

# PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## M.: W.: GRAND LODGE

OF

F. and A. Masons,

OF THE

STATE OF LOUISIANA,

AT ITS FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION,

HELD AT NEW ORLEANS, FEBRUARY 8, 1858.

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M. W. AMOS ADAMS, Grand Master.

W. SAMUEL G. RISK, Grand Secretary.

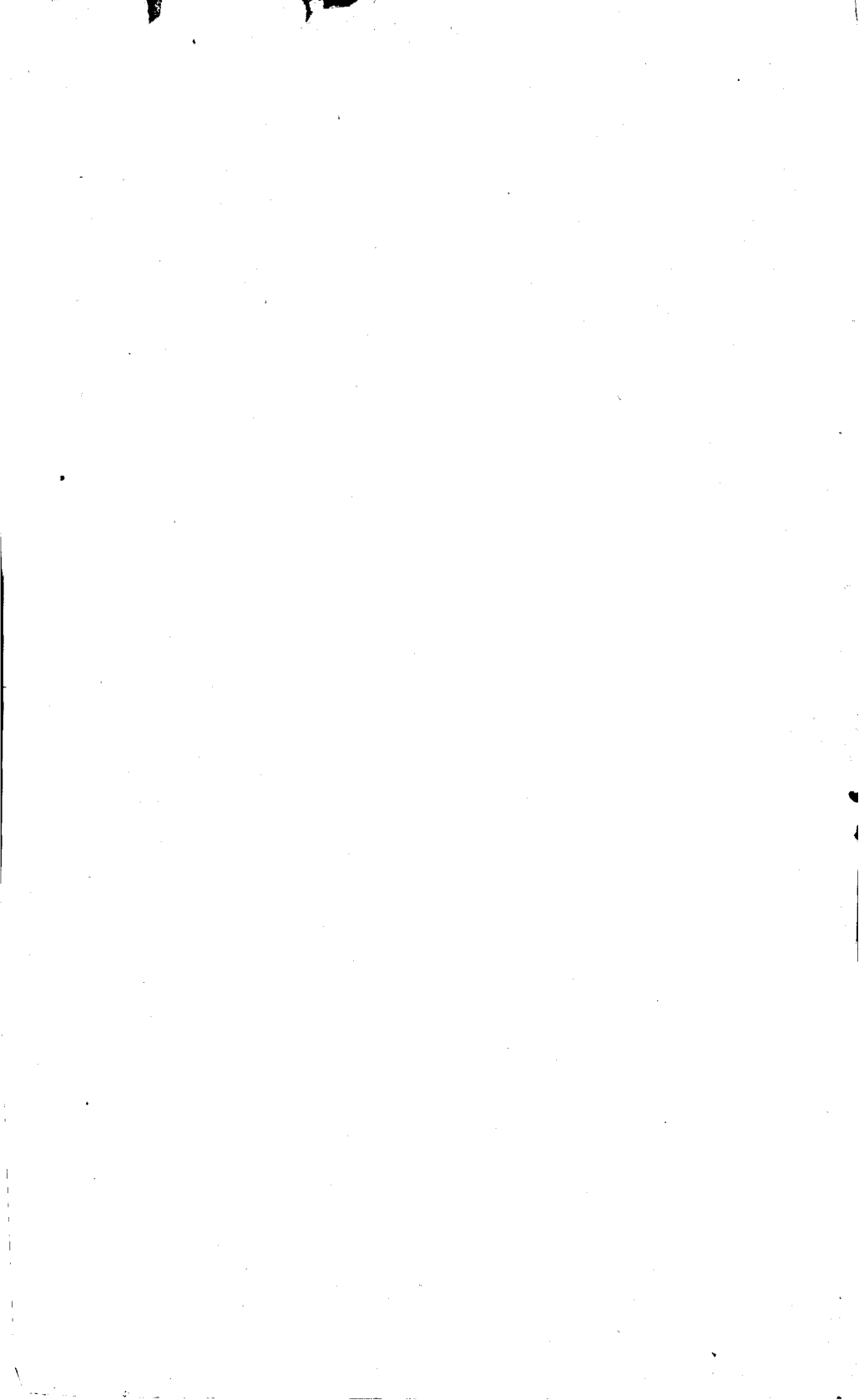
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THE Forty-Sixth Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful "THE GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA," commenced in the City of New Orleans, at the Grand Lodge Hall, on St. Charles street, on Monday, February 8, 1858, at half-past six o'clock, P. M.

It appearing that a constitutional number of Representatives from the Constituent Lodges were present, the Grand Lodge was opened by the M. W. Grand Master WM. M. PERKINS, in ample form, in the Third Degree.

### OFFICERS PRESENT:

WM. M. PERKINS.....	M. W. Grand Master.
AMOS ADAMS.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
A. S. WASHBURN.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
S. O. SCRUGGS.....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
REV. C. S. HEDGES.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
S. C. MICHELL.....	W. Grand Treasurer.
S. G. RISK .....	W. Grand Secretary.
JULIUS ARONI.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
A. GOLDMAN.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon, <i>pro tem.</i>
W. C. DRIVER.....	W. Grand Marshal.
H. REGENBURG.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer, <i>pro tem.</i>
G. W. JELKS.....	W. Grand Pursuivant,       "
H. M. CRENSHAW.....	W. Grand Steward.
J. C. BATCHELOR.....	"       " <i>pro tem.</i>
G. G. WILSON.....	"       "       "
SAM'L FISCHELL.....	"       "       "
JOS. CHELLET.....	W. Grand Tyler.

A Roll of the Lodges being called, the following were present, viz. Nos. p. v. 1, 3, 5, 19, 44, 45, 46, 50, 53, 54, 56, 58, 59, 61, 63, 65, 66, 68, 70, 72, 76, 77, 78, 79, 83, 84, 87, 96, 98, 100, 101, 102, 103, 109, 110, 111, 112, 116, 117, 119, 125, 127, 134, 135, 141, 142, 144, 145, 146, 147—in all, 50 Chartered Lodges.

And the following U. D.: Darlington, Cherry Ridge, Homer, and Eastern Star. Total—4.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced Bros. J. M. Bockius, B. F. Dillard and Thos. F. Hedges, as the Committee on Credentials.

The Grand Lodge was visited by the following distinguished Brethren, who were introduced by the Grand Marshal and received by the M. W. Grand Master with appropriate honors, viz:

J. W. S. MITCHELL, Past Grand Master of Missouri.

ROB MORRIS, Deputy Grand Master of Kentucky.

The following Grand Lodges were represented through their Grand Representatives :

NEW YORK.....by R. W. Bro. R. F. McGuire.

ALABAMA.....by “ “ Sam'l M. Todd.

VERMONT.....by “ “ J. Q. A. Fellows.

The Committee on Credentials then submitted the following Report, which was, on motion, adopted, except that portion relating to Polar Star Lodge No. 1, and Perseverance Lodge No. 4, which was, on motion, referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The undersigned, Committee on Credentials, beg leave to report, that they have performed their duty, and respectfully report the following named Brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge, as legal and constitutional Representatives and Delegates, namely :

- PERFECT UNION.....No. 1—D. Augustin, W. M.  
 A. Pitot, Jr., S. W. (A. Pike, proxy.)  
 O. DeBuys, J. W. (C. Laffon, proxy.)
- POLAR STAR.....No. 1—R. Brugier, W. M.  
 L. E. Deluzian, S. W.  
 H. Clostermann, J. W.
- CONCORDE.....No. 3—Chas. F. Heunisch, W. M.  
 R. Pietri, S. W. (P. H. Huard, proxy.)  
 P. A. Letourneur, J. W.
- PERSEVERANCE.....No. 4—M. A. Calongne, W. M.  
 F. W. C. St. Marc, S. W.  
 C. Calongne, J. W.
- LOS AMIGOS DEL ORDEN.No. 5—B. Carrillo, W. M. (J. H. Holland, proxy.)  
 Valerio Garcia, S. W.  
 Antonio Partegas, J. W.
- HUMBLE COTTAGE.....No. 19—P. L. Hebrard, W. M. (H. R. Swasey.)  
 John Macdonald, S. W.  
 A. M. Perrault, J. W.
- ST. ALBANS.....No. 28—G. W. Catlett, W. M.  
 G. W. A. Simpson, S. W.  
 E. S. Norwood, J. W.
- FELICIANA.....No. 31—L. D. Brewer, W. M.  
 Charles Hofman, S. W.  
 Samuel J. Powell, J. W.
- PHENIX.....No. 38—J. B. Smith, W. M.  
 C. Chaplin, S. W.  
 W. P. Morrow, J. W.
- FOYER MACONNIQUE....No. 44—Joseph Santini, W. M.  
 J. M. Stella, S. W. (A. Boulet, proxy.)  
 J. F. Fondard, J. W.
- JACKSON.....No. 45—A. Flournoy, W. M. (J. Pearce, proxy.)  
 W. A. Pegram, S. W. “ “  
 E. H. Baugh, J. W. “ “



- TUNICA ..... No. 63—W. T. Cox, W. M.  
Roland Day, S. W.  
J. J. Seeden, J. W.
- GEORGE WASHINGTON... No. 65—J. B. Scot, W. M.  
G. P. Evans, S. W.  
W. O. Bell, J. W.
- DUDLEY ..... No. 66—H. M. Crenshaw, W. M.  
T. D. Van Horn, S. W.  
S. J. Guillet, J. W.
- MARION ..... No. 68—J. Q. A. Fellows, W. M.  
T. F. Hedges, S. W.  
A. P. Beers, J. W.
- HIRAM ..... No. 70—S. P. Solomon, W. M.  
T. Carroll, S. W. (R. Malcomson, prox.)  
E. Wells, J. W.
- ALPHA ..... No. 72—J. M. Bockius, W. M.  
S. L. Bishop, S. W.  
G. B. Hayes, J. W.
- QUITMAN ..... No. 76—Seth R. Field, W. M.  
T. W. Peyton, S. W.  
C. P. Skinner, J. W.
- MOUNT MORIAH ..... No. 77—R. W. Troth, W. M.  
A. G. Carter, S. W.  
C. T. Sewell, J. W.
- ORLEANS ..... No. 78—S. P. Auchmuty, W. M.  
A. P. Dostie, S. W.  
J. A. Soellner, J. W.
- ST. JOSEPH ..... No. 79—S. B. Stampley, W. M. (J. Aroni, prox.)  
L. V. Reeves, S. W.  
V. W. Stampley, J. W.
- DE WITT CLINTON.... No. 80—S. L. Robertson, W. M.  
J. Newton, S. W.  
J. A. White, J. W.

- MOUNT VERNON.....No. 83—J. W. Martin, W. M. (R. B. Lawrence.)  
John Cuthbertson, S. W.  
J. W. White, J. W.
- OLIVER.....No. 84—Philip Meyers, W. M.  
Samuel Bernstein, S. W.  
John Clifton, J. W.
- LAFAYETTE.....No. 87—J. M. McCoy, W. M. (T. Wilcoxson.)  
J. M. Rawles, S. W.                   “  
R. N. Sojourner, J. W.               “
- CYPRESS.....No. 89—J. T. Turnley, W. M.  
W. M. Sentell, S. W.  
Samuel Miller, J. W.
- THIBODEAUX BENEV'T..No. 90—B. G. Thibodeaux, W. M.  
F. L. Mead, S. W. (N. H. Smith, prox.)  
C. C. Williams, J. W.
- BELLEVUE.....No. 95—A. A. Abney, W. M.  
Joseph L. Biggs, S. W.  
William S. Edwards, J. W.
- ST. HELENA.....No. 96—Wm. A. Carter, W. M.  
W. H. Sillery, S. W.  
J. J. Thompson, J. W.
- HERMITAGE.....No. 98—Daniel Wilson, W. M.  
Thomas Burdon, S. W.  
M. Small, J. W.
- HENDERSON.....No. 99—N. Davidson, W. M.  
M. Carnaham, S. W.  
J. W. Texada, J. W.
- FRANKLINTON.....No. 101—John Wadsworth, W. M.  
James S. Burris, S. W.  
H. T. Burkhalter, J. W.
- LOUISIANA.....No. 102—W. C. Driver, W. M.  
Aaron Harris, S. W.  
Louis Pidéret, J. W.

- CLOUTIERVILLE.....No. 103—S. O. Scruggs, W. M.  
E. Kile, S. W.  
J. C. Morantine, J. W.
- VIENNA.....No. 106—M. P. Quinn, W. M.  
John W. Calcote, S. W.  
Thomas T. Tanner, J. W.
- SPARTA.....No. 108—W. E. Paxton, W. M.  
J. C. McClary, S. W.  
W. S. Cockerham, J. W.
- CASTOR.....No. 109—W. L. De Graffenriedt, W. M.  
John Hampton, S. W.  
William T. Nettles, J. W.
- URIM.....No. 111—Thomas L. Simpson, W. M.  
Robert W. McClendon, S. W.  
A. W. Sheppard, J. W.
- BARTHOLOMEW.....No. 112—A. S. Washburn, W. M.  
R. J. Knox, S. W.  
R. P. Buncley, J. W.
- SIREVEPORT.....No. 115—George Williamson, W. M.  
John W. Jones, S. W.  
R. H. Lindsay, J. W.
- ACACIA.....No. 116—H. S. Browne, W. M.  
John Marcot, S. W.  
George Troxeter, J. W.
- MILFORD.....No. 117—Edw'd Coleman, W. M. (A. Adams.)  
James Delone, S. W.  
J. J. Freeman, J. W.
- CONSTANTINE.....No. 119—H. H. Drake, W. M. (S. Fischel, prox.)  
G. W. Weart, S. W.       “       “  
J. P. Womack, J.W.     “       “
- DEERFIELD.....No. 120—J. L. Stovall, W. M. (W. J. Taylor.)  
M. M. Munholland, S.W.     “  
L. M. Munholland, J.W.   “

- LISBON ..... No. 121—E. Sparks, W. M.  
W. D. Hester, S. W.  
T. H. Pennington, J. W.
- MACKEY ..... No. 122—J. D. Cawthon, W. M.  
J. C. Theus, S. W.  
T. S. Shehee, J. W.
- LIBERTY ..... No. 123—M. J. Birdsong, W. M.  
D. S. Wells, S. W.  
F. E. Wood, J. W.
- KELLERTOWN ..... No. 124—A. J. Norwood, W. M.  
Z. Freeman, S. W.  
C. S. Palmer, J. W.
- PEARL RIVER ..... No. 125—William C. Warren, W. M.  
Joseph M. Ford, S. W.  
Sam'l J. Warren, J. W.
- ARCADIA ..... No. 126—R. M. Searcy, W. M.  
Samuel Brown, S. W.  
William Givens, J. W.
- SPRINGHILL ..... No. 127—James Moore, W. M.  
P. R. Goldsby, S. W.  
E. E. Cammack, J. W.
- SOLOMON ..... No. 130—J. A. Richardson, W. M.  
Henry Goodrich, S. W.  
Thomas M. Evans, J. W.
- WARREN ..... No. 132—Joseph Pettitt, W. M.  
M. S. Osborne, S. W.  
L. S. Ward, J. W.
- GORDY ..... No. 133—John W. Pearce, W. M.  
L. A. Stafford, S. W.  
V. Gould, J. W.
- HARRY HILL ..... No. 134—Wm. McFee, W. M. (J. E. S. Hough.)  
S. G. Parsons, S. W.       "  
R. B. Briscoe, J. W.



- PLAINS.....No. 135—William Young, W. M.  
Joseph A. Nettles, S. W.  
James M. Loudon, J. W.
- JEFFERSONIAN .....No. 138—Thomas Primm, W. M.  
L. F. Scott, S. W.  
E. R. Best, J. W.
- HOUMA.....No. 139—Joseph Aycock, W. M.  
G. L. Jennings, S. W.  
A. G. Gagné, J. W.
- HOME .....No. 142—J. C. Batchelor, W. M.  
C. L. Hillger, S. W.  
R. W. Stanley, J. W.
- OCEAN.....No. 144—A. Goldman, W. M.  
H. Millspaugh, S. W.  
J. P. Warner, J. W.
- HOPE.....No. 145—M. E. Girard, W. M.  
C. H. Mouton, S. W.  
J. J. Caffery, J. W.
- SILENT BROTHERHOOD...No. 146—Samuel Clark, W. M.  
G. H. Wynn, S. W.  
F. L. Armistead, J. W.
- ANACOCO .....No. 147—R. W. Martin, W. M.  
M. West, S. W.  
R. W. Smart, J. W.
- DARLINGTON .....U. D.—Samuel Davis, Delegate.
- CHERRY RIDGE.....U. D.—C. W. Carr, Delegate.
- PERKINS.....U. D.—A. J. Powell, Delegate.
- EASTERN STAR.....U. D.—William Walker, Delegate.

All of which is respectfully submitted :

J. W. BOCKIUS,  
B. F. DILLARD,  
T. F. HEDGES,

*Committee on Credentials.*

The M. W. Grand Master then delivered the following Address, which was, on motion, referred to a Special Committee of Bros. J. Aroni, Henry Regenburg and H. R. Swasey.

BRETHREN OF THE GRAND LODGE: Another year having passed away, we meet at its close to review what has been done, to correct our errors, and to confer with each other in reference to future operations. May we be guided by that Wisdom which cannot err, and may all our labors at this most important Communication be acceptable to the Supreme Architect, beneficial and satisfactory to the Craft, and creditable to ourselves.

We have matters of grave import to dispose of, and in discussing and acting upon them, it is essential that, whilst we keep in active exercise that charity which should ever characterize Masons, especially in their controversies with each other, we shall also be firm. Let us proceed with coolness, deliberation, and caution, to seek the right path, and having determined this, let no consideration cause us to deviate from it, or to halt in our march.

Although made a part of my duty on this occasion to report to you the general condition of Masonry, I deem it unnecessary to say much on the subject. Even were you less familiar with Masonic periodicals, the report of your Standing Committee on Foreign Correspondence and Masonic information, now ready to be presented to you, would bring to your notice everything of importance going on in the Masonic world.

I may say, however, that Masonry continues to spread, and in our own country especially, do we know its increase to be rapid. Extended, as it is, throughout the land, it cannot fail to exercise considerable influence, and it behooves us to be faithful and constant in our efforts to give this influence a proper direction—to see that Masonry is made instrumental in promoting the welfare of society, and that this noble institution is not prostituted to unworthy ends. Candor compels us to admit that our strength has not been increased in proportion to our numbers, and that we annually introduce into the edifice material that ought to be rejected. In alluding once more to this hackneyed subject, I do not forget a reproof received a year or two since, when, in an official report before this Grand Lodge, we were told that it had been dwelt upon too much in Masonic

addresses and Masonic publications. But whilst I feel as I do, that there is just cause of alarm, and see daily new evidences of the injury to our beloved institution arising from carelessness (or something worse) in making Masons, I shall not cease to exercise my privilege of reminding and warning my brethren of the necessity of greater caution in introducing those for whose conduct all of us are more or less responsible, and by whose acts Masonry will in some measure be judged. To many of you it is wholly unnecessary to say a word on this subject. You have thought of it before, and duly appreciate its importance; but there are others each year coming in, more zealous and less experienced, to whom these remarks will not come amiss. *It is absolutely necessary that the attention of the Fraternity be frequently called to this subject.* "Line upon line, precept upon precept, here a little and there a little."

The Representative system has been adopted by several of our Grand Lodges, and it may be well for us, at this time, to determine the extent to which we shall engage in it. Thus far Louisiana has responded to the action of such of our sister Grand Lodges as have signified to us their wish thus to meet us. By your special resolution I commissioned our Brother M. W. Luke E. Barbour, Past G. M., as our Representative near the Grand Lodge of Arkansas. Subsequently I appointed R. W. Brother Dr. James M. Austin, of New York, our Representative near the Grand Lodge of that State, but limited the term of his appointment to the Masonic year in which it was made, that you might decide upon the propriety of continuing the system, and determine the manner in which appointments should be made, and their term of duration. Within the past year I have commissioned our Brother the Hon. Wm. P. Chilton, of Montgomery, Alabama, as Representative of Louisiana near his Grand Lodge. All these appointments have been recognized and approved by the Grand Masters of the respective jurisdictions.

In the meantime, I have had the pleasure of bidding welcome the following Brethren, as Representatives of other Grand Lodges near this Grand Lodge:

R. W. THOMAS H. LEWIS,	Representative of	Arkansas.
R. W. R. F. MCGUIRE,	"	" New York.
R. W. SAM'L M. TODD,	"	" Alabama.
W. J. Q. A. Fellowes,	"	" Vermont.

And I now request that they be received and respected as such by the

Brethren and Lodges of this jurisdiction. (The appointment from Vermont not having been made known until the eve of this Communication, has not as yet been responded to.)

As to the policy of Grand Lodge representation, I am free to confess that at first I thought it a matter of much less importance than it now seems to me. I am now decidedly in favor of having near each Grand Lodge with which we are in correspondence, a well-known Brother, through whom, if necessary, we may communicate our views and wishes, and to whom we may look as our advocate and defender should occasion arise in their respective jurisdictions requiring explanation or defense on our part.

In Canada some difficulty as to organization still exists. The merits of the controversy will be fully submitted by your Committee on Foreign Correspondence. At your last Annual Communication you postponed action in reference to the claims of the Grand Lodge of Canada, established in 1855. I now call your attention to it for the purpose of eliciting an expression of opinion, that our relations with that body may be understood. My own views of the subject were expressed two years ago, at the close of the report on Foreign Correspondence.

We come now to consider the state of affairs at home.

The Constitution requires me to report to you all my official acts during the recess; and, as the simplest method of doing so, I refer you to the Letter-Book, in which all my official correspondence has been copied, and to the Report of our Brother, the Grand Secretary, who will set forth all the ordinary business transacted—the Appeals and Grievances submitted—the financial position of the several Lodges with the Grand Lodge, and the regularity of their Returns. I propose now to speak only of such matters as seem to require your special attention and action, at this Annual Communication.

Within the past year, the following Lodges have filed official notice of their *withdrawal* from this Grand Lodge, though none of them have returned their Charters:

ST. ANDREW, (late Disciples of the Masonic Senate,) No. 5;

PERSEVERANCE, No. 4;

POLAR STAR, No. 1.

The first of these took the step in March last; the second, within the last month, and the third, within a few days past. Their financial settle-

ments, the Grand Secretary will report; but my impression is, that ST. ANDREW is the only one which has not paid its dues and made its Returns.

It is proper here to note that several members of POLAR STAR, No. 1, (eight or ten, I believe,) have made and recorded their protest against the action of the majority, and avowing their determination to adhere to the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, pray to be recognized as constituting the Lodge. What I am now about to say, has, therefore, no reference to them.

Had the members of these seceding Lodges simply surrendered their Charters and abandoned their Lodge organization — otherwise preserving their good standing as individual members of the Order — it would only be necessary to report and record the facts; but when these Lodges not only omit, but positively refuse, to surrender their Charters, emanating from this Grand Lodge — and when the members re-organize and claim existence as Masonic Lodges in this State, independent of this Grand Lodge, and in opposition to it — we can no longer countenance them as regular Masons, nor hold intercourse with them as such. It becomes our duty to ascertain, by regular proceedings, who are thus chargeable, and to notify and warn our Brethren of other jurisdictions, that they, too, may avoid and discountenance those who so plainly violate solemn engagements, well understood by all regular Master Masons.

Our records, and the recollection of those of you who have been regular in your attendance on our Grand Lodge Communications during the time, will bear me out in the assertion, that since the re-organization of the Grand Lodge under the present Constitution, adopted in 1850, neither of the Lodges named have been denied any request made to the Grand Lodge; that no measure proposed by them has ever been defeated, and that no complaint has ever been made by them at any time against any action of the Grand Lodge. Most of you, however, understand very well the true cause of this disaffection, and of that which led to a somewhat similar movement a year ago on the part of certain members of the Lodge FOYER MACONNIQUE, No. 44, one of whom, supported by a large number, fearing that the Master would surrender it to the Grand Lodge, took, in the Lodge room, forcible possession of the Charter, which is still illegally withheld, and doubtless exhibited from night to night to satisfy visitors that the Assembly in possession of it is a regular Masonic Lodge, though in fact composed chiefly of expelled Masons. Ever since the adjustment

of difficulties existing in this State, when our present Constitution was subscribed to by *all* the Lodges in Louisiana, including those now under consideration, certain notorious individuals, few in number, have been constant in their efforts to produce discord and destroy the harmony prevailing in this jurisdiction: Claiming existence as a Supreme Council of the thirty-third and last degree of the Ancient and Accepted Rite, now familiarly known as the Scottish Rite, though repudiated by the governing authorities of that rite in the United States, and not recognized by any organization whatever out of New Orleans, so far as I am informed, they are attempting to establish Lodges of Symbolic Masonry here. They commenced with the expelled members of FOYER MACONNIQUE LODGE, No. 44, and secured the co-operation and assistance of deserters from our ranks, perhaps. I ought to call them, as I might with greater propriety, traitors in our camp, in as much as, whilst members of our regular Lodges, mixing in our assemblies, and participating in our labors, they were secretly assisting in the organization of Lodges in direct conflict with our Constitution and a general Masonic regulation well understood.

In order to give the seceding Lodges the full benefit of their logic and arguments, and to enable you and all others interested in our affairs, to decide upon their merits, I now submit the official communications received from these Lodges announcing their withdrawal:

PREAMBLE AND RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE ST. ANDREW LODGE, NO. 5.

The Free and Accepted Masons, members of ST. ANDREW LODGE, No. 5, have read with great attention the proceedings of the Most W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, at the 45th Annual Communication, held at New Orleans, February 9th, 1857, and adopted unanimously the following Preamble and Resolutions:

WHEREAS, The said Grand Lodge intends to arrogate to itself the right to make all laws and regulations necessary for the government of the Lodges and Brethren under its jurisdiction, and thereby would make attempts to infringe upon the independence of said Lodges without any benefit to the true principles of Freemasonry.

AND WHEREAS, By forcing the said Lodges to work uniformly and correctly, the Grand Lodge intends to protect and propagate its own Rite to the exclusion of all other Rites, and especially of the Scotch Rite, thereby imitating the systematic intolerance of those who suffer no other faith than their own.

AND WHEREAS, In case of forfeiture of the said Subordinate Lodges, the Grand Lodge would claim the right to seize, not only the Books and Jewels, but also the

Implements and Property of said Lodges, and appropriate the same to itself without giving any equivalent.

AND WHEREAS, All those measures, although they are not yet officially adopted by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, are nevertheless considered as just as necessary by the great majority of its members, as it may be seen by its proceedings of last Annual Communication.

AND WHEREAS, The members of ST. ANDREW LODGE do not wish to remain in any equivocal situation,

It was resolved by the ST. ANDREW LODGE, No. 5, at a meeting of the same held on the 21st of March, 1857, and to which had been called, by a special letter, all the members of that Lodge:

1. That it is inconsistent with the honor and interest of ST. ANDREW LODGE, No. 5, to recognize principles so arbitrary, and, in fact, anti-Masonic.

2. This Lodge regrets being compelled to withdraw itself from the jurisdiction of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, and withdraws itself from jurisdiction of the same.

3. That the Treasurer of ST. ANDREW LODGE, No. 5, be hereby authorized to settle, finally and definitively, all accounts with the Grand Lodge.

4. That the Secretary of ST. ANDREW LODGE, No. 5, be hereby requested to send a true copy, in French and English, of this above Preamble and these Resolutions to the Grand Lodge, and to all Masonic Lodges of Louisiana, respectfully inviting all Free-Masonry remaining under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge to continue to ST. ANDREW LODGE, No. 5, the same friendly and fraternal feelings heretofore existing.

A true copy of the proceedings.

A. FOLLENFANT, *Secretary.*

NEW ORLEANS, March 21, 1857.

*To the G. . . S. . . of T. . . M. . . W. . . Grand Lodge:*

I have the honor to address you the following Preamble and Resolutions, which have been adopted by the W. . . ST. ANDREW LODGE, No. 5, the 5th June, 1857.

The Free and Accepted Masons, members of ST. ANDREW LODGE, No. 5, have unanimously adopted the following Preamble and Resolutions:

WHEREAS, In withdrawing themselves from the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, they did not intend to avoid all Masonic authority whatever, but rather to place themselves under a proper and orthodox jurisdiction.

AND WHEREAS, The M. . . W. . . ST. ANDREW LODGE acknowledges that she has not already paid her dues to the Grand Lodge for the Masonic year 1856, it was resolved,

1. That the sum of \$203, total due for the Masonic year 1857, be hereby placed to the order and disposal of the Grand Lodge, at the office of the Treasurer

of ST. ANDREW LODGE, No. 5. But this sum shall be delivered only on presentation of a receipt bearing these words: *for final account.*

2. That the W. . ST. ANDREW LODGE, No. 5, places itself under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Council of 33d Degree in and for the Independent State of Louisiana.

3. That the Secretary of ST. ANDREW LODGE, No. 5, be hereby requested to send a true copy, in French and English, of this above Preamble and these Resolutions to the Grand Lodge and to the Supreme Council.

Brotherly,

A. FOLLENTANT, *Secretary.*

East of New Orleans, Feb. 5, 1858.

*To the Most Illustrious Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

MOST ILLUSTRIOUS BRETHREN,—I am charged to announce to you, officially, the following Resolutions, passed at an extraordinary meeting, of the 4th of February, instant, to which all the members had been convened by a special convocation.

The Members of Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, considering—

1. That for the purpose of attaining an end desirable and necessary for their common tranquillity, and the welfare of the Lodge, they are obliged to take, immediately, some energetic and exceptional measures.

2. That it is the wish of the majority to cause to disappear every element of discord which has, during the year 1857, impeded the prosperity of the Lodge.

3. That the continued encroachments of the Grand Lodge, give reason to fear that in order to render the Work of all the Lodges placed under its jurisdiction uniform and correct, according to her view, she will end by suppressing the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite.

4. That POLAR STAR, No 1, has always worked the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, and desires to continue to work it.

It is Resolved—

1. That the respectable Lodge POLAR STAR, No. 1, withdraws, although with regret, from the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana.

2. The Treasurer of the respectable Lodge is invited to make a definite settlement with the Grand Lodge.

3. The Secretary of the respectable Lodge is invited to communicate the present Resolutions, officially, to the M. . Ill. . Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana.

I have the favor to salute you by the Masonic numbers and signs to you known.

By order of the respectable Lodge,

(Signed)

L. GLOECKNER, *Secretary.*

A correct Translation, March 6, 1858.

J. H. HOLLAND,

*Translator of the M. W. Grand Lodge.*



PERSEVERANCE LODGE simply announced its withdrawal, without giving any reasons. It will be seen, from the declarations of the other two, that they deny the powers of the Grand Lodge, as set forth in our Constitution, which they have at least twice *speciallly pledged themselves* to "abide by," and which I will now read in this connection :

"ARTICLE IV.—OF THE POWER OF THE GRAND LODGE.

"SECTION 1. It shall have the exclusive right to constitute Lodges of Symbolic Masonry within this State.

"It may make all Laws and Regulations necessary for the government of the Lodges and Brethren under its jurisdiction, and for the propagation and advancement of the true principles of Free-Masonry, and legislate generally upon all Masonic subjects.

"It shall ascertain and propagate the true ceremonial and instruction in the work of Masonry, and enforce their practice.

"And it shall have full power to do all other acts and things that it is usual and customary for Grand Lodges to do and perform: *Provided, always,* That the Ancient Landmarks of the Order be carefully preserved, and that its Acts, Laws, Resolutions, and Edicts, be not subversive of any of the true principles of Free-Masonry, nor depart from its original plan, or be inconsistent with this Constitution."

It is customary, and it is necessary, for Grand Lodges to exercise such powers, and when we abandon this position, let us dissolve the Grand Lodge. There can be no such thing as divided sovereignty: the idea is absurd.

Some few years since, you reprimanded, and by refusal to continue the existence of the Lodge, checked a Master and his associates, who admitted boys of eighteen to initiation, and also initiated, passed and raised a man (otherwise worthy, I must admit) who had lost both of his legs—the acting Master *permitting the Lodge to overrule* his decision and to force him into a second violation of this kind after special prohibition of the Grand Master. This act on your part is doubtless one of the "encroachments" referred to. And in order to do just such work as this, and to do other things which you will not countenance, \* \* \* \* \* certain parties now seek to free themselves from your restraint and while they withhold and keep for their own uses, the pieces of parchment purporting to be your authority for their existence as Lodges, they would have the world believe them regular Free-masons, independent of the Grand Lodge of the State in which they reside.

Much has been said in all our Annual Communications for years past, about preserving peace and harmony, and often have we been urged to "pour oil upon the waters." We have even attempted to mix oil and water, but they have not mixed, nor will they ever. I have been as anxious to preserve peace and harmony as any Mason in Louisiana, and so solicitous have I been to do so, that I have left undone much that ought to have been done, in the hope that time would correct what seemed to require active discipline. I still think it our duty, in view of the peculiar state of things in Louisiana, and in justice to the feelings of old and well disposed Brethren, to make due allowances for differences in language, habits, education and national peculiarities; and when this Grand Lodge is approached in a becoming manner by any Brother who can satisfy us that his intentions are good, and that he is a true and faithful Mason, I will go as far as any of us ought to go, or can go without violation of principle, to make it agreeable for him to remain with us. But under no circumstances will I recognize as a regular Mason, any one belonging to, or giving countenance to a Lodge in this State claiming to be Masonic which is not recognized by the Grand Lodge. Without dwelling longer on this subject, I respectfully submit for your consideration the following suggestions:

1. To revoke and annul the Charters of such Lodges as renounce their allegiance to this Grand Lodge, or refuse to conform to its edicts and our Constitution.

2. To bring to trial every Mason in our jurisdiction assisting in the formation of, or visiting, or otherwise giving countenance to Lodges in the State of Louisiana, claiming to be Masonic, but independent of this Grand Lodge, or in opposition to it; and upon conviction, to inflict due Masonic punishment—and especially to exclude from the rights and privileges of Masonry those who shall be found to have been leaders in the attempt to destroy the peace and harmony of the Craft in this State. Let every step, be taken with care, that no mistake as to any individual be made, and when the work is done, let it be well done. Let the line of separation be distinct and plain.

The minority members of POLAR STAR LODGE, No. 1, should be protected in their rights so far as the Grand Lodge can aid them, and members of either of the other seceding Lodges, desiring to adhere to the Grand Lodge and to be governed by its regulations, should find a door open for them.

I now submit a memorial, just handed me, by the minority of POLAR STAR LODGE, asking to be recognized as composing that Lodge and entitled to its charter and privileges. I trust that you will give the matter immediate attention.

Under a special resolution adopted at our last Annual Communication MARION LODGE proceeded to the trial of certain members of the LODGE FOYER MACONNIQUE, No. 44, which resulted in the expulsion of some and a reprimand of others. The published report of the Grand Secretary gives the names of those expelled. It may not be amiss that you should, through a Committee or otherwise, review the proceedings had in this case.

The Grand Lodge last year ordered a special Charter or Warrant to be issued to Brother Joseph Santini, and others, of FOYER MACONNIQUE LODGE, recognized as in good standing and entitled to the old Charter, which was forcibly and illegally withheld. Acting under this special or duplicate Charter, the Brethren re-organized the Lodge, and proceeded to their regular business, the officers having been duly installed by a proxy of the Grand Master. At the same communication you also directed me to take the necessary steps to place the regular members of this Lodge in possession of their property. To carry out this resolution, I have placed the matter in the hands of Messrs. Benjamin, Bradford & Finney, and Brother J. Q. A. Fellowes, attorneys at law, who will, if requested, make a report to the Grand Lodge as to the position and prospects of the case.

In July last, my attention was called to notices in the daily papers, published as Masonic and embellished with Masonic emblems, stating that EMANUEL LODGE, working in English, held its meetings on certain nights in the Odd Fellows' Hall, Lafayette Square, as well as to the fact that certain Charters issued by this Grand Lodge, were in possession of parties who had no right to hold them, I caused the following circular to be issued :

THE GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA, F. AND A. MASONS.

GRAND MASTER'S OFFICE, NEW ORLEANS, July 29, 1857.

*To all Regular Masons, and all others whom it may concern :*

It is deemed necessary to warn the Fraternity, and those seeking alliance with it, against clandestine bodies meeting in New Orleans, and claiming to be Masonic Lodges, and with this view, attention is invited to the following points :

1. No Lodge in this State is regular which does not possess a Charter from this Grand Lodge.

2. The Charter of FOYER MACONNIQUE LODGE, No. 44, is illegally and forcibly detained by parties having no right to it. The only regular body of that name is that of which Brother Joseph Santini is Worshipful Master for the present year, a duplicate Charter having been issued to him and his associates by special resolution of the Grand Lodge.

3. The LODGE ST. ANDREW, No. 5, formerly Disciples of the Masonic Senate, having disclaimed further connection with this Grand Lodge, still retains the Charter, which should have been surrendered, and which is of course to be disregarded as an authority for meeting as a Lodge.

4. The only regular Lodge meeting in Odd Fellows' Hall, (corner of Camp and Lafayette streets,) New Orleans, is MOUNT MORIAH, No. 59, of which Walter Nicol is the present Worshipful Master.

5. No other Lodges in this State than those under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, and recognized by it as regular, are recognized elsewhere, and those who hold Masonic intercourse with any irregular or clandestine Lodge or Mason, will not only be deprived of the right of visit, but subjected to the usual penalty for violation of a sacred engagement.

Masters of Lodges are directed to cause this Circular to be read in their respective Lodges at the first meeting after its reception, and Lodges in New Orleans to have it posted in the Tyler's Hall, or some other suitable place outside the Lodge Room, but within the building.

It having been frequently represented to me that J. J. E. Massicott, a member of OCEAN LODGE, had been active in organizing the Lodge called FOYER MACONNIQUE, No. 4, composed chiefly of those who had been censured and expelled for unmasonic conduct in FOYER MACONNIQUE LODGE, No. 44, and that he had otherwise been active in producing discord and disaffection towards the Grand Lodge, although a member of one of its constituent Lodges, I addressed a communication to his Lodge, directing them to investigate these charges, and to take necessary action in the premises. The result of their action is before you, on the files of the Grand Secretary, which, with the correspondence on this subject, I trust you will cause to be examined.

HARRY HILL LODGE, No. 134, having lost its Charter, a Special Dispensation was granted, authorizing the continuance of their work until the meeting of the Grand Lodge. The Dispensation has just been returned, the Charter having recently been found. In view of the importance we attach to these Charters, and of the danger of trouble, if not of injury, should they be held and preserved by unworthy men, I have taken every opportunity to remind Masters of their engagements "carefully to

preserve and faithfully to transmit to their successors in office" these bits of parchment.

IBERVILLE LODGE, No. 81, having forfeited its Charter, by neglecting to hold its meetings and make returns, several Brethren manifested a desire to revive it, and, on their application, a Dispensation to work until this Annual Communication was granted; but it seems that nothing has yet been done, and the Dispensation has been returned.

NAPOLEON LODGE, No. 94, has been a subject of attention for the last two years. You will probably be called on during this session to revive the Lodge; but before doing so, will, of course, have a full discussion of the merits of the applicants. I think it is due to Brother Ford, late Master, that your Committee examine his letters in connection with our former proceedings. This Grand Lodge is under further obligations to Worshipful Brother Geo. W. Jelks, for services in connection with the affairs of this Lodge, situated at a great distance from his own. I have just learned from him that the Charter and books of Napoleon Lodge have been procured by him and to-day deposited with the Grand Secretary.

ACACIA LODGE, No. 116, complains of the Grand Master for receiving the recommendations of Quitman Lodge, of New Orleans, to the application for a Lodge at Donaldsonville. It may be well enough for you to express an opinion on the abstract question as to the expression in our Constitution, which says that such petitions must be recommended by the Lodge most convenient to the residence of the petitioners; but the only remedy you can apply in this particular case is to refuse to charter the Lodge at Donaldsonville, if you are convinced its establishment conflicts with the interests of Masonry or the rights of Acacia Lodge. I can say, for myself, that no disrespect or want of fraternal regard for the members of Acacia Lodge is justly chargeable to me, nor to the petitioners, as I believe. I was convinced that a Lodge in New Orleans was "more convenient" to Donaldsonville; and although had I anticipated any complaint from Acacia Lodge, I should have waited to hear it, I think my action was fully justified by the language of our Constitution.

Among the Dispensations granted for opening new Lodges, will be found one for a Lodge at Homer, in the Parish of Claiborne, called HOMER. As there was already a Lodge at Homer, (TAYLOR, No. 100,) I at first declined issuing this Dispensation, but subsequently granted it, after ascertaining more fully the condition of TAYLOR LODGE. My acknowledgements and

those of the Grand Lodge, are due to our worshipful Brother Charles Chaffe, who, acting as my special proxy, investigated the affairs of this Lodge, and furnished the statement which will be submitted to the examination of the proper Committee during this Communication. I deem it unnecessary to make special mention of the unfortunate difficulties, which seem to have destroyed the usefulness of this Lodge, as you will doubtless find it necessary to examine the correspondence before taking the necessary action in the case.

HUMBLE COTTAGE LODGE, No. 19, submits for your consideration a question, as to the position of a Brother, who having been regularly initiated and passed, proceeded to take the third degree, but after having gone through the first section refused to return to the Lodge room. They ask whether he must be treated as a Master or not. I should have no hesitation in answering this question if addressed to me. He certainly has not been regularly raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason. The course to be pursued with him in future depends upon the circumstances which led to this singular proceeding on his part. Evidently, somebody is at fault.

Some of our Lodges and Brethren, do not appear to understand the difference between *suspending for non-payment of dues* and *dropping from the roll* for same cause. I submitted my views on this subject a year ago, or at the previous Communication, but it seems necessary to refer to it again. I held that no Mason can be suspended from the privileges of Masonry except upon conviction after trial, and that striking his name from the roll of members of the Lodge under a by-law, does not affect a brother's standing in the fraternity, nor debar him from any of the privileges of Masonry, except that of *membership* in the particular Lodge.

The Report of the Board of Directors of the Grand Lodge Masonic Hall will be submitted to you at an early period of the session. So many financial transactions are made on the eve of our opening, and during the first two days of the session, that it is impossible for the Board to get in possession of the data necessary for the preparation of their report. As yet I am in some doubt as to our position, and ability to meet our obligations maturing on the first of March, some twelve thousand dollars. Having thus far met all our engagements to the hour, I trust that we shall find the means to face the debt now so nearly due. If the arrears of the Lodges be paid up, we shall have an amount more than sufficient for this purpose; but we must not rely too confidently on prompt payments at any

time, certainly not in a season like this. The debt now maturing is divided into four notes, of three thousand dollars each. I suggest that you authorize the Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, or Grand Master, to do whatever may be necessary to get an extension of time on one or two of these notes should it be found necessary.\* It affords me pleasure to say that we no longer hear complaints against the slight contribution demanded of our Lodges for the gradual liquidation of this debt, and I trust that the Brethren are now generally satisfied that the policy adopted was a good one, and that the object is worthy of their confidence and support.

LOUISIANA RELIEF LODGE, No. 1, continues the quiet and steady course heretofore pursued, and although less than half the Lodges in the city contribute to it, this body is enabled to distribute a considerable sum for the relief of the distressed, and the burial of sojourning Brethren, who fall among us. Their operations and sources of income are plainly set forth in their Semi-Annual Reports, and either these or a Special Report to the Grand Lodge will be submitted to you during the session. I trust that the Grand Lodge will continue to give countenance and encouragement to this truly Masonic organization.

I shall probably find it necessary, from time to time during this Communication, to bring to your notice other subjects requiring attention, which do not now occur to me. For the present, I will detain you only to repeat the expression of my sincere thanks for your continued kindness and charitable judgment of my acts, and for the cordial support you have ever given to my suggestions during the four years I have had the honor to occupy this chair. In selecting my successor, I trust you will choose a Brother better suited to this position, with greater talents and more time to devote to your service. May the future course of this Grand Lodge ever be "onward and upward, and true to the line."

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\* I am happy to state that the four notes due 1—4 March, 1858, were fully and promptly met, without borrowing one dollar, which is truly creditable to the Fraternity of our State. On the 1—4 March, 1859, our last mortgage notes fall due, amounting to \$12,485, and which I hope the Officers of our Lodges will bear in mind, and be prepared to pay up their full indebtedness at our next Annual Communication, and thus cancel all our mortgage obligations.—GRAND SECRETARY.

The W. Grand Treasurer then submitted the following Report, which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Audit and Accounts :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

BRETHREN : Again, by the will of Divine Providence, I am able to submit to you and your Committee on Audits and Accounts, for inspection, my Financial Report, together with Vouchers, for the past year.

STEPHEN C. MICHELL, GRAND TREASURER,

*In Account with Grand Lodge of Louisiana.*

1857.	DR.
Feb. 9—To Balance on hand as approved by Committee on Audits and Accounts, at close of last Annual Communication.....	\$4,106 30
Received from Grand Secretary at various times from February 19, 1857, to February 2, 1858, as per my receipts to him.....	12,851 95
	<hr/> \$16,958 25
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By amounts disbursed at various times from February 14, 1857, to January 30, 1858, as per vouchers or warrants numbering from 1 to 38, herewith, for account Grand Lodge.....	\$3,838 93
Disbursements at various times from February 13, 1857, to January 30, 1858, as per vouchers herewith, for account of Grand Lodge Hall.....	9,796 08
Jan. 30—Balance on hand this day in Louisiana State Bank to credit of Grand Lodge of Louisiana.	3,323 24
	<hr/> \$16,958 25

In payments made as above for account of Grand Lodge Hall, we have paid during the past recess of Grand Lodge, premiums of insurance for two years, (1857 and 1858,) amount, \$809 73 ; also repairing, contracted last season, and paid since close of last Annual Communication

In my report of last year, I was gratified to announce to you then the flourishing condition of our finances. Not so this year. The figures above look gloomy enough to all who cherish the honor and character for promptness of Masonry in Louisiana. Our payments, on the 4th of next



month, are \$12,000; to pay which we have as above, \$3,324 24; collected since the accounts were made up and in the hands of the Grand Secretary, about \$4,000, leaving a deficit of about \$5,000 to be raised *some way* in less than thirty days.

You are no doubt all aware of the difficulty in negotiating a loan or raising money in any shape upon incorporated property. Consequently other influences and means must be brought to bear to save our credit, by paying our notes promptly as they mature. Should we be successful in paying notes in March next, our then only liability will be a series of notes falling due March 4, 1859, (amount \$12,485 03,) with exception of balances due Lodges, which can be arranged at convenience. When these two payments are made, the Grand Lodge will be in possession of property worth, at lowest estimate, \$60,000.

With respect, I remain yours, Fraternally,

STEPHEN C. MICHELL,

*Grand Treasurer.*

New Orleans, Feb. 8, 1858.

The W. Grand Secretary then read the following Report, which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Audit and Accounts :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

BRETHREN: Another year has passed into oblivion, and again it becomes my duty to submit for your consideration, the official transactions of my office during that period.

As soon after your adjournment, as the copy could be prepared, I had printed 1500 copies of the Proceedings of your last Annual Communication, and regularly distributed, so far as in my power. In my monthly circulars to the various Lodges of our own jurisdiction, I requested positive instructions, as to the best means of transmitting their quota of the same, and in accordance with said advices, promptly forwarded them. Many, however, have made no request as to how I could transmit them safely, and their copies still remain in my office. The fault, therefore, of their non-reception by any Lodge in our own State, must rest with themselves.

In accordance with the Resolutions passed at your last Session, I have furnished certificates to the members of those Lodges whose Charters had

been forfeited or surrendered, so far as I had any data upon which to base their entitlement to one of good standing.

I have also written to the last returned officers of all such Lodges for the books and papers relating thereto, but in no instance have I yet received them, except that of Napoleon, received to-day. Brother M. Boatner, the last M. W. of EDNA LODGE, No. 64, as before reported, sent me a list of his members in 1855, and his Charter, but no books. The W. M. of LE VRAIS AMIS, No. 93, has since died, and his son, who is not a Mason, has returned me the Charter, but nothing else appertaining to the Lodge.

From PLEASANT HILL LODGE, No. 86, I have had no reply, but there is a letter from Brother J. B. Moore, the *last Secretary* of that Lodge, asking for a certificate of good standing, but furnishing nothing by which his Masonic standing, or that of any other member of his Lodge can be by me determined.

I sincerely hope the Grand Lodge will take some positive and definite action in these cases at this Session, and not suffer such bad examples to remain unpunished.

IBERVILLE LODGE, No. 81, in a petition to the M. W. Grand Master, received from him a Special Dispensation to continue their labors until this Communication, at which time they promised a report. No returns or report has yet been received by me, and from the best information I have been able to obtain, the members have failed to perform their duties, under the indulgence granted them by the M. W. Grand Master, after the forfeiture of their Charter, and particularly the W. M., to whom was entrusted the responsibility of restoring the Lodge to its former honorable position.

LIVONIA LODGE, No. 91, has surrendered her Charter; and on the 2d of August last, I received from her Secretary, in good order, her books, papers, etc., and a full statement of the indebtedness of each of her members. She, however, made no returns, and paid no dues.

JOPPA LODGE, No. 74, surrendered her Charter last July, and, by a letter from the W. M., I am informed, was immediately transmitted, together with her books, etc., on the steamer Col. Edwards, but with her were destroyed by fire, on Red River. The causes of her forfeiture are fully detailed in the W. M.'s letter, and will be reported to you by the appropriate committee.

I would call the special attention of the appropriate committee to the papers and affairs of the last named three Lodges.

BELLEVUE LODGE, No. 95, has made her returns and paid full dues for the year 1857, and surrendered her Charter, for reasons stated in her communication, which will be detailed to you by the appropriate committee.

POLAR STAR LODGE, No. 1, AND PERSEVERANCE LODGE, No. 4, have made their returns up to your present Communication, and paid their dues. They have also filed in my office communications purporting to be official, stating that they have withdrawn from your jurisdiction. These documents are in the possession of our M. W. Grand Master, who has detailed them to you.

ST. ANDREW LODGE, No. 5. This Lodge made no returns at your last Annual Communication, nor paid any dues. In the latter end of March last, they filed in my office a preamble and set of resolutions, withdrawing from your jurisdiction, which are in the hands of the Grand Master. By one of these resolutions, they authorize their Treasurer to pay all their indebtedness to the Grand Lodge. Not knowing their Treasurer, I called on their W. M., and demanded their indebtedness, which he said would be paid, but which has never yet been done.

DE SOTO LODGE, No. 55, has made her returns for the missing year, and paid in part her large arrears, and asks further time to pay the balance in.

TAYLOR LODGE, No. 100, has addressed a long letter, through her W. M., in regard to her defalcation, which will be laid before the proper committee.

Immediately after the close of your last Communication, Charters were issued to *Ocean*, No. 144; *Hope*, No. 145; *Silent Brotherhood*, No. 146; *Anacoco*, No. 147; and *Red Land*, No. 148; together with full and proper authorizations for their constitution and consecration; returns of the faithful performance of which important trust have been received in every case, except that of *Silent Brotherhood*.

FOYER MACONNIQUE LODGE, No. 44, also received from the M. W. Grand Master, a Charter, to resume her labors legitimately, which he will explain to you. The papers in trial of the revolting members of this Lodge, as ordered by you in Marion Lodge, No. 68, are filed in my office, and will be placed before the appropriate committee.

The Dispensations of ADAISE and DARLINGTON Lodges were certified as extended, by your resolution, until this Annual Communication.

ADAISE LODGE, on December 29, 1857, returned her Dispensation, having found it impossible to meet and organize.

SWAN LAKE LODGE, which received a Dispensation May 14, 1856, but failed to make any returns at your last session, has, since your adjournment, forwarded her Dispensation and proceedings, but no returns or dues.

A Dispensation was issued on November 17, 1856, for a new Lodge at Napoleonville, called LAFOURCHE, but from causes stated in a communication from the Master therein named, said Lodge never convened. The Dispensation was sent to THIBODEAUX BENEVOLENT LODGE, No. 90, but has never been used. I have written to said Lodge for it.

Since the closing of your last Annual Communication the following Dispensations have been issued for the establishment of new Lodges, namely:

FILLMORE LODGE, located at Fillmore, Bossier Parish, La.

GROSSE TETE LODGE, located at Bayou Grosse Tete, La.

CHERRY RIDGE LODGE, located at Cherry Ridge, Union Parish, La.

RAPIDES LODGE, located at Rapides, Rapides Parish, La.

PERKINS LODGE, located at Donaldsonville, Ascension Parish, La.

EASTERN STAR LODGE, located at Winnfield, Winn Parish, La.

HOMER LODGE, located at Homer, Claiborne Parish, La.

MORGANZA LODGE, located at Morganza, Point Coupé Parish, La.

SAINTS JOHN LODGE, located at Algiers, Parish of Orleans, La.

I also lay before you a petition for a Dispensation for a new Lodge, to be called LIVINGSTON, and located at Springfield, Livingston Parish, duly recommended by St. Helena Lodge, No. 96.

Also, a request to renew the Dispensation of BROOKVILLE LODGE, returned in 1854.

LOUISIANA RELIEF LODGE, No. 1, has made a full return, and a lengthy report on the subject of its affairs, which precludes the necessity of my noticing it fully. I cannot, however, refrain from calling your attention to the true Masonic spirit evinced by Kellertown Lodge, No. 124, towards the Relief Lodge, who, through their W. M., Abel J. Norwood, presented them with \$25, as a simple appreciation of its worth. What a comment upon those Lodges in our own city who do not contribute to its support!

In accordance with the requirements of the Constitution, and as soon after your adjournment as they could be printed, I transmitted to the Subordinate Chartered Lodges of this jurisdiction, the amendments offered at your last Communication, for their *rejection* or *adoption*.

I regret to say, however, that many of the Lodges have failed entirely to transmit to me any action had thereon—if any they did have.

Within the constitutional period—*four months after your adjournment*—but 56 of the 98 Chartered Lodges made any return of their action. Of these 38 were for *adoption*, and 18 for *rejection*. These amendments will, therefore, come up before you for action at this Annual Communication, and are herewith appended.

The Lodges which failed to make returns of any action on said amendments, are as follows:

Perfect Union.....	No. 1	Patmos.....	No. 97
Humble Cottage.....	19	Henderson.....	99
St. Albans.....	28	Taylor.....	100
Foyer Maçonnique.....	44	Franklinton.....	101
Jackson.....	45	Mount Lebanon.....	104
St. James.....	47	Trinity.....	105
Providence.....	50	Friendship.....	114
Minden.....	51	Milford.....	117
Union Fraternal.....	53	Terryville.....	118
De Soto.....	55	Constantine.....	119
Franklin.....	57	Liberty.....	123
Western Star.....	61	Arcadia.....	126
Alpha.....	72	Dawson.....	129
Joppa.....	74	Warren.....	132
Sabine.....	75	Harry Hill.....	134
Mount Moriah.....	77	Plains.....	135
DeWitt Clinton.....	80	Athens.....	136
Oliver.....	84	Murray.....	137
Lafayette.....	87	Houma.....	139
Thibodeaux Benevolent....	90	Home.....	142
Bellevue.....	95	Ocean.....	144

The following cases of appeal from Subordinate Lodges, which were before your Committee on General Purposes, etc., last year, and in each case referred back, or postponed on account of informality, will require action. In each case the Lodges have been duly notified to perform the respective duties required of them by the Resolutions reported by the Committee, and adopted:

ALLEN GREEN *vs.* VIENNA LODGE, No. 106.—Remanded back for a

new trial. No new trial has yet been had, but the W. M. of said Lodge, has, a few days ago, received from me a transcript of some papers filed before the Committee, and which were not before his Lodge, and promises immediate action in the case after the adjournment of your present Communication.

J. B. WILLIAMS *vs.* LAFAYETTE LODGE, No. 87.—Lodge required to send up a full transcript of Proceedings had in the case. A letter has been sent on the subject, and the Lodge will be represented before the Committee by its representative.

A. LIVINGSTON *vs.* MOUNT GERIZIM LODGE, No. 54.—Lodge to send up Proceedings had in the case, and testimony taken. The only Proceedings had, have been sent up, and are the same as before the Committee last year.

F. MARIE *vs.* POLAR STAR LODGE, No. 1.—Lodge to send up Proceedings had on trials, and all documents relating thereto. Nothing sent.

SPARTA LODGE, No. 108 *vs.* G. W. JOHNSON AND D'ARBONNE LODGE, No. 128.—In this case the papers were all returned to Sparta Lodge, for the purpose of aiding in the new trial ordered in Union Fraternal Lodge, No. 53.

JOHN E. SMITH *vs.* PEARL RIVER LODGE, 125.—In this case the Lodge was instructed, if they believed their action regular in the expelling of Brother Smith to send up the Proceedings had on trial, etc., and if not, to grant him a new trial, and proceed in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution. The Lodge has reported the latter course as adopted by it, and reported the result to be, the indefinite suspension of Brother J. E. Smith.

The following new cases of Appeals and Grievances, will demand your attention this Session, namely :

LYSANDER RATHBUN, appealing from sentence of indefinite suspension, by Bellevue Lodge, No. 95.

C. M. CARSTLE, complaining of the action of Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 77, and Plains Lodge, No. 135, in charges made by him against Brother J. W. JONES.

R. A. JACKSON, appealing from the sentence of indefinite suspension, by Olive Lodge, No. 52.

Recommendation of PHOENIX LODGE, No. 38, to re-instate THOMAS DE RUSSY.

Recommendation of BELLEVUE LODGE, No. 95, to re-instate JOHN R. MILES.

At your last Annual Communication, the following Lodges made no returns, and, in accordance with the Constitution, I notified them of their default, namely:

Oliver.....	No. 84	Friendship .....	No. 114
Mount Lebanon.....	104	Murray.....	137
Vienna .....	106		

Of these, VIENNA LODGE, No. 106, has made returns and paid all her dues, except a small balance.

MOUNT LEBANON LODGE, No. 104, has made her returns for 1857, but none for 1856, and paid no dues.

OLIVER LODGE, No. 84, has made her returns for 1856 and 1857, and paid her dues for both years.

FRIENDSHIP LODGE, No. 114, it will be remembered, was represented at your last Annual Communication, by Brother H. M. Polk, who paid her dues, and stated that the Secretary had omitted to furnish the returns; which duty he has not yet performed for 1856 or 1857.

MURRAY LODGE, No. 137, has, through its W. M., Brother R. Legras, returned this day, to my office, her Charter, books, papers, jewels, etc.; stating, that the Lodge has held no meetings, nor done any work during the past year, and consequently, did not deem it requisite to make any returns.

We have under our jurisdiction 112 Lodges, 98 Chartered and 14 Under Dispensation. Of these 41 have made their returns and paid their dues within the period prescribed by the Constitution, namely:

Perfect Union.....	No. 1	Bellevue.....	No. 95
Polar Star.....	1	Henderson .....	99
Concorde .....	3	Franklinton .....	101
Perseverance .....	4	Vienna .....	106
Los Amigos del Orden....	5	Urim .....	111
Humble Cottage.....	19	Bartholomew .....	112
Feliciana .....	31	Acacia .....	116
Phoenix .....	38	Deerfield.....	120
Foyer Maçonnique.....	44	Mackey.....	122
Jackson.....	45	Kellertown.....	124

Minden.....	No. 51	Arcadia .....	No. 126
Union Fraternal.....	53	Warren.....	132
De Soto.....	55	Gordy.....	133
Friends of Harmony.....	58	Plains.....	135
Western Star.....	61	Jeffersonian .....	138
George Washington.....	65	Houma.....	139
Dudley.....	66	Home.....	142
Hiram.....	70	Ocean.....	144
Quitman .....	76	Silent Brotherhood.....	146
Mount Moriah.....	77	Fillmore.....	U. D.
Orleans.....	78	Eastern Star.....	"

MOUNT MORIAH LODGE, No. 59, made her returns within the constitutional period, but has not paid her dues for 1857. Her Representatives are, however, entitled to a seat in the Grand Lodge, it being indebted to her by note \$1,000.

And 40 have made returns and paid dues since the expiration of the constitutional period, namely:

St. Albans.....	No. 28	Sparta.....	No. 108
Germania.....	46	Castor.....	109
Providence.....	50	Shreveport.....	115
Mount Gerizim.....	54	Milford.....	117
Lafayette.....	56	Constantine.....	119
Tunica.....	63	Lisbon.....	121
Marion.....	68	Liberty.....	123
Alpha.....	72	Pearl River.....	125
St. Joseph.....	79	Springhill.....	127
De Witt Clinton.....	80	Solomon.....	130
Mount Vernon.....	83	Harry Hill.....	134
Oliver.....	84	Huntington.....	141
Lafayette.....	87	Hope.....	145
Cypress.....	89	Anacoco.....	147
Thibodeaux Benevolent...	90	Cherry Ridge.....	U. D.
St. Helena.....	96	Homer.....	"
Hermitage.....	98	Saints John.....	"
Louisiana.....	102	Darlington.....	"
Cloutierville.....	103	Perkins.....	"
Mount Lebanon.....	104	Rapides.....	"



And 10 Lodges have made returns up to this time, but have not paid their dues, viz :

Olive .....	No. 52	Harrisonburg.....	No. 110
Franklin.....	57	Thomas Jefferson.....	113
Sabine .....	75	Athens .....	136
Many.....	88	Downsville .....	143
Taylor .....	100	Kissatchie.....	U. D.

And 15 Lodges have neither made returns nor paid dues for 1857, up to the opening of this Annual Communication, namely :

St. James.....	No. 47	D'Arbonne.....	No. 128
Joppa.....	74	Dawson .....	129
Livonia.....	91	Shiloh .....	131
Monticello.....	92	Cool Spring.....	140
Patmos.....	97	Red Land.....	148
Trinity .....	105	Morganza.....	U. D.
Friendship .....	114	Iberville (81).....	"
Terryville.....	118		

Accompanying please find my account current for the past year.

Fraternally yours,

SAM'L G. RISK,

*Grand Secretary.*

R. W. Junior Grand Warden S. O. Scruggs, moved that the Grand Stewards be instructed to provide refreshments for the use of the M. W. Grand Lodge during its present Communication.

Bro. A. G. Carter moved to amend by adding "so soon as the Grand Lodge Hall shall have been paid for."

Bro. B. da Silva moved to lay the amendment on the table, which was lost.

The question on the amendment was then put and carried, and the question recurring on the original motion as amended, was lost.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced the following Standing Committees :

*Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances.*

J. Q. A. FELLOWS.....	of Marion Lodge.....	No. 68
J. B. SCOT.....	of George Washington Lodge	" 65
A. J. NORWOOD.....	of Kellertown Lodge .....	" 124
W. L. DE GRAFFENRIEDT.....	of Castor Lodge.....	" 109
G. W. JELKS.....	of Mount Gerizim Lodge..	" 54
HY. REGENBURG.....	of Union Fraternal Lodge..	" 53

*Committee on Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges.*

JULIUS ARONI.....	of St. Joseph Lodge.....	No. 79
PHILIP MEYERS.....	of Oliver Lodge.....	" 84
H. R. SWASEY.....	of Geo. Washington Lodge..	" 65

*Committee on Work and Returns of Lodges Under Dispensation.*

A. S. WASHBURN.....	of Bartholomew Lodge....	No. 112
A. P. DOSTIE.....	of Orleans Lodge.....	" 78
J. E. S. HOUGH.....	of Harry Hill Lodge.....	" 134

*Committee on Audit and Accounts.*

W. C. DRIVER.....	of Louisiana Lodge.....	No. 102
B. DA SILVA.....	of Friends of Harmony Ldg.	" 58
J. T. WATTS.....	of Mount Moriah Lodge...	" 59

Bro. Julius Aroni moved that the sum of Twenty-five Dollars be appropriated for the purpose of procuring refreshments for to-morrow evening, which was lost.

The M. W. Grand Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment, until to-morrow evening at 6 o'clock.

WM. M. PERKINS, Grand Master.

A. S. WASHBURN, Senior Grand Warden.

S. O. SCRUGGS, Junior Grand Warden.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 9, 1858.

The M. W. Grand Lodge met at 6 o'clock, and was called to labor in the Third Degree.

OFFICERS PRESENT:

WM. M. PERKINS.....	M. W. Grand Master.
AMOS ADAMS.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
A. S. WASHBURN.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
S. O. SCRUGGS.....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
S. C. MICHELL.....	W. Grand Treasurer.
S. G. RISK.....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
JULIUS ARONI.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
A. J. NORWOOD.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
W. C. DRIVER.....	W. Grand Marshal.
T. F. HEDGES.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer, <i>pro tem.</i>
G. W. JELKS.....	W. Grand Pursuivant, “
H. M. CRENSHAW.....	W. Grand Steward.
J. T. WATTS.....	“ “
B. DA SILVA.....	“ “ <i>pro tem.</i>
T. W. PEYTON.....	“ “ “
JOS. CHELLET.....	W. Grand Tyler.

The Roll of Lodges being called, the following were represented, viz: Nos. p. u. 1, 3, 5, 19, 44, 45, 46, 52, 53, 54, 56, 57, 58, 59, 61, 63, 65, 66, 68, 70, 72, 76, 78, 79, 83, 84, 87, 90, 96, 101, 102, 103, 109, 112, 116, 117, 124, 125, 127, 134, 135, 141, 144, 145, 146, 147. Total, 46 Chartered Lodges.

And the following U. D.: Darlington, Eastern Star and Cherry Ridge.

The following distinguished visitors were seated in the East :

J. W. S. MITCHELL, Past Grand Master of Missouri.

ROB MORRIS, Deputy Grand Master of Kentucky.

R. F. MCGUIRE, Grand Representative of Grand Lodge of New York.

SAM'L M. TODD, " " " " Alabama.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, " " " " Vermont.

The Minutes of the meeting of the 8th inst., were read and approved.

The Committee on Credentials submitted the following Report, which was read and approved :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Credentials, beg leave to report the following Brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge, viz :

OLIVE.....No. 52—G. W. Munday, W. M.

T. L. McGhee, S. W.

Moses Meyer, J. W.

Brother L. R. Curtis, proxy for W. M., and Brother Wilson McKerral, proxy for S. W., of Franklin Lodge, No. 57.

Brother L. H. Gardner, proxy for Master and Wardens of Cloutierville Lodge, No. 103.

And Brother Emmett D. Craig, proxy for S. W. of Humble Cottage Lodge, No. 19.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. BOCKIUS,

T. F. HEDGES,

B. F. DILLARD.

R. W. Deputy Grand Master, Amos Adams, on behalf of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, then submitted the following Report, which was, on motion, received.

[See APPENDIX, pages 1 to 68.]

The Special Committee, to whom was referred the M. W.

Grand Master's Address, submitted the following Report, which was, on motion, adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Special Committee appointed on the Address delivered by the Most Worshipful Grand Master, at the opening of this Grand Communication, beg leave to report :

That they have carefully examined the very elaborate Address, and found therein matters which will necessarily attract the attention of the different Committees, to whose consideration the different portions thereof may be recommended.

That so much of the Address as refers to the relation of the Lodges Polar Star No. 1, Perseverance No. 4, and St. Andrew No. 5, to the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana ; and also the action of Ocean Lodge, No. 144, with reference to J. J. E. Massicot, be referred to the Committee on General Purposes, etc., with the request that this Committee give their immediate attention to this very important matter.

That so much of the Address as refers to the question propounded by Humble Cottage Lodge No. 19, to the Grand Lodge for information ; and that so much of the Address as refers to the communication of Acacia Lodge, No. 116 ; be also referred to the Committee on General Purposes, etc.

That so much of the Address as refers to the admission of unworthy applicants ; and that so much of the Address as refers to Taylor Lodge, No. 100, be referred to the Committee on Chartered Lodges.

Many other matters of great merit and importance have been mentioned by the Most Worshipful Grand Master, yet as they do not require any immediate or further attention, your Committee does not deem it necessary to make any special reference thereof to any standing or special committee. Some other parts will be laid before the Lodge for common action, out of which your Committee considers of very great importance that portion of the Address which refers to the representation of the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana near other Grand Lodges throughout the Masonic world, and for that purpose your Committee beg leave to suggest for the consideration of the Grand Lodge the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana is in favor of an interchange of Representatives with other Grand Lodges, and that the Most Worshipful Grand Master be authorized to appoint, and keep in office at his pleasure,

Representatives of the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana near other Grand Lodges throughout the world.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted,

JULIUS ARONI,  
H. R. SWASEY,  
H. REGENBURG.

Brother B. da Silva then moved that the resolution offered in the above Report be adopted, which was carried.

Brother J. Q. A. Fellows submitted the following Report from the Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1, which was, on motion, received and ordered to be spread on the Minutes.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

At the close of another Masonic year, and of my official connection with LOUISIANA RELIEF LODGE, No. 1, I beg leave to submit the following Report of its "Work," for the year that has just passed.

Nothing has transpired during the past year to call for special mention. The remarks contained in the two previous reports are, however, fully applicable to the present, and are referred to as a part of this Report. The same plan of dispensing the funds at our control has been pursued which has prevailed in former years, namely : *to furnish relief to a sick Brother ; to bury the dead, and to relieve those widows and orphans among us, whose antecedents we know.* For the accomplishment of these purposes, our funds (owing to the favorable state of health among us,) have happily sufficed.

In the relief of strange applicants passing through our city, we have been somewhat cautious, for it has been found to be the case, that a majority of such applicants are impostors, and totally unworthy the regard of good men. Quite a number of worthy Brethren have, however, been relieved in this way, and our only regret has been that our means were not larger, and that some more certain method could not be devised of detecting those who attempt to impose upon us. We have remarked with no inconsiderable interest, that impostors almost invariably hail from those jurisdictions whose Grand Lodges do not publish a list of their members. Were lists of members published by the several Grand Lodges, great aid would be afforded, and much imposition prevented.

In the want of this information, we have had to rely upon the experience of the past, (which has been dearly learned,) and upon a system of careful, yet as far as possible, humane and considerate examination of each applicant. This course has saved our treasury many hundred dollars, at the expense, however, of much valuable time, and occasional pain given to the worthy, by the implied mistrust thus exhibited of their honesty and worthiness.

Our Secretary, Brother Alfred Shaw, has, by request, furnished the necessary figures to enable us to show, in this report, the extent and nature of the transactions of the Relief Lodge. The close of the year shows an aggregate expenditure for relief of \$2,372 20, granted to Masons or widows and orphans, hailing from the following jurisdictions:

Massachusetts.....	\$ 30 00	Kentucky.....	\$ 14 00
Connecticut .....	1 00	Missouri .....	17 00
New York.....	145 00	Ohio.....	100 00
Pennsylvania.....	10 00	Indiana.....	25 00
Maryland .....	81 50	Illinois.....	35 00
Virginia.....	10 00	Wisconsin.....	12 50
North Carolina.....	108 50	California.....	370 00
South Carolina.....	112 00	England.....	9 00
Georgia.....	70 00	Scotland.....	132 50
Alabama.....	10 00	Ireland.....	12 00
Mississippi.....	69 70	France.....	65 00
Louisiana .....	589 50	Netherlands.....	20 00
Texas .....	258 00	Unknown*.....	15 00
Tennessee.....	50 00		

Total Relief January 1st, 1857, to January 1st, 1858.....\$2,372 20

The amount granted to Masons was.....	\$955 00
Widows of Masons.....	942 20
Orphans .....	60 00
Families of absent Masons.....	415 00

Total Relief 1857.....\$2,372 20

Expenses on Tomb.....	\$ 22 50
Printing, Stationery and Recording Title.....	103 25
Secretary for 1856.....	60 00
“ “ 1857.....	60 00
Tyling.....	12 10

Total expenditures 1857.....\$2,630 05

\* Advanced by Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 59, of this city, in May last to a Brother.

Herewith are the entire Expenditures of the RELIEF LODGE from July 1, 1854, (the date of our Charter as a Relief Lodge,) specifying the different channels through which payments were made; following which are the Receipts during the same time.

## DISBURSEMENTS.

July 1st, 1854, to January 1st, 1856.

## BY TREASURER.

Relief Orders.....	\$5,239 45
Printing, Stationery, etc.....	64 75
On Tomb in Greenwood Cemetery.....	380 00
Orleans Chapter Note and Interest.....	202 80
Return of Loan to A. Shaw.....	50 00
Tyling.....	39 00
Secretary to January 1, 1856.....	90 00

## BY GRAND TREASURER.

Relief Orders .....	251 00
Tomb .....	2,960 00

## ASSUMED BY GRAND LODGE.

Debt to Orleans Chapter.....	500 00
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January 1st, 1857, to January 1st, 1858.

## BY TREASURER.

Relief of Master Masons, 1857.....	\$925 00
Widows      "      "      " .....	922 20
Orphans      "      "      " .....	60 00
Families of Absent Masons.....	415 00
Expenses on Tomb.....	22 50
Printing, Stationery, and Recording Title.....	103 25
Secretary for 1856.....	60 00
"      "      1857.....	60 00
Tyling .....	12 10

## RELIEF ADVANCED BY LODGES \* FOR RELIEF LODGE.

By Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 59, March, 1857.....	\$15 00
By Ocean Lodge, No. 144, May, 1857.....	20 00
By Orleans Lodge, No. 78, September, 1857.....	15 00

\* Of these sums those advanced by Mount Moriah and Orleans, for account of Relief Lodge, increase the sums for Relief of Master Masons \$30; and by Ocean the \$20 were advanced to two Widows of Master Masons.



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## ON HAND.

Balance of Loan in hands of Grand Lodge.....	\$2,289 00
Balance of Cash on hand January 1, 1858.....	578 45
	<hr/> \$15,274 50

## RECAPITULATION.

Paid for Relief.....	\$7,862 65
“ “ Tomb.....	3,362 50
“ “ Printing, Stationery, etc.....	168 00
“ “ Interest .....	2 80
“ “ Salary of Secretary.....	210 00
“ “ Tying .....	51 10
Borrowed Money returned.....	750 00
Balance held by Grand Lodge as a loan.....	2,289 00
Balance on hand January 1, 1858.....	578 45
Total.....	<hr/> \$15,274 50

## RECEIPTS.

Balance of Cash on hand July 1, 1854.....	\$ 586 02
Principal of Loan in hands of Grand Lodge.....	6,000 00
Due Relief Board and paid by Lodges for May and June, 1854.....	273 00
Monthly dues received from Perfect Union Lodge, No. 1.....	355 75
“ “ “ Friends of Harmony, No. 58.....	647 75
“ “ “ Mount Moriah, No. 59.....	1,209 75
“ “ “ George Washington, No. 65.....	868 50
“ “ “ Dudley, No. 68.....	182 25
“ “ “ Marion, No. 68.....	967 50
“ “ “ Hiram, No. 70.....	312 00
“ “ “ Alpha, No. 72.....	392 00
“ “ “ Quitman, No. 76.....	251 50
“ “ “ Orleans, No. 78.....	318 50
“ “ “ Louisiana, No. 102.....	46 00
“ “ “ Home, No. 142.....	88 00
“ “ “ Ocean, No. 144.....	166 25
Sums borrowed.....	750 00
For Interest.....	960 00
Relief returned by London Lodge, No. 209, C. W.....	25 00
“ “ “ Brothers relieved.....	113 50
“ “ “ Grand Lodge of Texas.....	160 00

For Vaults.....	158 00
For Desks sold.....	10 00
Collections by Brothers.....	265 00
Extra Contribution from Friends of Harmony, No. 58 .....	40 00
“ “ “ Marion, No. 68.....	30 00
Orleans Chapter, No. 1, La.——Contribution.....	50 00
Kellertown Lodge, No. 124, La.——Contribution.....	25 00
From various accounts overpaid.....	23 23
Total to January 1st, 1858.....	<u>\$15,274 50</u>

These statements are complete up to January 1, 1858. For greater clearness, the funds loaned to the Grand Lodge and drafted upon, are taken in connection with the other funds and receipts, having been expended for the same general purposes. The Relief returned will be seen to amount in all to \$298 50, which, though but a small proportion of the total granted (\$7,862 65,) is not the less creditable to the Lodge, Grand Lodge, and Brothers, whose high sense of right has been thus shown in their return of the sums expended. There were also two sums, amounting to \$11, appropriated, but returned unexpended. The net amount of Relief distributed and unreturned since July 1, 1854, is therefore exactly \$7,553 15. The sums paid in by Constituent Lodges for monthly dues, since the same period, as a starting point, amount to \$5,805 75; and their extra donations to the Relief Lodge, \$70. Total from Constituent Lodges, \$5,875 75. Donations from other sources, not including Relief returned, amount to \$340.

The Grand Lodges of Texas and Connecticut have shown substantial proofs of their fraternal sympathy with our organization and its purposes. The former repaid us for grants to applicants from her jurisdiction, and the latter is raising a fund to aid us in the good cause.

Kellertown Lodge, No. 124, La., sent a donation of \$25, and we are informed by the Secretary, that since the close of the year, a similar donation has been received from Acacia Lodge, No. 116. There is good prospect of the example of these two Lodges being followed by many others in our State, and if so, our means of relieving distress will be much augmented.

In conclusion, we submit the above, and trust for the continuance of the favor and regard of the Grand Lodge, and through it of the Fraternity throughout the world.

Respectfully and Fraternaly, in behalf of the RELIEF LODGE,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, W. M.

The Committee on Audit and Accounts submitted the following Reports, which were read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Grand Treasurer, have had the same under consideration, and would respectfully report :

That they have examined his Vouchers and Report, and find the same to be correct, and have cancelled said Vouchers.

Your Committee do not deem it necessary, after the recommendations of our M. W. G. Master, as set forth in his most able report to the Grand Lodge, to make any suggestions in regard to the financial arrangements for the present year, but trust this Grand Lodge will empower the Grand Master to take such steps as he may deem best under existing circumstances.

All of which is Fraternally submitted.

W. C. DRIVER,  
J. T. WATTS,  
B. DA SILVA.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee, to whom was referred the able Report of our Worthy Grand Secretary, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report :

That owing to the great delay of the Subordinate Lodges in forwarding returns and paying dues, the part of said report properly coming under their consideration has yet to be presented and referred ; and the only duty devolving on them is the separating and recommending the referring to the appropriate Committees the various subjects presented in said Report.

They would therefore recommend that so much of his Report found on pages 2, 3, 3½, 4, 12 and 13, referring to Lodges Nos. 62, 93, 86, 81, 91, 74, 95, 4, 55, 100, 146, 44, 84, 104, 106, 114, 137, and that portion on pages 14 to 17 inclusive, relating to Work and Returns, be referred to Committee on Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges.

So much of said Report found on pages 5 and 6, appertaining to Adaise, Darlington, Swan Lake, and other Lodges Under Dispensation, be referred to Committee on Work and Returns of Lodges Under Dispensation.

So much of said Report found on pages 3½ and 3¾, referring to Lodges Nos. 1, 4 and 5, and so much on pages 9 to 12 inclusive, relating to Appeals, be referred to Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. C. DRIVER,  
J. T. WATTS,  
B. DA SILVA.

The Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances, offered the following Report, which was, on motion, received :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances, have had under consideration the Memorial to the Grand Lodge, and the protest of certain members of Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, relative to the action of certain other members of that Lodge, in withdrawing from the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, and other practices, as fully set forth in the address of the M. W. Grand Master, and the documents thereto annexed.

It seems that in violation of good faith and their Masonic obligations, the following members, namely : R. Brugier, L. E. Deluzain, H. Clostermann, J. Lasalle, N. Colin, J. Collon, L. Gloeckner, D. Michel, G. Mouras, J. Jauquet, S. G. Fabio, S. Vedot, S. Turpia, P. Van Rooten, A. Denis, H. Deron, L. Niederberger, F. Eerot, C. Dupre, and E. Aynaud, did attempt, by an alleged transfer of the property of said Lodge to themselves under another name, to divert the funds and property of the Lodge from the legitimate purpose for which it was destined ; and subsequently by a vote at a meeting, said to have been irregularly called, withdraw from and renounce all allegiance to this Grand Lodge, and do other acts set forth more fully in the Grand Master's Address and the documents annexed, and which is made part of this report, and have thereby forfeited all their rights and privileges as Masons.

It further appears, that certain other members, to-wit : P. Deverges, M. Meilleur, J. L. Tissot, A. Texier, Charles Claiborne, F. Levasseur, O. Schwaner and F. A. Lumsden, did protest against the action of the first named members, and have, with others agreeing with them, petitioned this

Grand Lodge, that the Charter and property of Polar Star Lodge remain vested in them, and that such relief be granted as shall enable them and those of the Lodge as may be willing to adhere to the Grand Lodge, to retain the powers of a Lodge, and to preserve Polar Star Lodge as a useful constituent of this Grand Lodge.

Your Committee are fully satisfied with the integrity and worth of the petitioners, and of the falseness and unworthiness of those who have shown themselves traitors to the authority and rights of this Grand Lodge, and who have renounced their allegiance thereto, and submit the following resolutions, and recommend their adoption :

1. *Resolved*, That the Charter of Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, be entrusted to Brothers P. Deverges, M. Meilleur, J. L. Tissot, A. Texier, Charles Claiborne, F. Levasseur, O. Schwaner and F. A. Lumsden, and such other members of Polar Star Lodge not otherwise named in the foregoing report, who shall give in their allegiance to this Grand Lodge, and who shall be received by said eight Brethren just named, with power to at once proceed to organize their Lodge by the election and installation of officers, and be entitled to be represented herein so soon as they shall have done the same; and in default of obtaining the Charter of said Lodge for such purpose, a certified copy of this resolution shall be their Warrant until such time as a regular Charter can be furnished them.

2. *Resolved*, That the twenty Brethren first named in this report, be, and are hereby expelled from the Order and all the rights of Masonry; provided, that should any of the twenty Brothers expelled by this resolution, within three months after notice of their expulsion, come forward and declare their allegiance to the Grand Lodge, then, and in that case, this resolution shall have no force or effect, so far as it may concern them.

3. *Resolved*, That the Lodge, as composed by the first resolution, are hereby authorized to try and punish, in the manner pointed out in the Constitution, all the other members of said Lodge.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
H. REGENBURG,  
G. W. JELKS,  
B. F. DILLARD,  
JAMES B. SCOT.

On motion of Brother J. Q. A. Fellows, the resolutions appended to above Report were taken up separately, and on his motion, the first resolution was read and adopted.

The second resolution being read, and a motion being made to adopt it, the M. W. Grand Master declared the resolution out of order; it being at variance with the specific provisions of the Grand Lodge Constitution, and with the principle, that no Mason can be expelled without a trial or an opportunity for defence—and notwithstanding his ruling, the M. W. Grand Master permitted the Brethren to discuss the merits of the question involved, at length and freely.

Brother J. C. Bachelor then offered the following Resolution, which was lost:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on General Purposes, etc., be, and are hereby ordered to take the necessary steps, by preparing all necessary papers, to bring the Brethren mentioned in the second resolution above, and all others that refuse to recognize the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, to trial, at the earliest date constitutionally.

Bro. Julius Aroni, then offered the following Resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to demand of the several Worshipful Masters of Polar Star Lodge No. 1, Perseverance No. 4, and St. Andrew No. 5, their Charters, prior to 12 o'clock to-morrow.

Bro. Julius Aroni asked to be relieved from the Committee on Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges, which was granted, and Bro. W. T. Cox, of Tunica Lodge, No. 63, appointed in his place.

The following Communication from Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, was then submitted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

The undersigned, duly organized by virtue of your decree signed this day, granting them the Charter which belongs to them, ever-faithful

members of Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, having proceeded to the election of their Officers, give hereby notice of the same, to-wit:

A. R. MOREL.....Worshipful Master.  
 CHARLES CLAIBORNE.....Senior Warden.  
 F. LEVASSEUR.....Junior Warden.  
 P. DEVERGES.....Orateur or Speaker.  
 M. MEILLEUR.....Secretary.  
 A. TEXIER.....Treasurer.  
 OTTO SCWHANER.....Master of Ceremonies.  
 J. L. TISSOT.....Sword Bearer.  
 SAMORY.....Hospitaleur.  
 TALLERIE.....Expert.  
 ML. PRADAS.....Inside Tyler.

And said members of Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, being now ready for installation, do request your Most Worshipful Body to be kind enough to delegate a Deputy in order to perform the ceremony, so that they may be represented at this Grand Communication.

A. R. MOREL, W. M. elect.

M. MEILLEUR, Secretary.

New Orleans, Feb. 9, 1858.

Bro. T. F. Hedges then moved that the M. W. Grand Master comply with the request made by Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, which was adopted, and R. W. Deputy Grand Master A. Adams appointed to perform said duty.

On motion, the M. W. Grand Lodge fixed the hour of 10 o'clock to-morrow evening to hear a Lecture from our distinguished Bro. Rob Morris, Deputy Grand Master of Kentucky.

R. W. Deputy Grand Master Amos Adams then reported that he had performed the duty for which he had been specially delegated, and regularly installed the following Brethren as Officers of Polar Star Lodge, No. 1:

A. R. MOREL, W. M.

CHAS. CLAIBORNE, S. W.

F. LEVASSEUR, J. W.

When, on motion, unanimously adopted, they were admitted as Representatives of said Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, in this Grand Lodge.

The M. W. Grand Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment, until to-morrow evening at 6 o'clock.

AMOS ADAMS, D. Grand Master, *presiding*.

A. S. WASHBURN, Senior Grand Warden.

S. O. SCRUGGS, Junior Grand Warden.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 10, 1858.

The M. W. Grand Lodge was called to labor in the Third Degree, in due form, at 6 o'clock, P. M.

OFFICERS PRESENT:

AMOS ADAMS.....	R. W. Deputy G. Master, <i>presiding</i> .
A. S. WASHBURN.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
S. O. SCRUGGS.....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
S. C. MICHELL.....	W. Grand Treasurer.
S. G. RISK .....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
JULIUS ARONI.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
A. J. NORWOOD.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
W. C. DRIVER.....	W. Grand Marshal.
HY. GOODRICH .....	W. Grand Sword Bearer, <i>pro tem</i> .
T. F. HEDGES.....	W. Grand Pursuivant, " "
S. P. SOLOMON.....	W. Grand Steward, <i>pro tem</i> .
T. W. PEYTON.....	" " "
G. P. EVANS.....	" " "
C. P. SKINNER.....	" " "
JOS. CHELLET .....	W. Grand Tyler.



The Minutes of the meeting of Feb. 9, 1858, were read and approved.

The Roll of Lodges being called, the following were represented, viz: Nos. P. U. 1, P. S. 1, 5, 19, 44, 45, 46, 51, 53, 54, 56, 57, 58, 59, 61, 63, 65, 68, 70, 72, 76, 77, 78, 79, 83, 84, 90, 92, 98, 101, 102, 103, 109, 110, 112, 116, 117, 119, 124, 125, 127, 130, 134, 135, 142, 144, 145, 146, 147. Total, 49 Chartered Lodges.

And the following U. D.: Darlington, Eastern Star and Cherry Ridge.

The Committee on Credentials made the following Report, which was read and adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

The Committee on Credentials, beg leave to report the following Brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge:

MONTICELLO.....No. 92—J. M. Gaddis, W. M.

R. H. Dollerhide, S. W.

J. W. Epps, J. W.

F. A. Dentzel, proxy for Minden Lodge, No. 51.

Clement Gore, “ S. W. Kellertown Lodge, No. 124.

C. E. Kells, “ J. W. Friends of Harmony Lodge, No. 58.

M. H. McLeod, “ J. W. Thibodeaux Benevolent Lodge, No. 90.

S. M. Todd, “ W. M. Monticello Lodge, No. 92.

Fraternally submitted,

J. M. BOCKIUS,

T. F. HEDGES,

B. F. DILLARD.

The Grand Secretary submitted the following Report, which was read and adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

I beg leave to report the transactions of my office during to-day:

RED LAND LODGE, No. 148, has furnished her returns, but no dues have been paid. They say, however, that they will be in a few days, through a Brother of their Lodge.

MOUNT LEBANON LODGE, No. 104.—The returns of this Lodge for 1856 are received, together with \$41 on account of said dues, being, as stated, in their letter, all the funds on hand.

KISSATCHIE LODGE, U. D., has, this day, paid her dues in full.

MONTICELLO LODGE, No. 92.—This Lodge has made her returns, and paid her dues in full.

Respectfully and fraternally yours,

SAM'L G. RISK,

*Grand Secretary.*

The Grand Secretary reported verbally, that he had been unable to see the proper officers of Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, Perseverance No. 4, and St. Andrew No. 5, to demand of them their Charters.

On motion of Brother J. Aroni, further time was given in this case up to six o'clock to-morrow evening.

Pending the above motion, the M. W. Grand Master, Wm. M. Perkins, entered, and being received with appropriate honors, resumed his seat in the East.

The roll of Lodges being then called, it was found that a constitutional number was present to act upon Amendments to our Grand Lodge Constitution.

Brother J. Q. A. Fellows then moved, that the Amendments be taken up in the order in which they were presented last Annual Communication.

The following, offered by Brother J. Q. A. Fellows on the 10th February, 1857, as a substitute for our present Constitution, was then taken up.

[See APPENDIX, pp. 136 to 144.]

Brother R. F. McGuire moved to reject it as a whole, and the vote being taken by Lodges, resulted as follows:

AYES—Nos. 45, 46, 56, 59, 61, 70, 77, 127—Total, 8.

NAYS—Nos. P. U. 1, P. S. 1, 5, 19, 51, 53, 54, 57, 58, 63, 65, 68, 72, 76, 78, 83, 84, 90, 92, 98, 101, 102, 103, 109, 110, 112, 116, 117, 119, 122, 124, 125, 130, 134, 135, 142, 144, 145, 146, 147—Total, 40.

Bro. J. Q. A. Fellows moved to adopt it as reported, when

Bro. A. Pike moved to take it up Article by Article and Section by Section, which was adopted.

Article 1, Section 1, and Article 2, Sections 1 and 2, were read and adopted.

Article 3, Section 1, was read, when Bro. J. L. Barrett moved to reconsider the vote to read by Articles and Sections, which was adopted.

The question then recurring on the motion to adopt it as reported, resulted as follows :

AYES—Nos. P. U. 1, 19, 51, 53, 54, 61, 63, 65, 68, 70, 72, 76, 79, 83, 84, 90, 92, 98, 101, 102, 103, 109, 112, 116, 117, 119, 124, 125, 130, 134, 135, 142, 144, 145, 146, 147—Total, 46.

NAYS—Nos. P. S. 1, 5, 44, 45, 46, 56, 57, 58, 59, 77, 78, 110, 127—Total, 13.

Bro. S. M. Todd moved to reconsider above vote.

Bro. J. Q. A. Fellows moved to lay said motion on the table, which was adopted.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced that the time had arrived, as designated by the Grand Lodge, to hear a lecture from Bro. Rob Morris, Deputy Grand Master of Kentucky.

This distinguished and talented Brother then addressed the Grand Lodge in a most eloquent manner, on the Sta-

bility and Beauty of the Principles of Masonry ; demonstrating, as a sure, and the only safe means of preserving those principles, unalloyed by discord within and censure without its circle, a full, correct and universal knowledge of its jurisprudence.

The Committee on Work and Returns of Lodges Under Dispensation, offered the following Report, which was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Work and Returns of Lodges Under Dispensation have examined the returns of the following Lodges, which have been placed in their hands by the Grand Secretary, and offer the following Report and Resolutions for the consideration of this Grand Body :

**SAINTS JOHN LODGE.**—The returns of this Lodge are correct, and its proceedings generally in conformity to Masonic usage. We beg leave, however, to notice a slight departure from this usage in the records of the Secretary. He records the Lodge as closed in "*due and ample form.*" If your Committee are rightly instructed, no Lodge is closed in "*ample*" form except in presence of, or by the Grand Master. The Lodge has adopted the Standard By-Laws recommended by this Grand Lodge at its last Annual Grand Communication.

The Dispensation is returned, accompanied by a petition for a Charter, signed by all its members.

**EASTERN STAR LODGE.**—The returns of this Lodge are in conformity to the Constitution ; the By-Laws those recommended by the Grand Lodge.

A petition for a Charter also accompanies the returns.

**DARLINGTON LODGE.**—The proceedings of this Lodge are in accordance with the requisitions of the Grand Lodge. They have returned their Dispensation, which was continued last year, and present a petition for a Charter. Their By-Laws were returned last year, and certain amendments recommended by your last Committee. Those amendments have been made by the Lodge, which removes all objection to them ; yet this Committee would advise the adoption, by the Lodge, of the uniform code

recommended by this Grand Lodge at its last Annual Grand Communication.

**RAPIDES LODGE.**—This Lodge has returned its Dispensation and proceedings, in conformity to the requisitions of this Grand Lodge. We find its proceedings regular, and its By-Laws, in substance, the same as our standing By-Laws. A petition, however, accompanies these documents, praying for a continuance of the Dispensation for another year. The reason they assign for this is, that in consequence of an error in the first Dispensation, as to the location of the Lodge, it was returned for correction, and not received until a late period of the year—their first meeting having been on the 3d day of November last.

**PERKINS LODGE.**—This Lodge has made a return of its Dispensation and proceedings, and petitions for a Charter. In examining the proceedings, (which are copied in a remarkably neat manner,) although in the main in conformity to the regulations of this Grand Lodge, we find some things which we cannot approve. Candidates were initiated on the 5th December, passed on the 12th, and raised on the 19th and 20th, 1857. This haste in making Masons we consider not only in derogation of ancient usage, but imprudent and impolitic. As a general thing a candidate cannot, in so short a period, become proficient, or learn the beautiful moral symbolism taught in the First Degree; nor can we, on so slight an acquaintance and intercourse, in all cases, be assured that he is a fit subject on whom to confer the remaining degrees. Our portals should not only be strictly guarded without, but those permitted to enter should proceed with measured steps, and slow. We would, therefore, recommend our Brethren of Perkins Lodge, to proceed with more deliberation and circumspection.

Their By-Laws are in conformity to our standard code.

**GROSSE TETE LODGE.**—This Lodge has made its returns, and sent in its Dispensation with a petition to have it continued another year. They have sent no proceedings or By-Laws.

**HOMER LODGE.**—This Lodge, has sent up its proceedings, with its Dispensation and By-Laws, and asks for a Charter. Its By-Laws are in conformity to the Constitution and Masonic usage, except that it *elects* by ballot all its officers. Its minutes are irregular in many respects. We find the same error in its proceedings as mentioned in our report upon Perkins Lodge, that of hurrying candidates too rapidly through the several

degrees. Candidates initiated on the 14th December were passed on the 19th, and raised on the 31st of the same. We recommend the same caution to this Lodge that we did to Perkins Lodge.

In conclusion, we offer the following Resolutions :

*Resolved*, That Charters be granted to SAINTS JOHN LODGE, EASTERN STAR LODGE, DARLINGTON LODGE, PERKINS LODGE, and HOMER LODGE, heretofore Under Dispensation; and that the Dispensations heretofore granted to RAPIDES LODGE and GOSSE TETE LODGE, be continued as prayed for, until our next Annual Communication.

*Resolved*, That the Furniture, Books and Funds of the late Independence Lodge, U. D., be delivered to the Master of Eastern Star Lodge, in trust for this Grand Lodge, and that the Grand Secretary be directed to give the proper order for the same.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. S. WASHBURN,  
JNO. E. S. HOUGH,  
A. P. DOSTIE.

The Resolutions appended to above Report were then taken up separately and adopted.

The Grand Secretary then announced that he had on his desk, a petition from E. Perroncel, complaining of the action of Joppa Lodge, No. 74, in suspending him, which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances.

The Committee on Audit and Accounts, submitted the following Report, which was read and adopted.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee of Audit and Accounts, beg leave to report :

That they have had under consideration the "balance sheet of the Grand Secretary," up to the 30th of January, 1858, have examined the books and accounts, and find the same to be correct, and very beautifully and neatly kept.

Respectfully submitted.

W. C. DRIVER,  
B. DA SILVA,  
J. J. WATTS.

New Orleans, February 10, 1858.

R. W. Junior Grand Warden, S. O. Scruggs, offered the following Resolution, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge, empower and authorize in full, the Most Worshipful Grand Master, to make all arrangements and negotiations for the meeting of the instalment upon the Grand Lodge Hall, falling due on the 1st and 4th of March next.

The M. W. Grand Master reminded the Grand Lodge, that to-morrow was the day set apart by the Constitution for the election of officers.

On motion, the hour of 7 o'clock was fixed for said election.

The M. W. Grand Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment, until 5 o'clock to-morrow evening.

WM. M. PERKINS, Grand Master.

A. S. WASHBURN, Senior Grand Warden.

S. O. SCRUGGS, Junior Grand Warden.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 11, 1858.

The M. W. Grand Lodge was called to labor in the Third Degree, in ample form, at 5 o'clock, P. M.

OFFICERS PRESENT:

WM. M. PERKINS.....	M. W. Grand Master.
AMOS ADAMS.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
A. S. WASHBURN.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
S. O. SCRUGGS.....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
S. C. MICHELL.....	W. Grand Treasurer.
S. G. RISK.....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
JULIUS ARONI.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
A. J. NORWOOD.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
W. C. DRIVER.....	W. Grand Marshal.
T. F. HEDGES.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer, <i>pro tem.</i>
T. W. PEYTON.....	W. Grand Pursuivant, <i>pro tem.</i>
H. M. CRENSHAW.....	W. Grand Steward.
J. T. WATTS.....	" "
JOHN E. S. HOUGH.....	" " <i>pro tem.</i>
R. W. TROTH.....	" " "
JOS. CHELLET.....	W. Grand Tyler.

A roll of Lodges being called, the following were represented, viz: Nos. P. U. 1, 5, 19, 50, 53, 54, 56, 57, 58, 63, 65, 68, 70, 76, 77, 78, 83, 101, 102, 103, 109, 110, 112, 116, 124, 127, 132, 134, 135, 145, 147. Total, 31—and Eastern Star, U. D.

The Minutes of the meeting of February 10, 1858, were then read and approved.

The Committee on Credentials made the following Report, which was read and adopted:



*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following named Brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge :

Brother Walter Nicol, proxy for Constantine Lodge, No. 119.

Brother B. F. Dillard, proxy for W. M., Mount Gerizim Lodge, No. 54.

Brother S. C. Michel, proxy for W. M., Urim Lodge, No. 111.

Brother C. Samory, proxy for S. W., Polar Star Lodge, No. 1.

Fraternally submitted,

T. F. HEDGES,

B. F. DILLARD.

Bro. S. O. Scruggs, R. W. Junior Grand Warden, then offered the following Resolution, which was unanimously adopted :

*Resolved*, That such portions of the Constitution of 1850, as do not conflict with the present Constitution, be and are hereby declared to be in force, as Standing Regulations of this Grand Lodge, until repealed or superseded by special action.

Bro. J. Q. A. Fellows moved to adopt the "BY-LAWS AND GENERAL REGULATIONS" as reported by the Committee on Revising Constitution, and appended thereto, which was adopted.

[See APPENDIX, pp. 145 to 169.]

Bro. A. P. Dostie moved to refer the communication from the Grand Consistory of Louisiana, which accompanied the M. W. Grand Master's Address, to a Special Committee of three, which was adopted.

The M. W. Grand Master appointed as said Committee, Bros. A. P. Dostie, H. R. Swasey and Amos Adams.

Bro. S. O. Scruggs offered the following, which remains subject to call :

*Resolved*, That the recently adopted Constitution, with the By-Laws and General Regulations appended thereto, as they may be amended by the Grand Lodge before it closes, shall be translated into French at as early a day as practicable.

Bro. C. Laffon, after a few eloquent and appropriate remarks, moved that the M. W. Grand Lodge assemble at half-past five o'clock, to-morrow evening, to hear an Address from our Illustrious Brother Albert Pike, which was unanimously adopted.

The M. W. Grand Master, then announced the hour for the election of officers as having arrived.

Bro. J. Q. A. Fellows moved that none but actual members of the Grand Lodge be allowed to sit in the Grand Lodge during the election, which was adopted.

The M. W. Grand Lodge then proceeded to the election of its officers for the ensuing Masonic year.

Brothers W. C. Driver and Julius Aroni were appointed Tellers.

Bro. WM. M. PERKINS was unanimously re-elected, except a few scattering votes, but positively declined.

Bro. EDWARD BARNETT was then elected, with almost an unanimous ballot, but also declined serving.

The Lodge proceeded to the election again, which resulted in the choice of Brother AMOS ADAMS, who immediately appointed Bro. SAM'L M. TODD, Deputy Grand Master.

The following officers were then duly and separately elected to their respective stations :

S. O. SCRUGGS.....	Senior Grand Warden.
A. J. NORWOOD.....	Junior Grand Warden.
STEPHEN C. MICHELL.....	Grand Treasurer.
SAM'L G. RISK.....	Grand Secretary.

On motion, the Most Worshipful Grand Master elect was

authorized and requested to appoint the additional officers of the Grand Lodge, together with six Directors for the Grand Lodge Hall.

The M. W. Grand Master elect, then made the following appointments:

REV. C. S. HEDGES.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
JULIUS ARONI.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
S. P. SOLOMON.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
W. C. DRIVER.....	W. Grand Marshal.
HY. REGENBURG.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
F. M. GOODRICH.....	W. Grand Pursuivant.
L. R. CURTIS.....	W. Grand Steward.
EMMET D. CRAIG.....	“ “
BRUNO DE LUCAS.....	“ “
B. DA SILVA.....	“ “
JOSEPH CHELLET.....	W. Grand Tyler.

*Board of Directors of Grand Lodge Hall.*

WM. M. PERKINS.....	of Marion Lodge, No. 68.
H. R. SWASEY.....	of George Washington Lodge, No. 65.
SAM'L HARBY.....	of Friends of Harmony Lodge, No. 58.
WALTER NICOL.....	of Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 59.
SAM'L M. TODD.....	of Marion Lodge, No. 68.
HARMON DOANE.....	of Louisiana Lodge, No. 102.

On motion of Bro. S. P. Solomon, Bro. John H. Holland was appointed Grand Translator for the ensuing year, at the same salary as he now receives, namely: Fifty Dollars per month.

The M. W. Grand Lodge was then called to Refreshment until to-morrow evening, at half-past five o'clock.

AMOS ADAMS, Deputy Grand Master, *presiding*.  
H. R. SWASEY, Senior Grand Warden, *pro tem*.  
HARMON DOANE, Junior Grand Warden, *pro tem*.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 12, 1858.

The M. W. Grand Lodge was called to labor in the Third Degree, in due form, at 5 o'clock, P. M.

OFFICERS PRESENT:

AMOS ADAMS.....	R. W. Deputy G. Master, <i>presiding</i> .
H. R. SWASEY .....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden, <i>pro tem</i> .
HARMON DOANE.....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden “
R. F. McGUIRE .....	W. Grand Treasurer. “
S. G. RISK .....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
L. H. GARDNER .....	W. Senior Grand Deacon, <i>pro tem</i> .
A. P. DOSTIE.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon. “
W. C. DRIVER.....	W. Grand Marshal.
T. F. HEDGES.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer, <i>pro tem</i> .
C. E. KELLS.....	W. Grand Pursuivant, “
A. P. BEERS.....	W. Grand Steward, “
J. T. WATTS .....	“ “ “
T. W. PEYTON.....	“ “ “
B. F. DILLARD.....	“ “ “
JOS. CHELLET .....	W. Grand Tyler.

The Roll of Lodges being called, the following were represented, viz.: Nos. P. U. 1, P. S. 1, 5, 19, 53, 54, 56, 58, 59, 63, 65, 68, 70, 76, 78, 83, 84, 92, 98, 102, 109, 110, 116, 117, 124, 127, 132, 135, 142, 147. Total, 30 Chartered Lodges.

And the following U. D.: Cherry Ridge and Eastern Star.

The Minutes of the meeting of Feb. 11, 1858, were read and approved.

Illustrious Brother Albert Pike then entered, and being conducted to the East by the Grand Marshal, was introduced to the Grand Lodge by the M. W. Grand Master, and proceeded to deliver a most eloquent address on the principles of Masonry.

[See APPENDIX, pp. 69 to 135.]

Brother L. H. Gardner offered the following Resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be, and are hereby tendered to Brother Albert Pike, for his able and eloquent Address, and that it be published as an appendix to the proceedings of this Grand Lodge, and 1000 copies extra be published in pamphlet form.

The Committee on Credentials submitted the following Report, which was adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

The Committee on Credentials, beg leave to report the following named Brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge:

Brother J. L. Clark, proxy for J. W. Friends of Harmony Lodge, No. 58.

Brother Cotton Henry, " W. M. Hermitage Lodge, No. 98.

Fraternally submitted,

T. F. HEDGES,

B. F. DILLARD.

The M. W. Grand Master, Wm. M. Perkins, then entered, and was appropriately received.

The hour for Installation having arrived, the M. W. Grand Master requested Brother J. W. S. Mitchell, Past Grand Master of Missouri, to instal the officers; who proceeded to, and did instal the following officers for the present Masonic year:

AMOS ADAMS.....	M. W. Grand Master.
S. M. TODD.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
S. O. SCRUGGS.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
A. J. NORWOOD.....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
S. C. MICHELL (per T. W. Peyton, proxy).	W. Grand Treasurer.
S. G. RISK.....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
JULIUS ARONI (per L. H. Gardner, proxy).	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
S. P. SOLOMON (per P. Myers, proxy)....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
W. C. DRIVER.....	W. Grand Marshal.
HY. REGENBURG (per G. P. Evans, proxy).	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
F. M. GOODRICH (per J. E. S. Hough, prox.).	W. Grand Pursuivant.
L. R. CURTIS (per A. P. Dostie, proxy)...	W. Grand Steward.
B. DE LUCAS.....	W. " "
E. D. CRAIG.....	W. " "
B. DA SILVA (per A. R. Morel, proxy)...	W. " "
JOS. CHELLET.....	W. Grand Tyler.

The M. W. Grand Master, Amos Adams, addressed the Grand Lodge in a most feeling manner; tendering thanks for the honor conferred upon him, and exhorting increased vigilance in guarding the principles of our Institution against encroachments of the unworthy—no matter in what shape they may present themselves.

The Grand Secretary then submitted the following Report, which was adopted.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

BRETHREN: In accordance with your instructions, I have used every exertion to obtain positive answers in regard to the Charters of Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, Perseverance Lodge, No. 4, and St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, and would respectfully report specifically the result of my labors in each case.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE, No. 4.—I waited on the Worshipful Master of this Lodge, and demanded his Charter. He informed me that, he would convene his Lodge immediately, and submit the matter to them, and send an

answer to the Grand Lodge as soon as possible thereafter. He also stated, that on Sunday next, would be the earliest day at which he could convene them, and would probably give the result on Monday. He asked this Grand Lodge to withhold any action in regard to himself or Lodge until that time. He further stated that his Lodge had no connexion with any other Masonic Body but the Grand Lodge, and that it would either exist as a Lodge under their jurisdiction, or exist only as an independent body.

I have found it impossible to get an interview with Brother R. Brugier, W. M. of POLAR STAR LODGE, No. 1, having called at his office several times, and not finding him in, left a note for him, which is unanswered.

Brother Lamarre, W. M. of ST. ANDREW LODGE, No. 5, I have also been unable to see, since the passage of your resolution, but would state, that soon after their communication of withdrawal from your jurisdiction was filed in my office, I made the demand for their Charter by order of the M. W. Grand Master; and was then informed by Brother Lamarre, that he could not give it up—that it was paid for by them, and was their property—and their lawyers had advised them not to give it up.

Respectfully, etc.

SAM'L G. RISK,

*Grand Secretary.*

The Committee on Work and Returns of Lodges Under Dispensation, submitted the following Report and Resolutions, which were adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

The Committee on Work and Returns of Lodges Under Dispensation, have had under consideration the returns of the following Lodges U. D., and beg leave further to report:

FILLMORE LODGE.—This Lodge has sent up its Dispensation, Minutes and By-Laws, with a petition for a Charter. The minutes of this Lodge we find, in the main, in accordance with the regulations of this Grand Lodge. A motion to adjourn, however, which is found in the Minutes, is never in order in a Lodge. We also find the Lodge presided over by a W. M. *pro tem.*, which is contrary to ancient usages. In the absence of the W. M. the S. W. presides, but may call to his assistance a P. M.

The code of By-Laws offered contains so many unmasonic provisions, which we cannot approve, that we recommend the Lodge to abolish them altogether, and adopt the standard By-Laws proposed by this Grand Lodge last year, which may be found in its proceedings. Section 2 of Article 1 provides, that in the absence of the Master and Wardens, the brethren present may *appoint* a Master to preside. This is in violation of our regulations; no Lodge can be opened in the absence of the Master and Wardens, as they, in fact, constitute *the Lodge*.

The 5th section of Article 2, authorizes the Lodge to "*elect* one or more delegates to represent it at each regular meeting of the Grand Lodge." None but the *Master* and *Wardens*, or their *proxies*, can represent a Lodge in the Grand Lodge, for of these is the Grand Lodge constituted. Section 1 of Article 4, authorizes the Lodge to judge of *cases of emergency*, to receive petitions and confer *all* three of the degrees at one and the same Communication. They must have forgotten that they were M. M.'s, and have omitted to read Article 13 (Article 2, New Regulation) of the Constitution of this Grand Lodge. No Constituent Lodge, we believe, can make a case of emergency, and four weeks should always intervene between the presenting of the petition and balloting for the degrees; and prudence, we believe, should require the same interval between each degree. Many other unconstitutional provisions are inserted, such as making exceptions in favor of foreigners applying for affiliation without furnishing satisfactory evidence of standing—empowering the Lodge to restore expelled and suspended Masons—suspending from the privileges of Masonry members for non-payment of dues—expelling, with a vote of two-thirds of the members present, in contravention of Article 2, Section 5, New Regulations, Article 11 of the Constitution—allowing an appeal from the decision of the Chair on questions of Order—imposing fines, which this Grand Lodge has declared unmasonic, etc. etc.

ADAISE LODGE.—The Dispensation of this Lodge, which was extended by resolution of this Grand Lodge last year, has been returned, having been unable to organize in consequence of the death and removal of its members.

KISSATCHIE LODGE.—This Lodge has sent in its Dispensation, Minutes and By-Laws. The Minutes are, in general, in conformity to the requirements of this Grand Lodge. The By-Laws contain many unconstitutional provisions. The 2d Section of Article 1 provides that, in electing its



three first officers, although required to be elected by ballot, yet where but *one candidate* is in *nomination*, he may be declared elected without a ballot. This is unmasonic. *Nominating* officers to be chosen by ballot should never be allowed, nor *canvassing* in any manner. We recognize no such anomaly as a *Masonic candidate*. Section 1 of Article 3 allows a P. M. to open the Lodge and preside in the absence of the Master and Wardens, which is wrong. Section 2, Article 5, expels Masons without trial. Section 8, Article 8, suspends members for non-payment of dues. Section 6, Article 8, declares a Mason *guilty* of charges preferred against him, in case he does not appear and answer to the charges. In short, so many and great are the defects in this code of By-Laws, that we cannot approve them, but request the Lodge to adopt our standard code, recommended to Fillmore Lodge.

CHERRY RIDGE LODGE.—The returns and proceedings of this Lodge are correct. They have failed to send their Dispensation and By-Laws. Brother Carr, of that Lodge, has informed us that they were omitted by mistake, and pledges himself to forward them immediately on his return home. He asks for a Charter for the Lodge.

SWAN LAKE LODGE.—This Lodge, which failed to return its proceedings and Dispensation at the last Annual Communication, sent them in in April last. Its returns are to December 31, 1856. No dues were forwarded. A letter from Brother W. L. Knox, explains that their returns were not sent up in time, in consequence of the absence of the Secretary. They ask for a continuance.

MORGANZA LODGE.—This Lodge has sent up its Dispensation, Minutes and By-Laws. The Minutes and By-Laws are in conformity to the requisitions of this Grand Lodge. No list of members or dues accompany the above. A letter from Brother Smith to the Grand Secretary, promises to bring the dues himself, and prays for a continuance of the Dispensation.

LIVINGSTON LODGE.—A petition from John M. Mahony, A. B. Robertson, N. M. Bankston and others, for a new Lodge, to be located in the town of Springfield, Parish of Livingston, to be known under the name and style of Livingston Lodge, is before us, recommended by St. Helena Lodge, No. 96.

LAFOURCHE LODGE.—The brethren to whom this Dispensation was issued have never been able to organize. Brother Mavor, the Master

named in said Dispensation, has removed to another Parish, and united with another Lodge. The Dispensation, we think, should be cancelled.

**BROOKVILLE LODGE.**—A communication from Brother Robert Dean is before us, inquiring whether the Dispensation formerly issued for the establishment of Brookville Lodge, in the Parish of Morehouse, returned in 1854, can be re-issued in the absence of four of the original petitioners.

Your Committee are of opinion that our brethren who wish the organization of a new Lodge in that place, had better petition anew, and ask for a Dispensation to be granted without charge.

We, therefore, offer the following Resolutions, and pray for their adoption.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. S. WASHBURN,  
A. P. DOSTIE,  
JOHN E. S. HOUGH.

*Resolved*, That Charters issue to Fillmore Lodge and Kissatchie Lodge, on their adopting our standard By-Laws, and sending a copy to the Grand Secretary, for the approval of the Grand Master.

*Resolved*, That a Charter be issued for Cherry Ridge Lodge, when it shall have returned its Dispensation and By-Laws.

*Resolved*, That the Dispensations for Swan Lake Lodge and Morganza Lodge, be continued until our next Annual Grand Communication, on their complying with the requisitions of this Grand Lodge.

*Resolved*, That the Dispensation heretofore granted to Adaise Lodge, be hereby cancelled.

*Resolved*, That a Dispensation be issued to the petitioners, recommended by St. Helena Lodge, No. 96, authorizing them to meet and work under the name and style of Livingston Lodge, U. D., until our next Annual Grand Communication.

*Resolved*, That the Grand Secretary be directed to procure the Dispensation issued to Lafourche Lodge, and cancel the same.

*Resolved*, That such brethren, living in the vicinity of the late Brookville Lodge, (never organized,) as are desirous of establishing a new Lodge, shall, on sending up a petition, duly recommended, be entitled to receive a Dispensation without charge.

The Committee on Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges offered the following Report and Resolutions, which were adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

BRETHREN : The Committee to whom was referred the Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges, most respectfully submit the following Report, viz :

That we have examined carefully all the returns laid before us, and find that the following named Lodges have made their returns and paid their dues according to the requirements of the Constitution :

Perfect Union.....	No. 1	Bellevue .....	No. 95
Polar Star .....	1	St. Helena.....	96
Concorde .....	3	Hermitage .....	98
Perseverance .....	4	Henderson .....	99
Los Amigos del Orden....	5	Franklinton .....	101
Humble Cottage.....	19	Louisiana .....	102
St. Albans.....	28	Cloutierville.....	103
Feliciana.....	31	Vienna.....	106
Phoenix .....	38	Sparta .....	108
Foyer Maçonnique.....	44	Castor.....	109
Jackson .....	45	Harrisonburg.....	110
Germania .....	46	Urim.....	111
Providence.....	50	Bartholomew .....	112
Minden.....	51	Shreveport.....	115
Olive .....	52	Acacia .....	116
Union Fraternal.....	53	Milford.....	117
Mount Gerizim.....	54	Constantine.....	119
Lafayette .....	56	Deerfield .....	120
Franklin.....	57	Mackey .....	122
Mount Moriah.....	59	Liberty.....	123
Friends of Harmony.....	58	Kellertown .....	124
Tunica .....	63	Pearl River.....	125
George Washington.....	65	Arcadia.....	126
Dudley .....	66	Spring Hill.....	127
Marion .....	68	Huntington .....	141
Hiram .....	70	Hope.....	145
Alpha.....	72	Ocean.....	144
Quitman .....	76	Solomon .....	130
Mount Moriah.....	77	Warren .....	132

Orleans .....	78	Gordy.....	133
St. Joseph.....	79	Harry Hill.....	134
De Witt Clinton .....	80	Plains .....	135
Mount Vernon.....	83	Jeffersonian .....	138
Oliver.....	84	Houma.....	139
Lafayette .....	87	Home.....	142
Cypress .....	89	Anacoco .....	147
Thibodeaux Benevolent....	90	Silent Brotherhood.....	146
Monticello.....	92		

The returns of the following Lodges we find incorrect, and they have also omitted to remit the amounts due this Grand Lodge :

Sabine.....No.	75	D'Arbonne .....	No. 128
Many .....	88	Athens.....	136
Taylor.....	100	Downsville.....	143
Thomas Jefferson.....	113	Red Land.....	148
Friendship .....	114		

Returns of the following Lodges who have omitted the signatures of the Officers, and in many cases the seals have been omitted :

St. Albans.....No.	28	Lafayette.....No.	56
Germania .....	46	Mount Vernon.....	83
Olive .....	52	Louisiana.....	102
Shreveport .....	115	Spring Hill.....	127
Solomon .....	130	Harry Hill.....	134
Huntington .....	141	Red Land.....	148
Sabine .....	75	Many .....	88
Downsville.....	143	Cloutierville.....	103

Your Committee have had much pleasure in examining the returns of the following Lodges :

Concorde.....No.	3	Thomas Jefferson.....No.	113
Feliciana .....	31	Acacia.....	116
Marion .....	68	Home.....	142
Mount Moriah.....	59		

The correctness and neatness which they exhibited show that their respective Secretaries appreciated and performed their several duties in a manner creditable to themselves and the Lodges to which they are attached, and are models well worthy of imitation.

The Committee find quite a number of Lodges that have balances standing against them, and if not collected will certainly accumulate to a very large amount. The Committee thereby strongly recommend that the Grand Secretary be instructed to notify the said Lodges of their indebtedness, and if not paid, some immediate action be taken on them.

BELLEVUE LODGE, No. 95, has, by a resolution, returned her Charter, and, in compliance with said resolution, this Committee recommend that the Grand Secretary be instructed to grant Demits to those Brethren of said Lodge who are at present in good standing. And also that the Grand Secretary be authorized to demand of the Worshipful Master of said Lodge all the Books, Papers, Jewels, and everything appertaining thereto, in order that he may comply with this resolution.

PLEASANT HILL LODGE, No. 86.—Your Committee has had under consideration the several communications from the members of this Lodge, and would respectfully offer for your adoption the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Most Worshipful Grand Master be requested to empower some Brother near that Lodge to demand from the late Master of said Lodge, the Charter, Books, Papers, Jewels, and all effects; and that the Grand Master be authorized to draw a warrant to pay the necessary expenses attending the same.

JOPPA LODGE, No. 74.—This Lodge, which has surrendered her Charter, and whose Books and Papers were destroyed by fire on the steamer Col. Edwards, your Committee would recommend that the Grand Secretary be authorized to grant Demits of good standing to all such members as may satisfy him that they are entitled to the same.

LIVONIA LODGE, No. 91.—Your Committee would recommend that the surrender of its Charter be accepted, and that the Grand Secretary be ordered to grant Demits to all members of said Lodge in good standing.

DE SOTO LODGE, No. 55.—Your Committee would recommend that this Lodge be granted time, until our next Annual Grand Communication, for balance of her dues.

TAYLOR LODGE, No. 100.—Your Committee has had under consideration the correspondence laid before them as regards Taylor Lodge, and have carefully considered the same; and it is the firm opinion of this Committee, that the further existence of their Charter will be of no benefit to the Fraternity or themselves, and do recommend that their Charter be forfeited, and would offer for your adoption the following Resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Charter of Taylor Lodge, No. 100, be and hereby is declared forfeited, and the Grand Secretary be requested to demand from the Worshipful Master of said Lodge, the Charter, Books, Papers, Jewels, etc., of the said Lodge.

IBERVILLE LODGE, No. 81.—With regard to this Lodge, which has failed to comply with the promise made to the Grand Master, to make their returns faithfully at this Annual Grand Communication, we would move the adoption of the following Resolution :

*Resolved*, That as the Charter of this Lodge has been forfeited, the Grand Secretary be directed to demand of the Worshipful Master, all the Books, Papers, Jewels, Furniture, etc., together with the Special Dispensation of said Lodge, without delay.

MURRAY LODGE, No. 137.—This Lodge has returned her Charter, and your Committee would recommend that it be accepted, and the G. Secretary be authorized to grant demits of good standing to all its members clear of its books; and we offer for your adoption the following Resolution :

*Resolved*, That the W. Master of Oliver Lodge, No. 84, be authorized to collect the dues of Murray Lodge, No. 137, which are due and owing to the Grand Lodge, the same to be made out by the Grand Secretary; and that Oliver Lodge, No. 84, be authorized to retain of the amount collected, the sum of One Hundred Dollars, which amount being due for rent of Lodge Room.

In regard to that part of the Grand Secretary's Report which alludes to the forfeiture of certain Charters not specially noticed by us, and which have been so frequently alluded to by the Grand Secretary in former reports, your Committee would recommend that the Grand Master be requested to take some special measures, and offer for your consideration the following Resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Grand Master be requested to appoint Special Deputies, or take such other measures as he may think proper, to cause a direct personal demand to be made upon those who may have the Charters, Moneys or Property

belonging to this Grand Lodge in their possession; and in default of compliance, that necessary steps be taken to proceed against them Masonically, and that he be authorized to draw warrants for any necessary expenses incurred.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

PHILIP MYERS,  
H. R. SWASEY,  
W. T. COX.

The following Special Report, addressed to the Grand Master, from G. W. Jelks, on the case of Napoleon Lodge, No. 94, was then read, and on motion, referred to the Committee on Chartered Lodges :

*To WM. M. PERKINS, G. M. of the M. W. Grand Lodge  
of the State of Louisiana :*

In obedience to an order to me directed, to proceed to Napoleon Lodge, to take possession of the Books, Papers, Charter, etc., of said Lodge, for and in the name of the Grand Lodge, I proceeded to Spring Hill, in the Parish of Union, where said Napoleon Lodge was located, sometime about August last, and demanded of the late W. M. of said Lodge all the property and funds of the same, when the Charter was delivered, but the books and funds were withheld.

Sometime thereafter I received a letter from Benj. Ford, the late W. M. of Napoleon Lodge, informing me that the objections to deliver up the books and funds of the Lodge were withdrawn, whereupon, I again proceeded to the said place, to take possession thereof; but again was disappointed in part, by the late Secretary, James M. Turner, refusing to hand over the funds of the Lodge, so that I only received the books—which books and Charter of said Lodge I have delivered to the W. Grand Secretary.

Several of the members of the said Lodge, have requested me to receive the amounts due by them to the Lodge, which I have received, and given them receipts, and am ready to pay over to the Grand Secretary. The

funds of said Lodge, and the jewels are, as yet, in possession of the members of the same.

All of which is hereby respectfully submitted.

G. W. JELKS.

A petition from the officers of Napoleon Lodge, No. 94, asking to have their Charter revived and returned them, was then read, and on motion, referred to the Committee on Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges.

The Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances, submitted the following Reports and Resolutions, which were separately read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances, have had before them the action of MARION LODGE, No. 68, on the accusations against thirty-one members of Foyer Maçonnique Lodge, No. 44, referred to that Lodge for trial at the last Annual Grand Communication. Your Committee cannot approve the action of Marion Lodge in all it did. In the opinion of your Committee, Marion Lodge did right in expelling five members of said Foyer Maçonnique Lodge, but, in their opinion, there was as good ground for expelling most of the others as for the five which they did expel, namely : an open defiance of the rights of this Grand Lodge, and a palpable violation of their Masonic obligations, and which they have continued in even to the present moment, with the exception of Prothers P. Brugier, Jos. Barnes, Angelo Ceccanti, J. B. Capdeau, L. Guillebeau, S. Levy, B. Macera, Jean Jean, and A. Alonzo, who, it seems, really had no part in the unmasonic acts, or whose names were forged or obtained under false pretences, to the insulting documents presented to the Grand Lodge at its last Annual Grand Communication. They, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved,* That the action of Marion Lodge, No. 68, in expelling F. Botto, A. D. Broué, J. Duboy, J. H. Nequelona, J. T. D. Lefevre, and A. C. Provost, be approved, and that the remaining action of said Lodge in merely reprimanding or acquitting the following, namely : A. Delesparre, P. Roueche, A. D. Jacquet, J. Chattard, E. Cailler, A. Radat, D. Larroque, B. Sansone, A. Haurut, J. B. Frank,



G. Dandue, J. Lapeyrollerie, V. Lapeyrollerie, F. Camors, and J. N. Curien, be rejected, and that they are hereby expelled from the Fraternity and all the rights of Masonry.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
B. F. DILLARD,  
H. REGENBURG,  
G. W. JELKS,  
JAMES B. SCOT.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances, have had under consideration the action of Ocean Lodge, No. 144, on the charges against Bro. J. J. E. Massicot, Past Grand Secretary of this Grand Lodge, he being charged in substance with having assisted in constituting and organizing a spurious and clandestine Lodge, called Foyer Maçonnique Lodge, No. 4, in violation of his Masonic obligations, and disapprove of the result of said action in acquitting him. They afterwards reconsidered the vote of acquittal, and struck his name from the roll. They find, from a document exhibited to them, that the said Massicot did, as one of the officers of a body styling itself the Supreme Council of the 33d degree of the Ancient and Accepted Rite, arrogate to himself with others, the right of constituting said Lodge, and of granting a document purporting to be a Charter for a Symbolic Lodge, which facts seem to have been fully proved, and in consequence he merits Masonic punishment; and therefore, your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved,* That Past Grand Secretary Brother J. J. E. Massicot, be expelled from the Order and all the rights and privileges of Masons.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
JAMES B. SCOT,  
G. W. JELKS,  
B. F. DILLARD,  
H. REGENBURG.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances, have examined the complaint of C. M. Carstle against Dr. Jones, Plains Lodge, No. 135, and Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 77, and find nothing requiring any action of this Grand Lodge. It is the opinion of your Committee, that so long as Masons remain unaffiliated, they should settle their private difficulties with each other outside of a Lodge.

Your Committee find a bill of Marion Lodge, No. 68, for expenses incurred in the trial of certain members of Foyer Maçonnique Lodge, No. 44, amounting to \$47 50, and recommend that it be paid.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
G. W. JELKS,  
H. REGENBURG,  
A. J. NORWOOD,  
JAMES B. SCOT,  
W. L. DE GRAFFENRIEDT.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances, have had under consideration the complaint of John Agnew against Constantine Lodge, No. 119—having been expelled for slander. We find nothing irregular in the proceedings, and though the punishment may have been rather severe, yet we cannot very well interfere, and recommend that the appeal be dismissed, as the Brother suspended can be re-instated by the Grand Lodge, whenever a majority of the Lodge shall recommend it.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
A. J. NORWOOD,  
G. W. JELKS,  
H. REGENBURG,  
JAMES B. SCOT,  
W. L. DE GRAFFENRIEDT.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances, have had under consideration the appeal of A. Livingston against the action of Mount Gerizim Lodge, No. 54. We find that he was improperly suspended, because on his failing to attend a certain meeting of the Lodge,

to which he was summoned, and failing to do so. he was, by motion, suspended indefinitely and without a regular trial. To be sure, he was notified that he would be suspended if he did not attend that meeting; the Lodge, however, could not thus summarily proceed. We, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the suspension of A. Livingston, by Mount Gerizim Lodge, No. 54, be reversed, and the case remanded for proceedings according to our Constitution.

Respectfully and Fraternaly submitted.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
G. W. JELKS,  
A. J. NORWOOD,  
JAMES B. SCOT,  
H. REGENBURG,  
W. L. DE GRAFFENRIEDT.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances, have again had under consideration the complaint of Bro. Allen Green, and which was referred back to the Lodge for a new trial. It seems no trial has been had. The Lodge (Vienna, No. 106,) though censured last year, it seems, has not profited by it. It is hard upon Bro. Green to remain suspended, and that too without a trial. We, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following Resolution:

*Resolved*, That Vienna Lodge, No. 106, be required to try the charges within three months after the notice of this Resolution, and on their failure so to do, the charges be dismissed, and Bro. Green relieved therefrom.

Respectfully and Fraternaly submitted.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
A. J. NORWOOD,  
G. W. JELKS,  
H. REGENBURG,  
JAMES B. SCOT,  
W. L. DE GRAFFENRIEDT.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances, have had under consideration the following subjects, and report as follows:

On the complaint of De Soto Lodge, No. 55, and her request for remission of Grand Lodge Hall Tax, reduction of dues, etc., find that this is a subject which little concerns your Committee. It is the duty of the Lodge to collect its own revenues, (dues, etc.,) and to deal with delinquents as the Constitution points out. If mistakes have been made in the returns, these can be corrected by the Grand Secretary.

In the papers accompanying the appeal of J. B. Williams, against the action of Lafayette Lodge, No. 87, we find no testimony in the case, and advise that the testimony be taken contradictorily with the accused, and returned to the Grand Lodge for examination.

Acacia Lodge, No. 116, complains of the action of Quitman Lodge, in recommending the application for the Dispensation for Perkins Lodge, at Donaldsonville, and that of the Grand Master in granting the same, Quitman Lodge not being the nearest Lodge. They desire a definition of the words "*most convenient*," in Article 12, Section 10, of the Constitution. Your Committee are of the opinion that the phrase "*most convenient*," is not synonymous with "*nearest*," yet where there is a considerable difference in the distance to the places of location of Lodges, the nearest should always be selected. This case, however, appears to require no further action than this expression of opinion.

The application of Phoenix Lodge, No. 38, for the reinstatement of Bro. Thomas E. De Russy, who had been indefinitely suspended, we recommend to be granted.

We, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions :

*Resolved*, That Lafayette Lodge, No. 87, be directed to take the testimony in the case of J. B. Williams, contradictorily with the accused, and transmit the same to the Grand Secretary.

*Resolved* That Thomas E. De Russy be restored to all the rights and privileges of the Order.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
A. J. NORWOOD,  
G. W. JELKS,  
H. REGENBURG,  
JAMES B. SCOT,  
W. L. DE GRAFFENRIEDT.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on General Purposes, etc., have had under consideration the appeal of Geo. Pandelly against the action of Orleans Lodge, No. 78, suspending him for one year for failing to pay \$21, the amount of his arrears for dues. The accused claimed an offset for services as Secretary, and said he would pay any balance against him after allowing him for his services. It appears from the books that he served as Secretary five meetings. The By-Laws allowed one dollar *per* night. This would leave him indebted to the Lodge \$16. They, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following Resolution :

*Resolved*, That on the payment by Bro. Geo. Pandelly, to Orleans Lodge, No. 78, of the sum of sixteen dollars, he be reinstated in full fellowship, and the vote of suspension be annulled ; otherwise that it remain in full force and effect.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
A. J. NORWOOD,  
G. W. JELKS,  
H. REGENBURG.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances, have had under consideration the withdrawal from the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, of Perseverance Lodge, No. 4, and St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, in a body, and a portion of the members of Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, and Foyer Maçonique Lodge, No. 44. They have also considered the action of several Brethren, who have for several years remained unaffiliated among us, and of some who stand expelled or suspended, or were made in clandestine Lodges, and have never been healed, in raising up the standard of rebellion against the inalienable rights and powers of this Grand Lodge ; in denying the exclusive jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge over the three symbolic degrees in the State of Louisiana ; in reviling its practices and principles ; in attempting, in various ways, to bring it into disrepute—and in invading its rightful jurisdiction, by attempting to establish Symbolic Lodges in this State. We do not, therefore, think that any Masonic intercourse should be held with such Brethren :

*Resolved*, That all Masonic intercourse be, and is hereby strictly forbidden with any Mason who does not acknowledge his duty of obedience, when within our

jurisdiction, to this Grand Lodge, and the Lodges of this jurisdiction are hereby ordered to strike from their roll of members all such Masons.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
G. W. JELKS,  
H. REGENBURG,  
JAMES B. SCOT,  
A. J. NORWOOD.

The W. Grand Secretary announced a communication from Bro. Heunisch, in regard to action of Grand Officers in the case of Ocean Lodge, No. 144, *vs.* J. J. E. Massicot, which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced the following

*Standing Committee on Foreign Correspondence.*

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, EDWARD BARNETT, and A. G. CARTER.

The following amendments to the "By-Laws or General Regulations" were then submitted and read, and laid over until to-morrow evening.

Bros. J. Q. A. Fellows and J. B. Scot offered the following :

Strike out all after the word "*Regulations*" in the last sentence of Section 3, of Article 2, of Chapter 1, of the By-Laws.

Insert in third line, Section 7, Article 2 of Chapter 1, "*eighty dollars,*" in lieu of "*twenty dollars.*"

Insert at end of Art. 4, Chap. 1, of By-Laws, or General Regulations :

SEC. 8. Should any Lodge of this jurisdiction, or Brother, or number of Brethren, at any time renounce their allegiance to this Grand Lodge, or openly resist the Constitution, Regulations or Edicts of this Grand Lodge, the Grand Master shall, during the recess of the Grand Lodge, suspend such Lodge, Brother or Brethren from all their Masonic rights and privileges until the next Annual Grand Communication, when, on

proof of the act for which the order of suspension was made, the Grand Lodge may inflict such Masonic punishment, or make such decree, as two-thirds of those present shall deem the case to require.

*Resolved*, That the words "*required by the Chartered Lodges*," in the first line of Section 11, of Article 1, of Chapter 2 of the By-Laws or General Regulations, be stricken out, and the words "*required of Chartered Lodges*" substituted in lieu thereof.

Substitute for Sec. 4, Art. 2 of Chap. 2, By-Laws, etc. :

SEC. 4. A separate ballot shall be required for each Degree, and if the ballot be favorable it shall entitle the applicant to receive the Degree for which he was balloted, but no Degree after the First shall be conferred until the applicant shall have proved himself, by examination in open Lodge, to be well versed and proficient in the Degree or Degrees which he may have taken, the ballot for advancement to be taken immediately after the examination.

Insert in Section 4, Article 3, Chapter 2 of By-Laws, etc., after the words "*testimony heard*," in the second line, the words, "*of the witnesses named, and of such others as may have been discovered*."

Insert in Section 2, Article 1, Chapter 3 of the By-Laws, etc., in the second line, after the words "*other members*," the words "*three of whom shall be Masters of Lodges*."

Strike out of Section 6, Article 1, Chapter 3, all the words after the words "*general good*."

Bro. W. C. Driver offered the following :

Substitute for Section 4, Article 2 of Chapter 2 :

The ballot, if favorable on the application, shall only entitle the candidate to receive the Degree of E. A., but it shall be the duty of the W. M., immediately after the examination of a candidate as to his proficiency, in open Lodge, to order a ballot to be cast, and if one negative ballot appear, he shall not apply for the Degree for one month. At the end of said time the W. M. may order another ballot to be cast ; if the candidate be again refused, he shall not apply for the space of six months thereafter. Nor shall any two Degrees be conferred on a Brother at one and the same Communication unless dispensation be had from the G. M. for that purpose.

Bro. B. da Silva offered the following :

Strike out of second line Section 1, Article 2, Chapter 3, the words "*is hereby perpetuated.*"

Bro. A. S. Washburn offered the following :

Strike out of third line of Section 7, Article 2, Chapter 1, the words "*one hundred and twenty,*" and insert "*two hundred.*"

Bro. E. D. Craig offered the following :

Strike out of third, fourth and fifth lines Section 7, Article 2, Chapter 2, all the following words: "*in any other Lodge than the one in which he first applied, without receiving the recommendation of at least five members of the Lodge by which he was rejected, two of whom must be of the three first Officers.*"

Insert in last sentence of Section 3, Article 2, Chapter 1, in lieu of "*twelve hundred,*" "*fifteen hundred,*" and strike out all after the word "*Regulations.*"

The M. W. Grand Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment, until to-morrow evening at 6 o'clock.

AMOS ADAMS, Grand Master.

COTTON HENRY, Sen. Grand Warden, *pro tem.*

A. J. NORWOOD, Junior Grand Warden.



NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 13, 1858.

The M. W. Grand Lodge was called to labor in the Third Degree, in ample form, at 6 o'clock, P. M.

OFFICERS PRESENT:

AMOS ADAMS.....	M. W. Grand Master.
S. M. TODD.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
COTTON HENRY.....	R. W. Senior G. Warden, <i>pro tem.</i>
A. J. NORWOOD.....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
S. C. MICHELL.....	W. Grand Treasurer.
S. G. RISK.....	W. Grand Secretary.
L. H. GARDNER.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon, <i>pro tem.</i>
S. P. SOLOMON.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
W. C. DRIVER.....	W. Grand Marshal.
HY. REGENBURG.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
A. P. DOSTIE.....	W. Grand Pursuivant, <i>pro tem.</i>
B. DA SILVA.....	W. Grand Steward.
E. D. CRAIG.....	“ “
T. W. PEYTON.....	“ “ <i>pro tem.</i>
C. P. SKINNER.....	“ “
JOS. CHELLET.....	W. Grand Tyler.

A roll of Lodges being called, the following were represented, viz: Nos. P. U. 1, P. S. 1, 3, 5, 19, 44, 45, 46, 52, 53, 54, 58, 61, 65, 66, 68, 70, 76, 78, 83, 84, 92, 98, 102, 103, 109, 110, 111, 117, 132, 134, 142, 146. Total, 33 Chartered Lodges.

The M. W. Grand Master appointed Bro. C. Laffon on the Committee on Credentials, in lieu of Bro. B. F. Dillard, who had left for home.

The Committee on Credentials then reported as follows, which was adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following Brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge :

Bro. W. H. Slack, proxy for W. M. of Silent Brotherhood Lodge, No. 146.

“ J. S. Beers, “ “ “ Olive Lodge, No. 52.

Respectfully and Fraternally,

J. M. BOCKIUS,

C. LAFFON,

T. F. HEDGES.

The Committee on Chartered Lodges submitted the following Report and Resolutions, which were read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Chartered Lodges, to whom was referred the Petition of certain members of Napoleon Lodge, No. 94, whose Charter was cancelled at the last Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge, beg leave to report, that they have considered the whole subject very carefully, and are of opinion that their request should be granted, the Charter revived and returned to said Lodge. The Committee also beg leave to offer the following Resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to draw a warrant on the Grand Treasurer for the sum of Fifty Dollars, in favor of Bro. G. W. Jelks, to reimburse him for expenses incurred in the above duty.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

PHILIP MYERS,

H. R. SWASEY.

The M. W. Grand Master, Amos Adams, submitted an additional Report from the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, [see APPENDIX, p. 62,] accompanied by the following Resolutions :

1. *Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge hails with unfeigned pleasure the Grand Lodge of Canada, of which Wm. M. Wilson is Grand Master, and

Thomas B. Harris is Grand Secretary, into the family of Independent Grand Lodges, and extends to her the right hand of fellowship.

2. *Resolved*, That we greet with heartfelt satisfaction the Independent Grand Lodge of Nebraska, and extend to her the right hand of fellowship.

On motion of Bro. A. Pike, the resolution in regard to Canada was adopted.

Bro. J. Q. A. Fellows moved the adoption of the second, which was carried.

The Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances, submitted the following Reports and Resolutions, which were separately read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on General Purposes, Appeals, etc., to whom was referred the case of Lisbon Lodge, No. 121 *vs.* Pleasant Traylor, being an appeal from the decision of the Lodge by P. Traylor, have carefully examined the proceedings had in that case, and find that the proceedings of said Lodge in the trial of the case, have not been in accordance with the Constitution and Masonic Usages. The accused being a Fellow Craft Mason, the testimony was taken in a Fellow Craft Lodge, which was proper and right, but the balloting on the case was also had in the same Lodge. This your Committee think irregular. The Lodge should have been opened in the Master's Degree after the testimony was heard and the arguments had, in order to take the ballots in the case.

By examination of the testimony in this case, your Committee has come to the conclusion that the accused should have been discharged, and that it would have been more proper to prefer charges against Fuller, his accuser.

We would, therefore, recommend the following Resolution :

*Resolved*, That the decision of Lisbon Lodge, in the case of Lisbon Lodge *vs.* P. Traylor be reversed, and that the case be remanded for a new trial.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
H. REGENBURG,  
JAMES B. SCOT,  
W. L. DE GRAFFENRIEDT,  
G. W. JELKS,  
B. F. DILLARD.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances, have had before them an informal application for reinstatement of James Lester, of the late Independence Lodge, suspended by action of the M. W. Grand Lodge, at its last Annual Grand Communication ; and of Charles Absent, of the late Napoleon Lodge, also suspended by action of the M. W. Grand Lodge.

These applications, although not in regular form, come so recommended that your Committee would respectfully recommend the adoption of the following Resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Worshipful Grand Secretary, on receiving a regular recommendation from Lafayette Lodge, No. 56, for the reinstatement of James Lester, and of Napoleon Lodge, No. 94, for the reinstatement of Charles Absent, be authorized to grant certificates of good standing to both.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
H. REGENBURG,  
W. L. DE GRAFFENRIEDT,  
G. W. JELKS,  
JAMES B. SCOT,  
B. F. DILLARD.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances, have had before them the proceedings and papers sent up by Bellevue Lodge, in the case of Bellevue Lodge, No. 95 *vs.* L. Rathbun, who appeals from a sentence of indefinite suspension for gross unmasonic conduct, and after a careful examination, find that the proceedings of the Lodge in this case have been regular, and that there is nothing in the evidence to justify an interference with the decision.

We also find a recommendation from the said Lodge for the reinstatement of J. R. Miles, who was indefinitely suspended on the 18th March, A. D. 1854. The recommendation comes in regular form and should be granted.

We would, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions :

1. *Resolved*, That J. R. Miles be, and he hereby is reinstated to all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

2. *Resolved*, That the decision of Bellevue Lodge, No. 95, in the case of Bellevue Lodge vs. L. Rathbun, be affirmed.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
H. REGENBURG,  
W. L. DE GRAFFENRIEDT,  
JAMES B. SCOT,  
G. W. JELKS,  
B. F. DILLARD.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances, have examined the papers and proceedings in the case of Olive Lodge, No. 52 vs. R. A. Jackson, who appeals from a sentence of indefinite suspension, on the charge of unmasonic conduct.

The proceedings in this case seem to have been regular, and your Committee find nothing in the testimony on file, to justify an interference with the action and decision of the Lodge.

We would, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following Resolution :

*Resolved*, That the decision of Olive Lodge, No. 52, in the case of Olive Lodge, No. 52 vs. R. A. Jackson, be affirmed.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
H. REGENBURG,  
JAMES B. SCOT,  
G. W. JELKS,  
W. L. DE GRAFFENRIEDT,  
B. F. DILLARD.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances, have before them a petition from E. Peroncel, who was suspended by Joppa Lodge, No. 74, in the year 1856, for non-payment of dues.

The books and papers of Joppa Lodge, being supposed to have been destroyed by the burning of the steamboat Colonel Edwards, your Committee have no exact data before them. The petitioner makes a strong *prima facie* showing that Joppa Lodge was indebted to him at the time

of his suspension in the sum of seventeen dollars and fifty cents, which also is corroborated by the verbal statement of one of the late members of Joppa Lodge. If the amount of his dues at the time of his suspension did not exceed the amount due him, the sentence of suspension was clearly wrong. It is uncertain whether this ever can be ascertained. We would, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That E. Peroncel, who was suspended by the late Joppa Lodge, No. 74, be re-instated to all the rights and privileges of Masonry, and that the Grand Secretary be authorized to give him a certificate of good standing.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
H. REGENBURG,  
W. L. DE GRAFFENRIEDT,  
G. W. JELKS,  
JAMES B. SCOT,  
B. F. DILLARD.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances, have had under consideration, the complaint made by Brother Heunisch, W. M. of Concorde Lodge, No. 3, and the statement of certain rumors, in effect, charging Past Grand Master Wm. M. Perkins, Brother Grand Secretary Samuel G. Risk, and Past Grand Secretary Edward Barnett, with acts of intimidation, threats, etc., etc., against the members of Ocean Lodge, No. 144, at the time of the trial in that Lodge of J. J. E. Massicot. We have examined the Letter Book of the Grand Master, and the Minute Book of Ocean Lodge.

If the members of Ocean Lodge had any cause of complaint, from our knowledge of the integrity, firmness and good sense of the members of that Lodge, we feel satisfied they would have made them known to the Grand Lodge, with the certainty that their complaints would have received all due consideration, and there could have been no reason for any one not a member of that Lodge to have brought up a complaint, founded upon mere idle rumor, the origin or truth of which the complainant does not even pretend to know. That they are groundless, the result of the action of Ocean Lodge, No. 144, in the case of J. J. E. Massicot, pretty clearly shows, and the action of the Grand Lodge during the present Communication renders unnecessary, in the opinion of your Committee, any further

proceedings. Your Committee, therefore, ask to be discharged from the further consideration of this subject.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
A. J. NORWOOD,  
H. REGENBURG,  
JAMES B. SCOT,  
G. W. JELKS,  
W. L. DE GRAFFENRIEDT.

The majority of the Special Committee, to whom was referred the Communication from the "Grand Consistory" of Louisiana, submitted the following Report :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee, to whom was referred a certain memorial or decree from the G. . Consistory of Louisiana, have given the same that serious consideration which its great importance demands, and offer for your consideration the following Resolutions, which embody their conclusions on the subject :

1. *Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, of which Brother Amos Adams is Most Worshipful Grand Master, and Brother Samuel G. Risk is Worshipful Grand Secretary, is the sole, legal and supreme governing power of Symbolic Masonry in the State of Louisiana, and as such, is now recognized by all Masonic jurisdictions throughout the world; and all true Masons, within this jurisdiction, owe to her obedience.

2. *Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, extend the right hand of Masonic amity and friendship to all the legal governing bodies of the higher degrees of Masonry of whatever Rite.

3. *Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge of Louisiana will grant Charters and Dispensations to hold Symbolic Lodges, and work in the various languages prevalent in our State and jurisdiction, so long as such Lodges recognize the supremacy of the Grand Lodge, and do not violate the Landmarks or Constitutions as understood and practiced by this Grand Lodge since its organization in 1812, and comply with the General Regulations, which may from time to time be made.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

H. R. SWASEY,  
AMOS ADAMS.

Bro. J. Q. A. Fellows then moved the adoption of the first resolution, which was carried; and of the second resolution, which was also carried. He also moved the adoption of the third resolution, when

Bro. Albert Pike moved to amend by inserting after the word "*languages*" the following words: "*and according to the forms;*" which was adopted.

The third resolution was then adopted as amended.

Bro. S. M. Todd, on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Grand Lodge Hall, submitted the following Report, which was, on motion, adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

BRETHREN: The duties devolving upon us as Directors of the GRAND LODGE HALL, appointed at the close of your last Annual Grand Communication, require that a statement of the transactions performed by us should be formally submitted to your consideration and approval.

The nature of the objects contemplated by your Body in the original purchase of the property placed under our direction, has been so fully laid before you in the Report of the first Board appointed by you, that we deem it entirely superfluous to enter into any discussion of those objects, or the concomitant results eventuating from their full and perfect consummation.

It is sufficient for us to state, that on entering upon the performance of our duties, we found that our labors would be simply to direct and control the affairs of the property submitted to our charge. This position of affairs, we are pleased to say, was caused by the prompt and efficient manner in which the President of the Board, Bro. Wm. M. Perkins, our Grand Master, had so prudently and economically carried out the instructions of this Grand Lodge two years ago, in securing the assumption of the original obligations given by you for the payment of this property, and the extension of payments to such periods as the means could control.

Your Board can only look with hope to a fulfilment of the obligation binding on each Lodge to perform its part of the contract by paying up their dues, etc., in order that we may cancel our indebtedness.



The total amount of our mortgage indebtedness now is \$24,485; of which there is due 1—4 March, 1858, \$12,000, and on 1—4 March, 1859, \$12,485.

To meet the payment on 4th March ensuing, we have already, in cash, in hands of Treasurer and Secretary, \$9,315 98, leaving a deficit of \$2,684 02.

This balance will doubtless be made up from the Lodges who have not yet paid their dues.

Your Board have no time to comment upon the honor which is due to the Subordinate Lodges of this State for the promptness with which they have fulfilled their duties in this noble work. Suffice it to say, that, with *one single exception*, the requirements of your Body have been fully complied with, and the amounts as fully paid as the individual treasuries of each, from time to time, would enable them.

We would, however, call your attention to the fact, that every available dollar of funds in your treasury, and which can be positively depended on by the 1—4 of March next, will be absorbed in the accomplishment of this object, leaving the deficit of all your incidental expenses of the year to be provided for.

These expenses are embraced in the salaries of your Officers, the printing of your proceedings, and other expenses incidental to your present Communication.

From the Report of your Grand Secretary, it appears that many Lodges have made returns but paid no dues, and many have neither made returns nor paid dues. From this source some means will doubtless be received, but your Board sincerely express the hope that all who are thus deficient will see the imperative necessity of immediately performing their part in this noble enterprize, and of relieving your Executive Officers from the embarrassing and unpleasant situation of being unable to meet your own contracted expenses.

Let every Lodge then which has not paid her dues immediately transmit them, or at least as much as they can, and thus retrieve their present unenviable position.

Your Board have but one change to report in the various leases of the lower story of the building. They have extended the lease of Mr.

McClosky, which expires November 1, 1858, for the space of three years from that time, at the same rent, of \$1200 per annum.

Respectfully, etc.

SAM'L M. TODD,  
*for the Board.*

The Minutes of the meeting of February 12, were then read and approved.

Bro. J. H. Holland moved for permission to file an appeal in the case of Bro. Didier Broué, expelled by Marion Lodge, No. 68, and confirmed by this Grand Lodge, which was lost.

Bro. Holland then moved that this Grand Lodge, of itself, grant said Broué a re-hearing, which was also lost.

Bro. L. H. Gardner offered the following Resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, That a Committee of Three be appointed by the M. W. Grand Master, to provide and prepare against the next Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge, an appropriate testimonial to our Past Grand Master, Wm. M. Perkins, as a mark of the esteem we bear him, as a man and as a Mason.

The following Communication was then read:

In the name of MARION LODGE, No. 68, the successor of "POINSETT, No. 39," its Representatives in this Grand Lodge, present to it the Portraits of two distinguished men and eminent Masons, GEORGE WASHINGTON and JOEL R. PAINSETT.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, W. M.,  
THOS. F. HEDGES, S. W.,  
A. P. BEERS, J. W.

On motion of Bro. Sam'l G. Risk, the portraits were accepted, and the Grand Secretary instructed to address a communication of thanks to Marion Lodge, No. 68.

Bro. Da Silva moved that the sum of Fifty Dollars be

appropriated to Bro. M. Vidal, Assistant Grand Secretary, he being now in very bad health, which was carried.

On motion of Bro. A. Pike, the amendments offered last session to the "*By-Laws and General Regulations*," were then taken up as follows :

By Bro. E. D. Craig—

Insert in last sentence of Section 3, Article 2, Chapter 1, in lieu of "*Twelve Hundred Dollars*," "*Fifteen Hundred Dollars*," and strike out all after the word "*Regulations*."

Which was adopted.

By Bro. A. S. Washburn—

Strike out of third line, Section 7, Article 2, Chapter 1, the words "*One Hundred and Twenty*," and insert "*Two Hundred*."

Which was adopted.

The M. W. Grand Lodge was then called to Refreshment until Monday Evening, February 15, at six o'clock.

AMOS ADAMS, Grand Master,  
JAMES B. SCOT, Senior Grand Warden, *pro tem*.  
A. S. WASHBURN, Junior Grand Warden, *pro tem*.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 15, 1858.

The M. W. Grand Lodge was called to labor in the Third Degree, at 6 o'clock, P. M.

OFFICERS PRESENT:

AMOS ADAMS.....	M. W. Grand Master.	
S. M. TODD.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.	
J. B. SCOT .....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden, <i>pro tem.</i>	
A. S. WASHBURN.....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden	"
A. GOLDMAN .....	W. Grand Treasurer.	"
S. G. RISK .....	W. Grand Secretary.	
J. H. HOLLAND.....	W. Grand Chaplain, <i>pro tem.</i>	
J. C. BATCHELOR.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon, <i>pro tem.</i>	
S. P. SOLOMON .....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.	
W. C. DRIVER.....	W. Grand Marshal.	
HY. REGENBURG.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.	
P. MYERS.....	W. Grand Pursuivant, <i>pro tem.</i>	
E. D. CRAIG .....	W. Grand Steward.	
B. DE LUCAS.....	"	"
B. DA SILVA .....	"	"
T. W. PEYTON .....	"	" <i>pro tem.</i>
JOS. CHELLET .....	W. Grand Tyler.	

The Roll of Lodges being called, the following were represented, viz.: Nos. P. U. 1, 5, 19, 52, 53, 54, 56, 58, 65, 68, 70, 76, 78, 83, 84, 89, 92, 98, 102, 109, 110, 112, 117, 124, 134, 142, 144. Total, 27 Chartered Lodges.

The Minutes of the meeting of February 13, 1858, were read and approved.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced the following Committee, under Resolution passed last sitting, to procure

a testimonial for our Past Grand Master, Wm. M. Perkins, viz: Bros. H. R. Swasey, Samuel M. Todd and A. J. Norwood.

On motion, the M. W. Grand Master was added to the Committee.

The Committee on Credentials made the following Report, which was adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following Brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge, as Representatives:

Bro. J. M. Lee, proxy for S. W. of Plains Lodge, No. 135.

Bro. John Hampton, proxy for W. M. of Lafayette Lodge, No. 56.

Respectfully submitted.

CH. LAFFON.

T. F. HEDGES.

The W. Grand Secretary made the following Report, which was adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

I would respectfully report that I have this day received the returns of "Friendship Lodge, No. 114," for the years 1856 and 1857, and the sum of \$50 on account of their dues.

I have also received the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, at its Annual Communication held in Richmond, December 14, 1857, but too late to submit to your Committee on Foreign Correspondence, for a careful perusal, at this late period of our Communication; but will be given them for a notice at your next. They have reelected Bro. John S. Caldwell, Grand Master, and Bro. John Dove, Grand Secretary.

Fraternally yours, etc.

SAM'L G. RISK, Grand Secretary.

The Committee on Chartered Lodges submitted the following Report, which was read and adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Chartered Lodges, beg leave most respectfully to report, that we have examined the By-Laws of Warren Lodge, No. 132, and though finding many good features in them, deem them in some points too voluminous, particularly those relating to the duties of the W. Master ; these features being merely the general principles of Masonry contained in our Constitutions and Charters. We would, therefore, advise the adoption of the By-Laws recommended by the Grand Lodge at its last Grand Annual Communication.

Respectfully submitted.

PHILIP MYERS,  
H. R. SWASEY.

The following communication from the W. M. of Union Fraternal Lodge, No. 53, was then read, and on motion, referred to the M. W. Grand Master, to instruct how to act :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The undersigned, W. M. of Union Fraternal Lodge, No. 53, to which was referred the case of Sparta Lodge *vs.* George W. Johnson, which had been tried in D'Arbonne Lodge, No. 128, for a new trial, begs leave most respectfully to report, that owing to delays occasioned by the late reception of the proceedings of the M. W. Grand Lodge, and by the belief of the Lodge that a regular mandate from the M. W. Grand Master was necessary before commencing proceedings in the case, and later by the inconvenient distance of the parties to the case, no final action has been had in the same ; but that in order to suit the convenience of all parties, the case is set for a final trial on the Friday preceding the third Saturday in May next, 1858.

The Lodge would further most respectfully request an expression of the opinion of the M. W. Grand Lodge on the following question :

G. W. Johnson was charged on four separate specifications ; on the trial of the same before D'Arbonne Lodge, No. 128, two of these charges were withdrawn, and the trial proceeded, and testimony heard only on two of those charges or specifications.

Now, Sparta Lodge brings before this Lodge the whole original charges, with four specifications. The accused declines to answer to the two speci-

cations that were withdrawn. D'Arbonne Lodge also objects to the trial of the accused on these specifications, on the ground that it has original jurisdiction in the case, and that the accused has not been put on his trial in this Lodge on these.

Now, Union Fraternal Lodge desires instruction from this M. W. Grand Lodge in regard to the manner how to proceed in this matter.

H. REGENBURG, W. M., U. F. L., No. 53.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence submitted an additional Report, on the Circular from the Grand Orient of Peru. [See APPENDIX, p. 66.] Accompanied by the following Resolution, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That all Masonic intercourse with the Body styling itself the "Grand Lodge of Peru" be, and the same is hereby interdicted, it being illegally organized.

Brother L. H. Gardner submitted the following Resolution, which, after some discussion, was finally laid on the table :

*Resolved*, That it be recorded as an edict of this Grand Lodge, that the right (so called) to visit Masonically, is not an *absolute right*, but a favor which every lawful Mason in good standing is entitled to ask, and which the Master may concede or refuse, at his discretion ; and that no Master of a Lodge under this jurisdiction shall admit a visitor when positive objection to such admission is made by a regular member, or by the Lodge.

The following Memorial and Resolution were then read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The undersigned beg leave to call the attention of this Grand Lodge to the fact that efforts are now making to establish, near the town of Bastrop, in the Parish of Morehouse, an institution of learning under the name and style of "BASTROP MASONIC FEMALE COLLEGE;" said institution to be under the direction of a Board of Trustees, appointed by the several Masonic Bodies of Morehouse Parish, viz : Living Stone Chapter No. 16, Mount Gerizim Lodge No. 54, Bartholomew Lodge No. 112, and Harry Hill Lodge No. 134.

This enterprize was started about one year since. A Charter has been obtained, a lot of land purchased for its location, a donation of \$2,500 obtained from the State Treasury, and about \$1,000 obtained by private subscriptions. The terms of subscription are, one-fourth cash on demand, one-fourth on 1st March, 1859, one-fourth 1st March, 1860, and one-fourth 1st March, 1861.

A plan for the building has been agreed upon, estimated to cost about \$15,000, and exertions are making to raise the funds by subscription. An agent will, during the current year, visit the different parts of the State, and especially call on the various Lodges.

A system of scholarships has been proposed and adopted, the scholarships fixed at \$500. It is intended to endeavor to raise enough to complete the edifice independent of the scholarships, that they may constitute a permanent endowment for support of the school and the education of indigent orphans.

Your memorialists would call the attention of this Grand Body to the fact, that many of the other States have flourishing schools under the auspices of Masonry, while Louisiana has none. Missouri has a flourishing College for boys, and Georgia a still more flourishing one for girls.

Should Louisiana, while not behind her sister States in wealth and Masonic zeal, allow herself to be outdone by them in educational enterprize? A small donation from each Lodge or each Mason, would soon enable us to build up an institution which would stand as a monument to the honor and glory of Masonry, more proud and more durable than one of marble or granite.

The Board of Trustees have already engaged the services of Professor F. A. Hall and lady, who have already established a flourishing Female School in the town of Bastrop, intended to meet the immediate wants of the citizens of that vicinity, until the College buildings can be erected and the College organized.

Knowing the condition of the finances of this Grand Lodge, your memorialists do not ask it for pecuniary aid, but would respectfully solicit the countenance and approval of this august Body, and its recommendation to the favorable consideration of the Craft at large. We respectfully beg leave, therefore, to offer the following Resolution.

A. S. WASHBURN,  
G. W. JELKS,  
JOHN E. S. HOUGH,  
*Of Board of Trustees.*



*Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana fully approve of the laudable undertaking of the Brethren of Morehouse Parish, and cordially recommend "BASTROP MASONIC FEMALE COLLEGE" to the favorable consideration of the Fraternity.

The following communication was then read :

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 13, 1858.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The undersigned intends to publish, in the City of New Orleans, a Masonic journal, devoted to the interests of Masonry, under the title of "THE MASONIC MESSENGER." The Masonic Messenger will recognize all Masonic Bodies recognizing and recognized by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana. The undersigned would therefore ask this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge to authorize the list of its Grand Officers to be published officially in the Masonic Messenger, and recommend the undersigned—Publisher—as obeying its allegiance.

Fraternally yours,

WM. BLOOMFIELD, Jr.

Bro. Wm. M. Perkins offered the following, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to furnish a copy of the officers of the Grand Lodge to the "MASONIC MESSENGER," for publication; and that this Grand Lodge cheerfully recommend the publisher, Wm. Bloomfield, Jr., as a true and lawful Brother under our jurisdiction.

The Grand Secretary read the following communication :

GRAND LODGE OF VIRGINIA, Richmond, Jan. 19, A. L. 5858.

*To the M. W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana :*

M. WOR. SIR AND BROTHER: You and the officers of your M. W. Grand Lodge, are respectfully and fraternally invited to attend a called Communication of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, at the City of Richmond, on Monday, the 22d of February next, for the purpose of Inaugurating the Statue of our illustrious brother, George Washington, on its Monument.

Very Fraternally yours,

JOHN S. CALDWELL, G. M.

On motion of Bro. J. Q. A. Fellows, it was ordered to be spread on the Minutes, and the M. W. Grand Master requested to make a suitable response thereto.

Bro. A. P. Beers offered the following Resolution, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the M. W. Grand Master be authorized to draw an order on the Grand Treasurer for all refreshments used by this Grand Lodge, during the present Communication.

Bro. A. S. Washburu offered the following Resolution, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the sum of Twenty-Five Dollars be appropriated and presented to the W. Grand Chaplain, Rev. C. S. Hedges.

Bro. J. Q. A. Fellows offered the following Resolution, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the Grand Secretary be, and he is hereby instructed to address a circular to the Lodges under this jurisdiction, whose dues are unpaid, and those who have arrearages unpaid, soliciting them to transmit the amounts promptly, in order to meet the incidental expenses of this Grand Lodge for the current year, and aid in making up our balance due on the Grand Lodge Building.

Past Grand Master Wm. M. Perkins offered the following, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the Permanent Committee on Work, and the Lodges of this jurisdiction be, and are hereby instructed, that this Grand Lodge expects and requires that UNIFORMITY in the following particulars shall be both taught and practiced, viz :

1. In all the means of recognition.
2. In the ties which bind them together as Masons.

Past Grand Master J. H. Holland moved to reconsider the vote on adoption, when

Brother Wm. M. Perkins moved to lay the motion to reconsider on the table, which was adopted.

Brother J. Q. A. Fellows offered the following Resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge does hereby authorize the establishment of a Lodge of instruction, composed of the Masters and Wardens of Lodges, and such other Master Masons as may choose to join it, in New Orleans, for the purpose of giving instruction and lectures on the various forms and symbols of the Three Symbolic Degrees, and to investigate, in connection with the Special Committee on Work, the various means of recognition, and the ties which bind us together as Masons; and that the said Committee report the result of their investigation to the Grand Lodge at its next Annual Communication.

Brother A. S. Washburn submitted the following Resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Standing Committee on Work, be nine, instead of five as at present, and that at least *two* members of said Committee be appointed from Lodges working in the French, Spanish or German languages.

When Brother T. W. Peyton offered the following as a substitute, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That further legislation in regard to the Work, be considered out of order during the present Communication.

Past Grand Master Wm. M. Perkins submitted the following amendment to our By-Laws and General Regulations, which lies over until next Session:

Insert in 1st line of Sec. 1, Art. 2 and chap. 2, after the word "*must*," the words "*be twenty-one years of age.*"

The Grand Secretary then read a Circular Letter from "Maine," on the subject of the formation of a National Grand Lodge, when

Past Grand Master Wm. M. Perkins offered the following which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge declines taking any action at this time in reference to the proposed establishment of a General Grand Lodge of the United States.

The Resolution of Brother S. O. Scruggs, offered on the 10th inst., in regard to translation of the Constitution and By-Laws, etc., into French, was then called up and adopted.

On motion, the amendments offered on the previous evening to the By-Laws and General Regulations, were then taken up in the order in which they were offered, and adopted as follows :

The additional Sec. 8 to Art. 4 of Chap. 1, offered by Brothers Fellows and Scot, was then read and adopted.

The word "*of*" in lieu of "*by the,*" in first line of Sec. 11, Art. 1 and Chap. 2, was adopted.

The substitute offered by Brothers Fellows and Scot, for Sec. 4, Art. 2. of Chap. 2, as also the one offered by Brother W. C. Driver, were read separately, when on motion, that of Brothers Fellows and Scot was adopted, and that of Brother Driver laid on the table.

Bro. E. D. Craig then asked permission to withdraw the amendment offered by him to Sec. 7, Art. 2 of Chap. 2, which was granted.

The following amendments, offered by Bros. Fellows and Scot, were then taken up separately and adopted :

Insert in second line of Sec. 4, Art. 3, Chap. 2, after the word "*heard,*" the words "*of the witnesses named and of such others as may have been discovered.*"

Insert in second line of Art. 1, Chap. 3, after the word "*members,*" the words "*three of whom must be Masters of Lodges.*"

Strike out of Sec. 6, Art. 1, Chap. 3, all after the words "*general good.*"

The amendment of Bro. Da Silva to Art. 2, Sec. 1 of Chap. 3, to strike out the words "*is hereby perpetuated,*" was then read and lost.

Bro. J. Q. A. Fellows then moved that the Grand Secretary be instructed to have printed 2,500 copies of the Constitution, By-Laws and General Regulations, and "*Old Charges,*" in English alone, and 500 copies in French alone; which was adopted.

On motion, it was unanimously adopted that in all cases the English text shall govern.

On motion of Bro. Sam'l G. Risk, the Grand Translator was instructed to have one copy of the Constitution, By-Laws and General Regulations translated into Spanish, and one copy into German, for the use of the Lodges working in those languages.

Past Grand Master Wm. M. Perkins then moved that the Deputy Grand Master be fully empowered to exercise the functions of the Grand Master during his absence from the city, as embraced in Section 4, Article 3, of Chapter 3 of the By-Laws and General Regulations.

The Grand Secretary stated that no answer had been by him received from Perseverance Lodge, No. 4, as promised.

On motion of Bro. J. H. Holland, the M. W. Grand Master was authorized to take such action in the case of Perseverance Lodge, No. 4, during the recess of the Grand Lodge, as the circumstances might demand and his judgment dictate.

Bro. C. Laffon offered the following Resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge advance to Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, under its jurisdiction, all the pecuniary aid necessary to procure counsel in the recovery of their property.

The third Resolution offered by the Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances, on the 9th instant, authorizing the trial of certain members formerly of Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, was then called up, and, on motion, adopted.

Bro. S. G. Risk offered the following Resolution, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, or Grand Officers present, or their Substitutes, be authorized to examine, approve and sign the minutes of the proceedings of this meeting, after the close of the Grand Lodge.

No further business appearing, the M. W. Grand Lodge was closed in AMPLE FORM in *Peace and Harmony*.

[Signed]

SAM'L M. TODD, Deputy Grand Master.

J. B. SCOT, Senior Grand Warden, *pro tem*.

ATTEST :

SAM'L G. RISK, Grand Secretary.

GRAND SECRETARY'S OFFICE,  
Of the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana. }

*Grand Lodge Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido Sts.*

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that the foregoing pages, from No. 3 to 104, contain a true transcript of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, at its last Annual Grand Communication, held at the City of New Orleans, from the 8th to the 15th of February, inclusive.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed the Seal of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, together with my Official Signature, this Sixteenth day of February, A. D. 1858, A. L. 5858.

ATTEST:

*James G. Risk*  
*Grand Secy.*

N. B.—All Communications must be addressed to the Grand Secretary, at his office, Grand Lodge Hall, corner of St. Charles and Perdido streets, New Orleans, La.

## SPECIAL NOTICE.

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THE attention of Masters and Secretaries is specially directed to the Statistical Table of Lodges, at the end of Returns of Constituent Lodges. In it will be found a full statement of their account with the Grand Lodge; and all those owing Balances are requested to transmit them as soon as possible, as required by Resolution on page 100 of these Proceedings.



# RETURNS OF CONSTITUENT LODGES.

## PERFECT UNION LODGE, NO. 1.

*Rampart st., between Main and St. Philip sts., New Orleans.*

### OFFICERS.

Augustin, D.....	W M	St. Paul, H.....	Orator
Pitot, Jr, A.....	S W	Baudoin, A.....	S D
De Buys, O.....	J W	Gaillaird, O.....	J D
Noblom, A.....	Treasurer	Hopkins, J.....	Inside Tyler
Laffon, Chas.....	Secretary	Raymond, C.....	Outside Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Bujac, L	Fortier, F	Musson, M
Boudousquie, A	Gardere, F	Martin, E
Choppin, Sam'l	Guyol, P	McCall, E J
Collignon, G	Honold, C	Nott, W A
Durel, J	Leaumont, G	Feire, A A
De Blanc, C	Lee, C S	Roman, C
Eustis, Jr, G	Lauve, O	Roman, A
Elliott, A F	Lewis, J L	Rousseau, L
Forstall, C E	Lœning, F	Schreiber, A
Fitz, C	Montserrit, T	Voorhies, B P

Total—40.

### DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Currell, Charles	Currell, Charles	

*Demitted*—C. Fitz, C. Roman, L. Bujac.

*Affiliated*—F. Lœning.

## POLAR STAR LODGE, NO. 1.\*

*Corner of Love and History streets, New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Brugier, R.....	W M	Gloeckner, L.....	Secretary
Deluzian, L E.....	S W	*Meilleur, M.....	S D
Clostermann, H.....	J W	Jauquet, J.....	J D
Lasalle, J.....	Treasurer	Queyrouze, L.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allenet, T	Fabio, S G	Michel, Dan'l
Aynaud, E	Fabio, D	*Morel, A R
Audran, E	Guth, G	Mouras, G
Beer, A	Hernandez, M	Niederberger, Louis
Cahn, Leon	Hubschmann, A	*Prados, Manuel
*Claiborne, C	Lacoste, C	Pichi, F
*Chaseaniol, P M	Lacoste, J	Similien, J B
Colin, N	*Lanaux, A P	*Schwaner, Otto
Collon, J	Lachenmayer, A	*Tallarie, E E A
Colombel, A	Lacroix, C	*Texier, Alfred
Denis, A	*Levasseur, F	*Tissot, J L
Deron, H	*Lumsden, F A	Trenis, A
*Deverges, P	Lang, J B	Turpia, J
Dupre, C	*Lay, Louis	Van Rooten, P
Eerot, F	Lion, Louis	Vedot, J
Fernandez, F	Lobinot, F	Winkler, J    Total, 56.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Audran, E	Audran, E	Audran, E
Beer, A	Beer, A	Beer, A
Cahn, L	Cahn, L	Cahn, L
Gloeckner, L	Gloeckner, L	Gloeckner, L
Lacroix, Chas	Lacroix, C	Lacroix, C
Lion, Louis	Lion, Louis	Lion, Louis
Winkler, J	Niederberger, L	Niederberger, L

\*This Lodge has, since its Return, withdrawn from our jurisdiction, and is now clandestinely held—and Masonic intercourse is strictly forbidden with all its members, except those marked thus \*, who still hold the only legal Charter of *Polar Star Lodge, No. 1.*—Gn. Sec.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Levy, M	Winkler, J	Winkler, J
Suneau, E		

*Demitted*—T. Allenet, L. Cahn, C. Lacoste, J. B. Lang.

*Died*—J. B. Similien.

*Stricken from the Roll*—A. Beer, L. Cahn, F. Fernandez, G. Guth, M. Hernandez, J. Lacoste, L. Lay, L. Lion, F. Lobinet, M. Prados, J. S. Meilleur, (1856.)

*Reinstated*—L. Cahn, C. Lacoste.

### CONCORDE LODGE, NO. 3.

*Corner St. Claude and Main streets, New Orleans.*

#### OFFICERS.

Heunisch, Chas F.....	W M	Huard, P H.....	Secretary
Pietri, Roco.....	S W	Giroux, Leon.....	S D
Letourneur, P A.....	J W	Gugenham, A.....	J D
Seeleman, B.....	Treasurer	Bertus, Victor.....	Tyler

#### MEMBERS.

Biegenski, Edward	Esnard, Marcelin	Levy, A
Bregenzer, Conrad	Grivot, Wm	Nicomede, L F
Coudreau, A	Hickok, Daniel	St. Germain, M
Diaz, J A	Lalanne, P	Tronchet, H
		Total—20.

#### DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Durbridge, Wm		
Flynn, Wm		
Meyran, Rudolphe		

*Affiliated*—Leon Giroux, P. A. Letourneur.

*Demitted*—Conrad Bregenzer, P. Clark, E. A.

*Died*—Wm. Grivot.

*Suspended*—M. St. Germain, H. Tronchet.

## PERSEVERANCE LODGE, NO. 4.\*

*Corner Main and St. Claude streets, New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Calongne, M. A.....	W M	Pedarre, Hy .....	Secretary
St. Marc, F W C.....	S W	Parent F.....	S D
Calongne, C.....	J W	Claverie, J M.....	J D
Ricau, F.....	Treasurer	Beney, L.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brunet, F	Faivre, F	Pustienne, J
Brisoloro, J	Grasso, A	Pereyras, F
Bois, Oscar	Garzia, M	Perrin, J
Bartolora, V	Gras, F	Pirolli, J
Calongne, F	Huguet, A	Rousseau, A
Camos, B	Jourde, J	Romain, G
Cazeau, J	Lafitte, J	Rodi, S
Claverie, M	Lecanu, A	St. Martin, L
Dudoussat, A	Lyall, J	Sarrazin, J P
Dossat, J L	Lods, L	Sarrazin, J L
Duc, D	Meilleur, F	Sarrazin, V E
Fisse, J	Marcou, J	Thomas, C
Foretich, J	Monzelun, D	Tessier, L J
Frigerio, L	Monzelun, J	Villio, J
		Total—49.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Bois, Oscar	Bois, Oscar	Bois, Oscar
Bartolora, V	Bartolora, V	Bartolora, V
Claverie, J M	Claverie, J M	Claverie, J M
Claverie, M	Claverie, M	Claverie, M
Pirolli, J	Huguet, A	Huguet, A
Sarrazin, V E	Pedarre, Henry	Pedarre, Hy
Guerbert, A	Pirolli, J	Pirolli, J
	Sarrazin, V E	Sarrazin, V E

\* This Lodge has, since her Returns, withdrawn from our jurisdiction, and is now clandestinely held, and Masonic intercourse with all its members is strictly forbidden.—GRAND SECRETARY.

*Demitted*—J. Lafitte.

*Died*—F. Calongne, D. Monzelun.

*Suspended*—J. Jourde, J. Lyall, J. Pustienne, A. Rousseau, C. Thomas.

## LOS AMIGOS DEL ORDEN LODGE, NO. 5.

*Rampart, between St. Philip and Main streets, New Orleans.*

### OFFICERS.

Carrillo, B. ....	W M	Villegas, L G .....	Secretary
Garcia, V .....	S W	Nogueira, A V .....	S D
Partegas, A .....	J W	Garcia, L M .....	J D
Sitges, M .....	Treasurer	Reymunds, Carl. . .	( <sup>Not a</sup> <sub>member</sub> ) . . . Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Apodaca, J N	Fernandez, J	Planellas, Jose
Acebal, Jose	Falcon, P B	Pirandelle, P
Bachino, J	Garche, A	Pache, C
Buttler, G	Garcia, S	Parra, J J
Boto, Jose	Garcia, R	Passe, M
Bagur, P	Grijalva, C	Rovira, A
Barba, F	Herrera, D	Radovich, M
Costa, Antonio	Lux, P	Rico, J J
Costa, Angelo	Lanuza, R	Romere, J
Caballero, F	Landre, S	Saliva, J
Casal, Jose	Lopez, S M	Salas, P P
Calafat, M	Martin, A	Sagrera, M
Castilla, M	Migueli, D	Triay, J
Campo, P E	Mastier, Louis	Torres, A
De Lermos, A	Machado, Louis	Talazac, L
Da Costa, F	Monju, A	Valls, A J
De Lucas, B	Manent, F	Zalduendo, B
Del Valle, J	Mou, P P	
De Gregorio, M	Moyano, A R	
		Total—62.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Acebal, Jose	Apodaca, J N	Apodaca, J N
Falcon, P B	Acebal, Jose	Acebal, Jose
Grijalva, C	Falcon, P B	Falcon, P B
Manent, F	Grijalva, C	Grijalva, C
Mou, P P	Manent, F	Manent, F
Pirandelle, P	Mou, P P	Mou, P P
Planellas, J	Nogueira, A V	Nogueira, A V
Sitges, M	Pirandelle, P	Pirandelle, P
Valls, A F	Planellas, J	Planellas, J
	Sitges, M	Sitges, M
	Talazac, L	Talazac, L
	Valls, A. F	Valls, A F

*Affiliated*—J. Fernandez.

*Demitted*—J. N. Apodaca, G. Buttler, Jose Boto, M. Castilla, J. Del Valle, J. Fernandez, A. Garche, R. Garcia, S. Landre, D. Miguele, L. Machado, A. R. Moyano, P. Pirandeile.

*Died*—Jose Casal, M. Sagrera.

*Suspended*—D. Herrera.

*Expelled*—M. Radovich, J. Saliva.

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## HUMBLE COTTAGE LODGE, NO. 19.

*Opelousas, St. Landry Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Hebrard, P Leonce.....	W M	Pilate, Eugene .....	Secretary
Macdonald, John.....	S W	Beauchamp, J J.....	S D
Perrault, A M .....	J W	Lewis, H Taylor.....	J D
Louaillier, Alfred.....	Treasurer	Ayrivie, Guillaume.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Couret, J L	Lewis, Wm B	Reed, John
Carriere, Gerand	Lewis, Thos H	Salles, Bernard J
Debaillon, Evariste	Morrogh, John F	Sallier, Anselme
Delaruelle, Jean A A	Mornhinveg, C	Thompson, James M
Giles, Junius M	Moore, James F	Vion, Remy Jean
Hudson, John P	Quirk, Stephen W	
Jubertie, Julien		
		Total—26.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Carriere, Gerand	Beauchamp, J J	Beauchamp, J J
Giles, Junius M	Carriere, Gerand	Couret, J L
Lewis, H Taylor	Giles, Junius M	Carriere, Gerand
Louaillier, Alfred	Lewis, H Taylor	Giles, Junius M
Thompson, James M	Louaillier, Alfred	Lewis, H Taylor
Chrétien, Hypolite	Quirk, Stephen W	Louaillier, Alfred
Going, Aaron	Thompson, James M	Quirk, Stephen W
Pollingue, Jean B	Chrétien, Hypolite	Thompson, James M
Cacheré, L Veilland	Going, Aaron	
Cochran, John	Pollingue, Jean B	
Garvin, John	Ray, James	
Hardy, Pliny D		
Lejeune, Louis		
Mayo, Claudius		
Prud'homme, Louis		

*Affiliated*—Jean A. A. Delaruelle, James F. Moore, Eugene Pilate,  
David Kerr, (E. A.)

*Demitted*—Junius M. Giles, David Kerr, (E. A.)

*Died*—Remy Jean Vion.

## ST. ALBANS LODGE, NO. 28.

*Jackson, Parish of East Feliciana, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Catlett, Geo W.....	W M	Kiblinger, E C.....	Secretary
Simpson, G W A.....	S W	— — — — —	S D
Norwood, E S.....	J W	— — — — —	J D
Remberg, H.....	Treasurer	Sullivan, F M.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Banton, R J	Gibbons, J F	Norwood, J F
Ballard, A W	Hart, A	Nesmith, S M
Brown, L W	Hammer, R	Oppenheimer, M
Barkdull, J D	Heath, J T	Perkins, L G
Boyd, J	Hazard, A	Ratliff, H
Chapman, P C	Hagaman, F V D	Rogillio, Julian
Clark Hy	Kennedy, R B	Rogillio, W T
Dunn, W W	Miller, J C	Smith, John W
Donnally, John	McKenna, A	Sullivan, W
Dunbar, S W	McVea, J	Thomas, S M
Dawson, W W	Munson, W W	Vaughan, R S
Dupree, J R	Miller, A G	Walden, C W F
East, John	Mayberry, G W	
Gayle, J R	McVea, C	
Green, P E	Meyer, A	Total—48.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

## INITIATED.

• Boyd, J

## PASSED.

Boyd, J

## RAISED.

Boyd, J

*Affiliated*—P. E. Green.*Demitted*—J. F. Gibbons, John W. Smith.*Died*—G. W. Mayberry.



## FELICIANA LODGE, NO. 31.

*St. Francisville, Parish of West Feliciana, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Brewer, L D.....	W M	Leake, Wm W.....	Secretary
Hofman, Charles.....	S W	Spear, John W.....	S D
Powell, Samuel J.....	J W	Scott, J A.....	J D
Stoer, Charles.....	Treasurer	Miller, G M.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Barkdell, Jesse	Harper, James P	McLaughlin, D L
Barrow, Robert H	Hearsey, Wm	Mayers, Jacob J
Barrow, John J	Helveston, T.	Muse, P K
Barbee, James	Henshaw, J H	Nibbling, John M
Beathney, Thomas	Hillin, J W	Parr, Samuel
Burgess, Lewis A	Hosea, C E	Raby, James
Carmena, Joseph	Irvine, John F	Randolph, Peter
Chase, O W	Johnson, L B	Robinson, J W
Day, L P	Jones, D W C	Settoon, G R
Donally, Richard H	Kelly, John S	Stocking, D L
Davis, Jesse	Leake, F V	Stirling, James L
Enete, Emile	Levey, A	Town, Wm
Fort, Wm J	Lurty, S H	Vaughan, V
Fisher, A	Lejeune, Ovid	Vanderslice, H H
Hale, Robert	Maynard, J H	Wooster, J S
Hale, James	Maddox, L T	Total—54.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Scott, J A	Barrow, John J	Barrow, John J
Dye, A J	Scott, J A	Parr, Samuel
Howell, John B	Dye, A J	Scott, J A
Miller, G M	Howell, John B	
Elleot, J J	Miller, G M	

*Demitted*—J. F. Irvine, John S. Kelly, S. H. Lurty, Ovid Lejeune.*Died*—G. R. Settoon.*Suspended*—Emile Enete.

## PHENIX LODGE, NO. 38.

*Natchitoches, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Smith, Jno Blair.....	W M	Payne, Wm.....	Secretary
Chaplin, Jr C.....	S W	Williams, Jno R.....	S D
Morrow, Wm P.....	J W	Williams, D G S.....	J D
Vienne, François.....	Treasurer	Stimpson, Thos J.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Boultt, D H	Hamlin, Chas	Stimpson, E S
Breda, J P	Kile, S W	St. Amans, B
Capmartin, Oran	Morse, P A	Stephens, Jno H
Davis, Nathaniel	Miles, L J	Smith, Jerry
Grimmer, John	McDonald, J E	Schuman, Theodore
Hyams, Sam'l M	Marcy, Louis	Turner, Daniel
Hammett, R E	McNeely, N G	Williams, Frederic
Harrison, A E	Martin, Wm A	Wolfson, Jacob A
Hunter, Thomas	McNeely, Jno T	Walmsley, L R
Hamilton, Wm J	Norris, J W	Walmsley, C L
Holloway, G W	Owings, Wm P	Wakefield, Terence
Hughes, R F	Ponder, Wm A	Walton, T W
	Rogers, R H	Total—45.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Morrow, Wm P	Morrow, Wm P	Morrow, Wm P
Vienne, François	Vienne, François	Vienne, François
Smith, Jno Benj	Bullitt, B W	
	Smith, Jno Benj	

*Affiliated*—O. Capmartin, C. Chaplin, Chas. Hamlin, Wm. A. Martin.*Demitted*—R. E. Hammett, N. G. McNeely, J. T. McNeely, J. W. Norris, Wm. P. Owings, Robert H. Rogers.*Died*—Thomas W. Walton.

## FOYER MACONNIQUE, NO. 44.

*Rampart, between Main and St. Philip Sts.*

## OFFICERS.

Santini, Joseph.....	W M	Scooler, M.....	Secretary
Stella, Jno M.....	S W	Sbisa, Ant'e.....	S D
Fondard, J F.....	J W	Cantoni, Michel.....	J D
Llado, Joseph.....	Treasurer	Brugier, Ph.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Amodeo, Nicolas	Formel, Dan'l	Molinari, A
Abel, E	Guilbeau, L	Macara, B
Barnes, Joseph	Geismard, L	Masich, Pierre
Benedict, Auguste	Hywer, G A	Merano, E
Brouet, Achille	Howell, J D	Nata, Joseph
Blardoni, B	Hairing, C	Nocenti, Jean
Ceccanti, Angelo	Hernandez, J M	Papini, Chas
Capdeau, J B	Johnson, ———	Rivas, F
Constantini, F	Katmann, Jas	Sheppard, W H
Compolo, Vincent	Lasansky, F	Terzuli, Antonio
Drez, Artemise	Levy, Sam'l	Thaon, Jean
Delamare, Auguste	Le Blanc, Evariste	Vegas, Joseph
Desgray, François	Moitie, F	Verde, Louis
Ettmann, George		Total—48.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

## INITIATED.

## PASSED.

## RAISED.

Cantoni, Michel	Cantoni, Michel	Cantoni, Michel
Ettmann, George	Ettmann, George	Ettmann, George
Geismard, Leon	Geismard, Leon	Geismard, Leon
Hairing, C	Howell, J D	Howell, J D
Hernandez, J M	Hairing, C	Hairing, C
Papini, Chas	Hernandez, J M	Hernandez, J M
Rivas, F	Papini, Chas	Le Blanc, Evariste
Thaon, Jean	Rivas, F	Papini, Chas

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Bompet, M	Thaon, Jean	Rivas, F
Gery, L F		Thaon, Jean
Gast, D		
Kuntzmann, John		
Marx, Mack		
Moses, Gustave		
Nouillet, L		
Peletier, J C		
Antoine, Henry		
Weiss, John		

*Affiliated*—E. Abel, B. Blardoni, François Desgray, P. Masich, E. Merano, Jean Nocenti.

*Demitted*—B. Blardoni.

*Died*—François Desgray.

*Suspended*—A. Brouet, J. D. Howell, F. Moitie, A. Molinari.

*Reinstated*—W. H. Sheppard.

### JACKSON LODGE, NO. 45.

*Greenwood, Parish of Caddo, La.*

#### OFFICERS.

Flournoy, A Sr.....	W M	McRady, J A.....	Secretary
Pegram, W A.....	S W	Whitworth, J D.....	S D
Baugh, E H.....	J W	Wall, H.....	J D
Lafoy, M E.....	Treasurer	Jenkins, J D.....	Tyler

#### MEMBERS.

Euzbee, E R	Jones, V H	Stuckey, S
Bayliss, W H	Metcalf, V D	Simmons, J M

## MEMBERS.

Coleman, E M	Marshall, W E	Wilder, J
Cates, E J S	Pollard, W	Waddill, Daniel
Flournoy, Jr, A	Pollard, H A	Williams, E D
Ford, J M	Roth, M	Waddill, T D
Hooks, D I	Raftery, P L	Wilson, T D
	Reaves, J W	Total—30.

*Demitted*—W. E. Marshall, J. Wilder.

*Died*—J. M. Simmons.

*Stricken from the Roll*—E. R. Buzbee, S. Stuckey.

## GERMANIA LODGE, NO. 46.

*St. Louis st., near Claiborne, New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Gerlach, John.....	W M	Kattmann, John.....	Secretary
Wild, John.....	S W	Goldstein, Alex.....	S D
Szubilsky, H.....	J W	Vollrath, H.....	J D
Jensen, Peter.....	Treasurer	Simon, M.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Abry, John G	Goldmann, Henry	Oppenheim, L
Abel, John H	Hatry, Theodore	Phillips, Alex
Asche, Christian	Hille, H	Reutter, Jno E
Berger, Ernst	Heilbronner, D	Rees, C
Bruenn A D	Huber, J M	Stadcker, Jacob
Baaden, John	Jacobs, Samuel	Szubilsky, Isidor
Droge, N	Karstendiek, O H	Schwarz, J I

## MEMBERS.

Delfs, Frank	Koch, E	Springer, Louis
Dorhaüer, August	Kraemer, Wm	Stich, Isidor
Eichholz, F O	Kaiser, J L	Weber, S
Fulda, Julius	Kersten, Wm	Wellhausen, H
Friedrich, Jno	Lippe, J N	Wild, J F
Frank, A	Lanz, Jacob	Winkelmann, A
Flammang, N	Mayer, J F	Weber, J G
Fürbringer, Wm	Michelfelder, M	Worms, N
Fluer, Wm C	Mittendorf, Jno	Wunderlich, E G
Gottschalk, Chris	Nelson, G	Woods, John
Gottschalk, Chas	Otto, J N	Total—61.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Huber, J M	Huber, J M	Huber, J M
Kaiser, J L	Kaiser, J L	Kaiser, J L
Kersten, Wm	Kersten, Wm	Kersten, Wm
Vollrath, H	Simon, M	Simon, M
Beckmann, E	Vollrath, H	Vollrath, H
Gerdes, Albert	Beckmann, E	
Kellner, J F	Gerdes, Albert	
Wild, Chr	Kellner, J F	
Kattmann, Arnold	Wild, Chr	

*Affiliated*—A. Winkelmann.

*Demitted*—O. H. Karstendiek, G. Nelson, I. Szubilsky.

*Suspended*—J. F. Mayer, J. Stadeker.

*Expelled*—John Woods.

*Reinstated*—D. Heilbronner.

## ST. JAMES LODGE, NO. 47.\*

*Baton Rouge, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Herron, A S.....	W M	Secretary
Day, R H.....	S W	S D
Fay, Timothy.....	J W	J D
.....	Treasurer	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Adams, Amos	Isett, S M	Repp, J D
Alexander, A	Jones, Henry	Richards, F
Burk, R H	Kretz, Ferdinand	Richards, J
Buffington, T G	Lallier, F C	Roeder, W G
Briant, Geo P	Lanoue, Eugene	Roger, A
Bradford, Andrew	Lanoue, J C	Seymour, J W
Blanchard, S F	Morgan, P H	Sharpe, W J
Bailey, G W R	Mann, W D	Stephens, B
Byington, M N	McHatton, R E	Sheppers, Alfred
Bogel, Edward	McCormick, Joseph	Stuart, R S
Crenshaw, W H	Morgan, Jas S	Stuart, J D
Cummings, J H	McGimpsey, J W P	Taylor, J C
Dunn, A M	McHatton, Jas A	Thorpe, T B
Dufroeq, J R	Morgan, T G	Tunnard, Wm F
Elam, James	McMain, J W	Turner, J
Goldman, Theo	McCutcheon, Jas M	Vail, A B
Hubbs, Wm	Marks, S F	Violet, J L
Holt, Jordan	Oleodosky, H	Washington, J G
Huguet, John, Sr	Penny, D H	Woodbridge, J
Huguet, J S	Provost, F A	Waddill, H T
Howell, H N	Perilliant, F	Wilson, A
Hart, S M	Pike, Geo A	Williams, J A
Harney, Benj	Pike, Wm S	Williams, J M

Total—72.

\* Returns received since closing of Grand Lodge, and not reported on by Committee.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

## INITIATED.

## PASSED.

## RAISED.

Hall, S S

Dunn, J B

Tacaneau, G F

Piker, Chas

Fulshier, A G

*Affiliated*—Jas. A. McHatton, Edward Bogel, B. Harney, F. Kretz,  
T. G. Morgan, W. G. Reeder, F. Perilliart, (1856.)

*Demitted*—M. N. Byington.

*Died*—Ferdinand Kretz.

## PROVIDENCE LODGE, NO. 50.

*Lake Providence, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Willson, G G.....	W M	Kent, J N.....	Secretary
Campbell, R N.....	S W	Pride, James.....	S D
Lyons, W R C.....	J W	Griffith, T.....	J D
Larche, S A.....	Treasurer	Richards, A.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allen, Wm L	Lachs, S W	Sharp, T A
Curry, Wm T	McAuley, Samuel	Short, Hugh
Chaney, R C	Mimms, E F	Shumard, J J
Elliott, J B	Mathews, E	Sthrale, F
Ferry, Elihu	McCrimmon, G W	Salen, G



## MEMBERS.

Goodrich, F M	McNeal, A J	Scott, R
Green, A W	Old, W W	Tozier, Wm
Gilliam, G W	Quays, P D	Tucker, S M
Harris, Eli	Roberts, I F	Wade, L T
Hillman, H	Reynolds, C C	Wade, D R
Herbert, E	Sims, R C	Total—40.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Herbert, E	Herbert, E	Herbert, E
Lachs, S W	Lachs, S W	Lachs, S W
Lyons, W R C	Lyons, W R C	Lyons, W R C
McCrimmon, G W (1856)	McCrimmon, G W (1856)	McCrimmon, G W
McNeal, A J	McNeal, A J	McNeal, A J
Scott, R (1856)	Scott, R	Scott, R

*Affiliated*—W. L. Allen and J. N. Kent, in 1856 ; S. A. Larche, D. R. Wade, in 1857.

*Demitted*—R. C. Chaney, G. W. Gilliam, in 1857 ; Wm. T. Curry, Wm. Pennington, in 1855.

*Died*—C. C. Reynolds.

*Suspended*—Wm. L. Allen, E. Ferry, E. F. Mimms, E. Mathews, W. W. Old, Fred'k Sthrale, Wm. Tozier, S. M. Tucker.

## MINDEN LODGE, NO. 51.

*Minden, Parish of Claiborne, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Lee, Wm.....	W M	Landsberg, A.....	Secretary
Miller, M W.....	S W	Gassaway, Thomas J.....	S D
Berry, J W.....	J W	Guerin, J P.....	J D
Harper, J D.....	Treasurer	Dickey, W C.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allen, S S	Flemming, L	Nickerson, J W
Bates, P P	Gillecoatte, W G	Oliver, J N
Brown, James H	Gilbert, J J	Paxton, J C M
Black, Wm F	Hodges, J L	Peed, Cyrus
Bates, C C	Hodges, Robt	Pate, Tandy
Burson, E G	Hill, Joshua	Parmenter, H B
Buy, J G	Horrell, C W	Pressnall, John
Blessing, Philip	Jones, Joslin	Ratcliffe, Hurley
Chaffe, Chas	Kelly, Wm A	Sligh, Geo B
Clemmons, A E	Lawrence, David	Smith, James B
Clinton, S R	Lee, L T	Smith, Joseph T
Clinton, H G	Lee, J B	Sledge, J M
Camp, A G	Langhorne, Maurice	Spears, J W
Clinton, John A	Lucas, C A E	Sandlin, J H
Cooper, J M	Lane, John G	Turner, C M
Crawford, W W	McFarland, Daniel	Turner, Wm S
Davis, Wm C	McFarland, Henderson	Tippet, Wm B
Dennard, John	Martin, N M	Turner, D C
Doyle, J M	Miller, M	Williams, Simeon
Evans, J R	Mordano, T	Williams, E B
Frank, Wm L	Nickerson, E T	Ward, Ambrose

Total—71.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Doyle, John M (1855)	Nickerson, J W	Doyle, John M
Nickerson, J W	Sandlin, J H	Miller, M
Pressnall, John (1855)	Turner, D C	Nickerson, J W
Sandlin, J H (1855)	Williams, E B	Pressnall, John
Deck, B P	Deck, B P	Sandlin, J H
McCarty, J A		Turner, D C
Scarborough, M D		Williams, E B
Smith, M C		

*Affiliated*—L. Flemming, M. W. Miller, T. Mordano.

*Demitted*—J. M. Cooper, C. W. Horrell, David Lawrence, J. W. Spears,  
Wm. B. Tippet, D. C. Turner.

*Died*—Philip Blessing.

*Stricken from the Roll*—A. E. Clemmons.

*Suspended*—Joshua Hill.

## OLIVE LODGE, NO. 52.

*Clinton, Parish of East Feliciana, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Munday, G W.....	W M	D'Armond, J G.....	Secretary
McGhee, Thomas L.....	S W	Bishop, Thos W.....	S D
Meyer, Moses.....	J W	Haynes, Bythell.....	J D
Kahn, S.....	Treasurer	Ross, E.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Adams, Thomas	Gurney, Wm, Sr	Nesom, James
Beauchamp, D S	Hawford, Henry	Norwood, D C
Barnes, E W	Harvey, F R	O'Reilly, Wm H
Bennett, Thomas	Harrison, John	Offett, Wm
Bowman, C D	Hendrix, Wm H	Pipes, Alex S
Booker, Wm	Hatcher, Samuel	Perkins, Munroe
Brown, Irvine	Haney, P J	Reese, Geo W
Barton, Robt	Hall, S J	Robbins, Thos W
Brown, R S	Higginbotham, J B	Rogers, Samuel T
Brown, J P	Hatchell, B B	Sadler, Wm
Butterly, T G	Heitzler, John	Smith, James B
Bloom, Solomon	Jordan, Wm M	Skarzynski, A
Beechens, Hy S	Jackson, R A	Shelton, J R
Barnett, Joel W	Knight, N A	Seals, L J
Chapman, W W	Kernan, Wm F	Stokes, E C
Cobb, W H	Kerby, Pleasant	Taylor, John F

## MEMBERS.

Castello, J J	Killbourne, J G	Taylor, James S
Capshaw, J M	Latham, G A	Thoms, A D
Delee, A W	Lusk, John	Tubbeville, Richard
Edwards, G W	Mills, M G	White, F K
Eddards, O G	Myers, Jas H	Wood, John W
Frank, Manual	McGuffy, Hardy	Wall, Isaac
Fawver, Wm N	McMillan, D C	Whitley, P J
Gayle, W D	Myers, Wm	Womack, A M
Gayle, Caleb O	Montgomery, John R	Worms, Augustus

Total—83.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Bishop, T W	Bishop, T W	Bishop, T W
Higginbotham, J B	Barnett, Joel W	Barnett, Joel W
Hatchell, B B	Higginbotham, J B	Higginbotham, J B
Heitzler, John	Hatchell, B B	Hatchell, B B
Craig, J M	Heitzler, John	Heitzler, John
Kent, S B	Lusk, John	Lusk, John
Dreher, R J	Womack, A M	Womack, A M
	Dreher, R J	

*Affiliated*—G. A. Latham, Augustus Worms.*Demitted*—D. S. Beauchamp, Wm. Gurney, D. C. McMillan, James R. Shelton, John F. Taylor.*Died*—Pleasant Kerby, M. G. Mills, Wm. H. O'Reilly.*Stricken from the Roll*—Thomas Bennett, C. D. Bowman, J. M. Capshaw, Henry Hawford, John Harrison, W. H. Hendrix, Samuel Hatcher, Wm. Offett, A. Skarzynski, J. S. Taylor, A. D. Thoms, F. K. White, Monroe Perkins.*Suspended*—Robert A. Jackson.

## UNION FRATERNAL LODGE, NO. 53.

*Farmersville, Union Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Regenburg, Henry.....	W M	Arent, David.....	Secretary
Smith, Wm C.....	S W	Findley, T B.....	S D
Hall, Wm C.....	J W	Bird, V J.....	J D
Carson, M S.....	Treasurer	Bransford, J A.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Auld, James A	Culberson, Wm H	McFarland, M
Anders, John	Carr, Allen	McFarland, W A
Barton, C T	Dillard, B F	McGough, W S
Bayless, John A	Farmer, B F	Morrison, D C
Brown, G J	Farrar, J S J	Nyegaard, J C L
Bilberry, E B	Gilbert, Wm T	Robinson, J B
Bilberry, J G	Glasson, Wm A	Raney, Wm J
Betterton, N	Granger, A H	Shlenker, Alex
Baker, Joseph	Honeycut, Alfred	Taylor, J G
Barrett, J L	Ham, H H	Tubb, B M
Carr, Wm C	Kolb, J G	Windes, E B
Carson, James H	Lee, James E	Ward, E H
Carson, Wm H	March, Henry	Willhite, T

Total—47.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Feazel, Michael	Tubb, B M	Tubb, B M
Odom, P		

*Demitted*—J. G. Brown, Jos. Baker, W. C. Carr, M. McFarland, B. M. Tubb.

*Died*—John A. Bayless.

*Re-instated*—J. G. Brown.

## MOUNT GERIZIM LODGE, NO. 54.

*Bastrop, Morehouse Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Jelks, Geo W.....	W M	McMurtry, W L.....	Secretary
Brice, Julius M.....	S W	Davenport, F J.....	S D
Hough, John E S.....	J W	Tisdale, Geo F.....	J D
Sharp, Geo D.....	Treasurer	Davenport, A S.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Alford, Warren	McIver, A	Stevenson, R W
Boyd, Joseph	McKain, John	Smith, Daniel
Cherry, A W	Montgomery, J T	Vick, V C
Dean, Robert	McKay, T J	Wiseman, J G
Dyer, Wm	McGowen, J E	Ward, W
Davis, S C	Newton, Daniel	Webb, James M
Dobey, H K	Robertson, John V	Westmoreland, J W
Davis, Jas L	Ryon, P M	Wadlington, W H
Harper, A D	Stewart, John B	Williams, John R
Hendrick, R C	Sisson, J E	Whittington, W R
Jones, R H	Smith, N	Total—40.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

## INITIATED.

Humbert, Geo J

## PASSED.

## RAISED.

*Affiliated*—James L. Davis, J. E. McGowen, W. R. Whittington.*Demitted*—John B. Stewart, J. G. Wiseman.*Died*—S. C. Davis, A. McIver, W. Ward.*Re-instated*—H. K. Dobey.

## DE SOTO LODGE, NO. 55.

*Mansfield, De Soto Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Sutherlin, John H.....	W M	Sutherlin, N A.....	Secretary
Phifer, Silas.....	S W	Snider, Gilderoy.....	S D
Pegues, Samuel L.....	J W	Buchanan, M G.....	J D
Jackson, J S.....	Treasurer	Herren, W F.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Arrington, J M N	Eckerman, Z D	Oldham, John A
Brodnax, T W	Gibson, W T	Phillips, H J
Barker, B P	Johns, Abel	Rucker, Burton
Brown, Israel	Jackson, W R	Scales, T C
Burns, G C	Jackson, T D	Stewart, James
Carroll, A O	Jeffries, T D	Steele, J G
Coursey, Rev P W	Laird, D J	Sutherlin, G H
Carroll, F L	Lewis, Martin	Sheppard, James H
Carroll, Joseph A	Newton, Dr C E	Shelley, W H
Davis, W J		Total—36.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Barker, B P	Barker, B P	Barker, B P
Brown, Israel	Brown, Israel	Brown, Israel
Coursey, Rev C W	Coursey, Rev C W	Coursey, Rev C W
Carroll, F L	Carroll, F L	Carroll, F L
Carroll, J A	Carroll, J A	Carroll, J A
Shelley, W H	Shelley, W H	Eckerman, Z D
		Shelley, W H

*Demitted*—F. L. Carroll, J. A. Carroll, G. C. Burns.*Died*—T. D. Jackson, John A. Oldham.*Re-instated*—G. C. Burns.

## LAFAYETTE LODGE, NO. 56.

*Vernon, Parish of Jackson, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Morris, Jesse M.....	W M	Ryan, J R.....	Secretary
Herlong, C A C.....	S W	Pratt, Hampton.....	S D
Randle, John G.....	J W	Kidd, M B.....	J D
Lewis, Wm.....	Treasurer	Defreese, B L.....	Chaplain
Everitt, R B.....		Tyler	

## MEMBERS.

Ashley, M W	Glass, Thomas	Perry, J P
Arnold, J W	Hart, S E	Rogers, Madison
Barr, James	Hargrove, J M	Stell, J W
Brantley, B F	Johnson, M	Smith, Alex
Barnes, Wm	Jones, J C	Scarborough, A J
Bryan, W A	Jamison, H	Sewell, A C
Byrn, James P	Kennedy, D H	Scott, H M
Butler, C Q	King, P G	Snipes, R P
Clayton, James	Killen, G W	Trask, Stetson
Caver, S R	Kennedy, James A	Upchurch, Thomas
Cullin, Benj	Murphy, Wm	Weeks, J C
Cook, Robert	McDonald, W B	Weeks, W S
Coon, J A	Miles, J A	Williams, Wilson
Embry, J M	McLeroy, T W	Womack, Abe
Erranton, J M	McVickers, D	Wilson, T F
Graves, B B	Prestridge, J J	Total—56.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Brantley, B F	Brantley, B F	Brantley, B F
Murphy, Wm	Murphy, Wm	Murphy, Wm
Robinson, Jeremiah	Robinson, Jeremiah	
Pool, Wade	Pool, Wade	

*Affiliated*—James Barr, Wm. Lewis, Thomas Upchurch.



*Demitted*—J. W. Arnold, C. Q. Butler, James Clayton, G. W. Killen,  
Wm. Lewis, A. J. Scarborough.

*Died*—H. M. Scott.

## FRANKLIN LODGE, NO. 57.

*Franklin, Parish of St. Mary, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Smith, C M.....	W M	Gordy, John C.....	Secretary
Smith, H H.....	S W	Curtis, Lewis R.....	S D
Olivier, Adolphus.....	J W	Henderson, John P.....	J D
McKerrall, Wilson.....	Treasurer	Hungerford, Wm .....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Allen, Shakspeare	Hawkins, J S	Pyson, A J
Allen, Elihu	Hudgins, H H	Richardson, F D
Berwick, Nathan	Hudson, B	Read, R H
Boyle, Wm	Heaton, A	Roane, S B
Carey, W S	Howle, E	Rymes, W L
Constant, E D	Kilgore, Wm	Smith, Charles
Fassitt, C R	Lacey, J E	Smith, W C
Findley, John	Levy, Isaac	Smith, John A
Fuller, E W	Lewis, J C	Stansbury, Horatio
Fountaine, J T	Martin, Thomas	Smoot, B F
Gadsbury, Thomas	Mathews, W H	Saunders, E E
Garrett, M A	McCarty, J A	Stanard, H C
Gordy, M T	Milliard, N P	Tucot, Martin
Godecheaux, David	McKerrall, Watson	Wilson, H C
Hanson, L A	Pumphrey, Wm	
Hatcher, R	Pumphrey, Addison	
		Total—54.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Boyle, Wm	Boyle, Wm	Boyle, Wm
Lewis, J C	Lewis, J C	Lewis, J C
Olivier, Adolphus	Olivier, Adolphus	Olivier, Adolphus
Stanard, H C	Stanard, H C	Stanard, H C
Fowler, Allen	Heard, Wm C	
Hawthorn, Adam	Hawthorn, Adam	
Harding, Lyman		
Palfrey, W T		
Todd, James		

*Demitted*—N. Berwick, Wm. Kilgore, J. C. Lewis, Thomas Martin, J. A. McCarty, W L Rymes.

*Suspended*—Horatio Stansbury.

## FRIENDS OF HARMONY LODGE, NO. 58.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts., New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Harby, Samuel.....	W M	De Sola, A.....	Secretary
Gomila, John.....	S W	Kells, C E.....	S D
Da Silva, B.....	J W	Brennan, John.....	J D
Williams, Henry.....	Treasurer	Trelford, Wm.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Burk, R S	Holland, J H	Ogelvie, Charles
Bradsted, C D S	Hart, Isaac, Jr	Pignuolo, John B
Bowden, Arthur	Hernandez, A	Patton, Francis
Bates, J G	Hyland, Lawrence	Rickert, Francis
Bowers, Lewis	Howes, Robert	Rhoades, Richard

## MEMBERS.

Balch, A L	Hart, F W	Royal, Charles
Booth, Edward	Hiller, A	Stevenson, W W
Charier, A	Holland, W H	Smith, N P
Cognivich, Anthony	Jorda, Thomas	Solomon, L J
Coburn, Robt	Kean, R W	Smith, Thomas R
Clark, J H	Keaghey, R S	Smith, R D
Carlin, James	Longfield, Thomas	Shonfeldt, Solomon
Cortissoz, A J	Leech, Jos	Smith, John C
De la Cruz, Ramon	Lang, Emanuel	Selby, James
Davis, James	Laurent, A P	Solomon, S P
Dean, John	Leja, H V	Simmons, J H
Dias, A H L	Lockwood, J B	Trelford, Alex
De Castro, J O	Mineri, G	Trelford, W J
Eagan, J C	McQuoid, James	Thisted, N P
Forshee, Peter	Mayer, Leon	Thomas, John
Fielding, Thos	Moody, Robt	Turner, Robert C
Fowler, John	Moore, Wm	Thackeray, Richard
Fendler, Emanuel	Morphy, Jas	Vidor, Charles
Gowan, G B	McDonald, D B	Wilner, J C
Goslenski, G	Marks, H	Wallace, James
Gale, James	Moore, David	Williamson, Augustus
Gracey, R B	Nathan, Samuel	Young, Christian
Gedeon, Joseph	Ochiglevich, John	Young, Christian J
Gondie, G F	O'Grady, J H	Total—94.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Brennan, John	Balch, A L	Balch, A L
Booth, Edward	Brennan, John	Brennan, John
Carlin, James	Booth, Edward	Booth, Edward
Cortissoz, A J	Carlin, James	Charier, A
De Castro, J O	Cortissoz, A J	Carlin, James
Fendler, E	De Castro, J O	Cortissoz, A J
Gedeon, Joseph	Fendler, E	De Castro, J O
Gondie, G F	Gedeon, Joseph	Fendler, E
Holland, W H	Gondie, G F	Gedeon, Joseph

INITIATED.	PASSED. -	RAISED.
Keaghey, Robt S	Holland, W H	Gondie, G F
Marks, H	Jorda, Thomas	Holland, W H
Moore, David	Kells, Charles E	Jorda, Thomas
O'Grady, John H	Keaghey, Robt S	Kells, Charles E
Royal, Charles	McDonald, D B	Keaghey, Robt S
Semmons, J H	Marks, H	Lockwood, J B
Burns, Henry	Moore, David	McDonald, D B
Elmore, D M	O'Grady, John H	Marks, H
Hirsh, Morris	Royal, Charles	Moore, David
Herwig, E F	Semmons, J H	O'Grady, John H
Jungels, J	Thackeray, Richard	Royal, Charles
Kraft, F A	Ackley, Albert G	Semmons, J H
King, Geo	Gilmore, John S	Thackeray, Richard
Mercadel, F, Jr		
Marks, Washington		

*Affiliated*—John H. Clark.

*Demitted*—James C. Eagan, Isaac Hart, Jr., S. P. Solomon, Charles Vidor.

*Died*—N. P. Smith.

## MOUNT MORIAH LODGE, NO. 59.

*Odd Fellows' Hall, cor. Camp and Lafayette Sts., N. O.*

### OFFICERS.

Watts, J T.....	W M	Furneaux, James.....	Secretary
Booth, J.....	S W	Ahern, D J.....	S D
Sandford, T.....	J W	Ewing, Wm.....	J D
McCulloch, Wm.....	Treasurer	Dunlap, J G.....	Chaplain
Monson, P.....		Tyler	

## MEMBERS.

Anderson, John	Gliddon, W A	Potthoff, Chas
Brown, R	Gliddon, H A	Phillips, R S
Bier, H	Guthiem, J K	Payson, A
Baldry, S	Gubernator, J L	Pasley, J
Baldwin, J T	Gagnet, L	Pendleton, W E
Boulware, A	Gillmore, W T	Purves, Geo
Boole, T	Harder, D N	Pooley, J C
Benson, G	Harris, J L	Pray, A A
Beebe, D	Hunly, H L	Phillips, W B
Boyle, J W	Haner, H	Powers, Jas
Bensadon, Joseph	Howell, J M	Porter, T K
Behan, J H	Hodgkins, W F	Rose, J C
Barrera, A	Hawes, Sam'l	Race, G W
Bonzano, H	Hobson, J	Reese, W F
Brewer, T F	Heron, A C	Reed, J W
Bleyman, C	Hackney, N J	Rutherford, C M
Black, J W	Hibbin, James	Richards, W T
Byington, F	Hans, M	Rollins, A
Barlow, H M	Hill, W P	Ross, E M
Bragg, T F	Jacobs, E	Roquest, E H
Bennett, B T K	Jackson, A O	Roberts, U C
Bauduc, F J	Jones, A	Roberts, A C
Blakeney, W	James, W A	Redding, W E
Bidwell, H	Jacobs, Isaac	Rutherford, G V
Bosworth, W	Knapp, F H	Rogers, C J
Butler, E S	Knight, A G	Rosenfield, L
Baker, J	Long, D A	Stroud, John
Batson, W N	Little, R	St. Levy, Jas
Berner, E	Luhman, W	Stanly, H H
Burns, J	Laughlin, T O	Shields, T H
Barnes, E W	Lugenbuhl, J J	Shaw, G W
Conniff, P	Lyness, J	Sheppard, Joseph
Cheesborough, J B	Lee, W D	Smith, W T
Collins, J K	Labalestier, J	Stewart, W
Cohen, B	Minister, R H	Snow, E L
Chase, C H	Mitchell, John	Sullivan, T

## MEMBERS.

Carey, R	Miller, H C	Sinclair, J
Chism, Geo	McIntosh, W K	Storer, C A
Cook, W B	Macaulay, D	Slemmer, J
Chilton, R H	Michell, S C	Sprague, S
Chevalier, E	McCulloch, J	Stockton, J T
Clough, J	McWhan, T	Sharp, Isaac
Dodge, L W	Murray, T	Sprague, J K
Dodge, L J	McLelland, W M	Smith, R V
Dodd, J W	Morgan, J C	Studley, J B
Donaghue, W H	McGuigin, P	Sandford, A W
Dunham, J E	Moorehouse, J	Towne, A
Davis, Jas	Morse, R S	Taylor, L J
Dunwell, G E	McMasters, W	Titus, J L
Dows, J L	Marr, G W H	Van Houton, J
Douglas, J	Mortimer, C E	Vass, R C
Emerson, C M	Miltenberger, C A	Woods, A
Estlin, R W	Moore, J H	Warner, J L
Eckert, J H	Menzies, J	Wilson, H A
Ewing, W	Mayer, H	Wolfe, J
Ewing, C W	Milliken, M J	Wilson, W C
Font, J S	Magee, P	Wade, R J
Ferguson, J A	McBurney, T	Wells, W
Forno, H	Nicol, W	Winslow, M
Fuller, J D	Nicols, J	Watts, W C
Farwell, C A	Nye, A	Weems, A W
Fowler, D H	O'Leary, M	Watson, J S
Graham, Geo	O'Dowd, A	Total—197.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Burns, J	Burns, J	Ahern, D J
Barnes, E W	Barnes, E W	Burns, J
Chilton, R H	Cook, W B	Barnes, E W
Clough, J	Chilton, R H	Cook, W B
Douglas, J	Clough, J	Chilton, R H
Dodge, L J	Douglas, J	Clough, J

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Ewing, W	Dodge, L J	Douglas, J
Gillmore, W T	Ewing, W	Dodge, L J
Hackney, N J	Gillmore, W T	Ewing, W
Hibbin, Jas	Hackney, N J	Gillmore, W T
Hans, M	Hibbin, Jas	Heron, A C
Jacobs, Isaac	Hans, M	Hackney, N J
Lee, W D	Jacobs, Isaac	Hibbin, Jas
Moore, J H	Lee, W D	Hans, M
Menzies, J	Moore, J H	Jacobs, Isaac
Mayer, H	Menzies, J	Lee, W D
Milliken, M J	Mayer, H	Moore, J H
Magee, P	Milliken, M J	Menzies, J
McBurney, T	Magee, P	Mayer, H
Powers, Jas	McBurney, T	Milliken, M J
Porter, T K	Powers, Jas	Magee, P
Rogers, C J	Porter, T K	McBurney, T
Studley, J B	Rutherford, G V	Powers, Jas
Sandford, A W	Rogers, C J	Porter, T K
Sandford, T	Studley, J B	Rollins, A
Weems, A W	Sandford, A W	Roberts, A C
Watson, J S	Sandford, T	Redding, W E
Dunbar, G G	Weems, A W	Rutherford, G V
Wiley, E W	Watson, J S	Rogers, C J
Bradbury, J A	Dunbar, G G	Sharp, Isaac
Durand, N	Gillmore, J B	Smith, R V
Hobday, Chas	Kinchin, A W	Studley, J B
Kelly, E C	Thayer, Theophilus	Sandford, A W
Laws, A S	Wiley, E W	Sandford, T
Miller, G W		Vass, R C
Mackin, P W		Weems, A W
Wilkinson, R A		Watson, J S
Stith, Gerard		

*Affiliated*—E. Chevalier, W. Ewing, C. W. Ewing, W. P. Hill, J. Labalestier, L. Rosenfield.

*Demitted*—L. W. Dodge, L. J. Dodge, D. N. Harder, D. A. Long, John Mitchell, Chas. Potthoff, J. Stroud, F. Britton, (E. A.)

*Died*—P. Conniff, H. C. Miller, R. H. Minister, R. S. Phillips.

## WESTERN STAR LODGE, NO. 61.

*Monroe, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Slack, S L.....	W M	Gerson, H.....	Secretary
McGuire, J F.....	S W	Richardson, J G.....	S D
Atkins, John.....	J W	Naughton, Thos.....	J D
McGuire, J A.....	Treasurer	Stevens, C S.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Baker, W J Q	Jones, Osborn	Roane, E H
Crane, Edmund	King, G	Rodgers, W H
Dobbs, C H	Kinney, J E	Slaughter, H H
Delery, Chas	Knowles, J S	Stubbs, F P
Delauny, F L	McGuire, R F	Sterling, J T
Essick, George	McCormick, F L	Sanford, A W
Faulk, David	McEnery, J D	Sanford, D B
Floyd, J L	Moran, E	Stewart, J M
Fenner, J F	Marshall, W E	Stocks, J G
Garrett, Isaiah	Mitchell, J H	Trousdale, D B
Hasley, D	Pierce, N U	Trippett, R
Hughes, Wm	Phillips, T W	Willson, R J
Johnson, W K	Richardson, R W	Wisenor, M H

Total—47.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Floyd, J L	Floyd, J L	Floyd, J L
Jones, Osborn	Jones, Osborn	Jones, Osborn
Hoffman, J	Hoffman, J	
Boazman, S	Scarborough, J F	

*Affiliated*—W. E. Marshall, S. L. Slack.*Demitted*—J. B. Knowles, J. G. Stocks.



## TUNICA LODGE, NO. 63.

*Tunica Landing, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Cox, W T.....	W M	Brown, Asa.....	Secretary
Day, Roland.....	S W	Day, M P.....	S D
Seeders, Jno J.....	J W	White, W B.....	J D
Hobgood, Henry.....	Treasurer	Dawson, W H.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Burgess, G W	Hogan, James	Quine, W R
Babbitt, F H	Keller, W B	Robinson, N E
Cook, George	Keller, L	Rodney, W O
Callahan, H G	Lewis, T H	Robinson, Burgess
Clark, G R	Leatherman, D	Smith, Samuel
Curry, G A	Leonard, T W	Smith, James
Dorman, Perry	Miles, Benjamin	Sullivan, Warren
Davis, Jas	McElwee, J L	Westbrook, Uriah
Doherty, S C	Mershon, J R	White, H K
Flowers, E A	Martin, L H	Ward, T C
Hicks, J B	Martin, T B	Total—40.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Babbitt, F H	Babbitt, F H	Babbitt, F H
Brown, Asa	Brown, Asa	Brown, Asa
Doherty, S C	Doherty, S C	Doherty, S C
Leatherman, D	Leatherman, D	Leatherman, D
Mershon, J R	Mershon, J R	Mershon, J R
Martin, T B	Martin, T B	Martin, T B
Sullivan, W	Sullivan, W	Sullivan, W
Walker, L H	White, W B	White, W B
Owen, A N	Walker, L H	
Parker, T W	Parker, T W	

*Affiliated*—L. H. Martin.*Demitted*—G. R. Clark, T. W. Leonard, N. E. Robinson.*Stricken from the Roll*—James Hogan.

## GEORGE WASHINGTON LODGE, NO. 65.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, cor. St. Charles and Perdido Sts., N. O.*

## OFFICERS.

Scot, Jas B.....	W M	Risk, S G.....	Secretary
Evans, G P.....	S W	Biguenet, John.....	S D
Bell, W O.....	J W	Sontag, G.....	J D
Steffens, Wm.....	Treasurer	Hedges, Rev C S.....	Chaplain
Chellet, Joseph (not a member).....		Tyler	

## MEMBERS.

Benedict, N	Grissam, C W	Parke, W C
Brady, T R	Graner, A	Quayle, J
Brand, R A	Gilmore, J D	Ricardo, D I
Bothick, T W	Galpin, John	Reeve, J M
Buckholtz, H P	Haney, Thos	Raymond, Chas
Burns, Jas	Harrison, Daniel	Reynaud, H S
Boswell, T E	Haber, A	Swasey, H R
Bidwell, D	Hamburger, H	Shumway, Sam'l
Boulet, Alex	Harris, Wm H	Sullivan, J X
Bowers, G Vining	Herschfeldt, H	Summers, H M
Clark, J D	Iscnhouer, J E	Seger, A B
Cutter, B L	Isaard, Smith	Short, R H
Carter, J H	Johnson, E	Sill, John R
Crary, J W	James, W H	Stevens, Jas
Covert, A M	Kilpatrick, W W	Sandak, J
Cline, Wm	Kowalski, B	Smith, Mark
Christian, P J	Kuhnholz, F J	Stewart, Chas A
Cassiday, Hugh	Kyes, John B	Stewart, C S
Dentzel, F A	Küchler, C	Slack, S L
Dick, T W	Kelly, John S	Shields, John
Dirmeyer, G W	Littlejohn, J	Thomasson, C
De Young, A	Levy, Alex	Templeton, W C
Dias, E	Lawrence, R B	Touro, John
Donniker, J B	Milliken, Richard	Vidal, Manuel
Ebeling, Henry	Mathews, T L	Wilson, W A

## MEMBERS.

Evans, C E	Moynan, A F	Wilbur, A C
Foute, M A	Marshall, F	Weaver, G J
Freeland, Thos	McClure, J E	Wingard, J C
Fenner, Robert	McConnell, J B	Watkins, J A
Farrell, M J	McDougall, A	Wasson, Alex
Florat, J A	McLary, John	White, C W
Fulton, S H	McLaughlin, J	Walker, Chas
Ford, Chas	McMillen, Wm	Warnke, John
Greenfield, Thos	Nixon, Jas	Yost, R S
Grither, Joseph	Ott, Geo H	Total—112.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

## INITIATED.

Bowers, G V  
 Cassiday, Hugh  
 Lawrence, R B  
 McDougall, A  
 Shields, John  
 Walker, Chas  
 Warnke, John  
 Bleakley, Geo  
 Easley, J W  
 Jarret, P E  
 Knight, W R  
 Phelan, Wm H  
 Simpson, D F  
 Sweet, A W  
 Woods, David

## PASSED.

Bowers, G V  
 Cassiday, Hugh  
 Lawrence, R B  
 McDougall, A  
 Shields, John  
 Walker, Chas  
 Warnke, John  
 Bleakley, Geo

## RAISED.

Bowers, G V  
 Cassiday, Hugh  
 Ford, Chas  
 Haney, Thos  
 Lawrence, R B  
 McDougall, A  
 Shields, John  
 Walker, Chas  
 Warnke, John

*Affiliated*—E. Dias, J. B. Donniker, Rev. C. S. Hedges, J. S. Kelly,  
 S. L. Slack, C. E. Evans.

*Demitted*—A. Haber, Sam'l Shumway, James Stevens, S. L. Slack.

*Died*—Wm. H. Harris, W. W. Kilpatrick, J. X. Sullivan.

## DUDLEY LODGE, NO. 66.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts., New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Crenshaw, H M.....	W M	Sharp, C S.....	Secretary
Van Horn, T D.....	S W	Stewart, W H.....	S D
Guillet, S J.....	J W	Coupland, W G.....	J D
Beebe, H.....	Treasurer	Chellet, Joseph.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Adams, L	Fleischer, J A	Montgomery, R M
Benedict, Thomas B	Gallagher, J J	Meugens, H
Buhler, F R	Gladden, A H	Reynolds, S
Bauvais, W S	Griffith, J V B	Schubert, F
Bennett, H	Glenn, Archibald	Sullivan, M
Benedict, N B	Heuchert, H	Stoulig, P
Cohn, Solomon	Hall, J W	Schweininger, J
Coleman, W P	Jacobs, T N	Scott, W T
Coleman, L	Klopman, L	Snodgrass, S
Cooper, Wm	Keaghey, J L	Smith, J
Diamond, Charles	Kamper, J D	Sabine, C S
Dobbins, S D	Lemon, Robt	Thompson, W J
Davis, M G	Lemon, James	Tarbell, B
Dunn, James	Low, B M, Jr	Williams, V
Estlin, C T	Lemon, Harris	Walker, S R
Ezekiel, A T	Mackay, T G	Zcoller, F C
Forshey, W G	Marks, Theodore	Total—57.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Beebe, H	Beebe, H	Beebe, H
Coupland, W G	Coupland, W G	Coupland, W G
Griffith, J V B (1856)	Griffith, J V B (1856)	Griffith, J V B
Guillet, S J	Guillet, S J	Guillet, S J
Low, B M, Jr	Low, B M, Jr	Low, B M, Jr
Meugens, H	Meugens, H	Meugens, H

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Sharp, C S	Sharp, C S	Sharp, C S
Thompson, W J	Thompson, W J	Thompson, W J
Van Horn, T D	Van Horn, T D	Van Horn, T D
Bauvais, R (1856)	Bauvais, R (1856)	
Mahaffy, A J	Mahaffy, A J	
Gennison, J H		
Jackson, A C		
Richardson, J B		
Siers, R P		
Thompson, E		
Wells, W F		
Willson, W E		

*Affiliated*—Wm. Cooper, S. D. Dobbins, A. Glenn, J. W. Hall, T. N. Jacobs, S. L. Keaghey, Robt. Lemon, James Lemon, H. Lemon, T. G. Mackay, R. M. Montgomery, J. Smith, C. S. Sabine, B. Tarbell.

*Demitted*—T. B. Benedict, A. T. Ezekiel, J. A. Fleischer, J. D. Kemper, H. Lemon, P. Stoulig, F. C. Zeoller.

*Died*—James Dunn, J. L. Keaghey.

*Stricken from the Roll*—V. Williams.

*Reinstated*—F. Schubert.

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### MARION LODGE, NO. 68.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts., New Orleans.*

#### OFFICERS.

Fellows, J Q A.....	W M	Beers, J S, Jr.....	Secretary
Hedges, T F.....	S W	Seruggs, D E.....	S D
Beers, A P.....	J W	Walters, C.....	J D
Perkins, Wm M.....	Treasurer	Wolf, B J.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Alfred, A F	Green, A P	Price, Pere
Angel, Richard	Grayson, W P	Pennington, S F
Anderson, P F	Gardiner, L H	Power, J L
Bowman, John	Gordon, Charles	Pike, Albert
Buckley, H P	Greenleaf, H L	Peet, Geo A
Bain, George	Goodwyn, G W W	Robertson, J B
Beebe, W J	Horner, C W	Reynolds, L E
Betterton, W G	Hoppe, J J	Reynolds, H W
Bein, Richard	Hodges, Henry	Reynolds, J
Benson, Joseph	Harrison, Daniel	Rondeau, W H
Brown, J B	Hewitt, W A	Robinson, H M
Blessey, E	Hufty, Joseph	Riggin, J H
Briard, Samuel	Hill, Artemon	Rickarby, W D
Brown, R H	Howard, B C	Redman, Ambrose
Blair, J J	Johnson, W W	Ring, Geo P
Coeler, F W	Killili, C	Riordan, M
Corporal, P	Kendall, G W	Raroshide, Geo
Colton, D E	Keeffe, Thomas	Scott, George
Churchill, S B	Lindsay, James	Schmidt, Chas
Cornell, Geo P	Ludwigson, J H	Shaw, Frank, Jr
Cresup, H B	Ludwigson, F L K	Shook, Isaac
Clark, Moses	Louderbough, Morris	Strenna, John
Cripps, Thomas	Logan, D D O	Stephenson, John A
Cabiness, T B	Logan, J G	Scales, W D
Dennis, Nicholas	Lee, J M	Swan, J S
Daniels, Peter	Meseritz, B O	Shryock, John
Daniel, J J	Middleton, W G	Simonds, J S
Dorsey, Orlando	McIntyre, Alex	Turner, J P
Driver, W C	Moodie, James	Todd, Sam'l M
DeBaun, James	McIntire, J S	Terrell, W H
Dentzel, H H	Middlemiss, Peter	Timmins, W C
Davis, Michael	Mayer, Louis	Wilson, James
Deneuf bourg, L F	Nash, C T	Williamson, Nathaniel
Ferguson, S G	Noreom, W R	Wilson, E H
Freeman, W J	Oliver, Robt	Watson, Robt
Flemming, W A	Paxton, W H	Weymouth, J M
Gruman, S E	Parmeie, F F	Wilkins, A A

Total—118.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Davis, Michael	Davis, Michael	Blair, J J
Deneufbourg, L F	Deneufbourg, L F	Davis, Michael
Gordon, Charles	Gordon, Charles	Deneufbourg, L F
Greenleaf, H L	Greenleaf, H L	Gordon, Charles
Logan, D D O	Logan, D D O	Greenleaf, H L
Logan, J G	Logan, J G	Logan, D D O
Peet, Geo A	Peet, Geo A	Logan, J G
Simonds, J S	Simonds, J S	Peet, Geo A
Timmins, W C	Timmins, W C	Simonds, J S
Dunning, O K		Timmins, W C
Logan, G W, Jr		
Mackinson, James		
Robinson, W L		
Wicks, August		

*Affiliated*—R. H. Brown, T. B. Cabiness, G. W. W. Goodwyn, J. M. Lee, J. L. Power, Albert Pike.

*Demitted*—J. B. Brown, S. B. Churchill, W. C. Driver, S. E. Gruman, B. C. Howard, W. W. Johnson, George Scott.

*Died*—W. G. Middleton, W. D. Scales.

*Stricken from the Roll*—J. J. Hoppe.

*Suspended*—A. T. Alfred.

## HIRAM LODGE, NO. 70.

*Grand Lodge, Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts., New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Solomon, S P.....	W M	Maguire, J P A.....	Secretary
Carroll, T.....	S W	Hill, James.....	S D
Wells, E.....	J W	Everett, H C.....	J D
Guthrie, James.....	Treasurer	Hertz, L.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bochler, J A	Hunt, Edward	McClosky, C
Brady, J M C	Hunt, R R	Newton, C W
Baynham, Wm	Haslang, John	Newcomb, W W
Breeden, Mark	Johnson, J T	Norcross, J R
Bevin, Geo	Kavanagh, P	Peel, Matt
Canfield, John	Kuchenthal, E	Rumsey, H R
Dolan, Wm	Kendall, J G	Robinson, Arthur
Donniker, J B	Labarthe, J J	Robertson, A R
Fitzpatrick, T L	Latham, Wm H	Ross, A J
Garrett, E O	McNamara, Robt	Richardson, John
Gardiner, S	Medd, Jas	Smithers, J C
Gogarty, Christopher	Moreau, B	Tilton, W C
Haislet, Joseph	McConnell, M	Ward, James
Hardie, C L	Maire, Alfred	Whitworth, J
Hawkins, Daniel	Mitchell, Michael	Total—51.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Bevin, Geo	Bevin, Geo	Bevin, Geo
Canfield, John	Canfield, John	Canfield, John
Hill, James	Hill, James	Hunt, R R
Haslang, John	Haslang, John	Hill, James
McClosky, C	McClosky, C	Haslang, John
Richardson, John	Richardson, John	McClosky, C
		Richardson, John

*Affiliated*—S. P. Solomon.

*Demitted*—Geo. Bevin, J. B. Donniker, John Haslang, C. W. Newton, J. Richardson, D. Stoddard, (in 1856.)

*Died*—T. L. Fitzpatrick, J. R. Norcross, J. C. Smithers.

*Suspended*—Daniel Hawkins.



## ALPHA LODGE, NO. 72.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts., New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Bockius, J M.....	W M	Shaw, Alfred.....	Secretary
Bishop, S L.....	S W	Craig, E D.....	S D
Hayes, G B.....	J W	Williams, W L.....	J D
Gensler, S.....	Treasurer	Chellet, Joseph.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allen, N W	Hill, John	Payne, C B
Barnie, C S	Hire, W H	Perret, P C
Barrett, H W	Harris, J C	Pettingill, W S
Beckley, W F	Huckins, J H	Place, H
Beard, C C	Hutchings, W H	Robertson, R A
Bell, W R	Hornsby, C C	Roca, F
Benedict, P	Honold, F	Ruckert, J T
Bevan, G	Ingham, H G	Selleck, S S
Barry, D	Jaquess, J A	Shaw, W W
Campbell, C C	Keenan, P H	Shelden, A P
Cotton, J A	Lampton, W	Smith, H
Chapsky, A	Long, H W	Stamps, J D
Danziger, S	Maguire, J W	Strong, H
Davis, C H	Mancosas, P F	Taylor, J C
Donald, Samuel	McGregor, Wm	Turek, J R
Galpin, Samuel	Morrison, T	Williamson, A C
Gregory, R A	Mitchell, D F	Whipple, J B
Glennon, R	Olroyd, F	
Howell, R K	Oppenheim, B	Total—62.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
McGregor, Wm	Beard, C C	Beard, C C
Morrison, T	Honold, F	Honold, F
Shelden, A P	McGregor, Wm	McGregor, Wm
Duncan, A L	Morrison, T	Morrison, T

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Kitchen, J D	Pettingill, W S	Pettingill, W S
Roll, L W	Shelden, A P	Shelden, A P
Reynolds, H W		
Ryckman, Thomas		
Sherman, H		
Williams, T S		
Schuppert, M		

*Affiliated*—C. S. Barnie, H. W. Barrett, W. R. Bell, C. H. Davis, Sam'l Donald, John Hill, J. H. Huckins, J. A. Jaquess, R. A. Robertson, S. S. Selleck, J. D. Stamps, E. D. Craig.

*Demitted*—S. Danziger, P. H. Keenan, S. S. Selleck.

*Died*—W. W. Shaw.

### JOPPA LODGE, NO. 74.

*Shreveport, Parish of Caddo, La.*

[Charter surrendered July 17th, 1857, and no Returns made.]

### SABINE LODGE, NO. 75.

*Fort Jessup, Sabine, La.*

#### OFFICERS.

Beck, C.....	W M	Dove, J.....	Secretary
Barbee, Leslie.....	S W	— — — — —	S D
Munson, G.....	J W	— — — — —	J D
Snead, A.....	Treasurer	Dove, S.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Curtis, Harvey	Litton, John	Stephens, L E
Carnes, R S	McLemore, N H	Wech, H P
Harris, John	Stephens, J A	Walker, J W
Harris, R J		Total—16.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Carnes, R S	Carnes, R S	Carnes, R S

*Affiliated*—John Harris.

*Reinstated*—N. H. McLemore, J. W. Walker.

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## QUITMAN LODGE, NO. 76.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts., New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Field, Seth R.....	W M	Stansbury, H J.....	Secretary
Peyton, T W.....	S W	Harder, D N.....	S D
Skinner, C P.....	J W	Bartlett, F A.....	J D
Herndon, T C.....	Treasurer	Hertz, L.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Armstead, R C	Holt, G W	Nash, R H
Anthony, J M	Hall, E A	Nicholls, L D
Arnold, J F	Homan, J W	Nicholls, F
Barrett, T W	Holmes, W C	Offergeld, A
Bloomfield, Jr, Wm	Higgins, J P	Olds, A C
Beaman, G M	Harris, M	Palmer, S J
Bloomfield, B	Hart, Archie	Pierce, H T

## MEMBERS.

Bayly, G M	Isaacson, A H	Proctor, F F
Carlton, J S	Johnson, J L	Reed, E
Clark, Chas W	Kellman, F A	Robinson, S B
Carson, R A	Kane, Richard	Silverstein, S
Dix, E H	Knight, John	Searing, T F
Dickey, N L	Langsfield, J H	Seaman, W H
Davenport, Isom	Lyons, G H	Strawbridge, A B
Dirhammer, J M	Leavel, J S	Taylor, W J
Ellison, Jas F	Langdon, John	Tenbrink, Wm
Field, Seaman	Marks, D H	Wingfield, Geo
Fabj, Francis	Myers, Sam'l	Waters, M H
Foster, E J	McCluskey, Mich'l	Wingfield, J H
Gibbs, Wilmot	Mohr, P W	Wells, Geo H
Hanning, John		Total—69.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Anthony, J M	Anthony, J M	Anthony, J M
Arnold, J F	Arnold, J F	Arnold, J F
Bartlett, F A	Bartlett, F A	Bartlett, F A
Clark, Chas W	Clark, Chas W	Clark, Chas W
Dickey, N L	Dickey, N L	Dickey, N L
Davenport, Isom	Davenport, Isom	Davenport, Isom
Dirhammer, J M	Dirhammer, J M	Dirhammer, J M
Hart, Archie	Harris, M	Higgins, J P
Kane, Richard	Hart, Archie	Harris, M
Myers, Sam'l	Kane, Richard	Hart, Archie
McCluskey, M	Myers, Sam'l	Kane, Richard
Mohr, P W	McCluskey, M	Myers, Sam'l
Nicholls, L D	Mohr, P W	McCluskey, M
Nicholls, F	Nicholls, L D	Mohr, P W
Offergeld, A	Nicholls, F	Nicholls, L D
Proctor, F F	Offergeld, A	Nicholls, F
Strawbridge, A B	Proctor, F F	Offergeld, A
Lewis, C C	Strawbridge, A B	Proctor, F F

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Pierpoint, A C	Lewis, C C	Strawbridge, A B
Roberts, R B	Pierpoint, A C	
McCluskey, Thos	Roberts, R B	
Bignon, E A	McCluskey, Thos	
Carr, R T		
Carey, P C		
Davis, D		
Folwell, J N		
Frank, Simon		
Goetz, Bernard		
Jones, G A		
Kerl, J C J		
McCormick, J J		
Quirk, Wm C		
Saddler, G W		
Saunders, E		
Tyler, E A		
Theil, W		

*Affiliated*—Robert A. Carson, Seaman Field, D. N. Harder, C. P. Skinner, H. J. Stansbury, John Knight, J. H. Langsfield, S. B. Robinson, George H. Wells.

