

EXTRACT
FROM THE
PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND LODGE
of the
Most Ancient Fraternity
OF
FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS
OF THE
STATE OF LOUISIANA,
Held in the City of New-Orleans.

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Most W. B.

*Agreeably to the Regulations of the Grand Lodge,
I have the honor to forward you one copy of the List of the
Grand Officers, for the Masonic year 5827, and Members of
the same, together with the List of Expulsions which were
communicated.*

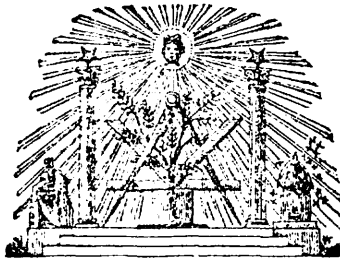
*With sentiments of high regard, I am,
Most Wor. Brother,*

Your devoted and affectionate Brother,

F. DISSARD,

GRAND SECRETARY.

☞ The Grand Secretary's address, is—*Francis Dissard Esq.*
New-Orleans.



GRAND LODGE

OF THE

Most Ancient and Honourable Fraternity

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FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS..

Of Louisiana.



THE GRAND LODGE OF LOUISIANA having met at the hall of their sittings, in the City of New-Orleans, the 30th day of the 10th month A.: L.: 5826, and the same having been opened in ample form, the ELECTION of the Grand Officers for the ensuing year was proceeded to and the Brethren whose names follow, were declared to be duly elected, viz :

T.: M.: R.: B.:

JOHN Hy. HOLLAND, - - R.: W.: Grand Master,
J. MANUEL FLEYTAS, - - Dep. Grand Master,
CHARLES MAURIAN, - - Senior Grand Warden,
ALONZO M. MORPHY, - Junior Grand Warden,
FRANCOIS DISSARD, - - Grand Secretary.
CHRIST. MILTENBERGER, Grand Treasurer,
P. M. ANATOLE PEYCHAUD, Gd. Chaplain or Orator,
ETIENNE BERTEL, - - - Grand Steward,
FRAN. JEAN VERRIER, - ditto.

CHARLES L. GARNIER, - - Grand Sword Bearer, or
Master of Ceremonies.
ALEXANDER PHILIPS, - - Grand Marshal,
J. CALIXTE COUGOURDAN, Gd. Pursuivant.

And on the 14th day of the 11th month, A.: L.: 5826,
the day of the Grand Annual and General Communication, the
several Grand Officers elected were successively installed
into their respective offices, agreeably to ancient usages ; and
after being duly proclaimed, they received the cordial and
accustomed salutations of all the Members present.

The new Grand Master appointed the following Grand
Officers :

BARTOLOME' LOPEZ, - - - Senior Grand Deacon.
GUILLAUME A. MONTMAIN. - Junior Grand Deacon.

Committee of Correspondence :

C. MAURIAN,—D. F. BURTHE,—A. LONGER.

Committee of Accounts :

J. M. FLEITAS—P. M. A. PEYCHAUD—J. BARABINO.

Committee of Information :

G. W. MORGAN—F. CANONGE—A. PHILIPS;

Committee of Economy :

E. BERTEL—J. B. FAGET—E. FISKE



LIST*Of the Members of the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana.*

- JOHN HENRY HOLLAND, deputy sheriff of the parish of Orleans, R.: A.:, K.: T.:, Grand Master.
- J. MANUEL FLEITAS, freeholder, R.: A.:, K.: T.:, Deputy Grand Master.
- CHARLES MAURIAN, lawyer, R.: A.:, K.: T.:, Senior Grand Warden.
- ALONZO M. MORPHY, lawyer, R.: A.:, Junior Grand Warden.
- JEAN FRANCOIS CANONGE, lawyer, R.: A.:, K.: T.:, Ex-Grand Master.
- FRANCOIS DISSARD, late inhabitant of St. Domingo, R.: A.:, K.: T.:, Grand Secretary.
- CHRISTIAN MILTENBERGER, doctor of medicine, R.: A.:, Grand Treasurer.
- P. M. ANATOLE PEYCHAUD, lawyer, R.: A.:, K.: T.:, Grand Chaplain or Orator.
- BARTOLOME' LOPEZ, M.: Senior Grand Deacon.
- GUILLAUME A. MONTMAIN, R.: A.:, K.: T.:, freeholder, Junior Grand Deacon.
- ETIENNE BERTEL, freeholder, Founder, R.: A.:, K.: T.:, Grand Steward.
- FRANCOIS JEAN VERRIER, merchant, R.: A.:, Grand Steward.
- CHARLES L. GARNIER, merchant, R.: A.:, K.: T.:, Grand Sword Bearer or Master of Ceremonies.
- ALEXANDER PHILIPS, merchant, R.: A.:, K.: T.:, Grand Marshal.
- JH. CALIXTE COUGOURDAN, architect, R.: A.:, K.: T.:, Grand Pursuivant.
- ANTOINE FRANCOIS RENAULT, painter, P.: M.:, Grand Tyler.



