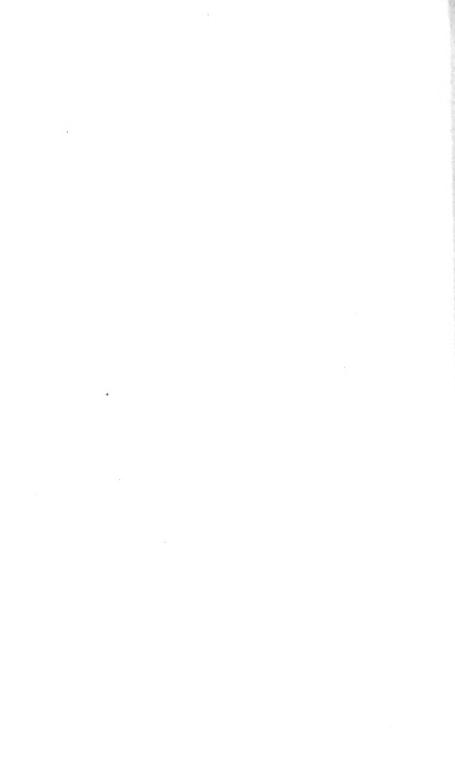
For deep well water supply...\$5,450.00
For soft water cistern plant...\$850.00
For repairs and alterations...\$2,900.00

have been wisely expended in the accomplishment of the purpose for which the appropriations were made. A detailed report of the work and expenditures in connection therewith compiled by Bro. Henry W. Berks, Chairman of the Executive Committee in charge of the Sullivan Home accompanies this report as an exhibit by which it will be noted that an unexpended balance of \$31.07 from the appropriation for the Deep Well Water Supply was returned to the Grand Lodge Treasury through remittance to Grand Secretary Cutter under date of July 7, 1913. The other two special appropriations were fully expended.

The present physical condition of the Home properties is excellent now in every way, except that there is urgent need for a replenishment and general renovation or renewal of the Home furnishings. The Executive Committee have urged that an appropriation be now requested for this purpose of \$3,000.00. Your Board of Trustees after a comprehensive review of the conditions, the necessities, the demands to be met, in connection with Orphans Home in LaGrange with respect to improvements, the expense of operation for the coming year and the present resources



LIBRARY ROOM, ILLINOIS MASONIC ORPHANS' HOME



of the Grand Lodge, unite in requesting that this appropriation be made of \$3,000.00 for furnishings for the Home for the aged at Sullivan, said appropriation to be immediately available and any unexpended balance to be immediately returned to Grand Lodge Treasury when the work is completed.

For the maintenance of the Home during the coming year, we unanimously request that an appropriation of \$24,000.00 be made as the experience of the past four years has conclusively demonstrated this amount to be needful. The present membership of the Home is 88, or seven less than one year ago, but the pending applications will result in a membership of approximately 100 before the close of the coming year.

The Executive Committee has submitted a thorough and comprehensive report of the operation, conditions and requirements of the Sullivan Home, which report is replete with interesting information. We append this report as an exhibit hereto and fraternally urge that it be given earnest consideration.

The detailed report of the Superintendent, Bro. Geo. W. Pumphrey, by which you will be enabled to judge intelligently of the numerous activities of himself and also his wife, as Matron of the Home, is also appended to this report, together with the report of Bro. W. P. Davidson, M.D., as physician to the Home. A perusal of all these documents will well repay the reader and we commend them all to your favorable notice. The Christmas Fund made up of voluntary donations from brethren at large and from Masonic bodies shows a balance of \$81.06, for which Supt. Pumphrey is accountable. The balance in Superintendent's Fund, October 1, 1913, for which Bro. Pumphrey is accountable was \$2.03.

The farm as an adjunct to the Sullivan Home occupies a most important place in the field of your beneficent endeavor. It is a factor in the undertaking which you have assumed in the establishment of a Masonic Home at Sullivan, which may by neglect easily become a discredit to all your noble work, or with intelligent development may glorify the enterprise and furnish almost unlimited enjoyment to our Masonic family as well as afford remunerative returns for money invested.

Two years ago, the Grand Lodge in accordance with the recommendation of your then Board of Trustees, appropriated \$3,600.00 in addition to an unexpended balance from previous farm rentals of \$542.52 for farm improvement and operation. In January, 1912, Bro. W. S. Dixon, then as now a member of your Board of Trustees, was chosen to act as Farm Supervisor and the funds available for farm improvements and operation were placed at his disposal. The results are exceedingly gratifying in many ways other than merely pecuniary. At no time has the Home Farm been in such satisfactory condition as at present, nor more promising as to future improvement.

The Masons of Illinois are under grateful obligation to Bro. Dixon for the untiring and unselfish labor which has been freely given by Bro. Dixon in bringing the Home Farm to its present state of excellence and promise of betterment. Appended hereto is a very complete report filed by Bro. Dixon of the work he has had in hand since January, 1912. This report should be read in full to appreciate the extent and character of Bro. Dixon's labors but for your immediate information, we submit the following general statement.

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Mar. 1, 1912,	Value of moveable properties, buildings, fences produce and stock
	\$5,767.52
Oct. 1, 1912,	Value of farm properties and improvements\$7,457.56 Cash on hand
	\$7,800.58 Net gain for year\$2,033.06
Oct. 1, 1913,	Value of farm properties and improvements (including cash balance of \$222.99 and with 10 per cent allowance for depreciation\$7,831.47
	Net gain for year
	Total gain for nineteen months\$2,063.95

The present cash balance held by Treasurer Steele for Special Farm Account is \$222.99. Your Board recommends that this sum be left at the disposal of the Board of Trustees in operating the Home Farm pursuant to plans heretofore in process of development.

THE ORPHANS HOME AT LA GRANGE,

We are pleased to report conditions at the Orphans Home in La Grange to be satisfactory in every way except that some simple scheme of decoration should be applied throughout the building. It was deemed wise to leave this line of work to be done after all the effects of shrinkage or displacements had fully developed. This work can now be done advantageously and your Board of Trustees recommend an appropriation be made of \$2,500.00 to be immediately available for the decoration of the LaGrange Home; any unexpended balance to be returned to Grand Lodge Treasury as soon as the work is completed.

The report of the Executive Committee in immediate charge of the Home affairs is appended hereto and commended to your careful perusual.

If the funds at the disposal of the incoming Board of Trustees are sufficient for the purpose it is proposed to install during the coming year two cisterns for the accumulation of rain water as an auxiliary to the water supply for household purposes, also to waterproof the foundation walls against an inflow of surface water during severe storms from which we have had considerable inconvenience and prospective permanent drainage unless the defective conditions are speedily remedied.

The controversy instigated by the LaGrange Board of Education relative to extra charge for the tuition of our children in the public schools over the regular tax levy for school purposes, has lain practically dormant during the year. Formal demand was made by the Board of Education for payment of an extra bill of \$1,936.00 for tuition claimed to be their due and payable, accompanied by notice that in default of payment our children would be denied further school privileges in the public schools. Payment of the bill rendered was refused and a bill of injunction applied for. Meanwhile, pending an adjudication in Court of the rights of the respective parties to the controversy, it was agreed that our children might continue their school attendance on condition that definite provisions were made for the payment of the sum which might be finally decreed as being lawfully and equitably due. This provision was made, since which time matters have rested quiescent awaiting the pleasure of the opposing counsel to advance the pending litigation. The interests of the Grand Lodge in the controversy have been entrusted to able counsel in the persons of Bros. Jesse E. Roberts and Albert M. Cross, of Chicago. Following is the report of our counsel concerning this school controversy and its present status.

"Chicago, October 10, 1913.

General George M. Moulton, President of Trustees I.M.O.H., Chicago, Illinois.

In Re Bill for Injunction vs. Board of Education District No. 102, LaGrange.

My Dear General:

I beg to advise you that acting under your orders and instructions I filed a bill in Chancery in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, on March 21st, 1913, General No. 320520.

This case was originally assigned to Judge Tuthill. On March 22nd an order was entered restraining the School Board and F. E. Sanford from dismissing the children of the Masonic Orphans' Home from the schools at LaGrange until the matter could be heard. This case has been put over from time to time at the request of the counsel for the Defendants, the Board of Education.

I learned but recently that Judge Shope had not entered the appearance of all of the Defendants as he agreed to do and I have therefore

had a summons issued and am having it served upon the Board of Education and the members thereof.

Everything has been done in this case that could have been done I think. Mr. Cross and I have decided that in as much as we had the Board of Education under injunction that it was not just good tactics to be pressing the case. This we thought was good judgment in view of the fact that we have not yet been compelled to put any security or give bonds or obligate ourselves in any way.

This case has been re-assigned and is now on Judge Windes' Calendar No. 495, and the Judge has called on his first call to 200. The case is therefore likely to be reached for a hearing sometime next month.

I shall be glad to furnish you with any further information that you or the Grand Lodge or its Committee may desire.

Fraternally yours, (Signed) Jesse E. Roberts."

The present membership of the Orphans Home is 85, an increase of two over that of one year ago.

Bro. Chas, E. Bassett who served very acceptably as Superintendent of our Orphans' Home for nearly seven years secured the appointment as Superintendent of the Soldiers Orphans Home of the State of Illinois at Normal early in the current year and being desirous of accepting this appointment because of his previous incumbency of the office, tendered his resignation and that of his good wife as Superintendent and Matron respectively of our Orphans Home. The resignations were accepted with deep regret and the official relation which had so happily existed between the Bassett family and our Board of Trustees for so many years terminated with the month of May, 1913. Bro. Bassett, his wife and daughter endeared themselves to every one of our orphan wards who were entrusted to their tender care and wise supervision. They earned the esteem and high regard of each and every Trustee with whom they were associated. Our best wishes for their welfare and prosperity accompanied them in their wider field of endeavor. The final report of Superintendent Bassett is appended for the period between Oct. 1, 1912, and May 15, 1913.

We were fortunate in securing the services of Bro. J. M. Hannum and wife, as successors, to Bro. Chas. E. Bassett and wife. Bro. Hannum is so well and widely known among the Masonic brethren of Illinois that it seems superfluous to record here any encomiums as to his zeal in any cause in which he engages or his ability to perform any task which he undertakes; besides he has at all times the aid and encouragement of an able accessory in the person of Mrs. Hannum in the fulfillment of his duty and responsibility to the family of Masons' orphans committed to their charge and that guarantees satisfactory results in the highest degree.

Bro. Hannum and his wife have readily grasped the requirements and have been exceptionally successful in maintaining not only good order and discipline in their household but have proved their ability to operate Home affairs economically, at the same time providing adequately for all requirements and gaining the affection as well as the esteem of those who compose their adopted family.

Bro. Hannum's report covering the period of his official connection with the Home is complete and replete with interesting information. It should and doubtless will receive your careful perusal and consideration.

The special fund for Christmas and other entertainments consisting of voluntary donations from Masonic bodies and individual Masons shows a balance now in hand held by Bro. Hannum of \$775.43.

Sales of old material during the year netted \$7.60, which sum has been duly remitted to Grand Secretary Cutter for the Grand Lodge Treasury.

The balance in Superintendent's Fund, October 1, 1913, for which Bro. Hannum is accountable is \$612.84.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

The Homes at both Sullivan and LaGrange have been the recipients of many acts of generous kindness, as well as substantial gifts from warmhearted brethren and sisters of our fraternity. The respective reports submitted by the Home Superintendents mention in detail these pleasing evidences of an overflowing heart, so that repetition herein is unnecessary. In every instance suitable acknowledgment was promptly made to the donor and our hearty thanks tendered.

Special mention is made of the following generous acts not contained in the Superintendents' reports.

Mrs. Arthur Warrington, wife of Bro. Arthur Warrington, Past Master of Covenant Lodge No. 526, donated to the Orphans Home a table stereopticon with one hundred and fifty attractive views which will afford instructive enjoyment to our children upon many occasions.

Bro. W. J. Benson, of Austin Lodge No. 850, donated to the Orphans Home two bonds of \$50.00 each, numbered 255 and 256, of the Masonic Temple Association of Austin, Illinois. These bonds are held for safe keeping by the Superintendent of the Home.

Through Bro. Thos. M. Hunter, Treasurer of the April class of candidates in Oriental Consistory S.P.R.S., of Chicago, the Orphans Home was the recipient of \$24.50 in cash to be used in the purchase of books.

We are indebted to the Knights Templar of Cook County for a substantial cash contribution of \$635.13, being the proceeds of a collection taken at the Union Easter Services held on Easter Day, 1913. The sum

named was transmitted through Trustee Robert J. Daly with the request that the money be applied as a nucleus of a fund for a hospital equipment in the Sullivan Home. The amount received was duly transmitted to the M.W. Grand Master March 31, 1913, with the request that the sum be credited to the Illinois Masonic Home Fund noting the item as being a "Special Hospital Fund."

REQUESTS.

By the will of Bro. James Kincaid, of San Diego, Cal., whose lodge affiliation is unknown to us, the sum of \$25.00 was bequeathed to the Illinois Masonic Orphans Home. That amount was duly remitted by Mrs. Margaret A. Fitzgerald, wife of Bro. J. J. Fitzgerald, of Oriental Lodge No. 33, accompanied by the statement that the \$25.00 was the pro rata amount awarded to our Illinois Masonic Orphans Home out of a total sum of \$1,000.00 bequeathed to charitable institutions generally by Bro. Kincaid. The \$25.00 thus received was duly transmitted to the M.W. Grand Master under date of May 22, 1913, for credit to the Illinois Masonic Orphans Home Fund.

OFFICIAL BONDS.

Immediately after the re-election of Bro. Steele as Treasurer of your 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 fund and property held by him as Treasurer. The bond was signed jointly by him and four good and sufficient sureties and was duly approved.

CO-OPERATION IN FRATERNAL CHARITIES.

The Associated Fraternal Charities, composed of the executive officers and boards of control of the charitable institutions of our state, operated under the auspices of the Knights of Pythias, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Order of Eastern Star, and the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons met in annual convention September 1, 1913, at Odd Fellows Home in Lincoln, Illinois. The meeting was well attended and the business was both interesting and instructive. The Superintendents and Matrons of our two Masonic Homes were in attendance and profited largely by the interchange of ideas and discussion of plans and methods theoretical and practical in the administration of organized charity.

FINANCIAL.

The reports of the Treasurer and Secretary of your Board of Trustees are submitted herewith. They have been carefully verified by an expert accountant not identified with the management and his report of audit is likewise appended hereto.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Your Board of Trustees fraternally and unanimously recommend that the following appropriations be made by the M.W. Grand Lodge at this Annual Meeting:

One-half October 16, 1913; one-quarter on March 1, 1914; and one-quarter on July 1, 1914.

For furnishings at Sullivan Home......\$3,000.00 For Decoration and general repairs at LaGrange Home......\$2,500.00

and that these appropriations be paid to the Board of Trustees when needed for the fulfillment of contracts for the indicated lines of work; any unexpected balance to be returned to Grand Lodge Treasury on completion of the work for which the appropriations are made.

The foregoing complete the record of and activities for the year now closing in the administration of your beneficence to the bereaved and distressed of our fraternity. It is a record of which we may all feel proud. Within the scope of the undertaking as planned, namely, to provide for all the wants of the needy and dependent orphan children of our deceased brethren who are free from chronic disease, and to furnish a cheerful, comfortable and sanitary home for our aged and destitute brethren, their wives and widows, who are not afficted with disease to the extent as to render them physically helpless, no call has been unheeded and every demand has been met. The good accomplished is incalculable and there is no desire to count the cost in coin of the realm. To know that we have alleviated the distress, changed sadness to gladness, brought peace and comfort to souls of both the aged and those of tender years which otherwise would be troubled beyond redemption is all sufficient for all who have been engaged in the noble work. The blessing of Heaven will rest upon you for having so faithfully and well performed the Master's work.

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

By Geo. M. Moulton,

President.

Chicago, October 14, 1913.

October 1, 1913.

To the Board of Trustees:

Brethren:—Your Treasurer herewith submits his annual report of receipts and disbursements on account of Illinois Masonic Orphans Home. LaGrange, Illinois.

ILLINOIS MASONIC ORPHANS' HOME, LAGRANGE, ILLINOIS.

RECEIPTS.

1912.		
Oct. 11	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	\$ 9,000.00
1913.		
Mar. 26	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	
July 1	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	4,500.00
Aug. 23	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	83.41
Aug. 28	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	
Sept. 13	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	3.50
		\$18,136.41
	DISBURSEMENTS.	
October	1, 1912, by balance, overdraft last re	eport \$ 910.89
Vouchers	s Nos. 4977 to 5088 except 5087, 508	9, 5090 16,748.48

\$18,136.41

477.04

JAS. A. STEELE, Treasurer.

To the Board of Trustees:

Balance on hand

Brethren:—Your Treasurer herewith submits his annual report of receipts and disbursements on account of

ILLINOIS MASONIC HOME, SULLIVAN, ILLINOIS.

RECEIPTS.

1912.		
Oct. 1,	Balance\$	3,946.49
Oct. 11,	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	12,000.00
1913.		
Mar. 26,	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	6,000.00
July 1,	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	6,000.00

\$27,946.49

DISBURSEMENTS.

Vouchers No. 948 and 952 and 955 to 1024 except 1023\$27,	,926.49
Balance on hand	20.00

\$27,946.49

JAS. A. STEELE, Treasurer.

REPORT OF SECRETARY.

For the year ending September 31, 1913.

CHICAGO HOME.

RECEIPTS.

Grand Lodge Cr. on furnishings account. Sale of old material. Total Less overdraft of October 1, 1912.	3.50
Amount available for the year	\$17,200.61
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Provisions \$ 4,916.43 Clothing 1,959.12 Labor 1,891.66 School 176.61 Medical 347.49 Furnishings 1,166.85 Repairs 397.44 Fuel 1,578.95 Superintendent's sundries 1,447.74 Traveling expense 112.41 Light and power 261.03 Taxes 143.20 Salaries 2,115.00 General sundries 1,70.67 Alterations 302.41 Printing, stationery and postage 12.98 Excess returned to Grand Lodge 147.94	
Supt's. balance Sept. 30, 1912\$560.16 Supt's. balance Sept. 30, 1913	\$17,200.61

SULLIVAN HOME.

RECEIPTS.	
Treasurer's balance October 1, 1912	
Net balance October 1, 1912	
Amount available for the year	\$26,192.74
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Ciste-n \$ 8. Provisions 8,474. Clothing 1,127. Fuel 2,554. Light 334. Medical 2,169. Funerals 23. Salaries 4,977. Labor 23. Furnishings 856. Improvements 1,334. Repairs 282. Printing, stationery and postage 244. Stock and feed 279. Furniture 680. Traveling expense 208. Supt's sundries 397. General sundries 152. Special repair account 760. Water plant 1,334. Total \$26,222.	36 68 54 62 92 65 60 11 49 225 13 222 04 99 45 29
Total\$26,222. Supt's. balance October 1, 1912\$32.21	92
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Supt's. balance October 1, 1913..... 2.03

C. S. Gurney, Secretary.

30.18

\$26,192.74

October 11, 1913.

GEO. M. MOULTON,

President Board of Trustees, Illinois Masonic Homes.

Dear Sirs:—I have examined the books of the Secretary and the Treasurer for the Illinois Masonic Homes for the year ending September 30, 1913, and have found them correct. The following is submitted as a summary of my examination.

SECRETARY'S REPORT LAGRANGE HOME.

RECEIPTS.

Receipts from	all	sources\$18,136.41

October 1, 1912, to September 30, 1913.

DISBURSEMENTS.

As per voucher\$1	7,200.61
October 1, 1912 to September 30, 1913.	0
Overdraft, October 1, 1912\$	935.80
\$1	8.136.41

SULLIVAN HOME.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, October 1, 1912\$7,283.33	
Less amount transferred to Farm Account 5,090.59 \$ 2	2,192.74
Receipts from all sources 22	1,000.00

October 1, 1912, to September 30, .1913.....\$ 26,192.74

DISBURSEMENTS.

As per voucher, October 1, 1912 to September 30, 1913......\$ 26,192.74

There is no balance to be carried over for either home as the unexpended balance for the LaGrange Home fund was returned to the Grand Lodge.

The Treasurer's balance for the LaGrange Home on September 30, 1913 is \$477.04.

This balance is made up of the following vouchers, unpaid at the close of the year:

No. 5087	\$	20.00
No. 5089		309.10
No. 5000	I	47.94

\$477.04

The Treasurer's balance for the Sullivan Home on September 30, 1913, is \$20.00.

This balance is voucher No. 1023 for \$20.00, unpaid at the close of the year.

I have verified the Treasurer's balance and submit the attached certificate from the Merchants and Farmers State Bank, in support.

CHAS. A. FORSHEE, Accountant.

Sullivan, Illinois, October 1, 1913.

To Whom It May Concern:

Respectfully,

W. A. Steele, President.

To the President and Board of Trustee's, Illinois Masonic Homes.

The Executive Committee in charge of the Illinois Masonic Orphans Home at LaGrange, fraternally reports, that peace, harmony and content has uniformly prevailed at the Home during the past year.

The membership has remained the same as during the preceding year.

Following established custom the Committee has held regular monthly meetings at the Home, the individual members alternating with each other in giving personal supervision to the operation of the Home between meetings.

With very few exceptions the general health of the children has been excellent and in all contingencies the care and attention of Bro. Arthur E. Higgins, M.D., the physician of the Home has been faithful and efficient.

On June first, Bro. Charles E. Bassett and wife, Superintendent and Matron respectively tendered their resignations to accept a similar position at the State Home at Normal, and were succeeded by Bro. J. H. Hannum and wife, who it is hoped with the benefit of time and experience will attain the same standard of efficiency so ably maintained by their predecessors.

The Committee are pleased to report that notwithstanding the high cost of living that has prevailed during the past year, the expenditures have been kept within the limit of the annual appropriation made by the M.W. Grand Lodge for the operation of the Home.

The committee urges the necessity of an appropriation of \$2,500.00 for the decoration of the Home and necessary repairs, no decorating having been done since its erection. Both Superintendents have submitted exhaustive reports for their respective terms in office, which contain much of interest to the brethren of Illinois, who make this practical exemplification of Masonic Charity and fraternal love possible.

Fraternally submitted,

ROBERT J. DALY.

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

Brethren:—I submit herewith a brief report of the general condition of the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home for the last seven and one half months of my connection with it, being from October 1, 1912 to May 15, 1913.

The health of the Home was never better. No deaths occurred during the period, and, with one exception, the ailments were of an insignificant character. Dr. Higgins was prompt in responding to every call, and Mrs. Bassett furnished the necessary care.

Our children attended the public schools and church, and the good words they received for their interest and deportment should make the heart of every Mason swell with pride. By extra work done at home they were able to reflect great credit upon themselves and merit the approval of the great fraternity that so generously provides for them.

Robert Shaw and William Kernahan were in their second year in high school, and Howard Seabrook, Christian Messner, Gertrude Mellor and Alice Seabrook were in the first year.

Notwithstanding the controversy between the Home Trustees and the LaGrange Board of Education regarding tuition charged by the latter, I believe our children were treated as fairly as if there had been no such issue.

Christmas Eve at the Home was observed as usual. All the children received useful presents in addition to an abundance of candy and fruit. The entertainment given by the children was doubly attractive by the participation in it of Miss Gardner, Bro. and Mrs. Patterson and Bro. Gourley.

The generosity of the Masonic and Auxiliary organizations of Cook County in providing funds for Christmas at the Home is truly noble.

At the last meeting of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, Grand Master Darrah appointed a Committee to establish libraries in the Sullivan and LaGrange Homes. Since that time a complete library has been provided in the LaGrange Home. The floor is covered with inlaid linoleum, and furnished with book cases, chairs, curtains, clock, pictures, and about one thousand volumes of selected reading. The library is very cozy, and greatly enjoyed by the children.

We did not leave the Home at LaGrange without sincere regret, although the call we accepted elsewhere will continue us in the same delightful work.

The children very greatly endeared themselves to us by their consideration for our wishes, and the tie strengthened on our part with each succeeding year.

Too much credit cannot be given the older boys and girls for their cooperation with us in maintaining law and order in the Home. Their kind, sweet faces tell the story of their deportment and daily life. No separation from them will be long or wide enough to efface the love and gratitude that we now feel for them. May He who invites little children to come unto Him ever guard the orphans with tender and vigilant care.

As the records of the Home are not now at my disposal I respectfully refer you to the report of my successor for the receipts and disbursements of the Superintendent's and Christmas funds during the fraction of the Masonic year that I was in charge.

The children have participated in the following enjoyable events: Sunday School picnic given by the Congregational Church at La-Grange.

Illinois Masonic Veteran Association.

Halloween party at the Home. Refreshments.

"The Mikado," given by the Suburban Club of LaGrange. Compliments of LaGrange Lodge No. 770 and LaGrange Chapter No. 207, R.A.M.

Football game at LaGrange High School.

Christmas at the Home.

Christmas exercises at Congregational Church.

Entertainment at the Congregational Church.

Punch and Judy entertainment at the Home.

Lecture on "Cotton" at Town Hall, LaGrange.

Valentine party at the Home. Refreshments.

Stereopticon entertainment at school.

Annual "Ladies Night" given by Arcana Lodge No. 717 at West Chicago Masonic Temple. Fine program.

Sleigh ride given by the Home.

Home party with refreshments.

We have acknowledged with thanks receipt of the following donations:

7 doz. tooth brushes and an electric iron from Bro. J. H. Cumming from LaGrange Lodge No. 770.

Lot of books from Bro. A. A. Pahnke, and several other brethren of Equity Lodge No. 878.

Some books and magazines from Bro. Wm. C. Jones.

Lot of reading matter for children from Mrs. C. Thatcher.

Box of books from Lake View Lodge No. 774.

Lot of books from Ladies' Auxiliary, Chicago Commandery.

5 fine dressed turkeys from Bro. K. H. Bell of Garfield Lodge.

Box apples and box crackers from Bro. L. G. Kunze,

Fine dressed doll from Mrs. Mary Stock of Butler Chapter No. 36, O.E.S.

8 dressed dolls from Oak Park Sewing Circle.

20 lbs. candy from Mrs. M. C. Schmeltz and Mrs. Chace Stubbs of Butler Chapter No. 36, O.E.S.

Box of books, and annual subscription for four periodicals from Olive Branch Lodge.

28 dolls from Eastern Star Home at Macon and Masonic Home at Sullivan. Dressed by the old ladies in the Homes.

Box checkers from Master Byron Adams.

Half doz. Victrola records from Mrs. F. H. Marks.

Box books from Bro. Irving Salomon.

Basket of home made jelly for Christmas from Mrs. J. F. Dore of LaGrange.

Candy, cracker jack and popcorn balls for Christmas from Garden City Lodge.

Package of books and set of chessmen from Bro. E. J. Rogerson of LaGrange.

3 packages books from Daylight Chapter, O.E.S.

19 packages fine fruit and confectionery from Arcana Lodge No. 717.

Youth's Companion and Saturday Evening Post for one year from Bro. E. J. Allman of Pleaides Lodge.

Barrel of choice apples from Bro. A. E. Barker of Blaney Lodge.

Package books from Master Albert Michael.

Package books from Dickinson Chapter No. 685, O.E.S.

10 doz new caps from Longley, Low & Alexander, through Bro. Frederick Haigh.

Barrel apples from Ladies Auxiliary, Chicago Commandery.

Box of confection from Bro. Jones of So. Chicago.

Package papers from Bro. C. Thatcher.

\$5.00 for Pieritz children from Calumet Council No. 69, National Union.

2 box books from Union Park Lodge No. 610.

Easter booklets from Bro. Thos. W. McGregor.

18 new garments from Urbana True Kindred by Mrs. J. M. Fry. 100 sticks candy from Urbana True Kindred by Mrs. Georgia Oldham, W.P.C.

10 lbs. candy from Mrs. E. E. Currier.

9 new sweaters from Mr. William Mandel of LaGrange.

Several donations of good things to eat from Mrs. Charles A. Young of LaGrange.

Fraternally,

CHAS. E. BASSETT, Superintendent.

LaGrange, May 20, 1913.

LaGrange, Illinois, September 30, 1913.

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

Dear Brethren:—I herewith submit my report as Superintendent of the Illinois Masonic Orphans Home for four months ending September 30th. I succeeded Bro. Charles E. Bassett as Superintendent June 1st and I am pleased to report that I found conditions very satisfactory in every way. Not only is the Home neat and in order, but the children show a training which proves that Bro. Bassett and his good wife are entitled to the thanks of the Masons of Illinois for their careful attention to the little orphans.

The health of the Home has been the best, such little sickness as we have had has been promptly attended to by our good Bro. Dr. Higgins and Mrs. Hannum. August 24th Carolyn Harris, who had indigestion, was granted permission to visit her mother. After a few days, appendicitis developed, a successful operation was performed and little Carolyn expects to return to the Home in a few days. There was no expense to the Grand Lodge for this operation. I think very highly of Dr. Higgins and know that in times of serious sickness our little ones will have the best of care. Bro. C. B. Plattenburg, the dentist, has made two trips to the Home during the four months and attended to the needs of the children * in a proper manner. The drinking fount that was placed near the play ground is very convenient and much enjoyed by the children during the vacation time while at their sports. School opened September 8th with all the children in attendance but the three youngest, all but three of the children passed to higher grades. Six of the children, four boys and two girls attend the Lyons Township High School of LaGrange.

Our children are regular in their attendance at Church and Sunday School and their deportment is such as to meet the approval of those in charge.

Our celebration on the Home grounds July 4th was enjoyed by all. We had everything provided that such occasions demand to make the day pleasant. The city fire works display was on a lot near the Home, so we had the pleasure of watching them from our own grounds. The beautiful flag that was presented to the Home by York Chapter R.A.M. is kept flying from the mast every day that the weather permits and is an inspiring sight to all who see it and is often referred to by the residents of our city. I can only add that I am sure that the Grand Lodge is providing every necessity for the children of the Home.

The children have enjoyed the following events since June 1st, 1913: Mrs. Hannum and twenty of the oldest children attended a Musical Concert at the Congregational Church, guests of Mrs. Gambol.

All the children attended Congregational Sunday School picnic.

Celebration July 4th on the Home grounds, ice cream, lemonade, bananas and cracker jack, all kinds of sports with 51 prizes for the children.

The entire home attended the LaGrange Theater as the guests of the manager.

Brethren Beach, King, Avery and Hoiles gave the children an automobile ride.

The Low Twelve Club of Arcana Lodge No. 717, entertained the children at their picnic at Bergman's Grove, chicken dinner, ice cream, fruit, etc. They presented the boys with a complete base ball outfit and the girls with a tennis set. Some of the boys made money assisting at the baby rack and bowling alley. Three of the boys and three of the girls won prizes, and all enjoyed a splendid day.

Brethren King, Hoiles and Beach gave the children an automobile ride.

York Chapter No. 148 R.A.M., entertained the children on the Home grounds with presents, fruits, candies, games, etc.

All the Home attended the LaGrange Theater, moving picture show.

Nine brethren from Chicago, Berwyn and LaGrange gave the children a long automobile ride.

The management of the LaGrange Theater entertained the children at their moving picture show.

Several brethren from Berwyn, LaGrange and Chicago gave the children an auto ride.

The following gifts have been sent the home since June 1st, 1913:

75 lbs. of dressed chicken and 15 watermelons from the Grand Lecturers Association.

Lot of books from Bro. Harvig.

Lot of books from Bro. E. E. Beach. Crate of nice plums from Bro. Lee M. Bonheim. Three crates of cantaloupes from Pleaides Lodge No. 487. Lot of playthings from Mrs. P. S. Eustis. Lot of straw hats from Wm. Mandel. Some fresh fish from Bro. Charles Young.

Superintendent's Fund.

Cash balance October 1, 1912	
\$7,160.16	
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Provisions \$1,333.60 Clothing 436.75 Labor 1,891.66 School 176.61 Medical 147.49 Home Furnishings 1,383.45 Repairs to building 230.05 Fuel 265.17 Light and power 334.08 Transportation and postage 160.69 Express charges 39.53 Telephone 86.25 Sundries 61.99 Balance unexpended 612.84 \$7,160.16	
Sales and Refunds.	
Sales of old barrels and rags	
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Gash to Bro. Isaac Cutter, Grand Secretary \$ 7.60 Cash to Bro. C. S. Gurney 3.50 \$11.10	
CHRISTMAS FUND.	
Receipts.	
Cash balance September 30, 1912 \$ 131.25 Edw. H. Thomas 6.10	

Oriental Consty Class of 1909.	24.50
Herman Karl	5.00
Friend	1.00
Composite Lodge No. 879	10.00
LaGrange Lodge No. 770	25.00
Lake View Lodge No. 774	25.00
Tracy Chapter No. 189 O.E.S.	5.00
Cleaveland Lodge No. 211	25.00
Wrights Grove Lodge No. 779	10.00
Thos. J. Turner Lodge No. 409	10.00
Constellation Lodge No. 892	20.00
Olive Branch Lodge No. 38	10.00
Richard T. Kropf	5.00
Trinity Commandery	10.00
Lincoln Park Chapter R.A.M., No. 177	10.00
York Chapter No. 148 R.A.M.	25.00
Ancient Craft Lodge No. 907	25.00
Roseville Lodge No. 519	5.00
Oriental Consty	25.00
Fred Dunham	2.00
Gothic Lodge, collection at Past Master's night	26.25
Wm. McKinley Lodge No. 876	10.00
Columbia Commandery No. 63	25.00
Damascus Lodge No. 888	10.00
Kinington Chapter No. 450 O.E.S.	5.00
Justice Lodge No. 949	10.00
Bro. C. H. Roth	5.00
Englewood Lodge No. 690	10.00
LaGrange Chapter No. 207 R.A.M.	10.00
Metropolitan Lodge No. 860	15.00
Visitation Commandery Tenth District	10.00
Cicero Chapter No. 180, R.A.M.	25.00
Wiley M. Egan Chapter No. 126, R.A.M	10,00
Waubansia Lodge No. 160	25.00
Millard Chapter No. 349, O.E.S	5.00
Accordia Lodge No. 277	5.00
Bro. B. F. Hedges.	10.00
Garfield Lodge No. 686	15.00
Kensington Lodge No. 804	15.00
Golden Rod Chapter No. 205, O.E.S	25.00
Hesperia Lodge No. 411	15.00
Lakeside Lodge No. 739.	5.00
Chicago Lodge No. 437.	10.00
Garden City Lodge No. 141.	25.00
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Greenville Lodge No. 245	5.00
Bohemia Lodge No. 943	10.00
Wm. B. Warren Lodge No. 209	25.00
Wilmette Lodge No. 931	25.00
C. E. Owen	2.00
Veritas Lodge No. 926.	10.00
Shabbona Lodge No. 374	5.00
Delavan Lodge No. 156	5.00
Jacob Retterer	5.00
John Corson Smith Lodge No. 944	15.00
Union Park Lodge No. 610.	25.00
Fullagar, Sec. Fellowship Club	10.00
Herrins Prairie Lodge No. 693	10.00
East St. Louis Lodge No. 504	25.00
Equity Lodge No. 878	25.00
Pleiades Lodge No. 478	15.00
Bro. G. D. Rosengrant	2.00
LaGrange Chapter No. 210, O.E.S	5.00
North Shore Lodge No. 937	12.50
Avondale Lodge No. 921	10.00
Austin Lodge No. 850	25.00
Columbian Lodge No. 819	10.00
Golden Rule Lodge No. 726	10.00
Crescent Lodge No. 895	10.00
Oblong Lodge No. 644	25.00
Gothic Lodge No. 852	10.00
Bro. Wm. H. Launtzen	5.00
Bro. C. R. Merril	2.00
Rutland Chapter No. 112, R.A.M	10.00
Banner Blue Lodge No. 924	10.00
VanMeter Lodge No. 762	20.00
Edgewater Lodge No. 901	25.00
Home Lodge No. 508	10,00
Washington Park Lodge No. 956	10.00
Oriental Lodge No. 33	25.00
Oriental Lodge No. 33 for J. A. & B. Giseke	15.00
Jer. Temple Lodge No. 90 for R. F. & A. Trauth	15.00
Brighton Park Lodge No. 854	25.00
Antioch Lodge No. 126	5.00
Berwyn Chapter No. 529, O.E.S.	5.00
Candida Lodge No. 927	15.00
Siegel Cooper & Co.	50.00
Refund of light bill	21.00
King Oscar Lodge No. 855.	10.00
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Welcome Lodge No. 916
Jeffersonville Lodge No. 460
E. H. Thomas 9-35
From sales, etc 7.60
Chester Chapter No. 550, O.E.S
Augusta Knoche, member of Columbia Chapter, O.E.S 3.00
Marine Lodge No. 355 5.00
Rio Lodge No. 685 5.00
\$1,425.55
DISBURSEMENTS.
As per receipted bills audited by Executive Committee\$ 650.12
Cash balance September 30, 1913
\$1,425.55
ADMITTED TO THE HOME SINCE SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1912
Age.
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We have had a great many visitors at the Home during the last four months, many of them making their first visit and a number of them returning several times, all of them speaking very highly of the Home and its purpose.

While the work has been new to us and we have had a great many things to learn, we enjoy it very much and find the children always loyal with their support.

Mrs. Hannum joins me in thanking you for the support and kindly advice you have given us during our initiatory experience as Superintendent and Matron.

Fraternally,

J. M. HANNUM, Superintendent.

LaGrange, Ill., September 25, 1913.

To the President and Trustees, Illinois Masonic Homes:

As physician of the Home I find upon looking over my records for the past year that I have very little to report. Have had no epidemics. Have had very few cases during the year that have been under treatment more than a few days. During last winter and spring had three cases of rather sharp attacks of bronchitis that required close attention for a couple of weeks each. During this summer had one girl that started with a digestive disturbance which finally affected the bowels. She was sent to her home for a vacation and I was told finally her malady developed into appendicitis.

Have had a few children that have had to be under observation when the trouble was a low order of vitality. In these cases the records show tubercular parents and with the abundance of good air and proper diet they improve and should eventually overcome their weakness.

In looking over the records I find that there have been children admitted to the home whose health certificates have been too old at the time of admission to be of any protection to us from contagious diseases. This was brought to my attention when two children were admitted who were not entirely recovered from whooping cough. I asked Mr. Hannum to bring the subject up at the trustees meeting and have the rules of admission changed to give me a chance to examine all new children before they were allowed to mingle with them in the home. He notified me that that rule had been adopted and that he would notify me of all new arrivals and keep them isolated until I could examine them. At the present time we have no children confined to bed. Have a few slight colds and digestive disturbances which are seasonable now.

The balance of the children are now in fine physical condition.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR E. HIGGINS, M.D.

Report of Expenditures from Special Appropriations Illinois Masonic Home, Sullivan.

To the Board of Trustees of Illinois Masonic Homes:

Three Special Appropriations were made by the Grand Lodge, at its Annual Meeting, October, 1911, for improvements at the Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan, as follows:

For well water supply system\$5.450.0	00
For repairs and alterations to buildings 2,900.0	00
For soft water supply—cistern plant 850.0	00
based on estimates made by Deal & Ginzel, architects, Lincoln, Illino	ois.

As soon as possible, after the appropriations were available, contracts were let for the work, material purchased, and operations began and continued through the year 1912, but the work was not finally completed until the spring of 1913. Unfavorable weather conditions during the year 1912, and inability of contractors to get skilled labor when needed, caused

a great deal of delay, otherwise, the work would have been completed sooner.

A preliminary report was made to the Board of Trustees in October, 1912, now incorporated in the Grand Lodge report for that year, setting out just what money had been expended and for what purpose—up to that date.

The work is now done and attached is a complete report of money disbursed, to whom paid, and for what purpose expended. Vouchers were taken for all payments to which are attached itemized receipted statements, all of which are on file at the Home at Sullivan for inspection if needed.

The work was completed within the estimates, and all funds have been expended except a small balance remaining in the well water supply account to be turned back to the Grand Lodge.

Messrs. Deal & Ginzel, architects, were employed to draw up all contracts, purchase much of the material and to supervise the work—all of which they have attended to in a very satisfactory manner.

Fraternally submitted,

HENRY W. BERKS,

Chairman Executive Committee, Illinois Masonic Home, Sullivan. Champaign, Illinois, June 25, 1913.

WELL WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM.

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PAID TO		
L. T. Hagerman & Co., Sullivan (Warrant No. 899)		
Bull dozer pump, bricking up old well, building		
platform and sundries, per contract\$	133.95	
Chicago Bridge & 1101 Works, Chicago (No. 909)		
40,000 gal. steel tank and tower, contract price		
\$2,000.00, paid on account	1,200.00	
J. W. Cochran, Hopedale, Ill. (No. 910). On ac-		
count of deep well, per contract	350.00	
P. B. & L. R. Harshman, Sullivan, (No. 915). Con-		
crete footings for steel tower, per contract	128.75	
J. W. Cochran, Hopedale, (No. 919). On account		
f deep well, per contract	215.00	
Chicago Bridge & Iron Works (No. 926). On account		
per contract	700.00	
Ed. Lamar, Sullivan (No. 933). On account for		
digging two wells, per contract	30.00	
L. T. Hagerman & Co., Sullivan (No. 937). Contract		
for plumbing—paid on account	225.00	,

Ed. Lamar, Sullivan (No. 950). On account digging two wells, per contract	147.00	
A. Stain, Sullivan (No. 942). Hauling six loads	147.00	
sand	6.00	
J. W. Conard, Sullivan, (No. 943). For sandC. E. Hankley, Sullivan, (No. 947). Concrete curbs	9.00	
to wells	41.60	
Deal & Ginzel, architects, Lincoln, (No. 949). 4 H.P. engine complete; 15 H.P. engine complete; steam heads, pumps and sundries, purchased from H. Channon Co., Chicago; also freight, drayage and	·	
sundries, per bills rendered Ed. Lamar, Sullivan, (No. 950). Bal. for work on	526.75	
wells in full	202.40	
of plumbing contract	200.00	
age, freight and sundries	92.36	
well	28.30	
contract in full Deal & Ginzel, Lincoln, (No. 976). Well tops, freight,	100,00	
drayage, sundries L. T. Hagerman & Co., Sullivan, (No. 977). Balance	22.27	
in full per contract and extras	432.27	
mill pumping outfit complete	75.00	
labor and expenses	221.38	
architect fee (\$329.40)	331.90	\$5,418.93
Unexpended balance		.\$ 31.07
Repairs and Alterations to Buildin	GS.	
Appropriation	• • • • • • •	.\$ 2,900.00
PAID TO		
O. J. Gauger, Sullivan, (Warrant No. 934). Plaster-		
ing per contract	\$ 50.95	•

count of carpenter work—per contract...... 300.00

Geo. H. Schanbacher, Springfield, (No. 936). On ac-

count of inside painting, and decorating walls and ceilings, per contract	
contract	
Deal & Ginzel, architects, Lincoln, (No. 987). Fee for supervision \$433.39; paid from the water fund \$329.40; from cistern fund \$2.40; from repair and altera-	
tion fund	
	\$2,900.00
SOFT WATER SUPPLY—CISTERNS.	
Appropriation	\$ 850.00
PAID TO	
Deal & Ginzel, architects, Lincoln, (No. 932). Gate valves, filter plates, iron man-hole covers and	
sundries	
contract	
due on contract in full as above	
Deal & Ginzel, Lincoln, (No. 962). Freight and drayage 5.90	
Deal & Ginzel, architects, Lincoln, (No. 987). Pro rata	\$ 850.00
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(The number following names refers to warrant issued in pay HENRY W. BERKS,	ment).

Chairman Executive Committee, Illinois Masonic Home, Sullivan.

Champaign, Illinois, June 25, 1913.

ANNUAL REPORT, SULLIVAN HOME.

To the Board of Trustees of the Illinois Masonic Homes:

Your committee in charge of the Illinois Masonic Home, Sullivan, submits its report for the year ending September 30, 1913, as follows:

- I. During the past year everything has been running along very smoothly and harmoniously at the Home, for which reason we have nothing special to present for your attention, and our report, in the main, consists of but a brief resumé of its general business and affairs. The Superintendent, Farm Manager and Home Physician have gone more fully into the details in their reports, which are hereto attached for your consideration. One year ago Bro. George W. Pumphrey and wife were placed in charge as Superintendent and Matron—their capable and economical management fully justifies the selection of them for these responsible positions, and we are well pleased with their administration of the Home affairs.
- 2. The \$24,000.00 appropriation made by the Grand Lodge for the annual maintenance of this Home was found amply sufficient, and your committee is pleased to report that by economical management the past year a sufficient amount of this money was made available for the purchase of quite a considerable portion of the house furnishings and furniture of which the Home was in need; pay for a lot of necessary repairs in and about the buildings and plant, and add materially with new improvements to the Home holdings. While strict economy has been practiced the high standard of excellence, by which the Home has ever been maintained, has not been impaired in the least; contrary there are marked improvements along many lines.
- 3. Your committee recommends an appropriation of \$24,000.00 for the coming year, payable to the Treasurer of this Board as follows: One half immediately after the session of this Grand Lodge; one-fourth April 1, 1014, and the remainder July 1, 1014.
- 4. The special improvements enumerated in your committee's report last year and not completed September 30, 1912, were finished to the satisfaction of your committee very shortly after that date, and the balances remaining in the special funds, reported one year ago, were used to liquidate incurred obligations and make final payments on contracts entered into prior to September 30, 1912. A statement of the disposition of such balances follows:

SPECIAL FUNDS.

Balance in the "Water" system fund, September 30, 1912......\$1,334.55

PAID OUT.

PAID OUT.		
Deal & Ginzel, architects, for sundries	\$1	-334-55
Balance in "Repairs" fund September 30, 1912	\$	760.10
PAID OUT.		
Painting—balance in full per contract\$ 465.35 Carpenter work—balance in full per contract 168.16 Metal work—balance in full per contract	\$	760.10
Balance in "Soft Water" fund, September 30, 1912	\$	8.30
PAID OUT.		
Deal & Ginzel, architects, sundries	\$	8.30

The architects were paid \$533.39 for the plans, specifications and supervision and the amount charged to the several funds as above. The small unexpended balance was turned back to the Grand Secretary. Contracts, youchers and receipts for the work are on file at the Home.

- 5. The Home has been particularly fortunate in regard to its water supply during the protracted drought of last summer. The daily consumption is close to 6,000 gallons. The three wells now in use furnished an ample supply during all of the dry weather, and the 40,000 gallon tank, installed last year, has been kept filled. For several months there was no water in the two 500-barrel cisterns, but the recent rains have filled them and there is now an abundance for laundry use.
- 6. Some of the major improvements, repairs and purchases, made during the year are as follows:

Rebuilt boiler walls and re-set boilers.

Cement floor laid in laundry room under the tubs.

Cement steps and walks laid in rear of women's building.

A large portion of the long cement walk laid, leading from the administration building out to public roads.

Circular cement platform laid around the flag staff.

A cement building erected, 12 by 22 feet, built of cement blocks, slate roof, covering two wells. Over one well there is a wind pump and over the other a pump run by electric dynamo.

Water and air guages attached to the steel direct pressure tank in the basement of the Administration building—connections made with engine, and plumbing connections made from tank to cisterns with laundry room and kitchen. This pressure tank was installed when the Administration building was erected but never placed in working order. It is now properly connected and gives entire satisfaction.

Water connections made with Home barn for stock use.

Furniture, curtains, rugs and all accessories, purchased for the Superintendent's room and for two bed rooms adjoining.

50 small rugs bought for use in bed rooms.

92 bed springs bought to replace those worn out.

A supply of sheets, pillow cases, table cloths, napkins, and towels purchased for which the Home was in much need. The supply had been allowed to run low under former Superintendent and there were not enough on hand for a change. More are needed.

- 7. The Inspection Company, holding insurance on the two large boilers used for heating purposes and for electric light power, gave notice that the boilers were out of plumb and would have to be re-set. It was thought that the outside walls, only, would need rebuilding, but, when these were torn down it was found that the inside walls had entirely crumbled away and would also have to be rebuilt. The work has just been completed at a cost of \$200,00 and paid for from the Sullivan fund.
- 8. New window shades are needed all over the building, and a great deal of the furniture is worn out and going to pieces. The dining room furniture is particularly in bad condition. Furniture and house furnishings wear out and must be replaced periodically. Your committee recommend a special appropriation of \$3,000.00 to purchase new furniture and furnishings.
- 9. The Home and Farm are operated as two separate and independent propositions. The Home buys from the farm at market prices every thing it needs produced on the farm. All the heavy hauling for the Home is done with the Farm teams and paid for at current rates. Last year, among other things, the Farm teams hauled 800 tons of coal for the Home. For the year the Farm has been paid \$1,538.36 from the Home funds. The report of Bro. Dixon, who has sole management of the Farm, accompanies this report and is well worth your careful perusal.

- 10. The report of Bro. Pumphrey, Superintendent, also accompanies this report—it is his first annual statement and does him credit. It is replete with interesting data relating to the Home. The Superintendent has promptly acknowledged the receipt of all gifts to the Home, and has written letters of thanks, and your committee desires herewith to tender its thanks as well, and to assure all the donors that their remembrances are fully appreciated.
- II. During the year there have been more than the usual number of deaths among the old folks, resulting, principally, from chronic complaints with which they were afflicted prior to their admission into the Home. On several occasions, during the year, the sick wards have been found inadequate for the accommodations of the afflicted and other and less suitable rooms have been pressed into service. Your committee are fully aware of the fact that the accommodations for the care of the sick at this Home are inadequate, and more or less unsuitable, and without proper and necessary hospital facilities—but they are the very best accommodations the present buildings afford. The sick wards are in charge of a woman who is a graduate nurse, assisted by a man who is a practical nurse—two or three of the members of the Home render valuable assistance in this department. Dr. W. P. Davidson, the Home physician, has made his usual comprehensive detailed report which is hereto attached.
- 12. During the year 37 applications for admission were received and of these 26 were from men and 11 from women, and were disposed of as follows:

Approved	
Rejections were for reasons as follows: Able to work and obtained a position	•
Deaths, withdrawals and dismissals: 10 Died—Men 10 Women 8 Discharged—Men 2 Women 1	
Declared insane and sent to the asylum 2 (m	ien)

There are now in the Home two feeble minded, harmless, old brethren who need constant care and watching. Your committee has decided to permit them to remain until such times as they become violent when their lodges will be advised to take charge of them.

Following is a list of applications received and showings as to what disposition was made of them.

APPLICATIONS.

APP NO.	NAME	AGE	LODGE	No.	LOCATION	ACTION
269	Alfred Kimball	Mason 59. P	leiades	478	.Chicago	Rejected
270	David R. Steffey N	Jason 84 V	eritas	926.	Chicago	Approved
271	Matilda Shaw	Vidow 71 A	nollo	642	Chicago	Rejected
272	Isaac R. Van Sylke N	fason 61 K	evstone	639	Chicago	Rejected
273	George W. Potts N	fason79La	Rov	. 221	Le Roy	Approved
274	Charles E. Martin	lason67 La	ndmark	422	Chicago	Approved
275	William H. Holder N	lason. 80R	ichard Cole	697	Chicago	Approved
76	Amelia W. Howard V	Vidow 72W	m. R. Warre	n 209.	.Chicago	Approved
277	William C. NelsonN					
278	Franklin M. Derry N	Iason75 T	vrian	333.	Springfield	Withdraw
79	Franklin M. Derry M Joseph Hunter M	lason74Ya	ites City	447	Yates City .	Withdraw
280	Sarah E. Crego W	lidow .78 La	ndmark	422	Chicago	Approved
281	Anna M. Schnellbacher W	/idow .61 En	10ire	126	Pekin	Approved
282	Asaph Parmelee M	ason62 Au	rora	254	Aurora	Rejected
83	John Hoffer M	ason70Fr.	aternal	58	Monticello.	Withdraw
284	George K. EdwardsM Ellen EdwardsV	ason67. Bla	air	393	Chicago	Approved
285	Ellen Edwards V	Vife 72 B1	air	393	.Chicago	Approved
286	Lewis Berhaupt M	lason77Pa	cific	. 66	.Knoxville	Approved
287	Edward J. Tedman M	lason61Ki	lwinning	311.	.Chicago	. Rejected
288	Jennie M. TedmanV	Vife58Ki	lwinning	311 .	.Chicago	Rejected
289	John B. Kelley N	Iason. 75 M	ystic Star.	758.	.Chicago	Approved
290	George W. Furlong M	Iason70Bl	azing Star	458.	, Carri'r M'ls	Approved
291	George H. Coonely M	Iason69Ga	arden City.	141.	.Chicago	Approved
292	George M. Wells	Iason79 U:	nion Park .	610.	.Chicago	Rejected
293	Sarah L. Wells V	Vife72 U	nion Park .	610.	.Chicago	. Rejected
294	Samuel Kauffman	Iason83E [.]	vans	524 .	.Evanston	Withdraw
295	Charles K. Charlton N	Iason72Bı	aidwood	704.	Braidwood	Approved
296	Corvilla A. Keller W	78M /idow	attoon	260 .	.Mattoon	Approved
297	William J. Bates	Iason70 W	averly	118.	. Waverly	Rejected
198	William A. Leiter N	Iason53Do	earborn	310.	.Chicago	Rejected
299	Lawson J. Dickson N	Iason74Ra	aymond	692.	.Raymond.	Approved
900	Julia A. Haley V	Vidow 61Ga	arfield	686.	.Chicago	Approved
30I	Margie Bimrick V	Vidow 70. Ce	dar	124	. Morris	Approved
302	Henry Wisenant N	Iason74M	t Pulaski.	87.	. Mt. Pulaski	Approved
303	Mary E. Campbell V	Vidow 63H	untsville	. 465.	. Huntsville.	. Pending
304	Geo. Pfirman N	Iason 75 La	ambert	659.	.Quincy	Approved
305	Frank F. Rouse N	Iason51Ty	yrian	333 .	.Springfield	Pending

13. In connection with the foregoing sections, relating to memberships and admissions, and quoting, mainly, from the report for the year 1912 of the Masonic Home at Utica, New York, where like conditions exist as at Sullivan, your committee on admissions suggests the exercise of more caution on the part of lodges sending applications for admission to the end that the committee be not burdened with so much unnecessary labor of investigating a large number of applications—not only those made on the formal blanks but the large number of informal applications made by letter—the rejectible character of which should be even more readily discovered by lodges making such applications.

The present requirements governing admission precludes the acceptance of many who need, in a special manner, the care the Home seeks to afford. These are they who while qualified in every other respect are physically unable to move about, dress and feed themselves and need the attention of attendants all or part of the time. And so it would seem as if one of the primary objects of the Home is partially annulled. Brethren absolutely destitute and dependent and nearly helpless, and whose lives might with proper care be prolonged a number of years, are debarred from the privileges of the Home because it cannot provide place and special attendants for applicants unable to care for themselves.

The Home has practically no hospital facilities, the sick wards are limited in extent and character, and, while designed only for the care of such as may become afflicted after admission they are now and are generally filled to their full capacity, thus affording additional ground for rejection of all actually more or less physically helpless applicants.

The care of these afflicted is a subject now confronting the Grand Lodge for its solution. An additional building, with the proper hospital facilities—is the only solution.

Of the many hundred letters received by the committee on admissions for the year, more than 75 related to the admission of the physically helpless and destitute to whom the helping hand of the Grand Lodge was denied.

- 14. The usual monthly meetings, at the Home, have been held by your committee, and they have been uniformly pleasant and harmonous. The long distance 'phone has been used on every occasion when the business and affairs of the Home demanded.
- 15. Reference is made to the annual report of Bro. Gurney, Secretary of this Board, for a summary of the yearly expenditures of this Home.

HENRY W. BERKS, Chairman, Jas. A. Steele, W. A. Dixon.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF ILLINOIS MASONIC HOME, FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1913.

Sullivan, Ill., September 30, 1913.

To the President and Members of the Masonic Home Board:

Dear Brothers:—I herewith submit my report as Superintendent of the Home for the year ending September 30th.

Another year has closed with its many changes which must come as the years go by. We have had our sunshine and pleasures as well as our sorrows.

Many of the members have visited their old homes and friends, "back home," and have seemed to enjoy these visits among their old friends.

We have been favored with several entertainments at the hands of our friends and some of our Home talent. To each of the Ministers of the city who has been very kind to the Home in coming out whenever called upon to hold Sunday services, or conduct funerals, we wish to tender our sincere thanks.

The Home and the Fraternity owe a debt of gratitude to the members of Sullivan Lodge for their assistance, in laying away those of our members who have been buried in our lot in the city cemetery.

On Thanksgiving day, 1912, we had the usual dinner with roast turkey for the main attraction, and lots of other good things to go with it.

On the evening of December seventeenth, the Brethren of Sullivan Lodge came out and installed the officers of the Home Club, Bro. Butler acting as installing officer and Bro. Shirley as Marshal. After the officers were installed each of the visitors favored us with short speeches and words of good cheer, light refreshments were served, after which our guests departed promising us a return engagement at any time.

The Home has been favored with quite a number of visits from the members of the fraternity in and about the central part of the state, altho but few of the Grand Officers get around in this direction, in fact we have only discovered one name of a grand officer on the register since we came altho we admit that there are a few visitors at the Home, who fail to get their names on the register sometimes, and it is possible that others may have been here, for we are just stating what the book shows.

Christmas Eve we had our Christmas tree in the reading room to brighten the occasion and cheer the hearts of the members. Each one was presented with two dollars and fifty cents in cash and a pound box of nice candy. After the distribution of the presents we were favored with several songs by our Home talent.

Christmas Day, 1912, we had an old fashioned turkey dinner, with all the trimmings that go along with the bird, to round out a feast of the kind that makes the old and young wish that there were more holidays in the year.

On February seventh, Prof. Smith, of the high school of Sullivan, favored us with a reading, and explanation of the different government departments of the United States, which was very instructive as well as entertaining, and was very much enjoyed by all the members. The Professor has very kindly consented to come back with another treat, in the way of interest to the members.

On March 17, the Sullivan Band Boys were very kind to us in coming out through the mud, with some fifteen strong, and repaired to the dining room, where the tables had been pushed aside, giving ample space for the boys to get into action, which they did very soon after they arrived on the scene, and we were favored with some of the popular numbers of the day. The evening certainly was enjoyed by all the members, and the band boys can have the whole house the next time they come back.

The members of the Home have put on several little entertainments during the year, in the way of musical and mixed programs.

Our national holiday, the Fourth of July, was celebrated in the timber east of the Home. The members of Sullivan Lodge and their families were invited to join us in an old fashioned picnic dinner, under the hickory and elms in the back pasture lot. Quite a number came and spent the day with us, and everybody seemed to enjoy themselves.

In the evening we had quite a little display of fireworks on the Home grounds, a number coming from the city and country to witness the performance, there being no show in town.

On Sunday, July 13, through the kindness of Mr. W. A. Steele, several of our members had the pleasure of an auto ride, and the treat of hearing Bro. Judge Cochran, on the history of the M.E. Church, at the Methodist Church in Sullivan.

On August 14th, the members of Sullivan Chapter, O.E.S., were invited out to spend the evening with us. Quite a number came and brought their well filled lunch baskets. The tables were spread on the lawn in front of the east building, where everybody sat down to enjoy the pleasure of a picnic dinner, after which they visited and enjoyed themselves. The evening was as near perfect as anyone could wish, the moon light at its brightest, and a fine breeze blowing, which made the event one not soon to be forgotten.

The Home has received the following books and magazines:

A bundle of magazines from W. W. Arthur, 55 Jackson Blvd., Chicago. Two boxes of books from James P. Sutton, Secretary Olive Branch Lodge. No. 38, Danville, a gift from members of the lodge. Large package of smoking tobacco and pipes from John Corsan Smith Lodge. 100 lbs. (one pound boxes) Christmas candy, from John Corson Smith Lodge. Three boxes of magazines from John Henry Johnson, 19 W. Adams street, Chicago.

Bundle of magazines from LeRoy A. Goddard, Chicago.

Several dozen men's winter caps, from Longley Low & Alexander, through Frederick F. Haigh, Apollo Commandery No. 1, and Robert J. Daly.

Bundle of magazines from W. W. Arthur, Chicago.

Overcoat from J. M. Gunthorp, Chicago.

Magazines from James A. Steele as follows: Red Book, Everybodys, Smart Set, McClures, Womans Home Companion, Ladies Home Journal, Cosmopolitan and Saturday Evening Post.

The following books from Dr. McMahon, Palmyra:

The History of Don-Quixote, Illustrated Library of Standard Authors, Collin's Illustrated Library, Standard Authors, Edmond Dantes, The works of E. P. Roe as follows: Barriers Burned Away, Near to Nature, A Knight of the 19th Century, The Earth Trembled, Driven Back to Eden, He Fell in Love with His Wife; also the Muses of Paris, Old Fritz and the New Era, The Merchant of Berlin, Goethe and Schiller, Anecdotes of H. W. Beecher, Rocky Mountain Life, The Young Girl's Wooing, Wayerly Novels; The Antiquary; The Red Gauntlet; A Narrative; Oliver Twist; As 'Tis In Life; Camille; Mrs. Caudles Curtain Lectures; Nature's Serial Story: The Count of Monte Christo: Black Rock: John Halifax: Henre DeBalzae. Books as follows: In the Country; Cousins in Pons'; The Wild Ass's Skin; Shadow of A Sin; Beyond Compare; Doctor Bommeau; Great Expectations; Joseph and His Court; All Sorts and Conditions or Men, by Jas. Rice; Left in London, or the Pitfalls of a Great City; She Is All The World To Me; Charlotte Temple; Marching Through Georgia; Provincial Parisians; History of The United States: The Laughing Man. The Scarlet Letter, and several others.

Through the courtesy of the publishers and friends, we get the Daily Bulletin; Bloomington Weekly Pantagraph; Decatur Herald; Reynold Press; Galesburg Daily News; Peoria Journal; Peoria Star; Orange Judd Farmer; Wallace's Farmer; Sullivan Democrat; Sullivan Progress; Moultrie News; Masonic Chronicler; Voice of Masonry, and Illinois Freemason. Through the kindness of the publishers we are the daily recipients of the Chicago Examiner and Chicago American in sufficient numbers to go the rounds, so each member enjoys the treat of having a daily paper every morning.

Two handsome patch worked comforts were received from the ladies of Bradford Chapter, O.E.S. of Bradford.

Books received from the Library Committee May 1, 1913:

I Stephens, Susanna and Sue; I Stephens, Cupid en Route; I Laughlin, The Gleaners; I Andrews, Better Treasure; I Gray, Mr. Carteret and Others; I Codman, An Ardent American; I Lane, Rodney the Ranger; I Brice, Story of a Plow Boy; I Smart, Ebb and Flow; I Leroux, Man with the Black Feather; I Richardson, George Thorne; I Weitbrec, Men on Horse Back; I Van Vorst, Broken Bell; I Brodie, Rose World; I Snyder, Poetical Favorites, Yours and Mine; I Brown, Orphans; I Wentworth, House of Chance; I Laughlin, Children of Tomorrow; I Van Saanen, Blind Who See; I Janis, Star for a Night; I Briggs, Bachelor Dinner; I Kelly, Her Little Young Ladyship; I Stackpool, Ship of Coral; I Dean, Ranier of the Last Frontier; I Gary, Flowers; I Irwin, Love Sonnets of a Car Conductor; I Burnham, Quest Flower; I Bush, Diary of an Enlisted Man; I Reed, Napoleon's Young Neighbor; I Troly, Curtain Puyrnette;

I Wodehouse, Love Among the Chickens; I Miller, Rosemary; I Luby, Black Cross Clove; I Clare, Wild Justice; I Vaize, Question of Marriage; I Church, Liberalism and Social Problems; I Teall, Contessa's Sister; I Oxenham, High Adventure; I Ranger, The House of Torment; I Cream, Daughter of Today; I Hopper, Trimming of Goosie; I Benson, Account Rendered; I Coats, Spirit of the Island; I Mayo, Baby Mine; I Moseley, Wonder Lady; I McCarthy, Mariam'ne of the Cedars; I Moore, Jack Ballington, Forester; I Copus, Andros of Ephesus; I Crockett, Men of the Mountain; I Second, Captivating Mary Carstairs; I Hyatt, People of Position; I Sale, Red Rose Inn; I Whitney, Lincoln, the Citizen; I Whitney, Lincoln, the President; I Vaughn, Gates of the Past; I Hyatt. Laws of the Bole; I Chatfield, Fame's Pathway; I Stuyvesant, Vanity Box; I Upward, Lord Allistari's Rebellion; I Rinhart, Book of Khalid; Henry-I Four Million, I Sixes and Sevens, I Strictly Business, I Whirlings: Holmes—I Cousin Maud, I Dora Deane, I English Orphans, I Tempest and Sunshine, I Meadow Brook; Southworth-I Ishmael, I Self Raised, I Bride's Fate, I Hidden Hand, I Tried for Life, I Victor's Triumph, I Lost Heiress, I Cruel as the Grave; Muhlbach-I Empress Josephine, I Napoleon and Blucher, I Louisa of Prussia, I Marie Antoinette and Her Son, I Frederick the Great and His Court, I Daughter of an Empress, I Queen Hortense, I Old Fritz; Roe—I Earth Trembled, I Driven Back to Eden, I Barriers Burned Away, I Without a Home, I Taken Alive, I Near to Nature's Heart, I Knight of the 19th Century, I Young Girl's Wooing; Verne-1 Michael Strogoff, I Tour of the World in 80 Days, I 20,000 Leagues under the Sea, I 800 Leagues on the Amazon: Goodrich-I Coming Mexico, I Africa of Today; I Twain, Life on the Mississippi; I Hale, Motor Journeys; I Creasy, Fifteen Decisive Battles; I Currey, Story of Old Fort Dearborn; I Parrish, Historic Illinois; I Irving, Alhambra; I Carr, Illini; I Arnold, Life of A. Lincoln; I Drummond, Natural Law in the Spiritual World; I Cody, Selection from World's Great Authors; I Bostwick, Different West; I Bennett, Your U. S.; I Mann, Royal Women; I Antin, Promised Land; I Austen, Pride and Prejudice; I Austen, Sense and Sensibility; I Bronte, Jane Eyre; Bulwer-I Last Days of Pompeii, I Rienzi, I Last of the Barons; I Catherwood, Story of Tonty; I Cody, Selections from the World's Greatest Short Stories; I Collins, Moon Stone; I Connor, Black Rock; I Crawford, Saracinesca; Cooper—1 The Spy, 1 Pilot, 1 Prairie; Dickens—1 David Copperfield, I Dombey and Son, I Oliver Twist, I Tale of Two Cities, I Old Curiosity Shop, I Martin Chuzlewit, I Our Mutual Friend; Dumas-I Three Musketeers, I Black Tulip, I Count of Monte Cristo, I Joseph Balsamo, I Man in the Iron Mask, I Ten Years Later, I Twenty Years After; Eliot-I Romola, I Adam Bede, I Daniel Desonda; Farnol-I Broad Highway; Howells—I Rise of Silas Lapham; Jackson—I Ramona; Kingsley—I Hypatia, I Westward Ho; Kipling—I Kim, I Life's Handicap,

I Under The Deddars, I Soldiers Three, I Plain Tales from the Hills, I Rewards of Fairies: McCarter—I Price of the Prairie: Mitchell—I Hugh Wynne: Mulock-1 John Halifax: Reade-Clositer and the Hearth: Rice -- I Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch, I Lovey Mary; Scott-- I Ivanhoe, I Anne of Geierstein, I Kenilworth, I Fair Maid of Perth, I Rob Roy, I Waverly, I Fortunes of Niegel, I Heart of Midlothian, I Quentin Durward, I Old Morality, I Guy Mannering, I Pirate; Sue—I Wondering Iew: Thackeray—I Vanity Fair, I Henry Esmond, I Virginians, I Newcofes; Wallace—I Ben Hur; Thompson—I Alice of Old iVncennes; Beach -I Barrier: McCutcheon-I Beverly of Graustark; White-I Blazed Trail; Olivant—I Bob Son of Battle; McCutcheon—I Brewster's Millions; London-I Call of the Wild; Wright-I Calling of Dan Matthews; Caine -I Christina: Churchill-I Coniston: Westcott-I David Harum: Wallace-I Fair God; Porter-I Freckles; Hitchens-I Garden of Allah; Ford—I Hon. Peter Sterling, I Janice Meredith; Reed—I Lavender and Old Lace; Williamson—I Lightning Conductor; Fox—I Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come; Klein-I Music Master; Smith-I Peter; Hope-I Prisoner of Zenda; Wiggins-I Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm; Page-I Red Book; Churchill—I Richard Carvel; Parker—I Right of Way; Wright— I Shepherd of the Hills; Johnston—I To Have and to Hold; Fox—I The Trail of the Lonesome Pine: Wister—I The Virginian: Major—I When Knighthood was in Flower; Parrish-I When Wilderness was King; Mc-Call—I Truth Dexter; Spearman—I Whispering Smith; Waller—I Cry in the Wilderness: Bacheller-I Eben Holden.

The Library Committee also sent us an ample supply of sectional book cases and a large globe of the earth.

DEATHS DURING THE YEAR

Date			
of Death	Name	Services.	Place of Interment.
Oct. 2, 191	Charles H. Hubbel.	Masonic	
Dec. 7, 191			Erie, Penn.
Feb. 11, 191	3 Mary F. Hurlbut		Chicago, Ill.
April 2, 191;	Maria Carter	Rev. W. H. Day.	Chicago, Ill.
April 10, 191;	Mary Hamer		Springfield Ill.
April 11, 191	3 Arthur M. Kelly.	Masonic	Atlanta, Ill.
May 15, 191	3 Catherine Vincent .		Mt. Sterling, Ill.
May 28, 191	3 Daniel Martin	Masonic	Sullivan, Ill.
June 3, 191	3 Charles S. Wigging	gton Masonic	Sullivan Ill.
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July 25, 191	3 Daniel S. O'Connel	lMasonic	
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Aug.	5	Draft from Rio Lodge No. 685, Rio 5.4	00

SPECIAL ENTERTAINMENT FUND.

191	2.	DISBURSEMENTS.	
Oct.	10	Deal and Ginzel\$	57.80
Dec.	11	Mrs. Lawrence	10.00
Dec.	28	Hancock Commission Co., Christmas goods	29.60
Dec.	28	Miscellaneous Christmas goods	15.00
Dec.	28	R. D. Meeker, Christmas goods	21.75
Dec.	28	J. R. McClure, Christmas tree	3.00
Dec.	28	E. R. King, Christmas goods	10.65
Dec.	28	H. C. Shirley, Christmas goods	4.00
Dec.		Merchant and Farmer's State Bank, currency 20	00.00
Dec.		Merchant and Farmer's State Bank, silver	50.00
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Jan.	13	H. C. Shirley, Christmas goods	4.00
Jan.	13	McDonald Bros., Christmas goods	10.00
Jan.	13	B. F. Coffman, magazines	21.56
Feb.	27	A. G. Barrum, ice cream	5.00
Mar.	12	Deal and Ginzel, architects fee for erection flag staff	14.00
Mar.	18	Sullivan Auto Co., hauling band	5.00
Mar.	29	R. D. Meeker, candy	3.00
Mar.	29	Hancock Commission Co., oranges	3.50
April	7	Mrs. Gorbutt, expenses trip to Michigan	15.00
April	7	R. R. fare of members to election	7.25
April	II	First National Bank, for phonograph and records I	14.00
April	25	Candy	1.90
June	23	Rev. A. L. Casley	10.00
June	28	Wood and Alumbaugh, lemons for picnic	9.00
July	5	Incidental expenses for picnic	2.10
July	5	A. G. Barrum, ice cream for picnic	10.00
July	5	Sam B. Hall, records	37.15
July	5	Sam B. Hall, toy balloons for picnic	1.00
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July	5	J. D. Leifer, fire works	35.22
July	5	Wood and Alumbaugh, fruit	2.31
July	16	Paul B. Harshman, concrete work around flag staff	10.93
Aug.	16	Wood & Alumbaugh, fruit	4.40
Aug.	16	R. D. Meeker, ice cream	8.00
Sept.	18	Rev. W. B. Hopper	10.00
Sept.	18	Rev. W. H. Day	00.01
Sept.	28	Sam B. Hall, disc records	26.45
Sept.	30	E. Barber, Sunday papers	11.20
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THE DELMAR D. DARRAH BOOK FUND.

Oct.	25, 1912	Check from C.	L.	Hovey\$	50.00
Nov.	14, 1912	Paid over to D.	D.	Darrah, Grand Master	50.00

Our Home physician, Dr. W. P. Davidson, has given the members of the Home the best of attention for their welfare and comfort, and is always ready to render his aid when called upon in addition to his regular visits. The past year we have had to fill our sick ward for men beyond its capacity, and on several occasions requiring some of the members to be cared for in their rooms.

We have had competent nurses who have rendered the Home the best of services at all times and their assistance has certainly aided us in caring for the members.

Our helpers have been of the best and have worked in harmony, and we appreciate their efforts in trying to help us keep up the different departments and make them a little more home-like as the days go by.

Mrs. Pumphrey joins with me in thanking the members of the Board for their loyal support and assistance during the past year.

Fraternally,

GEO. W. PUMPHREY, Superintendent.

To the Executive Committee of the Illinois Masonic Home:

I herewith make my annual report as physician of the Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan, for the year ending September 30, 1913.

We feel encouraged in our work with the hope of a new hospital. We have our chronic cases with us as usual, a few of the old people have met with slight accidents, but we have had no serious fractures and no epidemics. In the past year I have treated about sixty-five cases. Eighteen of our Brothers and Sisters have passed away in this time.

Miss Emaline Lynch, a graduate nurse, was with us until March, 1913, and rendered very satisfactory service; Mrs. Minnie E. Stroble then took charge of the work and was assisted by Miss Hettie Emmons. At this time the work was heavy and both were kept busy and we are indebted to them for their faithful services. Mrs. Stroble left us in April and Miss Emmons continued the work through July; Miss Emma Bean took charge at this time and was with us through August; Miss Lulu Corigan is with us now and is handling the work well.

During the past year we have had three insanity cases with another case pending. These were Bro. Stoddard, Sister Kane and Sister Masters, who were taken to Jacksonville. At present we have two epileptics—Bro. Cunningham and Bro. Plischke. Bro. Chas. Martin is now in the hospital with rupture; Bro. Louie Kline, our locomotor ataxia patient is still in the

hospital, also Bro. Maroe, who is in bad condition being both blind and paralyzed. Bro. Rundel is on a gradual decline incident to old age. Sister Vincent suffered a stroke of paralysis on the 12th of May and died on the 15th; Sister Champlin also was paralyzed and remained in the hospital one month, the stroke rendered her speechless; Sister Haimer died of paralysis and arterio sclerosis; Bro. Wiggington and Bro. McIntyre both died of paralysis; Bro. Daniel Martin broke his collar bone in March and in April was taken to the hospital where he was treated for almost a month before he died of organic heart trouble; Bro. Snell was in the hospital one week from ivy poisoning from which he recovered; Sister Davis was in the hospital one week with lumbago; Bro. O'Connel was in the hospital four days prior to his death due to peritonitis; Sister Feirstine was in the hospital since her arrival at the Home-arterio sclerosis caused her death. During the winter we lost two with pneumonia, Sister Carter and Sister Greene: Sister Taylor had pneumonia and was treated in her room there not being room in the hospital at that time: Sister Dauhiney, who had been ailing for some time was taken to the hospital in April and remained there until she died June 5th of pernicious anemia; Bro. Kelly was in the hospital four days with erysipelas which caused his death; Bro. Hubble and Bro. Bunger both died of stomach trouble; Sister Hurlbert and Sister Crego both died of carcinoma of the stomach; Sister Alice Moore died of dropsy; Illio colitis caused the death of Bro. Allen Newnham. Sister Nelson has been in the hospital three or four times in the past year with rheumatism. I am now treating Bro. Tom Gonio, Bro. Orr, Bro. Moore, Bro. Sprause, Bro. Holder and Bro. Roland; Bro. Tucker has eczema; Bro. Matterson has kidney trouble; Bro. Olson is bothered with hiccoughs; Sister Olson has rheumatism in her hands; Bro. Disenant is under my care at this time for stomach trouble, also Bro. Adams, Bro. Furlough, Bro. Thorne, and Bro. John Burke. Several are nervous and require medicine. I have treated some sores and ulcers, varicose veins and fractured ribs. Bro. Prichard was wounded in the head and required a stitch or two. There have been eighteen received and eighteen died in the past year. There are eighty-eight now in the Home and I have treated or prescribed for all but eight or nine of this number.

Many of the patients have to be treated in their rooms. These rooms contain from two to six members each, and when it is necessary to treat them in this way it is not only bad for the patient but is very unpleasant and unsanitary for the rest of the people occupying the room. I am sure if any member of the Grand Lodge could see the situation as we see it here he would be convinced of the fact that we need a fully equipped hospital here, so we can care for those who are sick and come to us, and not have to turn them away or send them back to their own homes.

We urge and invite any and all who will to visit our Home and see what is being done at the present time. We are caring for our Brothers and Sisters to the best of our ability. I ask that you give this question weighty consideration.

In the past year I have made 199 visits to the Home. Although we have changed nurses at times during the past year I feel that the work has gone on well. Bro. and Sister Pumphrey have been with us for a year and we feel that they are people of real worth, kind and attentive to the needs of the old people.

Fraternally yours,
W. P. Davidson,
Home Physician.

Decatur, Ill., October 1, 1913.

To the Board of Trustees, Illinois Masonic Homes:

Gentlemen:—As Farm Supervisor for the farm land at Sullivan, I submit the following report showing the business transacted from October I, 1912, to October I, 1913, together with a full financial statement covering the entire time since farming was inaugurated as one of the duties of the Board.

During the year we have completed the cow barn and arranged milking stalls for 20 cows with quarters for calves and a bull; also a hay track and fork for the mow and crib room for 350 bushels of corn. We built 107 rods of new wire fence on the north line of the farm, built one new bridge across the open ditch, moved the old coal house from the Home and added it to the barn for a milking shed; furnished the tool house with a new roof and fitted one-half of it for a granary; cemented the floor of the old well house and converted it into a very good milk house; built a feeding place for the cows from logs and poles secured from the timber, and have materials on hand for the building of a tool shed 20x16 to store wagons and implements.

The cash spent in these attempts to furnish ourselves with new buildings totals \$313.36 (\$209.76 for materials and \$103.60 for carpenter work). In all cases we have drawn on the timber and gravel bank for materials and by utilizing the waste lumber from the old porch that was torn from the Home and the many bits of lumber left from the repair work done at the Home during the last summer it has been possible to make a very good showing without a very large investment in materials. Hauling materials and assisting the carpenter occupied the time of one team for 24 hours and one man for 209 hours. This time is valued at \$36.20.

The care and improvement of the farm has been our hobby and has involved a large amount of work but not much cash. The items charged to this account are insurance, telephone, tile, cement, water pipe and fittings, lumber, gasoline, and materials for temporary fences, in all \$148.27.

Under this head I have listed all the time spent in cutting weeds, grubbing fields and fence rows, digging ditch, laying tile, filling in washes, haul-

ing manure, mowing and dragging road, trimming hedge, fixing fences, cleaning barns and lots, grinding feed, pulling stumps, removing boulders from fields, burning brush, sawing and chopping wood, and all odd jobs.

The total time charged can be found listed on both sides of ten cards in the files and can be ascertained by any one having the time and inclination to assemble the numerous items. As a result of the labor listed on these ten cards, I can again report that no weeds have gone to seed in any of the farmed fields, and very few if any along the ditches and roads (except the road through the timber). The washes have filled instead of becoming wider. Manure has been promptly transferred to the fields where it is badly needed. Eight or ten acres of new land will come under the plow this fall and be added to the eight or ten acres that have already been cleaned of brush, grubbed, plowed and planted.

The teams from the farm have been permitted to haul coal for the Home and the Superintendent has paid 50c for each ton hauled, thus adding \$399.02 to the farm fund. For hauling, other than coal hauling we have received \$47.14.

We have six draft horses, one standard bred driving mare, and one draft weanling. According to the system of making a 10 per cent reduction from last year's valuation, they are worth \$1,305.55, but as six of the eight are young animals the foreman on the farm (Bro. C. B. Blankenship) insists that they have increased in value and in his invoice he lists them at \$1,530.00 and without doubt he is near their real worth.

The cash expense of caring for horses during the year was \$79.35. This includes shoeing, veterinary service and a stallion fee but takes no account of feed.

The expenditures for harness \$37.35, added to the value of the harness on hand \$184.34, indicates that we have \$221.69 worth of harness, but evidently harness deteriorates more than 10 per cent for Bro. Blankenship values the harness at but \$164.00.

We bought \$393.65 worth of new machinery and tools during the year. The large items being: two wagons (1 new, 1 second-hand), cream separator, outfit of milk cans, scales and bottles for Babcock tester, gasoline engine, hay tedder and rake, set of low wheels for wagon, hay track and fork for mow. The machinery on hand a year ago is now worth \$729.78 and by the system we should have \$1,121.43 worth of machinery, but according to Bro. Blankenship's invoice we have but \$826.00 worth, but he omits the barn and dairy tools.

Twelve cows, five bred heifers, four heifer calves, and one pure bred Holstein bull calf make up the herd of cattle and counting ten per cent off they are worth \$985.00 but the invoice prepared by the farm foreman,

who knows nothing of this 10 per cent off business, says they are worth \$1,130.00. He is very little below their real value.

Since the last report they have sent to the Home, 43,718 lbs. of milk sold for \$809.18, 367½ lbs. of butter for \$92.14; 633 lbs. of cream for \$30,90; 542 lbs. of buttermilk for \$5.16, thus earning \$937.38.

One cow was sold for \$70.40 and calves brought \$3.00. A cow to replace the one sold to the butcher was bought for \$60.00. A pure bred Holstein bull calf cost \$68.73, a Jersey heifer cost \$16.00 and \$11.00 was paid for the use of the neighbor's bull. We bought \$94.50 worth of bran, oil meal and cotton seed meal and spent \$6.90 for fly chaser. The veterinary surgeon charged \$4.00 for his work with the cows, making a cash outlay of \$261.18.

The cows have consumed feed furnished by the farm, estimated, as follows: 80 tons of silage \$400.00, 20 tons of clover hay \$220.00, 500 bu. of corn \$250.00, 250 bushel oats \$80.00 and have made a big mark in this year's corn crop because of the fact that we have fed green corn cut from the fields since August 25th. They have had green feed or silage every day this year. At no time was the pasture sufficient for respectable maintainance.

A total income of \$1,010.78 with an indicated expense of \$1,211.18, without counting pasture land or labor of feeding, milking, churning, delivering, etc., can not be fully offset by the manure and the increase in value of the herd, although we allow the estimated increase of \$490.00.

It is very doubtful if this herd could have been made to pay in this dry year of 1913 even if the market had been good all the year. The first six months we received \$60.00 a month for the entire output of the herd but during the last six months we have received \$577.20 from the same source. This indicates that we will soon be earning our way.

During the latter half of the year Superintendent Pumphrey has paid us 2c a pound for milk, 25c a pound for butter and usually 1c a pound for buttermilk and we feel that the cows are getting a square deal now and it is up to them to make good. The quality of the stock kept must be largely improved. Good cows kept on this farm would show a handsome profit but when you keep twelve cows to get from 175 to 250 lbs. of milk a day, it takes close calculation to show a profit.

Since last report we butchered 18 hogs on the farm and after supplying the farm-house table sent 1,573 lbs. of pork to the Hoine, together with 94 lbs. of lard for which we received \$186.71. Sold 45 hogs on the market, weighing 10,865 lbs., for \$882.28. The price paid at the Home for fresh pork averaged eleven and one-seventh cents a pound, beginning at 13c in November and going lower as the price of hogs got higher until, in February, with hogs worth \$8.25 to \$8.50 on foot, fresh pork delivered

to the Home brought Ioc a pound and a hog worth \$21.00 on foot brought \$17.10 dressed and delivered.

It may be that the offal more than paid for the work of killing, dressing and delivering, but we needed money worse than offal and sold the remaining hogs to the dealer.

We have 13 sows, 2 stock hogs for early butchering, 53 shoats, 45 little pigs and 1 registered Poland China boar, 114 head worth \$876.00 by the usual process, but valued at \$1.010.00 by the foreman on the farm. The money paid out on the hog account is \$2.90 for dip and rings and \$30.00 for a boar, but the hogs have drawn on our limited supply of corn for 630 bushels worth \$315.00 and 286 bushels of wheat worth \$171.60.

The slops from the Home, the skim milk left after the calves are fed, and the silage left by the cows are all converted into pork at a very handsome profit. So long as the hogs enjoy good health they will show a profit. It appears that we have increased the value of our herd \$300.00 at least and gained \$549.49 in cash from the swine herd.

In the fall of 1912 the silo took 12 acres of late corn and 10 acres were cut for feed. 44 acres were cribbed yielding 1,809 bushels. The crop was evidently worth \$1,344.50. The expense of storing was \$39.27 paid for cribbing corn and \$77.50 for filling the silo.

The season of 1913 has called for one team in the corn field 970 1-2 hours, and for one man 715 hours. We count a team in the field worth 20c an hour and a man worth 15c an hour, and claim the corn should pay \$301.35 for plowing planting and cultivating.

All the corn fields have been carefully gone over with the hoe to make an end of such weeds as escaped the plow but that time was charged to the care of the farm as corn can be raised without that ceremony if the land is in good condition. Within a very few years that work can be dispensed with if the present plan of operation is continued. I hope it can be written in each annual report, that "No weeds have gone to seed in the farmed fields."

Corn for feed and seed since last report cost \$70.46, making a total of \$187.23 cash charged to the corn crop of 1912.

This fall we put 17 1-2 acres of corn in the silo at an expense of \$52.70 cash and several days work. 115 shocks of fodder were cut at a cash expense of \$6.10. The 35 acres remaining are worth \$700.00, indicating a valuation of \$1,236.25 for the 1913 corn crop.

In the 1912 report on hay I estimated clover seed too high from the fact that the hulling was done September 28th and 30th and I based my estimate on 26 bushels reported.

When I became better acquainted with this seed I found it very poorly cleaned and poor in quality. When it was recleaned for market it

yielded 9 bushels of weed seed and after reserving 7 1-2 bushels for spring seeding I was glad to get \$90.25 for the 10 bushels and some pounds remaining. This is the only income we have derived from the hay field, but we have continued to pay out money and charge it to the hay crop. Timothy seed cost \$6.00; baling \$43.52; clover seed \$13.00; cow pea seed \$1.25; timothy hay \$38.50, a total of \$102.27 cash.

We worked in the hay field 449 hours for one man and 334 hours for one team, justifying a charge of \$134.15. We put up 39 loads of clover hay on the farm and put one ton in the Home barn. Because we had no pasture it was necessary for the clover field to fürnish cow feed from early in June until August 1st, when the silo was opened for fall feeding. The cow rack was filled with fresh clover each evening, materially reducing the acreage for hay. Lack of moisture also deprived us of a second cutting or seed crop, but since the September rains we have built a temporary fence around the clover field and hope to pasture the cows there until the stalk field is available. The blue grass pastures may take on new life by the next spring time. The foreman's invoice puts a value of \$325.00 on the hay now on hand. No prospects for 1915.

We seeded about 26 acres in oats the middle of April and August 1st. They were threshed and yielded 410 bushels of oats and the baler was able to get nearly 8 tons of choice oat straw that had never been wet. The entire job of threshing was finished by 9 A. M. I figure this oats crop at \$197.33 and the foreman values the oats now on hand at \$160.00. One team worked 249 hours and one man 184 1-2 hours in the oats field to plant and harvest this crop. The charge in money is \$77.47. Threshing and baling costs \$19.58. Seed cost \$24.00 and believing that \$121.05 is as heavy a charge as this oats crop can stand we have charged all the twine and threshing expenses to the wheat except the actual cash paid to the machine owners. We have on hand 170 bales of oats straw worth \$54.40 and 300 bushels of oats worth \$120.00.

We marketed \$345.33 worth of oats last winter and fed from the stock on hand rather liberally as it was the only sort of feed that we had in abundance.

Potatoes should not be mentioned. We planted potatoes in the old hedge rows that we were anxious to give a specially thorough cultivation and the cultivation was administered properly and bettered the condition of the old hedge rows materially, but did not produce potatoes.

Wheat in the bin did not prove to be as valuable as rated in the report for 1912. It heated until it was not good for marketing. It was prepared and fed to the growing pigs as a slop for which purpose we valued it at 60c a bushel, \$171.60. The 17 acres seeded to wheat last fall yielded 22,220 pounds of wheat and sold for \$303.67. The seed was worth \$20.70 and one team worked in the field 131 hours and one man 106 hours, charge

\$42.10 and the time spent in threshing both wheat and oats charged to wheat \$39.20. The total charged on the wheat card is \$102.00 for work and seed and \$18.15 cash paid for twine and threshing.

We have just finished planting about 30 acres of wheat for next year's harvest. The seed cost \$38.83 and the work was well done.

Mr. Clarence Walker, who had charge of the farm for 1912, was married in June of that year and as I was not able to provide him with residence on the farm he left me September 1, 1912, except that he was considerate enough to return and build the silo and complete some unfinished odd jobs to close a short but satisfactory service. I was not able to provide a satisfactory foreman for the work until February I, 1913, when Bro. C. B. Blankenship of Summit Lodge No. 431, took charge and is still giving good service and showing results that should be satisfactory in spite of the severe handicaps of drouth and heat.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Mitchell came to the farm May 1, 1913, and have been on the job almost constantly since. They are altogether satisfactory people and there is reason to hope that the question of suitable farm help is not now urgent. The showing for 1913 is really excellent and the good work they have done would, under ordinary circumstances show gains in dollars and cents as well as in better farm conditions.

Our poultry yard continues to show large expense and small income, \$84.75 paid out and \$47.89 received. We have on hand 99 hens, 131 young chickens, 12 little chicks, 13 turkeys, 10 geese, 50 ducks and some guineas, worth \$137.90. Two incubators and an outfit of coops and brooders are worth \$50.

Cash paid out in the last 12 mos. amounts to \$3,301.47, apportioned as follows: Buildings, \$313.36; farm, \$148.27; horses, \$79.35; harness, \$37.35; machinery, \$393.65; poultry, \$84.75; cattle, \$261.18; hogs, \$32.90; corn, \$246.03; hay, \$102.27; oats, \$43.58; potatoes, \$3; wheat, \$56.98; help, \$996.41; expense, \$30.10; house, \$472.29.

An invoice of property on hand October 1, 1913, shows that we have buildings, including silo, \$894.66; fences, ditches, dams, etc., costing \$280.60. Horses, \$1,305.55; harness. \$221.69; machinery, \$1,121.43; cows, \$985; hogs, \$876; corn, \$1,236.25; hay, \$325; oats and straw, \$174; poultry, \$187.90; cash balance, \$222.99; total, \$7,831.47.

These values are all well inside and indicate that we have increased our possessions \$30.89 during the year. They allow a depreciation of 10 percent, where there should be an addition in many instances. It pleases me greatly to be able to report to you that the earnings of the horses, cows and hogs each month are sufficient to meet the ordinary running expenses of the farm and although crops are a minus quantity this year and scarcely paid expenses, still the farm has fully maintained itself and no stretch of the imagination could lead to any well founded notion that the farm had

received an unearned favor from any source. Excepting to Supt. and Mrs. Pumphrey, who have been exceedingly kind and helpful to all of us, we have no occasion to so much as say "Thank you" to anyone.

It might be well to repeat here that we had no opportunity to rob this farm. That matter was thoroughly and systematically attended to before we arrived on the premises. From the level farm land comprising over half the farm we have scarcely realized a dollar. It has been seeded to clover at an expense of \$15 a bushel for seed and this year all our clover and timothy seed proved a total loss and the returns from 63 acres of clover standing on badly worn land was not even nominal. However, this has been one of the best years to fight weeds that has happened in the memory of man and we have taken advantage of the opportunity.

We would boast some of the improvement in the condition of this farm if it could serve any good purpose but realizing that a dollar is the only basis of reckoning in the minds of most individuals and being unable to produce the dollars we conclude that it is not our time to boast.

Some other year the farm will show you the money and in the meantime we must console ourselves with the knowledge that we have done fully as well as "Josiah Allen's Wife" or any of our neighbors.

Fraternally submitted,

W. A. Dixon,
Farm Supervisor.

Statement of receipts and disbursements from January, 1912, to September, 1913, inclusive:

RECEIPTS.

Appropria	tion available January 12, 1912\$,142.52
Feb. 10.	Cash rent	150.00
Mar. 30.	Earned hauling for new tank	13.75
April 11.	Milk and meat sold	118.94
May 15.	Milk and meat sold	103.43
May 17.	Two calves sold	18.15
May 20.	Calf hide sold	.72
May 27.	Stag and sow sold (deposit \$340.79)	51.10
June 8.	Milk and meat	35.15
July 1.	Milk	60.00
Aug. 10.	Milk	60,00
Sept. 9.	303 Bu. of wheat sold	272.70
Sept. 1.	Milk	60.00
Sept. 9.	Chickens sold (deposit \$457.28)	4.58
Oct. 3.	Milk	60.00
Nov. 3.	Milk	60.00
Nov. 3.	Meat	10.88

Nov.	3.	Oats sold (deposit \$412.41)	281.53
Dec.	8.	Bull calf sold	1.00
Dec.	8.	Milk	60.00
Dec.	8.	Meat	33.11
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Jan.	5.	Milk	60.00
Jan.	5.	Meat	68.09
Jan.	5.	Poultry sold	10.46
Jan.	5.	Part pay for 2 hogs sold (deposit \$271.66)	40.00
Feb.	2.	Milk	60.00
Feb.	2.	Meat	14.90
Feb.	2.	I cow sold to butcher (deposit \$180)	70.40
Feb.	15.	Hauling 30 tons of coal	160.00
Feb.	24.	Balance on 2 hogs sold	15.00
Mar.	IO.	16 hogs sold	293.70
Mar.	IO.	Meat and milk (deposit \$545.72)	114.39
Apr.	6.	Milk and lard (deposit \$70.77)	70.77
May	12.	Bull calf sold	1.00
May	12.	Balance on milk for March	9.46
May	12.	225 Bu. of oats to Home	63.00
May	12.	Hauling 304 tons of coal (docked \$1 broken window).	151.00
May	12.	Milk for April (deposit \$296.46)	72.00
June	9.	Hauling for 12 months to March, 1913	25.00
June	9.	Cream furnished previous to May	30.00
June	9.	Hauling for March and April, 1913	22.14
June	9.	2 Bu. oats sold for seed	.8c
June	9.	Hauling coal to May I	6.75
June	*9 .	Milk for May	74.40
June	9.	Butter for May	20.88
June	9.	Buttermilk (deduct \$18 for coal)	1.21
June	9.	19 Doz. eggs (deposit \$166.41)	3.23
July	8.	91½ Lbs. butter	22.88
July	8.	3.595 Lbs. milk	71.90
July	8.	133 Lbs. buttermilk	1.33
July	8.	42 Doz. eggs	6.72
July	8.	Coal hauling for May and June	33.50
		(Deduct \$7.85 for man and team in hay field 221/2	
		hours.)	
July	8.	16 hogs sold (deposit \$463.01)	334.53
July	12.	Wheat sold	301.19
Aug.		3.786 Lbs. milk	75.72
Aug.		68 Lbs. butter	17.00
Aug.	IO.	135 Lbs. buttermilk	1.25
A 110°	IO	25 Doz eggs	3 23

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(Deduct for I day's work for I man, deposit \$396.36)	
Sept. 7. 10 hogs sold	198.05
Sept. 7. 45½ Doz. eggs	7.28
Sept. 7. 100 Lbs. buttermilk	1.00
Sept. 7. 73½ Lbs. butter	18.38
Sept. 7. 3.672 Lbs. milk (3.736 Lbs. delivered)	73.44
Sept. 7. 41¾ Tons of coal hauled	20.87
(Deposit \$319.57)	
Sept. 30. Coal hauled	25.90
Sept. 30. 3,635 Lbs. of milk	72.70
Sept. 30. 52 Lbs. of butter	13.00
Sept. 30. 53 Lbs. of buttermilk	.27
Sept. 30. 35 Lbs. dressed chicken	7.70
Sept. 30. 37 Doz. eggs	9.25
_	\$128.82
Less price of 1 Bbl. of sweet potatoes	
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Superintendent's check	\$1.26.57
Deposited by Treasurer\$	1 202 52
Deposited by W. A. Dixon (earnings or income from farm for	4,292.32
19 months)	4,047.01
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4 W. A. Dixon, expense, freight.....

Check	
No.	
5 G. W. Vest & Son, harness	
6 Craig Bros., wagons, implements	
7 Cummins & Son, stoves, tools	
8 O. L. Todd, bedding, carpets, curtains	
9 C. A. Corbin, chairs, tables, shades	
10 J. R. McClure, groceries	
11 E. E. Barber, alarm clock	
12 C. & E. I. Ry., freight on horses	16.53
13 Cummins & Son, hardware, tools	20.65
14 Hancock Com. Co., 2½ Bu. potatoes	3.63
15 C. A. Corbin, wall paper, furniture	47.25
16 G. W. Vest & Son, harness	46.25
17 Alexander Lum. Co., lumber for hay rack	6.51
18 T. G. Hughes, shoes	3.50
19 J. W. Holt, sausage	1.00
20 Field & Shorb, water pipe and fittings	59.74
21 O. L. Todd, bedding	2.20
22 J. W. Poland, butchering, meat	2.10
23 Auto Co., 8 batteries	
24 V. H. Knutzen, veterinary services	
25 W. E. Storm, 5 tons hay	
26 C. E. Walker, work	
27 Walter Cliff, work	_
28 J. R. McClure, groceries, salt	
29 Orla McGinnis, work	
30 G. I. Covalt, Nancy Lee incubator	
31 C. A. Thrift & Co., 7½ Bu. clover seed	
32 James Bathe, growing wheat	
33 J. Bracken, eggs (21 doz.)	
34 Jas. Davidson, 10 Doz. eggs	
35 Cash M. Powell, 105 Bu. oats	
36 Hancock Com. Co., seed potatoes	
37 L. T. Hagerman & Co., tile and water pipe	
38 G. S. Thompson, chick feed	
39 J. Bracken, 26 Doz. eggs	
40 Home Telephone Co., 'phone for 3 months	
41 G. C. Hogue, 49 bales hay, 57½ Bu. oats	
42 Sam B. Hall, rat poison, horse medicine	
43 Howard & Chapman, bran and oil meal	
44 G. W. Vest & Son, pads, chains, straps	
45 Cummins & Son, poultry netting	
46 Jas. Davidson, work (8 horses, 2 men 18½ hrs.)	
47 W. E. Storms, work (team and man, 7 hrs.)	-
4/ W. L. Diofins, work (team and man, / ms.)	2.10

Check	
No.	
48 F. Bromley, veterinary service	5.00
49 J. R. McClure, groceries	6.70
50 Jas. Davidson, 15 Doz. eggs	2.40
51 W. J. Myers, 21 goose eggs	3.15
52 C. E. Walker, work, freight	25.46
53 Orla McGinnis, work	17.00
54 Walter Cliff, work	10.00
55 Cummins & Son, hardware	5.90
56 W. S. Craig, blacksmithing	3.00
57 Howard & Chapman, bran and meal (cotton seed)	13.00
58 Sam B. Hall, horse medicine and rat poison	2.25
59 J. W. Poland, meat	5.60
60 E. R. King, bread	2.35
61 J. R. McClure, groceries	23.24
62 W. E. Storms, meat	1.10
63 Mrs. R. Collins, strawberries, eggs	3.00
64 Hancock Com. Co., potatoes	3.25
65 G. C. Hogue, hay, oats, corn	48.32
66 R. Kirby, 8 Bu. seed corn	12.00
67 John George, fish, insect powder	2.84
68 J. Bracken, 258 eggs	3.23
69 Orla McGinnis, work	26.00
70 Walter Cliff, work	15.00
71 C. E. Walker, work, freight paid	40.69
72 Craig Bros., implements	285.70
73 Home Telephone Co., telephone	1.70
74 Alexander Lumber Co., paint and roofing	24.30
75 W. H. Chase, 3 yards gravel	3.75
76 O. J. Gauger, cement, lumber for barn	69.77
77 W. S. Craig, blacksmith	4.00
78 Cummins & Son, haytools and hardware	20.60
79 W. H. Selby (carpenter), 4 men, 37hrs. labor	44.40
80 G. C. Hogue, 2 Bu. seed corn	4.00
81 R. Collins, 2 Bu. seed corn	2.50
82 P. B. Harshman, concrete work for barn	9.75
83 Dedman & Son, 3 set fly nets	11.00
84 L. T. Hagerman, trap for sink	.90
85 Auto Co., batteries and wire	1.85
86 J. R. McClure, groceries	27.49
87 E. R. King, bread	2.10
88 O. C. Mattox, liniment, spices, extracts	4.75
89 Clarence Walker, work, veterinary bill	30.00

Check N.	
No. 90 Walter Cliff, work	10.00
91 Orla McGinnis, work	29.00
92 Charles Maroe, work	4.75
93 Wilmeth Hovey, work	3.25
94 Cummins & Son, hardware	2.80
95 Howard & Chapman, bran and cotton seed meal	12.00
96 J. R. McClure, groceries	59.48
97 R. Collins, raspberries	4.00
98 J. Bracken, 20½ Doz. eggs	3.28
99 J. W. Poland, meat	16.30
100 E. R. King, bread	2.95
101 E. W. Davis, coal	4.08
102 Milton Manly, work	23.25
103 Telephone Co., telephone	3.45
104 G. W. Vest & Son, harness	3.45 1.25
105 Craig Bros., twine, castings.	9.75
106 C. E. Walker, work	25.00
107 Walter Cliff, work	30.00
108 Orla McGinnis, work	31.00
109 Witts & Witts, tile	7.65
110 Alexander Lumber Co., roofing	, .
III E. W. Davis, coal	19.25 2,28
112 Home Telephone Co., telephone	
113 W. S. Craig, blacksmith	1.90
114 O. J. Gauger, cement	4.00
115 Dedman & Son, harness	4.90 .80
116 W. A. Newbould, twine	
117 J. W. Poland, meat	4.25
118 J. R. McClure, groceries	14.50
119 Loveless & Waggoner, meat	45.13
120 R. Collins, grapes	1.55
121 E. R. King, bread	1.00
122 O. C. Mattox, fly chaser, extracts, spices	3.60
123 C. E. Walker, settlement for work	8.20
	2.23
124 Walter Cliff, settlement for work	3.85
	23.00
126 Burrows Feed Co., alfalfa seed	19.70
127 Ben Blackwell, threshing	70.66
128 L. R. Harshman, cement base for silo	35.00
129 W. A. Dixon, expense account	17.03
130 Edith Collins, work	2.00
131 C. Maroe, work	3.75
132 W. Hovey, work	5.62

Check	
No. 133 Ed Reedy, work on silo	16.20
134 J. F. Comstock, work on silo	
135 C. E. Walker, work on silo	
136 O. J. Gauger, lumber and roofing	-
137 Purvis & Dunkin, 14 grain sacks	-
138 Sam B. Hall, oil and salts	
139 Loveless & Waggoner, meat	
140 E. R. King, bread	
141 J. W. Poland, meat	
142 G. W. Vest, harness	
143 J. C. White, buggy	
144 Alexander Lumber Co., lumber, paint	
145 C. A. Corbin, floor paint	
146 Dedman & Son, whip, pads	
147 Cummins & Son, baskets, screens	
148 W. S. Craig, blacksmith	
149 E. W. Davis, coal	
150 J. R. McClure, groceries	
151 Carl Carter, hulling clover	
152 G. C. Hogue, 3 Bu. timothy seed	
153 Walter Cliff, work	
154 M. Manly, work	
155 Craig Bros., settlement of implements	
156 Indiana Silo Co., silo	
157 Chapman Doake Co., bran and cotton seed meal	
158 C. T. Davis, hauled load of coal	
159 Leonard Estes, extracts	
160 E. R. King, bread	
161 Loveless & Waggoner, meat	
162 Hancock Commission Co., feed	
163 J. R. McClure, groceries	
164 Home Telephone Co., telephone	
165 G. W. Vest & Son, harness	
166 J. Bracken, molasses	1.40
167 O. J. Gauger, lumber	14.65
168 C. E. Reeves, filling silo	50,00
169 Sam B. Hall, drugs	
170 Cummins & Son, hardware	10.70
171 J. W. Poland, meat	5.60
172 C. M. Cochran, carpenter work	25.50
173 Asa Johnson, carpenter work	27.00
174 James Poland, work	26.25
175 M. Manley, work	38.50

No.	
No. 176 W. Cliff, money paid out	20.17
177 L. Murphy, work	18.00
178 P. Murphy, work	4.00
179 C. Maroe, work	1.50
180 W. Hovey, work	1.00
181 L. Collins, work in silo	8.75
182 R. Collins, work in silo	5.00
183 E. W. Davis, coal, hauling	14.25
184 W. Cliff, work	30.00
185 W. S. Craig, blacksmith	20.00
186 E. R. King, bread	3.55
187 J. W. Poland, meat	1.75
188 F. McPheters, paint brushes	1.10
189 O. J. Gauger, roofing lumber	27.95
190 Alexander Lumber Co., lumber, barn fittings	58.97
191 Dedman & Son, horse blankets	13.00
192 McClure, groceries	30.25
193 B. Blackwell, baling hay	33.27
194 Home Telephone Co., telephone	1.70
195 Cummins & Son, basket, lantern, bolts	5.00
196 Hancock Commission Co., feed, flour	15.20
197 C. M. Cochran, carpenter work	8.10
198 J. W. Longwell, moving shed	35.00
199 A. Purvis, carpenter work	3.50
200 A. Johnson, carpenter work	4.50
201 J. Poland, work	47.27
202 T. Risley, work	11.00
203 W. Cliff, work	21.65
204 F. McPheters, saltpeter	.20
205 F. Bromley, veterinary service	7.50
206 John George, 2 turkey hens	3.60
207 M. Perry, service of bull	11.00
208 A. Ashbrook, bran, shorts	4.00
200 McClure, groceries	23.20
210 Home Telephone Co., telephone	1.50
E. R. King, bread	2.80
212 W. S. Craig, blacksmith	5.25
213 J. Davidson, cow	60.00
214 L. Collins, heifer, sled, cooker	19.00
215 T. Risley, work	22.50
216 W. Jackson, work	14.00
217 W. Cliff, work, paid out	43.18
218 J. George, 2 roosters	2.00

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No.	•	
219	W. S. Craig, blacksmith	15.85
220	Home Telephone, telephone	1.70
221	Cummins & Son, hardware, milk cans, cash	31.65
222	Dedman & Son, harness	1.75
223	Alexander Lumber Co., tile	11.04
224	Loveless & Waggoner, meat	3.75
225	E. R. King, bread	4.35
226	McClure, groceries, salt	34.45
227	Hancock Commission Co., cotton seed, potatoes	37.65
228	J. E. Swisher, 2 wagon tongues	6.00
229	C. Maroe, work	2.00
	T. Risley, work	24.50
231	W. Cliff, work, wagon	38.80
232	C. A. Cyphers, incubator	19.00
233	Field & Shorb Co., water pipe, fittings	14.03
	Home Telephone Co., telephone	1.50
	W. S. Craig, blacksmith	3.00
236	Auto Co., batteries	1.50
-	J. C. White, repair saw and buggy	1.25
	Cummins & Son, hardware, cash	12.80
	J. T. Emterline, 2 turkeys	4.44
	J. Bracken, 14 Doz. eggs	2.52
	J. Bracken, 15 Doz. eggs	3.45
	Hancock Com. Co., cotton seed meal, oil cake	8.98
	Alexander Lumber Co., lumber, roofing	16.24
	O. Hogue, corn, hay, oats	58.50
	McClure, groceries	32.41
	E. R. King, bread	3.30
	Loveless & Waggoner, meat, horse radish	1.65
	Witts & Witts, tile	4.05
	T. Rislew, work	12.00
	W. Cliff, work	30.00
	C. B. Blankenship, work	35.00
_	W. A. Dixon, expense	32.74
	Craig Bros., machinery	5.25
	Dedman & Son, barn tools	5.10
	W. S. Craig, blacksmith	6.00
	Cummins & Son, cream separator, cans	69.15
_	McClure, groceries	31.85
	E. R. King, bread	3.30
	Loveless & Waggoner, meat	3.75
	C. Weekly, brooms	1.75
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Home Telephone Co., telephone	1.50
J. E. Briscoe, work	28.00
W. Cliff, work	35.00
C. B. Blankenship, work, horse medicines	37.15
W. H. Crabb, insurance	63.75
A. S. Chase, Holstein bull calf	50.00
Home Telephone Co., telephone	1.50
W. S. Craig, blacksmith	5.75
Dedman & Son, harness	3.25
E. R. King, bread	5.05
Loveless & Waggoner, meat	4.70
J. R. McClure, groceries	36.10
Blankenship, work	35.50
J. E. Briscoe, work	28.00
W. Cliff, work, poultry, fruit	55.00
L. T. Hagerman, rebuild gasoline engine	37.35
E. Smith, hauling coal	1.76
W. A. Dixon, expense for bull and W.—Cliff	67.59
Dedman & Son, collar	1.25
O. Hogue, oats, hay	15.40
Craig Bros., milk trough	8.65
Home Telephone Co., telephone	1.50
J. George, fish	1.17
W. S. Craig, blacksmith	2.75
Cummins & Son, gasoline, hoes	4.55
J. R. McClure, groceries, crocks	18.30
Loveless & Waggoner, meat	2.40
E. R. King, bread	2.05
O. C. Mattox, spices, extracts	6.15
C. Maroe, work	3.75
C. M. Mitchell, work	28.00
J. E. Briscoe, work	28.00
Blankenship, work, paid out	40.00
Cummins & Son, hay tools	13.95
Alexander Lumber Co., lumber	3.40
J. C. White, axle for low wagon	4.00
Craig Bros., sickle, twine, oil, tongue	13.90
Auto Co., work on engine	1.50
O. Hogue, corn	39.83
Home Telephone Co., telephone	1.50
J. Davidson, cherries	2.00
Loveless & Waggoner, meat	1.90
	Home Telephone Co., telephone J. E. Briscoe, work W. Cliff, work C. B. Blankenship, work, horse medicines. W. H. Crabb, insurance A. S. Chase, Holstein bull calf Home Telephone Co., telephone W. S. Craig, blacksmith Dedman & Son, harness E. R. King, bread Loveless & Waggoner, meat J. R. McClure, groceries Blankenship, work J. E. Briscoe, work W. Cliff, work, poultry, fruit L. T. Hagerman, rebuild gasoline engine. E. Smith, hauling coal W. A. Dixon, expense for bull and W.—Cliff, Dedman & Son, collar O. Hogue, oats, hay Craig Bros., milk trough Home Telephone Co., telephone J. George, fish W. S. Craig, blacksmith Cummins & Son, gasoline, hoes J. R. McClure, groceries, crocks. Loveless & Waggoner, meat E. R. King, bread O. C. Mattox, spices, extracts C. Maroe, work C. M. Mitchell, work J. E. Briscoe, work Blankenship, work, paid out Cummins & Son, hay tools Alexander Lumber Co., lumber J. C. White, axle for low wagon Craig Bros., sickle, twine, oil, tongue. Auto Co., work on engine O. Hogue, corn Home Telephone Co., telephone

Check	
No.	
303 J. R. McClure, groceries	23.60
304 E. R. King, bread	2.75
305 C. M. Mitchell, work	28.00
306 J. E. Briscoe, work	28.00
307 Blankenship, work	35.00
308 Mrs. Mitchell, poultry	8.47
309 Home Telephone Co., telephone	1.50
310 O. J. Gauger, lumber, cement	40.95
311 Cummins & Son, tools, gasoline	7.45
312 W. S. Craig, blacksmith	3.50
313 Dedman & Son, pads, fly net, bit	2.60
314 F. McPheters, fiy chaser	2.90
315 J. C. Wiley, stallion fee	20.00
316 J. Davidson, corn	23.60
317 F. J. Thompson, legal services	2.50
318 T. V. Drew, threshing	14.40
319 A. Blackwell, threshing	8.20
320 S. C. Lake, baling straw	11.28
321 Hancock Com. Co., case plums	1.25
322 Loveless & Waggoner, meat	3.50
323 E. R. King, bread	2.75
324 Wood & Alumbaugh, groceries	13.60
325 McClure, groceries	7.50
326 C. Maroe, work	6.75
327 C. M. Mitchell, work	28.00
328 Eloris Mitchell, work	3.00
329 J. E. Briscoe, work	16.00
330 Blankenship, work, expense	43.81
331 C. A. Thrift, hay tedder and rake	60.00
332 Mrs. Mitchell, poultry	3.00
333 Home Telephone Co., telephone	1.50
334 Alexander Lumber Co., lumber, roofing	27.43
335 Auto Co., batteries	· 1.10
336 Geo. Mathies, pure bred boar	30.00
337 W. S. Craig, blacksmith	9.50
338 Cummins & Son, gasoline, tools	13.70
339 Craig Bros., twine, seed, repairs	17.80
340 Dedman & Son, harness, whip, tie ropes	1.05
341 Loveless & Waggoner, meat	4.10
342 E. R. King, bread	3.25
343 Wood & Alumbaugh, groceries	16.54
344 C. M. Mitchell, work	28.00

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No.	
345 S. Brooks, work	28.00
346 Blankenship, work, laundry, freight	38.33
347 Mrs. Mitchell, poultry	5.11
348 Wood & Alumbaugh, groceries	18.04
349 E. R. King, bread and cakes	3.75
350 Loveless & Waggoner, meat	6.95
351 W. S. Craig, shoeing	1.50
352 J. M. Cummins & Son, gasoline and hardware	4.50
353 Craig Bros., twine and tongue for disc	4.20
354 Alexander Lumber Co., barbed wire	14.65
355 Dougherty Bros., 7 yards of gravel	1.00
356 Omer Lowe, silo filling	30.00
357 John Elder, cutting and binding 17½ acres corn	17.50
358 R. Kirby, 39½ Bu. seed wheat	36.80
359 C. B. Blankenship, work and cash paid out	51.75
360 C. M. Mitchell, September work	28.00
361 Silas Brooks, wages to October 4, 1913	28.00
362 Mrs. C. M. Mitchell, September earnings	9.52
363 W. A. Dixon, expense account	11.25
364 C. B. Blankenship, paid for labor and fruit	9.10
365 Home Telephone Co., telephone for October	1.50

\$8,116.54

REPORT-Special Committee.

Bro. C. H. Martin presented the following report from the Special Committee on Jurisdiction of Chicago lodges:

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

Your Committee on Jurisdiction of Chicago lodges would fraternally report that we have used our best endeavors to become familiar with the conditions giving rise to our appointment as such committee, and have carefully considered the remedies proposed for the evils growing out of, or connected with jurisdictional questions, and mentioned by the M.W. Grand Master in his report for 1912. For the purpose of qualifying for the performance of its duty, your committee held a hearing at the Hotel LaSalle, in Chicago, on June 28, 1913, of which hearing all the lodges in Cook county were notified, before that time by the Grand Secretary, and which representatives of most of the lodges of Cook county outside of Chicago attended. Representatives from many of the lodges of Chicago, also, attended the hearing.

We wish at the outset to disclaim any purpose to minimize the evils, irregularities and jurisdictional entanglements mentioned by the Grand Master, or their demoralizing influence upon the craft, but on the contrary we have to report that in our investigation of conditions, we heard sufficient evidence to amply prove all that the Grand Master stated in his report. Jurisdictional entanglements have arisen between some of the lodges of Chicago, and of Cook county, and irregularities growing out of jurisdictional questions have been practiced, with the result of more or less confusion among the members of the craft concerned.

To alleviate these evils, by way of remedial legislation, two propositions have been submitted to, and carefully considered by your committee, to-wit:

- 1. To abolish by law the present rule of concurrent jurisdiction, as now provided for cities having two or more lodges, so far as said rule applies to the city of Chicago, and assign and fix a definite, separate territorial jurisdiction for each of the lodges of said city.
- 2. To extend the rule of concurrent jurisdiction, as the same now applies to cities having two or more lodges, to all the lodges of Cook county. The remedy first mentioned appears to your committee to be altogether inexpedient, and practically incapable of being put into workable shape. The constant shifting of the population of the city of Chicago would render the scheme of assigning and fixing a definite separate territorial jurisdiction to each of the lodges, which should be fair and equitable to all, next to impossible, and if once so arranged, there could be no assurance that such scheme would continue to be fair and equitable for any considerable length of time. The second measure proposed, i. e., the extension of the rule of concurrent jurisdiction, has more reason and plausibility to recommend it, and if enacted into law, might be put into practical shape, but your committee is unable to find that the probable result would be any alleviation or mitigation of existing evils. We strongly incline to the opinion that an amendment of the law of this character would complicate rather than cure the evils resulting from jurisdictional squabbles. Your committee would further state that at the hearing conducted by it, every lodge in Cook county outside of Chicago, by its representative expressed itself in opposition to extending the rule of concurrent jurisdiction, and but a very few of the city lodges gave us any evidence of being in favor of its extension.

Your committee is of the opinion from the investigation of conditions made, that the entanglements that have arisen, and the irregularities that have been at times practiced, having their origin in jurisdictional questions, have occurred in spite of the law, rather than because of the defects and infirmities in the law. It is the judgment of your committee that in nine cases out of ten where trouble has ensued from disputes concerning jurisdictional questions, it originated either from acting in ignorance of the law, or in willful disregard of the law.

Your committee, therefore recommends the continuance of the present law controlling the jurisdiction of lodges and as a remedy for the evils arising and pointed out by the Grand Master, we have only to recommend that the lodges concerned familiarize themselves with the law as it exists, and endeavor strictly and scrupulously to obey it.

. Fraternally submitted,

CHAS. H. MARTIN, LAWRENCE C. JOHNSON, JOHN D. CLEVELAND, NORMAN M. MESNARD,

Committee

It was adopted.

A dissent by Bro. Asahel W. Gage was read and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

DISSENT.

I agree with the majority of the committee that concurrent jurisdiction of Cook county is not advisable. I do not agree that the hardships of the present law do not mitigate against the offense of its violation or that greater study might not produce a better law.

ASAHEL W. GAGE.

REPORT—Committee on Correspondence.

M.W. Bro. Owen Scott presented the following reports:

To the Grand Lodge of Illinois:

Your Committee to whom was referred the resolution asking recognition of the Grand Lodge of Porto Rico has had the same under consideration and presents this report. The legitimacy of its origin is bound up in the history of the Grand Lodge of Cuba. Although in fraternal relation with the latter, a brief summary of its record will be pertinent.

Beginning in 1804 Pennsylvania chartered seven lodges in Cuba, Louisiana three and South Carolina two. On March 27, 1818, these united to form the Spanish lodge of the York Rite of Cuba. This Grand Lodge prospered for a few years, founding lodges to the number of sixty-six. But in 1823 began the persecution under Ferdinand VII of Spain, and after five years there remained only two lodges in the whole land; these two continuing work until 1859, when South Carolina founded in Santiago de Cuba a third, in order that the three might unite to form a new grand lodge. This they did on December 5, 1859, under the name of the Grand

Lodge of Cuba. The life of this grand lodge as an independent organization has been continuous to date. In 1885 this grand lodge (Cuba) organized the Sovereign Grand Lodge of Porto Rico.

This historical summary clearly establishes the legitimacy of the Grand Lodge of Porto Rico by direct lineage from the Grand Lodge of England through the several grand lodges of America.

It was learned from William F. Lippitt, Grand Master, and from Illinois Masons resident in Porto Rico that the Grand Lodge had supreme and independent control of Ancient Craft Masonry in that island. Thus the second fundamental was established. It is beyond question that belief in God, the immortality of the soul and the acceptance of the Bible as the great light in Masonry are demanded as essentials in that jurisdiction. Thus the third requirement was met.

From the proceedings established both in Spanish and English it was learned that there are thirty constituent lodges with a membership of about 1,400. Their laws are similar to those of Illinois and other American Grand Lodges and much good is accomplished by Freemasonry in this island possession of the United States. To summarize, it may be said—

- 1st. The Grand Lodge of Porto Rico has supreme control over the three degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry.
- 2nd. The Grand Lodge of Porto Rico was established by the Grand Logia de Colon e Isla de Cuba in 1885.
- 3rd. The Grand Lodge of Porto Rico requires of all applicants a belief in God.
- 4th. The Holy Bible is required to be on the altars of the lodges when candidates are obligated.
- 5th. The Grand Lodge of Porto Rico does not recognize as masonic any body which does not require of its members a belief in God, and therefore does not have any fraternal relations with so-called masonic bodies of France.

In view of the foregoing, your committee recommends the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of Illinois hereby recognize the Grand Lodge of Porto Rico as a sovereign Grand Lodge of Ancient Craft Masonry and that the Grand Master invite an exchange of representatives between this Grand Lodge and that of Porto Rico.

To the Grand Lodge of Illinois:

Your Committee on Correspondence has had under careful consideration the request for recognition of a new Grand Lodge in the Philippine Islands. The constituent lodges uniting to form this Grand Lodge are all regular lodges under grand jurisdictions long recognized by the Grand Lodge of Illinois.

Three of these are working under charters issued by the Grand Lodge of California, the other two being chartered by Scotland. Thus it will be seen that there is unquestioned legitimacy of origin.

There is no other body in the Philippines claiming authority over Ancient Craft Masonry. Hence the new Grand Lodge is a supreme governing body in its jurisdiction in the far east.

The work and ritual of California are adopted as the guide for this new Grand Lodge. By this there is due recognition of God, as the Supreme Architect of the Universe, and of the Bible, as the great light in masonry.

Thus it will be seen that there is complete conformity to the three fundamentals of recognition demanded by the Grand Lodge of Illinois, viz.:

- 1st. Legitimacy of origin of the constituent lodges uniting to form the Grand Lodge.
- 2nd. Supreme and independent control of Ancient Craft Masonry in the grand jurisdiction; and
- 3rd. Belief in God and the Bible on the altar as the great light in Masonry.

Therefore, it is recommended that the following be adopted:

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of Illinois hereby recognize the "Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Philippine Islands" as a sovereign Grand Lodge of Ancient Craft Masonry and that the Grand Master invite an exchange of representatives between this Grand Lodge and that of the Philippine Islands.

They were adopted.

REPORT-Committee on Libraries.

Bro. Samuel Frankland made the following report from the Committee on Libraries for Masonic Homes:

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

Obedient to the expressed will of the Grand Lodge the Committee on Libraries for Masonic Homes caused a circular to be sent to constituent lodges of this Grand Lodge, requesting cash donations to the Delmar D. Darrah Fund, to the end that suitable books, etc., might be bought and placed in the Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan and the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home at LaGrange.

The liberality of the lodges enabled your committee to supply our Masonic Homes with abundant books and periodicals, to purchase suitable book cases for both homes and to furnish a room for the library at the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home so completely as to cause visitors to proclaim it the most home-like room in the building.

The Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan now has 695 books and ten book cases. The Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home has 368 books, twenty-eight sections of book cases and one combination book case and writing desk. To furnish the library room at the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home, your committee purchased linoleum, curtains for windows, chairs, a clock and several pictures.

We recommend that a picture of the library room at the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home be printed in the proceedings of this annual meeting, that brethren may gain some idea of the comforts contributed through their generosity.

We further recommend, that a room suitable for a library at the Illinois Masonic Home be set aside for the purpose as soon as available, and that it be furnished from the fund now in the hands of your committee.

Detailed report of money received and expended follows: Contributions to the Delmar D. Darrah Fund prior to the seventy-third annual meeting of the Grand Lodge were from the following:

Chicago Lodge No. 437\$50.00
Standard Lodge No. 873 50.00
Lake View Lodge No. 774 20.00
Herder Lodge No. 669 10.00
Harbor Lodge No. 731
Concord Lodge No. 917 50.00
Garfield Lodge No. 686100.00
Jackson Park Lodge No. 915 10.00
Constantia Lodge No. 783 5.00
Ogden Park Lodge No. 897 10.00
Ben Hur Lodge No. 818 10.00
D. C. Cregier Lodge No. 643 10.00
Circle Lodge No. 938 5.00
Crescent Lodge No. 895 10.00
Oak Park Lodge No. 540 10.00
John B. Sherman Lodge No. 880 25.00
Welcome Lodge No. 916
North Shore Lodge No. 937 10.00
Edgewater Lodge No. 901 15.00
Brighton Park Lodge No. 854 15.00
Riverside Lodge No. 862 5.00

\$440.00

Contributions in response to circular sent out by committee were:

Lodge.	Amount.	Lodge.	Amount.
Bodley No. 1		Dundee No. 190	
Harmony No. 3	•	Farmington No. 192	
Macon No. 8		Freedom No. 194	
Hancock No. 20		Homer No. 199	
Franklin No. 25	-	Centralia No. 201	
Mt. Vernon No. 31		Tamaroa No. 207	
Occidental No. 40		William B. Warren No. 20	
Hardin No. 44	_	Logan No. 210	. 5.00
Mt. Moriah No. 51		Ipava No. 213	. 10.00†
Benevolent No. 52		Newton No. 216	. 10.00
Trio No. 57		Charter Oak No. 236	. 5.00
New Boston No. 59		Cairo No. 237	. 10.00
Lacon No. 61	10.00	Black Hawk No. 238	. 1.00
St. Mark's No. 63	10.00	Galva No. 243	. 10.00
Pacific No. 66	2.00	Robinson No. 250	
Acacia No. 67	10.00	Aurora No. 254	
Chester No. 72	10.00	Mattoon No. 260	. 5.00*
Mt. Nebo No. 76	5.00	Amon No. 261	_
Waukegan No. 78	10.00	Channahon No. 262	
Havana No. 88	10.00	Illinois No. 263	
Jerusalem Temple No. 9	0 25.00†	Paris No. 268	. 5.00
Stewart No. 92	5.00	Blaney No. 271	
Rockford No. 102	-	Pontiac No. 294	. 10.00
Magnolia No. 103	10.00	Raven No. 303	
Winchester No. 105	10.00	Ionic No. 312	
Trenton No. 109	5.00	York No. 313	
Marcelline No. 114	10.00†	Abraham Jonas No. 316.	
Mound No. 122	10.00	J. L. Anderson No. 318	
Cedar No. 124	10.00	Doric No. 319	
Golconda No. 131	2.50†	Creston No. 320	
Sycamore No. 134	5.00	Harrisburg No. 325	
Polk No. 137	5.00	Summerfield No. 342	
Geneva No. 139	5.00†	Milledgeville No. 345	
Olney No. 140	10.00	Sidney No. 347	
Richmond No. 143	5.00	Sublette No. 349	
Lee Center No. 146		Ark and Anchor No. 354.	
Clayton No. 147		Tonica No. 364	
Clay No. 153		Bement No. 365	
Alpha No. 155		Chambersburg No. 373	
Delavan No. 156	4.00	Aroma No. 378	2.00†

^{*}Indicates donor desired money spent for Home at Sullivan.

[†]Indicates donor desired money spent for Home at La Grange.

Lodge.	Amount.	Lodge. A	mount.
Urbana No. 157	. 10.00	Waltham No. 384	5.00
Edward Dobbins No. 164.	. 5.00	Kankakee No. 389	10.00
Atlanta No. 165	. 15.00	Odell No. 401	10.00†
Star in the East No. 166	. 10.00	Mason City No. 403	5.00*
Lena No. 174	. 5.00	Batavia No. 404	5.00
Mendota No. 176	. 10.00	Stratton No. 408	5.00
Illinois Central No. 178	. 2.00	Thomas J. Turner No. 409.	15.00
Cyrus No. 188	. 5.00	Marseilles No. 417	10,00
Washburn No. 421	. 10.00	Sheridan No. 735	*00.00
Lanark No. 423	. 5.00*	Lounsbury No. 751	5.00
Exeter No. 424	. 5.00	Mystic Star No. 758	10.00
Chebanse No. 429	. 5.00	Crete No. 763	5.00
Hamshire No. 443	. 10.00	Sullivan No. 764	
Cave-in-Rock No. 444	. 1.00†	Palace No. 765	
Loami No. 450	. 5.00	Mizpah No. 768	10.00
Bromwell No. 451	. 2.00	La Grange No. 770	25.00
Irving No. 455		Mansfield No. 773	5.00
Palmyra No. 463	. 5.00†	Ravenswood No. 777	5.00
McLean No. 469		Wright's Grove No. 779	10.00
Amity No. 472	. 5.00	Siloam No. 780	25.00
Gordon No. 473	. 5.00†	Beacon Light No. 784	5.00
Rutland No. 477	. 10.00	Riverton Union No. 786	5.00
Lexington No. 482	. 10.00	Auburn Park No. 789	10.00
Anderw Jackson No. 487	. 5.00	Broadlands No. 791	5.00
Murphysboro No. 498	. 5.00†	A. T. Darrah No. 793	5.00†
St. Pauls No. 500	. 10.00*	Kenwood No. 800	50.00
Stark No. 501		Neponset No. 803	2.00
Meridian Sun No. 505	. 5.00	S. M. Dalzell No. 805	10.00
Home No. 508		Cornland No. 808	1.00
Parkersburg No. 509	. 5.00	Henderson No. 820	5.00*
J. D. Moody No. 510		Pearl No. 823	2.50
Monitor No. 522		Arthur No. 825	5.00*
Evans No. 524		Magic City No. 832	10.00
Minooka No. 528	. 10.00	Dean No. 833	2.00
Altamont No. 533	. 10.00	Triple No. 835	10.00
Lockport No. 538		Hindsboro No. 837	5.00
Towanda No. 542		Woodlawn Park No. 841	50.00
Lessing No. 557	. 10.00	Park No. 843	10.00
Trinity No. 562		Bluffs No. 846	5.00
Gardner No. 573		Austin No. 850	
Dongola No. 581	. 5.00	Gothic No. 852	20.00
Fisher No. 585		West Gate No. 856	5.00
Watson No. 602	. 5.00	Utica No. 858	5.00†

Lodge.	Amount.	Lodge.	Amount.
Lincoln Park No. 611	25.00	Sorento No. 861	00.1
Norton No. 631	5.00	St. Andrew's No. 863	10.00
E. F. W. Ellis No. 633	3 10.00	Maywood No. 869	15.00
Rochester No. 635	5.00	William McKinley No	. 876. 10.00
Peotone No. 636	3.00	Granite City No. 877	5.00
Keystone No. 639	10.00	Equity No. 878	20.00
Greenview No. 653	5.00	Composite No. 879	
Lambert No. 659	10.00	Des Plaines No. 890.	5.00
Mayo No. 664	5.00	Constellation No. 89.	2 10.00†
Waldeck No. 674	10.00†	Ancient Craft No. 90	7 25.00
Pawnee No. 675	10.00	Hull No. 910	2.00*
A. O. Fay No. 676	10.00	Aaron No. 913	10.00
Illinois City No. 679	5.00 [†]	Elwood Nò. 919	10.00
Morrisonville No. 681.	10.00*	Compass No. 922	10.00
Burnside No. 683	10.00	Joseph Robbins No.	930 10.00
Galatia No. 684	10.00	Elmhurst No. 941	5.00†
Orangeville No. 687	5.00	Bohemia No. 943	10.00
Hutton No. 698	10.00 i	John Corson Smith N	0. 944 10.00
Pleasant Plains No. 70	*00	Cicero No. 955	5.00
Braidwood No. 704	25.00	Prospect No. 957	5.00
Calumet No. 716	10.00	Prudence, U.D	25.00
Arcana No. 717	50.00		
Eldorado No. 730	10.00	Total	\$1,784.00
Total receipts			
Total receipts			φ2,224.00

DISBURSED.

73.32
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112.74
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56.25

May 5, 1913, to Mrs. Gertrude Gardner for subscriptions		
to periodicals (Sullivan)	71.00	
laid (LaGrange)	77.00	
May 10, 1913, to A. C. McClurg & Co. for books (La-		
Grange)	14.53	
June 11, 1913, to Eaton Chair Co. for 36 chairs (La-	60	
Grange) June 11, 1913, to Hobbs & Sutphen, for pictures and	60.48	
frames (LaGrange)	33.10	
June 11, 1913, to Waterbury Clock Co. for one clock (La-		
Grange)	10.00	
June 11, 1913, to A. C. McClurg & Co. for books and globe		
(Sullivan)	125.92	
books (Sullivan)	1.71	
June 11, 1913, to Chicago and West Suburban Express Co.		
for cartage and freight (Sullivan)	5.00	
July 5, 1913, to A. C. McClurg & Co., for books and	17.02	
freight (Sullivan)	17.93	
July 14, 1913, to bank for exchange	.15	
and rods (LaGrange)	5.12	
October 11, 1913, to Schram Bros. Co. for book cases (Sul-		
livan)		
Total disbursed		879.08
Cash balance this date	\$	1,344,02

Fraternally submitted,

CHAS. E. BASSETT,
SAMUEL M. FRANKLAND,
ROY K. WHEELER,
Committee on Libraries for Masonic Homes.

It was adopted.

RESOLUTION.

Bro. Roy K. Wheeler presented the following resolution. It was referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

Whereas, The Masonic Homes of Illinois must of necessity be so located as to be not readily accessible to the brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction; therefore be it

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge direct the Grand Secretary to prepare a suitable picture of the Illinois Masonic Home building and of the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home building and that a copy of each picture be sent to every constituent lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction; that a sufficient sum of money be appropriated out of the general fund to pay the cost of providing said pictures.

INTRODUCTION.

The Grand Master called Bro. Josiah M. Hannum, Supt. of the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home, to the Grand East, and introduced him to the brethren.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

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:

Henry T. Burnap, M.W. Grand Master. Ralph H. Wheeler, R.W. Deputy Grand Master. Austin H. Scrogin, R.W. Senior Grand Warden. Dan. G. Fitzgerrell, R.W. Junior Grand Warden. Leroy A. Goddard, R.W. Grand Treasurer. Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Secretary.

CALLED OFF.

At 1:10 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 15, A. D. 1913, A. L. 5913 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 the preceding day.

Prayer was offered by the Grand Chaplain.

The minutes of Tuesday's session were read and approved.

REPORT-Committee on Jurisprudence.

M.W. Bro. M. C. Crawford, Chairman, presented the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence. On motion it was adopted.

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

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence is of the following opinion upon:

Is it proper to place upon the altar a copy of the New Testament and obligate candidates thereon?

Your Committee on Jurisprudence answers: No. Masons are obligated on the Holy Bible, which is composed of the Old and New Testament, and on no other book.

Can a lodge appropriate funds from its treasury to maintain a base-ball club composed of members of the lodge?

Your Committee on Jurisprudence answers: No, as it would be unmasonic for a lodge to appropriate funds from its treasury for any such purpose.

Is it proper for a masonic lodge to hold a picnic on Sunday at which a program of various games and athletic sports is carried out?

Your Committee on Jurisprudence answers: No, as it would be entirely improper in the opinion of your Committee for a lodge to hold a picnic on Sunday at which a program of games and athletic sports of any kind is carried out.

What procedure is necessary for a brother who has changed his name to have it altered upon the records of the lodge?

Your Committee on Jurisprudence is of the opinion that the only thing necessary for a brother to do under such circumstances is to furnish the lodge with a certified copy of the order of court changing his name.

Is it permissible to hold dances in a masonic lodge room to which non-Masons are invited?

Your Committee on Jurisprudence answers: No. Masonic lodge halls cannot be used for dancing purposes at any time.

Can a member of a lodge object to the visitation of an honorary member of the lodge and will such objection be valid?

Your Committee on Jurisprudence answers: Yes. (See Section 4, Article 10, Part Second, Grand Lodge By-Laws.)

Is it necessary for one who has signed a petition for a dispensation to form a new lodge to join in the petition for charter?

Your Committee on Jurisprudence answers: No. (See Sections 16-17 and 18, Article 23, Part Two, Grand Lodge By-Laws.)

A man petitions a lodge for the degrees, and the petition is received by the lodge. Before the ballot is taken he removes permanently from the jurisdiction of the lodge. What action should be taken on his petition?

Your Committee on Jurisprudence answers: That the petition should be balloted on by the lodge. (See Section 18, Article 13, Part Two, Grand Lodge By-Laws.)

OUR HOMES.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence heartily approves the sentiments expressed by the Grand Master in his address relative to our homes and recommend that the Board of Trustees for said Homes be directed by the Grand Lodge to formulate a rule that no brother of a masonic lodge shall be admitted to a Masonic Home unless he shall have been a member in good standing for at least three years prior to making the application for admission.

CORNER-STONES.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence have read very carefully what the Grand Master says in his address on this subject. We are of the opinion

that no Grand Master ever has, or ever will, abuse the power vested in him, and that each Grand Master has the authority to decide for himself as each case presents itself.

UNIFORM FEES IN CHICAGO LODGES.

Upon the question of charging a minimum fee of \$75 for the degrees in the city of Chicago, your Committee on Jurisprudence agrees in the view of the Grand Master that such action is advisable.

Organizations within Lodges.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence recommend that all organizations within the lodge be forbidden in accordance with the recommendation of the Grand Master, except such as are organized for purely charitable purposes.

MASONIC BEGGING.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence agrees with the views of the Grand Master, that all begging, or soliciting donations, contributions, the purchase of tickets for fairs, parties, dances, contests, etc., as well as advertising in tickets, bulletins and programs by lodges should be strictly forbidden.

Lodge Interference.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence emphatically commend the views of the Grand Master on this subject. No organization like ours could ever be a coherent force for good in the world unless it consents to be guided by certain rules and regulations and no rules and regulations are of any value unless someone is clothed with authority to enforce them.

IN THE MATTER OF BRO. GEORGE AXEL RYDHOLM.

The brother requests that the spelling of his name be changed on the records of the Grand Lodge from that of George Axel Rydholm to George A. Ridehome. Your Committee on Jurisprudence is of the opinion that the Grand Lodge has no power to change the name of any man. If the brother wishes his name changed, he must proceed under the Statutes of Illinois, and have it changed by an order of court, then furnishing his lodge with a certified copy of the order of court, the lodge will change his name in accordance with the order of court, and on the lodge's report to the Grand Lodge, his name will be changed on the records of the Grand Lodge.

SHADY ENTERTAINMENTS.

We sincerely commend the Grand Master for his earnest endeavors to make Masonry in Illinois a living moral force in the world. Any conduct on the part of a masonic gathering which is inconsistent with the best traditions and highest ideals of the fraternity should receive the prompt and certain punishment which such conduct deserves, and your Committee on Jurisprudence is of the opinion that the Grand Master is clothed with the necessary authority to enforce obedience on the refractory and perverse.

Correspondence.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence cordially approve the sentiments of the Grand Master on this matter as expressed in his address.

LIMIT OF EXPENSES.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence recommend that the limit of expense by any lodge in Illinois on behalf of a lodge of some other jurisdiction, in connection with the sickness, or death of a member of such foreign lodge, shall be limited to the sum of \$100, unless specific instructions have been given for a larger sum.

BEGGING CIRCULARS.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence heartily endorse the views of the Grand Master on this subject.

UNIFORM RECEIPTS.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence recommend that no change whatever be permitted in the form of receipt for dues as established by the Grand Lodge.

MASONIC PUBLICITY.

On the subject of Masonic Publicity, the Grand Master in his address has spoken very wisely, and it will be to the advantage of the craft that his advice be heeded as well by the brethren as by the constituent lodges, and your Committee on Jurisprudence heartily endorses all that he has said on the subject.

DISPENSATIONS.

As to the suggestion of the Grand Master that our law should be modified to permit a lodge whose stated meeting falls on a legal holiday, to waive same without the necessity of applying to the Grand Master for a dispensation for that purpose, your Committee on Jurisprudence is of the opinion that a lodge may legally provide for the contingency in its own by-laws. (See Section 1, Article 3, Part Two, Grand Lodge By-Laws.)

While we have no doubt of the power of the Grand Master to grant a dispensation to re-ballot on the petition of a rejected candidate, we believe that the experience of the Grand Master, as related in his address, proves that such power should seldom be exercised, and that it is safer to discourage petitions for such dispensations, and to allow a re-ballot, only

when the member, or members, who voted in the negative by mistake, or misapprehension, shall voluntarily announce it in open lodge, as provided in Section 3, Article 15, Part Two, Grand Lodge By-Laws.

The brother who uses a black ball, ought never, in our opinion, to be subjected to the alternative of disclosing the nature of his ballot, by refusing to join in an untrue statement of facts, or of joining therein, to avoid such disclosure.

IN THE MATTER OF BRO. H. D. GOODMAN.

Bro. H. D. Goodman, who thinking he was joining a lodge of Masons, deposited his dimit in a clandestine lodge. Your Committee on Jurisprudence respectfully reports that the proper procedure is to apply to the lodge that granted him the dimit for a duplicate copy of the same, which he can use with his petition in applying for membership in a regular lodge.

IN THE MATTER OF BRO. S. W. BOWERS.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence report that under the by-laws of the Grand Lodge, the secretary of a lodge, U.D., is required to close his books on the first day of September, and the lodge cannot have a meeting, or do business after that date. This brother, S. W. Bowers, did not make application to withdraw his name from the petition for a charter until the 16th day of September, therefore his name could not be erased from the petition for a charter because his application came too late.

CLANDESTINE LODGES.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence have read carefully what the Grand Master says in his address on the subject of Clandestine Lodges, and we heartily approve of the views as therein expressed.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

Monroe C. Crawford, Wm. B. Wright, C. E. Allen, A. M. Hallewell, Alfred A. Norton,

Committee.

REPORT-Committee on Lodges U.D.

Bro. R. F. Locke, 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 respectfully report that there have been presented to us for consideration the dispensations and returns of ten lodges which have been working under dispensation since the last annual session of this Grand Lodge, and as a result of our labors we present the following report:

PRUDENCE LODGE, U.D., Chicago, Cook county, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge October 19, 1912, by Most Worshipful Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted October 24, 1913, by the R.W. Bro. Maxwell Levy, acting District Deputy Grand Master for the First District. The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	104
Number elected	87
Number rejected	16
Number not acted upon	
Number initiated	65
Number passed	59
Number raised	58
Number named in dispensation	50
Number named in dispensation not signing petition	
for charter	
Number signing petition for charter	104

Whose names are as follows:

Otto Shatzkis, Jacob Bonnem, Leopold A. Swartz, Leo Gottlieb, Edward Pokorny, Morris Marx, Jacob Hirsch, Nathaniel Schooler, Alvin Moses, Isaac S. Rose, Samuel H. Fenchel, Louis Zahler, Hugo Marcus, B. L. Shapiro, Robert W. Jacoby, Ignatius Bond, Joseph Austerlitz, John H. Rich, Louis Zeidman, Rudolph Kohn, Samuel Lindy, Jacob Bernstein, Herman Spielberger, George Glasser, Joseph Weiss, Morris Wetterhahn, Herman Heimann, Samuel Veit, Julius B. Rubenstein, Abraham F. Lewis, Jacob Shield, Samuel Litz, Samuel Milton Langendorf, Samuel Fischkin, Louis Anderson, Jos. Herman, Joseph S. Soll, Samuel Lowitz, Jacob Solomon, Julius David Marks, Morris Kerstein, Simon Malina, Meyer Isaac Morwitz, Edgar Poe Silverman, Benjamin H. Bernstein, Louis Levy, Nathan Aronson, Herman F. Phillips, Moses Block, O. J. Salinger, Sam L. LeBosky, Abe Kerr, Solomon Samuel Mendelowitz, Ben Meyers, Louis Bernard Desser, Abraham Lincoln Desser, Philip Henry Goldstein, John M. Krein, Ignatz Goldberger, Bernhard Stenge, Roland Goldstine, Julius Jake Zahler, William Joseph Liederman, Abraham Simmons, Henry Steiner, William Sultan, Arthur Wilkus, Benjamin Bosley, William John Evea, Joseph Boosel, Aage Louis Sulger, L. Ernest Malkin, Emil Selten, Samuel Willard Kalın, Siegfrid Tauber, Harry Rosenthal, Albert W. Bauer, Paul Abrahamson, Jacob Fenchel, Harry Cohen, William Anderson, Jacob Lewis Crains, David Frenkel, Morris Brownstein, William Arthur Morrison, Sebastian Ruby, Joseph Winkler, Abraham Herkowitz, Henry Dinkelman, Jacob Morris Sandack, William Becker, Joseph Friedman, Edward Strauss, Maurice S. Schoenbrod, Hans Marcus, George E. Lurie, Emanuel J. Goodman, Herman Voss, Milton D. Schwartz, Nathan William Jaffey, Louis Phillips, William Vogel, Samuel I. Frank, Maurice Tauber.

We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Prudence Lodge No. 958.

WARRENSBURG LODGE, U.D., Warrensburg, Macon county, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge November 21, 1912, by Most Worshipful Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted December 6, 1912, by the R.W. Bro. A. T. Summers, District Deputy Grand Master of the Twenty-ninth District. The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	13
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Number elected	12
Number rejected	1
Number not acted on	0
Number initiated	9
Number passed	9
Number raised	8
Number named in dispensation	20
Number named in dispensation not signing petition	
for charter	0
Number signing petition for charter	28

Whose names are as follows:

Ralph F. Bear, William A. Melton Jr., Victor Dewein, Amos Brown, Joseph Brown, Richard S. Brown, John R. Willard, Ernest C. Haskell. Fred E. Schroeder, William R. Schroeder, William Warren Richmond, Charles A. Dresbach, Joseph E. Hursh, George E. Hawkyard, Clifford L. Keister, Charles H. Faith, Frank E. Binkley, Joseph T. Tucker, Gilbert C. Hastings, Frederick M. VanKoughnet, Louis G. Schenert, Arthur Forest Schrear, Orando Smith Grinell, Henry A. Shettel, David F. Bear, Wesley W. Wilson, James M. Eyman, Brice J. Bear.

We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Warrensburg Lodge No. 959.

Algonquin Lodge, U.D., Algonquin, McHenry county, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge December 7, 1912, by the Most Worshipful Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted December 10, 1912, by the R.W. Bro. C. J. Wightman, District

Deputy Grand Master for the Eighth District. The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	IO
Number elected	6
Number rejected	4
Number not acted upon	0
Number initiated	5
Number passed	5
Number raised	5
Number named in dispensation	28
Number named in dispensation not signing petition for	
charter	
Number signing petition for charter	33

Whose names are as follows:

George Edwin Bailey, Louis Joseph Lehky, Willis Tuthill Peter, Benjamin Charles Getzelman, William Lewis Krueger, Charles Nelson Van-Dyne, Ferdinand E. Lowell, Robert Ebenezer Haeger, John Peter, James Edward McKay, Albert Chancy Taylor, Charles Humphrey, Joseph James Panek Jr., Fred William Estergren, Thomas Smith, Charles Champlin Lobeck, William Edward Nason, George Herbert Helm, Frank Joseph Maha, William Abbot Nason, George Dewitt Keyes, Joseph Fred Johnsen, John Richard Heidinger, Charles VanderAue, Edward Claude Peter, Henry Fred Diercks, Henry Charley Schuknecht, Michael Congdon Griffin, Elmer Adrian Ford, Clark W. Robb.

We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Algonquin Lodge No. 960.