*Demitted*—Robert A. Carson, W. C. Holmes, F. A. Kellman, L. D. Nicholls, F. Nicholls, Geo. H. Wells.

## MOUNT MORIAH LODGE, NO. 77.

*Port Hudson, Parish of East Feliciana, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Troth, R W.....	W M	Richardson, Wm.....	Secretary
Carter, A G.....	S W	Chisholm, J R.....	S D
Sewell, C T.....	J W	Chick, R.....	J D
Gibbons, J H.....	Treasurer	Godbold, G P.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Atkinson, L G	Huff, A C	Munson, Robt
Chatham, Robert	Harbour, P J	Northam, T N
Cain, D P	Jackson, J C	Purnell, G W
Dawson, Sam'l	Jones, J W	Raby, S H
Haynes, H H		Total—21.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

## INITIATED.

Kuhn, Simon  
Marsh, Madison  
Rist, John, Jr

## PASSED.

## RAISED.

*Demitted*—R. Flower, (1856,) A. C. Huff, J. W. Jones.

## ORLEANS LODGE, NO. 78.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts., New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Auchmuty, S P.....	W M	Chellet, Joseph.....	Secretary
Dostie, A P.....	S W	Churchill, S B.....	S D
Soellner, John A.....	J W	Lambert, H B.....	J D
Pomet, G G.....	Treasurer	Hooper, Geo.....	Chaplain
Wolf, B J.....		Tyler	

## MEMBERS.

Andrews, G	Hobert, Victor	Pandely, George
Anfoux, Octave	Jacquess, John A	Rogers, John
Allobough, J R	Jonte, C V	Rutter, Geo L
Bell, John	Kelly, S L	Roth, Jacob
Briggs, N C	Kaiser, Samuel	Salomon, E

## MEMBERS.

Brewster, B S	Kaiser, Louis	Stewart, J C
Bigniole, Chas	Kearney, John F	Stevenson, R
Bevan, Geo	Kohler Fred	Schwab, N
Ber, Henry	Langenbecker, C	Turner, A T
Cohn, J	Millsbaugh, H	Trinidad, E B
Cain, L B	Morton, J F	Thomas, G W
Collins, L E	Morrison, J P	Thomson, James
Donnaud, A	Martinez, Joseph	Wood, George
Daily, J R	Mouritz, Joseph	Williams, J W
De Tornos, A	Merrifield, H C	Watson, J C
Fenkel, B	Monroe, J T	Weston, Wm D
Flanders, W C	McKee, John	Wood, Elias
Fox, Wm	Nimick, James	Ward, John
Goodrich, Hiram	Newman, Chas	Walsh, J
Holmes, Wm H	Payne, B H	Winslow, J M
Heide, J L	Porter, J A	White, Samuel, Jr
Hasam, Thos	Panson, Milton	Youston, R
Holden, I S	Pridham, N C	Total—77.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Bell, John	Bell, John	Bell, John
Kelly, S L	Kelly, S L	Kelly, S L
Roth, Jacob	Lambert, H B	Lambert, H B
Sœllner, J A	Roth, Jacob	Rutter, George L
Thomas, G W	Sœllner, J A	Roth, Jacob
Wood, George	Thomas, G W	Sœllner, J A
Crocker, J B	Wood, George	Thomas, G W
Hern, F M	Crocker, J B	Wood, George
Bradley, J R	Hern, F M	
Shonefelt, Peter		
Spicer, Leander		
Smith, Wm W		
White, David		

*Affiliated*—J. R. Allobough, G. Bevan, S. B. Churchill, A. P. Dostie, Wm. Fox, John Rogers, Jas. Thomson, J. M. Winslow, Sam'l White, Jr.

*Demitted*—G. Andrews, Henry Ber, A. Donnaud, Thos. Hasam, J. A. Jacques, H. Millspaugh.

*Died*—Joseph Mouritz, J. W. Williams.

*Suspended*—George Pandely, E. B. Trinidad.

### ST. JOSEPH LODGE, NO. 79.

*St. Joseph, Parish of Tensas, La.*

#### OFFICERS.

Stampley, S B.....	W M	Aroni, Julius.....	Secretary
Reeves, L V.....	S W	Lewis, Reeve.....	S D
Stampley, V W.....	J W	Brown, M N.....	J D
Snyder, R H.....	Treasurer	Barkhan, John H.....	Tyler

#### MEMBERS.

Andrews, James	Friar, W J	Powell, J J
Alexander, P	Gillespie, A B	Pierson, W H
Bantz, Wm	Haas, M	Powell, J E
Bondurant, A	Harris, James	Routh, J K
Bondurant, J	King, Robert	Routh, H
Bondurant, H	Montgomery, B F	Smith, J R
Barnes, F	Maxwell, W D	Snodgrass, J W
Brown, A F	McCrane, J T	Stampley, J Z
Farrar, T P	McCrane, A B	Tullis, E
Farrar, E D	Montgomery, G W	Williams, G W
Ford, W D	Puckett, P B	Total—40.



## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Stampley, V W	King, Robert	King, Robert
Scott, C P	McCrane, A B	McCrane, A B
	Stampley, V W	Montgomery, G W
		Powell, J E
		Stampley, V W

*Affiliated*—J. T. McCrane, J. Z. Stampley.

*Demitted*—M. Haas.

*Suspended*—Wm. J. Friar.

## DE WITT CLINTON LODGE, NO. 80.

*Marion, Union Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Robertson, S L.....	W M	Wallace, J B.....	Secretary
Newton, J.....	S W	Loper, J J.....	S D
White, J A.....	J W	Defee, G.....	J D
George, E.....	Treasurer	Towns, R R.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bryant, J R	Cooper, C M	Meyer, G
Benson, S E	Goldsby, M W	Pucket, D
Cooper, H	George, B F	Philips, D A
Cooper, W D	George, W L	Robertson, M C
Cooper, J S	Kidd, A A	Rich, J
Cooper, L	Lupo, J J	White, M J

Total—26.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Gresham, J	Gresham, J	
Simms, R J		

*Demitted*—G. Meyer, D. A. Philips, J. Rich.

*Died*—W. L. George.

## MOUNT VERNON LODGE, NO. 83.

*Logansport, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Martin, J W.....	W M	Baldwin, Thos B.....	Secretary
Cuthbertson, John.....	S W	Williams, James.....	S D
White, J W.....	J W	Sinclair, J B.....	J D
Norris, John.....	Treasurer	Plunkett, A N.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allen, W S	Canterberry, W J	Mobley, S H
Booker, Enoch	Cole, J L	Palmer, J M F
Brooks, W R	Douglass, G W	Tharp, T G A
Caldwell, H W	Godfrey, Wilson	White, Myley
		Total—20.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Armour, G G	Armour, G G	
Hickey, J L	Hickey, J L	
Tharp, G A	Tharp, G A	
Norris, John, Jr		
Pyle, James		

*Affiliated*—T. B. Baldwin, A. M. Plunkett.

*Demitted*—W. S. Allen, W. R. Brooks, J. L. Cole, W. Godfrey.

*Stricken from the Roll*—H. W. Caldwell, W. J. Canterbury.

## OLIVER LODGE, NO. 84.

*Alexandria, Parish of Rapides, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Myers, Philip.....	W M	Klotz, Henry.....	Secretary
Bernstein, Samuel.....	S W	Gillespie, Samuel.....	S D
Clifton, John.....	J W	Levin, Julius.....	J D
Abadie, Louis.....	Treasurer	—— ———	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Butler, J N	Ferguson, L	Oncal, Wm
Baillis, Landry	Gossins, Louis	Paul, Michael
Barrett, G W	Hyman, W B	Simmons, J R
Bosswell, J S	Haygood, S B	Sollibello, J M
Butters, H	Henry, R W	Weil, Edward
Bell, C	Irving, Jacob	Weil, Benjamin
Calvet, James	Levy, Isaac	Walden, C H
Cazabat, A	Mallet, Doctor	Wise, J C
Fox, R L	Ogden, O N	
Fulton, B F	Osborn, H	Total—35.

### DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Abadie, L (1856)	Abadie, L (1856)	Abadie, L (1856)
Butler, J N (1856)	Butler, J N (1856)	Butler, J N (1856)
Levin, Julius (1856)	Levin, Julius (1856)	Levin, Julius (1856)
Grogan, M	Paul, Michael (1856)	Paul, Michael (1856)
		Weil, Edward (1856)

*Affiliated*—Dr. Mallet, (1856.)

*Demitted*—In 1856, Wm. Alexander, F. B. Amsden, S. W. Cook, J. Earheart, J. H. Hall, A. Hilton, John Innis, W. C. Martin, W. R. Read, H. Toler, B. Ware, R. L. Waddington. In 1857, J. N. Butler, G. W. Barrett, James Calvit, A. Cazabat, L. Ferguson, W. B. Hyman, Isaac Levy, Benjamin Weil.

### LAFAYETTE LODGE, NO. 87.

*Pattersonville, Parish of St. Mary, La.*

#### OFFICERS.

McCoy, J M.....	W M	Levy, Bernard.....	Secretary
Rawles, J M.....	S W	Rochel, E.....	S D
Sojourner, R N.....	J W	Ager, Wm.....	J D
Levy, B.....	Treasurer	Galliets, August.....	Tyler

#### MEMBERS.

Briant, G A	Jones, A	Swain, M L
Burnly, H	Knight, J	Sanders, T S
Burgess, N	Keys, N	Stockton, T
Daly, E	Leopold, S	Woffard, James
Gothright, Z P	McMurtry, A	Wolf, S K
Greenwood, W J	Rentrop, A F	Wilcoxon, Thomas
		Total—26.

#### DEGREES CONFERRED.

##### INITIATED.

Burgess, N  
Galliets, A  
Leopold, S

##### PASSED.

Burgess, N  
Galliets, A  
Leopold, S

##### RAISED.

Burgess, N  
Galliets, A  
Leopold, S

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
McMurtry, A	McMurtry, A	McMurtry, A
Rochel, E	Rochel, E	Rochel, E
Hazard, S H		

*Affiliated*—N. Keys.

*Demitted*—W. J. Greenwood, S. K. Wolf.

*Died*—A. F. Rentrop.

## MANY LODGE, NO. 88.

*Many, Parish of Sabine, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Wm B Stille.....	W M	Montgomery, V A.....	Secretary
Arthur Solomon.....	S W	— — — — —	S D
Cooper, G W.....	J W	— — — — —	J D
Stille, J D.....	Treasurer	Ednanson, W H.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Alford, W T	Davidson, E C	Nash, L J
Alford, N B	Eason, J W	Pharris, J K
Brown, E	Eason, S A	Roberts, A
Baldrige, F	Garner, G G	Sibley, R A
Caldwell, John	Godwin, J J	Speight, M K
Chaplin, C, Jr	Montgomery, P T	Thompson, M A
Curtis, R W	Morris, S H	West, George
Curtis, Asa	Morris, George	Total—29.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Ednanson, W H	Ednanson, W H	Garner, G G (1856)
	Thompson, M A (1856)	Ednanson, W H
	Rains, Isaac	Thompson, M A (1856)

*Demitted*—C. Chaplin, Jr., L. J. Nash, J. K. Pharris, R. Frances,  
in 1856.

## CYPRESS LODGE, NO. 89.

*Collinsburg, Bossier Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Turnley, J T.....	W M	Sentell, G W.....	Secretary
Sentell, Wm M.....	S W	Shippey, E A.....	S D
Miller, Samuel.....	J W	Doles, Z.....	J D
Cooper, N A.....	Treasurer	Hall, Wm.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Alden, P	Higgs, S R	Pickett, John
Arnette, R W	Hamilton, L	Palmer, P A
Arick, Wm	King, C R	Rodgers, Israel
Burnette, J W	Kemps, J T	Rodgers, A M
Bush, W J	Lorance, A B	Rucker, E P
Cross, E H	Liverman, W B	Ratcliff, B F
Cook, E G	Martin, Robt	Stinson, R T
Dickson, D E	Matlock, B B	Sears, A K
Dickson, M A	McDonald, M S	Stiles, Edwin
Engram, E W	McDonald, W D	Sentell, John B
Graham, Y J	Nelson, B H	Strain, A C

## MEMBERS.

Graham, J L C	Oneal, Elias	Taite, J A
Gambill, W B	Potts, W C	Walker, G H
Hughes, A B	Pegues, E J	Yarborough, E W
Total—50.		

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Dickson, D E	Dickson, D E	Dickson, D E
Doles, Z	Doles, Z	Doles, Z
Liverman, W B	Liverman, W B	Liverman, W B
Palmer, P A	Palmer, P A	Palmer, P A
Strain, A C	Strain, A C	Sentell, John B
Felps, J O	Felps, J O	Strain, A C
Taylor, Jas L	Taylor, Jas L	
Burnham, D M		
Sandersón, E S		
Odour, F M		

*Demitted*—A. B. Hughes, Robt. Martin, A. M. Rodgers, E. P. Rucker, E. W. Engram.

*Died*—F. M. Odour, (E. A.)

## THIBODAUX BENEVOLENT, NO. 90.

*Thibodeaux, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Thibodaux, B G.....	W M	Smith, N H.....	Secretary
Mead, F L.....	S W	Edmonson, T H.....	S D
Williams, C C.....	J W	Cross, E.....	J D
Ragan, A B.....	Treasurer	Caulau, O.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Armatage, C	Darden, R G	Mavor, C L
Atkinson, W J	Dickerson, D M	Moore, R C
Belcher, C	Donaldson, A J	Perkins, J S
Buford, J A	Flemming, H	Read, L A
Babin, O	Frizell, J S	Stamply, M B
Baker, R B	Grüneberg, C H	Tenny, S
Britton, S A	Gray, D J	Tanner, Washington
Burrows, B	Harris, H H	Taylor, R F
Crawford, J M	Harland, John	Weightman, T H
Cole, J S	LeBlanc, D	White, J C
Campbell, B	Lowenstein, J M	
Christy, G W	McLeod, M A	Total—42.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Christy, G W	Christy, G W	Christy, G W
Tanner, Washington	Tanner, Washington	Tanner, Washington

*Demitted*—J. S. Frizell, C. L. Mavor, R. F. Taylor, B. Campbell.

*Died*—H. Flemming.

## LIVONIA LODGE, NO. 91.

*Livonia, Parish of Point Coupee, La.*

[Charter surrendered, June 6th, 1857 ; no Returns made.]

## MONTICELLO LODGE, NO. 92.

*Monticello, Carroll Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Gaddis, John M.....	W M	Draughon, Jas W.....	Secretary
Dollerhide, R H.....	S W	Richardson, C B.....	S D
Eppes, John W.....	J W	McNeill, J H.....	J D
Parker, W H.....	Treasurer	Lester, J W.....	Tyler



## MEMBERS.

Armstrong, R A	Halberg, C J	Moore, S W
Anderson, W T C	Hays, J W	Neill, Sam'l
Capers, L R	Imboden, J D	Oliver, P G
Drew, N J	Lott, H R	Oliver, S D
De France, P W	Looney, Moses	Oliver, W T
Eddins, Abram	Leitch, I N	Roberts, B D
Flemming, E M	Land, L J	Stuart, W T
Floyd, S C	McKelvy, D S	Sattenberrer, G P
Guier, P J	Motley, C T	Travis, D S
Gordon, T D	Moore, J A	Taylor, S W
Humphreys, R B	Mapp, J C	Walker, A J
Hamberlin, Jas	Mann, T M	Total—43.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Land, L J	Drew, N J	Drew, N J
Sattenberrer, G P	Imboden, J D	Imboden, J D
Harris, H H	Land, L J	Land, L J
Currie, J A C	Sattenberrer, G P	Roberts, B D
Holden, Thos	Harris, H H	Sattenberrer, G P

*Affiliated*—T. D. Gordon, J. M. Gaddis, I. N. Leitch, A. J. Walker.

*Demitted*—S. C. Floyd.

*Died*—P. G. Oliver.

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## NAPOLEON LODGE, NO. 94.

*Springfield, Union Parish, La.*

[Charter revived by Grand Lodge, Feb. 13, 1858. No Returns made.]

## BELLEVUE LODGE, NO. 95.

[Charter surrendered January 14th, 1858.]

*Bellerue, Bossier Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Abney, A A.....	W M	Fort, Thomas M.....	Secretary
Biggs, Joseph L.....	S W	Miller, Austin.....	S D
Edwards, Wm S.....	J W	Johnson, James.....	J D
Spurlin, Albert W.....	Treasurer	Bodenheimer, Jacob.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Alford, Jas W	Looney, R J	Steele, Lewis F
Barncastle, Henry	Looney, B F	Springfield, Wm G
Collins, John H	Miller, Jacob	Skinner, Ralph G
Fuller, Thos W	Morris, Edward H	Shotwell, Andrew L
Ferguson, Jas A	Martin, Godfrey	Sandlin, Elijah
Hamilton, Wm E	Oakley, Timothy	Walker, John A
Hollingsworth, A H	Perritt, Wm	Walker, Tilman D
Knight, Joseph J	Rathbun, Lysander	Total—31.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

## INITIATED.

## PASSED.

## RAISED.

Sandlin, Elijah

Sandlin, Elijah

*Affiliated*—Tilman D. Walker, E. H. Morris.

*Demitted*—Henry Barncastle, J. H. Collins, J. A. Ferguson, W. E. Hamilton, R. J. Looney, Jacob Miller, Godfrey Martin, Wm. G. Springfield, John A. Walker.

*Died*—James W. Alford.*Suspended*—Lysander Rathbun.

## ST. HELENA LODGE, NO. 96.

*Greensburg, St. Helena Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Carter, Wm A.....	W M	Spencer, John T.....	Secretary
Tillery, Wm H.....	S W	Womack, W F.....	S D
Thompson, J J.....	J W	Pierson, S H.....	J D
Corkern, John.....	Treasurer	Parker, James.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Addison, Ashford	Gorman, J K	Roland, J F
Allen, Wm D	Gorman, D K	Settoon, D S
Bankston, Daniel H	Gosselyn, P C	Strickland, C D, Jr
Bankston, Leslie	Griffing, James Y	Story, Edward
Bankston, N M	Johnson, J W	Thompson, D W
Bankston, Y S	Jones, Thomas	Thompson, J F
Bankston, G W	Kemp, J D	Venables, L H
Bankston, W W	Kemp, E M	Watson, J G
Bates, Wm S	Kent, Amos	Watson, B M
Belue, James L	Lard, Noel	Williams, Daniel
Bickham, John	Lower, J M	Williams, Jas A
Brady, S A	Mahony, John	Wilson, Julius F
Bridges, G W	McKinney, Jephtha	Womack, Abner
Carruth, W R	Naul, N J	Womack, J B
Carruth, R H	Parker, L R	Wright, Isaac H
Carter, M T	Robertson, A B	
Dennis, Wm		
		Total—56.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Bankston, G W	Bankston, G W	Bankston, Y S
Gosselyn, P C	Gosselyn, P C	Bankston, G W
Johnson, J W	Johnson, J W	Bankston, W W
Lower, J M	Lower, J M	Gosselyn, P C
Womack, A B	Watson, B M	Johnson, J W
Burton, J G	Birch, John W	Lower, J M

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Day, D D	Wainwright, C	Watson, B M
Ewel, John	Womack, A B	
Hodges, R F		
Kemp, G M		
Parker, Wm R		
Riley, Martin		
Wheat, J J		

*Affiliated*—J. F. Roland.

*Demitted*—John Bickham, G. W. Bridges, J. Y. Griffing, John W. Addison, in 1856.

*Stricken from the Roll*—In 1856, E. W. Easley, W. S. Gordon, Isaiah Tucker.

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### PATMOS LODGE, NO. 97.

*Richmond, Madison Parish, La.*

[No Returns.]

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### HERMITAGE LODGE, NO. 98.

*Corner Magazine and St. Philip Sts., New Orleans.*

#### OFFICERS.

Wilson, Daniel.....	W M	Weser, William.....	Secretary
Burden, Thomas.....	S W	Walz, A.....	S D
Small, M.....	J W	Schaffer, G.....	J D
Altmeyer, John.....	Treasurer	Derkes, L.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brown, C	Horton, H B	Sehorn, H M
Cock, H N	Henry, Wm	Schorr, Thomas
Dougart, B	Johnson, R B	Styles, R B
Donovan, J	Kopp, L	Stubenrauch, F
Dameron, H	Kathman, J	Stafford, James
Elliott, C B	Loudan, E	Turner, J W R
Frith, J L	Mayer, J G	Tradoux, E
Goldman, J A	McDonald, R	Weil, J
Green, J U	Nordhause, A	Welsh, G
Goldenberg, B	Rebendish, Wm	Young, Daniel
Goldenberg, C	Shulte, J	Total—40.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Donovan, J	Donovan, J	Donovan, J
Schaffer, G	Henry, William	Henry, William
Lessing, C F	Rebendish, Wm	Rebendish, Wm
Werke, P	Schaffer, G	Schaffer, G
Kottmann, F	Walz, A	Weser, Wm
Loos, A	Lessing, C F	Walz, A
Muller, John	Osborne, F	
Polongue, P	Werke, P	
Parisson, Julius		
Ricks, E		
Wien, H		
Weber, Wm		
Zinzer, G M		
Zipp, Franz		

*Affiliated*—Thomas Burden, James Stafford.

*Demitted*—J. Donovan, B. Goldenberg, C. Goldenberg.

*Suspended*—H. B. Horton, R. McDonald, A. Nordhause, R. B. Styles, J. Weil.

*Reinstated*—H. M. Sehorn.

## HENDERSON LODGE, NO. 99.

*Cotile, Parish of Rapides, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Davidson, N.....	W M	Rosenthal, M.....	Secretary
Carnahan, M.....	S W	Texada, Lewis.....	S D
Texada, J W.....	J W	Sheckleford, S.....	J D
James, W C.....	Treasurer	Williams, S D.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Carnahan, John	Henderson, J H	Sneed, William
Crain, R A	Lee, E	Wailes, W B
Dickerson, Thos	Myers, D T	Woodward, J D
Hewitt, J D	Richardson, Wilson	Total—19.

### DEGREES CONFERRED.

#### INITIATED.

Williams, S D  
Boyd, R A

#### PASSED.

Williams, S D  
Boyd, R A

#### RAISED.

Williams, S D

*Demitted*—J. D. Hewitt, W. B. Wailes.

*Died*—J. H. Henderson.

## TAYLOR LODGE, NO. 100.

*Homer, Parish of Claiborne, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Blackman, John C.....	W M	Elliott, W H.....	Secretary
Hays, John W.....	S W	Wilson, John.....	S D
Brown, J J.....	J W	Murrell, Hugh.....	J D
Maxey, W H.....	Treasurer	Brown, S M.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Arbuckle, W W	Greer, John, Sr	Norton, J W
Arrington, J W	Harrison, B D	Pickering, J S
Blackman, Alfred	Harrison, J W	Pickering, C W
Brown, W P	Heath, A F	Price, G W
Burnham, J S	Hightower, T J	Parr, John W
Brooks, J T	Hightower, J C	Pennington, E
Cunningham, J H	Hodge, B F	Smith, J P
Capers, R L	Hightower, J H	Sterling, W J
Cook, John	Hamilton, T P	Thomasson, J M
Carr, W A	Johnson, A	Traylor, G S
Cooper, G W	Jeter, J H	Wafer, T B
Dyer, D H	Kimbell, G W	Williams, M S
Egan, W B	Lesley, W J	Wilson, J M
Fuller, G W	McMahon, H B	Warren, Reuben
Fuller, E H	Mitchell, T F	Warren, J G
Faucher, R F	Mitchell, M	Warren, G W
Foster, G W	Murrell, John	Whitson, E B
Fuller, J M	Millican, J A	Young, John
Freeman, W L	Martin, W C	Young, John S
Gee, S P	Nail, Mason	Total—67.

*Affiliated*—J. W. Norton.

*Demitted*—W. P. Brown, J. S. Burnham, J. T. Brooks, D. H. Dyer, B. F. Hodge, J. H. Hightower, T. P. Hamilton, John Murrell, J. A. Millican, M. Nail, G. W. Price, J. W. Parr, J. P. Smith, E. B. Whitson.

*Died*—A. Johnson.

## FRANKLINTON LODGE, NO. 101.

*Franklinton, Parish of Washington, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Wadsworth, John.....	W M	Babington, Robt.....	Secretary
Burris, James M.....	S W	Wood, John.....	S D
Burkhalter, H T.....	J W	O'Rorke, M.....	J D
Bickham, S W.....	Treasurer	Foils, John.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Albritten, S	Ellis, Stephen	McLain, Kenith
Ard, Jas F	Erwin, James A	Peak, Olander
Blackburn, A S	Fisher, Wm	Parks, Alonson
Bailey, C P	Fisher, J C	Penny, Welcome
Brumfield, A C	Hosmer, Wm B	Richardson, Hardy
Brumfield, Wm, Sr	Lea, Jas T	Richardson, S D
Brumfield, G Y	Lanier, Benj	Richardson, W P
Bickham, A C	Mizell, Stephen	Simmons, J M
Birch, J R	Mizell, John	Simmons, J B
Bankston, L H	Moore, D C	Singleterry, J J
Bouie, Angus	Magee, Jacob	Slocum, John J
Clark, W J	Morris, John E	Thomas, Hardy
Carpenter, J M	Morris, W F	Thomas, E B
Douglas, J P	Morris, C B	Thomas, Matthew
Decz, E B	McCain, Edw, Sr	
Dillon, J P	McCain, Edw, Jr	Total—54.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Bickham, A C	Bickham, A C	Bickham, A C
Lanier, Benj	Foils, John	Carpenter, J M
Bickham, T R	Lanier, Benj	Foils, John
Bloom, Isaac	Bickham, T R	Hosmer, Wm B
Hewman, Moses	Bloom, Isaac	Lanier, Benj
Stringfield, David	Hewman, Moses	Thomas, Matthew
Hobgood, O M	Spring, Henry	
Smith, Morris	Springfield, David	
Thomas, James		
Tyson, J J		
Woods, Jacob		

*Affiliated*—M. O'Rorke, E. B. Thomas.

*Demitted*—J. P. Dillon, S. Albritten.



## LOUISIANA LODGE, NO. 102.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts., New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Driver, W C.....	W M	Clapp, C B.....	S D
Harris, Aaron.....	S W	Nivens, A A.....	J D
Piderit, Louis.....	J W	Rogers, Thomas, Jr.....	Chaplain
Nathan, George.....	Treasurer	Mure, J.....	Steward
Slack, W H.....	Secretary	Benachi, N M.....	Steward
Wolf, J B.....(not a member).....Tyler.			

## MEMBERS.

Baker, J J	Hite, G D	Prehn, W
Clark, J	Heine, A	Pandorf, C H
Corry, F M	Horrell, B M	Snapp, L
Crawcour, I L	Kursheedt, G	Seixas, J W
Doane, H	Lonsdale, H T	Walton, J B
De Choiscul, C	Mott, R	West, D
Goodman, D	McKee, R	Yuelle, J C B
Harris, Alex	Mann, J H	Total—33.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Mann, J H	Mann, J H	Mann, J H
Pandorf, C H	Pandorf, C H	Pandorf, C H
Yuelle, J C B	Yuelle, J C B	Yuelle, J C B
MacMurdo, J R	MacMurdo, J R	

*Affiliated*—W. C. Driver, L. Piderit.

*Demitted*—C. De Choiscul, D. West.

## CLOUTIERVILLE LODGE, NO. 103.

*Cloutierville, Parish of Natchitoches, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Scruggs, S O.....	W M	Caspari, L.....	Secretary
Kile, J.....	S W	Woods, R.....	S D
Morantiné, J C.....	J W	Moreau, A.....	J D
Cockfield, E J.....	Treasurer	Moreau, P.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Holloey, W G	Lerow, J	Norris, S J
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## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Moreau, A	Moreau, A	Moreau, A
Moreau, P	Moreau, P	Moreau, P
Morantiné, C	Morantiné, C	Morantiné, C
Carnaham, J		

*Died*—W. G. Holloey, S. J. Norris.

## MOUNT LEBANON LODGE, NO. 104.

*Mount Lebanon, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Hill, A C.....	W M	Prothro, W B.....	Secretary
Thurmond, C G.....	S W	Rogers, J C.....	S D
Pittman, J S.....	J W	Walker, J H.....	J D
Candler, W L.....	Treasurer	Key, M W.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brice, John	Edins, W D B	Paxton, J E
Courtney, F	Holstein, G L	Rogers, G W
Candler, F M	Key, R A	Reeves, S W
Caskey, H C	Lee, H	Traylor, Joshua
Egan, B	McCasland, A J	Vassallo, F N
Egan, J C	Prescott, J Q	Total—25.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Holstein, G L	Holstein, G L	Holstein, G L
Paxton, J E	Paxton, J E	Paxton, J E
Reeves, S W	Reeves, S W	Reeves, S W
Hillburn, H H	Hillburn, H H	Candler, F M (1856)
Candler, F M (1856)	Candler, F M (1856)	Caskey, H C (1856)
Caskey, H C (1856)	Caskey, H C (1856)	McCasland, A J (1856)
McCasland, A J (1856)	McCasland, A J (1856)	Rogers, J C (1856)
Rogers, J C (1856)	Rogers, J C (1856)	Vassallo, F N (1856)
Vassallo, F N (1856)	Vassallo, F N (1856)	

*Affiliated*—In 1856, J. S. Pittman.

*Demitted*—H. C. Caskey, J. E. Paxton.

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**TRINITY LODGE, NO. 105.**

*Trinity, Catahoula Parish, La.*

[No Returns.]

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**VIENNA LODGE, NO. 106.**

*Vienna, Jackson Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Quinn, M P.....	W M	Ottis, Wm P.....	Secretary
Calcote, John W.....	S W	Standefor, Thos C.....	S D
Tanner, Thos T.....	J W	Embry, J M.....	J D
Huey, John, Jr.....	Treasurer	Calcote, Wm C.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Barmore, Hardiman	Lyles, C W	Scarboro, Philip D
Ball, James R	Mayes, J L	Spivey, Moses
Colvin, Thomas	Mayes, Robert	Stevens, John H
Coker, Wm H	Madden, Abram	Stallings, Jephtha G
Crowell, John M	Mitchell, John B	Smith, Wm J
Colvin, Wm D	McLain, John	Thompson, Leonard H
Dickenson, R M	McKenzie, Wm	Wood, Willis
Gates, Benjamin	Otto, Joel B	Wilder, J B
Hall, Jas M	Odern, Emanuel	Waldron, Wm M
Kinman, Jas M	O'Neal, Jas S	Warren, Wm B
Kinman, Wm Q	Prewett, Emory	Walker, John F
Lyles, Thomas	Reed, A L W	Total—43.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Mayes, J L	Mayes, J L	Mayes, J L
Mayes, Robert	Mayes, Robert	Mayes, Robert
Reed, A L W	Reed, A L W	Reed, A L W
Scarboro, P D	Scarboro, P D	Scarboro, P D
Beck, Joseph	Beck, Joseph	Crowell, Jno M (1856)
Beck, Charles	Crowell, Jno M (1856)	Colvin, W D (1856)
Leggett, S P	Colvin, W D (1856)	Warren, Wm (1856)
Roland, Zeno	Warren, Wm (1856)	
Colvin, D, Jr (1856)		
Colvin, W D (1856)		
Warren, Wm (1856)		

*Affiliated*—L. H. Thompson, in 1857; and Wm. J. Smith, H. Barmore, in 1856.

*Demitted*—Abram Madden, J. T. Walker, in 1857; and John W. Duty, R. S. Embry, Chas. J. Henry, in 1856.

*Died*—Wm. Q. Kinman, in 1857; and A. J. C. Goodjion, in 1856.

*Suspended*—In 1856, Wm. S. Callen, A. Gullatt, B. M. Gates, L. D. Williams.

*Expelled*—In 1856, Allen Green.

## SPARTA LODGE, NO. 108.

*Sparta, Bienville Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Paxton, W E.....W M	Dubose, H N.....Secretary
McCrary, J C.....S W	Baker, B A.....S D
Cockerham, W S.....J W	Warren, E N.....J D
Upshaw, James.....Treasurer	McFarland, J P.....Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Cockerham, John	Looney, S W	Price, A
Cook, James E	Looney, W B	Pool, Jason
Curry, Leroy	Murphey, C H	Prothro, H M
Eldrige, L	Mathews, B H	Ross, G
Easely, R B	Melton, J W	Sheen, J H
Harrel, J A	Moon, J M	Walker, J L
Head, J R	Oncal, E B	Williamson, W A
Total—29.		

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

## INITIATED.

## PASSED.

## RAISED.

Nolcs, J G

*Demitted*—R. B. Easely, G. Ross, J. L. Walker.*Suspended*—R. B. Easely, W. B. Looney, J. M. Moon, A. Price.*Reinstated*—R. B. Easely, W. B. Looney.

## CASTOR LODGE, NO. 109.

*Castor, Caldwell Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

De Graffenriedt, Wm L....W M	Hundley, A L.....Secretary
Hampton, John.....S W	Clark, Wm A.....S D
Nettles, Wm T.....J W	Webb, Seborn.....J D
Baggents, G W.....Treasurer	Baggents, Moses.....Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allen, B W	Hundley, F M	Robert, E M
Brown, James	Holloway, M H	Rosenfield, L
Butler, M H	Hagard, Martin	Raymond, W M
Bryan, Fran's	Hargroves, W P	Sikes, John
Coates, W E	Moffett, G C	Thomas, D B
Coon, A F	Nettles, John J	Wentzell, David
Franton, John	Pierson, J C	Wood, A B
Fowler, J A	Ramsey, D B	Womack, Wm
Gomillion, E S		Total—33.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Raymond, W M	Raymond, W M	Raymond, W M
Webb, Seborn	Webb, Seborn	Webb, Seborn
Lilly, J A		
Crow, J D		

*Affiliated*—W. P. Hargroves.

*Demitted*—F. M. Hundley, J. C. Pierson, David Wentzell.

*Reinstated*—G. C. Moffett, E. M. Robert, D. B. Thomas.

## HARRISONBURG LODGE, NO. 110.

*Harrisonburg, Parish of Catahoula, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Tew, Wm M.....	W M	Cohen, J A.....	Secretary
Dosher, John.....	S W	Conn, Abraham.....	S D
Wells, Geo H.....	J W	Launis, Jacob.....	J D
Marks, David.....	Treasurer	Fleishman, Isaac.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Beamon, Carter	Hodkins, E L	Peace, J B
Dosson, M H	Hudnall, E F	Phillips, A R
Davis, A B	Kendall, F	Roach, David
Duke, C C	Lanchart, J	Small, B S
Evans, Henry	Levystein, A	Shlenker, Isaac
Fairbanks, E J	McCollum, W H	Sheffield, J P
Green, H L	McCluer, S W	Splawn, Eli
Green, Thomas	Mecom, H	Stamper, J M
Green, C S	Mayer, L	Sherwood, Isaac D
Gauldon, W E	Norris, R H	Wall, A A
Hynes, T O	Prichard, D M	Total—40.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Hanks, T W	Hanks, T W	Cohen, J A
	Sargent, J	Sherwood, Isaac D

*Affiliated*—H. L. Green, E. F. Hudnall, L. Mayer, G. H. Wells.

*Reinstated*—C. Beamon, W. H. McCollum.

## URIM LODGE, NO. 111.

*Forksville, Parish of Ouachita, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Simpson, Thomas L.....	W M	Patrick, W W.....	S D
McClendon, Robt W.....	S W	Martin, Seneca.....	J D
Sheppard, Andrew W.....	J W	Collins, Wm A.....	Steward
Collins, Isaac.....	Treasurer	Butler, J J.....	"
Bishop, Caldwell.....	Secretary	Simmons, John R.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Arrant, Peter	Gainey, Richard	Sheppard, John F
Barrs, John M	Head, D T	Simmons, John T
Bryan, Wm H	Harris, Wesley	Stegall, J W
Britt, L S	McGehee, J W	Stegall, B C
Bishop, J M	Milling, J H	Simmons, Wm A
Duncan, Lovatt	McVickers, John	Sheppard, F M
Dickerson, A T	Noble, J H	Thompson, Wm
Dixon, Wm C	Nettles, I R	Wilson, H M
Friend, Edwin	O'Neal, M	Wilson, John M
Fuller, Wm M	Puckett, Joel E	Wintzell, Louis
Fitch, G S	Richardson, James C	Watson, Thos J

Total—43.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Butler, J J	Butler, J J	Bishop, J M
Harris, Wesley	Harris, Wesley	Butler, J J
O'Neal, M	O'Neal, M	Harris, Wesley
Patrick, W W	Patrick, W W	O'Neal, M
Watson, T J	Watson, T J	Patrick, W W
Achord, L F	Achord, L F	Watson, T J
Wise, Moses	Wise, Moses	

*Affiliated*—J. H. Noble, Wm. Thompson, J. M. Wilson.*Demitted*—Wm. C. Dixon, G. S. Fitch.*Died*—Louis Wintzell.

## BARTHOLOMEW LODGE, NO. 112.

*Plantersville, Parish of Morehouse, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Washburn, A S.....	W M	Hilliard, John M.....	Secretary
Knox, R J.....	S W	McCrary, John.....	S D
Buncley, R P.....	J W	Knox, J S.....	J D
Simpson, Thomas.....	Treasurer	Delamar, N.....	Tyler



## MEMBERS.

Avriett, Wm J	Edwards, Thos H	Moore, John
Blount, John H	Holloway, Jesse	Moore, Dickson
Buford, Parham	Hoover, Henry	Overby, Hezekiah
Bennett, Reuben F	Harrison, W G	Phelps, Henry
Bussy, John F	Heard, S F	Rhymes, Wm A
Bunckley, Ransom	Johnson, Wm T	Russum, Wilson J
Busby, Z T	Jones, Thos M	Russum, James J
Dennard, T F	Jackson, Wm R	Southall, J F
Duckworth, E D	Kimbrough, Thos T	Staley, John W
Duckworth, J C	Kimbrough, Geo W	Trogdon, Wm
Daniel, E L	Klutts, M A	Worley, S N
Edwards, Wm	McQuillar, David	Wilson, A J
Edwards, Jacob H	Murrell, D	Total—46.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Busby, Z T	Busby, Z T	Busby, Z T
McCrory, John	McCrory, John	McCrory, John
Richmond, A J	Richmond, A J	

*Affiliated*—Ransom Bunckley, E. L. Daniel, G. W. Kimbrough, A. J. Wilson.

*Demitted*—Wm. T. Johnson, M. A. Klutts, David McQuillar, Henry Phelps, J. F. Southall, John W. Staley.

*Died*—Wm. Edwards, Henry Hoover.

## THOMAS JEFFERSON LODGE, NO. 113.

*Spears' Store, Union Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Spears, W L.....	W M	Griffin, S H.....	Secretary
Goynes, J R.....	S W	Thornton, M H.....	S D
Calloway, W G.....	J W	Lowe, W H.....	J D
Kilgore, T B.....	Treasurer	Hunt, A J.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Arrington, John V	Denniss, J G	Lindsay, M J
Abbott, D I	Dean, Wm	McAdams, I F
Campbell, M Q	Harrell, B F	McCaskell, Colen
Cobb, Azeziah	Haley, Wm H	McTyre, R G
Cobb, George, Jr	Henderson, Wm	Morgan, G M
Cobb, Hosea	Hayes, J	Post, J M
Cobb, Hugh B	Jameson, D M	Smith, T M
Cobb, Joel M	Laudin, Wm J	Spears, J P
Cobb, Rev Sam'l T	Lee, S C	Spears, Joab B
Davis, S C	Lockhart, A D	Wamble, Henry
Total—38.		

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
McAdams, I F	Griffin, S H	Griffin, S H
Post, J M	Hunt, A J	Goynes, J R
Spears, Joab B	McAdams, I F	Hunt, A J
	Post, J M	McAdams, I F
	Spears, Joab B	Post, J M
		Spears, Joab B

*Demitted*—J. V. Arrington, G. Cobb, Jr., A. Cobb, Hosca Cobb, Hugh B. Cobb, Joel B. Cobb, Sam'l T. Cobb, W. H. Haley, George M. Morgan.

## FRIENDSHIP LODGE, NO. 114.

*Woodville, Jackson Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Redwine, M C. . . . . W M	Smith, B F. . . . . Secretary
Conger, Jephtha. . . . . S W	Battle, J E. . . . . S D
Polk, T R. . . . . J W	Garner, S H. . . . . J D
Tatum, Henry. . . . . Treasurer	Payne, Thomas. . . . . Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bond, W F	Jones, J W	Russ, R E
Bills, W T	Jones, A H	Rains, Henry
Campbell, Thos	Knight, M P	Sherrard, H W
Davis, R E	Lanc, O S	Sherrard, R J
Grey, H J	Mitchell, T L	Tarver, R M
Howell, M N	McLean, M D	Turner, W G
Hemphill, T	Polk, H M	Tomms, E H
Haris, E W	Powell, J A	Yarborough, P
Total—32.		

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

## INITIATED.

## PASSED.

## RAISED.

Taunehill, D U

*Demitted*—E. H. Tomms.*Died*—P. Yarborough.

## SHREVEPORT LODGE, NO. 115.

*Shreveport, Caddo Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Williamson, Geo.....	W M	Ritchie, Vincent.....	Secretary
Jones, John W.....	SW	Haber, S.....	SD
Lindsay, R H.....	J W	— — — — —	JD
Jacobs, Benj.....	Treasurer	Ivey, W A.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brownlie, J H	Hotchkiss, T P	Potts, T H
Bell, M	Howerton, H H	Slaughter, A
Cook, Robert	Hunsicker, H	Simpson, T R

## MEMBERS.

Crain, L P	Key, W H	Shoemaker, W R
Eaken, D W	Lenqsfield, J H	Watson, M
Ford, Samuel	McWilliams, J G	Waldran, F M
Folsom, W M	Oglesby, R C	Total—27.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Ritchie, V	Ritchie, V	Ritchie, V
McLelland, J N	McLelland, J N	
Dunham, M A		

*Affiliated*—J. H. Brownlie, D. W. Eaken, W. A. Ivey, T. H. Potts.

*Demitted*—W. H. Key, J. H. Lenqsfield, R. C. Oglesby.

*Died*—M. Bell, Sam'l Ford.

## ACACIA LODGE, NO. 116.

*Bayou Goula, Iberville Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Browne, H S.....	W M	Blanchard, A.....	Secretary
Marcot, John.....	S W	Schmalinski, S.....	S D
Troxeler, Geo.....	J W	Pierce, D B.....	J D
Arcenaux, E A.....	Treasurer	Hebert, P O.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Anselm, B B	Hall, B R	St. Amant, A
Boote, W R	Henning, H E	Testard, J E
Chauvin, J	Landry, M	Toffier, A
Comaux, J J	Lauve, G	Troxeler, M
Chapman, A J	Orcutt, Ira E	Warden, S
Cousson, P	Savory, Ira I	Winn, E G
Gotcher, J S	Sullivan, J	Total—28.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Schmalinski, S	Schmalinski, S	Pierce, D B
Testard, J E	Testard, J E	St. Amant, A
Hebert, A		Schmalinski, S
		Testard, J E

*Demitted*—P. Cousson.

*Suspended*—B. B. Anselm, A. J. Chapman, G. Lauve, I. I. Savory.

*Re-instated*—Ira I. Savory.

## MILFORD LODGE, NO. 117.

*Manchac Settlement, East Baton Rouge, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Coleman, E.....	W M	Keller, G W.....	Secretary
Delone, J .....	S W	Brown, T W .....	S D
Freeman, J J.....	J W	Dixon, A.....	J D
Burnett, W L.....	Treasurer	Tartlow, J T.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Aucoin, A	Comeaux, J D	Parish, R D
Abramson, H	Dixon, E	Smith, T M
Adams, J O	Dixon, M	Smith, A
Adams, O	Doiron, E	Turner, W H
Brown, T Z	Delerry, J	Webb, C C
Brown, W D	Evans, D T	Young, J N
Brown, E W	Hampton, J S	
Bixler, J B	Piker, J F	
		Total—30.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Abramson, H	Abramson, H	Abramson, H
Dixon, A	Dixon, A	Dixon, A
Dixon, M	Dixon, M	Dixon, M
Freeman, J J	Freeman, J J	Freeman, J J
Parish, R D	Parish, R D	Parish, R D
Bennet, H F		
Webb, S D		

*Demitted*—E. W. Brown, J. N. Young.

## TERRYVILLE LODGE, NO. 118.

*Terryville, Claiborne Parish, La.*

[No Returns.]

## CONSTANTINE LODGE, NO. 119.

*Waterproof, Parish of Tensas, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Drake, H W.....	W M	Fischel, Sam.....	Secretary
Weast, G W.....	S W	Baker, F M.....	S D
Womack, J P.....	J W	Parish, John.....	J D
Lynch, W T.....	Treasurer	Brown, G M.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Agnew, John	Huggins, W D	Murry, J G D
Brown, H M	Hughs, W G	Perkins, John F
Brannis, R	Hunsicker, John	Preston, Z
Clifton, D C	Jump, P	Penny, J H
Dieffenwirth, P H	Jolly, Cyrus	Roy, A J
Griffin, T J	Murphy, N	Royillio, L M

## MEMBERS.

Gorton, Joseph	Matthews, P H	Trueman, H G
Gorton, F A	McCulloch, John	Trueman, J M
Griswold, E P	McCulloch, H	Thompson, G M
Hall, T C	McBride, R W	Vick, A J
Higginbotham, W D	McGalliard, J T	Wise, David
Hendry, Moses	Miller, P H	Wren, B C

Total—44.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

## INITIATED.

Hunsicker, John  
Murry, J G D  
Parish, John  
Bowman, C J  
Hays, David  
Hays, W R  
York, Sylvester

## PASSED.

Hunsicker, John  
Murry, J G D  
Parish, John  
Hays, Wm R

## RAISED.

Brannis, R  
Hunsicker, John  
Murry, J G D  
Parish, John

*Affiliated*—F. M. Baker, Sam Fischel, J. H. Penny, B. C. Wren, J. P. Womack, in 1857; and E. P. Griswold, in 1856.

*Demitted*—W. D. Higginbotham, G. M. Thompson, B. C. Wren, in 1857; and S. J. Davis, A. Neatherby, in 1856.

*Expelled*—John Agnew.

## DEERFIELD LODGE, NO. 120.

*Deerfield, Carroll Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Stovall, J L.....	W M	Trezevant, G W.....	Secretary
Munholland, M M.....	S W	Trezevant, J P.....	S D
Munholland, L M.....	J W	Carroll, Jas .....	J D
Purvis, Wm C.....	Treasurer	McDonald, J.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Balf, Nathaniel	Mabin, W J	Stevens, Wm H
Cater, Geo R	Mabin, Isaac	Slider, C R
Calloway, John S	McKay, Wm	Wright, Jacob
Doggett, W T	Mosely, J W	Wolf, J H
Horn, John	Oliver, Thos F	
Lowry, J S M	Simms, Leroy	Total—24.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Balf, Nathaniel	Balf, Nathaniel	Balf, Nathaniel
	Munholland, M M	Munholland, M M
	Munholland, L M	Munholland, L M
	McDonald, Joel	McDonald, Joel

*Affiliated*—J. S. Calloway.

*Demitted*—Geo. R. Cater, J. S. M. Lowry.

## LISBON LODGE, NO. 121.

*Lisbon, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Sparks, E.....	W M	Coleman, B R.....	Secretary
Hester, W D.....	S W	Brooks, J C.....	S D
Pennington, T H.....	J W	Tait, C H.....	J D
Cook, J.....	Treasurer	Akan, John.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Blackman, A	Harris, Eli	Roberson, J S
Clement, J M	Hough, J	Todd, C W
Coleman, T B	Higginbotham, D	Tait, J H



## MEMBERS.

Cross, W H	Haynes, F	Tatum, Seth
Coleman, W G	Hester, E P	Williams, J H
Carpenter, E	Kimbell, G W	Wheeler, R L
Duke, J J	Meador, J L	Waugh, J W
Elliott, J M P	Pool, T M	
Fuller, S J	Roberson, S M	Total--33.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Coleman, T B	Coleman, T B	Clement, J M
Hester, E P	Hester, E P	Coleman, T B
		Higginbotham, D
		Hester, E P

*Affiliated*—G. W. Kimbell, J. W. Waugh.

*Demitted*—J. M. Clement, J. M. P. Elliott, D. Higginbotham, F. Haynes, J. L. Meador, J. S. Roberson, S. Tatum.

*Died*—J. Hough.

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 MACKEY LODGE, NO. 122.

*Ringgold, Bienville Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Cawthon, J D.....	W M	Kolb, Alex J.....	Secretary
Theus, J C.....	S W	Allums, B S.....	S D
Shehee, T S.....	J W	Cawthon, G W.....	J D
Prothro, T L.....	Treasurer	Davis, W G.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allums, W D	Caldwell, J A	Scott, John H
Brown, H T	Davis, E W	Shehee, H D
Bryan, James	Davis, F B	Stiles, Richard

## MEMBERS.

Bryan, J B	Munroe, James	Thomas, J B
Bryan, T C	Manning, Simon	Tooke, J J
Cawthon, W M D	Mims, J D	Vaughn, John
Cawthon, A T	McDuffie, G W	Vickers, J J
Coster, W H	Manning, B M	Watts, J C
Total—32.		

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Prothro, T L	Manning, B M	Manning, B M
Stiles, Richard	Prothro, T L	Prothro, T L
Williams, David	Stiles, Richard	Stiles, Richard
	Williams, David	

*Demitted*—John Vaughan.

*Died*—J. D. Mims.

## LIBERTY LODGE, NO. 123.

*Keechie, De Soto Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Birdsong, Miles J.....	W M	Hudnall, J W.....	Secretary
Wells, D S.....	S W	Horn, C N.....	S D
Wood, F E.....	J W	Cater, W G.....	J D
Foster, F.....	Treasurer	Allwine, J S.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Atkins, J G	Headrick, G	Scogin, T L
Boney, W G	Lacey, W A	Scogin, L G
Brantley, J L	McNamara, M	Thompson, D
Britton, T W	Parker, S D	Turner, W M
Gatlin, T M	Rochelle, J L	White, J M
Guill, J	Rochelle, T W	Weatherford, Geo
Holmes, R	Scogin, B T	Total—28.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Atkins, J G	Atkins, J G	Atkins, J G
Cater, W G	Cater, W G	Cater, W G
Weatherford, George	Weatherford, George	Weatherford, George
Land, S L	Land, S L	

*Demitted*—J. L. Rochelle, J. M. White, B. T. Scogin, Geo. Weatherford.

## KELLERTOWN LODGE, NO. 124.

*Kellertown, Parish of East Feliciana, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Norwood, A J.....	W M	Reily, S W.....	Secretary
Freeman, Z.....	S W	Gore, Clement.....	S D
Palmer, C S.....	J W	Robinson, H D.....	J D
Coleman, E N.....	Treasurer	Stanley, W H.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bankston, A C	Hunt, James M	Palmer, L A
Boatner, E J	Hunt, Wm W	Palmer, Wm F
Bethany, R F	Hughes, Wm	Palmer, M W
Cason, J Thos	James, John	Pemble, Thos W
Culbreath, A R	Jeter, S L	Pemble, R J
Crisp, W M	McGraw, Thos L	Redhead, Joseph
Daniels, W A	Monaghan, Jas P	Sellers, Jacob C
Engle, J J	McCraigne, Archibald	Singletary, John L
Gayle, L G	McNeil, Chas	Smith, Isaac B
Graves, Benj'n	McQueen, Norman	Stafford, Jas C
Graves, S H	Miller, Daniel	Stafford, Sam'l W
Graves, J Thos	Nesmith, F J	Sims, W A
Hudson, Jas S	Newsom, J W	Tousineau, Daniel
Hudson, G A	Palmer, R P	White, John A

Total—50.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Hughes, William	Hughes, William	Hughes, William
McQueen, Norman	McQueen, Norman	McNeil, Chas
Stafford, Jas C	Stafford, Jas C	McQueen, Norman
Sims, W A	Sims, W A	Miller, Daniel
White, John A	White, John A	Stafford, Jas C
Saunders, J W	Saunders, J W	Sims, W A
Worsham, Jas H	Worsham, Jas H	White, John A
Woods, Chas	Woods, Chas	
Castor, Seth P		
Williams, Mark B		

*Affiliated*—J. W. Stafford.

*Demitted*—E. J. Boatner, J. T. Cason, W. A. Daniels, H. S. Graves,  
J. P. Monaghan, Daniel Miller.

*Died*—G. A. Hudson.

## PEARL RIVER LODGE, NO. 125.

*Line Academy, Washington Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Warren, Wm C.....	W M	Rankin, Wm J.....	Secretary
Ford, Jas M.....	S W	Fornea, Thos J.....	S D
Warren, Samuel J.....	J W	Rankin, Geo W.....	J D
Rankin, Wm M.....	Treasurer	Fornea, John A.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Adams, S W	Forbes, A J	Pearson, Isaac
Adams, W H	Fortinberry, W G	Pigot, Nathaniel
Ard, Jas F	Hardy, Absalom	Rankin, John W

Ard, Joseph	Harvey, A A	Rester, Washington
Ard, Wm, Senr	Humphrey, B H	Rouse, Chas
Amacker, Jas A	Jordan, Jas A	Seale, J C
Byrd, D S	Johnson, H W	Smith, James
Daniel, Robert	Magee, Siah	Tate, T W A J
Ford, J W	Magehee, D L	Warren, J B W
Ford, Watson	Moody, John	Warren, D R
Total—38.		

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Adams, S W	Adams, S W	Adams, S W
Fortinberry, W G	Fortinberry, W G	Fortinberry, W G
Humphrey, B H	Humphrey, B H	Humphrey, B H
Moody, John	Moody, John	Moody, John
Magehee, D L	Magehee, D L	Magehee, D L
Pearson, Isaac	Pearson, Isaac	Pearson, Isaac
Pigot, Nathaniel	Pigot, Nathaniel	Pigot, Nathaniel
Rouse, Chas	Rouse, Chas	Rouse, Chas
Forbes, N C	Forbes, N C	Smith, James
Pigot, Isaac		
Rials, J B		
Stuart, Jas A		

*Affiliated*—T. W. A. J. Tate, J. A. Amacker, J. M. Ford.

*Demitted*—James A. Jordan.

*Died*—Wm. Ard, Senr.

*Suspended*—J. E. Smith.

## ARCADIA LODGE, NO. 126.

*Arcadia, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Searcy, R M.....	W M	Wheaton, R J.....	Secretary
Brown, Samuel.....	S W	Butler, J R.....	S D
Givens, Wm T.....	J W	Harrell, John.....	J D
Winfrey, A B C.....	Treasurer	Gray, John F.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Aswell, B W	Delong, M	Moore, Washington
Billings, E	Duty, L A	McLain, M D
Brice, Wm	Givens, John D	Mitchell, F L
Brown, John F	Givens, J A H	Rich, Josiah
Butler, B F	Henderson, P	Ragan, W W
Clement, Jas C	Lucas, Wm A	Tilly, Wm
Cobb, Ira G	Mitchell, B S	Thompson, A F
Drago, John	McGuire, Thos	Total—31.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Butler, John R	Butler, John R	Butler, John R
Cobb, Ira G	Cobb, Ira G	Cobb, Ira G
Givens, John D	Givens, John D	Givens, John D
Gray, John F	Gray, John F	Gray, John F
Henderson, P	Henderson, P	Henderson, P
Baker, Darius		

*Affiliated*—John Harrell, F. L. Mitchell, W. W. Ragan.

*Died*—M. D. McLain.

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 SPRINGHILL LODGE, NO. 127.

*Springhill Church, Union Cross Roads, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Moore, James.....	W M	Hopkins, J W.....	Secretary
Goldsby, P R.....	S W	Caskey, A F.....	S D
Cammack, E E. #.....	J W	Dawkins, D D.....	J D
Burke, G H.....	Treasurer	Everett, Rev J P.....	Chaplain
Garner, T J.....		Tyler	

## MEMBERS.

Andrews, J T B	Dennis, J N	McBride, D
Buckly, H L	Everett, G W	Pistole, A
Bruce, J M	Echols, J B	Rains, E
Carter, W B	Green, J E	Simmons, M T
Caskey, S P	Hambrick, John	Stewart, J J
Caskey, J W	Harper, P C	Tucker, D J
Caskey, W H	Johnson, A W	Wood, O P
Creath, J A	Johnson, Z	Woodall, A J
Cammack, D J	Moore, T L	Watkins, J
Clowe, C W	Murphy, G W	Watkins, John
Cook, B P	Martin, J A	Watkins, D A
Darden, G W	McFadden, T M	White, J T
Daniels, M E	McVicker, P H	Wasson, W W
		Total—48.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Dawkins, D D	Dawkins, D D	Dawkins, D D
Harper, P C	Harper, P C	Harper, P C
Andrews, E O G	McVicker, P H	McVicker, P H
Green, J H		
Gully, H C		
Stripling, A G		

*Affiliated*—D. McBride.

*Demitted*—J. M. Bruce, W. B. Carter, D. J. Cammack, G. W. Everett,  
J. A. Martin, M. T. Simmons, A. J. Woodall, W. W. Wasson.

*Suspended*—G. W. Darden.

*Stricken from the Roll*—E. Rains, J. J. Stewart, D. J. Tucker.

*Reinstated*—D. J. Tucker.

## D'ARBONNE LODGE, NO. 128.

*D'Arbonne Academy, Union Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Henry, R H.....	W M	McCormick, F.....	Secretary
McCormick, W S.....	S W	Shultz, J B.....	S D
Millsaps, Thomas.....	J W	Dring, J.....	J D
Taylor, Elias.....	Treasurer	Honeycutt, A.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Franklin, Owen	Johnson, G W	Thompson, L H
Grice, J N	Landers, J B	Williams, John
Hicks, G W	Sheilds, A M	Woodward, John E
Horton, G W		Total—18.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Franklin, Owen	Franklin, Owen	Franklin, Owen
Shultz, J B	Shultz, J B	Shultz, J B
Butler, Wm	Butler, Wm	
Wells, W	Hicks, J G	
Rossiter, W	Wells, W	
Auld, J W		

*Demitted—G. W. Horton.*

## DAWSON LODGE, NO. 129.

*Scottsville, Claiborne Parish, La.*

[No Returns.]



## SOLOMON LODGE, NO. 130.

*Goodrich Landing, Pecan Grove P. O., Carroll Parish, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Richardson, J A.....	W M	Goodrich, Silas.....	Secretary
Goodrich, Henry.....	S W	Manning, A S.....	S D
Evans, T M.....	J W	Bledsoe, W F.....	J D
Mershon, Thomas.....	Treasurer	Sale, Johnson.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Atkins, Chas	Hanna, P H	Richardson, Hugh
Bledsoe, Cyrus	Mershon, Wyatt	Scarborough, Thomas C
Castleman, D F	Morgan, O J	Shaw, Henry
Deeson, J S	Morgan, O T	Walker, S R
Deeson, W M	Morgan, Michael	
Guire, Emanuel	McLean, Samuel	Total—24.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

## INITIATED.

## PASSED.

## RAISED.

Bledsoe, Cyrus	Bledsoe, Cyrus	Bledsoe, Cyrus
Richardson, Hugh (1856)	Richardson, Hugh	Richardson, Hugh
Smith, A C		

*Affiliated—W. F. Bledsoe, Thos. C. Scarborough, S. R. Walker.*

## SHILOH LODGE, NO. 131.\*

*Shiloh, Union Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Edmunds, John.....	W M	White, J C B.....	Secretary
Faucher, John.....	S W	— — — — —	S D
Weldon, W R.....	J W	— — — — —	J D
— — — — —	Treasurer	— — — — —	Tyler

\* Returns received since closing of Grand Lodge, and not reported on by Committee.

## MEMBERS.

Byram, Q A	Fuller, E S	Knott, J C
Bagwell, B	Fitzgerald, W C	Little, M
Breed, W	Findley, L	Leach, J A
Brittain, B B	Green, Harris	Ligau, L
Callaway, A M	Green, A	Moore, G W
Crawford, J W	Hopkins, Wm	Pleasants, R G
Crawford, Jas	Heard, W C	Patrick, F
Clark, J R	Heath, Joel	Porter, T
Callaway, J C	Huffman, R	Sutton, W
Edwards, C	Harris, A W	Tubb, J
Fuller, Benj	Harris, D M	Tubb, B
Fuller, D W	Heard, S S	Williams, J
Fuller, J F	Huthnance, J W H	Wade A
Fuller, L B	Henry, C J	Weldon, J M
Fuller, S M	Johnson, J H, Jr	Total—48.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Heard, C A	Green, Harris	Green, Harris
Hammock, A	Heard, C A	Green, A
		Heath, Joel

*Affiliated*—J. R. Clark, F. Patrick, J. C. B. White.

*Demitted*—J. W. H. Huthnance.

## WARREN LODGE, NO. 132.

*Warsaw, Franklin Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Pettit, Joseph.....	W M	Hooter, J W.....	Secretary
Osborn, M S.....	S W	Washburn, M.....	S D
Ward, L S.....	J W	Davidson, A J.....	J D
Head, J H.....	Treasurer	McCalip, A K.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Butler, John	Hamilton, J G	Moore, R D
Block, H	Hayter, T B	Moore, J
Cutter, E W	Merritt, J	Nash, J N
Greenwell, S W	Moore, J L	Randolf, J M
Total—20.		

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

## INITIATED.

Head, J H  
 Hamilton, J G  
 Ward, L S  
 Washburn, M  
 Greenlee, J S  
 Joice, Wm H  
 Norwood, A T  
 Chandler, N W  
 Osborn, J W  
 Osborn, A F  
 Pruitt, J A  
 Rapp, Wm E  
 Redfield, R C

## PASSED.

Head, J H  
 Hamilton, J G  
 Nash, J N  
 Ward, L S  
 Washburn, M  
 Greenlee, J S  
 Joice, Wm H  
 Norwood, A T

## RAISED.

Head, J H  
 Hamilton, J G  
 Nash, J N  
 Ward, L S  
 Washburn, M

*Affiliated*—S. W. Greenwell, J. W. Hooter, A. K. McCalip.

*Died*—T. B. Hayter.

## GORDY LODGE, NO. 133.

*Cheneyville, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Pearce, John W.....	W M	Audibert, J H.....	S D
Stafford, L A .....	S W	Frith, T P.....	J D
Gould, V.....	J W	Slaughter, S .....	Marshal
McCormick, C G.....	Treasurer	Stewart, Wm H.....	Chaplain
Scott, Wm H.....	Secretary	Drinkard, J G.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Branch, L K	Ewell, Wm M	Marshall, Wm B
Callihan, D M	Ferguson, H B	Robert, J J
Clements, Thos	Gale, Josiah	Robertson, A J
Cheney, Wm F, Jr	Hendricks, R W	Thomas, J W
Cappel, J A	Irwin, R R	Wells, M
Ewell, John	Keary, P F	Washington, R W
Total—28.		

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Hart, Robert	Robertson, A J	Robertson, A J
	Cheney, Oscar	

## HARRY HILL LODGE, NO. 134.

*Bastrop, La.*

## OFFICERS.

McFee, Wm.....	W M	Whetstone, J A.....	Secretary
Parsons, S G.....	S W	Stevens, J H.....	S D
Briscoe, R B.....	J W	Buntin, J L.....	J D
Hinson, R M.....	Treasurer	Worley, A T.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brice, W N	Knox, A A H	Starsney, Edward
Bobo, A J	Mathews, J B	Silbernagel, W
Brigham, J H	Nosworthy, Thos	Todd, R B
Briscoe, J B	Pettitt, James	Weeks, J C
Johnson, J J	Pipes, John	Wynn, R W
Kemp, H B	Ross, E K W	Young, G W
Total—26.		

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Buntin, J L	Buntin, J L	Buntin, J L
Pipes, John	Pipes, John	Pipes, John
Stevens, J H	Stevens, J H	Stevens, J H
Barrow, J W	Monette, James	
Davis, John		
Brodnax, T A		
Monette, James		

*Died*—J. J. Johnson.

## PLAINS LODGE, NO. 135.

*Plains, Parish of East Baton Rouge, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Young, Wm.....W M	Young, H C.....Secretary
Nettles, Joseph A.....S W	Carney, J P.....S D
Loudon, Jas M.....J W	Nettles, J D.....J D
Young, Robt T.....Treasurer	Chaney, W S.....Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Cole, Warren J	Knox, J C	Neville, A M
Caldwell, John	Lilley, Jas Y	Netterville, Geo B
Dickson, W A	McRae, W D L	Pennington, A J
Groom, John R	McGlaughlin, —	Ranaldson, W B
Henderson, D J	McCarthy, Jas, Sr	Ranaldson, L R
Jones, Dr J W	McHugh, John A	Whitaker, John B
Kirkland, J D A		Total—27.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Chaney, W S	Chaney, W S	Chaney, W S
Beherns, G F	Beherns, G F	

*Affiliated*—Dr. J. W. Jones, A. J. Pennington.

## ATHENS LODGE, NO. 136.

*Athens, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Hardee, W T.....	W M	Ramsey, John R.....	Secretary
Brown, E A D.....	S W	Cargill, W T.....	S D
Hays, C L.....	J W	Hadley, John.....	J D
McClendon, H H.....	Treasurer	Leatherman, Thomas.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Almand, A W	Johnson, C R	Miller, S B
Bowlevare, R P	Kennon, R M	Walker, G W
Cargill, J C	Leverett, W G	Walker, N H
Cargill, D	Lesseur, J A M	Ward, W W
Gee, C P	Pate, A W	Total—22.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Bowlevare, R P	Bowlevare, R P	Bowlevare, R P
Hadley, John	Hadley, John	Hadley, John
Leverett, W G	Leverett, W G	Leverett, W G
Pate, A W	Pate, A W	Pate, A W

*Affiliated*—H. H. McClendon.

*Demitted*—C. P. Gee, J. A. M. Lesseur.

## MURRAY LODGE, NO. 137.

*Alexandria, La.*

[Charter Forfeited and Returned, Feb. 8, 1858.—No Returns made.]

## JEFFERSONIAN LODGE, NO. 138.

*Jefferson Steam Mills, De Soto Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Primm, Thos.....	W M	Scott, W C.....	Secretary
Scott, L F.....	S W	Lester, B L.....	S D
Best, E R.....	J W	Tomkies, L L.....	J D
Durham, W T.....	Treasurer	Lester, T M.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Beard, Jas H	McKnight, W A	Reynolds, S
Farmer, J M	Norris, E C	Ridgway, R R
Gough, W D	Powell, S H	Tomkies, John F
Total—17.		

*Affiliated*—W. A. McKnight, R. R. Ridgway, L. F. Scott.*Demitted*—J. M. Farmer, W: D. Gough, E. C. Norris, S. Reynolds.*Died*—S. H. Powell.

## HOUMA LODGE, NO. 139.

*Houma, Parish of Terrebonne, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Aycock, Joseph.....	W M	Newell, H.....	Secretary
Jennings, J L.....	S W	Dunn, J B.....	S D
Gagné, J A.....	J W	Hatch, W.....	J D
Tennent, C.....	Treasurer	Gagné, E O.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bisland, John R	Delaporte, A J	Miller, Jas M
Buford, Thos	Fuqua, N D	Miller, Elias
Blahut, James	Gray, W F	Mooring, W H
Collins, H F	Gagné, F	Rogers, J L
Cage, A G	Lyon, L C P	White, W H
Dodds, J B	Lovenstein, H	Total—25.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Mooring, W H	Buford, Thomas	Buford, Thomas
Phipps, David	Hatch, W	Delaporte, A J
Anderson, L F	Mooring, W H	Hatch, W
Woods, A V	Phipps, David	Mooring, W H
D. P. M. John M		

A. V. Woods, J. B. Dodds, W. H. White, A. V. Woods, (E. A.)

## COOL SPRING LODGE, NO. 140.

*Cool Spring Academy, (Homer P. O.,) Claiborne Parish, La.*

[No Returns.]

## HUNTINGTON LODGE, NO. 141.

*Minden, Parish of Claiborne, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Doyle, D B.....	W M	Ford, James.....	Secretary
Spencer, Almond.....	S W	Ratliffe, Isaiah.....	S D
George, A B.....	J W	Hamilton, J B.....	J D
Chaffie, John.....	Treasurer	Montgomery, A V.....	Tyler



## MEMBERS.

Blackburn, W J	Dortch, Jas N	Hodges, E R
Bruton, B F	Doyle, S W	Leary, Calvin
Canfield, F M	Fay, E H	Quarles, J W
Cole, J M	Gray, Simcon	Rossman, Walter
Colbert, A J	Gray, Josiah	Sheilds, Wm
Dean, T J	Hardy, C L	Smith, W H
Dortch, W E		Total—27.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Gray, Josiah	Canfield, F M	Canfield, F M
Culpepper, S W	Gray, Josiah	Dean, W J
	Culpepper, S W	Gray, Josiah

*Affiliated*—E. R. Hodges.

*Demitted*—J. M. Cole, W. H. Smith.

## HOME LODGE, NO. 142.

*Corner Magazine and St. Philip Streets, Fourth District, New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Batchelor, J C.....	W M	Beattie, Wm .....	Secretary
Hillger, C L.....	S W	Drews, Wm.....	.....
Stanley, R W.....	J W	Weidt, Charles.....	J E
McNeil, A.....	Treasurer	Savage, Robt.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Anderson, John	Knight, G F	Olsen, F
Batchelor, S S	Lunn, Thos	Richards, F
Boyer, Louis	Lemley, D	Simpson, Geo

## MEMBERS.

Burt, D	Michell, J J	Trabue, L
Barrett, J T	McNeil, D	Thorp, J F
Hoffman, J	McNeil, H	Wilson, W W
King, G	Miller, R	Welsh, Mark
Kent, James	McNamee, James	Young, Jacob
		Total—32.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Barrett, John T	Beattie, Wm	Beattie, Wm
McNamee, James	Barrett, J T	Barrett, J T
Trabue, L	McNamee, James	McNamee, James
Weidt, Charles	Trabue, L	Trabue, L
Cox, G	Weidt, Charles	Weidt, Charles
Grofton, R	Cox, G	
Heiner, Jacob	Grofton, R	
Thomas, C	Heiner, Jacob	
Fairbanks, J H	Thomas, C	

*Affiliated*—J. Hoffman, R. Miller.

*Demitted*—John F. Thorp.

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## DOWNSVILLE LODGE, NO. 143.

*Downsville, Union Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Farmer, B F.....	W M	Woodward, J E.....	Secretary
Downs, H D.....	S W	Stinson, G A.....	S D
Stinson, H F.....	J W	Walsworth, R B.....	J D
Ellis, B C.....	Treasurer	Carter, John.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Barns, Wm	Hinton, John	Jones, Gilbert
Callaway, W S	Honeycutt, Alvin	Larche, Lucien
Dixon, J A	Hammonds, John	Larche, S O
Greer, Thomas	Hammonds, Joseph	McMillan, A

Total—20.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Barns, Wm	Barns, Wm	Barns, Wm
Hinton, John	Hinton, John	Greer, Thomas
Honeycutt, A	Honeycutt, A	Hinton, John
Hammonds, Joseph	Hammonds, Joseph	Honeycutt, A
Jones, G	Jones, G	Hammonds, Joseph
McMillan, A	McMillan, A	Jones, G
		McMillan, A
		Walsworth, R B

*Affiliated*—H. D. Downs.*Demitted*—Wm. Barns, John Hammonds, Joseph Hammonds.

## OCEAN LODGE, NO. 144.

*New Orleans, Marigny Buildings, Third District.*

## OFFICERS.

Goldman, A.....	W M	Barth, G.....	S D
Millspaugh, H.....	S W	Boyne, Michael.....	J D
Warren, J P.....	J W	McClellan, J.....	Steward
Pearce, Joseph.....	Treasurer	Wessel, J P.....	"
Letten, J A.....	Secretary	Long, W.....	Marshal
Ungerer, J J.....		Tyler	

## MEMBERS.

Anderson, Robert	Gottschalk, E G	Low, Wm
Anfoux, O	Gunther, Julius	Marshall, Robt, Jr
Barnett, Edward	Getz, Chas	Magner, Joseph
Barthelmy, J F	Heation, John	Magner, S
Bell, Thos	Howes, Geo	Massicot, J J E
Bourges, Alfred	Henningsen, J C	Meekins, R L
Buck, August	Hanson, Martin	Peterson, Mark
Caillat, H	Hanson, Thos	Reinhardt, Lewis
Clark, Wm	Higgins, J C	Raymond, J M
Cooper, Joseph	Kohn, Leon	Smith, Wm
Connor, Thos	Levy, Wm	Tracy, M
Clark, Joseph	Lewis, J H	Weeks, Chas
Diggs, Joseph	Lugenbuhl, Geo	Williams, Peter
England, Richard	Lillenthal, B J	Wright, H
Fortman, A		Total—54.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Fortman, A	Fortman, A	Connor, Thomas
Getz, Chas	Getz, Chas	Fortman, A
Henningsen, J C	Henningsen, J C	Getz, Chas
Hanson, Martin	Hanson, Martin	Henningsen, J C
Hanson, Thos	Hanson, Thos	Hanson, Martin
Higgins, J C	Higgins, J C	Hanson, Thos
Lillenthal, B J	Lillenthal, B J	Higgins, J C
Low, Wm	Low, Wm	Lillenthal, B J
Wright, H	Raymond, J M	Low, Wm
Bugel, Fred'k	Wright, H	Raymond, J M
Roberts, John	Bugel, Fred'k	Williams, Peter
Breshwood, J G	Reimer, W F	Wright, H
Bray, T W	Roberts, John	
Minott, J B		
Sandberg, Christian		

*Affiliated*—O. Anfoux, G. Howes, L. Kohn, H. Millspaugh, J. Pearce, M. Tracy.

*Demitted*—A. Buck, A. Fortman, G. Gottschalk, J. Gunther, Thomas Hanson, S. Magnier.

*Suspended*—George Lugenbuhl.

*Stricken from the Roll*—J. J. E. Massicot, and since expelled by the Grand Lodge.

## HOPE LODGE, NO. 145.

*Vermillionville, Lafayette Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Girard, M E.....	W M	Bailey, Abijah.....	Secretary
Mouton, C H.....	S W	Eastin, H.....	S D
Caffery, J J.....	J W	Daigle, F.....	J D
Voorhies, H F.....	Treasurer	Dugat, R.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Arceneaux, P S	Dufour, A	Martin, A
Bailey, Adolphe	Erwin, W B	Martin, V A
Brandt, Wm	Higginbotham, N	Mouton, Alex
Coulouviat, C	Levy, Samuel	Richard, A
		Total—20.

### DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Arceneaux, P S	Arceneaux, P S	Arceneaux, P S
Bailey, Adolphe	Bailey, Adolphe	Bailey, Adolphe
Brandt, Wm	Brandt, Wm	Brandt, Wm
Eastin, H	Eastin, H	Daigle, F
Levy, Samuel	Levy, Samuel	Eastin, H
Martin, V A	Martin, V A	Levy, Samuel
Voorhies, H F	Voorhies, H F	Martin, V A
Read, H O	Read, H O	Voorhies, H F

*Affiliated*—Alexander Mouton.

*Suspended*—William Brandt.

*Reinstated*—William Brandt.

## SILENT BROTHERHOOD LODGE, NO. 146.

*Coushatta Chute P. O., Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Clark, Samuel.....	W M	Cowdin, L D.....	Secretary
Wynn, G H.....	S W	Murph, J E.....	S D
Armistead, F L.....	J W	Franklin, G.....	J D
Armistead, W W.....	Treasurer	Lee, B S.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Armistead, R H	Harville, Hardin	Ridens, H T
Haden, A M	Lisso, A M	Wilson, J T
Hailey, A B	Poag, John	Total—16.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

## INITIATED.

Killgore, Wm

## PASSED.

Lisso, A M  
Killgore, Wm

## RAISED.

Lisso, A M

*Demitted—A. M. Haden, H. T. Ridens, J. T. Wilson.*

## ANACOCO LODGE, NO. 147.

*Anacoco, Sabine Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Martin, R W.....	W M	Smart, A C.....	Secretary
West, M.....	S W	Groves, James.....	S D
Smart, R W.....	J W	Smart, L W.....	J D
Winfree, E A.....	Treasurer	May, David.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bray, N H	Hale, A	Smart, W W
Brown, R A	Martin, W L	Turner, S
Cooper, Lewis	McCollister, J N	Word, J H
Eddleman, J P	McGee, John	Williams, H A
Gill, T J	Smith, G A	Total—22.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Bray, N H	Bray, N H	Bray, N H
Gill, W E	Regan, J H	Williams, H A
Regan, J H		
Bray, Cavil		

*Demitted*—R. A. Brown, Lewis Cooper, J. P. Eddleman, T. J. Gill, A. Hale, W. L. Martin, G. A. Smith, S. Turner, J. H. Word, H. A. Williams.

## RED LAND LODGE, NO. 148.

*Rocky Mount, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Campbell, J B.....	W M	Allen, J G.....	Secretary
Edens, W E.....	S W	Holloway, R F.....	S D
Holloway, J M.....	J W	Martin, M.....	J D
Ingram, James.....	Treasurer	Cannon, J.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Arnett, G W	Gambill, J B	Spurlin, A J
Allen, G	Martin, A	Sanders, J H
Edens, J C	O'Daniel, C S	Swindle, C
		Total—17.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Allen, G	Allen, G	Allen, G
Cannon, J	Cannon, J	Cannon, J
Engram, Jas	Engram, Jas	Engram, Jas

*Affiliated*—J. H. Sanders, in 1856.

*Demitted*—J. B. Gambill, J. H. Sanders, C. Swindle.

## DARLINGTON LODGE, U. D.

*Darlington, St. Helena Parish, La.*

[Charter granted, February 10th, 1858—No. 149.]

## OFFICERS.

Carter, W W.....	W M	Williams, P A B.....	Secretary
Davis, Samuel.....	S W	Nettles, J L.....	S D
Williams, R W.....	J W	Doughty, B.....	J D
Shelton, J R.....	Treasurer	Allen, T D.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Collins, M M	Higginbotham, L	Norwood, Z G
Higginbotham, C	Lambeth, J N	Taylor, J G
Hunt, W J	McCraine, M H	Wilson, D P
Total—17.		

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Collins, M M	Collins, M M	Collins, M M
Higginbotham, C	Higginbotham, C	Higginbotham, C
Hunt, W J	Hunt, W J	Hunt, W J



INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Lambeth, J N	Lambeth, J N	Higginbotham, L
Norwood, Z G	Norwood, Z G	Lambeth, J N
Thompson, C	Thompson, C	McCraine, M H
Williams, R	Williams, R	Norwood, Z G
Thompson, H		Wilson, D P

*Affiliated*—L. Higginbotham, F. C.; J. L. Nettles.

*Demitted*—John G. Taylor.

#### OFFICERS ELECTED UNDER CHARTER.

Davis, Sam'l.....	W M	Norwood, Z G.....	Secretary
McCraine, M H.....	S W	Williams, D P.....	S D
Collins, M M.....	J W	Higginbotham, C.....	J D
Nettles, J L.....	Treasurer	Hurst, J W.....	Tyler

#### PERKINS LODGE, U. D.

*Donaldsonville, Ascension Parish, La.*

[Charter granted, February 10th, 1858.—No. 150.]

#### OFFICERS.

Powell, A J.....	W M	Miller, H W.....	Secretary
Mavor, C L.....	S W	Lockard, P A.....	S D
Nicholls, F T.....	J W	Seeleman, S.....	J D
Cox, E B.....	Treasurer	Taylor, R F.....	Tyler

#### MEMBERS.

Dodd, J A	Lion, Michel	Weinschenek, S
Kellett, J A	Nicholls, L D	Total—13.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Kellett, J A	Kellett, J A	Kellett, J A
Lion, Michel	Lion, Michel	Lion, Michel
Weinschenck, S	Weinschenck, S	Weinschenck, S
Hewitt, J W	Hewitt, J W	

## OFFICERS ELECTED UNDER CHARTER.

Nicholls, L D.....	W M	Lockard, P A.....	S D
Mavor, C M.....	S W	Cox, E B.....	J D
Nicholls, F T.....	J W	Weinschenck, S.....	Steward
Lion, Michel.....	Treasurer	Dodd, J A.....	"
Seeleman, Samuel.....	Secretary	P. Rougeau.....	Tyler

## EASTERN STAR LODGE, U. D.

*Winnfield, Winn Parish, La.*

[Charter granted, February 10th, 1858.—No. 151.]

## OFFICERS.

Hicks, G W.....	W M	— — — — —	Secretary
Walker, Wm.....	S W	— — — — —	S D
Emanuel, Asa.....	J W	— — — — —	J D
— — — — —	Treasurer	— — — — —	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Burnstein, P	Hargis, Q A	Stovall, J W
Brock, Jas	Luckey, Wm	Sims, R C
Edwards, E W	Mathis, J A	Stone, Wm
Ernest, Sam'l	Parsons, C B	Ussery, Benjamin
Green, J J	Rogers, S W	Womack, Jesse

Total—18.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Burnstein, P	Burnstein, P	Burnstein, P
Brock, James	Brock, Jas	Brock, Jas
Hargis, Q A	Hargis, Q A	Hargis, Q A
Ussery, Benj	Ussery, Benj	Ussery, Benj
Womack, Jesse	Womack, Jesse	Womack, Jesse
Fouts, T J	Fouts, T J	
Martin, E C		
Teagle, J J		

*Affiliated*--John A. Mathis.

## HOMER LODGE, U. D.

*Homer, Claiborne Parish, La.*

[Charter granted, February 10th, 1858--No. 152.]

## OFFICERS.

Dyer, D Henry.....	W M	Leak, J F.....	Secretary
Tilly, J M.....	S W	Whitson, E B.....	S D
Brooks, J T.....	J W	Millican, J A.....	J D
Price, G W.....	Treasurer	Brown, W P....	(Not a member).....Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Cornelius, M A	Speer, T S	Smith, J P
		Total—10.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Cornelius, M A	Cornelius, M A	Cornelius, M A
Speer, T S	Speer, T S	Speer, T S
Cripps, D C	Cripps, D C	
Stacey, J W	Stacey, J W	
	Jones F A	

## SAINTS JOHN LODGE, U. D.

*Algiers, Parish of Orleans, La.*

[Charter granted, February 10th, 1858—No. 153.]

## OFFICERS.\*

Seger, A B.....	W M	Thayer, T.....	Secretary
Mitchell, John .....	S W	Dodge, L J.....	S D
Hasam, Thomas.....	J W	Hanson, Thomas.....	J D
Bunck, August.....	Treasurer	Ungerrerr, J G ...	(Not a member).... Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bennett, John	Fortman, A	Long, D A
Bayley, G W R	Hasling, John	Richardson, John
Dodge, L W		Total--14.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

## INITIATED.

## PASSED.

## RAISED.

Thayer, Theophilus

\*Same officers elected under Charter.

## FILLMORE LODGE, U. D.

*Fillmore, Bossier Parish, La.*

[Charter granted, February 12th, 1858—No. 154.]

## OFFICERS.

McDade, A J.....	W M	Walker, J A.....	Secretary
Martin, Godfrey.....	S W	Brothers, W E.....	S D
Lyon, H J.....	J W	Collins, J H.....	J D
Miller, J.....	Treasurer	Ferguson, J A.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Applewhite, J L	Henderson, D J	Platt, David
Barncastle, H	Hodges, J C	Platt, Wm
Bryan, W B	Hudson, E	Regan, John
Bledsoe, J M	Lawrence, A	Ray, W G
Garner, W T	Lock, E B	Springfield, W G
Hamilton, W E	McDade, D T	Saxon, J T
		Total—26.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Applewhite, J L	Applewhite, J L	Applewhite, J L
Bryan, W B	Bryan, W B	Bryan, W B
Bledsoe, J M	Bledsoe, J M	Bledsoe, J M
Garner, W T	Garner, W T	Garner, W T
Hudson, E	Hudson, E	Hudson, E
Lock, E B	Lock, E B	Lock, E B
Ray, W G	Ray, W G	Ray, W G
Platt, David	Platt, David	Platt, David
Platt, Wm	Platt, Wm	Platt, Wm
Saxon, J T	Saxon, J T	Saxon, J T

## CHERRY RIDGE LODGE, U. D.

*Cherry Ridge, Union Parish, La.*

[Charter granted, February 12, 1858—No. 155.]

## OFFICERS.

Bruce, J M.....	W M	Carr, Wm C.....	Secretary
Martin, J A.....	S W	— — — — —	S D
Simmons, M T.....	J W	— — — — —	J D
— — — — —	Treasurer	— — — — —	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Branch, James	Joiner, J E	Ragan, J D
Finton, Geo	Lawrence, Thomas P	Tubb, B M
Joiner, G W	Morison, J F	Wasson, W W
Total—13.		

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Branch, James	Branch, James	Branch, James
Fenton, George	Fenton, George	Fenton, George
Joiner, G W	Joiner, G W	Joiner, G W
Joiner, J E	Joiner, J E	Joiner, J E
Morison, J T	Morison, J T	Morison, J T
Ragan, J D	Ragan, J D	Ragan, J D
Marshall, Peter		
Ragan, W D		

## OFFICERS ELECTED UNDER CHARTER.

Martin, James A.....	W M	Carr, Wm C.....	Secretary
Fenton, George.....	S W	Ragan, J D.....	S D
Simmons, M T.....	J W	Gully, J H.....	J D
Wasson, W W.....	Treasurer	Harris, D M.....	Tyler

## KISSATCHIE LODGE, U. D.

*Kissatchie, Natchitoches Parish, La.*

[Charter granted, February 12th, 1858—No. 156.]

## OFFICERS.

Owings, W P.....	W M	Phares, J K.....	Secretary
McNeely, N G.....	S W	Nash, L J.....	S D
Kile, Jacob.....	J W	Powell, Isaac.....	J D
McNeely, J T.....	Treasurer	Collins, H D.....	Tyler

1858.]

## RETURNS OF CONSTITUENT LODGES.

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## MEMBERS.

Cobb, J S	Self, W J	Welding, Green
Norris, W J		Total—12.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

## INITIATED.

Cobb, J S  
Collins, H D  
Powell, Isaac  
Self, W J  
Mathews, P P

## PASSED.

Cobb, J S  
Collins, H D  
Powell, Isaac  
Self, W J

## RAISED.

Cobb, J S  
Collins, H D  
Powell, Isaac  
Self, W J

*Affiliated*—G. Welding.*Suspended*—J. S. Cobb.

## RAPIDES LODGE, U. D.

*Rapides, Rapides Parish, La.*

[Dispensation continued to December 31st, 1858.]

## OFFICERS.

Burr, G B	W M	Word, J H	S D
Smith, G A	S W	Brown, R A	J D
Eddleman, J P	J W	Gill, T J	Steward
Hewitt, J T	Treasurer	Hale, A	Steward
Cooper, Lewis	Secretary	Turner, S	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Williams, H A

Total—11.

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Ainsworth, A		
Burr, C B		
Iles, H W		
Iles, John		
Johnston, A C		
<i>Affiliated</i> —R. A. Brown, S. A. Turner, H. A. Williams, J. C. Turner, (E. A.)		

## GROSSE TETE LODGE, U. D.

*Bayou Grosse Tete, Louisiana.*

[Dispensation continued to December 31, 1858.]

## OFFICERS.

Marr, Mathew.....	W M	Johnston, J H.....	Secretary
Young, J N.....	S W	Whitney, J S.....	S D
Sigler, Hiram.....	J W	Sugg, P P.....	J D
Gellusseau, Pierre.....	Treasurer	Anselm, B B.....	Tyler
Total—8.			

## DEGREES CONFERRED.

INITIATED.	PASSED.	RAISED.
Hooper, Henry		
Vincent, Avet		

The following Lodges Under Dispensation have made no Returns, viz :

ADAISE.....	Dispensation cancelled.
SWAN LAKE.....	Dispensation to be continued on making Returns and payment of Dues.
MORGANZA.....	Dispensation to be continued on making Returns and payment of Dues.
LAFOURCHE.....	Dispensation cancelled.
IBERVILLE (No. 81.)	Special Dispensation cancelled, Charter forfeited, Books, Jewels, etc., to be returned to Grand Lodge.





# STATISTICAL TABLE OF THE LODGES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE M. W. GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE M. W. GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.																			
Numerical Numbers.	NAMES OF LODGES.	Numbers.	Number of Members.	Initiated.	Passed.	Raised.	Affiliated.	Demitted.	Died.	Suspended.	Expelled.	Reinstated.	Amount to Cr. previous to 1857.	Amount due previous to 1857.	Grand Lodge Dues 1857.	Grand Lodge Hall Dues 1857.	Amount Paid.	Balance Dr.	Balance Cr.
1	PERFECT UNION.....	1	40	1	1	...	1	3	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	42 00	80 00	122 00	.....	.....
2	POLAR STAR.....	1	56	9	8	8	...	4	...	10	...	2	.....	.....	81 00	112 00	193 00	.....	.....
3	CONCORDE.....	3	20	3	...	...	2	2	1	2	...	...	.....	40 00	23 00	40 00	103 00	.....	.....
4	PERSEVERANCE.....	4	49	7	8	8	...	1	2	5	...	...	.....	129 00	72 00	98 00	299 00	.....	.....
5	LOS AMIGOS DEL ORDEN...	5	62	9	12	12	1	13	2	1	2	...	.....	.....	95 00	124 00	219 00	.....	.....
6	HUMBLE COTTAGE.....	19	26	16	12	9	4	2	1	...	...	...	.....	.....	63 00	52 00	116 00	.....	1 00
7	ST. ALBANS.....	28	48	1	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	.....	3 72	51 00	96 00	150 72	.....	.....
8	FELICIANA.....	31	54	5	5	3	...	4	1	1	...	...	.....	.....	67 00	108 00	175 00	.....	.....
9	PHENIX.....	38	45	3	4	2	4	6	1	...	...	...	.....	.....	54 00	90 00	144 00	.....	.....
10	FOYER MACONNIQUE.....	44	48	18	9	10	6	1	1	4	...	1	.....	.....	85 00	96 00	181 00	.....	.....
11	JACKSON.....	45	30	...	...	...	...	2	1	2	...	...	.....	.....	30 00	60 00	90 00	.....	.....
12	GERMANIA.....	46	61	9	9	5	1	3	...	2	1	1	.....	.....	84 00	122 00	206 00	.....	.....
13	ST. JAMES.....	47	72	5	...	...	7	1	1	...	...	...	.....	112 72	77 00	144 00	179 57	154 15	.....
14	PROVIDENCE.....	50	40	6	6	6	4	4	1	8	...	...	.....	147 72	58 00	80 00	285 72	.....	.....
15	MINDEN.....	51	71	8	5	7	3	6	1	2	...	...	.....	.....	91 00	142 00	233 00	.....	.....
16	OLIVE.....	52	83	7	8	7	2	5	3	14	...	...	.....	163 44	105 00	166 00	434 44	.....	.....
17	UNION FRATERNAL.....	53	47	2	1	1	...	5	1	...	...	1	152 38	.....	51 00	94 00	51 00	.....	58 38
18	MOUNT GERIZIM.....	54	40	1	...	...	3	2	3	...	...	...	1 28	.....	41 00	80 00	116 72	3 00	.....
19	DE SOTO.....	55	36	6	6	7	...	3	2	...	...	1	.....	572 82	55 00	72 00	282 47	417 35	.....
20	LAFAYETTE.....	56	56	4	4	2	3	6	1	...	...	...	.....	82	66 00	112 00	178 82	.....	.....
21	FRANKLIN.....	57	54	9	6	4	...	6	...	1	...	...	.....	7 54	73 00	108 00	75 00	113 54	.....
22	FRIENDS OF HARMONY...	58	94	24	22	22	1	4	1	...	...	...	.....	1 00	162 00	188 00	351 00	.....	.....
23	MOUNT MORIAH.....	59	197	38	34	37	3	8	4	...	...	...	.....	.....	306 00	394 00	.....	700 00	.....
24	WESTERN STAR.....	61	47	4	4	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	217 28	.....	57 00	94 00	57 00	.....	123 28
25	TUNICA.....	63	40	10	10	8	1	3	...	1	...	...	.....	.....	68 00	80 00	148 00	.....	.....
26	GEORGE WASHINGTON.....	65	112	15	8	9	6	4	3	...	...	...	.....	.....	144 00	224 00	368 00	.....	.....
27	DUDLEY.....	66	57	18	11	9	14	7	2	1	...	1	.....	.....	95 00	114 00	209 00	.....	.....

28 MARION .....	68	118	14	9	10	6	7	2	2	.....	.....	151 00	236 00	387 00	.....	.....
29 HIRAM .....	70	51	6	6	7	1	5	3	1	.....	.....	70 00	102 00	172 00	.....	.....
30 ALPHA .....	72	62	11	6	6	11	3	1	.....	.....	.....	85 00	124 00	209 00	.....	.....
31 JOPPA * .....	74	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200 68	.....	.....	.....	200 68	.....
32 SABINE .....	75	16	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	147 95	19 00	32 00	86 00	112 95
33 QUITMAN .....	76	69	36	22	19	9	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	146 00	138 00	284 00	.....	.....
34 MOUNT MORIAH .....	77	21	3	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	24 00	42 00	66 00	.....	.....
35 ORLEANS .....	78	77	13	9	8	9	6	2	2	.....	.....	.....	107 00	154 00	261 00	.....
36 ST JOSEPH .....	79	40	2	3	5	2	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	50 00	80 00	130 00	.....
37 DE WITT CLINTON .....	80	26	2	1	.....	.....	3	1	.....	.....	.....	92 26	29 00	52 00	93 50	79 76
38 IBERVILLE † .....	81	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	3 00	.....
39 MOUNT VERNON .....	83	20	5	3	.....	2	4	.....	2	.....	.....	7 77	28 00	40 00	72 50	3 27
40 OLIVER .....	84	46	1	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	202 72	47 00	92 00	260 72	81 00
41 LAFAYETTE .....	87	26	6	5	5	1	2	1	.....	.....	.....	82	42 00	52 00	94 82	.....
42 MANY .....	88	29	1	3	3	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	249 72	36 00	58 00	125 00	218 72
43 CYPRESS .....	89	50	10	7	6	.....	5	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	73 00	100 00	173 00	.....
44 THIBODAUX BENEVOLENT .....	90	42	2	2	2	.....	4	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	48 00	84 00	103 00	29 00
45 LIVONIA * .....	91	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 72	.....	.....	11 72	.....
46 MONTICELLO .....	92	43	5	5	5	4	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	58 60	86 00	144 00	.....
47 BELLEVUE .....	95	31	.....	1	1	2	9	1	1	.....	.....	82	33 00	62 00	95 82	.....
48 ST. HELENA .....	96	56	13	8	7	1	4	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	84 00	112 00	196 00	.....
49 PATMOS † .....	97	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
50 HERMITAGE .....	98	40	14	8	6	2	3	.....	5	1	.....	12 00	68 00	80 00	160 00	.....
51 HENDERSON .....	99	19	2	2	1	.....	2	1	.....	.....	.....	3 72	24 00	38 00	65 72	.....
52 TAYLOR .....	100	67	.....	.....	1	14	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	267 41	67 00	134 00	119 00	349 41
53 FRANKLINTON .....	101	54	11	8	6	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	82	79 00	108 00	184 00	3 82
54 LOUISIANA .....	102	33	4	4	3	2	2	.....	.....	.....	52 00	.....	44 00	66 00	58 00	.....
55 CLOUTIERVILLE .....	103	11	4	3	3	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	17 72	21 00	22 00	60 00	72
56 MOUNT LEBANON .....	104	25	4	4	3	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	81 00	36 00	50 00	127 00	40 00
57 TRINITY * .....	105	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 04	.....	.....	20 04	.....
58 VIENNA .....	106	43	8	5	4	1	2	1	.....	.....	.....	341 44	60 00	86 00	425 00	62 44
59 SPARTA .....	108	29	1	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	4	2	.....	23	30 00	58 00	88 00	23
60 CASTOR .....	109	33	4	2	2	1	3	.....	.....	3	.....	82	41 00	66 00	107 82	.....
61 HARRISONBURG .....	110	40	1	2	2	4	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	10 34	45 00	80 00	135 34	.....

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62	URIM .....	111	43	7	7	6	3	2	1	...	...	...	...	9 09	63 00	86 00	155 09	3 00	.....
63	BARTHOLOMEW .....	112	46	3	3	2	4	6	2	...	...	...	...	.....	54 00	92 00	146 00	.....	.....
64	THOMAS JEFFERSON .....	113	38	3	5	6	...	9	...	...	...	...	.....	82	52 00	76 00	.....	128 82	.....
65	FRIENDSHIP .....	114	32	...	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	.....	57 72	33 00	64 00	50 00	104 72	.....
66	SHREVEPORT .....	115	27	3	2	1	4	3	2	...	...	...	.....	82	33 00	54 00	87 00	82	.....
67	ACACIA .....	116	28	3	2	4	...	1	...	4	...	1	.....	.....	37 00	56 00	95 00	.....	2 00
68	MILFORD .....	117	30	7	5	5	...	2	...	...	...	...	.....	42 77	47 00	60 00	86 00	63 77	.....
69	TERRYVILLE † .....	118	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	65 62	.....	.....	.....	65 62	.....
70	CONSTANTINE .....	119	44	7	4	4	6	3	...	...	1	...	.....	.....	62 00	88 00	150 00	.....	.....
71	DEERFIELD .....	120	24	1	4	4	1	2	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	33 00	48 00	81 00	.....	.....
72	LISBON .....	121	34	2	2	4	2	7	...	...	...	...	.....	130 00	42 00	68 00	150 00	90 00	.....
73	MACKEY .....	122	32	3	4	3	...	1	1	...	...	...	.....	72	42 00	64 00	106 00	72	.....
74	LIBERTY .....	123	27	4	4	3	...	4	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	38 00	54 00	92 00	.....	.....
75	KELLERTOWN .....	124	50	10	8	7	1	6	1	...	...	...	.....	82	75 00	100 00	175 82	.....	.....
76	PEARL RIVER .....	125	38	12	9	9	3	1	1	1	...	...	.....	.....	68 00	76 00	144 00	.....	.....
77	ARCADIA .....	126	31	6	5	5	3	...	1	...	...	...	.....	32 26	47 00	62 00	144 50	.....	3 24
78	SPRINGHILL .....	127	48	6	3	3	1	8	...	1	...	1	.....	82	60 00	96 00	156 82	.....	.....
79	D'ARBONNE .....	128	18	6	5	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	.....	20 29	31 00	36 00	52 00	35 29	.....
80	DAWSON † .....	129	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
81	SOLOMON .....	130	24	3	2	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	.....	54	31 00	48 00	79 00	54	.....
82	SHILOH .....	131	48	2	2	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	55 00	96 00	140 00	11 00	.....
83	WARREN .....	132	20	13	8	5	3	...	1	...	...	...	.....	82	46 00	40 00	88 00	.....	1 18
84	GORDY .....	133	28	1	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1 46	.....	32 00	56 00	90 00	.....	3 46
85	HARRY HILL .....	134	26	7	4	3	...	...	1	...	...	...	.....	.....	40 00	52 00	107 00	.....	15 00
86	PLAINS .....	135	27	2	2	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	.....	82	32 00	54 00	86 82	.....	.....
87	ATHENS .....	136	22	4	4	4	1	2	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	34 00	44 00	.....	78 00	.....
88	MURRAY * .....	137	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	9 22	.....	.....	.....	9 22	.....

89 JEFFERSONIAN .....	138	17	...	...	...	3	4	1	...	...	...	17 00	34 00	51 00	...	...
90 HOUMA .....	139	25	5	4	4	...	3	...	...	...	...	38 00	50 00	88 00	...	...
91 COOL SPRING† .....	140	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	82	...	...	...	82	...
92 HUNTINGTON .....	141	27	2	3	3	1	2	...	...	...	...	35 00	54 00	89 00	...	...
93 HOME .....	142	32	9	9	5	2	1	...	...	...	...	55 00	64 00	116 00	3 00	...
94 DOWNSVILLE .....	143	20	6	6	8	1	3	...	...	...	82	40 00	40 00	80 82	...	...
95 OCEAN .....	144	54	15	13	12	6	6	...	1	...	75 00	94 00	108 00	127 00	...	...
96 HOPE .....	145	20	6	7	8	1	...	1	...	1	...	41 00	40 00	81 00	...	...
97 SILENT BROTHERHOOD .....	146	16	...	2	1	...	3	...	...	...	82	19 00	32 00	51 00	82	...
98 ANACOCO .....	147	22	4	2	2	...	10	...	...	...	82	30 00	44 00	44 00	30 82	...
99 RED LAND .....	148	17	3	3	3	1	3	...	...	...	2 32	27 00	36 00	65 32	...	...
100 DARLINGTON .....	149	17	8	7	8	2	1	...	...	...	82	34 00	40 00	74 82	...	...
101 PERKINS .....	150	13	4	4	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	24 00	26 00	50 00	...	...
102 EASTERN STAR .....	151	18	8	6	5	1	...	...	...	...	...	37 00	36 00	73 00	...	...
103 HOMER .....	152	10	4	5	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	21 00	20 00	41 00	...	...
104 SAINTS JOHN .....	153	14	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	15 00	28 00	43 00	...	...
105 FILLMORE .....	154	26	10	10	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	56 00	52 00	108 00	...	...
106 CHERRY RIDGE .....	155	13	8	6	6	...	...	...	...	...	82	33 00	26 00	59 82	...	...
107 KISSATCHIE .....	156	12	5	4	4	1	...	1	...	...	...	25 00	24 00	49 00	...	...
108 GROSSE TETE .....	UD	8	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10 00	16 00	27 00	1 00	...
109 RAPIDES .....	UD	11	5	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	16 00	22 00	38 00	...	...
110 MORGANZA† .....	UD	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
111 SWAN LAKE† .....	UD	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
112 ADAISE‡ .....	UD	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
113 LAFOURCHE‡ .....	UD	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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		3979	641	511	466	195	312	66	84	420	499	40	3232	17	5595	00
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															78	208
																54

\*Charter Surrendered, no Returns made. †Special Dispensation forfeited, no Returns made. ‡ No Returns made. § Dispensation Cancelled and no Returns made.

SAML. G. RISK, *Grand Secretary, in Account Current with the*

## M. W. GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

DR.

1857.

Feb. 6.—	Received from Gordy Lodge, No. 133, on account.....	\$ 1 00
Do do	Patmos Lodge, No. 97, on account.....	145 00
Do do	Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 59, in full.....	585 00
Do do	Mount Vernon Lodge, No. 83, on account....	65 00
Do do	Lafayette Lodge, No. 87, in full.....	81 57
Do do	Hiram Lodge, No. 70, on account.....	187 00
Do do	D'Arbonne Lodge, No. 128, on account.....	68 00
Do do	Concorde Lodge, No. 3, on account.....	50 00
Do do	St. James Lodge, No. 47, on account.....	226 00
Do do	Lafayette Lodge, No. 56, in full.....	180 00
Do do	St. Joseph Lodge, No. 79, on account.....	132 81
9.—Do do	Franklin Lodge, No. 57, on account.....	56 00
Do do	Bellevue Lodge, No. 95, in full.....	87 77
Do do	St. Helena Lodge, No. 96, in full.....	192 72
Do do	Huntington Lodge, No. 141, in full.....	101 72
Do do	Warren Lodge, No. 132, on account.....	76 87
10.—Do do	Springhill Lodge, No. 127, in full.....	162 44
Do do	Plains Lodge, No. 135, on account.....	93 62
Do do	Harry Hill Lodge, No. 134, in full.....	2 72
11.—Do do	Franklinton Lodge, No. 101, on account....	157 44
Do do	Hope Lodge, No. 145, in full.....	44 50
Do do	Silent Brotherhood Lodge, No. 146, in full....	53 14
12.—Do do	Pearl River Lodge, No. 125, in full.....	109 49
Do do	Castor Lodge, No. 109, in full.....	37 41
Do do	Red Land Lodge, No. 148, on account.....	51 00
13.—Do do	Darlington Lodge, U. D., in full.....	28 00
Do do	Cloutierville Lodge, No. 103, on account....	55 00
14.—Do do	Joppa Lodge, No. 74, on account.....	101 72
Do do	Anacoco Lodge, No. 147, on account.....	18 50
16.—Do do	Hermitage Lodge, No. 98, on account.....	144 00
19.—Do do	Terryville Lodge, No. 118, on account.....	39 00
26.—Do do	Ruffier, on account of rent.....	200 00
28.—Do do	Three Diplomas, issued this day.....	6 00
Mar. 2.—Do do	Quitman Lodge, No. 76, for rent.....	12 50
3.—Do do	H. M'Closkey, rent for March.....	125 00
Do do	Perkins & Co., three months' rent to May 1st	500 00
10.—Do do	Friends of Harmony Lodge, No. 58, rent for February.....	12 50

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Mar. 10.—	Received from W. P. Coleman, two months' rent.....	60 00
25.—Do	do Seven Diplomas, issued this month.....	14 00
Do	do Fillmore Lodge, for Dispensation.....	44 00
28.—Do	do Quitman Lodge, No. 76, for rent of March and extra meeting.....	15 50
April 1.—Do	do Minden Lodge, No. 51, in full.....	38 36
2.—Do	do Eleven Diplomas issued.....	22 00
3.—Do	do H. McCloskey, for rent for April.....	125 00
Do	do Quitman Lodge, No. 76, rent and two extra meetings.....	18 50
18.—Do	do Coughatta Lodge, No. 60, on account.....	18 00
May 2.—Do	do Orleans Lodge, No. 78, three months' rent...	37 50
Do	do H. McCloskey, rent for May.....	125 00
4.—Do	do Merryfield, for rent.....	12 50
Do	do Friends of Harmony Lodge, No. 58, rent and extra meeting.....	17 50
Do	do Artillery Battalion, rent of ball room.....	100 00
7.—Do	do Homer Lodge, for Dispensation.....	40 00
Do	do Napoleon Lodge, No. 94, on account.....	2 50
18.—Do	do Grosse Tete Lodge, for Blank Register....	4 00
29.—Do	do Constantine Lodge, No. 119, on account.....	70 00
30.—Do	do Eleven Diplomas, issued this month.....	22 00
June 3.—Do	do H. McCloskey, rent for June.....	125 00
Do	do Delta Chapter, in full.....	14 50
4.—Do	do Shreveport Lodge, No. 115, balance in full....	31 50
11.—Do	do Louisiana Council, rent in full.....	37 50
Do	do Perkins & Co., rent to July 31st.....	500 00
Do	do Orleans Lodge, No. 78, for extra meeting....	5 00
11.—Do	do Friends of Harmony Lodge, No. 58, for rent	12 50
19.—Do	do Cherry Ridge Lodge, for Dispensation.....	40 00
23.—Do	do Merryfield, for rent in full.....	22 50
30.—Do	do Four Diplomas, issued this month.....	8 00
July 3.—Do	do H. McCloskey, rent for July.....	125 00
17.—Do	do Friends of Harmony, rent for June.....	12 50
Aug. 2.—Do	do H. McCloskey, rent for August.....	125 00
17.—Do	do Friends of Harmony Lodge No. 58, rent for July	12 50
Do	do Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, on account.....	100 00
Sep. 2.—Do	do H. McCloskey, rent for September.....	125 00
3.—Do	do Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, balance in full.....	90 00
Do	do One Diploma, issued this day.....	2 00
5.—Do	do Perkins Lodge, for Dispensation.....	45 00
Do	do Homer Lodge, for Dispensation.....	40 36
8.—Do	do W. P. Coleman, rent to September 1st.....	90 00

Sep. 12.—	Received from Constantine Lodge, No. 119, balance in full	65 00
Do do	Quitman Lodge, No. 76, rent and extra meeting	18 50
Do do	Friends of Harmony, rent and extra meeting	17 50
17.—Do do	Marion Lodge, No. 68, rent to September 1st	37 50
Do do	Morganza Lodge, for Dispensation	44 00
19.—Do do	Dudley Lodge, No. 66, rent to 1st inst.	40 50
Do do	Orleans Lodge, No. 78, rent to June 30th	37 50
Do do	George Washington Lodge, No. 65, rent to September 1st	37 50
21.—Do do	Orleans Chapter, rent to September 1st	56 00
23.—Do do	Cool Spring Lodge, No. 149, in full	137 42
26.—Do do	Sparta Lodge, on account	114 00
Do do	Iberville Lodge, No. 81, on account	50 00
Oct. 3.—Do do	H. McCloskey, rent for October	125 00
Do do	Orleans Lodge, No. 78, rent to September 30th	37 50
10.—Do do	Delta Chapter, rent to September 30th	37 50
20.—Do do	Friends of Harmony, rent for September	12 50
21.—Do do	Grand Consistory, in full for rent	18 00
Nov. 3.—Do do	H. McCloskey, rent for November	125 00
19.—Do do	DeSoto Lodge, No. 55, on account	165 00
Dec. 2.—Do do	H. McCloskey, rent for December	125 00
Do do	Saints John Lodge, for Dispensation	40 00
8.—Do do	Arcadia Lodge, No. 126, on account	31 50
12.—Do do	One Diploma, issued this day	2 00
29.—Do do	Houma Lodge, No. 139, on account	88 00
30.—Do do	George Washington Lodge, No. 65, in full	368 00
31.—Do do	Friends of Harmony Lodge, No. 58, rent	12 50
Do do	Orleans Lodge, No. 78, three months' rent	37 50
Do do	Fire Co., No. 10, for rent of ball room	125 00
Do do	Ladies' Fair, for ball room, without gas, for one week	200 00
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Jan. 2.—Do do	Orleans Lodge, No. 78, in full	261 00
5.—Do do	Vienna Lodge, No. 103, on account	425 00
Do do	Humble Cottage Lodge, No. 19, on account	116 00
Do do	Ocean Lodge, No. 144, in full	127 00
8.—Do do	Franklinton Lodge, No. 101, on account	184 00
14.—Do do	Friends of Harmony Lodge, No. 58, rent	12 50
15.—Do do	Plains Lodge, No. 135, in full	86 82
Do do	Marion Lodge, No. 68, rent	25 00
Do do	DeSoto Lodge, No. 55, on account	117 47
Do do	Olive Lodge, No. 52, on account	163 44



## GRAND SECRETARY'S ACCOUNT CURRENT.

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Jan. 16.—Received from Quitman Lodge, No. 76, rent.....	\$ 12 50
18.—Do do Friends of Harmony Lodge, No. 58, in full....	350 00
Do do Concorde Lodge, No. 3, in full.....	103 00
19.—Do do Bartholomew Lodge, No. 112, on account....	146 00
Do do Minden Lodge, No. 51, in full.....	233 00
20.—Do do Bellevue Lodge, No. 95, in full.....	95 82
21.—Do do Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 77, in full.....	66 00
22.—Do do Gordy Lodge, No. 133, in full.....	90 00
Do do Silent Brotherhood Lodge, No. 146, in full....	51 00
25.—Do do Phoenix Lodge, No. 38, in full.....	144 00
Do do Henderson Lodge, No. 99, on account.....	59 00
26.—Do do Kellertown Lodge, No. 124, in full.....	175 82
27.—Do do Deerfield Lodge, No. 120, on account.....	81 00
28.—Do do Jeffersonian Lodge, No. 138, in full.....	51 00
Do do Jackson Lodge, No. 45, in full.....	90 00
Do do Mount Lebanon Lodge, No. 104, in full.....	86 00
Do do Perseverance Lodge, No. 4, in full.....	299 00
29.—Do do Arcadia Lodge, No. 126, in full.....	112 60
30.—Do do Mackey Lodge, No. 122, in full.....	106 00
Do do Los Amigos del Orden Lodge, No. 5, in full...	219 00
To amount of balance at date.....	68 50

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 \$12,902 95

NEW ORLEANS, January 20, 1858.

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SAML. G. RISK, *Grand Secretary, in Account Current with the*

M. W. GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

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1857.

Feb. 19.	—Paid to S. C. Michell, W. Grand Treasurer.....	\$1,166 60
27.	“ “ “ “ .....	630 00
Mar. 3.	“ “ “ “ .....	1,210 00
6.	“ “ “ “ .....	135 00
April 1.	“ “ “ “ .....	249 10
3.	“ “ “ “ .....	298 32
9.	“ Expense account for Postage stamps.....	31 00
May 2.	“ “ “ “ .....	20 00
2.	“ S. C. Michell, W. Grand Treasurer.....	100 00
9.	“ “ “ “ .....	135 00
June 4.	“ “ “ “ .....	300 50
11.	“ “ “ “ .....	650 50
Sept. 8.	“ “ “ “ .....	400 00
16.	“ “ “ “ .....	315 00
26.	“ “ “ “ .....	176 00
Oct. 12.	“ “ “ “ .....	130 00

1858.

Jan. 13.	“ “ “ “ .....	1,109 78
16.	“ “ “ “ .....	1,305 73
25.	“ “ “ “ .....	1,359 82
29.	“ “ “ “ .....	985 82
30.	“ “ “ “ .....	437 00
30.	“ “ “ “ .....	1,757 78

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\$12,902 95

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Jan. 30.	By amount of balance rendered.....	\$ 68 50
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NEW ORLEANS, January 20, 1858.

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# REGISTER OF LODGES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

NAMES OF LODGES.	NO.	WHERE LOCATED.	DATE OF CHAR.	NAME OF MASTERS.	NAME OF SEC'YS.
1 Perfect Union.....	1	N. Orleans, Rampart, between Main and St. Philip streets.	July 12, 1812	D. Augustin.....	Charles Laffon.....
2 Polar Star.....	1	Do do do do do do do do	July 12, 1812	A. R. Morel.....	M. Meilleur.....
3 Concorde.....	3	Do Ursuline between St. Claude and Tremé streets.	July 12, 1812	C. F. Heunish.....	P. H. Huard.....
5 Los Amigos Del Orden.	5	Do Rampart between Main and St. Philip streets.	Sept. 24, 1842	Basillio Carrillo.....	Leon G. de Villegas
6 Humble Cottage.....	19	Opelousas, Parish of St. Landry, Louisiana.....	July 12, 1820	P. L. Hebrard.....	E. Pilate.....
7 St. Albans.....	28	Jackson, East Feliciana, Louisiana.....	July 12, 1827	G. W. Catlett.....	E. C. Kiblinger.....
8 Feliciana.....	31	St. Francisville, West Feliciana.....	March 9, 1828	L. D. Brewer.....	James A. Scott.....
9 Phoenix.....	38	Natchitoches, Louisiana.....	October 6, 1836	J. B. Smith.....	Wm. Payne.....
10 Foyer Maçonnique.....	44	New Orleans, Perfect Union Hall, Rampart street.....	October 7, 1838	Jos. Santini.....	M. Scooler.....
11 Jackson.....	45	Greenwood, Parish of Caddo, Louisiana.....	Jan. 28, 1843	A. Flournoy.....	J. A. McRady.....
12 Germania.....	46	New Orleans, St. Louis street near Claiborne street.....	April 18, 1844	John Gerlach.....	John Kattmann.....
13 St. James.....	47	Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	June 28, 1844	A. S. Herron.....	
14 Providence.....	50	Lake Providence, Louisiana.....	April 19, 1845	G. G. Willson.....	Isaac N. Kent.....
15 Minden.....	51	Minden, Parish of Claiborne, Louisiana.....	April 19, 1845	Wm. Lee.....	A. Landsberg.....
16 Olive.....	52	Clinton, Parish of Feliciana, Louisiana.....	Nov. 27, 1845	G. W. Munday.....	J. G. D'Armond.....
17 Union Fraternal.....	53	Farmersville, Parish of Union, Louisiana.....	Sept. 21, 1845	H. Regenbourg.....	David Arent.....
18 Mount Gerizim.....	54	Bastrop, Parish of Morehouse, Louisiana.....	Nov. 28, 1846	G. W. Jelks.....	W. L. McMurtry.....
19 De Soto.....	55	Mansfield, Parish of De Soto, Louisiana.....	March 27, 1847	J. H. Sutherland.....	N. A. Sutherland.....
20 Lafayette.....	56	Vernon, Parish of Jackson, Louisiana.....	Nov. 27, 1847	Jesse M. Morris.....	J. R. Ryan.....
21 Franklin.....	57	Franklin, Parish of St. Mary, Louisiana.....	Jan. 25, 1848	C. M. Smith.....	John C. Gordy.....
22 Friends of Harmony..	58	N. Orleans, G. L. Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts.	April 22, 1848	Samuel Harby.....	A. De Sola.....
23 Mount Moriah.....	59	Do O. F. Hall, corner Camp and Lafayette streets.	March 24, 1849	J. T. Watts.....	James Furneaux.....
24 Western Star.....	61	Monroe, Louisiana.....	May 1, 1849	S. L. Slack.....	Hy. Gerson, jr.....
25 Tunica.....	63	Tunica Landing, Louisiana.....	Jan. 28, 1850	W. T. Cox.....	Asa Brown.....
26 George Washington...	65	N. Orleans, G. L. Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts.	March 4, 1850	J. B. Scot.....	Samuel G. Risk.....
27 Dudley.....	66	Do do do do do do do do	March 4, 1850	H. M. Crenshaw.....	C. S. Sharp.....
28 Marion.....	68	Do do do do do do do do	March 4, 1850	J. Q. A. Fellows.....	S. S. Beers, Jr.....
29 Hiram.....	70	Do do do do do do do do	March 4, 1850	S. P. Solomon.....	J. P. A. Maguire.....
30 Alpha.....	72	Do do do do do do do do	March 4, 1850	J. M. Bockius.....	Alfred Shaw.....
32 Sabine.....	75	Fort Jessup, Parish of Sabine, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	C. Beck.....	J. Dove.....
33 Quitman.....	76	N. Orleans, G. L. Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts.	March 4, 1850	Seth R. Field.....	H. J. Stansbury....
34 Mount Moriah.....	77	Port Hudson, Parish East Feliciana, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	R. W. Troth.....	Wm. Richardson....
35 Orleans.....	78	N. Orleans, G. L. Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts.	March 4, 1850	S. P. Auchmuty.....	Joseph Chellet.....
36 St. Joseph.....	79	St. Joseph, Parish of Tensas, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	S. P. Stampley.....	Julius Aroni.....

37 De Witt Clinton.....	80 Marion, Parish of Union, Louisiana.....	March	4, 1850 S. L. Robertson....	J. B. Wallace.....
38 Mount Vernon.....	83 Logansport, Louisiana.....	March	4, 1850 John W. Martin....	Thomas B. Baldwin
39 Oliver.....	84 Alexandria, Parish of Rapides, Louisiana.....	March	4, 1850 Philip Meyers.....	Henry Klotz.....
40 Lafayette.....	87 Pattersonville, Parish of St. Mary, Louisiana.....	March	4, 1850 J. M. McCoy.....	Bernard Levy.....
41 Many.....	88 Many, Parish of Sabine, Louisiana.....	March	4, 1850 John Caldwell.....	V. A. Montgomery.
42 Cypress.....	89 Collinsburg, Parish of Bossier, Louisiana.....	March	4, 1850 J. T. Turnley.....	G. W. Sentell.....
43 Thibodaux Benevolent.	90 Thibodaux Louisiana.....	Jan.	21, 1851 B. G. Thibodaux..	N. H. Smith.....
45 Monticello.....	92 Monticello, Parish of Carroll, Louisiana.....	Jan.	21, 1851 J. M. Gaddis.....	J. W. Draughon...
46 Napoleon.....	94 Springhill, Parish of Union, Louisiana.....	Jan.	21, 1851 Benjamin Ford.....	
47 Bellevue.....	95 Bellevue, Parish of Bossier, Louisiana.....	Jan.	21, 1851 A. A. Abney.....	Thomas M. Fort...
48 St. Helena.....	96 Greensburg, Parish of St. Helena, Louisiana.....	Jan.	21, 1851 W. A. Carter.....	Jno. T. Spencer...
49 Patmos*.....	97 Richmond, Parish of Madison, Louisiana.....	Jan.	17, 1854.....	
50 Hermitage.....	98 New Orleans, corner Magazine and Philip streets.....	Jan.	21, 1851 Daniel Wilson.....	Wm. Weser.....
51 Henderson.....	99 Coteau, Parish of Rapides, Louisiana.....	Jan.	21, 1851 N. Davidson.....	M. Rosenthal.....
52 Taylor.....	100 Homer, Parish of Claiborne, Louisiana.....	Jan.	21, 1851 John C. Blackman..	W. H. Elliott.....
53 Franklinton.....	101 Franklinton, Parish of Washington, Louisiana.....	Jan.	21, 1851 John Wadsworth...	Robert Babington..
54 Louisiana.....	102 N. Orleans, G. L. Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts.	Jan.	23, 1851 W. C. Driver.....	Wm. H. Slack.....
55 Cloutierville.....	103 Cloutierville, Parish of Natchitoches, Louisiana.....	Jan.	21, 1852 S. O. Scruggs.....	L. Caspari.....
56 Mount Lebanon.....	104 Mount Lebanon, Parish of Bienville, Louisiana.....	Jan.	21, 1852 A. C. Hill.....	W. B. Prothro.....
57 Trinity*.....	105 Trinity, Parish of Catahoula, Louisiana.....	Jan.	21, 1852.....	
58 Vienna.....	106 Vienna, Parish of Jackson, Louisiana.....	Jan.	21, 1852 M. P. Quinn.....	Wm. P. Otts.....
59 Sparta.....	108 Sparta, Parish of Bienville, Louisiana.....	Jan.	21, 1852 W. E. Paxton.....	H. N. Dubose.....
60 Castor.....	109 Castor, Parish of Caldwell, Louisiana.....	Jan.	21, 1852 W. L. De Graffenried	A. L. Hundley.....
61 Harrisonburg.....	110 Harrisonburg, Catahoula, Louisiana.....	Jan.	21, 1852 Wm. M. Tew.....	Jacob A. Cohen...
62 Urim.....	111 Forkville, Parish of Ouachita, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	2, 1853 Thos. L. Simpson...	Caldwell Bishop...
63 Bartholomew.....	112 Plantersville, Parish of Morehouse, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	25, 1853 A. S. Washburn...	Jno. M. Hilliard...
64 Thomas Jefferson.....	113 Spear's Store, Parish of Union, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	25, 1853 W. L. Spears.....	S. H. Griffin.....
65 Friendship.....	114 Woodville, Parish of Jackson, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	25, 1853 M. C. Redwine.....	B. F. Smith.....
66 Shreveport.....	115 Shreveport, Parish of Caddo, Louisiana.....	Jan.	27, 1852 George Williamson.	Vincent Ritchie...
67 Acacia.....	116 Bayou Goula, Parish of Iberville, Louisiana.....	August	23, 1855 H. S. Browne.....	Antoine Blanchard.
68 Milford.....	117 Manchac Settlement, East Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	August	23, 1852 Edward Coleman...	G. W. Keller.....
69 Terryville*.....	118 Quay, P. O., Parish of Claiborne, Louisiana.....	Jan.	17, 1854.....	
70 Constantine.....	119 Waterproof, Parish of Tensas, Louisiana.....	Jan.	17, 1854 W. H. Drake.....	Samuel Fischell...
71 Deerfield.....	120 Deerfield, Parish of Carroll, Louisiana.....	Jan.	17, 1854 J. E. Stovall.....	G. W. Trezevant...
72 Lisbon.....	121 Lisbon, Louisiana.....	Jan.	17, 1854 E. Sparks.....	B. R. Coleman.....
73 Mackey.....	122 Ringgold, Parish of Bienville, Louisiana.....	Jan.	20, 1854 J. D. Cawthon.....	A. J. Kolb.....
74 Liberty.....	123 Keachi, Parish of De Soto, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	23, 1853 M. J. Birdsong.....	J. W. Hudnal.....

75 Kellertown .....	124 Kellertown, East Feliciana, Louisiana.....	Dec.	25, 1852	A. J. Norwood.....	Samuel W. Reilly...
76 Pearl River.....	125 Line Academy, Washington Par <sup>h</sup> , La., Fordsville P.O., Miss.	Jan.	18, 1854	Wm. C. Warren.....	Wm. J. Rankin.....
77 Arcadia.....	126 Arcadia, Louisiana.....	Jan.	19, 1854	R. M. Searcy.....	R. J. Wheaton.....
78 Springhill.....	127 Springhill Church, Union Cross Roads, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	1, 1854	James Moore.....	J. W. Hopkins.....
79 D'Arbonne.....	128 D'Arbonne Academy, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	14, 1855	R. H. Henry.....	F. McCormick.....
80 Dawson*.....	129 Scottville, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	14, 1855		
81 Solomon.....	130 Goodrich Landing, Pecan Grove, P. O., Carroll Parish, La.	Feb'y	17, 1855	J. A. Richardson.....	Silas Goodrich.....
82 Shiloh.....	131 Shiloh, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	14, 1855	John Edmunds.....	J. C. B. White.....
83 Warren.....	132 Wainsboro', Franklin Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	14, 1855	Joseph Pettit.....	J. W. Hooter.....
84 Gordy.....	133 Cheneyville, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	14, 1855	J. W. Pearce.....	Wm. H. Scott.....
85 Harry Hill.....	134 Bastrop, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	14, 1855	Wm. McFee.....	J. A. Whetstone.....
86 Plains.....	135 Plains, East Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	12, 1856	Wm. Young.....	H. C. Young.....
87 Athens.....	136 Athens, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	15, 1856	W. T. Hardee.....	Jno. R. Ramsey.....
89 Jeffersonian.....	138 Jefferson Steam Mills, Kingston P. O., De Soto Parish, La.	Feb'y	12, 1856	Thomas Primm.....	W. C. Scott.....
90 Houma.....	139 Houma, Parish of Terrebonne, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	12, 1856	Joseph Aycock.....	H. Newell.....
91 Cool Spring*.....	140 Cool Spring Academy, Homer P. O., Claiborne Parish, La.	Feb'y	12, 1856		
92 Huntington.....	141 Minden, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	12, 1856	D. B. Doyle.....	James Ford.....
93 Hume.....	142 New Orleans, corner Magazine and Philip streets.....	Feb'y	12, 1856	J. C. Baethlor.....	Wm. Beattie.....
94 Downs ville.....	143 Downs ville, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	12, 1856	B. F. Farmer.....	J. E. Woodward.....
95 Ocean.....	144 New Orleans, Marigny Buildings, Third District.....	Feb'y	10, 1857	A. Goldman.....	J. A. Letten.....
96 Hope.....	145 Vermillionville, Lafayette Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	10, 1857	M. E. Girard.....	Abijah Bailey.....
97 Silent Brotherhood.....	146 Oeushatta Chute, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	10, 1857	Samuel Clark.....	L. D. Cowdin.....
98 Anacoco.....	147 Anacoco, P. O., Sabine Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	10, 1857	R. W. Martin.....	A. C. Smart.....
99 Red Land.....	148 Pine Flat, P. O., Bossier Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	10, 1857	J. B. Campbell.....	J. G. Allen.....
100 Darlington.....	149 Darlington, St. Helena Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	10, 1858	Samuel Davis.....	Z. G. Norwood.....
101 Perkins.....	150 Donaldsonville, Ascension Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	10, 1858	L. B. Nicholls.....	Samuel Seeleman.....
102 Eastern Star.....	151 Winnfield, Winn Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	10, 1858	Wm. Walker.....	Benjamin Ussery.....
103 Homer.....	152 Homer, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	10, 1858	D. Henry Dyer.....	J. F. Leak.....
104 Saints John.....	153 Agiers, Parish of Orleans, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	10, 1858	A. B. Seger.....	Theophilus Thayer.....
105 Fillmore.....	154 Fillmore, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	12, 1858	A. J. McBade.....	John A. Walker.....
106 Cherry Ridge.....	155 Cherry Ridge, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	12, 1858	James A. Martin.....	Wm. C. Carr.....
107 Kissatchie.....	156 Kissatchie, Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	12, 1858	Wm. P. Owings.....	James K. Phares.....
108 Grosse Tete.....	U. D. Bayou Grosse Tete, Louisiana.....	May	27, 1857	Matt. Marr.....	James H. Johnston.....
109 Rapides.....	U. D. Rapides, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.....	July	25, 1857	G. B. Burr.....	Lewis Cooper.....
110 Swan Lake.....	U. D. Swan Lake, Carroll Parish, Louisiana.....	May	14, 1856	W. L. Knox.....	
111 Morganza.....	U. D. Morganza, Point Coupée, Louisiana.....	Sept.	17, 1857	John W. Newsom.....	J. F. Strother.....
112 Livingston.....	U. D. Springfield, Livingston Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb'y	12, 1858	J. M. Mahoney.....	

\* No Returns made for 1857.

# ABSTRACT OF PROCEEDINGS OF GRAND LODGES OF THE UNITED STATES.

GRAND LODGES.	GRAND MASTERS.		GRAND SECRETARIES.		DATE OF LAST	
	NAMES.	RESIDENCES.	NAMES.	RESIDENCES.	PROCEEDINGS REC'D.	
ALABAMA.....	J. McCaleb Wiley.....	Troy.....	Daniel Sayre.....	Montgomery.....	December 1,	1857
ARKANSAS.....	D. F. Armstrong.....	Galley Rock.....	T. D. Merrick.....	Little Rock.....	November 15,	1856
CALIFORNIA.....	N. Greene Curtis.....	Sacramento.....	Alex. G. Abell.....	San Francisco.....	May 12,	1857
CONNECTICUT.....	Wm. L. Brewer.....	Norwich.....	E. G. Storer.....	New Haven.....	May 3,	1857
DELAWARE.....	Alfred P. Robinson.....	Georgetown.....	W. S. Hayes.....	Wilmington.....	June 27,	1856
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.....	George C. Whiting.....	Washington.....	G. A. Schwarzman.....	Washington.....	December 27,	1856
FLORIDA.....	T. Y. Henry.....	Quincy.....	John B. Taylor.....	Tallahassee.....	January 12,	1857
GEORGIA.....	Wm. S. Rockwell.....	Savannah.....	Sam'l Rose.....	Macon.....	October 27,	1857
ILLINOIS.....	Harrison Dills.....	Quincy.....	H. G. Reynolds.....	Knoxville.....	October 6,	1857
INDIANA.....	Solomon D. Bayless.....	Fort Wayne.....	Francis King.....	Indianapolis.....	May 25,	1857
IOWA.....	J. F. Sanford.....	Keokuk.....	T. S. Parvin.....	Muscatine.....	June 2,	1857
KANSAS.....	R. R. Rees.....	Leavenworth City.....	Charles Mundee.....	Fort Leavenworth.....	October 20,	1857
KENTUCKY.....	Philip Swigert.....	Frankfort.....	J. M. S. McCorkle.....	Greensburg.....	October 12,	1857
LOUISIANA.....	Amos Adams.....	Baton Rouge.....	Sam'l G. Risk.....	New Orleans.....	February 8,	1858
MAINE.....	Robert P. Dunlap.....	Brunswick.....	Ira Berry.....	Portland.....	May 5,	1857
MARYLAND.....	Charles Webb.....	Baltimore.....	Joseph Robinson.....	Baltimore.....	November 16,	1857
MASSACHUSETTS.....	John T. Heard.....	Boston.....	Charles W. Moore.....	Boston.....	December 30,	1856
MICHIGAN.....	Wm. Fenton.....	Detroit.....	James Fenton.....	Detroit.....	January 14,	1857
MINNESOTA.....	A. T. C. Pierson.....	St. Paul.....	G. W. Prescott.....	St. Paul.....	January 6,	1858
MISSISSIPPI.....	Wm. Cothran.....	Carrollton.....	R. W. T. Daniel.....	Jackson.....	January 19,	1857
MISSOURI.....	Sam'l B. Saunders.....	Otterville.....	A. O'Sullivan.....	St. Louis.....	May 25,	1857
NEBRASKA.....	R. C. Jordan.....	Omaha.....	George Armstrong.....	Omaha City.....	September 23,	1857
NEW HAMPSHIRE.....	Geo. H. Hubbard.....	Manchester.....	Horace Chase.....	Hopkinton.....	June 9,	1857
NEW JERSEY.....	Joseph Trimble.....	Camden.....	Joseph H. Hough.....	Trenton.....	January 14,	1857
NEW YORK.....	J. L. Lewis, Jr.....	Pen Yan.....	James M. Austin.....	New York City.....	June 2,	1857
NORTH CAROLINA.....	P. A. Holt.....	Graham.....	Wm. T. Bain.....	Raleigh.....	December 1,	1856
OHIO.....	Horace M. Stokes.....	Lebanon.....	John D. Caldwell.....	Cincinnati.....	October 25,	1857
OREGON.....	Benjamin Stark.....	Portland.....	Wm. S. Caldwell.....	Hillsboro'.....	June 8,	1857
PENNSYLVANIA.....	J. K. Mitchell, M. D.....	Philadelphia.....	Wm. H. Adams.....	Philadelphia.....	January 5,	1857
RHODE ISLAND.....	James Hutchison.....	Providence.....	Wm. C. Barker.....	Providence.....	June 24,	1857
SOUTH CAROLINA.....	Henry Buist.....	Charleston.....	Albert G. Mackey.....	Charleston.....	December 2,	1856
TENNESSEE.....	Thomas McCulloch.....	Clarksville.....	Charles A. Fuller.....	Nashville.....	October 6,	1856
TEXAS.....	Wm. Steadman.....	Henderson.....	A. S. Ruthven.....	Galveston.....	January 19,	1857
VERMONT.....	P. C. Tucker.....	Vergennes.....	J. B. Hollenbeck.....	Burlington.....	January 13,	1858
VIRGINIA.....	John S. Caldwell.....	Fredericksburg.....	John Dove.....	Richmond.....	December 8,	1856
WISCONSIN.....	Henry S. Baird.....	Green Bay.....	Wm. R. Smith.....	Mineral Point.....	June 9,	1857

# STATISTICS FROM PROCEEDINGS OF GRAND LODGES OF THE UNITED STATES, ETC.

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GRAND LODGES.	WHERE HELD.	WHEN ORGANIZED.	CONVENTION, WHERE HELD.	No. of Lodges represented in Convention	Lodges Enrolled.	Lodges making Returns.	No. of Members Returned	No. of Initiations.	Affiliations.	Deaths.	Number of Deaths.	Number of Suspensions.	Number of Expulsions.	G. LODGE DUES.	
ALABAMA.....	Montgomery.....	June 14, 1821	Cahawba.....	9	246	212	7223	.....	.....	.....	104	142	29	\$3,468 50	
ARKANSAS.....	Little Rock.....	Feb. 22, 1832	.....	.....	103	102	3048	458	137	.....	36	21	14	2,557 00	
CALIFORNIA.....	Sacramento.....	April 11, 1850	San Francisco...	3	111	91	4282	903	571	113	38	11	11	7,106 00	
CONNECTICUT.....	Hartford.....	July 8, 1789	.....	15	54	54	4463	455	39	87	45	2	7	455 00	
DELAWARE.....	Wilmington.....	June 6, 1806	Wilmington.....	.....	10	6	344	6	.....	8	8	1	2	60 00	
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.....	Washington.....	Dec. 11, 1800	.....	.....	15	11	513	96	26	12	11	27	.....	472 00	
FLORIDA.....	Tallahassee.....	July 5, 1830	Tallahassee.....	.....	31	27	1405	145	.....	.....	22	4	2	1,497 00	
GEORGIA.....	Macon.....	Dec. 16, 1786	.....	208	188	12,310	1247	323	627	119	89	40	.....	9,392 86	
ILLINOIS.....	Springfield.....	April 6, 1840	Jacksonville.....	5	243	232	8523	2011	440	519	94	44	34	5,406 00	
INDIANA.....	Indianapolis.....	Jan. 12, 1818	.....	.....	215	211	7903	1251	291	703	115	251	41	7,733 50	
IOWA.....	Iowa City.....	Jan. 8, 1844	Iowa City.....	4	111	80	3178	854	316	238	24	18	17	2,888 45	
KANSAS.....	Leavenworth.....	March 17, 1856	Leavenworth...	3	5	5	170	50	15	9	3	2	2	85 00	
KENTUCKY.....	Lexington.....	Oct. 16, 1890	Lexington.....	.....	341	.....	9979	1281	.....	.....	119	272	45	9,892 75	
LOUISIANA.....	New Orleans.....	July 11, 1812	New Orleans...	5	107	98	3979	641	195	312	66	34	4	13,561 00	
MAINE.....	Portland.....	June 1, 1820	Portland.....	24	86	80	3288	497	.....	.....	31	92	6	1,044 50	
MARYLAND.....	Baltimore.....	May, 1794	Baltimore.....	.....	33	36	1449	.....	.....	31	8	9	25	1,205 50	
MASSACHUSETTS*.....	Boston.....	April 30, 1733	Boston.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
MICHIGAN.....	Detroit.....	June 23, 1826	.....	.....	93	78	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	3	1,761 89	
MINNESOTA.....	St. Paul.....	Feb. 23, 1853	St. Paul.....	3	24	17	805	259	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	1,089 50	
MISSISSIPPI.....	Vicksburg.....	July 27, 1818	Natchez.....	3	197	191	7568	929	308	728	131	275	24	7,718 25	
MISSOURI.....	St. Louis.....	April 21, 1821	St. Louis.....	3	159	110	5810	761	249	335	50	30	15	4,655 25	
NEBRASKA.....	Omaha City.....	Sept. 23, 1857	Omaha City.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
NEW HAMPSHIRE.....	Concord.....	July 8, 1789	Portsmouth.....	.....	32	29	1570	319	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	960 50	
NEW JERSEY.....	Trenton.....	Dec. 18, 1786	New Brunswick.....	.....	49	43	1382	320	.....	125	20	19	5	919 25	
NEW YORK.....	New York City.....	Dec. 2, 1792	New York.....	.....	371	329	24,670	3878	397	939	263	11	48	12,063 26	
NORTH CAROLINA.....	Raleigh.....	Jan. 14, 1771	Newbern.....	.....	126	93	4819	597	.....	.....	70	8	13	1,660 75	
OHIO.....	Zanesville.....	Jan. 4, 1808	Chillicothe.....	6	250	247	10,913	2078	500	936	156	654	138	6,691 50	
OREGON.....	Salem.....	Aug. 16, 1851	Oregon City.....	3	17	15	490	87	48	46	2	11	4	652 30	
PENNSYLVANIA*.....	Philadelphia.....	June 20, 1764	Philadelphia.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
RHODE ISLAND.....	Providence.....	June 27, 1791	Newport.....	2	16	16	1048	90	.....	.....	17	.....	.....	360 00	
SOUTH CAROLINA*.....	Charleston.....	March 24, 1787	Charleston.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
TENNESSEE.....	Nashville.....	Oct. 14, 1794	.....	.....	192	174	7750	982	.....	.....	103	29	43	3,554 75	
TEXAS.....	Palestine.....	Dec. 20, 1837	Houston.....	3	204	169	6047	.....	.....	.....	93	61	19	3,731 30	
VERMONT.....	Burlington.....	Oct. 19, 1794	Rutland.....	.....	44	44	2061	.....	1	14	20	5	3	320 00	
VIRGINIA.....	Richmond.....	May 6, 1777	Williamsburg...	5	150	126	4614	.....	.....	.....	71	17	10	1,174 75	
WISCONSIN.....	Milwaukie.....	Dec. 18, 1843	Madison.....	3	89	85	2535	585	.....	158	23	.....	1	2,793 00	
*No Statistics.				Total.....	102	3932	3193	154,142	20,780	3856	6000	1864	2197	605	\$116,871 91

\*No Statistics.

# FOREIGN MASONIC BODIES

WITH WHICH THE

## GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

IS IN CORRESPONDENCE.

NAME.	GRAND SECRETARIES.	RESIDENCE.
United Grand Lodge of England.....	Wm. H. White.....	London .....
Grand Lodge of Canada.....	Thos. B. Harris.....	Hamilton, C. W.
Grand Orient of France.....	Hubert.....	Paris .....
Clemente Amité Lodge.....	Le B. Marcony.....	Paris .....
Grand Orient of Belgium.....	Rian Nedgrot.....	Bruxelles .....
Grand Orient of Brazil.....	Joaquin de Gouvea..	.....
Grand Orient Hesperic of Spain.....	Coriolan .....	.....
Grand Orient of Passos Manuel, Oporto.....	.....	.....
Grand Lodge of St. John, Scotland.....	W. A. Laurie.....	Edinburg.....
Grand Lodge of Ireland.....	John E. Hyndman...	Dublin .....
Prov. G. Lodge of North Munster, Ireland.....	Edward W. Maunsell...	Limerick .....
Prov. G. Lodge of Munster, Cork, Ireland.....	George Chatterton...	Cork .....
Prov. G. Lodge of Londonderry, Ireland.....	John Price.....	Donegal.....
Prov. G. Lodge of Belfast, Ireland.....	Geo. Carruthers.....	Belfast .....
Prov. G. Lodge of North Antrim, Ireland.....	John M'Leese.....	Antrim.....
Grand Lodge of Frankfort on the Maine.....	.....	.....
Grand Lodge of Hamburg.....	.....	.....
Grand Lodge of Hanover.....	.....	.....
Grand Lodge of Hesse Darmstadt.....	.....	.....
Grand National Lodge of Holland.....	.....	.....
Grand Lodge of Three Globes of Prussia.....	E. C. P. Evert.....	Berlin .....
Grand National Lodge of Germany.....	D. G. Bush.....	Berlin .....
Grand National Lodge of Sweden.....	.....	.....
Grand National Alpine Lodge of Switzerland.....	J. Hogenbuch.....	.....
Grand Helvetic Roman Dir'y of Switzerland.....	.....	.....
Grand Royal York Lodge of Prussia.....	M. C. Bier.....	Berlin .....
Luis Tamaire Lodge of Portugal.....	.....	Lisbon .....
Grand Lodge of Saxony.....	.....	.....
Grand Lodge of Denmark.....	.....	.....
Grand Lodge of the Sun of Bavaria.....	.....	.....
Prov. Grand Lodge of Bahia.....	.....	.....



# LIST OF PAST GRAND OFFICERS

OF THE

## GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA,

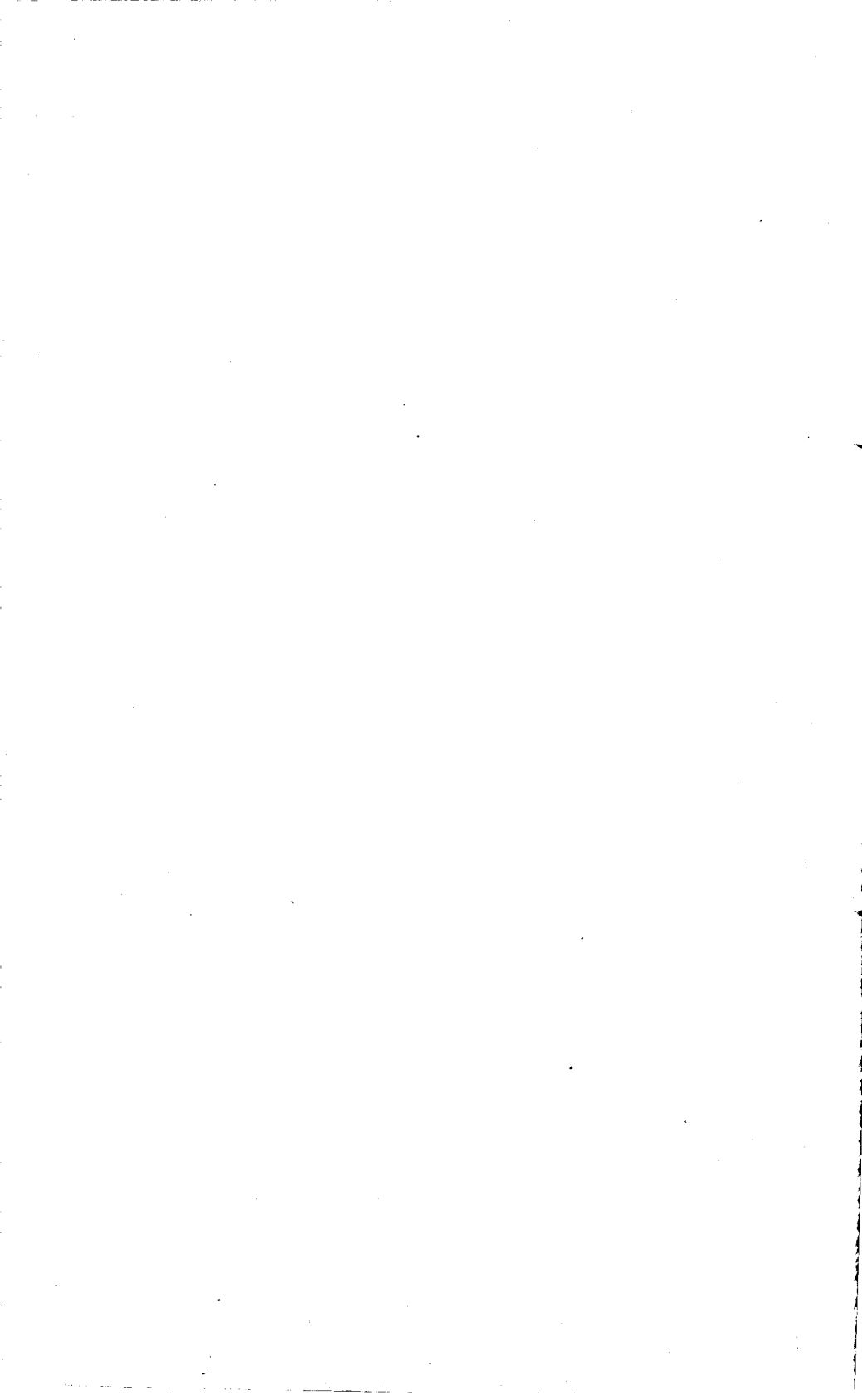
WHO BECAME PERMANENT MEMBERS THEREOF, BY VIRTUE OF THEIR OFFICE,

FROM ITS ORGANIZATION.

YEAR.	GRAND MASTERS.	DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.	SENIOR GRAND WARDENS.	JUNIOR GRAND WARDENS.
1812	L. F. Dubourg*	L. Moreau Lislet*	J. Blanque*	Francis Pernot*
1813	L. F. Dubourg	L. Moreau Lislet	J. Blanque	Francis Pernot
1814	L. F. Dubourg	L. Moreau Lislet	J. Soulie	Dom'que Roquette
1815	J. Soulie*	L. Moreau Lislet	Dom'que Roquette	Modeste Lefebvre
1816	J. Soulie	L. Moreau Lislet	Modeste Lefebvre*	Y. Lemonnier
1817	J. Soulie	L. Moreau Lislet	Modeste Lefebvre	Y. Lemonnier
1818	L. Moreau Lislet*	Modeste Lefebvre*	J. B. Desbois	Y. Lemonnier
1819	Modest Lefebvre*	L. B. Desbois	Y. Lemonnier*	Aug. Macarty
1820	Y. Lemonnier*	Aug. Macarty*	J. F. Canonge	G. Dubuys
1821	Aug. Macarty*	J. F. Canonge	G. Dubuys	A. Peychaud
1822	J. F. Canonge*	G. Dubuys*	Y. Lemonnier	G. Leamont
1823	D. Burthe*	G. Dubuys	L. Moreau Lislet	L. A. de Bodin
1824	J. F. Canonge	Y. Lemonnier*	L. A. de Bodin	A. Longer
1825	John H. Holland	L. A. de Bodin*	A. Longer	Charles Maurian
1826	John H. Holland	M. Flietas	A. Longer	Charles Maurian
1827	John H. Holland	M. Flietas	Charles Maurian*	A. Morphy
1828	John H. Holland	A. Morphy*	Charles Maurian	A. Longer
1829	J. F. Canonge	D. F. Burthe	A. Longer	J. B. Faget
1830	John H. Holland	A. Longer*	M. Fouché Cougot	J. B. Faget
1831	John H. Holland	J. B. Faget	Seth W. Nye	Jean Lamothe
1832	John H. Holland	Aug. Doucé*	Seth W. Nye	Thomas Blois*
1833	John H. Holland	Aug. Doucé	Jean Lamothe	J. B. F. Giquel
1834	John H. Holland	Aug. Doucé	Jean Lamothe	Charles Revoile
1835	John H. Holland	Aug. Doucé	F. J. Verrier	J. B. F. Giquel
1836	L. H. Feraud*	J. Viosca	J. B. F. Giquel*	Jean Lamothe
1837	L. H. Feraud	F. J. Verrier	J. B. F. Giquel	F. Coquet
1838	John H. Holland	J. J. Mercier*	J. B. Lambert*	Zenon Colson
1839	John H. Holland	Alex. Phillips	F. J. Verrier	Perez Snell†
1840	A. W. Pichot*	G. A. Montmain	J. Viosca	Ramon Vionnet†
1841	A. W. Pichot	Jean Lamothe	J. Viosca	Ramon Vionnet†
1842	Jean Lamothe	Ramon Vionnet†	Paul Bertus*	Ramon Viosca
1843	E. A. Canon*	Felix Garcia	A. D. Guesnon	H. Kidel
1844	E. A. Canon	Lucien Hermann	Lucien Hermann	Francis Calongne
1845	Robert Preaux	Robert Preaux	Lucien Hermann	Francis Calongne
1846	Felix Garcia	Robert Preaux	Francis Calongne	Joseph Lisbony†
1847	Felix Garcia	Robert Preaux	Francis Meilleur	Romain Brugier†
1848	{ Felix Garcia	{ Lucien Hermann	{ Thos. B. Patten*	{ Alex. Derbes
L.G.L.	{ M. R. Dudley*	{ Thos. H. Lewis	{ W. P. Coleman	{ G. Gorin
1849	{ Lucien Hermann	{ F. Calongne*	{ Anto'e Mondelli	{ Simon Meilleur
L.G.L.	{ John Gedge	{ Wm. W. Crockett	{ Wm. M. Perkins	{ J. W. McNamar
1850	Lucien Hermann	F. Calongne	Antoine Mondelli	George W. Catlett
1851	John Gedge*	Geo. W. Catlett	R. F. McGuire	William L. Knox
1852	H. R. W. Hill*	Robt. F. McGuire	Wm. L. Knox	S. M. Hart
1853	H. R. W. Hill	Wm. L. Knox	S. M. Hart	H. W. Huntington
1854	Wm. M. Perkins	Wm. L. Knox	H. W. Huntington*	Geo. D. Shadburne
1855	Wm. M. Perkins	Geo. D. Shadburne	M. H. Dosson	Law. P. Crain
1856	Wm. M. Perkins	M. H. Dosson	Louis Texada	S. O. Scruggs
1857	Wm. M. Perkins	Amos Adams	A. S. Washburn	S. O. Scruggs
1858	Amos Adams	Samuel M. Todd	S. O. Scruggs	A. J. Norwood

\* Dead. † Expelled by Grand Lodge for defalcation and swindling as Grand Treasurer.

‡ Not in good standing.



# APPENDIX.

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REPORT

OF THE

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

LECTURE

OF

BRO. ALBERT PIKE.

CONSTITUTION,

BY-LAWS AND GENERAL REGULATIONS.

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1858.



# REPORT

OF THE

## COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

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*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence beg leave respectfully to report—That the Grand Secretary has placed in our hands the following documents, the proceedings of other Grand Lodges:

ALABAMA, for 1856—1857.	MASSACHUSETTS, for 1857.
ARKANSAS, 1856.	MICHIGAN, 1857.
CALIFORNIA, 1857.	NEW JERSEY, 1857.
CONNECTICUT, 1857.	NEW YORK, 1857.
DISTRICT of COLUMBIA, 1856.	NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1857.
DELAWARE, 1857.	NORTH CAROLINA, 1856.
FLORIDA, 1857.	OHIO, 1856—1857.
GEORGIA, 1856.	OREGON, 1857.
INDIANA, 1857.	PENNSYLVANIA, 1856.
IOWA, 1856—1857.	SOUTH CAROLINA, 1857.
KANSAS, 1856.	TENNESSEE, 1856.
KENTUCKY, 1857.	TEXAS, 1857.
MARYLAND, 1856—1857.	VERMONT, 1857.
MISSISSIPPI, 1857.	VIRGINIA, 1856.
MISSOURI, 1857.	WISCONSIN, 1856—1857.
MAINE, 1857.	G. L. of SCOTLAND, 1857.
MINNESOTA, 1857.	CANADA, 1857.
G. O. of FRANCE, 1857.	NATIONAL G. O. of PERU, 1857.

Centennial Celebration of St. John's Lodge No. 2, Rhode Island.  
Circular Letter from Maine.

We have examined the documents and have given all the attention that we have been able to do, from the mass of matter thus examined. It is expected that this Committee will gather and present all such information as will be of interest or profit to this Grand Lodge. There is no want of material to present, but the great difficulty will be to abridge or to select from these Reports, so as not to make this too voluminous. Your Committee will present the Reports in alphabetical order, beginning with—

### ALABAMA.

The Grand Lodge of Alabama convened on the 1st of December, at the city of Montgomery, M. W. Sterling A. M. Wood, Grand Master, presiding.

Grand Master Wood, in his able address, alludes feelingly to the death of Wm. C. Dawson, who for twelve years had been Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Georgia.

He says :

"In September last, I received a communication from the W. Master of Geneva Lodge No. 129, containing in substance the following statement: 'Brother A—— arose in the Lodge and stated that he desired to *withdraw entirely from* Masonry, and have no further connexion whatever with it. He did not wish a demit. He also stated that he had joined a church opposed to all secret societies; he desired to conform to the rules of that church; he had no ill feeling to the Masonic Society or to any brother.' He is in good standing and has paid his dues. He wished it might be well understood that his withdrawal was something more than a demit—that it should have the effect of placing him in that situation that he would have occupied had he never joined the Fraternity. What course should the Lodge pursue?"

The answer of the Grand Master Wood is as follows:

"I recommended the Lodge to grant him a demit, it being the only means of withdrawal known to our institution; and to inform him that it was not in their power to change the past, or undo what had been already accomplished. There is no Masonic law forbidding his withdrawal from an active participation with his brethren in Masonic duties, but no power could relieve him from his moral and personal obligation to perform them. And, indeed, it does seem, that anciently it was thought not to be consistent with the duty of a Mason to remain unaffiliated with some Lodge; for we find in the "Old Charges," Section III, "of Lodges," the last clause of the first sentence, these words: "Every brother ought to belong to one." Owing, no doubt, to some yielding to the clamors of those who are not entitled to a better name than drones in our society, this old charge has, in that respect, been sadly neglected. There are many Masons within this

State, who do not work at all, and yet claim the right to eat, which is contrary, not only to the spirit and genius of Masonry, but to the precise words of the law; for it is written, "He that will not work, neither shall he eat."

It is not, however, pretended that the case from Geneva Lodge, (which is not the only one, precisely similar, presented to me this year,) stands on the same ground with that of a common withdrawal. It occupies a far different position, and must be viewed from a different stand point. If the brother who had connected himself with a church whose discipline forbade him to be a member of a secret society, felt that his conscience would not allow him to remain affiliated with the Lodge and a participant of its labors—if he believed that such an association was an impediment to him in his efforts to reach a happy home, after the toils of this life are ended, "where the wicked cease from trouble and the weary are at rest," then it was his duty to withdraw, and we can only say, let him go in peace. Let him be informed that it was still obligatory upon him, to conduct himself in such a way as not to bring reproach upon us—that he was still required to obey the moral law, for having once freely consented thereto, what power on earth can absolve him from this duty? If there be any such power, where or when it has been maintained or advocated, I am unable to discover.

All this he may do and maintain the universality of Masonry, by avoiding the appearance of interfering with any man's religious opinions. One question naturally arises here: Is the abuse and harsh words, used by some Masonic periodicals at the present time, towards several religious bodies, because their disciplines oppose secret societies, in accordance with a true Masonic spirit? Or is it not a reckless and uncalled for trespass upon the rights of conscience in those towards whom our charts hold this language: "Do good unto all." "Every human being has a claim on your kind offices."

The views of the Grand Master are no doubt correct; if a brother, from conscientious scruples, desires to withdraw from all the privileges of the Order, he has no doubt a right to do so; we know of no law to prevent it.

He speaks in this wise of the benefits resulting from the Annual Reports of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence:

"I have not thought it my duty to refer to our relations with the different Grand Lodges of the world. Your Committee on Foreign Correspondence will perform that pleasing task; but I cannot debar myself from expressing the great gratification we ought, as Masons, to feel, when we look at the effect this correspondence between Grand Lodges has produced in the Masonic world. It has brought together in feeling and brotherly love, those who will never meet in the flesh, and has woven a cord of friendship around the world which can never be broken, save when time shall be no more. It is founding for us the ground-work of a Masonic history, more perfect and lasting than could have been attained by any other means; and withal, has exhibited intellectual excellencies in Masonic literature, that we may, as Masons, be all proud to refer to and admire."

The Grand Lodge have accumulated a fund of some \$17,000, partly in cash and partly in notes. They have been somewhat exercised to know what to do with it; but, by a vote of 104 to 59 they have determined to make a distribution of the cash on hand, and annually to distribute the unappropriated funds until the sum of \$17,000 shall have been distributed to the subordinate lodges. During this communication there was paid in for dues more than \$3,000 by the subordinate lodges. The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, by R. H. Ervin, their Chairman, reviewed the proceedings of twenty-two Grand Lodges, Louisiana among the number. They speak of the address of Grand Master Perkins as an able and business-like paper; agrees with the Grand Master that a Mason can not or ought not to be a member of two Lodges at the same time, and says of our *Relief Lodge*, that "this is practical charity—a fit illustration of brotherly love—this active charity should receive the warm commendations of the Craft in all jurisdictions, and more substantial acknowledgements in their time of need."

R. W. Brother H. P. Watson was received as the Representative of the Grand Lodge of New York, near the Grand Lodge of Alabama, with appropriate ceremonies.

A committee was appointed to procure and present a suitable Jewel to the M. W. Sterling A. M. Wood, Grand Master, in token of the high estimation with which he is held by the members of the Grand Lodge. A committee was also appointed to procure and present a suitable Jewel to P. G. M. William Hendrix, who presided over the Grand Lodge in 1851.

## ARKANSAS.

The proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Arkansas are before us. The Communication was held on the 5th of November, 1856, Nat. G. Smith, Grand Master, presiding.

The M. W. Grand Master delivered a very able and interesting address. He gives some good advice to Masters of Lodges; recommends that none be elected Master who has not served as S. Warden—"let him approach the East by way of the West to enable him properly to diffuse true Masonic light." He also insists upon their reading Masonic literature, Masonic jurisprudence, but above all, the study of the *Moral Law* as the Great Light of Masonry. He says, and says truly, that "a mere flippant



answer to a few leading questions, expertness in repeating the occult verbiage of the Order, or a seeming proficiency in merely parroting the Lectures, are not sufficient qualifications alone to entitle a *man* to the dignified and highly responsible seat in the Orient to preside over the Sons of Light." He further remarks, that if the Master of a Lodge was proficient in the Lectures, understood their import, and had made himself conversant with Masonic literature, Masonic law—had drawn from the pure fountain of light—he would be able to make the Lodge and its meetings so attractive, that he would have no cause to complain of the want of proper and punctual attendance of the members of the Lodge.

There was a long report of the Trustees of St. John's College, located at Little Rock, and a bantling of the Grand Lodge. From this report we learn that the College has been, and is now, the cause of much embarrassment, and perhaps feeling among the members of Lodges in Arkansas. This seems to have been the case wherever a project for a College has been started by a Grand Lodge; either the brethren have become dissatisfied, or the College has proved a failure, and has been abandoned. What the result may be in this case, is in the womb of time. The following question of Masonic law was presented to the Grand Lodge, which was referred to a committee:

"What relation does the *wife* and *children* of an expelled Mason bear to the Fraternity, or what are the obligations of the Fraternity to them?"

The report of the committee, which was adopted, was as follows:

"The wife and children of an expelled Mason sustain the same relationship to the organized Masonic Fraternity, that the wife and children of any other man do who never was a Mason. Should any good Mason find a woman and her children in distress he will be prompted by the charitable impulses of his heart to relieve them, to feed them if hungry, clothe them if naked; but he will not do it any the sooner because the husband of the woman, or the father of the children, was an expelled Mason."

The report of the committee and the decision of the Grand Lodge, accords with the views of this committee: that all relationship with an expelled Mason ceases, and with all dependant upon him.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reviewed the proceedings of twenty-three Grand Lodges, Louisiana among the number, and have made an able and interesting report.

They notice the Relief Lodge No. 1, in New Orleans as one worthy of imitation, and that Louisiana may, with honest pride, point to it as one of her brightest jewels.

## CALIFORNIA.

The last annual communication of the Grand Lodge of California was held at Sacramento City, beginning May 12th, 1857, Wm. H. Howard, M. W. G. Master; R. W. A. G. Abell, G. Secretary.

The M. W. G. Master's address is an able and business-like production. He reports the condition of Masonry, generally satisfactory, indicating that prosperity usually characterizing that jurisdiction; says he fears that too many are knocking at our portals for admission during this period of prosperity, and particularly condemns the practice of Masons conferring *side degrees*, (so called :) condemns, in strong language, the inordinate desire of official station in the Lodge, and the almost rebellious dissatisfaction sometimes manifested by the defeated aspirant, when he finds his brethren have placed a lower estimate upon his qualifications than he had himself. This unfortunate disposition, he says, upon the part of such aspirants, has jeopardized the peace and harmony, and created confusion in the ranks of more Lodges than almost any other cause. In his last year's address he argued against the provision of the *Old Charges*, which required that a *Master* of a Lodge should previously have served as a *Warden*. He says in his present address :

"I am apprehensive that in doing so, I have in some degree favored that tendency to innovation which has become one of the crying evils of our time, and which has become more apparent to me since those remarks were penned. I shall, therefore, frankly acknowledge the error which I then fell into, in my strong desire to insure proficiency in the presiding officers of our Lodges; and by abandoning the position then assumed, yield my reasoning to the power of facts, as 'no brother can be a Warden until he has passed the part of a Fellow Craft, nor a Master until he has acted as Warden.'"

The Lodges in San Francisco established a *Board of Relief*, and at the present communication made their first report. It would no doubt be interesting to every member of this Grand Lodge to learn what the report was; we have, therefore, copied the report entire :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :*

The Masonic Board of Relief of the city of San Francisco, believing that your Most Worshipful Body will learn with pleasure of the success

of its ministrations in the cause of charity during the past year, have directed me to present to you at this Communication, a brief statement of the causes which induced its establishment, of the plan of its organization, and of the results which have attended its operations.

For some years past it has been notorious, that the Lodges of this city were frequently imposed upon by successful applicants for charity to several of them in succession, by those whom a proper opportunity for investigation would have exhibited as utterly unworthy to receive it: and, that even in the cases of deserving applicants, who were strangers, it was impossible that the Lodges, at a single meeting, should be able sufficiently to understand them, to be enabled to discriminate wisely as to the amount and mode of the relief to be afforded. So evident was this, that as early as the year 1854 an effort was made to institute an association of the Lodges here, similar to that now existing, but it failed to be carried into effect; not because the plan was disapproved, but because of a lack of energy and attention to conduct it to completion. In the following year it was again proposed, and the result was a compact between five of the Lodges, with an invitation to the others to become parties to it, should they feel so disposed. This went into operation from the first day of January, 1856, and its principal features, after a recitation of the causes which led to its formation, are that a Board of Relief should be established, to be composed of the Masters or presiding officers of the Lodges assenting to it, to which all applications for assistance from Masons, or the widows and children of Masons not belonging to any Lodge in this city, shall be sent—that a fund for the relief of such applicants should be provided by a tax upon the Lodges, parties to the compact, levied in the manner hereinafter exhibited—that each member of the Board should report all cases requiring relief to that body at its regular weekly meetings, or to its chairman during the recess—and that a report should be made to each of the assenting Lodges, twice in every year, detailing all the transactions of the Board during the preceding six months.

The following was its second semi-annual Report, presented to the Lodges on the 31st day of December, 1857, and as it gives a summary of the operations of the whole year preceding, it is exhibited as it was sent to the constituent bodies:

REPORT OF THE MASONIC BOARD OF RELIEF FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1856.

To the W. Master, Wardens and Brethren of ——— Lodge No. —:

The Masonic Board of Relief of the city of San Francisco, in submitting this, its second semi-annual report, to the several Lodges which have contributed to its establishment, take occasion at the close of the first year of its existence to present, not only a summary of its proceedings during the past six months, but a full and detailed account of all its transactions during the entire year.

As you have before been informed, the Masters respectively of *California, Parfaite Union, Occidental, Golden Gate* and *Mount Moriah* Lodges, (these being the five which first assented to the compact,) assembled on the 31st day of January, 1856, and organized the Board by the election of Bro. Alex. G. Abell as Chairman, Brother A. G. Randall as Treasurer, and Brother L. C. Owen as Secretary, the other two members being Brother Leopold Levy and Brother C. R. Saunders. In accordance with the second article of the compact, By-Laws were adopted for the government of the Board, and for the regulation of the manner in which the charities confided to its care should be administered, the most material rules of

which are, that regular meetings shall be held once in each week—that relief shall be granted only to regular and worthy Masons, their widows and children—that no sum greater than fifty dollars shall be granted at one time, except in extreme cases, and then only by an unanimous vote—that the Treasurer shall give satisfactory bonds for the faithful discharge of his trust, and shall make weekly reports of his receipts and disbursements—and that the Chairman be empowered during the recess of the Board to grant relief in emergent cases, to the extent of twenty dollars, reporting the case at the next meeting for approval.

On the 28th day of February, *Lebanon Lodge* assented to the compact, and on the 13th day of the following month Brother Jacob Mayer appeared and signed it, thus making six of the city Lodges represented in the Board; and we have now the additional pleasure of announcing that the only remaining one—*San Francisco*, will become associated with us from the commencement of the coming year—thus joining together the entire Brotherhood of the city, for the accomplishment of the charitable purposes of our organization.

The revenue of the Board, under the terms of the compact, has been derived as follows:

1. From a general assessment of fifty cents for each member of every Lodge, party to the compact.
2. From a monthly assessment of ten cents for each member as before, and from a charge of five dollars for each degree conferred.
3. From such donations as those charitably disposed, might from time to time present to the Board, to aid it in the performance of its duties; and
4. From the power in cases of emergency, to levy an extra assessment on the Lodges of twenty-five cents for each member.

From these sources the receipts during the year just terminated have been as follows:

*From Assessments.*

California Lodge.....No. 1.....	For 12 months.....	\$557 90
Parfaite Union Lodge.....No. 17.....	For 1 “ .....	43 20
Occidental Lodge.....No. 22.....	For 12 “ .....	147 00
Golden Gate Lodge.....No. 30.....	For 12 “ .....	528 90
Mount Moriah Lodge.....No. 44.....	For 12 “ .....	406 60
Lebanon Lodge.....No. 49.....	For 12 “ .....	244 65

*From Donations.*

Net proceeds of a benefit given at the Metropolitan Theatre, by Mrs.		
Julia Dean Hayne.....		\$1,459 00
Contribution by <i>San Francisco Lodge</i> , No. 7, to assist in sending home a		
Mason's widow and children.....		25 00
Making the total receipts.....		\$3,412 25

Thus it will be seen that all the Lodges, parties to the compact, have paid their dues to the Board for the entire year, with the exception of *Parfaite Union*, No. 17, whose pecuniary embarrassments have compelled it to remain our debtor for its regular dues of the last eleven months, and for the extra assessment hereafter mentioned. It is believed, however, that that Lodge will ere long recover from its misfortunes; and the zeal which it has ever displayed in the discharge of its charitable duties, gives assurance that the debt will be cancelled at the earliest moment it may have the means to effect it.

But once during the past year has the Board had occasion for exercising the power given it to levy an extra contribution upon the Lodges. In the month of June last, unable to meet the demands upon its charity, an extra assessment of twenty-five cents per member was called for from the Lodges, and, with the exception before named, it was at once paid by all. Even this did not suffice for its necessities, and, to supply the additional want, three of the Lodges advanced to the Board the sum of \$214 50, which it was afterwards enabled to repay them from the receipts of the Benefit so kindly given by Mrs. Julia Dean Hayne.

A detailed tabular statement accompanies this report, showing, in accordance with the 6th Article of the compact, the names of all to whom relief has been afforded, the date when given, the residence of the recipients, the Lodges of which they last were members, the amounts donated, and the reasons for the donation; from which it will be seen that the disbursements during the year have been as follows:

For relief of sick, needy and destitute Masons.....	\$660 00
For relief of the wives, widows and children of Masons.....	648 00
For passages paid in various directions for destitute Masons, their widows and children.....	1,011 50
For funeral expenses of deceased Masons.....	165 00

Making a total for charity of.....\$2,484 50

In addition to this, there has been disbursed for blank books,  
stationery, and other necessary expenses..... 85 00

Being a total expenditure of.....\$2,519 50

The foregoing sum of \$2,484 50 has been distributed as follows:

To 1 case from Alabama.....	\$281 50	Amount brought forward.	\$1,212 50
" 1 " Arkansas.....	20 00	To 3 cases from Massachusetts.....	45 00
" 5 " California.....	118 00	" 4 " Missouri .....	185 00
" 1 " Connecticut....	85 00	" 2 " New Jersey....	60 00
" 3 " Dist. Columbia	155 00	" 21 " New York.....	380 00
" 3 " Georgia .....	95 00	" 3 " Oregon .....	35 00
" 1 " Indiana .....	40 00	" 1 " Pennsylvania	50 00
" 1 " Iowa.....	20 00	" 1 " Rhode Island.	50 00
" 1 " Kentucky .....	10 00	" 6 " South Carolina	80 00
" 16 " Louisiana .....	323 00	" 3 " Texas .....	30 00
" 1 " Maryland .....	65 00	" 3 " England.....	50 00
Amount carried forward..	\$1,212 50	" 12 " France .....	247 00
		" 3 " Ireland .....	60 00

Ninety-six applicants for relief..... \$2,484 50

### Recapitulation.

Total amount receipts by the Board.....\$3,412 25  
" " disbursements..... 2,519 50

Balance in Treasury December 31, 1856..... \$892 75

In concluding this report we take the occasion to request that the Lodges will direct their respective Secretaries to furnish the Secretary of the Board, on the last day of each month, with a statement of the number of members then borne upon the roll of the Lodge, and of the number of degrees conferred during that month; and that the Treasurers of the Lodges respectively, be directed to pay over the amount of the assessment due in accordance with said statement, to the Treasurer of the Board without delay.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

By order of the Board.

L. C. OWEN, Secretary.

Thus it will be seen, that five Lodges in the city of San Francisco have disbursed in charity to sojourning brethren, their widows and orphans, within less than a year, the sum of \$2,484 50, besides the sums bestowed among the needy and destitute of their own membership, these being expressly excluded from the jurisdiction of the Board. The moneys thus

additionally expended amount in the aggregate to about \$1500, making a total expenditure for benevolence of nearly \$4000 within the past twelve months.

Even this sum does not represent the whole amount which we should have been compelled to disburse, had it not been for the charitable generosity of others; and we are happy to have the opportunity thus to express the great obligations we are under to the liberality of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, and the California Steam Navigation Company. The first, through its agents in this city, Messrs. Forbes & Babcock, has always made generous deductions from their usual charges in the cases of passengers sent home to the Atlantic States by this Board; and the last, by its President, Brother Samuel J. Hensley, has ever carried free, upon all their river steamers, those whom we were aiding to reach any part of the interior.

The system has been found to work admirably. Time and opportunity is afforded by it to examine thoroughly the merits and requirements of each application; and thus, while imposition is prevented on the one hand, real need is certainly cared for on the other, and there is tolerable assurance that the funds collected for charity are disbursed as wisely and judiciously as human fallibility will permit.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ALEX. G. ABELL,  
Chairman Masonic Board of Relief.

It will be seen by the above, that the Board of Relief distributed \$2,484 50 for the relief of such needy and destitute Masons, their wives, widows and orphans—\$118 only to those of their own household—while Louisiana distressed received in relief to her destitute the large sum of \$323, a larger sum than any other State except New York. Such evidence of substantial charity as this, does honor to the brethren in San Francisco. It does honor to the State—to the Order of Free Masonry. It exhibits in a more condensed form what every city and town in our land are doing where Masonry and Masonic Lodges exist. There is a constant and quiet stream of charity flowing out from most of the Lodges in every portion of our country. Our own *Relief Lodge*, which has received the commendation of almost every Grand Lodge in the United States, is after all but a public exhibition of what was constantly going on in the Lodges before the Relief Lodge had an existence.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence was presented by Brother A. G. Abell, reviewing thirty-one Grand Lodges—Louisiana included. In commenting upon the proceedings of our Grand Lodge, they agree with Grand Master Perkins, that membership should be confined to one Lodge—approve of the plan of a permanent *Committee on Work*, as the best

means to obtain and preserve a uniformity of work. They quote at length all the proceedings of New York with reference to the proffered mediation of the Grand Lodge of the State of Pennsylvania, occupying some eight or nine pages, the whole gist of which is that the Grand Lodge of New York declines the proffered mediation, and administers a pretty severe rebuke to the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

Brother N. Greene Curtis, of Sacramento, was elected M. W. G. Master, and Brother Alex'r G. Abell re-elected G. Secretary.

### CONNECTICUT.

The Annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Connecticut was held at Hartford, May 12th, 1857. M. W. Wm. L. Brown, Grand Master.

The M. W. Grand Master, in his address, notices the death of Brother James Ward, aged ninety years, who was initiated in 1790, and remained, a member of the Order up to the day of his death—was buried with Masonic honors. He also alludes to the death of our Illustrious Brother Elisha Kent Kane. He calls attention to the ancient records of the Order in that State, and recommends some action be had in reference to them. He says, that the first steps taken to organize a Grand Lodge were in 1783, and up to 1819 no records of its proceedings are preserved, except upon loose sheets of paper in manuscript, and many of them much worn and mutilated. A committee was appointed upon this part of the Grand Master's address, who reported, that after having the subject under consideration they recommend that the records be gathered up and bound in their present form, so as to preserve the original records for future reference.

Brother Wm. Storer, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, presented their report, the reading of which was commenced, when at 3 o'clock it was suspended for the election of officers. In the evening it was again resumed, when, on motion, it was voted that the report be received. Two resolutions accompanying the report were adopted, welcoming the Grand Lodges of *Canada* and *Kansas* into the great family of American Grand Lodges—when Brother J. B. Foster offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

*“Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be, and he is hereby, authorized and instructed to publish the report of the Committee on Foreign Corres-*

pondence, together with the proceedings of the Grand Lodge, and distribute the same in the usual manner.

Brother Asa Smith offered the following :

"*Resolved*, That an order be drawn on the Grand Treasurer in favor of the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, for the sum of fifty dollars, for his services the past year."

Brother D. Clark offered the following :

"*Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge will not hereafter appropriate a sum exceeding twenty-five dollars annually, as a remuneration for the services of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence."

Which was adopted.

Brother Storer was subsequently appointed Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, which he declined.

"Time is money," said Doctor Franklin, and so say our Connecticut brethren. The Grand Lodge of Connecticut usually meet and transact all their business in one day; at the last Communication, however, they were detained until the morning of the second day to finish up the business of the Grand Lodge: they were unwilling to be delayed to hear the report of their Committee on Foreign Correspondence, but accepted it, and ordered it to be published among their proceedings. They perhaps saved an hour or two of time, but lost, in not having the report read, more Masonic information than some of them perhaps will ever recover. We have read with some care the report, and can say that it is full of just such information as Masons need: what twenty-six Grand Lodges, scattered from Oregon to Maine, are doing—who are their officers—how many Lodges and members—what are their views upon such subjects where difference of opinion prevails. And we take this occasion to say, that, in our opinion, nothing has been so useful in diffusing a general knowledge of the condition of Masonry among its votaries—nothing has been so efficacious in settling mooted questions, in producing a oneness of sentiment throughout the Masonic world—as these reports of Committees on Foreign Correspondence. Sometimes, perhaps, in their reviews of other jurisdictions, they have *censured too severely*, or *criticised too sharply*, and have brought out caustic replies; but even from these, good has arisen. They have been read—the good extracted and the bad discarded. And among the able reports for some years past, those of Brother Storer have been conspicuous. We have read the present report with much pleasure, and should like to make copious extracts from it, but space forbids.



The Grand Secretary has received from eleven subordinates the sum of \$145 50 for the fund of Relief Lodge, No. 1, New Orleans. Several others had voted appropriations which he had not yet received.

M. W. Wm. L. Brewer was re-elected Grand Master, and E. G. Storer re-elected Grand Secretary.

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

We have before us the proceedings of the Grand Lodge for the District of Columbia, for the year 1856. The Annual Grand Communication was held on the 4th of November.

M. W. Charles S. Frailey, Grand Master, delivered an appropriate address. He says that "many applications have been made during the past year by Masters of Lodges for dispensations to make Masons, under the plea of their being cases of emergency. A few I granted, where they appeared to come within the principles heretofore announced by me as those by which I should be governed." Others were refused. He, however, urges the importance of making applicants "bide their time," and cites a case where a member of Congress was desirous of being invested with the first degrees, preparatory to receiving the Arch Degrees and the Encampment Degrees, just upon the adjournment of Congress; which was refused, and very properly. It is doubtful, in our opinion, whether there should be any cases of emergency, or if any, the cases are extremely rare.

At a Communication in May, the attention of the Grand Lodge was called by the Grand Master to a communication from the Grand Lodge of Canada. A committee, of which Brother B. B. French was Chairman, was appointed upon the Address of the Grand Master, who offered the following resolutions:

*"Resolved, That this Grand Lodge do cordially extend to our Brethren of the Province of Canada, a welcome hand as a Grand Lodge; and that, while this Grand Lodge holds in peculiar regard the rights and prerogatives of the Grand Lodge of England, and other Grand Lodges, under which some of the Canadian Lodges are working, and from which they hold Charters, and would not by implication, either directly or indirectly, do ought to impair their powers or functions,—yet that it is regarded as peculiarly appropriate that the Province of Canada should have accorded to them the independence they appear to have so properly assumed.*

*"Resolved, That this Grand Lodge recognizes the Grand Lodge of*

Canada as an independent jurisdiction, and will hold correspondence and fraternity therewith as such.

*"Resolved,* That the Grand Secretary be, and he is hereby, instructed to transmit a certified copy, under seal, of these resolutions to the M. W. Grand Master of Masons in the Province of Canada."

The report of the committee was received, the resolutions accompanying the same were unanimously adopted, and the Address of the Grand Lodge of Canada was ordered to be spread upon the minutes and printed.

It seems that the Grand Master, from the first, had doubts of the propriety of this course, and on the 18th of June, after having received a communication from the Provincial Grand Lodge of Canada West, he expressed himself as dissatisfied with the course taken, and sent the communication of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Canada to M. W. P. Grand Master French, as Chairman of the former committee, and informed him that at the Communication on the 24th of June, he wished him to review the whole matter, and prepare such a report as the exigencies of the case demanded. No action was taken at the meeting of the 24th of June, but at the Annual Grand Communication of November 4th, the same committee examined the whole ground, and arrived at the same conclusion at which they arrived in May, and offered the following:

*"Resolved,* That the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, seeing no reason to recede from the position she has already taken, re-affirms the resolutions unanimously adopted at her Semi-Annual Communication in May last, recognizing the Grand Lodge of Canada as an independent Grand Masonic jurisdiction."

The report was adopted by a vote 24 to 12.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence made an interesting report. Louisiana was not among the number.

George C. Whiting was elected M. W. Grand Master, and G. A. Schwarzman, Grand Secretary.

## DELAWARE.

The Annual Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge of Delaware was held at Wilmington on the 27th June, 1856, M. W. Alfred P. Robinson, presiding.

The Grand Master delivered an address in which we find the following sentence:

*"The Bible is bestowed upon us as our rule of Faith, and he who*

abnegates its divinity cannot, within our halls, be allowed to pollute it with his touch."

There was no report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. Nothing of any interest to the craft outside of Delaware was brought before the Grand Lodge.

M. W. Alfred P. Robinson was re-elected Grand Master, and R. W. Daniel R. Wolfe, Grand Secretary.

## FLORIDA.

The M. W. Grand Lodge for the State of Florida convened at Tallahassee on Monday, January 12th, 1857. R. W. E. R. Ives, D. G. M., as Grand Master. In the evening session, the G. M. Richard A. Shine was present and delivered a brief address. He states, that in the past two years four of the Past Grand Masters have been called from labor here to refreshment in a brighter sphere—one of them, the Hon. Joseph B. Lancaster, during the past year.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence made an interesting report through their Chairman, P. G. M. Thomas Brown. After reviewing the proceedings of twenty-eight Grand Lodges, they went into a thorough examination of the position of the Grand Lodge of Canada—perhaps your Committee should say, a thorough defence of the said Grand Lodge. We should be glad to copy the whole into this report if its length did not forbid; it occupies twenty-five pages, and to your committee is perfectly satisfactory of the correctness of the conclusion at which they arrive; which is, that the Grand Lodge of Canada is as justly entitled to the position she has assumed as any Grand Lodge in our Confederacy.

The report was received and accompanying resolutions adopted unanimously, as follows:

"*Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge of Florida cordially extend to their brethren of the Grand Lodge of Canada the right hand of fellowship, with fraternal greeting and a hearty welcome into the family of American Grand Lodges.

"*Resolved*, That the Grand Secretary send the proceedings of the Grand Lodge to the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Canada."

Brother T. Y. Henry was elected Grand Master, and John B. Taylor unanimously re-elected Grand Secretary.

## GEORGIA.

The Annual Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge of the State of Georgia was held in the city of Macon on the 28th of October, 1856, Wm. S. Rockwell, R. W. D. G. Master of the 4th Masonic District, presiding.

Out of a list of 205 Lodges in the State, 198 were represented at the opening of the Grand Lodge—a promptness and zeal worthy of imitation.

A committee was appointed to prepare a suitable tribute to the memory of their late Grand Master Wm. C. Dawson, who made a feeling report. The Grand Lodge also appropriated \$1,200 to erect a suitable marble monument in memory of the deceased; and a further appropriation to procure a life-like portrait of the deceased Grand Master, to be placed in the East of the Masonic Hall of the Grand Lodge of Georgia.

Georgia, unlike most other Grand Lodges, has the State divided into four districts, and a Deputy Grand Master elected for each district. Each D. G. Master in his district exercises full and supreme concurrent power with the Grand Master—and in the absence of the Grand Master, full supreme and concurrent power in the State. Whether it is from their peculiar organization, or from the great zeal of the officers, growing out of a spirit of emulation, to best work and best agree, or whatever the cause may be, we doubt whether any other Grand Lodge in the United States can compare with her, in the prompt and regular attendance upon the Communications of the Grand Lodge and in the returns and payment of dues. It speaks volumes in her behalf.

An interesting report by Brother Lawrence, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was made, reviewing the proceedings of twenty-seven Grand Lodges, Louisiana among the number. Our proceedings are noticed with commendation—copies Grand Master Perkins's remarks on members demitting for frivolous causes, and approves the rule authorizing Lodges to drop delinquent members from their roll for the non-payment of dues, without impairing their Masonic standing.

Wm. S. Rockwell was elected M. W. G. Master; Simeon Holt, R. W. D. G. Master, first district; A. A. Gaulden, R. W. D. G. Master, second district; Samuel Lawrence, R. W. D. G. Master, third district; David E. Butler, R. W. D. G. Master, fourth district; Simri Rose, W. G. Secretary.

## INDIANA.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Indiana was held in the City of Indianapolis, on the 25th day of May, 1857, M. W. A. C. Downey, Grand Master.

The M. W. Grand Master delivered an address, mostly a business document. One subject, however, which he brings to the notice of the Grand Lodge, and recommends action, will no doubt interest the members of this Grand Lodge. He states that at the present time, there is no mode by which a Grand Master can be tried, and that a Master of a Lodge can only be tried by the Grand Lodges. He recommends to the Grand Lodge the enactment of a rule by which the *Grand Master* and the Masters of Subordinate Lodges, shall be made amenable to the jurisdiction and discipline of the Subordinate Lodges to which they belong for unmasonic conduct, not growing out of their official acts. A committee was appointed upon this portion of the Grand Master's address, who at first reported that they were not prepared at that time to make a report, and asked for further time until the next Annual Communication, which was granted. By a resolution of the Grand Lodge subsequently, the postponement was reconsidered and the committee authorized to make a report, when the committee offered the following, which was seconded by the Grand Lodge, and ordered to lie over until the next Annual Communication :

The Select Committee, to whom was referred so much of Most Worshipful Grand Master's address as relates to the trial of the Grand Master, and Masters of Subordinate Lodges, have given the subject that consideration which the limited time at their command would permit. They have approached the subject with great diffidence, knowing that they would be obnoxious to the charge of trespassing upon old established and long received opinions relative to the rights and prerogatives of Masters of Lodges, who, by many have been considered to be entirely beyond the reach of the Lodges over which they presided.

Your Committee, however, think that while this opinion is to some extent correct, yet that there is a marked distinction to be drawn between the official acts of the Master, for the faithful performance of which he is amenable to the Grand Lodge alone, and acts of moral delinquencies, for which he ought to be, and we think is, amenable to the Lodge of which he is a member—who are doubtless as competent to judge as well of the character of the offence and the punishment that should be inflicted, as the Grand Lodge can be. While we entertain these views in regard to

Masters of Subordinate Lodges, we cannot perceive why the elevation of a Brother to the office of Grand Master, should place him beyond the reach of that moral discipline by the Subordinate Lodge of which he is a member, to which every other Brother is and ought to be subject.

While we readily admit that a Subordinate Lodge has no supervision over the official acts of its Master, or of the Grand Master, yet we must maintain that they are amenable to the Subordinate Lodges of which they are members for any violation of the great moral code which every Mason is bound to observe and obey, and which it is the imperative duty of every Lodge to enforce amongst its members, whether their station be high or low, whether they be master or member.

We believe that all Lodges, whether Grand or Subordinate, would bear long with the delinquencies of their presiding officer rather than attempt discipline; yet, when forbearance ceases to be a virtue, there ought to be a remedy somewhere, and that remedy we think can be placed in no safer hands than the Lodge of which the delinquent is a member, and which is responsible to the great Masonic family for the moral rectitude of those Brethren who are placed under their immediate care.

Your Committee, believing that Masters of Grand and Subordinate Lodges ought to be subject to the discipline of the Lodge of which they are members for a violation of any duty other than that growing out of their official duties, have instructed me to report the following regulations, and ask their adoption by the Grand Lodge as "New Regulations" for the government of Masters of Grand and Subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction.

1st. It shall be competent for the Subordinate Lodge of which the Grand Master is a member, to try, and to expel or suspend him for any unmasonic conduct not growing out of his official duties; and when expelled or suspended, his office of Grand Master shall be vacated, and the officer next in rank shall fill the office.

2d. Subordinate Lodges shall have power to try and expel or suspend their Master for any unmasonic conduct not growing out of the discharge of his official duties. When the Master of a Lodge is under trial, the officer next in rank, or some Past Master, to be designated by him, shall preside. When the Master of a Lodge is expelled or suspended, the officer next in rank shall succeed to the station.

3d. The Grand Master, and Masters of Subordinate Lodges, are answerable only to the Grand Lodge for acts growing out of his official duties.

The Grand Lodge is engaged in an enterprise somewhat similar to ours in result. Some years since they built a Grand Lodge Hall at Indianapolis; it was built as a joint stock concern, with an agreement that the Grand Lodge should have the privilege of purchasing the stock at par, as fast as she was able. The Hall cost about \$32,000, the Grand Lodge is already the owner of about \$24,000, and in a few years, say 1860, will be the sole owner, together with a piece of ground adjoining. This pro-

perty, when paid for, will yield such a revenue as forever to relieve the Subordinate Lodges from the payment of dues, if they so desire.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence made a brief report, having the proceedings of thirty-two Grand Lodges before them. There is nothing of general interest in the report, which we have not already noticed. In the notice of the proceedings of our Grand Lodge, they say :

“ The proceedings, like those of Mississippi, are voluminous, and lead your committee to presume that the Secretary was amply paid.”

M. W. Solomon D. Bayless, was elected Grand Master ; R. W. Francis King, Grand Secretary.

### IOWA.

The Grand Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Iowa was held in Iowa City, beginning on the 2d of June, 1857—M. W. John F. Sanford, Grand Master.

The Grand Master, in his address, *congratulates the brethren upon the prosperity of the Order* ; and if an increase of Lodges is a proper criterion, he may well congratulate them, for during the past two years forty Dispensations have been granted. The Grand Master says that the subject of uniformity of work is one that has caused much anxious thought and mature reflection, and experience has convinced him that the exemplification of the work and lectures before the Grand Lodge, at each Annual Communication, is the best means to obtain a uniformity. We think that, next to the plan adopted by this Grand Lodge, it is.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by Grand Secretary Parvin, and like all his productions, was very ably written. He reviews the proceedings of twenty-nine Grand Lodges. He speaks of the action of our Grand Lodge, in refusing a Charter, as well as a renewal of her Dispensation, on account of bad work, as the first instance of the kind he had ever had the pleasure of recording, and expressed his thanks that one Grand Lodge, in all the country, takes this only true and proper position.

We agree with Brother Parvin ; for it is much better for the interest of the Order to refuse a Charter to incompetent workmen, than to grant one, and then soon be called upon to arrest or declare it forfeited. It seldom happens that any good springs from establishing two Lodges in a small town or village, or very near each other in the country.

J. F. Sanford was re-elected M. W. Grand Master, and T. S. Parvin, the model Grand Secretary, of course, re-elected.

## KANSAS.

Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Kansas, at a meeting on the 14th of July, and at the Annual Communication, October 20th, 1857—M. W. R. R. Rees, Grand Master.

Delegates from three Lodges were present at the July Communication, and four at the Annual Communication in October. An address on both occasions was delivered by the Grand Master, and a report from a Committee on Foreign Correspondence, by the Grand Chaplain, Leander Ker. We gather from the proceedings that Masonry in Kansas has become a "fixed fact," and that amid the strife and confusion in that Territory, there was peace and harmony within her walls.

The Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence had the proceedings of the Grand Lodges of North Carolina, Ohio and Indiana before him. He presented two illustrations to show the universality of Masonry. One he received from a Missionary among the Chippewa Indians, who stated that he found many Masons among them, and had visited their Lodges and found the means of recognition the same as our own; and that they were exemplary and consistent men and Masons; and that it was of so ancient date among them, that none now living could give any account of its introduction among them.

## KENTUCKY.

The Grand Lodge of Kentucky was convened at Lexington on the 12th day of October, 1857—M. W. Theodore N. Wise, Grand Master. The Grand Master in his address presents to the Grand Lodge several questions for their action.

The first is the action of Excelsior Lodge No. 258, in the case of J. H. Howe, who was tried by said Lodge, and found guilty; he appealed to the Grand Lodge; the Grand Lodge restored him to Masonic privileges, and directed Excelsior Lodge to give him a new trial. On the second trial Howe was acquitted, but the Master of Excelsior Lodge refused him the rights and privileges of his Lodge, and Howe appeals to the Grand Master for redress. The opinion of the Grand Master is, that J.



H. Howe, on being acquitted on the second trial, is of right restored to all the privileges of Masonry, and to all his rights as a member of Excelsior Lodge; that his position is precisely the same, as if he had not been tried, and recommends action by the Grand Lodge to that effect.

The Select Committee on the Grand Master's Address disagree with the opinions of the Grand Master in their report, and cite the 65th Article of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky; containing in substance the same as the 15th and 16th section of Article 11 of our Constitution, and do declare that *Howe is not a member of Excelsior Lodge No. 258.*

Brother Martin offered a substitute for the report as follows :

"*Resolved*, That the decision of the Grand Master, T. N. Wise, in the case of *Excelsior Lodge* against *John H. Howe*, be and the same is hereby affirmed by this Grand Lodge."

Which resolution was decided in the affirmative.

Your Committee do not at this time express an opinion, because they deem the question one upon which the *opinion of the Grand Lodge should be expressed in decided terms.*

The second question is, whether a Past Master, in the absence of the Master and Wardens, can open the Lodge and transact business. The Grand Master arrives at the same conclusion of our Grand Master, that in no event or under any circumstances can a Lodge be opened for the transaction of business, unless one of the three first officers be present, and quotes the ancient charges to that effect.

A third question was raised on the action of Robert Burns Lodge, 163; where, in the absence of the Master and Senior Warden, the Junior Warden took the chair. Several Past Masters protested against the right of the Junior Warden to preside, but that he should have invited one of their number to have presided and conferred the degrees. A note was addressed to the Grand Master, requesting his views upon the subject—he sustained the Junior Warden in his rights to preside and confer degrees, upon which a difficulty arose between the Grand Master and the Master of the said Lodge, he refusing to admit the correctness of the Grand Master's decision, and proceeded to censure the Junior Warden for his unmasonic conduct, (as he termed it.) It was brought before the Grand Lodge, where the Grand Master was sustained, the Master of Robert Burns Lodge expelled for contumacy, and censure passed upon the Lodge for voting to sustain the W. Master in his contumacy.

We had supposed that this question of the right of the Wardens to suc-

ceed to the rights and duties of the Chair in the absence of Master, a settled question; and so well settled, that hardly a dispute could arise under it; but the other question—of the right of Past Masters to open a Lodge and transact business in the absence of the three first officers, not so well settled in all jurisdictions. It seems that the Master, and a majority of the members of Robert Burns Lodge, held in the City of Newport, believed that the duty of the Junior Warden was, to call a Past Master to the chair; and even at this day there are Past Masters in this jurisdiction, who will not remain in a Lodge presided over by either the Senior or Junior Wardens, unless they are Past Masters, or call one to assist in the East.

The death of two Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge is recorded—Willis Stewart, of Louisville, and John D. McClure, of Owenton.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence made a report, occupying some sixty pages, reviewing the proceedings of thirty-three Grand Lodges, Louisiana included. The report is an able production, emanating from the pens of Rob Morris and J. M. S. McCorkle. We have read the report with a great deal of interest; it takes strong ground against the efforts now being made in some Grand Lodges to introduce a new *test*, as a prerequisite to becoming a Mason—a *belief* in the divine authenticity of the Scriptures—or rather to Christianize Masonry. They look upon it as a dangerous departure from the Ancient Landmarks of the Order, and approve of the views expressed by *Prince Lucien Murat*, Grand Master of the Grand Orient of France, in his opening address at the late universal Masonic Congress, as follows:

“All men who believe in the existence of a *Supreme Being*, the *Great Architect* of the *Universe*; who believe in the immortality of the soul, and consequently in an eternal well-being; every man who feels the love of his fellow-man vibrate in him, is acceptable among us.”

They give quite an extended report of the Relief Lodge No. 1, in New Orleans, speak in high praise of its object and action, and recommend that the Grand Lodge of Kentucky appropriate the amount to the Relief Lodge paid by said Lodge to Masons of that jurisdiction; which resolution was passed.

The Grand Lodge funds are accumulating; they have now on hand more than \$22,000.

M. W. Philip Swigert, was elected Grand Master; R. W. Rob Morris, was elected D. G. Master; and R. W. J. M. S. McCorkle, was re-elected Grand Secretary.

## MARYLAND.

We have the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Maryland, from May, 1856, to May, 1857, before us; also of the Grand Stewards Lodge, from January, 1856, to April, 1857.

At the Semi-Annual Communication in May, a short address was presented by the Grand Master, Charles Webb, and a brief report from the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, almost exclusively upon Canada affairs. They postpone action until better informed upon the subject.

M. W. Charles Webb also presided at the Grand Annual Communication in November. The address of the Grand Master is very brief: he declined a reelection.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by Brother John S. Berry, and contains some wholesome truths. After expressing fears that the rapid advance of the Order, in numbers and Lodges, evidences no real prosperity, they say:

“The unlimited and indiscriminate multiplication of charters, begets an *emulation*, not of who best can work and best agree, but of who can most work, and, not unfrequently, least agree, in consequence of the discordant materials which have been hastily and disjointedly *forced*, not worked, into the building. The honor and reputation of the institution is frequently overlooked in the admissions, and its utility neglected in disbursing the acquisitions; infractions of jurisdictional limits are frequently complained of, and seem to be multiplying on all sides. This is the legitimate result from the strife for numbers, and the itching after funds.”

In another connection, we shall, perhaps, notice the views entertained of non-affiliated Masons, by the Maryland committee.

Brother J. A. McKenney was elected M. W. Grand Master, and Joseph Robinson reelected Grand Secretary.

A Semi-Annual Communication was held in May, 1857—M. W. J. A. McKenney, Grand Master. The Grand Lodge of Maryland have a charity fund accumulating for the purpose of building an *Asylum* or *Retreat* for indigent widows of Masons. The fund now is about \$21,000. The fund they deem now sufficient to commence the building, and a committee was appointed to select a suitable place in the country for the purpose—a much better and more useful appropriation, in the opinion of your committee, than in putting up college buildings.

## MASSACHUSETTS.

The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts held Quarterly Communications, during the year 1856, M. W. Winslow Lewis, Grand Master, presiding. The Grand Master made no address to the Grand Lodge until the last communication of the year, when his successor, M. W. John T. Heard, was about to be installed. He then made his valedictory, reviewing his administration during the past year; and, immediately after the installation of officers, the new Grand Master presented his inaugural address. Both addresses were very interesting, and your committee should be pleased to make large extracts from them. Grand Master Lewis says:

"The necessity for, and the advantages of, a society like that of Free Masonry, are now universally acknowledged. It has become a 'fixed fact,' among the various organizations that have for their object the relief of suffering, the amelioration of humanity, and the union of man with his fellow man. Of such associations, it is the first, as it is the most extended in its relations; knowing no high, no low, no rich, no poor, no language, no country, no sect, as its limitations. The world is its sphere—a universal brotherhood its aim.

"Where there is the largest liberty, there its roots are the firmest, its growth the most rapid, its influence the most widely diffused, its operations the most beneficent, its excellence the most appreciated. It is, therefore, in our favored land, increasing to a most unprecedented degree; public favor has smiled on its progress, and bids it God speed in its course. No section is exempt in this increase, no portion but what has shared of this prosperity."

In the address of Grand Master Heard, he recommends an Annual Feast, as the means of promoting personal acquaintance among the brethren, and securing the advantages arising from social intercourse; and urges it as one of the permanent regulations of Masonry in England, from whence we have received it; as a positive requisition made upon Henry Price, appointed Grand Master of New England, in 1733. He says it was, and is, with our English brethren, a Masonic landmark, which they strictly regard to the present time.

A report was made by a committee appointed upon Canada affairs, who reported against recognizing the Grand Lodge of Canada, or holding Masonic intercourse with them. They failed to satisfy your committee of

the correctness of their views. There is one argument used by the committee so novel as to require notice. They say :

“In discussing this question, we must define, if we can, the principles which have always, by common consent, governed the relations of the various Grand Lodges in this country with each other and with foreign countries. And the leading principle is this: That each Grand Lodge in the United States rules and governs, without interference from any other, all Lodges within the civil jurisdiction of the State in which she is situated—holding the Territories as common ground, wherein each Grand Lodge is free to charter Lodges at pleasure, until each Territory, by being regularly admitted into the Union as a State, acquires the right to form a Grand Lodge for itself.”

That is the principle laid down by this Committee, though they admit that this has not in all cases been adhered to, yet they think the practice illegal, and the only safe rule the one which they have laid down, and then apply the rule to the case in point as between England and Canada.

Now, your Committee hold almost an entire opposite opinion with regard to the Territories in the United States. We hold this to be the rule—that any Grand Lodge may grant charters in any unoccupied Territory, District or State, and with equal right in a State or Territory; that when such State or Territory shall have a sufficient number of Lodges to form a Grand Lodge, and they believe it to their interest to do so, they have an undoubted right to meet and form a Grand Lodge without let or hindrance from any other power, and without any reference to any political or civil movement to change the form of government. This course is a reasonable one, and which has been practiced from the foundation of our government; and, as far as we have ever heard, has been universally acquiesced in, without going farther back than our own memory. Here is Florida, Minnesota, Kansas, Oregon, and perhaps others which have been admitted, acknowledged and greeted as independent Grand Lodges, without reference to a change from Territory to State; and it would seem that this principle laid down by the Massachusetts Committee was never advocated until now, when the application is made to the Canada Grand Lodge. Your Committee may as well say here, what they intended to say near the close of this report, that, notwithstanding the able reports of the Massachusetts and New York Committees upon and against the admission of the Grand Lodge of Canada into the family of Grand Lodges, they are still of the opinion that the Grand Lodge of Canada is as justly and legally entitled to her independence as any Grand Lodge in America. We shall

not attempt to offer any further argument than what has already been presented by the Committee on Foreign Correspondence for the last two years, together with the action of our Canadian brethren; if that is not sufficient, then nothing which we can present will suffice. We have read the strong, able and unanswerable arguments of the Florida Committee, which, but for its length, we should like to transcribe; and also the able report of the Committee in the District of Columbia, in reviewing their proceedings in this matter; but enough ~~has~~ been said and enough written; we shall simply present a resolution at the end of this Report for the consideration of the Grand Lodge.

The M. W. John T. Heard was elected Grand Master, and Charles W. Moore re-elected Grand Secretary.

## MAINE.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine was held at the city of Portland, commencing on the first Tuesday (fifth day) of May, 1857—M. W. Jabez True, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master was devoted almost entirely to the local business matters of the Grand Lodge. The Grand Master says he has felt the need of some standard work on Masonic Jurisprudence, to consult in answering inquiries upon that subject, (Masonic Law); and recommends that the Grand Lodge take measures to have a work compiled and approved by that body. We have been congratulating ourselves that we have been able to consult two able works, lately offered to the Craft, upon Masonic Jurisprudence, by those two intelligent and accomplished Masons—Mackey, of South Carolina, and Rob Morris, of Kentucky; or rather, Mackey and Morris of the United States; for they no longer belong to any section or State, but are the common property—if I may use that term—of the whole Union where there are Masons needing Masonic light.

Brother Preble offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

“*Resolved*, That the right (so called) to visit Masonically is not an *absolute right*, but is a *favor*, which every lawful Mason in good standing is entitled to ask, and which the Master may concede, or refuse, at his discretion; and that no Master of a Lodge under this jurisdiction shall admit a visitor when positive objection to such admission is made by a regular member, or by a Lodge.”

This resolution denies the *right* of Masons to visit, as an *inherent* right, but that each Master of a Lodge may *refuse* or *concede* the privilege at pleasure. The views entertained by Mackey, on page 255 of "*Principles of Masonic Law*," is, "that every affiliated member of a Lodge has the *right* to visit any other Lodge as often as he may desire to do so. This right is secured to him by the ancient regulation, and is therefore irreversible." In the ancient charges and the constitution of a Lodge, formerly contained in a MS. of the Lodge of Antiquity, in London, and whose date is anterior to 1688, this right is secured explicitly, in the quaint language of that period; and the Grand Lodge of England, in the year 1819, on a complaint preferred by a brother who had been refused admittance, declared: "That it is the undoubted right of every Mason, who is well known, or properly vouched, to visit any Lodge during the time it is opened for general Masonic business, etc., but to *entitle him to this right, he must be affiliated with some Lodge.*" Our conclusion is, that when a visitor is a Mason in good standing, *a member of a Lodge*, and is vouched for, or submits to an examination, and proves himself satisfactorily, by the proper tests, a Mason, he has a *right* secured to him to visit at his pleasure any Lodge when opened for general Masonic purposes.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was from the pen of Brother Cyrus Pearl, and like all his former reports, is an able and interesting review of her sister Grand Lodges this year, twenty-seven in number, our own among them. They notice one feature with pleasure, the *model* table of statistics preparad by our Grand Secretary, as follows :

"One feature we gladly notice is, a *model table* of statistics containing abstracts and returns from all the thirty-five Grand Lodges of our Union, as far as the compiler could do this; the filling up is incomplete, but if the system is adopted by all the jurisdictions, we may soon have complete returns. They have also a similar table of the subordinates in their own jurisdiction, with statistics carefully footed, so as to aid in completing general tables for the several States.

"Our brethren of Louisiana are zealously enlisted in securing a Grand Lodge Hall, which they intend shall be an honor to the State, and yield a liberal revenue from its rents for a charity fund."

Brother Pearl is in favor of forming a General Grand Lodge, and at the close of the report offers the following resolution :

"*Resolved*, That the Committee on Foreign Correspondence be instructed to address a circular to the Grand Lodges of this Country, urging the formation of a

General Grand Lodge, at the time and place of meeting of the G. G. Chapter and G. G. Encampment in September, 1859; and that this circular be prepared and sent out in connexion with the proceedings of this Communication."

It does not appear that any action was taken by the Grand Lodge upon the resolution.

M. W. Robert P. Dunlap, was elected Grand Master, and Ira Berry, re-elected Grand Secretary.

## MISSOURI.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of the State of Missouri, was held in St. Louis, commencing on the 25th of May, 1857, M. W. Benj. Sharp, Grand Master.

The report of the Grand Master is chiefly devoted to the Masonic College at Lexington, and under the care of the Grand Lodge. He says he has hitherto looked upon the College as one of the noblest charities of Masonry in the State, and felt an honest pride in its prospects of success, but the conviction has forced itself upon him, that it cannot succeed, and that it will be better for the Grand Lodge to make some disposition of the College; and is satisfied that many of the Lodges will surrender their Charters, before they will submit to be taxed any longer on its account. A number of reports of the condition of the College was presented, and a number of resolutions offered, but the final action of the Grand Lodge, with reference to the College, was, upon the following resolution of Bro. Whittlesey:

*"Resolved, That the Board of Curators be directed to receive proposals for the disposal of the College Grounds, buildings and furniture, to such Association or College as will purchase the same, carry on the College, and redeem all the paid scholarships; and that said proposals be reported to the next meeting of the Grand Lodge."*

Which was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by George Whitcomb, Chairman, and gives a brief review of twenty-eight Grand Lodges, Louisiana included. We should be glad to make extracts from the report, if space and time admitted.

M. W. Samuel H. Saunders, elected Grand Master.

R. W. A. O'Sullivan, re-elected Grand Secretary.



## MICHIGAN.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Michigan, was held at Detroit, beginning January 14th, 1857. M. W. George C. Munro, Grand Master.

The Grand Master delivered an address, of local interest, principally ; also a report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, reviewing the proceedings of twenty-five Grand Lodges, Louisiana included. They say, Louisiana may with pride point to Louisiana Relief Lodge as one of her brightest jewels.

M. W. Levi Cook, was elected Grand Master, and James Fenton, re-elected Grand Secretary.

## MINNESOTA.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, convened at the City of St. Paul. M. W. A. T. C. Pierson, Grand Master.

The Grand Master's address contains the following historical facts :

"The first General Assembly of Masons, of which we have now any record (owing to the fact that the earliest records were destroyed by some of our over scrupulous brethren in the beginning of the eighteenth century,) was held in the year two hundred and eighty-five. Over that body, St. Albans, the Proto-Martyr, presided as Grand Master." \* \* \* "The pages of history are silent as to another General Assembly, until the year 926. In that year, Prince Edwin, the Grandson of Alfred the Great, obtained from his brother Atholstane, King of England, permission for the Craft to hold a yearly communication, or General Assembly, at the City of York. For many centuries their annual communications continued to be held at that city, and from that circumstance arose the term *York Masons*.

"These General Assemblies all the members of the Craft, even to the youngest E. A. were privileged to attend, and each was allowed a voice and a vote in all its deliberations.

"Masonry, although at all times adhered to, and supported by, the wise men of the age, either flourished or languished, as it was opposed or encouraged by the reigning family. \* \* \* During the reign of Queen Anne, the Craft was in a languishing condition, many of the Lodges ceased to work, until at the revival in A. D. 1717, there were but four working Lodges in the south of England, and all of them in London."

He proceeds to mention their names, their places of meeting, their meeting together, and reviving the annual meetings; since which time there has been a steady advance of the Order. The Address is a very interesting one, in which he gives some good advice to his brethren, as to the selection of material, and advancement of candidates. They are already making arrangements to build a Grand Masonic Hall at St. Paul.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence contains much to interest and instruct, but it is a review of other Grand Bodies and calls for no special notice at our hands.

Oregon, in noticing the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, says :

"There must be some powerful speakers in this Grand Lodge, as, though it has a constituency of only five subordinates, and appears to have had but little business to transact, it remained five days in session,"

To which they reply :

"That they prolong its sittings not for buncombe, nor press of business, but for the *pure love of the thing*, to spend a few days in festivity and social enjoyment, in fraternal council and intercourse; dividing their time between those two holy places—the Lodge room and the fire-side of a brother."

Instead of prolonging the time in this locality for any such purpose, it is extremely difficult for us, of Louisiana, to detain the members until we have finished the necessary business of the Grand Lodge.

The following resolution was passed :

"*Resolved*, That in the opinion of the Grand Lodge, Committees of inquiry upon petitions presented in the Subordinate Lodges should make particular personal inquiry into the moral, physical, intellectual and social qualifications of the petitioners; should not in any case rest satisfied with merely negative virtues, but should become convinced that the candidate will add to our moral, as well as numerical strength."

When Committees act up to the above resolution, and Lodges enforce a rigid inquiry, and will be satisfied with nothing short, of such positive qualities as required above, then will Masonry take a vastly higher stand, and exert a most powerful influence for good.

M. W. T. C. Pierson, was re-elected Grand Master, and G. W. Prescott, Grand Secretary.

## MISSISSIPPI.

The Grand Lodge of Mississippi held its Annual Communication in the city of Vicksburg on the 19th of January, 1857, Giles M. Hillyer, Grand Master. The address of the Grand Master is a perfect *gem*, from which we make some extracts with pleasure. He says :

“ Masonry, my brethren, is not religion, though often, if not always, its hand-maid. It is no substitute for religion. Its birthplace was on the earth ; there is the scene of its labor and its triumphs. Its concern is for man—the moral and spiritual man, I mean, as well as the bodily man ; but, for man in this world. However typical may be its organization, its rites, or its ceremonies, of dispensations, of sacrificial acts, or of religious systems, still it has naught to do but be true to its immemorial teachings. Its aim and its intention, apart from the scientific knowledge it imparts, is to make the travel along life's road a more pleasant, a more instructive, a more beneficial journey. The *Square*, the *Level* and the *Plumb* are to be the Mason's guide, fitting him for more useful employment in the Great Lodge of Life. He learns the lessons of morality and rectitude, of knowledge and virtue, of integrity to trusts committed to him ; the lessons of the certainty of death, of the resurrection from the dead, of a calm reliance upon God ; and that there is a vast celestial Lodge above, whose pavement is of stars, whose pillars are by His Throne, and whose jewels are resplendant of the brightness of His glory. \* \* \* \* \* Masonry does not, nor will it, alone make us partakers of the joys of that Lodge, but most assuredly, no faithful Mason ever lived but was placed, through its influence, in a position more likely to receive the great passwords of religious hope and religious confidence.”

He recommends the adoption of a rule so as to make the proxies who attend the Grand Lodge of equal or superior grade and rank of those they represent, and that the W. M. and Wardens of the preceding year should be the representatives to the Grand Lodge ; by which means he thinks they will secure to Communications of the Grand Lodge, which meets in January, sounder learning, greater judgment and riper experience, and greater devotion, than by being represented by the newly elected officers.

The Grand Secretary, as Chairman of the Committee of Correspondence, made a report, occupied mostly to show the relation which the *First Great Light* of Masonry has to the Order.

The Grand Master, in behalf of a number of the brethren, presented a service of silver plate to R. W. Wm. P. Mellen, as a token of their appre-

ciation of his services as Grand Secretary for many years. Brother Mellen has been associated with the Grand Lodge for twenty-seven years, and has been absent but twice in that time from the Annual Communication, and is now the oldest member of that Grand Lodge. Grand Master Hillyer delivered a suitable address for the occasion, and was replied to by Brother Mellen.

M. W. Wm. R. Cannon was elected Grand Master, and R. W. T. Daniel re-elected Grand Secretary.

## NEW YORK.

The Annual Meeting of the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of New York was held in the city of New York, commencing on the 2d of June, A. D. 1857; M. W. John L. Lewis, Jr., Grand Master; 329 Lodges represented.

The Grand Master delivered a long, able and interesting address. He says :

"At a recent period I was proud and happy to congratulate the Fraternity upon the harmony and prosperity which pervaded the jurisdiction. I cannot now reverse the picture—as in a harmonious landscape there are various light and shade, each giving relief to the other—so is it in our own moral field. We are not exempt from the infirmities of human passion, and he is no lover of his race who would turn sadly or coldly away from the bright or beautiful, and with morbid feelings dwell only upon the dark and repulsive; such may be men of the world, but they are not *for* the world's good."

He goes on to remark that little differences may, and do spring up; differences of opinion may arise, partizanship may be created, ill-natured feelings be gendered in the Lodge, arising from our infirmities—and yet, he says :

"In view of the world-wide enterprise before us, and of the mighty host marching to its accomplishment, how utterly insignificant does all this appear, and how fertile must be the imagination which would convert such a surface ripple into a rolling mountain wave."

He speaks of their internal peace and harmony, unconscious themselves of anything seriously to disturb that harmony, while they hear from without the voice of lamentation, of sympathy, of reproof, of remonstrance, and even sarcastic invective, by turns sounding in their ears. Of this he com-

plains, and justly complains. The Grand Lodge is acknowledged by every Grand Lodge in the United States, with one exception; she is increasing in numbers as well as in Lodges, has probably the largest constituency of any Grand Lodge in America, brings the best talents in the State to her service, and has a larger correspondence than any other Grand Lodge: her officers in every part of her work are men of the first order of talent—united at home and respected abroad—who neither ask nor desire either sympathy, reproof, remonstrance or invective. It is true, in New York there are those who claim to be *Masons*, and claim to belong to a separate Grand Lodge, and ask the sympathies, and ask the acknowledgement of their rights to that position; but who acknowledges their claims; not one, no, not even Pennsylvania; no Grand Lodge in the United States admits the legitimacy of that body, claiming to be a Grand Lodge, presided over by Mordecai Myers. Massachusetts has a body in her midst claiming to be a Grand Lodge of Masons, and Louisiana has some two or three *Lodges* claiming also to be Masons; as well might pity and commiseration be extended to both these States on that account, as to New York, because she has a similar body in her midst; the sooner these *irregular* or *spurious* bodies are passed by and left unmentioned the better. The Grand Master recommends that, inasmuch as Pennsylvania (standing alone) refuses to recognize the Grand Lodge of New York, it is necessary for them to take some steps to place Pennsylvania on the same footing.

The following resolution was presented and adopted:

“*Resolved*, That until the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania shall recognize this Grand Lodge, and accord to, and treat her members and constituents with the respect and fraternal courtesy due to all Masons and Masonic bodies, all Masonic intercourse between that Grand Lodge and the Grand Lodge of New York, be and hereby is suspended; and the Subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction are hereby forbidden to permit the visitation of Masons hailing from that State until such recognition shall take place.”

Brother Daniel Ullman made a report in relation to a *Masonic Life Insurance Company*, the profits of which, after paying expenses and a small interest on the capital, to be applied to the establishment and support of an Asylum for the aged and infirm, and disabled brethren, the widow and the orphan; and where the orphans of the Order may be educated and prepared to become useful and independent members of society. The

report is a long one, and enters fully into the plan and probable results; they think it will be profitable, and by that means raise the desired fund. The report was acted upon and a committee of thirty-six persons appointed to take the proper steps to establish the company.

Finley M. King, as Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, made an able and voluminous report, reviewing thirty-three Grand Bodies, Louisiana among the number. Your committee would like to make large extracts from this interesting report, but must forego the pleasure, as we have already drawn pretty copiously from their proceedings.

M. W. John L. Lewis, Jr., was re-elected Grand Master, and R. W. James M. Austin re-elected Grand Secretary.

## NORTH CAROLINA.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina was held in Raleigh, commencing on the 1st of December, 1856, M. W. Pleasant A. Holt, Grand Master. The Grand Master's address contains the following view in which Free Masonry was held in times past, and is held at the present :

"Our Order is gradually approximating her true position before an enlightened public sentiment. The mists of error are gradually disappearing before the rising sun of her brilliancy and glory. The Church no longer regards her as a rival in the affections of her people, but rather an efficient co-laborer in the advancement of her principles, and in the promotion of morality. But a short time has elapsed in our history since the fact being acknowledged, in many communities, of a man's affiliation with Masonry stamped upon him a mark of suspicion. He was regarded as having association with deeds of darkness, if not a close alliance with the Evil One himself. At present it has become a passport to respectability and character, probably in those very locations."

North Carolina, like Arkansas, is engaged in putting up college buildings, and in establishing a Masonic College. They consider their character somewhat at stake in the success or failure of the enterprise. Much of the business of the session was taken up with the interests of the College. Whether success will crown their efforts, or failure will be the result is yet in the womb of time; they have our good wishes, but yet have our fears of the final result. The Grand Lodge regrets the course pur-

sued by the college agents, in taking up subscriptions with Northern merchants, with an agreement to make the Grand Lodge proceedings an advertising medium for their firms, and recommend that every dollar be returned, and this blot upon her escutcheon be erased.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence made a very brief report. They say that the facility for making Masons in some Lodges is so great that often two, three, and even more, are Initiated, Passed and Raised in one night, when no necessity exists for this hot haste, beyond the desire of the applicants. We trust this example will not be followed in many other localities.

M. W. P. A. Holt, was re-elected Grand Master, and R. W. Wm. T. Bain re-elected Grand Secretary.

## NEW JERSEY.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey was held at Trenton, on the 14th of January, 1857. M. W. Daniel Babbott, Grand Master. The Grand Master's address was confined to business of a local character.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence made a report, occupied chiefly on Canada affairs. The State is divided into four Districts, and placed under the care of the first four Grand Officers, each having one District under his especial care during the year.

M. W. Joseph Trimble was elected Grand Master, and R. W. Joseph H. Hough was elected Grand Secretary.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire was held at Concord June 9th and 10th, 1857. M. W. Alfred Greeley, Grand Master.

From the Grand Master's address we learn that no less than five of their past Grand officers have been called from an earthly to a celestial Lodge above during the past year, to-wit: Wm. Bourdman, Timothy Kendrick, Charles F. Grace, Jacob Straw and Henry Hubbard.

The Grand Lodge was addressed by Brother Rob Morris upon the sub-

ject of Free Masonry, and a vote of thanks was tendered to him for his able, instructive and interesting address.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence made a copious and interesting address, covering fifty-four closely printed pages. An approving notice is taken of the address of our Grand Master, and of Relief Lodge. He reviews the proceedings of thirty Grand Lodges. We see nothing in their proceedings which calls for any notice from us.

M. W. George H. Hubbard was elected Grand Master, and R. W. Horace Chase re-elected Grand Secretary.

## NEBRASKA.

We notice by the proceedings of Ohio, that a *New Star* has arisen in the Northwest, in a region where, but yesterday, it was a howling wilderness, inhabited by savages only. Nebraska, on the 16th of September last, formed an independent Grand Lodge; and, though we have no authentic evidence, yet there is no doubt of the fact. We would, therefore, in advance, extend to our brethren of Nebraska the right hand of fellowship, and bid them God speed in their course.

## OHIO.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ohio was held at Zanesville, commencing October 26th, 1857, William B. Dodds, M. W. Grand Master; eighteen Lodges only not represented at the opening of the Grand Lodge—more than two hundred and fifty Lodges represented. The Grand Master's Address was a business document, directed to the interests of his constituency. In speaking of the danger surrounding our Order, the *present popularity of secret societies*, he considers the greatest. He says:

"While but a few years since they were an abomination and stench in the estimation of the public, now nothing can be done without them. Charity, temperance, politics—every public movement must be accomplished by secret organizations; the effect upon our institution he thinks exceedingly unfortunate. It is flooding it with a kind of material not fit for our building, not of the right shape, nor has it the marks of such workmen upon it, as produce specimens, that would come together in one edifice without the aid of metal tools."



He says further, as advice to the Lodges :

"When you make Masons, do it out of raw material, and not from that which has been used for some other purpose, so that when they are finished they may be *all* Mason—head and heart—and not half one thing and half another, and really nothing after all."

"By pursuing this course, you will secure a membership with a whole and undivided allegiance to Masonry, with minds properly imbued with its principles, for they will not be pre-occupied with ideas derived from other institutions, which, if not opposed to, are at least not in harmony with ours."

P. G. Master, L. V. Bierce, presented the Grand Lodge with a *setting maul*, manufactured from the wood of an olive tree, which grew on the *Mount of Olives* in Jerusalem, with hickory handle of American growth, denoting, as he says, the intimate connexion existing between American and ancient Jewish Masonry. It was accepted, and a vote of thanks passed to the donor.

Past Grand Master Reese, presented a lengthy memorial, an obituary notice of Bro. James D. Caldwell, for many years Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge.

Among the Resolutions now in force in the Grand Lodge of Ohio, are the following :

"*Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge is clearly of opinion, that a distinct avowal of a belief of the divine authenticity of the Holy Scriptures should be required of every one, who is admitted to the privileges of Masonry, and that a denial of the same is an offence against the institution, calling for exemplary discipline.

"*Resolved*, That any Brother, conferring the so called side degrees, is in all cases a proper subject of Masonic discipline.

"*Resolved*, As the sense of the Grand Lodge, that the term *Past Master*, as used in Article 12 of the Constitution, properly applies to all who have received that degree in a legal manner, whether conferred under authority of a Royal Arch Chapter, or by a convocation of Past Masters."

It is not the intention of this Committee to discuss the question involved in the first and last resolutions copied above, but to dissent from them. We conceive that the adoption of the first is contrary to the teachings of the order from time immemorial. Masonry requires all its votaries to profess their belief in one only living and true God, and upon that platform we can all meet.

As to the last, we believe the resolution of this Grand Lodge upon that subject is correct.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented and partially read, when the further reading was dispensed with and the manuscript placed in the hands of the Grand Master and Grand Secretary, as a Committee to cause the report to be published with the proceedings of the Grand Lodge. Brother P. G. M. Bierce, was Chairman of the Committee. It is one of the *best* and most instructive reports that it has been our good fortune to peruse, and should be glad to lay before our Grand Lodge copious extracts. We object, however, to the strictures upon our Grand Lodge, as follows :

"This delicacy in calling things by their right names is most apparent in the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana. One of their resolutions declares : 'That the practice of suspending members from the privileges of Masonry for the non-payment of dues, in a summary manner, and without the formality of trial required by the sections of Article Eleven of the Constitution, is improper and unconstitutional :—That the Constituent Lodges may strike off from the roll of their members any brother who shall fail or neglect to pay his regular dues and contributions to his Lodge during a time to be fixed by said Lodge.' "

They say :

"Now your Committee think this is straining at a gnat, and swallowing a camel. Unconstitutional to suspend, but the Lodges may strike off from the roll of members."

They then quote the following standing resolution of ours :

"That no Master Mason who shall live in the vicinity of a Lodge under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, for the space of one year, and is able to pay the necessary and usual fees and contributions required by the Constitution and By-Laws of said Lodge, and shall fail or neglect to affiliate himself or apply to affiliate himself with such Lodge, *unless a member in good standing of a Lodge under some other jurisdiction*, shall be allowed to visit any Lodge under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, to assist at any of the public ceremonies and processions of the Order; be entitled to Masonic burial, or receive relief for himself or family from the Charity Fund of the Order."

And then remark :

"Now, if that is not suspension, then there is no meaning in language. It is unconstitutional to suspend a non-affiliated Mason, but perfectly right to debar him from visiting a Lodge, from assisting in any Masonic ceremonies or processions, and deny him Masonic burial or charity."

On reading the above, at first blush, we thought our Grand Lodge might have committed a great inconsistency in their proceedings, but if our

brethren of Ohio will examine the matter a little closer, and a little more charitably, they will not find any inconsistency in our proceedings. There are certain prescribed formalities to be observed in all trials under the eleventh Article of the Constitution, and no member can be suspended or expelled without complying with these formalities; and in the passage quoted, that is what they declare; that it is unconstitutional to suspend for the non-payment of dues *without a trial*; that in all cases a member is entitled to a trial before he can be suspended; when a Lodge has suspended a member, that suspension cannot be removed except by a vote of the Grand Lodge—nor does that restore the suspended member to membership in the Lodge—he can only be restored by a unanimous vote of the Lodge. Now, the object of dropping a member for non-payment of dues, instead of suspending, is, that it may be done in a summary manner, and that he may be restored also in a summary manner, when his dues are paid without the intervention of the Grand Lodge. And a further object is, that his Masonic standing may not be impaired; he is still a Mason in good standing, but if suspended he loses all Masonic rights. Nor does your Committee see that the standing resolution affects the case, for that has reference only to non-affiliated Masons.

We suppose from the following standing resolution, now in force in the Grand Lodge of Ohio, that no action of their Grand Lodge is necessary to restore an expelled or suspended Mason:

“*Resolved*, That in the opinion of this Grand Lodge, a subordinate Lodge which has expelled one of its members, has the power, if they deem it proper, and upon good cause shewn, to remove said sentence of expulsion, and restore the expelled one to membership.”

They have also taken us to task for the resolution in regard to ceasing all correspondence with any Grand Lodge authorizing Masonic intercourse with Negroes. They view it in the light of a *threat*, and that is unbecoming any Grand Lodge.

M. W. Benj. F. Smith was elected Grand Master, and John D. Caldwell re-elected Grand Secretary.

Since writing the above, your Committee have received the Proceedings of Ohio, at its annual communication of October 20th, 1857, held in Massillon, R. W. Meredith D. Brock, Deputy Grand Master, presiding.

The M. W. Grand Master, B. F. Smith, sent his address, from which we learn that he has been absent from the State about half the year. We also learn, that the Grand Lodge of Ohio, during the past year, has

been making strenuous efforts to obtain a uniformity of work. The D. D. Grand Masters, six in number, met in Columbus, and spent twelve days in acquiring an exact uniformity, and as near an approach to the work of "olden times" as possible. It was then rehearsed before the G. Master and P. G. Master W. B. Thrall, and which met their approval. It was approved at this session of the Grand Lodge, and adopted as the work of the Grand Lodge of Ohio.

There was a large amount of business transacted at this session of the Grand Lodge, but none that calls for any special notice at our hands. At the commencement of the Grand Lodge they were in possession of a fund of about \$8,000, but their expenses had so far exceeded their income, that at the close of the session, it was reduced to an amount less than \$2,000. The minimum fees for degrees was raised from \$15 to \$20. G. R. Morton, from a Select Committee, made a report on the death of P. D. G. Master David Spangler.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, Wm. B. Thrall and G. R. Morton, made a full and very able report, with a number of resolutions, the reading of which was made the special order of the day for Thursday. It was then called up and the reading commenced, when the further reading was dispensed with, and it ordered to be printed in an appendix to the printed proceedings, and the resolutions appended thereto referred to the Committee of Ways and Means, to report at the next Annual Grand Communication. The Committee reviewed the proceedings of thirty-three Grand Lodges out of thirty-four, Oregon being the only one not before them. This is the largest number we recollect ever to have noticed.

The labor of preparing the report was divided between the two members of the Committee; they gave a full and thorough report of the proceedings of the Grand Bodies before them, comprising fifty closely printed pages, with small type. We should be glad to make copious extracts from this Report, but time and space forbid—we shall, however, trespass so far, as to copy what they say of our Relief Lodge, embracing the resolutions appended:

"A peculiar feature in the operations of our brethren in Louisiana is exhibited in the existence of the "Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1," a Lodge chartered in 1854 by the supreme Masonic authority of the State, with its full complement of officers, but expressly prohibited from conferring degrees, or doing any other ceremonial work of Masonry, beyond what may be necessary to assume the character of a Lodge, and exempt from paying Grand Lodge dues, fees or charges, or making any

returns beyond a list of the officers and members, and the Lodges they represent. Its sole office is what its name purports—to grant Masonic relief to necessitous Masons, their widows and orphans; to nurse the sick, and bury the dead. Its seat is in New Orleans; and though but seven of the twenty city Lodges had, at the date of the last report made by the Lodge, contributed to its funds, it had granted during the year ending December 31, 1856, pecuniary relief to the amount of \$1,550.50, besides purchasing a burial place for the dead, and erecting a tomb in Greenwood Cemetery, at an expense of over \$3,500. Of the amount expended for relief to the necessitous, but \$320 was for claimants residing under the jurisdiction of Louisiana; while the remaining \$1,230.50 went to relieve the wants of brethren, and the widows and orphans of brethren hailing from almost every quarter of the world. Fifty-three dollars, we find, was expended in relief of *brethren from Ohio*. None of the funds of this charity are applicable to the relief of the needy craftsmen or their families of the city Lodges; they are provided for by the funds of their own Lodges.

Its rule in "dispensing relief is to furnish assistance to a sick brother, to bury the dead, and relieve those widows and orphans among them whose antecedents they know." Its brotherly love and charity know no limits of country or birth-place, but are as boundless as the domain of Masonry itself. Its funds are derived from contributing Lodges and the donations of charitable individuals. To indulge in any formal or even laudatory eulogy upon a charitable organization like this, or that of our brethren in San Francisco, your committee deem would be a work of supererogation. The Grand Lodge of Connecticut, "desirous of testifying her appreciation of the fraternal affection manifested by said Relief Lodge, in exemplifying the beautiful principles of Free Masonry," "in alleviating the sufferings of sick and dying brother Masons" from Lodges under her jurisdiction, not only tenders her "cordial and hearty thanks" to the brethren of "Relief" but appropriates the sum of one hundred dollars and asks its acceptance by Relief Lodge "as a slight token of their sympathy in the sacred charity" in which they are engaged. The Grand Lodge of Texas requests the brethren of Relief Lodge to report to their Grand Secretary "the names of those to whom relief may be granted, and the amounts expended, whenever the applicant may hail from that jurisdiction." Your committee feel that they are but giving expression to the sentiments of the craft in Ohio, in urging upon this Grand Lodge, while sister Grand Lodges are giving solid proofs of their approval, to "go and do likewise." A debt is due from your Grand Body to this noble charity, and your committee can not doubt its prompt payment, nor that this Grand Lodge will extend to the New Orleans charity the aid they ask for, by carrying out the suggestions embodied in the subjoined extract from the report of their W. M. He complains of a difficulty growing out of "the neglect of many Grand Lodges, to publish with their proceedings a list of members. Did they publish such a list, and at once forward a copy to the Grand Secretary, means would be afforded for at once detecting many impostors. As it is, several instances have occurred during the past year, in which, by a reference to the published returns, impostors have been detected and sent

about their business. In others, parties applying for relief have been located in Lodges, where a list of members has not been published by their Grand Lodge, and have been relieved, but whom it was afterward discovered were impostors. Another benefit from the publication would be, that a communication could then be addressed to the Lodge, and the correctness of the statements of the applicants ascertained." "During the past year," continues Bro. Fellows, "out of the large sums granted on the promise of a return so soon as the recipient reached his home, but three responses, accompanied by the money lent (some \$40), have been received." Such Masons, we trust, for the credit of Ohio, do not hail from us. In dwelling so much at length on this topic of the New Orleans charity, your committee wish to be understood that they are at the same time urging the claims of the San Francisco charity equally upon your attention. Both are alike in their objects; both are equally deserving of our warmest appreciation as Masons and as men, and whatever in our action will promote the views of the one will be equally advantageous to the other.

Your committee report resolutions in accordance with the views and suggestions they have expressed :

*"Resolved, That the systematic and well-devised plans, adopted by the brethren of "Relief Lodge, No. 1," of New Orleans, and of the "Masonic Board of Relief," of San Francisco, in performing their "deeds of charity and pure beneficence," are eminently deserving the sympathy and cordial co-operation, not only of this Grand Lodge, but of the whole fraternity.*

*"Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of Ohio, in grateful appreciation of the kindness and assistance bestowed upon sick and destitute brethren of this jurisdiction, by the Relief Lodge, No. 1, of New Orleans, and as a small token of sympathy in its aims and purposes, hereby appropriates and directs to be transmitted to the presiding officer of that body, for the use of such charity, the sum of one hundred dollars.*

*"Resolved, That in furtherance of the wishes and request of both these Masonic charities, in all future printed proceedings of this Grand Lodge, the names of all the members of Subordinate Lodges be inserted, and duplicate copies of the same be immediately forwarded thereto.*

*"Resolved, That the Secretaries of each of these Associations be requested to forward to the Grand Secretary of this Grand Lodge, the names of all Masons hailing from this jurisdiction to whom relief may be rendered, together with the names of the Lodge of which they claim to be members, the date of the aid rendered and the amount granted; and that in all cases, the Lodge to which the relieved brother belongs shall be notified of the fact by the Grand Secretary, and be held responsible to the Charity for the amount so bestowed."*

These resolutions lie over until their next Grand Communication.

A resolution was passed recommending to the Subordinate Lodges, on

the death of a member leaving a widow, to furnish her with a certificate of the membership of her husband.

A select committee was appointed at the last Annual Communication to prepare a *Code of Masonic Jurisprudence*, and report at this Communication; which was done, and ordered to be printed with the proceedings, and to be acted upon at the meeting in 1858. We approve of the plan, and think something of the kind is needed in our jurisdiction, for the benefit of the Subordinate Lodges.

M. W. Horace M. Stokes, was elected Grand Master; and R. W. John D. Caldwell, was re-elected Grand Secretary.

## OREGON.

The Grand Lodge of Oregon held their last Annual Communication at Salem, beginning June 8th, 1857—M. W. A. M. Belt, Grand Master. Twelve Lodges represented, it being all the Chartered Lodges under the jurisdiction; two of them are in Washington Territory.

The Grand Master in his address congratulated the Grand Lodge upon the condition of the craft; says that now peace, harmony, and prosperity, prevail among the brethren; cautions them to guard the portals, and recommends some stringent rules on the subject of intemperance.

The Grand Lodge are engaged in obtaining a fund to be set apart for the purpose of education, and have already a fund of near three thousand dollars, and which is rapidly accumulating.

The following are among their standing resolutions:

*“Resolved, That intemperance in the use of intoxicating drinks is an infraction of Masonic obligation, and is a good and legitimate cause for discipline, and should be punished as other offences.*

*“Resolved, That in the opinion of this Grand Lodge, any member under this jurisdiction, who is now, or may hereafter be, engaged in the retail sale and traffic of intoxicating liquors, shall be liable to strict Masonic discipline; and it shall be made the imperative duty of the Worshipful Master of each Subordinate Lodge under this jurisdiction, to present to his Lodge any brother culpable in this particular; and if found guilty, cause him to receive such punishment as is usually inflicted on members for violating its edict in regard to its use.”*

If the *retailing* is a proper subject for discipline, why not selling it *wholesale*; if selling a small quantity is a proper subject for discipline,

why should he who sold in large quantities escape ; either erase the resolution, or erase the word *retail* from it.

The Grand Lodge presented to R. W. Benjamin Stark, a beautiful gold P. G. Secretary's Jewel, for his faithful gratuitous services as Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge, from 1851 to 1856.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence made an interesting report closing by an excellent song, composed by our gifted brother, Rob Morris, of Kentucky, entitled, "We meet upon the Level, and we part upon the Square."

M. W. Benjamin Stark was elected Grand Master, and Wm. S. Caldwell re-elected Grand Secretary.

## PENNSYLVANIA.

We have before us a pamphlet containing the election of the Grand Officers for the year 1857 ; Report of the Board of Almoners of the Grand Charity Fund ; Installation of the Grand Officers ; Address of M. W. Peter Williamson, Grand Master ; appointment of the D. D. Grand Masters, as well as all other officers, below the Grand Secretary ; Committees, etc. ; Report of the Committee of Finance ; Report of Grand Secretary ; Report of the Stephen Girard Charity Fund, and the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, which is so much more than we have heretofore received from that source, that we feel thankful for that much. It gives us a pretty good insight of what is going on in that jurisdiction, at least financially. We hope another year they will favor us with their proceedings in full.

In the address of the Grand Master, he speaks of the condition of Masonry in that jurisdiction flatteringly. He says :

"The benign spirit of Free Masonry seems to have presided over our conduct, and influenced our actions. The voice of discord and confusion has not been heard within our borders ; from almost every portion of our extended jurisdiction has come up the cheering intelligence that our labors have been blessed, and our Lodges prospering."

A large portion of his report is taken up in giving a detailed account of the grand visitations of the Grand Master. He speaks with just pride of their new Temple, and thinks within a few years all the loans will be



paid, and the Temple out of debt. The full receipts amount to \$35,000, \$10,000 of which is derived from the rent of the basement of the Masonic Temple.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, through brother Lucius H. Scott, reported in part only. The principal part of the report was occupied with their differences with New York. They justify their refusal to hold fraternal correspondence upon the ground of acting with impartiality with both Grand Lodges, acknowledging neither, or also acknowledging both. What her final action may be, remains to be seen.