MEMBERS

Of the Grand Lodge, holding no office in the same.

- JEAN SOULIER, merchant, Founder, Past Grand Master, R. A.
- LOUIS MOREAU LISLET, lawyer, Founder, Past Gd. Master, R. A., K. T.
- MODESTE LEFEBVRE, merchant, Founder, Past Grand Master, R. A., K. T.
- YVES LE MONNIER, doctor of medicine, Founder, Past Master, R. A., K. T.
- AUGUSTIN MACARTY, freeholder, Founder, Past Gd. Gd. Master, R. A., K. T.
- DOMINIQUE FRANCOIS BURTHE, freeholder, Past Gd. Master, R. A.
- L^{ie}. ALEXANDRE FAUSTIN DE BODIN, Officer of the Bank, ex-deputy Gd. Master, R. A.
- AMEDEE LONGER, merchant, ex-Senior Grand Warden, R. A., K. T.
- JEAN BAPTISTE LABATUT, merchant, Founder, R. A.
- VICTOR AMEDEE BONJEAN, goldsmith, Founder, R. A.
- GASPARD DEBUYS, merchant, R. A.
- GEORGE W. MORGAN, sheriff of the Parish of Orleans, R. A.
- JEAN BAPTISTE PLAUCHE, merchant, R. A.
- BARTHELEMY BACAS, cabinet maker, P. M.
- NICOLAS MIOTON, confectioner, R. A.
- LOUIS J. DUFILHO, apothecary, R. A., K. T.
- JEAN BAPTISTE FAGET, broker, R. A., K. T.
- JACQUES VIENNE, merchant, R. A., K. T.
- NICOLAS LESCONFLAIR, architect, R. A., K. T.
- GABRIEL HENRY DE LAUMONT, officer of the Bank, R. A.
- FRANCOIS NAVIER MARTINEZ Y RIZARD, R. A., K. T.

PIERRE ANTOINE ROUSSEAU, Custom-house officer,
R. A., K. T.

H. R. DENIS, lawyer, R. A.

CHARLES KROLL, late navy officer, R. A.

PIERRE CHEVALIER, apothecary, R. A.

PIERRE BLANCHARD, dentist, P. M.

RENE' LEMONNIER, doctor of medicine, R. A.

PIERRE DUBAYLE, teacher of languages, R. A.

JOSEPH BARABINO, merchant, R. A., K. T.,

ANTONIO DUCROS, planter, R. A.

DANIEL R. HOPKINS, merchant, late Master of the
Lodge No. 13, P. M.

CELESTIN LAVERGNE, planter, late Master of the
Lodge No. 19, R. A.

JEAN-BAPTISTE GILLY, merchant, R. A.

Honorary Member.

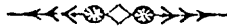
M. P. GILBERT MOTTIER LAFAYETTE, R.
A., K. T.

Officers representing

THE LODGES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND LODGE.

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| N ^o . 1. | { | J. B. PLAUCHE', - - - - - | Master. |
| | | MANUEL CRUZAT, Naval officer, R. A. | Senior Warden |
| | | V. St. VICTOR, officer of the bank, P. M. | Junior Warden |
| N ^o . 3. | { | A. M. MORPHY, - - - - - | Master. |
| | | J ^{rs} . FELIX PINSON, architect, R. A. | Senior Warden |
| | | K. T. - - - - - | Junior Warden |
| N ^o . 4. | { | H. C. CAMMACK, R. A. | Junior Warden |
| | | ANTOINE BARBE, merchant, R. A. | Master. |
| | | JOAQUIN VIOSCA, merchant, R. A. | Senior Warden |
| N ^o . 5. | { | J. B. BALTAZAR PLAUCHE', freehold. M. | Junior Warden |
| | | J. H. HOLLAND, - - - - - | Master. |
| | | VICTOR DAVID, merchant, R. A. | Senior Warden |
| N ^o . 9. | { | AUGUSTE LIAUTAUD, merchant, P. M. | Junior Warden |
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| N ^o . 10. | - | F. DISSARD, their proxy. | |
| N ^o . 12. | - | J. F. CANONGE, their proxy. | |
| N ^o . 13. | - | G. DEBUYS, their proxy. | |