Federal Lodge, U.D., Chicago, Cook county, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for the lodge March 21, 1913, by Most Worshipful Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted April 4, 1913, by the R.W. Bro. H. W. Harvey, District Deputy Grand Master for the Second District. The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	20
Number elected	20
Number rejected	O
Number not acted on	O
Number initiated	20
Number passed	18
Number raised	18
Number named in dispensation	38
Number named in dispensation not signing petition for	
charter	0
Number signing petition for charter	56

Whose names are as follows:

Arthur Wm. Ed. Hooper, Herbert E. Paaren, Frank J. Perkins, Henry O. Browning, Erle R. Flesher, Irvin J. Boyer, Herman Rath, James F. Philippi, Chas. J. Maronde, Walter R. Arthur, Richard M. Knox, Lawrence N. Brodene, Chas. G. Ward, Guy Smith, Frank E. Wilcocks, Chester B. DuVal, Edward R. DuVal, Andrew H. Whalen, James Rea, Luda B. McNamee, Clare Lee Vroman, Percival G. Baldwin, William M. Joyce, Bruno A. Bolz, George H. Moss Jr., Lemuel Lee Coates, John W. DuVal, Chas. M. Mickelberry, Erle A. Burton, Alex. C. James, Alfred Hockstra, Hugh S. Wakefield, Thomas A. Bairnson, Harvey E. Nighthart, Samuel Howard Van Artsdale, Chas. L. Reynolds, Edward C. Wallenberg, Peter Jensen, Douglas Butler, Wm. N. Noble, George Philip Lyle Omott, John Halcrow, Jr., Jay Henry Hague, Ira Bennett Bartley, Edward Morris Edgerton, Herbert George Carpenter, George A. Bairnson, John Wm. Luther, Julius Anton Appel, Oscar Andrew Ohman, Henry Chauncy Cheesman, Ralph M. Sowersby, Chas. John Johnson, Andrew B. Driver, Hugo H. Hahn, Wm. Harvey Faulkner.

We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Federal Lodge No. 961.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN LODGE, U.D., Chicago, Cook county, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge December 23, 1912, by Most Worshipful Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted January 11, 1913, by the R.W. Bro. E. C. Tillotson, District Deputy Grand Master of the Seventh District. The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received 207
Number elected 152
Number rejected
Number not acted on
Number initiated 104
Number passed 87
Number raised 80
Number named in dispensation
Number named in dispensation not signing petition for
charter 4
Number signing petition for charter 104

Whose names are as follows:

H. W. Boos, Myron P. Graham, William P. Ritchie, Walter H. Creutzburg, Clarence A. Baker, George W. Roarty, Arthur R. Johnson, J. J. Reedy, Arthur W. Pfingston, Richard Rhodes, Robert S. Collier, Frank McCague, John W. Benton, Thorkill C. Nelson, Walter G. Herbster, Guy Williams, Torval Nelson, James Graham, Fred J. Drakeman, Harry A.

Baldwin, Harry T. Langdon, Gustave W. Thorson, Fred K. Damrow, Max H. Boysen, George John Ludwig Mohring, Reinhold Fischer, George Lewis Bryson, Edward Philip Roarty, Frederick James Garner, Arichbald James Lane, Ira August William Schmidt, Jacob Lewis Klein, Harry Timson Flagler, Arthur David Martin, Michael James Walsh, James Vogt, Edward Christien Peterson, Wenzel James Silhan, Albert Augustus Warner, George Benjamin Haberer, Albert John Haberer, George August Mueller, William Osborn McLaughlin, Roland Albie Sperry, Golie Robert Bronson, Chas. William Bahr, Raymond Chester Ebinger, Conrad Emanuel Magnuson, Ole Jacobsen, Arthur Clyde Trask, William F. Wollwage, Hugh William Jones, Theodore Charles Riebe, Richard Henry Rieger, Peter Charles Lawrence, Otto Ernest Schaar, Ernest Jerome Van Sickel, Fred William Henry Bockelman, Leslie Brown Hanson, Frederick Peter Wilhelm, Lyle Swan Ingeman, George Frederick Butenshen, John Julius Frey, Richard Samuel Magnuson, Alvin George Helwig, Hugh McMillan Murray, Harry Ward Cooper, George Edward Larson, Robert Frederick Kenning, Raymond Alexis Higham, Charles Gustav Galitz, Otto Ehlers, Daniel John Imbs, Fred Julius Mueller, James Peter Stitt, Chris Fred Puenner, Jr., Rov Albert Holm, Arthur William Dreutz, James John Bornhocft, William Henry Gehrke, George Edward Drakeman, Arthur Theodore Linderman, Arthur Edward Hallstrom, Andrew Rasmussen, Alex. Carl Sandberg, Peter Petersen, Frank W. Bendler, John Greer, Cyrus Richard Chapman, Gust. Theodore Olson, Robert Ligget Eckels, John Heber McDougal, John Geib, Jr., Robert George Crombie Boa, Howard Wilbur Chamberlain, Gordon Obed Dickinson, Charles I. Cobb, Reinart Frank Allexan, Joseph Makinson, William Steiff, William H. Calkins, Fred Thomas Larson, Edwin Paul Hedrich, Harry Eldridge Sotan.

We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Benjamin Franklin Lodge No. 962.

Broughton Lodge, U.D., Broughton, Hamilton county, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge April 9, 1913, by Most Worshipful Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted April 17, 1913, by the R.W. Bro. R. C. Davenport, District Deputy Grand Master for the Forty-seventh District. The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	6
Number elected	5
Number rejected	1
Number not acted on	0
Number initiated	5
Number passed	4
Number raised	4

Number named in dispensation	20
Number named in dispensation not signing petition for	
charter	2
Number signing petition for charter	22

Whose names are as follows:

John Irvin, Leroy Summers, John S. Organ, Harley Med Carlisle, John T. Lemay, Samuel B. Allen, Inman I. Hall, James L. Garrett, Harry O. Hughes, Edward Gholson, Whitson W. Daily, Joseph D. Mathias, Nelson Barker, James Hardesty, Martin Edward Jones, John A. Johnson, Joseph O. Brown, Joseph C. Jones, Henry S. Williams, John Willis Allen, Earl Adam Wilhelm, Arthur Benjamin Coleman.

We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Broughton Lodge No. 963.

MAPLEWOOD LODGE, U.D., Chicago, Cook county, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge May 17, 1913, by Most Worshipful Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted May 26, 1913, by the R.W. Bro. Harry A. Dever, District Deputy Grand Master for the Third District. The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	62
Number elected	50
Number rejected	6
Number not acted on	6
Number initiated	48
Number passed	33
Number raised	31
Number named in dispensation	24
Number named in dispensation not signing petition for	
charter	
Number signing petition for charter	53

Whose names are as follows:

William Melville Hurin, Melville Henry Leighton, Edward J. Goodsell, Jens Madsen Beck, Philip Jacob Boller, John Bronson, Oscar Otto Ehlers, Lee Earl Eiser, James Greer, George Austin Hinkley, Anthony Jult Jackson, Charles W. Kaiser, Herbert Ray Merrick, Simon Norman, Oscar C. Orneas, Charles John Peterson, Wilfred J. Papin, Robert R. Schoelzel, Anthony William Senz, John Edward Stake, Wyman Edgar Warren, Arthur Christian Zwengel.

We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Maplewood Lodge No. 964.

CISCO LODGE, U.D., Cisco, Piatt county, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge July 1, 1913, by Most Worshipful Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted July 1, 1913, by the R.W. Bro. Wilson P. Jones, District Deputy Grand Master for the Twenty-eighth District. The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	4
Number elected	4
Number rejected	0
Number not acted on	O
Number initiated	3
Number passed	I
Number raised	1
Number named in dispensation	20
Number named in dispensation not signing petition for	
charter	0
Number signing petition for charter	21

Whose names are as follows:

W. Reed Barnhart, Jesse O. Weddle, Chas. Doane, William H. Davis, Charles L. Croninger, Emanuel F. Coffman, Paul T. Graves, James Bruce Rinehart, Brinsley C. Graves, Winfield Scott Armsworth, Elmer Johnson Clow, John Reardon, Frederick E. Shaff, Freeman Clow, Elmer E. Dallas, Edward Ater, Harold B. McKinney, Morrell Pattengill, Thomas Mintun, Fletcher E. Irwin, Jonathan D. Staats.

We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Cisco Lodge No. 965.

EXEMPLAR LODGE, U.D., Chicago, Cook county, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge July 15, 1913, by Most Worshipful Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted July 18, 1913, by the R.W. Bro. T. M. Avery, District Deputy Grand Master for the Fourth District. The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	3
Number elected	2
Number rejected	O
Number not acted on	I
Number initiated	I
Number passed	I
Number raised	
Number named in dispensation	182
Number named in dispensation not signing petition for	
charter	5
Number signing petition for charter	178

Whose names are as follows:

Elmer Ellsworth Beach, Elton Clyde Armitage, Charles Walinger, Alexander B. Dryburgh, Frank Rumsey Jennings, George Stephenson Palmer, William Martin Gilson, Peter Edward Powers, Andrew Jackson Mead, Roscoe Crum Clark, William Frederick Charles Schulz, Will Raymond Neff, Birdsil Edwin Blanchard, Samuel Simmons David, Arthur Patton Van Schaick, Charles Herman Schumacher, George Thomson Mason, Otto Karl Gruenenwald, Luda Bertrand McNamee, Chas. Ebner, Frank Hall Stephens, Arthur William Magill, Julius Adolphus Swingle, Arthur Howard Davis, Myron Maurice Marsh, Gordon Lewis Aston, Edward Graham Storms, Francis Marion Cruikshank, Malcolm Carrington, Silvester Schiele, Charles Olcott Poor, Oliver Frank Roberts, Wm. Louis Bowers, Theodore Henderson Goodnow, Judson Denis McCarthy, William Miller, Charles Weldon Gregory, Stanley Wheeler Midgley, Jay Gould McCarthy, Frank Webb Graves, Ellsworth Anson Taylor, John Brickle Johnson, Rudolph Walther Nelson, Edward German Davis. Thomas Ross, William Arkell Withers, Harold Godfrey Peterson, Frank George Heilman, Thomas Francis Troy, Lee Addison Spindle, Reginald Bertram Ford, Lawrence Augustine Murphy, Geo. Landis Wilson, Josiah Bonney Stidger, Albert Field Young, Frank Benjamin Todd, John Bernard Lawrence, George Gary Place, Charles Alonzo Barker, Louis Ray Christie, Andrew Ulrick Leonard Magnuson, Paul William Fischer, John Richard Enlund, Wm. McConnell, Harry Herman Haynie, Wolfram von Obstfelder, Fred William Reinhardt, Robert Maben Todd, Walter Lester Anderson, James Arthur Martin, Richard Andrew Tyree, Thomas Emory Newcomer, Arthur Fred Shaw, Elbert Noble Manning, Francis Berniere Laramie, Bert Byron Barry, James Edgar Grassie, Charles Benjamin Coates, George Hull Porter, Gilbert Cowan, Harold Hawthorne Hayes, Charles William Kelly, William Earl Marquam, James Dill Melville, William Thadeus Stevens Martin, Charles Huntoon Fiske, Edward Wing Houser, Clarence Henry Struble, William Fred Traub, A. Milne Ramsey, Edgar Sands Van Sant, Charles William Weisz, Charles Aaron Roberts, John Ball, Harrison Bancroft Butterfield, Harry Morris Sloan, William Edgar Brimstin, Thomas Jennings Rider, Jr., Roy E. Davis, Harry Lyman Ruggles, William George Carmichael, Robert Cribben Robinson, Alfred Levi Millard, Harry Allen Porter, Zenas Zella Jackson, aVlentine Harrison Surghnor, Frank Lamar Howell, Charles Philip Holland, Frank Harrison Penny, Frank Wesley Carson, Adolph Carl Andersen, Chas. F. Fishback, Mathias Edward Weber, Eugene David Kingsland, Charles Schneider, Ludwig F. Baechle, Charles William Kolm, Samuel Walker Bowers, Chester M. Houston, David Gage Doty, Ralph Richard Shay, Frank Jay Weisgerber, William J. Gillingham, Jr., William Robert Cardy, Dr. J. Clinton Grant, Elmo Hale Zugschwert, William Joseph Ratledge, Edward Ostrand. William Francis Bennett, John Sheville Capper, George Caswell Knight, Harry Glenn Wallace, Frank Joseph Waldron, Daniel Walter Gee, Emmett Loehr Murphy, Joe Charles Fuller, William Gaston Aller, Charles Elmer White, Jr., Roy Harmon Shup, Edward William Lloyd, Walter Lee Hendricks, Albert MacRae, Robert John McLaughlin, Geo. Hodel, August F. Gardner, Harry Edward Wing, Edgar Solyman Bell, Dudley Augustus Bonitz, Thomas Lavelle Thienes, Jule F. Brower, William Nelson Green, Alfred Angelo Packer, Otto von Rautenkranz, Jr., Frank M. Gordon, Arthur M. Rutledge, George Mauritz Elworth, Maurice Lloyd Caten, John Foster Gilchrist, Geo. Fred'k Paul, Jesse Lyman Oxley, Charles Horton Crysler, Percy J. Ford, John Lawson, Sherman S. Chapell, Wm. G. Uffendell, Fred M. Dickhaut, Andrew McIlwrath, John I. Kaufman, J. Andrew Pugh, David D. King, William Francis McLaughlin, Owen H. Brewer, Frank K. Clark, Charles Grede, Albert Roullier, E. C. Racey, Raymond W. Beach, Robert R. Pegram.

We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Exemplar Lodge No. 966.

Dahlgren Lodge, U.D., Dahlgren, Hamilton county, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge April 26, 1913, by Most Worshipful Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted May 12, 1913, by the R.W. Bro. R. C. Davenport, District Deputy Grand Master for the Forty-seventh District. The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	5	
Number elected	3	
Number rejected	2	
Number not acted on	0	
Number initiated	3	
Number passed	2	
Number raised	0	
Number named in dispensation	20	

Having failed to conform to the requirements of Sec. 9, Article 23, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws, we recommend that the dispensation of these brethren be continued until the next session of the Grand Lodge.

The following is a recapitulation of the work done in all Lodges, U.D., for which your Committee recommend that charters be granted:

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Total	number	petitions received 42	29
Total	number	elected 38	38
Total	number	rejected	56
Total	number	not acted on	35
Total	number	initiated 20	50
Total	number	passed 2	18
Total	number	raised 20	06

Total	number	named	in	Dispensation	410
Total	number	named i	n	Dispensation not signing petition for charter	17
Total	number	signing	P	etition for charter	599

PROPOSED LODGE AT EAST MOLINE, ROCK ISLAND COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

The facts in reference to this matter are fully set forth in the M.W. Grand Master's Address and need not be here repeated. Your Committee has given careful consideration to the arguments presented by the petitioning brethren and by the objecting lodge. We are of the opinion that a new lodge at East Moline will work for the best interests of Masonry and that its establishment will cause no injury to Silvis Lodge. We therefore recommend that a dispensation be issued by the M.W. Grand Master for the organization of a lodge at East Moline as prayed for in the petition.

PROPOSED LODGE AT St. JOSEPH, CHAMPAIGN COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

The petition for a lodge at St. Joseph is signed by forty-three brethren residing in that village, thirty of whom are members of Ogden Lodge No. 754 of Ogden. The three nearest lodges are Ogden No. 754, Sidney No. 347, and Homer No. 199. Sidney and Homer Lodges have consented to the organization of a lodge at St. Joseph but Ogden Lodge has refused by a vote of 28 to 44 to give its consent. We have given careful consideration to the arguments presented by the St. Joseph brethren, no one appearing before your committee in behalf of the protesting lodge. The M.W. Grand Master and the commission appointed to inquire into the advisability of the establishment of this proposed lodge strongly recommend the issuance of the dispensation as prayed for in the petition, in which recommendations your committee concurs.

Each lodge which has been working under dispensation during the past year has been visited by one or more members of this committee. We have met the officers and brethren of these lodges face to face. We have not been compelled to grant or to deny a charter to any lodge solely from the records as prepared by the secretary as was necessary in previous years. By the plan which was adopted at the last session of the Grand Lodge we have been enabled to secure a more intimate knowledge than could be obtained by the old methods. We recommend the continuance of the plan which was adopted at the last session of the Grand Lodge which is the plan recommended by the Grand Master in his address.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

RICHARD F. LOCKE, JOHN JOHNSTON, H. A. SNELL, E. J. MERKI, ALBERT JAMPOLIS,

Committee.

REPORT—Committee on Appeals and Grievances.

Bro. Joseph E. Dyas, Chairman, presented the report of this committee. It was adopted.

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

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances fraternally report as follows:

No. L

Kenwood Lodge No. 800

vs.

Your committee recommend that the action of the lodge be set aside. That the accused be found guilty and that the penalty be fixed at suspension from all the rights and privileges of Masonry for the period of one year.

No. 2.

Kenwood Lodge No. 800

vs.

Your committee recommend that the action of the lodge be set aside and that the accused be found guilty as charged and that he be expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

No. 3.

AUBURN PARK LODGE No. 709

vs.

Your committee recommend that the action of Auburn Park Lodge in finding the accused not guilty be set aside; that the accused be declared guilty, and that the punishment of reprimand be administered by the D.D. G.M. of the Seventh District at such time as may be fixed upon by that officer.

No. 4.

Compass Lodge No. 922

vs.

Your committee recommend that the action of the lodge be set aside and that the accused be suspended indefinitely from all the rights and privileges of Masonry. No. 5.

Hampshire Lodge No. 443

US.

Your committee recommend that the action of the lodge be set aside and the accused be restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry and to membership in said lodge.

No. 6.

RISING SUN LODGE No. 115

vs.

Your committee are of the opinion that the degree of punishment is inadequate, and would recommend that the action of the lodge be sustained as to guilt but be set aside as to penalty; that the accused be indefinitely suspended from all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

No. 7.

Justice Lodge No. 949

vs.

Your committee believe that there was nothing shown in this case warranting the preferring of the charges or subjecting the accused to the ordeal of a masonic trial, and recommend that the action of the lodge in finding him not guilty be sustained.

No. 8.

ROME LODGE No. 721

US.

No reason having been assigned for disturbing the action of the lodge either as to guilt of accused or punishment afflicted, your committee recommend that the action of the lodge be sustained.

No. 9.

Oregon Lodge No. 420

vs

We recommend that the decision of the lodge in finding the defendant guilty be approved, but that the decision as to penalty be not approved; and that instead thereof the penalty shall be indefinite suspension from all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

No. 10.

LOVINGTON LODGE No. 228

Your committee is of the opinion that under the evidence in the case Lovington Lodge could not have reached any other conclusion consistent with justice than that at which they arrived, in finding the defendant not guilty; your committee recommend that the action of the lodge be sustained.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Jos. E. Dyas, Geo. R. Smith, H. H. Montgomery, A. W. West, John B. Fithian,

Committee.

ORATION.

The Grand Orator, Bro. Lawrence Y. Sherman, delivered the annual Oration.

To our ancient and illustrious fraternity, we return our greetings. To the members we extend our congratulations; our fraternity is a mighty instrument for good; this meeting is at a fitting time and place; the place is fitting because in this building so many of us have gathered in the days that are numbered with the past; here among us are brothers; here since this building was first devoted to this use, we are surrounded by men so well known to us; here has been dedicated our time and our efforts for the benefit of our fraternity. It is proper, too, in point of place that we are meeting in this city, typical at once of the growth, of the purpose, of the strength of the great middle west of this country—to the end that our beloved land is becoming typical of the best thought and action of our race; here on our broad acres and gathered within the limits of our states are the opportunities for all; here in this great Mississippi valley is the granary of the world; here are gathered the best type of all the races of the world; here in Chicago, from our viewpoint, we know no creed, no nationality; all are welcome to Chicago, to Illinois; here, then in that spirit we can gather in that liberalism that is peculiarly fit to exemplify the purpose of this great fraternity; it is fitting, too, in time as well as place. We have gathered in October, our members here are representative of our brethren; in October is the fruition, the maturity of the seasons; the burning sun of summer is gone, the changeful spring that in turn followed the winter when the snow lay upon the hills and when the vegetable kingdom slumbered in the bosom of mother earth—these three seasons have come in succession; in the last, when all is done for the season, our brethren have gathered here in this session. October is typical of all the products of the Infinite given us on earth. Our fraternity, too, is typical of the best product of organization, of fraternal love among men. It is so because it shows the developed work in our membership present here today, representing all that it does. There are three score and ten and youth in the field of service in our brotherhood; it represents both the past with its time fulfilled and the future, with its hopes, with its infinite possibilities. There is in this season emblematic of the best that Nature can give us, the landscape, the hills glowing in the distant haze, the foliage of the trees beginning to touch and tint under the brush of the Greatest Master in the world and the finished harvest that sustains us all. There is in this season the blending of the summer's sun and the cooling breath of winter typical of all good things in moderation of which our order is likewise an emblem.

There is in our order both conservatism and progress, both stability and change; the conservatism that holds fast to all that is good, the progress that reaches forward to the future and takes all that is needed in the changes of the years. Stability is one of the essentials of our fraternity, stability that is typical to the outside world with all its constant flux, with all its current flowing in the stream of human affairs, of the permanence of our craft. It is likewise emblematic of the change that comes in the progress of the future—comes when time has demonstrated the usefulness of change, when we have proved the old no longer answers our purpose—when tested by good judgment, by toleration, by the wisdom of our generation. Then we substitute the things of the new for the things of the old.

Our fraternity is tolerant. Toleration is one of the corner stones of our country. We draw no lines on race or creed. We do believe and make an indispensable request that there be an abiding faith and love in a just and wise Creator, of a power that makes possible our redemption from the frailties and evils incident to humanity. We see even from ancient times the toleration that has become the guide of modern days.

Let me read to you the spirit of toleration expressed in this country many years ago. I think it a proper text to be preserved in our records. I think it an example to abide with us. It came at a time when universal toleration in the old world or the new world, was not recognized as a safe principle under which men could live.

In January, 1655, Roger Williams wrote a letter to the town of Providence; he had been exiled from his friends; he had been cast out of the settlement; he had been driven into the wilderness, there to live or die among hostile Indians as chance decreed. His exile was caused by what seems to us a trifling variance in the creed of that day, not in the abiding goodness of the all-wise Creator, not in the belief in the Divinity of Christ,

but in the non-essential things that were in the Gospel and the civilization of that day. He wrote on the charge:

"That ever I should speak or write a title that tends to such an infinite liberty of conscience, is a mistake which I have ever disclaimed and abhorred. To prevent such mistakes I shall at present, only propose this case: There goes many a ship to sea with many hundred of souls in one ship, whose weal and woe is common, it is a true picture of a commonwealth, or a human combination, or society. It has fallen out sometimes that both papists and protestants, Jews and Turks may be embarked in one ship—"

He is now speaking of civil authority instituted among men, not of our fraternity, or bodies of similar nature, or purpose—

"Upon which supposal I affirm that all the liberty of conscience that I ever pleaded for, turns upon these two hinges, that of papist, protestant, Jew or Turk, be forced to come to the ship's prayers, or to worship, if they practice any. I further add that I never denied notwithstanding this liberty, that the commander of the ship ought to command the ship's course, yea, and also command that justice, peace and sobriety be kept and practiced both among the seamen and all the passengers. If any of the seamen refuse to perform their service, or passengers to pay their freight; if any refuse to help in person or purse towards the common charges, or defense; if any refuse to obey the common laws concerning their common peace or preservation; if any shall mutiny and rise against their commander and any officer, if any should preach or write that there ought to be no commanders or officers, because all are equal in Christ; therefore no master, nor officer, no laws, nor orders, no corrections, nor punishments, I say I have never denied, but in such cases, whatever is pretended, the commander, or commanders, may judge, resist, compel and punish such transgressors according to their deserts and merits. This is seriously and honestly minded, may if it so please the Father of Light to let in some light to such as willingly shut not their eyes."

That is not in the lifetime of any now living, it being nearly three hundred years since that letter was written in the quaint form it appears. There is in it the germ of universal toleration, subject to such wise restraints only as are contained in the text of the letter. It lays down a correct code for the administration of public affairs, and it applies to the rights of conscience throughout our country. It is well for us who can enter into the spirit of civilized society, to remember that this code is one of universal toleration. We have certain religious qualifications, indispensable to admit to membership, such as any institution might adopt. But for general society there is in the code of universal toleration, the only sound rule for lasting justice.

Our fraternity is one of the greatest solvents of miscellaneous citizenship there is in this country; there is such a miscellaneous population in our country—there are so many creeds, so many races; there is such universal liberty of thought and the widest measure of action; it is a republican form of government and reflects its people as they come and go from generation to generation. What a great responsibility it is! There can be no choice, or government of the people, unless the great body of the

people can exercise well their own self-control, because the control of ourselves precedes first the just control of others; from this there is no escape; no man is fit to represent or govern who cannot first rule himself. Solomon says: "Make no friend with an angry man;" it was because an anray man has lost his self-control, and is no longer to be classified with those who are safe to help control others.

So the fraternity becomes one of the greatest factors in exercising the manly virtues, the restraints and considerate care for others that make human society better from year to year. Every Mason must have that power of self control; however rigid the rules of the order may be, however severe the condemnation of those in authority; they alone are not sufficient to restrain; all the authorities can do is to mark out the lines of where we may go and where we may not. But after all, the brother must himself exercise that self control; there is the greatest incentive to do so for upon admission to the fraternity we become associated in this family with maturer years, and greater experience, not only in the affairs of the masonic lodge but in the transactions of the outside world; our environments are better, our toleration, our hopes and efforts may be higher and better thereby.

How little we know of absolute knowledge, in this world! How limited our senses are after all! How little demonstrated knowledge is our portion! What do we know about our life?—so little, after all! Life is at utmost a fragment of the great unknown, a period through which we rapidly pass bound for an unknown shore. Think of all the knowledge and usefulness of man. We hardly reach the summit of efficiency until our steps decline towards the universal end; step by step we climb the hill of the development of our powers; we make ourselves competent for whatever problems come to us in our lives, and by the time we reach the crown of the hill, we begin the downward travel to the end. The greatest men in the world perish like the most worthless in the world; they all pass to a common mortal state. The book of fate written by an invisible hand consigns all that is mortal to the common heritage of the dust; with all our wisdom of the centuries, birth, life and death are still unsolvable mystery; their solution is no nearer human understanding now than when the stars first gemmed the firmament to mock the limits of man's knowledge; the ripened wisdom of a thousand years gives no answer, no inner science written by the patient thought of man, answers; the sage stands mute and philosophy is silent at the sepulchers of the departed.

We talk of human knowledge, of all the centuries have garnered, of the illustrious records the learned ones of earth have left. Man charts the heavens that bend above him. He calculates the orbits of distant worlds. Celestial wanderers are identified, scheduled with a time card and christened with man-made names, and the vagrant comet appears on time, never early, never late. The skies are a part of God's chart of infinity and a rebuke to presumptuous man whose dogmas are but babbling words.

The laboratory filches from nature her hidden processes. The sign posts of the arts and sciences mark the highways of human effort; the electric code is written around the world in every tongue that falls from the lips of man; intelligence spurns the visible wire seen by mortal eyes and travels invisibly across the heavens: the human voice is borne a thousand miles, so that the accents of the prattling child may be heard, without the confusion or folly of Babel, now in part repaired by the wit of man. We are now daily served by devices that our ancestors, even since they came to these shores, would have denounced, because not understood, as infamous agencies, linked with the Prince of Darkness. If knowledge had been communicated to Europe by wireless telegraphy when Columbus had discovered America, or when the Puritans landed in Massachusetts, those who communicated in that way, would have been regarded in partnership with the devil and would have been burned as witches. That is because intolerance and ignorance would have been linked with the errors and prejudices of the human heart. The masonic fraternity is peculiarly wise upon this question. No record of persecution has left its bloody stain on our pages.

Dead languages have become the living instrument of knowledge of this day. Through them the centuries blaze with the scholar's patient research. To us comes the warning through vanished nations, from races whose domed and pillared capitols of empire, prostrate in the dust, proclaim that after all is done, nothing but truth and justice survive among men. Where the seats of the mighty in the palaces of ancient kings are forgotten, and their very language has perished from the earth, wolves now litter their young to teach us humility and a reverence for eternal things. How it humbles human pride to think of the dead that have perished from off the earth, that their very names are forgotten. And the great truths that come to us from Holy Writ are immortal and will be known in remote ages to our brethren; all such things will lead to reflection, and reflection precedes analysis and analysis is the beginning of understanding.

Today I think it is good for the masonic brotherhood to reflect that humility and simplicity mature human understanding. I speak not of wisdom, not of knowledge but of understanding. When God asked Solomon what gift he would have conferred on him, there being but one he could have, Solomon asked not for riches, nor power, nor learning, nor wisdom, nor knowledge; he asked for understanding; it was conferred upon him; he was found to be the wisest of ancient men; we read his proverbs. A young man, somewhat flippant and typical of his years or kind, when he was told that Solomon's proverbs embodied the wisdom of the human race, both of antiquity and today, said: Anybody can write proverbs of that kind, and the aged listener said: Sit down there and write a few. He

hasn't written any yet. It is safe to predict he will not; he must be much older, and much wiser to do so. To me it is strange that Solomon could so many centuries ago write to suit what is true today. Everyone of his maxims may be analyzed and admitted now. Solomon wrote in the ancient time. He thought not only for his time, but for the future; until in the very fullness of time, our Creator shall have re-created man's nature, all that Solomon said in criticism, and correction will be proved.

Patience and tolerance lead us to light and truth; so those who toil and think, who work with hand and mind and heart, have filled the world with better things.

The simplest form of life in its origin baffles the wisest and the best that man can know. No human hand, hastening to its kindred dust ever yet kindled the lowest pulsating spark of life. Man may take it, but he cannot recall or impart it; it is impenetrably sealed from his knowledge; here he stops helpless and impotent as the beast in the jungle; man's intellect here recoils, conscious he has reached his limitation. Mortality is denied the creation of life in any form. How comes it and whither does it go? No mortal knows. No man upon reflection can pass that limitation placed here. I once read a work of fiction, intended to illustrate this point. Frankenstein by constant investigation in the laboratory, by profound thought and experiment, discovered a method of creating a being in the form and similitude of a man; he succeeded admirably; he was a robust, physical specimen, exempt from disease and capable of withstanding the elements, and great physical hardship, but he had forgotten, or could not in the laboratory in his investigations, to instill in that attempted human being moral restraint, and so the moral faculties were wanting. It is a work of fiction, it is true, but it makes one's blood run cold, at times, to read it. It serves to blaze the limitations on mere human knowledge.

So these twin problems of every age are unsolved by the reason or the logic of man; all the lines etched in tears, the lonely vigils of sleepless nights, sorrows that come not singly but in battalions, one woe that doth tread upon another's heel, all the bitter experiences of humanity that winnow truth from falsehood, have added not an atom in all the ages to the demonstrated knowledge, we posesss on this subject.

Conjecture sometimes stills but never ends the inquiry. Analogy and deduction point the way to hope and end where the restless longing of humanity begins. The wise teach that palpable or material matter cannot be destroyed by man. Annihilation is a term invented to describe the impossible. Both it and the creation of the material are attributes of a power beyond the domain of man's naked understanding.

Even the pagan feels that mind inhabits the material body. Call it what one will there is an intangible, impalpable element in man greater

than and apart from his physical being. Palpable matter is indestructible. In the economy of universal nature why should what is greater cease on death and the lesser endure.

Our senses are finite. Them we may develop, but to them we cannot add. With them the first person was as well equipped as the last. The limits of human understanding will not be marked while the earth remains. But three score and ten years at last can do more than teach us that our mother's faith is better than the wise man's knowledge. By it alone we know the unseen and the spiritual. It only can bridge the gulf between man's finite senses and the infinite purposes of an all-wise God. In that faith a Mason lives. Wrapped in its mantle he vanishes from mortal eye. How transitory are the works of human hands! Go where the moldering trophies tell of the vanities of all human things; walk on earth's battlefields where the drum beats pulse the tide of war no more; muse where the world's great libraries wait to join the oblivion of time's departing tide, breaking on an unknown shore, all tell of "conquests, glories, triumphs, spoils, shrunk to this little measure."

Mark Antony, speaking through the lips of Shakespeare voiced at once his sarcasm and his despair: "The evil that men do live after them, the good is often interred with their bones." But this is not the lesson of time. The ledger of mortality condemns it. Our brethren whose names are stricken from the roll of the living, remind us only of their good. The human heart clings with gratitude to the virtues of the dead. It is only good that is linked with immortality.

There is no conflict between science and religion. It is fit to be recorded here that one of the greatest of earth's thinkers in science and philosophy has put aside the arbitrary dogmas of the century. The limitations on the mind answer those who array mere human knowledge against the hope and faith that struggle in all who have toiled and loved and lost all that made the world seem dear.

Knowledge is the result of man's mind applied to what we know or understand. Man's faculties are not illimitable. How few our senses. How full of error is human reason. How defective our preceptions. The dogmas of one generation are the jest of another. The labored systems and schools of today, tomorrow are delusions and follies. All who worship at the shrine of reason are but wanderers in a crumbling chaos. Why shall we compass the universe with our puny mental gifts! If we had fifty special senses instead of five our range of vision would be multiplied. If our minds were expanded many fold our knowledge would reach across a wider circle. It might gather other worlds in its sweep. But our minds are finite, and the works of God are infinite. Is it not demonstrated folly to set the measure of created things, of the future now unrevealed by the mere processes of human reason? The illimitable cannot be gauged by finite instruments.

Masonry is built on faith and hope, on justice and toleration, on charity and love and confidence in men, on a belief that man is not for this world alone but endures when mortality has again mingled with the dull clods of earth and that an all wise, all merciful God watches our steps in the pilgrimage of every human life.

Ideals are permanent. It is not given to us to fully attain them. But they are a constant light, a torch transmitted from hand to hand. I sometimes like to think they are evidences of our immortality. They are akin to the soul which

"Secure in her existence
Smiles at the drawn dagger
And defies its point.
The stars shall fade away,
The sun himself grow dim with age,
And nations sink in years, but thou
Shalt flourish in immortal youth unhurt
Amid the war of elements, the wreck
Of matter, and the crush of worlds."

The longer one lives the more one marvels at the beautiful souls some have in rough unpolished bodies. It is this undefinable quality that illuminates a homely face and makes us forget the mask through which shines a great and sometimes unseen soul.

Nature seldom sets her rarest gems and precious metals amidst temperate elements or scenes of beauty. They are not found where the beaten path and every eye may discover. Nature has planted them under a blazing sun and the eternal snows. Dull earth and stubborn stone cover them. They must be pursued with pick and drill unseen by human eye until by faith and work they reach the outer world. The noble metals must be sought, the base is everywhere.

Human character is quarried from ourselves and separated from selfish dross by self denial and patience, by ideals and effort for better things. The human mind is an instrument to be reached and developed amidst difficulties. The harder the struggle, the greater the conquest.

All the university's culture never made a man. No one can make a boy rich by merely leaving him money; masonry is not a system that deifies success and condones every means of achieving it.

Masonic wealth consists in other things. It creates character and stability. It gives a righteous conservatism that holds fast to what is good. It separates the ephemeral from the enduring, the moral forces perpetual in our race from transient impulses, for all else.

"Like the baseless fabric of this vision.
The cloud capped towers, the gorgeous palaces,
The solemn temples, the great globe itself,
Yea all which it inherits, shall dissolve
And like this insubstantial pageant faded,
Leave not a rack behind—we are such stuff
As dreams are made of, and our little life
Is rounded with a sleep."

On motion of M.W. Bro. Owen Scott, the thanks of the Grand Lodge were extended to the Grand Orator, by a rising vote, for his profound, eloquent and scholarly oration, and it was ordered printed in the Proceedings.

REPORT-Committee on Finance.

R.W. Bro. S. O. Spring, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, presented 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 Finance fraternally report that it has examined the books and accounts of the R.W. Grand Secretary and R.W. Grand Treasurer, and find the same to have been kept in their usual systematic and comprehensive manner; that all the moneys due the M.W. Grand Lodge have been received, properly entered of record and duly paid over to the R.W. Grand Treasurer as provided by law; that the R.W. Grand Treasurer has fully accounted for all the funds and property for which he is responsible; that the reports submitted to this Annual Meeting 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, as evidenced by the certificates of the proper officers, and the securities have been inspected and found to be in conformity with the report of the R.W. Grand Treasurer in every particular.

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, 1912	
Total debit\$133,2	255.60

CREDIT.

By mileage and per diem paid officers and committees	
since last report\$	3,921.10
By mileage and per diem paid representatives since	
last report	16,764.30

By miscellaneous orders paid since last report as per vouchers submitted	
By paid salaries Grand Officers, orders Nos. 319 to	
518 inclusive	45,307.49
Leaving balance to credit of General Fund\$	87.948.11
CHARITY FUND.	
Oct., 1912, Balance on hand \$ 38,353.38 Received from R.W. Grand Secretary 43,028.61 Total debit ——\$	81,381.99
CREDIT.	
By vouchers paid since last report\$	43.250.00
Balance to credit, Charity Fund\$	38,131.99
Home for the Aged Fund.	
DEBIT.	
Oct., 1912, cash balance on hand\$ Received from R.W. Grand Secretary	588.00 320.00
Total debit	908.00
ILLINOIS MASONIC ORPHAN'S HOME FUND.	
DEBIT.	
Oct., 1912, Balance on hand last report\$ Received from R.W. Grand Secretary	
Balance to credit of Orphans' Home Fund	\$5.013.86 \$5,013.86
CHERRY MINE FUND.	
DEBIT.	
February, 1913, received from R.W. Grand Secretary	\$6,846.89

CREDIT.

CREDIT.
By orders paid as per vouchers submitted
Balance to credit of this fund\$426.40
Hospital Fund.
DEBIT.
June, 1913, received from R.W. Grand Secretary\$645.13 No orders drawn. Balance to credit of this fund
Official Receipts Fund.
May, 1913, received from R.W. Grand Secretary. \$1,495.58 No orders drawn. Balance to credit this fund. \$1,495.58 Your committee find the par value of investment securities in the several funds to be as follows: Charity fund. \$800.00 Home for the Aged Fund \$8,000.00 Masonic Orphans' Home Fund 47,500.00 Total securities \$56,300.00
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SUMMARY.
Securities on hand, all funds\$ 56,300.00

Cash on hand, all funds	
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Total assets in treasury\$190,869.09

Your committee recommend that the remaining balance of \$426.40 in Cherry Mine Fund be transferred to the Charity Fund.

Your committee recommend that the appropriations from the Charity Fund be made as follows:

For the maintenance and support of the Masonic Orphans' Home	
at LaGrange, for the ensuing year\$	18,000.00
For the maintenance and support of the Illinois Masonic Home	
at Sullivan, for the ensuing year	24,000.00

Above appropriations to be paid as follows: One-half, October 15, 1913; one-fourth, March 1, 1914, and one-fourth July 1, 1914. All unexpended balances to be covered into the Grand Lodge treasury.

We recommend that a special appropriation of three thousand dollars from the Charity Fund be made for the Masonic Home at Sullivan, to be used for completing and re-furnishing the two buildings, the original furniture having deteriorated greatly and was very sparingly furnished when first opened.

Also that a special appropriation of two thousand dollars be made from the Charity Fund for the Orphans' Masonic Home at LaGrange, for the purpose of decorating the walls and ceilings and improvement of the soft water system.

These special appropriations to be paid as required for the purposes made.

Your committee further recommend that appropriations be made from the General Fund to defray the proper expenses of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge for the ensuing year, to-wit:

For mileage and per diem of Officers, Representatives and Com-

mittees\$	20,000,00
For printing and distributing Proceedings	4,500.00
For miscellaneous printing	2,500.00
For salaries of Grand Officers	6,000.00
For Schools of Instruction	1,200.00
For miscellaneous expenses	5,800.00
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Total\$40,000.00

We also recommend that orders be drawn upon the General Fund for the following expenses, to-wit:

M.W. Bro. Owen Scott, Committee on Correspondence\$	500.00
M.W. Bro. Edward Cook, Committee on Blue Book	500.00
Bro. C. S. Gurney, Grand Tyler	100.00
Bro. C. S. Gurney, sundry expenses	102.44
Bro. Z. T. Griffen, stenographer	50.00
Bro. Geo. A. Stadler, Ass't Grand Secretary	25.00
Oriental Consistory, rent	300.00

Total\$1,577.44

Your committee for the same reasons as last year, recommend that an order be drawn in favor of Bro. Isaac Cutter, for six hundred dollars, as extra salary for the past year, and that he be allowed the sum of six hundred dollars for an assistant, the coming year, to assist in installing and keeping up the card-system, recently adopted.

We are all aware of the great prosperity of this Grand Lodge during the past two years and we think it will be conceded by the craft throughout this jurisdiction that much of this prosperity and improvement, in the general condition of Masonry in Illinois, is due to the energy, enthusiasm and personal effort of our retiring Grand Master. He has labored in and out of season, in the interest of the Grand Lodge and given practically his whole time to it, and has been compelled during this time to keep an extra stenographer, to take care of the increasing correspondence. We are of the opinion that part of the expense should be paid by the Grand Lodge and recommend that an order be drawn on the Grand Treasurer for the sum of thirty dollars per month, amounting to seven hundred and twenty dollars, in his favor, for this purpose.

Your committee approve of the recommendation of the Grand Master, regarding the Grand Secretary's office and recommend its approval.

Your committee have considered the suggestion of the Grand Master regarding the appropriation for a special fund to assist constituent bodies in time of financial difficulties, and beg to report, that they do not think the plan advisable and therefore make no recommendation at this time.

Referring to the resolution offered by Bro. R. K. Wheeler, providing for pictures of the Masonic Homes to be sent to each lodge in the jurisdiction your committee have duly considered the same and are of the opinion that to properly carry out the object of the resolution the pictures should be framed and sent charges prepaid, and that the beneficial results obtained would not justify the expense and therefore recommend that the resolution be not adopted.

Your committee further submit the following:

First—That the members of the several committees in attendance upon this Annual Communication be allowed and paid \$3 per day for each day's service rendered, in addition to the compensation provided by the by-laws.

Second—That your committee be authorized to preserve the paid orders during the past year upon the R.W. Grand Treasurer for one year, for reference, should occasion require. Fraternally submitted,

S. O. Spring, Thomas A. Stevens, N. M. Lampert,

Committee.

REPORT-Special Committee.

R.W. Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler presented the following report of the committee with reference to building a hospital. To the Officers and Members of the M.W. Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M., of Illinois:

Your committee, to whom was referred the recommendation of the M.W. Grand Master with reference to building a hospital or infirmary at Sullivan, Ill., are of the opinion that the proposition is one of too great

importance and magnitude to be handled in a few days. We would therefore recommend that this question be referred to the Board of Trustees of the Illinois Masonic Homes with instructions to report at the next annual meeting of this Grand Lodge.

We would further recommend that an appropriation of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) be made and placed in the hands of the said Board of Trustees to defray the expenses of caring for emergency cases that may arise.

RALPH H. WHEELER,
W. A. DIXON,
WILLIAM E. BUEHLER,
LEROY A. GODDARD,
WM. SCHOENNEAHAFER,

Committee.

It was referred to the Committee on Finance.

RESOLUTION.

M.W. Bro. Alexander H. Bell offered the following resolution. It was adopted.

Be it Resolved. That a committee of three be appointed by the Grand Master to represent this Grand Lodge in dealing with any movement or suggestion emanating from any other masonic body or individual for the erection of a hospital on the grounds of the Sullivan Home, and the committee thus provided for shall have full authority for and in behalf of this Grand Lodge to negotiate and conclude such arrangements with reference to such hospital as it may seem meet.

Resolved further, That the Grand Master shall be a member of such committee in addition to the three members above provided for.

REPORT.

Bro. Chas. S. DeHart presented the report of the Special Committee on Gil. W. Barnard Hospital. The second recommendation of the committee was ordered stricken out. The balance of the report was adopted.

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

Your committee appointed at the last meeting of the Grand Lodge to inquire into the work done and being done by the Gil. W. Barnard Masonic Hospital Association of Chicago, have made such investigation, and beg leave to report:

This is a corporation organized in 1909 under the laws of Illinois, not for pecuniary profit, for the purpose of establishing a hospital, providing free medical and surgical treatment to Master Masons, members of the Order of the Eastern Star and members of their families, who are unable to pay for the same, and of maintaining a free dispensary for their use. After operating for a little over two and one-half years, and on or about February 1, 1912, the hospital feature in this purpose of the Association was abandoned, on account of its impracticability, and the more feasible object adopted of affording care and attention to Master Masons and those depending upon them, who have been disabled through sickness and injury, and the funds which had been collected up to that date were converted to this latter purpose.

Its membership consists of one representative from such masonic bodies as desire to identify themselves with the association or contribute to its support.

Its affairs are managed by a board of fifteen directors elected by these representatives at the annual meeting on the first Friday in February, five being elected each year, to serve for a term of three years. The officers annually elected by this board serve without compensation, excepting the secretary and a superintendent, who receive, respectively, a monthly salary of \$17.50 and \$12.50.

The principal source of income is from an annual picnic held by the association, tickets to which are disposed of to the various masonic bodies in this city and county. In addition to this, its receives some considerable income in the way of voluntary contributions from the various lodges to whose distressed members it may have furnished relief, and in some cases from the patients themselves who may have been restored to health.

Its present property consists entirely of cash funds and well secured bonds, as follows:

Cash in bank	 	\$2,152.74
Bonds	 	4,000.00

Making a total of assets on Oct. 10, 1913, of \$6,152.74

Not including the accrued interest on the bonds for the present year.

During the period over which the association has been carrying out its present plan of extending relief, an examination of its books show that the association had a balance in its treasury of \$5,453.49 on February 1, 1912, and also show the following receipts and expenditures since that date:

For the year ending February 1, 1913-

RECEIPTS.

RECEIPTS.
From picnic—net receipts\$1.048.00From identification pocket coins sold377.00From donations548.00From interest on bank accounts161.00
\$2,134.00
DISBURSEMENTS.
Paid out for hospital services\$1,234.00 Paid out for salaries and incidental expenses
Total\$1,314.00
For the fractional year from February 1, 1913, to October 10, 1913—
RECEIPTS.
From picnic—net receipts
Total\$2,117.34
DISBURSEMENTS.
Paid for hospital services \$1,797.97 Paid for rent of office 129.50 Paid for salaries and incidentals 310.35
Total\$2,237.82
The books of the association show that for the year ending February

The books of the association show that for the year ending February 1, 1913, nineteen patients were cared for, requiring a total of 1,228 days' hospital service, at an average cost of \$1 per day, or \$7 per week, for each patient; and that for the fractional year from February 1, 1913, to October 10, 1913, twenty-seven patients were cared for, requiring a total of 1,309 days' hospital service, at an average cost of \$1.37 per day, or \$9.59 per week, for each patient.

Your committee feels that special attention should be called to the above figures and the very low expense at which this association is caring for its patients, some of whom from our own observation we know to be in such state of physical disability that shelter could otherwise have been found only in the poor farm.

This beneficence of the association is accomplished and its patients cared for through arrangements made with several local hospitals, more particularly the Wesley on the South Side, the German and Chicago Union on the North Side and the Littlejohn on the West Side. Your committee personally visited these different hospitals, and saw nine patients who are at present being cared for by the association, and we are convinced that they are receiving the best attention and care they could hope or ask for, and each upon being questioned so stated to your committee, with expressions of the warmest gratitude towards the officers of this association.

The field of the beneficent operations of the association does not, under its management, appear to be limited strictly to applicants from the lodges of this particular locality, but, as your committee was informed by its officers, its ministrations of relief have in several instances been extended to Master Masons, or members of their family, regardless of the place or jurisdiction where the applicant might be affiliated. We were also informed by the officers of the association that no case presented to it had been denied, except tuberculosis and similar cases, which under the rules of the hospitals could not be admitted therein; but that the association hoped in the near future to find a means of caring for this class of distress.

Your committee having met with and inquired to some extent into the standing and reputation of a number of the officers and directors of the association, are impressed with their sincere and unselfish spirit, and with the purely charitable character of the association, and we believe the association is entitled to our good opinion and encouragement. We would therefore recommend:

First: That the Gil. W. Barnard Hospital Association be favored with the confidence of this Grand Lodge, by reason of the benevolent work it is doing, and with the considerate attention and sympathy of the craft of this state.

Second: That the importance of the work of the association is such that it should command the further concern of this Grand Lodge, and that a special committee should be continued for the ensuing year to pursue this investigation and make further report on the progress of the association's charitable endeavor at the next meeting of the Grand Lodge.

CHAS. S. DEHART, WM. H. ROBSON, AMOS PETTIBONE, GEO. EDWARDS, DAN. G. SWANNELL,

Committee.

AMENDMENT PROPOSED.

R.W. Bro. Elmer E. Beach offered the following amendment to Grand Lodge By-Laws. It being seconded by the Representatives of more than twenty lodges, lies over until next year.

The ritual or "work" adopted by this Grand Lodge at the annual meeting of 1913, shall hereafter be subject to change only by formal affirmative action of the Grand Lodge by two-thirds vote at an annual meeting.

REPORT-Committee on Petitions.

Bro. J. E. Jeffers, Chairman of the Committee of Petitions, presented the following report, which was adopted.

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

To your Committee on Petitions have been referred the following which we shall designate by number:

No. 1. Petition of Edwin Miller, expelled by Blackberry Lodge No. 359, for unmasonic conduct, non-payment of dues.

Your committee believes that Bro. Miller's term of thirty-eight years of expulsion for non-payment of dues is sufficient punishment and we recommend that he be restored to good standing in the fraternity.

No. 2. Petition of Albert L. Kiblinger, expelled by Piper Lodge No. 608, for unmasonic conduct.

It appears that Bro. Kiblinger has been expelled from his lodge for fourteen years. He is able to produce a recommendation concurred in by a unanimous ballot, regularly taken at a stated meeting of his lodge praying his restoration. Your committee recommends that the petition of Bro. Kiblinger be granted and that he be restored to good standing in the fraternity.

No. 3. Petition of E. B. Miller, suspended by National Lodge No. 596 (now defunct), for non-payment of dues.

This appears to be a simple case of suspension for non-payment of dues by a lodge now defunct. We, therefore, recommend that Bro. Miller be restored to good standing in the fraternity.

No. 4. Petition to change name of Pearl Lodge No. 940 to Pleasant View Lodge No. 940.

Your committee recommends that the petition of Pearl Lodge No. 940 be granted, and that it be permitted to change its name to Pleasant View Lodge No. 940.

No. 5. Petition to change name of Annawan Lodge No. 433 to Atkinson Lodge No. 433.

Annawan Lodge No. 433 was originally located at Annawan, a village six miles from Atkinson. A number of years ago it removed to Atkinson but retained the name of Annawan. A lodge being located at Atkinson and bearing the name of Annawan, a town but a few miles away, is naturally confusing and results in the misdirecting and miscarriage of mail and other annoying conditions. We therefore recommend that Annawan Lodge No. 433 be permitted to change its name to Atkinson Lodge No. 433.

No. 6. Petition of Bro. John M. Keltner to Creal Springs Lodge No. 817, located at Creal Springs for recommendation to this Grand Lodge for his restoration to good standing in the fraternity.

Bro. Keltner was suspended by this Grand Lodge at its annual session one year ago for unmasonic conduct. It appears, however, that Bro. Keltner was unable to secure the necessary action of his lodge, the vote standing eleven for to eleven against the recommendation. Also that Bro. Keltner failed to appear before the lodge and make proper acknowledgment of and apologies for his misconduct as he had agreed to do. In view of the fact that the action of this Grand Lodge in suspending Bro. Keltner is of such recent date, and of the facts as above set forth, your committee recommends that this petition be not granted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. E. Jeffers, Louis Zinger, W. F. Gibson,

Committee.

REPORT-Committee on Chartered Lodges.

Bro. Phil. C. Barclay, Chairman, presented the report of the committee. It was adopted.

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

Your Committee on Chartered Lodges having carefully checked over the returns of the constituent lodges for the year ending June 30, 1913, beg to present the following statement:

INCREASE.

Number raised	9,301
Reinstated	
Admitted	1,235
Add for error	. 109
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Total increase	10.058

DECREASE.

DECKEROL.
Suspended 838 Expelled 26
Dimitted
Died 1,542
Add for error
Total decrease 4.273
Net gain in membership
Membership June 30, 1913122,233
Number of chartered lodges 815
Number residing in Illinois108,916
Non-resident members 13,131
Number initiated 10,099
Number passed 9,459
Received for dues for year ending June 30, 1913 109,779.30
Contributed to members, their widows and orphans 48,941.00
Contributed to those not members 14,409.41
Contributed to Masonic Orphans' Home 1,994.45
Contributed to Masonic Home

Our examination of the returns as compared with former years, shows great improvement in the work of the secretaries, which improvement is due largely in our judgment, to the visitations and efficient inspections made by the D.D.G.M.'s by order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master. You are to be congratulated on the fact that only one lodge is in arrears for its 1913 report and dues, in arrears however, only so far as the Grand Secretary's report is concerned, as the report and dues were received here since his report was placed in the hands of the Finance Committee, and in our report, the number of members of this lodge has been used in the total of membership but the dues are not included in the total dues.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

PHIL C. BARCLAY, C. P. ROSS, JAMES MCCREDIE, T. W. NINON, J. A. ASSERSON,

Committee.

CALLED OFF.

At 12:45 p. m. the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until Thursday morning.

THIRD DAY

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, A. D. 1913, A. L. 5913 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 the Proceedings of Wednesday's session were read and approved.

REPORT—Committee on Chartered Lodges.

The Committee on Chartered Lodges made a special report, which was adopted.

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

Your Committee on Chartered Lodges beg to present the following special report on that portion of the M.W. Grand Master's address, which has been referred to us.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

Two years ago the Most Worshipful Grand Master inaugurated a system of inspection of the lodges, defining the duty of the District Deputies in making such inspection, that it might be reported to him as to the manner in which the lodges were conducting their affairs and whether or not they were properly equipped to conform to the requirements of the M.W. Grand Lodge. Blanks for this purpose were placed in their hands, but through a misunderstanding on the part of some, all the lodges were not reported on and on the reports made in many instances, certain questions were not answered, hence it has not been possible for your committee to compile as complete a statement as it wished to make, but on tabulating the reports as sent to the M.W. Grand Master, the following deficiencies and irregularities were shown.

- Of 815 lodges only 440 were reported on and out of these 440, 30 secretaries were not equipped with proper books and blanks for the dis-

charge of their duty. In 130 lodges the records were not kept in accordance with the requirements of the Grand Lodge By-Laws. In 42 lodges the minutes showed the character of reports of investigating committees. In 32 lodges the minutes did not show receipts of dues and fees as required. In 62 lodges, the minutes did not show time of opening and closing and in 50 lodges, the minutes were not signed by both Master and Secretary. Thirty-five lodges were not using form of petition for degrees or affiliation, as adopted by the Grand Lodge in 1910. In 23 lodges, the by-laws did not conform with the Grand Lodge By-Laws. Fifteen lodges did not have roll of membership and by-laws to be signed upon raising and admission. Sixty-seven lodges were not properly equipped with paraphernalia as prescribed by the Board of Grand Examiners. Sixty-seven were not provided with proper receiving instruments for the Senior Deacon. Forty-two are not provided with middle chamber pillars and quite a number not supplied with a sufficient number of black ballots.

The attention of the officers of the lodges was called to these errors and omissions by the District Deputy and we believe that as the result of such visitations and inspections, it will not be long before uniformity will be the rule.

Last year when that portion of the Most Worshipful Grand Master's address, relating to the District Deputies was referred to your committee, a report was made on the inspections and fully realizing that such a system of inspection would be of incalculable good to the subordinate lodges and to the Grand Lodge in general, and believing that a brother in accepting such an office should not be called upon to spend his own money in addition to giving his time, your committee presented an amendment providing for such expenses, and just before the meeting of this Grand Lodge, in order to get additional data for your information, the committee sent to each District Deputy a circular letter asking for answers to the following questions:

How many lodges did you inspect?

How many lodges paid your expenses?

How much expense did you have to stand, yourself, on account of such inspections?

Forty-six replies were sent us. Several, however, did not say just what their expenses were, but from the answers given, it was shown that 596 lodges were inspected, that the expenses of the District Deputies were paid by 173 lodges and that the total expenses paid by the District Deputies, out of their own pockets, that is by those who answered the questions, was \$1,355.34.

So as the District Deputy is the official representative of the M.W. Grand Master, and his best method of keeping in touch with the subordinate lodges, your committee hopes that with the above facts before you, the

amendment will receive favorable consideration from your Honorable Body. Respectfully submitted,

PHIL. C. BARCLAY, C. P. Ross, JAMES McCREDIE, T. W. NIXON, JOHN A. ASSERSON,

Committee.

REPORT—Committee on New Legislation.

M. W. Bro. A. H. Bell presented the report of the Committee on New Legislation.

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

Your Committee on New Legislation, sometimes called the Committee on Law, has carefully considered all of the amendments now pending before this Grand Lodge to its by-laws, and with reference thereto we respectfully report as follows:

As to the amendment to Article 1, Part 1, Grand Lodge By-Laws, as published at page 151 of the Proceedings of this Grand Lodge for the year 1912, we report that this proposed amendment provides for the creation of a standing committee of this Grand Lodge to be known as the Committee on New Legislation, consisting of three members of the Grand Lodge, to be appointed by the Grand Master, one to serve for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, and thereafter one to be appointed each year to serve three years. The function of this committee as specified in such proposed amendment, is to consider all propositions to amend the by-laws of the Grand Lodge, and to report thereon with their recommendations as to action that should be taken thereon and also to consider all decisions made by the Grand Master. Without going further into detail, your committee after having carefully considered this proposed amendment, is of the opinion that it is a wise addition to the by-laws of this Grand Lodge and we therefore recommend that such amendment be adopted.

As to the amendment to Section 3, Article VI, Part 1, Grand Lodge By-Laws, and also as to the amendment to Section 2, Article V, Part 1, Grand Lodge By-Laws, as printed at page 172 of the Proceedings of 1912, your committee reports as follows:

These two amendments relate, one to the bond to be filed by the Grand Secretary, and one to the bond to be filed by the Grand Treasurer. It will be remembered that a few years ago the Grand Lodge By-Laws provided that the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer should give bonds with some Surety Company as surety thereon. Afterward, because the Surety

Companies were reluctant to give bond in a satisfactory form, the Grand Lodge By-Laws were amended requiring that the bonds should be given with personal security, but since that time the Grand Lodge By-Laws have been amended in such form that the exact form of the bond to be given by the officers is prescribed and set forth in our by-laws. Since the form of the bond is now prescribed by our by-laws, and the bond when given must be in that form, there can be no objection to having a Surety Company as surety on the bond instead of personal security, if the Surety Company is willing to sign the bond. The amendments now under consideration merely provide that the bond shall have security as shall be approved by the Grand Master; leaving it optional with the officers in question to give bond with personal security or with a Surety Company as security as may be found to be best or most convenient or as the Grand Master may require, but the form of the bond is determined and cannot be avoided.

Your committee is therefore of the opinion that the amendments under consideration are wise and we recommend that they both be adopted.

As to the amendment to Section 6, Article XIII, Part 1, Grand Lodge By-Laws, as published at page 198, of the Proceedings of this Grand Lodge for the year 1912, your committee reports as follows:

This proposed amendment is a revision of the section indicated. The entire section is rewritten word for word as now printed in the Blue Book, excepting that that part of the section which provides that one representative from each lodge shall be paid his mileage and per diem reads in the Blue Book "one representative, the highest in rank, from each lodge under this jurisdiction" shall be paid. It will be observed that the only difference between this by-law as rewritten and the present by-law as found in the Blue Book, is that the proposed by-law omits the words "the highest in rank." Your committee is not able to see why such a change as this should be made. It has always been the law that the officer highest in rank representing his lodge in this Grand Lodge is the one who is entitled to his mileage and per diem, and to strike out the words "the highest in rank" from the by-law, as this amendment proposed, leaves it open to dispute or question as to which one is entitled to such mileage and per diem. Your committee can see nothing to be accomplished by the adoption of this proposed amendment and accordingly we recommend that it do not pass.

As to the amendment to Article III, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws, printed at page 198 of the Proceedings of 1912, by adding a new section to be called Section XI, your committee reports as follows:

This is a very short amendment which provides that "all correspondence of lodges with foreign masonic bodies, except in cases of emergency, shall be conducted through the Grand Master of this Grand Lodge." Your committee is of opinion that this amendment ought to be adopted. It is at present the recognized practice in this Grand Jurisdiction and generally

throughout the world. We therefore recommend that this amendment be adopted.

As to the proposed amendment to subdivision three, Section 1, Article IX, Part 1, Grand Lodge By-Laws, printed at page 198, of the Proceedings of 1912, your committee reports as follows:

This proposed amendment is "to require from each brother presenting himself as a proxy a written commission signed by the proper officer of the lodge which he represents." Subdivision three which it is proposed thus to amend, already reads as follows: "To require from each brother presenting himself as a proxy a written commission signed by the Master or Warden of his lodge whom he represents." It will be observed that the only difference between the present law and the proposed amendment is that the present law requires the proxy to be signed by the Master or Warden of his lodge "whom he represents," whereas the proposed amendment provides that the proxy shall be signed by the proper officer of the lodge "which he represents." We are of opinion that this amendment does not in any particular change the existing law. It is a mere matter of verbiage or a choice between different methods of expressing the same idea. We would have no objection to the law in the form of this proposed amendment but we are of opinion that its present form is also sufficiently explicit and unobjectionable. Your committee therefore recommends that this proposed amendment be not adopted.

As to the proposed amendment to Section 7, Article XIII, as found on page 176 of the Proceedings of this Grand Lodge for the year 1912, your committee reports as follows:

This proposed amendment does not specify what part of the Grand Lodge By-Laws is intended to be amended. But by consulting the Blue Book your committee is able to perceive that it is intended to amend Section 7, Article XIII, Part 1, of the Grand Lodge By-Laws. That section as now found in the Blue Book provides in substance that "every Grand Officer shall be entitled to be reimbursed for any moneys actually expended in the necessary discharge of his official duties." The proposed amendment is an exact copy of the present law excepting that it provides that "every Grand Officer, including District Deputy Grand Masters, shall be entitled to be reimbursed for any moneys actually expended in the necessary discharge of his official duties." It will be observed that the only purpose of this amendment is to include District Deputy Grand Masters as officers of the Grand Lodge whose expenses in the discharge of official duties shall be paid by the Grand Lodge.

It has always been the practice in this Grand Lodge that whenever a District Deputy is directed by the Grand Master to go anywhere or to do anything, his expenses in thus executing such commission, are paid by the Grand Master as a part of the expenses of the Grand Master's office. That

is the established practice in this Grand Lodge. If it is meant by this amendment merely to give legislative sanction to such a practice, your committee sees no objection to it but, we are of opinion that it would be unwise to allow District Deputies to determine themselves upon the necessity for the making of such expenses. In short the initiative should be with the Grand Master and not with the District Deputy. Your committee is willing to recommend that this proposed amendment be first amended by inserting after the words "District Deputy Grand Master" the following: "In the performance of any duty required of him by the Grand Master or imposed upon him by law." The proposed amendment as thus amended would then read as follows: "Every Grand Officer, including District Deputy Grand Masters, in the performance of any duty required of them by the Grand Master or imposed on them by law, shall be entitled to be reimbursed for any moneys actually expended in the necessary discharge of their official duties, but in all cases the claims for such reimbursement shall be subject to the requirements of Section 1 of this article," Your committee recommends that the amendment as offered be not adopted. We propose to this Grand Lodge that the same as written be amended, so as to read as above given.

As to the amendment proposed by adding to Section 3, Article XI, Part 2, of the Grand Lodge By-Laws, as published at page 163 of the Proceedings of 1912, your committee reports as follows:

The proposed amendment provides that "the territorial jurisdiction of every lodge located in any city or town shall include the whole of such city or town." The present status of the law on this question is that "the territorial jurisdiction of a lodge shall extend in all directions half way on straight lines between the actual location of lodge rooms of neighboring lodges, without regard to county or other geographical divisions." The effect of this proposed amendment is obvious and need not be more minutely specified than the above quotations of the existing law and the proposed law.

This subject has been under consideration and a special committee of this Grand Lodge was provided for at its last session and that committee consisted of Brethren C. H. Martin, A. W. Gage, J. D. Cleveland, L. L. Emmerson and L. C. Johnson. That committee having fully considered the question as to the jurisdiction of Chicago lodges (and that is the question which is affected by this proposed amendment), reported in substance that they did not see any practical method of changing the existing law; that the law as now written seems to be adequate for the purpose and the best statement of the respective rights of neighboring lodges which could be made. Your committee having fully considered the question upon its own merits and having considered likewise the report of such special committee having that topic under consideration, is of the opinion that the existing

law in this particular ought not to be changed and we recommend therefore that this proposed amendment be not adopted.

Your committee in thus passing upon all the amendments now before this Grand Lodge, realizes that inasmuch as this is a new committee of this Grand Lodge, it is in making this report, establishing something of a precedent which, whether followed hereafter by subsequent committees or not, is nevertheless likely to be in some measure influential in determining their action. We have acted upon the understanding that it is our duty to report fully and fairly upon every proposed amendment. We conceive it to be the duty of this committee not to allow itself ever to be made the means of pigeonholing amendments but that every matter coming before this committee ought to be fully and fairly considered and promptly reported.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. H. Bell, A. M. Otman, E. C. Mullen.

Committee.

Action on the committee's report relating to Sec. 3, Article 11, Part 2 of Grand Lodge By-laws was laid over for one year. The balance of the report was adopted.

FLOOD SUFFERERS FUND.

The committee made the following report. It was referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

As shown by report covered in the M.W. Grand Master's Address there is an unexpended balance in the fund contributed for relief of the flood sufferers of \$8,991.50, \$2,400 of which was generously donated by other Grand Jurisdictions. We recommend that the \$2,400 be returned to the donors with proper acknowledgment and expressions of appreciation, and that the remainder of the fund, amounting to \$3,877.39 be placed in the Charity Fund.

A check for \$385.89 (the balance in hands of the Committee) has been handed the Grand Treasurer during this session.

PHIL C. BARCLAY, LEROY A. GODDARD, R. C. DAVENPORT, E. J. COWLING,

Committee.

REPORT-Committee on Revision of Blue Book.

M.W. Bro. Edward Cook, Chairman of the Committee on Revision of the Blue Book, submitted the report of that committee.

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

Brethren:—By direction of the Grand Master the report of the Special Committee on the Revision of the Blue Book has been put into print and sent to the constituent lodges; and the committee now has the pleasure of formally presenting the same to the representatives of the craft assembled in Grand Lodge for your action thereon.

It will be seen that a somewhat radical change has been made in the make-up of the book. Instead of the Parts, Articles, and Sections into which it was formerly divided, the divisions are now made by a consecutive numbering of sections, by means of which reference to a desired point may be more readily had.

The use of sub-heads has been retained, and an effort has been made to group all laws pertaining to one subject under a single head.

In the arrangement some numbers have been left blank in order to make it possible when future additions or amendments are made, to insert these new laws under the appropriate heads with the proper number, without disturbing the general scheme of consecutive numbering.

To facilitate the ready location of any point referred to, the page upon which the section is printed is inserted after the number; and it is believed that this arrangement will make the finding of any desired point very easy.

The book is divided into four general heads, to-wit:

1. The Constitution

Code Numbers 1 to 89.

2. By-Laws relating to the Grand Lodge Code Numbers 101 to 256.

3. By-Laws relating to Constituent Lodges
Code Numbers 300 to 717.

4. By-Laws relating to Discipline Code Numbers 800 to 1009.

And each of these divisions has appropriate sub-headings.

There has been less change in the text of the law than in the arrangement. Many minor changes, however, have been made in the wording and some *important* changes in the substance of the law are offered. The following is a summary of the more important of the additions and changes:

1. THE CONSTITUTION.

In Number 57—"G" a form of law is suggested which defines and limits the power of the Grand Master in the abridgment of ceremonies;

In "K" of the same number a time limit has been fixed for the tenure of the representatives of other Grand Lodges;

In Number 83 provision is made for amending an amendment and adopting the section at the same session of the Grand Lodge;

In Number 86 a method is suggested for the possible immediate amendment of Grand Lodge By-Laws.

2. Under the head of BY-LAWS RELATING TO THE GRAND LODGE it is provided as follows:

In Number 118 that no nominations shall be permitted in the election of officers in the Grand Lodge;

Number 124 limits the time in which edicts have force, and is intended to practically eliminate the enactment of permanent laws by the Grand Master alone;

Number 165 defines the duties of District Deputy Grand Master and provides for their compensation;

Number 179 provides for the examination of candidates for Grand Lecturers by two or more of the Grand Examiners, and makes provision for compensating them;

Number 185 defines the duties of the Committee on Legislation;

Number 193 enlarges the duties of the Committee on Lodges, U.D., and makes it their duty to report what action, in their opinion, the Grand Lodge should take regarding new lodges.

3. BY-LAWS RELATING TO LODGES.

Number 321 prohibits smoking in the lodge room while work is going on;

Number 342 permits the use of a card index system for keeping financial accounts;

Number 351 requires all lodges to hold their annual meetings in December of each year;

Number 352 provides that all stated meetings shall be held on calendar dates not contingent upon lunar changes;

Number 364 prohibits electioneering in lodges. The same as has already been enacted for the Grand Lodge;

Number 360 makes it obligatory upon all lodges to have their installation within thirty days after election;

Number 409 directs the treasurer of a lodge to keep the lodge account in the name of the lodge or in his own name as *Treasurer*;

Number 410 provides a method by which the secretary of the lodge may keep a record of the attendance;

Number 437 distinctly defines the meaning of "concurrent jurisdiction";

Number 460 requires a petitioner for degrees to affirm in his petition a belief in the existence of God;

Number 461 requires that those who recommend a petitioner for degrees must be personally acquainted with him;

Number 464 requires committees of investigation to personally see the candidate;

Number 468 requires the Master to read a petition just before the ballot is taken:

Number 476 prohibits masonic intercourse with Grand Lodges to which our Grand Lodge has not accorded recognition;

Number 518 provides for the use of white balls and black cubes;

Number 552 provides that the minimum fee for degrees in small towns and cities shall be \$30, or in cities of more than 50,000 inhabitants—\$75;

Number 554 provides when one lodge does work for another, the question as to which lodge shall have the fee must be settled before the work is done;

Number 562 prescribes how the question of "suitable proficiency" of a candidate shall be determined;

Number 569 makes the possession or use of any alleged key or cipher of the esoteric work a masonic offense;

Number 591 requires that dimits must give the masonic history of the holder thereof;

Number 614 provides that non-affiliates holding dimits or certificates of good standing in the fraternity, may have the life of the same renewed if they apply for affiliation and are rejected.

4. BY-LAWS RELATING TO DISCIPLINE:

Number 824 makes the solicitation of a person to become a candidate a masonic offense;

Numbers 865 to 875 provide for a trial by commission. This is one of the most important provisions for a new law that has been proposed. It is hoped that the suggestions made by the committee may be the foundation for a complete law which will save much of the friction heretofore entailed at long and heated trials;

Number 912 specifically provides for voting on each and all specifications and charges before a vote is taken as to the guilt of the accused;

Number 988 provides that the first step taken by the lodge in the rehabilitation of suspended or expelled Masons shall be his reinstatement to good standing in the fraternity;

Number 989 provides that a brother who has been reinstated to good standing in the fraternity may petition the lodge from which he was suspended for non-payment of dues without the payment of a membership fee;

Number 992 provides that a lodge may retain the money paid for delinquent dues even though the brother may not be reinstated to good standing in the fraternity;

Number 998 provides that a brother suspended by the Grand Lodge seeking reinstatement shall proceed in the same manner as those who have been expelled by the Grand Lodge.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

EDWARD COOK, Wm. Elmer Edwards, Alonzo Dolan,

Committee.

The amendments to the Constitution were seconded by the Grand Lodge and will go out to the lodges for action, and the amendments to the By-Laws were seconded by the necessary number of representatives and will lie over until next year.

REPORT-Committee on Finance.

The Finance Committee made an additional report concerning the Flood Relief Funds and the question of a Hospital. The report was adopted.

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

Your Committee on Finance to whom was referred the report of the Special Committee appointed to consider the question of hospital or infirmary, having considered the same beg to report and recommend that an appropriation of \$3,000 be made from the General Fund to be used in special cases by the Board of Trustees outside of the Masonic Homes.

We also recommend an appropriation from the General Fund of Five Hundred Dollars for expense of District Schools of Instruction, same as last year.

Your Committee on Finance also recommend the approval of the resolution offered by the Committee on Flood Relief Funds—"That the balance

now remaining in this fund, after returning the stated donations, be transferred to the Charity Fund."

Fraternally submitted,

S. O. SPRING, T. A. STEVENS, N. M. LAMPERT,

Committee.

REPORT-Committee on Obituaries.

Bro. John C. Weis, Chairman of the Committee on Obituaries, presented the report of this committee. It was adopted by a rising vote.

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

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:—Since our last annual meeting one year ago, many changes have occured, and the pleasure which we enjoy as we meet each other year after year, is always tinged with a feeling of sadness as we approach this the memorial hour.

Our service at this time partakes, first of all, of that deep and rich sentiment, "Memory of our dead."

We meet as brethren to pay our tribute of respect and to express our appreciation of those of our number who have left us for the "Great Beyond."

As we come together today, we can raise our faces upward, and in our imagination we can see a grand galaxy of faces looking over the battlements of heaven; John Corson Smith, John M. Pierson, Joseph Robbins, Alexander T. Darrah, D. C. Creiger, Charles F. Hitchcock, James John, Gilbert Barnard, William White Wilson and a host of other dear ones, too numerous to mention, and if we listen, we can hear them saying to us, "Be ye also ready."

Among all people of the world, there has always been some effort made to perpetuate the memory of the departed. Before the dawn of history, when civilization as we know it, first lifted its head above ancient Egypt, that age was filled with images of a still earlier people.

Assyria and Persia wrought images of their dead in metal and in marble; the ancient temples of India, the images of Peru, Alaska and Old Mexico, alike testify to this instinct.

We meet today for this purpose and to dwell for a short while on life, death and immortality; every great mind since the creation of the world has dwelt upon this theme. Old Omar, the tent maker of Persia voiced this sentiment in his "Rubiat" over eight hundred years ago, when he said,

"We are no other than a moving show, Of magic shadow shapes that come and go."

William Cullen Bryant, in "Thanatopsis,' says,

"All that tread the globe are but a handful to the tribes that slumber in its bosom; the gay will laugh when thou art gone, the solemn brood of care, plod on; and each one as before will chase his favorite phantom, yet all these shall leave their mirth and their employments, and shall come and make their bed with thee."

Abraham Lincoln, our beloved martyred president oft repeated the lines of Knox:

"Oh why should the spirit of mortal be proud? Like a swift fleeting meteor, a fast flying cloud, A flash of lightning, a break of the wave, Man passeth from life to his rest in the grave."

Victor Hugo, the novelist, said,

"When I come to the grave I can say, I have finished my day's work but not my life; my tomb is a thoroughfare that closes at twilight and opens at dawn, the grave is the twilight of time and the dawn of eternity."

It is well that man should contemplate the insignificance of human existence, but there is a greater view; it is one of the inspiring thoughts that comes to every sensitive soul at such moments as these, that in spite of man's insignificant place in life, that the entire universe with its vast reaches of firmament and the whole earth with its wide waste of waters, is but the stage upon which he prepares himself for an existence that shall outlast them all.

There is no desire so strong as that which craves to know of a future life. Whatever therefore specially directs our thoughts to the future, stimulates our attention. It may be the spontaneous craving for knowledge; it may be some great teaching from revelation, or it may be the removal from us of our loved ones, leaving us bereaved and in sorrow. We weep and we pray but the grave gives no response, we commune with our inmost soul, we inquire of philosophy, we turn to our friends, we receive no satisfaction. 'Tis then we seek God's Word, and we read, "In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you, and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also."

That we are to be hereafter, has been the universal belief of humanity, in even its most benighted condition.

The American Indian is always looking for the "Happy Hunting Ground." The Savages of darkest Africa, await with longing the land of the big moon. The Babylonians, Medes, Persians and Assyrians believed in the doctrine of eternal reward and punishment. The Cythians believed that death was simply a change of habitation.

The Greeks, Plato and Socrates believed in the immortality of the soul.

The Romans in Ovid and Virgil describe minutely the tortures of the future life

The natives of New Zealand believed that on the third day after death, the soul separated itself from the body, and winged its flight to eternal bliss.

Japan has its "all soul's day," when the spirits of the dead are supposed to return and be fed on tea from china cups, and with the odor of incense, and at sunset tiny straw boats are launched on rivers, creeks and canals, illuminated with Japanese lanterns to light the spirits back to the spirit world.

Again in God's Word we read, "Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was, and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it." What for? To Die? To be annihilated? No! To live and forever? Yes.

The spirit of man thrills while contemplating these words.

"Ye stars that pierced the first chaotic gloom, And sang your cosmic matins at the dawn, Dust and decay is written for your doom, I shall go on.

And thou, Oh sun, great tyrant of the sky, Who countest worlds unnumbered as thy spawn, Thy light will falter, and thy glory die, I shall go on.

Ye worlds that are and worlds that yet may be, Ye all shall pass forever and be gone, I but return to that Infinity, Claiming my own in His Divinity,

Yea I shall still go on.

Life is a mystery; the greatest scientist has not been able to solve it. One asks, how it will be possible to live without a material body? The answer is, that the mystery of living without a material body is no greater than the mystery of living with one.

Life is a shadowy, strange and winding road, only a few short steps from the cradle with its lullabies of love, down to where the dark shadows creep around like wierd fantastic spectres, in which we live a life of laughter, love and song, of pain and sorrows and battles.

Every day has its duties, some pleasant, some unpleasant, some sorrowful. Yesterday is dead and gone, tomorrow is yet unborn and to some of us may never come, today is here and with it a sad duty.

We bring to this Grand Lodge today, the grief of brothers, bound by a stronger tie than death. It is not strange that when a brother falls, the event should be crowned by sorrow's rarest gem, the tear of a lacerated love; today upon the graves of our departed dead, Masonry lets fall a tear. And while we know that they are no more with us in the flesh, we feel and know that they have gone to a beautiful city far away in the Kingdom of God, there to meet other loved ones who have gone before.

Today we are born, tomorrow we die, and ere the setting of another sun by many we are forgotten; the cry of the bereaved and sorrowing is ever in our ears, and the endless procession from the cradle to the grave is never out of sight; time and disease are the subtle agents hard at work wearing and wasting away our lives; upon each of us is written the dreary doom, "passing away."

Our friends and relatives may remain behind, but "we must soon join the long caravan slowly moving to the pale realm of shade, where each must take his chamber in the silent halls of death."

Perhaps those who knew us best, may recall some gracious word we uttered or some kindly deed we wrought; perhaps at each recurring springtime, some friendly hand may plant sweet flowers on our graves, or some loving heart bedew them with its tears, but we will be sleeping within the narrow walls of the tomb, overspread with a coverlet of green grass and flowers, where, in the democracy of death all men are at last equal.

"There is neither rank, station nor distinction in the republic of the grave. Here the philosopher ceases to be wise, and the songs of the poet are silent; Dives gives up his millions and Lazarus his rags; here the proud man surrenders his dignity, the politician his honors and the worldling his pleasure, the invalid needs no physician and the laborer rest from his unrequited toil. Here at last is nature's final equity; the wrongs of time are redressed, the unequal distribution of wealth, honor, capacity, power, pleasure and opportunity, which, make life so cruel, ceases in the realm of death; the strongest have no superiority and the weakest need no defense; the mighty Captain succumbs at last to the invincible adversary who disarms alike both the Victor and the Vanquished."

We have all passed through bereavement of some kind and know of the tears and heartaches that follow, but looking up through our tears we catch a glimpse of that heavenly city, and there comes to us the consoling thought that there arches over us the bright rain-bow of hope of immortality to cheer us in our grief.

Why these dark shadows are allowed to cross our thresholds and darken our homes, we know not, and it is not ours to reason why, we must learn to say, "Thy will, not mine, be done." But as these loved ones leave us, One by One for the home of the soul, it is but adding link to

link to the golden chain that binds Heaven and Earth closer together, and it is ours to look forward to the Sweet By and By, where we shall meet them again, where heartaches and sorrows are done away, where death and separations are no more, and where God will wipe away all tears from our eyes.

The wing of the storm god may brood over the ocean, dark and lowering with night and tempest and war, but the same voice that spake at Gallilee, may yet be heard crying, "Peace be still."

Fierce lightnings may leap down from their dark pavilions of cloud, like armed angels of light, flashing their trenchant blades among the phantom crews marshalled at midnight for battle on the field of the deep, but, the morning will break. The Winter's blast may cover the Earth with a coating of ice and snow, spreading death, and desolation, but Spring will come with its resurrection of leaf, and bud, and flower and birdsong. Death may rob us of our loved ones, but, we shall see them again.

Dark as may be the storm clouds hovering over us, gloomy as may be the vale through which we must all go, cold as may be the waters of death, through which we must all pass, yet like a star brightly shining through a storm-riven sky, there comes to us a bright ray from the Word of God that Great Light in Masonry. "Let not your heart be troubled, ye believe in God, believe also in me."

And so we come into this meeting this morning, eager to do something, or to teach some truths that will bring cheer and comfort, we believe it is our duty to try and touch the wellsprings of human hearts and human souls, for we know that down deep in our hearts, there is a firm belief in God the father of us all, whose Righteousness and Justice are working in all things together for our good.

"One sweetly solemn thought, Comes to us o'er and o'er, Nearer our home today are we, Than e'er we've been before.

Nearer our father's house, Where many mansions be; Nearer today the great white throne, Nearer the crystal Sea.

Nearer the bound of life, Where burdens are laid down; Nearer to leave the heavy cross, Nearer to gain the crown.

But lying dark between, Winding down through the night, There rolls the deep and unknown stream, That leads at last to light. E'en now perchance our feet, Are slipping from the brink, And, we, today are nearer home, Nearer than now we think.

Father perfect our trust, Strengthen our power of faith, Nor let us stand at last alone, Upon the shore of death."

From reports filed with our Grand Secretary, we find that the white winged messenger of death has visited several of our Sister Grand Lodges, as well as our own, the list of which will be published in the Grand Proceedings.

OUR OWN JURISDICTION.

The last session of our Grand Lodge had barely closed when the announcement was made of the death of Most Worshipful Bro. Charles F. Hitchcock, Past Grand Master of Illinois.

He departed this life at his home in the city of Peoria, Illinois, on Saturday, October 26, 1912.

Although Brother Hitchcock had been in failing health since last March, yet it was hoped that his illness was not of a serious character and that he would soon be restored to strength and business activity.

Brother Hitchcock was born in Pittston, state of New York, January 11, 1836. In his younger manhood he moved to Illinois locating at Aurora, where he engaged actively in business.

His petition for the degrees in Masonry was presented to Aurora Lodge No. 254 and on November 22, 1858, he received the degree of Master Mason. Removing from Aurora to Sparland, Illinois, he affiliated with the lodge at that place and served as its Worshipful Master for a period of seven years. Changing his residence to Peoria, Ill., he dimitted from Sparland Lodge No. 441 and affiliated with Temple Lodge No. 46, and for two years served as Worshipful Master of that lodge.

In September, 1885, Brother Hitchcock was appointed District Deputy Grand Master for the then 14th Masonic District of Illinois. He took an active interest in the affairs of the Grand Lodge and in the month of October, 1893, was elected Junior Grand Warden. He was regularly advanced and in 1899, was installed as Grand Master of Masons of the State of Illinois, which exalted station he held for two years, serving the craft in a faithful manner.

The degrees of the Royal Arch were conferred upon Brother Hitch-cock January 31, 1860, by Aurora Chapter No. 22, which Chapter he served as High Priest for one year. He dimitted from Aurora Chapter to Lacon Chapter No. 61, and upon his removal to the city of Peoria affiliated with Peoria Chapter No. 7.

He received the Council degrees in Peoria Council No. 11 Royal and Select Master, April 15, 1878, and served as Recorder for many years.

The orders of Templar Knighthood were conferred on our brother, October 16, 1866, in Peoria Commandery No. 3, which body he served as Commander for a period of five years.

He received the degrees of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, March 29, 1870, in Peoria Consistory, S.P.R.S., which body he served as Commander-in-Chief for twelve years, and was crowned a Sovereign Grand Inspector General of the 33d degree, September 22, 1885.

Brother Hitchcock was a charter member of St. Helena Conclave No. 3, Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine.

His funeral occurred Monday, October 28, from the Universalist Church, Peoria, Illinois. Following the religious rites the remains were placed in charge of the Masonic fraternity and escorted to the cemetery where they were deposited with the usual formalities of the craft, the ceremonies being in charge of an Occasional Grand Lodge convened for that purpose.

Brother Charles F. Hitchcock was a zealous and devoted member of the craft. His whole life was a reflection of the principles which he had acquired from his masonic teachings. In his dealings with his fellow men he was courteous and considerate. In all his business and official responsibilties he was zealous, untiring and scrupulously honest. His sterling qualities of manhood caused him to be admired and respected by all, and his life and character furnish a fitting example for us who survive him.

JAMES JOHN,

Past Master, Garden City Lodge No. 141, and Past Grand Examiner. Born in Monmouth, England, July 5, 1835. Initiated in Garden City Lodge No. 141, February 7, 1866, passed May 9, 1866, raised to Sublime Degree of Master Mason May 23, 1866. Served as Worshipful Master, 1878 and 1891. Died April 12, 1913. At rest in Rosehill Cemetery, Chicago, Ill., April 16, 1913.

Before the services at the grave, Most Worshipful Brother A. D. Gash, P.G.M. of Utah, gave a beautiful eulogy at Oriental Consistory Preceptory.

The Masonic Standard Club of Chicago, with sorrowing hearts affectionately dedicates this tribute to the memory of one of its best loved members:—

Right Worshipful Brother James John entered into eternal rest on the 12th day of April, 1913, in the seventy-eighth year of his age, rich in the rewards that come from a well spent life and full of honors which masonry bestows upon its faithful members.

He was made a Mason in Garden City Lodge No. 141, nearly a half century ago and during the remainder of his life was one of its most active and distinguished members serving as Master in the years 1878 and 1891.

He early became a zealous advocate of the authorized work of the jurisdiction and devoted himself to its mastery. He was made a Grand Lecturer in 1887, and was a member of the Board of Grand Examiners from 1887 to 1894. He served the Grand Lodge as Grand Standard Bearer in 1910, and at the time of his death was a member of the Grand Lodge Committee on Chartered Lodges.

In 1888 he organized the standard team which for several years was a potent factor in promoting the work. He took a prominent part in the formation of the Standard Club and was always one of its most active, zealous and efficient supporters.

As a teacher of the ritual he was painstaking and industrious, having little toleration for indifference or carelessness, but almost infinite patience with all who honestly tried to acquire the standard.

He took great but pardonable pride in the unusual accuracy of his work and his ability to render the ritual with dignity, decorum and intelligent impressiveness.

He was a frequent visitor to lodges and was ever ready to assist in the ceremonies. He probably conferred the degrees of ancient masonry oftener than any other Mason in Illinois.

We respected him for his sterling integrity and manly traits.

We admired him for his knowledge of the work and his ability as an instructor and we loved him for his kind heart and generous nature.

We mourn for his loss and tender our warmest sympathy to his wife and relatives. We console ourselves with the confident hope that we shall meet him in the bright realm of bliss beyond death's river.

HENRY GASAWAY.

Born December 4, 1848, was initiated January 17, 1870, passed February 23, 1770, raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason March 23, 1870, in Marshall Lodge No. 133 of Marshall, Illinois; he dimitted to Clark Lodge No. 603 at Martinsville, Illinois; dimitted again to Marshall No. 133, July 5, 1887 and again to Clark No. 603, November, 1899. He was Master of each lodge at different times. He last served Clark Lodge No. 603 in 1900.

He served two years of D.D.G.M. under LeRoy A. Goddard; was reappointed by Chester E. Allen for the new 39th District, and again by Alexander H. Bell, and again by A. B. Ashley, and for one year by D. D. Darrah, our present Grand Master. Died August 27, 1913. His funeral took place August 29, 1913.

A broad minded man, alert and penetrative in business affairs, loyal to his people and the interests of his home city; he furnished in his life an excellent type of those men, who have brought about the highest development of town, county and state.

SAMUEL W. WADDLE,

Twenty-five years continuous service on Grand Lodge Committee. Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Illinois, who died at his home in Bloomington, on Saturday, February 1, 1913.

Companion Waddle was born in Jassamine county, Kentucky, on August 22, 1834, and came of old Scotch-Irish stock. His mother died at his birth and he was taken to the home of his grandmother at Chillicothe, Ohio, where he remained until he had attained the age of twelve years. He then went to the home of his father in Clark county, Ohio, where he received his education and spent his early years. In January, 1860, he removed to Bloomington, Ill., where he continued to reside until his death.

For many years he was prominently identified with mercantile and financial institutions of Bloomington, having been engaged in the wholesale grocery business, later in manufacturing and finally in banking. He was also active in civic life and filled a number of positions of honor and trust. He remained in active business life until the year 1910, when he retired, and since then, until his death, had devoted himself to literary, social and philanthropic pursuits. In all his various relations he ever acquitted himself with honor, and both in public and private life was held in the highest esteem.

Companion Waddle received Masonic Light in Wade-Barney Lodge No. 512 of Bloomington, and was exalted in Bloomington Chapter No. 26. He was also a member of the Council and Commandery at Bloomington and of Oriental Consistory of Chicago. He entered the official line of the Grand Chapter of Illinois in 1874, as Principal Sojourner and subsequently advanced by successive steps until, in 1879, he was elected Grand High Priest. For many years he was a familiar figure at the annual convocations of Grand Chapter, serving on committees and in other capacities.

Our deceased Companion was laid to rest on Monday, February 3, 1913. A funeral service was held at the Masonic Temple in Bloomington under the auspices of the masonic bodies of that city, but the burial was private.

I will not consume more time by reading the long list of our fraternal dead, as they will all be published in our Grand Lodge Proceedings.

They are beyond our praise; we reach out, but we do not find them; we call, but they do not answer; they are at rest, life's labor ended; they have tasted the cup of death, they are rocked in the cradle of sleep, we can only kiss our hand to them and cry, "Farewell until we meet again."

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OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS.

ALBERTA.

JAMES T. DUNLOP, Grand Master for the year 1910. Died June 12, 1913.

They're passing away, these dear old friends, Like leaves on the current cast: With never a break in the rapid flow, We watch them as one by one they go Into the beautiful past."

ARKANSAS.

STYLES T. Rowe, Grand Master for the year 1895. Died June 2, 1913. Step by step he had been advanced in the Grand Lodge until he was made Grand Master in November, 1894, serving until that date in 1895. He was a member of the Trustees of the Masonic Orphans' Home, and as such rendered valuable service by his counsel and advice. His zeal and devotion to Masonry was active and pronounced, and we shall miss his strong personality from our gatherings, where his wise counsels were so valuable.

JOHN M. OATHONT, Grand Senior Deacon and Past Grand Lecturer. Died June 20, 1913. He rose from a tenant farmer boy to be among the greatest in our fraternity and to become the head of a great department of his adopted state, viz, State Auditor.

SAM H. DAVIDSON, Grand Junior Warden for the year 1912. Died September 12, 1912. He was raised in Evening Shade Lodge No. 143 in 1870, and received the capitular degrees the same year. He served both Blue Lodge and Chapter in all capacities. At the session of the Grand Lodge last November he was not feeling well, and has steadily grown worse until his death. A loving and devoted husband and father has been called to his reward. A beautiful character, a devoted brother, and Christian gentleman of the "old school," he was to those who knew him well a true friend.

"Death's but a path that must be trod, If man would ever pass to God."

James Warren Sorrell, Grand Master for the years 1889 and 1890. Died January 14, 1913. Brother Sorrells was made a Mason in 1860, in Pike County, Arkansas, while a soldier in the Confederate Army, in which he served during the entire war. At the time of his death he was a member of Reid Lodge No. 163 of Mausfield, in which lodge he held membership from the time of taking up his residence there. In the Grand Lodge he was successively advanced through the intervening stations to that of Grand Master in the year 1889-1890, in which exalted station he served with distinguished ability.

Arizona.

Herbert Brown, Grand Master for the year 1906. Died May 12, 1913. Masonic record not given. In the early '80's he spent some time in Mexico and knew its people well. He was a personal friend of President Diaz and was one of the peace commissioners in the Yaqui trouble. By no means the least of Mr. Brown's many interests was his hobby of collecting rare insects, birds and reptiles, and in order to get the fullest enjoyment in this line of work he trained himself to do skillful taxidermy. His collection of birds and reptiles is a most valuable one and has received high praise from experts. He was a curator of the University of Arizona from the time of its foundation and displayed great interest in aiding the new school in every way and particularly along the lines of securing valuable specimens for the museum. He also made a number of valuable donations of birds and reptiles to the Smithsonian Institute of Washington, thus coming in contact with many of the leading naturalists and scientific workers who came to visit Arizona.

Colorado.

WILLIAM PETTIGREW BENEDICT, Senior Grand Deacon, for the year 1912. Died June 17, 1913. Our departed friend was a man actuated by the highest ideals. Life to him meant the performance of every duty and to their faithful accomplishment, he devoted all his abilities and energies. He was a cheerful, hopeful man, seeing always the silver lining to whatever clouds confronted him. He had his share of burdens to bear, but he bore them patiently and well, as we, who knew him best, can testify; and may our Supreme Grand Master deem him worthy to wear the Crown.

"Death is another life. We bow our heads, And, going out, we think, and enter straight Another golden chamber of the King's, Larger than this we leave, and lovelier."

John Bernard Haffy, Grand Master for the year 1909. Died December 9, 1912. He was initiated, passed and raised in Warren Lodge No. 32 at Schultzville, Duchess County, New York, November 18, 1869. In January, 1871, he dimitted therefrom and affiliated with Kilwinning Lodge No. 311, at Chicago, Illinois, and dimitted from that lodge to assist in the formation of Del Norte Lodge No. 29, he also assisted in the formation Tyrian Lodge, U.D., which was afterwards chartered as Del Norte Lodge No. 105, of which he was a member at his death. He served Del Norte Lodge No. 29 as Worshipful Master in 1878 and afterwards in various positions. He was reelected Worshipful Master of Del Norte Lodge No. 105 in 1899 and again in 1900, and Treasurer from 1905 until the time of his death. In the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of Colorado, he was appointed Senior Grand Steward in 1902, Junior Grand Deacon in 1903; Grand Marshall in 1904; Grand Orator in 1905;

Senior Grand Warden in 1906; Deputy Grand Master in 1907, and in September, 1908, he was elected Most Worshipful Grand Master, and served for the year 1909.

Connecticut.

BENJAMIN F. TURNER, Grand Master for year 1906. Died April 17, 1913. He was initiated in St. John's Lodge No. 2, January 7, 1887, passed January 21, 1887, and raised February 4, 1887. He successively served as Junior Warden and enior Warden, 1890 and 1891, and in 1892, as Worshipful Master. In the Grand Lodge he rendered efficient service as District Deputy from 1893 to 1898, inclusive, and in 1899 was appointed Grand Junior Steward. He was advanced in regular rotation until 1896, when he was elected Grand Master, rendering the same quiet but conscientious and efficient service which was characteristic of him.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

OSCAR SHERMAN GIFFORD, Grand Master for the years 1882-1883. Died January 16, 1913. He was raised in Silver Star Lodge No. 4, October 27, 1877, made Junior Warden in 1878, Worshipful Master 1879, 1880, 1882, 1892 and 1893. In the Grand Lodge of Dakota he was made Grand Marshall in 1881, Grand Treasurer in 1880, and Grand Master in 1882-1883. He was a member of Cyrene Commandery No. 2, Knights Templar, also of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, and Shriner, being a member of El Riad Temple of Sioux Falls, S. D.

FLORIDA.

Syd. L. Carter, Deputy Grand Master for the year, 1899 and 1900. Died February 25, 1913. He was raised in Gainsville Lodge No. 41, on September 11, 1889. Was elected Worshipful Master of his Lodge in 1892. He was elected Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Florida in 1895-1896, Senior Grand Warden in 1897-1898, and Deputy Grand Master in 1899-1900.

"They're passing away, these dear old friends, Life a leaf on the current cast; With never a break in the rapid flow, We watch them as one by one they go, Into the beautiful past."

Iowa.

AYLETT RAINS COTTON, Grand Master for the year 1855. Died October 30, 1912.

"What's this vain world to me? Rest is not here; False are the smiles I see, The Mirth I hear. Where is youth's joyful glee? Where all once dear to me? Gone—as the shadows flee—Rest is not here.

Where souls angelic soar, Thither repair; Let this vain world no more Lull and ensnare. That Heaven I love so well Still in my heart shall dwell; All things around me tell Rest is found there."

KENTUCKY.

Henry Bannester Grant, Grand Secretary for the years 1887 to 1912. Died August 26, 1912. He was one of America's most illustrious Masons, a Federal Captain in the Civil War, the author of several valuable Masonic works, and a scholar of rare attainments. He was an active and consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Masonry has sustained a very severe loss in the death of Brother Grant, and he will be sorely missed by every lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction.

MARYLAND.

EDWARD T. Schultz, Past Senior Grand Warden, Historian of Freemasonry in Maryland, Chairman of Committee on Foreign Correspondence for 25 years. Died March 11, 1913. The last fifteen years of his life he did his work while totally blind, assisted during his blindness by a secretary.

MICHIGAN.

CHARLES ELLIOTT SWEET, Grand Master for the years 1907-1908. Died July 11, 1913. He was raised in Salathial Lodge No. 233 of Keeler, 1894. A few months later he removed to Dowagiac, and dimitted to Peninsular Lodge No. 214, and served as Worshipful Master 1894 to 1897. He received the Capitular degrees in Keystone Chapter No. 36, R.A.M., in 1885, and was High Priest of that Chapter, 1891-7. He received the Cryptic degrees in Niles Council No. 19, R. & S.M., and the orders of Knighthood in Niles Commandery No. 12, K.T. in 1894, and was Eminent Commander in 1894-1895. He received the Scottish Rite degrees in DeWitt Consistory of Grand Rapids, and was a Past T.P.G.M. of Moriah Lodge of Perfection. He was a member of Saladin Temple, A.A.O. N. M. S., and was Illustrious Potentate for the year 1905. He was elected Grand Marshal of the Grand Lodge of Michigan in 1891, and was regularly promoted annually and became Deputy Grand Master in 1906, and by the death of Most Worshipful Grand Master CHARLES L. STEVENS while in office, became Grand Master on the 31st day of January, 1907, and was elected for the full term the following May, and served as Grand Master for one year and four months.

Francis Devereux Clarke, Grand Master, died September 7, 1913. He was initiated in Flint Lodge, No. 23, August 20, 1901, passed October 1, 1901, and raised October 15, 1901. He was exalted a Royal Arch Mason in Washington Chapter, No. 15, February 20, 1902. He passed the Circle in Flint Council, No. 56, R. & S. M., March 24, 1902. He held the highest offices in all of these bodies. Was created a Knight Templar in Genesee Valley Commandery, No. 15, April 28, 1902. Received the thirty-second degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite in Michigan Sovereign Consistory, Detroit, January 28, 1904. He joined the Eastern Star in 1909. He was elected Grand Marshal of the Grand Lodge, F. & A. M., of the State of Michigan, at the annual meeting in 1907, and was regularly advanced each year until his election as Grand Master at the last annual meeting of Grand Lodge.

MINNESOTA.

Henry Rogers Wells, Grand Master for the years 1879, 1880 and 1881 Died October 13, 1912. He was made a Mason in Preston Lodge No. 36, Preston, Minn, in 1866, a Royal Arch Mason in North Star Chapter No. 11, Chatfield, Minn., in 1868, a Royal and Select Mason in Minneapolis Council No. 2, in 1882, a Knight Templar in Home Commandery No. 5, Rochester, Minn., in 1870. He was elected Grand Master of this Grand Jurisdiction in 1879, and served in that capacity for three years. He was also a member of the Masonic Veterans' Association of Minnesota, and was No. 1 on the roll, a 32d degree Scottish Rite Mason, a member of the Mystic Shrine and the Red Cross of Constantine. He was a gentleman of the old school, lovable, kindly, courteous, and leaves a host of friends who will sincerely mourn his loss.

"At last the reaper's unrelenting hand
Has cut the cord,
And resting gently in a brighter land,
Our brother's soul has gained—as God had planned—
Its great reward."

Missouri.

Leroy Branch Vallient, Grand Master for the years 1904-1905. Died March 3, 1913. He was an exemplary citizen, a brave soldier, a righteous judge and a Freemason in the true meaning of the term. In deference to the wish of his widow, who, enfectled by grief and the journey from Mississippi, requested that there be no public demonstration, the Masonic honors due a Past Grand Master were omitted. A simple service was conducted in the presence of friends, the Grand Master and Grand Secretary being in attendance.

ETHELBERT FORESTER ALLEN; Grand Master for the years 1808 and 1899. Died August 26, 1913. He was raised to the Sublime Degree in Heroine Lodge No. 104 on June 2, 1884. Served as W.M. of that lodge, 1887 and 1888. He was appointed Grand Marshal of the Grand Lodge in 1892 and rapidly advanced until his election as M.W. Grand Master in October, 1808.

MONTANA.

Leander Warren Frary, Grand Master for the year 1867. Died October 24, 1911. He was Master of four different lodges in as many different states. His California Craftsmen pay this tribute to him: "He was a man who was highly respected and esteemed, not only in his lodge, but as a citizen; one of the choice men to meet."

The settlement of a new country under conditions that prevailed in these western mining states fifty years ago was a veritable melting pot of the lives and characteristics of men. Our brother stood the test well and always received and retained the confidence of his fellow-men.

George Washington Monroe, Grand Master for the year 1880. Died December 22, 1912. Brother Monroe was made a Mason in Alabama, probably at Cross Plains. On coming to Montana he became one of the organizers and charter members of Bozman Lodge No. 18, in 1872; served as its Master in 1875, and in 1880, was elected Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of Montana. On his removal to Butte he affiliated with Mount Moriah Lodge No. 24 of that city on November 18, 1893, and continued his membership there till his death. His funeral services were conducted by this lodge, and he was buried in Butte Cemetery. His Masonic interest was confined to the lodge degrees. Brother Monroe lived his Masonry and the institution can point with pride to his beneficient life as a fitting illustration of its cardinal virtues.

NEBRASKA.

Daniel Hotchkiss Wheeler, Grand Master for the year 1863-1864, and 1865. Died November 27, 1912. Masonic record not given.

NEW YORK.

Christopher G. Fox, Grand Master for the years 1872 and 1873. Died September 5, 1912. He was initiated February 13, passed February 13, and raised March 13, in Erie Lodge No. 161. Upon the formation of Queen City Lodge he became one of its charter members, and served as Master in 1859. He was District Deputy Grand Master of the Twenty-second District for 1865-1866 and 1867; was elected Junior Grand Warden in 1867, and by regular gradation became Grand Master in 1872, which office he held for two years. More than half a century Brother Fox stood in the forefront of Masonic activities. He was a man fertile in resources,

cultured in intellect and consecrated in heart. Tireless in toil and conservative in action, ripe in years and full of honors, he has gone to his reward.

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LEANDER BURDICK, Grand Master. Term of office not given. Died January 1, 1913. He was a man of firm convictions, yet courteous and tactful; a wise counsellor, and devoted to his wife and children; he lived his life honorably and conscientiously, and has left an unrivalled record for integrity and probity.

OREGON.

WILLIAM ALLEN CLELAND, Grand Treasurer for the years 1905 to 1913, inclusive. Died, (date not given). His genial disposition and uniform courtesy to those about him were indicative of his real kindness of heart and love for his fellow men. He exemplified the righteousness of Masonry in his daily life, and these characteristics will long remain in our memories as testimony of his excellence as a man.

TENNESSEE.

Americus V. Warr, Grand Master for the year 1877. Died October 2, 1912. Masonic record not given. He was elected Grand Master from the floor in 1877, without service as Warden—an unusual honor up to that time conferred on only two other Masons in Tennessee—Andrew Jackson and Edward Dilahunty.

TEXAS.

R. M. Lusk, Grand Master for the years 1899 and 1900. Died February 21, 1913. He was elected Grand Master of Masons in Texas in December, 1899. It was during Brother Lusk's term of office that the great storm at Galveston and vicinity occurred in which there was such terrible loss of life and property, and the judicious manner in which he directed the disbursement of the thousands of dollars contributed by the Masons generally for the relief of their distressed brethren in Texas endeared him to all Masons. His was a life devoted to good deeds.

Utah.

Christopher Diehl, Grand Secretary for the years 1872 to 1912. Died September 17, 1912.

"Formed on the good old plan, a true and brave and downright honest man."

VIRGINIA.

GEORGE WILLIAM CARRINGTON, Grand Secretary for the year 1895. Masonic record not given. Died February 4, 1913.

MASTERS OF ILLINOIS LODGES.

Bro. William Adams, Master of Valley Lodge No. 547 for one year, date not given. Died November 22, 1912.

Bro. S. D. Anderson, Master of Englewood Lodge No. 690 for the years 1884 and 1885. Died September 4, 1912.

Bro. William Paley Askins, Master of Hope Lodge No. 162 for the years 1875, 1876, 1877, 1885, 1886, 1890, 1891 and 1904. Died November 12, 1912.

Bro. Adolph Arnold, Master of Lessing Lodge No. 557 for the years 1894, 1895 and 1896. Died August 6, 1912.

Bro. Samuel H. Bradley, Master Mendon Lodge No. 449. Term of office not given, records burned. Died March 3, 1913.

Bro. John W. Bronnugh, Master of Ark & Anchor Lodge No. 354. Term of office not given. Died February 17, 1913.

Bro. John W. Brown, Master of Muddy Point Lodge No. 396 for one year. No date given. Died February 28, 1913.

Bro. William R. Browning, Master of Benton Lodge No. 64 for the year 1890. Died September 9, 1912.

Bro. Thomas M. Butler, Master A. W. Rawson Lodge No. 145 for the years 1871 and 1872. Died November 28, 1912.

Bro. James Charles Blair, Master of Lawn Lodge No. 815 for the years 1892 and 1893. Date of death not given.

Bro. John G. Beatty, Master of Doric Lodge No. 319 for the years 1882-1883-1884. Died January 18, 1913.

Bro. WILLIAM D. Brewster, Master of Prairie City Lodge No. 578, I year, no date given. Died, date not given.

Bro. J. P. Banjan, Master of Benevolent Lodge No. 52 for the years 1887, 1888, 1889 and 1890. Died October 15, 1912.

Bro. Joseph H. Blackman, Master of Stonefort Lodge No. 495 for the years 1889 and 1890. Died, date not given.

Bro. Eliakin S. Bartholomew, Master of Rockford Lodge No. 102 for the years 1886, 1887, 1888 and 1890. Died June 23, 1913.

Bro. William Bedford, Master of Minooka Lodge No. 528, date not given. Died September 23, 1912.

Bro. George M. Brosnihan, Master of Kenwood Lodge No. 800 for the year 1912. Died August 30, 1912.

Bro, Charles Catlin, Secretary Oriental Lodge No. 33. Died Thursday, January 23, 1913.

Bro. Edward Alfred Culver, Master of King Solomon's Lodge No. 197 for the years 1901 and 1903. Died November 6, 1912. A member of Greenfield Lodge No. 129 at time of death.

Bro. John C. Cushman, Master of A. O. Fay Lodge No. 676 for the years 1876, 1877, 1878, 1880 and 1887. Died June 4, 1913.

Bro. Azel E. Church, Master of Atlanta Lodge No. 165 for the years 1867 and 1872. Died May 19, 1913.

Bro. John Charney, Master of Fidelity Lodge No. 152 for the years 1882, 1886 and 1899. Died July 4, 1912.

Bro. OLIVER CRISSEY, Master of Avon Harmony Lodge No. 253 for the years 1871 and 1888. Died, date not given.

Bro. R. H. Campbell, Master of Marissa Lodge No. 881 for the year 1913. Died during term of office.

Bro. Charles M. Carpenter, Master of Seneca Lodge No. 532 for the years 1870 and 1871. Died January, 1913, day of month not given. Died at Rock Rapids, Iowa.

Bro. George Benjamin Carpenter, Master of Blaney Lodge No. 271 for the years 1868 and 1871. Died Dec. 11, 1912.

Bro. Ralph S. Coates, Master of LaFayette Lodge No. 657 for the years 1898 and 1902. Died May 10, 1913.

Bro. SAM COFFINBERRY, Master of Peoria Lodge No. 15 for the years 1897 and 1898; Grand Steward in 1897 and 1898; Grand Sword Bearer in 1899 and 1900. Died August 25, 1912.

Bro. Franz Michael Clettenberg, Master of Lessing Lodge No. 557 for the years 1883 and 1884. Died July 19, 1912.

Bro. Edward G. Cronk, Master of Union Park Lodge No. 610 for the year 1884. Died December 22, 1912.

Bro. James Monroe Dallas, Master of Jeffersonville Lodge No. 460 for the year 1905. Died May 3, 1912. Was affiliated with Fairfield Lodge No. 206 at time of death.

Bro. Ernest A. Dudenbostel, Master of Chester Lodge No. 72 for the year 1907. Died February 21, 1913.

Bro. John Daub, Master of Mithra Lodge No. 410 for the years 1893 and 1894. Died July 29, 1912.

Bro. E. H. Donaldson, Master of Fillmore Lodge No. 670 for three years, no dates given. Died January 20, 1913.

Bro. Clayton Edwin Emory, Master of Russell Lodge No. 154 for six months, date not given. Died June 28, 1913.

Bro. John David Elliott, Master of St. John's Lodge No. 126 of Dublin, Ireland, for the year 1872. Died March 13, 1913. Member of North Shore Lodge No. 937 at time of death.

Bro. Thomas A. Edmonston, Master of Camarga Lodge No. 440. Date of office not given. Died June 19, 1913.

Bro. Henry Clay Edwards, Master of Park Lodge No. 843 for the year 1889. Died November 1, 1912.

Bro. George Erwin, Master of Blazing Star Lodge No. 458 for the years 1905 to 1908 inclusive. December 31, 1912.

Bro. Robert C. Filson, Master of Friendship Lodge No. 7 for the year 1891. Died December 8, 1912.

Bro. Charles B. Frayser, Master of Cave in Rock Lodge No. 444 for the year 1907. Died May 4, 1913.

Bro. John Meek Finley, Master of Lakeside Lodge No. 739 for the year 1897. Died November 19, 1912.

Bro. Robert Francis, Master of Peoria Lodge No. 15 for the year 1875. Died December 16, 1912.

Bro. Abraham Fulkersom, Lavely Lodge No. 203. Office not given. Died November 11, 1912.

Bro. Estel Enoch Gilbert, Master of Thomas J. Turner Lodge No. 409 for the year 1894. Died February 4, 1913.

Bro. J. Otto Glaman, Master of D. C. Cregier Lodge No. 643 for the year 1903. Died March 20, 1913.

Bro. Joseph Gunsaul, Master of Lena Lodge No. 174 for the years 1887 and 1890. Died October 24, 1912.

Bro. Jacob Gadelman, Master of Melvin Lodge No. 811, dates not given. Died July 5, 1912.

Bro. Marlow Martin Goodale, Master Lincoln Park Lodge No. 611 for the year 1891. Served also as Secretary from 1880 to 1887 inclusive. Died April 25, 1913.

Bro. John F. Goodwin, Master of Rob. Morris Lodge No. 247 for five years, dates of office not given. Died March 16, 1913.

Bro. William Allen Grove, Master of Galva Lodge No. 243 for the years 1891, 1893, 1898 and 1902. Died January 8, 1913.

Bro. Franz Gendtner, Master of Accordia Lodge No. 277 for the years 1866 and 1867. Died February 1, 1913.

Bro. David Alfred Holmes, Master of A. O. Fay Lodge No. 676 for year 1893. Died September 21, 1912.

Bro. Harry B. Holmes, Master of Englewood Lodge No. 690 three months, date not given. Died March 29, 1913.

Bro. Henry W. Hitt, Master of Exeter Lodge No. 424 for the years 1872 and 1873. Died June 27, 1913.

Bro. Alfred Haigh, Master of Valley Lodge No. 547, date not given. Died December 3, 1912.

Bro. Charles Freeman Hitchcock, Master of Temple Lodge No. 46 for the years 1883 and 1884. Died October 26, 1912.

Bro. Sidney Breeze Ham, Master of Mt. Vernon Lodge No. 31 for the year 1906. Died November 9, 1912.

Bro. WILLIAM R. HENDRICKS, Master of Basco Lodge No. 618 for the years 1886 and 1887. Died June 15, 1913.

Bro. WILLIAM R. Jones, Master of Thomas J. Turner Lodge No. 409 for the year 1892. Died June 30, 1913.

Bro. James John, Master of Garden City Lodge No. 141 for the years 1878 and 1891. Died April 12, 1913.

Bro. Henry Franklin Kett, Master of Blaney Lodge No. 271 for the years 1890, 1891, 1892 and 1894. Died January 9, 1913.

Bro. James A. Keith, Master of Highland Lodge No. 583 for the years 1883, 1884 and 1886. Died March 13, 1913.

Bro. Samuel Loveridge, Master of Watseka Lodge No. 446 for the year 1903. Died July 3, 1912.

Bro. William J. Lafferty, Master of Woodlawn Park Lodge No. 841 for the years 1895 and 1896. Died September 2, 1912.

Bro. NATHANIEL LYNCH, Master of Marine Lodge No. 355 for one year, date of office not given. Died June 22, 1913.

Bro. George Moran Sefton, Master of Charleston Lodge No. 35 for the years 1887, 1888, 1889 and 1894. Died March 20, 1913.

Bro. George A. Lowman, Master of Toulon Lodge No. 93, dates not given, records burned; also date of death not given.

Bro. David D. Martin, Master of Ark & Anchor Lodge No. 354 for the year 1877. Died May 17, 1913.

Bro. Henry McCall, Master of Garden City Lodge No. 141 for the years 1886, 1887 and 1888. Died November 13, 1912.

Bro. Edward Ross Moffatt, Master Lincoln Park Lodge No. 611 for the year 1896. Died August 20, 1912.

Bro. Benjamin H. Mosher, Master of Buda Lodge No. 399 for the year 1903. Died June 15, 1913.

Bro. G. H. MITTAU, Master of Farmer City Lodge No. 710 for two years, dates not given. Died April 4, 1913.

Bro. John Joseph Michal, Master of Triple Lodge No. 835 for the years 1906 and 1907. Died May 16, 1913.

Bro. Martin R. McDonough, Master of Springfield Lodge No. 4 for the years 1907 and 1908. Died March 6, 1913.

Bro. Moses K. McDowell, Master of Gibson Lodge No. 733 for the years 1893 and 1894. Died May 8, 1913.

Bro. Harry Thompson Marlin, Master of Golden Rule Lodge No. 726 for the year 1911. Died December 9, 1912.

Bro. George P. Nelson; Master of Kenwood Lodge No. 800 for the year 1902. Died September 14, 1912.

Bro. Charles M. Oleson, Master of Golden Rule Lodge No. 726 for the year 1889. Died December 24, 1912.

Bro. Thomas W. Pritchell, Master of White Hall Lodge No. 80 for the years 1888 and 1889. Died January 20, 1913.

Bro. Morris Pflaumm, Master of Keystone Lodge No. 639 for the years 1876 and 1877. Died October 4, 1912.

Bro. James M. Parnie, Master of Pleiades Lodge No. 478 for the year 1908. Died February 13, 1913.

Bro. Amos Pletcher, Master of Albany Lodge No. 566 for eight years, term of office not given. Died August 25, 1912.

Bro. Harry Richards, Master of Dundee Lodge No. 190 for the year 1898. Died November 23, 1912.

Bro. ISAAC S. REID, Master of Mason Lodge No. 217 for one year, date not given. Died September 25, 1912.

Bro. Hermon Rethom, Master of Chandlerville Lodge No. 724, 14 years, dates not given. Died July 18, 1912.

Bro. Thomas C. Radbone, Master of Horeb Lodge No. 363 for the year 1903. Died May 23, 1913.

Bro. Elijah Ross, Master of Princeton Lodge No. 587 for the years 1886 and 1887 and in Walnut Lodge No. 722, date not given, and of Ohio Lodge No. 814 while under dispensation. Died April 28, 1913.

Bro. Asa Mather Royce, Master of Euclid Lodge No. 65 for the year 1905. Died March 30, 1913.

Bro. Friedrich Reese, Master of Mithra Lodge No. 410 for the years 1883 and 1884. Died January 16, 1913.

Bro. Herbert Emery Richards, Master of Wright's Grove Lodge No. 779 for the year 1910. Died April 14, 1913.

Bro. Matthew Robison, Master of Audalusia Lodge No. 516 for the year 1892. Died May 15, 1913.

Bro. Oscar Roese, Master of Pleiades Lodge No. 478 for the year 1901. Died February 16, 1913.

Bro. Thomas K. Ruggles, Master of Black Hawk Lodge No. 238 for the years 1860 to 1865 inclusive, 1871, 1872, 1876 and 1882. Date of death not given.

Bro. Daniel Strubler, Master of Euclid Lodge No. 65 for the year 1897. Died November 29, 1912.

Bro. Edwin Smith, Master of Bridgeport Lodge No. 386 for the year 1902. Died August 1, 1912.

Bro. Harry F. Smith, Master of Cass Lodge No. 23 for the years 1905, 1907 and 1910. Died January 15, 1913.

Bro. Francis Marion Smith, Master Maroa Lodge No. 454, for the years 1886, 1887 and 1900. Died March 7, 1913.

BRO. DANIEL STALEY, Master of Loami Lodge No. 450 for the years

1906 and 1907. Died July 31, 1912.

Bro. Chas. E. Tindall, Master of Edwardsville Lodge No. 99 for the year 1891. Died February 4, 1913.

Bro. George Henry Vaupell, Master of Garden City-Lodge No. 141

for the year 1896. Died August 19, 1912.

Bro. John A. Vance, Master of Edwardsville Lodge No. 99 for the year 1902. Died February 17, 1913.

Bro. Edward C. Watson, Master of Bromwell Lodge No. 451 for the years 1901 and 1902. Died September 13, 1912.

Bro. Edgar Nathaniel Winfield, Master of J. L. Anderson Lodge No. 318 for the years 1902 and 1903. Died April 20, 1913.

Bro. Samuel Widdowson, Master of Rockton Lodge No. 74 for 17 years, date not given. Died December 31, 1912.

Bro. WILLIAM F. Wood, Master of William B. Warren Lodge No. 209 for 1906. Died June 7, 1913. Dimitted from this lodge October 23, 1909.

Bro. John Joseph Wagner, Master of Hermon Lodge No. 39 for the year 1908. Died September 18, 1912.

Bro. Seth E. Walker, Master Raven Lodge No. 303 one year, date not given. Died January 7, 1913.

Bro. Edgar Norman Walker, Master of Corner Stone Lodge No. 875 for the year 1911. Died April 26, 1913.

Bro. D. H. Zepp, Master of Nokomis Lodge No. 456 for the years 1888, 1899, 1896, 1896, 1897, 1902, 1903, 1904 and 1905. Died October 19, 1912.

Bro. Bradford F. Thompson, Master of Toulon Lodge No. 93, dates not given, records burned, also date of death not given.

Bro. Lewis T. Wood, Master of Lacon Lodge No. 61 for the year 1909. Died January 29, year not given.

Bro. James C. Whelpley, Master of Princeville Lodge No. 360 for one year, date not given. Died January 9, 1913.

Bro. OLIVER NEWTON WALKER, Master of South Macon Lodge No. 467 for the year 1911. Died August 14, 1912.

Bro. George Benjamin Willan, Master of Prairie City Lodge No. 578 for 11 years, dates not given. Died December 27, 1912.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN C. WEIS, W. L. SHARP, Jos. WETZEL, Committee.

REPORT-Board of Grand Examiners.

The Board of Grand Examiners made the following report. It was adopted.

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

The Board of Grand Examiners to whom was referred that part of the Grand Master's address relating to intellectual Masonry, concur fully with the sentiments therein expressed, and would recommend that efforts in this direction be continued, and even broadened, if time and circumstances at the schools will permit.

ELMER E. BEACH,
ARTHUR E. WOOD,
C. L. GREGORY,
I. H. TODD,
EMMETT HOWARD,
Board of Grand Examiners.

REPORT-Committee to Examine Visitors.

The Committee to Examine Visitors made the following report. It was adopted.

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

Your Committee on Examination of Visitors beg leave 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.

> ELMER E. BEACH, ARTHUR E. WOOD, C. L. GREGORY, I. H. TODD, EMMETT HOWARD,

> > Committee.

AMENDMENT—To By-Laws—Proposed.

Bro. Elmer E. Beach offered an amendment to Sec. 3, Art. 6, Part one Grand Lodge By-Laws.

Amend Section 3, Article 6, Part 1, Grand Lodge By-Laws, by adding thereto the following:

"Where a surety company bond is given the fee therefore may be paid out of the Grand Lodge treasury."

Being seconded by the representatives of more than twenty lodges, it lies over until next year.

Also an amendment to Sec. 2, Art. 5, Part one Grand Lodge By-Laws.

Amend Section 2, Article 5, Part 1, Grand Lodge By-Laws, by adding thereto the following:

"Where a surety company bond is given the fee therefor may be paid out of the Grand Lodge treasury."

Being seconded by the representatives of more than twenty lodges, it lies over until next year.

AMOUNT OF BOND.

By resolution the bonds of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary were fixed at \$30,000.

REPORT-Special Committee.

M.W. Bro. Alexander H. Bell made a report from the committee appointed to take into consideration the endowment for Masonic Homes. It was adopted.

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

The undersigned who were appointed a committee to take into consideration, the questions discussed by the Grand Master in his report, with reference to the raising of an endowment for our Masonic Homes and with reference also to the form of gifts or bequests in aid of such homes, respectfully report as follows:

- 1st. Your committee is of the opinion that this Grand Lodge cannot undertake to raise an endowment out of its revenues or income.
- 2nd. That there is no objection to receiving funds contributed by individuals in aid of such homes as an endowment and such contributions are highly desirable. It is entirely feasible that private individuals by will or otherwise, contribute property or money and specify the purpose for which the same is contributed, and if it be specified that the property or money so contributed is to be used for the maintenance of our homes, or either of them, then this Grand Lodge can treat the same (if the terms of

the bequest so direct), as an endowment in aid of the same,—the income only to be expended and the principal to be preserved.

We recommend (should any bequests be made to it for the purpose of aiding our homes, or either of them, and if the terms of the bequest direct that only the income be employed for the maintenance of the same and the principal be preserved intact), that the Grand Lodge now pledges itself to accept the same upon such conditions and to preserve the principal undiminished. It is entirely proper, that any person by gift or devise, contributing property or money in aid of the homes or either of them, may, if desired, specify that the funds thus created shall be known and called by any name to be selected and designated by the person making such bequest.

The form of the devise of real estate by will should be as follows:

"I give and devise to The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois, the following described real estate." (Here describe the real estate.)

In case of the bequest of personal property by will, including monies, the form of bequest should be:

"I hereby give and bequeath to The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois, the sum of dollars." (Writing the amount so bequeathed or describing the personal property so given.)

If the party making such will desires that the fund shall be maintained separate from other funds and known and designated by any particular name or description, he may use language substantially as follows:

"And I direct that the property which I herein give to The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois, shall be by it preserved intact and shall be known and designated as * * * (here give the name or description of the fund as the testator desires it), and I direct that The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois aforesaid, shall use the income arising from such fund for the purpose of * * * (here state the purpose) but shall preserve the principal thereof undiminished."

Your committee is unable to specify in detail the exact form or language to be employed by any testator, as the same must vary according to the purpose of the testator and according to the limitations which he may desire to impose, but any grant by deed or devise or bequest by will, should be to this Grand Lodge by its corporate name of The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois"—and the particular limitations as to the manner in which the property given shall be used, must be left to the will and purpose of each individual who may choose so to give.

Any conveyance by deed of real estate to this Grand Lodge should be to this Grand Lodge by its corporate name of The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. H. Bell, Geo. M. Moulton, Wm. B. Wright, John C. Crawford, H. E. Hamilton,

Committee.

Bro. Geo. W. Pumphrey, Supt. of the Masonic Home at Sullivan, was introduced by the M.W. Grand Master.

LETTERS.

The Grand Secretary read the following letters:

Alameda, Cal., October, 1913.

Isaac Cutter, Grand Secretary:

My Dear Brother:—Another masonic year has passed and our Grand Lodge of Masons is in session again, but how changed must be the personnel of the session from what it was when I first attended the sessions. I would be highly pleased could I attend and see and grasp the hand of my brethren and feel the thrill of joy felt only when among true friends. Fortunate are those, who, when in the early period of their lives have formed true friends and have been able to retain them through life. A faithful and true friend is a living treasure, and is to be lamented when gone. How many grand, true, faithful ones have passed to the silent beyond the last few years! The masonic order is a wonderful institution, and God must have inspired our founders to make it the unit of all creeds. I have seen so much of the beauties of Masonry in my long and eventful life, that I know that a true, faithful masonic life is an ideal one. I never attend a lodge meeting without being bound more closely to humanity by fraternal bonds and spirit and feel the importance of serving God and my fellows. Masonry owes her place and power to the principles upon which she rests.

God has planted deep in man's nature a demand for society. This demand is so strong that neither the charms of poetry, nor the importance which some religions have thrown around solitude can prevent the lone one from sighing: "O solitude, where are the charms that sages have seen in thy face? Better dwell in the midst of alarms, than reign in this horrible place."

Beyond doubt, Jehovah designed that the human family should constitute a great loving brotherhood. Masonry is such, where nationality and

earthly fortune are subordinate to the primary law of God, that man is my brother, not because he is a child of wealth nor position, but because he is a man. And endowed with intelligence, sympathy and love, man needs something which shall sweeten the voice, check the hasty word, make the heart happier and the home a paradise. That is what we need. And that is what Masonry teaches.

She was the felt need of men in the quarries of toil, and comes to comfort man, and follow the steps of misfortune and plant roses in the pathway of humanity.

So long as her heaven born principles are the beacon lights which guide us as members of the craft, the ship of Masonry will outride every storm on the sea of life, and will go on with her labors of love, shedding comfort around the couch of want and suffering and whispering words of cheer to the burdened heart.

I return my thanks and best wishes to the officers and brethren of the M.W. Grand Lodge, Worshipful Masters, Wardens and Brethren of the constituent lodges of Illinois. Yours fraternally,

WILLIAM H. SCOTT.

Fargo, N. D., October 9, 1913.

Mr. Isaac Cutter, Grand Sec'y:

My Dear Brother:—Remembering that hereabouts is the annual gathering of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, of which I am the representative near the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, I desire to present my best wishes to the brethren of Illinois and the hopes of a splendidly instructive session.

The Grand Lodge of North Dakota met at Bismarck this year at which I was present and participated in the labors, and among some of the important business that was transacted there, was the establishment of a cottage for tubercular patients at Dunseith, N. D., and for which the grand bodies appropriated about \$6,500 for its erection and equipment.

We had a well attended session and transacted a large amount of business, and our reports show steady growth numerically and financially, and we believe morally. Fraternally yours,

E. GEO. GUTHRIE.

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	20
Past Grand Officers not otherwise enumerated	1
Representatives of other Grand Lodges not otherwise enumerated	30
District Deputy Grand Masters	50
Members of Committees	76
Representatives of lodges	023
Total	200
Number of lodges represented	788

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.

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.

Bro, Chester E. Allen, Alabama.

Bro. H. A. Snell, Alberta.

Bro. A. H. Scrogin, Arkansas.

Bro. Sylvester O. Spring, Canada.

Bro. John W. Swatek, Cuba.

Bro. L. A. Goddard, District of Columbia.

Bro. W: B. Wright, Indiana.

Bro. Robert J. Daly, Ireland.

Bro. George M. Moulton, Kansas.

Bro. Godfred Langhenry, Louisiana.

Bro. Amos Pettibone, Maine.

Bro. M. B. Iott, Maryland.

Bro. Joseph E. Dyas, Michigan.

Bro. R. H. Wheeler, Minnesota.

Bro. Franklin S. Catlin, Mississippi.

Bro. George A. Stadler, Missouri.

Bro. A. Jampolis, Nebraska.

Bro. John C. Weis, New Brunswick.

Bro. James B. McFatrich, North Carolina.

Bro. Roy K. Wheeler, Nova Scotia.

Bro, Frank E. Locke, Oregon.

Bro. E. D. Brothers, Prince Edward Island.

Bro. John Johnston, Quebec. Bro. J. R. Ennis, Queensland.

Bro. Albert B. Wicker, Rhode Island.

Bro. Ias. A. Steele. Saskatchewan.

Bro. Archibald Birse, Scotland.

Bro. Elmer E. Beach, South Carolina.

Bro. Alexander H. Bell, Tennessee.

Bro. Owen Scott, Utah.

Bro. I. H. Todd, Vermont.

Bro. H. T. Burnap, Western Australia.

Bro. John T. Campbell, West Virginia.

Bro. Chas. S. DeHart, United Grand Lodge of New South Wales.

GRAND OFFICERS.

The Grand Secretary read the list of elected and appointed officers:

HENRY T. BURNAP
RALPH H. WHEELER
AUSTIN H. SCROGIN
D. G. FITZGERRELL
LEROY A. GODDARD
ISAAC CUTTER
J. G. Wright
JAMES HAMILTON LEWIS
Geo. A. Stadler
F. J. EBERLEIN
Andrew McNally
C. J. Novak Brand Standard Bearer
D. W. Starr
S. S. Borden
C. F. TENNEY IV. Grand Steward
H. S. AlbinII'. Grand Steward
ALONZO ELLIS
C. M. Fike
CHESTER S. GURNEY

The Grand Master announced that the bonds of the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer were approved and had been filed with him.

INSTALLATION.

M.W. Bro. Delmar D. Darrah assisted by M.W. Bro. Geo. M. Moulton, as Grand Marshal, installed the officers.

M.W. Bro. Owen Scott presented the Jewel to the retiring Grand Master. He spoke as follows:

Most Worshipful Grand Master, I desire at this time, because it is the first opportunity, to welcome our distinguished brother, Delmar Duane Darrah, into the Ancient and Honorable Society of "Has Beens." In that connection permit me to say that it is very much better to be a "has been" than a "never was." In this, Brother Darrah will heartily concur. Brethren, you will remember that the Grand Master—now a Past Grand Master—in his report on Tuesday said something about the Past Grand Masters being on the platform and "shining." I desire to call your attention to the fact now that he will join this distinguished group as a "star" of the first magnitude. Some of you older brethren may remember in our school readers there was a little poem—

"Twinkle, twinkle little star, How I wonder what you are; Up above the world so high, Like a diamond in the sky.

"And when the blazing sun is set, And the grass with dew is wet, Then you show your little light, Twinkle, twinkle all the night."

In his presence I now move that the thanks of this Grand Lodge be expressed for the able, earnest administration that he has given us. (Carried by a rising, unanimous vote.)

Now Brethren, I have a very delightful duty—I would not say "duty," but privilege—to perform. I witnessed the very dawn of the masonic day of M.W. Bro. D. D. Darrah. I saw him initiated and passed to the degree of Fellow Craft. I have always felt glad that I took him by the hand and raised him to the sublime degree of Master Mason. I have watched the rising sun of his progress in Masonry. He became Master of his lodge, then District Deputy Grand Master and then he filled other important positions. Without question of fitness he was designated as the Pillar of

Beauty and then of Strength and then his sun rose to its meridian height when he stood before you as your Most Worshipful Grand Master. He stands on this day in the zenith of his masonic glory. The light that he has absorbed and shed all over this great state of ours, in the administration of his great office, has been of infinite advantage to the craft. Therefore it has come to me as a special privilege to present this symbol. "Masonry is a system of morality veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols." I therefore present to him this Past Grand Master's jewel on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Illinois. I am very pleased to have the opportunity of placing upon his breast this symbol of a life of devotion to humanity in the great brotherhood of Masonry.

If the spirits of the departed can know what is going on in this world, the soul of his great, glorified father is looking down at this moment upon us, filled with the great satisfaction by hearing you say to his son, "well done, thou good and faithful servant." This symbol I take more than ordinary pleasure in pinning upon the breast of my brother and congratulate him upon the great success of his masonic achievements and service to the craft.

Brother Darrah responded as follows:

Brethren of the Grand Lodge: After the remarks of M.W.Brother Scott, I find that I lack strength and sufficient command over myself to say to you what is in my heart. I am overwhelmed by your expressions of confidence, your kindness and the many splendid things that you have said and done for me. I cannot express surprise at receiving this jewel because I know it has been the custom of the Grand Lodge to bestow such gifts in the closing hour of the annual meeting. I had no assurance, however, that I would receive this beautiful jewel and I am deeply grateful for the remembrance. It is the first jewel of symbolic Masonry that I have ever possessed. It was never my good fortune to have a Past Master's jewel and I assure you that I shall wear this one with pride and satisfaction. It is a beautiful jewel, brethren, and I appreciate it, but I am going back to my home in Bloomington with a jewel that is worth far more to me than this bauble you have given me this morning—a jewel which I know will grow brighter and more beautiful with the advancing years, and that is the jewel of friendship.

> "For the friends thou hast and their adoption tried, Grapple them to thy soul with hoops of steel."

On being installed into the office of M.W. Grand Master M.W. Brother Burnap spoke as follows:

Brethren of the Grand Lodge: My predecessors on occasions similar to the present seem to have exhausted the vocabulary in expressions of appreciation of and gratitude for, the great honor you have today conferred upon me. There seems to be no original form of expression left in which I may convey to you my gratitude and appreciation.

When six years ago the representatives of the constituent lodges of Illinois elevated me to the position of Junior Grand Warden, I gave little thought to the possible approach of the present hour; but as the years have gone by, and I have come to the realization of the fact that if the usual precedents were not violated, I should some day occupy the position of Grand Master, I have been overwhelmed with feelings of diffidence and fear. Brethren, I fully realize today the responsibilities which have been placed upon me and the great honor you have conferred.

When I look back upon the long line of my distinguished predecessors and realize that by the high standard set by them, my administration is to be judged, my heart almost fails me. It will be only by the aid of Almighty God and your generous support that I shall be able to succeed: for the former I reverently pray, and the latter I most sincerely ask. Brethren, I realize to some extent, at least, the difficulties and perplexities which confront me. I shall probably make mistakes, and if I do, I ask for your generous consideration and indulge the hope that you will judge with candor, admonish with friendship and reprehend with justice.

In conclusion, I desire to take advantage of this opportunity to extend to Past Grand Master Darrah my sincere and heartfelt thanks for many courtesies shown me, personally, and for the official recognition which he has accorded me in my capacity as Deputy Grand Master. On many occasions he has done me the honor to consult me with reference to matters touching the best interests and welfare of the craft; he has frequently asked for my opinion, sometimes for my advice, and while neither may have been of any assistance or value, yet I have appreciated the courtesy and, to him, in your presence, I desire to express my profound gratitude.

Brethren, again I thank you.

On the occasion of installing Bro. Chas. F. Tenney as Grand Steward, the Grand Marshal announced that Brother Tenney had been attending Grand Lodge for fifty years.

INVITATION.

M.W. Bro. Geo. M. Moulton invited the brethren to attend the 29th annual meeting of the Masonic Veterans' Association to be held in Chicago, October 29.

COMMITTEES.

The Grand Secretary read the list of brethren comprising the standing and special committees.

JURISPRUDENCE.-

Monroe C. Crawford, Jonesboro, Chairman. Edward Cook, 29 S. La Salle St., Chicago. Wm. B. Wright, Effingham. Chester E. Allen, Galesburg. Albert B. Ashley, Spring Lake, Mich.

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES .--

Joseph E. Dyas, Paris, Chairman. John B. Fithian, Joliet. Wm. E. Hadley, Edwardsville. Chas. H. Martin, Bridgeport. Wm. Elmer Edwards, 5223 Race St., Chicago.

CHARTERED LODGES .-

Phil C. Barclay, Cairo, Chairman. Jas. McCredie, Aurora. E. W. Peterson, 5958 Midway Park, Chicago. S. M. Schoemann, McLeansboro. L. L. Emmerson, Mt. Vernon.

Lodges U. D.—

H. A. Snell, Litchfield, Chairman. John Johnston, 233 Lake St., Chicago, Albert Jampolis, 3738 Rokeby St., Chicago, Chas. L. Davis, 12th and State, E. St. Louis. R. H. Bell, Carlinville.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.—

 H. T. Goddard, Mt. Carmel, Chairman. Geo, W. Cyrus, Camp Point. Anthony Doherty, Clay City.
 T. S. Browning, Benton.
 H. M. Palmer, McLean.

FINANCE.--

D. D. Darrah, Bloomington, Chairman, S. O. Spring, Peoples Gas Bldg., Chicago. Thos. A. Stevens, 19 N. State St., Chicago.

Correspondence.—

Owen Scott, Decatur,

TRUSTEES FOR MASONIC HOMES .-

Robert J. Daly, 3214 Polk Street, Chicago. W. A. Dixon, Decatur.

Geo. M. Moulton, Masonic Temple, Chicago.

Jas. A. Steele, Sullivan. Henry W. Berks, Champaign.

R. C. Fletcher, LaGrange.

OBITUARIES.—

Jason R. Lewis, 431 S. Dearborn St., Chicago, Chairman. Joseph Wetzel, Bloomington.

L. Cavwood, Alton.

BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS.—

Elmer E. Beach, 1501 Ashland Block, Chicago, Chairman. Arthur E. Wood, Gibson City.

C. L. Gregory, Aledo. I. H. Todd, E. St. Louis. Emmett Howard, Quincy.

CREDENTIALS.-

N. B. Carson, Bloomington, Chairman.

G. E. Carlson, Moline.

H. H. Montgomery, Carrollton. C. H. Thompson, Mt. Vernon. J. M. Willard, Decatur.

NEW LEGISLATION.—

A. H. Bell, Carlinville, Chairman.—3 years.

A. M. Otman, Peoria.—2 years. J. B. McFatrich, Masonic Temple, Chicago.— 1 year.

Petitions.—

J. E. Jeffers, Arcola, Chairman.

A. W. West, Galesburg. John C. Weis, Peoria.

LIBRARIES.-

Roy K. Wheeler, Masonic Temple, Chicago, Chairman. Geo. W. Pumphrey, Sullivan. J. M. Hannum, LaGrange.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS .-

M. B. Iott, 4550 Beacon St., Chicago, Chairman, R. W. King, 5113 Michigan Ave., Chicago.

A. W. Gage, Hartford Bldg., Chicago.

SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY.—

L. A. Goddard, State Bank of Chicago, Chicago, Chairman.

Wm. B. Wright, Effingham.

Chester E. Allen, Galesburg. Alexander H. Bell, Carlinville.

D. D. Darrah, Bloomington.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MUSIC.—

Geo. J. Kurzenknabe, 4516 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago, Chairman. Ralph E. Libberton, cor. 75th and Drexel Ave., Chicago. F. J. Knowles, 705 W. Van Buren St., Chicago. W. P. Jones, Tolono. E. C. Mullen, 120 N. Oak Park Ave., Oak Park.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON HOSPITALS .-

Owen Scott, Decatur, Chairman. Irving Schoeman, Federal Bldg., Chicago. W. E. Buehler, 64 E. Van Buren St., Chicago.

Note.—At the close of Grand Lodge the usual check for mileage and per diem was sent to Bro. Lawrence Y. Sherman, Grand Orator. He returned it with the request that it be applied to some worthy charity. It has been turned over to the Trustees of Masonic Homes.

The minutes were then read and approved.

CLOSED.

At 12:30 p. m. no further business appearing, the M.W. Grand Master closed the M.W. Grand Lodge in AMPLE FORM.

GRAND MASTER. ATTEST

M. W. Grand Master's Address, 300 Freemason Hall, ALTON, ILLINOIS.



APPENDIX

DISTRICTS AND DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS
GRAND LECTURERS
REPRESENTATIVES
DETAILED REPORT OF GRAND MASTER'S OFFICE
DETAILED REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

DISTRICTS AND DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

FOR THE YEARS 1913-14.

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District	NAMES.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	COUNTIES COMPOSING DISTRICT.
1	Maxwell Levy	Chicago 1632 W. Kinzie St.	Lodges Nos. 33, 271, 409, 524, 642, 697, 751, 776, 795, 818, 843, 863, 878, 890, 899, 914, 924, 944, 958.
2	Harry W. Harvey.	Chicago	Lodges Nos. 81, 277, 410, 526, 643, 711, 758, 777, 797, 819, 850, 864, 879, 891, 900, 915, 926, 947, 961.
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, 962.
4	T. M. Avery	Chicago Chamber of Com. Bldg.	Lodges Nos. 160, 310, 422, 557, 669, 717, 767, 780, 804, 836, 854, 869, 882, 894, 907, 917, 931, 954, 964.
5	David D. King	Chicago 3002 Lake Park Ave.	Lodges Nos. 182, 311, 437, 610, 674, 726, 768, 783, 810, 839, 855, 873, 887, 895, 908, 921, 937, 955, 966.
6	Wm. H.Bied	Chicago6048 Langley Ave.	Lodges Nos. 209, 314, 478, 611, 686, 731, 770, 784, 813, 841, 860, 875, 888, 896, 909, 922, 938, 956.
7	C. F. Newkirk	Chicago4313 Hermitage Ave.	Lodges Nos. 211, 393, 508, 639, 690, 739, 774, 789, 815, 842, 862, 876, 889, 897, 913, 923, 943, 957.
8	C. J. Wightman	Gray's Lake	McHenry and Lake.
9	C. L. Snyder	Freeport	Boone, Winnebagoand Stephenson
	J. L. Brearton		Jo Daviess and Carroll.
11	B. A. Cottlow	Oregon	DeKalb and Ogle.
12	D. M. Baird		Kane, Kendall and DuPage.
13	John D. Charters	Ashton	Whiteside and Lee.
14	Milton T. Booth	Atkinson	Henry and Rock Island.
	F. H. Bradley		Bureau, Putnam and Marshall.
16	Wm. H. Barnard	Ottawa	LaSalle.
17		1	Will and Grundy.
18	W. I. Holcomb	the second secon	Kankakee and Iroquois.
	W. A. Hoover		Livingston and Ford.
	Chas. H. Ireland		Peoria and Woodford.
	E. J. Tye		Knox and Stark.
	D. E. Farr		Mercer, Warren and Henderson.
	L. M. Morton	Canton	McDonough and Fulton.
	E. M. Crain		Hancock and Schuyler.
	B. I. Pumpelly		Tazewell and Logan.
	Nimrod Mace		McLean.
	C. L. Sandusky		Vermillon.
	1	Urbana	Champaign and Piatt.
		Decatur	
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3 3	J. L. Klemme	Quincy	Adams.
		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	Geo. N. Todd	Mattoon	Coles, Douglas and Moultrie.
39	J. I. Brydon	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.
43	John W. Costley	Granite City	Clinton and Madison.
44	H. L. Browning	East St. Louis	St. Clair, Monroe and Randolph.
45	Keith Strattan	Mt. Vernon	Washington, Jefferson, Franklin and Perry.
46	J. R. Ennis	Burnt Prairie	Lawrence, Edwards, Wabash and White.
47	R. C. Davenport	Harrisburg	Hamilton, Saline and Gallatin.
		Carbondale	
			Johnson, Union and Alexander.
			Hardin, Pope, Massac and Pulaski.

Wm. Arens, care Jackson Park P. O. Sta., Chicago.

District Deputy Grand Master for German speaking lodges in the 2d, 4th, 5th, 20th, and 26th Districts.

GRAND LECTURERS.

For the Year 1913-1914

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REPRESENTATIVES.

OF THE M. W. GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES.

GRAND LODGE.	REPRESENTATIVE.	RESIDENCE.
Alberta	Wm. G. Ibbotson	Edmonton
Alabama	W. W. Daffin	Grove Hill
Arizona	Artemus Louden Grow.	Tombstone
Arkansas	Geo. Thomburgh	Little Rock
British Columbia	W. W. Northcott	Victoria
Canada	Abraham Shaw	Kingston, Ont.
Colorado	Henry M. Teller	Central City
	Geo. E. Parsons	Norwich
	Juan B. Hernandez Barreiro	Havana
	Geo. M. Jones	Dover
District of Columbia	L. Cabel Williamson	Washington
England	Walter Henry Harris	London
Florida	James C. Craver	Sutherland
Georgia Holland	Wm. H. Chaffee Hermon Snyders	Tallapoosa Middelberg
Hana	Albert B. Moss	Payette
	B. M. Wiloughby	Vincennes
Ireland	Obadiah Ternan	Dublin
Kansas	Obadiah Ternan Matthew M. Miller	Topeka
Lonisiana	Chas. F. Buck	New Orleans
Manitoba	John Leslie	Winnipeg
Maine	William R. G. Estes	Skowhegan
Marvland	John L. Sanford	
Michigan	Arthur M. Hume	Owosso
Minnesota	A. T. Stebbins	Rochester
Mississippi	Frederic Speed	Vicksburg
Missouri	W. F. Johnson	Boonville
Montana	O. F. Wasmansdorff	Lewiston
Nebraska	George H. Thummel	Omaha
Netherlands		The Hague
Nevada	Charles E. Mack	Virginia Saint John
New Brunswick	Sewell W. Abbot	Wolfboro
New Jersey	Jos A Gaskill	Mount Holly
New York	Jos. A. Gaskill	115 Broadway, N. Y. City
New Zealand	Murdock McLean	Auckland
North Carolina	Theo D. Heart	Raleigh
North Dakota	E. George Guthrie	Fargo
Nova Scotia	E. George Guthrie Theo. A. Cossman	Halifax
Ohio	O. P. Sperra	Ravenna
Oklahoma	Frank W. Anderson	Waurika
Oregon	W. T. Wright	Union
Porto Rico		
Philippine Islands		Charlettatana D. El Y
Prince Edward Island	Samuel Lowe	Charlottetown P. E. I.
Quebec	H. Edgar Channell Chas. H. Harley	Stansteåd, P.Q. Brisbane
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Sackatchewan	Newton D. Arnold Geo. W. Bilbrough Wm. Brownlie John Trail McLean	Regina
Scotland	Wm Brownije	Dumfries
South Australia	John Trail McLean	Adelaide
South Carolina	John F. Ficken	Charleston
South Dakota	John F. Ficken Robert Burton	Rapids City
Tasmania	Rev. Wm. Hoggs	*************************
Tennessee	Chas. Comstock	Nashville
Texas	R. L. Ball	San Antonio
	A. Scott Chapman	Salt Lake City
	Delos M. Bacon	St. Johnsbury Center
Virginia	Wm. L. Andrews	Roanoke
wasnington	John H. Shaw	Spokane
western Australia	Frank R. Perret	Perth New Martineville
West Virginia	Thos. P. Jacob	New Martinsville Milwaukee
Wisconsin United Grand Lodge	Charles C. Rogers	minauacc
of Victoria	Edward Edwards	Melbourne
United Grand Lodge		

REPRESENTATIVES.