### RHODE ISLAND.

We have before us the proceedings of the Centennial Celebration of St. John's Lodge No. 2, at Providence, Rhode Island, on the 24th of June, 1857. Great preparations were made for this 100th anniversary, invitations were extended to all the Grand Lodges contiguous, and to a large number of Lodges, Chapters and Encampments; they were joined in this celebration by the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island. An address was delivered by G. M. Randall, D. D., P. G. Master of Massachusetts. A Poem by Charles C. Vanzandt, Esq. Order of procession; sentiments at the dinner, with other matters of interest.

The address was full of interesting matter to the brethren of St. John's Lodge; it contained an account of the rise and progress of the Lodge for a hundred years, with its seasons of prosperity, as well as of adversity, and of the times of *persecution* of the Order; all of which are of interest to that locality, none of which, however, is of special interest to the craft abroad, except, perhaps, the persecutions to which they were subjected by political anti-Masonry from 1829 to 1834. Those who have joined the Order since that time, and indeed Masons in the Southern States, know but little of the persecutions to which Masons were subjected during that period in New York, and the New England States. It was a time that tried a Mason's faith, and made many strong men quail before the blast; many apostatised and joined the ranks of the enemy. Rhode Island, it seems, from this address, had her full share to endure. The Legislature, in 1831, appointed a committee to investigate the grounds and extent of charges brought against Free Masonry and Free Masons in that State.

This committee, in a report of two hundred and twenty pages, fully exonerated Masonry from the criminal charges brought against it, but recommended the discontinuance of the institution. The Grand Lodge, in August of that year, (1832) declined disbanding, and passed resolutions to that effect, declaring at the same time that it is not Masonry they are contending against—that was a mere pretext—*political power* was their object.

In 1833 the anti-Masons presented a memorial to the Legislature to take away the charters of the Masonic institutions in this State. The Grand Lodge appeared before them by counsel. St. John's Lodge also appeared by a committee. Ten days the battle was waged before that body, when the Legislature repealed six charters, leaving sixteen unrepealed, and passed a law forbidding extra judicial oaths. The Grand Lodge at last yielded to the blast, and, in 1834, resolved to surrender their charter, and recommended to the subordinates to do the same. St. John's Lodge, during all this time of severe trial, stood firm in her integrity. She passed the following resolution :

*“Resolved, That it be considered very disreputable for any individual member of this Lodge to express a wish, or speak in any way favorable of giving up our rights of charter.”*

In answer to the recommendation of the Grand Lodge to surrender their charter, they use the following language : “ We respect the opinions of the Grand Lodge, but we also respect ourselves, and a proper degree of self-respect prompts us to refuse to surrender what we have not forfeited.” The precise language was :

“ The State has given us a charter *in perpetui*; if they want it, let them come and take it ; we will not, like cringing criminals, carry it to them.”

The Legislature did not come after it, and it is still in the Lodge. Long may it continue there.

Among the apostates, were four of the clergy. Lorenzo Dow, a preacher of world-wide fame, and quite eccentric, was an ardent Mason. Speaking of those apostate clergy, in an address before a Lodge in Pawtucket, he said :

“ If these men die the death of common men, I shall be tempted to lessen my confidence in a *Divine Providence*.”

Three weeks after, one hanged himself; and about three months after,

the other three committed a crime for which they were degraded from the ministry, and one excluded from the pale of decent society.

We have taken these extracts and facts from this address to show the public persecutions of Masons and Masonry of that day ; but the public persecutions were as nothing in comparison with what they were made to feel in private life. To be a Mason, was, by a large proportion of the public, to be suspected as one who would not hesitate to commit any crime, even to *murder*, if the Order required it. They were considered unfit to sit upon a jury, or to be trusted in any position in which their duty, and their duty to the Order might, by any possibility, conflict. Thanks to an over-ruling Providence, that time is past, we trust, never to return.

A glowing description of the procession and feast is given. About 1300 Masons sat down to the table. A copy of the charter of the date of 1757 is given, one requisition of which is:

“That they annually keep, or cause to be kept, the Feast of St. John the Baptist, and dine together on that day, or near that day, as shall be judged most convenient.”

## SOUTH CAROLINA.

From South Carolina we have received the report of a Committee appointed to revise the Constitution, for the purpose of—

1st—Enabling the Country Lodges to be represented in the Grand Lodge on equal terms with the City Lodges, and to pay a delegate from each Lodge for his attendance.

2d—To equalize taxation.

3d—To produce a uniformity of work. And,

4th—To relieve the Grand Secretary.

## TENNESSEE.

The last Annual Communication received by us of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee, was held in the city of Nashville, beginning the 6th of October, 1856—M. W. John T. Dashiell, Grand Master.

In his address, he speaks of the destruction of the Grand Lodge Hall

by fire; happily all the valuable papers and jewels were saved. Announces the death of Past Grand Master Thomas Claiborne, who was the first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee, elected October, 1813.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence presented a report, reviewing the proceedings of thirty Grand Lodges. Of Louisiana they say :

“The Grand Lodge owns property in the city of New Orleans, called the Grand Lodge Hall, the income from which, as soon as its present indebtedness is extinguished, is to be devoted exclusively to purposes of charity. Our brethren of Louisiana, by this noble consecration of their efforts and labors, have erected a monument more durable than brass or marble; and in after years, when these generous hearted brethren shall have gone to their last earthly resting place, the prayers of the widow and the orphan will hover around the memory of the illustrious founders of this munificent charity. May heaven prosper them in all their laudable undertakings.”

We have copied this tribute of our Tennessee brethren (and we might have copied from others) to show in what estimation this enterprise is held abroad. We trust their and our anticipations will be fully realized.

M. W. Thomas McCulloch, elected Grand Master, Charles A. Fuller, re-elected Grand Secretary.

## TEXAS.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Texas was held at Palestine, commencing on the 19th January, A. D., 1857—M. W. F. Sexton, Grand Master.

The M. W. Grand Master delivered an address, from which we copy the following.

“Whatever may be said of Masonry in the past, or whatever may be its future fate, we know, that in Texas, it has put out the fire of discord—dried up the tears of distress—given food and clothing to the hungry and destitute—encouraged the fatherless—cleared up the gloom from the pathway of struggling merit, and kept back the maddening torrent of passion, which would precipitate man in deadly conflict with his fellow man. While it can do these things, *if no more*, it is worth preserving, and we should deem the time well spent, which we devote to its support and perpetuation.”

Three Past Grand Masters have passed from time to eternity during the past year.

There is much of interest, and much to instruct, in this admirable address of Grand Master Sexton ; but, is mostly directed to his own constituency.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is from the pen of Wm. Steadman, Chairman, and is a review of twenty Grand Lodges, Louisiana included. It is a lengthy and ably written document ; treats of many subjects of interest ; seconds the views of the Grand Master upon subjects of the Great Light of Masonry, and the importance of making the belief of the Divine authenticity of the Holy Scriptures a pre-requisite with a candidate, as one of the qualifications necessary to be admitted into the Order. The Committee offered a resolution as follows .

*“Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of Texas declares, that a distinct avowal of a belief in the Divine authenticity of the Holy Scriptures, is an indispensable pre-requisite to Masonic admission in all Christian countries : and that it shall not be lawful for any constituent Lodge within this jurisdiction, to initiate, pass, or raise a person who does not entertain that belief.”*

Which resolution was referred to the Committee on the Grand Officer's reports. This Committee made a report disagreeing somewhat from the conclusions of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence and the Grand Master, and at the conclusion of their report offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted :

*“Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of Texas declares, that a belief in the Divine authenticity of the Holy Scriptures is an indispensable pre-requisite to Masonic admission : and that the Grand Lodge does not mean to exclude the *Israelite*, whom it does not regard as being disqualified for the mysteries of Free Masonry.”*

We fear that the agitation of this question, by the different Grand Lodges, will be productive of much injury to the cause of Masonry—there can be no necessity for it, for we are instructed at the very threshold that Masonry requires a belief in *God*, and that the *Christian, Jew, Mahomedan*, and all others who hold to that belief, can be admitted. The universality of Masonry has always been considered one of its lawful boasts, yea, one of its crowning glories ; that wherever a human, intelligent being was found who believed in the existence of an only living and

true God, and had other proper qualifications, he was a proper subject for our mysteries.

M. W. Wm. Steadman was elected Grand Master, and A. S. Ruthven, was re-elected Grand Secretary.

## VERMONT.

The Annual Communication of Vermont was held at Burlington, commencing on the 14th January, A. D., 1857 — M. W. Philip C. Tucker, Grand Master.

The Grand Master's address is mostly taken up in a masterly defence of the action of the Grand Lodge of Canada, and its right to admission among independent Grand Lodges.

Brother Davenport, as Chairman, made the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. It is an interesting one throughout; they have examined the proceedings of twenty-seven Grand Lodges, and treated the several subjects in a frank and judicious manner.

Their proceedings contain some reminiscences of Anthony Haswell, an aged Mason, who was made a member in 1805, and is still a warm and zealous Mason. The reminiscences are very interesting, including the period of the persecutions by Anti-Masons.

P. C. Tucker was re-elected Grand Master, and J. B. Hollenbeck, re-elected Grand Secretary.

## VIRGINIA.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Virginia was held at the city of Richmond, beginning the 8th day of December, 1856—M. W. James A. Leitch, Grand Master.

The Grand Master's address is an interesting document, containing much wholesome advice to those under his care.

In his visitation to the Lodges, he says he has found one error to prevail extensively, and which ought to be corrected—alluding to the practice of hurrying the candidates through the degrees in hot haste. Another

error is the initiating two or more candidates at one and the same time, and by the same ceremony. Another error is the practice of conferring degrees on credit; and he recommends that these be guarded against by the Grand Lodge. The Committee on the Grand Master's Address applies the corrective by a series of suitable resolutions. The only wonder is that it had not been done long since.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence made a short report, giving however the entire proceedings of the Universal Masonic Congress, held at Paris in the year 1855, in the month of June, at the call of Prince Lucien Murat, Grand Master of the Orient of France. Virginia being represented at the said Congress, in the person of brother Dinwiddie B. Phillips.

M. W. John S. Caldwell, elected Grand Master, and R. W. John Dove, of course, Grand Secretary.

### WISCONSIN.

We have before us the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin for the years 1856 and 1857, holden in June of each year. In the proceedings of the year 1857, held on the 10th June at Milwaukee, M. W. Henry S. Baird, was Grand Master.

In the Grand Master's address, he congratulates them that Masonry keeps pace with the advance of their State in population; that as towns and villages spring up, Masonic Lodges tread closely upon their heels, diffusing the benign and peaceful principles of the Order. The Grand Lodge of Wisconsin recently adopted the D. D. Grand Master's system, but at this communication have abandoned it, and in place, have appointed a Grand Lecturer for the State.

Henry S. Baird was re-elected Grand Master, and Wm. R. Smith, was re-elected Grand Secretary.

### SCOTLAND.

We have a pamphlet before us containing proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, called the Annual Circular for 1857; Grand Officers elected 1st December, 1856.

The Most Noble George Augustus Frederick John, Duke of Athole, K. T., Grand Master. In addition to the usual officers in American Lodges they have a substitute Grand Master, Grand Clerk, Grand Archi-

tect, Grand Jeweler, Grand Bible Bearer, twenty-one Provincial Grand Masters in Scotland, and thirteen abroad.

It contains an account of the burial of the *Earl of Fife*, Past Grand Master, on the 19th March, 1857.

An account of the celebration of the 799th Anniversary of the Lodge of St. John, Glasgow.

An account of laying a foundation stone of the Court House, Market House and Railway Station in Airdrie, with Masonic honors.

The funeral of William Lockhart, Past Grand Master.

Laying the foundation stone of the New Corn Exchange, Bathgate.

Laying the foundation stone of the Great Hall of the Chambers Institution. This appeared to be the great event of the year, and from the description given, the erection of the building is one of great importance. It is to be erected in the town of Peebles, for a public library, and reading room, to be open to strangers as well as citizens, erected and supplied by the munificence of William Chambers.

The report of the financial affairs of the Grand Lodge, comes next; and lastly, a plan to erect or enlarge the Grand Lodge Hall in Edinburgh, closes the proceedings.

## FRANCE.

We have before us the *Masonic Calendar* of the Grand Orient of France, and the French possessions, for the year 1857.

As it purports, it contains the *name* and *title* of all the Officers of the different Orders or Degrees. The Grand Orient claims and exercises jurisdiction over all Masons, of whatever degree.

It contains copious extracts of the Constitution and Edicts of the Order.

Prince Lucien Murat is Grand Master, and *ex officio* the first officer in all the higher Orders. Le F.: Claude, Secretary General.

It contains a *Tableau General* of all the Lodges, and Grand Lodges, and all other Masonic bodies in correspondence with the Grand Orient of France.

They mention in the United States the following Grand Lodges, as in fraternal correspondence with them :



"District of Columbia, California, North Carolina, Georgia, New York, Maryland, Michigan, Ohio, Mississippi, Pennsylvania, Vermont, Virginia, Texas, and Louisiana.

"Also—Sup. Cons. pour la Jurisdiction Sud des Etats Unis d'Amerique, O. de Charleston.

"Sov. G. Command. le F. John H. Honor.

"Lieut. G. Command. le F. Charles Furman; Grand Secretary, le V. F. Albert G. Mackey.

"Garant d'amitié du Sup. Con. pris le G. O. de France, le F.

"Garant d'amitié du G. O. du France, le Sup. Cons. le F.

"STATE OF LOUISIANA—NEW ORLEANS—Grand Lodge of Masons, Free and Accepted, of the York Rite, for Louisiana, Orient at New Orleans.

"W. M. Perkins, Grand Master.

"Lewis Texada, D. G. Master.

"Garant d'amitié de la Grand Lodge pur le G. O. de France, le F. Samuel G. Risk, Grand Secretary. The Grand Lodge Hall, corner of Perdido and St. Charles streets."

From the foregoing, the Grand Orient of France is in friendly and fraternal correspondence with twelve Grand Lodges, including Louisiana, and with the Supreme Grand Council, 33d and last degree, Southern Jurisdiction, Grand East at Charleston.

The principal object we have in presenting the Supreme Grand Council and Grand Lodge of Louisiana in full, is to show that the Grand Orient of France acknowledges them, is in fraternal relations with them, while no mention is made of a Supreme Council at New Orleans; and yet a "New Orleans Supreme Council" profess to have received their authority from that source, and to be in fraternal relations with them. Before dismissing France, it is well to bring to the notice of this Grand Lodge the meeting of the Universal Masonic Congress, called by Lucien Murat, Grand Master of the Order in France, at Paris, on the 8th of June, 1857.

This Grand Lodge, through our M. W. Grand Master, W. M. Perkins, had official notice direct, of the meeting, and replied thereto, but, from the short notice, it was impossible to get a delegate there. We find the proceedings copied into a considerable number of the Grand Lodge proceedings of other States, but it is not our intention to cumber our pages with the whole proceedings, but to present a series of resolutions as the result of this meeting. The Congress was in session a week; many speeches made, and compliments passed. The United States appear to have been represented by brother Parker Cummings, of the District of Columbia,

and Dinwiddie B. Phillips, of Virginia. A Feast, or Banquet, was had, and all the toasts and replies given, etc. The following resolutions were passed, as the result of their meeting, which are to be submitted to the Masonic world :

1. This Congress will only submit such measures, few in number, as bear the character of evident utility ; are clearly defined, and, in all cases, manifest the greatest respect for the accepted and internal customs of each country.

2. It is proposed to all Grand Lodges on the globe, that no diploma shall be given to a brother who has not attained the degree of Master Mason.

3. The adoption of a standard form of diplomas is proposed to all Masonic authorities. The diploma to be in Latin, with a translation in the national language ; and to have also a testamentary formula, setting forth the desire of the recipient, that, after his death, it may be returned to the Lodge from which it emanated.

4. A permanent Commission of five members is hereby constituted. The Commission shall have its seat in Paris, in the Temple of the Grand Orient. It is charged with the duty of forwarding to the various Masonic authorities the propositions and publications of the Congress, to keep up its correspondence, to receive all letters, communications or propositions, emanating from Grand Orients or Grand Lodges, or from individual Masons, desirous of offering the fruits of their meditations to the Congress ; in a word, all that may be deemed useful in forwarding its labors. And, finally, they are to fix the time and place for the next meeting of the Congress.

The committee is composed of the following illustrious brethren—Chevalier De Rosenthal, for the Netherlands ; Count Donoughmore, for England ; John Dove, for the United States ; Heullant and Razy, for France. In case of the inability of any of the above named brethren to serve, the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge or Grand Orient to which he may belong, will designate his substitute.

5. Masonic authorities are in future to abandon the practice of constituting Lodges in countries where Masonic powers already exist. Authorities having Lodges in the territories of other powers should consent to their Lodges passing under the actual authority of the Grand Lodge having jurisdiction over the territory where they are located. The Lodges are to be left to their own discretion, and the authorities of the countries where they are located should treat them with fraternal consideration.

6. Before proceeding to the initiation of a non-resident, inquiries shall be made of the authorities of the country to which the candidate owes allegiance, except in well authenticated cases of emergency.

7. Masters of Lodges, in conferring the degree of Master Mason, should invest the candidate with the words, signs and grips of the Scottish and Modern Rites.

8. This meeting, considering the apron as the symbol of labor, that it has always been an important symbol of Masonry, that it is in general use, proposes to decide, that, in all Masonic assemblies, the apron is indispensable.

9. Convinced of the great utility of a regular and uninterrupted correspondence between the various Masonic powers, the Congress invites all Masonic authorities regularly to exchange copies of their printed proceedings.

10. The Congress insists upon the necessity of certain central points in each country, for the reception of correspondence, whence it could be diffused throughout the jurisdiction.

These comprise the points upon which the Congress desire the sanction and co-operation of all independent Grand Bodies of Masons throughout the world.

## CANADA.

We have received the proceedings of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Canada West, and of the Ancient Grand Lodge of Canada, commencing with the Provincial Grand Lodge proceedings, 20th of May, 1856, and ending with the proceedings of the body calling themselves the Ancient Grand Lodge of Canada. Among the proceedings of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Canada West on the 21st of May, was the following resolution :

*"Resolved, That the Lodges and individual brethren under this jurisdiction, are hereby forbidden to hold any Masonic intercourse with the self-styled Grand Lodge of Canada, or any Lodge, or any individual, having any connection therewith."*

They instructed the Board of General Purposes to issue a circular, to state the true position of affairs, both with regard to the Provincial Grand Lodge and the Grand Lodge of Canada; which circular we have long since read; also a petition for relief from their present grievances to the Grand Lodge of England.

On the 23d October, 1856, the Provincial Grand Lodge met again, when several communications which had passed between the Provincial

Grand Lodge and the Grand Lodge of England, were read ; and several resolutions passed, complaining of, and disapproving, the course of the Grand Lodge of England towards them. Among the resolutions is the following :

*"Resolved, That this Provincial Grand Lodge desires to express in the strongest terms, their disapproval of the unjust and uncourteous treatment which they have experienced from the hands of the M. W. Grand Master of England," etc.*

And again :

*"Resolved, unanimously, That this Provincial Grand Lodge has been deeply pained, that the Grand Master of England should have received in such a manner the constitutional conduct which the Provincial Grand Lodge has pursued throughout their difficulties and grievances," etc.*

In another resolution they say, that they imagined that they were paying the Grand Master of England the highest compliment, and which was by him spurned ; they now present a petition to the Grand Lodge, etc. These short extracts show the feelings of the Provincial Grand Lodge, and the manner in which they have been treated by the Grand Master of England.

At a meeting on the 8th of January, the Deputy Grand Master informs them, that the Grand Lodge of England has not granted the prayer of their memorial, nor did it seem likely that they would, from the tenor of the correspondence with the Grand Secretary of England, or that there was any hopes of justice at their hands. At this meeting the resolution forbidding communication with the Grand Lodge of Canada was rescinded. They also conclude as follows :

*"Resolved, That with unfeigned grief, this Provincial Grand Lodge, in fidelity to the Order within this Province, is constrained to declare that separate organization is necessary for the efficiency and stability of Free Masonry in Canada.*

*"Resolved, That on the confirmation of the foregoing resolution, (at the next ensuing meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge,) this Grand Lodge shall declare itself an independent Grand Lodge, all warrants from the Grand Lodge of England being returned thereto.*

*"Resolved, That the interests of Masonry require that proper amity should be maintained and restored throughout the Province."*

And another, that a committee be appointed to take such measures as may be necessary to effect a union with the Grand Lodge of Canada.

A special meeting was called on the 9th of September, 1857, when the report of the committee to effect a union was received. This committee was met by a committee on the part of the Grand Lodge of Canada; articles of union were prepared by the committee on the part of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Canada West; these were amended by the committee of the Grand Lodge of Canada; a meeting and a debate ensued; finally, ended in a disagreement on the terms in which the Provincial Grand Lodge should be received and united with the Grand Lodge of Canada. The Provincial Grand Lodge required that there should be a *fusion*, and the Grand Lodge of Canada, that there should be an *amalgamation*, or the Provincial Grand Lodge and its constituents come in and take numbers according to the date of their warrants heretofore. On the receipt of the report of the committee, the Provincial Grand Master said:

"The Prov. Grand Lodge of Canada West, having now declared its independence, I, as the Representative of the M. W. the Grand Master of England, now direct and require, that every Master or Delegate holding any Warrant of a Lodge from the Grand Lodge of England, do now return the same to me, in accordance with the suggestion of the Grand Master of England, contained in his address to the Grand Lodge, on the 4th of March last."

Whereupon, thirty-eight Lodges handed to him their Warrants; after which, it was unanimously resolved, that they now form a new Grand Lodge, under the title of "*Ancient Grand Lodge of Canada.*"

Sir Allan Macnab, was elected M. W. Grand Master, and Francis Richardson, Grand Secretary. A Constitution and Regulations adopted, and a Farewell Address sent to the Grand Lodge of England.

Thus we see that the Grand Lodge of Canada, in declaring its independence, was only adopting a necessity; for the Prov. Grand Lodge, who forbid intercourse with the said Grand Lodge for her action, have been compelled to pursue the same course, after repeated efforts to obtain redress. Your Committee have deemed it their duty to present the action of this Grand Body for your information, but not with a view to any action at this present time. They indulge a hope that a perfect union will be formed of all Masonic bodies in Canada, before another meeting of the Grand Lodge. At the same time we believe we should no longer delay an acknowledgement of the independence of the "*Grand Lodge of Canada.*"

## NATIONAL OR GENERAL GRAND LODGE.

After your Committee had finished their review of the proceedings of the various Grand Bodies before them, they received from the Grand Secretary a *Circular* from a Committee appointed by the Grand Lodge of Maine (to which we alluded in a former part of this Report) recommending at this time action, to form a General Grand Lodge, and suggesting *Chicago*, as the proper place of meeting,—the time September, 1859—when the General Grand Chapter and General Grand Encampment will be in session at that place. The circular is well conceived, and urges strongly the importance of the measure. Your Committee have their opinions upon this project—but will waive any expression of opinion, as they conceive the circular and its contents a proper subject to be presented directly to the Grand Lodge, or through the address of the Grand Master, and if deemed proper placed in the hands of a special Committee.

## CONCLUSION.

In this report your Committee have been relieved from presenting any statistical account of our sister Grand Lodges, and we have studiously abstained from doing so. The admirable tables prepared by our Grand Secretary, and printed with the Proceedings, affording all the information upon that subject; they are believed to be the most complete of any published in the United States by any Grand Lodge.

We have said nothing of the prosperity of the Order, because every Grand Master has borne testimony, that the Order is advancing with great rapidity. They have not been so uniform, however, as to its prosperity; some lament the rapid increase of Lodges and members, fearing that the portals are not sufficiently guarded; that too often the unworthy find admittance, and that too low a standard obtains, as qualifications.

The subject of non-affiliated or demitted Masons, and their proper relation to the Order, has been a subject which has been for some time a mooted question. We think there would have been no difficulty in

arriving at a just and unanimous conclusion, if there had not been many Masons impressed with the idea that there was some peculiar privilege, resulting from admission into the Order, of which they could not be deprived, unless, by the rigors of the law, for unmasonic conduct, they might be expelled or suspended from the privileges of the Order. Once a Mason, always a Mason, was the doctrine when the Grand Lodge of Louisiana took action upon this subject, and insisted, that if there were obligations on one side, there were also reciprocal obligations on the other side. There were many who considered it a monstrous doctrine; that we had no power to deprive Masons of their rights; that they, and their widows and orphans, had claims upon the Order, of which they could not be deprived; and, though they had withdrawn their countenance, and support, and influence, the Grand Lodge, or any other power, could not lawfully deprive them of those rights. The Grand Lodge, however, offered resolutions in 1852, and in 1853 presented them to the constituent Lodges for their approval or rejection, substantially the same as the one passed in 1855, and now in force, the 24th Standing Resolution.\* We believe this Grand Lodge was, if not the first, near the first, to move in this matter; and now, we believe, there are but three Grand Lodges who do not substantially agree with this Grand Lodge; indeed, so general is the agreement, that it may be laid down as a fixed rule of action, that, to entitle a Mason to the rights and privileges of the Order, he must be a member of some Lodge, or evince a willingness to become so, by applying (if not affiliated) for affiliation.

On the subject of uniformity of work, there seems to be a desire on all hands to obtain it, and various means have been resorted to, to accomplish this difficult task. Perhaps three-fourths of the Grand Lodges in the United States, have adopted the system of D. D. Grand Masters—some with limited power, and others with almost concurrent power with the Grand Master. Some Grand Lodges have looked to them to disseminate the work and lectures; other Grand Lodges have appointed one or more Grand Lecturers in addition to D. D. Grand Masters.

Five Grand Lodges have adopted a *Permanent Committee on Work*, such as has been adopted in this Grand Lodge.

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\* Embodied in Section 1st, Article 3d of Chapter 3d of our By-Laws and General Regulations, adopted since this Report was written. [Gz. Secy.]

Your Committee will not offer any excuse for the manner in which this report is drawn up. The writer has had full time to examine and select from the mass of matter before him, nor can he claim any exemption from the press of business, but he is frank to acknowledge want of tact or ability to satisfy even himself, much less the Grand Lodge. He is conscious that he might have made better selections, from the vast amount of matter before him, but such as it is, it is offered to the Grand Lodge. It is the *first*, and probably the *last*, report to this Grand Lodge, that he will be called upon as Chairman or Sub-Chairman of the Committee to make; whoever undertakes it, and does justice to himself and the Grand Lodge, will find no easy task.

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## SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT.

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The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, since your present assembling, have received from the Grand Secretary the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, and of the Grand Lodge of Canada. They have examined them with all the attention that limited time and press of business would allow, and find much in them they should be glad to notice, but are compelled to be brief.

### NEBRASKA.

A Convention of all the Lodges in the Territory of Nebraska was called at Omaha City, on the 23d of September, 1857. Three Lodges were represented; they elected R. C. Jordan, of Capitol Lodge, Grand Master; and William Anderson, Grand Secretary.



The Convention was dissolved, and the same day the Grand Lodge convened. Three Lodges represented, when, after adopting a Constitution, By-Laws and Regulations, the Grand Lodge closed to meet again in June next. The Constitution is a good one, except the last part, the ninth article, which gives to the Grand Master the right to make Masons at *sight*, and for that purpose may summon to his assistance such Brethren as he may deem necessary.

We cordially extend to the Grand Lodge of Nebraska the right hand of fellowship, and greet them as an Independent Grand Lodge. May prosperity ever attend them.

### ILLINOIS.

The Grand Lodge of Illinois convened at Springfield, on the sixth of October, 1857—James M. Hibbard, Grand Master, and H. G. Reynolds, Grand Secretary.

There was a large amount of business transacted, interesting only to the Craft of that State. The Grand Master's address shows the rapid progress of the Order in that State—no less than twenty-six Dispensations were granted during the year, and forty new Lodges constituted, and their officers installed, making fifty-six additions in that short space of time. It seems as though the time spoken of had come, when "a nation shall be born in a day."

The Grand Master speaks very disparagingly of Masonic publications, (and, as your Committee conceive, in a very unbecoming manner,) in order to bring the *Ashler*, published in Chicago, into notice. He says of the various publications, that "one good Masonic magazine of known character and ability is worth them all, and I am happy to say that we have such a one now published in our own jurisdiction; I refer to the *Ashler*," etc. Now that is rich. The *Ashler* worth all the other Masonic publications in our land, when there are the *Moore*s, and *Mackey*, *Morris* and *King*, and a host of others, who have a just and deserved world-wide fame in the Masonic world, as brilliant writers and zealous Masons, and who are pouring a flood of light over the land. But the thing is too ridiculous and absurd to think of.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is an able docu-

ment, and treats of various subjects at length, from which we might draw liberally to profit, but shall be compelled to be brief. They had the proceedings of twenty-eight Grand Lodges before them. Louisiana was not of these, and we believe it is the only report which has been before us where she was not of the number reviewed. The Committee of Illinois gives an extended review of the proceedings of the Universal Congress of Masons at Paris. They quote the 7th resolution of that Congress as follows :

"7. Masters of Lodges, in conferring the degree of Master Mason, should invest the candidate with the words, signs, and grips of the Scottish and Modern Rites."

And make the following remarks :

"This would subserve a most valuable purpose, especially to those members of the Fraternity who were about to travel in those countries where these rites are mostly cultivated, as in South America, in some of the West India Islands, and on the continent of Europe; but in the United States, in England, and in the Provinces of the latter, they would not be of any special service. They are not much cultivated here except in the higher degrees, and only to a limited extent as to these. If, however, our information be correct, on the continent of Europe and in South America, the Scottish and Modern Rites predominate, and to a Mason traveling in those countries, it would be quite important to have the words, signs, and grips of the third degree in the rites referred to.

"For these reasons, we think it not improper to approve of the plan, and recommend its adoption wherever it is practicable."

They are decidedly in favor of giving to the Grand Lodge of Canada the right hand of fellowship, and after giving the entire argument of Grand Master Tucker, of Vermont, they close as follows :

"Much as your Committee respect the genius and learning of the eminent men who direct the counsels of the Grand Lodges of Massachusetts, New York and Virginia, still the yearnings of the Masonic heart turn almost instinctively to such master spirits as the profound and erudite Mackey; the genial scholar and masterly writer, French; the courageous and progressive Rob Morris; the famous lecturer, teacher and adviser, Parvin; and the sunny, warm-hearted, eloquent Tucker. No Masons are more conservative than Mackey, French and Parvin; none have more experience than Tucker; none are more thoroughly imbued with the sublime teachings of Masonry than Morris, and none more able to defend or illustrate them. In this instance, hatred of oppression, love of justice, and respect for the level, prompt your Committee to follow where they lead."

The Committee sum up the requisite qualifications that a Master of a Lodge should possess :

- "1. He should be a just man.
  - "2. He should be a pattern of good morals.
  - "3. He should be a benevolent and prudent man.
  - "4. He should be a firm and decided man.
  - "5. He should have the ability and will to enforce obedience.
  - "6. He should have courage to enforce discipline.
  - "7. He should be well versed in laws and usages.
  - "8. He should know the ritual.
  - "9. He should be apt and willing to teach.
  - "10. He should have the character and ability to command respect in the chair.
- "It may be said that few are so qualified. That is true. Then let him be Master who comes the nearest to it."

We copy the concluding remarks of the report with pleasure, and endorse every word of it—extracted from the address of the Grand Master of Virginia :

"In conclusion, my Brethren, standing, as I do, among aged and experienced Brethren, who have borne up the Ark in sunshine and in storm, I feel that any advice I could give, would be the work of supererogation ; yet permit me to admonish you to guard well the avenues of the Temple. In the height of our prosperity and usefulness, the vestibules to our halls will be crowded with those who are anxious to bow at our altars. It is important, then, that we scrutinize well the characters of the applicants. Admit none but the *intelligent* and *worthy*. Be not rash in rejecting, but be *cautious* in receiving. Do not increase your members at the expense of the respectability of your Lodges. Sacrifice nothing that belongs to Masonry for the sake of writing *legion* in your archives. Looking yourselves to the ancient landmarks, see that Brethren are well instructed—that they may trace the ancient lines, and know the value of one degree, before you give them the light of another. Let them become proficient in its true sense, in the inferior degree, and then be admitted to the superior ; and while the chain of knowledge will be visible to their mind's eye, the Lodge will be composed of expert Masons, whose work will stand the test of the *square*."

Harrison Dills was elected Grand Master, and H. G. Reynolds, Grand Secretary.

## CANADA.

We have before us the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Canada, published in a neat form, from its commencement on the 10th of November, 1855, up to and including its annual communication in July, 1857. Great pains have been taken by that Grand Body to perfect their organization; their regulations are excellent; the address of the Grand Master, Wilson, a model one.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is taken up almost exclusively with quotations from other Grand Bodies on Canada affairs, and remarks and arguments predicated thereon. They make a fair and full showing of the difficulties under which they labored before they declared their independence. Your Committee in their report said all they have to say upon the propriety of extending to this Grand Body the right hand of fellowship.

Wm. M. Wilson, in his address in July, declined a re-election, but the Grand Lodge notwithstanding re-elected him unanimously.

## NATIONAL GRAND ORIENT OF PERU.

We have had placed in our hands the following circular, dated June 11, 1857, and addressed to the M. W. Grand Master of our Grand Lodge:

*"Capital of the Republic—Lima, the 21st day of the Masonic month, Sibbam, A. L., 5857, and of the Christian Era, the 11th day of June, 1857.*

*"The Symbolic Lodges, 'Concordia Universal,' installed in the Valley of Callao, and the 'Estrella Polar,' that worked in that of Lima, have been formally expelled from this Grand Orient, and their columns razed in consequence of serious acts of insubordination that have occurred therein, to the extreme of their withdrawing from our dependency, refusing to obey our Statutes and Resolutions, expressing the same openly in the acts of their Assemblies, in communications addressed to this Grand Orient, and in printed papers which have been circulated full of impostures, in which they attribute to themselves powers which Symbolic*

Lodges cannot possess, whose members, exclusively occupied in forming the rough ashler, cannot be capable to dictate the necessary rules to elevate and sustain the Masonic Edifice.

"To this bad conduct has followed other excesses, which makes their crime comparable only to those profane laborers who, on other occasions, have raised the cry of sedition against those who paid them their daily wages, causing serious grievances in their persons and property.

"The Supreme Grand Chamber of Rites, which in this case, in conformity with the Statutes, possesses the powers of the Grand Orient of Peru, has found itself under the disagreeable, but indispensable necessity of adopting the measure above indicated. In consequence, the members of these two Lodges have been declared by us irregular, are now subject to Masonic trial, and are not permitted to take part in our labors, or the mysteries of Masonry.

"I hasten to communicate this to you for the intelligence of the Grand Lodge over which you so most worthily preside, that disowning these bad Masons, a list of whose names will hereafter be communicated, you may contribute, with Masonic zeal to maintain that order and morality which is indispensable to the existence of a society of whatever class it may be.

"I avail myself of this opportunity to offer you my most profound respects, to salute you with the customary signs, and to subscribe myself your most humble Brother.

ANTONIO DE SOUZA TERREIRA,

*Grand Master of Masons, of Peru."*

Your Committee have also received the proceedings of the Lodges mentioned above, and one other, called "*Virtud y Union*," which seems to have united with the other two, since the publication of the above circular; from which we learn, that they have some grievances to redress, and complaints to make against the "National Grand Orient of Peru." The justness of these grievances your Committee are at present unable to judge, and still less willing to endorse, for the reason, that these Lodges have organized a "*Grand Lodge*" of their own, which your Committee deem without their power, and at variance with our known acknowledged views of Masonic jurisprudence.

In concluding this Supplemental Report, we append the following resolutions:

AMOS ADAMS,

*Sub-Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.*

1. *Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge hails with unfeigned pleasure the Grand Lodge of Canada, of which Wm. M. Wilson is Grand Master, and Wm. H. Miller,

Grand Recorder, into the family of Independent Grand Lodges, and extend to her the right hand of fellowship.

2. *Resolved*, That we greet with heartfelt satisfaction the Independent Grand Lodge of Nebraska, and extend to her the right hand of fellowship.

3. *Resolved*, That all Masonic intercourse with the body styling itself the "Grand Lodge of Peru," be, and the same is hereby interdicted, it being illegally organized.

# LECTURE.

READ AT THE REQUEST OF THE GRAND LODGE, BY BRO. ALBERT PIKE.

## THE EVIL CONSEQUENCES OF SCHISMS AND DISPUTES FOR POWER IN MASONRY, AND OF JEALOUSIES AND DISSENSIONS BETWEEN MA- SONIC RITES.

Such, my brethren, is the subject on which I have been requested to address you. Some who have the interests of Masonry at heart, have thought that it was possible to say something upon this subject that might tend to remove erroneous impressions, to increase union and harmony among Masons, and to persuade society at large that its well-being and progress are, to some extent, involved in the advancement and prosperity of Masonry. They have demanded that I should say that something; and, though unaffectedly reluctant to do it, my obligation as a Mason bars against me all the avenues of escape, and compels disinclination to yield to the imperative mandate of duty.

It would need no argument to show that to the Masonic Order itself, as to any other order or association, however unpretending and unimportant, intestine dissensions, struggles for the possession of power, jealousies and heart-burnings must necessarily be harmful, retard its growth and progress, repel those who, if it were at peace within itself, would seek to approach its doors; and at first diminish and ultimately destroy its capacity for usefulness. If this were all that I desired to establish, I might say so much and at once conclude.

But *we*, my brethren, do not believe that this is *all*. We think that the highest interests of *Society*, and of the community in which we live, and, perhaps, even interests wider and more general still, those of the Nation, and of humanity at large, are affected and injured, in that which affects and does harm to Masonry. We think that the world *without* our Temples is deeply interested in the continuance or restoration of peace and harmony *within*; and that every Mason who encourages or by apathy permits dissensions within the walls that veil our mysteries from the world's eyes, is an enemy, not of Masonry only, but of that world's advancement and prosperity.

It is indeed true that the world at large, the statesmen and the men of business, are not in the habit of attaching much importance to the peaceful operations, the active efforts and silent influences of Masonry. Some even think evil of the order; to others its pretensions are the subject of mirth and food for ridicule; while probably the general impression is that it is a harmless and inoffensive association, rather laudable for its benevolent propensities, its charities, and the assistance its members mutually lend each other; but one in which the world at large is in no wise interested, one whose ceremonies are frivolous, its secrets mere pretence, its titles and dignities absurd, and its dissensions mere childish disputes for barren honors and an empty precedence, fit only to excite the pitying smiles of the grave and the sarcastic laughter of the ill-natured.

Nor is it to be denied, that there is some warrant for this, in the unfortunate proclivity of over-zealous and injudicious brethren to make the history of Masonry remount to the time when Adam, in the Garden of Eden was Grand Master; to invent fables and manufacture traditions; to invest with a mysterious sanctity the trite common-places that all the world is at liberty to know; to give interpretations of symbols that every scholar knows to be untrue, and every man of sense knows to be vapid and trivial; in the vain parade of sounding titles and glittering decorations; and more than all, in the angry disputes which rend the bosom of the Order, accompanied with bitter words, harsh epithets and loud denunciations, that give the lie to the combatants' claim of brotherhood, in regard to questions that to the world seem trifling and unreal.

Is society *really* interested in the peace and progress of Masonry? Has the world a moral right to demand that harmony shall govern in our Temples? Is that a matter which at all concerns the community? *How* grave and important are the interests that by our mad dissensions we



recklessly put at hazard? and by what means are peace and harmony to be restored and maintained?

Such are the questions which it is demanded of me to consider. To do so, it is evidently necessary first to settle what Masonry *is*, and what its *objects* are, and by what *means* and *appliances* it proposes to effect those objects.

The well-being of every nation, like that of every individual, is three-fold,—*physical, moral and intellectual*. Neither physically, morally, or intellectually is a people ever *stationary*. Always it either advances or retrogrades; and, as when one climbs a hill of ice, to *advance* demands continual effort and exertion, while to slide *downward* one needs but to halt.

• The happiness and prosperity of a people consist in advancing on each of the three lines, physical, moral and intellectual, at once; for the day of its downfall draws nearer, even when its intellect is more developed and the works of its genius are more illustrious, and while its physical comforts increase, if its moral progress does not keep pace with its physical and intellectual; and yet without the last, the two first do not mark the loftiest condition of a great people.

That institution deserves the title of 'public benefactor,' which by a system of judicious charities and mutual assistance diminishes the sum total of haggard want and destitution, and relieves the public of a portion of the burthen which the necessities of the poor and shelterless impose upon it: for it thus aids the *physical* advancement of the people.

It still *more* deserves the title, if in addition, it imperatively requires of its members the strict and faithful performance of all those duties towards their fellow-men as individuals, which the loftiest and purest morality enjoins; and so is the potent auxiliary of the laws, and the enforcer of the moral precepts of the *great Teacher* who preached the Sermon on the Mount: for it thus labors for the *moral* elevation of the people.

And still *more*, if its initiates are also, and of necessity, devoted to the true interests of the people; if they are the soldiery of Liberty, Equality and Brotherhood, and at the same time of good government, of good order, and of the laws, that made by the representatives of all, for the general good of all, must be implicitly obeyed by all: for thus again it aids in elevating still higher the *moral* character of the people.

And *most of all*, if in addition to all this, it strives to elevate the people *intellectually*, by teaching those who enter its portals the profoundest

truths of Philosophy, and the wisdom of the Sages of every age; a rational conception of the Deity; of the universe that He has made, and of the laws that govern it; a true estimate of Man himself, of his freedom to act, of his dignity and his destiny.

I mean to speak only of what Masonry *teaches*; and to set up no *extravagant* pretensions in its behalf. That its precepts are not fully obeyed by its initiates, in no wise detracts from their value or excellence; any more than the imperfect performance of its votaries detracts from the excellence of religion. The theory and the intentions of every man that lives are better and purer than his practice,—I do not say they are *unfortunately* so; for it is one of the great kindnesses of Providence, and a most conclusive proof of God's existence and infinite benevolence, that the worst as well as the purest of men has ever within him, like a beacon-light, which he must perforce always struggle to reach, an ideal and exemplar of a rarer excellence than he can ever attain to, strive and struggle as he may. It has been well and truly said, that even Hypocrisy is the involuntary homage which vice pays to virtue.

That Masons do not live up to the teachings of their Order proves only that they are *men*; that, like other men, they are weak with the frailties of feeble human nature; and that in the never-ceasing struggle with their passions and the mighty circumstances that environ us all, it is often their lot to be discomfited. If the *doctrines* of Masonry are good, they of necessity have their effect, and are never taught in vain. For not in vain are the winged seeds of Truth ever sown; and if committed to the winds, God sees to it that they take root somewhere and grow.

To inquire what Masonry *is*, is not only to seek to know its history, its antecedents and its statistics, but more and chiefly to inquire what are its morals and its philosophy. This latter is the inquiry that I have proposed to myself to answer; but as its importance to the world without depends upon the extension of the Order, the number of its members, and its permanency, I must first, and with that view alone, say a few words as to the former. If the Masonic Order were merely a thing of yesterday, ephemeral, and to pass away to-morrow; if it were local, and confined to one country or to men of one faith, or if the number of its initiates were small, and therefore its capacity for good or evil limited, it would be comparatively unimportant to inquire what were its morality and its philosophy.

It is not ephemeral or transitory. I will not claim that it was co-eval with Noah or with Enoch, or that its Lodges were held within the holy

walls of the first Temple at Jerusalem, or even that it arose during the times of the Crusades. It is enough to say that its origin is hidden in the mists and shadows of antiquity. The Arab builds into his rude walls the carved blocks that once were a part of Babylonian palaces, when Ezekiel prophesied, and when Daniel interpreted the dreams of Kings: the stones hewn by the old Etruscans before Romulus slew his brother and built the first wall for Rome, may be still seen in the works of Roman architects: and so in our Rituals, attesting the antiquity of the Order, remain embedded *words* now obsolete, their meaning long forgotten and only recently re-discovered.

We know from historical testimony that the Order existed in England and Scotland in the 17th Century, and was introduced into France in the year 1721, one hundred and thirty-seven years ago. As early as the year 1787, it had extended into almost every State in Europe, into the East and West Indies and Turkey; and it was estimated that there were then 3,217 Lodges, numbering at least 200,000 members. Then the United States were in their first childhood, chiefly confined to a narrow strip of country along the Atlantic coast, and there and in Canada there were estimated to be but 85 Lodges.

Now, in our thirty-one States, the District of Columbia, and our Territories there are thirty-six Grand Lodges; and in the whole nation not far from 4,200 Lodges, besides other Subordinate Bodies of all the Rites; with a membership of not less than 140,000 persons. In every Christian country on the globe our Temples are frequented; and in Turkey, India and Persia, the Mahometan bows before the altar of Masonry. In England, France, Scotland, Ireland, Germany and Switzerland, the Order has continued to advance. Though Popes have excommunicated and the Inquisition has persecuted, Masonry yet lives in Spain, and under the shadow of the Papal throne; and when in Naples it has been unsafe to meet on land, Lodges have been held upon the open sea, in sight of the thousand lights of the city and of the pharos of Messina, with the starry heavens alone for the covering of the triangular Lodge of boats, from which up to Heaven rose the sweet incense of Masonic prayer.

The greatest, the wisest and the best of men in every country have adorned the great Order in both ancient and modern times; and united zealously in its labors. Statesmen, soldiers, advocates, scholars, poets, artists, the merchant, the mechanic and the laborer, have for one hundred and thirty-seven years, at least, "met in our Lodges upon the level, and

parted on the square." PAUL JONES, LAFAYETTE and WASHINGTON were Masons: FRANKLIN sat with LALANDE in the same Lodge in which HELVETIUS had worn the apron. Almost all the great marshals and generals of Napoleon, including the three kings, *Joseph, Murat and Bernadotte* knew the mystic numbers, and made the French and Scottish Rites illustrious. Natural Science contributed to Masonry a *Lacépède*, Painting, a *Horace Vernet*, Music, a *Meyerbeer*, the Stage, *Talma*; the Bar, *Philippe Dupin*, his not less illustrious elder Brother, and *Odilon Barrot*.

In other countries Masonry counted its distinguished names, too numerous to mention: and at the present day, in our own, its initiates occupy the high places of the country, hold the helm of the ship of State, sit in the Departments of State, War, the Interior, and others, preside on the Bench, and represent our country at foreign courts.

In Europe it has founded public libraries, established free schools, given rewards for eminent acts of virtue and heroism, established homes for Masons poor and destitute, fed the hungry, clothed the naked, and been the friend of the oppressed and unfortunate.

In our own country, it follows in good faith the same path. It establishes schools and founds academies, and its five thousand two hundred Lodges are so many centres from which charity flows in all directions like the light, and whose exchequers are rich with the gratitude of widows, and the tearful thanks of orphans. And prominent above all, like a great light that sends its rays far across the waters, stands THE LOUISIANA RELIEF LODGE, that noblest of Masonic Institutions, opening wide its doors to the sick, the destitute, the friendless stranger, and doing honour to Masonry and to the State.

With this mere glance at the history, the antecedents, the *personnel* and the statistics of Masonry, I must be content. It is sufficient to show that it is of some importance to this community, to the Union and the world, to know what are the morals and philosophy taught by this great, permanent and widely extended Order.

What, then, is the *morality* of Masonry? Listen, and you shall learn.

Masonry says to its initiate: "BE CONTENT. Compare not your condition with the few above you, but with the thousands with whom you would not by any means change your fortune and condition. A soldier must not think himself unprosperous, if he be not successful as Alexander or Wellington; nor any man deem himself unfortunate that he hath not the wealth of Rothschild; but rather let the former rejoice that he is

not lessened like the many generals who went down, horse and man, before Napoleon; and the latter, that he is not the beggar, who, in the bleak winter wind holds out his tattered hat for charity. There *may be* many who are richer and more fortunate; it is *certain* that there are many *thousands* who are very miserable, compared to you."

But a Mason's *contentedness* must by no means be a mere *contented selfishness*; like his, who, comfortable himself, is indifferent to the discomfort of others. There will always be in this world wrongs to forgive, sufferings to alleviate, sorrows asking for sympathy, necessities and destitution to relieve, and ample occasion for the exercise of active charity and beneficence. And he who sits unconcerned amidst it all, perhaps enjoying his own comforts and luxuries the more, by contrasting them with the hungry and ragged misery and shivering wretchedness of his fellows, is not contented, but only unfeeling and brutal.

It is the saddest of all sights upon this earth, that of a man, lazy and luxurious, or hard and penurious, to whom want appeals in vain, and suffering cries in an unknown tongue. The man whose hasty anger hurries him into violence or crime, is not half so unworthy to live. This is the faithless steward, that embezzles what is given him in trust for the penniless and impoverished among his brethren. The true Mason must be, and must have a right to be, content with himself; and he can be so, only when he lives, not for himself alone, but for others, who need his assistance and have a claim upon his sympathy.

"Charity," says a fine old writer, "is the great channel through which God passes all his mercies upon mankind. For we receive absolution of our sins in proportion to our forgiving our brother. This is the rule of our hopes, and the measure of our desire in this world; and on the day of death and judgment, the great sentence upon mankind shall be transacted according to our alms, which is the other part of charity. God Himself is LOVE; and every degree of charity that dwells in us, is the participation of the Divine Nature."

These principles Masonry reduces to practice; and by them it expects its initiates to be guided and governed. It says to them, in the words of the great Roman: "Men in no respect so nearly approach to the Deity, as when they confer benefits on men. To serve and do good to as many as possible—there is nothing greater in your fortune than that you should be *able*, and nothing finer in your nature than that you should be *desirous*, to do this." It expects every man to do *something*, within and according

to his means ; and if not alone, then by combination and association. A Lodge may aid in founding a school or an academy ; and if not, it can at least educate one boy or girl, the child of a poor or departed Brother. And it should never be forgotten, that in the poorest unregarded child that seems abandoned to ignorance and vice, may slumber virtue, intellect and genius ; and that in rescuing him from the mire and giving him the means of education and development, the Lodge may confer on the world as great a benefit as was given it by John Faust, the boy of Mentz, who revealed to it the art of Printing.

*For we never know the importance of the act we do.* The daughter of Pharaoh little thought what she was doing for the human race, and the vast, unimaginable consequences that depended on her charitable act, when she drew the little child of a Hebrew woman from among the rushes that grew along the bank of the Nile, and determined to rear it as her own.

How often has an act of charity, costing the doer little, given to the world a great painter, a great sculptor, a great musician, a great inventor ! How often has such an act developed the ragged boy into a benefactor of his race ! *For there is no law, thank God ! that limits the returns that shall be reaped from a single good deed.* The widow's mite may not only be as acceptable to God, but may produce as large results, as the rich costly offering.

Masonry inculcates upon the master, care and kindness for the slave whom God has placed in his power and under his protection. It teaches to the employers of other men, in mines, manufactories and workshops, consideration and humanity for those who depend upon their labor for their bread, and to whom want of employment is starvation, and over-work is fever, consumption and death. While it teaches the employed to be honest, punctual and faithful, as well as respectful, and obedient to all proper orders, it also teaches the employer that every man or woman that *desires* to work, has a *right* to have work to do ; and that these, and those who from sickness or feebleness, old age or infancy, are not able to work, have a right to be fed, clothed, and sheltered from the inclement elements ; that he commits an awful sin against Masonry and in the sight of God, if he closes his workshop or factory, or ceases to work his mine, when they do not yield him what he considers sufficient profit, and so dismisses his workmen and workwomen to starve ; or when he reduces their wages to so low a standard that they and their families cannot therewith be fed and clad and comfortably housed ; or by over-work must give him their blood

and life in exchange for the pittance of their wages; and that his duty as a Mason and a Brother peremptorily requires him to continue to employ those who else will be pinched with hunger and cold, or must resort to theft and vice; and to pay them fair wages, though it may reduce or annul his profits, or even eat into his capital; *for God has but LOANED him his wealth, and made him His almoner and agent to invest it.*

Not only in their charities, but in every other manner, Masonry will have its initiates to be GENEROUS; not careful to return no more than they receive, but preferring that the balance upon the ledger of benefits shall be in their favour. He, it holds, who has received payment in full for all the benefits and favours that he has conferred, is like a spendthrift who has consumed his whole estate, and laments over an empty exchequer. He who requites our favours with ingratitude, *adds to*, instead of *diminishing* our wealth; and he who cannot return a favour, is equally poor, whether that inability arise from poverty of spirit and sordidness of soul or actual pecuniary need.

If he is wealthy who has large sums invested, and the mass of whose fortune consists, in obligations by which other men promise to pay him money; he is still more so, to whom many owe large returns of kindnesses and favours. Beyond a moderate sum each year, the rich man merely *invests* his means, and that which he never uses is still, like favours unrequited and kindnesses unreciprocated, a *real* portion of his fortune.

It is the Mason's part to protect the feeble against the strong, and the defenceless against rapacity and craft; to succor and comfort the poor, and be the guardian, under God, of His innocent and helpless wards; to value friends more than riches or fame, and gratitude more than money or power; and so to be the true nobleman by God's patent, his escutcheon and quarterings to be found in Heaven's great book of Heraldry; to be *liberal*, but only of that which is his own; to be *generous*, but only when he has first been *just*; to give, when it involves the deprivation of a luxury or a comfort.

"I will not acknowledge as an initiate," Masonry declares, "the man who is not disinterested and generous, not only in *acts*, but in his opinions of men, and his constructions of their conduct. He who is selfish and grasping, or censorious and ungenerous, will not long remain within the strict limits of Honesty and Truth, but will shortly commit injustice. He who loves himself too much, must needs love others too little; and he who is inclined to *harsh* judgment, will not long delay to give *unjust* judg-

ment, and afterwards or not at all, hear the case. The worldly, the covetous and the sensual; the man governed by inclination and not by duty; the unkind, severe, censorious or injurious in the relations or intercourse of life; the unfaithful parent or undutiful child; the cruel master or faithless servant; the treacherous friend, bad neighbor, or bitter and ungenerous competitor, may wear the white apron of the Mason, and rejoice in all the titles of the Order; *but he wanders at a great distance from the true Masonic Light.*"

Next, Masonry requires of its Initiates, FIDELITY. "Truth plighted is ever to be kept;" it does not cease to repeat to them, was an axiom even among Pagans. The virtuous Roman said: "Either let not that which seems *expedient* be *base*, or if it be *base*, let it not seem *expedient*." The word of a Mason, like that of a Knight in the times of Chivalry, once given, ought to be sacred; and the judgment of his Brethren, upon him who violates his pledge, should be stern as the judgments of the Roman Censors against him who violated his oath. Calamity should always be chosen rather than baseness; and we should prefer to die rather than be dishonored.

INDUSTRY and HONESTY are virtues peculiarly inculcated in Masonry. When the arrogant Stuarts sat upon the throne of England, and the Bourbons on that of France, each claiming to rule by Divine Right; when Republican Government was more remote from actual life than Utopia or the New Atlantis; when Nobility thought that it was born to rule, and the people to toil and serve; when Rank, and Caste and Privilege looked down with lordly contempt upon the leathern apron of the artisan and the frieze jerkin of the laborer, THE GREAT ORDER wrought silently in its degrees of *Apprentice, Craftsman and Master Mason or Builder*; adopted for itself a Democratic system of government; and for the successor of the Demi-gods and Princes of the old legends of the Mysteries, selected an humble artisan, the son of a poor widow of Tyre, an industrious and honest man, cunning to work in brass and iron; and represented *him* as the Peer of Kings. The history of the world hardly offers a more significant and extraordinary lesson.

As the bees have no love for drones, so true Masons have none for the idle and lazy; for those who are so, are already useless, and in the way to become dissipated and vicious; and perfect honesty, which ought to be the common qualification of all, is more rarely met with than diamonds. To *do* earnestly and steadily, to *do* faithfully and honestly, that which we



have to do,—perhaps this wants but little, when looked at from every point of view, of including the whole body of the moral law.

We think, at the age of twenty, that life is much too long for that which we have to learn and do ; and that there is an almost fabulous distance between our age and that of our Grand-Father. But when, at the age of sixty, if we are fortunate enough to reach it, or unfortunate enough, as the case may be, and according as we have used or wasted our time, we halt and look back along the way that we have come, and cast up and try to balance our accounts with Time, we find that we have made Life much too short, and thrown away a large portion of our days. We then in our mind deduct from the sum total of our years, the hours that we unnecessarily have spent in sleep ; the waking hours each day, during which the surface of the mind's pool has not been stirred or ruffled by a single thought ; the days that we have got rid of as we could, to attain some real or fancied object that lay beyond, in the way between which and us stood irksomely the intervening days ; and the hours mis-spent and worse than wasted, in folly and dissipation ; and we acknowledge with many a sigh, that we could have learned and done, in half a score of years well spent, more than we *have* learned and done in our forty years of manhood.

*To learn and to do!* This is the soul's work here below. The soul *grows*, as truly as an oak grows. As the tree takes the air and the particles that float in the air, the dew and rain, and the food that in the earth lies piled around its roots ; and by its mysterious chemistry transmutes them into sap and fibre, into wood and leaf, and flower and fruit, and taste and color and perfume ; so the soul drinks in knowledge, and by a divine alchemy changes what it learns into its own substance, and develops itself from within outwardly, and *grows*, with an inherent Force and Power like those which lie hid in the small germ of the acorn.

To sleep little, and to study much ; to say little, and to hear and think much ; to learn, that we may be able to do ; and then to do, earnestly and vigorously, whatever is required by Duty, by the interests of our fellows, our country and mankind,—these are the duties which Masonry prescribes to its initiates.

It requires of them "honesty in contracts, sincerity in affirming, simplicity in bargaining, and faithfulness in performing." It says to them, in the terse language of an old writer, "Lie not at all, neither in a little thing nor in a great, neither in the substance nor in the circumstance, neither in word nor deed ; that is, pretend not what is false ; aver not

what is untrue; and let the measure of your affirmation or denial be the understanding of your contractor."

"That any man should be the worse for us, and our direct act, and by our intention, is against the rule of equity, of justice and of charity." We, then, do not that to others, which we might reasonably wish they should do unto us; for we grow richer upon the ruins of their fortune. The good Mason does not wish to receive anything from another, without returning him an equivalent: and by that simple principle, Masonry discountenances bets and gaming among its members; while it frowns upon him who takes wages or fees for a work that he is incompetent to do, or demands more than his services are honestly and according to the custom worth; upon the merchant who sells an inferior article for a sound price; upon the speculator who makes the needs and distresses of other men his exchequer.

It says to every Mason: it should be our earnest desire so to live and deal and act, that when it comes to us to die, we shall be able to say, and our consciences to adjudge, that no man on earth is poorer, because we are richer; that what we have, we have honestly earned or purchased; and that no man, and more especially no widow or orphan, can stand up before God, and claim that by the Rules of Equity administered in His great Chancery, this house in which we die, this land that we devise among our heirs, this money which enriches those who survive to bear our name, is his or hers, and not ours, and we in that Great Forum are only their Trustees. For it is most certain that God is just, and will sternly enforce every such trust; and that to all whom we despoil, to all whom we defraud, to all from whom we take anything whatever without full and fair equivalent, He will decree an adequate and ample compensation.

"Be careful," then, it says to every Brother, "that thou receive no wages, here or elsewhere, that are not thy due. For if thou dost, thou wrongest some one, by taking that which in God's Chancery belongs to him; and whether that which thou takest thus, be wealth or rank, or influence or reputation."

Again, it says to him: "Be zealous and faithful! be disinterested and benevolent! Act the peacemaker, in case of dissensions, disputes and quarrels among the Brethren. DUTY is the moral magnetism that controls and guides the true Mason's course over the tumultuous seas of Life. Whether the Stars of *Honor*, *Reputation* and *Reward* do or do not shine; in the light of day, or in the darkness of the night of trouble and adver-

sity; in calm or storm, that unerring magnet still shows him the true course to steer, and indicates with certainty where-away lies the port, which not to reach involves ship-wreck and dishonor. He follows implicitly its silent bidding, as the mariner, when land is for many days not in sight, and the ocean, without path or land-mark, howls angrily around him, follows the silent bidding of the needle, as though it were God's finger, pointing unerringly to the North. To perform that Duty, whether the performance be rewarded or unrewarded, is his sole care; nor does it matter to him, though of this performance there may be no witnesses; and though what he has done will be forever unknown to all mankind.

Times change, and circumstances; but Virtue [in the original meaning of the old Roman word, *Virtus*, manliness] and *Duty*, ever remain the same. The evils to be confronted only take another shape, and are developed in a different form. There is the same need now of Truth and Loyalty, as there was in the days of knighthood. In no age of the world has man had better opportunity than now to display a lofty manliness and noble heroism.

When a fearful epidemic ravages a city, and death is inhaled with the air men breathe; when the living scarcely suffice to bury the dead; most men flee in abject terror, to return and live, respectable and influential, when the danger has passed away. But the old knightly spirit of devotion and disinterestedness and contempt of death, still lives, and is not extinct in the human heart. Every where, a few are found to stand firmly and unflinchingly at their posts, to front and defy the danger, not for money, nor to be honored for it, nor to protect their own household; but from mere humanity, and to obey the unerring dictates of duty. Brethren of some benevolent Order or Association, or philanthropists that belong to no Order, they nurse the sick, breathing the pestilential atmosphere of the Hospital. They explore the dens of want and misery. Gentle as women, they soften the pangs of the dying, and feed the lamp of life in the convalescent. They perform the last sad offices to the dead; and they seek for all no other reward than the approval of their own consciences. Like one, a member of THE GREAT ORDER, whom, because he lives among us, and seeks no such acknowledgment, I will not name, they go as volunteers to distant cities, where the cross is marked on every door, the pestilence crouches in every house, and dismay and terror are in every heart; there to attend the sick and relieve the suffering; and when the ghastly destroyer has passed away, A STATE engraves their names upon the eternal tablets

of its memory, and mothers teach their children to bless them and remember them in their prayers.

These obey the Masonic law of Duty ;—these, and the captain who remains at his post on board his shattered ship, until the last boat, loaded to the water's edge with passengers and crew, has parted from her side ; and then, like *Herndon*, goes calmly down with her into the mysterious depths of the ocean ; the pilot who stands at the wheel while the swift flames eddy round him, and scorch away his life ; the fireman who climbs the blazing walls, and plunges amid the flames, to save the lives of those who have upon him no claim by tie of blood, of friendship, or even of ordinary acquaintance,—these, and all men, who, set at the post of duty, stand there manfully, to die, if need be, but not to desert their post.

THE GREAT ORDER insists that its Initiates shall be JUST ; that faithfully using that moral faculty, the conscience, and applying it to existing relations and circumstances, they shall develop it and all its kindred powers, and so deduce the duties that, out of these relations and these circumstances, and by them limited and qualified, arise and become obligatory upon us ; and to learn justice, the law of right, the Divine rule of conduct for human life. It says, in part in the words of a profound if erratic thinker : “ Every departure from real, practical justice, is no doubt attended with “ loss to the unjust man, though the loss is not reported to the public. “ Injustice, public or private, like every other sin and wrong, is inevitably “ followed by its *consequences*, which men style its *punishment*. The “ selfish, the grasping, the inhuman, the fraudulently unjust, the ungenerous “ employer and the cruel master, are detested by the great popular heart ; “ while the kind master, the liberal employer, the generous, the humane “ and the just, have the good opinion of all men ; and even Envy is a tribute to their virtues. Men honor all who stand up for truth and right, “ and never shrink. The world builds monuments to its patriots, and “ tears down the statues of its knaves. Four great Statesmen, organizers “ of the right, embalmed in stone, look down upon the Lawgivers of France, “ as they pass to their hall of legislation, silent orators to tell how nations “ love the just. How we revere the marble lineaments of those just judges, “ JAY and MARSHALL, that look so calmly towards the living Bench of the “ Supreme Court of the United States ! What a monument WASHINGTON “ has built in the heart of America, and all the world ; not because he “ dreamed of an impracticable ideal justice, but by his constant and successful effort to be *practically* just.

"But necessity only, and the greatest good of the greatest number, can legitimately interfere with the dominion of absolute and ideal justice. Government should not foster the strong, at the expense of the weak, nor protect the capitalist and tax the laborer. The powerful should not seek a monopoly of development and enjoyment; not prudence only, and the expedient for to-day should be appealed to by statesmen, but conscience and the right: justice should not be forgotten in looking at interest; nor political *morality* neglected for political *economy*; we should not have national *house-keeping*, instead of national *organization* on the basis of right.

"We may well differ as to the abstract right of many things; for every such question has many sides, and few men look at *all* of them; many, only at *one*. But we all readily recognize cruelty, unfairness, inhumanity, partiality, over-reaching, hard dealing, by their ugly and familiar lineaments. We do not need to sit as a Court of Errors and Appeals, to revise and reverse God's Providences, in order to know and to hate and despise *them*."

And so it says, and again partly in the words of the same Thinker: "A sentence is written against all that is unjust; written by God in the nature of man, and in the nature of the universe; because it is in the nature of God. Fidelity to your faculties, trust in their convictions—that is justice to yourself; a life in obedience thereto, that is justice towards men. No wrong is really successful. The gain of injustice is a loss; its pleasure, suffering. Iniquity often seems to prosper, but its success is its defeat and shame. After a long while, the day of reckoning ever comes, to nation as to individual. The knave deceives himself. The miser, starving his brother's body, starves also his own soul, and at death shall creep out of his great estate of injustice, poor and naked and miserable. Whoso escapes a duty, avoids a gain. Outward judgment often fails, inward justice never; and we ever see a continual and progressive triumph of the Right."

TRUTH, a Mason is early told, is a Divine attribute, and the foundation of every virtue; and frankness, reliability, sincerity, straight-forwardness, plain-dealing, are but different modes in which Truth develops itself. Our lectures say, "The dead, the absent, the innocent, and those that trust him, no Mason will deceive willingly. To all these he owes a nobler justice, in that they are the most certain trials of Human Equity. Only the most abandoned of men, said CICERO, would deceive him who

"would have remained uninjured, if he had not trusted. All the noble deeds that have beat their marches through succeeding ages, have proceeded from men of Truth and genuine courage. The man who is always true, is both virtuous and wise, and thus possesses the greatest guards of safety; for the law has not power to strike the virtuous; nor can fortune subvert the wise."

In this age of exaggeration and insincere profession; when books are written and published and even read, whose object is to teach the rising generation how easily a fortune may be made by entrapping gulls with lies; and when for one to give a true account or a fair one of the speech or argument made against his opinions or his party, is a thing so rare, that the recurrence of the phenomenon at long intervals, goes far to make the most confirmed and incurable infidel yield up his unbelief in miracles;—in this age, when falsehoods, told for effect, and the faculty of utterance whereof is a gift, that yields a comfortable revenue, can get printed by steam and travel on the invisible wings of the lightning,—Masonry still adheres to its old morals, and says to its initiates: "Speak thou always the simple Truth, no more and no less; or else speak not at all." And it adds: "Be thou no tale-bearer, nor retailer of scandal; for he who is so, is certain often to go beyond the truth."

With the errors and even the sins of other men, that do not personally affect us or ours, and need not our condemnation to be odious, we have really nothing to do. The journalist has no patent that makes him the censor of morals. There is no obligation resting on us to trumpet forth our disapproval of every injudicious, improper or wrongful act, that every other man commits. One is not obliged to enlist in the police, or play the spy and the informer.

"One ought," a great German says, "to write or speak against no other in this world. Each man in it has enough to do, to watch and keep guard over himself. Each of us is sick enough in this great Lazaretto; and journalism and political writing constantly remind us of a scene once witnessed in a little hospital; where it was horrible to hear how the patients mockingly reproached each other with their disorders and infirmities; how one, who was worn to a skeleton by consumption, jeered at another who was bloated by dropsy; how the leper laughed at his roommate's cancer of the face; and this one again at his neighbor's paralysis; until at last the delirious fever-patient sprang out of his bed, and tore away the coverings from the wounded bodies of his companions; and

"nothing was to be seen but hideous misery and mutilation." If we would but look at it aright, is the business of parading before all the world every domestic tragedy and every act of disreputable villainy, any less disgusting, or any more profitable to humanity?

Very often the censure bestowed upon men's acts, by those who have elected and commissioned themselves keepers of the Public Morals, is undeserved. Often it is not only undeserved; but praise is due instead of censure; and when deserved, it is always extravagant and therefore unjust.

Even the man who does wrong and commits errors, often has a quiet home, a peaceful fireside, a gentle loving wife and innocent children, who do not know of his misdeeds, past and long repented of, or present and hereafter to be atoned for by sincere penitence and mighty agonies and bitter remorse; or, if they do, do love him all the better, because being mortal he hath erred, and being in the image of God he hath repented, or will, persuaded by their soft and gentle influences, repent and make atonement, if no uninvited censor thrusts himself between him and them. That every blow aimed at this husband and father, strikes brutally at the bosoms of the wife and daughters, and makes them, though innocent, to partake of the shame which falls on him, does not stay the hand of the modern guardian of public morals; but, brave as Cæsar, he strikes and slays, and then calls on those to whose vicious appetites he has pandered, to admire and praise him for the generous and manly act.

"If ye seek," says an old writer, "for high and strained carriages, you shall for the most part, meet with them in low men. Arrogance is a weed that ever grows on a dung-hill. There is no arrogance so great as the proclaiming of other men's errors and faults, by those who understand nothing but the dregs of actions, and who make it their business to besmear deserving fames." It is no more honorable now than heretofore, for one to become a perpetual spy upon the actions of other men, and a general tale-bearer, even if one is fortunate enough to own a press and types, and so can retail his scandal to a multitude instead of one. Imagine only, a gentleman, making it his trade whereby to earn a living, to fish in all the moral sewers of a city for all the instances of low vice and disgusting depravity, that for the credit of human nature ought to be ignored; and then to stand at the street-corners and retail them orally to all the prurient and bestial who would listen, and for his trouble deposit in his palm a sixpence!

The same old writer adds, and his words are singularly applicable to-day: "Their malice makes them nimble-eyed, apt to note a fault and publish it, and with a strained construction to deprave those things that the doer's intents have told his soul were honest. They set the vices of other men on high, for the gaze of the world. If they cannot wound upon proofs, they will do it upon likelihoods; and if not upon them, they manufacture lies, as God created the world, out of nothing; knowing that the multitude will believe them, because affirmations are apter to win belief, than negatives to uncredit them; and that a lie travels faster than an eagle flies, while contradiction lags after it at a snail'space, and halting, never overtakes it."

In his words, Masonry lays down its rule: "If there be *virtues*, and thou art called upon to speak of him that owns them, do thou tell them forth impartially; and if there be vices mixed with them, be thou content the world shall know them by some other tongue than thine. For if the evil-doer himself deserve no pity, (which Christ, who died for him, does not say,) his wife, his parents or his children, or other innocent persons who love him may."

The Mason is devoted to the cause of LIBERALITY and TOLERATION, against Fanaticism and Persecution, political and religious; to that of EDUCATION, INSTRUCTION and ENLIGHTENMENT against Error, Barbarism and Ignorance.

TOLERATION, holding that every other man has the same right to *his* opinion and faith, that *we* have to *ours*; LIBERALITY, holding that, as no human being can say with certainty, in the clash and conflict of hostile faiths and creeds, what *is* Truth, or that he is surely in possession thereof; so every one should feel that it is quite possible that another, equally honest and sincere with himself, and yet holding the contrary opinion, may himself be in possession; and that whatever one firmly and conscientiously believes, is truth, *to him*;—these are the mortal enemies of that Fanaticism which persecutes for opinion's sake, and initiates crusades against whatever it deems, in its imaginary holiness, to be contrary to the law of God.

And EDUCATION, INSTRUCTION and ENLIGHTENMENT are the only certain means by which Intolerance and Fanaticism can be rendered powerless.

No true Mason scoffs at honest convictions, and an ardent zeal in the cause of Truth and justice. But he absolutely denies the right of any



man to assume the prerogative of Deity, and condemn his Brother's faith and opinions as heretical and deserving to be punished. Nor does he approve the course of those who endanger the peace of great nations, and the solid interests of their own race, by indulging in the cheap luxury of a chimerical and visionary philanthropy; who draw their robes around them to avoid contact with their fellows, and think themselves nearer to heaven by proclaiming their own holiness.

For he knows that Intolerance and Bigotry have been infinitely greater curses to mankind than Ignorance and Error. He does not forget that *Galileo* was denied the free enjoyment of light and air, because he averred that the earth moved; and that, two centuries ago, the rack and the stake would have been the reward of *Agassiz* and *Lyell*. Better any error than persecution! Better any belief or opinion, however irrational and absurd, than the thumbscrew and the *auto da fe*! And he knows also how unspeakably absurd it is, for a creature, to whom himself, and everything within and around him are mysteries, to torture and even slay others, because they do not think as he does in regard to the profoundest of all those mysteries, the least of which it is utterly beyond the comprehension of either to understand.

It holds, in the language of a wise writer, "that virtue by no means consists in the *thinking* or *believing*, which is an accidental, inevitable matter, where the man is sincere; but in the *doing*, which depends solely on himself. Virtue is but heroic bravery to *do* the thing *thought* to be true, in spite of all enemies of flesh or spirit, of temptations or menaces. Man is accountable for the *uprightness* of his doctrine, but not for the *rightness* of it. Devout enthusiasm is far easier than a good action. The end of Thought is action, and the sole purpose of Religion is an ethic. It is right to require of a man that he shall *seek* for the truth; but not that he shall *find* it. A speculative error, engendered in that huge store-house of ignorance, human *misunderstanding*, ought not to annihilate in our minds the fervent admiration which every just and right-minded man ought to feel, and knows he ought to feel, of a life of constant goodness and continual self-sacrifice. All the actions of a man's life, harmonious in excellence as the planets are in their orbits, should weigh something more than feathers in the scale, even if he is so far unfortunate as to be unable to solve the mystery of mysteries. It is not what we *believe*, but what we *become*, that is important to a man; and religion is but an instrument to ennoble the moral nature of man."

That is equally the purpose and mission of Masonry: "To diffuse useful information, to further intellectual refinement, to hasten the coming of the great day when the dawn of general knowledge shall chase away the lazy lingering mists, even from the base of the great social pyramid, is its high calling, in which the most splendid and consummate virtue may well press onward, eager to bear a part." And it is to be hoped that the time will soon arrive, for which Masonry has so long laboured, when, "as men will no longer suffer themselves to be led blindfold in ignorance, so will they no more yield to the vile principle of judging and treating their fellow-creatures, not according to the intrinsic merit of their actions, but according to the accidental and involuntary coincidence of their *opinions*."

One of the earliest lessons taught the Masonic Initiate is, that every Masonic Temple, itself a symbol of the Universe, and of the soul of every upright and worthy man, is supported by three great columns, WISDOM, STRENGTH and BEAUTY or HARMONY. The inmost meanings of these three columns, I am not at liberty to make known here. They involve the highest truths of Philosophy, and the profoundest Mysteries of Nature. When the Mason is advanced, however, to a certain point, he learns that these three pillars of the old Temple are replaced with three others, the names of which are familiar to you all,—FAITH, HOPE and CHARITY,—virtues which every Mason and every man and woman ought to possess: FAITH,—in God; that He is good and wise and merciful, a Father and not a Tyrant; whom we are as children to love, and not as slaves to fear; —in Human Nature; confidence in our kind, in the honesty of men's purposes and intentions; in man's capability for improvement and advancement; the same Faith in others that we would have them put in us; —and *Faith* in ourselves;—in our power to do some good, and exert some influence upon our fellows; *Faith*, that if we are but earnest, honest and sincere, we can help destroy ignorance, error and wrong, and become immortal in our good influences living after we are dead; that noble and modest confidence in ourselves, which is the secret of all success, and the parent of all great and noble actions.....HOPE, in the ultimate annihilation of Evil in the Universe; in the final triumph of Masonry, that shall make of all men one family and household; in the cessation of war and bloodshed, and the advent of Peace and Liberty; in the final enfranchisement of the human soul and intellect in every country on the globe; and in a Hereafter, where man, immortal, shall be happy.....And CHARITY, taught

us by *Faith* and *Hope*, for those who differ with us in opinion, for them and for their faith, and even for their errors; that Charity which relieves the necessities and distresses of men, and with open hand gives the suffering and destitute solace and comfort; and which forgives and utters merciful judgment upon the faults and short-comings of others; believes them *better than they seem, and teaches us to judge and do unto others as we should wish them, and think it right for them to judge and do unto us.* To be TRUSTFUL, to be HOPEFUL, to be INDULGENT:—these, when all around us are selfishness, despondency, ill-opinion of Human Nature, and harsh and bitter judgment, are the true supports of every Masonic Temple, and the bases of every manly and heroic nature. And they are also the old pillars of the Temple under different names: for he only is *Wise* who judges others *Charitably* and deals with their errors *Mercifully*; he only is *Strong*, who is *Hopeful*; and there is no *Beauty* of proportion or harmony, like a firm *Faith* in God, our fellows and ourselves.

Our lectures say to us: The true Mason labors for the benefit of those that are to come after him, and for the advancement and improvement of his race. That is a poor ambition which contents itself within the limits of a single life. All men who deserve to live at all, desire to survive their own funerals, and to live afterwards in the good that they have done mankind, rather than in the writing that lasts even the longest upon the sands of human memories. Most men desire to leave some *work* behind them, that may outlive their day and brief generation. That is an instinctive impulse, given by God, and often found in the rudest human heart; the surest proof of the soul's immortality, and of the radical difference between man and the wisest brutes. To plant the trees that after we are dead shall shelter our children, is as natural as to love the shade of those our fathers planted.

In his influences that survive him, man becomes immortal, before the general resurrection. The Thoughts of the Past are the Laws of the Present and Future. That which we say and do, if its effects last not beyond our lives, is of slight importance. That which shall live when we are dead, as part of the great body of law enacted by the Dead, is the only act worth doing, the only thought worth uttering. The desire to do something that shall benefit the world, when neither praise nor obloquy will reach us where we sleep soundly in the grave, is the noblest ambition entertained by man.

To sow, that others may reap; to work and plant for those that are to

occupy the earth when we are dead; to project our good influences far into the Future, and to live beyond our time; to rule as the Kings of Thought over men who are yet unborn; to bless with the glorious gifts of Truth and Light, and Liberty, those who may never know the name of the giver, nor care in what grave his unregarded ashes repose, is the true office of a Mason, and the proudest destiny of a man.

We read in Masonic Monitors, of *Speculative* Masonry, as distinguished from *Operative* Masonry. The word "*Speculative*," as applied to Masonry, is of modern coinage. I confess I shall be glad to see it disused. It always seems to me to involve the idea of talking much, and doing nothing. Masonry is *not* speculative, but *operative*. It is *work*. Good Masonry is to do the work of life. Its natural work is practical life. Its precepts are meant for practical use. It was not meant for the lazy and luxurious, the indifferent or selfish. To long for the regeneration of the human race, and entertain a philanthropy that embraces the whole world, is very pleasant and very easy. The difficulty is, that when Masonry is no more than that, the field to be cultivated is so extensive, that no other crop is raised in any corner of it than weeds. It is a laudable ambition to wish to be the benefactor of the world, or at the least of a nation; but most men can expect to be so, only through the influences they can exert within their own limited circle; and it would be too much, to expect your grand philanthropist, with universal Humanity for his client, to occupy himself with the pitiful interests of his own neighborhood, and with the eradication of the evils that grow like poisonous rank weeds around his own door. "The true Mason, on the contrary, occupies himself with what is near at hand. Right there he finds enough to do. His Masonry is to live a true, honorable, upright, affectionate life, from the motive of a good man. He finds evils enough, near him and around him, to be corrected; evils in trade, evils in social life, neighborhood abuses; wrongs swarming every where, to be righted; follies cackling every where, to be annihilated." "Masonry," it has been well said, "cannot, in our age, forsake the broad way of life. She must walk in the open street, appear in the crowded square, and teach men by her deeds, her *life*, more eloquent than any lips."

The Order says, in its charge to those who are to preside over its Lodges: "You are not to allow any assembly of the body over which you "may preside, to close, without recalling to the minds of the brethren the "duties of a Mason. That is an imperative duty. Forget not, that more

"than three thousand years ago, ZOROASTER said : *Be good ; be kind ; be humane and charitable ; love your fellows ; console the afflicted ; pardon those who have done you wrong !* Nor that more than two thousand three hundred years ago, CONFUCIUS repeated, also quoting the words of those who had lived before himself : *Love thy neighbor as thyself ; Do not to others what thou wouldst not wish should be done to thyself ; Forgive injuries ; Forgive your enemy, be reconciled to him, give him assistance, invoke God in his behalf !*"

"Let not the morality of your Lodge be inferior to that of the Persian or the Chinese Philosopher.

"Urge upon your brethren the teaching and the unostentatious practice of the morality of the Lodge, without regard to times, places, religions or peoples.

"Urge them to love one another, to be devoted to one another, to be faithful to the country, the Government and the laws ; for to serve the country is to pay a dear and sacred debt.

"To respect all forms of worship, to tolerate all political and religious opinions ; not to blame, and still less to condemn the religion of others ; not to seek to make converts ; but to be content if they have the religion of SOCRATES ;—a veneration for the Creator, the religion of good works, and grateful acknowledgment of God's blessings.

"To fraternise with all men ; to assist all who are unfortunate ; and cheerfully to postpone their own interests to those of the Order.

"To make it the constant rule of their lives, to *think* well, to *speak* well, and to *act* well.

"To place the Sage above the Soldier, the Noble or the Prince ; and take the wise and good as their models.

"To see that their professions and practice, their teachings and conduct do always agree.

"To make this also their motto : *Do that which thou oughtest to do, let the result be what it will.*"

While Masonry inculcates these duties towards individuals, it also requires its initiates to work, actively and earnestly, for the benefit of their country. It is the Patron of the oppressed, as it is the comforter and consoler of the wretched and unfortunate. "It seems to it a worthier honor to be the instrument of advancement and reform, than to enjoy all that rank and office and lofty titles can bestow. It is the advocate of the common people, in those things which concern the best interests of man-

"kind." It hates insolent power and impudent usurpation. It pities the poor, the sorrowing, the disconsolate. It would fain raise and improve the ignorant, the sunken and the degraded.

It is the Preacher of LIBERTY, FRATERNITY and EQUALITY: of a decent and well regulated liberty, based on law, and guarded by an inviolable constitution, under which the rights of the individual and the minority are as secure as those of the majority; of *Liberty*, that is not License, nor Anarchy, nor Licentiousness, nor the Despotism of party; and by which men are free, but not *too* free: of *Fraternity*, in that sober sense which regards men as the children of a common Father, to be loved when good, pitied and not hated, when bad, persuaded and not persecuted when in error: Of *Equality*, in the eye of the Law, in political rights and in the rights of conscience.

But it is not its mission to engage in plots and conspiracies against the Civil Government. It is not the fanatical propagandist of any creed or theory; nor does it proclaim itself the general enemy of Kings. It contracts no entangling alliances with any Sect of Theorists, dreamers or political philosophers. It sits apart from all, in its own calm dignity and simplicity; the same in a Republic as under a Monarch; the same in Turkey as at the Rock of Plymouth; the same now as when the foundations of the first Temple at Jerusalem were laid.

It recognises the truth of the proposition that *necessity*, as well as abstract ideal *right* and *justice*, plays a part in the making of laws, the administration of government and the regulation of relations in Society; and rules, indeed, in all the affairs of men. It knows that Freedom follows *fitness* for freedom, as the consequence follows the cause; and that no people will be *really* free, until they are *fit* to govern themselves. Therefore, it does not preach sedition nor encourage rebellion by a people or a race, when it can only end in disaster and defeat; or, if successful, in bloodshed and barbarism, and at last a worse servitude than before.

But wherever a people is *fitted* to be free, and generously strives to become so, there go all its sympathies. It hates and detests the Tyrant and the lawless oppressor, and him who abuses a lawful power. It frowns upon cruelty, and a wanton disregard of the rights of Humanity; and it is the enemy of the despotism of mob and autocrat alike. It is the votary of Liberty and Justice. Life's length, it tells its initiates, is not measured by its hours and days; but by that which we have *done* therein for our country and our kind. An useless life is short, if it last a century; but

that of Alexander was long as the life of oaks, though he died at thirty-five. If we but eat and drink and sleep, and let every thing go on around us as it pleases ; or if we live but to amass wealth, or gain offices, or wear titles, we might as well not have lived at all.

In all times, Humanity has had three chief Enemies ; the Despotism of ROYAL POWER, claiming to rule by Divine Right ; the insolence, cruelty, and blood-thirstiness of THE SACERDOTAL POWER, armed with the rack, the stake, and the gibbet ; and the haughty pretensions of RANK, CASTE and PRIVILEGE, fenced about with exclusiveness, and indignant when Truth and Right have seemed about to interfere with and diminish their "vested rights," by elevating the people to the dignity of manhood.

These three have always been the implacable enemies of Human Liberty ; and for many centuries the People gained ground, only when Pontiffs brought Kings to their knees, or the Throne made head against the insolent domineering of God's vicars ; when the king ostracised and decimated his haughty nobles ; or the nobles made concessions to the citizens and people, to enlist them against the crown.

Masonry was made to be THE ORDER OF THE PEOPLE. It has ever exerted its influence on the side of civil and religious liberty ; of emancipation of both the muscles and the mind of all that were fit to be free ; of education and enlightenment ; of the elevation of the oppressed masses of Humanity to that level of Equality on which they ought to stand.

Opposition to Regal Tyranny made the government of Masonry democratic : Hatred of Sacerdotal usurpation and intolerance dedicated its Lodges to the Sts. John, opened its doors to men of all creeds, and closed them against sectarian discussions ; and its adoption of a founder and worker in metals, the son of a poor Phœnician widow, as the Hero of its legend, evidences its hostility to the unjust privileges of oligarchies and aristocracies, and to Orders that by means of monopolies that weigh heavily on the shoulders of the people, live in luxurious and arrogant idleness.

It desires to see despotism every where dethroned, and constitutional government established in its place ; the Sacerdotal Power of all Churches become like that which the Apostles exercised in the first days of Christianity ; the ways to rank and civil employment, to office and honors, open to all whose merits and capacity entitle them to aspire : and therefore this now is, as it always was, its motto :

*"Devotion to the interests of the People ; detestation of Tyranny ; sacred regard for the rights of Free Thought, Free Speech, and Free Conscience ; implacable hostility to Intolerance, Bigotry, Arrogance and*

*"Usurpation; respect and regard for labor, which makes human nature noble; and scorn and contempt for all monopolies that minister to insolent and pampered luxury."*

Bro. the Count de FERNIG said, in the Central Grand Lodge of the Scottish Rite in France, in 1843: "Man, frail and feeble, should be upheld by Scottish Masonry. It should elevate him, without changing his proper nature, or allowing him to become corrupted. It repudiates the dogma that commands the death of the Senses; as it rejects the philosophy that exalts sensualism. It closes alike the books of Zeno and those of Epicurus. It believes in the Grand Architect of the universe, in the immortality of the soul, in the necessity of moderating and governing the human passions, to make of them human virtues.

"This is the substance of our precepts. Upon these bases the Supreme Council desires to erect that luminous Temple to which the Wise of every country and of all religions may repair.

"But to effect that, we must be convinced that no efforts are insignificant, and no aid is unimportant. We are all fractions of the great Social Unit. We all play a part, more or less brilliant, more or less active, but always certain and always real, in this world. An edifice is not composed of great ashlar alone. There are materials of secondary appearance, which assist in producing its symmetry, its solidity and even its beauty. With us, too, nothing is without its use. It is necessary that every Brother should be a Mason, not only in the Lodge, but in the world; that he should preach as well by his example as with his lips; that he should cultivate wisdom, practice Fraternity, in its fullest sense, respect justice, and cause it to be respected; and then, whether he be an humble workman among the masses, or one who sits in the councils of kings, he will worthily have accomplished his task.

"Thus acting, we shall show that Masonry contains those fruitful germs, that it is for the interest of every Prince and of every country to seek to develope.

"When the founders of our Order exiled politics from our Temples, they were far from meaning that we ought to exercise no influence upon society; but they desired that this influence should be pure, severe and moral. They fixed the seat of our power beyond the storms of the outer world, at the domestic hearth. They commanded us to make the man and the family better; for they knew that the power that forms habits and morals, dictates laws.

"They did not conceal it from themselves, that many generations must



pass away, before the object would be attained. They knew the weaknesses also of the human heart. They knew that the children of the Grand Architect would wish to create, like Him, with a word and gesture, without the aid of Time, which alone makes fruitful and ripens. Haughty and unavailing desire! Let *us* have aims more moderate! Let *us* learn to be patient, to be not discouraged, not to repine, if we do not see the work crowned with success, before we close our eyes upon this world! What is a single moment in Eternity? and because the leaf drops upon the root, does the tree therefore cease to grow? Let us again and again turn the furrows ploughed by our fathers, and the field will not become a field of tares!"

At the same feast, the Bro.: PHILIPPE DUPIN said: "At Rome, the child who, born to Patrician rank, was destined to the perilous honors of the conduct of public affairs, seeing in the *Atrium* only the statues of his ancestors, their foreheads cinctured with triumphal coronets, was, as it were, reared under their eyes; and urged by their inspiring presence, he naturally rose to their level; at least he endeavored to do so. In the same thought that antique adage of our fathers had its origin: NOBLESSE OBLIGE.

"So, my Brethren, while we study history, and contemplate the glorious past of those who lived and fought under our banners, let us too be nobly proud; and say, MAÇONNERIE OBLIGE! Yes, MASONRY is OBLIGATION! for it has been the forerunner of civilization. In its proscribed Temples, all the truths have found, sometimes a cradle, and sometimes a refuge: and when the world was vexed with savage virtues and stupid superstitions, it purified beliefs, it raised altars to Toleration, to Pity, to Justice, to all those holy Images that now give light to the world. MAÇONNERIE OBLIGE: for when Intolerance furiously preached the worship of Gods made by the hands of men, it was in corporations, in secret societies, in *Masonic Societies*, that by the title of "Grand Architect of the Universe," a God was proclaimed, Creator, Preserver and Supreme Judge of the human race. It was there that men learned to defend the great principles of Liberty of Conscience and Free Thought; that is to say, the doctrine of improvement and progress, in relation both to the intellect and the heart, to intelligence and virtue. For that doctrine our fathers fought. The struggle was fierce, sanguinary, glorious. You have your Heroes, Sages, Martyrs. You possess the immense glory of having triumphed for the happiness of all.

"But now, when the hand of Intolerance is no longer armed with the

steel, when your Temples have august protectors, and society walks in your paths, are you to conclude that Masonry has lived its time, accomplished its task, and may rest from its labors? Are we now to seek in indolent repose the reward of our toils? That would be to mistake at once the object of the Institution, the condition of society, and the demands of the generous mission to which we have devoted ourselves.

"When the despotism of blind superstition was tyrant over the world, Masonry, naked of material power, ruled and reigned in the domain of ideas; protested for the present, and sought to enlighten the future. Now, in the elevated sphere it occupies, it should still reign and rule, to complete its work, perhaps by a different course. Thus men's beliefs are no longer rude and savage, and Masonry does not need to soften and combat them; but now, that creeds have become enfeebled and emasculated by the mere effect of civilization, is it not the noble duty of Masonry to endeavor to give them new life and vigor, and to develop what in them is true, consolatory, just, useful and venerable? You have heretofore set limits to all excesses, and you ought to do so again: you should maintain order in institutions, among men, in ideas; and precisely because you have heretofore warred against excesses and errors that were to be deplored, it is now your mission to war against excesses and errors in the opposite direction.

"You profess, as the basis of your doctrine, the law of Equality, of Fraternity among men, of Liberty for all; but you ought also to teach all men the true meaning and representative value of those words, which may enlighten and instruct, but may also lead astray and bewilder: for you, by your studies, and by the practical life of your Lodges, have learned what they mean and what they command.

"To you, as to all men of progress, the word 'Equality' means Equality as of right, for equal virtues and equal capacities; a share in the same advantages, for those who, by equal titles, deserve them. To understand it in any other sense, is contrary to the principles of morality and justice, and to the teachings of Nature herself.

"Does it not belong to you, to you, who have always been the defenders of liberty, to declare the austere duties which it imposes on all; and to demonstrate that it can have no solid basis, unless it be built upon virtue and respect of the rights of others? Does not the voice of Masonry still need to incite to fraternal union all men and every people? That is its mission. It embraces the two Hemispheres in the vast circle of fraternal

beneficence. For your sphere of action is not narrowed and limited by the frontiers of this realm. Masonry is of all countries, as she is of all times."

As long ago as 1741, the Grand Master, the Duc d'ANTIN, said: "The whole world is only one Republic, of which every nation is a family, and every individual a child. The sublime art of Masonry, without interfering with the different duties which the diversity of States exacts, tends to create a new People, which, made up from many nations, cements them all, as it were, together, by the cohesive power of Science, Morality and Virtue." Time has enabled us to improve but little upon this definition.

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The answer to the inquiry, what Masonry *is*, would be very incomplete, if nothing were said of its *philosophy*; and yet I have time to say but little.

Masonry is as little a religious sect as it is a political party. As it embraces all parties, so it embraces all sects, to form from among them all a vast fraternal association. The morals of antiquity, of the law of Moses, and of Christianity, are ours. We recognize every teacher of Morality, every Reformer, as a Brother. No one Mason has the right to measure for another, within the walls of a Masonic Temple, the degree of veneration which he shall feel for any Reformer, or the Founder of any Religion. We teach a belief in no particular creed, as we teach *un-belief* in none. In all religions there is a basis of Truth; in all there are *fragments* at least of pure Morality. All that teach the cardinal tenets of Masonry, we respect; all teachers and reformers of mankind, we admire and revere.

We do not undervalue the importance of any Truth. We utter no word that can be deemed irreverent by any one of any faith. We do not tell the Moslem that it is only important for him to believe that there is but one God, and wholly unessential whether Mahomet was his prophet. We do not tell the Hebrew that the Messiah whom he expects was born in Bethlehem nearly two thousand years ago, and substituted a better faith in the place of the law of Moses. And as little do we tell the sincere Christian that Jesus of Nazareth was but a man like us, or his history but the unreal revival of an older legend. To do either, is beyond our jurisdiction. Masonry, of no one age, belongs to all time; of no one religion, it finds its great truths in all.

It is not disbelief nor scepticism. It has its own creed, simple and sublime, to which every good man of every religion can assent. It expounds all the old philosophies, and modestly and not oracularly utters its own.

To every Mason, there is a God,—ONE, SUPREME, INFINITE in Goodness, in Wisdom, Foresight, Justice and Benevolence; CREATOR, DISPOSER and PRESERVER of all things. How, or by what intermediates, Powers or Emanations He creates and acts, and in what way He unfolds and manifests Himself, Masonry leaves to Creeds and Religions to inquire.

To every Mason, the soul of man is immortal. Whether it emanated from, and will return to, God, and what is to be its continued mode of existence hereafter, each judges for himself. Masonry was not made to settle that.

To every Mason, WISDOM or INTELLIGENCE, FORCE or STRENGTH, and HARMONY, or FITNESS, PROPORTION and BEAUTY, are the Trinity of the Attributes of God. With the subtleties of Philosophy and Scholasticism concerning them, Masonry does not meddle, nor decide as to the *reality* of the supposed Existences that are their Personifications; nor whether the Christian's Trinity be such a Personification, or a Reality of the gravest import and significance.

To every Mason, the Infinite Justice and Benevolence of God give ample assurance that Evil will ultimately be dethroned, and the Good, the True and the Beautiful reign triumphant and eternal. It teaches that Evil and Pain and Sorrow exist as parts of a wise and beneficent plan, all the parts of which work together under God's eye, to a result which will be perfection. Whether the existence of Evil is rightly explained in this creed or in that; by Typhon, the Great Serpent; by Ahriman and his army of wicked spirits; by the Giants and Titans warring against Heaven; by the two co-existent, co-eternal principles of Good and Evil; by Satan's temptation and the fall of man; it is beyond the domain of Masonry to decide, and it does not even inquire. Nor is it within its province to determine how the ultimate triumph of Light and Truth and Good, over Darkness and Error and Evil is to be achieved.

Thus it disbelieves no truth, and teaches unbelief in no creed; except so far as such creed may lower its own lofty estimate of the Deity, degrade him to the level of the passions of Humanity, deny the high destiny of man, impugn God's goodness and infinite benevolence, strike at the great

columns of Masonry, CHARITY, HOPE and FAITH, or inculcate immorality, and disregard of the active duties of life.

It is not a religion, but a WORSHIP; and one in which all civilized men can unite; for it does not undertake to explain, or dogmatically to settle those great mysteries, that are above the feeble comprehension of our human intellect. It trusts in God, and HOPES: it BELIEVES, like a child, and is humble: It draws no sword to compel others to adopt its belief or be happy with its hopes: And it WAITS with patience to understand the mysteries of nature and nature's God hereafter.

The first great Truth in Masonry is: No man hath seen God at any time. He is ONE, ETERNAL, All-powerful, All-wise, Infinitely Just, Merciful, Benevolent and Compassionate; Creator and Preserver of all things, the Source of Light and Life, co-extensive with Time and Space, Eternal as one and Infinite as the other; Who thought, and with the thought created the Universe, and all living things, and the Souls of Men: THAT WHICH IS: the PERMANENT: while every thing besides Him is a perpetual Genesis: That His Justice, Wisdom and Mercy are *alike infinite, alike perfect*, and yet do not in the least jar or conflict one with the other.

While the first oaks still put forth their leaves, man lost the perfect knowledge of the One True God, the ancient absolute EXISTENCE, the Infinite MIND and Supreme INTELLIGENCE; and floated helplessly out upon the shoreless ocean of conjecture. Then the Intellect vexed and tortured itself with seeking to learn whether the material universe was a mere chance combination of atoms, or the work of Infinite uncreated wisdom: .....whether every thing Material and Spiritual was created by the Deity out of nothing; or whether matter and He were co-existent, and creation only the moulding into shape of chaos: ....whether the universe was God, or God was the soul of the Universe, pervading every part of it; or an independent existence, separate and apart from the Universe; a *personal* Existence; .....whether with ever-present and ever-recurring immediate personal action He produces the continual succession of phenomena and effects; or whether those effects are but the results of an unchangeable law enacted by Him in the remote ages of Eternity. All their Philosophies, struggle as they might to avoid the perilous abyss, ended in one of the two conclusions; either that there is *no* God, or that *all that exists* is God,—in theoretical *Atheism* or *Pantheism*; and so they wandered ever deeper into the darkness and were lost, and there was for them no longer any real God, but only a great dumb Universe.

Atheism, it is true, never was more than a theory. "It has been said," a great Thinker writes, "Death is the end : this is a world without a God : "There is no Providence : Nature is a fortuitous concourse of atoms ; "thought is a fortuitous function of matter, a fortuitous result of a fortuitous result, a chance shot from the great wind-gun of the Universe, accidentally loaded, pointed at random, and shot off by chance. Things *happen* ; they are not *arranged*. There is *luck*, and there is *ill-luck* ; "but there is no *Providence*. There is only a Universe all *disorder* : no "Infinite, no Reason, no Conscience, no Heart, no Soul of things ; nothing "to reverence, to esteem, to love, to worship, to trust in ; but only an ugly "FORCE, alien and foreign to us, that strikes down those we love, and "makes us mere worms on the hot sand of the world. Out of the sky "smiles no kind Providence, in all its thousand starry eyes ; and in storms, "a malignant VIOLENCE, with its lightning-sword, stabs into the darkness, "seeking for men to murder.

"Man never could be content with that,—to believe that there was no "Mind that thought for man, no *Conscience* to enact eternal laws, no *Heart* "to love those whom nothing of earth loves or cares for, no *Will* of the "Universe to marshal the nations in the way of justice, wisdom and "love. History is not the fortuitous concourse of events, or nature that "of atoms. He cannot believe that there is no plan nor purpose in nature, "to guide our going out or coming in ; that there is a mighty *going*, but "it goes *no-where* ; that all beauty, wisdom, affection, justice and morality "in the world, is an *accident*, and may end to-morrow."

All that is well and truly said. Masonry admits its truth, and not only requires of the aspirant within its Temples to profess a belief in the existence of a God ; but before he is made a Mason, to unite in prayer to Him, and declare that in Him he puts his trust. With that it is for the time content ; but afterwards it endeavors to communicate to him adequate and rational ideas of the Grand Architect of the Universe ; that *honor* the Deity and are not idolatry.

Most truly it was said : "It is not profanity to deny the Deity of the "ignorant vulgar ; but to assign to Him the attributes imagined by them, "is profanity." Most truly it has been said : "Verily, verily, travelers "have seen many monstrous idols in many countries ; but no human eyes "have ever beheld more daring, gross and shocking images of the Divine "nature, than we creatures of the dust make in our own likenesses, of our "own bad passions, impiously reversing the order of creation, and breathing our own spirit into a mental image and idol of the Creator."

So it has been truly said by another, that "every religion and every conception of God is idolatrous, in so far as it is imperfect; and as it substitutes a feeble and temporary idea in the shrine of that Undiscoverable Being, who can be known only in part, and who can therefore be honored, even by the most enlightened among his worshippers, only in proportion to their limited powers of understanding and imaging to themselves His perfections."

No symbol of Deity can be appropriate or durable, except in a relative or moral sense. We cannot exalt words that have only a *sensuous* meaning, *above* sense. To call Him a POWER, or a FORCE, or an INTELLIGENCE, is merely to deceive ourselves into the belief that we use words that have a meaning to us; while really they have no more than the ancient visible symbols had. To call him SOVEREIGN, FATHER; GRAND ARCHITECT OF HEAVEN AND EARTH; EXTENSION; TIME; BEGINNING, MIDDLE AND END; WHOSE FACE IS TURNED ON ALL SIDES; THE SOURCE OF LIFE AND DEATH; is but to hold out to other men certain mental symbols, by which we in vain endeavor to communicate to them the same vague ideas which men in all ages have impotently struggled to express, and it may be doubted whether we have succeeded, either in communicating, or in forming in our own minds, any more distinct and definite, and true and adequate ideas of the Deity, in any other than His *moral* aspect, with all our metaphysical conceits and logical subtleties, than the rude ancients did, who endeavored to symbolize, and so to express His attributes, by the Fire, the Light, the Sun and Stars, the Lotus and the Scarabæus; all of them *types*, of what, except *by* types, more or less sufficient, could not and cannot be expressed at all.

The Heathen Gods were unrealities, and mere ideal personifications, either of the Heavenly Bodies, the Powers of Nature, or the Principles of Light and Darkness, Good and Evil. The ancients worshipped the Powers of Nature in the constellations, and the constellations in the animals imaged there. But always there were a few who believed that there was but one only True God, who has no bodily shape, and hath never been seen by any man; who is not the Light nor the Fire; but pure absolute Intellect and Existence; a Personality, existing before the Universe, which He created with a Thought; that the Past, the Present and the illimitable Future, the infinite series of events and successions of Time in both directions are all present to Him at one and the same moment. There is to HIM no FUTURE and no PAST. He is present every where, and there is to HIM

neither **THERE** nor **ELSEWHERE**; but every thing, to Him, is **HERE** and **Now**; that He is necessarily unchangeable, immutable, infinitely just, wise and powerful, yet infinitely merciful, loving and benevolent; and can neither be angry nor repent.

And so Masonry says to its Initiates this: "God is One; Unapproachable, Single, Eternal and Unchanging; and not that Supposed God of Nature, whose manifold power was imagined to be immediately revealed to the Senses in the incessant round of movement, life and death.

"The **MANIFOLD** is an infinite illustration of the One. The Forces of Nature are the laws enacted by the absolute Uncreated Existence. In the absence of Creation by Him, no attribute could have been appended to His name. By the Emanations of His Omnipotence we become conscious of His abstract Being; and the **ELOHIM**, by which He created all that is, are His creative Powers, and a part of those Emanations.

"All the Gods of the Heathen are false idols; because, being but men's attributes and passions enlarged and personified, they are wholly unreal and have no existence. There is but one God, infinite and incomprehensible, to whom no human attribute can be properly assigned, even when imagined to be infinite.

"The **POWERS** of God are not *Persons* nor *Beings* distinct from Him; but His **THOUGHTS**, immaterial as *our* Thoughts, and existing in Him, as Thoughts exist in our own Souls.

"God is the Soul of the Universe, distinct from and superior to the Universe of things, as the Soul of man is distinct from and superior to his frail body.

"There is no *rival* God ever at war with **THE INEFFABLE**; nor any independent and self-existent Evil Principle in rebellion against him. The Universe is a great whole, in which every thing tends to a good result, through an infinite series of things; like a great harmony in which discords and concords mingle, and which, without either, would be imperfect."

Man, his intellect too limited to *comprehend* these mysteries, must *believe*; and simple faith is wiser than all the vain speculations of Philosophy.

Let him steer far away from all those vain Philosophies, that endeavor to account for all that is, without admitting that there is a God, separate and apart from the Universe, which is his work; that erect Universal Nature into a God, and worship it alone; that annihilate spirit, and believe no testimony except that of the bodily senses; that by logical formulas and dexterous collocation of words make the actual, living, guiding and pro-



tecting God fade into the dim mistiness of a mere abstraction and unreality, itself a mere logical formula.

In all ages, the golden threads of Truth have gleamed in the woof of Error. Fortunate the Mason, who, by the Light of Wisdom, the True Masonic LIGHT, first Emanation from the Deity, can discern the golden threads, God's hieroglyphics, written when Time began; and read them aright, as they were read by our Ancient Brethren in the early ages!

Thus in all ages the WORD of God, His THOUGHT, the Great Creative Power, not spoken through material organs nor in a voice audible to mortal ears, has sounded in the souls of men, and taught them the great Truths of Reason, Philosophy and Religion. Fortunate the Mason, to whom that WORD, the Deity Manifest, is audible, intelligible, significant; God's THOUGHT, that made the Stars, and all that is, and the Great Laws of Harmony and Motion!

In all ages, rosy gleams of light, tinging the dark clouds of Error, have taught mankind that Truth and Light, perfect and glorious, linger below the Horizon of Mortal Vision, in time to rise, like the Sun, and fill God's Universe with light and glory, at the Dawn of His appointed day. Fortunate the Mason, who with firm faith and hope accepts these struggling rays that gild the clouds, as ample evidence that, in God's good time, His Dawn of day will come, and be eternal!

The existence of a God, who is the immaterial soul of the Universe, present in it everywhere, and yet wholly distinct from it, is a mystery beyond our comprehension; but no more so than the existence of the soul of man, the advent of light to the earth from the remotest stars, after journeying many thousand years, the presence of latent electricity and heat in the most solid bodies:—and the existence of a Soulless Universe, without a God and uncreated by a God, would be a greater mystery, and more incomprehensible still.

The idea that God never *began* to exist, but always *was*, is one beyond our comprehension, and which the soul struggles in vain to grasp; but not more so than the idea of space infinite in extent, and time infinite in duration:—and it would be a far greater mystery, if, after an eternity, during which there had been no God, during which there had been everywhere in infinite space blank nothingness; never during a whole eternity of Time an echo of a Thought; God, without a cause, had begun to be.

That the Thought and Will of God, uttered in the word, are an infinite, omnipotent Power, of Creation and Production, of Preservation and

Destruction, that brought into existence out of Nothingness, the whole infinite Universe of Worlds, is a mystery, the greatest of all mysteries, we are in the habit of thinking; but it is as comprehensible as the existence of a Soul, of a Thought that can separate itself from and go out of the Soul; that can live after the utterer is dead; that is an actual Power, and moulds the fates, and influences the destinies, of Humanity:—and it would be a greater mystery still, if the material Universe, not instinct with a Soul, nor having a Creator, and without a Producing Cause, had existed always, or had sprung into existence of itself.

The action of the will of one man on the conduct of another; the unknown, invisible, immaterial power that draws the magnet round with irresistible energy to the North, the development of the acorn into the oak, the phenomena of dreams, are equally mysteries and equally incomprehensible to us. God is a mystery, only as everything that surrounds us is; and as we are mysteries to ourselves.

GOD LIVES, AND IS IMMORTAL. His Thought, that *created, preserves*. It conducts and controls the Universe, all spheres, all worlds, all actions of mankind, and of every animate and inanimate creature. It speaks in the soul of every man that lives. The Stars, the Earth, the Trees, the Winds, the universal voice of Nature, Tempest and Avalanche, the Sea's roar and the grave voice of the Water-fall, the hoarse thunder, and the soft whisper of the brook, the ice-mountains sailing in Northern Seas, the song of birds, the voices of Love, the speech of Men, all are the alphabet in which it communicates itself to men, and informs them of the will and law of God, "who made and blesses all."

Before the world grew old, the primitive Truth and Knowledge faded out of men's minds. Then man asked himself: "*What am I? and how and whence am I? and whither do I go?*" And the soul, looking inward upon itself, endeavored to learn whether that "I," that was conscious of its own individuality and identity, were mere matter, its thought, reason, passions and affections mere results of material combination; or whether it were an Immaterial existence, enveloped in, and environed by the impediments of, matter; whether it were an individual essence, complete and perfect by itself, with a separate and inherently immortal life; or an infinitesimal portion of a great FIRST PRINCIPLE or UNIVERSAL SOUL, that interpenetrates the Universe, extends through the infinitudes of space, and undulates like light and heat; and so they wandered further and further on amid the mazes of Error, and imagined vain philoso-

phies, wallowing in the sloughs of materialism and sensualism, or vainly beating their wings in the vacuum of abstractions and idealities.

But Masonry teaches us that the soul of man is immortal; not the mere result of organization, nor an aggregate of modes of action of matter; not a mere *succession* of phenomena and perceptions; but an EXISTENCE, *one and identical*, a Living Spirit, a spark from the Great Central Light, that hath entered into and dwells in the body, to be separated from it at death, and return to God who gave it; that does not disperse or vanish at death, like breath or a smoke, nor can be annihilated; but still exists and possesses activity and intelligence, even as it existed in God before it was enveloped in the body. It is immortal, not of necessity, but, unless, as it and all things emanated from God, it pleases Him to absorb it again into Himself.

We do not *understand* this; but we *believe*. We struggle to express the Truth, by words that are inadequate. Far in the darkened Past we hear our Ancient Brethren, with stammering utterance, striving to express the same idea of immortality, saying:

"The seed dies, and out of its death springs the young shoot of the new wheat, to produce an hundred-fold.

"The worm dies in its narrow prison-house, woven by itself; and out of its death springs the brilliant moth, emblem of immortality.

"The long-lived serpent dies, and self-renews its own existence; and out of the death of night's sleep, the minor mystery, comes the renewed life of the morning.

"Now, as ever, out of death springs Life; out of Darkness ever awakes the Light; and to Evil in eternal circle Good succeeds."

It is the great problem of Human Existence, whether the Power and Principle of Good is ultimately to dethrone and destroy the Power and Principle of Evil; whether pain and calamity and sin and sorrow are hereafter to disappear from the Universe, and all thenceforward be Light and Joy and Content and Happiness; whether there is another life, in which the malign influences of the Demon of Evil will be unfelt, and where reparation will be made for the sufferings of Virtue, and the calamities of the good, in this life: for it is the Great Problem whether we are better than the brutes that perish; and whether there is a Great, Good, Beneficent FATHER in Heaven, who will in His own good time connect together all the thousand links of circumstance, and make them lead to one good and excellent result.

The laws which control and regulate the Universe, are those of MOVEMENT and HARMONY. We see only the isolated incidents of things, and cannot, with our feeble and limited capacity and vision discern their connection, nor the mighty chords that make the apparent discord perfect harmony. Evil is merely apparent; and all is in reality good and perfect. For pain and sorrow, persecution and calamity, affliction and destitution, sickness and death, are but the means by which alone the noblest virtues can be developed. Without them, and without error and sin, and injury and outrage, as there can be no effect without an adequate cause, there could be neither patience nor prudence, nor temperance, nor courage to meet danger; nor truth when to speak it is hazardous; nor love that lives despite ingratitude; nor charity, nor forbearance and forgiveness, nor toleration, nor charitable judgment of men's motives and actions; nor patriotism, nor heroism, nor self-denial, nor generosity. Human virtues and excellencies would have no existence, their very names be unknown, their natures be entirely incomprehensible to us. Life would be one low, flat, dead level, above which none of the lofty elements of human nature would emerge; and man would lie lapped in contented indolence and apathetic idleness, a mere worthless negative, instead of the brave, strong soldier against the grim legions of Evil and of rude Difficulty.

The Laws of Nature are the development of LOVE, the Universal Law, the Divine motive for Creation. Hence flow attraction and affinities, and the swift flash of the Electric Current; the tides, the clouds, the movements of the world, the influence of will and the mysterious power of magnetism. Nature is one great HARMONY; and of that Harmony, every human soul is a tone. From God it flows in never-ceasing circles, as Light and Splendor from his Sun. To him the notes of that harmony return, and mingle with the mighty diapason of the spheres, and are immortal.

Man is not governed by a resistless blind FATE or inexorable dumb DESTINY; but is FREE to chose between the Evil and the Good. We are *conscious* of our freedom to act, as we are conscious of our existence and continuing identity. "We have the same evidence of one as of the other; if we can put *one* in doubt, we have no certainty of *either*, and everything is unreal: and we can deny our free-will and free-agency, only upon the ground that they are in the nature of things impossible; which would be to deny the Omnipotence of God."

THE MYSTERIES OF THE GREAT UNIVERSE OF GOD! How can we,

with our limited mental vision, expect to grasp and comprehend them? Infinite SPACE, stretching out from us every way, without limit; infinite TIME, without beginning or end; and we, HERE and NOW, in the centre of each: an infinity of Suns, the nearest of which only *diminish* in size, viewed with the most powerful telescope; each with its retinue of worlds; some that we *seem* to see, whose light that now reaches our eyes has been upon its journey for fifty centuries; our world spinning upon its axis, and rushing ever in its circuit round the sun; and it, with the sun and all our special system revolving round some great central point; and that and suns, stars and worlds evermore flashing onward with inconceivable rapidity through illimitable space;—and then, in every drop of water that we drink, incredible multitudes of living creatures, invisible to the naked eye, of a minuteness beyond belief, yet organized, living, feeding, devouring each the other; no doubt with consciousness of identity, and memory and instinct.

Such are the mysteries of the great Universe of God; and yet we would fain know by what process He created it; would understand his Powers, His Attributes, His Emanations, His mode of existence and Action; the plan according to which all events proceed,—that plan profound as God himself; would know the laws by which He controls the Universe; would fain see and talk to Him face to face; and are unwilling to *believe* what we do not *understand*.

He commands us to love one another, to become like little children. He tells us that to love Him and to love our neighbor are the great commandments, obeying which we shall live; and we dispute and wrangle, and hate and persecute each other because we cannot all be of one opinion as to His Essence, or agree upon a complete inventory of His attributes, or believe that this doctrine or that is heresy or truth; drenching the world with blood, depopulating realms, and turning fertile lands into deserts, for the glory of God and to vindicate the truth; until, for religious wars, persecutions and murders, the Earth for many a century has rolled round the Sun, a charnel-house, steaming and reeking with human gore, the blood of brother slain by brother for opinion's sake, that has soaked into and polluted all her veins, and made her a horror to her Sisters of the Universe.

And if all men had always obeyed with all their heart, the mild and gentle teachings of Masonry, that world would always have been a paradise; while Intolerance and Persecution make of it a hell. For this is the

Masonic creed: BELIEVE, in God's infinite benevolence, wisdom and justice; HOPE, for the final triumph of good over evil, and for Perfect Harmony as the final result of all the concords and discords of the Universe; and be CHARITABLE, as God is, towards the unfaith, the errors, the follies and the faults of men; for all are one great Brotherhood.

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Such are the morality and philosophy of Masonry, briefly and imperfectly, but not inaccurately, sketched.

One would naturally suppose that in an Order professing such principles, all would be concord, union and peace; that there would be no rivalries and jealousies, no violent controversies, no ambitious pretensions.

For the initiate has gone but a little way within the Temple, when he hears these words: "The generous man cannot but regret to see dissensions and disputes among his brethren. It is the base and ungenerous only that delight in discord. It is the duty of the Mason to make man think better of his neighbor; to quiet, instead of aggravating, difficulties; to bring together those who are severed and estranged; to save friends from becoming foes, and to persuade foes to become friends. Control your own temper and govern your own passions, and so fit yourself to keep peace and harmony among your Brethren. Masonry is the realm of Peace; and every Brother has been taught the lesson that among Masons there must be no *dissension*, but only that noble *emulation*, which can best *work* and best *agree*. Wherever there is strife and hatred among the Brethren, there is so far no Masonry; for Masonry is Harmony and Union. Ambition is or ought to be an alien and unwelcome among Masons; ambition, selfish, restless, circumventing, unjust, unscrupulous and slanderous."

From the Masonic Temple, every selfish and hateful thought ought to be exiled; and in it all wrongs and injuries forgiven and forgotten. Peace, and concord should be the Angels of the House; and Masons be no more divided by vain and empty disputes and quarrels.

Yet there have always been in Masonry dissensions, jealousies, disputes and schisms, contests for power, disputes as to rank, quarrels about legiti-

macy ; that have done much to deprive the Order of the world's respect, and diminish its capacity for usefulness.

In England there was for many years a bitter controversy between the two Grand Lodges of London and York, each branding the other as illegitimate. In France, for twenty years, a like controversy between the old Grand Lodge of France and the Grand Orient ; and afterwards for nearly forty years between the Grand Orient and the Supreme Council. In New York there have been for several years, and are yet, two or three Grand Lodges. The whole Masonic world is now debating the legitimacy of a new Grand Lodge lately established in Canada ; and in Louisiana two distinct bodies claim to administer the Scottish Rite, and one of them is at feud with this Grand Lodge.

While I have something to say of these last feuds, my chief purpose is to speak of the feeling, hostile on the part of many members of the prevalent Rite, and on the part of most not cordial, towards the only other Rite to any extent practised among us.

Not many years ago, I knew nothing of Masonry, except what was included in the ceremonial and within the limits of what we ordinarily term, for brevity, *the York Rite*. I heard of the "*cumulation of Rites*" by the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, with much the same feeling with which a Puritan would hear of the ceremonies of the Moslem worship being performed in a Calvinistic Church. I imagined that the Scottish and French Rites of Masonry were not Masonry at all, but rank heresy, a sort of Masonic Socinianism, Deism, or perhaps Atheism. The same feeling still prevails among the mass of Masons in the United States. Comparatively few of them even now understand that a Master, knowing the three first degrees of the Scottish or French Rite, only, can rightfully be allowed to visit our American Lodges, no matter how regular the body in which he received those degrees ; and in almost every one of our States, the proposition to allow a Lodge to work in either of those Rites would be received with a shout of disapprobation. When the Grand Lodge of Louisiana declared that it did not deem the *ritual* of the degrees important, the declaration was met by an almost unanimous dissent ; and the *formulas* were held to be essential and sacramental. The general feeling is, that the Mason who devotes himself at all to the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, deserts his flag and goes over to the enemy ; and the Saviour's maxim is sourly repeated for our benefit, that no man can serve both God and mammon.

Is there, then, any reason or foundation for this narrow prejudice? Is Scottish Masonry a *heresy*? or is it antagonistic to the *popular* Masonry practised in our country? The question is not difficult to answer.

Masonry, originating or reviving in England, some time prior to the commencement of the eighteenth century, passed over into France. The three blue degrees have always remained the same, *substantially*, in both countries. As they forbade anything being committed to writing, and required the ceremonial to be retained in the memory alone; of course, the *language* continually changed, and the *forms* were as much as possible *shortened*, to suit the feeble memories of many of the Masters; and thus the formulas used in the two countries continually diverged—phrases were changed, sentences were omitted here, added there, shortened and condensed in one country or under one authority, lengthened and expanded in another country and under another power.

When LAURENCE DERMOTT commenced his successful rebellion, which ended in Revolution, he made great changes in the Ritual, and mutilated the Master's degree, cutting off part of it, and making the part so cut off, with additions of his own, into a *Christian* degree, the Royal Arch. The Grand Lodge of England long refused to accept this innovation, but finally did so, at the Union of 1813. Since that innovation, a Master Mason is only so in name, for he does not receive the promised *reward* of his labors, but only a *substitute*. The promise made him is not kept.

By this mutilation, and the other retrenchments and abbreviations caused by frailty of memory, the third degree was shorn of much of its original splendor; and much that is common-place has found entrance into it.

Still further changes in all three of the degrees have been made in *this* country. The Lectures or Catechisms have been re-modeled, parts of that of one degree transposed, and clumsily inserted into that of another, and the whole arranged, or rather *disarranged*, according to the taste of one or two persons who thought it was their mission to *improve* English Masonry, and to whom one of our Rites owes some of its degrees.

France, fond of pomp and impressiveness, soon added to the original ceremonies, in the incidents and accessories. The language, the peculiar phrases, to which many Masons attach so much importance, have been considerably changed; and there are slight differences in the mode of recognition. One Rite in France followed English Masonry in transposing two of the words; and the other did not.

But the *substance* and *essence* of the degrees, in *both* of the Rites prac-



iced in France, remained the same as in England, and are the same to this day. A Mason is as much a Mason, as genuine a Mason, and as good a Mason, made by authority of the Grand Orient of France, or the Supreme Council, as one made by authority of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

I am well aware that this assertion will startle many of our Brethren, and especially those who think that Masonry would die the death, if certain set phrases and peculiar sentences, and particular turns of expressions were forgotten or altered; who think that one is a *bright* Mason if he can accurately repeat by heart a formal lecture by question and answer, give the degrees according to rule, and open and close the Lodge by the stereotyped formula. I do not undervalue this accuracy. It is useful and proper; but it is no more *Masonry*, than red-tapeism is statesmanship. It is the *soul and spirit* of the degrees that really constitute Masonry. The words and phrases are but the *body*.

It is perhaps not known to all Masons that there are two Rites in France, and that there are differences in the work of the symbolic degrees, as conferred in them. One is the *Rite Francais*, or *Rit Moderne*, the French or Modern Rite, worked by the Grand Orient, consisting of seven degrees, the three first of which are our three Blue degrees, and the seventh the Rose Croix, or the 18th of the Scottish Rite. The other is the *Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite*, of thirty-three degrees, the first three of which are also our three Blue degrees. This Rite is administered by the Supreme Council of France, and also by the Grand Orient, which besides its own Rite proper, claims to administer *all* other Rites, and has in its bosom a Supreme Council.

The different degrees of the different Rites, above the third, were invented at different periods, and by different persons. Some were originally intended as commentaries on the Master's degree; some to perpetuate the hope for vengeance of the Templars; some to gain adherents for the Stuarts; some to teach magic, the kabbala and alchemy; some to inculcate natural religion; others for philosophical or moral instruction; and many for nothing but to sell. The number swelled in the whole to several hundred; and fifteen or twenty Rites were practiced in different parts of Europe.

One who reads the Rituals of many of the obsolete degrees, will be astonished that intelligent men ever could have occupied themselves with such follies, and had the patience to repeat such common-places. Children, even, of ordinary sense, would have rejected them with disdain.

But all were not so; and out of the whole number, those who framed

the Scottish Rite selected twenty-nine of the best, twenty-one of which had for many years belonged to the Rite of Perfection ; and adding them to the three first degrees, completed their scale up to the thirty-second.

Gradually improved and modified, these degrees, though still far from perfect, have become for the most part, a series of commentaries upon, and a development of, the Master's degree. Evidently, the amount of Instruction in morals and philosophy that can be communicated or acquired in the course of one short evening, and in a single degree, must be limited, and can be little more than a compendium of texts and hints ; and where the work is all to be retained in the memory, the formulas to be so conferred come by degrees to be deemed the most important portion of the ceremony, and crowd the real instruction to one side, where it is after a time lost sight of and forgotten.

To give the Initiate a *series* of moral lessons, properly developed and enforced, to explain to him the *many* interpretations and applications of the symbols, to make known to him the *full* meaning of the principal legend, by comparing it with those of older initiations, and tracing the coincidences and resemblances ; to repeat to him, and interpret for him, those old philosophies that embodied the conclusions of the ancient mind upon the great questions that never can be uninteresting to man, concerning the nature of the Deity and of himself, his relations with God and the universe, and his ultimate destiny, requires a long course of instruction. Now, as always, *language* is inadequate to express man's ideas in regard to the great truths and mysteries of nature ; and he is compelled to resort to visible *symbols*, which in every age have been the most effectual mode of teaching, and are peculiarly consecrated in Masonry ; and so much of our instruction as is symbolic, can of course only be communicated by dramatic or other representations and appropriate ceremonial ; that is to say, by *degrees* properly and impressively conferred.

The precepts and lessons of Masonry which I have embodied in these lectures, *are part of the teachings of the different degrees of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite*. They are but extracts taken here and there, brief in proportion to the whole, imperfect and fragmentary ; but perhaps not an unfair representation of the spirit and intention of that Rite. My Brethren of the York Rite and of the Royal Arch, tell me if they are not worthy the attention of a Mason ; if there is any thing in them hostile to Blue Masonry ; if they justify us in looking upon the Scottish Rite with either suspicion or derision ?

It is true that these lessons have not been always given. It has been too much a habit merely to *communicate* the degrees, by which they have often come to be regarded as merely the means of investing their possessors with pompous, swelling and empty titles. Ignorance, also, it is true, has been often busy with our Rituals, mutilating and corrupting them, substituting sound in the stead of sense, and mistaking vapid common-places and tiresome twaddle, a shallow sentimentalism or shallower philosophy, the mere froth of a verbal *omelette-soufflée* for profound thoughts and impressive eloquence. Other degrees than those of the *Scottish Rite* have suffered from the same cause; for not genius only loves to innovate, but quite as often imbecility.

I have carefully studied the symbolic degrees in the three principal Rites, the York, the Scottish and the French, and am familiar with the work of each; and with all my original prepossessions and prejudices in favor of the first, and still holding to it true allegiance, truth and candor compel me to say that I cannot see in what respect either of the two others is in those degrees, essentially and substantially inferior to it or different from it. The lessons taught in each degree of the other Rites, are quite as pure and impressive; and the ceremonies are at least equally as solemn and affecting; and, I believe, quite as near the ancient formulas, observed a century or more ago. We are too apt to undervalue what is strange and unusual; and to make our own practices the measure of propriety and excellence of those of others.

The three Rites are but variations of one and the same thing: a Mason made in either is *well* made, and regularly and lawfully made. He assumes the same obligations, makes the same promises, binds himself to perform the same duties, in one as in the other; and neither of the three Rites can with reason or propriety look down upon the other, or claim the right to say to it, like the Pharisee to the Publican: "Stand by! for I am holier than thou!"

Masonry is ONE, while its *Rites* are many; and it says to every one of them, as it says to every individual Mason: "Suffer others to be praised in thy presence, and entertain their good and glory with delight; but at no hand disparage them, or lessen their report, or make an objection; remembering that we usually disparage others upon slight grounds and little instances." We all belong to THE ONE GRAND LODGE, which extends from East to West and from North to South. We all kneel

at the same altar; and we owe each other that respect and kindness, which our common relation and common approach to one God should inspire.

No one of the three Rites can with any justice look upon the other as a heretical sect; for there is no sectarianism in Masonry. We may well rejoice that there is in our country no actual and open hostility between the Rites; and that if there is no *union* among them, there is at least *Peace*. That fortunate state of things is in very great measure owing to the wise course pursued by the legitimate authorities of the Scottish Rite, the two Supreme Councils, for the Northern and Southern jurisdiction of the United States, in waiving, in favor of the Grand Lodges, their right of administration of the three first degrees; a concession made for the sake of Peace and Harmony, which a true Mason cannot fail to honor and appreciate.

But it should never be forgotten that to deny to a Rite the character of genuine Masonry, to refuse to admit into full communion and fellowship the members of that Rite, to look upon it with unfavorable or disdainful eyes, is always likely to be the precursor of proscription, and the preliminary to a declaration of hostilities; to that state of war which existed for many years in France between the French and Scottish Rites, between the Grand Orient and the Supreme Council.

But whatever our opinions may be as to the French or Scottish Rite as a whole, or as to the *Higher* degrees of either, that has little to do with the three *Symbolic* degrees. A Master Mason in the French or Scottish Rite, may be as bitterly opposed to the *higher* degrees, as one in the York Rite. Those degrees have never been more soundly berated and vilified, than by *French* Masons of both Rites—by *Ragon, Clavel, Chemin Dupontés, Moreau and Boubée*. Out of Louisiana, scarcely a Mason in the Union, who has received the higher degrees, administered by the Supreme Councils, has ever received the three first degrees in any other than the York Rite, or knows any thing about the working of those degrees in the other Rites. The Supreme Councils give no instruction as to that.

A *Rite* is a scale or collection of degrees. The *French* Rite consists of seven degrees, the *Scottish* of thirty-three, the Rite of *Perfection* of twenty-five. The two latter are different Rites, though the three first degrees of each are precisely the same. It is not correct to say that any Symbolic Lodge works the Scottish or French *Rite*, because they only work three degrees; while each *Rite* consists of them and others. The proper expres-

sion to be used is—that such a Lodge works the three degrees according to the formula used in the Scottish or French Rite.

We have already said that these three degrees are the same, substantially, in all of these Rites. None of the inventors of the Higher degrees meddled with *these*. Ramsay made no change in *them*, though he invented some of the higher degrees. No Masonic Power or authority, of the French or Scottish Rite, ever formally made any change in the Rituals. All the changes made are merely the results of lapse of time and other ordinary circumstances, that produce change in every thing sublunary.

American Masons, many of them, at least, think that the York Ritual is the same now that it always was—unchanged and immutable. There never was a grosser mistake. *Our Ritual is not as nearly the original work, as either the French or Scottish Ritual.* It has been more changed and patched than either of them, and by more unskilful workmen.

The English work went to France in 1721. The first Grand Lodge of France was called the *English Grand Lodge*. It afterwards became *the Grand Lodge of France*. That body *never* worked any other than the three degrees. The Grand Orient, younger, and its rival, never worked any other, until in 1786 it adopted *four* of the higher degrees, and began to constitute *chapters* in which to work them. But all the time the old English work in the three first degrees was retained, and has never undergone any other than *incidental* alterations, such as happen to all human institutions, and much less than was to have been expected in nearly a century and a half.

I think, myself, that it is a great pity we could not throw overboard all the interpolations of Webb, Cross and Dermott, and get back to the pure, original, undefiled English work, as it went to France in 1721 and 1725. That is not to be expected. It is too late. But if we are so much in love with the *improvements* in the work, in the Rite *we* practice, we need not find fault with the changes made in the same work, by the silent influences of time, in other countries.

If I were conferring either of the three degrees, as Master of a York Lodge, I should feel perfectly at liberty to communicate, from beginning to end, to the same candidate, after he had received the degree, the work of the same degree in both the other Rites. **EVERY MASON IS ENTITLED TO IT.** We allow Masons under the authority of the Grand Orient and Supreme Council of France to visit *our* Lodges, and we ought to enable our own brethren to enjoy the same privilege when they go abroad.

The controversies between Rites have always related to the higher degrees, and turned upon the question of power and Supremacy. Thus, in France no one ever thought of denying that the three first degrees were in substance and in every thing material and essential, the same in both the French and Scottish Rites; and yet the Grand Orient for twenty years anathematized every Master Mason, though he had never gone beyond the third degree, if he recognized the Supreme Council as his lawful Superior, and did *not* bow to the Grand Orient.

The great body of Masons in France, knowing that a Master Mason was *as much* a Mason in one Rite as in the other, felt as if by instinct, that this excommunication was unmasonic and a great wrong; they protested earnestly against it, and finally succeeded in 1841, in having the ban and anathema of the Grand Orient removed; and the Temples of the French Rite thrown open to all regular Masons of the Scottish system.

It is therefore not out of place to quote here the remarks of the Bro. PHILIPPE DUPIN, made in 1841, upon the subject of those dissensions. He said: "Can it be truly said that...Masonry has performed its mission, when in its own bosom men see restored to life and activity again, one of those very monsters, to wage war against and overthrow which was its chief purpose? I mean INTOLERANCE. Have we not seen one branch of the great Masonic Family proscribe another, and launch against it anathemas, seek to close against it all the Temples, shun its members as if accursed with pestilence, command the places to be purified, where their feet had trodden, and by practices as well as by opinions, bring back the times of superstition, persecution and intolerance? So that, while in the outer world the Protestant lives in peace by the side of the Catholic, or Israelite; when the old religions have laid down the arms with which they long warred against each other, Masonry still sets the example of that impious strife of Brother against Brother!... Let us incessantly repeat.... that the work which Masonry has to do will never be ended, so long as there remains a Truth to be defended, an error to be combated, an ignorant man to be instructed, an unfortunate to be assisted, or a Brother to be loved. He who professes these maxims is a *regular* Mason. He who holds other doctrines is but a *spurious* Brother."

And the Bro. DESANLIS said, in his report to the Grand Orient, in regard to the same controversy, in 1841: "Masonry, that sublime school of morality, incessantly preaches Union, Toleration and Peace.... How then does it happen that, in the very bosom of Masonry, that spirit of Union

and Fraternity, which is its essence and life, is so cruelly outraged? How is it that from the same principle spring two hostile consequences? that the same army has two banners, the same Religion two hostile altars? .....If war is always a calamity, in Masonry it is a crime.....It is peace that we demand; that there be no longer any other war than that against prejudices; no other emulation than for what is good; no other rivalry than in our love for our country, in our devotion to our Brethren, in our constant efforts for the happiness of Humanity. Since we cannot march onward together, let us allow our Brethren to march on in their own way. If they wish, as they say, to attain the same object, *let them choose their own route, while we continue in ours*, which is, we love to think, more direct, shorter, more generous.....Let us...open to them the doors of our Temples. Let them come and mingle *their* prayers to the Grand Architect of all the worlds, with *our* prayers! Let their incense ascend, mingled and blended with ours, to the throne of the God of Charity, of Toleration and of Love!"

The Bro.: PHILIPPE DUPIN said, in 1827: "The Masons of the Scottish Rite have always shown themselves free from ambition, and far from any tyrannical pretensions. Accordingly, they have seen, without jealousy, without ill-humor, with no desire to injure them, other Masonic Rites established by the side of theirs; and far from persecuting them, they extended to them a fraternal hand. Whatever the denominations and modes of work of these young institutions, if they but devoted themselves, like Scottish Masonry, to the worship of Virtue and Truth, it saw in their establishment no infringement of its rights. It set up no absurd claim to a monopoly of that beneficence, which is the right and the duty of all. More anxious for the well-being of humanity, than for the interests of its own power, it looked upon these new Masons as growing allies, who might some day do good service, and who should be allowed to live, encouraged even, and protected in their philanthropic career."

Bro.: Gen.: JORRY said in 1828: "Free Masonry is one and universal. The objects of this Sublime Institution would fail, if divisions were established and perpetuated in its bosom.... We here protest, in the name of the whole body of Masonry,...against all attempts to transform into hostile tribes the separate branches of the Masonic family, and to introduce hate and discord, where Concord and Fraternity ought to reign."

At a feast given to Gen. LAFAYETTE in 1830, by the Masons of both

the French and Scottish Rites, he gave this toast : "To the general union of all Masons, whatever their rites and opinions! May we soon see them united under the roof of a single Temple, whose columns shall rest on the two Hemispheres! Let us labor with all our might for the accomplishment of this wish! To the prosperity of the Masonic Order, and its active influence on the progress of civilization; for they are essentially connected! May all the workmen called to aid in erecting the great moral edifice, be careful not to change it, by their dissensions, into a work of confusion; when it is their duty to transmit it to posterity, finished and consolidated."

No voice from the grave, nor voice of living man, could speak to us in more impressive accents than that of LAFAYETTE, the friend of Humanity, and the especial benefactor whom America holds in grateful remembrance.

We cannot effect *all* that be desired,—the union of *all* Rites all over the world under the roof of a *single* Masonic Temple; but there is *something* that can be done for union in Louisiana.

Many of our people are of foreign birth; and many, born upon our soil, though in every instinct and feeling Americans, love to speak the language and to adhere somewhat to the usages of that great country whose children their ancestors were. They prefer the work as *there* practiced in Masonry, to that which we of another extraction prefer to practice *here*. Prejudices and prepossessions are harder to root up than oaks; and habits of thought or practice are the most inexorable of despots.

The Grand Lodge of Louisiana has always taken under her protection, and recognized as lawful, the French and Scottish Rites, as well as the Rite of York, and allowed the Lodges under her jurisdiction to work in the symbolic degrees in all or either. I think it has been a wise and proper course; though it has been made a ground of reproach against her, on the part of some of her Sister Grand Lodges. One does not need to live to a very old age, to learn that even Grand Lodges sometimes entertain narrow and short-sighted ideas. A Body or Power that allows its subordinates to receive as visitors Masons made in France, by authority of the Grand Orient or Supreme Council, and knowing the French or Scottish Rite alone, hardly seems to be consistent, when it refuses to allow the requisite number of such brethren to form a Lodge and work the Rite which she acknowledges to be legitimate Masonry, by allowing the same parties to visit her Subordinate Lodges.



It is not the part of wisdom to undervalue or despise the arguments of any adversary. It is always possible that they may be far more forcible than we imagine; and we are always certain to think them quite as inconclusive as they are.

There is a Power, *irregular*, but *actual* and *active* also, in our midst, that claims to administer the Rite of *Perfection*, and is busily creating bodies of the Scottish Rite. It makes Symbolic Lodges, and denies that in doing so it gives the Grand Lodge any just cause of complaint. While it says many things that amount to little, it also says much that is plausible, and has succeeded in convincing many worthy and estimable men. It may be worth our while to listen to what it says.

It urges that the Supreme Council for the Southern jurisdiction has *abandoned* the practice of the three first degrees of Scottish Masonry; and that the Grand Lodge, insisting on an uniformity of work, will administer the York Rite only, and so denies charters to Masons who desire to work the Scottish Rite. This, it insists, involves some serious consequences.

Scottish Masons, it says, have an inalienable right to work in that Rite, if they desire. No *law* forbids it, and no Masonic *authority* forbids it. Especially in a country where they are free as men and free as Masons, it says, a Grand Lodge may, if it chooses, say it will have nothing to do with the Scottish Rite or any other Rite but one; but it cannot at the same time say that if Masons of the Scottish Rite, repulsed by it, go elsewhere for a charter to authorize them to work, they shall be denounced as irregular, and denied the right to visit other Lodges.

That, they say, would be an attempt to *proscribe* a Rite and prohibit its being practiced at all; while it is neither immoral, nor improper to be practiced: That the Scottish Rite is either Masonry or not: if Masonry, the Grand Lodge, if it will not grant charters, simply abandons the government of one branch of Masonry, and cannot prevent it from taking care of itself; nor deny it the right, nor interpose impediments in the way of its exercising the right, of working: if *not* Masonry, then the Grand Lodge has nothing at all to do with it, let its Lodges multiply as they may, and let its organization become never so complete.

The Grand Lodge, they say, gives them no direct and unmistakable assurance that they shall not be disturbed in the exercise of the Rite which they prefer; that on the contrary, the idea of a uniformity of work seems to be a cherished one; and *that*, in American Masonry, means a

punctilious observance of set phrases and special formulas, that would at once put *their* work under the ban. They say, that if *their* work is as legitimate as *ours*, they have the right to work it in Masonic day-light, and not be compelled to do so on sufferance, as if it were a thing to be *tolerated*, but at the same time to be ashamed of.

Therefore, this extemporaneous Body, which is at once a Supreme Council and Grand Lodge, concludes that the Scottish Masonry of Louisiana, repelled, as it alleges, both by the "Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana," and by the Supreme Council of the Southern jurisdiction of the United States, have the right to go whithersoever they please for charters, or, if they can obtain none anywhere, to form themselves into Lodges without charters, and create a Supreme Body for themselves, that shall issue them parchments, if parchments are indispensable.

The Constitutions of 1786, which are the law of the Ancient and Accepted Rite, were not enacted by Frederic, nor in 1786, say the Chiefs who urge these arguments, and they are therefore merely null and of no force or effect at all: the Ancient and Accepted Rite never had a lawful origin, and is nothing but the old Rite of Perfection, with eight degrees added, by certain persons who without authority invented them: the first Supreme Council ever established, from which all the others have descended, was organized by men who had no authority to create such a body;—wherefore we, A....., B....., and C....., having by means of all these forgeries and illegalities, become invested with that new-fangled 33d degree, will turn the Venerable Mother of all the Supreme Councils in the world out of that part of her estate that lies within the limits of Louisiana, and erect ourselves, by virtue of our own good pleasure, into a Supreme Council for that State, that will be legal, because we choose it shall be so, and shall thereupon become the self-constituted Ruler of the Scottish Rite, to which all who desire charters, to enable them to work, shall apply for the same, and out of the plenitude of our authority obtain them.

Lo, therefore, a Supreme Council extemporized, and the absurdity of self-constitution once again performed in Masonry, to disturb the Masonic peace; divine right of kings and autocracy in a new phase; and to this new Dagon that sets itself up to be adored, and coolly assumes supremacy, Scottish Masons, rejoiced to find even a phantom, and the *simulacrum* of a Power from which they can obtain permission to congregate and work, do fall down and worship, and so make it, or are about to make it a *real power*, by *consenting* to be governed by it.

Accordingly this Power, become, or fast becoming an actual Power by consent of the governed, falls to issuing charters of constitution for Symbolic Lodges, to work the three first degrees according to *the Rite of Perfection*, and has already six or seven marshalled under its banners. Some have thought and said that it would have been wiser in this new Body not to have intermeddled with these three degrees; because then it would have had no controversy with the Grand Lodge, and that Body would have looked upon the matter as an intestine dissension in the bosom of Scottish Masonry, with which it had no concern, its own jurisdiction and supremacy not being interfered with. It might perhaps have been so; though it would have been unwise in one Masonic Body, itself legitimate, to stand by in silence and unconcerned, and see the jurisdiction and prerogatives of another body, equally legitimate with itself, invaded and encroached upon; and not a whit more *generous* than *wise*.

The Chief, who is the soul of the movement, is too able a man not to have taken all that into consideration; and he deliberately arrayed himself against the Grand Lodge, and dared all the terrors of its displeasure. He saw, that merely to establish a rival of the Legitimate Supreme Council in the High degrees would gain him little sympathy, and perhaps be regarded as a step prompted merely by ambition; that it is useless to attempt to build a pyramid without a base; and that it was necessary for him to appeal to the Masonic *People*, who fill the Temples of *Symbolic* Masonry, are satisfied with the three first degrees, and content to advance no further. He therefore made his election, appealed to *them*, assumed the position of their protector and the guardian of their rights, and deliberately defied the Grand Lodge. *The arguments which I have repeated are his appeal.* I am not particularly called upon to confute them. They are plausible enough, to say the least, to win the ready assent of a large number of Scottish Masons; and they deserve, and I think will by and by compel the serious consideration of the Grand Lodge.

Nor has he been content to rely upon the weapons of argument alone. He has appealed to the feelings of jealousy, suspicion and distrust that a difference of race engenders, inveighed against the *exclusiveness* of the Grand Lodge, and allowed the York Rite itself to be ridiculed and undervalued, and denounced as not Masonry at all, but a mere aggregate of absurdities and common-places, unworthy the attention of an intelligent man; in a public journal, that is the organ of his party, and that would

hardly have made these attacks, if they had been distasteful to *him* ; if, indeed, some of them were not written by himself.

Brethren of the Grand Lodge, the remedy for the evils that now afflict the Order in Louisiana and are likely to attain much larger proportions, is in your hands. Many things a Grand Lodge ought to do, and many refrain from doing ; but least of all things ought it to give a just excuse, or even a fair pretext for schism. The Masonic world wearies of dissensions and disputes, about legitimacy, that are never settled by Logic or Reason, and still less by denunciation, but always by compromise and mutual concession : and which make the ill-natured and sarcastic to sneer ; the unreflecting and inconsiderate to laugh ; and the thoughtful and sober to grieve, that men are so perverse, and human professions so hollow, that even the great Apostle of Peace, Harmony and Toleration, cannot long remain at peace within itself.

The remedy is in your own hands. The legitimate authorities of the Scottish Rite honorably offer to adhere to their implied engagements with you. They offer to aid in maintaining your exclusive right to the administration of the Blue degrees in *all* the Rites, if you will *claim* all your just prerogatives, vindicate *all* your rights, and unite with them against those who disturb the Masonic peace, and delude their followers by telling them that they will be received *every where* among Masons, on presenting their diplomas, and that the denunciation of them by the Grand Lodge will not be noticed any where beyond the limits of Louisiana.

The Body which offers this Grand Lodge and the other governing bodies of Masonry in Louisiana an alliance and league for mutual defence and protection, is the Grand Consistory of the thirty-second degree, of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the State of Louisiana. You have heard a portion of its doctrines, a part of one consistent body of instruction. *Those doctrines are Masonry.* That Body is as legitimate a Masonic Authority and Power as the Grand Lodge itself ; for it holds its charter directly from the first Supreme Council ever established in the world,—that at Charleston, South Carolina,—which, created in 1801, has now had an uninterrupted existence of fifty-six years ; and from its loins, mediately or immediately, all other Supreme Councils in the world have descended.

Between the Scottish Rite, as administered by that Body, and the Free and Accepted Rite, administered by the Grand Lodges, there has never been any rivalry or antagonism. No one can receive the higher degrees,

under the authority of that Body, if made a Mason in the United States, unless he has first taken the Symbolic degrees in a regular Lodge of the York Rite. It has never disturbed the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodges, nor undervalued the Rite administered by them; and those who govern and adorn the Scottish Rite, are among the most learned and zealous members of the different governing bodies of American Masonry.

And it is equally certain, that the body which now creates Symbolic Lodges in your jurisdiction, is exercising powers equally as illegal over the *higher* degrees, as those which it pretends to possess over the degrees which you claim to be lawfully within *your* jurisdiction.

The Supreme Council at Charleston, first Council of that degree created for the Rite, gave the law to the Rite, in the *Constitutions* that claim the date of 1786, and for their author, Frederic the second, King of Prussia. I believe, that, as Minos claimed Jove for the author of the laws that he enacted for Crete; as Numa pretended to have received his from the goddess Egeria; as Mahomet assigned the authorship of his to Gabriel;—as these and all the ancient lawgivers sought to procure for the codes they enacted, a higher and generally a divine sanction,—so these *Constitutions*, referred to the year 1786, were credited to Frederic the Great, that they might seem more imposing and be the more readily submitted to. The laws of Minos, of Numa and of Mahomet became quite as binding, when accepted by the people for whom they were respectively enacted, as though their pretended origin had been real; and certainly as much so as if no such origin had been claimed for them. And so these *Constitutions* of 1786 became the law of the Scottish Rite, because they were *accepted* as such by all who became members of that Rite. It was, indeed, from that acceptance that they derived their *whole* authority. For if Frederic *really* framed and created them, he had no power to make the law for the Rite. It depended upon those who founded the first bodies of the Rite, whether they would accept and ratify those *Constitutions*. They did so; and when the Rite first made its appearance in the world, it did so with these *Constitutions* as its law. The Rite thus created was as distinct from the Rite of Perfection as the Rite of Misraim was: for to superadd or omit seven or eight degrees must needs make a new Rite. In the Rite of Perfection, the *Princes of the Royal Secret* were the chiefs, and the Grand Inspectors were merely seven Princes, officers of the Grand Consistory.

The founders of the new Rite took *all* the degrees but one, of the Rite of Perfection; as the Rite of Misraim took *all* of the degrees of the An-

cient and Accepted Rite as part of its large scale of ninety degrees; and they extended the number of the degrees to thirty-three, that it might correspond with the number of years that Christ had lived on earth, when he was murdered upon Calvary. If those who formed the first Supreme Council, at Charleston, also enacted the Constitutions; if they invented the 33d degree, and then, as Sov.: Insps.: Gen.: self-created, organized themselves into a Supreme Council, surely they had the right to *administer* the Rite which they had *framed*, the degrees which they had *invented*. All Rites, and the first body in each Rite, must have commenced in precisely the same way. How else could a Rite or degree extend beyond the first inventor? How else the *first* body of a Rite be formed?

If those who drafted the Constitutions and made them a law for themselves could not lawfully organize themselves into a Supreme Council, how could any *other* set of men ever do so? If the *first* Supreme Council was not legitimate, how could any *other* be so? and how, after the Rite thus stood upon its feet, could any man ever associate himself with it, without accepting its fundamental law; so long as that law remained unaltered by those who framed it, or their successors, or by the mass of the Order duly represented?

The preamble to these Constitutions declares their purpose to be, to unite all the Scottish Rites, the *Ancient*, that of *Herodotus*, of *Kilwinning*, of *St. Andrew*, of the *Emperors of the East and West*, of *Perfection* and the *Philosophical* Rite, into a new Rite to be styled the *Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite*, containing thirty-three degrees, the first eighteen being the same as those of the Rite of Perfection; and of which the 33d should be the governing degree.

Art. ii, § 3 provided that a single Inspector General, in a country where it was proper that there should be a Supreme Council, might raise another brother to that degree, and they two a third; and so a *Supreme Council should stand established*; the number of members to be afterwards increased to nine; each additional member, after the first three, being admitted only by unanimous vote.

And, Art. v, § 3 provided, that in the States and Provinces composing North America, as well the main-land as the islands, there should be *two* Councils, located as far apart as possible.

Art. ix provided that, in a country under the jurisdiction of a Supreme Council, duly constituted, and recognised by all other such Councils, no

Inspector General or Deputy should exercise any individual powers, unless he had been recognized and approved by such Supreme Council; and Art. xvii provided that, in a country where a Supreme Council should exist, legally instituted, and recognized, or in any dependency of such country, no Inspector General should exercise individual powers, unless by direct authority from such Council, or, if he belonged to another jurisdiction, until after obtaining its *exequatur*.

In 1855, a Supreme Council, existing at New Orleans, finding that its existence was a violation of these Constitutions, *which the members had sworn to support*, voluntarily dissolved itself, and its members submitted to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Council at Charleston.

They could not but acknowledge that these Constitutions were obligatory upon them.

For the Supreme Council of France was established in 1804, by authority from the Supreme Council at Charleston; and every one who has become a member of it, or received degrees by its authority, from that day to this, has solemnly sworn allegiance to the Constitutions of 1786.

Later, in 1804, an act of Union was effected, between the Supreme Council of France and the Grand Orient. Many members of the Grand Orient thereupon received the degrees of the Scottish Rite from the Supreme Council; and every one who did so, likewise swore to observe those Constitutions.

Under that Concordat, the Grand Orient was to administer the degrees to the 18th, and the Supreme Council those above that. Subsequently each party charged the other with violating the Concordat; and each has since 1814 continued to practice and administer all the degrees. The only claim the Grand Orient ever had to the Rite, was through the Concordat, and thus came to it from Charleston. It pretends to have received, by other transfers, from the Orient of Clermont, the Scottish Directories at Lyon, Strasburg and Bordeaux, and the Council of Emperors of the East and West, the administration of the Rite of *Perfection*; but that is as much a different Rite as that of Misraim, or that of Strict Observance, or the Reformed Rite practised in Prussia. It is nonsense to say that it and the Ancient and Accepted Rite are the same. And then it advances this singular argument: That STEPHEN MORIN was commissioned in 1761 to spread those twenty-five degrees in America; that he, or somebody under him, having no larger powers than he, *added* the other degrees, which they had no right to do; and therefore, those *added* degrees vested

in the Grand Orient by the transfer to it of the original twenty-five. The logic is pitiable; but the Grand Orient has never been remarkable for its reasoning powers. There is a very simple principle of law, not enacted by any legislature, but adopted by all judges as a sound principle of common sense and justice, and which is therefore just as much law in Masonry as any where else; unless there is *no* common sense or justice in Masonic law; or rather, unless there is no Masonic law at all. That principle is, that no one can retain any estate and claim it as his own, and still deny the title of the party from whom he obtained it,—that the tenant cannot deny or assail the title of his landlord, nor the vendor that of his vendee, *so long as he remains in undisturbed possession, under that title, and is not evicted by a better one.* Law-writers have said quite as much as was necessary, about the *reasons* for this rule; but these reasons may all be summed up in a single sentence of energetic and pithy English; that it is sheer rascality for a man to hold on to property to which he has no other title than that which he denies to be valid; and so receive the benefit of the very title which he slanders. If he retains the possession which he obtained *by means* of that title, he must pay the price he promised. He may *prescribe* against it, obtain a good title against it by limitation; *the prescription does not assail the original title.* When it is pleaded, the validity of the *title* does not come in question.

Those who first invented the additional degrees, and so framed a new Rite, were the legal owners of both, if *any body* ever could be. The Supreme Council at Charleston accepted the Rite, and with the Rite, its law. The Supreme Council of France received both from the Supreme Council at Charleston. The Grand Orient never has had, to this day, any other title to those degrees or to the Rite, as a distinct Rite, than such as it obtained by the Concordat of 1804. We are not concerned to inquire what party violated that Concordat, nor to which of them, after it was rescinded, the administration of the Ancient and Accepted Rite properly belonged; though nothing in the world can be clearer than that it belonged to the Supreme Council. Both claimed it, and each has exercised it long enough to have title to it by prescription. Neither had any other title than such as came from the Supreme Council at Charleston; and neither could deny the validity of that title.

The Grand Orient now asserts that the Constitutions of 1786 are not genuine, were not enacted by Frederic, but were *forged* in America, or by Bro.'. Pyron in France. Nobody will doubt, after that, the lamentable



deficiency of the reasoning faculty in the Grand Orient. The Grand Orient, and a Bro. in Louisiana, made a 33d by the Grand Orient in 1845, say that the Ancient and Accepted Rite in 33 degrees is nothing more, in substance, than the Rite of Perfection in 25 degrees, which emigrated from France to the New World with *Morin* in 1761, and returned with *de Grasse Tilly* in 1804; and to which the Grand Orient has title, by valid transfers from the Old Grand Lodge of France, the Orient of Clermont, the Council of Emperors of the East and West, the Scottish Directories, and perhaps other powers.

If I were simply a York Mason, or a 25th of the Rite of Perfection, contesting the right of my Bro. J..... F..... to a superiority over me, by virtue of his title and cordon of the 33d, it would be allowable for me to say to him that what is now called the 32d was the highest degree in the Rite of Perfection; that the Constitutions of 1786 are the only document on earth that creates a 33d degree; and that they are a forgery; that therefore that he is no 33d: that he received that pretended degree from the Grand Orient, which obtained it from the Supreme Council of France, and that from the Supreme Council at Charleston, which either itself invented the degree and forged the Constitutions, or received them at first hand from the forger: that so his title is tainted with the original taint; *and that by claiming the rank and title of 33d and pretending to set up a Supreme Council of 33ds, he makes himself a party to the original forgery and falsehood, and is in law an utterer of forged paper.* Is it not new ethics, to denounce the forgery, but insist on retaining the proceeds?

If any 33d believes that the Constitutions of 1786 were not enacted by Frederic, and that for that reason they never became valid and binding as the Constitutional law of the Scottish Rite, but were absolutely void, as if never made, from the beginning, and have so continued; he should at once lay aside his cordon, jewel and title, and content himself with those of Prince of the Royal Secret, and with the 25 degrees of the original Rite of Perfection. That seems to me to be simple common sense.

If he believes, as I do, that though Frederic never knew of those Constitutions, yet that does not in the least affect their validity, which depends altogether on the acceptance of them by those who first organized the Rite, then he may honestly claim the title which those Constitutions create and authorize.

If he falls back on the original Rite of Perfection, he cannot add to that

a 33d degree, nor create any body higher than a Consistory. If he will have the title of 33d, if he will have a Supreme Council, he must take them, as the law says, *cum onere*, with the burthen; he must admit the validity of the title from which his own is derived, and the binding force of *the only* law and Constitution which the Scottish Rite ever had.

The Supreme Council at Charleston had (or you may, if you please, use the term *assumed*) jurisdiction over the whole of the United States; and *accepted* or *enacted*, no matter which, a fundamental law by which there were two Councils allowed in North America. It does not say that there shall never be *more* than two. If that prohibition exists at all, it arises by implication. But the same law *did* absolutely prohibit any Inspector General from exercising any power within the jurisdiction of a Supreme Council, without commission from it or *vised* by it.

There is always a right of *revolution*; and no doubt, if the rule of the Supreme Council at Charleston should become onerous and tyrannical, or inefficient, it may be shaken off; the country, too large to constitute one or two jurisdictions, subdivided, and new Supreme Councils established. The oath of allegiance always ceases to bind, when the reciprocal obligation of justice and protection is not kept. But the Revolutionists, in such case, would not assail the *legitimacy* of the Supreme Council at Charleston, nor deny the *validity* of the Constitutions of 1786; for the very simple reason that a more foolish act could not be imagined. They would thereby deprive *themselves* of all pretence of right. Our Fathers of the Revolution would have presented a fine figure, if, in claiming the rights of British citizens, and independence because those rights were denied them, they had taken the course of averring that *Magna Charta* was a forgery, and Englishmen had no rights at all.

After the Supreme Council at New Orleans had voluntarily ceased to exist, and had transferred all its powers to the Supreme Council at Charleston; when there was in Louisiana a Grand Consistory of Princes of the Royal Secret, *the highest body known to the Rite of Perfection*, a single Inspector General in New Orleans, holding a patent of the 33d degree from the Grand Orient of France, associated with himself two or three other Inspectors General, none of them, nor himself, members of the Supreme Council that had abdicated; created himself and them a Supreme Council of the 33d degree, for the Free, Sovereign and Independent State of Louisiana; and made additional 33ds; all under the claim of reëstablishing the Rite of *Perfection*; and denied the authenticity and obliga-

tion of the Constitutions of 1786. This self-created body constitutes Councils of Kadosch, Chapters of Rose Croix, and Symbolic Lodges, to work in the Scottish Rite; asserts the right to create such Lodges in despite and defiance of the Grand Lodge; and declares the York Rite to be unworthy the attention of an intelligent man, and to be not entitled to wear the name of Masonry at all.

If, as these Brethren assert, the Constitutions of 1786 are spurious, and therefore of no force, and if the Supreme Council at Charleston never had a legal existence, then it follows, that the Rite of Perfection was never legally changed or altered. It remains as it was in 1762, and the rank of 33d and the title of Sovereign Grand Inspector General are unlawful and null. Consistency would have required them to remain within the limits of that Rite. Their Chief might, if he had the right to reestablish the Rite of Perfection, have assumed the title of Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret, 25th and last degree; and if duly elected to that office in his Consistory, that of Grand Inspector General, a title applied in the Regulations of 1762 to that one of the Seven Grand Inspectors who resided at Paris, to distinguish him from those of the Provinces; but this would have been merely his title as a Sub-officer of the Grand Consistory; and he could not have pretended to the degree or title of 33d, any more than he could to that of 90th, *those being titles equally belonging to Rites wholly distinct in Masonic law from that of Perfection.*

The moment he and his associates claimed the rank of 33d, and undertook to organize as such a Supreme Council of that degree, that moment they admitted that the degree was legitimate, that Supreme Councils were legitimate bodies, that the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite was a Rite lawfully established. That moment it became impossible for them to deny that the Grand Orient, from which the Chief obtained the 33d degree, legitimately possessed the Rite, that the Concordat of 1804, which is the Grand Orient's title, was a valid transfer of the Rite, that the Supreme Council of France, established in 1804, was legitimate, and that the Supreme Council at Charleston, from which all these titles were transmitted, was also legitimate; and in admitting all this, they necessarily admitted the Constitutions of 1786 to be the law of the Rite.

In 1841, the Grand Orient of France admitted the Supreme Council of France to be a legitimate body; the names of the Supreme Councils at Charleston and New York stood upon its tableau as Correspondents, recog-

nized by it as legitimate, and were always remembered in the regular toasts drunk at its banquets; and they regularly responded to the toasts through Bro.: de Tournay. The Chief in question, a 33d made by the Grand Orient, could not deny the legitimacy of a body which the Grand Orient recognized.

If he and his associates wished to repudiate the Constitutions of 1786, and deny the authority of the Supreme Council at Charleston, they should have put off the title of 33d, and have established a Consistory of Sublime Princes, of the 25th and last degree of the Rite of Perfection, as the highest body and governing Power of that Rite.

They would thus have established a rival of the Supreme Council, and a rival Rite to the Ancient and Accepted Rite, and could have been heard to deny the law and titles of the latter.

Instead of that, their action is a revolt. They establish a rival body *of the same Rite*. They violate the Constitutions of the Rite, and set up altar against altar. They rebel. An Inspector General from a foreign jurisdiction comes into the jurisdiction of an existing Supreme Council, exercises powers prohibited by the Constitutions, declares part of the Territory independent; and proclaims himself and his associates to be the Sovereigns of Scottish Masonry within its limits. That is all contrary to settled Masonic Law.

If they had said, "The Constitutions do not say that there shall *not* be *more* than two Supreme Councils in North America; and if they *did* say it, they would also prohibit the existence of two in the United States, because the two must be *as far apart as possible*: if you, the Supreme Council at Charleston, had the right *once* to subdivide your jurisdiction, and create another Supreme Council at New York, it was either because the number was *not* limited, or because, if it *was*, that provision necessarily became inoperative with the unexpected extension of the United States; and the acquisition of Louisiana and California has still further extended them; so that, in either case, we have the right to demand another division of Territory, and the creation of one or more additional Supreme Councils; and if you will not consent to this, we will declare it such a grievance as absolves us from our allegiance, and warrants us in revolting, and of successful revolt making Revolution;"—if they had said this, one could have understood them. It would have been intelligible. But to deny the legitimacy and powers of the Supreme Council at Charles-

ton, and the validity of the whole law of the Order, and *still* to set up a new Supreme Council and claim to possess the Rite, is an inconceivable absurdity.

How is it possible that one, two or three Inspectors General can *now* create a Supreme Council that shall be a legal body, if three could not do it in 1801? If the *first* Supreme Council ever established was not regular and legal, what *additional* ingredients of legitimacy could any *subsequent* one possibly possess. If the constitutions of 1786 are not the law of the Rite, what law does it possess? If they are not the law, why cannot *every* Inspector General in Louisiana make new Inspectors General, and create a Supreme Council for his private use, and go to making subordinate bodies? Where, except in these constitutions, is the law that prohibits it? No where! What makes the constitutions of 1762 valid and binding, if those of 1786 are not so? Who knows where and by whom *they* were really enacted? Some say, at Berlin; some, at Bordeaux, by nine Commissioners. Who knows where they were made, and by whom? What authority gave them the force of law, except their *acceptance* by the bodies of the Rite then existing? And how does that differ from the acceptance of the Constitutions of 1786, as *their* law, by the Supreme Councils at Charleston, New York, that of France, that at Milan,—by every Supreme Council in the world, except that in the bosom of the Grand Orient, which obtained its jurisdiction over the Rite only by the most palpable usurpation, and by a direct violation of the concordat of 1804, and of the solemn oaths of allegiance to the Supreme Council, taken by the members of the former.

The principal plea for this revolt is, that the Supreme Council has abandoned, and the Grand Lodge of Louisiana ostracises the three first degrees of the Scottish Rite. It was not necessary to set up a *Supreme Council* in Louisiana to remedy *that*. If *that* were the only cause of the movement, why did the parties not content themselves with re-establishing the Rite of Perfection, with its twenty-five degrees? The first *eighteen* degrees of *that* Rite, are *precisely* and *identically* the same, in every point and part, as the first eighteen of the Ancient and Accepted Rite. If they had done that, they would have been consistent, at least. It will be somewhat difficult, moreover, I imagine, to explain to the satisfaction of a plain man, how it is, that while they *do* pretend and claim to re-establish the Rite of Perfection, calling the Rite in which they work by that name, because they will not acknowledge the Constitutions of 1786, and the superadded degrees, they still have thirty-three degrees, and claim to be 33ds

and Sovereign Grand Inspectors General, and have a Supreme Council, a body wholly unknown, as the 33d degree is unknown, to the Rite of Perfection!

The *true* reason, that underlies the one assigned, is, as appears by the publications of the parties, the jealousy and rivalry of race and blood.

They point to the *English* names of the officers of the Grand Lodge, assert that the object in annulling the former Supreme Council and submitting to Charleston, was to *Americanise* the Rite; and say that it has now fallen into the hands of those who are *politically* hostile to men of foreign birth.

If all this were even true, the course which these Brethren have taken is directly calculated and intended still further to estrange from one another Masons who speak different tongues; by making parties and factions in the bosom of Masonry—parties based on differences of race—parties built up on differences in politics. Would it not have been far wiser and better in our Brethren, if we were actuated by such unmasonic and ungenerous motives, to have come among us, fraternized with us, and by their superior kindness and courtesy, to have shamed us out of our prejudices and narrow exclusiveness?

Is it not a lamentable thing that such jealousies and prejudices should prevail at all; and still more that they should be sedulously cultivated and industriously fostered?

Nor do I believe that there *are* any such prejudices or purposes on the part of those who chance, by the accident of birth, to speak the English language. We entertain various political opinions. But shame upon that Mason, unworthy of the name, who mingles with those opinions, whatever they are, the least leaven of unkindness towards his Brother of another blood. I cannot speak for all; but I am sure I speak for most Masons, of whatever political faith, when I say with entire sincerity, that our opinions have not the slightest influence upon our Masonic or social relations. In them we know no difference of race or blood, of creeds political or religious. The Brother who has knelt at the same altar with me, is as much and as truly my Brother, though his eyes first opened to the light in France, or Spain or Italy, as if they had first seen the same stars that shone upon my cradle; as if we had climbed the same green hills when children, learned to speak the same tongue, and heard the rains beating over-head upon the same old roof. Why should he not be? Even those whose theoretical opinions would exclude each other from *Heaven*,

can meet as Brethren in our Lodges—*do* meet there, thank God! and learn to know and love each other better; and shall a mere *political* opinion, honestly entertained; general and without personal application, nor based on personal grounds, free of all bitterness, and expressed in terms to which no just man can rightfully take exception,—shall this estrange me from my brother, and disenable me to do in his behalf all that the ties of our ancient Brotherhood require? There is *one* language that we both speak—the *universal* language of Masonry.

I pass from that, to speak of American Masons in general. If our Brethren imagine that those to whom they apply that distinctive name, desire to exclude them from sharing the Government of the Order, to rule it for their own interests, or according to their own prejudices, I can safely assert, so far as the Masons of the Scottish Rite are concerned, that they do us the most cruel injustice. On the contrary it is our most earnest desire to see a hearty and frank union of all the Masons of that Rite, in which all distinctions of language, race and blood shall be as if they had no existence. Our ambition aims at nothing higher, and could have no object more noble, than to effect that union. Our hands are ever open and ready to clasp theirs. We are content, for the sake of peace and unity, and because we think it right, and a solemn duty which we owe to Masonry and Masonic law, to leave the symbolic degrees to the Grand Lodge, and acknowledge the Supreme Council at Charleston as our Superior, accepting for ourselves a subordinate position. We know that in this great country the Scottish Rite can only succeed by being at peace with the York Rite; that out of Louisiana, our recruits must come almost wholly from the members of that Rite; who will not, by uniting with us, be *any the less* devoted to what they regard as the parent of all the Rites, and that to which they owe their first and their perpetual allegiance. Even in Louisiana it is so, as far as American Masons are concerned. We do not wish to shake that allegiance. We could not do it if we would. We would not attempt it, because to do so would be to build up against ourselves barriers at the portals of every State but this; and even here, to confine our proselytes to those only who speak a language other than *English*.

Is it the duty of a Scottish Mason to take a step that would infallibly confine the Rite to a single State, and to but one portion of the population even of that? No! It is our duty to *propagate* the Rite. Those who

have in their possession that which will confer a vast benefit on mankind, have resting on them the sacred duty to *communicate* it to mankind. To *refuse* to do so, to *incapacitate* ourselves to do so, is almost, if not quite, to commit a crime. The wise man and especially the philanthropist yields to circumstances, and concedes something to prejudices. And even the apostles of the Christian faith found it necessary to relax something of their Jewish strictness in favor of the Greeks and Romans, to whom they went to preach the gospel. If they had not done so, its influences would have remained confined within the narrow limits of Judea and the Hebrew Colonies, instead of flowing over to bless and civilize the world.

My Brethren of the Scottish Rite, if the Supreme Council at Charleston insists upon retaining its jurisdiction over us, let it do so. I am content. I think it would be wiser and more for the interest of the Rite, for it to divide its jurisdiction; but I am willing to wait, if that cannot now be peaceably effected.

My Brethren of the York Rite, it is for you to concede something to those who prefer another Rite. They are Masons like yourselves; and if it be true, as you think, that the Rite which they prefer is not as good as yours, that is but their misfortune. You profess the most ample toleration. Let it begin, like Charity, *at home*. If they *prefer* their own Rite, it is the best—for them. Hold out to them the hand of fellowship, and let the incense from their altars send its perfume to Heaven mingled and blended with that of yours. If you have prejudices, yield them. The Apostles set you the example; and one ought to do much for the general welfare of Masonry.

Let the Grand Lodge do what is right, and then demand what is right in turn. To yield nothing is almost always unjust; and often, when not unjust, a blunder. If the Grand Lodge offers to the Lodges that deny its jurisdiction, charters authorizing them to work in whatever Rite they prefer; and enacts that upon their failure to accept them within a reasonable time, they shall stand suspended and annulled, and their members be deemed in law expelled from Masonry, she will so have tempered forbearance with justice, that we shall be at a loss to decide whether she does herself more honor by her clemency and equity, or by her dignified firmness in asserting her rights; and it will be no flattery to say that she has worthily performed her whole duty; and that she rules and is Supreme by the highest and best of titles,—the gratitude and affection of the feeblest



as well as the strongest of those by whose election and consent she governs. But to deserve that eulogium, she must do what is right and just, simply because it is right and just, unaffected by any consideration of what clamor ignorance and narrow-mindedness may raise elsewhere; she must follow the old Masonic maxim: "*Do what thou oughtest to do; let come what may.*"

CONSTITUTION  
OF THE  
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OF  
FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS,  
OF THE  
STATE OF LOUISIANA.

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ARTICLE I.

Style and Title.

SECTION 1. This Grand Lodge shall be known by its corporate name and title: "THE GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA."

ARTICLE II.

Of whom Composed.

SECTION 1. The members of this Grand Lodge shall consist of its actual officers—the Grand Tyler excepted—and the Masters and Wardens in office (when duly installed) of its Constituent Lodges.

Sec. 2. All Past Grand and Deputy Grand Masters, and Past Grand Wardens, of this Grand Lodge, and all Past Masters of Lodges under this Grand Lodge, so long as they are Members in good standing, of Lodges under this jurisdiction, shall be entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge, and to take part in all its proceedings, but shall have no vote.

### ARTICLE III.

#### The Powers of the Grand Lodge.

SECTION 1. It shall have the exclusive right to constitute and govern all Lodges of Symbolic Free-Masonry in the State of Louisiana ; shall hear all appeals, decide in the last resort between the Lodges and the Brethren, and redress all grievances, and shall have exclusive power to try and punish its own officers, and the Masters in office of its constituent Lodges. It may make all laws and regulations necessary for the government of the Lodges and Brethren under its jurisdiction, and for the propagation and advancement of the true principles and work of Ancient Free-Masonry, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Constitution, "the old charges of the Free and Accepted Masons, of 1723," hereunto annexed, or the ancient usages and land marks of the Order.

### ARTICLE IV.

#### Of the Officers of the Grand Lodge.

SECTION 1. The Officers of this Grand Lodge shall consist of the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master,

Senior Grand Warden, Junior Grand Warden, Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, Grand Chaplain, Grand Marshal, Senior Grand Deacon, Junior Grand Deacon, Grand Sword Bearer, Grand Pursuivant, four Grand Stewards and the Grand Tyler; and the first four of whom must have been Masters of regular Lodges.

SEC. 2. The Grand Master, Grand Wardens, Grand Treasurer, and Grand Secretary, shall be chosen by ballot on the fourth day of each Grand Communication, and be installed as soon thereafter as practicable during the same Communication. The Grand Master shall appoint the Deputy Grand Master, and the balance of the Grand Officers shall be chosen in such manner as the Grand Lodge shall determine.

## ARTICLE V.

### Powers and Duties of the Grand Officers.

SECTION 1. The Grand Master is invested with all the power and authority, and is entitled to all the privileges and prerogatives attached to his office by the Ancient Usages of the Fraternity. He may, during the recess of the Grand Lodge, grant Dispensations for the formation of new Lodges, and suspend the working of any Lodge, or its Master, until the next Communication of the Grand Lodge. He may appoint as many Deputies as he may require, to perform the duties incumbent upon him, and call special meetings of the Grand Lodge, or Lodges for instruction, whenever he may deem the

same necessary, and shall do so whenever requested by ten chartered Lodges.

SEC. 2. He shall (in person or by proxy) constitute and consecrate all new Lodges, and install their officers ; inspect the work of the Constituent Lodges at least once a year, and see that they work uniformly and correctly, and according to the land marks, laws and usages of the Order ; and that the Constitution, Regulations and Edicts of this Grand Lodge, are faithfully obeyed. He shall be, *ex-officio*, Chairman of all Committees, and shall at each Annual Communication, report to the Grand Lodge all his official acts during the year ; state the condition of the Constituent Lodges and of Masonry generally, and make such other suggestions as may seem to him conducive to the good of the craft and proper to be acted upon by the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 3. The Deputy Grand Master shall represent the Grand Master, and exercise all his rights, prerogatives and privileges, and perform all his duties whenever the Grand Master may, from death, absence, inability, or other cause, be unable to perform the same ; and should the Deputy Grand Master be, for like reasons, unable to act, the Senior Grand Warden, and Junior Grand Warden, shall, in the order named, take the position of Grand Master ; and in the event of the inability of the first four Grand Officers to act, the Junior Past Grand Officer, the highest in rank, shall act until the inability be removed.

SEC. 4. These, and the other Grand Officers of the Grand Lodge generally, shall do and perform all the duties attached to their several stations by the usages

and customs of the Fraternity, and enjoy all the rights, privileges and prerogatives thereof, until their successors shall be duly elected and installed.

## ARTICLE VI.

### **Communications and Quorums for Business.**

SECTION 1. This Grand Lodge shall hold one Annual Grand Communication, which shall be convened on such a day as the General Regulations shall provide, and shall continue in session from day to day until all the business is disposed of; it may hold as many Special Communications as circumstances may require, of which thirty days' notice shall be given to each Lodge previous to holding the same.

SEC. 2. At least one-eighth of all the chartered Lodges shall be represented at the transaction of ordinary business; one-fourth at the election of officers, or the changing or enacting of By-Laws or General Regulations, and one-half at the amending of the Constitution.

## ARTICLE VII.

### **Of the Constituent Lodges.**

SECTION 1. Every regular Lodge of Symbolic Freemasonry in this State must be held by virtue of a Charter of this Grand Lodge, or Dispensation of the Grand Lodge or Grand Master; each chartered Lodge to be registered and numbered according to the date of its Charter, nor shall it proceed to work until it shall have

first been constituted and consecrated, and its officers duly installed. All Charters shall be exactly uniform.

SEC. 2. The Constituent Lodges shall be composed of those named in their Charters, and such Brothers as they shall admit by regular affiliation or shall raise to the sublime degree of Master Mason.

SEC. 3. The officers of each Lodge shall consist of a Master, Senior and Junior Wardens, Treasurer and Secretary, Senior and Junior Deacons, and Tyler, and such other officers as may be deemed necessary by the Lodge ; the first five of the above named officers must be chosen by ballot, and all except the Tyler, must be members of the Lodge. In all elections, both in the Grand Lodge and in the Constituent Lodges, a majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to an election. No Brother can be elected Master of a Lodge unless he has served as Warden, while a Past Master or Warden is willing to accept the office.

SEC. 4. Every chartered Lodge shall have the right to confer the three degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft, and Master Mason, according to the ancient customs and rites of the Order, and to do all other acts pertaining to Masonry, not in any way conflicting with this Constitution, the Laws and Edicts of this Grand Lodge, or the Ancient Usages and customs of the Fraternity.

SEC. 5. Dispensations for new Lodges shall be granted only upon the petition, in writing, of at least seven Master Masons, in good standing, recommended by the nearest Chartered Lodge to the residence of the peti-

tioners ; which recommendation must also certify that the first three officers named in the petition, are known to be fully competent to confer the three degrees of Symbolic Masonry ; and each petition must be accompanied with the certificate of demit or good standing of each petitioner.

SEC. 6. Lodges working under Dispensation, may exercise all the rights of chartered Lodges, except that of electing their three first officers and sending Representatives to the Grand Lodge. At the expiration of the Masonic year, they shall send up a correct transcript of their work, etc., under such regulations as the Grand Lodge may determine.

SEC. 7. Lodges which shall fail to make their returns and pay their dues, shall not be entitled to be represented in the Grand Lodge ; and all Lodges which shall have failed to make their returns and pay their dues, or to hold their regular meetings and elect their officers, or to be represented in the Grand Lodge, for two successive years, shall forfeit their Charter, which shall be cancelled, and all their books, jewels, implements and property shall revert to the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 8. Each chartered Lodge shall be entitled to three votes in the Grand Lodge, through its Representatives or their proxies ; and in case of the absence of one or more of said Representatives, the vote or votes of those absent shall be cast by the senior Representative present.



## ARTICLE VIII.

### **Dues, Contributions and Fees.**

SECTION 1. Each chartered Lodge shall pay to the Grand Lodge one dollar for each member borne on its Register during the year, and all Lodges one dollar for each degree conferred.

SEC. 2. The sum of fifty dollars shall be charged for each Dispensation, and the same sum for each Charter, issued by the Grand Lodge, for the formation of a new Lodge, out of each of which sums the Grand Secretary shall be allowed five dollars as the fees of his office.

SEC. 3. The Lodges in New Orleans shall not charge less than fifty dollars for conferring the three degrees of Apprentice, Fellow Craft, and Master Mason ; nor Lodges in the other Parishes of the State a sum less than thirty dollars ; and in no case shall credit be given. The Lodges may charge such sums for affiliation and the dues of members as each may think proper.

## ARTICLE IX.

### **Of Amendments.**

SECTION 1. Any amendment, alteration, revision or change of this Constitution, must be proposed in writing, at an Annual Grand Communication, and if a majority of the members present assent, it shall be printed in the proceedings of the Grand Lodge, and sent to all the Constituent Lodges ; when, if a majority of the chartered Lodges approve the same, and notify the Grand Secre-

tary thereof, or if, at the next Annual Grand Communication, two-thirds of the members present of a sufficient quorum, vote in favor of the same, it shall be adopted.

SEC. 2. Whenever a majority of the chartered Lodges shall, by resolution, demand a Convention to amend or revise this Constitution, the Grand Master shall call upon all the chartered Lodges to assemble by their delegates, at such time and place as he shall determine, if a majority of the Lodges requesting such Convention shall not have agreed upon the time and place; Provided, that the Grand Master, in fixing the time, shall not exceed two months from the time he shall have received the demand from a sufficient number of Lodges. Each Lodge shall elect and send one delegate to said Convention; which Convention, when duly assembled, shall have power, by vote of two-thirds of all the chartered Lodges represented, to revise, alter, or change this Constitution, as may seem to them necessary and proper.

The adoption of this Constitution abrogates and repeals the former Constitution of this Grand Lodge as such, and all Regulations, Resolutions, and Edicts, in any way conflicting with this Constitution, are null and of no effect.

## BY-LAWS OR GENERAL REGULATIONS.

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### CHAPTER I.—OF THE GRAND LODGE.

#### ARTICLE I.

##### **Of its Organization and General Order of Business.**

SECTION 1. Each Annual Grand Communication shall be held in the City of New Orleans, on the second Monday of February of each year, and so soon as a quorum for the transaction of ordinary business shall appear to be present, the Grand Lodge shall be opened, and the Grand Master, or presiding officer, shall appoint a committee to examine the credentials of those claiming seats in the Grand Lodge as members, which committee shall report as soon thereafter as possible, and if a quorum is found to be present, the Grand Lodge shall be declared duly opened for business. Should there be no quorum present, the presiding officer shall call off the Grand Lodge, from day to day, until a quorum is formed.

SEC. 2. Immediately after the Grand Lodge is declared opened for business, the presiding officer shall appoint the following Standing Committees :

1. A Committee on Audit and Accounts.
2. On Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges.
3. On the Work and Returns of Lodges under Dispensation.
4. On Appeals and Grievances.

The last of which committees shall be composed of seven Masters of Lodges. All other committees shall be composed each of three members of the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 3. So soon as these committees are appointed, the Grand Master, Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, and the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, shall make their reports, as required by the Constitution and these Regulations ; after which, such other business as is proper and the time will permit, may be brought before the Grand Lodge and appropriately referred ; but no final action shall be had on any subject of importance at the first session of the Grand Communication.

SEC. 4. At the succeeding sessions of the Grand Annual Communication, the first thing in order, after the reading and approval of the Minutes, shall be the report of the Committee on Credentials ; when the Standing and Special Committees, in the order of their appointment, shall be called on, and their reports properly disposed of ; after which, any business laid over from any former session for the special business of this session, shall be taken up in order and acted upon : but no new business shall be introduced at any time until the above order has been gone through with, without the consent of the Grand Lodge has first been obtained.

SEC. 5. No business shall be acted upon at any Special Communication of this Grand Lodge, except that which it was expressly called together to consider ; and so far as applicable, the rules for the government of the Grand Annual Communication shall govern all Special Communications.

## ARTICLE II.

### Special Duties of the Grand Officers.

SECTION 1. The Grand Master shall, as soon after his installation as possible, and before the close of the Grand Annual Communication, appoint three Masters or Past Masters of Lodges as a standing committee on Foreign Correspondence. He shall, also, during the session of the Grand Lodge, appoint all the special committees that may be ordered, and see that they are faithful in the performance of their duties ; and shall, either in person or by deputy, before delivering a Dispensation to the officers named therein, and at the first meeting, fully instruct them in their respective duties.

SEC. 2. The Grand Treasurer shall keep proper books of accounts, and have them and his vouchers ready at all times to exhibit to the Grand Master, or to any committee appointed by the Grand Lodge, or Grand Master, for that purpose. He shall keep, in some regularly chartered bank, in the city of New Orleans, to be selected by the Grand Lodge, all the moneys, notes, bonds, or other securities that may come into his possession as Grand Treasurer ; and the account in said bank shall be opened in his official title of "Grand Treasurer of

the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana ;" and he shall make no payments unless on warrant drawn on him, signed by the Grand Master, and countersigned by the Grand Secretary. At the first session of each Annual Grand Communication, he shall report to the Grand Lodge the condition of his accounts, with a detailed statement of all funds which are in his hands or which have passed through them during his term of office.

SEC. 3. The Grand Secretary shall carefully record all the proceedings of the Grand Lodge proper to be written ; shall keep just and true accounts between the Grand Lodge and the Constituent Lodges, and all other parties ; shall receive all moneys paid to the Grand Lodge, and deliver the same to the Grand Treasurer immediately on the receipt thereof. He shall keep a journal of all the official acts done by him during the recess of the Grand Lodge ; shall preserve all correspondence addressed to the Grand Lodge, and copies of all communications emanating from it, or from the Grand Master, on official business, and shall issue all documents, letters, notices or summonses ordered by the Grand Lodge or directed by the Grand Master, and to which he shall affix the seal of the Grand Lodge—always retaining it in his possession for that purpose. He shall keep a register of all the Lodges holding of this Grand Lodge, which shall contain the dates of their Constitution, Warrant and Dispensation, with their numbers and the place where they are located ; a register, alphabetically arranged, of all brethren belonging to Lodges under this Grand Lodge ; with such par-

ticulars, and according to such forms, as the Grand Lodge shall determine ; also, a register of all brethren entitled to permanent seats in this Grand Lodge, according to Section 2 of Article II of the Constitution. He shall, at the opening of the Grand Lodge, report in writing the official business of his office during its recess ; such Lodges as have failed to make complete returns as required by the Grand Lodge ; any business left unfinished at the last Grand Communication, or which may have been specially referred to the present ; and a list of all communications, appeals, or other matters lodged in his office for the consideration of the Grand Lodge. He shall be furnished by the Grand Lodge with books, stationery, and other things necessary for his office, and suitable rooms for an office and library room, of which he shall be the keeper. He shall be allowed for the above services, and such others as the Grand Lodge may require of him, the sum of fifteen hundred dollars *per annum*, payable monthly, in addition to the fees of his office allowed by these Regulations.

SEC. 4. The Grand Marshal shall have charge of all public processions and other ceremonies of the Grand Lodge, to be assisted therein by the Grand Sword Bearer ; and, under the direction of the Grand Senior Deacon, assisted by the Grand Stewards, introduce and accommodate all visiting brethren, and see that every brother entitled to a seat in the Grand Lodge, is properly placed.

SEC. 5. The Grand Pursuivant shall assist the Junior Grand Deacon in the discharge of his duties, and permit no improper intrusion.

SEC. 6. The Grand Stewards shall examine all visitors who require an examination, previous to entering the Grand Lodge, and serve the officers and members of the Grand Lodge according to the customary duties of their office.

SEC. 7. The Grand Tyler shall, in addition to the customary duties of his office, serve all notices and summonses delivered to him by the Grand Secretary or Grand Master ; take charge of the property of the Grand Lodge ; and for his services shall receive two hundred dollars *per annum*, to be paid monthly.

### ARTICLE III.

#### Duties of Committees.

SECTION 1. The Committee on Foreign Correspondence shall, at the opening of each Annual Grand Communication, report to the Grand Lodge all matters of special interest to the Order, which may appear in the correspondence of the Grand Lodge, or that may be derived from other sources since the last Annual Grand Communication ; and should any subject demand an expression of the opinion of the Grand Lodge, they shall append to their report such resolutions as will express the sentiments they entertain, and for which they have given reasons in their report.

SEC. 2. The Committees on the Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges and Lodges under Dispensation, shall carefully examine all returns, proceedings, By-Laws, correspondence, etc., received by the Grand Secretary,



from the various Lodges during the year, and report such irregularities as may appear, and annex to their reports resolutions expressing any action they may deem necessary by the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 3. The Committee on Audit and Accounts shall audit and settle the accounts of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, and such other accounts and claims as may be referred to them by the Grand Lodge, and recommend such action on the same as they may deem necessary.

SEC. 4. The Committee on Appeals and Grievances, shall examine all appeals and complaints brought before the Grand Lodge, and report thereon, and recommend such action by the Grand Lodge as to them shall seem fit and proper.

SEC. 5. Each Committee shall report in writing on all matters submitted to it, as speedily as possible, which reports must be signed at least by the Chairman, unless there be a division of opinion, in which case the separate reports must be signed by the parties making them, respectively.

## ARTICLE IV.

### **Trials and Punishments in the Grand Lodge.**

SECTION 1. Should any Brother, whose trial for offences exclusively belongs to the Grand Lodge, have charges preferred against him, it shall be the duty of the Grand Master, if, in his opinion, the charges are of a grave character, to suspend the Brother from the exer-

cise of the duties of his office, and direct the Grand Secretary to furnish the accused with a copy of the charges and a list of the witnesses, and cite him to answer in writing, and to furnish the names and residences of his witnesses, if he have any, and to appear before the Grand Lodge for trial, on the first day of its next Annual Grand Communication.

SEC. 2. The Grand Master, immediately on the receipt of the answer of the accused to the charges, shall appoint some discreet Brother, if he cannot personally attend, who lives in the vicinity of the witnesses, to proceed at once to take, in writing, the testimony of all the witnesses named in the case, giving at least ten days' notice to the accused, of the time and place of taking such testimony. The Deputy thus appointed, so soon as he shall have completed the same, shall forward it to the Grand Secretary.

SEC. 3. After the Grand Lodge is declared open for business, all the papers in the case shall be referred to the Committee on Appeals and Grievances; and if, in their opinion, the charges are unfounded, or not of sufficient importance to be brought before the Grand Lodge, they shall so report, and the Brother shall be discharged. If they should be of a different opinion, or should not be unanimous in the first opinion, they shall report accordingly, and some early day shall be fixed on which the trial shall take place.

SEC. 4. On the trial, after hearing all the testimony in the case, the accused may be heard in his own defence, either by himself or through some Brother who may vol-

unteer to assist him, but no debate of any kind shall be allowed on the part of the members, always excepting such inquiries as may be necessary to a correct understanding of what the testimony is that has been produced on the trial.

SEC. 5. When the accused shall have been heard in his defence, he shall retire, and the Grand Lodge shall at once proceed to decide upon his guilt or innocence, and if found guilty, to determine the degree of Masonic punishment, conforming in all respects in this proceeding to the Regulations established for trials and punishments in the Constituent Lodges.

SEC. 6. In taking the vote, each officer and member present shall have one vote, but no Brother shall be entitled to vote who was not present during the whole trial.

SEC. 7. Should the Brother neglect for one month after receiving notice, to answer the charges preferred against him, or fail to appear when duly summoned, the Grand Lodge shall nevertheless proceed with the trial, the Grand Master first appointing some Brother to appear for him and to conduct his defence.

SEC. 8. Should any Lodge of this jurisdiction, or Brother, or number of Brethren at any time renounce their allegiance to this Grand Lodge, or openly resist the Constitution, Regulations or Edicts of this Grand Lodge, the Grand Master shall, during the recess of the Grand Lodge, suspend such Lodge, Brother or Brethren from all their Masonic rights and privileges, until the next Annual Grand Communication, when, on proof of

the act for which the order of suspension was made, the Grand Lodge may inflict such Masonic punishment, or make such decree as two-thirds of those present shall deem the case to require.

## CHAPTER II.—OF THE CONSTITUENT LODGES.

### ARTICLE I.

#### Special Rights and Duties of Constituent Lodges.

SECTION 1. Every chartered Lodge shall elect its officers once a year ; said election to be held in the month of December, and the officers elect shall be installed on or before the Anniversary of St. John the Evangelist, and said officers shall remain in office until their successors are duly elected and installed.

SEC. 2. Each Lodge shall hold at least one Communication in each month, except (at the option of the Lodge) in the months of July, August and September, and may hold as many other Communications as the Lodge may order ; but at no special meeting shall any other business be transacted than the reading and approval of the minutes, granting charity, or the conferring of degrees, except such business as the Lodge may have been especially called to consider.

SEC. 3. Each Lodge shall keep a true record of all its transactions proper to be written ; a proper book of accounts between the Lodge and its members, and a book containing a full roll of its members, and exact copies of all its returns to the Grand Lodge ; which books, as well

as all the papers and documents of the Lodge, shall be open to the inspection of the Grand Lodge, the Grand Master, or his deputy, whenever required.

SEC. 4. Each Chartered Lodge shall have a seal, with the name, number and location of the Lodge engraved thereon, together with such device as it may choose ; with which all returns to the Grand Lodge, and all attested documents issued by the Lodge, shall be sealed.

SEC. 5. The first three officers of each Chartered Lodge, after they shall have been duly installed, shall, each of them, have power to appoint proxies to represent them in the Grand Lodge in case of their absence therefrom, and who shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of the officers they represent, and must be Master Masons, in good standing, and members of some Lodge under this jurisdiction, and who hold no office in the Grand Lodge, nor represent any other Lodge therein.

SEC. 6. The W. M. and Wardens of each Lodge shall constitute a Relief Committee, and shall visit and attend the sick and distressed worthy Brethren, their Widows and Orphans, living in the vicinity of the Lodge, and contribute such assistance as their circumstances may require and the funds of the Lodge will permit.

SEC. 7. Each Lodge may take cognizance of the conduct of Masons living within its jurisdiction and not belonging to another Lodge of this Grand Lodge, and try and punish them for Masonic offences committed within its jurisdiction, or such as may be referred to it by the foreign regular Lodge where the offence was committed.

SEC. 8. Whenever a Brother Master Mason, in good

standing, shall have expressed his desire that the usual Masonic burial service shall be performed over his remains, or when his nearest relatives, family or friends request it, it shall be the duty of the Lodge to which he belonged, or (if a sojourning Brother) in whose jurisdiction he shall have died, to attend his funeral and perform the services.

SEC. 9. Each Chartered Lodge shall make annual returns to the Grand Lodge, of all their proceedings for the year, ending the 31st day of December, and pay their dues, which shall be delivered to the Grand Secretary at least one week prior to the time fixed for the Annual Grand Communication, under the liability of the suspension of the Lodge.

SEC. 10. These returns shall contain an alphabetical list of all its members, borne on the register during the year, and their places of residence ; the time at which any one may have affiliated, demitted, died, been suspended or expelled, giving the name of the Lodge to which the Brother affiliated last belonged, and that in which he received his degrees. The returns shall also contain a list of the newly elected officers, the signatures of the Master, Wardens and Secretary, the amount of dues to the Grand Lodge, and the exact date at which each meeting of the Lodge was held during the year ; they shall also exhibit the dates at which each degree was conferred, and the name, residence and profession or business of each recipient ; the whole according to printed forms to be furnished by the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 11. Lodges held under Dispensation shall make

the returns required of the Chartered Lodges, and, in addition, send up a correct transcript of their proceedings, and a copy of their By-Laws, and their Dispensation, with a petition for a Charter, if the same be desired. They shall be entitled to send a Delegate to represent their interests in the Grand Lodge, to be chosen from among their own members, but said Delegate shall be allowed no vote.

## ARTICLE II.

### Initiations and Affiliations.

SECTION 1. Every candidate for initiation into Masonry must make his application in writing, and sign his name to the same, in which shall be set forth his name in full, his age, place of birth, actual place of residence, occupation, his motive for applying, and his ability to aid in the benevolent objects of the institution, with a pledge of honor that he believes in God, and that no unworthy motive, selfish consideration, persuasion, or influence, has induced him to make the application. This petition must be vouched for and recommended by at least two members in good standing of the Lodge to which the application is made, and which they shall do only on their own personal knowledge of the applicant.

SEC. 2. This petition shall, when received, be referred to a committee of three members of the Lodge, who shall make strict inquiry into the truth of all matters contained in the petition, and the moral character and qualifications of the applicant, and report to the Lodge, in writing, the exact result of their investigations.

SEC. 3. When their report is made, if four weeks have elapsed since the petition was received, and on no consideration before that time, the Lodge may proceed to ballot on the application, which ballot must be unanimous in his favor, or the petitioner shall be declared rejected, provided, that should but one negative ballot appear, a second ballot shall be taken immediately, that any mistake, if one occurred, may be corrected; but in no case shall an unfavorable ballot be reconsidered, nor shall any attempt be made, in any manner, to discover the Brother who shall have cast a negative ballot. At least seven members of the Lodge shall be present when a ballot is taken, and all the members present shall be required to vote.

SEC. 4. A separate ballot shall be required for each degree, and if the ballot be favorable, it shall entitle the applicant to receive the degree for which he was balloted; but no degree after the first shall be conferred until the applicant shall have proved himself, by examination in open Lodge, to be well versed and proficient in the degree or degrees which he may have taken—the ballot for advancement to be taken immediately after the examination.

SEC. 5. Should any Brother prefer charges against a Brother who has received a portion only of the degrees to which he has been elected, he shall not be allowed to proceed until the charges are investigated and the Brother acquitted. The trial of such charges must be had in the Lodge opened in the highest degree to which the Brother has advanced, and conducted in all other



respects as is hereinafter provided for the trial, etc., of members of the Lodge. Should he be convicted, and suspended or expelled, he cannot be advanced until after the punishment is remitted or has expired, nor then without the unanimous vote of the Lodge.

SEC. 6. Applications for initiation or affiliation cannot be withdrawn after they have been referred to a committee, but the ballot shall be taken thereon, whether the committee report favorably or not.

SEC. 7. Should the petition for affiliation, initiation or degrees be rejected, the applicant shall not re-apply to any Lodge under this jurisdiction before the expiration of six months from the date of the rejection, nor then in any other Lodge than the one in which he first applied, without receiving the recommendation of at least five members of the Lodge by which he was rejected, two of whom must be of the first three officers of the Lodge; and the Secretary shall immediately notify the Grand Secretary of every rejection in the Lodge, which notice the Grand Secretary shall, within one month after the receipt of the same, forward to each Lodge in this jurisdiction.

SEC. 8. The Secretary shall immediately notify all the Lodges in the same parish, of the reception of any petition for initiation, affiliation, or the degrees, giving the name, actual residence, age, and occupation of the applicant, and the names of the committee to whom the same has been referred.

SEC. 9. No Lodge shall receive the petition of a Brother who shall have previously received a part of

the degrees in another Lodge, without first having obtained the consent of such Lodge, if the same be still in existence, and in all other respects shall proceed as with other applications.

SEC. 10. All applications for initiation, degrees or affiliation, must be made to the Lodge most convenient to the residence of the applicant, Lodges in the City of New Orleans excepted.

SEC. 11. Applications for affiliation must be made in a similar manner to those for initiation, and take the same course. The petition shall also state the Lodge in which the applicant received his degrees, and be accompanied by a *certificate* of demit and good standing from the Lodge to which he last belonged, unless good and satisfactory reasons shall appear why the same cannot be obtained.

### ARTICLE III.

#### Of Trials, Punishments and Appeals.

SECTION 1. All charges of unmasonic conduct against a Brother must be in writing, and clearly specify the offence or offences complained of; be signed by the party making them; contain the names and residences of the witnesses, and be presented to the W. Master of the Lodge to which the Brother accused belongs, or in whose jurisdiction he may reside, if a sojourning Brother. The W. Master shall then, without making known to the Lodge the nature of the charges, or the names of any of the parties thereto, submit the same to a committee of

three members of the Lodge, to be by him appointed, who shall investigate the matter, and endeavor to reconcile the parties making the charges and the accused, if the matters be merely personal ; and should they fail to effect an amicable arrangement, or the charges be of such a nature as to require the action of the Lodge, they shall report accordingly.

SEC. 2. When the committee have reported that a trial is necessary, the Secretary of the Lodge shall serve upon the accused a copy of the charges, the names of the witnesses relied upon to prove the same, and summons him to appear and answer the charges, in writing, within ten days from the time the same shall have been served upon him, and to furnish the names and residences of such witnesses as he may wish to examine in his defence.

SEC. 3. After the expiration of ten days, whether the accused has answered or not, the Lodge shall fix a time for the trial, and summon all the members of the Lodge then living in its jurisdiction, the party accused, and all the witnesses who are Masons, to appear at the time appointed ; and should there be witnesses who cannot attend the Lodge, the W. Master shall appoint a committee of three members to take the testimony of such witnesses. This committee shall give due notice to the accused of the time and place of taking such testimony ; shall reduce the same to writing, and cause it to be affirmed to by the party giving it.

SEC. 4. At the hour fixed upon, the trial shall commence, and after the charges shall have been read, and

all the testimony heard of the witnesses named, and of such others as may have been discovered, the accused shall be allowed to speak in his defence or avail himself of the assistance of some Brother to speak for him ; he shall then retire, and the Lodge shall proceed at once, and without debate, to ballot on the guilt or innocence of the accused, taking a separate ballot on each specific charge.

SEC. 5. If found guilty, the ballot shall then be taken in the following order on the different degrees of punishment : 1st, expulsion ; 2d, indefinite suspension ; 3d, suspension for a fixed period of time, taking the ballot first on the longest period proposed ; and 4th, reproof or reprimand. An absolute majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to convict ; three-fourths to expel ; two-thirds to suspend, and a majority to reprove or reprimand. And in no case shall a Brother be allowed to vote who was not present at the commencement and during the whole progress of the trial.

SEC. 6. Whenever the accused cannot be found, or fails to answer or appear, the W. Master shall appoint some Brother to appear for him, with whom all the proceedings shall be contradictorily conducted ; but should any brother be convicted during his absence, and without having been notified of the charges preferred against him, he shall, on his return and demanding it, have a new trial granted him.

SEC. 7. When any brother shall have been convicted and sentenced, he shall, on giving notice in writing, be allowed an appeal to the Grand Lodge ; whereupon the

Lodge shall forward to the Grand Secretary a full and attested copy of all the proceedings, documents and testimony in the case, and such testimony as has not been reduced to writing shall be taken by a committee of the Lodge in the same manner as is provided in Section 3 of this Article ; but no appeal shall be allowed if the party convicted permit an Annual Grand Communication to intervene without giving the required notice of his intention to appeal.

SEC. 8. If a sentence of expulsion or suspension be reversed by the Grand Lodge, it shall not restore the party to membership in his Lodge without the unanimous ballot of the Lodge in his favor. Nor shall a brother who has been expelled be restored to Masonic privileges, except by the Grand Lodge, and on the recommendation of the Lodge which expelled him.

SEC. 9. No Lodge shall give any other notice of the expulsion or suspension of a brother, than to the Grand Secretary, which it shall do immediately, and the Grand Secretary shall, within one month after receiving the same, send notice thereof to each Lodge in this jurisdiction, and to each Grand Lodge.

### CHAPTER III.—MISCELLANEOUS.

#### ARTICLE I.

##### **Grand Lodge Hall.**

SECTION 1. The Grand Lodge Hall, and the revenues arising therefrom, shall be placed in charge of a committee of nine brothers, to be called the "*Board of Di-*

*rectors of the Grand Lodge Hall,"* who shall have the entire control of the same, subject to the resolution incorporated in the act of purchase, these Regulations, and to the Resolutions and Edicts of the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 2. This committee shall consist of the Grand Master, Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, and six other members, three of whom shall be Masters of Lodges, to be chosen annually by the Grand Lodge, at the same time and under the same regulations which are provided for the election of the Grand Officers. Vacancies occurring during the recess of the Grand Lodge, may be filled by the Grand Master.

SEC. 3. The Grand Master shall be the President, and the Grand Secretary the Secretary of the Board of Directors. The Grand Tyler shall take care of the building and property, and receive such compensation therefor as the Board shall determine. A majority of the Board shall be necessary to form a quorum.

SEC. 4. The Board of Directors shall make all necessary improvements, changes, alterations or repairs to the building ; shall have power to make leases, collect rents, effect insurance, contract loans, if necessary, for the payment of the debts now incumbent on the property ; and in every other respect manage and administer the property and its appurtenances, as the agents of the Grand Lodge, and shall keep a correct record of all its transactions and proceedings.

SEC. 5. All the rents and revenues of the property, and all donations to the Charity Fund of the Grand Lodge, and the tax of two dollars per year on each

member, both that which is now due and to become due, as levied by the resolution of the Grand Lodge in 1854, (which resolution is continued in full force and effect,) shall, after the payment of such expenses on account of the building and appurtenances as may be indispensably necessary, together with all the surplus revenues proper of the Grand Lodge, be applied to the payment of the debts contracted on account of the Grand Lodge Hall, until the same be fully extinguished.

SEC. 6. So soon as the property shall be paid for, the whole revenue which may be derived from it, after the payment of the necessary and unavoidable expenses on its account, "shall be devoted exclusively to charitable purposes, in the relief of worthy distressed members of the Order, their Widows and Orphans, and be distributed in such manner as the Grand Lodge shall determine, not inconsistent with the general good."

SEC. 7. The Board of Directors may make such regulations for their own government, the keeping of their accounts, and the particular administration of the property, not inconsistent with the Constitution, General Regulations, Resolutions and Edicts of the Grand Lodge, as they shall deem necessary. They shall make a full report of their proceedings and the exact state and distribution of the funds under their control, at each Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.

## ARTICLE II.

### Louisiana Relief Lodge.

SECTION 1. The Charter granted to Louisiana Relief

Lodge, and issued on the 1st of July, 1854, is hereby perpetuated, and is to continue so long as two Constituent Lodges located in New Orleans shall desire to retain it. The members of said Lodge shall consist of its officers and the Masters and Wardens in office, (or their proxies,) of such Lodges as shall hold membership in the same.

SEC. 2. The officers of this Lodge and their duties shall correspond, so far as may be, with the regulations for the government of the Constituent Lodges. The Lodge may more particularly prescribe the duties of its officers and members, and make such other regulations as it may deem necessary to better accomplish the ends of its creation.

SEC. 3. It shall remain invested with all the property, rights, credits, effects and revenues, of whatsoever nature, which it now possesses, and have the power to receive donations and to raise means for its support and maintenance, and to invest or expend the same in any manner it may deem best and most conducive to the accomplishment of the ends of its creation, and under such regulations as itself shall determine.

SEC. 4. Said Lodge shall have no right to confer degrees, nor to Representatives in the Grand Lodge, nor shall it be required to pay any dues, fees or charges to this Grand Lodge. It shall annually make return of its officers and members, and the Lodges they represent, and report to the Grand Lodge at each Annual Grand Communication, a synopsis of all its transactions during the year, and such other matters as it shall deem of interest to the Grand Lodge or to Free-Masonry generally.



## ARTICLE III.

### Particular Provisions.

SECTION 1. No Master Mason who shall live in the vicinity of a Lodge under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge for the space of one year, and who shall be able to pay the dues required by said Lodge, and shall neglect to affiliate with such Lodge, unless he shall be a member in good standing of a Lodge under some other jurisdiction, shall be allowed the right of visit ; to assist at any of the public ceremonies and processions of the Order ; be entitled to Masonic burial, or to receive relief for himself or family from the Charity Funds of the Order.

SEC. 2. The Constituent Lodges may strike from the roll of their members, any Brother who shall be able and fail to pay his regular dues and contributions to the Lodge for the space of one year ; provided, that the Brother whose name is so stricken off, may renew his membership at any time within six months after he shall have been notified of the same, by paying all arrearages against him, including the time for which his name was stricken from the roll ; but should he fail to renew his membership within the six months after notification, he shall not be allowed to do so without first paying all arrearages up to the time he applies and takes all the steps necessary for affiliation.

SEC. 3. The Grand Secretary shall, under the supervision of the Grand Master, as soon as possible after the close of the Grand Annual Communication, cause to

be published a sufficient number of copies of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge, with the returns of the Constituent Lodges, etc., to supply each Constituent Lodge with at least seven copies, two copies for each Grand Officer and Grand Lodge in correspondence with this Grand Lodge, and such additional number of copies as may be necessary for the Grand Lodge Library, and for the use of the Grand Lodge. The Resolutions and Edicts of the Grand Lodge shall also be published in the French language.

SEC. 4. The Grand Master may draw warrants on the Grand Treasurer during the recess of the Grand Lodge for such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of the Constitution, these regulations, or the Resolutions and Edicts of the Grand Lodge, and for the incidental expenses of the same.

SEC. 5. All motions and resolutions in the Grand Lodge, or in the Constituent Lodges, shall be reduced to writing before being acted upon, whenever the presiding officer or the Secretary shall require it.

SEC. 6. The Grand Secretary shall issue Grand Lodge Diplomas over the signature of the Grand Master, and with the seal of the Grand Lodge attached, to any Brother who shall present a certificate of his good standing as a member in a Constituent Lodge of this jurisdiction, for which he shall receive a fee of five dollars, one half for himself, as the fee of his office, and the other half for the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 7. All Lodges under this jurisdiction are prohibited from employing any itinerant lecturer to instruct

them in the Ritual and Ceremonies of the Order, without the special permission of the Grand Lodge or Grand Master, in writing.

SEC. 8. That no Lodge in this State shall initiate, pass or raise, or admit to membership any person who is a citizen, or permanent resident of any other State or country having a Grand Lodge, unless the consent of the Grand Master or Grand Lodge of the said State or country has been first obtained.

## ARTICLE IV.

### Amendments, Etc.

SECTION 1. These By-Laws or General Regulations may be amended, altered or repealed, and new ones adopted, when the requisite quorum is present, at any Annual Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge, by a vote of two-thirds of those present; *Provided*, that the proposition to amend, alter, etc., shall have laid over from one session to another of the same Grand Communication, before it be finally acted upon.

All former Rules, Resolutions, Regulations and Edicts of this Grand Lodge, now in active force, are, by the adoption of these By-Laws or General Regulations, abrogated and repealed.

THE  
CHARGES  
OF A  
FREE-MASON,

EXTRACTED FROM  
THE ANCIENT RECORDS OF LODGES  
Beyond Sea, and of those in England, Scotland and Ireland, for the use of  
the Lodges in London :

TO BE READ  
At the making of new Brethren or when the Master shall order it.

(As published by the Grand Lodge of England, 1723.)\*

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The General Heads, viz.:

- I. Of GOD and RELIGION.
- II. Of the CIVIL MAGISTRATE, Supreme and Subordinate.
- III. Of LODGES.
- IV. Of MASTERS, *Wardens, Fellows and Apprentices.*
- V. Of the Management of the *Craft* in working.
- VI. Of BEHAVIOUR, viz :
  - 1. In the Lodge while Constituted.
  - 2. After the Lodge is over and the *Brethren* not gone.
  - 3. When Brethren meet without Strangers but not in a *Lodge*.
  - 4. In presence of *Strangers not Masons.*
  - 5. At *Home* and in the *Neighborhood.*
  - 6. Towards a *Strange Brother.*

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\* This copy has been minutely collated with an original copy of *Anderson's Constitutions*, in the possession of Bro. Rob Morris, and is found to be literally correct. The title-page of the original work is given as above.

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 *ATHIEST*, 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 *Centre of Union*, and the Means of conciliating true Friendship among Persons that must have remain'd at a perpetual Distance.

II.—*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 answered 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.

III.—*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 be subject to its *By-Laws*, and 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 Bond-men, no Women, no immoral or scandalous Men, but of good Report.

IV.—*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 incapable 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 qualifi'd, he may arrive at 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 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 *Gentleman* 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 a 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 a 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.

#### V.—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 observed.

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 employed 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*.

### XX.—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 refer'd, unless a *Lord's* work be hinder'd the meanwhile, 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 yourselves 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 *Catholic Religion* above mention'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 been always strictly enjoin'd and observed; but especially 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 a 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 deserv'd 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 Neighbours 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 Cape-stone, the *Cement and Glory* of this ancient *Fraternity*, avoiding all Wrangling and Quarreling, all Slander and Back-biting, not 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, you 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 listening to the honest and friendly Advice of *Master and Fellows*, when they would prevent your 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 Rancour, (not in the common way,) saying or doing nothing which may hinder *Brotherly Love*, and good Offices 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.

# ACT OF INCORPORATION.

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AN ACT Incorporating the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, John Soulié, P. F. Dubourg, L. Moreau Lislet, Modeste Lefebvre Senior, Yves Lemonier Junior, Augustus Guibert and J. B. Pinta, of the Grand Lodge of Free-Masons of this State, have by their petition stated that there has existed and still exists in this State divers Lodges or Societies of Free-Masons, over which there is a presiding or superintending Grand Lodge, composed of the petitioners as members and divers others who are or may join in promoting the good of the Craft, founded on the ancient usages of their Society, the principles of which are charity and universal benevolence; to the end, therefore, that charitable institutions may be promoted—

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana, in General Assembly convened, That the several persons herein before named and others who are or may become members of the said Grand Lodge, and their successors, shall be and are hereby deemed to be a body corporate and politic in name and deed, by the style of the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, and by the said name and style shall have perpetual succession of officers and members, and a common seal to use, and shall have full power to make, alter, amend and change such By-Laws as may be agreed on by the members of the same: Provided, such By-Laws be not repugnant to the laws or Constitution of this State or of the United States.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That they shall have full power and authority, under the style and name of the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, to take, hold and enjoy, real and personal property; to sue for and recover all such sum or sums of money as now are or hereafter may become due to the said Lodge, by any name or style whatever, at any court of law or any*

tribunal having jurisdiction thereof, and the rights and privileges of the said Lodge in any Court or at any tribunal whatever; to defend and also to receive, take and apply bequests or donations as may be made to and for the uses and purposes intended by the said institution.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That all the regular Lodges already constituted under the power and jurisdiction of the said Grand Lodge, are hereby declared to be bodies corporate and politic in name and deed, by whatever style or name they may be called and known in their constitution, with equal powers to those which are hereby given to the said Grand Lodge, so long as the said Lodges remain under the power and jurisdiction of the said Grand Lodge, and in all things abide by and conform themselves to the resolutions and by-laws of the same, and no longer.

MAGLOIRE GUICHARD, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

N. MERIAM, President of the Senate.

APPROVED, March 18, 1816.

WM. C. C. CLAIBORNE, Governor of the State of Louisiana.

[Acts of 1816, pp. 99 and 100.]

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AN ACT Supplementary to an Act entitled "An Act Incorporating the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, and for other purposes."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana, in General Assembly convened*, That all the regular Lodges which have been constituted by the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, since the passage of the Act to which this is a supplement, as well as all the regular Lodges, which shall be hereafter constituted by the same, are hereby declared to be bodies corporate and politic, in name and deed, by whatever style or name they may be called and known in their constitution, with equal powers to those which are given to the said Grand Lodge by the said Act, so long as the said Lodges shall remain under the power and jurisdiction of the said Grand Lodge, and in all things abide by and conform themselves to the resolutions and by-laws of the same, and no longer. APPROVED, February 11, 1819.

[Acts of 1819, p. 16.]

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THE Forty-Seventh Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful THE GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA, commenced in the City of New Orleans, at the Grand Lodge Hall, on St. Charles street, on Monday, February 14, 1859, at half-past six o'clock, P. M.

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- MOUNT VERNON.....No. 83—John W. Martin, W. M.  
John Cuthbertson, S. W.  
J. W. White, J. W.
- OLIVER.....No. 84—Wm. B. Hyman, W. M.  
Ben. F. Fulton, S. W.  
A. Cazabat, J. W.
- CYPRESS.....No. 89—J. T. Turnley, W. M.  
G. W. Sentell, S. W.  
Z. Doles, J. W.
- THIBODAUX BENEVOLENT No. 90—Clifford Belcher, W. M.  
F. L. Mead, S. W.  
L. C. Aubert, J. W.
- NAPOLEON.....No. 94—Benjamin Ford, W. M.  
J. R. Thomas, S. W.  
Samuel Smith, J. W.
- ST. HELENA.....No. 96—W. A. Carter, W. M.  
Amos Kent, S. W.  
J. J. Thompson, J. W.
- PATMOS.....No. 97—Josiah Stanbrough, W. M.  
L. E. Love, S. W.  
F. M. Dawson, J. W.
- HERMITAGE.....No. 98—Daniel Wilson, W. M.  
Thomas Burden, S. W.  
Adam Loos, J. W.

- HENDERSON.....No. 99—L. E. Texada, W. M.  
S. B. Shackelford, S. W.  
M. Carnahan, J. W.
- FRANKLINTON.....No. 101—James M. Burris, W. M.  
H. T. Burkhalter, S. W.  
John E. Morris, J. W.
- LOUISIANA.....No. 102—W. C. Driver, W. M.  
Aaron Harris, S. W.  
Louis Piderit, J. W.
- CLOUTIERVILLE.....No. 103—J. W. Norris, W. M.  
Emile Lamm, S. W.  
Alexis Moreau, J. W.
- TRINITY.....No. 105—J. Peebles, W. M.  
S. Thomas, S. W.  
A. J. Liddell, J. W.
- VIENNA.....No. 106—Wm. P. Otts, W. M.  
C. W. Lyles, S. W.  
John McLain, J. W.
- HARRISONBURG.....No. 110—William M. Tew, W. M.  
George H. Wells, S. W.  
Samuel C. Cuny, J. W.
- URIM.....No. 111—William M. Fuller, W. M.  
Seneca Martin, S. W.  
A. W. Sheppard, J. W.
- BARTHOLOMEW.....No. 112—A. S. Washburn, W. M.  
Charles Stewart, S. W.  
H. B. Cole, J. W.
- FRIENDSHIP.....No. 114—John W. Jones, W. M.  
J. Conger, S. W.  
M. C. Redwine, J. W.
- ACACIA.....No. 116—Henry S. Browne, W. M.  
John Marcot, S. W.  
Samuel Warden, J. W.

- TERRYVILLE.....No. 118—C. T. Williams, W. M.  
J. M. Dormon, S. W.  
J. E. Knowles, J. W.
- CONSTANTINE.....No. 119—J. P. Womack, W. M. (F. H. Hatch, proxy.)  
J. J. Smokey, S. W.  
J. Guice, J. W.
- LISBON.....No. 121—T. H. Pennington, W. M. (C. H. Tait, proxy)  
W. D. Hester, S. W.  
E. Carpenter, J. W. (C. H. Tait, proxy.)
- MACKEY.....No. 122—J. D. Cawthon, W. M.  
J. C. Theus, S. W.  
T. S. Shehee, J. W.
- PEARL RIVER.....No. 125—Jas. F. Ard, W. M. (H. W. Johnson, proxy.)  
Wm. J. Rankin, S. W.  
Joseph Ard, J. W.
- SPRINGHILL.....No. 127—James Moore, W. M.  
O. P. Wood, S. W. (J. P. Everett, proxy.)  
D. D. Dawkins, J. W.
- DAWSON.....No. 129—J. S. Gilbert, W. M. }  
V. V. Thompson, S. W. } H. M. Crenshaw,  
T. J. Gilbert, J. W. } proxy for all.
- SOLOMON .....No. 130—Thomas Mershon, W. M.  
Henry Goodrich, S. W.  
A. S. Manning, J. W.
- SHILOH.....No. 131—R. G. Pleasant, W. M.  
J. W. Faucher, S. W.  
D. W. Fuller, J. W.
- WARREN.....No. 132—Joseph Pettit, W. M.  
M. S. Osborn, S. W.  
Miles Washburn, J. W.
- HARRY HILL .....No. 134—S. G. Parsons, W. M.  
E. B. Pettiss, S. W.  
James Monette, J. W.

- PLAINS.....No. 135—H. C. Young, W. M.  
J. D. Nettles, S. W.  
James McCartney, J. W.
- JEFFERSONIAN ....No. 138—L. L. Tomkies, W. M.  
L. F. Scott, S. W.  
T. M. Lester, J. W.
- HOUMA.....No. 139—J. L. Jennings, W. M.  
J. B. Dunn, S. W.  
J. M. Pelton, J. W.
- HUNTINGTON.....No. 141—Almand Spencer, W. M.  
E. H. Fay, S. W.  
J. B. Hamilton, J. W.
- HOME .....No. 142—J. C. Batchelor, W. M.  
C. L. Hillger, S. W.  
R. W. Stanley, J. W.
- OCEAN .....No. 144—A. Goldman, W. M.  
J. P. Warner, S. W.  
G. Barth, J. W.
- HOPE .....No. 145—M. E. Girard, W. M. (Jno. M. Lee, proxy.)  
J. J. Caffery, S. W.  
A. V. Martin, J. W.
- SILENT BROTHERHOOD No. 146—F. L. Armistead, W. M.  
John E. Murph, S. W.  
George H. Wynn, J. W.
- ANACOCO .....No. 147—R. W. Martin, W. M.  
N. H. Bray, S. W.  
R. W. Smart, J. W.
- RED LAND .....No. 148—J. B. Campbell, W. M. (J. Q. A. Fellows, proxy.)  
W. E. Edens, S. W.  
J. M. Holloway, J. W.
- PERKINS.....No. 150—P. A. Lockhard, W. M. (A. J. Powell, proxy.)  
C. L. Mavor, S. W.  
E. B. Cox, J. W.

EASTERN STAR....No. 151—Wm. Walker, W.M.  
 John W. Stovall, S.W.  
 Elijah Sims, J.W.

SAINTS JOHN .....No. 153—A. B. Seger, W.M.  
 John Mitchell, S.W.  
 Thomas Hasam, J.W.

CHERRY RIDGE....No. 155—J. M. Bruce, W.M.  
 M. T. Simmons, S.W.  
 George Fenton, J.W.

KISSATCHIE .....No. 156—N. G. McNeely, W.M.  
 J. K. Phares, S.W.  
 J. M. Collins, J.W.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

H. REGENBURG,  
 L. R. CURTIS,  
 RICHARD B. LAWRENCE, } COMMITTEE.

A Roll of the Lodges entitled to a representation was then called, and the following were present :

Nos. P U. 1, P. S. 1, 19, 28, 31, 44, 45, 46, 47, 52, 53, 54, 57, 58, 61, 63, 65, 66, 68, 75, 76, 77, 78, 84, 94, 98, 102, 103, 112, 119, 121, 127, 129, 134, 142, 144, 147, 148, 151, 153, 155—Total, 41 Lodges.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced the following Standing Committees :

*Committee on Audit and Accounts.*

F. H. HATCH.....	Representing Constantine Lodge...	No. 119
W. C. DRIVER.....	" Louisiana Lodge.....	" 102
A. B. SEGER.....	" Saints John Lodge...	" 153

*Committee on Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges.*

SYL'R. G. PARSONS..	Representing Harry Hill Lodge...	No. 134
D. E. SCRUGGS.....	" Marion Lodge.....	" 68
CHAS. LAFFON .....	" Perfect Union Lodge..	" 1

*Committee on Work and Returns of Lodges Under Dispensation.*

J. E. S. HOUGH.....	Representing Mt. Gerizim Lodge...	No. 54
JAMES MOORE.....	" Springhill Lodge....	" 127
JOHN J. SEEDERS....	" Tunica Lodge.....	" 63

*Committee on Appeals and Grievances.*

J. Q. A. FELLOWS....	Representing Red Land Lodge.....	No. 148
J. B. SCOT.....	" Geo. Washington Lodge "	65
HY. REGENBURG.....	" Union Fraternal Lodge "	53
A. J. NORWOOD .....	" Kellertown Lodge....	" 124
JOHN C. GORDY.....	" Franklin Lodge.....	" 57
G. W. MUNDAY.....	" Olive Lodge.....	" 52
JOSEPH SANTINI....	" FoyerMaçonnique Lodge "	44

The M. W. Grand Master, AMOS ADAMS, then read to the Grand Lodge the following Address; which was, on motion, referred to a Special Committee, composed of Bros. J. C. Batchelor, Julius Aroni and L. R. Curtis :

BRETHREN—Another year has passed rapidly away, and we have again assembled in Annual Communication, again permitted to meet around the Altar and join in ascriptions of praise and thanksgiving to the Great Author of our being for past mercies and blessings, and to implore a continuance of his blessings upon us, and upon our deliberations. The past year has been one of general prosperity in our borders, and though this city has been visited with a fearful epidemic, which has claimed its thousands, victims in our midst, yet few of our brethren have fallen. I trust, my brethren, we have all come up here animated by the true spirit of Masonry, and in our deliberations to consult the true interests of the Order, to guard well our *Land Marks*

from encroachment, and to transmit the trust now in our hands unimpaired to our successors ; in all we do may our Eye be single, and this body full of true Masonic light.

It is my duty to present to you such information as I may possess of the condition of Masonry at home and abroad.

Two of the Past Grand Officers of this Grand Lodge during the past year have been called from time, Brothers DANIEL GOODMAN, Past Grand Treasurer, and F. F. PARMELE, Past Grand Marshal. From the character which both these Brethren bore, as good and true men and Masons, I trust that they have passed from the Lodge here below to the Grand Lodge above, where our Great Grand Master forever reigns.

I have the pleasure of informing you, brethren, that Masonry both in our own country and in foreign lands is in a highly healthy and prosperous condition. The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, now ready to report, will give you all necessary information from those with whom this Grand Lodge is in correspondence. In our own State Masonry is apparently in as good condition as at any former period, but truth compels me to say that the standard for the qualifications of candidates for our mysteries in many of our Lodges is too low ; there is not a proper appreciation of the importance of a high moral and intellectual standard being required ; a *negative* character, one in whom there is no harm and but little good, can never be an accession to Masonry. For the future well-being of our Order the standard should be raised, and we should admit none but such as can properly appreciate and practice the principles of Masonry ; when that is the case we may have a less number of votaries, but we shall have greater strength, and exercise a much greater and more happy influence than we can expect or hope to do, while our portals are opened to those whose practices are in direct contrast to the principles of Masonry.

With the information presented to you annually by the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, the publication of periodicals, the dissemination of Masonic books, and other sources, if we do not become enlightened Masons it is our own fault ; and if we, as Representatives of the Order, do not embrace these means of information and become "workmen that need not be ashamed," skillful and cunning in our

profession, we are recreant to our trust, and should be displaced to make room for others more worthy.

Masonry may increase in *numbers*, and its members may increase in a knowledge of the *Work* and *Ritual*, and yet unless we keep pace with the times, unless we become reading and reflecting Masons, ready and prepared to give a reason for the faith within us at all times, we are not discharging our duty to ourselves or those we represent.

I appointed and commissioned seven intelligent and discreet brethren as special Deputy Grand Masters, with the usual powers and assigned all the Lodges in the State, except those especially in charge of the R. W. D. G. Master, and some eight Lodges in my own vicinity, most of which I have visited—those that I did not visit I received such information as I thought superceded the necessity of paying them a formal visit.

A permanent Committee on Work was appointed two years since. At the last Annual Communication they made no report, for cause which they deemed sufficient, and the Grand Lodge authorized a Lodge of Instruction to be established, composed of the Masters and Wardens of the Lodges in New Orleans, for the purposes set forth in the said resolution, and to act in connection with the Permanent Committee, and report the result of their labor at this Communication.

The Relief Lodge has pursued the even tenor of its way during the past year, dispensing its blessings upon the needy and distressed, and during the fatal epidemic this year, upon the sick and dying, and performing the last sad Rites of the Order upon the dead. For this labor of love they will assuredly receive their reward. It is a matter of wonder and astonishment to me that there is *one* Lodge in the city of New Orleans that does not claim a share in this God-like charity, that there should be one who would not claim as a *right* to partake of the toils and hardships, as well as in the honor and glory of the Relief Lodge—this bright and shining jewel of the City of the South.

At the last Communication a Committee was appointed to procure a testimonial to present to our esteemed Brother, P. M. W. G. Master WM. M. PERKINS. That testimonial is prepared, and will be presented during the session of this Grand Lodge.

The last notes for the purchase of the Grand Lodge Hall, of \$12,485,



will be due in March next, and I am happy to inform the Grand Lodge that the funds will be ready to meet it; and thus, in five years, has this building, worth at least \$75,000, been paid for, and is now the property of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana.

The revenues, after paying necessary expenses, are pledged in the act of purchase to be appropriated exclusively to charitable purposes—to be distributed in such manner as the Grand Lodge shall determine. It is in charge of a Board of Directors, to be chosen annually by the Grand Lodge. I regret that Bro. Perkins had not continued one year longer to occupy this Chair, and to have made the announcement just made by myself. When he was elected Grand Master this enterprise was just commenced, and of doubtful success; but, through his untiring zeal and energy, during the four years he presided over this Grand Lodge, backed by an intelligent and zealous Board of Directors, and a noble constituency, the work is done, and we have now a charity fund equal to our requirements. I trust there will be as much wisdom in dispensing this stream of charity as there was in devising ways and means to obtain it.

I received a circular, issued by the Grand Lodge of Virginia, calling upon the Masonic Fraternity, throughout the United States, to contribute to the funds of the "*Mount Vernon Ladies' Association of the Union*," for the purpose of purchasing a portion of Mount Vernon, including the home and grave of GEORGE WASHINGTON, from the present proprietor, Mr. John A. Washington, for the sum of \$200,000. The Association have collected and paid already \$75,000—leaving the sum of \$125,000 yet to be paid. A few days since I received another circular, calling my attention to this subject, and endeavoring to correct an impression, entertained by some, that the property would eventually revert to the State of Virginia. It is true that in case the Mount Vernon Association *should ever become extinct*, in the Act they have prudently provided that Virginia shall keep and preserve it as a National property.

It is only necessary for me to call your attention to this subject, for I feel well assured that it will meet a hearty response by this Grand Lodge; and I trust that the Masonic Fraternity of Louisiana will most heartily respond to this call. I recommend that a Committee be appointed to take this subject into consideration. I am informed by the Grand Secretary that "*Henderson Lodge, No. 99*," of our State,

has already taken a step in this matter, and has sent up \$25, now in the hands of the Grand Secretary.

I received a circular from Bro. John Dove, of Richmond, Va., a member of the Permanent Committee, for the United States of America, appointed by the Universal Congress, assembled at Paris, in the year A. D. 1856, calling attention to the objects of the said Congress, and the proper time and place for another meeting. I replied to the circular, approving generally the action of the last Congress, and of the assembling of another at no distant day.

During the year I have received numerous letters, asking for advice, instruction, and Masonic Law or information. They have been numerous, and upon almost all subjects. A large number I have answered privately, when there was no question to arise out of them ; others I have answered officially, and retained copies. There is but one or two that I propose to present to the Grand Lodge. One is the true intent and meaning of the Article III, Section 1, of Chapter 3, of the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge. I have read several communications by Brethren who seem to suppose the last clause of that By-Law as absolutely binding, as the first. I understand, and have so decided, that that By-Law intended to prohibit demitted Masons, who had been so a year, and did not affiliate or apply to affiliate, and lived convenient to a Lodge, from the *right* of visiting a Lodge or joining in any procession or public ceremony of the Order; and they had no *right* or *claim* to Masonic burial, or to the Charity funds of the Order. It prohibits the Lodge from permitting such a person to visit it; but it leaves the Lodges free to *grant* to them Masonic burial or Masonic Charity.

The 2d. What constitutes a physical disability? That question has arisen this year, and may arise again. I have had to decide the question ; but, perhaps, my decision will not be in accordance with the views of the Grand Lodge. My decision was, that a candidate with but *one ear* constituted such a defect or malformation as to preclude him from enjoying the privileges of the Order. I am aware that there are conflicting opinions upon this question, and I hope the Grand Lodge will appoint a Committee to take this question into consideration.

The Grand Master of Mississippi addressed a communication to me, endorsing the action of the Committee on Complaints at the

Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Mississippi, in January, 1858; in which complaint is made that Orleans Lodge, No. 78, had conferred the Degrees of Masonry upon one Jacob Roth, a citizen of Mississippi. I made inquiry, and found that properly no blame could attach to Orleans Lodge. Jacob Roth came to New Orleans in May, 1857, and married; he opened a dry goods store, and stated that New Orleans was his residence and future home. The last of July he applied to Orleans Lodge, giving his birth place Poland; his residence New Orleans. His conduct while in New Orleans had been good; a committee reported upon his case, and he was initiated in September, passed in September, and raised in October. No intention appears upon the part of Orleans Lodge to infringe upon the rights of Mississippi. In answer to the communication, I stated these facts, and presume they were satisfactory, as I have not heard from the case since.

At the last Communication of this Grand Lodge, my predecessor announced that he had appointed M. W. F. Luke Barbour, P. G. Master, as our Representative near the Grand Lodge of Arkansas; Brother William P. Chilton, of Montgomery, Alabama, as our Representative near the Grand Lodge of Alabama; and James M. Austin, M. D., of New York, as our Representative near the Grand Lodge of New York; limiting the time of Brother Austin to that Masonic year, and at the same time received and welcomed the following Representatives near this Grand Lodge:

R. W. THOMAS H. LEWIS,	Representative for	Arkansas.
R. W. R. F. MCGUIRE,	"	" New York.
R. W. SAMUEL M. TODD,	"	" Alabama.
R. W. J. Q. A. FELLOWS,	"	" Vermont.

During the present year, I have sent a commission to JAMES M. AUSTIN, M. D., in place of the temporary one sent by my predecessor; also, have commissioned Brother WILLIAM P. RUSSEL, of Middlebury, Vermont, and Brother JAMES A. LEITCH, of Richmond, Virginia, as our Representatives near the Grand Lodge of those States.

By resolution of the Grand Lodge of last session, the Grand Master was authorized to appoint and keep in office, at his pleasure, Representatives of this Grand Lodge, near other Grand Lodges, when deemed advisable. I have not availed myself of this permission only

to a limited extent. We have Representatives, as you will have noticed, in Arkansas, New York, Alabama, Virginia and Vermont; the number will, doubtless, increase as other Grand Lodges shall, from time to time, desire the interchange.

I concur in the opinion of my predecessor, that much good may result from the system of Grand Lodge Representation, at or near our sister Grand Lodges, and Foreign Masonic Bodies; it doubtless will beget a more fraternal feeling, and a better acquaintance and understanding. I can hardly imagine a possible contingency where harm can grow out of it.

I authorized the Grand Secretary, when Lodges had forfeited their Charters, and who had furnished him with no proper data upon which to settle with members for arrearages of dues, to ascertain all the indebtedness of the Lodge, both to the Grand Lodge and otherwise, and divide the amount by the number of members upon the register of the said Lodge; and when a member came forward and paid his proportion, the Grand Secretary was authorized to grant a certificate of good standing, equivalent to a demit. I was aware that a rule of this kind might act hardly in some cases; but, as the Lodge had neglected to keep proper accounts, or none at all, I saw no more equitable way than for all the members to share alike.

A Dispensation was granted by me in July last, authorizing Acacia Lodge, No. 116, to remove the Lodge to Plaquemine, in the same Parish, it being considered a more eligible position; Iberville Lodge having surrendered her Charter. A Dispensation was also granted to Livingston Lodge, U. D., to remove from Springfield to Ponchitoula, some ten miles from Springfield, in the same Parish.

I granted Dispensations to Acacia Lodge, No. 116, and Gordy Lodge, No. 133, to hold an election of officers after the time prescribed in the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge, they both having failed to elect, from the continued storm of the day for their regular meeting in December.

Under the Resolution of the Grand Lodge (see page 71), I appointed Brother Phillip Meyers, to demand from the late Pleasant Hill Lodge, No. 86, the Charter, Books, Papers, Jewels, etc., of said Lodge, which duty he performed and made his returns.

A Dispensation was granted to Brother J. B. Scot, W. M. of George

Washington Lodge, No. 65, to heal Felix E. Costanizi, and for the said Lodge to act upon his petition.

A Dispensation was granted to Jeffersonian Lodge, No. 138, authorizing said Lodge to ballot for the second and third Degrees, without requiring the presence of seven members of that Lodge, *provided* they pursued all other legal formalities required in our By-Laws, for reasons set forth in said Dispensation.

I appointed Brother Thomas H. Lewis, R. W. Past D. G. Master, as my Deputy to repair to Opelousas, and dedicate a new Hall, erected by, and for the use of, Humble Cottage Lodge, No. 19; also, to Brother William M. Tew, W. Master of Harrisonburg Lodge, as my Deputy to repair to Harrisonburg, and dedicate a new Masonic Hall, erected by, and for the use of, Harrisonburg Lodge, No. 110.

On the 15th of July, I proceeded to lay the corner stone of a tomb, to be erected by Germania Lodge, No. 46, with appropriate ceremonies, assisted by other members of the Grand Lodge; a large number of the Brethren from other Lodges attended on the occasion. The Grand Lodge opened in the Germania Lodge Hall, and proceeded from thence to the Greenwood Cemetery, on Metairie Ridge, where a numerous company of ladies and gentlemen had assembled to witness the ceremony. A sumptuous repast was prepared for the Brethren on their return to the Hall.

On the 5th of July last, I received a statement from a number of Brethren who visited Concorde Lodge, No. 3, at a regular meeting of said Lodge, held about that time. Charles F. Heunisch, W. M. being present. They there met with members of a Clandestine Lodge called "*Silencio*," and with M. A. Calongne, and others of the late Perseverance Lodge. These visiting Brethren objected to these clandestine Masons being admitted, but the W. M. admitted them notwithstanding. On the receipt of this statement, I repaired to New Orleans, and tried to get a meeting of Concorde Lodge, but failed. In the absence of Brother Todd, R. W. D. G. Master, I appointed Brother J. Q. A. Fellows Deputy Grand Master, and requested him to call a meeting of the Lodge at the earliest opportunity. About the time I left New Orleans, the yellow fever broke out, and the Lodge ceased its labors for the summer. Late in the fall I wrote to Brother Fellows upon the subject, and he thought it best to let the matter rest until the meeting of the Grand Lodge. It would perhaps have been best to have arrested

the Charter last summer, but under all the circumstances, concluded to adopt this course. I therefore present the statement of these Brethren to the Grand Lodge for such action as may be deemed best.

On the fourth of the present month, I received a communication from Brother H. C. Merrifield, complaining of the conduct of Brother A. P. Dostie, W. M. of Orleans Lodge, No. 78; and preferring charges against him for arbitrary and unmasonic conduct, while presiding over the said Lodge. The charges came into my hands too late to prepare them in time to bring them perfectly before the Grand Lodge at this session—as the accused is, in all cases, entitled to certain delays. I have thought it best, therefore, to refer the matter in its present form, for the action of the Grand Lodge. Accompanying the letter and charges, is also a certified copy of Brother Dostie's remarks at a subsequent meeting of said Lodge.

At the last annual session of the Grand Lodge, the following resolution was passed (see page 104):

*“Resolved, That this Grand Lodge advance to Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, under its jurisdiction, all the pecuniary aid necessary to procure counsel in the recovery of their property.”*

I was called on, in accordance with this resolution, to guarantee the payment of costs in a suit pending in the Third District Court, by A. R. Morel, Worshipful Master of Polar Star Lodge, which was complied with. I signed a guarantee, as Grand Master, for the sum of three hundred dollars, which is deposited, as security for costs, in the Clerk's office of said Third District Court.

Of the seven Special Deputy Grand Masters, I have received a report but from one—Brother A. S. Washburn. His report contains matter for the consideration of the Grand Lodge. It accompanies this address.