- N^o. 15. — J. F. CANONGE, their proxy.
 N^o. 17. — J. F. CANONGE, their proxy.
 N^o. 19. — J. B. FAGET, their proxy.
 N^o. 20. { Y. LE MONNIER, - - - - - Master.
 { J. M. JOSEPH DUCAVET, auctioneer, M. Senior Warden
 { ANTOINE HEBBARD, tailor, Junior Warden
 N^o. 21. — Y. LE MONNIER, their proxy.
 N^o. 23. — L. A. F. DE BODIN, their proxy.
 N^o. 24. — F. DISSARD, their proxy.
 N^o. 25. { A. DUCROS, R. A. - - - - - Master.
 { G. A. MONTMAIN, R. A. K. T. - - - Senior Warden
 { ANTHONY GUIROT, merchant, R. A. Junior Warden
 N^o. 26. { A. PHILLIPS, - - - - - Master.
 { EBEN FISKE, merchant, R. A. Senior Warden
 { WM. A. SHELDON, apothecary, R. A. Junior Warden
 N^o. 27. { JEN. BARABINO, - - - - - Master.
 { B. LOPEZ, - - - - - Senior Warden
 { NICOLAS BERTOLI, R. A. - - - Junior Warden



LIST

Of Lodges under the jurisdiction of the GRAND LODGE.

- La Parfaite Union*, N^o. 1, sitting in the city of New-Orleans.
La Concorde, N^o. 3, ditto.
La Persévérance, N^o. 4, ditto.
L'Etoile Polaire, N^o. 5, ditto.
La Réunion à la Virtud, N^o. 9, Spanish country.
L'Etoile Flamboyante, N^o. 10, at Baton-Rouge (Louisiana)
La Vérité, N^o. 12, at Donaldsonville ditto.
L'Union, N^o. 13, at Natchitoches ditto.
Columbian, N^o. 15, at Alexandria ditto.
Washington, N^o. 17, at Baton-Rouge ditto.
L'Humble Chaumière, N^o. 19, at St. Landry ditto.
La Triple-Bienfaisance, N^o. 20, at New-Orleans, ditto.
La Sincère Amitié, N^o. 21, at St. Martinville, ditto.
L'Union, N^o. 23, Parish of St. James, ditto.
Western-Star, N^o. 24, at Monroe (Ouachita) ditto.
Lafayette, N^o. 25, at New-Orleans. ditto.
Harmony, N^o. 26, ditto. ditto.
La Numantina, N^o. 27, ditto. ditto.
St. Alban, N^o. 28, at Jackson, ditto.

EXPULSIONS

During the year 1826.

- FELIX F. BRUNEL; DOMINIQUE DUMAINE; AUGUSTE DAVEZAC DE CASTRA; MICHEL D. ESCLAVA; WARREN D. C. HALL; SAMUEL HARRISON & NATHANIEL JENKINS, of the Lodge No. 3, for non-payment of their dues.
- JOSEPH SANCHEZ, of the Lodge No. 4, for non-payment of his dues, and for conduct unbecoming a mason.
- JOSEPH RILLS, of the Lodge No. 4, for non-payment of his dues.
- BARTHELEMI GRIMA, of the Lodge No. 5, for conduct unbecoming a mason.
- AUGUSTUS ADOLPHE and DANIEL LITTLE, of the Lodge No. 24, for conduct unbecoming a mason.



EXTRACTS

Of the Deliberations of the R. W. Grand Lodge, during the year 1826.

SITTING OF THE 26TH OF MARCH.

Resolved, That a W. M. who will be desirous to receive the degree of P. M. shall be exempted to pay the amount of the dispense to the G. L.

SITTING OF THE 1ST OF JULY.

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge, as also the different Lodges under its jurisdiction, shall join the Procession of the citizens of New-Orleans, to assist to the Funeral Oration of our illustrious Brethren THOMAS JEFFERSON and JOHN ADAMS, Ex-Prsidents of the United States, in order to pay the respect due to their memory.

Constitution delivered to install a W. Lodge, at New Orleans, under the title of LA NUMANTINA, N^o. 27.

SITTING OF THE 4TH OF NOVEMBER.

Ditto, ditto at Vermillonville, parish of Lafayette, county of Attakapas, in this State, under the title of LAFAYETTE LODGE.

SITTING OF THE 5TH JANUARY 1827.

Constitution delivered to install a W. L. Lodge at Jackson, parish of East-Fliciana, in this State, under the title of *St. ALBAN'S LODGE, N^o. 28.*

SITTING OF THE 14TH OF JANUARY 1827.

Resolved, That the Oration delivered this day, by the W. L. B. A. PEYCHAUD, Grand Chaplain, shall be printed and made a part of our proceedings.

ORATION

Delivered by W. L. B. A. PEYCHAUD,

Grand Chaplain of the G. L. of the State of Louisiana, on the 14th of January, at the installation of the Grand Officers.

MOST WORSHIPFUL G. L. MASTER, G. L. OFFICERS,

AND YOU MY BRETHREN,

AT the moment when the Grand Masonic assembly of the State has been organised for the year which we have first entered upon, may I be allowed, Brethren of all the Lodges, assembled in the bosom of the Grand Lodge under which we hold, to congratulate you on the happy auspices under which we meet, on the appointments made to the different dignities, and on the prospect of happiness and prosperity which opens before us.