OF OTHER GRAND LODGES NEAR THE GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS

REPRESENTATIVE.	RESIDENCE.
H. A. Snell	Litchfield
Chester E. Allen	Galesburg
Monroe C. Crawford	Jonesboro
A. H. Scrogin	Lexington
Jas. McCredie	Aurora
Sylvester O. Spring	Peoples Gas Bldg., Chicago
	410 So. Michigan Ave., Ohicago
	Foot of Rush St., Chicago
John W. Swatek	11 So. LaSalle Ave., Chicago
William S. Cantrell	Benton
Ichr C Smith Ir	State Bank of Chicago, Chicago
Chae H Parkee	Riverside
A F Wood	1910 Lincoln Ave., Chicago Gibson City
C M Borchers	Decatur
R R Jampolie	3838 Grand Ave., Chicago
W B Wright	Effingham.
Robert J. Daly	3214 Polk St., Chicago
George M. Moulton	Masonic Temple, Chicago
Godfred Langhenry	58 W. Washington St. Chicago
Amos Pettibone	58 W. Washington St., Chicago 27 N. Desplaines St., Chicago
Hugh R. Stewart	455 W. 60th St., Chicago
M. B. Jott	4550 Beason St., Chicago
Joseph E. Dyas	Paris
R. H. Wheeler	8 N. State St., Chicago
Franklin S. Catlin	164 W. Washington St., Chicago
George A. Stadler	Decatur
A. B. Ashlev	Decatur
A. Jampolis	3738 Rokeby St., Chicago
TAT T Treatetion	Decatur
John C. Weis	Peoria
Henry E. Hamilton	Chicago
Joseph D. Everett	102 So. Market St., Chicago
Isaac Cutter	Camp Point
Wm. O. Butler	La Harpe
James B. McFatrich	Masonic Temple, Chicago
iGeo. W. Waivelle	Masonic Temple, Chicago
Roy K. Wheeler	Masonic Temple, Chicago
S. S. Chance	Salem
Emply E. Logly	Bloomington
Commons C Bordon	125 N. Peoria St., Chicago 5168 Michigan Ave., Chicago
Somuel M. Frankland	Chicago
E D Prothers	39 So. LaSalle St., Chicago
Iohn Johnston	233 Lake St., Chicago
J R Ennis	Burnt Prairie
Albert B. Wickert	Franklin Gr've
Jas. A. Steele	Sullivan
Archibald Birse	19 W. Huron St. Chicago
Elmer E. Beach	1501 Ashland Blk., Chicago
William L. Milligan	Ottawa
Robert L. McKinlav - I	Paris
H. W. Harvey	7211 University Ave., Chicago
Alexander H. Bell	Carlinville.
C. M. Forman	East St. Louis.
Owen Scott	Decatur.
I. H. Todd	E. St. Louis
Frank W. Burton	Carlinville
wm J. Fullerton	Ottawa
H. T. Burnap	300 Freemason's Hall, Alton
John T Campbell	100 State St., Chicago
David D. King	3002 Lake Park Ave., Chicago
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Chas. S. DeHart	Carthage
	H. A. Snell Chester E. Allen Monroe C. Crawford A. H. Scrogin Jas. McCredie Sylvester O. Spring Albert Roullier R. F. Church John W. Swatek William S. Cantrell L. A. Goddard John C. Smith Jr. Chas. H. Parkes A. E. Wood C. M. Borchers R. R. Jampolis W. B. Wright Robert J. Daly George M. Moulton Godfred Langhenry Amos Pettibone Hugh R. Stewart M. B. Iott Joseph E. Dyas R. H. Wheeler Franklin S. Catlin George A. Stadler A. B. Ashley A. Jampolis W. J. Hostetler John C. Weis Henry E. Hamilton Joseph D. Everett Isaac Cutter Wm. O. Butler James B. McFatrich Geo. W. Warvelle Roy K. Wheeler S. S. Chance D. D. Darrah Frank E. Locke Seymour S. Borden Samuel M. Frankland E. D. Brothers John Johnston J. R. Ennis Albert B. Wickert Jas. A. Steele Archibald Birse Elmer E. Beach William L. Milligan Robert L. McKiniay H. W. Harvey Alexander H. Bell. C. M. Forman Owen Scott I. H. Todd Frank W. Burton Wm J. Fullerton H. T. Burnap. John T Campbell David D. King

Detailed Report *of the*Business *of the* Grand Master's Office

October 1912 to October 1913

Together With

Official Documents and Reports of
District Deputy Grand Masters and Board of
Grand Examiners

OFFICIAL PAPERS.

EDICT.

To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of all Constituent Lodges A.F. and A.M., throughout this Grand Jurisdiction, Greeting:

At the meeting of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, held in the City of Chicago, October 8, 9, 10, 1912, the Grand Master called attention to the habit of smoking during the conferring of the several degrees and suggested that something should be done to stop a practice which is not only offensive to many members of the fraternity, but which at the same time, destroys the dignity and impressiveness of the several degrees.

The matter was referred to the Committee on Chartered Lodges, which reported as follows: "We emphatically declare ourselves in favor of the adoption of that portion of the address of the Grand Master relative to smoking in open lodge during the conferring of any degree, and your committee recommends that the Most Worshipful Grand Master issue an Edict to that effect." The report was adopted.

Therefore, in compliance with the above action of the Grand Lodge, I, Delmar D. Darrah, Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois, by virtue of the power in me vested by the Grand Lodge, do issue and promulgate this my edict prohibiting smoking in open lodge during the conferring of any part of the several degrees. It is particularly enjoined upon all members of the fraternity to use their best endeavors toward securing a cheerful obedience to this edict.

Masters of lodges are hereby charged with the enforcement of the above edict and will be held strictly responsible for the violation of any of its restrictions.

It is hereby ordered that this edict be read in full in open lodge at the first stated meeting after it shall be received and that it shall be entered in full upon the records of each lodge as a part of the proceedings of said lodge at the meeting at which it is read.

Given under my hand and seal of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge this 25th day of October, A. D. 1912, A. L. 5912.

Delmar D. Darrah,

Grand Master.

ISAAC CUTTER,

Grand Secretary.

UNIFORM RECEIPTS.

To the Worshipful Masters, Wardens and Brethren of all Constituent Lodges, A.F. and A.M. in the State of Illinois—Greeting:

At the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of Illinois just held, a uniform receipt for dues was adopted, which it is expected that all lodges in Illinois will use.

It is now but about thirty days until the annual election of officers will take place in the lodges of the state, at which time a great many will pay their dues and expect receipts for the current and coming year. Also it has been found that many secretaries have already provided themselves with receipts for use at that time.

Inasmuch as it is utterly impossible to provide all the lodges of the state with this uniform receipt by December 1st, and as some time will be required in deciding upon and securing the best form to be used, it has been deemed advisable not to put the uniform receipt into general use until December 1, 1913. This will give sufficient time to prepare the receipts and place them in the hands of the lodges for use at that time.

In the meantime secretaries will be permitted to issue their present form of receipt. Fraternally yours,

Delmar D. Darrah,

Grand Master.

ISAAC CUTTER,

Grand Secretary.

LETTER OF INFORMATION.

To the Worshipful Masters, Wardens and Brethren of All Constituent Lodges A.F. and A.M. in the State of Illinois—Greeting:

INSTALLATIONS.

At the last session of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, held in the city of Chicago, October 8, 9 and 10, the Most Worshipful Grand Master recommended that the law relating to installations be construed to require that the installation of officers of a Constituent Lodge shall take place within thirty days following the annual election.

The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, to whom the matter was referred, concurred in the above recommendation and directed that the same be adopted as a requirement of the Grand Lodge.

In consideration of the above action, it is hereby enjoined upon all lodges to hold their installation of officers within thirty days following the annual election

BLACK BALLS.

The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence also reported as follows: "Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence approves of the holding of the Grand Master that one-half of the ballots in the ballot box shall be black and that a sufficient number of ballots be used so that the business may be properly conducted."

It is hereby ordered that all lodges in Illinois at once supply their ballot boxes with an equal number of black and white ballots (balls or cubes). Thirty days from this date will be allowed for complying with the above requirements, and at the expiration of that time no Master shall spread the ballot in his lodge until such time as the ballot box has been properly equipped.

District Deputy Grand Masters will make the ballot box of each lodge a matter of official inspection and promptly report to this office such as are not found to be properly supplied with white and black ballots.

Given under my hand and the seal of the M.W. Grand Lodge, this 25th day of October, A. D. 1912, A.L. 5912.

Attest:

Delmar D. Darrah,

Grand Master.

ISAAC CUTTER,

Grand Secretary.

CIPHER RITUALS.

To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of All Constituent Lodges, A.F. and A.M., throughout this Grand Jurisdiction—Greeting:

In his annual address to the Grand Lodge October 8, 1912, the Grand Master called attention to the large number of cipher rituals in constant use throughout the state in open defiance to heretofore published edicts of Grand Masters bearing upon that subject, and suggested that vigorous efforts should be put forth to stamp out the evil.

Upon reference to the Board of Grand Examiners the following report was made:

"The committee, therefore recommend that the vigorous measures adopted by the Grand Master to stamp out the evil of Cipher Rituals be approved by the Grand Lodge, and that the possession or use of a Cipher Ritual be declared to be a masonic offense deserving and requiring prompt and severe punishment.

In order that all may know what the action of this Grand Lodge has been upon the subject, attention is called to the following edict issued on the third day of May, 1880, by Most Worshipful Bro. Theodore T. Gurney, then Grand Master of Masons, and approved by the Grand Lodge, to-wit:

"That any member or members of lodges within this grand jurisdiction or any sojourning or unaffiliated Masons, who shall vend or in any manner distribute any printed publication or manuscript representing it or them, directly or indirectly, as rituals of Masonry, shall be promptly arraigned and if found guilty, shall receive the most severe punishment known to our laws. And it is further ordered that any member of a lodge, or any sojourner or unaffiliated Mason, as aforesaid, who shall be found in possession of any such publication or manuscript in any lodge hall of this jurisdiction, or in any anteroom or other apartments thereunto appertaining and after the promulgation of this edict, shall, upon conviction be adjudged guilty of a violation thereof and shall be punished as heretofore directed. And it is further ordered that Masters, officers, or members of lodges, who shall employ said publications or manuscript as of authority, in the work or other exercises of our lodges, shall, upon conviction for such offense, be expelled from the fraternity."

On the 10th day of April, 1806, Most Worshipful Bro. Owen Scott then Grand Master of Masons in Illinois, reaffirmed and promulgated the above edict and declared that all persons so offending should be subject to all the penalties above described.

April 25, 1899, Most Worshipful Bro. Edward Cook, then Grand Master of Masons in Illinois, issued an edict in which he declared as follows:

"The sale, distribution, use, or possession of any pretended exposes, or of any written or printed form of the esoteric work is not only a violation of obligation but is also in direct disregard of the edict of Grand Master Scott on this subject, issued April 10, 1896, to which your attention is called, and which is in full force and authority."

Three edicts having now been issued upon the subject of Cipher Rituals, it should not at this time be necessary to promulgate another. The attention of every Mason in Illinois is called to the action already taken by the Grand Lodge upon the subject and which is today in full force and effect. Not only is the possession of a Cipher Ritual a masonic offense, but knowledge of the possession of such a document by another which is not made known to the proper authorities will be construed as an equal evidence of guilt and will be made the basis of charges of conduct upmasonic

Masters of lodges are hereby ordered to purge their lodges by placing on trial all members who may be known to have in their possession or to make use in any way of Cipher Rituals or other books and documents purporting to contain the secret work of this jurisdiction.

District Deputy Grand Masters are directed to exercise a strict supervision over their respective districts and to see that all provisions relating to the presence and use of Cipher Rituals are strictly complied with.

In order that none may pretend ignorance of the laws of this Grand Lodge upon the subject of Cipher Rituals, it is hereby ordered that this letter of warning and orders be read in full at the first stated meeting after it is received and thereafter once every three months until the next annual meeting of the Grand Lodge.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge the 25th day of October, A. D. 1912, A. L. 5912.

Attest:

ISAAC CUTTER,

Delmar D. Darrah,
Grand Master.

Grand Secretary.

EXEMPLIFICATION OF REVISED WORK

To the Grand Officers, District Deputy Grand Masters, Grand Lecturers, Worshipful Masters, Wardens and Brethren of all Constituent Lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction—GREETING:

Dear Brethren:—At the last meeting of the Grand Lodge of Illinois a committee was appointed "to determine just what is the ritual of this Grand Jurisdiction, and to suggest such changes and grammatical corrections as may seem wise or necessary with a view if possible of eliminating every grammatical error and apparent inconsistency, and removing any temptation for future tinkering."

This committee has had several long and tedious sessions and are now prepared to present the result of their labors. As no printed copies can be made of such changes and alterations as have been considered, and as the task of getting these matters properly before the craft is a difficult one, it has been deemed best to exemplify the work with proposed changes at the both the State and District Schools for 1913.

The Board of Grand Examiners and those in charge of the State and District Schools will therefore exemplify the work as it is proposed, so that all may become acquainted with such changes as are suggested, and may understand thoroughly just what the work of the committee has been. There will be no work upon actual candidates at any of the State or District State Schools during 1913.

District Deputy Grand Masters, Grand Officers and Lodge Officers are urged to attend these schools that they may become thoroughly acquainted with the full scope of the committee's work and thereby be prepared to act intelligently when the matter is presented to the Grand Lodge this fall for its formal adoption.

Fraternally yours,

Delmar D. Darrah,

Grand Master.

APPEAL FOR FLOOD SUFFERERS.

April 8, 1913.

To the Craft of Illinois:

The flood conditions along the Ohio River in Southern Illinois have brought affliction and disaster to the people resident in that territory. Among them are many members of the masonic fraternity who have lost all their earthly possessions. It is needless at this time to rehearse the frightful devastation which has been wrought, the full details of which have been given in the public press.

To relieve the distressed is a duty incumbent on all men, but particularly upon Masons, who profess to be linked together by an indissoluble chain of sincere affections. Lodges and brethren of Illinois are therefore called upon to contribute to the extent of their ability for the relief of those members of the craft in Southern Illinois who have suffered by reason of the present flooded condition of that section of the state. Immediate action is necessary in order that prompt relief may be afforded.

For the purpose of receiving such funds as may be collected, I have appointed a committee consisting of Brethren Phil C. Barclay, Cairo, as chairman; Leroy A. Goddard, Chicago, Grand Treasurer; E. J. Cowling, Metropolis, and J. C. Davenport, Harrisburg.

Forward all contributions to Leroy A. Goddard, Grand Treasurer, State Bank of Chicago. Fraternally yours,

ISAAC CUTTER,

Grand Secretary.

Delmar D. Darrah,
Grand Master.

CARD INDEX SYSTEM.

July 10, 1913.

To the Secretaries:

The Grand Secretary has been ordered to place in his office a complete card index system for keeping the individual masonic record of all members of Illinois lodges.

The installation of this system is a big task, as much of the necessary data for filling in the cards is not in possession of the Grand Secretary and can only be secured from the secretaries of the constituent lodges.

When this system is once installed and the data gathered, it will be a very easy matter for the Grand Secretary to keep it up from information secured from the annual returns each year.

It is hereby ordered that the secretaries of lodges in Illinois shall furnish to the Grand Secretary upon cards, supplied by him for that purpose, such information as records of the constituent lodges may afford concerning all Masons who are members of Illinois lodges June 1, 1913. All such cards to be properly filled in and returned to the Grand Secretary for proper filing by October 1, 1913.

Witness my hand and seal of the Grand Lodge this 10th day of July, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, Grand Master.

ISAAC CUTTER,

Grand Secretary.

The Index Cards are going to you today by parcels post. Please be on the lookout for them. Please return the surplus cards to me.

GRAND SECRETARY.

UNIFORM RECEIPTS.

Bloomington, Ill., July 10, 1913.

To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of all Constituent Lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction Greeting:

Dear Brethren:—At the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, held October last, a uniform receipt for dues was adopted and the use of the same made obligatory upon all lodges in Illinois. Considerable time has been spent in investigating and experimenting upon the subject and the result has been that a form of receipt has been devised which, it is believed, will meet the approval of all.

These receipts will be furnished to lodges at actual cost. All receipts will be supplied with the name, number and location of the lodge printed in to insure uniformity. All orders must be sent to the Grand Secretary and be accompanied by draft, express or P. O. money order, covering cost of the receipts. No accounts will be opened with lodges for these receipts, nor will any orders be filled unless payment accompanies the order.

Secretaries may commence issuing these receipts as soon as they obtain same. It is ordered, however, that on and after September 30, 1013, all receipts shall be of the form adopted by the Grand Lodge.

Price list of receipts accompany this letter and should be preserved for future reference.

It is ordered that this letter be read in full at the first stated meeting after its receipt and Worshipful Masters are directed to see that its provisions are fully complied with.

Given under my hand and seal of the M.W. Grand Lodge this 10th day of July, 1913.

Attest:

ISAAC CUTTER,

Delmar D. Darrah,

Grand Master.

Grand Secretary.

RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.

- R.W. Bro. Dan G. Fitzgerrell having resigned as a member of the Board of Grand Examiners, R.W. Bro. I. Harry Todd, of East St. Louis, was appointed to succeed him.
- R.W. Bro. Josiah M. Hannum having resigned as a member of the Board of Grand Examiners to accept the Superintendency of the Orphans' Home at LaGrange, R.W. Bro. Emmett Howard, of Quincy, was appointed to succeed him.
- R.W. Bro. J. E. Wheat, District Deputy Grand Master of the Thirteenth District, having resigned because of removal from the district, R.W. Bro. John D. Charters, of Ashton, was appointed as his successor.
- R.W. Charles T. Holfes, of Galesburg, having removed from the state, I appointed R.W. Bro. E. J. Tye, of Rio, to succeed him as District Deputy Grand Master of the Twenty-first District.
- R.W. Bro. Harry F. Smith, of Beardstown, District Deputy Grand Master of the Thirty-first District, having died, I appointed R.W. Bro. William Fairlie, of Jacksonville, to succeed him.
- R.W. Bro. Emmett Howard, of Quincy, having resigned as District Deputy Grand Master of the Thirty-third District, I appointed R.W. Bro. Julius Klemme as his successor.
- R.W. Bro. Charles H. Thompson, District Deputy Grand Master of the Forty-ninth District, having resigned because of removal from the District, R.W. Bro. W. W. Thomas, of Anna, was appointed to succeed him.
- R.W. Bro. E. W. Tillotson, District Deputy Grand Master, having removed from the state, leaving a vacancy in the Seventh District, R.W. Bro. Chauncey F. Newkirk was appointed to the position.

INSTALLATION OF GRAND ORATOR.

On Friday evening, December 20, it was my pleasure to visit St. Pauls Lodge No. 500, and to install as Grand Orator R.W. Bro. Lawrence Y. Sherman. There was a large company of Masons present to witness the ceremony and to enjoy the remarks made by the Grand Orator following his installation.

DUPLICATE CHARTERS ISSUED.

During the year duplicate charters have been issued to—
Rockford Lodge No. 106.
Stonefort Lodge No. 495.
Gibson Lodge No. 733.
Weldon Lodge No. 746.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES APPOINTED.

Upon recommendation of presiding Grand Masters I have appointed Grand Representatives of the Grand Lodge of Illinois in other jurisdictions as follows:

Arkansas-George Thornburgh, Little Rock.

Tennessee-Charles Comstock, Nashville.

Texas-R. L. Ball, San Antonio.

At my suggestion representatives of other Grand Lodges near the Grand Lodge of Illinois have been appointed as follows:

Arkansas-A. H. Scrogin, Lexington.

Connecticut—Robert F. Church, Chicago.

Georgia-Arthur E. Wood, Gibson City.

LODGES INSTITUTED.

Prudence Lodge, U.D., located at Chicago. Instituted October 24 by R.W. Bro. Maxwell Levy, Grand Lecturer.

Warrensburg Lodge, U.D., located at Warrensburg. Instituted December 6, 1912, by R.W. Bro. Albert T. Summers, District Deputy Grand Master Twenty-ninth District.

Algonquin Lodge, U.D., located at Algonquin, III. Instituted December 10, 1912, by R.W. Bro. C. J. Wightman, District Deputy Grand Master of the Eighth District.

Ben Franklin Lodge, U.D., located at Chicago. Instituted January 11, 1913, by E. C. Tillotson, District Deputy Grand Master of the Seventh District.

Federal Lodge, U.D., located at Chicago. Instituted April 4, 1913, by Harry W. Harvey, District Deputy Grand Master of the Second District.

Sunset Lodge, U.D., located at Broughton. Instituted April 17, 1913. by R.W. Bro. R. C. Davenport, District Deputy Grand Master of the Forty-seventh District.

Dahlgren Lodge, U.D., located at Dahlgren. Instituted May 12, 1913, by R.W. Bro. R. C. Davenport, District Deputy Grand Master of the Forty-seventh District.

Maplewood Lodge, U.D., located at Chicago. Instituted May 26, 1913, by R.W. Bro. Harry A. Dever, District Deputy Grand Master of the Third District.

Cisco Lodge, U.D., located at Cisco. Instituted July 1, 1913, by R.W. Wilson P. Jones, District Deputy Grand Master of the Twenty-eighth District.

Exemplar Lodge, U.D., located at Chicago. Instituted July 18, 1913, by R.W. Bro. T. M. Avery, District Deputy Grand Master of the Pourth District.

DISPENSATION FEES

From New Lodges.

Prudence Lodge, U.D\$100.co
Warrensburg Lodge, U.D 100.00
Algonquin Lodge, U.D
Ben Franklin Lodge, U.D 100.00
Federal Lodge, U.D
Sunset Lodge, U.D. 100.00
Dahlgren Lodge, U.D
Maplewood Lodge, U.D
Cisco Lodge, U.D
Exemplar Lodge, U.D
Total\$1000.00

IN GENERAL.

Bee Hive No. 909\$2.00	Lakeview No. 744 2.00
Circle No. 938 2.00	Wilmette No. 931 2.00
Collinsville No. 712 2.00	Edgewater No. 901 2.00
Libertyville No. 492 2.00	Belvidere No. 60 2.00
Lakeside No. 739 2.00	Avondale No. 921 2.00
North Shore No. 937 2.00	Miles Hart No. 595 2.00
Oakland No. 219	Blair No. 393 2.00
Rising Sun No. 115 2.00	Chester No. 72 2.00
Morris No. 787 2.00	Pontiac No. 294 2.00
Damascus No. 888 200	Lockport No. 538 2.00
Sandoval No. 932 2.00	Richard Cole No. 697 2.00
Pearl No. 823 2.00	Jackson Park No. 915 2.00
Lexington No. 482 2.00	Meteor No. 283 2.00
Lakeside No. 739 2.00	Lake View No. 774 2.00
Union Park No. 612 2.00	Colchester No. 496 2.00
Wenona No. 344 2.00	Raymond No. 696 2.00

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Shannon No. 49 2.00	Ewing No. 705 2.00
Blaney No. 271 2.00	Oriental No. 33 2.00
Welcome No. 916 2.00	Avondale No. 921 2.00
Kewanee No. 159 2.00	Union Park No. 610 2.00
Concord No. 917 2.00	Germania No. 182 2.00
Towanda No. 542 2.00	Mithra No. 410 2.00
Wade-Barney No. 512 2.00	Lessing No. 557 2.00
Union Park No. 612 2.00	Accordia No. 277 2.00
Chatsworth No. 539 2.00	Waldeck No. 674 2.00
Fellowship No. 89 2.00	Columbia No. 819 2.00
Richard Cole No. 697 2,00	Chicago No. 437 2.00
Jerusalem No. 90 2.00	Herder No. 669 2.00
Temperance No. 16 2.00	Beacon Light No. 784 2.00
Woodlawn Park No. 841 2.00	Cerro Gordo No. 600 2.00
London No. 848 2.00	Damascus No. 888 2.00
Mansfield No. 773 2.00	Bohemia No. 943 2.00
Vienna No. 150 2.00	Wyoming No. 479 2.00
Welcome No. 916 2.00	Hesperia No. 411 2.00
Oriental No. 33 2.00	D. C. Cregier No. 643 2.00
Oblong No. 644 2.00	America No. 889 2.00
Ogden No. 754 2.00	Gil. W. Barnard No. 908 2.00
Constantia No. 783 2.00	J. C. Smith No. 944 2.00
Loraine No. 893 2.00	Keystone No. 639 2.00
Cave-in-Rock No. 444 2.00	Cass No. 23 2.00
Carrollton No. 50 2.00	Ramsey No. 405 2.00
Wayne No. 172 2.00	Pawnee No. 675 2.00
Mizpah No. 768 2.00	Lakeside No. 739 2.00
Toledo No. 834 2.00	
	Gothic No. 852 2.00
Lake View No. 774 2.00	Neoga No. 279 2.00
	Total\$180.00

REPORT OF R.W. BRO. R. H. WHEELER

On restoration of inscription on corner-stone of Chicago Avenue water tower:

June 30, 1913.

Mr. Delmar D. Darrah. M.W. Grand Master A.F. and A.M. of Illinois, Bloomington, Ill.:

Dear Sir and M.W. Bro.:—As chairman of the special committee appointed by you for the purpose of restoring the inscription on the corner-stone of the tower of the Chicago Ave. Pumping Station of this city, I desire to submit the following report:

A bronze tablet bearing the inscription, "Laid by the Masonic Fraternity March 25, 1867. Jerome R. Gorin, Most Worshipful Grand Mas

ter," was prepared and placed in position on the stone today. Behind the tablet a parchment was placed on which was engrossed the following:

"To all Ancient Free and Accepted Masons Greeting:

"In the year A.D. 1912 the authorities of the city were seriously considering the question of destroying this water tower, a relic of early Chicago, because it had become useless in the system of waterworks and for the additional reason that the masonry was crumbling under the influence of the elements, when on the earnest appeal of the Chicago Historical Society the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars was voted by the City Council for the purpose of repairing and preserving it as one of the historical buildings of the city.

"Worshipful Bro. Martin G. Seifert, Past Master of Constantia Lodge No. 783, was assigned as architect for the city to superintend the work, and he discovered the faint outlines of an inscription upon this stone showing that it had been laid by the masonic fraternity. This fact was brought to the attention of the Most Worshipful Grand Master. Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, by Right Worshipful Bro. William Arens, Past Master of Germania Lodge No. 181, and District Deputy Grand Master of the German speaking lodges, with a recommendation that in view of the fact that the inscription had become nearly obliterated by the elements, a bronze tablet be prepared and inserted in the stone. The Grand Master refered this matter to Right Worshipful Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler. Senior Grand Warden, who upon investigation concurred in the above recommendation.

"The Grand Master then appointed Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler and Bro. William Arens a committee to co-operate with Bro. Martin G. Seifert and execute the work. A search of the Grand Lodge proceedings and other literature revealed the fact that this stone was laid on March 25, A.D. 1867, by Most Worshipful Grand Master Jerome R. Gorin.

This bronze tablet was prepared and set in place this 30th day of June, A. D. 1913, in the presence of the following brethren:

Ralph H. Wheeler, America No. 889. William Arens, Germania No. 182. Martin G. Seifert, Constantia No. 783. Charles H. Crowell, St. Cecelia No. 865. Albert Jampolis, Blaney No. 271. Robert J. Daly, Garden City No. 141. E. E. Mills, Kilwinning No. 311. Ed. H. Thomas, Kilwinning No. 311. Oscar A. Kropt, Lincoln Park No. 611. Ed. W. Peterson, Garfield No. 686. Arthur E. Behrendt, Ben Hur No. 818. Jason R. Lewis, Union Park No. 610. John F. Schott, Germania No. 182. John H. Kanitz, Edgewater No. 91.

William J. Burnes, Chief Operating Engineer of Chicago Avenue Pumping Station, and not a member of the fraternity."

I would have arranged for a more auspicious occasion, but at the request of the architect for the city, Bro. Martin G. Seifert, all display

Committee.

was omitted, and simply a few of the prominent members of the craft were asked to be present and witness the setting of the tablet.

Fraternally submitted,

RALPH H. WHEELER, WILLIAM ARENS.

FLOOD RELIEF FUND.

To Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

M.W. and Dear Brother:—I am pleased to submit herewith my report as Treasurer of the Flood Relief Fund:

Donations.

Date. Lodg	e	
1913. No.		mount.
April 9. 80	White Hall\$	25.00
	D. G. Fitzgerell, Ewing	10.00
354	Ark and Anchor	10.00
156	Delavan	5.00
72	Chester	15.00
40	Occidental	25.00
105	Winchester	25.00
222	George Washington	5.00
321	Dunlap	25.00
725	Rankin	5 00
102	Rockford	10.00
260	Mattoon	25.00
116	Vermont	25.00
23	Cass	25.00
64	Benton	25.00
Chapt. 35	Harmony, R. A. M.	15.00
19	Clinton	10.00
945	Buffalo	5.00
171	Girard	10.00
153	Clay	5.00
88	Havana	50.00
53	Jackson	10.00
178	Illinois Central	10.00
April 10.	T 11 T 1 15	
Chapt. 204	Pullman, R. A. M	5.00
538	Lockport	10.00
705	Ewing	4.00
	James A. Steele, Sullivan	2.50
813	Humboldt Park	50 00
118	Waverly	10.00
166	Star in the East	25.00
826	Mazon	10 00
674	Waldeck	25.00
455	Irving	10.00
851	Chicago Heights	25.00 5.00
320	Creston	5.00
111	Jonesboro	5.00

Date.	Lodge		
1913.	No.	Name.	Amount.
	201	Centralia	25.00
	432	Murrayville	10.00
	486	Bowen	15.00
	292	Chenoa	5.00
	356	Hermitage	10.00
	583	Highland	15.00
	797	Normal Park	25.00
	909	Bee Hive	60.00
	147	Clayton	10.00
	867	Chadwick	10.00
	810	Tracy	25.00
	252	Aledo	10.00
	655	Yorktown	25.00
	836	Windsor Park	10.00
	96	Davis	25.00
	901	Edgewater	25.00
	88o	John B. Sherman	25.00
	662	South Park	25.00
April 11.	928	Grant Park	10.00
	878	Equity	25.00
	471	Kendall	25.00
	752	Allendale	5.00
	639	Keystone	25.00
	141	Garden City	100.00
	504	East St. Louis	25.00
	955	Cicero	25.00
		John C. Weis, Peoria	2.00
	203	Lavely	25.00
	164	Edward Dobbins	25.00
	643	D. C. Cregier	50.00
	78	Waukegan	10.00
	456	Nokomis	10.00
	635	Rochester	5.00
	575	Capron	5.00
	176	Mendota	10.00
	693	Herrin's Prairie	20.00
	280	Kansas	5.00
		Elmer E. Beach, Chicago	5.00
	862	Raritan	10.00
	288	Genoa	5.00
	192	Farmington	25.00
	254	Aurora	50.00
	895	Crescent	25.00
	865	St. Cecelia	25.00
	208	Wilmington	5.00
	133	Marshall	10.00
		Keith D. Stratton, Mt. Vernon	5.00
	110	Lehanon	5.00
	666	Crawford	10.00
April 12.		Cypress	5.00
	_58	Fraternal	10.00
	847	Stronghurst	10 00
	603	Clark	20.00

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1913. N	_	Name.	Amount.
	576	O'Fallon	5.00
Ç)27	Candida	25.00
2	234	DuQuoin	10.00
		H. A. Snell, Litchfield	10.00
	134	Makanda	5.00
	231	Wyanet	5.00
	765 922	Palace	25.00
-	746	Compass	25.00
	195	La Harpe	21.25 5.00
	122	Landmark	50.00
	524	Evans	100.00
	546	Somonauk	10.00
9.	50	Glen Ellyn	25.00
5	573	Gardner	20.00
5	540	Oak Park	25.00
	170	Rantoul	25.00
,	782	Potomac	10.00
	11 I	Hesperia	25 00
	318	J. L. Anderson	10.00
	789 250	Auburn Park	25.00
	352 731	Gothic	25.00
	101	Odell	25.00 10.00
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Chapt. 1	112	Rutland, R. A. M	10.00
	818	Ben Hur	50.00
6	54I	Comet	15.00
3	364	Tonica	10.00
		W. B. Wright, Effingham	2.00
		Grand Lodge of Nevada	100.00
	180	Moweaqua	5.00
		Grand Lodge of California	00.000,1
	145 160	A. W. Rawson	10.00
	42	Waubansia	25 00 25.00
	198	Murphysboro	10.00
	108	Magnolia	10.00
	73	Cherry Valley	10,00
	283	Meteor	10.00
I	104	Lewiston	10,00
I	162	Hope	10 00
	555	Humboldt	25.00
	334	Toledo	5.00
	905	Hanover	10.00
	301	Gilman	10.00
	02 65	Williamson	10.00
	165	Atlanta Evergreen	25.00
	70 322	Evergreen	25.00
	360	Metropolitan	100.00
	330	Berwyn	25.00
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Date.	Lodge		
1913.	No.	Name.	Amount.
April 15.		Harvey	25.00
	533	Altamont	10.00
	539	Chatsworth	10.00
	677	Enfield	10.00
		Gustav Valentin, Chicago	2.00
	29	Pekin	5.00
	954	Progressive	10.00
	512	Wade-Barney	25.00
	804	Kensington	10.00
	936	Rock Falls	5.00
	825	Artnur	5.00
	510	John D. Moody	1.00
	633	E. F. W. Ellis	25.00
	61	Lacon	10.00
	74	Rockton	5.00
	517	Litchfield	5.00
	92	Stewart	10.00
	743	Scottland	10 00
	264	Franklin Grove	10.00
	271	Blaney	25.00
	949 862	Justice	25.00
April 16.	863	St. Andrew's	50.00
11pm 10.	751	Louisbury	10.00
	739 854	Lakeside	25.00
	900	Brighton Park	25.00
April 17.	386	Duidenson	25.00
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	204	Kenwood	100.00
	938	Ci-1	25.00
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	610		5.00
	488	Clay City	50.00
	462	The	35.00
	175	Matteson	5.00
	31	Mt. Vernon	25.00
	757	77	25.00
	709	Star	5.00
	38	Olive Branch	25.00
	35	Charleston	25.00 10.00
	240	Western Star	25.00
	91	Metropolitan	15.00
	243	Galva	25.00
	735	Sheridan	10.00
	417	Marseilles	5.00
•	394	Jerseyville	25.00
	367	Oxford	10.00
	516	Andalusia	20.00
	692	Raymond	5.00
	312	Ionic	50.00
	463	Palmyra	5.00
	261	Amon	5.00

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	696	Belle Rive	5.00
	559	Thomson	6.00
	297	Benjamin	10,00
	45	Griggsville	10.00
	442	Casey	25.00
	587	Princeton	10.00
	906	Coffeen	10 00
	770	La Grange	50.00
	248	Golden Gate	10.00
	656	Mozart	10.00
	209	Wm. B. Warren	50.00
	469	McLean Lake View	5.00
	774 600		50.00
	690 85	Englewood	25.00 10.00
		Normal	10.00
	673 887	Pyramid	5.00
	.564	Winslow	5.00
	220	Mahomet	21.00
	241	Shekinah	5.00
	382	Gill	5.00
	492	Libertyville	5.00
	86.1	Olympia	25.00
	843	Park Lodge	50.00
	534	Cuba	10.00
		F. W. Frollich, Brighton	5.00
	805	S. M. Dalzell	10.00
	52	Benevolent	10.00
	220	Manchester	10.00
	210	Logan	25.00
	117	Elgin	25.00
	239	Mt. Carmel	25.00
	796	E. M. Husted	10.00
	493	Tower Hill	20.00
	293	Prophetstown	10 00
	850	Austin	200.00
	374	Shabbona	5.00
	902	Altò	5.00
	891	Logan Square	25.00
April 18.	875	Cornerstone	25.00
•		Grand Lodge South Carolina	375.00
	688	Clifton	15.00
	827	Sequoit	10.00
	716	Calumet	25.00
		Grand Lodge of Oregon	500.00
	142	Ames	10.00
	779	Wright's Grove	25 0 0
	450	Loami	5.00
	790	Pittsfield	25.00
	211	Cleveland	50.00
	924	Banner Blue	25.00
	188	Cyrus	10.00
	879	Composite	25.00

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1913		No.	Name.	Amount.
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		895	Crescent	5.00
		536	Plainfield	10.00
		869	Maywood	25 00
		764	Sullivan	10.00
		946	Joy	10.00
		885	Villa Grove	10.00
		932	Sandoval	5.00 2.00
		389	Kankakee	10.00
		189	Fulton City	25.00
		405	Ramsey	5.00
		700	Pleasant Plains	25.00
		634	Buckley	5.00
		557	Lessing	10.00
		482	Lexington	10.00
		183	Meridian	20.00
		428	Sunbeam	10.00
		460	Jeffersonville	10.00
		726	Golden Rule	25.00
		717	Arcana	50 00
		580	Mt. Moriah	5.00 25.00
		51 130	Marion	5.00
		410	Mithra	25.00
		686	Garfield	100.00
		800	Des Plaines	10.00
		-) -	Washburn	20.00
April	10.	611	Lincoln Park	50.00
April		478	Pleiades	100.00
•		858	Utica	5.00
		348	Flat Rock	25.00
		915	Jackson Park	50.00
		907	Ancient Craft	50.00
		919	Elwood	5.00
		758	Mystic Star	25.00
		768	Mizpah	100.00
		212	Shipman	15.00
		767		54.74
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		298 873	Standard	25.00
		526	Covenant	50.00
		378	Aroma	10.00
		134	Sycamore	25.00
		706	Joppa	5.00
		893	Loraine	5.00
		889	America	50.00
		479	Wyoming	5.00
		908	Gil. W. Barnard	10.00
		179	Wabash	5.00
		66	Pacific	5.00
		106	Lancaster	5.00

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1913.	No.	Name.	Amount.
	899	Park Manor	100.00
	777	Ravenswood	50.00
	904	Carlock	25.00
	923	East Gate	50.00
	123	Oquawka	10.00
	939	Table Grove	10.60
	541	Stewardson	5.00
	217	Mason	5.00
	681	Morrisonville	10.00 5.00
	100	Dundee	5.00
	120	Greenfield	10.00
	247	Rob. Morris	25.00
	882	Boulevard	25.00
	721	Rome	15.00
	645	San Jose	10.00
	715	Elvaston	2.00
	581	Dongola	10.00
	636	Peotone	10.00
	138	Marengo	5.00
	37	Monmouth	25.00
		L. L. Gallemore, Goreville	5.00
	451	Bromwell	2.00
	126	Empire	15.00
	842	Fides	15.00
	783	Constantia	25.00
	877	Granite City	16.76
	937	North Shore	25.00
	554	Plum River	10.00
	325	Harrisburg	50.00
	786	Riverton Union	5.00
	227	Columbus	5.00
	250 693	Robinson	25,00 30.00
	49	Cambridge	5.00
	437	Chicago	50.00
	230	New Haven	25.00
	794	Tadmor	10.00
	616	Wadley	5.00
	784	Beacon Light	10.00
	485	Xenia	5.00
	313	York	5.00
	819	Columbia	25.00
	741	New Holland	10.00
April 22.		Chebanse	10 00
	687	Orangeville	5.00
	472	Amity	10.00
	931	Wilmette	120.00
	98	Taylor	5.00
	528	Minooka	10.00
	1.48	Bloomfield	5.00
	547	Valley St. John's	10.00
	13	St. John's	5.00

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1913.	No.	Name.	Amount.
	506	O. H. Miner	10.00
	159	Kewanee	10.00
	67	Acacia	10.00
	651	Atwood	10.00
	620	New Hope	5.00
	194	Freedom	5.00
	957	Prospect	10.00
	664	Mayo	5.00
	484	Edgewood	10.00
	336	New Columbia	5.00
	792	Calhoun	10.00
	36	Kavanaugh	25.00
	339	Saline	10.00
	236	Charter Oak	10.00
	665	Beecher City	10.00
	888	Damascus	85.00
	926	Veritas	50.00
	395	Shiloh Hill	5.00
	418	Freeburg	10.00
	820	Henderson	25.00
	682	Blue Mound	10.00
	497	Alma	20.00
	749	Akin	1500
	698	Hutton	10.00
	351	Tarbolton	10.00
	713	Johnsonville	20.00
	473	Gordon	10.00
	787	Morris	25.00
	445	Chesterfield	10.00
	135	Lima	5.00
	750	Lyndon	5.00
	86	Kaskaskia	10.00
	453	New Hartford	5.00
	684	Galatia	10.00
	521	Illiopolis	15.50
	400	Thomas J. Turner	25.00
	228	Lovington	5.00
	266	Kingston	5.00
	182	Germania	25.00
April 23.	. 446	Watseka	25.00
	124	Cedar	10.00
	759	Orel	2.00
	151	Bunker Hill	21.50
	46	Temple	25.00
	214	Gillespie	10.00
	474	Columbia	25.00
	648	Camden	5.00
	914	Republic	26.00
	490	Shannon	5 00
	114	Marcelline	10.00
	131	Golconda	5.00
	143	Richmond	5.00
	670	Buffalo Prairie	25.00

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1913.	No.	Name.	Amount.
	876	William McKinley	25.00
	273	Miners'	10.00
	833	Dean	5.00
	355	Marine	15.00
	• • •	W. W. Thomas, Anna	2.50
	853	Latham	5.00
	550 669	Sharron	10.0
	668 16	Burnt Prairie	10.0
April 22	-	Temperance	15.0
April 23.		Andrew Jackson	25.00 25.00
April 24.	835	Triple	25.00 25.00
11pm 24.		Wm. H. Brinkman, Chicago	5.00
	333	Tyrian	10.00
	738	Saunemin	15.00
	216	Newton	5.00
	414	Evening Star	10.00
	582	Shirley	15.00
	160	Nunda	10 00
	3	Harmony	25.00
	137	Polk	10 00
	14	Warren	25.00
April 26.	809	Gilham	5.00
	466	Cobden	10.00
	531	Ashton	15.00
	412	Bollen	5.00
	132	Mackinaw	5.00
	756	Hardinville	50.00
	523	Chatham	5.00
	262	Channahan	10.00
	676	A. O. Fay	25 00
	481	Momence	10 00
	670	Fillmore	5.00
	161	Virden	25.00
	465	Huntsville	5.00
	630	Tuscan	25.00 5.00
	406	Bethalto	5.00
	920	Cottonwood	10.00
	600	Cerro Gordo	10.00
		Grand Lodge of Florida	300,00
April 28.		Braidwood	10.00
	948	R. F. Casey	6.00
	140	Olney	25.00
	177	Staunton	10.00
April 29.	508	Home	20.00
	152	Fidelity	10.00
	744	Goode	. 5.00
	501	Stark	10.00
	807	Ogden Park	25.00
	623	Locust	2.00
	841	Woodlawn Park	25.00
	841	Members, Woodlawn Park	11 00

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947 Kenmore
May 7. 352 Groveland
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941 Elmhurst 10.00
Louis Beil, Bensenville 1.00
491 Martin 3.00
916 Welcome 2.00
602 Watson 10,00
683 Burnside 20 00
930 Joseph Robbins 10.00
307 T. J. Pickett
349 Sublette 5.00
226 Pana 25.00
268 Paris 5.00
69 Eureka
776 Grand Crossing
803 Neponset
255 Donnellson
80 Fellowship 10.00
358 Orion 5.00
May 9. 476 Manito
323 Orient
300 Harvard 5.00
675 Pawnee 5.00
May 10. 24 St. Clair
245 Greenville

Date. Lodge	
-9-0.	mount.
734 Morning Star	10.00
780 Siloam	25.00
May 12. 267 La Prairie	5.00
577 Viola	10.00
314 Palatine	15.00
May 13. 319 Doric	10.00
859 Apple River	2.00
May 14. 127 Antioch	5.00
574 Pera	10.00
122 Mound	10.00
May 16. 680 Clement	1.00
237 Cairo	50.00
529 Adam's	10.00
8 Macon	10.00
May 17 H. E. Douglas, Catlin	OO. I
May 19. 631 Norton	10.00
861 Sorento	5.00
May 20. 856 West Gate	5.00
I Bodley	10.00
June 5. 489 Cooper	2.00
June 16. 79 Scott	10.00
June 18. 430 Kendrick	18.75
July 9. 855 King Oscar	20,00
Total receipts	1,391.50
DISBURSEMENTS.	
(As per Vouchers Herewith.)	
April 10, 1913\$	1.000.00
	3,000.00
	1,500.00
Total disbursements	
Total dispulsements	5,500 00
RECAPITULATION.	
To Aug. 23, 1913. Total receipts\$1 Total disbursements	1,391.50 5,500.00
Aug. 23. Balance on hand\$	5.801.50
	5,091.50
Fraternally submitted,	
Leroy A. Godda	ARD,

REPORT OF FLOOD COMMITTEE.

Grand Treasurer.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Grand Master:—We, the committee appointed by you in April, 1913, to receive and distribute contributions for the relief of those members of the craft in Southern Illinois who had suffered by reason of the flooded condition of that section of the state, beg to report as follows:

Total amount received by L. A. Goddard, Grand Treasurer\$11,391.50 Amount drawn for by Committee				
Balance in hands of Grand Treasurer\$5,891.50 Amount drawn by Committee				
DISBURSEMENTS.				
April 18. To Elizabeth Lodge No. 276\$ 100.00				
April 28. To Mrs. Coltron, immediate (E. J. Cowling) 18.00				
April 28. To R. C. Davenport for Bro. Godfrey 15.00				
April 28. To W. H. Colton of Cave-in-Rock No. 444. 100.00				
April 28. To Mrs. Henry Richeson, masonic widow 200.00				
April 28. To New Haven Lodge No. 230 1,300.00				
April 28. To Warren Lodge No. 14 1,500.00				
May 3. To Bro. Dransfield, of Clay City No. 488. v. 200.00				
May 29. To Warren Lodge No. 14				
June 17. To Elmira Rheininger, acct. Ridgway No. 816 100.00				
Sept. 9. To P. C. Barclay, expenses on Committee 24.38				
Sept. 9. To E. J. Cowling, expenses on Committee 23.98				
Sept. 9. To R. C. Davenport, expenses on Com 32.75				
5.114.11				
Balance in hands of committee \$ 385.89				

You will see by the above that the whole amount contributed was not used, as it was not needed. The three members of the committee residing in the southern end of the state gave the matter their personal attention, but in going over the ground we had to be governed more or less by the advice of the officers of the various lodges in the affected district. At the time of the floods it seemed that the devastation and suffering would be far greater than it was, the amounts paid out were intended for immediate use and we expected and intended to make further drafts on the fund, but as the waters receded it was found that more of the fund was not needed.

The recipients of the thoughtfulness and kindness of their fellows all expressed great gratitude and full appreciation.

The work of your committee was expedited considerably through the courtesy of Bro. Frank S. Dickson, Adjt. Gen'l of the State, who was in full charge of relief work for the state, and who, just as soon as he heard of the appointment of our committee, extended to us the privileges of the Steamer Illinois on her relief trip, one trip was made with them and we desire here publicly to express our appreciation of his kindly courtesies.

The balance of \$385.89 in our hands will be paid back into the fund in the hands of Grand Treasurer, and it may be our pleasure to introduce in the Grand Lodge a resolution recommending that the unused contributions, amounting to \$6,277.39, be left in the Grand Treasury as a Special Emergency Relief Fund, subject to the will of the M.W. Grand Master, to be used for immediate aid should any great calamity befall the brethren in any part of the state of Illinois.

Respectfully submitted,

PHIL. C. BARCLAY, Chm., LEROY A. GODDARD, E. J. COWLING, R. C. DAVENPORT,

Committee.

Cairo, Illinois, September 19, 1913.

LODGES CONSTITUTED.

Progressive Lodge No. 954.

Constituted October 19, 1912.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Albert Roullieras M.W. Grand Master
Harry B. Harveyas R.W. Deputy Grand Master
David D. Kingas R.W. Senior Grand Warden
E. C. Tillotsonas R.W. Junior Grand Warden
W. G. Alleras R.W. Grand Treasurer
Roscoe C. Clarkas R.W. Grand Secretary
William G. Houghtonas R.W. Grand Chaplain
Elmer E. Beachas R.W. Grand Orator
Lewis A. Brinkmanas W. Grand Pursuivant
Andrew McNallyas W. Grand Marshal
E. E. McDermedas W. Grand Standard Bearer
A. C. Koetheas W. Grand Sword Bearer
S. S. Borden
I. J. McDowellas Grand Junior Deacon
Albert Jampolisas Grand Steward
J. Miehle, Jras Grand Steward
C. S. GurneyBro. Grand Tyler
Louis Schramas Master of the Oldest Lodge
E. J. PowersSymbol Bearer
W. H. WedgewoodSymbol Bearer
John C. TurnerSymbol Bearer
W. G. BrowerSymbol Bearer

Prospect Lodge No. 957, Chicago.

Constituted October 21, 1913.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Harry A. Deveras M.W. Grand Master
Wm. H. Biedas R.W. Deputy Grand Master
Edwin Brookeras R.W. Senior Grand Warden
Louis Mongreigas R.W. Junior Grand Warden
Wm. G. Alleras R.W. Grand Treasurer
Roscoe C. Clarkas R.W. Grand Secretary
Wm. G. Houghtonas R.W. Grand Chaplain
Chauncey F. Newkirkas R.W. Grand Orator
Francis A. Bearas W. Grand Pursuivant
Harry W. Harveyas W. Grand Marshal
Thos. E. Whitechurchas W. Grand Standard Bearer
Chas. H. Colesas W. Grand Sword Bearer
J. Herbert Thorneas Senior Grand Deacon
Walter E. Feltas Junior Grand Deacon
Wm. B. Prockettas W. Grand Steward
Fred W. Smithas W. Grand Steward
Roy K. Wheeleras Bro. Grand Tyler
James Leigh
Fred VonderbergSymbol Bearer
Paul GengelbachSymbol Bearer
Elmer D. SmithSymbol Bearer
Wm. B. PfisterSymbol Bearer

GLEN ELLYN LODGE No. 950, GLEN ELLYN, ILL.

Constituted October 23, 1912.

D. M. Bairdas M.W. Grand Master
Wm. H. Biedas R.W. Deputy Grand Master
Ed. Thomasas R.W. Senior Grand Warden
J. R. Smallas R.W. Junior Grand Warden
James Saundersas R.W. Grand Treasurer
J. W. Hagbergas R.W. Grand Secretary
Albert Jampolisas R.W. Grand Chaplain
W. R. Plumbas W. Grand Pursuivant
E. W. Petersonas W. Grand Marshal
Gustave Schivennas W. Grand Standard Bearer
Arthur Chesteras W. Grand Sword Bearer

Chas. W. Smith	as W. Senior Grand Deacon
W. M. McCormick	as W. Junior Grand Deacon
John Harrop	as W. Grand Steward
I P. Walter	as W. Grand Steward
W. J. Hilliard	as Bro. Grand Tyler
A. Thies	Bore Book of Constitutions
Leon L. Loehr	Bore the Great Lights
C. G. Ganzhorn	Symbol Bearer
E. P. Benson	Symbol Bearer
Herman Klug	Symbol Bearer
	Symbol Bearer

Washington Park Lodge No. 956, Chicago.

Constituted October 25, 1912.

H. A. Dever	as M.W. Grand Masteras R.W. Deputy Grand Masteras R.W. Senior Grand Wardenas R.W. Junior Grand Warden
W. G. Houghton	as R.W. Grand Treasurer
A. McNally	as R.W. Grand Secretary
H. E. VanLoon	as R.W. Grand Chaplain
	as R.W. Grand Orator
T. M. Avery	as W. Grand Pursuivant
	W. Grand Marshal
A. T. Thompson	as W. Grand Standard Bearer
Otto Johnson	as W. Grand Sword Bearer
Roscoe Clark	as W. Senior Grand Deacon
	as W. Junior Grand Deacon
	as W. Grand Steward
	as W. Grand Steward
C. S. Gurney	Bro. Grand Tyler
W. D. Price	
	Symbol Bearer
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CICERO LODGE No. 955, CICERO. Constituted November 6, 1912.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Harry W. Harveyas M.W. Grand Master
David D. Kingas R.W. Deputy Grand Master
Harry A. Deveras R.W. Senior Grand Warden
Wm. H. Biedas R.W. Junior Grand Warden
Wm. G. Alleras R.W. Grand Treasurer
Roscoe C. Clarkas R.W. Grand Secretary
Henry E. VanLoonas R.W. Grand Chaplain
Hazen H. Mineras R.W. Grand Orator
Howard R. Appelgetas W. Grand Pursuivant
Andrew McNallyas W. Grand Marshal
John T. Greenas W. Grand Standard Bearer
Ernest W. J. Hughesas W. Grand Sword Bearer
Parlane A. MacFarlaneas W. Senior Grand Deacon
Robert C. Dyrenforthas W. Junior Grand Deacon
George C. Diveras W. Grand Steward
Louis Krocas W. Grand Steward
Simeon C. Beebeas Bro. Grand Tyler
Frank W. Youngas Master of Oldest Lodge
Ernest W. J. Hughes

Stone Arch Lodge No. 953, Cypress. Constituted November 25, 1912.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

The complete list of offices was not filled owing to the limited number present.

Donovan Lodge No. 952, Donovan.

Constitution and Dedication of Hall, December 7, 1912.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

W. I. Holcomb	
Harry W. Harvey	
W. R. Sanborn	as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
W. I. Holcomb, Jr	as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
Wm. Aller	
A. K. Carmichael	
H. E. Griffin	as R.W. Grand Chaplain
J. W. Kern	
C. Johnson	
R. C. Clark	
H. M. Fisk	
C. H. Edison	as W. Grand Sword Bearer
A. M. Hoops	as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Selsor Orr	
John Moroff	
J. A. Wolfe	as W. Junior Grand Steward
Geo. Thomas	
L. B. Segur	
Chester S. Gurney	
John Blakley	
John Johnson	
William Samuelson	
Conrad Goranson	

Depue Lodge No. 951, Depue, Ill. Constituted December 8, 1912.

Francis H. Bradleyas M.W. Grand Master
Eugene Moranas R.W. Deputy Grand Master
J. D. Trumbauras R.W. Senior Grand Warden
Grant Busheyas R.W. Junior Grand Warden
Errett Ellyas R.W. Grand Treasurer
J. Gooden Sappas R.W. Grand Secretary
George O. Smithas R.W. Grand Chaplain
Harry Clearsas R.W. Grand Orator
George E. Caseas W. Grand Marshal
Charles Greenwoodas W. Grand Pursuivant

Harry Busheyas W. Grand Standard Bearer
Ira Cassas W. Grand Sword Bearer
Henry Grameras W. Senior Grand Deacon
George Carlyas .W. Junior Grand Deacon
Andrew Sorensonas W. Senior Grand Steward
Roy Montgomeryas W. Junior Grand Steward
Thomas Watkinsas Master of Oldest Lodge
A. H. Hallidayas Bro. Grand Tyler
Jay Henry GrahamSymbol Bearer
Gustave ThraneSymbol Bearer
Charles Albert SangerSymbol Bearer
John Dee Coppin

CORNER-STONES LAID.

MASONIC TEMPLE, CHICAGO HEIGHTS.

October 19, 1912.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.
Ralph H. Wheeler
Richard E. Kropfas R.W. Grand Orator
Thos. G. Kerwinas R.W. Grand Chaplain
Leo Michaelas W. Grand Pursuivant
Chas. H. Crowellas W. Senior Grand Deacon
John B. Bruceas W. Junior Grand Deacon
Jas. K. Lambertas W. Grand Standard Bearer
E. E. Armstrongas W. Grand Sword Bearer
Edward W. Petersonas W. Grand Marshal
Edward H. Thomasas W. Grand Steward
Chas. H. Kernas W. Grand Steward
Harry N. MacFarlaneas Master of Oldest Lodge
C. S. GurneyBro. Grand Tyler
I. W. Kelleyas Brother Architect

MACON COUNTY HOSPITAL, DECATUR.

November 30, 1913.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE,

Delmar D. Darrah	
Owen Scott	as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
Ralph H. Wheeler	R.W. Senior Grand Warden
W. L. Allen	as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
A. T. Summers	
Isaac Cutter	
Rev. J. W. VanCleve	3
Chas. S. Deneen	
H. S. Wiley	as W. Grand Pursuivant
M. Bates Iott	
Jay Rickey	as W. Grand Standard Bearer
W. A. Dixon	as W. Grand Sword Bearer
G. B. Marshall	as W. Senior Grand Deacon
H. O. Folrath	as W. Junior Grand Deacon
J. M. Willard	as W. Grand Steward
R. R. Pegram	as W. Grand Steward
Silas Watts	as W. Grand Steward
H. W. Crabb	as W. Grand Steward
Chester S. Gurney	as Bro. Grand Tyler
N. B. Carson	
R. C. Peck	
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West Suburban Hospital, Oak Park.

April 12, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah
Harry A. Deveras R.W. Deputy Grand Master
David D. Kingas R.W. Senior Grand Warden
Ebenezer C. Tillotsonas R.W. Junior Grand Warden
Albert T. Thompsonas R.W. Grand Treasurer
Harry W. Harveyas R.W. Grand Secretary
William G. Houghtonas R.W. Grand Chaplain
Elmer E. Beachas R.W. Grand Orator
Edward C. Mullenas W. Grand Pursuivant
M. Bates Iott
William D. Priceas W. Grand Standard Bearer
George S. Palmeras W. Grand Sword Bearer
Timothy M. Averyas W. Senior Grand Deacon

Andrew McNallyas W. Junior Grand Deacon
Simon F. Odellas W. Grand Steward
Roscoe C. Clarkas W. Grand Steward
Maxwell Levyas W. Grand Steward
Sidney B. Harveyas W. Grand Steward
Chester S. Gurneyas Bro. Grand Tyler
William H. GardnerMaster Oldest Lodge
Elmer E. RobertsPrincipal Architect

MEMORIAL LIBRARY, LEXINGTON.

May 14, 1913.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Delmar D. Darrah
H. M. Palmeras R.W. Deputy Grand Master
W. W. Kennyas R.W. Senior Grand Warden
A. H. Scrogin
P. C. Gillespieas R.W. Grand Treasurer
W. H. Lawrenceas R.W. Grand Secretary
W. N. Ewingas R.W. Grand Chaplain
C. L. Capenas R.W. Grand Orator
G. Wilderas W. Grand Pursuivant
A. McNallyas W. Grand Marshal
J. C. Gerischas W. Grand Standard Bearer
J. Moschelas W. Grand Sword Bearer
C. H. Brownas W. Senior Grand Deacon
J. M. Scroginas W. Junior Grand Deacon
I. E. Cookas W. Grand Steward
W. F. Withersas W. Grand Steward
C. D. Lawrenceas W. Grand Steward
A. P. Schantzas W. Grand Steward
Chester S. Gurneyas Bro. Grand Tyler
H. LilieMaster Oldest Lodge
H. B. TerryPrincipal Architect

HIGH SCHOOL, ASHTON, ILL.

June 18, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah	M.W.	Grand Master
J. Drummondas	R.W. Deputy	Grand Master
C. Schadeas	R.W. Senior	Grand Warden

R. S. Charters	as R.W. Grand Treasureras R.W. Grand Secretaryas R.W. Grand Chaplain
E. T. Bailey	
R. J. Dean	as W. Grand Pursuivant
M. Bates Iott	
F. A. Richardson	as W. Grand Standard Bearer
A. E. Wood	as W. Grand Sword Bearer
C. L. Hunter	as W. Senior Grand Deacon
M. N. Glenn	as W. Junior Grand Deacon
F. C. Mall	as W. Grand Steward
P. W. Charters	as W. Grand Steward
Chester S. Gurney	as Bro. Grand Tyler
M. B. Lennon	
E. A. Payne	

MASONIC TEMPLE, HARVEY. September 27, 1913. OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

D. D. D. J.
D. D. DarrahM.W. Grand Master
H. A. Deveras R.W. Deputy Grand Master
T. M. Averyas R.W. Senior Grand Warden
D. D. Kingas R.W. Junior Grand Warden
A. A. Nortonas R.W. Grand Treasurer
Wm. Arensas R.W. Grand Secretary
G. S. Palmeras R.W. Grand Chaplain
J. W. Wrightas R.W. Grand Orator
H. H. Milnoras W. Grand Pursuivant
M. B. Iott
E. C. Mullenas W. Grand Standard Bearer
Geo. Edwardsas W. Grand Sword Bearer
A. McNallyas W. Senior Grand Deacon
R. C. Clarkas W. Junior Grand Deacon
R. R. Pegramas W. Grand Steward
E. Zimmermanas W. Grand Steward
Chester S. Gurneyas Bro. Grand Tyler
Wm. Tinsley
T. D. HobsonPrincipal Architect

HIGH SCHOOL, URBANA, ILL. October 3, 1913.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

D. D. Darrah	M.W. Grand Master
W. P. Jones	as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
J. E. Jeffers	as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
B. S. Blaine	.as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
A T. Kratz	as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Isaac Cutter	R.W. Grand Secretary
G. H. Stevens	as R.W. Grand Chaplain
W. G. Spurgin	as R.W. Grand Orator
F. R. Smedley	as R.W. Grand Pursuivant
M. B. Iott	
W. H. Roughton	.as W. Grand Standard Bearer
Jas. Burns	
Seeley Brown	as W. Senior Grand Deacon
J. W. Harrigan	as W. Junior Grand Deacon
D. G. Swannell	as W. Grand Steward
C. L. Sandusky	as W. Grand Steward
Chester S. Gurney	as Bro. Grand Tyler
Benj. Bing	Master Oldest Lodge
J. W. Royes	Principal Architect

DEDICATIONS.

MASONIC TEMPLE, BERWYN.

October 31, 1912.

J. F. Boyleas W. Junior Grand Deacon
E. Petersonas W. Grand Steward
R. C. Clarkas W. Grand Steward
N. O. Johnsonas Bro. Grand Tyler
G. S. PalmerMaster of Oldest Lodge
C. W. OstranderPrincipal Architect
S. W. WilsonSymbol Bearer
I. M. JonathonSymbol Bearer
W. C. F. FarnellSymbol Bearer
E. F. ReynoldsSymbol Bearer

MASONIC TEMPLE, SAYBROOK.

November 15, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah	M.W. Grand Master
H. M. Palmer	as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
	as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
	R.W. Junior Grand Warden
H. J. Brown	as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Nimrod Mace	as R.W. Grand Secretary
S. A. Ross	as R.W. Grand Chaplain
C. C. Wisher	as R.W. Grand Orator
Arthur Gooch	as W. Grand Pursuivant
M. B. Iott	
M. B. Moreland	as W. Grand Standard Bearer
J. M. Ruggles	as W. Grand Sword Bearer
N. B. Carson	as W. Senior Grand Deacon
A. E. Butler	as W. Junior Grand Deacon
Amos Ball	as W. Grand Steward
L. L. Flint	as W. Grand Steward
C. S. Gurney	Bro. Grand Tyler
A. E. Wood	Master Oldest Lodge
A. S. Chapman	Principal Architect
E. B. Reynolds	Symbol Bearer
	Symbol Bearer
W. S. Youle	Symbol Bearer
C. Haines	Symbol Bearer

LODGE HALL AT CONCORD, ILL. January 15, 1913.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

A. H. Scrogin
A. Robinsonas R.W. Deputy Grand Master
A. P. Knollenbergas R.W. Senior Grand Warden
Ed. Willardas R.W. Junior Grand Warden
Charles Baylissas R.W. Grand Treasurer
Edward Cooperas R.W. Grand Secretary
J. H. Housmanas R.W. Grand Chaplain
F. A. McCartyas R.W. Grand Orator
Samuel Blimlingas W. Grand Pursuivant
Joseph A. Doddsas W. Grand Marshal
James Gaddisas W. Grand Standard Bearer
William Wooffas W. Grand Sword Bearer
H. H. Bancroftas W. Senior Grand Deacon
Robert Liveseyas W. Junior Grand Deacon
Norman Campbellas W. Grand Steward
Monroe Leonardas W. Grand Steward
Clyde Cooperas W. Grand Steward
P. R. Leonardas W. Grand Steward
J. Bart Johnsonas Bro. Grand Tyler
J. W. Boydas Master Oldest Lodge
W. L. Simpsonas Principal Architect

JEFFERSON PARK TEMPLE. Friday, January 31, 1913. OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Delmar D. Darrah
H. W. Harveyas R.W. Deputy Grand Master
D. D. Kingas R.W. Senior Grand Warden
T. M. Averyas R.W. Junior Grand Warden
R. K. Wheeleras R.W. Grand Treasurer
Wm. Tinsleyas R.W. Grand Secretary
Wm. Wilhartzas R.W. Grand Chaplain
H. A. Deveras R.W. Grand Orator
N. O. Johnsonas W. Grand Pursuivant
M. B. Iott
G. S. Palmeras W. Grand Standard Bearer
Geo. Edwardsas W. Grand Sword Bearer
A. McNallyas W. Senior Grand Deacon

E. Peterson
Masonic Temple, Collinsville.
February 22, 1913.
OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.
H. T. Burnap
Harry CannadySymbol Bearer

MASONIC HALL, FLAT ROCK, ILL. April 10, 1913.

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Η.	Τ.	Burnap	·as	s M.W.	Grand	Master
W.	Η.	Rupeas R.W	V.	Deputy	Grand	Master

I D Course
J. P. Suttonas R.W. Senior Grand Warden
J. M. Foremanas R.W. Junior Grand Warden
Ham Milleras R.W. Grand Treasurer
Edward Whiteas R.W. Grand Secretary
C. H. Parriottas R.W. Grand Chaplain
George W. Lackeyas R.W. Grand Orator
J. S. Snyderas W. Grand Pursuivant
James M. Willardas W. Grand Marshal
L. C. Conoveras W. Grand Standard Bearer
R. L. Hegeras W. Grand Sword Bearer
G. E. Franklinas W. Grand Senior Deacon
J. O. Smithas W. Grand Junior Deacon
Bruce McNuttas W. Grand Steward
Arthur Musgraveas W. Grand Steward
M. A. Milleras Principal Architect
J. W. Whalenas Master of Oldest Lodge
C. W. Leverenzas Bro, Grand Tyler
O. E. Diselas Symbol Bearer
R. W. Hudsonas Symbol Bearer
J. B. Loaras Symbol Bearer
J. P. Wampleras Symbol Bearer

MASONIC TEMPLE, MARENGO, ILL.

May 6, 1913.

Delmar D. DarrahM.W. Grand Master	Т
D. D. Kingas R.W. Deputy Grand Master	r
H. A. Deveras R.W. Senior Grand Warder	n
T. M. Averyas R.W. Junior Grand Warder	n
C. B. Whittemoreas R.W. Grand Treasurer	r
H. W. Smithas R.W. Grand Secretary	y
G. S. Talmeras R.W. Grand Chaplain	tı
H. W. Richardsonas R.W. Grand Orator	r
W. B. Jaycoxas W. Grand Pursuivan	ıt
A. McNallyas W. Grand Marsha	ι1
F. Dickberndas W. Grand Standard Bearer	r
J. E. Heathas W. Grand Sword Bearer	r
Max Levyas W. Senior Grand Deacor	n
R. R. Pegramas W. Junior Grand Deacor	n
H. C. Patrickas W. Grand Steward	đ
A. C. Smithas W. Grand Steward	đ

C. S. GurneyBro, Grand Tyl	er
L. BarberMaster Oldest Lode	
B. Bright Principal Archite	ect
C. PattersonSymbol Bear	
J. A. SteeleSymbol Bear	er
B. BriggsSymbol Bear	er
R. BuckSymbol Bear	er

Masonic Temple, Chicago Heights. May 19, 1913.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Delmar D. Darrah	M.W. Grand Master
	as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
	as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
	as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
	as R.W. Grand Treasurer
	as R.W. Grand Secretary
G. S. Palmer	as R.W. Grand Chaplain
	as R.W. Grand Orator
	as W. Grand Pursuivant
M. B. Iott	
J. F. Boyle	as W. Grand Standard Bearer
G. Edwards	as W. Grand Sword Bearer
W. G. Houghton	as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Max Levy	as W. Junior Grand Deacon
L. J. Frahm	as W. Grand Steward
Wm. Tinsley	as W. Grand Steward
C. S. Gurney	Bro. Grand Tyler
A. M. Nally	
R. Dunlap	Principal Architect
W. L. Thoeming	Symbol Bearer
E. H. Ashdown	Symbol Bearer
W. A. Wolschlag	Symbol Bearer
T. E. Ruth	Symbol Bearer

Masonic Temple, Wheaton, Ill. May 31, 1913.

Delmar	D. Darrah		.M.W.	Grand	Master
H. W.	Harveyas	R.W.	Deputy	Grand	Master

D. D. Kingas R.W. Se	nior Grand Warden
H. A. Deveras R.W. Ju	nior Grand Warden
W. Arensas R.V	V. Grand Treasurer
E. C. Tillotsonas R.	
J. C. NateR	•
E. E. Beachas	-
J. F. Boyleas W	
M. B. Iott.	
W. H. Biedas W. Gra	
G. Edwardsas W. G	
W. G. Houghton as W. Se	
A. McNallyas W. Jı	
R. R. Pegramas	
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R. C. Clarkas	
L. J. Frahmas	
J. J. Diehlas	
C. S. Gurney	Bro. Grand Tyler
G. S. Palmer	aster Oldest Lodge
E. C. Mullen	.Principal Architect
J. W. Hagberg	Symbol Bearer
M. B. Taylor	Symbol Bearer
W. J. Swarden	Symbol Bearer
H. Sivia	

MASONIC TEMPLE, STOCKTON, ILL. June 10, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah
W. S. Eatonas R.W. Senior Grand Warden
A. M. Smithas R.W. Junior Grand Warden
P. M. Rindesbacheras R.W. Grand Treasurer
C. Justusas R.W. Grand Secretary
J. Thompsonas R.W. Grand Chaplain
T. D. Shiptonas R.W. Grand Orator
C. Robinsonas W. Grand Pursuivant
M. B. Iott
W. C. Jenksas W. Grand Standard Bearer
R. D. Kuehneras W. Grand Sword Bearer
W. G. Curtisas W. Senior Grand Deacon
M. Sheetzas W. Junior Grand Deacon
J. Tyrrellas W. Grand Steward

G. Schroeder	
C. S. Gurney	Bro. Grand Tyler
D. Bryson	Master Oldest Lodge
P. V. Goodmiller	
T. Schap	Symbol Bearer
F. Coppernoll	Symbol Bearer
J. Glanville	Symbol Bearer
W. Rindesbacher	

Masonic Temple, Oakwood, Ill.

June 24, 1913.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Delmar D. Darrah	
Z. S. Saylor	as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
J. N. Farechild	as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
H. Blose	as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
	as R.W. Grand Treasurer
	as R.W. Grand Secretary
G. H. Stephens	as R.W. Grand Chaplain
	as R.W. Grand Orator
	as W. Grand Pursuivant
	W. Grand Marshal
	as W. Grand Standard Bearer
	as W. Grand Sword Bearer
	as W. Senior Grand Deacon
	as W. Junior Grand Deacon
	as W. Grand Steward
	as W. Grand Steward
	Bro. Grand Tyler
J. P. Sutton	
	Principal Architect
	Symbol Bearer

MASONIC TEMPLE, SAVANNA.

June 30, 1913.

J. L.	Brearton		as M.W.	Grand	Master
		as R			

R. O. Howeas R.W. Senior Grand Warden
C. M. Walteras R.W. Junior Grand Warden
M. C. Radkeas R.W. Grand Treasurer
Frank H. Jencksas R.W. Grand Secretary
James T. Bovilas R.W. Grand Chaplain
Oscar E. Heardas R.W. Grand Orator
DeWitt C. Smithas W. Grand Pursuivant
William S. Wallaceas W. Grand Marshal
George L. Jencksas W. Grand Standard Bearer
Henry C. Rhodesas W. Grand Sword Bearer
Alfred M. Pierceas W. Senior Grand Deacon
Perly M. Fergusonas W. Junior Grand Deacon
Geo. C. Griffithas W. Grand Steward
Geo. W. Turneras W. Grand Steward
Franklin J. Stranskyas Bro. Grand Tyler
J. R. Robinson
G. D. Brown
C. N. JenksSymbol Bearer
L. S. BowenSymbol Bearer
James BaileySymbol Bearer
Walter HydeSymbol Bearer
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Masonic Temple, Austin, Ill.

September 6, 1913.

THE DAY.		
R. C. Clark. as Bro. Grand Tyler E. A. St. John. Master Oldest Lodge E. E. Roberts. Principal Architect P. B. Langlands Symbol Bearer C. E. Morgan Symbol Bearer J. C. Costello Symbol Bearer W. Jewell Symbol Bearer		
MASONIC TEMPLE, ROCK ISLAND, ILL.		
September 30, 1913.		
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D. D. Darrah. M.W. Grand Master M. T. Booth. as R.W. Deputy Grand Master C. L. Gregory. as R.W. Senior Grand Warden C. G. Taylor. as R.W. Junior Grand Warden G. E. Carlson. as R.W. Grand Treasurer G. W. Flood. as R.W. Grand Secretary Rev. M. E. Chatley. as R.W. Grand Chaplain Rev. T. E. Newland. as R.W. Grand Pursuivant M. B. Iott. W. Grand Marshal J. L. Brearton as W. Grand Standard Bearer F. H. Bradley. as W. Grand Sword Bearer D. E. Farr. as W. Senior Grand Deacon J. W. Houder. as W. Junior Grand Deacon E. Kreis. as W. Grand Steward G. F. Kramer as W. Grand Steward G. F. Kramer as W. Grand Steward E. J. Tye. as W. Grand Steward R. C. Clark as Bro. Grand Tyler R. R. Pegram Master Oldest Lodge J. Schacht Principal Architect J. G. Miller Symbol Bearer C. Pederson Symbol Bearer C. W. Bingston Symbol Bearer C. Pederson Symbol Bearer C. W. Bingston Symbol Bearer C. Pederson Symbol Bearer C. W. Bingston Symbol Bearer C. Pederson Symbol Bearer C. Pederson Symbol Bearer C. W. Bingston Symbol Bearer C. Pederson Symbol Bearer C. W. Bingston Symbol Bearer C. Pederson Symbol Bearer C. W. Bingston Symbol Bearer C. Pederson Symbol Bearer C. Pederso		
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October 15, 1913.		
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Delmar D. Darrah		

A. H. Scrogin	R.W. Junior Grand Warden
Ino. Johnston	
Isaac Cutter	R.W. Grand Secretary
J. C. Nate	R.W. Grand Chaplain
Owen Scott	as R.W. Grand Orator
Wm. Tinsley	as W. Grand Pursuivant
M. B. Iott	
J. L. Brewster	W. Grand Standard Bearer
Geo. Edwards	as W. Grand Sword Bearer
S. S. Borden	W. Senior Grand Deacon
Harris Levy	W. Junior Grand Deacon
F. H. Bradley	as W. Grand Steward
H. S. Albin	
G. W. Tipsword	
E. L. Willits	
C. S. Gurney	Bro, Grand Tyler
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D. D. King	Principal Architect
Max Levy	Symbol Bearer
H. H. Milnor	Symbol Bearer
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A. McNally	Symbol Bearer

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R. A. Webberas R.W. Grand Orator
Louis Zingeras R.W. Grand Marshal
W. H. Mainsas W. Grand Standard Bearer
A. L. Gregoryas W. Grand Sword Bearer
W. H. Coleman, Jras W. Senior Grand Deacon
R. F. Struthersas W. Junior Grand Deacon
John R. Nelsonas W. Senior Grand Steward
Jos. Rohlederas W. Junior Grand Steward
Wm. Hadfieldas W. Grand Pursuivant
Chester S. GurneyBro. Grand Tyler

REPORTS OF R.W. DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

FIRST DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., September 15, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—In presenting this, my annual report, as your representative in the First Masonic District, it gives me great pleasure, at the very outset, to inform you that so far as I have been advised, the various lodges in the First Masonic District are in a flourishing condition, and that while in the early part of the year, there was some dissension in one or two of the lodges, all this has now passed, and I believe that harmony and a proper fraternal spirit now pertain throughout the district.

During the two years that I have been a District Deputy Grand Master, I have made a somewhat careful study of masonic conditions in this state, and especially in the city of Chicago. As a result of this observation, certain convictions have been forced upon me, which perhaps it would not be amiss to mention in this annual report. So intense has been the desire of the brethren in this Grand Masonic jurisdiction to attain perfection in the ritualistic work, that in some instances, at least, it is perfectly apparent that they have forgotten the many other important aims and purposes which actuated the founders of this ancient and honorable institution when they called it into being. This is especially apparent in the annual elections in some of the lodges, and the appointments made by the Masters of non-elective officers.

Now-a-days it seems that the only criterion and certainly the most important criterion which seems to animate the brethren in giving official preferment to a brother is whether or not he can successfully undergo the severest examination in connection with the ritualistic work, and almost wholly regardless of whether the candidate for office possesses other noble and praiseworthy qualities.

Proficiency in the work is certainly greatly to be desired, and should assuredly be fostered and encouraged by the Grand Lodge officers, as well as the officers of the respective lodges; but in my humble opinion the fraternal spirit which prompts a Mason to practice charity and philanthropy, which moves him to take a fraternal interest in the welfare of his brother, which impels him to give fraternal advice and material assistance to an erring or misguided brother, which prompts him also to use his influence in his masonic lodge to make of the lodge a meeting place for social and fraternal intercourse among the brethren (having in mind that the masonic lodge is oftentimes the only place where some

of our brethren can look for social relaxation); these it seems to me are more important and at least just as praiseworthy as is perfection in the ritualistic work.

Under no circumstances do I wish to be understood as intending to imply that proficiency in the work should be neglected, but in the interests of the fraternity, I hope the time may soon come to pass, when in the selection of the officers of our lodges all of the elements and qualifications which go to make up a good, and true and loyal and upright Mason, and not merely proficiency in the work, may be taken into consideration.

During the present administration, many progressive reforms have been undertaken and successfully carried out, and I have reason to believe that the views herein expressed coincide in some measure, at least, with the views of the present Grand Master. While I have no information upon the subject, it would not surprise me to learn that the founders of the Grand Lecturers' Association recently formed, received their inspiration from the present head of the Grand Lodge in this jurisdiction. Many of the Grand Lecturers have apparently come to realize that to some extent they are at fault for the condition that now prevails, and too much praise and credit can not be given to them for having taken the initiative to correct the abuse.

It is also gratifying to note that many of the lodges have entered upon a campaign of education and are providing interesting programs, such as addresses and lectures by distinguished Masons on timely masonic subjects, and are also seeking to familiarize the membership with the masonic law which governs us, and with the decisions and edicts of the present and former Grand Masters. One of the most interesting and enjoyable meetings that it was my good fortune to attend during my incumbency of this office, was a meeting in my district which was given up to a consideration and a discussion of the masonic law. I believe every one who was present that evening thoroughly enjoyed this innovation, and would share my recommendation that it be repeated by all of the lodges at frequent intervals.

Without any desire at flattery, I firmly believe that the many brilliant achievements of your administration will make it conspicuous in the history of this Grand Lodge, and that the changes you have wrought will be enduring, of everlasting good to the fraternity, and will be a beneficent influence to bring back the status of Masons and Masonry in Illinois, to what the founders intended it to be, consistent, however, with modern times and changes.

In conclusion, permit me to wish you long life, and the fullest measure of success, happiness and contentment, and to again thank you sincerely for the honor conferred upon me, and to assure you that although

my office will soon come to an end, my interest zeal and loyalty to our beloved institution will never abate.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

WILLIAM WILHARTZ

SECOND DISTRICT.

7211 University Ave., Chicago, Ill., Sept. 3, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Sir and Brother:—It is with pleasure that I submit this, my annual report, as District Deputy Grand Master of the Second District.

All the lodges in the district have made reports to me of their elections and installations. I have visited all the lodges in my district, have inspected their work, records, paraphernalia and halls, the results of which have been reported to you from time to time.

On November 6, 1912, acting as your Special Deputy, I constituted Cicero Lodge No. 955, at Clyde Hall, Sixtieth avenue and Twenty-sixth street, Cicero, Ill. Also, on April 4, 1913, I instituted Federal Lodge, U.D., at Englewood Masonic Temple, 6734 Wentworth avenue, Chicago, Ill., of which proceedings due reports were made.

Questions of masonic law and jurisprudence have been presented and by reference to the Grand Lodge by-laws were very easily answered.

I find in my visitations an unusual determination manifested by the brethren to acquire a thorough knowledge of the standard work and of the proposed improvements in the ritual.

I have been received with the greatest courtesy on all my visits and my official duties have been very pleasant.

In conclusion, I wish to thank you for the high honor you have conferred upon me and for the many courtesies extended me. Accept my congratulations upon your successful administration as Grand Master.

With kindest personal regards, I remain

Fraternally yours,

HARRY W. HARVEY, D.D.G.M. Second District.

THIRD DISTRICT.

Chicago, Ill., August 6, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

My Dear G.M.:—Annual reports from the Deputies will soon be called for and as I am soon to leave the city for three weeks for Denver,

Salt Lake City and Yellowstone Park, I shall not wait for your request for my report but send it now.

Since last session of the M.W. Grand Lodge I have visited every lodge in the Third District and have forwarded to you a report on each of them. I have visited some of them many times, several of them a few times and a few of the more distant ones only once. I have found them all in a prosperous condition, with no serious discord existing. Generally speaking, all of them show improvement in those respects where the need for betterment was greatest. Most of them show greater efficiency, more harmony and increased financial strength. At least two of them have erected new Temples, and another one is just breaking ground.

All have shown respect to your official representative, and I believe that the present satisfactory condition of the lodges in Third District is but a reflection or result of the able administration we are enjoying in Illinois of our present Grand Master.

Hoping that my efforts have been acceptable to you and thanking you for the honor conferred on me. Fraternally yours,

H. A. Dever, D.D.G.M. Third District.

FOURTH DISTRICT.

Chicago, September 6, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—I have the pleasure of submitting my report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Fourth District, and it affords me great satisfaction to inform you that every lodge in the district is in the most satisfactory condition and that friendship and brotherly love prevails.

Early in the year it was my pleasure to have the Worshipful Masters of the different lodges, together with yourself, the Grand Secretary and other guests, at dinner. The evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all presest, and resulted in a united effort on the part of the lodges represented to make the year one of the best in the history of the Fourth District.

One June 1, 1913, I forwarded to you detailed reports of the sixteen lodges in the district, every question being answered in full. I found but few changes necessary, and in every instance my suggestions were promptly carried out. It has been the earnest desire of the officers to comply with every requirement of the Grand Lodge, and their condition at the present time proves they have been successful.

During the year I have visited every lodge in the Fourth District four times, and in some instances oftener. It has been a pleasure to me, and from each and every officer and member I have received the most cordial welcome and have been shown every courtesy in their power. We have worked together unitedly and friendships have been formed that will be lasting.

On August 18, 1913, acting as your proxy, I instituted Exemplar Lodge, U.D. There were one hundred eighty-two names on the dispensation, fifty of these were from lodges outside of Chicago, and thirty of this number from jurisdictions other than Illinois. The brethren of this new lodge are well known for their ability and earnestness in the cause. It is hoped and expected they will be granted a charter at the coming session of the Grand Lodge, and a bright future of usefulness is prophesied.

I desire to express my sincere appreciation of the honor conferred in having been selected for this responsible position, and if my earnest efforts to merit the confidence placed in me have won your approval and that of the brethren of the Fourth District I have not labored in vain.

With most sincere best wishes, I am

Fraternally yours,

T. MASON AVERY, D.D.G.M. Fourth District.

FIFTH DISTRICT.

Chicago, September 15, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—I beg leave to submit my annual report as your Deputy for the Fifth Masonic District. The lodges have been unusually prosperous in the way of increased membership during the year, and, while there have been several instances of discord (with which you are fully acquainted) the average peace and harmony have been well up to the established standard.

With sincere congratulations on your very successful administration of affairs masonic in Illinois for the past two years, and thanking you for the honor of my appointment, I remain.

Fraternally yours,

DAVID D. KING, D.D.G.M. Fifth District.

SIXTH DISTRICT.

Chicago, Ill., August 11, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—I herewith submit my annual report of the lodges in the Sixth District. Nothing has transpired during the past

year to mar the perfect harmony which has crowned the past efforts with success, and which is so essential to its future prosperity. All of the lodges are in a very prosperous condition, and the increase in membership and influence steadily growing. I had the great pleasure of meeting with the different lodges in the district and find practically all of them earnest and enthusiastic in the exemplification of the proposed new work. Great care has been shown in rendering the work with a formality and perfection which have increased the impressiveness of its lessons, both on the candidates and on the brethren; but the attention devoted to the perfection of the work has not, I am confident, detracted from the spirit of brotherhood and good fellowship. Too much cannot be said of the quality of the membership added in this district during the past year, a fact which I am sure will be very pleasing to the brethren throughout the jurisdiction.

Washington Park Lodge, which I had the pleasure of constituting October 25, 1912, is growing steadily and is in excellent condition and quite enthusiastic in the interest of Masonry.

Thanking you personally for the many favors you have shown me, which I fully appreciate, also in behalf of the district for the valuable service you have rendered for the good of Masonry during your splendid administration.

Fraternally yours,

WILLIAM H. BIED, D.D.G.M. Sixth District.

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

Chicago, September 27, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—Having received notice of my appointment on the 9th, this must of necessity be an incomplete statement of conditions in the Seventh District.

Since my appointment, however, I have made some informal visits; have met a number of the officers of lodges in my district and in various other ways have made as much inquiry as the short time has permitted and feel satisfied that I am warranted in saying that the affairs of the lodges in the Seventh District are in a generally prosperous condition, working in harmony and doing good, clean standard work.

I find everywhere evidences of the high esteem in which Right Worshipful Brother Tillotson is held and shall feel much satisfied, if, on retiring, I may feel assured of taking with me the general love and good will which is universally his in the Seventh District.

I understand the position of D.D.G.M. to be one of helpfulness to the lodges in his jurisdiction. While I am too young in the work to understand how I may be of great assistance to such splendid lodges as those placed under my charge and heretofore guarded by so able and affable a shepherd, I assure you it shall be my earnest endeavor to learn how I may best serve them.

Regretting that the short time at my disposal prevents a more accurate and complete report and expressing my pleasure and gratitude to you for your personal confidence in my fitness for so great an honor, and at the same time extending to you my deep and hearty appreciation of the tremendous good which the cause of Masonry has received from your vigorous, enterprising and efficient administration of your high office, I remain Gratefully and fraternally yours,

CHAUNCEY F. NEWKIRK, D.D.G.M. Seventh District.

EIGHTH DISTRICT.

Grays Lake, Ill., September 15, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—I herewith submit my annual report as your representative for the Eighth Masonic District.

Acting as your proxy I instituted Algonquin Lodge, U.D., on Tuesday evening, December 10, 1912. I have visited this lodge twice since then and witnessed work done by them and am pleased to report that they are complying in every particular with the requirements of the M.W. Grand Lodge.

I installed the officers of four lodges in the district. Have visited twelve of the sixteen lodges in the district and expect to visit some of the others before the meeting of the Grand Lodge in October.

Most of the lodges are very difficult to reach from my home, which fact has prevented me from doing more visiting. I have held schools of instruction in two of the smaller lodges, and while it was impossible to secure a large attendance I feel certain that a great deal of good was accomplished.

The lodges of the district are in good shape financially and otherwise and the increase in membership satisfactory both from the standpoint of quantity and quality.

In conclusion I desire to congratulate you upon your successful administration, and to thank you for the honor you have conferred upon me in having selected me as your representative.

Fraternally yours,

C. J. WIGHTMAN, D.D.G.M. Eighth District.

NINTH DISTRICT.

Freeport, Ill., September 4, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—You have well said, "The appointment of a Deputy is classed as of honor and distinction, interwoven with duty and responsibility."

The visiting of all the lodges by the District Deputy and keeping in close touch with them requires time and necessarily incurs expense, but I believe these visits of great value, especially to the weaker lodges. Many of the lodges of the Ninth District, have not had an official visit for many years and it is no more than natural that there should be existing irregularities.

I have strongly recommended study clubs to the lodges, believing it to be a great factor in creating lodge attendance, an impetus for the true interpretation of the ritual, not only have I tendered my time, but extended to them the privileges of our masonic quarters in Freeport, whose efficiency and alert interest is of more than local reputation. I find financial embarassment in some lodges, lack of proper paraphernalia, incomplete records and by-laws.

Several of the lodges have adopted new by-laws and others have made necessary revisions, so as to conform to the Grand Lodge by-laws.

In one of the lodges I had to hold a special election, and although affairs seemed to be more or less complicated—everything terminated harmoniously.

The scum and effluvia of indifference must be cleared by a freshet of new purpose, ambition and energetic work. The lodges I find composed of the flowers of manhood in their various localities, inertia will cease, and the Ninth District—the equal of any—owing their allegience to your valued administration.

The school of instruction held in Freeport in February, this year, enabled many representatives of my district to be in attendance, and the benefit derived was far greater than mere words and faultless rhetoric work.

I have had the greatest respect and courtesy extended to me by all the lodges and have enjoyed every visit. In submitting this, my report, I am pleased to say that peace and harmony prevails in the district, and, at this time, wish to extend my thanks to you for the honor conferred upon me.

Fraternally yours,

C. L. SNYDER, D.D.G.M. Ninth District.

TENTH DISTRICT.

September 4, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Sir and Brother:—I am sending you herewith detailed reports of all the lodges in this district except one, which will follow in a very few days.

There has been some progress made in a material way by the lodges of this district in the last year, as two new Temples have been dedicated, you having performed the ceremony for Plum River Lodge No. 554 at Stockton in person and the other having been performed for Mississippi Lodge No. 385 at Savanna, by myself as your proxy. Both Temples are a credit to the lodges which erected them and signify a zeal for the good of masonry on the part of the brethren of these lodges which is very commendable.

A recent trip of inspection of the lodges in this district shows that there are some things wherein an improvement can be made, and in numerous instances certain things were suggested to bring about such improvements. Promises were made by the lodges interested that there would be no further cause for complaint.

As soon as it is determined whether the new form of ritual or the old is official, the lodges of this district should combine in a three days' school of instruction at which every lodge should be liberally represented for the purpose of becoming proficient in the work of the degrees. While most of the lodges are able to do the work in a creditable manner, yet all of them could profit by such instruction.

Assuring you I appreciate the honor of representing you in this district, I am Fraternally yours,

J. L. Brearton, D.D.G.M. Tenth District.

ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

DeKalb, Ill., September 29, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

I herewith submit my report as District Deputy of the Eleventh District of this jurisdiction. I have visited, personally, all the lodges in my district and find them all in a very prosperous and flourishing condition and conforming to the ritualistic work as approved by the Grand Lodge of the past and willing to take up the changes which may be ratified at the coming meeting.

Thanking you most heartily for the favor conferred upon me by appointing me to this high office, I am

Fraternally yours,

F. E. Wright, D.D.G.M. Eleventh District.

TWELFTH DISTRICT.

Plano, Ill., September 13, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—Another masonic year is drawing to a close and I take pleasure in submitting to you my official report for the Twelfth District. My first official act for the masonic year was the constituting of Glen Ellyn Lodge No. 950 at Glen Ellyn, and the installing of its officers, on October 27, 1912. A full report of this was sent to you at that time.

On February 11, 12 and 13, 1913, the second District School of Instruction for the Twelfth District was held in Monitor Lodge No. 522 at Elgin, Ill. The school was well attended, and we can see the good results of the instruction throughout the whole district.

In April, as last year, I started my official visits to each of the twenty-two constituted lodges of the district, and ended in June, having visited every lodge in the district except Hinsdale Lodge No. 934, which I could not visit because of conflicting dates.

I found a great improvement over last year and have on file an official report of each visit. These reports show that the lodges which lacked proper paraphernalia, and were not up to standard last year, have fully complied with the law and its requirements this year.

To the best of my knowledge, with one exception, peace and harmony reign in all the lodges of the district.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my work with you during the past two years. Wishing you continued success through life, I am

Fraternally yours,

D. M. BAIRD, D.D.G.M. Twelfth District.

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

Ashton, Ill., September 12, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—Having served as District Deputy in the Thirteenth District for the last two months, I have been able so far to

visit but five of the lodges, but expect to visit several more before Grand Lodge convenes.

The financial condition of the lodges visited is good and there seems to be the usual activity as regards work.

The Thirteenth District was honored with a visit from the Grand Master in June, the occasion being the laying of the corner-stone of the Ashton high school at Ashton, Ill., which gave the brethren an opportunity of meeting their Grand Master, which was duly appreciated by them.

For the good of Masonry, there is need of instruction among the smaller and weaker lodges, which, if given, will not only help to increase the efficiency of the officers, but will be an inspiration and will result in greater growth to the fraternity.

I wish to thank you for the honor of representing you in this district, and congratulate you on the excellent record you have made as Grand Master.

Fraternally yours,

John D. Charter's, D.D.G.M. Thirteenth District,

FOURTEENTH DISTRICT.

Atkinson, Ill., Sept. 26, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—As another masonic year is drawing to a close, I take pleasure in submitting to you my annual report as your representative of the Fourteenth District, and am pleased to say that during the past year nothing has occurred to disturb the peace, harmony and prosperity of the fraternity, and each individual lodge (with the exception of what you are already familiar with) are in a flourishing condition.

Probably the greatest masonic event of the year was the laying of the corner-stone of the new Masonic Temple at Rock Island, Ill., on October 17, 1912, by the M.W. Grand Lodge under the special supervision of the M.W. Grand Master. Not only lodges but individual Masons from all over this district as well as from others, joined in encouraging the brethren of Rock Island in the erection of so great and glorious a structure to be used exclusively for masonic purposes.

As there was neither a state or district school of instruction in this part of the state this year I therefore, on February 25, 26 and 27, with R.W. Bro. C. L. Gregory as instructor, held a district school at Kewanee, Ill., which was well attended not only by the members of this district but from the adjoining districts as well, a full account of which has already been sent to the Board of Grand Examiners.

On July 28 your committee, consisting of Bros. J. M. Heldele, Swain Pearson and myself, visited committees from Silvis Lodge No. 898, Doric Lodge No. 319, Valley Lodge No. 547, and a number of brethren of East Moline, to consider the advisability of the formation of a new lodge, A.F. and A.M., at East Moline, Ill., a full report of which has already been forwarded to you.

Thanking you most heartily for the honor conferred on me and congratulating you on your excellent administration, I am

Fraternally yours,

M. T. Booth, D.D.G.M. Fourteenth District.

FIFTEENTH DISTRICT.

Princeton, Sept. 23, 1913.

Mr. Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—Take pleasure in reporting that the lodges of the Fifteenth Masonic District are with two exceptions, in a flourishing condition.

The lodges of this district show great improvement, all having the same equipment and their records and by-laws are in accordance with the Grand Lodge requirements.

Your edicts met with hearty approval and were obeyed to the letter. We had one masonic trial in this district, the results of which were reported to you. Your representative has been active as usual among the lodges, but nothing out of the ordinary has occurred.

Your administration has been a success, we expected much and were not disappointed. This should be a great satisfaction to you and I congratulate and offer you my thanks for being permitted to take part.

Yours respectfully,

Francis H. Bradley, D.D.G.M. Fifteenth District.

SIXTEENTH DISTRICT.

Ottawa, Ill., September 25, 1913.

Mr. Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Bro. Darrah:—I herewith submit my annual report as District Deputy Grand Master of this, the Sixteenth Masonic District.

There was held in this district a school of instruction in January last, which was well attended and, I believe the brethren received much benefit therefrom, all of which was reported to you heretofore.

I have been unable to vist all of the lodges of the district, but have been in touch with most of the Masters and with possibly two exceptions, they are all in good condition.

Several of our lodges are so located that it requires the best part of a day to reach them and return.

On the occasion of each of my visits I have tried to follow your suggestions, and have heretofore reported thereon. I believe the standard ritualistic work is used and will compare favorably with most of the other districts.

So far as I can discover there is but little discord among the brethren of this district and nothing has been brought to my attention requiring official action.

In conclusion, I might say that the suggestions made by you and the reports required, are for the best interests of the fraternity, also they involve considerable work and some expense on the D.D.G.M.

Congratulating you upon the success of your administration and thanking you for many courtesies extended, I am

Fraternally yours,

W. H. BARNARD, D.D.G.M. Sixteenth District.

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

Elwood, Ill., September 13, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—I herewith submit my annual report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Seventeenth District. As your representative I have visited every lodge in this district, and am pleased to report an excellent condition existing throughout the district. The lodges in this district have, during the past year, enjoyed a good degree of prosperity. As your representative I have spent a great deal of time in correspondence arranging dates for my visits to the different lodges, several of which in this district have never before been visited by a District Deputy. Most lodges in this district are greatly in need of instruction in masonic work. While they all have the true masonic spirit, yet their work is crude, imperfect and without inspiration. I earnestly hope that we may have a district school held in this district this coming winter. I would recommend that the visitations by the District Deputies be kept up, as I sincerely believe that a live deputy can do more for the good of

masonry and the craft in the rural districts than in any other way. During all my visits to the different lodges I have been most cordially received, and I feel that my visits and instruction given has resulted in much good.

Thanking you for the many courtesies extended to me during the past year, and with kindest personal regards, I am

Yours fraternally,

BRUCE T. HARLEY, D.D.G.M. Seventeenth District

SUMMARY REPORT.

A DIGEST OF FIFTEEN OFFICIAL REPORTS OF D.D.G.M.

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

Date of this report: September 13, 1913.

Counties composing District: Will and Grundy.

Number of Lodges in District: 15.

Total membership in District, July 1, 1912: 2,151.

Total membership in District at time of official visits: 2,191.

Net increase: 41.

Number of Lodges increasing in membership: 11.

Number of Lodges dcreasing in membership: 4.

Smallest Lodge: Channahon No. 262, Channahon, Ill.; members: 38.

Largest Lodge: Mt. Joliet No. 42, Joliet, Ill.; members, 443.

Lodges have two "Stated" per month: 12.

Lodges having one "Stated" per month: 3.

Total number of lodge meetings held this year: 413.

Average attendance largest Lodge: 50.

Average attendance smallest Lodge: 12.

Number of meetings in year, largest Lodge: 49.

Number of meetings in year, smallest Lodge: 15.

Lodges owning their own hall: 8.

Lodges not owning their own hall: 7.

Lodges that are free of debt: 13.

Lodges having outstanding indebtedness: 2.

Lodges that are safe and secure: 15.

Secretaries provided with proper blanks and books: 15.

Lodge records kept in accordance with Grand Lodge By-laws: 7.

Lodges not keeping records in accordance with G. L. By-laws: 8.

Lodges recording visitors in minutes only: 8.

Lodges not so recording: 7.

Minutes showing character of reports of investigating committee: 2.

Minutes not showing character of reports of investigating committee: 13.

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Minutes showing receipts of fees and dues: 12.
    Minutes not showing receipts of fees and dues: 3.
    Minutes showing time of opening and closing: 7.
    Minutes not showing time of opening and closing: 8.
    Minutes signed by both W.M. and Sec'y: 6.
    Minutes not signed by both W.M. and Sec'y: 9.
    Minutes showing Lodge opened with less than seven M.M. present: 0.
    Lodges using proper blanks and petitions: 15.
    Lodges having by-laws in harmony with G. L. By-laws: 9.
    Lodges not having by-laws in harmony with G. L. By-laws: 6.
    Lodges having proper roll for membership to sign: 15.
    Lodge work witnessed by D.D.G.M. within the year: 13.
    Lodge work not witnessed by D.D.G.M. within the year: 2.
    Lodges doing work in conformity to G.L. and taught at schools: 9.
    Lodges not doing work in conformity to G.L. and taught at schools: 6.
    Lodges instructed by Grand Lodge within the last year: 5.
    Lodges not instructed by Grand Lodge within the last year: 10.
    Lodges holding meetings for instruction and practice: 9.
    Lodges not holding meetings for instruction and practice: 6.
    Lodges equipped with proper paraphernalia to do work creditably: 12.
    Lodges not equipped with proper paraphernalia to do work credit-
ably: 3.
   Lodges equipped with proper candidate's garment: 15.
    Lodges equipped with proper setting maul: 15.
    Lodges equipped with three lesser lights: 15.
    Lodges equipped with proper rods for Deacons and Stewards: 13.
   Lodges not equipped with proper rods for Deacons and Stewards: 2.
   Lodges equipped with proper receiving instrument: 3.
   Lodges not equipped with proper receiving instrument:
    Lodges with Middle Chamber pillars: 15.
   Lodges with proper number balls in ballot box: 8.
   Lodges without proper number balls in ballot box: 7.
   Lodges using stereopticon: 6.
   Lodges not using stereopticon, but instead charts: 9.
   Lodges conducting club rooms: 2.
   Lodges not conducting club rooms: 13.
   Lodges collecting dues promptly: 12.
   Lodges not collecting dues promptly: 3.
   Lodges auditing books of Treasurer and Secretary: 13.
   Lodges not auditing books of Treasurer and Sec'y: 2.
   Lodges observing St. Johns day: 1.
   Lodges not observing St. Johns day: 14.
   Lodges doing things in a social way for its members: 15.
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Lodges paying expenses of the District Deputy: 8.

Lodges not paying expenses of the District Deputy: 8.

Number of Grand Lecturers in District: 2.

Respectfully submitted,

BRUCE T. HARLEY,
D.D.G.M. Seventeenth District.

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT.

Kankakee, Ill., September 12, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—I herewith submit my annual report as District Deputy Grand Master for the Eighteenth District.

On December 7, in accordance with your instructions, and as your proxy, I constituted Donovan Lodge No. 952, located at Donovan, Illinois; installed officers and dedicated their new hall. I was ably assisted in this eeremony by Right Worshipful Brothers H. W. Harvey and R. C. Clark, of Chicago, and visiting brethren from surrounding lodges. Full report of these doings was mailed to you under date of December 11.

During the past year I have visited quite a number of lodges in the district, but, on account of poor health for several months, was unable to visit all of the lodges in this district; however, I have been able to keep in touch with masonic conditions in the district, and I think I am justified in saying that masonry was never in a more prosperous condition throughout this part of the state. There has been nothing of an unpleasant nature to mar the peace and harmony existing. Several Grand Lecturers were busy during the winter and spring months at a number of lodges in the district.

The revised work, as proposed by your committee has been tried out in a number of lodges and has met with unanimous approval.

I desire to take this opportunity to again thank you for the honor you have conferred upon me, and for the very kind and courteous treatment received. I wish you continued health and prosperity.

Fraternally yours,

W. I. HOLCOMB,

D.D.G.M. Eighteenth District.

NINETEENTH DISTRICT.

Gibson City, Ill., September 2, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—In submitting my report as Deputy for the Nineteenth District, it gives me pleasure to say that harmony prevails.

and while the growth in numbers is not unusual much good masonic timber has been gathered in.

The district school held in Pontiac with R.W. Bro. J. M. Hannum in charge, was a decided success and much interest was shown in the work of the committee on revision of the ritual. I believe I am not making it too strong when I say the changes met the universal approval of all who attended the school.

Thanking you for the honor you have conferred on me and congratulating you on your most successful administration, I am

Fraternally yours,

W. A. Hoover, D.D.G.M. Nineteenth District.

TWENTIETH DISTRICT.

Washburn, Ill., Sept. 29, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—During the last year I have visited all of the lodges that I was not able to meet with last year, and feel that every lodge in the district is in excellent condition and doing good work.

I believe the by-laws of all the lodges in this district are now in conformity with the Grand Lodge by-laws and that all blanks being used are of the prescribed forms.

We have had some little difficulties in a few instances, but they have been adjusted with one exception and that one is progressing satisfactorily.

A district school at Peoria, in which every lodge in the district would take an active part would do great good in my estimation.

Thanking you for many favors, I remain

Fraternally yours,

CHAS. H. IRELAND, D.D.G.M. Twentieth District.

TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

Aledo, Ill., September 4, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—I herewith submit my annual report as your District Deputy for the Twenty-second District.

Practically all the lodges in the district have been active during the past year and this district will show a large increase in membership over last year.

I visited all the lodges in the district last year, and this year I have just checked up the ones that infractions were found in last year.

There has been nothing of any serious nature arise in the district this year, and can report everything moving along with peace and harmony prevailing.

I have conducted several funerals and participated in several masonic functions during the year.

Thanking you for the courtesies extended me during the past year, and with kindest personal regards, I am

Fraternally yours,

D. E. FARR, D.D.G.M. Twenty-second District.

TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

Canton, Ill., September 15, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.II'. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—Again the time has come for a report to you concerning Masonry in this, the Twenty-third District.

On behalf of the brethren of the district I wish to thank you for locating one of the "State" District Schools with us. Said school was held at Macomb on March 25, 26 and 27.

R.W. Bro. J. M. Hannum was in charge and under his able instruction much good was done. The completed work of the Committee on Revision of the Ritual was taught and the proposed changes were pleasing to and commended by nearly all the brethren present.

I have visited this year all the lodges in the district. I find some of them much in need of instruction in the work. It seems hard for the officers to keep up enough interest to bring the brethren out to meetings.

This has been one of the "quiet" years in this district, the net gain of the nineteen lodges being an average of only a little over one member for each lodge.

Peace and harmony prevail and I have been received with a true masonic spirit, freely shown me as District Deputy.

Aside from answering a few questions, my services have not been required in any particular manner.

Again thanking you for honors conferred, and with kindest personal regards, I am

Yours fraternally,

L. W. Morton, D.D.G.M. Twenty-third District.

TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

Augusta, Ill., September 8, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—In submitting my annual report, I am pleased to say nothing has transpired in masonic circles to mar the peace and happiness of the fraternity.

After consultation with the lodges it was thought best not to hold a school of instruction this year owing to the fact one of the state schools of instruction was held at Quincy and a district school at Macomb. I attended both of these schools, as did many of the brethren from my district.

Owing to sickness in my family during the winter I was unable to visit many of the lodges. I attended two masonic meetings in Brother Howard's district, namely Camp Point and Golden, and assisted in the work. I also conducted one masonic funeral.

In closing I wish to congratulate you on the manner and efficiency in which you have conducted the affairs of your office, and thank you for the honor you have bestowed upon me.

Fraternally yours,

E. M. CRAIN.

D.D.G.M. Twenty-fourth District.

TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

Delavan, Ill., Sept. 16, 1913.

Mr. Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—Unavoidable circumstances have prevented my visiting all of the lodges in the district during the past year, but from vists made and information received in other ways, I am able to report, that while some of the lodges have not been so active as in other years, a generally satisfactory condition exists throughout the district. Nothing has been brought to my attention tending to mar the peace and prosperity of any lodge. But few calls have been made upon me for council or advice and a reference to our existing laws have in every case provided the information needed.

We still have two moon lodges in the district, but it is expected that these will soon have a fixed calendar date for their meeting.

Much interest is manifest in the district over the proposed changes in our ritual. These changes, especially the short form of opening and closing the lodge, are generally approved and their adoption recommended, if they can be adopted with the proviso, that no further changes shall be made by the Grand Lodge for a period of ten or more years. It has been stated that the country lodge is opposed to these changes, I do not find this to be true more than in the city lodge, and practically the only objection in either case is the fear of opening up the way for future tinkering.

Congratulating you upon your very successful administration and with best wishes for your future prosperity and happiness, I am

Fraternally yours,

L. W. LAWTON, D.D.G.M. Twenty-fifth District.

TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

McLean, Ill., Sept. 20, 1913.

Mr. Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—It seems unnecessary except as a matter of form to make a report of the affairs of the District in which you reside, as I find nearly all of the officers and many of the members in close touch with the Most Worshipful Grand Master.

Owing to other demands upon my time I have not made as many official visits during the year as should have been made. I have, however, kept in close touch with the several lodges and am pleased to report that this has been a prosperous and profitable year for nearly all of them.

Even though Bloomington had been designated as one of the places for holding a state school we thought best to keep up our district school, so on January 13, 14 and 15 our sixth annual district school was held. It was in charge of Rt. W. Bro. J. M. Hannum and was attended by fifteen Grand Lecturers, all of the lodges in the district were represented and it undoubtedly was of more benefit to the officers and members than the state school that was held eight weeks later. The expense was cheerfully borne by the district.

Two trials have been held during the year, indicating that an effort is being made to maintain the dignity and good name of masonry. This suggests the question, Why is it so difficult to convict and adequately punish offenses against masonic law? My observation has been that at such times the membership stretch the "broad mantle of charity" even further than when it extends "beyond the grave to the boundless realms of eternity."

For the many courtesies extended to me in the past, I sincerely thank you. Fraternally yours,

H. M. Palmer, D.D.G.M. Twenty-sixth District.

TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

Danville, Ill., September 8, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Sir and Brother:—In submitting my annual report as your representative for the Twenty-seventh District, I am pleased to report that peace and harmony prevail throughout the district.

The brethren of this district have been most fraternal and cordial and have exhibited at all times, a disposition to profit by a visit from the District Deputy. I am pleased to report that in every instance where I made suggestions to the lodges on my visit last year, they have been complied with and carried out in full.

Our State District School held in the hall of Star Lodge No. 709, Hoopeston, on January 28, 29 and 30, was not as largely attended as I hoped it would be, but the interest was good and I am quite sure of good results from this school. With one or two exceptions there has been very little discord in the district and at the present time, to the best of my knowledge, every lodge in the district is laboring in peace and harmony and all are trying to excel in teaching the standard work.

Thanking you for the honor conferred on me and again congratulating you on your most excellent administration, I am

Fraternally yours,

C. L. SANDUSKY, D.D.G.M. Twenty-seventh District.

TWENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

Tolono, Ill., September 20, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother:—During the past year I have been unable to visit all the lodges of the district, but have been to twelve and with reports from the balance I believe them to be in fair condition, with one exception.

One lodge has been struggling along for several years. It is in a small town and it seems that the young men leave the town and the lodge has suffered thereby. I expect to go to this lodge within the next week.

As your proxy, I visited Cisco and instituted a lodge at that place July 1. They will ask for a charter at the coming meeting of the Grand Lodge.

January 28, 29 and 30, a district school of instruction was held at Urbana in charge of R.W. Bro. J. E. Jeffers. Much interest was manifested and great good resulted. Several lodges held schools also, and it was my pleasure to conduct some of these.

Thanking you again for the honor of serving you and wishing you a long and prosperous future, I am Sincerely,

WILSON P. JONES, D.D.G.M. Twenty-eighth District.

TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

Decatur, Ill., August 9, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Sir and Brother:—My official report to you, at this time, should ring with joy, and resound again and again with peals of victory and gladness, for truly a great work has been accomplished, in our district, magnificent reforms have been established, splendid improvements have been wrought, and all characterized and consummated with that peace and harmony which are the strength and support of all institutions. And the beauty and glory of it all is that everybody is happy, no discord exists, and general approval is manifest everywhere. The last two years mark an epoch that will be historical as the *Great Renaissance in Masonry* in Illinois. And we believe, with many others, that the craft of Illinois owe a unanimous vote of thanks to the M.W.G.M. at this time, for his systematic and effective campaign of Masonic Education and Lodge Improvement.

In our district we no longer have lodges without candidates' garments, without columns for South and West, without Middle Chamber pillars, without the dais, without rod-stands, without setting-mauls or acacias. Those are conditions that existed some three years ago. But the activities of the D.D.G.M., directed, sustained and encouraged, in every detail, by the M.W.G.M., have brought about radical improvements in masonic affairs, and such deficiencies as above enumerated have been fully and perfectly eliminated. And nobody rejoices over it more than the lodges themselves. It seems they had just been waiting for someone

in authority to come along and tell them kindly and agreeably, but firmly, what should be done.

Since January 1, 1913, I have visited everyone of the fourteen lodges in our district, and it gives me great pleasure to advise you that all of the lodges, without exception, have made consistent and conscientious efforts to comply with every suggestion and recommendation made to them last year, under your direction. It is true we have no perfect lodges (there are no *perfect* lodges), but we have some that rank very high, and might be said to be above 75 or 80 per cent perfect, and it is also true that a great deal of labor is yet to be done in assisting and encouraging the lodges, in many details, along the lines inaugurated during the past two years.

On December 6, 1912, by your authority I instituted Warrensburg Lodge, U.D., at Warrensburg, in our district, and if you could only see that lodge in session and at labor, and could know just what they are doing, I know you would be fully satisfied that no mistake was made when the dispensation was issued to them. Also, I can safely say that all the lodges in this district are now prospering and growing, better than ever before in their history.

Before closing this report I wish to enter a vigorous protest against ' the manifest tendency, in recent times, to undervalue the importance of the standard-work. We are told that there are "other things" of far greater importance, and that the great moral lessons of Masonry should be given first and highest consideration. It seems to be the fashion nowa-days, in some quarters, to depreciate the value of the standard ritual and to humiliate the ritualist by the old time comparison to a parrot or a phonograph. And what I wish to say is that as a matter of fact there is nothing in Masonry of greater importance than the standard work. It is the very essence of its strength, the life of it, the prop that holds it up. It makes Masonry unique, intellectual, classical, attractive, interesting and instructive. Moral lessons alone and unadorned (important as they are) become prosy, laborious and tiresome. Honorable men grow weary at being told how bad they are and how good they ought to be. But the standard work of Masonry presents the whole fabric in an attractive and interesting form. It appeals to the mind as well as to the heart, and rewards the achievements of the intellect with no less ardor than it applauds the strict observance of its moral precepts. Masonry sets up the very highest standard of morality, higher even than the laws of man, and the ritualist who knows the standard work, with all its t's crossed and its i's dotted, is only the better qualified to comprehend the real teachings of our ancient and honorable order. So I say the standard work should be cherished and guarded as one of our richest possessions, and scoffers at our ritual should be suppressed without delay and "sans ceremonie."

With highest personal regards and hearty congratulations on the unqualified success of both your administrations, I beg to remain

Fraternally yours,

Albert T. Summers, D.D.G.M. Twenty-ninth District.

THIRTIETH DISTRICT.

Springfield, Ill., September 29th, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—As your deputy for the Thirtieth District, I am pleased to report that the past year has been one of the unusual Masonic activity and progress in this district.

On February 25th, 26th and 27th, 1913, a District School of Instruction was held in Springfield, with R.W. Brother A. H. Scrogin in charge. The school was largely attended, and the brethren seemed to derive great benefit from the able instruction given.

The latter part of July I was honored with the appointment on a commission with R.W. Brother Summers, of Decatur, and R.W. Brother Jones, of Tolono, to consider the advisibility of recommending that a dispensation for a new lodge in Decatur be granted the petitioners. The service was performed and due report accordingly made.

Harmony seems to prevail throughout the district, and the officers and brethren of the various lodges seem anxious to improve themselves in Masonry.

With most sincere congratulations upon the success of your administration, and thanking you for the honors conferred upon me, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

HARRY L. SMITH, D.D.G.M. Thirtieth District.

THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

Jacksonville, Ill., August 25, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—In submitting my report of the Thirty-first District, I am pleased to say that so far as I can learn no dissension now exists in the lodges of the district.

At the time of my appointment May 12, 1913, there had been but one of the sixteen lodges in this district visited by a D.D.G.M. In fact, sev-

eral lodges informed me that they had never before seen a D.D.G.M. in their lodge.

Upon receiving my commission I began, as soon as possible, to visit the lodges in my district and have officially visited thirteen of the sixteen lodges in my jurisdiction, reports of which were immediately mailed to you. I hope to visit the remaining three before the coming session of the Grand Lodge.

I found the lodges to be in good financial condition, but in nearly every lodge errors were found and corrections made. I found the officers and brethren all eager to comply with the law and anxious seekers after knowledge. Each visit afforded me much pleasure and profit. A true fraternal spirit prevailed. After calling attention to the subjects set forth in your letter of instruction, I invited the officers and the brethren to ask questions and encouraged a general discussion on the subjects thus brought out. This broke down the restraint felt by some in the presence of a D.D.G.M., and resulted in a genuine old fashioned masonic meeting. The interest aroused at some of these meetings was so intense that we were carried to the mid-night hour, not realizing the flight of time. At the conclusion the brethren with a strong grip said, "You have done us good. Come again, come often."

It is my opinion that the constituent lodges can be brought to a greater degree of efficiency and in closer relationship to the Grand Lodge through the frequent visits of the D.D.G.M. And I believe the D.D.G.M. should be required to pay at least two visits a year to each lodge in his district, and to give instruction in law, record keeping and business system. I also believe our laws should be so amended as to provide for the necessary expenses of the D.D.G.M.

It is impossible for the D.D.G.M. to acquire accurate knowledge of the actual conditions in a lodge during an evening's official visit. Usually upon his arrival he is immediately taken in charge by some of the lodge officers, who under the guise of entertainment see that he does not meet the brethren until he reaches the lodge a few minutes before opening time. In my opinon the D.D.G.M. should spend a day in the town in addition to his evening's visit and thus have time to carefully look into all the affairs of the lodge, interview the brethren and thus learn the real existing conditions. And for this service he should be paid a reasonable per diem.

A matter of vital importance is the spirit of commercialism existing in some of our lodges. They are operating on a strictly business basis, their chief aim is to collect the fee. These lodges often overlook the qualifications of the petitioner as the money consideration is of more importance to them. If the character of our petitioners is allowed to deteriorate, the harm done is incurable. If the standard is once lowered,

those then admitted become the judges of future petitioners and before long our ancient and honorable fraternity will lie prone in the dust.

To my mind the district school is of inestimable value to the lodges and should receive some support from the Grand Lodge. I would suggest that in addition to the instruction given by the Grand Lecturer on ritual the D.D.G.M. be required to instruct in law and business system.

I thank you for the honor conferred upon me.

Sincerely and fraternally,

WILLIAM FAIRLIE, D.D.G.M. Thirty-first District.

THIRTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

Barry, Ill., September 1, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother:—I take pleasure in submitting my annual report for the year just closing. While we cannot rejoice in a prosperous year for the lodges of the Thirty-second District, yet we have noted few interruptions of a serious nature in the march of progress. Lodge work in the winter and spring was fairly active but the protracted heated spell of the summer almost completely paralyzed work the past few months. During my visits to the various lodges I found most of them in good condition and the membership thrifty and happy.

Rockport lodge has completed their fine new hall and they expect to dedicate it yet this fall.

No district school of instruction was held this year as only a few of the lodges signified a willingness to participate in the attendance and expense of the school. However, some of the lodges held schools on their own account—notably Timewell and El Dara—and they report well attended and profitable sessions.

An effort was made by some Masons of Baylis to organize a lodge at that place last spring, but as they did not secure enough petitioners their efforts have not been crowned with success. It is understood they will make another effort.

The brethren of this district were highly pleased to note that R.W. Bro. Emmett Howard, D.D.G.M. of the Twenty-third District, had been promoted to the Board of Grand Examiners. It is a worthy recognition of a worthy brother.

In closing, permit me to congratulate the M.W. Grand Master on his splendid administration, now closing, and to extend to him my best wishes for his future happiness and prosperity.

Fraternally,

W. W. WATSON, D.D.G.M. Thirty-second District.

THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

Quincy, Ill., Sept. 18, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—As it has been but three months since the mantle of District Deputy passed from the shoulders of Right Worshipful Emmett Howard on to the shoulders of the undersigned, I submit my brief report.

I have visited eleven lodges in my district, and will try and visit one or two more before Grand Lodge convenes. I found no discord, and little to disturb the harmony of the craft in this, the Thirty-third District.

I feel keenly the responsibility attending the duties of District Deputy, and assure you of my appreciation of the honor conferred upon me.

Fraternally yours,

Julius L. Klemme, D.D.G.M. Thirty-third District.

THIRTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

Winchester, Ill., September 10, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—In making this report as District Deputy for the Thirty-fourth District I have to say that during the year I have not been called upon to do anything in an official capacity, which fact indicates to me that the proper feeling prevails among the brethren.

The State District School, which you so kindly gave us, was much appreciated, especially by some of the smaller lodges, and while it was not attended as largely as it should have been it was of much benefit to the brethren who took advantage of it. Brother Gregory, who conducted the school, endeared himself to the brethren present by his patience and perseverance and those of us who were present are anxious to have him repeat.

I have not been able to get over the whole district this year, as I did last year, but from the best information obtainable I am able to say that the lodges are in as good a condition as usual, and have done as much work as usually occurs in the country districts.

My own lodge, Winchester No. 105, has had the busiest and most prosperous year it has enjoyed in the past twenty years, and its present and future prospects are bright.

In conclusion I thank you for the honor you have conferred upon me and wish you all the blessings of life.

Fraternally yours,

R. M. Riggs, D.D.G.M. Thirty-fourth District.

THIRTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

Carlinville, Ill., Sept. 21, 1913.

Mr. Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Sir and Most Worshipful Brother:—I have visited several lodges in this district and have informed myself about the condition of the others. The suggestions made last year have been followed. The necessary changes in by-laws have been made and records are kept in conformity to the suggestions made in the Grand Lodge circular.

Numerous questions have been asked about the proposed changes in the ritual and as a whole the changes are favorably received. The card index record of members is being made, but the secretaries of the older lodges are having considerable trouble getting the necessary information. No dissentions have been reported and only the usual business has been transacted.

Fraternally yours,

E. R. TURNBULL, D.D.G.M. Thirty-fifth District.

THIRTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

Hillsboro, Ill., Sept. 21, 1913.

Mr. Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—I herewith submit my annual report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Thirty-sixth Masonic District. My official duties have been of most pleasant nature, as nothing has come before me for adjustment but what was easily corrected and arranged amicably to all parties concerned.

Most of the lodges in this district have been busy most of the year, and have made satisfactory growth. My advice, generally, to the lodges is to improve in proficiency in work, to look well to the ballot box and cultivate the social side. The larger lodges can do much good by helping and encouraging the smaller and weaker ones. Last year in this district was the smallest lodge in the state, No. 475. This year they will show a growth of 40 per cent and material now on hand enough to keep them busy all winter. They employed a lecturer for a week and had some help from the brethren, which has put new life and courage into them.

Allow me to thank you for your many kindnesses to me and for the honor you have conferred on me by your expressions of confidence and as you now close the second year of your administration of the Grand Lodge affairs, congratulate you for the real live things you have done for the Masons of Illinois.

Sincerely fraternal,

ROBERT E. GIFFORD, D.D.G.M. Thirty-sixth District

THIRTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

Taylorville, Ill., Sept. 22, 1913.

Mr. Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother:—In submitting this report of the Thirty-seventh District for the year just ending, I regret very much to say that my business affairs have been such that it has been impossible for me to visit all the lodges of my district.

I have, however, endeavored to keep in touch with the various lodges and am pleased to note that there has been no discord among the brethren.

Through the kindness of Mound Lodge No. 122 we were enabled to hold our first District School, which was ably conducted by Right Worshipful Bro. J. E. Jeffers. Nearly all the lodges of the district were represented, much interest was manifested and I am quite sure great good was accomplished.

In conclusion, I desire to congratulate you upon your successful administration, and to thank you for the honor you have conferred upon me.

Fraternally yours,

A. M. BLOXAM, D.D.G.M. Thirty-seventh District.

THIRTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

Mattoon, Ill., September 9, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

My Dear Bro. Darrah:—Acting on your instructions I have visited every lodge in this, the Thirty-eighth District, and am pleased to report them in a flourishing condition both financially and otherwise.

I know of nothing, in my opinion, that would be of more benefit to the craft than that there be held a district school of instruction in every district in the state under the direction of the Grand Lodge and that not only the ritual be taught but that a portion of the time be spent in explaining the law and offering suggestions to the officers the best manner of conducting a lodge successfully.

Thanking you for past favors, I am

Fraternally yours,

GEO. N. TODD, D.D.G.M. Thirty-eighth District.

THIRTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

Martinsville, Ill., September 16, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—The lodges of the Thirty-ninth District are at peace, and the brethren appear to be trying to live in accord with the teachings of our ancient institution. Most of the lodges are strenuously endeavoring to keep step with the progress of the order, and to this end several lodge schools were held during the year. R.W. Bro. G. N. Todd conducted a school for Kansas and the lodges at Greenup and Scottland also held schools. A district school at Casey, in charge of R.W. Bro. J. E. Jeffers was a decided success in every particular.

No questions of more than local importance have come up for decision during the year and we have not troubled the Grand Master very much on that line

The death of R.W. Bro. Henry Gasaway on August 27, removed from earth one whose influence for the good of Masonry has been a distinct force in Eastern Illinois for two score years. Brother Gasaway was widely known and loved in masonic circles and the large outpouring of brethren to attend his funeral attests the great esteem in which he was held.

Thanking you for the honor conferred upon me and for your many kindnesses and courtesies, I am Fraternally,

J. I. Brydon, D.D.G.M. Thirty-ninth District.

FORTIETH DISTRICT.

Olney, Ill., August 9, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—As your representative, I have visited each lodge in the Fortieth Masonic District, and am pleased to report excellent conditions throughout the entire district. In my official inspection each lodge assisted me in every possible way. The brethren of the Fortieth District are wide awake and anxious to correct any irregularities.

I installed the officers in a number of the lodges, and also conducted several masonic funerals. I personally conducted four schools of instruction in the district, and assisted Bro. J. M. Hannum in the District School of Instruction at Olney.

The district meeting held at Oblong May 2 was a success in every particular. At this meeting seven candidates were raised to the Sublime Degree of M.M.

Thanking you for the honor you have conferred upon me, and with the kindest personal regards, I am

Fraternally yours,

W. H. Rupe, D.D.G.M. Fortieth District.

FORTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

Altamont, Ill., September 2, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Most Worshipful Bro.:—In submitting my annual report of the happenings of the Forty-first District during the past year, I desire to say that Masonry is about the only thing that has withstood the drought in this part of the country and survived the rays of the rising sun. It has been my good fortune to visit all of the lodges in this district this year. I found them, as a whole, in fairly good condition and was agreeably surprised to find a growing tendency towards a better adherence to masonic uplift.

We have had several local schools in our district which have resulted in much good. The meeting which appealed to me, however, as being the most fruitful was the district school which you so kindly located at Vandalia, under the supervision of Brother Burnap, who distinguished himself as an instructor of rare ability and who ingratiated himself into the hearts of the brethren by his sincere genial manner and lovable disposition.

In the schools that have been held in this district, we have endeavored to teach the ritual as revised by your committee. And while there has been some disposition shown to criticise the different changes in the work, I think, on the whole, they are well pleased with the improvements. In behalf of the brethren of the Forty-first Masonic District, I desire to extend their appreciation for the untiring efforts of the committee in revising the ritual to conform more closely to the exemplified work.

Wishing you the many things that help to make life pleasant and thanking you for the many favors bestowed, I am

Yours fraternally,

C. O. FAUGHT, D.D.G.M. Forty-first District.

FORTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

Jeffersonville, Ill., September 6, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Bro. Darrah:—I herewith submit my report for the Forty-second Masonic District.

Out of the nine lodges I have visited I find two or three with internal dissension that I have endeavored to remove, with only partial success. So far as I am informed all other lodges in this district are working in peace and harmony. Reports on lodges visited this year will show that in almost every instance they have complied with my suggestions of one year ago.

On March 18, 19 and 20, 1913, one of the State District Schools was held at Flora, under the direction of R.W. Bro. D. G. Fitzgerrell. The attendance at this school was not what it should have been, but those present expressed themselves as well repaid for their time. Brother Fitzgerrell and the writer tender our thanks to the following R.W. Brethren: Chas. H. Martin, J. R. Ennis, Anthony Doherty, C. H. Thompson, J. E. Glathart, T. C. Hambleton and R. C. Davenport, whose presence and assistance helped make this school a success.

In conclusion I desire to again express my appreciation of the honor you have conferred upon me, and congratulate you on your very successful administration.

Fraternally yours,

C. N. Hambleton, D.D.G.M. Forty-second District.

FORTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

October 4, 1913.

Je!mar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—I have been unable during the past year to give the Lodges in this District the attention that I have previously given them, and what I have been able to accomplish for the good of the fraternity in the 43rd District has not been at all satisfactory to myself.

Masonry has prospered in this District—not only in the point of numbers—but in the interest taken by the membership; and there has been the proper healthy growth in nearly all the lodges.

Have not been called upon officially during the entire year, and while I have not been able to make the visits I would like to have made, I have managed to keep in touch with the brethren, and conditions are as they should be in all of the lodges.

Thanking you for the confidence shown in me by my appointment as your Deputy in this District, and wishing you and yours long life and happiness, I am

Sincerely and fraternally,

L. CAYWOOD, D.D.G.M. Forty-third District.

FORTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

East St. Louis, Ill., September 3, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Sir and M.W. Bro.:—I beg to submit this my official report as District Deputy Grand Master for the Forty-fourth District. I have visited each of the sixteen lodges in my district at least once. I installed the officers of East St. Louis Lodge No. 504.

Early in the year a district school was held at the Masonic Temple at East St. Louis under the direction of R.W. Bro. H. T. Burnap, and was a great success. The officers of most of the lodges attended and were well pleased with the instruction given.

Have been called upon a number of times to construe the masonic law, and where my opinion was in writing I forwarded copies to you.

My business affairs prevented my visiting but few of my lodges until after the middle of July, and then I had considerable trouble in making appointments as a number of the "moon" lodges had changed their meeting nights without giving me notice.

The lodges are now equipped with the necessary blanks and paraphernalia, and with the exception of four or five the officers are able to confer the degrees in a creditable manner.

Financially the lodges are in good condition, four of them owning their own halls, and the others all have good meeting places.

The "back to the farm movement" has not yet struck this district and therefore the city lodges are doing all the work and the country lodges are suffering on account of the young men moving to the cities and larger towns to obtain employment, and take their degrees, leaving only their fathers to do the home guarding.

In all my visits I have received a cordial reception by the brethren.

I wish to thank you for the confidence you have placed in me by appointing me as your representative in this district, and extend to you my kindest personal regards. I remain

Fraternally yours,
H. L. Browning,
D.D.G.M. Forty-fourth District.

FORTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

Mt. Vernon, III., September 12, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—It affords me pleasure to report that I have visited all of the lodges in this, the Forty-fifth District, in each instance was received very courteously, and with very few exceptions found they had been prompt in carrying out the suggestions made by the D.D.G.M. (Bro. D. G. Fitzgerrell) last year.

A number of questions have been propounded, and a few unusual cases have been brought to my attention, all have been settled satisfactorily, so far as I know; to be sure I was compelled to ask your assistance in settling some of them.

There are two factors that are working in the same direction, and the result is the betterment of Masonry, one is the district school, and the other is the visitation of the District Deputy; the result is due to the fact that the lodges are being brought closer together, and the members better acquainted. I hope this district will continue its schools.

The district school held at DuQuoin last March was a great success. Bro. A. E. Wood, assisted by others, put their best efforts into the school. I mailed you at that time a detailed report of it.

Our lodges are in a harmonious and prosperous condition, though a few have some outstanding indebtedness, they are reducing their liabilities gradually, and none are in bad repute with their creditors. While I was not able to report, in my detailed reports on several lodges, that I had witnessed work done by them, I have since witnessed work by most of them; and the others, I have acquired a knowledge of the character of work they are doing through the former District Deputy and from Grand Lecturers who have visited them, and while some mistakes are made all are attempting to give the work as taught by the Board of Grand Examiners.

I wish to congratulate you on your successful administration, and thank you for the courtesies shown and the honor conferred on me. I assure you I have taken great pleasure in fulfilling the duties of the office.

Fraternally yours,

KEITH T. STRATTON, D.D.G.M. Forty-fifth District.

FORTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

Burnt Prairie, III., September 1, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.H. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—The past year in the Forty-sixth Masonic District has been a very quiet one. I have visited every lodge in my district, and while they are not all busy with work, yet harmony and peace prevail and the members seem to be interested in their meetings. All my expenses were cheerfully paid by the lodges.

All my suggestions were cheerfully accepted and I believe all the lodges are now properly equipped for the transaction of business, and the conferring of the degrees. I have been called to give instruction in the standard work sixteen days in my district, beside the time necessary to make my visits, and the officers and brethren all seem anxious to make themselves proficient in the standard work, and all seem favorably impressed with changes and grammatical corrections suggested by the committee appointed to determine what the ritual of our grand jurisdiction should be. I have been treated with the utmost courtesy by the craft, for which I return my grateful thanks.

Thanking you for the confidence expressed in my reappointment to this position, I beg to remain Fraternally yours,

JAMES R. ENNIS, D.D.G.M. Forty-sixth District

FORTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

Harrisburg, Ill., August 26, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—It is with pleasure that I submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Forty-seventh District.

I have visited all of the lodges in my district and was received into each with the greatest of courtesy. I find that most of the lodges have all the necessary paraphernalia and those who have not, agreed to purchase same at once. Peace and harmony prevail throughout the district.

On March 11, 12 and 13 our state district school was held in Eldorado. This school was in charge of R.W. Bro. J. M. Hannum, chairman of the Board of Grand Examiners, assisted by R.W. Bro. D. G. Fitzgerrell, member of the board, and C. H. Thompson, O. J. Davis and myself, Grand Lecturers. The attendance was good and the school was a complete success.

Acting as your proxy I had the pleasure of instituting Broughton Lodge, U.D., on the evening of April 17 and Dahlgren Lodge, U.D., on the evening of May 12. I have since visited each of these lodges and find them to be in good condition.

I think the District Deputy should visit each lodge in his district at least once each year and much good will be the result.

Thanking you for the honor you have conferred upon me and congratulating you on your successful administration, I am

Fraternally yours,

R. C. DAVENPORT, D.D.G.M. Forty-seventh District.

FORTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

Johnston City, Sept. 18, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—I herewith submit my second annual report as your representative of the Forty-eighth District. In visiting the lodges, I find a marked improvement in conditions over last year; the secretaries, almost unanimously, welcomed the suggestions offered by me in keeping their records, and have kept them in good shape since my first visit. The gain for the year has not been strong; most of the lodges have done but little work during the summer, but I find that many have considerable work on hand, and will be active the rest of the year. Our private dis-

trict school this year was very beneficial, and I would recommend that one be held at some place in the district each year.

Expressing my appreciation of the honor of representing you in this district, congratulating you on your very successful administration, and with kindest personal regards, I remain

Yours fraternally,

M. OZMENT, D.D.G.M. Forty-eighth District.

FORTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

Anna, Ill., September 12, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Bro. Darrah:—In accordance with your instructions I have visited all the lodges in this, the Forty-ninth District, and have made reports to you on each and all of them. Some of the lodges are very prosperous and some are not, but I find the members of them all to be loyal and enthusiastic Masons, trying as nearly as they can to conform to all the requirements and such mistakes as they have made are unintentional on their part.

I have had occasion to criticize the secretaries of the lodges for the manner in which their records are kept more than for any other reason. I have made such recommendations and suggestions to all the lodges that I deemed proper and I believe that there is a steady improvement not only in the manner of doing the work but also in conducting the business affairs of the lodges in this district. I have thoroughly enjoyed my visits to the various lodges and have received courteous and in some instances enthusiastic reception from the members of all the lodges.

It has been a source of great pleasure and has well repaid me for the time I have spent in this way and I feel very grateful to you for having appointed me District Deputy Grand Master of this district.

Yours fraternally,

W. W. THOMAS, D.D.G.M. Forty-ninth District.

FIFTIETH DISTRICT.

Metropolis, Ill., September 5, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—Herewith please find annual report for the Fiftieth Masonic District.

Each lodge in the district has been visited by the District Deputy Grand Master and a complete report of the condition of each lodge has been made to the Grand Master.

The year 1012-1913 has brought some improvement to the local lodges. The officers of the various lodges have a better conception of their duties and are more earnest and zealous in qualifying for their respective positions. The officers have grown masonically since election. The members are more interested in the welfare of their lodges and there is a general tendency toward a higher masonic standard. The individual mason is growing and will demand a growth in his lodge officers. There is an improvement in the lodge equipment or paraphernalia, but it is not yet all it should be. But the greatest improvement shown is a growth toward the realization of the great moral instruction taught by our order.

The Grand Lodge District School of Instruction was beneficial to our lodges and was appreciated. We are grateful for the able and thorough instructor you sent to us for this school, Bro. C. L. Gregory, of Aledo. He was ably assisted by R.W. Brothers Davenport and Ozment and Grand Lecturer Speckman.

The spring of 1913 witnessed the greatest flood in history along the lower Ohio river. Disaster and distress was brought to many portions of Southern Illinois, and the Fiftieth District was touched perceptibly. The Masons living in these flooded localities proved themselves men and heroes, and when approached about aid and assistance the words, "Pass on, you may find someone in a worse condition than we are," seemed to be their unanimous unselfish thought. Their attitude was splendid. Your timely and prompt action in offering aid, assistance and encouragement to these afflicted people was certainly appreciated.

The Grand Master has been kept in full knowledge with the action of the lodges in this district and the improvements made during the year, as before, have been under his directing hand.

Thanking you for the courtesies extended during the year and for the confidence reposed in me as your representative, I am

Yours fraternally,

E. J. Cowling, D.D.G.M. Fiftieth District.

GERMAN SPEAKING LODGES.

Chicago, Ill., September 8, 1913.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Bro. Darrah:—Beg to submit my report on the work done among the German Speaking Lodges of our Grand Jurisdiction, during the past masonic year.

Instructions were given under my personal supervision in thirty-one instances. The really great effort put forth by all interested has borne splendid fruit and it can be truthfully said that the ritualistic work has experienced a marked improvement and that a few of the lodges have attained a very high degree of efficiency.

Of the thirty-one schools held, five may justly be called district schools, as they were attended by the officers and workers of all of the seven Chicago lodges. The registry book kept for these schools, shows an average attendance of sixty. Through the courtesy of the several lodges, it became possible, to hold these schools without any cost to the Grand Lodge.

Thorough instructions were also given to the lodges located at Bloomington and Peoria.

All lodges of the district were officially visited, and it was found that with but one exception, all can boast of a very healthy growth and that all have retained their splendid financial and social standing.

To prove how greatly the appointment of a special deputy is appreciated, it may suffice to say that I was called upon to install the officers of three of the lodges and to be present at all of the larger social functions.

Kindly accept my personal thanks and those of my brethren for the opportunity given me to serve on several committees and at some of the Occasional Grand Lodges held.

A very busy year is drawing to a close, but the results obtained are worthy of the efforts made.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

WILLIAM ARENS, D.D.G.M. Special District.

REPORT OF BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS.

Gibson City, Ill., Oct. 3, 1913.

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James JohnChicago

Dear Brother: The Board of Grand Examiners beg leave to submit the following report:

Immediately after your appointment of the Board of Grand Examiners in October, 1912, the Board met and recommended that the commissions as Grand Lecturers of the following brethren be renewed:

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During the year the following brethren were examined and recommended for commissions as Grand Lecturers:

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In pursuance of your your orders, the Board conducted five Schools of Instructions as follows:

Cairo, January 7, 8, 9; Chicago, January 21, 22, 23; Quincy, February 4, 5, 6; Freeport, February 18, 19, 20; Bloomington, March 4, 5, 6.

Twelve Districts Schools were conducted by individual members of the Board as follows:

Hoopeston and Carrollton, January 28, 29. 30; Pontiac, Elgin, Metropolis and Vandalia, February 11, 12, 13; Olney, February 25, 26, 27; Eldorado, March 11, 12, 13; Litchfield and Flora, March 15, 19, 20; Macomb and Du Quoin, March 25, 26, 27.

The district Schools were all well attended, and we believe much good was accomplished. On account of the large number of District

Schools, the attendance at the five State Schools was undoubtedly considerably smaller than it otherwise would have been. Nevertheless the aggregate attendance at the State Schools of Grand Lecturers, D.D.G.M.'s, officers of lodges and members of the Craft, was far greater than during any previous year, which fact certainly furnishes gratifying evidence of the great usefulness of the Schools and the strongest kind of argument for their continuance.

The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were present at all the State Schools, which added much to their value and usefulness. Numerous other present and past Grand officers attended one or more of the Schools, and their presence greatly encouraged those present in their efforts to perfect themselves in the "work" and become more useful members of the fraternity. The plan which was adopted last year to somewhat extend the scope of instruction beyond the teaching of the ritual was continued at all the State Schools this year, and the general interest manifested would seem to justify a continuance of such efforts at future Schools.

The members of the Board are glad to avail themselves of this opportunity to express to you their appreciation of the uniform kindness, courtesy and consideration which you have shown to them.

Fraternally submitted,

BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS, ARTHUR E. WOOD, Secretary.

DETAILED REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

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

Your Committee on Credentials fraternally report that the following brethren whose names appear in this report are present and entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge:

GRAND OFFICERS.

GRAND GITTEERS.
Bro. Delmar D. Darrah
Bro. Henry T. Burnap
Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler
Bro. Austin H. Scrogin
Bro. Leroy A. Goddard
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541	R. E. Voris	627	A. E. Brooks
542	R. C. VannermanS.W.	631	E. O. Hale W.M. E. K. Bute W.M.
$\frac{543}{544}$	Charles SallowsS. W. J. C. ChittickW.M.	632	W. R. Hornada*W.M.
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550	Burton A. BlakeW.M.	634	Frank Hall W.M.
552	B. F. ColehouerW.M.	635	James H. Walker S W
554	S. A. TownsendS. W.	636	J. C. HoenkW.M.
555	Edward E. MullW.M.	639	Harry C Reser*J.W.
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560	Henry E. Dick*W.M.	645	Will Huelinger
562	E. P. Easterday*W.M.	647	D. H. KnightW.M. C. L. CampbellW.M.
$\frac{564}{565}$	W. G. TylerW.M. Frank S. BerryS. W.	648	E. L. Daly
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675	I. P. DavenportS. W.	738	C. E. McElroyW.M.
676	E. L. ParshallW.M.		R. L. ScovelS.W.
677	Geo, M. WilsonW.M.		Bruce WreyJ. W.
	Joseph Ryan*W.M.	739	Bruce WreyJ. W. John Pollock, JrW.M.
679			Ernest E. GaskillS. W.
680	Frank Pierce GreenS.W.	741	Andrew T. PetersW.M.
681	John B. LowderW.M.	742	J. Ashby UtleyS. W.
	Oscar L. SwingerS.W.	743	Seigel ArnoldJ. W.
682	J. D. Bottrell	744	William H. Thomas*W.M.
	A. A. Bauer*S.W.	745	H. J. WaterstreetW.M.
683	R. L. Loomis	746	Alfred E. StoneW.M.
684	W. L. MangleW.M.	747	C. F. Van VleckW.M.
685	J. P. MansfieldS.W.	748	Howard I. CaseS. W.
686	Frank G. MilliganW.M.	749	J. J. Bundy
	John R. Small*S. W.	750	
687	J. H. Gams	751	
688	Frank W. MeentsW.M.	101	E. E. MyersW.M. A. Willard Abbott*S. W.
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691	Eli F. Patrick	754	
692	W. C. RebhanW.M.	755	
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697	Charles H BeadellW.M.	758	Benj. A. WhitcombW.M.
	Sam A. CampbellS.W.		Fred B. CarverS. W.
	Henry Fenk*J. W.	770	Geo. W. NoeJ. W.
698	C. W. McMorrisW.M.	759	J. M. Forth
701	C. A. Field	$\begin{array}{ c c c } 761 \\ 762 \end{array}$	E. T. Johnston
702	E. L. Beal	763	John C. Harris*W.M.
704	A. H. NelsonW.M.		C. B. Eskilson
705	J. D. Hemphill	764 765	Geo. W. Miller*
706	Dudley Cosart	100	Claude R. EganW.M.
709	W. J. SwansonW.M.		E. G. BurgerS. W.
710	I. F. Houseman*W.M.	766	Jas. DanaghJ. W.
711	I. F. Houseman*	767	L. L. HorneyW.M.
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796	W. A. Jolley W.M.	847	J. C. Flatley
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	Samuel G. ArnoldS. W.	850	Wm. SchiflerW.M.
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801	Chris MillerW.M.	853	A. B. PotterW.M.
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804	Charles BakkersW.M.	855	Alfred A. NortonW.M.
	Henry GuthardtS. W.		Edward H. TitusS. W.
	M. P. HowlesJ. W.		Charles H. RosbergJ.W.
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310	G. W. CummingsS. W.		J. C. JonesJ. W.
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835	James Kerr*		A. Scott DowdJ. W.
836	E. A. BertramS. W.	880	J. W. Strook W.M.
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838	Harold CriswellW.M.	881	J. H. LundS. W.
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893	J. F. Adair S. W.	931	Arthur J. TaylorW.M.
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895	I. Milton CohnJ.W.	932	Hugo T. ZarembaJ. W.
897	Otto A. Lies	933	L. C. Ruby
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898	William E. MichaelJ. W.	954	Scott J. DowJ. W.
899	H. P. Loose S. W.	935	Wm. T. LewisJ. W.
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300	D. M. WillardJ. W.		Elof PetersonS. W.
901	Chas. G. RodenW.M.	938	Duncan L. Boden W.M.
902	W. A. FosterW.M.	939	Nicholas NatsonW.M.
903	J. N. CassadyW.M.	940	F. M. ThurmonW.M.
904	A. C. Semple	941	William J. Hilliard W.M.
905	Mark B. White		Frank W. Sandiland S. W.
906	Harry H. BlackburnW.M.	ĺ	Dick S. FordJ. W.
908	R. E. Lee PagelsW.M.	942	Robert T. EmbersonW.M.
	Andrew ToddS. W.	943	Charles J. Novak
	Enoch Lawson* J.W.		Harry J. ChocolS.W.
910	Geo. W. LawrenceW.M.		Otto J. PelikanJ.W.
911	J. M. Jordan	944	Geo. King ReederW.M.
912	W. J. Daily		B. Breakstone*S. W.
913	Adelbert M. BassfordW.M.	0.45	L. B. HoffingJ.W.
	Fred B. TelfordS.W.	945	Ben F. EdwardsS.W.
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914	Roger T. FarleyW.M. G. V. NermisSW	341	Wm. B. AitkenJ.W.
		948	John C. WardW.M.
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	C. V. TuneliusJ.W.	010	Henry M. ThompsonS.W.
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	Louis J. AndersonS. W.		R. K. FreemanS. W.
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DETAILED REPORT COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

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NAMES.	OFFICE.	Miles	Mileage	Per Diem.	Total
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R. W. DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

NAMES.	DISTRICTS.	Miles	Mileage	Per Diem.	Total
Maxwell Levy H. W. Harvey H. A. Dever T. M. Avery D. D. King W. H. Bled C. F. Newkirk C. J. Wightman C. L. Snyder J. L. Brearton B. A. Cottlow D. M. Baird John A. Charters M. T. Booth F. H. Bradley W. H. Barnard B. T. Harley W. I. Holcomb	1st District. 2d " 3d " 4th " 5th " 6th " 7th " 8th " 10th " 11th " 12th " 13th " 14th " 15th " 16th "	1 3 77 1 1 8 6 46 46 114 138 99 52 84 152 111 84 46 56	\$10 00 8 30 70 10 80 60 4 60 11 40 13 80 9 90 5 20 8 40 15 20 11 10 8 40 4 60 15 20 8 40 16 20 17 20 18 20	6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6	\$6 10 6 30 6 70 6 10 6 10 6 80 10 60 17 40 19 80 11 20 11 20 11 4 40 21 20 11 10 14 40 10 60 11 60
W. A. Hoover Chas. H. Ireland E. J. Tye	19th " 20th " 21st "	110 127 163	11 00 12 70 16 30	6 6 6	17 00 18 70 22 30

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NAMES.	DISTRICTS.	Miles	Mileage	Per Diem.	Total
D. E. Farr L. W. Morton E. M. Crain L. W. Lawton H. M. Palmer C. L. Sandusky W. P. Jones A. T. Summers H. L. Smith Wm. Fairlee W. W. Watson J. L. Klemme R. M. Riggs E. R. Turnbull R. E. Gifford A. M. Bloxam G. N. Todd J. I. Brydon H. H. Rupe C. O. Faught C. N. Hambleton H. L. Browning Keith Stratton J. R. Ennis R. C. Davenport M. Ozment W. W. Thomas	22d District 23d 24th " 25th " 26th " 27th " 28th " 28th " 39th " 30th " 31st " 32d " 33d " 34th " 35th " 36th " 36th " 41st " 41st " 42d " 44th " 45th " 46th " 47th "	176 181 182 1826 157 141 124 137 141 124 137 173 185 227 2263 225 225 225 221 186 272 231 211 251 187 276 310 310 365	\$17 60 \$18 10 22 60 15 70 14 10 12 40 17 30 18 50 22 63 26 30 26 30 23 50 23 50 19 30 17 20 21 10 22 10 23 10 21 10 25 10 27 20 30 60 31 60 36 50	666666666666666666666666666666666666666	\$23 60 24 10 28 60 20 10 18 40 19 70 24 50 24 50 28 70 32 30 29 50 29 50 29 20 20 20 21 60 22 10 31 10 33 60 33 60 37 00
E. J. Cowling. Wm. Areas.	50th "G'm'n Sp'ki'g Lodges	366 7	36 60 70	6	42 60 6 70

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MASONIC JURISPRUDENCE. M. C. Crawford. C. E. Allen W. B. Wright. A. M. Hallewell. A. A. Norton.	330 163 199 215 12	\$33 00 16 30 19 90 21 50 1 20	20 20 20	\$ 53 00 36 30 39 90 41 50 21 20
APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES. J. E. Dyas	160 126 249 173 37	16 00 12 60 24 90 17 30 3 70	35 35 35	51 00 47 60 59 90 52 30 38 70
CHARTERED LODGES P. C. Barclay C. P. Ross J. A. Asserson T. W. Nixon Jas. McCredie	365 215 1 118 37	36 50 21 50 10 11 80 3 70	35 35 35	71 50 56 50 35 10 46 80 38 70

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LODGES UNDER DISPENSATION. R. F. Lock	87 1 231 5	\$8 70 10 23 10 50 10	20 20 20	\$ 28 70 20 10 43 10 20 50 20 10
MILEAGE AND PER DIEM. W. F. Beck. G. W. Cyrus A. Doherty Nimrod Mace H. T. Goddard	231 241 248 127 249	23 10 24 10 24 80 12 70 24 90	20	53 10 44 10 44 80 32 70 44 90
S. O. Spring FINANCE. Thos. A. Stevens N. N. Lampert.	150 4 1	15 00 40 10	20 20 20	35 00 20 40 20 10
Owen Scott	173	17 30	20	37 30
Geo. M. Moulton W. A. Dixon. R. J. Daly. James A. Steele H. W. Berks R. C. Fletcher.	1 173 1 176 128 15	10 17 30 10 17 60 12 80 1 50	20 20 20	20 10 37 30 20 10 37 20 32 80 21 50
CREDENTIALS. N. B. Carson H. A. Clevenstine Geo. E. Carlson Chas. H. Thompson R. C. Clark	126 175 175 276 6	12 60 17 50 17 50 27 60 60	20 20 20	32 60 37 50 37 50 47 60 20 60
J. E. Jeffers. Louis Zinger. W. F. Gibson	158 158 365	15 80 15 80 36 50	20	35 80 35 80 56 50
J. C. Weis Jos. Wetzell. W. L. Sharp.	150 126 7	15 00 12 60 70	20	35 00 32 60 20 70
GRAND MASTER'S ANNUAL REPORT. L. L. Emmerson. D. E. Bruffett. R. G. Bright.	276 130 124	27 60 13 00 12 40	20	47 60 33 00 32 40
Elmer E. Beach. C. L. Gregory A. E. Wood Emmett Howard I. H. Todd				

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SPECIAL COMMITTEES			1	
JURISDICTION OF CHICAGO LODGES.	220	20.00	-00	42.00
Chas. H. Martin	229 12	22 90 1 20	20 20	$\begin{array}{cccc} 42 & 90 \\ 21 & 20 \end{array}$
T C Johnson	139	13 90	20	33 90
A W Gage	12	1 20	20	21 20
N. M. Mesnard	187	18 70	20	38 70
LIBRARY FOR MASONIC HOMES.				
Chas. E. Bassett R. K. Wheeler	124 5	12 40 50	20 20	32 40 20 50
S. M. Frankland	1	10		20 10
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REVISION OF BLUE BOOK.				
W E Edwards.	i	10	20	20 10
Alonzo Dolan	126	12 60	20	32 60
LAWS.				
A H Bell	224	22 40		42 40
A M Otman.	150	15 00		35 00
E. C. Mullin	1	10	20	20 10
GIL W. BARNARD HOSPITAL.				
Chas. DeHart	238 8	23 80 80		43 80 20 80
Amos Pettibone	5	50		20 50
D. G. Swannell	128	12 80	20	32 80
Geo. Edwards	8	80	20	20 80
SPECIAL COM. ON ENDOWMENT.				
John C. Crawford	330	33 00	15	48 00
REVISION OF RITUAL.				
H. T. Burnap	259	25 90		45 90
I. H. Todd	281	28 10		48 10
D. G. Fitzgerell Edward Cook	298	29 80		20 10
E. E. Beach	10	1 00	20	21 00
C. L. Gregory	176	17 60		37 60 31 00
A. E. Wood Emmet Howard	110 281	11 00 28 10		48 10
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REPRESENTATIVES.

LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles	Mileage	Per Diem.	Total
Bodley	1	A. E. Kidd	263	\$ 26 30	86	\$32 30
Equality	2	Carroll H. Davis	307	30 70	6	36 70
Harmony Springfield	3	Albert C. Metcalf	215 185	21 50 18 50	6 6	27 50 24 50
Friendship	7	D. S. Horton	98	9 80	6	15 80
Macon	8	Marshall N. Shaw	173	17 30	6	23 30
Rushville	9	J. Y. McFeeters	227	22 70	6	28 70
St. John's	13	Henry F. Lining	100	10 00	6	16 00
Warren	14 15	J. L. Porter L. W. Smith	310 150	31 00 15 00	6	37 00 21 00
Temperance	16	Robert W. Hickman	230	23 00	6	29 00
Macomb	17	S. P. Odenweller	203	20 30	- 6	26 30
Clinton	$\frac{19}{20}$	Ross A. Nance	$\frac{188}{238}$	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	6 6	24 80 29 80
Hancock	23	W. C. Hamilton	225	22 50	6	28 50
St. Clair	24	A. M. Wolleson	295	29 50	6	35 50
Franklin	25	Wm. F. Sinclair	259	25 90	6	31 90
Piasa	27	P. W. Cruze	257 158	25 70 15 80	6	31 70
Pekin Mt. Vernon	$\frac{29}{31}$	Thad W. Rodecker	276	27 60	6	21 80 33 60
Oriental.	33	Henry McPhearson	1	10	6	6 10
Barry	34	F. M. Strubinger	263	26 30	6	32 30
Charleston	35	J. W. Gannaway.	182 144	18 20 14 40	6	24 20
Kavanaugh	$\frac{36}{37}$	Donald Bryson	179	17 90	6	20 40 23 90
Olive Branch	38	Charles M. Karns	124	12 40	6	18 40
Herman	39	Wm. F. Apenbrink	263	26 30	6	32 30
Occidental	40	Glenn W. Weese	84 37	8 40 3 70	6	14 40 9 70
Mt. Joliet Bloomington	42 43	Chas. C. Stark	126	12 60	6	18 60
Hardin	44	Chas. J. Keith	255	25 50	6	31 50
Griggsville	45	Arthur J. Brierley	246	24 60	6	30 60
Temple	46 47	J. R. Nelson H. B. Eshleman	150 368	15 00 36 80	6	21 00 42 80
Caledonia Unity	48	G N. Lamb	36	3 60	6	9 60
Cambridge	49	Jay B. Taylor	154	15 40	6	21 40
Carrollton	50	A. E. Hoag	249	24 90	6	30 90
Mt. Moriah Benevolent	51 52	Jas. Welsh H. D. Berger	232 238	23 20 23 80	6	29 20 29 80
Jackson	53	Wm. Taylor	195	19 50	6	25 50
Washington	55	O. C. Rabenneck	277	27 70	6	33 70
Trio	57	L. E. Hemenway	175	17 50	6	23 50 20 60
Fraternal New Boston	58 59	W. L. Finson C. F. Lytle	146 189	14 60 18 90	6	24 90
Belvidere	60	W. H. Berry	78	7 80	6	13 80
Lacon	61	Chas. W. Caker	128	12 80	6	18 80
St. Marks	63	Jesse R. Kingsley	51 307	5 10 30 70	6	11 10 36 70
Benton	64 65	J. Smith Moore C. F. Stark	29	2 90	6	8 90
Pacific	66	W. S. Heagy	168	16 80	6	22 80
Acacia	67	Elmer Tregay	99	9 90	4	13 90
Eureka	69	Geo. N. Campbell	175 185	17 50 18 50	6	23 50 24 50
Central	71 72	Wm. O. Hodges Stephen A. Douglas	321	32 10	6	38 10
Rockton	74	Chas. C. Gayton	102	10 20	6	16 20
Roscoe	75	G. M. Taft	86	8 60	6	14 60
Mt. Nebo	76 77	R. A. Baltsee	224 160	22 40 16 00	6	28 40 22 00
Prairie Waukegan	78	Shapley A. Mapes Henry W. Pritchard	36	3 60	6	9 60

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LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	S.	Mileage	Di	7
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Scott	79	Malcolm N. Todd	262	\$26 20	\$6	\$32 20
Whitehall	80	R. A. Hamilton	240	24 00	6	30 00
Vitruvius	81 84	Gus A. Olson	30 148	3 00	4	7 00
DeWitt Mitchell	85	Montrose G. Taylor J. Norton Taffee	290	14 80 29 00	6	20 80 35 00
Kaskaskia	86	P. E. Sauer	313	31 30	6	37 30
Mt. Pulaski	87	R. D. Clark	169	16 90	6	22 90
Hayana	88	C. F. Haack	188	18 80	6	24 80
Fellowship	89 90	W. N. Swan	$\frac{316}{37}$	31 60 3 70	6	37 60 9 70
Jerusalem Temple Metropolis	91	J. A. Helm	366	36 60	6	42 60
Stewart	92	Frank F. Pierce	159	15 90	6	21 90
Toulon	93	A. H. Grange	144	14 40	6	20 40
Perry	95 96	M. Buchanan	252 106	25 20 10 60	6	31 20 16 60
Samuel H. Davis Excelsior	97	Gregor Thompson Chas. S. Pack	114	11 40	6	17 40
Taylor	98	Roy W. Miller	134	13 40	6	19 40
Edwardsville	99	Geo. W. Crossman	267	26 70	6	32 70
Astoria	100	A. D. Foster	218	21 80	6	27 80
Rockford Magnolia	103	F. E. Stockberger C. F. Freeman	87 123	8 70 12 30	6	14 70 18 30
Lewistown	104	F. L. Lilly	194	19 40	6	25 40
Winchester	105	F. L. Lilly C. A. Sibert	235	23 50	6	29 50
Lancaster	106	Fred L. Vandeventer	164	16 40	6	22 40
Versailles	108 109	R. E. Reed	246 278	24 60 27 80	6	30 60 33 80
Trenton	110	E. J. Brown	286	28 60	6	34 60
Jonesboro	111	Jas. S. Gore	330	33 00	6	39 00
Robert Burns	113	L. J. Temple	193	19 30	6	25 30
Marcelline	114 115	Alfred E. Wait	271 46	27 10 4 60	6	33 10 10 60
Rising Sun Vermont	116	W. H. Moore L. S. Edie	211	21 10	6	27 10
Elgin	117	F. B. Johnston	37	3 70	6	9 70
Waverly	118	L. D. Detherage	210	21 00	6	27 00
Henry	119 122	Frank Johnson Scott P. Bowyer	128 202	12 80 20 20	6	18 80 26 20
Mound Oquawka	123	W. S. Wilson	202	20 20	6	26 20
Cedar	124	Louis J. Bram	62	6 20	4	10 20
Greenup	125	Luke F. Aldrich	194	19 40	6	25 40
Empire	126 127	Chas. G. Harer	158 55	15 80 5 50	6	21 80 11 50
Antioch Raleigh	128	Henry Patch	304	30 40	6	36 40
Greenfield	129	Carson F. Metcalf	252	25 20	6	31 20
Marion	130	Will S. Slack	249	24 90	6	30 90
Golconda	131 132	Geo. E. Trampe	372 146	37 20 14 60	6 6	43 20 20 60
Mackinaw Marshall	133	G. G. Pierdunce	177	17 70	6	23 70
Sycamore	134	W. I. Darting	52	5 20	6	11 20
Lima	135	J. E. Harness	276	27 60	6	33 60
Hutsonville	136	Frank Kopta	197	19 70	6	25 70
Polk	137	H. B. Powell W. C. Woodard	305 66	30 50 6 60	6	36 50 10 60
Geneva	139	Ralph W. Lafborn	36	3 60	6	9 60
Olney	140	Ralph W. Lafborn Amos. W. Doan	231	23 10	6	29 10
Olney Garden City	141	Ebenezer Edwards	1 1	10	6	6 10
Ames	142 143	F. W. Sanford	120 63	12 00 6 30	6	12 30
Richmond DeKalb	144	Harry W. McEwen	58	5 80	6	11 80
A. W. Rawson	145	W. H. Keith	101	10 10	6	16 10
A. W. Rawson Lee Center	146	F. L. Kesselring	95	9 50	6	15 50
Clayton	147	L. P. Peters	242	24 20 14 70	6	30 20 20 70
Bloomfield Effingham	148 149	John H. Owens David L. Wright	147 199	14 70 19 90	6	20 70 25 90
Vienna	150	Noel Whitehead	340	34 00	6	40 00
Bunker Hill		Ralph H. Hayes	250	25 00	6	31 00
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LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles	Mileage	Per Diem.	Total
Fidelity	152	Arthur R. Rich	240	\$24 00	% 0	*30 00
Clay	153	H. A. Walker	267	26.70	-6	32 70
Russell	154	Wm. Everett	135	13 50	6	19.50
Alpha	155	Frank L. Shaw	163	16 30	- 6	22 30
Delavan	156	J. E. Reinheimer	157	15 70	0	21.70
Urbana	157 158	W. G. Spurgin Jas. C. Holley	130	13 00	6	19 00
McHenry Kewanee	159	P. P. Delano	131	4 60 13 10	6	10 60 19 10
Waubansia	160	H. H. Heath	131	10	6	6 10
Virden	161	J. R. Woodrow	207	20 70	6	26 70
Норе	162	Samuel E. Grigg	299	29 90	6	35 90
Edward Dobbins	164	E. A. Brunson	225	22 50	6	28 50
Atlanta	165	J. C. Reinmiller	146	14 60	6	20 60
Star in the East	166	W. B. Jaycox	87	8 70	- 6	14 70
Milford	168	M. W. Crist	88	8 80	6	14 80
Nunda Evergreen	169 170	Fred Jastram	43	4 30	6	10 30
Girard	171	Samuel Gasen	114 211	11 40 21 10	6 6	17 40. 27 10
Wayne	172	W. D. Sampson	152	15 20	6	21 20
Cherry Valley	173	W. D. Sampson H. B. Kezar	84	8 40	6	14 40
Lena	174	D. M. DeGraff	126	12 60	6	18 60
Matteson	175	A. E. Grinton	37	3 70	- 6	9.70
Mendota	176	E. A. Walker	84	8 40	6	14 40
Staunton	177	R. H. Tate	245	24 50	- 6	30 50
Illinois Central	178	W. B. Vaughan	95	9 50	6	15 50
Wabash Moweaqua	179 180	E. T. Allen	180	18 00	6	24 00
Germania	182	Geo. W. Torpe	186	18 60	6	24 60 6 20
Meridian	183	Clyde Aitken	72	7 20	6	13 20
Abingdon	185	Wm. Brinton	173	17 30	6	23 30
Mystic Tie	187	W. T. Clopper	110	11 00	6	17 00
Cyrus	188	Elmer P. Kinney	128	12 80	- 6	18 80
Fulton City	189	S. J. McCullogh	136	13 60	0	19 60
Dundee	190 192	Fred L. Stembery	48	4 80	0	10 80
Farmington	193	C. M. Rantsen C. B. Engiehard	169 224	16 90	6	22 90 28 4 i
Freedom	194	Chas. R. Lucas	75	22 40 7 50	6	13 50
La Harpe	195	Isaac W. Cassell	234	23 40	6	29 40
Louisville	196	S. B. Moore	228	22 80	0	28 80
King Solomon's	197	Finis A. Downey	257	25.70	6	31 70
Homer	199	J. B. Salladay	143	14 30	6	20/30
Sheba	200 201	J. C. Sexton	266	26 60	0	32 60
Centralia Lavely		Walter C. Voss	252 173	25 20 17 30	6	31 20
Flora	204	H. E. Courey	236	23 60	6	23 30 29 60
Corinthian	205	Chas. F. Preston		7 60	6	13 60
Fairfield	206	M. L. Calkin	76 257	25 70	6	31 70
Tamaroa	207	James Norton	280	28 00	6	34 00
Wilmington	208	Andrew Robson	53	5 30	0	11 30
Wm. B. Warren	209	Henry L. Kock	1	10	6	6 10
Logan	210 211	Frank E. Gray	156	15 60	6	21 60
Cleveland Shipman	212	Walter H. Fisher Walter G. Frank	238	22 80	6	5 10 29 80
Ipava	213	B. S. Diehl	203	23 80 20 30	6	26 30
Gillespie	214	Geo. W. Solomon	240	24 00	6	30 00
Newton	216	E. Parkhurst	214	21 40	6	27 40
Mason	217	Grover Norris	211	21 10	6	27 10
New Salem	218	Samuel L. Griggs	251	25 10	6	31 10
Oakland	219	H. J. Rutherford	100	16 60	6	22 60
Mahomet	220 221	J. J. Hayword	141	14 10	6	20 00
Leroy Geo. Washington	221	B. F. Baker	135	13 50 13 40	6	19 50 19 40
Pana	226	Harry Stanton	202	20 20	6	26 20
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Columbus	227	J. Y. Lawless	250	25 00	6	31 00

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Manchester	229	O. D. Chapman	232	\$23 20	<u>р.</u> 86	\$29 20
New Haven	230	I. A. Foster	297	29 70	φυ -	35 70
Wyanet	231	Andrew Lorensen	111	11 10	6	17 10
Farmers	232	Joseph K. West	373	37 30	6	43 30
Blandinsville	233	J. E. Thiston	228 288	22 80	6	28 20
DuQuoin Dallas City	234 235	H. B. Jones S. W. Crothers	222	28 80 22 20	6	34 80 28 20
Charter Oak	236	Harry C. Gorin	231	23 10	6	29 10
Cairo	237	C. S. Bourgue	365	36 50	6	42 50
Black Hawk	238	Ed. F. Jolidin	243	24 30	6	30 30
Mt. Carmel Western Star	239 240	A. P. Kratz	249 128	24 90	6	30 90
Shekinah	241	John Armstrong	308	12 80 30 80	6	18 80 36 80
Galva	243	J. O. Stephenson	139	13 90	6	19 90
Horicon	244	Peter Shevlana	75	7 50	6	13 50
Greenville	245	Wm. J. Laws	248	24 80	6	30 80
El PasoRob Morris	$\frac{246}{247}$	C. F. Curtiss	117 113	11 70	6	17 70
Golden Gate	248	C. H. Kreder	186	11 30 18 60	6	17 30 24 60
Hibbard	249	W. I. Gillham	246	24 60	6	30 60
Robinson	250	F. J. Mills	205	20 50	6	26 50
Heyworth	251	C. J. Robinson	137	13 70	6	19 70
Aledo Avon Harmony	252 253	S. R. Amlong Geo. E. Simmons	176 183	17 60	6	23 60 24 30
Aurora	254	Walter Limtott	37	18 30 3 70	6	9 70
Donnelson	255	W. H. Young	245	24 50	6	30 50
Warsaw	257	Harry E. Wilson	248	24 80	6	30 80
Mattoon	260	G. S. McPherson	172	17 20	6	23 20
Amon Channahon	$\frac{261}{262}$	John Callison	139 55	13 90 5 50	6	19 90 11 50
Illinois	263	Wm. M. Larg H. A. Fulford	150	15 00	6	21 00
Franklin Grove	264	F. M. Banker	88	8 80	6	14 80
Vermilion	265	Clyde Baldwin	142	14 20	6	20 20
Kingston La Prairie	$\frac{266}{267}$	W. M. Huffman	265 236	26 50 23 60	6	32 50 29 60
Paris	268	Thos. Moyer	160	16 00	6	22 00
Wheaton	269	Geo. Atkinson	25	2 50	6	8 50
Levi Lusk	270	Thos Ward	92	9 20	6	15 20
Blaney	271	R. R. Reurs	202	10	4	4 10
Carmi	$\frac{272}{273}$	Dan H. Boyer John H. Grimm	282 165	28 20 16 50	6	34 20 22 50
Byron	274	C. E. Hewitt	83	8 30	6	14 30
Milton	275	Geo. Stephenson	259	25 90	6	31 90
Elizabeth	276	A. A. Miles	337	33 70	6	39 70
Accordia Jo Daviess	277 278	Robt. G. Nieman	138	13 80	6	6 40 19 80
Neoga	279	T. W. Higgins	184	18 40	6	24 40
Kansas	280	R. W. Briscoe	174	17 40	6	23 40
Brooklyn	282		82	8 20		
Meteor	283 285	H. C. Lewis	56 129	5 60	4	9 60
CatlinPlymouth	286 286	Walter T. Boggess R. L. Cloud	222	12 90 22 20	6	18 90 28 20
De Soto	287	Walter S. Gilmore	302	30 20	6	36 20
Genoa	288	O. M. Barcus	59	5 90	6	11 90
Wataga	291	F. O. Rodell	155	15 50	0	21 50
Chenoa,	292 293	W. A. Chapman	102	10 20 12 90	6	16 20 18 90
Prophetstown Pontiac	294	G. W. Murphey W. E. Slyder	129 92	12 90 9 20	6	18 90 15 20
Dills	295	Jas. Karl Gordon	256	25 60	- 6	31 60
Quincy	296	O. N. Hafner	263	26 30	6	32 30
Benjamin	297	Harry S. Blood	241	24 10	6	30 10
Wauconda Hinckley	298 301	D. L. Putnam Wm. Von Ohlen	40 57	4 00 5 70	6	10 00 11 70
Durand	302	F. J. Lins	104	10 40	6	16 40
Raven	303	John G. Cherry, Jr	44	4 40	6	10 40

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Onarga	305	G. F. Clarke	85	\$ 8 50	\$6	\$14 50
W. C. Hobbs	306	Silas Jones	131	13 10	6	19 10
T. J. Pickett	307	John Lieb	192	19 20	6	25 20
Ashlar	308 309	E. C. Mullen	2	10 6 20	6	6 10 12 20
Harvard Dearborn	310	Judson E. Hancock John Higginson	62 3	6 20 30	6	6 30
Kilwinning	311	B. E. Semple	í	10	6	6 10
Ionic	312	B. E. Semple	173	17 30	6	23 30
York	313	L. A. Shawler	195	19 50	6	25 50
Palatine	314 316	TV D Nivo	26 99	2 60 9 90	6	15 90
Abraham Jonas J. L. Anderson	318	W. R. Nye	226	22 60	6	28 60
Doric	319	J. M. Heldele.	175	17 50	6	23 50
Creston	330	W. H. Dickinson	70	7 00	6	13 00
Dunlap	321	M. R. Nelson	124	12 40	6	18 40
Windsor	322 323	R. W. Turner	184	18 40	6	24 40 12 80
Orient	325	C. C. Hoge	$\frac{68}{306}$	6 80 30 60	6	36 60
Harrisburg Industry	327	O. E. Kinkade	215	21 50	6	27 50
Altona	330	B. T. Hart	147	14 70	6	20.70
Mt. Erie	331	P. T. Riggs	259	25 90	6	31 90
Tuscola	332	J. W. Kagey	150	15 00	6	21 00 24 50
Tyrian	$\frac{333}{334}$	A. G. Trees	$\frac{185}{236}$	18 50	6	29 60
Sumner Schiller	335	H. S. Piper Michael Endres	150	23 60 15 00	6	21 00
New Columbia	336	C. S. Fitch	364	36 40	6	42 40
Oneida	337	I. B. Metcalf	151	15 10	6	21 10
Saline	339	A. L. Grace	328	33 80	6	38 80
Kedron	340	Chas. A. Scholer	193	19 30 27 30	6	25 30 33 30
Full Moon	$\frac{341}{342}$	Bird Crull	273 283	27 30 28 30	6	34 30
Wenona	344	E. S. Gillespie	108	10 80	6	16 80
Milledgeville	345	W. L. Hacker	122	12 20	6	18 20
N. D. Morse	346	Lee Rexroat	229	22 90	6	28 90
Sidney	$\frac{347}{348}$	J. H. Smith	137	13 70 21 30	6	19 70 27 30
Flat Rock Sublette	349	G. H. Adams G. N. Paigl	213 93	9 30	6	15 30
Fairview	350	B. L. Ten Eyck	193	19 30	0	25 30
Tarbolton	351	J. H. McFadden	98	9 80	6	15 80
Groveland	352	Thos. W. Rudd	146	14 60	6	20 60
Kinderhook	353 354	E. L. Fautz	270 201	27 00 20 10	6	33 00
Ark and Anchor	355	F. O. Lorton Chas. Loos	256	25 60	6	26 10 31 60
Hermitage	356	N. E. Smith	262	26 20	6	32 20
Orion	358	Ernest Modeen	62	6 20	6	12 20
Blackberry	359	C. D. Colhoun	44	4 40	6	10 40
Princeville	$\frac{360}{361}$	A. H. Sloan	$\frac{149}{302}$	14 90 30 20	6	20 90
Douglas	362	A. C. Hagistlsaac Stark	239	23 90	6	36 20 29 90
Horeb	363	H. L. Kelly	163	16 30	6	22 30
Tonica	364	B. F. Hiltabrand	108	10 80	6	16 80
Bement	365	Thos. Lamb	153	15 30	6	21 30
Arcola	366	O. H. Woodworth	158	15 80 16 00	6	21 80
Oxford	$\frac{367}{368}$	I. E. Veeder E. L. Miller	160 290	29 00	6	$\frac{22}{35} \frac{0}{00}$
Jefferson Newman	369	B. W. VanDine	166	16 60	6	22 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	W. M. Hush	67	6 70	6	12 70
Aroma	$\frac{378}{379}$	W. H. Lawe	$\frac{61}{278}$	$\frac{6}{27} \frac{10}{80}$	6	12 10 33 80
Payson Liberty	380	Clarence Pond	283	28 30	6	34 30
Gill	382	Jas. Lazenby	223	22 30	6	28 30
LaMoille	383	F. V. Koepke	92	9 20	6	15 20
Waltham	384	W. W. Ford	94	9 40	6 1	15 40

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			Miles.	Mileage	Per	Total.
Mississippi	385	W. S. Wallace	138	\$ 13 80	\$6	19 80
Bridgeport	386	R. E. Laughlin	229	22 90	6	28 90
El Dara Kankakee	$\frac{388}{389}$	Roy F. Strubinger Oakley Root	260 56	26 00 5 60	6	32 00 11 60
Ashmore	390	W. M. McI.ain	178	17 80	6	23 80
Tolono	391	John F. Cailey	137	13 70	6	19 70
Oconee	392 393	C. P. Diefeuthaler	209	20 90	4	26 90
BlairJerseyville	394	Curtis Vinson	260	10 26 00	6	6 10 32 00
Muddy Point	396	Henry McPherson	183	18 30	6	24 30
Shiloh	397	Archie Spittler	80	8 00	6	14 00
Kinmundy	398	W. M. Allen	229	22 90	6	28 90
Buda Odell	399 401	Jas. Suggitt	117 82	11 70 8 20	6	17 70 14 20
Kishwaukee	402	H. G. kurgess.	62	6 20	6	12 20
Mason City	403	L. W. Cross	172	17 20	4	23 20
Batavia	404	A. B. Prindle	38 219	$\begin{array}{c} 3 80 \\ 21 90 \end{array}$	6	9 80 27 90
Ramsey Bethalto	405 406	H. L. Haynes Wm. S. Elliott.	261	26 10	6 6	27 90 32 10
Stratton	408	R. E.Givens	166	16 60	6	22 60
Thos. J. Turner	409	F. W. Goebel	1	10	6	6 10
Mithra Hesperia	$\frac{410}{411}$	Chas. Humbert	$\frac{2}{1}$	20	6	6 20
Bollen	412	Wm. C. Schwaegerman J. C. Meyer	137	$\frac{10}{1370}$	6	6 10 19 70
Evening Star	414	Edw. Degunther	109	10 90	6	16 90
Lawn Ridge	415	J. B. Brush	163	16 30	6	$22 \ 30$
Paxton Marseilles	416	J. R. Innis	103	10 30 7 70	6	16 30
Freeburg	$\frac{417}{418}$	C. E. Jordan L. G. Joseph	$\frac{77}{303}$	7 70 30 30	6 6	13 70 36 30
Reynoldsburg	419	Albert Williams	334	33 40	6	39 40
Oregon	420	F. G. Taylor	99	9 90	6	15 90
Washburn Landmark	421 422	C. H. Duffy G. D. Anderson	127	12 70 40	6	$\begin{array}{c} 18 & 70 \\ 6 & 40 \end{array}$
Lanark	423	C. E. Olmstead	120	12 00	6	18 00
Exeter	424	J. B. Carter	232	23 20	6	29 20
Scottville Red Bud	426 427	W. L. Bull	223 318	22 30 31 80	6 6	28 30 37 80
Sunbeam	428	Geo. G. Guker	52	5 20	6	11 20
Chebanse	429	S. R. Walker	64	6 40	6	12 40
Kendrick	430	Lee F. Norton	248	24 80	6	30 80
Summit	$\frac{431}{432}$	G. B. Muirheid	177 227	17 70 22 70	6	23 70 28 70
Annawan	433	J. M. Maravville	152	15 20	6	21 20
Makanda	434	A. L. Bradley	316	31 60	-6	37 60
Philo	$\frac{436}{437}$	E. W. Sallows	152 1	15 20 10	6	21 20 6 10
Camargo	440	A. J. Quick	156	15 60	6	6 10 21 60
Sparland	441	N. W. Macon	130	13 00	6	19 00
Casey	442	H. C. Leggett	186	18 60	6	24 60
Hampshire	443	A. L. Koch	51 333	5 10 33 30	6	11 10 39 30
Chesterfield	445	W. J. Finch	233	23 30	6	29 30
Watseka	446	Geo. A. Lace	77	7 70	6	13 70
S. D. Monroe	447	E. H. Mills	217	21 70	6	27 70 22 40
Yates City Mendon	448	Fred B. Taylor	164 263	16 40 26 30	6 6	22 40 32 30
Loami	450	Peter Tabor	199	19 90	6	25 90
Bromwell	451	F. W. Baxmeyer	193	19 30	6	25 30
New Hartford	453 454	M Mays	262 157	26 20	6	32 20 21 70
Maroa	455	Francis Redman	233	15 70 23 30	6	21 70 29 30
Nokomis	456	Geo. H. Webster	224	22 40	6	28 40
Blazing Star	458	Frank Shanness	312	31 20	6	37 20
Jeffersonville	$\frac{460}{461}$	W. E. Morgan	251 234	25 10 23 40	6	31 10 29 40
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Tremont	462	C. S. Stegner	153	\$15 30	\$6	\$21 30
Palmyra	463	Fred L. Chiles	221	22 10	6	28 10
Denver Huntsville	$\frac{464}{465}$	H. F. Harter	$\frac{247}{234}$	24 70 23 40	6	30 70 29 40
Cobden	466	T. Walker	323	32 30	6	38 30
South Macon	467	C. A. Miller	180	18 00	6	24 00
Cheney's Grove	468	A. S. Chapman	118	11 80	6	17 80
McLean	$\frac{469}{470}$	S. B. VanNess B. A. Berry	141	14 10	6	20 10
Rantoul Kendall	471	Fred G. Wedeman	114 49	11 40 4 90	6	17 40 10 90
Amity	472	Paul N. Brown	30	3 00	6	9 00
Gordon	473	C. R. Smith	258	25 80	6	31 80
Columbia	474 475	F. W. Weinel.	295	29 50	6	35 50
Manito	476	Robt. L. Mohr	164	16 40	6	22 40
Rutland	477	C. L. Faught	113	11 30	4	17 30
Pleiades	$\frac{478}{479}$	Wm. R. Sandham	196	19.50	0	10.40
Wyoming Momence	481	O. A. Burdick	137 52	13 70 5 20	6	19 70 11 20
Lexington	482	W. F. Withers	110	11 00	6	17 00
Edgewood	484	J. R. Danks	214	21 40	6	27 40
Xenia	485	Ralph W. Jessup	244	24 40	6	30 40
Bowen	$\frac{486}{487}$	E. H. Fleming	244 326	24 40 32 60	6	30 40 38 60
Clay City	488	T. A. Doherty	248	24 80	6	30 80
Cooper	489	G. W. Ramsdell	212	21 20	6	27 20
Shannon	490	Geo. C. Byers	121	12 10	6	18 10
Martin Libertyville	$\frac{491}{492}$	R. L. Heller Paul M. Morris	181 36	18 10 3 60	6 6	24 10 9 60
Tower Hill	493	Jas. L. Cannon	204	20 40	6	26 40
Stone Fort	495	Geo. Russell	318	31 80	6	37 80
Colchester	$\frac{496}{497}$	Geo. R. Hall F. A. Wnorawski	210 305	21 00 30 50	6	27 00
Alma	498	J. R. Hathaway	อบอ 316	30 50	6	36 50 37 60
St.Pauls	500	Albert E. Canverse	185	18 50	6	24 50
Stark	501	J. H. Reed	145	14 50	6	20 50
Woodhull	$\frac{502}{503}$	N. A. Gustafsan S. D. Phillips	153 244	15 30 24 40	6	21 30 30 40
East St. Louis	504	C. L. Davis	281	28 10	6	34 10
Meridian Sun	505	John A. Sechler	78	7 80	6	13 80
O. H. Miner	506	John Fry	76	7 60	6	13 60
Home Parkersburg	508 509	Jas. H. McCowan S. H. Barker	242	30 24 20	6	6 30 30 20
J. D. Moody	510	Henry A. Hunderer	258	25 80	6	31 80
Wade-Barney	512	Henry A. Hunderer A. W. DuDubois	126	12 60	6	18 60
Bradford	514	S. H. Phenix	128	12 80	6	18 80
AndalusiaLitchfield	516 517	H W. Titterington D'Esper Paullis	$\frac{178}{231}$	17 80 23 10	6	23 80 29 10
Abraham Lincoln	518	Robert Hull	185	18 50	6	24 50
Roseville	519	Chas. P. Ray	191	19 10	6	25 10
Anna	$\frac{520}{521}$	Rad Burnett J. P. Kent	329 186	32 90 18 60	6	38 90 24 60
Illiopolis	522	Fred H. Hartall	37	3 70	6	9 70
Chatham	523	F. T. Charn	194	19 40	6	25 - 40
Evans	524	W. L. Mayer	12	1 20	6	7 20
Covenant	$\frac{526}{527}$	Wm. H. Thompson	105	10 10 50	6	6 10 16 50
Minooka	528	Roy A. Hare	51	5 10	6	11 10
Adams	529	M. W. Bowker	283	28 30	6	34 30
Maquon	530	Adam Alva Kinser	172	17 20	6	23 20
Ashton Seneca	531 533	John Drummond F. N. Whitaker N. L. Brown	84 72	8 40 7 20	6	14 40 13 20
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AltamontCuba	533 534 .	Guy King	$\frac{211}{191}$	21 10 19 10	6	27 10 25 10

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Sherman	535	G. H. Wayne	164	\$16 40	\$6	\$22 40
Plainfield	536		48	4 80		
J. R. Gorin	537 538	E. E. Cross	142 33	14 20 3 30	6	20 20 9 30
Lockport Chatsworth	539	M. E. Keig	97	9 70	6	15 70
Oak Park	540	C. E. Rumbald	9	90	6	6 90
Stewardson	$\frac{541}{542}$	R. E. Varis R. C. Vanneman	195	19 50 11 80	6	25 50
Towanda	543	Chas. Sallows	118 153	11 80 15 30	6	17 80 21 30
Virginia	544	J. C. Chittick	210	21 00	6	27 00
Valley	547	A. L. Blaser	176	17 60	6	23 60
Sharon Long Point	550 552	Burton A. Blake B. F. Colehower	123 103	12 30 10 30	6	18 30 16 30
Plum River	554	S. A. Townsend	126	12 60	6	18 60
Humboldt	555	Edw. E Mull	84	8 40	6	14 40
Dawson	556 557	H. S. Wiley	196	19 60 20	6 6	25 60 6 20
Lessing Leland	558	Adolph Steidle	66	6 60	6	12 60
Thomson	559	A. P. Atherton	143	14 30	6	20 30
Madison	560	Henry E. Dick	258	25 80	6	31 80
Trinity	562 564	E. P. Easterday W. G. Tyler	359 133	35 90 13 30	6	41 90 19 30
Pleasant Hill	565	Frank S. Berry	266	26 60	6	32 60
Albany	566	E. A. Fassett	144	14 40	6	20 40
Frankfort Time	567 569	Riley M. Burke Loren L. Cunningham	314 260	31 40 26 00	6	37 40 32 00
Jacksonville	570	Warren Case	215	21 50	6	27 50
Bardolph	572	C. W. Duncan	197	19 70	6	25 70
Gardner	573	Wm. R. Ferguson	65	6 50	6	12 60
Pera	574 575	R. W. Call W. R. Marriett	108	10 80 7 00	6 4	16 80 11 00
O'Fallon	576	Wm. H. Reidelberger	291	29 10	6	35 10
Viola	577	W. T. Bailey	167	16 70	6	22 70
Praire City Hazel Dell	578 580	John Hillyer Geo. W. Sullivan	209 198	20 90 19 80	6	26 90 25 80
Dongola		J. H. Eddleman	338	33 80	6	39 80
Shirley	582	O. V. Douglass	132	13 20	6	19 20
Highland	583	C. H. Stacker	267	26 70 16 30	6	32 70
Vesper Fisher	584 585	F. E. Lundeen	163 194	19 40	6	22 30 25 40
Princeton	587	T. P. Fleming	104	10 40	6	16 40
Troy	588	James Rawson	278	27 80	6	33 80
FairmountGilman	590 591	J. A. Cox C. H. Condit	137 81	13 70 8 10	6	19 70 14 10
Fieldon	592	C. H. Condit				14 10
Miles Hart	595	J. N. Armantrant	198	19 80	6	25 80
Cerro Gordo Farina	600 601	P. H. Dobson C. E. Wenck	163 223	16 30 1 22 30	6	22 30 28 30
Watson	602	R. H. Oliver	206	20 60	6	26 60
Clark	603	Geo. Lindsay E. A. Mead	186	18 60	6	24 60
Hebron	604	E. A. Mead	74	7 40	6	13 40
Streator	$\frac{607}{608}$	L. F. Somers	91	9 10	6	15 10
Sheldon	609	Wm. R. Ward.	85	8 50	6	14 50
Union Park	610					
Lincoln Park Rock River	611	John J. Krause	110	11 00	6	6 20 17 00
Patoka	612 613	W. W. Murfin	247	24 70	6	30 70
Forest	614	R. W. E. Mitchell W. W. Murfin Ray E. Meloin	93	9 30	6	15 30
Wadley	616	L. J. Massie	227	22 70	6	28 70
Good Hope Basco	617 618	J. L. Hardin Chester L. Steffey	218 244	21 80 24 40	6	27 80 30 40
New Hope	620	Jno H. Davison	197	19 70	6	25 70
Hopedale	622	H. F. Flenniken	149	14 90	6	20 90
Locust	623	Wm.Crawford	210	21 00	6	27 00

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Union Tuscan	627 630	A. E. Brooks E. O. Hale	339	\$33 90 30 5 0	\$6	\$39 90
Norton	631	E. K. Bute	305 80	8 00	6	36 50 14 00
Ridge Farm	632	W. R. Harnada	140	14 00	6	20 00
E. F. W. Ellis	633	James Skinner	87	8 70	6	14 70
Buckley Rochester	634 635	Jas. H. Walker	93	9 30 19 30	6	15 30
Peotone	636	J. C. Hoenk	193 40	4 00	6	25 30 8 00
Keystone	639	C. H. Thorp	2	20	6	6 20
Comet	641					
Apollo	642 643	Sidney Oppenheim	3	30	6	6 30
D. C. Cregier Oblong City	644	O. C. Caldwell	215	21 50	6	$\begin{array}{c} 6 & 20 \\ 27 & 50 \end{array}$
San Jose	645	Will Hullinger	163	16 30	4	22 30
Somonauk	646	D. H. Knight	59	5 90	6	11 90
Blueville	647	C. L. Campbell	202	20 20	6	26 20
Camden Atwood	648 651	E. L. Daly J. P. Kent	240	24 00	6	30 00
Greenview	653	Guy L. Swiney	160 180	16 00 18 00	6	22 00 24 00
Yorktown	655	W. L. Brown	121	12 10	6	18 10
Mozart	656	Jacob Winter	126	12 60	6	18 60
Lafayette	657	C. L. Gardiner	333	33 30	6	39 30
Rock Island	658 659	E. A. Barnett	$\frac{175}{263}$	17 50 26 30	6	23 50 32 30
Grand Chain	660	J. M. Merchant	353	35 30	6	41 30
South Park	662	J. S. Sheafe	6	60	6	6 60
Mayo	664	Jas. A. McCorkle	223	22 30	6	28 30
Greenland	665 666	Geo. C. Tipsword	214	21 40 21 40	6	27 40
Crawford Erie	667	Jas. T. Athey.	214 133	13 30	6	27 40 19 90
Burnt Prairie	668	Geo. E. Jessup	272	27 20	6	33 20
Herder	669	Frank J. Brock	3	30	6	6 30
Fillmore	$670 \\ 672$	Orville B. Lain	234	23 40	6	29 40
Eddyville	673	J. T. Davidson H. G. McCormick	333 124	33 30 12 40	6 6	39 30 18 40
Waldeck	674	Fred C. Hess	4	40	6	6 40
Pawnee	675	S. P. Davenport	203	20 30	6	26 30
A. O. Fay	676	E. L. Parshall	23	2 30	- 5	8 30
Enfield	677 679	Geo. M. Wilson Joseph Ryan	277 189	27 70 18 90	6	33 70 24 90
Clement	680	Frank Price Green	171	17 10	6	23 10
Morrisonville	681	Jno. B. Lowder	211	21 10	6	27 10
Blue Mound	682 683	J. D. Batrell	187	18 70	6	24 70
Burnside	684	R. R. Loomis	225 307	22 50 30 70	6	$\frac{28}{36} \frac{50}{70}$
Rio	685	J. G. Mansfield	163	16 30	6	22 30
Garfield	686	Frank S. Milligan	5	50	6	6 50
Orangeville	687	J. H. Garnes	126	12 60	6	18 60
Clifton Englewood	688 690	Frank W. Meents	69 8	6 90 30	6	12 90
Iola	691	Claude R. Grover Eli F. Patrick	221	22 10	6 6	$\frac{6}{28} \frac{80}{10}$
Raymond	692	W. C. Rebham	220	22 00	6	28 00
Herrin's Prairie	693	E. B. Dangerfield	321	32 10	6	38 10
Shiloh Hill	695 696	H. Mohlenbrack	311	31 10	6	37 10
Belle Rive	697	I. D. Hampton	293 4	29 30 40	6 6	35 30 6 40
Hutton	698	C. W. McMarris	193	19 30	6	25 30
Pleasant Plains	700					
Temple Hill	701	C. A. Field	367	36 70	6	42 70
Alexandria Braidwood	702 704	J. L. Beal	172	17 20 5 70	6	23 20
Ewing	704	A. H. Nelson	57 298	29 80	6	11 70 35 80
Joppa	706	Dudley Cozart	208	20 80	6	26 80
Star	709	W. J. Swanson	99	9 90	6	15 90
Farmer City	710	I. H. Houseman	130	13 00	6	19 00

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Providence	711	Paul A. Pabst	10	\$1 00	\$ 6	\$ 7 00
Collinsville	712	A. C. Gauen	286	28 60	6	34 60
Johnsonville	713	Ark Tenney	252	25 20	6	31 20
Newton	714	R. L. Davis	119	11 90	6	17 90
Elvaston	715	C. B. Garard	237	23 70	6	29 70
CalumetArcana	716	W. H. Harnew	16	1 60	6	7 60
May	717 718	Roy E. Stiles	$\frac{1}{285}$	28 50	6	6 10 34 50
Chapel Hill	719	L. L. Gallemore	333	32 30	6	38 30
Rome	721	R. E. Hale	271	27 10	6	33 10
Walnut	722	H. G. Keigwin	110	11 00	6	17 00
Omaha	723	E. M. Kelly	292	29 20	6	35 20
Chandlerville	724	J. W. Lynn	207	20 70	6	26 70
Rankin	725	Clinton Rice	111	11 10	6	17 10
G olden Rule R aritan	726 727	J. E. Johnson	201	10 20 10	6	6 10 26 10
Waterman	728		-201	20 10	0	20 10
Lake Creek	729	E. W. Stilley	310	31 00	6	37 00
Eldorado	730	F. A. Grable	297	29 70	6	35 70
Harbor	731	Wm. S. Fritts	12	1 20	6	7 20
Carman	732	C. B. Vaughn	212	21 20	6	27 20
Gibson	733	Herman C. Krudup	110	11 00	6	17 00
Morning Star	734	W. J. Snider	181	18 10	6	24 10
Sheridan Arrowsmith	735	P. J. Malaise	64 125	6 40 12 50	6	12 40 18 50
Saunemin	737 738	C. E. McElroy	83	8 30	6	14 30
Lakeside	739	John Pollock, Jr.,	3	30	6	6 30
New Holland	741	A. T. Peters	168	16 80	6	22 80
Danvers	742	J. A. Utley	136	13 60	6	19 60
Scott Land	743	Seigel Arnold	151	15 10	6	21 10
Goode	744	Wm. H. Thomas	315	31 50	6	37 50
Winnebago Weldon	745 746	H. J. Waterstreet	94 150	9 40 15 00	6	15 40 21 00
Centennial	747	C. F. Van Vleck	143	14 20	6	20 20
Alta	748	H. I, Case	155	15 50	6	21 50
Akin	749	J. J. Bundy	316	31 60	6	37 60
Lyndon	750	Walter Austin	123	12 30	6	18 30
Lounsbury	751	E. E. Myers	33	3 20	6	9 20
Allendale	752	A. L. Robinson	241 144	24 10 14 40	6	30 10 20 40
Ogden Pre-emption	754 755	J. F. Alsip P. C. Freytag	185	18 50	6	24 50
Hardinsville	756	J. M. McArthur	218	21 80	6	27 80
Verona	757	G. L. Beal	75	7 50	6	13 50
Mystic Star	758	B. A. Whitcomb	- 8	80	6	6 80
Orel	759	J. M. Forth	270	27 60	6	33 00
Sibley	761	E. T. Johnson	105	10 50	6	16 50
Van Meter	$\frac{762}{763}$	John C. Harris C. B. Eskilon	199	19 90 3 00	6	25 90 9 00
Sullivan	764	Geo. W. Miller	176	17 60	6	23 60
Palace	765	C. R. Egan	12	1 20	6	7 20
Littleton	766	L. L. Horney	236	23 60	6	29 60
Triluminar	767	W. W. M. Bending	12	1 20	6	7 20
Mizpah	768	T 377	:::			
St. Elmo	769	I. W. Arnold	217	21 70 1 50	6	27 70
LaGrangeBay City	770 771	C. M. Bard	15 384	38 40	6	7 50 44 40
New Burnside	772	J. M. Howerton	323	32 30	6	38 30
Mansfield	773	L. J. Cope	131	13 10	6	19 10
Lake View	774	John J. Lassahn	5	50	6	6 50
Grand Crossing	776	O. G. Talmadge J. H. Thorne	10	1 00	ť.	7 00
Ravenswood	777	J. H. Thorne	6	60	6	6 60
Gurney	778 779	Jas. Baity	355	35 50	6	41 50
Wright's Grove	780	Fred E. Eley	4	40	6	6 40
Potomac	782	J. C. Moss	121	12 10	6	18 10

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Constantia	783	Rob. Breskorn	1	\$ 10	\$6	\$ 6 10
Beacon Light	784	E. W. Chesterman	11	1 10	-6	7 10
Riverton Union	786	J. C. Farley	191	19 10	6	25 10
Morris	787	J. F. W. Binder	304	30 40	6	36 40
Lerna	788	W. H. Williams	178	17 80	6	23 80
Auburn Park	789	Jos. A. Briegel	8	80	- 6	6 80
Pittsfield	790	Otis D. Loveil	254	25 40	6	31 40
Broadlands	791	A. S. Maxwell	155	15 50	6	21 50
Calhoun	792	E. H. Aderton	272	27 20	6	33 26
A. T. Darrah	793	C. M. Brott	165	16 50	6	22 50
Tadmor	794	Jas. H. Shipp	355	32 90	6	38 90
Myrtle	795	Benson Landon	237	70 23 70	6	4 70 29 70
E. M. Husted Normal Park	796 797		201	70	6	6 70
Sidell	797	S. C. Gaunt J. A. Seybold	146	14 60	6	20 60
Colfax	799	John J. Ove	119	11 90	6	17 90
Kenwood	800	John J. Ove	4	40	l	11 50
Sangamon	801	Chris Miller	124	12 40	4	16 40
Williamson	802	J. E. Harness	317	31 70	6	37 70
Neponset	803		123	12 30		
Kensington	804	Chas. Bakkers	13	1 30	6	7 30
S. M. Dalzell	805	M. J. Rhoads	104	10 40	6	16 40
Nebo	806	S. W. Smith	261	26 10	6	32 10
Royal	807	C. D. Kern	300	30 00	- 6	36 00
Cornland	808	E. A. Haynes	173	17 20	6	23 20
Gillham	809	W. A. Davis	252	25 20	6	31 20
Tracy	810	V. H. Tousley	13	1 30	6	7 30
Melvin	811		100	10 00		
De Land	812	Geo. O'Brien	150	15 00	6	21 00
Humboldt Park	813	A. E. Bennett	5 103	50	6	6 50
Ohio Lawn	814	D. W. Allen	103	10 30 80	6	16 30 6 80
Ridgway	815 816	L. C. Tousdale	296	29 90	6	35 90
Creal Springs	817	R. Heasley	326	32 60	6	38 60
Ben Hur.	818	C. C. Reeves	7	70	6	6 70
Columbian	819	0. 0. 100 000				
Henderson	820	C. T. McLean	157	15 70	6	21 70
New Canton	821	S. A. Dutcher	282	28 20	6	34 20
Belknap	822	W. T. Laughlin	346	34 60	6	40 60
Pearl	823	W. L. Krell	115	11 50	6	17 50
Grove	824	J. W. Graves	21	2 10	6	8 10
Arthur	825	Jas. J. Lawrence	162	16 20	6	22 20
Mazon	826	G. W. Smith	71	7 10	6	13 10
Sequoit	827	E. E. Brook	55	5 50	6	11 50
Edgar Rockport	829	G. B. Boswell	154	15 40	6	21 40
Rockport	830 831	B. B. Horton C. W. Francisco	300 205	30 00 20 50	6	36 00 26 50
Findlay	832	Jos. White	23	2 30	6	8 30
Magic City Dean	833	W. R. Smith	321	32 10	6	38 10
Toledo	834	C. S. Young	187	18 70	6	24 70
Triple	835	James Kerr	278	27 80	6	33 80
Windsor Park	836	E. A. Bertram	7.7	70	6	6 70
Hindsboro	837	C. W. Mitchell	168	16 80	6	22 80
Charity	838	Harold Criswell	197	19 70	6	25 70
Berwyn	839	A. R. Wolfe	10	1 00	6	7 00
Alto Pass	840	L.G. Keith	333	33 20	6	39 20
Woodlawn Park	841	F. W. Krengel W. H. Weber	- 8	80	6	6 80
Fides	842	W.H. Weber	17	1 70	6	7 70
Park Lodge	843	H. C. Roeder	10	1 00	0	7 00
Martinton	845	Thos. W. Mayo	126 232	6 80 23 20	6	12 80
Bluffs	846	J. E. Korty	213	23 20	6	29 20 27 30
Stronghurst London	847	J. C. Flatley E. E. Sampson	183	18 30	6	24 30
Palestine	849	Wm. Schiffer	212	21 20	6	27 20
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LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles	Mileage	Per Diem.	Total
Austin	850	J. E. Nelson	7	\$ 70	\$6	\$6 70
Chicago Heights	851	James Cropper	27	2 70	6	8 70
Gothic	852	Royal A. Nerber	281	28 10	6	34 10
Latham	853	A. B. Potter	185	18 50	6	24 50
Brighton Park	854	Harry Smith	6	60	6	6 60
West Gate	855 856	A. A. Norton	12 271	1 20 27 10	6	7 20 33 10
Boyd D	857	S. Waldron	67	6 70	6	12 70
Utica	858	M. P. Murphy E. A. Lewis	94	9 40	6	15 40
Apple River	859	L. A. Varty	144	14 40	4	18 40
Metropolitan	860	Thos. C. McKay. T. W. Kinzer. W. L. Shepherd, Jr.	5	50	6	6 50
Sorento	861	T. W. Kinzer	248	24 80	6	30 80
Riverside	862	W. L. Shepherd, Jr	12	1 20	6	7 20
St. Andrews	863	Albert Davis	1	10	6	6 10
Olympia St. Cecilia	864 865	A. W. Burt	4	40 10	6	6 40
West Salem	866	John B. Bruce Joseph Graham	248	24 80	6	6 10 30 80
Chadwick	867	H. L. Spealman	130	13 00	6	19 00
Cornell	868	H. C. Sawyer	105	10 50	6	16 50
Maywood	849	Hugh Muir	7	7)	6	6 70
Lostant	870	W. Schoenneshoefer	113	11 30	6	17 30
Argenta	871	H. C. Luckenbill	163	16 30	6	22 30
Free Will	872	Z. S. Saylor	132	13 20	6	19 20
Standard Nifong	873	John Paulding	015	10	6	6 10
Cornerstone	874 875	Hugh H. Drum	215 1	21 50 10	6	27 50 6 10
William McKinley	876	F. E. Lawrence	2	20	6	6 20
Granite City	877	Edmund Hall	275	27 50	6	33 50
Equity	878	T. S. Wheatley	4	40	6	6 40
Composite	879	Geo. S. Herrington	4	40	6	6 40
John B. Sherman	880	J. W. Strock	6	60	6	6 60
Marissa	881	J. H. Luna	318	31 80	6	37 80
Boulevard	852 883	Albert Laub	$\frac{4}{210}$	21 00	6	6 40 27 00
Bethany	884	John C. Mason	193	19 30	6	27 00 25 30
Villa Grove	885	Phllip Herrin	145	14 50	6	20 50
Hooppole	886	Phllip Herrin Carl Lorenzen	152	15 20	6	21 20
Pyramid	887	L. W. Kroh W. S. Stahl	18	1 80	6	7 80
Damascus	888	W.S. Stahl	8	80	6	6 80
America	889 890	F. W. Boettcher	1	10	6	6 10
Des Plaines Logan Square	891	Ning Eley	25	$\begin{array}{c} 2 \ 50 \\ 40 \end{array}$	4	6 50
Constellation	892	A. J. Donovan	4	40	6	6 40
Loraine	893	J. F. Adair	285	28 50	6	34 50
Utopia	894	T. D. Chadwick	4	40	6	6 40
Crescent	895	J. Milton Cohn	8	80	4	4 80
Kosmos	896	Z:: · · : · · : · · · · · · · · · · · ·	6	60		
Ogden Park Silvis	897	Otto A. Lies	9	90	6	6 90
Park Manor	898 899	H. P. Loose	162	16 20	6	22 20
Carnation	900	F. R. Howell	8 4	80 40	6 6	6 80 6 40
Edgewater	901	Chas. G. Roder	9	90	6	6 90
Alto	902	W. A. Foster.	77	7 70	6	13 70
Elkhart	903	J. U. Cassady	169	16 90	6	23 90
Carlock	904	J. U. Cassady	203	20 30	6	26 30
Hanover	905	M. B. White	158	15 80	6	21 80
CoffeenAncient Craft	906 907	H. H. Blackburn	228	22 80	6	28 80
Gil. W. Barnard	907	R. E. Lee Pagals	8	1 00	6	
Bee Hive	909	R. E. Lee Pagais	6	60	6	7 00
Hull	910	G. W. Lawrence	303	30 30	6	36 30
Bellflower	911	J. M. Jordon	126	12 60	6	18 60
Stellar	912	W. J. Dailey	236	23 60	6	29 60
Aaron	913	A. M. Bassford	6	60	6	6 60
Republic	914	Roger T. Farley	6	60	6	6 60

LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATVE.	Miles	Mileage	Per Deim.	Total
Jackson Park Welcome Concord Sesser Elwood Cottonwood Avondale Compass East Gate Banner Blue Molenna Veritas Candida Grant Park Ashland Jos. Robbins Wilmette Sandoval Manlius Hinsdale La Moine Rock Falls North Shore Circle Table Grove Pleasant View Elmhurst Maple Park Bohemia John C. Smith Buffalo Joy. Kenmore R. F. Casey Justice Glen Ellyn Depue	915 916 917 918 919 921 921 922 923 924 925 931 931 931 931 931 931 931 931 941 945 947 948 947 948 947 948 949 949 949 949 949 949 949 949 949	W. W. Badger A. M. Hoopes C. A. McBride Geo. E. Gurney D. A. Bryant H. W. Kustemeyer Chas. F. Fuhrman Arthur W. Dixon F. E. Monville L. D. Leach D. T. Drummond S. L. Weiser A. C. Bothfuhr W. S. Rearick A. J. Ruch A. J. Taylor L. C. Ruby A. L. Martin John C. Puetz Wm. T. Lewis E. O. Phares Clinton E. Cooper D. L. Bodman Nicholas Natson F. M. Thurmon Wm. J. Hilliard R. T. Emberson Chas. J. Novak Geo. K. Reeder Ben F. Edwards Orlando Brown A. H. Reinhardt John C. Ward Edwin H. Oxley L. V. Calhoun D. C. Ward Edwin H. Oxley L. V. Calhoun D. C. Wray	6 6 1 6 284 4 46 6 295 7 7 5 5 5 200 0 15 6 6 6 12 2552 16 6 8 2 2 2552 16 171 1 15 1 15 1 15 1 15 1 15 1 15 1	\$0 60 10 60 28 40 4 60 29 50 10 10 50 10 10 10 5 50 20 00 1 5 50 20 00 1 5 50 20 00 1 5 50 21 20 23 70 23 70 23 70 23 70 24 80 25 20 20 25 20 20 25 20 21 20 2	\$6 666666666666666666666666666666666666	\$ 6 60 34 40 10 60 35 50 6 70 6 50 6 10 6 80 6 33 6 10 11 60 25 00 7 70 29 70 18 50 6 60 27 20 6 60 6 60 6 60 6 60 6 60 6 60 6 60 6
Donovan Stone Arch Progressive. Cicero Washington Park Prospect	952 953 954 955 956 957	John W. Nelson John M. Bradley Wm. H. Paterson Louis Mongreig I. A. Grossman A. C. Miskelly	72 346 9 9 7	7 20 34 60 90 90 70 90	6 6 6 6 6	13 20 40 60 6 90 6 70 6 90

All of which is fraternally submitted.

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A. DOHERTY,
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OFFICERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS.

ELECTED AT ITS FORMATION ON THE 6th OF APRIL, A.D. 1840, AND IN THE FOLLOWING OCTOBER OF THE SAME YEAR, AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER TO THE PRESENT TIME.

Vhen elected	GRAND MASTERS.	D. G. MASTERS.	S. G. WARDENS.	J. G. WARDENS.	GRAND TREASURERS. GRAND SECRETARIES.	GRAND SECRETARIES.
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*Deceased.

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* *	Isaac Cutter Isaac Cutter †Expelled.
Geo. E. Lounsbury Geo. E. Lounsbury Geo. E. Lounsbury Harrison Dills Geo. E. Lounsbury Harrison Dills Geo. William H. Scott Archibald A. Glenn Rew. William H. Scott Archibald A. Glenn Robent G. Cleaveland Wiley M. Egan. Wiley M. Eg	Leroy A. Goddard Leroy A. Goddard
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1888 *Harmon G. Reynolds *DeWitt C. Cregier *James A. Hawley *Geo. E. Lounsbury 1889 *Harmon G. Reynolds DeWitt C. Cregier *James A. Hawley *Geo. E. Lounsbury 1870 *Lounsbury 187	1912 D. D. Darrah 1913 Henry T. Burnap *Deceased.

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GRAND STANDARD BEARER.	L. Griffing** J. P. Swisler* J. P. Swisler* J. P. Swisler* William Lavely* Robert Kelth* H. A. Chase* M. Grant* M. Grant* J. W. Banker* J. W.
W. GRAND MARSHAL.	S. W. Lucas** A. G. Dixon* A. G. Dixon* A. G. Dixon* B. Underwood* John H. Holton* William McMurtry** Peter Surat* H. G. Reynolds** Nathan English* George W. Hotchkiss* I and S. Diller* A. J. Kuykendall* B. A. Whipple* Cyrus C. Palmer* A. J. Kuykendall* B. A. Whipple* I. M. Pearson David B. Irons* John P. Bagby* John P. Buford* James Lowe* James Lowe* John Gleveland* James Lowe* John Gleveland* James Lowe* John W. Bagby* John Gleveland* John W. Burrill* Thos. J. Whitehead John W. Horin* Thos. J. Whitehead John W. Horin* Thos. J. Whitehead John W. H. Lowig Harry Duvall John M. H. Irvin* John M. H. Lrvin* John M. Ladd John A. Ladd Henry C. Gleveland*
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D W. Starr	C. I. Novak		F. J. Eberlein	Geo. A. Stadler	James H. Lewis	1913 J. G. Wright
Caleb V. Stovall	I f. Brewster		T. S. Browning	Geo. A. Stadler	Lawr'ce Y. Sherman	1912 Joseph C. Nate
Norman M. Mes	J I Desmetor	A W WESL	T C Drowning	Geo A Stadler	-	1910 W. W. Weddell
Norman M. Mesnard	James John	A. W. West	N. J. Cary	Geo. A. Stadler	Frank G. Smith	1909 J. Webster Bailey
Jas. W. Willard	W. O. Butler	ch Louis Zinger	Fred'ick W. Froelich	Geo. A. Stadler	Euclid B. Rogers	1908 Abraham Trangott. Euclid B. Rogers
Jas. W. Willard	W.O. Butler	Louis Zinger	Fred'ick W.Froelich	Geo. A. Stadler	Elmer E. Beach	1907 Abraham Traugott
J. R. Ennis	W. O.Butler	Louis Zinger	James McCredie	Geo. A. Stadler	Rufus O. White	1906 H. W. Thomas
J. R. Ennis.	W. H. Peak.	Louis Zinger	James McCredie	Geo. A. Stadler	Owen Scott	1905 W. S. Welsh
J. R. Ennis	W. H. Peak	Louis Zinger	Henry L. Whipple	Geo, A. Stadler	Ξ	1904 J. W. VanCleve,
J. R. Ennis	W. H. Peak.	Louis Zinger	Henry L. Whipple	Geo. A. Stadler	Wm. A. Northcott	1903 Joseph Stolz
Louis Zinger	Herbert Preston	Walter Watson	Henry L. Whipple	Geo. A. Stadler	٦	1902 J. P. Brushingham
Louis Zinger	Herbert Preston*	Walter Watson	Henry L. Whipple	Geo. A. Stadler	2	1901 J. P. Brushingham
Sami Commoerry	W W Watson	Walter Watson	Thos. A. Stevens.	Geo. A. Stadler	<u> </u>	1900 Thos. B. T. Fisher
Philip Maas	Adam Ortseifen	Joseph D. Everett	Walter Watson	Geo. A, Stadler	<u> </u>	1898 Frank Crane
Adam Ortseifen.	Walter Watson	Cicero J. Lindley	Joseph D. Everett	G. H. B. Tolle	W. E. Mason	1897 Abel M. White
R. T. Spencer	Walter Watson	H. C. Clarke	Cicero J. Lindley	G. H. B. Tolle	=	1896 Horace W. Bolton
Cicero J. Lindley	Walter Watson	W. O. Butler	Pleas. T. Chapman	G. H. B. Tolle	4	1895 Jerome R. Gorin*
Cicero J. Lindley.	Walter Watson	William Hartzell*	Pleas. T. Chapman	G. H. B. Tolle	٦	1894 H. W. Thomas
J. S. McClelland*.	Walter Watson	Haswell C. Clarke	Pleas, T. Chapman.	G. H. B. Tolle	7	1893 H. W. Thomas*
J. G. Marston.	John W. Swatek	Haswell C. Clarke*	John H. Mitchell	Loyal L. Munn, Jr	O	1892 Ulysses G. Johnson
J. G. Marston.		R. S. Gordon	B. F. Mason	Loval L. Munn, Jr	>	1891 F. P. Davenport
J. G. Marston.		R. S. Gordon	B. F. Mason.	George L. Munn	2	1890 F. M. Springer
J. G. Marston		R. S. Gordon	B. F. Mason.	George L. Munn	⋖	1889 F. M. Springer* A
E. A. Kratz		W. A. Stevens	B. F. Mason.	Leslie A. Munn.	\cdot	1888 H. W. Thomas
I O Hughes*	Rowley Page	W A Stevens	H. F. Mason	Leslie A. Munn.	>	1887 H. W. Thomas.
L H C Dill	W. H. Curtin.	Rowley Page	Edw. L. Cronkrite.	D. B. Breed	~	1886 H. W. Thomas*
THU C DIII*	W. H. Curtin*		Edw. L. Cronkrite.	Leslie A. Munn.	-	1885 Geo. W. Scawthon
R Mendenhall	Rowley Page*		Engene L. Stoker*	Leslie A. Munn.	-	1884 Geo. W. Scawthon
John W Thrift	John C. Baghy	James C. McMurtry	Thos. S. Mather.	Leslie A. Munn.		1883 John D. Gillham.
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1840	840 M. Helm*	J. Crocker*	Lucian B. Adams*	T. G. Johnson*			C. Ludlum*
1841	842 Samuel Mattlack*	Henry Prather*	A. V. Putman*	A. V. 1 UUIIIAII			Geo, Hackett
1843	843 J. B. Conyers*	John Bennett*	L. C. Kercheval* H. C. Reman*				Geo, Hackett Geo, Hackett
1817	844 I eter Swear	Nathan Dresser*	John C. Heyl*	Samuel H. Davis*			John Gregory*
1846	846 A C. Dickson*	R. F. Kippingburg*	Harriscn Dills*	Henry Kaussel*			D. M. Kittinger*
1847	1847 W. C. Hobbs*	W. B. Mills*	Timothy Souther*	E. J. Harper*			D. M. Kiltinger
1848	1845 W. W. Bennett*	Hosa J.Armstrong*	John F. Rearden*	John T Knor*			A. B. Stont*
9 50	850 P. A. Whittaker	A. R. Stout*	J. W. Kevs*	Phares A. Dorwin *			M. McNamara*
1851	851 R. W. Scanland*	A. W. Blakesley*	D. A. Morris*	Isaac Springer*			
1852	852 William S. Hurst*	R. S. Patterson*	Warren Brown*	McKenzie Turner*			
1853	853 John C. Hey1*	Wm. M. Eubanks*	Warren Brown	Robert Keith*			
1821	854 John M. Scott*	R. W. Scanland*		Stephen Bennett*			A. K. Kobinson
1855	1855 W. W. Jackson*	Henry T. Mudd*	O. N. Stanord*	Ezra J. niggins"			
1020	Capear A Robertes	James Monroe*	O N Stafford	Silas C. Toler.*			
1858	Caesar A. Roberts	William Watson*	ż	Daniel G. Burr			
25.5	859 Wm. V. Plum*	Thomas W. Hay*	ij	P. A. Dorwin*			A. R. Robinson
1860	860 Wm. M. Egan*	Thomas Moore*	Charles Fisher	O. N. Stafford*			
1861	861 J. C. Luckey*	H. W. Hubbard*	O. N. Stafford*	Charles Fisher			
1862	862 H. W. Hubbard*	John Bennett*	Charles Fisher	O. N. Stafford			- 1
1863	863 N. W. Huntley*	Thomas W. Hay*	Charles Fisher	Wm. F. Elkin, Jr*			O. N. Stanord*
1864	864 Thomas W. Hay*	George Mason*	Charles Fisher	wm. F. Elkin, Jr			O. N. Stafford
1865	865 James Lowe*	Rodney Ashley*	J. M. Burnett*	Thomas C Tewell*			John P Ferns*
1867	See Geo E Louishire*	D A Cashman*	įz	R. D. Lawrence*			John P. Ferns
898	868 Wm. G. Swan*	Saml. C. Stearns*	O. N. Stafford	A. R. Robinson*			
1869	Wiley M. Egan*	Saml. C. Stearns	ż	A. R. Robinson			
1870	870 W. J. A. De Lancey	Henry W. Dyer	Ħ	Wm. H. Long			
1871	871 W. J. A. DeLancey	H. E. Hamilton		:	John O'Neil	John McLarey	John P. Ferns
1879	872 H. E. Hamilton	John D. Hamilton	Ą	Joseph Dixon*	M. S. Bowman	G. W. Hartman	
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1874	874 John D. Hamilton	R. T. Higgins.*	J. B. Trull		Ira A. Church*	ISAAC E. HARUY	
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MASONIC LITERATURE.

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The Trestle Board-408 California street, San Francisco, California.

Masonic News-Peoria, Illinois.

Masonic Token-Portland, Maine.

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The American Tyler Keystone-Ann Arbor, Michigan.

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The Tennessee Mason-Nashville, Tennessee.

Masonic Standard-New York, New York.

Masonic Voice and Review-265 La Salle St., Chicago, Illinois.

The Masonic Observer-Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Missouri Freemason-St. Louis, Missouri.

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Masonic Review-Johannesburg.

Oriental Lodge Notes-Chicago.

The American Freemason-Storm Lake, Iowa.

The Masonic Trowel-Little Rock, Arkansas.

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Temple Topics-Masonic Temple, Englewood, Ill.

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D. D. G. M.

BORN DECEMBER 4, 1848 DIED AUGUST 27, 1913

Samuel W. Waddle

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		November 22, 1912
S. D. Anderson	Englewood No. 690	September 4, 1912 November 12, 1912
William Paley Askins	Hope No. 162	November 12, 1912
Adolph Arnold Samuel H. Bradley	Lessing No. 557	August 6, 1912
John W. Bronaugh	Master Mendon 449	March 3, 1913 February 17, 1913
John W. Brown	Muddy Point 396	February 28, 1913
William R. Browning	Benton 64	September 9, 1912
Thomas M. Butler	A. W. Rawson 145	November 28, 1912
Thomas M. Butler James Charles Blair	Lawn 815	No Date of Death
John G. Beatty	Doric No. 319	January 18, 1913
William D. Brewster	Prairie City, 578	No date of death
J. P. Banjan	Benevolent 52	October 15, 1912
Joseph H. Blackman	Rockford 102	No date of death June 23, 1913
Eliakin S. Bartholomew William Bedford	Minooka 598	Sept. 23, 1912
George M Brosnihan	Kenwood 800	August 30, 1912
Charles Catlin	Oriental 33	January 23, 1913 I
Edward Alfred Culver	King Solomon's 197	November 6, 1912
John C. Cushman	A. O. Fay 676	June 4, 1913
Azel E. Church	Atlanta 165	May 19, 1913
John Charney	Fidelity 152	July 4, 1912
Oliver Crissey	Avon Harmony 253	No date of death
R. H. Campbell	Marissa 881	During term omce January, 1913
Charles M. Carpenter Geo. Benjamin Carpenter	Seneca 532	Dec. 11, 1912
Ralph S. Coates	LaFayette 657	
Sam Coffinherry		August 25, 1912
Franz Clettenberg	Lessing 557	July 19, 1912
Edward G. Cronk	Union Park 610	December 22, 1912
James Monroe Dallas	Jeffersonville 460	May 3, 1912
Ernest A. Dudenbostel.	Chester 72	February 21, 1913
John Daub	Mithra 410	July 29, 1912
E. H. Donaldson Clayton Edwin Emory	Fillmore 670	June 28, 1913
John David Elliott	North Shore 937	March 13, 1913
Thomas A. Edmonstop.	Camarga 440	June 19, 1913
Henry Clay Edwards	Park 843	November 1, 1912
George Erwin	Blazing Star 458	December 31, 1912
Robert C. Filson	Friendship 7	December 8, 1912
Charles B. Frayser	Cave in Rock 444	May 4, 1913
John Meek Finley	Lakeside 739	November 19, 1912 December 16, 1912
Robert Francis	Peoria 15 Lavely 203	Nevember 15, 1912
Abraham Fulkersom Estel Enoch Gilbert	Thomas J. Turner 409	February 4, 1913
J. Otto Glaman	D. C. Cregier 643	March 20, 1913
Joseph Gunsaul	Lena 174	October 24, 1912
Jacob Gadelman	Melvin 811	July 5, 1912
Marlow Martin Goodale.	Lincoln Park 611	April 25, 1913
John F. Goodwin	Rob. Morris 247	March 16, 1913
William Allen Grove	Galva 243	January 8, 1513
Franz Gendtner	Accordia 277	Contember 21 1013
David Alfred Holmes	Fnglewood 690	March 20 1012
Harry W. Hitt	Exeter 424	Tune 27 1913
Alfred Haigh		December 3, 1912
Charles Hitchcock	Temple 46	October 26, 1912
Sidney Breeze Ham	Mt. Vernon 31	November 9, 1912

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Died June 20, 1913.

SAM H. DAVIDSON.

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Died September 12, 1912.

JAMES WARREN SORRELL.

Past Grand Master, Arkansas.
Died January 14, 1913.

HERBERT BROWN.

Past Grand Master, Arizona. Died May 12, 1913.

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Died June 17, 1913.

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WILLIAM ALLEN CLELAND. Grand Treasurer, Oregon. Died ————.
AMERICUS V. WARR. Past Grand Master, Tennessee. Died October 2, 1912.
R. M. LUSK. Past Grand Master, Texas. Died February 21, 1913.
CHRISTOPHER DIEHL Grand Secretary, Utah. Died September 17, 1912.
GEORGE WILLIAM CARRINGTON.

Grand Secretary, Virginia. Died February 4, 1913.

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REPORT-CHERRY MINE FUND.

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

Orders have been drawn and sent to the following lodges for the amount each subscribed to the Cherry Mine Fund.

LIST.

No. Lodge	Amt.	No. I	Lodge	Amt.
ı Bodley\$	10.00	69 E	ureka	5.00
2 Equality	10.00	71 C	entral	5.00
3 Harmony	10.00	72 Cl	hester	10.00
4 Springfield	10.00	74 R	ockton	5.00
8 Macon	100.00	76 M	It. Nebo	10.00
13 St. Johns	25.00	77 Pr	rairie	5.00
14 Warren	10.00	78 W	Vaukegan	10.00
15 Peoria	25.00	79 Sc	cott	5.00
16 Temperance	10.00	80 W	Thitehall	25.00
19 Clinton	25.00	88 H	avana	25.00
20 Hancock	10.00	90 Je	erusalem Temple	10.00
23 Cass	10.00	91 M	letropolis	50.00
24 St. Clair	25.00	92 St	tewart	10.00
25 Franklin	10.00	97 E:	xcelsior	25.00
29 Pekin	5.00	102 R	ockford	25.00
31 Mt. Vernon	25.00		Iagnolia	10.25
34 Barry	25.00	105 W	Vinchester	5.00
37 Monmouth	5.00	106 La	ancaster	5.00
38 Olive Branch	25.00	109 T:	renton	10.00
40 Occidental	25.00	111 Jo	onesboro	7.15
42 Mt. Joliet	25.00	113 R	obert Burns	5.00
43 Bloomington	10.00	115 Ri	ising Sun	2.00
44 Hardin	10.00	117 E	lgin	25.00
45 Griggsville	10.00	118 W	Vaverly	10.00
49 Cambridge	5.00	122 M	lound	10.00
50 Carrollton	10.00	123 0	quawka	10.00
51 Mt. Moriah	5.00		mpire	15.00
52 Benevolent	2.00	127 A	ntioch	5.00
53 Jackson	5.00	129 G:	reenfield	10.00
55Washington	5.00	130 M	farion	5.00
57 Trio	25.00		olconda	5.00
59 New Boston	10.00		Iackinaw	5.00
61 Lacon	10.00		ycamore	10.00
63 St. Marks	10.00	135 L	ima	I.00
64 Benton	10.00	136 H	Iutsonville	2.00
66 Pacific	2.00	137 P	'olk	15.00

No. Lodge	Amt.	No. Lodge	Amt.
130 Geneva	5.00	205 Corinthian	10.00
140 Olney	15.00	207 Tamaroa	10.00
141 Garden City	25.00	209 Wm. B. Warren	50.00
144 DeKalb	5.00	210 Logan	25.00
145 A. W. Rawson	10.00	211 Cleveland	50.00
146 Lee Centre	10.00	213 Ipava	10.00
147 Clayton	10.00	214 Gillespie	5.00
148 Bloomfield	5.00	216 Newton	10.00
149 Effingham	10.00	217 Mason	10.00
150 Vienna	10.00	220 Mahomet	10.00
151 Bunker Hill	5.00	221 Leroy	5.00
152 Fidelity	10.00	222 Geo. Washington	5.00
155 Alpha	10.00	226 Pana	10.00
156 Delavan	5.00	227 Columbus	5.00
157 Urbana	25.00	229 Manchester	5.00
159 Kewanee	10.00	230 New Haven	5.00
160 Waubansia	50.00	232 Farmers	1.00
161 Virden	20.00	234 DuQuoin	
162 Hope	10.00	235 Dallas City	
165 Atlanta	5.00	236 Charter Oak	25.00
166 Star in the East	50.00	237 Cairo	25.00
169 Nunda	5.00	239 Mt. Carmel	20.00
170 Evergreen	10.00	240 Western Star	25.00
171 Girard	25.00	245 Greenville	3.00
172 Wayne	15.00	248 Golden Gate	5.00
173 Cherry Valley	2.00	251 Heyworth	. 10.00
174 Lena	10.00	252 Aledo	. 10.00
175 Matteson	25.00	254 Aurora	. 10.00
176 Mendota	15.00	255 Donnelson	. 10.00
177 Staunton	25.00	260 Mattoon	. 10.00
178 Illinois Central	10.00	261 Amon	. 5.00
179 Wabash	5.00	262 Channahon	. 10.00
180 Moweaqua	3.00	263 Illinois	. 25.00
182 Germania	25.00	265 Vermilion	. 10.00
187 Mystic Tie	20.00	266 Kingston	. 10.00
188 Cyrus	10.00	267 La Prairie	. 5.00
189 Fulton City	25.00	271 Blaney	. 25.00
190 Dundee	5.00	272 Carmi	. 20.00
193 Herrick	10.00	273 Miners	. 10.00
194 Freedom	5.00	274 Byron	. 5.00
197 King Solomon's	5.00	275 Milton	. 5.00
201 Centralia	25.00	278 Jo Daviess	
204 Flora	10.00	282 Brooklyn	. 5.00

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No. Lodge	Amt.	- 0	Amt.
283 Meteor	5.00	382 Gill	5.00
286 Plymouth	10.00	383 LaMoille	10.00
292 Chenoa	10.00	384 Waltham	10.00
293 Prophetstown	25.00	385 Mississippi	5.00
294 Pontiac	10.00	389 Kankakee	10.00
296 Quincy	10.00	390 Ashmor	10.00
297 Benjamin	10.00	391 Tolono	5.00
298 Wauconda	22.00	394 Jerseyville	25,00
301 Hinckley	5.00	398 Kinmundy	5.00
302 Durand	5.00	401 Odell	5.00
303 Raven	5.00	403 Mason City	10.00
305 Onarga	10.00	404 Batavia	10.00
306 W. C. Hobbs	5.00	405 Ramsay	5.00
307 T. J. Pickett	10.00	406 Bethalto	5.00
309 Harvard	25.00	408 Stratton	5.00
312 Ionic	50.00	409 Thos. J. Turner	10.00
313 York	. 5.00	410 Mithra	100.00
314 Palatine	5.00	411 Hesperia	25.00
316 Abraham Jonas	5.00	414 Evening Star	2.00
318 J. L. Anderson	5.00	415 Lawn Ridge	9.50
319 Doric	25.00	418 Freeburg	10.00
321 Dunlap	10.00	422 Landmark	25.00
322 Windsor	10.00	423 Lanark	5.00
325 Harrisburg	25.00	426 Scottville	5.00
332 Tuscola	10.00	428 Sunbeam	5.00
334 Sumner	5.00	434 Makanda	5.00
339 Saline	5.00	444 Cave-in-Rock	5.00
342 Summerfield	5.00	445 Chesterfield	10.00
346 N. D. Morse	5.00	451 Bromwell	5.00
347 Sidney	5.00	454 Maroa	25.00
348 Flat Rock	5.00	456 Nokomis	10.00
349 Sublette	5.00	460 Jeffersonville	5.00
350 Fairview	•	466 Cobden	10.00
351 Tarbolton	10.00	467 South Macon	10.00
355 Marine		469 McLean	14.60
356 Hermitage		470 Rantoul	10.00
358 Orion		472 Amity	10.00
361 Douglas		473 Gordon	5.00
364 Tonica	-	474 Columbia	10,00
371 Livingston		477 Rutland	5.00
374 Shabonna		478 Pleiades	50.00
378 Aroma		481 Momence	20.00
379 Payson		484 Edgewood	5.00
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No. Lodge	Amt.	No. Lodge A	mt.
485 Xenia	5.00	574 Pera	5.00
488 Clay City	•	575 Capron	5.00
489 Cooper	2.00	576 O'Fallon	5.00
491 Martin	5.00	7.71 4	25.00
496 Colchester	5.00	580 Hazel Dell	5.00
497 Alma	25.00	581 Dongola	5.00
498 Murphysboro	10.00	0 771 14 4	0.00
500 St. Paul	10.00	588 Troy	5.00
503 Odin	5.00	590 Fairmount	5.00
504 East St. Louis	25.00	591 Gilman 1	0.00
505 Meridian Sun	5.00	600 Cerro Gordo	5.00
508 Home	25.00	602 Watson	5.00
509 Parkersburg	3.00	608 Piper	5.00
510 J. D. Moody	1.00	6 TT 1 TO 1	00.00
512 Wade-Barney	20.00		25.00
514 Bradford	10.00	4 5 4 51	0.00
517 Litchfield	20.00	613 Patoka	2.00
522 Monitor	10.00	614 Forest	5.00
523 Chatham	5.00	617 Milan	5.00
526 Covenant	50.00	618 Basco	2.00
528 Minooka	10.00	620 New Hope	5.00
529 Adams	10.00	622 Hopedale	5.00
530 Maquon	5.00	, m	10.00
532 Seneca	5.00	631 Norton	10.00
534 Cuba	10.00	(D D III DIII	0.00
536 Plainfield	10.00	635 Rochester	5.00
538 Lockport	10.00	641 Comet	5.00
541 Stewardson	5.00	643 D. C. Cregier	50.00
543 Cordova	5.00	644 Oblong City	10.00
544 Virginia	9.00	· 645 San Jose	2.00
547 Valley	10.00	C 704 444	0.00
550 Sharon	10.00	. 648 Camden	17.75
552 Long Point	5.00		10.00
554 Plum River	10.00	657 Lafayette	1.00
555 Humbolt	25.00	658 Rock Island	25.00
557 Lessing	25.00	659 Lambert	10.00
558 Leland	5.00	560 Grand Chain	2.00
560 Madison	5.00		25.00
562 Trinity	10.00	664 Mayo	5.00
564 Winslow	5.00	665 Beecher City	5.00
565 Pleasant Hill	10.00		10.00
570 Jacksonville	10.00	668 Burnt Prairie	5.00
573 Gardner	20.00	669 Herder	25.00

No. Lodge	Amt.	No. Lodge	Amt.
670 Fillmore	5.00	763 Crete	5.00
673 Normal	10.00	765 Palace	20.00
674 Waldeck	25.00	767 Triluminar	54.74
675 Pawnee	10.00	768 Mizpah	20.00
676 A. O. Fay	25.00	770 LaGrange	72,25
· ·	10,00	771 Bay City	3.00
677 Enfield		773 Mansfield	
679 Illinois City	25.00 2.00	774 Lake View	5.00
680 Clement		776 Grand Crossing	25.00
	5.00	777 Ravenswood	5.00
682 Blue Mound	5.00	779 Wrights's Grove	25.00
683 Burnside	5.00		25.00
685 Rio	10.00	780 Siloam	50.00
686 Garfield	50.00	782 Potomac	10.00
687 Orangeville	5.00	783 Constantia	25.00
688 Clifton	10.00	784 Beacon Light	5.00
690 Englewood	25.00	786 Riverton Union	25.00
692 Raymond	10.00	787 Morris	5.00
693 Herrin's Prairie	50.00	788 Lerna	10.00
695 Shiloh Hill	5.00	789 Auburn Park	10.00
696 Bell Rive	5.00	790 Pittsfield	25.00
697 Richard Cole	25.00	791 Broadlands	5.00
700 Pleasant Plains	25.00	792 Calhoun	5.00
701 Temple Hill	5.00	793 A. T. Darrah	2.00
704 Braidwood	10.00	794 Tadmor	1.00
714 Collison	5.00	795 Myrtle	25.00
716 Calumet	10,00	797 Normal Park	25.00
717 Arcana	50.00	799 Colfax	10.00
718 May	10.00	800 Kenwood	100.00
721 Rome	10.00	801 Sangamon	5.00
722 Walnut	25.00	802 Williamson	10.00
724 Chandlerville	10.00	803 Neponset	5.00
725 Rankin	5.00	804 Kensington	25.00
729 Lake Creek	25.00	806 Nebo	1.00
733 Gibson	5.00	807 Royal	5.00
735 Sheridan	10.00	809 Gillham	2.00
743 Scott Land	10.00	810 Tracey	25.00
744 Goode	1.00	811 Melvin	10.00
745 Winnebago	5.00	813 Humboldt Park	50.00
746 Weldon	10.00	814 Ohio	5.00
751 Lounsbury	10.00	815 Lawn	15.00
752 Allendale	2.00	816 Ridgeway	5.00
754 Ogden	5.00	820 Henderson	10.00
758 Mystic Star	25.00	822 Belnap	5.00
759 Orel	2.00	823 Pearl	10.00
761 Sibley	2.00	824 Grove	10.00
762 Van Meter	30.00	826 Mazon	10.00
702 van Meter	30.00	020 macon	10.00

No.	Lodge	Amt.	No. Lodge	Amt.
	Sequoit	10.00	875 Cornerstone	50.00
•	Edgar	10.00	876 William McKinley	10.00
_	Rockport	5.00	877 Granite City	25.00
-	Findlay	5.00	879 Composite	25.00
-	Magic City	20.00	880 John B. Sherman	10.00
833	Dean	5.00	881 Marissa	3.00
-	Toledo	10,00	882 Boulevard	15.00
835	Triple	25.00	884 Bethany	10.00
836	Windsor Park	25.00	885 Villa Grove	5.00
837	Hindsboro	10.00	887 Pyramid	10.00
839	Berwyn	10.00	888 Damascus	10.00
842	Fides	25.00	891 Logan Square	25.00
846	Bluffs	2.00	892 Constellation	25.00
847	Stronghurst	5.00	894 Utopia	10.00
849	Palestine	5.00	897 Ogden Park	10.00
850	Austin	50.00	898 Silvis	10.00
852	Gothic	25.00	900 Carnation	25.00
854	Brighton Park	25.00	901 Edgewater	25.00
855	King Oscar	25.00	902 Alto	5.00
856	West Gate	5.00	904 Carlock	15.00
857	Boyd D	5.00	905 Hanover	5.00
860	Metropolitan	50.00	908 Gil. W. Barnard	20.00
861	Sorento	3.50	909 Bee Hive	25.00
863	St. Andrews	50.00	910 Hull	2.00
864	Olympia	25.00	913 Aaron	10,00
	St. Cecelia	25.00	915 Jackson Park	10.00
866	West Salem	5.00	916 Welcome	25.00
867	Chadwick	5.00	917 Concord	10.00
869	Maywood	10.00	921 Avondale	10.00
871	Argenta	5.00	Madison Lodge No. 5	
872	Free Will	5.00	Madison, Wisconsin	25.00
873	Standard	50.00	Lady Washington Chap-	
874	Nifong	3.00	ter No. 28, O.E.S	25.00

The following lodges returned their orders with the request that they be placed to the credit of the Charity Fund.

Clinton No. 19. A. W. Rawson No. 145. Centralia No. 201. Murphysboro No. 498. Crete No. 763. Broadlands No. 791. A. T. Darrah No. 793. Nebo No. 806. Melvin No. 811. Damascus No. 888. Alto No. 902.

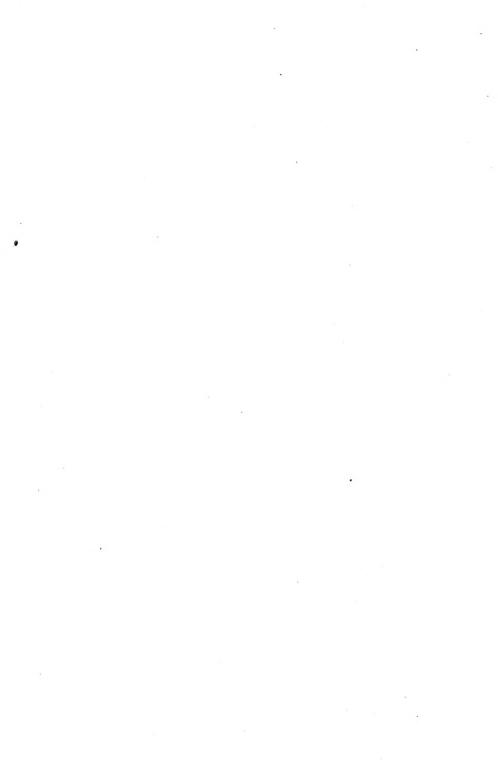
Fraternally,

ISAAC CUTTER, Grand Secretary.

APPENDIX-PART I

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MASONIC CORRESPONDENCE

NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTEEN



PRELUDE

Few questions of supreme moment to the craft at large have been pressing for answer during the past year. Gradually the various grand lodges are making it more difficult for the mercenary purveyor of spurious degrees to deceive. The requirement of "strict trial and due examination" has been given added emphasis in the provision for documentary evidence, showing good standing in a lodge, certified to be regular.

More and more the true aim and purpose of masonry are being understood and realized. Uniformity and precision in he ritual are everywhere accepted as of extreme importance. In addition to this, however, intelligent conception of the true meaning of our great fraternity is urged by the leaders of the craft throughout the world. Elsewhere, as well as in Illinois, instructors and schools are giving attention to the study of the intellectual and fraternal in masonry.

Systems of Benevolence.

Like the pulsating of a mighty engine in moving the machinery of commerce, so the great heart of the brotherhood is throbbing in purest sympathy with the worthy distressed brother, his wife, his widow and his orphan. The great systems of relief are most effective whether in Homes or by individual assistance. With but few exceptions, however, grand lodges have found by experience that the well established Home is the easiest and most effective method of benevolence.

It has been a genuine pleasure to review the work of the various clearing houses of the craft. The brotherly spirit has so interwoven itself into the bare facts of the business of masonry as to produce a fabric of fraternity—good and beautiful enough to adorn the body of service to mankind. Many topics are treated in the pages that follow. These are sifted out with the view on the one hand of economizing space and on the other, of furnishing a storehouse of the things done and the methods of work of the various grand lodges with which Illinois is in fraternal touch. Our brethren can use the pages which follow as a giant mirror reflecting the form and features of the body of masonry throughout the world.

THE FALSE AND THE TRUE.

True masonry and its *quasi* imitators—sometimes called universal masonry—may be classified in three groups. These are—

I. Anglo-Saxon. Here may be found the only pure and genuine branch, standing squarely on all the essentials commonly called land-

marks. This group embraces England, 2,768 lodges; Ireland, 460; Scotland, 712; Australia, with 7 grand and 732 constituent lodges; the United States, with 59 grand and 15,000 constituents and Canada with 6 governing bodies with 752 lodges. This gives a total of over 20,000 lodges and a membership of a little over 2,000,000. All these are the direct descendants of the grand lodge of England formed in 1717 and built firmly on belief in God and the Bible as the great light.

- 2. The Germanic includes Germany with 8 grand bodies and 490 local lodges and 5 independents at Leipzig; Denmark, 12 lodges; Sweden, 37; Norway, 15; Hungary, 68, and Luxemburg, numbers not given. The totals for this group are about 630 lodges and membership approximating 82,000. Illinois is not in fraternal relation with the Germanics because of their want of adherence to one or more of the fundamentals of craft masonry.
- 3. The Latin group embraces France, 535 lodges; Italy, 300; Spain, 80; Portugal, 100; Greece, 15; Switzerland, 34, and all the grand lodges and grand orients of Central and South America. There is a total here of about 1.500 lodges and 60,000 members.

In the foregoing lists Holland does not appear because it has been recognized by our grand lodge. It would, by language at least, be included in the Germanic group. Holland has 95 lodges. Owing to fundamental defects in essentials the German and Latin groups are not regular and are not recognized by most of the Anglo-Saxon authorities. France and her satellites are most under condemnation because of her atheistic tendencies and the invasion of occupied masonic territory. It will be seen that the Germanic and Latin groups claim but 142,000 while the Anglo-Saxon bodies have more than 2,000,0000 adherents. It is easy, therefore, to see that the substantial foundation upon which English speaking masons stand appeals most strongly to men in all lands.

It has been gratifying that of the seventy grand lodges recognized by Illinois all are represented in the following pages. Last year five were not received in time. There is a growing interest among Illinois masons in the affairs of the world craft. The many expressions of interest coming to the writer show a wider reading for this summary of masonic news.

Fraternally.

OWEN SCOTT, Reviewer.

Decatur, Ill., September 20, 1913.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

ON

MASONIC CORRESPONDENCE

NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTEEN

OWEN SCOTT, P. G. M.

ALABAMA—1912.

543 Lodges.

92ND ANNUAL,

25,471 MEMBERS.

In all lists of grand lodges, alphabetically arranged, Alabama comes first. In this case Arizona leads. The grand lodge was held at Montgomery December 3 and 4, 1912. January 18, 1913, the handsome volume of proceedings reached the table of the Illinois reviewer. Making allowance for time of transmission first to the grand secretary and then from him to the writer, the time of preparing and printing the proceedings was little more than 30 days from the closing of the grand lodge. The book contains 486 pages and is handsomely printed. This comes close to record time in publishing proceedings. It is enough, at least, to make Brother Cutter sit up and observe things. Why should grand secretaries allow weary months to drag out before the business of the annual session of the grand lodge reaches the craft? Grand Secretary Beauchamp is to be congratulated upon his good taste in appearancee, speed in getting out and accuracy of details of his report of the doings of his grand lodge for 1912.

The year's work shows a net gain in membership of 1,110. The picture and biographical sketch of Grand Master Daniel A. Greene are the opening features of the book. Alabama, like Illinois, keeps its grand master two years.

Unless representatives of other grand lodges attend the annual meetings as often as once in three years, their places are declared vacant. Representatives of Maryland and Tennessee came under the rule by being absent three consecutive years. Requests were made for the appointment of others. This is a good rule and should be enforced. Illinois was represented by Bro. WM. W. DAFFIN.

AN EXCELLENT REPORT.

The address of Grand Master Greene was an able and interesting document. A single extract will confirm this estimate of its worth. He savs—

We meet today as we have met for more than ninety years, practicing the same ritualistic ceremonies, professing the same principles, and holding the same tenents. But, these ancient ceremonies possess a new meaning, those principles have become an active force and our tenets have assumed concrete form. No great institution can ever stand still, it must either progress, or be lost in the battle, in which the forces of good are arrayed against the influences which tend to degrade mankind.

Ancient craft masonry, while it stands for the same today that it did centuries back, while it has come through the ages without any changes in its forms, alterations in its ceremonies, or variations in its professions, has ever been in the front of the battle of civilization for the uplift of man and the redemption of the world. Creeds, and religions and empires have arisen, flourished and decayed; doctrines which have swayed the world, and been maintained by the most brilliant intellects of our race have sunk into contempt and dishonor, yet Freemasonry still survives, unchanged and unchangeable. But, when we remember that she knows no touchstone of truth, looks nowhere for a competent censor, recognizes no infallibility in human flesh and believes that error cannot stand before the blazing torch of reason, we must admit that its basic principles are such that it cannot be shaken by religious reformations, nor overthrown by political revolutions.

THE WATER WAGON REQUIRED.

Twelve decisions were reported and all were approved. In one he says that—

One who is engaged in the sale of vinous, spirituous or malt liquors is ineligible to receive the degrees of masoury. This applies to either or all degrees. Therefore, one who is so engaged and had been initiated or passed before the adoption of this edict became ineligible for advancement by its adoption.

In another, masonic tradition receives modern readjustment. He says—

The masonic tradition of "High hills and low vales" does not apply to modern conditions, so as to require lodge meetings to be held in the cellars or upper floors of a building. It is sufficient if the plan of meeting can be properly and securely guarded from outside observation and intrusion.

THE WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' HOME

Was dedicated at this session. At last Alabama steps into the ranks of grand lodges which have made ample provision for the needy. The money for this noble purpose came in small sums from individuals. No large gifts were made. The ladies of the Eastern Star were thanked for their zeal and generosity in this great work. They were requested to appoint

a committee to visit the Home and make suggestions to the board of control. During the time the Home fund has been accumulated the reports show that more than \$6,000 in interest has been added by investment. The ceremonies of dedication are reported in full.

The action of the grand master in granting a dispensation for a new lodge, which violated the law regarding distances from existing lodges, was repudiated and a charter refused.

Persons who had been made masons, while the lodge was under dispensation, were placed on the roll of non-affiliates and carried by the grand secretary. They can obtain dimits and affiliate as regular masons.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Comes again from the experienced hand of Bro. Wm. Y. Titcomb. Illinois for 1911 is reviewed. Bro. John C. Smith is referred to as "one of the most distinguished masons in America—a conspicuous figure both inside and outside of Illinois." The attitude of Grand Master Ashley in requiring correspondence between lodges of different grand jurisdictions to be through the grand masters is assailed. Brother Titcomb thinks that "such requirement is an invasion of the rights of the lodge." He says that "the remarks on masonry and religion were excellent." The holding of our committee on jurisprudence, regarding physical qualifications in case of the "loss of the fourth finger of the right hand near the "knuckle" was considered severe. He then concludes—

Well! Some of these days the views of our brethren, not only in Illinois, but all over the country, on the subject of physical qualifications of candidates, will broaden.

Brother Titcome says—

As a reviewer Brother Scott, as quickly as he has mounted the tripod reportorial, has "won his spurs."

This kind of taffy has a decidedly sweetish taste.

WHY MAKE ASSESSMENTS?

Brother Titcomb savs-

Brother Scott quotes a few of our grand master's decisions. As to some of them he is "pro" to others he is "con."

Referring to decision No. 16, which held that a failure to pay an assessment levied by a lodge cannot be made the basis of a charge of unmasonic conduct, Brother Scott asks:

"How then can you collect it from a member? Sue him? If dues are made high enough there will be no need of assessments."

To these questions we offer this one: A certain member is totally unable to meet a lodge assessment—Can you bring a charge of unma-

sonic conduct against that poor fellow? How will you word the specifications?

The way out is the Illinois way. Make no assessments. Place lodge dues high enough to meet all reasonable requirements. When a brother is too poor to pay, remit his dues. Illinois lodges cannot levy assessments.

A coincidence—The Alabama review has 239 pages, Illinois 232.

Grand master, Daniel A. Greene, Birmingham; grand secretary, Geo. A. Beauchamp, Montgomery.

ALBERTA-1912.

67 Lodges.

7TH ANNUAL.

4,498 MEMBERS.

It was with sincere regret that Alberta for 1012 did not arrive in time for review in the proceedings of Illinois for that year. The grand lodge was held at Edmonton May 29, 1912, but the proceedings did not come to hand until October 10. Apparently there was ample time to print and distribute a book of 230 pages, being almost the exact size of the Illinois report on correspondence for 1912. The proceedings are in excellent form, neat and tasty. Growth is shown by a net gain of 675 in membership.

The grand master's address is brief and pointed. He says that the grand lodge was formed seven years ago with eighteen lodges and a membership of 1,206. Now it has sixty-eight lodges and 4,498 members. Truly this shows a most healthy advance.

Of his country he says that—

Bands of steel are traversing the yet unpopulated regions of our vast prairies, knitting together the isolated communities, making transportation facilities available for the numberless settlers who will follow up the steel bands which have always been the advance guard of civilization; at least one hundred new towns will spring into existence during the present year, consider what this indicates to us in the near future, as you will ever find members of our fraternity in the advance guard.

Some Bad. Some Good.

Under "dispensations" the grand master gives information for serious reflection. He permitted a lodge to initiate "an applicant with artificial foot." This, at long distance, looks like anxiety for members. There were seventeen dispensations "to wear regalia at divine service." Does

wearing masonic clothing at church make men more worshipful? On the other hand, the grand master exercised a wise discretion in refusing to allow a lodge "to wear regalia at a ball," another to raise a candidate within one week of passing and refusing "to institute a colored lodge accompanied by fourteen signatures professing to be regularly made masons."

Medicine Hat, the fatal headquarters of the storm king, was the scene of a corner-stone ceremony for a high school.

The grand secretary's seventh annual report is a model of brevity, coupled with a full detail of the secretary's work.

Attention is called to the fact that ten lodges do not carry any insurance. If one of these shiftless bodies should have the misfortune to have its effects destroyed, it would, first of all, want the lodges that guard their property by insurance to contribute to help them replace their paraphernalia. When the cost of protection is so small, a lodge that does not insure is entitled to no sympathy or assistance from others which do.

GIVES EMPTY HONORS.

Alberta confers "past ranks." Six brethren were, by action of the grand lodge, made "past district deputy grand masters." In most things our young northern sister is essentially American, using that term in its broad sense. They use the American money system and are not scouring the province for titled functionaries for their officers. Their grand masters are not dukes, nor bishops, nor premiers nor others selected for their position in church or state. They are plain working masons chosen for their merit. With this excellent attitude conferring of "past ranks" is scarcely consistent.

LOOKING AHEAD.

The Alberta Masonic Home and School Fund shows a total of more than \$6,000. Steps have been taken to purchase a section of land and hold it for its natural increase in value. In such a rapidly developing country, it will not take long to make this tract of land sufficient in value to provide for masonic dependents.

The committee on foreign correspondence designated its chairman, Bro. S. Y. Taylor, to write the the annual review. This requires 113 pages to summarize the doings of fifty-one grand lodges. Illinois for 1911 is treated. "Masonry and Religion" is quoted in full with hearty approval. Grand Master Ashley, in this, appears to have voiced a latent sentiment possessed by almost every other grand lodge.

Brother Taylor says that "the grand lodge (Illinois) is to be congratulated on the excellent moral condition of its members." This comment resulted from the statement that there was only one case before the committee on appeals and grievances.

Grand master, Robert Patterson, Macleod; grand secretary, George MacDonald, Calgary.

ALBERTA-1913.

79 Lodges.

8th Annual.

5,166 MEMBERS.

It became necessary in the 1912 report to omit the consideration of Alberta, for the excellent reason that the proceedings for that year did not arrive in time. This year it is more fortunate. Both proceedings are therefore included. The session for 1913 was held at Banff on May 28th. An increase of 668 members indicates that the great fraternity is progressing in this Canadian province. Owing to the general concord prevailing no decisions and no cases of discipline were reported. As a consequence of this the committee on jurisprudence and on grievances and appeals reported no business before them.

The grand lodges of Costa Rica and the Philippine Islands were given recognition. Suitable respect was paid to the memory of Past Grand Master Charles F. Hitchcock of Illinois.

THE REVIEW OF GRAND LODGES

comes from the chairman of the committee, Bro. S. Y. TAYLOR. He does not indulge in introduction or conclusion, but plunges immediately into the consideration of the various grand lodges. This report is one of painstaking interest. Under California the names of states that have regulations regarding liquor are given. Twenty-four of these have none whatever. The other twenty-six have varying provisions regarding the relation of the liquor business to masonry. The law of these latter twenty-six states is quoted, showing positive condemnation of the liquor traffic.

Illinois for 1912 is reviewed. Extensive quotations are made from the report of the grand master. The reviewer says—

Grand Master Darrah is to be congratulated on having clearly defined the duties of his deputies, and insisting upon their being responsible for the inspection of the work in their respective districts. It is the

only practical way in which a grand master can get in touch with all the lodges in such an extensive jurisdiction.

Brother Taylor commends Brother Darrah for his refusal to grant dispensations to ballot for and confer the 1st degree in less than the lawful time simply because petitioner was going to move away. He says such a request is always open to question and should be discouraged. Grand Secretary Cutter is given this well deserved compliment, "Grand lodge proceedings are very complete and reflect great credit on the grand secretary." Brother Taylor thinks that the Illinois correspondence report for last year was a "work of high order and interesting throughout. Our only regret is that Alberta was not included in this list." A very excellent reason for not including Alberta was that the proceedings did not reach the reviewer in time, although the grand lodge was held in May and the Illinois report was kept open until late in September.

Grand master, S. J. Blair, Calgary; grand secretary, George MacDonald, Calgary.

ARIZONA—1913.

20 Lodges.

31st Annual.

2.118 MEMBERS.

The annual session of this little—but good grand lodge was held at Bisbee, February 11, 1913. A gain of 105 in membership was shown. The proceedings come in excellent shape being bound in attractive light blue. A fine picture of the grand master, Harry Arizona Drachman, adorns the opening page. It will be seen from this name that somebody in the past thought something of Arizona. The Illinois ambassador was not present. In his address the grand master notes the death of Past Grand Master Charles F. Hitchcock of Illinois.

Under the state of the order the grand master sounds this note of cheer.

It is with a sense of pride that we see our ranks increasing and that we are becoming strong and powerful. Our treasury shows a large increase and our influence for good is expanding in the fraternal world. We are receiving into the order in this state many men who stand high in their respective communities, and with prosperity before us we should see our membership increase by leaps and bounds and prove a power for good in all that appertains to masonry.

RAFFLES AND DANCES IN LODGE ROOMS.

There were reported seven decisions in the form of questions and answers. The grand master gave to one of these the following reply:

"There is nothing to prohibit the holding of a dance, card party, or bazaar, but do not deem it prudent to hold a raffle or any game of chance." This answer was given in reply to a question as to the use of a masonic hall for the holding of a bazaar and raffle. There is question about the propriety of holding a dance or other entertainments of that character in the lodge room. Not that there is anything inherently wrong in such affairs, but often there are members who object to them. Nothing should be held in a lodge room which is offensive to any member. In reply to another question the grand master said that the petition of a man could not be received unless he was twenty-one years of age at the time of signing the petition. The fact that he would become of age before the petition could be acted upon would make no difference.

CAN'T INTERPOLATE.

Among recommendations the grand master urged the following; "I also recommend that the lodges and brethren in this jurisdiction be enjoined and prohibited from using and permitting the teaching of delivery of any masonic lectures or work which are not sanctioned or have not been adopted by this grand lodge." That Grand Master Drachman has the true conception of masonry it is but necessary to copy one of his quotations.

Masonry, my brethren, like the field of the husbandman, will yield up her treasures to the persevering laborer only, who earns them by diligent toil. Time alone, and study will enable you to understand it, and then you will see why it is so highly prized by those generous men who esteem above dignities and riches the mind's tranquil peace, the love of truth, the pleasure of aiding our fellow men.

PROVIDES FOR A KEY.

By a vote of 58 to 2.1 the Grand Lodge of Arizona entered upon the perilous experiment of the preparation and the use of a key to the unwritten work of that jurisdiction. Three copies are to be furnished to the master of the lodge. It becomes "compulsory upon subordinate lodges to conform to the work prescribed therein within six months after they have been furnished with said key." It was further provided that at each annual meeting the keys should be submitted to the inspection of the grand lecturers as evidence of their care and protection. In most states where this plan has been adopted serious consequences have followed. When once the plan is begun it is hard to let go. The best place for the work to be kept is in the minds and hearts of the members. In Illinois there is no key and no state is more efficient and uniform in its work.

DOUBTFUL DECISION.

The grand master recommended that the York Grand Lodge of Mexico be recognized. The committee on correspondence reported as follows;

That this grand lodge continue to recognize the same grand lodge in Mexico that it has recognized in the past, but consider it as contrary to masonic law to recognize more than one grand lodge occupying the same territory or to recognize any grand lodge that would permit any such infringement of this law.

This report was adopted. It is so ambiguous that the writer is not certain as to whether the York Grand Lodge was recognized, or whether the spurious Valle de Mexico is to be continued as legitimate by Arizona. In the chaotic condition of Mexico, both masonically and civilly, grand lodges are taking long chances in maintaining or establishing fraternal relation with anybody in that unfortunate land.

MUST ATTEND OR QUIT.

It was unanimously resolved that representatives from sister grand jurisdictions who fail for three successive years to be present at the annual communications of this grand lodge shall have their positions declared vacant. This is in line with a tendency of grand lodges to require representatives of other grand lodges either to attend the sessions or give up the positions they hold.

On recommendation of the committee on jurisprudence it was "provided that no lodge shall be required to pay grand lodge dues or other per capita tax for members borne upon its roll but to whom no dues are charged by the lodge."

The grand master's ruling, that the manner of wearing the apron is a matter of ritual and not of law, was approved.

No review of grand lodges is presented. Report is made of the 3rd annual meeting of Past Grand Masters' Association which was held during the grand lodge session. Eleven past grand masters, two honorary members, one a past deputy grand master and the other a past junior grand warden, were present. This meeting appears to be one of considerable interest to the members present. There are twenty-two members in this body.

Grand master, Leroy Middletown, Globe; grand secretary, George J. Roskruge, Tucson.

ARKANSAS-1912.

554 Lodges.

71st Annual.

20,534 MEMBERS.

Among a number of records of emergency communications is one for the laying of the corner stone of "Al Amin Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine."

Two classes of structures are usually considered proper for a grand lodge to use its public ceremony in laying a corner stone. These are public buildings, and those dedicated to masonic uses. As the Shrine temple is neither a public structure nor a masonic building, the reason does not appear why a grand lodge should lay its corner stone. The Shrine is a social order, secret and exclusive. It does not claim to be masonic. It ceremonies are indicated by its name. It is true that no one but masons are admitted, but in no sense is it a masonic order. There can be no harm in placing the stone of this organization, but it requires a little stretch of imagination to bring it within the usual boundary of the masonic propriety of grand lodge.

The annual session was held at Little Rock, November 19, 1912.

The representative of Illinois, Robert Liddell, was present. During the past year he was named as such by the grand master of Illinois.

Grand Master Mark P. Olney delivered a very instructive address filled with details of the year's work. He alludes to his state as the "Imperial Keystone State of the South Land." Just where the keystone fits into the arch of states is not readily seen.

GRAND MASTER MADE IN ILLINOIS.

In referring to his admission into grand lodge he says "that his first visit was fourteen years ago when as senior deacon of his lodge he was given a proxy as representative." He further says—

I was then just past my majority and had only the year before received the proud title of master mason in an obscure country lodge in Illinois and my business and fraternal life were all before me.

It is gratifying to Illinois to find her brethren going into other states and serving in such important a position as grand master.

The death of Past Grand Master George M. Dannelly is noted. He was in his 87th year and had been for a half century conspicuous in masonic work in that grand jurisdiction.

The death of SAM H. DAVIDSON, grand junior warden of Arkansas is also noted.

Does Not Favor Them.

In regard to issuing special dispensations the grand master with great propriety says—

Special dispensations have been asked to do almost every imaginable thing, and where the good of masonry permitted, it has been my privilege to grant these, though I have been loath to grant dispensations to make masons in other than the regular way, and in every case where I have done otherwise than this felt that the occasion warranted the action.

Evidently the grand master thinks that the law should take its course, and should not, except for most urgent reasons, be set aside by dispensations.

The grand master reports his visit to the Orphans' Home, which he says he found in excellent condition. There are eighty-two children already in the Home and with eight more admitted since his visit.

ROBES AT FUNERALS.

Among decisions rendered he reports as follows;

Question.—Our lodge has robes for all the officers and we want to know whether we can wear them at funerals?

Answer.—It is not proper to wear robes at a funeral.

It is scarcely conceivable how any mason could ask such a question. The impropriety is so glaring that any one with but a week's experience in the craft would feel he had humilitated himself by suggesting such a thing. A funeral is a sacred thing. It should not be turned into a roaring farce. There are many excellent masonic authorities that feel that wearing robes in the lodge room is most questionable. To wear them in public, especially at a funeral, would amount almost to a comedy.

ALBERT J. Coover, grand representative of Arkansas near the Grand Orient of Belgium, gives a very interesting report of affairs in that country. Illinois does not recognize Belgium, being too closely associated with the Grand Orient of France.

HIRED A CHEAP PRINTER.

The proceedings of the former year were much delayed in their issue. Grand Master Olney refers to this in such a way as to bring the grand secretary, Bro. Fay Hempstead, to the rescue. The session was held November 18th, and the proceedings were not received before the latter part of May of the succeeding year. The explanation by Brother Hempstead is that the printing office to which the contract was awarded was not capable of finishing the work because of limited equipment.

This year the proceedings of the meeting held November 19th did not reach this reviewer until about May 1st. A very trifling improvement over the former year. In Illinois we are so accustomed to promptness in publishing the proceedings that long delays seem almost inexcusable.

A LADY SPEAKS.

The oration was delivered by RICHARD H. TAYLOR. It was a finished production and aroused general interest. Following this, "the grand master then introduced Mrs. MAUD FUSON, grand matron of the order of the Eastern Star of Arkansas, who delivered a most graceful and appropriate address, replete with lofty thoughts and graceful diction." It is evident from this, though not so stated, that this was an open session. Otherwise, the Eastern Star ladies could not have been present.

The petition for recognition by San Salvador was granted. The committee on correspondence found that it possessed the prerequisites for taking it into the family of masons.

A WOMAN ON THE BOARD.

It appears from the proceedings, that the Eastern Star has a representative on the Orphans' Home Board. The record shows that Mrs. Lockie Barnett was elected for two years to succeed another lady whose term expired. There is really much propriety in having a representative woman on the board of trustees for the Orphans' Home. There are many things about such an institution that can be more readily seen through the eyes of woman than those of man. She is closer to child life and has a keener perception of its requirements.

No review of grand lodges is found in the proceedings. Evidently Arkansas denies itself the advantage of bringing to masons of that state a summary of the doings of the masonic world.

Grand master, William T. Hammock, Quitman; grand secretary, Fay Hempstead, Little Rock.

BRITISH COLUMBIA-1912.

65 Lodges.

41st Annual.

5.776 Members.

Owing to the late arrival of the proceedings of British Columbia its review must go over until 1913. The grand lodge met June 20, 1912, but proceedings did not arrive until October 10.

The volume opens as a veritable picture gallery. Excellent full page portraits of three past grand masters are given. The entire book reflects credit upon the compiler and printer. A flock of emergent communications are reported. The habit so grew upon them that even the annual was designated "emergent" in the title.

The grand master says that his first duty after taking office was to transmit by cable an address of congratulations to the Duke of Connaught, grand master of England, on his appointment as governor general of the Dominion of Canada. In America little masonic attention is given to accession to positions of responsibility and power of civil servants of the people. Presidents may come and presidents may go but the stately old craft goes on forever.

A ruling of the grand master shows that candidates must be taken separately through the entire ceremony of the third degree. Dispensations to wear masonic clothing at dances were refused. Of course, who would think of degrading masonry by using the emblems and symbols of the fraternity for mere show at the giddy whirl of the dance?

MUST BE INTELLECTUAL.

The grand master recommended-

That the requirement that worshipful masters elect be examined and found well skilled in our laws, our noble science and royal art, and duly instructed in our mysteries before they are installed, be rigidly enforced, and not slighted as is too often done.

Thus, mere masonic parrots are going out of style, the world over.

The two eminent masonic historians, Robert Freke Gould of England, and W. J. Chetwode Crawley of Ireland, were made honorary members with the rank of past grand wardens. Why the rank of offices they never filled? Would not honorary membership serve every purpose?

Owing to diversity of ritual and the smallness of the jurisdiction, the grand master's recommendation for the preparation of a monitor was not approved. Bro. James McCredie, who represents British Columbia at the Grand Lodge of Illinois, is still credited to Freeport. He lives at Aurora and never did live at Freeport.

THE GRAND SECRETARY.

Bro. W. A. DeWolf Smith is chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence and presents an excellent review of grand lodge proceedings. Brother Smith writes with fearless independence and expresses good opinions in good temper. He says in regard to Illinois that "the proceedings are introduced by a cheap line-cut of the grand master.." Brother Ashley. He then adds, "the distinguished brother's report is contained in thirty pages of the volume and is liberally padded at that." This only appears so. Brother Ashley made a faithful "report" of what he did. He had no need, out of his busy year, to do any padding.

The reviewer says that-

The grand master has the curious notion that all correspondence between lodges in different jurisdictions should be conducted by the respective grand masters.

Brother Ashley's "Masonry and Religion" met very hearty approval.

Brother Smith is amused at the comments on English masonry by the Illinois correspondent. He says that—

He finds it strange that the grand master of that jurisdiction is described by his title, instead of by "his real name," and attributes His Highness' frequent absences from grand lodge to the time it takes to look after his various dignities. However, even this gentle criticism is not directed towards the Duke, but to his masonic advisers, H.R.H. having endeared himself to our brother across the line by the republican manner in which he signs his name, "Arthur."

THE HEAD BETTER THAN THE POCKET.

The review further says-

Noting the efforts of Alberta to establish a uniform ritual, Brother Scott says—

"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."

They could, but won't so long as they can get a little book to carry in the vest pocket.

The Grand Lodge of Illinois expels from all the rights and privileges of masonry members who carry "little books in their pockets"

purporting to contain the craft ritual. They must have their masonry in their heads and hearts, not in their pockets. Brother SMITH is in hearty accord with the attitude of Illinois on most important questions.

He says that he believes that it will not be long until royal arch chapters, commanderies and consistories, along with the Eastern Star, will be excluded from masonic halls. Brother SMITH will be a pretty old man if he lives long enough to see this.

Grand master, J. M. Rudd, Nanaimo; grand secretary, W. A. De-Wolf Smith, New Westminster.

(See page 232 for 1913 review of British Columbia.)

CALIFORNIA—1912.

352 Lodges.

63rd Annual.

48,315 MEMPERS.

The session was held at Los Angeles, October 12, 1912, being the exact date of the Illinois grand lodge meeting. California requires the fourth day while Illinois easily gets into three. For the first time in its history the golden state grand lodge met in Southern California. The sessions are permanently fixed at San Francisco, this being a concession to the brethren of the south.

A gain in membership of 2,479 is reported. Eleven new lodges were placed on the roll. The substantial figure of Alonzo J. Monroe, the retiring grand master, is the opening adornment. California, like Illinois, prints the text of the opening prayer by the grand chaplain. The annual address of Grand Master Monroe is an able and exhaustive document, devoted mostly to business and little to literary show.

A CLEAN CITY.

Of the Southern California metropolis the grand master says—

Los Angeles is a city whose moral and civic life is clean and in harmony with masonic ideals. It is a city of many masonic lodges. During my visits in Southern California last June and July, a citizen of this city declared to the National Municipal League, assembled here, that Los Angeles has no slum or red light district. That was a proud boast. It could not be made of any other city of equal population in the United States. This city is, therefore, a fit place for the annual meeting of the great fraternity that "has for its foundation the practice of the moral and social virtues."

The grand master does not include his decisions in his annual report. In advance of the meeting they are referred to the committee on jurisprudence. This gives opportunity for thorough investigations and consideration.

Construction of the Law.

The report is made giving the decisions in full with the action taken by the committee. There were twenty-four decisions, covering fifteen pages of the proceedings. In nearly all cases the grand master and committee are in accord.

The grand master refused a dispensation to a lodge to give a man, 82 years old, masonic burial, because for many years he had remained unaffiliated.

The decision regarding smoking in the lodge room is in exact harmony with that of Grand Master Darrah, Grand Master Monroe says that—

The ceremony of conferring the degrees of masonry is a sacred and solemn one. To smoke at such a time in the lodge is a breach of propriety and should not be permitted.

Surely no rightly constituted mason can be so selfishly addicted to "the weed" as to object to this reasonable rule. In fact, the propriety of smoking in open lodge at any time is seriously to be questioned. There are often members to whom tobacco smoke is so offensive as to destroy their ease and comfort in the lodge. Surely no real mason would be so unmindful of his brother as to drive him into a headache or from the lodge room merely to gratify his pleasure of smoking. The great Apostle Paul said that, though in itself it be lawful; yet, "if eating meat causes my brother to offend, I will eat no more meat so long as the world stands." Masons should be equally considerate of each other.

It was held that a receipt for dues was "null and of no effect" without the impress of the lodge seal. To have the seal printed on was not sufficient. In line with Illinois the grand master decided that it was contrary to masonic teachings to lay a corner stone on Sunday.

For a mason to rent property to be used as a house of prostitution was held to be ground for expulsion.

THEIR TWO HOMES.

The Masonic Homes are in excellent condition. The one at Decoto is for adults and the one at San Gabriel for children. The grand master concludes his reference to these havens of refuge for the unfortunate in the following worthful words—

The highest reward is in the consciousness of inestimable service to some of their fellow beings. The noblest and greatest service that

man can give to man is that which uplifts and ennobles another. Their work is not on "the canvas that shall perish, or the marble that shall crumble into dust, but upon mind, upon spirit, which is to last forever, and which is to bear, for good or evil, throughout eternity, the impress of a teacher's plastic hand."

A plan to create an endowment fund of \$1,000,000 for the Homes is urged. Why should this be done? If the present generation builds and equips these Homes, is it asking too much of the future to maintain and extend them? Again, Is there not serious danger in the management and investment of so large a sum? Some one might be tempted to go wrong and others might make poor investments. In masonry, the craft can be depended on to meet every requirement for the relief of a worthy distressed brother, his widow and orphan. From 1899 to 1912 the Decoto Home cared for 1,589, an annual average of 114; at San Gabriel from 1910 to 1912, there were 149 children, average of 50.

THE LIQUOR QUESTION A LIVE ONE.

An amendment to the constitution was adopted, barring from membership all who are engaged in the sale of intoxicating beverages, either as principal, agent or employe. One exception is made. When the saloon is in connection with "a bona fide hotel or restaurant" the rule does not apply. A new amendment was submitted barring all who sell liquors. This goes over for a year. In order to get the attitude of other grand lodges on the booze question, the grand master wrote to each for information. He reports that twenty-four grand lodges have nothing in their constitution, regulations or decisions bearing on the liquor issue. In the laws of twenty-six others, there are prohibitions and restrictions. Rapidly grand lodges are coming to the attitude of the ineligibility for membership of those engaged in the sale of intoxicants.

California's system of relief is the most extensive of that of any American grand lodge and probably greater than any foreign.

Boards of relief are organized in the larger cities. These are San Francisco, Los Angeles, San Diego, Oakland, San Jose and Sacramento. To these the grand lodge makes annual appropriations in proportion to their needs. In San Francisco, for the year 1912, the disbursements for relief of Illinois masons were \$374.25. Of this \$351.50 was returned by the individuals or their lodges.

LARGE SUMS SPENT.

Los Angeles expended \$1,729.15 on account of Illinois and received in return \$1,273.80. This was the largest amount paid for any grand

jurisdiction. At each of these places there is maintained an employment bureau. This has been of much assistance to sojourning brethren. As the Panama Exposition came on, many flocked to San Francisco. In tourist countries, like California, greater demands for relief are made upon the craft than elsewhere. Relief board appropriations for 1912-1913 were San Francisco, \$5.000; Los Angeles, \$4,000; San Diego, \$600, and Sacramento, \$500.

California is building a million dollar temple in San Francisco. It probably is completed by this time.

A brilliant oration was delivered by M.W. Bro. James A. Foshay, grand orator. Its extreme length precludes review in so limited space as is at command of the writer. One brief extract must suffice. He says—

We are proud of our country and of the patriotism of our people, but let us not forget that the highest patriotism is that men shall *live* for their country as well as *dic* for it. It is the daily living of a devoted life that makes the patriot and the hero. We, as men, must cherish high ideals, believe in them, and *act* them. As King Solomon first dreamed of his wonderful temple and afterward built it, so should we dream of that which is morally elevating and spiritually uplifting, and then build it into our noble masonic edifice.

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Again is written by Bro. Edward H. Hart. This is the equivalent of saying that the review is well made. The chief characteristic is copious quotations from grand lodge utterances. Illinois receives full consideration in six of his pages.

From Grand Master Ashley he copies liberally.

"Masonry and Religion" is given in full. Many other parts of Brother Ashley's report are reproduced. The address made by Grand Master Ashley in installing Brother Darrah, his response, and the remarks by Bro. Owen Scott are given in full. Brother Hart pays the İllinois reviewer the compliment of printing in full his introduction to the report of 1911.

Grand master, WM. P. Filmer, San Francisco; grand secretary, John Whicher, Hewes Building, San Francisco.

CANADA—1912.

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

421 Lodges.

57th Annual.

50,721 Members.

The annual meeting was held at Toronto July 17 and 18, 1912. This grand lodge, though retaining some of the English characteristics, is more American than otherwise. Its grand master is "on the throne" and its "committee of general purposes" transacts much of the vacation business usually under the control of the grand master. R.W. Bro. Abraham Shaw represents Illinois at the Canada masonic court. This distinguished brother was a very welcome visitor at the session of the Illinois grand lodge last year. His address was most acceptable. Since his visit, Illinois feels much closer to "Canada, in the Province of Ontario" than before. Abe Shaw, as he is familiarly called by his friends, will ever have a reserved seat in the grand lodge of Illinois, and a warm place in the hearts of all masons fortunate enough to know him.

Instead of the ordinary welcome extended by cities, "the craft in Toronto" presented a formal, written greeting signed by the worshipful masters of twenty-five lodges in the city.

At the opening the grand secretary read "the rules and regulations for the government of the grand lodge during the time of business."

England's Grand Master in Canada.

In his address Grand Master White refers to the appointment of the grand master of the grand lodge of England as the governor general of Canada. Inasmuch as it is not deemed proper for the Duke of Connaught to take active personal part in masonic work while serving as governor general he could not attend sessions of the grand lodge. However, as grand master of England, he sent his fraternal greetings and best wishes for continued success and prosperity. The grand master reported having issued 277 dispensations. Many of these were to attend divine service clothed in regalia. He says that there is some sensitiveness about this custom and then adds—

No such sensitiveness prevails in the mother grand lodge or in the grand lodge of Ireland, as functions are constantly held where the brothren appear in regalia. I apprehend that the regalia of a mason is a badge of honour rather than something to be ashamed of, and I would be glad to see my lodges turn out in regalia to attend divine worship more frequently than they do.

THE REAL OBJECTION.

Truly the "regalia of a mason" is a badge of honor and for wearing of which there is no need of apology. The objection to this church going custom is that a well established principle of the craft is never to use masonic clothing merely for display. It is not needed in attending church. No fraternal duty is enjoined upon lodges, as such, to attend sectarian religious services where their consciences may be wounded by doctrines preached that they cannot endorse. If there were but one church the case would be slightly different. Even then there would be no masonic justification for making a show of the "regalia of a mason."

RULINGS AS LAW.

The grand master was prolific in his rulings. He refused to grant a dispensation to hold a picnic in the state of Michigan. The recent "unpleasantness" with that state was the reason. He refused permission for a lodge to receive petition for initiation of a penitentiary convict, out on parole. Queer notions some lodges have as to fitness of material. Brother White declined to recognize "Masonic Social Clubs" as they might lead to "various kinds of trouble and reflections on the craft."

The grand master nipped in the bud a threatened secession of a number of lodges west of the great lakes.

Brother White was asked to permit a lodge to receive the petition of a "gentleman, estimable and spotless character who, through an injury, could not walk." With regret he felt compelled to refuse. In one ruling it appears that two black balls are required to reject. A master declared a candidate rejected where only one negative was cast. The grand master set aside the master's decision and ordered his initiation.

SUPPRESSED CHARGES.

In another case a lawyer was disbarred by the courts, presided over by masons. The dethroned attorney preferred charges against the judges and officers for what they did and said in their official capacity. The grand master most properly suppressed the charges. In doing so he said that—

To have allowed his charges on our records would have perhaps entailed charges of libel, but at any rate I did not propose that the craft should be made use of to enable this brother to try and get even with eminent men for what they did. If they were guilty of any malfeasance in office we are not the court to try them.

A masonic temple company insisted on renting their building for social events where liquors were served and where dancing was practiced on Sunday. The grand master ordered this to be discontinued. There was rebellion on the part of the "Temple Co." because he had no jurisdiction over this corporation. The grand master soon convinced the masters of lodges, meeting in the temple, that it would be easier for them to "cut out the booze" than to be compelled to move to other quarters. Canada is sound on Sunday observance and the liquor question.

The proceedings contain 501 pages. Of this, 193 are taken up with reports of twenty-two district deputy grand masters.

The special report of the committee on foreign correspondence reported adversely to the recognition of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico. There are too many other bodies claiming to govern masonry in that turbulent country to allow even a choice of evils.

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comes from the able hand of P.G.M. A. T. Freed. He gives an excellent summary of the Illinois proceedings for 1911. Referring to the report of the ceremonies of laying the corner stone at LaGrange he says that "there was rather a mixup of things there." This was because knights templar, royal arch masons and the Eastern Star were reported as furnishing an escort to the grand lodge. Brother Freed then proceeds to enlighten the world as follows;

But, by the way, a body of knights templar is not a commandery, but a preceptory. When there were active militant templars in existence each body was presided over by a preceptor, and houses of the order were called preceptories. Bodies of the hospitallers were presided over by commanders; hence the houses of the order were called commanderies. When the order of the temple was suppressed in England its property was ordered to be transferred to hospitallers, and a large part of it was actually so transferred, while a good deal of it was seized by the church and by powerful nobles. There was a good deal of confusion in the public mind as to the title of the transferred houses. By some they were called commanderies; by most they continued to be called preceptories. But there need be no confusion now; all houses of the templars are properly called preceptories.

It would scarcely be expected that a reviewer writing for a grand lodge that excludes all non-masonic bodies from meeting in their lodge rooms would be able to give so much information of one of the excluded organizations.

A MISTAKE AS TO REPRESENTATION.

Our good brother misunderstood the attitude of Grand Master Ashley regarding representation in grand lodge. He says that—

In Illinois some lodges are entitled to one representative in grand lodge, some to two, and some to three. The grand master recommended that each lodge should have but one representative, and this recommendation, after reference to a special committee, was approved and made part of the law.

Each Illinois lodge is entitled to three representatives, the master, senior and junior wardens. Each has one vote. The trouble was that, except in Chicago, where the grand lodge always meets, and lodges adjacent thereto, few lodges have but one representative present. The payment of mileage and per diem is only to the highest in rank. Others cannot afford to attend. Hence, the lodges near Chicago have an undue influence in grand lodge. This inequality Grand Master Ashley sought to correct by fixing representations at one from each lodge. The grand lodge did not agree with the grand master's view and each lodge continues with three representatives. "Masonry and Religion" was fully endorsed.

How Gentlemen Dress.

Brother Freed says that the Illinois "report on foreign correspondence is remarkably well written." However, he shies at one reference to Canada and says that—

He is inclined to start at the resolution adopted by our board of general purposes that "evening dress should be worn only at lodge or grand lodge meetings when held in the evening." Well, Canadian masons see no reason why, in proper places and at proper times, masons should not dress as gentlemen are wont to dress.

In this country there are many excellent masons who can be perfect "gentlemen" without ever donning a "claw-hammer" coat. Many excellent workers would be debarred from lodge work if they were required "to dress as gentlemen are wont to dress." The democracy of masonry requires more than the cut of a coat.

CHANGE THE CONSTITUTION.

Again Brother Freed says that—

He also thinks it "narrow and unreasonable" to refuse the use of lodge rooms to bodies of the Eastern Star. He admits that "the Eastern Star is not masonic and does not claim to be;" and doubtless he knows that the constitution of Canada forbids the use of lodge rooms by non-masonic bodies; but he thinks the constitution ought to be violated because the "good sisters are the wives and sisters and daughters of masons." Well, "let it go at that."

Not so, do not violate the constitution but change it. The report closes with this favorable comment—

There is every evidence throughout this valuable report that masonry in Illinois stands well abreast of the best masonic thought and the best masonic activity in the world.

SOUND AND SENSIBLE.

In concluding an excellent report, Brother Freed says with much force

Another begging scheme which is being pushed to the limit is that of the so-called International Bureau of Switzerland. The ostensible object of the bureau is to secure unity among all masonic bodies throughout the world. Some grand bodies (notably the grand orient of France) have violated the fundamental principles of primitive masonry, have banished the volume of the sacred law from their altars and the name of the great architect of the universe from their ritual, and regular masons have refused to hold fraternal intercourse with them. The gentlemen of the International Bureau hold that this is wrong, and that no matter how far a body calling itself masonic may wander from the ancient path—no matter how Godless may be its teachings—it should still be recognized as a body of the true fold. Every clandestine pretender ought to be welcomed to the great fraternity, and every adventurer with ambition to gratify or a scheme to promote ought to be received with open arms. But all these appeals for "unity" are accompanied by stronger appeals for cash, and masonry appears to be measured by the amount of money contributed to the treasury of the International Bureau.

Grand master, Aubrey White, Toronto; grand secretary, R. L. Gunn. Hamilton.

COLORADO—1912.

124 Lodges.

52nd Annual.

15,532 Members.

The average membership in lodges of the Mountain State is placed at 125. The gain last year was 615. The annual session was held at Denver, September 17 and 18, 1912. Five specials are reported for corner stones, constituting lodges, etc. The Venerable Henry M. Teller, senior past grand master, was present as the representative of Illinois. The death of Andrew Sagendorf, past grand master, is recorded. He was 84 years old. This is the first death in grand lodge circles within five years. Truly the death angel has been merciful.

Grand Master Woodland has been sparing with his dispensations. He refused all to attend church as lodges. Most of the calls for hurry-up work were declined. No decisions of outside importance were made. On recommendation of the committee on fraternal correspondence the Grand Lodge of Porto Rico was given a place in the family. The fact that this island grand lodge recognizes the Scottish Rite work as regular did not deter them from the action taken. They also placed the German

grand lodges on the accredited list. A very interesting and instructive oration was delivered by Bro. Wm. P. Benedict, the grand orator.

The International Masonic Club of London was considered and its great purpose of helping to secure world peace heartily approved.

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of grand lodges was presented for the twenty-eighth time by Bro. Lawrence N. Greenleaf. There were sixty-four grand lodges under his critical analysis. Illinois for 1911 is reviewed. He said that "Grand Master Ashley, in his address, gave a masterly report of the conditions of the craft under his supervision." In referring to the recommendation that lodges under different jurisdictions conduct correspondence through their respective grand masters, he calls the plan "the circumlocution office." Brother Ashley is quoted on "unequal representation" and "masonry and religion." A number of quotations are made from the Illinois report on correspondence for 1911.

LIKES THE IOWA WAY.

In his conclusion Brother Greenleaf discusses the Masonic Home question. He says that—

The question of Masonic Homes is still paramount, and their establishment is so persistently advocated, that few jurisdictions seem able to resist the temptation to indulge in this expensive luxury. Even the smaller grand lodges are inclined to the belief that something is lacking in their equipment, if Masonic Home is not writ large in their annals and set as a beacon in their midst. We have no disposition to question the great good that is being accomplished by many of these institutions, and we have never hesitated to give them full credit for the same in these reports, but Home advocacy has been carried to the limit and it is time to call a halt. Institutional charity is not to be commended to the smaller grand lodges, but rather the Iowa plan with which we are in accord. The remarks of Grand Master Block, under Iowa in this report, should be read by those who are interested in the matter of affording masonic relief in the most practical, helpful and least humiliating manner.

If the Iowa plan is so much superior to the Home, it is singular that so many grand lodges "humiliate" their members by caring for them in comfortable Homes.

A Lodge in Operative Masonry.

Brother Greenleaf gives this interesting comment on operative lodges. He says that—

In our report last year we made brief reference to the claim that a lodge of Operative Masons was still in existence in London, England. While we have seen no allusion to the matter in grand lodge proceedings, we have read several articles on the subject in the masonic press.

It will be recalled that a few years ago Brother Edward Condor, Jr., of England, published a work entitled: "Hole Crafte and Fellowship of Masonrie." in which he set forth the discovery that in the "Mason's Company," of London, there existed early in the seventeenth century a lodge of freemasons attached to and working in harmony with the company.

It was distinct from the operative branch whose members were not in possession of its distinguishing secrets. The tables are turned in the present instance, and it is the Operative Society which claims to be in possession of the secrets for which speculatives may seek in vain.

On the back cover page of the Colorado proceedings are given names and addresses of the officers of two other organizations. Why?

Grand master, George E. Simonton, Denver; grand secretary, Chas. H. Jacobson, Denver.

CONNECTICUT—1913.

110 LODGES.

125th Annual.

24,281 Members.

A neat, modest volume of 237 pages gives the doings of the grand lodge of Connecticut for the past year. Of the membership given above 4.541 pay no dues. Reference was made heretofore to this plan of exempting those who have been masons for 30 years. The injustice of this to other members is so apparent that further comment is needless. A gain of 547 members during the year shows substantial progress.

Nine emergent communications were held for the laying of corner stones and dedication of masonic halls.

At the annual meeting George E. Parsons, who represents Illinois at the Connecticut grand lodge, was present. Justin Holden, grand master, delivered a very excellent address detailing the work of the past year.

The death of Fast Grand Master Charles F. Hitchcock of Illinois is noted.

THE LAW EXPLAINED.

Thirty-eight dispensations were granted for various purposes. But few decisions were thought of sufficient importance to report. One of these was whether it would be proper in making a motion to appoint committees to incorporate the names of the brethren composing the committee. The question was whether the master would be justified in refusing to entertain such a motion. The grand master held that it was

the prerogative of the master to appoint all committees and to be exofficio the chairman of each. For this reason it would not be proper to include the names in making motion for appointment of a committee and the master would be justified in refusing to entertain it. It was further held that a brother suspended for non-payment of dues may petition for reinstatement as often as he desires, not waiting six months as is required in other cases.

GRAND MASTER'S DAY.

A custom peculiar to the Wooden Nutmeg State is to hold "Grand Master's Day" at the Masonic Home. This was reported as being an occasion of much pleasure and importance. In this the order of the Eastern Star took prominent part. In referring to this the grand master says—

The subject of the Home brings me to that of the "Order of the Eastern Star," without which Grand Master's Day would in a great measure lose its interest. The Home shows on every side the good works of their hands.

The address of the worthy grand matron, Mrs. C. Bertha Schussler, was one of the most important features on the program, and well calculated not only to please and gratify those who heard it, but to inspire them to a continuance of good works in behalf of this noble cause. It has been my good fortune to meet the members of quite a number of chapters throughout this jurisdiction during the past year, and am pleased to bear testimony to the sunshine and cheer they bring to us in our moments of relaxation, as well as to their helpfulness in our labors.

TWO REAL OLD ONES.

Connecticut has two lodges whose history may be considered unique. Each has its 150th anniversary. St. John's Lodge No. 3 in Bridgeport, and St John's Lodge No. 4, in Hartford. It seems rather singular to have two lodges of the same name in the same state. There appears to be some charm about St. John which has enabled them to grow and presper so many years.

Under the head of statistics given by the grand secretary the average membership of the 110 lodges is given as 218. This is a pretty high average but in an old state things have become so settled that a steady membership is to be expected.

The committee on grievances found no business before it, indicating a state of great harmony.

REMEMBERED FOR THE GOOD HE HAS DONE.

In appreciation of the long and faithful services of Past Grand Master Frank W. Havens as grand secretary and committee on correspond-

ence a special committee was appointed to recommend a mark of appreciation. This committee reported a resolution giving Brother HAVENS the title of Grand Secretary Emeritus with \$1,000 a year to be paid to him during the remainder of his life. There must be great satisfaction to one on retiring from a position of great responsibility after long service, to be thus remembered. Most Worshipful George A. Kies was made his successor as grand secretary.

An unusual and somewhat questionable feature in grand lodge reports is one giving the names and addresses of the secretaries of bodies claiming to be masonic that are not recognized as legitimate by most of the masonic bodies of the world.

OTHER GRAND LODGES.

The fifth annual review by Most Worshipful Frank W. Havens is brief but comprehensive. It contains but fifty-two pages and is devoted mostly to summarizing the facts. Illinois is reported at more length than most others. Brother Havens quotes what Grand Master Darrah says regarding district deputies grand masters and gives his hearty approval.

In referring to the report of the grand secretary, Brother Cutter is referred to as Isaac "Cutter." This is probably a typographical error but it makes Brother Cutter look rather queer all the same. Brother Havens quotes what this correspondent said last year in reviewing Connecticut regarding the thirty year masons and says "this is true and Brother Barlow for some time objected to the rule, but the grand lodge at each annual session follows the old committee and re-adopts the exemptions."

ABOUT FREDERIC SPEED.

Brother Havens, under Mississippi refers at length to the death of Bro. Frederic Speed. Having been long and intimately associated with Brother Speed in the work of correspondence Brother Havens speaks with unusual feeling and appreciation. Three poetic selections are given. One of these is as follows—

He needs no slab of Parian marble, With its white and ghastly head, To tell wanderers in the valley The virtues of the dead.
Let the lily be his tombstone, And the dew drops pure and white, The epitaph the angels write In the stillness of the night.

Grand master, Wilbur S. Comstock, East Haddam; grand secretary, George A. Kies, Hartford.

CUBA-1912.

73 Lodges.

53rd Annual.

3,038 Members.

The proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Cuba are printed in the Spanish language and it is not easy to have a suitable translation or review. The following is taken from the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of New York and gives some information that may be valuable to Illinois masons.

This grand lodge was founded in 1859. At one time three sovereign grand lodges existed on the island; they were united on December 24, 1901.

Pennsylvania chartered 7, Louisiana 3, and South Carolina 2 subordinate lodges in Cuba in 1804. These united to form the Spanish Grand Lodge of the York Rite of Cuba, March 27, 1818. Under Ferdinand VIII of Spain the lodges were driven out of existence through persecution, although two managed to survive, and, with a third, chartered by South Carolina, at Santiago de Cuba, united to form the present grand lodge, December 5, 1859. In 1885 this body organized the Grand Lodge of Porto Rico.

The proceedings of this grand lodge are very uncertain in their arrival. It is much regretted that it is impossible for the Illinois reviewer to give a satisfactory report.

Grand master, Aurelio Miranda, Havana; grand secretary, Carlos G. Charles, Havana.

DELAWARE—1912.

22 Lodges.

107TH ANNUAL.

3,285 Members.

The annual session was held at Wilmington, October 2 and 3, 1912. A gain of sixty-one in membership shows some progress, though the number of lodges remains at twenty-two. In so old a state and with only a little over 200,000 population, large increase, either in lodges or in membership, cannot be expected. The book of proceedings of 183 pages is tasty and attractive in appearance. No special sessions of the grand lodge are reported for the year. Illinois was unrepresented. No great masonic questions affecting our grand lodge suffered by the absense of our diplomat. The grand master and grand secretary of New Jersey were present and presented greetings from Delaware's near neighbor.

THEY HAVE A HOME.

A Masonic Home was dedicated during the afternoon of the first day. The Home is located near Wilmington. An elaborate ceremony was presented and is printed in full in the proceedings. Addresses were made by Charles A. Hill and P.G.M. Josiah W. Ewan, of New Jersey.

An excellent picture of the Home shows a most attractive retreat for the needy. It is not large but evidently ample for the limited needs of little Delaware. There are 10½ acres of good land, a large stone mansion, stone barn, suitable out-buildings, a fine orchard and a truck garden. The grand lodge paid \$10,500 for the property, \$3.178.06 being from its treasury. The balance was given by the masons of Delaware through the lodges. It was provided that each candidate, in addition to the regular fee for initiation, pay \$5 toward the maintenance of the Home. A yearly per capita tax of \$1 is also required.

The grand master does not report any decisions. A new code has just been distributed, "placing before the brethren the law in so concise a manner" that no need of construction was found necessary.

On recommendation of the committee on foreign correspondence, Porto Rico and York Grand Lodge of Mexico, were recognized. Before the session was over, however, the vote regarding Mexico was reconsidered and the matter postponed for one year. The present turbulence in the republic as well as in fraternal circles made our eastern brethren cautious.

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Was written by P.G.M. HARRY J. GUTHRIE, chairman of the committee. Arkansas crowded Alabama out of its place at the head of the list as it would be placed alphabetically. No review of Illinois is presented. Many other grand lodges are missing. Brother GUTHRIE explains the omission in the following note.

To our chagrin, at the moment of handing the full text of our review to the printer at the close of grand lodge, we discovered that about one-half of our work, consisting of reviews of many of the early meeting grand lodges, was missing, a misfortune for which we cannot account, except that in the refurnishing and rearranging of our library the papers were inadvertently gathered with discarded reports and papers and thrown out to be burned. We have endeavored to replace the missing work, but it is too great a task to hope to accomplish, very much to our regret. We ask the pardon of our brethren at home and abroad, promising to give a double-header next year.

The "double-header next year" will preserve the record but much will be rather stale reading.

Grand master, Edward G. Walls, Smyrna; grand secretary, Virginius V. Harrison, Wilmington.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—1912.

30 Lodges.

102ND ANNUAL.

9.317 MEMBERS.

It is a pleasure to review the work of the grand lodge located at the seat of government of this nation. Though necessarily the numbers are small, yet the work done is of such cosmopolitan character that interest is added to its proceedings.

Because of the large number of men from the various states who are members of congress and hold federal positions scarcely a session of grand lodge is held without one or more distinguished visitors. Owing to the fact that most of the lodges are located in the City of Washington, the grand lodge finds it convenient and profitable to hold frequent sessions. These usually begin at 7 p. m. and are concluded on the same evening.

The session held March 9 was devoted to the exemplification of the degrees under the direction of the chairman of the committee on works and lectures.

At a special meeting held April 10 the grand lodge laid the cornerstone of the new building of the University Club. The grand master on this occasion presented the President of the United States, who made a brief address explaining the purpose of the club. As President Taft is himself a university man, he would speak with propriety and as one having authority.

A QUESTIONABLE SERVICE.

A serious question arises in the minds of those who are inclined to stick close to masonic landmarks and traditions as to the propriety of a grand lodge laying the corner-stone of any but a strictly public or masonic building. This club is neither. It extends its functions and privileges to its members. In Illinois, the grand master has raised the question of the propriety of officiating except at masonic buildings.

He takes a rather restricted view, but certainly the appearance in public to lay a corner-stone for a purely social club is going to the other extreme.

Since the days of the construction of the federal capitol when George Washington, as a mason, laid its corner-stone it has been the custom for masons to lay corner-stones of public buildings. To conduct these ceremonies for a club is to lend the name of masonry to advertise a strictly private purpose. Surely this cannot be in keeping with the scope and purpose of masonry.

CAN'T MEET IN BUILDING WITH SALOON.

At the third communication of grand lodge held in September action was taken regarding liquor saloons.

The following resolution was adopted-

That no constituent lodge of this grand lodge shall hold its communications in any building or premises where a public bar is maintained for the sale or dispensing of intoxicating liquors or beverages, or derive profit by lease or rental from, or own, any such building or premises; provided that a lodge shall be exempt from the provisions of this resolution during the present term of an existing lease or rental of a building or premises owned by it and so used, but not after the expiration of such lease or term of rental.

In the argument of the committee presenting this resolution the following was presented.

The present resolution does not propose to take from the constituent lodges in this jurisdiction the right of each to pass upon the moral fitness of those seeking membership, but leaves each lodge to be the judge in the expectation that each will maintain the high standard called for in the teachings of the craft. Unquestionably, it seems to your committee, a lodge should not be permitted to derive revenue even indirectly from traffic in intoxicating liquors or beverages, and furthermore, the meeting places of lodges should be surrounded by the most wholesome atmosphere and elevating influences.

Surely no one can find fault with the logic of this conclusion.

The annual meeting of the grand lodge was held December 18.

In the mention of masonic dead of other jurisdictions appears the name of Charles F. Hitchcoc $\hat{\kappa}$, past grand master of Illinois.

Attention is called to the fact "that the Grand Lodge of Iowa was forced within a period of a little over four months to mourn the death of four of its past grand masters."

Completing the Home.