A statement of the condition of the suits in Court, in which the Grand Lodge is interested, will be made to you by Brother Fellows, who is employed as counsel in these suits. I will state, that no final action has been had.

I received, this day, a petition, signed by twenty-two members of St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 5, asking to be again received and restored to their former position under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge;

and setting forth, at length, the reasons why they were induced to withdraw last year from the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge. The reasons there set forth show that strong efforts were made to prejudice their minds, by making false statements of the action and intentions of the Grand Lodge. I trust that the petition will be received, and acted upon in a proper and fraternal spirit. I would recommend that the petition be spread upon our records, and published with the proceedings, to show the means resorted to by disorganizers to accomplish their ends.

A Masonic Lodge was first established in 1793, in New Orleans, then a Spanish Province. After it became a part of our Confederacy, and a State Government was established, in 1812, a Grand Lodge was formed, and has continued up to the present time. There are a few aged Brethren still with us who have been under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, as active Masons, during nearly the whole period of its existence. Culling from the records and documents now in the archives of the Grand Lodge, and from other sources, and gleaning from the memory of these ancient Brethren, an exceedingly interesting History of Masonry in Louisiana might, at this time, be produced. A few years' delay, and, in the course of things, our venerable Brethren will pass away, and the records of our Grand Lodge, now so full and complete, may, by some unforeseen casualty, be destroyed. I submit, then, whether the proper time has not come for this Grand Lodge to collect the materials, and cause a History of Freemasonry in this State to be published. No future time can be as propitious as the present. Many Grand Lodges are moving in this direction. I believe few could furnish richer materials than ours, extending over a period of near seventy years. Our Order in this State can furnish a number of Brethren, either of whom would present a work of this kind that would do honor to the Grand Lodge.

I feel that I cannot close this address, and do my own feelings justice, without referring to the vital importance of guarding well the entrance into the Lodge. I am persuaded that many—very many of our Lodges—are not sufficiently guarded here. There is too great a laxity on the part of Committees appointed to investigate and report upon the fitness of candidates. Too great care here cannot be taken. It is through these Committees that the members of a Lodge derive the principal information of the fitness of a candidate to become a

Mason ; hence the importance of a thorough investigation and a full report. It is not enough to say that there is no harm in the applicant ; but the question should be, what advantage will he be to the Order ? what are his *moral* qualities ? what his intellectual qualities ? what are his habits ? what his associations ? Does he reverence the G. A. O. T. U. ? These and many other questions should be answered. How common is it on the evening on which a candidate is to be ballotted for, and after a report is called for, for the Committee to have a hasty consultation, and agree upon a report, without having given the subject any investigation, and then draw up a report, simply saying that they report favorably, leaving the Lodge in as much darkness as before ? This, my Brethren, is all wrong. The Committee should be required to make a written report, giving to the Lodge the grounds upon which a favorable or unfavorable report is founded. More injury to Masonry is done by admitting one unworthy applicant than can be remedied for years. This caution is particularly applicable to young Lodges. They commence with a few members, and there is a desire to increase in numbers and strength, and think, perhaps, that as soon as a healthy number have been received, they will be more careful ; but, by this want of care at the onset, the Lodge tumbles into ruin and disgrace.

In connection with this is the subject of Masonic information and study. We live in an age of progress and of intelligence, and if we, as a society, would maintain our present standing, we must not be content with a mere superficial acquaintance with the Work and Lectures of the different Degrees, or, indeed, with a thorough knowledge of them—for, while this is necessary, yet if this is all we do, we neglect the weightier matters of the Law—this should we do, but not leave the other undone. Masons, in past ages, were excused, because of the few helps to be obtained ; but now there is no reason or excuse for a Mason to be ignorant of the History, Jurisprudence, Doctrines and Principles of Masonry. Many intelligent Brethren have devoted themselves, their time, and talents, and have presented the fruits of their ardent labor to Masons at the present day ; and he who hereafter remains ignorant, while light is flooding the land—Masonic light—as presented in quarterly, monthly and weekly periodicals, and in the publication and republication of Masonic books—remains wilfully, and I might say, criminally ignorant,



This Grand Lodge has a constituency of about 4,000, besides the *drones* or demitted Masons ; among that number are some of the best and most talented men in the State ; lawyers, divines, merchants, mechanics and planters, men who in their various professions are not satisfied with a superficial knowledge of that which renders them ornaments in their various callings. Why then should they be content to take Masonry upon trust? Let us awake, Brethren, to the importance of an intelligent, reading and reflecting constituency; and let us endeavor as soon as possible to place in the reach of all, the means to acquire a full knowledge of the Order. When this is the case, when a large proportion of our members shall inform themselves by the helps in their reach, then will our beloved Order acquire a much higher stand, and will command the respect and admiration of those who are not of us.

There is a species of charlatanism becoming quite too common in our State and country ; it is the insertion of cards and advertisements in newspapers, emblazoned with Masonic emblems, and addressed to the Fraternity; in other words making merchandise of Masonry. It is a base prostitution of our expressive emblems, and should be reprobated by every worthy member of the Order.

I have thus presented to the Grand Lodge such matters as I deemed important. I may have omitted some things which ought to have been presented to you for your consideration ; if so, the Grand Lodge will supply my short comings.

In conclusion, Brethren, I thank you for the trust placed in my hands during the past year. I hope no interest has suffered either by neglect or incompetence; if I have committed errors in my decisions, it has been of the head and not of the heart. I desire to return the trust unimpaired, and may the Great Grand Master above have us all in his holy keeping, and prepare us for that spiritual building, that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

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*To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the State of Louisiana :*

I beg leave respectfully to report to you my labors as D. D. G. M., under the commission issued by you on the sixth day of May last, (but which did not reach me until late in June), instructing me

to visit, inspect and instruct the Lodges in the Parishes of Morehouse, Ouachita and Union, and a few others.

The season being so far advanced when your commission came to hand, and my health being feeble, having just risen from a sick bed, I was, at that time, unable to perform any of my prescribed duties out of my own immediate neighborhood. The summer and fall having been attended with more sickness than usual, my professional duties forbade my absence until late in the season.

In the month of November I sent out a list of appointments, and visited the following named Lodges, examined their records, lectured and instructed them to the best of my ability, viz.: Napoleon, No. 94; DeWitt Clinton, No. 80; Springhill, No. 127; Thomas Jefferson, No. 113; Shiloh, No. 131; Cherry Ridge, No. 155, and Union Fraternal, No. 53. I had designed to visit D'Arbonne, Downsville, Western Star, Urim, Vienna and Friendship; but having contracted a hoarseness which rendered it difficult and painful for me to speak, I deemed it expedient to return home, intending at another time to complete my circuit; but my time has, up to this period, been so occupied that I have not been able to do so.

The meetings of Mount Gerizim Lodge, No. 54, and Harry Hill, No. 134, situated at Bastrop, I have frequently attended, assisted in their work, and lectured them, and can bear testimony to the Masonic spirit and good order which characterize them. Bartholomew Lodge, No. 112, over which I have the honor to preside, I have endeavored to regulate and instruct to the best of my ability, and feel a pleasure in being able to state that "peace and harmony prevail" among us, and a good degree of zeal is manifested in promoting the true principles of the Order.

Most of the Lodges I have visited complain of remissness among their members in attending on their stated communications, rendering it often difficult, and sometimes impossible, to form a constitutional quorum for the transaction of business. This condition of things is greatly to be deplored; and I endeavored, as far as possible, to arouse a more zealous Masonic spirit, which would insure greater punctuality in attending the Lodges.

In some of the Lodges I found the officers and members expert in the work of the Lodge, while in others there was a want of proper knowledge in this respect.

Experience and observation have convinced me that nothing approaching to Uniformity in Work will be attained among our country Lodges, until a system of instruction shall be adopted entirely different from the present. Some of the Grand Lodges have, I believe, in a good degree, accomplished this desirable end, by requiring the Grand Lecturers or District Deputy Grand Masters to meet together and adopt a Uniform System of Work and Lectures, to be approved by the Grand Lodge; then each Grand Lecturer or D. D. Grand Master gives due notice to all the Lodges in his District, appointing a place of meeting, and requiring each Lodge to send up two of its first officers, or other apt brethren, all of whom are required to remain and receive instruction from the Grand Lecturer or D. D. G. M., until all have acquired the Work and Lectures alike. By a system somewhat like this, I believe, the Grand Lodges of Mississippi, Alabama, and some others, have succeeded in securing a Uniformity of Work and Lectures lamentably wanting with us in Louisiana.

I know that there are those who attach little importance to the Ceremonies and Lectures of Masonry—who believe that the great moral ends of the Order can be obtained without them. But I beg leave to differ with such brethren. Without our ceremonies, and the proper explanation of their beautiful symbolism, our moral teachings would lose half their significance, and the universality of Masonry would be wanting. Under this want of system and uniformity in ceremonial and lecture, too, our means of recognition would soon become so changed and so various, that brethren of neighboring States and countries would be unable to recognize each other, and the parts of our mystic temple would no longer fit with that exact nicety as to be put together without the use of metal tools; nor would we, from the marks upon the different blocks, be able to detect and punish the faulty craftsmen.

With my sincere wishes for your own prosperity and happiness, and the prosperity and usefulness of our beloved Order, the above is

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted.

A. S. WASHBURN, D. D. G. M.

*Morehouse Parish, La., Dec. 31, 1858.*

The Grand Secretary then informed the Grand Lodge that he was pained to state the inability of the W. G. Treasurer, from sickness, to be present, but read the following report from him, which was referred to the Committee on Audit and Accounts :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

BRETHREN : Another year has rolled around since we last met in General Convocation. The year 1859 has been ushered into the world's history, for weal or woe to many of us ; let us therefore improve ourselves while life is with us.

I truly hope that every Mason here will hail the assembling of our Grand Lodge this year, with bright hopes and strong purpose of promoting general good to Masonry while in General Assembly, and leave with stronger purpose of being bright ornaments to the Craft.

Custom and Constitutional requirements makes it my duty to present again my account current, as Grand Treasurer, showing the financial condition of your Treasury, together with vouchers, etc., which are herewith respectfully submitted :

STEPHEN C. MICHELL, GRAND TREASURER,

*In Account with Grand Lodge of Louisiana.*

1858.

Dr.

Feb. 9—To Balance on hand as approved by Committee on Audits and Accounts.....	\$3,323 24
Received from Grand Secretary at various times from February 18, 1858, to February 7, 1859, in warrants paid by him, and cash together, as per my receipts.....	21,811 60
	<u>\$25,134 84</u>

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By Disbursements at various times, from February 18, 1858, to January 31, 1859, for account of Grand Lodge of Louisiana, as per vouchers or warrants numbered from 1 to 43, herewith.....	5,039 81
By amounts disbursed at various times from March 1, 1858, to February 11, 1859, as per vouchers herewith, for account of the Grand Lodge Hall.....	14,564 20
Feb. 9—Leaving a balance to the credit of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, in the Louisiana State Bank, of New Orleans, of.....	5,530 83
	<u>\$25,134 84</u>

STEPHEN C. MITCHELL,  
*Grand Treasurer.*

The Grand Secretary then read the following Report from himself:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

BRETHREN—By the mercy of a Divine Providence, I am once more permitted to submit for your consideration the official transactions of my office during the past Masonic year.

Very soon after your adjournment, the proceedings of your last Annual Communication were printed, and regularly distributed as far as in my power. In order that no Lodge might plead ignorance of your acts at that Communication, I immediately transmitted, by mail, one copy to each Lodge outside of New Orleans, and, in my monthly circulars, again requested them to instruct me in the quickest and safest method of transmitting their quota of copies for distribution in their Lodges; and I am pleased to say that this request has been more generally complied with during the past year, than any previous one—there remaining in my office now only those belonging to the following Lodges: Many, No. 88; Vienna, No. 106; Friendship, No. 114; and Dawson, No. 129; from whom no instructions have been received authorizing their transmission.

By the authority of resolutions passed at your sessions of February 10th and 12th, 1858, Charters were issued to the following Lodges:

DARLINGTON, No. 149, at Darlington, St. Helena Parish;  
PERKINS, No. 150, at Donaldsonville, Ascension Parish;  
EASTERN STAR, No. 151, at Winnfield, Winn Parish;  
HOMER, No. 152, at Homer, Claiborne Parish;  
SAINTS JOHN, No. 153, at Algiers, Orleans Parish;  
FILLMORE, No. 154, at Fillmore, Bossier Parish;  
CHERRY RIDGE, No. 155, at Cherry Ridge, Union Parish;  
KISSATCHIE, No. 156, at Kissatchie, Natchitoches Parish.

Accompanying these Charters, I transmitted the M. W. Grand Master's proper authorizations to duly qualified Brethren to consecrate and constitute, and install, the officers of those Lodges. Returns of the faithful and correct performance of said duty have been regularly received at my office, in each case, except that of Kissatchie, No. 156, which was given in charge to our Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden, S. O. Scruggs, who informs me, however, that he

duly and regularly performed that duty, and transmitted his return thereof by mail, but which never came to hand.

At the close of your last Annual Communication, Patmos Lodge, No. 97; Trinity, No. 105; Terryville, No. 118; Dawson, No. 129; and Cool Spring, No. 140, had made no Returns for the year 1857; and, in accordance with the Regulations of the Grand Lodge, I immediately notified them of this default. Since then, I am pleased to say, I received the Returns and dues of all those Lodges.

In accordance with your resolution of February 15, 1858, I notified all those Lodges which had accumulated balances on the books of the Grand Lodge, and, I am pleased to say, that, in many instances, they were fully canceled; and, in others, partly paid, as far as the ability of their respective treasuries would permit. Some, I regret to say, have made no reply to the communication accompanying your resolution. There is now due the Grand Lodge, by Subordinate Lodges, about \$1,500. The particular Lodges who owe balances can find their respective amounts by referring to my statistical table of Lodges in this State.

By your order, as per resolution of February 12, 1858, a Dispensation was issued on the 23d of that month to LIVINGSTON LODGE, to be held at *Springfield*, Parish of Livingston. Since its establishment, this Lodge finding its original location inconvenient for the majority of its members, has applied for and obtained the Grand Master's permission to change its locality to *Ponchitoula*, in the same Parish, and on the line of the New Orleans, Jackson and Great Northern Railroad.

The above is the only Dispensation for forming a new Lodge which has been issued since your adjournment of last year.

On the 18th of February, 1858, three days after the adjournment of your last session, a petition was filed in my office for a Dispensation for a new Lodge, to be called CAPITOL, and to be located at Baton Rouge, which was afterwards withdrawn.

I have also on file in my office since July last, petitions for the establishment of the following new Lodges, namely:

BURNSVILLE LODGE, to be located in the Northern part of Claiborne Parish.

BROOKVILLE LODGE, to be located at Lafourche Lake, in Claiborne Parish.

These applications being unaccompanied by the required certificates of good standing of the petitioners, have not yet been issued. A few days ago I received, through Bro. A. S. Washburn, the demits of a sufficient number of the signers of the petition for BROOKVILLE LODGE, to enable it to be issued, but the time being too short for any return to be made to you under said Dispensation, I have deferred issuing it until after the close of your present Communication. This Dispensation, it will be remembered, is to be issued under a resolution of your Body passed last Annual Communication, free of charge, to such brethren as may properly petition, "living in the neighborhood of the late Brookville Lodge, never organized."

ADAISE LODGE, U. D.—This Lodge, which was never organized, and whose Dispensation was canceled last year, has sent the only book in its possession to Phoenix Lodge, No. 38.

MORGANZA LODGE, U. D., which failed to send up its returns and dues at your last Communication, has since complied with those requirements, and in accordance with your resolution, its Dispensation was renewed until your present Communication.

SWAN LAKE LODGE, U. D.—This Lodge has made no return since the issuing of its Dispensation, May 14th, 1856. At your last communication, its Dispensation was authorized to be extended on making returns and paying dues. Of this action I have twice officially informed Bro. Wm. L. Knox, the W. M. named in the Dispensation, but have received no reply. It will be necessary, therefore, to take some further action in its case, either to authorize its continuance or cancellation.

NAPOLEON LODGE, No. 94.—The Charter of this Lodge, which has been canceled, was, in accordance with your resolution, duly reissued to the petitioners therefor.

TAYLOR LODGE, No. 100.—This Lodge, whose Charter was canceled by you last year, received from the Grand Master a Special Dispensation to resume its labors, but Bro. John C. Blackman, its Past Master, to whom said Dispensation was granted, has since returned it, having found it impossible to resuscitate the Lodge. The M. W. Grand Master immediately instructed the W. M. of Homer Lodge, No. 152, to take possession of the effects of Taylor Lodge, No. 100,

in trust for the Grand Lodge. Taylor Lodge owed a balance at the time of cancelment of her Charter of \$349 41.

MURRAY LODGE, No. 137.—This Lodge, which failed to make any returns for 1856 and 1857, and whose charter was returned and accepted last year, has not yet transmitted any books of accounts to my office, whereby certificates may be issued to its members. Its affairs were specially entrusted to Bro. Phillip Meyers, W. M. of Oliver Lodge, No. 84, who will, no doubt, render full particulars of its condition.

PLEASANT HILL LODGE, No. 86.—The affairs of this Lodge, whose Charter was forfeited at your session of 1856, and some of whose books and papers have been returned, are also specially committed to Bro. P. Meyers, who will report to you thereon.

BELLEVUE LODGE, No. 95, who made her returns, paid her dues, and surrendered her charter at your last Annual Communication, has (on May 12, 1858,) returned to my office all her books, papers, and other effects, together with the sum of \$24 49, balance of funds in hands of her Treasurer at the time of surrendering charter.

IBERVILLE LODGE, No. 81.—This Lodge, whose charter was forfeited at your Annual Communication of 1856, and who received a Special Dispensation to resume its labors, which was cancelled at your last Communication, again requires your special attention.

Soon after your adjournment, last year, I received a letter from Bro. Wm. Long, its last W. M., informing me that the landlord had seized upon its effects for rent, and unless some action was had, they would be sold at public auction. Acting immediately under the authority of Deputy Grand Master, S. M. Todd, I repaired forthwith to Plaquemine, the location of said Lodge, and found her affairs in a truly deplorable condition—her doors locked, her effects in the hands of an officer of the law, and her treasury bankrupt. I immediately found the W. M., and Bro. J. H. Balch, a member of the Lodge, whose brother (not a Mason,) I found to be the landlord. Through the influence of Bro. Balch I obtained the consent of the landlord to transfer the possession of the books, papers, and all Lodge paraphernalia, to Bro. Balch, on the promise so soon as the books and papers could be obtained, and the dues collected, his rent would be paid, as



the W. M. (Bro. Wm. Long,) assured me there were more than sufficient due the Lodge to pay all her liabilities.

Since then, and in accordance with that arrangement, I have received from Bro. Balch all the books, etc., of the Lodge, except the fixtures. On examination of the books of accounts, I find it impossible to tell the condition of its affairs, or the indebtedness of its members. By its minute book, work has been done since its forfeiture of charter, and under Special Dispensation, which has never been returned to this Grand Lodge for its approval or condemnation. I have some bills against members, made out by the Secretary of the Lodge; but it is impossible to find, from the books, on what they are based. I have been informed, however, that Bro. Peter Kelly, the last Secretary, has in his possession some books, which he refused to deliver up to the Worshipful Master, and for which I have twice written, but obtained no reply.\*

From all the information I have obtained, this Lodge has been in a state of anarchy, instead of "peace and harmony," for some time. Its officers have been totally neglectful of inculcating, much less of practicing, those pure principles of our Institution—"Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth," which are taught at its threshold, as the first lesson to all her initiates.

I have on file all the correspondence in regard to the affairs of this Lodge, for the use of the appropriate Committee, to whom you may refer them. By reference to them it will be seen that the total amount of her indebtedness contracted is \$345 00, outside of her indebtedness to the Grand Lodge. A portion of this indebtedness are orders drawn on her treasury, when it was known no funds were there to meet them. This, in the every-day transactions of life, would not be considered honesty or fair dealing, and certainly cannot be sanctioned in a Masonic Lodge.

Some steps should be taken to compel the late officers of this Lodge to make up their records, in such a manner as they might be intelligible, and give a basis upon which her affairs may be fully settled.

For reasons which must be apparent to this Grand Lodge (and at

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\* Since writing the above I have been informed by Bro. Matthew Marr, that Bro. Kelly has delivered up his books, etc., to Bro. J. H. Balch.

the request of our Grand Master), I have submitted these facts for your action. If the members of a Lodge, acting under your authority, are quietly suffered to let that authority be forfeited by default, after having merited censure, without even being rebuked therefor; and if such precedents be once permitted, then the powers of this Grand Lodge are misunderstood by me. But I am fully satisfied you will take such action as will protect the character of our institution and maintain the dignity of this Grand Lodge.

JOPPA LODGE, No. 74.—This Lodge surrendered her Charter in July, 1858, and it will be remembered her books and papers were destroyed by fire on a steamer in Red River, *en route* for this city. At your last Annual Communication a resolution was passed authorizing me to grant demits of good standing to all her members, who could satisfy me they were entitled to the same. Having no books or data upon which to base an opinion as to who was legally and justly entitled to such certificate, I addressed our M. W. Grand Master on the subject, and suggested to him a plan by which justice might be done to all, the affairs of the Lodge honorably settled, and demits granted to its members in good standing, and solicited his authority to act thereon. This plan was to obtain from the last officers of the Lodge a full statement of her outstanding liabilities, if any, add the same to her indebtedness to the Grand Lodge, and taking a list of her members at the time of her surrender, require a *pro rata* from each, sufficient to cancel her total indebtedness; and on payment thereof (no other charges pending or known,) issue a certificate of good standing.

The plan meeting the sanction of our Grand Master, I immediately addressed Bro. N. E. Wright, the last returned W. M. of Joppa Lodge, requesting a statement of his Lodge's indebtedness at the time of surrendering her Charter. He promptly replied that the Lodge owed nothing, only to the Grand Lodge, and dissented from the plan proposed to issue the certificates.

Many arguments might be used in favor of this plan, in all such cases, but I deem one sufficient. I hold that the members of a Lodge, as such, are individually and collectively responsible for all her acts. If the members of a Lodge, who pay their dues regularly, when *called upon*, fail to attend their Lodge, and require delinquents to comply with the duties incumbent under their By-Laws, they certainly are guilty of an omission of duty; and thus give character to

the unworthy, until such a time arrives as the Lodge is unable to find a legitimate quorum for business, and the Master and Wardens are compelled to return their Charter, rather than have it arrested in their possession. When that time has come, these Brethren, who have *omitted* a large part of their duty, shield themselves behind the assertion of having promptly and punctually paid *all their* dues, or are ready to do so, and leave the Grand Lodge to perform the duties which devolved upon them as a subordinate body—namely, that of suspending from the enjoyment of the privileges of our institution *all who fail to perform* their duty.

The correspondence in regard to this question is on file, subject to your Committee's inspection, and I hope the Grand Lodge will express some opinion in regard to the question.

CONCORDE LODGE, No. 3.—On the 8th of April last I received a communication from *P. H. Huard, Secretary* of this Lodge, notifying me that *Charles Frederic Heunisch, its W. M.*, had resigned. I immediately replied to this communication (under instruction of Deputy Grand Master Samuel M. Todd), and directed the attention of that Lodge to the decision of the Grand Lodge on the subject of Masters of Lodges resigning, as given in the case of Hiram Lodge, No. 70, on the 13th February, 1856. On the 15th of April, 1858, I received a reply from the Secretary, Bro. Huard, giving a Preamble and set of Resolutions dissenting from the opinions expressed in the ruling of this Grand Lodge; and on the 13th of May, 1858, I received an official notice from *C. F. Heunisch, Secretary*, informing me that the Lodge held an election on April 21st, 1858, and elected *P. H. Huard, Worshipful Master*.

These papers are on file, and subject to such Committee as you may determine.

There are other matters in regard to this Lodge, which have been transmitted to our Grand Master, who will report to you thereon.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE, No. 4.—This Lodge withdrew from our jurisdiction on the 22d January, 1858, and withheld her Charter. During your last Annual Communication, I was instructed to obtain it, but failed to find the W. M. Soon after your adjournment, I addressed a communication to the W. M., requesting him to inform me of the intentions of his Lodge, in regard to the Charter, and in reply I received,

some two months afterwards, an official copy of a Resolution, passed by the Lodge, and her Charter.

Immediately prior to the adjournment of your last Annual Communication, her affairs were exclusively confided to the Grand Master, who will report to you thereon more fully.

I have on file, applications for Certificates of good standing, from some of her members, which will also demand your special attention, as I have no authority yet, on what basis they may be issued.

EDNA LODGE, No. 64.—This Lodge, whose Charter was forfeited in 1856, has, through ten of its members, sent up a petition for a renewal of its Charter. Its last Returns were made at the Annual Communication of 1854, for the year 1853. No returns were made for the years 1854 or 1855, and consequently, by the Constitution, its Charter was forfeited at the Annual Communication of 1856. At the time of its forfeiture, it was indebted to the Grand Lodge in the sum of \$20 31.

This petition had enclosed \$25 to cover this balance, and is signed by ten of its members, at the time of forfeiture of Charter, and contains all the information which has been communicated to the Grand Lodge, of its transactions during the years 1854 or 1855, no books or papers having ever been transmitted to my office, for reasons stated in a letter from M. Boatner, its last returned W. M., which was received August 23, 1856, accompanying Charter.

These facts, together with the petition on file, are therefore submitted for your action.

INDEPENDENCE LODGE, U. D.—Immediately after the adjournment of your last Communication, and in accordance with your Resolution of instruction; I forwarded to Bro. William Walker, W. M. of Eastern Star Lodge, No. 151, full authorization to take possession of all the effects, etc., of said Independence Lodge, in trust for the Grand Lodge. Bro. Walker has placed on file in my office, for your action, a report of his acts in the premises, which displays a Masonic zeal and industry truly commendable, and confirms the justness of the action of this Grand Lodge, in regard to some of the members of the late Independence Lodge.

D'ARBONNE LODGE, No. 128.—This Lodge, always prompt and punctual, has made her returns, and paid all her dues to the Grand Lodge up to the present Communication, but I regret to say has

found it necessary to surrender her Charter. She has filed a communication with her Returns, giving as a reason for this act, her sparseness of members, and contiguity to another Lodge. She has also demitted all her members in good standing, except her first three officers, and solicits the Grand Lodge to grant Certificates of good standing to them. The papers are on file for consideration of appropriate Committee.

The following cases of APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES, which were reported on at your last Annual Communication by your Committee, and which required action during your adjournment, have been properly submitted for their respective attention, and I submit the following results for your consideration:

A. LIVINGSTON *vs.* MT. GERIZIM LODGE, No. 54.—This case was remanded to the Lodge for Constitutional proceedings to be had. Nothing has yet been received from the Lodge in regard to it.

ALLEN GREEN *vs.* VIENNA LODGE, No. 106.—This case was remanded to the Lodge for a new trial on account of informalities, which trial was granted, and Bro. A. Green was *Re-Expelled* on the 10th May, 1858.

J. B. WILLIAMS *vs.* LAFAYETTE LODGE, No. 87.—In this case the Lodge was instructed to take the testimony contradictorily with the accused, and transmit it to the Grand Secretary. They report that Bro. Williams appeared in open Lodge, and plead guilty to all the charges, when the Lodge, by ballot, refused to recommend him for reinstatement.

PLEASANT TRAYLOR *vs.* LISBON LODGE, No. 121.—The decision of the Lodge in this case, reversed, and the Lodge ordered to give a new trial. No notice of any new trial has yet reached my office.

E. PERRONCEL *vs.* JOPPA LODGE, No. 74.—In this case the Grand Secretary was instructed to grant a Certificate of good standing to Bro. Perroncel, which was done. Soon after its issuance, Bro. N. E. Wright, last W. M. of Joppa Lodge, No. 74, addressed a complaint against the action of the Grand Lodge, and denies the indebtedness of the Lodge to Perroncel, but contends he owes the Lodge dues to the amount of \$25. This case, therefore, will require the examination of your appropriate Committee.

SPARTA LODGE, No. 108 *vs.* D'ARBONNE LODGE, No 128, *in case of* G.

W. JOHNSON.—The case was submitted for the action of Union Fraternal Lodge, No. 53, to try Bro. G. W. Johnson on all the charges pending against him. On the 21st of May last this latter Lodge, proceeding in accordance with your instruction, gave Bro. Johnson a trial, and recommended to you that he be *expelled*.

The following new cases of Appeals and Grievances will require the attention of your appropriate Committee:

Expulsion and Reinstatement of G. W. BAGGENTS by CASTOR LODGE, No. 109.

Appeal of members of ORLEANS LODGE, No. 78, from her action and decision on trial of Bro. JOHN A. SELLNER.

Recommendation of PEARL RIVER LODGE, No. 125, to reinstate Bro. JOHN E. SMITH, who was expelled by said Lodge in 1857, but who appealed from said sentence, and which was referred back to them for a new trial.

Recommendation of CONCORDE LODGE, No. 3, to reinstate Bro. J. L. DAUNOY, who was expelled some years ago.

LIBERTY LODGE, No. 123 *vs.* M. J. BIRDSOING, its W. M.—Charges for gross unmasonic conduct.

Charges of some members of ORLEANS LODGE, No. 78, against A. P. DOSTIE, W. M.

GRAND LODGE LIBRARY.—By reference to the Catalogue, it will be seen that many valuable additions have been made during the past year to our Library. For some of these I am indebted to several distinguished Brethren outside our jurisdiction, amongst whom I would mention the following:

BRO. N. N. BARRETT, of Collinsville, Conn. From this Brother I have obtained many old and interesting addresses, and proceedings of Masonic Bodies, enabling me to complete my files thereof.

To BRO. A. F. CYCOSKI, of Vicksburg, Miss., I am indebted for many missing years of the Proceedings of the Grand Bodies of that State, together with a number of Masonic Addresses.

From BRO. LEON HYNEMAN, of Philadelphia, I have received numerous lithograph likenesses of distinguished members of our fraternity, some of whom are now dead.

TO BRO. JOS. PEARCE, of Ocean Lodge, No. 144, of this city, I am indebted for his kindness, during a visit to England the past summer, in obtaining, per my order, some valuable publications, among which I would enumerate the "*Acta Latomorum, or Chronologie de L'Histoire de la Franche-Maconnerie*," in 2 vols., and the "*Cours Philosophique et Interpretatif des Initiations, Anciennes et Modernes*," in 1 vol.

THE GRAND LODGE OF OHIO has also transmitted to my office, through Bro. J. D. Caldwell her Grand Secretary, a bound volume of 655 pages, containing her Proceedings from 1808, the time of her formation, to 1847, inclusive. This volume is a truly valuable history of Masonry in that State during that period.\*

THE GRAND SECRETARY OF TEXAS has furnished me with 2 vols., having 640 pages each, containing the Proceedings of that Grand Lodge from its organization in the city of Houston (Republic of Texas), in December, 1837, until the close its Annual Communication, in the City of Palestine (State of Texas), January, 1857—a space of twenty years nearly—giving a history of the "*Origin, Rise, and Progress of the Masonic Order in Texas*." This is a very interesting volume of Masonic History, "compiled from the Original Records and Documents now in possession of the Grand Lodge," and reflects great honor and credit upon Bro. A. S. Ruthven, the present Grand Secretary of that State, who prepared it. These volumes have a peculiar interest to our Grand Lodge, for the first Lodge ever held in Texas was Under Dispensation from the Grand Lodge of Louisiana; was called "*Holland Lodge*," and was opened the first time at Brazoria, on the 27th of December, 1835.

Such publications as these of Ohio and Texas, are, to my mind, the only true histories of Masonry, and if universally adopted, would do much in enlightening the Craft, besides relieve them from the heavy burthen of being taxed by itinerant peddlers of prospectuses to publish Masonic Histories, which oftentimes when published, prove to be little more than the peculiar prejudices, or sectarian dogmas of a "whole life time" of their authors, instead of facts and opinions elucidating and establishing the pure, holy and universal principles of Free Masonry.

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\* Since the above was written I have to acknowledge the receipt of a second volume from Brother Caldwell, containing 680 pages of Proceedings of Ohio, from 1848 to 1857, inclusive.

I have thus spoken of these publications for the purpose of directing your attention to the history of Masonry in our own State. We are in existence as a Grand Body since 1812, a period of forty-seven years, and we having only our Proceedings published for reference since 1850, leaving the other thirty-eight years' transactions in our archives, difficult of access for ready reference. It is true, we have in print many "*Annularies*," published by our predecessors, but they contain nothing save the lists of officers and their particular grade or rank in the Order.

Our records are in good order and perfect since the formation of the Grand Lodge, together with the Proceedings of the Convention which formed it; besides, we have yet living amongst us some who actively participated in its early transactions, whose memories are still vivid, and intellects clear, in regard to incidents of moment pertaining thereto.

Would it not be well, Brethren of the Grand Lodge, ere such men pass to the Grand Lodge above, to have their aid and counsel in such a matter.

MITCHELL'S HISTORY OF FREEMASONRY.—This interesting work, in 2 vols., of 720 pages each, has also been received. I have only read that portion relating to "*Masonry in Louisiana*."

By this you are charged with suppressing some of your proceedings, and thereby not giving the actual transactions of your sessions; and one portion of your constituency is attempted to be arrayed against another.

The first is an attack upon myself, personally, as your Grand Secretary, having control of the publication of your annual proceedings; but it is known to you that by Sec. 3, Art. 3, of Chapter 3, of your Regulations, it is made the duty of your Grand Secretary, "*under the supervision of the Grand Master*, as soon as possible, after the close of your Annual Communication," to have published your proceedings for distribution.

Each year, since I have had the honor to hold the office of Grand Secretary, I have endeavored to perform that duty as directed; and I am sure you can bear testimony to the fact, that all your action, on any subject, is fully portrayed, and all resolutions, reports, etc., adopted by you are given. All extraneous matter is avoided—not only to lessen expense, but to prevent a mystification of your final



acts ; and in no instance has anything been omitted, or "*not printed with the proceedings*," that in any way obscures, but clearly gives, your *actual views and decisions*.

I have directed your attention to this subject, in order that you may take such steps as you may deem best, to rebut the aspersion thus unmeritedly put upon you. It is due alike to your own dignity as to truth.

LOUISIANA RELIEF LODGE, No. 1.—This noble little band of Samaritans has made her Annual Report, showing the Lodges which belong to her, and the Delegates representing them. By this, I am sorry to see that some of our City Lodges are still without its pale. The present Worshipful Master, J. B. Scot, has presented a full report of the doings of the Lodge during the year 1858, to which I would direct your special attention.

MOUNT VERNON FUND ASSOCIATION.—I am pleased to state that one Lodge in our jurisdiction has already commenced the work of aiding in the accomplishment of this noble object. Henderson Lodge, No. 99, has transmitted to me twenty-five dollars, to be sent to the proper authorities; but I have retained it, until some action might be taken by your body, which I might communicate in conjunction with this remittance.

RETURNS OF LODGES.—We have on our Register 101 Chartered Lodges, and four Under Dispensation. Of these, the following made their Returns and paid their dues within the constitutional period; that is, "*One week prior to the Annual Communication*," namely:

Polar Star.....	No. 1	St. Helena.....	No. 96
Perfect Union.....	" 1	Hermitage .....	" 98
Los Amigos del Orden..	" 5	Franklinton.....	" 101
Humble Cottage.....	" 19	Louisiana .....	" 102
St. Albans.....	" 28	Harrisonburg .....	" 110
Feliciana.....	" 31	Bartholomew.....	" 112
Phoenix .....	" 38	Friendship .....	" 114
Foyer Maçonnique.....	" 44	Acacia .....	" 116
Jackson .....	" 45	Terryville .....	" 118
Germania .....	" 46	Constantine .....	" 119
Jt. James .....	" 47	Lisbon .....	" 121
Minden .....	" 51	Mackey .....	" 122

Olive .....	No. 52	D'Arbonne .....	No. 128
Union Fraternal.....	" 53	Dawson (two years) ..	" 129
Mount Gerizim.....	" 54	Shiloh.....	" 131
De Soto.....	" 55	Warren .....	" 132
Friends of Harmony....	" 58	Jeffersonian.....	" 138
Western Star.....	" 61	Houma .....	" 139
George Washington ....	" 65	Huntington .....	" 141
Dudley .....	" 66	Home .....	" 142
Marion.....	" 68	Ocean.....	" 144
Hiram .....	" 70	Hope .....	" 145
Alpha .....	" 72	Anacoco.....	" 147
Quitman .....	" 76	Red Land.....	" 148
Mount Moriah .....	" 77	Perkins .....	" 150
Orleans .....	" 78	Eastern Star.....	" 151
De Witt Clinton.....	" 80	Saints John.....	" 153
Mount Vernon .....	" 83	Morganza .....	U. D.
Cypress .....	" 89	Rapides .....	U. D.
Thibodaux Benevolent ..	" 90	Livingston .....	U. D.

Lodges which have made their Returns and paid their dues since the expiration of the constitutional period:

Providence .....	No. 50	Liberty .....	No. 123
Lafayette .....	" 56	Pearl River.....	" 125
Franklin .....	" 57	Springhill .....	" 127
Mount Moriah.....	" 59	Solomon .....	" 130
Tunica .....	" 63	Gordy .....	" 133
Sabine .....	" 75	Harry Hill .....	" 134
Oliver .....	" 84	Plains .....	" 135
Napoleon .....	" 94	Athens.....	" 136
Patmos .....	" 97	Cool Spring.....	" 140
Henderson .....	" 99	Downsville .....	" 143
Cloutierville .....	" 103	Silent Brotherhood....	" 146
Trinity .....	" 105	Darlington .....	" 149
Vienna .....	" 106	Cherry Ridge.....	" 155
Urim.....	" 111	Kissatchie .....	" 156
Thomas Jefferson.....	" 113		

Lodges which have neither made their Returns, nor paid dues, up to date:

St. Joseph.....	No. 79	Milford .....	No. 117
Lafayette .....	" 87	Deerfield .....	" 120
Many .....	" 88	Kellertown .....	" 124
Monticello.....	" 92	Arcadia .....	" 126
Sparta .....	" 108	Homer .....	" 152
Castor .....	" 109	Fillmore .....	" 154
Shreveport .....	" 115	Grosse Tête .....	U. D.

Having now submitted, Brethren of the Grand Lodge—in as brief a manner as possible—the transactions of my office during the past year, I take this opportunity of tendering to the various officers of Lodges throughout our jurisdiction, my sincere thanks for the prompt and faithful manner in which the official notices emanating from my office have been treated and attended to; and particularly for the decidedly marked improvement in the making out of the Returns by the various Secretaries.

Accompanying, I transmit a balance sheet of the books and accounts, for the investigation of your appropriate Committee.

Hoping the deliberations of your present Communication may be conducted with calm and deliberate Wisdom, ensuring Peace and Harmony, and redounding to the glory of our time-honored institution,

I am, Fraternally, etc.,

SAMUEL G. RISK, *Grand Secretary.*

Immediately after the reading of the above report, Bro. FELLOWS submitted the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the portion of the report of the Grand Secretary relative to Chartered Lodges, be referred to the Committee on Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges; the portion relative to Lodges, U. D., to the Committee on Lodges, U. D.; that relative to the finances,

to the Committee on Audit and Accounts, and that portion referring to complaints, appeals, grievances, etc., be referred to the Committee on Appeals and Grievances.

BRO. A. S. WASHBURN offered a resolution appropriating \$25 each night for refreshments, which was declared adopted; but immediately a motion to reconsider was made and carried, and the resolution being again put, was lost.

BRO. B. DA SILVA offered a resolution to adopt the five minute rule during the sessions of this Communication, which was, on motion, laid on the table.

The following report from Bro. J. B. SCOT, W. M. of *Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1*, was then read, and on motion, received, and ordered to be printed with the Proceedings:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

At the close of another Masonic year, and with the prospect that the M. W. Grand Lodge will soon be relieved from its pecuniary embarrassments, it has been deemed prudent to present a *resumé* of the causes which led to, and the results which have followed, the establishment of Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1.

For several years previous to 1851, the Lodges in the city of New Orleans were nightly besieged by applicants for relief, whose representations were generally of the strongest character and of the most affecting nature—appealing to the Brethren, both as men and Masons, and requiring prompt and energetic action. These appeals were cheerfully responded to. The system pursued had been systematized to such a degree, that a long time elapsed before it was discovered that the greater portion of the charity dispensed was bestowed upon unworthy objects. The course these mendicants pursued was one well calculated not only to impose upon the generous and kind-hearted, but also to avoid the chance of detection—appealing to one Lodge this week, another the next week, a third the succeeding one, and so on, until all the Lodges in the city had been visited, and a considerable amount received from each.

This state of things continued until it had increased to such a magnitude, that it began to attract the serious attention of the Craft, and to remedy the evil Bro. William H. Hutchings, P. M. of Alpha Lodge, No. 72, conceived the idea of forming a General Relief Committee, and, on the 28th of July, 1851, a communication, signed by him, and John McKee, W. M. of Alpha Lodge, No. 72, was addressed to all the Lodges in the cities of New Orleans and Lafayette, requesting them to join "in the formation of a General Relief Committee, to be composed of all present Masters of Lodges, and their successors in office, for all time to come, who will be governed by rules and regulations to be adopted by themselves, and will have power (the Lodges concurring), to levy a uniform tax on the Lodges in the city, and to whom all applications for relief will be referred, thereby doing away with the present defective system."

In accordance with this call a meeting was held, at which the following Lodges were represented :

J. H. Holland.....	Friends of Harmony, No. 58.
T. R. Brady.....	George Washington, No. 65.
Edward Barnett.....	Orleans, No. 78.
John McKee.....	Alpha, No. 72.
James Clark.....	Louisiana, No. 102.
Joseph Santini.....	Foyer Maçonnique, No. 44.
James Farraly.....	Hiram, No. 70.

The meeting was organized by calling Bro. J. H. Holland to the Chair, and appointing Bro. Edw. Barnett, Secretary. At this meeting a committee was appointed to draft a Constitution and Rules for the future government of the Board of Relief, and which, at a subsequent meeting, reported accordingly. These rules and regulations were adopted and signed by

John Gedge, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana.

J. H. Holland.....	Friends of Harmony, No. 58.
T. R. Brady.....	George Washington, No. 65.
William H. Hutchings.....	Alpha, No. 72.
E. Abell.....	Foyer Maçonnique, No. 44.
Edward Barnett.....	Orleans, No. 78.
John McKee.....	Alpha, No. 72.
James Clark.....	Louisiana, No. 102.

At the meeting of December 4, 1851, the following Lodges were represented :

Orleans, No. 78.....Edward Barnett, W. M.

Friends of Harmony, No. 58...J. H. Holland, W. M.

Mount Moriah, No. 59.....S. Herriman, W. M.

Alpha, No. 72.....John McKee, W. M.

George Washington, No. 65...T. R. Brady, S. W.

At this meeting, it was determined to give a ball for the benefit of the General Relief Fund, under the patronage of the M. W. Grand Lodge, which took place on the 16th of January, 1852, and realized, after paying all expenses, \$534 05. This sum, with \$400 which was donated to the Board of Relief, by the Grand Lodge, at its Annual Communication, at the meeting of January 27, of the same year, enabled the Board to go into immediate active operation.

At a meeting, held at the room of Bro. C. M. Emerson, of Mount Moriah, No. 59, on the 18th January, 1852, Bro. J. H. Holland in the Chair, the Board of Relief proceeded to an election of officers for the ensuing Masonic term, and C. M. Emerson was elected Chairman, L. A. Gunst, Treasurer, and John McKee, Secretary.

At the meeting of the 26th of the same month, Bro. Emerson submitted a code of by-laws which was adopted, and by which the term of office was limited to six months.

This was the formation of the present system of relief in the city of New Orleans. Foyer Maçonnique Lodge, No. 44, however, did not long remain represented in the Board; but, notwithstanding this defection, the Board of Relief proceeded in its labor of love, dispensing its charities to distressed worthy Brother Masons, their widows and orphans, and *detecting cases of fraud and imposture*. In the meantime, some of the other Lodges, harassed by the nightly appeals to their charity, satisfied that their system of relief was imperfect, and that they were, in many instances, bestowing their funds upon cases which had been rejected as unworthy by the Board of Relief, applied for admission, and have since continued contributing members of the Relief Lodge. Thus, on the 2d of February, 1852, Perfect Union Lodge, No. 1, joined the Board—the W. M., A. Schreiber, being the representative.

At a meeting of April 26, 1853, Marion Lodge, No. 68, joined the Board, and was represented by Bro. J. Blount Robertson; Quitman

Lodge, No. 76, was represented at the meeting of July 31, 1853, by Bro. T. W. Barrett, and Dudley Lodge, No. 66, by Bro. W. P. Coleman, at the meeting of October 9 of the same year.

During the years 1851 and 1852, the benefits arising from this organization were made fully apparent, but during the fatal epidemic of 1853 its usefulness became so manifest as to call forth encomiums from abroad. During the summer months many of the members of the city Lodges are absent from their homes, and the necessity of such an organization was exemplified in the severe pestilence which desolated New Orleans in the summer of 1853. Many Brethren, whom business or necessity had thrown among us, were indebted to the Board of Relief for supplying their wants, nursing them in sickness, and bestowing, after kindness and science had failed to save them, the last sad tribute of respect due to all worthy Masons. To enable the Board to discharge this noble work, an appeal was made to our sister Lodges throughout the Union, which was promptly responded to, and contributions flowed in from all quarters. Many of the letters accompanying these donations breathe the true spirit of Masonic charity, and they are all carefully preserved in the archives of this Lodge.

Bro. C. M. Emerson discharged the duties of Chairman during the year 1852; and at the election of December 31 of that year, Bro. Walter Nicol, of Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 59, was elected in his stead, and presided over the Board during 1853.

On the 4th of December, 1853, a resolution was passed authorizing the loan of \$6000 to the Directors of the Grand Lodge Hall, to enable them to meet the payment of notes maturing in the ensuing March.

At the meeting of January 8, 1854, Bro. W. P. Coleman, of Dudley Lodge, No. 66, was elected Chairman.

During the annual Communication of 1854, at the meeting of January 23, P. M. John Gedge introduced a resolution, which was passed by the Grand Lodge, authorizing a charter to be issued to the Board, under the name and style of "Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1," for the purpose of giving it an official character and the advantages of a corporate body; and, on the 9th of July, 1854, Bro. H. R. Swasey, of George Washington Lodge, No. 65, was elected, and on the 16th of the same month was installed W. M. of the new Lodge.

On the 1st October, 1854, on motion of Bro. Walter Nicol, a com-

mittee was appointed to purchase a lot or lots of ground for a burial place for the use of this lodge, which resulted in the purchase of 18 lots in the Greenwood Cemetery, on the Metairie Ridge.

At the meeting of November 5, 1854, Orleans Lodge, No. 78 notified the Relief Lodge that they had withdrawn from our organization. On the 1st of January, 1856, this lodge renewed its contributions to the Relief Lodge, and on the 1st of October, 1857, again withdrew, and has ever since remained aloof from our organization.

At the election held December, 1854, Bro. Swasey, declining to serve any longer, Bro. J. Q. A. Fellows was elected W. M., and served three full years. During his administration the "work" of the lodge was reduced to a more perfect system; a tomb was erected in Greenwood Cemetery, on the ground purchased for that purpose, at a total expense of \$3,362 50, including \$360, the price paid for the lots; and Home Lodge, No. 142, and Ocean Lodge, No. 144, joined the Relief Lodge.

At the election in December, 1857, Bro. Fellows declined to act any longer as W. M., and Bro. J. C. Batchelor, of Home Lodge, No. 142, was elected in his stead. Some two months afterwards sickness compelled him to leave the city, and the duties of the office were performed by Bro. J. M. Bockius, of Alpha Lodge, No. 72, the Senior Warden of the Relief Lodge. At the election in June, 1858, Bro. Bockius was elected W. M.; but business called him from the city immediately afterwards, and the duties were discharged, during the balance of the term, by the present W. M.

Such is the history of Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1. The principles on which it was founded still govern its action. The great end at which we aim is to guard as much as possible against imposture; "to furnish relief to a sick brother; to bury the dead; to relieve those widows and orphans among us whose antecedents we know;" and when this is done, if any thing remains in our treasury, to loan it to those sojourning among us, "to enable them to return to their homes, and, judging from past experience, with little or no expectation of having it refunded." For notwithstanding the promises made to write and return the money loaned, as soon as the applicants would reach their homes, during the past year only one brother has refunded the amount granted, and another has written to the Lodge thanking them for their kindness.

It has been repeatedly stated to this Grand Lodge that we are com-



pelled to be cautious in granting relief to strangers, whom business or accident has thrown among us, for it has unfortunately been found that many of such cases "are impostors and totally unworthy the regard of all good men." At the suggestion of Bro. J. C. Batchelor, a register has been kept, in which the names of all applicants for relief are entered, whence they hail, full particulars of each case recorded, and the amount of relief, if any, granted. From this it appears that many worthy brethren have been relieved by this lodge, and it is a matter of deep regret that our resources are not more adequate to relieve the worthy, and that some more effective system could not be framed to detect those who attempt to practice imposition upon us. Your attention has been again and again called to the fact, that, as a general rule, imposters hail from those jurisdictions whose Grand Lodges do not publish a list of their members; but, so far, these Grand Lodges have paid little or no attention to our request, and giving the applicants from these jurisdictions the benefit of the doubt, many cases have been relieved which have subsequently proved to be totally unworthy.

In the absence of these returns, we have been obliged to consult the experience of those who have preceded us, and rely upon a system of carefully examining each applicant for relief, using at the same time as much considerate and kind attention as possible. This system has been attended with very beneficial results, but at the expense of much valuable time, and occasionally wounding the feelings of the worthy, by the implied distrust thus exhibited of the truth of their statements. But until the Grand Lodges publish full lists of their members, we know of no more effective method of protecting ourselves from being imposed upon by the unworthy.

During the past summer another epidemic visited our city, and spread desolation in our midst. Many and urgent were the calls upon the Relief Lodge, both by day and by night, and they were all promptly attended to. At one time it was feared that we would have to solicit assistance from abroad; but, fortunately, we were enabled to meet the emergency without having recourse to such an expedient. At this time an application was made to the M. W. Grand Master, through the Grand Secretary, for an advance of \$500 from the money loaned by this Lodge to the Grand Lodge. This request was promptly complied with, and a note for that amount was forwarded, to be negotiated if required; but we were enabled to pass through the epidemic without making use of it.

The following is a statement prepared by Bro. Alfred Shaw, our Secretary, showing in detail the financial receipts and disbursements of the Relief Lodge during the past year.

## RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand 1st January, 1858, . . . . .	\$578 45
Received from Friends of Harmony, No. 58, . . . . .	167 75
“ Mount Moriah, No. 59, . . . . .	626 25
“ George Washington, No. 65, . . . . .	361 00
“ Dudley, No. 66, . . . . .	94 00
“ Marion, No. 68, . . . . .	133 00
“ Hiram, No. 70, . . . . .	73 80
“ Alpha, No. 72, . . . . .	82 50
“ Quitman, No. 76, . . . . .	219 75
“ Louisiana, No. 102, . . . . .	150 00
“ Home, No. 142 . . . . .	56 25
“ Ocean, No. 144, . . . . .	97 00
Donation from Acacia, No. 116, . . . . .	25 00
“ Kellertown, No. 124, . . . . .	50 00
“ Orleans Chapter, No. 1, . . . . .	25 00
“ Grand Lodge of California, . . . . .	75 00
“ Grand Lodge of Kentucky, . . . . .	31 00
“ Norfolk, Va., through Mayor Stith, . . . . .	100 00
“ J. J. Daniel, . . . . .	5 00
“ George Washington, No. 9, St. Louis, . . . . .	50 00
Returned by an Illinois Brother, . . . . .	15 00
Use of vault by Quitman Lodge, . . . . .	17 00
For vaults sold, . . . . .	160 00
Total receipts by the Secretary, . . . . .	\$3,192 75

## Without going into the hands of the Secretary or Treasurer:

From Friends of Harmony, No. 58, . . . . .	70 00
From Hiram, No. 70, . . . . .	18 20
From Home, No. 142, . . . . .	35 00
From Ocean, No. 144, . . . . .	70 00
For vault sold to Orleans, No. 78, . . . . .	70 00
For vaults sold by undertaker, . . . . .	300 00
Contributions through J. B. Scot, . . . . .	61 25
“ “ J. T. Watts, . . . . .	34 00

Total receipts for the year 1858, . . . . . \$3,851 20

## DISBURSEMENTS.

To applicants from Alabama,	\$15 00
"    "    Arkansas,	71 00
"    "    California.	30 00
"    "    District of Columbia.	25 00
"    "    Georgia,	100 00
"    "    Illinois,	34 70
"    "    Iowa,	5 00
"    "    Kentucky,	25 00
"    "    Maine,	6 00
"    "    Massachusetts,	40 00
"    "    Michigan,	50 00
"    "    Mississippi,	266 50
"    "    Missouri,	57 00
"    "    New Jersey,	7 00
"    "    New York,	87 00
"    "    North Carolina,	45 00
"    "    Ohio,	197 25
"    "    Pennsylvania,	130 00
"    "    South Carolina,	101 00
"    "    Texas,	263 00
"    "    Virginia,	30 00
"    "    Wisconsin	35 00
"    "    Jurisdiction unknown,	30 00
"    "    Canada East,	20 00
"    "    Canada West,	39 50
"    "    England,	20 00
"    "    Scotland,	56 00
"    "    Ireland,	18 00
"    "    France,	40 45
Masons of Louisiana,	92 00
Widows and Orphans of Louisiana,	551 75
Funeral and Tomb Expenses,	235 50
Incidental Expenses,	108 85
To Walter Nicol, old balance due him as Treasurer,	12 23
Total payments through the Treasurer,	\$2,844 73
Disbursed outside of the Treasury :	
To Master Masons,	\$ 38 20
"    Widows and Orphans,	215 25
"    Applicants unreported,	105 00
"    Funeral Expenses,	300 00— 658 45
Total disbursements for the year 1858,	\$3,503 18
Cash in hands of Secretary,	222 22
"    "    the Treasury,	125 80— 348 02
	<u>\$3,851 20</u>

## RECAPITULATION OF DISBURSEMENTS.

To Masons of Louisiana, . . . . .	\$ 92 00	
" " of other Jurisdictions, . . . . .	1,293 75—	1,385 75
" Widows and Orphans of Louisiana, . . . . .	551 75	
" " " of other Jurisdictions, . . . . .	804 10—	1,355 85
To applicants, in the early part of the year, particulars not reported, . . . . .		105 00
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Total direct relief granted, . . . . .	\$2,846 60	
Funerals and tomb expenses, . . . . .		535 50
Lodge expenses, . . . . .		108 85
Old balance due Bro. Walter Nicol, . . . . .		12 23
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Total disbursements of 1858, . . . . .	\$3,503 18	
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From this statement it appears that the total expenditures of the Lodge amounted to \$3503 18 ; that the relief granted (including funeral expenses) amounts to \$3382 10, no portion of which has been given to the members or families of members of the contributing Lodges, as they bestow their charity on their own members, widows and orphans, independently of their connection with the Relief Lodge.

But this sum conveys a very inadequate idea of the "work" done by this Lodge. The assistance rendered and the relief afforded cannot be computed by dollars and cents. During the epidemic, the time and attention bestowed upon the sick by this Lodge was very great, and these services were all rendered gratuitously. No charge appears for the vaults in which our deceased brethren were buried, as they belong to the Relief Lodge ; and to many members of the medical profession we are under obligations for services rendered, either gratuitously or at a merely nominal consideration.

Every fall, but more particularly after an epidemic, New Orleans is considered in many portions of the Union as an El Dorado, to which the young and adventurous rush, with high hopes of finding employment, retrieving ruined fortunes, and accumulating wealth. Many arrive with scarcely any means of support, others in distress, and all expecting to find situations immediately on their arrival ; but instead, they find almost every avenue to employment filled—or, if fortunate enough to obtain a situation, it is at a compensation barely sufficient for their support. Disappointment, suffering and distress is the inevitable result. Among the sufferers there are always a large number of

Masons, who almost invariably apply to this Lodge for relief. In some cases situations are procured, but the majority are either sent home or forwarded on their journey; and to many captains of vessels and steamboats, and to the agents of railroad lines, this Lodge is under obligations for passages given either gratuitously or at reduced rates.

Besides all this, during the year cases frequently occur which our funds are unable to meet; but being endorsed as worthy by this Lodge, they are relieved by private subscriptions from the members of the contributing Lodges and R. A. Chapters. The amounts thus bestowed do not appear in our expenditures, nor is there any way of arriving at the true amount.

We have no desire to parade our charities before the world, but deem it our duty not only to the brethren in other jurisdictions, but also to those at home, to be thus explicit in showing what the "work" of this Lodge is, and the principles upon which it is conducted.

The "work" of Louisiana Relief Lodge has elicited the warmest approbation from abroad, and in the cities of San Francisco, New York, Buffalo and St. Louis, our example has been thought worthy of imitation, and associations similar to our own have been formed, and as far as we know have been attended with the same beneficial results.

The Grand Lodges of California, Kentucky, Texas, Rhode Island and Iowa, have shown their estimation of our labors, since our last report, by donating to us the amounts which we granted to members hailing from their jurisdictions. The donations of the first two have been received, but those of the others have not yet come to hand.\*

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\* Since the close of the Grand Lodge, the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Ohio, for 1858, have been received, and we perceive the following action has been had in regard to Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1, for which we return our heartfelt thanks:

"*Resolved*, That the systematic and well-devised plans adopted by the Brethren of Relief Lodge, No. 1, of New Orleans, and the Masonic Board of Relief, of San Francisco, in performing their "deeds of charity and pure beneficence," are eminently deserving the sympathy and cordial coöperation, not only of the Grand Lodge, but of the whole fraternity.

"*Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge of Ohio, in grateful appreciation of the kindness and assistance bestowed upon sick and destitute Brethren of this jurisdiction, by the Relief Lodge, No. 1, of New Orleans, and as a small token of sympathy in its aims and purposes, hereby appropriate and direct to be transmitted to the presiding officer of that body, for the use of such charity, the sum of two hundred dollars.

"*Resolved*, That, in furtherance of the wishes and requests of both these Masonic charities, the Grand Secretary be directed to make out and forward annually, immediately after the close of the Grand Lodge, lists of the names of all the members of the Subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction.

"*Resolved*, That the Secretaries of each of the Associations be requested to forward to the Grand Secretary the names of all Masons hailing from this jurisdiction, to whom relief may be rendered, together with the names of the Lodges of which they claim to be members, the date of the aid rendered, and the amount granted; and that in all cases the Lodge to which the relieved Brother belongs shall be notified of the fact by the Grand Secretary, and be held responsible to the charity for the amount so bestowed."

George Washington Lodge, No. 9, of St. Louis, promptly remitted to us \$50, the expense incurred by the funeral of one of their members during the epidemic; and Palestine Lodge, No. 204, New York, has promised to do the same. Other Lodges, whose members fell victims to the epidemic during the past summer, have written to us, returning their thanks for the kindness and attention bestowed upon their members.

Kellertown Lodge, No. 124, increased their donation this season to \$50, and Acacia Lodge, No. 116, sent us \$25. Both of these Lodges are under the jurisdiction of our own Grand Lodge, but located in our country parishes. In returning thanks for their kindness, we hope that the noble example they have shown will have the effect to stimulate other Lodges in our State to do likewise, and by augmenting our resources, enable us to increase the sphere of our charity.

Mayor Stith, out of moneys forwarded to him from Norfolk, Va., during the epidemic, for the purpose of relieving the sick and destitute, gave \$100 to the funds of the Relief Lodge. This money came very opportunely, and assisted us materially in our labors.

The Relief Lodge is supported by an assessment of 25 cents per month upon each member of the contributing Lodges. Of the nineteen Lodges in the city of New Orleans, only twelve are represented in the Relief Lodge. It has become so universally known and appreciated, that to it those in distress almost invariably apply, and thus the non-contributing Lodges, as a general rule, are not called upon to relieve the wants of their transient brethren. And we regret to state, that in repeated instances, many of their members refer applicants for charity to the Relief Lodge whenever they appeal to them for assistance.

New Orleans is a centre to which men flock, not only from every quarter of the Union, but also from every country of Europe. During the business months, many are unable to procure employment, and the summer is always more or less sickly to the unacclimated, even when we escape the ravages of an epidemic. The contributing Lodges have suffered severely during the past summer from sickness and death among their own members; their exchequers are empty, and the expense of supporting the Relief Lodge falls heavily upon them. A few of them are in arrears for dues, and which, at present, they are unable to pay. Our Tomb requires extensive repairs, and

an additional wing ought to be built before the ensuing summer, in order that we may be prepared for any emergency which may arise. It is therefore a matter of sincere congratulation that there is a prospect that this Grand Lodge will speedily be relieved from its pressing pecuniary embarrassments, and be thereby enabled to assist us in carrying on the work in which we are engaged, or adopt whatever measures its wisdom may suggest as most conducive to the same end; for so long as society remains constituted as at present, there will be distress and misfortune to relieve, misery and sorrow to alleviate and assuage, and the widow and orphan to protect and assist.

Fraternally and respectfully submitted on behalf of Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1.

JAMES B. SCOT, W. M.

On motion of Bro. B. DA SILVA, a Special Committee, composed of Bros. S. M. Todd, H. M. Crenshaw and E. D. Craig were appointed to wait on the proprietors of the Amphitheatre, opposite our Hall, and solicit them to refrain as much as possible from playing their band of music outside of their building during our sessions.

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge was then called off until to-morrow (Tuesday) evening, at half-past 6 o'clock.

[Signed]

AMOS ADAMS, Grand Master.

S. O. SCRUGGS, Senior Grand Warden.

A. J. NORWOOD, Junior Grand Warden.

SAMUEL G. RISK, Grand Secretary.

GRAND LODGE HALL,  
NEW ORLEANS, Tuesday, Feb. 15, 1859. }

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana was called to labor this evening, at half-past six o'clock, the following

OFFICERS PRESENT:

AMOS ADAMS.....	M. W. Grand Master.
S. M. TODD.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
S. O. SCRUGGS.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
A. J. NORWOOD .....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
J. GUICE.....	W. Grand Treasurer, <i>pro tem.</i>
SAMUEL G. RISK.....	W. Grand Secretary.
Rev. C. S. HEDGES.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
L. PIDERIT.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon, <i>pro tem.</i>
S. P. SOLOMON.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
W. C. DRIVER.....	W. Grand Marshal.
JOHN W. PEARCE.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer, <i>pro tem.</i>
T. W. PEYTON.....	W. Grand Pursuivant,     "
L. R. CURTIS.....	} W. Grand Stewards.
BRUNO DE LUCAS.....	
JOS. CHELLET.....	W. Grand Tyler.

The minutes of the session of the 14th instant were then read and approved.

The following Report from the Committee on Credentials was then read and adopted :



*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge, viz :

ST. JOSEPH.....	No. 79—	S. V. Stampley, W. M. Julius Aroni, S. W. V. W. Stampley, J. W.
THOMAS JEFFERSON, No. 113—	W. L. Spears, W. M. J. R. Goyne, S. W. W. G. Callaway, J. W.	
SHREVEPORT.....	No. 115—	J. W. Jones, W. M. J. G. McWilliams, S. W. H. Hunsucker, J. W.
DEERFIELD.....	No. 120—	G. W. Trezevant, W. M. J. H. Calloway, S. W. W. T. Daggent, J. W.
KELLERTOWN.....	No. 124—	A. J. Norwood, W. M. Z. Freeman, S. W. (S. J. Norwood, proxy.) C. S. Palmer, J. W. (C. Gore, proxy.)
GORDY.....	No. 133—	J. W. Pearce, W. M. L. A. Stafford, S. W. V. Gould, J. W.
COOL SPRING....	No. 140—	J. E. Burch, W. M. R. H. Cleveland, S. W. J. F. Nelson, J. W.
DARLINGTON.....	No. 149—	Samuel Davis, W. M. M. H. McGraine, S. W. M. M. Collins, J. W.
LIVINGSTON.....	U. D.—	J. M. Mahoney, Delegate.
L. G. Perkins.....	proxy for	S. W. of Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 77
A. Landsberg.....	" "	Minden Lodge..... " 51
W. Rossman.....	" "	W. M. of Huntington Lodge.. " 141
S. I. Guillet.....	" "	W. M. of Anacoco Lodge.... " 147
J. A. Soellner.....	" "	W. M. of Ocean Lodge..... " 144

Respectfully submitted,

L. R. CURTIS, }  
R. B. LAWRENCE, } *Committee.*

The Roll of Lodges being called, the following were represented :

Nos. P. U. 1, P. S. 1, 19, 28, 31, 44, 45, 46, 50, 52, 54, 57, 58, 59, 61, 63, 65, 66, 68, 70, 75, 76, 77, 78, 90, 94, 96, 98, 101, 102, 103, 106, 112, 115, 119, 121, 124, 125, 129, 133, 134, 135, 139, 142, 144, 145, 148, 149, 151, 152, 153—Total, 51 Lodges.

The Grand Secretary submitted the following Report, which was adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

BRETHREN : I have to report to you that the following Lodges, which had previously made their returns, have this day paid their dues, namely :

St. Helena.....No. 96	Cool Spring.....No. 140
Thomas Jefferson..... " 113	Darlington..... " 149

And the following Lodges have made returns and paid dues to-day, namely :

St. Joseph.....No. 79	Deerfield.....No. 120
Shreveport..... " 115	Kellertown..... " 124

Grosse Tête, U. D.

I have also received a Resolution from Milford Lodge, No. 117, recommending the reinstatement of Bro. D. H. Miller, who was expelled by that Lodge in 1855, which is in the hands of the appropriate committee.

Fraternally yours,

SAM'L G. RISK,

*Grand Secretary.*

NEW ORLEANS, February 15, 1859.

BRO. J. Q. A. FELLOWS, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, submitted a printed Report of 105 pages from that Committee, together with eight Resolutions,

the consideration of which was on motion postponed until to-morrow evening. (See Appendix, pages 1 to 105.)

BRO. J. C. BATCHELOR, from the Special Committee to whom was referred the Grand Master's Address, read the following Report, which was, on motion, adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Louisiana :*

The Special Committee to whom was referred the Address of the M. W. Grand Master, beg leave to report, that they have carefully examined the same, and would respectfully suggest the various portions of the said Address to be distributed to the following committees:

All that portion appertaining to raising the standard of qualifications of candidates, and physical disabilities of the same, and of the rights of non-affiliated Masons, to be referred to a special committee of five W. Masters of Lodges.

All that portion referring to dispensations to Jefferson Lodge, No. 138, be referred to the Committee on Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges.

All that portion referring to members of Lodges that have forfeited their Charters, and the manner in which they shall receive their demits ; and all such as refers to charlatanism in publishing cards and advertisements ; and all such as refers to Concorde Lodge, No. 3 ; and all such portion as refers to the complaint of Bro. H. C. Merrifield against Bro. A. P. Dostie, W. M. of Orleans Lodge, No. 78 ; and all such portion as refers to the petition of the members of St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 5, be referred to the Committee on Appeals and Grievances.

All such portion as refers to the Grand Lodge Hall be referred to the Board of Directors of Grand Lodge Hall.

All such portion referring to the communication of the Mount Vernon Fund Association be referred to a special committee of three.

All such portion as refers to the History of Masonry in this State be referred to a special committee of three.

All such portion referring to a Universal Masonic Congress be referred to a committee of three.

All such portion referring to testimonials to M. W. P. Grand Mas-

ter Wm. M. Perkins, be referred to a special committee, to appoint a time for presenting the same.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. C. BATCHELOR,  
L. R. CURTIS.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced the following committees as called for by the above Report, namely :

**Physical Qualifications of Candidates.**

A. S. WASHBURN, G. W. MUNDAY. S. P. SOLOMON.  
J. C. GORDY, J. C. BATCHELOR.

**Mount Vernon Fund Association.**

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, EDW. BARNETT, S. F. MARKS.

**History of Masonry in this State.**

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, EDW. BARNETT, S. F. MARKS.

**Universal Masonic Congress.**

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, EDW. BARNETT, S. F. MARKS.

**Testimonial to Past Grand Master Perkins.**

H. R. SWASEY, S. M. TODD, A. J. NORWOOD.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances, submitted the following Reports, which, being read separately, were, together with the resolutions appended to each, adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have had in consideration the Report of Union Fraternal Lodge, in the case of Geo. W. Johnson, referred to said Lodge for a new trial.

We find the proceedings of the said Lodge in regular form, and recommend that the action of Union Fraternal Lodge in said case be adopted and approved.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,	}	<i>Committee.</i>
JAMES B. SCOT,		
JOSEPH SANTINI,		
H. REGENBURG,		
J. C. GORDY.		

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have had in consideration an application from Pearl River Lodge, No. 125, recommending that J. E. Smith, who was indefinitely suspended by said Lodge, be reinstated.

Also a recommendation from Castor Lodge, No. 109, to reinstate G. W. Baggens, who was expelled by said Lodge, May 3, 1853.

The Secretaries of both these Lodges have neglected to affix their seals to their certificates; but they are otherwise in proper form, and there are no reasons known to your committee why the prayer should not be granted.

We would, therefore, respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That J. E. Smith and G. W. Baggens be, and they are hereby reinstated to all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
JAMES B. SCOT,  
JOSEPH SANTINI,  
JOHN C. GORDY,  
H. REGENBURG.

} *Committee.*

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have before them a statement from Bro. N. E. Wright, late W. M. of Joppa Lodge, No. 74, which Lodge surrendered her charter in the year 1857, in regard to the case of E. Perroncel, who was suspended for non-payment of dues by the said Lodge, before the Charter was surrendered, and who at the last Grand Communication of this Grand Lodge, on his petition, and after a careful examination of the Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances, and on recommendation of the said Committee, was reinstated by a resolution of the Grand Lodge.

The facts connected with this case are, as far as they have come to the knowledge of your Committee, as follows:

At the last Grand Communication, Bro. E. Perroncel filed in the Grand Secretary's office his petition, setting forth that in the year 1856, he, then a member of Joppa Lodge, No. 74, was suspended for non-payment of dues, without having received any notice of any

proceedings in the case. He also sets forth that the Lodge, at the time these proceedings were had, was indebted to him.

The Committee on General Purposes, Appeals and Grievances, appointed at the last Annual Grand Communication, found, on examination of the case, that the documents that were filed with the petition of E. Perroncel were very strong *prima facie* evidence, showing that Joppa Lodge was, at the time of suspending E. Perroncel, indebted to him in the sum of seventeen dollars and fifty cents, and that there were no data before the Committee by which the amount of his dues to the Lodge could be ascertained.

A brother who had been a member of Joppa Lodge also made a statement of facts within his knowledge that corroborated the allegation of Perroncel in his petition.

The books and records of Joppa Lodge were said to have been sent to the Grand Secretary by the steamboat Col. Edwards, which was burnt on its way to New Orleans, and thus destroyed.

In view of the uncertainty of the matter in question, the Committee recommended that E. Perroncel be reinstated, and the following resolution was adopted by the Grand Lodge :

“ Resolved, That E. Perroncel, who was suspended by the late Joppa Lodge, No. 74, be reinstated to all the rights and privileges of Masonry, and that the Grand Secretary be authorized to give him a certificate of good standing.”

There is nothing in the statement of Bro. Wright that your Committee could constitutionally act on. If Perroncel has been guilty of making fraudulent representations to the Grand Lodge, he is responsible for such unmasonic conduct to the nearest Lodge, if unaffiliated, or to his Lodge, if he has affiliated, and the brother should bring charges against him, in accordance with the Constitution and Laws of the Grand Lodge.

Your Committee therefore recommend that the complaint of Bro. Wright be dismissed.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
JAMES B. SCOT,  
JOSEPH SANTINI,  
JOHN C. GORDY,  
H. REGENBURG,

Committee.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have had under consideration the appeal of four members of Orleans Lodge, No. 78, from the trial of John A. Scellner, Junior Warden of that Lodge, and resulting in his acquittal.

After a careful examination of all the papers in the case, we can find nothing irregular in the proceedings, and recommend that the appeal be dismissed.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, JAMES B. SCOT, JOSEPH SANTINI, JOHN C. GORDY, H. REGENBURG.	} Committee.
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*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have had under consideration the application of certain members of St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, formerly under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, for the permission to return to their labors, under the Grand Lodge, and to resume their charter, "*promising to remain forever faithful to their obligations.*"

This petition is signed by twenty-three of those who were members of the Lodge, at the time of their withdrawal from the Grand Lodge, none others being permitted to sign, though we understood that four other persons who are said to have received the Masonic Degrees, since that time, under the self-styled Supreme Council, and of course, in a clandestine manner, were also desirous of joining with the petitioners. There are also seven other Master Masons, now absent from the city, who, were they at home, would most cheerfully unite with the other twenty-three in their petition. Seventeen other persons claiming to be members of "the St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, Charitable Association," and who were members of the Lodge when under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge, refuse to return, and adhere to their idols. These constitute the members of the Lodge.

The petitioners, in a memorial accompanying their petition, [for which see Appendix—page 107,] set forth at length the various

causes which led them into the wrong and deeply regretted course which they adopted in withdrawing from the Grand Lodge, and in associating with clandestine-made or expelled Masons. They say, "among these causes there are two which they deem proper to point out at once, viz: first, the false assertions of certain ill-intentioned persons in whom they had unfortunately reposed confidence; second, their total ignorance of the English language, of which the same ill-intentioned persons availed themselves to misinterpret the words spoken by the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, and certain documents emanating from the Grand Lodge." We feel convinced that there is much more in the above than most would be apt to imagine. Of the ignorance of the petitioners of the English language, and the efforts of evil-disposed and wicked persons, to entice them from their sworn allegiance, we are well aware, and recommend the Grand Lodge to give due weight to the above statement.

One thing, however, is apparent, that the petitioners either were woefully ignorant of their "*obligations to support the Constitution, Resolutions and Edicts of the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana,*" and "*not to visit a clandestine Lodge or to hold Masonic communication with a clandestine-made Mason, or with one under sentence of suspension or expulsion,*" which they must have certainly solemnly taken, or they wilfully violated these obligations knowingly. If guilty of the latter alternative, their application ought to be at once dismissed; yet your Committee, from the knowledge of the petitioners, hardly think they have been guilty of violating their word of honor, and as Masons, *knowingly*, and that their error is to be imputed to their own ignorance of the true tenor of their obligations, as above set forth, partly owing, no doubt, to their ignorance of the English language, and to the wicked designs of their teachers.

We have no doubt that hereafter, under the instructions they may now receive, and with the lessons before them, furnished by the experience of the past few years, that they will hereafter pay due regard to the sacred obligations which they will take, and will instruct fully, all they may hereafter admit among them, in the true spirit and nature of the Masonic Order. Prudence is one of the cardinal virtues of the Order, and when its dictates are followed, men bound by certain ties



will be slow to repudiate the obligations to which they have bound themselves.

To guard them and the Order as much as possible from evil influences of bad associates, we must insist not only in this, but in all cases hereafter, that no one made in a clandestine Lodge can be affiliated with our Lodges, but must come in as a profane, or by a special dispensation from the Grand Lodge in each particular case, as it may arise; and although this may work a hardship in perhaps a few instances, yet should any other course be adopted, it would be holding out a reward to the fostering of clandestine Lodges and clandestine Work.

The above, with the accompany resolutions, are

Fraternally submitted,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
JAMES B. SCOT,  
H. REGENBURG,  
JOSEPH SANTINI,  
JOHN C. GORDY.

Committee.

*Resolved*, That the Charter heretofore surrendered by St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, be returned to F. Adam, V. Abadie, P. Bergé, E. Claret, J. Calonjat, P. Cauhapé, F. Comment, H. Dégro, C. Lagrange, J. Lamarre, B. Larcade, P. Lazare, A. Lecompte, E. D. Loubet, C. Marchal, P. Marx, E. Masquère, D. Meunier, T. Michon, F. Sanjouan, J. B. Ternot, N. Tournié, J. Winçon, in all twenty-three; and that J. Dalie, E. Danty, C. Désiré, F. Domere, B. Laborde, G. Lusse, and A. Nepper, upon their return to the city, and taking the obligation of allegiance to the Grand Lodge, be admitted with the others into the Lodge, and that the aforesaid persons do constitute St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, and be entitled to all the privileges of a regular Lodge, and to all the immunities and rights of property which St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5 had at the time of the surrender of her Charter.

*Resolved*, That on the passage of the above resolution, the Charter be returned, and the members therein named be authorized at once to proceed to the election of officers for the ensuing year, and that they be installed forthwith—a deputy of the Grand Master taking charge of the Charter, with directions to administer the obligations of allegiance to the Grand Lodge, and to preside during the election and installation of the officers.

BRO. J. T. WATTS gave notice of an amendment to the

By-Laws, requiring all applicants for the Degrees of Masonry to be at least one year residents within the jurisdiction of the Lodge to which they apply.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until seven o'clock on (to-morrow) Wednesday evening.

[Signed]

AMOS ADAMS, *Grand Master.*

S. O. SCRUGGS, *Senior Grand Warden.*

A. J. NORWOOD, *Junior Grand Warden.*

SAM'L G. RISK, *Grand Secretary.*

GRAND LODGE HALL,  
NEW ORLEANS, Wednesday, Feb. 16, 1859.)

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge met at seven o'clock, P. M., and was called to labor in the Third Degree, the following

OFFICERS PRESENT:

AMOS ADAMS.....	M. W. Grand Master.
S. M. TODD.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
S. O. SCRUGGS.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
A. J. NORWOOD .....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
S. C. MICHELL.....	W. Grand Treasurer.
SAMUEL G. RISK.....	W. Grand Secretary.
Rev. C. S. HEDGES.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
JULIUS ARONI.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
S. P. SOLOMON.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
W. C. DRIVER.....	W. Grand Marshal.
H. REGENBURG.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
L. R. CURTIS.....	} W. Grand Stewards.
B. DA SILVA.....	
BRUNO DE LUCAS.....	
J. C. GORDY.....	W. Grand Steward, <i>pro tem.</i>
JOS. CHELLET.....	W. Grand Tyler.

The Committee on Credentials submitted the following Report, which was read and adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge, viz:

- C. Samory, proxy for J. W. of Polar Star Lodge, No. 1.  
 Alex. Boulet, " J. W. of Foyer Maçonnique Lodge, No. 44.  
 J. G. Mackey, " W. M. of Kissatchie Lodge, No. 156.  
 C. C. Williams, " S. W. of Thibodeaux Benevolent Lodge, No. 90.

MOUNT MORIAH....No. 59—J. T. Watts, W. M.  
 T. Sanford, S. W.  
 N. J. Hackney, J. W.

ST. ANDREW.....No. 5—J. B. Ternot, W. M.  
 P. Cauhapé, S. W.  
 E. Claret, J. W.

Respectfully submitted,

H. REGENBURG,	} Committee.
L. R. CURTIS,	
R. B. LAWRENCE,	

The Committee on Credentials submitted the following additional Report, which was adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee on Credentials beg leave to make the following Report:

Whereas, the late Worshipful Master, Secretary and Treasurer of Concorde Lodge, No. 3, retain in their possession the funds of the Lodge, and have till yet refused to deliver the same to their successors in office, thereby depriving the Lodge for the present, of the means to pay their dues to the Grand Lodge, thus depriving said Lodge of its representation at this Grand Communication, without any fault of the present W. M. and members thereof, your Committee on Credentials would respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

*Resolved,* That Concorde Lodge, No. 3, notwithstanding the failure to pay the

dues to this Grand Lodge, be allowed her representation, and that the said Lodge be represented by L. F. Nicomede, W. M.; H. Gerard, S. W.; and H. De la Roche, J. W.

H. REGENBURG,	} Committee.
R. B. LAWRENCE,	
L. R. CURTIS,	

WM. M. PERKINS, M. W. Past Grand Master, was announced and admitted, being received with appropriate honors.

A roll of Lodges was then called, and the following were represented, viz:

Nos. P. U. 1, P. S. 1, 3, 5, 19, 28, 31, 44, 45, 46, 47, 51, 52, 53, 54, 57, 58, 61, 63, 65, 66, 68, 70, 72, 75, 76, 77, 78, 84, 90, 96, 98, 102, 103, 112, 119, 121, 124, 127, 129, 133, 134, 135, 139, 141, 142, 144, 145, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 156—Total, 54 Chartered Lodges. Livingston, U. D.

The Minutes of the session of the 15th instant, were then read and approved.

The Committee on Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges submitted the following report, which was read and adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

The Committee on Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges, after a careful examination of all the Returns laid before us by the Grand Secretary, respectfully submit the following report:

We find that the following named Lodges have made their returns, and paid their dues in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution, viz:

Polar Star.....	No. 1	Harrisonburg.....	No. 110
Perfect Union.....	1	Bartholomew.....	112
Los Amigos del Orden...	5	Terryville.....	118
Humble Cottage.....	19	Constantine.....	119

St. Albans.....	No. 28	Mackey.....	No. 122
Feliciana.....	31	Liberty.....	123
Foyer Maçonnique.....	44	D'Arbonne.....	128
Jackson.....	45	Warren.....	132
Friends of Harmony....	58	Gordy.....	133
Western Star.....	61	Plains.....	135
George Washington.....	65	Houma.....	139
Dudley.....	66	Home.....	142
Marion.....	68	Ocean.....	144
Quitman.....	76	Hope.....	145
Mt. Moriah.....	77	Red Land.....	148
Orleans.....	78	Perkins.....	150
Mt. Vernon.....	83	Saints John .....	153
Cypress.....	89		

The following Lodges have made their Returns and paid their dues, but not a week prior to the Annual Grand Communication, as required by Art. 1, Sec. 9, of the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge, viz :

Phoenix.....	No. 38	Deerfield.....	No. 120
Providence.....	50	Lisbon.....	121
Union Fraternal.....	53	Kellertown .....	124
Tunica.....	63	Pearl River.....	125
Alpha.....	72	Sprin gHill.....	127
St. Joseph.....	79	Solomon.....	130
Oliver.....	84	Shiloh.....	131
Thibodeaux Benevolent..	90	Harry Hill.....	134
Napoleon.....	94	Cool Spring .....	140
St. Helena.....	96	Huntington.....	141
Hermitage.....	98	Silent Brotherhood.....	146
Henderson.....	99	Anacoco.....	147
Franklinton.....	101	Darlington.....	149
Vienna.....	106	Eastern Star.....	151
Urim.....	111	Homer.....	152
Shreveport.....	115	Cherry Ridge.....	155
Acacia.....	116	Kissatchie.....	156

Some of the above Lodges made their Returns in time, but neglected to pay over the dues, which is equally imperative under the section

of the By-Laws referred to. But as it is not safe to remit the dues by mail, and but seldom convenient for the country Lodges to forward the money otherwise than by the respective Delegates who attend the Grand Lodge, your Committee would not recommend any action against said Lodges for their default.

The following Lodges have paid their dues, but their Returns are irregular. In some, the signatures of the officers are omitted; in others, the Seal is wanting, viz:

Germania.....	No. 46	Louisiana.....	No. 102
Hiram.....	70	Cloutierville.....	103

The following Lodges have made Returns, but have not paid the full amount of their dues. In some instances, the balances against the Lodges are quite small.

St. James.....	No. 47	Patmos.....	No. 97
Providence.....	50	Mt. Lebanon.....	104
Olive.....	52	Thos. Jefferson.....	113
Lafayette.....	56	Friendship.....	114
Franklin.....	57	Dawson.....	129
Sabine.....	75	Jeffersonian.....	138
DeWitt Clinton.....	80		

De Soto Lodge, No. 55, is still indebted to the Grand Lodge, but has reduced the debt, and paid her dues for the past year. Your Committee submit the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That further indulgence be granted De Soto Lodge, No. 55, for the payment of the debt due by her to the Grand Lodge.

Lodges that have made Returns, but have failed to pay over their dues, viz:

Milford.....	No. 117	Downsville.....	No. 143
Athens.....	136		

Respectfully submitted,

S. G. PARSONS, }  
CH. LAFFON. } *Committee.*

The Committee on Work and Returns of Lodges Under

Dispensation, submitted the following report, which was read and adopted, and the resolutions appended thereto were separately acted upon and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Work and Returns of Lodges Under Dispensation have examined the returns of the following Lodges, and offer the following report and resolutions for the consideration of this Grand Body:

**RAPIDES LODGE.**—This Lodge has, in accordance with the requirements of the Grand Lodge, returned its Dispensation. Its Minutes, By-Laws and Returns, accompany the Dispensation. We find its proceedings regular, and its By-Laws, the same in substance, as our standard code. Their dues have been paid in full; a petition for a Charter accompanies the returns.

**SWAN LAKE LODGE.**—This Lodge has made no returns since December, 1856. In accordance with a resolution of your Grand Body, last year, the Dispensation was continued until the present Grand Communication. As none of the members of said Lodge have desired a continuance, we think the Dispensation should be cancelled.

**LIVINGSTON LODGE.**—This Lodge has sent up its Dispensation, also its Minutes and Returns, and paid her dues. Its By-Laws and the Minutes are correct.

Permission was granted by the M. W. G. Master in July, 1858, by special Dispensation, to change the location of said Lodge from Springfield to Ponchitoula, in the same parish. They ask for a Charter.

A petition from Shelby Baucum, J. M. Burns, J. M. Fuller, and seven others, for a new Lodge, to be located in the northern part of the Parish of Claiborne, to be known under the name and style of Burnsville Lodge, recommended by Minden Lodge, No. 51, is before us.

**MORGANZA LODGE.**—This Lodge has sent up its Minutes, Returns and Dispensation, and paid all dues; also a petition for a Charter. The By-Laws do not accompany the above—they were approved at the



last Grand Annual Communication. The Minutes are, in general, in conformity to the requirements of this Grand Lodge.

BROOKVILLE LODGE.—At your last Grand Annual Communication a resolution was adopted, viz: "That such Brethren, living in the vicinity of the late Brookville Lodge (never organized,) as are desirous of establishing a new Lodge, shall, on sending up a petition, duly recommended, be entitled to receive a Dispensation without charge." A letter from Bro. Washburn, D. D. G. Master, is before us, explaining the delay in their organization under the above resolution.

We therefore offer the following resolutions, and pray for their adoption.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JNO. E. S. HOUGH, }  
JNO. J. SEEDERS, } *Committee.*

*Resolved*, That Charters be granted to Rapides Lodge, Morganza Lodge, and Livingston Lodge.

*Resolved*, That the Grand Secretary be directed to cancel the Dispensation of Swan Lake Lodge.

*Resolved*, That a Dispensation be issued to the petitioners, recommended by Minden Lodge, No. 51, authorizing them to meet and work under the name and style of Burnsville Lodge, U. D., until our next Grand Annual Communication.

*Resolved*, That the Grand Secretary be directed to issue a Dispensation to the members of the late Brookville Lodge, in accordance with the resolution passed at the last Grand Annual Communication.

The following report from the Committee on Appeals and Grievances was then read :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have had before them a resolution of Napoleon Lodge, No. 94, recommending that John G. Hollis, S. E. Barr and John Singleton, who were suspended in the resolution of this Grand Lodge declaring the Charter of said Lodge forfeited, be reinstated.

There is also a similar recommendation from Milford Lodge, No.

117, to reinstate D. H. Miller, who was expelled by said Lodge in the year 1855.

And also a resolution of Concorde Lodge, No. 3, reinstating J. L. Daunoy, suspended by that Lodge.

These applications come up in proper form, and your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That John G. Hollis, S. E. Barr and John Singleton, late members of Napoleon Lodge, No. 94; D. H. Miller, late a member of Milford Lodge, No. 117, and J. L. Daunoy, late of Concorde Lodge, No. 3, be reinstated to all the rights of Masonry.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,	}	<i>Committee.</i>
H. REGENBURG,		
JAMES B. SCOT,		
A. J. NORWOOD,		
JOSEPH SANTINI,		

The resolution appended to the above report, was then taken up, and, on motion, the names of John G. Hollis and John Singleton, were stricken out, and it was then adopted.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances, submitted the following reports, which were separately read, and, together with the resolution appended thereto, adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have had before them a complaint of Liberty Lodge, No. 123, charging the W. M. of said Lodge, M. J. Birdsong, with gross unmasonic conduct.

The character of these charges is of such a nature that your committee recommend that they be referred to the M. W. Grand Master for action, in accordance with Article 4th, of Chapter 1, of the By-Laws and General Regulations of the Grand Lodge.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,	}	<i>Committee.</i>
H. REGENBURG,		
A. J. NORWOOD,		
JAMES B. SCOT,		
JOHN C. GORDY.		

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have had in consideration a petition from a number of Brethren, formerly members of the late Bellevue Lodge, No. 95, recommending L. Rathbun, who was suspended indefinitely by said Lodge in 1857, to be reinstated.

At the last annual Grand Communication the trial of L. Rathbun was examined on appeal, and the action of Bellevue Lodge was approved.

Your committee is of the opinion that this is not a case proper for the immediate action of the Grand Lodge. The brother should seek his relief at the Lodge under whose jurisdiction he resides.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,

H. REGENBURG,

A. J. NORWOOD,

JAMES B. SCOT,

JOHN C. GORDY.

Committee.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have had under consideration the charges preferred against C. F. Heunisch and P. H. Huard, of Concorde Lodge, No. 3, by Bro. Joseph Santini and others, for admitting into the said Lodge, in June last, at an initiation, and permitting to remain therein, several clandestine Masons, claiming to belong to a Lodge in this city, called "*Silencio*;" and this, notwithstanding the Brethren preferring the charges, protested against this action and retired from the Lodge.

It seems Bro. Heunisch was the returned W. M. of Concorde Lodge, No. 3, for the year 1858, and Bro. Huard, Secretary. For reasons best known to themselves, Bro. Heunisch resigned his office of W. M., (which, by the way he could not do), and Bro. Huard permitted himself to be elected in his place as Worshipful Master, Bro. Heunisch taking the office of Secretary. These two were present at the time above referred to, Bro. Heunisch in the Chair. No steps have been taken to ensure a trial at this session of the Grand Lodge.

In consideration of the positive assertions of several Masons, that this violation of obligation was persisted in by these two brothers, Heunisch and Huard, and that the former was the regular returned, and that the latter claims to be the true W. M., your committee are

of the opinion that the Grand Lodge should take cognizance of this complaint, that these two brothers be suspended from all their rights as Masons, until a trial can be had, and that steps be taken under the regulations of the Grand Lodge to have them tried at the next Grand Communication, and offer the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That steps be taken under Art. 4, Secs. 1 and 2 of Chapter I, of the Grand Lodge Regulations, to have the case of Bros. C. F. Heunisch and P. H. Huard ready for trial at the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, and that until said trial take place they be suspended from all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, A. J. NORWOOD, JAMES B. SCOT, H. REGENBURG, JOHN C. GORDY.	}	<i>Committee.</i>
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The M. W. Grand Master, under the Resolutions passed last evening, in relation to *St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5*, appointed Past Grand Master John H. Holland, to act as his Special Deputy, to take charge of the charter of said Lodge, to preside at the Election of its Officers, and instal them, etc., etc.

Bro. WALTER ROSSMAN moved to reconsider the Report from the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, in the case of Lysander Rathbun, which motion was lost.

The Special Committee to whom was referred the M. W. Grand Master's Address, and accompanying documents, submitted the following Report, which was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee to whom was referred the address of the M. W. Grand Master, since their report have had presented to them the report of D. D. G. M. A. S. Washburn, which was offered as a part of

the M. W. Grand Master's address. Speaking of the Lodges under his charge, he represents the majority of them in a favorable condition, but states a general complaint of remissness of the members in attending the stated meetings of their Lodges. In some of the Lodges he reports a great want of knowledge in the work, and attributes the same to the past and present mode of instruction, and does not seem to think any improvement will take place until an entirely different mode is adopted. He thinks well of the plan adopted by some of the Grand Lodges—that of causing the Grand Lecturers or D. D. G. Masters to meet together and adopt a uniform system of work, said work to be approved by the Grand Lodge. Then each Grand Lecturer or D. D. G. Master to summons each of the Lodges in his district to meet together at a certain time and place, by two of their officers or other apt brethren, and who are required to remain and receive instruction until each shall have acquired the work and lectures alike. Could this be made practicable in Louisiana, no doubt but the result would effect the much desired change.

As the matter of work has for some years back attracted so much attention of the Order, we will give the expressions of the W. Bro. in full thereon: "I know that there are those who attach little importance to the ceremonies and lectures of Masonry, who believe that the great moral ends of the Order can be obtained without them, but I beg leave to differ with such brethren; without our ceremonies and the proper explanation of their beautiful symbolism, our moral teachings would loose half their significance, and the universality of Masonry would be wanting, under this want of system and uniformity in ceremonial and lecture too. Our means of recognition would soon become so changed, so various, that the brethren of neighboring States and countries would be unable to recognize each other, and the parts of our Mystic Temple would no longer fit with that exact nicety, as to be put together without the use of metal tools, nor would we from the marks upon the different blocks, be able to detect and punish the faulty craftsman."

All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted,

J. C. BATCHELOR, }  
L. R. CURTIS, } *Committee.*

Past Grand Master, J. H. Holland, and the officers and members of St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, being announced, were admitted, and being appropriately addressed by the M. W. Grand Master, took their seats in the Grand Lodge.

On motion, the Grand Secretary was ordered to issue to the members of St. Andrew Lodge, named in the resolution of last evening, a new charter, free of charge.

The Special Committee, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's Address, relating to the "*Rights of Non-Affiliated Masons*," and the "*Physical Disability of Candidates*," submitted the following Reports, which were read and adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

In regard to the rights of non-affiliated Masons, your Committee think they are stated in Art. 3, Sec. 1, of Chap. 3, of By-Laws of this Grand Lodge, but might be probably more plainly stated.

Your Committee, after consulting the draughtsman of the above section, are of the opinion that a non-affiliated Mason of over one year's standing loses all right to visit any Lodge in the jurisdiction, or to join in or to assist at any of the public processions or ceremonies of Masonry whatever. And that he loses all claims (as a right) to Masonic Burial, or to receive relief for himself or family from the funds of the Order—in the two last named cases the matter is left to the judgment and discretion of his own Lodge, or to that of the Lodge under whose jurisdiction he might be at the time of his death, or to whom the application for relief is made.

All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted,

J. C. BATCHELOR,	} Committee.
A. S. WASHBURN,	
G. W. MUNDAY,	
JOHN C. GORDY,	
S. P. SOLOMON,	

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

In regard to the physical requirements of candidates or their disabilities, your Committee might quote opinions at almost any length, and as various as numerous, and from those who refuse the least blemish, to those accepting positive deformity—the middle ground in this, as in many questions of the kind, your Committee are of opinion is the proper one.

A candidate should be able to see, hear, feel, and walk, and should be in such possession of his physical and mental faculties as will enable him to fully prove both himself and others, and be enabled to obtain thereby a living, that he may not become a charge to the Order.

All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted,

J. C. BATCHELOR,	} Committee.
A. S. WASHBURN,	
G. W. MUNDAY,	
JOHN C. GORDY,	
S. P. SOLOMON,	

The Special Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's Address relating to the "*Mount Vernon Fund Association*," "*History of Masonry in this State*," and a "*Universal Masonic Congress*," submitted the following Report, which was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your special committee, to whom was referred certain portions of the address of the M. W. Grand Master, beg leave to report that the subjects referred to them are treated of at length in the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, to which they beg leave to refer. See pages 72, 12, 24, 98, 90 and 105.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,	} Committee.
EDW. BARNETT,	

The Special Committee appointed at the last Annual Grand Communication, to provide a suitable testimonial for

Past Grand Master WM. M. PERKINS, submitted the following Report, which was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, F. and A. M. :*

The Committee who were appointed at the last Annual Communication to provide and prepare an appropriate testimonial to be presented to our Past M. W. Grand Master, Wm. M. Perkins, as a token of the esteem of the members of this Grand Lodge, beg leave to report that they have performed that pleasing duty, according to their best judgment, and without making an extravagant outlay, have caused to be manufactured by Messrs. Terfloth & Kuchler, of this city, at a cost of \$317 40, a goblet of pure gold, bearing upon it various Masonic designs and emblems, which your Committee hope may prove acceptable to the much-loved and distinguished brother for whom it has been prepared, and also considered by your M. W. Grand Body as an appropriate and fitting symbol to be given to one, who for four years occupied the position of Grand Master, presided over your deliberations, and to whose wise and careful management this Grand Lodge owes mainly its present prosperous condition.

The base of the cup represents the "Three Steps" upon which stand the "Three Grand Masonic Pillars," representing "Wisdom, Strength and Beauty ;" around the cup are four solid figures, representing "Temperance, Fortitude, Prudence and Justice ;" there are also represented, in raised figures, many Masonic emblems, and a very correct representation of the Grand Lodge Masonic Hall.

There is also engraved upon the cup the following inscription :

"PRESENTED TO

WM. M. PERKINS, PAST GRAND MASTER,

BY THE

M. W. GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA,

F. and A. M.

NEW ORLEANS, FEBRUARY 17, 1859."

All of which is fraternally submitted.

AMOS ADAMS,	} Committee.
H. R. SWASEY,	
SAMUEL M. TODD,	
A. J. NORWOOD,	



On motion, it was agreed that the above Testimonial be presented on to-morrow evening, immediately preceding the election of officers.

The Resolutions submitted by the Committee on Foreign Correspondence (see Appendix, page 105), were then called up, and being separately read, Nos, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 were unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 7 was then read, when Bro. J. C. Batchelor moved that the consideration of the same be deferred until the third day of the next Annual Grand Communication, and a roll of Lodges being called for, the motion was lost by the following vote :

Yeas—Curtis, Nos. 28, 31, 47, 57, 59, 84, 90, 121, 127, 135, 142, 153—Total, 37 votes.

Nays—Adams, Todd, Scruggs, Norwood, Risk, Solomon, Driver, Regenburg, De Lucas, da Silva, Nos. L. DEL. O. 5, 45, 46, 52, 53, 54, 55, 58, 61, 63, 65, 66, 68, 70, 75, 76, 78, 96, 98, 102, 103, 112, 113, 116, 119, 124, 129, 133, 134, 141, 144, 145, 148, 149, 151—Total, 115 votes.

The question then recurring on the Resolution as offered by the Committee, it was adopted, on a call of Lodges, by the following vote :

Yeas—Adams, Todd, Scruggs, Risk, De Lucas, da Silva, Nos. L. DEL. O. 5, 45, 46, 52, 58, 61, 63, 65, 68, 75, 76, 78, 96, 103, 119, 129, 133, 134, 141, 144, 145, 148, 149, 156—Total 78 votes.

Nays—Norwood, Solomon, Driver, Regenburg, Curtis, Nos. 28, 31, 47, 53, 54, 57, 59, 66, 70, 84, 90, 98, 102, 112, 113, 121, 124, 127, 135, 142, 151, 153—Total, 71 votes.

Resolution No. 8 was then read and adopted.

The following amendment offered at the last Annual Grand

Communication, by Past Grand Master Wm. M. Perkins, was then taken up and adopted:

"Insert the first line of Sec. 1, Art. 2, and Chap. 2, after the word 'must,' the words '*be twenty-one years of age.*'"

The following amendment, offered by Bro. Jos. T. WATTS, W. M. of Mt. Moriah Lodge, No. 59, to the By-Laws, on last sitting, was then read, and after some discussion, was on motion indefinitely postponed.

"That no candidate be permitted to make application to any Subordinate Lodge in this jurisdiction for the Degrees of Masonry, who has not been a resident and claimed domicile in the State of Louisiana, for the space of one year previous to the making of said application; *Provided* that this clause shall not be construed to exclude from the right to petition for Degrees or Membership by affiliation, the following named persons:

1st. All unaffiliated Master Masons in good standing with this Grand Lodge, and entitled to the right of visit in the Subordinate Lodges.

2nd. All sea-faring men, claiming no settled domicile.

3rd. Officers, Soldiers, Marines and Mariners of the Army and Navy of the United States.

Bro. B. DA SILVA offered the following amendment to the By-Laws, which lies over.

*Resolved*, That Sec. 4, of Art. 2, Chap. 2, of the By-Laws be so amended, by adding the words, "*Four weeks have elapsed,*" and so as to read, "*but no degree, after the first, shall be conferred until four weeks having elapsed, and the applicant*" etc.

Bro. WALTER ROSSMAN gave notice that he would move on to-morrow evening, to reconsider the 7th Resolution, offered by the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, in regard to a "Congress of Free and Accepted Masons."

Bro. A. GOLDMAN, W. M. of Ocean Lodge, No. 144, offered the following Resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That in future, all notices of applications for the Degrees of Masonry, in the City of New Orleans, shall contain the actual residence of the candidate, by street and number.

A. J. NORWOOD, Junior Grand Warden, submitted the following amendment to the By-Laws, which lies over :

Strike out of Art. 2, Sec. 1, of Chap. 2, of By-Laws, the words, "*and his ability to aid in the benevolent objects of the Institution.*"

BRO. J. T. WATTS, gave notice that he would move to reconsider his amendment to the By-Laws, on to-morrow evening.

On motion, the hour of 8 o'clock on to-morrow evening, was fixed for the annual election of officers.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until 6 o'clock to-morrow, (Thursday) evening.

[Signed.]

AMOS ADAMS, *Grand Master.*

J. C. GORDY, *Senior Grand Warden, pro tem.*

A. J. NORWOOD, *Junior Grand Warden.*

SAMUEL G. RISK, *Grand Secretary.*

GRAND LODGE HALL, }  
 NEW ORLEANS, Thursday, February 17, 1859. }

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge was called to labor in the Third Degree, at 6 o'clock, p. m., the following

OFFICERS PRESENT:

AMOS ADAMS.....	M. W. Grand Master.
S. M. TODD.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
S. O. SCRUGGS.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
A. J. NORWOOD.....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
S. C. MICHELL.....	W. Grand Treasurer.
S. G. RISK.....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
JULES ARONI.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
S. P. SOLOMON.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
W. C. DRIVER.....	W. Grand Marshal.
H. REGENBURG.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
WM. WALKER.....	W. Grand Pursuivant, <i>pro tem.</i>
B. DELUCAS.....	} W. Grand Stewards.
E. D. CRAIG.....	
B. DA SILVA.....	
JOSEPH CHELLET.....	W. Grand Tyler.

The Committee on Credentials submitted the following report, which was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State Louisiana :*

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following Brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge:

HOMER.....No. 152—J. M. Thomasson, W. M.

G. M. Kilgore, S. W.

W. P. Brown, J. W.

DOWNSVILLE.....No. 143—B. F. Farmer, W. M.

G. A. Stinson, S. W.

H. F. Stinson, J. W.

FILLMORE.....No. 154--A. J. McDade, W. M.

N. G. Springfield, S. W.

D. J. Henderson, J. W.

J. H. Holland....proxy for S. W. Friends of Harmony.....No. 58.

Cotton Henry.... " " W. M. Hermitage ..... " 98.

J. S. Beers, Jr.... " " W. M. Cloutierville..... " 193.

H. Marks..... " " J. W. " ..... " 103.

G. W. Race..... " " W. M. Deerfield..... " 120.

J. Pearce..... " " S. W. Cherry Ridge ..... " 155.

F. A. Dentzel.... " " W. M. Franklinton ..... " 101.

J. A. Scollner.... " " J. W. Kissatchie ..... " 156.

B. Roderiquez... " " J. W. Amigos del Orden..... " 5.

T. W. Peyton.... " " W. M. Quitman ..... " 76.

E. Wells..... " " W. M. Hiram..... " 70.

Respectfully submitted,

H. REGENBURG, }  
R. B. LAWRENCE. } *Committee.*

A roll of Lodges being then called, the following were represented:

Nos. P. U. 1, 3, ST. A. 5, L. O. 5, 19, 44, 45, 47, 51, 52, 53, 54, 57, 58, 59, 61, 63, 65, 66, 68, 70, 72, 75, 76, 78, 84, 90, 96, 98, 101, 102, 103, 106, 112, 113, 115, 119, 120, 121, 124, 125, 127, 134, 135, 142, 143, 148, 149, 151, 152, 153, 155, 156—Total, 53 Chartered Lodges.

On motion of Bro. S. P. SOLOMON, the reading of the minutes was postponed until to-morrow evening.

The Committee on Audit and Accounts then submitted the following reports, which were separately read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Audit and Accounts, to whom was referred the report of the Grand Treasurer, beg leave to report, that they have examined the same, together with his vouchers and accounts, found them to be correct, and have cancelled the vouchers in obedience to their constitutional duties.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

F. H. HATCH,  
W. C. DRIVER, } *Committee.*

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Audit and Accounts, beg leave to report that they have had under consideration the balance sheet, and books and accounts of the Grand Secretary, and find the amounts received and paid over to correspond with the receipts of the Grand Treasurer, and that the books are neatly and accurately kept.

In order to simplify, and the better to adjust the keeping of the accounts of this officer, your committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution, viz:

*Resolved,* That this Grand Lodge hereby instruct and require the Grand Secretary to keep a printed receipt book, with a duplicate margin, explanatory of receipts given, successively numbered, and when practicable a certificate of the amount received from the party paying the same.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted.

F. H. HATCH,  
W. C. DRIVER, } *Committee.*

The Grand Secretary then submitted the following report, which was adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

BRETHREN: I have to report to you that Fillmore Lodge, No. 154, has this day made her returns, and paid her dues in full. Downsville Lodge, No. 143, which made her returns within the Constitutional period, has also paid her dues in full.

I have also received from Bro. James M. Thomasson, W. M., of Homer Lodge, No. 152, the sum of \$41 50, collected by that Lodge from members of the late Taylor Lodge, No. 100, for dues.

Fraternally yours,

SAMPL G. RISK,

*Grand Secretary.*

The Committee on Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges submitted the following report and resolutions, which were adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

The Committee on Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges report that the following named Lodges have made no returns of their Work for the past year, nor paid any portion of their dues, to wit:

Lafayette Lodge.....No. 87	Sparta Lodge.....No. 108
Many Lodge .....No. 88	Castor Lodge.....No. 109
Monticello Lodge.....No. 92	Arcadia Lodge.....No. 126

No facts or circumstances are within the knowledge of your committee to excuse this delinquency. Printed forms, for making returns, appear to have been furnished said Lodges in due time, and with these forms before them, the Secretaries could meet with no difficulty in making out the returns from the record and register of members required to be kept, by Art. 1, Sec. 3, Chap. 2 of the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge. Your committee submit the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Grand Secretary address a Circular to each Lodge which has failed to make returns and pay its dues for the past year, and direct the attention of said Lodges specially to Art. 1, Sec. 9, Chap. 2 of the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge.

In view of the fact that quite a number of the Subordinate Lodges are in arrears with this Grand Lodge, and in order that these balances may not be allowed to accumulate, your committee recommend that the Grand Secretary be directed to notify said Lodges of the respective amount due by each, and to this end submit the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Grand Secretary notify each of the Subordinate Lodges, before the close of the present Masonic year, of the amounts of their respective indebtedness, in order that the same may be provided for and paid before the next Annual Grand Communication.

D'Arbonne Lodge, No. 128, in consequence of her proximity to another Lodge, by resolution has returned her Charter, and paid up all her dues to the Grand Lodge. It appears from a copy of the minutes accompanying her returns that all her members, except the first three officers, were regularly demitted at her last meeting. The Master and Wardens of said Lodge petition the Grand Lodge to grant them demits. The Lodge having paid up all her indebtedness, there is no good reason why the petition should not be granted. The committee therefore submit the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the surrender of the Charter of D'Arbonne Lodge, No. 128, be accepted, and that the Grand Secretary grant Demits to Robert H. Henry, W. M., W. B. McCormick, S. W., and Thomas Millsaps, J. W., being the first three officers of said Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

SYL'R G. PARSONS,	} Committee.
CHAS. LAFFON,	
D. E. SCRUGGS,	

Bro. SAMUEL F. MARKS then called up the motion to reconsider the action of the Grand Lodge on the seventh resolution of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, in regard to a Congress of Free and Accepted Masons, and a



call of Lodges being asked for, resulted in its being reconsidered by the following vote :

Yeas—Norwood, Michell, Solomon, Driver, Regenburg, DeLucas, Craig, Nos. 3, L. o. 5, 28, 31, 44, 47, 51, 53, 54, 57, 59, 66, 70, 76, 77, 84, 98, 102, 106, 112, 113, 115, 121, 124, 125, 127, 135, 141, 142, 143, 144, 151, 152, 153—Total, 109 votes.

Nays—Adams, Todd, Scruggs, Risk, Hedges. Nos. p. v. 1, st. A. 5, 19, 45, 46, 52, 58, 61, 63, 65, 68, 72, 75, 78, 90, 96, 103, 119, 120, 129, 134, 145, 148, 149, 155, 156—Total, 83 votes.

The hour having arrived for the presentation of the Testimonial to Past Grand Master, WM. M. PERKINS, the M. W. Grand Master, AMOS ADAMS arose and addressed Bro. Perkins as follows :

MOST WORSHIPFUL BROTHER : At the last Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, a resolution was unanimously passed, appointing a committee to procure a suitable testimonial to present to you as a *mark* of the esteem we bear you as a man, and as a Mason. That committee consisting of Bros. Swasey, Todd and Norwood, and to which I was added, have discharged that duty, and have procured a testimonial which is now ready to be presented.

Before doing so, however, it is proper to advert to the causes somewhat, which have induced this Grand Lodge to travel so far out of their usual record.

When our lamented Brother, Past Grand Master Hill, was called so suddenly from time, the Grand Lodge, under his auspices, had just entered upon an enterprise which, if successful, would result in great benefit to Masonry in this State—if unsuccessful, in injury and disgrace. The Grand Lodge felt the great importance of selecting one for the office of Grand Master, who had the entire confidence of the Brethren—who was qualified for the ordinary duties of Grand Master—one upon whom they could rely to manage the financial matters connected with this purchase, and the payments upon the

Grand Lodge Hall. Their choice fell upon you, and subsequent events have shown the wisdom of their choice. You were reelected from year to year, until at our last session, you absolutely refused to accept the office again ; yet, notwithstanding your refusal, the Grand Lodge elected you without a dissenting voice, showing the entire confidence reposed in you by every member of the Grand Lodge.

During your four years' service as Grand Master, this Grand Lodge Hall enterprise was placed upon a footing, that its success was a *fixed fact* past any contingency.

It is not alone, however, for the manner in which the Grand Lodge Hall enterprise has been managed, but for the uniform, kind, and courteous, and at the same time firm and decided manner with which your arduous and responsible duties of Grand Master were performed, and your private virtues, that this token is presented.

I, as chairman of the committee, am made the honored instrument to present this testimonial to you, M. W. Brother, as a mark of the esteem in which you are held by us as a *man*, as a true and worthy *Mason*, and as a highly esteemed and beloved Past M. W. Grand Master of this Grand Lodge ; and I assure you, I know no instance when it was more greatly deserved.

May this token of our regard be a strong incentive to continued devotion to the cause and principles of our time honored, and beloved Order.

Take it my Brother, and preserve it ; hand it down to your children and children's children ; preserve it as an *heir-loom* in your family, that they may appreciate, by this *Token*, the esteem in which you were held by your Masonic Brethren, and the high place you held in their Councils, and in their affections.

And when your work is ended—your labors over—your working tools laid aside here below, may our Great Grand Master have you in His holy keeping in the Supreme Grand Lodge above.

During the delivery of this address, the most profound silence reigned amongst the crowded assembly of brethren, who had come to bear testimony, face to face, of the sincerity of their approbation, to so well deserved a testimonial being presented to their Past Most Worshipful Grand Master.

Bro. Perkins on receiving the testimonial, addressed the Grand Lodge in a most feeling manner, and in the words of plain, practical, forcible and truthful eloquence, so characteristic of the sterling Mason—whose candor and frankness are sustained by virtuous acts and noble deeds.

Immediately after the presentation, the M. W. Grand Master announced the business in order to be the Annual Election of Officers, and declared a recess of a few minutes. The Grand Lodge being again called to order, proceeded to the election of officers, which resulted in the choice of the following:

SAMUEL M. TODD.....	Grand Master.
A. J. NORWOOD.....	Senior Grand Warden.
JOSEPH SANTINI.....	Junior Grand Warden.
S. C. MICHELL.....	Grand Treasurer.
S. G. RISK.....	Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES.....	Grand Chaplain.

On motion, the M. W. Grand Master elect was authorized to appoint the other officers of the Grand Lodge, which he immediately announced as follows:

S. O. SCRUGGS.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
JOHN C. GORDY.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
W. C. DRIVER.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
J. C. BATCHELOR.....	W. Grand Marshal.
G. W. MUNDAY.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
JOHN E. S. HOUGH.....	W. Grand Pursuivant.
H. M. CRENSHAW.....	W. Grand Steward.
E. D. CRAIG.....	" "
B. DE LUCAS.....	" "
S. G. PARSONS.....	" "
JOSEPH CHELLET.....	W. Grand Tyler.

The Grand Master elect also announced the following brethren as

**Board of Directors of Grand Lodge Hall.**

WM. M. PERKINS.....	of Marion Lodge.....	No. 68.
H. R. SWASEY.....	of George Washington Lodge..	" 65.
SAM'L HARBY.....	of Friends of Harmony Lodge,	" 58.
G. M. BEAMAN.....	of Quitman Lodge.....	" 76.
J. T. WATTS.....	of Mount Moriah Lodge.....	" 59.
J. R. MACMURDO.....	of Louisiana Lodge.....	" 102.

On motion, that portion of the Grand Secretary's report in relation to the Grand Lodge Library was referred to a Special Committee of three.

The M. W. Grand Master appointed on said committee, Bros. H. M. Crenshaw, A. S. Washburn, and S. F. Marks.

On motion, the sum of \$150 was appropriated to the Assistant Grand Secretary, as a compensation for extra services performed during this Grand Communication.

The Grand Lodge was then called off till half-past six o'clock to-morrow evening, at which time the installation of officers was announced to take place.

[Signed]

AMOS ADAMS, *Grand Master.*

J. C. GORDY, *Senior Grand Warden, pro tem.*

A. J. NORWOOD, *Junior Grand Warden.*

SAM'L G. RISK, *Grand Secretary.*

GRAND LODGE HALL,  
NEW ORLEANS, Friday, February 18, 1859. }

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge was called to labor in the Third Degree, at half-past six o'clock, the following

OFFICERS PRESENT:

AMOS ADAMS.....M. W. Grand Master.  
S. M. TODD.....R. W. Deputy Grand Master.  
J. C. GORDY.....R. W. Senior Grand Warden, *pro tem.*  
A. J. NORWOOD .....R. W. Junior Grand Warden.  
A. P. BEERS .....W. Grand Treasurer, *pro tem.*  
SAMUEL G. RISK.....W. Grand Secretary.  
J. H. HOLLAND.....W. Grand Chaplain, *pro tem.*  
JNO. W. PEARCE.....W. Senior Grand Deacon. *pro tem.*  
S. P. SOLOMON.....W. Junior Grand Deacon.  
W. C. DRIVER.....W. Grand Marshal.  
S. I. GUILLET.....W. Grand Sword Bearer, *pro tem.*  
BRUNO DE LUCAS.....W. Grand Steward.  
S. G. PARSONS.....W. Grand Steward, *pro tem.*  
J. E. S. HOUGH.....W. Grand Steward, *pro tem.*  
JOS. CHELLET.....W. Grand Tyler.

The Committee on Credentials submitted the following report, which was read and adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following Brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge :

CASTOR.....No. 109—W. L. DeGraffenreidt, W. M.

John Hampton, S. W.

B. R. Irwin, J. W.

O. J. Donnell, proxy for J. M. Thomasson, W. M. of Homer, No. 152.

Amos Adams.. “ “ W. M. of St. James..... “ 47.

Wm. M. Perkins, “ “ W. M. of Tunica..... “ 63.

W. M. Mercer.. “ “ S. W. of Houma..... “ 139.

T. A. Bartlett.. “ “ W. M. of Dudley..... “ 66.

Respectfully submitted,

HY. REGENBURG, }  
R. B. LAWRENCE. } *Committee.*

The Grand Secretary reported that Castor Lodge, No. 109, had to-day made her returns, and paid her dues in full.

The Roll being then called the following Lodges were represented :

Nos. 3, L. O. 5, 31, 44, 45, 46, 47, 51, 54, 57, 58, 63, 65, 68, 76, 78, 84, 98, 102, 103, 109, 124, 133, 134, 135, 139, 142, 144, 147, 151, 152, 156—Total, 32 Lodges.

The minutes of the 16th and 17th instants were then read and approved.

At the request of the M. W. Grand Master, Past Grand Master John H. Holland proceeded to, and did install in an appropriate manner the following officers :

SAM'L M. TODD.....	M. W. Grand Master.
S. O. SCRUGGS, (Amos Adams, proxy)....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
A. J. NORWOOD.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
JOSEPH SANTINI.....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
S. C. MICHELL, (A. R. Beers, proxy)....	W. Grand Treasurer.
S. G. RISK.....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES, (Alex. Phillips, proxy)	W. Grand Chaplain.
J. C. GORDY.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
W. C. DRIVER.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
J. C. BATCHELOR.....	W. Grand Marshal.
G. W. MUNDAY, (S. I. Guillet, proxy)...	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
J. E. S. HOUGH.....	W. Grand Pursuivant.
H. M. CRENSHAW.....	W. Grand Steward.
E. D. CRAIG.....	W. " "
B. DE LUCAS.....	W. " "
S. G. PARSONS.....	W. " "
JOSEPH CHELLET.....	W. Grand Tyler.

Past Grand Master Wm. M. Perkins being announced, was admitted to a seat in the East, in an appropriate manner.

The Committee on Chartered Lodges offered the following report, which was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

The Committee on Work and Returns, of Chartered Lodges, beg leave to submit the following report :

TUNICA LODGE, No. 63.—This Lodge, has sent up with her returns, a copy of her By-Laws, for approval by the Grand Lodge. Your committee after a careful examination of the same, find nothing therein repugnant to the Constitution, By-Laws or Regulations of the Grand Lodge, and recommend the approval thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

S. G. PARSONS, }  
D. E. SCRUGGS, } *Committee.*

The Committee on Lodges Under Dispensation, submitted the following report, which was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Lodges under Dispensation have examined the returns of the following named Lodges, submitted to them for that purpose, and submit the following report and resolution for your consideration :

GROSSE TETE LODGE.—The returns and proceedings of this Lodge, whose Dispensation was continued last year, are correct. Their dues have been paid in full. They have adopted the standard code of By-Laws, recommended by the M. W. Grand Lodge. They petition for a Charter.

ATCHAFALAYA LODGE.—A petition is before us from Brethren living in the vicinity of Simmsport, Louisiana, and recommended by Tunica Lodge, No. 63, praying your honorable body to grant them a Dispensation for a new Lodge, to be located at Simmsport, to be called Atchafalaya Lodge. The following named Brethren are recommended as the three first officers: Jerome B. Robinson, W. M., F. H. Babbitt, S. W., and John J. McRea, J. W. Your committee would urge upon the different Lodges, the importance of affixing the seal of the Lodge to all official documents—several of the Demits accompanying the above petition are without the seal of the Lodge, though known to be genuine. We call their attention particularly to article 1, section 4, of Chapter 2, of the Grand Lodge By-Laws.

We submit, therefore, the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, That a Charter be granted to Grosse Tete Lodge, heretofore under Dispensation.

*Resolved*, That a Dispensation be granted to Atchafalaya Lodge, to be located at Simmsport, until our next Grand Annual Communication.

JNO. E. S. HOUGH, }  
JOHN J. SEEDERS. } *Committee.*

The following reports from the Committee on Appeals and Grievances were then read separately and, together with the resolutions appended, adopted.



*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances to whom was referred that part of the M. W. Grand Master's Address on charlatanism and display of Masonic emblems on business cards, sign boards, and in advertisements, respectfully beg leave to report:

That as in a majority of such cases the persons making use of such improper display of their connection with the Order, are either base pretenders, or expelled or suspended Masons, who cannot be reached by any course of proceedings Masonically; or if they actually be members, such display is in the opinion of your Committee an evidence that they have sought entrance into our Order, instigated by improper motives.

Your Committee, therefore, consider it the duty of the Fraternity studiously to avoid those who attempt to gull them by such displays, and not only to refuse to patronize them, but to use every lawful means to warn the public against them.

If, however, a member of a Lodge should be guilty of prostituting our emblems in such an unworthy manner, your Committee deems it to be the duty of the Lodge to request such member to discontinue the practice, and on his refusing to comply therewith, to prefer charges against him for unmasonic conduct.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
H. REGENBURG,  
JAMES B. SCOT,  
JOSEPH SANTINI,  
A. J. NORWOOD,  
JOHN C. GORDY.

} Committee.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have had under consideration the several subjects contained in the M. W. Grand Master's Address referred to them, and beg leave to report:

We find from the report of Bro. Myers, to whom was confided, by the M. W. Grand Master, the settlement of the affairs of Pleasant Hill Lodge, No. 36, and Murray Lodge, No. 137, that he has been unable to obtain any information by which the indebtedness of the

several members of the said Lodges can be ascertained, and that the books and papers of the said Lodges have either been destroyed, or been so irregularly kept as to be entirely unintelligible.

We learn that the affairs of Iberville Lodge, No. 81, Joppa Lodge, No. 74, and Edna Lodge, No. 64, are in the same condition.

When the officers and members of a Lodge are so ignorant of their duties, or so culpably negligent, your committee is of opinion that, in order that the members of the same may obtain the necessary certificates of good standing, the Grand Lodge should adopt the following plan of settlement :

The indebtedness of the Lodge to the Grand Lodge should be ascertained by the Grand Secretary up to the time of forfeiture of the Charter, taking the last annual returns as the basis. The amount thus obtained, subject to corrections for deaths, etc., that may have occurred, should be equally divided among the members, as the amount due by each member to the Grand Lodge. The Grand Secretary, on receiving this amount, should be authorized to issue certificates of good standing to the Brother who has paid it, on the recommendation of the nearest Lodge.

In regard to the case of Iberville Lodge, No. 81, we find the features of the case slightly varied, by the fact that the property of said Lodge being under seizure for rent, the W. Grand Secretary, under authority of the R. W. Deputy Grand Master, pledged himself to the parties that the indebtedness of the Lodge, on account of which the seizure was made, should be settled, in order to save the property from being publicly exposed to sale. In this case, your committee would recommend that the action of the R. W. Deputy Grand Master and the W. Grand Secretary be approved by the Grand Lodge.

The case of D'Arbonne Lodge has already been fully provided for by the action of your Committee on Chartered Lodges, and does not require the action of this committee.

The settlement of the affairs of Taylor Lodge, No. 100, was referred to Homer Lodge, No. 152, which duty has been ably and diligently discharged by said Lodge. We recommend that the action of Homer Lodge in this case be approved, that the W. Grand Secretary be authorized to issue certificates of good standing to all such members of said Lodge who have paid their dues, as appears from the report of Homer Lodge, and to all such others as shall hereafter pay their dues,

and be properly recommended, and that the funds and property of the late Taylor Lodge, now in the possession of Homer Lodge, be held subject to the order of the Grand Secretary.

The account of Philip Myers for expenses incurred in executing the trust reposed in him by the M. W. Grand Master, has been referred to this committee. In this account we find three items amounting to \$23, being the expenses of a trip to New Orleans and back. Your committee cannot see that the execution of his commission required Bro. Myers to come to this city, and recommend that that part of the account be rejected, and that the balance of the account, amounting to \$27 25, be approved and paid.

Your committee would respectfully submit the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due to Bro. Wm. Walker and Bro. Philip Myers, and to Homer Lodge, No. 152, and to Union Fraternal Lodge, No. 53, for the prompt and diligent manner in which they have executed the several duties assigned to them by the Grand Lodge.

All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,

H. REGENBURG,

JAMES B. SCOT,

JOSEPH SANTINI,

A. J. NORWOOD,

JOHN C. GORDY,

Committee.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have had under consideration the application of two of the members of the late Lodge, Perseverance, No. 4, asking for information as to the means necessary to be used to obtain such a demit or certificate as would enable them to affiliate with another Lodge.

Perseverance Lodge, No. 4, has indeed surrendered her Charter, but has surrendered nothing else; and hence, until her officers shall send up her books, papers, etc., as required by our Regulations, your

committee can at present see no way in which any member of that Lodge can obtain a certificate of good standing.

Fraternally submitted,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
H. REGENBURG,  
JAMES B. SCOT,  
A. J. NORWOOD,

} Committee.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have had under consideration the documents relating to Bro. A. P. Dostie, W. M. of Orleans Lodge, No. 78.

We can find nothing in the papers before us, which are entirely irregular and informal, upon which to base any resolution for the action of the Grand Lodge. If wrong has been committed by Bro. Dostie, any one feeling aggrieved has his remedy under Chapter I, Article 4, of the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge.

Your Committee therefore ask to be discharged from the further consideration of this subject.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
H. REGENBURG,  
JAMES B. SCOT,  
A. J. NORWOOD,  
JOHN C. GORDY,

} Committee.

The Special Committee on the Grand Master's Address submitted the following additional report, which was adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on the Grand Master's Address would report, that having had the Address of the M. W. Grand Master under consideration, they would respectfully offer the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That that portion of said Address referring to the death of Grand Officers, Bros. Daniel Goodman, Past Grand Treasurer, and F. F. Parmele, Past Grand Marshal, be referred to a Special Committee.

All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted,

J. C. BATCHELOR.

The M. W. Grand Master appointed Bros. Race, Washburn and Hough, as said Special Committee.

The Special Committee to whom was referred that part of the Grand Master's Address relating to the "*Mental and Moral Qualifications*" of candidates, reported as follows, which was adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

The Mental Qualifications of an applicant for the mysteries of Masonry should be of such a character as to enable him to understand the sublime teachings of our Order, in which is inculcated doctrine and discipline, as well as natural, mathematical and metaphysical science, and is perpetually opening unto us an extensive range of moral and speculative inquiry.

The Moral Qualifications should be such as to enable the Lodge to know of a certainty that the applicant is a temperate man; that he possesses the necessary amount of *fortitude*; that he is prudent in his relations to mankind in general; and, withal, that he is strictly just, and believes in one true God.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. GORDY,	}	<i>Committee.</i>
S. P. SOLOMON,		
J. C. BATCHELOR,		
A. S. WASHBURN,		

The Special Committee, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Secretary's Report, relating to the "*Grand Lodge Library*," submitted the following report, which was adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

We, the Special Committee, to whom was referred that part of the Grand Secretary's Report, relating to the Grand Lodge Library, have examined the same, and beg leave to make the following report:

We are of the opinion that the thanks of this Grand Lodge should be tendered to Bros. N. N. Barrett, of Connecticut; A. F. Cycoski, of Mississippi; Leon Hyneman, of Pennsylvania; Jos. Pearce, of New Orleans; J. D. Caldwell, of Ohio; and A. S. Ruthven, of Texas, for valuable books, documents, and photographs, and have appended a resolution to this purpose. We find, on examination, that the value of our library has been greatly enhanced by the contributions of these brethren.

In reference to the "Masonic History and Digest," purchased from Bro. J. W. S. Mitchell, for our library, we are certain it contains much valuable history and correct Masonic law; but in his remarks upon the proceedings of this Grand Body, at its last Grand Annual Communication, commented upon by the Grand Secretary, we believe he has misstated its action and misjudged its motives and the tendency of its measure. So far from deferring to Scotch-rite Masonry, (so called) this Grand Lodge ignores every thing as Masonry but the three original symbolic degrees, and requires all lodges under its jurisdiction to be bound by the same ties, and adopt the same means of recognition.

We believe, however, that our esteemed and honored brother allowed his fears to warp his judgment and misdirect his perception. His venerable age, and the service he has rendered the order through a long life devoted to Masonic literature, satisfies us, that the injustice he has done us was an error of the head, and not of the heart.

All which is respectfully submitted, with the following resolution,

H. M. CRENSHAW, }  
A. S. WASHBURN, } *Committee.*

*Resolved*, That the Grand Secretary address a letter of thanks to each brother named in this report, for their valuable contributions to our library.

The following amendments to the By-Laws were offered, and lie over, under the regulations:

By Bro. THOS. F. HEDGES, W. M. of Marion Lodge, No. 68:

Amend article 4 of chapter 3, thus:—After the words “*Provided that the proposition to amend, alter,*” etc., insert the words “*shall have received the sanction of a majority present at the time of its presentation and*” shall have laid over from one session to another of the same Grand Communication, etc.

By Bro. John C. Gordy, Senior Grand Deacon:

Resolved, That section 4, article 2 of chapter 2, of the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge, be so altered, that from the commencement of said section “*A separate ballot*” to the words at the end of the third line; “*for which he has balloted,*” be stricken out, when the section will read as follows, viz:—“No degree after the first shall be conferred until the applicant shall have proved himself, by examination in open Lodge, to be well versed and proficient in the degree or degrees which he may have taken.” The remaining portion of said section to be stricken out.

By S. G. Parsons, W. M. of Harry Hill Lodge, No. 134:

Resolved, That section 1, article 1 of chapter 1, of the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge, be amended by striking out the word “*February*” in the third line, and inserting “*March*” in lieu thereof.

By Bro. J. C. Batchelor:

To amend article 2, section 4 of chapter 2—to add to said section, as follows:—“Should the application for advancement to the second or third degrees be rejected, then the applicant shall not be allowed to renew his application until the expiration of four weeks—nor then until he shall have undergone another examination in open Lodge.”

Section 7 same article, strike out after the word “*initiation,*” the words “*or degrees.*”

Bro. WM. WALKER, of Eastern Star Lodge, No. 151; submitted the following amendment to the Grand Lodge Constitution, which was read and rejected:

SEC. 1. *Be it Resolved by the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana,* That each Chartered Lodge shall pay to the Grand Lodge one dollar for each member borne upon its Register during the year, and all Lodges one dollar for each Degree conferred; *Provided that any Brother after the passing of this resolution, who shall demit from a Subordinate*

Lodge, and during the same year of his demitting affiliate with another Subordinate Lodge of this Grand Lodge, and producing to said Lodge a receipt in full of his Grand Lodge dues, from the Lodge from which he demitted; the Lodge with which he affiliated shall not be compelled to pay to the Grand Lodge any more dues for the Brother so demitting and affiliating for that year.

The 7th Resolution of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was then called up, when Past Grand Master Amos Adams submitted the following as a substitute:

*Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge approve, in the main, the features of the plan of Bro. Peirson, and appoint three delegates to meet delegates appointed by the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, and other Grand Lodges that may choose to send delegates to meet in Chicago in September next, to consult together upon the propriety of continuing in existence this plan for a Congress, or Convention of delegates from Grand Lodges as aforesaid, to meet triennially; *Provided*, the delegates attend free of charge, and that their action shall have no binding force or effect, unless first approved by this Grand Lodge.

The question being called, the vote was taken by Lodges, and the substitute was lost by the following vote:

YEAS—Todd, Parsons, Crenshaw, Nos. 45, 47, 53, 78, 120, 133, 134, 147, 148, 156—Total, 33 votes.

NAYS—Norwood, Santini, Risk, Driver, Batchelor, Hough, De Lucas, Nos. 44, 54, 59, 63, 65, 66, 68, 70, 76, 84, 98, 102, 103, 109, 112, 124, 135, 142, 151—Total, 64 votes.

The question was then called for on the original resolution, which being put, and a vote by Lodges being called, it was lost by the following vote:

YEAS—Todd, Risk, Crenshaw, Parsons, Nos. 45, 47, 53, 63, 65, 68, 78, 103, 120, 133, 134, 139, 147, 148, 156—Total, 49 votes.



NAYS—Santini, Gordy, Driver, Batchelor, Hough, De Lucas, Nos. 44, 46, 54, 57, 59, 66, 70, 76, 84, 98, 102, 109, 135, 142, 151—Total, 51 votes.

Bro. FELLOWS gave notice that he would call up the same subject to-morrow evening.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until 6½ o'clock to-morrow evening.

[Signed]

SAMPL M. TODD, *Grand Master.*

A. J. NORWOOD, *Senior Grand Warden.*

JOSEPH SANTINI, *Junior Grand Warden.*

SAMUEL G. RISK, *Grand Secretary.*

GRAND LODGE HALL,  
NEW ORLEANS, Saturday, February 19, 1859.

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge was called to labor in  
the Third Degree, at half past six o'clock, P. M.

#### OFFICERS PRESENT:

SAMUEL M. TODD.....	W. M. Grand Master.
A. J. NORWOOD.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
JOSEPH SANTINI.....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
JESSE GUICE.....	W. Grand Treasurer, <i>pro tem</i> .
SAM'L G. RISK.....	W. Grand Secretary.
J. H. HOLLAND.....	W. Grand Chaplain, <i>pro tem</i> .
J. B. SCOT.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon, <i>pro tem</i> .
W. C. DRIVER.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
J. C. BATCHELOR.....	W. Grand Marshal.
G. W. RACE.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
J. E. S. HOUGH.....	W. Grand Pursuivant.
H. M. CRENSHAW.....	W. Grand Steward.
EMMET D. CRAIG.....	W. Grand Steward.
SYLVESTER G. PARSONS.....	W. Grand Steward.
COTTON HENRY.....	W. Grand Steward, <i>pro tem</i> .
JOSEPH CHELLET.....	W. Grand Tyler.

The Committee on Credentials submitted the following  
report, which was read and adopted :

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following Brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge:

Wm. M. Abernathy.....	proxy for W. M. of Polar Star Lodge, No. 1.
C. de Grijalva.....	" " W. M. of Mt. Moriah Lodge, " 59.
H. H. Dentzel.....	" " J. W. of Darlington Lodge, " 149.
T. A. Bartlett.....	" " S. W. of Thos. Jefferson " " 113.
John Biguenet.....	" " W. M. of Springfield Lodge, " 127.
H. J. Stansbury.....	" " W. M. of Franklin Lodge, " 57.

Fraternally submitted,

H. REGENBURG, }  
R. B. LAWRENCE. } *Committee.*

A roll of Lodges was then called, and the following were found to be represented:

Nos. P. U. 1, P. S. 1, L. DEL O. 5, 44, 45, 46, 47, 51, 53, 54, 57, 58, 59, 65, 66, 68, 75, 76, 77, 78, 84, 98, 102, 103, 112, 119, 124, 127, 133, 134, 135, 142, 145, 147, 148, 149, 152, 153, 155, 156—Total, 40 Lodges.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances submitted the following reports, which were read, and with the resolution appended, were adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have had before them a communication from A. J. Chapman, appealing against the action of Acacia Lodge, No. 116, in suspending him indefinitely in May last. Your committee have no transcript of the proceedings in the case before them, nor does it appear that the brother notified the Lodge of his intention to appeal. Your committee would therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That A. J. Chapman notify Acacia Lodge, No. 116, of his intention to appeal in conformity to the By-Laws and General Regulations of this Grand

Lodge (chap, 2, art. 3, sec. 7), and that on the reception of such notice Acacia Lodge, No. 116, proceed as if the notice had been given in due time.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,	} Committee.
JAMES B. SCOT,	
H. REGENBURG,	
A. J. NORWOOD,	
JOSEPH SANTINI,	

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have had under consideration, a communication of O. G. Newman, who, it appears had, after having been convicted of passing counterfeit money, and passed the time of his sentence in the Penitentiary, returned to the city with another name, and applied to Hermitage Lodge, No. 98, for initiation was elected and Initiated, when the fact having come to the knowledge of one then present, (then and now a member of the Grand Lodge), his reception into the Second Degree was objected to, and upon a proper representation to the Grand Master, then being M. W. Bro. Wm. M. Perkins, who, under the circumstances, ordered the Lodge to desist from conferring any farther degrees upon Bro. Newman. In the communication before us, he complains of this action and desires permission to proceed in the Order. He is certainly not in good repute, and no one should be Initiated or advanced in the Order, unless he be of good repute in the community. Your committee are therefore of the opinion that the order of Past Grand Master Perkins remain undisturbed.

Fraternally submitted,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,	} Committee.
JAMES B. SCOT,	
A. J. NORWOOD,	
JOSEPH SANTINI,	
H. REGENBURG,	

The following report from the "*Board of Directors of the Grand Lodge Hall,*" was then read, and on motion, approved and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

In behalf of the Board of Directors of the Grand Lodge Hall, I deem it only necessary to state that the transactions of the past year have been few.

The changes in our leases are, the re-leasing to Mr. Hugh M. Closkey the premises occupied by him heretofore as a Bakery, etc., and which he had given up at the time of his first lease expiring, and for which he pays \$25 per month.

W. P. Coleman has rented the office adjoining McCloskey's, for one year, with the privilege of renewal, at \$75 per month.

It is a pleasing duty to state that your Board have at present a fair prospect of receiving a sufficient amount of dues from the Lodges, together with the revenues of the Hall, to cancel, on the 1-4 of March next, the last mortgage note on the building, amounting to \$12,485. This paid, the only remaining debt on the building is due to our Lodges in the city of New Orleans, which will be nearly cancelled by the revenues and Lodge dues of the ensuing year.

Your Board, therefore, have not deemed it necessary to enter into detail, or suggestions, in regard to the Hall, until your next Annual Communication, at which time your Board contemplates to give a history of the objects, purchase, management, etc., of your Hall, and leave to you the direction of its future revenues, for the holy purposes to which they have been so solemnly dedicated.

SAM'L. M. TODD, *Acting President.*

The Committee on Work, through M. W. Grand Master SAM'L M. TODD, made a verbal report of their labors, so far as related to the esoteric teachings of our Institution; stating that an almost perfect Uniformity existed therein, throughout our jurisdiction, which proved highly satisfactory to the Grand Lodge.

The same committee submitted the following written report, which was read and adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

The undersigned, of Permanent Committee on Work, beg leave to report :

That they have had several meetings, and compared Work, and find that no material difference exists among themselves, and that the Work taught by Bro. J. C. Gordy, some four years ago, among the Country Lodges, is also essentially the same.

They would further report that they have had before them several of the Masters of the old Lodges who have formerly worked under authority of the Scotch Rite, so called, and find their means of recognition the same as our own, and they are, hereafter, to be bound by the same ties. The object, therefore, contemplated by the resolution offered last year, by Past Grand Master Perkins, (see page 100 of proceedings) has been amicably obtained, so far as your Committee have any power.

We deem a PERFECT UNIFORMITY OF WORK desirable, but while there exists, in language, more than one word to express the same idea, they have no hope of accomplishing so desirable an end. All that they can at present insist on, therefore, is to require that the means of recognition, and the mutual ties shall be uniform in all Lodges, holding of this Grand Body.

All of which is respectfully and Fraternally submitted,

SAM'L. M. TODD,	} Committee.
A. S. WASHBURN,	
EDW'D. BARNETT,	

The Special Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's Address relating to the death of our Past Grand Treasurer, DANIEL GOODMAN, and Past Grand Marshal F. F. PARMELE, submitted the following report and resolutions, which were unanimously adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

The select committee to whom was referred so much of the M. W. Grand Master's Address, as relates to the death of Brothers DANIEL GOODMAN and FREDERICK F. PARMELE, respectfully report:

That the afflicting dispensations of Divine Providence which causes this Grand Lodge, and the Craft at large, to mourn the loss of two Brethren so highly respected as citizens, and so much beloved and appreciated as good Masons, deserve more than a mere passing notice.

Bro. Parmele had for many years been identified with the mercantile interests of New Orleans, and during all that time zealously co-operated with, and was an active and useful member of our beloved Institution. He rendered valuable service to this Grand Lodge, for one term, as Grand Marshal; and still more valuable services to the Order, as a devoted friend of, and active participant in the noble labors of Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1.

Bro. Goodman, too, was a merchant, in this city, for some thirty-five years. As early as the 17th of December, 1828, he affiliated with Louisiana Lodge, No. 32, (now defunct), and from that time until his demise, on the eleventh day of November last, in this city, he was an active and devoted Mason. He was the first Master of Hermann Lodge, No. 62, and served faithfully for two years, as Grand Treasurer of this Grand Lodge.

Both these Brethren were exemplary Masons, good citizens, warm friends, kind neighbors, devoted husbands, affectionate and indulgent parents; and spent much of their time and money in the alleviation of suffering humanity. Theirs are examples worthy of our admiration and of our imitation. Therefore

*Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge has heard with profound regret of the death of our well beloved and deeply lamented Brethren, Past Grand Treasurer DANIEL GOODMAN and Past Grand Marshal FREDERICK F. PARMELE.

*Resolved*, That in their demise, the country has lost two good citizens, the poor, the fatherless, and the widow, two liberal and devoted friends, and Freemasonry two faithful and exemplary members.

*Resolved*, That while we thus deplore these, our losses, in the fullest sense, we extend the tenderest sympathy to the families and friends of these deceased Brethren.

*Resolved*, That the emblems in this Grand Lodge Room be clothed in mourning for the space of one year; and that the Grand Officers and Members of this Grand Lodge, wear the usual badge for the space of thirty days.

*Resolved*, That this report and these resolutions be spread upon the Journal of

this Grand Body, and a copy of the same be, by the Grand Secretary, transmitted to each family of the deceased.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. RACE,	}	<i>Committee.</i>
A. S. WASHBURN,		
JNO. E. S. HOUGH,		

NEW ORLEANS, February 20, 1859.

The Grand Secretary made a statement in behalf of St. James Lodge, No. 47, asking that said Lodge be exempted from the payment of dues for the year 1858, for eight members who were suspended by that Lodge on the 2d day of January, 1858, for non-payment of dues, and who would have been so dealt with at the regular meeting in December, 1857, but the Lodge failed to meet. After some desultory debate upon the request, on motion of Bro. DA SILVA, the following was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the sum of twenty-four dollars be donated to St. James Lodge, No. 47, being the amount of relief prayed for.

An application for Relief for MRS. ELIZABETH CLAY, widow of the late Curtis Clay, of Lodge No. 51, Philadelphia, Pa., was then read from Bro. Charles A. Lacoste, Past Grand Master of Mississippi, and on motion referred and recommended to Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1, for immediate action.

Bro. JOSEPH SANTINI, W. M. of Foyer Maçonnique Lodge, No. 44, submitted the following amendment to the Grand Lodge Constitution, which was rejected :

Art. 7, Sec. 3, of the Grand Lodge Constitution—the last sentence to read thus : “ *No brother can be elected Master of a Lodge unless he be proficient, and in every way qualified to fulfill the duties of the office;*” instead of as it now reads.



Bro. S. G. PARSONS, W. M. of Harry Hill Lodge, No. 134, offered the following, as an addition to the Regulations of the Grand Lodge, which was, on motion of Past Grand Master AMOS ADAMS, laid over until our next Annual Grand Communication :

*Resolved*, That after the present session, this Grand Lodge will pay the expenses actually incurred for the attendance of one Delegate from each of the subordinate Lodges, at its Annual Grand Communications.

Bro. S. P. SOLOMON, W. M. of Hiram Lodge, No. 70, offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted :

*Resolved*, That the appointment of Bro. John H. Holland, as Grand Translator, be continued during the present year, with the same salary he now receives.

On motion of Bro. J. W. PEARCE, W. M. of Gordy Lodge, No. 133, the sum of fifty dollars was appropriated to the Rev. C. S. HEDGES, Grand Chaplain.

Bro. CHAS. LAFFON submitted the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the M. W. Grand Master be authorized to appoint one or more delegates (at his discretion), to meet with such other delegates as may be appointed or sent by other Grand Lodges, to a Masonic Convention, to be held at Chicago, Illinois, in September next. And that said delegate or delegates, be instructed to confer with such other delegates from other Grand Lodges as may meet there, and report to this Grand Lodge at its next Annual Grand Communication, and that said delegate or delegates perform that duty free of any expense to this Grand Lodge.

After some debate on the above resolution it was adopted, on a call of Lodges, by the following vote :

YEAS—Todd, Risk, Crenshaw, Parsons, Nos. P. U. 1,

P. S. 1, 45, 47, 61, 65, 68, 75, 76, 78, 119, 120, 133, 134, 139, 145, 147, 148, 149, 153, 156—Total 67 votes.

NAYS—Norwood, Santini, Driver, Batchelor, Hough, Craig, Nos. L. DEL. O. 5, 44, 46, 53, 54, 57, 58, 59, 66, 77, 84, 98, 102, 103, 112, 113, 124, 127, 135, 142—Total, 66 votes.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master announced the following brethern, under the resolution just passed, as

Delegates to the Chicago Convention:

AMOS ADAMS, J. Q. A. FELLOWS, SAM'L G. RISK.

Bro. J. C. BATCHELOR, W. M. of Home Lodge, No. 142, offered the following resolution, which was lost:

*Resolved*, That the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars be appropriated to pay the expenses of any Delegate appointed to attend the Convention at Chicago in 1859, provided said Delegate be not paid by any other body.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master then announced the following

Committee on Foreign Correspondence:

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, AMOS ADAMS, EDW. BARNETT.

Bro. H. H. DENTZEL, of Marion Lodge, No. 68, submitted the following question, which was, on motion, referred to the Most Worshipful Grand Master to answer:

In what standing is a member or members of a Subordinate Lodge, who, for the character of the Lodge and the Masonic fraternity in general, bring charges against a member thereof for misconduct? Are those members, by virtue of being accusers, deprived of their vote on the trial of the accused or not?

Bro. J. Q. A. FELLOWS submitted the following amendment to the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge, which lies over:

Amend Sec. 2, Art. 1, Chap. 1, of the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge, so as to create a Fifth Standing Committee, to be styled the "*Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence*," and "*to be composed of seven members of the Grand Lodge.*"

BRO. SAMUEL G. RISK, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, or Grand Officers present, or their Substitutes, be authorized to examine, approve and sign the minutes of the proceedings of this meeting, after the close of the Grand Lodge.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master then announced the following committee, under the third resolution of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, adopted by the Grand Lodge. [See Appendix, page 105.]

Committee to Prepare the Masonic History of Louisiana:

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,      EDW. BARNETT,      SAM'L G. RISK.

No further business appearing, the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana was closed in AMPLE FORM—peace and harmony prevailing—until its next Annual Grand Communication, to be held at the Grand Lodge Hall, in the City of New Orleans, on MONDAY, THE 13TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1860.

[Signed]

SAMPL M. TODD, *Grand Master.*

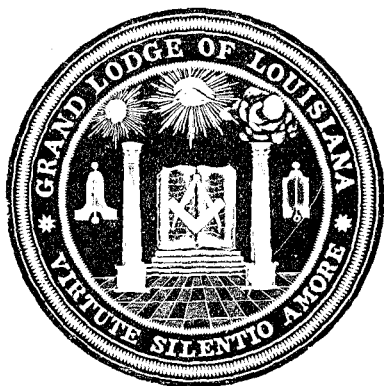
JOSEPH SANTINI, *Junior Grand Warden.*

SAMUEL G. RISK, *Grand Secretary.*

GRAND SECRETARY'S OFFICE,  
Of the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana. }

Grand Lodge Hall, corner of St. Charles and Perdido streets.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that the foregoing pages from No. 3 to 113, contain a true transcript of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, at its last Annual Grand Communication, held at the City of New Orleans, from the 14th to the 19th of February, 1859, inclusive.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed the Seal of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, together with my Official Signature, this Nineteenth day of February, A. D. 1859, A L. 5859.

ATTEST:

*Samuel G. Risk*  
Grand Secy.

N. B. All communications must be addressed to SAMUEL G. RISK, Grand Secretary, Box R, 48, Post Office, New Orleans, Louisiana.

# RETURNS OF CONSTITUENT LODGES.

## PERFECT UNION LODGE, NO. 1.

*Rampart st., Between Main and St. Philip sts., N. O.*

### OFFICERS.

Pitot, Jr., A.....	W M	Schreiber, A.....	Orator
DeBuys, O.....	S W	Forstall, C E.....	S D
Hopkins, J A.....	J W	Guyol, T.....	J D
Currell, C.....	Treasurer	Choppin, S.....	Inside Tyler
Laffon, C.....	Secretary	Raymond, C.....	Outside Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Augustin, D	Gardere, F	Musson, M
Baudouin, A A	Honold, C	Noblom, A P
Boudousquié, A	Laue, O	Nott, W A
Collignon, G	Leaumont, G	Peire, A A
DeBlanc, C	Lee, C S	Roman, A
Durel, J	Lewis, J L	Rousseau, L
Elliot, A F	Loening, F	St. Paul, H
Eustis, Geo	Martin, E	Voorhies, B P
Fortier, F	Montreuil, T	
Gaillard, O	McCall, E J	

Total--38.

*Raised*—C. Currell.

*Demitted*—A. Roman.

*Died*—T. Montreuil.

## POLAR STAR LODGE, NO. 1.

*Rampart, between Main and St. Philip sts., N. O.*

## OFFICERS.

Morel, A R.....	W M	Meilleur, Michel.....	Secretary
Claiborne, Chas.....	S W	Filleul, E.....	S D
Levasseur, Firmin.....	J W	Gentil, J.....	J D
Texier, A.....	Treasurer	Schwaner, Otto.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Deverges, Peter	Lay, Louis	Samory, Claude
Laffon, Chas	LaSere, Emile	St. Romes, E de
Lumsden, F A	Marigny, M	Tissot, J L
Lanaux, A P	Prados, Manuel	Tallarie, E A

Total—20.

*Initiated*—Emile LaSere. M. Marigny. Justin Fremeaux, (1857).*Passed*—E. Filleul. J. Gentil. Emile LaSere. M. Marigny. E. de St. Romes.*Raised*—E. Filleul. J. Gentil. Emile LaSere. M. Marigny. E. de St. Romes.

## CONCORDE LODGE, NO. 3.

*Rampart, between Main and St Philip streets, New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Nicomède, F L.....	W M	Letourneur, P A.....	Secretary
Gérard, H.....	S W	— — — — —	S D
De La Roche H.....	J W	— — — — —	J D
Bellow, L.....	Treasurer	— — — — —	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Biezanski, E	Esnard, M	Lalanne, P
Bertus, Victor	Hickok, D	Levy, H
Coudreau, A	*Huard, P H	Pietri, Roco
Diaz, J A	*Heunisch, C F	Seeleman, B

Total—17.

*Initiated*—H. Gumph.*Died*—B. Seeleman.*Reinstated*—L. Bellow. H. De La Roche. P. A. Letourneur.

## LOS AMIGOS DEL ORDEN LODGE, NO. 5.

*Rampart street, between Main and St. Philip streets, New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Garcia, Valerio.....	W M	Acebal, Jose.....	Secretary
Partegas, Antonio.....	S W	Nogueiras, Andres del Valle y.....	S D
Planellas, Jose .....	J W	Manent, Francisco.....	J D
Sitges, Marcos.....	Treasurer	Raymond, Chas (not a member)...	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Astrede, Antonio	Givona, y Juan Comas	Pace, Miguel
Bachino, Juan	Herrera, Domingo	Rovira, Antonio
Bagur, Pedro	Lucas, Bruno de	Rodriguez, Bernardo
Barros, Manuel	Leon, Manuel Garcia	Rico, Juan J
Barba, Fernando	Lux, Pedro	Romeo, Jose
Costa, Antonio	Lopez, Salvador M	Remendo, Pedro
Carrillo, Basilio	Martin, Angel	Salas y Pedro Prats
Caballero, Fernando	Mestier, Luis	Salduendo, Ramon
Calafat, Miguel	Machado, Luis	Torre, Antonio
Carreras, Pedro y	Mont, y Pedro Prats	Triay, Jaime
Dacosta, Francisco P	Montju, Antonio	Talazach, Luis
Falcon, Pascual B	Paris, Bernardo	Valls, Andres F
Fernandez, Bernardo	Pace, Cayetano	Villegas, Leon G
Grijalva, Candido G	Parra, Juan J	
Garcia, Salvador	Pace, Jose	Total—50.

*Initiated*—Antonio Astredo. Bernardo Fernandez. Manuel Barros. Pedro y Carreras. Juan Comas y Givona. Jose Pace. Bernardo Rodriguez. Pedro Remendo. Leoncio Figueras. Gabriel Prats.

*Passed*—Antonio Astredo. Bernardo Fernandez. Manuel Barros. Pedro y Carreras. Juan Comas y Givona. Jose Pace. Bernardo Rodriguez. Pedro Remendo.

*Raised*—Antonio Astredo. Bernardo Fernandez. Manuel Barros. Pedro y Carreras. Juan Comas y Givona. Jose Pace. Bernardo Rodriguez. Pedro Remendo.

*Demitted*—A. Costa. J. Triay. J. Romeo. P. P. y Mont.

*Died*—Angelo Costa (1857).

*Stricken from the Roll* (1857)—P. E. Campo. R. Lanuza.

*Expelled*—Juan Bachino (in 1858). A. De Lermos and M. De Gregorio (in '57).

*Reinstated*—Bernardo Paris. Domingo Herrera. Luis Machado.

## ST. ANDREW LODGE, NO. 5.\*

*Conti street, between Villeré and Robertson, New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Lamarre, J†	W M	Follenfant, A.	Secretary
Ternot, J B†	S W	Masquere, E†	S D
Anthoine, S	J W	Comment, F†	J D
Michon T†	Treasurer	Danty, E†	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Abadie, V†	Dufau, L	Lisbony, J
Adam, F†	Fabio, S G	Lorot, T
Antognini, B	Ferrand, P	Lusse, G†
Aubert, F	Fournier, L	Marchal, C†
Arèrous, S	Gourley, H	Marx, P†
Bérenger, C	Guyot, E	Mérano, C
Bergé, P†	Imoberdorf, A	Mizzi, J
Bernard, L	Juif, F	Nepper, A†
Boiron, J B	Kahn, S	Otto, F
Bontemps, J	Knabé, C	P'auche, A
Boudro, L	Laborde, B†	Pechin, G
Calac, J	Lacay, J	Randolph, J
Chantegrel, C	Lagrange, C†	Schwitzer, J
Chartiez, J	Lamarque, B	Schwitzer, C
Claret, E†	Larcade, B†	Topenot, F
Coulon, G D	Latérade, B	Tournier, N†
Dagoret, A	Lazare, P†	Voisin, A
Daliet, J†	Lecompte, A†	Winçon, J†
Dégro, H†	Lestrême, G	
Domere, F†	Levy, M	Total—66.

*Initiated*—F. Juif. P. Marx.† P. Cauhapé.† C. Desiré.† D. E. Loubet.†  
F. Ducrot. E. Grapin. J. M. Mattee. C. Mosoy. M. Portier.

*Passed*—H. Gourley. F. Juif. P. Marx.† P. Cauhapé.† C. Desiré.† D. E. Loubet.†

*Raised*—H. Gourley. F. Juif. P. Marx.†

*Affiliated*—L. Dufau.

*Demitted*—J. Chartiez. S. G. Fabio. E. Guyot. B. Lamarque. C. Mérano. G. Pechin.

*Suspended*—J. Lacay. J. Masson (E. A.).

\* These Returns are for the year 1856, which ought to have been made at our Annual Communication of 1857, but this Lodge withdrawing from our jurisdiction, no Returns were made. These are published now as a matter of future reference. This Lodge, I am pleased to say, has returned to our jurisdiction.

† The Brethren whose names are thus marked, having been regularly healed, are recommended as regular Masons to the Fraternal regard of all true Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, wheresoever dispersed throughout the Globe.—GRAND SECRETARY.



## HUMBLE COTTAGE LODGE, NO. 19.

*Opelousas, Parish of St. Landry, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Hebrard, P Leonce.....	W M	Pilate, Eugene.....	Secretary
Ray, James.....	S W	Mayo, Claudius.....	S D
Bauchamp, J J.....	J W	Ealer, Chas N.....	J D
Louailler, Alfred.....	Treasurer	Bodemüller, Hermann.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Ayrivie, Guillaume	Jubertie, Julien	Perault, A M
Bissinger, Frank P	Kaufman, Simon	Porter, J M
Couret, J L	Lewis, Thos H	Pollingue, J B
Carrière, Gerand	Lewis, Wm B	Quirk, Stephen W
Chretien, Hypolite	Lewis, H T	Reed, John
Debaillon, Evariste	Littell, H R	Salles, Bernard J
Delaruelle, J A	Macdonald, John	Schmidt, Batiste
Going, Aaron	Morrogh, John F	Thompson, James M
Hudson, John P	Mornhinveg, C	Wittingham, Morris
Hardy, Pliny D	Moore, James F	Total—37.

*Initiated.*—H. Bodemüller. Chas. N. Ealer. Simon Kaufman. H. R. Littell. J. M. Porter. A. B. Andrus. Salomon Firnberg. R. L. Bihn. Jas. A. Capps. Lucius Dupre. Wm. Elkins. Calvin A. Frazee. Orlando O. Foster. Francois L. Pitre. Wm. S. Reed. Louis Vanhille.

*Passed.*—H. Bodemüller. Chas. N. Ealer. Pliny D. Hardy. Simon Kaufman. H. R. Littell. Cladius Mayo. J. M. Porter. A. B. Andrus. Salomon Firnberg.

*Raised.*—H. Bodemüller. Hypolite Chretien. Chas. N. Ealer. Aaron Going. Pliny D. Hardy. Simon Kaufman. H. R. Littell. Cladius Mayo. J. M. Porter. J. B. Pollingue. James Ray. Batiste Schmidt.

*Affiliated.*—F. P. Bissinger. M. Wittingham.

*Demitted.*—Simon Kaufman. C. Mornhinveg.

*Died.*—Guillaume Ayrivie.

## ST. ALBANS LODGE, NO. 28.

*Jackson, East Feliciana, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Catlett, G W.....	W M	Kiblinger, E C.....	Secretary
Rogillio, W T.....	S W	Chapman, P C.....	S D
Comfort, C L.....	J W	Sullivan, L K.....	J D
Reinberg, H.....	Treasurer	Dunbar, S W.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brown, L W	Hart, A	Norwood, E S
Banton, R J	Hammer, R	Nesmith, S M
Ballard, A W	Heath, J T	Oppenheimer, M
Barkdull, J D	Hazard, A	Perkins, L G
Boyd, John	Hagaman, F V D	Ratliff, C H
Clark, Henry	Kennedy, R B	Rogillio, Julien
Dunn, W W	McKenna, A	Simpson, G W A
Dawson, W W	Miller, J C	Sullivan, F M
Dupree, J R	McVea, John	Sullivan, W
Donnally, J A	Munson, W W	Sullivan, P
East, John	Miller, A G	Thomas, S M
Faulkner, W F	McVea, Chas	Vaughan, R S
Gayle, J R	Meyer, A	Walden, C W H
Green, P E	Norwood, J F	Total—49.

*Initiated.*—C. L. Comfort. W. F. Faulkner. P. Sullivan. L. K. Sullivan.  
W. C. Matingly. W. B. Smith. H. J. Simmons.

*Passed.*—C. L. Comfort. W. F. Faulkner. P. Sullivan. L. K. Sullivan.  
W. C. Matingly. W. B. Smith.

*Raised.*—C. L. Comfort. W. F. Faulkner. P. Sullivan. L. K. Sullivan.

*Demitted.*—J. T. Heath. J. F. Norwood. E. S. Norwood. L. G. Perkins.  
Julien Rogillio.

*Died.*—J. R. Dupree. S. M. Nesmith.

*Stricken from the Roll.*—R. J. Banton. A. W. Ballard. J. A. Donnally. R.  
B. Kennedy. John McVea. S. M. Thomas.

## FELICIANA LODGE, NO. 31.

*St. Francisville, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Brewer, L D.....	W M	Scott, Jas A.....	Secretary
Hofman, Chas .....	S W	Spear, J W.....	S D
Powell, S J.....	J W	Robinson, J W.....	J D
Stoer, Chas .....	Treasurer	Leak, F V.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Barkdull, Jesse	Hale, Rob't	Maddox, L T
Barron, R H	Hale, Jas	McLoughlin, D L
Barron, J J	Harper, J P	Meyer, J J
Barbry, James	Hearsey, Wm	Miller, G M
Beathney, Thos	Helveston, T	Nibling, Jno M
Burgess, L A	Henshaw, J H	Parr, Samuel
Chase, O W	Hillen, J W	Raby, Jas R
Carmena, Jos	Hosea, C E	Randolph, P
Davis, Jesse	Johnson, L B	Stocking, D L
Day, L P	Jones, D W C	Stirling, J L
Donnoly, R N	Leake, W W	Town, Wm
Dye, A J	Levy, A	Vaughan, V
Fort, W J	Muse, P K	Vanderslice, H H
Fischer, A	Maynard, J N	Wooster, J S

Total—50.

*Raised*—A. J. Dye. G. M. Miller.*Demitted*—J. J. Barron. J. W. Robinson.*Suspended*—H. H. Vanderslice.

## PHOENIX LODGE, NO. 38.

*Natchitoches, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Smith, John B.....	W M	Payne, Wm.....	Secretary
Hunter, Thomas.....	S W	_____	S D
Metoyer, Felix.....	J W	_____	J D
Vienne, Francois.....	Treasurer	Stimpson, T J .....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Boultt, D H	Hughes, R F	Stephens, J H
Breda, J P	Hamlin, Charles	Smith, Jeremiah
Bullit, B W	Kile, S W	Schuman, T
Capmartin, Oran	Morse, P A	Smith, Jno Benj
Chaplin, C Jr	Miles, L J	Turner, Dan'l
Caspari, Leopold	McDonald, J E	Williams, F
Cockfield, E J	Marcy, Louis	Williams, J R
De Russey, T E	Martin, W A	Wolfson, J A
Davis, Nath'l	Morrow, W P	Walmsley, L R
Grimmer, John	Martin, J J	Williams, D S G
Hyams, S M	Ponder, W A	Walmsley, C L
Harrison, A E	Perini, A	Wakefield, T
Hamilton, W J	Stimpson, E S	West, John R
Holloway, G W	St Amans, Bouvard	Total—47.

*Initiated*—Felix Metoyer. A. Perini. J. R. West. A. Leneveé. G. W. McDonald.*Passed*—Felix Metoyer A. Perini. John R. West.*Raised*—B. W. Bullit. Felix Metoyer. A. Perini. John Benj. Smith. John R. West.*Affiliated*—L. Caspari. E. J. Cockfield. J. J. Martin.*Demitted*—W. A. Martin.*Died*—L. R. Walmsley.*Suspended*—S. B. Cocheron, (F. C.)*Reinstated*—T. E. De Russey.

## FOYER MAÇONNIQUE LODGE, NO. 44.

*Rampart, between Main and St. Philip streets. New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Santini, Joseph.....	W M	Chiffelle, F G .....	Secretary
Fondard, J M F.....	S W	Zurn, Paul.....	S D
Gueble, F.....	J W	Mueller, J L.....	J D
Stella, J M.....	Treasurer	Brugier, P.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Amodeo, N	Geismard, Léon	Mettler, Martin
Abell, Ed	Gery, L F	Monie, J B
Ammon, Otto Alois von	Gast, D	Marinoni, U
Benedict, A	Giuranovitz, M	Nata, Joseph
Blanc, Evariste	Hywer, G A	Noullet, L
Bompet, M	Hearing, G	Nocenti, Jean
Barnes, Joseph	Hernandez, J M	Papini, C
Ceccanti, Angelo	Ittmann, G B	Peltier, J C
Capdeau, J P	Johnson, —	Pain, H J B
Constantini, F	Kathmann, James	Rivas, F
Compolo, V	Kuntzmann, John	Scooler, M
Cantoni, M	Llado, Joseph	Sbisa, A
Chambers, W H	Lasansky, F	Sheppard, W H
Cardona, B	Levy, Samuel	Steiner, A
Drez A	Leveque, Pierre	Terzuli, A
Delamare A	Lefevre, F	Thaon, Jean
Dauphin, C F G	Macera, B	Vegas, Jean
Fick, Frederick	Masich, Pierre	Verde, Louis
Fehrenbach, M	Moses, Gustave	Weiss, John
Guillebeau, Louis	Merano, E	Woeste, Rodolf

Total—68.

*Initiated*—O. A. von Ammon. B. Cardona. C. F. G. Dauphin. F. Fick. M. Fehrenbach. F. Gueble. P. Leveque. F. Lefevre. M. Mettler. J. L. Mueller. J. B. Monie. U. Marinoni. A. Steiner. Rodolf Woeste. Paul Zurn. Léon Blum. P. Brugier, Jr. A. Gherardi. T. A. Keller. A. Meyer. Prosper Reber. D. M. Stella.

*Passed*—O. A. von Ammon. M. Bompet. B. Cardona. C. F. G. Dauphin. F. Fick. M. Fehrenbach. L. F. Gery. D. Gast. F. Gueble. John Kuntzmann. P. Leveque. F. Lefevre. Gustave Moses. M. Mettler. J. L. Mueller. J. B. Monie. U. Marinoni. L. Noullet. J. C. Peltier. A. Steiner. John Weiss. Rodolf Woeste. Paul Zurn. H. Anthoine.

*Raised*—O. A. von Ammon. M. Bompet. B. Cardona. C. F. G. Dauphin. F.

Fick. M. Fehrenbach. L. F. Gery. D. Gast. F. Gueble. John Kuntzmann.  
 P. Leveque. F. Lefevre. Gustave Moses. M. Mettler. J. L. Mueller. J. B.  
 Monie. U. Marinoni. L. Noullet. J. C. Peltier. A. Steiner. John Weiss.  
 Rodolf Woeste. Paul Zurn.

*Affiliated*—F. G. Chiffelle. W. H. Chambers. M. Giuranovitz. H. J. B. Pain.

*Demitted*—E. Abell. B. Cardona. M. Giuranovitz. B. Macera. M. Marx (E. A.)  
 E. Merano. M. Scooler. L. Verde.

*Died*—A. Delamare. A. Terzula.

*Stricken from the Roll*—Joseph Barnes. J. P. Capdeau. V. Compolo. L. Guille-  
 beau. J. Kathmann.

*Expelled*—Angelo Ceccanti.

*Reinstated*—L. Guillebeau. J. Kathmann.

## JACKSON LODGE, NO. 45.

*Greenwood, Caddo Parish, Louisiana.*

### OFFICERS.

Flournoy, A Sr .....	W M	McRady, J A .....	Secretary
Whitworth, J D .....	S W	Parsons, S H .....	S D
Baugh, E H .....	J W	Rudd, J B .....	J D
Flournoy, A Jr .....	Treasurer	Roth, Michael .....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Bayless, W H	Hooks D I	Pollard, H A
Bray, James	Head, W N	Reaves, J W
Coleman, E M	Jones, V H	Smith, T W
Cates, E J S	Jenkins, J D	Watts, H
Daniel, John	Lafoy, M E	Wilson, T D
Flournoy, Als	Metcalf, V D	Waddill, Daniel
Ford, J M	Miller, G W	Waddill, T D
Flournoy, Silas	Pegram, W A	Williams, E D
Geter, J A	Pollard, W	Wall, J G
		Total—35.

*Initiated*—James Bray. John Daniel. Silas Flournoy. G. W. Miller. J. B.  
 Rudd. J. P. Bridges. H. W. Rhodes. R. F. P. Goodjoin. Samuel J. Hawkins.

*Passed*—James Bray. John Daniel. Silas Flournoy. G. W. Miller. S. H.  
 Parsons. J. B. Rudd. J. P. Bridges. H. W. Rhodes.

*Raised*—James Bray. John Daniel. Silas Flournoy. G. W. Miller. S. H.  
 Parsons. J. B. Rudd.

*Affiliated*—Als Flournoy. J. A. Geter. W. N. Head. T. W. Smith. J. G. Wall.

*Demitted*—J. W. Reaves. T. D. Wilson. Daniel Waddill. T. D. Waddill.

*Died*—James D. Jenkins.

## GERMANIA LODGE, NO. 46.

*St Louis st., near Claiborne, New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Jensen, Peter.....	W M	Huber, J M.....	Secretary
Wild, John.....	S W	Goldstein, Alex.....	S D
Kersten, Wm.....	J W	Aufenkolk, Frank.....	J D
Eichholz, F O.....	Treasurer	Drøge, N.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Abry, John G	Goldman, H	Reutter, Jno E
Abels, John H	Gerdes, A	Rees, Charles
Asche, Christian	Hatry, Theodore	Szubilsky, H
Berger, Ernest	Hille, H	Schwarz, J J
Bekmann, E	Heilbrunner, D	Springer, L
Baaden, John	Jacobs, Sam'l	Stich, Isidore
Brüen, A	Koch, E	Simon, Martin
Delfs, Frank	Kramer, Wm	Stonne, W A
Dörhauer, Aug	Kattmann, John	Stein, C M
Dehmel, Wm	Kaiser, J L	Vollrath, Henry
Fulda, Julius	Keilner, J F	Weber, S
Frederich, J	Lippe, J N	Wellhausen, H
Frank, A	Lanz, Jacob	Wild, J F
Flamang, N	Mayer, J F	Wild, Chr
Fürbringer, Wm	Michelfelder, M	Winkelmann, A
Fluer, W C	Mittendorf, Jno	Weber, J G
Gerlach, John	Otto, J N	Worms, N
Gottschalk, Chris	Oppenheim, L	Wunderlich, E G
Gottschalk, Chas	Philips, Alex	Total—64.

*Initiated*—F. Aufenkolk. Wm. Dehmel. W. A. Stonne. H. A. Boke. C. F. Growby. A. Guyol. M. Heilbrunn. K. Kœrenzig. Lorenz Wachter. E. Behrend. J. B. Boh. M. Hock. E. Klote. J. C. Werner.

*Passed*—F. Aufenkolk. Wm. Dehmel. W. A. Stonne. H. A. Boke. C. F. Growby. A. Guyol. M. Heilbrunn. K. Kœrensigg. Lorenz Wachter.

*Raised*—F. Aufenkolk. E. Bekmann. Wm. Dehmel. A. Gerdes. J. F. Kellner. W. A. Stonne. Chr. Wild.

*Affiliated*—H. Vollrath.

*Demitted*—Chris. Gottschalk. Sam'l Jacobs. W. A. Stonne.

*Died*—H. Hille. C. F. Growby (r. c.).

*Stricken from the Roll*—E. Berger. N. Worms.

*Reinstated*—J. F. Mayer.

## ST. JAMES LODGE, NO. 47.

*Baton Rouge, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Day, Rich H.....	W M	Dufrocq John R.....	Secretary
Blanchard, S F.....	S W	Hart, S M.....	S D
Fullshire, Amos.....	J W	McCutcheon, J M.....	J D
Pike, Wm S.....	Treasurer	Reeder, W G.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Adams, Amos	Lallier, F C	Richard, J
Alexander, A	Lanoue, E	Richard, F
Burk, R H	Lanoue, J C	Repp, J D
Bradford, A	Marks, S M	Seymour, J W
Buffington, T J	McGimsey, J W P	Sheppers, A
Bogel, Edward	Morgan, J S	Sharp, Wm J
Briant, G P	Mann, W D	Stephens, B
Crenshaw, W H	McHatton, R E	Stuart, R S
Dunn, A M	McHatton, J A	Stuart, J D
Elam, Jas E	Morgan, P H	Turner, Jas
Fay, Timothy	McMain, J W	Taylor, J C
Goldman, T	Morgan, T G	Tunnard, Wm F
Howell, H N	McCormick, Jas	Thorpe, T B
Holt, Jordan	Oladowsky, H	Violet, J L
Huguet, John	Perillat, F	Vail, A B
Huguet, J S	Pike, G A	Williams, J A
Herron, A S	Penny, D H	Williams, J M
Harney, B F	Piker, C F	Washington, J G
Hubbs, Wm	Provost, F A	Waddill, H T
Isett, S L	Regan, A	Wilson, A
Jones, Henry		Total—69.

*Initiated*—Felix Brunet. S. B. Harbour. H. J. Puckett. Henry Gentles.*Passed*—Amos Fullshire. C. F. Piker. J. B. Dunn.*Raised*—Amos Fullshire. C. F. Piker.*Demitted*—G. P. Briant. T. Goldman. John Huguet. P. H. Morgan.  
W. F. Tunnard.*Died*—L. F. Blanchard. B. F. Harney.*Stricken from the Roll*—G. P. Briant. Wm. Hubb. J. A. McHatton. J. W.  
McMain. D. H. Penny. F. A. Provost. P. H. Morgan. T. B. Thorpe.*Reinstated*—G. P. Briant. P. H. Morgan.



## PROVIDENCE LODGE, NO. 50.

*Lake Providence, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Willson, Geo G.....	W M	Kent, Isaac N.....	Secretary
Campbell, R N.....	S W	Lyons, W R C.....	S D
Roberts, Isaac F.....	J W	Griffith, Thos.....	J D
Strasner, Frank.....	Treasurer	Richard, Amie .....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Elliott, J B	Mims, E F	Short, Hugh	
Goodrich, F M	Mathews, Ezra	Shumard, J J	
Green, A W	McCrimmon, G W	Strahle, Fred'k	
Harris, Eli	McNeil, A J	Salem, Godfrey	
Hillman, H	Pride, James	Scott, Robt	
Larche, S A	Quays, P D	Tozier, Wm	
Lachs, S W	Simms, R C	Wade, L T	
McAuley, S	Sharp, T A	Wade, D B	Total—32.

*Initiated*—Frank Strasner.*Passed*—Frank Strasner.*Raised*—Frank Strasner.*Died*—P. D. Quays.*Reinstated*—E. F. Mims. Ezra Mathews. Fred'k Strahle. Wm. Tozier.

## MINDEN LODGE, NO. 51.

*Minden, Claiborne Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Lee, Wm.....	W M	Landsberg, A.....	Secretary
Ratliffe, H.....	S W	Williams, E B.....	S D
Berry, J W .....	J W	Guerin, J P.....	J D
Harper, J D.....	Treasuer	Allen, S S.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brown, J H	Evans, J R	Martin, N M
Bates, P P	Everitt, G W	Miller, M
Black, W F	Franks, W L	Miller, M W
Burson, E G	Fleming, S	Moreland, T
Buys, J G	Gillecoatte, W G	Monzingo, S
Bates, C C	Gassaway, T J	Nickerson, E T
Chaffe, Chas	Gilbert, J J	Nickerson, J W
Clinton, H G	Hodges, J L	Oliver, J N
Clinton, S R	Hodges, R	Parmenter, H B
Camp, A G	Hunter, J C T	Pressnall, J
Crawford, W W	Jones, Joslin	Smith, J B
Clinton, J A	Kelly, W A	Sledge, J M
Carter, J J	Lee, L T	Sligh, G B
Davis, W C	Lee, J B	Sandelin, J H
Dickey, W C	Langhorne, M	Smith, M C
Dennard, J	Lane, J G	Turner, C M
Doyle, J M	McFarland, D	Williams, Simeon
Deck, B P	McFarland, H	Williams, E G
	McPanton, J C	Total—68.

*Initiated.*—S. Monzingo. E. G. Williams. J. N. Bryant. B. F. Fuller.  
J. T. Bryant. J. N. Carter. Berry Joelson.

*Passed.*—J. C. T. Hunter. S. Monzingo. M. C. Smith. E. G. Williams.  
J. N. Bryant. B. F. Fuller.

*Raised.*—B. P. Deck. J. C. F. Hunter. S. Monzingo. M. C. Smith.  
E. G. Williams.

*Affiliated.*—J. J. Carter. G. W. Everitt.

*Demitted.*—W. W. Crawford. W. C. Davis. W. G. Gillecoatte. M. Lang-  
horne. G. B. Sligh. J. H. Sandelin. C. M. Turner.

*Demitted in 1857.*—Cyrus Peed. Tandy Pate. Jos. T. Smith. W. S. Turner.  
Ambrose Ward.

## OLIVE LODGE, NO. 52.

*Clinton, Parish of Feliciana, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Munday, G W .....	W M	D'Armond, J G.....	Secretary
Chapman, L G.....	S W	Bishop, T W.....	S D
Hardee, D C.....	J W	Packwood, G H .....	J D
Kahn, S.....	Treasurer	Ross, E .....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Adams, Thos	Fawver, W N	Myers, Wm
Booker, Wm	Gayle, W D	Montgomery, J R
Brown, Irvine	Gayle, C O	Monahan, J P
Barton, Robt	Haynes, Bythell	Nesom, James
Brown, J P	Harvey, F R	Norwood, D C
Butterly, T J	Haney, P J	Pipes, A S
Bloom, Solomon	Hall, S J	Reese, G W
Barnes, E W	Higginbotham, J	Robbins, T W
Beechens, H S	Hatchell, B B`	Rogers, S T
Brown, R S	Heitzler, John	Rounsaville, D W
Barnett, Joel	Harrison, John	Sadler, Wm
Bowman, C D	Jordan, W M	Smith, Jas B
Bennett, Thos	Knight, N A	Stokes, E C
Chapman, W W	Kernan, W F	Seals, L J
Cobb, W H	Killbourne, J G	Tubbeville, Richard
Castello, J J	Latham, G A	Vanwycke, Jno C
Craig, J M	Lusk, John	Wood, John
Delee, A W	Lewis, H T	Wall, Isaac
Dreher, R J	Love John H	Whitley, P J
Eddard, O G	McGhee, T L	Womack, A M
Edwards, G W	Myers, J H	Worms, A
East, T L	McGuffy, H	Worsham, N J W
Frank, M	Meyer, Moses	Walker, Wm E

Total—77.

*Initiated*—Thos. L. East. John H. Love. G. H. Packwood. D. W. Rounsaville. N. J. W. Wortham. Wm. E. Walker (1849). Chas. Shultz. T. B. Brown. James Barnett, Jr. A. F. Currie. J. J. Covert. A. G. Cobb. S. J. Chance. J. F. Felps. F. R. Felps. J. F. George. W. H. Green. W. B. Sessions. J. M. Young.

*Passed*—J. M. Craig. Thos. L. East. John H. Love. G. H. Packwood. D. W. Rounsaville. N. J. W. Worsham. Wm. E. Walker (1849). Chas. Shultz.

*Raised*—J. M. Craig. R. J. Dreher. Thos. L. East. Jno. H. Love. G. H. Packwood. D. W. Rounsaville. N. J. W. Wortham. Wm. E. Walker (1849).

*Affiliated*—L. G. Chapman. D. C. Hardee. H. T. Lewis. J. P. Monahan. J. C. Vanwycke.

*Demitted*—Robert Barton. Thomas Bennett. John Lusk. H. T. Lewis. Ried'd. Tubbeville.

*Died*—H. S. Beechens. John Harrison.

*Reinstated*—C. D. Bowman. Thos. Bennett. John Harrison.

## UNION FRATERNAL LODGE, NO. 53.

*Farmersville, Union Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Regenburg, Hy.....	W M	Smith, Wm C.....	Secretary
Barrett, J L.....	S W	Rowland, L F.....	S D
McFarland, W A.....	J W	Betterton, N .....	J D
Carson, M S.....	Treasurer	Granger, A H .....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Auld, J A	Dillard, B F	Morison, D C
Anders, John	Findley, T J	Nyegaard, J C L
Arent, David	Farrar, J S J	Odom, P
Barton, C T	Findley, T B	Pearson, James
Bird, V I	Gilbert, W T	Robinson, J B
Bilberry, E B	Glasson, W A	Raney, W J
Bilberry, J G	Honeycutt, A	Rabun, R F
Bransford, J A	Hall, W C	Shlenker, Alex
Carson, J H	Ham, H H	Taylor, J G
Carson, W H	Kolb, J G	Windes, E B
Culbertson, W H	March, H	Ward, E H
Carr, Allen	McGough, W S	Total—43.

*Initiated*—A. J. Findley. James Pearson. R. F. Rabun.

*Passed*—A. J. Findley. P. Odom. James Pearson. R. F. Rabun.

*Raised*—A. J. Findley. P. Odom. James Pearson. R. F. Rabun.

*Affiliated*—A. Honeycutt. L. F. Rowland.

*Demitted*—Jas. E. Lee (1854). T. Willhite (1854). B. F. Farmer (1855).  
C. T. Barton. H. March. Alex. Shlenker.

*Died*—J. S. J. Farrar.

*Suspended*—W. A. Glasson.

## MOUNT GERIZIM LODGE, NO. 54.

*Bastrop, Morehouse Parish, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Brice, J M.....	W M	McMurtry, W L.....	Secretary
Traylor, J H.....	S W	Davenport, F J.....	S D
Hough, J E S.....	J W	Smith, B W.....	J D
Sharp, G D.....	Treasurer	Tisdale, G F.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Alford, Warren	Jones, J L	Sisson, J E
Boyd, Joseph	Jelks, G W	Smith, N
Cherry, A W	Jones, R H	Stinson, J B
Carson, R A	Klady, R E	Smith, Daniel
Davenport, A S	Livingston, Aaron	Stevenson, R W
Dean, Robert	McKain, John	Toler, P H
Dyer, Wm	Montgomery, J T	Vick, V C
Doby, H K	McKay, T J	Webb, J M
Davis, J L	McGowen, J E	Westmoreland, J W
Hendrick, R C	Newton, D	Wadlington, W H
Humbert, G J	Robertson, J V	Williams, J R
Harper, A D	Ryan, P M	Whittington, W R

Total—44.

*Initiated*—B. W. Smith.*Passed*—G. J. Humbert. B. W. Smith.*Raised*—G. J. Humbert. B. W. Smith.*Affiliated*—R. A. Carson. J. L. Jones. R. E. Klady. J. B. Stinson. P. H. Toler. J. H. Traylor.*Demitted*—Robert Dean. Wm. Dyer. J. L. Davis. P. M. Ryan. P. H. Toler. J. M. Webb. J. R. Williams. W. R. Whittington.*Died*—A. W. Cherry. J. V. Robertson. N. Smith.*Stricken from the Roll*—J. W. Westmoreland. W. H. Wadlington.

## DE SOTO LODGE, NO. 55.

*Mansfield, De Soto Parish, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Sutherland, John H.....	W M	Eastham, John H.....	Secretary
Phifer, Silas.....	S W	Snider, Gilderoy.....	S D
Pegues, Samuel L.....	J W	Buchanan, M G.....	J D
Jackson, J S.....	Treasurer	Herren, W F.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Abington, T W	Fortson, E H	Shurlock, J F
Arrington, J M N	Gibson, W T	Steele, J G
Burns, G C	Gibbs, C W	Sutherland, G H
Barker, B P	Johns, Abel	Sheppard, J <sup>H</sup>
Brown, Israel	Jackson, W R	Sloane, Hamilton
Betts, E G	Jeffries, T D	Sutherland, N A
Bailey, W B	Laird, D J	Shelley, W H
Brodnax, T W	Lewis, Martin	Smith, Wm
Carroll, A O	Matthews, P H	Terrell, W H
Coursey, C W	Newton, C E	Tibbets, C D
Davis, Wm J	Nall, J P	Williams, T J
Dear, H P	Phillips, H J	Wiley, T J
Dillard, J H	Rucker, Burton	West, S L
Eherman, Z D	Stewart, James	Yarbrough, J J
Flenniken, M D	Scales, T C	Total—52.

*Initiated*—T. W. Abington. W. B. Bailey. H. P. Dear. M. D. Flenniken.  
J. F. Shurlock. Wm. Smith. C. D. Tibbets. T. J. Williams. T. J. Wiley.  
J. J. Yarbrough. B. F. Jackson.

*Passed*—T. W. Abington. W. B. Bailey. H. P. Dear. M. D. Flenniken.  
J. F. Shurlock. Wm. Smith. C. D. Tibbets. T. J. Williams. T. J. Wiley.  
J. J. Yarbrough. B. F. Jackson.

*Raised*—T. W. Abington. W. B. Bailey. H. P. Dear. M. D. Flenniken.  
J. F. Shurlock. Wm. Smith. C. D. Tibbets. T. J. Williams. T. J. Wiley.  
J. J. Yarbrough.

*Affiliated*—E. G. Betts. E. H. Fortson. C. W. Gibbs. P. H. Matthews.  
H. Sloane. W. H. Terrell. S. L. West.

*Demitted*—T. W. Abington. J. P. Nall.

*Suspended*—W. H. Shelley.

## LAFAYETTE LODGE, NO. 56.

*Vernon, Jackson Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Jones, John C.....	W M	Ryan, Joseph R.....	Secretary
Trask, Stetson .....	S W	Smith, Alex.....	S D
Herlong, C A C.....	J W	Pool, W A.....	J D
Lewis, Wm .....	Treasurer	Everett, R B .....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Ashley, M W	Hart, S E	Prestridge, J J
Brantley, B F	Hargrove, J M	Pratt, H
Barr, J R	Hargrove, R M	Perry, J P
Barnes, Wm	Hamilton, F	Pierson, J C
Bryan, W A	Jamison, H	Rogers, M
Butler, C Q	Johnson, M	Randle, J G
Burn, J P	Kidd, M B	Robinson, J
Caver, S R	Kennedy, J A	Stell, J W
Cullin, B	Kennedy, D H	Snipes, R P
Cook, Robert	King, P G	Sewell, A C
Coon, J A	Murphy, Wm	Upchurch, Thos
Dufrese, B	McDonald, W B	Weekes, W S
Embry, J M	Miles, J A	Williams, W
Erranton, J M	McLeroy, T W	Womack, Abe
Graves, B B	McVickers, D	Wilson, T F
Glass, Thos	Morris, J M	Weekes, J C Total—56.

*Initiated*—F. Hamilton. J. M. Smith.*Passed*—F. Hamilton.*Raised*—F. Hamilton. W. A. Pool. J. Robinson.*Affiliated*—R. M. Hargrove. J. C. Pierson.*Demitted*—J. M. Morris. H. Pratt. J. G. Randle.*Died*—M. W. Ashley. A. C. Sewell.

*Stricken from the Roll*—W. A. Bryan. J. P. Burn. S. R. Caver. B. Cullin.  
 Robert Cook. J. M. Erranton. Thos. Glass. M. Johnson. P. G. King. R. P.  
 Snipes. W. S. Weekes. J. C. Weekes. W. Williams.

## FRANKLIN LODGE, NO. 57.

*Franklin, Parish of St. Mary, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Gordy, J C.....	W M	Smith, C M.....	Secretary
Smith, H H.....	S W	Hatcher, R.....	S D
Tucker, A L.....	J W	Furlong, J P.....	J D
McKerrall, Wilson .....	Treasurer	Wilson, H C.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allen, S	Henderson, J P	Palfrey, F C
Allen, Elihu	Howle, E	Pumphrey, Wm
Carey, W S	Hungerford, W	Richardson, F D
Curtis, L R	Hudgens, H H	Read, R H
Constant, E D	Heaton, A	Roane, S B
Findlay, John	Harding, L	Smith, Charles
Fuller, E W	Lacy, J E	Smith, W C
Fontaine, J T	Matthews, W H	Smith, J A
Gadsbury, T	Millard, N P	Smoot, B F
Garrett, M A	McKerrall, Watson	Saunders, E E
Gordy, M T	Mestier, E	Stanard, H C
Godchaux, D	Mayer, M	Steinsmitz, A
Hawkins, J T	Olivier, A	Tucot, Martin
		Total—47.

*Initiated*—J. P. Furlong. E. Mestier. M. Mayer. F. C. Palfrey. A. Steinsmitz. A. L. Tucker. J. V. Tommy.

*Passed*—J. P. Furlong. L. Harding. E. Mestier. M. Mayer. F. C. Palfrey. A. Steinsmitz. A. L. Tucker. J. V. Tommy. W. T. Palfrey.

*Raised*—J. P. Furlong. L. Harding. E. Mestier. M. Mayer. F. C. Palfrey. A. Steinsmitz. A. L. Tucker.

*Demitted* (in 1857)—Wm. Bogel. Isaac Levy.

*Stricken from the Roll*—W. S. Carey. John Findlay. E. Howle. A. Heaton. W. H. Matthews. Wm. Pumphrey. S. B. Roane. Charles Smith.



## FRIENDS OF HARMONY LODGE, NO. 58.

*Grand Lodge, Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts., New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Harby, Sam'l .....	W M	De Sola, A .....	Secretary
Clark, J H .....	S W	De Castro, J O .....	S D
Kells, C E .....	J W	Royal, Chas .....	J D
Williams, Henry .....	Treasurer	Trelford, W .....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Adler, E	Gomila, John	Moore, D
Burk, R S	Gay, Stephen	McKenna, James
Bradsted, C D S	Gomila, M J	Moschzisker, F A von
Bates, J G	Gomperts, G S	Myers, John
Bowers, Lewis	Gainsburgh, J B	Nathan, Sam'l
Balch, A L	Hart, F W	Ochiglevich, John
Booth, Edward	Hiller, A	O'Grady, J H
Brennan, John	Holland, J H	Ogelvie, Chas
Bowditch, G B	Hernandez, A	Pigniola, J B
Baxter, D C	Hyland, L	Patton, F
Bowden, Arthur	Howes, Robt	Rickert, F
Charier, A	Holland, W H	Rhoades, Rich'd
Cognovich, A	Hiley, T R	Stevenson, W W
Coburn, Robt	Jorda, Thos	Solomon, L J
Carlin, James	Johnson, John	Smith, T R
Cortissoz, A J	Kean, R W	Smith, R D
Carter, Henry	Keaghey, R S	Shonfeldt, S
De la Cruz, R	Kraft, F A	Smith, J C
Davis, James	King, George	Selby, James
Dean, John	Longfield, Thos	Semmons, J H
Dias, A H L	Leech, Jos	Silva, B da
Forshee, Peter	Lang, E	Trelford, A
Fielding, Thos	Laurent, A P	Trelford, W J
Fowler, John	Leja, H V	Thisted, N P
Fendler, E	Lockwood, J B	Thomas, John
Gowan, G B	Mineri, G	Turner, Robt
Goslenski, G	McQuoid, James	Thackeray, Rich'd
Gale, James	Mayer, Leon	Wilner, J C
Gilmore, J S	Moody, Robt	Wallace, James
Gracey, R B	Moore, Wm	Williamson, A
Gedeon, Joseph	Morphy, James	Wilbur, Louis
Gardenghi, Lucas	McDonald, D B	Young, Christian
Goudie, G T	Marks, H	Young, C J
		Total—107

*Initiated*.—E. Adler. G. B. Bowditch. Henry Carter. Lucas Gardenghi. Stephen Gay. M. J. Gomila. J. B. Gainsburgh. T. R. Hiley. John Johnson. James McKenna. F. A. von Moschzisker. Louis Wilbur. C. Wheeler. C. Brux. J. H. Honsen. L. Schwartz. S. Wickert. Thos. Waters.

*Passed*.—E. Adler. G. B. Bowditch. Henry Carter. Lucas Gardenghi. Stephen Gay. M. J. Gomila. G. S. Gomperts. J. B. Gainsburgh. T. R. Hiley. John Johnson. F. A. Kraft. Geo. King. James McKenna. F. A. von Moschzisker. Louis Wilbur. C. Wheeler.

*Raised*.—E. Adler. G. B. Bowditch. Henry Carter. J. S. Gilmore. Lucas Gardenghi. Stephen Gay. M. J. Gomila. G. S. Gomperts. J. B. Gainsburgh. T. R. Hiley. John Johnson. F. A. Kraft. Geo. King. James McKenna. F. A. von Moschzisker. Louis Wilbur.

*Affiliated*.—D. C. Baxter. John Myers.

*Demitted*.—A. L. Balch. Jas. Carlin. A. Hiller. Geo. King. D. Moore. J. B. Pignolo. S. Shonfeldt. Jas. Wallace.

*Died*.—D. C. Baxter. J. Johnson. D. B. McDonald. Jas. McKenna.

*Stricken from the Roll*.—T. Longfield. J. Morphy. Jas. Selby. C. J. Young.

## MOUNT MORIAH LODGE, NO. 59.

*Odd Fellows' Hall, corner Camp and Lafayette sts., New Orleans.*

### OFFICERS.

Watts, J T.....	W M	Furneau, Jas.....	Secretary
Sanford, T.....	S W	Hibbin, Jas.....	S D
Hackney, N J.....	J W	Ingraham, Frank.....	J D
McCulloch, W.....	Treasurer	Doug'as, John.....	M C
Monsen, P.....		Tyler.	

### MEMBERS.

Anderson, John	Graham, George	Pasley, John
Ahern, D J	Gliddon, W A	Pendleton, W E
Brown, Robert	Gliddon, H A	Purvis, George
Bier, Henry	Guthiem, J K	Pooley, J C
Baldry, S	Gubernator, J L	Pray, A A
Batson, W N	Gagnet, L	Phillips, W B
Baldwin, J T	Gilmore, W T	Powers, James
Boulware, A	Gilmore, J B	Porter, T K
Boole, T	Garnet, Emile	Rose, J C
Benson, George	Gilman, S H	Race, G W

Bebee, D	Graw, A	Reese, W F
Boyle, J W	Harris, J L	Reed, J W
Bensadon, Jos	Hunly, H L	Rutherford, C M
Behan, J H	Haner, H	Richards, W T
Booth, J	Howell, J M	Rollins, A
Barrera, A	Hodgkins, W F	Ross, E M
Bonzano, H	Hawes, Samuel	Roquest, E H
Brewer, T F	Hobson, John	Roberts, W C
Bleyman, C	Heron, A C	Roberts, A C
Black, J W	Hans, M	Redding, W E
Byington, F	Hill, W P	Rutherford, G V
Barlow, H M	Hatch, F H	Rogers, C J
Bragg, T F	Hildreth, J A	Rosenfield, L
Bennett, B T K	Jacobs, E	Ranney, H H
Bauduc, F J	Jackson, A O	St. Levy, James
Blakeney, W	Jones, A	Stanley, H H
Bidwell, H	James, W A	Shields, T H
Bosworth, H	Jacobs, Isaac	Shaw, G W
Batler, E S	Jacobshagen, Geo	Shepherd, J
Baker, J	Knapp, F H	Smith, W T
Bermer, E	Knight, A G	Stewart, W
Burns, J	Kinchin, A W	Snow, E L
Barnes, E W	Little, Robert	Sullivan, Thomas
Cheesborough, J B	Lukman, W	Sinclair, J
Collins, J K	Laughlin, T O	Storer, C A
Cohen, B	Lugenbuhl, J J	Stemmer, J
Chase, C H	Lyness, J	Sprague, S
Carey, R	Lee, W D	Stockton, J T
Chism, George	Larbalcestier, J	Sharp, Isaac
Cook, W B	McIntosh, W K	Sprague, J K
Chilton, R H	McCauley, D	Smith, N
Chevalier, E	Michell, S C	Studley, J B
Clough, J	McCulloch, J	Sanford, A W
Carvin, M	McWhan, T	Stith, G
Crane, C P	Murray, Thomas	Stephens, T A
Cullen, James	McLelland, W	Spearing, E F
Dodd, J W	Morgan, J C	Towne, A
Donaghue, W H	McGuigin, P	Taylor, L J
Dunlap, J G	Moorehouse, J	Titus, J L
Dunham, J E	Morse, R S	Van Houton, J
Davis, James	McMasters, W	Vass, R C
Dunwell, G C	Marr, G W H	Van Slooten, J
Dows, J L	Mortimer, C E	Woods, A

Dobrilvich, A	Miltenerberger, C A	Warner, J L
Drinkwater, J W	Moore, J H	Wilson, H A
Delesdernier, F W	Menzies, James	Wolfe, J
Donnella, O J	Mayer, H	Wilson, W C
Duke, R W	Mulliken, M J	Wade, R J
Emerson, C M	Magee, P	Wells, Wm
Estlin, R W	McBurney, T	Winslow, M
Eckert, J H	Mackin, P W	Watts, W C
Ewing, Wm	Merrill, H A	Weems, A W
Ewing, W	Murdy, J H	Watson, J S
Ewing, C W	Maes, C H	Wiley, E W
Ferguson, J A	Nicol, Walter	Wallet, F W
Forno, Henry	Nicols, John	Witte, G F
Fuller, J D	Nye, A	Westerburg, J B
Farwell, C A	O'Leary, M	Wren, W
Fowler, D H	O'Dowd, A	
Fonts, J S	Payson, A	

Total—217.

*Initiated*—Michael Carvin. C. P. Crane. James Cullen. A. Dobrilvich. Emile Garnet. S. H. Gilman. A. Graw. F. H. Hatch. J. A. Hildreth. George Jacobshagen. Frank Ingraham. H. A. Merrill. J. H. Murdy. H. H. Ranney. T. A. Stephens. E. F. Spearing. J. Van Slooten. F. W. Wallet. G. F. Witte. J. B. Westerburg. P. Boudousquie. F. L. Cook. Jas. Meagher. J. McLanathan. A. F. Pieton.

*Passed*—Michael Carvin. C. P. Crane. James Cullen. A. Dobrilvich. Emile Garnet. S. H. Gilman. A. Graw. F. H. Hatch. J. A. Hildreth. George Jacobshagen. Frank Ingraham. P. W. Mackin. H. A. Merrill. J. H. Murdy. H. H. Ranney. G. Stith. T. A. Stephens. E. F. Spearing. J. Van Slooten. F. W. Wallet. G. F. Witte. J. B. Westerburg. P. Boudousquie.

*Raised*—Michael Carvin. C. P. Crane. James Cullen. A. Dobrilvich. J. B. Gilmore. Emile Garnet. S. H. Gilman. A. Graw. F. H. Hatch. J. A. Hildreth. George Jacobshagen. Frank Ingraham. A. W. Kinchin. P. W. Mackin. H. A. Merrill. J. H. Murdy. H. H. Ranney. G. Stith. F. A. Stephens. E. F. Spearing. J. Van Slooten. E. W. Wiley. F. W. Wallet. G. F. Witte. J. B. Westerburg.

*Affiliated*—J. W. Drinkwater. F. W. Delesdernier. O. J. Donnella. R. W. Duke. C. H. Maes. W. Wren.

*Demitted*—T. F. Brewer. D. McCauley. T. K. Porter. J. A. Ferguson.

*Died*—F. W. Wallet. R. H. Chilton.

*Stricken from the Roll*—Robert Brown. G. C. Dunwell. W. A. Gliddon. H. A. Gliddon. H. Haner. E. Jacobs. A. Payson. W. B. Phillips. W. F. Reese. J. St. Levy. W. T. Smith. E. L. Snow. S. Sprague. Isaac Sharp. J. B. Studley. H. A. Wilson. R. J. Wade.

## WESTERN STAR LODGE, NO. 61.

*Monroe, Ouachita Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

McGuire, Joseph F.....	W M	McGuire, John A .....	Secretary
Richardson, James A.....	S W	Naughton, Thomas.....	S D
Delery, Charles .....	J W	Marshal, W E.....	J D
Hoffman, Joseph .....	Treasurer	Stevens, C S.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Atkins, John	Johnson, W K	Slack, S L
Baker, W J Q	Jones, Osborn	Slaughter, H H
Crane, Edmund	King, Gotlieb	Stubbs, F P
Churchill, Albert	Kinney, James E	Sanford, A W
Dabbs, C H	McGuire, R F	Sanford, D B
De Launay, F L	McCormick, F L	Stewart, J M
Essick, George	McEnery, J D	Sterling, J T
Foulk, David	Moran, Edward	Scarborough, Josiah F
Floyd, James L	Mitchell, J H	Trousdale, D B
Fenner, John F	Pierce, N U	Trippett, R
Garrett, Isaiah	Phillips, T W	Willson, R J
Gerson, Jr Henry	Richardson, R W	Wisenor, M H
Hasley, David	Roane, E H	Wentzell, John
Hughes, Wm	Rogers, W H	Wallace, John

Total—52.

*Initiated*—John Wentzell. John Wallace. J. T. Mason. Hugh Youngue.*Passed*—A. Churchill. John Wentzell. John Wallace. J. T. Mason. Hugh Youngue.*Raised*—A. Churchill. Joseph Hoffman. J. F. Scarborough. John Wentzell. John Wallace.*Demitted*—W. K. Johnson. H. H. Slaughter. R. Trippett.*Died*—Edward Moran.*Suspended*—D. B. Sanford.

## TUNICA LODGE, NO. 63.

*Tunica Landing, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Seeders, John J.....	W M	Cox, Wm T.....	Secretary
Day, Rowland.....	S W	Martin, T B.....	S D
Doherty, S C .....	J W	Day, M P.....	J D
Keller, Wm B .....	Treasurer	Hobgood, H .....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brown, Asa	Flowers, E A	Quine, R W
Burgess, G W	Hicks, J B	Rodney, W O
Babbitt, F H	Keller, L	Robinson, B
Cook, George	Lewis, T H	Smith, Samuel
Callahan, H G	Leatherman, D	Smith, James
Craft, R L	Miles, B	Sullivan, Warren
Curry, G A	McElwee, J C	Westbrook, U
Dorman, P	Mershon, J R	White, H N
Davis, James	Martin, L H	White, W B
Dawson, W H	Parker, K W	Ward T C
		Total—38.

*Raised*—K. W. Parker.*Affiliated*—R. L. Craft.*Demitted*—E. A. Flowers. J. R. Mershon. K. W. Parker. U. Westbrook.*Died*—George Cook.

## GEORGE WASHINGTON, NO. 65.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets, New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Scot, Jas B.....	W M	Risk, Sam'l G.....	Secretary
Sontag, Gustavus.....	S W	Lawrence, R B.....	S D
West, Joseph.....	J W	Benedict, N.....	J D
Steffens, Wm.....	Treasurer	Hedges, Rev C S.....	Chaplain
		Chellet, Joseph (not a member).....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allenet, T	Ford, Charles	McMillen, Wm
Bell, W O	Farrell, M J	Nixon, Jas
Brady, T R	Florat, J A	Neely, W M
Brand, R A	Fulton, S H	Neyland, J S
Bothick, T W	Greenfield, Thos	Ott, Geo H
Buckholtz, H P	Grither, Joseph	Parke, W C
Burns, Jas	Grissam, C W	Quayle, J
Boswell, T E	Graner, A	Ricardo, D I
Bidwell, D	Gilmore, J D	Reeve, J M
Boulet, Alex	Galpin, John	Raymond, Chas
Bowers, G Vining	Haney, Thos	Reynaud, H S
Bleakley, Geo	Harrison, Dan'l	Swasey, H R
Biguenet, John	Hamburger, H	Summers, H M
Clark, J D	Hirshfeld, H	Short, R H
Cutter, B L	Harris, J B	Sill, John R
Carter, J H	Isenhauer, J E	Sandak, J
Crary, J W	Isaard, Smith	Smith, Mark
Covert, A M	Johnson, E	Stewart, Chas A
Cline, Wm	James, W H	Stewart, C S
Christian, P J	Jardet, P E	Shields, John
Cassidy, Hugh	Kowalski, B	Simpson, D F
Cunningham, J	Kuhnholz, F J	Thomasson, C
Costanzi, F E	Kyes, Jno B	Templeton, W C
Dentzel, F A	Kuchler, C	Touro, John
Dick, T W	Kelly, Jno S	Vidal, Manuel
Dirmeyer, G W	Levy, Alex'r	Wilson, W A
DeYoung, A	Littlejohn, J	Wilbur, A C
Dias, E	Milliken, Rich	Weaver, G J
Donniker, J B	Mathews, T L	Wingard, J C
Duffy Joseph	Moynan, A F	Watkins, J A
Evans, G P	Marshall, F	Wasson, Alex
Evans, C E	McClure, J E	White, C W
Ebeling, Henry	McConnell, J B	Walker, Chas
Foute, M A	McDougall, A	Warnke, John
Freeland, Thos	McLary, John	Wood, David
Fenner, Robt	McLaughlin, John	Yost, R S

Total—116.

*Initiated*—Joseph Duffy. W. M. Neely. J. S. Neyland. Proctor Ankrim.  
T. M. Schlier. J. H. Tenney. Pat. Gillon.

*Passed*—Joseph Duffy. P. E. Jardet. W. M. Neely. J. S. Neyland. D. F. Simpson. Joseph West. Proctor Ankrim. J. W. Easley. T. M. Schlier. J. H. Tenney.

*Raised*—Geo. Bleakley. Joseph Duffy. P. E. Jardet. W. M. Neely.  
J. S. Neyland. D. F. Simpson. Joseph West. David Wood.

*Affiliated*—T. Allenet. F. E. Costanzi. J. B. Harris.

*Demitted*—J. Cunningham. J. Littlejohn. R. H. Short. John Touro. J. W. Easley (F. C.).

*Stricken from the Roll*—T. W. Dick. A. De Young. M. A. Foute. Dan. Harrison. Smith Isaard. E. Johnson. R. Milliken.

*Reinstated*—J. Cunningham. T. W. Dick. M. A. Foute. Smith Isaard. R. Milliken.

*Died*—Joseph Grither. J. S. Kelly. M. Vidal. Alex. Wasson. R. S. Yost.

## DUDLEY LODGE, NO. 66.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets, New Orleans.*

### OFFICERS.

Stewart, W H.....	W M	Guillet, S I.....	Secretary
Purviance, W T.....	S W	Marks, Edwin.....	S D
Coupland, W G.....	J W	Gennison, J H.....	J D
Cooper, Wm.....	Treasurer	Chellet, Joseph (not a member)	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Adams, L	Glenn, A	Reynolds, S
Adams, W R	Gallagher, J J	Sturgeon, John
Abernathy, W M	Griffith, J V	Shumway, Sam'l
Beebe, Henry	Hall, H F	Siers, R P
Bauvais, W S	Hall, J W	Snodgrass, Sam'l
Burke, D H	Heuchert, H	Scott, W T
Benedict, N B	Jacobs, T N	Sullivan, M
Buhler, F R	Jackson, T S	Shubert, F
Bennett, H	Johnson, D C	Smith, Jacob
Blinn, Z F	Klopman, L	Sabine, C S
Crenshaw, H M	Lemon, Robt	Sharp, C S
Coleman, W P	Lowe, Jr, B M	Schwiewinger, Jacob
Cook, W B	Langhorne, M	Thompson, W J
Cobb, J B	Lemon, Jas	Tarbell, B
Cohn, Sol	Mackey, T G	Taber, Henry
Coleman, L	Mehaffy, A J	Tomlin, H
Diamond, C V	Montgomery, R M	Van Horn, T D
Dobbins, S D	Marshall, C E	Wells, W F
Davis, M G	McDonald, J R	Whan, Jr, Wm
Estlin, C T	Marks, Theo	Withers, A L
Forshey, W G	Meugens, H	Walker, S R
Gladden, A H	Pendergrast, L	

Total—72.



*Initiated*—W. M. Abernathy. Z. F. Blinn. H. F. Hall. D. C. Johnson. Edwin Marks. J. R. McDonald. L. Pendergrast. Henry Taber. Wm. Whan, Jr. C. L. Blois. B. Gillooly. R. F. Bachman. H. S. Carey. H. S. Germain. E. V. Marot. Sam'l Nelson. G. L. Hill. F. G. Randolph. C. S. Wing. G. T. Wilson.

*Passed*—W. M. Abernathy. Z. F. Blinn. J. H. Gennison. H. F. Hall. D. C. Johnson. Edwin Marks. J. R. McDonald. L. Pendergrast. R. P. Siers. Henry Taber. W. F. Wells. Wm. Whan, Jr. C. L. Blois. B. Gillooly.

*Raised*—W. M. Abernathy. Z. F. Blinn. J. H. Gennison. H. F. Hall. D. C. Johnson. A. J. Mehaffy. Edwin Marks. J. R. McDonald. L. Pendergrast. R. P. Siers. Henry Taber. W. F. Wells. Wm. Whan, Jr.

*Affiliated*—R. W. Adams. D. H. Burke. W. B. Cook. J. B. Cobb. T. S. Jackson. M. Langhorne. C. E. Marshall. W. T. Purviance. Jno. Sturgeon. S. Shumway. H. Tomlin. A. L. Withers.

*Demitted*—H. Bennett. L. Coleman. S. R. Walker.

*Died*—Z. F. Blinn. T. S. Jackson. Jas. Lemon. H. Meugens.

*Suspended*—Jacob Schwiewinger.

## MARION LODGE, NO. 68.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets, N. O.*

### OFFICERS.

Hedges, T F .....	W M	Wilkins, A A .....	Secretary
Beers, A P .....	S W	Pett, G A .....	S D
Scruggs, D E .....	J W	Mesritz, B O .....	J D
Perkins, W M .....	Treasurer	Wolf, B J (not a member) .....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Angel, Richard	Grayson, W P	Power, J L
Anderson, P F	Gardner, L H	Pike, Albert
Bowman, John	Gordon, Charles	Robertson, J B
Buckley, H P	Greenleaf, H L	Reynolds, L E
Bain, George	Goodwyn, G W W	Reynolds, H W
Beebe, W J	Horner, C W	Reynolds J
Betterton, W G	Hodges, Henry	Rondeau, W H
Bein, Richard	Harrison, Daniel	Robinson, H M

Benson, Joseph	Hewitt, W H	Riggin, J H
Blessey, E	Hufty, Joseph	Rickarby, W D
Beers, Jr J S	Hill, Artemon	Redman, Ambrose
Briard, Samuel	Jackson, Joshua	Ring, G P
Brown, R H	Killili, C	Riordan, M
Blair, J J	Kendal, G W	Rareshide, George
Coeler, F W	Keeffe, Thomas	Raphael, W A
Corporal, P	Lindsay, James	Schmidt, Charles
Colton, D E	Ludwigsen, J H	Shaw, Jr Frank
Cornell, G P	Ludwigsen, F L K	Shook, Isaac
Cresap, H B	Louderbough, M	Strenna, John
Clark, Moses	Logan, D D O	Stephenson, J A
Cripps, Thomas	Logan, J G	Swan, J S
Cabiness, T B	Lee, J M	Shryock, John
Dennis, Nicholas	McIntyre, Alex	Simonds, J S
Daniels, Peter	Moodie, James	Turner, J P
Daniel, J J	McIntire, J S	Todd, S M
Dorsey, O	Middlemiss, P	Terrell, W H
DeBaun, James	Mayer, Louis	Timmins, W C
Dentzel, H H	Nash, C T	Wilson, James
Davis, Michael	Norcom, W R	Williamson, N
Deneufbourg, L F	Noyes, O J	Wilson, E H
Fellows, J Q A	Oliver, Robert	Watson, Robert
Ferguson, S G	Paxton, W H	Weymouth, J M
Freeman, W J	Parmele, F F	Wolters, C
Flemming, W A	Price, Pere	Williams, F W
Green, A P	Pennington, S F	Total—111.

*Initiated*—W. A. Raphael. J. W. Saunders. E. L. Aubert. W. A. Conway.  
C. A. Moret. C. T. Picton. Martin Turnbull.

*Passed*—W. A. Raphael. J. W. Saunders.

*Raised*—W. A. Raphael.

*Affiliated*—Joshua Jackson. O. J. Noyes. F. W. Williams.

*Demitted*—J. J. Blair. F. W. Coeler. T. B. Cabiness. L. F. Deneufbourg.  
W. P. Grayson. L. H. Gardner. Charles Gordon. G. P. Ring.

*Died*—F. F. Parmele. George Rareshide.

*Stricken from the Roll*—George Bain. W. J. Beebe. Peter Daniels. O. Dorsey. James DeBaun. F. L. K. Ludwigsen. Alex. McIntyre. J. S. McIntire. S. F. Pennington. J. Reynolds. W. H. Rondeau. Isaac Shook. J. P. Turner. J. M. Weymouth.

*Reinstated*—O. Dorsey.

## HIRAM LODGE, NO. 70.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets, New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Solomon, S P.....	W M	Maguire, J P A.....	Secretary
Carroll, T.....	S W	Bowen, O F.....	S D
Rogers, A S.....	J W	Wills, John.....	J D
Davis, Wm.....	Treasurer	Wells, Erastus.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Boehler, J A	Hill, James	McKeown, Chas
Brady, J M C	Heidensfelter, E	Newcomb, W W
Baynham, Wm	Johnson, J T	Peel, Matt
Breden, Mark	Kavanagh, P	Pincus, Joseph
Bryant, G W	Kendall, J G	Rumsey, H R
Cleland, Wm	Kuchenthal, E	Robinson, Arthur
Caufield, John	Labarthe, J J	Robertson, A R
Dolan, Wm	Latham, W H	Ross, A J
Everett, H C	McNamara, R	Rayburn, Wm
Guthrie, Jas	Medd, Jas	Schwerin, Simon
Garrett, E O	Moreau, B	Turner, T B
Gardiner, S	McConnell, M	Tilton, W E
Gogarty, C	Maire, Alfred	Tighe, D R
Grady, M J	Mitchell, M	Ward, James
Haislet, Joseph	McCloskey, C	Whitworth, J
Hardie, C L	Meagher, Edw	Wild, Wm
Hunt, E	McKenzie, Wm	Waddle, J R
Hunt, R R		

Total—60.

*Initiated*—O. F. Bowen. Wm. Cleland. Wm. Davis. M. J. Grady. E. Meagher. Wm. McKenzie. C. McKeown. Joseph Pincus. A. S. Rogers. T. B. Turner. John Wills. J. R. Waddle. Joseph Borriss. Dan'l Derroch. Henry Greenwall. T. Heim. S. Weiner.

*Passed*—O. F. Bowen. Wm. Cleland. Wm. Davis. M. J. Grady. E. Meagher. Wm. McKenzie. C. McKeown. Joseph Pincus. Wm. Rayburn. A. S. Rogers. T. B. Turner. John Wills. J. R. Waddle.

*Raised*—O. F. Bowen. Wm. Cleland. Wm. Davis. M. J. Grady. E. Meagher. Wm. McKenzie. C. McKeown. Joseph Pincus. Wm. Rayburn. A. S. Rogers. T. B. Turner. John Wills. J. R. Waddle.

*Affiliated*—G. W. Bryant. E. Heidensfelter. S. Schwerin. Wm. Wild.

*Demitted*—Wm. Dolan. C. McCloskey.

*Died*—W. E. Tilton.

*Stricken from the Roll*—E. O. Garrett. C. Gogarty. J. Haislet. J. G. Kendall. C. Kuchenthal. W. H. Latham. M. McConnell. Arthur Robinson. A. J. Ross. James Ward.

*Reinstated*—A. J. Ross.

## ALPHA LODGE, NO. 72.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets, New Orleans.*

### OFFICERS.

Mitchell, D F.....	W M	Campbell, C C.....	Secretary
Pettingill, W S.....	S W	Ruckert, J T.....	S D
Roca, Fred.....	J W	Kerr, E M.....	J D
Turek, J R.....	Treasurer	Chellet, Joseph (not a member)...	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Allen, N W	Gregory, R A	Olroyd, F
Barnie, C S	Harris, J C	Oppenheim, B
Barrett, H W	Hayes, G B	Payne, C B
Barry, D	Hill, John	Perrett, P C
Beard, C C	Hire, W H	Place, H
Beckley, W F	Hornsby, C C	Prohl, F R
Bell, W R	Howell, R K	Robertson, R A
Benedict, P	Huckins, J H	Selleck, S S
Bevan, G	Honold, F	Shaw, Alfred
Bishop, S L	Hutchings, W H	Sheldon, A P
Bockius, J M	Ingham, H G	Smith, Howard
Bogel, Wm	Jacques, J A	Stamps, I D
Chapsky, A	Lampton, Wm	Stevens, John D D
Cotton, J A	Levy, Lazarus	Strong, H
Craig, E D	Long, H W	Taylor, J C
Davis, C H	Lynch, P McD	Thienemann, A
Donald, Sam'l	McCoy, Hugh	Walker, J S
Fischer, Chas	McGregor, Wm	Whipple, J B
Galpin, Sam'l	Maguire, J W	Williams, W L
Gensler, S	Mancosas, P F	Williamson, A C
Glennon, R	Morrison, T	Total—09.

*Initiated*—E. M. Kerr. Lazarus Levy. P. McD. Lynch. Hugh McCoy.  
F. R. Prohl. A. Thienemann. J. S. Walker. Frank Clarke. T. P. Clinton.  
George Cope. G. H. Doran. L. Heichelheinn. J. C. Huey. C. F. Verlander.

*Passed*—E. M. Kerr. Lazarus Levy. P. McD. Lynch. Hugh McCoy.  
F. R. Prohl. A. Thienemann. J. S. Walker.

*Raised*—E. M. Kerr. Lazarus Levy. P. McD. Lynch. Hugh McCoy.  
F. R. Prohl. A. Thienemann. J. S. Walker.

*Affiliated*—Wm. Bogel. Chas. Fischer. J. D. D. Stevens.

*Demitted*—W. R. Bell. E. D. Craig. Chas. Fischer. R. K. Howell.  
F. Honold. F. R. Prohl. J. D. D. Stevens.

*Died*—A. W. Allen. Sam'l Galpin. P. McD. Lynch. T. Morrison.

*Expelled*—H. G. Ingham.

## SABINE LODGE, NO. 75.

*Fort Jessup, Sabine Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Munson, G.....	W M	Wagley, J F.....	Secretary
Dove, Simeon .....	S W	Dove, Jasper .....	S D
Thompson, M B.....	J W	Martin, J.....	J D
Harris, John .....	Treasurer	Litton, John.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Armstrong, J C	Harris, R J	Stephens, L E
Beck, C	McLemore, N H	Snead, Alex
Barbee, Leslie	Royston, S	Walker, J W
Curtis, Harvey	Royston, R F	Wiley, T S
Conway, John	Stephens, J A	Welch, H P
Carnes, R S		Total—24.

*Initiated*—John Conway. M. B. Thompson. J. F. Wagley. T. S. Wiley.

*Passed*—John Conway. M. B. Thompson. J. F. Wagley. T. S. Wiley.

*Raised*—John Conway. M. B. Thompson. J. F. Wagley. T. S. Wiley.

*Affiliated*—S. Royston. R. F. Royston.

*Died*—Alexander Snead.

## QUITMAN LODGE, NO. 76.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets, N. O.*

## OFFICERS.

Beaman, George M.....	W M	Stansbury, H J.....	Secretary
Seaman, Wm H.....	S W	Ashbridge, A M .....	S D
Knight, John.....	J W	Seaton, Bethum.....	J D
Herndon, T C.....	Treasurer	Hertz, Louis .....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Armistead, R C	Hall, E A	Olds, A C
Anthony, J M	Holt, G W	Peyton, T W
Arnold, Jr J F	Homan, Isaac N	Palmer, S T
Barrett, T W	Higgins, John P	Pierce, T N
Bloomfield, Benj	Harris, M	Proctor, F F
Bloomfield, Jr Wm	Hart, Archie	Pierpont, A C
Bloomfield, J M	Harder, D N	Peterson, A H M
Bayly, G M	Homan, G W	Quigg, Edward
Bartlett, F A	Isaacson, A H	Reed, Erastus
Bartlette, T A	Johnson, J L	Robinson, S B
Bartlett, G H	Jones, G A	Richey, G W
Carlton, J S	Kane, Richard	Roberts, R B
Clark, C W	Keep, O H	Searing, T F
Dix, E H	Lyons, G H	Silverstein, S
Dickey, N L	Leavel, J S	Skinner, C P
Davenport, Isom	Langdon, John	Shields, L A
Dirrhammer, J M	Langsfield, J H	Strawbridge, A B
Dixon, J K	Marks, D H	Sears, T A
Ellison, J T	Myers, Samuel	Strawbridge, James
Field, S R	McCluskey, M	Tenbrink, Wm
Fabj, Francis	Mohr, P W	Taylor, Wm J
Foster, E J	McCluskey, Thomas	Thiel, W
Field, Seaman	McDonald, John	Wingfield, George
Frank, Simon	Nash, Richard	Waters, M H
Gibbs, W	Offergeld, A	Wingfield, James H
Hanning, John		Total—84.

*Initiated*—A. M. Ashbridge. J. M. Bloomfield. T. A. Bartlette. J. K. Dixon.  
 G. W. Homan. John McDonald. A. H. M. Peterson. Edw. Quigg. John Dwyer.  
 W. C. Cutler. P. Heffiran. H. J. Martin. James Timmins. J. H. Jones.  
 J. L. Woolsey.

*Passed*—A. M. Ashbridge. J. M. Bloomfield. T. A. Bartlette. J. K. Dixon.

Simon Frank. G. W. Homan. G. A. Jones. John McDonald. A. H. M. Peterson.  
Edward Quigg. W. Thiel. John Dwyer.

*Raised*—A. M. Ashbridge. J. M. Bloomfield. T. A. Bartlette. J. K. Dixon.  
Simon Frank. G. W. Homan. G. A. Jones. Thos. McCluskey. John McDonald.  
A. C. Pierpont. A. H. M. Peterson. Edward Quigg. R. B. Roberts. W. Thiel.

*Affiliated*—G. H. Bartlett. O. H. Keep. G. W. Richey. B. Seaton. T. A. Sears.  
J. Strawbridge.

*Demitted*—J. M. Anthony. F. Fabj. L. A. Shields.

*Died*—T. W. Barrett. J. T. Ellison. E. J. Foster. D. N. Harder. J. S. Leavel.  
T. McCluskey. T. N. Pierce. C. P. Skinner. P. Hefiran. (E. A.) E. Saunders. (E. A.)

*Stricken from the Roll*—A. C. Olds.

*Expelled*—G. A. Jones.

## MOUNT MORIAH LODGE, NO. 77.

*Port Hudson, Parish East Feliciana, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Caldwell, J C.....	W M	Richardson, Wm.....	Secretary
Sewell, C T.....	S W	Fuqua, J W.....	S D
Chiek, R.....	J W	Flenacher, Jos.....	J D
Troth, R W.....	Treasurer	Sander, J G.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Argo, Jno C	Godbold, G P	Munson, Robt
Atkinson, L G	Griffith, J C	Marsh, M
Chatham, R	Gibbons, J H	Northan, T N
Cain, D P	Haynes, H H	Purnell, G W
Carter, A G	Harbour, P J	Raby, S H
Chisholm, J R	Jackson, J C	Rist, Jr Jno
Dawson, Sam'l	Kuhn, Simon	Total—28.

*Initiated*—Jos. Flenacher. J. C. Griffith. J. G. Sander. Jno. Abrigen.  
E. F. Husten.

*Passed*—Jos. Flenacher. J. C. Griffith. Simon Kuhn. M. Marsh. Jno. Rist, Jr.  
J. G. Sander.

*Raised*—Jos. Flenacher. J. C. Griffith. Simon Kuhn. M. Marsh. Jno. Rist, Jr.  
J. G. Sander.

*Affiliated*—J. C. Caldwell. J. W. Fuqua.

*Demitted*—J. C. Jackson. Jno. Rist, Jr.

*Died*—Sam'l Dawson.

*Reinstated*—Jno. C. Argo.

## ORLEANS LODGE, NO. 78.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts., New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Dostie, A P.....	W M	Chellet, Joseph.....	Secretary
Churchill, S B.....	S W	Mackey, J G.....	S D
Jonte, C V.....	J W	Ray, John.....	J D
Pomet, G G.....	Treasurer	Wolf, B J.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Auchmuty, S P	Holden, I S	Pridham, N C
Allabough, J R	Hebert, Victor	Pandely, George
Bridges, C C	Hooper, Geo	Rosenthal, Philip
Breunn, Z	Huft, C F	Rogers, John
Berwin, M	Hoge, E E	Ruter, Geo L
Bell, John	Kelley, S L	Roth, Jacob
Brewster, B S	Kaiser, Louis	Rosenburgh, N
Briggs, N C	Kaiser, Sam'l	Stevenson, Rich'd
Bigniole, Chas	Kearney, J F	Salomon, E
Bevan, George	Kohler, Fred	Stewart, J C
Cain, L B	Langenbecker, C	Schawb, N
Cohn, Jacob	Lambert, H B	Sœllner, J A
Collins, Louis E	Morton, Jno F	Smith, W W
Crocker, J B	McKee, John	Thomson, Jas
Dolson, C L	Moreira, J P	Thomas, Geo W
Donnaud, A	Martinez, J	Turner, A T
Daily, Jno R	Monroe, J T	Watson, Jno C
De Tornos, Aberto	Merrifield, H C	Weston, Wm D
Frisbie, S H A	Mitchell, E P	Wood, Elias
Fenkel, B	Maillot, Jos	Ward, John
Fox, Wm	Nimick, James	Walsh, Jas
Gould, John	Newman, Chas	Winslow, J M
Goodrich, Hiram	Payne, B H	White, Jr, Sam'l
Heide, J L	Porter, Jno A	Wood, George
Holmes, Wm H	Panson, Milton	Youston, Robt

Total—83.

*Initiated*—Z. Breunn. M. Berwin. C. L. Dolson. S. H. A. Frisbie. John Gould. C. F. Huft. Jos. Maillot. J. G. Mackey. Philip Rosenthal. John Ray. J. F. Dick. David Hunter. Wm. Parker. H. H. Revis.

*Passed*—Z. Breunn. M. Berwin. C. L. Dolson. S. H. A. Frisbie. John



Gould. C. F. Hufft. Jos. Maillot. J. G. Mackey. Philip Rosenthal. John Ray. W. W. Smith. Peter Shonefelt.

*Raised*—Z. Breunn. M. Berwin. J. B. Crocker. C. L. Dolson. S. H. A. Frisbie. John Gould. C. F. Hufft. Jos. Maillot. J. G. Mackey. Philip Rosenthal. John Ray. W. W. Smith.

*Affiliated*—C. C. Bridges. E. E. Hoge. E. P. Mitchell.

*Demitted*—John Bell. Jacob Cohn. Sam'l Kaiser. A. T. Turner. Robt. Youston.

*Died*—Geo. L. Ruter.

*Suspended*—A. De Tornos. N. Schawb.

*Stricken from the Roll*—Wm. Fox. Geo. Pandely.

## ST. JOSEPH LODGE, NO. 79.

*St. Joseph, Tensas Parish, Louisiana.*

### OFFICERS.

Stampley, S B.....	W M	Farrar, Thomas P.....	Secretary
Aroni, Julius.....	S W	Brown, M N.....	S D
Stampley, V W.....	J W	Andrews, James.....	J D
Snyder, R H.....	Treasurer	Barkhan, J H.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Alexander, P	Haas, M	Pearson, W H
Bantz, Wm	Harris, J P	Powell, J E
Bondurant, A	King, Robert	Reeves, L V
Bondurant, J	Lewis, Reeve	Routh, J K
Bondurant, H	Montgomery, B F	Routh, H
Barnes, F	Maxwell, W D	Smith, J R
Brown, A F	McCrane, J S	Snodgrass, J W
Farrar, E D	McCrane, A B	Scott, C P
Ford, W D	Montgomery, G W	Stampley, J Z
Friar, W J	Puckett, P B	Tullis, Eli
Gillespie, A B	Powell, J J	Williams, G W

Total—41.

*Passed*—C. P. Scott.

*Raised*—C. P. Scott.

*Demitted*—A. B. McCrane. J. J. Powell.

*Reinstated*—W. J. Friar. M. Haas.

## DE WITT CLINTON LODGE, NO. 80.

*Marion, Union Parish, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

White, J A.....	W M	Wallace, J B.....	Secretary
Thomas, B B.....	S W	Newton, J.....	S D
Cooper, M C.....	J W	Grisham, J.....	J D
Goldsby, M W.....	Treasurer	Towns, R R.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Benson, S E	Defee, G	Robinson, S L
Bryant, R J	George, E	Robinson, M C
Cooper, H	George, B F	Russell, J W
Cooper, W D	Loper, J J	Sims, R J
Cooper, T S	Lupo, J J	Sims, John
Cooper, L	Puckett, D	White, N T

Total—26.

*Initiated*—John Sims. B. B. Thomas. J. W. Russell.*Passed*—R. J. Sims. John Sims. B. B. Thomas. J. W. Russell.*Raised*—J. Grisham. R. J. Sims. John Sims. B. B. Thomas. J. W. Russell*Demitted*—R. F. Sims. A. A. Kidd (1855).*Died*—S. E. Benson.

## MOUNT VERNON LODGE, NO. 83.

*Logansport, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Martin, John W.....	W M	Baldwin, Thos B.....	Secretary
Cuthbertson, John.....	S W	Norris, Jr John.....	S D
White, J W.....	J W	Sinclair, John B.....	J D
Norris, Sr John.....	Treasurer	Plunkett, A N.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Armor, G G	Palmer, J M F	Tharp, Geo A
Booker, Enoch	Pyles, James	White, Wyley
Douglass, G W	Tharp, T G A	Williams, James
Hickey, J L		

Total—18

*Initiated*—Peter Cunningham. Noah Smith.*Passed*—John Norris, Jr. James Pyles.*Raised*—G. G. Armor. J. L. Hickey. John Norris, Jr. James Pyles.  
Geo. A. Tharp.*Demitted*—T. G. A. Tharp.

## OLIVER LODGE, NO. 84.

*Alexandria, Rapides Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Hyman, Wm B.....	W M	Klotz, Henry.....	Secretary
Fulton, Ben F.....	S W	Gillespie, Samuel.....	S D
Cazabat, A.....	J W	Clifton, John.....	J D
Barrett, G W.....	Treasurer	Dammon, W O.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Abadie, L	Irving, Jacob	Ridge, W J	
Baillio, L	Levin, J	Shaw, D W	
Barlow, J H C	Myers, Philip	Walden, C H	
Bernstein, S	Ogden, O N	Wise, J C	
Gossens, Louis	Osborne, Henry	Weil, Edward	
Haygood, S B	Paul, Jr M	Wall, E J	Total—26.

*Initiated*—E. J. Wall. M. N. Swafford. T. F. Swafford.*Passed*—E. J. Wall. M. N. Swafford.*Raised*—E. J. Wall.*Affiliated*—J. H. C. Barlow. G. W. Barrett. A. Cazabat. W. O. Dammon. W. B. Hyman. W. J. Ridge. D. W. Shaw.*Demitted*—S. Bernstein. Philip Myers. (In 1857) J. S. Boswell. H. Butters. C. Bell. R. L. Fox. R. W. Henry. A. Mallet. Wm. Oneal. J. R. Simmons. J. M. Solibellas.

## LAFAYETTE LODGE, NO. 87.\*

*Pattersonville, Parish of St. Mary, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Wilcoxon, Thomas.....	W M	Levy, Bernard.....	Secretary
Keys, Nelson.....	S W	McCoy, James H.....	S D
Sanders, T S.....	J W	Jones, D W.....	J D
Levy, B.....	Treasurer	Leopold, Simon.....	Tyler

\* Received since closing of the Grand Lodge, and not reported on by the Committee.

## MEMBERS.

Ager, Wm	Gaillet, A	Rochel, E
Briant, G A	Hazard, S H	Swain, M L
Burnly, H	Jones, A	Sojourner, R N
Burges, N	Knight, J	Stockton, Thomas
Daly, Eugene	McMurtry, A	Wafford, James
Gathright, Z P	Rawles, J M	Total—25.

*Initiated*—D. W. Jones. D. G. Hazard.

*Passed*—S. H. Hazard. D. W. Jones. D. G. Hazard.

*Raised*—S. H. Hazard. D. W. Jones.

*Demitted*—A. Jones.

*Died*—Eugene Daly. R. N. Sojourner. S. H. Hazard. D. G. Hazard (f. c.).

*Suspended*—G. A. Briant. Z. P. Gathright. Thomas Stockton.

## MANY LODGE, NO. 88.

*Many, Sabine Parish, La.*

(No Returns.)

## CYPRESS LODGE, NO. 89.

*Collinsburg, Bossier Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Turnley, J T.....	W M	Sentell, W M.....	Secretary
Sentell, G W.....	S W	Ratcliff, B. F.....	S D
Doles, Z.....	J W	Higgs, S R.....	J D
Cooper, N A.....	Treasurer	Hall, Wm.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Alden, Philo	Kemp, J T	Stinson, R T
Arnette, R W	Lawrance, A B	Shippey, E A
Arick, Wm	Liverman, W B	Sears, E K
Bennette, James W	Matlock, B B	Sentell, J B
Bush, W J	Miller, Samuel	Stiles, Edwin
Burnham, D M	McDonald, M S	Strain, A C
Cross, E H	McDonald, W D	Sanderson, E S
Cooke, E G	Nelson, B H	Sentell, H V
Dickson, D E	O'Neal, Elias	Shaw, James S
Dickson, M A	Potts, W C	Stinson, Joseph
Graham, Y J	Pigues, E J	Taite, John A
Graham, J L C	Pickett, John	Taylor, James L
Gambill, W B	Palmer, P A	Vaneycles, Samuel
Hamilton, L	Rodgers, Israel	Walker, G H
King, C R	Ridens, H T	Yarborough, E W

Total—53.

*Initiated*—James S. Shaw. Joseph Stinson. Samuel Vaneycles.*Passed*—D. M. Burnham. E. S. Sanderson. James S. Shaw. Joseph Stinson. Samuel Vaneycles.*Raised*—D. M. Burnham. E. S. Sanderson. H. V. Sentell. James S. Shaw. Joseph Stinson. James L. Taylor. Samuel Vaneycles.*Affiliated*—H. T. Ridens. H. V. Sentell (r. c.).*Demitted*—J. T. Kemp. E. W. Yarborough.*Died*—M. S. McDonald. J. O. Felps (r. c.).

## THIBODAUX BENEVOLENT, NO. 90.

*Thibodaux, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Belcher, Clifford.....	W M	Williams, C C.....	Secretary
Mead, F L.....	S W	Edmonson, T R.....	S D
Aubert, L C.....	J W	Harland, John.....	J D
Loewenstein, J M.....	Treasurer	Coulon, O.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Atkinson, W J	Darden, R G	Mavaux, L C
Armatige, C	Dickerson, D M	Perkins, —
Britton, A S	Donaldson, A J	Ragan, A B
Baker, R B	Dedrick, A	Read, L A
Buford, J A	Gray, D J	Stamply, M B
Babin, O	Grüneberg, C H	Smith, N H
Burrows, J B	Harris, H H	Thibodaux, B G
Crawford, J M	LeBlanc, D	Tanner, Wash
Cole, J L	Moore, R C	Tenny, S
Christy, G W	Moran, E	White, J C
Cross, Edward	McLeod, M A	Weightman, T H

Total—41.

*Initiated*—L. C. Aubert. A. Dedrick. M. H. Dannis.*Passed*—L. C. Aubert. A. Dedrick.*Raised*—L. C. Aubert. A. Dedrick. E. Moran*Demitted*—C. Armatige. R. B. Baker. L. C. Mavaux. L. A. Read.  
M. B. Stamply. T. H. Weightman.*Died*—W. A. Atkinson. A. S. Britton.

## MONTICELLO LODGE, NO. 92.

*Monticello, Carroll Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Lott, H R.....	W M	Dollerhide, R H.....	Secretary
Anderson, W T C.....	S W	Richardson, C B.....	S D
Travis, D S.....	J W	Eppes, John W.....	J D
Parker, W H.....	Treasurer	Land, L J.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Armstrong, R A	Hays, J W	McKelvey, D S
Capers, L R	Hamberlin, James	Neill, Samuel
Draughon, J W	Imboden, J D	Oliver, S D
Drew, N J	Lester, I W	Oliver, W T
De France, P W	Looney, M	Quine, Alfred
Eddins, Abram	Leetch, J N	Richardson, W A
Fleming, E M	McNeill, J H	Roberts, B D
Guier, P J	Moore, S W	Stuart, W T
Gaddis, J M	Moore, J A	Saltenberer, G P
Gordon, T D	Mann, T M	Taylor, S W
Halberg, C J	Motley, C T	Walker, A J
Humphrey, R B	Mapp, J C	Watson, J M
		Total—44.

*Initiated*—W. A. Richardson. E. S. Drew.

*Passed*—W. A. Richardson. T. J. Holden.

*Raised*—W. A. Richardson.

*Affiliated*—J. M. Watson.

*Demitted*—P. J. Guier. J. C. Mapp.

*Died*—R. A. Armstrong. S. W. Taylor.

*Stricken from the Roll*—T. D. Gordon. J. N. Leetch. Alfred Quine.

## NAPOLEON LODGE, NO. 94.

*Springhill, Union Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Ford, Benj.....	W M	Turner, J M .....	Secretary
Thomas, L K.....	S W	Jessup, George.....	S D
Smith, Samuel.....	J W	Stewart, D G.....	J D
Cashell, E J.....	Treasurer	Robertson, J .....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Briggs, D B	Kidd, N A	Roan, Peyton
Hara, Wm	Norsworthy, W B	Striplin, George W
Inwright, T J		Total—15.

*Affiliated*—J. Robertson.

*Demitted*—W. B. Norsworthy.

## ST. HELENA LODGE, NO. 96.

*Greensburg, St. Helena Parish, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Carter, Wm A.....	W M	Parker, L R.....	Secretary
Kent, Amos.....	S W	Womack, Wm F.....	S D
Thompson, J J.....	J W	Peirson, S H.....	J D
Addison, Ashford.....	Treasurer	Parker, James.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allen, Chas H	Godfrey, C R	Strickland, Jr C D
Bankston, D H	Gorman, J K	Story, Edward
Bankston, Leslie	Gorman, D K	Thompson, D W
Bankston, H H	Johnson, J W	Thompson, J F
Bates, Wm S	Jones, Thomas	Tillery, Wm H
Belue, Jas L	Kemp, J D	Wainwright, C
Birch, Jno W	Kemp, E M	Watson, J G
Brady, S A	McKinney, Jephtha	Watson, B M.
Carruth, W R	McLendon, J B	Williams, Jas A
Carruth, R H	Naul, N J	Wilson, J E
Corkern, John	Parker, Wm R	Womack, Abner
Day, D D	Roland, J F	Womack, J B
Dennis, Wm	Spencer, John T	Womack, A B
Dillon, John P		

Total—48.