The Royal Art has made unceasing progress in this jurisdiction. The zeal, the ability and the talents of the Grand Master, have powerfully contributed to spread the light, and to give to the profane world, a high idea of our august mysteries. We have seen the subordinate Lodges filled with the most respectable citizens, we have seen various columns arise, fair and strong supporters of the building on which we all labour with so much zeal, success and unanimity. Worthy Brothers, zealous in the cause of masonry, flying from persecution and intolerance, have come to seek a refuge in this

blessed land of liberty. Here they have founded temples, and, above the fear of being disturbed by a suspicious and pusillanimous government, they find themselves protected and encouraged in their noble task. Ah! in taking a view of the governments of the old world, how dear to us will be the liberal institutions under which we live—how deeply will we be penetrated with love, admiration and gratitude for the immortal founders of our independence. If they saved their country, by delivering it from an odious yoke, they are also entitled to be called the benefactors of the human race. Animated by a sentiment of humanity, a tender and active compassion for the evils which afflicted mankind, they have, in their writings, vindicated the natural rights of man and of opinion—they have proclaimed that those rights are inalienable and imprescriptible; thus raising, in all countries, an aspiration for liberty of thinking and writing, for free commerce and industry, for entire freedom of worship, for the abolition of torture and cruel punishments—they gave to the nations, the model of a government the best adapted to work their happiness—in a word, they have paved the way for the regeneration of all nations, by destroying religious and political prejudices, and by restoring to them a proper feeling of their own dignity, too long suppressed by their oppressors. A memorable conflict between two countries arose, the one defending the natural rights of man, the other supporting the impious doctrine which subjects those rights to prescription, to policy or to written conventions. This grand cause was pleaded before the tribunal of public opinion in the presence of all Europe. The rights of man were boldly sustained and developed, without restriction or reserve, in writings which freely circulated from the banks of the Neva to those of the Guadalquivir. These discussions penetrated into countries the most debased, and the most

remote hamlets—the inhabitants of which were astonished to know that they possessed rights—they learned how to appreciate them, and were informed that other men had conquered or defended them.

This digression, my Brethren, into which I have been drawn, by my admiration for the founders of our independence, is not foreign to my subject. I was discoursing of the progress and prosperity of our order: And is it not to their glorious labours, to their sublime conceptions, that we owe this prosperity? Under the egis of their guardian institutions, the Brethren spread over the surface of our vast republic, have nothing to fear from intolerance and superstition: on the contrary, the most illustrious citizens, the highest in office, are proud to belong to the great masonic family.

Our European Brethren do not enjoy the same degree of security. Religious and political prejudices, the spirit of intolerance and persecution seem again to revive to work the misery of mankind. Suspicious and pusilanimous governments have conceived a hatred for our order, so peaceful in its principles, so tranquil in its labours—and already, the tyranny of priests, fit auxiliary of kings, is striving to destroy our venerable institution. But should the throne and the altar, conspiring together, succeed in closing the temples and arresting the noble career of the children of light, still, the triumph of masonry, the reign of reason and liberal ideas, will only be deferred. We all feel that the human race can never return to its ancient barbarism.

If we take a view of the present state of Europe, we shall see that the principles of our immortal constitution are acknowledged by all enlightened men; we shall find them too widely diffused, too loudly professed, for the united efforts of tyrants and priests to hinder them from gradually pene-

trating the mass of the people and teaching them their rights. Yes, my Brethren, let us accord our belief to the prophetic words of a great orator :(*) “ The day will come, when liberty, reigning without a rival in the two worlds, will realize the wish of philosophy, will cleanse mankind of the crime of war and proclaim universal peace ; then the happiness of the people will be the sole object of legislators, the sole force of laws, the only glory of governments. Then private passions, converted into public virtues, will no longer tear asunder the bonds of fraternity by their sanguinary quarrels—that fraternity which ought to unite all governments and all men—Then, finally, will be consummated the pact of union between the whole human family.”

This charming idea of a brotherly union of the whole human family, which no national or political interest would have force to disturb, is perhaps a vision ; but a vision consoling to philosophy ! In the midst of political discord, arising from the struggle of the oppressed against tyranny even in the enlightened age in which we live, the friend of humanity cannot taste unmixed pleasure, but by yielding himself to the pleasing hopes of futurity.

As for us, my Brethren, let us enjoy, with gratitude to the Almighty, all the blessings he has bestowed upon us. Let us continue to deserve the public esteem ; let us persevere in spreading the light—and, casting its rays from all the altars of happy America, may it become a vast beacon, to direct the nations of the earth on the road to happiness and liberty.

(*) Mirabeau.