In his address the grand master says, "Without doubt the most important masonic action taken during the year by this jurisdiction is the effort that has been made to raise the money necessary to complete the buildings for the Masonic and Eastern Star Homes." This work is progressing most satisfactorily by the joint efforts of the masons and members of the Eastern Star.

The grand master found it necessary to make but two decisions. These are of strictly local significance.

No Such Thing as Masonic Insurance.

There is in the District of Columbia a life insurance organization classed as masonic. It is in no sense a part of the work of the grand lodge or masonry in general. There has been much damage done in the past by so-called masonic insurance organizations. Reproach has been brought on the craft by reason of the poor management of these concerns. This has gone to such an extent that in Illinois no mason is permitted to use the word "mason" or "masonic" in any business, except in the publication of masonic literature. The so-called Masonic Temple in Chicago was never in any sense masonic, except in name. By reason of the intricacies of business management many were misled and masonry has been injured by reason of this.

Fortunately the masonic insurance organization of the District of Columbia had a true conception of life insurance and based its premium upon the legal reserve plan called old line insurance.

The grand master reports that under this plan the growth has been steady, healthy and continuous. No matter how excellent its plan may be, there is no reason for masons becoming members of an organization calling itself masonic and limiting its membership to masons. There can be no such thing as masonic life insurance.

A most satisfactory condition prevails in the fact that neither the jurisprudence nor grievance committee was called upon to take any action. Matters of dispute are happily absent.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP.

A resolution was passed conferring upon Robert Freke Gould, the distinguished historian of England, and Chetwode Crawley, grand treasuses of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, honorary membership in the capitol city grand lodge. There does not appear to have been any effort made to place upon these distinguished masons any "phony" titles of distinction.

The Grand Lodge of Iowa some time ago was not so mindful of the propriety of this. In making Brother Crawley an honorary member the rank of "past grand senior warden" was given him. How any man can be a past grand senior warden who has not filled that position is not easily discerned.

The closing of the year is found in a meeting held on St. John's Day, December 27. The only business of this meeting was to receive a report of the committees on jurisprudence and on grand master's address presented a week previous at the annual.

The only other business was the election and installation of grand officers.

HIS THIRTEENTH.

The report on foreign correspondence comes again from the hand of Past Grand Master George W. Baird. This is his thirteenth review and is quite up to the high standard which has marked his previous productions.

The proceedings for Illinois for 1912 are considered.

Referring to the list of regular lodges printed and sent out to all the constituent lodges of Illinois, Brother Baird gives his hearty approval. He says—

This is a matter of importance to all of us and well worthy of imitation, but while the list is *au fait* for Illinois it would not answer for all, as grand lodges are not yet in accord on certain questionable jurisdictions.

ILLINOIS MODELS.

Again he says-

The committee on grievances and appeals presented another model report. It prints enough and not too much. The brethren get all the information they need, while the profane gets but little.

In referring to the Illinois review for 1912 he gives the following.

The report is excellent in every respect. He gives his readers an excellent account of the workings of the order, and in clear, lucid language. The author has a happy way of inviting attention to an error without offending or irritating, and when he praises he compliments but never flatters.

It is gratifying to know that our brother is pleased with the efforts of this writer to present to Illinois masons the interesting features of other grand lodges.

Again he says—

Referring to the banquet which terminated our centenary services he notes some of the items of expense, thus: "Two items were religious services \$191.30, and banquet \$1,030.53. There was some religion and evidently a big feed." He is quite right. Our kinds of religion are not expensive, but "the cost of living" is up in G, which opposing political parties have their way of explaining; we cannot.

In referring to the small net increase of members Brother BAIRD explains that a great many members are "government appointees, whose tenure of office is contingent on the administration, and when there is to be a shift of wind they trim their sails accordingly." In other words, they are in danger of losing their employment.

Out west we would say that the membership is seriously affected when they turn the "rascals out."

ROBBINS NOT WRONG.

Brother Baird refers to criticism of Brother Robbins with reference to Mexico and in that connection says—

Two years ago we invited attention to an alleged inconsistency in the correspondence of the late Doctor Robbins, past grand master of Illinois, in his attitude toward Mexican masonry, but finding we were in error, we take this opportunity not only to correct our statement but to express regret. Doctor Robbins had his faults, but inconsistency was not one of them. He was much opposed to "Orients," and, in fact to all masonry not in direct line (Apostolic succession?) from the Grand Lodge of England. While we sometimes disagreed with him, we ever held him in high esteem, particularly because he had the courage to point out errors and combat them. He did an immense amount of good for masonry.

It is gratifying to Illinois masons to understand the high place held by Brother Robbins in the estimation of the world.

The following will be accepted as an apology to Past Grand Master Ashley in referring to him as a gallant old fellow—

Our esteemed contemporary humorously twits us for referring to Past Grand Master Ashley as a gallant old fellow, but intimates he has passed three-score and ten. It reminds us of the story of the dwarf whose hands were cold and who was crying. A fair Quakeress came to him and said, "Little boy, what's the matter with thee?" He replied his hands were so cold he was unable to button his collar, and the Quakeress at once performed that office for him but got a glimpse of his face, and asked, "Little boy, how old art thou?" And taking his hand from his face, he said, "only seventy."

NAMES AND FACTS SUPPRESSED.

Brother Baird gives a most excellent reason for suppressing names and details of irregularities of the brethren in various grand lodges. The following will fully explain.

Our good brother, while seeming to agree that too much scandal appears in many appeal and grievance reports adds, "But a wise reporter will not invite attention to them." He possibly has forgotten, or did not know, that a renegade mason in Maryland had already printed a number of "those horrible examples," and had circulated them broadcast; so this reporter, wisely or not, uses his good offices to diminish, as far as he can, the printing of the "horrible examples," which are thus uttered by the best possible authority and which we cannot deny.

This fully confirms the ideas of the committee on appeals and grievances in Illinois in suppressing that which can be of no use to masons and which will give malicious outsiders room for criticism.

CONDEMNED BY CATHOLICS.

In his conclusion the reviewer quotes a very interesting paragraph from the Catholic Truth Society of London. This organization has published a cyclopedia for Catholics. It says—

"Freemasonry: a secret society, which professes by means of symbolic language and certain ceremonies of initiation to lay down a code of morality formed on brotherhood of humanity only; now a most powerful body, spread throughout the world, having for its principal object opposition to Christianity. This aim was naturally long kept hidden and 'disguised' under the misleading title and show of philanthropy, so that many well-meaning persons, especially in England, have been deluded into joining it. Some date its origin as far back as the building of Solomon's temple; others connect it with the medieval masonic guilds, or the suppressed knights templar. It has been repeatedly condemned by the holy see."

WAR DEPARTMENT RETREATED,

Attention is called to the ratification by the war department of the order prohibiting the engraving upon monuments and stones in a national cemetery of masonic signs and symbols. A bill was introduced in congress to permit such inscriptions, but before it reached the stage of enactment the secretary of war had modified the order so as to permit the placing of such inscriptions as would show the highest rank or degree held by the decedent in the great fraternity.

It is conceded that a grand master has no power to set aside a by-law of a constituent lodge so as to permit a meeting to be held earlier than the time fixed. This ought to be apparent to anyone, else by-laws would be in vain. Grand masters have no power to violate or interfere with valid by-laws of a constituent lodge.

Grand master, Charles E. Baldwin, Washington, D. C.; grand secretary, Arvine W. Johnston, Washington, D. C., Masonic Temple.

ENGLAND—1913.

2,843 LODGES.

FOUNDED 1717.

210,000 MEMBERS. (ESTIMATED.)

The truth of the proverbial saying "you can't get blood out of a turnip" is thoroughly demonstrated in trying to get anything of special interest to the craft of Illinois out of the proceedings of the good "mother Grand Lodge" of England. The quarterly pamphlets issued are mere collections of names and addresses and titles. The reviewer of New York puts it as follows;

Quarterly meetings and many extra meetings are held in England. Much business is transacted, much charity bestowed, but nothing to report—no statistics are published. Many pages are taken up in enumerating the names, official and masonic titles, etc., of a long array of office-bearers, and much other space in a verbosity of parliamentary language, foreign to us and unusual. Much space is also occupied in eulogies of members of the royal family and nobility. One remarkable thing about the mother grand lodge is the methodical and accurate way they transact business here, though occasionally very verbose, but with precision and care. The following shows our brethren on the other side in good light:

"You may not be all aware that the late Captain Scott was a Freemason, having been initiated in the Drury Lane Lodge No. 2127. It is not known whether or no his very noble companions were any of them members of our order, but they were assisting him in his great work, which was carried out, not only for the good of the English-speaking race, but for that of the world at large. Captain Scott and that gallant band have, unfortunately, left behind in distressed circumstances, those who were dependent on them, and I feel confident that this grand lodge will be only too ready to pay heed to our late brother's last great appeal, made in what we may describe as his vault. With these few words I beg to move: 'That grand lodge contribute the sum of 100 guineas to the fund being raised by the Lord Mayor for the benefit of the relations of the victims of the recent Antarctic disaster.'

The foregoing is cordially endorsed as the real view to be taken of the Grand Lodge of England. It is much to be regretted that we do not have fuller developments of the business as it is transacted. One other paragraph from the reviewer of New York will be of interest.

Venerable with age and powerful in its membership and its influence, and with English thoroughness, it works along in masonry. We hear the morning drum beat following the sun, and, keeping company with the hours, circles the globe with one continual melody of good will to all mankind.

Outside of the proceedings an interesting event has taken place over there within the last year. The distinguished historian, ROBERT FREKE GOULD, has added one more to his already valuable list of masonic productions. It is "Collected Essays and Papers Relating to Freemasonry." Knowing the ability and painstaking of the writer, this book will undoubtedly be most welcome in the masonic world.

Grand master, Duke of Connaught; pro grand master, Lord Ampthill; grand secretary, Edward Letchworth, Freemasons' Hall, London.

FLORIDA-1913.

221 Lodges.

84TH ANNUAL.

10,794 Members.

A very well printed book of 383 pages gives the record of masonry in Florida for the year 1912. The annual was held at Jacksonville January 21 to 23, 1913. An increase of twelve new lodges and 663 members indicates a healthy growth. The session was presided over by the grand master, Albert W. Gilchrist, who is also governor.

This state of alligators, everglades and flowers has a distinction rarely conferred upon any commonwealth. To have a grand master who is also governor of the state at the same time, is most unusual.

A list of representatives of other grand lodges is given. Illinois' ambassador was not present.

Grand Master Gilchrist's address was a plain, but business-like document. Little attempt was made at rhetoric or show of words. He notes that no grand officer has died during the year. The death of Past Grand Master Charles F. Hitchcock of Illinois is reported.

MANY DECISIONS.

Under the head of Decisions and Rulings the grand master-governor was quite prolific. Thirty-five cases were reported. Most of these were mere construction of local law and are of little interest outside of that state.

On the liquor question Florida has decided opinions and does not hesitate to exploit them.

It is held that a bookkeeper and cashier in a liquor house is not eligible for membership.

In another instance it was decided that the law was not retroactive and that a man engaged in the liquor business when the law was enacted could retain membership. In the case in point, however, a man who went out of the liquor business and then afterward entered, was held to be incligible for membership.

It was ruled in another case that a man who was not an American citizen, but who complied with all other qualifications for membership could be admitted.

MASONIC BURIAL DENIED NON-AFFILIATE.

The question of whether a dimitted mason could be buried with masonic ceremonies came to the attention of the grand master. He held that it was regular to do so. The committee on jurisprudence, however, disagreed and the grand lodge sustained the committee's report. Grand Master Gilchrist puts his argument on the basis that it is the duty of every mason to relieve the distressed. The family being in distress and desiring the services of the lodge, he argues, brought it within this provision. Evidently the grand lodge felt that this was rather dangerous ground and sustained the action of the committee that an unaffiliated mason cannot receive a masonic burial.

A man who had joined an organization, claimed to be masonic but one that was clandestine, sought membership in a local lodge. The grand master held that, no matter how good his intentions were and how he had been deceived, he was not a mason and could not be accepted as such.

During the absence of the grand master at numerous times the deputy grand master, George B. Glover, performed the duties. His report is at some length and he indulges in nine decisions.

Little reason can be seen why the grand master or deputy grand master should report the mere routine of advice to the various lodges in construing the simple provisions of the law. The code should be sufficiently clear and complete so as to preclude the necessity for interference with it.

Two Good Institutions.

The grand master congratulates himself upon securing to the state two institutions to care for unfortunates. As governor, he recommended to the legislature the passage of an act providing for the establishment of a hospital for indigent crippled children of Florida. This act passed and the hospital was established. He says—"as a mason, I have been largely instrumental in securing the foundation for a future masonic home and orphanage." He shows that the sum of almost \$20,000 has been collected and it will not be long until the Home, he so much desires, will be a reality.

It seems that Florida began at the wrong end by indulging in the erection of an expensive masonic temple. This absorbed all of their resources and the building was ornamented by a very considerable debt. It has been difficult for the grand lodge to secure funds to construct and maintain a suitable home for masonic dependents. It is looked forward now to a time when this condition will be changed.

WHAT IS A "PARTICULAR" LODGE?

One great peculiarity of language is found running all through the proceedings of this grand lodge. In Illinois our lodges are called "constituent." In some other grand jurisdictions they are designated as "subordinate." In Florida they are called "particular" lodges. Just in what particular they are "particular" does not appear. In all reports and proceedings they are designated as "particular" lodges. This is not meant as criticism but attention is called to this peculiarity when examining the work of grand bodies for the entire year.

On Tuesday evening the session was devoted to conferring of degrees.

In order to secure greater uniformity and make sure of those teaching the esoteric work a resolution was adopted which limits instruction.

AUTHORIZED INSTRUCTORS ONLY.

The following is the resolution:

Resolved, That no one but the members of the grand lodge committee on work, the district deputy grand masters, and those duly authorized by the grand lodge committee on work shall be permitted to teach the esoteric work of this grand lodge, and no certificate of authority be given to teach our work to anyone who is not a member of some regular lodge in Florida, and nothing in this resolution shall be construed to prevent a master of a particular lodge from calling to his assistance any well informed brother to assist under his direction in conferring the degrees and instructing candidates.

The practice of representatives attending the first session of the grand lodge and then seeing the sights of the city is not confined to Florida.

A resolution was adopted providing that the roll shall be called at the opening of grand lodge and then again on the last day. Those failing to be present and answer their names at roll call shall forfeit all per diem for the day called.

No Smoking in Lodge Session.

This southern jurisdiction is in line with the attitude of Grand Master Darrah in his recommendation last year. It was resolved that

"smoking in the lodge room during business or conferring of degrees is undignified and should therefore be prohibited by the grand master." This certainly is a humane provision. It is not fair to punish those to whom tobacco is offensive, by allowing others to enjoy the selfish pleasure during a session of the lodge.

The oration was delivered by Bro. J. M. Caldwell. No manuscript was furnished and same was not published.

It was proposed to limit the length of time that the grand master, deputy grand master, senior grand warden and junior grand warden, could serve to one year. The resolution was not adopted. The reason given was that it is the right of the grand lodge to elect anyone it sees fit by a majority voting.

By this action the grand lodge continues to remain free, refusing to tie its hands by any rule or regulation of limitation.

THE REVIEW OF GRAND LODGES.

The annual review of grand lodges comes again from the skilled hand of Past Grand Master Silas B. Wright, chairman of the committee on masonic correspondence. In his introduction he says—

In presenting our report we feel that we should explain that we think it our duty to present masonic information of interest to the craft, but more particularly to the brethren of Florida.

These reports seem to have been designed as a kind of a post graduate course in the world of masonry with the members of the round table as the faculty.

We have tried to present accurate information as to the accomplishments of the craft in the other states and to show what the masonic institution stands for in the world at large.

This gives a good view of the scope and purpose of the work of the committee on correspondence. The primary object of providing for a review of the proceedings of grand lodges is to give information to the members of the craft in the state where the report is presented.

ANTIDOTE IN POETRY.

Brother Wright refers to petty differences among brethren. He gives this remedy for such irritations;

"If I knew you and you knew me,
'Tis seldom we would disagree;
But, never having yet clasped hands,
Both often fail to understand
That each intends to do what's right,
And treat each other 'honor bright.'
How little to complain there'd be
If I knew you and you knew me."

Brother Wright is rather lavish in his treatment of Illinois. Not receiving the proceedings for 1911 in time for review last year, he gives this and then follows it with the outline of our business for 1912. Regarding the work of Brother Ashley he says that "it shows him to have been an exceedingly busy man and in no sense a drone in the hive of masonry."

THINKS SOCIAL ACTIVITY ESSENTIAL.

This statement from Brother Ashley is quoted—"While it is desirable that the grand master attend social functions it is by no means essential." In reply to this he says—

In this the writer of this report respectfully begs to differ with him. We think that it is not only desirable but really essential that the grand master should attend as many of the social gatherings as he possibly can and in every way go out of his way, if necessary, to further the social side of masonry. Our experience extending over a period of over twenty-six years in the grand lodge, has been that nothing has produced better results than time and a reasonable amount of money spent in social gatherings, and at as many of them as possible with the ladies, wives and daughters of the members.

Admitting all this and admitting the importance and value of social intercourse, it yet remains, as Brother Ashley said, that it is by no means essential. In a jurisdiction of more than 800 lodges it is a physical impossibility for a grand master to devote much time to social relations.

Proxy NOT ON PAY ROLL.

Regarding the master of a lodge giving his proxy to a member who is not a warden, Florida has made this rule.

The actual installed officer of highest rank present shall be considered as the ranking officer present and shall cast the ballot of any absent members and shall be entitled to the pay. Thus the actual warden, senior or junior, when present, draws the pay though the master's proxy may be present.

Brother Wright refers to the transfer of membership in Illinois as though it were something new. This is a mistake. The law adopted in 1911 was a mere modification of the system of transfer that has been in force for years.

In reference to the session of 1912 he says-

The address of the grand master covers twenty-two pages of the record, briefly and ably presenting a large number of matters requiring attention. He wisely refrains from padding the record with unnecessary detail, leaving them for the grand secretary and committees.

QUOTES ILLINOIS COPIOUSLY.

Very large draughts are made on the proceedings of Illinois in the way of quotations. Reference to district deputy grand masters, by Grand

Master Darrah, is quoted in full. Also he gives the comments relative to laying corner-stones of churches and other buildings not strictly masonic.

Concerning the grand master's address Brother Wright further says—His report upon cipher rituals is well worth reading and would be reproduced here except that the writer does not think it wise to publish some of the statements made therein. We advise all who can get to the grand lodge library in the office of the grand secretary to get the book and read it on page 18. The committee to whom the matter was referred report recommending that the vigorous measures adapted to stamp out the evil be approved and urged that the possession or use of one be declared a masonic offense requiring prompt and severe punishment.

Brother Darrah's attitude toward smoking in open lodge is quoted with hearty approval.

Also the entire discussion of grand lodge work covering more than a page in fine print is given and thoroughly endorsed. The reviewer says—"Past Grand Master Alexander H. Bell delivered an oration which is not only instructive, but was declared eloquent and ordered printed in the proceedings."

He then gives a number of selections taken from the oration.

THE TEMPLE VS. THE HOME.

The Florida correspondent speaks approvingly of the correspondence report for 1912. In referring to the comment made on the indebtedness on their temple he says—

He seems to think that our \$08,000 debt on our temple is perhaps an embarrassing adornment but he fails to note the report of our trustees showing that the income from the building is paying in addition to all expenses of maintenance and interest on the bonds a large sinking fund for the final payment of the debt. We do not find the load at all heavy and are indulging in "air castles" as to the good times coming when we will be using the income from our grand lodge property to maintain our Masonic Home which we propose to build and endow.

This writer does not refer to the affairs of Florida with any view of finding fault or criticising, but merely calls attention to the higher duty of providing for the dependents in masonry before indulging in "castles in air," which carry with them so often a debt that is absolutely prohibitive in the construction of homes.

THE CORRECT VIEW.

Brother Wright refers to documentary evidence as spreading. He says that—

The intention in Florida is never to permit the admission of a visitor upon the certificate, but, if he holds a certificate or card from a regular

lodge, the committee is then safe to examine him and permit him to prove in the regular way "that he has been there."

It is not expected that any document that may be issued would be all that would be required. This is only in addition to "strict trial and due examination."

THE WHITE APRON RATHER THAN THE RED FEZ.

In concluding his very excellent review Brother Wright touches upon a subject of interest. This refers to the relation that other organizations based upon masonry bear to it. He says—

To be a mason and hail fellow well met and to have others call him "brother" is to many aspirants the height of their ambition in masonry. They rush through until they wear the fez and claim to be a "shriner."

What do such know of masonry? It were better that, as in some continental countries, there were a considerable interval of time between the degrees and that the candidate be required to know something of the meaning of what he hears and sees.

Keep the blue lodge ever before you, much as you may admire the rest of the degrees. Your faithful discharge of your duty to God and man is amply inculcated in the first three degrees.

We do not decry the value of the tenets and teachings of the various branches of masonry. They are all valuable and teach important lessons. They should not be considered as a detraction from or allowed to overshadow the blue lodge.

In the above he refers to the "various branches" of masons. By what sort of stretch of imagination would our brother include the shrine and commandery as branches of masonry. These institutions are highly prized by those who are members, but that they are masonic is not claimed by the most ardent apostle of "templarism" or "shrineism." The fact that they do not accept for membership any who are not masons does not make either a masonic organization.

Grand master, George B. Glover, Monticello; grand secretary, Wilber P. Webster, Jacksonville.

GEORGIA—1912.

634 Lodges.

126TH ANNUAL.

36,806 MEMBERS.

The grand lodge session was held in Macon, October 29, 30, 1912. Through the strenuous efforts of Grand Master Napier one day was cut off and a saving in expense of \$5,000 was made. Judging from a distance the business was as well and thoroughly done in two days as it would have been in three.

There were 430 "past masters present not representing lodges." Each of these was paid mileage and per diem. The record shows 659 representatives of lodges. Here, surely is an anomaly. The past masters, representing nobody but themselves, constitute one-third of the grand lodge. A short time ago the question of cutting out this surplusage was submitted to the lodges of the state and by an overwhelming vote they were to be let out. The lodges could only advise. They could not change the law. When the vote was taken in grand lodge these P.M.'s, with the aid of some representatives, ignored the result of the referendum in the lodges.

A BRILLIANT ADDRESS.

The annual address of Grand Master Napier sparkled with literary gems. His opening will show something of this. The grand master says—

Lying upon a purple velvet cushion in a glass case in the Imperial Museum at Constantinople may be seen a delicately molded tongue of gold. It was found in a layer of ruins at Gezer, supposed to be ancient Jericho.

This silent "tongue" yet tells to us a story. It tells of an age when gold was abundant in the land, for only where the precious metals are plentiful are they used in large quantities. There was a time when Solomon "made silver to be in Jerusalem as stones." This "tongue of gold," containing one thousand dollars' worth of the precious metal, tells of "big business" in the land of Palestine.

This "tongue of gold" is supposed to be the "wedge of gold" which Achan took and hid, and for which sin he was condignly punished. The "tongue of gold' then tells of the "root' of many evils—it warns us of cupidity and graft. It also speaks of the end—the dreadful end—of a city and a nation, whose only monument is the ruins of Jericho, snuggling up under the cliffs of Benjamin from under which a spring, called the fountain of Elisha, bursts boldly, and sends its babbling waters down into the plain. In telling of the decadence and fall of Jericho and the cities of the plain, the "tongue of gold" grows eloquent. It tells of the time when its nation was poor and virtuous, then prosperous and virile—two ascending stages; then of a time when the nation

became rich and arrogant, luxurious and pusillanimous-two descending stages!

In our own country today we have made the ascent of the two first stages, which has marked every civilization. Are we about to begin the descent of the other historic stages? Let the "tongue of gold" from ancient Jericho warn us of the danger of arrogance and luxury! Let the teachings of masonry serve to keep our great country in the ways of simplicity, and truth, humility and civic righteousness!

I do not allude to this "tongue of gold" because there is a tale of woe to relate. On the contrary, my message is optimistic—it is roseate with renewed promises of a goodly increase in the prosperity, influence and stability on the part of an enduring craft!

FEWER QUESTIONS.

The grand master reports that fewer questions came to him than formerly. He holds that a man of illegitimate birth is eligible, if elected, to take the degrees. This is on the principle that "masonry throughout is on the level."

A minister receiving a salary of \$2,000 did not come under the law exempting from payment of dues on account of poverty. Ministers, as such, are under the same obligation to help support the lodge as other members.

To confer more than one degree at any meeting of the lodge a dispensation is required from the grand master.

In answering a question as to songs and prayers in lodges, containing sectarian references, the grand master in the main is able and sound. However, he goes to an extent that leads to question. He says—

In a masonic lodge, the language used in our worship should be such that every mason present—be he Mohammedan, Buddhist, Shintoist, Zoroastrian, Scythian, Greek, Jew or Christian—can join with equal devotion and freedom in worship to the Great Architect of the Universe.

As applied to Jew or Christian this is correct, but masons would scarcely feel like avoiding the religious corns of Buddhist, Mohammedan, Shintoist, etc. The only masons recognized by Georgia and Illinois are those that place the Bible on their altars and make it "the great light in Masonry."

MUST HAVE LEGITIMATE ORIGIN.

All legitimate lodges in Oriental countries are chartered by some regular grand lodge like England, Ireland or Scotland. France abolished Gop and the Bible from its lodges to avoid offending the atheists and religious nondescripts of that land. Legitimate masonic grand bodies, the world over, without hesitation, made France anathema by ex-com-

munication. It is all right, Brother Napier, to be broad and tolerant but this can be carried so far as to destroy the foundations on which masonry stands.

The death of Bro. A. Q. Moody was reported. He has for eleven years written the able reviews of grand lodges for Georgia.

The members of the Eastern Star are raising \$5,000 for higher and more practical education of the children in the Masonic Home. The grand master highly commends their work.

Georgia has a law providing for the giving of a certificate of masonic standing to the widow at the time of the death of her husband. This is an excellent provision. It would be well for Illinois to follow the lead of our southern sister in this respect.

LITTLE SPENT FOR CHARITY.

The grand master shows that in twenty-five years the grand lodge has received \$631,995.66. He then adds—

We have erected the Masonic Home costing between thirty and forty thousand dollars, but this was erected on land given to us.

It is true that we have maintained the Home since its erection, but is it not a remarkably poor showing to have had in our hands six hundred and thirty-two thousands of dollars, and in the couse of a quarter of a century to have only invested the sum of \$40,000 out of that very large sum? In other words, we have saved less than ten per cent of our income.

We give to charity but a bare \$1,000 per year. This year that sum was not quite sufficient to furnish a modicum of relief to the descrying applicants for assistance. But an order like ours should be more liberal in its beneficence. Suppose we had a vested fund, which we had saved out of our collections from the past twenty-five years, and we had for expenditure for charitable purposes the interest or income on that fund?

He considers only that spent for others saved. A good notion is that. Many grand and constituent lodges are selfish in the use of their funds. They build for themselves temples for show and for their own comfort and convenience until they think they are too poor to care for the needy. Brother Napier truly says that "Masonry has no business accumulating money, except for the good we can do with it."

THE MASONIC HOME.

There are forty-seven persons in the Masonic Home. Of these, there are two men, eleven women, thirteen boys and twenty-one girls. A feeling exists that the adults and children should be cared for in separate places. Experience has demonstrated this to be the true position. The

grand master believes it would be better to care for the older people in homes in localities where they live. It costs them \$190 per head per annum for those in the Home. He thinks it could be done cheaper outside. This might be true of the healthier and less needy, but the sick and the extremely aged would either be neglected or the cost would be enormous. The ordinary family has no facilities for caring for those who are helpless. The Masonic Home can do it better and the cost is moderate.

Efforts to have a cipher came to naught. It was decided that all such, with books purporting to be rituals, were clandestine and illegitimate. Persons using them were violating their obligations and should be expelled.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Comes from the able hand of Bro. Charles L. Bass, who was appointed as the successor of Brother Moody, who died in April, 1911. Brother Bass approaches his task with becoming modesty. He needs to make no apologies, for his work is well done. He is a fitting successor to a good correspondent. Illinois is well treated. He quotes freely from Grand Master Ashley. "Masonry and Religion" is given in full with hearty approval. Of the oration of Grand Orator W. W. Wilson, the reviewer says that he "delivered a polished and finished address."

Before completing this, permit expression of the wonder, why the miserable green cover was made to enclose so good and tasty a book of proceedings. It has no symbolic significance. It is hard to read and is bilious in its suggestion. The grand secretary must have let the printer "slip one over on him" by using some refuse cover paper.

Grand master, Robert L. Colding, Savannah; grand secretary, W. A. Wollhin, Macon.

HOLLAND-1912.

IOI LODGES.

Organized 1756.

4,600 Members.

Owing to the fact that the proceedings of Holland are printed in a language unknown to the writer, it becomes necessary to draw upon the wisdom of someone else. The correspondents of New York have divided their work in such a way that the foreign speaking grand bodies are translated and reviewed by those familiar with the various languages. In view of this the liberty is taken of using the review of Holland as it appears in the New York proceedings for 1013. It is as follows;

This grand lodge was constituted December 25, 1756. Its jurisdiction covers one provincial grand lodge each in the East Indies, Cape Colony and the Transvaal, being sovereign altogether over 103 St. John's lodges. Of these 52 are located in Holland, 32 in South Africa, 17 in the East Indies, and 2 in the West Indies. Besides, there are 4 masonic circles. The total membership foots up to about 4,600.

In a circular letter the executive discussed the question whether it be desirable for the fraternity or the lodges, as such, to participate in public social undertakings. The opinion was expressed that the participation of individual brethren in the cause of social justice, and their activity in societies dealing with social problems, were to be distinctly encouraged.

The grand lodge met on June 15 and 16, 1912.

At the meeting of June 15, which was of the nature of a conference, full reference was made by a number of participants to the present problems of Freemasonry and the condition of the craft. Special mention was made of the theistic opinions expressed at the meeting of the Society of German Masons, and these were applied to the situation of the Dutch brethren.

The question of holding a masonic congress at The Hague in 1913, occupied the attention of this grand lodge, but nothing definite was arrived at. Apparently its purpose would be to serve as a reunion of all masons, preliminary to the proposed great jubilee celebration of 1917 in London.

We have received the first supplement to the catalogue of the library of the grand lodge, compiled by Brother Boudewijnse, deputy grand secretary, which gives evidence of the interesting and complete character of this collection of books.

In closing our review, we remark that Holland maintains a number of important and useful charities, and that it is striving by these, as well as by other proper means, to realize the highest masonic ideals.

Grand master, S. M. Hugo VanGyjn, Dordrecht; grand secretary, H. J. W. VanLawick, The Hague.

IDAHO—1912.

50 Lodges.

45th Annual.

3,844 Members.

A gain in membership of 276 and one new lodge indicates a healthy growth for this large and sparsely populated state. The sturdy face of Ezra A. Burrell, grand master for 1912-1913, confronts the reader on opening the well-printed volume of proceedings for 1912.

The grand lodge met in annual session in Boise, September 10-12, 1012, R.W. Bro. Abel Crook, chief commissioner of appeals of the

Grand Lodge of New York, was received with honors of the craft. The representative of Illinois was recorded as absent. No grand officer died during the year. In the death roll was included the venerable past grand master, Chester P. Coburn, who was one of the pioneers of Idaho. Instead of dispensations the grand master issued "permissions". The committee on jurisprudence did not always agree with the grand master. Permission was given to a lodge to elect officers at a meeting held some three weeks before the time fixed in its by-laws. The committee reported this an error, as it clearly is. No grand master has the power to set aside a by-law, regularly adopted and in accord with the law of the grand lodge. The purpose of fixing a time in the by-laws of a lodge for the election of officers is that all may know the date without special notice. In several other similar cases the grand master met disagreement of the committee.

No Appeal Allowed.

The grand master held that a suspended or expelled mason had the right of appeal to the grand lodge from the decision of the lodge on his petition for re-instatement. On this the grand master was reversed by report of the committee on jurisprudence and the approval of the grand lodge. It was decided that a senior warden could not be installed unless he held a certificate of proficiency in the work from the grand lecturer. Their excellent law is as follows;

A certificate of qualification from the grand lecturer as to ability to give the Idaho work and lecture entire, shall be requisite to eligibility to the office of master, and also no brother can be invited by the master or wardens to confer the degrees who does not conform to our uniform work.

The grand master made this rule apply also to the senior warden. The fool-killer evidently has been neglecting his duty in Idaho. Here is a question submitted to the grand master. "Can a blue lodge conduct a trial of a member who is a chapter mason?" The grand master very mildly but correctly says—

Yes. As master masons, you know nothing of the so-called higher degrees, and it is not only your right but your duty to prosecute any violation of the moral or masonic law occurring within your jurisdiction.

It is astonishing how little some masons (?) know of the supremacy of masonry, as related to other bodies, built upon it, but having no official or organic connection with the ancient craft.

WANTS TO USE A SOLILOQUY.

Another brother wants to know if it would be proper, at the "initiation" of a candidate in the third degree, to have recited a soliloquy

of about two minutes duration. This brother would paint the lily and adorn the rose. The grand master very positively advised the budding genius that, to introduce the "soliloquy" or anything else not in the established work, "would be an innovation and would be improper and your W.M. would be violating his obligation to permit it."

Grand Secretary RANDALL presents his fifteenth report, which is in excellent form. Official receipts are prepared and furnished by the grand secretary to the lodges at 30 cents per hundred, about actual cost. Lodges are required to use these exclusively.

WANT A HOME.

A special committee reported in favor of establishing a Masonic Home and submitted plans for entering upon this work. A considerable fund for this purpose has been accumulated and the work can the more easily be begun.

A banquet was tendered the members of the grand lodge by Boise lodge and the Eastern Star chapter. This was a specially enjoyable social occasion. The annual oration was delivered by Bro. Francis Jenkins.

York Grand Lodge of Mexico was duly accredited, on recommendation of the committee on foreign correspondence. Recognition had formerly been extended to Valle de Mexico.

Porto Rico was also taken into the Idaho family as a regular grand lodge.

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in review of grand lodges was presented by Bro. Geo. E. Kuepper, chairman of committee on correspondence. This was his eleventh report. It is a brief but valuable review of masonry as shown in the proceedings of various grand lodges. The Illinois report is for 1911 and furnishes rather musty reading after so long a time. Brother Kuepper says—

A beautiful blue book, cloth back, containing 600 pages, is a very decided improvement on the older editions. Illinois is to be congratulated on this evidence of the development of good taste. A good cut of Grand Master Ashley is given the place of honor in the published proceedings.

The reviewer refers to the grand master's "Report." This accords with Brother Ashley's view, as the law requires the grand master to "report" and not to "address."

Regarding the Illinois review the Idaho writer says-

The correspondence report covers 233 pages and is first class as are many other things emanating from Illinois. The writer lived in Illinois.

There's where he got his start. The report is written by Bro. Owen Scott.

The introduction is referred to as a "head-piece" From this the reference to big lodges is quoted. Liberal extracts are given from the report on correspondence. The parting shot comes in these words—

We part reluctantly with our gifted brother. There are many other things in his report worth reproducing, but space forbids.

Grand master, Ezra A. Burrell, Montpelier; grand secretary, Theophilus W. Randall, Boise.

INDIANA—1913.

553 Lodges.

92nd Annual.

63,035 MEMBERS.

Our Hoosier neighbor presents an excellent opening in the fine picture of Grand Master HANAN with which the book of proceedings begins. An hour's exercise prior to opening grand lodge presents to Illinois masons a great deal of pleasure. At 9:00 o'clock on May 27th, Grand Master Darrah of Illinois delivered a stirring address on "Masonic Economy." The address is printed in full at the beginning of the proceedings. Those who are familiar with the oratorical ability of our grand master will not be surprised to know that he made a satisfactory and lasting impression on the Indiana brethren. If space would permit, it would be a pleasure to give this fine address in full. At the conclusion of this the grand master, Calvin W. Prather, on behalf of the grand masters of other jurisdictions who had attended the conference of grand masters on March 17 and 18 at Indianapolis, presented a silver loving cup to M.W. Elmer F. Gay. This was a complete surprise and Brother GAY was visibly moved by this mark of appreciation of grand masters of other states.

The heading is "ninety-sixth year." All other places it is given as the 92nd annual meeting. If this is not a typographical error, the discrepancy needs an explanation. Illinois was not represented at the meeting. After grand lodge was opened Grand Master Darrah of Illinois was presented, with suitable honors.

INCUBATING A HOME.

Indiana is incubating a Masonic Home and it certainly appears from the record of this session that something will hatch along that line pretty soon. The grand master reports great enthusiasm over the prospect. By requiring 25c per capita of members throughout the state a considerable sum of money is rapidly accumulating. The total cash on deposit is over \$67,000. From the report of the committee on the Home it is learned "that many lodges have been unable to make donations to the Masonic Home fund owing to heavy indebtedness incurred in building or rebuilding masonic temples." This has been almost invariably the rule where lodges and grand lodges tax themselves to permit building of places of meeting. It makes it very difficult to find money to provide for the needy. The committee further states that every cent that has been contributed is in the treasury. Not a single dollar has been used for expenses of any kind. The report of the trustees on location of Home shows great care in investigating. Detailed statements are made concerning various cities desiring the location. The city of Jeffersonville was preferred by the trustees owing to the fine location for the buildings and the great value of the property offered to the grand lodge. Real estate was offered valued at from \$225,000 to \$275,000 with an immediate income of \$16,000. The only thing that made the committee hesitate to recommend Jeffersonville was that it was located in the extreme south end of the state. After due consideration the grand lodge selected Jeffersonville. It will, therefore, not be many years until masons, their widows and orphans will be provided for by Indiana. In this enterprise, as all others, the Eastern Star has a prominent part. The trustees expressed gratitude to this body for their efficient service.

ONLY THREE DECISIONS.

The grand master reported but three decisions. In one the question was asked whether a mason in good standing who appeared as counsel for a brother under trial could be excluded because he was a visitor. It was held that no member of the lodge had a right to object to his presence during the trial. In another case a brother subscribed \$25 to the lodge toward a building fund. Afterward, he asked for a dimit and refused to pay his subscription. It was decided that the lodge had a right to withhold the dimit until he had paid the amount subscribed.

Among the recommendations, the grand master advocated issuing dimits to entered apprentices and fellow crafts when about to remove from the jurisdiction of the lodge. This was approved by the grand lodge; but, as it required an amendment to the law, it was continued until the next annual session.

The grand master also recommended that Sunday preceding the anniversary of St. John, the Baptist, be designated as Masonic Memor-

ial Day. After due consideration the committee on jurisprudence reported adversely. This report was approved. It was not thought advisable to change the significance of the day so long observed by masons in honor of this ancient worthy.

THE GREAT FLOODS.

Full report was made of donations to the relief fund in various parts of the state on account of the great floods. It is to be noted, however, that all contributions from the outside were returned. Proper acknowledgment was made, but Indiana masons felt that they were able to take care of their own. They appreciated the assistance offered from others but did not feel willing to avail themselves of it.

A gratifying announcement was made by the trustees that during the past year all debts had been paid, "so that today grand lodge does not owe one cent on any of its property or equipment."

The oldest living past grand master of Indiana was unable to be present. For fifteen years he has prepared the annual review of grand lodges. He has been an active masonic worker for fifty-two years. Though well along in years, he has all his faculties and prepared the annual review as usual.

The report of the grand secretary brings joy to the reviewer's heart. He presents statistics of members and lodges in condensed form. In some grand lodges it is almost impossible to determine the numbers. It ought not be a difficult matter for the secretary to present this in brief form.

TENNESSEE DOES NOT HURRY.

Past Grand Master Mikels reports a visit to the Grand Lodge of Tennessee. He was much pleased with the proceedings and says—"I think that they surpass us in the fact that they do not hurry through a grand lodge session like we do. They take time to attend to more than the formal clearing-house duties of fraternal business." Brother Mikels also makes extended report on the conference of grand masters. He has advocated a national grand lodge with much earnestness, but has found little encouragement in any country. In his report he shows that he feels the want of appreciation and support, not only of other grand lodges, but by masons of his own state.

The disposition made at Philadelphia of the resolutions offered by Past Grand Master Bell of Illinois appears to have settled for all time the question of a national body with any governing powers. Conferences are valuable, but they are merely advisory and do not pass beyond mere agreements.

THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

of grand lodges comes from the venerable hand of Past Grand Master Daniel McDonald. He uses the term reviews rather than reports on correspondence. In fact, it appears that all should come to that term as the work done by the representatives of grand lodges is mere reviews of proceedings. The term corresponding has little significance.

The proceedings of Illinois for 1912 are given. The attitude of Grand Master Darrah regarding the laying of corner stones of churches is approved in the following words—

The writer of these "reviews" heartily concurs with the action and views of Grand Master Darrah as set forth in the above extract and which was concurred in by the grand lodge. We have always believed that the "Corner-Stone Ceremony" was devised purely for masonic purposes, and to be used only at the laying of corner-stones of masonic temples and other buildings to be used for masonic purposes; but in the evolution of time, being founded on what was supposed to be a "Builders' Association" and having a ritual ceremony appropriate to the laying of corner-stones, the masonic order has been considered a desirable organization to perform that ceremony, and for that and other reasons which will suggest themselves to those who have investigated the subject, of late years it has been accorded that distinction.

THE ILLINOIS REVIEW.

Referring to the report of Illinois for 1912, Brother McDonald says—

The splendid review of the printed proceedings of other grand lodges which were in fraternal correspondence with the Grand Lodge of Illinois was prepared by our old-time friend and hard masonic worker, Bro. Owen Scott, chairman of the committee, and covers two hundred and twenty-seven printed pages of the proceedings.

With reference to some strictures made regarding the building of temples and Homes, our good brother says—

He speaks somewhat critically of the slow action of Indiana in providing a Masonic Home for those who may be in distress; but our good brother will see that after he had closed his review of the Indiana proceedings for that year, at the next annual communication in 1912 arrangements were made to at once commence the erection of a splendid Masonic Home.

FEELS THAT HIS WORK IS ALMOST DONE.

In closing his report Brother McDonald anticipates that he will not be able much longer to continue at his work. He gives the following as his benediction—

During my long membership in the masonic Grand Lodge of Indiana I have been greatly honored, possibly beyond what I actually deserved, and as this is probably my last "Review," before taking my final leave, I

want to return to all my very dear masonic friends and brothers for the many favors and kindnesses they have ever and always shown me, my sincere and heartfelt appreciative thanks, and to bid you, one and all, an affectionate farewell.

Grand master, John W. Hanan, LaGrange; grand secretary, Calvin W. Prather, Indianapolis.

IOWA-1913.

521 Lodges.

70th Annual.

47.585 MEMBERS.

Iowa comes to the Illinois reviewer in its usual exceptionally handsome form. Perhaps no book of proceedings can present a more artistic appearance than does the cover page of this large volume. A full
page picture of the retiring grand master, William Hutchinson, shows
a man of ability. The annual session was held at Council Bluffs, June
10 to 12, 1913. Immediately after the close of the session, through the
thoughtfulness of some one, a copy of the report on correspondence
came. The complete proceedings, however, did not arrive until August
23rd. The public exercises, usually held prior to opening of grand lodge
in smaller places, are given prominence in the opening of the record.
Addresses were made and these are quoted at length. A single paragraph used by W. S. Baird in presenting the grand master will repay
reproduction.

It now becomes my most pleasing duty to introduce to vou this morning a representative of the most distinguished and renowned gathering of men in the world. The institution to which we belong, and of which we are members is known throughout the world, from the land of the Mikado and chrysanthemum, from the vine-clad hills of sunny France, from beneath the clear Italian sky, from the Fatherland, from beneath the shadow of the Pyramids, from the home of the Alhambra, from the land of the Zuyder Zee, from the green fields of England, the highlands of Scotland, and from the Emerald Isles, in all these grand jurisdictions will you find the same representative class of individuals that you see here today, and in America they are tied by amalgamation of all these several races. In America today we have these individuals, free to represent themselves and make themselves known wherever they may be seeking to travel.

MASONRY'S SCOPE.

Grand Master Hutchinson's address is an able document. He deals with many questions in a way that must be of great interest to the masons of Iowa. He says—

To the student's mind masonry presents a varied field of instructive lessons. It matters little whether it is called a religion or not. It is

enough to say that it brings vividly before us the great truths and teachings of the Holy Bible. All our holy precepts and symbols are taken from the Bible, which is the foundation of all our masonry. By it we are taught obedience to the moral law, which means more than the observance of technical rules. It means that masons must distinguish between good and evil and right and wrong in all our dealings with all mankind. It means we must walk uprightly and act justly.

We find in no other book than the Bible the divine assurance of the immortality of the soul. It is the only book that gives us a clear and distinct idea of God. It leads us to feel in every walk of life our dependence on God and our constant need of Him. It brings us to a clearer and sweeter communion with God, and brings pressure to bear upon us to live and act rightly and to commit no offenses that would not stand the test of the light of day. It bring us to our knees in prayer, and causes us to lift up our voice in praise, and teaches us to "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy." All of which is a plain masonic duty. God speed the day when the Christian Sabbath may be more strictly observed by all masons, and the sound of praise and prayer more frequently be heard in all our lodge rooms and households.

In this is the true ring of the relation of masonry to the Bible, its great light.

NINETY PER CENT WATCH CHARM.

One other paragraph will prove of interest to masons of every grand lodge. In this he says—

This is a commercial age. There is a disposition on the part of men to make haste; a disposition on the part of many to take flight that they may be first to the fountain. There is much tall talk, and the beating of the tom-tom is heard in the land. In this connection there is likely to be clamor for strong lodges in the count of membership, and there is some danger when the voice of duty is heard that we may find some who are more shuck than kernel, some who are ten per cent masons and ninety per cent charm. Greed and strife and the rivalries of trade, and blind ambition, surround us upon every hand. It is well with us if we escape being tainted with hate, envy and selfishness, for the temptation to violate law and forget our obligations is great."

OBJECTION SAME AS BLACK BALL.

Under decisions the grand master reports a case where a petitioner had been elected to the degrees. Objection was filed with the master. Very soon after this he received an urgent call by telegram and left the state. He did not give notice to the secretary or senior warden. Not knowing objection had been filed, the candidate was initiated by the senior warden. On returning the question was raised and referred to the grand master. He held that the objection must be respected and that the action of the lodge in conferring the first degree was null and void. The master of the lodge acted in good faith but was censured for

carelessness. The grand lodge sustained the decision of the grand master.

In another case he said it was not a masonic offense for a master mason to circulate a petition for the opening of a saloon, as he was in no way concerned or engaged in the liquor traffic. The law of Iowa prohibits those who are engaged in selling intoxicants from becoming members. With all due respect to the grand master, it looks a little as though he would refuse to eat the devil but was induced to drink his broth. A saloon is so bad that a man is ineligible to membership if he is connected with it. If active in securing the establishment of one, it ought to be equally offensive. The grand master held that a man, moving to another state where masonry does not exclude those who deal in liquor, would not be permitted, so long as he retained membership in an Iowa lodge, to engage in the saloon business.

TREASURER COULD NOT BE OUSTED.

The master of a lodge declared the office of treasurer vacant because the one elected was not present to be installed. A new election was ordered and a different member was elected and installed. It appeared that the treasurer who was absent had served for many years, was old and lived in the country. He had been elected and installed the year before. The grand master set aside the action of the lodge in electing another and declared it to be of no effect. In this, the grand lodge sustained him.

Being public spirited another lodge bought an encyclopaedia and presented it to the public library in the town where it was located. Objection was made to this, as it was not a proper use of the funds of the lodge. The grand master and grand lodge sustained this objection. The money paid into the lodge treasury cannot be diverted into other channels, though the money be used for a good cause.

Grand Master Hutchinson is quite as enthusiastic against the use of "cipher rituals" and "masonic travesties" as Grand Master Darrah of Illinois

The law in Iowa is much like that in Illinois regarding physical qualifications. Each lodge is the judge of the qualifications of a candidate, physical as well as mental and moral. Strict accountability is required for the abuse of the well-known principles of masonry. Lodges are held responsible and subject to discipline. A new law was adopted giving the grand master power to grant dispensations to receive candidates otherwise physically disqualified.

BUILDING FOR GRAND LODGE HOME.

The grand master refers to the superb masonic library at Cedar Rapids. Recently an addition has been completed. The feeling was expressed that the time had come when consideration should be given to the erection of a grand lodge building. The meetings of this body then could be permanently located. One year before the grand chaplain, Joseph F. Newton, gave a lecture to the grand lodge on the "Mission of Masonry." It was so acceptable that the grand master reappointed him and this year he completed his thought on the subject in "The Ministry of Masonry." This address was received with great satisfaction and it appears in full in the printed proceedings.

The proper fraternal spirit, existing between grand lodges, was shown in the visit of Grand Master Alpha Morgan and Past Grand Master Robert E. French of Nebraska. They were given suitable greetings and appropriate addresses were made.

NOT QUITE SO POETICAL.

The excellent report of Grand Secretary Parvin is not ornamented with as many poems as formerly. Two selections, however, are given. One at the beginning and one concerning the death of grand secretaries of other jurisdictions. Brother Parvin is grand librarian as well as grand secretary. This gives him opportunity to gratify his poetic instincts with a number of selections. Brother Parvin in introducing his report as grand secretary quotes the Latin motto "labor omnia vincit"—labor conquers everything. In his introduction to his report as librarian he again appeals to the ancient language in "lux lucct in tenebris," which he interprets as meaning—light shines in darkness. These quotations are happily chosen. The secretary's report gives an account of the work done where labor conquers everything. This is made possible through the library that lets the light of intelligence shine in darkness.

Upon recommendation of the committee on recognition of grand bodies the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands was taken into the Hawkeye masonic family.

Iowa has one peculiar feature of its grand lodge meetings. For the second time Miss Anna Killian, the grand lodge stenographer, has been present and reported "incidents of the week." In this she gives the side lights from the outside which bear upon the many things that take place during the session.

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of grand lodges comes again from the skillful hand of Bro. Charles C. Clark. He starts out with a prologue and closes with an epilogue.

This sounds like the mustiness of old time theatricals, but it cannot be said that mustiness is in the appearance or in the work done. In 172 pages, Brother Clark reviews the business of masonry throughout the world. Illinois is analyzed for 1912. He says that "after a delightful musical program the grand master delivered his address, which is one of the best we have read." Referring to the refusal of Grand Master Darrah to lay corner stones of churches he says that "it is our firm conviction he was dead wrong." He does not agree with the Illinois grand master with reference to the improper use of black balls. His theory is that—

The trouble with this position is the limit to which inquiry as to motives may be pushed. Occasionally trouble may arise from the evil-disposed, but to our mind it is infinitely more dangerous to in any manner infringe upon the sauctity of the ballot, and we are unalterably opposed to the position of Grand Master Darrah, believing it to be an insidious invasion of one of the most ancient landmarks.

OBJECTS TO SMOKING.

In reference to smoking in the lodge and in the study side of masonry he is in hearty accord.

The Illinois committee on appeals and grievances is complimented because it omits names and particulars of cases coming before it. The oration of Past Grand Master Bell is classed as "a splendid address, well worth reading."

Brother CLARK opposes the uniform receipt for dues and insists that it is "an infringement of lodge rights." Possibly so, but Brother CLARK, think of the convenience such an arrangement is to a brother away from home, in a state where documentary evidence is required. If he is without evidence that he is in good standing in a regular lodge he is unable to visit in one-half or two-thirds of the grand jurisdictions. Lodges can easily afford to surrender enough of their "rights" to enable their members to be welcomed when they are abroad.

COMPLIMENTS AND DISAGREES.

Referring to the report of the Illinois committee on correspondence, he says—

This most important document is again the work of Past Grand Master Owen Scott. It is a thorough, entertaining, and luminous review of the year's work. His comments while not extended are very much to the point, and he does not gloss over practices he deems against the interests of the fraternity or contrary to the landmarks. We like him for the courage of his convictions and the personal element he injects into his writing. In most things we are agreed. However, we do

not coincide on the expediency of documentary evidence; we have never believed in it, regarding it as an unnecessary innovation liable to lessen if not practically do away with the "strict trial." Neither do we believe in legislation against non-affiliates, such as Illinois has and Brother Scott supports. We wonder if he is really enthusiastic in his defense. Iowa tried the plan for some years but finally abandoned it. To us it has always been a most attractive feature of the fraternity to realize that it was in truth "Free" and held no man against his will. The suspension of a club over the head of one who has left is not in keeping with the history or traditions of the craft. He came in of his own volition and if there is not enough in the lodge and the pabulum it furnishes its members he should be absolutely untrammeled in his efforts to get out and stay out.

Non-Affiliate Free to Leave.

The writer heartily agrees with the Iowa reviewer that a member should have an easy way to retreat if he no longer desires to join in the battle of fraternity. The retiring member should not, however, be allowed to enjoy the rights and privileges of the lodge if he is not willing to remain a member and accept its responsibilities and duties: As he has one year in which to affiliate, he cannot complain that his brethren, who are paying the expenses and performing the duties incident to his lodge, objects to him standing aloof and enjoying the privileges of lodge affiliation.

In reference to the comment of last year about immortality Brother CLARK indicates his position by saying that "we never said a belief in immortality was not a necessary principle of masonry, but simply that the candidate was not obliged to make any profession of such a belief." He also says that the Grand Lodge of Iowa is behind him in his attitude that the Bible is not indispensable. There is no disposition to argue this question. Our brother will find it difficult to locate any lodge throughout the world, acknowledged as legitimate in masonry that does not base its whole belief and action upon the Bible as the great light in masonry.

Grand master, Frank B. Whitaker, Hillsboro; grand secretary, Newton R. Parvin, Cedar Rapids.

IRELAND-1912.

460 Lodges.

184th Annual. 100,000 Members, Estimated.

A modest, well-printed pamphlet of fifty-nine pages gives all that this ancient grand lodge wants the masonic world to know of its doings for the year 1912. This comes wholly in reports and not in the usual form of proceedings.

The booklet opens with a full-page picture of the Duke of Abercorn, who died January 3, 1913. His service as grand master began in 1886 and was continuous afterward.

CHARLES A. CAMERON, deputy grand master, made a most interesting report. He calls attention to the change he has made in having his report printed and thereby made easily accessible to the craft.

Attention is directed to the interest Irish masons have in the Home Rule measure now pending in parliament. In view of the hostility of the dominant church in Ireland to masonry, it was of vital importance that safeguards be thrown around for its protection. A local parliament might make restrictions that would be grievous to be borne.

Masonry Protected.

The following provision was added to the bill in the House of Commons.

It is hereby declared that existing enactments relative to unlawful oaths and unlawful assemblies in Ireland do not apply to meetings or proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Ireland, or of any lodge or society recognized by the grand lodge.

This was incorporated in the bill without division or opposition. It is interesting to note the fact that Dublin, with but 70,000 population, has fifty lodges. Full three-fourths of the population are given as hostile to masonry. Truly this is a remarkable showing. It is doubtful if under such conditions, it can be duplicated. Brother Cameron then adds—

Whilst many other and desirable institutions are decaying, it appears perfectly marvellous that this institution, which we all love so much, is flourishing and increasing, going on by leaps and bounds, in fact acquiring numbers that never were known before in the history of our order in this country.

RITUALS DIFFER.

The report deplores the differences in the ritual to be found in the lodges of Ireland, England and Scotland. Brother Cameron says—

It has frequently happened, in lodges both in England and Scotland, that I have been present at, that I found such striking differences in the ritual that really you would not think they were giving the same degree as we give it in Ireland.

A little of the get-together spirit would be an advantage to our three ancient grand lodge worthies.

Ireland has done a noble thing in recognizing the Grand Lodge of Queensland as an "independent and regular masonic body." If England and Scotland will do likewise the true spirit of freemasonry will be shown. The tri-partite agreement has, heretofore, stood in the way. Now that Ireland has broken away it should be easy for the others to follow

SHOULD NOT APPEAL TO NON-MASONS.

The board of general purposes held that it was "a most undesirable and irregular proceeding for a lodge to ask assistance from any outside source for a purely masonic object." Non-masons should be exempt from masonic importunities for even good purposes. Regarding the taking of a second ballot in case of the appearance of one negative vote, it was concluded that—

It is important to bear in mind that the master of a lodge should have some substantial reason for supposing a mistake had been made in the first ballot before ordering a second to be taken, and it is almost impossible to imagine a case which would justify a third.

The soundness of this view cannot be questioned.

During the year four new lodges were established. One of these was in South Africa. Lodges may be found in the far-away parts of the earth, but, to be regular, they must emanate from some regular grand lodge. Most of the legitimate lodges in China, Japan, Africa and South America receive authority from one or the other of the British grand lodges.

No lodge under Ireland surrendered its charter during 1912.

AN ESPERANTO LODGE.

Ireland presents one novelty. There is a lodge at Coleraine—Vernon No. 127—which opens and closes in the international language known as Esperanto. Evidently the movement for a universal language has gained some momentum. Recently an authority in linguistic lore has suggested Latin as the tongue for all peoples. This is a dead language, being nowhere spoken. It is only the instrument of scholars and, being dead, does not change. Such a resurrection would indeed be a modern miracle.

The long service as grand secretary of Bro. RICHARD LAMBERT of Louisiana is noted. He is probably the oldest in the world. Brother LAMBERT was born in Dublin in 1828.

THEIR CHARITIES.

Ircland's masonic charities are conducted in an ideal manner if correct judgment can be formed this side of the Atlantic. The number of pupils on the school rolls is precisely the same for the boys and girls, there being 101 in each. In addition to this the further education of twenty past pupils is provided in the girls' school. Maintenance and education are provided for fifty-six orphans who have never been pupils of the school. There are seventy-four adults receiving annuities from the Victoria Jubilee Masonic Annuity Fund. Other applicants are waiting until the increase of the fund will permit their admission.

There is no committee or report on correspondence.

Grand master, Charles A. Cameron; grand secretary, Lord Plunkett, Freemason's Hall, Dublin.

KANSAS-1913.

402 Lodges.

57th Annual.

38,877 MEMBERS.

The proceedings of the Sunflower state for this year consists of a large and handsome volume. The artistic effect of the cover page is of high order.

The increased size of the book is in consequence of publishing the complete code of laws which have been revised and supersede the laws in force.

Thirteen past grand masters are recorded as present. Matthew M. Miller, who served in 1885, heads the list. Brother Miller writes the report on correspondence. He also is representative of Illinois near that grand lodge.

Grand Master William E. Hutchison delivered a very interesting and comprehensive address. It is largely devoted to the business of the year and shows a very satisfactory condition.

The grand master refers to this and very truthfully says—

The success and attainments of the lodge are not wholly measured by its numerical increase. The other elements which show growth and development must be taken into consideration at the same time in making the inventory. The value of each note and bond in the bank has more to do in the computation of the total assets of the institution than the number of the notes and bonds.

Emerson has well said: "The truest test of civilization is not the census, nor the size of our cities, nor the crops, but the kind of men the country turns out."

The grand master reports appointment of a representative for the Grand Lodge of Chile, which was recognized at the meeting one year before.

WAS IT ULTRA VIRES?

Of the special dispensations issued were "three to hold the annual election at an earlier date than that provided in the by-laws of the lodge and forty-one were for conferring degrees without waiting the statutory period."

In both cases the action is subject to close inspection. It is usually held that the grand master has no power to permit the election of officers to be held at a date earlier than that fixed in the by-laws. If for any reason the election cannot take place at the time fixed, it would be safer and better to let it go until a later date so that notice can be given. As to allowing the conferring of degrees without waiting the time fixed by law, the discretion is often poorly placed. If it is worth while to have a limit as to time let the law take its course, except in extreme cases.

TROUBLE ABOUT CIPHERS.

Much trouble has come to Kansas from the commercial rituals and ciphers. Lodges were prohibited from using these and a letter was sent out requesting a report as to whether they were used or not. Some lodges did not reply. In these cases another letter was sent with strict injunction to make report or suffer the consequence. The grand master exercised diligence and discretion in trying to stop this evil.

But three decisions were reported and these were all pertaining to the committee investigating candidates for the degrees. It was held that reports could not be made by telephone and that a majority of the committee could report. In Illinois three are appointed, but no conference is expected between them. Each makes his individual investigation and reports his personal conclusion. It is in fact three committees of one, giving the lodge information as to the character of applicant from three sources.

THE CROWNING GLORY.

The grand master refers to the Masonic Home in following lan guage;

The crowning tangible glory of masonry in Kansas is the Masonic Home in this city. It is the cope-stone of masonic achievement in this state. If we bestow favors upon those who in turn can and will reward us it is merely a matter of business; but if a sacrifice is made to assist those who are unable to help themselves, much less to help us in return, then and only then are we acting the part of Good Samaritans.

Too much cannot be said of the great work that is being done in that institution, and the greatest feature of it all is, that those who enjoy its privileges are not *inmates* of a purely charitable institution, but are *members* of a *Home*.

The grand secretary in his report gives the names and numbers of lodges with more than 400 members. Albert Pike No. 303 stands at the head with 845. Eight other lodges finish the list.

A GREAT ORATION.

Very properly the grand master congratulates the grand lodge on his ability to secure the services of Bro. RICHARD M. PICKLER, who is judge of the 15th district of Kansas. It is rarely the privilege of this writer to read a document pertaining to masonry with a greater appreciation or pleasure than that prepared by the grand orator of Kansas.

The title is, "The Long Search." It would be profitable to the masons of Illinois if the entire oration could be produced, but space prevents. The first paragraph will give the key to the merits of this production. He says—

When the Almighty created the heavens and the earth; when from out the great deep arose the untrodden land; when He had jeweled the earth with His beautiful gardens and hung His lamps high up in the heavens. He fashioned a being in imitation of his own faultless form, graced him with something of His own divine attributes, and gave this kingly creation to the world. He prescribed the zone in which he must move in fulfillment of his destiny; he appointed the limits he should not pass; but he gave him ambition and a desire to learn and know, and the journey from childhood's cradle to the last long sleep is a ceaseless search for light.

Another paragraph will be profitably read. It is as follows—

Masonry is forceful and progressive. It has developed a science of right living which, for mental and moral development, has never been surpassed. Its principles are as old as civilization. They have ever rung true under the remorseless hammer of Time. And they are just as essential to human happiness at the present time as in the day when the sweet and kindly Christ walked with bruised feet over the flinty hills of Galilee; and it is the work of the mason to weave them into his everyday life. His work lies, not in retrospection, but in the activities of the present and future.

WORD PICTURE OF OLD AGE.

Brother Pickler quotes the entire scriptural production from the 12th chapter of Ecclesiastes, beginning "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth." At the risk of trespassing upon other matters of importance the entire explanation of this is herewith given. He says—

It is, of course, a vivid picture of old age, when the blood runs sluggish and the body is ripening for the tomb.

The keepers of the house are the hands. The strong men that bow themselves, are the limbs bent with age. The darkening of "those that look out of the windows," alludes to the failing eyesight. The "doors shut in the streets," are the lips closed over the toothless gums, and when the teeth are missing the "sound of the grinding is low." "And he shall rise up at the voice of the birds,," has reference to the time when the luxury of strong and steady nerves has departed and every sound annoys and even the grasshopper is a burden. "And all the daughters of music shall be brought low." The ears are the daughters of music, and they are brought low as the hearing fails. "They shall be afraid of that which is high, and fears shall be in the way," is the childish timidity of old age. "And the almond tree shall flourish." In order to understand this allusion, we must remember that the almond tree blossoms in the winter time. At this season it is covered with a mass of white bloom. And so, in the winter of life the hair becomes whitened and the head is frosted and crowned with its silvery crest, the harbinger of the fast-approaching time when the body shall again become dust and the unfettered soul shall seek its heavenly harbor.

The loosening of the silver cord, the breaking of the golden bowl, the pitcher at the fountain, and the wheel at the cistern, comprehend the tear-duct, the anatomy of the eye, and the wreck and ruin old age brings to its wonderful mechanism.

INGERSOLL ON NAPOLEON.

The reviewer cannot refrain from giving one other quotation. The spirit of this is so in harmony with the idea of masonry that it is readily used. The matchless orator, ROBERT G. INGERSOLL, with all his faults pertaining to GoD and relation of man to his Creator ,touched the pinnacle of the fraternal relation of men in the world in the quotation the Kansas orator gives. He says—

Ingersoll, after tracing the career of Napoleon to the zenith of his glory when he crossed the Alps and "mingled the eagles of France with the eagles of the crags," and down through his reverses to the annihilation of his armies at Leipsig and Waterloo, musingly said of him: "And I thought of the widows and orphans he had made; of the tears that had been shed for his glory; of the only woman who ever loved him pushed from his heart by the cold hand of ambition; and I said to myself, I would rather have been a French peasant and worn wooden shoes; I would rather have lived in a hut with the vine growing over the door and the grapes growing purple under the amorous kisses of

the summer's sun; with my wife sitting by my side knitting as the day died out of the sky, with my children on my knee and their arms about me—I would rather have been that man and gone down to the tongueless silence of the dreamless dust than to have been that imperial impersonation of force and murder known as Napoleon the Great."

THE LIGHT FOUND.

In his conclusion he says-

And if it is right to teach faith in God and immortality; if it is right to teach a lofty patriotism and love of country and of home; if it is right to teach love of fellowmen, justice, charity, mercy and the alleviation of distress; if all these are right, then our work is right, and will be approved of the Almighty as it has already been approved of men. We have, then, earned the right to proceed further in search of new duties to discharge, in question of further enlightenment, and with eyes steadfastly fixed upon the east, we will press steadily forward until some day, some time, the long search will end, and there will play upon the brow the fadeless glow of a light eternal.

The death of Past Grand Master Charles F. Hitchcock is given with a brief biographical sketch.

The grand lodge met at Wichita where the Masonic Home is located. One afternoon was devoted to a visit to that fine institution.

It requires ninety-one pages to present the code of laws as revised by the Grand Lodge of Kansas.

REPORT OF REVIEWER.

The report of the committee on correspondence is the eleventh from the hand of Past Grand Master Matthew M. Miller. This review is one of the best that has been the privilege of this correspondent to go over. It is bright and full of ginger.

Regarding the report of Grand Master Darrah he says-

Nearly twenty-four pages are used for the grand master's address, although one hundred and seven additional pages are required for a detailed report of the business of the grand master's office for the year October, 1911, to October, 1912. This systematic method of separation is highly to be commended. The cream comes to you in a separate receptacle—you can run the skim-milk of the fifty district deputy grand masters' reports through your separator if you want to do so, but in a very great majority of cases it is unnecessary; gives no result commensurate with the work, as is quite evident, if you care for a practical demonstration, by an examination of Grand Master Darrah's report and exhibits.

Brother Miller says that "remembering former Jousts (whatever this may mean) between Illinois and Kansas on the topic of 'Organized

Charity,' we salute our mother reverently as we read the following." Then he quotes what Grand Master Darrah says regarding this subject.

Our Kansas brother quotes from the Illinois review of 1912 under head of Louisiana concerning the greater effect of organized over voluntary charity.

The action of the Illinois grand master in deciding that a man who wears a truss can be received if physically qualified is heartily approved.

Moon Lodges.

Brother Miller says-

They still have 290 moon lodges in Illinois. The grand master thought there should be a fixed calendar date. On reference to committee on chartered lodges that committee recommended that these lodges change their by-laws. That may effect the change—in 290 years.

If our good brother from the Sunflower state could be a member of some country lodges of Illinois where long distances are traveled at night to attend meetings, he would no doubt favor meetings "in the moon," particularly if it was full. Many of these small country lodges are among the very best to exemplify the principles of masonry.

The excellent report of the Illinois committee on appeals and grievances is heartily approved when he says—

A model report appears from committee on grievances—simply name of the lodge and recommendation of the committee. Why is there any necessity to say anything but "we have hung the washing on the line?" The public is not interested in learning how the linen was soiled, or whose linen it was.

BROTHER BELL'S ORATION.

After giving a sample of the oration by Past Grand Master Bell, Brother Miller adds-

We regret we cannot take M.W. Brother Bell's oration entire. We have tried to excerpt briefly and give a synopsis of its thought; it would take all the Illinois space to make the effort—and we must forego further thought of trying.

He pays his respects to the work of this reviewer in the following words:

The report on correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Owen Scott, and it is easy to perceive that the hames fit more snugly and the collar shows less disposition to chafe than when he first put on the harness as correspondent. Still there is an occasional sign of irritation. For instance, under Alabama where the grand master, in a decision, referred to the "Blue Lodge degrees," Brother Scott asks, "Why Blue Lodge? Are there degrees of masonry of any other color?" We would suggest, what is the matter with scarlet? Those you trace from said, "including the Royal Arch," which we are informed has that distinctive color.

The hames and collar ought to fit very snugly on our brother from Kansas. How he can advance the idea that scarlet, with any propriety, can be suggested as a color in masonry, is beyond even his close scrutiny and sharp acumen.

YOUNG AT THREE-SCORE AND TEN.

Last year reference was made to the fact that the Kansas report alluded to the writer as our "young brother." This, as was stated at that time, was graciously received. To this Brother Miller again adds an element of pleasure and satisfaction. He says—

"Forty-one years!" You are surely "our young brother." The Kansas writer is on his forty-eighth annual masonic lap. "Honest Indian." though (as a young lady in Galena once interrogated Gen. Ely S. Parker about something she questioned), when we said that, we thought you nine years older. I think we are both old enough to be more optimistic about "the other fellow," but we will mellow in time—all young brothers do.

We have enjoyed the Illinois report; we always do; it is forty years after, but we cannot get out of the habit of being interested in the lodges where we fraternized—with other young brothers, nearly all of whom have laid down the working tools for the rest and refreshment awaiting those whose work had been approved, and whose "mansions," fashioned on the plan warranted by the life work of each, had been constructed and were ready for their occupancy.

SWISS-ALPINA REFUSED.

A very able summary of the reasons for refusing recognition to the Grand Lodge of Swiss Alpina is given. The fact that it is in close touch with the atheistic Grand Orient of France is sufficient reason for not doing as he says another American grand lodge has done—"swallowed the Swiss-Alpina hook with a gulp." Refusing recognition to the Grand Lodge of Switzerland is a fact noted in these words, "a wholesale recognition of German grand lodges by an American grand lodge is a notable incident of the masonic year." This is presumably by Kansas, though not so stated.

If our good brother would dig down among the roots of the grand lodges of Germany he would find some very poisonous weeds which would not fit well into the soil he has prepared, out of which legitimate masons grow.

To say that the writer has enjoyed the incisive and vigorous report written by Past Grand Master Miller for 1913 is but a feeble way to express a very profound appreciation.

Grand master, Elrick C. Cole, Great Bend; grand secretary, Albert K. Wilson, Topeka.

KENTUCKY-1912.

578 Lodges.

112TH ANNUAL.

38,782 MEMBERS.

Fresh from the printery of the Masonic Home the proceedings of the "blue grass" grand lodge are reviewed with unusual interest. The fact that the book of almost 600 pages could come as the handiwork of the boys and girls of the Home, proves that they are not only fed and clad, but that they are trained for useful living as men and women. An increase of 1,426 in membership shows a healthy condition of the craft in the old commonwealth. The annual session was held October 15-17, 1912, at Louisville.

The first page is taken up with pictures of the "HIRAM BASSETT Prize Medal," awarded to Walter L. Lacy and Fannie P. Hibbard "for the highest average in scholarship and deportment for 1911-1912."

Grand Master Dave Jackson graduated from the highest executive masonic place to that of grand secretary. The death of Bro. H. B. Grant, for many years grand secretary, made such a shift possible.

NOT MANY DECISIONS.

Brother Jackson, in his annual address, reports few decisions. One of these was on the liquor question—

A lodge that advances an entered apprentice or fellow craft known to be engaged in such a stigmatized business, commits an offense that would justify the arrest of its charter and I have grave doubts whether the lodge would not be masonically responsible for not bringing the offending brother to trial. This opinion is based wholly on the written law without regard to my private opinion.

Nothing appears new regarding the Masonic Homes. They are evidently doing all that can be desired in caring for the needy.

Reports show a bonded indebtedness on the Masonic Temple of \$165,000. This looks like a pretty large load for less than 40,000 to carry. Even in a state with over 115,000 members the burden might prove grievons.

The grand master thinks the plan of requiring lodges of different grand jurisdictions to correspond through their grand masters, an infringement of the rights of constituent lodges.

As a means to the establishment of a uniform ritual, Grand Master Jackson recommends the employment at a good salary of a grand

lecturer, that he may spend his entire time in the lodges. Kentucky is pretty old to be experimenting with the problem of uniform work.

Bro. John I. Fisher was appointed grand secretary, ad interim, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Brother Grant. He was not presented for election against the retiring grand master.

BOOKS AND CIPHERS FORBIDDEN.

Regarding the use of books, or cipher of the work, the following recommendation of the committee on jurisprudence was adopted.

We approve the decision of the grand master that it is illegal and unmasonic to use any book, whether printed in cipher or otherwise, containing any of the secrets of masonry, and your committee holds that the grand master would be justified in arresting and that it would be his duty to at once arrest the charter of a lodge using such books in open violation of our masonic law.

"Fraternally Thine."

As a tribute to Brother Grant, the late grand secretary, the phrase "fraternally thine" was adopted as the official superscription to all signatures in all masonic correspondence in that grand lodge. It was used by Brother Grant and had almost become the trademark of Kentucky masonry.

The committee on foreign correspondence in Kentucky is the "committee on doings of other grand lodges." Though different, this is not half bad. Really the work of the committee is not primarily that of correspondence but rather the review of the doings of other grand lodges.

This committee argues mightily against perpetual jurisdiction over rejected material. It is held that, where a man resides in the territory of a lodge, there can be no reason why a lodge elsewhere should retain jurisdiction over him. Possibly not as a matter of right but is it not safer? The five-year rule is held to be as vicious in principle as the perpetual.

The grand master's salary was raised from \$300 to \$500. In Illinois the remuneration is \$2,500 and that is not any too much for a service that requires most of a good man's time.

The following was adopted—

In view of the fact that every master mason loves that beautiful order which admits to its sisterhood his wife, sister or daughter, and because of our close kinship thereto; now therefore, be it

Resolved, By this grand lodge, that we extend our heartfelt goodwill to the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star of Kentucky.

THE REVIEW OF THE DOINGS

Of other grand lodges was written by P.G.M. WILLIAM W. CLARKE, the committee. Sixty-three are reviewed and the work is well done. In concluding, Brother Clarke quotes one of his own articles from the Tyler-Keystone on the "Drift of Masonry." It is well written, but it does not indicate much of the uncertainty of aim implied in the word "drift." Illinois is mostly extracts from the 1911 proceedings. Brother Ashley's "unequal representation" is copied in full. The report of our committee on jurisprudence in the Maywood lodge case is also quoted in its complete form.

Brother Clarke refers to the report on correspondence for 1911 and says—

Under the caption, "A Masonic Theatre," he says: "Permit a courteous inquiry. Is not the owning and running of a theatre a little foreign to the mission and scope of masonry?" The Grand Lodge of Kentucky owns the masonic temple at Louisville. The theatre is not run by it only so far as to rent it to a company, retaining the use of it for the meetings of the masonic bodies. We see in this nothing more inconsistent than owning and leasing for the use of others, an office building:

COMMERCIAL VS. FRATERNAL.

Quite right. Neither comes within the real mission of masonry. Too often have lodges and grand lodges become commercial and mercenary in erecting costly buildings for theatrical or business purposes. Usually, in the long run, it is unprofitable and absorbs time and energy from the real fraternal and beneficent purposes of masonry. There is no more objection to renting for a theatre than for commercial or professional purposes. Indianapolis, Philadelphia and many other cities have beautiful and useful temples devoted exclusively to the aims and purposes of the craft. More than this is too much.

Kentucky cannot be rightly accused of courting high-sounding names for her grand officers. The retiring grand master was Dave (not David) Jackson, the incoming, Joe (not Joseph) H. Ewalt. Dave was elected grand secretary and Joe grand master. Joe and Dave ought to make a hit with the "What's-in-a-Name" club.

Grand master, Joe H. Ewalt. Paris; grand secretary, Dave Jackson, Louisville.

LOUISIANA-1913.

220 LODGES.

IOIST ANNUAL.

15,175 MEMBERS.

The volume of proceedings for this year is adorned with a full page picture of the present grand master, EMIL SUNDBERY. Judging from the forceful countenance presented, Louisiana masonry is in good hands at present.

In the list of representatives of other grand lodges Illinois was represented.

Grand Master E. H. Addington makes a "report" and not an "address." Some critics were inclined to poke fun at Grand Master Ashley when he followed the language of the grand lodge's constitution and presented his "report." It is strictly in accordance with the scope of the grand master's work. He reports the activities of masonry in his state between sessions of grand lodge.

The Louisiana grand master permitted an appeal to the lodges of his state for funds for a masonic hospital at Hot Springs. He felt that it was within the province of the lodges of the state when it came in the form of a request of the grand master of Arkansas.

Believes in Lodge Home-Rule.

Some lodges hold public installation of officers without a dispensation. The grand master thinks they have a right to do so and does not advocate taking it away. He says—"While I personally do not like the idea of a public installation, there is no law or obligation against it, and I think the grand lodge should legislate as little as possible regarding lodge affairs." He further very wisely says "that during the year a number of requests were made for dispensations to permit plain infractions of the constitution, general regulations and edicts. These all were refused and as such refusals involve no new views on the law I deem it unnecessary to list them." No grand master should even bend, much less break, the law by special dispensations. Strong ground is taken against electioneering for office. He thinks that if a brother has any merit it will disclose itself and make it unnecessary that any arguments be used to secure its recognition.

COURT SUSTAINS GRAND LODGE.

An important suit has been pending in Louisiana and has been decided by the supreme court of that state. The outcome of this is well stated in the following extract. He says—

It confirms the proper contention for the supremacy of the lodges and their right to dominate all masonic affairs through their properly organized and constituted representative and legislative bodies, the grand lodges. As I understand its bearing upon our affairs, it relieves grand lodges entirely from any call to untangle any skein of contention regarding the origin or history of any body claiming to be masonic; leaves it free to concede regularity by prescription, or if it sees fit to do so, by fiat. In short, it puts the ownership of the term "masonry" and the adjective "masonic" clearly in possession of regular lodges and the grand lodges that represent them.

No Masonic Club.

An attempt was made to organize a masonic club. Sustaining the opinion of the committee on law and jurisprudence the grand master held that such could not be legally done. The outcome was reached by calling it the Acacia Club. There can be little need for an organization inside the lodge. Such a one makes two classes of masons, viz.; club masons and just simply masons. To make it an Acacia Club takes it outside all masonic authority although it may be composed exclusively of members.

Request for the ceremony of masons in laying corner-stones of churches was declined by the grand master because he thought he was acting "in the true interest of the purposes of the church as well' as masonry. The committee on jurisprudence took strong exception to this attitude, holding it proper to lay corner-stones of churches.

The grand orient of Italy has been invading the territory of various grand jurisdictions by chartering lodges within them. Not many lodges in this country recognize this Italian grand body. Louisiana is in fraternal communication with this grand orient. Strong protest is made against the invasion.

MASONIC REAL ESTATE BUSINESS.

The masonic temple at New Orleans, the property of the grand lodge, has proven to be a good deal of a load to carry and an effort has been made to dispose of it. Owing to the condition of the building and the possibility of it being sold, tenants have been hard to secure. The income from that source has, therefore, fallen off. The grand master has sound views regarding this. He says—

My personal preference is to get the body out of the real estate business altogether except in so far as the ownership of our cemetery is concerned, and that exception only because it now is too late to divest ourselves of it. If it be your will that the grand lodge continue to own its domicile, I earnestly recommend that all thought of continuing the policy of a building partly used for commercial purposes be abandoned. It is gratifying to know that the disposition of the grand master and the grand lodge is to go out of the real estate business and to build structures wholly devoted to masonry.

RELIEF LODGE.

Louisiana's unique organization known as the "Louisiana Relief Lodge No. 1" has prospered. This lodge is devoted entirely to the relief of worthy, distressed sojourning masons. During the year the sum of \$2,363.45 was used for this purpose. Masons from thirty-one states and provinces were relieved. One hundred dollars were given to help members of lodges in Illinois. New Oreans is so cosmopolitan in character that many a stranded one may find this relief lodge a haven of refuge.

Two applications were received for recognition. One was from the grand orient of Roumania. This was declined because it appeared that there were but two lodges constituting this grand body. One of the fundametals for recognition of grand lodge or grand orient is that three lodges must participate. The other came from grand lodge of Nicaragua. The committee on correspondence reported this grand lodge as regular and it was accepted. Our sister of the south is very liberal in its recognition of other grand lodges.

The annual oration was delivered by Bro. George Kent. This was a production of merit and received the description of "a scholarly and instructive address which was delivered in a forceful style and which was listened to by the grand lodge with intense and deepest and interest."

A PRIVILEGE NOT A RIGHT.

The grand master held that masons had a right to visit any other lodge. The committee on law and jurisprudence took square issue on this question holding to the theory that it is a courtesy and not a right. The members of lodges have a right to insist that persons objectionable to them shall not visit in their lodges. This view was accepted by the grand lodge and is in accord with the constitution in most states.

A case was reported of a man who had publicly renounced masonry. The fact was notorious and undisputed. "The grand master ordered the fact to be spread on the minutes of the lodge and directed the passing of a resolution striking his name from the roll and reporting it to the grand secretary. This is a practical solution and seems a good one but it leaves an unsatisfied suggestion that some more drastic means of condemnation should be found."

ANNUAL REVIEW.

The report on correspondence is presented by HERMAN C. DUNCAN, chairman of the committee. Owing to pressure of time he was compelled to omit the review of thirteen grand lodges which had come to his possession. The report as a whole covers sixty-two pages and is rather brief in the details of the proceedings of various grand lodges. Illinois' is for two years, 1911 and 1912. Liberal quotations are made from the reports of Grand Masters Ashley and Darrah. Brother Ash-LEY'S "Masonry and Religion" is given in full with approval. Brother DUNCAN explains what is meant to "adopt" the report of the committee on correspondence. This may be understood so in Louisiana, but in this section if a report is adopted it is held to mean that the grand lodge makes the sentiments expressed its own. However, there is no disposition to find fault with our good brother or his grand lodge. In Illinois the report is presented and without action of the grand lodge ordered to be printed with the proceedings. The scope of this review is that of reporting matters of masonic interest gleaned from various parts of the world. It is for the information of the craft and not for the purpose of committing the grand lodge to the personal views of the writer.

Almost two full pages are taken bodily from the annual report of Grand Master Darrah for 1912.

STILL SWAYED BY RHETORIC.

In referring to the oration by Past Grand Master Bell the writer says-

It was what we are calling in the vulgate of the day a heart-to-heart talk from a man to men. Somebody has said that the days when men are swayed by rhetoric is passed in America. We do not think so. Let us not forget the fellow craft in masonry is taught that it is one of the seven steps in her educational curriculum, and that the forgetfulness of it is one of the sources of the decay among us of "intellectual masonry." May the authorities of the craft provide more such mental pabulum for us, for by doing so we believe the welfare of the institution will be greatly promoted.

Grand master, Emil Sundbery, Napoleonville; grand secretary, Richard Lambert, New Orleans.

MAINE—1913.

203 Lodges.

94TH ANNUAL.

29,872 MEMBERS.

The session was held at Portland, May 6, 7 and 8, 1913. Of the twelve living past grand masters ten were present. Bro. William R. G. Estes, representing Illinois, responded and was active in the business of the session.

In his annual address Grand Master Spofford urges the progress of world peace. In this he says—

The feeling is stronger and more general throughout the world today than ever before that war should cease. It is no longer said that "Might makes right." It is believed that all differences among nations, as well as disputes between individuals, may find a just and peaceful settlement in courts established for the purpose. As conflicting claims between men are adjusted in our courts of law, so may disputes which arise among nations be submitted for settlement to an independent and impartial tribunal of arbitration whose judgment will be righteous and just.

The teachings of freemasonry are being widely diffused throughout the world. The cardinal principles of our beloved institution are being adopted and used as corner-stones upon which to build the happiness, prosperity and peace of the world. More men have espoused brotherly love, relief and truth as the tenets of their lives than ever before; and here and everywhere there are more men joining the old prophet of Israel in the sentiment: "Help everyone his neighbor! and let everyone say to his brother, be of good courage." It is this ever growing spirit of love, truth and helpfulness which will surely "beat swords into plowshares and spears into pruning-hooks; nation will not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more," and the time is hastening when our great fraternity shall be joined by the peoples of the world in the glad acclaim of "Peace on earth, good will toward men."

The death of Grand Tyler WARREN O. CARNEY is reported. He was a man of unusual devotion and of pious character.

The grand lodge has relieved the grand master from issuing dispensations for lodges to attend church in a body. The law provides that this may be done without authority.

Recognition was asked by San Domingo and Costa Rica. After the report from the committee on correspondence these requests were denied. The grand master reports that no decisions are needed. His work along this line has been merely the construction of existing laws.

CITIZENS NOT MASONS.

A petition was presented to him for a pardon of one serving a sentence imposed on him by the naval authority of the United States. The

petitioners represent themselves as members of a regular masonic lodge and the convict was a mason. The grand master was asked to present this petition to the president of the United States. It is needless to say that the request was denied. Such a petition to the president would be most presumptuous. The grand master's own language is so excellent that it is given in full. He says—

The petitioners should act in the character of citizens and ask for the pardon of the convict upon other grounds than that he is a mason. Masons are lovers of law and order, good government and efficient administration of public affairs, and they adhere to the proposition that all men are alike and equal before the law. It is our privilege, as citizens, to petition the government for the redress of wrongs and in the interest of justice, and it would be our duty so to petition for the commutation of sentence of one, especially a mason, who had already suffered adequate punishment for his offense; but the petition for clemency should be based upon the ground of justice and not upon the fact that the prisoner is a mason. It would be a perversion of masonry to inject it into our courts or departments of government to prejudice or influence the due administration of law and justice.

PLIED WITH FOOLISH QUESTIONS.

The grand secretary in his report gives numerous instances where members seek information, much of which it is impossible to give. He says—

Committees of grand lodges write for statistics and information of every kind, and I furnish it as best I can. The lady who wishes to join the Eastern Star and asks me to look through fifty years of the returns of 200 lodges to find if her father was a member, asks too much. The one who wishes me to certify that her father was a member, although he was killed in battle before affiliation, had to be disappointed. It was not until 1872, seven years after the war, that a candidate raised became a member without applying for affiliation. Of course all questions about the regulations are cheerfully answered.

Also request was made for a list of clandestine lodges. The grand secretary answered by referring them to the list of regular lodges as prepared and published by Illinois. In the summary of statistics it is shown that the average lodge membership is 147.15.

On the second afternoon the grand lodge was turned over to the workers of a lodge at Lewiston and the master mason's degree was conferred in open grand lodge.

No Home in Maine.

One year ago a committee was appointed to consider the desirability of the establishment of a Masonic Home. The committee reports adversely and by a unanimous vote this is adopted. In this connection it may be noted that Maine has a charity fund of considerable proportions. The trustees show a total of over \$68,000. From this an income of a little over \$3,000 is realized. The disbursements show \$068 paid to beneficiaries, and \$200 placed in the hands of the grand master for cases of emergency. Here is the case of a grand lodge with nearly 30,000 members spending a trifle over \$1,000 for the help of the needy. The committee's report in regard to the home shows that it might cost \$1 per member to maintain it. With a membership no larger than Maine this would not be over stating the cost. When it is considered that the unsystematic care of the distressed is so inadequate, the cost of \$1.00 per member per year, seems insignificant. Most masons would spend double that in personal gratification and in useless ways every week. It is appalling that they should be asked to pay \$1.00 per member to make sure the safety and comfort of a worthy, needy brother and his dependents. Illinois has found the Home system the most satisfactory. If the brethren of Maine understood the advantages, it can scarcely be doubted that they would adopt this plan. The report of the trustees of the charity fund shows eighty-six applications for aid. \$2,855,00 was voted to pay the schedule. A committee of two was appointed to superintend the distribution.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

of grand lodges comes from the experienced hand of Bro. Alero E. Chase. His report is brief and pointed. Nothing but the necessary finds place in the little over 200 pages devoted to the survey of the masonic field. Illinois for 1912 is under review. Referring to the action of Grand Master Darrah, he says that "he re-organized the district deputy system and found out what we in Maine have long known, that it was the best method of inspection of lodges, especially when the expense was paid by the grand lodge."

Quotation is made of Brother Darrah's comment on "Discipline," "Cipher Rituals" and "Intellectual Masonry." He gives the reference made by Grand Master Darrah to smoking in the lodge room and says that "we regret that he had to write" this.

SEES BUT ONE SIDE.

Brother Chase quotes from the report of the Illinois committee on correspondence the reference to documentary evidence and then adds—

And yet there is the other side of the picture. To be sure it may be plain board, thin to a great degree, but yet sufficiently strong to prevent any damage. Yes, he knows that he is a mason in good standing, but Alas! poor Hiram, he does not carry his receipts in his pocket, although he names to you his lodge and its location, so away he is sent without

having an opportunity to tell what he knows of masonry, which he may have learned, perhaps, while sojourning in Illinois, from those printed rituals so prevalent there as it would appear from the address of the M.W. grand master.

Our good brother overlooks the requirement that this evidence of good standing and membership in regular lodge is only in addition to strict trial and due examination required. The brother who travels and desires to avail himself of the privilege of visiting lodges is not entitled to much sympathy if "he does not carry his receipts in his pockets." In this age of counterfeits, lodges cannot be too careful to protect themselves against impostors and dead beats. It is very little hardship to require a visitor to show his receipt for dues that it may be known that he is not under suspension or expulsion and that the lodge from which he comes is not spurious.

Brother Chase indicates that Maine agrees with Illinois in having no rule prohibiting persons from petitioning who are engaged in the liquor business. Both grand lodges leave the decision of this question to the discretion of the individual lodge.

The death of Past Grand Master Charles F. Hitchcock of Illinois, is suitably noted in the review.

Grand master, Elmer P. Spofford, Deer Isle; grand secretary, Stephen Berry, Portland.

MANITOBA—1913.

74 Lodges.

38th Annual.

6,455 Members.

The grand lodge in this Canadian province was held June 11, 1913, and the proceedings reached this reviewer's table August 9. The book of proceedings is most creditable. Most Worshipful Bro. John Leslie was present and represented Illinois. The address of the grand master, Bro. William Chambers, was a brief but forceful document. Of the institution of masons he says—

The masonic order seems so wonderful to me that I think the Most High 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 or religion, but nevertheless it combines the different faiths in a unit, where no contention exists.

After showing the condition of the craft Brother Chambers exalts the local lodge. He says—

The real seat of interest must always be in the subordinate lodge. The older members of the grand lodge, who have been coming here for many years, have a natural attachment for the grand lodge as such, but I believe it is true that no mason will long keep a true and warm interest in masonic matters if he neglects his subordinate lodge, attends none of its meetings, and gets out of touch with its membership.

Masonry Abroad.

Brother Chambers found opportunity during his term of office to travel in foreign countries. He went through Mexico, the Hawaiian Islands, China and Japan. Referring to his reception by masons while he was abroad, he says—

I have met brethren hailing from many jurisdictions, and I assure you that it has been to me an inspiration and an incentive to help on the propagation of our grand principles of "friendship and brotherly love."

To meet with so much courtesy and kindness and have the glad hand of a brother mason extended to you thousands of miles away from the home land, proves the true spirit of masonry exists among the brethren the world over, and shows that we do not really comprehend what masonry should do to promote peace and harmony on this world of ours.

EMPTY HONORS.

Manitoba indulges in the useless but harmless custom of conferring honorary ranks on those who are not entitled to them. On motion the grand lodge gave the rank of past grand master to a man who had never served in the capacity of grand master. This may be gratifying to the recipient, but it is hardly fair to those who have actively filled the great position that others should share the same title with those who have earned the honors.

The board of general purposes reports that "combined form of receipt for dues and visiting certificate has proven in every way satisfactory. All subordinate lodges have been supplied with these forms and same are now in general use." This is the plan adopted by our grand lodge last year and is now ready to be put into use.

Owing to the condition of harmony prevailing the committee on grievances and appeals reports nothing doing. Endorsing this, the committee on jurisprudence finds that it has no duties to perform.

The death of Past Grand Master Charles F. Hitchcock of Illinois, is suitably recorded.

No review of grand lodges is made. It does not appear that any committee is provided for that purpose.

Grand master, Edward M. Walker, Winnipeg; grand secretary, James A. Ovas, Winnipeg.

MARYLAND—1912.

114 Lodges.

126TH ANNUAL.

15,201 MEMBERS.

In the heading over the semi-annual occurs these words "commemorating the 125th, but in fact the 129th anniversary of the formation of the grand lodge." No explanation is given of the discrepancy, showing why the four years of age are lost. A gain in membership of 711 is shown, although the number of lodges remains at 114.

The semi-annual was at Easton May 14, 1912. A memorial service was held at the grave of Dr. John Coats, the first grand master of masons in Maryland who died in 1810. P.G.M. John M. Carter delivered an appropriate address.

Both at the semi-annual and annual meetings the grand lodge was opened by the deputy grand master and Grand Master Shryock was escorted into the grand lodge and formally introduced. As our distinguished brother is serving his twenty-eighth consecutive year, it may be assumed that he is fairly well known to the craft. He scarcely needs two introductions to them each year.

The venerable Edward T. Schultz, past senior grand warden and masonic historian of Maryland, presented through the grand chaplain, an interesting document entitled "Origin of Freemasonry." Brother Schultz is more than 80 years of age and has long been the committee on correspondence.

The annual convened at Baltimore November 19, 1912.

TALKS BUT DOES NOT WRITE.

As usual the grand master made "a verbal address on matters of interest to the craft." Perhaps no other grand master thus buries the doings of his office. There must be many matters of interest and value to the craft of Maryland that should be reported and made a permanent record.

Bro. Thomas J. Shryock was elected grand master for the twenty-eighth time and by a unanimous vote. During the election and installation the masonic choir sang various selections. Maryland stands unique. She has but one living past grand master. This is Bro. James M. Carter, elected in 1878. Apparently, so long as Brother Shryock lives, no one else is ever thought of for the head of the fraternity.

The "In Memoriam" contains the name of "M.W. Bro. Charles F. Hitchcock, past grand master of Illinois. Died October 26, 1912."

THE REVIEW OF GRAND LODGES

Comes from Bro. Edward T. Schultz and is his twenty-sixth report. Though aged and feeble, Brother Schultz's mental vigor has not abated. The review is full of interest.

Illinois for 1911 is summarized. The action of Grand Master ASHLEY and the approval of the committee on jurisprudence, regarding the discipline of a master and his lodge for violating the law relating to physical qualifications, were endorsed. The "big lodges" of the report of the Illinois reviewer was quoted in full.

Brother Schultz agrees with the writer in seeing no propriety in a grand lodge dedicating a cathedral which is devoted to other than masonic uses. The Maryland review of this state is made up largely of quotations from the Illinois proceedings. There certainly is force in Brother Schultz's point in the following extract. He says that—

Brother Scott, noticing the remark of your committee that "nor can a grand lodge make that unlawful which is not unlawful under the laws of the state," says:

"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."

Perhaps our remarks were too broad and sweeping. We, however, only substituted grand lodge for constituent lodge in the following, adopted by his grand lodge:

"A constituent lodge cannot, in the judgment of your committee, by legislation make that unlawful which is neither unlawful nor unmasonic

under the laws of the state or the laws of this grand lodge."

In the view of this writer, the committee on masonic jurisprudence of Illinois could, with profit, reconsider its attitude in this direction.

THE TWILIGHT GUILD.

In his conclusion the death of P.G.M. Thos. M. Matthews, of Texas, and P.G.M. Christopher Diehl, of Utah, are given prominence. He refers to them as "members of the Octogenarian Round Table." He then adds—

Companion Southgate, of North Carolina, having passed his eightieth milestone, is entitled to a seat at the Octogenarian Round Table. The little coterie is now composed of the following members: Wm. A. Davies, of California, Wm. Y. Titcomb, of Alabama, James Southgate, of North Carolina, and Edw. T. Schultz, of Maryland.

At the age of eighty-six and in his fifty-ninth year as a mason, Brother Schultz continues in these words:

That after these many months of labor I find myself as fresh as when I commenced and I think that after a few days' rest I could be ready to commence the preparation of the next year's reports. And I do not know how better to close these remarks than by also repeating the words I then used: "If this be my final conclusion, may it also be my benediction to my brethren and companions of the corps, my good friends in and out of the fraternity, and to all good masons whereso-ever dispersed."

Our good brother's premonition proved correct. The boatman called for him March 11, 1913, and ferried him over to "eternal refreshment in the paradise of Gop."

Grand Master Shryock sent out a beautiful tribute in memory of Brother Schultz. He designated him as the "Historian of freemasonry in Maryland" and concluded by giving Brother Schultz's benediction quoted above.

Grand master, Тномаѕ J. Shryock, Baltimore; grand secretary, Geo. Соок, Baltimore.

MASSACHUSETTS—1912.

252 Lodges.

179TH ANNUAL.

63,290 Members.

In perusing the proceedings of this ancient grand lodge one is overwhelmed with the number of meetings held during the year. Ouarterly sessions were held in March, June, September and December. Then on St. John's Day, December 27, is the stated meeting. During the year there were special meetings January 18, April 18, May 23, May 30, September 26, October 10 and November 10. The old Bay State is probably so set in its habits that it could not be induced to adopt the plan of the one meeting of grand lodge for the year-the most common method adopted by grand lodges throughout the world. At the beginning of the meeting in March, Adolph L. Fitzgerald, past grand master of masons in Nevada, was introduced and welcomed. An effort was made to secure the attendance of the governor-general of Canada, who is also. when at home, grand master of masons in England. The invitation was sent in the name of the "oldest grand lodge in the Western Hemisphere," but the same was fraternally declined by the distinguished Canadian official because of his civic position. In signing the letter declining the

invitation he does not use his civic title, the DUKE OF CONNAUGHT, or governor-general of Canada. He signs it merely, "ARTHUR, grand master of England."

ORPHANS' CRY HEARD.

In reporting the work of the board of masonic relief, prominence is given to the work of the women's auxiliary to the committee. This shows cash received of over \$7,000. About half of which was expended for various items for the comfort of those in the Home. The women of this state are busy, as elsewhere, in caring for the needy.

The Masonic Home at Charlton, though of recent establishment, appears to be on a firm foundation and has started into a career of great usefulness. So far, provision has only been made for infirm masons, their wives and widows. Nothing has been done toward caring for the orphans. The committee properly says—

That any scheme of philanthropy is imperfect which cares only for those who are passing off of the stage of action, whose usefulness to the world is over, and whose hold on life is already broken; while it neglects those who have the years of manhood and womanhood before them, who are to become, if properly nurtured and fitted for those duties and responsibilities, a strength and a blessing, but, uncared for, a source of weakness and perhaps of disgrace and shame. The work we have begun at Charlton is not to be impeded or hindered, but beyond it lies the fact that our hands have been set to the plough and that we cannot look back.

The grand master says-

The Masonic Home continues its prosperity. There are twenty-eight persons—recipients of your kindness: three have died during the summer. Without any debt, beautiful for situation, wisely managed, the Home is an honor to the fraternity, and a blessing to our aged and infirm brethren.

The committee after considering the claim of the grand orient of Italy, reports that the foundation for recognition has not been sufficiently laid. The request, therefore, was declined.

The grand lodge of Vermont was in session at the same time as the grand lodge of Massachusetts. Mutual greetings were exchanged between these close fraternal neighbors.

JOHN PAUL JONES.

The grand master called upon M.W. Bro. Gallagher for information regarding the great admiral, John Paul Jones. This embraced a fac-simile of the application of this distinguished naval commander for admission into freemasonry in Scotland. It appears that the real name of this man was John Paul. The word Jones was added to his name

because when John Paul and his brother became possessed of extensive planations in Virginia, a man by that name was their strong friend and patron. At his death John Paul succeeded to both the property and the name and he, therefore, became John Paul Jones. He also refers to the statement that while standing on the deck of the Bonhomme Richard and demand was made from the Serapis for him to surrender, the answer came—"Surrender! I have not yet begun to fight." During the year a statue of John Paul Jones was erected at Potomac Park in the city of Washington. At the unveiling George Von L. Meyer, of Massachusetts, secretary of the navy, presided. President William H. Taft made the address and the cords by which the statue was unveiled were drawn by the hero of Manila Bay, Admiral Dewey. An oration was delivered by Gen. Horace Porter, who at his own expense, while ambassador at Paris, had the body of Jones disinterred and returned to the United States.

Massachusetts is nothing if not historical. Hence this bit of the past is properly presented for the information of those who had not access to the proceedings of this grand lodge.

NOT AS A LODGE.

Grand Master Benton very wisely says-

The permission so often asked that lodges may attend Divine service in regalia may also be a matter for consideration. If the members of a lodge wish to go to church individually, or collectively, without the insignia of the fraternity, there is, of course, no objection to their doing so.

Though not specifically so stated, it is evident the grand master holds that appearing in masonic regalia at church would be unmasonic and improper.

It is noted that one lodge in the Canal Zone composed mainly of American citizens organized as a lodge under the grand lodge of Scotland had surrendered their charter that they might be directly allied with the brethren of their own country. Massachusetts was asked to issue the charter for this and a lodge on the Pacific side of the Isthmus.

Attention is called to the crime of using cipher rituals. The penalty of this under Massachusetts masonic law is expulsion from the rights and privileges of masons.

LODGES OVER THE WORLD.

It appears from the report that the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts has under its control three lodges in China, three in Chile and two in the Canal Zone. Our Bay State brethren are somewhat cosmopolitan in their organization. These lodges in the far away lands are made up largely of English speaking people who have their residence in that country. Of those composed of natives of China, Japan or other countries not built upon the Great Light in masonry, the number is almost nil.

An appeal was presented from so-called lodges in Salonika, Turkey, asking for aid against ravages of war. The answer to this was in these words—

Without presuming to consider the question of masonic recognition, I would recommend that, in consideration of the masonic spirit in this letter, our grand treasurer be instructed to forward the sum of \$100 for the benefit of suffering humanity.

THE ANNUAL FEAST.

At the stated meeting December 27 the feast of St. John, as usual, constituted a great event. Bro. Henry Endicott, senior past grand master at the advanced age of 88, presided. The brilliancy of the oratorical splendor was almost dazzling. The length of these addresses is such as to preclude the possibility of mentioning even the names of those who took part. If the persons attending did not have mental dyspepsia it was because they did not sit through the feast of reason.

Massachusetts has little faith in the value of intercourse between grand lodges. It does not have representatives, nor review of proceedings of the other grand bodies of the world. This is a double misfortune, but chiefly to the craft of Massachusetts. Other grand lodges are deprived of the benefit of the wisdom that would be embraced in a review by some distinguished brother of that grand jurisdiction. Massachusetts brethren have little opportunity of knowing of the doings of the craft throughout the world.

Grand master, Everett C. Benton, Boston, Mass.; grand secretary, Thomas W. Davis, Boston.

MICHIGAN-1913.

424 Lodges.

69TH ANNUAL.

71,752 MEMBERS.

That masonry is a growing institution in the Wolverine state is shown by the net increase in membership of 3.355. The grand secretary is quite accommodating in his statistics. Two or three items may be of some interest. There are 1.741 life members. He shows that dues are remitted for 958 people and there were rejected 611 applicants, thus proving that there is proper discrimination. As usual the high grade of printing and a handsome art gallery characterize the book. Grand Master Francis D. Clarke occupies a full page, while his eleven associate officers are grouped together on the opposite side. Then comes a brief biographical sketch of the grand master. Instead of proceedings the Michigan report is classed as "transactions." The session was held at Lansing, May 27 and 28. Where grand lodges move from place to place in their annual meeting there is usually a formal welcome extended.

THE MAYOR KNOWS.

In this case Mayor J. G. Reutter was more than the mere perfunctory welcomer. He knows something about masonry as will be shown by the following:

Time was when the institution was not universally respected as it is today. It has been assailed by enemies who knew no mercy, and who were numerous and noisy; who hurled defiance and anathemas at us with all the strength and venom at their command. She has been the subject of attack by both religious and political enemies. She has been scourged by fire and sword, and sentenced to destruction in every form that human ingenuity could devise. But notwithstanding this, it has survived and is recognized today as an element of strength to every community, and a factor in the world's progress.

Its civilizing influence is now felt in the remotest corner of the earth. Her philosophy and creed are the outgrowth of centuries of the world's best thought; her teachings leave the most solemn and lasting impression upon her initiates.

To this the grand chaplain was called upon to respond.

A Unique Honor Roll.

An unusual feature appears under the "roll of honor," with this title, "We shall meet, but we shall miss them." Then follows the names, date of service and date of death of forty-one past grand masters of that state. Fourteen past grand masters were present and took

part in the proceedings. Illinois was represented by Bro. Arthur M. Hume. The annual address by Grand Master James H. Thompson is unusually full of interest as such documents go. This one gem of truth is worth reproducing—

Masonry, by its magic touch, brightens and makes secure the journey of life, transforms homely tasks into deeds of chivalry; and to him who learns its lessons aright, the ordinary duties which would in themselves be drudgery become the inspired actions of a great soul.

The death of Past Grand Master Charles F. Hitchcock is given with a brief review of his masonic life and character.

Among dispensations is one to Ashlar lodge of Detroit to visit St. George lodge of Toronto to pay a fraternal visit and exemplify the work of the third degree. Since the trouble a few years ago about a Michigan lodge going over into Canada without permission, masons on both sides of the border have been more circumspect.

MASONIC GOAT WENT ASTRAY.

The grand lodge of Michigan has a goat. Much has been heard and said about the masonic goat, but the real article is to be found in the peninsular state. To get a correct idea of what is meant it will be necessary to read the following;

At the time of the dedication of the masonic hall of Harbor Springs, the official suit-case, technically known and designated as the goat, was stolen while in the custody of the Grand Rapids and Indiana Railroad Company. The miscreant who purloined the same evidently thought he had secured a case of jewelry, but on finding out to the contrary threw it into the Bay, retaining only the jewels, probably not then aware that they were made of cast iron. The aprons were ruined, but through the courtesy of the railroad company, by its personal representative, Bro. John H. P. Hughart, the jewels and aprons have been replaced with new ones and your official staff is properly adorned, and without expense to the grand lodge.

The decisions reported are of local character and furnish little interest outside. Under the head of discipline a very disagreeable case was reported, but the grand master was wise enough to give it in such general terms as not to cause anyone to blush.

All except two of the grand lodges of Germany were during the year recognized by Michigan and representatives were appointed.

Few American grand lodges are able to find sufficient of the essentials to enable the establishment of fraternal relations with German grand bodies.

The Masonic Home at Alma, the gift a few years ago of a generous man who was not a mason, appears to be in a most flourishing condition.

THE EASTERN STAR WELCOMED.

Michigan invited the grand chapter of Eastern Star to suggest two members of the board of control of the home. This met a response in the provision that each worthy grand matron shall, during her term of office, be the representative and to serve for one year thereafter. This will give two members and make the representatives consist of the grand matron and the junior past grand matron. During the session of grand lodge Mrs. Minnie E. Keyes, worthy grand matron, was introduced to the grand lodge while it was in recess. She made a stirring address and in this proposed that the Eastern Star would undertake the full charge of caring for the orphans. One paragraph from Mrs. Keyes' address will be of interest.

Our order does not expect nor desire to walk abreast with yours, the oldest and noblest of institutions, but we do seek to foster and promote in our chapters the true spirit of masonry and to supplement its every benevolent principle. By the laws of the Ancient Order of Freemasonry, women are not eligible to its degrees. But woman's heart beats responsive to the same inspiration that prompts man to noble deeds. She hears the cry of the orphan, the call of want, and the piteous wail of sorrow. She honors the brotherhood for its noble work and seeks, through the Eastern Star, to be a co-worker with her masonic brother; to pay the tribute of her love and labor at the same shrine and, finally, to receive the reward that comes from a life of worthy service.

In accepting the proposition to take charge of the orphans the committee says—

The care of children is the highest and noblest work of woman; that for which she was created; shall we then deny our mothers and wives and our sisters the privilege of doing that which we ought to do, but they can do much better? Your committee, therefore, recommends that the offer of the Order of the Eastern Star be accepted, the details thereof to be arranged by the most worshipful grand master, deputy grand master and board of control.

INCONGRUITY HARD TO RECONCILE.

It must be confessed that the reading of the following sub-head "Annual Lodge of Sorrow and Pig Dinner" produced something of a shock and raised serious thought of impropriety. The grand master says that "it had always seemed somewhat incongruous to me that the two events should be associated, but after this, my first attendance on Sunday, October 6, the combination seemed fitting and natural. The lodge of sorrow in remembrance of the friends gone, the official dinner and interchange of thought to cement the friendship of the friends remaining, and the well known hospitality of the Dowgiac brethren, will

always be recalled with pleasure and the events of the day will always be remembered as among the many which have added to the joys of the year." It certainly would take the actual participation in such an event to remove the apparent absurdity of combining a "lodge of sorrow" with a "pig dinner." It must be taken, however, that the grand master's endorsement is sufficient to make it orthodox.

HE MUST BE GREAT.

It is not often that a grand officer receives at the hand of the grand master such a pleasing compliment as Brother Thompson gave to the grand chaplain when he says—

Gracious in manner, of pleasing personality, a profound scholar, masterly in appearance, no grand lodge function is complete unless graced by his presence. As restful as "tired eyelids upon tired eyes," falls the cadence of his tones at corner-stone layings and dedications. Always in demand, always willing to respond, the work incident to his office requires much time and the mileage and per diem barely cover expenses.

He followed this with a recommendation that the grand chaplain be paid \$500 per annum in addition to mileage and per diem.

TWO NEAR CENTENARIANS.

One of the most unusual incidents of the Grand Lodge of Michigan, and one scarcely to be duplicated elsewhere, was in the reception of Past Grand Master William T. Mitchell and Bro. Calvin Thompson. Brother Mitchell was received on his 96th birthday. His speech was a benediction. He appears to be in good mental condition and with promise of reaching the century mark.

Grand Master Thompson followed this with the introduction of his own father who will soon celebrate his 91st birthday. In presenting his father the grand master used the following words;

The king can do no wrong, and likewise the grand master of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Michigan is a law unto himself; and now that we have introduced one "young man" to this audience, I want to crave your forbearance and give myself the pleasure of introducing another "young man" who has been my friend for a great many years.

Truly these two venerable men go far toward establishing the fact that good men are willing to devote their lives to the great fraternity.

On the report of the committee on correspondence the grand lodge of the Philippine Islands was recognized as legitimate and preparation made for an exchange of representatives.

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THE CEMENT OF FRATERNITY.

As showing the cordial relation that prevails in these latter days between great fraternities, it was pleasing to note that the grand master and grand secretary of the Odd Fellows of Michigan extended cordial greetings with good wishes for harmony and "continued prosperity of the great and noble fraternity you represent." There was a time when fraternities thought it necessary to fight each other as competitors. That feeling does not now exist. All recognize that there is plenty of room and to spare for all the great work these brotherhoods are doing in the world.

The committee on jurisprudence held that it was legal for a lodge to make a by-law requiring dues to be paid in advance. The new grand master, Dr. F. D. Clarke, is the superintendent of the Michigan state school for the deaf. During the session his teachers, officers and pupils sent a telegram congratulating their superintendent on his election as grand master.

MUST BE UNSEASONED.

Under the law of Michigan the secretary is the committee on correspondence. The law further provides that "The committee shall refrain from criticism of such proceedings, as well as promulgating the opinion of the committee upon decisions, laws and regulations of this or any other grand lodge." If anyone has ever attempted to eat a juicy, tender beefsteak without seasoning he can appreciate what it is for a grand lodge to muzzle its correspondent. Brother Winson presents his tenth report and does as well as anyone could who is prohibited from giving the setting of the clippings he makes from the proceedings of other grand jurisdictions. He could much more intelligently advise the masons of Michigan if he were allowed to indulge in comment and criticism. As it is now, he is simply a clipping bureau and his report consists almost entirely of extracts taken from the proceedings of other grand lodges.

In his review of Illinois for 1912 many of the pungent portions of the report of Grand Master Darrah are given. Liberal quotation is made from the report on correspondence appearing in the Illinois proceedings. The work of Brother Winsor is conscientiously and faithfully done and, within the limits prescribed, mortal man could hardly do more.

Grand master, Francis D. Clarke, Flint; grand secretary, Lou B Winson, Reed City.

MINNESOTA-1913.

256 Lodges.

60TH ANNUAL.

27,446 MEMBERS.

The book of proceedings opens with a full page picture of the grand master for 1912, Bro. OWEN MORRIS. It is very evident from this that a forceful man was in charge of that grand lodge last year. The grand master's address carries out the impression made by his appearance in the opening pages. It is a business document dealing little with rhetoric or well-rounded phrases. He reports but few decisions, saying that it would be unwise to quote the many rulings he has made because most of them are covered entirely by the masonic code of Minnesota.

SUNDAY FOR REST.

In one decision he holds that "it is not proper for the grand lodge on the Sabbath Day to lay the corner-stone of a building, even of a church. In imitation of the Creator of the Universe the craft should rest upon the seventh day and should thereon adore their maker." In another he holds that one who has lost half of the first two fingers of the right hand is not disqualified for membership. This is in strong contrast with a decision by the grand master of Mississippi who decided that one who had lost the first joint of the little finger on the right hand was physically disqualified.

Here are two extremes. In the Minnesota case the brother evidently could not comply with the requirements of the degrees. In the other, he could fully do so. In another decision he states that "a slight lateral curvature of the spine does not disqualify a petitioner. Extraordinary deformities alone disqualify. Speaking generally the internal rather than the external qualifications of a man recommend him masonically."

No Masons at Sight.

Brother Morris received three requests to make masons at sight. All of these were declined. He thinks the caudidate needs the impressions of the ceremonies and the instruction of the degrees. Lack of time was the reason given in each of these cases. The grand master did not deem this sufficient reason for resorting to the extraordinary method of making masons.

The Welsh masons of Minnesota thought much of the graud master of their own nationality. To symbolize this they presented him with a handsome loving cup inscribed as a gift to "Owen Morris by Welsh

Masons, 1912." This was accompanied by a reception at the West hotel. All of those present were Welsh-Americans.

CAN'T ADORN MASONRY.

Grand Master Morris speaks in no uncertain way regarding the disposition to make masonry attractive by the use of spectacular effects. On this subject he says—

In years past, a number of accessories by way of gorgeous robes, shifting scenery and elaborate music came into use in this jurisdiction, especially in some of the larger city lodges. Upon investigation these accessories were practically cut out as derogatory rather than helpful to the work, and it was sought to have the work exemplified as it was about fifty years ago in this jurisdiction. In favor of this elimination was quoted poetry from Kipling:

"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 point of this poetry is that they kept the ancient landmarks notwithstanding lack of regalia and the bareness of the walls—they kept the ancient landmarks in the face of difficulties, and they are to be commended for it. This quatrain is no argument against regalia or pleasant surroundings.

Following this, at considerable length, Brother Morris argues conclusively against the growing notion that masonry can be beautified and adorned at every turn of the road by some brother who has discovered a beautiful sentiment or a few lines of poetry.

LOOKING TO A HOME.

The grand lodge voted \$2,000 with which to purchase four memberships of \$500 each in the Minnesota Masonic Home. The report of the Home Association shows that there is in the treasury about thirty thousand dollars or nearly one-third of the amount required to be raised before the Home can be located and constructed. An increase in interest in this enterprise is reported.

It seems the plan is to sell \$500 memberships. Also there is the method of popular subscription of \$5 each, paying \$1 per year for five years. Each subscriber to this fund is to be known as a patron of the Home and a record of the same to be kept in the archives of the grand lodge for future reference.

ONE SUCH TOO MUCH.

The committee on foreign correspondence reports a communication from the grand lodge of Mexico asking that two grand lodges in that republic be recognized. Brother Todd, chairman of the committee, reports adversely. He says that "it is a well established masonic principle that there can be but one legitimate grand lodge in any given territory at the same time. All others necessarily are clandestine." Brother Todd further refers to the International Masonic Club of London as hardly proper for consideration by his grand lodge. He recommends that the request for recognition be placed on file and suitably acknowledged. The committee on jurisprudence endorsed the attitude of the grand master requiring applications for extension of the courtesies of conferring degrees from foreign jurisdictions to go through the office of the grand master of each grand jurisdiction.

A list of the deceased of other jurisdictions is given. In this appears the name of Charles F. Hitchcock, of Illinois.

THE USUAL CRISP REVIEW.

The report on correspondence comes again from the hand of Bro. Irving Todd. This is a bright, crisp and pointed document. As heretofore mentioned, Brother Todd has few rivals in his ability to condense. Brevity has grown to be such a habit with him that he probably could not write any other way if he desired. He reviews the proceedings of Illinois for 1912. He says that the grand master's address "is an able presentation of masonic affairs in that large jurisdiction, all the statistics being relegated to the appendices, a very satisfactory arrangement for all concerned." He designates Brother Bell's oration as "an interesting address." Almost one-half of the review of Illinois is given over to a summary of the report of the Illinois correspondent for 1912 pertaining to Minnesota. Brother Todd thinks that the Illinois reviewer earns the amount appropriated for the preparation of his report.

The proceedings conclude with a report of the meeting of the Masonic Veteran Association. This was the twenty-first annual reunion. These meetings of the veterans are always held during the session of the grand lodge. A considerable number of new members were admitted and suitable badges for them were ordered. The entire proceedings are filled with interest. Thirty-two pages are required to record the doings of those who have long been working in the quarries.

Grand master, W. Hayes Laird, Winona; grand secretary, John Fishel, St. Paul.

MISSISSIPPI—1913.

359 Lodges.

95TH ANNUAL.

19,103 MEMBERS.

The book of proceedings of this grand lodge is large enough to be quite imposing in appearance. It takes 570 pages to record the business for the year. The number of lodges is not so great as will be seen above, but the details are given to such an extent as to make the proceedings larger than is usual for grand lodges of that size. The year shows a gain in membership of 17.2.

The annual session was held at Gulfport February 18-19, 1013. A public reception was held immediately preceding the opening of grand lodge. A program of speeches, music, etc., constituted the exercises at the public function.

The representative of Illinois did not respond to roll call.

MASONRY A MONARCH.

The address of J. RICE WILLLIAMS, grand master, was a thorough business document. In his prologue he says—

Today masonry stands in all the splendor of an acknowledged monarch, whose sway is worldwide, and whose law is love; whose bond is the magnetic chain of clasped hands that encircles the earth, and whose points of order are those holy "five points" that touch every obligation of man to man and man to God, while the heraldry that emblazons the masonic crest points us to the mysterious light that beams over the mercy seat in the Temple of God.

Among the distinguished dead of other grand jurisdictions the death of Past Grand Master Charles F. Hitchcock, is given a very fitting place.

Insubordination Punished.

The grand master reports the arrest of charter of Vicksburg Lodge No. 26. This appears to have been a very serious case. The grand master referred it to a special committee, which went to the bottom of the affair. Its report covers full forty pages of the proceedings. The lodge was insubordinate to the grand lodge and it became necessary for the grand master to issue an edict debarring all members of that lodge from further participation in masonic transactions. Later, steps were taken so that those who were in no way to blame were freed from the punishment inflicted on those who caused the trouble. It was further voted by the grand lodge that those members who were innocent of wrong doing should be permitted to organize a new lodge bearing the name and number of the one the charter of which had been taken up.

Mississippi has a grand lecturer who understands the requirements of his own state. Bro. Allen Hicks submits his nineteenth annual report. Evidently his work is satisfactory or he would not be so long continued in this important position.

THE NEEDY MASON LEFT OUT.

The Masonic Home appears to be in excellent condition. January 1, 1913, there were 100 children, 35 boys and 65 girls, under the sheltering care of this institution. The report of the board of management shows at the close of the year that it cost \$146.76 to care for each one of these children. There has been accumulated an endowment fund of \$108,244.04. Very decided appreciation is shown of the work of the women of the Eastern Star in maintaining this Home. This was so marked that a resolution was passed thanking them for their very efficient work. There appears one defect in the system of beneficence in this state. No provision is made for the distressed, needy brother, his wife or widow. To remedy this to some extent the following resolution was presented;

Resolved. That the trustees of the Masonic Home be and are hereby further authorized to pay out of the maintenance fund a sum not exceeding \$50, in any one case and in any one year, for the support of any indigent aged brother master mason in good standing, or widow or daughter of a master mason who died in good standing, who is not a charge upon any lodge, upon the certificate of the lodge, under whose jurisdiction such indigent may reside, and under such regulations as may be prescribed by the trustees.

A series of pictures of the Home, superintendent, matron, children, and W. A. ROANE, "who contributed the first dollar to the Masonic Home," is given. The fine face of Brother ROANE indicates the heart of benevolence that made him the leader in this great enterprise.

STRAINING AT A GNAT.

To show that our Mississippi brethren draw the lines pretty taut the following question and answer are submitted;

Question 25—Mr. W. applied for membership and has been duly elected to take the first degree in masonry, and it has been since discovered that he has lost the first joint of the little finger, and the question has arisen if this man can be made a mason.

Answer 25-No, if finger is on right hand.

It will be very difficult to discover how the loss of the first joint of the little finger on the right hand could disqualify a man who was otherwise fitted to take his place in the ranks of the ancient craft.

Very extensive changes were made in the monitor. The report of the committee headed by Brother Hicks, the veteran grand lecturer, was the basis. Many pages are devoted to a list of past grand officers. These begin with 1818. Not only the names of grand officers, but the year and city in which the session was held are also noted. For many years NATCHEZ was the place of meeting. For the last thirty or forty years the sessions have been held at different places as determined by grand lodge. A significant note is made under 1862. It is this—"There was no communication of grand lodge in 1862." To those who have memories reaching back to the days of the civil war, no explanation is needed for this omission.

In the list of representatives of the Grand Lodge of Mississippi to other grand lodges, Illinois is reported as a blank. No one appears to have been a representative of our grand lodge.

REVIEW OF GRAND LODGES.

The annual review is written by Bro. HARRY HOWARD. At the close of his report he says—

Here ends the report. brethren. Tonight is the last of the old year, so I give you two toasts—the first an old one:

"Here's to the brotherhood of masonry, brothers to kings, fellows to princes, companions to beggars."

The second, the English tyler's:

"To all poor, distressed freemasons, wherever they may be scattered over earth and nation; we wish them a speedy release from their sufferings and a quick return to their homes, if they so desire it."

The report made by Brother Howard is his seventh. For reasons not given he voluntarily retires as the correspondent. Past Grand Master OLIVER L. MCKAY was named as his successor. The review is rather a brief one, filling but eighty-two pages.

OUR MOON LODGES.

Brother Howard has a faculty for condensation that is commendable. Among other things he says—

Two hundred and ninety lodges in this state still follow the ancient usage of meeting by the moon, thus creating much trouble and confusion, one lodge not meeting for three months.

The grand master, an up-to-date man, said this should be changed by grand lodge requiring all of its lodges to meet upon fixed dates and put an end to this interminable confusion.

Grand lodge only adopted a recommendation that such lodges should change their by-laws.

How many of the mossbacks will change? we wonder.

The very fact that 200 lodges saw fit to continue the custom of holding their meetings in the light of the moon proves that the flippant question in which they are classed as "mossbacks" is rather out of place. In our splendidly lighted cities this seems foolishness. In the country where many small but excellent lodges are located the importance of having the meetings held at a time when the brethren can see their way going and coming appears the highest point of wisdom. The grand master and the writer of the report on correspondence are usually those who live in the city. It is certain that many of our "moon" masons in Illinois are of the right stamp and worthy of every consideration.

GENESIS AND THE MONKEY.

Of Brother Bell's oration the reviewer says—"At the risk of being called an old fogy, he fought the modern doctrine of the evolution of man, and stated his belief in the first chapter of Genesis." A very large portion of the oration is quoted in full with this introduction, "along toward the end of his preaching he improved and let slip a few good ones." If our brother means to take issue with Brother Bell as to his belief in the first chapter of Genesis, he is welcome to it. If the forceful logic of Brother Bell's evolution and creation cannot penetrate our brother's judgment, it is not easy to see how an impression could be made.

Grand master, Alfred H. Bays, Grenada; grand secretary, Frederic G. Speed, Vicksburg.

MISSOURI-1912.

624 Lodges.

92ND ANNUAL.

55.737 Members.

At St. Louis September 24, 1912, the annual meeting of the Missouri grand lodge began.

The picture and biographical sketch of Arch A. Johnson, grand master, are the opening numbers in the proceedings.

P.G.M. H. H. MEYER, of Arkansas, was early received and greeted with the honors of masonry.

The grand master, in his annual address, says that plans will be formulated during the session for raising money with which "to replace the antiquated central building now in use with a splendid structure in keeping with the needs of the institution."

SOCIAL AMENITIES.

The grand master, among other visits, reports the following:

October 28, as the guest of Missouri Lodge No. 1, I visited Bodley Lodge No. 1, Quincy, Ill., in their beautiful new temple dedicated on that day. We met there M.W. Bro. Dave Jackson, grand master of the state of Kentucky, who was accompanied by Lexington Lodge No. 1, of Lexington, Ky. M.W. Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, grand master of Illinois, accompanied by the grand officers of our sister jurisdiction, welcomed and entertained us in royal style. M.W. Bros. John R. Parson, D. M. Wilson, M.W. Bros. Jacob Lampert, Frank R. Jesse, Julius C. Garrell, F. P. Gibbs and Wm. E. Hoke, honored the occasion with their presence. Our Illinois brethren regaled the vast throng with a sumptuous banquet at six o'clock in the evening, after which a reception was tendered us and the third degree conferred by the officers of Missouri lodge assisted by our grand lodge officers, and one was conferred by the grand lodge officers of Illinois. Our visit was greatly enjoyed.

February 7, George Washington Lodge No. 9 was visited by M.W. Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, grand master of Illinois, accompanied by his associate grand officers. It was my pleasure to be present. Nearly all of the officers of our grand lodge were also its guests on this occasion. The meeting was held at the Scottish Rite cathedral in the city of St. Louis, and over 1,000 members of the fraternity were in attendance. This was truly a great masonic meeting. The third degree was conferred on two candidates, the grand lodge officers of Illinois conferring one and the grand lodge officers of Missouri the other. R.W. Bro. Leon W. Quick is to be congratulated for this splendid meeting.

These were evidently "some big" meetings. Truly the interchange of such visits, not only brings masons of different states closer together, but gives momentum to the great cause of fraternity.

Granad Master Johnson reported the laying of seventeen cornerstones.

MANY DECISIONS

Were reported. In one of these a brother asked for and received a dimit. He changed his mind and wanted to get back. The grand master correctly held that the vote of the lodge granting the dimit severed his membership. He could only become a member again by petition and ballot.

In another case the brethren of a lodge asked if masons were permitted to sign a paper which read as follows;

"To Whom It May Concern:

Grand Master Johnson thought it inadvisable for masons to certify to the quality of a man's "religious and political views." In order to protect itself against excessive expenses in trials, a lodge has the right to require the accuser to elect one or more specifications upon which the trial shall be had. The Illinois way is better. In this state each party to a trial is required to pay the expense of procuring his own evidence. This includes fees of stenographer and typewriter.

MIXING POLITICS WITH MASONRY.

The grand master reports that a masonic paper in Kansas City had a political issue, filled with write-ups of candidates, giving lodge membership and masonic history. The offending publisher was informed that this was a gross violation of masonic law and usage. He pleaded ignorance.

An amendment to the law was presented prohibiting any lodge from contracting "a debt for any purpose or to engage in enterprises to build halls without the consent and approval of the grand master." Rather drastic, but it has in it the suggestion of wisdom.

In its obituaries the committee gives a summary of the masonic achievements of the late Bro. Charles Fisher, P.D.G.M. of Illinois.

HONOR TO O.E.S.

The following vote of appreciation was given-

The Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Missouri in its ninety-second annual communication convened. realizing and appreciating the great and efficient work of self-denial in furnishing and equipping in such an elegant manner the hospital building of the Masonic Home, desires to express to the Order of the Eastern Star its sincere and hearty thanks for this magnificent demonstration of love and fidelity that the Order of the Eastern Star, as an order and as members, has ever shown toward this great masonic charity.

The law was so amended as to change the name "infirmary" to "hospital."

Porto Rico was recognized but San Dominico was put on the waiting list.

In its report the committee on Masonic Home says that-

Next only in importance to the promulgation of the true principles of freemasonry and the inculcation of those doctrines which produce the purest practices and the exemplification of the greatest virtue in our private lives your chief and most practical work is that exhibited in and by the Home.

The committee on appeals and grievances was manifestly a very busy body. It took twenty-four pages, printed in very small type, to contain its report. Names of persons on trial were suppressed in the published report.

APPEAL FROM GRAND MASTER.

A grave doubt was expressed by the committee on jurisprudence as to the right of appeal from the action of the grand master in deposing a worshipful master from office. Such an appeal had been allowed. In Illinois such a suggestion would be deemed preposterous. The grand master always reports his action in such cases for review by the grand lodge.

The committee further expresses the opinion that there is no law either permitting or prohibiting a grand master from waiving jurisdiction over a candidate residing in one state and desiring to unite with a lodge over the line in another jurisdiction. The unwritten law of masonry leaves questions of waiver of jurisdiction between lodges not to the grand master but to the lodges interested. No grand master should consider for a moment that he has a right to waive jurisdiction held by any lodge.

A fine group picture of the "grand officers, 1911-12" graces the proceedings at the close of the record of the session.

Report on

FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE

Comes from the hand of Bro. C. C. Woods. The report is tersely and forcefully written. The reviewer says that—

The proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, for the year 1910-1911, constitute a bulky volume—some 520 pages, all told, but Illinois is a great state and its masonry is proportioned in magnitude—and character—to the territory occupied. The strong face of the passing grand master happily introduces the volume.

Referring to Brother Ashley's refusal to grant dispensations for new lodges when conditions do not warrant them, Brother Woods says, "Would that all grand masters were equally careful of the honor of the fraternity."

"LIBERAL" VS. REGULAR.

The report further says that-

The report on correspondence is voluminous, but exceedingly well written. It covers some 233 pages. Missouri is treated most respectfully, yet there are suggestions of criticism here and there; for instance, the use of the word "recognized," in referring to the visit of Grand Master Hall to the Scottish Rite cathedral, seems to be considered by the correspondent and some others as implying a sort of acknowledgment of masonic character, etc., etc.; whereas, our grand master uses the term only to indicate that he was received with ceremonial and fraternal courtesy.

When a grand master and his staff of officers, as such, officially visit another body in no way a part of ancient craft masonry he certainly does "recognize" the body visited. It may be said in justification that all those of the outside body visited were masons. Suppose the grand master and his corps of officers should visit a grand lodge of Odd Fellows. Would it be a good reason for so doing that all the Odd Fellows were also Masons? Hardly.

The Scottish Rite is one thing and ancient craft masonry quite another. Missouri recognizes fifteen grand bodies that according to Illinois standards are clandestine. They lack some or all the essentials of regularity. The explanation given is as follows;

"Missouri has 'shown' herself to be liberal and we prefer to be mistaken occasionally rather than severely critical." Would it not be better to be right rather than "liberal?" The craft must depend on the grand lodge to guard against the irregular and spurious. Where necessary the governing body owes its constituents the duty of being "severely critical."

Grand master, John Lampert, St. Louis; grand secretary, John R. Parson, St. Louis, 510 Pine St.

MONTANA—1912.

89 Lodges.

48TH ANNUAL.

6,077 Members.

At the last moment the proceedings of this grand lodge reached the reviewer. For the first time since the present writer has been preparing these reports every grand lodge with which Illinois is in fraternal relation is represented in these pages. The grand lodge held its session at Butte, September 18-19, 1912. The proceedings did not arrive until September 13, 1913, a trifle less than one year afterwards. The record shows that "after the usual scrutiny had been made preparatory to opening a lodge of master masons, the grand lodge was opened in ample form on the third degree of masonry by the M.W. grand master." This is a rather unusual method of opening. Most grand lodges refrain from any attempt at ritualistic ceremony. The grand lodge is opened and declared ready for business. The grand master shows that during the past year two past grand masters of that jurisdiction passed away. A very elaborate memorial service was held for them. It is also shown that Past

Grand Master Lewis J. Baker, of Iowa, died while living in Montana. By request of the Iowa authorities suitable masonic ceremonies were conducted.

VALLE DE MEXICO STILL RECOGNIZED.

The grand master reports a representative of Mexico. This represents a grand lodge other than the York grand lodge—presumably Valle de Mexico. Since the secession of the grand secretary and certain other members of Valle de Mexico there has been little, if any, pretense that this body assumes to represent ancient craft masonry. It is under the direction of the Scottish Rite. Why our good brethren of Montana should remain in fraternal touch with them is not easily seen.

"Courtesy Degrees" is a new designation. It merely refers to the conferring of degrees in one grand jurisdiction upon request of another. Under this head three Illinois lodges were extended this courtesy. These were Collinsville, Canton and Rockford. In each case the third degree was conferred.

HE WAS NOT BARRED.

Only two decisions were considered of enough importance to be reported. In one of these a brother who was elected master of his lodge had objections filed against him. These were as to the nature of employment. He had for several years been cashier and accountant for a concern which sold wines, liquors and cigars at wholesale. The grand master decided that the nature of the brother's employment did not render him ineligible or unworthy to become master of his lodge.' Thereupon he was installed. This decision was approved by the grand lodge. In the other case a member of a lodge in another jurisdiction wrote to the secretary a letter which was profane, obscene and unmasonic. The lodge asked that the brother be reprimanded and that the request be forwarded to the grand master of the jurisdiction in which the brother was then residing, with the request that the subordinate lodge nearest the residence of the erring brother, administer the reprimand. The grand master held that a reprimand, public or private, was a masonic penalty and could be inflicted only after a masonic trial by which the offending brother had been found guilty. The soundness of this decision cannot be questioned. A brother cannot be assumed, but must be proven, guilty.

LITTLE BUT GOOD.

Montana has a Masonic Home. It is not very extensive, but is reported as doing excellent work. Ten aged brothers are enjoying its privileges. It appears from the record that no provision is made for widows or orphans. This seems to be a rather narrow provision for caring for those in need. Among the items of expense is that of the burial of

a brother who died at the Home, amounting to \$168.56. Inasmuch as the lodge to which he belonged paid it no one could object. In this state our Home funeral expenses are much less than this sum. Respectful burial is given but at the same time extravagance is kept down.

In Montana the deputy grand master, senior grand warden, junior grand warden and senior grand deacon make reports the same as the grand master. The work is divided up among these officers and each performs some part and reports to grand lodge the results. During the absence of Grand Master Montgomery the deputy grand master says that "On the 20th day of last December we issued our proxy, etc."

Who Else was "We?"

The wonder in the mind of the writer is, who else except the deputy grand master is embraced in the "we." Possibly if a married man, his wife is the other party. Why does not he say I issued this proxy? In the case of a writer of report on correspondence where there is a committee of more than one the "we" is entirely proper, but in case of a committee consisting of one as it does in Illinois and many other grand jurisdictions, if the personal pronoun is used at all, there is no reason why it should not be singular. There is, however, very little use for the writer of these reports being personal in this way. Certainly in the case of the deputy grand master making an individual report he could afford to be specific and say "I" instead of "we." The grand secretary has the "we" habit. He says that "during the past year 'we' were never away from the office more than two days on two different occasions."

Grand Secretary Hedges calls attention to the fact that his father was appointed grand secretary on June 24, 1872—just forty years ago. This makes thirty-five years for the father and five years for the son. Truly this is a long service in one office in one family. It is conclusive evidence that the service has been highly satisfactory. Report is made that the Illinois list of regular lodges is furnished to each lodge in the state.

LIQUOR LAW MADE STRONGER.

The law relating to liquor dealers received an amendment making it more specific. It provides that "persons engaged in the saloon business either as proprietors or employes, are not fit or proper material for the degrees of masonry."

Announcement was made of the serious illness of the mother of Grand Secretary Hedges. It was provided that a "bouquet of flowers be presented to her with the compliments and esteem of the grand lodge." The committee on jurisprudence declared that entered apprentice or fel-

low craft become dropped from the rolls automatically at the expiration of one year if they do not present themselves for advancement. Past Grand Master H. S. Hepner presents the

REPORT ON GRAND LODGES

As chairman of the committee. His opening paragraph is-

Many civic and economic forces are at high tension in our land; political turmoil running rampant; rigid tug of war between capital and labor; advancing cost of living; heightening of the struggle in the race of life; material advancement and discoveries almost beyond comprehension; yet in the masonic world, peace, happiness and contentment hold the fullest sway. Hardly a ripple on the surface has disturbed the progress of the fraternity.

This paragraph indicates the ability with which the review is made for Montana.

Brother Hepner introduces a questionable proceeding in giving the summary of bodies with which his grand lodge is not in fraternal relation. The danger is, that many will misunderstand this, and assume that they are regular. His explanation is that—

As a matter of interest to the craft and not intended as a review of their proceedings by reason of the fact that we are not in fraternal relation or recognition of most of the bodies we beg the liberty of giving brief sketches of the names and histories of the following masonic bodies in the rest of the civilized world. These give the brothers an opportunity of realizing how universal is the great masonic institution to which we belong.

The reason given to show that masonry is universal is hardly sufficient. It does not add to the universality of masonry because they call themselves masonic.

ILLINOIS WELL CONSIDERED.

Illinois is given extensive treatment. He refers to the annual report of Grand Master Ashley as one of the "usual splendid kind delivered by Illinois grand masters." A feeling tribute is paid to the memory of John C. Smith of Illinois. The poem recited by Mrs. Alice J. Whitney at the dedication of the Orphans' Home at LaGrange is given in full.

.. Brother Hepner thinks the decision in the case where a candidate without the forefinger of the right hand had been received and initiated by a lodge was harsh "in the light of the advanced views held by so many grand lodges on the subject of physical perfection; the awful 'physical defect' complained of is really not so terrible as compared with mental deformities (unseen) that afflict so many of the candidates that do gain admission." This is very true, but the decision is strictly in conformity with the law of Illinois requiring that candidates shall be able to comply literally with the requirements of the degrees.

Large quotation is made from the oration of the grand orator, Rev. W. W. Wilson. In referring to the report of the committee of Illinois for last year quotation is made of the entire paragraph referring to big lodges. Also that concerning life membership and Louisiana Relief Lodge No. 1. The entire report of Brother Hepner is a valuable contribution to masonry. In his conclusion he says—

Masonry is enveloping the world with her tenets of brotherly love, relief and truth, leaving to each of her grand lodges, the use of the tool best suited to her condition, whether it be the square, the level or the plumb, all uniting in the use of the trowel to cement the labor of love they are engaged in.

Grand master, John G. Bair, Choteau; grand secretary, Cornelius Hedges, Jr., Helena.

NEBRASKA—1912.

253 Lodges.

55TH ANNUAL.

19,269 Members

Though the annual meeting was held at Omaha June 4 and 5, 1912, the proceedings did not reach this reviewer until September 28, too late for the 1912 report to this grand lodge.

The proceedings are an unusually attractive book, bound in boards with blue coloring and white letters. It is one of the most handsome coming to the Illinois reviewer's table.

A gain of 762 in membership is reported.

The annual address of Grand Master Gibbons is a strong presentation of the year's work. Among those thanked for courteous and fraternal favors is "Albert B. Ashley, grand master of Illinois."

The request of Arkansas for permission to appeal to Nebraska lodges for money to build a hospital at Hot Springs for the use of masons was received, but the grand lodge did not think conditions warranted giving consent. Colorado sent a card-receipt for dues with the certificate of the grand secretary attesting the regularity of the lodge issuing it. This is similar to that of Illinois, just adopted for universal use in this state.

THE MASONIC HOME

Is in excellent condition. It is controlled by a private corporation but the grand lodge owns a controlling amount of stock. It thus becomes virtually the entire concern of the craft of the state. The grand master appointed Carroll D. Evans as his personal representative to visit the Home and report to the grand lodge. The report was interesting and valuable. His chief conclusion was that the keeping of the young and the old together in one Home was inexpedient and unwise. He suggested that an orphans' home be established and that the aged and the children be segregated. Illinois soon found that this course was wisest and best. A committee was appointed to take into consideration the establishment of an orphans' home.

The grand master issued few special dispensations. Only one of these was to confer degrees without regard to time. This was for a man in government service who was soon to be called away. Grand Master Gibbons very wisely says—

As a general rule I am opposed to issuing special dispensations for conferring degrees without regard to time. Good reasons are seldom given why the grand master should assist in the "hurry-up" plan of making masons. Generally a dispensation is wanted for the convenience of someone who has suddenly realized that it would be for his personal benefit to be made a mason.

ONLY A FEW DECISIONS.

Not many decisions were reported. In one the grand master refused to interfere to stay a sentence of expulsion. He held that the proper course was by appeal to the grand lodge. He decided that the only way to change the time of stated meetings in lodges was by amending the by-laws. It cannot be done by dispensation or other methods.

In Illinois grand masters depose masters of lodges who violate the law. In Nebraska they "arrest their jewels." It leaves the offending master in the same condition, however, when either process is over.

Owing to the ambitious performances of certain able brethren the grand master issued an edict prohibiting them from adding to or subtracting from the established work and ceremonials.

The grand master says that-

In many of our lodges, much that is foreign to our work is interpolated by ambitious masons and at funerals there seems to be no limits to the flights of fancy that are indulged in.

These aspiring geniuses were nipped in the bud by a ruthless grand master who believes that all know more than any one. He also held that "the use of keys, ciphers or printed matter relating to the ritualistic work of ancient craft masonry" is a masonic offense. Some of Nebras-ka's near-by neighbors might with profit follow in this straight and narrow way.

Attention was called to the fact that the printed proceedings cost \$3 per page, the entire edition being \$801.75. Steps were taken to make the expense less.

The grand master says that he has given his entire time to the work of his office. Results attest the truth of his statement.

Some Choice Language.

The grand custodian grows figurative and somewhat poetical in making his report. One paragraph will bear repetition. He says—

Thus ends another year's labor, the twelfth, with loyal craftsmen delving in the quarries for gems of truth, penetrating the forests in search of light, moulding in the clay grounds, pillars of beauty; traversing the plains hand in hand on the same cable tow, standing together for weal or woe, watching well our warp and woof; striving to see that the shuttle of our influence, is by tender words, kind acts of love weaving threads of joy and sunshine into someone's life rather than the shadows of misery, despair, and heartaches.

The committee on correspondence reported against the recognition of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico and the grand lodge concurred. Grand Orator Poucher delivered a lengthy and instructive oration on "Subjection and Improvement." One quotation will serve as a key to the entire production.

MASONRY SURVIVES ALL.

He savs that—

Empires wax and wane; nations rise and fall; captains and kings depart; the shouting and the tumult die; the centuries move like hour hands on the dial; speculative masonry, whose birth throes are unrecorded and whose hoary antiquity is lost amid the mists and shadows of the early twilight of history, remains in its fundamental principles unchanged amid the ruins of the ages. Cheops builds a pyramid; Cleopatra an obelisk; Napoleon raises an empire; Shakespeare creates a drama. The flood of years sweeps on and to succeeding generations Cheops is but a strange and barbarous name; Cleopatra a faded memory; Napoleon a restless dream; and even Shakespeare is the subject of antiquarian dispute. Masonry is perennial. The ages leave no wrinkle on her brow; her surface is unrippled by the passing breeze, because her principles bear nearest affinity to that Supreme Intelligence which pervades all nature, which can never, never, never, die.

MUST BE RECOGNIZED.

The report of the committee on jurisprudence and its adoption puts Nebraska in line with Illinois in visitation and affiliation of persons hailing from unrecognized jurisdictions. The action was as follows;

Brethren hailing from the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, or any other jurisdiction, should not be admitted to our lodges as visitors, or be permitted to affiliate therewith, so long as their grand body is not in fraternal communication with this grand lodge. We believe that members of other grand lodges not recognized by this grand lodge may petition for the degrees of masonry the same as if they had never received such degrees.

HE BROKE GROUND.

Here is a new one. They did not lay a corner-stone nor dedicate a building. "The grand master in a few eloquent words accepted the invitation and broke ground for beginning the labors of the enterprise." A Scottish Rite cathedral is to be erected and the grand lodge "broke ground" for it. If that is not something new what is it?

In 1911 Illinois elected and installed as grand master, Bro. D. D. Darrah, whose father, Alex. T. Darrah, served in the same exalted station a quarter of a century before. In Nebrasksa P.G.M. James R. Cain, Sr., installed his son, James R. Cain, Jr., as grand master, thirty-one years after his service. These are striking incidents and of rare occurrence.

THE CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

Is written by Charles J. Phelps. It is a brief but forceful review. Surprise is expressed that Grand Master Ashley should report that he accepted an invitation to deliver the address of welcome to the Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star. The reviewer asks "What do you think of the following?" He then gives Brother Ashley's statement. In view of the fact that Brother Ashley is a past grand patron of the Eastern Star, and that the grand chapter is an eminently respectable body of masons and the ladies of their households, it looks over this way like it was a graceful and gallant service rendered by our grand master. What think you, Brother Nebraska?

Brother Phelps says that "R.W. Rev. William W. Wilson, grand orator, delivered a very entertaining and instructive historical address."

No Danger.

Brother Phelps quotes what the Illinois reviewer said under British Columbia regarding incorporation of our grand lodge under the laws of the state of Illinois. He expresses fears for the future in these words—

The time may come when another craze against freemasonry may reach into state legislatures. Massachusetts was once situated as Illinois is, with a charter from the state with like limitations as to the amount of property, real and personal. A legislature had been elected adverse to the order and it was freely intimated that the grand lodge would be further restricted, but a wise grand lodge sent a committee to

the legislature with the charter and surrendered the same, and adopted the wiser plan of holding their property through trustees.

Illinois has existed as a grand lodge "a body corporate and politic" under the laws of the state, for almost three-quarters of a century without a ripple of trouble or embarrassment.

When the Illinois legislature was asked to remove restrictions in holding property by grand and constituent lodges there was not a voice raised against it. Other fraternities were included. Perhaps a majority of the legislators were themselves masons. Every individual lodge is also incorporated by the act which gives the grand lodge legal existence.

Grand master, James R. Cain, Jr., Stella; grand secretary, Francis E. White, Omaha.

NEVADA—1913.

25 Lodges.

49TH ANNUAL.

1.886 Members.

One of the neatest appearing volumes of the year is that of Nevada. The annual meeting was held June 10-12, 1913. The cover is plain white with "Nevada 1913" in blue. The appearance is most attractive. A gain of forty members shows some advance. Considering the sparse population of this mountainous country it cannot be expected that lodges will be formed or membership increased as in the more populous parts of the world. The grand master's address is an able and well prepared document. One paragraph from his introductory will be of interest. He says—

As the temple of Apollo at Delphi was the center of the religious life of the Greeks, bringing them together, from the islands of the Aegean sea, the shores of Asia Minor, and the mainland; as the temple of Solomon, rising proudly from the hands of the master builder, furnishing a dwelling place for Jehovah, who had long been enshrined behind a curtain, while the king dwelt in a house of cedar, gave a common sanctuary for the Hebrews, welding them for the first time into a nation; so here, in this asylum, consecrated to the uses of speculative masonry, we renew our fealty to the order, and find heart of grace and encouragement to use our best efforts for the furtherance of its great purposes.

REFUSED TO BE INSTALLED.

Some trouble has been experienced in having the "new standard work" adopted and put into operation. In one case the master-elect declined to be installed unless he could have permission to use a ritual other than

that adopted by the grand lodge. The grand master very properly declined to permit this to be done. He says that "the grand master may be clothed with a certain amount of power, but he cannot set aside the laws of the grand lodge."

A rather large number of decisions was reported, many of these being mere technical explanation of the law. In one it was decided that a lodge could not lay a corner-stone on Sunday because "our ancient brethren labored six days in every week and rested upon the seventh day, consecrating the seventh as a day of rest from their labors; therefore to lay a corner-stone, which is masonic labor, would be inconsistent with our teachings."