*Initiated*—C. H. Allen. Jno. P. Dillon. Wm. F. Womack. Geo. W. Varnado.*Passed*—C. H. Allen. D. D. Day. Jno. P. Dillon. Wm. R. Parker.  
J. G. Burton. Wm. F. Womack.*Raised*—C. H. Allen. John W. Birch. D. D. Day. Jno. P. Dillon,  
Wm. R. Parker. C. Wainwright. A. B. Womack.*Affiliated*—C. R. Godfrey. J. B. McLendon. H. H. Bankston (1855).*Demitted*—J. W. Johnson. J. F. Thompson.*Stricken from the Roll* (1857)—W. D. Allen. L. H. Venables. Dan'l  
Williams. Isaac H. Wright. (1858)—W. R. Carruth. N. J. Naul.*Reinstated*—S. A. Brady.



## PATMOS LODGE, NO. 97.

*Richmond, Madison Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Stanbrough, Josiah.....	W M	Adams, A E.....	Secretary
Love, L E.....	S W	— — — — —	S D
Dawson, F M.....	J W	— — — — —	J D
Shadburne, G D.....	Treasurer	Sims, B L.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Anderson, Sam'l	Forbes, Jas	Montgomery, T
Bright, Wm H	Fuqua, W C	Moore, J W
Bettis, E J	Hamilton, S W	Nicholls, J S
Bettis, G C	Hawkins, S D	Pope, Willis
Boyce, L M	Hinds, B F	Parker, W G
Belk, R S	Hitchings, J	Stubblefield, H
Couch, J W	Hinman, J M	Sanders, G W
Coe, J T	Jones, L	Stanwood, C F
Clayton, B F	Kelsh, F	Town, E B
Evans, W A	Love, M H	Waller, Geo
Featherston, W H	Magill, Jas	White, P E
Fleetwood, J A	Miller, Wm	Total—41

*Initiated*—Sam'l Morrow. Thos. Delaney. H. P. Wells. John Priest (1857).*Passed*—R. S. Belk (1857). Volney King (1857). Sam'l Morrow.*Raised*—R. S. Belk (1857).*Affiliated*—W. H. Bright. B. F. Clayton.*Demitted*—T. N. Pulley (1857).

## HERMITAGE LODGE, NO. 98.

*Corner of Magazine and Philip streets, Fourth District, New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Wilson, Daniel.....	W M	Weser, Wm.....	Secretary
Burden, Thomas.....	S W	Welsh, G.....	S D
Loos, Adam.....	J W	Weser, A.....	J D
Altmayer, John.....	Treasurer	Dirkes, L.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brown, C	Kock, H N	Stubenrauch, F
Benken, D	Kotteman, F	Stafford, James
Damron, H	Mayer, J G	Schulte, J
Dougart, B	Muller, John	Strohmayer, J
Dowd, James	Oberkamp, C	Walz, A
Elliott, C B	Osborne, F	Weber, Wm
Frith, J L	Rebendish, Wm	Werkle, Peter
Goldman, J A	Ricks, E	Weil, Samuel
Green, J U	Small, M	Young, Daniel
Henry, Wm	Sehorn, H M	Zinser, G M
Johnson, R B	Schaffer, George	
Kopps, Lewis	Schoor, Thomas	Total—42.

*Initiated*—D. Benken. James Dowd. J. Strohmayer. Samuel Weil. Samuel Andrews. F. Hanton. C. B. Harvey. Richard Branus. James Brown. M. Konig. C. Oberschmidt. F. W. Oberschmidt. J. Schambach. Wm. Wilde.

*Passed*—D. Benken. James Dowd. F. Kotteman. Adam Loos. John Muller. E. Ricks. J. Strohmayer. A. Weser (1857). Wm. Weber. Samuel Weil. G. M. Zinser. Samuel Andrews. F. Hanton. C. B. Harvey.

*Raised*—D. Benken. James Dowd. F. Kotteman. Adam Loos. John Muller. F. Osborne. E. Ricks. J. Strohmayer. A. Weser. Wm. Weber. Peter Werkle. Samuel Weil. G. M. Zinser.

*Affiliated*—C. Oberkamp.

*Demitted*—B. Dougart. F. Stubenrauch. E. Laudan (1854). J. Kattman (1856). J. W. R. Turner (1856).

*Died*—C. B. Elliott. F. Kotteman.

*Suspended*—R. B. Johnson. E. Trudeau (1854).

## HENDERSON LODGE, NO. 99.

*Cotile, Rapides Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Texada, L E.....	W M	Rosenthal, M.....	Secretary
Shackleford, S B.....	S W	Texada, J W.....	S D
Carnihan, M.....	J W	Myers, J J.....	J D
James, Wm C.....	Treasurer	Boswell, J S.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Crain, R A	Myers, D F	Woodard, J D R
Carnihan, John	Murry, W A B	Williams, S D
Davidson, N	Poland, Frank	Wills, J Q
Dickerson, T M	Richardson, W L	
Lee, E	Sneed, Wm	Total—21.

*Initiated*—Frank Poland. John Gallagher.

*Passed*—W. A. B. Murry. Frank Poland.

*Raised*—W. A. B. Murray. Frank Poland.

*Affiliated*—J. S. Boswell. J. J. Myers. J. Q. Wills.

*Demitted*—W. A. B. Murry. Frank Poland.

## FRANKLINTON LODGE, NO. 101.

*Franklinton, Washington Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Burris, James M.....	W M	Babington, Robert.....	Secretary
Burkhalter, Henry T .....	S W	Wood, John R.....	S D
Morris, John E.....	J W	Bickham, Thomas R.....	J D
Bickham, Sandy W.....	Treasurer	Stringfield, David H.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Ard, James F	Fisher, Wm	O'Rorke, Michael
Blackburn, A S	Fisher, J C	Peak, Olander
Bailey, C P	Foils, J C	Parks, A
Brumfield, A C	Hosmer, Wm B	Penny, Welcome
Brumfield, Sr Wm	Hueman, Moses	Richardson, Hardy
Brumfield, G Y	Lea, James T	Richardson, S D
Bickham, A C	Lanier, Benj	Richardson, Wm P
Birch, John R	Mizell, Stephen	Simmons, J M
Bankston, L H	Mizell, John	Simmons, J B
Bouie, Angus	Moore, D C	Singleterry, J J
Bullock, D E	Magee, Jacob	Slocum, J J
Clark, Wm J	Morris, C B	Spring, Henry
Carpenter, J M	Morris, Wm F	Thomas, Hardy
Douglas, J P	McLain, Kenith	Thomas, E B
Deez, D B	McCain, Sr Edward	Thomas, M
Ellis, Stephen	McCain, Jr Edward	Wadsworth, John
Erwin, James A		Total—57.

*Initiated*—D. E. Bullock. W. P. Bullock. Simeon Bennet. J. C. Pounds. G. D. Slocum. W. H. Strahan. J. Wallis. P. Y. Waskurn.

*Passed*—D. E. Bullock. W. P. Bullock. O. M. Hobgood. John Spring. James Thomas. P. Y. Waskurn.

*Raised*—T. R. Bickham. D. E. Bullock. Moses Hueman. Henry Spring. D. H. Stringfield.

*Demitted*—J. P. Douglas. Benj. Lanier. J. W. Andrews (E. A.).

*Stricken from the Roll*—J. F. Ard. A. C. Brumfield. William Brumfield, Sr. G. Y. Brumfield. L. H. Bankston. Wm. J. Clark. D. E. Moore. Wm. F. Morris. O. Peak. Welcome Penny. J. M. Simmons. J. J. Singleterry.

## LOUISIANA LODGE, NO. 102.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets, N. O.*

### OFFICERS.

Driver, W C.....	W M	Boardman, T S.....	S D
Harris, Aaron.....	S W	Slack, W H.....	J D
Piderit, Louis.....	J W	Bolles, Rev. E C.....	Chaplain
Nathan, George.....	Treasurer	Binachi, N M }	Stewards
Walton, J B.....	Secretary	Ralli, N }	
Wolf, B J (not a member).....		Tyler.	

### MEMBERS.

Baker, J J	Harris, Alex	MacMurdo, J R
Barbot, J P	Hite, G D	Morgan, P H
Clark, J	Heine, A	Nivens, A A
Corry, F M	Horrell, B M	Prehn, W
Crawcour, I L	Kursheedt, G	Pandorf, C H
Clapp, C B	Lonsdale, H T	Rogers, Jr Thomas
Doane, H	Mott, R	Snapp, L
Freeman, G O K	Mure, John	Seixas, J W
Goodman, D	Mann, J H	Touro, John
Gardner, L H	McKee, R	Vuelle, J C B
Gordon, Charles		

Total—41.

*Initiated*—E. C. Bolles. G. O. K. Freeman. N. Ralli. H. Fassman. R. L. MacMurdo.

*Passed*—E. C. Bolles. G. O. K. Freeman. N. Ralli.

*Raised*—E. C. Bolles. G. O. K. Freeman. J. R. MacMurdo. N. Ralli.

*Affiliated*—T. S. Boardman. J. P. Barbot. L. H. Gardner. Charles Gordon. P. H. Morgan. John Touro. W. L. Driver (E. A.).

*Demitted*—L. H. Gardner.

*Died*—G. O. K. Freeman. D. Goodman.

## CLOUTIERVILLE LODGE, NO. 103.

*Cloutierville, Natchitoches Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Norris, J W.....	W M	Carnahan, John Jr. ....	Secretary
Lamm, E.....	S W	Kyle, Jacob.....	S D
Moreau, A.....	J W	Moreau, P.....	J D
Scruggs, S O.....	Treasurer	Carnahan, Wm.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Cockfield, E J	Morantine, J C	Woods, Richard
Caspari, L	Rogers, R S	
Leroux, J	Rogers, R M	Total—15.

*Initiated*—Wm. Carnahan. E. Lamm. R. M. Rogers. M. Myer.*Passed*—John Carnahan, Jr. Wm. Carnahan. E. Lamm. R. M. Rogers.*Raised*—John Carnahan, Jr. Wm. Carnahan. E. Lamm. R. M. Rogers.*Affiliated*—J. W. Norris. R. S. Rogers.*Demitted*—Jacob Kyle. J. C. Morantine. E. J. Cockfield. L. Caspari.*Died*—Richard Woods.*Stricken from the Roll*—A. G. Rogers (1856).

## MOUNT LEBANON LODGE, NO. 104.

*Mount Lebanon, Bienville Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Thurmond, C G.....	W M	Holstein, G L.....	Secretary
Rogers, J C.....	S W	— — — — —	S D
Brice, John.....	J W	— — — — —	J D
Candler, W L.....	Treasurer	Key, W M.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Courtney, F	Key, R A	Rogers, G W
Candler, F M	Lee, Hanson	Reeves, S W
Egan, B	McCasland, A J	Traylor, Joshua
Egan, J C	Prothro, W B	Vassallo, F N
Edins, W D B	Prescott, J Q	Walker, J H
Hill, A C	Pittman, J S	Total—23.

*Initiated*—O. F. Lewis. W. O. Price. C. J. Humphries (1852).*Demitted*—F. M. Candler.

## TRINITY LODGE, NO. 105.\*

*Trinity, Catahoula Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Péebles, J.....	W M	Wooldridge, J R.....	Secretary
Thomas, S.....	S W	Groves, G G.....	S D
Liddell, A J.....	J W	— — — — —	J D
Shlenker, S.....	Treasurer	Calvert, J D.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Beard, Wm	Damphier, W	Miller, J C
Brooks, J G	Dale, W	Morris, T M
Bennefield, J B	Davis, A J	Miller, John
Boatner, J H	Gibson, J B	Ottis, John
Breithaupt, T	Gilford, N	Ogden, J P
Cooper, J	Gibson, R G	Routh, F
Cotton, G S	Hanes, P	Stewart, M W
Crooks, P	Hughes, J C	Shaw, John
Carter, E	Huffman, B	Thomas, W H
Crooks, S	Kiper, J R B	Turner, J W R
Carter, B M	Kiger, P	Wooten, Sr R G
Campbell, Robt	Kinsey, A B	Wooten, J S
DeArmand, L H	May, G B	Total—45

*Initiated*—T. Breithaupt (1857). B. M. Carter (1857). J. W. Buhaup.*Passed*—T. Breithaupt (1857). B. M. Carter (1857). J. W. Buhaup.*Raised*—T. Breithaupt (1857). B. M. Carter (1857).*Affiliated* (in 1857)—Robt. Campbell. A. B. Kinsey. J. P. Ogden. J. Peebles. J. W. R. Turner.*Died* (in 1857)—A. J. Calvert. J. C. Howard. A. Hartgraves. G. W. Miller. T. Oliver.*Stricken from the Roll* (in 1857)—J. Goodwin. H. Huntington. J. Keenan. Wm. J. Lacey. L. Mayer. J. W. Pullen. J. D. Robertson.

\*These returns embrace the work of 1857 and 1858, this Lodge having made no returns for 1857 at the Annual Communication of 1858.

## VIENNA LODGE, NO. 106.

*Vienna, Jackson Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Otts, Wm P.....	W M	Wade, R A.....	Secretary
Lyles, C W.....	S W	Skinner, Sam'l.....	S D
McLain, John.....	J W	Hines, Wiley.....	J D
Huey, Jr John.....	Treasurer	Hall, Jas M.....	Chaplain
Calcote, Wm C.....	Tyler		

## MEMBERS.

Barmore, H	Harrison, W	Roland, J
Ball, J R	Kinman, J M	Reid, A L W
Beck, Chas	Lyles, Thos	Standifer, T C
Calcote, J W	Legett, S P	Stevens, J H
Colvin, Thos	McKinzie, Wm	Stallings, J G
Coker, W H	Mitchell, J B	Smith, W J
Crowell, J M	Mezelle, J O	Skinner, A H
Colvin, W D	Moses, S	Scarboro, P D
Dobbins, G W	Mayes, J L	Thompson, L H
Dickenson, R M	Mayes, Robt	Tanner, J T
Embry, J M	Otts, J B	Wood, Willis
Gates, B M	Odom, E	Wilder, J B
Goodwin, R P	O'Neal, J S	Waldron, W W
Huthnance, J W H	Pruett, E	Warren, W B
Hines, Stephen	Quinn, M P	Total—53

*Initiated*—G. W. Dobbins. Wiley Hines. Stephen Hines. W. Harrison.  
J. O. Mezelle. Sam'l Skinner. A. H. Skinner. Levy Holland. A. C. Simonton.

*Passed*—G. W. Dobbins. Wiley Hines. Stephen Hines. W. Harrison.  
S. P. Legett. J. O. Mezelle. J. Roland. Sam'l Skinner. A. H. Skinner.  
Levy Holland. A. C. Simonton.

*Raised*—Chas. Beck. G. W. Dobbins. Wiley Hines. Stephen Hines.  
W. Harrison. S. P. Legett. J. O. Mezelle. J. Roland. Sam'l Skinner.  
A. H. Skinner.

*Affiliated*—J. W. H. Huthnance. R. P. Goodwin. R. A. Wade.

*Demitted*—R. M. Dickenson. B. M. Gates. T. C. Standifer.

*Re-Expelled*—Allen Green, May 10, 1858, being re-tried by order of the Grand Lodge.

## SPARTA LODGE, NO. 108.\*

*Sparta, Bienville, Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Dubose, H N.....	W M	Noles, John G.....	Secretary
Baker, B A.....	S W	McCrary, J C.....	S D
Upshaw, James.....	J W	Williamson, W A.....	J D
Cockerham, W S.....	Treasurer	Head, James R.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Blume, J B	Harrell, J A	Melton, J W
Cockerham, John	Holland, S L	Oneal, E B
Cook, James E	Looney, S W	Poole, J
Currey, Leroy	Looney, W B	Paxton, W E
Cooper, Martin	Murphy, C H	Prothro, H M
Collingsworth, O M	Matthews, B H	Scheen, J H
Eldridge, Lewis	McFarland, J P	Warren, E W

Total—29.

*Initiated*—J. B. Blume. S. L. Holland. J. H. Hamilton. D. J. Williams.  
A. Williamson. O. L. Noles. G. W. Kemp. J. L. Pearce. J. L. Moss.  
J. P. Holden.

*Passed*—J. B. Blume. S. L. Holland. J. G. Noles. J. H. Hamilton.  
D. J. Williams. A. Williamson.

*Raised*—J. B. Blume. S. L. Holland. J. G. Noles.

*Affiliated*—Martin Cooper. O. M. Collingsworth.

*Demitted*—James E. Cook. Leroy Currey. S. W. Looney.

## CASTOR LODGE, NO. 109.

*Castor, Caldwell Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

De Graffenreidt, W L.....	W M	Hargrove, W P.....	S D
Hampton, John.....	S W	Baggents, M.....	J D
Erwin, B R.....	J W	McLeland, F.....	} Stewards
Webb, Seborn.....	Treasurer	Coates, W E.....	
Raymond, Wm M.....	Secretary	Brown, James.....	Tyler

\*Received since closing of the Grand Lodge, and not reported on by Committee, but very correctly made—not one error in them.—GRAND SECRETARY.



## MEMBERS.

Allen, B W	Gomillion, E S	Ramsey, D B
Butler, H M	Garrett, G W	Roberts, E M
Baggents, G W	Holloway, M H	Rosenfield, L
Brian, Francis	Hundley, A L	Sikes, John
Coon, A F	Hagard, M	Thomas, D B
Clark, W A	Moffat, G C	Wood, A B
Franton, John	Nettles, J J	Womack, Wm
Fowler, J A	Nettles, W T	Total—33.

*Initiated*—F. McLeland.

*Passed*—F. McLeland. J. D. Crow.

*Raised*—F. McLeland.

*Affiliated*—B. R. Erwin. G. W. Garrett.

*Demitted*—A. L. Hundley. J. J. Nettles. L. Rosenfield. M. H. Holloway.

*Expelled*—G. W. Baggents.

*Reinstated*—G. W. Baggents.

## HARRISONBURG LODGE, NO. 110.

*Harrisonburg, Catahoula Parish, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Tew, Wm M.....	W M	Griffin, Wm .....	Secretary
Wells, George H.....	S W	Conn, Abraham .....	S D
Cany, Samuel C.....	J W	Hynes, T O.....	J D
Marks, David.....	Treasurer	Lannis, Jacob.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Beaman, Carter	Green, H L	Pritchard, D M
Cohen, Jacob A	Hodkins, E L	Peace, J B
Dosher, John	Hudnall, E F	Phillips, A R
Duke, C O	Hanks, T W	Roach, David
Davis, A B	Kendall, F	Small, B S
Dosson, M H	Lanehart, Jesse	Splawn, Eli
Evans, Henry	Levystein, A	Sheffield, J P
Fleishman, Isaac	Mayer, L	Sherwood, Isaac D
Fairbanks, E J	Mecom, Hardy	Stamper, J M
Gaulden, Wm S	McCluer, S W	Shlenker, Isaac
Green, T L	McCullom, W H	Wall, A A
reen, C S	Norris, R H	Total—43.

*Initiated*—Wm. Griffin. J. B. Branbrick. W. B. Spencer.

*Passed*—Wm. Griffin.

*Raised*—Wm. Griffin. T. W. Hanks.

*Affiliated*—S. C. Cuny.

*Demitted*—J. B. Peace.

*Died*—J. Doshier. E. J. Fairbanks. A. A. Wall.

## URIM LODGE, NO. 111.

*Forksville, Ouachita Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Fuller, W M .....	W M	Bishop, Caldwell .....	Secretary
Martin, Seneca .....	S W	Calhoun, A .....	S D
Sheppard, A W .....	J W	Butler, J J .....	J D
Collins, Isaac .....	Treasurer	Sheppard, F M .....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Arant, Peter	Inabriett, J D	Richardson, J C
Bryan, W H	McGeehee, J W	Simpson, Thomas L
Barrs, John M	Milling, J H	Sheppard, John F
Bishop, J M	McVickers, John	Simmons, J T
Brett, L L	Marks, F N	Simmons, W A
Collins, W A	McCarty, J L	Stegall, J W
Craig, J A	McClendon, R W	Stegall, B C
Duncan, L	Nobles, J H	Simmons, J R
Dickerson, A T	Nettles, Isham R	Thompson, Wm
Friend, Edwin	O'Neal, Mitchel	Willson, H M
Gainey, Richard	Puckett, J E	Watson, T J
Head, Daniel	Patrick, W W	Willson, J M
Harris, Wesley	Parker, J F	Wise, Moses
Huey, Isaiah		

Total—48.

*Initiated*—J. A. Craig. A. Calhoun. Isaiah Huey. J. F. Parker. D. D. Turner.

*Passed*—J. A. Craig. A. Calhoun. Isaiah Huey. J. F. Parker.

*Raised*—J. A. Craig. A. Calhoun. Isaiah Huey. J. F. Parker. Moses Wise.

*Affiliated*—F. N. Marks. J. L. McCarty. J. D. Inabriett (1857).

*Demitted*—L. Duncan.

## BARTHOLOMEW LODGE, NO. 112.

*Plantersville, Morehouse Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Washburn, A S.....	W M	Hilliard, J M.....	Secretary
Stewart, Chas.....	S W	McCrory, John.....	S D
Cole, H B.....	J W	Buncley, R P.....	J D
Simpson, Thos.....	Treasurer	Delamar, Nelson.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Averiett, W J	Hunter, Henry	Moore, John
Blount, J H	Holloway, Jesse	Miller, P S
Baker, J W	Harrison, W G	Mayo, W R
Buford, P	Heard, S F	Moore, D
Buncley, Ransom	Jones, T M	Overby, H
Bussy, J F	Jones, A W	Rhymes, W A
Brewer, A H	Jones, W M	Russum, J J
Busby, Z T	Jackson, W R	Russum, W J
Bennett, R F	Knox, R J	Richmond, A J
Cammack, A J	Knox, J S	Stewart, Thos
Dennard, T F	Kimbrough, G W	Trodon, Wm
Duckworth, E D	Kimbrough, T T	Worley, S N
Duckworth, J C	Kimbrough, J A	Wilson, A J
Daniel, E L	Kelly, John	Wooten, E B
Edwards, T H	Murrell, D	Ward, W R
Edwards, J H		

Total—54

*Initiated*—A. J. Cammack. A. W. Jones. J. A. Kimbrough. W. R. Ward.  
J. C. Worley.

*Passed*—A. J. Cammack. A. W. Jones. J. A. Kimbrough. W. R. Ward.  
J. C. Worley.

*Raised*—A. J. Cammack. A. W. Jones. J. A. Kimbrough. A. J. Richmond.  
W. R. Ward.

*Affiliated*—J. W. Baker. A. H. Brewer. H. B. Cole. Henry Hunter.  
W. M. Jones. John Kelly. P. S. Miller. W. R. Mayo. Chas. Stewart  
Thos. Stewart. E. B. Wooten.

*Demitted*—J. H. Blount. Henry Hunter. S. F. Heard. J. J. Russum.  
W. J. Russum. Wm. Trodon. S. N. Worley. A. J. Wilson.

*Died*—W. G. Harrison.

*Stricken from the Roll*—D. Murrell.

## THOMAS JEFFERSON LODGE, NO. 113.

*Spears' Store, Union Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Spears, W L.....	W M	Griffin, S H.....	Secretary
Goyne, J R.....	S W	Cobb, J M.....	S D
Calloway, W G.....	J W	Harrell, B F.....	J D
Kilgore, T B.....	Treasurer	Hunt, A J.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Abbott, D I	Henderson, Wm	McTyre, R G.
Cambell, M Q	Jameson, D M	Moore, W T
Cobb, Jr Geo	Landers, W J	Morrison, J P
Cobb, H B	Lee, S C	Post, J M
Cobb, S T	Lockhart, A D	Smith, T M
Clingpost, J M	Lindsey, M J	Spears, J B
Davis, S C	Lowe, W H	Spears, J P
Dennis, J G	McAdams, Isaac F	Thornton, M H
Dean, Wm	McCaskel, C	Wamble, Henry
Hayes, J		Total—36

*Initiated*—J. M. Clingpost. W. T. Moore.*Passed*—J. M. Clingpost. W. T. Moore.*Raised*—J. M. Clingpost. W. T. Moore.*Affiliated*—Geo. Cobb, Jr. J. M. Cobb. H. B. Cobb. Sam'l T. Cobb.  
J. P. Morrison.*Demitted*—Geo. Cobb, Jr. W. J. Landers. A. D. Lockhart. R. G. McTyre.  
T. M. Smith.*Died*—S. C. Davis.*Suspended*—D. M. Jameson.

## FRIENDSHIP LODGE, NO. 114.

*Woodville, Jackson Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Jones, John W.....	W M	Smith, B F.....	Secretary
Conger, J.....	S W	Polk, T R.....	S D
Redwine, M C.....	J W	Tatum, H.....	J D
Battle, James E.....	Treasurer	Campbell, Thomas.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bond, W F	Harris, E W	Powell, J A
Davis, R E	Jones, A H	Russ, R E
Garner, S H	Knight, M P	Sherrard, R J
Grey, H J	Lane, O S	Tarver, R M
Howell, N N	Polk, H M	Tannyhill, D W
Hemphill, T	Payne, Thomas	Williams, Martin

Total—26.

*Demitted*—H. M. Polk. J. A. Powell. (In 1856)—W. T. Bills. F. L. Mitchell.  
M. D. McLain. W. G. Turner.

*Suspended*—(1856)—H. W. Sherrard.

## SHREVEPORT LODGE, NO. 115.

*Shreveport, Caddo Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Jones, J W.....	W M	Ritchie, Vincent.....	Secretary
McWilliams, J G.....	S W	Lindley, R H.....	S D
Hunsucker, H.....	J W	Jacobs, B.....	J D
Brownlee, J H.....	Treasurer	Thompson, J D.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Cooke, Robert	Howerton, H H	Simpson, T R
Crain, L P	Haber, S	Shoemaker, W R
Dunnam, M A	Ivey, W A	Watson, M
Eaken, D W	McLelland, J N	Williamson, George
Folsome, W M	Pitts, T H	Waldron, F M
Hotchkiss, T P	Slaughter, A	

Total—25.

*Initiated*—Bailey Peace. A. J. Stacey.

*Passed*—M. A. Dunnam.

*Raised*—M. A. Dunnam. J. N. McLelland.

*Affiliated*—J. D. Thompson.

## ACACIA LODGE, NO. 116.

*Plaquemine, Iberville Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Browne, H S.....	W M	Jumel, Allen.....	Secretary
Marcot, John.....	S W	Schmalenski, S.....	S D
Warden, Samuel.....	J W	Savory, Ira J.....	J D
Arceneaux, E A.....	Treasurer	Landry, M.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS

Boote, W R	Hall, B R	St. Amant, A
Blanchard, A	Henning, H E	Testard, J E
Chauvin, J	Lauve, G	Toffier, A
Comaux, J J	Orcutt, Ira E	Troxeter, G
Gotcher, J S	Pierce, D B	Troxeter, M
Hebert, P O	Sullivan, J	Winn, E G    Total—26.

*Initiated*—Allen Jumel.    F. A. Carl.*Passed*—Allen Jumel.*Raised*—Allen Jumel.*Demitted*—D. B. Pierce.*Died*—J. Sullivan.    M. Troxeter.*Reinstated*—G. Lauve.

## MILFORD LODGE, NO. 117.

*Manchac Settlement, East Baton Rouge, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Burnett, W L.....	W M	Singeltary, T J.....	Secretary
Freeman, J J.....	S W	Delaune, J .....	S D
Keller, G W.....	J W	Dixon, A.....	J D
Turner, Wm.....	Treasurer	Tarlton, J T.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Aucoin, P	Comaux, J D	Hampton, J S
Abramson, H	Coleman, E	Parish, R D
Adams, O	Dixson, M	Pryme, F E
Adams, John	Dixson, E A	Piker, J F
Brown, T W	Doiron, E	Smith, T M
Brown, Wm	Delerry, James	Smith, Alex
Brown, T Z	Evans, D T	Webb, C C
Bixler, J B	Garig, Geo	Total—31.

*Initiated*—Geo. Garig. T. J. Singeltary. O. H. Felder. E. Cooper. J. E. Lee.  
John Noblet. B. Singeltary.

*Passed*—George Garig. T. J. Singeltary. O. H. Felder.

*Raised*—George Garig. T. J. Singeltary.

*Demitted*—Alex. Smith.

*Died*—D. T. Evans. James E. Lee (E. A.).

## TERRYVILLE LODGE, NO. 118.

*Quay P. O., Claiborne Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Williams, C T.....	W M	Duty, L A.....	Secretary
Dormon, J M.....	S W	Lesueur, J A M.....	S D
Knowles, J E.....	J W	Parker, J A.....	J D
Knowles, G W.....	Treasurer	Brewer, J A.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allen, J E	Payne, P	Robison, J A
Balance, J R	Robison, W S	Trussell, J Total—14.

*Initiated*—J. A. Brewer. J. M. Dormon. J. E. Knowles.

*Passed*—J. A. Brewer. J. M. Dormon. J. E. Knowles.

*Raised*—J. A. Brewer. J. M. Dormon. J. E. Knowles.

*Affiliated*—G. W. Knowles. P. Payne. C. T. Williams.

*Demitted*—P. Payne. W. S. Robison.

## CONSTANTINE LODGE, NO. 119.

*Waterproof, Tensas Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Womack, J P.....	W M	Lynch, W F.....	Secretary
Smokey, J J.....	S W	Penny, J H.....	S D
Guice, J.....	J W	Murray, J G D.....	J D
Fischel, Sam'l.....	Treasurer	Murphy, N.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Adams, J D	Hall, T C	Miller, P H
Baker, F M	Hendry, M	Perkins, J F
Brown, H M	Huggins, W D	Preston, Z
Brown, G M	Hughes, W G	Parish, J
Brannin, R	Hunsicker, J	Roy, A J
Clifton, D C	Jump, P	Rogillio, M L
Dieffenwirth, P H	Jolly, C	Reed, L A
Drake, H W	Matthews, P H	Trueman, H G
Griffen, T J	McCullough, J	Trueman, J M
Gorton, J	McCullough, H	Vick, A J
Gorton, F A	McBride, R W	Wise, D
Griswold, E P	McGalliard, J T	Weast, G W
Gordon, W C		Total—45.

*Initiated*—D. C. Powell. W. W. Walker.*Passed*—D. C. Powell.*Affiliated*—J. D. Adams. W. C. Gordon. J. Guice. L. A. Reed. J. J. Smokey.*Demitted*—J. T. McGalliard. J. F. Perkins. J. Parish.

## DEERFIELD LODGE, NO. 120.

*Deerfield, Carroll Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Trezevant, G W.....	W M	Purvis, W C.....	Secretary
Callaway, J H.....	S W	Trezevant, J P.....	S D
Doggett, W T.....	J W	Scott, W M.....	J D
Stovall, J L.....	Treasurer	McDonald, Joel.....	Tyler



## MEMBERS.

Armstrong, A	Mabin, W J	Oliver, T F
Balf, N S	Mabin, Isaac	Simms, L
Cater, G R	McCay, Wm	Slider, C R
Carroll, James	Munholland, L M	Stephens, W H
Holly, J D	Munholland, M M	Wolf, J H
Horn, John	Mosely, J W	Wright, Jacob

Total—26.

*Initiated*—A. Armstrong. W. T. Doggett. W. C. Purvis. W. B. Eddins.*Passed*—A. Armstrong. W. T. Doggett. W. C. Purvis. W. B. Eddins.*Raised*—A. Armstrong. W. T. Doggett. W. C. Purvis.*Affiliated*—G. R. Cater.*Demitted*—J. W. Mosely.*Died*—John Horn.

## LISBON LODGE, NO. 121.

*Lisbon, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Pennington, T H	W M	Sparks, E	S D
Hester, W D	S W	Tait, C H	J D
Carpenter, E	J W	Coleman, W G	} Stewards
Cook, James	Treasurer	Duke, J J	
Coleman, Benj R	Secretary	Aiken, J	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brooks, J C	Hester, E P	Todd, W W
Coleman, T B	Kimbell, G W	Tatum, S
Cross, W H	Mitchell, W P	Waugh, G W
Fuller, S J	Pool, T W	Williams, J H
Garlington, M D	Tait, J M	Wheless, R L
Harris, Eli		

Total—26.

*Initiated*—M. D. Garlington. W. P. Mitchell. L. R. Lay.*Passed*—M. D. Garlington. W. P. Mitchell. L. R. Lay.*Raised*—M. D. Garlington. W. P. Mitchell.*Demitted*—S. J. Fuller. E. P. Hester. T. W. Pool. R. L. Wheless. Pleasant Traylor (f. c.).*Reinstated*—Pleasant Traylor (f. c.).

# MACKEY LODGE, NO. 122.

*Ringgold, Bienville Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Cawthon, J D.....	W M	Kolb, Alex J .....	Secretary
Theus, J C.....	S W	Allums, B S.....	S D
Shehee, T S.....	J W	Allums, W D.....	J D
Prothro, T L.....	Treasurer	Williams, David .....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brown, H T	Davis, W G	Ross, Guy
Bryan, James	Davis, E W	Scott, John H
Bryan, J B	Davis, F B	Shehee, H D
Bryan, T C	Howe, Benj	Stiles, Richard
Cawthon, W M D	Munroe, James	Thomas, J B
Cawthon, A T	Manning, Simon	Tooke, J J
Cawthon, G W	McDuffie, G W	Vickers, J J
Coster, W H	Manning, B M	Watts, J C
Caldwell, J A		
		Total—32.

*Passed*—J. R. Bosley.

*Raised*—David Williams.

*Affiliated*—Benjamin Howe. Guy Ross.

*Demitted*—F. B. Davis. Benjamin Howe. J. J. Vickers.

*Died*—Simon Manning.

# LIBERTY LODGE, NO. 123.

*Keachi, DeSoto Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Turner, W M.....	W M	Wood, Frank E.....	Secretary
Horn, C N.....	S W	Scogin, T L.....	S D
Holmes, Robt.....	J W	Cater, W G.....	J D
Hall, Elias.....	Treasurer	Hudnall, J W.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Atkins, J G	Gatlin, T M	Rochelle, T W
Abbingtion, T W	Guill, Josiah	Scogin, L G
Birdsong, M J	Headrick, G	Stanley, W G
Boney, W G	Lacey, W A	Sample, T C
Brantley, J L	Land, S L	Sanders, W J
Britton, T W	McNamara, M	Thompson, D
Foster, Flavel	Rochelle, J L	Wells, D S
		Total—29.

*Initiated*—Elias Hall. T. C. Sample. W. J. Sanders. W. G. Stanley.  
W. B. Murry.

*Passed*—Elias Hall. T. C. Sample. W. J. Sanders. W. G. Stanley.

*Raised*—Elias Hall. S. L. Land. T. C. Sample. W. J. Sanders. W. G. Stanley.

*Affiliated*—T. W. Abbingtion.

*Died*—J. L. Brantley.

## KELLERTOWN LODGE, NO. 124.

*Kellertown, East Feliciana, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Norwood, A J.....	W M	Relly, Saml W.....	Secretary
Freeman, Z.....	S W	Gore, C.....	S D
Palmer, C S.....	J W	White, J A.....	J D
Coleman, E N.....	Treasurer	Stanley, W H.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bankston, A C	Jeter, S L	Robinson, H D
Bethany, R F	McGraw, T L	Roberts, H D
Culbreath, A R	McCraine, A	Reily, J C
Crisp, W M	McNeil, C	Roberts, H D
Ceffert, C T	McQueen, N	Sellers, J C
Casey, Z	Nesmith, F J	Singletery, J C
Eagle, J J	Newsom, J W	Smith, J B
Gayle, L G	Norwood, S J	Stafford, J C
Graves, B	Palmer, R P	Stafford, S W
Graves, T J	Palmer, L A	Sims, W A
Hudson, J S	Palmer, W F	Tonsineau, D
Hunt, J M	Palmer, M W	Worsham, J H
Hunt, W W	Pemble, T W	Wood, Charles
Hughes, Wm	Pemble, R J	Williams, M B
James, John	Redhead, J	Total—52.

*Initiated*—Z. Casey. S. J. Norwood. H. D. Roberts. J. C. Reily. H. D. Roberts. S. A. Cobb.

*Passed*—Z. Casey. S. J. Norwood. H. D. Roberts. J. C. Reily. H. D. Roberts. M. B. Williams. S. A. Cobb.

*Raised*—Z. Casey. S. J. Norwood. H. D. Roberts. J. C. Reily. H. D. Roberts. J. H. Worsham. Charles Wood. M. B. Williams.

*Affiliated*—C. T. Ceffert.

*Demitted*—W. M. Crisp. J. J. Engle. J. S. Hudson. J. W. Newsom. J. C. Stafford. W. A. Sims.

*Died*—W. M. Crisp.

## PEARL RIVER LODGE, NO. 125.

*Line Academy, Washington Parish, La., Fordsville P. O., Miss.*

### OFFICERS.

Ard, Jas F.....	W M	Johnson, H W.....	Secretary
Rankin, W J.....	S W	Seale, J C.....	S D
Ard, Joseph .....	J W	Harvey, A A.....	J D
Daniel, Robt.....	Treasurer	Pigott, Isaac N.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Adams, S W	Fortenberry, W G	Rankin, G W
Adams, W H	Hardy, A	Rouse, C R
Amacker, J A	Humphrey, B H	Rester, W
Baxter, James	Magee, Liah	Ryall, J B
Byrd, D S	Mageehee, D L	Simmons, Wm
Forbes, A J	Moody, John	Smith, James
Forbes, N C	Newman, J B	Tate, T W A G
Ford, J W	Pearson, Isaac	Warren, W C
Ford, J M	Pigot, N	Warren, D R
Ford, Watson	Rankin, W M	Warren, S J
Fornea, T J	Rankin, J W	Warren, J B W
Fornea, J A		Total—42

*Initiated*—James Baxter. J. B. Newman.

*Passed*—James Baxter. J. B. Newman. Isaac N. Pigott. J. B. Ryall.

*Raised*—James Baxter. N. C. Forbes. J. B. Newman. Isaac N. Pigott. J. B. Ryall. Wm. Simmons.

*Demitted*—D. L. Mageehee. J. B. W. Warren.

## ARCADIA LODGE, NO. 126.\*

*Arcadia, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Searcy, R M.....	W M	Wheaton, R. J.....	Secretary
Rich, Josiah.....	S W	Givens, Wm T.....	S D
Fields, Wm J.....	J W	Harrell, John.....	J D
Butler, John R.....	Treasurer	Gray, John F.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Aswell, B W	Cobb, Ira G	Moore, W
Brice, James	Clampit, G N	Mitchell, F L
Brown, Samuel	Deloney, M	McGuire, Thomas
Buys, James	Drago, John	McGuire, James A
Billings, E	Elliott, R L	Matthews, A A
Butler, B F	Givens, J A H	Ragan, W W
Brice, Wm	Givens, John D	Smart, S S
Brown, J F	Henderson, P	Tilley, Wm
Baker, Darius	Lucas, W A	Thompson, A F
Clement, J C	Mitchell, B S	Winfrey, A B C

Total—38.

*Initiated*—R. L. Elliott. W. J. Fields. James A. McGuire. Elijah Gipson.  
H. Hammontree.

*Passed*—R. L. Elliott. W. J. Fields. James A. McGuire. A. A. Matthews.

*Raised*—R. L. Elliott. W. J. Fields. James A. McGuire. A. A. Matthews.

*Affiliated*—James Brice. James Buys. J. C. Clement. S. S. Smart.

*Demitted*—B. F. Butler. Wm. Brice. John Drago. R. L. Elliott. W. A. Lucas.  
W. W. Ragan. A. F. Thompson. A. B. C. Winfrey.

*Died*—John F. Brown.

## SPRINGHILL LODGE, NO. 127.

*Springhill Church, Union Cross Roads, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Moore, James.....	W M	Hopkins, J W.....	Secretary
Wood, O P.....	S W	Cook, B P.....	S D
Dawkins, D D.....	J W	Caskey, S P.....	J D
McFadden, T M.....	Treasurer	Everett, Rev J P.....	Chaplain
Garner, T J.....			Tyler

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\* Received since closing of the Grand Lodge, and not reported on by the Committee.

## MEMBERS.

Andrews, J T B	Everett, T M	Moore, T L
Buckly, H L	Echols, J B	Murphy, G W
Burk, G H	Goldsby, P R	McVicker, P H
Caskey, J W	Green, J E	McBride, D
Caskey, W H	Green, J H	Pistole, A
Caskey, A F	Gully, H C	Stripling, A G
Caskey, J N	Gully, S L	Stripling, A L
Creath, J A	Hambric, J	Tucker, D J
Cammack, E E	Harper, P C	Watkins, James
Clowe, C W	Johnson, A W	Watkins, John
Daniel, M E	Johnson, Z	Watkins, D A
Dennis, J N	Kelly, John	White, J T
		Total—45.

*Initiated*—J. N. Caskey. T. M. Everett. S. L. Gully. J. Kelly. A. L. Stripling.  
T. H. Callaway. W. T. Poole. D. H. Stripling.

*Passed*—J. N. Caskey. T. M. Everett. J. H. Green. H. C. Gully. S. L. Gully.  
John Kelly. A. G. Stripling. A. L. Stripling.

*Raised*—J. N. Caskey. T. M. Everett. J. H. Green. H. C. Gully. S. L. Gully.  
John Kelly. A. G. Stripling. A. L. Stripling.

*Demitted*—P. R. Goldsby.

*Died*—G. H. Burk.

## D'ARBONNE LODGE, NO. 128.

*D'Arbonne Academy, Union Parish, La.*

[Surrendered her Charter December 29th, 1858.]

## MEMBERS.

Auld, J W	Honeycutt, A	Owens, J F
Butler, W W	Johnson, G W	Rossiter, W H
Dring, J	Landers, J B	Shultz, J R
Grice, J N	McCormick, F	Taylor, E
Hicks, J G	McCormick, W B	Williams, J
Hicks, G W	Millsaps, Thos	Wells, G W
Henry, R H		
		Total—19

*Passed*—J. W. Auld. W. H. Rossiter.

*Raised*—J. W. Auld. W. W. Butler. J. G. Hicks. W. H. Rossiter.  
G. W. Wells.

*Expelled*—G. W. Hicks. J. W. Johnson (tried by Union Fraternal Lodge, No. 53).

*Demitted*—All the members of the above Lodge were regularly Demitted at their meeting of December 29th, 1858, except the three First Officers, who have been since demitted by the Grand Lodge, February 17th, 1859.

## DAWSON LODGE, NO. 129.\*

*Scottsville, Union Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Gilbert, J S.....	W M	Thompson, R E.....	Secretary
Thompson, V V.....	S W	Killgore, Robt.....	S D
Gilbert, T J.....	J W	Gray, Seaborn.....	J D
Denton, Eli.....	Treasurer	Moore, E.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Arrington, J V	Massey, Thos	Skinner, James
Britton, N	Milner, O	Stanley, J E
Corry, N A	Massey, A	Thornton, B F
Cate, J W	Murry, Robt	Thompson, Jno C
Godley, J L	Pursley, G T	Thompson, C Jasper
Hart, R J	Pye, B J	Thompson, Jno L
Killgore, G M		Total—27

*Initiated*—J. W. Cate (1857). O. Milner (1857). B. J. Pye. J. E. Stanley. B. F. Thornton. B. F. Cate. T. W. Bruce. A. D. Ponder. M. Wasson. S. H. Newland (1857).

*Passed*—J. W. Cate (1857). O. Milner (1857). B. J. Pye. J. E. Stanley. B. F. Thornton. B. F. Cate.

*Raised*—J. W. Cate (1857). O. Milner (1857). B. J. Pye. J. E. Stanley. B. F. Thornton.

*Affiliated*—(in 1857) J. V. Arrington. N. A. Corry. Thos. Massey. (In 1858) J. W. Cate. Seaborn Gray. R. J. Hart. J. L. Thompson.

*Demitted*—G. M. C. Raney (1857). G. M. Killgore.

*Died*—C. Jasper Thompson.

*Suspended*—J. V. Arrington.

\*These returns embrace the work of 1857 and 1858, this Lodge having failed to make any Returns at the Annual Communication of 1858.

## SOLOMON LODGE, NO. 130.

*Goodrich Landing, Pecan Grove Post Office, Carroll Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Mershon, Thomas.....	W M	Smith, A C.....	Secretary
Goodrich, Henry.....	S W	Morgan, M.....	S D
Manning, A S.....	J W	Hanna, P H.....	J D
Bledsoe, W F.....	Treasurer	Richardson, H.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Atkins, Chas	Goodrich, Silas	Richardson, J A
Bledsoe, C	Guire, E	Sale, Johnson
Castleman, D F	Mershon, Wyatt	Scarborough, Thomas
Deeson, J S	Morgan, O T	Shaw, Henry
Deeson, W M	Morgan, O J	Walker, S R
Evans, T M	McLean, Samuel	Total—25.

*Initiated*—W. E. Isonhood. L. R. Eatman.*Passed*—A. C. Smith. W. E. Isonhood.*Raised*—A. C. Smith.

## SHILOH LODGE, NO. 131.

*Shiloh, Union Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Pleasant, R G.....	W M	White, J C B.....	Secretary
Faucher, J W.....	S W	Cranford, James.....	S D
Fuller, D W.....	J W	Moore, G W.....	J D
Tubb, Benjamin.....	Treasurer	Fuller, L B.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Byram, Q A	Fitzgerald, W C	Knott, J C
Bagwell, Bayliss	Findly, L T	Little, M
Breed, Walker	Green, D H	Leach, J A
Brittain, B B	Green, A	Ligau, J L
Cranford, J W	Hopkins, Wm	Oxford, A B
Clarke, J R	Heard, W C	Porter, T
Callaway, A M	Heath, Joel	Patrick, Thomas



Callaway, J C	Huffman, R	Sutton, W
Edmunds, John	Harris, A W	Tubb, Jesse
Edwards, C	Harris, D M	Williams, John
Fuller, Bery	Heard, S S	Wade, A
Fuller, S M	Heard, C A	Weldon, J M
Fuller, J F	Henry, C J	Weldon, W R
Fuller, E G	Johnson, Jr J H	Total—49.

*Passed*—J. A. Hammock.

*Raised*—C. A. Heard.

*Affiliated*—A. B. Oxford.

*Demitted*—J. C. Callaway. J. F. Fuller. D. H. Green. A. Green. Joel Heath. D. M. Harris. J. H. Johnson, Jr. Jesse Tubb. John Williams. A. Wade.

*Stricken from the Roll*—J. A. Leach.

## WARREN LODGE, NO. 132.

*Winnsboro', Franklin Parish, Louisiana.*

### OFFICERS.

Pettit, Joseph.....	W M	Joyce, W H.....	Secretary
Osborn, M S.....	S W	Zim, Lewis.....	S D
Washburn, Miles.....	J W	Wheatley, J C.....	J D
Osborn, A F.....	Treasurer	Head, J H.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Butler, John	Hamilton, S G	Moore, John
Block, Herman	Hooter, J W	Merrett, Jonathan
Cutter, E W	Hower, N L	McCalep, A R
Chandler, R W	Love, J H	Nash, Jas N
Davidson, A J	Moore, A D	Randolph, Jesse M
Greenwell, S W	Moore, J L	Ward, L S
Greenlee, J S		Total—27.

*Initiated*—J. C. Wheatley. T. A. Wooldridge. D. C. Thomason.

*Passed*—R. W. Chandler. A. F. Osborn. J. C. Wheatley. T. A. Wooldridge.

J. N. Prewitt. W. E. Rapp. R. C. Redfield.

*Raised*—R. W. Chandler. J. S. Greenlee. N. L. Hower. W. H. Joyce.

A. F. Osborn. J. C. Wheatley.

*Affiliated*—Lewis Zim.

*Demitted*—Jas. N. Nash. John Butler.

## GORDY LODGE, NO. 133.

*Cheneyville, Ia.*

## OFFICERS.

Pearce, Jno W.....	W M	Scott, Wm H.....	Secretary
Stafford, L A.....	S W	Audibert, J H.....	S D
Gould, V.....	J W	Frith, T P.....	J D
McCormick, C G.....	Treasurer	Drinkard, J G.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Branch, L K	Hendricks, R W	Riggs, W H
Callihan, D M	Hart, Robt	Stewart, W H
Clements, Thos	Irwin, R R	Slaughter, S
Cheney, W F	Keary, P F	Thomas, J W
Chappel, J A	Marshall, G B	Wells, M
Ewell, John	Marshall, W B	Washington, R W
Ewell, W M	Robert, J J	Wish, Isham
Ferguson, H B	Robertson, A J	Ward, Ambrose
Gale, Josiah		Total—33.

*Initiated*—G. B. Marshall. Isham Wish. W. L. Pearce. S. H. Rushing.  
J. A. Williams.

*Passed*—Robt. Hart. G. B. Marshall. Isham Wish.

*Raised*—Robt. Hart. G. B. Marshall. Isham Wish.

*Affiliated*—W. H. Riggs. Ambrose Ward.

*Demitted*—R. W. Washington.

## HARRY HILL LODGE, NO. 134.

*Bastrop, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Parsons, S G.....	W M	Hall, W T.....	Secretary
Pettiss, E B.....	S W	Higman, J W.....	S D
Monette, James.....	J W	Harrison, B.....	J D
McFee, Wm.....	Treasurer	Tisdale, G F.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Briscoe, R B	Kemp, H B	Starsney, Edward
Brice, W N	Knox, A A H	Silbernagle, W
Bobo, A J	Matthews, J B	Todd, R B
Buntin, J L	Norsworthy, T	Weeks, J C
Brigham, J H	Petitt, James	Wynn, R W
Briscoe, J B	Pipes, John	Worley, A T
Curtis, H	Ross, E K W	Whetstone, J A
Collier, D S	Ross, Isaac A	Young, G W
Hinson, R M	Stevens, J H	Total—33.

*Initiated*—J. W. Higman. B. Harrison. J. D. Howell. Dennis Rooks  
D. H. Silman.

*Passed*—J. W. Higman. W. T. Hall. B. Harrison. John Davis.

*Raised*—J. W. Higman. W. T. Hall. B. Harrison. James Monette.

*Affiliated*—H. Curtis. D. S. Collier. E. B. Pettiss. Isaac A. Ross.

*Demitted*—John Pipes. G. W. Young.

*Died*—R. W. Wynn. J. A. Whetstone.

## PLAINS LODGE, NO. 135.

*Plains, East Baton Rouge, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Young, H C.....	W M	Newport, R W Y.....	Secretary
Nettles, J D.....	S W	Carney, J P.....	S D
McCartney, James.....	J W	Behrens, G F.....	J D
Young, R T.....	Treasurer	Pennington, A J.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Black, N	Knox, J C	Raualdson, L R
Caldwell, John	Lilley, J Y	Ranaldson, W B
Chaney, W S	Loudon, J M	Rist, John Jr
Cole, J W	McRae, W D L	Sherburne, W L
Dickson, W A	McLaughlin, T	Tate, Wilson
Groom, J R	McHugh, J A	Whitaker, John B
Henderson, D J	Neville, A M	Young, Wm
Jones, J W	Netterville, G P	
Kirkland, J D A	Nettles, Joseph A	Total—33.

*Initiated*—N. Black. R. W. Y. Newport. W. L. Sherburne. Wilson Tate.  
*Passed*—N. Black. R. W. Y. Newport. W. L. Sherburne. Wilson Tate.  
*Raised*—N. Black. G. F. Beherns. R. W. Y. Newport. W. L. Sherburne.  
Wilson Tate.  
*Affiliated*—John Rist, Jr.  
*Demitted*—John Caldwell.  
*Died*—W. S. Chaney. Joseph A. Nettles.

### ATHENS LODGE, NO. 136.

*Athens, Louisiana.*

#### OFFICERS.

Hays, C L.....	W M	Ramsey, John R.....	Secretary
Hadley, John.....	S W	Methoin, D J.....	S D
Brown, E A D.....	J W	Cargill, D.....	J D
Kennon, R M.....	Treasurer	Leatherman, Thomas.....	Tyler

#### MEMBERS.

Almand, S W	Johnson, C R	Miller, S B
Bowlware, R P	Leverett, W G	Pate, A W
Cargill, W T	McClendon, H H	Walker, G W
Cargill, J C	Mitchel, A	Walker, N H
Hardee, W T	Martin, N A	Ward, W W
		Total—23.

*Initiated*—A. Mitchel. D. J. Methoin. N. A. Martin. E. Martin. C. P. King.

*Passed*—A. Mitchel. D. J. Methoin. N. A. Martin. E. Martin.

*Raised*—A. Mitchel. D. J. Methoin. N. A. Martin.

*Demitted*—C. R. Johnson. H. H. McClendon. G. W. Walker.

*Died*—C. P. King (E. A.).

## JEFFERSONIAN LODGE, NO. 138.

*Jefferson Mills, Kingston P. O., De Soto Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Tomkies, L L.....	W M	Frierson, W S.....	Secretary
Scott, L F.....	S W	Scott, W C.....	S D
Lester, T M.....	J W	Scott, Thomas.....	J D
Durham, W T.....	Treasurer	Graves, J A .....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Best, E R	Jackson, C J	Ridgeway, R R
Best, T J	Lester, B L	Rives, G W
Beard, J H	McKnight, W A	Tomkies, John F
Graves, C W	Prim, Thomas	Total—19.

*Initiated*—T. J. Best. W. S. Frierson. C. W. Graves. Thomas Scott.*Passed*—T. J. Best. W. S. Frierson. C. W. Graves. Thomas Scott.*Raised*—T. J. Best. W. S. Frierson. C. W. Graves. Thomas Scott.*Affiliated*—J. A. Graves. C. J. Jackson. G. W. Rives.*Demitted*—J. H. Beard. R. R. Ridgeway. C. W. Graves.

## HOUMA LODGE, NO. 139.

*Houma, Parish of Terrebonne, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Jennings, J L.....	W M	Newell, H.....	Secretary
Dunn, J B.....	S W	Aycock, J.....	S D
Pelton, J M.....	J W	Delaporte, A J.....	J D
Gagné, F.....	Treasurer	Gagné, E O.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bisland, J R	Gray, W F	Mooring, W H.
Buford, Thomas	Gagné, J A	Mercer, W M
Blahut, James	Hatch, W	Phipps, David
Collins, H F	Lyon, L C P	Rogers, J L
Cage, D S	Lovenstein, H	Semple, Joseph
Cage, A G	Miller, Jas	Tennent, Charles
Fuqua, N D	Miller, Elias	Washington, R W

Total—29.

*Initiated*—Viola Hypolite.

*Passed*—J. M. Pelton.

*Raised*—David Phipps. J. M. Pelton.

*Affiliated*—D. S. Cage. W. M. Mercer. Joseph Semple. R. W. Washington.

## COOL SPRING LODGE, NO. 140.

*Cool Spring Academy (Homer Post Office), Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.*

### OFFICERS.

Burch, J E.....	W M	Jarvis, A.....	Secretary
Cleveland, R H.....	S W	Gray, E.....	S D
Nelson, J F.....	J W	Kennedy, J B.....	J D
Gilmer, S H.....	Treasurer	Carr, J R.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Applewhite, J C	Johnson, A	Russel, J P
Bedford, Robert	Johns, T J	Robinson, Glenn
Brown, McN	Kemp, J	Roberts, W T
Brown, Sidney	Kirkpatric, H W	Richerson, W M
Brown, A H	Kirkpatric, S	Smith, J J
Brown, T H	Loveless, M H	Sockwell, J
Frost, H J	Langston, J R	Scaife, J
Fortson, J T	Leslie, W J	Turner, J A
Gray, W A	Mangham, A	Tigner, J T
Garrett, J L	Mangham, J G	White, R
Greer, B F	Moreland, W C	Waller, James
Gordon, G A	McDaniel, T S	Williams, W S*
Garrett, C P	Oaks, W L	
Gould, A	Rowe, J J	Total—48.

*Initiated*—A. H. Brown. G. A. Gordon.

*Passed*—A. H. Brown. G. A. Gordon.

*Raised*—A. H. Brown. G. A. Gordon. J. Sockwell. A. Jarvis.

*Affiliated*—T. H. Brown. W. M. Richerson. R. White. James Waller.

*Demitted*—Robert Bedford. C. P. Garrett. W. J. Leslie. J. Sockwell.

*Died*—A. Gould.

## HUNTINGTON LODGE, NO. 141.

*Minden, Claiborne Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Spencer, Almand.....	W M	Rossman, Walter.....	Secretary
Fay, E H.....	S W	Griggs, G R.....	S D
Hamilton, J B.....	J W	Canfield, F M.....	J D
Chaffe, John.....	Treasurer	Dortch, James N.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Blackburn, W J	Doyle, P R	Hardy, C L
Bruton, B F	Doyle, S W	Hodges, E R
Canfield, J M	Doyle, D B	Leary, Calvin
Culpepper, S W	Ford, James	Montgomery, A V
Colbert, A J	George, A B	Quarles, J W
Dean, T J	Gray, Simeon	Ratchliffe, Isaiah
Dortch, W E	Gray, Josiah	Shields, William

Total—29.

*Initiated*—J. M. Canfield. P. R. Doyle. G. R. Griggs. George Hortman.  
Joseph Plunkett.

*Passed*—J. M. Canfield. P. R. Doyle. G. R. Griggs.

*Raised*—J. M. Canfield. S. W. Culpepper. P. R. Doyle. G. R. Griggs.

*Demitted*—W. E. Dortch. James Ford.

## HOME LODGE, NO. 142.

*Corner of Magazine and Philip streets, Fourth District, New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Batchelor, J C.....	W M	Drews, Wm.....	Secretary
Hillger, C L.....	S W	Melville, Wm.....	S D
Stanley, R W.....	J W	Weidt, Charles.....	J D
McNeil, Alex.....	Treasurer	Savage, R D.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Anderson, John	King, George	McNamee, James
Batchelor, S S	Knight, George	Olsen, Frederick
Bayer, Lewis	Kent, James	Richards, F
Burt, David	Lemley, D	Simpson, George
Beattie, Wm	Lunn, Thomas	Sweeney, James
Barret, John T	Michell, J J	Traube, Lewis
Bateman, Charles	Miller, Robert	Wilson, Wm
Crofton, Robert	McNeil, Hugh	Welsh, Mark
Hoffman, James	McNeil, Duncan	Young, Jacob
Heiner, Jacob		Total—36.

*Initiated*—Charles Bateman. Wm. Melville. John S. Burke. Thos. Hilbert.  
John F. Kranz. Wm. G. Morehead. George Doyle.

*Passed*—Charles Bateman. Wm. Melville.

*Raised*—Charles Bateman. Robert Crofton. Jacob Heiner. Wm. Melville.

*Affiliated*—James Sweeney.

*Demitted*—Lewis Bayer. Jacob Young.

*Died*—Robert Miller. G. W. Cox (P. C.).

*Stricken from the Roll*—F. Richards.

## DOWNSVILLE LODGE, NO. 143.

*Downsville, Union Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Farmer, B F.....	W M	Woodward, J E.....	Secretary
Stinson, G A.....	S W	Glaize, J S.....	S D
Stinson, H F.....	J W	Hinton, John.....	J D
Railley, C H.....	Treasurer	Carter, John.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Barnes, Wm	Greer, T J	McMillan, A
Callaway, W S	Honeycutt, A	McFarland, M
Downs, H D	Jones, G H	Mixon, J S
Dixon, J A	Larche, L	Walsworth, R B
Ellis, B C	Larche, S O	Total—22.



*Initiated*—J. S. Glaize. C. H. Railey. A. D. McDuffie. M. Hammond.

*Passed*—J. S. Glaize. C. H. Railey. M. Hammond.

*Raised*—J. S. Glaize. C. H. Railey.

*Affiliated*—Wm. Barnes. M. McFarland. J. S. Mixon.

*Demitted*—Jno. A. Dixon.

*Died*—R. B. Walsworth.

## OCEAN LODGE, NO. 144.

*Marigny Buildings, Levee street, Third District, New Orleans.*

### OFFICERS.

Goldman, A.....	W M	Bugel, Fred'k.....	J D
Warner, J P.....	S W	Bell, T.....	Chaplain
Barth, G.....	J W	Wessel, D P.....	} Stewards
Millsbaugh, H.....	Treasurer	McClellan, John.....	
Letten, J A.....	Secretary	Long, Webster.....	Marshal
Clark, Wm.....	S D	Ungerer, J J.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Anderson, Robt	England, Richard	Marshal, Jr Robt
Anfoux, O	Fleischer, J C	Magner, Joseph
Andrews, G	Getz, Chas	Meckins, R L
Barnett, Edward	Heaton, Jolin	Minott, J B
Barthelmy, J F	Howes, George	Peterson, Marks
Boyer, Michael	Henningsen, J C	Pearce, Joseph
Bourgess, Alfred	Hanson, M	Reinhardt, Lewis
Ber, H	Higgins, J C	Raymond, J M
Caillat, H	Kohn, Leon	Smith, Wm
Clark, Joseph	Lewis, J H	Tracy, M
Cooper, Joseph	Levy, Wm	Weeks, Chas
Connor, Thomas	Lelienthal, B J	Wright, H
Diggs, Joseph	Low, Wm	Williams, P
		Total—51.

*Initiated*—Lewis Philips. H. W. Westholz. A. Marks. J. S. Powers.  
Thos. Lallance. Thos. Neill.

*Passed*—J. B. Minott. J. G. Breshwood. T. W. Bray. A. Marks.

*Raised*—Fred'k Bugel. J. B. Minott.

*Affiliated*—G. Andrews. H. Ber. J. C. Fleischer.

*Demitted*—J. F. Barthelmy. Joseph Clark. Wm. Levy.

## HOPE LODGE, NO. 145.

*Vermillionville, Lafayette Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Girard, M E.....	W M	Brandt, Wm.....	Secretary
Caffery, J J .....	S W	Bailey, Abijah.....	S D
Martin, A V.....	J W	Martin, V D.....	J D
Voorhies, H F.....	Treasurer	Arceneaux, P S.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bailey, Adolphe	Eastin, H	Martin, A
Coulouvrat, C	Ervin, W B	Mouton, A
Daigle, F	Higginbotham, N	Mouton, C H
Dufour A	Levy, S	Richard, A
Dugat, R		
		Total—21.

*Initiated*—V. D. Martin. P. Guilbeau.*Passed*—V. D. Martin.*Raised*—V. D. Martin.

## SILENT BROTHERHOOD LODGE, NO. 146.

*Coushatta Chute, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Armistead, F L.....	W M	Hailey, A B.....	Secretary
Murph, J E.....	S W	Clark, Samuel.....	S D
Wynn, G H .....	J W	Franklin, G .....	J D
Armistead, W W.....	Treasurer	Lee, B S.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Armistead, R H	Jones, G W	McInnis, D F
Cowdin, L D	Lisso, A M	Poag, John
Harville, H		
		Total—15.

*Initiated*—D. F. McInnis. C. G. Mosbacher.*Passed*—D. F. McInnis.*Raised*—D. F. McInnis.*Affiliated*—G. W. Jones.*Demitted*—R. H. Armistead. John Poag.

## ANACOCO LODGE, NO. 147.

*Anacoco Post Office, Sabine Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Martin, R W.....	W M	Smart, A C.....	Secretary
Bray, N H.....	S W	Smart, L W.....	S D
Smart, R W.....	J W	Russell, J G.....	J D
Winfree, E A.....	Treasurer	May, David.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Blackman, R	Gill, Wm E	Smart, W W	
Bray, C	Jones, Wm H	Sibley, R L F	
Chance, E	McCallister, J N	West, M	
Franklin, J M	McGee, John	Wright, A	
Groves, James	Ragan, J H		Total—22.

*Initiated*—R. L. F. Sibley. E. Chance. J. M. Franklin. W. H. Jones.  
John S. Thompson. M. McAlpin. E. D. Prewitt.

*Passed*—R. L. F. Sibley. E. Chance. W. E. Gill. J. M. Franklin. W. H. Jones. C. Bray.

*Raised*—J. H. Ragan. R. L. F. Sibley. E. Chance. W. E. Gill. J. M. Franklin. W. H. Jones. C. Bray.

*Affiliated*—J. G. Russell. R. Blackman. A. Wright.

*Demitted*—James Groves.

## RED LAND LODGE, NO. 148.

*Rocky Mount, Bossier Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Campbell, J B.....	W M	Allen, J G.....	Secretary
Edens, W E.....	S W	Holloway, R T.....	S D
Holloway, J M.....	J W	Covington, Wm.....	J D
Martin, M.....	Treasurer	Cannon, J.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allen, G	Engram, James	O'Daniel, C S
Arnett, G W	Engram, J M	Spurlin, A J
Curry, Peter	Kemp, J T	Stanly, Wm
Edens, J C	Martin, A	Winfrey, H R L

Total—20.

*Initiated*—Wm. Covington. Peter Curry. J. M. Engram. Wm. Stanly.  
H. R. L. Winfrey. D. G. McLemore.

*Passed*—Wm. Covington. Peter Curry. J. M. Engram. Wm. Stanly.  
H. R. L. Winfrey.

*Raised*—Wm. Covington. Peter Curry. J. M. Engram. Wm. Stanly.  
H. R. L. Winfrey.

*Affiliated*—J. T. Kemp.

*Demitted*—G. W. Arnett.

## DARLINGTON LODGE, NO. 149.

*Darlington, St. Helena Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Davis, Sam'l.....	W M	Graves, H S.....	Secretary
McCraime, M H.....	S W	Wilson, D P.....	S D
Collins, M M.....	J W	Norwood, Z G.....	J D
Nettles, J L.....	Treasurer	Hurst, W J.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allen, T D	Higginbotham, C	Thompson, C
Carter, W W	Lamberth, Isaac	Williams, P A B
Collins, O L	Swinney, C P	Williams, R W
Doughty, B	Shelton, J R	Williams, R
Higginbotham L	Thompson, H	

Total—22.

*Initiated*—O. L. Collins. C. P. Swinney. W. G. Lee.

*Passed*—O. L. Collins. C. P. Swinney. H. Thompson.

*Raised*—O. L. Collins. C. P. Swinney. H. Thompson. C. Thompson.  
R. Williams.

*Affiliated*—H. S. Graves.

*Demitted*—C. P. Swinney. P. A. B. Williams. R. W. Williams.

## PERKINS LODGE, NO. 150.

*Donaldsonville, La.*

## OFFICERS.

*Lockhard, P A.....	W M	Miller, H W.....	Secretary
Mavor, C L.....	S W	O'Hara, John.....	S D
Cox, E B.....	J W	Dodds, Jas A.....	J D
Lion, Michel.....	Treasurer	Rougean, Pierre.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Cahn, L	Lion, L	Parker, Z
Coussou, Pierre	Moore, R C	Seeleman, Sam'l
Hewitt, J W	Nicholls, L D	Scheuer, Jonathan
Israel, Marx	Nicholls, F T	Taylor, R F
Kellet, James	Powell, A J	Weinschenck, S

Total—23.

*Initiated*—Marx Israel. Z. Parker. Jonathan Scheuer. John Laughlin.  
Joseph H. Parks.

*Passed*—Marx Israel. Z. Parker. Jonathan Scheuer.

*Raised*—J. W. Hewitt. Marx Israel. Z. Parker. Jonathan Scheuer.

*Affiliated*—E. B. Cox. P. Rougean. L. Cahn. P. Coussou. L. Lion.  
R. C. Moore. John O'Hara.

## EASTERN STAR LODGE, NO. 151.

*Winnfield, Winn Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Walker, Wm.....	W M	Walker, J L.....	Secretary
Stovall, Jno W.....	S W	Dixon, Jno A.....	S D
Sims, Elijah.....	J W	Morris, D P.....	J D
Hargis, Q A.....	Treasurer	Banks, J P.....	Tyler

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\* I regret to state that Bro. Lockhard has died since his Installation.

## MEMBERS.

Bernstein, P	Hicks, G W	Smith, H P
Brock, James	Jackson, Stephen	Teddler, S
Bevill, J R	Luckey, Wm	Teddler, B F
Emanuel, Asa	Mathis, J A	Teddler, E W
Edwards, E W	Martin, E C	Ussery, Benj'n
Earnest, Sam'l	Parsons, C P	Womac, Jesse
Fouts, T J	Rogers, S W	Womac, Robt
Green, J J	Stone, Wm	Williams, J M
Griffen, Wm	Sims, R C	Williamson, W C
Gaus, Michael		Total—36.

*Initiated*—J. P. Banks. Michael Gaus. Elijah Sims. H. P. Smith.  
E. W. Teddler. S. Teddler. B. F. Teddler. W. C. Williamson. D. W. Collins.  
Allen Cockerham. Dan'l McBride. J. W. Cockerham.

*Passed*—J. P. Banks. Michael Gaus. E. C. Martin. Elijah Sims.  
H. P. Smith. E. W. Teddler. S. Teddler. B. F. Teddler. J. M. Williams.  
W. C. Williamson. D. W. Collins. Allen Cockerham. J. H. Luckey.  
Dan'l McBride.

*Raised*—J. P. Banks. T. G. Fouts. Michael Gaus. E. C. Martin  
Elijah Sims. H. P. Smith. E. W. Teddler. S. Teddler. B. F. Teddler.  
J. M. Williams. W. C. Williamson.

*Affiliated*—J. R. Bevill. J. A. Dixon. Wm. Griffen. S. Jackson.  
D. P. Morris. R. Womac. J. L. Walker.

## HOMER LODGE, NO. 152.

*Homer, Claiborne Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Thomasson, J M.....	W M	Whitson, E B.....	Secretary
Kilgore, G M.....	S W	Dyer, D H.....	S D
Brown, W P.....	J W	Jones, F A.....	J D
Price, G W.....	Treasurer	Thomas, G W.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Burnham, J S	Kellett, W A	Norton, W A
Burnham, W A	Leak, J F	Smith, J P
Brooks, J T	Millican, J A	Stacy, J W
Cornelius, M A	Mahon, G T	Spear, T S
Hamilton, T P	Murrell, John	Tilley, J M
		Total—23.

*Initiated*—B. Thigpen.

*Raised*—F. A. Jones. J. W. Stacy.

*Affiliated*—W. P. Brown. J. S. Burnham. W. A. Burnham. T. P. Hamilton.  
G. M. Kilgore. W. A. Kellett. G. T. Mahon. John Murrell. W. A. Norton.  
J. M. Thomasson. G. W. Thomas.

*Demitted*—J. S. Burnham. J. A. Millican. J. M. Tilley.

## SAINTS JOHN LODGE, NO. 153.

*Algiers, Parish of Orleans, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Seeger, A B.....	W M	Thayer, Theophilus.....	Secretary
Mitchell, John.....	S W	Dodge, L J.....	S D
Hasam, Thomas.....	J W	Deseamus, J F.....	J D
Bass, J A.....	Treasurer	Bennett, John .....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Bayley, G W R	Hansen, Thomas	McClusky, John
Bunce, Aug	Heaton, P W	McLain, J O
Bell, Robert	Haight, Rufus	Porter, T K
Beddinghouse, H	Hunold, F J	Richardson, John
Dodge, L W	Long, D A	Randolph, Wm
Forrist, John	Mahony, John	Sarazin, Wm
Fortman, A	Miles, George W	Sloan, George W
Hasling, John	McCann, John	Total—31.

*Initiated*—Robert Bell. H. Beddinghouse. J. F. Deseamus. John Forrist.  
P. W. Heaton. Rufus Haight. Jno. Mahony. Jno. McCann. Jno. McClusky.  
J. O. McLain. Wm. Sarazin. G. W. Sloan. David Kelton. R. Lambert.  
L. M. Mooney. Domingo Petre. Wm. Powell. Thomas Reese. Valentine  
Smidt.

*Passed*—Robert Bell. H. Beddinghouse. J. F. Deseamus. John Forrist.  
P. W. Heaton. Rufus Haight. John Mahony. G. W. Miles. John McCann.  
John McClusky. J. O. McLain. Wm. Sarazin. G. W. Sloan.

*Raised*—Robert Bell. H. Beddinghouse. J. F. Deseamus. John Forrist.  
P. W. Heaton. Rufus Haight. John Mahony. G. W. Miles. John McCann.  
John McClusky. J. O. McLain. Wm. Sarazin. G. W. Sloan.

*Affiliated*—J. A. Bass. F. J. Hunold. T. K. Porter. Wm. Randolph.

## FILLMORE LODGE, NO. 154.

*Fillmore, Bossier Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

McDade, A J.....	W M	Hamilton, W E.....	Secretary
Springfield, W G.....	S W	Applewhite, J L.....	S D
Henderson, D J.....	J W	Hodges, M H.....	J D
Platt, David.....	Treasurer	Platt, Wm.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brothers, W E	Hodges, J C	Regan, John
Barnacastle, H	Henderson, E	Ray, W J
Bryan, W B	Lyon, H J	Snider, T A
Bledsoe, J M	Lawrence, A	Saxon, J T
Bledsoe, T W	Lock, E B	Walker, J A
Collins, J H	McDade, D T	Walker, J C
Ferguson, J A	Miller, Jacob	
Garner, W T	Martin, G	Total—30.

*Initiated*—T. W. Bledsoe. M. H. Hodges. J. N. Platt.*Passed*—T. W. Bledsoe. M. H. Hodges.*Raised*—T. W. Bledsoe. M. H. Hodges.*Affiliated*—T. A. Snider. J. C. Walker.

## CHERRY RIDGE LODGE, NO. 155.

*Cherry Ridge, Union Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Bruce, J M.....	W M	Carr, Wm C.....	Secretary
Simmons, M T.....	S W	Elkins, H K.....	S D
Fenton, George.....	J W	Joiner, Isam.....	J D
Gully, J H.....	Treasurer	Harris, D M.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Beard, S	Marshall, Peter	Regan, J D
Branch, Jas	Martin, J A	Tubb, B M
Holloway, J	Regan, W D	Wasson, W W
Joiner, G W		Total—18.



*Initiated*—S. Beard. H. K. Elkins. J. Holloway. S. Manning. T. P. Lawrence.

*Passed*—S. Beard. H. K. Elkins. J. Holloway. Peter Marshall. W. D. Regan.  
S. Manning.

*Raised*—S. Beard. H. K. Elkins. J. Holloway. G. W. Joiner. Peter Marshall.  
W. D. Regan.

*Affiliated* (1857)—J. A. Martin. J. D. Regan.

*Demitted*—J. D. Regan. J. A. Martin. J. F. Morrison (1857).

## KISSATCHIE LODGE, NO. 156.

*Kissatchie, Natchitoches Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

McNeely, N G.....	W M	Owen, B D.....	Secretary
Phares, J K.....	S W	Hawkins, J C.....	S D
Collins, J M.....	J W	Powell, Isaac.....	J D
Hawkins, M P.....	Treasurer	Collins, H D.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Bolton, John	Mathews, W	Self, W J
Lynch, B	Nash, L J	Weldon, Green
McNeely, J T	Owings, W P	Total—16.

*Initiated*—John Bolton. J. E. Hawkins. M. P. Hawkins. B. Lynch.  
W. K. Taylor. H. E. Hawthorn.

*Passed*—John Bolton. J. E. Hawkins. M. P. Hawkins. B. Lynch.  
W. K. Taylor.

*Raised*—John Bolton. J. E. Hawkins. M. P. Hawkins. B. Lynch.

*Affiliated*—J. M. Collins. W. Mathews. B. D. Owen.

## GROSSE TETE LODGE, U. D.

*Bayou Grosse Tete, La.*

[Charter granted February 16th, 1859.—No. 157.]

## OFFICERS.

Marr, Matthew.....	W M	Johnston, Jas H.....	Secretary
Young, J N.....	S W	Whitney, J S.....	S D
Sigler, Hiram.....	J W	Sugg, P P.....	J D
Gellusseau, P.....	Treasurer	Little, P J.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Anselm, B B	Harrell, J G	Shanks, Wm	
Denham, H H			Total—12.
<i>Initiated</i> —H. H. Denham. J. R. Busey. J. M. Brooks. Wm. Briggs.			
J. A. Leveque. D. McHugh.			
<i>Passed</i> —H. H. Denham. J. E. Bargas.			
<i>Raised</i> —H. H. Denham.			
<i>Affiliated</i> —J. G. Harrell. P. J. Little. Wm. Shanks.			

## OFFICERS ELECTED UNDER CHARTER.

Marr, Matthew.....	W M	Johnston, J H.....	Secretary
Young, J V.....	S W	Whitney, J S.....	S D
Sigler, Hiram.....	J W	Sugg, P P.....	J D
Denham, H H.....	Treasurer	Harrell, J G.....	Tyler

## RAPIDES LODGE, U. D.

*Rapides, Rapides Parish, La.*

[Charter granted February 16th, 1859.—No. 158.]

## OFFICERS.

Burr, G B.....	W M	Cooper, Lewis.....	Secretary
Smith, G A.....	S W	Word, J H.....	S D
Eddleman, J P.....	J W	Gill, P L.....	J D
Hewitt, J T.....	Treasurer	Hale, Alex'r.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Ainsworth, A	Iles, H W	Turner, S
Burr, C B	Iles, John	Turner, J C
Brown, R A	Knight, T S	Williams, H H
Duncan, J S	Knight, D R	West, J M
Fennell, D	Knight, J C	Williams, A B
Gill, T J	Perkins, B G	Wilson, Alex'r
Hunt, C C		Total—27.

*Initiated*—P. L. Gill. C. C. Hunt. T. S. Knight. D. R. Knight.  
J. C. Knight. B. G. Perkins. J. M. West. A. B. Williams. J. Hamilton.  
J. Hillyer. V. Simmons. D. Simmons. Z. R. Speights.

*Passed*—A. Ainsworth. C. B. Burr. P. L. Gill. C. C. Hunt. H. W. Iles.  
John Iles. T. S. Knight. D. R. Knight. J. C. Knight. B. G. Perkins.  
J. C. Turner. J. M. West. A. B. Williams. J. Hamilton. J. Hillyer.

*Raised*—A. Ainsworth. C. B. Burr. P. L. Gill. C. C. Hunt. H. W. Iles.  
John Iles. T. S. Knight. D. R. Knight. J. C. Knight. B. G. Perkins.  
J. C. Turner. J. M. West. A. B. Williams.

*Affiliated*—J. S. Duncan. D. Fennell. A. Wilson.

*Demitted*—R. A. Brown.

## MORGANZA LODGE, U. D.

*Morganza, Pointe Coupée, La.*

[Charter granted February 16th, 1859—No. 159.]

## OFFICERS.

Newsom, J W.....	W M	Strother, J T.....	Secretary
Smith, Parker.....	S W	Boyce, J C.....	S D
Hosea, C E.....	J W	Jofferon, Paul.....	J D
Watson, J P.....	Treasurer	Villery, C.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brown, A	Decoux, C	Lejune, Ovide
Braceville, J N	Elliott, J J	Motlow, J M
Bondy, A	Henderson, J S	Morgan, J A
Cain, James	Harbour, W A	McRae, R W
Clark, J T	Hess, Wm	Moebins, John
Derrum, L C	Jackson, A W	Villery, J B

Total—26.

*Initiated*—A. Brown. J. N. Braceville. J. T. Clark. L. C. Derrum.  
C. Decoux. W. A. Harbour. Wm. Hess. Paul Jofferon. A. W. Jackson.  
J. M. Motlow. J. A. Morgan. John Moebins. J. B. Villery. Chas. Villery.  
C. C. Pickett. F. Rome. J. H. Vosburg. T. Chapeton. W. T. Coyle.  
J. P. Davis. J. M. Pickett. S. Porch. E. Pullin. G. Seymour.

*Passed*—A. Brown. J. N. Braceville. A. Bondy. J. T. Clarke. L. C. Derrum.  
C. Decoux. J. J. Elliott. W. A. Harbour. Wm. Hess. Paul Jofferon.  
A. W. Jackson. J. M. Motlow. J. A. Morgan. John Moebins. J. B. Villery.  
Charles Villery. Vignes Adelen. C. C. Pickett. L. B. Watkins. F. Rome.  
J. H. Vosburg.

*Raised*—A. Brown. J. N. Braceville. A. Bondy. J. T. Clark. L. C. Derrum.  
C. Decoux. J. J. Elliott. W. A. Harbour. Wm. Hess. Paul Jofferon. A. W.  
Jackson. J. M. Motlow. J. A. Morgan. John Moebins. J. B. Villery.  
Charles Villery.

*Affiliated*—J. C. Boyce.

*Demitted*—J. W. Newsom. J. T. Strother.

## LIVINGSTON LODGE, U. D.

*Ponchatoula, Livingston Parish, La.*

[Charter granted February 16th, 1859—No. 160.]

## OFFICERS.

Mahoney, J M.....	W M	Addison, John W.....	Secretary
Robertson, A B.....	S W	— — — — —	S D
Bankston, N M.....	J W	— — — — —	J D
Colmer, George.....	Treasurer	— — — — —	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bankston, G W	Gosselin, P C	Robertson, D T
Bankston, W W	Grenes, C	Settoon, D T
Bankston, Y S	Hammond, Wm	Starns, P F
Bankston, S M	Lower, J M	White, Chas W
Carter, M T	Lard, Noah	
Cutrer, W R	Loveland, James H	Total—21.

*Initiated*—S. M. Bankston. W. R. Cutrer. C. Grenes. Wm. Hammond. James H. Loveland. D. T. Robertson. P. F. Starns. C. W. White. Simpson Kemp. N. B. Melton. Wm. Akers. R. M. Lanier.

*Passed*—S. M. Bankston. W. R. Cutrer. C. Grenes. Wm. Hammond. James H. Loveland. D. T. Robertson. P. F. Starns. C. W. White. Simpson Kemp. N. B. Melton.

*Raised*—S. M. Bankston. W. R. Cutrer. C. Grenes. William Hammond. James H. Loveland. D. T. Robertson. P. F. Starns. C. W. White.

*Affiliated*—John W. Addison. George Colmer.

## OFFICERS ELECTED UNDER CHARTER.

Mahoney, John M.....	W M	Loveland, James H. ....	Secretary
Robertson, Alcy B.....	S W	Bankston, Willis H.....	S D
White, Charles W.....	J W	Hammond, Wm.....	J D
Grenes, Christian.....	Treasurer	— — — — —	Tyler

## LOUISIANA RELIEF LODGE, NO. 1.

## OFFICERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES.

JAMES B. SCOT, W. M.....	Picayune Office, Camp street.
D. E. SCRUGGS, S. W.....	No. 45 Magazine street.
C. E. KELLS, J. W.....	No. 151 Canal street.
WM. BAYNHAM, Treasurer.....	No. 12 Camp street.
ALFRED SHAW, Secretary.....	Residence 119 Franklin street, and P. O. Address, box S, No. 64, New Orleans.
W. H. SEAMAN, S. D.	G. SONTAG, J. D.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

## PERFECT UNION LODGE, No. 1.

A. Pitot, Jr.,	O. DeBuys,	James A. Hopkins.
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## FRIENDS OF HARMONY LODGE, No. 58.

Sam'l Harby,	A. H. Clark,	C. E. Kells.
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## MOUNT MORIAH LODGE, No. 59.

J. T. Watts,	T. Sanford,	N. J. Hackney.
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## GEORGE WASHINGTON LODGE, No. 65.

James B. Scot,	G. Sontag,	Joseph West.
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## DUDLEY LODGE, No. 66.

W. H. Stewart,	W. T. Purviance,	W. G. Copeland.
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## MARION LODGE, No. 68.

T. F. Hedges,	A. P. Beers,	D. E. Scruggs.
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## HIRAM LODGE, No. 70.

S. P. Solomon,	T. Carroll,	A. S. Rogers.
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## ALPHA LODGE, No. 72.

D. F. Mitchell,	W. S. Pettingill,	Fred. Roca.
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## QUITMAN LODGE, No. 76.

G. M. Beaman,	W. H. Seaman,	John Knight.
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## LOUISIANA LODGE, No. 102.

W. C. Driver,	Aaron Harris,	L. Piderit.
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## HOME LODGE, 142.

J. C. Batchelor,	C. L. Hillger,	R. W. Stanley.
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## OCEAN LODGE, No. 144.

A. Goldman,	J. P. Warner,	G. Barth.
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## Non-Contributing Lodges in the City of New Orleans.

POLAR STAR LODGE, No. 1.

FOYER MAÇONNIQUE LODGE, No. 44.

CONCORDE LODGE, No. 3.

GERMANIA LODGE, No. 46.

ST. ANDREW LODGE, No. 5.

ORLEANS LODGE, No. 78.

LOS AMIGOS DEL ORDEN LODGE, No. 5. HERMITAGE LODGE, No. 98.

SAML. G. RISK, *Grand Secretary, in Account Current with the*

M. W. GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

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1858.

Feb.	2—	Received from Home Lodge, No. 142, on account	\$116 00
	Do	do Mount Vernon, No. 83, on account	72 50
	3—	Do do Cypress, No. 89, in full	173 00
	Do	do Polar Star, No. 1, on account	148 00
	Do	do Eastern Star, U. D., in full	73 00
	Do	do Western Star, No. 61, in full	57 00
	4—	Do do Rent of Supper Room for January	20 00
	Do	do H. McClosky, Rent for February	125 00
	Do	do St. Joseph, No. 79, in full	130 00
	Do	do Acacia, No. 116, in full	95 00
	Do	do Shreveport, No. 115, in full	87 00
	Do	do Dudley, No. 66, in full	209 00
	Do	do Castor, No. 109, in full	107 82
	Do	do Lafayette, No. 56, in full	178 80
	Do	do Marion, No. 68, in full	387 00
	5—	Do do Lisbon, No. 121, on account	150 00
	Do	do Grosse Tete, U. D., in full	27 00
	Do	do Polar Star, No. 1, balance in full	45 00
	6—	Do do Oliver, No. 84, on account	260 72
	Do	do Solomon, No. 130, on account	79 00
	Do	do Hermitage, No. 98, on account	145 00
	8—	Do do St. Helena, No. 96, in full	196 00
	Do	do Anacoco, No. 147, on account	44 00
	Do	do Rapides, U. D., in full	38 00
	Do	do Milford, No. 117, on account	86 00
	Do	do Hope, No. 145, in full	81 00
	Do	do Perkins, U. D., in full	50 00
	Do	do Louisiana, No. 102, in full	58 00
	Do	do Pearl River, No. 125, in full	144 00
	Do	do Lafayette, No. 87, in full	94 82
	Do	do Hermitage, No. 98, balance in full	15 00
	Do	do Germania, No. 46, in full	206 00
	Do	do Huntington, No. 141, in full	89 00
	Do	do Liberty, No. 123, on account	92 00
	Do	do Constantine, No. 119, in full	150 00
	Do	do Homer, U. D., in full	41 00
	Do	do Darlington, U. D., on account	65 00

Feb.	8—	Received from St. Albans, No. 28, on account . . . .	141 00
	Do	do Harry Hill, No. 134, in full . . . .	107 00
	Do	do Springfield, No. 127, in full . . . .	156 82
	Do	do Mount Gerizim, No. 54, on account . . . .	116 72
	Do	do Providence, No. 50, in full . . . .	285 72
	Do	do Alpha, No. 72, in full . . . .	209 00
	Do	do Sparta, No. 108, in full . . . .	88 00
	Do	do Thibodaux Benevolent, No. 90, on account . . . .	103 00
	9—	Do do Olive, No. 52, in full . . . .	271 00
	Do	do Saints John, U. D., in full . . . .	43 00
	Do	do Cherry Ridge, U. D., on account . . . .	55 00
	Do	do Franklin, No. 57, on account . . . .	75 00
	Do	do Darlington, U. D., balance in full . . . .	9 82
	Do	do Monticello, No. 92, in full . . . .	144 00
	Do	do Kissatchie, U. D., in full . . . .	49 00
	Do	do Cloutierville, No. 103, on account . . . .	60 00
	16—	Do do Downsville, No. 143, in full . . . .	80 82
	Do	do Shiloh, No. 131, on account . . . .	140 00
	Do	do Mount Lebanon, No. 104, on account . . . .	41 00
	20—	Do do Orleans, No. 78, for three months rent . . . .	37 50
	24—	Do do Taylor, No. 100, on account . . . .	119 00
	Do	do D'Arbonne, No. 128, on account . . . .	52 00
	25—	Do do Dudley, No. 66, Rent to July 1, 1858 . . . .	75 00
	Do	do George Washington, No. 65, two months Rent . . . .	25 00
	26—	Do do A. Gherardi, for Rent of Ball Room . . . .	75 00
	Do	do Quitman, No. 76, Rent for January . . . .	12 50
	Do	do Polar Star Chapter, Rent for two months . . . .	25 00
	27—	Do do Quitman, No. 76, Rent for February . . . .	12 50
	Do	do Arcadia, No. 126, balance . . . .	1 00
	Do	do Perkins & Co., seventh months' Rent . . . .	1166 67
	Do	do H. McCloskey, Rent for March . . . .	125 00
Mar.	2—	Do do Orleans Chapter, for Rent . . . .	50 00
	Do	do W. P. Coleman, Rent for four months . . . .	120 00
	Do	do Many, No. 88, on account . . . .	125 00
	3—	Do do Hiram, No. 70, Rent for nine months . . . .	112 50
	Do	do Louisiana, No. 102, Rent for nine months . . . .	112 50
	11—	Do do De Witt Clinton, No. 80, on account . . . .	40 00
	22—	Do do Athens, No. 136, on account . . . .	50 00
	23—	Do do Henderson, No. 99, balance in full . . . .	6 72
	24—	Do do Sabine, No. 75, on account . . . .	86 00
	30—	Do do Shiloh, No. 131, on account . . . .	4 00
	31—	Do do Harrisonburg, No. 110, in full . . . .	135 34
	Do	do St. Albans, No. 28, balance in full . . . .	9 72



Mar.	31—	Received from	St. James, No. 47, on account	179 57
April	3—	Do	Quitman, No. 76, rent and extras	15 50
		Do	H. McCloskey, rent for April	125 00
	7—	Do	Friends of Harmony, No. 58, rent for 1 month	12 50
	17—	Do	Ball Room, for rent for a Fair	100 00
	27—	Do	Cool Spring, No. 140, in full	148 82
	28—	Do	DeSoto, No. 55, on account	100 00
	29—	Do	George Washington, No. 65, rent for 2 months	25 00
May	1—	Do	Sparta, No. 108, balance in full	23
	3—	Do	Murray, No. 137, for jewels sold her	45 00
		Do	H. McCloskey, rent for May	125 00
	6—	Do	Hiram, No. 70, for rent	28 00
	7—	Do	Delta Chapter, No. 15, rent for 2 months	25 00
	12—	Do	Bellevue, No. 95, balance in hands of Treasurer	24 49
		Do	Alpha, No. 72, for 3 months' rent	37 50
		Do	Friends of Harmony, 58, rent for 1 month	12 50
	15—	Do	Thos. Jefferson, No. 113, on account	75 00
June	1—	Do	Franklinton, No. 101, balance in full	3 82
		Do	Polar Star Chapter, for 2 months' rent	25 00
	3—	Do	Friends of Harmony, No. 58, for 1 month's rent	12 50
	8—	Do	Orleans Chapter, as a loan	450 00
	9—	Do	Quitman, No. 76, as a loan	300 00
	16—	Do	Friends of Harmony, No. 58, as a loan	400 00
	21—	Do	Morganza, U. D., balance in full	23 00
July	6—	Do	Rent from H. McCloskey, for June	125 00
	10—	Do	Orleans, No. 78, rent for 3 months	37 50
	13—	Do	Hiram, No. 70, for 2 months' rent and extra	28 00
	27—	Do	D'Arbonne, 128, balance in full	15 00
	28—	Do	Mackey, No. 122, balance in postage stamps	72
Aug.	3—	Do	H. McCloskey, for rent for July	125 00
		Do	Louisiana, No. 102, rent to July 1st, 1858	50 00
		Do	Polar Star Chapter, rent for 2 months	25 00
	19—	Do	H. McCloskey, rent for August	125 00
		Do	Quitman, No. 76, rent for 4 months	50 00
		Do	Perfect Union, No. 1, as a loan	373 00
Sept.	3—	Do	H. McCloskey, rent for September	125 00
		Do	Hiram, No. 70, rent for 2 months and extra	28 00
	12—	Do	Friends of Harmony, No. 58, for 2 months' rent	25 00
	14—	Do	Orleans, No. 78, for 3 months' rent	37 50
	21—	Do	St. James, No. 47, balance in full	145 15
		Do	Patmos, No. 97, on account	124 00
	26—	Do	Perkins & Co., rent, 3 months	500 00
Oct.	3—	Do	H. McCloskey, rent for October	125 00

Oct.	16—	Received from Quitman, No. 76, rent for 2 months	25 00
Nov.	3—	Do do H. McCloskey, rent for November	100 00
	11—	Do do Friends of Harmony, No. 58, rent for 2 months	25 00
	30—	Do do Quitman, No. 76, for extras	10 50
		Do do Orleans Chapter, for 4 months' rent	50 00
Dec.	3—	Do do H. McCloskey, rent for December	100 00
		Do do W. P. Coleman, for rent	75 00
	13—	Do do Geo. Washington, No. 65, for 5 months' rent and extras	63 50
	24—	Do do Orleans, No. 78, for 3 months' rent and extra	47 50
1859.			
Jan.	1—	Do do Humble Cottage, No. 19, in full	152 72
		Do do Ocean, No. 144, in full	165 00
		Do do Orleans, No. 78, in full	287 00
	12—	Do do Lisbon, No. 121, on account	170 00
		Do do Red Land, No. 148, on account	76 00
	13—	Do do Mt. Vernon, No. 83, on account	44 50
		Do do Perkins, No. 150, on account	35 00
	15—	Do do D'Arbonne, No. 128, in full	64 00
		Do do Feliciana, No. 31, in full	160 00
	17—	Do do St. James, No. 47, on account	100 00
		Do do Friendship, No. 114, on account dues of 1857	180 00
		Do do Friendship, No. 114, on account dues of 1858	50 00
		Do do Houma, No. 139, in full	94 00
		Do do Cherry Ridge, No. 155, balance in full	4 00
		Do do Morganza, U. D., balance in full	10 00
		Do do Perfect Union, No. 1, in full	122 00
		Do do Friends of Harmony, for rent for December	12 50
		Do do Hiram, No. 70, in full	172 00
		Do do Quitman, No. 76, in full	284 00
		Do do DeWitt Clinton, No. 80, on account	93 50
		Do do Terryville, No. 118, on account	51 00
		Do do Foyer Maçonnique, No. 44, in full	181 00
		Do do Feliciana, No. 31, in full	175 00
	19—	Do do Harrisonburg, No. 110, in full	135 00
		Do do Cypress, No. 89, in full	174 00
	20—	Do do Foyer Maçonnique, No. 44	273 00
		Do do DeSoto, No. 55, on account	239 00
	21—	Do do Rapides, U. D., on account	122 00
	22—	Do do Red Land, No. 148, in full	65 32
		Do do Deerfield, No. 120, in full	77 72
		Do do Fillmore, No. 154, in full	108 00
		Do do Orleans, No. 78, for extra rent	5 00

Jan.	25—	Received from	Constantine, No. 119, in full	138 00
	26—	Do do	Rumsey & Newcomb, rent of ball room	175 00
		Do do	Los Amigos del Orden, No. 5, in full	176 00
		Do do	Home, No. 142, in full	124 00
	28—	Do do	Livingston, U. D., in full	93 00
		Do do	Franklinton, No. 101, on account	154 00
	29—	Do do	Hope, No. 145, in full	73 00
		Do do	Mackey, No. 122, in full	101 00
	31—	Do do	Anacoco, No. 147, on account	83 00
		Do do	Western Star, No. 61, in full	64 00
		Do do	Tunica, No. 63, in full	148 05
Feb.	2—	Do do	Rumsey & Newcomb, rent of ball room	175 00
		Do do	Bartholomew, No. 112, in full	177 00
		Do do	Mt. Gerizim, No. 54, on account	139 00
		Do do	Dawson, No. 129, on account	162 00
		Do do	DeWitt Clinton, No. 80, on account	65 00
	3—	Do do	Friends of Harmony, No. 58, in full	371 00
		Do do	Dudley, No. 66, in full	263 00
		Do do	Mt. Vernon, No. 83, balance in full	16 00
	4—	Do do	Olive, No. 52, on account	279 00
		Do do	Jackson, No. 45, on account	128 00
	5—	Do do	H. McCloskey, for rent for January	100 00
		Do do	Perfect Union, No. 1, in full	115 00
		Do do	Mt. Moriah, No. 77, in full	101 00
		Do do	St. Albans, No. 28, in full	164 00
		Do do	George Washington, No. 65, in full	373 00
		Do do	Hiram, No. 70, in full	226 00
		To amount of balance at date		71 50

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 \$21,880 12

NEW ORLEANS, February 7, 1859.

(E. &amp; O. E.)

SAML. G. RISK, *Grand Secretary, in Account Current with the*

M. W. GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

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1858.

Jan. 30—By amount of balance					\$ 68 50
Feb. 18—Paid to S. C. Michell, W. Grand Treasurer					6273 56
Mar. 3	Do	do	do	do	2500 00
April 30	Do	do	do	do	1325 34
May 27	Do	do	do	do	372 72
June 10	Do	do	do	do	700 00
Aug. 3	Do	do	do	do	720 54
19	Do	do	do	do	373 00
Dec. 31	Do	do	do	do	1497 12

1859.

Jan. 14	Do	do	do	do	588 72
20	Do	do	do	do	887 76
26	Do	do	do	do	889 81
31	Do	do	do	do	1034 00
Feb. 7	Do	do	do	do	4649 05

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\$21,880 12

1859.

Feb. 7—By amount of balance rendered					\$71 50
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NEW ORLEANS, February 7, 1859.

(E. & O. E.)

## SPECIAL NOTICE.

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THE attention of Masters and Secretaries is especially directed to the following Statistical Table of Constituent Lodges. In it will be found a full statement of their account with the Grand Lodge; and all those owing balances are requested to transmit them as soon as possible, as required by Resolution reported by Committee on Chartered Lodges, and adopted by the Grand Lodge. [See page 86 of these Proceedings.]

# STATISTICAL TABLE OF THE LODGES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE M. W. GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

Numerical Numbers.	NAMES OF LODGES.	Numbers.	Number of Members.	Initiated.	Passed.	Raised.	Affiliated.	Demitted.	Died.	Suspended.	Expelled.	Reinstated.	Amount to Cr. previous to 1858.	Amount due previous to 1858.	Grand Lodge Dues, 1858.	Grand Lodge Hall Dues, 1858.	Amount Paid.	Balance Dr.	Balance Cr.
1	PERFECT UNION .....	1	88	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	39 00	76 00	115 00	.....	.....
2	POLAR STAR .....	1	20	3	5	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	33 00	40 00	73 00	.....	.....
3	CONCORDE .....	3	17	1	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	3	...	...	18 00	34 00	52 00	.....	.....
4	LOS AMIGOS DEL ORDEN .....	5	50	10	8	8	...	4	1	...	3	3	...	...	76 00	100 00	176 00	.....	.....
5	ST. ANDREW .....	5	66	10	6	3	1	6	...	2	...	...	...	...	85 00	132 00	217 00	.....	.....
6	HUMBLE COTTAGE .....	19	37	16	9	12	2	2	1	...	...	...	1 00	5 72	74 00	74 00	152 72	.....	.....
7	ST. ALBANS .....	28	49	7	6	4	...	5	3	6	...	...	...	...	66 00	98 00	164 00	.....	.....
8	FELICIANA .....	31	50	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	0 72	52 00	100 00	160 00	.....	7 28
9	PHOENIX .....	38	47	5	3	5	3	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	60 00	94 00	154 00	.....	.....
10	FOYER MAÇONNIQUE .....	44	68	22	24	23	4	8	2	3	1	1	...	...	137 00	136 00	273 00	.....	.....
11	JACKSON .....	45	35	9	8	6	5	4	1	...	...	...	...	0 72	58 00	70 00	128 00	0 72	.....
12	GERMANIA .....	46	64	14	9	7	1	3	2	2	...	1	...	...	94 00	128 00	222 00	.....	.....
13	ST. JAMES .....	47	69	4	3	2	...	5	2	8	...	2	...	...	78 00	138 00	124 00	92 00	.....
14	PROVIDENCE .....	50	33	1	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	36 00	66 00	96 00	6 00	.....
15	MINDEN .....	51	63	7	6	5	2	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	81 00	126 00	207 00	.....	.....
16	OLIVE .....	52	77	18	7	7	5	5	2	...	...	3	...	21 82	109 00	154 00	279 00	5 82	.....
17	UNION FRATERNAL .....	53	43	3	4	4	2	3	1	...	...	...	82 38	...	54 00	86 00	57 62	.....	.....
18	MOUNT GERIZIM .....	54	44	1	2	2	6	8	3	2	...	...	...	3 00	49 00	88 00	139 00	1 00	.....
19	DE SOTO .....	55	52	11	11	10	7	2	...	1	...	...	...	318 35	84 00	104 00	239 00	267 35	.....
20	LAFAYETTE .....	56	56	2	1	3	2	3	2	13	...	...	...	1 74	62 00	112 00	171 00	4 74	.....
21	FRANKLIN .....	57	47	7	9	7	...	2	...	8	...	...	...	113 54	70 00	94 00	75 54	202 00	.....
22	FRIENDS OF HARMONY .....	58	107	18	16	16	2	8	4	4	...	...	...	...	157 00	214 00	371 00	.....	.....
23	MOUNT MORIAH .....	59	217	25	23	25	6	4	2	17	...	...	...	...	290 00	434 00	724 00	.....	.....
24	WESTERN STAR .....	61	50	4	5	5	...	3	1	1	...	...	131 28	...	64 00	100 00	64 00	.....	31 28
25	TUNICA .....	63	37	...	...	1	1	4	1	...	...	...	...	...	38 00	74 00	112 00	.....	.....
26	GEORGE WASHINGTON .....	65	116	7	10	8	3	5	5	7	...	5	...	...	141 00	232 00	373 00	.....	.....
27	DUDLEY .....	66	72	20	14	13	12	3	4	1	...	...	...	...	119 00	144 00	263 00	.....	.....

28	MARION .....	68	111	7	2	1	3	8	2	14	...	1	.....	.....	121 00	222 00	348 00	.....	.....
29	HIRAM .....	70	60	17	18	13	4	2	1	10	...	1	.....	3 00	103 00	120 00	226 00	.....	.....
30	ALPHA .....	72	69	14	7	7	3	7	3	...	1	...	.....	.....	97 00	138 00	235 00	.....	.....
31	SABINE .....	75	24	4	4	4	2	...	1	...	...	...	.....	112 95	36 00	48 00	100 00	96 95	.....
32	QUITMAN .....	76	84	15	12	14	6	3	9	1	1	...	.....	.....	125 00	168 00	293 00	.....	.....
33	MOUNT MORIAH .....	77	28	5	6	6	2	2	1	...	...	1	.....	.....	45 00	56 00	101 00	.....	.....
34	ORLEANS .....	78	83	14	12	12	3	5	1	4	...	...	.....	.....	121 00	166 00	287 00	.....	.....
35	ST. JOSEPH .....	79	41	...	1	1	...	2	...	...	...	2	.....	.....	43 00	82 00	125 00	.....	.....
36	DE WITT CLINTON .....	80	26	3	4	5	...	2	1	...	...	...	.....	33 76	38 00	52 00	115 00	8 76	.....
37	MOUNT VERNON .....	83	18	2	2	5	...	1	...	...	...	...	2 73	.....	27 00	36 00	60 50	0 23	.....
38	OLIVER .....	84	26	3	2	1	7	2	...	...	...	...	.....	48 00	32 00	52 00	132 00	.....	.....
39	LAFAYETTE .....	87	25	2	3	2	...	1	4	3	...	...	.....	.....	32 00	50 00	82 00	.....	.....
40	MANY* .....	88	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	218 72	.....	.....	.....	218 72	.....	.....
41	CYPRESS .....	89	53	3	5	7	1	2	2	...	...	...	.....	0 82	68 00	106 00	174 00	0 82	.....
42	THIBODAUX BENEVOLENT .....	90	41	3	2	3	...	6	2	...	...	...	.....	29 00	49 00	82 00	160 00	.....	.....
43	MONTICELLO .....	92	44	2	2	1	1	2	2	3	...	...	.....	1 72	49 00	88 00	137 00	1 72	.....
44	NAPOLEON .....	94	15	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	15 00	30 00	45 00	.....	.....
45	ST. HELENA .....	96	48	4	6	7	3	2	...	2	...	1	.....	9 00	65 00	96 00	170 00	.....	.....
46	PATMOS .....	97	41	3	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	.....	1 60	45 00	82 00	125 00	3 60	.....
47	HERMITAGE .....	98	42	14	14	13	1	5	2	2	...	12 00	.....	.....	83 00	84 00	155 00	.....	.....
48	HENDERSON .....	99	21	2	2	2	3	2	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	27 00	42 00	69 00	.....	.....
49	FRANKLINTON .....	101	57	8	6	5	...	3	...	12	...	...	.....	3 82	76 00	114 00	193 82	.....	.....
50	LOUISIANA .....	102	41	5	3	4	7	1	2	...	...	...	.....	.....	53 00	82 00	135 00	.....	.....
51	CLOUTIERVILLE .....	103	15	4	4	4	2	4	1	1	...	...	.....	0 72	27 00	30 00	57 72	.....	.....
52	MOUNT LEBANON .....	104	23	3	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	.....	41 41	26 00	46 00	57 33	56 08	.....
53	TRINITY .....	105	44	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	197 04	.....	46 00	88 00	331 04	.....	.....
54	VIENNA .....	106	53	9	11	10	3	3	...	1	...	.....	62 44	.....	83 00	106 00	251 44	.....	.....
55	SPARTA .....	108	29	10	6	3	2	3	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	48 00	58 00	106 00	.....	.....
56	CASTOR .....	109	33	1	2	1	2	4	...	1	1	.....	.....	.....	37 00	66 00	103 00	.....	.....
57	HARRISONBURG .....	110	43	3	1	2	1	1	3	...	...	.....	.....	.....	49 00	86 00	135 00	.....	.....
58	URIM .....	111	48	5	4	5	3	1	1	...	...	.....	6 00	.....	62 00	96 00	164 00	.....	.....
59	BARTHOLOMEW .....	112	54	5	5	5	11	8	1	1	...	0 46	.....	.....	69 00	108 00	177 00	0 46	.....
60	THOMAS JEFFERSON .....	113	36	2	2	2	5	5	1	1	...	.....	113 26	.....	42 00	72 00	114 00	113 26	.....
61	FRIENDSHIP .....	114	26	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	.....	142 72	.....	26 00	52 00	180 00	40 72	.....
62	SHREVEPORT .....	115	25	2	1	2	1	...	...	...	...	.....	0 72	.....	30 00	50 00	80 72	.....	.....
63	ACACIA .....	116	26	2	1	1	...	1	2	...	1	3 00	.....	.....	30 00	52 00	85 00	6 00	.....

# STATISTICAL TABLE, CONTINUED.

Numerical Numbers.	NAMES OF LODGES.										Amount to Cr. previous to 1858.	Amount due previous to 1858.	Grand Lodge Dues, 1858.	Grand Lodge Hall Dues, 1858.	Amount Paid.	Balance Dr.	Balance Cr.
	Numbers.	Number of Members.	Initiated.	Passed.	Raised.	Affiliated.	Demitted.	Died.	Suspended.	Expelled.	Reinstated.						
64	MILFORD.....	117	81	7	3	2	1	2	...	...	...	61 77	48 00	62 00	.....	166 77	.....
65	TERREVILLE.....	118	14	3	3	3	2	...	...	...	...	32 62	23 00	28 00	51 00	82 62	.....
66	CONSTANTINE.....	119	46	4	...	5	3	...	...	...	...	...	48 00	90 00	138 00	.....	.....
67	DEERFIELD.....	120	26	2	4	3	1	1	...	...	...	...	37 00	52 00	89 00	.....	.....
68	LISBON.....	121	26	3	2	2	4	1	2	...	...	90 00	34 00	52 00	176 00	.....	.....
69	NACKEE.....	122	33	5	1	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	35 00	66 00	101 00	.....	.....
70	LIBERTY.....	123	29	6	4	5	...	1	...	...	...	3 00	43 00	66 00	104 00	.....	.....
71	KELLETOWN.....	124	62	6	8	1	6	1	...	...	...	1 00	73 00	104 00	178 00	.....	.....
72	PEARL RIVER.....	125	42	4	6	4	8	1	...	...	...	...	54 00	84 00	138 00	.....	.....
73	ARCADIA.....	126	35	5	4	4	1	1	...	...	...	2 24	51 00	76 00	50 00	74 76	.....
74	SPRINGHILL.....	127	45	8	8	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	69 00	30 00	160 00	.....	.....
75	D'ARBRONNE.....	128	19	2	2	5	15	1	...	...	...	1 00	26 00	38 00	79 00	.....	.....
76	DAWSON.....	129	27	7	4	4	1	1	...	...	...	15 00	41 00	54 00	162 00	6 72	10 46
77	SOLOMON.....	130	25	2	2	1	1	1	...	...	...	73 72	30 00	50 00	91 00	.....	4 28
78	SHILOH.....	131	49	...	1	6	10	...	...	...	...	11 72	51 00	98 00	165 00	.....	.....
79	WARREN.....	132	27	...	7	3	2	...	...	...	...	0 18	43 00	54 00	97 18	.....	.....
80	GORDY.....	133	35	5	3	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	44 00	66 00	107 00	1 54	.....
81	HARRY HILL.....	134	33	5	4	4	2	2	...	...	...	1 46	46 00	66 00	97 00	.....	.....
82	PLAINS.....	135	33	4	4	5	1	2	...	...	...	...	46 00	66 00	113 10	.....	.....
83	ATHENS.....	136	23	5	4	3	3	1	...	...	...	1 10	35 00	46 00	135 44	.....	.....
84	JEFFERSONIAN.....	138	19	4	4	4	2	...	...	...	...	94 44	31 00	38 00	40 00	8 72	.....
85	HOUA.....	139	29	1	2	2	4	...	...	...	...	0 72	33 00	58 00	94 00	.....	2 28
86	COOL SPRING.....	140	48	2	2	4	4	1	...	...	...	...	56 00	96 00	152 00	.....	.....
87	HUNTINGTON.....	141	29	5	3	4	2	...	...	...	...	...	41 00	58 00	99 00	.....	.....
88	HOMER.....	142	36	7	2	4	2	2	...	...	...	3 00	49 00	72 00	124 00	.....	2 00
89	DOWNSVILLE.....	143	22	4	2	3	1	1	...	...	...	5 45	31 00	44 00	80 45	.....	.....
90	OCEAN.....	144	51	6	4	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	63 00	102 00	165 00	.....	.....



91	HOPE.....	145	21	2	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	6 00	25 00	42 00	73 00	.....	.....					
92	SILENT BROTHERHOOD.....	146	15	2	1	1	1	2	...	...	...	.....	19 00	30 00	49 00	.....	.....					
93	ANACOCO.....	147	22	7	6	7	3	1	...	...	...	30 82	42 00	44 00	116 82	.....	.....					
94	RED LAND.....	148	20	6	5	5	1	1	...	...	...	1 00	36 00	40 00	76 00	1 00	.....					
95	DARLINGTON.....	149	22	3	3	5	1	3	...	...	...	0 30	33 00	44 00	77 30	.....	.....					
96	PERKINS.....	150	23	5	3	4	7	...	...	...	...	.....	35 00	46 00	81 00	.....	.....					
97	EASTERN STAR.....	151	36	12	14	11	7	...	...	...	...	.....	73 00	72 00	145 00	.....	.....					
98	HOMER.....	152	23	1	...	2	11	3	...	...	...	.....	26 00	46 00	72 00	.....	.....					
99	SAINTS JOHN.....	153	31	19	13	13	4	...	...	...	...	.....	76 00	62 00	138 00	.....	.....					
100	FILLMORE.....	154	30	3	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	.....	37 00	60 00	100 00	.....	3 00					
101	CHERRY RIDGE.....	155	18	5	6	6	...	2	...	...	...	0 97	35 00	36 00	71 97	.....	.....					
102	KISSATCHIE.....	156	16	6	5	4	3	...	...	...	...	5 10	31 00	32 00	68 10	.....	.....					
103	GROSSE TETE.....	U.D.	12	6	2	1	3	...	...	...	...	.....	21 00	24 00	45 00	.....	.....					
104	RAPIDES.....	"	27	13	15	13	3	1	...	...	...	0 97	68 00	54 00	122 00	0 97	.....					
105	MORGANZA.....	"	26	24	21	16	1	2	...	...	...	.....	87 00	52 00	139 00	.....	.....					
106	LIVINGSTON.....	"	21	12	10	8	2	...	...	...	...	.....	51 00	42 00	93 00	.....	.....					
* No Returns.			.....	4324	633	536	527	241	255	101	137	10	27	253	55	1933	54	6020 00	8648 00	14.602 37	1812 80	67 27

# REGISTER OF LODGES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

	NAMES OF LODGES.	NO.	WHERE LOCATED.	DATE CHARTER.	MASTERS' NAMES.	SECRETARYS' NAMES.
1	Perfect Union.....	1	N. Orleans, Rampart, between Main and St. Philip streets...	July 12, 1812	A. Pitot, Jr.....	Chas. Laffon.....
2	Polar Star.....	1	" " " " " "	July 12, 1812	A. R. Morel.....	M. Meilleur.....
3	Concorde.....	3	" " " " " "	July 12, 1812	F. L. Nicomede.....	P. A. Letourneur...
4	Los Amigos del Orden.	5	" " " " " "	Sept. 24, 1842	Valerio Garcia.....	José Acebal.....
5	St. Andrew.....	5	New Orleans, Conti, between Villere and Robertson streets...	June 3, 1839	J. B. Ternot.....	E. D. Loubet.....
6	Humble Cottage.....	19	Opelousas, St. Landry Parish, Louisiana.....	July 12, 1820	P. L. Hebrard.....	Eugene Pilate.....
7	St. Albans.....	28	Jackson, East Feliciana, Louisiana.....	July 12, 1827	G. W. Catlett.....	E. C. Kiblinger.....
8	Feliciana.....	31	St. Francisville, West Feliciana, Louisiana.....	March 9, 1828	L. D. Brewer.....	James A. Scott.....
9	Phoenix.....	38	Natchitoches, Louisiana.....	Oct. 6, 1836	John Blair Smith.....	Wm. Payne.....
10	Foyer Maçonnique.....	44	New Orleans, Rampart, between Main and St. Philip streets.	Oct. 7, 1838	Joseph Santini.....	F. G. Chiffelle.....
11	Jackson.....	45	Greenwood, Caddo Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 28, 1843	A. Flournoy, Sr.....	J. A. McRady.....
12	Germania.....	46	New Orleans, St. Louis, near Claiborne street.....	April 18, 1844	Peter Jensen.....	J. M. Huber.....
13	St. James.....	47	Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	June 28, 1844	Rich'd H. Day.....	Jno. R. Dufrocq.....
14	Providence.....	50	Lake Providence, Louisiana.....	April 19, 1845	Geo. G. Willson.....	Isaac N. Kent.....
15	Minden.....	51	Minden, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	April 19, 1845	Wm. Lee.....	A. Landsberg.....
16	Olive.....	52	Clinton, Parish of East Feliciana, Louisiana.....	Nov. 27, 1845	G. W. Munday.....	J. G. D'Armond.....
17	Union Fraternal.....	53	Farmersville, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Sept. 21, 1845	Hy. Regensburg.....	Wm. C. Smith.....
18	Mount Gerzim.....	54	Bastrop, Morehouse Parish, Louisiana.....	Nov. 28, 1846	J. M. Brice.....	W. L. C. McMurtry...
19	DeSoto.....	55	Mansfield, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana.....	March 27, 1847	Jno. H. Sutherland...	Jno. H. Eastham...
20	Lafayette.....	56	Vernon, Jackson Parish, Louisiana.....	Nov. 27, 1847	Jno. C. Jones.....	Joseph R. Ryan.....
21	Franklin.....	57	Franklin, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 25, 1848	Jno. C. Gordy.....	C. M. Smith.....
22	Friends of Harmony...	58	N. Orleans, G. L. Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets	April 22, 1848	Sam'l Harby.....	A. DeSola.....
23	Mount Moriah.....	59	New Orleans, O. F. Hall, corner Camp and Lafayette streets	March 24, 1849	J. T. Watts.....	Jas. Furneaux.....
24	Western Star.....	61	Monroe, Louisiana.....	May 1, 1849	Joseph F. McGuire...	Jno. A. McGuire...
25	Tunica.....	63	Tunica Landing, Louisiana.....	Jan. 28, 1850	Jno. J. Seeders.....	Wm. T. Cox.....
26	George Washington....	65	New Orleans, G. L. Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts.	March 4, 1850	James B. Scot.....	Sam'l G. Risk.....
27	Dudley.....	66	" " " " " "	March 4, 1850	Wm. H. Stewart.....	S. I. Guillet.....
28	Marion.....	68	" " " " " "	March 4, 1850	Thos. F. Hedges...	A. A. Wilkins.....
29	Hiram.....	70	" " " " " "	March 4, 1850	S. P. Solomon.....	J. P. A. Maguire...
30	Alpha.....	72	" " " " " "	March 4, 1850	D. F. Mitchell.....	C. C. Campbell.....
31	Sabine.....	75	Fort Jesup, Sabine Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	G. Munson.....	J. T. Wagley.....
32	Quitman.....	76	New Orleans, G. L. Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts.	March 4, 1850	Geo. M. Beaman...	H. J. Stansbury.....
33	Mount Moriah.....	77	Port Hudson, Parish of East Feliciana, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	John Caldwell.....	Wm. Richardson.....
34	Orleans.....	78	New Orleans, G. L. Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts.	March 4, 1850	A. P. Dostie.....	Joseph Chellet.....
35	St. Joseph.....	79	St. Joseph, Tensas Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	S. B. Stampley.....	Thos. P. Farrar.....
36	DeWitt Clinton.....	80	Marion, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	J. A. White.....	J. B. Wallace.....
37	Mount Vernon.....	83	Logansport, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	John W. Martin.....	Thos. B. Baldwin...

38 Oliver.....	84 Alexandria, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	Wm. B. Hyman.....	Henry Klotz.....
39 Lafayette.....	87 Pattersonville, Parish of St. Mary, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	Thos. Wilcoxon.....	Bernard Levy.....
40 Many*.....	88 Many, Sabine Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	.....	.....
41 Cypress.....	89 Collinsburg, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	J. T. Turnley.....	N. M. Sentell.....
42 Thibodaux Benevolent.	90 Thibodaux, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1851	Clifford Belcher.....	C. C. Williams.....
43 Monticello.....	92 Monticello, Carroll Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1851	H. R. Lott.....	R. H. Dollerhide....
44 Napoleon.....	94 Marion, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1851	Benjamin Ford.....	J. M. Turner.....
45 St. Helena.....	96 Greensburg, St. Helena Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1851	Wm. A. Carter.....	Lemuel R. Parker...
46 Patmos.....	97 Richmond, Madison Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 17, 1854	Josiah Stanbrough..	A. E. Adams.....
47 Hermitage.....	98 New Orleans, corner Magazine and Philip streets.....	Jan. 21, 1851	Dan'l Wilson.....	Wm. Weser.....
48 Henderson.....	99 Cottle, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1851	L. E. Texada.....	Moses Rosenthal....
49 Franklinton.....	101 Franklinton, Washington Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1851	James M. Burris....	Robt. Babington.....
50 Louisiana.....	102 New Orleans, G. L. Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts.	Jan. 23, 1851	W. C. Driver.....	J. B. Walton.....
51 Cloutierville.....	103 Cloutierville, Parish of Natchitoches, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1852	J. W. Norris.....	John Carnahan, Jr...
52 Mount Lebanon.....	104 Mount Lebanon, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1852	C. G. Thurmond....	G. L. Holstein.....
53 Trinity.....	105 Trinity, Catahoula Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1852	J. Peebles.....	J. R. Wooldridge....
54 Vienna.....	106 Vienna, Jackson Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1852	Wm. P. Otts.....	R. A. Wade.....
55 Sparta.....	108 Sparta, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1852	H. N. Dubose.....	John G. Noles.....
56 Castor.....	109 Castor, Caldwell Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1852	W. L. DeGraffenreidt	Wm. M. Raymond....
57 Harrisonburg.....	110 Harrisonburg, Catahoula Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1852	Wm. M. Tew.....	Wm. Griffin.....
58 Urim.....	111 Forksville, Ouachita Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 2, 1853	Wm. M. Fuller.....	Caldwell Bishop.....
59 Bartholomew.....	112 Plantersville, Morehouse Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 25, 1853	A. S. Washburn.....	John M. Hilliard....
60 Thomas Jefferson.....	113 Spear's Store, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 25, 1853	Wm. L. Spears.....	Sidney H. Griffin...
61 Friendship.....	114 Woodville, Jackson Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 25, 1853	John W. Jones.....	B. F. Smith.....
62 Shreveport.....	115 Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 27, 1852	J. W. Jones.....	Vincent Ritchie....
63 Acacia.....	116 Plaquemine, Iberville Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 17, 1854	Henry S. Browne...	Allen Jumel.....
64 Milford.....	117 Manchac Settlement, East Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	Jan. 20, 1854	Wm. L. Burnett.....	Thos. J. Singeltary..
65 Terryville.....	118 Quay P. O., Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 17, 1854	C. T. Williams.....	L. A. Duty.....
66 Constantine.....	119 Waterproof, Tensas Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 17, 1854	J. P. Womack.....	W. F. Lynch.....
67 Deerfield.....	120 Deerfield, Carroll Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 17, 1854	G. W. Trezevant.....	Wm. C. Purvis.....
68 Lisbon.....	121 Lisbon, Louisiana.....	Jan. 17, 1854	T. H. Pennington...	Ben. R. Coleman....
69 Mackey.....	122 Ringgold, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 20, 1854	J. D. Cawthon.....	Alex'r J. Kolb.....
70 Liberty.....	123 Keachi, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	W. M. Turner.....	Frank E. Wood.....
71 Kellertown.....	124 Kellertown, East Feliciana, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	A. J. Norwood.....	Sam'l W. Reilly.....
72 Pearl River.....	125 Line Academy, Washington Parish, La., Fordsville P. O., Miss	Feb. 14, 1855	James F. Ard.....	H. W. Johnson.....
73 Arcadia.....	126 Arcadia, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	R. M. Searcy.....	R. J. Wheaton.....
74 Springhill.....	127 Springhill Church, Union Cross Roads, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	James Moore.....	J. W. Hopkins.....
75 Dawson.....	129 Scottville, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	J. S. Gilbert.....	Robt. E. Thompson...
76 Solomon.....	130 Goodrich Landing, Pecan Grove, P. O., Carroll Parish, La...	Feb. 17, 1855	Thos. Mershon.....	A. C. Smith.....
77 Shiloh.....	131 Shiloh, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	R. G. Pleasant.....	J. C. B. White.....

\*No Returns.

# REGISTER OF LODGES.....Concluded.

	NAMES OF LODGES.	NO.	WHERE LOCATED.	DATE CHARTER.	MASTERS' NAMES.	SECRETARIES' NAMES.
78	Warren .....	132	Winnsboro', Franklin Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	Joseph Pettit.....	W. H. Joyce.....
79	Gordy .....	133	Cheneyville, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	J. W. Pearce.....	Wm. H. Scott.....
80	Harry Hill .....	134	Bastrop, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	Sylvester G. Parsons	Wm. T. Hall.....
81	Plains .....	135	Plains, East Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1856	H. C. Young.....	R. W. Y. Newport..
82	Athens.....	136	Athens, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1856	C. L. Hays.....	John R. Ramsey....
83	Jeffersonian .....	138	Jefferson Steam Mills, Kingston P. O., De Soto Parish, La...	Feb. 12, 1856	L. L. Tomkies.....	W. S. Frierson.....
84	Houma.....	139	Houma, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1856	J. L. Jennings.....	H. Newell.....
85	Cool Spring.....	140	Cool Spring Academy, Homer P. O., Claiborne Parish, La.	Feb. 12, 1856	J. E. Burch.....	A. Jarvis.....
86	Huntington.....	141	Minden, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1856	Almand Spencer.....	Walter Rossman....
87	Home .....	142	New Orleans, corner of Magazine and Philip streets.....	Feb. 12, 1856	J. C. Batchelor.....	Wm. Drews.....
88	Downsville .....	143	Downsville, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1856	B. F. Farmer.....	J. E. Woodward.....
89	Ocean .....	144	New Orleans, Marigny Buildings, Third District.....	Feb. 10, 1857	A. Goldman.....	J. A. Letten.....
90	Hope.....	145	Vermillionville, Lafayette Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1857	M. E. Girard.....	Wm. Brandt.....
91	Silent Brotherhood....	146	Coushatta Chute, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1857	F. L. Armistead.....	A. B. Hailey.....
92	Anacoco.....	147	Anacoco Post Office, Sabine Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1857	R. W. Martin.....	A. C. Smart.....
93	Red Land.....	148	Pine Flat Post Office, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1857	J. B. Campbell.....	J. G. Allen.....
94	Darlington .....	149	Darlington, St. Helena Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1858	Samuel Davis.....	H. S. Graves.....
95	Perkins .....	150	Donaldsonville, Ascension Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1858	P. A. Lockhard.....	H. W. Miller.....
96	Eastern Star.....	151	Winnfield, Winn Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1858	Wm. Walker.....	J. L. Walker.....
97	Homer.....	152	Homer, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1858	James M. Thomasson	E. B. Whitson.....
98	Saints John.....	153	Algiers, Parish of Orleans, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1858	A. B. Seger.....	Theophilus Thayer..
99	Fillmore .....	154	Fillmore, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1858	A. J. McDade.....	W. E. Hamilton.....
100	Cherry Ridge.....	155	Cherry Ridge, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1858	J. M. Bruce.....	W. C. Carr.....
101	Kissatchie .....	156	Kissatchie, Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1858	N. G. McNeely.....	B. D. Owen.....
102	Grosse Tête.....	157	Bayou Grosse Tête, Louisiana.....	Feb. 18, 1859	Matthew Marr.....	J. H. Johnston.....
103	Rapides.....	158	Huddlestone Post Office, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 16, 1859	G. B. Burr.....	Lewis Cooper.....
104	Morganza .....	159	Morganza, Pointe Coupée, Louisiana.....	Feb. 16, 1859	J. W. Newsom.....	J. T. Strother.....
105	Livingston .....	160	Ponchitoula, Livingston Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 16, 1859	John M. Mahoney....	James H. Loveland.
106	Brookville.....	U. D.	Lafourche Lake, Morehouse Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 21, 1859	D. S. Beauchamp....	.....
107	Burnsville .....	U. D.	Shangaloo, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 21, 1859	Shelby Baucum.....	.....
108	Atchafalaya .....	U. D.	Simmsport, Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1859	Jerome B. Robinson	.....
109	Columbia .....	U. D.	Columbia, Caldwell Parish, Louisiana.....	March 17, 1859	Wade H. Hough.....	.....

# LIST OF PAST GRAND OFFICERS

OF THE

## GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA,

WHO BECAME PERMANENT MEMBERS THEREOF BY VIRTUE OF THEIR OFFICE,

FROM ITS ORGANIZATION.

YEAR.	GRAND MASTERS.	DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.	SENIOR GRAND WARDENS.	JUNIOR GRAND WARDENS.
1812	L. F. Dubourg*	L. Moreau Lislet*	J. Blanque*	Francis Pernot*
1813	L. F. Dubourg	L. Moreau Lislet	J. Blanque	Francis Pernot
1814	L. F. Dubourg	L. Moreau Lislet	J. Soulié*	Dominique Roquette
1815	J. Soulié*	L. Moreau Lislet	Dominique Roquette	Modeste Lefebvre*
1816	J. Soulié	L. Moreau Lislet	Modeste Lefebvre*	Y. Lemonnier*
1817	J. Soulié	L. Moreau Lislet	Modeste Lefebvre	Y. Lemonnier
1818	L. Moreau Lislet*	Modeste Lefebvre*	Jean B. Desbois	Y. Lemonnier
1819	Modest Lefebvre*	Jean B. Desbois	Y. Lemonnier*	Aug. Macarty*
1820	Y. Lemonnier*	Aug. Macarty*	J. F. Canonge*	G. Dubuys*
1821	Aug. Macarty*	J. F. Canonge*	G. Dubuys*	A. Peychaud
1822	J. F. Canonge*	G. Dubuys*	Y. Lemonnier	G. Leaumont
1823	D. F. Burthe*	G. Dubuys	L. Moreau Lislet*	L. A. de Bodin*
1824	J. F. Canonge	Y. Lemonnier*	L. A. de Bodin*	A. Longer*
1825	John H. Holland	L. A. de Bodin*	A. Longer*	Charles Maurian*
1826	John H. Holland	M. Flietas	A. Longer	Charles Maurian
1827	John H. Holland	A. Morphy*	Charles Maurian*	A. Morphy*
1828	John H. Holland	D. F. Burthe*	Charles Maurian	A. Longer
1829	J. F. Canonge	A. Longer*	M. Fouché Cougot	J. B. Faget
1830	John H. Holland	J. B. Faget	Seth W. Nye	J. B. Faget
1831	John H. Holland	Aug. Douce*	Seth W. Nye	Jean Lamothe
1832	John H. Holland	Aug. Douce	Jean Lamothe	Thomas Blois*
1833	John H. Holland	Aug. Douce	Jean Lamothe	J. B. F. Giquel*
1834	John H. Holland	Aug. Douce	F. J. Verrier	Charles Reveille
1835	John H. Holland	J. Viosca	J. B. F. Giquel*	J. B. F. Giquel
1836	L. H. Feraud*	F. J. Verrier	J. B. F. Giquel	Jean Lamothe
1837	L. H. Feraud	J. B. Mercier*	J. B. Lambert*	F. Coquet
1838	John H. Holland	Alexander Phillips	F. J. Verrier	Zenon Colson
1839	John H. Holland	G. A. Montmain	J. Viosca	Perez Snell†
1840	A. W. Pichot*	Jean Lamothe	J. Viossa	Ramon Vionnet†
1841	A. W. Pichot	Ramon Vionnet†	Paul Bertus*	Ramon Vionnet
1842	Jean Lamothe	Felix Garcia	A. D. Guesnon	Ramon Viosca
1843	E. A. Canon*	Robert Preaux	Lucien Hermann	H. Kidel
1844	E. A. Canon	Felix Garcia	Lucien Hermann	Francis Calongne*
1845	Robert Preaux	Lucien Hermann	Francis Calongne*	Francis Calongne
1846	Felix Garcia	Robert Preaux	Francis Calongne*	Joseph Lisbony†
1847	Felix Garcia	Lucien Hermann	Francis Calongne*	Roman Brugier†
1848	{ Felix Garcia	{ Lucien Hermann	{ Thos. B. Patten*	{ Alexander Derbes
L. G. L.	{ M. R. Dudley*	{ Thomas H. Lewis	{ W. P. Coleman	{ G. Gorin
1849	{ Lucien Hermann	{ F. Calongne*	{ Antoine Mondelli	{ Simon Meilleur
L. G. L.	{ John Gedge*	{ John W. Crockett*	{ Wm. M. Perkins	{ J. W. McNamar
1850	Lucien Hermann	F. Calongne	Antoine Mondelli	George W. Catlett
1851	John Gedge	George W. Catlett	R. F. McGuire	Geo. D. Shadburne
1852	H. R. W. Hill*	Robert F. McGuire	Wm. L. Knox	Law. P. Crain*
1853	H. R. W. Hill	Wm. L. Knox	S. M. Hart	S. O. Scruggs
1854	Wm. M. Perkins	Wm. L. Knox	H. W. Huntington*	S. O. Scruggs
1855	Wm. M. Perkins	Geo. D. Shadburne	M. H. Dosson	A. J. Norwood
1856	Wm. M. Perkins	M. H. Dosson	Louis Texada	Joseph Santini
1857	Wm. M. Perkins	Amos Adams	A. S. Washburn	
1858	Amos Adams	Samuel M. Todd	S. O. Scruggs	
1859	Samuel M. Todd	S. O. Scruggs	A. J. Norwood	

\*Dead. †Expelled by Grand Lodge for defalcation and swindling as Grand Treasurer. ‡Not in good standing.

# ABSTRACT AND STATISTICS FROM PROCEEDINGS

GRAND LODGES.	GRAND MASTERS.		GRAND SECRETARIES.		DATE OF PROCEEDINGS RECEIVED AND STATISTICS TAKEN.
	NAMES.	RESIDENCES.	NAMES.	RESIDENCES.	
ALABAMA.....	R. H. Ervin.....	Camden.....	Daniel Sayre.....	Montgomery.....	Dec. 6, 1858
ARKANSAS.....	Luke E. Barber.....	Little Rock.....	T. D. Merriek.....	Little Rock.....	Nov. 2 1857
CALIFORNIA.....	N. Greene Curtis.....	Sacramento.....	Alexander G. Abel.....	San Francisco.....	May 11, 1858
CONNECTICUT.....	George F. Daskam.....	.....	E. G. Storer.....	New Haven.....	May 13, 1857
DELAWARE.....	John R. McFee.....	Georgetown.....	Wm. S. Hayes.....	Wilmington.....	Aug. 17, 1858
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.....	George C. Whiting.....	Washington.....	G. A. Schwarzman.....	Washington.....	Dec. 27, 1857
FLORIDA.....	Thomas Y. Henry.....	Quincy.....	John B. Taylor, M.D.....	Tallahassee.....	Jan. 11, 1858
GEORGIA.....	Wm. S. Rockwell.....	Savannah.....	Simri Rose.....	Macon.....	Oct. 27, 1857
ILLINOIS.....	Ira A. W. Back.....	Aurora.....	H. G. Reynolds.....	Springfield.....	Oct. 5, 1858
INDIANA.....	Solomon D. Bayless.....	Fort Wayne.....	Francis King.....	Indianapolis.....	May 24, 1858
IOWA.....	James R. Hartsock.....	Iowa City.....	T. S. Parvin.....	Muscatine.....	June 1, 1858
KANSAS.....	R. R. Rees.....	Leavenworth City.....	Charles Mundee.....	Fl. Leavenworth.....	Oct. 18, 1858
KENTUCKY.....	Rob Morris.....	Louisville.....	John M. S. McCorkle.....	Greensburg.....	Oct. 11, 1858
LOUISIANA.....	Samuel M. Todd.....	New Orleans.....	Samuel G. Risk.....	New Orleans.....	Feb. 14, 1859
MAINE.....	Hiram Chase.....	Belfast.....	Ira Berry.....	Portland.....	May 4, 1858
MARYLAND.....	Charles Webb.....	Baltimore.....	Joseph Robinson.....	Baltimore.....	Nov. 16, 1857
MASSACHUSETTS.....	John T. Heard.....	Boston.....	Charles W. Moore.....	Boston.....	Dec. 28, 1857
MICHIGAN.....	J. Adams Allen.....	Kalamazoo.....	James Fenton.....	Detroit.....	Jan. 12, 1859
MINNESOTA.....	A. T. C. Pierson.....	St. Paul.....	George W. Prescott.....	St. Paul.....	Oct. 26, 1858
MISSISSIPPI.....	W. P. Mellen.....	Natchez.....	R. W. T. Daniel.....	Jackson.....	Jan. —, 1858
MISSOURI.....	Samuel H. Saunders.....	Otterville.....	A. O'Sullivan.....	St. Louis.....	May 24, 1858
NEBRASKA.....	Robert C. Jordan.....	Omaha.....	R. W. Furnas.....	Brownville.....	June 2, 1858
NEW HAMPSHIRE.....	George H. Hubbard.....	Manchester.....	Horace Chase.....	Hopkinton.....	June 9, 1857
NEW JERSEY.....	Joseph Trimble.....	Camden.....	Joseph H. Hough.....	Trenton.....	Jan. 13, 1858
NEW YORK.....	John L. Lewis.....	Penn Yan.....	Jas. M. Austin, M.D.....	New York City.....	June 1, 1858
NORTH CAROLINA.....	Alfred Martin.....	Wilmington.....	Wm. T. Bain.....	Raleigh.....	Dec. 7, 1857
OHIO.....	Horace M. Stokes.....	Lebanon.....	John D. Caldwell.....	Cincinnati.....	Oct. 19, 1858
OREGON.....	Benjamin Stark.....	Portland.....	C. J. Trenchard.....	Astoria.....	July 12, 1858
PENNSYLVANIA.....	Henry M. Philips.....	.....	Wm. H. Adams.....	Philadelphia.....	Dec. 7, 1857
RHODE ISLAND.....	James Hutchison.....	Providence.....	Wm. C. Barker.....	Providence.....	June 24, 1858
SOUTH CAROLINA.....	Henry Buist.....	Charleston.....	Alb't G. Mackey, M.D.....	Charleston.....	Nov. 18, 1858
TENNESSEE.....	John Frizzell.....	Winchester.....	Charles A. Fuller.....	Nashville.....	Oct. 4, 1858
TEXAS.....	Henry Sampson.....	Houston.....	A. S. Ruthven.....	Galveston.....	June —, 1858
VERMONT.....	Philip C. Tucker.....	Vergennes.....	John B. Hollenbeck.....	Burlington.....	Jan. 13, 1858
VIRGINIA.....	P. B. Stark.....	.....	John Dove.....	Richmond.....	Dec. 14, 1857
WISCONSIN.....	Luther M. Tracy.....	Milwaukee.....	John W. Hunt.....	Madison.....	June 8, 1858
TOTAL.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

# OF GRAND LODGES OF THE UNITED STATES, ETC.

WHERE HELD.	WHEN ORGANIZED.	CONVENTION HELD IN	LODGES IN CONVENTION.	LODGES ENROLLED.	LODGES MAKING RETURNS.	MEMBERS RETURNED.	INITIATIONS.	APPLICANTS.	DEMISSIONS.	DEATHS.	SUSPENSIONS.	EXPULSIONS.	GRAND LODGE T. S.
Montgomery.....	June 14, 1821	Cahawba.....	9	254	220	7,260	920	253	620	102	31	31	\$3,407 94
Little Rock.....	Feb. 22, 1832	.....	.....	103	102	3,048	458	137	.....	36	21	14	2,557 00
Sacramento.....	April 11, 1850	San Francisco...	3	117	117	4,474	882	435	740	64	19	3	7,494 00
Hartford.....	July 8, 1789	New Haven.....	12	54	51	4,463	455	39	87	45	2	7	455 00
Georgetown.....	June 6, 1806	Wilmington.....	5	12	10	512	7	.....	16	11	1	.....	114 00
Washington.....	Dec. 11, 1810	Washington.....	5	11	11	616	117	16	71	14	9	.....	608 62
Tallahassee.....	July 5, 1830	Tallahassee.....	.....	38	33	1,278	166	.....	21	63	8	8	1,438 00
Macon.....	Dec. 16, 1786	Savannah.....	.....	208	188	12,310	1,247	322	644	81	305	60	9,392 86
Springfield.....	April 6, 1840	Jacksonville.....	5	290	285	10,571	1,841	492	497	91	146	63	7,579 40
Indianapolis.....	Jan. 12, 1818	.....	5	236	233	8,594	1,291	322	644	81	305	60	7,708 00
Des Moines.....	Jan. 8, 1844	Iowa City.....	4	138	131	3,950	770	244	314	32	38	43	2,564 75
Leavenworth City..	Mar. 17, 1856	Leavenworth.....	3	9	8	280	94	38	24	3	13	.....	140 00
Lexington.....	Oct. 16, 1800	Lexington.....	.....	302	275	10,319	1,223	.....	.....	131	246	53	10,017 89
New Orleans.....	July 11, 1812	New Orleans....	5	105	104	4,324	633	241	285	101	137	10	14,668 00
Portland.....	June 1, 1820	Portland.....	24	86	79	3,391	480	.....	.....	38	4	3	903 19
Baltimore.....	April 17, 1787	Baltimore.....	.....	33	29	1,449	84	.....	41	11	42	2	1,205 50
Boston.....	July 30, 1733	Boston.....	3	91	86	5,960	940	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand Rapids.....	June 25, 1826	.....	.....	113	86	5,058	825	.....	229	33	2	18	2,225 00
St. Paul.....	Feb. 23, 1853	St. Paul.....	3	28	28	926	149	.....	54	3	6	2	823 13
Jackson.....	July 27, 1818	Natchez.....	3	205	195	7,310	917	308	626	115	357	21	7,918 65
St. Louis.....	April 21, 1821	St. Louis.....	3	160	144	5,700	876	319	431	65	44	26	6,181 50
Nebraska.....	Sept. 23, 1857	Omaha City.....	3	6	6	140	45	18	5	3	.....	1	368 25
Concord.....	July 8, 1789	Portsmouth.....	.....	49	45	1,882	319	.....	123	19	17	4	1,126 25
Trenton.....	Dec. 18, 1786	New Brunswick..	.....	50	46	2,304	334	.....	87	28	36	3	1,209 00
New York City.....	Dec. 2, 1782	New York.....	.....	405	395	26,192	4,022	732	1064	269	33	48	12,739 89
Raleigh.....	Jan. 14, 1771	Newbern.....	.....	127	108	5,019	474	71	194	61	23	21	1,717 75
Columbus.....	Jan. 4, 1808	Chillicothe.....	6	271	263	12,105	1,662	320	748	143	33	51	6,608 00
Astoria.....	Aug. 16, 1851	Oregon City.....	3	24	24	476	183	38	67	6	5	4	979 00
Philadelphia.....	June 20, 1764	Philadelphia.....	.....	136	.....	11,428	1,568	.....	.....	.....	281	.....	14,500 00
Providence.....	June 27, 1791	Newport.....	2	16	16	1,176	130	5	12	8	.....	.....	372 00
Charleston.....	Mar. 24, 1787	Charleston.....	.....	77	71	2,600	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	2	2,235 61
Nashville.....	Oct. 14, 1813	Knoxville.....	7	193	182	9,264	1,071	.....	.....	135	.....	46	3,396 00
Huntsville.....	Dec. 20, 1837	Houston.....	3	217	171	6,422	887	414	441	112	94	17	5,179 70
Burlington.....	Oct. 14, 1794	Rutland.....	5	44	44	2,064	.....	.....	15	20	.....	3	308 00
Richmond.....	May 6, 1777	Williamsburg....	5	167	134	5,016	.....	.....	.....	78	48	11	1,273 25
Milwaukee.....	Dec. 18, 1843	Madison.....	3	100	86	2,907	606	.....	220	31	92	9	2,988 40
.....	.....	.....	.....	4495	4006	190,688	25,671	4775	8320	2033	2400	644	142,403 53

# FOREIGN MASONIC BODIES

## WITH WHICH THE GRAND LODGE OF LOUISIANA IS IN FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE.

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GRAND LODGE OF CANADA - - - - -	William Mercer Wilson - - - - - Simcoe, C. W.	Thomas B. Harris - - - - - Hamilton, C. W.
UNITED GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND - - -	Rt. Hon. Earl of Zetland - - - Freemason's Hall, London	Wm. Gray Clarke, Freemason's Hall, London, W. C.
GRAND LODGE OF IRELAND - - - - -	His Grace the Duke of Leinster, Freemason's Hall, Dublin	John E. Hyndman - - - - - Freemason's Hall, Dublin.
<b>Provincial Grand Lodges under Ireland:</b>		
North Antrim (Northern Division) - -	Andrew Todd Dickey - - - - -	John McLeese - - - - - Antrim.
North Antrim (Southern Division) - -	Andrew Todd Dickey - - - - -	David McKillop - - - - -
Belfast and North Down - - - - -	Marquis of Donegal - - - - - Belfast	George A. Carruthers - - - - - Belfast.
South Down - - - - -	Lieut. Col. Wm. Forde - - - - -	George F. Echlin - - - - -
Londonderry and Donegal - - - - -	Sir James Stewart, Bart - - - - -	John Price - - - - - Donegal.
Munster (Cork) - - - - -	Major General Sir James C. Chatterton, Bart. - - - - -	William Penrose - - - - - Cork.
North Munster (Limerick) - - - - -	Michael Furnell - - - - -	Edward Maunsell - - - - - Limerick.
Portugal - - - - -	Dr. F. G. da Pereria - - - - -	José Maria R. Grillo - - - - -
Victoria (Melbourne) - - - - -	John Thomas Smith - - - - - Melbourne	Joseph William Torrey - - - - - Melbourne.
New South Wales (Sydney) - - - - -	Hon. Sir Daniel Cooper - - - - -	
New Zealand (Auckland) - - - - -	Cormack Patrick O'Rafferty - - - - - Auckland	
GRAND LODGE OF SCOTLAND - - - - -	His Grace the Duke of Athol - - - - - Edinburgh	William A. Laurie - - - - - Edinburgh.
GRAND ORIENT OF FRANCE - - - - -	Prince Lucien Murat - - - - - Paris	E. Rexès - - - - - 16 Rue Cadet, Paris.
GRAND ORIENT OF BELGIUM - - - - -		L. Theremin - - - - - Bruxelles.
GRAND ORIENT OF BRAZIL - - - - -		Joaquin de Gouvea - - - - -
GRAND ORIENT HESPERIC OF SPAIN - - -		Coriolan - - - - -
GRAND ORIENT OF PASSOS MANUEL, OPORTO		
GRAND ROYAL YORK LODGE OF PRUSSIA - -		M. C. Bier - - - - - Berlin.
GRAND LODGE OF THREE GLOBES OF PRUSSIA		E. C. P. Evert - - - - - Berlin.
GRAND LODGE OF FRANKFORT ON THE MAINE		
NATIONAL GRAND LODGE OF GERMANY - -		D. G. Bush - - - - - Berlin
GRAND LODGE OF HANOVER - - - - -		
GRAND LODGE OF SAXONY - - - - -		
GRAND LODGE OF THE SUN OF BAVARIA - -		
GRAND LODGE OF HAMBURG* - - - - -		
GRAND LODGE OF DENMARK - - - - -		
GRAND LODGE OF HESSE DARMSTADT - -		
NATIONAL GRAND LODGE OF HOLLAND - -		
NATIONAL GRAND LODGE OF SWEDEN - -		J. Hogenbuch - - - - -
NATIONAL ALPINE LODGE OF SWITZERLAND		
PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF BAHIA - -		
GRAND LODGE OF TURKEY - - - - -	C. G. Carrer, LL.D. - - - - - Smyrna	F. Turrell - - - - - Smyrna.

\* This Body is not recognized by us, for reasons stated in our Grand Lodge Proceedings of 1852, page 75—1853, p. 93—1854, p. 45—1855, p. 73—1859, Appendix, p. 97.



# APPENDIX.

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REPORT  
OF  
COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

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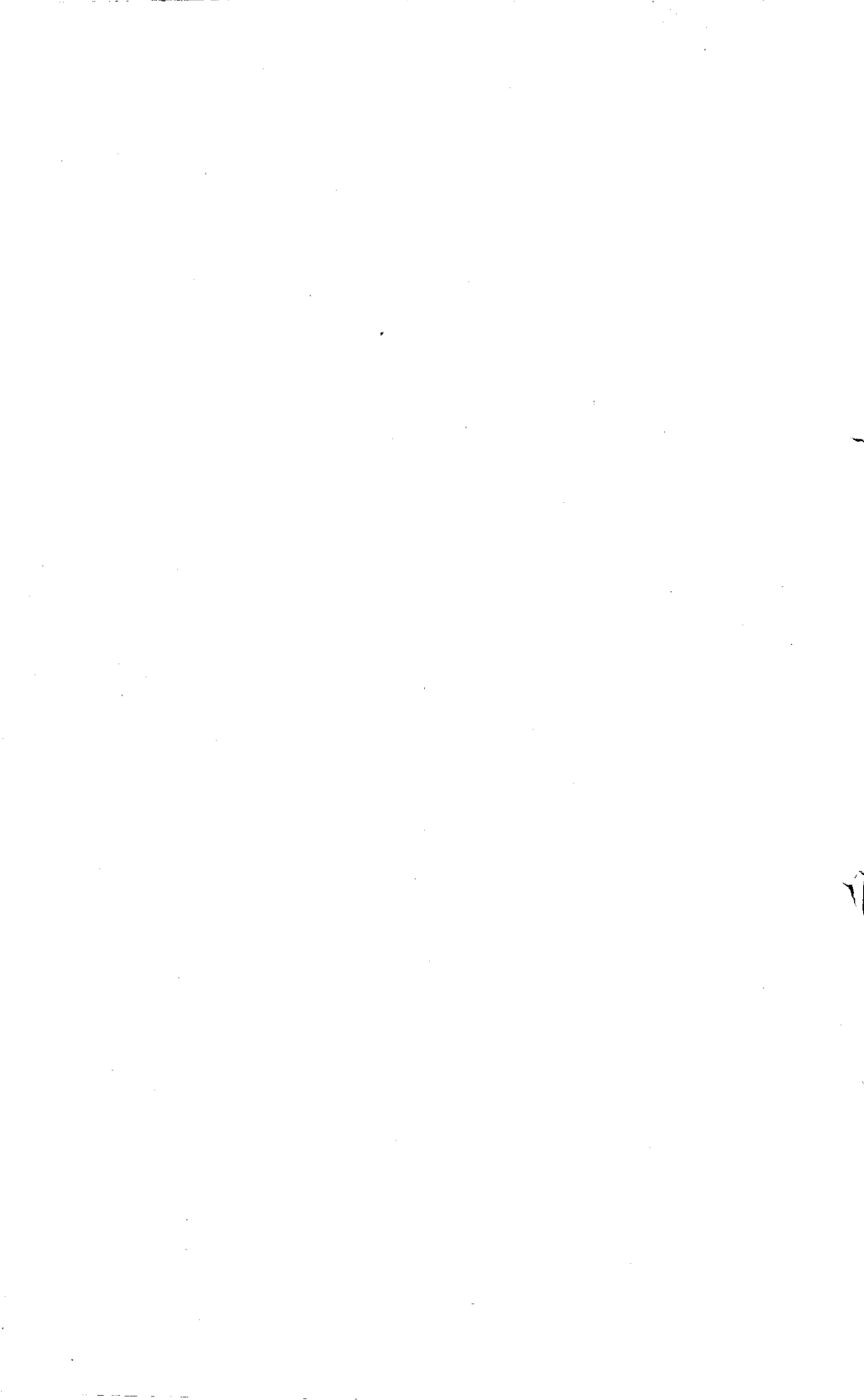
PETITION AND MEMORIAL  
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SPECIAL COMMUNICATION  
OF  
THE GRAND LODGE OF LOUISIANA.

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EXPULSIONS, SUSPENSIONS, ETC.,  
IN 1858.



# REPORT

OF THE

## Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee on Foreign Correspondence, have had under consideration the proceedings of the following sister Grand Lodges:

ALABAMA, for 1857.	MINNESOTA, Jan. and Oct. 1858.
ARKANSAS, 1857.	MISSISSIPPI, 1858.
CALIFORNIA, 1858.	MISSOURI, 1858.
CANADA, 1858.	NEBRASKA, 1858.
DELAWARE, 1857—1858.	NEW JERSEY, 1858.
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1857.	NEW YORK, 1858.
FLORIDA, 1858.	NORTH CAROLINA, 1857—'58.
GEORGIA, 1857.	OREGON, 1858.
ILLINOIS, 1858.	PENNSYLVANIA, 1857.
INDIANA, 1858.	RHODE ISLAND, 1857—1858.
IOWA, 1858.	SOUTH CAROLINA, 1858.
KANSAS, 1857—1858.	TENNESSEE, 1857—1858.
KENTUCKY, 1858.	TEXAS, 1858.
MAINE, 1858.	VERMONT, 1858.
MARYLAND, 1857.	VIRGINIA, 1857.
MASSACHUSETTS, 1857.	WISCONSIN, 1858.
MICHIGAN, 1858.	

And the following documents, namely:

A circular from Hawaiian Lodge, Sandwich Islands. One from the following Grand Lodges: Virginia, Ireland, the Provincial Grand Lodge of Australia, the Masonic Calender, for 1858, from the Grand Orient of France, and the Proceedings of the Convention for the Formation of the Grand Lodge of Turkey, held at Symrna, in 1857; in all, the proceedings of thirty-three Grand Lodges.

The great amount of reading in these documents, has prevented your Committee from taking anything more than a cursory glance at their contents, except as to those portions in which the action of our own jurisdiction had been noticed, and where we have found, upon a hasty glance, proceedings had, or opinions held, which were deemed by us to be contrary to the ancient and established usages and customs of the Order. Where our proceedings have been noticed in matters of moment we have endeavored to throw light upon the various subjects treated of, defended ourselves where defense was required, and made all such explanations as we deemed the matter to require. Where we have found grave questions of Masonic Law or usage treated of, we have unhesitatingly taken them up, quoted with commendation when we could with consistency, and, in a few instances, where, to our minds, a departure was being made from what we considered the right path, we have freely expressed our views, and as ably as our limited faculties permitted, have given our reasons. A majority of matters have been treated of under the heads of the respective Grand Lodges, where they occur; a few others, however, have found so wide a circuit of notice that it has been thought advisable to treat them under appropriate heads, where the views of all parties could be brought together and commented upon in a manner more satisfactory and complete, than could otherwise have obtained.

### ALABAMA.

The opening address of the M. W. Grand Master, at the communication held in December, 1857, contains, among many beautiful and interesting passages upon different subjects, a brief sketch of the life and Masonic history of that true Mason and estimable man, Amund P. Pfister, the late Grand Secretary of that Grand Lodge, a tribute to his memory well deserved, as it is appropriately expressed. Further along, he says, "that it is not so much the numerical strength of the

Order that gives it position and respectability, as the intellectual and moral character of its members," a saying which cannot be too often repeated, again and again. He enforces, at considerable length, the necessity of Masonic reading—that every Lodge should be provided with a library, and that library should be read. He calls attention to "one of the greatest evils with which we have to contend; it is the aspiration for office. It is too frequently the case that a brother is desirous of being elected Master or Warden of a Lodge, and failing in his aspirations, considers his *claims* overlooked, becomes dissatisfied and withdraws; perhaps gets up another Lodge in rivalry of his old one, and becomes its Master." "Another matter intimately connected with the foregoing, is the absolute necessity of electing to the office of W. M., a brother of 'good repute,' one who is 'well tried, true and trusty,' who is 'able to read and expound the law;' in short, one who is every way worthy to preside over the 'Sons of Light,' and when you have found such an one, to retain him."

Past Masters' Jewels were presented to Past Grand Masters S. A. M. Wood and Edward Herndon, with appropriate remarks. A complete set of Morris's "Universal Masonic Library," was ordered by a vote, by Lodges, of 131 to 13, to be procured for each Subordinate Lodge—a great but praiseworthy act. The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was general in its nature, but being wholly upon matters reported upon by your previous Committees, requires no further comment from us.

## ARKANSAS.

In the proceedings of this Grand Lodge, held on the 2d November, 1857, we find the chief feature to be a most beautiful and interesting address from Bro. E. H. English, delivered on the occasion of laying the corner stone of St. John's college, from which we would make extracts did our limits permit. The other matters contained in these proceedings are either of a local character, indicating a high degree of prosperity, or references to subjects of such old data as to require no particular comment or further notice.

## CALIFORNIA.

We always take up the proceedings of this Grand Lodge with great interest, and in the expectation of receiving much pleasure in their perusal, and this was especially the case with the proceedings of the Ninth Annual Communication, held in May, 1858. The address of the Grand Master is so completely one single cluster of gems, that we refrain from quoting any, lest we should feel compelled to quote the whole. The Grand Secretary reported the condition of the Grand Lodge Library—160 volumes in all. The same active Mason, Brother Alex. G. Abell, as Chairman of "the Masonic Board of Relief of the City of San Francisco," formed upon the same principles of our "Relief Lodge," made a report showing the amounts expended for charity, to 112 applicants, the sum of \$2,766 25 during the year—only \$49 25 to cases of their own jurisdiction—to Masons hailing from Louisiana, \$385. This Board has been in existence but two years, and meets every week. The labors of our Brethren in this Board, and especially of its Chairman, Bro. Abell, can only be appreciated by those who have occupied a similar situation, and the thanks of Masons throughout the world are his due, and though an ardent, zealous and honored Mason in all respects, we can safely say that no position he has ever, or can ever, hold in the Masonic Order, can be so satisfactory to his own heart and conscience as that of having done his duty as Chairman of the Board of Relief.

The same active Brother also presented to the Grand Lodge the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. There are many quite interesting topics discussed in this document; one in relation to Lodges under Dispensation, again calls upon him for notice. The doctrine, as stated by him, we believe to be the true one; that a Lodge under Dispensation is, in fact, a regular and legal Lodge as much so as a Lodge under a Charter or Warrant, but subject to such restrictions only as were named in the Dispensation, one of which usually or always is, that the future existence of the Lodge depends upon the will of the Grand Lodge, and that this, in fact, pertains to any Lodge under Charter, for it may have its Charter annulled by the Grand Lodge (of course, for cause), and it is hardly supposable that the existence of a Lodge under Dispensation would not be continued and made permanent without good cause be shown. A Lodge

under Dispensation, is, then, a Lodge limited as to time and uncertain as to its future existence. Being a modern invention, it is subject to rules of recent enactment, no ancient landmarks existing upon the subject. That, in fact, their "powers must depend upon the terms of the Dispensation."

In his remarks upon a certain proceeding in the Grand Lodge of Illinois, where an appeal was allowed to be taken from the decision of the Grand Master and upon that decision being affirmed and protest offered, which was ruled out, Bro. Abell makes the following remarks:

"At the risk of encountering from some of our young, but apparently very *ancient* brethren, a further shower of "Ancient Landmarks," and "Young America," we declare that upon this point, no more than upon some others, have we any faith in those 'inherent rights' of Grand Masters which elevate them so high above the body creating them, as to render them entirely independent and utterly irresponsible for their acts. We consider a Grand Lodge in these days as simply the Legislature of the Craft, and as it is the supreme authority, beyond which there is no tribunal where an appeal can be maintained, it seems a very absurdity that one man, the temporary officer of its own elevation, should be permitted, unquestioned, to declare upon what subjects it shall or shall not deliberate, and with despotic power to pronounce and maintain his single opinion in opposition, as it may be, to the united voice of the body which created him. We believe it should be the proper province of the Grand Master, when the Masonic Senate is in session, to preside over and preserve order during its deliberations, but that *his* will, and not *his*, should be the law. Thus we think there would be sound reason in such a provision of the organic laws, as would do away with that present generally acknowledged doctrine of the supremacy of Grand Masters, which had its origin, probably, during the same period that gave birth to the equally sensible proposition that 'the King can do no wrong.' We shall not be alone in this heresy, for some of the most eminent Masons in the Union have lately and successfully advanced it, in those elevated and intelligent bodies, the General Grand Chapter and the Grand Encampment of the United States. As to the 'protest,' the Grand Master of Illinois was right in the refusal to receive it. It is one of our promises to abide by the decision of a majority of our brethren, and such a paper was in spirit a violation of that promise, as it sought to record an unwillingness to submit to the arbitrament, not of the Grand Master only, but of a large majority of the members of the Grand Lodge."

This is about the first time we have seen this doctrine so fully enunciated *in print*, and have, therefore, quoted the remarks in full. We have done this, too, not for the purpose of dissenting; perhaps not

for approbation. We, too, are disbelievers "in those inherent rights" of Grand Masters, or any other Grand dignitaries, such as are above alluded to. We know very well, for we took part in it—though an obscure one—that the principal ground, reason, why an appeal should lie from the decisions of the presiding officers of the General Grand Chapter and Grand Encampment, was, that these bodies were simply legislative bodies for the Craft, beyond which there is no tribunal where an appeal could be maintained; and hence, an appeal should be allowed: that from the decision of a High Priest, an appeal lay to the Grand Chapter; and from the Grand High Priest, to the General Grand Chapter. But in that discussion in those General Grand bodies, there was a marked difference of opinion between the supporters of the right of appeal. Bro. Mackey, one of its most able supporters, contended strongly, in all his arguments, against the thought of claiming the right of appeal from the decision of a Grand Master, because he had "inherent rights," etc. Bro. Pike, another able supporter, hesitated much whether to claim the right to be universal, or would limit it to the General Grand bodies—apparently hesitating on account of the "inherent rights" of Grand Masters; while Bro. Tucker went for the right of appeal any where and every where—scouting the idea of there being any such "inherent right"; at any rate, any such as could be enforced in this Republican country to the contrary. These were the three chief supporters, in that contest, of the right of appeal; and we may say, they are, without doubt, three of the soundest Masonic jurists in the world—men who are able to give a reason for their opinions, which will be entitled to respect. We voted for the right of appeal. If we recollect aright, the reason of our vote was, that the General Grand bodies being bodies possessing the highest authority—supreme, as it were—must permit the right of appeal from its presiding officer; otherwise, all there would be for that body to do, would be to elect such officer, and adjourn; for he could overrule any opinion which it might entertain. The same course of reasoning would confer the same right of appeal from the decision of a Grand Master. There would not exist the necessity of an appeal from the decision of the W. M. to the Lodge—as Bro. Tucker contended for—for there an appeal or complaint could be taken to the Grand Lodge. Nor from a Grand Chapter holding of the General Grand Chapter, for an appeal or complaint would lie to that body.



But from a decision of the Grand Master, there is no higher tribunal to go; and if an appeal does not lie to the Grand Lodge from his decision, we have what was shown in the great discussion in the General Grand Chapter and Grand Encampment, a Mason, made by the vote of his equals, superior to the combined wisdom of all the Masters and Wardens in the State. We have yet to find in the Ancient Landmarks any such grant of power; nor know we any reason why his will, and not that of the Grand Lodge, should be the law.

There are some few things in Masonry not, to our minds, properly understood. One of them is the origin of any of the powers of our Grand Masonic bodies, or their Grand officers. We hold, as we have heretofore expressed it in reports to other Grand bodies, and, as we think, history confirms, that all Masonic power exists primarily, and *inherently, too*, in the mass of the Fraternity—that portions of this power was delegated to the Lodges and Grand Lodges by express grant, and that to support a claim in any Masonic organization, this express grant must be shown. Grand Lodges have not existed for so long a time, nor is the history of their formation, as at present constituted, so imperfect, but that each and every grant can be easily found. Formerly, we know, Grand Lodges were simply mass meetings of the whole Fraternity. The Masonic Fraternity constituted a pure democracy, and the Grand Masters elected at those meetings were invested with executive power during their intermissions. Now, to express an opinion, we do not know of any such grant of power as confers upon the Grand Master the right to refuse an appeal from his decision to the Grand Lodge; nor shall we believe such power exists, till it is pointed out to us; and not by any one Grand Lodge, of recent formation, but by an Ancient Landmark—one universally admitted to be such.

Our proceedings for 1857 are very favorably noticed, the address of our Grand Master, the report of the Relief Lodge, as also that of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. In regard to the latter, he examined at some length our remarks upon the right of electing to the office of Master one who had not served as Warden; in the main, we believe, agreeing to the proposition, though admitting a deviation therefrom in the case of necessity. He does not “pause to inquire into the fact whether the ‘old charges’ of 1722 \* \* \* \*

are entitled to more reverence than the 'old regulations' of 1721." We would, however, in passing, call attention to *the fact*, that the "old regulations" of 1721 were then framed and adopted; whereas the "old charges" were "extracted from the [then] ancient records of Lodges beyond the sea, and of those in England, Scotland and Ireland," and would seem therefore to be entitled to a little more weight than the others; but, passing all these questions, our California Brother devotes a page of his printed report in discussing what he calls "an erroneous definition" of ours, where we parenthetically say of one who "has passed the part of a Fellow Craft," that "he has become a Master Mason," although it may "appear, from the plain language of those ancient records, that Fellow Crafts were the very Masons from among whom the Wardens *were* chosen;" yet, even upon that supposition, it does not follow that by that very election they were not entitled to receive the Master's degree, and we believe such was the fact when that degree was conferred at these Quarterly Grand Communications of the Craft; and, though *elected* to the office of Wardens, they could not *become* such till they had past the part of Fellow Craft, that is, become Master Masons. The Grand Master, we know, was chosen from the fraternity at large, but he must "have been a Fellow Craft before his election, and, as to us is clearly intimated, made a Master before his installation, and besides the Grand Wardens, upon whom devolved all the active duties in those days, must "have been the Master of a Lodge," and, of course, possessed of all the qualifications we have imputed to a Master. There are many other matters worthy of some notice in this report and the proceedings before us, but the extent to which this report would be otherwise extended precludes us from further comment.

A circular from Hawaiian Lodge, No. 21, Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of California, has been received, with a note of endorsement from the Grand Secretary, Bro. Abell, asking for such assistance as may be rendered them, and which, owing to their isolated position and the long distance to any other Lodge, must bear heavily upon their time and exhaust their funds. Their call is recommended to favorable consideration as a worthy object for those charitably disposed.

## CANADA.

We have had before us the proceedings of the Third Annual Grand Communication of this Grand Lodge, held at Toronto, on the 14th of July, 1858. There were present, as distinguished visitors, M. W. Bros. Tucker, of Vermont, and Morris, of Kentucky, at the opening. The Grand Master, Wilson, delivered an address, from which we gather the pleasing information of the favorable progress of the Craft in that jurisdiction, and the recognition of that Grand Lodge by several Grand Lodges of the United States, that of ours among the number. In his detailed idea of a model Master, he says that "the cement with which he has bound the Brethren together is not confined to the Lodge room, but is carried out into the world, and practical illustrations of friendship and brotherly love are daily exemplified." He alludes "to the efforts which have been made to secure a full and perfect union of the whole Canadian Craft," and which we have been much delighted to learn has been finally accomplished, by the union, on a satisfactory basis, of the two Grand Lodges of Canada, and the consequent recognition of the Grand Lodge by all American Grand Lodges may be speedily looked for. It has, we learn, been recognized even by the Grand Lodge of England, and thus right and truth have finally prevailed, as will always be the case in the end.

The proposed articles of union between the two Grand Lodges were taken into consideration, and, with a few amendments, were adopted. The proceedings are mostly taken up with the action and correspondence upon the proposed union; but, as this has finally been accomplished, the result calls for no further examination into the detail of the proceedings.

## CONNECTICUT.

We have, with much regret, to announce the failure to receive the proceedings of this Grand Lodge, held in May last. We have seen favorable notices of its proceedings in those of our sister Grand Lodges, held during last fall, and from those notices we the more regret our failure in receiving them. Masonry, from what we learn, seems as prosperous as ever among our Connecticut Brethren. We notice also, and with pleasure, that that veteran of Grand Secreta-

ries, Bro. E. G. Storer, is engaged upon a compilation of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut from its formation down to the present time. This is becoming a universal idea, and one that cannot be too highly commended.

### DELAWARE.

The proceedings of this Grand Lodge, for the year 1857, occupy but nine pages, to which, however, is appended a list of members of the Subordinate Lodges, and of the Grand Officers since the organization of the Grand Lodge. There is neither an address from the Grand Master, nor any report from a Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

Since writing the above, we have received the proceedings of this Grand Lodge for 1858, and find some continuance of prosperity, but the same dearth of matter for comment as in the proceedings of the previous year.

### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

In the proceedings of this Grand Lodge for 1857, we find a short address from the Grand Master, mainly devoted to local matters, and an extended notice of the proceedings of sister Grand Lodges from the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, made up, however, we should take it, principally by the use of the scissors, and being upon subjects previously reported on, call for no further comment. In an appendix is an address by Bro. Rolfe, at the tomb of Washington, on St. John the Baptist's Day, and another on the same occasion by Bro. French, with the motto "THE DEAD GOVERN," both of which are filled with sentiments of the purest patriotism and morality.

### FLORIDA.

The proceedings of this Grand Lodge is another one of those we always peruse with pleasure and profit. In those before us for 1858, the address of the Grand Master occupied but a single page, and referred to local matters. Resolutions were unanimously adopted, approving the "Universal Masonic Library," and ordering forty copies

for the use of the Grand and Subordinate Lodges. There is also published in the appendix an address delivered before the Grand Lodge, by Bro. Robert Morris.

The chief feature of these proceedings, however, is the interesting report on Foreign Correspondence, by Bro. Thomas Brown, occupying one hundred and thirty-three pages of closely printed matter. He questions the propriety of founding Masonic schools and colleges, and asks, "Why not let the PEOPLE of the STATE control them? The mission of Masonry is to the poor and helpless. She carries on her banner, Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth. Her works are not done to be talked of of men." "A little more common sense and less learning might suggest the propriety" "of the Masters and Wardens [or Lodges] sending a few children of poor and destitute Masons, or other poor children, if the means would justify it," "to schools in their respective neighborhoods." These remarks, made in reference to the St. John's College in Arkansas, are very appropriate, and equally applicable to Masonic (?) colleges or schools in other jurisdictions, and indeed could well be applied to other associations, such as Life Insurance Companies, *et id omne genus*, which often start up under Masonic patronage. The duties of Masons are in the Lodge and in the immediate social circle around, and never should be extended to any financial operations, except such as may be required to procure the means to administer to the wants of those around. When large investments are made for some future intended great charity so-called, those funds are hoarded up for the benefit of future generations, who, in all probability, would be better capable of administering to their own wants, and money is squandered in the attempt to invest, which should be applied to the relief of the wants of the present. These projects cramp all efforts for present relief, and render the burden of being taxed for some such purpose hard to bear; the benefit of which, if it ever comes, will be for those who come after us. The proper spirit of *Masonic* charity, we take it, is that which looks to the present, and ever becomes dead and lifeless in those who have inherited means sufficient for all calls upon them. It is only by personal exertion in the immediate cause that can imbue any one with right principles, either of charity, industry, or any other moral and reasonable quality.

Entering into a discussion between the Committee on Correspondence of the Grand Lodges of Connecticut, California and Iowa, upon the respective rights of Entered Apprentices, Fellow Crafts and Masters. He says :

“Entered Apprentices are *Masons and members of an Entered Apprentice Lodge*, and entitled to all the rights and privileges of that degree ; but *further they cannot go without the regular pass*. When regularly passed, they are Fellow Crafts, and entitled to all the rights and privileges of that degree ; but they can go no further until they are regularly raised, and then they are Master Masons indeed. Now here we see no deprivation of the rights of any. Each participates in the work and ceremonies, and enjoys the benefits appertaining to their respective degrees.”

As Bro. Brown remarked, “the difficulties of this question can be resolved into a nut shell.” But it may be asked, why state such truisms as the above ? Who ever disputed their correctness ? They are, indeed, truisms, but none the less important because they happen to be thus simple. Indeed, so plain are Masonic *truisms* that oftentimes they have been overlooked, and led to many long speculations, such as the respective rights of Apprentices, Fellow Crafts and Master Masons, and, indeed, some have so far overlooked these truisms in their disquisitions as to style an Entered Apprentice an *incipient Mason*. The practice has obtained, we know not where or when, of requiring *all the business* of a Lodge to be done in the Master's degree. We have not a particle of doubt but that this practice is an innovation. Formerly, at the meetings of the Grand Lodge even, propositions of amendment, etc., were submitted even to the youngest Apprentice. Your Chairman well recollects that on the evening of his initiation the Lodge proceeded to its business in his presence, only those, however, who were Master Masons, and had signed the by-laws, had the right of voting. Our way would be, as the more reasonable practice, always to open in the Apprentice Degree, and remain in that degree during the whole session, except for the time necessary for transacting whatever business there might be which would pertain *exclusively* to the higher degrees, such as balloting for these higher degrees, or conferring them, or lecturing upon them. We know of no reason for requiring everything, except lecturing and conferring the degrees, to be done in the Master's Degree. On the contrary, we perceive many reasons, *besides the ancient usages*, why the

contrary practice should prevail, and no harm whatever would ensue. Let us, for a moment, see how it would work to have all the ordinary business of the Lodge transacted with the Lodge opened in the degree of Entered Apprentice—only those Master Masons who had signed the by-laws, however, being entitled to vote. It would be at once the interest and pleasure of every Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft in the vicinity to attend, for they would do so with the certainty of being admitted, and not left in the ante-room, or sent away without admittance. As it is now, few of the lower degrees care to go to the Lodge when there is such an uncertainty of being admitted as now exists. The Lodge is opened in the degree of Apprentice. All Apprentices in the vicinity are present. They have just been initiated, and feel that interest for the Order which few now seldom feel, and which would lead them to learn the ceremony of opening and closing, which few, except the officers, ever come to know. They see how Masons conduct themselves in the transaction of business, and learn by precept and example the manner in which they are to conduct themselves when raised to the degree of Master Mason. They sit and learn in silence of their elders, and, when the business of the Lodge is over, unless higher degrees are to be conferred, they are favored with a lecture, either upon the ceremony or some one of the many important principles inculcated in the degree they have taken; whereas, now, the lecture is given only to Masters, who pay little attention to what is said, and console themselves with the reflection, oh, we are above that! No one can ever again feel that interest in the lectures pertaining to Apprentice Degree as he will while he is an Apprentice, and most forget that nearly all the moral teachings of Freemasonry are in that degree. All the elementary principles of the Order are there, and, unless they are inculcated when the mind is not above such things, the chances are that they never will be. We, therefore, go for returning to the old custom of letting the Apprentices and Fellow Crafts see how Masters can work, and of improving the hour which should be devoted to each meeting when not otherwise engaged in inculcating by precept and example all the sublime *principles* of our Order, a knowledge of which the Entered Apprentice even is clearly entitled to.

The proceedings of our Grand Lodge for 1857 are noticed at length,

and favorably. The report of your Chairman of "Louisiana Relief Lodge," was quoted in full, and the enterprise highly commended. The report on Foreign Correspondence is also favorably noticed, and especially that portion on the Canada question. The abstract of the proceedings (statistical table) of Grand Lodges, are "particularly" noticed. We would, however, claim, in imitation of Bro. Parvin, the credit of preparing that table, and say, that Grand Secretary has honors enough, without having the preparation of that thrust upon him.

#### THE RIGHT OF VISIT, ETC.

In the review of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Maine, Bro. Brown quotes the following resolution of that Grand Lodge:

"That the right (so called) to visit Masonically, is not an absolute right, but is a favor, which any lawful Mason, in good standing, is entitled to ask, and which the Master may concede or refuse, at his discretion; and that no Master of a Lodge under this jurisdiction, shall admit a visitor when objection to such admission is made by any member, or by a Lodge."

Bro. Brown says:

"We all know that a visiting Brother must ask admittance before he can enter, and that implies the power to refuse; and we also know that unanimity is essential to the harmony of a Lodge."

We agree with the resolution, except, perhaps, the last four words, and think the reason of Bro. Brown expresses the whole gist of the matter. But we also know that all do not think as he thinks; nor are his reasons satisfactory to all. All admit, we believe, that the peace and harmony of a Lodge should be preserved—that it is the duty of the Master to see to this; that the admission of a visitor might be offensive to some Brother, a member; and that, by such admission, his peace and quiet, and self-respect, even, might easily be disturbed. Many cases might be supposed of this sort, and occasionally, at least, occur. Yet, in spite of all this, some there are who insist upon the absolute right of visit; and the only method they have to suggest, by which peace and harmony is to be preserved, is, for the Brother objecting to "prefer charges against the visitor"—have him tried, and expelled. This is peace and harmony with a vengeance! And suppose there may be facts within the knowledge of



the objecting Brother, which no one can know but himself, how can the visitor be found guilty, with only the word of one against his own? And, with very good proof, it frequently happens that a Lodge is very jealous of charges preferred by members of a neighboring, or, perhaps, rival Lodge. How is the peace and harmony of the Craft, then, to be preserved? We know Masons, with whom we would not sit, nor permit to visit our Lodge, we being present; and yet, who could not be convicted in their Lodge, by any evidence we could bring. Cases can easily be supposed, and we doubt not exist, where crimes have been committed, a knowledge of which exists in only one other person than the guilty one. He puts his assertion against his accuser, and no Lodge would vote him guilty. For these reasons, we think the remedy proposed wholly inefficient. Nor would we require the objecting member even to state upon what his objections were founded; for it would do no good, and much evil might result. We, however, think no legislation necessary: the reason of the practice must be its only support, and these reasons each Master is to determine for himself. If he can preserve peace and harmony in his Lodge, on admitting a visitor while a member objects sitting with him, we certainly can have no objection, and can only say, he can do *more than most men*.

This right of visit, which is claimed by many as an absolute right, (like a great many other supposed Masonic rights) is but little understood by the mass of the Fraternity; and even, we might say, by many who take the position of leaders. The right, whatever it may be, which for the time is claimed, is regarded as absolute, without condition, and is simply to be demanded in order to be complied with. Now, we have said above that we do not regard this as an absolute right. Any Mason in good standing has a right to demand the privilege of visiting a Lodge not his own, but any member of such Lodge may object to sitting in the Lodge with the one applying to visit, and the M. W. is bound to refuse admittance, since he is most assuredly bound to preserve peace and harmony in his own Lodge. Nor do we take it to be at all necessary that the Brother objecting should state his reasons why he objects—as some contend he should—or take any other steps than merely to object, in order to exclude the visitor—such as to prefer charges against the visitor, or any other step what-

ever. Such is our deliberate opinion, and we have thus stated it—what we have in substance done before—that there should be no misunderstanding as to what that opinion actually was.

But, after all, this—it may be well said—is but the opinion of the Committee, or, perhaps, the Chairman; and, as such, entitled to but little weight. We have, however, formed no opinion without having, what we conceive to be, good reasons therefor; and we are willing to stand or fall by the reasons we can produce. We will, however, in this place, only suppose an instance, which may readily be conceived to occur: Suppose two Masons are cognizant of a fact, the truth of which is known to them and God alone. One of them, in a court of justice, swears to the contrary of that fact—the other, and himself, knowing, of course, that perjury had been committed—could this other Mason sit in a Lodge with that Brother, or permit him, a member of another Lodge, to visit his own Lodge? We most assuredly would not sit with one we knew to be guilty of perjury, or any other great crime. Yet, what could we do, more than simply to object? We could not prefer charges, for we should have no proof, save our own word. We could not state our reasons, for then we should be subject to charges ourselves, and to expulsion, for grossly slandering a Brother. This is not a mere supposable case—it is a probable one; and if a Brother is to be compelled to state his reasons for his objection, in order to exclude, he must remain silent, or subject himself to the triumph of a person he knows to be guilty.

But, it may be said, this would exclude many innocent persons, through the pique or ill-will of a member of the Lodge. So be it. No gentleman would desire to obtrude himself into a family circle, or any company, where one of the constituents of that circle is of the character supposed, or where his presence was not desired by even one of those who possessed an *undoubted* right to be there. And here comes up the question of the Masonic right of visit, and of Masonic rights in general. Whence is this right derived? We have denied its existence and attempted to prove a negative. Where is the proof to be found of its existence—that it ever existed? In what enactment is it found? Is that enactment binding on us? Is it a general law? Answering these questions ourselves, we must candidly say, that, *in all our reading, we never yet saw any such law*,—and we further state our conviction that no such law exists, or ever existed.

What is the foundation, we would ask, of any one or all of our Masonic rights? or of our Masonic duties? for they are exactly correlative. What is it, indeed, but those obligations and *charges*, to which, as Masons, we have given our consent? We ask again, in what clause of these is this duty to admit visitors found? And in what are many others of the so-called rights and duties found, which are so often held by many of the Fraternity? We have no hesitation in saying—though we do it with humiliation, and almost shame—that the full and true meaning of the ties which bind us together as Masons, are in many—far too many—instances totally unknown, or have been perverted to a meaning totally foreign to their plain import, and, oftentimes, abhorrent to a proper feeling of right and justice. These are strong words, but a sense of our obligation to speak the truth, and the hope, that what we now say may lead to the study of the principles of our Order, till a full and correct knowledge of them is diffused throughout our ranks, compels us to use them.

There are too many ignorant men admitted into our Order—too many men devoid of correct moral principles, not imbued with a due sense of right and wrong. Our doors are too freely thrown open—they should not be closed against the ignorant *and* vicious, but also against the ignorant without being vicious, and against the learned who do not possess a good moral character; but open to those who do good, and do it from principle, who act and walk justly and conscientiously. The Lodge is not properly a school of reform, where men may be taken in and made good members of society. It properly is a community, an association, of good and intelligent men, associated together, not for the purpose of reforming themselves, but that they may reform the world by their example, and restrain each other from temptation and sin, and aid each other in time of need. The first preparation for initiation is becoming to be wholly forgotten. How many now are “first prepared in their heart”? Indeed, there was truth in what was once remarked by our Past Grand Master, when in his Lodge he reported against an applicant for initiation, that though he “could find nothing really bad about the man, yet there was not enough in him of which to make a Mason.” We should act upon this when about to admit a profane man to the mysteries of Freemasonry. Then the ignorance of what our duties and rights are, would not be so wofully manifest, as they were thirty years ago, the result of which

was the almost utter extinction of our Order. Then, ignorant men, acting upon *supposed* rights and duties, which had no foundation in fact, raised such a tempest that the lapse of more than a quarter of a century has not repaired the injury.

It is this same prevalence of ignorance of principles, of duties, of rights and obligations, that now threaten us, and which has caused so many, eminent in the Order, to raise the warning voice. The behest of one who passed through the fiery trial of the past, made to this writer soon after his initiation, is still remembered. He said: "I may never take part with you again, and my words are, *keep your hands clean.*" But permit us to instance an occurrence in our midst: a Mason high enough in position to be tried in this Grand Lodge commits a penitentiary offense. His Lodge being supposed to be a safer tribunal (for him) than the Grand Lodge, and a brother member acting, as he said, under his Masonic obligation, assisted in violating one of our standing regulations, by which the offender was in effect screened from trial here. What an idea of Masonic obligation is this! Because a man is a Mason, with yourself, you are not only to screen him from the punishment due his crimes, not only screen or attempt to screen him from Masonic punishment, but associate with him in society as a gentleman, and in the Lodge as a brother! We need only say to the well informed Mason, that our obligations require of us no such duty, that on the contrary, they prohibit and denounce any such conduct. We are, by the express terms of our obligations as Masons, by those charges given us in regard to our duties, and which we have religiously promised to regard, forbidden to associate with, relieve, assist, aid, *any except the worthy.* "To worthy men, and worthy men alone," are our duties as Masons owed. With them alone are our secrets supposed to be confided. And when the contrary is known, when an unworthy one is discovered, his claims are to be wholly disregarded, and he is to be cut off as a dead branch; to be rooted up as a noxious weed; to be shunned by all good Masons as a pestiferous vapor; a noxious reptile. Our duties as citizens are enjoined upon us, to see the laws of our country duly obeyed; to see the guilty convicted and punished; and we are forbidden to screen, or aid, or assist them. How, then, can we, as Masons, sit in our own Lodge and permit a visitor to exercise the "privilege" of visiting, (we will not call it a "right") when we know him to be unworthy,

though unfortunate circumstances compel us to remain silent as to his offense, and we can only punish him by refusing his admission?

It is unnecessary to add, that our Masonic charity is due to those alone who are worthy, as well as Masonic aid of all kinds; to those who have performed their duties as Masons. No Mason—no man has the right to claim, what he, in other circumstances, has been unwilling to do himself. Every Mason who has wilfully neglected his duty, and continually, is an unworthy Mason, and as such has no right to demand what he has refused or neglected to perform. Indeed, our whole duty as Masons to others as such, in whatever respect it may be considered, depends wholly and entirely upon the worthiness or unworthiness of the object. The funds or energies of the Lodge should never be contributed to relieve a criminal, or one who has forgotten for many years to contribute to its funds or advance its interests. What we might do as individuals to prevent starvation or to save life is our own affair, and is due alike to the needy of the whole world, but to no one more especially than another, because he happens once to have been a Mason. The importance of this subject of Masonic rights and duties, in its various branches, has taken more space than we intended; yet, in justice to our position and to the subject, we could scarcely say less. Our hopes are, that our obligations and rights will be better understood, and that the preparation of the heart be more carefully attended to.

## GEORGIA.

The address of the Grand Master, Rockwell, is an able document, such as might be expected from his pen. That clause of the ancient charges, that "no Brother can be a Warden until he has passed the part of a Fellow Craft, nor a Master until he has acted as a Warden," etc., received a somewhat novel interpretation. M. W. Bro. Rockwell thinks the interpretation of "*passed the part of a Fellow Craft*" should be thus, "no Entered Apprentice can be a Warden, even in a Lodge of Entered Apprentices, such Lodges being the only ones then (from the 14th to the 18th century,) known; Fellow Crafts being admitted only in the Grand Lodge," \* \* \* \* "nor a Master until he has acted as a Warden." Where? "In the Grand Lodge where he was

made a Master, and his bearing the jewel of the Junior Warden at the time of his elevation to the degree of Master, is incontestible evidence that he is *acting* as Warden, and, without this necessary prerequisite, he cannot be made a Master." Bro. Rockwell will notice that his chief point of evidence, namely, a Brother wearing the jewel of the Junior Warden on the occasion of his being made a Master, is based wholly on a practice in conferring the Master's Degree, now generally repudiated, as an innovation, and in consequence has no force, and without this his "conjectural" interpretation falls to the ground. The Grand Master could be elected from the body of Fellow Crafts as we have elsewhere observed, and was the only Grand officer required to be installed; but as the Deputy Grand Master and Grand Wardens must be or have been *Masters of Lodges*, Bro. Rockwell quotes a singular note from one of Dermott's editions of the general regulations, where speaking of this installation ceremony of the Grand Master, he says: "This is a most noble and grand ceremony, but cannot be described in writing, nor even known to any but Master Masons," and thinks this ceremony must have been the Master's Degree, which it was necessary the Grand Master should have before he could preside. We had intimated the same opinion on this point in reviewing the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of California before having examined those of Georgia, and believe it to be correct, and, if his idea of the work of the Master's Degree were correct, we should be inclined to assent to his interpretation of the phrase "acted as a Warden." As it is, however, we still adhere to our former opinion that a Master should have been a Warden previous to his installation, and that to have been a Warden he must, as Bro. Rockwell states, be a Master Mason, and that this last has always been a prerequisite; that even in an Entered Apprentice Lodge the Wardens, as well as the Master, were always required to possess the degree of Master Masons.

District Deputy Grand Master Lawrence had decided that, "the imposing of fines by the Lodge is not contrary to Masonic law or usage," and he proceeds to argue the question at some length. The remarks of Bro. Mackey, in his *Lexicon*, under the head of "Fines," are to us satisfactory upon this subject, and we would only add that if such imposition is not contrary to Masonic law, which we by no means admit, it is, so far as our knowledge goes, contrary to Masonic

usage, and in those few instances where it has been adopted it has failed entirely of its purpose, and is, in fact, a new regulation, and better observed in the breach than in the observance.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is in accordance with the words of the report, which, speaking of their duty, says : " We have no right to make edicts for the Grand Lodge, but only to digest and report the proceedings of other Grand Lodges." As such, it is well done ; but, as a consequence, requires no further comment from us.

## ILLINOIS.

The proceedings of this Grand Lodge before your committee are those of the communication held in October last, previous to which is the constitution of the Grand Lodge contained on two pages of the proceedings—a mark of much sound discretion, and exhibits a knowledge of what should constitute the "*Fundamental Law*" of a Grand Lodge. It also contains the by-laws of the Grand Lodge in six pages, and regulations, by-laws, etc., for Subordinate Lodges, and an act of incorporation of the Grand Lodge. The address of the Grand Master is truly a business-like document, but contains little calling for notice, except as a model for such documents.

The report on foreign correspondence is from the pen of the Grand Secretary, Bro. H. G. Reynolds, and is equal to the documents we have heretofore had the pleasure of perusing, written by this highly esteemed and intelligent Brother. The only notice of our Grand Lodge we find to be the regret that they had not come to hand, though we know our Grand Secretary forwarded duplicate copies of our proceedings. He takes extracts from the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of New York, relative to our difficulties, commenting with favor upon the action of our Grand Lodge. It seems that the pamphlet of Bro. Pike (his address,) reached him, from which he made extracts, giving it a notice before entering upon the review of the proceedings of the several Grand Lodges. This review consists, for the most part, in extracts from the various reports and addresses, all truly worthy of preservation. It notices, however, the contest of Bro. Tucker, of Vermont, with the Grand Lodge of New York, in noticing

the proceedings of the latter Grand Lodge, and in doing so excuses Bro. Tucker for the feeling he displays, and renders a just tribute to him for his well known zeal in the parts, in his fight with Anti-Masons of thirty years ago, and his more recent defense of the Grand Lodge of New York in her difficulties, for the most part happily ended.

The Grand Lodge is opposed to a National Grand Lodge, but in favor of, say a triennial Congress of Representatives of the American Grand Lodges ; but as we have remarked upon this elsewhere, we now but notice it in passing.

### INDIANA.

The address of M. W. Grand Master Boylen is an excellent document. He states that the records and proceedings of the Grand Lodge since its organization in 1818 have been by much labor and search at last recovered, and that it is proposed to publish them. This matter, re-publishing the proceedings of Grand Lodges, is, indeed, a praiseworthy act, and which we hope in time to see done by our own Grand Lodge. The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is a condensed abstract of the proceedings of thirty Grand Lodges, giving extracts from the addresses of Grand Masters, and the reports of committees on questions of Masonic jurisprudence not yet put to rest, but expressing no opinion of their own. Our proceedings for 1857 are favorably noticed, and especially the report of Louisiana Relief Lodge.

The proceedings of the Grand Lodge were confined to local business, nor have we seen anything in these proceedings which, to our view, are contrary to any of the fundamental principles of the Order. There are, to be sure, some things which we might have done differently, but these are matters of local concern, and with which parties outside of the jurisdiction have nothing to do.

### IOWA.

We always take up the proceedings of this Grand Lodge, anticipating much pleasure from their perusal ; nor were we disappointed in those of June last. We have in them the opening address of M. W. Bro. Sanford, Grand Master, and which, in addition to the busi-



ness portion, contains, as one might expect, many beautiful as well as useful thoughts and suggestions, and which, had we space, we would copy. Most of the controversial portions of these proceedings had been attended to in other portions of this report before the receipt of these proceedings. Next in order and importance comes the report on correspondence by Bro. Langridge, and to which the above remarks equally apply. Our proceedings were not received, though duplicates were mailed—only the appendix coming to hand.

In noticing the report of Bro. Storer to the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, he takes occasion to dissent from his views upon the right of instruction by Lodges of their Representatives in the Grand Lodge. They seem to differ as to the inherent right of the Masters and Wardens in the Grand Lodge—one holding in consequence of "inherent right" that no Lodge has a right to instruct; the other, denying this inherent right, contends for the inherent right to instruct. Now, though we have not examined this question so fully as we perhaps ought to have done, yet we can but express in short our present opinions. We do not have so much faith in the inherent rights, whatever they may be, as many, nor do we believe at all in the propriety of instruction, and hardly in the right. We are inclined to the opinion that rights, whether called inherent or otherwise, are, for the most part, derived from grants more or less remotely made, and that by the very nature of Grand Lodges, being representative, the right of instruction by a Lodge of its Representatives, if it exists, should not be exercised. How can a Lodge be supposed to possess the wisdom of an assembled Grand Lodge, and competent to resolve that its Representatives shall vote what may be a historical or philosophical lie? A Lodge may, indeed, express its opinion and make known its wish to its Representatives, but they should be left to act as their own judgment shall dictate. A Lodge might, indeed, have the right to instruct if they can so find it, in the words of the law by which they are governed and not otherwise. If they ever had the right, it is surrendered, unless it is expressly reserved in the constitution; but even if the right should be ever expressly reserved, it must be exercised in a proper manner, and *must be the certain expression of a majority of the Lodge*. We have elsewhere stated that we believe all rights and powers exist primarily in the people (Masons); that in the organization of the Society of Freemasons, they embodied certain

of those rights in the principles of the society, and these can never be re-taken. Certain other rights and powers were surrendered when Lodges and Grand Lodges were formed, and the representative character of the latter, according to our idea of a representative government, at least, such as ours, precludes the idea of instruction. Any competent Representative would, of course, so far as his sense of right would permit, follow the wishes of the Brethren of his Lodge, but no farther. Let a Lodge recommend as much as it pleases, but permit the Master and Wardens to do their duty without trammels ; and even a Lodge would do better to legislate less, and practice charity more than is now becoming too prevalent among the Young America class of Masons.

Next follows the election, installation and address of the new Grand Master, our well known and esteemed Bro. J. R. Hartsock—the first Mason made in Iowa—and the proceedings close with an able address from M. W. Bro. Robert Morris.

### KANSAS.

The proceedings of this Grand Lodge, for 1857, comprised in a pamphlet of eighteen pages, has been received. The Grand Master goes in for a National Grand Lodge, and even farther, for a Grand "Camp Meeting" of all the Masons in the world (who can attend), to be held at the ancient city of York, in England, on the 24th of June, 1870, "where 950 years before" was "re-organized in Grand Communication that Brotherhood, who are known as Ancient York Masons." This is, indeed, a great project, and Kansas a great country and, in this age of Atlantic telegraphs, may the time proposed (twelve years) be accomplished. We do not say it cannot be. The Report on Correspondence occupies three-fourths of a page, but even in that finds space to suggest the purchase of Mount Vernon, the foundation there of "A great National Masonic College." The Grand Lodge, however, took no action on this momentous subject, and perhaps never will. We prefer to have our own colleges, to have these State institutions, and to assist all our fellow-citizens in making them worthy of the patronage of our community. These big, Utopian projects have nothing to claim of Masons. Their work is a silent, quiet, and, consequently, an effective one.

Since writing the above, the proceedings of last October have come to hand, and exhibit a fair show of increasing prosperity. There seems to be no necessity for fears as to our Brethren in Kansas. The Grand Master holds to the opinion that "once a Mason always a Mason," and is against any legislation upon non-affiliated Masons. As we have elsewhere expressed it, we cannot agree with him in these views. One expelled is indeed a Mason still, always one, but yet an expelled Mason, and so with non-affiliated Masons.

### KENTUCKY.

The published proceedings of this Grand Lodge of October last occupy one hundred and twenty pages, and are highly interesting, comprising, among other entertaining matter, the address of Grand Master Swigert on opening, consisting of ten pages, and the report on foreign correspondence, by Grand Secretary McCorkle, of fifty-seven pages. Among the matters treated of in the opening address, we find a sketch of his Grand Lodge as it was in 1820, a dissent from the proposed division of the Grand Lodge, and an expressed wish of retiring to quiet life after an active service of twenty-eight years.

The report on foreign correspondence reviews the proceedings of thirty-four Grand Lodges, including that of Canada, and all in North America, except those of Iowa and Oregon; and, in doing this, not only gives extracts of value and interest, but furnishes comments wherein the same seemed called for. An argument in reply to Bro. King's report to the Grand Lodge of New York on the Canada question, runs through several pages, and, in our estimation, completely refutes the positions there taken; but, as we have noticed this subject in our previous reports, and as the question is now finally and happily settled, we make no further comments. In this report we also find a full description of the Union in Canada, from the pen, we take it, of Bro. Morris, one of the committee, and who was present as a visitor. He describes it as a scene, far surpassing in interest and pleasure, anything ever witnessed by him.

## MAINE.

This is another of those proceedings we ever take up with pleasure and profit. An address from such a Mason as M. W. Bro. Robert P. Dunlap, and a report from the pen of Bro. Cyril Pearl, is a combination of good things rarely to be witnessed. The Grand Master presses upon the notice of the Grand Lodge, "the importance of a knowledge of the standard Masonic literature." He regards it as "a binding duty on Grand Lodges and on all Subordinate Masonic Organizations, to provide for themselves libraries." In the proceedings we notice that the question of "the right of visit" was up again, and the former resolution somewhat modified, and it now conforms to our own views, elsewhere expressed. The committee to whom the subject was referred gave good reasons why the right is not an inalienable (absolute) one, and had we not given similar reasons of our own would have quoted the report in full.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence, by Bro. Cyril Pearl, occupies sixty-four pages, and as his reports usually do, contains many eloquent and important extracts from the various proceedings before him, with comments of his own equally as eloquent and important. It notices the Canada difficulties, and, quoting as precedents, the formation of all the Grand Lodges of the United States, warmly advocates the recognition of that Grand Lodge. Our proceedings of last year had not in full been received, and only the appendix published in advance of the regular proceedings. A very favorable notice of "the Relief Lodge" was given. The Report on Foreign Correspondence and the address of Bro. Pike is noticed at some length; the latter of which documents Bro. Pearl terms "a remarkable one," and after giving the substance of the historial and argumentative portions of the address, with comments, he closes his notice of our proceeding by quoting in full and with decided approbation the "closing appeal." In his comments he says that, "the positions and arguments of this new body (the Supreme Council) and its Chief, are most ably reviewed, and *annihilated*; and the remedy proposed for curing this schismatic conflict of rites and invasion of jurisdiction, deserves profound consideration, as does, in fact, the whole subject matter of the lecture, exhibiting, as it does, great research, and a familiar acquaintance with the Scottish Rite, and a history of the Order in its several countries, and Rites."

## RITES AND UNIFORMITY OF WORK.

We are aware of the difficulties of our position in this jurisdiction, and satisfied with the start we have made in sending forth such a document as Bro. Pike's address, which must have a tendency to lead to a careful consideration, by our sister Grand Lodges, of our true position, and prevent that hasty expression of opinion on the part of any, which, however erroneous it may be, is not so easy to be recalled when once expressed, as many may imagine. We now consider ourselves safe from any hasty attack, nor do we fear any ill-timed interference from any Mason, with the course we may pursue hereafter in our difficulties. Advice and argument, we shall be ever ready to listen to, and if convinced of our error, shall be ready to amend; what we have now to say, is more for the purpose of fixing a basis for future action, and as an expression of the opinions of your Committee, than as an expression of the views and determinations of the Grand Lodge, though we feel certain of the support and approval of most of its members.

Many, here and elsewhere, insist upon an exact uniformity of work, and so do we, but our understanding of what that "exact uniformity" means, is quite different from that of many others. That Masonry should be universal, and is so intended to be, no one disputes, and that this state of things should subsist, it naturally and necessarily follows, that all should possess the same means of recognition, and be bound by the same ties; that is to say, our duties and obligations, and rights as Masons, should be commensurate with yours, in fact, the same, and that we should have identically the same means of making ourselves known as Masons, as the Masons of any other country. Now, we believe, that all rites and divisions of Masonry had a common origin, are founded upon the same identical, fundamental principles, and are, in effect, still the same. But unfortunately, perhaps, by long separation from each other, of the various branches of the Order, a thousand and one causes have induced an apparent or real change in many of its features, dress, habits, and customs. One nation thinks in a different manner from another, and the same may be said of the different individuals of the same nation. To our minds, in different circumstances, the same transactions have a different appearance, by reason of the difference of position or medium of view. The York Rite prospered

under a different state of government and of society, from that of the modern, or the Scottish. The members of the York Rite insist that theirs is the true Masonry, while those of the French and Scottish are as equally positive. From our recent experience, we know that as a general thing, the principles and forms, and ceremonies even, of either, are not generally understood by the other. As Bro. Pike said in his lecture, and as he exemplified to some extent in the Grand Lodge, we know that what we call the essentials of the Ritual, are the same in both. We know, from a careful study, that the fundamental *principles* of both Rites (the York and Scottish) are identically the same. The obligations are the same, and there is in the means of recognition of the two Rites, as great a similarity as there is between those methods as taught in York Lodges in various parts of this country. But it may be asked, what do you call the Ritual? It was in 1853 resolved by this Grand Lodge, that the Masonic Ritual was not an essential nor a landmark of the Order, and for the passage of which we were taken to task by several of our sister Grand Lodges. We opposed the resolution at the time, nor do we believe it to be true, in the general acceptance of the word now. (Bro. Mackey says, substitute the word lecture for ritual, and it would be true.) But, as the mover probably understood it, and as it would be understood by many, we believe it to be true. If, by the Ritual of Masonry, is meant a certain set of questions and answers, given in a particular form and phraseology, and answered in like manner, termed lectures and "divided into sections," such as we have heard Mississippi river pilots use, where one says, as the boats pass each other, "you are a chicken thief, then, I presume;" and is responded to, "I am so taken and accepted among all true chicken thieves," etc. We say that the Ritual in that sense is not an essential, nor is it one of the landmarks of Freemasonry. This chairman well recollects his inability to pass himself into the Lodge of which he is now a member, simply because he had not a few test questions, in the form which the examining committee deemed "*essential*." But if we are to understand by the term Ritual, the forms and ceremonies of opening and closing, and especially of Initiation, then we do insist upon such a Ritual as being an essential, and one of the landmarks, in fact, about the only one of them, or as containing all the others.

We know that a different state of culture, and different habits, and

other differences, lead to a difference of expression for the same thing, which difference, if not corrected, becomes in time a permanency. Now, this we take it to be the case with the difference in the Rituals, as we understand the word, or of Rites, which is the same thing, which is found at present to exist, and which a prejudice, too prevalent, has in a great measure hitherto prevented from becoming reconciled. How many of the mass of the Fraternity, even in our own jurisdiction, know what the word Rite means, or know in what consists the real difference between the several Rites. More than one well read Mason would hardly credit us, if we were to tell them that the Scottish Rite, did not mean simply a peculiar manner of working the degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason. There is a certain series of degrees which, including the three symbolic degrees, amount to thirty-three, and the recipients of which degrees have, for the most part, been confined to those who worked the symbolic degrees under the authority of the Chiefs of the Scottish Rite, and we know, for we have taken and studied them, that these higher degrees are but the exemplification, by beautiful and expressive ceremonies, of certain principles, elementarily taught in the three symbolical degrees, of whatever Rite you choose. Identically the same may be said of the French or Modern Rite.

But, as a Grand Lodge, we are to know but of the three degrees. At least, we can legislate for no other than the three. Uniformity in the means of recognition, and of the ties that bind us together as Masons, we should attempt to bring about. We can here discourse upon "*the duties we owe to our God, our country, our neighbors, and ourselves*"; and these duties comprehend every duty or obligation we assume as Masons. Our first object, then, should be to see that these duties are understood by all, and by all alike; for it would be of little import to become known to one called a Mason, who was under different obligations from ourselves. We can safely say to the Grand Lodge, and to Masons throughout the world, that *these principles* of duty, of right and wrong, are essentially, if not identically, the same in the symbolic degrees of the three Rites. We know this proposition will be dissented from by eminent Masons in each Rite—the York, the French or Modern, and the Scottish. But we shall not attempt to argue the proposition, and shall content ourselves with merely stating it; and when an essential difference is shown really to

exist, we will acknowledge it, and at the same time proclaim the then indisputable fact, that *Masonry is not universal*—that there is more than one Masonry.

This point being settled, we now come to the other essential, namely, *the universality of the means of recognition*. We know that there are many little differences between the several Rites, and also in the working of the same Rite in different places; yes, even in different Lodges in the same place; and that these differences may, in a certain sense, be considered of essential importance. But how is the difficulty to be remedied? Certainly, not by denying those to be Masons, and refusing to recognize them as such, who have been taught differently from the way in which we were instructed; nor by committing to memory a certain form, of set questions and answers, and requiring every other person to conform thereto, or be regarded as an imposter; but, by study and inquiry, learn how *Masons* of every jurisdiction in the world work, and treat all hailing as visitors accordingly. A uniformity of work is desirable, but that can only be accomplished by all Masons communicating freely with each other, not by one party ostracising the other, and keeping up the walls which prejudice has erected between the different Rites. We know the method of working in the Lodges of all Rites in New Orleans, from frequent observation, and we are safe in saying, that there is as much diversity between the working of Masons in Alabama and Maine, or in different Lodges in Massachusetts and Vermont, as there is between Lodges of different Rites in this city. One coming to New Orleans for the first time, from Boston, even—unless previously instructed in the difference of work among us—could not gain admission to some of our York Lodges, if certain “bright Masons” we wot of, composed the examining committee. They would find their passwords wrong, their signs wrong; even the method of their reception when initiated, would be quite different from what the committee would require of them. The same remarks would apply with as full force and propriety in the case of Masons hailing from England, Scotland and Ireland, as of those hailing from France or Germany.

The whole difficulty in this matter of uniformity of work, is, we believe, in the want of a proper understanding of what the work should be; and this want of understanding exists to no greater extent



among members of the Scottish Rite, than of the York Rite. We allow the advantage to neither.

The fundamental principles of all Rites are the same. The ceremonies of conferring these degrees are but a method of impressing these principles upon the candidate. These ceremonies instituted in the past, so far back that not only the memory of man, but record evidence itself throws but little light upon it, have been in all their main features handed down to our time. Many little variations from numerous causes have taken place and given rise to different Rites, all however retaining the same great principles, and the chief methods of imparting and inculcating them in their ceremonies. Why then should we, who are of the York, or the Scottish Rite, compel our Brother to conform in his work to our own when we disagree amongst ourselves as much as we differ from them? Let us instruct ourselves and all our Brothers in these great principles, then study all Rites, place side by side all those ceremonies of each which inculcate those principles, and choose for ourselves that which is the best calculated to impress the idea we are after, upon the initiate. The means of recognition would then be the same throughout the world, for it would be the inculcating of such a great principle of the Order by such a ceremony, and such a ceremony was used at my initiation, would the stranger say, and for such a purpose. In this way only we conceive can uniformity of work ever be brought about, or if it could ever be brought about in any other way it would not remain fixed or complete for a day.

So much we have said on the subject of the different Rites and the desired uniformity of the work, not so much as being called for by any remarks of Bro. Pearl, as that his notice of our proceedings gave us the opportunity. The remarks we have made show the absolute necessity of intelligence, and extensive reading among Masons, and if they have no other effect than to induce that result we shall be content, being certain that the better informed we become, the more useful we shall be to the world, and the nearer universal will Masonry become, both in the ties which bind us, if there be a difference, and in the means of recognition.

But the importance of these subjects of the "uniformity of work," or some certain method of initiation, and the toleration of different Rites, or as some understand it, of different ceremonies, require of us

a clearer and more definite statement. This, then, candidly and honestly, is our conclusion upon the first point, viz.: Uniformity of work, an exact uniformity of words, phrases, etc., etc., can never be brought about, except by one method which needs but to be stated to show the utter impossibility of resorting to it, and that is by first agreeing to the same in a convention possessing the necessary power to adopt, and enforce, *and then committing the same to writing*. In the first place it is hardly possible that a convention can ever be held in the United States or any where else in which a perfect agreement could be arrived at. It is much more improbable that any such convention would ever be invested with power to enact and to enforce a ritual, and no one would think of putting the same in writing. How then can an *exact* uniformity be attained? As we said above, the thing is impossible. Had we frequent meetings of the eminent Masters of the Order, say in a General Grand Lodge of the United States, this good might, yea would result—the delegates would meet and confer together, compare notes, discuss differences, and attempt to trace each difference back to first principles; the light there mutually given and received, would be carried back to their Grand Lodges, and at our Annual Grand Communications all this light would be communicated, and at length disseminated throughout the whole mass of the Fraternity. This, with the aid of Masonic reading, which we are glad to see becoming more prevalent, would, in time, lead all at least who govern the craft, to come to the conclusion that certain principles are inculcated only in a certain general way by our Order, and the general features of the methods of communicating these principles would be by them understood.

We find it difficult to express our views upon this subject *in writing*. Suffice it to say, our obligations as administered in the various degrees, would become known to all, and the various charges, given to the candidate at or during his initiation, would be carefully heeded by all, and as well would the requirements and qualifications of the candidates be found to be essentially the same. The best method of communicating all this, and of making the most forcible impressions upon the mind, would, in the end, be adopted, and uniformity of principles and of procedure during initiation, etc., would then be attained, though uniformity of phraseology might not be, and even this, though of minor consequence, in our estimation,

would soon occur ; for there is, in our estimation, but one form of phraseology which can best express any one idea, and this form would be of necessity adopted, and be the same with all well informed Masons.

As before said, from the nature of the subject we find it extremely difficult to put *in writing* what we think upon this momentous question. It is only by presenting the subject in different forms that we can hope for tolerable success ; and hence we will try again. We suppose it will not be disputed that a general uniformity requires that there should be uniformity among all Masons in the preparation, in the reception, in the first step in the Lodge room, and the profession of faith and trust, in the method in which the candidate is conducted, in the substance of the different points of the several Masonic obligations and the form of receiving those obligations, in the different symbols presented in each degree, and in their explanation, in the representations of the Legend of the Third Degree, and in the various steps, signs, grips, pass-words, etc. All these things, as well as the general features of opening and closing of a Lodge, and the position and duties of the several officers should never so vary, but that the main features could be easily distinguished by any one, even passably acquainted with the form of his initiation. As in the very first step, no one should be ignorant that a necessary preparation of the heart should precede all other steps, nor be so ignorant of the principles of our Order as to be unable to give the true reason for the necessity of such preparation. No one should be ignorant upon whose aid he should call in any great and important undertaking, or in whom, above all others, he puts his trust in the hour of danger, doubt or peril. No one, perhaps, should be considered a Mason who could not tell how he was prepared in each step of his preparation or course, or how conducted, or why thus prepared or conducted, or what symbols were presented to him at the several steps of progress he may have made, and the great moral truths those symbols were designed to impress more clearly upon his mind. At least, every well informed Mason should know all this, and all Masons should be well informed ; but, above all, no one should be allowed to proceed till he could give, in an intelligent manner, every point of duty to which he had obligated himself. This peculiar branch of our subject we have treated elsewhere, and only mention here in passing.

Thus much we would require for sake of uniformity, and this we think would be sufficient for uniformity in the means of recognition, and in the duties and obligations which should, as Masons, be the same to all. There may be many little variations among different jurisdictions and among different Lodges of the same jurisdiction, and even between the working of different members of the same Lodge ; yet all should be satisfied, at least, for years to come, with the attainment of a uniformity in the general features to the extent above set forth. This uniformity, we believe, may be easily attained, if we commence in the right way. By reading we may certainly learn what were the methods of initiation into various organizations in ancient times similar to our own, and from which ours undoubtedly, in a great measure, had their origin. In the same way, that is, by reading of Masonic publications, we may arrive at a correct knowledge of all the principles sought to be inculcated by our symbols and ceremonies. By a careful study of these, and comparison with what every one learns on initiation, intelligent Masons, wherever situated, will, without any concert of action or interchange of opinion, arrive at the same general result. The discrepancies, as we have before intimated, may be entirely removed by frequent conferences of Masons of different jurisdictions with each other. This can only be done by making our Annual Communications less legislative assemblies, and more of the nature of social conferences, in which we can meet and freely converse, and compare notes on all the various points previously mentioned, and by at least triennial meetings of men from each State of the Union in National Conventions, from which the result of their mutual interchange of opinion could be disseminated throughout the United States, and by conventions of Masons of the whole world with similar objects and results, such as the convention at Paris in 1856.

But in all these efforts to bring about what we ask for in uniformity, there is one almost insuperable obstacle to success, at least the greatest of all others, and that is the mistaken idea, as it seems to us, as to what uniformity should consist in. Many, perhaps a majority of Masons, who have an idea upon the subject, think the uniformity sought for consists in a uniformity of words, as if words were of more importance than the ideas which they are designed to convey. After the ceremony of conferring a degree is over, we never pretend

to give "the lecture" in the same words on each occasion, or to impress upon the candidate the same series of "questions and answers, divided into sections," two or three, as the case may be. With this meaning attached to the term "lecture" we are heartily sick, and feel a sort of loathing whenever it is used. This is what we would endeavor to do ; at least, so far as we were able ; we would lay before the candidate, in their regular order, in the language *best suited to his capacity and education*, each step he had that night taken, with each symbol which had been presented to him, and each promise he had made ; we would state to him, as clearly as we could, the moral principle involved in each step, or which each symbol enforced ; we would again point out to him all the duties he had assumed and the rights he had acquired, and in our charge exhort him to prove himself true, upright and just. In our own *words*, we would thus instruct the candidate, or, in the absence of an initiation, the Lodge, and this we would call a "lecture." The only uniformity we would require would be uniformity of principle, of sentiment, and this sentiment, we feel assured, would be uniform among all intelligent, well read Masons ; but a uniformity of words, of phrases, is an Utopian idea, impossible ever to be, even partially realized, and the greatest obstacle to true uniformity.

The conclusion of this subject, brings us back to the subject of Rites, which means nothing more nor less than the ceremonies, as conferred, chiefly under different organizations ; or the different Masonic Rites which are used to distinguish Masons whose ceremonies are supposed to differ. There are but three "Rites" of Masonry of a prevalence sufficient to call for our notice—the York, French or Modern, and the Scottish, or Ancient and Accepted. Now, let us disabuse a large number of Masons of the idea that when we speak of Rites, we have reference to more than the three degrees of Apprentice, Fellow-Craft and Master, as they have been conferred under these several systems of degrees. We all know there are many degrees, though as to what their peculiar ceremonies are, we cannot speak of them in the Grand Lodge ; we also know, that certain of these degrees are said to be attached to, or to belong to, or to be of, each Rite. As, for instance, Royal Arch, and others, to be of the York Rite ; certain others of the French Rite ; and still certain others, thirty in number, of the Scottish Rite. But aside from the fact of their mere

appendage, they have nothing to do with the present discussion of the work and principles of the three symbolic degrees.

We are now to speak of the three degrees of which the Grand Lodge has cognizance, of either and all the Rites. And our inquiry should be limited to these three degrees, and to the difference of principles and of their methods of working, etc., if any real difference actually exists. Are the same principles inculcated in these three degrees by these three Rites? Are the same duties required, and obligations enjoined, upon each initiate in each? Are the same steps taken by each in the ceremonies of initiation? And are the means of recognition, the signs, grips, words, etc., the same? If an affirmative answer can be given to each of these questions; if the intelligent Masons of each Rite, in substance—we do not mean mere form—but in substance, teach the same great doctrines and truths; if they administer, substantially, the same obligations, and enjoin the same duties; if the form of ceremony in each Rite is such that a well-informed Mason of another Rite could, on the first time of witnessing the ceremony, recognize it as a Masonic ceremony, and recognize the degree then being conferred, if the signs, passwords, etc., should, under the same conditions, be recognized as Masonic, and as belonging to the proper degree, we would say that the uniformity was fully sufficient and would most clearly warrant us in recognizing the work as legitimate and Masonic. If, on the contrary, those Rites should be found to differ in any of these three essentials, that uniformity would be wanting, and it would then become necessary to legislate upon the subject.

We are of the York Rite—we have tried to perfect ourselves in the principles and working of that Rite; at the same time we have examined the principles and workings of the other two Rites, and so far, as we have before stated, we have been able to discover no real or essential difference between the principles, when properly inculcated, of either of the three Rites. Any one may undoubtedly find Masons in either Rite, who hold principles which they claim to be Masonic, and as taught by their Rite, which the majority of the other two Rites would condemn, and which would most undoubtedly conflict with the principles really inculcated by those Rites. But, at the same time, those very principles would, on examination, be found at variance with the principles really incul-

cated by the Rite to which the holder professed to belong. Some might claim that some sectarian dogma was taught by and peculiar to a certain Rite. Yet this would not make it so. Another, of socialistic or infidel tendencies, might inculcate, as Masonic, certain notions peculiar to his views, and as peculiar and belonging to his Rite which he preferred. An examination, however, would dissipate these supposed differences, and hence we should be careful when we condemn individual opinions, not to condemn, at the same time, a Masonic Rite. Sectaries will exist in all organizations, but let us not condemn the organization while condemning sectarianism.

Again, we state, that so far as our examination goes, the obligations and duties enjoined on initiates are in fact, if not in words, the same. A few may omit, or add to these, but that does not alter the general practice. The same remark applies to the ceremonies of initiation into the various degrees, and, although in the French and Scottish Rites, some additional ceremonies may prevail in one or more of the degrees, to those practised in Lodges working in the York Rite, and which may appear strange to the novitiate of the York Rite ; yet, they all tend to inculcate, with more or less force, when properly conferred, the same great truths which were attempted to be impressed upon the York Mason, and if not recognized by him, shows the failure of the intended impression upon his mind, and that he needs more powerful symbols, such as he is witnessing, or that he does not understand the language in which the ceremonies are conducted. The signs, words, etc., we have also found to be essentially the same, the former not varying more than among York Lodges, and the latter not more than is to be expected from the pronunciation of the same words by men speaking different languages.

We would like, therefore, to hear in what the great differences consists, if any such there be; and why it is that the different Rites are not, in effect and reality, the same Masonry, with only a different name. We have gone into this subject to the great length we have, not so much to combat what we conceive to be errors, prejudices, in our own jurisdiction, as to set ourselves right before the Masonic world, and to bring all to acknowledge in what true uniformity consists; and thus to bring it actually about, throughout the whole world; and, especially, to set the Masons of other jurisdictions right upon the subject of the different Masonic Rites, as practised among

us; that we may not be censured by any for the course we have adopted, and will undoubtedly pursue, in regard to those Rites. We feel certain, that when the Masonic world shall come to know what the term Rite means, when applied to the three degrees of Symbolic Masonry, and that there is no essential, material, appreciable difference between the three—the York, French and Scottish—as practised here and elsewhere, as we understand, and have explained, what uniformity means, that our course will not only not be condemned, but approved and applauded; and that we shall, by this very course of recognition, and explanation of our views, lay the foundation for a true Masonic union of all Masons, of whatever Rite; and, in the end, be the means of *bringing about a true uniformity, and the abolishment of all Rites, in the more general and correct term of* FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS, under which we now have for several years acted, and shall continue to act; and with this union of sentiment and title, do away with and abolish all sectarian, socialistic, and narrow-minded dogmas, which have crept into the Order, to our great detriment and danger. If this effort of ours but accomplish a tithe of this—and, especially, if it but bring about peace and good will among us, and with our neighbors—your Committee will be more than satisfied with the result of their labors.

### MARYLAND.

The proceedings of this Grand Lodge are those of its Annual Communication, held in November, 1857. These were principally of a local character; among which, the disposal of the Masonic Hall occupied a considerable portion. The address of the retiring Grand Master was confined, in the main, to the detail of the business of his office during the year.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence (we leave out the word "Foreign," Bro. McJilton), was a very able document, of forty-two pages of the appendix, in which were reviewed the proceedings of but seventeen Grand Lodges, and ours not of the number—though most of the matters noticed had been reviewed by your Committee of last year. Yet, we took pleasure in its perusal, and do not at all regret its late reception, which gave us this pleasure. It is after, and nearly up to, our highest ideal of what such a report should be,



and far surpasses the fulfillment of that ideal by your Committee. There is quite an amount of discussion, but none too much—as is occasionally our own fault—and a fair display of selections of facts; yet so interspersed with remarks of the Committee, as to render it far from being that dry reading, which too frequently is the case in those reports where the Committees confine themselves to a simple detail of occurrences. Though we admire Bro. Gilman's reports as much as his own intimate friends, we must say, we are perfectly satisfied with his successor.

### MASSACHUSETTS.

We have had before us the proceedings of this Grand Lodge at its Annual Communication in December, 1857, and at its three previously held Quarterly Communications. From a remark, occurring in the Grand Master's address, in which complaint is made of the failure of representation, there being but 100 present, out of a membership of 336, and most of these being residents of Boston, we feel certain of a want of change in their Constitution, similar to that which we made in 1850, and which South Carolina has also fortunately accomplished during the past year. This is to abolish Quarterly Communications, and have but one, and that a Grand Annual Communication, when it will be found that some other place than Boston will be represented; cut off, also, a number of the officers, and print with the annual proceedings the returns of the Lodges. The address of the Grand Master, it appears to us, should also be presented at the commencement instead of the close of the session. Our Brethren of Massachusetts are decidedly an old foggy set. It took the committee, to whom was referred the Grand Master's address, delivered at the close of the Communication, in December, 1856, full nine months to make up their report. They, among other things, reported against "the printing the records of the Grand Lodge," "as of doubtful expediency." If they had simply said that their funds would not warrant the expense, no one could complain, except their own constituents; but, when they proceed to give reasons for the "*doubtful expediency*," such as they did, every Mason has not only a right to complain, but to protest against the truth of the reasons there advanced, especially when the report was adopted by the Grand Lodge.

They say "that our records are not intended for the public, nor would they interest the general reader ; but, in the hands of our enemies, might be used to our hurt." "Safety is the price of untiring vigilance and watchfulness." They also come to the conclusion that their funds are devoted to other objects, and would be wrongly appropriated if used for this purpose. We would like to know what harm could ensue were a copy of the records placed in the hands of each of the 5320 Brethren in Massachusetts, and if such a number is not sufficient for an audience without going among the profane for readers? If all the proceedings have been conducted as they should, even "in the hands of our enemies," there could no harm ensue. It is this careful concealment that invariably leads to suspicion, and the habit of doing things in secret with the expectancy that the secrecy will be maintained, which generally leads to evil deeds, a knowledge of which might cause us harm in the hands of our enemies : but the harm is not alone among our enemies. The members of our own Order are often led into acts of opposition from the belief in the existence of supposed ill-practices, which the diffusion of light might easily have prevented. We speak in Louisiana from experience. It is not yet nine years since, through actual revolution, the Fraternity in this State was freed from an incubus worse than the fabled one of "the old man of the sea." Old fogysim, in New Orleans, had possession ; quarterly meetings were held sometimes oftener than once a month, (twenty-seven times in one year). No one present but the *permanent* members and a few of the number in this city, who had, for twenty years and upwards, constituted the Grand Lodge, and had incumbered it to such an extent that a circumlocution office was no comparison to it ; and, to crown all, it was not thought proper to give information of their acts to any one. The result we have seen. The same troubles are hardly yet over with in New York. South Carolina has just emancipated herself. Pennsylvania, we hope, will, and we have the same good wishes for the Fraternity in Massachusetts, and all States and countries where the old fogies of the metropolitan city govern and cramp everything.

The address of Grand Master Heard, on his reinstallation, is a very able document. It is divided into appropriate heads, among which we observe, as containing very appropriate remarks, "Voters in the Grand Lodge," elsewhere noticed ; "Visits of Grand Master,"

in which we learn the highly interesting fact that he had visited every Lodge in the jurisdiction ; " Work and Lectures ;" " Proficiency of Candidates ;" " Qualifications of Candidates and Objects of Freemasonry ;" " Visitors," and " Printing Records of the Grand Lodge." The remarks upon the last three of which we would quote in full did our limits permit. We cannot refrain from making the following extracts, as breathing forth sentiments quite refreshing to Masons who have hitherto been accustomed to the old stereotyped notions of the old fogies in and about Boston. Speaking of the report against printing the Records of the Grand Lodge, which he had previously recommended, after stating the objections of the committee, he says :

" The diffusion among the Fraternity of a knowledge of the origin and early career of Freemasonry in America, of much of its history here for a century and a quarter, and of the evidences of steady persistence in maintaining and carrying out, in adversity and prosperity, our benevolent principles, by noble men whose deeds and names ought not to be forgotten, are among some of the benefits which will be secured by the publication suggested. Freemasonry in Massachusetts has a brilliant and instructive history ; and the examples it affords ought to be carried into every Lodge in our commonwealth. \* \* \* \* From 1798 to 1830, there is in printed form scarcely a trace of the doings of our Brethren to be found."

He says :

" It is objected that the Records are not intended for public inspection, would not interest the general reader, and, being in the hands of our enemies, might be used to our hurt. In the enunciation of these sentiments, the committee appear to be controlled by fears similar to those which actuated our English Brethren to destroy valuable records lest they might be seen by the uninitiated."

In this he refers to the burning of the Records, etc., in 1718, and says :

" It is lamentable that our Transatlantic Brethren had so little confidence in the discernment and prudence of their Grand Lodge. \* \* \* \* Let us profit by this untoward example, and not neglect that which our successors could rightfully claim of us as our duty. I propose not to invade the arcana of Freemasonry, nor to place ourselves in the slightest degree in the power of our enemies, if we have any."

Again :

" The committee object that the means in our treasury will not warrant so

great an outlay as the work proposed would require. \* \* \* \* I would ask whether it would not be as productive of good to the institution as rich regalias and costly pageants ? I do not disparage the application of our money for decoration and reasonable Masonic display, but wish to direct attention to a comparison of the advantages to be derived from them, with those to be realized from an authentic exposition of the labors of the Craft during a most interesting period of its existence."

He "dissents most emphatically" to the declaration that the funds of the Grand Lodge are sacredly dedicated to the poor and indigent. In another place he says :

"That one considers it to be an institution formed for the purpose of benevolence ; that, through its medium, the sick may be visited, the destitute relieved, the widow comforted, and the aged placed in a situation where want can never more afflict them ; but this design, how amiable and praiseworthy it may be, is only one of the purposes of Freemasonry. \* \* \* \* We are called a 'Universal Brotherhood,' and it may be questioned whether, through a misunderstanding of the term, we have not impaired our prosperity and influence. Has not the idea, which the term suggests, led us to open our portals too readily and widely ? Men of every country, sect and opinion, we would accept as Brethren, but not all men of every country, sect and opinion. The word universal is applied to our Society as embracing men 'of all nations, tongues, kindreds and languages,' who possess the Masonic standard of character."

We would like to add more of this truly admirable address to this Report, but the space allotted us forbids.

## MICHIGAN.

We have the proceedings of this Grand Lodge for January, 1858. The business was entirely of a local character and of minor importance. The address of the Grand Master was a detail of the doings of his office during the year, among which the chief was a conflict of jurisdiction of certain Lodges on the Southern border of the State. He also noticed the Canada question at some length. The report on Correspondence, by the Grand Secretary, was a very brief notice of the proceedings of the various Grand Lodges which had been received by him—the Canada question also getting a notice.

## PAST MASTER'S DEGREE.

But one other subject in this report we deem of such interest as to notice. In his notice of the report on Correspondence by Bro. King, of New York, the Past Master question comes up by reason of certain strictures on a supposed action of the Grand Lodge of Michigan. It seems that the Grand Lodge of Michigan had passed a resolution, or adopted a report of the Committee on Grievances, by which "they affirmed their opinion, that the Past Master's Degree was not necessary to qualify a Master to preside." Bro. King says, as reported by the Michigan committee, that "they (the committee of New York) have always supposed, that the person who was elected to preside over a Lodge, should receive this degree or order in some form or other, either in a chapter or in a convention of Past Masters, and that it is their impression that Michigan stands alone among Grand Lodges, in omitting this qualifying formula." The Michigan committee, in reply, intimate that they do not stand alone, but that they require the qualifying formula.

Now, we do not pretend to the age, Masonic or otherwise, of Bro. King, nor to the same extent of reading, nor to the same clearness of reasoning powers, yet we must decidedly differ from his conclusions upon this question. Our opinion has been heretofore frequently and fully expressed before another Body, and seems to meet with considerable favor, and hence we feel more bold to express here, the conclusions at which we have arrived. We do not believe that the Grand Lodge, or any Subordinate Lodge, has of right or reason, anything to do with the degree or order of Past Master, any more than they have with the order of Knights Templars or Odd Fellowship; and for the simple reason that two-thirds of the members of the Grand Lodge cannot rightfully know, or if they can know, cannot rightfully speak of one more than the other. How, then, can a Grand Lodge, by vote or otherwise, require a Master to possess qualifications—a degree or order—of which they cannot speak if they know, and of which many can rightfully know nothing. Many members of this Grand Lodge will remember the remark made by our then Grand Marshal, the late and lamented Bro. F. F. Parmele, in the Grand Lodge, three years ago, when this question was brought up by the Chairman of this Committee:

"That he could not vote on the question, for his rule was ever to vote understandingly; that he knew nothing of the question, could know nothing, and no one in the Grand Lodge had any right to enlighten him."

So much for the right of a Symbolic Lodge, either Grand or Subordinate, to legislate about the degree or order of Past Master.

Again, we say, there is no *necessity* for a Master elect of a Lodge to have the degree or order as a "qualifying formula." We appeal to every one having it, to say if there be anything in the *secret portion* of the degree or order which any better fits the possessor for a presiding officer? and we confidently expect an answer in the negative. We can, we think, having the degree or order ourselves, and having, in the person of the chairman, conferred it upon more than one hundred different individuals, and without fear of revealing any secret, say, that there is absolutely nothing in the secret portion of the degree which qualifies the party to preside one whit better than if such secrets never existed. All that is necessary beyond the natural and acquired qualifications of a well qualified Warden, in order to fit him for the permanent presiding officer of a Lodge, is, that he should give his assent to those charges, and requisites in the installation service, to be found in every Monitor and Trestle-Board extant. There is no other qualifying formula than that, required of the Master of a Lodge.

Nor is Michigan alone in this, even should she be found to have dispensed with "this qualifying formula." This chairman has, in this jurisdiction, seen Masters preside who had been legally installed, one of them by the Grand Master, and who knew nothing rightfully of the degree or order. He also was made a Mason in another jurisdiction, by a Master who served his whole term without having the degree, though there were many members of the Lodge qualified to confer it, and he presided as well without it, as he could have done with it, and so can any one else. We remember being excluded from the Lodge room the day his successor was installed, in order that those qualified to be present might have the fun or pleasure of conferring the degree upon the retiring Master, and this after he had finally left the chair, and had become an *actual Past Master by office*. This was carrying out the thing, as we have no doubt it originally existed, and as it should be now.

This brings us to the point where we can state what we believe to be the proper position of this degree or order, and the confusion which has arisen from its having been confounded with the accidental thing bearing the same name, which results from one's having presided his time and become, *in fact*, a Past Master, just as one becomes a Past Warden, or Past Secretary. In most Grand Lodges, certain rights are granted to the retiring Master of a Lodge, such as a seat or vote in the Grand Lodge, and which is wholly distinct from those attached to the possessor of the degree and of an entirely different nature, as much so as a ceremony differs from a position. We have no doubt, that originally, the actual Past Masters, by office, invented this degree as a means of recognition among themselves exclusively; that in process of time, they enlarged and divided their jurisdiction by conferring it upon Masters in the chair, and granting to Royal Arch Masons the right to confer it upon those whom they (the Royal Arch Masons) might select to receive the august degree of Royal Arch, it being confined to those Masons who were in possession of the secrets of the degree or order of Past Master.

By this arrangement, the Past Masters, by office, retain *the right* in a convocation of Past Masters, that is, of those legally in possession of the degree, to confer it upon *installed* Masters of Lodges, and upon those who shall have served their term of office before having had an opportunity of receiving it. At the same time, Chapters of Royal Arch Masons have also *the right* to confer the *degree* or order upon any worthy Master Mason, whom they shall elect to receive the degrees of the Chapter. But Grand Lodges have nothing whatever to do with the degree. As to Past Masters, by office, whether possessing the degree or not, they can enlarge or curtail their privileges and powers in the Grand Lodge, and *nothing more*. It will thus be seen, that this whole question, when properly understood, is found in a nut shell. The difficulty about this matter, which has occasioned so much wrangling and discussion, has arisen solely from a confounding of terms, of a thing with a name, of a ceremony with an accident, and which needs but to be studied, with a view of finding out the cause of all this dispute, to be quickly solved. If such be the result of our investigations and labors, we shall be satisfied.

## MINNESOTA.

The opening address of the M. W. Grand Master, A. T. C. Pierson, at the Grand Communication in January, 1858, is characteristic of the man—open, off-hand, and to the point; and, withal, so full of good things, that we had almost quoted the greater portion of it, and have only refrained, because we knew not where to begin, unless at the beginning, or to leave off, except at the end. In accordance with the requirements of the Constitution, he had visited all the Lodges in the jurisdiction, except two; and, to those who know him, it can be easily conceived, with what pleasure to himself and profit to his constituents. In his remarks, he says he has

“Secured uniformity of ceremony; but that of the language can never be, as the work cannot be written; nor is it desirable that precisely the same words should be used under all circumstances: the Lodge-room would become monotonous. Uniformity, however, should be had in ceremonial and usage.”

This, and what follows in his address upon the same subject, so nearly corresponds with what we had previously written, that we felt, on reading it, a double assurance that we were right in the principles we had advanced; and, especially, when we found the same views entertained by such a Mason as Grand Master Pierson. He further says, that

“Masonry does not consist of words alone. To be able to pronounce a few set phrases, and always in precisely the same language, does not make a Mason. A ‘bright Mason’ is not one who has learned the Ritual by rote, and is at a loss if a syllable or word be forgotten, and knows no more of Masonry. A bright Mason, if I understand the term, is one who is familiar with the Ritual; who understands the nature and origin of our symbols; who has studied the meaning of our ceremonies; who appreciates and practices the teachings of our mysteries; *one who is a good man and true.*”

A form for the installation of Grand officers, prepared by Bro. Mackey, was reported by Bro. Smith, and unanimously adopted. There was an able Report from the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, by our Bro. Prescott, the Grand Secretary. He not only presents the views of others in his report, but extends it to some considerable length with his own views. This is, in our opinion, what such a Committee should do. Who would read, or care to read, a



report which should simply state, that such a Grand Lodge met on such a day, in such a place; that the Grand Master read an able address (quoting from it); that such resolutions were adopted or rejected; and such proceedings had, etc., etc.? But when, as is now the prevailing practice, all the movements of the Craft are gathered into statistical tables, which can be taken in at a glance, a Committee on Correspondence should grasp some feature, peculiar from its newness, or some departure from what is conceived to be the right way; or some great principle, which, being alluded to, they can take as a text, and present the subject to the Brethren. Then, a benefit would accrue to the Craft—Pennsylvania opinions to the contrary, notwithstanding; and these reports would be read with interest and profit; for, even if they failed to convince, they would excite curiosity, and the spirit of inquiry; in short, set the Brethren a thinking, and that is more than is usually accomplished. It is principally for the above reasons that we style the report of Bro. Prescott an able one, though he does, indeed, discuss his subjects with freedom and ability.

Among the many matters thus ably handled, our Bro. Prescott takes the proper occasion, when reviewing the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Vermont, to attempt a defense of the legality of his own Grand Lodge, which was shown to be called in question by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, in its discussion of the Canada question. He finally yields the floor, if we may so speak, to the able argument of Bro. Tucker, in his famed address upon the Canada question; and quotes from the report prepared by your Chairman on the same subject, in the Report on Foreign Correspondence to this Grand Lodge in 1856, quoting our remarks upon that point in full. Bro. Prescott, however, again takes courage when he comes to the Canada proceedings, and proceeds at some length, and with ability, to give his views; but again finally yields, in recommending the publication of the whole of Bro. Tucker's remarks upon the question. We would also have done the same when our report was written, had it not been written at the same time Bro. Tucker was engaged, a thousand miles away, upon his; and now that we find Bro. Prescott did so, whatever we might have felt, we know we should not have been alone in yielding to the superior strength of such a veteran as the Grand Master of Vermont.

Since writing the above, we have received the proceedings of the Grand Communication, held on the 26th of October last—the date of the annual meeting having been changed. In the address of M. W. Bro. Pierson, Grand Master, we find a full history of the attempts which have been made towards the formation of a General or National Grand Lodge, or a National Confederation of Grand Lodges, in which he also sets forth at length the various objections to and reasons for such an organization, and ending with a plan of his own, and which we append entire in its appropriate place, and with a favorable opinion of the plan. The plan proposed by Grand Master Pierson was adopted, and the Grand Master, Past Grand Master Ames, and the Grand Secretary Prescott, selected as delegates to a Convention proposed to be held at Chicago in September next.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Grand Secretary, Bro. Prescott, covering fifty pages, and is a review of the proceedings of thirty-two Grand Lodges. In this Report, our proceedings of last year receive a very favorable and full notice of over four pages. The Grand Officers of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire receives from Bro. Prescott a deserved rebuke for granting so many dispensations for conferring degrees in alleged cases of emergency, and expresses some wonder that, with but eighteen miles of sea coast, so many are infected with a sudden desire of “going beyond the sea.”

We would make extracts, both from this report and the address of Grand Master Pierson, did not the great length to which we have already extended this report forbid. The proceedings of the Grand Lodge were of a local nature, and require no special notice from us, further than has already been given.

## MISSOURI.

The proceedings of this Grand Lodge are those of the Communication of May last. The address of the Grand Master and of the twenty-four D. D. G. G. Masters, occupying about twenty-five pages, are confined principally to the business pertaining to their respective offices. The Report of the Committee on Correspondence, as usual, from the pen of Bro. O'Sullivan, the able Grand Secretary and distinguished writer of Reports, is, as heretofore, an extended review of the proceedings of thirty-two Grand Lodges, ours among the number.

We have read this report, as we read all by Bro. O'Sullivan, with much pleasure and profit. When disposed to write in a censorious manner, his gentlemanly style, and well turned, but just compliments, to those under review, drives from us the spirit of fault-finding, to which we are at times subject. When our experience is as great as his, we hope we may be able to treat all subjects as he treats them.

We fully concur with his opinion in regard to Lodges U. D. in opposition to that of Bro. Storer; that Lodges U. D. and Chartered Lodges are both regular—the one, however, being perpetual; the other only existing for a time, usually named in the Dispensation; with such other limitations as may be specially named in the Dispensation, or in the regulations under which it was granted. All through the report we looked for expressions of opinion and criticisms from the committee, but found them fewer than usual, much to our regret, and occasioned, as we learned at the end, by the press of business upon the Chairman, resulting from his many duties, which we know to be arduous. We are sorry to learn that Bro. O'Sullivan declined to serve again on the committee; since, however pressed, he may be with business, he always furnishes something entertaining and instructive, and which, though we do not specially notice here, has, more or less, tinged our remarks in other places in this report.

The Report of the President of the Masonic College is the next important document in order in these proceedings. The utility of this Institution we have always questioned, nor does the undertaking seem to give that satisfaction to our Brethren in Missouri which they anticipated. A Grand Lodge has enough to do to attend to its *Masonic* duties, and whenever it undertakes to do anything outside of those duties, however praiseworthy it may be, the energies of the Craft are invariably crippled. One-half the effort made to create and sustain the college in Missouri devoted to the encouragement of institutions of learning already established in the State, would have accomplished far more of real benefit to themselves and the community. This seems to be the opinion of a respectable portion of the Masons of Missouri, and our opinion is, that the sooner they disencumber themselves of this more than useless burden the better. Steps were taken to dissolve the connection of the Grand Lodge with the college, which, we hope, for the benefit of both the institutions, will be consummated.

The Grand Lodge declined any participation in a Universal Masonic

Congress. It appropriated one hundred dollars to the Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence. Many matters of great local interest were acted upon in a way that would serve as a model for many other Grand Lodges.

### MISSISSIPPI.

The proceedings of this Grand Lodge are contained in a volume of just five hundred pages. Though it is a matter about which we, as a committee, perhaps, have no other concern than the trouble of looking through this large volume, yet this trouble leads us to suggest that all the information contained in the book might, without the least trouble or detriment, be contained in one-half the number of pages. To be sure the proceedings themselves of the Annual Communication for January, 1858, occupy but one hundred and twenty pages, and which could hardly be reduced into much smaller limits—only a few pages of repetition—yet of the remainder of the book, two hundred and eighty-two pages are used up with the returns of the various Lodges. In this we must commend our Brethren of Mississippi in doing a work—namely, publishing the annual list of its members—which many other Grand Lodges neglect or refuse to do on the alleged ground of the additional expense; yet we must say that by leaving out all the matter in these returns, entirely useless for publication, one hundred and forty pages would amply suffice. We cannot avoid adding, however, in this place, that we have occasion to regret, even almost to find fault with other Grand Lodges, such as Alabama, New York, South Carolina, Pennsylvania, and most of the New England Grand Lodges, and others, for their neglect to publish a list of their members annually; well knowing, from experience, the great assistance such lists would render in the detection of impostors and the unworthy, who, for purposes of plunder, if we may so call it, apply to us for relief and Masonic aid, when they by no means are entitled to receive it. We have had occasion, within the three years past, to examine into the claims of hundreds of applicants for Masonic charity, and in but few instances have we been imposed upon, except by those pretending to hail from Lodges in those States where no lists of members are published annually by the respective Grand Lodges. The

money thus thrown away upon impostors, in New Orleans alone, would have nearly sufficed to pay for publishing these lists of members. We cannot, therefore, too highly commend the zeal of our Mississippi Brethren in going to the expense necessarily incurred in such publication.

The Grand Lodge was opened with an address, filled with Masonic sentiment of the highest order, by the Grand Master, William R. Cannon; and, while enlightened and cheered with its perusal, we could but mourn at the announcement of his decease by the Grand Secretary, on the last page of the volume before us, which sad event of his death took place just as the last page was going to press, at two o'clock on the 15th of April last. In his address, the Grand Master suggests the curtailment of the proceedings, without injustice to any one, but which suggestion we perceive was not followed.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence is from the pen of the Grand Secretary, and comprises forty pages of the proceedings. In it he gives a summary of the action of the several Grand Lodges brought under review, and details at length the grounds of complaint of the Masons of Canada, and their reasons for forming a Grand Lodge, to which he also adds the reasoning of Bro. Brown, of Florida, upon the subject. He states, at the close, the conclusions arrived at by the various Grand Lodges upon the "rights of unaffiliated Masons," "the uniformity of work," "Masonic jurisprudence" and "By-laws."

The action of Orleans Lodge, No. 78, of our jurisdiction, was censured for making a Mason of one Jacob Roth, if such be the case, who was at the time a citizen of Washington county, Mississippi, and under indictment by the Grand Jury of that county. Though this matter has been, we believe, satisfactorily settled, yet we note it as a caution to others for the future.

## NEBRASKA.

The organization of this Grand Lodge was noticed in an appendix to the report of last year. Since then, we have received the proceedings of the First Annual Communication, held on the second of June last. The legislation of this Grand Lodge is such as is necessarily incident to all newly-formed Grand Lodges; and though we have

examined the same with some care, we find nothing calling for extended comment. On the Holy Bible question, they take a middle ground, not regarding the expression of a belief in it, only in its principles, as a necessary qualification to one becoming a Mason; yet, find nothing to dissent from the question being put to the candidate, as to his belief in its Divine authenticity. The address of the Grand Master, as well as the address of the Grand Orator, and the reports of various committees, exhibit more than the usual amount of Masonic information and intelligence. From the character of the proceedings before us, we have no fears of a healthy progress of our Order in that far-off Territory, and reiterate the kind and fraternal wishes of the Committee of last year.

### NEW HAMPSHIRE.

From this Grand Lodge, no proceedings have been received, though held in June last. We have had notice of them, however, through the late proceedings—especially of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, to which reference is made. These few failures (Connecticut, New Hampshire, and Ohio), are all (except the last), owing undoubtedly to some miscarriage of the mails, as they are out of the usual course of things—so far, at least, as these missing proceedings are concerned.

### NEW JERSEY.

In the last proceedings of this Grand Lodge, the address of the Grand Master, as well as of the other Grand officers, is confined, almost entirely, to matters of business; and the legislation of the Grand Lodge of that local character, which requires no further comment than this, that they exhibit the Order in quite a flourishing condition, and that harmony remains undisturbed in that jurisdiction. There was, however, an elaborate and very able report from a special committee, on the Canada question; but as this subject has been discussed in the three last reports of your Committees on Correspondence, we deem no further remarks necessary in this place, than to announce the adoption of a resolution, presented by the Committee, which cordially recognizes the Grand Lodge of Canada as a legally

constituted Grand Lodge. There was a report of fourteen pages from the Committee on Correspondence, giving a brief summary of the proceedings of the several Grand Lodges had under review—ours, however, not of the number; but presenting no features requiring any special notice from us. We notice the adoption of a new Constitution for the Grand Lodge, contained on THREE pages of the proceedings. We have examined it carefully, and find it truly a model Constitution. It expresses clearly the *fundamental law* of that Grand Lodge, and is not encumbered with a mass of *legislation*, which is too often found in the Constitutions of Grand Lodges. The framers of it deserve great credit for their work; and we have no doubt the Grand Lodge will find out the advantages of a Constitution separated from legislation.

### NEW YORK.

It was with no slight degree of hesitation, we sat down to the review of the proceedings of this Grand Lodge, for June last. Omitting all the tabular statements, they occupy two hundred and thirty pages of closely printed matter. To read all this, is no ordinary task, and, we might say, pleasure—when we consider the vast array of distinguished talent which was brought into service in the various reports and addresses; and all, too, upon questions of great interest to Masons throughout the world; many of them of vital importance to themselves; and when we consider that everything was so harmoniously settled, that now scarcely a murmur of discontent remains throughout the whole of that jurisdiction. If we felt a degree of hesitation before perusing these proceedings, we felt much more when attempting to review them—since we found several things to which we felt compelled to dissent. And as we do so feel, we find ourselves under the necessity of giving our reasons, and feel somewhat of diffidence in arraying our opinions, and powers of reasoning, against those of our Brethren of the Grand Lodge of New York. Thus much we have deemed it due to ourselves to premise; and shall, from hence to the end, express our opinions freely, whether of approval or disapproval. Did not our limits forbid, we would take great pleasure in quoting many noble and heart-cheering sentiments, with which several of the addresses—and more particularly that of Grand

Master Lewis—abound. But, for the most part, our simple assertion that these addresses are full of such thoughts, will have to suffice. We would recommend the perusal of these addresses by all who can obtain the privilege of so doing.

The Grand Master deprecates the bringing of contentions into the Grand Lodge, and says that:

“Dissensions have crept into our Lodge-rooms, strife and bitterness have found a place beside the three great lights of Masonry; an unhallowed thirst for the empty distinctions of Lodge office, has been allowed to prevail; contests about trifles have been fanned into flames of discord; attempts made to divert the noble design of our Institution to individual benefit and emolument; and a feverish excitement to devise new plans which can but obscure the brightness of the Ancient Landmarks.”

All these evil practices are justly deprecated.

He reports decisions upon thirty-three points of Masonic law and usage, most of which were approved by the Grand Lodge. Several of them depended upon local legislation; of these we have nothing to say. Of the others, some we approve, and others we disapprove; among the latter is the 4th, “that a Master must receive the honorary degree of Past Master before installation.” In our review of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Michigan, we have fully expressed our views upon this point, and pass on to the next. As to the 19th decision, if it is the interpretation of a general regulation of his Grand Lodge, we have nothing to say against it; but we deny the conclusion:

“That all business of a Lodge must be transacted in the Master’s Degree, for the reasons that none below that degree have a right to know what is done in a Master’s Lodge, and *members* of a Lodge, that is Master Masons, can only participate in its business.”

As if Master Masons could do no business outside of a Lodge opened in the Master’s Degree. M. W. Bro. Lewis is too good a logician, lawyer, and judge, to have given such reasons, and we can only conclude that he did so because he had no other to give. At least, we never heard of any other in support of this proposition. But if his reasoning is not in a circle, and that of the narrowest kind, we confess we never saw reasoning in a circle. The illustrations of



authors on logic are certainly far behind the specimen above quoted. We have elsewhere pointed out the advantages of permitting Apprentices and Fellow Crafts *to be present* as spectators while the ordinary business of the Lodge was being transacted, and we know that instead of being contrary to ancient custom and usage, it is in accordance therewith. But to say that all business must be done in a Master's Lodge, because no one but a Master Mason can sit in a Master's Lodge, is purely a *non sequiter*. Nor does it any more follow, that because only Master Masons can participate in the business of the Lodge, that, therefore, none but "members" can be present when business is being transacted.

From his address, and other sources, we are pleased to learn the "Board of Relief" in New York, (the idea of which was taken from ours,) is doing its work of charity and benevolence, and that its example has been followed by the Lodges in Brooklyn and Buffalo.

His notice of the "Work and Lectures," with the able remarks on the same subject by the efficient Grand Lecturer, Bro. Drew, gives occasion to add a few words upon this subject, to what we have said in another place. The Grand Master says:

"Were ours a system of mere forms and ceremonies, designed to impress the imagination of the neophyte, and to beguile the leisure of an idle hour, it would matter little whether we retained the same forms and ceremonies or not. It is because a *comprehensive system of moral truths*, as pointed in application as they are beautiful in conception, lie concealed behind these external forms. Interesting and quaint as these ceremonies are, they lay hold on the imagination, and having fastened there, the seed of the moral truths is left to germinate. This forms the life-study of the Mason, and happy is he who has apprehended them."

If we would have Masonry the same, not only in the means of recognition and the ties which bind us together, as Masons, but in its principles, we agree that there must be uniformity. Unless the *principles* taught by all bodies claiming to be Masonic, are essentially the same, it matters little to us whether the means of recognition, etc., are the same or not. The forms and ceremonies, and ties and obligations, are but the frame-work, at best the building—the *principles* are the inmates—whether found in hovel or palace. The same great fundamental truths lie at the foundation of all pure Freemasonry, and whether these are found in Lodges in China or Japan, among the

Chippeways or Arabs, or in the most intelligent Grand Lodge of the world, we hail the possessors of them, all as brothers of the same mystic tie—the forms, ceremonies, etc., are but the indices to the precious ore which lies hid in the mine beneath. That there is but “one true system of ancient work,” we most firmly believe, and we as surely think that the only way of finally arriving at that system, and making it universal, (which, certainly, should be the case), is by patient reading and investigation; by a careful and faithful study of first principles; by coming first to a knowledge of the kind of ore we are in search of, and then the indications—the forms and ceremonies—will invariably be found the same. This knowledge alone is the true test by which we can safely determine between two or more conflicting systems or discrepancies, and the more the true knowledge of our principles is disseminated, the nearer will be the day of a perfect uniformity. Not, indeed, a uniformity of language, for such language must, in all cases, be used as will most clearly convey the idea we wish, to the mind of the novitiate; but an uniformity of ideas, of principles, evidenced by an uniformity of symbols and ceremonies. The ideas we have here faintly expressed, we are happy to see, our Bro. Drew, as Grand Lecturer, has acted upon, and with a decided success. He took the ground, and adhered to it, “that nothing in Masonry is legal that does not admit of a rational explanation,” and this, when we once have learned the principles which lie at the foundation of our Order, will invariably meet with success. Uniformity, however, will never be established in any jurisdiction, however limited, not even in a Lodge, by merely determining what the work shall be, and directing its observance. There must be some unerring standard or rule, apart and distinct from the forms and symbols themselves, which must be first taught, and by which every form and symbol must be tried and proved.

There is, as usual, an able and lengthy report, covering ninety-three pages of fine print, from the pen of Bro. Finlay M. King, on Foreign Correspondence. We have carefully read the whole report, and before we proceed further to commend, we must dissent from that portion in which he brings into notice the remarks of M. W. Grand Master Tucker, of Vermont, as unworthy Bro. King’s heart and head, as possessing the same faults he charges upon Bro. Tucker. Grand Master Tucker can, of course, take care of himself; but as both Bro.

King and himself display more feeling, than prudence, we hope most sincerely that each will hereafter bury the hatchet, and cultivate more that spirit of brotherly courtesy which should always subsist between such bright exemplars of our Order. Our Canada Brethren have, it seems, settled the bone of contention for themselves, and taken away all further occasion for Bro. King to pour forth another philippic upon that subject ; and we will only here state, as one of the advocates of the legality of the organization of the Independent Grand Lodge of Canada, that Bro. King's reasoning and arguments are, in our estimation, illogical and untenable. At this late day, we do not feel called upon to enter at length into a discussion of the Canada question, simply referring to the report of your Chairman, made two years since, and to the more able reports of Bros. Tucker, French, Brown, Mackey and Morris, written about the same time, and to other more recent reports, as showing one of the clearest cases ever put upon record, and to which, at this time, more than three-fourths of the Grand Lodges of the United States have given their assent in the recognition of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

In his review of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of California, he rather dissents from the opinion of Grand Master Howard, condemning, in strong terms, what are called "side degrees." As to these degrees, *per se*, we have little to object to them any more than we have to any of the ceremonies of other institutions. We have received many of them and conferred them, as we have the degrees, or ceremonies of other orders and societies, *but never as Masonic degrees*. We, for a long time, wondered at what appeared to us the virulence of the attacks upon, and prejudice against, these "side degrees," and were unable to account for it, and especially as it was exhibited in most of the Western States. We had only known them as matters of pastime among ourselves, or as the occasion of a reunion of the wives of our Masonic Brethren. In many of them good and wholesome lessons are taught, but not as Masonry, only that Masons in their Lodges teach the same great truths. With such an idea we perceived no harm in them, until recently in the Western States we learned of the extent to which they had been carried. Merchandise had been made of them, and thousands had been erroneously taught to regard them as a part of Masonry, and many had neglected true Masonry for these spurious concerns. Some

had even gone so far as to have applied for and taken the three symbolic degrees for the sole and avowed purpose, it seems, of obtaining the possession of what was termed "the trading degree," by which they might be enabled to make good trades in horse jockeying expeditions. An instance, directly in point, was related to this writer by Bro. O'Sullivan, as coming under his personal observation, just after conferring the degree of Master Mason. We then no longer wondered at the opposition manifested by good Masons throughout the West. Since then, and quite recently, cases of *traveling females* have applied for, and, in some cases, received pecuniary aid as wives of Master Masons, by proving themselves adepts in certain female degrees, and who have afterwards been found to be unworthy. To an enlightened Mason the possession of these degrees by a woman, or any one, is no proof whatever of the possessor having any of the rights of a Mason, and no one should ever be taught that such is the case. In this matter, aside from conferring the degrees as a part of Masonry, this other objection pertains. The recipients take them with the hope, at some future time, of deriving some benefit therefrom. Masonry teaches, if we understand it, that we came into it for the purpose of benefitting our fellow-creatures, and not with any mercenary motives. The facts of the case in regard to these degrees in France are, we think, against Bro. King, and he should have gone to any other country to cite these "*superfetations* degrees," than to that country of schisms and innovations. As Masonic degrees, we are decidedly opposed to them.

We pass over many things in this report of which we highly approve, simply because our space will not permit us to quote, and come to the remarks upon our own proceedings. These are highly commended, and especially that portion of the Grand Master's address upon the action of the seceding Lodges among us. He says :

"We commend the strong language of the Grand Master in respect to the persons and Lodges engaged in the rebellion. It is about time that a stop should be put to these rebellions. They are destroying the confidence of the Fraternity in the capacity and efficiency of the Grand Lodges, and sapping their foundations with influences that must ultimately cause their dissolution, unless met with the strongest reprobation. With a view to excite a counter-acting influence, so far as this Grand Lodge is concerned, the committee submit and recommend the adoption of resolution No. 10, appended to this report."

Then follows a resolution forbidding all intercourse with the members of Perseverance Lodge, No. 4, St. Andrew's, No. 5, and Polar Star, No. 1, except such of the latter as were excepted by our Grand Lodge. This resolution was adopted, and we owe due thanks to the Grand Lodge of New York, and its worthy Chairman on Correspondence for their prompt and decided action in the premises. Louisiana Relief Lodge is favorably noticed.

The only other matter which we can spare room to notice in these proceedings, and which, as the most important, we have reserved to the last, is the union, effected on terms honorable to both parties, and without the waiving of a single principle of the Grand Lodge, and the Phillips' Grand Lodge, of which James Jenkins was Grand Master. The malcontents in New York are now reduced to a handful of miserable men, and the Grand Lodge has by this step taken with themselves good and true men, who acted in opposition from principle; and, although we have felt compelled to differ from them, yet have ever held them in the highest respect and esteem. Truly a glorious time it must have been when the union took place, and all angry feelings, as we hope and trust, were buried forever. At least, a heartfelt prayer is, that it may be so, and that hereafter no contention will ever be found among them, except "that contention, or, rather emulation, of who can best work and best agree."

### NORTH CAROLINA.

The latest proceedings of this Grand Lodge before your committee are those of the Annual Communication, held on the 7th of December, 1857. There was a short address from the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Holt, who declined a reelection. The business transacted was of purely a local character, principally connected with the affairs of St. John's College. An able report was presented on Foreign Correspondence, by Bro. William E. Blake, in which he reviews the proceedings of the various Grand Lodges, ours, for 1856, among the number. He very favorably noticed the organization of our Relief Lodge, and devotes a page or more in explanation of the remarks of our Committee on Correspondence in relation to St. John's College, and the action of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina thereon. Masonry seems to be in a healthy and prosperous condition in the old North State.

## OHIO.

The last proceedings from this Grand Lodge were of its Communication, held in October, 1857, received here during our last Communication, and reviewed by your committee at that time in supplement to their report of last year. We had hoped that our Brethren in Ohio would have been a little more active this time than heretofore; but in this we are, at the time of closing this report, disappointed. There are really many good things always to be found in the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Ohio, but they become quite stale after a year and more has passed. By a little more exertion on the part of their Printing Committee, we might get their proceedings in time to give them the notice they deserve.

## OREGON.

The proceedings of this Grand Lodge before your Committee are those had at its Grand Communication, held in July last. There is a short address from the Grand Master, confined, for the most part, to local matters. Bro. Holbrook, chairman, read the Report on Foreign Correspondence, reviewing the proceedings of thirty-four Grand Lodges, not in detail, however, but touching upon various subjects, such as the "General State of Masonry," "Moral discipline," "Must a Master have been a Warden," "Grand Lodge Orator," "Belief in the Authenticity of the Bible," and "Balloting for Degrees," giving extracts from the opinions of several brethren, Grand Masters and others. He considers the third subject above named still unsettled, and takes ground in favor of requiring a belief to be expressed in the authenticity of the Bible, as one of the qualifications necessary to being made a Mason.

## PENNSYLVANIA.

We have the proceedings of this ancient Grand Lodge, for the year 1857, before us. These consist of the proceedings had on the election of Grand Officers, at the quarterly meeting, December 21st, 1856, at which 119 Lodges were represented; the *extra* quarterly communica-

tion had on the same day as the preceding, at which the financial matters were arranged; the Annual Communication, held December 28th, 1857, when an address was read by the retiring Grand Master, which is principally taken up with a detail of his official visits, during the year, and which we should presume were taken from his private memorandum book. After this followed the installation of the Grand Officers, elect, and a speech from the newly installed Grand Master, with the various appointments, and the report of the Trustees of the Girard Charity Fund, and of the almoners of the Grand Lodge. Out of the first fund, \$1,615 was contributed to sixty-nine brethren of its own jurisdiction, and \$550 to thirty-three brethren of other jurisdictions. From the Grand Lodge Fund was contributed to the widows' and orphans' of Lodges contributing to the fund \$770, to others under the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania \$250. To members of Lodges in the United States \$182, and the remainder, amounting to \$80, to Masons' wives and orphans' hailing from Ireland, \$35; Canada, \$25; Prussia, \$10; and England, \$10. This is in strong contrast with the action of our Relief Lodge and the Lodges contributing to its funds, but we suppose that charity should always begin at home.

In addition, there is a Report on Foreign Correspondence, presented by Bro. L. H. Scott, and adopted by the Grand Lodge. In this he reviews the proceedings of twenty-nine Grand Lodges, ours for 1857 among the number. The existence and operations of Louisiana Relief Lodge, is extensively and very favorably noticed, and characterized as "an example of *practical Masonry*, highly honorable to themselves and worthy of imitation wherever the Order is known." There are other matters in this report which would assuredly have deserved notice, had the proceedings reached us one year ago, but coming at this late day, we find the subjects rather stale.

Since writing the above, the melancholy intelligence has reached us, through their Grand Secretary, Bro. Adams, of the death of the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. John K. Mitchell. This reaches us in a published copy of the proceedings of the extraordinary and special session of the Grand Lodge, held on the 13th of April last, and which contains brief but appropriate eulogies of the deceased.

## RHODE ISLAND.

The proceedings of this Grand Lodge before your Committee, are those for the year ending 24th June, 1857, being its sixty-sixth anniversary. They comprise but little which calls for any notice from your committee. In the annual address of the M. W. Grand Master, we find a short notice of the early history of his Grand Lodge. It seems that this was constituted in 1791, by St. John's Lodge of Newport, and St. John's Lodge of Providence—two Lodges. A Dispensation was issued for the third Lodge in 1796, which was constituted in 1799; and for the fourth Lodge in 1798. In the proceedings are found the account of the centennial celebration of St. John's Lodge, No. 2, at Providence.

There was no Report of the Committee on Correspondence, and only a list of the proceedings of other Grand Lodges, which had been received, and an excuse for not making a report, which was the inability of the Brother to act, appointed in place of the former committee.

Since writing the above, we have received the proceedings for the year ending 24th June, 1858. As to the proceedings themselves, we find but little for comment. Our Brethren in Rhode Island, seem surely to know what their whole duty is, and to perform it.

There is an able and comprehensive Report by Bro. Thomas A. Doyle, on Foreign Correspondence—in which he reviews all the proceedings of sister Grand Lodges, received during the two previous years. It, for the most part, "is made up of extracts from the proceedings of sister Grand Lodges"—or, as we should say, of extracts, and a condensed view of these proceedings; and in which our Grand Lodge, and especially the action of Louisiana Relief Lodge, is extensively and favorably noticed. To the latter, on recommendation of Bro. Doyle, the amount expended for the burial of a Brother of the Lodge at Bristol, on Newyear's-day, 1855, was refunded. For this, we return our thanks; and would recommend the widow and orphans to the care of the Brethren of Rhode Island.

Upon only two or three points does the Chairman express a decided opinion, and, upon all these, we agree with him; but, as we have previously treated upon these questions, we only mention them to say, we are more confirmed than ever in the correctness of the positions we have assumed.



## SOUTH CAROLINA.

We have the proceedings of this Grand Lodge from the 19th Jany., 1857, to the 3d of March, 1858. The main feature in these proceedings are certain amendments to the General Regulations, by which, in effect, the system of Quarterly Communications are dispensed with, and an equalization of representation brought about; to which is also added, pay for one representative from each Lodge. This is designed to bring about a more full representation, and which, we think, will accomplish the result. There is nothing worse, in all our experience, than these Quarterly Communications, and our wonder is, why they have been so long adhered to. Almost equally destructive to the prosperity of the Order, is the inequality of representation—by which (usually through the Past Master system), the place of meeting (usually the metropolitan city), is made, in fact, the Grand Lodge; and the country Lodges become disaffected, or, at the least, indifferent. Such was the case with us, and with New York; and has been the true source of all our difficulties. The same is true with Massachusetts, Maryland, and especially Pennsylvania. South Carolina has just freed herself from this incubus, and we congratulate her on her emancipation.

The chief feature of these proceedings is the Report of the Grand Secretary, Bro. Mackey, in the capacity of a Committee on Correspondence. Most of the matters treated of by him have been elsewhere noticed in this report. Upon one subject—the uniformity of work—indeed, all he says, we most heartily coincide in. All he says we would quote, had we not already occupied so much space in this report upon that subject. The Grand Master of New Jersey had asked the question: If the practice should not be denounced by the Grand Lodge, which submitted for the tradition of the secret mysteries of Freemasonry, the printed manual of some perjured Judas, who has betrayed his trust? Bro. Mackey says:

“It is, indeed, lamentable to reflect that these vile publications, which are at once the monuments of the ignorance of their authors and the folly of their readers, derive almost their sole support from the patronage of the Fraternity. As pretended disclosures of truth, they signally failed to produce any effect upon the profane; but, as spurious teachers of falsehood, and as propagators of numerous errors, they have too often, I fear, been of signal injury to the Fraternity. The

use of them by Masons in authority, should undoubtedly be punished by the most rigorous exertion of discipline, on the part of any Grand Lodge into whose jurisdiction they may have been introduced."

We quote the whole of his remarks, as justly severe, and, as we fear, applicable to some in our own jurisdiction.

One other subject, namely, the legislation upon the Holy Scriptures, and we close; and here we also quote Bro. Mackey, as expressing our views much better than we are able to do ourselves. He says:

"I have, on more than one occasion before, remarked on the evil of over-legislation in our Order. \* \* \* \* Our fathers have wisely avoided any enactments upon the subject of religious qualifications, except to require a belief and a trust in the Great Superintending Power, the G. . A. . O. . T. . U. . ; and it would be well if we adhered to the same rule. The very resolution of the Grand Lodge of Texas, shows at once the evil of this legislation on forbidden subjects. \* \* \* \* The whole subject is dangerous, and if we once begin by amending our Landmarks, and establishing formulas of faith, no one can tell where we shall stop—perhaps not short of the utter demolition of the universal spirit of toleration which now, happily, pervades our institution."

We have omitted in this extract most of the reasoning of Bro. Mackey, and simply given his conclusions, as fully expressing our own sentiments. If we make the belief in the authenticity and divine authority of the whole Bible, a necessary qualification of the candidate, we exclude the Jew; if we admit him, we, by implication, deny the divine authority of the New Testament—which no Christian can, for one moment, assent to; and, either interpretation, necessarily excludes the Mohammedan and others.

As the Grand Lodge of South Carolina has fixed its Annual Communications in November, we are in hopes of receiving its proceedings of that month before concluding this report.

## TENNESSEE.

The proceedings of this Grand Lodge are those of October, 1857, and in consequence most of the matters therein contained are of so old a date as to require but little notice from your committee. The address of the Grand Master was a business-like document—short, but to the point. The Grand Orator, on the occasion of the installation of the officers, delivered an address on the subject of "Masonry,

its Object and usefulness," which is filled with beautiful sentiments and sound doctrines. Bro. Fuller presented the Report on Correspondence, in which he gives a summary of the opinions of various Grand Lodges, and an able review of the same. He quotes in full and with approbation the whole report of the Massachusetts Committee on the Canada question, as also nearly all the remarks of the Grand Master of Texas, and the Committee on Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of Mississippi on the Holy Bible question; but, as we have in previous reports, fully discussed the first of these questions, and are satisfied with the remarks of Bro. Mackey on the latter, quoted in another place, we forbear making any further comment. We have hopes of receiving the proceedings of the last Annual Communication, held in October last, in which event we trust to be able to give them a more extended revisal.

Since writing the above, we have received the proceedings of the Grand Communication, held in October last. The address of the Grand Master is principally confined to local matters and the business of his office. The Report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Grand Secretary, and extends over eighty-two closely printed pages—reviewing the proceedings of the several Grand Lodges in an able and candid manner, and makes copious extracts from the same. In this report we find several subjects—questions of Masonic law and usage—treated of in an able manner, and with which we entirely agree, and which we would notice more at length at this place had we not done so in other portions of our report previous to receiving these proceedings. Our proceedings of last year are quoted from at much length. Bro. Fuller understands by the words, "and according to the forms," added as an amendment to the third resolution proposed by the Committee on the Communication of the Grand Consistory, as an authorization of the Lodges in Louisiana "to work in either the York, Scotch or French Rite." We have elsewhere treated at length upon the subjects of "Work" and the "Rites," and would here only remark, that we consider Masonry, as a unit; but one thing, both in principle and action; and that the different Rites are but different names for the same thing, used to designate differences in *organization* in different countries. That the principles, symbols, their explanations, means of recognition and ties, are essentially the same in

all Rites. At least, the Grand Lodge was so informed by those who have a right to know, and with this understanding and belief we voted for the resolutions above referred to. Should any one point out to us a material variation in the "ties which bind us together as Masons," "in the means of recognition," or "in the principles," as practised by the York, Scottish and French Rites, we shall, without hesitation, dissent from any authorization for the practice of those essential differences, and condemn the practice of the Rite which tolerates or insists upon their practice. Though we have received the higher degrees of the Scottish Rite, yet we are—so far as the three symbolic degrees are concerned—of the York Rite; and most firmly believe in its correctness as the ancient and true work, so far as the three degrees are concerned; and, with the other degrees, the Grand Lodge has nothing to do. The Rites, so far as these degrees go, are nothing but the name of the systems in which these degrees are found, and we believe the term "Ancient, Free and Accepted Mason (A. F. and A. M.)" covers them in all.

Should the working of any Rite—so-called—attempt to bring into these degrees, the subject of religion or politics; or fail to teach the importance of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth; the beauties of Faith, Hope and Charity; the necessity of Fortitude, Temperance, Prudence and Justice; or to require all candidates to be of lawful (legal) age, free-born, and of good character; and the other necessary and customary truths, as has always been taught by the York Rite, we should unhesitatingly repudiate any and every such system of working, and cease to regard them as legal Masons, and such, we believe, would be the action of our Grand Lodge.

The proceedings now under review close with an address from Bro. Hanner, D. D., on the Moral History of Masonry. It is able and eloquent, and it was with regret that we felt compelled to lay it aside without making a single extract. These proceedings have but one defect, in common, however, with several others; namely, a failure to contain a list of the members under its jurisdiction. We trust in time to see all Grand Lodges united in this, believing that the benefits would much more than compensate the expense.

## TEXAS.

The proceedings of this Grand Lodge for January, 1858, contain a larger amount of legislation than those of any other Grand Lodge which has come under our notice, but of it we could perceive nothing to be unnecessary. Our only wonder was, how so large a body of men could accomplish so much in so short a space of time. They must have *worked more and talked less*, than we have been accustomed to. Our Texas Brethren are truly working, operative Masons. They are a go-a-head-ative set of brethren, but they go ahead in the right direction. We think their secret is, to commence and carry on everything in order, and all their investigations of all matters before them are done in committee—just where they should be done—and that every long-winded speaker among them gets a hint to keep quiet, till he knows what he is talking about. This practice, we would recommend to the consideration of our own Grand Lodge. We notice another feature which we specially commend to our own Grand Lodge, namely: full reports from the committees on Chartered Lodges. This, we know, has seldom been done, and many things, to our knowledge, has been suffered to pass without even an examination. When have the By-Laws of our Lodges been examined? or even the returns, any more than to note the pencil marks of the Grand Secretary? Everything is so concisely and clearly expressed in these proceedings, from the Grand Master's address, to the minutest report, that we admired and wondered as we turned the leaves of the volume before us. We do not think it our province, however, to notice the various acts in any other manner than to commend, in this general manner, except where we conceive an ancient landmark has been violated, or something seems to call for a special notice or commendation. Of the former, we find nothing in these proceedings; of the latter, we notice a change of the annual communication from January to June, and as this month has passed, we hope to receive the proceedings before we close this report.

But we cannot close until we perform the pleasant service of again tendering to the Grand Lodge of Texas, and the noble band of brothers who compose it, some token of the gratitude we feel in this jurisdiction, for the *efficient* notice they have given to our Relief Lodge. The Committee on Finance reported that they had examined the report of

Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1, showing the amount of \$258, granted to applicants residing within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, (Texas) and would recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*“Resolved, That the sum of \$258 be appropriated to Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1, being the amount expended by said Lodge, for the year 1857, in relief to Masons’ widows and orphans, under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, and that the Grand Secretary be instructed to transmit the same.”*

This resolution was adopted. The Committee on Correspondence reported a similar resolution, and a vote of thanks, to the Relief Lodge. In justice to themselves and to us, they also adopted a resolution, and very properly too, declining to remit any sums expended by the Relief Lodge, for the future, contrary to a provision of their own constitution, which forbids relief being granted out of the charity funds

“To any brother unless he produces evidence of being a member of some regular Lodge, or satisfactorily accounts for the want of it, or shows sufficient reasons for not being a member—of the sufficiency of which the Lodge is the proper judge. Widows and orphans of non-affiliated Masons are, however, not subject to these disabilities imposed upon their husbands and fathers.”

This, we believe, to be a wise provision—have always contended for it—engrafted it in our regulations, and so far as we have had the management of the Relief Lodge, or know of its course, believe it has at least endeavored strictly to adhere to it. To do this, Texas furnishes us the means, in the published list of her members, and our practice has been always to refer to that list, whenever an application has been made to us, as Master of the Relief Lodge.

There was an able report on Correspondence, and review of the proceedings of the various Grand Lodges, and which contains many things we would like to notice; but the order (alphabetical) in which we commenced our review, has caused us to exhaust several of the topics—or, perhaps, ourselves—before we reached the proceedings of Texas, and hence several subjects have been treated under the head of other Grand Lodges, which would, perhaps, more properly have come under the head of the Grand Lodge of Texas. We cannot close this notice, however, without returning thanks to the Grand Lodge,

and the brethren instrumental in furnishing it, for the copy of the republished proceedings of their Grand Lodge, from its commencement, in 1837, and the great pleasure we have had in its examination.

### VERMONT.

This Grand Lodge held its last Communication, of which we have the proceedings at Burlington, on the 13th of January, 1858. A large amount of business was done for a two days' session, and, so far as we are able to see, well done. The address of Grand Master Tucker is one of those able Masonic documents which we have always so much admired as coming from his pen. A goodly portion of it is devoted to the examination of a question of jurisdiction between his Grand Lodge and that of New York, wherein one of the Lodges of the latter had encroached upon that of the former, and was sustained in it by the Grand Lodge of New York. The remarks of Bro. Tucker thereon, as well as his former remarks upon the Canada question, renewed in this address in regard to the "Ancient Grand Lodge of Canada," was what called forth the ire of Bro. King, of New York, and which we have so much deprecated in another place. Without re-reading Grand Master Tucker's address, and well knowing the vigor, *vim*, of his pen, we supposed he had used language which called for his being classed with Bro. King in our deprecatory remarks. On reading these remarks again, however, we find nothing we can condemn, and would, perhaps, have used ourselves stronger language even than Bro. Tucker has done. We should, perhaps, have recalled the remarks we made on this matter in our review of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of New York, but prefer to let them remain with this explanation.

There was, also, an eloquent and appropriate tribute of respect paid to the memory of that veteran Mason and worthy man, Bro. Joshua Doane, who died in the Masonic harness in which he had so zealously labored for more than forty years. His appreciation by his Brethren is shown in the fact that he held important Masonic offices in every body, Grand and Subordinate, of which he was a member.

An able *résumé* of the proceedings of the several Grand Lodges was presented by Bro. William G. Shaw, from the Committee on Correspondence. We, however, find neither in this report, nor in the

proceedings themselves, anything calling for our further special comment. One thing, however, which we clearly gather from the general tone of the reports and addresses, is, that they carefully guard against the too rapid increase both of Lodges and members; and this not only in what they say, but in what they do. The experience of the Masons of Vermont was, indeed, a severe and costly lesson upon this subject, and one which they will not soon forget. May the Masons of other jurisdictions never have occasion to learn at so great a cost the evils of a too rapid increase of membership and of Lodges.

### VIRGINIA.

The last proceedings of this Grand Lodge, received by your committee, are those of the Annual Communication, held on the 14th of December, 1857. We find many things of importance in these proceedings, and shall try to give the notice they deserve, so far as our limits will permit. The opening address of the Grand Master was very concise, stating the business of his office for the year, and calling the attention of the Grand Lodge to such matters as he thought pertained to them to consider, and which will be noticed by us elsewhere. A plan for a Masonic temple, referred to by the Grand Master, was reported on by a Special Committee, and recommended to be erected on the joint stock principle. The only objection to this is, that there is danger of its control getting into the hands of persons outside of the Order. A Special Committee on the purchase of Mount Vernon reported resolutions, highly recommending the project to the Fraternity of that State and the Union, and calling upon each Lodge in its jurisdiction to contribute one dollar for each member for that purpose. A circular has been forwarded us, asking our assistance in raising the \$200,000, which has been agreed upon by the Mount Vernon Association as the price to be paid to Mr. Washington, the proprietor of the estate—the payments being fixed as follows: cash, \$18,000; on the 1st January, 1859, \$57,000; and on the 22d of February of each of the three following years, \$41,666 66, with interest from date. The \$57,000 and the cash payment had already been raised, and possession could be had after thirty days' notice, and the previous payment of the remainder of the price. As a native and citizen of this country, whose freedom was obtained under the leadership of



that one, who, as "Virginia's son became his country's sire," we would contribute as much as any one to secure to all time the last resting place of our eminent Brother; but our feelings revolt at the sacrilege, the miserly feelings displayed by that Mr. Washington, who barter's a country's heart for gold, and, instead of asking and receiving the fair worth of the property, takes advantage of a nation's most sacred feeling to acquire a fortune by getting a hundred times the value of what he sells. Thank God he is no Mason, nor do we envy him his gains thus acquired. The project we cordially recommend to the consideration of the Fraternity in this jurisdiction. Since writing the above, we have received a circular from the Grand Lodge of Virginia, and herewith append. It needs no comment:

GRAND SECRETARY'S OFFICE OF THE GRAND LODGE OF VIRGINIA. }  
RICHMOND, January, A. L. 5859, A. D. 1859. }

**MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BROTHER:** In obedience to a resolution of the M. :  
Wor. : Grand Lodge of Virginia, passed at its late session, in the following words:

"*Resolved*, That the Grand Secretary be directed to issue a circular, calling the  
"attention of the Subordinate Lodges to his circulars of last March and April,  
"upon the subject of the Mount Vernon Masonic Contribution, and urging  
"PROMPT ACTION; and a similar circular to each of the Grand Lodges, asking  
"their immediate coöperation."

I now hasten to the performance of this pleasing duty, and ask your prompt and liberal compliance with the tenors of my circulars of March and April last; and to say, that if any incentive were wanting to promptness and liberality in this TRULY PATRIOTIC, and, therefore, confessedly Masonic act, it is readily to be found in the fact, that we are embarked in this glorious undertaking under the auspices of the Fair Daughters of America, who know no such word as FAIL, when led on by the almost inspired heart of their indomitable leader, a devoted daughter of South Carolina—now no longer a "myth," as "Southern Matron," but a woman, with womanly will to plan, to execute, and to accomplish; and, rest assured, this PIOUS ACT will be consummated, through the indomitable energy of herself and her associates.

Allow me to call your attention further to the following report to the Grand Lodge, at its last session:

**TO THE M. W. GRAND MASTER OF THE GRAND LODGE OF VIRGINIA:** Immediately after the closing of the last Grand Annual Communication, and in obedience to a resolution (to be found on page twenty-eight of printed proceedings) in the fol-

lowing words: "*Resolved*, That it is the desire of the Grand Lodge to coöperate with the Mount Vernon Association for the purchase of Mount Vernon, and that the Grand Secretary be instructed to correspond with the 'Southern Matron,' as the presiding officer of that Association, tendering our services in the common cause, and proposing the joint use of the several funds."—I addressed a letter to the "Southern Matron," then in this city, enclosing said resolution and a copy of all the proceedings connected therewith. To this, I received from that highly gifted and most excellent lady the most hearty and cheerful acceptance of our proffered aid, in a letter herewith enclosed, and from time to time had many very interesting interviews with her, at her request, upon this, to her, all-absorbing subject.

The question of the purchase of Mount Vernon by the State of Virginia, was then pending in the Legislature of Virginia, the only party (Congress having declined the purchase) to whom, up to that time, the proprietor, Mr. Washington, would sell. The Legislature declined the purchase also, and immediately thereafter the Ladies' Mount Vernon Association, through their inestimable "Southern Matron," applied for and obtained an act of incorporation, a copy of which is herewith enclosed, authorizing and empowering them to purchase and hold, for the purposes therein set forth, the blessed spot of earth which contains the sainted remains of our immortal Brother, and very prudently, though utterly unnecessarily, provided, that should the Association ever become extinct, the lands and improvements should be vested in the State of Virginia.

At this time, I addressed a circular, also, in obedience to the orders of the Grand Lodge, containing a copy of the resolutions and preamble of Richmond Lodge, No. 10, and the action of this Grand Lodge thereon, to each Grand Lodge in the United States, and in a short preface requested their coöperation in this most patriotic suggestion. To these I received many cheering and congratulatory responses.

But now the indomitable perseverance of this noble lady was taxed to its utmost extent, to induce Mr. Washington to reconsider his ultimatum, and to consent to sell to this corporation, embracing the ladies of the whole United States. What heart could withstand the eloquent appeals of this gifted woman? What man could turn his back to a prayer so pure, so disinterested, as that sustained by such appeals, and based, confessedly and palpably, upon the holiest emotions of the human soul—reverence for virtue and gratitude for services?

Thus fortified, she knew no such word as fail. Mr. Washington yielded his objections, and on the sixth of April in this year, conveyed to Miss Ann Pamela Cunningham the Mount Vernon homestead, grave-yard, and two hundred acres of land, for two hundred thousand dollars. Miss Cunningham, now no longer a myth, having attached her signature and seal to the instrument of conveyance, realizes, with heart-felt anxiety, her true position and relation to the noble undertaking, to which, while as "Southern Matron," the whole energies of her life had been devoted, both physical and mental.

The Grand Lodge of Virginia having pledged her their hearty coöperation in the successful accomplishment of her most cherished object, I deemed it necessary, and accordingly issued a second circular (a copy of which is herewith enclosed) to all the Grand Lodges in the United States, and to each Subordinate Lodge under this Grand jurisdiction, urging them to aid in this most patriotic undertaking, and giving a copy of the act of incorporation and a schedule of the terms of payment for the purchase.

With highly commendable promptness and liberality, Smithfield Union Lodge, No. 18, Henry Clay Lodge, No. 165, and Natural Bridge Lodge, No. 64, responded, and sent up their contributions, amounting to fifty-one dollars, with the requested list of contributors. All will, no doubt, act in due time.

I have received communications from every Grand Lodge which has held a session since the date of my last circular—from Indiana, New Hampshire, Missouri, Maryland, South Carolina, California, New York, Maine, Wisconsin, Kentucky, Minnesota, Massachusetts, District of Columbia, Louisiana, and Ohio—and the cheerful promise of full coöperation by each of them where the subject is understood.

I deeply regret that our highly esteemed sister Grand Lodges of Indiana and Kentucky, seem to have acted under the impression that the purchase was being made for the benefit of Virginia, while a moment's reference to the words of the charter, would satisfy them that the contingency upon which Virginia is ever to become the proprietor, is BARELY A POSSIBLE ONE, namely, the entire extinction of the Association; and that even then and in that event, Virginia is bound to keep and preserve it as a national property—a common enshrined Mecca.

From many of the Grand Lodges, the assurances of cordial coöperation are cheering and delightful; and I would now venture to suggest that a circular be issued, requesting immediate action on the part of our Subordinates. The absolute possession of Mount Vernon by the "Ladies' Mount Vernon Association," is now a fixed fact. They have anticipated and paid the fifty-seven thousand dollars due the first of January, and have no more to pay by contract until February, 1860. Thus, in seven months, they have paid, and have in hand, nearly one-half the purchase money; and their indomitable energies know no relaxation. Let us, then, at once, as Masons and Patriots, rush to their aid, and by the twenty-second day of February next, pour into their treasury the entire balance; and let the two hundred thousand Masons of this happy country, each—by the trivial sum of one dollar—become to that amount an OWNER—yes, Oh! sweet and glorious word, *owner!*—of the tomb and grave of the great, the incomparable Washington. Nay, M. Wor. Brother, the time is near at hand, when, to secure this blessed birthright, this inestimable privilege, will be beyond our reach; for, remember, it ends with the payment of the purchase money.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN DOVE, Grand Secretary.

The time has come now, Most Worshipful Brother, for ACTION, PROMPT, DECIDED, EFFICIENT AND LIBERAL ACTION. Let no Mason in your jurisdiction, affiliated or not, be neglected, but apply to all; and, if possible, let me hear from you between this and the twenty-second of February next. For, let it be remembered and widely promulgated, that on that auspicious day, it is proposed (if possible) to consummate the purchase, and take formal possession of the hallowed spot; after which, millions could not purchase a fee simple in the grounds.

Yes—let us press forward to the aid of these glorious women; and, as Patriot Masons, by this noble act of free-will gratitude, commemorate for all time the blessed day which gave to the Temple of American Liberty its Grand High Priest, and to the world the gallant defender of the equal rights of man, in the person of our BROTHER!

In order to avoid all errors, your correspondence and remittances will appear in the *Enquirer*, as between Mrs. Anna Cora Ritchie, the Vice-Regent of Virginia, and myself.

Very respectfully, yours,

JOHN DOVE, G. S.

"The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence" reported on several questions and resolutions which had been submitted to them: the first of which was on the subject of uniformity of work. They say they know of no better way of effecting it than "by the employment of an authorized Grand Lecturer, and 'disseminating the true principles of Freemasonry,' by the visits of the D. D. Grand Masters." If they had added, and by such other course of reading and study as would be in the power of any one to obtain, we would have heartily concurred. They say they are "not quite of the same mind as to 'uniformity of work,' with many of our Brethren. To think that a time will ever arrive when any two Masons shall have no differences of 'ands' and 'ifs,' 'nots' and 'buts,' in their giving degrees, is simply Utopian." It will be seen the opinions of your committee, very fully expressed elsewhere, here meets with decided support, and we are now the more sure of the correctness of our position after this approval. We believe, and have so expressed it, that "the dissemination of the true *principles* of Masonry," is the first, second, and, we had almost said, the only and last requisite towards securing uniformity in work."

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence made a report, in the conclusion of which they say:

"That much difference of opinion prevails among the Foreign Correspondence Committees of the various Grand Lodges; some seem to think the original object

for which they were instituted has been altogether lost sight of, and decline making any report whatever; some present a report, which is not even read by the Grand Lodge in whose name it is written, and therefore can only be looked upon as the opinion of the committee, not that of the Grand Lodge; some appear to allow themselves to be carried away by argument, until acrimony takes the place of Brotherly kindness. A few—we might say, not a few—seem to us to trench upon what is 'not proper to be written;' and, finally, there are some, who, in a quiet and temperate manner, review the proceedings of the various jurisdictions with whom they are in correspondence, pointing out what they consider worthy of notice, calmly arguing against what they conceive to be wrong, and adding strength to what they believe to be in accordance with the true principles of Masonry."

We need hardly add that the committee believed the last practice, named above, to be "productive of the best effects", nor that your committee disagree with them in *sentiment*, whatever our practice may have been. We do not pretend to perfection, and, though we firmly believe—indeed, it is a cardinal principle of our philosophy—that all men of sound, well informed minds, must agree upon all questions of abstract right; yet, when we attempt to put those theories of abstract right into practice, we ever fall short of our ideal. We feel sensible we may have done so—frequently, perhaps, in various portions of this report—yet our Brethren, in true Masonic charity, will believe us when we say it was from the head, not the heart.

In commenting upon the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of California, the Committee take decided ground against "Investigating Committees," as a "pernicious practice," an invasion of "the sanctity of the ballot box and introducing discord into the Lodge," and, as a permanent thing, not warranted by ancient usage. We cannot agree to a single one of the premises above given as reasons, and, of course, not to the conclusion. Our investigation, experience and reflection gives the negative to each proposition. We, who have ever practiced it, never yet saw the least discord result from the practice, not in a single instance out of a thousand; and, though "each member should consider himself a committee to inquire into the character of the applicant," and this we always have enjoined; yet, where the duty is also specially devolved upon a selected few, who are considered in a measure responsible, much good will often result. On the contrary, where it is left to the whole Lodge, you will find a self-constituted committee,

who, composed of friends of the petition, will make a favorable verbal report to the others of the Lodge, and unworthy members may thus be admitted.

In regard to the rights of Masters and the "prescriptive rights" of Grand Masters, we have expressed ourselves elsewhere, and can here only state that we differ somewhat from the opinion of our Virginia Brethren on the committee. In regard to the nature of Lodges U. D., we, on the other hand, agree with them, as will be seen from another portion of this report.

The action of Texas—declaring "that a belief in the divine authenticity of the Holy Scriptures, is an indispensable prerequisite to Masonic admission," and, at the same time, declaring that it does not intend "to exclude the Israelite"—meets with their disapproval, as it has already met with ours; and though we have treated this matter at some length previously in this report, the sentiments of the Virginia Committee are so appropriate, and, to our minds, conclusive, we cannot refrain from quoting. Though they

"Firmly believe that the day will come when the Bible will be recognized as the revealed will of Jehovah, all over the earth,"—

yet, they

"Deny, most unequivocally, that to promote this consummation is in any way one of the objects of our Fraternity. In the words of the Ritual, it (Masonry) is so far interwoven with religion, as to lay us under obligation to pay that homage to the Deity, that at once constitutes our duty and happiness. *So far*, be it remembered, but no farther."

The inconsistency of admitting the Israelite so graciously, and yet retaining the New Testament as a part of the Holy Scriptures, is next pointed out; and they conclude, very forcibly, as follows:

"We are opposed to the introduction of any new test of the qualifications of a candidate for Masonry; particularly, if—as in the present instance—it strikes at the root of one of its noblest features, viz.: its universality. Not an argument advanced by our respected Brethren of Texas, that might not, with a change of names, be used by the Turk, Chinese, or Red Indian, in favor of his particular creed. To sum up all—as we believe the importance of this subject has carried

us to an inordinate length—we hope never to hear more required of a candidate on this head, than that he should express his trust in that

‘Father of all, in every age,  
In every clime adored,  
By Saint, by Savage, and by Sage.  
Jehovah, Jove, or Lord.’”

In confirmation of these views, and as showing that they are not of modern origin, we quote from the republication of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Ohio, for 1843; being a portion of the report to that Grand Lodge upon the subject, made by the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, of which M. W. Bro. Hubbard was Chairman; and which is in strong contrast with the present views of some of the members of that Grand Lodge:

“Your committee had always believed that Masonry in its wisdom and purity, its beauty and strength, was elevated far above the petty strifes of sectarianism, and beyond the reach of vulgar and malignant prejudice; that the foundations of its glorious temple rested upon the eternal rock of Truth; that it ascended to the heights of the starry heavens. \* \* \* \* We had thought that Masonry extended to every clime, and embraced within its ample bounds men of every nation, sect, name and denomination, who acknowledged, and with holy reverence bowed to that Almighty Being to whom the temple of Masonry was first, and ever has been dedicated. We had thought that to be faithful, just and true—to be upright, honorable and sincere, were the requisites of Masonry. We had thought that the want of these qualities, with others particularly known to Masons, were the defects which excluded men from partaking in our mystic Rites.”

Resolutions were prepared by the Committee, and adopted, highly approving the action and objects of the Universal Masonic Congress; of which, however, more, directly. The Committee are opposed to the recognition of the Grand Lodge of Canada; but this subject calls for no further comment. They seem, likewise, to have a poor appreciation of Masonic newspapers and periodicals, and Masonic literature in general. While much may, with justice, be said against the conduct of Masonic newspapers—especially as often containing things improper to be written; yet, we can hardly conceive how the the *true principles* of Freemasonry can, with much effect, be otherwise disseminated. A species of censorship of the press (Masonic) might be, and is, in fact,

instituted, as, for instance, the action of our Virginia Brethren, which would, in a great measure, correct the evils complained of, while the good would still remain.

### WISCONSIN.

We have the proceedings of this Grand Lodge for June, 1858. They indicate a high state of prosperity in that jurisdiction. A resolution was adopted requiring Lodges working in other languages than the English, to, nevertheless, keep their minutes in English. This is excellent, and a sure preventative of gross constitutional blunders, and might, we think, be adopted in this jurisdiction with decided advantage. Of the legislation, we notice nothing to complain. In an appendix, is printed the Constitution (?) of the Grand Lodge, which, according to our definition of "constitution," viz: "fundamental law"—is much more than should be embraced in a constitution—it, in fact, embracing most of the *legislation* of the Grand Lodge and, instead of being a constitution, is a *code*.

A name long familiar to us, no longer appears among the list of Grand Officers. Wm. R. Smith, the Grand Secretary since 1846, with the exception of the two years he served as Grand Master, declines a further election and retires to the ranks.

The address of the Grand Master and reports of committees are quite commendable in spirit, but exhibit no new phases requiring comment from us. Our proceedings are quite favorably noticed.

### PROV. GRAND LODGE OF AUSTRALIA.

From this body we have received a circular containing "a list of the Provincial Grand Officers for the year ending December 27, 1858, together with the officers and members of all Craft Lodges in Victoria, Australia, under the jurisdiction of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Ireland."

This account shows the existence of four Lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge, with a membership of one hundred and fifty-one.



## GRAND LODGE OF IRELAND.

We have also a circular from this Grand Lodge, giving a list of Grand Officers for the year commencing 24th June, 1857, together with the officers of the several Provincial Grand Lodges in different portions of Ireland, and the several accounts current. In a special notice we learn

"A compact has been entered into between the Grand Lodge of Ireland, the Grand Royal Arch Chapter, the Grand Encampment of High Knights Templars, and the Supreme Grand Council of Rites for Ireland, by which it is agreed that any Brother excluded, suspended, or restored to the rights of Masonry, by one of the contracting parties, shall, on the case being officially communicated to the others, be by them severally excluded, suspended or restored, as the case may be, without any further inquiry or investigation."

This is not in accordance with our present practice. Exclusion from a body of lower degree or rank, excludes from all above; but the action of exclusion, etc., from the higher, does not operate upon those below.

## TURKEY.

We have received a communication from Smyrna, dated September 3d, 1857, and which was in explanation of a Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Turkey, also copies of the By-Laws of two Lodges—Ionia No. 1, and Bizanzio, No. 3—notifying us of the fact of the formation of a Grand Lodge in that far off country, and asking our countenance and support. We find nothing irregular or out of the way in the Constitution and By-Laws before us, and, though we have none of the particulars of the proceedings had at the formation of this Grand Lodge, yet we are disposed to recognize their existence as such, and we freely recommend that the right hand of fellowship be extended to them. Did we feel disposed to be captious about trifles, as our New York Brethren did about the organization of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, because it did not appear that Bro. Buck, who installed the Grand Master, was a Past Grand Master, we might recommend that we wait till all this could be ascertained. We do not know, nor does your committee care, (for they deem it entirely unessential),

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whether the Grand Master of Turkey was installed by a Present or Past Grand Master, or even a Past Master. To our Brethren in Turkey we say we do most sincerely hope you may "be enabled to promote, especially in that part of the world, the diffusion of true knowledge and wisdom, and be the means of reviving that Masonic light, which once shown so gloriously in the East."

### FRANCE.

We have been favored with the Masonic Calendar of the Grand Orient of France, Supreme Council for France and the French possessions, for the year 1858. In this is to be found extracts of the principal portions of its General Regulations, Members of the Grand Orient, and the Chief Dignitaries of the Order. It also contains a list of all the Lodges holding under the Grand Orient, with the principal officers of each, and such Foreign Grand Bodies as it recognizes, and with which it was in correspondence. In the United States we find the following :

Grand Lodges of the District of Columbia, California, North Carolina, Georgia, Louisiana, New York, Maryland, Michigan, Mississippi, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Vermont, Virginia, Texas, and the Supreme Council for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States at Charleston, South Carolina, the representative of which latter body, recognized as residing near the Grand Orient, is Bro. Beugnot; Bro. Razy has the same honor for the Grand Lodge of New York.

As an indication of the sentiments entertained by the Grand Orient towards this Grand Lodge, and the manner in which they regard the chief of malcontents among us, we here annex the letter of the Grand Orient to Mr. Foulhouze, as also clearly exhibiting the light in which that illustrious body regards his acts in this jurisdiction :

No. 6047—GRAND ORIENT OF FRANCE—SUPREME COUNCIL FOR  
FRANCE AND THE FRENCH POSSESSIONS.

TO THE GLORY OF THE GRAND ARCHITECT OF THE UNIVERSE. }  
EAST OF PARIS, August 4th, 1858, V. V. E. E. }

To Ill. Bro. Foulhouze, 33d, New Orleans.

Ill. Bro.—We forward you herein enclosed the copy of a DECREE which ESTABLISHES friendly relations between the Supreme Council at Charleston and the Grand Orient of France.

Said Decree IMPLIES THE ACKNOWLEDGMENT, by the Grand Orient, of the validity of the *Concordat* which took place in February, 1855, between that Supreme Council and the late Supreme Council at New Orleans. It implies also the OFFICIAL acknowledgment, by the Grand Orient of France, of the Supreme Council at Charleston, as THE SUPREME, constituting and governing AUTHORITY of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America; which acknowledgment is, besides, MOST EXPLICITLY set forth by DECISIONS of the Grand College of Rites, inserted in SEVERAL official Documents and VERY PARTICULARLY in its BOOK OF GOLD.

To apprise you of these decisions, Ill. Bro., is to secure your assistance in causing them to be respected, if it were necessary; and it is under this impression that the Grand College of Rites of the Grand Orient of France, from which YOU OBTAINED your grade as a Sovereign Grand Inspector General, and to which you have sworn obedience and fealty, has ordered that this communication be made to you.

The Grand Orient of France has learned with sorrow that you have attempted, of your own authority, to constitute yourself as the centre of a new Masonic power. This attempt, which could only result in weakening the respect due to the principle of authority, and in alarming and confusing the minds of the Masons of all Jurisdictions, and especially of those hailing from the Jurisdiction of the Supreme Council at Charleston, has also for its immediate consequence, a tendency TO DISCREDIT Masonry in the eyes of the profane world by causing it to witness intestine broils and dissensions, which, being in direct opposition to its professed Doctrine, are essentially fatal to its propagation.

The Grand Orient of France cannot abstain from BLAMING YOUR CONDUCT; it trusts that it will have been enough to recall to your mind the observation of the Masonic law to which you have SWORN allegiance, and that you will cease to follow a path full of dangers and snares, and in which the enemies of our Order are so pleased to see you engaged.

Wherefore, it invites you TO DISSOLVE IMMEDIATELY any organization which you may have formed, to apprise each of the members thereof of his state of irregularity which closes to him the doors of ALL OUR TEMPLES and FORTHWITH TO RETURN to the bosom of the ONLY Power which can LEGALLY exist for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States; and it doubts not that your Masonic LOYALTY will cause you immediately to obey these just injunctions.

Should the contrary happen, Ill. Bro., and if by a CULPABLE OBSTINACY, you should persist in the line of conduct which you have for some time followed, the Grand Orient of France will feel compelled TO CONDEMN your disobedience PUBLICLY and to notify your FORFEITURE to all the Masonic powers of the Globe, it being beforehand certain of meeting with a signal approbation in the opinion of all Masons in both hemispheres.

It is, Ill. Bro., with the hope that a prompt answer to the present communication will convey us the assurance of a true repentance and a formal renunciation

*of pretensions so palpably contrary to Masonic right and to the general interest of the Order, that we address you our fraternal salutations.*

By order of the Grand Orient of France,

The Grand Officer of Honor of the Order,

[L. s.]

Entrusted with the Correspondence,

E. REXÈS, 33d.

Scaled and recorded,

For the Chief of the Secretariat General of the Order,

The First Clerk,

[L. s.]

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## THE NATIONAL GRAND LODGE.

We have received a circular from the Grand Lodge of Maine, requesting the appointment of delegates to meet those appointed by other Grand Lodges, at Chicago, in September next, to take steps for the formation of a National Grand Lodge. This solicitation from our Brethren in Maine has been declined by several Grand Lodges, while others have laid the matter over for future consideration. Our Grand Lodge has, of late years, declined having anything to do with this matter, though formerly it had expressed a willingness to unite in such an undertaking, and even went so far, in its Constitution of 1850, as to expressly authorize the formation of such a body as a National Grand Lodge. The matter comes before us in such a shape that we deem it our duty to bring it before you, that some definite action may be taken, and an expression of opinion be given, either for or against the project.

To the formation of a National Grand Lodge, as many understand it, we are opposed; yet we can conceive many advantages which would result from its formation under certain conditions, and, as we understand, such a body should be, and very few, if any disadvantages. A National Grand Lodge, as the Supreme head of the Order in this country, possessing equal and similar powers over the several Grand Lodges and the Fraternity generally, would never do, as it would take away from the Grand Lodges the sovereignty which now exists in them, and through them the sovereignty existing in the Subordinate Lodges and the Craft in general. This is the kind of a National Grand Lodge to which we are opposed; but to the formation

of a Society composed of, say the four highest officers of Grand Lodges, who should meet at least triennially, for the purpose of exchanging opinions and recommending to the Craft throughout the world such ideas as might be deemed best by them, after due consideration, would, we conceive, be of decided benefit to the interest of the Order. We know of no other way in which an uniformity of work and the principles of action can ever be obtained in the United States. Let each Grand Lodge, having established, as near as may be, what all are now strenuously endeavoring to do, a uniformity in work, lectures and system of government for their various Lodges, meet, say once in three years, through their chief officers in convention, compare their various modes of work and lectures, and interchange ideas upon all that may interest the Fraternity, express in resolutions what may be written of their conclusions, and, when these delegates return home, communicate, as they would most assuredly do, to their constituents, such things as had been learned or agreed upon, which could not be written; and we feel certain there would in time result that uniformity, after which now so many vainly strive, and that unanimity of feeling and sentiment, that Brotherly Love and concert of action, which could but redound to the true advancement of our beloved Order. There is no need of any legislative powers being vested in such a National Body, except such as would be necessary for its own individual government. It would be more in the nature of a Convention, to take into consideration the wants of the Order throughout the land, with the power to recommend; and whose recommendations would, indeed, become law only from being founded in truth, and meeting the approval of the Grand Lodges of the world. We have seen the benefit of this social converse and interchange of opinion in other bodies, similar to the one proposed—ten times outweighing the expense, which actually would be trifling; and which would have been ten times the more valuable, had the time of these bodies been exclusively devoted to the real wants and interests of the Order, instead of being wasted in needless or ill-digested legislation for others. We say, then, that we are decidedly in favor of the formation of a National Grand Body of Masons, in which our chief officers may meet others of similar rank from our sister Grand Lodges, and there consult with them upon the questions of work, etc., and report the result of their consultations to our own Grand Lodge. We would then know, with

some certainty, what was actually going on in other jurisdictions, and could act in reference thereto, by the advice of our delegates. All the evils complained of by those who object to the formation of a National Grand Lodge, would not exist in a body thus formed; and every good expected by its advocates, be attained; while the expense would be trivial. We know our Brethren in Maine and elsewhere desire to meet the representatives of all our Grand Lodges in social communion, and to feel that firm grasp which one Brother gives to another; and we are with them in this, heart and soul—knowing that thereby our vast Fraternity would be more indissolubly cemented, and that the throb of true Masonry would beat in every heart as in one.

Since writing the above, we have received the plan of M. W. Bro. A. T. C. Pierson, in relation to a National Masonic Congress, and beg leave to offer it—with his remarks thereon—entire; and recommend that the plan be adopted. It meets our views exactly, as we have endeavored to express them in the foregoing; and if it should never be carried into effect, most assuredly, no harm can ensue from the attempt.

“In all these years, but two plans have been proposed :

“1—A General Grand Lodge, a Supreme Grand Lodge, or a Grand Masonic Convention, to be composed of Delegates from Grand Lodges, to meet each year, or every second or third year, or as often as circumstances should require, to have general supervision over the Work and Lectures; decide questions of Masonic jurisprudence; to settle differences between different Grand Lodges; between Grand Lodges and their Subordinates; to grant Charters for Lodges in States or Territories where no Grand Lodge existed, and to be the medium of communication with Grand Lodges in foreign countries.

“2—A National Confederation of Grand Lodges, which proposed to submit any difficulties that might arise between two or more Grand Lodges, or between a Grand Lodge and its Subordinates, if of a revolutionary character, to the decisions of the Grand Lodge parties to the confederacy; the concurrent decision of sixteen of them should be binding upon all.

“The second proposition was reviewed so fully and ably by my predecessor in his address on the opening of the Grand Lodge in 1856, that it is unnecessary for me further to allude to it.

“The objections to the first proposition appear to be—

“1—To the name, General, or Supreme Grand Lodge, that it carries with it the idea of State Grand Lodge inferiority.

"2—Expense in attending its meetings, circulating its proceedings, etc.

"3—That it would lessen the Sovereignty of the Grand Lodge, by creating an absolute and supreme head.

"4—It would create a great central power that would be looked to by every restless spirit, through which imaginary wrongs might be vindicated, and by whose instrumentality strife and discord could be easily engendered between the State Grand Lodges and any of its own created Lodges.

"5—It would be dangerous, because it might abuse the powers intrusted to it.

"6—Unnecessary, Inexpedient, Utopian, Innovation, etc., etc.

"It is urged by the friends of the measure, that there exists a necessity for such a body to—

"1—Systematize the Work, and produce Uniformity.

"2—Settle differences between Grand Lodges.

"3—It could speak with a potential voice, as no State Grand Lodge could do, to arrest innovations in the body of Masonry, and still the voice of discord.

"4—Settle or determine permanently questions of General Masonic Law or Jurisprudence.

"5—Promote Unity by extending Masonic acquaintance.

"6—Complete the Masonic Organization, etc.

"I have thus laid before you a summary of all the action had upon this important subject, found in the published proceedings from 1780 until the present time.

"I believe that much good would be accomplished by an organization of a general character, nay, that such an organization is demanded from the necessity of the times. There are many questions of a general character which should be permanently settled, as, for instance :

#### "1. JURISDICTION OF GRAND LODGES.

"Complaints are constantly arising of border Lodges initiating parties residing in another jurisdiction. The chief difficulty in such cases is caused by the fact that such parties could not be made at home. Some measure should be contrived to prevent such action—if not prevented, to punish. *The turning over of the fee does not unmake the objectionable man.*

#### "2. OPERATION OF SUSPENSION FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

"A suspended Mason should be treated as such everywhere, without reference to the cause of suspension. His own Grand Lodge is the only tribunal where that can be re-examined. Suspension amounts to nothing if he can visit or adjoin a Lodge in another jurisdiction.

"3. A GENERAL FORM FOR WHAT IS TERMED A DEMIT, AND GENERAL REGULATIONS AS TO HOW MEMBERSHIP SHOULD CEASE.

#### "4. PHYSICAL REQUISITES OF CANDIDATES.

"Some Grand Lodges permit parties to be made, no matter what the deformity, 'so long as they can do all the work required;' others require a 'perfect man.'

"5. RIGHTS OF APPEAL FROM THE DECISION OF THE GRAND MASTER.

"6. GENERAL RULES AS TO NON-AFFILIATED MASONS.

"7. JURISDICTION OF A SUBORDINATE LODGE OVER A SOJOURNING BROTHER, A MEMBER OF A LODGE IN ANOTHER JURISDICTION.

"8. AS TO NEW TESTS OR REQUIRMENTS OF CANDIDATES FOR OUR MYSTERIES.

"These questions, it is true, have been discussed by Grand Masters and Committees on Foreign Correspondence time and again. Grand Lodges have taken action, but their action differs. I regard all these questions (except, perhaps, the fifth), as particularly important, and they require to settle them a body authorized so to do. Now, while peace and harmony reign triumphant in every Grand Lodge in the United States, now is the time to take measures to insure that glorious state of things.

"This subject has engaged the attention of so many wise and distinguished Masons for so many years, it would be the height of vanity for me to suppose that I could propose a plan that would meet the views of all the Grand Lodges; but I may venture to make a proposition differing somewhat from those heretofore made, and which may serve as a basis; and hence the following:

"In order to form a more intimate and perfect union, and insure harmony among the Grand Lodges; that questions of Masonic Law and Jurisprudence may be permanently decided; that other questions of general interest, which have been long agitated by Masons may be set at rest, and for the general advantage of Masonry, we ordain and establish this Constitution for the Confederate Grand Lodge:

"ARTICLE I. A Confederation of Grand Lodges in the United States is hereby established, to be styled 'A Congress of Free and Accepted Masons.'

"ART. II. This Congress shall consist of one (or three) representatives from each Grand Lodge; representatives to be selected as the Grand Lodges, parties to this instrument, may determine.

"ART. III. The officers shall be a President, Vice-President and Secretary, who shall be elected at each session—the duties of the two former to cease at the close of each session; the Secretary to remain in office for the purpose of conducting correspondence and receiving reports to be presented at the next session.

"ART. IV. Meetings shall be held triennially, at such time and place as may be designated by the General Grand Bodies for their meetings.

"ART. V. Special meetings may be had upon the concurrent call of three Grand Lodges, parties to the Congress.

"ART. VI. The representatives of a majority of the Grand Lodges confederated shall be necessary to form a quorum.

"ART. VII. The Congress shall neither possess or exercise any powers not expressly delegated to it, and shall be subject to the general regulations and usages of Ancient Freemasonry, as practiced by the Grand Lodges of the United States.

"ART. VIII. The Congress shall have jurisdiction over all differences that may arise between two Grand Lodges recognizing its authority, and it shall take cog-



nizance of any and all such differences on the written complaint of either of the parties at variance. Its decisions shall be final and binding.

"ART. IX. It may take cognizance of all cases of difference mutually referred to it by any Grand Lodges not parties to this Constitution. Provided, said Grand Lodges shall have previously agreed to abide by its decision, and not otherwise.

"ART. X. It shall have authority to determine all questions of Masonic law or jurisprudence; and also all questions of a general character, the determination of which would not interfere with the sovereignty of Grand Lodges.

"ART. XI. It may advise with reference to the work of Craft Masonry, to the end that uniformity may be had in ceremony, and, if possible, in language, by the Confederated Grand Lodges; but shall have no power to order the adoption of any system of work.

"ART. XII. The expenses of the delegates shall be borne by the Grand Lodges of which they are the representatives.

"ART. XIII. Such other expenses as may be incurred by authority of the Congress shall be borne by the Grand Lodges parties thereto, being equally divided between them.

"ART. IV. The ratification of these Articles by five Grand Lodges shall be sufficient for the organization of the Congress.

"ART. XV. No change in these Articles shall be made without the unanimous consent of the Grand Lodges parties thereto.

"ART. XVI. Any Grand Lodge may become a member of this Confederation by adopting the above Articles.

"ART. XVII. Any Grand Lodge may withdraw from the Confederation at any time; giving notice to the Secretary.

"I thus present you a crude plan of organization. It avoids many of the difficulties, and obviates the objections that have been urged against a General Grand Lodge.

"1—The name carries with it perfect equality.

"2—No new offices with high sounding titles are created, 'no elevated seats are created.' (*Con.* 1849.)

"3—Its powers are limited and defined, and can be understood by every one who reads the Articles.

"4—No powers can be usurped. (*See Art.* 15.)

"5—No great central power is created. (*See Va.* 1847.)

"6—Sovereignty of Grand Lodges is not interfered with. (*See Tex.* 1850.)

"7—It has no power to charter Lodges, or hear complaints from individual Lodges or Brethren.

"8—It has no revenue to become a bone of contention.

"9—Holding its sessions at the same time and place with the General Grand Bodies, the delegates to those bodies would frequently be chosen the representatives to the Congress, and thus the expenses of representatives would be trifling.

The expenses of postage, publication of proceedings, etc., would not amount to ten dollars per year each to the Grand Lodges parties to the confederacy.

"10—It would have all the advantages that have been claimed for a General Grand Lodge.

"11—It might arrange a system of work that would be uniform, and which would be adopted by each Grand Lodge."

## UNIVERSAL MASONIC CONGRESS.

As properly following the preceding (the formation of a National Grand Lodge), the proceedings of the Masonic Congress held at Paris in 1856, and the matters growing out of it, properly claims your attention. Heretofore, you have, through the reports of the two Committees preceding this, learned something of its action; indeed, at your last Communication, the ten resolutions passed by that Congress were included in the Report of your Committee on Correspondence. Since your last Annual Communication, we have received a circular from Bro. John Dove, of Richmond, Va., a "Member of the Permanent Committee for U. S. A."—appointed under the fourth resolution of the series—calling your attention to the action of that Congress. This letter, which contains the ten resolutions, and the remarks of Bro. Dove thereon, is as follows :

OFFICE OF THE G. SECRETARY OF THE G. L. OF VIRGINIA, AND  
MEMBER OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE OF THE UNIVERSAL CONGRESS, }  
RICHMOND, VA., April, A.D. 1858, A. L. 5858.

**M. WOR. SIR AND BROTHER:** The time has now arrived when the Grand Lodges of the United States, having had the proceedings of the Masonic Congress at Paris before them for two years, should speak out in approval or otherwise of those resolutions which embody their deliberations. To the efficient and zealous agency of our talented Brothers Dinwiddie B. Phillips, of Virginia, and Parker Cummings, of the District of Columbia, we are greatly indebted for the enactment of most of the ten Resolutions adopted by that august body, and now submitted for the ratification of the Grand Lodges of the world. Indeed, if they had closed their labors after passing the fifth proposition, they would have been entitled to the highest commendations in our power to bestow. The noble stand taken by Brother the Count Donoughmore of Ireland, and the effective speeches of our American Brothers prove the high estimation in which they held their mission; and when, in this connection, we take an impartial view of the truly Masonic manner in which they were received by Brother Heullant, Deputy Grand Master of France, and Brother Rosenthall, the Representative of the Netherlands, we

cannot too highly estimate the laudable zeal of the former, and the high-toned Masonic spirit of concession of the latter.

I invite, then, M. Wor. Brother, an attentive perusal of the Ten Propositions, as submitted for your action, by the Universal Congress, and my arguments appended in support of them:

- 1st. "This Congress will only submit such measures—few in number—as bear  
 "the character of evident utility; are clearly defined; and in all cases  
 "*manifest the greatest respect for the accepted and internal customs of each*  
 "*country.*"

This resolution seems, from its rich and high-toned Masonic character, to have been adopted in accordance with the opening address of the M. W. Grand Master Prince Lucien Murat, and presents the relative duties of the representatives of foreign jurisdictions, each to the other, for the good of the whole, when assembled for consultation and combined action; and is utterly at war with the Machiavelian policy of introducing the groveling arts of diplomacy. The simple, but truly beautiful words in which this Congress thus gave expression to their appreciation of the high Masonic mission with which they were charged, must at once convince every one of their entire fitness for the responsible duty confided to them; and they were, indeed, fortunate in being thus animated and sustained by the liberal and enlightened views of their presiding officer.

- 2d. "It is proposed to all the Grand Lodges on the Globe, that no Diploma shall  
 "be given to a brother who has not attained the degree of Master Mason."

This being already the law, or entirely general usage in the United States of America, we might suppose it to have been unnecessary, or at least expletive, to enact it as a law at this late date. Its Masonic propriety is, however, too apparent for any comment; and seems only to announce the fact, that a contrary usage prevails in some of the other Grand Lodges of the world, and, therefore, rendered absolutely necessary as the *basis* of a series of Resolutions calculated and intended to operate alike in both hemispheres.

- 3d. "The adoption of a standard form of Diploma is proposed to all Masonic  
 "authorities. The Diploma to be in Latin, with a translation in the national  
 "language; and to have also a testamentary formula, setting forth the desire  
 "of the recipient that, after his death, it may be returned to the Lodge from  
 "whence it emanated."

This resolution is drawn simply in obedience to those words of the Constitution of Masonry, which say, in Chap. I, Sec. 4: "There is no excellence without its opposite, and no true coin without its counterfeit." And looking to ancient schisms of the Fraternity in the Old World, and the present rife spirit of schism

and rebellion in the New, we are at once forcibly impressed with the importance of duly protecting the lovers of law and order from the impositions of their counterfeits. It is, however, greatly to be regretted that this Congress did not embody in this proposition the form of said Diploma. The self-evident propriety of the measure would, before this time, have led to its adoption throughout the Masonic Family, and the large number of traveling impostors and mendicants, which infest this section of the Fraternity, been exposed and punished. We would also suggest, that instead of the testamentary clause, requiring the surrender of the Diploma, it should so read as to require the return of it to the Grand Secretary, from whence it was issued, to have endorsed thereon the time and place of the death of the Brother, and thus attested, to be returned to his widow or orphan, to be by them preserved as evidence of their claim to protection and succor in the hours of adversity or want. Such an appropriate endorsement would render it utterly useless to any Brother desiring to use it as a passport to Masonic favor, and would go farther to suppress the so-called Adoptive Masonry or Androgenine Degrees, than all the legislation upon the subject can effect, the most specious and plausible reason for the propagation of these degrees being the necessity for some mode of recognition of the claims of these persons to the Charities of our Institution. The propriety of engrossing the standard formula in that proud monument of Roman greatness, the Latin language, will not be questioned by any one at this day, when it is remembered that it is the language which is now being taught in all seminaries of polite literature throughout the civilized world, and the grammar of which forms the basis of nearly every living language.

4th. "A Permanent Commission of five members is hereby constituted. The Commission will have its seat in Paris, in the Temple of the Grand Orient. It is charged with the duty of forwarding to the various Masonic authorities the propositions and publications of the Congress; to keep up its correspondence; to receive all letters, communications or propositions emanating from Grand Orients or Grand Lodges, or from individual Masons desirous of offering the fruits of their meditations to the Congress; in a word, all that may be deemed useful in forwarding its labors. And, finally, they are to fix the time and place of the next meeting of the Congress.

"The Commission is composed of the following illustrious brethren:

"CHEVALIER DE ROSENTHALL, for the Netherlands.

"COUNT DONOUGHMORE, for England.

"JOHN DOVE, for the United States.

"HEULLANT, for France.

"RAZY, for France.

"In case of the inability of any of the above named Brethren to serve, the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, or Grand Orient to which he may belong, will designate his substitute."

This Article, which contains nothing more than the organization of a Permanent Commission, *ad interim*, of the Congress, and prescribing their duties, needs no comment farther than to show, as it does on its face, the careful manner in which those duties are prescribed and limited.

- 5th. "Masonic authorities are in future to abandon the practice of constituting  
 "Lodges in countries where Masonic powers already exist.  
 "Authorities having Lodges in the territories of other powers, should con-  
 "sent to these Lodges passing under the actual authority of the Grand  
 "Lodges having jurisdiction over the territory where they are located.  
 "The Lodges are to be left to their own discretion, and the authorities of  
 "the countries where they are located should treat them with fraternal  
 "consideration."

The truly Masonic spirit which prompted the adoption of this resolution cannot be too highly appreciated, when it is borne in mind how disastrous to the harmony of the Fraternity in this hemisphere the evil it seeks to cure has been; and when it is further remembered that the concession is all on one side, and that from the parties who have exercised this, until now, undisputed privilege from all time. A practice certainly exercised among themselves, with mutual disregard to geographical lines of jurisdiction, and only protested against, by the Grand Lodges of these United States, since their political independence. Had such a provision been engrafted in the Constitution of 1721, we, in this country, should have been saved the mortification of seeing Masons made of men whose social status entirely precludes the idea of their elevation to a level with the white man in civil rights. The admirable and convincing argument of Brother Cummings on this resolution we take much pleasure in adopting, and recommend them to the careful perusal of every friend of the Universality of our beloved Institution in both hemispheres; and for the unanimity with which they were received and endorsed by the Congress, no true Mason can be sufficiently grateful.

- 6th. "Before proceeding to the initiation of a non-resident, inquiry shall be  
 "made of the authorities of the country to which the candidate owes allegi-  
 "ance, except in well authenticated cases of emergency."

This resolution is simply carrying out amongst nations and governments that etiquette of fraternity which is practised in all well regulated Grand Lodges in this country, at this time, and has for its object the prevention of working up unfit material in the Moral Edifice which we are erecting—a fact, too, of such notorious importance that it should be constantly practised on by every Craftsman engaged in the building.

- 7th. "The Masters of Lodges, in conferring the degree of M. M., should invest  
"the candidate with the words, signs, and grips, of the Scottish and Modern  
"Rites."

Those of us who are familiar with the history of the many schisms and great difficulties which beset the pioneers in the revival of Masonry at the commencement of the last century, will fully appreciate this resolution of the Congress. The sum total of their exertions was directed to the reorganization of the internal polity of Masonry, by reducing it to a representative form of government, in which the Lodges technically, or three first officers only, should form a Grand Lodge for legislative and supervisory duties. In this undertaking were engaged the Fraternity of England, Scotland, Ireland, France, and subsequently Prussia, each acting through Grand Lodges, and while, it seems, all kept steadily in view their high and holy mission of erecting a Moral Edifice for the amelioration of the human family, wheresoever dispersed, speaking different languages, the structure, tone, and accent of which, scarcely admitted of mutually convertible terms; yet, keeping in view the performance of their arduous duties to their mission, they persevered, and amid almost appalling difficulties, accomplished their cherished object. This constituted the exoteric school, and scholars rapidly flocked to it from all classes of society, from the sceptered King to the humblest Artizan. The gross outline of its features were easily understood and duly appreciated by every nation, however different the language in which those features were portrayed. The esoteric teachings, however, being all oral, and comprehending those individual formulas of Ritual which were intended to possess the power of a universal language, were necessarily cause of great embarrassment. They were not now, for the first time, inventing this language; indeed, the more conscientious and reliable portion of them felt positively inhibited from any attempt at innovation upon the Ancient and Accepted Ritual. All agreed that that which could be satisfactorily proved to be the most *ancient*, should be adopted and practiced. For this palm there were many aspirants, prominent among which, was Anderson and Desagulier, the champions of the Ancient York School of England, and Dermot and the Duke of Athol, of the Ancient and Accepted Scotch Rite of Scotland, each contending for the palm of antiquity, and while agreeing in the main, yet differing with uncompromising acrimony upon some minute details. At this juncture, the Grand Lodges of France and Prussia were organized by charters from one and the other of the two first named, and seeing these differences existing with their mother jurisdictions, adopted an esoteric formula, founded upon their teachings, but varied in a few particulars from both. Each of these Grand Bodies began now, as commerce and civilization progressed, to issue Charters, sending Masonry into the remotest nations; each, however, retaining with scrupulous exactness, the esoteric teaching of the source from whence each derived his warrant. This practice continues to the present day; and hence the palpable necessity for the practice indicated in this resolution, the plain object of

which is to place all genuine Masons, (and by this word genuine, we desire to be understood as meaning all Masons made under a Charter derived from either,) upon a footing of perfect equality of rights and privileges. The next Congress, we may confidently expect, will take up this subject and submit such a well digested Ritual, as operating alike in all nations, will settle for all time the difficulties which this Seventh Proposition proposes to remedy only temporarily.

- 8th. "This meeting, considering the Apron as the symbol of labor, that it has  
"always been an important symbol in Masonry, that it is in general use,  
"proposes to decide—that in all Masonic Assemblies the Apron is indis-  
"pensable."

This proposition suggests, on its face, the startling fact, that there are meetings of *unclothed* Masons held somewhere; it is certain they cannot be of that body of Masons who are acting under Anderson's Constitution of York Masonry, for it is there written: (Sec. 3—1. Of Attendance.) "Every Brother ought to belong to some regular Lodge, and should always appear therein *properly clothed*, and in clean and decent apparel." If, however, there are any who admit the practice of assembling without the characteristic badge, and we are to suppose there are some, we cheerfully endorse this resolution.

- 9th. "Convinced of the great utility of a regular and uninterrupted correspond-  
"ence between the various Masonic Powers, the Congress invites all Masonic  
"authorities regularly to exchange copies of their printed proceedings."

We, in the United States of America, have so regularly practised upon this suggestion, made at the first organization of our oldest Grand Lodges, that we had hoped the practice was universal. In any event it is a wholesome provision, and engenders and perpetuates brotherly love and kindly feelings.

- 10th. "The Congress insists upon the necessity for certain central points in each  
"country, for the reception of correspondence, whence it could be diffused  
"throughout the jurisdiction."

This, also, seems almost an act of supererogation, as time and custom have established the practice with us, and the Grand Secretary's Office of each Grand Lodge as that point or place, to and from whence all such communications are made.

It is also a matter of some moment to designate the time and place for holding the next Congress, and while this duty has been, by the Fourth Proposition, delegated to the Committee therein named, yet in a question involving so many interests, for one, I should greatly prefer that some indications should be made by the Grand Lodges of the United States. The suggestion has been already

made, that another World's Convention be held in London in 1861; and I think it not improbable that the Grand Lodges of Europe, Asia and Africa, may prefer that as the time and place. My own judgment, however, leads me to suggest, that New York would be preferable as the place, and 1862 as the time: 1st, because the large majority of Grand Lodges is on the American Continent, and a very large majority of that number speaking the same language and working the same Ritual, there would result a greater probability of unity of action in agreeing upon a Masonic language adapted to the idioms of all nations; and 2d, as to time, it will be as early as the Grand Lodges can confer and make known their wishes to the Committee—perhaps some importance may attach to its being a septennial period from the first Congress.

By reference to page 56 of the printed proceedings of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Virginia, it will be seen that the Ten Propositions of the Universal Masonic Congress were entirely satisfactory to them, and it would give me great pleasure to receive from you, M. Wor. Brother, either through the action of your Grand Lodge, or by letter, during recess, your views upon these most interesting subjects.

I have the honor to be,

Most fraternally yours,

JOHN DOVE,

*Member of the Permanent Committee for U. S. A.*

After the remarks of Bro. Dove, and of your previous Committees, little need be said upon these resolutions. A few of them, however, require some comment; though, perhaps, to all of them we can give our assent, either as being the universal practice upon this continent (as most of them are), or, as expressing views to which we have no objection. We do object, however, to the treatment of considering our thirty-six Grand Lodges as one jurisdiction—as is evidently implied in the proceedings; and hence, favor the next meeting being held, say in New York, where, if we choose, we can be represented; and are in favor of meeting at the time proposed by the others of the Committee, say 1861—as giving ample time for all those Grand Lodges who choose, to join in the Congress.

All the reasons above given for the formation of a National Grand body, apply with greater force to a meeting of a Universal Congress of Masons. Masonry, indeed, claims to be universal; but, though starting from the same source, it has passed through so many different hands, and under the control of so many different jurisdictions, that, through the lapse of time, wide discrepancies, we have no doubt, do exist—not



only "in the means of recognition, and the ties which bind us together as Masons"—but in the very principles which lie at the foundation of our Order. In some jurisdictions, these principles have been added to or taken from; *and, perhaps, the contrary to the true* may be expressed in some. In no way can this unity of sentiment—this universality of the Order, which we claim to exist, be restored or perpetuated—except by some such general conference and interchange of opinion and sentiment and knowledge, by the first officers—or Masons most distinguished for knowledge and worth—of all the Grand Lodges of the world; and which conferences should be frequent, and never entirely cease. With these remarks—as extended as our limits permit in this report—we recommend to favorable consideration the action of the Congress, and the recommendations of Bro. Dove, one of its Executive Committee.

## THE GRAND LODGE OF HAMBURGH.

• As properly following the above, we next notice the position of the Grand Lodge of Hamburgh, in assuming the right to enter any foreign jurisdiction, already occupied, and of instituting Lodges therein; and, as we have recently been informed by our Grand Representative at the Grand Lodge of New York, of recognizing negro and other clandestine Lodges. This evil—for such we regard it—might, in a measure, be remedied by an Universal Congress of Masons. In the mean time, however, we must take care of ourselves; and, in doing so, protest against any invasion of jurisdiction, by any foreign Grand body whatever; and persisting in our determination to refuse all intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Hamburgh, until she shall withdraw her unwarranted pretensions.

She undoubtedly acts, in a great measure, through ignorance—as, in a communication now before us, she speaks of "the Grand Lodge of the United States"—not seeming to be aware of the existence of thirty-six Grand Lodges, but making the Grand Lodge of New York take that character, she expresses surprise that we should coincide with the Grand Lodge of New York, declaring Lodges in New York, chartered by the Grand Lodge of Hamburgh, clandestine Lodges. For reasons above (and heretofore) expressed, we must adhere to our

position; but state, however, that whenever the Grand Lodge of Hamburg shall withdraw her unmasonic pretensions, and demean herself in other respects in a becoming and proper manner, we are ready to take her by the hand, and welcome her among the Grand Lodges of the world.

### MISCELLANEOUS.

There are a certain class of communications, more or less numerous, received every year by the Grand Secretary or Grand Master, upon subjects of general or particular interest, from individuals, distinct from the published proceedings and circulars of Grand Lodges, which are as much entitled to the distinctive appellation of Foreign Correspondence as any other communications; and which, we think, in many instances, as deserving of notice by this Committee. To-be-sure, most of the subject-matters of these communications are noticed in the general review made of Grand Lodge proceedings; yet, there are frequent instances where a special notice would, in our estimation, be more appropriate.

The difficulties within our jurisdiction—growing out of the revolt of some of our Lodges, the withdrawal of others, and the efforts of certain disaffected individuals, in our midst, to create, by various means, a schism in our ranks—especially, by a pretended superior organization, or at least, one claiming powers coëxtensive with those of the Grand Lodge—has been the occasion of the receipt of several of these foreign communications, from private individuals; mostly devoted, however, to inquiries as to the actual state of facts existing here, and requesting information. Many of these will, no doubt, have been answered by the Grand Master, by private letter, or in his address; and yet, as several of them have been laid before your Committee, we feel it our duty to present to you our views upon the points of inquiry. They are nearly all upon the same subject-matter, alluded to above; and, hence, one answer must do for all. Nor in this, shall we state each question in detail, and our answer thereto; but, by giving a simple narrative of facts, as we know them to exist, make the substance of these inquiries known to you in that way, and which, we trust, will be ample to satisfy the various querists, and those whom they represent.

Our Grand Lodge was formed (organized) in 1812, by the concurrent union of five Lodges, and claimed exclusive jurisdiction to form new Lodges in this State. Its authority has never been interfered with until quite recently, though there were two other Lodges then (1812) in the State, which did not unite in forming the Grand Lodge, and which were, nevertheless, recognized as legal by it. These two Lodges, Louisiana and Harmony, continued to work by themselves for several years, but, finally, (since 1820), ceased labors as such—the members, or most of them, taking out Charters, under similar names, from our Grand Lodge. These seven Lodges, were York Rite Lodges, without an exception, having been chartered by the Grand Lodges of South Carolina, Pennsylvania, and New York, as such, and as York Masons, received Charters at the formation of our Grand Lodge, in 1812. Indeed, no Charter was issued by the Grand Lodge prior to 1832, in which the words “Ancient York Masons,” were not used. Charters or “Warrants of Constitution,” for bodies of various higher grades of Masons had been obtained by the Masons of New Orleans, prior to 1832, including Charters for Royal Arch Chapters, Councils of Royal and Select Masters, an Encampment of Knights Templars, Chapters of Rose Croix, and Councils of Kadosh, all of which bodies did much work, as would appear from the date at which many of our old Masons received their several degrees, etc.

In Louisiana, peopled as it is by men of all nations, you could ever find many Masons made such in the countries or States from which they emigrated, and who brought with them the forms of their own initiation, and to which they adhered with the usual amount of prejudice and pertinacity, which all have experienced in such matters, and perhaps have exhibited in our own individual cases. Of these, many had been initiated in Lodges which worked the three degrees after (or under) the French and Scottish Rites, and in time diffused much of the peculiarities of those Rites into the working of our Lodges, until at last, Lodges were found, which worked exclusively as one or the other of those Rites. Indeed, such was the case with Polar Star Lodge, No. 5, from nearly the first, as to the Scottish Rite; and so with respect to some others, as to the French or Modern Rite. To this, some who thought more of form than of sense, of shadow than of substance, objected, under the then order of things; the result of which was, the making of a radical change in the Regulations of the

Grand Lodge, by which the three Rites were not only recognized, but the Grand Lodge authorized the issuing to any Lodge requesting and *paying for* the same, three distinct Charters or Warrants—one for each of the three rights—York, Modern, or Scottish—or either of them, as the Lodge might wish; and at the same time established chambers for the Modern and Scottish Rites in the Grand Lodge; that is, committees who should have exclusive control over the affairs peculiar to these Rites, and thus, in effect, establishing in this State three distinct Masonries, where, in fact, but one really existed. To this, which we must term foolish distinction, we easily trace all our difficulties and differences, past, present and future. Had the leaders of those days in our Order, but sought after the true principles of Freemasonry, and found, as they would have done, that each so-called Rite was, in effect, but a different name for the same thing; had they then abolished all distinctive appellations of York, French and Scottish, and substituted in the constitution of the Grand Lodge, and in the Warrants it issued, “Ancient, Free and Accepted,” for the words “York, Scottish or French;” had they but looked after the substance more, and the shadow less, the reality more than the name; and been less anxious for high sounding titles and distinctions, the troubles of 1848 to 1850, and of the present time, would never have existed. The slight discrepancies in the work which have become more distinct and irreconcilable by the course of 1832, would have entirely disappeared, and we should now have in name what is almost a reality—but one Masonry in the State of Louisiana, and but one Rite—that of *Free-Masonry*. This we tried to effect in 1850, at the convention in Baton Rouge, in the formation of the late Constitution, and which would have been already accomplished, but for the designs of an ambitious, disaffected few; who, acting upon the prejudices and ignorance of some, by representing to them that nothing was Masonry but Scottish Masonry, and that this was prohibited by the Grand Lodge, led to the revolt of 1850, and of 1857.

This brings us to another branch of the inquiries made of us : namely, in regard to those so-called Superior Bodies, in whose name these revolts have been made. Some time prior to 1830, certain Masons, who had, in France or elsewhere, received some or all of these higher degrees, acting, we know not upon what authority (nor does it much concern us to know), organized a body in New Orleans,

known as the Grand Consistory of the 32nd Degree for the State of Louisiana. This body, if properly organized, claimed authority and control over Lodges of Perfection (14th Degree), Councils of Princes of Jerusalem (16th Degree), Chapters of Rose Croix (18th Degree), Councils of Kadosh (30th Degree), and all Masons possessing those and the intermediate degrees, from the 4th to the 32nd inclusive; at any rate, due obedience was given to the Grand Consistory by all over whom the authority was claimed. There was nothing out of the way in all this; nor would there ever have been had not certain ambitious men, in some way, obtained the 33rd or last degree of the Ancient and Accepted Rite; and, by virtue of that title, attempted to exercise powers which never belonged to that degree, but which was pretended, by virtue of a certain draft of powers, *quite recently discovered to have been forged*, such as the right of making Masons at sight, and the right of constituting Symbolic Lodges of the Rite. These powers, exercised and claimed to exist in each and every individual who had received the 33rd Degree, we have said was based on a forged document; yet they were exercised, in part, at least, in this State, some years ago, and, quite frequently, within the last two years. The result of several having received this degree was the formation, in 1839, of the Supreme Council of New Orleans, who claimed control over the whole of Masonry in Louisiana. Indeed, we know of instances in which, so late as 1844, it expelled members of the Grand Lodge, and required that body to simply declare the Brother expelled merely by reason of his expulsion by this Supreme Council. All this went well, so long as the members of this Supreme Council had the control of the Grand Lodge, and this they had contrived to possess by the various complicated provisions of the Regulations of 1832, before alluded to. The tyrannical and unmasonic exercise of power by these rulers, was the chief, if not the sole, cause of revolt of 1847, and the formation of the Louisiana Grand Lodge, through the intervention of the Grand Lodge of Mississippi. The result we have above intimated in the adoption of the Constitution of 1850. It was then that this Supreme Council began to exercise its more than doubtful powers, by the chartering of Lodges and other similar acts of jurisdiction in conflict with that of the Grand Lodge.

But, fortunately for us, perhaps, it was discovered that this Supreme Council was illegal and spurious, and had been organized within the

immediate jurisdiction of another Supreme Council (that for the Southern jurisdiction of the United States, sitting at Charleston, South Carolina). This discovery led to the immediate dissolution of the body, and the union, in 1854, of its members, and all its Subordinates, with a Grand Consistory, which had been already legally organized in the State, by the Supreme Council at Charleston. By this proceeding, all the Lodges under its control fell to the ground, and to their subsequent return to the Grand Lodge; and thus were all divisions supposed to be healed. The Supreme Council at Charleston renounced all claim to jurisdiction over the Three Symbolic Degrees; the present Grand Consistory of Louisiana does not dream of any such claim; and there should be nothing, apparently, to disturb our harmony and quiet.

There were a few disaffected ones, however, who never came back to the Grand Lodge. These claimed to be thirty-thirds, and, as such, to possess the right to make Masons at sight, and to constitute Lodges of the Three Symbolic Degrees. They, in defiance of their obligations as thirty-thirds, if they really are such, next proceeded to form a "Supreme Council for the Sovereign and Independent State of Louisiana," and have made Masons (of course clandestine) and chartered several Lodges and higher bodies (also clandestine), the exact number of which, we are ignorant. It is with this body we have to contend, and this only. It is this so-called Supreme Council, which neither the Grand Orient of France, nor any other Masonic body whatever, has recognized; and we think ourselves safe in saying, that no body of regular Masons ever will recognize it. Yet, through the ignorance as to the difference—or, rather want of difference—between the several Rites, and the prejudices growing out of race, and made permanent, as it were, by ignorance, a portion of several of our Lodges have withdrawn from us, and taken charters from this spurious and so-called Supreme Council. And here we feel the result of admitting ignorant men into our Order—more fully portrayed in another place—and the necessity of a correct knowledge of the true principles of *Freemasonry* being instilled into the minds of every initiate.

We think the foregoing will suffice for this branch of the inquiries, to which we alluded at the commencement; and that ere another year shall have rolled around, all occasion for any further allusion to this disagreeable subject shall have passed away.

## CONCLUSION.

We have thus endeavored, in our own imperfect way, to lay before you a brief account of the great mass of matter known as the Foreign Correspondence of this Grand Lodge. We have often regretted our inability to do justice to all the points of interest, evident even upon a cursory perusal. Oftentimes we have, after reviewing the proceedings of one Grand Lodge, upon taking up those of another, found our views much better expressed—as well they might be—by some one of the great lights of our Order, and have been tempted to draw the pen through our own remarks, and quote, instead, the words of others. But, we had a duty to perform, by virtue of our appointment, and we did not feel ourselves at liberty to take, as a substitute, another's labor.

Much of the space which is usually taken up in these reports, in giving the names of the officers, the times of meeting, the number of Lodges represented, the number of the Lodges in each State and their membership, the number of initiations and revenues; in short, all the various changes in the condition of the Fraternity in each jurisdiction, has been saved to your committee, for the expression of their own opinions, and the inculcation, by quotation or otherwise, of the vital and fundamental principles and usages of our beloved Order, by the full and complete statistical tables, to be found at the end of the proceedings, prepared in the office of our excellent Grand Secretary, whose action in the premises is beyond the usual meed of commendation. We think we can safely say, that tables as complete and accurate as those prepared by the Grand Secretary to accompany this report, have as yet never been published. We know, from personal inspection, that they required no small amount of labor; for not resting satisfied with the additions and compilations of others, as published in the various Grand Lodge proceedings, particular pains have been taken to verify each item by a comparison with the actual returns as published. In several instances, the returns published have not been tabulated, and the work has been done from the raw material, so to speak, of the returns themselves. Had all other Grand Secretaries performed the duty of tabulating their own statistics, the work would have been materially diminished.

We do not ask the Grand Lodge to adopt formally our report. It

is but the expression of the reasons, in the best manner we were able, for the views we honestly entertain upon the various subjects treated of by us, and we expect them only to be considered as the reasons or arguments which we would advance in support of the views we entertain, the former action of the Grand Lodge, and in favor of the adoption of the resolutions, which, under the regulations creating this committee, we herewith submit, and the adoption of which we recommend to the Grand Lodge, as subservient to the best interest of the Craft.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
*For the Committee.*



## RESOLUTIONS.

1. *Resolved*, That the request of Hawaiian Lodge, No. 21, Honolulu, for assistance, be recommended to the favorable consideration of the Fraternity in this jurisdiction.

2. *Resolved*, That we congratulate our Brethren in Canada upon the union effected between the whole Craft in that jurisdiction, and extend to the Grand Lodge of Canada the continuation of our favor.

3. *Resolved*, That the M. W. Grand Master appoint a Committee of three, to prepare the early history of Masonry in this State, and a compendium of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge, from its organization, and report progress at our next Annual Grand Communication.

4. *Resolved*, That we learn, with pleasure, the union effected by the Masons in New York, and extend to them our heartiest congratulations upon the happy event.

5. *Resolved*, That the efforts made by our Brethren elsewhere for the purchase of Mount Vernon, is cordially recommended to the favorable consideration of the Fraternity in this State.

6. *Resolved*, That we extend to the Grand Lodge of Turkey the right hand of fellowship, and welcome her among the Grand Lodges of the world.

7. *Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge adopt the plan for the formation of "A CONGRESS OF 'FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS,' of Grand Lodges of the United States," as proposed by M. W. Bro. A. T. C. Pierson, and adopted by the Grand Lodge of Minnesota; and that three delegates be chosen to meet, at Chicago, in September next, three from the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, and from such other Grand Lodges as may choose delegates.

8. *Resolved*, That the plan proposed by M. W. Bro. John Dove, for the holding of a World's Convention of Masons, be accepted and approved.

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PETITION AND MEMORIAL

OF

ST. ANDREW LODGE, NO. 5,

PRAYING TO RETURN TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE

M.: W.: Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana.

*To the Grand Master of the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

MOST WORSHIPFUL BROTHER—The undersigned, members of St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, respectfully request your Worshipful Body to take into consideration the position which they occupy as Masons in this East.

The annexed document sets forth the reasons which make it a duty for them to solicit the favor to return under the jurisdiction of your Most Worshipful Body. They crave a kind examination of their situation, and they beg you to accept of their solemn promise to remain forever faithful to the oaths which they will take.

Hoping that this communication will, Most Worshipful Brother, be favorably received, they beg you to accept their salutations known to all true children of the W.:

[Signed]

E. MASQUÈRE,  
B. LARCADE,  
F. H. ADAM,  
C. MARCHAL,  
P. MARX,  
J. LAMARRE,  
J. WINÇON,  
P. ST. JOUAN,  
F. COMMENT,  
P. LAZARE,  
P. BERGE,

H. DEGRO,  
A. LECOMPTE,  
N. TOURNIE,  
J. B. TERNOT,  
P. CAUHAPÉ,  
T. MICHON,  
C. LAGRANGE,  
J. CALONJAT,  
E. D. LOUBET,  
V. ABADIE,  
E. CLARET.

The following members of the corporation, under the style of St. Andrew Lodge, who wish to work Masonically under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, and who—having been *Raised* under another jurisdiction—are not allowed to sign the petition for a charter addressed to your Worshipful Body, hereby give in their adhesion.

[Signed]

J. PAUSAS,  
DOMINIQUE MEUNIER,  
GAUDERRE,  
M. STIRE,  
T. MICAS.

New Orleans, January 4th, 1859.

## MEMORIAL.

*To the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the*

*M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

WORSHIPFUL BRETHREN—The petition which the members of Worshipful St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, address to your Worshipful Body, for the purpose of being readmitted under your jurisdiction, is a proof that they now acknowledge the error committed by them in withdrawing from your authority. But it is necessary for them to make known the causes of that involuntary error, so that no one should have the right to tax them with versatility.

Among those causes, there are two which they deem proper to point out at once, viz :

1st. The false assertions of certain ill-intentioned persons in whom they had unfortunately reposed confidence.

2d. Their total ignorance of the English language, of which the same ill-intentioned persons availed themselves to misinterpret the words spoken by the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, and certain documents emanating from the Grand Lodge.

The Masons of this East all know that the Worshipful Lodge, "Les Disciples du Sénat Maçonnique," together with other Lodges, withdrew, in 1851, from the jurisdiction of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, and passed over to the Su-

preme Council then existing, and that the latter Body changed the name of "Disciples of the Masonic Senate," No. 5, into that of "St. Andrew," No. 6.

St. Andrew Lodge remained faithful to the authority of the Supreme Council up to the time when the President of that Body, Mr. J. Foulhouze, sent in his resignation, July 30th, 1853. It is not our province to investigate the motives of that resignation. But we will remark, that among his few adherents there were two, Messrs. Joseph Lisbony and Louis Dufau, who as members of St. Andrew Lodge, No. 6, sharing in the Masonic ideas of Mr. Jacques Foulhouze, and knowing his ultimate designs, used their influence in the Lodge to cause the latter to withdraw from the Supreme Council. Sometime after, on the 16th February, 1855, the dissolution of the Supreme Council was legally pronounced, and the Lodges which were under its jurisdiction placed themselves under the authority of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge. But Worshipful St. Andrew Lodge, anticipating the action of the Supreme Council, had passed over to your Worshipful Body on the 24th February, 1854.

However, the dissolution of the ex-Supreme Council had restored peace in this East. St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, was enjoying the most perfect tranquility, when, in December, 1855, she received from Worshipful Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, which was, like herself, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge, a communication, apprizing St. Andrew Lodge of the application by nineteen members for affiliation into Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, the majority of said nineteen members being old members of St. Andrew Lodge. Among these there were two, who were under charges brought by St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5. Being fully convinced of the guilt of those two members, St. Andrew Lodge informed Polar Star Lodge thereof, but no attention was paid to our opposition; no investigation of the matter was taken, and the answer was, that there was no cause for refusing the affiliation of said members.

God forbid that we should harbor the thought that, in this case, Polar Star Lodge wished to make us feel that she had not forgotten our conduct towards the ex-Supreme Council, whereof she had been, to the end, the staunchest supporter! But it is evident, that by overruling our opposition to the affiliation of the two members aforementioned, she acted rather too rashly. She has since, however,

frankly admitted the fact. Thus, those two members were affiliated into Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, notwithstanding the solemn opposition of Worshipful St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5.

Mr. J. Lisbony, then a member of St. Andrew Lodge, drew up against those two members an accusation which was endorsed by said Lodge. A protest relating the foregoing facts was subsequently addressed to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, for the purpose of obtaining redress. But the Grand Lodge, in its turn, paid but very little attention to the case, and allowed the Annual Grand Communication to pass without taking any decision on the subject.

It will be easily conceived that all these facts were calculated to exasperate the members of St. Andrew Lodge. The friends of Mr. Jacques Foulhouze took advantage of the feelings then prevailing in the Lodge, and insinuated, that the Supreme Council was still existing in the person of their leader; and to attain their object more speedily, they translated, according to their views, and commented upon, the *projet* of the new Constitution, which had been forwarded to us by the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge. They came to the conclusion that the Grand Lodge denied to us the right of making our own By-Laws, and of working the Scottish Rite. They added, that our Charter might be taken from us, if we did not adopt the York Rite, and that, in this case, the Grand Lodge had decided to take possession of our movable and immovable property, etc., etc.

These allegations, which appeared to us well founded, because they were uttered by persons in whom, we repeat it, we had reposed confidence, together with other causes for complaint which, we thought, we had against the Grand Lodge, in consequence of the affiliation of certain members into Polar Star Lodge, induced us to adopt, August 23d, 1856, the following resolutions :

*"Resolved, That St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, will not adopt the new Constitution as submitted to it by the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, unless said Constitution allow to all the Lodges of this East the right of making their own By-Laws, and of working the Rite of their choice, provided it be an 'Accepted' Rite; and, if a Lodge became inactive, or if its Charter were taken away from it, unless the Grand Lodge should forego all claims to the books, jewels, money and property which said Lodge might possess.*

*"Be it further Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to make a report in that sense to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, which report shall be presented to the Lodge as soon as practicable."*

The members of said Committee were the Bros. Lisbony, Daliet and Ternet. Said Committee made their report on the 4th of September, 1856, and a copy thereof forwarded to the Grand Lodge.

On the 8th December, 1856, Mr. L. Dufau, who had resigned in 1853, was reëffiliated into Worshipful St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5.

On the 1st March, 1857, the members of that Lodge, being still under the impression that the Grand Lodge entertained the ideas of *spoliation* which were attributed to it by the friends of Mr. Jacques Foulhouze, obtained an act of Special Incorporation for the purpose of securing their property against the possible action of the Grand Lodge. Said Corporation was inaugurated that same day, March 1st, 1857. Mr. L. Dufau proposed that said Corporation should have special regulations in conformity to its Charter. A Committee, *ad hoc*, was appointed, whereof he was a member. At the following meeting that Committee made no report, but Mr. T. Lisbony offered the following preamble and resolutions, which were adopted by the "Corporation : "

"WHEREAS, The Masonic Lodge St. Andrew, No. 5, consisting of the same members who compose this Corporation, has, by a resolution dated February 9th, 1857, sold to this Corporation the three lots of Ground, together with the buildings thereon, and the furniture, etc., which belong to said Lodge, for and in consideration of a sum of Eight Thousand Dollars, receipt of which was duly acknowledged :

"*Be it resolved*, That Mr. B. Antognini is hereby appointed and authorized to accept said sale in the name of this Corporation, to sign all acts of sale, etc.

"*Resolved further*, That this Corporation accept, as its own regulations, the By-Laws of said Lodge, St. Andrew, No. 5, and that the officers elect of the Lodge be also the officers of this Corporation.

"*Resolved*, That from this day forward this Corporation shall work as a Masonic Body, under the style of St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5."

After the adoption of the foregoing resolutions, the Corporation immediately opened its labors as a Masonic Body, *under the jurisdiction* of the Grand Lodge. At this meeting, March 8th, 1857, a committee of three was appointed for the purpose of procuring from the Grand Master and Grand Secretary the necessary information about such resolutions as had been adopted by the Grand Lodge at its last Grand Communication, and also of making a final settlement of all sums due the Grand Lodge by St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, for the year

1856. The members of said committee were Bros. Michon, Ternot and Dufau.

The latter, without waiting for the other members of the committee, who, however, did not understand the English language, paid a visit to the Grand Master, Bro. W. M. Perkins. In giving his account of the interview which he had had with the Grand Master, Mr. Dufau affirmed, that he had acquired the undoubted certainty, that the Grand Lodge had not only resolved to lay its hands upon the property of St. Andrew Lodge, but also to compel all the Subordinate Lodges to hold their meetings in the Masonic Hall, in order to increase the revenues thereof. He testified, that the Grand Master had declared, that the Grand Lodge would insist upon the Uniformity of Work in the Lodges, and would not allow them to Work any other Rite than the York Rite. He concluded by asking, that the report of the committee be postponed for a week, and by proposing, that at the meeting to be then held for that purpose, all the Masons of New Orleans be invited to attend. Lastly, he offered the following resolution :

*“Resolved, That the Committee appointed to meet the Grand Master and Grand Secretary be declared permanent, in order to procure, if possible, further information.”*

Which was adopted.

Mr. Lisbony then proposed “that a committee be appointed to have an interview with the members of the Supreme Council, which, it was said, had decidedly been restored to life, and of which Mr. J. J. E. Massicot was the President. The committee was to procure information respecting the intentions of that Supreme Council in case we should decide to withdraw from the Grand Lodge.” Said motion was adopted, and the committee composed of Bros. Bernard, Daliet and Follenfant, who never made any report on the subject.

At last Mr. Dufau made his report; it was a long one. He mentioned his conversation with the Grand Master, made a thorough dissection of all resolutions adopted by the Grand Lodge, after having translated them to suit his purpose, and concluded by offering the following preambles and resolutions, which were adopted:

The Free and Accepted Masons, members of St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, have read with great attention the Proceedings of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge



of the State of Louisiana, at the Forty-fifth Annual Communication, held at New Orleans, February 9th, 1857, and adopted *unanimously* the following Preamble and Resolutions :

WHEREAS, The said Grand Lodge intends to arrogate to itself the right to make all Laws and Regulations necessary for the government of "the Lodges and Brethren under its jurisdiction," and thereby would make attempts to infringe upon the independence of said Lodge without any benefit to the true principles of Free Masonry;

AND WHEREAS, By forcing the said Lodges to "work *uniformly* and *correctly*," the Grand Lodge intends to protect and propagate its own Rite to the exclusion of all other Rites, and especially of *Scotch Rite*, thereby imitating the systematic intolerance of those who suffer no other faith than their own;

AND WHEREAS, In case of forfeiture of the said Subordinate Lodges, the Grand Lodge would claim the right to seize not only the Books and Jewels; but also the IMPLEMENTS and PROPERTY of said Lodges, and appropriate the same to itself without giving any equivalent;

AND WHEREAS, All those measures, although they are not yet officially adopted by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, are nevertheless considered as just and necessary by the great majority of its members, as it may be seen by its Proceedings of last Annual Communication;

AND WHEREAS, The members of St. Andrew Lodge do not wish to remain in any equivocal situation—

*It was Resolved by St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, at a meeting of the same, held on the 21st of March, 1857, and to which had been called by Special Letter all the members of the Lodge :*

1st. That it is inconsistent with the honor and interest of St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, to recognize principles so arbitrary, and in fact anti-Masonic.

2d. This Lodge regrets being compelled to withdraw itself from the jurisdiction of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, and withdraws itself from the jurisdiction of the same.

3d. That the Treasurer of St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, be hereby authorized to settle finally and definitely all accounts with the Grand Lodge.

4th. That the Secretary of St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, be hereby requested to send a true copy, in French and English, of the above Preamble and these Resolutions, to the Grand Lodge, and to all Masonic Lodges of Louisiana, respectfully inviting all Free Masonry remaining under jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge to continue to St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, the same friendly and fraternal feelings heretofore existing.

A true copy of the Proceedings.

A. FOLLENFANT, *Secretary.*

New Orleans, March 21st, 1857.

The Free and Accepted Masons, members of St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, have unanimously adopted the following Preamble and Resolutions :

WHEREAS, In withdrawing themselves from the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana they did not intend to avoid all Masonic authority whatever, but rather to place themselves under a proper and orthodox jurisdiction ;

AND WHEREAS, The Most Worshipful St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, acknowledges that she has not already paid her dues to the Grand Lodge for the Masonic year 1856 ; It was *Resolved*,

1st. That the sum of \$208, total due for the Masonic year 1857, be hereby placed to the order and disposal of the Grand Lodge at the office of the Treasurer of St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5. But this sum shall be delivered only on presentation of a receipt, bearing these words : *for final account*.

2d. That the Worshipful St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, places itself under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Council of Thirty-third Degree, in and for the independent State of Louisiana.

3d. That the Secretary of St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, be hereby requested to send a true copy, in French and English, of the above Preamble and these Resolutions to the Grand Lodge and to the Supreme Council.

A true copy of the Proceedings.

A. FOLLENFANT, *Secretary*.

New Orleans, June 8th, 1857.

The foregoing is, Worshipful Brethren, a true and correct statement. The facts speak for themselves. You are aware of the share Messrs. Lisbony and Dufau have taken, since three years, in the unfair war waging against your Worshipful Body. Recent events have proven to you that they were never over-scrupulous about the means by which they could attain their object, in sowing anarchy and discord in an Institution whose bases are Peace, Harmony and Charity !

The members of St. Andrew Lodge, who were the first victims of those two individuals, were also the first to open their eyes, and they now crave a hospitality on which they set its full value, and whereof they are not unworthy by their sincere and good intentions for the future.

In the name and by order of the signers of the preceding letter,

Attest :

LAGRANGE.

New Orleans, February 12th, 1859.

# SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

OF THE

M. M. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana.

NEW ORLEANS, February 27th, 1859.

Agreeable to a Special Order, the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana convened this day, at 12 o'clock, M., in the Hall of "St. ANDREW LODGE, No. 5," on Conti, between Villeré and Robertson streets, the following

## OFFICERS PRESENT:

SAMUEL M. TODD.....	M. W. Grand Master.
JOHN H. HOLLAND.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master, <i>pro tem</i> .
H. R. SWASEY.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden, <i>pro tem</i> .
JOSEPH SANTINI.....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
R. B. LAWRENCE.....	W. Grand Treasurer, <i>pro tem</i> .
SAM'L G. RISK.....	W. Grand Secretary.
ALFRED SHAW.....	W. Grand Chaplain, <i>pro tem</i> .
GEO. W. RACE.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon, <i>pro tem</i> .
W. F. WELLS.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon, <i>pro tem</i> .
J. C. BATCHELOR.....	W. Grand Marshal.
GEO. M. BEAMAN.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer, <i>pro tem</i> .
A. P. DOSTIE.....	W. Grand Pursuivant, <i>pro tem</i> .
G. SONTAG, <i>pro tem</i> .....	} W. Grand Stewards.
H. M. CRENSHAW.....	
BRUNO DeLUCAS.....	
J. J. DANIEL, <i>pro tem</i> .....	
JOSEPH CHELLET.....	W. Grand Tyler

The Grand Lodge was opened in AMPLE FORM, when the Most Worshipful Grand Master stated that the Communication had been called at the solicitation of the members of St. ANDREW LODGE, No. 5, for the purpose of re-constituting their Lodge under the legal Masonic jurisdiction of the State, and re-dedicating their Hall to those solemn purposes of pure "Ancient Free and Accepted Masonry"—"BROTHERLY LOVE, RELIEF AND TRUTH."

The following Brethren of St. Andrew Lodge, who had not been healed, being in waiting, were then introduced by the Grand Marshal, and in the most solemn manner, were regularly healed, namely: P. BERGÉ, E. CLARET, H. DÉGRO, P. LAZARRE, E. MASQUERE, J. PAUSAS, G. LUSSE.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master then proceeded to re-constitute the Lodge, and a procession having been formed under the direction of the Grand Marshal, in which was borne those three impressive and appropriate Masonic Emblems, "*Corn, Wine and Oil*," the Hall was solemnly dedicated to "FREE-MASONRY," "VIRTUE," and "UNIVERSAL BENEVOLENCE."

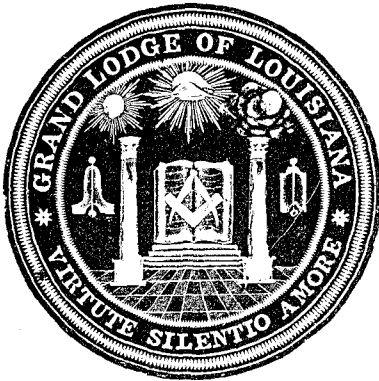
The business of the Communication having ceased, the Most Worshipful Grand Master addressed the Brethren of St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, in a most feeling and forcible manner on the importance of cultivating Peace and Harmony, and practising in its fullest extent CHARITY; that true Masonic Charity which "suffereth long, and is kind; that Charity which "vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, doth not behave itself unseemly, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth."

The Most Worshipful Grand Master being about to close the Grand Lodge, Bro. J. B. TERNOT, the Worshipful Master of St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, rose and said:

MOST WORSHIPFUL BROTHERS: Accept the sincere thanks of St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, and please be our interpreters to all our Brethren. It is indeed gratifying to us, to see such eminent Brethren as yourselves bringing here tokens of Peace, Union and Brotherhood. It is a blessing whereat Masonry and humanity itself will rejoice—a blessing that our successors will inherit and thankfully accept—a blessing which increases our gratitude and our respect for you. Such a noble mission is an honor to us, as is also the hearty welcome which we receive at your hands in this Temple, from the East, whence flow the rays of Masonic light.

Again, Most Worshipful Brethren, please to accept the expressions of our gratitude, and also the vows of St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, so that brotherhood daily increasing among men, their union may unceasingly become stronger, and be made more and more holy through the warm influence of Light and Truth. Amen.

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge was then closed in AMPLE FORM, Peace and Harmony prevailing.



SAMUEL M. TODD,

Grand Master.

ATTEST :

SAMPL G. RISK,

Grand Secretary.

NOTE.—Immediately after closing, the M. W. Grand Master, together with the officers and members of the Grand Lodge, and the visiting Brethren present, were conducted by the officers and members of St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, to the banquetting hall, where a most sumptuous repast had been prepared. Some one hundred and fifty Brethren sat down, under the presidency of Bro. J. B. Ternot, W. M. of St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, and amid good cheer, and sociable harmony, revived and strengthened the holy bands of Brotherly Love and Charity—not forgetting the Widow and the Orphan.—[GRAND SECRETARY.]

# OFFICIAL NOTICE.

GRAND SECRETARY'S OFFICE,  
Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana,  
NEW ORLEANS, March 21, 1859.

The Constituent Lodges in this Jurisdiction will take notice of the following Suspensions, Expulsions, etc., and govern themselves accordingly.

Masters of Lodges will cause the same to be read in open Lodge, at the first Communication after receiving it.

By order of the M. W. Grand Master :

SAM'L G. RISK, Grand Secretary.

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P. A. Letourneur	" "	"	3
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Domingo Herrera	" " " "	"	5
Luis Machado	" " " "	"	5
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Ezra Mathéws	" " " "	"	50
Fred'k Strahle	" " " "	"	50
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THE Forty-eighth Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful "THE GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA," commenced in the city of New Orleans, at the Grand Lodge Hall, on St. Charles street, on Monday, February 13th, 1860, at half-past six o'clock, P. M.

It appearing that a constitutional number of Representatives from the constituent Lodges were present, the Grand Lodge was opened by the M. W. Grand Master, SAMUEL M. TODD, in ample form, in the Third Degree.

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J. H. CALLAWAY.....	as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
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H. M. CRENSHAW.....	} W. Grand Stewards.
E. D. CRAIG.....	
B. DE LUCAS.....	
WM. WALKER.....	
JAS. B. SCOT.....	as W. Grand Tyler.

Past Grand Master JOHN H. HOLLAND being announced, was admitted, and conducted to the East with appropriate honors.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced the following brethren as a Committee on Credentials: Chas. R. Purdy, R. B. Lawrence and Jacob A. Cohen, who, after a short recess, submitted the following report, which was adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

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G. W. Wynn, J. W. } proxy for all.
- ANACOCO .....No. 147—Jno. A. Brown, W. M. }  
Mark McAlpin, S. W } N. H. Bray,  
L. W. Smart, J. W. } proxy for all.
- RED LAND.....No. 148—J. B. Campbell, W. M. (F. H. Hatch, proxy)  
B. T. Holloway, S. W.  
J. M. Holloway, J. W.
- PERKINS.....No. 150—L. D. Nichols, W. M.  
C. L. Mavor, S. W.  
Michel Leon, J. W.
- EASTERN STAR.....No. 151—Wm. Walker, W. M.  
Jno. A. Dixon, S. W.  
David Pierson, J. W.
- HOMER.....No. 152—G. M. Killgore, W. M.  
D. H. Dyer, S. W.  
A. C. Hill, J. W.
- SAINTS JOHN.....No. 153—A. B. Seger, W. M.  
L. J. Dodge, S. W.  
Thos. K. Porter, J. W.

CHERRY RIDGE.....	No. 155—	M. T. Simmons, W. M. J. A. Crawford, S. W. Geo. Finton, J. W.
KISSATCHIE.....	No. 156—	Jas. K. Phares, W. M. L. J. Lash, S. W. (A. C. Wilbur, proxy.) J. T. McNeely, J. W.
GROSSE TETE.....	No. 157—	Jno. S. Whitney, W. M. J. A. Young, S. W. H. Sigler, J. W.
RAPIDES.....	No. 158—	G. B. Burr, W. M. G. A. Smith, S. W. J. P. Eddleman, J. W.
LIVINGSTON .....	No. 160—	A. B. Robertson, W. M. S. S. Hoyt, S. W. Wm. Akers, J. W.
BROOKVILLE.....	U. D.—	(D. S. Beauchamp, Delegate.)
ATCHAFALAYA.....	U. D.—	(J. Robinson, Delegate.)
LAKE CHARLES.....	U. D.—	(Joel Sanders, Delegate.)

Fraternally submitted,

CHAS. R. PURDY,	}	Committee.
JACOB A. COHEN,		
RICH'D B. LAWRENCE,		

A roll of Lodges was then called, and the following entitled to a representation, were present :

Nos. 3, 4, L. O. 5, ST. A. 5, 44, 45, 46, 47, 50, 51, 53, 55, 57, 58, 59, 61, 63, 65, 66, 68, 75, 76, 77, 78, 87, 98, 99, 102, 103, 109, 110, 112, 120, 124, 127, 129, 132, 135, 140, 141, 145, 147, 151, 152, 153, 155, 158, 160—Total, 48 Chartered Lodges and Lake Charles, Atchafalaya, Brookville, U. D.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced the following

### STANDING COMMITTEES.

#### On Audit and Accounts.

EDWARD BARNETT.....	Representing	Monticello Lodge...	No. 92.
F. H. HATCH.....	"	Red Land Lodge,	" 148.
WM. C. DRIVER.....	"	Louisiana Lodge,	" 102.

#### On Chartered Lodges.

JOHN C. GORDY.....	Representing	Franklin Lodge.....	No. 57.
J. C. BATCHELOR.....	Grand Marshal.		
A. S. WASHBURN.....	Representing	Bartholomew Lodge,	No. 112.

#### On Lodges Under Dispensation.

JOHN L. BARRETT....	Representing	Union Fraternal Lodge,	No. 53.
L. R. CURTIS.....	"	J. W. of Franklin "	" 57.
D. E. SCRUGGS.....	"	Cloutierville "	" 103.

#### On Appeals and Grievances.

H. R. SWASEY.....	Representing	G. Washington Lodge,	No. 65.
WM. M. PERKINS....	"	Marion "	" 68.
H. REGENBURG.....	"	Urim "	" 111.
A. J. NORWOOD.....	"	Kellertown "	" 124.
G. W. MUNDAY.....	"	Olive "	" 52.
A. B. SEGER.....	"	Saints John "	" 153.
SAMUEL HARBY.....	"	Friends of Harmony "	" 58.

The M. W. Grand Master, SAMUEL M. TODD, then read to the Grand Lodge the following address :

BRETHREN—We are once more gathered together in Grand Lodge, as representatives of the Masonry of Louisiana. Coming together under the propitious circumstances which surround us—to review the transactions of the year and take concert for the future—let it be our first duty to return our thanks to our Supreme Master for the protection extended over us since our last communication, and to implore his watchful care, that the labor we are about to engage in may meet with his Divine favor, and redound to the Beauty, the Wisdom, and the Strength of our Order.

By His blessing it is that I am able to announce to you that Masonry in Louisiana is in a highly prosperous condition. Its beneficent principles, and the happy results for which it is conspicuous, are drawing large numbers into its fold. Within its wide community a brotherly harmony prevails, with only such slight exceptions as belong to institutions which are merely human, and these are passing away. Our great brotherhood, growing in members and in unity, increases its capacity and its will to disseminate light and knowledge, cultivate charity and good works, and promote happiness.

The state of Masonry beyond our own jurisdiction will be made known to you by the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. The fullness of their former reports is sufficient assurance that ample and accurate accounts, from every quarter, will be gathered and presented to you.

The past year has been one of unusual prosperity to the people of this State; we have had in this city entire exemption from the dread epidemic which in many former years scattered disease and death amongst us. But few of our fraternity have been taken from us, and yet amongst those few, are some who stood highest and most honored in our ranks. Two Past Grand Masters have been summoned to the Grand Lodge above. Robert Preaux, who presided over this Grand Lodge in 1845, and who had held the responsible position of Deputy Grand Master in 1844 and 1847, a citizen universally loved and respected, died in this city on the 5th of May last. In September following, our much loved and venerated brother, Amos Adams, was also removed by death. The services of this lamented brother in the cause of Masonry, are too well known and appreciated by the members of this Grand Lodge to require any mention by me. The brethren of St. James Lodge, No. 47, have transmitted a series of appropriate resolutions adopted by them in memory of this eminent Mason, which are appended hereto.

I have also to announce the death of two other members of this Grand Lodge. Brother J. W. Seymour, Past Master of St. James Lodge, No. 47, who was one of the unfortunate victims of the explosion of the steamer Princess, and of Brother Samuel Davis, W. M. of Darlington Lodge, No. 149, who for the last two years had presided over this Lodge, and had just been elected for another term.

Death has also been busy in other jurisdictions. It was my inten-

tion to appoint as our Representative near the Grand Lodge of Maine, M. W. Brother Robert P. Dunlap ; but before his credentials were prepared, I received intelligence of his death. Another bright star missing from the galaxy of Masonry !

I have also received official notice of the death of R. W. Brother William C. Barker, late Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island ; a Mason who had devoted nearly forty years of his life to the cause of Masonry, holding during this time many offices of trust and honor in the fraternity.

I have appointed and commissioned R. W. Brother E. A. Hodson as the Representative of this Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, and have welcomed as the Representative of that Grand Body at this East, R. W. Brother Samuel G. Risk.

Upon reference to the proceedings of the last Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, I find that Brother Hodson was received by the Grand Master with a warm fraternal welcome, as the Representative of Masonry in Louisiana. The response of Brother Hodson is so replete with brotherly sentiments that I extract the concluding portion, which exhibits the true light in which Masons, throughout the whole extent of our common country, should regard each other :

“The warmth with which you have greeted me, as the Representative of a  
“Grand Lodge from the Southern border of this Union, is peculiarly striking,  
“when considered in connection with the political complexion of the times—a  
“complexion begotten by contact of opposite principles—a red complexion gene-  
“rated by fire, like the flaming sword that hung over Jerusalem. God forbid that  
“it should prove alike portentous! As Masons, we are not disturbed by such  
“phenomena. The harmony of our Temple is never marred by the sound of ‘the  
“axe or hammer, or any tool of iron ;’ for Masonry embraces not merely the four  
“cardinal points, but with the whole *thirty-two* encircles the world. Her unity is  
“sealed with the signet of Jehovah. So mote it be.”

I have issued new commissions to the brethren previously appointed to represent the Grand Lodge of Louisiana near their Grand Lodges respectively. I hope that in a few years this Grand Lodge will be represented at all the Grand Lodges on this Continent, thus strengthening the bonds of fraternal love between the members of our great brotherhood. At present our representation consists of the following :



M. W. LUKE E. BARBOUR, near the Grand Lodge of Arkansas.			
M. W. WILLIAM P. CHILTON, “ “ “ Alabama.	“	“	“
R. W. JAMES M. AUSTIN, “ “ “ New York.	“	“	“
R. W. WILLIAM P. RUSSELL, “ “ “ Vermont.	“	“	“
R. W. JAMES A. LEITCH, “ “ “ Virginia.	“	“	“
R. W. E. A. HODSON, “ “ “ Minnesota.	“	“	“

The following Grand Lodges are represented near this Grand Lodge :

Arkansas.....by.....R. W. Brother THOMAS H. LEWIS.			
Alabama..... “ “ “ SAMUEL M. TODD.	“	“	“
Minnesota..... “ “ “ SAMUEL G. RISK.	“	“	“
New York..... “ “ “ ROBERT F. MCGUIRE.	“	“	“
Vermont..... “ “ “ J. Q. A. FELLOWS.	“	“	“

I present to the Grand Lodge the credentials of R. W. Brother Antonio Costa, as the Representative of the “Grand Lodge National of the Dominican Republic,” which were transmitted to me last November; but which, having duly acknowledged, I deemed it my duty to present for your recognition, that an excellent brother might be fraternally welcomed at this East, as the Representative of the body whose appointment he holds, should the same be found, upon examination, to be a legally constituted Grand Lodge of Masons.

Brother Costa also presents a communication from the “Grand Orient of Uruguay, in the Valley of Montevideo,” which desires to establish fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of this State, and which I recommend to your favorable consideration.

In June last, with the assistance of Brother Grand Secretary, I divided the Lodges of the State into twelve districts, and appointed the following brethren as Special District Deputy Grand Masters, reserving for my personal inspection the Lodges located in the parish of Orleans, constituting it District No. 1, and appointing

M. W. Brother AMOS ADAMS.....of Baton Rouge.....District No. 2.			
R. W. Brother A. J. NORWOOD .....of Clinton..... “ “ 3.	“	“	“
R. W. Brother THOMAS H. LEWIS...of Opelousas..... “ “ 4.	“	“	“
R. W. Brother S. O. SCRUGGS.....of Clouterville..... “ “ 5.	“	“	“
W. Brother W. M. TEW.....of Harrisonburg..... “ “ 6.	“	“	“
R. W. Brother G. D. SHADBURNE...of Richmond ..... “ “ 7.	“	“	“
W. Brother J. D. CAWTHON.....of Ringgold..... “ “ 8.	“	“	“
W. Brother J. H. SUTHERLIN.....of Mansfield ..... “ “ 9.	“	“	“
R. W. Brother A. S. WASHBURN .....of Bastrop ..... “ “ 10.	“	“	“
W. Brother CHARLES CHAFFE.....of Minden..... “ “ 11.	“	“	“
W. Brother JOHN C. JONES.....of Vernon ..... “ “ 12.	“	“	“

M. W. Brother Amos Adams having died, I appointed in his place R. W. Brother A. G. Carter, of Port Hudson.

W. Brother William M. Tew having declined his appointment, on account of being unable from illness to visit the Lodges of his district, I appointed W. Brother W. L. De Graffenreidt, of Castor Lodge, No. 109.

I have received reports from R. W. Brother Thomas H. Lewis, W. Brother Charles Chaffe, W. Brother J. D. Cawthon, R. W. Brother G. D. Shadburne, R. W. Brother A. S. Washburn, R. W. Brother S. O. Scruggs, and W. Brother A. G. Carter, which are herewith appended, and to which I ask your attention.

At the solicitation of the Trustees of the Female Masonic College at Bastrop, and with the approval of the Standing Committee on Work, who had held several conferences with this brother, I appointed Brother Charles W. Millard, Special Deputy Grand Master, with authority to visit all the Lodges in this jurisdiction, and to instruct in the work and lectures of Freemasonry such Lodges and brethren as might desire his services. I also furnished him with a letter recommendatory of one great object of his mission, which was, to obtain aid for the "Bastrop Masonic Female College," in accordance with the resolution adopted by the Grand Lodge at its session in 1858.

In addition to the three Delegates to the Chicago Convention announced at the last Annual Communication, I appointed the following brothers: Edward Barnett, W. P. Coleman, Henry R. Swasey and A. B. Seger. Several of the Delegates were present and took part in the proceedings of this Convention, and will present to you a report of its doings, and ask your action thereon.

At the request of the members of St. André Lodge, No. 5, I convened the Grand Lodge on the 27th day of February, at the Hall of said Lodge, for the purpose of re-constituting this Lodge under the legal Masonic jurisdiction of the State, and re-dedicating their Hall to the solemn purposes of pure Freemasonry.

Several members of this Lodge, who had not been present at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, were at this assembly restored to good standing and membership in ample form; and thus was perfected the good work begun at our last regular communication, and this old and respectable Lodge received again within our

sacred Temple. Many brethren were present, and the proceedings were characterized by the utmost feelings of harmony; nor did the brethren separate until new pledges of love and friendship were interchanged. The transactions of this Special Communication were published with the proceedings of last year, and are accordingly well known to your Most Worshipful Body. This Lodge has continued to work regularly during the year; and having been specially invited, in December last I proceeded with several members of the Grand Lodge, and installed their officers for the present term. I found a large number of the craft present, and the best feeling prevailing.

A number of Masons residing at Lake Charles, parish of Calcasieu, being desirous of forming themselves into a Lodge, had associated themselves together for that purpose, and obtained, through the instrumentality of one James K. Belden, what they supposed to be a Dispensation from our late Grand Master Adams, and under this authority met regularly as a Lodge during part of the year 1858, and until the assembling of the Grand Lodge, in February, 1859, when, desiring a Charter, the members placed the Dispensation under which they had been working, with a copy of their proceedings, in the hands of the said Belden, furnishing him, at the same time, with the requisite funds for that purpose. After waiting a considerable time the brethren became impatient, and addressed letters of inquiry to Past Grand Master Adams and to the Grand Secretary, when, for the first time, it was discovered that the pretended Dispensation was a forgery, and that no such document had ever been issued by the Grand Master. Finding themselves in this unpleasant position, the brethren at Lake Charles made a full representation of these facts, and applied for a Dispensation to open a regular Lodge, procuring the recommendation of Tunica Lodge, No. 63, and the warm personal recommendation of R. W. Brother Thomas H. Lewis.

Having satisfied myself fully of the correctness of these statements, and of the true Masonic feeling which actuated these brethren, on the 20th of June I granted the Dispensation asked for, and issued a Special Commission to R. W. Brother Thomas H. Lewis, authorizing him to heal such worthy members of the irregular body as had received their degrees whilst working under the forged Dispensation, and to organize and set the Lodge regularly at work.

This duty was satisfactorily performed by R. W. Brother Lewis, in July last, and full returns made to the office of the Grand Secre-

tary. The Grand Lodge was fortunate in having a brother so well versed in Masonic knowledge to take charge of this business ; and the brethren of Lake Charles Lodge equally so, in being placed under the care of so distinguished a Mason, having the benefit of his wise counsel against future errors and impostures.

I have issued Dispensations to Brookville, Burnsville, and Atchafalaya Lodges, as authorized by resolutions of the Grand Lodge at its last Annual Communication ; and also to a number of brethren at Columbia, Caldwell parish, to organize a Lodge, to be called "Columbia Lodge," the latter having been recommended by Harrisonburg Lodge, No. 110.

OLIVE LODGE, No. 52.—I received a very pressing invitation from the brethren of this Lodge to be present at, and officiate in, laying the corner-stone, on the 18th of October, of the "Masonic Lodge and Male Academy" to be erected by the brethren at Clinton. I regretted very much that I was unable to be present on this interesting occasion ; but this ceremony was duly performed by R. W. Brother A. J. Norwood, Senior Grand Warden, whom I deputized to act in my place.

LOS AMIGOS DEL ORDEN LODGE, No. 5.—In March last I received a communication from Brother C. De Grijalva, complaining of the action of Los Amigos del Orden Lodge, in expelling him from the Lodge, without observing the forms, and without complying with the requirements of the By-Laws and Regulations of the Grand Lodge. Finding this statement to be verified by an official communication from the Lodge to me, I addressed the W. Master upon this subject, pointing out the duty of the Lodge. I had afterwards an interview with the leading members of the Lodge, and finally attended a meeting of the Lodge, called at my request ; and although much feeling had been manifested during the discussion of this matter, yet in the end good counsels prevailed, Brother De Grijalva was replaced in good standing, and harmony restored to the Lodge.

TRINITY LODGE, No. 105.—I received a letter from Brother Jacob Peebles, W. Master of this Lodge, informing me that there was great want of harmony and good feeling amongst the brethren of this Lodge, and desiring to resign his office, as he had moved into another jurisdiction. Our regulations forbidding his resignation, I advised him to continue his fostering care by writing to the Lodge, to impress upon the Wardens of the Lodge the great responsibility which

rested upon them during his compelled absence, and the importance of attending faithfully to the duties which now devolved upon them. I regret to learn that this Lodge has failed to elect its officers for the present year, and that its members intend surrendering the Charter of the Lodge at this communication. It would be well for the worthy brethren of this Lodge to consider carefully whether they have exhausted all means in their power of reviving the Lodge and continuing its usefulness, before proceeding to this extreme course. With a roll of nearly fifty members, it seems to me that enough good material must exist within the Lodge to prevent its dissolution.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE, No. 4.—In May last I received a petition signed by a majority of the members of this Lodge, which is appended to this address, whose charter had been surrendered by them in 1858; and having been well satisfied from the representations made by these Brethren, that their withdrawal had been the result of a false rumor circulated by the enemies of Masonry, that this Grand Lodge was about to enact at that time some oppressive laws tending to deprive these Brethren of some of their inherent rights and privileges; and being well satisfied also, that no Masonic degrees had been conferred by them during the time of their suspension from membership, and believing that this Lodge would now recommence its labors under brighter auspices and prospects of permanency and usefulness, I convened a Special Communication of the Grand Lodge at the new Hall erected by the members of Perseverance Lodge, and with the assistance of our venerable Brother, Past Grand Master John H. Holland, again received this Lodge within our fold, restored their Charter, and installed their officers.

On application of the W. Master of this Lodge, I granted a dispensation authorizing the Lodge to act upon the petition of "Geromio Dominico Paoli and Jerome Martin," dispensing with the time required in the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge after the reception of a petition before final action, as it was shown that the petitions of these gentlemen had been in the hands of the members of Perseverance Lodge for several months, awaiting the time when the Lodge, being received back into the Grand Lodge, might proceed to work regularly under their restored Charter.

ALPHA LODGE, No. 72, AND HOME LODGE, No. 142.—In November last the members of these two Lodges, deeming it best for their mutual interests, severally adopted resolutions to unite into one Lodge,

to be styled Alpha Home Lodge, No. 72, and made application to me to sanction and approve the same; believing this action to have been the result of mature deliberation on the part of the Brethren of these Lodges, and calculated to strengthen Masonry in this district if carried into effect, I gave a Dispensation authorizing the change, permitting the members of these two Lodges to assemble and work under the name of "Alpha Home Lodge, No. 72," until the meeting of the Grand Lodge. I recommend the granting of a Charter bearing the name and number selected by these Brethren.

I have also granted a Dispensation to this Lodge to act upon the petition for affiliation of Brother Fred. A. Dentzel waiving the time required by the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge, sufficient reasons having been given why this should be done.

NAPOLEON LODGE, No. 94.—In September, I granted permission to this Lodge to change its place of meeting from near Marion to Ouachita City, as its former location was within four miles of DeWitt Clinton Lodge, No. 80, whilst the location selected was distant fully twelve miles from any other Lodge.

SILENT BROTHERHOOD LODGE, No. 146.—The By-Laws adopted by this Lodge have been submitted for my inspection and approval, but finding them to contain several provisions which this Grand Lodge has decided to be improper, and others contrary to the constitutional regulations of this body, I returned them to the Lodge, noting my objections, and suggested the adoption of the Code recommended by the Grand Lodge in 1857.

ATCHAFALAYA LODGE, U. D.—In May last I granted a Dispensation to the W. Master of this Lodge to waive a provision of its By-Laws, authorizing him to confer the degree of Fellow Craft upon Brother S. Milton Wells, and at the same communication to ballot for the said Brother, and if elected, to raise him to the sublime degree of Master Mason; requiring the Lodge, however, to hold the examination of the candidate in open Lodge, and to comply with all other requirements of the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge.

ST. ALBANS LODGE, No. 28.—This Lodge having failed to elect their officers in time to comply with the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge, requiring Installations to take place on or before the Anniversary of St. John the Evangelist, I issued a Dispensation authorizing the Installation to take place afterwards.

CONCORDE LODGE, No. 3.—This Lodge asked permission to waive

a portion of the time required in the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge in order that they might act at once upon a petition from Mr. Pietro y Armas for initiation; said petition having been before the Lodge for twenty days, and sufficient reasons being given, I granted a Dispensation as requested.

DARLINGTON LODGE, No. 149.—After the lamented death of Brother Samuel Davis, W. M., this Lodge asked for a Dispensation to permit them to fill the vacancy caused by his death, but not thinking such a course necessary, or in accordance with ancient usage, and believing that the Senior Warden of a Lodge exercises the duties and privileges of W. Master in the event of the absence, disqualification, or death of the latter, as a *vested right*, I declined to give such an authorization.

GEORGE WASHINGTON LODGE, No. 65.—Having received a communication from the W. Master of this Lodge complaining of the action of Independent Orange Lodge, No. 138, of Orange Court House, Virginia, in conferring the degrees of Fellow Craft and Master Mason upon an Entered Apprentice belonging to George Washington Lodge, without its consent or knowledge, I addressed a letter to M. W. Brother Powhatan B. Starke, Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, calling his attention to this fact, and have no doubt that proper explanations will be made and due caution given against a recurrence of such a violation of Masonic law and usage.

POLAR STAR LODGE, No. 1, AND FOYER MAÇONNIQUE LODGE, No. 44.—In July last, during the absence from the city of Brother J. Q. A. Fellows, I received a note from his law partner, Mr. J. S. Whitaker, informing me that it would be necessary, in order to carry the case of Foyer Maçonique Lodge—decided in the lower court against the regular members of that Lodge—to the Supreme Court, to give bond in the sum of “twenty-three hundred dollars.” This amount was thought by Mr. Whitaker and myself as being placed unreasonably high; but deeming it best to have this case brought before a tribunal where it could be impartially tried upon its merits, and a decision given upon the important points involved, I gave my personal recognizance for that amount.

The costs in this case, and also in that of Polar Star Lodge, have been paid by my order, as will appear from the report of Brother Grand Secretary.

For the present position of these suits, I refer you to the statement

of Brother Fellows, in reply to my inquiries upon this subject, herewith appended.

I have refused in a number of instances to grant Dispensations, where the reasons given by the applicants did not appear sufficient to authorize me to set aside any of the positive enactments of the Grand Lodge ; and in every case where I have exercised this great authority, I have done so with much reluctance, and only where the exigencies of the particular case seemed to require it.

Many persons who have lived for years in the vicinity of Masonic Lodges, without ever manifesting any desire to become acquainted with our mysteries, suddenly, when about to undertake a journey, make application to become Masons. If successful, and hurried through the several degrees without due preparation, they are sent abroad, crude and untutored in our beautiful art, scarcely able to make themselves known as Masons, reflecting no credit upon the Lodge which sent them forth, or upon the fraternity; not feeling a due reverence for an institution about which they know so little, and into which they had obtained so easy an admittance. I do not think it just to either the candidate or to the fraternity to confer the degrees of Masonry in a hasty and imperfect manner, or to omit the instructions so necessary to a full understanding of our ceremonies. It is better for the interests of our Order that we should less desire to make many Masons, than to make worthy and well-instructed Masons.

I have been called upon during my term of office to explain and decide many points of Masonic law and usage. Many of these questions have been answered by simple reference to the regulations governing the Masons in this State. But there have been others, to which I ask your attention, and shall be happy to be governed by your mature judgment, should any of these decisions be shown to be erroneous.

I have been requested to give authority to confer the degrees of Masonry upon petitioners residing in the State of Arkansas, but near the line of this State, and in the vicinity of some of the Lodges of this jurisdiction. The Grand Lodge of Arkansas having accorded permission to Lodges of other jurisdictions to initiate residents of that State who live near its borders, I have only thought it necessary to require that the Lodge in the State of Arkansas, located nearest the residence of the applicant, should be notified of such application



and its sanction obtained ; but that in all similar cases, excepting those of petitions from residents of the State of Arkansas, Lodges in this jurisdiction should be governed strictly by the provisions of Section 3, Article III, By-Laws of our Grand Lodge.

At the last Annual Communication the following question was submitted by Brother H. H. Dentzel, of Marion Lodge, No. 68, and referred to me :

“ In what standing is a member or members of a Subordinate Lodge, who, for  
“ the character of the Lodge and the Masonic fraternity in general, bring charges  
“ against a member thereof for misconduct ?

“ Are those members, by virtue of being accusers, deprived of their vote on the  
“ trial of the accused, or not ? ”

To these questions I replied, that there can be no doubt as to the Masonic standing of a brother who makes a charge against another brother ; not being himself under charges, his standing is not affected. But I hold that a member who prefers charges against a brother Mason cannot *vote* upon the trial of the accused. Such has been the almost universal practice in all Masonic trials—such was the provision of our former Grand Lodge Constitution ; and, after much research, I have been unable to find authority for a contrary course.

The accuser in a Masonic trial occupies the position of a prosecutor in a public trial, and strict justice to the accused requires that his judges should be composed of those only who can impartially hear and decide upon the testimony brought before them, which could hardly be expected of one whose preconceived opinions have induced him to become instrumental in bringing the charges before the Lodge. The principle remains the same, whether there should be one or more accusers.

I have also rendered the following decisions :

That it is improper for Lodges in the city of New Orleans to receive and act upon petitions from any but actual residents of the city, unless the applicant should reside nearer and more conveniently to some Lodge in the city than to any other.

That Lodges in the country should usually be governed by parish lines ; but that when a petitioner resides much nearer a Lodge without his parish than to one within its boundary, the former may receive his petition, but in all such cases, Masonic courtesy, as well as the intent of Section 8, Chapter 2, Article II, By-Laws of the Grand

Lodge, require the Lodge to which the petitioner applies to give due notice of such application to the Lodges situated in the parish in which the applicant resides, and especially to the Lodge situated nearest his place of residence within his parish.

That a petitioner for degrees is not the proper judge of the question of "convenience of residence," but that there should exist an undoubted and indisputable difference in favor of the Lodge to which he applies, in order to permit an applicant to travel out of his parish to receive Masonic degrees.

That no one can be admitted to a participation of our mysteries, even after undergoing the ordeal of the ballot, so long as a brother of the Lodge objects to him as unworthy. If, however, the candidate has received his first degree, and has been elected to receive his second, he cannot be stopped except by having charges preferred against him.

That every Mason possesses the right to object to the introduction of a candidate into a Lodge, but he should make known the reason of such objection, when it would be the duty of a Lodge to consider and weigh the objection carefully, and if deemed valid, exclude the candidate from the portals of Freemasonry until fully satisfied of his worthiness.

That a Lodge cannot, by a simple resolution, legally reinstate as a member a brother who has previously demitted, but to whom the certificate of demit has not been issued by the Secretary; for, although the brother had not received his certificate, yet his demit having been granted by the Lodge, its non-issuance does not affect his position as a demitted or unaffiliated Mason.

That it would be improper to reconsider any resolution of the Lodge at any meeting subsequent to the one on which it was adopted, no notice being given at the time of the adoption of said resolution.

That a petition for a Dispensation to open a new Lodge should be accompanied by the certificate of demits of all the petitioners who are unaffiliated Masons, or if members of Lodges, their certificates of good standing.

That Article IV, Chapter 3, By-Laws of the Grand Lodge abrogates and repeals all former rules, resolutions and edicts of this Grand Lodge, and therefore leaves them with only the force of precedent.

That, as a general principle, every Mason in good standing has the right to demit from his Lodge, should he desire to do so, upon his

payment of all dues, and his proportion of all liabilities of the Lodge, should it be involved in debt, if nothing in his character or conduct can be alleged against him to debar him from this privilege.

I conceive it to be the duty of every Mason to remain a contributing member of some Lodge, yet as we all came voluntarily into the Order of Masonry, the performance of our Masonic duties should also depend upon the free exercise of our will. Every Mason in this jurisdiction should know that if he remains unaffiliated for twelve months, he loses many Masonic privileges, and I cannot admit of any excuse for the non-performance of this duty; poverty cannot be urged, for every Lodge, upon a proper representation, would cheerfully remit dues that the brother found himself unable to pay, or extend the time of payment until the brother was able to bear his proportion of the common expenses. Many brethren, however, who have for years faithfully performed their Masonic duties in the Lodge, when old age and infirmities have come upon them, feel that they should be released from the active duties of the Lodge and relieved from bearing its burdens. Our former Grand Lodge Constitution made provision for those who had for ten years been contributing members of Lodges in this jurisdiction; and it would perhaps be advisable that a similar clause should be added to our present regulations, in order that old and experienced Masons might be induced to continue their membership in Lodges, giving the benefit of their wise counsels to their younger brethren.

That no Lodge can be legally opened, or any business transacted, unless the Worshipful Master or one of the Wardens be present.

That Section 4, Article III, Chapter 2, By-Laws of the Grand Lodge means literally, that no brother, except the accused or some brother representing him, has the right to address the Lodge either for or against the accused. But that the W. Master certainly possesses the privilege of stating the question to the Lodge, and should do so previous to the ballot being taken, charging the brethren as to their duty in the premises according to Masonic law and usage, and their understanding of the evidence adduced on the trial.

I have received a number of communications upon the subject of striking members from the roll for non-payment of dues. I am inclined to the opinion that this course is not the best one to be pursued towards non-paying members; a better one is to prefer charges of "unmasonic conduct" against those who "*withhold money due*

*the Lodge, being fully able to pay the same,"* bringing them before the Lodge for trial, and if found guilty, to suspend them.

That it is contrary to the voluntary character of our institution to compel a brother to accept an office, which he felt unwilling to fill or unable to perform the duties of; for although it is a well settled principle in Masonry that no brother should seek office, or decline one without good and sufficient reasons, yet if the brother elected to office feels himself incapable of performing its duties, he would be acting properly and Masonically in declining to serve.

That it is highly improper for any Lodge to issue any pamphlet reflecting in any manner upon the Grand Lodge or any sister Lodge; and that no Lodge should publish or bring any Masonic matters before the public, by circular or otherwise, without submitting the same to the Grand Lodge, and obtaining its sanction.

In answer to the question, "How many can be initiated at one time? and how many Passed at one and the same communication?" I replied that one of the General Regulations forbid the "making of more than five new brethren at one time," and this regulation has almost universally been interpreted to mean that no more than five degrees shall be conferred at any one meeting without a Dispensation, but I know of no other positive law upon the subject, and the custom of the fraternity is not uniform. I doubt very much the propriety of conferring the first section of either of the degrees of Masonry upon more than one at a time, or of "Raising" more than one at the same time to the "sublime degree of a Master Mason," as, according to my views a greater number would detract from the impressiveness and solemnity of our ceremonies. As many as five may pass through the second section of the Fellow Craft without objection, and the lectures of the degrees communicated to as many at a time as convenient. I am aware that a practice prevails in many Lodges contrary to these expressed views; but, although I consider such work objectionable for the reasons before stated, I am not prepared to declare it in anywise illegal, in the absence of any regulation of our Grand Lodge upon this subject.

I have given opinions upon many other points of Masonic law and usage, in respect to which the correspondence can be found upon record in the office of the Grand Secretary. In this address I have only presented what I deemed might be of general interest.

The number of clandestine Lodges in this city appears to have

increased since our last assembly, judging from their advertisements. The instigators of these illegal and self-constituted associations have grown bolder in their movements, and have attempted to extend their organization into the rural districts of our State, without however having attained more than a slight foothold. During the past year I have received several communications from persons who have been deceived into joining one or another of these pretended Masonic Lodges. One, indignant at the deceit practised upon him, writes that after being furnished with a diploma signed by the officers of the self-styled "Supreme Council," he took his departure for foreign countries, but that his profession as the master of a vessel soon showed him the irregularity of that false jurisdiction; "for (he says) "every where I presented myself, in Marseilles, London, Gibraltar, "New York, etc., I was shamefully rejected as a clandestine Mason."

In this case, and in others where the parties applying were known to be worthy men, who had been induced to join these irregular bodies through a misconception of their true character, I have been solicited to grant Dispensations to permit them to be healed, and admitted amongst us as regular Masons; but, deeming the rule adopted by the Grand Lodge at its last session to be the correct one under every view of Masonic law and good policy, I have uniformly refused. I am informed that a number of similar applications will be made direct to your M. W. Body at this communication, which you will dispose of as your best judgment shall dictate.

Notwithstanding all that has been published in your proceedings guarding the fraternity against these pretenders to Masonry, I have found it necessary to write to brethren in several of the adjoining States upon this subject, as I have successively learned of the attempt of these persons to visit Masonic Lodges, representing themselves as regular Masons, although the organization to which they belong is not recognized by Masons in any portion of the globe. I would not advise any departure from the course hitherto pursued, of treating all published communications from this illegal body with silence; but I think it highly necessary that every Lodge in this country should be furnished with a list of the regular Masonic Lodges in this city and State, and a similar list sent to our brethren in all the principal cities of the world, as a plain act of duty to our brothers everywhere to protect them against imposition.

AFRICAN LODGES.—I have been written to several times respecting

certain Negro Lodges holding their meetings in this city. I supposed that every Mason in this country was aware of the illegal character of these associations—illegal in a double sense—as being held contrary to the statute law of this State, which forbids the assemblage of negroes, and again as never having had any legal Masonic origin, and not being recognized by any Grand Lodge of Masons in this country.

I have received a courteous communication from Edward Parmele, Esq., Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Clay Monumental Association, informing me that the statue of Henry Clay will be inaugurated on the 12th of April next, and inviting in the name of the committee “The Masons of Louisiana to assist in the ceremonies of that day, memorable as the anniversary of the birth-day of one of the most illustrious members of their order.”

I have requested Brother Grand Secretary to notify the Lodges of this jurisdiction of the approaching ceremony, in order that all in the State, who desired, might be present and participate in this celebration, and I trust that the Grand Lodge will deem the matter worthy of special attention.

It is the glory of Masonry to have had enrolled among her members most of the great men who have contributed to the renown and greatness of our country, and it will be her pride, as it is her duty, on this occasion, to come forth in her most imposing ceremonial, to honor the memory of one of her noblest brethren, and one of the loftiest intellects and purest patriots of the age.

AMERICAN MASONIC HOME.—The brethren of our fraternity in the District of Columbia have started a noble project, which should receive the approval and active coöperation of the craft throughout our Union.

“The object is to establish an institution to supply a deficiency long existing “in American Freemasonry, in the want of a well-endowed National Institution “for the maintenance and education of the widows and orphans of American “Freemasons. The plan has met with the hearty approval of many of the most “illustrious of the craft, and it is confidently hoped that the patient care bestowed “upon organizing the movement will result in full success.”

I invite your attention to the pamphlet, in which the plan of this institution is fully explained.

I also present for your consideration a pamphlet containing the plan of a “Model Farm,” with a communication from Brother Ad.

Rinck, urging this matter upon the consideration of his brethren of this State.

I submit to you, also, a bill of Pacific Lodge, No. 33, I. O. O. F., against Patrick Henry Lodge, No. 127, for rent of Hall, seven months, amounting to \$49. This bill is accompanied by a communication from Edward Pillsbury, Esq., Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows of this State, asking that proper steps be taken to secure its payment, if consistent with the laws of your Grand Body. I advise its reference to an appropriate committee.

In accordance with the action of the Grand Lodge at the last Annual Communication, I caused a copy of the charges against Brother M. J. Birdsong, late W. M. of Liberty Lodge, No. 123, to be transmitted to his address; and having waited for several months without receiving any reply, I issued a commission to Brother W. M. Turner, W. M. of Liberty Lodge, No. 123, to take testimony in this case, which will doubtless be presented at this session.

Charges of unmasonic conduct have been preferred against the W. Masters of three Lodges of this jurisdiction, in each of which cases answer having been made, testimony has been taken, and will be submitted for your action.

In two of these cases question was made as to the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge in the matter, as the brothers charged had ceased to occupy the position of W. M. at the time a copy of the charges was served upon them, and in one of them before the charges were presented. I decided, that as the charges were founded upon alleged unmasonic conduct on the part of these brethren whilst holding the position of W. M. of a Lodge, the investigation and trial should properly be held before the Grand Lodge.

Another disagreeable case of this nature will also come before you in the person of the Grand Tyler and Keeper of the Grand Lodge Hall, Joseph Chellet, who had also been elected and installed as the W. M. of Orleans Lodge, No. 78, for the present year. I felt impelled by a strict sense of duty to suspend this brother from the exercise of his duties as W. Master and Grand Tyler, and have also accepted his resignation of Grand Lodge Hall Keeper. The papers in this case will be submitted to the appropriate committee.

I have no doubt that the Grand Lodge, in the consideration and disposition of these cases, whilst manifesting that charity which is

the due of every brother, will not fail to be governed by strict principles of JUSTICE.

I have appointed W. Brother James B. Scot, Grand Tyler, to fill the unexpired term of Brother Chellet, and the Board of Directors of the Grand Lodge Hall have also selected this brother as Grand Lodge Hall Keeper. I cannot but congratulate the Grand Lodge upon having secured the services of so worthy and exemplary a brother to fill these important offices.

LOUISIANA RELIEF LODGE, No. 1, has continued its even course, as in former years, distributing its charities with discriminating care. The beneficent character of this Lodge of Relief has attracted the favorable notice of the brethren of our Order throughout the country. I trust that the Grand Lodge will continue to this institution its countenance and support.

GRAND LODGE HALL.—The last notes for the purchase of this Hall were paid in March last, and the only debt now hanging over this building is the amount due to brethren of our fraternity, who have generously loaned their money to the Grand Lodge. A full statement of the transactions of the Board, with a history of all past transactions, as promised at our last Annual Communication, will be submitted by a member who, having had nearly the entire management of this important matter, from the beginning to the present time, will be able to present much interesting information upon this subject, and to give many valuable suggestions as to the future direction of this building and its revenues.

GRAND LODGE LIBRARY.—It is advisable also that you should make some provision at this time for the care and management of the Grand Lodge Library, which has been enriched during the past year by many valuable additions, and has now become one of the most valuable Masonic libraries in this country. It is necessary that it should be made the duty of some one to arrange and to be intrusted with the preservation and safe-keeping of the books belonging to the Grand Lodge, and that you should prepare proper rules for his guidance.

I have now presented, in detail, all such transactions of the past year as I have judged of such interest as to require the consideration of the Grand Lodge. I respectfully ask for such action upon them as in your wisdom, after calm deliberation, shall seem to you best



calculated to promote the interests of our time-honored institution and of the Fraternity of Louisiana.

In conclusion, I desire to return my unaffected thanks to the members of the Grand Lodge, and my Masonic brethren, for the many acts of personal kindness, and Masonic courtesy, which I have received at their hands during my official term; for their indulgence towards the errors I may have committed, and their appreciation of my desire to act, under all circumstances for the honor and advancement of our beloved Order.

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**Documents accompanying the above Address.**

OPELOUSAS, August 5, 1859.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the State of Louisiana:*

By virtue of your Special Commission to me, of the 20th of June, 1859, I repaired to Lake Charles, in the parish of Calcasieu, early in July last, and having delivered your Dispensation to form a new Lodge in that place to Brother Joel Sanders, named therein as Worshipful Master, I assisted him and the other brethren of said Lodge to organize and commence work in ancient form.

I also healed the Masons that had been made in good faith in the irregular Lodge that had worked there during a part of the year 1858, they being all found worthy.

I caused a record of all my proceedings in the premises to be made, and signed it, and directed a copy thereof to be transmitted to the M. W. Grand Lodge, with their Dispensation, when they shall apply for a Charter.

From all the circumstances and evidence that have come to my knowledge, I am led to think that the document under which "Lake Charles" Lodge worked last year was forged by J. K. Belden, of that place, and this is the general, if not unanimous, opinion of all the brethren of that place.

They have appointed a committee to take testimony and report to the Lodge, the result of which, I do not doubt, will be the preferring of charges, *by the Lodge*, against Belden.

Very truly and fraternally yours,

THOMAS H. LEWIS, D. D. G. M.

Baton Rouge, February 3, 1860.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the State of Louisiana:*

My private business was of such a nature as to prevent me from visiting most of the Lodges in my Masonic District; but by diligent inquiry I learn that the Lodges in Carroll and Tensas parishes are doing well. Would that I could say as much for Patmos Lodge, No. 97, in Madison parish. There seems in that Lodge to be great apathy and want of attention and zeal on the part of most of the members. For years a very few zealous and faithful Masons have sustained and supported that Lodge, much to their inconvenience. They have continued to do this until patience is no longer a virtue, and they have concluded to surrender to the Grand Lodge their Charter, etc.

The reasons for this step are too many and various here to mention. However, a statement of facts accompanying the surrender will be presented to your Grand Body, and I trust it will receive at the hands of the Grand Lodge, and yours, a favorable consideration.

With a heartfelt wish for the welfare and prosperity of our much loved Order, the above is

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

G. D. SHADBURNE, *D. D. G. M.*

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Minden, December 28, 1859.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the State of Louisiana:*

In compliance with your request of the 4th of August last, I have visited Burnsville Lodge, and worked with them in the Lodge, and gave what instructions I was capable of out of the Lodge for three days, and left them doing, as I considered, good work, and hereby recommend that Lodge to you for a Charter.

I have been at Homer, but could not attend a meeting of their Lodge, but conversed with many brethren about their Lodge, and was informed that peace and harmony prevailed.

The Lodges in Minden—viz: Minden, No. 51, and Huntington No. 141, I have frequently visited, and yesterday installed the officers of both Lodges for the ensuing Masonic year. They are both well conducted, and in a prosperous condition. Minden Lodge, No. 51, has recently lost one of its brightest members—for two years

past its Worshipful Master—Brother W. Lee. He will be buried with Masonic honors to-morrow.

Since April last I have lived on my farm in Bossier parish, twenty-one miles from here; and in consequence of having a very sick family, I have not been able to give more time to the Lodges which you thought proper to honor me with the charge of.

Yours, fraternally,

CHARLES CHAFFE, *D. D. G. M.*

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MOREHOUSE PARISH, LA., January 1, 1860.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the State of Louisiana:*

SIR—As I forewarned you, my personal engagements were of a nature which rendered it impossible for me to visit but a small portion of the Lodges assigned me by your commission of District Deputy Grand Master during the past year.

The only Lodges I have been able to visit are Mount Gerizim, No. 54; Harry Hill, No. 134; Western Star, No. 61; Brookville, U. D., and Bartholomew Lodge, No. 112.

In all these Lodges I have found a few brethren who seemed inspired with proper Masonic zeal, and to them is the prosperity, if not the existence, of these Lodges due. The rank and file of the membership, not only in these, but in the country Lodges generally, which I have heretofore incidentally visited, are extremely remiss in their Masonic duties; and, indeed, it is often difficult, and even in some instances, impossible to assemble a constitutional quorum at the stated meetings.

This state of matters is due to several causes, among the most prominent of which are the following:

In the first place, there is too frequently a want of the necessary knowledge of the work and lectures with the officers of the Lodge themselves, to perform the work correctly or to teach properly the lessons of Masonry. This is a great and the most serious evil, and, indeed, the fruitful source of many of the others. When a candidate who has conceived beforehand an exalted idea of the sublimity and beauty of Masonry, after passing through the ceremonies of initiation, which have been conducted in an awkward and unskilful manner, mingled too often with levity and mirth, retires from the Lodge disappointed, if not disgusted, with what he has witnessed; it is not

surprising that he feels little interest in studying the ritual, and he is induced to proceed only by the hope and assurance that in the succeeding degrees he will find his ideas satisfied; but in this, too, he is often, from like cause, sadly disappointed.

Again, as in most instances, when there is not this culpable ignorance on the part of the officers, they are often in *too great haste*, and leave their work but half done. Although the work, or mere ceremonial be creditably conducted, they are in too great a hurry to complete what they have so well begun. They omit to give the lectures explanatory of our beautiful symbols and significant ceremonies, thereby leaving the impression upon the candidate's mind that he has been carried through a series of unmeaning ceremonies and mere mummary. With these impressions fixed in his mind, it is not surprising that so few seek to perfect themselves in the ritual, being all the while ignorant of the moral of Masonry.

Another source of evil is, the very limited proficiency too often tolerated in candidates on their application for advancement.

Although our regulations require that candidates be examined in open Lodge before being balloted for, it is not unfrequently the case that they can scarce answer a question correctly on the preceding degree; yet, on the plea of "want of opportunity," or on a promise to improve, they are permitted to proceed. This is "a grievous fault, and grievously hath" Masonry "answered it."

These, with many other evils, in the opinion of the undersigned, would be in a great measure obviated by the adoption of a proper system of Masonic instruction, whereby, not only the *work*, but the *morals* of Masonry might be impressed upon the membership of our Lodges. Permit me, therefore, to again call your attention to the plan suggested in my report of last year, which is, with perhaps some modifications, in successful operation in several of the neighboring Grand Lodge jurisdictions.

With my sincere wishes for your own happiness, and the prosperity of our beloved Order, I am, Most Worshipful Sir,

Very respectfully,

A. S. WASHBURN, D. D. G. M.

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*To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the State of Louisiana:*

In making to you a brief report of my labors as Deputy Grand

Master and District Deputy Grand Master for the Lodges which, during the last Masonic year, you placed under my jurisdiction, I have but little to say, as circumstances which I could not control, precluded the possibility of performing the duties which your confidence reposed in me.

On the 24th of June last I visited De Soto Lodge, No. 55, and delivered a public address to one of the largest and most attentive audiences I have ever seen assembled upon a similar occasion within the limits of our State. Upon the afternoon and evening of the same day, I examined the records of the Lodge, found them well kept, and commenced the illustration of what I considered the proper work. I continued throughout the next day and part of the evening, until the work was completed, which I found afterwards was altogether superfluous, as the Lodge was working by the same system I had illustrated more than twelve years before in the same Lodge. It is in a prosperous condition, and appears to be circumspect as to choosing their material for the making of Masons.

On the 9th and 10th I visited Many Lodge, No. 88, and gave her the relief she necessarily required, and now that they have instituted a new state of affairs, I have every reason to believe that there will be a greater regularity in her proceedings. For the balance of their indebtedness to the Grand Lodge, I extended the time to one year, which I hope will meet with your approval. From the showing made me, I could not do otherwise.

The 11th and 12th of the same month I spent with Sabine Lodge, No. 75, and am proud to report her in a sound and healthy condition. Her records were correct, her work proper, and the portals of her temple effectually guarded from the approach of the unworthy. I granted this Lodge the privilege of receiving a member of the defunct Pleasant Hill Lodge, from the fact that he had paid his dues, and his demit granted to him, but it was not issued, some twelve months before the Lodge forfeited its Charter. It was not his fault that he did not get his demit, as his dues were paid and the demit granted during his absence in Texas. I therefore considered his case a very different one from any one who had belonged to that Lodge, and therefore granted Sabine Lodge the Dispensation.

Cloutierville Lodge, No. 103, over which I preside as Master, is in a healthy and prosperous condition, considering its peculiar location among our deadly enemies.

The other Lodges under my charge I did not visit, and consequently they received no instructions.

There is one Lodge, however, which I visited the year before the last, to which I wish to allude, and I do so without any invidiousness, and that is Gordy Lodge, No. 133. This Lodge has the neatest records it has ever been my good fortune to see, and her work is altogether faultless. Harmony and brotherly love seemed to prevail, and she is in a most prosperous condition.

In regard to systematizing the work, I have to suggest a plan simple in its character, but, I believe, ample and effective when executed. It is simply to increase the number of District Deputy Grand Masters, and let each one of them instruct thoroughly a member of each Lodge under his charge, and the one so instructed to have the power to instruct his Lodge, and by this means, all the members, in the course of the year, will have a chance of getting the proper work in his own Lodge, and that by authority. This is a feasible and simple plan, and one I believe that can be carried out to the very great benefit of the Craft under your jurisdiction.

With the above plain statement of facts, I close this brief and hastily written report, with a sincere desire for your individual prosperity and that of our holy Order, over which you were called to preside at our last Grand Communication.

Fraternally, etc.,

S. O. SCRUGGS, *D. G. M. and D. D. G. M.*

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BIENVILLE PARISH, December 27, 1859.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the State of Louisiana:*

I beg leave respectfully to report to you my labors as Special District Deputy Grand Master, under the Commission issued by you on the 16th day of July last, instructing me to visit, inspect and instruct the Lodges in Masonic District, No. 8.

Owing to protracted sickness in my family during the summer, I could not visit all the Lodges in said district. On the 1st day of October I visited Silent Brotherhood Lodge, No. 146, and instructed them in the work and lectures of the three degrees of Masonry. I did not examine their records, as they had no book to keep their proceedings in, but promised me they would spread their proceedings on a book

immediately, and I expected at that time to visit them again. They are doing a good deal of work, but I find they need instructions.

On the 20th day of October I visited Sparta Lodge, No. 108, instructed them in the work and lectures of the three degrees of Masonry, and examined their records, which I found neatly kept, with some little irregular work. They are doing a good deal of work, but I find they need instructions.

I wrote to the Secretary of Mount Lebanon Lodge, No. 104, that I would visit them on the 28th of November, and I met, according to promise, but found no one but the Secretary, who informed me there would be no meeting. I did not see their books, nor visit them any more, as I saw my instructions would not be appreciated. I think, from what I can find out, they will surrender their Charter, as it is seldom they have a meeting.

Mackey Lodge, No. 122, over which I have the honor to preside, I have endeavored to regulate and instruct to the best of my ability; and although we are doing but little work, I feel a pleasure in being able to state, that "peace and harmony prevail" among us. I have instructed the Lodges to guard well their doors.

With my sincere wishes for your own prosperity and happiness, and the prosperity and usefulness of our beloved Order, the above is

Respectfully and fraternally submitted.

J. D. CAWTHON, D. D. G. M.

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*To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the State of Louisiana:*

Owing to the lateness of the period at which I received your Commission as District Deputy Grand Master of the Second District, and a press of other matters, the duties have not been performed in such a manner as I could have desired. The Subordinate Lodges of this district are generally in a prosperous condition. I called the attention of some of the members of Milford Lodge, No. 117, to their delinquencies, and am happy to learn from the Grand Secretary that this Lodge has made her report and paid most of her dues.

Respectfully and fraternally yours,

A. G. CARTER, D. D. G. M.

To SAMUEL M. TODD, Esq., *M. W. Grand Master of*  
*Free and Accepted Masons in and for the State of Louisiana :*

The Petition of the undersigned, members of the late "Perseverance Lodge, No. 4," and being a large majority of the members of said Lodge, RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH—

That on or about the 22d day of January, 1858, the said Lodge passed a resolution declaring that it was deemed expedient to withdraw from her membership, as one of the constituent members of the said Grand Lodge ; that in adopting that resolution they were impelled by motives nowise connected with the government of the M. W. Grand Lodge—Perseverance Lodge being one of its *original founders*, in the year 1812, and having always remained true to the compact then entered into with her brethren of this State, and *firm* in her *allegiance* to the body then created, and in every respect performed her duties to the said M. W. Grand Lodge ; that the cause of her making that declaration, and thus suspending her labors *for a time*, was this : the Lodge had undertaken the building of a new Hall, at a heavy cost, and had not got through with her payments, and a rumor was afloat that the Grand Lodge had adopted, or was about to adopt, a Regulation which would have a tendency to create uneasiness in the minds of those with whom the Lodge had contracted, as to her ability to comply with those engagements, and after taking legal advice on the subject, it was thought best to cease for a time their labors under the authority of the Grand Lodge, and to inform the Grand Lodge by the resolution thus adopted, and not, however, to send in their Charter for the moment, in order that when the then impediment should cease, to resume, by consent of the Grand Lodge, their labors. The Grand Lodge, however, not comprehending their design, ordered the Charter to be surrendered, which was accordingly done. Previously, however, to its adjournment, that body empowered the Grand Master to permit them to resume their labors during the recess, if he should be satisfied that it was proper to do so. Owing to various unforeseen circumstances, however, the time for making the application has been deferred—several of the members having died, and others removed from the State, etc. But the happy moment has now arrived when they find themselves in a situation to resume—they having at all times abstained from abandoning their organization further than to cease Masonic labor, and have resisted



every attempt to dissuade them to abandon, as individuals, their allegiance to the Grand Lodge.

They therefore respectfully pray, that you will avail yourself of the authority given you, as above stated, and permit them to resume their Charter, and return to the bosom of that mother which no circumstance could induce them to abandon.

If their present request is granted, they would respectfully pray you (should it be inconvenient for you to attend in person) to appoint a suitable proxy to attend and receive from us the *proper obligation*, preside at our election, and install the officers for the present year; and we promise solemnly hereafter, as we have heretofore done, to fulfil all the duties devolving upon brethren devotedly attached to the Order, and undeviating in our attachment to the Grand Lodge.

And, as in duty and affection bound, we will ever pray for your prosperity and happiness.

F. RICAU,  
M. A. CALONGNE,  
P. MEILLLEUR,  
G. ROMAIN,  
FRANCISCO PEREYRA,  
O. BOIS,  
JEAN FISSE,  
J. BRISOLARA,  
H. PEDARRE,

CHAS. CALONGNE,  
L. ST. MARTIN,  
ANDRÉ GRASSO,  
J. L. DAUSSAT,  
J. M. CLAVERIE,  
M. CLAVERIE,  
A. GRUERBERT, E. A. 1857,  
C. BARTHE, E. A. 1857.

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NEW ORLEANS, February 8, 1860.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the State of Louisiana:*

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER—Yours of the 1st inst., inquiring the present condition of the suits of "J. N. Curien, et als., vs. Jos. Santini, et als.," and of "Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, vs. Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, Charitable Association," is before me. In reply, I have to state that both these cases have been tried in the District Court since the last session of the Grand Lodge, and though we succeeded in getting everything before the Court in each case which we desired, and made such a showing as, in our opinion, entitled us to expect a judgment in our favor, yet the judgment of the Court, in both cases, was adverse to us, and from which judgments appeals have been taken to the Supreme Court, where they will be tried, probably, in April next.

I would remark that these cases involve very important principles relative to the tenure of the property, not in controversy, but of all the property held by the Grand Lodge and its Subordinates throughout the State, and should the final decision be still adverse, it would unsettle the titles to all the property now held; and, in fact, decree the same to belong to the individual members of each Lodge in the State, and that a majority of any Lodge could at any time ask for a dissolution of the Lodge and a division of the funds, to whatever extent accumulated for the purposes of charity and benevolence, among the members. This is the substance of the decision of Judge DuVigneaud, of the Third District Court. Your counsel do not believe this decision to be good law, and that the Supreme Court will sustain it. If it is, the property not only of the Masonic Order, but the funds of every Charitable Association in the State can at any moment be diverted from the charitable intendment, to the enriching of individuals.

Respectfully and Fraternally, yours,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,

*of Counsel.*

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Immediately after the reading of the Grand Master's Address, Brother J. C. BATCHELOR submitted the following resolution, which was, on motion, adopted :

*Resolved*, That so much of the Grand Master's Address as relates to the death of Past Grand Masters Amos Adams and Robert Preaux, and Past Masters Scymour and Davis, be referred to a Special Committee of —.

That portion referring to the inauguration of the statue of Henry Clay, to a Special Committee of —.

That portion relating to the "American Masonic Home," to a Special Committee of —.

That portion relating to the proposed Model Farm, to a Special Committee of —.

That portion relating to the Grand Lodge Library, to a Special Committee of —.

That of bill against Patrick Henry Lodge, charges against Masters of Lodges, cases in suit, and Clandestine Lodges, to the Committee on Appeals and Grievances.

That portion relating to Lodges under Dispensation, to Committee on Dispositions.

That portion relating to Lodges under Charter, to Committee on Chartered Lodges.

All that portion relative to decisions of Masonic questions, to Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence (when appointed).

That of Representatives near this Grand Body, to a Special Committee of —.

That on Masonic Districts and Rituals, to the Committee on Work.

On motion, the blanks in the above resolution were filled with "*three*."

The M. W. Grand Master then announced the following brethren as said committees :

On that portion referring to the inauguration of the statue of Henry Clay, Brothers Samuel Harby, A. G. Carter and H. McFarland.

On that portion referring to the American Masonic Home, to Brothers S. G. Risk, T. A. Bartlette, and J. D. Catlin.

On that portion referring to a proposed Model Farm, to Brothers S. G. Risk, J. D. Catlin, and T. A. Bartlette.

On that portion referring to the Grand Lodge Library, to Brothers S. O. Scruggs, Aaron Harris, and L. H. Gardner.

On that portion referring to Representatives near this Grand Body, to Brothers J. H. Holland, A. S. Washburn, and G. B. Burr.

On that portion referring to the death of Past Grand Masters Adams and Preaux, and Past Masters Seymour and Davis, to Brothers J. H. Holland, S. O. Scruggs, and R. F. McGuire.

The District Deputy Grand Masters' Reports, as appended to the Grand Master's Address, were then read, and, on motion of Brother J. C. BATCHELOR, referred to the following committees :

That of Thomas H. Lewis and G. D. Shadburne, to Committee on Appeals and Grievances.

That of Charles Chaffe, to Committee on Lodges Under Dispensation.

Those of A. S. Washburn, S. O. Scruggs, J. D. Cawthon, and A. G. Carter, were referred to the Committee on Work.

The following report from the Grand Treasurer was then read, and, on motion, referred to the Committee on Audit and Accounts :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Louisiana :*

BRETHREN—As per constitutional requirement, I again present for your inspection my financial report as Grand Treasurer for the past year. A full transcript of my books, with vouchers or warrants, are herewith enclosed for the inspection of your Committee on Audit and Accounts:

STEPHEN C. MICHELL, GRAND TREASURER,

*In account with M. W. GRAND LODGE OF LOUISIANA.*

1859.		DR.
Feb. 14.—To cash on hand approved by Committee on Audit and Accounts, this day .....	\$5,530 81	
March 3.—To amount received from S. G. Risk, G. Sec'y..	7,238 20	
“ 19.—To amount received from S. G. Risk, G. Sec'y..	380 50	
April 2.—To amount received from S. G. Risk, G. Sec'y..	225 50	
April 26.—To amount received from S. G. Risk, G. Sec'y..	263 50	
April 30.—To amount received from S. G. Risk, G. Sec'y..	432 00	
May 10.—To amount received from S. G. Risk, G. Sec'y..	843 17	
May 30.—To amount received from S. G. Risk, G. Sec'y..	71 50	
Aug. 5.—To amount received from S. G. Risk, G. Sec'y..	1,106 70	
Dec. 16.—To amount received from S. G. Risk, G. Sec'y..	2,170 66	
1860.		
Jan. 31.—To amount received from S. G. Risk, G. Sec'y..	1,761 30	
Feb'y 7.—To amount received from S. G. Risk, G. Sec'y..	5,235 66	
		<u>\$25,259 50</u>
Feb. 7.—To balance deposited in Louisiana State Bank to credit of M. W. Grand Lodge of Louisiana,		<u>\$2,177 35</u>
1859.		CR.
March 7.—By Warrants herewith, numbering from 1 to 33, dating from March 7th, 1859, to February 6th, 1860, for account Grand Lodge.....	\$5,731 05	
March 7.—By Warrants herewith, numbering from 1 to 42, dating from March 1, 1859, to February 4, 1860, for account Grand Lodge Hall.....	17,351 10	
		<u>\$23,082 15</u>
1860.		
Feb'y 7.—By balance on hand in bank.....	2,177 35	
Fraternally submitted,		<u>\$ 25,259 50</u>
E. & O. E.	STEPHEN C. MICHELL, Grand Treasurer.	
NEW ORLEANS, February 6, 1860.		

The Grand Secretary then read the following report :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

BRETHREN—Another year has passed, and I am once again permitted by Divine Providence to perform the official duty of transmitting to you a brief detail of the transactions of my office during the Masonic year transpired since your last Annual Grand Communication.

During the first week of March last, and in less than thirty days after your adjournment, the proceedings of your Annual Grand Communication of 1859 were printed, and, as usual, one copy was duly mailed to each Lodge under our jurisdiction, and in my circular a request that I might be apprised of the safest mode of transmitting to them the balance of copies allotted for their use. I am happy to state that in every instance but three this request was promptly complied with, and each Lodge duly furnished with them, except Napoleon, No. 94, Shiloh, No. 131, and Warren, No. 132, which are yet in my office subject to their order.

In accordance with resolutions passed by you at the sessions of February 16th and 18th, 1859, the following Charters were issued from my office, viz :

GROSSE TETE, No. 157, located at Bayou Grosse Tête ;

RAPIDES, No. 158, located at Rapides, Rapides Parish ;

MORGANZA, No. 159, located at Morganza, Pointe Coupée Parish ;

LIVINGSTON, No. 160, located at Ponchitoula, Livingston Parish.

Duly attested authorizations of the M. W. Grand Master accompanied each of the above Charters, empowering some distinguished brother to consecrate and constitute them into regular Lodges; and I am happy to say that prompt and correct returns have been made to my office of the faithful performance of that duty in each case.

In accordance with your instructions in resolutions passed February 16th and 18th, 1859, the following Dispensations have been issued from my office, viz :

February 21st, 1859, to a sufficient number of brethren of the late Brookville Lodge (free of charge), to open a Lodge, to be called BROOKVILLE, and located at Lafourche Lake, in Morehouse Parish.

February 21st, 1859, for BURNSVILLE LODGE, to be located at Shongaloo, Claiborne Parish.

March 4th, 1859, for ATCHAFALAYA LODGE, to be located at Simmsport, Avoyelles Parish.

And, by authority of the M. W. Grand Master, on a Constitutional petition, a Dispensation for a new Lodge was issued, March 17th, 1859, called COLUMBIA, and to be located at Columbia, Caldwell Parish.

In accordance with your instructions and a resolution passed February 16th, 1859, I cancelled the Dispensation issued for SWAN LAKE LODGE May 14th, 1856, to be located at Swan Lake, Carroll Parish; no returns having ever been received from said Lodge.

On the 10th of October, 1859, I received a communication from Brother J. H. C. Barlow, of Marksville, La., enclosing a petition for a Dispensation for a new Lodge to be located at that town, and to be called AVOYELLES. The petition being not in constitutional form, I advised the brother thereof immediately, but have not received any reply.

A petition was filed in my office on January 7th, 1860, for a new Lodge to be called LINN WOOD, and located at Jefferson City, Parish of Jefferson. This petition is duly recommended, and in Constitutional form, but it being so near your annual assembling, the Grand Master declined issuing a Dispensation, and it is therefore submitted for your action.

Since your last Communication, two Lodges have found it necessary to surrender their charters, Nos. 97 and 138.

JEFFERSONIAN LODGE, No. 138, through her late Worshipful Master, L. L. Tomkies, has returned her books and Charter, and made a full and correct return of all her members, and paid up her dues in full, and asks that her members may be furnished with certificates of good standing to enable them to affiliate in a Constitutional manner with Lodges most convenient to their respective residences. The reasons for this course are stated in communications addressed to me, which are on file for the action of your appropriate committee.

PATMOS LODGE, No. 97.—To-day I have received a communication from Brother A. E. Adams, Secretary, stating that the members had met and agreed to surrender their Charter; and that in a few days he would place in my hands the Charter, jewels, etc. The communication, with their request, is on file for use of your appropriate committee.

AMENDMENTS TO GRAND LODGE BY-LAWS.—By an inadvertence in transcribing from the Record Book for the printer, two errors of

some importance occur in our printed proceedings of last year, which it is my duty to correct, viz :

The following amendment, offered by Brother A. J. NORWOOD, Junior Grand Warden, at the session of the 16th February, 1859, was taken up at the session of February 19th, 1859, and *adopted*, but omitted in the printed proceedings of that day :

Strike out of Art. II, Sec. 1, of Chap. 2, of By-Laws, the words, "*and his ability to aid in the benevolent objects of the Institution.*"

Also, the following, offered by Brother THOS. F. HEDGES, W. M. of Marion Lodge, No. 68, on the 18th of February, 1859, was adopted on February 19th, 1859, but omitted in printed proceedings of that day :

Amend Art. IV of Chap. 3, thus : After the words "*Provided that the proposition to amend, alter,*" etc., insert the words "*shall have received the sanction of a majority present at the time of its presentation, and*" shall have laid over from one session to another of the same Grand Communication, etc.

The following amendments to your By-Laws, offered at your last Annual Grand Communication, but not acted upon, require your action.

By Brother S. G. PARSONS, W. M. of Harry Hill Lodge, No. 134 :

*Resolved*, That Sec. 1, Art. I, of Chap. 1, of the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge, be amended by striking out the word "*February*" in the third line, and inserting "*March*" in lieu thereof.

By Brother J. Q. A. FELLOWS :

Amend Sec. 2, Art. I, Chap. 1, of the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge, so as to create a Fifth Standing Committee, to be styled the "*Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence*," and "*to be composed of seven members of the Grand Lodge.*"

Brother S. G. PARSONS submitted the following resolution at your last Annual Communication, which was, on motion, laid over until this Communication, for action :

*Resolved*, That after the present session, this Grand Lodge will pay the expenses actually incurred for the attendance of one Delegate from each of the Subordinate Lodges, at its Annual Grand Communications.

GRAND LODGE LIBRARY.—During the past year some very interesting and valuable additions have been made, by donation and purchase, to your Library, among which I would specially note the following :

*Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Florida, from its Organization, 1830, to 1859, inclusive.*—This is a very valuable compilation, pre-

pared by Brother Thomas Brown, Past Grand Master of that State, composed of 860 closely printed octavo pages. To the Grand Lodge of Florida we are indebted for this, forwarded through J. F. Brennan, of New York, the publisher.

*Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Iowa.*—This is a republication of the full transactions of that Grand Lodge, from its organization, January 8th, 1844, to and including its fifteenth annual session, ending June 4th, 1858; to which is prefixed the proceedings of the Constitutional Convention held in Iowa City, January 2d, 1844, and a short synopsis of the history and origin of the Lodges which composed it. The work comprises two volumes—the first of 513 pages, and the second of 739, prepared under the supervision of Brother T. S. Parvin, Grand Secretary, who has displayed much skill in the arrangement and preparation of it.

*The Early Records of Freemasonry in the State of Connecticut, with a Brief Account of its Origin in New England, and the entire Proceedings of the Grand Lodge, from its first Organization, A. L. 5789.* This is a work compiled by Brother E. G. Storer, Grand Secretary for Connecticut, from authentic sources. It is published in three parts, of 200 pages each, making a volume of 600 pages, of uncommonly valuable Masonic history, running back to 1783, and embracing full and correct minutes of the Proceedings of the "*American Union Lodge*," as it moved with the American Army in parts of Connecticut, New York, and New Jersey, in those days that tried men's principles of "Friendship, Morality and Brotherly Love." No book in our library is more valuable than this, and we are indebted to Brother Storer for a copy, as it is published by himself, at his own expense, and under the approbation of the Grand Officers and consent of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut.

The above named three publications are truly invaluable to the Craft, furnishing, as they do, the only true history of Freemasonry, based upon facts, free from those sceptical notions and theoretical prejudices which are too often found in those Masonic histories, compiled and printed solely for pecuniary gain.

*History of Freemasonry in Kentucky, in its Relation to the Symbolic Degrees.*—This is a volume of 512 closely printed octavo pages, presented to us by Brother Rob. Morris, the author. It is an invaluable work to every Mason, containing, as it does, in the form of notes and brief historical abstracts, "an American Masonic Bibliography, a Current History of Cotemporaneous Events in other States and Coun-



tries, Historical and Statistical Tables," etc., etc., which have been gathered and compiled with that zealous industry and ability which belong to its author.

*Morris's Universal Masonic Library.*—This publication is now complete in your Library, embracing thirty octavo volumes, of 400 pages each, being a reprint of standard Masonic literature, comprising the writings of Oliver, Preston, Calcott, Morris, Mackey, Creigh, Lawrie, Hutchinson, Harris, Ashe, Inwood, Smith, DeVertot, Gourdin, Arnold, Tucker, Town, etc. I esteem this the most valuable and interesting Masonic publication of the age, comprising within itself a complete Masonic library, at the small cost of fifty dollars.

*Masonic Ritual, containing Lectures and Charges, as Published by the Grand Lodge of Ireland, and Used in her Subordinates.*—This is an interesting little volume, published in Dublin, Ireland, in 1858, and for which we are indebted to Brother R. B. Lawrence, the assistant in my office. He has also furnished me the Annual Report for 1859, of the "*Freemasons' Orphan School*," founded in the city of Dublin, Ireland, in 1792, to which is appended the "Rules and Regulations of the Institution," an instructive and interesting pamphlet, demonstrating the practical workings of the principles of Masonry.

The above additions, together with the annual bound volumes of magazines, addresses, and proceedings of our sister Grand Bodies, have increased our Library to nearly 325 volumes at present, and which will continue to annually increase. In view of this fact, I would respectfully suggest that some arrangement be made by you, at this Communication, to have our Library made practically useful to the fraternity at large. The room attached to my office is now becoming too small for its use, and not suitable for brethren to occupy who may wish to spend an hour of leisure to study in, it being nearly full of Grand Lodge archives.

The only legislation ever had by the Grand Lodge on the subject of our Library was the following resolutions, adopted at the session of January 21st, 1854, and which have been in force since :

*Resolved*, That the Grand Secretary be, and he is hereby, authorized to purchase a suitable book case, for the purpose of keeping, in a neat and safe manner, the Grand Lodge Library.

*Resolved*, That the Grand Master, Grand Treasurer, and Grand Secretary be, and they are hereby, authorized and empowered to purchase such Masonic works as they may deem necessary for said Library, and also to solicit and receive any works or publications which may be of a Masonic character, as donations to it.

I would respectfully recommend that this subject be referred to some committee, to investigate and report thereon in detail.

LOUISIANA RELIEF LODGE, No. 1.—In accordance with Section 2, Article IV, of Chapter III, of your By-Laws, this Lodge has submitted, through Brother JAMES B. SCOT, its Worshipful Master, a detailed report of its "Work" during the past Masonic year. From this report it will be seen that time but develops the usefulness of its existence. The latent heat which inspired the mental germ from which this Lodge sprung, has steadily spread and warmed into existence similar bodies in other jurisdictions, who have watched and studied the correct and praiseworthy course pursued by it in the administration of its sacred charities. Let us, brethren, guard and protect it zealously, as an ornament to our State, a credit to our Grand Lodge, and a monument of unsought honor to all who have and may continue to faithfully conduct its affairs.

MOUNT VERNON FUND.—During the past year I have received but one donation to this, which was twenty-five dollars from Feliciana Lodge, No. 31, at St. Francisville, La.

AMERICAN MASONIC HOME FOR THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF FREEMASONS.—In the month of December last, I received from the Rev. W. D. Haley, General Superintendent, a pamphlet containing the Object, Plan, and Government of a National Masonic Institution, of the above character, to be established at Washington City, D. C. As requested, I immediately transmitted, under instructions of the M. W. Grand Master, a copy of the same to each Lodge under our jurisdiction, and although the time has scarcely been sufficient to receive any response, I am pleased to say that I have received from two Lodges, Monticello, No. 92, and Tunica, No. 63, small sums from each, being the donation of the brethren of those Lodges who were present when the circular was read.

The *Object* of the institution is one which at once commends itself to the natural impulses of the human heart, and is but an opportunity afforded for every true Mason to put his theory in practice. The *Plan* has been approved and sanctioned by the M. W. Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, and a Board of Regents appointed to carry it out.

I most cordially approve the object and plan, and hope all may give it that attention its importance merits, and deem it not one of

the empty and futile beggaries of the age, but as it is contemplated one to alleviate misery and distress, so long as time shall endure.

Accompanying, I transmit a copy of the pamphlet and letter transmitted to me, for such action as you may deem requisite.

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.—The following cases of Appeals and, Grievances, before you at the last Annual Grand Communication, and which were referred for some specific action, are again before you, viz:

LIBERTY LODGE vs. M. J. BIRDSONG, W. M.—This case was referred to the M. W. Grand Master to place in proper form for trial before the Grand Lodge in accordance with Article IV of Chapter 1 of the By-Laws. By his order, I have served a copy of the charges by mail, on the accused, and Brother W. M. Turner, present W. M. of Liberty Lodge, No. 123, was duly commissioned to take the testimony in the case. No reply has reached my office from either of these brethren.

Brothers C. F. HEUNISCH and P. H. HUARD, who had charges preferred against them at your last Annual Communication, for admitting clandestine Masons into their Lodge while acting as officers thereof, and whose cases were ordered to be placed in readiness for trial at this Annual Communication, and who were suspended from all the rights and privileges of Masonry until said trial take place, have, during the interim, been accused by their own Lodge, Concorde, No. 3, of misapplying its funds, placed upon trial for said offence, found guilty and *expelled* from all the rights and privileges of Masonry. From this action and sentence they have appealed, and the papers in the case accompany this report for the action of your appropriate committee.

LYSANDER RATHBUN, who appealed from the sentence of indefinite suspension, passed upon him by Bellevue Lodge, No. 95, in 1857, which Lodge has gone out of existence since, and who was instructed at your last Annual Communication to "seek his relief at the Lodge under whose jurisdiction he resides," has complied with that request, and presents, for your action, a constitutional recommendation from Huntington Lodge, No. 141, for reinstation.

The following new cases will also require your action, the papers in each of which are properly arranged for the use of your appropriate committee:

Charges of unmasonic conduct against Brother JOHN E. BURCH, W. M., of Cool Spring Lodge, No. 140.

Charges against Brother A. P. DOSTIE, W. M. of Orleans Lodge, No. 78.

Charges against Brother S. P. SOLOMON, W. M. of Hiram Lodge, No. 70.

Charges against Brother JOSEPH CHELLET, W. M. of Orleans Lodge, No. 78.

Appeal of J. G. MANGHAM, from sentence of suspension by Cool Spring Lodge, No. 140.

Complaint of Mt. Moriah Lodge, No. 77 vs. Olive Lodge, No. 52.

A recommendation from the last officers of the late D'Arbonne Lodge, No. 128, to reinstate Brother ELI WRIGHT, who was indefinitely suspended on 24th May, 1856, for intemperance.

Charges of Brother L. H. THOMPSON against Wm. P. OTTS, W. M. of Vienna Lodge, No. 106.

Appeal of J. PERRILAT, from action of St. James Lodge, No. 47, and asking for a new trial.

Appeal of Brother JOHN TOURO, from action of Louisiana Lodge, No. 102.

LODGE RETURNS.—There has been under our jurisdiction during the past year, 111 Lodges; 106 Chartered and 5 Under Dispensation. Of these, about one-half only have complied with the Grand Lodge By-Laws, in making their returns and paying their dues within the time prescribed, namely:

Los Amigos del Orden.....	No. 5	Hermitage.....	No. 98
Humble Cottage.....	" 19	Franklinton.....	" 101
St. Albans.....	" 28	Louisiana.....	" 102
Phoenix.....	" 38	Mt. Lebanon.....	" 104
Foyer Maçonnique.....	" 44	Sparta.....	" 108
Germania.....	" 46	Harrisonburg.....	" 110
St. James.....	" 47	Urim.....	" 111
Minden.....	" 51	Bartholomew.....	" 112
Olive.....	" 52	Shreveport.....	" 115
Union Fraternal.....	" 53	Acacia.....	" 116
Mt. Gerizim.....	" 54	Constantine.....	" 119
Friends of Harmony.....	" 58	Lisbon.....	" 121
Mt. Moriah.....	" 59	Kellertown.....	" 124
Western Star.....	" 61	Warren.....	" 132
George Washington.....	" 65	Plains.....	" 135
Dudley.....	" 66	Jeffersonian.....	" 138
Marion.....	" 68	Cool Spring.....	" 140

Hiram.....	No. 70	Huntington.....	No. 141
Alpha.....	" 72	Home.....	" 142
Sabine.....	" 75	Ocean.....	" 144
Quitman.....	" 76	Red Land.....	" 148
Orleans.....	" 78	Perkins.....	" 150
Mt. Vernon.....	" 83	Eastern Star.....	" 151
Oliver.....	" 84	Saints John.....	" 153
Lafayette.....	" 87	Kissatchie.....	" 156
Cypress.....	" 89	Livingston.....	" 160
Thibodaux Benevolent....	" 90	Columbia.....	U. D.
Monticello.....	" 92	Atchafalaya.....	"
St. Helena.....	" 96	Burnsville.....	"

The following Lodges made their returns, but did not pay their dues, within the same period:

Do Soto.....	No. 55	Friendship.....	No. 114
DeWitt Clinton.....	" 80	Pearl River.....	" 125
Vienna.....	" 106	Athens.....	" 136
Thos. Jefferson.....	" 113		

Of these, the following have paid their dues since:

De Soto.....	No. 55	Pearl River.....	No. 125
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The following Lodges have made their returns and paid their dues since the expiration of the time prescribed by the Grand Lodge By-Laws:

Perfect Union.....	No. 1	Mackey.....	No. 122
Polar Star.....	" 1	Liberty.....	" 123
Concorde.....	" 3	Springhill.....	" 127
Perseverance.....	" 4	Dawson.....	" 129
St. Andrew.....	" 5	Solomon.....	" 130
Feliciana.....	" 31	Houma.....	" 139
Jackson.....	" 45	Downsville.....	" 143
Providence.....	" 50	Hope.....	" 145
Lafayette.....	" 56	Silent Brotherhood....	" 146
Franklin.....	" 57	Anacoco.....	" 147
Tunica.....	" 63	Homer.....	" 152
Mt. Moriah.....	" 77	Cherry Ridge.....	" 155
Many.....	" 88	Grosse Tête.....	" 157
Henderson.....	" 99	Rapides.....	" 158
Castor.....	" 109	Brookville.....	U. D.
Milford.....	" 117	Lake Charles.....	"
Deerfield.....	" 120		

And the following Lodges have made their returns but not yet paid any dues:

Cloutierville.....	No. 103	Darlington.....	No. 149
Shiloh.....	" 131		

And I am sorry to say that the following Lodges have neither made their returns, or paid any dues up to this hour:

St. Joseph.....	No. 79	Arcadia.....	No. 126
Napoleon.....	" 94	Gordy.....	" 132
Patmos.....	" 97	Harry Hill.....	" 134
Trinity.....	" 105	Fillmore.....	" 154
Terryville.....	" 118	Morganza.....	" 159

Having again submitted, Brethren of the Grand Lodge, the transactions of my office during another year, I again tender to the various officers of Lodges throughout our jurisdiction, my sincere thanks for the prompt and faithful manner in which the official notices emanating from my office have been treated and attended to; and particularly for the decidedly marked improvement in the making out of the Returns by the various Secretaries, with one single exception.

Accompanying, I transmit a balance sheet of the books and accounts, for the investigation of your appropriate committee.

Hoping the deliberations of your present Communication may be conducted with calm and deliberate Wisdom, ensuring Peace and Harmony, and redounding to the glory of our time-honored institution,

I am, Fraternaly, etc.,

SAMUEL G. RISK, *Grand Secretary.*

On motion of Brother J. C. BATCHELOR, the Grand Secretary was instructed to distribute his report to the appropriate standing and special committees already appointed on the various subjects treated therein.

The Grand Secretary then offered, on behalf of Brother J. Q. A. Fellows, the following report from the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, and stated that the same had been printed for the use of the members of the Grand Lodge, when, on motion, the reading thereof was dispensed with:

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Foreign Correspondence have examined, as carefully as time would permit, the very voluminous correspondence of the Grand Lodge, received from most of our sister jurisdictions on this continent, and not a few from other countries, and present the following as a suitable answer to the same. The plan adopted for this response to these communications, precludes the possibility of a particular mention of but few of them, and that only, where the occasion seemed peculiarly to call for it.

The communications and documents placed in the hands of your committee, comprise the following proceedings of sister Grand Lodges:

ALABAMA, of December, 1858.....	received May 5, 1859.
ARKANSAS, of November, 1858.....	" June 29, 1859.
" " " 1859.....	" January 11, 1860.
CALIFORNIA, of May, 1859.....	" July 23, 1859.
CANADA, of July, 1859.....	" December 5, 1859.
CONNECTICUT, of May, 1859.....	" January 10, 1860.
DELAWARE, of June, 1859.....	" December 29, 1859.
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, of December, 1858.....	" May 24, 1859.
FLORIDA, of January, 1859. ....	" November 1, 1859.
GEORGIA, of October, 1858. ....	" November 1, 1859.
ILLINOIS, of October, 1859.. ....	" December 26, 1859.
INDIANA, of May, 1859.....	" August 12, 1859.
IOWA, of June, 1859.....	" September 30, 1859
KANSAS, received none since last report.....	
KENTUCKY, received none since last report.....	
MAINE, of May, 1859.....	" August 11, 1859.
MARYLAND, of November, 1858.....	" May 24, 1859.
" " May, 1859.....	" July 14, 1859.
" " November, 1859.....	" February 28, 1860.
MASSACHUSETTS, of March to December, 1858...	" May 24, 1859.
MICHIGAN, of January, 1859.....	" February 20, 1859.
MINNESOTA, of October, 1859.....	" February 4, 1860.
MISSISSIPPI, of January, 1859.....	" July 9, 1859.
MISSOURI, of May, 1859.. ....	" August 11, 1859.
NEBRASKA, of June, 1859.....	" September 12, 1859.
NEW HAMPSHIRE, of June, 1859.....	" August 31, 1859.
NEW JERSEY, of January, 1859.....	" July 9, 1859.
NEW YORK, of June, 1859.....	" September 9, 1859.
NORTH CAROLINA, of December, 1858.....	" March 22, 1859.
OHIO, of October, 1859.....	" January 2, 1860.
OREGON, of June, 1859.....	" January 3, 1860.

PENNSYLVANIA, of March, 1858.....	received April 27, 1859.
RHODE ISLAND, of June, 1859.....	“ December 12, 1859.
SOUTH CAROLINA, received none since last report.	“
TENNESSEE, of October, 1859.....	“ December 29, 1859.
TEXAS, of June, 1859.....	“ September 22, 1859.
VERMONT, of January, 1859.....	“ April 14, 1859.
VIRGINIA, of December, 1858.....	“ October 31, 1859.
WASHINGTON TERRITORY.....	“ None.
WISCONSIN, of June, 1859 .....	“ September 17, 1859.

Your committee being aware that objection is frequently made to the length of reports of committees on correspondence, and not always without an apparent good reason, have endeavored to condense this report into a more suitable space. To do this has required much more time and thought than it would have required to have written a report of twice the length, in the usual form; and although there is an apparent show of disrespect to our sister Grand Lodges and our other correspondents, in not giving to each a particular notice, yet we trust our brethren, in the true exercise of Masonic charity, will acquit us of any such intention. All writers of reports on correspondence, know from experience, that it is a much easier task to review the proceedings of each Grand Lodge separately, than to examine them all and arrange the various views each may have expressed upon different subjects under particular heads.

We have, at the commencement, acknowledged the receipt of each communication from our sister Grand Lodges, and from other sources. In statistical tables, prepared in the office of our Grand Secretary, by his efficient, laborious and worthy assistant, are contained a much more satisfactory summary of the condition and labor of Grand Lodges than any extended notice could have given. There too, the statistics of all our Grand Lodges, up to the latest returns, are condensed upon one page, and show, in fact, the whole action of the Order for the past year throughout North America, in every thing except such expression of opinions of Grand Lodges as may have been made either by report, resolution, address or regulation, upon principles of Masonic law, usage, or landmarks. These, so far as anything novel has been presented, we have endeavored to notice properly under appropriate heads, where we trust will be found, correctly stated, not only the views of our brethren abroad, but correct principles themselves. Your committee have most assuredly endeavored to arrive



at proper and correct conclusions upon all subjects reviewed by them, and if they have erred therein, it is an error of the head and not of the heart.

In some instances they may have overlooked opinions expressed in the proceedings of our sister Grand Lodges ; but even this is not to be wondered at, when we consider that some forty volumes, of from twenty to three hundred pages each, have been examined, and this report written, in the little leisure enjoyed from business for the past few months. The reception of the communications being noted, and the mass of statistical knowledge condensed into tables, there remained little to do, outside of a notice of the general questions of law, usage, etc. All other matters embraced in the proceedings before us relate almost entirely to local legislation, which ought not to concern us, nor does it, except so far as it indicates the ability of each jurisdiction to take care of itself and manage its own concerns.

We would again call the attention of our Brethren of other jurisdictions to our statistical tables. We have endeavored to make them as complete and perfect as possible, and must request an examination and report of any errors they may contain. We have no objection to others copying these tables, though it would be gratifying to the compiler, who, after having spent many days in adding up, in some instances, the returns of other Grand Lodges, to have his labors acknowledged. This is all he asks, though it would much lighten his labors were each Grand Secretary to prepare and *add up* the returns of his own Grand Lodge.

We do not consider it our duty, nor the part of a Committee on Correspondence, to notice every little affair which may have occurred in each jurisdiction. We have frequently, in a manner, heretofore expressed our views upon the duties of this committee. These duties are embodied in our regulations creating its appointment, and they coincide with the views of most Masonic writers. Our report is, then, in the nature of a letter, addressed through the Grand Lodge, by its Corresponding Committee, to all with whom it is in correspondence. We have endeavored, however, to make one reply and acknowledgment do for all, and hence the necessity for this introduction.

In our examination of the proceedings and communications before us, we have been more than ever struck with the harmonizing and peaceful influence exerted by our institution. Wherever we find a

correct knowledge of the true principles of Freemasonry, *the most generally diffused*, there we find the greatest unanimity of feeling and action. Thank God! no revolution is in progress or division now exists among the Freemasons of North America, out of Louisiana. There is in reality nothing here; for though there appear in print the names of many Lodges as existing under a spurious organization, they for the most part exist only in name, and without a membership sufficient for the principal officers. In New York the last remnant of disunion has disappeared. The Grand Lodges of Canada have united; and the seceders in Louisiana have, after mature reflection, returned to their allegiance to the Grand Lodge. Those remaining out of its fold are composed, for the most part, of expelled or suspended Masons, and their dupes, clandestinely initiated by them. Such we cannot regard as Masons, in the strict sense of the word, and hence unanimity exists even among us.

In many of the proceedings we have found addresses by Grand Masters, and reports from Committees on Correspondence and Jurisprudence, worthy of preservation in a more general form than in the published proceedings of Grand Lodges. From these we have wished often to make lengthy extracts of passages breathing a pure morality, and expressing the soundest principles. We feel it would do our brethren good, as it has done us, to read them, but we must forbear. In all cases where our proceedings have been received they have been favorably noticed; and especially do your committee feel gratified—compensated, in fact, for their labors of last year in this department—by the manner in which their report has been received and the principles enunciated therein commented upon.

In the addresses of Grand Masters, the reports of Committees on Correspondence, and sometimes in legislation, as found in the published proceedings of our sister Grand Lodges, and in the various Masonic publications which have come under the notice of your committee during the past year, is to be found, more profound discussion and deep inquiry into the origin, nature and tendency of our institution—its form of government, past and present—the powers, rights and duties of Grand Lodges and Grand Masters—the rights of Lodges and their relation to Grand Lodges—their mode of existence and work—the rights and duties of Masons, and such kindred questions, than has before appeared, at least in print, since the first publication upon the subject of Freemasonry. This feature in the progress of

the institution indicates the beginning of a right spirit, and speaks more for the future prosperity of the Order than any increase of numbers or wealth of resource : it speaks of an awakening necessity to know more of the true nature of an institution to the support of which so much of time and talent is freely devoted. Hereafter nothing is to be taken upon trust, nor are the teachings of every tyro, even in the Master's chair, to be considered and received as of the ancient landmarks, without a why or a wherefore, and as such never subject to change.

THE ORIGIN OF FREEMASONRY is indeed involved in obscurity, from which there is no escape. We know it must have existed many centuries ago, and we believe it was the sanctuary in which reposed in safety every right principle of morality and virtue, and every truth which points out the nobility of man ; in short, that within its secret chambers there reposed, during many centuries of darkness, the germs of that civilization which now so distinguishes this country and the most enlightened nations of Europe from the rest of the world. The great principles of our institution have ever remained the same, and in regard to them there is a remarkable degree of unanimity. This is because these principles have ever been inculcated at each initiation. We will suppose, in the first place, that they were communicated to every Apprentice taken into these Bunds or Lodges of Freemasons, which were the authors of so many works of art during the middle ages, as the rule of their life and conduct towards their fellows and the world.

It is safe, we think, to presume that all the governmental rules and regulations of the society grew up—were fashioned—as the necessities of these associations required. Hence it is that there exists such an exact similarity in every land in the moral teachings of the Order, being based, as they are, upon the immutable principles of right and wrong. The near approximation, however, in the forms of government can be accounted for, under all the circumstances through which the institution has passed, only by regarding the force of the grand principles so often inculcated in the moral teachings of the Order, of the dignity of labor, the supremacy of moral worth over all adventitious circumstances, and the common brotherhood and common destiny of the human race—the carrying out of these principles necessitating a similar form of government.

What these teachings were in the earlier ages of our existence, as

an Order, we only know from the intrinsic evidence of our secret ceremonies as unfolded in the various emblems and symbols of our Order. In only a few instances have we on record the rules—a few general ones—and regulations of Freemasons. These, where they have been authenticated, as collected from the ancient charges and regulations, are, by universal consent, taken and deemed landmarks of the Order, as much as a belief in God is a landmark, and in which no change can take place without destroying the universality of the institution. The most noted of these are the “old charges,” as collected and published by the Grand Lodge of England, in 1723, and which is contained in what has been called “the first Masonic book ever published.” These “CHARGES,” which we regard as landmarks, contain the principles of the Order as above enunciated, and though there may exist manuscripts of an older date, they enunciate the same doctrines, and even if authentic, but add to the authority of the “old charges” of 1723, and confirm them as the chief authority, beyond which it is not safe to go. The compilers of these had undoubtedly before them all the documents we have recently found of an older date, and many more quite as authentic. These more ancient ones are therefore valuable only as relics of the past and as confirming, by their similarity, the correctness and reliability of the latter.

Aided by these relics of the past, by our knowledge of the nature of the institution, its present organization and recent history, to what conclusions can we safely come in regard to the origin, nature, design and effect of our form of government as exhibited in our system of Grand and Subordinate Lodges?

Your committee have endeavored to solve this question to the satisfaction of themselves, and can come to no other conclusion than this: that at an early day the members of the Masonic Fraternity framed its form of government—in fact created it—of themselves, by their own sovereign power, and, as the creators, retained in themselves the right of change, as well as all other rights not expressly or by necessary implication disposed of in the grant, or such as are unchangeable from the very nature of its moral principles and its universality. In other words, we hold that all power existed primarily in the Masonic Fraternity—in the people—who said before ever Freemasonry existed as an organization, “we will found an association primarily for our benefit and incidentally to benefit the world, upon certain great fundamental moral truths—

naming them—and under certain restrictions we will disseminate our doctrines by the initiation, after certain fixed forms, of the profane into our mysteries." Again, when the whole mass of the fraternity had subsequently met together in a general assembly, they said, "we will call this a Grand Lodge," and choosing a presiding officer for the time being, "we will call him Grand Master, or will call upon the oldest man present to preside." Masons thus ever chose their own Master or Grand Master whenever they met, unless in process of time, the civil power, to which by their laws they were ever subservient, imposed a presiding officer upon them, and thus made a law of the order not only for themselves but for those to whom they should constitute their successors.

Brother O'Sullivan, of Missouri, in combatting our remarks upon the powers of Grand Masters, found in our report of last year, and in which we, among other things, denied the inherent rights of Grand Masters, brings up the fact that the civil power did sometimes appoint the Grand Master; but this only confirms our statement. The Grand Master thus appointed, was perchance forced upon the craft, and the incident cannot be used as authority except to prove that Masons "ever conform to the laws of the country in which they live," and are peaceable and quiet subjects.

Whatever may have been the form of government under which the society acted from the General Congress at York in 926, A. D., to 1717, when the four old Lodges met in London, formed the Grand Lodge, and made regulations for its government, the conclusion of the whole matter is found in those "old charges," collected and published by the authority of that Grand Lodge. Thereafter no Masons were to be made except in a Lodge having a legal warrant, and after certain formalities had been complied with. Certain qualifications were found then necessary for the holding of certain offices. *By the action of the whole fraternity* the Grand Lodge became a representative body, as the great increase of members necessitated. The three chief officers of a Lodge were constituted representatives, and as by the ancient charges these three must have past the degree of Fellow Craft at least before serving—that is, become Master Masons, the representative Grand Lodge became a body of Master Masons exclusively.

The whole fraternity, subject to the ancient charges and the moral principles inculcated in the initiatory ceremonies—all landmarks of

the Order—did all this; granted all these powers; created this representative Grand Lodge for their own convenience and the good of the Order, all which they had a perfect right to do; and being the creator, the source of power, can change, limit or destroy the same, under the previously existing restrictions, and that, too, without a violation of any of the landmarks of the Order. Hence there can be no inherent powers, either human or divine, belonging to Grand Lodges or Grand Masters. In fact no other powers or rights than those contained expressly or by a necessary implication in the Constitution of each Grand Lodge, and in those ancient charges of the Order.

Freemasons are proverbially peaceable, inculcating the doctrine "that no contention should ever exist except that noble contention of who can best work and best agree." They pay due respect to their superiors in office. Freemasons are also human in their natures, affections and habits, and learn, without being taught in the Lodge, to respect station and wealth as well as worth and merit. They also, by long occupancy of any high position, come to think themselves there by a sort of divine or prescriptive right, and where information does not much abound, to claim prerogatives, and rights, and powers, which never pertained to them or their office. All this we know happens every day, and it is but rational to expect it. Hence the claims by Grand Masters, by virtue of their office, of the inherent and sovereign rights of Grand Lodges, which Grand Masters claim devolve upon them in their recess. All these are mere assumptions of power, and prerogative, and however often claimed, never yet made a right; nor does their exercise prove anything except that power has been from time to time usurped, without complaint, and exercised without resistance. Can Brother O'Sullivan, or Mackey, or any other advocate for the sovereignty of Grand Lodges and their inherent rights, point to any other source as the origin of these rights and prerogatives, than their mere assumption? We think not. History says they have been all assumed where not expressly granted.

We will illustrate by the example of a discovery made by us within the year, namely, the true extent of the powers, prerogatives, etc., of Sovereign Grand Inspectors General, or recipients of the thirty-third degree of the Ancient and Accepted Rite. As possessing that degree, and having what power its possession does actually confer, we state without fear of contradiction that not a tithe of the power claimed, and often exercised by thirty-thirds, in fact exists, or ever

existed; and that from the very beginning the greater portion of the power claimed has been mere assumption. For the first time, and within the last few months, we have seen and read a copy of the Statutes, etc., of 1762, and of the Constitutions of 1786, which contain the whole fundamental law of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. These have been studiously, or, perhaps, carelessly concealed from the fraternity, and in their stead we have had only the assertions of men ambitious of power and authority to back up their assumptions.

Admitting, for sake of the argument, that all the power which these Statutes and Constitutions warrant is possessed by the thirty-thirds—yet these Constitutions disclaim all control over the first three degrees, wherever organizations of those degrees exist. In unoccupied territory a *Supreme Council* exercises the same rights that a Grand Lodge does in the same territory. They grant warrants to open Lodges and make Masons. The rank of a thirty-third is to be recognized by “every Lodge and Council of Perfect M<sup>a</sup>sons,” and due honor is to be paid them, etc., etc. Let us see what their peculiar duties and rights as thirty-thirds are. Section 2, of Art. II, of the Constitutions of 1786, says: “The peculiar duties entrusted to them are to teach and give light to their brethren; to preserve charity, union and brotherly love among them; to maintain regularity in the work of every degree, and to take care that it is maintained by others; to see that the Dogmas, Doctrines, Institutes, Constitutions, Statutes and Regulations of THE ORDER, and especially of those of sublime Masonry, are faithfully observed and obeyed, and on every occasion to enforce and defend them; and everywhere in fine to do the work of peace and mercy.” Now, who is to be frightened at all these rights, powers, duties, etc., or to stand in awe of those claiming to exercise them? The youngest Entered Apprentice can do the same. The more the remainder of these Statutes, which are for the working of the Order, are studied, the more limited will be found to be the rights and prerogatives of the High Princes of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite.

We know not who framed the Constitutions of 1786, nor does it matter but little. Whoever framed them, no power existed in the framers to take from any other organization the rights belonging to it, or to absolve any one from a previous allegiance. In fact, by the Constitutions, they prohibit their successors from interfering in any jurisdiction already occupied, and from meddling with the symbolic

*degrees.* Their action was to be confined to the Lodges of Perfection and to degrees above and including the Fourth, or Secret Master. The Rite of Perfection was a series of twenty-five degrees, for the government of which the *Statutes, etc., of 1762* were framed; the last of which was that of Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret. To this series, eight others were added by the Constitutions of 1786, many of the former changed, and a new Rite constituted. The agents of the Grand Consistory of Sublime Princes were called "Deputy Inspectors General," while the Constitutions of 1786 named the recipients of the Thirty-Third Degree, "Sovereign Grand Inspectors General." The *Statutes, etc., of 1762* were adopted by the Constitutions of 1786, so far as they did not conflict, though many of them are necessarily obsolete. The powers of a Thirty-Third are, however, quite limited, except in the demand of courtesy and show, and this was the point of our illustration. The *power* claimed by the Thirty-Thirds has been, for the most part, the assumptions by ignorant and vain men, and their exercise has brought the Rite into disrepute; while its supposed ridiculous arrogation of powers has brought about confusion and want of harmony in many places, and subjected the whole Order to unmerited contempt.

In like manner the powers and inherent rights and prerogatives of Grand Masters and Grand Lodges have had their origin; for when we go back to the ancient record for the warrant of their authority, we find it mere assumption on the part of those claiming it. We find that all the power existed in the people—the Fraternity; that they made the institution, and, as its creators, have delegated a portion of it to their Lodges, Grand and Subordinate, and the officers thereof. Every such grant of power is clearly susceptible of demonstration by the production of the grant itself, to be found either in the "*old charges*" of 1723, or in the Constitutions of our several Grand Lodges—or it does not exist. We do not believe in taking everything on trust, and that we must not question this or that dogma, because it is asserted to be one of the ancient landmarks. Who can say that it is a landmark, unless it be a part of the ritual, or is found in the ancient charges?

We come to the conclusion, then, that Grand Lodges have no other powers than those contained in their Constitutions, or in those "*ANCIENT CHARGES*," which are, by common consent, recognized as universal, and the general Constitution of the Order. The Grand Lodge



of England, in 1723, recognized the "*old charges*" as the fundamental, governing law of the whole Order—as the "Constitution of Freemasonry," in the correct signification of the word; and all subsequent Grand Lodges have given them the same recognition. These constitute the fundamental law of the Order, which cannot be changed, and the institution at the same time remain universal. Under this fundamental law each Grand Lodge was organized, commencing with the Grand Lodge of England, in 1721; and when organized, has adopted such particular regulations for its own government as circumstances seemed to require. These regulations, peculiar to each jurisdiction, are no more binding upon another than is the Constitution of one of the States of this Union binding upon the inhabitants of the others. Indeed, our American form of government bears so striking an analogy in all its forms to the form of government of the Masonic institution, that were all other evidence wanting, it intrinsically contains the proof that Masons had a hand in its formation.

The Constitution and laws of the United States are common to, and binding upon all the people of each and every State, as the ancient charges and landmarks are, upon the whole Fraternity of Freemasons. Whatever is of a general and universal nature, not local, but of a national importance, has been entrusted under the Constitution to the General Government. No State, community or individual, can properly violate its provisions; but yet there are no powers belonging to the General Government or which it can properly exercise by implication merely; none save those clearly contained in the Constitution itself. All others are reserved to the States or to the people. So it is in the Masonic organization, as evidenced by the ancient Constitutions, as found in the "*old charges*" of 1723—and though no national organization exists, yet the repeated attempts to form one for the management of the most general features of the Institution, most clearly indicates the necessity for such an organization. So soon as the plan for forming such an organization was presented, as the foregoing principles of our government has indicated, we see it adopted, and we trust to see it carried into successful operation ere three years more shall have elapsed.

But to continue our analogy, as the best method of expressing our ideas; the citizens of each State, having through their representatives, formed a general government for general purposes only,

reserving to themselves all other powers and rights not thus expressly granted, have also delegated another portion of their rights and powers to another organization, namely, a State government, making all its powers subordinate to those general powers granted to the General Government, and yet giving it a more particular control over the affairs and interests of each individual State; yet even in this grant of power, every right not expressly granted, was *reserved to the citizen, in his individual capacity*. So it is in the form of government in this institution. The Masons meet, through their delegates, and form a Grand Lodge, in all its powers ever subordinate to the general Constitutions of the Order, confined in all its operations to its own jurisdiction, and limited to the express provisions of its articles of formation. All other powers are reserved, and belong to Masons in their individual capacity.

But the analogy extends even farther, and we continue our illustrations because it is more familiar than any other that could be adduced. Most of our States, all in fact, in a more or less complete form, are composed of little democracies, or communities, in which all citizens take a direct part in the transactions of government, such as the common school district and town of New England, the townships and counties of the Middle and Western States, the counties and parishes of the South and South-West. In like manner the Free Masons of each community form a Lodge, and meeting together as a pure democracy, make their own laws and legislate for themselves in all their own private and particular concerns, always obedient to the will of the majority when properly expressed, and ever subservient to the grants of power they have made through their delegates to their respective Grand Lodges, and to the general Constitutions of the Order.

Such is the nature of our organization, and with a proper understanding of it, is dissipated into thin air the, shall we say absurd, ideas of the inherent rights and powers of Grand Lodges and their original supremacy over Subordinate Lodges and the Craft.

After this illustration of the nature of Grand Lodges, their rights, powers and duties, that of Grand Masters will require but a word. They briefly possess none other than those directly conferred upon them in those "*old charges*," and in the Constitutions of their respective Grand Lodges, or such as are absolutely essential and necessary to the proper performance of the duties imposed upon them by those

Constitutions and charges. All inherent and other claimed rights and powers not thus granted or by a necessary implication to be inferred, never existed, but have been, in every instance, a mere assumption of power, the continual exercise of which, never becomes perpetuated into a right.

It is easy, also, after this to properly define the rights, duties, etc., of Lodges, the members of Lodges, and their representatives in Grand Lodges. Each Lodge undoubtedly possesses the right of expressing its opinion on any Masonic subject, and so far as such expression goes, of instructing its representatives in the Grand Lodge. Should any Lodge, however, vote an instruction on every question to its delegate, and that delegate be bound to vote as instructed, there would be no further use for representatives in the Grand Lodge. A Grand Secretary to receive and record these votes, and a Grand Master to execute them when voted by a majority, is all that would be necessary. The exercise of the power of instruction also supposes that each Lodge is sufficiently wise in and of itself, and that its representatives can receive no light from communion with their brethren from other communities or Lodges. Such a supposition is arrogant and absurd, and yet it forms the basis, not only of the argument for the right of instruction, but is also the principle reason urged against the formation of a General Grand Body. It is the bane of all deliberative assemblies, and destructive of all enlightened legislation and all true progress in government. It presupposes the possession of that wisdom which can neither need nor receive enlightenment, and often places the party instructed in the awkward predicament of voting for what he knows to be an absurdity, perhaps worse, or of dodging the question—not voting at all.

It is also easy to perceive as a necessary corollary from the preliminary remarks, that the presiding officer of a Masonic body necessarily possesses no other powers than those granted him, whether that officer be a Master or Grand Master. His business, when the Lodge is in session, is to preside as the president of any other body does, but it by no means follows, unless it is so expressly named in the grant, that he is above all control of his fellow members. He is bound equally with them to laws of the Order—of the Lodge, of the Grand Lodge, and of the *old charges*. Should the Master, in the opinion of any one, offend as to any of these laws, an appeal lies to

his superior, as from a justice's court to the higher court of appellate jurisdiction, and should the Grand Master offend in the opinion of any, an appeal would lie to his peers, the members of the Grand Lodge—in all cases, however, under such regulations as are legally enacted and so that the harmony or progress of the Order should not be disturbed.

We have thus at some length, though more obscurely than we would wish, endeavored to express our views and give reasons therefor, upon the various points embraced in the heading of this portion of our report. We have embodied in our own language, the opinions of others agreeing with us in sentiment, and combatted those ideas which we have met with in your correspondence differing from our own. A proper understanding of the fundamental principles of our Order, its nature, powers, etc., are of such vital importance, that a mistake would almost prove fatal, and this is our excuse for the length and manner of our treatment of these questions.

As to the rights of Masons generally, including their right of visit; of Masonic Colleges, Schools, Insurance Companies, etc.; of the propriety of Masonic fines; of the qualification necessary to the candidate for initiation, and for the Master who would preside; of Rites and Ceremonies, Uniformity of Work, and the best means of attaining it; of the proper position and nature of the Past Master's Degree and of Side Degrees; of the position of Lodges Under Dispensation, and the propriety of doing business in the Lodge opened in the degree of Entered Apprentice, we have little to say. Our views upon all these subjects, as expressed in our report of last year, have, so far as we have seen, met with an almost unanimous approval, and in many instances met with high commendations from the most distinguished writers of the Craft. In only two or three instances have our views been dissented from, and then we were either misunderstood, or the dissent came from a quarter where we did not expect anything else than dissent from the particular question dissented from. As for instance, Bro. Lewis, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New York, clearly mistook the purport of our remarks relative to the propriety of doing business in the degree of Entered Apprentice. He fully justified his decision by falling back upon a regulation of his Grand Lodge, requiring all business to be transacted with the Lodge opened in the Third Degree—while the only inference intended to be drawn from our remarks was that this matter depended wholly upon

Grand Lodge regulation, and that we thought the interest of Freemasonry would be best subserved by changing the regulation wherever it exists and have all business transacted by Master Masons in a Lodge opened in the First Degree, with Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts as spectators.

There are but few other questions of general importance, and these we shall dispatch with as few words as their nature will admit. We would again call attention of our sister Grand Lodges to the propriety of publishing the returns of their Subordinates. The following do not yet publish these returns: Alabama, Arkansas, Indiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, New Hampshire, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee and South Carolina.

New York says it would cost too much to publish the names of their thirty odd thousand members. How much? Two cents for each Mason! Is this economy, brethren of New York? Just give the subject another moment of consideration.

We notice also with pleasure that many of our sister Grand Lodges are taking steps to republish their proceedings. We have already in our Grand Lodge Library those of California, Connecticut, Florida, Iowa, Ohio and Texas, while others, like ourselves, have the undertaking progressing towards a happy completion.

Your chairman, as one of your delegates, attended at Chicago, and assisted in the preliminary organization of a national character, entitled—

“A NORTH AMERICAN MASONIC CONGRESS.”

We here insert the whole proceedings, the perusal of which, with the accompanying address, will be the best passport to your favor:

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE MASONIC CONVENTION,

HELD AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, SEPTEMBER 13 AND 14, 1859.

In pursuance of previous notice to the various Grand Lodges of the United States, and in accordance with the expressed wish of Delegates from many of said Grand Lodges, a Masonic Convention assembled in the Masonic Temple, at Chicago, Illinois, on Tuesday evening, September 13th, 1859, at 7 o'clock.

Brother RON MORRIS, of Kentucky, moved that Brother Finlay M. King, of New York, be appointed President, which was unanimously agreed to.

Brother F. M. KING, on taking the chair, addressed the Convention as follows:

BRETHREN—I am very grateful to you for the honor you confer upon the State of New York, in the election of myself to the chairmanship of this National Convention. It is an honor of which any per-

son might feel proud ; for I discover that the Convention not only represents a large proportion of the Masonic sovereignties of the Union, but that it is composed of gentlemen of the highest distinction in the different States from which you have come, and it embodies an amount of legislative and judicial talents and experience rarely combined in a national body. It is to me a most gratifying feature, that among the discordant notes that have been sounded from the political and religious organizations of the American Union, carrying in their vibrations fear and apprehension to the patriotic minds of the country, there is in this body an evident disposition not only to fill up the breaches between different sections of the Union thus created, but to establish new bonds and ligaments that will strengthen and cement the ties that have bound the nation together.

You have come here, brethren, not only as the representatives of the central States of our confederacy, but from different and distant portions of the country, to interchange views, to compare opinions, and, if possible, to agree upon some plan that shall unite and harmonize and nationalize the Masonic Fraternity of the United States. While the history of the past has thrown a shadow of distrust upon all efforts of this kind, tending to establish a national organization in Symbolic Masonry, I have confidence to believe, that if the result of your deliberations shall present a plan that will not impair the efficiency or sovereignty of the Grand Lodges, that will be practicable and utilitarian in its movements and expected results, and will give a tone of nationality and unity to the Masonic sentiments of the country, it will receive, I think, and will deserve the approval of the Grand Lodges of the United States.

I wait your pleasure for such action as the Convention may think proper to take.

On motion, Brother Rob Morris was appointed Secretary.

On motion of Brother IRA A. W. BUCK, of Illinois, a roll of Grand Lodges was called, when it appeared the following were represented by Delegates, as follows :

ARKANSAS.—Luke E. Barber, E. H. English, Albert Pike, Gabriel McCowan.

CALIFORNIA.—Charles Marsh.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.—B. B. French.

ILLINOIS.—Ira A. W. Buck, Levi Lusk, N. D. Elwood, H. G. Reynolds, Harrison Dills, A. W. Blakesley.

IOWA.—J. R. Hartsock, T. S. Parvin, E. A. Guilbert.

LOUISIANA.—J. Q. A. Fellows, H. R. Swasey, Samuel G. Risk.

MAINE.—A. B. Thompson, Cyril Pearl, Robert P. Dunlap, Freeman Bradford, Moses Dodge, John J. Bell, E. P. Burnham.

MISSISSIPPI.—Giles M. Hillyer, M. S. Ward

MINNESOTA.—A. T. C. Pierson, R. S. Alden (proxy for A. E. Ames), G. W. Prescott.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.—Moses Paul.

NEW YORK.—John L. Lewis, Jr., Finlay M. King, James M. Austin.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—Henry Buist, A. G. Mackey, David Ramsey.

VERMONT.—P. C. Tucker, Thomas H. Campbell, Gamaliel Washburn.

When, on motion of Brother Jno. L. Lewis, Jr., it was ordered that such members of Grand Lodges who were present, and did not feel authorized to act as delegates of their respective Grand Lodges, be invited to sit in this Convention as advisory members.

Whereupon the following brethren answered to their names, and were recorded as such, viz :

ALABAMA.—S. A. M. Wood, H. P. Watson, Daniel Sayer, and E. Hastings.

OHIO.—H. E. Stokes.

RHODE ISLAND.—Wm. C. Barker.

TENNESSEE.—Jno. Frizzell, James Penn, W. H. Whiton, R. S. Northcott, and H. Sheffield.

WISCONSIN.—L. M. Tracey.

Brother A. G. MACKEY, of South Carolina, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That a committee of five be appointed by the President, to prepare and present a plan of permanent organization; said committee to report to-morrow evening at 7½ o'clock.

The following members were appointed that committee: A. T. C. Pierson, of Minnesota; Albert G. Mackey, of South Carolina; John L. Lewis, Jr., of New York; Philip C. Tucker, of Vermont; Cyril Pearl, of Maine.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned until to-morrow evening, at 7½ o'clock.

FINLAY M. KING, President.

ROB MORRIS, Secretary.

## SECOND DAY.

CHICAGO, September 14, 1859.

The Convention was called to order at 7½ o'clock, P. M., by Brother Finlay M. King, President.

On motion of Brother T. S. PARVIN, of Iowa, Brothers Abner B. Thompson, of Maine, and J. Q. A. Fellows, of Louisiana, were appointed Vice Presidents.

On motion of Brother A. T. C. PIERSON, of Minnesota, Brothers Sam'l G. Risk, of Louisiana, and S. A. M. Wood, of Alabama, were appointed Assistant Secretaries.

On motion, Brother Levi Lusk, of Illinois, was appointed Treasurer.

Brother A. T. C. PIERSON, from the Committee appointed to draft a plan for a permanent organization, submitted a report, which, on motion of Brother B. B. FRENCH, was accepted.

This report was then read article by article, and several amendments being offered by Brothers ALBERT PIKE, GILES M. HILLYER, IRA A. W. BUCK, and accepted by the committee, by unanimous consent, the plan was read as follows:

In order to form a closer union and increase of harmony among the Grand Lodges of America—to secure and cultivate fraternal relations with the Grand Lodges of the world—to extend our knowledge of the History, Work, Symbolism, Philosophy, and Jurisprudence of Craft Masonry; in order that questions of law and jurisdiction may be equitably and permanently adjusted, that all agitated questions of general Masonic interest may be considered and determined for the general benefit of Masonry—we propose the following Articles of Association:

ARTICLE 1. The Grand Lodges of North America do hereby form a "A North American Masonic Congress."

ART. 2. This Congress shall consist of three Representatives from each Grand Lodge in North America assenting thereto; Representatives to be selected as each of the Grand Lodges may severally determine.

ART. 3. The officers shall be a President, and a Senior and Junior Vice Presidents, and Secretary, who shall be elected at each session, and except the Secretary, the official duties of each shall cease with the close of the session.

ART. 4. There shall also be elected at each session three Permanent Committees, each consisting of five members:

1. Committee of International Correspondence.
2. Committee of Work, Symbolism and Philosophy.
3. Committee of Jurisprudence, embracing Masonic History and Antiquities.

The Chairman of the several committees shall constitute an Executive Committee to supervise and direct the correspondence, and in connection with the Secretary, prepare reports and present business for the next meeting.

The meetings of the Congress shall be called to order for organization by the Secretary, or in his absence by the Chairmen of Committees in the order named.

ART. 5. Meetings shall be held triennially, on the Friday preceding the second Tuesday of September, and in such place as the Congress may from time to time determine.

ART. 6. The Representatives of a majority of the Grand Lodges associated shall be necessary to form a quorum.

ART. 7. The Congress may take cognizance of all cases of difference which may occur between two or more Grand Lodges : *provided* the parties shall mutually submit the said difference to its decision.

ART. 8. The Congress may consult and advise on questions of Masonic law and jurisprudence, to the end that a uniformity of law and usage may be accomplished ; but it shall not assume the exercise of any power in the enforcement of its decrees, except such as may result from the mere force of opinion.