The grand master reports the case of a man who went to visit in Indiana. While there, he thought it would be a good idea to join the lodge. His petition was accepted and he had the degrees conferred upon him. Attention of the grand master of Indiana being called to the case, the proper adjustment was made. The brother was not recognized as a mason in Nevada. Though small in membership the masons of Nevada heard the call of distress in the great floods of last spring. The sum of \$674 was sent to Ohio and \$100 to Illinois. The brethren of Indiana advised that they were able to take care of the situation. The sum sent to Illinois was returned because the masons of Illinois were quite able to care for their own distressed.

WANTS A HOME.

Strong recommendation was made by Grand Master Miles for the establishment of a Masonic Home. He says that, "While this appears to be a large undertaking for as small a jurisdiction as ours, yet a beginning should be made some time." Evidently the heart of this grand officer is in the right place. A further recommendation was that documentary evidence be required from all persons applying for visitation in the lodges in that jurisdiction. He also recommends that the use of ciphers be strictly prohibited. The annual oration was delivered by Rev. LLOYD B. THOMAS, the grand orator. His theme was "The Fellowship of Workers." Truly this is a fruitful subject and Brother THOMAS presented it in a very forceful and impressive way. Representatives from various grand lodges were called forth and given a cordial welcome. In this last the name of the Illinois man was not there.

CUTTING A WIDE SWATH.

The committee on the "legitimacy of grand lodges" made a sweeping report. In the list given was that of the grand lodge of the Philippine Islands, eight grand bodies of Germany and Holland, Switzerland, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Egypt and the Netherlands. The recommendation, however, does not seem so formidable. The committee says, "We would recommend that these bodies be accorded recognition by the Grand Lodge of Nevada, only as they may be found worthy after further inquiry and investigation."

If the authorities of the mountain state are as diligent as they are believed to be and as careful for the fundamentals of masonry as safety requires, it will be some time before many of these bodies are found worthy of recognition. The committee on jurisprudence held that some form of ceremony pertaining to the past master's degree should be preserved as a preliminary to installation. This progressive grand lodge could easily take the experience of larger bodies on this back number feature. Most of the grand lodges have found it unnecessary to go through such motions. The latest of these is Wisconsin. The committee further approves the recommendation of the grand master regarding documentary evidence. Hereafter visitors in that state must show their receipts no matter how well they may be informed upon the work and teachings of the fraternity. The requirement for the committee on investigation of a petition for the degrees is something marvelous. A list of fourteen questions must be answered by the committee. This involves a record history as to the family, "previous condition of servitude," etc., of the proposed member. In Illinois the committee of three, or rather three committees of one each makes investigation and report verbally and secretly to the master. On the information contained in these reports the members cast their votes.

THE ANNUAL GLEANING OF NEWS

From the various grand lodges is presented by the "grand commissioner of reviews," Bro. Edward D. Vanderlieth—he of the mighty signature. The work of summarizing the proceedings of grand lodges is ably done. Last year note was made of a mistake in binding which destroyed the meaning of the grand master's address. It is rather singular that another mistake, similar to that of last year, is found in 1913. The first thirty-two pages are given and then the same number are put in again, making a duplicate. The printing and binding of the proceedings are so attractive that it seems strange that two such errors should occur, one following the other.

The review of Illinois is for 1912. The reviewer says—

Grand Master Darrah's address is able and comprehensive. He reviews with satisfaction and pride the flattering condition of the craft and declares that 115,000 masons can certainly be a power for good if

they will but stand shoulder to shoulder in a righteous cause. A simple oneness begets force in a single mind, and a union of a good number of minds is irresistible. Strands of love and truth united, twisted together, will form a cable that will draw men on whether they will or not. Masons have yet to learn the force of union.

SMOKING UNDER THE BAN.

A paragraph pertaining to the use of the black ball is quoted in full with hearty approval. Further referring to the grand master's address, Brother Vanderlieth says—

The grand master also hits smoking in open lodge a body blow. Rightly, say we. A mason who cannot refrain from smoking during the few hours he gives to masonry in his lodge certainly has not learned to subdue his passions. Self-control is the very center of character, and this important attribute of a mason should not be degraded by inordinate selfishness.

BEECHER'S KNIFE.

Quoting that portion regarding the need of study for better understanding of the teachings of masonry the reviewer adds—

We need education in Masonry. It is very well to know the ritual and its manifold beauties, but what lies back of the ritual and its symbolism should be known and understood, significance, tradition and history. Not until this knowledge is back of the ritual can masonry's lessons be forcibly and intelligently given. It was the great Beecher who said that when it came to education many men were like knives with many blades; they know how to open one and only one; all the rest are in the handle. Masons should be like a many bladed knife, but all the blades should be in use, and they should be kept sharp by learning daily how to apply them to all practical purposes, for our fellowman and to the glory of God. We as masons should read, mark, learn and inwardly digest our masonry, and then show both knowledge and faith by acting, carrying it into our every-day lives, living examples of masons for others to see and profit by.

BROTHER BELL'S ORATION.

The oration delivered last year evokes the following comment;

Grand Orator Bell spoke eloquently on a man, not of mankind in general. While in no way a disciple of modernism, his conception of man and his Maker is high, and he firmly shows that the individual man in this world of ours can help what he ends up with.

The report on correspondence of Illinois for 1912 Brother Vander-Lieth classes as "one worthy of wide reading and careful consideration." Hearty approval is given of the position taken against the conferring of title of honorary past master on one who had served five years as secretary of the lodge. The Nevada reviewer has a very broad notion of the universality of masonry. The extent to which he would carry it would effectually destroy the system of ethics, the inspiration of which is drawn from the temple erected by Solomon. He says that he hopes to see the time "when the essential qualifications for recognition will be reduced to one, a belief in Gop and the immortality of the soul."

PUTS OUT THE BIBLE.

It will be seen from this that our good brother eliminates the Bible. It is not easily seen how an institution drawing its ritual and its vital powers from the book of the law as given by Moses could continue to exist with the sacred Scriptures left out. The old saying of Hamlet with Hamlet left out would be a parallel. There is not today to be found throughout the world a body of persons recognized as masons who base their system on any book of the law other than the Bible. It is true that in France and in some other countries the Bible, and even Gop, has been abolished but these do not have any standing with the legitimate in any land. Our Nevada contemporary needs a revised version of the fundamentals of recognition.

In a former review this writer probably did Nevada an injustice by referring to it as "a state with so low a standard of morals as to be the mecca of divorcees and prize fighters." After Brother Vanderlieth's protest suitable change of heart has been experienced. He advises that the 1912 legislature enacted a law requiring a year's residence of all divorce seekers. This is gratifying to those who believe in the stability of the marriage relation and the home. If the law-makers of that state will make provision against the brutal prize fight, unpleasant references cannot be made. It is not claimed that Illinois is perfect. It is doubtful if any one of its citizens would be justified in casting the "first stone." It is gratifying to know, however, that our brother has no "'ard feelins'." The book of proceedings came just in time, being received September 6.

Grand master, William M. David, Carson City; grand secretary, Edward D. Vanderlieth, Carson City.

NEW BRUNSWICK-1912.

39 LODGES.

45TH ANNUAL.

3,177 MEMBERS.

Somebody must be rather slow in the far northeast of Canada. The proceedings of this grand lodge reached the table of the Illinois correspondent June 28, 1913. Grand lodge was held at St. John August 27 and 28, 1912.

The volume of proceedings, while not large, is yet very tasty in its appearance and records a busy session of this small grand lodge. A portrait of the new grand master, Frederick J. G. Knowlton, adorns the opening pages. Brother Knowlton had been grand treasurer and was taken from that important position and made grand master. The record of proceedings gives place in the roster of officers to the past grand masters immediately following the grand master. Also the past deputy grand masters present are noted as part of the official list.

A special prayer offered by the grand chaplain is given in full. Then the record shows that the brethren joined with the grand chaplain in the reading of the 24th Psalm.

HIGH STANDARDS URGED.

The grand master in his address makes a very sensible statement when he says "let the standard of character for admission into our beloved fraternity be raised as high as possible and the outer door be guarded with the utmost vigilance. Let every man know that, when he is once admitted, he must demean himself in such a way that no reproach can be brought upon the craft through any action of his." The grand master is pleased with the fact that the fraternity is prosperous, showing a gain of 114 members.

Though many questions of law and usage were submitted to Grand Master Bridges, he found that they called for merely construction of the law. He did not deem it necessary to report any of them to grand lodge.

New Brunswick, though quite American in its make up and plan of work, still has the English "board of general purposes." This is a sort of executive committee which performs useful functions in the work of grand lodge in the interim between sessions.

Something rather unusual is done in this grand jurisdiction. In most grand lodges the grand secretary is elected; but here, he is appointed by the grand master. No correspondence report is presented for the reason that there "haint none." No committee is appointed to review the proceedings of other grand lodges. This makes the book of proceedings rather small, covering in its entirety but 118 pages.

Grand master, Frederick J. G. Knowlton; grand secretary, J. Twining Hartt,

NEW HAMPSHIRE-1913.

70 Lodges.

124th Annual.

10,620 MEMBERS.

In this grand lodge two meetings are held a year, a semi-annual being devoted entirely to the work of conferring degrees. This was held on December 27. A full list of officers is given. The representative of Illinois, Bro. Sewall W. Abbott, was present. Truly this session was noted for the gathering together of distinguished representatives of grand lodges. The grand masters from Massachusetts, Connecticut, Vermont and Maine were present and suitably received. In addition the deputy grand master of Rhode Island made another member of the distinguished company. When it is remembered that New England is not larger than some of the states of the Central West, it is seen how a convention of grand officers could be held without serious inconvenience. The annual meeting was held at Concord, beginning May 21. At this session the business of the year is transacted. From the address of the grand master it would appear that the angel of death had been very busy in the Granite State in the year past. Six past district deputy grand masters have crossed over the river. Pictures of all of these appear in the proper place in the proceedings. The most notable one who passed away was Joseph Robins, grand chaplain, 1900-1912. He appears to have been almost as distinguished in New Hampshire as our own Joseph Robbins was in Illinois. Grand Master Henry A. MARSH, 1896, 1897, is also reported among the distinguished dead.

The grand master did not find it necessary to report any decisions. The questions he answered were merely an explanation of the law as it had been adopted. He thinks that this is commendable because it shows that the brethren are so familiar with the law that they do not need to ask for instruction.

A CENTURY AND A QUARTER.

Provision was made for celebrating the 125th anniversary of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire on July 8, 1914. Everett C. Benton.

grand master of Massachusetts presented a gavel made from one of the cedars of Lebanon. The wood from which it was made was imported for Massachusetts consistory in 1910. The sentiment of having a gavel made from wood secured from the same locality as the timber used in the construction of the temple of Solomon is one that may be indulged, but it is doubted if order can more easily be kept with it than one made from the sturdy woods of the granite hills of this New England state.

New Hampshire has a Masonic Home in a flourishing condition. At present there are but thirteen members. These are men and women. No provision it appears has been made to care for the orphans. The grand master says that "the accommodations and financial requirements are reasonably adequate at this time." He looks forward, however, to an early extension of the equipment.

Attention is called to the fact that there is a committee on charity, but no provision has been made for funds to enable this committee to relieve the distressed.

CHARITY FUND NEEDED.

The grand master urges that some provision be made to supply this deficiency. He says—

You may ask why, after a successful existence of one hundred and twenty-four years, there should be occasion for such a fund as this. When any institution ceases its forward march and commences to mark time it is an acknowledgment to the world that it has accomplished its entire purpose and is satisfied with its effort. We are not prepared to admit that such is the case with this grand lodge. We see many years of progression ahead and much good and charitable work to be accomplished. This fund would be available for various purposes, such as immediate relief in cases of serious calamity, in our own or in other jurisdictions, like the California earthquake and the recent Ohio floods. It is truly said that he who gives quickly in such cases gives doubly. Also there are cases where charity or assistance could and should be rendered to brother masons, their widows and orphans, when the necessity does not warrant their going to the Home, yet the burden is too great to be carried by the local lodge and becomes one in which we all should bear our part.

RECOGNITION OF GRAND LODGES.

In New Hampshire the recommendation for recognition of other grand lodges is by the committee on jurisprudence. In most grand lodges this comes from the committee on correspondence.

During this session the committee on jurisprudence favored the recognition of the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands. There is also a recommendation that the Grand Lodges of England and Ireland be recognized. No explanation is given why these ancient grand lodges

should not have been earlier placed in fraternal relation with the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire.

A pleasant feature of the session was a banquet provided by the grand lodge and all present were invited to attend. This might be done with a body having but seventy-nine lodges. It would be a different matter, however, in a state like Illinois, where there are between eight and nine hundred lodges.

Grand Master Charles H. Wiggin was elected by ballot to be a representative to the Washington Masonic Memorial Association. In most states this is provided for by appointment of the grand master.

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Comes from the skilled hand of Bro. HARRY M. CHENEY, the grand secretary. The review covers 176 pages. It is full of interest and terse, forceful comment. Brother Cheney does not quote much from other grand lodges but summarizes the work in his own language. Illinois for 1912 is canvassed. He says that "if he (the grand master) had not told us that in Illinois the position of district deputy grand master was very largely an honorary one, we could not have believed it." He then commends the grand master on his plan of vitalizing the deputy system. Our good brother, perhaps from want of definite knowledge falls into error when he says that "their (the grand lecturers) laxity in regard to these officials is more rightly the subject of criticism than the "innocuous desuetude' into which their district deputy system has fallen." Our brother does not know that the district deputy grand master and grand lecturer are two distinct and separate individuals. There is no laxity in the Illinois system regarding the grand lecturers. They are thoroughly informed and are adequately equipped to teach the work. That is their function. The district deputy is the personal representative of the grand master in his territory and is an executive officer.

Brother CHENEY says that the grand master should have received his information regarding Masonic Homes from his own personal observation. Our good brother is here again in error. The grand master is an *cx-officio* member of the Masonic Home Board and attends the meetings of that body. He frequently visits the Homes and knows from his own knowledge as well as from reports which come to him officially.

MALICIOUS USE OF BLACK BALL.

Regarding the use of the black ball he says-

For the life of us we do not see how he could have done what he did in the direction of what he declares to be an abuse of the blackball.

His general observations as to its misuses are quite correct, but how he can discover who is using a blackball with intent to be malicious and then take him by the nape of the neck and make him promise to be good or else face charges made against him for doing this, we cannot understand.

It is not difficult where there is flagrant abuse of the blackball to ascertain, within legal bounds, the guilty party. It is the duty of a lodge, when it can know, to rid itself of a pest that is dangerous. It has not been able to transform the mean natures of some men to prevent them from reeking personal spite and vengeance for some fancied wrong.

AFTER THE SMOKERS.

Evidently Brother Cheney agrees with Grand Master Darrah regarding smoking in the lodge room. He says that—

Illinois is also one of the jurisdictions where a very few of its members are not gentlemen, at least to the extent of insisting that it is their high privilege to smoke in an open lodge. The grand master says, "No mason of refinement and culture will do it." Those who are not in this latter class ought to receive a course of education that will finally place them there.

It is gratifying to know that most all of the grand jurisdictions have agreed with Brother Darrah as well as the Grand Master of New Hampshire. The brethren have no right to inflict upon their fellows the disagreeable habit though it be a personal pleasure to themselves.

Brother Cheney says that "we have stayed with Grand Master Darryh too long a time—we couldn't help it, because his address compelled it." The reviewer says "the annual oration by M.W. Brother Bell is a splendid one, in which he speaks in virile fashion of the dignity of manhood and the value of human life."

Objection the Same as Black Ball.

The law in New Hampshire is that the verbal objection to initiation of a candidate has the same effect as does a black ball. That means "that where an objection has been expressed it cannot be withdrawn any more than a black ball can be withdrawn." This differs from Illinois in that at the end of the year, in this state, the objection ceases and, unless renewed, the candidate can be admitted.

Our New Hampshire brother does not agree with the decision regarding physical qualifications pertaining to the absence of the fore-finger of the right hand. He concludes his reference to this by saying "the caustic suggestion of our good brother in no way changes our opinion of a year ago, but we frankly admit that it is a personal opinion and

that we do not know what we are going to do about it." It is deeply to be regretted that in the administration of the law of Illinois and its application to physical qualifications our grand master cannot make his construction of the rule to harmonize with the views of our good brother from New England.

The doings of the New Hampshire Society of Veteran Freemasons are given a place in the book of proceedings. The session is held during that of the grand lodge as it is in most states.

Grand master, Holman A. Drew, Berlin; grand secretary, Harry M. Cheney, Concord.

NEW JERSEY-1913.

192 Lodges.

126TH ANNUAL.

36,649 MEMBERS.

At Trenton on April 16 and 17, 1913, was held the annual meeting of Jersey masons. The work is growing, as the gain of 1,794 indicates.

A fine picture of Bro, RICHARD C. WOODWARD, grand master, adorns the opening page.

In the list of grand representatives appear the names of those who stand for the eight grand lodges of Germany. New Jersey is one of the few American grand lodges that has established fraternal relations with the Teutonic organizations. Many fundamental reasons could be given why legitimate masons cannot fellowship the Germanic grand bodies.

Note is made by the grand master of response to the cry of distress in the Indiana and Ohio floods.

THE HOME FLOURISHES.

In his address he reports the affairs of the Masonic Home in a prosperous and satisfactory condition. There are in the Home 96 persons—55 men, 17 women, 13 boys and 11 girls. Note is made of the fact that but two deaths occurred during the year. The average cost of each of the individuals in the Home is given as \$319.55. New Jersey appreciates the value of the services of women in the management of the Home. Accordingly the grand master named eight ladies who were to have oversight of the domestic affairs of these institutions. There is much fitness in this action. With her skill and natural aptitude for caring for the family home, woman must be a valuable adjunct to the men who are in charge of our Homes.

PHYSICALLY DEFECTIVE.

One hundred and seven requests for permission to receive and ballot upon the petitions of candidates having visible physical defects are reported. The result as given shows seventy cases where permission was granted, twenty-nine refused and eight still pending. Each case was referred to the district deputy for investigation. Upon his report the grand master acted. The record shows that the Grand Lodge Swiss Alpina is in fraternal relation with New Jersey. A representative was reported. From this, it must be that New Jersey has a very broad notion of the standards necessary to establish regular grand lodges. In many respects this Swiss body fails to measure up to the requirements made by most legitimate grand lodges of the world.

TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP.

A movement was started to enable brethren to change their membership from one lodge to another without being left stranded between two. Sometimes a dimit is issued and membership severed. Upon application to another lodge the petition is declined. This leaves the brother non-affiliated. A new provision is that a brother may petition another lodge and if elected, may obtain his dimit and thereupon become a member. This is practically the law in Illinois and, if any bad results have come from it, they have not come to the surface.

A delegation of distinguished masons from Delaware made a very delightful visit and were properly received.

They have a Masonic Hall Association in New Jersey. The grand lodge holds stock in this organization. In view of certain disclosures, the nature of which is not given, the grand lodge authorized the sale of the stock. This is another evidence that grand lodges should not be parties to enterprises they do not absolutely control.

Application was made by the grand lodge of the Philippine Islands and upon recommendation of the committee on foreign correspondence was continued for one year. The grand lodge of Hungary asked for recognition. The records, however, do not disclose that any action was taken beyond referring it to the proper committee.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Was again presented by Bro. Robert A. Shirrefs, committee on correspondence. The review of proceedings of German grand lodges, the Netherlands and Switzerland was written by Bro. Adolph Klee who made translation from their languages and summarized their proceedings.

Regarding the review of Illinois for 1912 Brother Shirrefs says that "we fear we shall again risk the critique of the most worshipful brother who reviews other proceedings for the advantage of the craft in Illinois by venturing this year, as well as last, 'almost nothing regarding our grand lodge except a mere narration of the things done.' "The New Jersey reviewer, however, does not confine himself strictly to the mere narration of things done. He puts in here and there proper comments. He says that "the grand master (Illinois) therefore prudently decided that a church edifice was not a public building in such a sense as to preclude the fraternity from embarrassment, should objection be lodged against their purely masonic rite and, therefore, declined to lay any more, with grand lodge approval, on advice of the jurists."

The appointment of a district deputy for German-speaking lodges of Illinois was designated as a "sensible proceeding." The grand master of Illinois is also approved in his action regarding eligibility of a candidate who wears a truss.

UP TO THE STANDARD.

The oration by Bro. A. H. Bell received liberal endorsement in copious quotations. Regarding this he concludes as follows; "His oration was well placed within the limits of rhetorical excellence which the Illinois orators have heretofore set in their efforts to enlighten and instruct their less informed brethren."

In referring to the Illinois report on masonic correspondence for 1912 Brother Shirrefs approves the way Illinois disposes of the question of physical qualification. He believes that it is safest and best to leave it to the lodges to determine with strict accountability to the grand lodge for abuse. In the review presented by Bro. Adolph Klee of the German, Dutch and Swiss bodies there is much of interest and information. As Illinois is not in communication with any of these, no specific reference is necessary. The correspondence report as a whole is interesting and ably prepared.

Grand master, Fred E. Tilden, Trenton; grand secretary, Benjamin F. Wakefield, Trenton.

NEW MEXICO-1912.

40 Lodges.

34th Annual.

2,987 MEMBERS.

The session for 1912 was held at Albuquerque, October 21-23.

The grand master, in his annual address, confined himself chiefly to the business of the year. He did not attempt to discuss the theories and principles of masonry. He made but four "rulings." In one of these he held that—

There is nothing inconsistent in a member of the lodge, who is an attorney at law, representing in his professional capacity, a plaintiff in a case in which the defendant is a brother mason, and such representation would not in any way affect any masonic obligation.

It seems scarcely necessary to decide so self-evident a proposition. While masonry discourages litigation among members of lodges, yet, it in no way abridges the legal rights each possesses under the civil law. The old idea that a mason was bound to protect a brother, right or wrong, has long since been exploded. In fact no such obligation ever existed.

A Broader View.

Among numerous recommendations made by Grand Master Walton was one urging "a systematic course of instruction in masonic law by the constituent lodges." This is in line with Grand Master Darrah. The time has come for a broader view of masonry than merely packing away in the memory the words and phrases of the ritual. Important as good, uniform work is, it is not enough.

It was voted "that all grammatical errors as now appear in the ritual be corrected by said committee." This was followed by another resolution. It was this—

Resolved. That the committee on ritual be instructed to recommend to this grand lodge, at its next annual communication, for its consideration, any inaccuracies that may be found in the general construction of the ritual.

MASONRY IN FRANCE.

The committee on foreign correspondence presented an elaborate report on the status of masonry of the "Grand Orient and Grand Lodge" of France. Brother Wroth went to much trouble and labor and presented a valuable resume of the attitude of all the grand lodges regarding these masonic outlaws. The consensus of opinion of grand bodies is that there is no such thing as legitimate masonry in France. The aboli-

tion of the recognition of God and the Bible took from masonry in that country its life-blood and left it a putrifying corpse.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

is again written by James H. Wroth, the committee on correspondence. It is a valuable production embracing 170 pages. Illinois for 1911 is reviewed. The New Mexico reviewer prints Brother Ashley's recommendation that all correspondence between lodges of different grand jurisdictions be conducted through the grand masters. Disagreement at this method is expressed.

Brother Wroth thinks the certified form of receipt adopted in Illinois can be "imitated or forged by any undeserving visitor." Possibly, it can. Uncle Sam's good currency is often counterfeited, but that does not argue that all his currency should be abolished. Brother Wroth further says that "we are still old-fashioned enough to believe it is impossible to get around a good examining committee and a telegraph wire." With which the writer heartily agrees. The Illinois receipt is not intended to supplant these but rather to supplement them. The present well-nigh universal requirement among grand lodges of documentary evidence in visitation and affiliation, made some such provision a necessity.

WANTS MASONRY KEPT AT A STANDSTILL

The reviewer says—

He does the writer the courtesy of quoting entirely our views on modernism in masonry, with the following criticism:

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.

If Brother Scott will pardon us, that is exactly what masonry ought to do, "stand tied to a post." The moment it indulges in the wild oats of legislation, there is going to be a runaway and somebody is going to get hurt.

In landmarks and other fundamentals masonry does stand without hitching. In non-essentials of administration and execution, it must ever keep up with changing conditions of modern society. Our great relief organizations and systems of Homes are illustrations. Brethren should not be so frightened at so-called innovations as to hold masonry back from the accomplishment of its great mission in the world.

Brother Wroth quite agrees with the writer that certain phases of parliamentary law cannot be used in lodges. Free and full discussion is guaranteed to every brother. Gag-rules are unmasonic. Under District of Columbia the New Mexico reviewer refers to Brother Robbins' atti-

tude on "unrecognized grand lodges." As Brother Robbins is gone and as Illinois now has but two classes of grand lodges, recognized and unrecognized, further discussion along this line would be out of place.

Grand master, Marine R. Williams, East Las Vegas; grand secretary, Alpheus A. Keen, Albuquerque.

NEW SOUTH WALES-1911.

238 Lodges.

23rd Annual.

16,036 MEMBERS.

One of the missing proceedings last year was that of New South Wales. The report at hand includes meetings as follows;

Special, August 23, 1910

Quarterly, September 14, 1910.

Quarterly, December 14, 1910.

Quarterly, March 8, 1911.

Special, June 13, 1911.

Quarterly, June 14, 1911.

The meeting in August, 1910, had for its chief business the installation of the grand master, LORD CHELMSFORD. This was done with imposing ceremony. The grand master announced the appointment of Bro. Geo. J. Sly as deputy grand master. In view of the announced absence of Grand Master Chelmsford this selection was deemed of unusual importance. He virtually was grand master so far as masonic activities were concerned.

The proceedings of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales are much after the English order. Quarterly meetings, use of pounds, shillings and pence, and the retention of the representative of Great Britain year after year as grand master are the special similarities to the mother grand lodge and country. In his address, after installation, the grand master said—

THE ROYAL ROLL.

And now brethren may I express to you all my deep appreciation of the honor which you have conferred upon me in placing me in this chair. I am the fifth governor of New South Wales since the inauguration of this grand lodge who has sat in this chair. First of all you had M.W. Brother Lord Carrington. Then came Lord Jersey. Next Sir Robert Duff. And last but not least Sir Harry Rawson. Therefore, I find

myself in good company when I find myself in this chair. But brethren you will quite understand that it must necessarily be with some trepidation that I follow such distinguished predecessors. And I can only hope that it will be through the loyal co-operation of the grand lodge officers, and I am sure the loyal support of all the brethren that I may perhaps prove myself not unworthy of those who have gone before me. I think, brethren, it is a significant fact that our late lamented King Edward VII. himself occupied the seat of King Solomon for many years in the Grand Lodge of England and that he was succeeded in that high office by his brother, the Duke of Connaught; and so we may realize the importance which our royal house has attached to the position of freemasonry and the high office of grand master.

This proves beyond doubt that royalty believes in masonry and that masonry in British countries believes in the exploitation of royalty.

Illinois representative, Bro. W. Beavis, was present and was presented as such to the grand master. The death of Sir Harry Rawson, grand master in 1905, 1906, 1907 and 1908, was reported. Due respect was paid to his memory.

MUST BE GOOD.

The grand lodge endorsed a masonic paper in the following language—

A letter was received from the *Keystone* newspaper asking for recognition as the masonic organ of the grand lodge. The board resolved that the request to publish the *Keystone* under the sanction of the grand lodge be granted, but that the proprietors be informed that should any matter be published which, in the opinion of the board, was prejudicial to the interests of freemasonry in New South Wales, such sanction would be withdrawn.

The appointment of R.W. Bro. Charles S. DeHart as the representative of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales near the Grand Lodge of Illinois, was duly announced. Brother DeHart succeeds Roswell T. Spencer.

At the last quarterly held in June, 1911, Lord Chelmsford was again elected grand master.

REVIEW OF GRAND LODGES.

The report of the committee on foreign correspondence was presented by the chairman, Bro. L. Whitfield.

He quotes from a friendly reviewer as follows;

While at the several communications much business possibly important to the home craft was transacted, we have found but little, a notice of which, in our opinion, would prove interesting to the general craft. In justice, however, to our brethren of the island continent, it should be said that, according to their means and ability, they are doing more than any, or all others put together, in the direction of relief and char-

ity, and giving also much more attention to the cultivation of the social side of freemasonry. One might have a worse testimonial than that!

GET PRETTY STALE.

The review of Illinois was written by Bro. W. Thompson. He presents our proceedings for 1910. It takes so long to get the proceedings from this far-off country that the reviews are mutually pretty stale. Brother Thompson has just reached the death of Brother Robbins. He pays our distinguished Illinois mason the following true tribute—

The grand lodge suffered a great loss in the death of M.W. Bro. Joseph Robbins, the writer for many years of those excellent reports upon foreign correspondence, reports that had made the Grand Lodge of Illinois famous throughout the masonic world.

Bro. Frank G. Smith's oration is designated as "most able and eloquent." Liberal quotations are made from it. The report of the committee on obituaries by Bro. C. W. Harris is given a high compliment and a considerable quotation is made from it.

The reviewer says of the Illinois proceedings that-

The volume contains a fair review of the 1909 communications of this grand lodge, but some of the conclusions arrived at, as the following extracts will show, are to our point of view rather startling.

Our good brother was startled by this comment of the Illinois reviewer which he quotes—

The custom of making the governors of the Provinces grand masters of the several grand lodges makes it rather "tough sledding" for resident masons who may have a laudable ambition to preside over these grand bodies.

MASONRY GREAT IN ITSELF.

Brother Thompson then says—

It is evident our Illinois brethren cannot fully realize the advantages accruing to the craft here by the well ruling of the many illustrious governors of the state who have been our grand masters, and not the least of them our present grand master. Lord Chelmsford. It is good for the craft to have brethren of such eminence at its head, brethren whose positions in the state lift them above all considerations of clique or party, if it were ever possible to form such within our ranks. It follows of course that a great work must, as stated, fall upon the deputy grand master, but this is an office worthy the highest aspiration of every mason within the territory. It can hardly be said to be a "custom" to make the governor the grand master, as the majority of our grand masters have been private citizens.

It can hardly be conceived that masonry in any civilized land needs to be bolstered up by official prestige or aristocratic renown. Masonry is so much greater than lords and dukes, kings and presidents, that its own unaided merits will commend it to right thinking people, the world over. No man honors masonry. No matter how great his genius or station, he comes to the altar of masonry to receive its benedictions and to receive its inspirations to a loftier manhood.

Grand master, Lord Chelmsford; grand secretary, Arthur H. Bray, Masonic Hall, Sydney.

NEW SOUTH WALES-1912.

230 Lodges.

24th Annual.

17,524 MEMBERS.

The proceedings of New South Wales for 1912 did not come to hand in time for review last year. For that reason, the news features are somewhat stale. The proceedings under review are for the year ending June, 1912.

Four quarterly meetings were held as usual and two special. That masonry is flourishing in this far-away grand lodge is shown by an increase of 1,498 members.

During the early part of the period embraced in the proceedings the grand master, Lord Chelmsford, was abroad. Masonic affairs were in the hands of the deputy grand master, Bro. G. J. Sly.

The custom of British and provincial grand lodges keeping in position those who hold high places in civil affairs makes it necessary that the deputy grand master should be one who is capable of having entire control. From all appearances this trust during the year was faithfully carried out.

The quarterly sessions were held September and December, 1911, March and June, 1912.

AN EFFICIENT BOARD.

The board of general purposes is the existing force that, operating together with the grand master or deputy grand master, transacts the business in the interim between meetings of grand lodge.

One of the decisions of this board was that balloting for candidates "en bloc" was irregular. No explanation is given, but it is assumed that "en bloc" means balloting on two or more candidates at the same time. Certainly this would be irregular anywhere. The election of individuals would be the only way fair to both lodge and candidate.

Another novel feature that appears in the report is that applications for the position of deputy grand secretary be asked for through an advertisement in the *Keystone*. Such applications are referred to the board. Usually the deputy grand secretary is appointed by the grand master on recommendation of the grand secretary. At least that is the way we do it in Illinois.

GRAND MASTER RETURNS.

At the session held December, 1911, the Grand Master Chelmsford was present, having returned from his extended stay abroad. He gives a lengthy report of his visit while in the mother country.

In his report he says that King Frederick of Denmark has been grand master for forty years. This is a record that might excite the jealousy of Grand Master Shrvock of Maryland, who has been grand master only a little over a quarter of a century.

Illinois is not in communication with Denmark but can easily make this comparison of the tenure of office of these two distinguished men.

The special meeting, June 11, 1912, had for its sole purpose the nomination for grand master and other grand officers. This was followed, however, on the next day by the regular quarterly communication.

Just why it appears necessary to our brethren of New South Wales to hold a special meeting to make nominations is not apparent.

A NEW BRAND.

At the meeting held June, 1912, the board of general purposes called attention to what is designated as "Universal Co-Masonry." This society appears to be working under allegiance to the Grand Orient of France. Recently a lodge of this kind has been established in Sydney, New South Wales. The grand secretary was directed to issue a circular of advice to the lodges of New South Wales drawing their attention to the matter and warning them to have nothing to do with this so-called masonic society.

On recommendation of the board of general purposes the grand lodge declared that meetings of lodges, or the members of lodges, on Sundays for the purpose of instruction, rehearsal, or other masonic practices, except for church or funeral services, are inimical to the best interests of freemasonry.

New South Wales is caring for its dependents in a manner which appears at this distance to be quite effective. The Masonic Convalescent

Home at Camden cares for brethren who are unable to provide for themselves. During the past year fifteen were admitted, making a total of 246 since the Home was opened in 1889.

The Freemasons' Benevolent Institution for the permanent relief of aged, distressed, or infirm freemasons and their wives or widows presented its twenty-first annual report. Provision is made for caring for the orphans of masons.

Spurious Societies.

The report of the committee on foreign correspondence was presented by Bro. L. Whitfield, chairman of the committee. He calls attention to the prevalence of spurious bodies seeking to gain advantage of freemasonry. He says—

That in this growth of masonry it is inevitable that there should arise from time to time certain societies, who, wishing to trade on the reputation that masonry had gained, style themselves masons, but whose tenets are not those of the genuine mason, "founded on the purest principles of morality and virtue, and based on a firm belief in the Great Architect of the Universe." We consequently find in several of the addresses of grand masters in America a warning note sounded against a too ready recognition which may be accorded to a so-called masonic body without sufficient information as to its principles and mode of working."

Why Ask Questions?

Reference is made to the prevailing custom in American grand lodges of firing at the grand master a volley of questions pertaining to local laws. He refers to the fact that in the United Kingdom and dependent provinces a ruling is rarely asked. He then quotes an English view of freemasonry in America as follows;

What on earth does an American grand master want to be always giving decisions on some triviality for? Why cannot such trumpery questions as most of them are be left to the good sense and initiative of the lodges or their masters? With us a W.M. does as seems best to him, after consultation with his experienced past masters; and if wrong, or anyone can be offended, the matter can be placed before our board of general purposes, from which an appeal lies to the grand lodge, but not to the grand master. (Nine-tenths of the puerilities which are submitted to your grand masters would never be heard of here beyond the walls of the particular lodge concerned.)

GETTING BETTER.

He also quotes from the report on correspondence for California on the same line.

There is unquestionably a marked tendency in all of our American jurisdictions towards a diminishing number of the so-called annual decisions by grand masters. As stated above, there has not been a single

decision for twenty-five years in Maryland, and, as a rule, the higher the character of the decision, the fewer the decisions on law points by grand masters.

Brother WHITFIELD concludes this subject with the following-

It is perhaps a matter of congratulation that our masters of private lodges do not refer many questions for decisions, and that they seem to be able to stand on their own "good sense and initiative," aided perhaps to some extent by the ever ready and unofficial help of our grand registrar and grand secretary.

There is in all this much food for reflection. Grand lodges of the United States are much addicted to the useless habit of questioning the grand master. Illinois has not been affected in this way as many others have been.

ANNUAL REVIEW INCOMPLETE.

The review of grand lodges was presented by Brother Whitfield, chairman of the committee, with an explanation for its incompleteness and brevity. He says—"through a succession of untoward circumstances, entirely beyond the control of the committee, it has been found impossible to complete this report in time for inclusion in this volume. It has therefore been deemed advisable to print only a portion of the report rather than to retard longer the already delayed publication of our proceedings."

One page is devoted to Illinois. This was written by Brother Thompson, a member of the committee. Two rather flagrant errors appear. The number of lodges 186, should be over 800. The number of pages in book of proceedings of that year, 1911, is put at about 400. The real number is one-third more than this.

THE SALOON QUESTION.

The writer says-

We most cordially approve of the decision of the grand master in refusing to charter lodges where it was intended to hold meetings in buildings occupied in part by saloons. He wisely claims 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, and hopes to encourage the building of temples for masonic purposes only, and to move the lodges into them as fast as possible.

The reference made by the Illinois reviewer for that year pertaining to the construction of great buildings is copied with evident approval.

Grand master, Lord Chelmsford; grand secretary, Arthur H. Bray, Masonic Hall, Sydney.

NEW YORK-1913.

820 Lodges.

132ND ANNUAL.

179,927 Members.

The annual meeting was held as usual in the city of New York during the early part of May, 1913. A healthy growth in members and number of lodges is shown. Excellent pictures of John D. Willard and Charles Smith, the grand master, are found in the opening pages.

A close record is kept on the attendance of representatives of other grand lodges. The embassadors from Oklahoma, Indiana, Maryland and Hungary were excused from attendance at the session. It would create a sensation in the Grand Lodge of Illinois if it were even suggested that a representative of another grand lodge needed an excuse for his absence. New York might be imitated with profit.

ROBERT COLLYER.

Among the record of deaths appears that of the distinguished divine, ROBERT COLLYER, who lived to the extreme age of 89. He was known as the "blacksmith preacher." It will be remembered that Dr. Collyer was pastor of Unity church in Chicago for nineteen years. During his time he was one of the leading orators of the country. Grand Master Smith in speaking of Dr. Collyer says "like our illustrious prototype, Hiram Abiff, he was a worker in iron." Does not the distinguished Grand Master of New York refer to that other worthy of ancient time, Tubal Cain, who wrought "curious smithwork and metallic operations by fire?". The death of Past Grand Master Charles F. Hitchcock of Illinois is also noted.

FRAUDS BARRED BY COURT.

An important case was tried in the courts of Louisiana. Grand Master Smith refers to it and says that—

The court unanimously upheld the decision of the lower court, affirming that the power to determine the regularity or irregularity or fraudulent character of any organization claiming to be masonic, rested exclusively in the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, so far as the territory it occupies is concerned. The decision of the supreme court is particularly gratifying, because of the fact that only one of that bench was a member of the fraternity, and he declined to sit in the case.

In referring to this the Grand Master of Louisiana says that-

This decision is of almost revolutionary interest to the whole body of freemasonry. It confirms the proper contention for the supremacy of the lodges and their right to dominate all masonic affairs through their properly organized and constituted representative and legislative bodies, the grand lodges. As I understand its bearing upon our affairs, it relieves grand lodges entirely from any call to untangle any skein of contention regarding the origin or history of any body claiming to be masonic; leaves it free to concede regularity by prescription, or, if it sees fit to do so, by fiat. In short, it puts the ownership of the term "Masonry" and the adjective "Masonic" clearly in possession of regular lodges and the grand lodges that represent them.

ITALY REFUSED RECOGNITION.

Request was made by the Grand Orient of Italy for interchange of representatives. New York declined because the Italian grand body had seen fit to authorize the establishment of a lodge in Jersey City, violating the law of independent control of all lodges within the jurisdiction of New Jersey.

The grand master reports prompt and liberal action of New York masons regarding the floods in Indiana and Ohio. Large contributions were made, \$2,000 to Indiana and \$3,000 to Ohio. The Indiana masons, however, returned their contribution as they had been able to care for their distressed without outside help.

TWO IMPORTANT CAUTIONS.

The grand master gave a very wise caution upon two points, viz: the admission of candidates and the publication of proceedings, not only in masonic, but in secular press. One case is given where a man petitioned for degrees in the city of New York. After he had received two degrees, it was discovered that he had been five times rejected by other lodges in that state. It certainly appears that here is a good mission field for the education of an investigating committee. The grand master urges upon lodges to give more care to the quality of the men selected and less to the idea of large membership. He thinks if this standard were to apply, the volume of initiates would be greatly reduced to the profit and credit of the craft.

A GREAT ENTERPRISE.

Attention is called to the magnitude of the Masonic Home and Asylum. During the year there were admitted 125—62 men, 29 women, 23 boys and 11 girls. The entire membership of the Home is given as 122 children and 320 adults, making a total of 442. Truly this is a large family and stamps this as a great work of beneficence. The grand master says that during the visit of the western governors to the east, a visit was made to the Home at Utica. They intended to make a mere call, but it proved so interesting that they lingered for hours. All expressed great satisfaction and pleasure at the magnitude of the work being accom-

plished for the comfort of the old and the care of the young. Governor EBERHARD of Minnesota says "of all institutions visited on this trip I am sure none will be remembered with more pleasure than the Masonic Home at Utica, New York."

The report of the grand historian gives the details of thirty additional lodges bringing the number so far recorded in the proceedings to almost half the entire number. Each year a section of this is given so that in the end a detailed account will be given of all lodges running through the proceedings for different years.

A Prolific Official.

New York's peculiar provision for a judge advocate enables a thorough and comprehensive report on various points of law as submitted. Brother Charles G. F. Wahle, the present judge advocate, requires forty-two pages to report the various questions submitted to him through the grand master. This is so technical and local as to be of little interest outside of their own state.

Having access to the large number of people coming into the metropolis of America a most efficient employment bureau is conducted. During the year there were 970 applicants for positions. Of this number 58 were boys, 49 girls and 46 women. The ages of the stranded were from sixteen to seventy-seven. The bureau also secured places for 302 people. This relief agency is evidently very efficient and is producing striking results.

A BIG DEBT.

A special committee headed by M.W. WILLIAM SHERER, indicates the total indebtedness as \$2,400,000. The New York City property belonging to the fraternity is given as \$4,000,000, leaving an equity of \$1,600,000. The committee recommended that one-half of this indebtedness be raised immediately and the other half go to the next generation. There are five years in which to accumulate the \$1,200,000. The report recommended that before July 1, 1018, the sum of \$7.00 from each mason of the state be paid into the sinking fund to discharge this indebtedness. These are large financial problems and tax to the utmost the ability of those who have them in charge. Any grand lodge that seeks to build elaborate structures in great cities will find that to finance them requires intelligence and labor. It must be said to the credit of New York masons that they do not neglect their dependents while indulging in high finance and real estate. Their care for the aged mason, his widow and orphan is ample. When this is done, little fault can be found if they desire to sport the adornments of big buildings, big mortgages and strenuous efforts to keep their financial heads above water.

This is the largest grand lodge in America. It does things on a large scale. It pays salaries commensurate with labor and responsibility. A few items of expense herein named are shown by the committee on finance. These are rent of administrative offices, \$7,000; salary of grand secretary, \$5.400; clerk hire grand secretary, \$4,500; bureau of employment, \$3,000; salary of grand lecturer, \$2,400; grand librarian, \$1,700; traveling expenses grand lecturer, \$1,200; committee on correspondence, \$600; clerk hire grand treasurer, \$600; salary grand pursuivant, \$500; grand tyler, \$500; etc.

Owing to the extensive character of judge advocate's work the committee on jurisprudence is relieved entirely from any duty.

THE REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Comes again from the hand of Bro. William Sherer, who writes the review of grand lodges in the English language and Bros. Emil Frenkel and Emanuel Loewenstein, who translate and review the proceedings of grand lodges other than those in the English language.

Application was made for recognition by the Grand Council of Servia, Grand Lodge of Argentine and San Salvador. The committee reports that none of these complies with the standards long since established for recognition. The first two mentioned were refused and San Salvador was deferred for further consideration. The report of each grand lodge is brief, consisting in a large part of quotations. Of Grand Master Darrah's address he says "it is thorough and exhaustive." The report on masonic correspondence of Illinois for 1912 is referred to by saying that "Past Grand Master Owen Scott gives New York three pages, mildly censures our grand master for the suggestion to induce some of our slack or indifferent members to become more active in their lodges." The comment on the report of the commission on appeals giving names of those under discipline was also quoted with approval.

As the Grand Lodge of New York is in communication with the eight German grand bodies the review of these contain much of interest and information. Brothers Frenkel and Loewenstein are able, interesting reviewers of the grand bodies working in other languages.

Grand master, Charles Smith, Oneonta; grand secretary, Edward M. L. Ehlers, New York City.

NEW ZEALAND—1912.

186 Lodges.

23rd Annual.

12,309 Members.

The proceedings did not arrive until October 11, too late for the 1912 report, though the session was held May 8.

In addition to the full-page likeness of Grand Master Thompson in opening the volume, there is also a fine group picture of "the grand officers, lodge representatives and members of the grand lodge, outside Burns Hall, Dunedin."

Grand Master Thompson probably has broken all records in the brevity of his annual address. Here it is in full:

"I am very glad to be able to welcome so large and representative a gathering of my brethren. I am sure that, as has always been the case, our discussions will be carried on in the most fraternal spirit, and that we shall not waste time about matters of little moment, but stick to the material points."

If brevity be the soul of wit, this probably is the wittiest grand master's annual address ever delivered. New Zealand observes the geography of the country in its selection of a grand master. The new one comes from the Southland. All other officers are carefully apportioned to the various districts of the island. Only when objection is made a ballot must be taken.

A PERTINENT SUGGESTION.

The board of general purposes give a most valuable hint to duty in the following reference to future provision for mason's families. The report says—

The attention of the board has been forcibly drawn to the frequent neglect by members of the fraternity in regard to making provision for their families by life insurance.

In the majority of cases coming before the board the applicants are widows left with young children, and in the schedule of particulars supplied it happens far too often that the question concerning insurance on the life of the deceased husband and father is answered "None."

The board feels strongly on this point, and would suggest that grand lodge might well consider the propriety of adding to the interrogatories addressed to candidates a question bringing home to all freemasons their duty in this respect.

How THEY OBLIGATE CANDIDATES.

Illinois masons will be interested in an "improved method of obligating candidates." It is given as follows;

The board having consulted the lodges upon the proposal to introduce the separate Bible system, ascertained that the majority of lodges

are in favor of the suggestion, and having decided upon a suitable style of Bible, having distinctive outward features, an order was given for one thousand copies, which have been received and distributed to the lodges. Owing to the increasing demand for these Bibles another thousand has been ordered, and in all probability the new system will be generally adopted.

ELABORATE INSTALLATION

Ceremonies were conducted. In the proceedings the program was given in full "Trumpet calls," "flourish of trumpets," grand marches, songs and processions were conspicuous in the report as given.

The board of general purposes recommended that a law be enacted making canvassing for office a disqualification and that the same be treated as a masonic offense. "Loss of the S. S. Titanic" was given a page with a black border in memory of those who went down.

A NEW TITLE.

Is appended to the report on correspondence. It is "A review of correspondence and gleanings from the proceedings of sister jurisdictions, 1912."

Bro. Alfred H. Burton writes the review. In his "foreword" he says that the duty of reviewers is not a uniform agreement. He says that "I do not wish to earn the name of a railsitter but am disposed to think that a wise attitude is one between two extremes." He then guardedly ventures to say—

Nothing can be plainer than the truth that American freemasons will never tolerate the suggestion of a central grand lodge. Such idea is as dead as—the Doges, or Queen Anne. But, could not some means be devised by which all American grand lodges could be induced—perhaps gradually—to remove anomalies in their laws and practices? It is an old saw—that lookers-on often see most of the game. Such truth—if it be truth—emboldens me to put forth the above idea; for surely all will admit that a certain amount of uniformity is desirable—say, in the matter of jurisdiction; in that of the proper course with regard to the secrets of a master in the chair (which same, I notice, is frequently a trouble); and other things that will suggest themselves to experienced brethren.

A system of voluntary conferences, such as those held at Baltimore and Philadelphia would be of great value in bringing grand lodges closer together in plans and purposes in which all are mutually interested.

Brother Burton refers to "Illinois as one of the mighty ones."

HEARTILY AGREES.

He quotes Brother Ashley's "Masonry and Religion" in full and describes it as an utterance of good sense. Liberal quotation is made from the annual oration of Bro. W. W. Wilson, grand orator. At the close of a paragraph on religious toleration, Brother Burton says—

I can imagine a chorus of our New Zealand brethren shouting here "Kapai!" I have before explained that this word is Maori for strong approval.

Referring to the Illinois reviewer's reference to big lodges, the New Zealand writer says—

This is pleasant reading for this reviewer, for he has continually, during his three years of office, had to express his wonderment as to how such gigantic lodges can be advantageously worked. He has sought, almost implored, information; in fact, he has felt in danger of being regarded as a bore upon the subject.

Grand master, Maurice Thompson, Invercargill; grand secretary, Malcolm Niccol, Dunedin.

NORTH CAROLINA—1913.

414 Lodges.

126th Annual.

22,214 MEMBERS.

The session of this ancient grand body was held in January, 1913, The book of proceedings did not reach this reviewer until August 16, seven months afterward. It is unusual in these days of rapid printing that the production of a book of but 300 pages should take so long for its publication. However, when it does come it is most acceptable giving an excellent account of masonry in this southern jurisdiction. A full page picture of Grand Master Winchester is the opening adornment. Grand Master McKov gives proper recognition to the death of Past Grand Master Charles F. Hitchcock of Illinois.

In his annual address the grand master acknowledges that when he started out he expected and desired to do something that would call special attention to his work. He finds, however, as most men do, that the business in hand is made up of the most ordinary daily transactions. The great things are so few and so far between that few men ever find them.

CORNER STONES OF CHURCHES.

In referring to the laying of corner stones of buildings other than masonic Brother McKoy says—

There is a general impression that corner stones should only be laid to public buildings, and recently a grand master refused to lay the corner stone of a church, because it was sectarian. We should recognize no sect, religious, political, or otherwise. Such matters pertain to their own private rights and prerogatives, but we proclaim the brotherhood of mankind.

I regard this ceremony as peculiarly masonic. It is not the religious dedication that an Israelite observed when he built his house, nor that observed in the dedication of the walls of Jerusalem, and the dedication of the temple of Solomon. The laying of the corner stone precedes such ceremonies, and my conception of the ceremony is this:

We, being patrons and encouragers of the arts and sciences, and particularly of architecture, would mark our approval of the erection of any great, important, and dignified edifice, displaying architectural features, or bridges, aqueducts, monuments—in fine, any structure that shows dignity, beauty, noble ideas, or the perpetuating the history of great events, or that may tell of the genius of a Calamachus.

The grand master referred to as refusing to lay the corner stone of a church is evidently Brother Darrah of Illinois.

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH O.E.S.

The dedication of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home at Greenboro is reported. It will be seen that the masonic grand lodge has entered into a partnership with the Grand Chapter of Eastern Star. This is a very unusual thing, as masons rarely divide responsibilities with anybody. North Carolina is not only in partnership with the Eastern Star but it is yoked up with the state of North Carolina. The Oxford Orphan Asylum is a great charity and is partly supported by the state and partly by the grand lodge. An excellent picture of this institution is one of the features of this book of proceedings. There are reported 316 children in the institution. Only forty-five of these are children of masons, leaving 271 for which the state provides \$10,000 a year. At last there has been forced upon the brethren of that state the great necessity of caring for aged and indigent masons. The building for this purpose has been completed and, long before this is written, is no doubt occupied by those who have been in need. Report shows that the building cost \$22,000 and is now worth \$40,000. After using available funds, the debt will only be \$6,000. A stirring appeal is made for the masons to come to the rescue and clean up the debt and make it easy to carry on this great charity.

The grand master reports a visit from Grand Master Shryock, who for more than a quarter of a century has been grand master of masons in Maryland. The visit of Past Grand Master Henry Banks of Georgia is also noted.

SUPREMACY OF THE GRAND LODGE.

A very important law suit has been pending in that state for some months. It is known as "the Bayliss suit." The principle involved in this litigation is the supreme power of grand lodge to control ancient craft masonry in the several grand jurisdictions. Against this invasion of the power and right of the grand lodge as a sovereign body the craft are standing solidly. In arguing this question the grand master gives this significant paragraph.

We recognize in the order of Odd Fellows, the Knights of Pythias, and various other associations of men, their great work in spreading the benevolent teaching of masonry and in alleviating distress among suffering humanity. They are not against us; they are with us in the great work. But to assume to be one of us, and cavil for rights and prerogatives of masonry, they would be against us, disturbing all peace and harmony. So when a body claims to practice masonry and holds itself in defiance to our edicts, it becomes clandestine.

There is in this much for reflection. By opposing the recognition of bodies not masonic, though built upon masonry, no inference can be drawn that anybody would not concede their value. The position is that; not being a masonic organization no matter how good its plans, purposes and accomplishments, it cannot be recognized by the grand lodge.

No Decisions.

Grand Master McKoy found it unnecessary to report any decisions. All questions were answered by referring to the code. Most requests for dispensations were refused allowing the law to take its regular course. The grand master makes a novel recommendation concerning the laying of corner stones. He suggests that "the grand lodge have prepared a copper-plate with the name of the grand master and the date of the ceremony engraved thereon to be placed among the relics in the box." He says this custom was formerly used in England.

There were but four new lodges established. It is explained that this was because the grand lodge had required fifteen or more master masons to sign a petition instead of seven as formerly. There is evidently wisdom in this change. Lodges starting out with but seven members often drag out a weak and miserable existence. The card system of the membership of the state is in process of introduction. The sum of \$600 was appropriated to pay clerical expenses.

The annual oration was delivered by Bro. J. E. Saintsing. His theme was "The Mason's Mission." It will be remembered that a few years ago the Grand Orator of Illinois took as his theme "The Mission of Masonry." The treatment was sufficiently different that no charge of

plagiarism could be made. The real heart of his subject is embraced in a poem written by the late professor, John B. Carlyle of Wake Forest College.

MASONRY'S MISSION.

The poem is quite worthy of reproduction.

So long as men grow weary
On pathways dark and dreary;
So long as widows languish
In loneliness and anguish;
So long as each to-morrow
But swells the orphan's sorrow;
Wherever men are falling
'Neath the woes of life appalling—
There masonry has a mission.

So long as hearts are breaking And human faith is shaking; So long as notes of sadness Choke every song of gladness— There the mason has a mission.

To make the cause of duty
Stand forth in all its beauty;
To turn the orphan's wailing
To songs of joy unfailing;
To point the fallen brother
Away from sins that smother,
To stars of hope above him
And loyal hearts that love him;
To make men's visions brighter
And all their burdens lighter;
To keep them from repining
While hope still brighter shining
Goes on to glad fruition—
This is the mason's mission.

On, on, thou radiant mission, Enshrined in song and story, All wreathed about with glory, Till the Founder's wider vision Shall meet a sweet fruition— This is the mason's mission.

The grand orator closed with the old and excellent "Abou Ben Adham." In this it is shown that the way to serve the Lord most effectively is to serve our fellow men.

QUESTIONS OF PRIORITY.

There is substantial difference of opinion in North Carolina regarding the claim of Joseph Montford as provincial grand master of

and for America. Brother Gowen is secretary of the Joseph Montford Memorial Association and proved conclusively to the grand lodge that the claim of priority for Montford is well founded. This was in opposition to the view of John A. Collins, chairman of the committee on correspondence. He based his opinion on the views presented by Edward T. Schultz, the late historian and long time masonic writer of Maryland.

Full discussion of this subject is given and copies of letters and documents, which appear to establish the claim that in 1771 JOSEPH MONTFORD was appointed provincial grand master "of and for America" by authority of the Grand Lodge of England. These elaborate discussions as shown by the controversy between Pennsylvania and Massachusetts may be useful as samples of curious learning but they do not have in them much of practical value to the work of masonry in these latter times.

A plan of life membership was submitted and referred to the committee on code revision. From the experience of other grand lodges it would be entirely proper to suggest to North Carolina that there is little benefit and much danger by the establishment of any system of life membership whatever.

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Of grand lodges is presented by Bro. John A. Collins, this being his seventeenth report on the condition of the craft universal. He says that "freemasonry, throughout the world, is enjoying unparalleled prosperity, numerically and financially, thus enabling the fund of benevolence to be increased." Illinois is in review for 1911. It appears rather singular that our good brother from the south should be so far behind in the march of events. The proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Illinois for 1912 were printed within thirty days after the close of the session. This would bring the proceedings into the hands of the reviewer at least by December 1st. As the book of proceedings of the Old North State did not appear until late in the summer following, there could be little reason seen why this review should not be brought up to date.

Brother Collins refers to the administration of Grand Master Ashley and says that "he had a very busy year and that his administration was eminently successful." Quotations are quite liberal. He gives Brother Ashley's comment regarding attendance of the grand master at social functions. He also heartily commends his views regarding "Masonry and Religion." He says the report on correspondence of Illinois "makes pleasant and instructive reading and the brethren of Illinois are fortunate in having current masonic history presented to them in such attractive form." For this compliment the writer is duly thankful. It

shows that the purpose in mind has been accomplished. It has been the desire of the writer to summarize and present the march of masonic events throughout the world in such a way as to inform and interest the ancient craft in Illinois.

Grand master, F. M. Winchester, Charlotte; grand secretary, John C. Drewry, Raleigh.

NORTH DAKOTA-1912.

102 Lodges.

23rd Annual.

8,358 MEMBERS.

Though the forms were held until the last moment, yet it was found that North Dakota must go over until another year. The grand lodge convened in June but the proceedings did not reach this reviewer until very late in September.

A gain of 351 shows a healthy growth. The annual address of Grand Master Morrison is essentially a business production. He indulges little in rhetorical display. His reference to the death of King Frederick, VIII, of Denmark, is rather unique in masonic writings. Denmark is on the accredited list of few grand lodges. The dead king was grand master of Denmark and was fit subject for comment only by a grand lodge that affiliates with this body.

Very few decisions were reported showing a tranquil obedience and acceptance of North Dakota law. The few that appear are of purely local interest. A letter from the officers of the "International Masonic Club" of London is given in full. It appears that this organization is seeking to cultivate peace among nations through the masons of the world. Its purpose is in line with the real aim and scope of masonry in its civic relations.

CONCURRENT JURISDICTION BETWEEN STATES.

The grand master reports efforts at the establishment of close relations with Montana by attempting to waive jurisdiction over material residing near state lines. Most grand lodges have held that the lodge alone can waive jurisdiction. The grand lodge cannot interfere with the territorial rights of the individual lodge. However, North Dakota decided to establish concurrent jurisdiction over persons residing within specified distances from the Montana line.

The grand master found it necessary to circularize his lodges regarding the proper use of "the keys containing the esoteric work adopted

by the grand lodge." There is always trouble when an attempt is made to perpetuate the knowledge of the work by cipher or key. The only safe way is to have no key.

The grand secretary treads lightly along the line of his duties and those of the grand master. He indulges in comments and recommendations to a limited extent. In his conclusion he shows consciousness of being on questionable ground when he says that—

We realize that this report is already too long, and, no doubt, some of the good brethren among fraternal correspondents will be saying that we are getting out of our sphere and trenching upon the preserves of the grand master. However, we deem it our duty to present these things which come constantly under our notice, and about which we believe the grand lodge desires information. If, however, the grand lodge desires merely dry figures from its grand secretary, we shall be glad to be instructed.

Steps were taken to keep the grand lodge in touch with the "State Sanatorium for Tuberculosis at Dunseith." It is proposed to erect a cottage for the care of masons afflicted with "the white plague."

Social Questions Considered.

The "committee on good of the order" made an elaborate report. On going over this it would seem that the work proposed is in the line of sociology rather than masonry. The enactment of laws for the betterment of the conditions of the employed and their relations to capital would appear to be rather outside of the scope of a grand lodge. This committee discusses social service at length and makes many valuable-suggestions. The report of the committee in cases of discipline omits all names, even those of the lodges. From the published proceedings no one can get any clue as to what was done.

The grand secretary recommended that some form of life membership be provided. The committee referred this subject to the incoming grand master and grand secretary for investigation and report. If older jurisdictions are consulted, their experience will lead to advice never to embark on a plan that will make trouble and enough of it.

The city of Minot was lavish in its entertainments. Where grand lodges move about, year after year, "fun and feed" are more or less abundant.

Groups of past grand masters are shown in two full page pictures. The ten presented bring them down to 1898. Many of these have gone on into the beyond.

The Masonic Veterans' Association was held at the time of the meeting of the grand lodge. The minutes are included with the grand

lodge proceedings. The annual address of Brother Williamson was an elaborate paper, giving an exhaustive review of the growth and progress of masonry in North Dakota.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Is presented by Past Grand Master James W. Foley. Without apology, explanation or introduction he plunges into Alabama and keeps at it until he reaches Wyoming. The review of Illinois is for 1910. Reference is made to the death of Bro. John C. Smith, past grand master, and Bro. Chas. Fisher.

A verse is given of Mrs. Alice J. Whitney's poem at the dedication of the Orphans' Home at LaGrange.

Grand Master Ashley's reference to "Masonry and Religion" is quoted in full with hearty approval. The peroration of Brother Wilson's oration is copied complete.

Grand master, Wm. H. Hoover, Fargo; grand secretary, Walter L. Stockwell, Fargo.

NOVA SCOTIA-1912.

72 Lodges.

47th Annual.

6,456 MEMBERS.

For a very small grand lodge Nova Scotia sends out a pretty large book of proceedings. It takes 517 pages to record masonry's doings in this far northeastern country. A net gain in membership is reported of 233. The session was held at Sydney, June 12 and 13, 1912. Five specials to lay corner stones were included in the proceedings. Distinguished visitors from Prince Edward Island were greeted with usual honors. This grand lodge solves the church going problem by example instead of by precept. The first act was to form in procession and, led by two brass bands, proceed to St. Andrews church to listen to a sermon by Rev. John Princle, who supplied the place of the grand chaplain, Rev. Robert Johnston. He was on his vacation in Ireland, his native country. The sermon was an able one and is printed in full. In discussing great men the preacher quotes this rare verse as a full description of a really great man—

Were I so tall to reach the pole, Or mete the ocean with my span, I would be measured by my soul, The mind's the standard of the man.

THE TITANIC TRAGEDY.

It was off the coast of Nova Scotia that the greatest tragedy of modern times took place. The sinking of the Titanic carried down many masons. The dead that were recovered from the disaster were brought to Halifax and given masonic burial. Grand lodge officers and masonic lodges rendered every assistance possible.

The following lines seem most fitting here.

"Roll on, thou deep and dark blue ocean, roll, Ten thousand flects sweep over them in vain,

Man marks the Earth with ruin, his control stops with the shore, upon

the watery plain,

The wrecks are all thy deed, nor doth remain, A shadow of man's ravage, save his own,

When for a moment, like a drop of rain, He sinks into thy depths, with bubbling groan,

Without a grave, unknelled, uncoffined and unknown."

Usually the grand master's address comes first. In this grand lodge it comes as the last report, following those of the grand secretary, grand treasurer and other officers and committees.

ENGLAND'S GRAND MASTER.

Suitable mention is made of the fact that the DUKE OF CONNAUGHT, grand master of England, is the governor general of Canada. An invitation was presented to him to be present at the ceremony of laying the corner stone of Freemasons' Hall, Halifax. This building was to occupy the site on which a corner stone was laid June 5, 1800, by the grandfather of the present Grand Master of England, the DUKE OF CONNAUGHT. In declining this he said that if only his personal feelings were to be consulted he would gladly accept. In his capacity of governor general, however, it would be impossible for him to do so.

Nova Scotia, though small in territory and in membership, has a Masonic Home in full and successful operation. There are eleven members "well kept and cared for and its capacity is taxed to the utmost." Plans were started to increase the size that all the needy may be accommodated. The Home at present is free from debt.

The death of P.G.M. WILLIAM Ross and P.G.M JOHN W. LAURIE is feelingly noted by the grand master.

MANY DECISIONS.

The grand master indulged freely in decisions. He refused to permit appeals to lodges to help re-build lodge halls destroyed by fire. On the necessity of insurance with much force he says that—

Right here let me say that lodges losing their property by fire should remember that such losses should be covered by insurance. If for economic reason property be left uninsured, it seems to me false economy which no one is justified to practice.

A lodge proposed to raffle off an electric launch to help build a hall. The grand master declined to permit distribution of tickets through the lodges because the scheme was a lottery and contrary both to the masonic and to the civil law. Quite correct.

LACKED RANK.

A man employed in the navy was refused admission to Royal Standard Lodge No. 398 "for want of rank." This lodge is composed of military and naval men. The grand master held that—

If this naval lodge considers the candidate too low in rank, the common principle applies too low for any other lodge, therefore, undesirable material. I accordingly ruled that his petition be not received.

No brother could be found who was willing to accept the work suggested by the grand lodge in writing a history. The grand master intended to do this in his report but found the article would be too lengthy. He, consequently, abandoned it. A call was made for a volunteer to become grand lodge historian.

Broader Masonic Essential.

Among suggestions the grand master enters upon a wide field in the broader education of masons. Grand Master Darrah is also putting emphasis on this line of work. The Nova Scotia grand master says that—

We should become students and search for wisdom, for nothing strengthens the craft like education, with the various means and opportunities of gaining knowledge, masonically speaking, there is no excuse for ignorance. How many of the brethren have the desire to improve the time, when no degree work is on, to peruse the pages of the annual proceedings of our own grand lodge, which contains the reports of grand lodges with which we are in friendly intercourse. These lengthy reports are from the pen of the most scholarly men of the world, and are reviewed by our esteemed grand secretary. The choicest portions appear in these revisions which may well be read in our lodges, thus knowledge would be gained and new interest awakened, giving a broader conception of the wonderful institution of masonry. In this way our members come in touch with the great men who devote so much of their time and talent to masonic research.

Ritualism begins the mason, but reading, education, and reflection must finish him, so after all, it depends upon the man.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Comes from the skilled pen of Thomas Mowbray, who is also grand secretary. For twelve years Brother Mowbray has done this important service.

In referring to Illinois the reviewer notes the "very fine picture of ALBERT B. ASHLEY, M.W. grand master." Without quoting, the reviewer heartily approves Brother Ashley's attitude on "Masonry and Religion." Brother Mowbray thinks the Illinois correspondent should "come over to Canada and learn what true democracy is." This comes in reference to "past ranks" and comments thereon. As an Illinois mason who has "come over to Canada" more than once, the writer needs to be shown on this contention.

Grand master, William M. Christie, Windsor; grand secretary, Thomas Moweray, Halifax.

OHIO—1912.

532 Lodges.

103RD ANNUAL.

86,493 MEMBERS.

The proceedings of Ohio for 1912 are a most attractive volume of 492 pages. The delicate blue of the cover preserves the symbolic color of craft masonry; and yet, is not so dark as to make one who tries to read the printing on it, feel "blue." The session was held at Toledo, October 23, 24, 1912. Scattered all through the book are to be found good pictures of "temples" owned by various lodges throughout the state.

The clear-headed retiring grand master, Thos. B. GITTEAU, faces you on opening the book.

The annual address of the grand master is a brief and forceful presentation of his year's work. A single passage will illustrate its merit. He says that—

While it is highly gratifying to note the wonderful growth of our order and the material prosperity which it enjoys, we should bear in mind that strength of fraternity is not in numbers, and take heed lest in the rapid stride of our growth and prosperity we lose sight of the beautiful tenets of our institution—Brotherly love, relief, and truth.

True as the gospel.

The death angel was kind to Ohio. Only one member of the grand lodge was taken. He was a past deputy grand master and his name was JACOB L. H. LONG.

OHIO'S MASONIC HOME

Is in a most satisfactory condition. The reports show 71 men, 50 women, 28 boys and 22 girls, a total of 171. A careful and fraternal business management gives excellent service to the needy at a minimum cost. The grand master refused all applications for "dispensations to confer degrees upon those whose physical condition would prevent their compliance with the requirements of the code, to confer degrees out of time, to ballot upon candidates at special meetings and to solicit funds for various purposes." In other words our Buckeye brother prefers to let the law take its safe course. There were twenty-five dispensations issued to enable lodges to make a show of themselves by attending church in masonic clothing.

In his conclusion Grand Master Gitteau gives this choice poetic gem.

"May He who hath pencilled the leaves with beauty, given the flowers their bloom, and lent music to the lay of the timid bird, graciously remember you in that day when He shall gather His jewels."

HIGHLY APPRECIATED.

A fitting testimonial of appreciation for Grand Secretary Jacob H. Bromwell, came in the presentation of a handsome office-desk and chair. The picture in the color of the wood faces the full page portrait of Brother Bromwell. The inscription is "Presented to R.W. Bro. Jacob H. Bromwell, on October 25, 1912, by the Grand Lodge F. & A. Masons of Ohio, in grateful recognition of his distinguished services to the craft."

The grand chapter O.E.S., in session at Dayton, sent greetings to the grand lodge. These were returned in a telegram by the grand secretary. The suggestions of the grand master of Kentucky, regarding uniformity of trials in various grand jurisdictions and perpetual jurisdiction, were reported by the committee on jurisprudence as interesting but not sufficiently important to require a change of the law to meet them.

THE DISTINGUISHED DEPARTED.

The death of distinguished brethren in other grand lodges is referred to by the committee on necrology in these beautiful words.

Twenty grand jurisdictions have draped their lights in mourning during the past year and with saddened hearts have laid the badge of a mason upon their coffined dead. We call special attention to the number of active officials who have laid aside their important duties for the rest of the tomb. Rhode Island has lost her grand master, Arkansas her grand junior warden; Kentucky, Utah, and West Virginia, their grand secretaries (R.W. Bro. Diehl having served Utah for forty years, and

R.W. Brother Grant having served Kentucky for thirty-five years); Alabama has lost her grand treasurer, R.W. Bro. Dingley, who had served for forty-two years; and Washington her grand chaplain.

"They fell like autumn fruit, that mellowed long, Even wondered at because they dropped no sooner. Till, like a clock worn out with eating time, The wheels of weary life at last stood still."

Almost Got By.

The committee on foreign correspondence almost let Porto Rico into the Ohio masonic family. On second thought, however, the island grand lodge was told to wait for recognition for another year. A grand lodge that can swallow Mexico ought not to choke on Porto Rico.

As usual the heads of other grand organizations were received with honors.

Report is made, via Appendix A., of a dinner given to all past grand masters by M.W. Bro. Leander Burdick, the senior living past grand master. The entire line of P.G.M.'s was present, except one who was detained on account of illness of his wife. These masonic "kids" appeared to have a most delightful meeting before they sang "Auld Lang Syne."

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Comes a second time from the hand of P.G.M. Nelson Williams, chairman of the committee. He reviews seventy-two proceedings of seventy grand lodges. Illinois for 1911 is gone over. He says "the report of the grand master is called a 'report' and not an address, as usual." What else would you call a report?

Brother Williams says-

He (Grand Master Ashley) states his refusal to issue dispensations for new lodges where it was intended to hold their meetings in buildings that were occupied in part by saloons. We haven't any use for the saloon as an institution, but we haven't much use for an institution that could be seriously affected by holding its meetings in the upper floor of a building with a saloon on the ground floor. We presume the next move will be to decline to issue dispensations for the establishment of lodges in any cities or towns where there are saloons.

If a brother cannot see a good reason for declining to permit a lodge to meet in a place over a saloon, there is little need to argue the impropriety with him. The saloon atmosphere is not favorable to the growth of the high ideals of masonry.

The amendment regarding changing membership in Illinois from one lodge to another by certificate and not a dimit, made no new law.

This provision has been in force for some time. The amendment merely changed some of the minor provisions.

CAN'T SETTLE DOWN.

Regarding the suggestion of the Illinois reviewer that the Grand Lodge of Ohio fix a permanent meeting place Brother Williams says—

He notes our migratory custom and says, "Why not settle down and grow up like Illinois has done?" Well, we don't exactly know why not. It may be that we have no great city of good morals and pure atmosphere, with crystal streams of water flowing through it, like Chicago, in which to meet; and then it may be that our five largest cities are in need of the moralizing, purifying influence of our grand lodge in their midst; but whatever the reason, it has been considered wise to show ourselves and our good moral deportment in the different sections of our state.

OUTSIDERS RECEIVED.

Again the Ohio writer says-

The reviewer does not understand just why our Ohio dignitaries who are at the head of other grand bodies should be formally introduced to our grand lodge as masons. We are wondering if the president of the United States, who at this time happens to be a mason, should visit the Grand Lodge of Illinois, whether our good brother would not fall all over himself in the scramble for an opportunity to introduce him to the grand lodge; and yet, what does the grand lodge know of the "innards" of the "higher degrees" of political activity?

The writer would be glad to introduce President Taft to the Illinois grand lodge. Mr. Taft is a mason and a gentleman of high character but as president he acquires no standing in masonry beyond that held by the humblest craftsman. How does it come that in Ohio the grand sire of the Odd Fellows or the supreme chancellor Knights of Pythias is not presented? They are both masons. They have as much official masonic standing as the grand master of the knights templar, Brother Melish, or any other of the "Ohio dignitaries." At one time, a few years ago, two active members of the Illinois grand lodge, held positions, one at the head of the knights templar of the United States and the other the general grand high priest of general grand chapter of this country. Neither was ever presented to the Grand Lodge of Illinois as such, though both were present during their three years of service in the other bodies.

Brother WILLIAMS presents an attractive report and the Illinois reviewer, if space permitted, would be glad to give more of it.

Grand master, Edwin S. Griffiths, Cleveland; grand secretary, J. H. Bromwell, Cincinnati.

OKLAHOMA-1913.

428 Lodges.

5TH ANNUAL.

20,000 MEMBERS. (ESTIMATED.)

In the above statement of membership it becomes necessary to estimate as the book of proceedings does not give the summary of membership of lodges. In fact, it is difficult to determine the number of lodges as the grand secretary in his publication does not give any footings. The fifth annual as given above refers to the consolidated grand lodge. It was the thirtieth year of the Grand Lodge of the Indian Territory and the twenty-first year of the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma Territory. When these two were combined in one and made a state, the grand lodges united and formed one grand lodge.

The volume containing the proceedings for 1913 is ornamented with a very handsome cover. The design is a large, highly ornamented letter "G." The significance of this will be apparent.

Grand lodge was held at Guthrie February 12 and 13, 1913.

Oklahoma is quite ceremonial in the opening. The deputy grand master calls the brethren to order, sends out a committee and escorts the grand master into the place of meeting with becoming ceremonies. In Illinois, the grand master calls to order and proceeds with such ceremony of opening as seems fitting to him.

There was noted as present sixteen past grand masters of the two constituent Grand Lodges of Oklahoma and Indian Territory. Also one past grand master of Kansas and two of Arkansas. The representative of Illinois near Oklahoma was absent.

Doing Good Work.

The Masonic Home of this new state seems to be in a flourishing condition. Evidently the feature of manual training has been well established. The chairman of the board of control "presented the grand master and grand lodge three gavels, in a highly carved case, which were made by one of the boys in the industrial school at the Masonic Home to be used by the grand lodge at this session." At the afternoon session of the first day, the children of the Home rendered an extensive program to the great delight of the representatives of lodges. There was, a large display of the products made by the boys of the industrial school. It was announced that these would be for sale and the brethren were asked to buy them as far as they were disposed. The report shows that the same number were in the Home as the year previous. The dis-

charges and deaths exactly equaled the admissions. The policy was adopted of placing the children in good families rather than keeping them in the Home. This plan will certainly meet the approval of those who have fully investigated the real interests of the child. No institution is as good for the child as a good family. Oklahoma is trying the experiment of keeping the children and the aged in the same institution. Eleven brothers sojourn at the Home. In other places where this has been tried, it has been deemed wiser to separate them. Perhaps by the cottage system as practiced in Oklahoma the objection to this plan may be obviated.

MADE A PROGRAM.

A committee on rules and order of business prepared and had printed a complete schedule of the business of the sessions of the grand lodge. This was circulated among the representatives at the beginning of the session. It was easy from this for each member to keep track of what was going on and to know at what time various items of business would be considered.

The death of Past Grand Master Harvey W. Lindsay of the Grand Lodge of the Indian Territory, was reported. The death of our own past grand master, Charles F. Hitchcock, received due notice.

Among the dispensations granted were two "to attend church in masonic clothing." So far, no one has yet been able to offer any substantial reason why a lodge of masons should don the paraphernalia of the craft and make a public display of it in attending church.

THE LAW CONSTRUED.

Under decisions, the grand master held that a past master in the absence of the master and wardens had no power to open the lodge. Any meeting so opened and held would be void and what was done could not be confirmed and ratified afterwards. It was also decided that one who had lost the index finger of the right hand was ineligible to receive the degrees in masonry. A citizen of another country who had resided within the jurisdiction of the lodge a sufficient length of time was held to be qualified to petition for the degrees. Concerning the committee on investigation the practice of this grand lodge is at variance with that of Illinois. In Oklahoma the report may be either verbal or in writing. If verbal, at least two of the committee must be in the lodge at time of report. The theory adopted here is that the investigating committee is not like any other committee where a majority and a minority may be represented. There are really three committees of one, each acting independently of the others and each making a private ver-

bal report to the master. These three reports comprise that many different sources of information regarding the character and standing of the applicant. It would seem that this is the correct theory, as nothing is expected of the committee other than mere information concerning the fitness of the applicant. It was held that where a master had permanently removed from the jurisdiction a dispensation to hold an election to fill the vacancy might be issued. In such a case, the senior warden is eligible to be elected master.

SOMEWHAT COMMERCIAL.

The oration was delivered by Bro. William H. Talmage. One year ago Brother Talmage presented his oration on the subject of "Prices, Profits and Wages." Request came to him to suggest the remedy for the evils he found in our social system. To meet this request, the orator had printed his oration of last year together with his remedy. This book he is selling at 25c a copy.

Some years ago the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma severed relations with New Jersey on account of the negro question. In Jersey there is a lodge of colored men under the authority of the grand lodge of that state. Following the lead of one of the southern states Oklahoma refused longer to affiliate with them. The proposition was made this year to take up the question and renew the fraternal relations with the offending state. This was first referred to the committee on law and usage. After due consideration this committee recommended that the resolution go to the committee on foreign correspondence to be reported upon the first day of the next session of the grand lodge. This was adopted.

No Smoke House Allowed.

The committee on law and usage recommended "that smoking should never be permitted in any lodge room while the lodge is in session." This was approved without opposition. Truly no mason can reasonably expect that a lodge will tolerate any individual indulging in habits that are offensive to other members. Brethren who are such slaves to the habit of smoking that they are unable to refrain during a lodge session should not attend.

A proposition was made to reduce the salary of the grand secretary from \$2,500 to \$1,500 per year. The votes showed that the grand lodge had little sympathy with this. Eighteen voted for reduction and 582 against it.

For the first time in many years Past Grand Master Joseph S. Murrow, "the father of freemasonry in Oklahoma," was unable to be present.

This aged masonic veteran has so much the love of his brethren that a testimonial was prepared upon parchment and forwarded to him. It was as follows:

Whereas, God in His infinite goodness and mercy has for many years given to our dear brother, Joseph Samuel Murrow, the father of masonry in Oklahoma, the wisdom, the energy, and the love to build the great brotherhood through the years of its infancy, to its present development.

Therefore, We proudly embrace this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to him, engrossed upon this enduring parchment, for the heroic labor of love he performed that we, his brethren, might thereby be benefited. May the Great God of the Universe have him ever in His holy keeping.

Here indeed is a father in masonic Israel and a prophet with honor in his own country.

The Eastern Star showed its activity in helping the children by sending a letter concerning the Christmas fund which provides for the comfort and cheer of the children at this time.

ONLY A FEW REVIEWED.

The annual review comes for the second time from Bro. Thomas C. Humphry. But thirty-seven jurisdictions are contained in his report. He reviews all whose proceedings reached him in time. The report of Brother Humphry is very brief and consists mostly in summarizing the actions of other grand bodies. Almost two pages are devoted to Illinois. He says—"It is refreshing to read of the growth of the masonic fraternity, especially to readers of the press of the country. Politicians have given the great state such an unenviable repute that we rejoice to read Brother Darrah's hope of the future." He then copies in full Brother Darrah's address on this subject. Again he says, "Hurrah for Darrah on the smoking habit in the lodge. I clip what he says with a vociferous Amen."

SOME HOT SMOKE

Referring to the habit of smoking in the lodge room he adds-

The smoking fad has already gone so far that we find it in courts, lodges, in the parlor, at the dining table, and at the present rate will soon, be in church and pulpit and the communicant at the "Lord's Table" will hold a cigarette between his fingers or lay the cigar down for a moment while he takes the bread and wine.

Brother HUMPHRY admits that his arithmetic was a little faulty in saying that the Illinois report the year previous contained 445 pages. He agrees with the Illinois reviewer and the law of Illinois that a trial

leading to conviction in a civil court cannot be used as evidence against a brother in a masonic trial. Brother Humphry is not a novice in reviewing grand lodge proceedings. This is his second for the consolidated grand lodge, but he had written six for the Indian Territory before it was combined with Oklahoma.

Grand master, Charles L. Reeder, Tulsa; grand secretary, William M. Anderson, Oklahoma City.

OREGON-1913.

135 Lodges.

63RD ANNUAL.

12,315 MEMBERS.

The proceedings of this far west grand lodge come in a dress of green. Except for the printing it might have been supposed to be a representative of the Emerald Isle. The annual was held at Portland June 11, 12, 13, 1913. Though there are but 135 lodges and a trifle over 12,000 members three full days, two sessions a day, are required to transact the business. In Illinois with over 800 lodges and 115,000 members, but three days, one session a day, are necessary to transact the business. A reception was tendered representatives of other grand lodges. Among these Bro. W. T. Wright, representing Illinois, was present. After the speeches of reception and introduction these distinguished masonic diplomats were invited to seats in the east as guests of the Grand Lodge of Oregon.

In the death roll of other states Past Grand Master Charles F. Hitchcock's name appears.

The grand master reports twenty-five decisions, most of which are peculiar to the local laws of that grand lodge. In one case it is held that a non-affiliated mason cannot become a member because he does not reside in that state. It is also decided that where a non-affiliate makes no effort to become a member of a lodge for a year that he no longer has a right to visit any lodge. The superintendent of a brewery was considered disqualified for membership in a masonic lodge.

MUST HAVE A RESIDENCE.

In one case a man went to Michigan to visit. While there he applied for and received the three degrees in masonry. It was decided that he had no masonic standing in Oregon. "The proper course for the local lodge is to have no masonic intercourse with him in any way or to recognize any action of the Michigan lodge." This may seem rather severe, but it certainly is in accord with propriety and decency. If a man does not take enough interest to join a lodge at his home, he should not be permitted to do so elsewhere. If there be any reason why he cannot join where he resides it should not be permitted that he escape the proper judgment of his neighbors by being elected and becoming a member away from home. Oregon has gotten so far away from the old customs that a master elect does not need to have a past masters's degree conferred upon him prior to installation. One by one this foolish prerequisite is being abolished by grand lodges.

GENERAL GRAND LODGE.

The grand master recommended that all the grand lodges of the United States and the British provinces in North America be invited to come together to form a general grand lodge. This was referred to a special committee of five past grand masters. The report was of such a character as to let the grand master down easy. The committee thought that such an organization might be of value as an advisory body and when the sentiment was sufficiently extensive among grand lodges to sustain such a body, the Oregon grand lodge would participate in the organization. As there is practically no sentiment in favor of such a grand lodge there is little danger of this body being called upon to participate. Conferences on matters of general interest are useful and are often helpful, but a general grand lodge with governing powers is far in the distance. Past Grand Master Bell's resolution adopted at Philadelphia appears to have settled for all time this question. This comes up sporadically by some inexperienced and poorly informed enthusiast.

The grand master refers to the establishment in the city of Portland of clandestine lodges. He wisely says that the way to treat them is to ignore them. Provision was made for a receipt for dues with a certificate of the grand secretary as to the regularity of the lodge issuing it. This is practically the same as the new provision in Illinois.

Temples vs. Homes.

The grand secretary in his report urges the erection of a new temple. He says that the present one is not adequate or satisfactory and adds, "nor is it in keeping with other grand jurisdictions." He suggests that agitation is going on for a new temple with adequate equipment for masonic purposes. With a grand lodge of 12,000 membership, the erection of an up-to-date temple, the equal of a jurisdiction of ten times the membership of this Pacific grand lodge, would be a burden difficult to

carry and a problem hard to solve. Oregon has as yet no provision for caring for its dependents. Agitation for a home for the distressed worthy brother, his widow and orphans would be so much more in line with the duty of masons.

Note is made of the payment of \$500 to Bro. L. A. Goddard, of Illinois, for the relief of those who suffered from the floods in the early part of the year.

The annual oration was delivered by Rev. Benjamin Young on "Symbolism and Idealism." On recommendation of the committee on correspondence the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands was recognized as a legitimate governing body of masons. The committee on jurisprudence reports adversely where a mason desires to become a member of a lodge in Oregon and retain membership in a lodge in England. Dual membership was considered illegal.

THE REPORT OF GRAND LODGES

Is presented by Bro. David P. Mason. It was his third report on the masonry of the world. He is quite elaborate in summarizing the proceedings. Little is included in his work beyond merely narrating what was done. Illinois is treated in four pages. Few opinions are expressed. Three quotations are made from the address of Grand Master Darrail. These are with reference to the growth of masonry in ten years, the use of cipher rituals and that referring to the study side of masonry. From the report on correspondence presented by the writer one year ago he clips almost the entire introduction, giving the membership of masonic bodies throughout the world.

Grand master, S. S. Spencer, Eugene; grand secretary, James F. Robinson, Portland, 388 Yamhill St.

PENNSYLVANIA—1912.

486 Lodges.

126th Annual.

105,242 MEMBERS.

The proceedings of this veteran grand lodge open with a fine engraving of the masonic temple in Philadelphia. This is one of the most imposing structures of the kind in the world. Justly from this, together with the sterling character of its masonic work, the Keystone state has become famous.

The full page portrait of the grand master for 1912 and 1913, William L. Gorgas, is a further adornment of the opening pages.

Most of the details of the business during the year were transacted in the four quarterly meetings that were held in March, June, September and December. The year closes with the annual meeting held December 27th, St. John's Day.

The large undertaking of the Masonic Home, under the direction of the grand lodge, calls for considerable expenditure of money reaching up into the hundreds of thousands of dollars. In order to meet this, the grand master and grand secretary were authorized at the March meeting to make such loans as current requirements demanded.

ONLY GOT ONE.

A special meeting was held May 23d, at which the grand master endeavored to have present two of the world's notables. He did not fully succeed. One of these, WILLIAM H. TAFT, president of the United States, was on exhibition.

The other was the grand master of masons of England, who is governor-general of Canada. The latter did not attend because in coming to Canada he felt that owing to his official position he could not accept masonic invitations. For this reason the grand master of Pennsylvania failed in his effort to have a meeting at which these two men of world renown were present.

The propriety of this sort of display is questionable. Mr. Taft is no more in masonry than any individual. He was made a mason at sight and brought agitation in the masonic world thereby. He has held no position or accomplished no work in masonry. The attempt to place him in the light of a head liner is very little in keeping with the spirit of the great fraternity which "regards no man for his worldly wealth or honors."

The visit of the Duke of Connaught, who is the grand master of the Grand Lodge of England would have been very delightful. Pennsylvania is the daughter of Grand Lodge of England.

ANOTHER AT SIGHT.

One other occurrence at this meeting will plunge the masonic writer into a sea of discussion.

The grand master saw fit to take Marlin F. Olmsted and make him a mason at sight. Mr. Olmsted was a member of congress. This again furnished little reason for his preferment. The right and power of a grand master to make a mason at sight is questioned by excellent authority. For that reason, unless Ahiman Rezon distinctly authorized it, the prerogative of making a mason at sight would better be honored in the breach, than in the observance.

Every man being qualified physically, mentally and morally should be submitted to the judgment of his neighbors before admission to masonry. True he may have the degrees conferred upon him in regular order, but it does not do away with the fact that he is practically elected by favor of the grand master.

It is rather singular that in most cases men who are thus preferred are those who occupy high positions in civic life.

MASONRY HONORS EVEN A PRESIDENT.

The grand master extended further consideration to President Taft by having the grand honors extended to him. No one would have thought of doing this if Mr. Taft had not held the great office as the head of the American Republic. This distinguished man is one of excellent character and large ability and is entitled to the respect of the people because of it. It is well known, however, that masonry is not honored by any man, no matter how exalted the position he holds in the world. On the other hand, masonry honors all men who pass through its mysteries.

At the quarterly meeting held in December grand lodge officers were elected, although they were not installed until the annual, which came a few weeks later.

Pursuing the same custom that prevails in Illinois, Grand Master Gorgas was re-elected. The two-year term idea prevails.

THE GREAT MASONIC HOME.

Reference has been made to the great work Pennsylvania is doing in building a Masonic Home. The plan of this is on a more extensive scale than that of any other grand lodge.

Most extensive facilities for caring for all those who need the assistance of the craft are being provided

The committee's report shows a large number of visitors at the Home. One hundred and thirty lodges of Pennsylvania have been represented in this and twelve representatives from other grand jurisdictions. During the year there were 1,109 registered visitors. This large number would seem to show a great interest in the work, but it also suggests that a Masonic Home might be injured by overdoing it. It should not merely be a place of show.

Homes of the World.

Past Grand Master Oflady presented the information regarding homes in other grand lodges as follows;

There are Masonic Homes established in twenty-four jurisdictions; in twelve others, funds are being accumulated to be applied to this design as soon as sufficient funds are secured, or proper sites selected. The aggregate of affiliated members in the jurisdictions in which Homes are established and contemplated is 825,000. The number in jurisdictions in which no Home is contemplated is 40,000. The number of persons maintained in Homes is 2,800; the aggregate value of Masonic Homes and funds is \$4,000,000. There are but two jurisdictions with a Masonic Home debt.

This shows how widely the Home spirit has extended and the excellent provisions made for caring for the needy.

A WIDE VISION.

In its report the committee gives something of the scope of the Home plans. It says—

As the work has progressed, its importance and magnitude have grown upon each member of the committee. This does not refer merely to the money invested, but to the vast undertaking which lies before us, in carrying out the spirit of the resolutions, which stated that the purpose of the grand lodge was, to "properly care for dependent masons, their wives, widows, and orphan children."

Our work is permanent, and we must lay its foundation deep enough and broad enough for all time. Our ideals are high and it is incumbent upon us to build up to them. The controlling thought of the committee is, that the Home shall be the extreme antithesis of an almshouse, and that there shall be nowhere in evidence, a single suggestion of such an institution. Much thought and attention have been given to this subject. In looking over the field, we find that while there are some institutions which resemble this, ours is unique. If the scope planned by the committee is carried out, nothing like it will have been developed anywhere.

The committee strongly feels that each member who is received in this Home should be an integral part of a real, living, moving community, in which he or she has an important part, and that there should be upon each, a feeling of responsibility for some work, for which each may be best adapted, whether it be the care of flowers, spraying of trees, inspection of cattle, care of the library, or looking after the household linen. In this masonic village there should be no drones, no inactive members, saving only those who may be incapacitated, but each should feel that there is still for him or her, a real purpose in living. Fortunately, we have a wealth of resources to enable us to carry out this thought. The numerous activities, which may be called into play along this line, include agriculture, horticulture, forestry, road making, carpentry, domestic science, and many other lines of interest which easily suggest themselves.

It must be understood that those who enter our gates, do not leave behind them hope nor inspiration. They must feel with the rest of us that

> "Every day is a fresh beginning, Every morn is the world made new,"

and enter upon the duties of each new day with hearts filled with praise and gratitude to Him who directs and rules and governs the Universe.

This presents the thought of our Homes in its true spirit.

NOT ALMS HOUSES.

There are those who look upon provisions for the aged, infirm, helpless and children as poor-houses or asylums. This is farthest from the thought of the fraternity. The purpose is to make it a real home for the worthy, distressed mason, his widow and orphans.

To show something of the extent to which they are beautifying the grounds it may be said that twelve pages are given to the common and botanical names of trees, shrubs and plants that are planted on the Home premises.

Pennsylvania has had a Home for years known as the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania. It was an incorporation of masons, but the grand lodge had no control or management of it. At the last meeting in December a resolution was adopted inviting the management of this Home to turn it over to the control of the grand lodge. Assurances were given that there would be no expense to the private corporation and that all dependents under its control would be as fully cared for as would have been possible under the old plan.

This resolution was adopted and the corporation requested to notify the grand master March 1, 1913, of the acceptance or rejection.

Pennsylvania would appear to be unique in the great provision the grand lodge is making for caring for those who need assistance. The reports show that the Masonic Home at Elizabethtown would be completed by June 1, 1913.

OTHERS HELPED.

The charity work for Pennsylvania is not confined to its Home. They have a large charity fund and the persons receiving assistance during the year number 737. Of these 667 were from Pennsylvania. The others were scattered among various other states. Illinois was favored by having three of its members cared for in this way.

The grand master made but three decisions. Two of these were of no outside importance. The other one holds that physical disqualifications arising after the initiation of a brother will not prevent his advancement, provided he is mentally and morally qualified.

Brief Review.

The report on correspondence only includes seven grand lodges. Illinois is not among these. The report is written by Brother James M. Lamberton, who has for years written the review.

He gives the following as explanation for this brevity-

The committee very much regrets that its report is so very incomplete. The chairman was delayed in beginning the report, owing to his being engaged (at the request of the right worshipful grand master) upon some other masonic work, and a serious surgical operation and its attendant weakness effectually dissipated his hope of preparing the usual complete report in time to be printed in the proceedings of 1012.

It is to be regretted that some one could not have taken up and given this review. Pennsylvania is looked to for valuable information in the summary of the news of masonry. However, the excuse will no doubt be sufficient to justify the very meager report.

Grand master, William L. Gorgas, Philadelphia; grand secretary, John A. Perry, Philadelphia.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS—1913.

3 Lodges.

IST ANNUAL.

MEMBERSHIP NOT GIVEN.

Assuming that the Grand Lodge of Illinois will adopt the recommendation of this committee and recognize the Grand Lodge of Philippine Islands, a brief review of the first annual communication is appended.

The grand lodge organization was perfected at Manila, December 18, 1912. The first meeting to organize was held in November and had

representatives of three lodges. These were Manila Lodge No. 342, Cavite Lodge No. 350 and Corregidor Lodge No. 386, all holding charters under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of California. There were also representatives of two lodges holding charters under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Scotland. These were Perla del Oriente Lodge No. 1034 and Cebu Lodge No. 1106. These lodges were in territory where no other governing body of ancient craft masonry existed.

At the annual meeting February, 1913, the three lodges authorized by California were given numbers 1, 2, 3 in the following order; Manila, Cavite, Corregidor. Though masonry is having a small number in its beginning in the Philippine Islands, yet, with the growth of civilization in the far East, this number may be largely augmented and the ancient fraternity be a factor in the development of that part of the world.

GRAND MASTER ABSENT.

The grand lodge met under one embarrassment. The grand master, Bro. H. Eugene Stafford, found it necessary on account of iliness to came to the United States for surgical and medical treatment. The deputy grand master, Bro. George B. Harvey, was in charge. Little was done at this session beyond perfecting details of the organization. A code of laws was adopted. The ritual of the Grand Lodge of California was agreed upon as the work for the new grand lodge.

As an evidence of the true spirit of masonry the grand lodge established the masonic board of relief for the purpose of assisting visiting and sojourning masons, their widows and orphans.

The pamphlet giving the proceedings is a very respectable looking document and is quite American in its form and appearance.

Grand master H. EUGENE STAFFORD, Manila; grand secretary, Amos G. Bellis, Manila.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND—1912.

15 Lodges.

37th Annual.

741 MEMBERS.

This smallest of grand lodges, having in the entire province a less membership than some of the big lodges, held its annual session at Alberton June 26, 1912. Illinois was not represented.

In his address the grand master expresses gratification because the Grand Master of England has become the governor-general of Canada, of which Prince Edward Island is a constituent part.

There were no deaths among grand officers during the year. One new lodge was formed since the last meeting. The grand treasurer's report shows total balance and receipts at \$813.73. The finances appear to be in a sound condition, there being a balance of \$417.07 after all claims are paid. With the scant membership shown there are nine "associate life members." The benevolent fund makes ample provision for the care of any who might be in need. Owing to the unrest and generally unsettled condition of affairs in Mexico, recognition was withheld from the York Grand Lodge.

The committee on foreign correspondence does not present a review of grand lodges. This is because the brethren have so determined. Evidently the chairman of the committee, Bro. W. P. Doull, feels like taking a hand in the discussion of topics suggested by the proceedings of the various grand lodges. The committee presents the need of brethren who desire to visit outside of the Island, to procure documentary evidence to meet the almost universal demand now made.

Grand master, John T. Profit, Alberton; grand secretary, W. P. Doull, Charlottetown.

QUEBEC—1913.

65 Lodges.

43RD ANNUAL.

7,359 MEMBERS.

The book of proceedings of our Canadian neighbor is ornamented with a handsome picture of the grand master in all the paraphernalia of his exalted station. He wears the yoke collar and apron with all the symbols in the catalogue of masonry. With his gloves, gauntlet, dress suit and sturdy face, he makes an imposing picture. The volume is further adorned with a fac-simile of the charter of the lodge in 4th batallion of the Royal Artillery 1752. This belongs to Albion Lodge No. 2, Quebec. To continue the display of ancient relics another page is ornamented by a picture of the jewel worn in Dorchester Lodge No. 3 in 1793.

The annual meeting was held at Montreal on Wednesday, the 13th day of February, 1913. R.W. Bro. H. E. Channell, representative of Illinois, is recorded as present. Special honor was bestowed upon Bro. Melbourne M. Tait, representative of the Grand Lodge of England, who was in attendance.

AN ABLE ADDRESS.

The grand master, Rev. Frank Charters delivered a very interesting address detailing the work of the grand jurisdiction for the year past. He reports that he had had many invitations to preach at annual or church services. Other duties prevented him from accepting any but seven, which he details. He urgently advocates what he calls "proof of standing." In other quarters, this is known as documentary evidence. He says that "the masons who from time to time visit other parts of this country, or the United States, are placed in a position of discomfort and disadvantage owing to the fact that we have no authorized form of proof of their masonic standing. Not only is this so, but there appears to be a real need of this proof within the limits of our own province." So earnestly did the grand master plead for "proof of standing" that the grand lodge saw the necessity and a resolution was adopted to provide in the law for the written evidence of masonic standing. This is very similar to that which is adopted and in force in Illinois. He further says that "dimitted masons must be made to feel that their position in the craft is at best very indefinite and that apart from one visit permited them from courtesy, rather than by right, they have no masonic rights until such time as they again enter the ranks of the workers." It appears from this that the shirkers at masonic functions are no more welcome in Quebec than they are in other parts of the masonic world.

WHY FREE MASONS?

Instead of the stated oration the grand chaplain, Rev. William Henderson, delivered an address. He took two texts of scripture, making it look much like a sermon. A running review of the origin of masonry and its relation to the building of the temple were features. A single paragraph from this throws light on a question often propounded in masonic circles. He says that—

It is sometimes asked, "Why called Free Masons?" From the 7th to the 12th centuries, diplomas were granted by the reigning powers conferring on the operative mason the right to construct religious and national buildings, and they were free from certain taxes and restrictions, and the people called them "Free Masons." In 1275 they held a large congress in Strassburg on the storied Rhine and took that phrase as the official name. Our chief sovereigns, including Alfred the Great, Edward the Confessor, William III., Henry VII., to the present royal line, have been patrons of the craft.

In Quebec a nominating committee is provided. Its duty is not to name the officers of the grand lodge, but to select and report the various standing committees. In this state, it is the prerogative of the grand master to appoint all committees.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Is again presented by E. T. D. Chambers, P.G.M. He says that in going over the proceedings of sister grand lodges one is struck with the progress of the craft in all parts of the civilized world. He then adds—"In mechanical production, several of them leave nothing to be desired. Of their literary excellence, it must suffice to say that many of them do not compare unfavorably with those of a score and more years ago. This is no mean compliment to pay, when we pause to think of Drummond, Vaux and the other literary giants who were amongst the grand lodge reviewers of the late eighties and early nineties of the last century."

SOMETHING MORE THAN RITUAL.

Brother Chambers very wisely says—

Our lodges need, in some instances, to be reminded that the conferring of degrees is not by any means all there is of masonic work. Too often we fear it is only too true that lodges "have no work on" when there are no degrees to be conferred. Yet this should not be. The first and chief duty of a master is not to confer degrees, but to instruct the brethren or to cause the same to be done by a fit and proper person in his absence. Even when there is degree work to be done, it should not usurp the entire time of the lodge. No wonder is it that so many lodge members tire of attending meetings at which nothing but degree work is done. It would often be far better for the master to introduce attractive lectures or papers by well-skilled brothers in the lodge on regular meeting nights, and, if necessary, to postpone a part or the whole of the degree work to an emergent meeting. Lodges are mainly for the instruction, the improvement and the mutual benefit of their members, and not recruiting grounds for the craft. And masonry is a beautiful system of morality, and not an organization whose chief aim is its own aggrandisement.

This is very much in line with the movement inaugurated by Grand Master Darrah for the broadening of the work of masonry. Members of the craft should not merely know the ritual but they should have a wider understanding of the scope and purpose of masonry.

PRETENDED MASONIC BODIES.

Brother Chambers refers to the dangerous acceptance of pretended masonic bodies throughout the world. He says—"It is gratifying to note that a number of grand lodges are awakening to the need there is for great caution in the recognition of European, Mexican and South American grand lodges and orients of so-called freemasonry. The absurdity of recognizing as legitimate freemasonry, anything and everything that can pronounce the masonic shibboleth is being pointed out by some of the most skillful members of the masonic corps reportorial."

Under the District of Columbia he has this significant paragraph. In speaking of the report of Brother Baird, correspondent at Washington, he says—

He comments instructively upon the propositions of Brother La Tente as to recognizable and unrecognizable grand lodges, and we are pretty close to him when he says that while he is earnestly in favor of international masonic fraternization, he is much opposed to encouraging the fungus sprouting and irregular formation of any sort of soi-disant masonry. We are sorry, however, to be unable to recognize, with him, a body, which like the Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina, justified and apologizes for the apostasy of the Grand Orient of France.

INTERNATIONAL BUREAU SCHEME.

In his review of Canada "in the province of Ontario," Brother Chambers quotes from the views of Past Grand Master Freed as follows;

"Another begging scheme which is being pushed to the limit is that of the so-called International Bureau of Switzerland. The ostensible object of the bureau is to secure unity among all masonic bodies throughout the world. Some grand bodies (notably the Grand Orient of France) have violated the fundamental principles of primitive masonry, have banished the Volume of the Sacred Law from their altars and the name of the great Architect of the Universe from their ritual, and regular masons have refused to hold fraternal intercourse with them. The gentlemen of the international bureau hold that this is wrong, and that no matter how far a body calling itself masonic may wander from the ancient path—no matter how Godless may be its teachings—it should still be recognized as a body of the true fold. Every clandestine pretender ought to be welcomed to the great fraternity, and every adventurer with ambition to gratify or a scheme to promote ought to be received with open arms. But all these appeals for "unity" are accompanied by stronger appeals for cash, and masonry appears to be measured by the amount of money contributed to the treasury of the international bureau."

ABOUT ILLINOIS.

Brother Chambers gives in his brief review almost three pages to Illinois. This is quite liberal. Grand Master Darrah's comment on the abuse of the black ball is given in full. Also the report of the committee on the grand master's address on the same subject. He says that M.W. Bro. Alexander H. Bell delivered an able and eloquent address, as grand orator, taking for his subject the "Origin and Development of Man." In his review of last year Brother Chambers, or the printer, designated the writer of the Illinois report as Owen "Smith." At the risk of being a little immodest and possibly vain, the liberty is taken of quoting his paragraph in answer to the criticism regarding this. He says—

Past Grand Master Owen Scott—whose name (Great Scott, forgive us) our printer last year transformed into "Smith,"—regales us with another of his scholarly reports of correspondence, extending over 230 pages. He analyzes searchingly, extracts judiciously and criticizes kindly but frankly. It is encouraging to find how firmly he approves our stand in regard to those who would have us recognize the bastard masonry of France.

Grand master, John E. Wright, Montreal; grand secretary, Will H. Whyte, Montreal.

QUEENSLAND—1912.

59 Lodges.

8TH ANNUAL.

2,100 MEMBERS.

Queensland in its form and make-up is distinctly British. The proceedings follow the plan of the mother grand lodges. For this reason, it is not easy to review and when done, the result is not satisfactory, at least to American masons.

The year is chopped up into special and quarterly meetings. The first was a special held at Brisbane in August, 1911. Distinguished visitors from New South Wales were received with masonic honors. The principal business of the session appears to have been the installation of Bro. A. M. Hertzberg as grand master and the investiture of other grand officers.

How HE IS INSTALLED.

The form of installation is out of the ordinary. The grand master addressed the grand lodge and said—

Acting on the precedents in this grand lodge, as you have re-elected me as your grand master, I now re-affirm the obligation I took on my first installation, this obligation I promise to fulfill during the ensuing twelve months, or until my successor shall have been duly elected and installed in my stead. So help me God.

The grand master was then proclaimed in the east, west, and south as installed in the chair for the ensuing twelve months, or until his successor shall be elected and installed in his stead.

He thus entered upon his third year. Other grand officers re-appointed or re-elected also affirmed and were invested with the jewels of their offices. Though small in numbers the brethren of Queensland are caring for the helpless and the needy. From their Benevolent Fund, three widows, five orphans and two indigent brethren received weekly stipends, "irrespective of those for whom the Widows, Orphans and Aged

Masons Institution provides." The latter cared for nine orphans by allowances to their mothers.

Bro. C. H. HARLEY, the representative of Illinois, was present.

How to Go to Law.

In his address at the consecration of a lodge the grand master reviewed the ancient charges. Among these was the following "concerning lawsuits." He said-

If a brother do you injury, apply first to your own or his grand lodge, and if you are not satisfied, you may appeal to the grand lodge; but you must never take a legal course till the cause cannot be otherwise decided; for if the affair be only between masons and about masonry, lawsuits ought to be prevented by the good advice of prudent brethren. who are the best referees of such differences.

But if that reference be either impracticable or unsuccessful, and the affair must be brought into the courts of law or equity, yet still you must avoid all wrath, malice, and rancour, in carrying on the suit; not saving or doing anything that may hinder the continuance or renewal of brotherly love and friendship, which is the glory and cement of this ancient fraternity; that we may show to all the world the benign influence of masonry, as all wise, true and faithful brethren have done from the beginning of time, and will do till architecture shall be dissolved in the general conflagration.

The foregoing contains a sound philosophy that, if practical, among masons, would go far toward bringing universal harmony and peace among men.

Specific Forms of Charity.

He further says that-

In our ceremonies and obligations we lay strong emphasis on charity, and in our practice we endeavour to give effect to that special teaching. The ordinary interpretation of the word "charity," is "almsgiving." the old Jewish sages have said that greater than alms-giving is "benev-olence" and they have divided benevolence into seven aspects of assistance, viz.:

- (1) To feed the hungry.
- (2) To clothe the naked.
- (3) To tend the sick.
- (4) To bury the dead. (5) To comfort the mourner. (6) To ransom the captive.
- (7) To educate the orphan.

The comments of Illinois and Wyoming correspondents are quoted on initiation on the night of ballot; also regarding the masonic "Lewis," this latter being the initiation of a young man under twenty-one, merely because he is the son of a master mason.

RECOGNIZED BY IRELAND.

The great event in Queensland for the year was the recognition by the Grand Lodge of Ireland. The tri-partite agreement between England, Scotland and Ireland has prevented the latter from following its inclination to do justice to this little grand lodge in Australasia. Now that the ice is broken, it is to be hoped that England and Scotland will do likewise.

The record for the year is found in a pamphlet of ninety-two pages. No correspondence report is prepared or given.

Grand master, A. M. Hertzberg; grand secretary, Charles H. Harley, Brisbane.

RHODE ISLAND-1912.

37 Lodges.

122ND ANNUAL.

8,117 MEMBERS.

Held in May, the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island reached this reviewer November 1, 1912. Rather deliberate for bustling, busy "Little Rhody." The number of lodges remains the same but the membership shows a gain of 306 during the year.

A sad refrain runs through the proceedings. At the semi-annual held November 20, 1911, the grand master, Bro. John B. Gay, was reported too ill to be present. Bro. Wendell R. Davis, deputy grand master, was in charge. Eight days later the grand lodge met in "emergent communication" for the purpose of "paying the last tribute of respect to the memory of our M.W. grand master, James Bacon Gay, who passed away on Saturday, November 25." In his address to the grand lodge at its annual meeting in May, 1912, the acting grand master said that twice before the grand lodge had met under similar circumstances. Twice before a grand master had died while in office. One year before, as acting grand master, Brother Gay reported the death of Grand Master Henry W. Rugg. Now Deputy Grand Master Wendell R. Davis, in a similar way, announces the decease of Grand Master James B. Gay.

Outside of merely routine the business of the session was very limited.

TO DROP ANCIENT.

A committee on ritual recommended changing the title, dropping the word "Ancient" and leaving it merely "Free and Accepted Masons." The reason for the change is that "this name (A.F. & A.M.) is in conflict with the title given in the act of incorporation of this grand lodge 100 years ago this month." Does not the addition of a century begin to make the discarded word "ancient" appear as very proper? Why not change the act of incorporation by the means by which Illinois, a year or so ago, restored "ancient" to its name?

The record shows Bro. Newton D. Arnold, the representative of Illinois present.

A healthfully, peaceful condition of the craft is shown by the fact that the "commissioners of trials" had no matters pending before them. There is no report on correspondence, no committee being provided for that purpose. The entire book of "proceedings of the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations" (Little Rhody) consists of 124 pages and cover.

Grand master, Wendell R. Davis, Bristol; grand secretary, S. Penrose Williams, Providence.

SASKATCHEWAN—1913.

106 Lodges.

7TH ANNUAL.

5,090 Members.

The proceedings of this Canadian grand lodge were received by this reviewer on July 19. One month from the day of adjournment. The annual was held at Saskatoon June 18 and 19. A large percentage of increase in members is shown. This new grand lodge appears to be making rapid progress. A full page picture of Grand Master Willoughby appears in the opening pages. He is robed in full dress, an English collar and an apron adorned with all the symbols of masonry that could be crowded on it, and with gauntlets similarly decorated. He certainly makes an imposing appearance. Observing the custom usually followed in small places where the grand lodge is held, the authorities of Saskatoon gave a formal welcome. In his address the grand master notes the death of Past Grand Master Charles E. Hitchcock, of Illinois.

From the reply to a question submitted it appears that the Grand Lodge of England is opened by special ceremony, different from that used in opening lodges. Also that all business should be transacted when the lodge is in the first degree.

EASTERN STAR NOT MASONIC.

The grand master was asked if the grand lodge had any objection to the formation of chapters of Eastern Star. He replied that such a matter should never be discussed in a masonic lodge and then said—

The order of the Eastern Star is not masonic, nor in any way founded upon ancient craft masonry, therefore the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan has no more to say about it than it would have to any other society not masonic. This order cannot under any circumstances be recognized by the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, nor can any special information from the lodge books or rulings be furnished to any member of any society not founded on ancient craft masonry.

The brethren of Canada are quite decided in their fear of being contaminated by the Eastern Star. No one can claim that this organization composed entirely of masons, their wives, mothers, sisters and daughters is in any sense masonic. In fact, the ritual of the order specifically so states. No one needs to be deceived into the idea that there is anything masonic about the Eastern Star. Having said this much it is proper to say that it is a very respectable organization made up of very good people. There is no reason why masonic bodies should deal with it in any other manner than the greatest courtesy and consideration. All over the world the Eastern Star is most active and helpful in devising means to relieve distress, to educate orphan children and to do other generous acts that are quite important in the aim and purposes of masonry.

The grand secretary presents an excellent report. His summary of membership makes it easy to ascertain the numbers in that jurisdiction.

Among the approved rulings is this—"Masonic regalia cannot be worn at balls or 'at homes' open to the general public when an admission fee is charged." What difference would the admission fee make?

THE REPORT OF GRAND LODGES

Is given by Bro. A. S. Gorrell, chairman of the committee. For some unexplained reason no review is made of Illinois. This is the fourth effort of Brother Gorrell. Under Wyoming the reviewer says—

Question No. 3 gets our goat. As we read it, a brother in possession of a dimit, moves into Wyoming, from a sister grand jurisdiction. He presents his petition of affiliation to some lodge in Wyoming within one year but is turned down. Still the lodge refusing him fellowship is not above taking his money; that is they will sit in lodge with him if he pays them for the privilege. This is too absurd (pardon the word). Either hire him or fire him.

If the real meaning is expressed in this comment, it is not difficult to agree with the Saskatchewan reviewer. It cannot be possible that a

Wyoming lodge would accept a membership fee, reject the applicant and still keep his money. That is the impression that Brother Gorrell gets from the case and presents it as almost an impossibility.

In another case in Wyoming a lodge was asked to participate in laying of a corner-stone, the ceremony of which was to be performed by some body other than masonic. The grand master very properly refused the appearance of masons unless they were in the performance of masonic duty.

It is seriously regretted that Illinois for 1912 was not under consideration by our good brother of the province of Saskatchewan. Illinois proceedings were published within thirty days from the closing of grand lodge last October. Brother Cutter, our grand secretary, is extremely vigilant and efficient. Uncle Sam's mail carriers have done their duty. Crossing the invisible line between Canada and the States some one has blockaded transportation so that our brother did not receive the proceedings from Illinois. In that case, he should have invited reciprocity and asked Brother Cutter for another copy.

Grand master, W. B. Willoughby, Moose Jaw; grand secretary, John M. Shaw, Regina.

SCOTLAND—1912-1913.

752 Lodges.

Мау, 1912, то Мау, 1913.

80,000 Members.

The usual difficulty in reviewing the English grand lodges exists as to Scotland. Their ways are not our ways. Their methods are different. So much space is given to names and numbers of lodges and names of individuals and so little for recording of doings of grand lodge that not very much which would be of interest to the masons of Illinois can be extracted.

At the quarterly session in August, 1912, two distinguished visitors from across the Atlantic were received. These were Past Grand Master Cameron of Quebec, and Brother Charman, who is the representative of Scotland near the Grand Lodge of Florida. Three representatives of various organizations in far away India were received. The cosmopolitan character of the Grand Lodge of Scotland is established in the instituting of a lodge in South India; one in Peru and one in British Guiana. The name of the one in India is something of a puzzle to Americans. It is Godavery Rajahmundry. The signature of the grand master, though he has a title, is simply Tullibardine.

At the next quarterly meeting the petition was presented for a new lodge to be located in the Transvaal. The grand master, the Marquess of Tullbardine, was re-elected and installed.

THE GREAT FEAST.

The event in Scottish masonry for the year was as usual the "Festival of Saint Andrew." This was on the 29th of November, 1912. Many most excellent addresses were made, but it is impossible even to attempt to summarize them. The grand bard presented the following poem under the caption "To Order, Masons!"

Auld Reekie towers for centuries, A monument of Auld World ways. She stands today, fast as of yore, Exponent of masonic lore: This temple, reared by faithful hands, Grand lodge's "alma mater" stands. A mystic presence lives again (The mystery I may not pen) Within its guarded halls, where high Masonic spells on masons lie—

And blessing, old three thousand years, Of wise King Solomon appears: Makes brethren within its ken More charitable, better men—And all around. in office high, The leading craftsmen far and nigh Assemble here, keep watch, and ward, And rite, and form, and ritual guard. 'Til Tullibardine, honoured head Of Scottish masonry, has said, "This lodge is closed." "Now, brethren, here You'll join our song, and share our cheer."

What grander name can Britain lend? What better blood can Scotland send? Than his, great Atholl's noble son, A man, with honours nobly won. He speaks the word, we must obey, Let "rights and lefts" be ours today.

This occasion closed with a dinner and musical selections.

Injustice to Queensland.

Queensland has a grand lodge of its own, yet staid old Scotland permits itself to continue to grant charters for lodges in that jurisdiction. A new lodge was authorized at Auchenflower, Queensland. It seems that a more liberal spirit among the grand lodges of Great Britain should characterize their relation to this Australasian body. The masonic world would applaud a movement in the direction of giving full authority to grand lodges in other countries.

To indicate the world-wide sweep under the authority of Scotland the following will be of interest. India has 59 lodges, Queensland 95. New Zealand 12, Hawaiian Islands 2, Western Australia 38, Cape Colony 19, Natal 13. Transvaal 41, Orange River Colony 3, Rhodesia 5, Mauritius 1, West India 5, Jamaica 5, Bermuda 2, Trinidad 5, Newfoundland 4, Gibraltar 4, Peru 5, Chili 6, China 3, Hong-Kong, South China 3; Japan 3, Arabia 1, Egypt 2, Fiji 1, Syria 8, British Germania 2, Panama 2, Central Africa 1, Malta 1, British East Africa 1, West Africa 1, Straits Settlements 1, Philippine Islands 2, Korea 1, Turkey 2, Siam 1, Turkey in Asia 1 and Federated Malay states. It will thus be seen that Scotland has covered almost the entire civilized world in authorizing the establishment of masonic lodges.

. Most of the business of this grand lodge is transacted through its "grand committee." Sufficient authority is given this body to take care of the business during the year. This relieves grand lodge of much of the details.

That the benevolences made necessary by the obligations of masonry are not neglected is shown in the large number of annuities that are provided. The total number is 252. These range from 10 pounds, or \$50, to 25 pounds or \$125 each, making a total sum of about \$14,000 paid out during the year to those who are permanently in need.

Grand master, The Marquess of Tullibardine; grand secretary, David Reid, Edinburgh, 46 Charlotte Square.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA-1913.

68 Lodges.

20TH ANNUAL.

4,904 MEMBERS.

The grand lodge of this province met at Adelaide April 16, 1913. A very nice appearing book of proceedings records the doings of the year. As in the British grand lodge, details of business are transacted through a board of general purposes. During July the capital city of the state of Saskatchewan was devastated by a cyclone, thousands were rendered homeless and an immense amount of property was destroyed, including the masonic temple. By approval of the grand master a sum of \$125 was voted for the relief of the brethren.

For the twenty-third time Samuel J. Way was elected grand master without opposition. Evidently Brother Way has a taking way with the brethren of South Australia. The fact that he has held so many important positions in this British province makes him, according to the custom of the empire, the legitimate selection for this high position. British ways are not American ways, hence royalty and official position figure largely in the management of masonic bodies. The Grand Lodge of South Australia was formed in 1883 with a total membership of 2,061. The last report shows 4,004 as the total after this length of time.

Grand Secretary GLOVER is preparing for publication a history of freemasonry in South Australia. This volume contains the record from 1844 to 1854.

DIGEST OF PROCEEDINGS.

Instead of the report of the committee on correspondence there is presented a "digest of proceedings and report of sister grand lodges." A committee in charge of this consists of fourteen members. The various members of the committee review the different grand lodges designating the author by initials. Illinois comes under the scrutiny of Bro. C. D. HARRIS. These reviews are very brief. The one devoted to Illinois covers one and a half pages. Referring to Grand Master Darrah's comment on the use of the ritual, Brother HARRIS says "from our own experience we think the latter course the most expedient, as its ensures uniformity and a strong control over the publication." This is in consequence of the suggestion that the Illinois grand master made that the sale of fake rituals be stopped by the grand lodge authorizing one to be furnished to the lodge. It is this latter proposition of the grand lodge to furnish one that Brother HARRIS thinks is the proper solution. It could not be inferred from anything that Grand Master DARRAH said that he favored this. The whole tenor of his argument was against the grand lodge publishing a ritual. This would be most disastrous, as has been clearly shown by other grand lodges that have attempted it.

SURPRISED AT SMOKING IN LODGE.

Referring to smoking in lodge, Brother HARRIS says-

The question of smoking in open lodge is referred to as a "growing evil." We cannot understand how it has been allowed to germinate, much less grow, as the practice is absolutely unknown with us. The brother who smokes in the temple has, from our point of view, utterly failed to appreciate the meaning of the dedication ceremony.

It seems rather singular that we should go so far away from home as South Australia to find the impropriety of a member of the lodge smoking where brethren are seriously inconvenienced by the use of tobacco in the lodge room.

CREATE OR EVOLUTE.

In referring to the oration delivered in our grand lodge last year the South Australian reviewer says—

The grand orator, M.W. Bro. A. H. Bell, delivered an interesting address on the subject of the divine origin of man, and appears designed to upset the teachings of Darwin and Wallace. He holds that man was created as man, and monkey as monkey, and says that the man who believes he is descended from a monkey "has not descended at all, he is still a monkey." The whole address appeals to one's faith rather than to the scientific aspect of evolution, and does not advance any strong argument against the well-proven evidences of evolution known to all students.

SCIENCE CONSTANTLY CHANGING.

Science is constantly changing so that, as remarked by Henry Drummond, a book of science is obsolete in ten years. What man thinks nature teaches therefore is not a very stable foundation for anyone's religious belief. It is easily demonstrated that there is no conflict between the Mosaic account of creation and later science. Scientists do not agree among themselves as to the evolution of life and the length of time involved. They are separated by several millions of years. These are differing opinions. It is quite proper then to appeal to one's faith rather than to the scientific aspect of evolution. However, it will be proper to leave to Brothers Bell and Harris the settlement of these great questions.

Grand master, Samuel J. Way, Adelaide; grand secretary. Charles R. J. Glover, Adelaide.

SOUTH CAROLINA-1913.

239 Lodges.

136TH ANNUAL.

13,772 MEMBERS.

In the foregoing statement the number is the same as in the year previous. The grand secretary nowhere gives a summary of membership and it has not been easy to ascertain the exact number. The probability is that there was a gain commensurate with the number of lodges. Among the representatives of other grand lodges, Illinois was honored by the presence of John F. Ficken as its diplomat.

In his annual address the grand master notes the death of Past Grand Master James F. Izlar, one of the patriarchs of that state. Eight pages

of the proceedings were taken up with dispensations granted. It would seem that a code of laws must be very imperfect to require the intervention of the grand master upon so many points. Fourteen rulings were reported. In one the question was raised as to right to lay a cornerstone of a building after it was completed. The grand master says that no precedent or law authorizes the farce of laying a corner-stone after a building has been fully constructed.

No SUNDAY WORK FOR MASONS.

A request to lay a corner-stone on Sunday was refused because masons do no work on the Sabbath day, except attending funerals or in cases of charity.

The grand master held that one who had received the past master's degree in a chapter of Royal Arch masons, but who had never served the lodge as a master could not be present when the past master's degree is conferred upon a newly elected master. Most grand lodges have discontinued the archaic custom of requiring the ceremony of the past master's degree. The conferring of a degree of that kind is in its essential aspects a farce.

WITHOUT A HOME 136 YEARS.

South Carolina, though 136 years old, has no Masonic Home. During more than a century masonic dependents have been existing on the mercy of sporadic charity. A vigorous effort is in progress to establish a home for the unfortunate of the craft. The grand master reports a fund of about \$73,000 accumulated for this purpose. The disposition, however, seems to be to wait until the round \$100,000 have been acquired before steps will be taken toward the establishment of a home.

A communication was received from the grand chapter of the order of Eastern Star offering the assistance of that body toward the erection of a home. The ladies of this organization always show that they are anxious to see proper provision made for those in need by rendering vital assistance in securing money and supporting the home.

Our brethren of the south have found it possible to invest large sums in a masonic temple. They rent this and are making it a commercial enterprise. Various questions have arisen in connection with this building from time to time. Large amounts are necessary to keep it in repair and it is a close shave oftentimes to make both ends meet and have a surplus.

The history is that where a grand lodge goes into the masonic temple business they usually let the provision for its dependents lag. The real aim of masonry is not for the accumulation of money. On the other hand, it is for the purpose of relieving a worthy distressed brother, his widow and orphan and at the same time to develop manly character in the members of the craft.

The masonic board of relief assisted nine masons during the year at a cost of \$137.73. No one from Illinois appears in the list of beneficiaries. In the Palmetto state the grand master appoints the senior grand deacon; the senior grand warden the junior grand deacon, and the junior grand warden the grand stewards. Usually, the grand master makes all appointments.

THE ANNUAL SUMMARY.

The review of grand lodges comes again from Past Grand Master Michie. His reports are always interesting and full of instruction. His review of Illinois is for 1911. Owing to the time at which the South Carolina grand lodge meets we are always a year behind.

Our good brother is quite in error in his reference to the plan of voting in the Grand Lodge of Illinois. This is precisely the same that he gives for South Carolina. Every lodge has three votes. If only one representative is present, he casts all the votes. If two are present, the one highest in rank casts two votes and the other one. If all are present, each casts one vote. The difference that Brother Michie refers to in voting comes where vote is taken by show of hands, or by any other method except roll call or written ballot. On all questions coming before the grand lodge when the vote is taken by show of hands Chicago with its 221 extra representatives has a decided advantage of the lodges down state. It is to correct this difficulty that the grand master urges a new plan of voting. However, the grand lodge did not see fit to adopt the suggestion and voting remains the same as before.

DISTRICT DEPUTIES ALL RIGHT.

Referring to the report of the committee on correspondence of Illinois Brother Michie says that the writer was "pretty hard on the D.D.'s." This is not so. The D.D.'s are all right and are willing to do anything asked of them, but under the law and custom prevailing heretofore, there appeared few duties for them to perform. However, under the administration of Grand Master Darrah much has been given district deputies to do and they have done it effectively and most satisfactorily.

Regarding a dimitted mason, he says-

A dimitted mason has the right to visit any lodge in this jurisdiction once, but *once only*, this one visit being intended to give him a chance to see if he cared to join that particular lodge or not. In a city having

more than one lodge, he could visit each of them once, and then decide which one of them to apply to.

This appears to be a very wise decision. There is little reason for allowing a man to reside in a city or town and enjoy all the privileges and benefits of a lodge while he is unwilling to pay the small sum in annual dues that is required of each member.

A RECORD MUST BE MADE.

Brother Michie says that "We see no earthly use of a ballot on an unfavorable report. It is inconceivable that the brothers who made such a report would cast white balls." This may be true. The vote, however, is necessary in order that the lodge's record may be complete and that affirmative action may be taken.

In a former report the question of opening grand lodge for public functions was referred to. The attitude of South Carolina grand lodge was to open and transact the business. If it had been opened in regular form it would be necessary to call to refreshments or close. In the annual session of grand lodge, no one but masons can be present. There is little need for much ceremony in opening grand lodge because it is a legislative body. The forms used in opening are used nowhere else. For that reason it is wholly unnecessary to drill in the forms of opening.

A KANGAROO REPORT.

Brother Michie's report is of the Kangaroo order. The biggest part is behind. His conclusion contains much of interest in the review of the masonic world. In this he says—

Mississippi and Oklahoma have not yet recovered from their severe attack of negrophobia; luckily the infection has not spread to other jurisdictions, but is strictly confined to the states named. We wonder if these jurisdictions will sever fraternal relations with England and Scotland. As mentioned last year, England made the Sultan of Zanzibar a mason at sight, and now Scotland has instituted a lodge composed wholly of negroes at Panama, and has also instituted a lodge there of white brethren, neither of which recognizes or visits the other.

Coming from the south, this has peculiar force on the negro question. His attitude on the liquor business conforms to that of Illinois. He says—

The everlasting liquor question, like the grass, comes up fresh and green each year, and many and varied are the laws in connection therewith in the different jurisdictions. For our part we would like to see each lodge act as the judge of its own members, a black ball being more masonic than class legislation.

SHOULD BE COMMON GROUND.

Brother Michie very properly says there should be a uniform ground taken by the various grand lodges on the question of recognition. He gives the following instance;

South Dakota extends fraternal recognition to a round dozen of grand lodges on the continent of Europe, not one of which has fraternal relations with South Carolina; yet South Carolina and South Dakota exchange grand representatives. It seems like one boy telling another: "You can come and play in my back yard, but you can't bring any of your friends with you."

This presents the matter in a very clear way. It would not be a difficult thing for representatives of grand lodges to agree on a certain basis for recognition. As it now is, each grand lodge is a "go-as-you-please."

THINKS HOMES HOBBIES.

Brother MICHIE refers to the Masonic Homes as "expensive hobbies," and thinks that "the interest of the money expended in their erection would go a long way in supporting necessitous masons, their wives, widows and orphans." Our good brother has lived in a state where no Home has existed. He loses sight of the fact that many of these cases would hever be known, that provision might be made for them. The experience of Illinois is directly opposite to the views expressed by the South Carolina reviewer. In Illinois at an expense of 35c per annum, for each member, about one hundred old and helpless men and women and an equal number of homeless orphans are cared for in two well managed Homes.

GOING TO CHURCH.

On another question our brother has an opinion and does not hesitate to express it. This is, the custom of attending church by lodges in masonic dress. He thinks it should be left to each lodge to decide for itself and then adds—

Belief in God, the Father Almighty, is everywhere recognized as a landmark of masonry, and surely there can be nothing wrong in a masonic lodge assembling in regalia to worship "the Beneficent Author of our being."

If he eliminated two words in the foregoing, the problem would be simplified. These are "in regalia." Another question is important. Members of lodges are also members of different church denominations. There is danger that difference of opinion might* be held in the lodge as to what particular church they should attend. Our Jewish brethren might hesitate about going to a Christian church. Presbyterians and

Methodists, or Baptists, might disagree, etc. There is no question but what masons should worship "the Beneficent Author of our being." This can be done, however, without involving lodges in any sectarian difficulty or difference of opinion regarding varying views of religion.

Grand master, George S. Mower, Newberry; grand secretary, O. Frank Hart, Columbia.

SOUTH DAKOTA-1913.

138 Lodges.

39TH ANNUAL.

10,221 MEMBERS.

The proceedings of the meeting held June 10, 11, 1913, are promptly received. The cover may be unique, but it is neither beautiful nor artistic. It can be classed as mongrel, being neither one thing nor the other. However, if it suits the people of that western grand lodge others cannot complain. That prosperity prevails is evidenced by the number of new lodges constituted and its growth in membership, there being a gain of 522. An excellent picture and brief biography of Grand Master William J. McMakin furnishes the matter for the opening pages. The annual meeting was held at Yankton. The formal session was preceded by an address of welcome by the mayor and the worshipful master of St. John's Lodge No. 1. The grand master in his address refers to one of the pleasant features of the annual meeting of these grand bodies. He says—

While the primary object of our meeting is to review the happenings of the past twelve months and legislate for the needs of the future, these annual communications are looked forward to by the permanent members of this grand body who have been associated together for so many years, as a joyful reunion of friends and brothers. They have never found the distance too great or the inconveniences of the journey too irksome to prevent their coming together on these occasions.

To those who have attended year after year, the social phases and the reunion of long time friends furnish much of the enjoyment of such occasions. During the session it was the pleasant privilege of the grand lodge to join with St. John's Lodge No. 1 in celebrating its golden jubilee. June 3, 1863, was the date of the organization of masonry in South Dakota. Suitable exercises were held.

Among the distinguished deceased masons of other jurisdictions is named Charles F. Hitchcock, past grand master of Illinois. Few decisions were reported by the grand master. He found that many decisions conflict with each other and held that the latest decision was the one that would control.

THE HALT AND LAME ADMITTED.

Under the head of physical qualifications the grand master reports that lodges are extremely careless (probably wilful) in violating the customs and landmarks of the institution. Two instances are given which surely show that the grand master needed to call attention to the enforcement of the law. These are as follows;

'Another was that of a young man having been made a mason but a short time ago, who from infancy had been unable to move about without the use of crutches.

Still another was that of a minister of the gospel who has been made a mason within the last year in South Dakota, who is a helpless cripple unable to walk a block, who must be hauled about in a conveyance, not being able to walk to his church.

The grand master then gives the following as showing the temper of other grand jurisdictions.

This brother further called attention to the fact that other grand jurisdictions had traveled this dangerous road for a few years but finally saw the error of their ways and mended them; that M.W. Bro. S. A. Brown, in his review of proceedings of grand lodges, quoted the Grand Lodge of Illinois as having suspended a lodge from work for one month and the W.M. for forty-five days as a punishment for having initiated a citizen who had lost a portion of his right forefinger at a point near the knuckle joint.

EVADING THE LAW.

A case of importance came through a communication from Grand Master Darrah, of Illinois. Bro. Thomas Waggoner, a member of Eastern Star lodge of Davis, Illinois, had been suspended for non-payment of dues. It was learned that Brother Waggoner had been admitted a member of a lodge in South Dakota on a diploma or certificate of membership. The grand master promptly informed the South Dakota lodge that Brother Waggoner was not a member of its lodge and could not be until he had been reinstated and legally dimitted from the Illinois lodge. There are those who think that it is easy to avoid the regular course of the law and attempt to take advantage, but in most cases of this kind they come to grief.

On report of the committee on correspondence the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands was recognized as legitimate and provision was made for exchange of representatives.

The first capitol building of Dakota territory, which was also the first meeting place of St. John's lodge, December 18, 1862, is shown by a very poor picture. It looks like a dilapidated Illinois hen coop, yet it is not well to be too critical as South Dakota, fifty years ago. was in its crude and chaotic condition. Since then wonderful improvement has

come about and the Dakotas of today are among the important states of the American Union.

CORDIAL WITH THE LADIES.

The best relations appear to exist between the grand lodge and grand chapter of Eastern Star. Records show that a committee was appointed to extend greetings to the grand chapter then in session in Yankton. The committee reported that they had performed their duty, "were graciously received and have returned alive." Later a visit was made by a committee of ladies. The grand master called to refreshment and a very pleasant greeting was extended by the Eastern Star. The associate grand matron, Mrs. Adda Doherty, in her address gave this choice gem;

"Neath every form of government, in every age and clime, Amid the world's convulsions and the ghastly wrecks of time, While empires rise in splendor and conquered and o'erthrown, And cities crumble into dust, their very sites unknown, Beneath the sunny smiles of peace, The threatening frowns of strife, Freemasonry has stood unmoved, with age renewed her life."

Following this Mrs. Doherty added;

While we are no part of that ancient institution, the light of our star may not shine as brightly as the sun of masonry, we cannot use the square, but we can work on the principle of it—the building of our order, dedicated to charity, truth and loving kindness, was leveled by the principle of the golden rule and plumbed by the same inspirations that prompts man to noble deeds, and from this order, the order of the Eastern Star, we bring you fraternal greetings.

Too Much for Imagination.

It would not be possible to predict what would occur in the Grand Lodge of Illinois should some audacious brother propose to send a committee to visit the grand chapter of Eastern Star, or receive a committee from the ladies' organization. Imagination can picture many things, but no one would be able to formulate the scene that would occur under such a proposition.

The committee on jurisprudence says-

We approve all the dispensations granted, they being of a nature clearly within his power. But we more than approve his refusal to exercise his prerogative in applications to confer degrees out of time. It is extremely refreshing, in fact, a great source of satisfaction to your committee, to see in one of our successors so well developed vertebrae This strong approval covers all other refusals reported by the M.W. grand master, and we heartily recommend the pursuance of this policy to his successors in office.

The committee also expresses its amazement at the violation of the landmark in regard to physical qualifications. It is safe to say that the looseness along this line will be tightened up.

In the absence of the grand orator, the grand master called upon Brother Brockway to address the grand lodge. He demonstrated that he was pretty handy with his tongue. If this address were impromptu, on some other occasion and for some other place Brother Brockway had burned the midnight oil or used the electric light. The address was quite worthy of such an occasion.

THE ANNUAL SURVEY.

The report of grand lodges is presented by Bro. S. A. Brown. In his introduction, consisting of but a few lines, he deplores the loss of two of his dearest friends, Thomas M. Matthews, of Texas, and Christopher Diehl, of Utah. Brother Brown's work shows painstaking care and ability in presenting it. If he would cut out the use of the Roman numerals and use plain figures in numbering the pages of his report, it would be far easier for the people of modern times to find pages.

Under California attention is called to the moral condition of Los Angeles. The statement that Los Angeles has no "slum or red light district" was given as the truth. It is more than probable, however, that this is merely the work of some booster of the good city of southern California. Brother Brown continues his custom of accompanying the review of each grand lodge with a picture of the grand secretary. From the Illinois report Brother Cutter's genial countenance looks out with supreme satisfaction. "The fat volume of proceedings is full of interesting things, as the doings of 115,000 masons is bound to be" is the opening sentence of the review of Illinois. He says further that "None has been more active in doing things than the grand master. He receives salary enough to enable him to give his entire time to the work and to judge from results his own private affairs have not been able to attract attention."

Does not Understand.

The statement of Brother Darrah regarding his refusal to lay the corner-stone of a church where objection was made by members of that body is quoted. Brother Brown infers from this that there is some conflict between the church in Illinois and freemasonry. He says—"It is a pity that the great forces for the uplift of humanity are, in so great a jurisdiction as that of Illinois, drawing apart. When weak souls see the great armies sworn to battle against evil turn their backs on each other it will be but a poor day for their uplift." He is quite mistaken

as to the effect. In no state does masonry show greater regard for the church and in no part of the world is the church more in accord with masonry. Brother Brown then adds, "to this writer it has been a sad sight to see the grand master's predecessors, unaware of the deep responsibility they were assuming, forbid their lodges to enter a church door. When masonry loses her religion, what then shall she lay her course by to keep off the rocks." If our good brother thinks that the masons of Illinois are liable to lose their religion because the lodges will not permit the wearing of masonic clothing and repair to a church in a body, he is quite mistaken. It is not because masonry does not conserve every element of religion possible within its scope. It has regard for that broader form of religion where different theological views are not permitted to distract and disorganize lodges. Going as a body with aprons and other masonic paraphernalia to attend a church, preaching Christ and Him crucified, would not be very agreeable to the members of a lodge of Jewish faith. Neither would a lodge find enthusiastic support among Christians in going to a Jewish synagogue to worship. The Methodists might prefer to go to their church and not to a Baptist or a Unitarian place of worship. Other religious denominations represented in the membership have rights that must be respected. The attitude of Illinois in not allowing lodges to attend church, as bodies, does not indicate any less regard for religion than in grand lodges where that is permitted. It is believed that it is better to allow masons to worship as individuals. Our good brother will find by canvassing among the lodges of Illinois that the churches are largely represented in their membership and that nowhere is religion held in higher esteem.

Brother Brown says that in Illinois officers "are calling loudly for a home for the helpless and incurable." In this he has misconceived the situation. The proposition was pending before the Illinois lodges for the construction of a hospital. He is herewith reminded that Illinois has a home for the helpless and it is doing a great work in that respect.

MASONIC VETERANS' ASSOCIATION

Was held during the session of grand lodge. A large number were present and the proceedings were most interesting. The Veterans' Association in that state is more than a school for correspondence. It is held at a time when veteran masons can easily attend. Its membership is mostly of the active kind, there being but few honorary members. It is hoped that Illinois will some day hold its Veterans' Association during the grand lodge and that its plans and purposes will be worked out in accordance with its name.

Grand master, Owen H. Williams, Springfield; grand secretary, George A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls.

TASMANIA-1912-13.

31 Lodges.

22ND ANNUAL.

1,445 MEMBERS.

It has been difficult to secure copies of the proceedings of this little far away grand lodge. From other sources some information has been obtained. One or two practical questions has arisen. An application from an engineer in London, who was a mason, desirous of emigrating, writes for particulars as to the prospect of establishing himself in business in Tasmania. This would make a sort of an employment bureau of the fraternity. Another proposition is to establish a masonic agency for the purpose of bringing masons in need of work into touch with employers of labor.

The board of benevolences reports that educational grants have been extended to ten children of deceased members and the widows of six members are still receiving quarterly grants.

Grand Master Davies, while not exactly approving of Sunday meetings still can see no reason why ritualistic instruction should not be continued on Sunday afternoon. He says, "Sunday masonic services, where the brethren and their wives can assemble, and where the masonic function is carried out with the assistance of the chaplain, are to my mind most enjoyable and desirable."

The twenty-second annual was held at Launceston, February 27, 1913. Brother Davies expresses some very excellent views regarding the real purposes and value of masonry. He advocates combining the educational feature with that of ritualistic work. His ideas are well expressed in the following paragraph;

Would Combine Ritual and Learning.

It often surprises me and, doubtless, disappoints us all, that so many men seek admission to our order who do not give themselves time to realize its beauties; but, having satisfied a certain curiosity, lose their interest, and fail to a great extent to fulfill the responsibilities they have accepted at their initiation. What a pity it is that a greater effort is not made by us in endeavoring to cause such to realize—as I trust most of us do—that some of the advantages which must result from the faithful recognition of the great principles of brotherly love, relief and truth. A writer thus expresses in more eloquent language than I can command his ideals of Masonry: "This sublime institution refines society into a more beautiful and more perfect system by joining men together in closer and more affectionate relations than is the case in the enlarged state of social intercourse. But its grand labor to bring about this glorious end is to make its votaries good men and true and, as the strongest

motive to virtue, it points their view to that temple of immortal perfection beyond the present state, where social happiness is alone complete." That our ritual is beautiful, we all admit, but the lessons taught therefrom are, unfortunately, not always fully appreciated by the brethren. For, if they were, we should not only have many more aspirants to join, but very few would secede from active work amongst us. The introduction of occasional lectures by experts and discussions thereon, would increase the interest in masonic ceremonies and familiarize us more with their object and application. We have many masonic students amongst us, who, I am sure, would gladly co-operate to the end suggested.

Grand master, C. E. Davies; grand secretary, John Hamilton, Hobart.

TENNESSEE—1913.

455 Lodges.

99th Annual.

27,242 MEMBERS.

Presumably by fault of the binder a very great indignity was placed upon the grand master, Charles Comstock. His picture, a very excellent one, appears up-side down. This minor defect is more than made good by the excellent printing and style of the work.

At the opening of the session of grand lodge the law pertaining to giving information of proceedings to reporters or agents of newspapers was read that all might be fully advised. This is a wise procedure, because very often much that takes place in these bodies is given to the press really in violation of the laws of the institution.

The death of Past Grand Master Americus Vespucius Warr is given by the grand master, with a sketch of his career. The death of Past Grand Master Chas, F. Hitchcock of Illinois is noted.

Among his official acts, the grand master reports that at the request of Johnson City Lodge No. 486, the grand master of Illinois was requested to authorize Maywood lodge to confer the third degree upon F.C. L. K. Emory. The request was granted and the work done, notwithstanding it was exhausting on the alphabet to record his name.

SHOULD KNOW THE WORK.

Under the head of Visitations the grand master refers to the inability of masters of lodges to do the work of the various degrees. On this he says—

No master is worthy to sit in the east if he cannot put on the entire work, without evasion, equivocation or mental hesitation, and no lodge should elect a brother to any station before he learns the work. In all my visitations, this was the worst enemy I found to real interest and progress. There is no real study to know how. The second section of the third degree is the most splendid tragedy in existence. The scene, the actors, the holy purpose involved, make it in dramatic effect more thrilling than Shakespeare's Hamlet. Why, then, a laugh; why the actor a buffoon? Why not vindicate the eternal truth that a man true to self and the interest committed cannot be false to any man? Life may come and life may go; my secret goes on forever.

FEES SHOULD BE AGREED UPON.

A considerable number of official rulings are reported, but most of these refer merely to local law and conditions. In one case the grand master was asked to assist in collecting the fee for conferring degrees upon a candidate at Annapolis, Maryland. The rule is announced that lodges should "agree in this regard, though the lodge doing the work has a right to demand, should it see fit to do so, the entire fee or even more than the entire fee for conferring degrees." Lodges should always have a definite understanding before the work is done. This will save difficulty and feeling in settlement of questions afterward.

The Widows' and Orphans' Home is reported to be in a prosperous condition, faithfully and efficiently managed. The grand master asked the lodge to make a donation of 25c per member for the up-keep of the work. This amounted to \$1,944.26.

CARE FOR THE NEEDY BROTHER.

The grand master says-

I am sure that the day of hard toil and enduring sacrifice is over and that this splendid exhibition of masonic love, relief and confidence, will march on under the benediction of God and the earnest co-operation of all the brethren of this jurisdiction to greater usefulness and more glorious results, until the Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home of Tennessee shall open wide its doors to every widow and orphan who shall ask our care and protection.

Tennessee is moving in a new direction. The necessity of aged and indigent masons appeals most strikingly for action. Steps have been taken looking to the establishment of what they call an "Old Mason's Home." The name chosen seems rather unfortunate. Sometimes worthy masons, though they be not old, are stricken with disease and incapacitated for the activities of life. They certainly are entitled to consideration. The name aside—the importance of providing for masons, is quite as pressing upon fraternal beneficence as for the widows and orphans.

There can be nothing more pathetic than the sight of an old man left in penury and distress. His family gone, there is no one to care for him. He must go upon the scant charity of the world or die of starvation.

Tennessee is almost ready to celebrate the 100th anniversary of its grand lodge and yet no provision has been made for the distressed, worthy brother. The big hearts of our southern brethren will immediately supply this glaring deficiency.

SOME COWARDS IN MASONRY.

The grand master has been much perplexed over receiving anonymous letters. He says that, "masonry should ever live in the open and keep both hands above board." It is hardly expected that masons are cowardly enough to write the grand master and say things to which they are not willing to subscribe their names. In his recommendation he takes rather a radical position in recommending that "any jurisdiction permitting or sanctioning cipher rituals shall be barred from fraternal relations with this jurisdiction." Heartily endorsing the attitude regarding cipher rituals, it yet appears that it might be pretty drastic to refuse to hold fellowship with grand lodges where such are permitted.

THEY ALWAYS HELP.

As usual the members of the Eastern Star are the busy Marthas in caring for those who need help. They have provided funds for the erection of an infirmary at the Widows' and Orphans' Home. On the first day of the session this was dedicated by the grand lodge.

The report of the board of control of the Home says-

It is a splendid little structure, and will answer a great need. It is a monument to the untiring devotion of the wives, widows, mothers, sisters and daughters, and the O.E.S. has added fresh laurels to an already glowing record of usefulness, sympathy and loyalty to the great fraternity of their fathers, husbands and brothers.

This Home has been in existence for twenty years and has made an excellent record.

MUST PAY THEIR OWN WAY.

The committee on jurisprudence puts a very decided veto on the plan of making appeals to lodges to raise funds to build a hall or rebuild a lodge room destroyed by fire. This is a sound position. Many lodges carrying out every aim of masonry never own a building. In fact, it is often a detriment to a lodge to attempt to own a building because it lessens the financial ability to carry out the purpose of the craft. Surely

other lodges should not be asked to contribute to help one lodge to own property. In case a lodge is so improvident as to allow its building to be destroyed by fire, without insurance, others should not be asked to help them to make good their carelessness.

The committee on appeals and grievances presented an elaborate report, giving full details of all cases before them for consideration. It seems a much wiser course to present the conclusions of the committee. The minor details leading up to that conclusion may be read in grand lodge, if necessity arises, to make clear the purposes of the committee. The publication of details, however, is detrimental to the fraternity.

In Illinois neither details nor names of parties receiving discipline are published in the proceedings.

NEW, BUT GOOD.

Tennessee appears to have a new departure in its system. The Travelers' Protective Union is an organization "for the protection of the virtue of the young women of the land." A resolution was adopted by grand lodge commending this union to the lodges of the state. They were urged to explain its purposes and aims, so that the attention of their young women friends would be called to it that they might avail themselves of its advantages and protection when going away from the care of home and mother. This is a little outside of the scope of masonic work but it commends itself to masons everywhere.

INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION.

A strong recommendation was made by the board of control of the Home for a department of domestic science, domestic art and manual training. The committee urges "the importance of preparing the children of the Home to fight the battle of life, and so to educate them, not only in reading and writing, but along physical lines, that they may be able to command employment when the time arrives that they must leave the Home."

A resolution looking to the observance of the 100th anniversary of grand lodge was adopted. Bro. J. Lynn Bachman, the retiring grand master, presented the signet ring to his successor in a most eloquent address. The response by Brother Comstock was in equally fitting terms. From the tabulated statement of representatives, Illinois seems to be without anyone at the Tennessee court. Bro. A. H. Bell takes care of their interests here in Illinois. If complications should arise, the necessity for an embassador would be great and would be difficult to supply on the moment.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW.