ART. 9. It shall be in order, at any session of the Congress, to provide for the reading of papers or essays, or the delivery of discourses upon Masonic subjects.

ART. 10. The incidental expenses of each Congress, necessary to the transaction of its business, shall be borne by the Grand Lodges parties thereto, being equally divided among them.

ART. 11. The ratification of these Articles by five Grand Lodges shall be sufficient for the organization of the Congress.

ART. 12. No change in these Articles shall be made without the consent of three-fourths of the Grand Lodges parties thereto.

ART. 13. Any Grand Lodge may become a member of this Congress, by adopting the Articles of Association.

ART. 14. Should any Grand Lodge desire to withdraw from this Congress, it can do so ; but it is expected, as a matter of Masonic courtesy, that it will adopt a resolution to that effect in open Grand Lodge, and give notice thereof to the Secretary of the Congress.

SUPPLEMENTARY ARTICLE. When five Grand Lodges shall have ratified these Articles, pursuant to the provisions of Article 11th, and shall have notified a Secretary, to be hereafter elected, of such decision, he shall thereupon issue a circular to the several Grand Lodges specified in Article 2d, inviting them to affiliate with this body, and to assemble in Congress at the city of Memphis, Tennessee, on the Friday preceding the second Tuesday of September, 1862.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we, the Delegates to this Congress, have hereunto set our hands to the foregoing Articles, at Chicago, in the State of Illinois, this 14th day of September, 1859, subject to the ratification thereof by our respective Grand Lodges.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. T. C. PIERSON,	} Committee.
A. G. MACKEY,	
PHILIP C. TUCKER,	
JOHN L. LEWIS, JR.,	
CYRIL PEARL,	

Brother J. Q. A. FELLOWS then moved that the plan as read be adopted ; when Brother A. B. THOMPSON called for a vote by Grand Lodges, which resulted as follows :

AYES.—Arkansas, District of Columbia, Louisiana, Maine, Minnesota, New York, South Carolina, Vermont, Iowa—Total, 9.\*

\* Several Representatives from other Grand Lodges, sitting as advisory members, and not feeling authorized to vote, expressed their full approbation of the plan, and had no doubt it would meet with the sanction of their respective Grand Bodies.



Brother G. M. HILLYER, of Mississippi, stated that the plan, as amended, met his personal approbation. In deference, however, to the known wishes of Mississippi, in opposition to a General Grand Lodge, or Central Confederation of Grand Lodges, he would refrain from voting; but expressed the hope that the jurisdiction he represented would, upon reflection, agree to the proposed association.

NAYS.—Brother N. D. ELWOOD, of Illinois, voted No by instruction of his Grand Lodge, but would advocate the plan.

Brother ALBERT G. MACKEY then moved that the Convention now proceed to the election of a Secretary, as provided by "*Supplementary Article*," which was adopted.

Brother Sam'l G. Risk, of Louisiana, being then nominated, was unanimously elected said Secretary.

Brother E. H. ENGLISH, of Arkansas, moved that four members be added to the Committee on Plan of Organization, making a committee of nine, who shall be a Committee of Correspondence; which was adopted.

The Chair appointed the following brethren under the above motion, viz: Giles M. Hillyer, of Mississippi; E. H. English, of Arkansas; John Frizzell, of Tennessee; B. B. French, of District of Columbia.

Brother H. BUIST, of South Carolina, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be, and are hereby, tendered to its President, for the able, courteous and dignified manner in which he has presided over its deliberations.

On motion, the Committee on Correspondence were allowed sufficient time to prepare an Address to the Grand Lodges of North America, to be appended to these proceedings.

On motion of Brother JOHN L. LEWIS, JR., the Committee on Correspondence was continued, and, with the Secretary elect, instructed and empowered to make arrangements, as provided for in Article IV of the plan adopted, for the assembling of the Congress in 1862, in case of its ratification.

On motion of Brother A. G. MACKEY, the Committee of Correspondence was, with the President, empowered to read and approve the minutes of this Convention, when prepared by the Secretaries.

On motion, it was

*Ordered*, That five hundred copies of the proceedings of this Convention be printed immediately for distribution, and that the same be paid for by *pro rata* subscription of the members parties thereto.

On motion of Brother P. C. TUCKER, the Convention then adjourned, *sine die*.

FINLAY M. KING, President.

ABNER B. THOMPSON, }  
J. Q. A. FELLOWS, } Vice Presidents.

ROB MORRIS, Secretary.

SAM'L G. RISK, }  
S. A. M. WOOD, } Assistant Secretaries.

## ADDRESS

TO THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTERS AND GRAND LODGES OF ANCIENT,  
FREE, AND ACCEPTED MASONS ON THE CONTINENT OF NORTH AMERICA.

*Fraternal Salutations :*

By the action of a Convention of Grand Lodges, begun and holden in the city of Chicago, Illinois, the 18th day of September, 1859, in response to a circular issued by the Grand Lodge of Maine, bearing date May, 1857, it is made the duty, as it is the pleasure, of the undersigned, to address you and invite your early and earnest attention to the proceedings of the said Convention, asking that you will, after due consideration, take such action thereon as, in your wisdom, the interests of your distinguished Grand Body and the interests of Craft Masonry seem to require.

The proceedings of the Convention, which form a part of this Circular, so fully define the objects of the organization, as to leave little for this committee to say by way of explanation. The Articles of the Association, in their most essential features, have been before the Grand Lodges of the country for nearly a year, in the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, by her M. W. Grand Master, in response to the circular from Maine. A careful comparison of those articles with these now submitted for your consideration, will show the truth of our assertion, that they have been subjected to a patient and searching review, by five of our number, as well as the careful scrutiny of a very large Convention, representing nearly all the Grand Lodges of the United States, to which the largest liberty was allowed for criticism and amendment. We certify you that the articles agreed upon, and the course pursued in their adoption, give ample assurance of our desire to guard the rights, dignity and authority of the several Grand Lodges, and to present the basis of an Association "potent for good and impotent for evil," on which they may safely unite in promoting the progress and prosperity of our ancient and cherished fraternity.

Nor need we devote much time or space to show that Craft Masonry has need of such an organization. In the face of all assertions to the contrary, we array the simple facts unfolded in the history of efforts to secure this object, so fully presented in the proceedings of Minnesota, for 1858. We may also appeal to the able circular put forth by the Convention which formed the basis of a National Confederation in the City of Washington, in January, 1855.

If we go back to the formation of our National Union, we find Pennsylvania nominating our distinguished brother, GEORGE WASHINGTON, as General Grand Master of Masons, and desiring the Lodges of the country to unite with her in placing him at the head of a General Grand Lodge. Georgia in 1790, South Carolina in 1799, and Pennsylvania in 1809, endeavored to unite the Grand Lodges in a General Grand Lodge. In 1822, as the result of a Convention held in the City of Washington, a resolution was adopted declaring it "expedient and for the gen-

eral interests of the Order to constitute a General Grand Lodge of the United States." The circular, which was sent out to the Grand Lodges, was signed by

M. W. JOHN MARSHALL, of Virginia;  
 M. W. HENRY CLAY, of Kentucky;  
 M. W. WILLIAM WINDER, of Maryland;  
 WILLIAM S. CARDELL, of New York;  
 M. W. JOEL ABBOT, of Georgia;  
 JOHN HOLMES, of Maine;  
 HENRY BALDWIN, of Pennsylvania;  
 JOHN H. EATON, of Tennessee;  
 M. W. WILLIAM H. SEATON, of Washington;  
 M. W. H. C. BURTON, of North Carolina;  
 M. W. CHRISTOPHER RANKIN, of Mississippi;  
 M. W. REV. THADDEUS MASON HARRIS, of Massachusetts.

As we turn to these early efforts, and look back upon these venerable names, most of which are now transferred to "THE RECORDS OF THE SILENT LODGE," we are reminded of the words of one of our own living poets—

"The dead govern—the living but obey."\*

The thoughts, the convictions and aspirations of the dead now animate the hopes, inspire the purposes, and direct the energies of the living. It would seem almost disrespectful to their memory to seriously re-argue the question now, which they so well demonstrated in the maturity of their manhood.

It is true their appeal was unsuccessful. Their cherished object was defeated by adverse action on the part of some Grand Lodges. Some of the arguments by which the Masonic writers of that day defeated this effort, have been revived and republished in reply to the Maine Circular, as the best possible arguments against it. We mean no disrespect to the living or the dead, when we say that the circular signed by John Marshall, Henry Clay, and their illustrious compeers, remains to this day unanswered and unanswerable—a monument of Masonic fidelity and sagacity, worthy of their legal, civic, and literary fame, and their moral worth.

The committee deem it unnecessary to urge the consideration, that the objects aimed at by the Congress are worthy of the most earnest efforts of the ablest minds of the age. These objects are so fully stated in the Articles of Confederation as to need no enumeration. The whole field of Masonic labor and research, embracing all countries and all time, is before us, affording ample scope for our highest energies, leaving neither time nor motive for profitless controversy or arbitrary legislation.

The Masonic Fraternity on this Continent are in a course of resistless progress in numbers, in mental and moral force, with increasing desires for more light and a broader humanity. Our relations with the older nations, from which waves of population are flowing to us across the two great oceans of the world's commerce,

\* Albert Pike.

are such as to render it increasingly desirable for us to know the condition and progress of our ancient Craft in those countries where it had long been cultivated before its altars were consecrated on these western shores.

The practical question which all will weigh is, Will the experiment succeed? Will the objects aimed at be gained? If so, will the results justify the endeavor?

That will depend upon those who make the investment, which need not be very expensive surely, if all or a majority of the Grand Lodges shall cordially unite. The expense of representation need not be a burden, as the meetings will occur but once in three years, and at the same time with the General Grand Masonic Bodies. There is an array of talent and learning now in the Order, which if called forth, may furnish a rich intellectual banquet at every meeting, and may accumulate rich treasures of Masonic lore to benefit ourselves and those who come after us.

We believe that Freemasonry has yet a mission, an altar and a Priesthood, with a future more glorious than the past; and that the advancement of Christian civilization, so far from superseding or rendering it obsolete, will but enlarge and elevate the sphere of its labor, and make still higher demands for all the consecrated talent and Masonic skill we can train around our altars. Is it too much for us to ask a fair experiment for the organization here proposed?

May we not hopefully invite all the Grand Lodges on this continent to give their hand and heart to these Articles of Association, and meet us with a full representation of their highest wisdom and skill at the Congress proposed for 1862? With this cherished hope we ask that you will give an early response to this circular, so soon as your Grand Lodge shall be able to consider and decide upon the subject herein presented.

The committee also invite suggestions in relation to the subjects within the range of its inquiry, that may need the early attention of such a Congress.

All communications in reply to this circular should be addressed to the Chairman of this committee, care of Ira Berry, Esq., Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Maine, whose office is at Portland, Maine.

CYRIL PEARL, Maine.

A. T. C. PIERSON, Minnesota.

ALBERT G. MACKEY, South Carolina.

JOHN L. LEWIS, Jr., New York.

PHILIP C. TUCKER, Vermont.

GILES M. HILLYER, Mississippi.

BENJ. B. FRENCH, District of Columbia.

ELBERT H. ENGLISH, Arkansas.

JOHN FRIZZELL, Tennessee.

We have but little to add relative to this subject. The previous discussion in this report, the ideas we have advanced, when carried out to their legitimate result, constitutes our argument for the adoption of the proposed articles. We see no necessity, however,

for present action, and only suggest that they be laid before the Craft, with the rest of our report, so that after mature deliberation, this Grand Lodge can come to a conclusion which will be satisfactory to all. We would add, however, that our views of the nature, rights, powers, etc., of Lodges, Grand and Subordinate, would be best determined, as right or wrong, by a proper discussion in a Congress of Masons, and for such reason, we recommend the final ratification of the proposed "Articles of Association."

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, *For Committee.*

### GRAND ORIENT OF FRANCE.

On motion of Bro. J. C. BATCHELOR, made and adopted at the session of Monday, February 20th, 1860, the subjoined decree of the Grand Orient of France, was ordered to be appended to the above report; in order that the brethren of our own jurisdiction, as well as all with whom we are in fraternal correspondence, may see the Masonic character and standing of the chief disturber of Masonic Peace and Harmony in this jurisdiction:

GRAND COLLEGE OF RITES—SUPREME COUNCIL OF THE GRAND INSPECTORS GENERAL OF THE THIRTY-THIRD AND LAST DEGREE OF THE ANCIENT-ACCEPTED-SCOTTISH RITE.

[Extract from the Bal. of the Sitting of February 4, 1859, V. E.]

The first day of the Lunar Month called "Adar," in the year of the True L. 5858, the Grand College of Rites, Supreme Council of Grand Inspectors General, regularly convened and fraternally assembled at the Valley of Paris, under the C. C. of the Zenith, near the B. B., at the vertical point corresponding to 48° 50' 14" north latitude, 0° longitude, meridian of Paris, in a place very regular, very strong, and well illuminated, wherein dwell Silence, Peace and Equity:

High twelve, \* \* \* \* \*

Having duly considered the Decree of the GRAND MASTER of the Order, dated June 1st, 1858, which establishes relations of correspondence and amity between the Supreme Council of the Grand Inspectors General, 33d Degree, for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America, at the East of Charleston, and the Grand Orient of France, and considering also the letter notifying said Decree:

Considering the Ballustre of the Grand Officer of Honor of the Order intrusted with the correspondence, etc., dated August 4th, 1858, to Bro.: James Foulhouze, at New Orleans : \*

Considering Articles V, IX and XVII of the Constitutions, Statutes and Regulations of the Most Puiss.: S.: Grand Insp.: Gen.: , in their Grand and Supreme Council of the 33d and last Degree of the Ancient-Accepted-Scottish Rite :

Considering that the above named Bro.: , far from yielding to the observations and from complying with the injunctions transmitted to him by said Ballustre, in the name of the Grand Orient of France, has answered said communication by means of a LIBEL, an act ever *contemptible* in the opinion of honest men, but more especially odious from a Mason :

Considering that this recent fact places Bro.: James Foulhouze outside of the conditions of High Morality, which ought to distinguish and recommend all Masons, and more especially a Brother invested with the dignity of Grand Inspector General :

Considering, moreover, that the previous acts for which he has been censured, and in the commission of which he still persists, constitute an evident violation of his obligations towards the Grand Orient, and consequently the FORFEITURE OF HIS HONOR, unanimously *DECREES* :

1st, That the name of Bro.: James Foulhouze be and is hereby and forever ERASED FROM ITS BOOK OF GOLD ;

2d, That the PATENT of G.: I.: G.: , 33d Degree, which was delivered to him by the Grand Orient of France, on the 27th of September, 1845, is VOID AND OF NO EFFECT ;

3d, That notice of this Decree shall be given, through the *Official Bulletin*, to all the Masonic Bodies of this jurisdiction, WHOSE DUTY IT SHALL BE TO REFUSE ADMISSION INTO THEIR TEMPLES OF ALL MASONS BEARING DIPLOMAS ISSUED BY THE SELF-STYLED POWER OF WHICH JAMES FOULHOUZE CALLS HIMSELF THE CHIEF ;

4th, That said Decree shall be communicated through the Grand Officer of Honor of the Order, intrusted with the correspondence, etc., to all the Masonic Powers of the Globe, to the end that they may give the same such attention as is right and proper.

A true copy : The Grand Officer of Honor, intrusted  
with the correspondence, etc.,

} REXES, 33d.

\* See Proceedings of 1859—Appendix, pages, 82, 83 and 84.

The Worshipful Grand Secretary then read the following

**Report from Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1.**

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

In accordance with the annual custom, I respectfully beg leave to submit the following report of the "work" of Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1, for the year which has just passed.

Nothing has occurred during the last twelve months to call for special notice. The previous reports of the Relief Lodge have entered fully into detail as to the mode of dispensing our charities, and it is not deemed necessary to recapitulate them, except so far as to state that the same general plan has been pursued, viz: "to furnish relief to a sick brother; to bury the dead, and to relieve those widows and orphans among us, whose antecedents we know." And also, as far as our ability will permit, to assist visiting brethren from other jurisdictions who have been overtaken by misfortunes, to return to their homes, or place of destination. Thanks to a kind Providence, we were visited by no epidemic last summer, and have been enabled not only to relieve the wants of all worthy applicants, but also to liquidate all claims against the Lodge.

The greatest number of applications for relief has been from unaffiliated members of the Order, and in many instances from those who have remained from ten to twenty years in that condition. Our By-Laws provide that assistance shall not be granted an applicant, if he has remained unaffiliated over one year. This rule has met the almost universal approval of the Grand Lodges of the United States, and is always observed, except in case of sickness or death of a stranger among us, when there is no opportunity to make the necessary investigations, and prompt action is required.

If all the Grand Lodges would publish the list of members of their Subordinate Lodges, it would save much time and trouble to the officers of the Relief Lodge in detecting imposters and unworthy applicants, as they generally hail from those jurisdictions which do not publish such lists. In their absence, the applicant receives the benefit of the doubt, and it has not unfrequently happened that months afterwards we learn that he was not even entitled to the respect of the good and true.

Our Secretary, Brother A. De Sola, has enabled us to prepare the

following statement of the receipts and disbursements of the Relief Lodge for the past year:

### RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand January 1, 1859.....	\$348 02
Received from Perfect Union, No. 1.....	112 00
"    "    Friends of Harmony, No. 58.....	308 00
"    "    Mount Moriah, No. 59.....	239 00
"    "    George Washington, No. 65.....	304 00
"    "    Dudley, No. 66.....	220 25
"    "    Marion, No. 68.....	450 75
"    "    Hiram, No. 70.....	171 25
"    "    Alpha, No. 72.....	101 50
"    "    Quitman, No. 76.....	227 25
"    "    Louisiana, No. 102.....	100 00
"    "    Home, No. 142.....	74 25
"    "    Ocean, No. 144.....	130 00
Donation from Grand Lodge of Texas.....	521 00
"    "    Grand Lodge of Ohio.....	200 00
"    "    Grand Lodge of Georgia.....	100 00
"    "    Grand Lodge of Iowa.....	50 00
"    "    Grand Lodge of Wisconsin.....	50 00
"    "    Grand Lodge of Rhode Island.....	42 70
"    "    Thibodaux Benevolent Lodge, No. 90, of Louisiana.....	25 00
"    "    Pelican Chapter Rose X, No. 11, "    ".....	17 00
"    "    Eagle Council K—H, No. 6, "    ".....	2 05
"    "    Wm. M. Perkins, "    ".....	31 75
Returned by an Illinois Brother.....	10 00
For use of Vaults.....	158 00
Total receipts.....	<u>\$4,043 77</u>

### DISBURSEMENTS.

To applicants from Alabama.....	\$ 10 00
"    "    California.....	50 00
"    "    Florida.....	10 00
"    "    Illinois.....	40 00
"    "    Indiana.....	40 00
"    "    Iowa.....	35 00
"    "    Kentucky.....	55 00
"    "    Massachusetts.....	34 00
Amount carried forward.....	<u>\$ 274,00</u>



Amount brought forward.....	\$ 274 00
To applicants from Michigan .....	30 00
"    "    Mississippi.....	40 00
"    "    Missouri.....	65 00
"    "    New Jersey.....	15 00
"    "    New York.....	122 00
"    "    Ohio.....	40 00
"    "    Pennsylvania.....	101 00
"    "    South Carolina.....	105 00
"    "    Texas .....	490 86
"    "    Virginia .....	15 00
"    "    Wisconsin.....	15 00
"    "    Canada West.....	103 75
"    "    Ireland .....	20 00
"    "    Jamaica.....	30 00
"    "    Nova Scotia.....	35 00
"    "    Scotland.....	45 00
To Masons of Louisiana .....	35 00
Widows and Orphans of Louisiana .....	501 00
Tomb Expenses.....	114 50
Walter Nicol, old note and interest.....	480 00
T. W. Bothick, Undertaker, balance of old account.....	55 00
Printing, stationery, advertising, postage, etc.....	101 20
Salary of Secretary six months, 1858.....	30 00
"    "    twelve months, 1859 .....	60 00
Compiling Register in 1857.....	50 00
Discount on Drafts.....	95
Incidental Expenses and Tying.....	44 60
Total Disbursements of the year 1859.....	\$3,018 86
Amount in the Treasury.....	1,024 91
	<u>\$4,043 77</u>

## RECAPITULATION OF DISBURSEMENTS.

To Masons of Louisiana.....	\$ 35 00
"    of other jurisdictions.....	816 75
	<u>\$ 851 75</u>
Widows and Orphans of Louisiana.....	\$501 00
"    "    of other jurisdictions.....	729 86
	<u>1,230 86</u>
Total Relief granted in 1859.....	<u>\$2,082 61</u>
Amount carried forward.....	\$ 2,082 61

Amount brought forward.....	\$2,082 61
To Tomb expenses .....	\$114 50
Old note and interest due Bro. Walter Nicol.....	480 00
Old balance due Bro. T. W. Bothick .....	55 00
Printing, stationery, advertising, postage, etc.....	101 20
Secretary's salary, 18 months.....	90 00
Compiling Register in 1857 .....	50 00
Tying and incidental expenses.....	44 60
Discount on drafts.....	95
	<hr/> 986 25
Total disbursements of 1859.....	<hr/> \$3,018 86 <hr/>

An eminent brother has truly remarked, that "in the world there will always be suffering to alleviate, sorrows asking for sympathy, necessities and destitution to relieve, and ample occasion for the exercise of active charity and benevolence." To this holy and noble cause has the "work" of Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1, been devoted, so far as its ability and means would permit; ever remembering that

"Nothing truly can be termed mine own  
But what I make mine own by using well.  
Those deeds of charity which we have done  
Shall stay forever with us; and that wealth  
Which we have so bestowed, we only keep;  
The other is not ours."

And while we only asked the approval of our own consciences for having endeavored faithfully to perform our duty, we are not insensible to the encomiums which have been paid to the "work" of the Lodge by the Grand Lodges of the United States. More especially would Louisiana Relief Lodge return their thanks to the Grand Lodges of Texas, Ohio, Georgia, Iowa, Wisconsin and Rhode Island, for the generous and liberal donations they have made during the past year to our treasury—as is shown in the table of receipts—thus not only cheering us on with words of comfort, but also assisting us with material aid.

During the past year, Thibodaux Benevolent Lodge, No. 90, located at Thibodaux, in this State, donated \$25 to our treasury, and Past Grand Master Wm. M. Perkins, to whom the Relief Lodge has always been indebted for his cordial sympathy and support, contributed

\$31 75 to the funds of the Lodge, at the same time stating that it was his intention to contribute the same amount annually.

Kellertown Lodge, No. 124, located at Kellertown, in this State, passed a resolution appropriating \$ 50 to the Relief Lodge, should she require it. Fortunately the health of the city during the past summer enabled us to dispense with drawing this amount, but we feel no less the kindness and brotherly spirit which prompted their action.

The example of Louisiana Relief Lodge has been deemed worthy of imitation by our brethren in other jurisdictions, and associations similar to our own have been formed in the cities of New York, Boston, San Francisco, Brooklyn, Buffalo, St. Louis, Louisville and Galveston. So far as we know, beneficial results have followed their establishment in these cities.

For the information of the brethren of our own jurisdiction it has been deemed proper to make a few extracts from the printed proceedings of the Grand Lodges of the United States, in order that our members may know and appreciate the fraternal feeling and sympathy displayed towards them by our brethren of other jurisdictions.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, of the Grand Lodge of Alabama,, in their report for 1858, in noticing Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1, say:

"This institution of positive benevolence, was very much applauded by your committee two years since, with a promise that, when needed, some more substantial aid would be rendered. We see from the published report that aid has been granted to Masons, their widows and orphans, from Alabama. The declared objects of the Lodge are 'to furnish relief to a sick brother, to bury the dead, and to relieve those widows and orphans among us whose antecedents we know.' It is well known that the terrible scourge of the South has again swept over the city of New Orleans this year, and now, if ever, our brethren need help. We are, therefore, induced to offer a resolution appropriating a sum, perhaps, not as great as they have extended for Masons from this jurisdiction."

We are unable to find any such resolution in their printed proceedings.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of California, in their report for 1859, say:

"The usual report of Louisiana Relief Lodge appears in the proceedings, with its accustomed credit to the brethren who present it. This body is now composed of the representatives of twelve Lodges in the city of New Orleans, and it is worthy of remark that neither of the three rebellious Lodges before named [Polar Star, No. 1, Perseverance, No. 4, and St. Andrew, No. 5,] have ever been con-

nected with the organization. The disbursements for charity during the year ending January 1, 1858, amounted to \$2,372. Of this sum \$370 was for an applicant from California; and were it not that private information leads us to believe that our brethren in New Orleans were grossly imposed upon in this instance, we should, as we did last year, recommend that this amount be reimbursed to them. Many impositions of this kind are complained of; and while suggesting that all the Grand Lodges publish complete lists of membership each year, it is remarked that most of the imposters thus far discovered by that Lodge have hailed from jurisdictions which do not pursue that practice."

After which they give an abstract of the "work" of the Lodge.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, in their report for 1859, after noticing the amounts disbursed by the Relief Lodge, make the following remarks:

"This is truly a magnificent charity, and worthy of all praise; yet it seems to your committee that the action of the Relief Lodges of New Orleans and San Francisco is by many misapprehended. It is, after all, only the usual distribution of Masonic charity *by system*. Those Lodges which contribute to the support of Relief Lodges do not make charitable appropriations of themselves, but refer all applicants to the Relief Lodge. It thus becomes, as it were, simply a committee to disburse the charities of all the Lodges which contribute to its funds. Perhaps as large, or even larger amounts were formerly expended by the several Lodges individually—but certainly not so wisely.

"The most noticeable feature of this system seems to be the detection of numerous imposters, who, previously, and in a systematic manner, preyed upon the funds sacred to charitable uses. It were well for our Lodges to bear in mind that many applicants for relief are base imposters, and that they cannot, in a fraternal manner, scrutinize too closely, or test too severely. It is the duty of every Lodge or brother to satisfy himself in all such cases."

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of Missouri, in their report of 1859, after stating the "work" of the Relief Lodge, say:

"This is truly a noble work in which our brethren of New Orleans are engaged, and it will stand the test of the Grand Overseer's square when presented before the throne of the Eternal."

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of Maryland, in their report of 1858, after quoting the report of the Relief Lodge for 1857, *in extenso*, make the following remarks:

"It is likely that in the large cities of our country an average of two thousand dollars for each is expended in contributions to traveling mendicants, who are almost always unworthy characters, and to others, without sufficient information

in relation to their habits and associations. If the same amount were directed through such an agency as a Relief Lodge, whose duty it would be to make the necessary inquiries into the condition and characters of all applicants, the means of the Lodges would be more satisfactorily expended and produce much more gratifying results."

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, in their report for 1859, after giving a synopsis of the "work" of the Relief Lodge, say:

"Our brethren have displayed extraordinary zeal in their efforts to relieve the wants and necessities of the afflicted, who have knocked at their doors, and not been sent empty away. We have not language equal to the occasion to do justice to their disinterested motives."

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of Texas, in their report of 1859, after noticing the report of the Relief Lodge, conclude their remarks as follows:

"The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, Bro. Fellows, in noticing the resolution passed by our Grand Lodge at Waco, requesting the Relief Lodge to be governed by our own rules as to applicants from Texas, says that this has always been done, and that applications for relief from persons claiming to be Texas Masons, receive no attention, unless their names are found on the Grand Lodge Catalogue. The Relief Lodge notices, with thanks, the resolution passed by our Grand Lodge at Waco, to refund to that Lodge the amount expended for Masons from this jurisdiction, but says the amount has not been received. There must be some mistake here somewhere, and we presume, if the Grand Secretary has not already forwarded it, he will do so at once. We take pleasure in reporting the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the sum of two hundred and sixty-three dollars be appropriated to Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1, that being the amount expended by that Lodge last year in behalf of Texas Masons who were in distress and relieved by it."

A reference to our table of receipts will show that both donations were received during the past year.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin, in their report of 1859, say:

"Your Committee regret that they are unable to copy entire the report of Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1. In no part of the Union are the Brethren doing so noble a work as the few New Orleans Lodges that contribute to this Relief Lodge. During the epidemic of the summer of 1858, they were called upon for relief, day and night, and in every case were these calls promptly responded to. One principal object of the association is to furnish Masons dying there, strangers, decent rites of sepulture, and to mark their final resting place with suitable tombstones;

that the dead body of a brother may not be thrown in with the indistinguishable mass of a Potter's field."

They then give an abstract of the "work" of the Lodge for the year 1858, and append the following resolution:

*"Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin, in grateful appreciation of the kindness and assistance bestowed upon sick and destitute Brethren of this jurisdiction by the Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1, and as a small token of sympathy with its ends and aims, hereby appropriate the sum of fifty dollars for the use of such charity, and direct that it be transmitted to the presiding officer of that body."*

From the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of Georgia, for 1858, we make the following extract:

"We have read with pleasure and profit the Report of Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1, of its labors of charity from 1851 to November, 1857. This truly charitable association is mainly supported by a monthly tax upon the members of thirteen of the Lodges in the city of New Orleans; and its only object is, to comfort the fatherless and the widow, relieve the wants of indigent brethren, and provide a last resting-place for the dead stranger. These brethren have expended in these acts of benevolence the sum of \$11,063 15. No true Mason can read the evidence of this practical illustration of the tenets of our Order without emotions of pride and a desire to participate in the enjoyment that must result from such fidelity to duty. The brethren of the Relief Lodge furnish an example worthy of all imitation. They cheerfully bear the increased pecuniary burden incident to a creditable support of Lodges in large cities—provide for the wants of their own poor, and for the relief of the stranger sojourning among them—voluntarily submit to a tax larger in amount than is levied for all purposes in other jurisdictions. They are entitled to substantial evidence of the appreciation of such devotion to the Order by the Grand Lodges of the country. In 1857, there was paid out for the relief of the needy the sum of \$2180 20—\$70 of which was paid to brethren from this jurisdiction. The honor of Georgia Masonry requires that this sum should be refunded with compound interest, that "the cruse and meal-bag" of our brethren of the Relief Lodge be not empty. We recommend that the sum of \$100 be paid to the Treasurer of Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1, with the thanks of the Grand Lodge of Georgia, for the relief extended to needy members from this State."

The Committee appended to their report the following resolution, which was adopted by the Grand Lodge:

*"Resolved, That the Treasurer of Relief Lodge, No. 1, of Louisiana, be authorized to draw on the Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Georgia for the sum of one hundred dollars, and that a copy of this resolution be transmitted by the W. G. Secretary to the W. Master and Wardens of said Lodge."*

Would space permit, several pages could be filled with similar notices from the printed proceedings of the other Grand Lodges in the United States. Sufficient has, however, been quoted to show the estimation in which the "work" of the Relief Lodge is held by our brethren of other jurisdictions. And in returning thanks for the favorable consideration which they have so liberally extended to the Relief Lodge, we can only add that it will always be our endeavor to merit, by a faithful discharge of the sacred duties imposed upon us, a continuance of their kindness and approbation.

Fraternally submitted on behalf of the Lodge,

JAMES B. SCOT, W. M.,  
La. Relief Lodge, No. 1.

Bro. J. C. BATCHELOR then moved that the above report be received, spread upon the minutes, and printed with the proceedings, when

Bro. T. W. PEYTON moved to amend said report by striking therefrom all the *extracts* from the reports of sister Grand Lodges, which motion was LOST, and the question being put on the motion to receive and print as made, it was adopted.

A communication was then read from a body of men styling themselves a Lodge of Freemasons, under the name of "*Silencio Lodge, No. 9,*" which was, on motion, referred to a special committee of five.

The M. W. Grand Master appointed as said special committee: Bros. J. Q. A. Fellows, A. S. Washburn, N. H. Bray, J. H. Sutherlin, and J. C. Batchelor.

The following amendment, offered by Bro. J. Q. A. FELLOWS on February 19th, 1859, was then called up and adopted:

"Amend Section 2, Article I, Chapter 1, of the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge, so as to create a fifth standing committee, to be styled

the "*Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence*," and to be composed of *seven members of the Grand Lodge*.

The following amendment to the By-Laws was then offered by Bro. J. Q. A. FELLOWS, which was, on motion, received and lies over :

Add a new section between sections 4 and 5 in Article III, Chapter 1 of the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge:

"The Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence shall examine and report upon all questions of Masonic law and usage, which may at any time arise in this jurisdiction, and which shall have been referred to them for examination, and report the result to the Grand Lodge in the form of an expression of opinion."

The M. W. Grand Master then announced the following as the standing

**Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence.**

J. Q. A. FELLOWS.....	Marion Lodge.....	No. 68.
A. G. CARTER.....	Mt. Moriah Lodge.....	" 77.
H. R. SWASEY.....	George Washington Lodge....	" 65.
A. J. NORWOOD.....	Kellertown Lodge.....	" 124.
THOS. H. LEWIS.....	Humble Cottage Lodge.....	" 19.
R. F. McGUIRE.....	Western Star Lodge.....	" 61.
JNO. H. HOLLAND.....	Friends of Harmony Lodge....	" 58.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until to-morrow (Tuesday) evening at 6½ o'clock.

(Signed) SAMUEL M. TODD, Grand Master.  
 A. J. NORWOOD, Senior Grand Warden.  
 A. S. WASHBURN, Junior Grand Warden, *pro tem*.



GRAND LODGE HALL,  
NEW ORLEANS, Tuesday, February 14th, 1860. }

The M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, was called to labor this evening in the Third Degree, at half-past six o'clock, the following

**OFFICERS PRESENT:**

SAMUEL M. TODD.....	M. W. Grand Master.
SAMUEL O. SCRUGGS.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
ABEL J. NORWOOD.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
A. S. WASHBURN.....	as R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
L. R. CURTIS.....	as W. Grand Treasurer.
SAMUEL G. RISK.....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
JOHN C. GORDY.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
WM. C. DRIVER.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
J. C. BATCHELOR.....	W. Grand Marshal.
G. W. MUNDAY.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
H. M. CRENSHAW.....	} W. Grand Stewards.
B. DE LUCAS.....	
WM. WALKER.....	
M. A. CALONGNE.....	
JAS. B. SCOT.....	W. Grand Tyler.

A roll of Lodges was then called, and the following were present, viz :

Nos. 3, 4, L. o. 5, ST. A. 5, 19, 28, 45, 46, 47, 51, 52, 53, 57, 58, 59, 61, 63, 65, 66, 68, 70, 72, 75, 76, 77, 78, 87, 88, 96, 98, 99, 101, 102, 103, 111, 112, 116, 124, 125, 127, 129, 130, 132, 139, 140, 141, 145, 146, 147, 148, 151, 152, 153, 155, 157, 158, 160—Total, 57 Chartered Lodges and Brookville, Burnsville, Atchafalaya and Lake Charles, U. D.

The minutes of the Session of the 13th instant were then read and approved.

Bro. D. MITCHELL, the M. W. Grand Master of the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Mississippi, was then announced, and being admitted, was conducted to the East with appropriate honors.

The W. Grand Secretary then submitted the following report, which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Chartered Lodges :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

BRETHREN—I have to report to you that Trinity Lodge, No. 105, has this day made her returns and paid her dues in full. She also sends in a communication, stating that from causes unavoidable the Lodge failed to hold her regular meetings during the past year, and also failed to elect her officers within the constitutional period, and asks that any irregularities in her work may be healed, and the officers elected be installed in form, so that they may continue their labors.

St. Joseph Lodge, No. 79, has also made her returns and paid her dues in full.

Respectfully and fraternally,

SAM'L G. RISK, *Grand Secretary.*

FEBRUARY 14, 1860.

On motion of Bro. G. W. MUNDAY, the M. W. Grand Master was requested and authorized to substitute two members on the Committee on Credentials, in place of Bros. C. R. Purdy and Jacob A. Cohen, absent ; whereupon the M. W. Grand Master appointed Bros. H. M. Crenshaw and Bruno de Lucas, said substitutes, who submitted the following report, which being read, was, on motion, adopted :



Roca, S. W. ; R. W. Stanley, J. W.—who were installed by the M. W. Grand Master, be reported and received as Representatives from said Lodge at this session.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN C. GORDY, } Committee.  
A. S. WASHBURN, }

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges, after a careful examination of all the returns laid before us by the Grand Secretary, respectfully submit the following report :

The following Lodges have made their returns, paid their dues and are correct in every respect :

Nos. P. U. 1, P. S. 1, 3, 5, 19, 28, 38, 44, 45, 46, 47, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 61, 63, 65, 66, 68, 70, 72, 76, 77, 78, 83, 84, 87, 89, 90, 92, 96, 98, 99, 101, 102, 103, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 115, 116, 119, 120, 122, 123, 124, 125, 127, 129, 130, 135, 138, 139, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 150, 151, 152, 153, 155, 157, 158, 160.

The following Lodges have made their returns, but not paid their dues :

Nos. 80, 106, 113, 114, 131, 136, 149.

Huntington Lodge, No. 141, has made its returns and paid its dues, but has omitted to enter the names of some of its members.

Warren Lodge, No. 132, is correct, except the seal is not attached to the returns.

Mount Lebanon Lodge, No. 104, has failed to elect its officers for the ensuing year, and has held only five meetings during the past year, but has paid its dues and made its returns.

Kissatchie Lodge, No. 156, is informal in having reported E. A. and F. C. a second time.

Los Amigos del Orden Lodge, No. 5, is correct, except in omitting the names of some of its members.

Vienna Lodge, No. 106, is incorrect in having returned an E. A. as a member of the Lodge, and having omitted to enter the names of its officers in the list of its members.

St. James Lodge, No. 47, has made its returns and paid its dues, but is informal, entering E. A. and F. C. more than once.

Many Lodge, No. 88, has made its returns and paid a portion of

its dues. The Deputy Grand Master states in his report that for good reasons he granted them time to pay the balance. The returns are incorrect, in having omitted the names of certain members.

Milford Lodge, No. 117, has made its returns and paid a portion of its dues. The returns are irregular, in having returned as members E. A. and demitted brothers.

Cool Spring Lodge, No. 140, has made its returns and paid its dues, but is irregular in having made certain omissions.

Lisbon Lodge, No. 121 has made its returns and paid its dues, but is also irregular by certain omissions.

Feliciana Lodge, No. 31, has made its returns, but owes a balance of dues, and is also irregular in consequence of omissions.

Sabine Lodge, No. 75, has made its returns and paid its dues, all but two dollars and ninety-five cents (\$2 95). The returns are incorrect, in having omitted the names of several of their members; besides, they are bunglingly prepared, and scarcely legible. We recommend to the Master of this Lodge that hereafter he shall see that the returns of his Lodge be made out in a correct, neat, or at least in a legible manner. This Lodge has returned, unnecessarily, a copy of its minutes, which we find in a very rough and irregular form. We hope they will hereafter select a more competent Secretary.

De Soto Lodge, No. 55, has made its returns and paid its dues for the last year in full. Accompanying these returns is a resolution passed by their Lodge, thanking this Grand Lodge for the extension of time granted them heretofore, and asking for still further indulgence, promising to pay the balance due at the earliest possible period; we therefore submit the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That further indulgence be granted to De Soto Lodge, No. 55, for the payment of the debt due by her to this Grand Lodge.

All which is respectfully submitted:

JOHN C. GORDY,	} Committee.
J. C. BATCHELOR,	
A. S. WASHBURN,	

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances submitted the following reports, which being separately read, were on motion adopted as read:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances, have had under consideration a communication from Brother John Caldwell, W. M. of Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 77, representing that a certain Mr. John Reddick has petitioned said Lodge for Initiation, he having sometime before been rejected by Olive Lodge, No. 52 ; and that Olive Lodge refuses to recommend him as is required by Art. II, Sec. 7, of the By-Laws and General Regulations of the M. W. Grand Lodge.

Your committee is unable to discover with certainty what is really the object of this communication. If it be what we presume, from its tenor, that this Grand Lodge should issue an edict ordering Olive Lodge, No. 52, to recommend the petitioner, it is clearly out of the power of the Grand Lodge to do so.

They therefore recommend that the matter be dismissed.

H. R. SWASEY,	} Committee.
A. J. NORWOOD,	
G. W. MUNDAY,	
H. REGENBURG,	

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have had before them a recommendation from St. James Lodge, No. 47, to grant a new trial in the case of F. Perrilat, who was suspended by said Lodge on the 4th October, 1859.

This recommendation is in due form, and the petition should be granted.

Your committee therefore recommend that a new trial be granted in said case, as prayed for.

H. R. SWASEY,	} Committee.
A. J. NORWOOD,	
G. W. MUNDAY,	
H. REGENBURG,	

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have examined the petition of Eli Wright, to be reinstated; recommended by Brothers R. W. Henry, W. B. McCormick and Thomas Millsaps.

This application is informal. Eli Wright had been suspended

indefinitely by D'Arbonne Lodge, No. 128, which Lodge afterwards surrendered its Charter. In a similar case, the petition of L. Rathbun, at the last Grand Communication of this Grand Lodge, it was decided that the brother should seek his relief at the Lodge under whose jurisdiction he resides. This your committee consider the correct doctrine, and we therefore recommend the same course to be pursued in this case.

H. R. SWASEY,	} Committee.
A. J. NORWOOD,	
G. W. MUNDAY,	
H. REGENBURG,	

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your committee have examined the petition of L. Rathbun, who was suspended by the late Bellevue Lodge, No. 95, recommended by Huntington Lodge, No. 141. The recommendation is in due form.

At the last Grand Communication of this Grand Lodge, the petitioner prayed to be reinstated ; the Lodge by which he had been suspended having gone out of existence, his petition was recommended by brethren who had been members of the late Lodge. This was considered informal, and the brother was directed to seek relief at the nearest Lodge. This he has now done, and your committee would recommend that Lysander Rathbun be reinstated to all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

H. R. SWASEY,	} Committee.
A. J. NORWOOD,	
G. W. MUNDAY,	
H. REGENBURG,	

The Special Committee to whom was referred those portions of the address of the M. W. Grand Master, and report of the W. Grand Secretary, relating to the Grand Lodge Library, submitted a report and resolutions, when,

On motion of Bro. THOS. H. LEWIS, the resolutions were taken up previous to the report, and being separately acted on, the report was then read, and with the resolutions adopted, as follows :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your committee to whom was referred that portion of the addresses of the M. W. Grand Master and W. Grand Secretary, relative to the Grand Lodge Library, beg leave most respectfully to report: That, taking into view the present extended state of the Grand Lodge Library, its daily growth and future greatness, and the very limited space at present allotted to it, your committee would most respectfully recommend that the following change be made, so as to give more room to the Library, which would, at the same time, add most materially to the convenience of the Grand Secretary, and to the more perfect transaction, if possible, of the business appertaining to his office.

We would, therefore, respectfully suggest that the rooms at present occupied by the Grand Secretary and Grand Lodge Library, be fitted up as a Grand Lodge Library, and the rooms formerly occupied by the Grand Tyler, be fitted up and rented to the Grand Secretary on the same terms as the office he now occupies. We therefore, to encompass and carry out the above, offer the following resolutions, viz:

*Resolved,* That the two rooms at present occupied by the Grand Secretary and Grand Lodge Library, be fitted up in a proper manner as a Grand Lodge Library, and that the M. W. Grand Master appoint a committee of three to superintend the same, with power to act.

*Resolved,* That the rooms formerly occupied by the Grand Tyler between the first and second floors of the Grand Lodge Hall, be suitably fitted up as an office for the Grand Secretary, and that a committee of three be appointed by the M. W. Grand Master to superintend the same, with power to act.

Respectfully,

S. O. SCRUGGS, }  
AARON HARRIS, } Committee.  
L. H. GARDNER, }

NEW ORLEANS, 14th February, 1860.

The amendment of Bro. J. Q. A. FELLOWS, offered last evening, to "*add a new section between sections 4 and 5 in Article III, Chapter 1 of the By-Laws,*" was then called up, and being read, was on motion, unanimously adopted.

The following amendment, offered by Bro. S. G. PAR-



SONS, W. M. of Harry Hill Lodge, No. 134, on February 18th, 1859, was then called up :

*Resolved*, That Section 1, Article I, of Chapter 1 of the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge, be amended by striking out the word "*February*" in the third line, and inserting "*March*" in lieu thereof.

On motion of Bro. R. F. McGUIRE, it was rejected.

Bro. RENE GUTIERREZ offered the following resolution, which being read, was on motion, rejected :

*Resolved*, That the M. W. Grand Lodge issues such directions as to invite each Lodge under this jurisdiction to hold meetings on a certain day, appointed to celebrate every year the anniversary of St. John's day, and that *no* Lodge *be permitted* to keep or celebrate *any other day* but the one set aside or appointed by the Grand Lodge, in order to enable deputations to proceed with their visiting tour, and be sure to find all Lodges in session on the day appointed.

Bro. L. H. GARDNER submitted the following resolution, which was, on motion of Bro. S. G. RISK, referred to the Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence :

*Resolved*, That the Lodges Subordinate to this Grand Lodge be, and are hereby permitted and authorized to remit the dues of any and all Master Masons, in good standing, who shall have been such for a period of ten years in the Lodge conferring such exemption; always providing, that the Mason thus exempted, shall enjoy the rights and privileges accruing to all Master Masons in good standing.

Bro. WM. WALKER, W. M. of Eastern Star Lodge, No. 151, submitted the following preamble and resolution, which were read and adopted :

WHEREAS, D'Arbonne Lodge, No. 128, expelled G. W. Hicks during the year 1858, for non-payment of dues ; and whereas the said Hicks was a member of the late Independence Lodge, U. D., and on the dissolution of said Independence Lodge, the said Hicks was granted a certificate of good standing by the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, and has ever since been a member of Eastern Star Lodge,

No. 151, and has paid his dues to said Lodge every year, for which he is expelled by the said D'Arbonne Lodge; and whereas the said D'Arbonne Lodge does not now exist as a Lodge: therefore,

*Be it Resolved*, By the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, that the Grand Secretary be authorized to issue a certificate of good standing to Brother G. W. Hicks, upon a recommendation of Eastern Star Lodge, No. 151; and that the said Hick's membership with Eastern Star Lodge, No. 151, be not affected in any way by the above expulsion.

The Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence, to whom was referred the resolution of Bro. L. H. Gardner, submitted the following report, which was, on motion, adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence having had under consideration the resolution authorizing the remittance of dues of members of the Lodge who have held membership in the Lodge for ten consecutive years, report—That legislation upon this subject is unnecessary, for the power already exists in the Lodges of this jurisdiction, there being nothing in the Constitution or By-Laws of the Grand Lodge in any way prohibiting the action contemplated in the resolution referred to this committee; they therefore recommend that the resolution be returned to the mover thereof.

Fraternally submitted,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,	} Committee.
THOS. H. LEWIS,	
R. F. McGUIRE,	
J. H. HOLLAND,	

Deputy Grand Master S. O. SCRUGGS, from the Special Committee to whom was referred that portion of the M. W. Grand Master's Address relating to the death of Past Grand Master Amos Adams and others, after a few eloquent remarks, submitted the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, That in the death of our late Past Grand Master, Amos

Adams, this Grand Lodge feels its irreparable loss, but yields reverently to the Divine Will.

*Resolved*, That in token of the sincere regard in which this Grand Lodge holds the memory of its late Grand Master, that the altar and stands of the various officers be clothed with the usual badge of mourning during the present Convocation.

*Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge tender its sympathies to St. James Lodge, No. 47, at Baton Rouge, for the loss of their kind and generous brother.

*Resolved*, That at the portals of the now widowed mansion of our departed Past Grand Master do we stand, and offer the Mason's cup of consolation to the widow and fatherless children within.

*Resolved*, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Grand Lodge, and that a copy of the same be sent to the family of our late Grand Master, Amos Adams.

Immediately after the reading of the above, Past Deputy Grand Master THOS. H. LEWIS, arose, and, with a solemn dignity, addressed the Grand Lodge in a touchingly and eloquent manner, and moved the adoption of the resolutions reported by the committee, which were unanimously adopted.

A petition was then read from Joseph Ehman, an aged and worthy brother, asking for relief, which was, on motion, referred to a Special Committee of Bros. S. O. Scruggs, H. R. Swasey and H. McFarland.

The M. W. Grand Lodge was then called off until to-morrow (Wednesday) evening, at half-past 6 o'clock.

[Signed] SAM'L M. TODD, Grand Master.  
A. J. NORWOOD, Senior Grand Warden.  
H. REGENBURG, Junior Grand Warden, *pro tem*.

GRAND LODGE HALL,  
NEW ORLEANS, Wednesday, February 15th, 1860. }

The M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, was called to labor this evening in the Third Degree, at half-past six o'clock ; the following

**OFFICERS PRESENT :**

SAMUEL M. TODD.....	M. W. Grand Master.
SAMUEL O. SCRUGGS.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
A. J. NORWOOD.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
H. REGENBURG.....	as R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
L. R. CURTIS.....	as W. Grand Treasurer.
SAM'L G. RISK.....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
JOHN C. GORDY.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
WM. C. DRIVER.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
J. C. BATCHELOR.....	W. Grand Marshal.
G. W. MUNDAY.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
H. M. CRENSHAW.....	} W. Grand Stewards.
E. D. CRAIG.....	
B. DE LUCAS.....	
D. S. BEAUCHAMP.....	
JAS. B. SCOT.....	as } W. Grand Tyler.

A roll of Lodges being called, the following were represented, viz :

Nos. P. S. 1, 3, L. O. 5, ST. A. 5, 19, 28, 31, 44, 45, 46, 50, 51, 52, 53, 55, 57, 58, 59, 61, 63, 65, 66, 68, 70, 72, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 83, 84, 87, 88, 90, 92, 96, 98, 99, 101, 102, 103, 111, 112, 124, 125, 127, 129, 130, 132, 133, 139, 140, 141, 144, 145, 146, 149, 151, 153, 155, 156, 157, 160—Total, 64 Chartered Lodges, and Brookville, Burnsville and Lake Charles, U. D.

Past Grand Master John H. Holland was then announced, and being admitted, was conducted to the East with appropriate honors.

The following Grand Representatives being present, were seated in the East:

Brother R. F. McGUIRE.....	for New York.
“ J. Q. A. FELLOWS.....	“ Vermont.
“ THOMAS H. LEWIS.....	“ Arkansas.
“ SAMUEL M. TODD.....	“ Alabama.
“ SAMUEL G. RISK.....	“ Minnesota.

The minutes of the session of February 14th, were then read and approved.

The Committee on Credentials then submitted the following report, which was read and adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge, namely:

FRIENDS OF HARMONY.....	No. 58—A. De Sola, proxy for S. W.	
MOUNT VERNON.....	No. 83—J. M. Bockius, proxy for W. M.	
GORDY.....	No. 133—John W. Pearce, W. M.	
	L. A. Stafford, S. W.	
	V. Gould, J. W.	
DARLINGTON.....	No. 149—M. H. McCraine, S. W. }	O. L. Collins,
	M. M. Collins, J. W. }	proxy for both.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted:

CHARLES R. PURDY,	} Committee.
R. B. LAWRENCE,	
J. A. COHEN,	

The Grand Secretary then submitted the following report, which was read and adopted:

NEW ORLEANS, February 1, 1860.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

BRETHREN—I have to report to you that Darlington Lodge, No. 149, has this day paid her dues.

Also, that Gordy Lodge, No. 133, has paid her dues, but her returns are in the mail, and not yet received, but will be, probably, to-morrow.

I have had filed in my office an appeal of Brother H. HAWFORD, from the action of OLIVE LODGE, No. 52, in striking him off their roll for non-payment of dues.

Fraternally, etc.,

SAM'L G. RISK, *Grand Secretary.*

The following reports from the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, were then separately read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have examined the case of James G. Mangham vs. Cool Spring Lodge, No. 140, and find the record sent up in this case entirely informal and defective.

We would therefore recommend that Cool Spring Lodge, No. 140, be directed to send up a correct and complete transcript of all the proceedings had on the trial of the said case, in accordance with Chapter II, Article III, Section 7, of the By-Laws of this Grand Lodge.

H. R. SWASEY,	}	Committee.
W. M. PERKINS,		
G. W. MUNDAY,		
H. REGENBURG,		
A. J. NORWOOD,		

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have examined the record sent up by Louisiana Lodge, No. 102, in the case of the appeal of John Touro, who was suspended indefinitely by said Lodge, on the 16th of January, 1860.

The proceedings have been conducted regularly, but the record is defective in this, that the testimony introduced orally before the

Lodge has not been reduced to writing. This defect should be supplied.

We therefore recommend that Louisiana Lodge, No. 102, be directed to cause the testimony of Brothers P. H. Morgan, C. B. Clapp, and T. J. Morgan, to be reduced to writing, in accordance with Article III, Section 7, of the By-Laws of this Grand Lodge, and to return the same to the Grand Secretary.

H. R. SWASEY,	} Committee.
H. REGENBURG,	
W. M. PERKINS,	
G. W. MUNDAY,	
A. J. NORWOOD,	

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have examined the papers on file in the case of Cool Spring Lodge, No. 140, vs. John E. Burch.

Brother John E. Burch was, at the time the circumstances that gave rise to this case occurred, W. M. of the said Lodge. The proceedings in the case seem to be regular, and the testimony of all the witnesses referred to has been taken under a Commission from the M. W. Grand Master.

We find from an examination of the case that the charges are serious, and recommend that the Grand Lodge take it up for trial at as early a time as possible.

H. R. SWASEY,	} Committee.
G. W. MUNDAY,	
A. J. NORWOOD,	
H. REGENBURG,	

On motion of Bro. G. W. MUNDAY, the trial of Bro. John E. Burch was fixed for Friday, the 17th of February, 1860, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

A report, and resolutions appended, were then read from the Special Committee to whom had been referred the communication from Dr. VINCENT A. DE CASTRO and others, styling themselves "*Silencio Lodge, No. 9,*" which, after some debate thereon, was, on motion of

Bro. THOMAS H. LEWIS, laid over and made the special order for Friday evening next, immediately after the completion of the regular business.

The following amendment, offered to the By-Laws by Bro. M. E. GIRARD, being read, Bro. J. C. BATCHELOR moved to receive it, which motion was lost :

*Resolved*, That Section 4 of Article II, Chapter II, of the By-Laws of this Grand Lodge be amended by inserting after the words "*a separate ballot shall be required for each degree*," the words "*which ballot shall be taken in that degree petitioned for*."

The Grand Secretary then read a letter from MAX WOLFF, presenting to the Grand Lodge a Chart handsomely framed, representing one of the inner *Courts of King Solomon's Temple*, embodying the *Origin of the Rites and Worship of the Hebrews*, etc., etc., which was, on motion, accepted, and the Grand Secretary instructed to address a letter of thanks on behalf of the Grand Lodge to the donor.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced the following as the Special Committee to fit up the Grand Lodge Library rooms and the Grand Secretary's office : Bros. AARON HARRIS, WM. H. STEWART and GUSTAVUS SONTAG.

On motion of Bro. A. J. NORWOOD, the hour of 8 o'clock on to-morrow evening was fixed to commence the election of officers.

The M. W. Grand Lodge was then called off until to-morrow (Thursday) evening at half-past six o'clock.

(Signed) SAMUEL M. TODD, Grand Master.  
A. J. NORWOOD, Senior Grand Warden.  
A. G. CARTER, Junior Grand Warden, *pro tem*.



GRAND LODGE HALL,  
NEW ORLEANS, Thursday, February 16, 1860. }

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana was called to labor this evening in the Third Degree, at half-past 6 o'clock, the following

**OFFICERS PRESENT:**

SAMUEL M. TODD.....	M. W. Grand Master.
SAMUEL O. SCRUGGS.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
ABEL J. NORWOOD.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
A. G. CARTER.....	as R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
S. C. MICHELL.....	W. Grand Treasurer.
SAMUEL G. RISK.....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
JOHN C. GORDY.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
WM. C. DRIVER.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
J. C. BATCHELOR.....	W. Grand Marshal.
G. W. MUNDAY.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
H. M. CRENSHAW.....	} W. Grand Stewards.
B. DE LUCAS.....	
E. D. CRAIG.....	
M. A. CALONGNE.....	
JA ES <sup>ts</sup> B. SCOT.....	W. Grand Tyler.

The following Grand Representatives being present, were seated in the East:

BRO. R. F. MCGUIRE.....	for New York.
" J. Q. A. FELLOWS.....	" Vermont.
" THOMAS H. LEWIS.....	" Arkansas.
" SAMUEL M. TODD.....	" Alabama.
" SAMUEL G. RISK.....	" Minnesota.

Bro. WM. A. CHAMPLIN, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the State of Mississippi, being announced,

was admitted and seated in the East, with appropriate honors.

A roll of Lodges was then called, and the following were present, viz :

Nos. 3, 4, L. o. 5, 19, 44, 45, 46, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 57, 58, 61, 63, 65, 66, 68, 70, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 83, 87, 90, 92, 96, 98, 99, 101, 102, 103, 109, 111, 112, 116, 120, 124, 125, 127, 129, 130, 132, 133, 140, 141, 146, 149, 151, 152, 156, 157, 158, 160—Total, 58 Chartered Lodges, and Atchafalaya, U. D.

The Minutes of the session of February 15th, 1860, were then read and approved.

The Committee on Credentials submitted the following report, which was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge :

ST. ALBANS.....	No. 28—J. M. Nibling, proxy for W. M.
FOYER MAÇONNIQUE.....	“ 44—John L. Mueller, proxy for W. M.
FRIENDS OF HARMONY.....	“ 58—A. De Sola, proxy for J. W.
ST. JOSEPH.....	“ 79—Frank Clark, proxy.
THIBODAUX BENEVOLENT..	“ 90—J. P. Williams, proxy for J. W.
DEERFIELD.....	“ 120—O. J. Noyes, proxy for W. M.
SPRINGHILL.....	“ 127—Thos. F. Hedges, proxy for W. M.
DAWSON.....	“ 129—Wm. F. Wells, proxy for S. W.
HUNTINGTON.....	“ 141—Joseph B. Cheesborough, proxy for.
EASTERN STAR.....	“ 151—Seth R. Field, proxy.
KISSATCHIE.....	“ 156—A. E. Dick, proxy for J. W.
LIVINGSTON.....	“ 160—Jno. M. Mahony, proxy for S. W.
“	“ “ —W. L. Williams, proxy for J. W.

Fraternally submitted,

CHAS. R. PURDY,	} Committee.
R. B. LAWRENCE,	
J. A. COHEN,	

The Committee on Audit and Accounts submitted the following report, which was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Audit and Accounts beg leave to report that they have examined the accounts of the Grand Treasurer, and find his receipts of money to correspond with the receipts given to the Grand Secretary ; the accounts of disbursements to agree with the vouchers exhibited, and the cash on hand safely deposited to the credit of the Grand Lodge.

They have also examined the books of the Grand Secretary, and find them kept in a neat, legible and accurate manner.

Your committee are not aware that their power extends to the investigation of the sources of revenue, or the authority for disbursements, and they have therefore refrained from any examination on those points.

With a view of conforming to the requirements of Sec. 3, Art. III, of the By-Laws of this Grand Lodge, of rendering the committee subservient to the purposes for which it was created, and to definitely define its duties, your committee respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved,* That the Committee on Audit and Accounts shall be constituted a Standing Committee, to continue in office from one Annual Communication to the close of the next ensuing, or until their successors are appointed : whose duty it shall be to meet from time to time to audit the accounts of the Grand Lodge before the same shall be paid by the Grand Treasurer, and who shall present an annual report of the sources and amount of revenue, and the amount of disbursements, with such recommendations as they shall deem advisable for the benefit of this Grand Lodge.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted,

F. H. HATCH, EDW'D BARNETT, W. C. DRIVER,	}	Committee.
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NEW ORLEANS, February 16th, 1860.

The Committee on Chartered Lodges submitted the following report, which was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges have had under consideration the report of your Grand Secretary upon

Trinity Lodge, No. 105. They regret that the brethren of so old and respectable a Lodge should so far forget their Masonic duties, and grow so cold as to neglect entirely to hold their stated meetings, and believe they deserve censure therefor.

But in consideration of her former high character, and hoping that her future zeal may atone for this dereliction, we recommend that the request of said Lodge be granted, and for that purpose append the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the M. W. Grand Master be authorized and requested to delegate authority to some Past Master to install in form the officers elect of Trinity Lodge, No. 105, and that their election be by his Dispensation made regular.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. GORDY, } Committee.  
A. S. WASHBURN, }

The Committee on Lodges Under Dispensation, submitted the following report, which was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Work and Returns of Lodges under Dispensation have examined the Work and Returns of the following Lodges, placed in their hands by the W. Grand Secretary, and respectfully beg leave to offer the following report, and resolutions appended, for the action of this Grand Lodge :

ATCHAFALAYA LODGE, U. D.—This Lodge, in accordance with the requirements of the Grand Lodge, has sent up its Dispensation, Minutes and Returns. The Returns are correct. From the minutes it appears that on the 24th of June, 1859, said Lodge "*adjourned* for refreshments." Your committee are of opinion that the word "*adjourn*," although frequently used, is improper in a Masonic Lodge. The term "*regular meeting*" is also found in these minutes, as is also true with regard to all the others, instead of "*stated meeting*;" but we apprehend that all Masonic meetings legally held under the authority of this Grand Lodge are *regular*. With these slight irregularities, we find the proceedings correct. The By-Laws of this Lodge are not before your committee, neither the petition; but we would recommend that a Charter be granted on their petition—

which we are assured will shortly be forthcoming—provided their By-Laws shall have been approved by the M. W. Grand Master of this Grand Lodge.

BROOKVILLE LODGE, U. D.—This Lodge has also sent up her Dispensation, Minutes and By-Laws. Her By-Laws are in accordance with our standard code, and her Returns correct, except that she includes Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts among her members. This is incorrect. Her minutes show that irregular proceedings were had at their first meeting, they having affiliated four Master Masons by *simple motion*, which action is in direct conflict with Chapter 2, Article II, Section 11, of the By-Laws of this Grand Lodge. A further irregularity appears in the election of officers in December, which is something a Lodge Under Dispensation has no power to do. Otherwise their proceedings seem well conducted and unobjectionable. A petition for a Charter accompanies the other documents, containing a prayer that said Lodge be permitted to remove their location to Oak Ridge, which they say is much more central. Your committee therefore recommend that a Charter be granted to the signers of the petition, with permission to remove the Lodge to Oak Ridge.

BURNSVILLE LODGE, U. D., also sends up her Dispensation, with Minutes, Returns and By-Laws. Minutes correct. Returns incorrect in one particular—Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts being returned as members of the Lodge. By-Laws are correct, except Section 2, Article II, "*provided that vacancies,*" etc., which Article should be stricken out. A petition for a Charter is sent up in due form, which your committee recommend should be granted.

COLUMBIA LODGE, U. D., has also returned her Dispensation, accompanied by Minutes, Returns and By-Laws. Minutes correct. Returns incorrect, in that Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts are returned as members of the Lodge. The By-Laws of this Lodge are unobjectionable, except Article V, Section 4—"Any member who shall fail," etc., which section should be stricken out entirely. Their petition for a Charter comes in due form, and, in the opinion of your committee, should be granted.

LAKE CHARLES LODGE, U. D.—We find by the records of this Lodge a slight irregularity in the proceedings as to preferring charges against a brother, otherwise they are entirely regular. The By-Laws should be amended by striking out of Article III, Section 2, the

words "*provided that vacancies may be permanently filled at any regular meeting of the Lodge.*" Also, the whole of Section 4, of Article III. It is certainly the duty of every member, but more especially of every officer, to attend the meetings of the Lodge ; but if he fails to do so, no Lodge has a right to demand his reason, which is presumed to be a good one, nor can they declare his office vacant. A petition for a Charter comes up in due form, and with the above indicated amendments to the By-Laws, we recommend that said petition be granted. We therefore offer the following resolutions, and pray for their adoption.

All of which is respectfully submitted :

JOHN L. BARRETT, }  
L. R. CURTIS, } Committee.

*Resolved*, That a Charter be granted to Atchafalaya Lodge, on the receipt of their petition in due form by the W. Grand Secretary : provided their By-Laws shall have been submitted to and approved by the M. W. Grand Master of this Grand Lodge.

*Resolved*, That a Charter be granted to Brookville Lodge, with permission to remove from their present location at Lake Lafourche to *Oak Ridge*.

*Resolved*, That Article II, Section 2, of the By-Laws of Burnsville Lodge be stricken out, and that a Charter be granted to said Lodge.

*Resolved*, That Article V, Section 4, of the By-Laws of Columbia Lodge be stricken out, and that a Charter be granted to said Lodge

*Resolved*, That Article III, Section 2, of the By-Laws of Lake Charles Lodge be amended by striking out the words "*provided that vacancies may be permanently filled at any regular meeting of the Lodge,*" and that Section 4 of said Article be stricken out, and that a Charter be granted to said Lodge.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances submitted the following report, which being read, was, on motion, adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances, on examining the papers placed in their hands in the case of Joseph Chellett, late W. M. of Orleans Lodge, No. 78, Grand Tyler, and keeper of the Grand Lodge Hall, find the charges against the brother to be of such a grave and serious nature as to make a trial of the same by the M. W. Grand Lodge necessary.

They therefore recommend that a day be set for the trial of this case, and that the party or his representative have due notice thereof.

H. R. SWASEY, G. W. MUNDAY, A. J. NORWOOD, H. REGENBURG,	}	Committee.
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On motion of Bro. G. W. MUNDAY, the trial of Bro. Joseph Chellet was fixed for the hour of 11 o'clock on Friday morning, February 17th, 1860, as soon as the trial of John E. Burch is concluded.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances submitted the following reports, which being separately read, were, on motion, adopted as read :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have examined the appeal of L. H. Thompson, who was indefinitely suspended by Vienna Lodge, No. 106, on the 23d day of July, 1859. The record in the case is not perfect, but from the nature of the charges, and from the evidence in the case, your committee are of the opinion that the brother has been improperly sentenced and that the action of Vienna Lodge, No. 106, should not be sustained. We would therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the sentence of suspension by Vienna Lodge against Bro. L. H. Thompson be reversed, and that Bro. Thompson be restored to his former Masonic standing.

H. R. SWASEY, H. REGENBURG, G. W. MUNDAY, A. J. NORWOOD,	}	Committee.
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*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances find among the papers placed in their hands, certain charges against J. P. Otts, late W. M. of Vienna Lodge, No. 106, signed by L. H. Thompson.

L. H. Thompson at the time of making the charges was under sen-

tence of indefinite suspension by his Lodge, but had appealed, and your committee have examined and reported on his case.

We find that the charges made are of such a character that they should be further inquired into. No action has as yet been had towards bringing the party to trial.

Your committee would therefore recommend that this case be referred to the M. W. Grand Master for further action under the By-Laws.

H. REGENBURG,	} Committee.
G. W. MUNDAY,	
H. R. SWASEY,	
A. J. NORWOOD,	

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have examined the papers in the case of the appeal of H. Hawford, who was stricken from the roll of Olive Lodge, No. 52, and cannot find any ground for the complaint of appellant.

He was a member of Olive Lodge, refused to pay his dues after due notice, and at the lapse of more than six months, was stricken off the roll by a resolution of the said Lodge.

This Grand Lodge cannot exempt the appellant from the payment of the regular dues, and the only way for him to recover his Masonic standing, is to pay up his dues and petition the Lodge for a demit, or for membership, as he may prefer. We recommend that the action of Olive Lodge, No. 52, be approved.

H. R. SWASEY,	} Committee.
G. W. MUNDAY,	
A. J. NORWOOD,	
H. REGENBURG,	

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have had under consideration that part of the report of the Right Worshipful Brother Thos. H. Lewis, that was referred to them.

We discover that in all probability, James K. Belden has been guilty of gross unmasonic conduct, and he should be promptly dealt with. We cannot see any good ground why the regular course of



proceedings in cases of this kind should, in this case, be departed from, and why Lake Charles Lodge, No. 165, in case James K. Belden is within her jurisdiction, should not take cognizance of the case.

H. R. SWASEY,	} Committee.
G. W. MUNDAY,	
H. REGENBURG,	
A. J. NORWOOD,	
W. M. PERKINS,	

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances submitted a report in the case of C. F. HEUNISCH and P. H. HUARD, who had been expelled by Concorde Lodge, No. 3, which being read, was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence.

The following report from the Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence, was then read and, on motion, adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence have had under consideration the various decisions of our Grand Master, as contained in his address, and are of opinion that they are in accordance with Masonic law and usage.

Fraternally submitted,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,	} Committee.
THOMAS H. LEWIS,	
H. R. SWASEY,	
A. J. NORWOOD,	
A. G. CARTER,	
J. H. HOLLAND,	
R. F. McGUIRE,	

Bro. Wm. M. PERKINS gave notice that at an appropriate time, he would request to have the report of the Committee on Audit and Accounts reconsidered.

The hour fixed to commence the election of officers having arrived, the M. W. Grand Lodge proceeded to elect

its officers for the ensuing Masonic year ; Bros. G. W. MUNDAY and H. M. CRENSHAW, being appointed tellers, when

BRO. J. Q. A. FELLOWS was elected Grand Master ; and immediately after accepting the same, appointed Bro. A. G. CARTER Deputy Grand Master.

The following brethren were then duly elected :

JOHN C. GORDY.....	Senior Grand Warden.
HENRY REGENBURG.....	Junior Grand Warden.
S. C. MICHELL.....	Grand Treasurer.
SAM'L G. RISK.....	Grand Secretary.

BRO. J. C. BATCHELOR moved that the Rev. C. S. Hedges be reëlected Grand Chaplain by acclamation, and that the M. W. Grand Master elect, be requested to appoint the balance of the officers, which motion was adopted.

BRO. J. Q. A. FELLOWS, M. W. Grand Master elect, then announced the following appointments :

G. W. MUNDAY.....	Senior Grand Deacon.
J. M. BOCKIUS.....	Junior Grand Deacon.
GEO. W. RACE.....	Grand Marshal.
JOHN W. PEARCE.....	Grand Sword Bearer.
HENRY M. CRENSHAW.....	Grand Pursuivant.
M. A. CALONGNE.....	} Grand Stewards.
BRUNO DE LUCAS.....	
B. DA SILVA.....	
GUSTAVUS SONTAG.....	
JAMES B. SCOT.....	Grand Tyler.

#### Board of Directors of Grand Lodge Hall.

WM. M. PERKINS.....	of Marion Lodge.....	No. 68.
SAMUEL HARBY.....	of Friends of Harmony Lodge,	" 58.
H. R. SWASEY.....	of George Washington Lodge,	" 65.
A. B. SEGER.....	of Saints John Lodge.....	" 153.
EDWARD BARNETT.....	of Ocean Lodge.....	" 144.
J. R. MACMURDO.....	of Louisiana Lodge.....	" 102.

The following report from the Committee on Appeals and Grievances was then read and, on motion, adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have examined the charges against Brother A. P. Dostie, late W. M. of Orleans Lodge, No. 78, together with the answer and the testimony taken in the case.

Your committee regret to learn the existence of such feelings in a Lodge of A. F. and A. Masons, as is disclosed by the testimony to have been the case in Orleans Lodge, No. 78, but can find nothing in the charges and the testimony of so grave a nature as to feel authorized to bring the same before the M. W. Grand Lodge for trial, and therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the charges against A. P. Dostie, late W. M. of Orleans Lodge, No. 78, be dismissed.

H. R. SWASEY,	} Committee.
G. W. MUNDAY,	
A. J. NORWOOD,	
H. REGENBURG,	

The Special Committee on that portion of the Grand Master's Address relating to the Inauguration of the Clay Statue, offered the following report, which was read and, on motion, adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Special Committee to which was referred so much of the report of the M. W. Grand Master as refers to the invitation tendered to the Masons of Louisiana, by the Clay Monumental Association, to assist in the ceremonies of inaugurating the statue of Henry Clay on the 12th April next, beg leave to report as follows :

The committee deem it peculiarly becoming the Masonic fraternity to participate in the honors which a grateful country proposes to render to the memory of one of her most illustrious sons. It is wholly unnecessary to rehearse the splendid and solid claims presented by Henry Clay to the exalted appreciation and undying grati-

tude of the American people. His public services as a Legislator, Statesman and Patriot, running through a period of nearly half a century; his noble championship of our rights and liberties during the second war of our Independence; his preëminent efforts in behalf of the Union of the States and domestic concord and tranquility, are ever warm and fresh in our recollections. In recapitulating the career of this glorious embodiment of the finest traits of the American character, we instinctively rise far beyond the narrow and groveling prejudices of party, and are ready to award ample and entire justice to the resplendent genius and ardent patriotism of Henry Clay.

If, however, we are required to admire and revere his memory as a Statesman and Senator, we are bound to him by the still stronger and indissoluble tie of Masonic affiliation. Henry Clay was in early manhood initiated into the sublime mysteries of our Order. Rising rapidly from a position in the ranks to the highest honors which Masonry can confer, we find him occupying the lofty station of Grand Master of Kentucky, and in this capacity uniting with other distinguished brethren of the Order in an effort to establish a General Grand Lodge of the United States. At a later period our illustrious brother was in some measure compelled to forego the pleasures of regular and active Masonic duty and association, by the imperative demands upon his time of political life and public service; but we have good reason to believe that he never ceased to estimate Masonry at its full value, or failed to enjoy the heartfelt delight of occasional intercourse with the Fraternity—meeting them upon the level, and parting with them upon the square.

The committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, That the invitation of the Executive Committee of the Clay Monumental Association, to the Masons of Louisiana, to assist in the ceremony of the Inauguration of the Statue of Henry Clay on the 12th April, in the city of New Orleans, is cordially accepted by the Grand Lodge in behalf of the Masonic Fraternity of this jurisdiction.

*Resolved*, That the action of the M. W. Grand Master in requesting the W. Grand Secretary to notify the various Lodges of this jurisdiction of the approaching ceremony, in order that all Masons within the State who desire, may be present and participate in the celebration, is heartily approved.

*Resolved*, That the W. Grand Secretary be and is hereby requested, at the

proper time, to make the necessary publications convoking the Masonic Fraternity to take part in the ceremonies of the 12th April.

SAM'L HARBY, A. G. CARTER, HENDERSON McFARLAND,	}	Committee.
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Deputy Grand Master S. O. SCRUGGS then moved that Bro. John H. Holland be reappointed Grand Translator for the ensuing Masonic year, which motion was adopted.

Bro. S. O. SCRUGGS then moved that the salary of the Grand Translator be fixed at \$75 per month during the ensuing year, which motion was adopted.

Bro. SAMUEL G. RISK, from the Committee to prepare the History of Masonry in Louisana, reported progress.

The Committee on Work submitted the following report, which being read, was, on motion of Bro. S. O. SCRUGGS, laid on the table subject to call :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The permanent Committee on Work beg leave to submit the following plan of Instruction with a view to disseminate a better knowledge of the ritual among the Lodges situated remote from the seat of this Grand Lodge. To this end they recommend the adoption of the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the M. W. Grand Master be empowered to divide the State into a convenient number of Masonic Districts, and appoint for each District a District Deputy Grand Master ; which Deputies shall be required to attend on the Annual Communications of this Grand Lodge and Lecture together, under the supervision of the Committee on Work, until they have acquired the Work and Lectures alike. After returning to their several Districts, they shall notify each Lodge in their Districts to send one or more Delegates to such place as they shall name, which should be some central point in each District, there to remain and Lecture until they have acquired the Work and Lectures as their District Deputy Grand Masters have them, and on their return home they shall instruct their Lodges in the same manner.

*Resolved*, That the actual expenses of the District Deputy Grand Masters

incurred by their attendance on the Grand Lodge in acquiring the Work, shall be paid by this Grand Lodge; and that they shall be entitled to charge each Lodge in their Districts, whose Delegates they may instruct, the sum of — dollars.

Respectfully submitted,

SAML M. TODD,	} Committee.
THOS. H. LEWIS,	
A. S. WASHBURN,	
H. R. SWASEY,	
EDW'D BARNETT,	

The M. W. Grand Lodge was then called off until to-morrow (Friday) morning, at ten o'clock.

[Signed] SAML M. TODD, Grand Master.  
A. J. NORWOOD, Senior Grand Warden.  
H. REGENBURG, Junior Grand Warden, *pro tem.*

GRAND LODGE HALL,  
NEW ORLEANS, Friday, February 17th, 1860. }

**MORNING SESSION.**

The M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, was called to labor in the Third Degree, at 10 o'clock, A. M., the following

**OFFICERS PRESENT:**

SAMUEL M. TODD.....M. W. Grand Master.  
ABEL J. NORWOOD.....R. W. Senior Grand Warden.  
H. REGENBURG.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden.  
EDWARD BARNETT.....as W. Grand Treasurer.  
SAM'L G. RISK.....W. Grand Secretary.  
H. R. SWASEY.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon.  
J. M. BOCKIUS.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon.  
G. W. MUNDAY.....W. Grand Sword Bearer.  
J. ROBINSON.....as W. Grand Pursuivant.  
JAMES B. SCOT.....W. Grand Tyler.

A roll of Lodges being then called, the following were represented :

Nos. 19, 45, 46, 50, 52, 53, 54, 63, 65, 66, 68, 78, 83, 87, 90, 92, 101, 109, 110, 111, 112, 124, 129, 130, 140, 146, 152, 153, 160—Total, 29 Chartered Lodges.

Bro. WM. DAVIS then presented the proxy of A. B. Robertson, W. M. of Livingston Lodge, No. 160, and on motion, allowed a seat as his representative.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced that the order for this session was the trials of those brethren whose cases had been specially set therefor—J. E. BURCH and JOSEPH CHELLET ; and called up the case of Bro. Jno. E. Burch, who not being present, Bro. A. S. WASHBURN was appointed to represent him.

The Grand Secretary then read the charges preferred

by Bro. M. H. LOVELESS *vs.* JOHN E. BURCH, while he was W. M. of Cool Spring Lodge, No. 140, and the answers thereto, together with all the testimony taken in said case.

Immediately after hearing all the testimony, Bro. A. S. WASHBURN addressed the Grand Lodge in behalf of Bro. Burch, and the Grand Lodge proceeded to ballot on the guilt or innocence of the accused, and on counting the ballots he was found *not Guilty*, when the M. W. Grand Master declared Bro. JOHN E. BURCH duly acquitted of the charges preferred against him.

The Grand Lodge then proceeded with the case of Bro. JOSEPH CHELLET, who was represented by Bro. JOHN McKEE.

The Grand Secretary read the charges preferred by Bro. JOHN H. CLARK *vs.* JOSEPH CHELLET, "for gross unmasonic conduct," and the answer thereto, together with the testimony taken in said case.

Immediately after the reading of the same, Bro. John McKee addressed the Grand Lodge in behalf of the accused, when a ballot was then taken on the guilt or innocence of the accused, and on counting the ballots, he was found *Guilty*.

The Grand Lodge then proceeded in accordance with Section 5, Article III of Chapter II of the Grand Lodge By-Laws, to ballot on the degree of punishment to be inflicted, and on counting the ballots, the M. W. Grand Master declared JOSEPH CHELLET *Expelled* from all the rights and privileges of Masonry for "*Gross Unmasonic Conduct*."

The M. W. Grand Lodge was then called off until half-past six o'clock this evening.

(Signed) H. REGENBURG, Grand Master, *pro tem.*  
G. W. MUNDAY, Senior Grand Warden, *pro tem.*  
J. M. BRICE, Junior Grand Warden, *pro tem.*



GRAND LODGE HALL,  
NEW ORLEANS, Friday, February 17th, 1860. }

**EVENING SESSION.**

The M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, was called to labor in the Third Degree, at half-past six o'clock, P. M., the following

**OFFICERS PRESENT:**

SAMUEL M. TODD.....	M. W. Grand Master.
SAMUEL O. SCRUGGS.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
A. J. NORWOOD.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
H. REGENBURG.....	as R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
COTTON HENRY.....	as W. Grand Treasurer.
SAMPL G. RISK.....	W. Grand Secretary.
JOHN C. GORDY.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
WM. C. DRIVER.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
G. W. MUNDAY.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
B. DE LUCAS.....	} W. Grand Stewards.
H. WILLIAMS.....	
JAMES B. SCOT.....	W. Grand Tyler.

The following Grand Representatives being present, were seated in the East:

SAMUEL M. TODD.....	for Alabama.
SAMUEL G. RISK.....	" Minnesota.
J. Q. A. FELLOWS.....	" Vermont.

A roll of Lodges was then called, and the following were represented:

Nos. P. U. 1, P. S. 1, 3, 4, L. O. 5, ST. A. 5, 44, 45, 46, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 57, 58, 63, 65, 66, 68, 76, 77, 78, 79, 83, 87, 90, 98, 99, 101, 102, 103, 111, 112, 116, 120, 124, 130, 135, 141, 144, 145, 146, 147, 149, 152, 156, 158, 160—Total, 50 Chartered Lodges.



The Committee on Appeals and Grievances submitted the following report, which was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have had under consideration the case of Liberty Lodge, No. 123, vs. M. J. Birdsong, W. M., and find the charges to be of such a grave nature as to require the action of the M. W. Grand Lodge.

They therefore recommend that a day and hour be set for the trial of this case, and that the same be proceeded with according to the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge.

II. R. SWASEY,	} Committee.
G. W. MUNDAY,	
II. REGENBURG,	
A. J. NORWOOD,	

On motion of Bro. G. W. MUNDAY, the trial of M. J. Birdsong, was fixed for 10 o'clock on Saturday morning, February 18th, 1860.

The Special Committee to whom the subject of the "American Masonic Home" was referred, offered the following report, which being read, was adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The committee to whom was referred that portion of the address of the M. W. Grand Master, and the report of the W. Grand Secretary, relating to the "AMERICAN MASONIC HOME FOR WIDOWS AND ORPHANS," proposed to be established in the City of Washington, beg leave to report :

That the plan is one which appeals directly to the heart, proposing to apply the charitable precepts of Masonry to practical utility. Its object is to raise one hundred thousand dollars, with fifty thousand of which to purchase a suitable location and buildings in the District of Columbia, and with the other fifty thousand invested in real estate in the City of Washington, to establish a home and revenue for the benefit of the widows and orphan children of affiliated Master Masons of North America. This fund is sought to be raised by voluntary

contributions. Its organization is so fully stated in the pamphlet furnished the Lodges in this jurisdiction, that it is not necessary here to be more particular. Your committee think favorably of the design, and cordially recommend it to the fraternity.

J. D. CATLIN,	} Committee.
SAMPL G. RISK,	
T. A. BARTLETTE,	

The report of the Special Committee in the case of the body styling itself "SILENCIO LODGE, No. 9," submitted at the session of February 15th, 1860, and which was made the special order for this evening, after the transaction of the regular business, was then taken up, and the committee asked permission to withdraw it, which was, on motion, granted.

Bro. J. Q. A. FELLOWS, M. W. Grand Master elect, tendered his resignation as chairman of the above committee, which was accepted, and the M. W. Grand Master appointed C. SAMORY on said committee.

On motion of Bro. J. J. BEAUCHAMP, the Grand Lodge then proceeded to the installation of the newly elected officers for the ensuing Masonic year.

The M. W. Grand Master then requested Past Grand Master JOHN H. HOLLAND to present the officers elect, for installation.

Bro. J. Q. A. FELLOWS was then presented, and by the M. W. Grand Master, Samuel M. Todd, regularly and duly installed and inducted as M. W. Grand Master, and immediately proceeded to and did install, in ample form, the following officers:

A. G. CARTER.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
JOHN C. GORDY.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
HENRY REGENBURG.....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.

The W. Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary and Grand Chaplain, being reelected, the ceremony of installation was dispensed with in their case.

G. W. MUNDAY.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
J. M. BOCKIUS (Aaron Harris, proxy)...	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
G. W. RACE (A. S. Washburn, proxy)...	W. Grand Marshal.
J. W. PEARCE.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
H. M. CRENSHAW.....	W. Grand Pursuivant.
M. A. CALONGNE.....	} W. Grand Stewards.
B. DE LUCAS.....	
B. DA SILVA (H. Williams, proxy)...	
G. SONTAG.....	
JAS. B. SCOT.....	W. Grand Tyler.

The Grand Marshal then announced the officers of the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, for the ensuing Masonic year, installed in AMPLE FORM.

The Committee on Chartered Lodges submitted the following report, which being read, was adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee on Chartered Lodges, to whom was referred that portion of the W. Grand Secretary's report concerning the petition of the members of Jeffersonian Lodge, No. 138, and some of the members of Patmos Lodge, No. 97, to receive their Charters and grant to them certificates of good standing ; and also the returns of Morganza Lodge, No. 159, which have arrived far behind the time prescribed in the regulations of this Grand Lodge, accompanied by a letter from the W. M., stating that he writes it on his sick bed, and it is owing to his illness that the returns were delayed, respectfully report :

In regard to Jeffersonian Lodge, No. 138, your committee would recommend that their petitions be granted and certificates issued—their returns being made, their dues paid, and the Charter returned.

PATMOS LODGE, No. 97.—The petition from this Lodge is signed by the Worshipful Master, Secretary, Senior Deacon, and but one member, and states that it is impossible to get the members to attend,

and is accompanied by a letter from D. D. G. M. G. D. Shadburne, fully corroborating the statement of the brethren, and strongly recommending the Grand Lodge to grant said prayer. Your committee, after fully weighing the question, offer the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That on the surrender of the Charter of Patmos Lodge, No. 97, with regular returns and the payment of all dues, certificates of good-standing be issued to said petitioners—Josiah Stanbrough, W. M. ; A. E. Adams, Secretary ; W. A. Evans, S. D. ; J. M. Hinman and G. D. Shadburne..

MORGANZA LODGE, No. 159.—The returns of this Lodge are wrong in almost every respect—not naming their officers, omitting the names of some members, not giving the date of either the initiating, passing, or raising of any candidate, and having no seal attached—in fact, bearing no resemblance to the form ordered by this Grand Lodge.

Your committee, in concluding their labors, having examined all the documents placed in their hands, regret that it is their duty to report that the following named Lodges have neither made any returns nor paid their dues up to this date : Napolcon, No. 94 ; Terreville, No. 118 ; Arcadia, No. 126 ; Harry Hill, No. 134.

All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted :

JOHN C. GORDY,	} Committee.
A. S. WASHBURN,	
J. C. BATCHELOR,	

Bro. J. Q. A. FELLOWS offered the following resolution which was read and adopted :

*Resolved*, That permission be, and is hereby, granted Orleans Lodge, No. 78, (the Wardens of said Lodge assenting) to elect a Worshipful Master for the remainder of the Masonic year, and to fill such vacancies as may be occasioned by such election.

Bro. AARON HARRIS offered the following resolution, which being read, was unanimously adopted :

*Resolved*, That the sum of three hundred dollars be, and is hereby, appropriated to the Assistant Grand Secretary, for extra work performed and to be performed by him during and subsequent to this Grand Communication.

BRO. S. O. SCRUGGS submitted an amendment to Section 2 of Article IV of the Grand Lodge Constitution, making the election of Grand Officers take place on the "SECOND" day of each Grand Communication instead of the "FOURTH;" and a motion being made to receive said amendment, a vote by Lodges was called, which resulted as follows:

YEAS—J. W. Pearce, Nos. L. O. 5, 50, 51, 58, 63, 70, 76, 103, 130, 133, 146, 147, 152—Total, 40.

NAYS—J. Q. A. Fellows, A. G. Carter, J. C. Gordy, H. Regenburg, S. G. Risk, G. W. Munday, H. M. Crenshaw, G. Sontag, Nos. 19, 45, 46, 52, 53, 54, 57, 59, 65, 68, 72, 77, 78, 79, 87, 90, 96, 98, 99, 101, 102, 111, 116, 120, 135, 144, 145, 149, 155, 156, 160—Total, 101.

So the amendment was not received.

BRO. S. O. SCRUGGS gave notice that he would renew the amendment in another form at a future time.

BRO. A. B. HAILEY then called up the following report of the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, submitted at the Annual Communication of 1852, on January 22d, and laid over, but never finally acted on:

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

They have examined the petition of J. L. Jones, who was expelled by Coushatta Lodge, No. 60, in July, 1850, and also the recommendation that the sentence of expulsion be reversed. We respectfully recommend that it be done, and the brother restored to his rights as a Mason.

(Signed)

S. M. HART.

On motion of Bro. S. O. SCRUGGS, the report was adopted.

The M. W. Grand Lodge was then called off until to-morrow (Saturday) morning at 10 o'clock.

(Signed) J. Q. A. FELLOWS, Grand Master.

A. J. NORWOOD, Senior Grand Warden, *pro tem.*

H. REGENBURG, Junior Grand Warden.

GRAND LODGE HALL,  
NEW ORLEANS, Saturday, February 18, 1860. }

**MORNING SESSION.**

The M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana was called to labor in the Third Degree, at 10 o'clock, A. M.; the following.

**OFFICERS PRESENT:**

H. REGENBURG .....	as M. W. Grand Master.
G. W. MUNDAY .....	as R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
J. M. BRICE .....	as R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
J. L. BARRETT .....	as W. Grand Treasurer.
SAM'L G. RISK .....	W. Grand Secretary.
C. F. HUFFT .....	as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
J. M. BOCKIUS .....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
C. R. PURDY .....	as W. Grand Marshal.
A. B. HAILEY .....	as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
J. D. CATLIN .....	W. Grand Steward.
JAS. B. SCOT .....	W. Grand Tyler.

A roll of Lodges being called, the following were represented :

Nos. 45, 46, 50, 52, 53, 54, 78, 83, 84, 87, 102, 111, 119, 130, 146, 160—Total, 16 Chartered Lodges.

The minutes of the morning session of Friday, February 17th, 1860, were then read and approved.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced the first business in order to be that of the trial of Bro. M. J. BIRDSONG, fixed for this hour.

Bro. M. J. BIRDSONG not being present, Bro. A. D. Russell was appointed to defend him.

The Grand Secretary then read the charges and testimony in the case, and after a few remarks from Bro. Russell in behalf of Bro. M. J. Birdsong, the Grand Lodge



proceeded to ballot on the guilt or innocence of the accused, when, on counting the ballots, he was found "*Guilty.*"

A ballot was then ordered in accordance with Sec. 5, Art. III, of Chap. II, of the Grand Lodge By-Laws, on the degree of punishment to be awarded, when, on counting the ballots, the M. W. Grand Master declared Bro. M. J. BIRDSONG *Expelled* from all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

The following report from the Special Committee of five, to whom was referred the communication of "SILENCIO LODGE, No. 9," was then read:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Special Committee to whom was referred the communication of Dr. Vincent A. de Castro, and fifty-two others, composing the entire membership of a certain organization called Silencio Lodge, No. 9, under the jurisdiction of the so-called "Supreme Council for the Sovereign and Independent State of Louisiana," and from which they unanimously withdrew on the 12th inst., asking relief from their unfortunate condition, if the same can be granted by this Grand Lodge, have had the same under consideration—

And your committee would recommend, in consideration of all the circumstances attending the condition of the petitioners, that they be advised, so far as may be consistent with their own free will, to apply to any of our Constituent Lodges in the city of New Orleans, in a regular and proper form for admittance into the Order, and that the Grand Master be requested to grant them such Dispensation as they may apply for, either as to time or forming a new Lodge, as shall be consistent with the general good, and the laws and usages of the Fraternity.

Which is respectfully submitted,

A. S. WASHBURN,	} Committee.
N. H. BRAY,	
J. H. SUTHERLIN,	
J. C. BATCHELOR,	
C. SAMORY,	

On motion of Bro. J. L. BARRETT, the above report was laid over until the session of this evening to be taken up in its regular order.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until half-past six o'clock, this evening.

[Signed] J. Q. A. FELLOWS, Grand Master.

A. J. NORWOOD, Senior Grand Warden, *pro tem*.

H. REGENBURG, Junior Grand Warden.

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GRAND LODGE HALL, }  
NEW ORLEANS, Saturday, February 18th, 1860. }

**EVENING SESSION.**

The M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, was called to labor in the Third Degree, at half-past six o'clock, the following

**OFFICERS PRESENT:**

J. Q. A. FELLOWS.....	M. W. Grand Master.
A. G. CARTER.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
ABEL J. NORWOOD .....	as R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
HY. REGENBURG.....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
SAMUEL G. RISK.....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
G. W. MUNDAY.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
J. M. BOCKIUS.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
WM. C. DRIVER.....	as W. Grand Marshal.
JOHN W. PEARCE.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
H. M. CRENSHAW.....	W. Grand Pursuivant.
M. A. CALONGNE.....	} W. Grand Stewards.
B. DE LUCAS.....	
B. DA SILVA .....	
G. SONTAG .....	
JAS. B. SCOT.....	W. Grand Tyler.

The following Grand Representatives being present, were seated in the East :

THOMAS H. LEWIS.....	for Arkansas.
SAMUEL M. TODD.....	" Alabama.
ROBERT F. MCGUIRE.....	" New York.
J. Q. A. FELLOWS .....	" Vermont.
SAMUEL G. RISK .....	" Minnesota.

A roll of Lodges was then called, and the following were represented :

Nos. P. U. 1, P. S. 1, 3, 4, L. O. 5, ST. A. 5, 19, 45, 46, 50, 52, 53, 54, 58, 61, 63, 65, 66, 68, 70, 76, 77, 78, 79, 83, 96, 98, 102, 103, 110, 111, 112, 116, 120, 124, 130, 133, 134, 135, 141, 144, 145, 146, 156, 158, 160—Total, 45 Chartered Lodges.

The minutes of the Evening Session of February 17th, 1860, and the Morning Session of February 18th, 1860, were then read and approved.

The Committee on Credentials then offered the following report, which was adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge, viz :

UNION FRATERNAL.....No. 53—Artemon Hill, proxy for W. M.  
FRANKLIN.....No. 57—Erastus Wells, proxy for W. M.

Fraternally submitted :

CHARLES R. PURDY,	} Committee.
RICHARD B. LAWRENCE,	
JACOB A. COHEN,	

The M. W. Grand Master announced Past Grand Master SAMUEL M. TODD on Committee of Masonic Law and Jurisprudence, in place of himself.

The Grand Secretary verbally reported that Harry Hill

Lodge, No. 134, had this day made her returns and paid her dues in full ; also, that her returns were neatly made and correct in every particular.

Which report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances submitted the following report, which was adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have examined the account presented by Pacific Lodge, No. 33, a Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, against the late Patrick Henry Lodge, No. 127, for rent of Lodge Room, amounting to forty-nine dollars.

Patrick Henry Lodge, No. 127, surrendered her Charter to this Grand Lodge in the year 1855, and delivered to the W. Grand Secretary the funds in the treasury and the other property belonging to the said Lodge.

Your committee have before them no proof that the account is correct and unpaid, and are therefore unable to decide whether or not it should be paid by this Grand Lodge.

The brethren who, at the time of the surrender of the Charter by Patrick Henry Lodge, were the first three officers of said Lodge, are the proper persons to verify the account here presented. We would therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Grand Secretary be authorized to pay the account of Pacific Lodge, No. 33, I. O. O. F., against Patrick Henry Lodge, No. 127 : *Provided*, that the brethren who were at the time of surrendering the Charter, W. M., S. W. and J. W. of said Lodge, certify that said account is correct, due, and unpaid.

II. R. SWASEY,	} Committee.
H. REGENBURG,	
G. W. MUNDAY,	
A. J. NORWOOD,	

The Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence offered the following report, which, being read, was, on motion, adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence have had

under consideration the case of Concorde Lodge, No. 3, vs. Brothers P. H. Huard and C. F. Heunisch.

They can find no objection to the trial of a brother actually suspended for another offence than the one for which the suspension was decreed. A suspended brother is in a position similar to that of a person under sentence of imprisonment under the criminal law, which by no means exempts him from trial for a capital crime, or from execution, if found guilty. Brothers Huard and Heunisch, however, were only temporarily suspended by the Grand Lodge, and until a trial for a certain offence had taken place. Much less, then, were they exempt from trial for another and distinct offence, or from expulsion, if found guilty. As the Committee on Appeals and Grievances had found all the proceedings regular, and there being no other question raised than that of jurisdiction, your committee are of opinion that the action of Concorde Lodge, No. 3, is correct, and recommend that the same be approved.

Fraternally submitted :

A. G. CARTER,	} Committee.
THOMAS H. LEWIS,	
R. F. McGUIRE,	
SAMUEL M. TODD,	

The Special Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's address relating to the "National Grand Lodge of the Spanish Republic of Dominica," at Santa Domingo, made a report, which was, on motion, recommitted to the committee, for the purpose of obtaining further information into the origin and creation of said Grand Lodge.

The Special Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's address relating to a "Model Farm," submitted the following report, which was adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

The committee to whom was referred that portion of the Grand

Master's address referring to the communication of Bro. Ad. Rinck, in relation to the establishment of a "Model Farm" in this State, beg leave to report: That they have had the same under consideration and are deeply impressed with its magnificent design. His brilliant encomiums on agriculture are well merited, and his noble enterprise cannot fail to meet with triumphant success, and enlist the sympathy of all good men and Masons, and is entitled to their approval.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMPL G. RISK,	} Committee.
J. D. CATLIN,	
T. A. BARTLETT,	

The M. W. Grand Master then announced for the ensuing Masonic year, the following standing

**Committee on Foreign Correspondence.**

SAMUEL M. TODD .....	of Marion Lodge.....	No. 68.
EDWARD BARNETT.....	of Ocean Lodge.....	" 144.
A. S. WASHBURN.....	of Bartholomew Lodge...	" 112.

The report of the Special Committee on the petition of the body styling itself "SILENCIO LODGE, No. 9," submitted at the morning session of to-day, was then called up, and being read,

Bro. J. D. CATLIN moved to strike out of the last clause the words "*as to time*," when

Bro. THOMAS H. LEWIS moved to strike out all after the word "*Order*" in the last paragraph, and called for a vote by Lodges thereon, which resulted as follows:

YEAS—A. G. Carter, H. Regenburg, S. G. Risk, C. S. Hedges, G. W. Munday, J. M. Bockius, J. W. Pearce, H. M. Crenshaw, B. da Silva, G. Sontag, Nos. 19, 45, 50, 52, 53, 54, 57, 58, 59, 61, 63, 65, 66, 68, 70, 76, 77, 78, 79, 83, 87, 96, 98, 102, 103, 111, 112, 116, 120, 124, 130, 133, 134, 135, 141, 144, 145, 146, 158, 160—Total, 130 votes.

NAYS—B. de Lucas, M. A. Calongne, Nos. P. U. 1, P. S. 1, 3, 4, L. O. 5, ST. A. 5, 46, 119, 156—Total, 29 votes.

So the words were stricken out and the paragraph as amended, reads as follows :

“And your committee would recommend in consideration of all the circumstances attending the condition of the petitioners, that they be advised, so far as may be consistent with their own free will, to apply to any of our constituent Lodges in the city of New Orleans in a regular and proper form for admittance into the Order.”

On motion of Bro. THOS. H. LEWIS, the report as amended, was then adopted.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances submitted the following report and resolution, which were read, and, on motion, adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances, to whom was referred the case of Brother S. P. Solomon, late W. M. of Hiram Lodge, No. 70, having duly considered the same, respectfully report, that in their opinion the case has been properly brought before this tribunal; that the proceedings thus far have been regular; that the charges are of such a nature as require Masonic discipline, if established; and that the evidence justifies the Grand Lodge in proceeding to a trial of the case. In conformity to this a resolution is appended hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. SWASEY,	} Committee.
H. REGENBURG,	
W. M. PERKINS,	
A. J. NORWOOD,	
G. W. MUNDAY,	

*Resolved,* That this Grand Lodge proceed at — o'clock, on the — instant, to the trial of Brother S. P. Solomon, and that he be notified thereof.

On motion of Bro. WM. C. DRIVER, the blanks in the above resolution were filled by inserting Monday, Feb-

ruary 20th, 1860, immediately after the reading of the minutes.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances offered the following report, which being read, was adopted unanimously :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances beg leave to submit this further report :

In examination of cases before the committee, as well as from their own personal observation and experience, the committee find evidences of a practice too common among Masons, which ought to be denounced and corrected. We mean the abuse of confidence obtained in consequence of being a Mason. In many cases the Masonic faith is not pledged in words ; but your committee hold, that between those who recognize each other as Master Masons, Masonic faith is always implied, and that no Master Mason can divest himself of this character when dealing with a known brother, but is always bound to do him justice, to avoid doing him a wrong, either by promising what he has not reasonable grounds to believe he can accomplish, or by omitting to do all he possibly can do to comply with what he does promise.

Your committee find too much reason to believe that mercenary motives and other unworthy considerations have prompted men to identify themselves as Masons, and that in consequence of this, the benefits of the institution to those who are worthy have been greatly diminished. They do not believe that Masonry should be resorted to for purposes of gain or selfish ends, and think it the privilege and special duty of the Grand Lodge to discountenance and prevent, as far as possible, such a prostitution of our beloved Order.

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. SWASEY,	} Committee.
H. REGENBURG,	
W. M. PERKINS,	
G. W. MUNDAY,	
A. J. NORWOOD,	

The report of the Committee on Work, submitted at



the session of February 16th, 1860, and laid on the table subject to call, was then called up, and, on motion, adopted.

On motion of Bro. R. F. McGUIRE, the blank in the resolution appended to said report was filled with the sum of ten dollars.

Bro. G. W. MUNDAY then offered the following resolution as an addenda to the report just adopted, which being read, was unanimously adopted :

*Resolved*, That the third day of the next Annual Grand Communication be set specially apart for the purpose of the exemplification of the Work by the Committee on Work, before the dissemination of the same by the above District Deputy Grand Masters.

BRO. WM. M. PERKINS then called up the report of the Committee on Audit and Accounts, and, on motion, it was reconsidered, when Bro. PERKINS offered the following substitute for the resolution offered by said committee :

*Resolved*, That the Standing Committee on Audit and Accounts be empowered and directed to examine from time to time the accounts and books of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, and to report thereon to the Grand Lodge, at the opening of the Grand Annual Communication, and also to report to the Grand Master, during the recess, whenever required by him, or by them deemed proper.

*Resolved*, That all claims against the Grand Lodge, except those on account of the Grand Lodge Hall, and those provided for in the general regulations or special orders of the Grand Lodge, shall, before payment, be submitted to and approved by the Committee on Audit and Accounts.

Which substitute being read, was, on motion, adopted.

BRO. S. G. PARSONS then called up the following addition to the By-Laws offered by him at the last Annual Communication :

*Resolved*, That after the present session this Grand Lodge will pay the expenses actually incurred for the attendance of one Delegate

from each of the Subordinate Lodges at its Annual Grand Communications.

Bro. PARSONS then stated that although the mortgage debt on the Grand Lodge Hall was canceled, there was yet due by the Grand Lodge a considerable amount to several Masonic Bodies who had loaned money to aid in the payment of the first mortgage notes, which would probably be fully paid during the present year, and therefore moved that his amendment lie over until the next Annual Grand Communication.

Bro. A. B. HAILEY, of Silent Brotherhood Lodge, No. 146, then submitted the following preamble and resolutions, which, being read, were, on motion, adopted :

WHEREAS, Silent Brotherhood Lodge, No. 146, having failed to elect officers for the present year within the time prescribed by the Constitution of the Grand Lodge ; therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That said Lodge is hereby authorized and instructed to hold an election for officers on the first Saturday in April next, and install them as soon thereafter as possible.

*Resolved*, That the W. Grand Secretary be requested to forward to said Lodge a copy of these resolutions, as soon as possible.

Bro. S. M. TODD submitted the following resolution, which was, on motion, adopted :

*Resolved*, That the M. W. Grand Master cause to be printed five hundred copies of the Constitution, By-Laws and Regulations of this Grand Lodge.

Bro. A. S. WASHBURN offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the sum of fifty dollars be paid to the Rev. C. S. Hedges, Grand Chaplain of this Grand Lodge.

Past Grand Master WM. M. PERKINS reported verbally on behalf of the Directors of the Grand Lodge Hall, that

he had partially prepared a report to submit to the Grand Lodge ; but, desiring to make the report full and complete in all its details, in order that the history and condition of the building might be properly placed before the fraternity of this State, asked permission to present the same to the M. W. Grand Master, after the Grand Lodge may close, to be printed with the proceedings.

On motion of Bro. AARON HARRIS, the above permission was granted.

The following amendment, submitted by Bro. S. O. SCRUGGS, to the Grand Lodge Constitution, was then read, and, on motion, rejected :

*Resolved*, That Article I, Section 2, of the Constitution, be so amended as to read, "*Deputy Grand Master shall be elected by ballot*," instead of "*the Grand Master shall appoint*," as it now reads.

Bro. J. W. PEARCE gave notice that he would call, at a future time, for the reconsideration of the report of the Committee on Work, adopted this evening.

Bro. O. J. NOYES then offered the following resolution, which, being read, was, on motion, rejected :

*Resolved*, That on the succeeding Communications of this Grand Lodge, the Master and Wardens of the Subordinate Lodges under its jurisdiction, or their proxies, appear clothed with the regalia and jewels of their respective offices, and that in the sessions of the Grand Lodge they occupy seats together.

The M. W. Grand Lodge was then called off until Monday evening, February 20th, 1860, at half-past six o'clock.

(Signed) J. Q. A. FELLOWS, Grand Master.

SYL. G. PARSONS, Senior Grand Warden, *pro tem*.

H. REGENBURG, Junior Grand Warden.

GRAND LODGE HALL,  
NEW ORLEANS, Monday, February 20th, 1860. }

The M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana was called to labor, in the Third Degree, at half-past six o'clock, P. M., the following

**OFFICERS PRESENT:**

J. Q. A. FELLOWS.....	M. W. Grand Master.
S. G. PARSONS.....	as R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
H. REGENBURG.....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
COTTON HENRY.....	as W. Grand Treasurer.
SAMPL G. RISK.....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
G. W. MUNDAY.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
J. M. BOCKIUS.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
W. C. DRIVER.....	as W. Grand Marshal.
J. W. PEARCE.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
GUSTAVUS SONTAG.....	} W. Grand Stewards.
B. DE LUCAS.....	
B. DA SILVA.....	
F. ROCA.....	
JAS. B. SCOT.....	W. Grand Tyler.

A roll of Lodges being called, the following were represented:

Nos. 3, L. O. 5, 19, 44, 45, 46, 51, 52, 53, 54, 57, 58, 59, 65, 66, 68, 70, 72, 76, 78, 79, 83, 92, 98, 102, 111, 112, 133, 134, 135, 153, 156, 158, 160—Total, 34 Chartered Lodges.

The minutes of the evening session of Saturday, February 18th, 1860, were then read and approved.

The following Grand Representatives being present, were seated in the East:

Brother SAMUEL M. TODD.....for Alabama.  
 " J. Q. A. FELLOWS..... " Vermont.  
 " SAMUEL G. RISK..... " Minnesota.

The Committee on Credentials then submitted the following report, which was adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge:

HUMBLE COTTAGE.....No. 19--P. W. Macken, proxy for J. W.  
 MOUNT MORIAH..... " 59--Thomas A. Stephens, proxy for S. W.  
 MOUNT MORIAH..... " 77--G. Kursheedt, proxy for S. W.  
 HOPE..... " 145--T. S. Boardman, proxy for W. M.

Respectfully and fraternally,

R. B. LAWRENCE, }  
 CHAS. R. PURDY, } Committee.  
 J. A. COHEN, }

Past Grand Master SAMUEL M. TODD submitted the following resolution, which was read and adopted:

*Resolved*, That the committee appointed to prepare suitable resolutions on the death of Past Grand Masters Preaux and Garcia, and Past Masters Seymour and Davis, be permitted to present the same for the approval of the M. W. Grand Master, after the closing of this communication, when, if approved, the same may be printed with the proceedings of this Grand Lodge.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced the special order to be the trial of Bro. S. P. SOLOMON, and ordered the Grand Secretary to read the charges and answer, which being done, the testimony of Bro. D. R. TIGHE was given before the Grand Lodge, after which the Grand Secretary read the testimony taken before a special commission appointed for that purpose, when, after a few remarks from Bro. T. A. BARTLETTE, in defence of Bro. SOLOMON, the Grand Lodge proceeded to ballot on the guilt or innocence

of the accused, taking the ballot on each specification separately, and on counting the ballots he was found *guilty* of the last specification—that of “violating his word as a man and a Mason.”

The Grand Lodge then proceeded to ballot on the degree of punishment to be inflicted, when, on counting the various ballotings, it was declared to be “Reproof or Repri-  
mand.”

The following report, from the Committee on Lodges Under Dispensation, was then read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The committee to whom was referred the application for a Dispensation for a Lodge to be called “Linn Wood,” and located in Jefferson City, have examined the papers, and find them correct and in accordance with the Regulations of the Grand Lodge. We therefore recommend that a Dispensation be granted.

The application for a Dispensation to establish a Lodge in Marks-ville has also been examined, and found to be informal. The demits or certificates of good standing of the applicants do not accompany the petition, as required by the Regulations. We recommend that the application be returned.

D. E. SCRUGGS, *for the Committee.*

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 20, 1860.

Bro. J. C. BATCHELOR then read an extract from the Official Bulletin of the GRAND ORIENT OF FRANCE, *Expelling* JAMES FOULHOUSE from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, and moved that the same be appended to the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, which was adopted. [See page 75.]

Bro. A. S. WASHBURN called the attention of the Grand Lodge to the BASTROP MASONIC FEMALE COLLEGE, and stated that the Trustees had appointed Bro. A. D. RUSSELL an agent to visit the various portions of our State and

solicit and obtain such pecuniary assistance as the brethren feel disposed to give in aid of the permanent establishment of so laudable an institution in our State. The following resolution, adopted at the session of February 15th, 1858, shows the favorable opinion this Grand Lodge entertains towards the project:

*Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana fully approve of the laudable undertaking of the brethren of Morehouse Parish, and cordially recommend "BASTROP MASONIC FEMALE COLLEGE" to the favorable consideration of the Fraternity.

Bro. J. W. PEARCE gave notice that at the next Annual Grand Communication, he would call up the report of the Permanent Committee on Work, adopted last evening, for reconsideration.

On motion, the Grand Master was requested to read and approve the minutes of this session, after the Grand Lodge should close.

No further business appearing, the M. W. Grand Lodge was CLOSED in AMPLE FORM until the next Annual Grand Communication, MONDAY, February 11th, 1861, Peace and Harmony prevailing.

(Signed) J. Q. A. FELLOWS, Grand Master.

GRAND SECRETARY'S OFFICE,  
Of the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana. }

Grand Lodge Hall, corner of St. Charles and Perdido streets.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that the foregoing pages, from No. 3 to 141, contain a true transcript of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, at its last Annual Grand Communication, held at the City of New Orleans, from the thirteenth to the twentieth of February, 1860, inclusive.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed the Seal of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, together with my Official Signature, this twentieth day of February, A. D. 1860, A. L. 5860.

ATTEST:

*Samuel G. Risk*  
Grand Secy.

N. B.—All communications addressed to SAMUEL G. RISK, Grand Secretary, Box R, 48, Post Office, New Orleans, Louisiana, will reach me in safety.



SAM'L G. RISK, *Grand Secretary, in Account Current with the*

M. W. GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

1859.

			DR.
February 7—	To Cash received from Liberty Lodge, No. 123, on account.....	\$	27 00
	Do do Jeffersonian, No. 138, on account.....		66 00
	Do do Thibodaux Benevolent, No. 90, on account.....		47 00
	Do do Plains, No. 135, on account.....		112 00
	Do do Henderson, No. 99, on account.....		50 00
	Do do Minden, No. 51, in full.....		297 00
8—	Do do St. Helena, No. 96, in full.....		161 00
	Do do Louisiana, No. 102, in full.....		135 00
	Do do Hermitage, No. 98, in full.....		155 00
	Do do Germania, No. 46, in full.....		222 00
10—	Do do Alpha, No. 72, in full.....		235 00
	Do do Palmos, No. 97, on account.....		125 00
11—	Do do Harry Hill, No. 134, in full.....		97 00
	Do do Urim, No. 111, in full.....		155 09
	Do do Thibodaux Benevolent, No. 90, on account.....		78 00
12—	Do do Saints John, No. 153, in full.....		138 00
	Do do Providence, No. 59, on account.....		96 00
	Do do Phoenix, No. 38, in full.....		154 00
	Do do Cloutierville, No. 103, in full.....		57 72
	Do do Anacoco, No. 147, balance in full.....		33 82
	Do do Acacia, No. 116, in full.....		85 00
	Do do DeWitt Clinton, No. 80, on account.....		50 00
	Do do Union Fraternal, No. 53, in full.....		57 62
	Do do Huntington, No. 141, in full.....		99 00
	Do do Eastern Star, No. 151, in full.....		145 00
	Do do Lafayette, No. 56, on account.....		171 00
	Do do Kissatchie, No. 156, in full.....		68 10
	Do do Vienna, No. 106, in full.....		251 44
	Do do Silent Brotherhood, No. 146, in full.....		49 00
	Do do Sabine, No. 75, on account.....		100 00
	Do do Henderson, No. 99, balance in full.....		19 00
	Do do Mt. Lebanon, No. 104, on account.....		57 33
14—	Do do Solomon, No. 130, on account.....		91 00
	Do do Cherry Ridge, 155, in full.....		71 97
	Do do Franklin, No. 57, on account.....		75 54
	Do do Lisbon, No. 121, balance in full.....		6 00
	Do do Tunica, No. 63, in full.....		112 00
	Do do Mt. Moriah, No. 59, balance in full.....		320 00
	Do do Oliver, No. 84, in full.....		132 00
	Do do Napoleon, No. 94, in full.....		45 00
	Do do Pearl River, No. 125, in full.....		138 00
	Do do Spring Hill, No. 127, in full.....		160 00
	Do do Thibodaux Benevolent, No. 90, balance in full.....		35 00
15—	Do do Quitman, No. 76, in full.....		293 00
	Do do St. Joseph, No. 79, in full.....		125 00
	Do do Thomas Jefferson, No. 113, on account.....		114 00
	Do do Shreveport, No. 115, in full.....		80 72
	Do do Deerfield, No. 120, in full.....		89 00
	Do do Kellertown, No. 124, in full.....		178 00
	Do do Cool Spring, No. 140, in full.....		152 00
15—	Do do Darlington, No. 149, in full.....		77 30
16—	Do do Homer, No. 152, in full.....		72 00

February 17—To cash: received from Fillmore, No. 154, in full.....		100 00
Do do Downsville, No. 143, in full.....		80 45
18—Do do Castor, No. 109, in full.....		103 00
Do do Plains, No. 135, balance in full.....		1 10
25—Do do Gordy, No. 133, on account.....		107 00
26—Do do Sparta, No. 108, in full.....		106 00
March .... 2—Do do Marion, No. 68, in full.....		343 00
Do do Trinity, No. 105, in full.....		331 00
Do do Lafayette, No. 87, in full.....		82 00
Do do Athens, No. 136, on account.....		40 00
Do do Liberty, No. 123, balance in full.....		67 00
Do do Perkins & Co., three months' rent.....		500 00
Do do Louisiana, No. 102, for rent.....		100 00
Do do Orleans Chapter, for rent.....		31 00
3—Do do Supper Room, for rent of March.....		25 00
9—Do do H. McCloskey, rent for March.....		125 00
15—Do do Arcadia, No. 126, on account.....		50 00
Do do Monticello, No. 92, in full.....		137 00
April .... 5—Do do H. McCloskey, rent for April.....		125 00
26—Do do Dudley, No. 66, for rent.....		133 50
Do do Alpha, No. 72, for rent.....		50 00
28—Do do St. James, No. 47, balance in full.....		92 00
May .... 3—Do do H. McCloskey, rent for May.....		125 00
3—Do do Perkins & Co., rent to July 1st.....		666 67
Do do George Washington, No. 65, rent to May 1st.....		51 50
19—Do do Louisiana, No. 102, rent for two months, etc.....		30 50
Do do Orleans Chapter, for rent.....		28 50
20—Do do Friends of Harmony, No. 58, for rent.....		12 50
June .... 3—Do do H. McCloskey, rent for June.....		125 00
9—Do do DeWitt Clinton, No. 80, on account.....		10 00
10—Do do Dudley, No. 66, for rent.....		126 50
27—Do do Polar Star Chapter, for rent.....		113 00
29—Do do George Washington, No. 65, for rent.....		28 00
July .... 5—Do do H. McCloskey, rent for July.....		125 00
9—Do do Delta Chapter, for rent.....		50 00
Do do Orleans, No. 78, for rent.....		37 50
Do do Friends of Harmony, No. 58, for rent.....		25 00
29—Do do Sale of old carpet.....		11 70
August ... 2—Do do Marion, No. 68, for rent.....		190 00
3—Do do H. McCloskey, rent for August.....		125 00
5—Do do W. P. Coleman, for rent.....		140 00
19—Do do Louisiana, No. 102, for rent.....		25 00
20—Do do Friends of Harmony, No. 58, for rent.....		25 00
September 2—Do do Sale of old stove.....		4 00
Do do H. McCloskey, rent for September.....		125 00
October... 4—Do do H. McCloskey, rent for October.....		125 00
10—Do do Delta Chapter, for rent.....		37 50
Do do Orleans, No. 78, for rent.....		37 50
November 2—Do do George Washington, No. 65, for rent.....		50 00
11—Do do Friends of Harmony, No. 58, for rent.....		25 00
Do do Hiram, No. 70, for rent.....		100 00
12—Do do Perkins & Co., for rent to November 1st.....		666 67
December 3—Do do Sabine, No. 75, on account.....		100 00
Do do H. McCloskey, rent for December.....		125 00

December 3—	To Cash received from Supper Room, for rent of November.....	\$ 30 00
5—Do	do W. P. Coleman, for rent .....	150 00
6—Do	do Polar Star Chapter, for rent.....	92 50
Do	do Quitman, No. 76, for rent.....	37 50
Do	do McCerren, Landry & Co., for rent for November.....	166 65
Do	do W. P. Coleman, for rent for November.....	75 00
Do	do Orleans Chapter, as a loan.....	573 84
16—Do	do Delta Chapter, for rent.....	37 50
Do	do Polar Star, No. 1, in full.....	73 00
Do	do De Soto, No. 55, on account.....	100 00
Do	do Franklinton, No. 101, balance in full.....	36 00
Do	do Trinity, No. 105, balance in full .....	0 04
Do	do Urim, No. 111, in full.....	164 00
Do	do Friendship, No. 114, balance in full.....	40 72
Do	do Shiloh, No. 131, on account.....	165 00
Do	do Warren, No. 132, in full.....	97 18
Do	do Perkins, No. 150, balance in full .....	46 00
Do	do Saints John, No. 153, balance in full .....	6 00
Do	do Grosse Tête, No. 157, in full .....	45 00
Do	do Morganza, No. 159, in full.....	139 00
1860.		
January 2—	Do Quitman, No. 76, for rent.....	112 50
Do	do Ocean, No. 144, in full.....	82 00
3—Do	do Crescent Insurance Co., for scrip, etc., for 1856.....	34 15
Do	do Polar Star Chapter, for rent .....	25 00
Do	do H. McCloskey, rent for January.....	125 00
5—Do	do Friends of Harmony, for rent.....	25 00
Do	do W. P. Coleman, for rent.....	75 00
Do	do McCerren, Landry & Co., rent for December.....	166 65
Do	do Crescent Insurance Co., for interest on scrip of 1857.....	5 20
12—Do	do Humble Cottage, No. 19, in full .....	64 00
14—Do	do Foyer Maçonnique, No. 44, in full.....	118 00
Do	do Eastern Star, No. 151, in full.. ..	108 85
16—Do	do Constantine, No. 119, on account.....	61 00
Do	do Saints John, No. 153, in full.....	66 00
Do	do Livingston, No. 160, in full.....	37 00
17—Do	do Thibodaux Benevolent, No. 90, in full.....	58 00
20—Do	do Perkins, No. 150, balance in full .....	46 00
21—Do	do Columbia, U. D., in full.....	35 00
23—Do	do Red Land, No. 148, in full.....	59 00
24—Do	do Mount Vernon, No. 83, on account.....	40 00
Do	do Cypress, No. 89, in full.....	61 82
Do	do Sparta, No. 108, in full.....	79 88
27—Do	do Mount Moriah, No. 59, in full.....	310 00
Do	do Hermitage, No. 98, on account.....	50 00
28—Do	do Olive, No. 52, in full.....	172 82
Do	do George Washington, No. 65, in full .....	145 00
Do	do Harrisonburg, No. 110, in full.....	40 00
31—Do	do Warren, No. 132, in full.....	31 00
Do	do Quitman, No. 76, for rent.....	12 50
Do	do Louisiana, No. 102, for rent .....	75 00
Do	do Phenix, No. 38, in full.....	65 00
Do	do Monticello, No. 92, in full.....	77 72
Do	do Louisiana, No. 102, in full .....	88 00

January 31—	To Cash received from Mount Lebanon, No. 104, in full.....	\$ 78 08
February 2—	Do do Lafayette, No. 87, in full.....	23 00
	Do do Supper Room, for rent of January .....	30 00
	Do do Franklinton, No. 101, on account.....	1 00
	Do do Los Amigos del Orden, No. 5, on account.....	72 00
	Do do Home, No. 142, in full.....	47 00
	Do do Alpha, No. 72, in full.....	65 00
	Do do Acacia, No. 116, in full.....	44 00
3—	Do do Kissatchie, No. 156, on account.....	20 00
	Do do Shreveport, No. 115, in full.....	71 00
	Do do Orleans, No. 78, in full.....	95 00
	Do do Alpha, No. 72, for rent.....	125 00
	Do do St. Albans, No. 28, in full.....	66 00
	Do do Oliver, No. 84, in full.....	43 00
4—	Do do Germania, No. 46, in full.....	103 00
	Do do Hermitage, No. 98, balance in full .....	6 00
	Do do Union Fraternal, No. 53.....	42 00
	Do do Kellertown, No. 124.....	70 00
	Do do Bartholomew, No. 112, on account .....	64 00
	Do do Mount Gerizim, No. 54, on account.....	42 00
6—	Do do Hiram, No. 70, in full .....	77 00
	Do do Quitman, No. 76, in full .....	137 00
	Do do Western Star, No. 61, in full.....	56 00
	Do do Sabine, No. 75, on account.....	35 00
	Do do Dudley, No. 66, in full .....	146 00
	Do do Franklinton, No. 101, in full .....	71 00
	Do do Plains, No. 135, in full .....	36 00
	Do do Urim, No. 111, in full.....	51 00
	Do do Marion, No. 68, in full.....	113 00
	Do do H. McCloskey, for rent of February.....	125 00
	Do do W. P. Coleman, for rent of January.....	75 00
	Do do McCorren, Landry & Co., rent for January.....	166 65
	Do do G. Secretary's office and Library room, for 3 years rent...	900 00

(E. &amp; O. E.)

\$19,799 69

NEW ORLEANS, February 6th, 1860.

SAM'L G. RISK, *Grand Secretary, in Account Current with the*

M. W. GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

1859.								CR.
February 7—	By amount of balance at date.....	\$	71 50					
March.....	3—By amount paid S. C. Michell, W. Grand Treasurer, as per receipt.....		7,238 20					
	19— Do do do do do do do do .....		380 00					
April.....	2— Do do do do do do do do .....		225 50					
	26— Do do do do do do do do .....		263 50					
	30— Do do do do do do do do .....		432 00					
May.....	10— Do do do do do do do do .....		843 17					
	30— Do do do do do do do do .....		71 50					
August.....	5— Do do do do do do do do .....		1,106 70					
Dec'ber 16—	Do do do do do do do do .....		2,170 68					
1860.								
January 31—	Do do do do do do do do .....		1,761 30					
February 6—	Do do do do do do do do .....		5,235 66					

(E &amp; O. E.)

\$19,799 69

NEW ORLEANS, February 6th, 1860.

# RETURNS OF CONSTITUENT LODGES,

FOR THE YEAR 1859.

## PERFECT UNION LODGE, No. 1.

*Rampart st., between Main and St. Philip sts., N. O.*

### OFFICERS.

Pitot, A, Jr.....	W M	Schreiber, A.....	Orator
DeBuys, O.....	S W	Forstall, C E.....	S D
Hopkins, J A.....	J W	Guyol, T.....	J D
Currell, C.....	Treasurer	Choppin, S.....	Inside Tyler
Laffon, C.....	Secretary	Raymond, C.....	Outside Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Augustin, D	Gaillard, O	McCall, E J
Baudouin, A A	Gardère, F	Musson, M
Boudousquié, A	Honold, C	Noblom, A P
Collignon, G	Lauve, O	Nott, W A
DeBlanc, C	Leaumont, G	Peire, A A
Durel, J	Lee, C S	Rousseau, L
Elliot, A F	Lewis, J L	St. Paul H
Eustis, George	Lœning, F	Voorhies, B P
Fortier, F	Martin, E	Total—36

*Demitted*—C. DeBlanc; J. Durel; Geo. Eustis; F. Fortier; B. P. Voorhies.

*Died*—A. A. Peire.

## POLAR STAR LODGE, No. 1.

*Rampart, between Main and St. Philip sts., N. O.*

## OFFICERS.

Morel, A R.....	W M	Lanaux, A P.....	S D
Claiborne, Chas.....	S W	Filleul, E.....	J D
Levasseur, Firmin.....	J W	Prados, Manuel....	Inside Tyler
Texier, A.....	Treasurer	Raymond, Chas...	Outside Tyler
Meilleur, Michel.....	Secretary		(Not a member.)

## MEMBERS.

Dewerges, P	La Serc, Emile	Schwaner, Otto
Genty, J	Lumsden, F A	St. Romes, E de
Hernandez, Miguel	Marigny, Mandeville	Tissot, J L
Lay, Louis	Samory, Claude	Tallarie, E A
		Total—20

*Died*—J. Genty.*Reinstated* Miguel Hernandez.

## CONCORDE LODGE, No. 3.

*Rampart street, between Main and St. Philip streets, New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Nicomède, F L.....	W M	Meilleur, Simon.....	Secretary
Gérard, H.....	S W	Domingo, Thl Santo.....	S D
Dubreulh, G M.....	J W	_____	J D
Gutierrez, René.....	Treasurer	Hillman, A.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bellow, Louis	Daunoy, J Louis	McDermott, Peter
Bertus, Victor	De La Roche, H	Meyran, Rodolph
Bertel, Armand N	Diaze, J A	Munez, Bonifacio
Bregausky, Edouard	Esnard, Marcelin	Oulif, Maurice
Bruneau, Joseph	Guinault, Saint Croix	Perrilliat, François
Chaillot, Edmond	Hickok, Daniel	Pietri, Roco
Coudreau, A	Letourneur, P A	Sorapuru, Jean B
Constantino, Luis	Lalanne, P	
Durbridge, Wm	Levy, H	Total—32

*Initiated*—L. Constantino; T. S. Domingo; G. M. Dubreulh; B. A. Pinto.

*Passed*—L. Constantino; T. S. Domingo; Wm. Durbridge; G. M. Dubreulh; Rodh. Meyran; B. Munez.

*Raised*—L. Constantino; T. S. Domingo; Wm. Durbridge; G. M. Dubreulh; Rodh. Meyran; B. Munez.

*Affiliated*—A. Hillman,

*Demitted*—Marcelin Esnard; H. Levy; Roco Pietri.

*Died*—Henry De La Roche.

*Expelled*—P. Lalanne.

*Reinstated*—A. S. Bertel; Joseph Bruncau; Edmond Chaillot; J. L. Daunoy; Simon Meilleur; Peter McDermott; Maurice Oulif; François Perrilliat.

## PERSEVERANCE LODGE, No. 4.

*Corner Main and St. Claude streets, New Orleans.*

### OFFICERS.

Ricau, Fulgence.....	W M	Meilleur, François....	Secretary
Calongne, Charles.....	S W	Doussat, J. Lucien.....	S D
Bois, Oscar.....	J W	Claverie, Jean M.....	J D
Pedarré, Henry.....	Treasurer	Beney, Louis.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS

Brisolora, J	Grasso, A	Romain, G
Calongne, M A	Marcou, J	St Martin L
Camos, B	Merlin, Jerome	Sarazin, J P
Claverie, M	Miathe, Marcellus	Sarazin, J L
Claverie, J P	Paoli, S D	Villio, J
Fisse, J	Pereyra, F	
Frigerio, L	Perrin, J	
		Total—27

*Initiated*—H. L. T. Copping; Jerome Merlin; Marcellus Miathe; S. D. Paoli. In 1857—C. Barthe.

*Passed*—Jerome Merlin; Marcellus Miathe; S. D. Paoli.

*Raised*—Jerome Merlin; Marcellus Miathe; S. D. Paoli.

## LOS AMIGOS DEL ORDEN LODGE, No. 5.

*Rampart, between Main and St. Philip streets, New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Antonio, Marco.....	W M	Lopez, Salvador M...	Secretary
Lucas, Bruno de.....	S W	Flores, Juan.....	S D
Nogeira, y Andres Valle....	J W	Remendo, Pedro.....	J D
Sitges, Marcos.....	Treasurer	Raymond, Chas..	( <sup>Not a member.</sup> )..Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Acebal, Jose	Grijalva, Candido G	Parra, Juan J
Astredo, Antonio	Garcia, Valerio	Planellas, Jose
Bagur, Pedro	Garcia, Salvador	Paris, Bernardo
Barba, Fernando	Herrera, Domingo	Pargos, Manuel
Barros, Manuel	Lux, Pedro	Prats, Gabriel
Carrillo, Basilio	Leon, Justo y Garcia	Rico, Juan J
Carreras, Pedro y	Mestier, Luis	Rovira, Antonio
Caballero, Fernando	Machado, Luis	Rodriguez, Bernardo
Capella, Manuel	Martin, Angel	Salas, Pedro Prats y
Carril, Secundino	Monyu, Antonio	Sotres, Santos
Carril, Laureano	Manent, Francisco	Talazac, Luis
De Villegas, Leon G	Pace, Miguel	Torre, Antonio
Da Costa, Francisco J	Pace, Jose	Tunon, Martin F
Fernandez, Bernardo	Pache, Cayetano	Vals, Andres F
Falcon, Pascual Benito	Partegas, Antonio	Zalduendo, Ramon
Total—52.		

*Initiated*—Secundino Carril; Laureano Carril; Juan Flores; Manuel Pargos; Gabriel Prats; Santos Sotres; Martin F. Tunon.

*Passed*—Secundino Carril; Laureano Carril; Juan Flores; Manuel Pargos; Gabriel Prats; Santos Sotres; Martin F. Tunon.

*Raised*—Secundino Carril; Laureano Carril; Juan Flores; Manuel Pargos; Gabriel Prats; Santos Sotres; Martin F. Tunon.

*Affiliated*—Manuel Capella.

*Demitted*—Jose Acebal; Pedro Bagur; Candido G. Grijalva; Pascual Benito Falcon; Domingo Herrera; Luis Machado; Bernardo Rodriguez.

*Died*—Cayetano Pache.

*Reinstated*—Marco Antonio Costa.

*Demitted in 1858*—Miguel Calafat, Juan y Comas Girona.



## ST. ANDREW LODGE, No. 5.

*Conti, between Villeré and Robertson streets, New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Lamarre, J.....	W M	Pausas, J.....	Secretary
Cauhapé, P.....	S. W	Degro, H.....	S D
Tournier, N.....	J W	Gaudène, F.....	J D
Lagrange, C.....	Treasurer	Masquère E.....	Inside Tyler
Aubry, A.....	Orator	Abadié, V.....	Outside Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Adam, F	Imoberdorf, A	Michon, T
Antognini, B	Juif, J	Nepper, A
Anthoine, S	Laborde, B	Plauche, A
Béranger, C	Larcade, B	Perrandat, M
Bergé, P	Lazare, P	Pothier, M
Bernard, L	Lecompte, C D	Randolph, J
Boiron, J B	Levy, M	Schwitzer, J
Calonjat, J	Loubet, E D	Schwitzer, C
Claret, E	Lusse, G	St. Jouan, P
Clement, D	Marchal, C	Stire, M
Comment, F	Marx, Philippe	Topenot, F
Coulon, J T	Maignan, V	Ternot, J B
Daliet, J	Mathéo, J M	Winçon, J
Danty, E	Meunier, D	
Domerc, F	Micas, V	
		Total—53.

*Initiated*—A. Aubry; V. Maignan; M. Perrandat; J. Freichineau; T. Ricaud. In 1857—J. Calonjat; F. Gaudène; D. Meunier; J. Pausas; P. St. Jouan. In 1858—M. Stire.

*Passed*—A. Aubry; V. Maignan; M. Perrandat; M. Stire. In 1857—F. Gaudène; J. Calonjat; D. Meunier. In 1858—J. M. Mathéo; J. Pausas; M. Pothier; P. St. Jouan.

*Raised*—A. Aubry; V. Maignan; M. Perrandat; M. Stire. In 1857—F. Gaudène; J. Calonjat; D. Meunier. In 1858—J. M. Mathéo. J. Pausas; M. Pothier; P. St. Jouan.

*Demitted*—J. B. Boiron; J. Daliet; A. Imoberdorf; T. Michon; A. Nepper. In 1857—C. Béranger; J. T. Coulon; J. Juif; J. Schwitzer. In 1858—B. Antognini; A. Plauche; J. Randolph.

*Died*—P. Lazare. In 1858—S. Anthoine; F. Topenot.

*Expelled*—Philippe Marx.

## HUMBLE COTTAGE LODGE, No. 19.

*Opelousas, Parish of St. Landry, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Ray, James.....	W M	Pilate, E.....	Secretary
Porter, J M.....	S W	Firnberg, S.....	S D
Beauchamp, J J.....	J W	Loëb, S E.....	J D
Louailler, Alf.....	Treasurer	Bodemüller, H.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bissenger, F P	Hardy, P D	Moore, J
Bouchez, E	Jubertie, J	Morgan, J J
Couret, J L	Kaufman, M	Perault, A M
Carrière, G	Lewis, T H	Pitre, F L
Chrétien, H	Lewis, W B	Pollingue, J B
Debaillon, E	Lewis, H T	Quirk, S W
Delaruelle, J A	Littell, R H	Reed, John
Ealer, C N	Long, H F	Schmidt, J B
Going, A	Macdonald, J	Salles, B J
Hebrard, P L	Morrogh, J	Thompson, J M
Hudson, J P	Mayo, C	Wittingham, M

Total—41.

*Initiated*—E. Bouchez; M. Kaufman; H. F. Long; J. J. Morgan; S. E. Loëb; H. B. Hartman; F. J. Chrétien; David Redmond.

*Passed*—E. Bouchez; M. Kaufman; H. F. Long; J. J. Morgan; F. L. Pitre; S. E. Loëb; J. A. Capps; H. B. Hartman.

*Raised*—E. Bouchez; S. Firnberg; M. Kaufman; H. F. Long; J. J. Morgan; F. L. Pitre; S. E. Loëb.

*Demitted*—J. A. Delaruelle; H. T. Lewis; H. F. Long.

*Stricken from the Roll*—A. M. Perault.

*Died*—S. W. Quirk.

## ST. ALBANS LODGE, No. 28.

*Jackson, East Feliciana, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Rogillio, W T.....	W M	Kiblinger, E C.....	Secretary
Comfort, C L.....	S W	Matingly, Wm C.....	S D
Gourlay, J E T.....	J W	Rhodes, N G.....	J D
Reinberg, H.....	Treasurer	Rogillio, J G.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Ballard, A W	Gayle, J R	Oppenheimer, M
Brown, L W	Hart, Arthur	Ratliff, C H
Barkdull, J D	Hammer, Richard	Simpson, G W A
Boyd, John	Hazard, Alfred	Sullivan, F M
Catlett, G W	Hagaman, F V D	Sullivan, Warden
Chapman, P C	Kennedy, R B	Smith, Wm B
Clark, Henry	Miller, John C	Sullivan, Patrick
Dunbar, S W	McKenna, A	Sullivan, L K
Dunn, W W	McVea, John	Simmons, H J
Donnally, J A	McVea, Chas	Thomas, S M
East, John	Munson, W W	Vaughan, R S
Faulkner, Wm F	Miller, A G	Walden, C W H
Green, P E	Meyer, Abraham	Total—46.

*Initiated*—J. E. T. Gourlay; John G. Rogillio; M. H. Driggs; W. H. Rogillio; S. G. Tomb; L. Belvin; A. Farlay; L. P. Toomay.

*Passed*—J. E. T. Gourlay; John G. Rogillio; H. J. Simmons; M. H. Driggs; W. H. Rogillio; S. G. Tomb.

*Raised*—J. E. T. Gourlay; Wm. C. Matingly; N. G. Rhodes; Jno. G. Rogillio; Wm. B. Smith; H. J. Simmons.

*Demitted*—W. W. Dunn; R. Gayle; C. McVea; S. M. Thomas.

*Died*—In 1858—W. W. Dawson.

*Reinstated*—A. W. Ballard; John McVea.

## FELICIANA LODGE, No. 31.

*St. Francisville, West Feliciana, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Powell, Sam'l J.....	W M	Miller, G Merrick.....	Secretary
Spear, John W.....	S W	Nibbling, John M.....	S D
Scott, J A.....	J W	Barkdull, Jesse.....	J D
Stoer, C.....	Treasurer	Jones, D W C.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Barbry, James	Hale, James	Meyer, J J
Barrow, Robt H	Hale, Robt	Maynard, J N
Barrow, John J	Harper, Jas P	McLaughlin, D L
Beatheney, Thos	Hearsey, Wm	Muse, P K
Brewer, L D	Henshaw, Jno H	Parr, Sam'l
Burgess, L A	Hillin, J W	Randolph, Peter
Chase, O W	Hoffman, C	Raby, James R
Carmena, Joseph	Hosea, E C	Stirling, James L
Davis, Jesse	Helveston, T	Stocking, D L
Day, L P	Johnson, L B	Town, William
Dye, A J	Leake, Felix V	Vaughan, V
Donnally, R N	Leake, W W	Wooster, J S
Fort, Wm J	Levy, A	
Fischer, A	Maddox, L T	Total—48.

*Initiated*—C. Percy; Thos. L. Nock; W. H. Richardson; S. H. Cotten; S. D. Thorns.

*Passed*—C. Percy.

*Died*—L. D. Brewer; A. Fischer.

## PHŒNIX LODGE, No. 38.

*Natchitoches, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Smith, John Blair.....	W M	Levy, John S.....	S D
Hunter, Thomas.....	S W	Helme, Thomas D.....	J D
Metoyer, Felix.....	J W	Perini, A	} .....Stewards
Vienne, François ....	Treasurer	West, John R }	
Payne, Wm.....	Secretary	Shuman, Theodore.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Boult, D H	Hamilton, W J	Stimpson, Edgar S
Breda, Jean P	Holloway, G W	St. Amans, B
Bullit, B W	Hughes, R F	Stephens, John H
Brassett, M C	Hamlin, Charles	Smith, Jerry
Capmartin, O	Jones, Robert S	Smith, John B
Chaplin, C. Jr	Kile, Stephen W	Smith, William
Cockfield, E J	Morse, P A	Turner, Daniel
Caspari, Leopold	Miles, Louis J	Thompson, Kenneth
Carrell, F L	McDonald James E	Williams, Frederic
Carrell, J A	Marcy, Louis	Williams, John R
De Russey, T E	Morrow, Wm P	Wolfson, Jacob A
Davis, Nathaniel	Martin, John J	Williams, D S G
Grimmer, John	Ponder, Wm A	Walmsley, C L
Hyams, S M	Roper, Edward B	Wakefield, T
Harrison, A E	Stimpson, Thos J	Total—54.

*Initiated*—Thomas D. Helme; William Smith; Benton Eversol; Achille P. Prudhomme; James G. Stephens.

*Passed*—Thomas D. Helme; William Smith.

*Raised*—M. C. Brassett; Thomas D. Helme; Edward P. Roper; William Smith.

*Affiliated*—F. L. Carrell; J. A. Carrell; R. S. Jones; John S. Levy; Kenneth Thompson.

*Demitted*—Nathaniel Davis; W. J. Hamilton; R. F. Hughes.

*Died*—Daniel Turner.

*Stricken from the Roll*—John Grimmer; A. E. Harrison; Louis J. Miles; James E. McDonald; Edgar S. Stimpson.

## FOYER MAÇONNIQUE LODGE, No. 44.

*Rampart, between Main and St. Philip streets, New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Pain, H J B.....	W M	Marinoni, U .....	Secretary
Woeste, R .....	S W	Keller, F. A .....	S D
Steiner, A. ....	J W	Brugier, P Jr.....	J D
Stella, J. M.....	Treasurer	Brugier, P Sr.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Amodeo, N	Guéblé, F	Meyer, E
Abell, E	Gherardi, A	Nata, J
Ammon, Von, A O	Gavin, G W	Noullet, L
Benedickt, A	Hyver, G A	Nocenti, J
Bompét, M	Hearing, C	Papini, C
Bodechtel, F	Hernandez, J M	Peltier, J C
Constantini, F	Johnson, —	Pellegrin, J L
Cantoni, M	Ittmann, G B	Rivas, F
Chiffel, F G	Kathmann, J	Reber, P
Chambers, W A	Kuntzmann, J	Rose, J
Campbell, W S	Llado, J	Santini, J
Campiglio, B	Lanzansky, F	Sbisa, A
Drez, A	Levy, S	Sheppard, W H
Dauphin, C F	Leblanc, E	Schuermann, H A
Fondard, J F M	Leveque, P	Stella, D
Fick, F	Lefevre, F	Sbisa, J
Fehrenbach, M	Masich, P	Thron, J
Friedericks, G J	Moses, G	Thiele, A
Guillebeau, L	Mettler, M	Thompson, G W
Geismard, L	Mueller, J L	Vegas, J
Gery, L F	Monie, J B	Weiss, J
Gast, D	Meyer, A	Zurn, P
		Total—74.

*Initiated*—W. S. Campbell; B. Campiglio; G. J. Friedericks; G. W. Gavin; E. Meyer; J. L. Pellegrin; J. Rose; J. Sbisa; A. Thiele; G. W. Thompson; S. Disney; J. McLaughlin.

*Passed*—P. Brugier, Jr.; W. S. Campbell; B. Campiglio; G. J. Friedericks; A. Gherardi; G. W. Gavin; F. A. Keller; A. Meyer; E. Meyer; J. L. Pellegrin; P. Reber; J. Rose; D. Stella; J. Sbisa; A. Thiele; G. W. Thompson.

*Raised*—P. Brugier, Jr.; W. S. Campbell; B. Campiglio; G. J. Friedericks; A. Gherardi; G. W. Gavin; F. A. Keller; A. Meyer; E. Meyer; J. L. Pellegrin; P. Reber; J. Rose; D. Stella; J. Sbisa; A. Thiele; G. W. Thompson.

*Affiliated*—F. Bodechtel; H. A. Schuermann; J. B. Cantatore (E.A.)

*Demitted*—F. Bodechtel; A. Drez; — Johnson; P. Masich; J. Nocenti; J. Thron.

*Died*—P. Leveque.

*Stricken from the Roll*—L. Guillebeau; J. Nata; A. Sbisa.

*Expelled*—D. Gast; G. A. Hyver; C. Hearing; J. B. Monie.

## JACKSON LODGE, No. 45.

*Greenwood, Caddo Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Flournoy, A Sr.....	W M	McRady, J A.....	Secretary
Whitworth, J D.....	S W	Bridges, A H.....	S D
Baugh, E H.....	J W	Smith, Thomas W.....	J D
Flournoy, A Jr.....	Treasurer	Roth, M.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bayliss, W H	Ford, J M	May, John N
Bray, James	Goodjoin, R F P	Pegram, W A
Bridges, John P	Geter, J A	Pollard, Willis
Beck, Theodore	Hooks, D I	Pollard, H A
Coleman, E M	Head, W N	Parsons, S H
Cates, E J S	Hawkins, S J	Rhodes, H W
Daniel, John	Jones, V H	Rudd, J B
Dickerson, J J	Lafoy, M E	Watts, H
Flournoy, Als	Metcalf, V D	Williams, E D
Flournoy, Silas	Miller, George W	Wall, J G Total—38.

*Initiated*—J. J. Dickerson ; John N. May ; A. H. Bridges ; John C. Griggs ; Thomas Adams ; G. B. Merritt ; N. D. May.

*Passed*—J. J. Dickerson ; R. F. P. Goodjoin ; S. J. Hawkins ; John N. May ; A. H. Bridges ; John C. Griggs.

*Raised*—John P. Bridges ; J. J. Dickerson ; R. F. P. Goodjoin ; S. J. Hawkins ; John N. May ; H. M. Rhodes.

*Affiliated*—Theodore Beck.

*Demitted*—J. J. Dickerson ; S. J. Hawkins ; S. H. Parsons ; D. I. Hooks.

*Died*—Joseph B. Rudd.

*Stricken from the Roll*—George W. Miller.

## GERMANIA LODGE, No. 46.

*St. Louis street, near Claiborne, New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Wild, John.....	W M	Kellner, John F.....	Secretary
Flammang, N.....	S W	Frank, A.....	S D
Weber, Stanislaus.....	J W	Fick, Val.....	J D
Eichholz, F O.....	Treasurer	Drege, N.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Abry, John G	Goldmann, H	Phillips, Alexander
Abels, John H	Gerdes, A	Reutter, John E
Asche, Christian	Guyold, A	Rees, Charles
Aufenkolk, F	Hatry, Theodore	Simon, Martin
Beckmann, E	Heilbrunner, D	Szubilsky, H
Baaden, John	Huber, J M	Schwarz, J J
Brüen, A	Hoch, M	Springer, L
Boh, J B	Jenson, P	Stich, Isidore
Brand, Chr	Koch, E	Stonne, W A
Dëls, F	Kraemer, Wm	Stein, C M
Doerhauer, A	Kattmann, John	Schmidt, A
Dehmel, Wm	Kaiser, J L	Vollrath, H
Fulda, Julius	Kerston, Wm	Wellhausen, H
Friederich, J	Koerenzig, C	Wild, J F
Fürbringer, Wm	Lanz, Jacob	Wild, Christian
Fluer, W C	Lippe, J N	Winkelmann, A
Friede, Wm	Mayer, J T	Weber, J G
Fischer, Charles	Michelfelder, M	Wunderlich, E G
Gerlach, John	Mittendorf, John	Wuest, Wm
Goldstein, A	Otto, J N	Werner, Jacob
Gottschalk, Ch	Oppenheim, L	Wachter, L

Total—71.

*Initiated*—Chr. Brand; Wm. Friede; Val. Fick; A. Schmidt; Wm. Wuest; Gus. Willheit; R. Brussbacher; A. Conrad; R. Gieseler; Wm. Hartmann; T. Steinfels; J. Zoelinger.

*Passed*—J. B. Boh; Chr. Brand; Wm. Friede; Val. Fick; M. Hoch; A. Schmidt; Wm. Wuest; J. Werner; G. Willheit.

*Raised*—J. B. Boh; Chr. Brand; Wm. Friede; Val. Fick; A. Guyold; M. Hoch; C. Koerenzig; A. Schmidt; Wm. Wuest; J. Werner; L. Wachter.

*Affiliated*—Charles Fischer; W. A. Stonne.

*Demitted*—A. Brüen.

*Died*—C. M. Stein.

*Stricken from the Roll*—W. C. Fluer.

*Suspended Indefinitely*—H. Goldmann.

*Expelled*—J. N. Otto.

## ST. JAMES LODGE, No. 47.

*Baton Rouge, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Hart, Samuel M.....	W M	Dufrocq, John R.....	Secretary
Pike, George A.....	S W	Asher, S M.....	S D
Fullshire, Amos J.....	J W	Stafford, James C.....	J D
Pike, William S.....	Treasurer	Reeder, William G.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Adams, Amos	Herron, Andrew	Repp, John D
Alexander, Alonzo	Hutchez, James	Regan, Asbury
Burke, Richard H	Isett, Samuel L	Richard, J
Bradford, Andrew	Jones, Henry	Richard, F
Buffington, Thos J	Lallier, F C	Sale, Henry E
Blanchard, S F	Lanouc, John C	Stuart, R S
Bauer, Phillipe	Lanouc, Eugene	Stuart, J D
Crozier, Arthur	Marks, S F	Seymour, J W
Crenshaw, W H	McHatton, R E	Sharp, William J
Dunn, A M	McGimsey, J W P	Stevens, B
Dunn, J B	Morgan, J S	Sheppers, Alfred
Day, R H	McCutcheon, J M	St. Martin, Alexander
Elam, James Essex	Morgan, Thos G	Turner, James
Engle, Charles J	Mann, W D	Taylor, John C
Fay, Timothy	McCormick, Joseph	Vail, Abraham B
Groves, J B	New, John H	Violet, J L
Goldman, Theodore	Oladowski, H	Williams, J A
Gentles, Henry	Piker, Charles F	Williams, J M
Howell, Henry M	Perillat, François	Wilson, Alfred
Holt, Jordan	Pullen, E J	Washington, J G
Huguet, John S	Pope, C W	Waddill, H T

Total—71.

*Initiated*—A. Crozier ; John H. New ; C. W. Pope ; B. Bernard ; C. J. Engle ; William J. Ushur.

*Passed*—A. Crozier ; C. J. Engle ; H. Gentles ; John H. New ; C. W. Pope ; F. R. Beunot ; H. J. Puckett.

*Raised*—A. Crozier ; C. J. Engle ; J. B. Dunn ; H. Gentles ; John H. New ; C. W. Pope.

*Affiliated*—S. M. Asher ; Phillipe Bauer ; James Hutchez ; Theodore Goldman ; J. B. Groves ; J. C. Stafford ; H. Oladowski ; E. J. Pullen ; H. E. Sale ; Alexander St. Martin.

*Demitted*—H. M. Howell ; Jordan Holt ; R. E. McHatton ; Henry Jones ; H. Oladowski ; C. W. Pope ; H. T. Waddill.

*Suspended* (for ten years from October 4th, 1859) — François Perillat. (New trial granted.)



## PROVIDENCE LODGE, No. 50.

*Lake Providence, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Campbell, Robert N.....	W M	Purdy, Charles R.....	Secretary
Pennington, Wm F.....	S W	Lyons, Wm R C.....	S D
Roberts, Isaac F.....	J W	Griffeth, Thomas.....	J D
Kent, Isaac N.....	Treasurer	Richard, Amié.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allen, Wm L	Ingram, J S	Short, Hugh
Beasley, R J	Lachs, S W	Shumard, J J
Bass, Abraham	Larche, S A	Strehle, F
Bell, J W	Lewis, Simon	Salen, G
Connelly, R T	Lea, J M	Strassner, F
Elliott, J B	McAuley, Samuel	Sibley, Wm L
Goodrich, F M	Mims, E F	Smith, R M
Green, A W	Matthews, E	Tozier, William
Hillman, H	McCrimmon, G W	Travis, E R
Harris, Eli	McNeill, A J	Willson, George G
Herbert, E	Pride, J M	Whicher, Franc
Holmes, Horace	Sims, R C	Total—43.

*Initiated*—R. T. Connelly; Horace Holmes; J. M. Lea; C. R. Purdy; Wm. L. Sibley; Franc Whicher.

*Passed*—R. T. Connelly; Horace Holmes; J. M. Lea; Charles R. Purdy; Wm. L. Sibley; Franc Whicher.

*Raised*—R. T. Connelly; Horace Holmes; J. M. Lea; Chas R. Purdy; Wm. L. Sibley; Franc Whicher.

*Affiliated*—R. J. Beasley; Abraham Bass; J. S. Ingram; Simon Lewis; W. F. Pennington; R. M. Smith; E. R. Travis. In 1858—E. Herbert.

*Demitted*—J. W. Bell; A. J. McNeill. In 1858—Robert Scott; D. B. Wade. In 1857—L. T. Wade.

*Died*—Eli Harris; E. F. Mims; Wm. Tozier; E. R. Travis.

*Suspended*—In 1857—T. A. Sharp.

*Reinstated*—Wm. L. Allen; J. W. Bell.

## MINDEN LODGE, No. 51.

*Minden, Claiborne Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Berry, J W.....	W M	Landsberg, Alfred....	Secretary
Ratcliffe, Harley.....	S W	Monzingo, Samuel.....	S D
Bates, P P.....	J W	Nickerson, E T.....	J D
Lucas, Chas E.....	Treasurer	Allen, S S.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brown, James H	Frank, Wm L	McFarland, H
Black, Wm F	Fleming, Samuel	Martin, N. H
Burson, E G	Geren, James P	Miller, Michael
Buys, J G	Gassaway, Thomas	Miller, M W
Bates, C C	Gilbert, Josiah	Moreland, T
Bryan, J N	Gee, S P	McWilliams, John C
Bryan, J T	Hodges, John L	Millican, J A
Chaffe, Charles	Hodges, Robert	Maxey, Raymon
Clinton, S R	Harper, J D	Nickerson, J W
Camp, A G	Hunter, J C T	Oliver, J N
Clinton, John A	Holcomb, John	Parmenter, H B
Carter, Jasper N	Jones, Joslin	Pressnall, John
Carter, John J	Kelly, Wm A	Smith, J B
Dickey, Wm C	Lee, Wm	Sledge, J M
Dennard, John	Lee, L T	Smith, M C
Doyle, John M	Lee, J B	Tankersly, Wm
Deck, B P	Lane, John G	Williams, Simeon
Evans, John R	McFarland, D	Williams, E B
Everett, G W	McPanton, Jesse C	Williams, E G
		Total—65.

*Initiated*—John C. McWilliams ; Raymon Maxey.*Passed*—J. T. Bryan ; Jasper N. Carter ; John C. McWilliams ; Raymon Maxey ; B. F. Fuller.*Raised*—J. N. Bryan ; J. T. Bryan ; Jasper N. Carter ; John C. McWilliams ; Raymon Maxey.*Affiliated*—S. P. Gee ; John Holcomb ; J. A. Millican. In 1858—William Tankersly.*Demitted*—C. C. Bates ; Charles Chaffe ; Wm. C. Dickey ; Joslin Jones ; Wm. Tankersly ; Simeon Williams ; E. B. Williams ; E. G. Williams. In 1858—H. G. Clinton.*Died*—William Lee ; L. T. Lee.

## OLIVE LODGE, No. 52.

*Clinton, Parish of East Feliciana, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Munday, G W.....	W M	D'Armond, J G.....	Secretary
Chapman, L G.....	S W	Bishop, T W.....	S D
Packwood, Geo H.....	J W	Tilden, Norwood.....	J D
Kahn, Saml.....	Treasurer	D'Armond, T H.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Adams, Thos	Felps, Jas F	Norwood, D C
Booker, Wm	Flowers, E A	Norman, Louis
Brown, Irvine	Gayle, W D	Norwood, Joseph A
Brown, J P	Gayle, C O	Offett, John
Bloom, Solomon	Green, W H	Pipes, A S
Barnes, E W	Gurney, Wm	Reese, G W
Brown, R S	Haynes, Bythell	Robbins, T W
Barnett, Joel	Harvey, F R	Rogers, S T
Bowman, C D	Haney, P J	Ross, E
Barfield, D	Higginbotham, Jno	Rounsaville, D W
Butterly, J T	Hatchell, B B	Rowley, Job
Chapman, W W	Hertzler, John	Rist, Chas A
Cobb, W H	Hardee, D C	Sadler, Wm
Castello, J J	Hall, S J	Smith, J B
Craig, J M	Hamilton, W J	Stokes, E C
Currie, A F	Jordan, W M	Seals, L J
Clinton, G H	Jones, H W	Shultz, Chas
Carney, J G	Knight, N A	Smith, Judson J
Covert, J J	Kernan, W F	Thoms, A D
Delee, A W	Killbourne, J G	Vanwycke, J C
Dembinski,	Latham, G A	Wood, John
Dunn, W W	Love, Jno H	Wall, Isaac
Dreher, R J	Langworthy, O P	Whitley, J P
Eddards, O G	McGhee, T L	Womack, A M
Edwards, W G	Myers, Jas H	Worms, A
East, T L	McGuffy, H	Wortham, N J W
Frank, M	Meyer, Moses	Walker, W E
Fawver, W N	Myers, Wm	White, C S
Fiester, A T	Montgomery, J R	Young, J M
Fuqua, T J	Monahan, J P	
Felps, E R	Nesom, Jas	

Total—99

*Initiated*—D. Barfield; J. G. Carney; — Dembinski; T. H. D'Armond; T. J. Fuqua; O. P. Langworthy; Louis Norman; J. A. Norwood; John Offett; Job Rowley; C. A. Rist; Judson J. Smith; N. Tilden; C. S. White; Thos. Felps; J. M. Bell; J. V. Brown; Aquilla Felps; W. B. Fawver; Isaac T. Felps; A. Mitchell; A. McD. Riley.

*Passed*—D. Barfield; A. F. Currie; J. G. Carney; J. J. Covert; — Dembinski; T. H. D'Armond; T. J. Fuqua; J. F. Felps; E. R. Felps; W. H. Green; H. W. Jones; O. P. Langworthy; Louis Norman; J. A. Norwood; John Offet; Job Rowley; C. A. Rist; Judson J. Smith; N. Tilden; C. S. White; J. M. Young; A. G. Cobb; S. J. Chance; Thos. Felps.

*Raised*—D. Barfield; A. F. Currie; J. G. Carney; J. J. Covert; — Dembinski; T. H. D'Armond; T. J. Fuqua; J. F. Felps; E. R. Felps; W. H. Green; H. W. Jones; O. P. Langworthy; Louis Norman; J. A. Norwood; John Offet; Job Rowley; C. A. Rist; Chas. Shultz; Judson J. Smith; N. Tilden; C. S. White; J. M. Young.

*Affiliated*—G. H. Clinton; W. W. Dunn; A. T. Fiester; E. A. Flowers; Wm. Gurney; W. J. Hamilton.

*Demitted*—G. H. Clinton; T. L. McGhee; Moses Meyer; A. S. Pipes; S. T. Rogers; Wm. Sadler; E. C. Stokes; A. D. Thoms; J. P. Whitley; N. J. W. Wortham.

*Died*—Thomas Adams; A. W. Delce; Jas. Barnett, Jr. (E. A.); R. J. Dreher.

*Stricken from the Roll*—F. R. Harvey; T. J. Butterly.

*Reinstated*—A. D. Thoms.

## UNION FRATERNAL LODGE, No. 53.

*Farmersville, Union Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Barrett, John L.....	W M	Smith, Wm C.....	Secretary
McFarland, Wm A.....	S W	Regenburg, Hy.....	S D
Windes, Edward B.....	J W	McVicker, P H.....	J D
Carson, Moses S.....	Treasurer	Granger, A H.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Auld, Jas A	Carr, Allen	Mashaw, Peter
Anders, John	Dillard, B F	Nyegaard, J C L
Arent, David	Findley, Thos B	Odom, Pinkney
Bird, V I	Findley, Andrew J	Pearson, James
Bilberry, E B	Gilbert, Wm T	Phillips, J F
Bilberry, J G	Honeycutt, Alfred	Robinson, John B
Betterton, Nathan	Hall, Wm C	Raney, Wm J
Bransford, J A	Ham, H H	Rabem, R F
Carson, Jas H	Kolb, Jas G	Rowland, L F
Carson, Wm H	McGough, Wm S	Taylor, Jordan G
Culbertson, Wm H	Morison, Daniel C	Ward, E H

Total—41.

*Initiated*—Jas. T. Mayes.

*Affiliated*—P. H. McVicker; Peter Mashaw; J. F. Phillips.

*Died*—James H. Carson; Wm. T. Gilbert.

## MOUNT GERIZIM LODGE, No. 54.

*Bustrop, Morehouse Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Brice, J M.....	W M	McMurtry, W L.....	Secretary
Hough, J E S.....	S W	Smith, B W.....	S D
Marble, R D.....	J W	Felton, J G.....	J D
Sharp, G D.....	Treasurer	Tisdale, G F.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Alford, Warren	Jones, James L	Sisson, J E
Boyd, Joseph	Jelks, G W	Stinson, J B
Carson, Robt A	Jones, R H	Stevenson, R W
Cason, J T	Klady, R E	Smith, Daniel
Davenport, F J	Livingston, A	Shordt, J J
Davenport, A S	McKoin, John	Traylor, J H
Doby, R H	Montgomery, J T	Vick, V C
Humbert, G J	McKay, Thos J	Wadlington, W H
Hendrick, R C	McGowen, J E	
Harper, A D	Newton, Daniel	
		Total—36.

*Initiated*—J. G. Felton; J. T. Sharp.*Passed*—J. G. Felton; J. T. Sharp.*Raised*—J. G. Felton; J. J. Shordt.*Affiliated*—J. T. Cason; R. D. Marble; J. J. Shordt (F. C.)*Demitted*—Joseph Boyd; V. C. Vick; W. H. Wadlington.*Died*—Robt. A. Carson; R. E. Klady.*Reinstated*—W. H. Wadlington.

## DE SOTO LODGE, No. 55.

*Mansfield, De Soto Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Sutherland, John H.....	W M	Jackson, J S.....	Secretary
Phifer, Silas.....	S W	Snider, Gilderoy.....	S D
Pegues, Sam'l L.....	J W	Jackson, W R.....	J D
Jackson, B F.....	Treasurer	Herrin, W F.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Abington, T W	Gibson, W T	Stewart, James
Brodnax, T W	Godfrey, W	Scales, J C
Bennett, W F T	Gibbs, C W	Sutherlin, G H
Buchanan, M G	Guy, S E	Sutherlin, N A
Barker, B P	Graves, P S	Steele, Jesse G
Brown, Israel	Graves, C W	Sheppard, J H
Betts, E G	Gordon, T J	Sloan, Hamilton
Bailey, W B	John, Abel	Sebastian, Wm
Carroll, A O	Jeffries, T D	Smith, Wm
Coursey, C W	Laird, D J	Schurlock, J F
Carey, S S	Lewis, Martin	Tibbitts, C D
Cranford, J J	McLaughlin, Sam'l	Terrill, W H
Cranford, W	Moseley, James	Wynne, P D
Davis, W J	McDowell, R W	Williams, T J jr
Dear, H P	Matthews, P H	Wiley, T J
Dillard, J H	Newton, C E	Williams, Jesse M
Eastham, J H	Nall, J P	Webb, W J
Eckerman, Z D	Phillips, H J	West, S L
Fortson, E H	Parker, S D	Yarbrough, J J
Flaniken, M D	Rucker, Burton	
Foreman, Q A	Reaves, J W	
		Total—69.

*Initiated*—S. S. Carey; J. J. Cranford; W. Cranford; Q. A. Foreman; T. J. Gordon; Samuel McLaughlin; James Moseley; R. W. McDowell; W. J. Webb; R. Clifton; W. F. Parsons; Jesse M. Stephenson; H. Flores.

*Passed*—S. S. Carey; J. J. Cranford; W. Cranford; Q. A. Foreman; T. J. Gordon; Samuel McLaughlin; James Moseley; R. W. McDowell; W. J. Webb; R. Clifton; W. F. Parsons; Jesse M. Stephenson.

*Raised*—S. S. Carey; J. J. Cranford; W. Cranford; Q. A. Foreman; T. J. Gordon; Samuel McLaughlin; B. F. Jackson; James Moseley; R. W. McDowell; W. J. Webb.

*Affiliated*—W. Godfrey; P. S. Graves; C. W. Graves; S. D. Parker; John W. Reaves; Wm. Sebastian; Jesse M. Williams; S. E. Guy.

*Demitted*—T. W. Abington; E. H. Fortson; P. S. Graves; W. C. Graves; J. P. Nall; J. F. Shurlock.

*Died*—Hugh P. Dear.

*Reinstated*—Thos. W. Brodnax.

## LAFAYETTE LODGE, No: 56.

*Vernon, Jackson Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS

Jones, John C.....	W M	Ryan, Joseph R.....	Secretary
Trask, Stetson.....	S W	Smith, Alex.....	S D
Jones, John W.....	J W	Wilson, T F.....	J D
Lewis, Wm.....	Treasurer	Everett, R B.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brantley, B F	Hargrove, R M	Parker, Jno L
Barr, J R	Hart, S E	Prestridge, J J
Burn, J P	Hamilton, F	Perry, J P
Butler, W C	Herlong, C A C	Pierson, J C
Barnes, Wm	Jones, R B	Pool, W A
Clarke, J H	Jamison, H	Rogers, M
Coon, J A	Kidd, M B	Robinson, J
Coplan, J	Kennedy, D H	Robinson, W S
Childs, M A	Kennedy, J A	Stell, J W
Defreese, B L	Murphy, Wm	Smith, Hiram
Embry, J M	McDonald, W B	Smith, J M
Graves, B B	Miles, J A	Upchurch, T G
Glass, Thos	McVickers, D	Williams, W
Hargrove, P H C	McLeroy, T W.	Womack, A
Hargrove, J M	McBride, Wm	Wilson, E A

Total—53

*Initiated*—J. H. Clark; P. H. C. Hargrove; Wm. McBride; E. A. Wilson; J. H. Veale.

*Passed*—J. H. Clarke; P. H. C. Hargrove; Wm. McBride; J. M. Smith; E. A. Wilson.

*Raised*—J. H. Clarke; P. H. C. Hargrove; Wm. McBride; J. M. Smith; E. A. Wilson.

*Affiliated*—J. Coplan; M. A. Childs; R. B. Jones; J. W. Jones; Jno. L. Parker; W. S. Robinson; Hiram Smith. In 1857—W. C. Butler,

*Demitted*—J. P. Burn; R. M. Hargrove; C. A. C. Herlong; J. W. Stell.

*Died*—B. F. Brantley. In 1858—R. P. Snipes.

*Reinstated*—J. P. Burn; Thos. Glass; W. Williams.

## FRANKLIN LODGE, No 57.

*Franklin, Parish of St. Mary, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Gordy, John C.....	W M	Smith, C M.....	Secretary
Smith, H H.....	S W	Hatcher, R.....	S D
Tucker, A L.....	J W	Henderson, J P.....	J D
McKerrall, Wilson...	Treasurer	Levy, F U.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allen, Shakspeare	Hawkins, J T	Pumphrey, O L
Allen, Elihu	Hawthorne, A	Richardson, F D
Carl, F A	Hungerford, Wm	Read, R H
Curtis, L R	Hudgens, H H	Smith, J A
Constant, E D	Harding, Lyman	Smith, W C
Fuller, E W	Jones, T J	Stansbury, H
Fourmy, J V	Lacy, J E	Smoot, B F
Furlong, J P	Millard, N P	Saunders, E E
Fontaine, J T	McKerrall, Watson	Stanard, H C
Gadsbury, T	Meslier, E	Steinmitz, A
Garrett, M A	Mayer, M	Tucoo, M
Gordy, M T	Olivier, A	Wilson, H C
Godchaux, D	Palfrey, F C	Wilson, Charles
Total—47		

*Initiated*—F. U. Levy; Chas. Wilson; S. Loeb; J. C. Gillmore; Wm. Rose.

*Passed*—F. A. Carl; F. U. Levy; Chas. Wilson; S. Loeb.

*Raised*—F. A. Carl; J. V. Fourmy; A. Hawthorne; F. U. Levy; Chas. Wilson.

*Affiliated*—T. J. Jones; O. L. Pumphrey.

*Demitted*—T. Gadsbury; F. D. Richardson; R. H. Read.

*Died*—J. P. Furlong; Watson McKerrall.

*Reinstated*—H. Stansbury.

## FRIENDS OF HARMONY LODGE, No. 58.

*Grand Lodge, Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts., N. O.*

## OFFICERS.

Harby, Saml.....	W M	DeSola, A.....	Secretary
Clark, J H.....	S W	Burk, R S....	S D
DeCastro, J O.....	J W	Nicoll, D.....	J D
Williams, Henry.....	Treasurer	Trelford, Wm.....	Tyler



## MEMBERS

Adler, E	Gondie, G F	Myers, John
Bradsted, C D S	Gomila, John	Marks, H
Bates, J G	Gay, S	Morris, S
Bowers, Lewis	Gomila, M J	Nathan, Saml
Booth, Edwd	Gomperts, G S	Nielson, G W
Brennan, Jno	Gainsburgh, J B	Ochiglevich, John
Bowditch, G B	Hart, F W	O'Grady, J H
Bowden, A	Holland, J H	Ogelvie, Chs
Brux, Chas	Hernandez, A	Patton, F
Charier, A	Hyland, L	Quirk, E
Cognovich, A	Howes, Robt	Rickert, F
Coburn, Robt	Holland, W H	Rhoades, R
Cortissoz, A J	Hiley, T R	Royal, Chas
Carter, Henry	Hirsh, M	Stevenson, W W
Charnock, Geo.	Houson, John	Solomon, L J
Crampon, Chas	Jorda, Thos	Smith, T R
Davis, James	Kean, R W	Smith, R D
De la Cruz, R	Keaghey, R S	Smith, J C
Dean, John	Kells, C E	Selby, James
Dias, A H L	Kraft, F A	Semmons, J H
Da Silva, B	Kaufman, S	Shwartz, L
Forshee, Peter	Leech, Jas	Trelford, Alex
Fielding, T R	Lang, E	Trelford, W J
Fowler, Jno	Laurent, A P	Thisted, N. P
Fendler, E	Leja, H V	Thomas, John
Gowan, G B	Lockwood, J B	Turner, R
Goslenski, G	Minieri, G	Thackeray, R
Gale, Jas	McQuoid, Jas	Wilner, J C
Gilmore, J S	Mayer, Leon	Williamson, A
Gracey, R B	Moody, Robt	Wilbur, Lewis
Gideon, Joseph	Moore, Wm	Wickert, Simon
Gardenghi, L	Moschizsker, F A Von	Young, Christian

Total—104

*Initiated*—Geo. Charnock; S. Morris; D. Nicoll; E. Quirk; R. Y. Bates; B. Dreyfus; F. H. Rickers; B. Sternklar; W. A. Patton.

*Passed*—Chas. Brux; Geo. Charnock; M. Hirsh; Jno. Houson; S. Morris; D. Nicoll; E. Quirk; L. Shwartz; S. Wickert; Henry Briers.

*Raised*—Chas. Brux; Geo. Charnock; M. Hirsh; Jno. Houson; S. Morris; D. Nicoll; E. Quirk; L. Shwartz; S. Wickert.

*Affiliated*—C. Crampon; S. Kaufman; G. W. Nielson.

*Demitted*—Joseph Gideon; H. V. Leja; F. Patton; Jas. Selby; J. H. Semmons.

*Died*—James Davis.

*Stricken from the Roll*—A. Williamson.

*Reinstated*—James Selby.

## MOUNT MORIAH LODGE, No. 59.

*Odd Fellows' Hall, corner Camp and Lafayette sts., New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Watts, J T.....	W M	Furneaux, Jas.....	Secretary
Hackney, N J.....	S W	Hibbin, Jas.....	S D
Delesdernier, F W.....	J W	Kelly, Wm.....	J D
McCulloch, Wm.....	Treasurer	Monsen, P.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Anderson, John	Fuller, J D	Maybin, W
Ahern, D J	Farwell, C A	Nicol, Walter
Bier, Henry	Fowler, D H	Nicols, J
Baldry, S	Fonts, J S	Nye, A
Baldwin, J T	Flanders, W E	Nessin, P C
Boulware, A	Graham, Geo	O'Leary, M
Boole, T	Guthiem, J K	O'Dowd, A
Benson, George	Gubernator, J L	Payson, A
Beebe, D	Gagnet, L	Pasley, J
Boyle, J W	Gilmore, W T	Pendleton, W E
Bensadon, Joseph	Gilmore, J B	Purvis, George
Behan, J H	Garnet, E	Pooley, J C
Booth, John	Gilman, S H	Pray, A A
Barrera, A	Graw, A	Powers, Jas
Bonzano, H	Gillum, H	Prague, J B
Bleyman, C	Gray, J W	Phillips, J A
Black, J W	Grijalva, C de	Pendleton, Edmund
Byington, F	Harris, J L	Rose, J C
Barlow, H M	Hunly, H L	Race, G W
Bragg, T F	Howell, J M	Reed, J W
Bennett, B T K	Hodgkins, W F	Rutherford, C M
Bauduc, F J	Hawes, Sam'l	Richards, W T
Blakeney, W	Hobson, John	Rollins, A
Bidwell, Henry	Herron, A C	Ross, E M
Bosworth, W	Hans, M	Roquest, E H
Butler, E S	Hill, W P	Roberts, U C
Baker, J	Hatch, F H	Roberts, A C
Batson, W N	Hildreth, J A	Redding, W E
Bermer, E	Heald, Jas	Rutherford, G V
Burns, J	Hinton, I T	Rogers, C J
Barnes, E W	Ingraham, F	Rosenfield, L
Biglione, Chas	Jacobs, E	Rainey, W H
Belknapp, S E	Jackson, A O	Richmond, E D
Berry, S A	Jones, A	Richter, A F
Bedford, W D G	James, W A	Stanly, H H
Boné, F	Jacobs, Isaac	Shields, T H
Cheesborough, J B	Jacobshagen, G	Shaw, G W
Collins, J K	Knapp, F H	Shepherd, Jos

Cohen, B	Kinchin, A W	Stewart, W
Chase, C H	Knight, A G	Sullivan, T
Carey, Robt	Little, Robert	Sinclair, J
Chism, George	Lukman, Wm	Storer, C A
Cook, W B	Laughlin, T O	Slemmer, J
Chevalier, E	Lugenbuhl, J J	Sprague, S
Clough, Jas	Lynes, J	Stockton, J T
Carvin, M	Lee, W D	Sprague, J K
Crane, C P	Larbalastier, J	Smith, R N
Cullen, James	Lurges, F	Sanford, A W
Corson, J J	Lincoln, J W	Sanford, Theo
Cardella, R F	McIntosh, W K	Stith, Gerard
Christie, J	Michell, S C	Stephens, T A
Canfield, L A	McCulloch, J	Spearing, E F
Carlin, James	McWhan, T	Shiff, Henry
Campbell, B	Murray, T	Towne, A
Cripps, Thos	McLelland, W	Taylor, L J
Dodd, J W	Morgan, J C	Titus, J L
Donaghue, W H	McGuigin, P	Van Slooten, J
Dunlap, J G	Moorehouse, Joseph	Vass, R C
Dunham, J E	Morse, R S	Van Houton, J
Davis, James	McMasters, W	Wood, A
Dows, J L	Marr, G W H	Warner, J L
Douglas, John	Mortimer, C E	Wolfe, John
Dobrilvich, A	Miltenberger, C A	Wilson, W C
Drinkwater, J W	Moore, J H	Wells, Wm
Donnella, O J	Menzies, James	Winslow, M
Duke, R W	Mayer, H	Watts, W C
Durand, N	Mulliken, M J	Weems, A W
Emerson, C M	Magee, P	Watson, J S
Estlin, R W	McBurney, Thos	Wiley, E W
Eckert, J H	Mackin, P W	Witte, G F
Ewing, Wm	Merrill, H A	Westerburg, J B
Ewing, Wm jr	Murdy, J H	Wren, Wm
Ewing, C W	Maes, C H	Waterman, Wm
Forno, Henry	Murison, K B	Total—229.

*Initiated*—S. E. Belknap; S. A. Berry; W. D. G. Bedford; F. Boné; J. J. Corson; R. F. Cardella; J. Christie; L. A. Canfield; H. Gillum; J. W. Gray; James Heald; I. T. Hinton; Wm. Kelly; F. Lurges; J. W. Lincoln; K. B. Murison; W. Maybin; P. C. Nessin; J. B. Prague; E. D. Richmond; A. F. Richter; Henry Shiff; W. Waterman; F. C. Jones; Geo. Bloomfield; F. G. Correjolles; J. V. Exnicios; J. J. Hitchcock; H. T. Hill; D. L. Mudge; C. P. Wilson.

*Passed*—S. E. Belknap; S. A. Berry; W. D. G. Bedford; F. Boné; J. J. Corson; R. F. Cardella; J. Christie; L. A. Canfield; N. Durand; H. Gillum; J. W. Gray; James Heald; I. T. Hinton; William Kelly; F. Lurges; J. W. Lincoln; K. B. Murison; W. Maybin; P. C. Nessin; J. B. Prague; E. D. Richmond; A. F. Richter; Henry Shiff; William Waterman; F. C. Jones; A. F. Picton.

*Raised*—S. E. Belknapp; S. A. Berry; W. D. G. Bedford; F. Boné; J. J. Corson; R. F. Cardella; J. Christie; L. A. Canfield; N. Durand; H. Gillum; J. W. Gray; Jas. Heald; I. T. Hinton; William Kelly; F. Lurges; J. W. Lincoln; K. B. Murison; W. Maybin; P. C. Nessin; J. B. Prague; E. D. Richmond; A. F. Richter; Henry Shift; William Waterman.

*Affiliated*—C. Biglione; J. Carlin; B. Campbell; Thomas Cripps; W. E. Flanders; C. de Grijalva; J. A. Phillips; Ed. Pendleton.

*Demitted*—E. Bermer; H. Forno; E. Jacobs; T. McWhan; G. F. Witte.

*Died*—W. N. Batson; J. E. Dunham; J. C. Morgan; J. W. Reed.

*Suspended for five years*—D. J. Ahern.

*Reinstated*—E. Jacobs; A. Payson; S. Sprague.

## WESTERN STAR LODGE, No. 61.

*Monroe, Ouachita Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

McGuire, Joseph F.....	W M	McGuire, John A.....	Secretary
Delery, Charles.....	S W	—————	————— S D
Mitchell, Joseph H.....	J W	—————	————— J D
Wentzell, John.....	Treasurer	—————	————— Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Atkins, John	Hoffman, Joseph	Roane, E H
Baker, W J Q	Holt, D M	Richardson, James G
Bozeman, S	Jones, Osborn	Sanford, A W
Crane, Edmund	King, Gotlieb	Stevens, C S
Churchill, Albert	Kinney, James E	Stubbs, F P
Dabbs, C H	McGuire, R F	Sterling, John T
De Launay, F L	McEnery, James D	Stewart, J M
Essick, George	McCormick, F L	Scarborough, J F
Faulk, David	Marshall, W E	Slack, S L
Fenner, John F	McQuiller, David	Trousdale, D B
Floyd, James L	Naughton, Thomas	Willson, R J
Garrett, Isaiah	Pierce, N U	Wisenor, M H
Gerson, H Jr	Phillips, T W	Wallace, John
Hasley, David	Richardson, R W	Yoangue, Hugh
Hughes, Wm	Rogers, W H	Total—49.

*Initiated*—William J. Gray; J. W. Parker; Thomas T. Parker.

*Passed*—S. Bozeman; J. W. Parker.

*Raised*—S. Bozeman; Hugh Yoangue.

*Affiliated*—D. M. Holt; David McQuiller.

*Demitted*—D. B. Trousdale.

*Died*—John Atkins; John T. Sterling; John Wallace.

## TUNICA LODGE, No. 63.

*Tunica Landing, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Hobgood, H. ....	W M	Cox, Wm T. ....	Secretary
Day, Rowland. ....	S W	Seeders, John J. ....	S D
White, W B. ....	J W	Day, M P. ....	J D
Keller, Wm B. ....	Treasurer	Doherty, S C. ....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brown, Asa	Keller, Lafayette	Rodney, Wm O
Babbitt, Fitzhenry	Leatherman, David	Robinson, Burgess
Burgess, George W	Lewis, Thomas H	Row, John S
Calliham, H C	Lawson, David	Smith, Samuel
Craft, Reuben L	Miles, Benjamin	Smith, James
Corry, George A	Martin, Lewis II	Sullivan, Warren
Davis, James	Martin, Wm J	Ward, Timothy C
Dawson, Wm H	Martin, Thomas B	White, Henry N
Dorman, Perry	McElwee, John C	
Hicks, Joseph B	Quine, Reason W	Total—36.

*Initiated*—David Lawson ; Wm. J. Martin ; John S. Row.*Passed*—David Lawson ; Wm. J. Martin ; John S. Row.*Raised*—David Lawson ; Wm. J. Martin ; John S. Row.*Demitted*—Fitzhenry Babbitt ; H. C. Calliham ; James Davis ; Lafayette Keller ; Burgess Robinson ; Samuel Smith ; Henry N. White.

## GEORGE WASHINGTON LODGE, No. 65.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets, N. O.*

## OFFICERS.

Scot, James B. ....	W M	Evans, George P. ....	Secretary
Sontag, Gustavus. ....	S W	Dick, A E. ....	S D
Tenney, J H. ....	J W	Dickson, J R. ....	J D
Steffens, Wm. ....	Treasurer	Hedges, Rev C S. ....	Chaplain
Biguenet, John. ....			Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allenet, T	Farrell, M J	McPhelan, C
Ankrim, P	Florat, J A	Nixon, James
Bell, W O	Fulton, S H	Neely, Wm M
Brady, T R	Gilmore, J D	Neyland, John S
Brand, R A	Greenfield, T	Ott, George H
Bothick, T W	Galpin, John	Parke, W C
Buckholtz, A P	Grissam, C W	Pike, John R
Burns, James	Graner, A	Quayle, John
Boswell, T E	Graner, John	Risk, S G
Bidwell, David	Hancy, Thomas	Ricardo, D Israel
Boulet, Alexander	Hamburger, H	Reeve, J M
Bowers, G Vining	Hirshfeld, H	Raymond, Charles
Bleakley, George	Harris, J B	Reynaud, H S
Benedickt, N	Isenhour, J E	Reddington, Wm A
Clark, J D	Isaard, Smith	Swasey, H R
Cutter, B L	Johnston, J W	Summers, H M
Carter, J H	Johnson, Wm K	Sill, John R
Crary, J W	James, W H	Sandak, J
Covert, A M	Jardet, P E	Smith, Mark
Cline, Wm	Kowalski, B	Stewart, C A
Christian, P J	Kuhnholz, F J	Stewart, C S
Cassidy, Hugh	Kyes, J B	Shields, John
Costanzi, F E	Küchler, C	Simpson, D F
Dentzel, F A	Knight, W Reilly	Thomasson, C
Dick, T W	Levy, A	Templeton, W C
Dirmeyer, G W	Lawrence, R B	Wilson, W A
Dias, E	Milliken, R	Wilbur, A C
Donniker, J B	Mathews, T L	Weaver, G J
Duffy, Joseph	Moynan, A F	Wingard, J C
Dowling, Patrick	Marshall, F	Watkins, J A
Evans, C E	Mayfield, J M	White, C W
Ebeling, H	McClure, J E	Walker, Charles
Elliott, J N	McConnell, J B	Warnke, John
Foute, M A	McDougall, A	Wood, David
Freeland, Thomas	McLary, John	West, Joseph
Fenner, Robert	McLaughlin, John	
Ford, Charles	McMillen, Wm	

Total—118.

*Initiated*—Patrick Dowling ; J. R. Dickson ; John Graner ; J. M. Mayfield ; C. McPhelan ; J. R. Pike ; George Coppell ; Warren Davis ; James P. Tank.

*Passed*—Patrick Dowling ; J. R. Dickson ; John Graner ; W. Reilly Knight ; J. M. Mayfield ; C. McPhelan ; J. R. Pike ; W. A. Reddington.

*Raised*—P. Ankrim ; Patrick Dowling ; J. R. Dickson ; John Graner ; W. Reilly Knight ; J. M. Mayfield ; C. McPhelan ; J. R. Pike ; W. A. Reddington ; J. H. Tenny.

*Affiliated*—A. E. Dick ; J. N. Elliott ; J. W. Johnston ; William K. Johnson.

*Demitted*—F. A. Dentzel; H. Hirshfeld; T. Schlier (F. C.)

*Died*—Patrick Dowling; H. Ebeling.

*Stricken from the Roll*—James Burns; A. F. Moynan; W. C. Parke.

## DUDLEY LODGE, No. 66.

*Grand Lodge, Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets, New Orleans.*

### OFFICERS.

Stewart, Wm. H. ....	W M	Guillet, S I. ....	Secretary
Marks, Edwin. ....	S W	Moore, Robt L. ....	S D
Gennisson, J H. ....	J W	Robinson, Hy E. ....	J D
Van Horn, T D. ....	Treasurer	Scot, Jas B. ....	( <sup>Not a</sup> <sub>member.</sub> ) Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Adams, Lucien	Gladden, A H	Purviance, W T
Adams, R W	Glenn, Archibald	Pendergrast, L
Abernathy, W M	Glenn, J W	Power, Dyas
Beebe, Henry	Gallagher, J J	Reynolds, Sheppard
Beauvais, W S	Griffith, J V B	Sturgeon, John
Burke, D H	Germain, H S	Shumway, Saml
Benedict, N B	Hall, Henry F	Seirs, R P
Buhler, Jno R	Hall, J W	Snodgrass, Saml
Blum, Jacob	Heuchert, Henry	Scott, W T
Barr, Jas A	Hopper, Thos J	Sullivan, Michl
Crenshaw, H M	Jacobs, Thos N	Shubert, F
Coleman, W P	Johnson, D C	Smith, Jacob
Cook, W B	Ivens, E M	Sabine, C S
Cobb, J B	Kloppman, L	Sharp, C S
Cohn, Sol	Lemon, Robt	Stanlig, Peter
Coupland, W G	Lowe, R M, Jr	Seymour, Shelby
Cooper, Wm.	Langhorne, M	Thompson, W J
Chesley, C J	Marks, Theodore	Tarbell, Ben
Diamond, C V	Mackey, T G	Taber, H H
Dobbins, S D	Mehaffy, A J	Tomlin, Hiram
Davis, M G	Montgomery, R M	Turner, Thos S
Dickinson, A G	Marshall, E C	Wells, W F
Estlin, C T	McDonald, J R	Whan, Wm, Jr
Edwards, A L	Murray, W A B	Withers, A S
Forshey, W G	Marsden, T W	Watt, J M
Friedlander, S	McCray, W V	White, J M

Total—85

*Initiated*—Jacob Blum; C. G. Chesley; A. G. Dickinson; A. L. Edwards; Thos. J. Hopper; E. M. Ivens; T. W. Marsden; Dyas Power; H. E. Robinson; Shelby Seymour; Thomas S. Turner; Thos. Placide; W. S. Sleade; J. W. Briscoe; R. T. Boyle; Thos. Carter; P. F. Degruy; C. W. Dwight; Jno. Diamond; G. W. Friar; Jno. C. Graeff; A. C. Hensley; J. O. Niebert; T. C. Newcomer; J. J. Osborne; T. G. Robinson; R. Sleade; L. M. Torrey; E. D. Turner; W. H. Thomas; A. Thomas; P. Van Collin; S. B. Wyly.

*Passed*—Jacob Blum; C. G. Chesley; A. G. Dickinson; A. L. Edwards; H. S. Germain; Thos. J. Hopper; E. M. Ivens; T. W. Marsden; Dyas Power; Henry E. Robinson; Shelby Seymour; Thos. S. Turner; Henry S. Carey; Thos. Placide; F. G. Randolph; W. S. Sleade.

*Raised*—Jacob Blum; C. G. Chesley; A. G. Dickinson; A. L. Edwards; H. S. Germain; Thos. J. Hopper; E. M. Ivens; T. W. Marsden; Dyas Power; Henry E. Robinson; Shelby Seymour; Thos. S. Turner.

*Affiliated*—James A. Barr; S. Friedlander; J. W. Glenn; W. A. B. Murray; R. L. Moore; W. V. McCray; Peter Stanlig; J. M. Watt; J. M. White.

*Demitted*—W. G. Forshey; J. J. Gallagher; J. V. B. Griffith.

*Died*—W. G. Coupland; T. G. Mackey; Jno. C. Graeff, (E. A.)

*Stricken from the Roll*—Sheppard Reynolds.

## MARION LODGE, No. 68.

*Grand Lodge, Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets, New Orleans.*

### OFFICERS.

Perkins, W M.....	W M	Browne, A H.....	Secretary
Todd, Saml M.....	S W	Hedges, T F.....	S D
Fellows, J Q A.....	J W	Scruggs, D E.....	J D
Hill, Artemon.....	Treasurer	Wells, Erastus.....	Tyler



## MEMBERS.

Anderson, P F	Halsey, E W	Price, Pere
Angel, R	Harrison, Danl	Raphael, A J
Bain, Geo	Harvey, G S J	Redmond, Ambrose
Beers, A P	Hewitt, W H	Reynolds, L E
Beers, J S, Jr	Hodges, Henry	Reynolds, H W
Bein, Richd	Horner, C W	Rickarby, W D
Benson, Joseph	Hufty, Joseph	Riggin, J H
Betterton, W G	Jackson, Joshua	Riordan, M
Blessey, E	Keefe, Thos	Robertson, J B
Bowman, John	Kendall, W G	Robinson, H M
Briard, Saml	Killili, C	Robinson, N T N
Buckley, H P	Lee, Jno M	Rondeau, W H
Claiborne, John	Lindsay, Jas	Schmidt, C
Clark, Moses	Logan, Danl S	Shaw, F Jr
Coeler, F W	Logan, J G	Shook, Isaac
Colton, D E	Louderbough, M	Shryock, John
Cornell, G P	Ludwigsen, J H	Simonds, J S
Caporal, P	Macon, Thos L	Stephenson, Jno A
Craig, E D	Mayer, Louis	Strenna, John
Cresap, H B	McMurdo, C	Swan, J L
Cripps, Thos	Mesritz, B O	Talbot, R
Daniel, J J	Middlemiss, P	Terrill, W H
Dannese, N	Moodie, James	Timmins, W H
Davis, Michael	Nash, C T	Watson, Robt
Dentzel, H H	Norcom, W R	Wilkins, A A
Dorsey, Orlando	Noyes, O J	Williams, F W
Ferguson, S G	Oliver, Richd	Williamson, N
Flemming, W A	Paxton, W H	Wilson, E H
Freeman, W J	Pect, G A	Wilson, James
Goodwyn, G W W	Pennington, S F	Wolters, Cornelius
Green, A P	Pike, Albert	
Greenleaf, H L	Power, J L	Total—101

*Initiated*—Thos. L. Macon; C. McMurdo; N. T. N. Robinson; Edmond Wooldridge; S. J. Bennett.

*Passed*—Thos. L. Macon; C. McMurdo; N. T. N. Robinson; S. J. Bennett.

*Raised*—Thos. L. Macon; C. McMurdo; N. T. N. Robinson.

*Affiliated*—Jno. Claiborne; E. D. Craig; E. W. Halsey; G. S. J. Harvey; R. Talbot.

*Demitted*—W. G. Betterton; P. Caporal; Thos. Cripps; Isaac Shook. In 1858—Albert Pike; J. L. Power.

*Died*—Saml. Briard; Pere Price; Ambrose Redmond; John Shryock; S. J. Bennett (f. c).

*Reinstated* Geo. Bain; S. F. Pennington; W. H. Rondeau; Isaac Shook.

## HIRAM LODGE, No. 70.

*Grand Lodge, Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets, New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Carroll, Timothy.....	W M	Diamond, R. E.....	Secretary
Rogers, Alex. S.....	S W	McKenzie, Wm.....	S D
Wills, John.....	J W	Pincus, Joseph.....	J D
Davis, William.....	Treasurer	Wells, Erastus.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Boehler, J A	Hunt, R R	Maguire, J P A
Brady, J M C	Hill, James	Newcomb, W W
Bowen, O F	Heidengsfelder, E	Peel, Matt
Baynham, Wm	Haislet, Joseph	Rumsey, H R
Breeden, Mark	Johnson, J T	Robertson, A R
Bryant, G W	Kavanagh, P	Ross, A J
Berger, J	Kaiser, Saml	Rayburn, Wm
Clelland, Wm	Labarthe, J J	Schwerin, Simon
Caufield, John	Lammont, Wm	Stern, Henry
Connell, J T	Levy, Henry	Solomon, S P
Everett, H C	McNamara, R	Turner, T B
Gutherie, James	Medd, James	Tighe, D R
Gardiner, S	Moreau, B	Whitworth, J
Grady, M J	Maire, Alfred	Wild, Wm
Gahan, Michl	Mitchell, M	Waddle, J R
Hardie, C L	Meagher, Edwd	
Hunt, E	McKeown, Chas	
		Total—57

*Initiated*—J. Berger; J. T. Connell; R. E. Diamond; Michl. Gahan; Henry Levy; Chas. M Black; Wm. Cooper; Chas. Neamis.

*Passed*—J. Berger; J. T. Connell; R. E. Diamond; Michl. Gahan; Henry Levy; Chas. M. Black; Danl. Derroch.

*Raised*—J. Berger; J. T. Connell; R. E. Diamond; Michl. Gahan; Henry Levy.

*Affiliated*—Saml. Kaiser; Wm. Lammont; Henry Stern.

*Died*—Matt. Peel.

*Reinstated*—Joseph Haislet.

## ALPHA LODGE, No. 72.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets, New Orleans.*

[United with Home Lodge, No. 142, December 13th, 1859.]

## MEMBERS.

Barnie, C S	Hill, John	Place, Henry
Barrett, H W	Hire, W H	Reynolds, H W W
Barry, D	Hornsby, C C	Robertson, R A
Beard, C C	Huckins, J H	Roca, Fred
Beckley, W F	Hutchings, W H	Ruckert, J T
Benedict, P	Jacques, J A	Selleck, S S
Bevan, G	Kerr, E M	Shaw, Alfred
Bishop, S L	Lampton, Wm	Sheldon, A P
Bockius, J M	Levy, L	Smith, H
Bogel, Wm	Long, H W	Stamps, I D
Campbell, C C	Maguire, J W	Strong, Henry
Chapsky, A	Mancosas, P F	Taylor, J C
Cotton, J A	McCoy, Hugh	Thienemann, A
Davis, C H	McGregor, Wm	Turck, J R
Donald, Saml	Mitchell, D F	Walker, J S
Gensler, S	Olroyd, F	Whipple, J B
Glennon, R	Oppenheim, B	Williams, W L
Gregory, R A	Payne, C B	Williamson, A C
Harris, J C	Pettingill, W S	
Hayes, G B	Perrett, P C	
		Total—58

*Initiated*—S. P. Farwell; D. McDonald; E. F. Newman; Wm. Towell.*Passed*—E. F. Newman; H. W. W. Reynolds.*Raised*—H. W. W. Reynolds.*Demitted*—R. A. Gregory; W. H. Hire; H. W. Long; F. Olroyd; Alfred Shaw; H. Smith.*Stricken from the Roll*—W. F. Beckley; C. C. Hornsby; R. A. Robertson; A. P. Sheldon.

## SABINE LODGE, No. 75.

*Fort Jessup, Sabine Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Dove, Simeon.....	W M	Munson, G.....	Secretary
Dove, Jasper.....	S W	Lyne, Henry.....	S D
Thompson, M B.....	J W	Wiley, Thomas.....	J D
Harris, John.....	Treasurer	Martin, Josiah.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Armstrong, J C	Forbes, Robert	Royston, S
Beck, Charles	Gilmore, G F	Stephens, S D
Barbee, Leslie	Harris, R J	Stephens, L E
Canado, Hugh	Litton, John	Welch, H P
Conway, John	Martin, James	Walker, J W
Curtis, Harvey	McLemore, N H	Wagley, J F
Carnes, R S	Royston, R F	Winn, T
		Total—29.

*Initiated*—Hugh Canado ; Robert Forbes ; T. Winn ; W. Barnhill ; Joseph Crappo ; Riley Stoker.

*Passed*—Hugh Canado ; Robert Forbes ; T. Winn.

*Raised*—Hugh Canado ; Robert Forbes ; T. Winn.

*Affiliated*—G. F. Gilmore ; Josiah Martin.

*Died*—S. D. Stephens.

*Stricken from the Roll*—N. H. McLemore.

## QUITMAN LODGE, No. 76.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets, N. O.*

## OFFICERS.

Peyton, Thos W.....	W M	Stansbury, Henry J....	Secretary
Seaman, Wm H.....	S W	Bartlett, Frank A.....	S D
Bartlette, T A.....	J W	Peterson, A H M.....	J D
Herndon, Thos C.....	Treasurer	Wells, Erastus ( <sup>Not a</sup> member.)....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Armistead, R C	Holt, George W	Palmer, Samuel T
Arnold, F J	Homan, Isaac W	Proctor, Frank F
Ashbridge, Alex M	Higgins, John P	Pierpont, A C
Bloomfield, Benj	Harris, Micajah	Patterson, J J
Bloomfield, Wm Jr	Hart, Archie	Quigg, Edward
Bayly, G M	Homan, George W	Reed, Erastus
Bloomfield, John M	Hill, J T	Robinson, S B
Blakeman, C H	Haynes, W H	Richey, G W
Beaman, George M	Isaacson, A H	Roberts, R B
Carlton, James S	Johnson, J L	Strawbridge, James
Clark, Charles W	Jones, J H	Searing, Thos F
Cutler, W C	Kane, Richard	Silverstein, Solomon
Churchill, Charles H	Knight, John	Strawbridge, A B
Dix, E H	Keep, Oliver H	Seton, Bethune

Dickey, N L	Lyons, G H	Sears, Thos A
Davenport, Isom	Langdon, John W	Soulé, George
Dirrhammer, J M	Langsfield, J H	Summers, John
Dixon, J K	Larsen, Hosea	Tenbrink, William
Field, Seth R	Marks, David H	Taylor, William J
Field, Seaman	Meyers, Samuel	Thiel, W
Frank, Simon	McCluskey, M	Tritt, E W
Fetzing, Charles P	Mohr, P W	Voigt, John A
Gibbs, Wilmot	McDonald, John	Wingfield, George
Graetz, Isaac	Maxwell, Thos L	Waters, M H
Hertz, Louis	Morgan, E W	Wingfield, James H
Hanning, John	Nash, R H	Wood, John C
Hall, Ed A	Offergeld, Anton	Williams, J L
		Total—88.

*Initiated*—C. H. Blakeman; J. T. Hill; Hosea Larsen; Thomas L. Maxwell; E. W. Morgan; George Soulé; John Summers; John C. Wood; J. W. Moore; George P. French; George M. Kendall; James Tatum; W. L. Stansbury; C. (Gueramand) Morel; J. E. McCormick; B. B. Clark; Ignatius Caulfield; S. Smith; J. Cunningham; Alfred Reid; T. B. Harris; J. M. Van Solinger. In 1858—J. J. Patterson.

*Passed*—C. H. Blakeman; W. C. Cutler; J. T. Hill; J. H. Jones; Hosea Larsen; Thomas L. Maxwell; E. W. Morgan; J. J. Patterson; George Soulé; John Summers; John C. Wood; J. L. Woolsey; J. W. Moore; George P. French; George M. Kendall.

*Raised*—C. H. Blakeman; W. C. Cutler; J. T. Hill; J. H. Jones; Hosea Larsen; Thomas L. Maxwell; E. W. Morgan; J. J. Patterson; George Soulé; John Summers; John C. Wood.

*Affiliated*—Charles H. Churchill; Charles P. Fetzing; Isaac Graetz; W. H. Haynes; E. W. Tritt; John A. Voigt; J. L. Williams.

*Demitted*—Seaman Field; M. McCluskey; Erastus Reed; George Wingfield.

*Died*—Louis Hertz; R. H. Nash; Edward Quigg.

*Expelled*—J. L. Woolsey (f. c.)

## MOUNT MORIAH LODGE, No. 77.

*Port Hudson, East Feliciana, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Troth, R W.....	W M	Bloom, L.....	Secretary
Carter, A G.....	S W	Caldwell, John C.....	S D
Fuqua, J W.....	J W	Chiek, R.....	J D
Flenacher, Joseph....	Treasurer	Sewell, C. T.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Atkinson, L G	Gibbons, J H	Marsh, M
Argo, John C	Haynes, H H	McConley, L P
Chatham, R	Harbour, P J	Northern, T N
Cain, D P	Huston, Eli F	Purnell, G W
Chisholm, J R	Hunt, D W D	Richardson, Wm
Godbold, G P	Kuhn, Simon	Raby, S H
Griffith, J C	Munson, Robert	Sanders, J G

Total—29.

*Initiated*—L. Bloom; D. W. D. Hunt; J. L. Smith.*Passed*—L. Bloom; E. F. Huston; D. W. D. Hunt; John Aburger*Raised*—L. Bloom; E. F. Huston; D. W. D. Hunt.*Affiliated*—L. P. McConley.*Died*—R. Chatham.

## ORLEANS LODGE, No. 78.

*Grand Lodge, Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets, New Orleans.*

## OFFICERS.

Chellet, Jos*.....	W M	Crocker, J B.....	Secretary
Hufft, C F.....	S W	Dick, J F.....	S D
Hunter, D.....	J W	Bridges, C C.....	J D
Pomet, G G.....	Treasurer	Wolf, B J.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Auchmuty, S P	Hoge, E E	Prophet, Ed
Allabough, J R	Jonte, C V	Quant, A
Bruenn, Z	Kelley, S L	Rodgers, J
Brewster, B S	Kohler, F	Roth, Jacob
Bevan, Geo	Kearney, J F	Rosenthal, P
Bell, John	Kaiser, L	Rosenburgh, N
Bigniole, C	Langenbecker, C	Ray, John
Berwin, M	Lambert, H B	Revis, H H
Briggs, N C	Louis, C D	Salomon, E
Cain, L B	Moreira, J P	Stewart, J C
Churchill, S B	Morton, J F	Stevenson, R
Collins, L E	McKee, J	Soellner, J A
Dostie, A P	Monroe, J T	Smith, W M
Donnaud, A	Martinez, J	Thomas, G W
Dolson, C L	Merrifield, H C	Thompson, Jas
Daily, J R	Maillot, J	Watson, J C
Frisby, S H A	Mackey, J G	Weston, W D
Fenkel, B	Mitchell, E P	Wood, Elias
Gould, J	Meyerdiecks, F	Ward, John
Goodrich, H	Nimick, J	Walsh, Jas
Heide, J L	Newman, C	White, Samuel jr
Holmes, W H	Payne, B H	Winslow, J M
Holden, I S	Porter, J A	Wood, George
Hebert, V	Panson, M	
Hooper, Geo	Pridham, N C	

Total—81.

\* Tried and Expelled by the Grand Lodge, February 17th, 1860, for Gross Unmasonic Conduct.

*Initiated*—Ed. Prophet; A. Quant.

*Passed*—S. H. A. Frisby; D. Hunter; C. D. Louis; Ed. Prophet; A. Quant; H. H. Revis.

*Raised*—S. H. A. Frisby; D. Hunter; C. D. Louis; Ed. Prophet; A. Quant; H. H. Revis.

*Affiliated*—F. Meyerdiecks.

*Demitted*—S. P. Auchmuty; John Bell; C. Bigniole; A. P. Dostie; W. H. Holmes; V. Hebert; J. G. Mackey.

*Died*—H. B. Lambert; J. Martinez.

*Stricken from the Roll*—H. B. Payne.

## ST. JOSEPH LODGE, No. 79.

*St. Joseph, Texas Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Stampley, S B.....	W M	Lewis, Reeve.....	Secretary
Aroni, Julius.....	S W	Brown, Mark N.....	S D
Stampley, V W.....	J W	Thornburg, Jno R.....	J D
King, Robt.....	Treasurer	Gillespie, A B.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Andrews, James	Farrar, T P	Reeves, L V
Alexander, Peter	Farrar, E D	Routh, J K
Bantz, Wm	Ford, W D	Routh, H
Bondurant, A	Harris, J P	Snyder, R H
Bondurant, John	Haas, M	Smith, John R
Bondurant, Horace	Maxwell, W D	Scott, C P
Barnes, Francis	Montgomery, B F	Snodgrass, J W
Brown, A F	McCrane, J S	Stampley, J Z
Barkhan, J H	Montgomery, G W	Tullis, Eli
Beck, Wm A	Powell, J J	Williams, G W
Clinton, Thos P	Pearson, W H	
Friar, W J	Powell, J E	
		Total—42.

*Initiated*—W. A. Beck; Kirk Espy; John R. Thornburg.

*Passed*—W. A. Beck; T. P. Clinton; Kirk Espy; J. R. Thornburg.

*Raised*—W. A. Beck; T. P. Clinton; Jno. R. Thornburg.

*Died*—Wm. D. Ford.

## DE WITT CLINTON LODGE, No. 80.

*Marion, Union Parish, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Newton, J. ....	W M	Traylor, F M. ....	Secretary
Wallace, J B. ....	S W	George, B F. ....	S D
Robinson, S L. ....	J W	Robinson, M C. ....	J D
Loper, J J. ....	Treasurer	Towns, R R. ....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bryant, R J	Defee, G	Russell, J W
Cooper, M C	Grisham, J	Sims, John
Cooper, H	George, E	Thomas, B B
Cooper, W D	Goldsby, M W	White, J A
Cooper, T S	Lupo, J J	White, N T
Cooper, L	Puckett, D	Total—25.

*Initiated*—F. M. Traylor.*Passed*—F. M. Traylor.*Raised*—F. M. Traylor.*Demitted*—John Sims; M. W. Goldsby.*Died*—D. Puckett.*Stricken from the Roll*—R. J. Bryant; J. J. Lupo.*Expelled*—D. Puckett.

## MOUNT VERNON LODGE, No 83.

*Logansport, De Soto Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Martin, J W. ....	W M	Tharpe, Geo A. ....	Secretary
White, Joseph W. ....	S W	Cody, N B. ....	S D
Norris, John, Jr. ....	J W	Armor, Geo G. ....	J D
Norris, John, Senr. ....	Treasurer	Hickey, L J. ....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Adams, Joseph	Douglas, G W	Sinclair, J B
Baldwin, T B	Dobbs, John	Truax, A M
Booker, Enoch	Hickey, A B	White, Wyley
Boyd, W H	Plunkett, A N	Williams, James
Boyd, B E	Palmer, J M N	
Cuthbertson, John	Pyles, James	Total—24



*Initiated*—B. E. Boyd; N. B. Cody; A. B. Hickey; Silas C. Jackson; W. H. Lindsay; J. W. Phelps.

*Passed*—B. E. Boyd; N. B. Cody; A. B. Hickey; W. H. Lindsay; Noah Smith.

*Raised*—B. E. Boyd; N. B. Cody; A. B. Hickey.

*Affiliated*—Joseph Adams; W. H. Boyd; John Dobbs; A. M. Truax.

*Demitted*—Enoch Booker; John Dobbs; A. M. Truax.

## OLIVER LODGE, No. 84.

*Alexandria, Rapides Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Hyman, Wm B. ....	W M	Legras, Rosemond...	Secretary
Barrett, Geo W... ..	S W	Westbrook, Uriah... ..	S D
Levin, Julius.....	J W	Ridge, W S.....	J D
Weil, Benjamin.....	Treasurer	Dammon, W O.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Abadie, Louis	Fulton, B F	Ogden, O N
Baillio, Landry	Gillespie, S	Osborne, Henry
Barlow, J H C	Gossens, L	Paul, M Jr
Cazabat, A	Haygood, S B	Shaw, D W
Clifton, John	Hitchborn, F P	Walden, C H
Cade, Stephen M	Irving, Jacob	Wise, Jas C
Calvit, Wm N	Klotz, Henry	Weil, Edward
Calvit, Coleman M	Lewis, Jno C	Waul, E J
Calvit, Jas A	Levy, Isaac	Total—34

*Initiated*—Wm. N. Calvit; F. P. Hitchborn; Chas. Hilbron.

*Passed*—Wm. N. Calvit; C. M. Calvit; F. P. Hitchborn.

*Raised*—Wm. N. Calvit; C. M. Calvit; F. P. Hitchborn.

*Affiliated*—Stephen M. Cade; Jas. A. Calvit; Jno. C. Lewis; Isaac Levy; R. Legras; U. Westbrook; Benj. Weil.

*Demitted*—S. B. Haygood.

## LAFAYETTE LODGE, No. 87.

*Pattersonville, Parish of St. Mary, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Keys, Nelson.....	W M	Levy, Bernard.....	Secretary
Rawles, J M.....	S W	Leopold, S.....	S D
Sanders, Thos S.....	J W	Knight, Joseph.....	J D
Levy, B.....	Treasurer	Jones, D W.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Ager, Wm	McCoy, J A	Thayer, G S
Burgess, N	McMurtry, A	Wafford, J
Burnly, H	Rochel, E	Wilcoxon, Thos
Gaillet, A	Swain, M L	Total—19

*Initiated*—Josiah Berryman; L. Gougenheim; Jno. M. Rogers;  
Jas. B. Rogers.

*Affiliated*—Geo. S. Thayer.

*Demitted*—J. A. McCoy; A. McMurtry; Geo. S. Thayer.

*Died*—E. Rochel.

## MANY LODGE, No. 88.

*Many, Sabine Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Davidson, E C.....	W M	Eason, S A.....	Secretary
Montgomery, V A.....	S W	Alford, W T.....	S D
Garneo, G G.....	J W	Curtis, W R.....	J D
Stille, Joseph D.....	Treasurer	Edmonson, W H.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Alford, N B	Eason, J W	Roberts, A
Arthur, Solomon	Godwin, J J M	Stille, W B
Brown, Ed	Montgomery, P T	Sibley, R A
Baldrige, F	Morris, S H	Speight, M K
Caldwell, John	Morris, George	Thompson, M A
Cooper, George W	Rains, Isaac	West, G W
Curtis, Asa	Rutland, W R	Total—28.

*Initiated*—In 1858—W. R. Rutland; Elijah Roberts.

*Passed*—In 1858—W. R. Rutland; Elijah Roberts.

*Raised*—In 1858—Isaac Rains; W. R. Rutland.

*Demitted*—W. R. Rutland.

## CYPRESS LODGE, No. 89.

*Collinsburg, Bossier Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Turnley, J T.....	W M	Sentell, W M.....	Secretary
Sentell, G W.....	S W	Miller, Samuel.....	S D
Doles, W L.....	J W	Shaw, James S.....	J D
Cooper, N A.....	Treasurer	Hall, Wm.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Alden, Philo	Hamilton, L	Stinson, R T
Arnette, R. W	King, C R	Sentell, J B
Arick, Wm	Lorance, A B	Sentell, H V
Bennett, J W	Liverman, W B	Shippey, E A
Bush, W J	Matlock, B B	Sears, A K
Burnham, D M	McDonald, W D	Stiles, Edwin
Buzzard, J P	Nelson, B H	Strain, A C
Cross, E H	O'Neal, Elias	Sanderson, E S
Cook, E G	Potts, W C	Stinson, Joseph
Dickson, D E	Pegues, E J	Sleigh, G B
Dickson, M A	Pickett, John	Taite, John A
Doles, Z	Palmer, P A	Taylor, J L
Graham, Y J	Rodgers, Israel	Vansyckles, S
Graham, J L C	Ratcliff, B F	Walker, G H
Gambill, W B	Ridens, H T	
Higgs, S R	Roy, M	Total—54.

*Initiated*—W. L. Doles; H. B. Wheeler; J. J. Shaw.*Passed*—W. L. Doles; H. B. Wheeler; J. J. Shaw.*Raised*—W. L. Doles.*Affiliated*—J. P. Buzzard; M. Roy; G. B. Sleigh.*Demitted*—E. H. Cross; S. R. Higgs.*Died*—A. B. Lorance.

## THIBODAUX BENEVOLENT, No. 90.

*Thibodaux, Lafourche Interior, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

McLeod, A Miles.....	W M	New, Robt A.....	Secretary
Harland, John.....	S W	Dedrick, A.....	S D
Aubert, Lemuel C.....	J W	Supple, Thomas.....	J D
Williams, Chas C....	Treasurer	Smith, N H.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Atkinson, T S	Darden, R G	Moran, Edward
Beauford, J A	Dickerson, D M	Nichols, R F
Babin, O	Donalson, A J	Perkins, J S
Belcher, Clifford	Edmonson, T N	Ragan, A B
Burrows, J B	Gruenburg, C H	Thibodaux, B G
Birdsall, M	Gray, D J	Tenny, S
Conlan, Owen	Garner, G G	Tanner, W
Crawford, J M	Harris, H H	White, J C
Cole, J L	Leblanc, D	Williams, J P
Cross, Edward	Loewenstein, J M	
Christy, G W	Mead, F L	Total—39.

*Initiated*—M. Birdsall; G. G. Garner; R. F. Nichols; Thos. Supple;  
J. P. Williams; R. A. Chapman; F. M. Lawhorn.

*Passed*—M. Birdsall; G. G. Garner; R. F. Nichols; Thos. Supple;  
J. P. Williams.

*Raised*—M. Birdsall; G. G. Garner; R. F. Nichols; Thos. Supple;  
J. P. Williams.

*Affiliated*—Robert A. New.

*Died*—A. J. Donalson; Edward Moran.

*Stricken from the Roll*—J. B. Burrows.

## MONTICELLO LODGE, No. 92.

*Monticello, Carroll Parish, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Richardson, Chas B.....	W M	Richards, J S.....	Secretary
Eppes, John W.....	S W	Gaddis, Thos F.....	S D
Anderson, W T C.....	J W	Richardson, W A.....	J D
McNeill, J H.....	Treasurer	Lester, J W.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Adams, B F	Hawkins, L	Oliver, W F
Alexander, J W	Herring, J S	Oliver, Thos F
Capers, L R	Halberg, C J	Parker, W H
Currie, J A C	Imboden, Jno D	Pack, W C
Cheatham, J L	Jackson, E C	Quine, A
Dollerhide, R H	Lott, H R	Roberts, B D
Draughon, Jas W	Looney, Moses	Stewart, W T
Drew, N J	Land, L J	Saltenberer, G P
De France, P W	McKelvey, D S	Travis, D S
Eddins, Abram	Motley, C T	Vinson, Levin
Fleming, E M	Mann, F M	Walker, A J
Gaddis, Jno M	Moore, S W	Watson, J M
Humphreys, R B	Moore, Jas A	Wells, S M
Hamberlain, Jas	Neill, Samuel	
Hays, J W	Oliver, S D	Total—51.

*Initiated*—B. F. Adams; J. W. Alexander; J. L. Cheatham; A. Cawthorn; C. A. De France; J. S. Herring; E. C. Jackson; J. S. Richards; Levin Vinson.

*Passed*—B. F. Adams; J. W. Alexander; J. A. C. Currie; J. L. Cheatham; C. A. De France; J. S. Herring; E. C. Jackson; J. S. Richards; Levin Vinson.

*Raised*—B. F. Adams; J. W. Alexander; J. A. C. Currie; J. L. Cheatham; J. S. Herring; E. C. Jackson; J. S. Richards; Levin Vinson.

*Affiliated*—Thos. F. Gaddis; L. Hawkins; Thos. F. Oliver; S. M. Wells.

*Demitted*—Jas. Hamberlain.

*Died*—Jas. A. Moore; Thos. J. Holden (f. c. 1858).

*Reinstated*—W. C. Pack; A. Quine.

## NAPOLEON LODGE, No. 94.

*Marion, Union Parish, Louisiana.*

(No Returns.)

## SAINT HELENA LODGE, No. 96.

*Greensburg, St. Helena Parish, Louisiana.*

### OFFICERS.

Carter, Wm A. ....	W M	Parker, Lemuel R. ....	Secretary
Kent, Amos. ....	S W	Birch, John W. ....	S D
Thompson, J J. ....	J W	McGehee, D L. ....	J D
Addison, Ashford. ....	Treasurer	Roland, John F. ....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Allen, Chas H	Gorman, J K	Spencer, John T
Addison, Wm S	Gorman, D K	Strickland, H W
Alford, J H	George, C W	Tillery, Wm H
Bankston, D H	Hodges, R F	Thompson, D W
Bankston, H H	Jones, Thos	Thompson, J F
Bankston, Leslie	Kemp, J D	Wainwright, Caswell
Bates, Wm S	Kemp, E M	Watson, J G
Belue, Jas L	McKinney, Jephtha	Watson, B M

Brady, S A	McClendon, J B	Williams, Jas A
Burton, John G	Methvien, B G	Wilson, Julius E
Carter, W W	Methvien, J B	Womack, Abner
Corkern, John	Parker, James	Womack, J B
Carruth, R H	Parker, Wm R	Womack, A B
Dennis, Wm	Pierson, S H	Womack, Wm F
Day, D D	Strickland, C D jr	Womack, Wm Fletcher
Dillon, John P	Story, Edward	Wheat, John J
Godfrey, C R	Smith, Austin W	Warren, Jas B W
Total—59.		

*Initiated*—J. H. Alford; Chas. W. George; B. G. Methvien; J. B. Methvien; Austin W. Smith; Wm. G. Prescott; J. B. Taylor; Uriah Youngblood; T. C. W. Ellis; J. A. Richardson; D. S. Watson.

*Passed*—J. H. Alford; Charles W. George; B. G. Methvien; J. B. Methvien; John J. Wheat; Austin W. Smith; William G. Prescott; J. B. Strickland; J. B. Taylor; Uriah Youngblood; R. F. Hodges.

*Raised*—Wm. S. Addison; J. H. Alford; John G. Burton; Charles W. George; R. F. Hodges; B. G. Methvien; J. B. Methvien; Wm. Fletcher Womack; John J. Wheat; Austin W. Smith.

*Affiliated*—D. L. McGehee; H. W. Strickland; J. F. Thompson; James B. W. Warren; W. W. Carter.

*Demitted*—D. H. Bankston; H. H. Bankston; John P. Dillon.

*Died*—R. H. Carruth; James Parker; Wm. F. Womack.

### PATMOS LODGE, No. 97.

*Richmond, Madison Parish, La.*

(No Returns—Charter returned and cancelled.)

### HERMITAGE LODGE, No. 98.

*Corner of Philip and Magazine sts., New Orleans.*

#### OFFICERS.

Wilson, Daniel.....W M	Thornton, J B.....Secretary
Burden, Thos.....S W	Welch, G.....S D
Looz, Adam.....J W	Osborne, F.....J D
Hauton, Fred.....Treasurer	Deirkies, Louis.....Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Altmeyer, John	Kock, H N	Schulte, Joseph
Andrews, Samuel	Meyer, J G	Strawmeyer, John
Brown, C	Miller, John	Weser, William
Boulargue, P	Miller, C H	Weser, Adolphe
Benker, D	Oberkamp, Chas	Walz, A
Damron, Henry	Rebentish, Wm	Weber, Wm
Dowd, James	Riks, E	Werkle, Peter
Frith, J L	Small, Mathew	Weil, Samuel
Goldman, J A	Sehorn, H M	Young, Daniel
Green, J U	Schaffer, George	Zinzer, J M
Henry, William	Schoor, Thos	
Kopp, Louis	Stafford, James	Total—42.

*Initiated*—C. H. Miller; E. H. Shepardson; F. J. Blust; Rudolph Tournay; Fred. Haslap.

*Passed*—P. Boulargue; C. H. Miller; F. J. Blust; Rudolph Tournay; Richard Branus.

*Raised*—Samuel Andrews; P. Boulargue; Fred. Hanton; C. H. Miller.

*Affiliated*—J. B. Thornton.

*Demitted*—Louis Kopp.

*Died*—Joseph Schulte.

*Stricken from the Roll*—Mathew Small; George Schaffer; Daniel Young.

## HENDERSON LODGE, No. 99.

*Cotile, Rapides Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Shackleford, S B.....	W M	Richardson, Thos....	Secretary
Carnahan, M N.....	S W	Texada, Louis E.....	S D
Myers, J J.....	J W	McNeely, Thos.....	J D
James, W C.....	Treasurer	Boswell, J S.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Carnahan, John	Lee, E	Texada, J W
Crain, R A	Myers, D F	Williams, S D
Davidson, N	Richardson, W L	Woodward, J D K
Dickerson, T W	Rosenthal, Moses	Wills, J Q
Gallagher, John	Sneed, Wm	Total—22

*Initiated*—Thos. McNeely; Thos. Richardson.

*Passed*—John Gallagher; Thos. McNeely; Thos. Richardson.

*Raised*—John Gallagher; Thos. McNeely; Thos. Richardson.

*Demitted*—D. F. Myers; J. D. K. Woodward.

## FRANKLINTON LODGE, No. 101.

*Franklinton, Washington Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS

Wadsworth, John.....	W M	Morris, Jno E.....	Secretary
Wood, John R.....	S W	Pounds, J J.....	S D
Wallis, Jourdan M.....	J W	Bullock, David E.....	J D
Bickham, S W.....	Treasurer	Crow, Jno L.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Blackburn, A S	Erwin, Jas A	Parks, Alonson
Bailey, C P	Fisher, Wm	Richardson, Hardy
Booty, A C	Fisher, J C	Richardson, S D
Bullock, Wm P	Foils, Jno C	Richardson, Wm P
Burkhalter, H P	Hosmer, Wm B	Simmons, Joseph M
Bickham, Thos R	Hobgood, O M	Simmons, Josephus D
Bickham, A C	Heuman, Moses	Slocum, John J
Bennet, Simeon	Lea, James T	Spring, Henry
Burris, Jas M	Mizell, Stephen	Stringfield, D H
Babington, Robt	Mizell, John	Thomas, Hardy
Birch, Jno R	Magee, Joseph	Thomas, E B
Bouie, Angus	McLain, Kenith	Thomas, Matthew
Carpenter, J M	McCain, Edward	Thomas, James
Deez, Elzey	Morris, C B	Waskurn, P Y
Ellis, Stephen	O'Rorke, Michael	Total—52

*Initiated*—Jno. L. Crow; A. J. Clowers; A. V. Kennedy; W. W. Tally; Washington Thigpen.

*Passed*—A. C. Booty; Simeon Bennet; Jno. L. Crow; J. J. Pounds; J. M. Wallis; Green D. Slocum.

*Raised*—A. C. Booty; Wm. P. Bullock; Simeon Bennet; Jno. L. Crow; O. M. Hobgood; J. J. Pounds; James Thomas; P. Y. Waskurn; J. M. Wallis.

*Demitted*—A. C. Booty; Moses Heuman; E. B. Thomas; Isaac Bloom (F.C.); A. V. Kennedy (E.A.).

*Stricken from the Roll*—Wm. Fisher; Jas. T. Lea; Kenith McLain; Alonson Parks; Josephus D. Simmons; Hardy Thomas; Matthew Thomas.

*Reinstated*—Joseph M. Simmons.



## LOUISIANA LODGE, No. 102.

*Grand Lodge, Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts., N. O.*

## OFFICERS.

Driver, Wm C.....	W M	Boardman, Thos S.....	S D
Harris, Aaron.....	S W	Haynes, A F.....	J D
Piderit, Louis.....	J W	Binachi, N M }	.....Stewards
Nathan, George.....	Treasurer	Ralli, N }	
Morgan, Thos G.....	Secretary	Wolf, B J ( <sup>Nota</sup> <sub>member.</sub> ).....	
			Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Adams, Thos E	Hite, Geo D	Pandorf, Chas H
Barbot, J P	Horrell, B M	Pressprich, Otto
Bolles, E C	Harris, Alex'r	Parker, E T
Baldwin, A	Kuyseedt, Gersham	Rogers, Tho's Jr
Baldwin, H F	Lonsdale, Henry T	Read, R H
Bradfield, John	Mott, Robert	Slack, Wm H
Baker, John J	Mure, John	Snapp, Lewis
Clark, James	Mann, J H	Seixas, J W
Corry, F M	McKee, Robert	Schonfeldt, F W
Crawcour, J L	Macmurdo, John R	Sizer, George W
Clapp, Chas B	Morgan, P H	Strube, F W P
Doane, Harmon	Macmurdo, R L	Smith, Howard
Gardner, L H	Morgan, G M	Touro, John
Gordon, Charles	Nivens, Alex'r A	Walton, James B
Heine, Armand	Prehn, William	Yuelle, J C B

Total—54

*Initiated*—Thos. E. Adams; John Bradfield; A. F. Haynes; T. G. Morgan; G. M. Morgan; Otto Pressprich; F. W. Schonfeldt; Geo. W. Sizer; E. A. Fogle; Richard Francis; W. H. McQuithy.

*Passed*—Thos. E. Adams; H. F. Baldwin; John Bradfield; A. F. Haynes; R. L. Macmurdo; T. G. Morgan; G. M. Morgan; Otto Pressprich; E. T. Parker; F. W. Schonfeldt; G. W. Sizer; E. A. Fogle.

*Raised*—Thos. E. Adams; H. F. Baldwin; Jno. Bradfield; A. F. Haynes; R. L. Macmurdo; T. G. Morgan; G. M. Morgan; Otto Pressprich; E. T. Parker; F. W. Schonfeldt; Geo. W. Sizer.

*Affiliated*—A. Baldwin; H. F. Baldwin (E.A.); R. H. Read; F. W. P. Strube; Howard Smith.

*Demitted*—John Bradfield; J. W. Seixas; F. W. P. Strube; J. C. B. Yuelle.

*Died*—F. M. Corry.

## CLOUTIERVILLE LODGE, No. 103.

*Cloutierville, Natchitoches Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Scruggs, Samuel O.....	W M	Carnahan, John Jr.....	Secretary
Rogers, Robert S.....	S W	Norris, J W.....	S D
Moreau, Alex.....	J W	Moreau, Pierre.....	J D
Roper, John W.....	Treasurer	Carnahan, Wm.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Hortman, George	Lowe, Thomas	Myers, M	
Lamm, Emile			Total—12.

*Initiated*—John W. Roper.*Passed*—George Hortman ; Thomas Lowe ; M. Myers ; John W. Roper.*Raised*—George Hortman ; Thomas Lowe ; M. Myers ; John W. Roper.*Demitted*—Emile Lamm. In 1858—R. M. Rogers.*Stricken from the Roll*—J. Leroux.

## MOUNT LEBANON LODGE, No. 104.

*Mount Lebanon, Bienville Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

(None elected for the year 1860.)

## MEMBERS.

Brice, John	Key, M W	Rogers, James C	
Courtney, F	Key, R A	Reeves, S W	
Candler, W L	Lee, Hanson	Thurmond, C G	
Egan, B	McCasland, A J	Traylor, Joshua	
Egan, J C	Prothro, W B	Vassallo, F N	
Edins, W D B	Prescott, J Q	Walker, J H	
Holstein, G L	Pittman, J S		
Hill, A C	Rogers, G W		Total—22.

*Demitted*—B. Egan ; J. S. Pittman ; S. W. Reeves.

## TRINITY LODGE, No. 105.\*

*Trinity, Catahoula Parish Louisiana.*

## MEMBERS.

Beard, Wm	Fulton, N A	Miller, J C
Brooks, J G	Gibson, J B	Morris, T M
Bennefield, J B	Godwin, J C	Otto, John
Boatner, J H	Guilford, N	Ogden, J P
Briethaupt, T	Gibson, R G	Peebles, J
Calvert, J D	Groves, G G	Routh, F
Cotton, G T	Huntington, H	Shutzer, J
Crooks, P	Hanes, Peter	Shaw, John
Carter, E	Hughes, J C	Shlenker, S
Carter, B M	Huffman, B	Thomas, W H
Crooks, S	Keenan, Joel	Thomas, S
Campbell, Robert	Kiper, J R B	Turner, J W R
Dearmond, L H	Kinney, A B	Wooton, R G Sr
Dampier, Wm	Kiger, Peter	Wooton, R G Jr
Dale, Wm	Liddell, A J	Wooldridge, J R
Davis, A J	May, G B	Wooton, J S
		Total—48.

*Initiated*—E. H. Cobb; A. Montpelier; J. B. Stuart; F. H. Wharton.*Affiliated*—N. A. Fulton.*Demitted*—Robert Campbell.*Died*—Joel Keenan; A. B. Kinney; R. G. Wooton, Sr.*Reinstated*—N. Guilford; Henry Huntington.

## VIENNA LODGE, No. 106.

*Vienna, Jackson Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Quinn, M P.....	W M	Winfrey, A B C.....	Secretary
Calcote, J W.....	S W	Skinner, Samuel.....	S D
Skinner, A H.....	J W	Vining, J E.....	J D
Huey, John.....	Treasurer	Calcote, W C.....	Tyler

\* Returns informal. No meetings held during the year, and no officers returned.

## MEMBERS.

Barmour, H	Kinman, J M	Roland, Zeno
Ball, James	Lyles, Thos	Robertson, A
Beck, Chas	Lyles, C W	Reid, A L W
Colvin, Thos	Legett, S P	Stevens, J H
Coker, W H	McKinzie, W M	Stallings, J H
Crowe, J M	Mitchell, J B	Smith, W J
Colvin, W D	Mozelle, J O	Scarboro, P D
Dobbins, G W	Moses, S	Simonton, A C
Elliot, J M	Mayes, J L	Skinner, S C
Embry, J M	Mayes, Robt	Thompson, L H
Goodwin, R P	McLain, Jno	Tanner, T J
Huthnance, J W H	McPherson, R W	Wood, Willis
Hines, Stephen	Otts, J B	Wilder, J B
Hines, Wiley	Otts, W P	Waldron, W W
Holland, Levi	Odom, E	Warren, W B
Harrison, Wiley	O'Neil, J M	Wade, R A
Hall, Jas M	Pruett, Embry	Total—58.

*Initiated*—T. C. Coker; R. W. McPherson; A. Robertson; S. C. Skinner; J. E. Vining; Thos. Woodward.

*Passed*—R. W. McPherson; A. Robertson; S. C. Skinner; J. E. Vining.

*Raised*—Levi Holland; R. W. McPherson; A. Robertson; A. C. Simonton; S. C. Skinner; J. E. Vining.

*Affiliated*—A. B. C. Winfrey; J. M. Elliot.

*Demitted*—J. W. H. Huthnance; J. M. Elliot.

*Died*—R. A. Wade.

*Stricken from the Roll*—Embry Pruett.

*Suspended*—L. H. Thompson.

*Expelled*—Zeno Roland.

## SPARTA LODGE, No. 108.

*Sparta, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Paxton, W E.....	W M	Dubose, H N.....	Secretary
McCrary, J C.....	S W	Scheen, J H.....	S D
Oneal, E B.....	J W	Pearce, J L.....	J D
Cockerham, W S.....	Treasurer	Williamson, A.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Baker, B A	Holder, J P	Noles, O L
Blume, J B	Hines, W H	Pool, J H
Cockerham, John	Kemp, G W	Prothro, H M
Cooper, Martin	Koonce, A	Prothro, W M
Colinsworth, O M	Looney, W B	Schively, Wm
Caldwell, W M	Murphy, C H	Schively, C
Dyess, J P	Mathews, B H	Upshaw, Jas
Eldridge, L	McFarland, J P	Williamson, W A
Harrell, J A	Melton, Isaac W	Warren, E N
Head, J R	Mays, M J	Williams, D J
Holland, S L	McCoy, Gilbert	Wooley, R W
Hamilton, T H	Noles, John G	Total—43.

*Initiated*—A. Koonce; G. McCoy; W. M. Prothro; Wm. Schively; C. Schively; R. W. Wooley; A. G. Rushing; J. D. Taylor; G. Wilkerson; S. C. Prothro; John Warren. In 1858—J. P. Dyess.

*Passed*—J. P. Dyess; J. P. Holder; G. W. Kemp; A. Koonce; G. McCoy; O. L. Noles; J. L. Pearce; W. M. Prothro; Wm. Schively; C. Schively; R. W. Wooley.

*Raised*—J. P. Dyess; T. H. Hamilton; J. P. Holder; G. W. Kemp; A. Koonce; G. McCoy; O. L. Noles; J. L. Pearce; W. M. Prothro; Wm. Schively; C. Schively; D. J. Williams; A. Williamson; R. W. Wooley.

*Affiliated*—W. M. Caldwell; W. H. Hines; M. J. Mays.

*Demitted*—S. L. Holland; M. J. Mays.

## CASTOR LODGE, No. 109.

*Castor, Caldwell Parish, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

De Graffenreidt, W L.....	W M	Raymond, Wm M.....	Secretary
Erwin, B R.....	S W	Gomillion, E S.....	S D
Coates, Wm E.....	J W	Webb, Seborn.....	J D
Markham, L S.....	Treasurer	Baggents, Moses.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allen, B W	Fowler, J S	Nettles, W T
Brown, James	Franton, John	Ramsey, D B
Butler, H M	Garrett, G W	Roberts, C M
Baggents, G W	Hagard, M	Sikes, John
Bryan, Francis	Hampton, John	Steele, Wm S
Cox, Zachariah	Hargrove, W P	Thomas, D B
Coon, A F	Moffitt, G C	Womack, Wm
Clark, W A	McLeland, F	Wood, A B
Davis, N M	Morgan, W O	Total—34.

*Initiated*—C. S. Worley.

*Affiliated*—W. O. Morgan; L. S. Markham.

*Demitted*—G. W. Baggents; N. M. Davis.

*Stricken from the Roll*—A. F. Coon; J. S. Fowler; D. B. Ramsey; Wm. Womack.

*Reinstated*—G. W. Baggent; Zachariah Cox; Wm. S. Steele.

## HARRISONBURG LODGE, No. 110.

*Harrisonburg, Catahoula Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Tew, Wm M.....	W M	Griffin, Wm.....	Secretary
Wells, George H.....	S W	Conn, Abraham.....	S D
Cuny, Samuel C.....	J W	Hynes, Thomas O.....	J D
Marks, David.....	Treasurer	Lanius, Jacob.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Beaman, Carter	Hodkins, E L	Prichard, D M
Cohen, Jacob A	Hanks, Thomas W	Phillips, A R
Duke, C C	Hudnall, E F	Roach, David
Davis, A B	Kendall, Fielding	Shlenker, Isaac
Dosson, M H	Lanehart, Jesse	Small, B S
Evans, Henry	Levystein, Aaron	Sheffield, James P
Fleishman, Isaac	McCollum, W H	Sherwood, Isaac D
Green, Henry L	Mecom, Hardy,	Stamper, James M
Green, Thomas L	Mayer, Lazarus	Splawn, Eli
Green, Calvin S	McCluer, S W	
Gaulden, Wm E	Norris, R H	
		Total—39.

*Passed*—James P. Bambrick.

*Demitted*—Isaac Fleishman; Calvin S. Green.

*Stricken from the Roll*—A. B. Davis; M. H. Dosson; Fielding Kendall; S. W. McCluer.

## URIM LODGE, No. 111.

*Forksville, Ouachita Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Simpson, Thomas L..... W M	McCarter, Jas L.,... Secretary
Sheppard, Andrew W..... S W	— — — — — S D
Marks, Frank N..... J W	— — — — — J D
Puckett, Joel E..... Treasurer	Sheppard, F M..... Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Arant, Peter	Gainey, Richard	Parker, J F
Barrs, John M	Head, Daniel T	Richardson, James C
Bryan, Wm H	Harris, Wesley	Sheppard, John F
Britt, L L	Huey, Isaiah	Simmons, John T
Bishop, James M	Inabriet, John D	Simmons, W A
Bishop, Caldwell	McGeehee, J W	Stegall, John W
Butler, James J	Milling, James H	Stegall, Ben C
Calhoun, Archibald	Martin, Seneca	Simmons, John R
Craig, James A	McVickers, John	Turner, David D
Collins, Issac	McClendon, R W	Thompson, Wm
Collins, Wm A	Nobles, John H	Willson, Henry M
Dickerson, A T	Nettles, Isham R	Watson, Thomas J
Friend, Edwin	O'Neal, Mitchel	Wise, Moses
Fuller, Wm M	Patrick, Wm W	Willson, John M
		Total—48.

*Initiated*—David J. Arant.*Passed*—David D. Turner.*Raised*—David D. Turner.*Demitted*—John M. Barrs; James M. Bishop; William A. Collins; William M. Fuller; James W. McGeehee; John M. Willson.*Stricken from the Roll*—John McVickers.

## BATHOLOMEW LODGE, No. 112.

*Plantersville, Morehouse Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Washburn, A S..... W M	Greenwood, Newton S.. Secretary
McCrory, John..... S W	Faulk, John C..... S D
Hilliard, John M..... J W	Herron, D B..... J D
Simpson, Thomas.... Treasurer	Delamar, N..... Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Averiett, W J	Edwards, J H	Moore, John
Buford, Parham	Edwards, T H	Moore, Dickson
Brewer, A H	Ford, J C	Mayo, W R
Bennett, R F	Holloway, Jesse	Miller, P S
Bunckley, R P	Hawes, Samuel	Overby, H
Bussey, John F	Jones, Thos M	Pinckston, John
Bunckley, Ransom	Jackson, W R	Rhymes, W A
Busby, Z T	Jones, Willis	Richmond, A J
Baker, John W	Jones, A W	Stewart, Charles
Cole, H B	Knox, J S	Stewart, Thomas
Cammack, A J	Knox, R J	Wooten, E B
Dennard, Thos F	Kimbrough, F T	Ward, W R
Duckworth, E D	Kimbrough, G W	Worley, J C
Duckworth, J C	Kimbrough, J A	
Daniel, E L	Kelly, John	Total—51.

*Initiated*—J. C. Ford ; J. C. Faulk ; D. B. Herron ; Jas. W. Pratt ;  
— Archbell.

*Passed*—J. C. Ford ; J. C. Faulk ; D. B. Herron ; James W. Pratt.

*Raised*—J. C. Ford ; J. C. Faulk ; D. B. Herron ; J. C. Worley.

*Affiliated*—N. S. Greenwood ; Samuel Hawes ; John Pinckston ;  
W. A. Rhymes.