The report on foreign correspondence is presented by Henry A. Chambers, chairman of the committee. The proceedings of grand lodges published in languages other than English were translated in order that the reviewer might be able to consider them.

Brother Chambers refers to an attempt in certain jurisdictions to accumulate well-invested benevolent funds which are to be used in distributing charity and helpfulness rather than to acquire costly and showy properties, which, without endowment, are often hard to maintain. Illinois is mentioned as one of the grand lodges taking this view. It is true that there came to this grand lodge, when it took over the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home, a considerable sum which had been accumulated while that institution was in the hands of a private masonic corporation. In a state where the grand lodge is able to pay as it goes, it is better that it should not attempt to accumulate a large fund. The problem of keeping the accumulations invested would be great.

ABOUT LIQUORS THAT INTOXICATE.

Brother Chambers says-

As may be seen from the rulings of grand masters, committees and grand lodges, noted in the following report, no backward step has been taken on the liquor question. While some grand masters have indicated a personal disinclination to rigid views, they have, nevertheless, always ruled in support of the true spirit of the enactments of their grand lodges. The tendency seems to be to disqualify for masonic membership any person who permits himself to become actively, even though remotely, connected with the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquor for a beverage, or who knowingly and willingly derives income or profit therefrom, or lends to it any encouragement whatever.

LIBERAL TO ILLINOIS

Three full pages of the review are given to Illinois which is an unusual amount of space to be used by a Tennessee reviewer. Liberal quotations are made from reports of the grand master and other officers. "Cypher Rituals." by Grand Master Darrah is given in full. Also the "Abuse of Black Ball" is copied with endorsement. Brother Chambers adds—

How did or could the grand master lawfully find out which "brother was using the black ball" at all, whether "to disturb the peace and harmony of the lodge," or for any other purpose? If he can do that thing, what has become of the boasted secrecy and sacredness of the ballot?

The recommendation of Grand Master Darrah regarding the revision of the ritual is also given in full. The oration of Past Grand Mas-

ter Bell is accorded special notice. Two quotations are given, ending with this compliment, "The whole oration is a splendid plea for the individual man and his power to determine what his life and character shall be." He further says—

Illinois does not restrict its committee on correspondence. The report of that committee for 1912 by Past Grand Master Owen Scott, consists of two hundred and seventy-seven pages, and it is worth the space.

Our good brother is slightly mistaken in the number of pages in the Illinois correspondence report. Instead of 277, the complete report, index and all, comes with 232 pages.

Grand master, Charles Comstock, Crossville; grand secretary, John B. Garrett, Nashville.

TEXAS-1912.

851 Lodges.

77TH ANNUAL.

56,071 MEMBERS.

Unfortunately, the grand lodge in the Lone Star state meets so near to the time of Illinois that reports of both are a year old when reviewed. The session was held at Waco, December 3-5, 1912. Of the 851 lodges only 462 were represented. There was reported an increase in membership of 2,161. Texas has more lodges with its 56,000 membership than Illinois with its 115,000. We have but 807 lodges, while the big southern sister has 851. The book of proceedings is very large, made so by the printing of the names of the entire membership of each lodge in the state. Texas proceedings for 1912 had 763 pages. Illinois for the same year contained 677.

In the record of representatives present Illinois was without an ambassador. In the grand master's address the first mention by other grand lodges of the death of Bro. Charles F. Hitchcock, past grand master, appears. Texas lost P.G.M. Thomas M. Mathews for many years the able reviewer of masonic doings of the world. He was the Joseph Robbins of Texas.

WITNESSES CAN'T VOTE.

There is one excellent law in force in that state. In voting upon the guilt or innocence of the accused in masonic trials the witnesses who testify are excluded. This certainly is a good law. To think of a witness sitting as a juror is absurd. The grand master, however, found an

attempt to play a sharp game. Members were called as witnesses so as to disqualify them from voting. Unless their testimony was relevant and pertinent the grand master held that they could not be excluded. Such tricks may be allowed among schemers and sharpers but masons who resort to such tactics were held liable to discipline. The law in that state requires that the grand master, by dispensation, shall approve the sale, conveyance or incumbrance of realty belonging to lodges. This is supposed to be a check upon unwise action. However, from this it appears that the doctrine of home rule has very little place in Texas masonry.

The grand master refused to permit post-burial services to be held over the grave of a brother. A memorial service would not be out of place but why go through the farce of services over the grave, weeks, possibly months after the burial? So thinks the grand master. Appeals for aid to lodges except in cases of great emergency or public calamity are uniformly denied. The dispensation to attend church was also refused.

MANY DECISIONS.

There were twenty-six decisions reported by Grand Master Cochran. A protest against the advancement of a candidate cannot be made by telephone. As the word "mason" or "masonic" in business enterprises is denied by the law of Texas masons are prohibited from representing any enterprise using the masonic name or title. One decision holds that "It is contrary to masonic principles to furnish intoxicating liquors at a banquet given by a lodge and paid for with lodge funds, even though the banquet be given at a place other than the lodge room."

Other decisions are only of local interest. Grand Master Cochran draws the line pretty sharply on physical disqualification. These are excluded.

- 1. A man with an ankylosed hip is ineligible.
- 2. A person whose last two fingers on each hand are grown together is disqualified.
- 3. A party whose finger next to the little finger on the right hand is stiff and stands half closed, is ineligible.

CHANGE OF VENUE.

Provision is made in Texas law for change of venue in trials in lodges. This is granted by the grand master on a proper showing. In many cases where there is local feeling among brethren, a vote of a lodge does not depend on the law and the evidence but upon the factional

affiliations of the members. Illinois needs a change of venue law or a provision for a trial board by persons from other lodges.

The grand master favors the plan of requiring lodges to conduct all correspondence by lodges of different grand jurisdictions through the grand masters. The masonic bath house at Hot Springs was refused permission to solicit aid in Texas.

IRREGULARS CANNOT BE HEALED.

Clandestinism showed its head in the last year. A request came to the grand master for a dispensation for a new lodge signed by seventeen persons who had been initiated in a lodge under obedience of a spurious body calling itself "St. John's Grand Lodge of Illinois." This body was formed by lodges holding charters from the colored grand lodge of the District of Columbia, which derived its authority from the Grand Lodge of Roumania. The petitioners were Germans and wanted to form a lodge to work in the German language. They claimed that they did not know that they were irregularly-made. The grand master refused the request. They were informed that they must petition a regular lodge and receive the degrees according to immemorial usage.

It was also reported that an attempt had been made to incorporate a spurious body under laws of the state of Texas bearing a name similar to that of the grand lodge of the state. The secretary of state by advice of the attorney general, refused to permit such incorporation. This was because another corporation bearing the masonic name was contrary to the state law.

THE MASONIC HOME

In Texas is a double-header. The grand lodge cares for the widows and orphans. During the thirteen years of its existence, shelter and maintenance have been given 54 widows and 422 children. The Home for Aged Masons is located at Arlington and is owned, controlled and conducted at the expense of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of that state. The twenty-seven widows of the other Home have been transferred to Arlington. Now, the children are cared for by the grand lodge and the aged masons, their wives and widows are supported by the grand chapter R.A.M. The superintendent recommends the establishment of an athletic department in the children's Home, that physical development may go along with the moral and intellectual. The objects are thus stated by the superintendent—

- I. That our girls and boys may leave the Home mentally, morally and physically fit to cope with life's problems.
- 2. To teach them that by rendering faithful and loyal service to others, we best serve ourselves.

- 3. That each class may leave its mark in the Home, in evidence that it had served faithfully and contributed its mite toward the improvement and welfare of the institution as a whole.
- 4. To stimulate and let them learn to do, by doing practical things, and to take pride in the product of their workmanship.

Perpetual jurisdiction over rejected material gave way to a five-year limit by the adoption of an amendment to the constitution. Grand lodges are coming to substantial unanimity on this basis. In Texas there are 104 district deputy grand masters and these are installed with the grand officers. The array must be somewhat imposing.

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Is written in a minor strain. P.G.M. Geo. W. Tyler, acting chairman, presents a "foreword" of explanation. It is as follows;

R.W. Bro. Thomas M. Matthews, P.G.M., while serving his twenty-fifth term as chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence, departed this life on the 14th day of June, 1912. He fell in the full possession of his faculties and in the active discharge of his duties. He had pursued these duties with such diligence that his completed manuscript reviews of forty-four of the grand lodges lay upon his table when he expired. These have been forwarded to the undersigned, whom the grand master was pleased to designate as acting chairman for the unexpired term. A consensus of opinion was then had among the members of the committee, and we decided unanimously to bring to you these reviews as the

LAST REPORT OF BROTHER MATTHEWS,

without any change, addition or diminution whatever, and the same are herewith presented accordingly.

We feel that in so doing we pay the highest honor within our power to Brother Matthews, and it is fitting that the result of his last labors should stand in our proceedings in consecutive order, and as a proper conclusion to the twenty-four reports that have hitherto come from his able pen—the whole rounding out and completing a splendid and enduring monument to his ability, learning and masonic fidelity.

HIS LAST WORK.

Then came the review of the several grand lodges as prepared by Brother Matthews. Illinois for 1911 is given. The fact is deplored that, because Texas and Illinois grand lodges meet so nearly at the same time, the review of proceedings of necessity must be a year late.

The reviewer says that the amendment providing only one representative in grand lodge from each lodge was adopted. Our good brother mis-read the proceedings for the change was not made. The

wonder is expressed that in so large a jurisdiction no decisions are reported. This comes for two reasons. 1. Our code of laws is so simple and comprehensive as to need little comment or construction. 2. Our grand masters are usually content to let the law take its due course without interference or interruption.

"THE TRAVELING TROWEL."

Hearty approval is given to the comments of this writer on the foolishness of the "traveling trowel." He says—

He denominates the "Traveling Trowel" "A Great Goer," and pertinently asks: "When its journey ends, what of it?" and we repeat, yes; what of it? We will not say what we read between the lines, but will bet a button to a ginger cake that Brother Scott and ourself are not very far apart in our opinion of it. At last, what will it all amount to? Sentimental show, a whole lot of fuss, feathers and buncombe.

Grand Master Ashley's "Masonry and Religion" is heartily approved.

Grand master, J. J. Mansfield, Columbus; grand secretary, John Watson, Waco.

UTAH—1913.

17 Lodges.

42ND ANNUAL.

2,081 Members.

The first book of proceedings of grand lodges held in 1913 came to this reviewer March 19 from Utah. This is one of the smallest grand lodges but is one that always shows the true masonic spirit. During the year a gain in members of 102 is reported. The book opens with a full page picture and biographical sketch of the new grand master, George Henry Dern. The annual meeting was held at Salt Lake City, January 21 and 22, 1913.

A GREAT LIGHT GONE OUT.

Strange names appear on the title page. "Charles Bruerton Jack, grand secretary," looks rather queer in a state where Christopher Diehl has served for forty years as the principal factor in the business of that grand lodge. Due respect was paid to the memory of Brother Diehl who had a reputation, far and near, not only as grand secretary but as writer of the review of grand lodges. The grand master in his annual address says—

"Death selected a shining mark when he laid his hand upon the shoulder of Bro. Christopher Diehl, and bade him follow into the

mists, beyond which lie the sun-tipped mountains. Our venerated and beloved grand secretary, after a period of service in this grand body such as it is the privilege of few to give to any grand lodge, sleeps. All who knew him respected and esteemed him for his genuine worth, and many loved him; but only those who have been turned to better things by the sweetness and simplicity of his life, and who were accustomed to draw upon his rich and varied experience and extensive and accurate fund of masonic knowledge, know how large a place he filled in our ranks, and how great is our loss."

The grand master, Bro. Sam H. Goodwin, was not present. The deputy grand master, Brother Dern, being in charge. There were sixteen past grand masters present. The large number is accounted for in the fact that a new one is elected every year. Bro. A. S. Chapman was present as representative from Illinois.

MEXICO WANTS ANOTHER.

A communication was received from the York Grand Lodge of Mexico requesting advice as to recognition of a second grand lodge in that jurisdiction to be composed entirely of Spanish-speaking lodges working in the Scottish Rite. This was referred by the grand master to the committee on jurisprudence. Very wisely this committee recommended against recognizing this grand lodge. The reason given was that of the unsettled condition of affairs in that country. This reason was valid, but there is another and stronger one. Why should a grand lodge working the Scottish Rite expect recognition from a grand lodge like that of Utah? One of the fundamental grounds for recognizing a grand lodge is its independence and freedom from domination of any other body of men. If such a grand body were to be organized it could only operate under either the southern or northern jurisdiction of this rite. The masonic mixture in Mexico is as great as the civic. The history of that unfortunate country is made up of never ending revolutions. The same condition largely prevails in the formation and qualification of socalled masonic bodies.

WHY NOT LET THE LAW ALONE?

The grand master reports that six times during the year he has waived the time required by law to elapse between the conferring of different degrees. This action was approved. It would seem to one at this distance that if it is necessary to have a law fixing a time between the conferring of degrees that there must be some good reason for it. If so the grand master should let the law take its course.

In notices of the deceased of other jurisdictions the death of Past Grand Master Charles F. Hitchcock was noticed.

Provision was made for a suitable tablet to be placed in the masonic temple at Salt Lake City, Utah, in memory of the late grand secretary, Christopher Diehl. There was an appropriation made of \$500 for this purpose. The grand master appointed a committee of three to carry this out.

The most pleasant occasion was the banquet extended to the officers and members of grand lodge and visiting brethren by the four lodges in Salt Lake City. This was the closing event of the session.

A NEW REVIEWER.

The new grand secretary, Bro. CHARLES B. JACK, was appointed the committee on correspondence. He expressed misgivings as to his ability to succeed "Brother Diehl, who for thirty-six years performed this work in such a manner as to give distinction to the proceedings of this grand lodge and merit the esteem of other reviewers." The first effort of our brother proves that his work needs no apology. To Illinois he gives two pages of his valuable space. The proceedings for Illinois for 1912 are under review. In speaking of Grand Master DARRAH he says-"His reference to his visit to Rock Island brings pleasant recollections of my passing the examination there and then youching for the grand master and five past grand masters from Iowa upon similar occasion." Again he says—"The 'black-ball devil,' who tries to injure his lodge is severely and correctly dealt with. Smoking in the lodge room receives attention the same as in several other jurisdictions." After quoting a paragraph from Brother Darrah's address he concludes-"There are twenty-three pages of the address and not a line devoted to senseless rhetoric."

A New Feature.

At the close of Brother Jack's report a rather new feature is introduced. He culls from several jurisdictions certain important points under the head of "Decisions and Rulings." These pertain to jurisdiction, reception of petitions, requests to confer, lodges U.D., visitors, physical qualifications, limitation of authority, charity and corner-stones. The summary is made very brief in every case. One from Illinois will illustrate—"A lodge having conferred the E.A. degree not having jurisdiction the applicant is, in absence of fraud on his part, an E.A. in good standing."

Grand master, George H. Dern, Salt Lake City; grand secretary, Charles B. Jack, Salt Lake City.

VERMONT—1913.

103 LODGES.

120TH ANNUAL.

13,610 MEMBERS.

The proceedings of this grand lodge come in excellent form. The tale is tersely told and yet it is full enough to give every phase of the work in that state. "Organized 1794" finds its place at the bottom of the outside cover page. This venerable grand lodge, though not large, appears to be doing business in the line of masonry in a most approved fashion. The annual meeting was held at Burlington, June 11 and 12, 1913. The book opens with a full page picture of Herbert L. Townsend, grand tyler, who died during the year. Brother Delos M. Bacon was present as the representative for Illinois. The address of the grand master is a specially able and well prepared document. Referring to the organization of the grand lodge he says—

That assemblage consisted of only fourteen, and represented all the lodges, five in number, that had an existence in our state. They were brave men and strong in their belief of what freemasonry would be able to accomplish. As they were pioneers in establishing our institution, so they had been pioneers in laying the foundation for our commonwealth. They had endured great hardships and privations in building and defending their homes and they were willing to go through similar experiences to establish a fraternity that could wield such a power for good in the community. Three of them were with Allen when he marched into the fortress at Ticonderoga, and others of their number had served in other organizations during the war waged for independence from foreign rule and tyranny. That they were men of calm and deliberate judgment is shown by the constitution they drew up and ratified at that time. So careful were they that it has had to be changed but little in all these long years. We may well be proud that we can trace our masonic ancestry to such men as these. If those who have gone before can see that which is transpiring here on earth, I am sure they look down with pleasure upon this assemblage that tries to emulate their virtues. May we be given a goodly portion of the same wisdom and foresight in maintaining the integrity and benefits which they established.

Accounting for the small net gain in membership of 167 Grand Master Weston says that it has been a year of weeding out those who would not do their share in paying for the benefits received. He says that "it leaves them with a membership of workers, without the expense of supporting the drones."

VERMONT HAS A TEMPLE.

The grand master savs—

The public hall has brought in a little more for the past year than the year before. But conditions have so changed that we cannot expect the income from it that we have had in past years. There is not the call for it for social gatherings, since the roof-gardens offer such enticing places for such gatherings. The question presents itself whether it can not be changed in such a manner that it will be more sought after. Were it properly arranged, it would offer desirable quarters for certain kinds of business purposes.

It is seen from the foregoing that it is necessary for the grand lodge to get into active competition with roof-gardens, nickel shows and other forms of amusement in order to keep their temple going as a paying concern.

Though having no charity fund from which to draw, the grand master took the liberty of sending \$100 to the Red Cross society to assist the distressed of Salonica in consequence of the Balkan war.

MUST RENOUNCE.

In cases where men are imposed upon and join clandestine lodges, thinking them to be legitimate, it is necessary in Vermont to sign a stiff renunciation of allegiance to the spurious bodies. In line with other grand lodges the five year limit for rejected material has been put in force. An interesting case was reported. The senior warden in the absence of the W.M. called a meeting of the lodge. Ouestion was as to the power of the senior warden in the absence of the master. It was properly held that he had full power to do whatever the master would have done had he been present. The grand master issued a dispensation to permit a lodge to receive petition from one who had resided less than one year in the state. He confesses that this was an error under the law in Vermont. By reason of his argument the law was so modified that where a man had resided one year, at any time, in the state he would be eligible during the first year after his return. The wisdom of this decision is questionable. A man might leave the state after years of residence and return to some other portion without the lodge having any means of knowing of his character or standing. Merely because he had once resided in the state more than a year would make him eligible to admission. It strikes one as far away as Illinois that the change in the law was not an improvement.

CAN'T MIX RITUALS

The grand master administered severe and well-deserved rebuke to the master of a lodge for permitting a portion of the ritual of Massachusetts to be injected into the work of a Vermont lodge. Being close neighbor to the old Bay state, Vermont finds that the dual membership law of the former is a matter of considerable irritation. A lengthy correspondence was carried on between the two grand masters. Grand Master Weston hits the mark when he says—

By the usage in your grand jurisdiction, a brother who is a member of a Vermont lodge may join one or more lodges in Massachusetts, and his home lodge know nothing about it. He may be suspended or expelled in his home lodge and still remain in good standing in Massachusetts, or vice versa. In this way much injustice may be wrought.

In Massachusetts they are supposed to refuse membership to one who belongs to a lodge in a state where dual membership is not in vogue. The grand master of Massachusetts made the necessary provision to prevent further difficulty in the future. The writer is quite of the opinion that dual membership is a useless, if not dangerous, privilege. If a man is a good member of one lodge that is quite sufficient.

Not many decisions were reported. These were of such strictly local character as to require little attention. In one, however, it is held that "it is permissible to confer the first section of the first three degrees upon more than one candidate at the same time." Query: What other than the "first" three degrees are conferred in the lodges of Vermont?

The report of the grand secretary is an unusually excellent document. It covers but three pages and is confined strictly to the work of his office. His report of membership and number of lodges is ideal. He gives the reviewer the statistics at a glance.

Upon recommendation of the committee on correspondence the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands was recognized and an exchange of representatives invited.

Some Ancient History.

EVERETT C. BENTON, grand master in Massachusetts, and his grand marshal were received with the honors of the craft. Brother BENTON was doubly welcome because he was a Vermonter by birth and had been junior grand warden of that state. In his address he gives this bit of ancient masonic history—

So far as the record goes, the first masonic gathering in America was held in Boston in 1720 in King's Chapel; thirteen years later, in 1733, the first charter which was used for the regular convening of masons was issued to Henry Price; that charter gave the right to establish lodges in the western hemisphere, and from that St. John's lodge masonry has spread throughout North and South America.

While he was there it was a special pleasure and privilege for him as grand master of Massachusetts, to install Brother Benton who had been re-elected grand master of Vermont. It is seldom one grand master installs one of another state.

On recommendation of the grand master the committee on charity recommends the establishment of a charity fund with \$1,000 as a nucleus. This did not meet unanimous approval. One member of the

committee made a lengthy minority report. However, the grand lodge approved the plan and the charity fund has been established.

The committee on necrology gave a well deserved tribute to Past Grand Master Charles F. Hitchcock of Illinois. Marsh O. Perkins, P.G.M., writes

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Of grand lodges. From Alabama to Wyoming, from Genesis to Revelation, from Dan to Beersheba, "from the rivers to the ends of the earth" and from many other wide spreading boundaries there is something doing every minute. Brother Perkins' review is one of the most breezy, able and interesting productions that it has been the pleasure of this reviewer to read. He discusses Illinois for 1912. The following paragraph will be read with interest by Illinois masons;

The annual address of the grand master (Darrah) is a masterly paper, and reflects not only fearlessness and energy in the discharge of his official duties, but the fraternal spirit that should animate a chief executive of the craft. It shows him to be built upon broad constructive lines, resourceful, practical and convincing, as evidenced by the hearty endorsement by grand lodge of his many recommendations for progressive work along right lines. When one thinks of the wonderful development of the institution in Illinois, in a decade, he can but approach the border-land of amazement. During this time, the lodges have increased in number from 724 to 823, including twenty-two constituted the past year, and eight chartered at this annual, while the membership, now 115,000 in round numbers, has nearly doubled. Ten years ago, grand lodge had no organized charities, now it has two splendid institutions, whose maintenance gives emphasis to the continuous, increasing benevolence of the craft, in deeds rather than words. Other things attest to rapid advancement in material prosperity, such as the erection of masonic temples in all parts of the state, past, present and prospective; financial independence of subordinate lodges, and broadened plans of work, that naturally follow upon masonic culture and recognition of the fuller interdependence of man and lodge, the one upon the other, individually and collectively.

The entire address of Grand Master Darrah is drawn upon and heartily endorsed.

APPROVES THE SHAKE-UP.

Regarding the work of district deputies Brother Perkins says-

The first official act of Grand Master Darrah appears to have been a shakeup in the district deputy department, with splendid results attendant upon more zealous effort to promote the interests of the craft, rather than sporting claw-hammer coats and vast expanse of shirt bosoms at the head of banquet tables, as had been the custom.

Under Massachusetts Brother Perkins refers to the practice of grand lodges in laying church corner-stones on Sunday. He says—

We must confess to surprise, to find that one of the corner-stones was placed on Sunday, even if the structure, thus marked, was a

Methodist church edifice—a mighty poor example, in our judgment, for an old, honored grand lodge, like that of Massachusetts, to set for others. No wonder Grand Master Benton recommended an increase in the number of grand chaplains from two to four, and that grand lodge feeling the need of their ministrations, concurred. Evidently there was a pressing demand for them.

The same conditions have developed in Illinois. In a number of instances churches have asked masons to place the corner stone of a building on Sunday. These requests have been declined, for the reasons that masons observe the Sabbath and do no work on that day. In one case, the church recognized the consistency of the fraternity and had the corner-stone laid on a week day. Brother Perkins does not seem to be wholly in accord with the Illinois grand master.

It is assumed that he declines other similar invitations and adds—"It is singular how the sons today, of the fathers of old are making the startling discoveries that the latter didn't know enough to know what they were about, when they spoke of 'churches and other public buildings.'" He then gives Grand Master Darrah's reasons.

THINKS THE SPURIOUS SMILE.

Referring to that portion of Brother Darrah's address relating to the use of spurious rituals he says "meanwhile publishing houses continue to smile." He approves the reference to "the worst devil in masoury is the black-balling devil." He heartily endorses the non-smoking crusade in Illinois.

Brother Perkins reviews the appropriations and general conditions of the two homes in Illinois and cordially endorses the policy of withholding large expenditures upon masonic temple buildings until the distressed and dependent mason, his widow and orphan, are suitably provided for.

The Vermont reviewer pronounced the annual oration of Past Grand Master Alexander H. Bell as "learned, eloquent and instructive, and moreover well out of the beaten path of such productions". He then gives a pungent paragraph from Brother Bell's oration relating to evolution. "The whole oration is well worth reading and we are pleased to direct attention to it, fully extended in the Illinois proceedings, to be found at the grand secretary's office," is his conclusion.

The Illinois report on correspondence is designated as "capital." However, the strictures on the grand secretary of Vermont last year were explained. He says that "Brother Ross did just what was expected,

and no more, of him by his brethren." It is with regret that the writer turns from this good report, being admonished by limitations of space. Many other quotations would be of interest to Illinois readers.

Grand master, Eugene S. Weston, New Haven; grand secretary. HENRY H. Ross, Burlington.

VICTORIA—1912.

218 Lodges.

MEETINGS QUARTERLY.

12,310 Members.

Four meetings were held during the year 1912. Not much appears in the proceedings of this grand lodge of interest to those outside. The business is conducted much on the English style. No doubt to the people at home, it is of importance and absorbs their attention. An increase of 572 members shows progress in that far away land.

The grand master granted 219 dispensations. Of these, forty-four were "to wear regalia at masonic balls and socials." Ten were "to wear regalia at masonic choral services." Eighty-six were "for alteration of date of regular meeting." In Illinois the time of stated meeting can only be changed by amending the by-laws.

The retiring pro grand master reports that all foreign relations are harmonious and pleasant, but mentions the unsettled affairs in Queensland. The board of general purposes strongly disapproved of a notice being inserted in a public newspaper by a lodge giving time and place of the regular meeting.

QUEENSLAND RECOGNIZED.

At the quarterly held in September, 1912, with full discussion based on the report by Brother Monteath after a visit to Queensland, the Grand Lodge of Victoria formally recognized Queensland as a sovereign and independent grand body. The fact that Ireland had done this had much weight with this Australasian body. At the next meeting in December suitable communications were received in appreciation by the grand lodge that had so long been held at arm's length. A representative was present and received with suitable honors. It will thus be seen that one by one grand lodges that have been holding aloof have recognized the fact that the Grand Lodge of Queensland should be given its proper place in the world's great family of masons.

Grand master, Albert T. Holden, Melbourne; grand secretary, Charles J. Barrow, Melbourne.

VIRGINIA—1913.

324 Lodges.

135TH ANNUAL.

23,392 MEMBERS.

The proceedings of the Old Dominion come in a shade of blue. The color is considered symbolic of the three degrees but it is a poor one on which to print. The black letters on this particular shade of blue are very difficult to read. A new face appears as grand secretary. Bro. Charles A. Nesbitt was appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Bro. George W. Carrington. The grand master, Bro. William L. Andrews, who is also representative of Illinois near the Grand Lodge of Virginia, was re-elected. In that venerable grand body it is believed that one year of service fits a man for the second.. It is not safe to change so important an officer too frequently.

SMALL LODGES BETTER.

In his annual address Brother Andrews expresses some very sensible views. He says that the "lodges having a membership of less than a hundred do more for the cause of masonry and show more enthusiasm than when they number hundreds. If you look over the list of those lodges that have shown their 'faith by works' you will find that when it comes to practical charity the smaller lodge exceeds, in percentage, its larger sister." On the same line he gives an instance as follows; "I know of one lodge whose membership runs to nearly half a thousand sending but little over five cents per capita, when some of the smaller lodges sent nearly one dollar per capita. In too many cases the small lodge furnishes the money and the large one the excuses." Brother Andrews has opinions regarding another subject of vital importance to which the writer has had frequent occasion to refer. His own words will best give his view. He says—

Financially, all our lodges appear to be prospering, but many of them are commercializing themselves by trying to obtain expensive properties that yield large revenues, and, as a result, the lodge enters into voluntary servitude for years to come, paralyzes its chances for usefulness, creates dissatisfaction among its members by necessarily increased dues to meet these obligations made in pursuit of wealth, and discourages men of moderate means from applying for the mysteries, because the amount to be paid in the future as dues, with a probable raise, is more than they feel they can spare for the cause.

MASONRY COMMERCIALIZED.

These words are true as holy writ. Many lodges have obscured the real aim of masonry by attempting to own expensive and showy prop-

erty. The burden of debt has paralyzed and prevented them from carrying out a plan of usefulness. Virginia is a good illustration of this fact. While provision has been made to care for the children, it was only at this session that a grand lodge in existence for more than a century has taken steps to provide for the worthy distressed mason and his wife or widow. Further illustrating this, is the report regarding the masonic temple. It says—"The debt on the temple is \$15,000. Your finances will justify paying \$10,000 of the debt this year and I recommend that you instruct your finance committee to make such payment, which if done will enable you to get out of debt next year." Here it will be seen that the temple has stood in the way of properly caring for those who are most in need.

But fourteen decisions were reported. The grand master thinks that the brethren are so well posted in the law that they do not need to trouble him with so many inquiries. In one case a lodge was opened a half hour before the time fixed in the by-laws. Vote was taken on petition and a member elected to receive the degrees. These were afterwards conferred. The grand master held that, though the opening was contrary to the by-law, yet the error would not affect the masonic status of those who were then elected and subsequently received the degrees.

MALICE PROTECTED.

It is not often that an opinion necessitates dissent from views of so great and good a man and mason as Brother Andrews. However, in one of his decisions it seems that a different answer should have been given. The question was—

If there is in the lodge a member who has some personal feeling against the petitioner's father, or some member of the family, and uses the black ballot, and if the lodge has positive proof that it was done on account of some little frivolous personal matter, does the lodge have to put up with this kind of work?

The answer was as follows:

The lodge does have to put up with it. "The ballot is secret and sacred," and no one has a right to question either the motive or the act of the member as to his ballot. He is answerable only to God and his conscience for his act and the worthiness of the motives that prompted that act.

Granted the position that the ballot is sacred and secret, yet, where a brother is wantonly using the black ball to interfere with the progress of the craft, the law should provide that he receive discipline which he justly deserves. Possibly under the law of Virginia the grand master could make no other reply to the question than he did.

THE SCOPE WIDENED.

The Masonic Home is reported in good condition. It only cares for children. The report shows that there were 33 girls and 34 boys under the care of those who were the brothers of their fathers before they were bereft of their natural protectors. The grand master reports the purchase of nineteen acres with improvements thereon to be made ready to receive indigent masons, their wives and widows. It was provided that this home be opened to receive members June 24, 1914, or earlier if the buildings could be made ready. The land purchased had upon it a frame dwelling of about ten rooms in good repair and cost \$9,500.

Grand Master Andrews does not minimize the importance of going into the vitals of things. This is the foundation of success. He argues, however, "for an enlightened craft" and urges the reading of books and papers that masons may know something more than the mere wording of the ritual.

Virginia has fifty-two masonic districts. Illinois has but fifty. It is believed that these are among the largest number of districts of any grand lodge.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

Comes from the experienced hand of Bro. Joseph W. Eggleston. In his conclusion he calls attention to the fact that he has felt his weakness in the past, but that the good opinion of his fellow reviewers has encouraged him to believe that he had accomplished something toward the enlightenment of the masons of the Old Dominion. He may be regarded as a veritable "clipper." He gives due credit, however, to the various writers of other grand jurisdictions. He reviews Illinois for 1912. He thinks that "in this immense (Illinois) jurisdiction the management of the grand master's office is a problem and far too big an undertaking for one man, unassisted." A full half page then is given of Grand Master Darrah's address. Referring to the decision that the wearing of a truss would not necessarily disqualify a candidate he says, "The whole address was full of good sense and the only decision eminently so."

WOULD BAR SMOKING.

He gives in full the reference to cipher rituals. Also that concerning smoking in the lodge room. Commenting on this he says, "The writer, something of a smoker himself, likes the following, except the limitation 'during the conferring of any part of a degree.' It should never be tolerated at all." To this the writer says, amen! and amen! Many other extracts are made with hearty approval. He

thinks the Illinois review was "a good, breezy report." He reproduces what was said regarding the using of "His Excellency in introducing William H. Taft, who was then president of the United States. In reference to the comment made in the Illinois review for 1012 regarding the conferring of honorary membership by a lodge upon its own members, Brother Eggleston asks this 'significant question, "Are we right, or is he, as to honorary membership?" It is suspected that the Virginia reviewer is in cordial sympathy with the attitude of the Illinois writer. It requires 156 pages for Brother Eggleston to complete his survey of the masonic field of the world. A vast deal of information is given, though the writer was content to comment but sparingly.

Grand master, William L. Andrews, Roanoke; grand secretary. Joseph W. Eggleston, Richmond.

WASHINGTON-1912.

183 Lodges.

55TH ANNUAL.

17,119 MEMBERS.

Though held in June the proceedings were not received until the middle of November. It took five months to get the records sent out. In Illinois in 1912, Grand Secretary Cutter began mailing his proceedings within thirty days from the adjournment of the grand lodge.

Washington appears prosperous, having made a net gain of 1,443. The average membership of the 183 lodges is given at 93. In the list of grand officers there appears a black line opposite the "grand chaplain," who passed to his reward during the year. Illinois was unrepresented.

The meeting was held at Seattle and the usual program of welcome addresses of migratory grand lodges was carried out. The mayor and other functionaries welcomed the brethren and told of the glories of the city.

REJECTS PERPETUAL JURISDICTION.

In his annual address Grand Master Prescott reported that a rejected applicant for the degrees at Harvey, Ill., had petitioned a lodge in Washington. Under the law of perpetual jurisdiction, as then held by Illinois, he could not be received without a waiver. The grand master refused to recognize the doctrine of perpetual jurisdiction. In this he was sustained by the grand lodge. This difference is now largely eliminated. Illinois holds to five-year jurisdiction, having abandoned the claim for perpetual.

Only two decisions were reported. It was held that "a man who has lost the first joint of the first and second fingers of his right hand" is eligible, as he can comply with the requirements of the several degrees. The head waiter in a restaurant where liquor is sold cannot receive the degrees. The rule was adopted requiring lodges in different states to correspond through the grand masters where degrees are to be conferred by courtesy.

The grand master reports seventeen lodges meeting in the light of the moon. He recommends that they be required to fix a definite time in their by-laws. The grand master thinks there should be more in lodges than work, important as that is. He says that—

The lodge which makes social and masonic educational sessions a part of its plans is more nearly reaching the high standard which should be maintained in our lodges.

A NEW KIND OF PRESENT.

Something a little out of the ordinary may be noted. The record reads that the intimate friends and brethren of grand lodge presented M.W. Bro. David S. Prescott a handsome gold watch." Brother Prescott was the retiring grand master. Usually it is a jewel or an apron. The next stand of the grand lodge will be at Aberdeen in 1913.

The committee on obituaries in its report occupies less than a half page. Here is a pointer for the brother who writes for Illinois. Our reports have been extremely long. Porto Rico was recognized, but York Grand Lodge of Mexico and Belgium were advised to wait.

The Masonic Home at Puyallup was received and opened to use. An excursion was taken by the grand lodge for inspection. It is reported that much has been done to put this excellent institution in readiness for its guests.

Bro. Elmer D. Olmsted took the place of the regular grand orator. On short notice he presented a fine address, putting the emphasis on care in detecting clandestines. He thinks by incorporation the frauds can be detected and prosecuted. Our experience is otherwise. Regarding masonic emblems in national cemeteries it was reported that the war department had made an order that "The regulations governing inscriptions on monuments and markers in national cemeteries have been modified so as to permit of the cutting thereon of insignia or emblems of fraternal societies."

An effort was made to have the grand lodge adopt the oration and correspondence, but, on report of the jurisprudence committee, it was decided that they were printed merely for information, the sentiments expressed being the individual opinions of the authors.

Dabbling in Danger.

The following was the prelude to a resolution of non-intercourse—*Whereas*, This grand lodge recognizes no masonic degrees conferred in this state, which are founded upon the blue lodge, other than those conferred under the jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters, the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States, and the Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States (Mother Council of the World) or such other supreme council recognized by said supreme council.

What can a grand lodge of the ancient craft officially know about other bodies built upon masonry? Any grand lodge is inviting complications when it assumes to recognize, approve or condemn any body of men outside of its own organization. It cannot control their acts and yet, when it forms entangling alliances, it is in a measure responsible for what is beyond its control or even influence. The chapter, council and commandery are all right in their own field and within the scope of their purposes. When masonry attempts to condemn or approve templarism it will find itself in a sea of troubles beyond its depth. Our Washington brethren will gain nothing for masonry or their grand lodge in attempting to "resolute" other bodies up or down.

The past grand master's association held its annual reunion during the session and a record was included in the proceedings. The report shows that the principal business was to note those present and to enjoy a good dinner together.

Washington has an office called the "grand bible bearer." During the year the venerable brother filling this place went to eternal refreshment in the beyond.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Of grand lodges is made by Bro. RALPH C. Mcallaster. It is a brief but forceful summary of masonic doings throughout the world. In summing up our brother says that he is impressed with the usefulness of the district deputy grand masters. Of their service he says—

The close touch which is maintained with every lodge, the frequent opportunity for the officers to consult with someone well qualified to instruct in law and procedure, the comparative ease with which the grand master reaches any lodge for matters of discipline, all seem to us very advantageous.

He deprecates the encroachment of the grand lodge on the prerogatives of the individual lodges. He believes in masonic home rule. This subject is concluded with these words—

The proceedings of some grand lodges read like the mandates of despotic power, not like the consultation and legislation of a representa-

tive body. Listen, brethren, to Brother Gorrell of Saskatchewan when he says, "Get back, get back, to the simplicity of our fathers, when lodges had some rights and were not smothered in the injudicious attempts of grand bodies to legislate for every evil of the craft."

Brother Mcallaster does not favor the setting aside of the rules and laws to enable a man who gets in a hurry for the degrees to be put through. He asks this pertinent question—

Why should a man who has lived from twenty-one to thirty or so years in a community have the fundamental law of the institution set aside for his benefit, just because, at the last moment before he leaves the town, he makes up his mind that it would be a pretty good thing to be a mason where he is going?

True enough, why should this be done?

As to Illinois.

The reviewer says that every brother in this state may qualify as a grand lecturer. This is correct and a large number of Illinois craftsmen are qualifying from year to year. He says that our Homes "are measuring up to their opportunities in a becoming manner."

The attitude of Grand Master Ashley regarding "Masonry and Religion" is heartily approved. The salient points are quoted and regrets expressed that he cannot give it in full. In referring to the tribute paid to our late P.G.M., John C. Smith, he says that "The writer remembers to this day the influence of a few hours' visit with him several years ago, and the short address delivered by him to one of our Seattle lodges."

Brother McAllaster refers in complimentary terms to the Illinois review of grand lodges and gives the summary of big lodges with their respective memberships. Under District of Columbia and of Scotland the full action regarding Jack Johnson is given, showing the discipline of the lodge at Dundee, Scotland, for the fraudulent admission of the world's biggest brute.

Grand master, Frank N. McCandless, Tacoma; grand secretary. Horace W. Tyler, Tacoma.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA-1911.

OI LODGES.

13TH ANNUAL.

3.780 MEMBERS.

It was much regretted by the Illinois reviewer that the proceedings of Western Australia for the year from April, 1911, to April, 1912, were not received in time for the review of last year. Thus the doings of the grand lodge become somewhat stale before a summary can reach Illinois readers. Four quarterly meetings were held, the one in April, 1912, being designated as the annual.

The book opens with a fine picture of the grand master, Bro. C. O. L. Riley, bishop of Perth. The grand master was absent at the meeting in July, 1911, being then in the mother country. D.G.M. Bro. J. S. Battye presided. The address of the deputy grand master expresses the great love and esteem held by the brethren toward their absent grand master.

Under dispensations appears this—"To initiate a minor rule 159." Evidently the discretion is given the grand master to permit underlings to become masons. This is a most questionable proceeding. Boys should ripen into men before they are introduced into the deep mysteries of our ancient craft. To prove this may, with propriety, be quoted the words of Brother Battye himself.

Masonry's Broad Mission.

In his address he says-

Masonry, brethren, is not the growth of a day, nor even of a century. Neither is it some evanescent religious phase, or the dull vaporings from the brain of some doubtfully sane enthusiast. From time immemorial it has been a great constructive force, free from religious or political bias, wide enough to embrace all shades of opinion, with purposes clearly defined, with aims and objects noble and inspiring, sounding in clarion tones down through the ages the sacred and eternal principles of brotherly love, relief, and truth; brotherly love deep and abiding, great enough to include all men, but more especially those who are "of the household faith"—truth unchanging, immutable, proving itself in every thought, word and deed—relief, mercy, charity, to all who suffer in body, soul, or spirit.

During his stay in the old country Grand Master RILEY was able to do much toward getting the grand lodges of England to do justice to Queensland. He deplored the scandal perpetuated by the tripartite agreement of England, Ireland and Scotland.

During the year the last Irish lodge in the province identified itself with the Grand Lodge of Western Australia. Its allegiance henceforth

will be given to the governing body of its own land. The Widows' and Orphans' Fund is reported to be supplying the needs of twenty-one children and one aged freemason.

MASONRY MAKES FOR PEACE.

The grand master indulges in a dream of peace. He says that-

We should try with all our powers to promote peace and brotherly love; otherwise we are not carrying out our obligations. I dream—will it always be a dream?—surely not—that in the future the members of our order, over 2,000,000 strong, picked men—gathered out of every race—scattered over the wide expanse of the earth's surface—will exert a force and have a power in the interest of peace that it will be impossible for others to overthrow.

Can we not have this in mind, and can we not work for this? Can we not determine that wars between nations, between races, between various social ranks, between various societies, shall become a thing of the past? Then, however, little we may be able to do in our time and generation, our work as freemasons will not have been without good result for the world—

Perhaps one day we may hear the voice of love say Peace Peace, and no longer from its brazen portals The blast of war's great organ shakes the skies, But beautiful as songs of the immortals, The holy melodies of love arise!

The Grand Lodge of Liberia was recognized and an exchange of representatives arranged. Few grand lodges have accepted the masonry of this African body as regular.

Provision was made to induce the many non-affiliates residing in this Australasian jurisdiction to affiliate with the lodges. This is an evil with which many older and much larger grand jurisdictions have struggled with varying degrees of success.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Of grand lodges is made by a committee of eight members. The report embraces fifty-six grand lodges of the English speaking world. No one member writes the entire review. Each member takes a specified portion of the grand lodges. The initials of the writer in each case are appended. Illinois comes from the hand of P.G.D. LAVATER. The report is brief, but one and one-half pages being devoted to our 1911 proceedings. The address of Grand Master Ashley is described as "lengthy and complete and contains much of interest." The reviewer quotes in full and with hearty agreement Brother Ashley's reference to "Masonry and Religon."

Grand master, C. O. L. Riley, Perth; grand secretary, J. D. Stevenson, Perth.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA—1912.

91 LODGES.

12TH ANNUAL.

3,788 MEMBERS.

This grand lodge follows the English plan, with quarterly meetings. The present proceedings cover the time from April, 1911, to April, 1912. The annual was held at Perth, April 25, 1912. In this far-away grand jurisdiction entered apprentices and fellow crafts have the right to vote the same as master masons. All lodge business is transacted in the first degree. This is contrary to the rule in most other grand lodges.

The grand master reported a visit to England. While there he endeavored to settle the embarrassment existing between Queensland and the big three of Britain. Although there is a regular grand lodge in Queensland, the tri-partite agreement between England, Ireland and Scotland prevents the full authority of Queensland over the lodges of that province. Grand Master RILEY, who is also Bishop of Perth, used his good offices to solve the problem.

Effort to Secure Justice.

Regarding this the grand master says—

We had two interviews with the grand secretary and the grand registrar of England, and I believe that our intervention may have some effect. We at least gathered from our interviews that the Grand Lodge of England was very anxious to find some way out of the difficulty created by the making of an agreement between England, Ireland, and Scotland about the formation of new grand lodges, and causing the agreement to be retrospective. I suggested that the best way was to tear up the agreement. It is to be hoped that wiser counsels will prevail in the future in Queensland than in the past. It may help when the brethren in Queensland know that the Grand Lodge of England wants them to find some way out of the present difficulties.

It is to be hoped that the young and struggling grand lodge may be given free rein from the mothers abroad.

Admitted a Minor.

Among report of dispensations there is one "to initiate a minor." As Rule 159 is referred to it may be assumed that the grand master exercised a discretion given him by law. Reports show that twenty-one orphan children and one aged freemason arc cared for out of the "widows' and orphans' fund." The Grand Lodge of Liberia was recognized. The reason given for such action was that "the grand lodges of the United Kingdom, South Australia and Victoria" had given them official sanction.

The "grand inspector of workings" reports that interpolation in the ritual of passages from the Scriptures is in evidence in many lodges." Here, as elsewhere, ambitious brethren seek to improve on a ritual which is the outgrowth of the wisdom of the ages. When representatives of grand lodges were received the diplomat for Illinois failed to respond.

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Is briefly written and summarizes the actions of grand lodges. The reviewer says that Grand Master Ashley's address is lengthy and complete and contains much of interest."

Grand master, C. O. L. RILEY, Perth; grand secretary, J. D. Stevenson, Perth.

WEST VIRGINIA-1912.

147 Lodges.

48th Annual.

15,768 MEMBERS.

An imposing volume of 645 pages is the way West Virginia communicates to the masonic world her doings for the past year. A gain of 878 members indicates prosperity and healthy growth.

A radical change was made during the year by the death of Past Grand Master Hiram R. Howard, who held the position of grand secretary for many years. Bro. John M. Collins was made his successor by appointment during vacation. He was elected at the annual meeting which was held at Charleston November 13,14, 1912. A large number of special meetings were held for laying of corner-stones and dedication of masonic buildings. The proceedings are interspersed with pictures of temples located in various parts of the state.

At the annual meeting Illinois was represented by Thomas P. Jacobs, senior grand warden, he having been appointed representative near the Grand Lodge of West Virginia during the year. The annual address of Grand Master John M. McConihay was a lengthy and interesting document.

DISPENSATIONS REFUSED.

Among dispensations refused was one where a young man expressed deep regret that he had cast a black ball and secured the rejection of a candidate. The grand master said he felt inclined to permit another ballot, but thought it would establish a had precedent. Hence he declined. He also refused to permit a lodge to appear in masonic regalia at a temperance rally and lecture.

Under dispensations he permitted a lodge to contribute its funds to an associated charities movement. He said he knew of no law prohibiting it, but it was a more desirable way for a lodge to dispense its own charity.

Under the law prohibiting liquor sellers from uniting with a masonic lodge an interesting question arose. There was an exemption in the law for those who were then in the business. The city in which two brothers engaged in the saloon business went dry. They went out of business. When the city again issued licenses these brothers re-engaged in the liquor business. The question was whether the exemption applied to them. The grand master said it was a new question and as the meeting of the grand lodge was near at hand, he declined to pass upon it. It was referred to the jurisprudence committee. After due deliberation and extensive argument the committee reported adversely and the grand lodge sustained its report. The two brothers who were in the saloon business were compelled to give up masonry or the saloon.

In accepting the position of grand secretary Brother Collins pays high tribute to the long and efficient service of his predecessor. A letter was read from our Bro. John F. Campbell, who represents the Grand Lodge of West Virginia at the Grand Lodge of Illinois.

ONCE LIVED IN ILLINOIS.

An excellent portrait of the late Bro. Hiram R. Howard is presented. In the memorial to him it is stated that he "conducted printing offices and papers of his own in Lincoln and Mound City, Illinois." This was in the days of his early manhood. Owing to the death of Past Grand Master Howard, it became necessary to find a new committee on correspondence. Bro. George W. Atkinson was selected by the grand master. He had previously served in this position and had written twenty reviews of grand lodges, the present one being his twenty-first. He was not only past grand master but was also past grand secretary. From his wide and varied experience it was easy to predict an excellent report coming as it does from such worthy hands.

ABOUT ILLINOIS.

The review of Illinois is for 1911. He says that "the grand master's diary is an exhaustive review of his year's labors." He further says that "he heartily endorses what he says of Masonry and Religion." Brother

Ashley's discussion of that question is then quoted in full. Brother Atkinson expresses the opinion that the arrest of the charter of the lodge was a very light penalty for the offense of accepting a candidate who had lost the front finger on the right hand. Other grand jurisdictions have said that this punishment was too severe. Here we have it. When doctors disagree, who shall decide? Liberal quotation is made from the oration of our grand orator, the late Bro. William W. Wilson. In referring to the change in the committee on correspondence in Illinois, Brother Atkinson says—

KNEW BROTHER ROBBINS.

The report on foreign correspondence is the product of the brain and pen of Bro. Owen Scott, P.G.M., the successor of our illustrious brother, Dr. Joseph Robbins, a brother of precious memory. Brother Scott divides his pages with small cap sub-heads, which is by no means objectionable. He scrutinizes with precision, but unlike Brother Robbins, he does not dip his pen in ink and slash things that do not suit his own views. In the years agone grand lodges had to sit up and take notice, or Dr. Robbins would say his say, which always meant much. Still, all of us respected and revered him because of his great learning.

West Virginia for 1910 fares well at the hands of Brother Scott, who gives us three and a half pages of review. He is of the opinon that M.W. Brother Clark made rather too liberal use of his "decision machine" when he handed down twenty-eight opinions. We are a progressive people over here in West Virginia, and we do not do things by halves. We are therefore noted for "going the whole hog, or none." He, however, agrees that the closing paragraphs of Brother Clark's address show "sound sense." He is right, because Brother Clark has plenty of gray matter under the roots of his hair.

IN DOUBT ABOUT MEXICO.

The Mexico situation looks easy to our West Virginia brother. He says it is necessary to change the name from Valle de Mexico to York Grand Lodge of Mexico. He then says that there is no material change of base. He quotes from the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, and says—

Hence, as stated by the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, no action need be taken by the grand lodges which have already acknowledged the sovereignty of the former, except to substitute the name of the latter—York Grand Lodge of Mexico—on its rolls. I am not yet fully satisfied that the matter can be disposed of in this manner, but it certainly looks very plausible. So far as I am individually concerned, I shall, as the judges of courts usually say, "take time to consider," because I have not had time to post up on so important a matter, having been away from the "round table" for the past six years.

THE NAME NOT ALL.

It is surmised that the brother will discover, if he goes deep enough into the so-called masonic lodges of Mexico, that there was a good deal more wrong with them than the mere name. There are four distinct bodies in Mexico all claiming to be grand lodges and assuming to have independent sovereignty of that much distracted country. Brother Atkinson quotes from the Illinois review for 1911 what is said regarding the Grand Lodge of Queensland and its relation to Scotland. The writer is gratified to know that this veteran reviewer is in accord with the attitude taken. In his conclusion Brother Atkinson says he finds nothing out of the ordinary routine workings of the fraternity throughout the world to deserve special consideration.

Grand master, Charles W. Lynch, Clarksburg; grand secretary, John M. Collins, Charleston.

WISCONSIN-1913.

269 Lodges.

60TH ANNUAL.

28.082 MEMBERS.

"Transactions" of this excellent grand lodge were received in due time. Few preliminaries are indulged. A very short list of grand officers and then comes immediately the annual address of the grand master. This is a document well worthy of perusal. He says that "we are here gathered, on no pleasure excursion, no idle junket, but to work and to do those things that the great craft in Wisconsin have upon their minds and hearts that look to the upbuilding and perfection of human society." He then adds, "Masonry depends for its influence among men, for its prestige in the world, for its very life, upon the power that lives and manifests itself in the example of its votaries." Suitable mention is made of Past Grand Master Charles F. Hitchcock, of Illinois. Answers to fifteen questions were reported. These mostly are explanations of their own local law. Many of these are answered with a single word, either yes, or no. Oftentimes this brief reply is hardly satisfactory. He says that a candidate with a part of the little finger of the left hand gone is not eligible to the degrees. Physical perfection is truly essential, but to carry it to the extent involved in this may be classed as extreme. "When does a brother become an actual past master?" was answered by saying, "When regularly elected and duly installed." The committee on jurisprudence, however, made a valuable addition to this answer. These

words were added, "and served for the term for which he was elected" He could not become a past master so long as he was a present master.

PRIZES AND GAMBLING.

In answer to a question as to whether a social given in the lodge room in which prizes are put up to be played for is permissible, the grand master very correctly says, "Any game or play in which something of value, be it money or merchandise, is put up to be played for is a gambling device, a masonic offense and should not be permitted in a masonic lodge room."

The grand master calls attention to the fact that there is no funeral service suitable for cases of cremation. He recommended that steps be taken to prepare one in view of the increasing practice of thus disposing of the human body after death. The representative of Illinois, Past Grand Master Charles C. Rogers, was present and appeared to be on the job every minute of the time. It was the privilege of this writer to speak before the masons of Milwaukee on June 16 last. On this occasion Brother Rogers proved himself to be a courteous gentleman and filled with the proper spirit of fraternity. It was a great pleasure to form his acquaintance and it is hoped that it may be renewed and continued for many years.

EXEMPT FROM TAXATION.

A rather singular feature of Wisconsin civil law is shown in the following report of the committee on the "taxation of masonic property.

Conforming to the resolution of this grand lodge adopted at its last annual communication, relative to the taxation of the property and income of lodges, communications were received by the grand trustees from several of the subordinate lodges; only one, however, to-wit, that of Fond du Lac lodge necessitated any action by the trustees. In the Fond du Lac case, its temple having been placed upon the assessment roll, a hearing was had before the state tax commission, and upon facts shown as to the use to which the property was applied at the time it was so placed upon the assessment roll, the commission considered that it was not taxable at that time and advised that it be stricken from the roll.

From this it appears that the law makers of the Badger state realize that the great institution of freemasonry is in all respects devoted to benevolence and charity. Few states have gone so far along this line. Really masonry is constantly supporting indigent men, dependent widows and helpless orphans. These would otherwise be on the state and their support would call for money raised by taxation. Appreciating this purpose and the accomplishments of masonry, property held by that institution in that state is exempt from taxation.

On report of the committee on foreign correspondence the grand lodge of the Philippine Islands was duly recognized.

Relief of the Needy.

It is well known that Wisconsin has nothing in the shape of Masonic Homes. Its charity and its care for the needy are in and through relief to individuals in distress. The report of the committee on charity shows that on twenty-one cases was bestowed the sum of \$2,650 during the past year. Not all of this was given to individuals. Some went to an orphan asylum, some to the home finding society and some to the "Wisconsin home and farm school" maintained by the consistory of that state. A proposition was made looking to the taking over of this consistory home by the grand lodge. A committee of leading Wisconsin masons was appointed to consider this question and report at the next meeting.

A resolution was offered to increase the per capita amount for the charity fund from 10c to 60c. Even the limited charity bestowed by this state requires a larger sum than has heretofore been collected. In Illinois with two Homes, one for children and one for masons, their wives and widows maintained with every comfort and convenience, the tax, if it may be so called, is but 35c per member. The establishment and maintenance of our homes has not been followed by the direful predictions made in many quarters as to the excessive cost.

REVIEW OF GRAND LODGES.

"Your committee on foreign correspondence again brings up, from the quarries of freemasonry its work for inspection, it being the sixteenth time that we have done so." These are the words of Bro. Aldro Jenks, past grand master, who writes one of the cleanest and best reports that it has been the privilege of this reviewer to read. Brother Jenks cannot refrain from striking the minor chord. He names Drummond of Maine, Cunningham of Ohio, Robbins of Illinois, Speed of Mississippi, Vincil of Missouri, Parvin of Iowa, Matthews of Tenas, Hedges of Montana, Diehl of Utah, and many others "whose writings have served to keep the masonic institution from drifting from its ancient and traditional moorings." This tribute is closed with a brief poem written by Albert Pike.

Illinois for 1912 is thoroughly analyzed and reported. He says that—
He finds himself wishing at times that some of the prolix reports
might have been omitted, or at least very much condensed. We doubt
the necessity of publishing with the grand lodge proceedings the interesting fact that the orphans in the Masonic Home are using skim milk as
a part of their diet, telling how many pigs are to be found in the pens

in the same institution, together with an account of the hay, oats and grain raised and fed, that one patient had cut her thumb, another had scratched her hand and another had suffered a contusion on the leg. However interesting things of this kind are, even thrilling at times, in the interest of brevity it seems to the writer they might as well have been omitted.

Our good brother should bear in mind that the craft of the state can only get information about its great benevolent enterprises through the reports made to the grand lodge. These, it is true, are more in detail at times than would interest the outside reader. However, the information gained is of value to those who are in charge of the business of this large jurisdiction. He thinks the address of the grand master, though lengthy, could not well have been shortened and says that "it was complete in all its details and its volume is due simply to the fact that it deals with freemasonry in large quantities." Brother Jenks does not agree with Grand Master Darrah's attitude toward the laying of corner-stones of churches and adds, "It has been the custom for many years upon request to lay the corner-stone of such a building. We think a church edifice comes as near being a public building as any that can be found."

IN LESS THAN REGULAR TIME.

Very hearty approval is given to the action of Brother Darrah in refusing to grant dispensations for conferring of degrees in less than the regular time upon those who have had every opportunity to become masons. He says that "his decision in this matter will be criticised but by two classes. First the candidate who is thus frustrated in his designs, and second by the lodge who wished to grab the fee for conferring the degrees before the candidate departed from the neighborhood."

Opposition is made to the ruling that there should be as many black as white balls in the ballot spread for the degrees. The ground of opposition is "interfering unnecessarily with the details of lodge management." Brother Jenks heartily approves Grand Master Darrah's attitude on cipher rituals, the "meeting of lodges in the moon,," smoking in open lodge and masonic travesties.

THERE IS ANOTHER SCOTT.

Brother Jenks has his wires sadly crossed. He says "The Report on correspondence is again the work of P.G.M. Owen Scott, who at the time of the annual communication was absent in California hoping for a restoration of health in that mild climate. He was the recipient of fraternal greetings by a special vote of the grand lodge." Thanks, Brother

JENKS, but there are other Scotts. There are two past grand masters of Illinois by that name. The one in California was the venerable, Reverend William H. Scott and not the writer of the report on correspondence. So far as the Illinois correspondent is advised he has not been in California for his health and can see no particular immediate need of going. He is reminded of the remark made by Mark Twain, who had been reported as dead. On appearing before his next audience he told of the report, but assured his hearers that the story had been greatly exaggerated.

Another and more serious misunderstanding on the part of the excellent Wisconsin correspondent exists. Pertaining to the subject of documentary evidence he quotes a portion of what this writer said regarding the new form of receipt of the grand secretary and takes serious issue with the attitude there. If Brother Jenks had taken the trouble to read back a few sentences on page 3 of the proem to last year's correspondence he would have found these words, "Documentary evidence in addition to 'strict trial and due examination' is now demanded by from onehalf to two-thirds of the grand lodges." Had the good brother read what was said in reviewing Iowa, page 62 of last year's report, he would have found these words, "The uniform receipt in no way interferes with 'strict trial and due examination.' It is merely an additional safeguard against those who 'would steal the livery of Heaven to worship the devil in.'" Under Nevada, page 112 of last year's report, Grand Master Davies is quoted on the subject of documentary evidence. He says, "I would insist that in no case is the documentary evidence to be given more than its face value. Every visitor must take the test oath and undergo an examination at the hands of a committee appointed for that purpose by the grand master." The Illinois correspondent added these words, "This is pretty close to the last word in examining visitors. It is safe and sound." In reviewing New Mexico the writer had occasion to refer to this same subject. The explanation there is "strict trial and due examination accompanied by documentary proofs of good standing."

Illinois Agrees with Wisconsin.

Had Brother Jenks taken the trouble to investigate the attitude of the Illinois reviewer on this subject he would not have written the following paragraph;

Now, we submit for Brother Scott's consideration that the mere production of a receipt for dues by a lodge shown by their list to be a regular masonic lodge is not sufficient to entitle a person to be received as a visitor. Such receipts can easily be fabricated, and if they cannot, they are liable to be lost or stolen. The question must further arise, "Can a brother prove himself to be a mason in the time honored ways

of the fraternity?" The fact that a mason of Brother Scott's experience and learning should say that the mere production of a receipt of this kind and the finding that it was issued from a regular lodge entitled the bearer to be received and enjoyed as a brother mason shows the danger attendant upon the use of documentary evidence. Surely Brother Scott must have failed to express himself as fully as he intended to, for he cannot seriously contend for anything of the kind.

Most hearty agreement is had with Brother Jenks on this question. Documentary evidence is only to be used to establish good standing in, and regularity of the lodge. It is not believed, however, that Brother Jenks intended to misstate the attitude of the writer. He simply overlooked the qualifying clauses and explanations which are in accord with the able correspondent of Wisconsin.

Grand master, George B. Wheeler, Eau Claire; grand secretary, William W. Perry, Milwaukee.

WYOMING-1912.

33 Lodges.

38th Annual.

2,825 MEMBERS.

Grand Secretary Kuykendall issues a tasty book of proceedings to record the masonic activities of Wyoming for 1912. Though containing but 202 pages there is much of interest to the reviewer, and those for whom he writes. The session was held at Cheyenne September 4 and 5, 1912. A gain in membership of 206 is reported as the largest ever made.

"Grand lodge instituted December 15, 1874," is a line on the title page which keeps all informed as to this epochal date in masonry in that state. Grand Master HAROLD BANNER falls into line with Grand Master Ashley in presenting an annual "report" and not an "address." See the distinction?

Under decisions, it is held that a man blind in one eye is physically qualified, if his sight is good.

MUST PAY FOR PRIVILEGE.

It is announced that-

Attending church as a lodge cannot be construed as a "strictly masonic ceremony," as provided for in the grand lodge by-laws: Dispensation must be applied for through the secretary, and over the seal of the lodge, accompanied with a fee of \$5.00.

How can it be made any kind of a masonic ceremony, strictly or otherwise? A lodge, going to church in a body with masonic clothing, is performing no masonic duty. It does make a needless show of the paraphernalia of the craft. It takes men of varied shades of sectarianism to the forms and doctrines of one sect. A masonic body is broadly religious but endorses no particular school of religious thought. In Illinois the grand lodge bars the lodge as a body from a church, unless attending a funeral of a brother who receives masonic burial.

Very properly, the grand master refused to permit Wyoming lodge to participate in laying a corner-stone, where the ceremonies were not masonic and in charge of the grand lodge. A lodge under masonic rules never appears in public to help make a crowd or be a part of a show.

Wyoming, with less than 3,000 members, is making heroic effort to accumulate a Masonic Home fund. This is growing and not many years will pass before the goal will be reached.

No Liquor Sellers Accepted.

There is no uncertain tone to the grand lodge's voice on the use of intoxicating liquors. The following was adopted—

Resolved, That no lodge within the jurisdiction of the grand lodge of the state of Wyoming, A.F. and A.M., and holding its charter therefrom, shall receive a petition for any degree from or confer any degree upon any person engaged in the business of selling intoxicating liquors as a beverage and that hereafter no member of any lodge aforesaid shall engage in said business under the penalty of expulsion from said lodge;

Provided, however, that this resolution shall not apply to or affect members who may now be engaged in such business so long as they continue therein.

SOUND AND SANE.

On the question of the right of persons from non-recognized jurisdictions to visit Wyoming lodges the grand lodge was equally emphatic and correct. The following was adopted—

Resolved, That hereafter no member of a lodge in this grand jurisdiction shall hold masonic intercourse with any man claiming to be a mason belonging to any lodge under the jurisdiction of the grand orient of France or that of any grand lodge or grand orient which has not been recognized by this grand lodge and any member or lodge disregarding this prohibition shall be subject to the highest masonic penalty under our laws.

This has the right ring. There are only two kinds of masons—spurious or clandestine and regular. The grand lodge by formal recognition determines the question of regularity. The grievance committee was jobless and so reported. Too much harmony for appeals or grievances

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Comes from the trained hand of Grand Secretary Kuykendall. For some unexplained reason, Illinois was like the man who fell out of a balloon. It was not in it. No review of our grand lodge appears. In his conclusion Brother Kuykendall writes exhaustively of the relation of the "rites" to masonry. One of the strange things he says is this—

The grand lodges of Wyoming and other jurisdictions (only a few) have adopted resolutions favorable to the supreme councils of the Scottish Rite of the Northern and Southern Jurisdictions in preference to the Cerneau Rite, and we have never deviated from defending said supreme councils, on the ground that having first occupied a state the cerneau rite, even if legitimate, should be barred therefrom so as to prevent friction among members of our craft lodges which might occur if they had the opportunity to become members of both rites.

Why should any writer, in reviewing grand lodges for the benefit of the masons of his grand lodge, defend other organizations, though they see fit to plant themselves on masonry? If the Eagles, the Owls or the Elks should decide to accept no persons for membership, except master masons, would that justify our good brother in defending them? Masonry and the grand lodges maintaining it have a man's job in doing their own work. They have no time and should have no inclination to follow after the strange gods of Cerneauism, supreme councils or other rites calling themselves masonic. Brother Kuykendall writes ably and well of the standards which bar from recognition Belgium, Swiss Alpina, German bodies, etc.

Grand master, William Pugh, Evanston; grand secretary, W. L. Kuykendall, Saratoga.

BRITISH COLUMBIA—1913.

69 Lodges.

42ND ANNUAL.

6,344 MEMBERS.

Just as the report of this committee is ready for the press the proceedings of this Canadian body come to hand. The book is handsomely printed and quite American in style. Little of the British appearance is found. It is profuse in pictures of past grand masters in full dress, peculiar to the British bodies. A large number of "emergent communications" are printed with full lists of officers. These are concerned in laying corner-stones and dedicating halls. The annual meeting at New Westminster began on the 19th day of June, 1913. The grand master's

address is a brief and business like document. It is concerned almost exclusively in the mere doings of the year. A large number of official visits is reported. The grand master says that he visited 61 out of the 63 warranted lodges. Truly he was a busy man and no one can complain that he was not active in promoting the interests of the various lodges.

GOT CAUGHT.

Grand Master John M. Rudd says-

I regret to report that one of the lodges in this jurisdiction admitted as a visitor, and later as a member, by affiliation, a member of a clandestine body. Upon enquiry on the spot, I arrived at the conclusion that this was done entirely through carelessness, and lack of knowledge as to what a clandestine body was. Feeling that the secretary of the lodge was the most culpable party concerned in this grave error, his suspension was ordered for one month. I hope that this case will be the means of making all lodges bear in mind the absolute necessity for every care and safeguard to be exercised before admitting visitors, and for committees on applications for affiliation to individually examine credentials before recommending a petition to their lodge.

This demonstrates that great care is needed not only in British Columbia, but in all parts of the country. The attempt has been so well made to counterfeit masonry that they are almost able to deceive the very elect themselves. The address of Rev. J. S. Cleland, grand chaplain, is given in full. Inasmuch as he took three texts, it partook largely of the nature of a sermon. However, the subject matter is worthy of place in this record of the year's work. Representatives of other grand lodges were accorded a cordial reception. Illinois seems not to have been represented.

DECLINED TO BE GRAND MASTER.

A rather unusual thing took place in the election of officers. On the first vote Bro. A. H. Skey was elected grand master. This brother appreciated the high compliment paid him, but said "that the exigencies of his private business would prevent him from giving it the attention which it deserved." For this reason he was compelled to decline the position. The grand lodge then proceeded to elect Bro. William Henderson as grand master. Rarely, if ever before within the observation of this writer, has anyone declined to accept the exalted position of grand master when elected to that place.

THE COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE

Presents its report through the chairman, Bro. W. A. DeWolf Smith. This is an extensive report, covering 122 pages. It is a source of regret that the proceedings of Illinois were not reviewed. Notice of this grand lodge comes from the report of South Australia. This is a paragraph in

answer to the Illinois reviewer's reference to the burden of titles inflicted upon grand officers in Britsh grand lodges. Brother Sмітн adds this comment—

Our sympathies are entirely with South Australia in this matter. The rapidity with which past grand masters are turned out in the United States and Canada has a tendency to lower the dignity of the grand master's office and does not promote the best interests of the craft.

There is no disposition to quarrel with British Columbia or South Australia. The only purpose this writer has in referring to such matters is that the brethren of Illinois may have brought to them something of what goes on in other countries different from our own. If British Columbia desires to load down the officers with a full page of titles, no one can complain. In America the simple title of a mason is the greatest dignity that can be conferred upon a man.

About Non-Affiliates.

The only other reference is under South Carolina and this pertains to the comment made on non-affiliates. In the practice of our southern neighbor information is given that "with us an unaffiliate is not in good standing, nor can an affiliate hold any masonic intercourse whatever with a non-affiliate." Brother SMITH then adds—

Even the great authority Mackey, who was a South Carolinian mason, does not go quite so far as that. He holds that non-affiliation is a masonic offence, and that a brother who persists in remaining unaffiliated may be tried for that offence, and suspended or even expelled. Mackey, however, does not claim that an unaffiliated mason is outside the pale until he has been brought to trial and convicted, so that the mere fact of non-affiliation would not make it improper for an affiliated mason to hold masonic intercourse with him. As a matter of fact, Mackey is not clear on the relative positions of affiliates and non-affiliates, for he admits that a non-affiliate is in good standing in the craft though not in his lodge, and if he is in good standing in the craft it is not apparent how he can be committing a masonic offence by remaining in that condition.

Perhaps the happy medium adopted in Illinois is the safe one. A man comes into masonry of his own free will and accord. He should be permitted to retire in the same way. If he desires to take a dimit and remain non-affiliated that is his privilege. Our law gives him one year in which he may enjoy lodge advantages. After that if he remains voluntarily non-affiliated these are withdrawn. The feeling is that if a man does not desire the privileges of being a member of a lodge, he should not expect to receive them. There has been a class of masons, however, that for the small sum required in the payment of dues would take a dimit and yet expect to enjoy all the privileges of the lodge. It is this class that the legislation in Illinois is intended to weed out. This is un-

doubtedly the happy medium between South Carolina and where dimitted masons continue to have full lodge privileges without remaining members.

In his conclusion Brother Smith says "that the York grand lodge of Mexico continues to press its claims for recognition. The only ground for any such claim, so far as we can discover, is the fact that it is composed of citizens of the United States." The British Columbia reviewer further says under the head of York grand lodge that "masonry in Mexico has had an eventful history, Brother Seamon says, and 'there are breaks in our records too.' We should say so!"

Grand master, William Henderson, Victoria; grand secretary, W. A. DeWolf Smith, New Westminster.

NEBRASKA—1913.

255 Lodges.

56TH ANNUAL.

20,144 MEMBERS.

Just at the last minute. The writer could not resist the temptation to review Nebraska for 1913 at the risk of disturbing the printer's equilibrium. The usual handsome volume of the meeting held at Omaha June 3-4, 1913, carries an interesting message. The annual address of Grand Master Cain is unusually lengthy and from a distance appears to be quite unnecessarily so. However, if it suits him and them, it should suit outsiders. The address is well written and gives complete information regarding the business of the year. Daniel H. Wheeler, for almost a half century the senior past grand master of Nebraska passed to his reward. Thanks are expressed to various grand masters for courtesies shown. Among these appears the name of Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, of Illinois.

A SUCCESSFUL HOME.

The Masonic Home is reported to be giving excellent results. Amendment to the articles of incorporation was suggested, adding the words "or member of the order of the Eastern Star." If adopted, this change will open the doors of the Home to members of the Eastern Star as well as to master masons. A movement is on foot to establish a home for masonic orphans and progress is reported. On May 20, 1913, there were 50 members of the Home—22 women, 25 men, 2 boys and 1 girl. The Home is managed as a stock corporation. There are 678 shares of stock of which the grand lodge owns 456, the grand chapter 90, the grand

commandery 44 and grand council 13. It will thus be seen that the grand lodge is practically the entire owner of the Home. An appropriation of \$6,000 was made to purchase additional stock. The president of the Home reported that he had arranged with the grand chapter of the Eastern Star to take the cottage belonging to the Home and furnish it and care for the children there. This was to be an experiment, but it is easily predicted that in the hands of the Eastern Star it will be a success.

A MASONIC FRAT.

The grand master refers to the Acacia fraternity, a college society, admitting only master masons. After being familiar with its work he says that "I desire to go on record as being an enthusiastic and staunch supporter of this unique and superb fraternity. It is organized somewhat along the lines of the Greek letter college fraternities, except that its membership is confined to master masons in good standing, who are in college life, both students and instructors being eligible to membership."

But few decisions were made and these were so largely of local character as not to require attention here. Nebraska still retains the anachronism of requiring a ballot for each of the three degrees. In most grand lodges one ballot admits to all. If a man is worthy to be initiated he is equally worthy to be advanced. With, the provision for objection in most grand jurisdictions brethren can easily protect themselves from the development of unworthiness unknown at the time of initiation. The grand master recommends that the law be changed according to modern usage.

WOULD NOT ENDORSE.

Endorsement of "The Masonic World Benevolent and Protective Association" was refused. Such enterprises while they may be worthy in themselves are not proper for masonic endorsement. Grand Master CAIN expressed his appreciation of the sacrifice of his father, a past grand master, in relieving him from business duties that he might more thoroughly devote himself to his work at the head of the fraternity. Nebraska and Iowa have agreed on the waiver of jurisdiction along the state line. It is doubtful if the grand lodge has power to waive jurisdiction. It is the right of the lodges and should not be taken away by the superior body. The representative of Illinois, Bro. George H. Thummel. was recorded as present. Nebraska has provided for the receipt for dues certified by the grand secretary as documentary evidence. This is in line with many other grand lodges. The opinion is here advanced that the form of receipt is entirely too long and cumbersome. One portion is written in Latin in addition to the English. The receipt prepared by Illinois appears to be much more desirable because it is small and easily carried in the pocket. It appears to have every advantage of the lengthy and elaborate form prescribed in Nebraska.

THE REPORT ON FOREIGN GRAND LODGES

Was submitted by Bro. Charles J. Phelps for the committee. A brief summary is given of the work of the various jurisdictions. Illinois for 1912 is under review. Little appears in this except the mere summarizing of what was done.

Grand master, Alpha Morgan, Broken Bow; grand secretary, Francis E. White, Omaha.

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP OF MASONIC LODGES

under obedience of Grand Lodges with which Illinois is in fraternal correspondence. Statistics are compiled from most reliable sources obtainable. For information, the membership of grand bodies not recognized by Illinois is also given.

	1912	1913
Alabama	24,361	25,471
Alberta	4,498	5,166
Arizona	2,014	2,118
Arkansas	21,741	20,534
British Columbia	5,776	6,344
California	48,836	48,315
Canada	48,500	50,721
Colorado	14,917	15,532
Connecticut	23,684	24.281
Cuba	3,038	3,038
Delaware	3,224	3,285
District of Columbia	9,111	7,317
England (Estimated)	210,000	210,000
Florida	10,131	10,794
Georgia	35,323	36,806
Holland	4,600	4,600
Idaho	3,568	3,844
Illinois	115,000	122,000
Indiana	60,168 45,997	63,035
Iowa	100,000	47,585 100,000
Ireland (Estimated)	37,305	38,877
Kentucky	37,356	38,782
Louisiana	14,547	15,175
Maine	29,345	29,872
Manitoba	5,967	6,455
Maryland	14,431	15,291
Massachusetts	60.844	63,290
Michigan	68,396	71,752
Minnesota	26,543	27,446
Mississippi	18,931	19.103
Missouri	53,218	55,737
Montana	6,465	6,977
Nebraska	18,507	19,269
Nevada	1,771	1,886
New Brunswick	3,044	3,177
New Hampshire	10,480	10,620
New Jersey	34,855	36,649
New Mexico	2,799	2,987
New York	173,713	179,927
New Zealand	11,588	12,309
North Carolina	21,479	22,214
North Dakota	8,006	8,358
Nova Scotia	6,223	6,456

Ohio	82.833	86,493
Oklahoma (Estimated)	20,000	20,000
Oregon	11,914	12,315
Pennsylvania	100,765	105,242
Philippine Islands	Membership	not given
Prince Edward Island	737	741
Quebec	6,633	7,359
Õueensland	2,100	2 100
Rhode Island	7,811	8,117
Saskatchewan	4,049	5,090
Scotland (Estimated)	100,000	100,000
South Australia	4,424	4,904
South Carolina	13,772	13,772
South Dakota	9,701	10,221
Tasmania	1,445	1,445
Tennessee	25,587	27,242
Texas	53,190	56,071
Utah	1,984	2,081
United Grand Lodge of Victoria	11,728	12,310
United Grand Lodge of New South Wales	14,819	17,524
Vermont	13,443	13 610
Virginia	22,698	23,392
Washington	15,676	17,119
West Australia	3,733	3,788
West Virginia	14,874	15,768
Wisconsin	27,233	28,082
Wyoming	2,639	2,825
Total in United States and Foreign Countries	2,034,088	2,103,066
Net Increase for the year		68,918
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APPENDIX PART II

LODGE DIRECTORY

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF POST OFFICES

LIST OF LODGES BY DISTRICTS

TABULATED STATEMENT

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

LODGE DIRECTORY.

Showing alphabetical list of Lodges and Postoflice, name of Worshipful Master and Secretary, and time of Stated Meeting.
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	NAME OF SECRETARY.	Andrew C. Metzger., A. M. Bassford	A. D. Underwood	:	le	Thomas Young,	4649 N. Robey St.	J. M. Whitcomb	S. P. Ingram.	Louis Hoobler	Will. A. Lot illet.	F. E. Lowell	. W. Whiteside	Thos. Robertson	J. Fred Temple	I. J. Case	gh	:	Roy Wilkins	J. W. McQueen	Harry D. Davisson	W. Dulte	Albert H. Hills	L. W. Taylor	Isidor Lang	J. C. Burgoyne.		:	Mrm H Thomas	Olyde Cadwell	1326 Masonic Temple	The state of the s
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596	962 Ben Franklin		Chicago	Myron P. Graham	11. W. Boas	
818	818 Ben Hur	_	Chicago	Wm. W. LeGros	Chas. C. Reeves	Thursday evening of each week
282	297 Benjamin	33		Geo. W. Cyrus	Harry S. Blood	First and third Tuesdays of each month
500	64 Benton	. بر		Henry Hudson	J. Smith Moore	First and third Mondays of each month.
406	406 Bethalto	• •	Bethalto	John G. Klein	Wm. S. Elllott	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month Saturday on or before full moon
388	884 Bethany	æ 9	B-thany	Edgar N. Six	Thos. H. Crowder	Thursday first of each month
238	238 Black Hawk		Hamilton	C. P. Lindsey	E. F. Jolidon	Second and tourth Tuesdays of each month Saturday on or after full moon
393	Blair	<u>.</u>	Chicago	W. E. Anderson	Curtis Sinson	First, third, and fifth Wednesdays of each month
233	233 Blandinsville	. 23			J. E. Huston	First and third Tuesdays of each month
2/1	Blaney	-	Cnicago	A. F. Andresen	K. K. Levis	second and tourth Wednesdays of each month
458	458 Blazing Star	47	Carrier Mil's	Geo. B Dodds	R. J. Sneed	First and third Fridays.
148	148 Bloomlield	£	Chrisman		Ś	Saturday on or before full moon and 3 wks after
£ 8	43 Bloomington	- 5g	Bloomington		W. H. Brown	First and third Thursdays of each month
000	682 Blue Mound	7. 6	Blue Mound		J. D. Bottrell	Saturday on or before full moon
978	846 Bluffs.	÷ ÷	Bluffs	Homer Filey	J. E. Korty	Thursday on or belore full moon
-	Bodley	£	Quincy	Erde W. Beatty	Allen E. Kidd	First and third Mondays of each month
876 6	Bohemia	-	Chicago	Otto Polanek	Chas. J. Novak	Every Friday
412	412 Bollen	. 13		J. S. Heller	John C. Meyer	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month
885	Boulevard	4	Chicago	Oscar D. Olson	Albert Laub	First and third Thursdays of each month
486	186 Bowen	55	Bowen	W. T. Gillis	E. H. Fleming	First and third Fridays of each month.
857	Boyd D.	=	Kirkland	H. L. Booth.	M. P. Murphey	First and third Fridays of each month
2.5	Bradford	: ::	_	Cyrus Bocock		Thursday on or before full moon
100	Israidwood	17	-	J. W. Patterson		First and third Thursdays of each month
85.40	854 Brighton Park	.	Chicago	James Maclaughlan.	Harry Smith	First and third Tuesdays of each month Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
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791	791 Broadlands	. 58		:	:	*Saturday after full moon and two weeks later.
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898	963 Broughton	47			John Irvin	rist and third weatherings of each month
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751	751 Lounsbury.		-	Barrington	A. T. Ulitsch	E. E. Myers	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month
30 G	28 Lovington.		× 20	Lovington	A. F. Riley.	Walter Austin	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month
65	32 Mackinaw.		e 6	Mackinaw	Roy H Pepper	Geo. A. Field	Saturday, third and first Monday
17	Macomb	:	2 C	Macomb	A. A. Jones	M. N. Shaw	First Friday of each month
560	Madison		<u> </u>	New Douglas	A. E. Smith	H. E. Dick	Friday on or before full moon
103	Magnolia		50	Magnoha	S B, Mitchell	C. A. Fleeman	First and third Saturdays of each month Monday on or before full moon
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476	Manito		31	Manito	Frank II. Franzlan	R. L. Mahr	First Wednesday of each mouth
133	Manlius	:	c š	Mansfield	A. M. Thompson.	S. W. Johnson	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
0.13			21	Maple Park		Rob't. T. Emberson	Second and fourth Wednesday
195	Maple wood		7	Chicago	Geo. A. Hinkl∘yı	W. M. Hurin	
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530	Maquon	:	2. 5.	Maduon	G. C. Slicklet	A. E. Waite	Saturday on or before full moon
7 3	Marcelline.		3 O	Marengo	A. M. Ushorne	W. C Woodard	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
6 10 6 10	Marine		. .	Marine	Louis Brandes	Chas. Loos	Wednesday on or before full moon
28			÷,	Salem	L. O. Vogt	Will S. Slack	First and Inira Wednesdays of each month
82		:	#	Marissa	F. J. Wagner	K. H. Campbell	First Salurday of each month
454		:	Ş; ;	Maroa	Jas. H. Sterling	Travis Rednian	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
7		:	2 2	Marsellies	Burns D. Sm th	Geo. G. Purdume	Second Wednesday
25.0	s Marshan Martin	:	3 =	East Dubugue	Sam'l K. Caldwell	R. H. Heller	First Thursday of each month
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212		:	∓ 8	Mason	C. E. Mesnard	G. C. Norris	Wednesday on of perore run moon
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65.5	Matteon	:	: X	Mattoon	S. B. Patheal	G. S. McPherson	First and third Mondays of each month
25	May		46	Norris City	Chas. Wakeford	Ira Shain	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month
199	4 Mayo		4	Winterrowd	T. J. Dunn	Jas. A. McCorkle	Saturday on of Delofe lun moon
698	Maywood	:	77.	Maywood	M. E. Brigham	Hugo W Smith	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
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6 3	McLean	:	200	McLean.	Wm. N. Ewing	S. B. VanNess	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
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Ŧ!	Mendon	:	33	Mendon	J. K. Urech	O P Harris	Second Tuesday of each month
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277		e	48	New Burnside	:	J. M. Howerton	
621		:	£ 5	New Canton	:	S. A. Dutcher	Saturday on or before full moon or each month
336	New Columbia		9	Gannlown	Malcalm Henry	Marie	Saturday on or before full moon
453	New Hartiord	ď	3 5	New Hartioru	:	M. Mdys	Saturday of of Delote full moon
250	New Halland	:		New Holland		Andrew Peters	First Friday of each month
690	New Hone		58	Livingston		J. H. Davison	Saturday on or before full moon
369	Newman		800	Newman	ir.	C. E. Donglas	Friday on or before full moon and 2 weeks later
62	New Salem.		33	New Salem	J. E. Martin	Sam'l L. Greggs	Saturday on or before full moon
216	Newton	:	9	Newton	:	Ennis Parkhurst	First and third Mondays of each month
7.	Newtown	:		Collison	Endicott	Rob't L. Davis	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month
874	Nifong	:	£	Modesto	:::	C. C. Coots	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.
362	Noble		96	Noble	:	Isaac Stark	Thursday on or before in I moon
456	Nokomis	:	3.6	Nokomis	:	A. J. Willistord	Wednesday on or before full moon
073	Normal.	:	္င္ပဲ	Chicago	Chas W Hibbard	C C Cannt	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
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937	337 North Shore	:	5	Chicago	:	Clinton E. Cooper	Second and fourth Tuesday
691	Moston		01	Osbare	3817 Kokeby St.	E E Bute	First and third Thursdays of each month
161	Norton	:	2 ox	N Crvetal Lake	Arthur H. Truav	Wm. Freeman	First and third Saturdays of each month
910	210 Oakland		300	Oakland		H. J. Rutherford	Friday on or before full moon
514	544 Oak Park		က	Oak Park	:	Rob't L. Sias	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
649	349 Oblong City.	:	40	Oblong	R. M. Dalrymple	O. C. Caldwell	Saturday on or before new and full moons
49	49 Occidental	:	9	Ottawa	:	Wm. H. Shafer	First and third Mondays of each month
300	990 Oconee	:	37	Oconee	C. LittleJohn	C. P. Dietenthaler	Wednesday on before Inil moon
405	02 Odell	:	<u>ə</u> ç		W. H. Blanchard	WH. D. Imprie	Second and Iourth Wednesdays of each month
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754	754 Orden		30		: :	J. L. Stavton.	Saturday on or before full moon
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98	38 Olive Branch		0 k	Danville		Chas. M. Karns	First and third Tuesdays of each month
140	Olney	Ī	9	Olney	::	Wm H. Gilbert	Third Monday of each month
864	864 Olympia	:	~	Chicago	Chas. P. Manwaring	A. W. Burt	Tuesdays, first and third
753	723 Omaha		7	Omaha	:	H. P. Blackard	Wednesdays, second and fourth
305	305 Onarga	:	<u>8</u> :	Onarga		G. F. Clarke	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
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861	Sorento	98 31 	Sorento	Jas. E. Long	T. W. Kinzer	Monday on or before full moon
662	South Park	· m		John C. Behrer.	Jas. S. Sheafe	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
44	141 Sparland	15		:	N. W. Macon	First and third Wednesdays of each month
873	4 Springneid 873 Standard	 ĕ.º.	Springheld	n	Thos L Jarrett	First Monday of each month First, third and fifth Saturdays of each month.
863	863 St. Andrews	П	Chicago	913 E. Wash. St. Albert Davis	R. A. Stearns, Jr	Second and fourth Fridays of each month
200	Star	57	Hooneston	3101 S. Park Av.	Why Swanson	Second and fourth Pridays of each month
166	66 Star in the East	С		Wm. E. Jaycox	: :	First and third Mondays of each month
501	501 Stark	- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	LaFayette	F. T. Gelvin	Jos. G. Raed	Saturday on or before full moon
865	865 St. Cecelia			: :		First and third Tuesdays of each month
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25.5	24 St. Clair.	; ;	St. Elmo	Louis E. Wangelin	A. M. Wolleson	First Monday of each month.
913	912 Stellar	:2	_	H. B. Fox	P. R. Weedon	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
5+1	541 Stewardson			:	R. E. Voris	Wednesday on or before full moon
33 5	92 Stewart	± 3	Geneseo	Bernhard Lacher	Frank F. Pierce	Second Friday of each month
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953	353 Stone Arch	. m	Cypress.		J. M. Brodley	Fourth Monday in each month
495	195 Stone Fort	73	Stone Fort	F. M. Bynam	George Russel	Sat. on or before full moon and third Mon. after
200	ood St. Faul	2 2 2	Springheld	Jay T. French	A. E. Converse	Fourth Monday of each month
905	Streator	2 2	Streator	Wm. C. Flick	Wm C Jones	Second Tuesday of each month
T.	Stronghurst	?}			Jas. C. Flatley	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
349	Sublette	€ 5	-	Harris in Paige	G. W. Paige	First and third Tuesdays of each month
764	Sullivan	<u> </u>	Sullivan	Joe B. Michael	F. J. Thompson	Wednesday on or before full moon
43.5		F 63	Harristown	1.1 Cross	Waller Simuls	Finitsday on or before full moon
334	Sumner	9	Sumner	Frank S. Westall	D. C. Stanger	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
85	Sunbeam	22		Wm. F. Lossman	Chas. E. Clause	First and third Fridays of each month
134	Sycamore	= :	Sycamore	O. P. Herrick	C. M. Arntzen	Third Friday of each month
93.50 20.50	338 Table Grove	F 2	Table Grove	ira J. Barker	Nicholas Notson	Wednesday, on or before
202	Tamaroa		Tamaroa	David M Hartman	J. H. Shipp	Weinesday on or before full moon
355	51 Tarbolton		Fairbury	Richard Thorne	W. W. Compton	First and third Thursdays of each month
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Ludlow	Pera	57.1		Milledgeville	Milledgeville	345	~.
Lyndon	Lyndon	96.5	Oct. 4 1877	Milton	Milton	67.5	Oct. 6, 1858
McHenry	McHenry	158	 	Minonk	Rob Morris		
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Manito	Manito	129		Morton	Groveland	352	·~·
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New Boston	New Boston	55	Oct. 4. 1	1×4×	Owaneco	Locust	633	Oct. 5, 1869	
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New Salem	New Salem	∞ 31 32	_	856	Paxton	Faxton	2		864
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POSTOFFICE	NAME	o.	_	CHARTERED.	POSTOFFICE	NAME	NO.	CHARTERED.
Springfield	Springfield	4	Oct, 2	8, 1839	Tunnell Hill	Beynoldsburg	119	Oct. 5, 1864
Springfield	Central	1	Oct. 4.	1849	Tuscola	Tuscola	2	Oct. 2, 1860
Springfield	Tvrian	333	Oct. 2		Union	Orion	358	Ξ
Springfield	St. Paul's	30	Oct. 3	3, 1866	Upper Alton	Franklin	35	_
Spring Hill	13ollen	415	Oct. 5	_	Urbana	Urbana	157	.,
Spring Valley	S. M. Dalzell	802	Oct.	5, 1891	Utica	Utica	828 828	Oct. 2, 190)
Staunton	Staunton	12	Oct. 2	.:	Valier	Goode	744	
Steeleville	Alma	197	Oct.	3, 1866	Vandalia	Temperance	91	<u>.</u>
Sterling	Rock River	$\tilde{e}1\tilde{e}$	Oct. 5, 1	6981	Venice	Triple		
Stewart	Alto	305	Oct. 7	, 1908	Vermilion	Stratton		Oct. 5, 1864
Stewardson	Stewardson	7.	Oct. 1,	. 1867	Vermont	Vermont		Oct. 4, 1852
St. Francisville.	Steller	<u> </u>	Oct. 13,		Verona	Verona		Oct. 3, 1878
Stockton	Plum River	554	Oct. 1,		Versailles	Versailles		Oct. 6, 1851
Stone Fort	Stone Fort	495	Oct. 3,	_	Victoria	A. T. Darrah		Oct. 8, 189)
Streator	Streator	60,	Oct.	6, 1868	Vienna	Vienna	20	Oct. 2, 1854
Stronghurst	Stronghurst	2	Oct.	6, 1896	Villa Grove	Villa Grove	£	Oct. 3, 1906
Sublette	Sublette	349	Oct. 3	., 1860	Viola	Viola	27.7	Oct. 6, 1868
Sullivan	Sullivan	19.	Oct. 3	1883	Virden	Virden	191	
Summerfield	Summerfield	<u>;</u>	Oct. 3,	. 1860	Virginia	Virginia	544	
Sumner	Sumner	334	Oct. 3	; 1860	Waldron	Aroma	37.8	
Sycamore	Sycamore	134	Oct. 4,	, 1853	Walnut	Walnut	2	
Table Grove	Table Grove	686	Oct.		Walpole	Tuscan	630	Oct. 5, 1869
Tamaroa	Tamaroa	504	Oct. 7.	_	Walshville	Walshville	475	ຕ້
Tampico	Yorktown	655	Oct. 4,	, 1870	Waltham	Waltham	3.5	Oct 8, 1863
Taylorville	Mound	33	Oct. 5,	, 1852	Warren	Jo Daviess	27.8	Oct. 6, 1858
Temple Hill.	Temple Hill	[0,	Oct. 8,	1, 1873	Warrensburg	Warrensburg	959	Oct. 15, 1913
Thompsonville	Akin	£ 1	Oct. 4,	. 1877	Warsaw	Warsaw	257	Oct. 6, 1858
Thomson	Thomson	555	Oct 1,	, 1867	Washburn	Washburn	<u>-</u>	· .
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Toledo	Toledo	÷	Oct. 3,	. 1894	Waterloo	Morris	x	Oct. 3, 1889
Tolona	Tolono	3.5	OCL. 8,	, 1853	Watseka	Watseka	944	
Tonica	Tonica	500	Oct. 1, 1		Watson	Watson	99	ج. ج
Lonion	Touton	3.	Oct. 3	, 1850	Wanconda	Wauconda	868	
Towanda	Towanda	1	Oct. 1.	_	Waukegan	Waukegan	<u>~</u>	Oct. 4, 1849
Tower Hill	Tower Hill	£6.	Oct. 3	_	Waverly	Waverly	200	<u>.</u>
Tremont	Tremont	1 63	Oct. 3	_	Wayne City	Orel	759	е -
Trenton	Trenton	<u> </u>	Oct. 6,	_	Waynesville	Wayne	22	Oct. 3, 1855
Trilla	Muddy Point	306	Oct. 5,	. 1861	Weldon	Weldon	91.	Oct. 3, 1876
Troy	Troy	200	Oct. 6	, 1868	Wenona	Wenona	344	Oct. 3, 1860
Troy Grove	Shiloh	397	Oct. 5	, 1864	West Chicago	Amity	472	Oct. 3, 1866

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LIST OF LODGES BY DISTRICTS. FIRST DISTRICT.

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Maxwell Levy, 1632 W. Kinzie St., Chicago.

SECOND DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	Place of Meeting.
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947 Ke	ritasnmore	Chicago	W. Chicago Mas. Temple 6405 N. Clark St 6734 Wentworth Ave

Harry W. Harvey, D.D.G.M., 7211 University Ave., Chicago

THIRD DISTRICT.

1.0.	Name.	Location.	Place of Meeting.
141	Garden City	Chicago	Temple, State & Randolph.
			Temple, State and Randolph
			29 W. Monroe St
540	Oak Park	Oak Park	Oak Park, Ill
662	South Park	Chicago	Washington Ave. and 55th
716	Calumet	Blue Island	Blue Island, Ill
765	Palace	Chicago	Pullman, 113th St. nr Watt
779	Wright's Grove		N. Clark St. and Belmont.
	Kenwood		4229 Cottage Grove Ave
832	Harvey		Harvey, Ill
851	Chicago Heights	Chicago Heights.	Chicago Heights, Ill
	St. Cecelia		Temple, State and Randolph
	John B. Sherman		47th St. and Ashland Ave
892	Constellation		3518 N. Marshfield Ave
	Edgewater		4737 Broadway
	Welcome		Temple, State and Raudolph
927	Candida		Temple, State and Randolph.
		Chicago	W. Chicago Masonic Temple
962	Ben Franklin	Chicago	4240 Irving Park Blvd

Harry A. Dever, D.D.G.M., 6925 N. Ashland Blvd., Chicago.

FOURTH DISTRICT.

160 Waubansia Chicago Temple, State 310 Dearborn Chicago 3120 Forest Av 422 Landmark Chicago 4229 Cottage G 557 Lessing Chicago 1504 N. Clark	Meeting.
669 Herder Chicago 1377 Blue Island 717 Arcana Chicago W. Chicago Ma 767 Trlluminar Chicago 2941 91st St. 780 Siloam Chicago 12 S. Oakley I 804 Kensington Chicago 11037 Michigar 836 Windsor Park Chicago 75th St. and Co 854 Brighton Park Chicago 2456 W. 38th St. 869 Maywood Maywood Mas. Hall, 19th 882 Boulevard Chicago 55th and Halst 894 Utopia Chicago 9231 Cottage C 907 Ancient Craft Chicago 51st and Michi 917 Concord Chicago 51st & Michiga 931 Wilmette Willmette 1217 Wilmette 954 Progressive Chicago 3349 W. North	& Randolph ve Frove Ave St Ave asonic Temple Blvd. n Ave oles Ave St h & St. Chas. ted Sts. Grove Ave. igan Blvd. an Blvd. Ave

T. M. Avery, D.D.G.M., Chamber of Commerce Bldg., Chicago.

FIFTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	Place of Meeting.
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			Temple, State and Randolph

David D. King, D.D.G.M., 3002 Lake Park Ave., Chicago.

SIXTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Loc	ation.	Place of Meeting.
209 W. 314 Pal 478 Ple 611 Lin 686 Gar 731 Har 770 Lac 784 Bea 813 Hea 813 Wo	B. Warren	Chicago Palatine Chicago Chicago Chicago Chicago LaGrang	ie	Temple, State and Randolph Palatine, Masonic Hall 12 So. Oakley Blvd 1500 N. Clark St California Ave. and Madison 2939 E. 91st St. 5th & Burlington, LaGrange Norwood Park, Masonic H. 3638 Armitage 64th St. and University Av.
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Wm. H. Bled, D.D.G.M., 6048 Langley Ave., Chicago.

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Loc	ation.	Place of Meeting.
211 Cle	veland	Chicago		Masonic Temple
	ir			29 W. Monroe St
	ne			3120 Forest Ave
	stone			1500 N. Clark St
690 Eng	lewood	Chicago		6734 Wentworth Ave
	eside			3120 Forest Ave
774 Lak	e View	Chicago		Central Masonic Temple
	urn Park			79th and Lowe Ave
815 Lav	vn	Chicago		3520 W. 63rd St
842 Fide	es	Chicago		119th and Wallace
862 Riv	erside	Riversid	e	Riverside Town Hall
	liam McKinley			uditorium Hall
889 Am	erica	Chicago		29 W. Monroe St
	en Park			6319 S. Ashland Ave
	on			1555 E. 63rd St
923 Eas	t Gate	Chicago		Temple, State and Randolph
	emia			W. Chicago Masonic Temple
957 Pro	spect	Chicago		2610 S. 41st Ave

C. F. Newkirk, D.D.G.M., 4313 Hermitage Ave., Chicago.

EIGHTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location	County.
63 St.	Marks	Woodstock	McHenry
	rengo		
	chmond		
	Henry		
	nda		
	rvard		
358 Ori	on	Union	McHenry
604 He	bron	Hebron	McHenry
960 Als	ronguin	Algonauin	McHenry
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C J. Wightman, D.D.G.M., Gray's Lake, Ill.

NINTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
60 Bel 575 Cap 74 Ro 75 Ro 102 Ro 145 A. 146 Sta 173 Che 302 Du 633 E.	videre	Belvidere Capr n Rockton Roscoe Rockford Pecatonica Rockford Cherry Valley Durand Rockford	Boone Boone Winnebago
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C. L. Snyder, D.D.G.M., Freeport.

TENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
905 Ha 36 Ka 273 Mj 278 Jo 491 Ma 554 Plu 859 Ap 188 Cy 345 Mi	nover .vanaugh ners Daviess um River ple River rus	Hanover Elizabeth Galena Warren East Dubuque Stockton Apple River Mt. Carroll Milledgeville	Jo Daviess Carroll Carroll
423 La 490 Sh 559 Th	nark	Lanark	Carroll Carr

J. L. Brearton, D.D.G M., Savana.

ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.			County.
134 Syc	amore	Sycamore	De	Kalb	
	Kalb		De	Kalb	
283 Met	eor	Sandwich	De	Kalb	
288 Gen	oa	Genoa	De	Kalb	
301 Hln	ckley	Hinckley	De	Kalb	
374 Sha	bbona	Shabbona	De	Kalb	
402 Kisi	nwaukee	Kingston	De	Kalb	
646 Son	nonauk	Somonauk	De	Kalb	
728 Wat	terman	Waterman	De	Kalb	
857 Boy	d D	Kirkland	De	Kalb	
96 Sam	uel H. Davis	Mt. Morris	Ogle		
187 Mys	tic Tie	Polo	Ogle	e	
244 Hor	lcon	Rochelle	Ogle	e	
274 Byr	on	Byron	Ogle	e	
320 Cres	ston	Creston	Ogle	e	
420 Ore;	gon	Oregon	Ogle	e	
505 Mer	idian Sun	Holcomb	Ogle	e	

B. A. Cottlow, D.D.G.M., Oregon.

TWELFTH DISTRICT.

48 Unity St. Charles Kane 90 Jerusalem Temple Aurora Kane 117 Elgin Elgin Kane 139 Geneva Geneva Kane 190 Dundee Dundee Kane 264 Aurora Aurora Kane 359 Blackberry Elburn Kane 404 Batavia Batavia Kane 413 Hampshire Hampshire Kane 522 Monitor Elgin Kane 303 Raven Oswego Kendall 303 Raven Dowego Kendall 471 Kendall Yorkville Kendall 471 Kendall Yorkville Kendall 471 Kendall Naperville Du Page 269 Wheaton Wheaton Du Page 472 Amity West Chicago Du Page 272 Grove Downers Grove Du Page	No	Name.	Location.	County.
934 Hinsdale Hinsdale Du Page	48 90 117 139 190 254 359 404 443 942 522 333 323 428 471 669 469 4824	Unity Jerusalem Temple Elgin Geneva Dundee Aurora Blackberry Batavla Hampshire Maple Park Monltor Raven Orient Sunbeam Kendall Euclid Wheaton Amity Grove	St. Charles Aurora Elgin Geneva Dundee Aurora Elburn Batavia Hampshire Maple Park Elgin Oswego Lisbon Plano Yorkville Wagerville Wheaton West Chicago Downers Grove.	Kane Kane Kane Kane Kane Kane Kane Kane

D M. Baird, D.D.G.M., Plano.

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

No	Name.	Location.	County.
189 Ful 293 Pro 321 Dur 412 Bol 612 Roc 655 You 667 Eri 750 Lyr 936 Roc 7 Fri	Name. ton City phetstown llap len any ek River ktown e ek Falls endship Centre	Fulton Prophetstown Morrison Spring Hill Albany Sterling Tampico Erie Lyndon Rock Falls Dixon	Whiteside Lee
178 Illi 205 Cor 264 Fra 282 Bro 349 Sub 531 Ash	nois Central Inthian Inklin Grove Oklyn Idette Iton O	Amboy Paw Paw Franklin Grove Compton Sublette Ashton	Lee Lee Lee Lee Lee Lee

John D. Charters, D.D.G.M., Ashton.

FOURTEENTH DISTRICT.

No	Name.	Location.	County.
49 Car	nbridge	Cambridge	Henry
	wart		
	wanee		
	va		
	kinson		
502 Wo	odhull	Woodhull	
	erman		Henry
680 Cle			Henry
	oppole		
57 Trt			Rock Island
	reka	Milan	Rock Island
319 Doi			
	ric llo	Port Byron	
100 FIII	dalusla		
			Trock Lording Trittering
	dova	Cordova	
547 Val	ney	Coal Valley	Rock Island
	ck Island	Rock Island	Rock Island
		Illinois City	
898 Sil	vis	Silvis	Rock Island

Milton T. Booth, D.D.G.M., Atkinson.

FIFTEENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
142 Am	es	Sheffield	Bureau
	anet		Bureau
	i Lusk		Bureau
	Moille		Bureau
	a		Bureau
	ron		Bureau
587 Prin	nceton	Princeton	Bureau
722 Wal			Bureau
803 Nep	onset	Neponset	Bureau
805 S. T	M. Dalzell	Spring Valley	Bureau
\$14 Ohi	0	Ohio	Bureau
	nlius		Bureau
951 Dep	ue	Depue	Bureau
103 Mag	gnolia	Magnolia	
	on		Marshall
119 Her	ry	Henry	Marshall
	nona		Marshall
441 Spa	rland	Sparland	Marshall

F. H. Bradley, D.D G M., Princeton, R.F.D.

SIXTEENTH DISTRICT

No.	Name.	Location.		County.
13 St. 40 Oc 67 Ac 176 Me 183 Me 194 Fr 364 To 384 W: 397 Sh 417 Ma 477 Ru 532 Se	John's cidental acia endota ridan eedom nica altham iloh rrseilles ttland anca mboldt	Peru Ottawa La Salle Mendota Earlville Freedom Tonica Utica Troy Grove Marseilles Rutland Seneca Ottawa	La Sa La Sa	County. ille ille ille ille ille ille ille il
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W. H. Barnard, D.D.G.M., Ottawa.

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
42 Mt.	Joliet	Joliet	Will
175 Ma	tteson	Joliet	Will
208 Wi	lmington	Wilmington	Will
262 Cha	innahon	Channahon	Will
		Plainfield	
538 Loc	kport	Lockport	Will
636 Peo	tone	Peotone	Will
704 Bra	idwood	Braidwood	Will
763 Cre	te <u>.</u>	Crete	Will
		Elwood	
		Morris	
		Minooka	
	dner		
		. Verona	
826 Mas	zon	Mazon	Grundy

Bruce T. Hartley, D.D.G.M., Elwood.

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
378 Are 928 Gri 389 Ka 481 Mo 168 Mi 305 On: 316 Ab: 429 Ch 446 Wa 506 O. 591 Gil	oma nnt Park nkakee mence lford arga raham Jonas ebanse ttseka H. Miner	Waldron Grant Park Kankakee Momence Milford Onarga Loda Chebanse Watseka Iroquois Gilman	Kankakee Kankakee Kankakee Kankakee Iroquois
634 Bu 688 Cli 845 Ma	ftonrtinton	Buckley Clifton Martinton	Iroquois

W. I. Holcomb, D.D.G.M., Kankakee.

NINETEENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
294 Por	ntiac	Pontiac	Livingston
351 Tar	bolton	Fairbury	Livingston
371 Liv	ingston	Dwight	Livingston
401 Ode	11	Odell	Livingston
539 Ch:	atsworth	Chatsworth	Livingston
552 Lor	ng Point	Long Point	Livingston
614 For	rest	Forrest	Livingston
738 Sau	nemin	Saunemin	Livingston
868 Cor		Cornell	
416 Par	cton		Ford
608 Pip	er	Piper City	Ford
631 No	ton	Cabery	
733 Gib		Gibson City	
761 Sib		Sibley	
811 Me	vin	Melvin	Ford

W. A. Hoover, D.D.G.M., Gibson City.

TWENTIETH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
930 Jose	eph Robbins	Peoria	Peoria
15 Peo		Peoria	
46 Ten	iple	Peoria	Peoria
106 Lan	caster	Glasford	Peoria
222 Geo	rge Washington	Chillicothe	Peoria
		Peoria	
		Peoria	
		· Princeville	
		·· Elmwood · · · · · ·	
748 Alta	3	·· Alta ·····	. Peoría
246 El		El Paso	
		Minonk	
306 Wm	. C. Hobbs	Eureka	Woodford
421 Wa	shburn	Washburn	Woodford

Chas. H. Ireland, D.D.G.M., Washburn.

TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
	ific		. Knox
	ha		
		Abingdon	
		Wataga	
330 Alt			
337 One		Oneida	
		Yates City	
		Maquon	
		Galesburg	
		Rio	
		··· Victoria ·····	
		Toulon	
		Speer	
		Wyoming	
		La Fayette	
514 Bra	idford	Bradford	. Stark

E. J. Tye, D.D.G.M., Rio.

TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
59 Ne 113 Ro 252 Ale 367 Ox 577 Vic 755 Pr 838 Ch 946 Joy 37 Mo 518 Ab 519 Ro	Name. w Boston bert Burns do ford la e-emption arity / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / /	New Boston Keithsburg Aledo New Windsor Viola Pre-emption Seaton Joy Joy Jonmouth Kirkwood Roseville	Mercer Mercer Mercer Mercer Mercer Mercer Mercer Mercer Mercer Warren Warren Warren
123 Oqt 727 Ra: 732 Car	exandriauawkaritanronghurst	Oquawka Raritan Carman	Henderson

D. E. Farr, D.D.G.M., Aledo.

TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
17	Macomb	Macomb	McDonough
233	Blandinsville	Blandinsville	
248	Golden Gate	Prairie City	McDonough
307	T. J. Pickett	Bushnell	
327	Industry	Industry	
496	Colchester	Colchester	
572	Bardolph	Bardolph	
617	Good Hope		McDonough
100	Astoria	Astoria	
104	Lewistown	Lewistown	
116	Vermont	Vermont	
192	Farmington	Farmington	
213	Ipava		
253	Avon Harmony	Avon	Fulton
350	Fairview		Fulton
	Cuba		Fulton
	Morning Star		Fulton
	London		Fulton
	Table Grove		Fulton

L. M. Morton, D.D.G.M., Canton.

TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.		County.
193 Her 195 La 235 Dali 238 Blac 257 Wai	Harpe las City ck Hawk csaw	Pontoosuc La Harpe Dallas City Hamilton Warsaw	Hancock Hancock Hancock Hancock Hancock	
295 Dill 318 J. I 464 Den 486 Bow	ver	West Point Augusta Denver Bowen	Hancock Hancock Hancock Hancock Hancock Hancock	
715 Elva 9 Rus 465 Hur	nsideastonhvillehville	Burnside Elvaston Rushville Huntsville	Hancock Hancock Schuyler Schuyler	
648 Cam 766 Litt 935 La	leton Moine	Littleton	Schuyler Schuyler Schuyler	

E. M. Crain, D.D.G.M., Augusta.

TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
	in		Tazewell
98 Tay	rlor pire	Washington Pekin	fm 11
132 Ma	ckinaw	Mackinaw	
156 Del	avan	Delavan	Tazewell
		Morton Tremont	m11
			Tazewell
		Minier	Tazewell
	anta	Mt. Pulaski	
210 Los	ran	Lincoln	Logan
	w Holland	New Holland	T -
853 Lat			
903 Elk		Elkhart	

B. I. Pumpelly, D.D.G.M., Atlanta.

TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.		County.
43 Blo	omlngton	Bloomington	McLean	
	Roy		McLean	
251 Hey	worth			**************
292 Che	noa	. Chenoa		
	neys Grove			
	Lean			
482 Lex	ington			
512 Was	le Barney	. Bloomington		
542 Toy	vanda	. Towanda	McLean	***************
582 Sh b	rlev	. Shirley	McLean	
656 Moz	art	. Bloomington	McLean	
			McLean	
		. Arrowsmith	McLean	
		. Danvers	McLean	
799 Col:	fa x	Colfax	McLean	
911 Bell	lflower	: Bellflower	McLean	

Nimrod Mace, D.D.G.M., Bloomington.

TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
154 Ru 265 Ver 285 Cat 527 Ro 590 Fa	ve Branch ssell million lin ssville irmount	Georgetown Indianola Catlin Rossville Fairmount	Vermilion Vermilion Vermilion Vermilion
709 Sta 714 Col 725 Ra: 782 Pot 798 Sid	lge Farm r lison nkin comac ell ee Will	Hoopeston Collison Rankin Potomac	Vermillon Vermillon Vermillon Vermillon Vermillon Vermillon Vermillon

C. L. Sandusky, D.D.G M, Danville.

TWENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
157 Urb 199 Hor 220 Mai 240 Wer 347 Sidr 391 Tol 470 Rar 537 J. 574 Per	nana	Urbana Homer Mahomet Champaign Sidney Tolono Rantoul Sadorous Ludlow	Champaign
754 Ogd 791 Bro 801 San 58 Fra 365 Ben 600 Cer 651 Atw 773 Man 812 De	ternal nent ro Gordo yood	Broadlands Fisher Monticella Bement Cerro Gordo Atwood Mansfield De Land	Champaign Champaign Champaign Piatt

W. G. Spurgin, D.D.G.M., Urbana.

TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
84 De	Witt	Clinton	DeWitt
172 Wa	vne	Waynesville	DeWitt
261 Am	on	De Witt	Dewitt
710 Far	mer City	Farmer City	DeWitt
746 We	ldon	Weldon	DeWitt
820 Her	nderson	Kenney	
	on		
312 Jon	ic	Decatur	
431 Sun	nmit	Harristown	Macon
		Maroa	
		Macon	
		Blue Mound	
871 Arg	genta	Argenta	Macon
959 Wa	rrensburg	Warrensburg	Macon

W. L. Allen, D.D.G.M., Decatur.

THIRTIETH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
4 Spr 71 Cer 203 Lav 333 Tyi 450 Los 500 St. 521 Illi 523 Chs 556 Da 635 Ros 700 Ple 786 Riv 904 Car	ringfield ttral vely rian c and Anchor ami Pauls opolis atham wson chester wasant Plains verton Union	Springfield Springfield Williamsville Springfield Auburn Loami Springfield Illiopolis Chatham Dawson Rochester Pawnee Pleasant Plains Riverton Mechanicsburg	Sangamon
945 But 19 Clir 653 Gre	ffalo eenview nMeter	Buffalo Petersburg Greenview	Sangamon

THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
SS Hay	ana	Havana	Mason
	son Clty		Mason
	nito		
	Jose		Mason
	nland		Cass
	s		Cass
	glnia		Cass
724 Cha	ndlerville	Chandlerville	
3 Hai	mony	Jacksonville	Morgan
52 Ben	evolent	Meredosia	Morgan
118 Wa	verly	Waverly	Morgan
346 N.	D. Morse	Concord	Morgan
382 Gill		Lynnville	Morgan
432 Mu	rrayville	Murrayville	Morgan
570 Jac.	ksonville	Jacksonville	Morgan
616 Wa	dley	Franklin	Morgan

Wm. Fairlie, D.D.G.M., Jacksonville.

THIRTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

44 Hardin Mt. Sterling Brown 108 Versailles Versailles Brown 430 Kendrick Mound Station Brown 434 Barry Barry Pike 45 Griggsville Griggsville Pike 95 Perry Perry Pike 218 New Salem New Salem Pike 275 Milton Milton Pike 235 Kinderhook Kinderhook Pike 233 Chambersburg Chambersburg Pike 388 El Dara El Dara Pike 453 New Hartford New Hartford Pike 565 Pleasant Hill Pleasant Hill Pike 569 Time Time Pike 790 Pittsfield Pittsfield Pike	No.	Name.	Location.	County.
806 Nebo Nebo Pike 821 New Canton New Canton Pike	108 Ver 430 Kei 34 Bai 45 Gri 95 Per 218 Nev 275 Mil 353 Kin 373 Cha 388 El 453 Nev 565 Ple 569 Tin 790 Pit	sailles ndrick ry ry v Salem ton derhook umbersburg Dara w Hartford assant Hill te	Versailles Mound Station Barry Griggsville Perry New Salem Milton Kinderhook Chambersburg El Dara New Hartford Pleasant Hill Time Pittsfield Nebo	Brown Brown Pike Pike Pike Pike Pike Pike Pike Pike

W. W. Watson, D.D.G.M., Barry.

THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
1 Bod	lley	Quincy	Adams
39 Her	man	. Quincy	Adams
		. Marcelline	
		Lima	
		Clayton	
		Fairweather	
267 La	Prairie	Golden	Adams
		Quincy	
297 Ber		Camp Point	
379 Pay			
380 Lib			
449 Mei			
529 Ada	ams	Plainville	Adams
659 Lar 893 Lor	nbert	· Quincy	Adams
ose Por	anne	Loraine	Anama

J. L. Klemme, D.D.G.M., Quincy.

THIRTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
792 Cal	houn	Harden	Calhoun
	st Gate		
	ll Moon		
	seyville		
			Jersey
	rrollton		
			Greene
	eenfield		
	ng Solomon		
	M. Husted		
	nchester		
	inchester		
	eter		~
846 BH	uffs	BRIES	Scott

Ralph M. Riggs, D.D.G.M., Winchester.

THIRTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

No	Name.	Location.	County.
76 Mt. 151 Bun 152 Fide 161 Viro 171 Gir: 177 Sta 212 Shij	Nebo ker Hill elity len ard unton pman	Carlinville Bunker Hill Medora Virden Girard Staunton Shipman	Macoupin Macoupin Macoupin Macoupin Macoupin Macoupin Macoupin Macoupin Macoupin
249 Hib 426 Sco 445 Che 461 Pla 463 Pal	bard ttville sterfield inview myra	Gillespie Brighton Scottville Chesterfield Plainview Palmyra Modesto	Macoupin Macoupin Macoupin Macoupin Macoupin

E. R. Turnbull, D.D.G.M., Carlinville.

THIRTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
51 Mo 236 Ch: 255 Do 455 Irv 456 No 475 Wa 517 Lit 670 Fil 692 Ra	unt Moriah artered Oak nnelson ing komis lshville chfield lmore ymond eenville	Coffeen Hillsboro Litchfield Donnellson Irving Nokomis Walshville Litchfield Fillmore Raymond Greenville Pocahontas Mulberry Grove	Montgomery Bond Bond

R. E. Giffiord, D.D.G.M., Hillsboro.

THIRTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location	County.
122 Mot	ınd	Taylorville	Christian
226 Pan	a	Pana	. Christian
340 Ked	lron	Mount Auburn	. Christian
451 Bro	mwell	Assumption	. Christian
585 Fis	her	Grove City	. Christian
		Owaneco	
		Edinburg	
		Morrisonville	
		Shelbyville	
		Moweagua	
		Windsor	
392 Occ	nee	Oconee	. Shelby
		Tower Hill	
541 Ste	wardson	Stewardson	Shelby
706 Jop	na	Cowden	Shelby
831 Fin	dlav	Findlay	. Shelby

A. M. Bloxam, D.D.G.M., Taylorville.

THIRTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

No	Name.	Location.	County
35 Cha	rleston	Charleston	. Coles
179 Wal	bash	Etna	. Coles
219 Oak	land	Oakland	. Coles
	toon	Mattoon	. Coles
		Ashmore	
396 Mud	ldv Point	Trilla	Coles
788 Ler	na	Lerna	. Coles
332 Tue	cola	Tuscola	. Douglas
366 Arc	ola	Arcola	. Douglas
369 Nev	rman	Newman	. Douglas
		Camargo	
\$25 Artl	hur	Arthur	. Douglas
837 Hin	dshoro	Hindsboro	. Douglas
885 Vill	a Grove	Villa Grove	. Douglas
		Lovington	
595 Mile	e Hart	Gays	. Moultrie
		Sullivan	
		Arthur	
		Bethany	

Geo. N. Todd, D.D.G.M., Mattoon.

THIRTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location	County.
125 Gre	enup	Greenup	Cumberland
		Neoga	
		Hazel Dell	
698 Hut		Diona	
834 Tole		Toledo	
		Marshall	
313 Yor		York	
442 Cas		Casey	
		Martinsville	
		Cohn	
		Paris	
		Chrisman	
268 Par		Paris	
		Kansas	
		Vermilion	
		Scott Land	
829 Edg	ar	Hume	Edgar

J. I. Brydon, D.D.G.M., Martinsville.

FORTIETH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
216 Nev 489 Coo 883 Wh 136 Hu 250 Rol 348 Fla 644 Obl 666 Cra 756 Ha 849 Pal	wton pper eeler tsonville binson t Rock long City wwford rdinsville lestine	Willow Hill Wheeler Hutsonville Robinson Flat Rock Oblong Eaton Hardinsville Palestine Olney	Jasper Jasper Jasper Jasper Crayford Crawford Crawford Crawford Crawford Crawford Crawford Crawford Crawford Crawford Richland Richland
502 No 509 Pa:	rkersburg	Parkersburg	Richland

W. H. Rupe, D.D.G.M., Olney.

FORTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

No. Name.	Location.	County.
149 Effingham 217 Mason 484 Edgewood 533 Altamount 578 Prairie City 602 Watson 664 Mayo 665 Beecher City 16 Temperance 405 Ramsey 601 Farina 769 St. Elmo	Mason Edgewood Altamount Montrose Watson Winterrowd Beecher City Vandalia Ramsey Farina	Emngham Effingham Effingham Effingham Effingham Effingham Faffingham Fayette Fayette Fayette

C. O. Faught, D.D.G.M., Altamont.

FORTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

485 Xenia 488 Clay City 691 Iola 130 Marion 201 Centralia 398 Kimundy 503 Odin 510 J. D. Moody 613 Patoka 932 Sandoval 948 R. T. Casey 206 Fairfield	Koria Clay City Iola Salem Centralia Kinmundy Odin Iuka Patoka Sandoval Kell Fairfield Mt. Erie Jeffersonville	Clay Clay Clay Marion Marion Marion Marion Marion Marion Marion Marion Marion Warion Wayno Wayne Wayne Wayne Wayne

C. N. Hambleton, D.D.G.M., Jeffersonville,

FORTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

No	Name,	Location.	County.
79 Scot	t	Carlye	. Clinton
109 Tren	nton	Trenton	. Clinton
25 Fra	nklin	Upper Alton	. Madison
27 Pias	a	Alton	Madison
99 Edw	ardsville	Edwardsville	Madison
355 Mar	ine	Marine	. Madison
406 Beth	alto	Bethalto	. Madison
560 Mad	ison	New Douglas	. Madison
583 High	ıland	Highland	Madison
		Troy	
		Collinsville	
			, Madison
877 Grai	nite City	Granite City	. Madison

John W. Costley, Granite City.

FORTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
24 St.	Clair	Belleville	St. Clair
110 Leb		Lebanon	
342 Sun	nmerfield	Summerfield	. St. Clair
361 Dou	ıglas	Mascoutah	St. Clair
418 Fre	eburg	Freeburg	. St. Clair
504 Eas	t St. Louis	East St. Louis	. St. Clair
576 O'F	allon	O Fallon	St. Clair
852 Got	h ic	East St. Louis	. St. Clair
881 Mar	rissa	Marissa	. St. Clair
474 Colu	ımbia	Columbia	. Monroe
		Waterloo	
		. Chester	
86 Kas	kaskia	Evansville	Randolph
		. Sparta	
		Red Bud	
		Steeleville	

Harry L. Browning, D.D.G.M., East St. Louis.

FORTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location	County.
55 Wa	shington	Nashville	Washington
	Σ		
31 Mt.	Vernon	Mt. Vernon	Jefferson
368 Jeff	erson	Opdyke	Jefferson
	le Rive		
721 Roi		Dix	
64 Ber	iton		
567 Fra	nkfort	West Frankfort	Franklin
705 Ew	ing	Ewing	Franklin
744 Goo	de	Brayfield	
749 Aki	n	Thompsonville	
807 Roy	al	Macedonia	
	ser	Sesser	
85 Mit	chell	Pinckneyville	
207 Tar	naroa	Tamaroa	Perry
234 Du	Quoin	Du Quoin	
D G	4,440	Da gaom	Perry

Keith Strattan, D.D.G.M., Mt. Vernon.

FORTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
912 Stel	lar	St. Francesville	Lawrence
164 Edv		Lawrenceville	
334 Sun	nner	Sumner	Lawrence
386 Brid	lgeport	Bridgeport	Lawrence
447 S.	D. Monroe	Birds	Lawrence
356 Her	mitage	Albion	Edwards
866 Wes	st Salem	West Salem	Edwards
239 Mot	int Carmel	Mount Carmel	Wabash
752 Alle	endale	Allendale	Wabash
		Grayville	
		Carmi	
668 Bur	nt Prairie	Burnt Prairie	White
		Enfield	
718 May	,	Norris City	White

J. R. Ennis, D.D.G.M., Burnt Prairie.

FORTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
137 Pol	k	McLeansboro	Hamilton
			Saline
			Saline
		Gallatia	
			Saline
		Equality Shawneetown	
		New Haven	
723 Om	ah a	Omaha	Gallatin
		Ridgway	
920 Cot	tonwood	Cottonwood	Gallatin

R. C. Davenport, D.D.G.M., Harrisburg.

FORTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

No. Name.	Location.	County.
434 Makanda 498 Murphysboro 657 La Fayette 695 Shiloh Hill 833 Dean	De Soto Makanda Murphysboro Grand Tower Campbell Hill Ava Marion Crab Orchard Corinth Herrin's Prairie Wolf Creek Lake Creek Carterville	Jackson Jackson Jackson Jackson Jackson Jackson Jackson Williamson Williamson Williamson Williamson Williamson Williamson Williamson Williamson Williamson

Henry T. Mertz, D D.G.M., Carbondale.

FORTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
150 Vie	nna	Vienna	. Johnson
336 Nev	v Columbia	Ganntown	. Johnson
		Goreville	7 ,
		Tunnel Hill New Burnside	
		Grantsburg	
822 Bell	knap	Belknap	. Johnson
			Johnson
		Jonesboro	
		Anna	
581 Dor	igola	Dongola	Union
		Lick Creek	
		Alto Pass	. Union . Alexander

W. W. Thomas, D.D.G.M., Anna.

FIFTIETH DISTRICT.

No. Name.	Location.	County.
276 Elizabeth	Cave-in-Rock Karber's Ridge Golconda Eddyville Temple Hill New Liberty Metropolis Brookport Olmsted	Hardin Hardin Pope Pope Pope Pope Massac Massac Pulaski

E. J. Cowling, D.D.G.M. Metropolis.

DEFUNCT LODGES.

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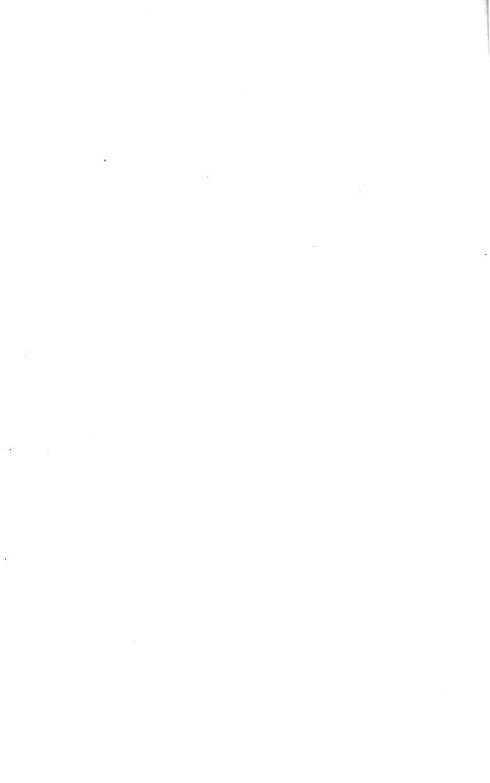
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THE

Charges of a Freemason

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I. CONCERNING GOD AND RELIGION.

A Mason is oblig'd, by his tenure, to obey the moral law; and if he rightly understands the art, he will never be a stupid atheist, nor an irreligious libertine. But though in ancient times Masons were charg'd in every country to be of the religion of that country or nation, whatever it was, yet 'tis now thought more expedient only to oblige them to that religion in which all men agree, leaving their particular opinions to themselves; that is, to be good men and true, or men of honour and honesty, by whatever denominations or persuasions they may be distinguish'd; whereby Masonry becomes the center of union, and the means of conciliating true friendship among persons that must have remain'd at a perpetual distance.

2. Of the Civil Magistrate Supreme and Subordinate.

A Mason is a peaceable subject to the civil powers, wherever he resides or works, and is never to be concern'd in plots and conspiracies against the peace and welfare of the nation, nor to behave himself undutifully to inferior magistrates; for as Masonry hath been

always injured by war, bloodshed, and confusion, so ancient kings and princes have been much dispos'd to encourage the Craftsmen, because of their peaceableness and loyalty, whereby they practically answer'd the cavils of their adversaries, and promoted the honour of the Fraternity, who ever flourish'd in times of peace. So that if a Brother should be a rebel against the state, he is not to be countenanc'd in his rebellion, however he may be pitied as an unhappy man; and, if convicted of no other crime, though the loyal brotherhood must and ought to disown his rebellion, and give no umbrage or ground of political jealousy to the government for the time being; they cannot expel him from the Lodge, and his relation to it remains indefeasible.

3. Of Lodges.

A Lodge is a place where Masons assemble and work; hence that assembly, or duly organiz'd Society of Masons, is call'd a Lodge, and every brother ought to belong to one, and to be subject to its by-laws and the General Regulations. It is either particular or general, and will be best understood by attending it, and by the regulations of the General or Grand Lodge hereunto annex'd. In ancient times, no Master or Fellow could be absent from it, especially when warn'd to appear at it, without incurring a severe censure, until it appear'd to the Master and Wardens, that pure necessity hinder'd him.

The persons admitted members of a Lodge must be good and true men, free-born, and of mature and discreet age, no bondsmen, no women, no immoral and scandalous men, but of good report.

4. Of Masters, Wardens, Fellows, and Apprentices.

All preferment among Masons is grounded upon real worth and personal merit only; that so the lords may be well served, the Brethren not put to shame, nor the royal craft despis'd: therefore no Master or Warden is chosen by seniority, but for his merit. It is impossible to describe these things in writing, and every Brother must attend in his place, and learn them in a way peculiar to this Fraternity; only candidates may know, that no Master should take an Apprentice, unless he has sufficient employment for him, and unless he be a perfect youth, having no maim or defect in his body, that may render him uncapable of learning the art, of serving his Master's lord, and of being made a Brother, and then a Fellow-Craft in due time, even after he has served such a term of years as the custom of the country directs; and that he should be descended of honest parents; that so, when otherwise qualified, he may arrive to the honour of being the Warden, and then the Master of the Lodge, the Grand Warden, and at length the Grand Master of all the Lodges, according to his merit.

No Brother can be a Warden until he has pass'd the part of a Fellow-Craft; nor a Master until he has acted as a Warden, nor a Grand Warden until he has been Master of a Lodge, nor Grand Master unless he has been a Fellow-Craft before his election, who is also to be nobly born, or a gentlemen of the best fashion, or some eminent scholar, or some curious architect, or other artist, descended of honest parents, and who is of singular great merit in the opinion of the Lodges. And for the better,

and easier, and more honourable discharge of his office, the Grand Master has power to chuse his own Deputy Grand Master, who must be then, or must have been formerly, the Master of a particular Lodge, and has the privilege of acting whatever the Grand Master, his principal, should act, unless the said principal be present, or interpose his authority by letter.

These rulers and governors, supreme and subordinate, of the ancient Lodge, are to be obey'd in their respective stations by all the brethren, according to the Old Charges and Regulations, with all humility, reverence, love, and alacrity.

5. Of the Management of the Craft in Working.

All Masons shall work honestly on working days, that they may live creditably on holy days; and the time appointed by the law of the land, or confirm'd by custom shall be observ'd.

The most expert of the Fellow-Craftsmen shall be chosen or appointed the Master, or overseer of the lord's work; who is to be call'd Master by those that work under him. The Craftsmen are to avoid all ill language, and to call each other by no disobliging name, but Brother or Fellow; and to behave themselves courteously within and without the Lodge.

The Master, knowing himself to be able of cunning, shall undertake the lord's work as reasonably as possible, and truly dispend his goods as if they were his own; nor to give more wages to any Brother or Apprentice than he really may deserve.

Both the Master and the Masons receiving their wages justly shall be faithful to the lord, and honestly finish their work, whether task or journey; nor put the work to task that hath been accustom'd to journey.

None shall discover envy at the prosperity of a Brother, nor supplant him, or put him out of his work, if he be capable to finish the same; for no man can finish another's work so much to the lord's profit, unless he be thoroughly acquainted with the designs and draughts of him that began it.

When a Fellow-Craftsman is chosen Warden of the work under the Master, he shall be true both to Master and Fellows, shall carefully oversee the work in the Master's absence to the lord's profit; and his brethren shall obey him.

All Masons employ'd shall meekly receive their wages without murmuring or mutiny, and not desert the Master till the work is finish'd.

A younger Brother shall be instructed in working, to prevent spoiling the materials for want of judgment, and for encreasing and continuing of brotherly love.

All the tools used in working shall be approved by the Grand Lodge.

No labourer shall be employ'd in the proper work of Masonry; nor shall Free Masons work with those that are not free, without an urgent necessity; nor shall they teach labourers and unaccepted Masons, as they should teach a Brother or Fellow.

6. OF BEHAVIOUR, VIZ.

1. In the Lodge while constituted.

You are not to hold private committees or separate conversation, without leave from the Master, nor to talk of anything impertinent or unseemly, nor interrupt the Master or Wardens, or any Brother speaking to the Master: nor behave yourself ludicrously or jestingly while the Lodge is engaged in what is serious and solemn; nor use any unbecoming language upon any pretence whatsoever; but to pay due reverence to your Master, Wardens, and Fellows, and put them to worship.

If any complaint be brought, the Brother found guilty shall stand to the award and determination of the Lodge, who are the proper and competent judges of all such controversies, (unless you carry it by appeal to the Grand Lodge) and to whom they ought to be referr'd, unless a lord's work be hinder'd the mean while, in which case a particular reference may be made; but you must never go to law about what concerneth Masonry, without an absolute necessity apparent to the Lodge.

2. Behaviour after the Lodge is over and the Brethren not gone.

You may enjoy yourself with innocent mirth, treating one another according to ability, but avoiding all excess, or forcing any Brother to eat or drink beyond his inclination, or hindering him from going when his occasions call him, or doing or saying anything offensive, or that may forbid an easy and free conversation; for that would blast our harmony, and defeat our laudable purposes. Therefore no private piques or quarrels must

be brought within the door of the Lodge, far less any quarrels about religion, or nations, or state policy, we being only, as Masons, of the catholick religion abovemention'd; we are also of all nations, tongues, kindreds, and languages, and are resolv'd against all politicks, as what never yet conduc'd to the welfare of the Lodge, nor ever will. This Charge has always been strictly enjoin'd and observ'd; but especially ever since the Reformation in Britain, or the dissent and secession of these nations from the communion of Rome.

3. Behaviour when Brethren meet without Strangers, but not in Lodge form'd.

You are to salute one another in a courteous manner, as you will be instructed, calling each other Brother, freely giving mutual instruction as shall be thought expedient, without being overseen or overheard, and without encroaching upon each other, or derogating from that respect which is due to any Brother, were he not a Mason; for though all Masons are as brethren upon the same level, yet Masonry takes no honour from a man that he had before; nay rather it adds to his honour, especially if he has deserved well of the Brotherhood, who must give honour to whom it is due, and avoid ill manners.

4. Behaviour in Presence of Strangers not Masons.

You shall be cautious in your words and carriage, that the most penetrating Stranger shall not be able to discover or find out what is not proper to be intimated; and sometimes you shall divert a discourse, and manage it prudently for the honour of the worshipful Fraternity.

5. Behaviour at Home, and in your Neighborhood.

You are to act as becomes a moral and wise man; particularly, not to let your family, friends, and neighbors know the concerns of the Lodge, &c., but wisely to consult your own honour, and that of the ancient Brotherhood, for reasons not to be mention'd here. You must also consult your health, by not continuing together too late, or too long from home after Lodge hours are past; and by avoiding of gluttony or drunkenness, that your families be not neglected or injured, nor you disabled from working.

6. Behaviour towards a strange Brother.

You are cautiously to examine him, in such a method as prudence shall direct you, that you may not be impos'd upon by an ignorant false pretender, whom you are to reject with contempt and derision, and beware of giving him any hints of knowledge.

But if you discover him to be a true and genuine Brother, you are to respect him accordingly; and if he is in want, you must relieve him if you can, or else direct him how he may be reliev'd; you must employ him some days, or else recommend him to be employ'd. But you are not charged to do beyond your ability, only to prefer a poor Brother, that is a good man and true, before any other poor people in the same circumstances.

Finally, all these Charges you are to observe, and also those that shall be communicated to you in another way; cultivating brotherly love, the foundation and capestone, the cement and glory of this ancient Fraternity, avoiding all wrangling and quarrelling, all slander and

backbiting, nor permitting others to slander any honest Brother, but defending his character, and doing him all good offices, as far as is consistent with your honour and safety, and no farther. And if any of them do you injury, vou must apply to your own or his Lodge; and from thence you may appeal to the Grand Lodge at the quarterly communication, and from thence to the annual Grand Lodge, as has been the ancient laudable conduct of our forefathers in every nation; never taking a legal course but when the case cannot be otherwise decided, and patiently listning to the honest and friendly advice of Master and Fellows, when they would prevent you going to law with strangers, or would excite you to put a speedy period to all law-suits, that so you may mind the affair of Masonry with the more alacrity and success; but with respect to Brothers or Fellows at law, the Master and brethren should kindly offer their mediation, which ought to be thankfully submitted to by the contending brethren; and if that submission is impracticable, they must however carry on their process, or law-suit, without wrath and rancor (not in the common way) saving or doing nothing which may hinder brotherly love, and good offices to be renew'd and continu'd; that all may see the benign influence of Masonry, as all true Masons have done from the beginning of the world, and will do to the end of time.

AMEN SO MOTE IT BE.

AN ACT

TO INCORPORATE THE GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 1. That the Grand Lodge of Masons of the State of Illinois be and the same is hereby declared and constituted a body politic and corporate by the name, style and description of the "Grand Lodge of Illinois of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons."

- SEC. 2. The said corporation, by the name and style aforesaid, shall have full power to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, prosecute and defend, in all manner of actions at law, or in equity, in all places whatever, where legal or equitable proceedings are had. The said corporation shall have power to make such constitution and by-laws as may be deemed proper. Provided, that such constitution and by-laws shall not conflict with the Constitution and Laws of this State and of the United States.
- SEC. 3. Said corporation shall have power to loan money belonging to the same and take promissory notes or other evidences for the money so loaned, which may be received in their corporate name aforesaid in all courts and places whatever where judicial proceedings are had.
- Sec. 4. The said corporation by the name and style aforesaid shall be capable in law of purchasing, holding and conveying real estate for the benefit of said corporation and for no other use or benefit whatever: *Provided*, that said corporation shall not at any one time hold property to an amount exceeding fifty thousand dollars nor real estate to an amount exceeding one thousand acres of land.
- Sec. 5. For the purpose of carrying into effect the objects of this act the members of this corporation shall have power and are hereby authorized to appoint out of their number three trustees to hold their offices for the term of one year and until their successors are elected.

Approved February 20, 1847. Aug. French.

NEWTON CLOUD,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

JOSEPH B. WILLS, Speaker of the Senate.

AN ACT

TO AMEND AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS."

- Section i. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly, That the Grand Master, deputy grand master, grand wardens, grand secretary, and grand treasurer for the time being, and their successors in office, of the Grand Lodge of the State of Illinois, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, together with the masters and wardens of the several lodges subordinate to [constituents of] said Grand Lodge, while holding said offices, shall be and the same are hereby forever declared to be a body politic and corporate, by the name, style, and description of "The Grand Lodge of the State of Illinois, Free and Accepted Masons."
- SEC. 2. The said corporation, by the name and style aforesaid, shall have full power to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, prosecute and defend in all manner of actions at law or in equity, in all places where legal or equitable proceedings are had. The said corporation shall have power to make such constitution, by-laws, rules and regulations for its own government, and the management of its concerns and government of its subordinates [constituents] as shall be deemed advisable, and to alter and amend the same at pleasure. *Provided*, that such constitution, by-laws, rules, and regulations shall not conflict with the constitution and laws of this State and of the United States.
- SEC. 3. The said corporation, by name and style aforesaid, shall be capable in law of purchasing, holding and conveying real and personal estate for the benefit of said corporation, to create a charity and educational fund, a representative fund, a library fund, and a Grand Lodge fund, and for no other use or benefits whatever: *Provided*, that said corporation shall not at any one time hold personal or mixed property to an amount exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, nor real estate to an amount exceeding two thousand acres of land.
- SEC. 4. The said corporation shall have power to loan money belonging to the same, and take promissory notes or other evidences of debt for the money so loaned or any property sold, which may be recovered in their corporate name aforesaid, in all courts or places where judicial proceedings are held.
- SEC. 5. The said corporation is also authorized to borrow money in sums not exceeding one thousand dollars at any one time, and at a rate of interest not exceeding ten per cent per annum.

- SEC. 6. In the management of its business concerns, said corporation is hereby authorized to appoint such agents, officers, and attorneys for that purpose as from time to time may be deemed proper.
- SEC. 7. Each subordinate [constituent] lodge under the jurisdiction of the aforesaid Grand Lodge, now in existence or which may hereafter be chartered by the same, is also hereby declared to be a body politic and corporate by and under the name, style, and number set forth in their respective charters, and by such designation they may respectively sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, prosecute and defend against all suits arising in law or chancery, in all the courts of this state. The said subordinate [constituent] lodges respectively shall be capable in law of purchasing or receiving, by purchase, gift, on otherwise, and of selling and conveying, real and personal estate for the benefit of said subordinate [constitutent] lodges respectively: *Provided*, that neither of said lodges shall at any one time hold real estate exceeding in value thirty thousand dollars.
- SEC. 8. So far as applicable the provisions of sections four, five, and six of this act shall be applicable to each of said subordinate [constituent] lodges.
- SEC. 9. In case any subordinate [constituent] lodge under the jurisdiction of said Grand Lodge shall cease to exist or forfeit its charter, then all the estate, real and personal, together with all the records, books, papers, vouchers, furniture, jewels, seals, and fixtures belonging to such lodge shall immediately vest in said Grand Lodge; and all personal property, books, records, papers, vouchers, jewels, seals, furniture, deeds, money evidence of debt, leases, or mortgages belonging to said lodge so forfeiting its charter or ceasing to exist shall be delivered over by its last secretary or treasurer of the same, or other person having custody of them, to the proper officer or agent of said Grand Lodge, on demand, and on failing to do so each and every member of such delinquent lodge shall be liable to said Grand Lodge in an action of debt for the full value of the same.
- SEC. 10. This act shall be deemed a public act and shall be liberally construed by all courts for the benefit of the corporation herein created.
- SEC. II. So much of the eleventh section of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Illinois and subordinate chapters under its jurisdiction," approved February 9, 1853, as required a printed copy of the proceedings of said Grand Chapter, together with a list of its officers, a list of

All deeds, mortgages, and other legal documents should be drawn in the name of the Lodge and not the trustees. Each Lodge is made a body corporate and politic by the act of the Legislature incorporating the Grand and Constituent Lodges—Grand Master, 1897.

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subordinate chapters, their officers and members, to be filed annually with the secretary of state, is hereby repealed.

Sec. 12. All acts and parts of acts conflicting with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 13. This act to take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 14, 1855.

The correct corporate name of this Grand Lodge is as follows:

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

ACTION OF THE GRAND LODGE CHANGING THE CORPORATE NAME OF THE
GRAND LODGE TO "THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE STATE OF
ILLINOIS."

STATE OF ILLINOIS, County of Adams, ss.

I, the undersigned Isaac Cutter, as R.W. grand secretary of the Grand Lodge of the State of Illinois, Free and Accepted Masons, do hereby certify that at the annual meeting of the said Grand Lodge, held in the city of Chicago, in the state of Illinois, on the sixth day of October, A. D. 1908, at ten o'clock a. m. on that date, pursuant to the constitution and by-laws of said corporation, the following resolution was adopted by the unanimous vote of all of the representatives of lodges there present, being the representatives of more than seven hundred lodges out of a total of seven hundred and sixty-one lodges under the jurisdiction of such Grand Lodge. Such resolution there adopted, being as follows:

Whereas, By act of the general assembly of the state of Illinois approved February 20, 1847, there was incorporated the "Grand Lodge of Illinois of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons"; and

Whereas, Also by an amendatory act of the general assembly of Illinois approved February 14, 1855, the said "Grand Lodge of

Illinois of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons" was in effect reincorporated by the name of "The Grand Lodge of the State of Illinois, Free and Accepted Masons"; and

Whereas, This Most Worshipful Grand Lodge has in all of its doings excepting its official corporate acts preserved the use of the word Ancient in its corporate named and desires to so do hereafter; and has declared in its constitution that "This Grand Lodge shall hereafter be known by the name and style of 'The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois'"; be it therefore

Resolved, That the name of this corporation incorporated by an act of the general assembly of Illinois entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Illinois of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons," approved February 14, A. D. 1855, be changed from the name of "The Grand Lodge of the State of Illinois, Free and Accepted Masons," as given it in such amendatory act, to the name, style and description of "The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois," and that this corporation be now and hereafter known, named and described by the name, style and description of "The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois."

(Grand Lodge Seal.)

ISAAC CUTTER, Grand Secretary.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, \ Ss.

I, Alexander H. Bell, being first duly sworn, declare on oath that I am the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the State of Illinois, Free and Accepted Masons, whose name is to be changed as above set forth: that I am the presiding officer of such Grand Lodge and its principal executive officer; and that I was such and was presiding as such at said stated annual meeting of such Grand Lodge held on the sixth day of October, A. D. 1908, mentioned in the foregoing certificate.

I state that said corporation has no president and no board of trustees and no stockholders, and I further state that the statements in the foregoing certificate made by the R.W. grand secretary of said Grand Lodge, are true in substance and in fact.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of said corporation to be affixed this 15th day of October, A. D. 1008.

(Seal.)

ALEXANDER H. BELL, Grand Master.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of October, A. D. 1908.

(Notarial Seal.)

John Westermeier, Notary Public. CHARTER, 17

I, James A. Rosc, as secretary of state of the state of Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of papers showing the action taken changing the name of the corporation above mentioned as therein fully set forth, and of the affidavit of Alexander H. Bell thereto attached as a part thereof.

I hereby certify that the original, of which the above is a true copy, was filed in my office on the eleventh day of November, A. D. 1908, and that the name of said corporation is thereby changed as therein set forth from the name and description of "The Grand Lodge of the State of Illinois, Free and Accepted Masons," by which said corporation has been heretofore known, to the name, style and description of "The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois."

Given under my hand and the great seal of state at my office at Springfield, Illinois, on this eleventh day of November, A. D. 1908.

(Great Seal of State.)

James A. Rose, Secretary of State.

Recorded in full in recorder's office of Macoupin county, Illinois, wherein Alexander H. Bell, then Grand Master, then resided, in Book 239, at pages 446 and 447, on November 17, A. D. 1908.

Recorded also in recorder's office of Adams county, Illinois, wherein Isaac Cutter, then grand secretary, then resided, in Book 3 of Corporation Records at page 397, on November 19, A. D. 1908.

Recorded also in recorder's office of Cook county, Illinois, wherein the M.W. Grand Lodge then annually met, in Book 139 of Corporation Records, at page 631 thereof, on November 27, A. D. 1008.

Notice of change of corporate names was published for three successive weeks in Macoupin, Adams and Cook counties respectively, as follows:

In Macoupin county in the Macoupin County Enquirer; first publication on November 18, 1908.

In Adams county in *The Camp Point Journal*; first publication on November 25, 1908.

In Cook county in the Masonic Chronicler; first publication on November 28, 1908.

18 CHARTER.

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 I. 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 personal 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.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Most Worshipful Grand Lodge

OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS

OF THE

STATE OF ILLINOIS

Adopted October 4, 1871 Re-adopted _____, 191—

WHEREAS, Every Grand Lodge is sovereign within its prescribed jurisdiction, and possesses the inherent power to form a constitution as the law of its masonic action, to amend or alter the same, to enact by-laws from time to time, and to make such rules and prescribe such regulations for the administration of its constituent lodges as will insure the prosperity thereof and promote the general good of masonry; and,

Whereas, Every Grand Lodge is the representative of all the fraternity in communication therewith, and in that behalf is an absolute independent body, with supreme legislative, executive, and judicial authority; provided, always, that the ancient landmarks of the institution be held inviolate; therefore, upon these principles, which are indisputable, the Grand Lodge of Illinois does hereby

ordain, establish, and promulgate the following constitution for its future government:

Name of Grand Lodge

1. This Grand Lodge shall be known as:

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

Who Constitute the Grand Lodge

- 4. 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 masters and wardens 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 constituent lodges in Illinois.
- **5.** No grand officer shall officiate in the station to which he may be elected until he has been legally installed.

Meetings of the Grand Lodge

8. The Grand Lodge shall hold a stated meeting once every year at such time and in such place as may be designated in its by-laws.

Quorum of the Grand Lodge

11. The Grand Lodge shall not be opened unless there be present the representatives from at least twenty of the chartered lodges. No business shall be done unless there be present the representatives from at least fifty of the chartered lodges. Less than a quorum may assemble until noon of the second day, when, if less than fifty chartered lodges are represented, the Grand Master shall declare the Grand Lodge closed until the next annual meeting, or until the Grand Master, by due notice, shall again convene the Grand Lodge, in which case the grand officers will hold over until such subsequent meeting.

Titles and Rank of Grand Lodge Officers

14. The officers of the Grand Lodge shall be styled and take rank as follows:

Most Worshipful Grand Master.

Right worshipful deputy grand master.

Right worshipful senior grand warden.

Right worshipful junior grand warden.

Right worshipful grand treasurer.

Right worshipful grand secretary.

Right worshipful grand chaplain.

Right worshipful grand orator.

Right worshipful district deputy grand master.

Worshipful deputy grand secretary.

Worshipful grand pursuivant.

Worshipful grand marshal.

Worshipful grand standard bearer.

Worshipful grand sword bearer.

Worshipful senior grand deacon. Worshipful junior grand deacon. Worshipful grand steward. Brother grand tyler.

Titles and Rank of Brethren Composing the Grand Lodge

17. Past grand masters shall be styled most worshipful.

Past deputy grand masters and past grand wardens shall be styled right worshipful.

Representatives of other grand lodges shall be styled right worshipful.

Grand lecturers shall be styled right worshipful. Past masters and masters of lodges shall be styled worshipful.

18. Title and rank may be assigned to other brethren by law.

Eligibility to Hold Office in the Grand Lodge

- **21.** No brother shall be eligible to hold office in the Grand Lodge who is not, at the time of election or appointment, a member in regular standing of a chartered lodge that is a constituent of the Grand Lodge.
- 22. No brother shall be eligible to the office of Grand Master, deputy grand master, grand warden, representative of another Grand Lodge, or district deputy grand master who has not been duly elected and installed master of a constituent lodge.

Elections and Appointments in the Grand Lodge

25. At each annual meeting of the Grand Lodge there shall be elected, on or before the second day, by ballot:

A Grand Master.

A deputy grand master.

A senior grand warden.

A junior grand warden.

A grand treasurer.

A grand secretary.

26. All grand officers other than those named in Code No. 25, page 23, shall be appointed by the Grand Master elect.

Voting in the Grand Lodge

29. In all elections and in all questions before the Grand Lodge:

Each lodge shall be entitled to three votes.

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.

The past masters to one vote collectively.

30. No representative of a lodge shall vote as a grand officer.

31. In case a lodge has but one representative present he shall cast three votes.

If two representatives are present the higher in rank shall cast two votes and the lower one.

If three representatives are present they shall cast but one vote each.

In case a vote is taken by show of hands the Grand Master shall take the necessary steps to insure each lodge credit for its full representation.

- **32.** The yeas and nays shall be ordered upon the demand of *one hundred* representatives. In taking the yeas and nays the lodges in their order shall be called first, the members second, and the grand officers last.
- **33.** In all votes and elections a majority shall govern unless otherwise provided by law.

Vacancies in Offices of the Grand Lodge

36. In case of the death, absence or disability of the Grand Master the deputy grand master shall fill his place.

In case of the death, absence or disability of the Grand Master and the deputy grand master the senior grand warden shall fill the place of the Grand Master.

In case of the absence or disability of all three the junior grand warden shall fill the place of the Grand Master.

In case of the death, absence, or disability of all the above named grand officers, the master of the oldest lodge shall be Grand Master.

- **37.** The office of Grand Master is never vacant.
- **38.** All vacancies shall be filled by the Grand Master.

Sovereignty and Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge

41. The Grand Lodge is the only source of authority, and exercises exclusive jurisdiction in all matters pertaining to Ancient Craft Masonry in the state of Illinois.

Clandestine Bodies

42. Any organization, association, parties, or persons professing to have any authority, powers or privileges in Ancient Craft Masonry, not derived from the Grand Lodge, within the state of Illinois, are declared to be clandestine, and all intercourse with or recognition of them, or any of them, is prohibited.

Powers of the Grand Lodge

- 45. The Grand Lodge may grant dispensations and charters for holding regular lodges of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, with the right to confer therein the several degrees of entered apprentice, fellow craft, and master mason, and when deemed expedient and for good cause may annul, revoke, or amend such dispensation or charter or any pre-existing dispensation or charter.
- 46. The Grand Lodge has original and exclusive jurisdiction over all subjects of masonic legislation and administration; appellate, judicial, and administrative jurisdiction from the decisions of masters, and from the decisions and acts of lodges, and, when expedient, has original judicial jurisdiction over its officers, members,

and masters. Its enactments and decisions upon all questions shall be the supreme masonic law of the jurisdiction.

- **47.** The Grand Lodge may assign the limits and fix the location of each lodge under its jurisdiction and settle all controversies that may arise between them, and has the final decision and determination of all matters of controversies or grievances which may be brought up by appeal or otherwise.
- **48.** The Grand Lodge may make and adopt general laws and regulations for the government of the several lodges under its jurisdiction, and at pleasure may amend or repeal the same.
- **49.** The Grand Lodge may assess and collect from the several lodges under its jurisdiction such sums of money annually as may be provided for by law and found necessary for the support and maintenance of the Grand Lodge.
- **50.** The Grand Lodge may supervise the state and condition of its own finances, and adopt such measures in relation thereto as may be deemed necessary.
- 51. The Grand Lodge may reprimand, suspend, or expel any member from its own body for a violation of the constitution, by-laws, or regulations of the Grand Lodge, or for any other unmasonic conduct, and may suspend or expel any accused mason upon appeal.
- **52.** The Grand Lodge shall at each annual meeting consider and review the reports and doings of its grand officers for the past year, as well as those of the several lodges under its jurisdiction.

- **53.** The Grand Lodge may establish a mileage and per diem rate for its officers, the representative highest in rank from each lodge, and its standing committees, for attendance at Grand Lodge, not exceeding five cents per mile each way and two dollars per day.
- **54.** The Grand Lodge may do whatsoever may be considered necessary to the well-being and perpetuity of Ancient Craft Masonry.

Powers of the Grand Master

- 57. The Grand Master has the power:
 - **A.** To convene the Grand Lodge in special meeting in case of emergency.
 - **B.** To preside at all special and stated meetings.
 - **C.** To exercise the executive functions of the Grand Lodge when not in session.
 - **D.** To decide all questions of usage, order, and masonic law.
 - **E.** To require the attendance of and information from any grand officers respecting his office.
 - **F.** To convene any lodge within the jurisdiction, and in person or by deputy to preside therein, with the master on his left hand, inspect their proceedings, and require their conformity to masonic rules.
 - **G.** To issue his dispensation to any regular lodge, or in person, to make a mason or confer any degree at will, subject only to the restraints of the ancient charges and the landmarks of masonry.

- **H.** To suspend the functions of any lodge for good reasons.
- **I.** To command every grand officer, and to call on any of them for advice and assistance on business relative to the craft.
- **J.** In person or by proxy appointed in writing to constitute lodges, dedicate masonic halls, and lay corner stones of masonic halls, public buildings and structures.
- **K.** To appoint representatives, by warrant, in any other recognized grand lodge, and receive and accredit such representatives from other grand lodges, but these appointments shall be limited to masters and past masters and shall expire at the end of five years, unless renewed. The failure of any representative to be present at Grand Lodge for two successive years may be considered as a resignation.
- **L.** To command the wardens or any member of a lodge which he may visit to act as warden for the time being.
- **M.** To see that the Ancient Landmarks and Charges are observed, and to do and perform the duties of Ancient Grand Master agreeably to the requirements of masonry and this Grand Lodge.

Forming New Lodges

- **60.** During the recess of the Grand Lodge the Grand Master may grant dispensations for new lodges.
- **61.** No dispensation shall be issued by order of the Grand Lodge or by the Grand Master in any city or

town having three or more chartered lodges (except the city of Chicago, where the recommending lodges must be three of the six nearest) without the recommendation of the three oldest lodges, nor in any other place, without the recommendation of the three nearest lodges; provided, however, that the Grand Lodge may, on the recommendation of the Grand Master, issue a dispensation for the formation of a new lodge outside a city or town having three or more lodges, on the recommendation of two out of the three nearest lodges.

- **62.** No petition for a new lodge shall be considered by any lodge until it has been laid over four weeks for consultation and consideration.
- **63.** No dispensation for a new lodge shall be issued until the sum of one hundred dollars has been paid to the grand secretary, which shall be in full for dispensation and charter fees.
- **64.** Every petition for a new lodge shall be signed by not less than twenty master masons, accompanied by a certificate from a grand lecturer that the proposed master is able to open and close a lodge and to confer the degrees of entered apprentice, fellow craft, and master mason correctly and in full, with a plat and description of the halls and ante-rooms to be occupied, and a statement in regard to the ownership, and use of the same.
- 65. No new lodge shall be established in towns and cities as follows: Where the population is less than 3,000, and there is one lodge; less than 6,000, and two lodges; less than 10,000, and three lodges; after which no new lodge shall be formed without an addition of 5,000 population for each one.

66. No dispensation or charter for constituting a new lodge shall be granted to any person or persons whomsoever, residing out of the state of Illinois, if within the jurisdiction of any other constitutional grand lodge.

Districts and District Deputy Grand Masters

- 69. The state shall be divided into fifty districts, having regard to population, lodges, and convenience. Said districts shall remain so until the year A. L. 5920, when the Grand Master shall divide the state into districts again, and every ten years thereafter. The districts may be changed in other than decennial years upon the recommendation of the Grand Master, confirmed by the Grand Lodge, and the districts may be defined by territorial limits or by designating what lodges shall constitute a district.
- **70.** One district deputy grand master shall be appointed and commissioned annually by the Grand Master in each district.
- 71. Each district deputy grand master shall be a resident of his respective district and a member of some lodge therein: *Provided*, that in case there shall be more than one district in a county the deputies for such districts must be residents of the county and members of lodges therein.
- 72. The Grand Master may at his discretion appoint a district deputy grand master, whose duty it shall be to look after the welfare of the German speaking lodges.
- 73. The duties of said district deputy grand masters shall be such as the Grand Master may generally or especially assign them, or as may be defined by law.

Instruction in Ritual

76. The Grand Master shall provide for thorough instruction in the work and lectures established by the Grand Lodge.

Amendment of the Constitution

79. This constitution may be amended in the following manner only: The proposed alteration, addition, or amendment must be submitted in writing at an annual meeting. If seconded by a majority vote of the Grand Lodge, it shall be entered upon the proceedings, and in some convenient form duly certified shall be immediately submitted to the several constituent lodges for their approval or rejection. If approved by two-thirds of the lodges, such amendment or alteration shall thenceforth be a part of the constitution, whereof the Grand Master shall cause due proclamation to be made.

Amendment of By-Laws

82. The by-laws for the government of constituent lodges which the Grand Lodge may enact in accordance with Code No. 48, page 26, may be amended in the following manner: Every alteration, addition, or amendment shall be proposed in writing at an annual meeting of the Grand Lodge. If seconded by twenty representatives it shall be referred to the committee on legislation, who shall consider and report thereon at the same or next meeting of the Grand Lodge. Every amendment to the by-laws shall lie over one year, be printed in the minutes, and if adopted by a two-thirds vote it shall become a part of the by-laws. No amendment to the by-laws

shall be voted on until the committee on legislation has reported thereon.

83. When a proposed amendment to the Grand Lodge by-laws comes before the Grand Lodge for action thereon, such pending amendment may at that time be amended in any manner germane to the pending amendment and tending to accomplish its general purpose, and such pending amendment as thus amended may in its amended form be then considered and adopted by the Grand Lodge.

Immediate Amendment

86. At the discretion of the Grand Master he may permit action to be taken by the Grand Lodge upon amendments to the by-laws of the Grand Lodge, with a view to their becoming immediately operative, in the following manner: The proposed amendment shall be submitted in writing, and if seconded by twenty representatives, referred to and favorably reported upon by the committee on legislation, and passed by unanimous vote of the Grand Lodge, such amendment shall at once become a part of the law.

Other Changes

89. Grand Lodge regulations, rules of order, and standing resolutions may be repealed, altered, or amended at any annual meeting by a vote of three-fifths of the legal vote present.

BY-LAWS RELATING TO THE GRAND LODGE

Grand Lodge Meetings

- 101. An annual meeting of the Grand Lodge shall be held in the city of Chicago on the second Tuesday in October in each year, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m., when if the requirements of Code No. 11, page 21, and Code Nos. 36, 37, and 38, pages 24 and 25, are complied with, the Grand Lodge may proceed to exercise the powers defined in the constitution, and transact such business and perform such duties, conformable to these by-laws, as may properly come before it: *Provided*, that a report from the committee on credentials showing a constitutional number of lodges represented shall precede any legislative action.
- 102. Special meetings of the Grand Lodge may be called as provided in Code No. 57A, page 27, but no business shall be transacted except such as shall have been previously stated in the call for such special meeting, which call must be sent to the lodges at least ten days previous to said meeting.
- 103. Occasional meetings of the Grand Lodge may be convened by the Grand Master, or by his special deputy, appointed in writing, for the purpose of constituting lodges, dedicating halls, laying corner stones, or other ceremonies requiring the aid of a Grand Lodge, but no

occasional Grand Lodge for the purposes herein specified shall be convened on Sunday.

Grand Lodge Committees

- 108. At each annual meeting of the Grand Lodge, as soon as practicable after it shall be convened, the Grand Master shall announce the names of the brethren appointed to serve, during the session, on the following committees, viz.:
 - **A.** A committee on credentials. [To consist of five members].
 - **B.** A committee on petitions.
 - **C.** A committee on obituaries.
 - **D.** A committee on Grand Master's annual report. [Each of which shall consist of three members.]
- 109. Before the close of each annual meeting of the Grand Lodge the Grand Master shall appoint the following standing committees, to serve for the ensuing masonic year, viz.:
 - **A.** A committee on masonic jurisprudence.
 - **B.** A committee on appeals and grievances.
 - **C.** A committee on returns and work of chartered lodges.
 - **D.** A committee on returns and work of lodges under dispensation.
 - **E.** A committee on mileage and per diem. [Each of which shall consist of five members.]
 - **F.** A committee on finance.
 - **G.** A committee on legislation.

 [Each of which shall consist of three members.]

- **H.** A committee on masonic correspondence. [To consist of one member.]
- **I.** Members of the boards of managers of masonic homes, as provided in Code No. 252, page 64.
- **110.** The Grand Master, deputy grand master, senior and junior grand wardens, grand treasurer, and grand secretary shall be *ex-officio* a committee on charity.
- **111.** The Grand Master, grand treasurer, and grand secretary shall be *ex-officio* a committee on printing.
- 112. The grand secretary shall be ex-officio grand librarian.

Election of Grand Lodge Officers

- 117. The annual election of officers of the Grand Lodge shall be held at the time and in the manner prescribed by Code Nos. 25, 26, 29, 30, 31, 33, pages 23 and 24.
- 118. In all elections in the Grand Lodge no nominations or suggestions for office shall be made.
- 119. In case of the death or other permanent disability of any of the grand officers during recess of the Grand Lodge the Grand Master shall appoint some qualified and competent brother to fill the vacancy until the next annual election and installation of officers.

DUTIES OF GRAND LODGE OFFICERS

The Grand Master

- 124. The Grand Master shall present, at each annual meeting of the Grand Lodge, a written report, setting forth such of his official acts and decisions during the year as he may deem proper; also, reporting the general condition of masonry within the jurisdiction, and recommending such legislation as he may deem necessary or expedient for the welfare of the fraternity. All edicts and decisions by the Grand Master shall have the force of law until the next meeting of the Grand Lodge, and no longer unless reported on by the committee on legislation and adopted by a two-thirds vote of the Grand Lodge.
- 125. The Grand Master may establish such rules of order (not otherwise provided for) during each session or the Grand Lodge as in his judgment may facilitate the dispatch of business, and may abrogate or suspend the same as occasion may require.
- 126. The "previous question" is unmasonic; and the making or entertaining such motion in the Grand Lodge or in any constituent lodge in this jurisdiction is irregular and unlawful. The same rule shall apply to a motion to "lay upon the table," except for a specified limited time, within the probable duration of the current session of the Grand Lodge or of a constituent lodge.
- 127. General parliamentary usage shall be in order in the Grand Lodge, or any constituent lodge in this jurisdiction, so far as it may be consistent with the principles of masonry, and in conformity with the by-laws, rules,

and regulations of the Grand Lodge and the by-laws and rules of the constituent lodge.

- 128. The Grand Master may appoint such a number of competent brethren as he may deem expedient as grand lecturers, and constitute them a board of examiners for the purposes referred to in Code No. 76, page 31, who shall perform the duties prescribed in Code Nos. 176, 177, 178 and 179, pages 49 and 50.
- 129. The salary of the Grand Master shall be twenty-five hundred dollars per annum, payable in monthly installments, which sum shall be in full financial compensation for the performance of the duties of his office, including stenographer and clerk hire; provided, that for such sums as he may expend for postage and stationery and incidental expenses the Grand Lodge may make appropriations upon presentation of itemized bills approved by the committee on finance.

The Deputy Grand Master and the Grand Wardens

134. It shall be the duty of the deputy grand master and the grand wardens to assist the Grand Master in the discharge of his duties, as he may direct, and to exercise the powers incident to the contingencies provided for in Code No. 36, page 24.

The Grand Treasurer

- 139. It shall be the duty of the grand treasurer:
 - **A.** To be present at the Grand Lodge at all its meetings, and to attend upon the Grand Master when required, with the books and necessary papers

appertaining to his office; and also, if required by the Grand Lodge or Grand Master, to attend with such books and papers upon any committee which may be appointed to act in relation to the fiscal concerns of the Grand Lodge.

- **B.** To receive all moneys belonging to the Grand Lodge from the grand secretary, to give him receipts therefor, and to keep, in suitable books, a just and accurate record thereof.
- **C.** To have in charge all securities, bonds, vouchers, and other fiscal property belonging to the Grand Lodge.
- **D.** To keep separate accounts, in detail, with each fund provided for in Code Nos. 224 to 233, pages 61 and 62.
- **E.** To invest all moneys of the various funds of the Grand Lodge which are in excess of current obligations in United States, state, county or municipal securities, in the name of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois. Such investment shall be made within thirty days after the funds shall have been received, and remain so invested until otherwise ordered by the Grand Lodge. The interest accruing upon such moneys shall be credited to the respective funds to which they belong.
- **F.** To pay all orders from the several funds of the Grand Lodge only when signed by the Grand Master and grand secretary.

- **G.** To report at each annual meeting a detailed account of his official receipts and disbursements, with proper vouchers for the latter, and to present a statement of the existing condition of the several funds and of the finances generally of the Grand Lodge.
- 140. The grand treasurer shall execute and file with the Grand Master, before his installation, an official bond, of the form suggested in Code No. 150, page 45, in such penal sum as may be prescribed by the Grand Lodge, with security to be approved by the Grand Master, conditioned that he will faithfully discharge the duties of his office as prescribed in these by-laws, and at the end of his term, or sooner, if lawfully required so to do, pay over and transfer to his successor in office all funds, securities, books, records, vouchers, or property belonging to the Grand Lodge which shall have come into his keeping.
- 141. The salary of the grand treasurer shall be four hundred dollars per annum, which shall be in full compensation for all his official services.

The Grand Secretary

- 146. It shall be the duty of the grand secretary:
 - **A.** To attend the Grand Lodge at all its meetings, and the Grand Master, or any committee of the Grand Lodge, when required by the Grand Master, with the books and necessary papers appertaining to his office, and place in the hands of appropriate committees all papers relative to matters of which they shall have jurisdiction.

- **B.** To keep a record of the returns made by all lodges in this jurisdiction; to receive and preserve all petitions, applications, appeals, and other documents addressed or belonging to the Grand Lodge; to record all transactions of the Grand Lodge which are proper to be written, and to present such unfinished or other business as may require its action at each meeting thereof.
- **C.** To receive all moneys due to the Grand Lodge, keep a correct detailed account thereof in suitable books, and pay such moneys monthly to the grand treasurer.
- **D.** To notify all persons to whom the Grand Lodge may be justly indebted for supplies or for any service whatsoever to present their respective claims on or before the day of meeting of the finance committee if during vacation, or the same committee if during the session of the Grand Lodge.
- **E.** To report to the Grand Lodge, at each annual meeting, a detailed account of all moneys received by him during the preceding masonic year, with a specified statement of the sources whence they were derived, and to present therewith the receipts of the grand treasurer therefor.
- **F.** To keep the seal of the Grand Lodge, and affix the same, with his attestation, to all instruments emanating from that body, and to all official documents and writings of the Grand Master as he may direct; also to affix said seal to, and officially attest, any masonic certificate, diploma, or other proper

document for the use of an individual brother, when requested by a lodge in this jurisdiction of which said brother may be a member.

- **G.** To conduct the correspondence of the Grand Lodge, under the direction of the Grand Master, and, if required, submit copies thereof at each annual meeting for inspection.
- **H.** To issue notices of any special meeting ordered by the Grand Master to each grand officer and lodge within the jurisdiction.
- **I.** To furnish each lodge in this jurisdiction, at least ninety days previous to each annual meeting, with duplicate blank forms upon which to make returns of work, etc., and furnish such instructions in regard to them as the laws and regulations of the Grand Lodge may require.
- **J.** To examine, during the recess of the Grand Lodge, the proceedings and work of all the chartered lodges, as shown in the returns made to the Grand Lodge at its last annual meeting, and to compare the same with those of the preceding year, recording all errors discovered, and report the same at the next session of the Grand Lodge; also to report all lodges in arrears for dues, or which have neglected or refused to comply with any requirements of the laws and regulations of the Grand Lodge.
- **K.** To transmit to each lodge in this jurisdiction, once in each quarter, a list of all rejections of petitions for degrees, suspensions, expulsions, and re-

instatements of which he shall have been notified by the several lodges: *Provided*, that no notice of rejection shall be so transmitted until after the expiration of thirty days from the date thereof; nor shall any publicity be given, by circular or otherwise, to any suspension or expulsion pending an appeal, nor until the time for such appeal has expired; nor shall the names of brethren who have been rejected for membership by affiliation be published at any time or in any manner.

- **L.** 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 charter 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.
- **M.** To cause the journal of the proceedings of each annual meeting to be printed (unless otherwise ordered by the Grand Lodge) with all convenient dispatch, together with the names, titles and places of address of the grand officers and grand lecturers; the names of such grand officers as are *ex-officio* permanent members; and such tabulated masonic statistics as may be deemed proper: *Provided*, that none of the details of masonic trials emanating from the committee on appeals and grievances, the

name of the accused, or the offense charged, shall be published in the printed proceedings, but that the grand secretary shall number such cases, giving the name and number of the lodge, and the final action of the Grand Lodge thereon.

- **N.** To furnish every grand officer, elected or appointed, with a certificate, under seal, of his election or appointment.
- O. To forward three copies of the proceedings (one of which shall be a bound copy having the name and number of the lodge printed thereon) to each lodge in this jurisdiction; ten copies to the Grand Master; two copies to each past grand master who shall be a member of some lodge in this jurisdiction; and one copy to each grand officer enumerated in Code No. 14, page 21; one copy to each representative of the Grand Lodge near other grand lodges; one copy to each grand master, and two copies to each grand lodge in the United States and elsewhere that may be in fraternal communication with the Grand Lodge.
- **P.** To compare with the original manuscript and carefully correct five bound copies of the proceedings, approved by the Grand Lodge, of each annual meeting; certify to the same, under the seal of the Grand Lodge, as true and correct copies, and file them among the archives thereof, with said manuscript copy.
- **Q.** To furnish to the committee on masonic correspondence the proceedings of other grand lodges,

and all documents relating thereto, received during recess, and which, when returned to him, shall be filed in the archives of the Grand Lodge.

- **R.** To record the substance of every charter issued by the Grand Lodge, the names of the grand officers signed thereto, and the names of the charter members of the lodge.
- **S.** To issue specifications and invite, by circular or public advertisement, at least ninety days before each annual meeting, sealed proposals for the Grand Lodge printing for the ensuing masonic year; and, upon an award, to represent the Grand Lodge in executing a contract for said work.
- **T.** To act as grand librarian, under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Grand Lodge.
- 147. The grand secretary may recommend to the Grand Master, for appointment, a deputy grand secretary, for whose official acts he shall be responsible.
- 148. The grand secretary shall execute and file with the Grand Master, before his installation, an official bond in such penal sum as may be prescribed by the Grand Lodge, with such security as shall be approved by the Grand Master, conditioned that he will faithfully discharge the duties of his office as prescribed by these bylaws.
- 149. For the due performance of the duties hereinbefore prescribed, and for his deputy, and all necessary clerk hire and office rent, the grand secretary shall receive, as full compensation, the sum of three thousand

dollars per annum, payable in monthly installments: *Provided*, that for payment of sums actually expended for postage, express charges, and incidental official expenses the Grand Lodge may make appropriations, upon presentation of itemized bills, approved by the finance committee.

150. The bond required to be given by the grand treasurer and grand secretary respectively shall be in the following form:

The condition of the foregoing obligation is such that whereas the above bounden has been duly elected as Grand of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois for the ensuing masonic year of said Grand Lodge. Now if the said as such Grand......shall well and truly do and perform the duties of his said office as such Grand, as prescribed by the laws and regulations of said Grand Lodge or as may be during his said term of office lawfully required of him, and shall faithfully keep and preserve all books, records, moneys and things of value belonging to said Grand Lodge, and coming to his hands by virtue of his said office, and shall faithfully account for the same when so required and shall pay over to his successor in office all such books, records, moneys and things of value, then this obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

As witness our hards and seals on this...day of...A. D. 19...
(Seal.)
(Seal.)
(Seal.)
(Seal.)
(Seal.)

Duties of the Appointive Grand Officers

- 155. It shall be the duty of the grand chaplain, grand orator, deputy grand secretary, grand pursuivant, grand marshal, grand standard bearer, grand sword bearer, senior grand deacon, junior grand deacon, and the grand stewards to perform such services incident to their respective offices as the traditions and usages of the craft prescribe, and such as the Grand Lodge or the Grand Master may direct.
- **156.** It shall be the duty of the grand tyler:
 - **A.** To guard the entrance of the Grand Lodge; report all applicants for admission to the grand pursuivant; announce their names and masonic addresses, and see that all who enter are duly qualified and properly clothed.
 - **B.** To make suitable preparations for the accommodation of the Grand Lodge at all its meetings, and see that its halls and rooms are kept in a proper condition during the session.
 - **C.** To take charge of and safely keep the jewels, furniture, clothing, and paraphernalia of the Grand Lodge, during its meetings and during recess, unless otherwise provided for by the Grand Lodge or the Grand Master.
 - **D.** To serve all notices and all summonses, and perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Grand Lodge or the Grand Master.
- 157. The grand tyler shall receive for his services such compensation as the Grand Lodge may direct.

- 158. The foregoing officers shall be appointed as provided in Code No. 226, page 23.
- 159. No brother shall hold more than one office in the Grand Lodge at the same time.

The District Deputy Grand Masters

- 164. Each district deputy grand master, when duly commissioned as such, shall, during his official term, succeed to all the rights and privileges provided in Code No. 4, page 20, and Code No. 14, page 21; provided, however, that nothing therein shall be construed to exempt any district deputy grand master from the disciplinary jurisdiction of the lodge of which he is a member, except that for his official acts he is responsible alone to the Grand Lodge or to the Grand Master.
- 165. Each district deputy grand master shall visit every lodge in his district at least once in each year, and thoroughly examine its records and accounts, and fully inform himself as to the condition of the lodge, and make report to the Grand Master in each case. He shall inquire into the administration of the lodge affairs and make such suggestions to the officers as seem necessary to insure a full compliance with Grand Lodge by-laws. The district deputy grand masters shall perform such other duties as may from time to time be assigned to them by the Grand Master. For the necessary expenses accruing from the performance of their duties an itemized bill shall be rendered to the Grand Master, who may pay the same from the Grand Lodge funds if for the performance of routine duty, or order its payment by the lodge if for special duty.

166. Each district deputy grand master shall make an annual report to the Grand Master thirty days prior to the meeting of the Grand Lodge, setting forth his official acts during the year, the state of masonry within his jurisdiction, the condition of the lodges in his district, and suggesting such measures as to him may appear conducive to the general good of the fraternity; which report shall be laid before the Grand Lodge and published with the proceedings.

The Grand Librarian

- 171. It shall be the duty of the grand librarian:
 - **A.** To take charge of the Grand Lodge library, and have such volumes present at any session of the Grand Lodge as may be required for the use of the grand officers, committees, or members.
 - **B.** To take a receipt for every volume delivered, and in case of failure to duly return the same to require of the lodge of which the delinquent is a member payment in double the amount of the value of such volume, to be collected with the annual dues of such lodge.
 - **C.** To select, and with the consent and approval of the Grand Master, deputy grand master, grand wardens, and grand treasurer, purchase such books, charts, magazines, and other documents as may be deemed necessary and proper and procure the binding of such volumes and documents as may be deemed expedient: *Provided*, the expense of such purchase and binding shall not exceed the sum of one hundred dollars in any one year, unless special

appropriation shall be made therefor by the Grand Lodge.

D. To appoint, when necessary, a deputy grand librarian, to serve only during the annual session.

The Grand Examiners

- 176. It shall be the duty of the grand examiners who may be appointed by the Grand Master to examine without fee all applicants for commissions as grand lecturers, who may present themselves for that purpose, and report to the Grand Master upon the qualifications of such applicants. The board of grand examiners shall hold schools of instruction at such time and place as the Grand Master may order, and perform such other duties incident to their position as he may direct: Provided, that no brother shall be recommended for a commission unless at least two of the grand examiners have personal knowledge of his proficiency and have satisfied themselves of his fitness and qualifications in other respects.
- 177. The commissions of the grand examiners and of the grand lecturers shall expire at the close of the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge, unless sooner revoked by the Grand Master.
- 178. The grand examiners, upon an order from the Grand Master, shall attend the annual meetings of the Grand Lodge, and when so ordered shall act as a committee to examine visiting brethren, and shall be entitled to the mileage and per diem provided for representatives.
- 179. The Grand Master may, at his discretion, call meetings of two or more members of the board of grand

examiners for the purpose of examining without fee, masters and past masters who are applicants for the recommendation of the board for commissions as grand lecturers.

- **A.** All applicants for commissions as grand lecturers shall be thoroughly examined as to their proficiency in the work, ritual and lectures authorized by the Grand Lodge, and as to their knowledge of the principles, laws, rules, regulations, customs and usages of the fraternity.
- **B.** Members of the board of grand examiners conducting an examination shall satisfy themselves that applicants for commissions are of good moral character, unblemished reputation, and exemplary habits, and that they possess the qualifications necessary to make them successful teachers.
- **C.** Meetings of members of the board of grand examiners called by the Grand Master to examine applicants for commissions as grand lecturers may continue two days, if necessary, and members of the board attending by order of the Grand Master shall be entitled to mileage and per diem the same as paid to members of Grand Lodge committees.

COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

Committee on Credentials

184. It shall be the duty of the committee on credentials, at each annual meeting:

- **A.** To examine with care the credentials of all masons claiming the right of membership in the Grand Lodge.
- **B.** To list properly the names of all grand officers and members; also the name of every representative, with the name and number of his lodge, and his official position therein.
- **C.** To require from each brother presenting himself as a proxy a written commission, signed by the master or warden of his lodge whom he represents.
- **D.** To have a report prepared upon the matters herein prescribed and present the same to the Grand Lodge immediately after its opening.

Committee on Legislation

- **185.** It shall be the duty of the committee on legislation:
 - **A.** To consider all propositions to amend the bylaws of the Grand Lodge, after the same have been seconded by the Grand Lodge, and report to the Grand Lodge its recommendation as to action thereon.
 - **B.** To put all decisions by the Grand Master into the form of law and report the same to the Grand Lodge.

Committee on Finance

- **186.** It shall be the duty of the committee on finance:
 - **A.** To examine and compare the books, papers and vouchers, and accounts of the Grand Master, grand treasurer, and grand secretary, and make sep-

arate detailed reports thereon and submit the same to the Grand Lodge before the close of each annual session.

- **B.** To examine and report upon all accounts and financial matters referred to them during each session, and also report the financial condition of the Grand Lodge.
- **C.** To present, before the close of each annual meeting, an estimate of the probable expenses of the ensuing year, giving each class of expenditures under its proper head, and recommend such amount as they may deem necessary therefor.
- **D.** To destroy all Grand Lodge orders surrendered to them by the grand treasurer, after being satisfied that the same have been paid, canceled, and properly listed, and a report on the same has been duly approved by the Grand Lodge.
- **E.** To convene, at such place as the chairman thereof may determine, on or about the 15th day of December, March, June, and September respectively of each year, and investigate all bills or other demands against the Grand Lodge which may be presented to them. If, for any reason, said committee shall fail to meet at the time herein specified, the chairman thereof may call a meeting at such time and place as the interests of the Grand Lodge may require.
- **F.** To audit no bill or other demand not fully authorized by the Grand Lodge, or provided for in these by-laws. When any valid claim shall be found

correct it shall be approved by the committee, or a majority of them, and returned to the grand secretary, who shall draw a warrant on the grand treasurer for the amount.

G. The committee on finance shall make a full, detailed report of its doings during the year, and submit the same to the Grand Lodge for approval.

Committee on Petitions

- **187.** It shall be the duty of the committee on petitions, at each annual meeting:
 - **A.** To report upon all petitions for change of location, or change of name, of any chartered lodge.
 - **B.** To report upon all petitions to the Grand Lodge for the reinstatement of expelled masons, and those suspended by the Grand Lodge: *Provided*, that such petitions shall be made as required by law; *provided further*, that no such petition shall contain anything that can be construed as an appeal from the action of any lodge or the master thereof.
 - **C.** To report upon all other matters which may be referred to them by the Grand Master or the Grand Lodge.

Committee on Obituaries .

188. It shall be the duty of the committee on obituaries to make such report relative to deceased brethren as they may deem appropriate.

Committee on Grand Master's Report

189. It shall be the duty of the committee on the Grand Master's report to subdivide the same and refer the several matters therein contained to the appropriate committees, and to consider and report upon all special matters therein not otherwise referable.

Committee on Jurisprudence

190. It shall be the duty of the committee on masonic jurisprudence to consider and report to the Grand Lodge concerning such questions, documents, papers and decisions of masonic law and usage as may be referred to them.

Committee on Appeals and Grievances

191. It shall be the duty of the committee on appeals and grievances to report, with such recommendations as they may deem proper, upon all appeals from the proceedings or decisions of any lodge, or the master thereof, and upon all papers and documents relating to any matters of complaint or grievance, appertaining to masonic discipline, which may be referred to them.

Committee on Chartered Lodges

- **192.** It shall be the duty of the committee on returns and work of chartered lodges:
 - **A.** To examine the returns of the proceedings and work of all chartered lodges for the preceding year.
 - **B.** To make a tabulated report, showing the number of resident and non-resident members; the number admitted, initiated, passed, raised, dimitted,

deceased, rejected, reinstated, suspended and expelled; also, showing the net increase and decrease of the membership of each lodge for the year; also the proper amount of dues due the Grand Lodge.

C. To give such additional information as may be deemed necessary: *Provided*, that an examination and comparison of the returns shall not be made with those of lodges made in any previous year.

Committee on Lodges Under Dispensation

- 193. It shall be the duty of the committee on the returns and work of lodges under dispensation:
 - **A.** To examine the returns of work, the records of proceedings, and the by-laws of lodges under dispensation.
 - **B.** To make a tabulated report showing the regularity of the work and proceedings; the correctness of the records and by-laws; the number admitted, initiated, passed, raised, rejected, and deceased; the number of brethren acting as members, together with the name and number of lodges, and the locality in which they may be established.
 - **C.** To report such other information and make such recommendations to the Grand Lodge as they may deem necessary, including the opinion of the committee as to whether the lodge while under dispensation has shown such knowledge of the law and such disposition to obey it as to justify the committee in recommending that a charter be issued.

Committee on Mileage and Per Diem

- 194. It shall be the duty of the committee on mileage and per diem:
 - **A.** To ascertain the distance necessarily traveled by each officer, member of, or representative to the Grand Lodge who may be entitled to mileage and per diem.
 - **B.** To record the same in tabular form, showing the name and title of the officer, member or representative; the name and number of their respective lodges; the actual number of miles necessarily traveled from the location of his lodge by each respectively; the actual number of days' service; the amount due therefor respectively (as provided in Code No. 243, page 63), and enter the same upon the certificate of enrollment issued by the committee on credentials.
 - **C.** To refuse to enter upon the certificate of enrollment, or to include in their report as entitled to mileage or per diem, the name of any representative who fails to produce the receipt of the grand secretary showing that the dues of his lodge were paid on or before the fifteenth day of August.
 - **D.** To record the number of days' service actually performed by each member of all committees, and report the same to the Grand Lodge.

Committee on Masonic Correspondence

195. It shall be the duty of the committee on masonic correspondence:

- **A.** To examine all the printed or written proceedings or other documents emanating from other grand lodges in correspondence with this Grand Lodge, and report at each annual meeting whatever may seem of sufficient importance and interest to the craft.
- **B.** To prepare a report in time to have the same printed at least ten days prior to the meeting of the Grand Lodge under the regulations prescribed in Code No. 198, page 58, for the use of the members at the next annual session of the Grand Lodge.
- **C.** To return to the grand secretary, after such report is complete, all the proceedings and other documents received from other jurisdictions and belonging to the Grand Lodge.

Committee on Printing

196. It shall be the duty of the committee on printing to meet at the office of the grand secretary at least ninety days before each annual session of the Grand Lodge, and there open and compute all bids for printing for the Grand Lodge, and award contracts therefor to the lowest and best bidders.

Committee on Charity

197. It shall be the duty of the committee on charity to investigate all applications for assistance from the charity fund of the Grand Lodge, and to draw upon the same through the grand treasurer for such amounts as, in their judgment, are necessary: *Provided*, that not more than one hundred dollars shall be donated upon any

one application, unless by special order of the Grand Lodge; and, provided, also, that all donations shall be reported to the Grand Lodge.

- 198. All committees of the Grand Lodge shall assemble at such time and place as the Grand Master may direct, and shall submit their respective reports at such time as the Grand Lodge or Grand Master may order.
- 199. The committees herein provided for, except those on charity and library, shall be considered standing committees, within the meaning of Code No. 53, page 27.

Eligibility in the Grand Lodge

- **204.** No brother shall be eligible to hold office in or serve upon any committee of the Grand Lodge, unless qualified as provided in Code No. 21, page 22.
- 205. Any brother master mason in good standing, subject to the restrictions of Code Nos. 212 and 213, page 59, shall be eligible to represent his lodge in Grand Lodge, during the annual session thereof, in the manner provided in Code No. 31, page 24.
- **206.** A brother, after taking his seat as a member, shall not be allowed to retire without permission of the Grand Lodge or Grand Master.
- 207. No one except members of or representatives to the Grand Lodge shall be admitted to the floor thereof, or permitted to speak on any matter before the Grand Lodge, without permission of the Grand Lodge or Grand Master; provided, however, that any master mason in

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good standing, upon being properly vouched for, may occupy a seat provided for visitors.

- **208.** Every member of the Grand Lodge making a motion, or speaking to a question, shall announce his name and the number of the lodge he represents.
- **209.** Every member entitled to vote shall, unless excused by the Grand Lodge or Grand Master, vote on all questions coming before the Grand Lodge.
- **210.** No brother shall act as a grand lecturer within the state of Illinois without a commission from the Grand Master, nor unless he shall be a present or actual past master.
- **211.** Electioneering in any way for one's self for office in the Grand Lodge is prohibited as unmasonic, and any member found guilty of the offense shall be ineligible to office; and, if already in office, shall forfeit the office held by him.
- 212. Whenever the master or a warden of a lodge shall be unable to attend the meeting of the Grand Lodge the officer who cannot so attend may appoint any member of his own lodge in good standing as his proxy to represent the lodge in Grand Lodge, and the proxy so appointed shall be entitled to the same privileges and subject to the same penalties as the officer appointing him. Such appointment shall be in writing, signed by the officer giving the proxy and recorded by the Committee on Credentials. (See Code No. 184C, page 51.)
- **213.** No brother shall represent more than one lodge at the same time, either as an official representative or as a proxy. All commissions and proxies shall expire with the closing of the Grand Lodge.

Grand Lodge Revenue

- **218.** The revenue of the Grand Lodge shall be derived from the following sources, to-wit:
 - **A.** For every dispensation to form a new lodge, one hundred dollars, which amount shall include the fee for a charter in case the Grand Lodge shall subsequently issue the same.
 - **B.** For every dispensation issued to ballot upon a petition for or to authorize conferring the degree of entered apprentice in less than lawful time, twenty dollars for each petitioner so acted upon, which sum must be paid before the dispensation is issued.
 - **C.** For every dispensation issued to authorize conferring the degree of fellow craft or master mason, in less than lawful time, five dollars, said sum to be paid for each degree for every candidate passed or raised.
 - **D.** For every dispensation issued for any other purpose, two dollars.
 - **E.** For each member of every chartered lodge under this jurisdiction ninety cents annually.
 - **F.** For every master mason whose name is upon the roll of any lodge under dispensation, and who is not a member of some chartered lodge in this jurisdiction, ninety cents annually, the same to be paid by such lodge under dispensation.
- **219.** The foregoing fees and dues shall be paid into the treasury of the Grand Lodge within thirty days after the same are received.

GRAND LODGE FUNDS

- **224.** The Grand Lodge financial account with constituent lodges shall commence each year on the first day of July and end on the thirtieth day of June.
- **225.** The accounts of the Grand Lodge shall be kept under five heads, viz.:
 - A. The general fund.
 - **B.** The charity fund.
 - **C.** The Illinois masonic home fund.
 - **D.** The Illinois masonic orphans' home fund.
 - **E.** The home for the aged fund.

The General Fund

226. The general fund shall consist of all moneys paid into the Grand Lodge, except those belonging to or especially designated for some one of the other funds.

The Charity Fund

227. The charity fund shall consist of all moneys especially donated or set apart therefor, and such as may accrue by virtue of the provisions of Code No. 678, page 122.

The Illinois Masonic Home Fund

228. The Illinois masonic home fund shall consist of the income derived from the property at Sullivan and such sums as may be collected or appropriated by the Grand Lodge for the home at that place, together with all donations or bequests that may be made therefor and any interest accruing thereon.

The Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home Fund

229. The Illinois masonic orphans' home fund shall consist of the moneys and securities received and held in trust by the Grand Lodge from the Illinois masonic orphans' home at LaGrange, together with such sums as may be collected or specifically appropriated therefor from time to time by the Grand Lodge, and the accretions thereto from interest, donations, or bequests.

The Home for the Aged Fund

230. The home for the aged fund shall consist of the moneys and securities received and held in trust by the Grand Lodge from the Illinois masonic home for the aged, and the accretions thereto from interest, donations or bequests.

- **231.** The necessary funds for the ordinary expenses of the Grand Lodge shall be appropriated annually from the general fund, and shall be of such amount as may be necessary to meet the current expenses during the recess of the Grand Lodge; such appropriations to be deternined as provided in Code No. 186C, page 52, and be approved by a vote of the Grand Lodge.
- **232.** The grand secretary and grand treasurer shall keep a separate account with each of the foregoing funds showing in detail all receipts and expenditures.
- **233.** The unexpended balance of all appropriations at the commencement of each annual meeting shall be transferred by the grand treasurer to the respective funds from which the appropriations were made.

Grand Lodge Expenditures

- **238.** No proposition contemplating the appropriation or expenditure of any money from the general fund shall be put upon its final passage until it shall have been considered and reported upon by some committee of the Grand Lodge.
- **239.** No money shall be paid from the amount appropriated for the expenses of the Grand Lodge except in the manner provided in Code No. 186F, page 52.
- **240.** No money shall be paid from the charity fund except as prescribed in Code No. 197, page 57, unless regularly appropriated by vote of the Grand Lodge:
- **241.** No money shall be paid to grand officers, members, or representatives, for mileage or per diem until the close of each annual meeting, unless otherwise ordered by the Grand Lodge.
- **242.** Every account against the Grand Lodge shall be in detail, and show upon its face each item composing the whole claim.
- **243.** The grand officers designated in Code No. 14, page 21, 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 session 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 (the highest in rank) 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. No one shall receive mileage or per diem in more than one capacity.

- **244.** Any grand officer, representative, or member of a committee, who shall be absent during two successive sittings of the Grand Lodge, except for sickness or other good cause (of the sufficiency of which the Grand Lodge shall be the judge), or by the authority of the Grand Lodge or Grand Master, shall forfeit all claim to mileage and per diem.
- **245.** The members of the board of managers of the masonic homes shall be considered as a standing committee and be entitled to mileage and per diem for attendance at Grand Lodge.
- **246.** Every grand officer shall be entitled to be reimbursed for any moneys actually expended in the necessary discharge of his official duties, but in all cases the claims for such reimbursement shall be subject to the requirements of Code No. 186F, page 52.
- **247.** All claims for delinquent mileage must be made before the close of the session of the Grand Lodge next succeeding the time when the mileage should have been allowed.

The Masonic Homes

252. The supervision and management of the masonic homes established or controlled by the Grand Lodge shall be vested in a board of managers consisting of two *ex*-

officio and six appointive members, each of whom shall be a member of some constituent lodge in Illinois. The terms of office of the six appointive members shall be for three years, or until their successors have been duly appointed and qualified. The Grand Master is empowered to appoint two members of the board of managers each year, immediately after his election and installation to office, and the Grand Master and deputy grand master shall be ex-officio members of the board of managers. The board of managers may effect its own organization, and administer its affairs by such sub-committees, and by the adoption of such rules and regulations as are not inconsistent with Grand Lodge by-laws, subject at all times to the approval of the Grand Master or the Grand Lodge.

- **253.** The board of managers shall submit annually a report to the Grand Lodge, exhibiting in detail all its transactions during the preceding year, including all receipts and expenditures, and the reception, maintenance and discharge of members of the homes under their charge, together with such recommendations for consideration of the Grand Lodge in reference to the homes as they may deem proper; all of which shall be published in the annual proceedings of the Grand Lodge.
- 254. The board of managers is authorized and empowered to employ such assistants for the clerical and administrative work of maintaining the homes as in their judgment the conditions demand, but always within the limits of the appropriation or resources at their command, being expressly prohibited from incurring any liability not provided for in advance by said appropriations or other resources.

- **255.** The members of the board of managers shall be entitled to receive from the appropriations made for the homes their actual and necessary traveling expenses incurred in attending the meetings of the board of managers not to exceed four in each year; provided, howevever, that the officers of the board of managers or members of sub-committees shall be reimbursed for all actual and necessary traveling expenses which they incur in the discharge of duties regularly assigned to them by the board of managers.
- **256.** No money appropriated for the maintenance and management of the respective masonic homes shall be paid out by the board of managers thereof except upon the warrant of the president of the board of managers duly attested by its secretary.

BY-LAWS RELATING TO THE LODGES

Organization of Lodges

- **300.** Every lodge shall consist of a master, senior warden, junior warden, treasurer, secretary, senior deacon, junior deacon, tyler and such other officers as its by-laws may provide for, and of as many members as it may find convenient.
- **301.** No lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons can legally assemble in this state unless authorized to do so by a dispensation from the Grand Master or a charter from the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois.

Powers of Lodges

- **306.** The powers of a lodge are such as are prescribed in its charter or letter of dispensation, by the constitution, by-laws and regulations of the Grand Lodge, the landmarks and general regulations of masonry, and its own by-laws, when in conformity therewith, and are defined as follows:
 - **A.** The Executive, which relate to the direction and performance of its work, under the control of the master, who is the superior executive officer of the lodge.

- **B.** The Legislative, which embrace all matters of legislation relative to the internal concerns of the lodge which are not in violation of its own by-laws, the general regulations of masonry, the constitution and by-laws of the Grand Lodge, and the orders and edicts of the Grand Master.
- **C.** The Judicial, which embrace the exercise of discipline over, and the settlement of difficulties between, all its own members (except the master), and all masons and non-affiliated brethren within its jurisdiction, subject always to a review by the Grand Lodge upon appeal.
- **307.** All lodges should be designated Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. The proper initials are A.F. and A.M.

Duties of Lodges

- 312. It shall be the duty of each lodge:
 - **A.** To hold at least one stated meeting in each month.
 - **B.** To annually elect and install its officers.
 - **C.** To provide for its meetings a safe and suitable room.
 - **D.** To keep a full and proper record of its transactions.
 - **E.** To make a full report thereof annually to the Grand Lodge.
 - **F.** To pay its annual dues to the Grand Lodge, punctually.

- **G.** To have a code of by-laws which shall conform to the constitution, by-laws, and regulations of the Grand Lodge, and not violate the ancient landmarks.
- **H.** To have a suitable seal, and file an impression thereof with the grand secretary.
- 313. Every lodge shall have all official communications from the Grand Master or grand secretary read in open lodge at the stated meeting next following their receipt. By receiving communications is meant reading them to the lodge while opened on the third degree. All matters which require action at the stated meeting after they have been received must be read to the lodge while opened on the third degree and acted on at the following or some subsequent stated meeting. Quarterly circulars from the grand secretary may be placed on file after the secretary of the lodge has announced to the lodge that he has received them.
- **314.** All correspondence of lodges with masonic bodies outside of Illinois, except in cases of emergency, shall be conducted through the Grand Master of this Grand Lodge.
- **315.** The discussion of political, sectarian, or other subjects not of a strictly masonic character is prohibited in all lodges in this jurisdiction.
- **316.** The annual dues assessed by a lodge shall be uniform, each member paying the same amount, and no lodge shall levy a special tax or assessment upon its members other than the dues prescribed by its by-laws.
- **317.** A lodge cannot amend its by-laws by less than a two-thirds vote, nor unless the proposed amendment shall

have been offered in writing at a stated meeting at least four weeks previous, and all resident members notified of the proposed change, and the time of action thereon, which notice shall be sent to members at least two weeks before action.

- **318.** Appeals for aid are by masonic usage confined to the assistance of a needy worthy brother, his widow and orphans. No mason's obligation enjoins him to contribute to assist his own or any other lodge in erecting buildings.
- **319.** No lodge, officer, or member thereof shall grant a certificate or recommendation whereby any mason may apply to lodges or members thereof for relief.
- **320.** A lodge cannot append standing resolutions to their by-laws to compel their members to wait upon sick brethren, or care for and nurse their families in case of sickness, or furnish a substitute, and in case of refusal or neglect, assess a sum of money equivalent to such service.
- **321.** Smoking in open lodge during the conferring of any part of the several degrees is prohibited, and the master is responsible for the strict enforcement of this by-law.
- **322.** The care of a sick and destitute sojourning brother is a legitimate burden of masonry, to be borne to the extent of their ability by the masons among whom his lot may be cast, without the expectation of pecuniary return.
- 323. The burial of the dead is a duty, the performance of which affords no ground for a claim to reim-

bursement from the lodge to which a sick or dying brother may belong, unless said lodge has authorized the same.

- **324.** A lodge shall not, on any pretense, introduce intoxicating liquors, or permit their use as a beverage, in any of its premises.
- **325.** All lodges and the members thereof are strictly forbidden to give, or attempt to give, the aid or countenance of masonry, in organized or individual form, to any raffle, lottery or gift enterprise.
- **326.** Every document or paper whatsoever, designed for masonic use, emanating from a chartered lodge, to be valid, shall have an impression of its seal affixed and be attested by the master or secretary.
- 327. No mason under this jurisdiction shall appear in any public procession, or in any private or public assembly, with masonic clothing, unless under the auspices of some regular lodge; nor shall any lodge unless by special dispensation of the Grand Master take part in any public procession, except to perform or assist in some ceremony recognized as strictly masonic, such as burying the fraternal dead, public installation of officers, laying corner stones, dedicating masonic halls, etc. A masonic lodge cannot properly be seen in public merely for show or to help others to make a show. Lodges cannot act as escort to any other body, whether other organization be composed in part or wholly of masons

Meetings of Lodges

- **332.** The meetings of lodges are stated and special.
- **333.** Stated meetings are those held at the time prescribed by the by-laws; and at such meetings all general business, such as balloting for candidates for the degrees, or for membership, election of officers, and the discussion of questions relative to the interests of the fraternity shall be transacted in a lodge of master masons.
- **334.** Special meetings may be called in the discretion of the master, by giving due notice to the resident members; but no business except trials (Code No. 837C, page 133), conferring of degrees, or ceremonial observances (including the necessary examination of candidates for advancement) shall be transacted; nor shall any lodge be convened on Sunday, except for funeral purposes.
- 335. When a lodge has been regularly opened on the first, second and third degrees for a special meeting on the date of a stated meeting, but earlier than the hour named in the by-laws for stated meetings, the special may be changed to a stated without going through the ceremonies of closing and again opening, but in the following manner only, viz.: At a time not less than fifteen nor more than forty-five minutes after the hour named in the by-laws for the stated meetings, the master shall announce in open lodge that the hour for the stated meeting having arrived, and the lodge having been opened on the first, second and third degrees in form, further work in the special meeting will be dispensed with and the business of the stated taken up. The records

shall show that the above declaration was made by the master, and give the names of the officers occupying the various stations and places. At the proper time the meeting shall be closed on the third, second and first degrees in form.

- **336.** No lodge shall remain closed beyond the time prescribed in its by-laws for holding stated meetings except by dispensation of the Grand Master.
- **337.** No lodge shall be opened on any degree unless there are present at least *seven master masons*; nor shall any balloting or other business be done (except conferring degrees) unless there are present at least *seven members of the lodge*, of whom the tyler, if a member of the lodge, may be one.
- **338.** The master cannot authorize anyone to open the lodge or preside in his absence, to the exclusion of a warden present; and in the absence of the master and both the wardens a lodge cannot be opened for any purpose, nor can its business or work be carried on, except by the Grand Master or his *special* proxy, appointed in writing.
- **339.** Nothing shall be done in any lodge while opened on the first or second degree except what appertains to the work and lectures of those degrees, or the taking of testimony upon charges preferred against an entered apprentice or fellow craft.
- **340.** It is irregular and unlawful for a lodge to hold meetings for work in two separate halls at the same time.
- **341.** The records of the proceedings of a lodge, after having been regularly approved by the lodge, shall not

be altered or any part thereof expunged at any subsequent meeting, except by dispensation of the Grand Master.

- **342**. The use of the "loose leaf" system for keeping the minutes of a lodge is prohibited, but a card index system may be used to keep the financial records.
- **343.** All notices emanating from lodges or their officers shall be sent to members under sealed cover: *Provided*, that the bare notice of time and place of meeting and the degree to be conferred may be published or be sent by postal card, but no details of work to be done or business transacted or the names of candidates, or those taking part in the work shall be sent out in any form
- **344.** A lodge shall not transact any business involving final action by vote of the lodge at any meeting after the work of conferring degrees has begun.
- **345.** The conferring of more than seven degrees by any lodge during any one day is prohibited.
- **346.** A lodge, when opened on any degree, may be called from labor to refreshment for a specified time, but not beyond the limits of the current day.
- **347.** Lodges shall not appoint certain nights, calling them special nights, for the purpose of conferring degrees in the lodge in the uniform or dress of different organizations or trades.
- **348.** A lodge cannot remove its place of meeting from the city, town, or village named in its charter or dispensation, or make any change in its place of meeting that

will affect lodge jurisdiction, except by special authority of the Grand Lodge or Grand Master, granted upon a written petition concurred in by a vote of three-fourths of the members of the lodge present at a stated meeting; of which meeting, and the proposition for such removal, all the resident members of the lodge shall have at least two weeks' previous notice; and such removal shall be consented to by the lodge or lodges whose jurisdiction may be abridged thereby.

- **349.** When a change of jurisdiction is not involved a lodge may change its place of meeting by a majority vote of members present at a stated meeting, provided notice has been given of the proposed change at a previous stated meeting.
- **350.** The master may call a special meeting of the lodge for work at a hall within its jurisdiction other than the usual place of meeting by giving due notice to resident members.
- **351.** The annual meetings of lodges for the election of officers must be held on a date of a stated meeting in the month of December in each year.
- **352.** The stated meetings of lodges must be held on dates that can be definitely designated, without reference to lunar changes.

Election and Appointment of Lodge Officers

357. Every lodge shall elect, appoint, and install its officers annually, at such times and in the manner prescribed by its by-laws.

- **358.** The master, wardens, treasurer and secretary must be chosen by ballot. The other officers may be elected by ballot, or appointed by the master, as the by-laws may provide.
- **359.** There must be a ballot for each elective office, at which each member present shall have the opportunity to vote, and a majority of the whole number of votes cast shall be necessary to a choice.
- **360.** Blank pieces of paper are neither ballots nor votes and cannot be counted as such, or have any effect upon the result.
- **361.** In case any lodge shall fail to elect its officers at the time prescribed by its by-laws it shall forthwith lay the matter before the Grand Master, who, for good cause shown, may grant a dispensation to hold an election as soon thereafter as may be practicable. Such dispensation shall be entered at length upon the records of the lodge.
- **362.** A lodge cannot legally hold its election prior to the time specified in the by-laws.
- **363.** It is not permissible to make nominations or suggestions for office in a constituent lodge.
- **364.** Electioneering in any way for one's self for office in a constituent lodge is prohibited as unmasonic, and any member found guilty of the offense shall be ineligible to office, and if already in office shall forfeit the office held by him.

Installation of Lodge Officers

- **369.** The installation ceremonies shall be held as soon after election as convenient, but within thirty days, and must occur at the lodge hall or in the near vicinity thereof and within the jurisdiction of the lodge.
- **370.** Officers of a chartered lodge must be installed as often as re-elected or appointed.
- **371.** The installation of lodge officers by a brother not having the legal qualifications is void.
- 372. Every lodge shall, within thirty days after the annual installation, transmit to the Grand Master, the grand secretary and the district deputy grand master a duly certified list of the names of the newly installed officers, with the dates of their election and installation, and the name and title of the installing officer.
- **373.** Removal from the territorial jurisdiction of a lodge does not affect the right of an officer elect to be installed therein.
- **374.** The refusal of an officer elect to give bond as required by the by-laws of his lodge is a refusal to qualify for installation, and should be so treated.
- **375.** If any officer is installed without having given the bond required by the lodge by-laws his subsequent refusal to give bond on demand amounts to a refusal to qualify, and creates a vacancy in the office, which must be filled by an election to be held by authority of the dispensation of the Grand Master.
- **376.** In the absence of the master-elect, the officers of a lodge cannot be installed. The ceremonies must begin with the installation of the master.

- 377. The master, having been legally installed, it becomes his right, as well as his privilege, to install the other officers elected and appointed, at the same meeting or as soon thereafter as practicable.
- **378.** An officer of a lodge cannot legally be installed by proxy.
- **379.** A brother is not masonically qualified to install the officers of a lodge unless he has been duly elected and regularly installed as master of a chartered lodge working under the jurisdiction of some recognized Grand Lodge, and who is, at the time of exercising such official authority, an actual member, in good standing, of some regular lodge: *Provided*, that this shall not be construed to affect the Grand Master or his proxy, and non-affiliation does not constitute the disability of the Grand Master to perform these functions.

Eligibility of Lodge Officers

- **384.** A brother is not eligible to the office of master in any chartered lodge unless he is an actual member thereof, nor unless he has been duly elected and regularly installed as a warden of some legally chartered lodge: *Provided*, that in case of an emergency the lodge may elect any member not so qualified; but a brother so elected cannot be installed except by dispensation, applied for by written petition of the lodge, signed by the present master and wardens, and resident past masters and wardens.
- **385**. Acting as warden of a lodge under dispensation does not make a brother eligible to the office of master

in a chartered lodge, but a brother nominated in the charter as warden of a lodge, and regularly installed, thereby becomes eligible to the office of master.

- **386.** The fact that charges have been preferred against a brother does not affect his eligibility for office.
- **387.** Any member of a lodge qualified to vote in the election of officers shall be eligible to any office in the lodge except that of master: *Provided*, that no member shall hold more than one office in the lodge at the same time.
- 388. Members of a chartered lodge who are also members of a lodge under dispensation may vote and hold office in both lodges, except as provided in Code No. 599, page 110.
- **389.** The status of a brother in his lodge cannot be changed after his death. One who is in good standing at the time of his death is entitled to masonic burial, if he made such request, or if it is made by his family.
- **390.** The duly elected and installed master, senior warden and junior warden of the lodge, by virtue of their office and the powers and prerogatives appertaining thereto, are the only members qualified to represent the lodge in its corporate capacity and to be designated as executive officers. A lodge is a corporation and needs no trustees.

POWERS AND DUTIES OF LODGE OFFICERS

Powers of the Master

- **395.** The master shall have power:
 - **A**. To convene his lodge in special meeting whenever he may deem proper.
 - **B.** To preside at all meetings of his lodge.
 - **C.** To cause to be issued all notices and summonses which may be required.
 - **D.** To appoint all the officers of the lodge whose election is not provided for in the by-laws.
 - **E.** To appoint all committees.
 - **F.** To fill a vacancy in any office for the term of any meeting of the lodge.
 - **G.** To discharge all the executive functions of his lodge.
 - **H.** To represent his lodge in Grand Lodge, even though not residing in this state.
 - **I.** To require every member of the lodge present, except as provided in Code No. 512, page 98, to vote upon all questions of a business character coming before the lodge, unless excused, at his own request, by the master, or by vote of the majority of the members present.
 - **J.** To perform such other acts as by ancient usage pertain to his office, which shall not contravene any of the provisions of the constitution, by-laws and regulations of the Grand Lodge.

Duties of the Master

396. It shall be the duty of the master:

- **A.** To convene his lodge in stated meeting at the time prescribed by its by-laws.
- **B.** To superintend the official acts of the officers of his lodge, and see that their respective duties are properly performed.
- **C.** To guard carefully against any infraction of the by-laws of his lodge, the by-laws of the Grand Lodge, or the general regulations of masonry, and suffer no departure therefrom upon the plea of convenience or expediency, except in cases of emergency, and then only by dispensation of the Grand Master.
- **D.** To see that proper returns of work, etc., are annually transmitted to the grand secretary, and that the Grand Lodge dues are paid promptly.
- **E.** To cause summonses to issue only when the welfare of masonry, the interest of the lodge, or the rights of a brother demand, and to take special care that disobedience of a duly served summons be promptly followed by discipline, unless the offender render excuse for the offense satisfactory to the lodge.
- **F.** To cause all necessary notices to be issued in the prescribed manner and form.
- **G.** To permit no appeal from his decision to be made to the lodge.

- **H.** To make the work and ritual practiced in his lodge conform to the standard adopted by the Grand Lodge.
- **I.** To have a copy of the Book of Constitutions always on the pedestal in the east when the lodge is open.
- 397. It shall be the duty of the master, when notified of the intended official visit of the Grand Master or district deputy grand master, to convene his lodge, extend the appropriate courtesies, and when called upon, to submit for inspection the by-laws and records, and furnish such facilities as may be necessary for a proper discharge of the duties of the visiting official.

Duties of the Wardens

- **402.** It shall be the duty of the wardens to assist the master in the discharge of his duties, and to perform such other acts as masonic usage has assigned to their respective stations.
- **403.** In the absence of the master the duties of his office shall be performed by the senior warden, and if both the master and senior warden are absent the junior warden shall perform the duties of the master.
- **404.** A warden cannot call a special meeting of the lodge while his official superior is within the territorial jurisdiction thereof and able to authorize a call, but a warden presiding in the master's absence may, while thus acting, perform any act which the master might do were he present.

Duties of Other Lodge Officers

409. The treasurer of a lodge is the proper custodian of all its money, securities, bonds, and other fiscal prop-

erty, and they cannot be taken from his control and be placed in the hands of trustees. He should keep the funds and accounts of the lodge entirely distinct from all others, and if deposited in a bank the account should be in the name of the lodge, or in his name as treasurer. The treasurer of a lodge can disburse the funds only upon the written order of the master and consent of the lodge, and for masonic purposes.

- **410.** The secretary, in addition to performing the duties prescribed by the ritual, shall keep a record of the time when the lodge is opened and closed and the names of officers, members and visitors present at each meeting.
 - **A.** The official record of *members* in attendance may be kept in a separate book prepared for the purpose and placed in the tyler's room, and it shall be the duty of every member in attendance to record his name therein before entering the lodge room. The secretary shall enter in his minutes the names of a sufficient number of members to show that a quorum was present.
 - **B.** The secretary may keep a record of *visitors* present in a separate book for that purpose placed in the tyler's room.
 - **C.** The secretary shall keep detailed minutes or records of all business transacted or work done at all stated and special meetings of the lodge, including all items of receipts and disbursements, in a permanently bound and paged record book, and these minutes, when approved by the lodge, shall be signed by the master and secretary. The financial records of a lodge may be kept by a loose leaf system.

- **D.** The secretary shall transmit promptly to the grand secretary notice of all rejections for degrees, expulsion, suspensions, and reinstatements, with the date of same, and shall perform such other services pertaining to his office as are required by the master or the customs of the fraternity or as are designated by the by-laws of the lodge or the Grand Lodge.
- **E.** The secretary may receive such compensation for his services as the lodge shall direct.
- **411.** All other officers of a lodge shall perform such duties therein as may be directed by the master or wardens, not conflicting with the by-laws of the lodge, the by-laws and regulations of the Grand Lodge, and the usages and general regulations of masonry.

Acquirement of Lodge Membership

- **416.** Membership in a lodge may be acquired:
 - **A.** By having been named in a charter issued to a lodge under dispensation.
 - **B.** By regularly receiving the degree of master mason therein, and signing the by-laws thereof, in person, or by proxy appointed in writing.
 - **C.** By a master mason petitioning a lodge for affiliation, and upon due election to membership, and signing the by-laws of the lodge, in person or by proxy appointed in writing.
- **417.** Every petition for degrees or membership contemplates membership. The by-laws of the lodge should

always be present when candidates are raised or elected to membership, and a refusal to sign them deprives the petitioner of the rights of membership. If he exercises the privileges of membership he cannot thereafter deny the responsibilities thereof, and he would then be subject to discipline for refusing to sign the by-laws.

418. It is the duty of every master mason to be a member of some lodge.

Honorary Membership

- **423.** No mason shall be an actual member of more than one chartered lodge at the same time: *Provided*, that a lodge may by unanimous ballot confer the title of honorary membership upon any master mason who is a member in good standing of some other regular lodge, his name having been proposed at a previous stated meeting; but such honorary membership shall not confer any of the rights of regular membership.
- **424.** Honorary membership may be terminated by a three-fourths ballot at a stated meeting, notice having been given in open lodge at a preceding stated meeting of such proposed action.

Termination of Lodge Membership

- **429.** Membership in a chartered lodge can be terminated only:
 - **A.** By dissolution of the lodge.
 - **B.** By voluntary, formal dimission therefrom.
 - **C.** By becoming a charter member of a new lodge.
 - **D.** By death, suspension or expulsion.

Jurisdiction of Lodges

- **434.** Every chartered lodge shall have certain personal and territorial jurisdiction.
- 435. The PERSONAL JURISDICTION of a lodge shall extend over all its members (except its master, or the Grand Master if a member thereof) wherever they may reside; and over its unfinished work and rejected material, wherever they may be dispersed. *Provided*, however, that when a petition to be made a mason has been rejected by any lodge in this state and such rejected petitioner afterwards removes to another state and petitions a lodge in such other state to be made a mason, the lodge in this state which has rejected his petition, or the Grand Lodge, shall have no claim to jurisdiction over such rejected material after five years from the date of such rejection.
- 436. The TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION of a lodge shall extend in all directions half way on straight lines between the actual location of the lodge rooms of neighboring lodges, without regard to county or other geographical divisions; and includes the exclusive right, on the part of the lodge, to accept or reject all original petitions for the degrees from persons residing within its territory; and the exercise of penal powers over all masons, affiliated, as well as unaffiliated, residing permanently or temporarily within its territorial jurisdiction, for any violation of moral or masonic law: *Provided*, that in any town or city where two or more lodges are located *territorial* jurisdiction shall be concurrent.
- 437. Lodges within the corporate limits of a city or town have concurrent jurisdiction, but over such ter-

ritory and candidates only as are nearer to one of said lodges than to a lodge outside of said limits. Corporation lines are ignored except to determine which lodges have a part in the concurrent jurisdiction.

438. Whenever a chartered lodge recommends the formation of a new lodge it thereby cedes territorial jurisdiction to the new lodge.

The Qualifications of Candidates

- 443. Every candidate applying for the degrees in masonry must have the senses of a man, especially those of hearing, seeing, and feeling; be a believer in God; capable of reading and writing, and possessing no maim or defect in his body that may render him incapable of conforming *literally* to what the several degrees respectively require of him. No provision of this section shall be set aside, suspended, or dispensed with by the Grand Master or the Grand Lodge.
- **444.** The landmark respecting physical qualifications—of which Code No. 443, page 87, is substantially a repetition—manifestly refers only to the time of making; hence the brother maimed after initiation may be advanced.
- 445. Masonry knows no distinction of race or color. It is the mental, moral, and physical qualifications of the man that are to be considered.
- **446.** A candidate who is unable or unwilling to express a belief in the existence of God lacks an essential qualification for the degrees in masonry. In every such case the fee shall be returned with the information that he cannot become a mason.

- 447. A lodge shall not knowingly receive a petition from or initiate a candidate who is less than twenty-one years old, who does not possess the required physical qualifications, or who has not been an actual resident of the state of Illinois at least twelve months and of the jurisdiction of the lodge at least six months next preceding the date of such petition; and if any such qualified petitioner shall have been rejected by any regular lodge in this jurisdiction, the requirements of Code No. 475, page 93, and Code No. 484, page 94, shall be complied with.
- **448.** By the masonic residence of an applicant for the degrees is meant a permanent settled domicile, or fixed abode, from choice; and, as a rule, is identical with his legal residence.
- **449.** A man who has no fixed abode or legal residence cannot petition a masonic lodge in Illinois.
- **450.** If it shall be ascertained after the election of an applicant that he is disqualified by lack of residence, the petition, with the fee, shall be returned to the applicant with a written statement of the reasons for said action.
- **451.** An alien, who is a candidate for either initiation or affiliation, and who is otherwise qualified, need not be naturalized as a prerequisite to his petitioning a masonic lodge.
- **452.** In case any petition for the degrees shall have been rejected by a lodge in any other grand jurisdiction, within convenient reach by correspondence, the regulations specified in Code No. 475, page 93, shall apply; provided, however, that if, after due

diligence to communicate with such lodge has been exercised, no reply be received to the request for permission after the period of ninety days from making such request, a lodge may proceed to take action upon such petition without such permission.

- **453.** The loss of sight in one eye, the other retaining the power of sight, does not of itself disqualify a candidate for the degrees in masonry.
- **454.** The necessity of wearing a truss does not disqualify a petitioner for the degrees.

Petitions for Degrees or Membership

- **459.** It is contrary to the principles of Freemasonry to solicit anyone to become a mason.
- 460. All petitions for the degrees or for membership shall be made in writing, addressed to a lodge having both territorial and personal jurisdiction, and signed by the applicant, with his full name. He shall affirm his belief in the existence of God, and shall state the date and place of his birth; his occupation specifically; the name of his employer, if he has any; and if the occupation shall be stated as clerk, salesman, manager, solicitor, adjuster, or any other indefinite term, it shall then state the particular kind of business or employment in which he is such clerk, salesman, manager, solicitor, adjuster, etc. It shall state his place of residence, and, if the petitioner resides in a city having streets that are named and houses that are numbered, he shall state in his petition the name of his street and the number of his house. And in case of a petitioner for the degrees, whether he had previously made application to be

made a mason to any lodge, and shall be accompanied by the fee which the by-laws of the lodge require with the petition. In cases where the petitioner has before petitioned to be made a mason, he shall state the name, number, location and jurisdiction of the lodge previously petitioned, and the date as near as may be of such former petition.

- 461. Every petitioner shall be recommended in writing by three members of the lodge, each of whom must have personal acquaintance with the petitioner, and each petition must be read at a stated meeting and the petitioner's name, age, residence, occupation, employer, who recommended him, and to whom the petition was referred entered upon the records.
- 462. After a petition has been read it may be received by the voice of the lodge either tacitly or formally given, or the lodge, by a majority vote, may refuse to receive it. 463. Every petition for the degrees or membership after it is received shall be referred to an investigating committee of three members of the lodge, whose names shall be announced in open lodge at the meeting when petition is received.
- **464.** Each member of an investigating committee shall see the applicant personally, and diligently inquire into his moral, mental, and physical qualifications, and ascertain whether he has been a citizen of the state as provided in Code No. 447, page 88, and make such report thereon to the master as he may deem proper.
- **465.** Each member of an investigating committee shall make private verbal report to the master, but the nature

thereof, whether favorable or unfavorable, shall not be entered of record.

- 466. In a city or town where there is more than one lodge it shall be the duty of the secretary of each lodge to give notice in writing to all other lodges situated in such city or town of all petitions for degrees received or rejected, stating the name in full, age, occupation and place of residence of the petitioner, as fully as required by Code No. 460, page 89. This notice shall be given promptly after the receipt of a petition for degrees, and at least twenty days before ballot thereon can be taken.
- **467.** A majority report of the committee to investigate the character and qualifications of a petitioner is not sufficient. All must report before a legal ballot can be had, the lodge being entitled to the information derived from three sources of inquiry.
- 468. Previous to the balloting the master must read so much of the petition as gives the candidate's name, age, occupation, and residence, together with the names of the brethren who recommended him, and those who served on the investigating committee, and announce to the lodge the nature of the investigating committee's report, and to what extent they were agreed.
- 469. The master may grant a committee appointed on a petition for degrees or membership more time, and in case any of the committee fails to report the master may remove him and in open lodge appoint another brother in his place, but the ballot shall not be taken before the next stated meeting after a new member of a committee has been appointed.

- 470. All petitions for membership shall state the name, number, and location of the lodge of which the applicant was last a member, the name of the lodge in which he was made a master mason, and the name of the Grand Lodge under which such lodge is or was working. Such petition shall be accompanied by a dimit or other satisfactory evidence that the petitioner has lawfully withdrawn from the lodge of which he was last a member, or has declared his intention to withdraw therefrom in the manner prescribed by the law of the grand jurisdiction in which he is affiliated. If such membership has been lost in any other manner he must submit proof of his standing in the fraternity. Every such petition shall be recommended by three members of the lodge who youch for the petitioner as a master mason, and shall be read, received and referred in the same manner as petitions for degrees. If the petitioner is elected, the documentary evidence shall be canceled and filed among the records of the lodge; if rejected, the same shall be promptly returned to the brother.
 - **471.** Master masons applying for membership shall not be required to state whether they have or have not applied to any other lodge; nor shall the regulations of these by-laws concerning physical qualifications or jurisdictional residence whether residing in this state or elsewhere apply to master masons petitioning for affiliation.
 - **472.** None of the requirements of original petitions shall apply to entered apprentices or fellow crafts seeking advancement in the lodge in which they were initiated or passed; but entered apprentices or fellow crafts seeking

advancement in any lodge other than the one in which they may have been initiated or passed shall be subject to the laws governing original petitions and personal jurisdiction.

- 473. An applicant having received the degree of entered apprentice or the degrees of entered apprentice and fellow craft in a lodge not having territorial jurisdiction, when petitioning the lodge having jurisdiction must again pass the ordeal of the ballot.
- 474. An entered apprentice or fellow craft, after moving into the jurisdiction of Illinois, may petition the lodge in whose jurisdiction he resides, for advancement, at any time: Provided, that the lodge that conferred the degree or degrees upon him waive jurisdiction in favor of the lodge petitioned, the petition being governed by the same rules that apply in the case of a petition for the degrees.
- 475. No lodge shall knowingly receive a petition for the degrees from an applicant who has been rejected by, or who resides nearer to, another lodge, without first obtaining the consent of such other lodge in writing, unanimously granted by ballot at a stated meeting thereof and certified under seal; the substance of which certificate shall be entered of record, but a lodge may receive the petition of an applicant who has been rejected by a lodge not having jurisdiction, without obtaining the consent of the rejecting lodge.
- 476. No lodge can receive a petition for membership from a mason holding a dimit from a lodge working under the jurisdiction of any grand orient or grand lodge to which this Grand Lodge has not accorded recognition.

- **477.** A petition for degrees or membership cannot be transmitted by telegraph or telephone.
- 478. No petition for the degrees shall be withdrawn or returned, after having been received by a lodge, unless the same shall be balloted upon and rejected, in which case the fee accompanying the same shall be returned to the applicant: Provided, that where a lodge has by mistake received and referred a petition of an applicant who resides within the jurisdiction of any other lodge, or from one who is constitutionally disqualified, the petition with the fee shall be returned without balloting.
- **479.** The petition and the fee of a brother master mason applying for membership by affiliation may be withdrawn or returned upon written application therefor, with the concurrence of a majority of the members present at a stated meeting of the lodge.

Waiver of Jurisdiction

- **484.** Whenever a lodge shall grant permission to any other lodge to receive the petition of a person residing within its jurisdiction, or of a rejected candidate, or an entered apprentice, or fellow craft, over whom it may have lawful jurisdiction, it shall thereby be held to have permanently relinquished the same, and the lodge receiving such permission shall thereby acquire lawful jurisdiction: *Provided*, that all such petitions shall be subject to the laws governing original petitions for the degrees.
- **485.** All requests for a waiver of jurisdiction over applicants for the degrees must come from a lodge which

the applicant has petitioned, and jurisdiction is transferred to said lodge if request is granted.

- **486.** All applications for waivers of jurisdiction, whether over original petitions for degrees, rejected candidates, entered apprentices, or fellow crafts, shall be read at a stated meeting and lie over till the next stated meeting before being voted upon, and in all such cases, except of rejected candidates, the master may appoint a committee of investigation if he deems it for the best interests of masonry.
- **487.** In all cases of waiver over original petitions or rejected candidates the vote shall be by ballot and be unanimous.
- **488.** In cases of waiver over entered apprentices and fellow crafts, the vote may be by show of hands and a majority vote is sufficient.
- **489.** No lodge shall request a waiver of jurisdiction over a candidate who has been rejected unless a year has elapsed since his rejection.
- **490.** The refusal of a lodge to grant a request for a waiver of jurisdiction over a rejected candidate does not deprive the petitioner of the right to petition the original lodge after the lapse of one year from the date of his rejection.
- 491. If the request of a lodge for a waiver of jurisdiction is refused, it may in cases of original petitioners for degrees be renewed after a lapse of one year. In other cases it may be renewed at pleasure, though not oftener than three times in any one year.

- 492. If a lodge grants permission to another lodge to complete unfinished work (that is, waives jurisdiction), it thereby relinquishes its claim upon the candidate, and upon being regularly elected, receiving the degrees and signing the by-laws he becomes a member of the lodge doing the work.
- **493.** If a lodge requests another to do work for it, and the work is done, the applicant becomes a member of the first lodge, upon signing its by-laws in person or by proxy appointed in writing.
- **494.** A lodge may refuse to waive jurisdiction over an entered apprentice or fellow craft, but if it waives jurisdiction, it cannot make conditions, pecuniary or otherwise, as to its assumption by another lodge.
- **495.** Action of a lodge requesting, or consenting to, the conferring of degrees on its material by another lodge may be rescinded by vote of lodge before work is done. Action waiving jurisdiction cannot be rescinded.
- 496. When a lodge waives jurisdiction over an entered apprentice, or a fellow craft, who has paid in advance the fees for all the degrees, it should refund that portion of the fees for which it has not given an equivalent in degrees.
- 497. When a candidate after being rejected by one lodge removes into the jurisdiction of another, neither lodge can receive his petition without first obtaining the consent of the other, granted by unanimous ballot.
- 498. When an entered apprentice or fellow craft removes from the jurisdiction of his lodge and it surrenders or loses its charter he cannot become a mem-

ber of another lodge without election therein, nor be advanced without the consent of the lodge that acquires jurisdiction over the territory of the defunct lodge.

499. Waiver of jurisdiction over material residing in territory possessed in common by two or more lodges may be granted only by the lodge located nearest to the home or residence of the petitioner, and when several lodges are equally near then the petition shall be filed with the oldest of said lodges. Request for such waiver shall be referred to an investigating committee and duly notified to all other lodges holding concurrent jurisdiction and a vote taken at the next or some subsequent stated meeting, not less than four weeks after such notice has been given.

Balloting

- **504.** No ballot shall be taken on a petition for any degree or for membership at any other than a stated meeting, nor in less than four weeks from the time the petition was received and referred, except by dispensation from the Grand Master, nor unless there be present at such stated meeting at least seven members of the lodge.
- **505.** One clear ballot entitles the petitioner to the three degrees, but if an entered apprentice or fellow craft transfers his allegiance to another lodge, his petition for the remaining degree or degrees must again pass the ordeal of the ballot.
- **506.** In balloting upon petitions for the degrees or for membership the same shall be acted upon separately, and every member of the lodge present shall vote,

nor shall any member be excused from this duty except at his own request and by unanimous consent of the other members present, except as provided in Code No. 512, page 98.

- **507.** The order of balloting does not necessarily follow the sequence in which the petitions were received.
- **508.** The ballot shall be had upon all petitions for the degrees, whether the report thereon is favorable or unfavorable, unless it shall appear that the lodge cannot legally act on the petition, and shall be upon the moral. mental, and physical qualifications of the applicant.
- **509.** The vote to elect to the degrees, or to membership, must be unanimous.
- **510.** The right of every member of a lodge to the secret ballot for the degrees or for membership is inherent and absolute, and the lawful and legitimate exercise of such rights shall not be questioned by the master, the lodge, the Grand Master, or the Grand Lodge.
- **511.** If any member shall be proved to have been actuated by unworthy motives in the exercise of his right as a voter, or shall willfully use the ballot to interrupt the legitimate labors, or mar the peace and harmony of the lodge, or shall expose the character of his own vote before, at the time of, or after casting it, or shall attempt to ascertain the character of the vote of any other member, he shall be liable to masonic discipline and punishment.
- **512.** The tyler, if a member of the lodge, has a right to vote therein if he desires this privilege, but at his re-

quest the master may excuse him from the exercise of this right.

- **513.** When a ballot is in progress it shall not be suspended or postponed, nor shall it be interrupted by the admission or withdrawal of any brother, but brethren may be permitted to enter or retire between ballots on different candidates.
- **514.** No debate shall be permitted in open lodge upon the merits or demerits of any candidate, at or before the time of balloting. The *secret vote* of each member is the only legal expression of his opinion.
- 515. After the ballot has been taken and duly examined, first by the wardens, and finally by the master, if only one negative vote appears the master may order a second trial of the ballot, the result of which shall, in all cases, be final and conclusive, and shall be then and there so declared by the master; and such declaration shall not be set aside by the master, the lodge, the Grand Master, or the Grand Lodge.
- **516.** At the conclusion of a ballot the result only, either "elected" or "rejected," shall be made known and recorded.
- **517.** When a ballot for degrees or membership has been taken and the result announced it shall not be reconsidered.
- **518.** Every lodge shall have a ballot box so constructed as to enable every member to cast his vote secretly, and shall be equipped with a sufficient number of white balls and black cubes to enable every brother to express his preference freely.

Rejections

- **523.** 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 Code No. 475, page 93, and Code No. 484, page 94.
- **524.** 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 Code No. 435, page 86.
- **525.** Any brother whose application for membership has been rejected may renew his application to the same or to any other lodge, without regard to time or place.
- **526.** The rejection of the petition of a brother for membership shall not affect his masonic standing.
- 527. When a candidate is declared rejected the money which accompanied his petition shall be regularly withdrawn from the treasury and returned to him by the secretary, who shall distinctly inform him of his rejection. This information shall be conveyed to him by the secretary in person, if practicable.
- **528.** If the information that a petitioner has been rejected is communicated by a mason to any person (except the petitioner) not a mason the offender shall be subject to masonic discipline.
- **529.** Any mason who, concealing the fact of such rejection, shall knowingly assist or recommend for initi-

ation to any lodge any candidate who has been rejected by a lodge, without first having lawful permission of said rejecting lodge, shall be liable to masonic discipline. **530.** Any candidate who may receive the degrees by false representation or through deception shall be brought to trial and punished, as the lodge may determine.

Objection to Initiation

- **535.** Any master mason who is a member of a lodge may raise well grounded objections to the initiation or advancement of a candidate in such lodge.
- **536.** An objection to the initiation of a legally elected candidate, to be operative, must be made before the order is given to prepare him.
- **537.** No candidate whose initiation or advancement is stayed by personal objection shall be recorded or published as rejected, and lodges are not required to report such stay to the grand secretary.
- 538. If any member of a lodge shall express to the master an objection to the initiation of a candidate, after such candidate shall have been elected, such objection shall be respected. The objector's identity shall not be revealed or his reasons be demanded by the master or the lodge. The fact of objection shall be recorded in the minutes of the lodge, and shall stand as a bar against the candidate for the term of one year, unless sooner withdrawn by the objector. The fee, if any, accompanying the petition, shall, in such case, be immediately returned to the petitioner.
- **539.** When the initiation of a candidate is stayed by objection, he may be initiated after the lapse of one year

from the time such objection was made and entered of record, without a new petition and election, unless objection is again made, but objection may be renewed at any time during the year or new objection made by the same or another member, and in either case shall hold good for one year from the time of renewal or making.

Objection to Advancement

- 544. Whenever objection is made by any member of a lodge to the advancement of a brother therein to the second or third degree the reasons therefor must be made known, if required by the lodge or the master; or the matter may be referred to a committee with power to inquire into such reasons, who shall report thereon to the lodge as soon as practicable. Upon the reception of such report, if no cause for objection has been assigned, or if the reasons assigned be, in the opinion of the majority of the members present, insufficient, the lodge may confer the degree in the same manner as if no objection had been made; but if the reasons assigned shall be deemed to be sufficient to stay the degree, the candidate shall be entitled, upon application, to trial upon the alleged objections.
- **545.** A brother who in the exercise of the right of objection is proved to be actuated by unworthy motives, or who maliciously uses it to interrupt the legitimate labors, or to mar the peace and harmony of the lodge, is liable to discipline and punishment.
- **546.** Objections to either initiation or advancement, when made by a brother not a member of the lodge having jurisdiction, shall be subject to the provisions of

Code No. 544, page 102. If, in the case of a candidate for initiation the committee sustains the objection, the initiation shall be stayed one year, but the candidate shall not be entitled to a trial.

547. When objections are entertained against a brother seeking advancement, and such brother demands trial, the objections must be formulated into charges and the trial thereof is to be conducted as laid down in the Grand Lodge by-laws. The status of an entered apprentice or fellow craft would depend upon the result of such trial, viz.: Acquittal, expulsion, suspension, or reprimand.

Fees for Degrees

- 552. No lodge under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge shall be permitted to confer the three degrees upon any person for a less sum than thirty dollars. *Provided*, that in cities containing a population of fifty thousand or more inhabitants the minimum fee for the three degrees shall be seventy-five dollars, and the apportionment of such sum to the degrees respectively, shall be regulated by the by-laws of each lodge. In all cases the fee for the entered apprentice degree shall acompany the petition.
- **553.** No lodge shall confer any degree or admit to membership until the prescribed fee shall have been paid to the proper officer, nor shall any written or verbal promise to pay the same be received in lieu thereof, nor any portion of the fee remitted in any case, either directly or indirectly.

- **554.** Where one lodge confers a degree for another the lodge that does the work can collect only such fee as is charged by the lodge for which the work is done. The question of which lodge is entitled to the fee shall be determined before the work is done.
- 555. The secretary shall pay over to the treasurer the fees of an applicant for the degrees as soon as received. If the petitioner is rejected the lodge should draw an order at once and return the fee to the applicant. In no case should the lodge use any part of the fee until the petitioner has been elected.
- 556. Any candidate failing to appear for initiation within one year after his election, except for good cause, of which the lodge shall be the judge, and for which by a majority vote it may excuse him, must again petition the lodge and be subject to laws governing presentation of first petition. The lodge, for good reasons, may credit the candidate with the fees paid with the first petition.

Conferring Degrees

- **561.** No lodge shall confer any degree upon any person who declines to conform to any requirement of masonry or to the rules and regulations of the Grand Lodge. No exception shall be made in favor of any particular person or candidate.
- **562.** No candidate shall be advanced to the second or third degree until he shall have passed a satisfactory examination in open lodge upon his masonic proficiency, unless by dispensation of the Grand Master. After a candidate has passed an examination in open lodge and

retired, the master may declare whether the candidate has shown suitable proficiency, or the master may in his discretion permit the matter to be determined by a majority vote of the members present.

- **563.** If not contrary to lodge by-laws, a brother may be advanced at any meeting of the lodge, subsequent to the day on which he received the degree, after being duly examined in open lodge and found proficient.
- **564.** No candidate shall receive more than one degree on the same day, except by dispensation of the Grand Master.
- **565.** A lodge may determine by a majority vote at a stated meeting whether it will confer the fellow craft's or master mason's degrees for a lodge legally requesting the same.
- **566.** No lodge shall make a request to another lodge to confer a first degree for it, except by unanimous vote at a stated meeting, and after notice that such vote would be taken has been made at a previous stated meeting.
- 567. No part of the work shall be omitted, abridged or shortened, nor any ritual be used save that adopted by the Grand Lodge, and taught by the authorized lecturers.
- **568.** The explanatory parts of the entered apprentice degree, the second section of the fellow craft's degree, the historical account in the master mason's degree, and the charge in each degree may be given to more than one candidate at the same time, but all other parts of the degrees must be given in full to each candidate separately.

- **569.** The possession or use of any cipher or alleged expose of the esoteric work of masonry is an offense which, upon conviction, shall subject the offender to the severest masonic penalty.
- **570.** The use of a stereopticon or any illustration in the lecture of the master mason's degree previous to the marble monument is prohibited.
- **571.** There is no limit of time within which an entered apprentice or fellow craft may be required to advance. His advancement must be of his own free will and accord.

Lodge Visitation

- **576.** It is the privilege of every master mason in good standing to visit a lodge; subject, however, to the right of the lodge, whether chartered or under dispensation, or any member thereof, to object to his admission as a visitor.
- 577. The right to visit is possessed equally by all, white or black, who have been made in a constituent lodge in this jurisdiction, or in a lodge that is a constituent of any grand lodge recognized as legitimate by the Grand Lodge of Illinois, and who remain in good standing.
- **578.** No visitor shall be admitted to any lodge under this jurisdiction unless lawfully vouched for as a master mason in good standing. If not so vouched for

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he shall be required to furnish documentary evidence as to the name and number of his lodge, and to take the test oath in addition to strict trial and due examination of his knowledge of masonry.

- **579.** The legal information necessary to enable one mason to vouch for another may be acquired by sitting together in a regularly constituted lodge of masons, by an examination authorized by the proper officer of a lodge, or by one mason definitely stating to another whom he knows to be a mason that he vouches for a third then present with them as a mason in good standing. This information may be passed along indefinitely as long as the conditions herein stated are met.
- **580.** No mason is justified in vouching for another unless, in addition to the knowledge that he is a mason, he also has satisfactory evidence that he is in good standing.
- **581.** No mason can legally acquire the necessary information to vouch for another by sitting with him in any other body than a lodge of Ancient Craft Masons, nor unless the brother vouched for is actually present.
- **582.** A member of a lodge cannot be disciplined for objecting to the presence of a brother who is not a member, nor shall the objector's reasons be inquired into.
- **583.** Objection made to the master by a member to a proposed visitor is not valid during the absence of the objector.
- **584.** A member cannot by objection exclude a district deputy grand master who is making an official visit.

- **585.** A candidate upon whom a degree is being conferred for another lodge, after a request to confer the degree has been regularly made and acted upon by the lodge, is not a visitor and cannot be excluded by objection.
- 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 regularly chartered lodge of Illinois. This certificate shall be attested by a fac simile of the seal of the Grand Lodge and the signature of the grand secretary both printed thereon. The form of receipt and certificate shall be substantially as follows:

Ancient Free und Acceptei	Masons of	f Illinois
This Is to Certify. That Bro on the margin hereof, has paid to of, Illinots, the sum of	Lodge No, in f	stgnature appears . A. F. & A. M.
charges to said Lodge to		Secretary.

Ι,	Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Illinois,
A. F. & A.	M., do hereby certify that the Lodge shown on the reverse
side of this	certificate is regularly chartered by the Grand Lodge of Illi-
nois, A. F.	& A. M., and its members, when in good standing in said
Lodge, are	entitled to all the privileges and courtesies of visitation given
	by Lodges whose governing bodies are recognized by this
	Grand Lodge as regular Grand Lodges of A. F. & A. M.
SEAL	
[000]	Grand Secretary.

Dimits and Resignations

- 591. All applications for dimits shall be made in writing, signed by the applicant, be presented to the lodge at a stated meeting, shall be read in open lodge, and lie over until the next or some subsequent stated meeting, when, if the applicant's dues are paid to the time when his written application was presented, and there are no formal or written charges against him, a dimit shall be granted and a record made thereof. The dimit shall give (or have indorsed thereon) the date and place of the holder's birth, and the date of his election, initiation, passing, raising, and dimission, as well as the name of the lodge doing the work.
- **592.** An applicant for dimission may withdraw his application at any moment before the announcement that the dimit is granted has been made, but the request to withdraw must be filed in writing.
- **593.** A dimit shall date from the lodge record when the same shall be granted, and membership ceases from and after such date.
- **594.** A dimitted brother shall be entitled to a copy of the record of his dimission. Should the secretary neglect to furnish a copy, or the brother refuse to receive the same, such neglect or refusal shall not in any manner invalidate the joint action of the applicant and the lodge.
- **595**. If any brother shall lose the certificate of his dimission the secretary of the lodge shall, upon request and satisfactory proof of such loss, furnish him another certificate, with the original date, and the fact of reissuance, which shall be entered upon the lodge record.

- **596.** Entered apprentices and fellow crafts shall not receive dimits, but a lodge may grant them a certificate setting forth their status in the lodge.
- **597.** A brother who has been tried on charges of unmasonic conduct and acquitted, but in whose case an appeal is pending, shall not be permitted to dimit until the case is finally disposed of.
- **598.** A brother having been elected master or warden, but not installed, is not debarred a dimit.
- 599. Neither the master, senior warden, nor junior warden of a chartered lodge shall resign, dimit or take part in the formation of a lodge under dispensation during his official term: Provided, that in case a master or warden becomes physically or mentally disqualified to perform the duties of his office or has permanently removed from its jurisdiction, the lodge may certify the fact to the Grand Master, who in his discretion may declare a vacancy or grant a dispensation authorizing resignation or dimit and order an election to fill the vacancy. The resignation of any other elected officer may be accepted by the lodge. The vacancy shall be filled by special election, held under authority of a dispensation from the Grand Master.
- **600.** Resignations of appointive officers of a lodge may for good reasons be received, and the vacancies filled by the master.
- **601.** No lodge shall issue a dimit to a brother who has been legally declared insane until his legal disabilities are removed.

Transfer of Membership

606. When a brother desires to change his membership from his lodge to a lodge in another city or town he shall give his lodge notice thereof in writing. 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 purpose 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 to accompany a petition for affiliation. 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 favorable action is not taken within four months from the date of the certificate the petitioner shall still be a member of the original lodge and chargeable with dues therein. Nothing in 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, if both lodges are in the same city or town, except by a regular dimit.

Non-Affiliated Masons

611. It is contrary to the usages and precepts of the masonic fraternity to reside within the jurisdiction of a

regular lodge without making an effort to become a member thereof.

- 612. Voluntary non-affiliated masons shall not be permitted to take part in any of the ceremonies of the lodge, nor shall they of right be entitled to any of the privileges or benefits of masonry, such as masonic burial, uniting in masonic processions or celebrations; nor shall they or their families have any claim upon the fraternity for pecuniary aid in cases of misfortune or distress: Provided. that nothing herein shall be construed to deprive a lodge or any member thereof of the right to render to a non-affiliated mason aid and assistance, masonic burial, or any fraternal courtesy (except the privileges of the lodge, when objection is made) they may deem just and proper. If in such cases relief is extended or any privileges granted it shall be done as a courtesy and not accorded as a right.
- **613.** Non-affiliated masons shall be subject to the discipline of the lodge in whose jurisdiction they may reside for any violation of moral or masonic law.
- 614. A brother holding a dimit or a certificate of good standing in the fraternity 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 or a certificate of good standing in the fraternity may at any time, even after the expiration of such term of one year, petition for affiliation, and if rejected a minute of such rejection and the date thereof shall be made by the secretary on the dimit or certificate of good standing in the fraternity, and the holder thereof shall be considered as in good

standing in the fraternity for one year from the date of his last rejection, and no longer.

Special Dispensations

- 619. All applications to the Grand Master for dispensations to confer any degree shall emanate from a lodge at a stated meeting, and be concurred in by the unanimous vote of the members present at such meeting; and such application shall set forth fully and clearly the emergency, under the seal of the lodge, be signed by the master and secretary, and accompanied by the required fee.
- **620.** All applications for dispensations for special purposes, not otherwise provided for, may emanate from the master.
- **621.** No dispensation shall be issued authorizing a masonic lodge as such to attend religious services at a church or elsewhere.
- **622.** Every dispensation shall be entered upon the records of the lodge, and prompt report made to the Grand Master of whatever is done by authority thereof.

Lodges Under Dispensation

- 627. The formation of new lodges shall be subject to the provisions of Code Nos. 60 to 66, pages 28, 29 and 30.
- **628.** All applications for dispensations to form new lodges must be made on blanks furnished by order of the Grand Master.
- **629.** On receipt of an application for dispensation to form a new lodge the Grand Master may appoint a commission of three competent and disinterested brethren to

investigate and report upon the advisability of granting such request, but the report of the commission shall not supersede the necessity of a full investigation by the lodges hereinafter provided for.

- **630.** No petition to form a new lodge shall be granted by the Grand Master, or ordered by the Grand Lodge, unless the petition shall state the name, number, and location of the respective lodges to which the petitioners belong, or, if unaffiliated, of which they last were members.
- **631.** No dispensation shall be granted unless the petitioners shall have procured a suitable and safe room, with convenient ante-rooms, in which to conduct masonic ceremonies, nor unless the material in the proposed jurisdiction shall be sufficient to sustain a healthy and reputable lodge.
- 632. Every petition for a new lodge shall set forth the proposed name thereof; the names of the brethren nominated for the first master and wardens; the name of the county and place of the proposed location; the population of such place; the time of holding the meetings; the charter number and location of the three nearest lodges, and the distance of each from the location of the proposed new lodge. It shall also certify that (in places where a lodge already is located) the proposed master is legally eligible to the office of master by having served as master or warden of a chartered lodge (where no lodge exists the brother proposed as master need not necessarily have served as master or warden of a chartered lodge); that the proposed master is qual-

ified to confer the three degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry correctly and in full, certified to by a grand lecurer.

- **633.** No new lodge shall be named for any living person.
- **634.** No dispensation shall be granted for a new lodge if the proposed location is within five miles of any other lodge in this jurisdiction, unless such other lodge has forty or more members or unless the new lodge is to be located in a town or city having at least five thousand inhabitants.
- **635.** Every petition for a new lodge shall be accompanied with the dimits of all non-affiliated petitioners and lodge certificates that all dues have been paid by all affiliated petitioners to the date of the next meeting of the Grand Lodge.
- **636.** In the formation of new lodges the recommending lodges must be chartered lodges.
- 637. Every recommendation for the formation of a new lodge emanating from a chartered lodge shall certify that by means of a thorough examination by a competent committee the lodge has ascertained that the applicants are worthy master masons in good standing and that it has verified all the statements contained in the petition under consideration, and that said petition was read to the lodge in full at the meeting when received and again at the meeting when the vote was taken. No recommendation shall be granted by any lodge without the affirmative ballot of two-thirds of the members present at a stated meeting. All resident members

shall be notified by mail of the pending application, and the date when vote thereon will be taken. Such recommendation shall set forth the date of the meetings of the lodge at which the request was received and acted upon, the number of votes cast for and against the same and the number of members belonging to the lodge recommending.

- 638. In a city where concurrent jurisdictions exists, any three lodges out of the six lodges nearest the proposed location of the new lodge may recommend the formation of a new lodge in such city. In all places outside of such concurrent jurisdiction, it must be the three nearest lodges whether within or without corporate limits; Provided, that where the nearest lodges are within the city the consent of the outside lodges whose territorial jurisdiction is abridged must also be obtained.
- 639. The Grand Lodge may, on the recommendation of the Grand Master, issue a dispensation for the formation of a new lodge, outside a city or town having three or more lodges, on the recommendation of two out of the three nearest lodges.
- **640.** A lodge under dispensation shall have a code of by-laws, conforming to the by-lays and regulations of the Grand Lodge.
- **641.** Every dispensation shall be copied at length upon the records of the lodge, and the charter, when issued, shall be recorded in like manner.
- **642.** Every lodge while working under dispensation shall strictly conform to the requirements of Code No. 312, page 68 (except 312B and 312H).

- **643.** Every lodge under dispensation shall pay 90 cents Grand Lodge dues annually for every master mason whose name is upon the dispensation who is not a member of a chartered lodge in Illinois.
- 644. Every lodge under dispensation shall make its returns to the Grand Lodge on or before the first day of September next succeeding the date of its dispensation, and shall transmit therewith its letter of dispensation, a copy of its by-laws, and a record of its proceedings. After making such return no lodge meeting shall be held until the Grand Lodge shall grant a charter, and the requirements of Code No. 650, page 118, are complied with.
- **645.** All lodges organized under dispensation after the first of July shall be exempt from so much of the requirements of Code No. 644, page 117, as refer to the time of making returns, but shall fully comply therewith at the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge to be held one year thereafter: *Provided*, that the continuance of such dispensation shall be indorsed thereon by the Grand Master.
- **646.** A brother joining in a petition for a dispensation for a new lodge shall not thereby sever his membership from the chartered lodge of which he may be a member, but shall be liable for dues to the new lodge from the date of the dispensation and to the chartered lodge to the date of the charter issued to the new lodge, unless he shall be sooner dimitted.
- **647.** A brother on becoming a charter member of a new lodge shall be thereby dimitted from the elder lodge,

and the master of the new lodge shall cause immediate notice to be sent to the elder lodge of the name of such member: *Provided*, that this section shall not be so construed as to permit a member of a lodge in another jurisdiction to become a member of a chartered lodge in this jurisdiction until he has obtained a regular dimit from the lodge of which he was a member.

- **648.** A petition for a charter shall contain only the names of the brethren named in the original letters of dispensation and the names of such brethren as may have been made master masons while the lodge was working under dispensation. These brethren cannot be debarred from signing the petition for a charter, nor shall any other names than those specified be entered in the charter.
- **649.** The master of a lodge under dispensation shall not be amenable to discipline by any chartered lodge during his official term; but in case such dispensation be annulled, or a charter withheld, the lodge of original jurisdiction may take cognizance of the conduct of such master, unless the same shall be of a strictly official character.
- 650. Every newly chartered lodge shall be duly constituted, and its officers properly installed, by the Grand Master or his special representative, assisted by an occasional Grand Lodge, before said new lodge can work or do business under its charter.
- 651. No charter shall issue to a lodge under dispensation until it shall have conferred the degrees of entered apprentice, fellow craft, and master mason, in manner and form as prescribed by the by-laws and regulations of the Grand Lodge.

652. A newly constituted lodge shall not transact any business until it has adopted a code of by-laws approved by the Grand Master.

Annual Returns of Lodges

- 657. The fiscal year of all constituent lodges shall commence on the first day of July and end on the thirtieth day of June of each year, and the returns of work, and the payment of Grand Lodge dues, shall be made accordingly.
- **658.** The returns of each lodge, together with the Grand Lodge dues, shall be filed with and paid to the grand secretary on or before the first day of August of each year.
- **659.** If the returns of a lodge are not made, and Grand Lodge dues (which should accompany the returns) are not paid on or before the fifteenth day of August of each year, the representative of such delinquent lodge shall not be paid any mileage or per diem.
- **660.** Returns of lodges shall be transmitted to the grand secretary by mail, express, or other reliable expeditious manner.
- 661. Returns of lodges shall embrace a complete list of officers and members; all initiations, passings, and raisings; all admissions, rejections, suspensions, expulsions, reinstatements, dimits and deaths, with their respective dates; the number of miles from its location to the place of meeting of the Grand Lodge by the usually traveled route, and such other matters as may be required by the blank form provided by the grand secretary.

662. The returns of lodges shall be attested by the seal of the lodge and signed by the master and secretary.

Annual Dues of Lodges

- 667. Every lodge in this jurisdiction, on or before the first day of August each year, shall pay into the treasury of the Grand Lodge, through the grand secretary, the sum of ninety cents for each master mason belonging to such lodge at the time of making the annual returns. Of this ninety cents the sum of fifty-five cents shall be for the general fund and thirty-five cents for the charity fund, subject to such appropriations from time to time as the Grand Lodge may direct.
- 668. Any lodge that shall neglect or refuse to pay its annual dues shall forfeit all claim for mileage and per diem; and should such neglect or refusal continue for two successive years the warrant or charter shall be suspended and the effects of the lodge disposed of, as provided in Code No. 678, page 122: Provided, that for satisfactory reasons for a failure to comply with the foregoing requirements, and upon making full returns, and paying all back dues, the charter and other effects of such lodge may be restored by the Grand Lodge upon a vote of two-thirds of the members present at the stated annual meeting.
- 669. Where a lodge is in arrears for Grand Lodge dues for more than one year any payment made must be applied to the dues of the year farthest back. A representative of a constituent lodge is not entitled to mileage and per diem unless all Grand Lodge dues are fully paid.

Dissolution of Lodges

- **674.** A lodge may be dissolved:
 - **A.** By the voluntary surrender of its charter.
 - **B.** By a revocation of its charter by the Grand Lodge.
- 675. The charter of a lodge may be surrendered if the proposal be presented to a stated meeting thereof, and the same be acted upon at a subsequent stated meeting, of which all the members whose residence is known shall have due and timely notice; but no charter can be surrendered as long as seven master masons, members of the lodge, desire to continue to work under it, in accordance with the laws of masonry, and the by-laws and regulations of the Grand Lodge.
- **676.** The charter of a lodge may be suspended or revoked:
 - **A.** For disobedience of any provision of the constitution, by-laws, rules, or regulations of the Grand Lodge.
 - **B.** For violation or neglect of any of the generally recognized usages of he craft.
 - **C.** For disregard of the lawful authority of the Grand Master.
 - **D.** For a failure to meet during a period of six successive months.
 - **E.** For a failure to make returns or pay its dues to the Grand Lodge for two successive years.

- 677. No charter shall be suspended or revoked except for cause, of which the lodge shall have due notice, and an opportunity to be heard.
- 678. If the charter of a lodge shall be suspended or revoked, or if from any other cause a lodge shall become dormant, it shall be the duty of the last master, treasurer, or secretary thereof to surrender to the district deputy grand master (subject to the orders of the Grand Master) the charter, books, papers, jewels, furniture, moneys, and other property belonging to said lodge, within two months from the time of such suspension, revocation, or becoming dormant, and every member of a lodge who shall refuse to make such surrender, or who shall, by vote or otherwise, make any other disposition of said effects than as herein designated, shall be liable to masonic discipline for violating the by-laws and regulations of the Grand Lodge. All moneys accruing from property as herein prescribed shall belong to and be placed in the charity fund of the Grand Lodge.
- 679. If at any time it shall be found necessary to suspend or revoke the warrant or charter of any lodge under this jurisdiction for irregular or unmasonic conduct, the members of such lodge implicated in such conduct shall be subject to discipline by the lodge acquiring jurisdiction.
- **680.** Upon the dissolution of a lodge for any cause its members who are not subject to the provisions of the last preceding section, upon payment of any back dues to the grand secretary, shall be entitled to a certificate from that officer, setting forth their masonic standing.

which certificate shall be recognized in this jurisdiction in lieu of a regular dimit.

- **681.** Whenever any lodge shall cease to work for six months the next nearest lodge or lodges may exercise jurisdiction over the territory and act upon petitions from citizens residing therein, unless cause for such cessation shall be presented to and be deemed satisfactory by the Grand Master, who in such event shall notify the lodges interested.
- 682. When a lodge has taken action in any matter and has afterward ceased to exist, any further action required or authorized by law, including the completion of unfinished work shall be performed by the lodge acquiring jurisdiction, but entered apprentices or fellow crafts so advanced shall not become members of said lodge without being duly elected therein.
- **683.** A lodge whose functions have been suspended by the Grand Master does not lose jurisdiction over its rejected material until its charter has been declared vacated by the Grand Lodge.
- **684.** When a lodge ceases to exist, its rejected material can petition any lodge having territorial or concurrent jurisdiction. The personal jurisdiction which a lodge acquires by rejecting a candidate ceases when such lodge becomes defunct.
- **685.** Any mason who shall be present at or assist in the work of a lodge, knowing its charter or warrant to have been suspended or revoked, shall be liable to discipline.

686. When any charter shall be declared vacated by the Grand Lodge it shall be erased from the register, and its number shall not again be used upon a charter in this jurisdiction.

Consolidation of Lodges

- 691. Any two or more lodges may consolidate their membership into one lodge: Provided, that the proposal for such consolidation shall be presented at a stated meeting of each of the lodges interested, and be acted upon at a subsequent stated meeting, of which all the resident members shall have due notice. Such consolidation shall not be consummated except by the unanimous vote of the members present when such proposal is acted upon.
- 692. When any consolidation shall have been so effected, and the Grand Lodge or Grand Master officially informed of the same, a special charter shall be issued without fee, containing the names of the new officers, and bearing the number of one of the said lodges and such name as may have been selected.
- 693. The title to all property and effects of the lodges so consolidated shall be in the lodge named in the new charter. Before such new lodge can lawfully act under said charter it must be duly constituted, and its officers installed by the Grand Master or his proxy.

Charters of Lodges

698. Whenever the charter of a lodge shall be destroyed, stolen, or surreptitiously taken and detained, without the fault of the lodge or master, it shall be the duty of the Grand Lodge or Grand Master to cause a duplicate charter to issue, without fee, bearing the original

name and number, together with the names of the original grand officers and charter members, supplemented with the cause of its issue, and signed by the Grand Master and grand secretary, and attested by the seal of the Grand Lodge.

- 699. The master shall have the custody and care of the charter of the lodge at all times, and it should be present at all meetings of the lodge, but its temporary absence shall not invalidate the actions of the lodge so long as no act of the Grand Lodge or Grand Master has suspended the functions of the lodge.
- **700.** Whenever the charter of a lodge shall become so defaced or illegible as to be unfit for use, the Grand Lodge or Grand Master may, upon satisfactory proof of such condition, and the payment of five dollars into the Grand Lodge treasury, cause a new charter to issue.
- 201. When a lodge desires to change its name a resolution to that effect embodying the new name shall be introduced at a stated meeting, and action thereon deferred to the next or some designated subsequent stated meeting. Notice of the proposed change and the date of voting thereon shall be given to all resident members. If the proposed change is favored by a two-thirds ballot the secretary shall, under seal, certify the fact to the grand secretary thirty days previous to the next meeting of the Grand Lodge, and he shall transmit the same to the committee on petitions. If the Grand Lodge consents to the change, the Grand Master, grand wardens and grand secretary shall sign a proper certificate to be appended to the lodge charter.

Summons

- **706.** Every summons issued by a chartered lodge shall be by order of the lodge or master, be written or printed, attested by the seal of the lodge, and signed by the master or secretary. No other matter than the requirement to attend a meeting of the lodge need be inserted.
- **707.** An instrument of writing designed for a summons, no matter how worded, is not a summons unless personally served. If sent by mail it becomes a notice.
- **708.** Every mason shall faithfully obey a summons issued by the lodge and duly served upon him, if within his power; and for a failure to do so shall be liable to discipline in the manner provided by law, unless excused for reasons satisfactory to a majority of the members present at a stated meeting of the lodge.
- 709. The master shall require written return to be made upon a summons of the service thereof.
- **710.** No general summons shall be issued except for purposes of importance to the lodge or masonry.

Use of Masonic Name and Emblems

- 715. The use of masonic emblems and devices on business cards or signs, or by way of advertisement, except for legitimate masonic purposes, is strictly forbidden.
- **716.** No mason shall give the masonic name to any business concern, association, or calling organized or prosecuted for profit or for a livelihood.
- 717. No mason shall use, or be a party to the using, of the word "masonic" as a part of the style and title or

designation of any business firm, concern, company, association, or enterprise whatever, whether for profit or otherwise, unless such business shall be the printing or publishing of masonic books, papers or periodicals, or the manufacture and sale of masonic supplies.

BY-LAWS RELATING TO DISCIPLINE

Disciplinary Powers of Lodges

800. Every lodge shall have the right, when any moral or masonic law has been violated, to exercise discipline over all its members, wherever residing, and over all masons, affiliated or unaffiliated (except present masters or the Grand Master), residing or sojourning within its territorial jurisdiction.

Unaffiliates Amenable to Either Lodge

801. An unaffiliated Mason residing within the jurisdiction of one lodge and having his place of business in another is amenable to either lodge for any masonic offense committed therein.

Notice of Discipline of Sojourners

802. In case of offending masons who are members of any other lodge, the lodge within whose jurisdiction the offender resides, or is sojourning, shall, in case the offender shall be suspended or expelled, give notice thereof to the lodge of which he may be or shall have last been a member.

Who May Prefer Charges

803. Any member of a lodge may prefer charges against an offending brother; but to further the administration of justice it shall be the special duty of the junior

warden, in the absence of other accusers, to take steps to bring to trial all masonic offenders.

Further Trial of Suspended Mason

804. A suspended mason, charged with unmasonic conduct, which, if established, would justify a greater punishment than he is undergoing, may be arraigned for trial, and if found guilty adequate punishment may be inflicted.

Trial Must Precede Penalty

805. A lodge cannot, by its by-laws, deprive a brother of his rights, except as the result of a trial and judgment, nor can the relation a mason sustains to the fraternity at the time of his death be changed.

Publication of Trial Details Prohibited

806. No lodge, or member thereof, shall publish in any newspaper, magazine, pamphlet, or circular, or otherwise make public the details or result of any masonic trial.

Visitors at Trials

807. The presence of visitors in a lodge during any of the proceedings of a masonic trial shall be optional with the lodge or master.

No Statute of Limitations

808. In the trial of masonic offenses there is no statute of limitations.

Trial of Mason Under Duress

809. When a brother is charged with unmasonic conduct, he being at the time in confinement for an offense

against the state, the lodge need not, after having given him due notice and reasonable time and opportunity to prepare his defense, wait for his term of imprisonment to expire, but may conduct the proceedings to a final issue without his presence.

Counsel Cannot be Excluded by Objection

810. A mason employed as counsel by a brother on trial is not to be considered as a visitor during such trial, and therefore cannot be excluded on the objection of a member.

Court Record Not Sufficient

811. The record of the trial and conviction of the accused of the same offense in a civil court is not sufficient to warrant the lodge in finding a verdict of guilty, but may be introduced as a part of the evidence.

Evidence Must Be Heard

812. In every masonic trial the case must be conducted according to the rules laid down by the Grand Lodge, which require the jury to hear the evidence before voting on the question of guilt or innocence.

Dispatch in Masonic Trials

813. Every masonic trial begun shall be prosecuted with as much dispatch as the law governing the same and full justice to the accused and accuser will permit.

Securing Attendance of Witnesses

814. It shall be the duty of the accused and accuser to secure the attendance of their respective witnesses who

are not masons, and when necessary they may, through the master and secretary of the lodge, summon for such purpose any resident mason.

Degree on Which Lodges Shall Be Opened During Trials

815. When testimony is taken in open lodge, the lodge shall be opened on the highest degree to which the accused has attained in Ancient Craft Masonry; but the decision as to guilt or innocence, and the question of punishment, shall be severally determined in and by a lodge of master masons.

Failure to Inflict Punishment

816. The failure of a lodge to inflict punishment proportionate to the offense, when a mason, after due trial, has been found guilty of unmasonic conduct, shall subject the lodge to discipline.

Notice of Result of Trial

817. When any mason shall have been expelled or suspended by a lodge he shall be notified of such action by the secretary in person if practicable, or by registered letter to last known address. When any brother shall have been acquitted the master shall announce the fact in open lodge.

Notice of Discipline to Grand Secretary

818. Every lodge shall communicate to the grand secretary all suspensions and expulsions as they may severally occur.

Masonic Standing Not Affected Until Conviction

819. The status of a mason under charges is not affected until after conviction.

Masonic Offenses

- 824. The offenses of which a lodge may take cognizance, and to which it shall give full, fair, and lawful trial, and upon conviction administer adequate punishment, are unlawful and immoral conduct, immorality, and particularly acts which tend to impair the good name of masonry, which are contrary to the fundamental principle of masonry that every candidate seeking masonic light must come of his own free will and accord, without solicitation from any member of the fraternity, or which violate masonic obligations, or the by-laws and regulations of the Grand Lodge.
- **825.** Lodges shall not take cognizance of difficulties of a legal character growing out of business transactions between brethren, or entertain charges against a brother for the purpose of adjusting mere legal rights, pecuniary or otherwise, unless such charges shall clearly specify fraud on the part of the alleged offender.
- **826.** The master shall not permit any charges or specifications, or any other subject matter, either written or oral, involving questions of a partisan or sectarian character, to be read in or in any manner presented to the lodge.

Charges and Specifications

831. All charges of unmasonic conduct shall be made in writing, specifying with reasonable certainty the character of the offense alleged, and the time and place of its commission, as near as may be practicable, and be signed by the accuser, who must be an affiliated master mason in good standing. Charges must be so explicit that the

accused may have a fair understanding of what he has to meet.

832. If a lodge shall accept charges too vague or indefinite to be understood the master may refuse to proceed until the charges are made specific.

Filing of Charges

- **837.** All charges and specifications shall be filed with the secretary of the lodge.
 - **A.** If charges are received at a stated meeting they shall be then and there read.
 - **B.** If charges are received during recess of the lodge said charges shall be read at the next stated meeting thereafter, of which meeting all the resident members shall have due notice.
 - **C.** In cases where the magnitude of an offense demands, or where the lodge or the master shall deem it for the best interests of masonry, the matter may be laid before the Grand Master, and by authority of his dispensation said charges may be read and accepted at a special meeting of the lodge, called for the purpose, of which due notice shall be given the resident members.

Acceptance of Charges by Lodges

- **842.** When charges have been presented and read the lodge shall decide by a majority vote whether they shall be accepted and the accused brother placed on trial.
- **843.** After charges have been accepted by a lodge they cannot be withdrawn except for cause shown, and by vote of two-thirds of the members present.

844. Charges cannot be amended, after being accepted by a lodge, except by a majority vote, nor unless the accused shall have due notice of the proposed amendment.

Fixing Date and Place of Trials

- **849.** Immediately upon the acceptance of charges by a lodge the master shall appoint the time and place for trial.
- 850. The trial of charges may proceed at any meeting appointed for the purpose, and continue until completed.

Notice of Time and Place of Trial

855. It shall be the duty of the master after charges have been accepted by a lodge to cause the accused to be served with a duly attested copy of the charges and specifications, and a citation stating the time and place appointed for the trial thereof, which must be on a date subsequent to the next stated meeting of the lodge, and to give notice of same to all resident members of the lodge.

Trial in Absence of Accused

860. If the accused shall neglect or refuse or fail to attend in person, after notice has been duly served on him, or if notice can not be served on him personally, by reason of his residence being unknown, or beyond the limits of the county in which the lodge is located, then a copy of such notice shall be sent to him by mail, addressed to him at his last known place of residence, and upon proof that the notice has been sent to him as herein prescribed, the lodge at the time specified in such notice may proceed without his presence, and conduct the trial to a final issue: *Provided*, that at least one stated meeting

shall intervene between the time of mailing such notice and any action by the lodge in pursuance thereof. In such case the master, with the consent of the lodge, shall appoint a competent brother to act as the representative of the accused, but this shall not be construed to give said representative any claim against the lodge for services.

Trial by Commission

- 865. After a lodge has accepted charges against a brother, and the lodge (by a majority vote), the accused, or the accuser shall make the request that the case be tried by a commission, the matter shall be referred to the Grand Master, who, if he approves the request, shall appoint a trial commission to take charge of and try the case.
- **866.** Trial commissions appointed by the Grand Master shall consist of three disinterested and experienced brethren, members of lodges in Illinois, and residing outside the jurisdiction of the lodge interested.
- 867. Trial commissions shall be clothed with the authority to summon witnesses through the master and secretary of the lodge.
- 868. A trial commission shall thoroughly investigate the case submitted to it and make a complete record of the facts and testimony. They shall employ a competent stenographer, and shall make four copies of the minutes and the evidence, one for the Grand Master, one for the commission, one for the lodge, and one for the accused.
- 869. The commission shall make a complete record of the trial, and at its completion report the same, with its decision, to the lodge and the Grand Master.

- **870.** If the commission finds the accused guilty the commission shall assess the penalty, and upon its report to the lodge the secretary shall record the same in his minutes, and notify the accused of the result.
- **871.** The sentence imposed by the commission shall take effect as soon as it is reported to the lodge.
- **872.** Appeal by either party shall be the same as if the trial had been conducted by the lodge.
- 873. The members of a commission shall be entitled to a per diem, the same as paid the committees of the Grand Lodge, and their necessary traveling and hotel expenses, the same to be paid in equal parts by the lodge and accused when the charges are brought by a lodge, or by the accuser and accused when between brethren.
- **874.** If a brother certifies in writing that he is unable to pay his share of the expenses, the same shall be borne by the lodge.
- 875. The Grand Master may at his discretion refer any lodge trial to a commission, with like powers and duties as those herein described.

Witnesses and Testimony

- 880. Witnesses in masonic trials who are masons shall be mentally competent, and in good standing in the fraternity, and may be affiliated or non-affiliated brethren.
- **881.** Every mason shall give his testimony upon his honor as a mason.
- 882. Witnesses in masonic trials who are not masons must be persons of sound mind, and of such religious

belief as to feel the obligations of an oath, administered by any competent legal officer.

883. The evidence of both the accuser and the accused, if offered, shall be received in any masonic trial, subject to the decision of the master as to its relevancy.

Testimony Taken by Special Committee

- 888. The testimony of witnesses who are masons may be taken in open lodge, or by a special committee appointed by the master, to consist of not less than three competent members of the lodge, either of whom, if objected to by either of the parties for cause, may be removed by the master and another appointed.
- **889.** A committee appointed to take testimony shall not quash or modify charges and specifications, but shall hear the testimony of witnesses and report the same to the lodge.
- 890. A committee appointed to take testimony shall convene and select from their number a chairman and secretary; and when so organized shall have power, through the master and secretary of the lodge, to summon before them the accused and accuser, with their respective witnesses, and such committee may sit whenever and as often as it may deem best for the interests of masonry, provided due notice is given to the accused and accuser.
- **891.** A committee appointed to take testimony shall examine witnesses who are not masons, and the accused or accuser, in person or by attorney, shall be entitled to be present and propound such relevant questions as they may desire.

- **892.** If an accused mason, whose trial is pending, appears before the committee taking the evidence, and persists in such boisterous and indecorous conduct, as to prevent the evidence being taken in his presence, the committee would be warranted in ejecting him and taking the evidence in his absence.
- 893. The proceedings of a committee appointed to take testimony shall be governed by the provisions of Code No. 880-883, pages 136-137, and Code No. 895, page 138. The duties of the master and secretary prescribed in Code Nos. 900 and 901, page 138, shall apply to and be discharged by the chairman and secretary of the committee.
- 894. When a committee appointed to take testimony has concluded its labors, it shall report its proceedings and all the evidence to the lodge. Upon retirement of the accused and accuser any member of the lodge present may express his views of the case. Any portion or the whole of the evidence shall be read, as he may require, to enable him to come to a decision.
- 895. The testimony of any witness unable to attend the lodge or a committee may be taken by deposition before a properly authorized person, due notice of the time and place having first been given.

Trial Procedure

- **900.** The master shall decide all questions arising as to the relevancy of the evidence and the regularity of the proceedings.
- 901. The secretary shall take down in writing all the evidence submitted by both the prosecution and defense,

and note all objections made by either party, and the rulings of the master, and the record thereof shall be filed among the archives of the lodge, and the main facts of the case shall be entered upon the lodge records.

- 902. At the conclusion of the testimony the accused and accuser in person, or through their attorneys, may, if they desire, address such relevant remarks to the lodge upon the merits of the case as may be deemed proper, after which the accused and the accuser shall retire from the lodge and remain in an ante-room until the final decision: *Provided*, that if the junior warden shall be the accuser, in his official capacity, he shall not be obliged to retire.
- **903.** After the retirement of the accused and accuser any member entitled to vote may express his views of the case and of the law and the facts involved.
- **904.** During a masonic trial no member shall be permitted to withdraw from the lodge until after final action, except for urgent cause, and by consent of two-thirds of the members present.
- **905.** A brother against whom charges have been preferred may deny or admit any portion or the whole of the charges and specifications.
- **906.** In case an accused brother shall plead guilty to either of the charges or specifications such plea may be accepted as evidence, and shall render the taking of further proof upon such charge or specification unnecessary; but such plea shall not excuse the lodge from voting upon the question of guilt or innocence.

907. An unauthorized plea of guilty, entered in the absence of the accused by an attorney who has been appointed to defend him, cannot be accepted by a lodge or a committee as a bar to the taking of testimony.

Securing a Verdict

- **912.** Upon conclusion of the trial the question of "guilty" or "not guilty" shall be immediately and distinctly put by the master, upon each charge and each specification under each charge in its order until all have been voted upon separately.
- **913.** Every member of a lodge conducting a trial who may be present shall be required to vote.
- **914.** It shall require a vote by ballot of two-thirds of the members present at a trial to sustain any charge or specification.
- 915. If, after a vote has been taken upon each charge and specification, any charge or specification shall be sustained, the accused shall be declared guilty, and the master shall put the question as to the amount of punishment, beginning with the greatest, and, if not sustained, the next grade and so on, ending with the least masonic penalty in order as hereinafter provided.
- **916.** A vote by ballot of two-thirds of the members of the lodge present at a trial shall be necessary to decide the degree of punishment.

GRADES OF PUNISHMENT

921. The masonic punishment which shall be inflicted by chartered lodges, for unmasonic conduct, after due trial and conviction, shall be, in the discretion of the lodge, either Expulsion, Indefinite Suspension, Definite Suspension, or Reprimand.

Expulsion

922. Expulsion involves an absolute deprivation of all rights, privileges, and benefits of masonry to the delinquent and his family. The infliction of such punishment shall require a vote by ballot of two-thirds of the members present at the close of the trial.

Indefinite Suspension

923. Indefinite Suspension, whether for non-payment of dues or for any other offense, subjects an offender, during such suspension, to the same penalties as are prescribed in Code No. 922, page 141, and the infliction of such punishment shall require a vote by ballot of two-thirds of the members present at the close of the trial. The relation which a mason sustains to his lodge after having been indefinitely suspended by it is that of a member under disabilities; and the lodge still retains its right of original penal jurisdiction over him for any masonic offense during his suspension, whether committed within its territory or elsewhere.

Definite Suspension

924. Definite Suspension shall require a two-thirds ballot. The penalty and the period of suspension

may be voted upon together or separately. Definite suspension shall not be voted for a longer time than one year, nor for a less time than one month.

Reprimand

925. Reprimand shall be the least masonic punishment, and shall be inflicted only after due trial and conviction, and when voted by a two-thirds ballot of the members present. The reprimand shall be administered in open lodge by the master.

Cannot Expel for Non-Payment of Dues

926. No lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge shall expel a member for non-payment of dues.

Violation of Lodge Etiquette

927. Any brother violating the proprieties of lodge etiquette may be censured therefor upon a motion and vote of a majority of the members present.

Expenses of Trials

932. In taking testimony before a committee to be used in any masonic trial, in all cases where charges have been preferred by vote of the lodge or by the junior warden in his official capacity as such, the lodge shall pay all the expenses of procuring the attendance of witnesses for the prosecution and of a stenographer, when one is used, to take the same in shorthand and to transcribe the proceedings and testimony.

- **933.** When the charges have been preferred by an individual member or members of the lodge, such expenses shall be paid by the party or parties preferring the charges.
- 934. The expense of procuring the attendance of witnesses for the defense and of a stenographer to take and transcribe their testimony shall be paid by the defendant. All evidence when so taken and transcribed shall be filed with the secretary of the lodge on or before the time of trial, and shall thereafter be the property of the lodge and remain in the custody of the secretary.
- **935.** At all masonic trials when witnesses are examined in open lodge the master shall procure the services of a competent stenographer who is a master mason, if one can be procured, to attend such meeting of the lodge and to take and transcribe the testimony and the rulings of the master and the proceedings of the lodge with reference to such case, the expense thereof to be paid by the lodge. And the same, when so transcribed, shall be filed with the secretary of the lodge and remain thereafter in his custody.
- **936.** Should an appeal be taken from the decision of the lodge in any case, the party taking the appeal or the lodge, if it orders the appeal, shall pay the cost of making a record of the appeal proceedings and of a transcript of the testimony and rulings above mentioned, to be filed with the Grand Lodge.
- **937.** If the lodge acquits a defendant and a member appeals and the appeal is sustained by the Grand Lodge, the lodge shall repay the appellant the cost of the appeal as to the items of cost hereinbefore mentioned.

- 938. In all cases where charges are preferred by order of the lodge or by the junior warden in his official capacity, and the defendant found not guilty as to all of the specifications against him, either by the lodge on a trial of the charge and specifications, or by the Grand Lodge on appeal, then any expenses which had been actually and necessarily paid or incurred by the defendant for the purposes aforesaid, shall be repaid to him by the lodge after the time of appeal has expired, but in case an appeal is taken the repayment shall await the final action of the Grand Lodge.
- **939.** In case of a conviction on some specifications and an acquittal on others, the lodge shall apportion such expenses in such manner as may be just and equitable.
- **940.** Where a brother shall certify in writing that he is too poor to pay any or all of the expenses incurred, the lodge may by a majority vote pay the same for him.
- **941.** No lodge shall in any case pay any part of the fees or compensation of attorneys or persons acting as attorneys on either side of any masonic trial.

Suspension for Non-Payment of Dues

- **946.** The payment of annual dues is a duty incumbent upon every member of a lodge, and the neglect or refusal to fulfill this duty shall be (except for good cause) an infraction of masonic law and a violation of a masonic covenant, and shall subject the delinquent to lodge discipline.
- 947. No lodge shall authorize or create any form of life membership or in any manner exempt any of its

members from the payment of dues, which shall be uniform upon all members. Nothing herein shall be construed to affect any right heretofore acquired by any member of a lodge under the by-laws of any constituent lodge.

- **948.** A lodge may remit, by a majority vote, the whole or any portion of the dues of any member then due, if his pecuniary circumstances justify such action.
- **949.** No lodge shall suspend a member for non-payment of dues without due notice and fair trial, nor can lodge by-laws calling for the payment of dues in advance be enforced by disciplinary proceedings. A brother cannot be suspended for non-payment of dues unless the delinquency is for time already passed.
- **950.** The formalities of written charges hereinbefore prescribed for the trial of offenses requiring proof may be dispensed with, and proceedings as prescribed in Code No. 951 and the following code numbers shall be deemed due notice and fair trial for the offense of non-payment of dues.
- **951.** Any member who may be in arrears for dues to a lodge, according to the provisions of its by-laws, shall be notified thereof in writing by the secretary, with a request for the payment of the same at or before some specified subsequent stated meeting of the lodge.
- **952.** If a member neglects or refuses to make answer to a notice to pay dues at or before the time designated therein, he shall be notified in person, if possible, to appear at some specified subsequent stated meeting and

show cause why he should not be suspended for non-payment of dues.

- **953.** If the whereabouts of a brother in arrears for dues be unknown, a written notice shall be addressed to him at his last known place of residence. This shall be deemed *due notice*, and the lodge may proceed without his presence.
- **954.** In extreme cases the master may in his discretion *summon* a brother who is in arrears for dues. If summoned and he fails to answer, upon proof that such summons has been personally served, the offense of non-payment of dues shall be held in abeyance until the delinquent shall show sufficient reason for disobedience of said summons; for which offense any mason may be expelled, after trial and conviction.
- 955. When any member in arrears for dues shall refuse or neglect to answer the notices as described in Code Nos. 951 and 952, page 145, his delinquency may be communicated to the lodge at a stated meeting thereof, which facts, together with the lodge records showing his indebtedness, shall be deemed ample proof of the delinquency.
- **956.** If a brother who has been served with notice of arrears for dues shall be present at the lodge he shall be entitled to make such pleas as he may deem proper, after which he shall retire; and upon such evidence a ballot may be taken upon a motion to suspend the delinquent member indefinitely.
- 957. A vote by ballot of two-thirds of the members present at a stated meeting of the lodge shall be neces-

sary to suspend a brother for non-payment of dues. These proceedings shall be deemed due notice and fair trial.

- 958. No lodge or Grand Lodge dues shall accrue against a mason during the term of his suspension.
- **959.** No lodge shall for any cause abridge the rights or privileges or membership of any of its members without due notice and fair trial and conviction as prescribed in these by-laws. Lodge by-laws which deny or in any manner abridge the rights and franchises of members in arrears for dues, unless their delinquency shall, upon due trial, as provided for in the by-laws of the Grand Lodge, have been adjudged an offense, are inoperative and void.
- **960.** If a lodge accepts a note of hand from a brother, in liquidation of arrearages for dues, it thereby places his obligation for such arrearages on a purely business basis, and cannot make the non-payment of such note the basis of charges with a view to penal discipline.
- **961.** Compulsory process by a lodge to enforce the payment of dues lies only against a member thereof; if a brother has been dimitted from a lodge by the act of the Grand Lodge he cannot afterwards be disciplined for the non-payment of arrearages existing at the time of dimission.
- **962.** An insane brother cannot be disciplined for non-payment of dues. A lodge cannot charge a brother with dues who has been legally declared insane. No lodge shall be chargeable with Grand Lodge dues upon a brother who has been legally declared insane while such disability exists. As an insane person is practically dead to the

state, so an insane brother is practically dead to his lodge, to which he is not amenable for his conduct during the time of his mental aberration.

- **963.** A brother cannot be disciplined for arrearage of dues to a lodge that has ceased to exist.
- **964.** No lodge shall make any by-law, rule, or regulation exempting any member from the payment of dues or any part thereof; *Provided*, *however*, that lodges may remit dues already accrued where the member is, on account of poverty, unable to pay. Except as provided in Code No. 962, page 147, lodges must pay Grand Lodge dues on all their members.

Appeals

- **969.** Any mason who has been subjected to the disciplinary proceedings of a lodge has the right, as has also his accuser, or any member of the lodge, to appeal from any verdict or sentence rendered or adjudged by the lodge.
- **970.** All appeals from any chartered lodge shall be made in writing, and contain a statement of the case, the exceptions taken to the decision of the lodge appealed from, and the grounds upon which the same are based.
- **971.** All appeals shall be filed with the grand secretary at least thirty days prior to the next succeeding annual meeting of the Grand Lodge.
- **972.** The appellant shall give the lodge appealed from notice of his intentions, within ninety days after notice of its action or decision has been given.

- **973.** After notice of appeal has been given the appeal shall not be withdrawn.
- 974. The secretary of a lodge from which an appeal has been taken shall, under the direction of the master, at least thirty days before the meeting of the Grand Lodge, transmit to the grand secretary an attested copy of all the charges, specifications, papers, proceedings, and evidence in the case, and if requested in writing, shall furnish the appellant with a like attested copy (the appellant shall pay the cost of the copy furnished him, but in case the appeal is sustained the amount shall be refunded to him by the lodge): Provided, the times herein specified shall intervene between such action or decision and the annual meeting aforesaid; if not, then such time shall apply to the next succeeding annual meeting of the Grand Lodge, or may be disposed of by the Grand Master during the recess of the Grand Lodge.
- **975.** Whenever an appeal shall be taken from any constituent lodge the Grand Lodge shall have sovereign jurisdiction over the whole case, and may upon investigation:
 - **A.** Dismiss the appeal, approve the proceedings, or affirm the decision appealed from.
 - **B.** Modify or change a decision or sentence, or inflict a penalty where the constituent lodge has failed to do so.
 - **C.** Set aside the proceedings of the lodge for informality, and remand the case for further proceedings.

- **976.** Whenever the Grand Lodge shall modify or change a decision or sentence adjudged by a constituent lodge the same shall be final, and upon notice thereof such constituent lodge shall cause the same to be entered upon its records.
- 977. Whenever the Grand Lodge, on a review of the trial or other proceedings of a lodge resulting in the expulsion or suspension of a mason, shall reverse or annul the judgment of said proceedings, or shall order a new trial, the accused shall be thereby reinstated to all his rights, privileges, and membership. When a case is remanded for new trial, no amendment shall be made to the original charges and specifications, unless the accused shall have due and timely notice thereof.

Reinstatements

- **982.** No lodge shall have the power to reinstate an expelled mason to membership, or to his former rights and privileges in masonry.
- **983.** The Grand Lodge reserves to itself the right, by a majority vote, at any annual meeting upon a recommendation, as provided in Code No. 986, page 151, to reinstate an expelled mason to good standing in the fraternity, as a non-affiliated mason only, but not to membership in any lodge.
- **984.** Any brother reinstated by the Grand Lodge shall be entitled to a certificate of the fact from the grand secretary, which shall serve in lieu of a regular dimit in case of application for membership to any lodge in this jurisdiction.

- **985.** The resumption of membership in any lodge by a brother reinstated to good standing in the fraternity by the Grand Lodge must be acquired by regularly petitioning the lodge and being elected to membership.
- **986.** An expelled mason seeking reinstatement shall petition the lodge from which he was expelled for its recommendation to the Grand Lodge for his reinstatement, which petition shall be presented at a stated meeting of the lodge and be acted upon at the next or subsequent stated meeting, when, if such petition be concurred in by a ballot of two-thirds of the members present, the same shall be so indorsed, under seal, and be transmitted to the grand secretary at least ten days before the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge.
- 987. In case a lodge from which a mason has been expelled, or from which he has been indefinitely suspended, without qualification, by the Grand Lodge, ceases to exist the Grand Lodge may be petitioned direct, with a statement of the facts, and upon favorable action by the Grand Lodge the grand secretary shall furnish him with a certificate of good standing in the fraternity.
- 988. Any mason indefinitely suspended by a constituent lodge for non-payment of dues or other cause may ask for reinstatement at any time, and upon seeking reinstatement, shall petition in writing to the lodge having jurisdiction. The petition shall lie over for action till the next stated meeting, when, on payment or remission of dues, if any, and upon a favorable ballot of two-thirds of the members present at a stated meeting, the petitioner may be reinstated to good standing in the fraternity, leaving him non-affiliated.

- **989.** A mason who has been reinstated to good standing in the fraternity, either by the Grand Lodge or a constituent lodge, must petition for affiliation, as provided in Code No. 470, page 92. If his suspension was for non-payment of dues and he has been reinstated to good standing in the fraternity he may petition the lodge from which he was suspended without the payment of an affiliation fee.
- 990. If a lodge from which a mason shall have been suspended has ceased to exist, the petition for reinstatement may be made to the lodge acquiring jurisdiction, or to the Grand Lodge, who, upon report of the committee on petitions, may reinstate the petitioner to good standing in the fraternity.
- **991.** A lodge cannot refuse to act upon an application for reinstatement for suspension for non-payment of dues.
- 992. In case a lodge declines to reinstate a mason to good standing in the fraternity the amount of the delinquent dues paid by the petitioner, being a just debt, may be retained by the lodge.
- 993. When reinstated to good standing in the fraternity a brother is entitled to receive from the lodge, under its seal and without fee, a certificate of reinstatement and notice that his membership has been terminated.
- 994. Definite suspension shall expire by limitation, and any mason so suspended shall be entitled to resume membership, and all the rights and privileges thereof, at the expiration of the time defined in his sentence, without vote or other action on the part of the lodge.

- **995.** The reinstatement of a suspended mason to good standing in the fraternity by a chartered lodge shall be determined by secret ballot. A petition for reinstatement shall be presented at a stated meeting of the lodge and acted upon at the next or a subsequent stated meeting.
- 996. If the petition of a suspended mason for reinstatement in the fraternity is denied he may petition at any stated meeting, but not oftener than three times in any one year, and the petition must always lie over at least one stated meeting before the ballot is taken.
- **997.** A brother is reinstated to membership in a lodge when the decision suspending or expelling him is reversed or set aside by the Grand Lodge.
- 998. In the event of the unqualified suspension of a brother by the Grand Lodge, said brother can be reinstated only by the action of the Grand Lodge, and the proceedings shall be the same as in the case of an expelled brother. [See Code No. 986, page 151.]
- **999.** A sentence of suspension pronounced by the Grand Lodge may be so qualified at the time it is passed as to authorize reinstatement by the Grand Master or by the lodge of original jurisdiction.
- **1000.** An expelled mason who has been reinstated to good standing in the fraternity by the Grand Lodge can acquire lodge membership only by regularly petitioning a lodge for affiliation.

Discipline of Masters

1005. A master may be disciplined by his lodge after the expiration of his official term for any unmasonic

conduct except for official misconduct or a violation of his official obligation.

1006. All complaints for official misconduct of a master must be made to the proper authority during the official term of the offender, otherwise he shall not be disciplined therefor.

1007. The fact that a master of a lodge has been deposed from office by order of the Grand Lodge or Grand Master does not of itself deprive him of the rights and privileges of lodge membership, but such deposition brings him within the disciplinary jurisdiction of the lodge, who may then place him on trial for unmasonic conduct, but not for official misconduct.

When a controversy shall arise between lodges, or between a lodge and its master, or charges be preferred, or an informal complaint be made, the same may be filed with the Grand Lodge, if in session, or during recess be lodged with the Grand Master. If the matter be deemed by him of a sufficiently grave character to warrant investigation he may proceed in person or appoint a commission of not more than seven nor less than three masters or past masters to investigate such charges or complaint. Such commission shall have authority to summon witnesses and shall have such other power as may be specially delegated to them by the Grand Master, and shall make such report and give such opinion to the Grand Master as will enable him to make a final decision. Nothing herein shall be construed to authorize the Grand Master to deprive a brother disciplined under its provisions of the rights and privileges of masonry for a longer period than during the recess of the Grand Lodge.

1009. When any trouble shall arise between brethren or between lodges which shall require the presence of the Grand Master or other grand officers, or a commission, such brethren or lodges shall be required to pay *pro rata* the reasonable expense incurred by such commission or officers in the discharge of their official duty.

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS—Adopted 1913

Article 3, Part 2.

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 Art. 1, Part 1.

Sec. 5. There shall be a Committee on New Legislation, consisting of three members of the Grand Lodge, appointed by the Grand Master—one for one year, one for two years and one for three years, and thereafter one to be appointed each year to serve three years. To this committee shall be referred all propositions to amend the by-laws of the Grand Lodge, after the same have been seconded by the Grand Lodge as now provided, and the committee shall report them back to the Grand Lodge with its recommendations as to action thereon. No amendment shall be finally voted upon by the Grand Lodge until said committee has considered and reported upon the same, when it must be favored by a two-thirds vote before becoming law. To this committee shall also be referred all decisions made by the Grand Master. The committee shall put these decisions into the form of law, giving them numbers under the appropriate article and section of the law, and report thereon to the Grand Lodge. All decisions by the Grand Master shall have the force of law until next meeting of Grand Lodge, but no longer unless then reported upon by the committee and adopted by a two-thirds vote of the Grand Lodge.

Article 6, Part 1.

Sec. 3. He shall execute and file with the Grand Master, before his installation, an official bond in such penal sum as may be prescribed by the Grand Lodge, with such security as shall be approved by the Grand Master, conditioned that he will faithfully discharge the duties of his office as prescribed by these by-laws.

Article 5, Part 1.

Sec. 2. The Grand Treasurer shall execute and file with the Grand Master, before his installation, an official bond, in such penal sum as may be prescribed by the Grand Lodge, with security to be approved by the Grand Master, conditioned that he will faithfully discharge the duties of his office as prescribed in these by-laws, and at the end of his term, or sooner, if lawfully required so to do, pay over and transfer to his successor in office all funds, securities, books, records, vouchers, or property belonging to the Grand Lodge, which shall have come into his keeping.

AMENDMENTS TO BY LAWS—Proposed 1913

Amend Sec. 2, Art. 5, Part 1, by adding:

Where a Surety Company Bond is given the fee therefor may be paid out of the Grand Lodge Treasury.

Amend Sec. 3, Art. 6, Part 1, by adding:

Where a Surety Company Bond is given the fee therefor may be paid out of the Grand Lodge Treasury.

Add to Section 3, Article II, Part 2:

"The territorial jurisdiction of every lodge located in any city or town, shall include the whole of such city or town."

Amend Art. 13, Sec. 7, Part 1:

Sec. 7. Every Grand Officer, including District Deputy Grand Masters, in the performance of any duty required of them by the Grand Master or imposed on them by law, shall be entitled to be reimbursed for any moneys actually expended in the necessary discharge of their official duties, but in all cases the claims for such reimbursement shall be subject to the requirements of Section 1 of this article.

The ritual or "work" adopted by this Grand Lodge at the Annual meeting of 1913, shall hereafter be subject to change only by formal affirmative action of the Grand Lodge by two-thirds vote at an Annual Meeting

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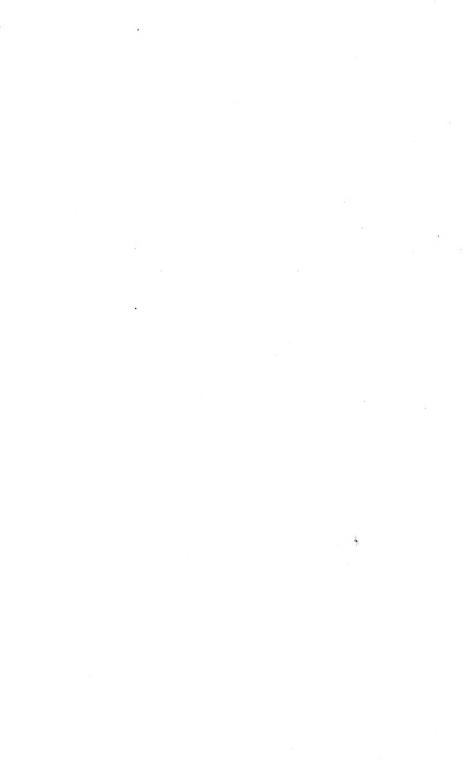
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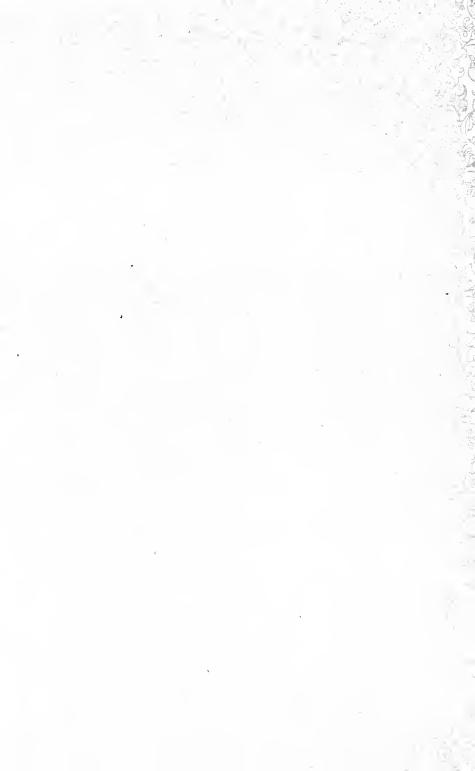
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