*Demitted*—Parham Buford ; John F. Bussey ; J. H. Edwards ; J. C.  
Ford ; F. J. Kimbrough ; John Pinckston ; E. B. Wooten.

*Died*—A. J. Cammack.

*Stricken from the Roll*—R. F. Bennett.

## THOMAS JEFFERSON LODGE, No. 113.

*Spearsville, Union Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Spears, Wm L. ....	W M	Griffin, Sidney H. ....	Secretary
Goyne, Joseph R. ....	S W	Thornton, M H. ....	S D
Harrell, B F. ....	J W	Lowe, Wm H. ....	J D
Killgore, Thomas B. ....	Treasurer	Hunt, A J. ....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Abbott, D I	Carrol, George R	McAdams, Isaac F
Cambell, M Q	Dennis, J G	McCaskell, C
Calloway, W G	Dean, Wm	Post, James M
Cobb, Samuel T	Hayes, Jeremiah	Spears, John D
Cobb, Joel M	Henderson, Wm	Spears, Joab B
Cobb, Hugh B	Lindsey, M J	Summers, Joab P
Cobb, Hosea	Lawrence, T P	Wamble, Henry
Clingpost, J M	Moore, Wm T	Total—31.



*Initiated*—George R. Carrol.

*Passed*—George R. Carrol ; T. P. Lawrence.

*Raised*—George R. Carrol; T. P. Lawrence.

*Affiliated*—Hosea Cobb; T. P. Lawrence (E. A.); Joab P. Summers.

*Demitted*—W. G. Calloway ; J. G. Denniss ; M. J. Lindsey. In 1858—C. S. Lee; J. P. Morrison.

## FRIENDSHIP LODGE, No. 114.

*Woodville, Jackson Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Howell, C N.....	W M	McCullough, C.....	Secretary
Conger, Jephtha.....	S W	Howell, N N.....	S D
Redwine, M C.....	J W	McKee, J W.....	J D
Battle, J E.....	Treasurer	Madden, Jno C.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Bond, W F	Jones, J W	Sherrard, R J
Campbell, Thos	Jones, A H	Smith, B F
Davis, R E	Jackson, Edw'd	Tarver, R M
Garner, S A	Knight, Nat	Tatum, H
Gray, J H	Lane, O S	Tatum, J A
Harden, Calvin	Polk, T R	Tribble, E
Hemphill, T	Payne, Thos	Tannyhill, D M
Harris, E W	Russ, R E	Williams, Martin
		Total—32

*Initiated*—J. W. McKee; C. McCullough; J. A. Tatum; E. Tribble.

*Passed*—J. W. McKee; C. McCullough; J. A. Tatum; E. Tribble.

*Raised*—J. W. McKee; C. McCullough; J. A. Tatum; E. Tribble.

*Affiliated*—C. N. Howell; Calvin Harden; Jno. C. Madden; Edwd. Jackson.

*Demitted*—Thos. Campbell; R. E. Davis; S. A. Garner; Calvin Harden; T. Hemphill; E. W. Harris; J. W. Jones; A. H. Jones; Nat. Knight; H. Tatum; J. A. Tatum; D. M. Tannyhill.

## SHREVEPORT LODGE, No. 115.

*Shreveport, Caddo Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Ritchie, Vincent.....	W M	Gilmore, J B.....	Secretary
Jones, J W.....	S W	Jacobs, Benj'n.....	S D
McWilliams, J G.....	J W	Marshall, A W.....	J D
Stacey, A J.....	Treasurer	Knox, Levin.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Beck, Wm C	Haber, S	Sutton, J V
Brownlee, J H	Hudgins, H P	Shaffner, A
Beall, A J	Ivey, W A	Scoggins, B T
Cook, Robt	Lindsay, R H	Simpson, T R
Carnes, Raymond S	McLelland, J N	Thompson, J D
Crain, Law P	McLaughlin, Jos	Williamson, Geo
Dunnam, M A	McWilliams, Wm	Watson, M
Eakin, D W	Martin, J W	Waldron, F M
Eberstadt, Edw'd	Mullhaupt, F H	Wasson, J B
Folsome, W M	Pitts, T H	Waller, T C
Hotchkiss, T P	Robeson, Wm	Weisner, W B
Howerton, H	Slaughter, A	Yates, A A
Hunsicker, H	Shoemaker, Wm R	Total—46

*Initiated*—Edwd. Eberstadt; J. B. Gilmore; F. H. Mulhaupt; Wm. Robeson; A. Shaffner; T. C. Waller; W. C. Tyffe; D. T. Davall; E. B. Marlin.

*Passed*—Edwd. Eberstadt; J. B. Gilmore; F. H. Mulhaupt; Wm. Robeson; A. Shaffner; A. J. Stacey; T. C. Waller.

*Raised*—Edwd. Eberstadt; J. B. Gilmore; H. P. Hudgins; Wm. McWilliams; F. H. Mulhaupt; Wm. Robeson; A. Shaffner; A. J. Stacey; T. C. Waller.

*Affiliated*—A. J. Beall; Raymond S. Carnes; L. Knox; Jos. McLaughlin; A. W. Marshall; J. W. Martin; J. V. Sutton; J. B. Wasson; W. B. Weisner; A. A. Yates; B. T. Scoggins; Wm. C. Beck.

*Demitted*—A. J. Beall.

*Died*—Law. P. Crain.

## ACACIA LODGE, No. 116.

*Plaquemine, Iberville Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Marcot, John.....	W M	Jumel, Allen.....	Secretary
Arcenaux, E A.....	S W	Marionaux, Belfort.....	S D
Breaux, Jos A.....	J W	Blanchard, Antoine.....	J D
Boote, Wm R.....	Treasurer	Chauvin, J.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Browne, H S	Hennings, H E	Testard, J E
Blanchard, J S	Landry, Magloire	Toffier, Antoine
Commeaux, J J	Lauve, Gustave	Troxclair, George
Gotcher, J S	Orcutt, Ira E	Warden, Samuel
Hebert, P O	Savory, Ira J	Wynn, E G
Hall, B R	St. Amant, Arthur	
Hall, Alfred	Schmalinski, S	Total—27

*Initiated*—J. A. Breaux; Alfred Hall; J. H. Canady; Chas. Marionaux; C. Oscar Hebert; Albert Lauve; Bobt. J. Mims; Jacob McWilliams; Evan Skelly; J. Smith Tuttle.

*Passed*—J. A. Breaux; Alfred Hall; J. H. Canady; Charles Marionaux.

*Raised*—J. S. Blanchard; J. A. Breaux; Alfred Hall.

*Affiliated*—Belfort Marionaux.

*Demitted*—J. E. Testard.

## MILFORD LODGE, No. 117.

*Manzac Settlement, East Baton Rouge, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Bixler, J B.....	W M	Comaux, J D.....	Secretary
Freeman, J J.....	S W	Delaune, James.....	S D
Keller, G W.....	J W	Abramson, H.....	J D
Turner, Wm.....	Treasurer	Tarleton, J T.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Aucoin, P	Dixon, A	Pryme, F E
Adams, O	Dixon, M	Parish, R D
Adams, J Q	Dixon, E A	Piker, J F
Burnett, W L	Doiron, E	Smith, T M
Brown, T W	Felder, O H	Singeltary, T J
Brown, T Z	Garig, George	Webb, C C
Brown, Wm	Hampton, J S	Wilkerson, J P
Coleman, E	Harbour, B T	
Denham, Joe	Lusk, H	Total—33.

*Initiated*—Joe Block; J. S. Chambers; Joe Denham; B. T. Harbour; H. Lusk; Samuel Webb.

*Passed*—Joe Denham; B. T. Harbour; H. Lusk

*Raised*—Joe Denham; O. H. Felder; B. T. Harbour; H. Lusk.

*Affiliated*—J. P. Wilkerson.

*Demitted*—E. Coleman. In 1857—James Delery.

*Suspended*—R. D. Parish.

### TERRYVILLE LODGE, No. 118.

*Quay P. O., Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.*

(No Returns.)

### CONSTANTINE LODGE, No. 119.

*Waterproof, Tensas Parish, La.*

#### OFFICERS.

Womack, J P.....	W M	Reed, J A.....	Secretary
Smokey, J J.....	S W	Clifton, D C.....	S D
Fischel, S.....	J W	Hughes, W G.....	J D
Brown, G M.....	Treasurer	Vick, A J.....	Tyler

#### MEMBERS.

Adams, J D	Guice, J	Miller, P H
Andrews, Mark	Hall, T C	Murray, J G D
Brown, H M	Hendry, M	Preston, Z
Baker, F M	Huggins, W D	Penny, J H
Brannin, R	Hunsicker, J	Powell, D C
Benedict, T B	Jump, P	Powell, James J
Dieffenwierth, P H	Jolly, C	Roy, A J
Drake, H W	Lynch, W F	Royillio, M L
Griffin, T J	Murphy, N	Reed, L A
Gorton, J	Matthews, P H	Trueman, H G
Gorton, F A	McCullough, J	Trueman, J M
Griswold, E P	McCullough, H	Wise, D
Gordon, W C	McBride, R W	Weast, G W

Total—47.

*Initiated*—J. A. Reed; Mason Torrey; E. Cochran; E. P. Collins; H. B. Frazee; H. B. Hudron; P. Hunter, Jr.; John J. Powell; W. W. Richardson.

*Passed*—J. A. Reed; W. F. Flynn; Mason Torrey.

*Raised*—D. C. Powell; J. A. Reed.

*Affiliated*—Mark Andrews; T. B. Benedict; James J. Powell.

*Demitted*—P. H. Matthews; R. W. McBride.

*Died*—J. Guice; J. McCullough

## DEERFIELD LODGE, No. 120.

*Deerfield, Carroll Parish, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Callaway, John H.....	W M	Trezevant, Geo W....	Secretary
Doggett, Ward T.....	S W	Trezevant, J P.....	S D
McDonald, Joel.....	J W	Munholland, Moses.....	J D
Scott, Warren M.....	Treasurer	Armstrong, Alex.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Balf, N S	Mabin, W J	Simms, Leroy
Cater, Geo R	Mabin, Isaac	Slider, Chas R
Carroll, James	McKay, Wm	Stevens, Wm H
Eddins, Wm B	Mosely, John W	Stovall, Josiah L
Holly, John D	Oliver, Thos F	Wolf, Joseph H
Horn, John	Purvis, Wm C	Wright, Jacob
Total—26.		

*Raised*—Wm. B. Eddins.*Demitted*—John Horn; Jno. W. Mosely; Thos. F. Oliver. In 1858—  
L. M. Munholland.*Died*—James Carroll.

## LISBON LODGE, No. 121.

*Lisbon, Claiborne Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Carpenter, E.....	W M	Elliott, R L.....	Secretary
Lesley, W J.....	S W	Tait, J M.....	S D
Tait, C H.....	J W	Cook, James.....	J D
Pennington, T H.....	Treasurer	Aiken, John.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brooks, J C	Garlington, M D	Robinson, S M
Coleman, W G	Garlington, S S	Sparks, E
Coleman, T B	Hester, W D	Tatum, Seth
Coleman, B R	Kimball, G W	Waugh, G W
Cross, W H	Lay, L R	Williams, J H
Duke, J J	Mitchell, W P	Total—25.

*Initiated*—S. S. Garlington; S. O. Thomas.*Passed*—S. S. Garlington; S. O. Thomas.*Raised*—S. S. Garlington; L. R. Lay.*Affiliated*—R. L. Elliott; W. J. Lesley.*Stricken from the Roll*—In 1858—Eli Harris; W. W. Todd.

## MACKEY LODGE, No. 122.

*Ringgold, Bienville Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Cawthon, J D.....	W M	Kolb, Alex J.....	Secretary
Theus, J C.....	S W	Ross, Guy.....	S D
Shehee, T S.....	J W	Cawthon, G W.....	J D
Shehee, H D.....	Treasurer	Williams, David.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allums, B S	Cotter, W H	Prothro, T L
Allums, W D	Caldwell, J A	Scott, J H
Brown, H T	Davis, W G	Stiles, Richard
Bryan, James	Davis, E W	Thomas, J B
Bryan, J B	Martin, W A	Tooke, J J
Bryan, T C	Monroe, Jas	Watts, J C
Cawthon, W M D	McDuffie, G W	Walker, J W
Cawthon, A T	Manning, B M	Total—31.

*Initiated*—J. J. Cawthon.*Affiliated*—W. A. Martin; J. W. Walker.*Demitted*—A. T. Cawthon; W. G. Davis.

## LIBERTY LODGE, No. 123.

*Keachi, De Soto Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Horn, C N.....	W M	Wood, Frank E.....	Secretary
Caffey, A J.....	S W	Matthews, E M.....	S D
King, E C.....	J W	Cater, W G.....	J D
Hall, Elias.....	Treasurer	Adams, H C.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Atkins, J G	Holmes, Robert	Sample, T C
Abington, T W	Headrick, George	Sanders, W J
Boney, W G	Hudnall, J W	Scogin, L G
Britton, T W	Lacy, W A	Thompson, D
Blair, J D	Land, S L	Turner, W M
Coty, T D	McNamara, M	Tharp, T G A
Foster, Flavel	Rochelle, J L	Thomas, J M
Gatlin, T M	Rochelle, T W	Wells, D S
Guill, Josiah	Scogin, T L	
Graves, Y W	Stanley, W G	Total—36.

*Initiated*—H. C. Adams; J. D. Blair; Julius A. Jones; E. M. Matthews; James H. Small; J. M. Thomas; James M. Williams.

*Passed*—H. C. Adams; J. D. Blair; E. M. Matthews; James H. Small; J. M. Thomas; James M. Williams.

*Raised*—H. C. Adams; J. D. Blair; E. M. Matthews; J. M. Thomas.

*Affiliated*—T. D. Coty; Y. W. Graves; E. C. King; T. G. A. Tharp; A. J. Caffey.

*Demitted*—T. W. Britton.

*Died*—J. L. Rochelle.

*Stricken from the Roll*—S. L. Land.

## KELLERTOWN LODGE, No. 124.

*Kellertown, East Feliciana, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Norwood, A J.....	W M	Reily, S W.....	Secretary
Reily, Joseph C.....	S W	Freeman, Z.....	S D
Ramsey, James A.....	J W	Norwood, S J.....	J D
Coleman, E N.....	Treasurer	Stanley, W H.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Bankston, Aaron	Hughes, Wm	Palmer, M W
Bethany, R F	James, John	Redhead, Joseph
Culbreath, A R	Jeter, S L	Robinson, H D
Ceffert, Charles T	McGraw, Thos L	Roberts, R W
Casey, Zadok	McCraine, A	Roberts, H D
Cobbs, Silas A	McNeil, Charles	Sellers, J C
Cason, James H	McQueen, Norman	Singletary, J L
Delee, Charles P	Matthews, Jesse A	Smith, J B
Dickey, David N	Nesmith, F J	Stafford, S W
Gayle, L G	Palmer, R P	Tousineau, D
Gore, Clement	Palmer, C S	Worsham, James H
Graves, Benjamin	Palmer, L A	White, John A
Graves, Thomas J	Pemble, Thos W.	Wood, Charles
Hunt, James M	Palmer, W F	Williams, M B
Hunt, Wm W	Pemble, R J	Total—52.

*Initiated*—James H. Cason; Charles P. Delee; David N. Dickey; Jesse A. Matthews; James A. Ramsey; R. L. Johns; J. E. Montgomery.

*Passed*—J. H. Cason; Charles P. Delee; David N. Dickey; Jesse A. Matthews; James A. Ramsey.

*Raised*—Silas A. Cobb; James H. Cason; Charles P. Delee; David N. Dickey; Jesse A. Matthews; James A. Ramsey.

*Affiliated*—A. R. Culbreath; James H. Cason; L. G. Gayle; S. L. Jeter; F. J. Nesmith; Thomas W. Pemble; Robert J. Pemble; J. C. Sellers.

## PEARL RIVER LODGE, No. 125.

*Line Academy, Washington Parish, Louisiana—Fordsville, P. O., Mississippi.*

## OFFICERS.

Warren, Wm C.....	W M	Ford, Joseph M.....	Secretary
Harvey, A A.....	S W	Fornea, Thos J.....	S D
Seale, Joseph C.....	J W	Hardy, Absalom.....	J D
Rankin, Wm M.....	Treasurer	Warren, D R.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Adams, S W	Fornea, J A	Rankin, J W
Adams, W H	Fortenbury, W G	Rials, Hardy
Amacker, J A	Humphrey, B H	Rouse, C R
Ard, Jas F	Johnson, H W	Rester, W
Ard, Joseph	Magee, Liah	Rials, J B
Byrd, D S	Moody, John	Simmons, Wm
Baxter, James	Newman, J B	Smith, James
Daniel, Robt	Pearson, Isaac	Smith, J E
Forbes, A J	Pigott, N W	Tate, T A J
Forbes, N C	Pigott, Isaac N	Vince, R W
Ford, J W	Rankin, W J	Warren, S J
Ford, Watson	Rankin, G W	Total—43.

*Initiated*—T. J. Bullock; N. McKenzie; H. Rials; H. Smith; R. W. Vince.

*Passed*—T. J. Bullock; N. McKenzie; H. Rials; H. Smith; R. W. Vince.

*Raised*—H. Rials; R. W. Vince.

*Demitted*—H. W. Johnson.

*Reinstated*—J. E. Smith.

## ARCADIA LODGE, No. 126.\*

*Arcadia, Bienville Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Searcy, R M.....	W M	Wheaton, R J.....	Secretary
Brown, Samuel.....	S W	Field, Wm J.....	S D
Butler, John R.....	J W	Harrell, John.....	J D
Henderson, P.....	Treasurer	Gray, John F.....	Tyler

\* Received since closing of the Grand Lodge, and not reported on by the Committee.



## MEMBERS.

Aswell, B W	Cox, B	Murphy, Richard
Brice, James	Deloney, M	McGuire, Thomas
Buys, James	Givens, J A H	McGuire, James A
Billings, E	Givens, W T	Moore, Washington
Baker, Darius	Givens, John D	Powell, John A
Clement, J C	Mitchell, B S	Rich, Joseph
Cobb, Ira G	Mitchell, F L	Smart, S S
Clampit, G N	Matthews, A A	Tilley, William
		Total—32.

*Initiated*—Richard Murphy.

*Passed*—Richard Murphy.

*Raised*—Richard Murphy.

*Affiliated*—B. Cox ; John A. Powell.

*Demitted*—James Buys ; S. S. Smart.

## SPRINGHILL LODGE, No. 127.

*Springhill Church, Union Cross Roads, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Martin, James A.....	W M	Hopkins, J W.....	Secretary
Wood, O P.....	S W	Everett, Rev J P.....	Chaplain
Caskey, A F.....	J W	Goldsby, P R.....	S D
Creath, J A.....	Treasurer	Caskey, S P.....	J D
Garner, T J.....	Tyler.		

## MEMBERS.

Andrews, J T B	Green, J H	McBride, D
Buckley, H L	Gully, H C	Pistole, A
Caskey, J W	Gully, S L	Pickel, W J
Caskey, W H	Hambrick, John	Poole, W T
Caskey, J N	Harper, P C	Stripling, A G
Cammack, E E	Harper, George P	Stripling, A L
Cook, B P	Johnson, A W	Tucker, D J
Clowe, C W	Johnson, Z	Tommey, J T
Daniel, M E	Kelly, J	Watkins, James
Dawkins, D D	Moore, T L	Watkins, John
Dennis, J N	Moore, James	Watkins, D A
Everett, T M	Murphy, George W	White, J T
Eckols, J B	McFadden, T M	
Green, J E	McVicker, P H	Total—49.

*Initiated*—J. F. Gathright ; J. D. Gibson ; J. T. Tommey ; L. K. Watkins.

*Passed*—W. T. Poole; J. T. Tommey; L. K. Watkins.

*Raised*—W. T. Poole; J. T. Tommey.

*Affiliated*—P. R. Goldsby; George P. Harper; J. A. Martin; W. J. Pickel.

*Demitted*—J. N. Dennis; P. C. Harper; Z. Johnson; P. H. McVicker.

*Died*—T. M. McFadden; A. L. Stripling.

## DAWSON LODGE, No. 129.

*Scottsville, Claiborne Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Thompson, V V.....	W M	Thornton, B F.....	Secretary
Gray, S.....	S W	Moore, E.....	S D
Thompson, R E.....	J W	Haley, W H....	J D
Britton, N.....	Treasurer	Pye, B J.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Bruce, T W	Gilbert, J S	Murry, Robt
Bundy, J L	Gilbert, T J jr	Milner, Obi
Cate, J W	Hart, R J	Pursley, G T
Cate, B F	Killgore, Robt	Skinner, James
Corry, N A	Kinsey, E	Stanley, J E
Denton, Eli	Massey, A	Thompson, John C
Godley, J L	Massey, Thos	Thompson, J L
		Total—29.

*Passed*—T. W. Bruce.

*Raised*—T. W. Bruce; B. F. Cate.

*Affiliated*—J. L. Bundy; J. W. Cate; W. H. Haley; E. Kinsey.

*Demitted*—J. W. Cate; N. A. Corry; J. S. Gilbert; R. Killgore; J. L. Thompson.

*Stricken from the Roll*—James Skinner; Robt. Murry.

## SOLOMON LODGE, No. 130.

*Goodrich Landing, Pecan Grove Post Office, Carroll Parish, Louisiana.*

### OFFICERS.

Manning, A S.....	W M	Catlin, John D.....	Secretary
Sale, Johnson.....	S W	Richardson, J A.....	S D
Evans, Thos M.....	J W	Hanna, P H.....	J D
Devine, E M.....	Treasurer	Coke, W W.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Atkins, Chas	Harrold, A H	Parker, J Thos
Bell, W D	Kimball, W P	Richardson, Hugh
Bledsoe, Wm F	Mershon, Thos	Rust, B Frank
Bledsoe, Cyrus	Mershon, Wyatt	Scarborough, T C
Deeson, J S	Morgan, O J	Shaw, Henry
Deeson, W M	Morgan, O T	Skinner, N C
Goodrich, Henry	Morgan, M	Smith, A C
Goodrich, Silas	McLean, Samuel	Walker, S R

Total—32.

*Initiated*—J. D. Catlin; W. W. Coke; E. M. Devine; J. T. Parker; B. F. Rust. In 1858—J. H. Currie.

*Passed*—J. D. Catlin; W. W. Coke; E. M. Devine; J. T. Parker; B. F. Rust.

*Raised*—J. D. Catlin; W. W. Coke; E. M. Devine; J. T. Parker; B. F. Rust.

*Affiliated*—W. P. Kimball; N. C. Skinner; W. D. Bell. In 1858—A. H. Harrold.

*Demitted*—In 1858—D. F. Castleman; E. Guire.

*Died*—Thos. Mershon; Henry Shaw.

## SHILOH LODGE, No. 131.

*Shiloh, Union Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Faucher, John W.....	W M	White, J C B.....	Secretary
Fuller, S M.....	S W	Breed, Walker.....	S D
Hopkins, Wm.....	J W	Porter, Tilman.....	J D
Tubb, B.....	Treasurer	Fuller, Levi B.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Byram, Q A	Fuller, E G	Ligau, J L
Bagwell, B	Fitzgerald, W C	Leach, Jno A
Brittain, B B	Findly, L F	Moore, G W
Cranford, Jas W	Harris, A W	Oxford, A B
Clarke, J R	Heard, W C	Pleasants, R G
Callaway, A M	Huffman, R	Patrick, Thomas
Cranford, James	Heard, S S	Sutton, William
Edmunds, John	Henry, C J	Welden, J M
Edwards, Cullen	Heard, C A	Welden, W R
Fuller, Berry	Knott, J C	
Fuller, D W	Little, Micajah	

Total—39.

*Initiated*—P. Moore.

*Demitted*—James W. Cranford; J. R. Clarke; L. F. Findly; J. C. Knott; Micajah Little; Thomas Patrick.

*Stricken from the Roll*—William Sutton; J. M. Welden; W. R. Welden.

*Expelled*—Berry Fuller.

*Reinstated*—John A Leach.

## WARREN LODGE, No. 132.

*Winnsboro', Franklin Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Pettit, Joseph.....	W M	Zim, Lewis.....	Secretary
Hamilton, S G.....	S W	Head, J H.....	S D
Washburn, Miles.....	J W	Randolph, J M.....	J D
Hooter, J W.....	Treasurer	Block, H.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Cutter, Edward W	Love, J H	Osborn, A F
Chandler, R W	Merrett, Jonathan	Russell, D T
Davidson, A J	McCalep, A R	Toler, P H
Greenwell, S W	Moore, A D	Ward, L S
Greenlee, J S	Moore, J L	Wheatley, J C
Hower, N L	Moore, John	
Joyce, W H	Osborn, M S	Total—27.

*Initiated*—Joseph Bryan; Francis A. F. Harper; Thomas W. Kendrick; J. D. Thomason.

*Affiliated*—D. T. Russell; P. H. Toler.

*Died*—W. H. Joyce.

## GORDY LODGE, No. 133.

*Cheneyville, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.*

(No Returns.)

## HARRY HILL LODGE, No. 134.

*Bastrop, Morehouse Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Parsons, Sy'l G.....	W M	Harrison, B.....	Secretary
Pettiss, E B.....	S W	Higman, J W.....	S D
Monett, James.....	J W	Brodnax, J H.....	J D
Stevens, J H.....	Treasurer	Tisdale, G F (Not a member.).....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Briscoe, R B	Hinson, R M	Ross, Isaac A
Brice, W N	Hall, W T	Robinson, P C
Bobo, A J	Howell, J D	Starsney, Edward
Buntin, J L	Kemp, H B	Silbernagel, W
Brigham, J H	Knox, A A H	Swan, A A
Briscoe, J B	Matthews, J B	Todd, R B
Brodnax, T A	McFee, Wm	Trousdale, T B
Bonner, Wm	Millard, C W	Weeks, James C
Bartlett, Henry	Nosworthy, T	Worley, A T
Curtis, Henry	Pettit, James	
Collier, D S	Ross, E K W	

Total—38.

*Initiated*—Henry Bartlett; A. A. Swan; B. C. Hall; J. L. Furman.*Passed*—T. A. Brodnax; Henry Bartlett; J. D. Howell; A. A. Swan; B. C. Hall; J. L. Furman; D. H. Sellman.*Raised*—T. A. Brodnax; Henry Bartlett; J. D. Howell; A. A. Swan.*Affiliated*—William Bonner; J. H. Brodnax; C. W. Millard; P. C. Robinson; T. B. Trousdale.*Demitted*—Henry Curtis; C. W. Millard.

## PLAINS LODGE, No. 135.

*Plains Store, East Baton Rouge, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Young, H C.....	W M	Newport, R W Y.....	Secretary
Nettles, J D.....	S W	McCartney, James.....	S D
Knox, J C.....	J W	Groom, John R.....	J D
Young, R T.....	Treasurer	McLaughlin, Thos.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Black, Norman	Lilley, J Y	Ranaldson, W B
Behernes, G F	Loudon, J M	Rist, John Jr
Cole, J Warren	McRae, W D L	Rogillio, Julian
Carney, J P	McHugh, John A	Sherburne, W L
Chaney, John J	Neville, A M	Tate, Wilson
Dickson, W A	Netterville, G P	Whitaker, J B
Henderson, D J	Norwood, Eli S	Young, Wm
Jones, J W	Pennington, A J	
Kirkland, J D A	Ranaldson, L R	

Total—33.

*Initiated*—John J. Chaney.*Passed*—John J. Chaney.*Raised*—John J. Chaney.*Affiliated*—Eli S. Norwood; Julian Rogillio.*Died*—G. P. Netterville.

## ATHENS LODGE, No. 136.

*Athens, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Hays, C L.....	W M	Hundley, A L.....	Secretary
McFarland, H A.....	S W	Methoin, D J.....	S D
Payne, A H.....	J W	Leverett, W G.....	J D
Ramsey, J R.....	Treasurer	Leatherman, Thos.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brown, E A D	Hadley, John	Pate, A W
Bowlware, R P	Itchingham, A	Rainey, G M C
Cargill, D	Kennon, R M	Walker, N H
Cargill, W T	Mitchel, A	Ward, W W
Cargill, J C	Martin, N A	
Hardee, W T	Morris, Jordan	Total—24.

*Initiated*—H. A. McFarland; Jacob Bond; William Ramsey; J. E. Culver.

*Passed*—A. Itchingham; H. A. McFarland.

*Raised*—A. Itchingham; H. A. McFarland.

*Affiliated*—A. L. Hundley; Jordan Morris; A. H. Payne; G. M. C. Rainey.

*Demitted*—J. C. Cargill; John Hadley; R. M. Kennon.

## JEFFERSONIAN LODGE, No. 138.

*Jefferson Mills, Kingston P. O., De Soto Parish, La.*

[Charter surrendered and cancelled, February 17th, 1860.]

## MEMBERS.

Best, E R	Lester, B L	Scott, L F
Best, T J	Lester, T M	Scott, W C
Durham, W T	McKnight, W A	Scott, Thomas
Frierson, W S	Nelson, J M	Tomkies, L L
Graves, J A	Primm, Thomas	Tomkies, John F
Jackson, C J	Rives, G W	Walker, J W
		Total—18.

*Initiated*—J. W. Walker.

*Passed*—J. W. Walker.

*Raised*—J. W. Walker.

*Affiliated*—J. M. Nelson.

*Demitted*—W. S. Frierson.

*Died*—G. W. Rives.

*Stricken from the Roll*—W. A. McKnight.

## HOUMA LODGE, No. 139.

*Houma, Parish of Terrebonne, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Dunn, J B.....	W M	Newell, H.....	Secretary
Aycock, Joseph.....	S W	Mercer, W M.....	S D
Gagne, J A.....	J W	Fuqua, N D.....	J D
Delaporte, A J.....	Treasurer	Gagne, E O.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bisland, J R	Gray, W F	Mooring, Elias
Buford, Thos	Gagne, F	Pelton, J M
Blahut, James	Hatch, W	Phipps, David
Burk, H R	Jennings, J L	Rogers, J L
Bellson, John	Lyon, L C P	Semple, Joseph
Cage, A G	Loevienstein, H	Tennent, C
Collins, H F	Miller, J S	Viola, Hypolitte
Cage, D S	Miller, Elias	Washington, R W
		Total—32.

*Initiated*—F. W. Gatewood; A. S. Helmick.*Passed*—John Bellson; Hypolitte Viola.*Raised*—John Bellson; Hypolitte Viola.*Affiliated*—H. R. Burk.

## COOL SPRING LODGE, No. 140.

*Cool Spring Academy, Homer Post Office, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Garrett, John L.....	W M	Jarvis, A F.....	Secretary
Cleveland, R.....	S W	Burch, J E.....	S D
Nelson, J.....	J W	Brown, A H.....	J D
Collier, B.....	Treasurer	Kirkpatrick, Hugh.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Applewhite, J C	Greer, T F	Oaks, W L
Brown, T	Gordon, G H	Pool, A J
Brown, Sidney	Hawkins, R	Roberts, Wm T
Brown, McN	Johns, T J	Rowe, J J
Butler, J C	Kirkpatrick, Henry	Russell, Jas P
Camp, J W	Kennedy, J B	Robinson, Glenn
Carr, John R	Kirkpatrick, S	Richardson, W M
Dernoss, Elias	Langston, J R	Scaife, Jas M

Dernoss, H C	Loveless, M	Smith, J J
Duggan, Daniel	Mangham, J G	Turner, Jas A
Fortson, J T	Mangham, A	Tigner, Thos F
Frost, H J	Moreland, W C	Tinsley, J B
Gray, W A	McClish, J	Williams, W S
Gilmore, S H	McDaniel, T S	White, R
Gray, Elbert	McDonald, J C	Walner, James
Greer, B F		Total—54.

*Initiated*—E. Dernoss; H. C. Dernoss; D. Duggan; Hugh Kirkpatrick; J. C. McDonald; J. McClish.

*Passed*—E. Dernoss; H. C. Dernoss; D. Duggan; Hugh Kirkpatrick; J. C. McDonald; J. McClish.

*Raised*—E. Dernoss; H. C. Dernoss; D. Duggan; J. C. Butler; Hugh Kirkpatrick; J. C. McDonald; J. McClish.

*Affiliated*—B. Collier; R. Hawkins; A. J. Pool; W. M. Richardson; J. B. Tinsley; R. White; Jas. Walner.

*Demitted*—B. F. Greer; T. F. Greer; Elbert Gray; Henry Kirkpatrick; A. Mangham; W. L. Oaks; T. J. Johns; W. S. Williams.

*Died*—B. F. Greer.

*Suspended*—Jas. G. Mangham.

## HUNTINGTON LODGE, No. 141.

*Minden, Claiborne Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Spencer, A.....	W M	Rossman, Walter.....	Secretary
Griggs, G R.....	S W	Ratcliffe, Isaiah.....	S D
Canfield, F M.....	J W	Doyle, D B.....	J D
Chaffe, John.....	Treasurer	Fay, E H.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Blackburn, W J	Doyle, P R	Hodges, E W
Bruton, B F	George, A B	Holly, N
Canfield, J M	Grey, Simcon	Leary, Calvin
Culpepper, S W	Grey, Josiah	Montgomery, A V
Colbert, A J	Hamilton, J B	Quarles, J W
Dortch, J N	Hamilton, D B	Shields, W
Dean, T J	Hardy, C I	Saunders, Thos
Doyle, S W	Hodges, E K	Total—31.

*Initiated*—Thos. Saunders.

*Passed*—Thos. Saunders.

*Raised*—Thos. Saunders.

*Affiliated*—D. B. Hamilton; E. W. Hodges; N. Holly.



## HOME LODGE, No. 142.

*New Orleans, Louisiana.*

[United with Alpha Lodge, No. 72, December 13th, 1859.]

## MEMBERS.

Anderson, John	King, George	Poland, Frederick
Batchelor, J C	Kent, James	Richards, F
Batchelor, S S	Knight, G F	Savage, Richard
Beattie, Wm	Krantz, John	Simpson, George
Burt, David	Lunn, Thomas	Stanley, R W
Barrett, J T	Lemley, D	Sweeney, James
Bateman, C	McNeil, Hugh	Smith, S B
Crofton, Robert	McNeil, Duncan	Traube, Louis
Drews, Wm	McNeil, Alex	Willson, Wm W
Douglas, J A	Michell, J J	Welch, Mark
Hilger, C L	McNamee, James	Weidt, Charles
Heiner, Jacob	Melville, Wm	
Hoffman, James	Olsen, Frederick	Total—37.

*Initiated*—J. A. Douglas ; S. B. Smith ; L. McDonald ; A. Molzen ; C. Evans.

*Passed*—J. A. Douglas ; John Krantz ; S. B. Smith ; L. McDonald.

*Raised*—J. A. Douglas ; John Krantz ; S. B. Smith.

*Affiliated*—Frederick Poland.

*Demitted*—D. Lemley ; Frederick Poland ; William W. Willson ; Mark Welch.

*Died*—James McNamee.

## DOWNSVILLE LODGE, No. 143.

*Downsville, Union Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Stinson, George A.....	W M	Larche, Savory O....	Secretary
Raley, Charles H.....	S W	Farmer, B F.....	S D
Hammond, Mathew.....	J W	Hinton, John.....	J D
Woodward, John E..	Treasurer	Carter, John.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Auld, J W	Greer, T J	Mixon, J S
Barnes, Wm	Honeycutt, Austin	Mattox, W B
Callaway, W S	Honeycutt, Alvin	Stinson, H F
Callaway, J C	Jones, Gilbert	Shultz, John
Downs, H D	Larche, Lucien	Taylor, Elias
Ellis, Benjamin	McMillen, Alex	
Glaze, S J	McFarland, M	Total—27.

*Initiated*—Wm. Greer ; S. D. Aswell ; V. Graham.

*Passed*—Wm. Greer ; D. L. Hicks ; Thomas Mills.

*Raised*—Mathew Hammond.

*Affiliated*—J. W. Auld ; John C. Callaway ; Austin Honeycutt ; W. B. Mattox ; John Shultz ; Elias Taylor.

*Demitted*—S. J. Glaze.

*Died*—Alexander McMillen.

## OCEAN LODGE, No. 144.

*Marigny Buildings, Levee street, Third District, New Orleans.*

### OFFICERS.

Warner, J P.....	W M	Letten, J A.....	Secretary
Barth, G.....	S W	Long, Webster.....	S D
Goetz, Charles.....	J W	Low, Wm.....	J D
Millsbaugh, H.....	Treasurer	Bray, T W.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Anderson, R	England, R	Marks, A
Anfoux, O	Fleischer, J C	Men, Peter
Andrews, G	Goldman, A	Neil, Thomas
Barnett, Edward	Grote, Lewis	Peterson, M
Bell, Thomas	Heation, John	Pearce, Joseph
Bourges, Alf	Howe, George	Power, J C
Boyne, M	Henningsen, J C	Reinhardt, L
Ber, Henry	Hanson, M	Raymond, J M
Bugel, Fred	Higgins, J C	Smith, Wm
Bell, John	Kohn, Leon	Schneider, P
Boster, Charles	King, W H	Tracy, Michael
Bunck, A	Lewis, J H	Ungerer, J J
Caillat, H	Lelienthal, B J	Weeks, Charles
Clark, Wm	Marshall, R J	Wessell, D P
Cooper, Joseph	Magner, Joseph	Wright, Henry
Connor, Thomas	Meekins, R L	Williams, Peter
Diggs, Joseph	McClellan, John	Yorston, Robert
Duquercon, A	Minott, J B	Total—61.

*Initiated*—Peter Men ; P. Schneider ; O. P. Church ; H. Geisecke ; William Howe ; N. J. Hoey ; A. Ohse ; William Smith ; Charles Thomas.

*Passed*—Peter Men ; Thomas Neil ; J. C. Power ; P. Schneider ; O. P. Church ; H. W. Westholz.

*Raised*—T. W. Bray ; A. Marks ; Peter Men ; Thomas Neil ; J. C. Power ; P. Schneider.

*Affiliated*—John Bell ; Charles Boster ; A. Bunck ; A. Duquercon ; Lewis Grote ; W. H. King ; Robert Yorston.

*Demitted*—H. Caillat ; J. C. Henningsen ; Joseph Pearce ; J. J. Ungerer ; D. P. Wessell.

## HOPE LODGE, No. 145.

*Vermillionville, Lafayette Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Girard, M E.....	W M	Brandt, Wm.....	Secretary
Caffery, J J.....	S W	Bailey, Abijah.....	S D
Martin, A V.....	J W	Martin, V D.....	J D
Voorhies, H F.....	Treasurer	Couret, L.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Arceneaux, P S	Dugat, R	Martin, A
Bailey, Adolphe	Eastin, H	Mouton, A
Colbourrat, C	Ervin, W B	Mouton, C H
Daigle, F	Higginbotham, N	Mouton, Wm
Dufour, A	Levy, S	Richard, A

Total—23.

*Initiated*—L. Couret.*Passed*—L. Couret; Wm. Mouton.*Raised*—L. Couret; Wm. Mouton.*Demitted*—N. Higginbotham; S. Levy.*Died*—A. Richard.

## SILENT BROTHERHOOD LODGE, No. 146.

*Coushatta Chute, Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Armistead, F L.....	W M	Hailey, A B.....	Secretary
Murph, J E.....	S W	Clark, Samuel.....	S D
Wynn, G W.....	J W	Franklin, G.....	J D
Armistead, W W....	Treasurer	Lee, B S.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Gandy, Evanda	Jones, Geo W	Stallings, M H
Hammett, R E	Lisso, A M	Wilson, J T
Harville, Hardin	McInnis, D F	
Hovey, David	Rowland, M	

Total—18.

*Initiated*—Evanda Gandy; Zachariah Childers; Julius Lisso.*Passed*—Evanda Gandy; Zachariah Childers.*Raised*—Evanda Gandy.*Affiliated*—R. E. Hammett; David Hovey; M. Rowland; M. H. Stallings; J. T. Wilson.*Died*—In 1858—L. D. Cowdin.

## ANACOCO LODGE, No. 147.

*Anacoco Post Office, Sabine Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Brown, John A.....	W M	Smart, A C.....	Secretary
McAlpin, Mark.....	S W	Stephens, T B.....	S D
Smart, L W.....	J W	Jones, W H.....	J D
Brown, R A.....	Treasurer	May, David.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bray, N H	Mitchel, Wilson	Smart, W W
Bray, C	McColister, J N	Smart, R W
Blackman, R	Martin, R W	Sibly, R L F
Chance, Eli	McGee, John	Thompson, John S
Cole, J J	Prewitt, E D	Wright, A
Franklin, J M	Ragan, J H	West, M
Gill, Wm E	Russell, J G	Winfree, E A
Total—29.		

*Initiated*—John J. Cole; T. B. Stephens; Thos. S. Thompson.*Passed*—John J. Cole; Mark McAlpin; E. D. Prewitt; T. B. Stephens; John S. Thompson.*Raised*—John J. Cole; Wilson Mitchell; Mark McAlpin; E. D. Prewitt; T. B. Stephens; John S. Thompson.*Affiliated*—John A. Brown; R. A. Brown.*Demitted*—J. N. McColister; Wm. E. Gill.

## RED LAND LODGE, No. 148.

*Rocky Mount, Bossier Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Campbell, J B.....	W M	Allen, J G.....	Secretary
Holloway, R T.....	S W	Edens, W E.....	S D
Holloway, J M.....	J W	Covington, Wm.....	J D
Hughes, A B.....	Treasurer	Cannon, J.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allen, Gideon	Holley, John	Stanly, Wm
Adger, J E	Kemp, J T	Sandidge, A J
Curry, P	Knight, J J	Sandlin, J H
Curry, A A	Martin, M	Saddler, J M
Edens, J C	Martin, A	Scott, J J
Engram, Jas	O'Daniel, C S	Winfrey, H R L
Engram, J M	Perritt, Wm	Walters, T R
Engram, E W	Rodgers, A M	Wilson, J D
Fish, W J	Roseborough, B C	
Holt, G W	Spurlin, A J	
Total—36.		

*Initiated*—A. A. Curry; A. J. Sandidge; J. M. Saddler; J. J. Scott; J. D. Wilson; R. D. Speight.

*Passed*—A. A. Curry; A. J. Sandidge; J. M. Saddler; J. J. Scott; J. D. Wilson.

*Raised*—A. A. Curry; A. J. Sandidge; J. M. Saddler; J. J. Scott; J. D. Wilson.

*Affiliated*—J. E. Adger; W. J. Fish; G. W. Holt; A. B. Hughes; John Holley; J. J. Knight; Wm. Perritt; B. C. Roseborough; J. H. Sandlin; T. R. Walters. In 1858—E. W. Engram; A. M. Rodgers.

## DARLINGTON LODGE, No. 149.

*Darlington, St. Helena Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS

Davis, Samuel*.....	W M	Nettles, J L.....	Secretary
McCraine, M H.....	S W	Graves, H S.....	S D
Collins, M M.....	J W	Rogers, Moses.....	J D
Norwood, Z G.....	Treasurer	Hurst, W J.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Allen, T D	Hobgood, J W	Raborn, Quincy
Collins, O L	Higginbotham, L	Shelton, J R
Carter, W W	Higginbotham, C	Thompson, H
Doughty, B	Lamberth, Isaac N	Thompson, C
Doughty, W F	Lee, W G	Wilson, D P
Edwards, H	O'Mealio, John	Williams, Richard
Total—26.		

*Initiated*—W. F. Doughty; John O'Mealio; Moses Rogers; Alford Rogers; Langsdon East.

*Passed*—W. F. Doughty; W. G. Lee; John O'Mealio; Moses Rogers; H. Edwards; Alford Rogers.

*Raised*—W. F. Doughty; W. G. Lee; John O'Mealio; Moses Rogers; H. Edwards.

*Affiliated*—J. W. Hobgood; Quincy Raborn; H. Edwards (E. A.).

*Demitted*—C. Higginbotham; J. N. Lamberth; W. W. Carter.

*Died*—Samuel Davis; L. Higginbotham.

\* Died since election.

## PERKINS LODGE, No. 150.

*Donaldsonville, Ascension Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Nicholls, L D.....	W M	Miller, H W.....	Secretary
Mavor, C L.....	S W	O'Hara, John.....	S D
Lion, Michel.....	J W	Moore, R C.....	J D
Cahn, L.....	Treasurer	Rougeau, Pierre.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Coussou, Pierre	Lion, Elie	Scheuer, Jonathan
Cox, E B	Lion, L	Sceleman, Samuel
Dodds, J A	Lockard, P A	Supervielle, T F E
Hewitt, J W	Nicholls, F T	Taylor, R F
Israel, Marx	Parker, Z	Weinschenck, S
Kellet, J A	Parks, J H	Weightman, T H
Laughlin, John	Pierce, D B	
Lawes, W C	Powell, A J	Total—30.

*Initiated*—W. C. Lawes ; Elie Lion ; F. T. C. Supervielle ; G. H. Franklin ; S. C. Hepburn ; A. L. Mershon.

*Passed*—John Laughlin ; W. C. Lawes ; Elie Lion ; J. H. Parks ; F. T. C. Supervielle.

*Raised*—John Laughlin ; W. C. Lawes ; Elie Lion ; J. H. Parks ; F. T. C. Supervielle.

*Affiliated*—D. B. Pierce ; T. H. Weightman.

*Demitted*—Samuel Sceleman.

*Died*—P. A. Lockard.

*Expelled*—Pierre Coussou.

## EASTERN STAR LODGE, No. 151.

*Winnfield, Winn Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Walker, Wm.....	W M	Bevill, J R.....	Secretary
Dixon, John A.....	S W	Edwards, W J.....	S D
Pierson, David.....	J W	Brock, James.....	J D
Hargis, Q A.....	Treasurer	Morris, D P.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bernstein, P	Fouts, T J	Stone, Wm
Banks, J P	Green, J J	Sims, R C
Bell, W T	Griffen, Wm	Sims, Elijah
Bellemey, J F	Gaus, Michael	Smith, H P
Bridges, J L	Hicks, G W	Teddler, E W
Bebee, A P	Harrison, T O	Teddler, S
Bird, L G	Jackson, S	Teddler, B F
Collins, D W	Jones, A H	Ussery, Benjamin
Cockerham, A	Johnson, Z	Womack, Jesse
Cockerham, J W	Luckey, Wm	Womack, R
Corley, I T	Lacy, J H	Walker, J L
Collins, S	Mathis, J A	Williams, J M
Davis, Thomas	Martin, E C	Williamson, W C
Deen, Simon	McBride, D	Watson, J A
Emanuel, A	Parsons, C B	Womack, John
Edwards, E W	Rogers, S W	
Ernest, Samuel	Stovall, J W	
		Total—57.

*Initiated*—W. T. Bell; A. P. Bebee; L. G. Bird; S. Collins; Thos. Davis; Simon Deen; W. J. Edwards; David Pierson; J. A. Watson; John Womack; W. S. Allbright; James Gray; D. Mackie; Thomas Allen; T. W. Howell, Jr.; T. G. Jenkins; J. B. Lowe; N. W. Parker; C. S. Walters.

*Passed*—W. T. Bell; A. P. Bebee; L. G. Bird; J. W. Cockerham; S. Collins; Thomas Davis; Simon Deen; W. J. Edwards; T. O. Harrison; David Pierson; J. A. Watson; John Womack; W. S. Allbright; James Gray; D. Mackie.

*Raised*—W. T. Bell; A. P. Bebee; L. G. Bird; D. W. Collins; A. Cockerham; J. W. Cockerham; S. Collins; Thomas Davis; Simon Deen; W. J. Edwards; T. O. Harrison; J. H. Lacy; D. McBride; David Pierson; J. A. Watson; John Womack.

*Affiliated*—J. F. Bellemey; J. L. Bridges; I. T. Corley; A. H. Jones; Z. Johnson.

*Died*—E. W. Edwards.

## HOMER LODGE, No. 152.

*Homer, Claiborne Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Killgore, G M.....	W M	Brown, W P.....	Secretary
Dyer, D H.....	S W	Burnham, W A.....	S D
Hill, A C.....	J W	Jones, F A.....	J D
Leak, J F.....	Treasurer	Thomas, G W.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Alexander, Robt	Kellett, W A	Smith, J P
Brown, S M	Kendrick, N E	Scaggs, J E
Brown, J J	Lewis, D H	Stacy, J W
Brooks, J T	Murrell, John	Thomasson, J M
Carr, W A	Mahon, G T	Tool, M L
Carr, C E	McKinsey, J M	Whitson, E B
Cornelius, M A	Nail, Mason	Warren, G W
Faucher, R F	Norton, W A	Warren, J G
Greer, John sr	Price, G W	Young, John
Gladden, D W	Price, Thos	Young, John S
Hamilton, T P	Presley, A M	
Jeter, J H	Spear, T S	Total—42.

*Initiated*—N. E. Kendrick; J. M. McKinsey; J. E. Scaggs; H. D. Farnley; A. H. Hargrove; D. A. Reid; J. H. Thigpen.

*Passed*—N. E. Kendrick; J. M. McKinsey; J. E. Scaggs; J. H. Thigpen; B. Thigpen.

*Raised*—N. E. Kendrick; J. M. McKinsey; J. E. Scaggs.

*Affiliated*—R. Alexander; S. M. Brown; J. J. Brown; W. A. Carr; C. E. Carr; R. F. Faucher; John Greer, sr; D. W. Gladden; J. H. Jeter; D. H. Lewis; Mason Nail; Thos. Price; A. M. Presley; M. L. Tool; G. W. Warren; J. G. Warren; John Young; John S. Young; Allen C. Hill.

*Demitted*—S. M. Brown; R. F. Faucher; T. S. Spear.

## SAINTS JOHN LODGE, No. 153.

*Algiers, Parish of Orleans, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Seger, A B.....	W M	Thayer, Theophilus....	Secretary
Dodge, L J.....	S W	Sloan, G W.....	S D
Porter, T K.....	J W	Descamus, J F.....	J D
Bass, J A.....	Treasurer	Brunett, John.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bayley, G W R	Heaton, P W	McLean, John O
Bunk, Aug	Haight, Rufus	Powell, Wm
Bell, Robert	Hunold, F J	Richardson, John
Beddinghause, H	Haggett, T	Randolph, Wm
Brownlee, John	Jarvis, James	Reeves, G E
Dodge, L W	Long, D A	Sarazin, Wm
Forrist, John	Mitchell, John	Stafford, J E
Fortman, A	Mahoney, John	Schwarzenbach, H
Hasam, Thomas	Miles, George	Williams, Samuel
Hasling, John	McCann, John	Young, Hicks L
Hansen, Thomas	McCluskey, John	Total—40.



*Initiated*—John Brownlee; Jas. Jarvis; G. E. Reeves; J. E. Stafford; H. Schwarzenbach; Samuel Williams; H. L. Young; James Cranston; G. G. Pearce.

*Passed*—John Brownlee; James Jarvis; Wm. Powell; G. E. Reeves; J. E. Stafford; H. Schwarzenbach; Samuel Williams; H. L. Young; James Cranston.

*Raised*—John Brownlee; James Jarvis; William Powell; G. E. Reeves; J. E. Stafford; H. Schwarzenbach; Samuel Williams; H. L. Young.

*Affiliated*—Thomas Haggett.

*Demitted*—Aug. Bunk.

## FILMORE LODGE, No. 154.

*Filmore, Bossier Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Springfield, W C	W M	Ford, James.....	Secretary
Bledsoe, T W	S W	Hodges, M H.....	S D
Barnacastle, H	J W	Martin, G.....	J D
Hamilton, W E	Treasurer	Ray, Wm G.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Applewhite, J L	Hudson, E	Platt, Wm
Brothers, W E	Harroll, C W	Platt, David
Bryan, W B	Hodges, M L	Regan, John
Bledsoe, J M	Lyon, H J	Saxon, J T
Collins, J H	Lawrence, A	Snider, T A
Ferguson, J A	Lock, E B	Sanders, John H
Ford, L J	McDade, A J	Walker, John A
Garner, W T	McDade, D T	Walker, John C
Hodges, J C	Miller, J	
Henderson, D J	Magee, T S	
		Total—36.

*Initiated*—T. S. Magee; Wm. Rawls.

*Passed*—T. S. Magee; Wm. Rawls.

*Raised*—T. S. Magee.

*Affiliated*—L. J. Ford; James Ford; C. W. Harrell; M. L. Hodges; John H. Sanders.

*Demitted*—L. J. Ford.

*Died*—T. S. Magee; John A. Walker.

## CHERRY RIDGE LODGE, No. 155.

*Cherry Ridge, Union Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Simmons, M T.....	W M	Gully, J H.....	Secretary
Crawford, J A.....	S W	Elkins, H K.....	S D
Finton, George.....	J W	Beard, S.....	J D
Joiner, J E.....	Treasurer	Manning, S.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Beard, James	Guice, Joseph L	Porter, Wm
Bartlett, W C	Holloway, Jasper	Regan, W D
Bruce, J M	Harris, D M	Turner, A M
Branch, J W	Joiner, G W	Tubb, B M
Carr, Wm C	Marshall, Peter	Wasson, W W
		Total—23.

*Initiated*—W. C. Bartlett; James Beard; Benj. Wilday; Joseph L Guice; Wm. Porter; A. M. Turner.

*Passed*—W. C. Bartlett; Jas. Beard; Joseph L. Guice; Wm. Porter; A. M. Turner.

*Raised*—W. C. Bartlett; Jas. Beard; Joseph L. Guice; Manning; Wm. Porter; A. M. Turner.

*Affiliated*—J. A. Crawford.

*Demitted*—J. M. Bruce; Jasper Holloway; D. M. Harris.

## KISSATCHIE LODGE, No. 156.

*Kissatchie, Natchitoches Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Phares, James K.....	W M	Owings, W P.....	Secretary
Nash, L J.....	S W	McNeely, N G.....	S D
McNeely, J T.....	J W	Powell, Isaac.....	J D
Bolton, John.....	Treasurer	Collins, H D.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Collins, J M	Lynch, B M	Self, W J
Hawkins, J E	Matthews, Wm	Smith, T M
Hawkins, M P	Nash, J J	Weldon, Green
Kile, Jacob	Owen, B D	Total—19.

*Initiated*—In 1858— O. P. Westmoreland; P. P. Matthews.

*Affiliated*—Jacob Kile; J. J. Nash; T. M. Smith.

## GROSSE TETE LODGE, No. 157.

*Rosedale, Iberville Parish, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Whitney, John S. .... W M	Johnston, Jas H. .... Secretary
Young, Joseph N. .... S W	Little, Peter J. .... S D
Sigler, Hiram. .... J W	McHugh, David. .... J D
Denham, Henry H. .... Treasurer	Harrell, Jas G. .... Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Briggs, Wm	Gellusseau, Pierre	Shanks, Wm
Bargas, Joseph E	Marr, Matt	Sugg, Peregrin P
Emery, Samuel		Total—15.

*Initiated*—Samuel Emery; Wm. C. Lewis.*Passed*—Wm. Briggs; Samuel Emery; David McHugh; John M. Brooks; John R. Bussy.*Raised*—Wm. Briggs; Josiah E. Bargas; Samuel Emery; David McHugh.*Demitted*—Vincent Avet (E. A.).

## RAPIDES LODGE, No. 158.

*Huddleston P. O., Rapides Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Burr, G B. .... W M	Cooper, Lewis. .... Secretary
Smith, G A. .... S W	Gill, P L. .... S D
Eddleman, J P. .... J W	Williams, A B. .... J D
Fennell, D. .... Treasurer	Williams, H A. .... Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Ainsworth, A	Iles, John	Simmons, David
Burr, C B	Iles, H W	Simmons, V
Duncan, J S	Johnson, A C	Speights, Z R
Gill, T J	Knight, T S	Shelton, W B
Hale, Alexander	Knight, J C	Turner, J C
Hunt, C C	Knight, D R	Turner, Stephen
Hatch, J T	Lewis, Allen	Word, J H
Hewitt, J T	Liles, J M	West, J M
Hilyer, J C	Luttrell, R A	Wilson, A
Hambleton, Isaac	Perkins, B G	Total—37.

*Initiated*—J. M. Liles.

*Passed*—A. C. Johnson ; J. M. Liles ; D. Simmons ; V. Simmons ; Z. R. Speights.

*Raised*—J. C. Hillyer ; Isaac Hambleton ; A. C. Johnson ; J. M. Liles ; D. Simmons ; V. Simmons ; Z. R. Speights.

*Affiliated*—J. T. Hatch ; Allen Lewis ; R. A. Luttrell ; W. B. Shelton.

## MORGANZA LODGE, No. 159.\*

*Morganza, Point Coupée Parish, La.*

### MEMBERS.

Anderson, J	Hess, Wm	McRae, R W
Brown, Alf	Hosca, C E	Newson, J W
Bondy, A	Hale, C G	Robinson, B
Bracewell, J W	Hudson, J S	Strother, J T
Boyce, J E	Joffroin, P	Smith, P
Cane, J C	Jackson, A W	Villeret, J B
Clarke, J T	Kaufman, P G A A	Villeret, Chas
Durum, L C	Lejune, Ovide	Vosburgh, H
Decoux, C	Motlow, J M	Vignes, A
Elliott, J J	Morgan, J A	Watkins, L B
Harbour, W H	Macbius, John	Watson, J P

Total—33.

*Initiated*—J. Anderson ; S. Dogherty ; C. G. Hale ; P. G. A. A. Kaufman ; S. Gamble ; R. Falconer ; J. Yoist ; Adolph Vignes.

*Passed*—J. Anderson ; T. Chapeton ; C. G. Hale ; M. Henderson ; P. G. A. A. Kaufman ; R. Falconer ; J. Yoist.

*Raised*—J. Anderson ; C. G. Hale ; A. Vignes ; L. B. Watkins ; P. G. A. A. Kaufman ; H. Vosburgh.

## LIVINGSTON LODGE, No. 160.

*Ponchitoula, Livingston Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Robertson, A B.....	W M	Jones, Wm.....	Secretary
Hoyt, S S.....	S W	Bankston, G W.....	S D
Akers, Wm.....	J W	Hammond, Wm.....	J D
Grenes, Christian....	Treasurer	Lard, Noah.....	Tyler

\* Returns informal, see report of Committee on page 124. No officers returned.

## MEMBERS.

Addison, J W	Colmer, George	Robertson, D T
Bankston, N M	Cutrer, W R	Robertson, W B
Bankston, W W	Gosselin, P C	Settoon, D T
Bankston, Y S	Lower, J M	Starns, P F
Bankston, S M	Loveland, J H	White, C W
Burns, B F	Lanier, R M	
Carter, M T	Mahoney, J M	
		Total—27.

*Initiated*—W. B. Robertson; H. Johnson; Charles Barnum.

*Passed*—Wm. Akers; R. M. Lanier; W. B. Robertson; H. Johnson.

*Raised*—Wm. Akers; R. M. Lanier; W. B. Robertson.

*Affiliated*—B. F. Burns; S. S. Hoyt; Wm. Jones.

*Demitted*—W. R. Cutrer.

*Died*—N. B. Melton (F. C.).

## BROOKVILLE LODGE, U. D.

*Lake Lafourche, Morehouse Parish, La.*

[Charter granted February 16th, 1860—No. 161.]

## OFFICERS

Elected and installed under Charter, March 3d, 1860.

Myers, W G.....	W M	Myers, A P.....	Secretary
Pipes, A S.....	S W	Booth, E P.....	S D
Worley, S N.....	J W	McGowen, J E.....	J D
Webb, J M.....	Treasurer	Henly, J W.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Beauchamp, D S	Hatch, C J	McAdams, T B
Barton, C T	Hatch, C A	Phillips, R E
Conger, A B	Higginbotham, W D	Ryan, P M
Dean, Robt	Myers, W P	Williams, John R
Dyer, Wm	McGee, C L	Young, G W
		Total—23.

*Initiated*—B. K. Fluker; L. Fels; Isaac F. Ginn; J. W. Henly; John Jones; A. P. Myers; G. T. Malone; Wm. Sandel; P. H. Wright.

*Passed*—E. P. Booth; A. B. Conger; B. K. Fluker; J. W. Henly; John Jones; A. P. Myers; G. T. Malone; Wm. Sandel; P. H. Wright.

*Raised*—E. P. Booth; A. B. Conger; J. W. Henly; A. P. Myers.

*Affiliated*—C. T. Barton; C. J. Hatch; C. A. Hatch; W. D. Higginbotham; W. G. Myers; J. E. McGowen; C. L. McGee; T. B. McAdams; R. E. Phillips; A. S. Pipes.

*Demitted*—John R. Williams.

*Died*—Robert Dean.

## BURNSVILLE LODGE, U. D.

*Shangaloo, Claiborne Parish, La.*

[Charter granted February 16th, 1860—No. 162.]

## OFFICERS.

Baucum, Shelby.....	W M	Doss, M B.....	Secretary
Burns, J M.....	S W	Fuller, J M.....	S D
Marshall, Smith.....	J W	Graham, Abraham.....	J D
Simms, Wm.....	Treasurer	Walis, H B.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allen, J B	McGlover, M	Sanderlin, E
Burns, T F	Modisett, Samuel	Smith, M J
Blackburn, J M	Magee, M M	Wallace, G B
Dove, John	McCarthy, A	Watson, A J
Graham, M V	Mixon, C L	
Lockhart, A D	Roach, J H	Total—24.

*Initiated*—J. B. Allen; T. F. Burns; J. Z. Burley; J. M. Blackburn; C. B. Burns; W. O. Burns; John Dove; A. Graham; M. V. Graham; W. J. Hinton; T. W. J. Leonard; J. M. Lewis; Wm. Jones; Smith Marshall; M. M. Magee; A. McCarthy; G. B. Wallace; A. J. Watson; J. J. Walden; Redick Price.

*Passed*—J. B. Allen; T. F. Burns; J. M. Blackburn; C. B. Burns; John Dove; A. Graham; M. V. Graham; J. M. Lewis; Smith Marshall; M. M. Magee; A. McCarthy; Redick Price; G. B. Wallace; A. J. Watson; J. J. Walden.

*Raised*—J. B. Allen; T. F. Burns; J. M. Blackburn; John Dove; A. Graham; M. V. Graham; Smith Marshall; M. M. Magee; A. McCarthy; G. B. Wallace; A. J. Watson.

*Affiliated*—J. M. Fuller; C. L. Mixon; E. Sanderlin; M. J. Smith.

*Suspended*—A. D. Lockhart; J. H. Roach.

## ATCHAFALAYA LODGE, U. D.

*Simmsport, Avoyelles Parish, La.*

[Charter granted February 16th, 1860—No. 163.]

## OFFICERS.

Robinson, J B.....	W M	_____	_____	Secretary
Babbitt, F H.....	S W	_____	_____	S D
McCrea, John J.....	J W	_____	_____	J D
_____	Treasurer	_____	_____	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Armstrong, W E	Keller, L	Smith, Samuel
Barbre, S	Nesmith, F J	Thomas, S M
Boone, R M	Norwood, I T	White, H N
Calliham, H G	Rogers, S T	Wells, S M
Calliham, James	Shirley, Wm	Whitley, P J
Jones, J C	Stribling, S R	Total—20.

*Initiated*—W. E. Armstrong; R. M. Boone; William Shirley; S. M. Wells; J. B. Kirk; T. P. Harmanson; W. L. Jenkins; J. T. Brookes; R. F. F. French; L. J. North.

*Passed*—W. E. Armstrong; R. M. Boone; J. C. Jones; William Shirley; S. M. Wells; T. P. Harmanson; W. L. Jenkins; J. B. Kirk.

*Raised*—W. E. Armstrong; R. M. Boone; J. C. Jones; William Shirley; S. M. Wells.

*Affiliated*—James Calliham; F. J. Nesmith; I. T. Norwood; S. T. Rogers; S. R. Stribling; S. M. Thomas; P. J. Whitley.

## COLUMBIA LODGE, U. D.

*Columbia, Caldwell Parish, La.*

[Charter granted February 16th, 1860—No. 164.]

## OFFICERS.

Hough, Wade H. .... W M	Chaffin, N L. .... Secretary
Varner, John F. .... S W	Boyd, James A. .... S D
Haas, Isaac L. .... J W	Blanks, Joseph D. .... J D
Levy, Jacob. .... Treasurer	Redditt, Wm C. .... Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Blanks, Robert A	Evans, Thomas J	Meredith, James M
Blanks, Fred A	Everitt, Wm A	Saucier, Joseph G
Barker, James	Hogan, Wm	Wright, John E
Bridger, J C	Hill, John C	Total—19.

*Initiated*—Fred. A. Blanks; James Barker; William A. Everitt; John C. Hill; Jesse J. Butler; James T. Duff; Tarlton East; J. J. Stringer.

*Passed*—Fred. A. Blanks; James Barker; William A. Everitt; John C. Hill.

*Raised*—Fred. A. Blanks; James Barker; William A. Everitt; John C. Hill.

*Affiliated*—Thomas J. Evans; William Hogan; James M. Meredith; John E. Wright.

## LAKE CHARLES LODGE, U. D.

*Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish, La.*

[Charter granted February 16th, 1860—No. 165.]

## OFFICERS.

Sanders, Joel. . W M      Christian, Jas. . S W      Reeves, Geo Sr. . J W

## MEMBERS.

Alexander, A A	Lecoq, James O	Read, David J
Burnett, Alfred	Pujo, Amedie	Ryan, Jacob
Cole, Enoch L	Platz, Peter	Suns, Edward R
Gill, Wm E	Reeves, George W Jr	Total—14.

*Initiated*—A. A. Alexander; E. L. Cole; A. Pujo; P. Platz; George W. Reeves, Jr.; D. J. Read; Jacob Ryan; A. Clifton; James Hodges.

*Passed*—A. A. Alexander; E. L. Cole; A. Clifton; A. Pujo; P. Platz; George W. Reeves, Jr.; D. J. Read; Jacob Ryan.

*Raised*—A. A. Alexander; E. L. Cole; A. Pujo; P. Platz; George W. Reeves, Jr.; D. J. Read; Jacob Ryan.

## LINN WOOD LODGE, U. D.

*Jefferson City, Parish of Jefferson, La.*

[Dispensation granted by Grand Lodge, February 20, 1860.]

## OFFICERS.

McGinnis, T. . . . . W M	Cutler, W C. . . . . Secretary
McDuff, Wm. . . . . S W	Aycock, J T. . . . . S D
Davenport, J. . . . . J W	Burgess, W L. . . . . J D
Williams, Henry H. . . Treasurer	Wood, David. . . . . Tyler



## LOUISIANA RELIEF LODGE, No. 1.

[Meetings—First Sunday in each Month, in Grand Lodge Hall.]

## OFFICERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES.

JAMES B. SCOT, W. M. . . . . Grand Lodge Hall, corner St. Charles  
 and Perdido streets.  
 D. E. SCRUGGS, S. W. . . . . No. 45 Magazine street.  
 J. O. DeCASTRO, J. W. . . . . No. 25 Chartres street.  
 W. A. WILSON, Treasurer. . . No. 88 Canal street.  
 A. De SOLA, Secretary. . . . . No. 42 Chartres street.  
 G. SONTAG, S. D.  
 J. C. WOOD, J. D.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

PERFECT UNION LODGE, No. 1.  
 A. Pitot, Jr., O. DeBuys, J. A. Hopkins.  
 FRIENDS OF HARMONY LODGE, No. 58.  
 Samuel Harby, J. H. Clark, J. O. DeCastro.  
 GEORGE WASHINGTON LODGE, No. 65.  
 James B. Scot, G. Sontag, J. H. Tenney.  
 DUDLEY LODGE, No. 66.  
 W. H. Stewart, Edwin Marks, J. H. Gennison.  
 MARION LODGE, No. 68.  
 W. M. Perkins, Samuel M. Todd, J. Q. A. Fellows.  
 HIRAM LODGE, No. 70.  
 T. Carroll, Alex. S. Rogers, John Wills.  
 ALPHA HOME LODGE, No. 72.  
 J. C. Batchelor, Fred. Roca, R. W. Stanley.  
 QUITMAN LODGE, No. 76.  
 T. W. Peyton, W. H. Seaman, T. A. Bartlette.  
 LOUISIANA LODGE, No. 102.  
 W. C. Driver, Aaron Harris, Louis Piderit.  
 OCEAN LODGE, No. 144.  
 J. P. Warner, G. Barth, C. Goetz.

## Non-Contributing Lodges in the City of New Orleans.

POLAR STAR LODGE, No. 1.	FOYER MAÇONNIQUE LODGE, No. 44.
CONCORDE LODGE, No. 3.	GERMANIA LODGE, No. 46.
PERSEVERANCE LODGE, No. 4.	MOUNT MORIAH LODGE, No. 59.
ST. ANDREW LODGE, No. 5.	ORLEANS LODGE, No. 78.
LOS AMIGOS DEL ORDEN, No. 5.	HERMITAGE LODGE, No. 98.

# REGISTER OF LODGES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

NAMES OF LODGES.		NO.	WHERE LOCATED.	DATE CHARTER.		MASTERS' NAMES.	SECRETARIES' NAMES.
1	Perfect Union.....	1	New Orleans, Rampart, between Main and St. Philip streets...	July	12, 1812	A. Pitot, Jr.....	C. Laffon.....
2	Polar Star.....	1	" " " " " " " "	July	12, 1812	A. R. Morel.....	Michel Meilleur.....
3	Concorde.....	3	" " " " " " " "	July	12, 1812	F. L. Nicomede.....	Simon Meilleur.....
4	Perseverance.....	4	New Orleans, corner Main and St. Claude streets.....	July	12, 1812	F. Ricau.....	François Meilleur...
5	Los Amigos del Orden.	5	New Orleans, Rampart, between Main and St. Philip streets...	Sept.	24, 1842	Marco Antonio.....	S. M. Lopez.....
6	St. Andrew.....	5	New Orleans, Conti, between Villeré and Robertson streets...	June	3, 1839	J. Lamarre.....	J. Pausas.....
7	Humble Cottage.....	19	Opelousas, St. Landry Parish, Louisiana.....	June	12, 1820	James Ray.....	E. Pilate.....
8	St. Albans.....	28	Jackson, East Feliciana, Louisiana.....	July	12, 1827	W. T. Rogillio.....	E. C. Kiblinger.....
9	Feliciana.....	31	St. Francisville, West Feliciana, Louisiana.....	March	9, 1828	Samuel J. Powell.....	G. M. Miller.....
10	Phoenix.....	38	Natchitoches, Louisiana.....	Oct.	6, 1836	John Blair Smith.....	William Payne.....
11	Foyer Maçonnique.....	44	New Orleans, Rampart, between Main and St. Philip streets...	Oct.	7, 1838	H. J. B. Pain.....	U. Marinoni.....
12	Jackson.....	45	Greenwood, Caddo Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan.	28, 1843	A. Flournoy, Sr.....	J. A. McRady.....
13	Germania.....	46	New Orleans, St. Louis, near Claiborne street.....	April	18, 1844	John Wild.....	John F. Kellner.....
14	St. James.....	47	Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	June	28, 1844	Samuel M. Hart.....	John R. Dufrocq.....
15	Providence.....	50	Lake Providence, Louisiana.....	April	19, 1845	Robt. N. Campbell.....	Charles R. Purdy...
16	Minden.....	51	Minden, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	April	19, 1845	J. W. Berry.....	Alfred Landsberg...
17	Olive.....	52	Clinton, Parish of East Feliciana, Louisiana.....	Nov.	27, 1845	G. W. Munday.....	J. G. D'Armond.....
18	Union Fraternal.....	53	Farmersville, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Sept.	21, 1845	John L. Barrett.....	William C. Smith.....
19	Mount Gerizim.....	54	Bastrop, Morehouse Parish, Louisiana.....	Nov.	28, 1846	J. M. Brice.....	W. L. McMurtry.....
20	De Soto.....	55	Mansfield, De Soto Parish, Louisiana.....	March	27, 1847	John H. Sutherland.....	J. S. Jackson.....
21	Lafayette.....	56	Vernon, Jackson Parish, Louisiana.....	Nov.	27, 1847	John C. Jones.....	Joseph R. Ryan.....
22	Franklin.....	57	Franklin, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan.	23, 1848	John C. Gordy.....	C. M. Smith.....
23	Friends of Harmony...	58	New Orleans, G. L. Hall, cor. St. Charles and Perdido streets.	April	22, 1848	Samuel Harby.....	A. DeSola.....
24	Mount Moriah.....	59	New Orleans, Odd Fellows' Hall, cor. Camp and Lafayette sts.	March	24, 1849	J. T. Watts.....	James Furneaux.....
25	Western Star.....	61	Monroe, Ouachita Parish, Louisiana.....	May	1, 1849	Joseph F. McGuire.....	John A. McGuire.....
26	Tunica.....	63	Tunica Landing, Louisiana.....	Jan.	28, 1850	H. Hobgood.....	W. T. Cox.....
27	George Washington.....	65	New Orleans, G. L. Hall, cor. St. Charles and Perdido streets.	March	4, 1850	James B. Scot.....	George P. Evans.....
28	Dudley.....	66	" " " " " " " "	March	4, 1850	Wm. H. Stewart.....	S. I. Guillet.....
29	Marion.....	68	" " " " " " " "	March	4, 1850	Wm. M. Perkins.....	A. H. Browne.....
30	Hiram.....	70	" " " " " " " "	March	4, 1850	Timothy Carroll.....	R. E. Diamond.....
31	Alpha Home.....	72	" " " " " " " "	Feb.	14, 1850	J. C. Batchelor.....	F. A. Dentzel.....
32	Sabine.....	75	Fort Jesup, Sabine Parish, Louisiana.....	March	4, 1850	Simon Dove.....	G. Munson.....
33	Quitman.....	76	New Orleans, G. L. Hall, cor. St. Charles and Perdido streets.	March	4, 1850	Thomas W. Peyton.....	H. J. Stansbury.....
34	Mount Moriah.....	77	Port Hudson, Parish of East Feliciana, Louisiana.....	March	4, 1850	R. W. Troth.....	L. Bloom.....
35	Orleans†.....	78	New Orleans, G. L. Hall, cor. St. Charles and Perdido streets.	March	4, 1850	C. F. Hufft, S. W....	John B. Crocker.....
36	Saint Joseph.....	79	St. Joseph, Tensas Parish, Louisiana.....	March	4, 1850	S. B. Stampeley.....	Reeve Lewis.....

37	DeWitt Clinton.....	80	Marion, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4,	1850	J. Newton.....	F. M. Traylor.....
38	Mount Vernon.....	83	Logansport, Louisiana.....	March 4,	1850	John W. Martin.....	George A. Tharpe...
39	Oliver.....	84	Alexandria, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4,	1850	Wm. B. Hyman.....	Rosemond Legras...
40	Lafayette.....	87	Pattersonville, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4,	1850	N. Keys.....	Bernard Levy.....
41	Many.....	88	Many, Sabine Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4,	1850	E. C. Davidson.....	S. A. Easen.....
42	Cypress.....	89	Collinsburg, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4,	1850	James T. Turnley...	W. M. Sentell.....
43	Thibodaux Benevolent	90	Thibodaux, Lafourche Interior, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21,	1851	A. Miles McLeod...	Robert A. New.....
44	Monticello.....	92	Monticello, Carroll Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21,	1851	Chas. B. Richardson	J. S. Richards.....
45	Napoleon*.....	94	Marion, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21,	1851	.....	.....
46	St. Helena.....	96	Greensburg, St. Helena Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21,	1851	Wm. A. Carter.....	Lemuel R. Parker...
47	Patmos†.....	97	Richmond, Madison Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 17,	1854	.....	.....
48	Hermitage.....	98	New Orleans, corner Magazine and Philip streets.....	Jan. 21,	1851	Daniel Wilson.....	J. B. Thornton.....
49	Henderson.....	99	Cotile, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21,	1851	S. B. Shackelford...	Thos. Richardson...
50	Franklinton.....	101	Franklinton, Washington Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21,	1851	John Wadsworth...	John E. Morris...
51	Louisiana.....	102	New Orleans, G. L. Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido sts.	Jan. 23,	1851	Wm. C. Driver.....	Thos. G. Morgan...
52	Cloutierville.....	103	Cloutierville, Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21,	1852	Samuel O. Scruggs...	John Carnahan, Jr...
53	Mount Lebanon.....	104	Mount Lebanon, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21,	1852	.....	.....
54	Trinity.....	105	Trinity, Catahoula Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21,	1852	.....	.....
55	Vienna.....	106	Vienna, Jackson Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21,	1852	M. P. Quinn.....	A. B. C. Winfrey...
56	Sparta.....	108	Sparta, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21,	1852	W. E. Paxton.....	H. N. Dubose.....
57	Castor.....	109	Castor, Caldwell Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21,	1852	W. L. DeGraffenriedt	Wm. M. Raymond...
58	Harrisonburg.....	110	Harrisonburg, Catahoula Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21,	1852	Wm. M. Tew.....	Wm. Griffin.....
59	Urim.....	111	Forks ville, Ouachita Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 2,	1853	Thos. L. Simpson...	James L. McCarter..
60	Bartholomew.....	112	Plantersville, Morehouse Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 25,	1853	A. S. Washburn.....	N. S. Greenwood....
61	Thomas Jefferson.....	113	Spearsville, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 25,	1853	Wm. L. Spears.....	Sidney H. Griffin...
62	Friendship.....	114	Woodville, Jackson Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 25,	1853	C. N. Howell.....	C. McCullough.....
63	Shreveport.....	115	Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 27,	1852	Vincent Ritchie....	J. B. Gilmore.....
64	Acacia.....	116	Plaquemine, Iberville Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 17,	1854	John Marcot.....	Allen Jumel.....
65	Milford.....	117	Manchac Settlement, East Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	Jan. 20,	1854	J. B. Bixler.....	J. D. Comaux.....
66	Terryville*.....	118	Quay Post Office, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 17,	1854	.....	.....
67	Constantine.....	119	Waterproof, Tensas Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 17,	1854	J. P. Womack.....	J. A. Reed.....
68	Deerfield.....	120	Deerfield, Carroll Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 17,	1854	John H. Callaway...	Geo. W. Trezevant...
69	Lisbon.....	121	Lisbon, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 17,	1854	E. Carpenter.....	R. L. Elliott.....
70	Mackey.....	122	Ringgold, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 20,	1854	J. D. Cawthon.....	Alex. J. Kolb.....
71	Liberty.....	123	Keachi, De Soto Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14,	1855	C. N. Horn.....	Frank E. Wood.....
72	Kellertown.....	124	Kellertown, East Feliciana, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14,	1855	Abel J. Norwood....	S. W. Reily.....
73	Pearl River.....	125	Line Academy, Washington Parish, La., Fordsville P. O., Miss.	Feb. 14,	1855	Wm. C. Warren.....	Joseph M. Ford.....
74	Arcadia.....	126	Arcadia, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14,	1855	R. M. Searcy.....	R. J. Wheaton.....
75	Springhill.....	127	Springhill Church, Union Cross Roads, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14,	1855	James A. Martin...	J. W. Hopkins.....
76	Dawson.....	129	Scottville, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14,	1855	V. V. Thompson.....	B. F. Thornton.....

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77	Solomon.....	130	Goodrich Landing, Pecan Grove P. O., Carroll Parish, La.....	Feb. 17, 1855	A. S. Manning.....	John D. Catlin.....
78	Shiloh.....	131	Shiloh, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	Jno. W. Faucher.....	J. C. B. White.....
79	Warren.....	132	Winnsboro', Franklin Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	Joseph Pettit.....	Lewis Zim.....
80	Gordy*.....	133	Cheneyville, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855		
81	Harry Hill.....	134	Bastrop, Morehouse Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	Syl. G. Parsons.....	B. Harrison.....
82	Plains.....	135	Plains Store, East Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1856	W. C. Young.....	R. W. Y. Newport...
83	Athens.....	136	Athens, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1856	C. L. Hays.....	A. L. Hundley.....
84	Houma.....	139	Houma, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1856	J. B. Dunn.....	H. Newell.....
85	Cool Spring.....	140	Cool Spring Academy, Homer P. O., Claiborne Parish, La.....	Feb. 12, 1856	John L. Garrett.....	A. F. Jarvis.....
86	Huntington.....	141	Minden, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1856	A. Spencer.....	Walter Rossman....
87	Downsville.....	143	Downsville, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1856	Geo. A. Stinson.....	S. O. Larche.....
88	Ocean.....	144	New Orleans, Marigny Buildings, Third District.....	Feb. 10, 1857	J. P. Warner.....	J. A. Letten.....
89	Hope.....	145	Vermillionville, Lafayette Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1857	M. E. Girard.....	Wm. Brandt.....
90	Silent Brotherhood.....	146	Coushatta Chute, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1857	F. L. Armistead.....	A. B. Hailey.....
91	Anacoco.....	147	Anacoco Post Office, Sabine Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1857	John A. Brown.....	A. C. Smart.....
92	Red Land.....	148	Rocky Mount, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1857	J. B. Campbell.....	J. G. Allen.....
93	Darlington?.....	149	Darlington, St. Helena Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1858	M. H. McCrairie, s. w.	J. L. Nettles.....
94	Perkins.....	150	Donaldsonville, Ascension Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1858	L. D. Nicholls.....	H. W. Miller.....
95	Eastern Star.....	151	Winnfield, Winn Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1858	Wm. Walker.....	J. R. Bevill.....
96	Homer.....	152	Homer, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1858	G. M. Killgore.....	S. P. Brown.....
97	Saints John.....	153	Algiers, Parish of Orleans, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1858	A. B. Seger.....	Theophilus Thayer..
98	Fillmore.....	154	Fillmore, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1858	W. G. Springfield.....	James Ford.....
99	Cherry Ridge.....	155	Cherry Ridge, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1858	M. T. Simmons.....	J. H. Gully.....
100	Kissatchie.....	156	Kissatchie, Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1858	James K. Phares.....	W. P. Owings.....
101	Grosse Tête.....	157	Rosedale Post Office, Louisiana.....	Feb. 18, 1858	John S. Whitney.....	James H. Johnston..
102	Rapides.....	158	Huddleston Post Office, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 16, 1859	G. B. Burr.....	Lewis Cooper.....
103	Morganza.....	159	Morganza, Point Coupée Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 16, 1859		
104	Livingston.....	160	Ponchitoulas, Livingston Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 16, 1859	A. B. Robertson.....	Wm. Jones.....
105	Brookville.....	161	Lake Lafourche, Morehouse Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 16, 1860	Wm. G. Myers.....	Arthur P. Myers.....
106	Burnsville.....	162	Shangaloo, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 16, 1860		
107	Atchafalaya.....	163	Simmsport, Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 16, 1860		
108	Columbia.....	164	Columbia, Caldwell Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 16, 1860		
109	Lake Charles.....	165	Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 16, 1860		
110	Linn Wood.....	U D	City of Jefferson, Parish of Jefferson, Louisiana.....	Feb. 20, 1860	T. McGinnis.....	W. C. Cutler.....
111	Silencio.....	U D	New Orleans, corner Main and St. Claude streets.....	Feb. 22, 1860	Vicente A. de Castro	Bernardo P. Carrillo

# LIST OF PAST GRAND OFFICERS

OF THE

## GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA,

FROM ITS ORGANIZATION TO THE PRESENT YEAR,

WHO BECAME PERMANENT MEMBERS THEREOF BY VIRTUE OF THEIR OFFICE.

YEAR.	GRAND MASTERS.	DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.	SENIOR GRAND WARDENS.	JUNIOR GRAND WARDENS.
1812	L. F. Dubourg*	L. Moreau Lislet*	J. Blanque*	Francis Pernot*
1813	L. F. Dubourg	L. Moreau Lislet	J. Blanque	Francis Pernot
1814	L. F. Dubourg	L. Moreau Lislet	J. Soulié*	Dominique Roquette
1815	J. Soulié*	L. Moreau Lislet	Dominique Roquette	Modeste Lefebvre*
1816	J. Soulié	L. Moreau Lislet	Modeste Lefebvre*	Y. Lemonnier*
1817	J. Soulié	L. Moreau Lislet	Modeste Lefebvre	Y. Lemonnier
1818	L. Moreau Lislet*	Modeste Lefebvre*	Jean B. Desbois	Y. Lemonnier
1819	Modeste Lefebvre*	Jean B. Desbois	Y. Lemonnier*	Aug. Macarty*
1820	Y. Lemonnier*	Aug. Macarty*	J. F. Canonge*	G. Dubuys*
1821	Aug. Macarty*	J. F. Canonge*	G. Dubuys*	A. Peychaud
1822	J. F. Canonge*	G. Dubuys*	Y. Lemonnier	G. Leaumont
1823	D. F. Burthe*	G. Dubuys	L. Moreau Lislet*	L. A. de Bodin*
1824	J. F. Canonge	Y. Lemonnier*	L. A. de Bodin*	A. Longer*
1825	John H. Holland	L. A. de Bodin*	A. Longer*	Charles Maurian*
1826	John H. Holland	M. Flietas	A. Longer	Charles Maurian
1827	John H. Holland	M. Flietas	Charles Maurian*	A. Morphy*
1828	John H. Holland	A. Morphy*	Charles Maurian	A. Longer
1829	J. F. Canonge	D. F. Burthe*	A. Longer	J. B. Faget
1830	John H. Holland	A. Longer*	M. Fouché Cougot	J. B. Faget
1831	John H. Holland	J. B. Faget	Seth W. Nye	Jean Lamothe
1832	John H. Holland	Aug. Douce*	Seth W. Nye	Thomas Blois*
1833	John H. Holland	Aug. Douce	Jean Lemothe	J. B. F. Giquel*
1834	John H. Holland	Aug. Douce	Jean Lamothe	Charles Revoile
1835	John H. Holland	Aug. Douce	F. J. Verrier	J. B. F. Giquel
1836	L. H. Féraud*	J. Viosca	J. B. F. Giquel*	Jean Lamothe
1837	L. H. Féraud	F. J. Verrier	J. B. F. Giquel	F. Coquet
1838	John H. Holland	J. J. Mercier*	J. B. Lambert*	Zenon Colson
1839	John H. Holland	Alexander Phillips*	F. J. Verrier	Perez Snell†
1840	A. W. Pichot*	G. A. Montmain	J. Viosca	Ramon Vionnet†
1841	A. W. Pichot	Jean Lamothe	J. Viosca.	Ramon Vionnet
1842	Jean Lamothe	Ramon Vionnet†	Paul Bertus*	Ramon Viosca
1843	E. A. Canon*	Felix Garcia*	A. D. Guesnon	H. Kidel
1844	E. A. Canon	Robert Preaux*	Lucien Hermann	Francis Calongne*
1845	Robert Preaux*	Felix Garcia	Lucien Hermann	Francis Calongne
1846	Felix Garcia*	Lucien Hermann	Francis Calongne*	Joseph Lisbony†
1847	Felix Garcia	Robert Preaux	Francis Meilleur	Roman Brugier†
1848	{ Felix Garcia	{ Lucien Hermann	{ Thos. B. Patten*	{ Alexander Derbes
L. G. L.	{ M. R. Dudley*	{ Thomas H. Lewis	{ W. P. Coleman	{ G. Gorin
1849	{ Lucien Hermann	{ F. Calongne*	{ Antoine Mondelli	{ Simon Meilleur
L. G. L.	{ John Gedge*	{ John W. Crockett*	{ Wm. M. Perkins	{ J. W. McNamar
1850	Lucien Hermann	F. Calongne	Antoine Mondelli	George W. Catlett
1851	John Gedge	George W. Catlett	R. F. McGuire	Wm. L. Knox
1852	H. R. W. Hill*	Robert F. McGuire	Wm. L. Knox	S. M. Hart
1853	H. R. W. Hill	Wm. L. Knox	S. M. Hart	H. W. Huntington*
1854	Wm. M. Perkins	Wm. L. Knox	H. W. Huntington*	Geo. D. Shadburne
1855	Wm. M. Perkins	Geo. D. Shadburne	M. H. Dossou	Law. P. Crain*
1856	Wm. M. Perkins	M. H. Dossou	Louis Texada	S. O. Scruggs
1857	Wm. M. Perkins	Amos Adams*	A. S. Washburn	S. O. Scruggs
1858	Amos Adams*	Samuel M. Todd	S. O. Scruggs	A. J. Norwood
1859	Samuel M. Todd	S. O. Scruggs	A. J. Norwood	Joseph Santini
1860	J. Q. A. Fellows	A. G. Carter	John C. Gordy	Hy. Regenbarg

\* Dead. † Expelled by Grand Lodge for defalcation and swindling as Grand Treasurer. ‡ Not in good standing.

# STATISTICAL TABLE OF THE LODGES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE M. W. GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

Numerical Numbers.	NAMES OF LODGES.	Numbers.	Number of Members.	Initiated.	Passed.	Raised.	Affiliated.	Demitted.	Died.	Stricken from the Roll.	Suspended....	Expelled.	Reinstated.	Amount to Cr. previous to 1859.	Amount due previous to 1859.	Grand Lodge Dues, 1859.	Amount Paid.	Balance, Dr.	Balance, Cr.
1	PERFECT UNION.....	1	36	...	...	...	...	5	1	...	...	...	...	\$	\$	\$ 36 00	\$ 36 00	\$	\$
2	POLAR STAR.....	1	20	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	20 00	20 00	...	...
3	CONCORDE.....	3	32	4	6	6	1	3	1	...	...	1	8	...	...	48 00	48 00	...	...
4	PERSEVERANCE.....	4	29	4	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	39 00	39 00	...	...
5	LOS AMIGOS DEL ORDEN.....	5	52	7	7	7	1	7	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	73 00	72 00	1 00	...
6	ST. ANDREW.....	5	53	5	4	4	...	5	1	...	...	1	...	...	217 00	66 00	66 00	217 00	...
7	HUMBLE COTTAGE.....	19	41	8	8	7	...	3	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	64 00	64 00	...	...
8	ST. ALBANS.....	28	46	8	6	6	...	4	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	67 00	67 00	...	...
9	FELICIANA.....	31	48	5	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	7 28	...	54 00	46 72	...	...
10	PHOENIX.....	38	54	5	2	4	5	3	1	5	...	...	...	...	1 00	65 00	65 00	1 00	...
11	FOYER MAÇONNIQUE.....	44	74	12	16	16	3	6	1	3	...	4	...	...	...	118 00	118 00	...	...
12	JACKSON.....	45	38	7	6	7	1	4	1	1	...	...	...	...	0 72	58 00	58 72	...	...
13	GERMANIA.....	46	71	12	9	11	2	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	103 00	103 00	...	...
14	ST. JAMES.....	47	70	7	7	6	10	7	5	...	1	...	...	...	...	90 00	90 00	...	...
15	PROVIDENCE.....	50	43	6	6	6	8	5	4	...	1	...	...	...	6 00	61 00	67 00	...	...
16	MINDEN.....	51	65	2	5	5	3	8	2	...	...	...	...	...	3 00	77 00	80 00	...	...
17	OLIVE.....	52	99	22	24	22	6	10	3	1	...	1	...	...	5 82	172 00	172 82	...	...
18	UNION FRATERNAL.....	53	41	1	...	...	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	42 00	42 00	...	...
19	MOUNT GERIZIM.....	54	36	2	2	2	3	3	2	...	...	1	...	...	1 00	42 00	42 00	1 00	...
20	DE SOTO.....	55	69	13	12	10	8	6	1	...	...	1	...	...	168 21	104 00	104 00	168 21	...
21	LAFAYETTE.....	56	53	5	5	5	7	4	2	...	...	3	...	...	5 60	68 00	71 60	2 00	...
22	FRANKLIN.....	57	47	5	4	5	2	3	2	...	...	1	...	...	202 00	61 00	61 00	202 00	...
23	FRIENDS OF HARMONY.....	58	104	9	10	9	3	5	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	132 00	132 00	...	...
24	MOUNT MORIAH.....	59	229	31	26	24	8	5	4	...	1	3	...	...	...	310 00	310 00	...	...
25	WESTERN STAR.....	61	49	3	2	2	2	1	3	...	...	...	...	31 28	...	56 00	56 00	...	31 28
26	TUNICA.....	63	36	3	3	3	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	45 00	45 00	...	...
27	GEORGE WASHINGTON.....	65	118	9	8	10	4	3	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	145 00	145 00	...	...

28	DUDLEY.....	66	85	33	16	12	9	3	3	1	.....	.....	146 00	146 00	.....	.....
29	MARION.....	68	101	5	4	3	1	1	2	.....	4	.....	113 00	113 00	.....	.....
30	HIRAM.....	70	57	8	7	5	3	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	77 00	77 00	.....	.....
31	ALPHA.....	72	58	4	2	1	.....	6	.....	4	.....	.....	65 00	65 00	.....	.....
32	SABINE.....	75	29	6	3	3	2	.....	1	1	.....	3 05	41 00	35 00	2 95	.....
33	QUITMAN.....	76	88	23	15	11	7	4	3	.....	1	.....	137 00	137 00	.....	.....
34	MOUNT MORIAH.....	77	29	3	4	3	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	39 00	39 00	.....	.....
35	ORLEANS.....	78	81	2	6	6	1	7	2	1	.....	.....	95 00	95 00	.....	.....
36	ST. JOSEPH.....	79	42	3	4	3	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	52 00	50 00	2 00	.....
37	DE WITT CLINTON.....	80	25	1	1	1	.....	2	1	2	1	0 38	28 00	.....	27 62	.....
38	MOUNT VERNON.....	83	24	6	5	3	4	3	.....	.....	.....	0 23	38 00	40 00	.....	2 23
39	OLIVER.....	84	34	3	3	3	7	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	43 00	43 00	.....	.....
40	LAFAYETTE.....	87	19	4	.....	.....	1	3	1	.....	.....	.....	23 00	23 00	.....	.....
41	MANY.....	88	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	299 72	25 00	132 00	192 72	.....
42	CYPRESS.....	89	54	3	3	1	3	2	1	.....	.....	0 82	61 00	61 82	.....	.....
43	THIBODAUX BENEVOLENT.....	90	39	7	5	5	1	.....	2	1	.....	.....	56 00	58 00	.....	2 00
44	MONTICELLO.....	92	51	9	9	8	4	1	2	.....	2	.....	1 72	77 00	77 72	1 00
45	NAPOLEON*.....	94	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
46	ST. HELENA.....	96	59	11	11	10	5	3	3	.....	.....	.....	91 00	91 00	.....	.....
47	PATMOS*+.....	97	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 60	.....	.....	3 60	.....
48	HERMITAGE.....	98	42	6	4	4	1	1	1	3	.....	.....	56 00	56 00	.....	.....
49	HENDERSON.....	99	22	2	3	3	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	30 00	.....	.....
50	FRANKLINTON.....	101	52	5	6	9	.....	5	.....	7	1	0 86	72 00	72 00	0 86	.....
51	LOUISIANA.....	102	54	11	12	11	5	4	1	.....	.....	.....	88 00	88 00	.....	.....
52	CLOUTIERVILLE.....	103	12	1	4	4	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	21 00	21 00	.....	.....
53	MOUNT LEBANON.....	104	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	56 08	22 00	78 08	.....	.....
54	TRINITY.....	105	48	4	.....	.....	1	1	3	.....	2	.....	52 00	48 00	4 00	.....
55	VIENNA.....	106	58	7	4	6	2	2	1	1	1	.....	75 00	75 00	.....	.....
56	SPARTA.....	108	43	12	11	14	3	2	.....	.....	.....	0 42	80 00	79 58	.....	.....
57	CASTOR.....	109	34	1	.....	.....	3	2	.....	4	3	.....	35 00	35 00	.....	.....
58	HARRISONBURG.....	110	39	.....	1	.....	.....	2	.....	4	.....	.....	40 00	40 00	.....	.....
59	URIM.....	111	48	1	1	1	.....	6	.....	1	.....	.....	51 00	51 00	.....	.....
60	BARTHOLOMEW.....	112	51	5	4	4	4	7	1	1	.....	.....	64 00	64 00	.....	.....
61	THOMAS JEFFERSON.....	113	31	1	2	2	3	3	.....	.....	.....	113 26	36 00	100 00	49 26	.....
62	FRIENDSHIP.....	114	32	4	4	4	4	12	.....	.....	.....	0 89	44 00	.....	44 89	.....
63	SHREVEPORT.....	115	46	9	7	9	12	1	1	.....	.....	.....	71 00	71 00	.....	.....

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NAMES OF LODGES.	Numerical Numbers.
64 ACACIA.....	116
65 MILFORD .....	117
66 TERRVILLE*.....	118
67 CONSTANTINE.....	119
68 DEERFIELD .....	120
69 LISBON .....	121
70 MACKY .....	122
71 LIBERTY .....	123
72 KELLEETOWN.....	124
73 PEARL RIVER.....	125
74 ARCADIA .....	126
75 SPRINGHILL.....	127
76 DAWSON .....	129
77 SOLOMON .....	130
78 SHILOH .....	131
79 WARREN .....	132
80 GORDY*.....	133
81 HARRY HILL.....	134
82 PLAINS .....	135
83 ATHENS .....	136
84 JEFFERSONIAN+ .....	138
85 HOUMA .....	139
86 COOL SPRING.....	140
87 HUNTINGTON.....	141
88 HOME .....	142
89 DOWNSVILLE.....	143
90 OCEAN .....	144



91 HOPE.....	145	23	1	2	2	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	28 00	28 00	.....	.....	
92 SILENT BROTHERHOOD.....	146	18	3	2	1	5	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	24 00	24 00	.....	.....	
93 ANACOCO.....	147	29	3	5	6	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	0 86	43 00	43 86	.....	.....	
94 RED LAND.....	148	36	6	5	5	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7 00	52 00	59 00	.....	.....	
95 DARLINGTON.....	149	26	5	6	5	3	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	0 86	42 00	42 86	.....	.....	
96 PERKINS.....	150	30	6	5	5	2	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	46 00	46 00	.....	.....	
97 EASTERN STAR.....	151	57	19	15	16	5	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1 85	107 00	108 85	.....	.....	
98 HOMER.....	152	42	7	5	3	19	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	57 00	57 00	.....	.....	
99 SAINTS JOHN.....	153	40	9	9	8	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	66 00	66 00	.....	.....	
100 FILLMORE.....	154	36	2	2	1	5	1	2	...	...	...	...	3 00	...	41 00	38 00	.....	.....	
101 CHERRY RIDGE.....	155	24	6	5	6	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	41 00	41 00	.....	.....	
102 KISSATCHIE.....	156	19	1	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0 86	20 00	20 00	0 86	.....	
103 GROSSE TETE.....	157	15	2	5	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	26 00	26 00	.....	.....	
104 RAPIDES.....	158	37	1	5	7	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0 97	50 00	50 00	0 97	.....	
105 MORGANZA.....	159	33	8	7	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	54 00	51 00	3 00	.....	
106 LIVINGSTON.....	160	27	3	4	3	3	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	37 00	37 00	.....	.....	
107 BROOKVILLE.....	G. D.	22	9	9	4	10	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	22 00	22 00	.....	.....	
108 BURNSVILLE.....	"	24	20	15	11	4	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	0 86	70 00	70 86	.....	.....	
109 ATCHAFALAYA.....	"	20	10	8	5	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	43 00	43 00	.....	.....	
110 COLUMBIA.....	"	19	8	4	4	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	35 00	35 00	.....	.....	
111 LAKE CHARLES.....	"	14	9	8	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	38 00	38 00	.....	.....	
* No Returns. † Charter surrendered TOTAL.....	4661	631	540	500	324	281	160	55	9	12	37	83	56	1510	99	6315 00	6562 29	1220 37	40 51

## SPECIAL NOTICE.

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THE attention of Masters and Secretaries is especially directed to the above Statistical Table of Constituent Lodges. In it will be found a full statement of their account with the Grand Lodge; and all those owing balances are requested to transmit them as soon as possible, in order that the remaining balance due on account of the Grand Lodge Hall may be cancelled as rapidly as possible, and prevent the further and continued payment of interest.

# ABSTRACT AND STATISTICS FROM PROCEEDINGS

GRAND LODGES.	GRAND MASTERS.		GRAND SECRETARIES.		DATE OF PROCEEDINGS RECEIVED AND STATISTICS TAKEN.
	NAMES.	RESIDENCES.	NAMES.	RESIDENCES.	
ALABAMA.....	R. H. Ervin.....	Camden.....	Daniel Sayre.....	Montgomery.....	Dec. 5, 1859
ARKANSAS.....	E. H. English.....	Little Rock.....	T. D. Merriek.....	Little Rock.....	Nov. 7, 1859
CALIFORNIA.....	N. Greene Curtis.....	Sacramento.....	Alexander G. Abell..	San Francisco....	May 10, 1859
CONNECTICUT.....	John C. Blackman.....	Bridgeport.....	Eliphalet G. Storer..	New Haven.....	May 11, 1859
DELAWARE.....	John R. McFee.....	Georgetown.....	Wm. S. Hayes.....	Wilmington.....	June 27, 1859
DIS. OF COLUMBIA.	George C. Whiting.....	Washington.....	G. A. Schwarzman.....	Washington.....	Dec. 1858
FLORIDA.....	D. C. Dawkins.....	Greenwood, W. F.	John B. Taylor.....	Tallahassee.....	Jan. 9, 1860
GEORGIA.....	Wm. S. Rockwell.....	Savannah.....	Simri Rose.....	Macon.....	Oct. 26, 1858
ILLINOIS.....	Ira A. W. Buck.....	Aurora.....	H. G. Reynolds.....	Springfield.....	Oct. 4, 1859
INDIANA.....	Alex. C. Downey.....	Rising Sun.....	Francis King.....	Indianapolis.....	May 23, 1859
IOWA.....	James R. Hartsock.....	Iowa City.....	Theo. S. Parvin.....	Muscataine.....	June 7, 1859
KANSAS.....	Richard R. Rees.....	Leavenworth City	Charles Mundee.....	Ft. Leavenworth	Oct. 18, 1858
KENTUCKY.....	H. T. Wilson.....	Sherburne.....	J. M. S. McCorkle.....	Greensburg.....	Oct. 11, 1858
LOUISIANA.....	J. Q. A. Fellows.....	New Orleans.....	Samuel G. Risk.....	New Orleans.....	Feb. 13, 1860
MAINE.....	Hiram Chase.....	Belfast.....	Ira Berry.....	Portland.....	May 3, 1859
MARYLAND.....	Anthony Kimmel.....	Frederick.....	Joseph Robinson.....	Baltimore.....	Nov. 21, 1859
MASSACHUSETTS..	Winslow Lewis.....	Boston.....	Charles W. Moore.....	Boston.....	Dec. 27, 1858
MICHIGAN.....	Wm. L. Greenly.....	Adrian.....	James Fenton.....	Detroit.....	Jan. 11, 1860
MINNESOTA.....	A. T. C. Pierson.....	St. Paul.....	George W. Prescott..	St. Paul.....	Oct. 25, 1859
MISSISSIPPI.....	David Mitchell.....	Goodman.....	R. W. T. Daniel.....	Jackson.....	Jan. 17, 1859
MISSOURI.....	Marcus Boyd.....	Springfield.....	A. O'Sullivan.....	St. Louis.....	May 23, 1859
NEBRASKA.....	Robert C. Jordan.....	Omaha.....	R. W. Furnas.....	Brownville.....	June 14, 1859
NEW HAMPSHIRE..	Moses Paul.....	Dover.....	Horace Chase.....	Hopkinton.....	June 8, 1859
NEW JERSEY.....	Isaac Van Wagner.....	Patterson.....	Joseph H. Hough.....	Trenton.....	Jan. 12, 1859
NEW YORK.....	John L. Lewis, Jr.....	Penn Yan.....	Jas. M. Austin, M.D..	New York City..	June 7, 1859
NORTH CAROLINA.	Alfred Martin.....	Wilmington.....	Wm. T. Bain.....	Raleigh.....	Dec. 6, 1858
OHIO.....	Horace M. Stokes.....	Lebanon.....	John D. Caldwell.....	Cincinnati.....	Oct. 18, 1859
OREGON.....	Amory Holbrook.....	Oregon City.....	T. McF. Patton.....	Salem.....	June 13, 1859
PENNSYLVANIA...	Henry M. Philips.....	Philadelphia.....	W. H. Adams.....	Philadelphia.....	Dec. 27, 1858
RHODE ISLAND....	Jervis J. Smith.....	Chepachet.....	Thos. A. Doyle.....	Providence.....	June 24, 1859
SOUTH CAROLINA..	Henry Buist.....	Charleston.....	Alb't G. Mackey.....	Charleston.....	Nov. 16, 1858
TENNESSEE.....	John Frizzell.....	Winchester.....	Charles A. Fuller.....	Nashville.....	Oct. 3, 1859
TEXAS.....	James F. Taylor.....	Marshall.....	A. S. Ruthven.....	Galveston.....	June 13, 1859
VERMONT.....	Philip C. Tucker.....	Vergennes.....	John B. Hollenbeck..	Burlington.....	Jan. 12, 1859
VIRGINIA.....	John R. McDaniel.....	Lynchburg.....	John Dove.....	Richmond.....	Dec. 12, 1859
WISCONSIN.....	Luther M. Tracy.....	Milwaukee.....	James B. Kellogg.....	Milwaukee.....	June 14, 1859
WASHINGTON Ter.	James Biles.....	Olympia.....	T. M. Reed.....	Olympia.....	Sept. 5, 1859
TOTAL.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

# OF GRAND LODGES OF THE UNITED STATES, ETC.

WHERE HELD.	WHEN ORGANIZED.	CONVENTION WHERE HELD.	LODGES IN CONVENTION.	LODGES EXCLUDED.	LODGES MAKING RETURNS.	MEMBERS RETURNED.	INITIATIONS.	AFFILIATIONS.	DEMISSIONS.	DEATHS.	SUSPENSIONS.	EXPULSIONS.	GRAND LODGE DUES.
Montgomery.....	June 14, 1821	Cahawba.....	9	264	236	8,468	398	351	782	102	33	31	\$3,892 00
Little Rock.....	Feb. 22, 1832	Little Rock.....	4	127	96	3,816	459	179	68	76	34	17	2,510 00
Sacramento.....	April 11, 1850	San Francisco..	2	123	123	4,727	814	438	768	35	12	16	7,959 00
Hartford.....	July 8, 1789	New Haven.....	12	57	56	5,224	532	33	72	59	5	6	418 00
Wilmington.....	June 6, 1806	Wilmington....	5	12	12	505	57	9	30	8	1	...	219 00
Washington.....	Dec. 11, 1810	Washington....	5	11	11	683	132	20	33	9	6	...	593 00
Tallahassee.....	July 5, 1830	Tallahassee....	2	39	31	1,682	214	.....	6	29	3	2	1,571 00
Macon.....	Dec. 16, 1786	Savannah.....	.....	208	188	12,310	1,247	322	644	81	305	60	9,392 00
Springfield.....	April 6, 1840	Jacksonville....	5	321	316	12,053	1,913	589	712	117	216	82	8,175 00
Indianapolis.....	Jan. 12, 1818	Madison.....	6	252	249	9,382	1,278	347	668	105	291	52	8,202 00
Davenport.....	Jan. 8, 1844	Iowa City.....	4	142	131	4,577	592	316	332	38	70	49	2,700 00
Leavenworth City	Mar. 17, 1856	Leavenworth....	3	9	8	280	94	38	24	3	13	...	140 00
Lexington.....	Oct. 16, 1800	Lexington.....	5	308	295	11,269	1,215	.....	126	207	36	...	10,544 00
New Orleans.....	July 11, 1812	New Orleans....	5	111	107	4,661	631	324	281	100	9	12	6,315 00
Portland.....	June 1, 1820	Portland.....	24	91	91	3,762	668	.....	58	30	9	...	900 00
Baltimore.....	April 17, 1787	Baltimore.....	5	38	36	1,983	102	.....	48	10	3	1	1,106 00
Boston.....	July 30, 1733	Boston.....	3	110	110	6,741	1,188	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Detroit.....	June 28, 1826	Detroit.....	4	115	114	5,816	955	.....	225	62	154	28	2,299 00
Saint Paul.....	Feb. 23, 1853	Saint Paul.....	3	30	20	873	84	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	437 00
Jackson.....	July 27, 1818	Natchez.....	3	214	196	7,592	937	335	585	129	329	21	9,022 00
St. Louis.....	April 23, 1821	Saint Louis.....	3	180	165	6,916	959	316	538	98	70	31	7,081 00
Bellevue.....	Sept. 23, 1857	Omaha City....	3	6	6	158	.....	.....	17	.....	1	.....	230 00
Concord.....	July 8, 1789	Portsmouth....	3	42	38	2,059	326	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,358 00
Trenton.....	Dec. 18, 1786	N. Brunswick..	.....	52	52	2,432	301	.....	89	27	43	2	1,310 00
New York City...	Dec. 2, 1782	New York City..	8	429	412	28,270	3,920	604	896	264	108	31	13,709 00
Raleigh.....	Jan. 14, 1771	Newbern.....	.....	130	113	5,742	445	86	206	105	25	18	1,816 00
Columbus.....	Jan. 4, 1808	Chillicothe.....	6	285	273	12,866	1,544	423	696	125	55	55	6,290 00
Eugene City.....	Aug. 16, 1851	Oregon City....	3	26	21	623	109	37	35	5	4	1	853 00
Philadelphia.....	June 20, 1764	Philadelphia....	13	161	.....	11,823	1,623	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17,500 00
Providence.....	June 27, 1791	Newport.....	2	16	16	1,391	169	13	1	23	.....	1	444 00
Charleston.....	Jan. 1, 1787	Charleston.....	5	77	71	2,600	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	2	2,235 00
Nashville.....	Oct. 14, 1813	Knoxville.....	7	213	199	9,147	1,171	.....	143	.....	39	.....	3,636 00
Crockett.....	Dec. 20, 1837	Houston.....	3	211	194	7,160	912	451	478	89	88	19	7,244 00
Burlington.....	Oct. 14, 1794	Rutland.....	5	48	48	2,410	.....	.....	31	21	1	4	676 00
Richmond.....	May 6, 1777	Williamsburg..	5	178	148	6,167	.....	.....	.....	70	86	17	1,564 00
Milwaukee.....	Dec. 18, 1843	Madison.....	3	96	95	3,363	673	146	300	28	167	14	2,337 00
Olympia.....	Dec. 9, 1858	Olympia.....	4	4	4	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	4736	4281	209,671	25,862	5377	8562	2148	2371	657	144,686 00

# FOREIGN MASONIC BODIES WITH WHICH THE GRAND LODGE OF LOUISIANA IS IN FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE.

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GRAND LODGE OF CANADA .....	William Mercer Wilson.....Simcoe, C. W.	Thomas B. Harris.....Hamilton, C. W.
UNITED GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND .....	Rt. Hon. Earl of Zetland.....Freemasons' Hall, London	Wm. Gray Clarke....Freemasons' Hall, London, W. C.
GRAND LODGE OF IRELAND.....	His Grace the Duke of Leinster..Freemasons' Hall, Dublin	Hon. George Hancock.....Freemasons' Hall, Dublin
<b>Provincial Grand Lodges under Ireland :</b>		
North Antrim (Northern Division).....	Andrew Todd Dickey.....	David McKillop.....
North Antrim (Southern Division).....	Andrew Todd Dickey.....	George A Carruthers.....Belfast.
Belfast and North Down.....	Marquis of Donegal.....Belfast	George F. Echlin.....
South Down.....	Lieut. Col. William Forde.....	John Price.....Donegal.
Londonderry and Donegal.....	Sir James Stewart, Bart.....	William Penrose.....Cork.
Munster (Cork).....	Major General Sir James C. Chatterton, Bart.....	Edward W. Maunsell.....Limerick.
North Munster (Limerick).....	Michael Furnell.....Limerick	José Maria R. Grillo.....
Portugal.....	Dr. F. G. da S. Pereira.....	
Victoria (Melbourne).....	John Thomas Smith.....Melbourne	
New South Wales (Sidney).....	George Thornton.....Sidney	
New Zealand (Auckland).....	Cormack Patrick O'Rafferty.....Auckland	
South Australia (Adelaide).....	John Tuthill Bagot.....Adelaide	
GRAND LODGE OF SCOTLAND.....	His Grace the Duke of Athol.....Edinburgh	William A. Laurie.....Edinburgh.
GRAND ORIENT OF FRANCE.....	Prince Lucien Murat.....Paris	E. Rexès.....16 Rue Cadet, Paris.
GRAND ORIENT OF BELGIUM.....		L. Theremin.....Bruxelles.
GRAND ORIENT OF BRAZIL.....		Joaquin de Gouvea.....
GRAND ORIENT HESPERIC OF SPAIN.....		Coriolan.....
GRAND ORIENT OF PASSOS MANUEL, OPORTO.....		
GRAND ROYAL YORK LODGE OF PRUSSIA.....		M. C. Bier.....Berlin.
GRAND LODGE OF THREE GLOBES OF PRUSSIA.....		E. C. P. Evert.....Berlin.
GRAND LODGE OF FRANKFORT ON THE MAINE.....		
NATIONAL GRAND LODGE OF GERMANY.....		D. G. Bush.....Berlin.
GRAND LODGE OF HANOVER.....		
GRAND LODGE OF SAXONY.....		
GRAND LODGE OF THE SUN OF BAVARIA.....		
GRAND LODGE OF HAMBURG*.....		
GRAND LODGE OF DENMARK.....		
GRAND LODGE OF HESSE DARMSTADT.....		
NATIONAL GRAND LODGE OF HOLLAND.....		
NATIONAL GRAND LODGE OF SWEDEN.....		J. Hogenbuch.....
NATIONAL ALPINE LODGE OF SWITZERLAND.....		
PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF BAHIA.....		
GRAND LODGE OF TURKEY.....	C. G. Carrer, LL.D.....Smyrna	F. Turrell.....Smyrna.

\* This Body is not recognized by us, for reasons stated in our Grand Lodge Proceedings of 1852, page 75—1853, p. 93—1854, p. 45—1856, p. 73—1859, Appendix, p. 97.

# APPENDIX.

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BY-LAWS FOR SUBORDINATE LODGES.

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RESOLUTIONS

ON

DEATH OF PAST GRAND MASTER AMOS ADAMS.

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REPORT OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OF

GRAND LODGE HALL.

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SUSPENSIONS, EXPULSIONS, DEATHS.

## TO SUBORDINATE LODGES.

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Having often been written to by officers of Lodges for a CODE OF BY-LAWS, for their use, I would call their special attention to the following CODE, prepared in accordance with the Constitution and Regulations of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge. I have prefixed all parts of the Constitution and General Regulations of the Grand Lodge, relating to Constituent Lodges, and respectfully suggest that they be so printed by Lodges having their By-Laws printed.

Respectfully and fraternally,

SAM'L G. RISK, Grand Secretary.

# CONSTITUTION OF THE GRAND LODGE

RELATIVE TO

## CONSTITUENT LODGES.

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### ARTICLE VII.

#### Of the Constituent Lodges.

SECTION 1. Every regular Lodge of Symbolic Freemasonry in this State must be held by virtue of a Charter of this Grand Lodge, or Dispensation of the Grand Lodge or Grand Master ; each chartered Lodge to be registered and numbered according to the date of its Charter, nor shall it proceed to work until it shall have first been constituted and consecrated, and its officers duly installed. All Charters shall be exactly uniform.

SEC. 2. The Constituent Lodges shall be composed of those named in their Charters, and such Brothers as they shall admit by regular affiliation or shall raise to the sublime degree of Master Mason.

SEC. 3. The officers of each Lodge shall consist of a Master, Senior and Junior Wardens, Treasurer and Secretary, Senior and Junior Deacons, and Tyler, and such other officers as may be deemed necessary by the Lodge ; the first five of the above named officers must be chosen by ballot, and all except the Tyler, must be members of the Lodge. In all elections, both in the Grand Lodge and in the Constituent Lodges, a majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to an election. No Brother can be elected Master of a Lodge unless he has served as Warden, while a Past Master or Warden is willing to accept the office.

SEC. 4 Every chartered Lodge shall have the right to confer the three degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft, and Master Mason, according to the ancient customs and rites of the Order, and to do all

other acts pertaining to Masonry, not in any way conflicting with this Constitution, the Laws and Edicts of this Grand Lodge, or the ancient usages and customs of the Fraternity.

SEC. 5. Dispensations for new Lodges shall be granted only upon the petition, in writing, of at least seven Master Masons, in good standing, recommended by the nearest Chartered Lodge to the residence of the petitioners; which recommendation must also certify that the first three officers named in the petition, are known to be fully competent to confer the three degrees of Symbolic Masonry; and each petition must be accompanied with the certificate of demit or good standing of each petitioner.

SEC. 6. Lodges working Under Dispensation, may exercise all the rights of chartered Lodges, except that of electing their three first officers and sending Representatives to the Grand Lodge. At the expiration of the Masonic year, they shall send up a correct transcript of their work, etc., under such regulations as the Grand Lodge may determine.

SEC. 7. Lodges which shall fail to make their returns and pay their dues, shall not be entitled to be represented in the Grand Lodge; and all Lodges which shall have failed to make their returns and pay their dues, or to hold their regular meetings and elect their officers, or to be represented in the Grand Lodge, for two successive years, shall forfeit their Charter, which shall be cancelled, and all their books, jewels, implements and property shall revert to the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 8. Each chartered Lodge shall be entitled to three votes in the Grand Lodge, through its Representatives or their proxies; and in case of the absence of one or more of said Representatives, the vote or votes of those absent shall be cast by the senior Representative present.

## ARTICLE VIII.

### Dues, Contributions and Fees.

SECTION 1. Each chartered Lodge shall pay to the Grand Lodge one dollar for each member borne on its Register during the year, and all Lodges one dollar for each degree conferred.

SEC. 2. The sum of fifty dollars shall be charged for each Dispensation, and the same sum for each Charter, issued by the Grand



Lodge, for the formation of a new Lodge, out of each of which sums the Grand Secretary shall be allowed five dollars as the fees of his office.

SEC. 3. The Lodges in New Orleans shall not charge less than fifty dollars for conferring the three degrees of Apprentice, Fellow Craft, and Master Mason; nor Lodges in the other Parishes of the State a sum less than thirty dollars; and in no case shall credit be given. The Lodges may charge such sums for affiliation and dues of members as each may think proper.

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## GENERAL REGULATIONS

OF

## THE GRAND LODGE.

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### CHAPTER II.—OF THE CONSTITUENT LODGES.

#### ARTICLE I.

##### Special Rights and Duties of Constituent Lodges.

SECTION 1. Every chartered Lodge shall elect its officers once a year; said election to be held in the month of December, and the officers elect shall be installed on or before the Anniversary of St. John the Evangelist, and said officers shall remain in office until their successors are duly elected and installed.

SEC. 2. Each Lodge shall hold at least one Communication in each month, except (at the option of the Lodge) in the months of July, August and September, and may hold as many other Communications as the Lodge may order; but at no special meeting shall any other business be transacted than the reading and approval of the minutes, granting charity, or the conferring of degrees, except such business as the Lodge may have been especially called to consider.

SEC. 3. Each Lodge shall keep a true record of all its transactions proper to be written ; a proper book of accounts between the Lodge and its members, and a book containing a full roll of its members, and exact copies of all its returns to the Grand Lodge ; which books, as well as all the papers and documents of the Lodge, shall be open to the inspection of the Grand Lodge, the Grand Master, or his Deputy, whenever required.

SEC. 4. Each chartered Lodge shall have a seal, with the name, number and location of the Lodge engraved thereon, together with such device as it may choose ; with which all returns to the Grand Lodge, and all attested documents issued by the Lodge, shall be sealed.

SEC. 5. The first three officers of each chartered Lodge, after they shall have been duly installed, shall, each of them, have power to appoint proxies to represent them in the Grand Lodge in case of their absence therefrom, and who shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of the officers they represent, and must be Master Masons, in good standing, and members of some Lodge under this jurisdiction, and who hold no office in the Grand Lodge, nor represent any other Lodge therein.

SEC. 6. The W. M. and Wardens of each Lodge shall constitute a Relief Committee, and shall visit and attend the sick and distressed worthy Brethren, their Widows and Orphans, living in the vicinity of the Lodge, and contribute such assistance as their circumstances may require and the funds of the Lodge will permit.

SEC. 7. Each Lodge may take cognizance of the conduct of Masons living within its jurisdiction and not belonging to another Lodge of this Grand Lodge, and try and punish them for Masonic offences committed within its jurisdiction, or such as may be referred to it by the foreign regular Lodge where the offence was committed.

SEC. 8. Whenever a Brother Master Mason, in good standing, shall have expressed his desire that the usual Masonic burial service shall be performed over his remains, or when his nearest relatives, family or friends request it, it shall be the duty of the Lodge to which he belonged, or (if a sojourning Brother) in whose jurisdiction he shall have died, to attend his funeral and perform the services.

SEC. 9. Each chartered Lodge shall make annual returns to the Grand Lodge, of all their proceedings for the year, ending the 31st day of December, and pay their dues, which shall be delivered to the

Grand Secretary at least one week prior to the time fixed for the Annual Grand Communication, under the liability of the suspension of the Lodge.

SEC. 10. These returns shall contain an alphabetical list of all its members, borne on the register during the year, and their places of residence; the time at which any one may have affiliated, demitted, died, been suspended or expelled, giving the name of the Lodge to which the brother affiliated last belonged, and that in which he received his degrees. The returns shall also contain a list of the newly elected officers, the signatures of the Master, Wardens and Secretary, the amount of dues to the Grand Lodge, and the exact date at which each meeting of the Lodge was held during the year; they shall also exhibit the dates at which each degree was conferred, and the name, residence and profession or business of each recipient; *the whole according to printed forms to be furnished by the Grand Lodge.*

SEC. 11. Lodges held Under Dispensation shall make the returns required of the Chartered Lodges, and, in addition, send up a correct transcript of their proceedings, and a copy of their By-Laws, and their Dispensation, with a petition for a Charter, if the same be desired. They shall be entitled to send a Delegate to represent their interests in the Grand Lodge, to be chosen from among their own members, but said Delegate shall be allowed no vote.

## ARTICLE II.

### Initiations and Affiliations.

SECTION 1. Every candidate for initiation into Masonry must be twenty-one years of age, make his application in writing, and sign his name to the same, in which shall be set forth his name in full, his age, place of birth, actual place of residence, occupation, his motive for applying, with a pledge of honor that he believes in God, and that no unworthy motive, selfish consideration, persuasion, or influence, has induced him to make the application. This petition must be vouched for and recommended by at least two members in good standing of the Lodge to which the application is made, and which they shall do only on their own personal knowledge of the applicant.

SEC. 2. This petition shall, when received, be referred to a committee of three members of the Lodge, who shall make strict inquiry

into the truth of all matters contained in the petition, and the moral character and qualifications of the applicant, and report to the Lodge, in writing, the exact result of their investigations.

SEC. 3. When their report is made, if four weeks have elapsed since the petition was received, and on no consideration before that time, the Lodge may proceed to ballot on the application, which ballot must be unanimous in his favor, or the petitioner shall be declared rejected: *provided*, that should but one negative ballot appear, a second ballot shall be taken immediately, that any mistake, if one occurred, may be corrected; but in no case shall an unfavorable ballot be reconsidered, nor shall any attempt be made, in any manner, to discover the Brother who shall have cast a negative ballot. At least seven members of the Lodge shall be present when a ballot is taken, and all the members present shall be required to vote.

SEC. 4. A separate ballot shall be required for each degree; and, if the ballot be favorable, it shall entitle the applicant to receive the degree for which he was balloted; but no degree, after the first, shall be conferred until the applicant shall have proved himself, by examination in open Lodge, to be well versed and proficient in the degree or degrees which he may have taken—the ballot for advancement to be taken immediately after the examination.

SEC. 5. Should any Brother prefer charges against a Brother who has received a portion only of the degrees to which he has been elected, he shall not be allowed to proceed until the charges are investigated and the Brother acquitted. The trial of such charges must be had in the Lodge, opened in the highest degree to which the Brother has advanced, and conducted in all other respects as is hereinafter provided for the trial, etc., of members of the Lodge. Should he be convicted, and suspended or expelled, he cannot be advanced until after the punishment is remitted or has expired, nor then without the unanimous vote of the Lodge.

SEC. 6. Applications for initiation or affiliation cannot be withdrawn after they have been referred to a committee, but the ballot shall be taken thereon, whether the committee report favorably or not.

SEC. 7. Should the petition for affiliation, initiation or degrees be rejected, the applicant shall not re-apply to any Lodge under this jurisdiction before the expiration of six months from the date of the rejection, nor then in any other Lodge than the one in which he first

applied, without receiving the recommendation of *at least five members* of the Lodge by which he was rejected, two of whom must be of the first three officers of the Lodge; and the Secretary shall immediately notify the Grand Secretary of every rejection in the Lodge, which notice the Grand Secretary shall, within one month after the receipt of the same, forward to each Lodge in this jurisdiction.

SEC. 8. The Secretary shall immediately notify all the Lodges in the same parish, of the reception of any petition for initiation, affiliation, or the degrees, giving the name, actual residence, age and occupation of the applicant, and the names of the committee to whom the same has been referred.

SEC. 9. No Lodge shall receive the petition of a Brother who shall have previously received a part of the degrees in another Lodge, without first having obtained the consent of such Lodge, if the same be still in existence, and in all other respects shall proceed as with other applications.

SEC. 10. All applications for initiation, degrees or affiliation must be made to the Lodge most convenient to the residence of the applicant—Lodges in the city of New Orleans excepted.

SEC. 11. Applications for affiliation must be made in a similar manner to those for initiation, and take the same course. The petition shall also state the Lodge in which the applicant received his degrees, and be accompanied by a *certificate* of demit and good standing from the Lodge to which he last belonged, unless good and satisfactory reasons shall appear why the same cannot be obtained.

### ARTICLE III.

#### Of Trials, Punishments and Appeals.

SECTION 1. All charges of unmasonic conduct against a Brother must be in writing, and clearly specify the offence or offences complained of, be signed by the party making them, contain the names and residences of the witnesses, and be presented to the Worshipful Master of the Lodge to which the Brother accused belongs, or in whose jurisdiction he may reside, if a sojourning Brother. The Worshipful Master shall then, without making known to the Lodge the nature of the charges, or the names of any of the parties thereto, submit the same to a committee of three members of the Lodge, to be by him appointed, who shall investigate the matter, and endeavor to reconcile the parties making the charges and the accused, if the

matters be merely personal ; and should they fail to effect an amicable arrangement, or the charges be of such a nature as to require the action of the Lodge, they shall report accordingly.

SEC. 2. When the committee have reported that a trial is necessary, the Secretary of the Lodge shall serve upon the accused a copy of the charges, the names of the witnesses relied upon to prove the same, and summon him to appear and answer the charges, in writing, within ten days from the time the same shall have been served upon him, and to furnish the names and residences of such witnesses as he may wish to examine in his defence.

SEC. 3. After the expiration of ten days, whether the accused has answered or not, the Lodge shall fix a time for the trial, and summon all the members of the Lodge then living in its jurisdiction, the party accused, and all the witnesses who are Masons, to appear at the time appointed ; and should there be witnesses who cannot attend the Lodge, the Worshipful Master shall appoint a committee of three members to take the testimony of such witnesses. This committee shall give due notice to the accused of the time and place of taking such testimony, shall reduce the same to writing, and cause it to be affirmed to by the party giving it.

SEC. 4. At the hour fixed upon, the trial shall commence ; and after the charges shall have been read, and all the testimony heard of the witnesses named, and of such others as may have been discovered, the accused shall be allowed to speak in his defence or avail himself of the assistance of some Brother to speak for him. He shall then retire, and the Lodge shall proceed at once, and without debate, to ballot on the guilt or innocence of the accused, taking a separate ballot on each specific charge.

SEC. 5. If found guilty, the ballot shall then be taken in the following order on the different degrees of punishment : 1st, expulsion ; 2d, indefinite suspension ; 3d, suspension for a fixed period of time, taking the ballot first on the longest period proposed ; and 4th, reproof or reprimand. An absolute majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to convict ; three-fourths to expel ; two-thirds to suspend, and a majority to reprove or reprimand. And in no case shall a brother be allowed to vote who was not present at the commencement and during the whole progress of the trial.

SEC. 6. Whenever the accused cannot be found, or fails to answer or appear, the Worshipful Master shall appoint some brother to appear for him, with whom all the proceedings shall be contradictory.

rily conducted; but should any brother be convicted during his absence, and without having been notified of the charges preferred against him, he shall, on his return and demanding it, have a new trial granted him.

SEC. 7. When any brother shall have been convicted and sentenced, he shall, on giving notice in writing, be allowed an appeal to the Grand Lodge; whereupon the Lodge shall forward to the Grand Secretary a full and attested copy of all the proceedings, documents and testimony in the case, and such testimony as has not been reduced to writing shall be taken by a committee of the Lodge in the same manner as is provided in Section 3 of this Article; but no appeal shall be allowed if the party convicted permit an Annual Grand Communication to intervene without giving the required notice of his intention to appeal.

SEC. 8. If a sentence of expulsion or suspension be reversed by the Grand Lodge, it shall not restore the party to membership in his Lodge without the unanimous ballot of the Lodge in his favor. Nor shall a brother who has been expelled be restored to Masonic privileges, except by the Grand Lodge, and on the recommendation of the Lodge which expelled him.

SEC. 9. No Lodge shall give any other notice of the expulsion or suspension of a brother, than to the Grand Secretary, which it shall do immediately, and the Grand Secretary shall, within one month after receiving the same, send notice thereof to each Lodge in this jurisdiction, and to each Grand Lodge.

### CHAPTER III.—MISCELLANEOUS.

#### ARTICLE III.

##### Particular Provisions.

SECTION 1. No Master Mason who shall live in the vicinity of a Lodge under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge for the space of one year, and who shall be able to pay the dues required by said Lodge, and shall neglect to affiliate with such Lodge, unless he shall be a member in good standing of a Lodge under some other jurisdiction, shall be allowed the right of visit; to assist at any of the public ceremonies and processions of the Order; be entitled to Masonic burial, or to receive relief for himself or family from the Charity Funds of the Order.

SEC. 2. The Constituent Lodges may strike from the roll of their

members, any brother who shall be able and fail to pay his regular dues and contributions to the Lodge for the space of one year; provided, that the brother whose name is so stricken off, may renew his membership at any time within six months after he shall have been notified of the same, by paying all arrearages against him, including the time for which his name was stricken from the roll; but should he fail to renew his membership within the six months after notification, he shall not be allowed to do so without first paying all arrearages up to the time he applies and takes all the steps necessary for affiliation.

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## BY-LAWS OF \_\_\_\_\_ LODGE, NO. \_\_\_\_

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### ARTICLE I.

#### Name.

This Lodge shall be known and designated as \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge, No. —, of Free and Accepted Masons, working under the authority of the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana.

### ARTICLE II.

#### Meetings.

SECTION 1. The meetings of this Lodge shall be held on \_\_\_\_\_ of each month, commencing at — o'clock.

### ARTICLE III.

#### Members.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of each member of this Lodge to sign the By-Laws, and enroll his name in the register of members, stating therein the particular place to which messages and communications may be sent to him, it being his privilege and duty to change the direction whenever he shall change his residence or place of business.

SEC. 2. Each member shall contribute \_\_\_\_\_ to the Lodge, and \_\_\_\_\_ to the Grand Lodge: *Provided*, That for good cause the Lodge may remit the dues of any member.



**ARTICLE IV.****Committees.**

SECTION 1. The Worshipful Master, and Senior and Junior Wardens, as the standing committee of Relief, shall have authority to draw upon the Treasurer for a sum not exceeding ——— *dollars* for any one object. They shall report at each regular meeting of the Lodge.

SEC. 2. There shall be appointed, at the first meeting in January of each year, or as soon thereafter as may be, a Committee of Finance, who shall take charge of, and examine the accounts of the Treasurer and Secretary, and all the other fiscal matters of the Lodge, and report at least once in every three months.

**ARTICLE V.****Duties of Treasurer and Secretary.**

SECTION 1. The Treasurer shall, at the first regular meetings in \_\_\_\_\_, report in writing the condition of the treasury at its last report; give a specific statement of all the receipts and disbursements since made, and accompany his report with all the necessary vouchers.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep full and correct minutes of all the transactions of the Lodge, proper to be recorded; to keep suitable books of account, exhibiting the liabilities and assets of the Lodge, and the true account of each member; to keep a full roll or register of its members, and a book into which shall be transcribed exact copies of all its returns to the Grand Lodge, and to affix the seal to the returns to the Grand Lodge, and to all the other attested documents issued by the Lodge.

SEC. 3. He shall collect and pay over to the Treasurer all contributions due to the Lodge, taking his receipt therefor, and report the same to the Lodge at each regular meeting; shall carefully preserve and file all communications, reports and other documents or papers belonging to the Lodge; take charge of the seal, and notify each member of every committee of the business referred to him.

SEC. 4. The Secretary shall give all the notices required to the Lodges in the Parish, and generally perform all duties appertaining to his office, as required by the Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Lodge, or by an order of the Worshipful Master. He shall receive, as a compensation for his services, ———, and be exempt from the payment of all dues to the Lodge.

**ARTICLE VI.****Fees and Dues.**

SECTION 1. The fees for conferring degrees in this Lodge shall be as follows :

For the Entered Apprentice.....	\$—
“ Fellow Craft.....	—
“ Master Mason.....	—

SEC. 2. Every petition for initiation in this Lodge shall be accompanied by the fee for the first degree, which shall be returned to the applicant in case he be rejected.

**ARTICLE VII.****Amendments, Etc.**

SECTION 1. These By-Laws may be amended by a resolution, submitted in writing, at a regular meeting, at least one month previous to any action thereon, and then passed by a concurrence of two-thirds of the members present.

SEC. 2. These By-Laws shall not be suspended or dispensed with, except for a single occasion, and at a regular meeting ; nor then, unless by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

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**ORDER OF BUSINESS.**


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The following shall be the Order of Business at the regular meetings of this Lodge :

1. Reading of the Minutes.
2. Reports of the Relief and Finance Committees, Treasurer and Secretary.
3. Reports of other committees, in the order of their appointment, and balloting on applications for Degrees or Affiliation.
4. Reading of Communications from the Grand Lodge, and from other Lodges.
5. Reading and referring Petitions ; Reading of all other Communications.
6. Unfinished Business.
7. New Business.
8. Conferring Degrees and Lectures.

This Order of Business may be changed for a single occasion by a majority of the members present.

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OF

## GRAND LODGE HALL.

*To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

The Board of Directors of the Grand Lodge Masonic Hall respectfully present this, their Seventh Annual Report :

The business brought before the Board during the past year has been chiefly confined to the financial transactions set forth in the account of the Grand Secretary, already presented.

Of the notes issued by the Grand Lodge in liquidation of the debt incurred for the purchase of the property we now occupy, the last was duly paid at maturity, on the 4th of March last, and the mortgage has been wholly canceled. The only debts now remaining due by the Grand Lodge, on account of this property and its appurtenances, are as follows :

Note to Orleans Chapter, issued June 5th, 1859.....		\$ 3,000 00
“ “ Perfect Union Lodge, No. 1, Feb. 5th, 1859.....	\$ 1,200	
“ “ “ “ Aug. 11th, 1858.....	373—	1,573 00
“ “ Marion Lodge, No. 68, Feb. 5th, 1857.....		1,000 00
“ “ Orleans Lodge, No. 78, Feb. 5th, 1857.....		1,000 00
“ “ George Washington Lodge, No. 65, Feb. 5th, 1857...		1,000 00
“ “ Friends of Harmony Lodge, No. 58.....	500	
“ “ “ “ “ (for interest)....	120	
“ “ “ “ “ June 5th, 1858..	400	
	\$1,020	
Less payment Oct. 7th, 1859.....	300—	720 00
“ “ Hermitage Lodge, No. 98, issued Oct. 5th, 1856.....		500 00
“ “ Delta Chapter, No. 15, issued Oct. 5th, 1856.....		500 00
“ “ Thomas Murray, issued Aug. 5th, 1859, for repairs.....		444 56
Sundry accounts for furniture, carpeting, painting, etc., unpaid at the time of preparing this report.....		1,686 09
Interest accrued on above notes to 5th February, 1860.....		1,063 42
Balance due Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1.....		1,876 43
Total indebtedness.....		\$ 14,363 50

Some repairs have been found imperatively necessary. The outer walls of the building and portico have been whitened, the outer wood-

work painted, and the damage and defects of plastering repaired, at a cost of \$375 85.

A more important item of expense has been incurred, and unexplained, it might seem to have been unnecessary and unjustifiable, in view of our financial position. The street in front of the building has been paved with square blocks of granite, and new sidewalks made, and for this the Grand Lodge pays \$1,148 87. This improvement certainly enhances the value of the property, but as it is not for sale, nor likely to be, its market value is a matter of no consequence. The Board consider, however, that the general improvement of St. Charles street will lead to an increased revenue from the rents of the building, and they cannot regard the expenditure as an entire loss. They have had no discretion in the matter, however. They could neither evade the outlay nor diminish the amount. The improvements were made under existing laws, and by order of the city, upon an application of a majority of property owners on the street, and your Board have found their duty and privileges confined to the simple payment of the amount apportioned to this property.

But one change in tenants has been made. Perkins & Co. having proposed to vacate the premises occupied by them for several years past, the same portion of the building has been leased, for the unexpired portion of their term, to Messrs. McCerren, Landry & Co., to be used as an auction sales room, and at the same rent—\$2,000 per annum. The leases on the building are as follow:

*Lower Floor (all expiring 31st October, 1861).*

McCerren, Landry & Co.....	\$2,000	per annum.
W. P. Coleman.....	900	" "
H. McCloskey.....	1,500	" "

*Third Floor.*

North wing to Masonic Lodges and Chapters.....	900	" "
South wing to Masonic Lodges.....	900	" "

*Middle Floor.*

Office of Grand Secretary and Grand Lodge Library..	300	" "
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\$6,500 per annum.

There are no other regular tenants. The large hall in the center of the main floor does not yield one-half the revenue it ought to produce, and which it would give, were it made available for lectures, concerts, etc. The members of the Grand Lodge who attended the Annual Communication of 1854, held in this hall, can well understand the difficulty in speaking in it so as to be heard across the room.

The ceiling is too high, and at present it is found desirable only for fairs, balls, and exhibitions.

The Board of Directors have for several years past been looking forward to the time when the Grand Lodge should be able to make an alteration in this portion of the building, by which this fine hall would be made available for the purposes first named, and made to produce a revenue somewhat in proportion to other parts of the building. On consultation with the architects by whom the building was first planned and built, it was ascertained that with an expenditure of about eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) this hall could be made what we would wish it to be—a new story overhead secured, fitted up, and arranged so as to afford a large Grand Lodge room, and several Subordinate Lodge rooms and ante-rooms, with suitable stairways—the security of the building being guaranteed. The present Board of Directors, without hesitation, recommend that these alterations, or some other to the same end, be made at the earliest period it may be deemed prudent to undertake the improvement, believing, as they do, that the increased revenue of this portion of the building would very soon refund the amount expended.

Circumstances having occurred which made the appointment of another hall-keeper necessary, the Board, with entire unanimity, selected Brother J. B. Scott to fill that position, and consider themselves and the Grand Lodge most fortunate in being able to secure his services. The Board respectfully suggest to the Grand Lodge that the hall-keeper should not only possess the necessary qualifications for taking proper care of the premises, and causing them to be kept in good order, but that he should also be capable of acting as Librarian, and as assistant to the Grand Secretary. This officer is the first to meet strangers coming into the Hall—is often the *only* person they see—has inquiries made of him on all sorts of subjects, and is thus prominently before the fraternity and the world. It is important that he possess, not only integrity and zeal, but a large share of intelligence, also.

The Board of Directors find nothing else, in reference to the transactions of the past year, requiring notice in this report; but, conforming to a promise made at our last Annual Communication, they would here place on record, for reference by our brethren of this jurisdiction, and those elsewhere who may take an interest in our affairs, some of the leading facts in the history of this undertaking; showing the object of the purchase, the sources from which means

have been obtained to pay for the property, the present condition and future prospects of the enterprise.

The first movement towards the erection of a Grand Lodge Hall was made at the session of 1852. The object, as then declared, was to secure "a commodious and suitable Hall, to be erected in the city of New Orleans, for the accommodation of the Grand Lodge and its Subordinates." A plan for carrying out this object was adopted, and by unanimous vote of the Grand Lodge, "ordered to be carried into effect forthwith." The leading features of the plan are set forth in the following extracts :

#### PLAN FOR GRAND MASONIC HALL.

1st—A suitable building shall be purchased in the city of New Orleans by, and held in the name of, the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, for the purpose of being used as a Grand Masonic Hall; the parts of it not so used, to be rented out or otherwise disposed of, so as to produce a revenue; or, if such a building cannot be obtained, then a sufficient quantity of land shall be purchased, and suitable edifices erected thereon for the said purpose, in the said city, by the said Grand Lodge, and to be held in its name as aforesaid.

2d—The money required for the purpose aforesaid shall be raised by subscription; and for each ten dollars subscribed, the subscriber shall receive the same amount of stock, which shall entitle him and his heirs to a pro rata share of all the rents, revenues, and profits arising from the said building and its appurtenances.

9th—All donations made to the fund shall be invested in stock, and said stock shall be held in the name of the Grand Lodge, as a permanent Charity Fund, and the dividends on such stock shall be applied to charitable purposes alone.

10th—Subscribers may, if they please, make a tontine of their stock—that is to say, each subscriber, so agreeing, shall receive dividends on his stock during his lifetime, and at his death the stock held by him shall revert to the Grand Lodge; but the other surviving parties to the tontine shall receive the dividends to the stock, so reverted—to be shared among them in proportion to the shares of stock held by each, during their lives. At the successive deaths of the others, their respective shares shall revert to the Grand Lodge in the same manner, but the dividends thereon shall be divided among the survivors in the said proportion; and on the death of the last survivor, his stock and all the dividends, both on it and the reverted stock, shall belong to the Grand Lodge. The stock so reverted shall form a permanent Charity Fund, and the dividends thereon be applied to charitable purposes alone, as provided in the preceding article, No. 9.

11th—The Grand Lodge shall have the right to redeem the stock whenever it pleases; but, in such case, it shall begin with the subscriber having the greatest number of shares; provided, however, that it may select the shares of any subscriber who is willing to dispose of the same.

12th—It is expressly stipulated by the Grand Lodge, that the stockholders shall

have the sole control, direction, and management of the carrying out of the design contemplated by article 1st; and of the building, its rents, revenues, and profits; and that it shall have no further or greater voice or vote therein than may belong to the number of shares it may own.

Under this arrangement a donation of one thousand dollars was immediately offered by our deceased Brother, H. R. W. Hill, then M. W. Grand Master, and during the year that followed, other donations and some few subscriptions to stock were procured, but *no money for the purpose was collected until after the meeting of the Grand Lodge in 1853.*

At that Communication the following motion was adopted :

*On motion*, the M. W. G. Master was authorized and empowered, in the name and for account of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, to make purchase of the "Commercial Exchange," situated in the First District in this city, upon the best terms on which that property can be obtained, and to act in the premises in such manner as, to the best of his judgment, he may deem most advantageous to the interests of this Grand Lodge

Much has since been said against this proceeding, and long discussions have taken place, in the Grand Lodge and out of it, and not a little trouble has arisen upon the question, whether the Lodges of the State should contribute for the liquidation of the debt created under this authority; but at that time there was no opposition, or if there was, the record does not show it. Then was the time to pause, and then the time to oppose. After the purchase was made, under this ample and unequivocal authorization, the time for hesitation and opposition had passed. We copy from the record the exact phraseology, that our brethren may see clearly the starting point of this debt, which has occasioned so much trouble, and we fear some bad feeling in our jurisdiction, but which, we are glad to know, is now reduced to an amount easily managed, and due almost exclusively to Masonic Bodies, as already set forth.

This motion was adopted on the evening of the 26th day of January, 1853. The next day the Grand Master reported that he had purchased the property for \$55,000, or say \$10,000 cash, the balance in one, two, and three years, on notes bearing interest at six per cent. for the first two and seven per cent. on the last. The Grand Lodge immediately ratified and approved the purchase, and authorized the Grand Master to execute the notes and other documents necessary to complete the transaction.

The plan for raising the funds by a stock subscription was then

abandoned, and the resolution adopting it rescinded, the Grand Lodge relying upon her own resources (including a debt of \$6,000 due by Polar Star Lodge, which it was then thought would be paid), and upon voluntary donations to be collected after an appeal by Grand Master HILL, confirmed by his own donation of \$1,000. The appeal was made in open Grand Lodge, and by circulars sent to the Lodges and brethren of the jurisdiction, and a large number of subscription books were placed in the Lodges and hands of individual brethren, with instruction and authority to collect funds. The experiment was fully tried, and although at the commencement the response was highly satisfactory, it was found that only with about half the Lodges in New Orleans, and two or three in the country, could anything be done. Here is the result.

The entire donations to Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, from date of purchase up to date, have been as follow :

1853.			
January	31.—	From H. R. W. Hill.....	\$1,000 00
"	"	" R. F. McGuire.....	100 00
"	"	" John Gedge.....	100 00
"	"	" L. A. Gunst.....	100 00
"	"	" Edward Barnett.....	100 00
"	"	" S. Herriman.....	100 00
March.....	3.—	" A. Morphy.....	25 00
June.....	7.—	" Orleans Lodge, No. 78.....	150 00
"	8.—	" J. Hampden Lewis.....	100 00
Dec'r.....	26.—	" B. Howell.....	100 00
"	"	" L. H. Place.....	100 00
"	"	" W. P. Converse.....	100 00
"	"	" J. W. Stanton.....	100 00
"	"	" Frevert & Combs.....	10 00
"	30.—	" Thomas J. Casey.....	100 00
"	"	" D. E. Morphy.....	10 00
1854.			
January	4.—	" Perfect Union Lodge, No. 1.....	23 00
"	"	" Friends of Harmony Lodge, No. 58.....	50 00
"	"	" Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 59.....	527 00
"	"	" George Washington Lodge, No. 65.....	171 85
"	"	" Dudley Lodge, No. 66.....	50 00
"	"	" Marion Lodge, No. 68.....	250 00
"	"	" Hiram Lodge, No. 70.....	145 00
"	"	" Alpha Lodge, No. 72.....	55 00
"	"	" Orleans Lodge, No. 78.....	384 00
"	"	" Louisiana Lodge, No. 102.....	710 00
"	"	" W. H. Garland.....	100 00
"	"	" J. A. Beard.....	100 00
"	"	" W. McCloud.....	25 00
"	10.—	" Jackson Lodge, No. 45.....	20 00
"	"	" George Washington Lodge, No. 65.....	15 00
"	"	" Marion Lodge, No. 68.....	55 00
"	"	" Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 59.....	61 00
"	12.—	" Trinity Lodge, No. 105.....	50 00
"	"	" Dudley Lodge, No. 66.....	10 00



Feb..... 21.—	“	J. J. Gordon.....	20 00
“ “ “	“	Thomas Montgomery.....	20 00
“ “ “	“	Johnson Montgomery.....	10 00
March..... 8.—	“	E. H. Wilson.....	25 00
“ “ “	“	S. F. Wilson.....	25 00
April ..... 8.—	“	Dr. Collyer.....	2 50
1855.			
January 15.—	“	J. B. Robinson.....	10 00
“ “ “	“	J. Blount Robertson.....	50 00
“ 17.—	“	Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Louisiana.	100 00
Feb..... 9.—	“	Thomas H. Lewis.....	10 00
1856.			
March....11.—	“	Thomas H. Lewis.....	10 00
1859.			
Feb .....17.—	“	Thomas H. Lewis.....	10 00
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			\$5,389 35

It is proper to observe that the sums placed to the credit of Lodges in New Orleans were mainly comprised of voluntary subscriptions from individual members, whose names were never furnished to be placed on the records of the Grand Lodge, and hence they are credited as being paid by the Lodges themselves.

In a short time after the purchase, we had the misfortune to lose our illustrious Chief, H. R. W. HILL, then Grand Master of Masons in Louisiana. We met at our Annual Grand Communication, in 1854, with nearly the whole debt on us, the Grand Lodge of Louisiana under protest, and threatened with a sale under the mortgage within a month. The appeal to the Lodges and fraternity, so much relied on by our lamented Brother, had produced (including his own subscription) only about five thousand dollars. He had advanced about as much more to complete the cash payment, and this debt was due to his estate.

Under these circumstances it was proposed that the brethren comprising the Lodges of the State should be required to contribute each two dollars a year, for five years, to liquidate the debt; and, upon the faith of this, to effect, if possible, a new loan, secured by mortgage, to pay the debt incurred by the purchase. This measure being violently opposed, the following resolution was offered:

*Be it Resolved by the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, That in consequence of the apparent unwillingness of a part of its members to consent to the measures proposed to raise the necessary means for the payment of our debts, without which we shall be exposed to dishonor and loss, the Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, formerly known by the name of the "Commercial Exchange," be sold, in such a manner that the purchaser shall assume the payment of the two notes due on the 4th January, 1855, and 4th January, 1856, with the interest due and to become due thereon; and the balance, one-half in cash, and the other half in a note at twelve months. The property to be kept insured and policies transferred, as stipulated in the contract of sale to this Grand Lodge; the proceeds of the sale to*

be appropriated to the payment of the debts due on it, and the surplus, if any, to be divided amongst the original donors, up to the amount given by them, and if any surplus remains, to be given to the Charity Hospital in this city.

The members of the Grand Lodge, seeing that this was the alternative, promptly voted down this proposition of abandonment, and adopted the general plan proposed for meeting the debt, substituting for the resolution requiring *members* to pay the annual contribution alluded to, the following, by which *the Lodges* were left to raise the money from their ordinary sources of revenue, or in such way as they might find convenient or deem proper, the substitute reading as follows :

*Be it further Resolved*, That each constituent Lodge be required to contribute yearly the sum of two dollars for each member borne upon its register during every year, for the term of five years, if required, for the purpose of paying the debt of the Grand Lodge, contracted for the purchase of the Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, which sum shall be forwarded to the Grand Secretary, with their returns and other dues, and the same to be collected by each Lodge, by tax on its members, or in such other form as it considers best. Such contributions, together with the surplus revenues of the Grand Lodge, and the Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, shall form and constitute a Sinking Fund, for the purpose of paying the debt already contracted, or hereafter to be contracted, on account of the purchase of said Grand Lodge Masonic Hall.

Under this resolution the means were chiefly raised to pay the debt, several Lodges, and one or two other Masonic bodies, having loaned the Grand Lodge liberally, from time to time, also. A portion of these loans remain unpaid, as before stated, and constitute the bulk of the present debt of the Grand Lodge.

As might have been naturally supposed, this tax upon the Lodges was in some quarters strongly opposed, and several attempts were made to raise and test the question as to the power of the Grand Lodge in the premises. Without stopping to discuss the abstract question as to the extent to which the Grand Lodge might go in such matters, the attention of the dissatisfied Lodges and brethren was directed to the more practical and important one, under the circumstances—whether it was *right*, after the Lodges of the State, by their Representatives, in open Lodge assembled, had, without a dissenting voice, authorized and directed the purchase to be made, and the next day fully confirmed the act of purchase, to repudiate the debt, disgrace the fraternity by an act of bad faith towards the vendor, who had been so liberal in price, and towards the estate of Grand Master HILL, who had indorsed the notes? Being left to the alternative of acquiescence in the plan or repudiation, the Subordinate Lodges waived their objections and responded to the call made upon them, as follows :

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NAME OF LODGE.	No.	Amount of Tax Paid.	Amount Donated.	Amount Loaned.	Amount due to Lodges.	Amount due by Lodges.
Perfect Union.....	1	\$ 436 00	\$ 23 00	\$ 1573 00	\$ 1573 00	\$
Polar Star.....	1	340 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Concorde.....	3	228 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Perseverance.....	4	390 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Los Amigos del Orden.....	5	404 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Andrew.....	5	140 00	.....	.....	.....	217 00
Humble Cottage.....	19	210 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Albans.....	28	462 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Feliciana.....	31	538 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Phoenix.....	38	378 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Foyer Maçonnique.....	44	469 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jackson.....	45	350 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....
Germania.....	46	554 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. James.....	47	697 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Providence.....	50	472 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Minden.....	51	694 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Olive.....	52	792 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Union Fraternal.....	53	468 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Gerizim.....	54	580 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
De Soto.....	55	448 00	.....	.....	.....	168 00
Lafayette.....	56	588 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Franklin.....	57	240 00	.....	.....	.....	202 00
Friends of Harmony.....	58	872 00	50 00	1020 00	720 00	.....
Mt. Moriah.....	59	1654 00	588 00	1303 10	.....	.....
Western Star.....	61	474 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tunica.....	63	328 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
George Washington.....	65	1024 00	186 85	1000 00	1000 00	.....
Dudley.....	66	452 00	60 00	.....	.....	.....
Marion.....	68	1070 00	305 00	1000 00	1000 00	.....
Hiram.....	70	538 00	145 00	500 00	.....	.....
Alpha.....	72	506 00	55 00	125 00	.....	.....
Joppa.....	74	.....	.....	.....	.....	200 00
Sabine.....	75	202 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Quitman.....	76	548 00	.....	300 00	.....	.....
Mt. Moriah.....	77	252 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orleans.....	78	696 00	534 00	1000 00	1000 00	.....
St. Joseph.....	79	394 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
De Witt Clinton.....	80	334 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Vernon.....	83	224 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oliver.....	84	462 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lafayette.....	87	266 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Many.....	88	284 00	.....	.....	.....	192 00
Cypress.....	89	502 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thibodaux Benevolent.....	90	456 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Livonia.....	91	200 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Monticello.....	92	384 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Napoleon.....	94	212 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bellevue.....	95	230 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Helena.....	96	560 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Patmos.....	97	368 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hermitage.....	98	418 00	.....	500 00	500 00	.....
Henderson.....	99	206 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Taylor.....	100	132 00	.....	.....	.....	349 00
Franklin.....	101	526 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Louisiana.....	102	306 00	710 00	1000 00	.....	.....
Cloutierville.....	103	104 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Lebanon.....	104	234 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Trinity.....	105	508 00	50 00	.....	.....	.....
Vienna.....	106	462 00	.....	.....	.....	.....

NAME OF LODGE.	No.	Amount of Tax Paid.	Amount Donated.	Amount Loaned.	Amount due to Lodges.	Amount due by Lodges.
Sparta.....	108	\$ 342 00	\$	\$	\$	\$
Castor.....	109	368 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Harrisonburg.....	110	404 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Urim.....	111	414 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bartholomew.....	112	474 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thomas Jefferson.....	113	386 00	.....	.....	.....	49 00
Friendship.....	114	272 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shreveport.....	115	258 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Acacia.....	116	228 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Milford.....	117	208 00	.....	.....	.....	37 00
Terryville.....	118	189 00	.....	.....	.....	32 00
Constantine.....	119	440 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Deerfield.....	120	233 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lisbon.....	121	288 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mackey.....	122	308 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Liberty.....	123	242 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kellertown.....	124	460 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pearl River.....	125	320 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Arcadia.....	126	322 00	.....	.....	.....	75 00
Springhill.....	127	438 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
D'Arbonne.....	128	202 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dawson.....	129	178 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Solomon.....	130	246 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shiloh.....	131	390 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Warren.....	132	158 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gordy.....	133	236 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Harry Hill.....	134	218 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Plains.....	135	234 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Athens.....	136	102 00	.....	.....	.....	65 00
Murray.....	137	26 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jeffersonian.....	138	120 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Houma.....	139	196 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cool Spring.....	140	290 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Huntington.....	141	197 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Home.....	142	220 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Downsville.....	143	120 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ocean.....	144	290 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hope.....	145	104 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Silent Brotherhood.....	146	104 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Anacoco.....	147	158 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Red Land.....	148	102 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Darlington.....	149	94 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Perkins.....	150	72 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Eastern Star.....	151	108 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Homer.....	152	66 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Saints John.....	153	90 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fillmore.....	154	116 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cherry Ridge.....	155	62 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kissatchie.....	156	56 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grosse Tête.....	157	40 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rapides.....	158	76 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Morganza.....	159	74 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Livingston.....	160	42 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1.....	.....	.....	.....	6000 00	1876 43	.....
Orleans R. A. Chapter, No. 1.....	.....	.....	.....	3000 00	3000 00	.....
Delta R. A. Chapter, No. 15.....	.....	.....	.....	500 00	500 00	.....
Total.....	.....	37597 00	2726 86	18821 10	11169 43	1586 00

The preceding table shows the following Lodges still in arrears for Grand Lodge Hall dues :

St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5.....	\$ 217 00
DeSoto Lodge, No. 55.....	168 00
Franklin Lodge, No. 57.....	202 00
Joppa Lodge, No. 74*.....	200 00
Many Lodge, No. 88.....	192 00
Taylor Lodge, No. 100*.....	349 00
Thomas Jefferson Lodge, No. 113.....	49 00
Milford Lodge, No. 117.....	37 00
Terryville Lodge, No. 118.....	32 00
Arcadia Lodge, No. 126.....	75 00
Athens Lodge, No. 136.....	65 00

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\$1,586 00

The negotiation for a new loan had to be made at a most unfavorable period, when some of the largest commercial houses in New Orleans were forced to suspend payments, and money very difficult to obtain, even at the very high rates then prevailing. But the loan was obtained, and, under the circumstances, at a most favorable rate. That loan has been paid in full, as already reported, and time has shown that the plan adopted for relieving ourselves from the unpleasant position in which we found ourselves placed, was a wise one.

It may not be amiss here to say, that the Grand Lodge is indebted to Brother JOHN C. GORDY, of Franklin Lodge, No. 57, for most efficient service in presenting and explaining to the Lodges of the jurisdiction the object of the purchase, and the necessity and justice of the demand made on them for a contribution, when, by special resolution and authority of the Grand Lodge, he was sent on this mission to the constituent Lodges.

The Board respectfully submit the following recapitulated statement of the total cost of this property to date, together with the total amount of receipts and disbursements on account of the same, from the time of its purchase to the 5th day of February, 1860 :

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\* Charter forfeited.

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Cost of building seven years since.....	\$ 55,000 00
Interest paid since time of purchase.....	18,123 82
Repairs and alterations since time of purchase.....	6,647 39
Furniture, curtains, etc., since time of purchase.....	2,777 50
Gas fixtures and gas " " ".....	4,519 80
Water Works and repairs " " ".....	267 25
Grand Lodge Hall keeper, seven years' salary.....	2,575 00
Secretary to Board of Directors, seven years' salary.....	3,060 00
Insurance Premiums for seven years.....	2,007 50
Incidental Expenses—cleaning, brushes, brooms, buckets, washing rooms, etc.....	1,145 82
Brokerage, Notary's fees, and law expenses.....	422 45
Taxes to State of Louisiana for two years.....	330 85
Total Disbursements.....	\$ 96,876 38

## RECEIPTS.

Donations from all sources since purchase.....	\$ 5,389 35
Contributions under Resolution of \$2 <i>per capita</i> .....	37,597 00
REVENUES FROM GRAND LODGE HALL:	
Basement story, rent of stores.....	\$ 22,862 26
Second story, Ball Room, Parlors, etc.....	6,970 45
North Wing Lodge Room, Rent from Lodges,*	2,262 95
South " " " " " " ".....	3,768 25
	35,863 91
Insurance Scrip and interest received in full.....	39 20
Bills Payable, for amount borrowed.....	9,737 56
Balance of amount yet due Louisiana Relief Lodge No. 1.....	1,876 43
Surplus Revenues of Grand Lodge Dues.....	6,372 93
Total Receipts.....	\$ 96,876 38

In concluding this report, the Board of Directors would ask special attention to the following resolution, adopted by the Grand Lodge and *incorporated into the act of conveyance* under which the property is now held :

*Be it Resolved*, That in order to fully satisfy the minds of our Brethren, and others who may be disposed to give their aid to the purchase of the Grand Lodge Hall—this Grand Lodge does now solemnly declare and proclaim, that said purchase is to be made for the purpose and object of creating a fund for charitable purposes, in the relief of worthy distressed members of the Order, their wives, children, and families. And this Grand Lodge solemnly pledges itself that so soon as the said property shall be paid for, the whole of the revenue which may be derived from it, after deducting necessary and unavoidable expenses on its account, shall be devoted to those objects. And it further pledges itself that, should it ever be expedient to sell said property, the proceeds thereof shall be reinvested as a permanent Charity Fund, and the revenue thereof applied in the

\* This Lodge Room was originally fitted up by the bodies to whom it was rented, who only paid a small rent for the vacant rooms, for a period of two years—hence the difference between the revenues from North and South Wings.

same manner; and the Grand Master is hereby directed to incorporate this Resolution in the Deed of Sale of said property, as the solemn pledge and contract of this Grand Lodge with those who have contributed, or may hereafter contribute, to the purchase thereof.

The adoption of this resolution we regard as one of the best deeds ever performed by the Grand Lodge. It is the foundation of a *perpetual* Charity Fund, to continue as long as our organization shall exist. When and where has anything like it been attempted? Of its success there can be no doubt. It is already made sure. The Legislature of the State of Louisiana, in view of this legal and recorded dedication of the revenues to charitable uses forever, gave us an act exempting the property from taxation—an act we could scarcely have expected or asked, had the property been purchased merely as a place of meeting for Masonic Bodies, as at first contemplated. Still weaker would have been our claims to this exemption, had the stock principle prevailed. *This resolution has done the work;* but for it we should never have succeeded in raising the means to pay for the property. When other arguments and appeals proved unavailing, and when the danger of repudiation was greatest, it was only necessary to remind the Brethren of the *object* of this purchase to induce them to contribute. But for this declaration and this record, the property would long since have passed into other hands, under the Sheriff's hammer. Since we have secured it, let us be faithful and diligent in its management, and strive to make it available to the fullest extent for the noble cause to which it is devoted.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. M. PERKINS, for the Board.

## IN MEMORIAM.

### RESOLUTIONS ON DEATH OF PAST GRAND MASTER AMOS ADAMS.

[Referred to in Grand Master's Address, page 13.]

The undersigned Committee, appointed to draft resolutions expressive of the sense of the Brethren of St. James Lodge, No. 47, in regard to the death of their loved and venerated Brother, **Amos Adams**, beg leave to report, That—

*Whereas*, It has pleased an All-wise and inscrutable Providence to remove from our midst, by death, our much esteemed and venerable Brother, **Amos Adams**, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana; in his death we are called upon to announce that another of the good men and true, has passed away. Seldom have we found a man so blameless in all the varied relations of life, and yet so efficient. His character was happily blended, and in all its parts excellent. As a scholar, he was thorough and comprehensive; as a citizen, enterprising and exemplary; as a friend, sincere and true; as a husband and father, affectionate and faithful; and as a Mason, he was a burning and shining light. In the Grand Lodge of the State, and in St. James Lodge, No. 47, (of which he was one of the founders), he was loved and honored, and regarded by all as truly "a pillar." In his benefactions, he was generous and magnanimous; in his walk, a pattern of fidelity and meekness, ruling his Lodge in the fear of the Grand Master of the Universe, and like the Elders of old, obtaining a good report.

In his sentiments, he was conservative; in his principles, stable; in his faith, earnest, simple and confident, as one believing in God, and knowing in whom he trusted. His departure leaves a painful void, but we acquiesce in the call which bade him go higher, and as a good and faithful servant, enter that celestial Lodge, not made with hands. Death is his promotion, and the God in whom he trusted, will not forsake the widow and the fatherless.

*Resolved*, That in the death of our lamented Brother, **Amos Adams**, the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Louisiana has lost one of its most honored members, and St. James Lodge, No. 47, an intelligent and useful Brother, whose place cannot be easily filled.

*Resolved*, That as a further mark of respect to the memory of our deceased Brother, the Brethren of St. James Lodge will wear the usual badge, and the Hall be draped in mourning for thirty days.

*Resolved*, That the members of this Lodge kindly tender to the bereaved and stricken family of the deceased, their sincere condolment and heartfelt sympathy, in this, their deep affliction.

*Resolved*, That a copy of these proceedings be forwarded to the family of the deceased.

*Resolved further*, That a copy of these proceedings and resolutions be forwarded to the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of this State, and that copies be furnished the *Gazette and Comet* and *Daily Advocate* for publication.

S. M. HART,  
J. M. MCCUTCHEN,  
ARTHUR CROZIER.

BATON ROUGE, Sept. 10, 1859.



## OFFICIAL NOTICE.

GRAND SECRETARY'S OFFICE,  
*Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana,* }  
 NEW ORLEANS, April 30, 1860.

The Constituent Lodges in this jurisdiction will take notice of the following Suspensions, Expulsions, etc., and govern themselves accordingly.

Masters of Lodges will cause the same to be read in open Lodge, at the first Communication after receiving it.

By order of the M. W. Grand Master :

SAM'L G. RISK, Grand Secretary.

### SUSPENDED.

H. Goldmann .....	by Germania Lodge.....	No. 46
François Perillat*.....	by St. James Lodge .....	" 47
T. A. Sharp.....	by Providence Lodge .....	" 50
D. J. Ahern.....	by Mount Moriah Lodge.....	" 59
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R. D. Parish.....	by Milford Lodge .....	" 117
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Philippe Marx .....	by St. Andrew Lodge.....	" 5
D. Gast.....	by Foyer Maçonnique Lodge.....	" 44
G. A. Hyver.....	" " " .....	" 44
C. Hearing .....	" " " .....	" 44
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Joseph Chellett .....	by the Grand Lodge, February 17th, 1860.	

**DIED.**

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J. Genty .....	of Polar Star Lodge.....	" 1
Henry De La Roche .....	of Concorde Lodge.....	" 3
Cayetano Pache .....	of Los Amigos del Orden Lodge..	" 5
Peter Lazare .....	of St. Andrew Lodge.....	" 5
S. Anthoine .....	" " .....	" 5
F. Topenot .....	" " .....	" 5
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J. L. Violet .....	" " .....	" 47
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J. P. Furlong .....	of Franklin Lodge .....	" 57
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## AMENDMENTS TO GRAND LODGE BY-LAWS.

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Adopted since Annual Communication of 1858.

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Insert in the first line of Sec. I, Art. 2, and Chap. 2, after the word "*must*," the words "*be twenty-one years of age*."

Strike out of Art. II, Sec. 1, of Chap. 2, of By-Laws, the words, "*and his ability to aid in the benevolent objects of the Institution*."

Amend Art. IV, of Chap. 3, thus : After the words "*Provided that the proposition to amend, alter*," etc., insert the words, "*shall have received the sanction of a majority present at the time of its presentation, and*" shall have laid over from one session to another of the same Grand Communication, etc.

Amend Sec. 2, Art. I, Chap. 1, of the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge, so as to create a Fifth Standing Committee, to be styled the "*Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence*," and "*to be composed of seven members of the Grand Lodge*."

Add a new section between Sections 4 and 5, in Art. III, Chap. 1, of the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge :

"The Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence shall examine and report upon all questions of Masonic Law and usage, which may at any time arise in this jurisdiction, and which shall have been referred to them for examination, and report the result to the Grand Lodge in the form of an expression of opinion."

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### Edicts of Grand Lodge in Full Force.

*Resolved*, That in future, all notices of applications for the Degrees of Masonry, in the city of New Orleans, shall contain the actual residence of the candidate, by street and number.

EXTRAORDINARY COMMUNICATION  
OF THE  
GRAND LODGE OF LOUISIANA,

APRIL 12, 1860,

AT THE  
*Inauguration of the Statue of Henry Clay,*

PAST GRAND MASTER OF KENTUCKY.

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# EXTRAORDINARY COMMUNICATION

OF THE

## GRAND LODGE OF LOUISIANA.

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In accordance with a special request of the "CLAY MONUMENTAL ASSOCIATION" of New Orleans, and by the action of the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, at its session of February 16th, 1860 (see pages 113, 114, 115), and in accordance with previous notice issued, the Masonic Fraternity assembled at the Grand Lodge Hall on Thursday, April 12th, 1860, at half-past 9 o'clock, A. M., when the M. W. Grand Lodge was summarily opened in AMPLE FORM, the following

### OFFICERS PRESENT:

J. Q. A. FELLOWS.....	M. W. Grand Master.
A. G. CARTER.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
J. C. GORDY.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
O. J. NOYES.....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden, <i>pro tem.</i>
REV. C. S. HEDGES.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
STEPHEN C. MICHELL.....	W. Grand Treasurer.
RICHARD B. LAWRENCE..	W. Grand Secretary, <i>pro tem.</i>
AARON HARRIS.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon, <i>pro tem.</i>
THOMAS F. HEDGES.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon, <i>pro tem.</i>
GEORGE W. RACE.....	W. Grand Marshal.
GEORGE M. BEAMAN.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer, <i>pro tem.</i>
F. W. DELESDESNIER.....	W. Grand Pursuivant, <i>pro tem.</i>
GUSTAVUS SONTAG.....	W. Grand Steward.
LOUIS PIDERIT.....	" " <i>pro tem.</i>
G. M. MORGAN.....	" " <i>pro tem.</i>
H. WILLIAMS.....	" " <i>pro tem.</i>
F. J. KUHNHOLZ.....	W. Grand Tyler, <i>pro tem.</i>



The M. W. Grand Master, Bro. J. Q. A. FELLOWS, stated the special object of the Communication to be the performance of a duty devolving upon the Masonic Fraternity from time immemorial, and directed the W. Grand Marshal to organize a procession in due form for that purpose.

Bro. GEORGE W. RACE, Grand Marshal,  
Then formed the Procession in the following order, under the direction and conduct of the following,

## AIDS :

H. MILLSPAUGH,  
J. C. BATCHELOR,  
LOUIS LAY,  
SAMUEL G. RISK,

E. SALOMON,  
C. DE CHOISEUL,  
G. M. HERNANDEZ,  
C. H. CHURCHILL.

## ESCORT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR,

Mounted on White Horses, fully caparisoned in appropriate trappings, and bearing the Banners of the Order.

Entered Apprentices.

Fellow Crafts.

Master Masons.

Mark Masters.

Past Masters.

Most Excellent Masters.

Royal Arch Masons.

M. E. Grand Chapter of Louisiana.

Royal and Select Masters.

Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Louisiana.

ESCORT OF KNIGHTS KADOSH, 30TH DEGREE, TO GRAND CONSISTORY.

Knights Rose Croix, 18th Degree.

Members of the Grand Consistory, 32d Degree.

L. H. PLACE—ILLUSTRIOUS COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF GRAND CONSISTORY.

Members of the 33d Degree.

REAR ESCORT OF KNIGHTS KADOSH TO GRAND CONSISTORY.

MEMBERS OF THE M. W. GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA,  
in the following order :

Grand Tyler.

Grand Stewards, with White Rods.

Junior Wardens of Lodges.

Senior Wardens of Lodges.

Masters of Lodges.

J. T. WATTS, W. M. of Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 59, carrying a Gold Vessel with  
CORN.

WM. H. STEWART, W. M. of Dudley Lodge, No. 66, carrying a Silver Vessel with  
WINE.

J. P. WARNER, W. M. of Ocean Lodge, No. 144, carrying a Silver Vessel with  
OIL.

Past Grand Wardens and Distinguished Past Grand Officers from abroad.

Grand Treasurer.

Grand Secretary.

A. P. DOSTIE, Past Master of Orleans Lodge, No. 78, carrying the

Steward with White Rod. }	THREE GREAT LIGHTS.	{ Steward with White Rod.
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GRAND CHAPLAIN.

Past Grand Masters.

Past Deputy Grand Masters.

Senior and Junior Grand Wardens.

ALBERT G. CARTER, Deputy Grand Master.

Senior Grand Deacon, }	J. Q. A. FELLOWS,	{ Junior Grand Deacon,
with Black Rod. }	M. W. Grand Master.	{ with Black Rod.

Grand Sword Bearer.

# REAR ESCORT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR,

Composed of MOBILE COMMANDERY, No. 2, of Mobile, Alabama, under command  
of Eminent Sir R. F. KNOTT; together with sojourning Sir Knights of  
other Jurisdictions, and many members of Indivisible Friends  
and Jacques de Molay Commanderies, of our city.

Immediately after the organization of the procession, it moved in order, under the guidance of the W. Grand Marshal and his aids, to the appropriate position assigned it in the general programme, by Bro. J. B. WALTON, Grand Marshal of the day, selected by the Clay Monumental Association, and proceeded through the whole route of procession, until it reached the locality (intersection of Canal, Royal and St. Charles streets) where the statue had been erected.

On reaching the ground (under the prompt management of the Grand Marshal of the day, notwithstanding the immense multitude assembled), the space immediately surrounding the statue was found free for the use of the Masonic Fraternity, to enable them to perform with ease their ceremonies.

So soon as the various societies composing the general procession had reached their appropriate positions near the statue, the Grand Marshal of the day announced the firing of a salute, as the signal for the unveiling of the statue, which was clothed in the national flag of our country.

The statue being unveiled, amidst the unparalleled outbursts of enthusiastic applause, the Grand Marshal of the day announced that the ceremonies of Inauguration would then be performed by the M. W. Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Louisiana ; when a silent and anxious calmness seemed to pervade the assembled multitude, showing a true desire to observe and participate in the solemn ceremonies of the day.

M. W. Grand Master J. Q. A. FELLOWS then called to order, and enjoining silence upon all, addressed the Clay Monumental Association as follows :

*Mr. President and Members of the Clay Monumental Association :*

The invitation of your Executive Committee, to the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, to assist in the ceremonies of the inauguration of this statue, the corner stone for the foundation of which was laid four years ago this day, by this body, has been cordially accepted by the Fraternity, as you see evidenced in the numbers surrounding this monument.

By the suffrages of my Brethren it has fallen to my lot this day to perform one of the most pleasing of my official duties—that of leading in the ceremonies of consecrating and dedicating this statue, erected to the memory of one of America's noblest citizens ; a work of commemoration justly due to the virtues of the departed patriot and statesman, and equally creditable to the Association and this community. This duty is rendered more than usually agreeable to myself and those with whom I am here associated, by the fact that he whose worth and memory we thus perpetuate was a distinguished member of our Fraternity, and forty years ago held the high and honorable station of Grand Master of Masons in Kentucky, his adopted State.

I will extend these remarks no further, lest I encroach upon the province of another, the orator of the day, but with the assistance of my associates in office, will at once proceed to perform the Masonic ceremonies usual upon such an occasion, and proper to the inauguration of this statue ; and while these ceremonies are being performed, I enjoin strict and solemn silence in this assembly.

Freemasonry has ever taught, and chiefly teaches, the three great moral duties—to God, our neighbor, and ourselves : To God, by holding His name in awe and veneration ; viewing Him as the chief good, imploring His aid in all laudable pursuits, and supplicating His protection on all well-meant endeavors. Hence with us the office of Chaplain, to lead and assist us in our prayers and supplications to Him to whom we ever look for aid and support.

Brother Grand Chaplain, let us commence the ceremonies of this day by devout prayer to the ever-living and true God.

REV. BRO. C. S. HEDGES, Grand Chaplain, offered up the following eloquent prayer :

Almighty and Everlasting God, the Supreme Architect, the Builder

and Maker of all things, who said'st "let there be light, and there was light," be pleased, in thy infinite mercy, to look down upon us from the Temple of thy celestial glory, to bless us in the purposes of this occasion. Regard, O Lord, with favor the work in which we are now engaged. In all our undertakings bestow upon us Wisdom, Strength, and Harmony. As this vast assembly have here met upon the same great level of time, may divine Charity pervade every heart and mind. And O, Thou great and glorious "I Am," who sittest between the Cherubim, may Thy "All-Seeing Eye" behold us, in love, from off the Mercy Seat. And as Thou did'st call unto Thy servant Moses out of the midst of the burning bush, so regard and bless us also. May a flame of heavenly love be poured into our hearts. May the holy fires of devotion be enkindled in every bosom, and may the happy fruits of peace and good will increase and abound. We bless Thee, O Lord, for the health and happiness, the peace and prosperity, by which we are surrounded. We bless Thee for the long line of patriots whose self-sacrificing labors and heroic lives have been the safety and glory of this nation. May patriots like them still exist, and be multiplied. May all their great and beneficent deeds live in after generations, and exert a benign influence after their marble monuments shall have crumbled into dust. We adore Thee for all the rich advantages of this prosperous land—for the glorious inheritance which Thou hast given us in this our common country. May these blessings remain unimpaired to the latest hour of time. Save this country from the machinations of her enemies, and as Thy good Providence didst preside over the first councils of this nation, and hast so ordered and settled all her institutions upon the best and surest foundations, so may that same overruling Providence continue to direct and preside over the hearts and wills of the people, that the glorious fruits of peace, piety, happiness, and virtue may multiply and abide with us throughout all generations. The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make His face to shine upon us and be gracious unto us. The Lord lift up His countenance upon us, and give us peace both now and evermore. Amen.

"SO MOTE IT BE!" being responded by all the Brethren, the ceremonies then proceeded in the following order :

*M. W. Grand Master*—R. W. Deputy Grand Master, the jewel of your office is the square ; will you apply it to those parts of the foundation stone which should be square ?

BRO. A. G. CARTER, *R. W. Deputy Grand Master*—The duty is performed, M. W., and the craftsmen have done their duty.

*M. W. Grand Master*—R. W. Senior Grand Warden, the level is the jewel of your office ; will you apply it to the foundation stone?

BRO. J. C. GORDY, *R. W. Senior Grand Warden*—I have performed the duty, M. W., and the craftsmen have done theirs.

*M. W. Grand Master*—R. W. Junior Grand Warden, the proper jewel of your office is the plumb ; apply it to the several sides of the pedestal which support this statue.

BRO. O. J. NOYES, *Acting R. W. Junior Grand Warden*—I have, M. W., and find the same truly upright ; the craftsmen have done their duty.

*M. W. Grand Master*—The craftsmen have indeed done their duty well, and I declare the base and pedestal which supports this statue well formed, true, and trusty.

The Golden Vessel containing the CORN was then handed to the M. W. Grand Master, and by him presented, through the Deputy Grand Master, to BRO. SAMUEL M. TODD, Junior Past Grand Master, who, pouring the Corn upon the foundation stone, said :

“May the Supreme Architect of the Universe strengthen and sustain the people to finish the work begun by their fathers, as shall best redound to His honor and to the welfare of our common country.”

The Silver Vessel containing the WINE was then handed to the M. W. Grand Master, and through the R. W. Senior Grand Warden, presented to BRO. WILLIAM M. PERKINS, Past Grand Master, who, pouring the Wine upon the foundation stone, said :

“May the Giver of all things bestow His blessing upon all patriotic and benevolent undertakings, and plenteously endow this people with that virtue and wisdom which shall enable them to preserve and transmit to succeeding generations the privileges they now enjoy.”

The Silver Vessel containing the OIL was then handed to the M. W. Grand Master, and through the R. W.

Junior Grand Warden, presented to BRO. JOHN H. HOLLAND, Senior Past Grand Master, who, pouring the Oil upon the foundation stone, said :

“May the Great Ruler of the Universe preserve the Union of these United States, and may it be a bond of friendship and brotherly love that shall endure through all time.”

The M. W. Grand Master then proclaimed :

“May Corn, Wine, and Oil, symbols of Health, Plenty, and Peace, abound among men throughout the world, and may this statue long continue, a memorial of affectionate regard to one who ever strove to be right, and who rejoiced in whatever might tend to the united prosperity of his whole country. Amen !”

The Brethren all responded, “SO MOTE IT BE !” and the public grand honors being given, the ceremonies closed.

The Masonic ceremonies having been concluded, the orator of the day, WM. H. HUNT, Esq., then delivered his address, which was attentively listened to ; after which, finding it utterly impossible, from the dense mass surrounding the Fraternity, to reorganize a procession, the M. W. Grand Master announced the purpose for which they had assembled fully accomplished, and authorizing all to retire at convenience or desire, declared the Extraordinary Communication AMPLY closed.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,  
*Grand Master.*

ATTEST :

*Saml. G. Risk*  
*Grand Secy.*

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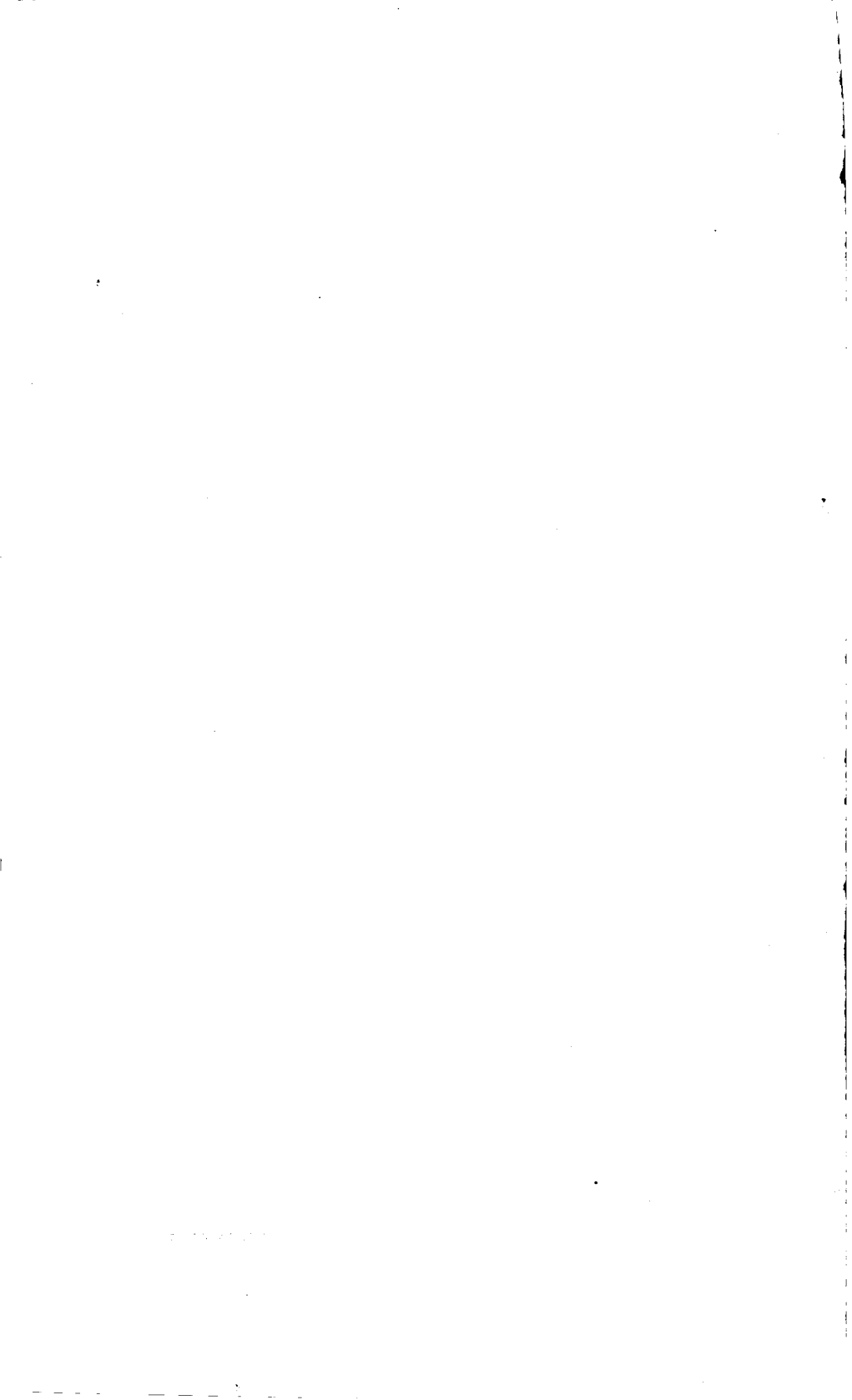
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The Forty-ninth Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful "THE GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA," commenced in the city of New Orleans, at the Grand Lodge Hall, on St. Charles street, on Monday, February 11th, 1861, at half-past six o'clock, P. M.

The Grand Lodge was opened by M. W. Grand Master J. Q. A. Fellows, in AMPLE FORM, in the Third Degree.

### OFFICERS PRESENT:

J. Q. A. FELLOWS .....	M. W. Grand Master.
A. G. CARTER.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
JOHN C. GORDY .....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
HY. REGENBURG .....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
SAMUEL M. TODD.....	W. Grand Treasurer.
SAMUEL G. RISK .....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES, D.D.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
G. W. MUNDAY .....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
W. C. DRIVER .....	as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
J. D. CATLIN .....	as W. Grand Marshal.
G. B. BURR .....	as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
H. M. CRENSHAW.....	W. Grand Pursuivant.
M. A. CALONGNE .....	} W. Grand Stewards.
BRUNO DE LUCAS .....	
GUSTAVUS SONTAG .....	
A. E. DICK.....as	
JAMES B. SCOT .....	W. Grand Tyler.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced the following brethren as a Committee on Credentials: John D. Catlin, Walter T. Coyle, and Richard B. Lawrence, who, after a short recess, submitted the following report, which was read, and, on motion, adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

The undersigned, Committee on Credentials, beg leave to report, that they have performed their duty, and respectfully report the following named brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge, as legal and constitutional Representatives and Delegates, namely:

PERFECT UNION.....	No. 1—A. Pitot, Jr., W. M. O. DeBuys, S. W. C. DeBlanc, J. W.	} C. Laffon, proxy for all.
POLAR STAR.....	No. 1—A. R. Morel, W. M. C. Claiborne, S. W. F. Levasseur, J. W. (E. de St. Romes, pxy.)	
CONCORDE.....	No. 3—J. B. Soraparu, W. M. G. M. Dubreulh, S. W. L. Constantine, J. W. (S. Meilleur, proxy.)	
PERSEVERANCE.....	No. 4—F. Ricau, W. M. Charles Calongne, S. W. C. Barthe, J. W.	
LOS AMIGOS DEL ORDEN...	No. 5—Marco Antonio, W. M. Angel Martin, S. W. José Planellas, J. W.	
ST. ANDREW.....	No. 5—E. Danty, W. M. P. Cauhapé, S. W. N. Tournier, J. W.	
HUMBLE COTTAGE.....	No. 19—J. M. Porter, W. M. J. J. Beauchamp, S. W. John Reed, J. W.	
ST. ALBANS.....	No. 28—W. T. Rogillio, W. M. J. E. T. Gourlay, S. W. J. D. Barkdull, J. W.	} G. W. Catlett, proxy for all.

- FELICIANA .....No. 31—Sam'l J. Powell, W. M.  
John W. Spear, S. W.  
Wm. W. Leake, J. W.
- FOYER MAÇONNIQUE..... No. 44—U. Marinoni, W. M.  
R. Woeste, S. W.  
J. Rose, J. W.
- GERMANIA .....No. 46—John Gerlach, W. M.  
J. M. Huber, S. W.  
L. Wachter, J. W.
- ST. JAMES.....No. 47—Sam'l M. Hart, W. M.  
S. M. Asher, S. W.  
A. J. Fulshire, J. W.
- MINDEN .....No. 51—J. W. Berry, W. M. }  
M. S. Cox, S. W. } H. R. Swasey, proxy  
W. L. Franks, J. W. } for all.
- OLIVE .....No. 52—G. W. Munday, W. M.  
L. G. Chapman, S. W.  
G. H. Packwood, J. W.
- UNION FRATERNAL.....No. 53—John L. Barrett, W. M.  
M. S. Carson, S. W.  
J. G. Taylor, J. W.
- LAFAYETTE .....No. 56—John C. Jones, W. M.  
Stetson Trask, S. W. (R. E. Davis, proxy.)  
John W. Jones, J. W.
- FRANKLIN.....No. 57—H. H. Smith, W. M. (C. M. Smith, proxy.)  
M. T. Gordy, S. W.  
D. Godchaux, J. W.
- FRIENDS OF HARMONY..No. 58—Samuel Harby, W. M. (A. DeSola, proxy.)  
J. H. Clark, S. W.  
J. O. DeCastro, J. W.
- MOUNT MORIAH .....No. 59—Walter Nicol, W. M. (J. G. Dunlap, proxy.)  
John Anderson, S. W.  
John W. Black, J. W.
- WESTERN STAR.....No. 61—Jos. F. McGuire, W. M. }  
L. A. Shields, S. W. } Jas. G. Richardson,  
John Wentzell, J. W. } son, proxy for all.
- GEORGE WASHINGTON...No. 65—Gustavus Sontag, W. M.  
A. E. Dick, S. W.  
Warren Davis, J. W.

- DUDLEY.....No. 66—Wm. H. Stewart, W. M.  
S. I. Guillet, S. W.  
H. F. Hall, J. W.
- MARION.....No. 68—D. E. Scruggs, W. M.  
Joshua Jackson, S. W.  
Jos. P. Horner, J. W.
- HIRAM.....No. 70—Timothy Carroll, W. M.  
R. E. Diamond, S. W.  
Joseph Pincus, J. W.
- ALPHA HOME.....No. 72—J. C. Batchelor, W. M.  
S. L. Bishop, S. W.  
R. W. Stanley, J. W.
- SABINE.....No. 75—Chas. Beck, W. M. }  
Leslie Barbee, S. W. } S. H. Gilman, proxy  
Jasper Dove, J. W. } for all.
- QUITMAN.....No. 76—Wm. H. Seaman, W. M.  
T. A. Bartlette, S. W.  
John C. Wood, J. W.
- MOUNT MORIAH.....No. 77—R. W. Troth, W. M.  
L. Bloom, S. W.  
J. C. Griffith, J. W.
- ORLEANS.....No. 78—S. B. Churchill, W. M.  
C. F. Hufft, S. W.  
D. Hunter, J. W.
- MOUNT VERNON.....No. 83—John Cathbertson, W. M.  
Jos. W. White, S. W.  
J. F. M. Palmer, J. W.
- OLIVER.....No. 84—Wm. B. Hyman, W. M.  
Thos. Clements, S. W.  
A. Cazabat, J. W.
- LAFAYETTE.....No. 87—N. Keyes, W. M. (F. A. Dentzel, proxy.)  
T. S. Alexander, S. W.  
H. H. Wilcoxon, J. W.
- MANY.....No. 88—W. B. Stille, W. M. (J. N. Sherry, proxy.)  
Jno. W. Eason, S. W.  
G. G. Garner, J. W.



- CYPRESS.....No. 89—J. T. Turnley, W. M. (G. W. Sentell, proxy.)  
W. L. Doles, S. W.  
J. S. Shaw, J. W.
- THIBODAUX BENEV'T.....No. 90—B. G. Thibodaux, W. M.  
C. G. Grüneberg, S. W.  
Thos. Supple, J. W.
- MONTICELLO.....No. 92—T. F. Gaddis, W. M.  
Jno. W. Eppes, S. W.  
C. A. DeFrance, J. W.
- NAPOLEON.....No. 94—L. K. Thomas, W. M.  
Sam'l Smith, S. W.  
J. M. Turner, J. W.
- HERMITAGE.....No. 98—Dan'l Wilson, W. M. (Cotton Henry, proxy.)  
Thos. Burden, S. W.  
W. W. Buford, J. W.
- HENDERSON.....No. 99—L. E. Texada, W. M.  
J. J. Myers, S. W.  
Thos. Richardson, J. W.
- FRANKLINTON.....No. 101—John Wadsworth, W. M.  
H. T. Burkhalter, S. W.  
John E. Morris, J. W.
- LOUISIANA.....No. 102—Wm. C. Driver, W. M.  
Aaron Harris, S. W.  
Thos. S. Boardman, J. W.
- CLOUTIERVILLE.....No. 103—S. O. Scruggs, W. M.  
R. S. Rogers, S. W.  
A. Moreau, J. W.
- TRINITY.....No. 105—Jonathan W. Buhoup, W. M.  
Simeon Thomas, S. W.  
A. Montpelier, J. W.
- CASTOR.....No. 109—W. L. DeGraffenreidt, W. M.  
W. E. Coates, S. W.  
W. O. Morganza, J. W.
- URIM.....No. 111—Frank N. Marks, W. M.  
W. W. Patrick, S. W.  
A. Calhoun, J. W.

- BARTHOLOMEW .....No. 112—A. S. Washburn, W. M.  
John McCrory, S. W.  
Thomas Simpson, J. W.
- THOMAS JEFFERSON.....No. 113—Wm. L. Spears, W. M.  
Joseph R. Goyne, S. W.  
A. J. Hunt, J. W.
- SHREVEPORT .....No. 115—J. W. Jones, W. M.  
T. C. Waller, S. W.  
J. B. Gilmore, J. W.
- ACACIA .....No. 116—John Marcot, W. M.  
J. A. Breaux, S. W.  
Wm. Shanks, J. W.
- MILFORD.....No. 117—T. W. Brown, W. M.  
James Delaune, S. W.  
G. W. Keller, J. W.
- CONSTANTINE.....No. 119—W. F. Lynch, W. M.  
J. P. Womack, S. W.  
H. M. Brown, J. W.
- DEERFIELD.....No. 120—John H. Calloway, W. M.  
W. T. Dogget, S. W.  
Joel McDonald, J. W.
- KELLERTOWN.....No. 124—A. J. Norwood, W. M.  
Clement Gore, S. W.  
R. P. Palmer, J. W. (J. A. Ramsey, proxy.)
- SPRINGHILL.....No. 127—J. T. B. Andrews, W. M. (G. W. Murphy, pxy.)  
E. O. G. Andrews, S. W. (J. P. Everett, pxy.)  
J. H. Slade, J. W.
- SOLOMON .....No. 130—A. S. Manning, W. M.  
J. D. Catlin, S. W.  
Johnson Sale, J. W.
- GORDY.....No. 133—J. H. Audibert, W. M.  
Sam'l Slaughter, S. W.  
P. F. Keary, J. W.
- HARRY HILL.....No. 134—R. B. Todd, W. M.  
R. M. Hinson, S. W.  
J. W. Higman, J. W.

- HOUMA.....No. 139—Wm. M. Mercer, W. M.  
Joseph A. Gagne, S. W.  
Joseph Aycock, J. W.
- COOL SPRING.....No. 140—John L. Garrett, W. M.  
R. Cleaveland, S. W.  
Benj. Collier, J. W.
- OCEAN.....No. 144—J. P. Warner, W. M.  
A. Duquercron, S. W.  
F. Bügel, J. W.
- HOPE.....No. 145—M. E. Girard, W. M.  
J. J. Caffery, S. W.  
A. V. Martin, J. W.
- SILENT BROTHERHOOD..No. 146—R. A. L. McCurdy, W. M.  
John E. Murph, S. W.  
Geo. H. Wynn, J. W.
- ANACOCO.....No. 147—John A. Brown, W. M.  
N. H. Bray, S. W.  
L. W. Smart, J. W.
- RED LAND.....No. 148—J. B. Campbell, W. M. }  
A. M. Rogers, S. W. } R. B. Lawrence,  
J. M. Holloway, J. W. } proxy for all.
- PERKINS.....No. 150—Thos. H. Weightman, W. M.  
John O'Hara, S. W.  
E. B. Cox, J. W.
- EASTERN STAR.....No. 151—Jno. A. Dixon, W. M. (G. W. Hicks, proxy.)  
W. J. Edwards, S. W.  
Denis Mackie, J. W.
- SAINTS JOHN.....No. 153—A. B. Seger, W. M.  
L. J. Dodge, S. W.  
T. K. Porter, J. W.
- KISSATCHIE.....No. 156—W. M. Fuller, W. M. (Edwin Marks, proxy.)  
J. E. Hawkins, S. W.  
N. G. McNeely, J. W.
- RAPIDES.....No. 158—G. B. Burr, W. M.  
Geo. A. Smith, S. W.  
Thos. J. Gill, J. W.

- MORGANZA.....No. 159—Parker Smith, W. M. (J. A. Morgan, proxy.)  
 John T. Clark, S. W.  
 J. B. Villeret, J. W. (W. T. Coyle, proxy.)
- LIVINGSTON.....No. 160—S. S. Hoyt, W. M.  
 Wm. Akers, S. W.  
 Warren Tucker, J. W.
- BROOKVILLE.....No. 161—Wilson G. Myers, W. M.  
 D. S. Beauchamp, S. W.  
 R. E. Phillips, J. W.
- BURNSVILLE.....No. 162—Shelby Baucum, W. M. (J. G. Lambright,  
 James M. Burns, S. W. [proxy.)  
 Smith Marshall, J. W.
- ATCHAFALAYA.....No. 163—F. H. Babbitt, W. M.  
 J. J. McCrea, S. W.  
 Alfred Brown, J. W.
- COLUMBIA .....No. 164—John F. Varner, W. M.  
 Jacob Levy, S. W.  
 James A. Boyd, J. W.
- LINN WOOD .....U. D.—T. McGinnis, Delegate.
- SILENCIO.....U. D.—V. A. DeCastro, Delegate.
- MONTGOMERY .....U. D.—T. S. Colier, Delegate.

Fraternally submitted,

J. D. CATLIN,	} Committee.
W. T. COYLE,	
RICHARD B. LAWRENCE,	

A roll of Lodges was then called, and the following were found to be represented :

Nos. P. U. 1, P. S. 1, 3, 4, L. O. 5, ST. A. 5, 28, 31, 46, 51, 52, 53, 56, 57, 58, 59, 61, 65, 66, 68, 70, 72, 75, 76, 78, 84, 87, 88, 90, 92, 98, 99, 101, 102, 103, 105, 109, 112, 120, 124, 127, 130, 140, 144, 145, 147, 148, 151, 153, 156, 158, 159, 160, 162, 163—Total, 55 Chartered Lodges. Silencio and Montgomery, U. D.

It appearing that a constitutional quorum of Represen-

tatives from the Constituent Lodges, was present, the Grand Lodge proceeded to business.

M. W. Past Grand Master, WM. M. PERKINS, being announced, was admitted, received, and conducted to the East with appropriate honors.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced the following

### STANDING COMMITTEES:

#### On Audit and Accounts.

D. E. SCRUGGS .....	of Marion Lodge, No. 68.
JOHN ANDERSON .....	of Mt. Moriah " " 59.
AARON HARRIS .....	of Louisiana " " 102.

#### On Chartered Lodges.

A. S. WASHBURN .....	of Bartholomew Lodge, No. 112.
N. H. BRAY .....	of Anacoco " " 147.
C. A. DEFRANCE .....	of Monticello " " 92.

#### On Lodges Under Dispensation.

JOHN C. GORDY .....	Senior Grand Warden.
WM. H. STEWART .....	of Dudley Lodge, No. 66.
CHAS. LAFFON .....	of Perfect Union Lodge, " 1.

#### On Appeals and Grievances.

G. W. MUNDAY .....	W. M. of Olive Lodge, No. 52.
HY. REGENBURG .....	P. M. of Union Fraternal Lodge, " 53.
H. R. SWASEY .....	P. M. of George Washington " " 65.
W. H. SEAMAN .....	W. M. of Quitman " " 76.
J. L. BARRETT .....	W. M. of Union Fraternal " " 53.
A. R. MOREL .....	W. M. of Polar Star " " 1.
J. C. BATCHELOR .....	W. M. of Alpha Home " " 72.

#### On Masonic Law and Jurisprudence.

SAMUEL M. TODD .....	of Marion Lodge No. 68.
A. G. CARTER .....	of Mount Moriah Lodge " 77.
H. R. SWASEY .....	of George Washington Lodge " 65.
A. J. NORWOOD .....	of Kellertown " " 124.
J. H. HOLLAND .....	of Friends of Harmony " " 58.
HY. REGENBURG .....	of Union Fraternal " " 53.
S. O. SCRUGGS .....	of Cloutierville " " 103.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced that several offices of the Grand Lodge were vacant by resignation and absence from the jurisdiction, and announced the following appointments to fill the same :

WM. C. DRIVER.....as Junior Grand Deacon.  
 JOHN D. CATLIN.....as Grand Marshal.  
 G. B. BURR .....as Grand Sword Bearer.

The M. W. Grand Master, J. Q. A. FELLOWS, then delivered the following Address to the Grand Lodge :

*Brethren of the Grand Lodge :*

On our again assembling as Representatives of Freemasonry in Louisiana, to review the transactions of the past year, and advise with each other for the future, it was but meet and proper that we should first have joined in our devotions to Almighty God, with praise and thanksgiving for His protecting care over us during the past year, and asking His guidance still to be extended to us in all our deliberations; that our labors might be in accordance with His will, and thus enure to our profit as well as redound to His honor and glory.

It is my duty, at this time, to report to you all my official acts during the year, to state the condition of the Constituent Lodges, and of Masonry generally, and make such suggestions as may seem conducive to the good of the Craft, and proper to be acted upon by the Grand Lodge.

It is with pleasure that I can announce to you the continued prosperity of Masonry generally, and in Louisiana in particular. Its condition beyond our own immediate jurisdiction will be presented to you more particularly by your Committee on Foreign Correspondence, while many of the particulars in regard to the present condition of our Constituent Lodges will appear from their Returns, and the report of our Grand Secretary. I need only state here that our Lodges have generally maintained their previous well-earned reputation for their ability and will to do good, in spreading the blessings imparted by the knowledge of our institution, in the practice of Charity and Brotherly Love, and in the cultivation of every moral and social virtue.

Finding, as I did, everything complete and prepared to my hand, with peace and quiet among us, my official acts have been few. I have, therefore, but little to report out of the usual official line of duty. The Standing Committee on Work, to whom I have referred every controverted question concerning our Ceremonies and Ritual, will report to you on the third day of our Communication, under the resolution of the Grand Lodge. To the Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence, created at the last Annual Grand Communication, has been referred every question pertaining to the duties of that Committee. The assistance of these two Committees has relieved me from much labor.

Questions on Law and Usage, which could be answered by a simple reference to our Laws and Regulations, or to former decisions, have been answered without reference to that committee. All questions, however, of an important character, and the proper decision of which might be a matter of controversy, have been invariably referred to that committee, who will report to you at the proper time upon all questions thus submitted to them.

I have to announce the death of but one of the permanent members of the Grand Lodge. Only three days after the close of the last Annual Communication, Past Deputy Grand Master ALEXANDER PHILLIPS, well stricken in years, known to many of us, and as well esteemed as known, was called hence by our Grand Master above. While death has been busy among the members of our constituent Lodges, this is the only instance in which the Grand Lodge has had occasion specially to mourn.

Immediately after the close of the Grand Lodge, I caused charters to be prepared for the Lodges newly chartered, and deputed proper persons to constitute and consecrate them, and install their officers. This duty my special deputies performed, and made due report of their work.

The serious and continued ill health of our esteemed Grand Treasurer, W. Bro. Stephen C. Michell, caused him to resign his office, to which, on the 24th day of December last, I appointed, *pro tem.*, Past Grand Master SAMUEL M. TODD, the duties of which he has filled since the day of his appointment.

During the season the Board of Directors have made quite extensive changes and improvements in the Grand Lodge Hall, a fair specimen of their work will be seen in the room in which we are

now holding our sessions. A full report of this will be made to you by the Board. I would suggest the appointment of a committee, or that you give instruction to the Board to devise some plan, or plans, for the disbursement of the revenues of this building after the same shall have been fully paid for, and report to you at the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge. It will be then time to act upon this matter.

During the past season Lodge rooms or halls have been erected at Morganza and Greensburg, by the Lodges at those places, to the dedication of which I was invited. Private matters, however, of a pressing nature prevented my attending. R. W. BRO. CARTER, Deputy Grand Master, attended and performed the ceremonies at the latter place, to the great satisfaction of the brethren. A report from him of his proceedings in the premises has been made and is herewith submitted.

I have perused the report of the W. M. of *Louisiana Relief Lodge*, No. 1, for the past year, and can freely commend the interests of that Lodge to your favorable notice. It has, as heretofore, continued in its "work" of charity, a simple statement of which, as shown in its returns, is its best recommendation to the favor and support of all true Masons.

Soon after the close of the last Annual Communication, in obedience to the resolution of the Grand Lodge, passed on the 18th of February, and found on page 115 of the printed proceedings, I divided the State into fourteen Masonic Districts, and taking under my special charge, the Lodges in the Parishes of Orleans and Jefferson, constituting the Masonic District No. 1, appointed the following brethren District Deputy Grand Masters :

W. AMOS KENT, Tanghipaho .....	for District No. 2.
R. W. SAMUEL M. HART, Baton Rouge.....	" " " 3.
R. W. A. G. CARTER, Port Hudson.....	" " " 4.
W. W. S. DE GRAFFENREIDT, Castor.....	" " " 5.
W. ROBT. N. CAMPBELL, Lake Providence..	" " " 6.
R. W. A. S. WASHBURN, Bastrop .....	" " " 7.
R. W. HENRY REGENBURG, Farmersville .....	" " " 8.
W. J. D. CAWTHON, Ringgold .....	" " " 9.
W. CHAS. CHAFFE, Minden .....	" " " 10.
W. J. H. SUTHERLIN, Mansfield.....	" " " 11.
R. W. SAM'L O. SCRUGGS, Cloutierville.....	" " " 12.
R. W. THOMAS H. LEWIS, Opelousas.....	" " " 13.
R. W. JOHN C. GORDY, Franklin .....	" " " 14.



The resolutions of the Grand Lodge under which the foregoing appointments were made, contemplate the presence at the Grand Lodge, this session, of the District Deputy Grand Masters, for the purpose of lecturing together under the supervision of the Committee on Work, until they have acquired the Work and Lectures alike, their actual expenses being provided for.

The Committee on Work have had their duties, relative to the foregoing, under consideration, and will exemplify the Work before the Grand Lodge, and in the presence of the District Deputies, during the Session.

Under an existing resolution of the Grand Lodge, I have, so far as possible, completed the interchange of Representatives with our sister Grand Lodges. As reported last year, our Representatives abroad were as follows :

M. W. LUKE E. BARBOUR,	near the Grand Lodge of Arkansas.
M. W. WM. P. CHILTON,	Alabama.
R. W. E. A. HODSON,	Minnesota.
R. W. JAMES M. AUSTIN,	New York.
R. W. WM. P. RUSSELL,	Vermont.
M. W. JAMES A. LEITCH,	Virginia.

To which have been added during the past year :

M. W. WM. H. HOWARD,	near the Grand Lodge of California.
M. W. HOWARD B. ENSIGN,	Connecticut.
M. W. BENJ. B. FRENCH,	Dist. Columbia
M. W. THOS. BROWN,	Florida.
R. W. GEO. W. ADAMS,	Georgia.
M. W. IRA A. W. BUCK,	Illinois.
R. W. H. G. HAZELRIGG,	Indiana.
M. W. JAS. R. HARTSOCK,	Iowa.
M. W. ROB. MORRIS,	Kentucky.
R. W. L. H. DEERING,	Ireland.
M. W. JOSEPH C. STEVENS,	Maine.
M. W. CHAS. GOODWIN,	Maryland.
M. W. WM. P. MELLEN,	Mississippi.
R. W. JOHN GEORGE,	New Hampshire
R. W. JOSEPH H. HOUGH,	New Jersey.
R. W. A. M. NOBLE,	North Carolina.
M. W. J. B. DODDS,	Ohio.
R. W. THOS. A. DOYLE,	Rhode Island.
M. W. ALBERT G. MACKAY,	South Carolina.
R. W. F. G. ROCHE,	Tennessee.
M. W. F. B. SEXTON,	Texas.

Last year, the following were reported as accredited near this Grand Lodge :

M. W. SAMUEL M. TODD,	by the	Grand Lodge of	Alabama.
R. W. THOS. H. LEIWS,	"	"	Arkansas.
R. W. SAMUEL G. RISK,	"	"	Minnesota.
R. W. ROBT. F. MCGUIRE,	"	"	New York.
M. W. JOHN Q. A. FELLOWS,	"	"	Vermont.
M. W. WM. M. PERKINS,	"	"	Virginia.

During the year, the following credentials have been received, and due credence given them : for

R. W. CHAS. M. EMERSON,	by the	Grand Lodge of	Connecticut.
M. W. JOHN Q. A. FELLOWS,	"	"	Florida.
R. W. JOSHUA JACKSON,	"	"	Illinois.
R. W. CHAS. W. NEWTON,	"	"	Indiana.
R. W. LEWIS E. REYNOLDS,	"	"	Iowa.
R. W. RICH'D B. LAWRENCE,	"	"	Ireland.
R. W. A. G. CARTER,	"	"	Kansas.
R. W. CLIFFORD BELCHER,	"	"	Maine.
R. W. HENRY BIER,	"	"	Maryland.
R. W. EMMET D. CRAIG,	"	"	New Jersey.
R. W. WILLIS P. COLEMAN,	"	"	Ohio.
M. W. WM. M. PERKINS,	"	"	Tennessee.

I trust that in a few years the circle of Grand Lodge Representation will be complete, and that the free interchange of fraternal courtesies on each annual assembly will brighten the links of the chain which unites us into one great Brotherhood.

Several Dispensations for new Lodges have been granted during the year, which will be specially reported to you by our Grand Secretary.

On the 21st February, I granted a Dispensation, *as to time*, to St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, all other formalities being complied with, to receive and act upon the applications of Dr. de Castro and nine others, who, in part, composed Silencio Lodge, a clandestine body under the so-called Supreme Council of Louisiana. The Grand Lodge will recollect the circumstances attending the application of Dr. de Castro, and associates, at the last Annual Communication, and the disposition then made of the matter. Under the Dispensation granted to St. Andrew Lodge, the petition of Dr. de Castro and others was received, acted upon, and the parties initiated into the

three several degrees, in due form. They at once signed a petition for a Dispensation, which, on the recommendation of St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, was granted, under the name of Silencio Lodge. By virtue of this, those Brethren have acted during the year, and have done good Work. Their returns will be laid before the proper Committee, and will, I trust, receive due commendation from the Grand Lodge.

On the 27th February, I granted a Dispensation to Gordy Lodge, No. 133, to elect and install its officers, the Lodge having failed to hold its election at the stated period, and the Master being about to demit from the Lodge.

A complaint was made to me by Bro. Lugenbuhl, of Mt. Moriah Lodge, No. 59, against the ruling of its W. M., but not thinking it of such importance as to require any immediate action, gave friendly advice. The matter remains as it was. The papers are for the examination of the appropriate committee.

A complaint was also made to me by a member of Alpha Home Lodge, No. 72, against its W. M., on a matter of usage. I must say, that for the most part, I agree with the W. M., Bro. J. C. Batchelor, in his views; but as it involved a question of Masonic Law and Usage, in regard to which there may be an honest difference of opinion, I referred the correspondence to the Standing Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence.

The Grand Lodge referred to the Grand Master, for his action, a complaint made against Bro. W. P. Ott, Past Master of Vienna Lodge, No. 106; but as this case was not one calling for the examination of the Grand Lodge, I have taken no proceedings in the matter. I think the case should have been referred to Vienna Lodge for its action, if any should be required in the case.

It is the duty of the Grand Master, either in person or by deputy, to visit the Lodges of this jurisdiction, inspect their Work at least once a year, and see that they Work uniformly and correctly, and according to the Landmarks, Laws, and Usages of the Order; and that the Constitution, Regulations, and Edicts of this Grand Lodge are faithfully obeyed. In compliance with this requirement of our Constitution, I appointed the several District Deputy Grand Masters for the country Districts, and endeavored to perform my part of this duty in person towards the city Lodges. Most of them I have visited,

several of them more than once, though not so often as I could have wished, and have found but little to suggest or correct.

There is one caution, however, I cannot refrain from giving, though it be but a repetition of the ideas of my predecessors. The newly initiated brother is not sufficiently cautioned, in most instances, against soliciting the profane to become members of the Order. I was taught, on my initiation, never to solicit any one to become a Mason ; and without this caution duly impressed upon me at the commencement of my Masonic career, I can easily see how, in my zeal for the Order, I might have honestly and with the best of motives, solicited others to become members of our institution. We cannot be too careful in our scrutiny of those who seek admission among us. No one should seek to enter through the bias of friends, nor should we recommend or vote for any one who, if a member, would not add to the dignity and reputation of the Institution. A merely negative goodness is not that quality which a candidate for our mysteries ought to possess. There should be something positively good in every applicant, with an intellectual capacity sufficient to enable him to display that goodness in a manner that would be to his credit and an honor to the Fraternity.

I have the pleasure in this, my first Annual Address to you, of announcing the final decision of the legal controversies, carried on in our courts by three of our Constituent Lodges for the last four years. These cases are, in the order of their final decision, St. Andrew, No. 5; Foyer Maçonique, No. 44; and Polar Star, No. 1.

In the first case, the *title* to the property was in St. Andrew Lodge Benevolent Association, which, as a body, was opposed to the Grand Lodge. A majority, however, recanted, and returned some years since to their allegiance to the Grand Lodge. Taking into consideration the results in the other two cases as decided by the District Court, the majority of the "Benevolent Association" being those composing St. Andrew Lodge, No. 5, voted to themselves a lease of the property of the corporation. This the Supreme Court decided they could not do, acting, as they did, as the agents of both corporations. The property now remains with both parties, a free use being granted to both for the time being.

A majority, as was contended, of Foyer Maçonique Lodge, No. 44, by resolution, in January, 1857, declared the Lodge no longer under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge, and, as a consequence,

dissolved, and soon after instituted suit claiming that the dissolution of the Lodge be decreed, asking that a receiver be appointed, that the property of the Lodge be sold, and after the payment of the debts, the assets be distributed *pro rata* among all the members. This, the remaining members of the Lodge, retaining their allegiance to the Grand Lodge, opposed. The decision of the District Court was in favor of the plaintiffs. The Supreme Court, however, reversed the judgment, dismissed the suit, leaving the right of property with the defendants, who, giving their allegiance to the Grand Lodge, still constitute Foyer Maçonnique Lodge, No. 44.

On the 14th of Jan., 1858, a majority of Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, formed themselves into a private corporation, as Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, Charitable Association; on the 15th, passed a resolution against the protest of the minority to donate all the property of Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, to themselves as composing that charitable association; and on the 16th, completed their designs by a notarial act of donation, and took possession of the property, estimated at \$20,000. The minority, maintaining their existence as Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, brought suit to recover the property. The suit being lost in the District Court, an appeal was taken, and the judgment reversed, the Supreme Court deciding that the resolution of the 15th January, and the act of donation of the 16th, were null and void, and that the minority constituting Polar Star Lodge, No. 1, recover the property, \$600 per year rent, and the value of the movables; this latter to be fixed on trial in the lower Court.

The principles decided in these cases are, that though any of the members of the Lodge may withdraw at pleasure, yet even though a majority should do so, or should even vote to dissolve the Lodge, the vote would be of no avail; nor would the Lodge be dissolved, if a sufficient number should remain to carry on its functions: That a vote of the Lodge cannot dissolve it; and that the only way a Lodge, being a chartered institution, could be dissolved, would be by the action of the founder, the Grand Lodge, the State, or Courts of Justice declaring the charter forfeited: That all the rights and franchises of the Lodge continued with the remaining members, who, in fact, would constitute the corporation: That the very attempt at dissolving the Lodge, declaring its charter cancelled, and forming themselves into another corporation of the same name, was as effectual a withdrawal as could be, and required no further act on their part, or of a motion.

on the part of others, to bring about a complete severance of their connection with the Lodge.

The decisions of our highest judicial tribunal in these cases has, forever fixed the *status* of the Grand Lodge and its Constituents, as well as the rights of property held by them and all other similar corporations, and will have a great influence in settling all our Masonic difficulties. It was only the hope of retaining possession of the property in controversy, devoted to universal charity, and of diverting it to their own private uses, that has held the malcontents together so long.

Many of them have at all times been virulent and abusive, but of this no special notice has been taken. At the same time, a large majority of their adherents never understood their true position. A controversy of a disagreeable nature, which found its way into the public papers of the day, growing out of the action of the Executive Committee of the Clay Monumental Association, led me to see the necessity of publishing the correspondence between the Chairman of that Committee and myself, in which was set forth clearly, yet concisely, our true position as Masons, and the false position of those who sought to be opposed to us, and who were endeavoring to subvert and overthrow this noble Institution, as it is organized in this State. I deemed this necessary at the time, in order to put the community on their guard against the deception and fraud which was being practiced upon them. I am happy to be able to state that this course had the desired effect—that most of the community at all interested in the subject, as well as a majority of the members of the opposing organization, now understand and appreciate the position which we hold. The Grand Lodge retained its proper position in the ceremonies on the day of the inauguration of the Clay Statue, as will be seen by reference to the appendix of your last Annual Proceedings, which, with the correspondence referred to and herewith appended, are submitted for your examination.

You must permit me here to suggest to the several committees about to be appointed, a careful and early attention to their duties, that by to-morrow evening as much business may be prepared for the action of the Grand Lodge as possible. The Grand Lodge can well act upon no matter until after the same has been properly prepared by the appropriate committees, and laid before them. Promptness in this matter, then, will much hasten the business of this session.

Brethren, in discharge of the sacred trust committed to my care by the Grand Lodge, one year ago, I have endeavored to do my whole duty. Ever feeling my want of ability to discharge those duties as they should be, yet I have never faltered in the firm conviction that my heart was in the work entrusted to me, nor that you would believe me sincere in every thought and deed. There may, and undoubtedly are, many things which a clearer head or an abler man would have done better, yet none of us can pretend to perfection.

When I was first initiated into the Order, I was taught by old Masons never to seek a Masonic office ; that soon enough my Brethren would discover my capabilities, such as they were, and would avail themselves of them. I have remembered this lesson, ever inculcated it, and have an approving conscience in saying that every Masonic office I have ever held has been given me unsolicited, by my Brethren ; and when calling this to mind, I have a feeling of unworthiness of so much honor and confidence.

I have ever looked upon the office of Grand Master as superior, in importance and dignity, to that of any office in the State, that of Justice of the Supreme Court alone excepted, and the equal of that ; and looking upon it in this light, knowing at the same time the liability to an abuse of its powers, and the many responsibilities annexed to it, I entered upon the discharge of its duties with diffidence.

The various acts performed by me, by virtue of my office, have now been laid before you. These you are to examine : if right, to approve ; if, in your opinion, wrong, to disapprove ; yet, in all, I trust you will believe, if error has been committed, it has been alone of the head, and that, in every particular, I have honestly endeavored to do my whole duty.

On motion of Bro. G. W. MUNDAY, the above address was referred to the appropriate Standing Committees on the various subjects treated therein.

The following letter and report from ex-Treasurer STEPHEN C. MICHELL were then read :

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24th, 1860.

To Bro. J. Q. A. Fellows, Most Worshipful Grand Master  
of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana :

DEAR SIR AND BRO.—The undersigned, from inability to perform the duties incumbent upon me as Grand Treasurer, caused by a long series of bad health and frequent absence from the city, beg leave most respectfully to resign my office as Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, to take effect this day, or at the earliest and most convenient interview to be had with you.

My books, vouchers, etc., are at your disposal, or, if desired, will be handed to Standing Committee on Audits and Accounts for examination.

The balance cash on hand in *Louisiana State Bank*, to credit of Grand Lodge, is \$43 87, for which amount I herewith enclose you a check.

Yours, respectfully and fraternally,

STEPHEN C. MICHELL.

STEPHEN C. MICHELL, *in account with*

GRAND LODGE OF LOUISIANA.

1860.	Dr.
February 15.—To balance as approved by Auditing Committee.....	\$ 2,177 35
“ 15.—To amounts received from S. G. Risk, Secretary, from March 19th, to date.....	8,253 20
	<u>\$10,430 55</u>
1860.	Cr.
By Warrants for account Grand Lodge, from Nos. 1 to 33, inclusive.....	\$ 3,867 43
By Warrants for account Grand Lodge Hall, from Nos. 1 to 22, inclusive..	6,519 25
Dec. 24.—By check handed Grand Master.....	43 87
	<u>\$10,430 55</u>

STEPHEN C. MICHELL.

NEW ORLEANS, December 24th, 1860.

Past Grand Master SAMUEL M. TODD, who had been appointed to fill the office of Grand Treasurer, submitted the following report of receipts and disbursements by him since the resignation of Bro. Michell :



*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

BRETHREN—Having been honored by our present M. W. Grand Master, with the appointment to the office of Grand Treasurer, which had become vacant by the resignation of our long-trying, faithful and trustworthy Brother, S. C. Michell, on the 24th December, it becomes my duty to submit to you a statement of the receipts and disbursements by me since that appointment :

1861.

## RECEIPTS.

Jan. 22—To Cash from S. C. Michell, Grand Treasurer.....	\$ 43 87
" 25— " " " Sam'l G. Risk, Grand Secretary.....	5,195 01
Feb. 2— " " " " " " " " .....	1,500 00
" 4— " " " " " " " " .....	2,132 94
	<hr/> \$8,871 82

1861.

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Feb. 4—By Warrants from No. 34 to No. 45, inclusive, for account of Grand Lodge, to date.....	\$3,055 31
Feb. 4—By Warrants from No. 23 to 45, inclusive, for account of Grand Lodge Hall.....	3,341 36—\$6,396 67
Leaving a balance on hand, at date, of.....	<hr/> \$2,475 15

Respectfully and Fraternally,

[Signed]

SAM'L M. TODD, Grand Treasurer.

The Grand Secretary then read the following report :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

BRETHREN—Another year is added to the past, and again devolves upon me the constitutional duty of presenting to you, in detail, a succinct statement of all my official acts since your last Annual Grand Communication. It is with heartfelt gratitude to the Ruler of All Things, that I commence this task—and let us all give thanks unto Him who has so mercifully preserved us, to meet again in health and prosperity, to consult and meditate in love and peace, upon such measures as will secure the greatest good to those we represent ; and may all our counsels and acts be so matured in accordance with the unchangeable principles of our time-honored institution, that they shall reflect honor to the Craft and credit to ourselves.

One month after the close of your Annual Grand Communication of 1860, the proceedings of it were, under the direction of our M. W. Grand Master, printed and ready for distribution among the fraternity. The same quota of fifteen hundred copies were printed, and I have left in the archives, after supplying the calls at home and abroad, about 150 copies ; I think, therefore, that for the present, the same number of copies will be amply sufficient for all practicable purposes. The enquiry from our sister jurisdictions, for our proceedings has been greater than for any year previous, since I have filled the office to which your confidence has elevated me. In every case where I felt satisfied they were for the worthy Masonic student, they have been supplied, and I am pleased to say, thankfully acknowledged.

In accordance with the recommendations of your Committee on Work and Returns of Lodges, U. D., approved by you February 16th, 1860, charters were issued to the following Lodges :

BROOKVILLE, No. 161, located at Oak Ridge, Morehouse Parish ;  
BURNSVILLE, No. 162, located at Shangaloo, Claiborne Parish ;  
ATCHAFALAYA, No. 163, located at Simmsport, Avoyelles Parish ;  
COLUMBIA, No. 164, located at Columbia, Caldwell Parish ;  
LAKE CHARLES, No. 165, located at Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish.

Full return has been made to my office of the legal consecration and constitution of them all into regular Lodges, by those brethren deputed by the M. W. Grand Master for that important trust.

Dispensations, for the establishment of the following new Lodges, have been issued during the past year. In accordance with your own instructions, passed February 20, 1860, and on that day, one to

LINN WOOD LODGE, to be located at Jefferson City, Parish of Jefferson.

Since the closing of your last Annual Grand Communication, by order of the M. W. Grand Master, for the following :

SILENCIO LODGE, on 22d February, 1860, to be located in the City of New Orleans, and working in the Spanish language ;

EXCELSIOR LODGE, on 24th March, 1860, to be located in the City of New Orleans ;

HAYNESVILLE LODGE, on 28th May, 1860, to be located at Haynesville, in the Parish of Claiborne ; and

MONTGOMERY LODGE, on 6th July, 1860, to be located at Montgomery, in the Parish of Winn.

I am pleased to say that each of these new Lodges have, in ac-

cordance with the requirements of the Grand Lodge Regulations, made full returns of all their acts, together with their Dispensations, for your inspection and approval, and which are in readiness for the appropriate committee.

The following applications for Dispensations for new Lodges, have been filed in my office, and are before your committee for their examination, namely :

From seven brethren residing in the parish of Sabine, for a new Lodge to be called *Goodson*, and recommended by Kissatchie Lodge;

From a number of brethren in Havana, Island of Cuba, for the legal constitution of a Lodge in that city.

IBERVILLE LODGE, No. 81.—In 1856 this Lodge forfeited her Charter, her labors ceased, and a heavy burthen of debt rested upon the Lodge, the largest item of debt being that for rent. It will be remembered that I reported to you, at the session of 1859, that the landlord had instituted suit to recover the same, and that, under the authority, and at the request of Deputy Grand Master Samuel M. Todd, I had gone to Plaquemine, assumed the payment of the rent claim, taken possession of the effects of the Lodge, then under seizure, and empowered Bro. J. H. Balch, a member of the Lodge, to dispose of the same to the best advantage, collect what dues he could, and pay off the indebtedness ; all of which you approved and sanctioned. I am now pleased to state, that Bro. J. H. Balch has performed the duties imposed on him in a most creditable manner, by disposing of the effects to the best advantage, realizing an amount nearly sufficient to cancel the rent claim and costs, and refund to some gentlemen the fees which accompanied their petitions to the Lodge, but who had never received their degrees. On the 15th of May last, Bro. Balch made a detailed report of his acts, showing what he had paid, and leaving a balance due him of \$35 70, which, by order of the Grand Master, was paid him. His report will be laid before the appropriate committee.

NAPOLEON LODGE, No. 94, which failed to make any returns for last year, has this year made her returns in full, and paid her dues for both years.

TERRYVILLE LODGE, No. 118, up to the close of your last Annual Grand Communication, had made no returns, but on the 9th of July, 1860, too late for publication in your printed proceedings, made her returns, and paid her dues (\$16 62) in full for year 1859.

PLEASANT HILL LODGE, No. 86.—A petition has been received from several members of this old Lodge, whose charter was forfeited in 1856, asking for a renewal of the same, and giving a detailed history of the cause of forfeiture, which will be before your appropriate committee.

FRIENDSHIP LODGE, No. 114.—This Lodge has failed to make any returns for 1860. A communication has been received from Bro. Jephth Conger, S. W., stating that the Lodge has held no meeting since June last, and asking for advice and redress personally. I have submitted it to the appropriate committee.

LIVONIA LODGE, No. 91.—A petition from ten members of this Lodge has also been filed in my office, asking a renewal of their charter, which was surrendered August 3d, 1857.

LOUISIANA RELIEF LODGE, No. 1.—This Lodge has, in strict accordance with the Grand Lodge Regulations, again made "returns of its officers and members, and the Lodges they represent," and given a clear and interesting "synopsis of all its transactions during the year." By a careful examination of this report, its sphere of usefulness can easily be discerned, through its acts, which speak its own praise.

GRAND LODGE LIBRARY.—In accordance with your resolution of February 14th, 1860, the special committee, composed of Bros. Aaron Harris, W. H. Stewart, and Gustavus Sontag, with an assiduity and zeal truly commendable, have fitted the room selected by your body for a Library, in a neat and comfortable manner, alike creditable to themselves and honorable to your body. The Library, although yet small, contains every work on Masonry which it has been in the power of the Standing Committee on Library to obtain, either by purchase or donation, since its creation. Full editions of Masonic Magazines published in this country and Europe, as far as known, are on its shelves, together with the special works of all Masonic writers who have furnished the world with Monitors, Lexicons, or treatises on the principles of our Institutions. In addition, are many volumes of the actual transactions of our sister Grand Lodges, in most instances from the date of their organization to the present time—furnishing the most correct and only true history of our Order in this country.

There has been added to our Library this year, in addition to the regular Magazines and Proceedings, one valuable work. It is the

*Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, containing 534 pages, and embracing all its transactions from July 8th, 1789, the date of its organization, until, and including its proceedings of, the year 1841. This volume is presented by the Grand Lodge of that State, through Bro. Horace Chase, Grand Secretary, who superintended its compilation.*

MASONIC LAW AND JURISPRUDENCE.—During the past year many letters have been received by me on questions of Masonic Law, some of which have been replied to after consultation with the Chairman of the Standing Committee on these subjects. There are many, however, lately received, remaining unanswered, and I have deemed it proper to lay all the letters before your Committee for their action. Those which have been answered, involve questions likely to arise in our jurisdiction, often, in Lodges which may not see the replies ; and I have thought it would be beneficial and proper, for the information of the Craft generally, to review all the answers given, and classify them in such a manner as the committee might deem best, for publication in our proceedings, in order that they could be referred to as the decisions of this Grand Lodge on mooted points, and save frequent correspondence from other sources on similar points.

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.—The following cases of appeal, which were reported on by your Committee last year, remain yet unfinished, viz :

*Jas. G. Mangham vs. Cool Spring Lodge, No. 140.*—In this case, your committee directed the Lodge to send up a full transcript of all the proceedings had on the trial, in accordance with the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge. On July 6th, 1860, I notified the Secretary of that Lodge of the same, but no transcript has yet been received by me.

*John Touro vs. Louisiana Lodge, No. 102.*—In this case, the Lodge was requested to have the testimony of two brethren taken in writing, and sent to the Grand Secretary. I am informed by the W. M. of that Lodge that this would have been complied with, but that the brethren named have been absent from the city ; but he anticipates soon a compliance with the request.

The following is the only case which has been filed in my office since your last Annual Grand Communication, and is ready for your committee to investigate, namely :

Petition from *A. Coney*, who was expelled by Minden Lodge, No. 51, in August, 1847, for reinstatement. The petitioner is now a resident of California.

We have now under our Jurisdiction 113 Lodges; 108 Chartered, and 5 Under Dispensation. The returns this year have been very late in arriving at my office. In many cases, I am satisfied, these delays have been occasioned by the irregularities which have existed in our mail department for the past two months. Only 39 Lodges Returns reached my office in compliance with the requirements of Section 9, Article 1 of Chapter 2 of the Grand Lodge By-Laws.

The following 77 Lodges are all that have made their returns and paid their dues up to this evening :

LODGES WHICH HAVE MADE RETURNS AND PAID THEIR DUES.

Perfect Union.....	No. 1	Louisiana .....	No. 102
Concorde.....	" 3	Cloutierville.....	" 103
Perseverance.....	" 4	Trinity .....	" 105
Los Amigos del Orden ..	" 5	Castor.....	" 109
St. Andrew.....	" 5	Urim .....	" 111
Humble Cottage.....	" 19	Bartholomew .....	" 112
St. Albans.....	" 28	Thomas Jefferson .....	" 113
Feliciania .....	" 31	Shreveport.....	" 115
Foyer Maçonnique .....	" 44	Acacia.....	" 116
Germania .....	" 46	Millford .....	" 117
St. James .....	" 47	Constantine .....	" 119
Minden .....	" 51	Deerfield .....	" 120
Olive .....	" 52	Kellertown.....	" 124
Union Fraternal.....	" 53	Spring Hill.....	" 127
Lafayette .....	" 56	Solomon .....	" 130
Franklin .....	" 57	Gordy .....	" 133
Friends of Harmony....	" 58	Harry Hill .....	" 134
Mount Moriah.....	" 59	Houma .....	" 139
Western Star.....	" 61	Cool Spring .....	" 140
George Washington....	" 65	Ocean .....	" 144
Dudley .....	" 66	Hope .....	" 145
Marion .....	" 68	Silent Brotherhood ....	" 146
Hiram .....	" 70	Anacoco .....	" 147
Alpha Home.....	" 72	Red Land.....	" 148
Sabine.....	" 75	Perkins .....	" 150
Quitman .....	" 76	Eastern Star.....	" 151

Mount Moriah .....	No. 77	Saints John .....	No. 153
Orleans .....	" 78	Kissatchie ... ..	" 156
Mount Vernon .....	" 83	Rapides .....	" 158
Oliver .....	" 84	Morganza .....	" 159
Lafayette .....	" 87	Livingston .....	" 160
Many .....	" 88	Brookville .....	" 161
Cypress .....	" 89	Burnsville .....	" 162
Thibodaux Benevolent..	" 90	Atchafalaya .....	" 163
Monticello .....	" 92	Columbia .....	" 164
Napoleon, for 1859-'60..	" 94	Linn Wood .....	U. D.
Hermitage .....	" 98	Silencio .....	"
Henderson .....	" 99	Excelsior .....	"
Franklinton .....	" 101		

The following Lodges have made their returns, but not yet paid their dues :

Polar Star .....	No. 1	Pearl River .....	No. 125
Phoenix .....	" 38	Arcadia .....	" 126
DeSoto .....	" 55	Athens .....	" 136
St. Helena .....	" 96	Huntington .....	" 141
Vienna .....	" 106	Downsville .....	" 143
Harrisonburg .....	" 110	Darlington .....	" 149
Lisbon .....	" 121		

And I am sorry to say that the following Lodges have neither made returns nor paid dues up to this day :

Jackson .....	No. 45	Liberty .....	No. 123
Providence .....	" 50	Dawson .....	" 129
Mt. Gerizim .....	" 54	Shiloh .....	" 131
Tunica .....	" 63	Warren .....	" 132
St. Joseph .....	" 79	Plains .....	" 135
De Witt Clinton .....	" 80	Homer .....	" 152
Mt. Lebanon .....	" 104	Fillmore .....	" 154
Sparta .....	" 108	Cherry Ridge .....	" 155
Friendship .....	" 114	Grosse Tête .....	" 157
Terryville .....	" 118	Lake Charles .....	" 165
Mackey .....	" 122		

The following unfinished business has been specially set by the last Annual Grand Communication for action at this :

Bro. G. W. MUNDAY offered the following resolution as an addenda

to the report of the Committee on Work, which being read, was unanimously adopted :

*Resolved*, That the third day of the next Annual Grand Communication be set specially apart for the purpose of the exemplification of the Work by the Committee on Work, before the dissemination of the same by the above District Deputy Grand Masters.

The following addition to the By-Laws, offered by Bro. S. G. PARSONS, at the Annual Communication of 1859, was called up by him last session, and on his own motion laid over to this one :

*Resolved*, That after the present session this Grand Lodge will pay the expenses actually incurred for the attendance of one Delegate from each of the Subordinate Lodges at its Annual Grand Communications.

Having submitted, Brethren of the Grand Lodge, the transactions of my office for another year, I again tender to the various officers of Lodges throughout our Jurisdiction, my sincere thanks for the kind, prompt and faithful manner in which the official notices emanating from my office have been treated and attended to.

Accompanying, I transmit a balance sheet of the books and accounts, which your appropriate committee have before them.

Hoping the deliberations of your present Communication may be conducted with calm and deliberate Wisdom, ensuring Peace and Harmony, and redounding to the glory of our time-honored institution,

I am, fraternally, etc.,

SAMUEL G. RISK, *Grand Secretary*.

On motion of Bro. G. W. MUNDAY, the Grand Secretary's Report was referred to the appropriate Standing Committees on the subjects therein reported on.

The following report from the BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GRAND LODGE HALL was then submitted by Past Grand Master Wm. M. Perkins :

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

The Board of Directors of the Grand Lodge Masonic Hall respectfully present this, their Eighth Annual Report.

In our last report it was stated that the large hall in the centre of the main building did not yield one-half the revenue it ought, and which it would give, were it made available for lectures, concerts,



etc.; that the ceiling was too high; that speaking so as to be distinctly heard was extremely difficult, and that it could only be rented for fairs, balls and exhibitions.

For several years, the Board of Directors have been looking for the time when they could make an alteration in this part of the building, by which this Hall might be made more valuable, and at the same time secure a new story above, to be fitted up as Lodge Rooms for the benefit of the Craft, and which would add to the revenue of the building.

On the evening of the 21st of March, 1860, a fire broke out in the roof of the corridor, which was extinguished with slight damage. The Board of Directors thought this a favorable opportunity for carrying out the long-contemplated improvement. Accordingly, on the 23d of March, they compromised with the Insurance Companies for the sum of \$1,000 cash; and on the 27th, the Committee on Building was authorized to obtain proposals for putting a new story, with suitable stairways, over the ball room, the security of the building to be fully guaranteed.

On the 11th of May, the Board of Directors accepted the proposition of Messrs. Gallier & Esterbrook to do the work proposed, for the sum of \$7,200. They were the original architects, guaranteed the safety of the building, and were fully responsible. The Board thereby avoided the expense of employing an architect to superintend the work. The terms of the contract were:

- \$1,800 cash on commencement of the work;
- \$1,800 cash on completion of the same; and
- \$3,600 note, without interest, payable March 1, 1861.

The work was finished, accepted by the Board of Directors, and paid for as above, September 15, 1860.

In addition to this, the sum of \$979 has been expended in painting and decorating the Hall—making it the finest and one of the most desirable rooms in the city.

Several Masonic bodies occupying the upper story of the building on Perdido street, in the rear of the Hall, the lease of which was about to expire, and several R. A. Chapters meeting in the north Lodge Room, on the 31st of July, made a proposition to the Board of Directors to rent the new rooms in the third story, if fitted up by the Board, so that the rooms would be suitable to their labors, on a plan submitted by them—so much of their furniture and fixtures as

could be used to be taken at a fair valuation. The Board accepted the proposition, at a rent, gas included, of \$200 per annum for bodies having regular meetings, and for extra and occasional meetings to pay from \$3 to \$8 per meeting, according to circumstances. These bodies advanced one year's rent to assist in fitting up the rooms, and the work commenced as soon as this was complied with. The rooms are now finished and ready for the bodies to occupy.

The following expense has been incurred in this undertaking :

J. R. Turek's contract for Carpenter Work.....	\$2,230 00
D. Hill, for Gas Fixtures .....	442 07
Watkins & Homan, for Carpets .....	732 82
A. Boulet, for Frescoing and Decorating.....	590 00
Fixtures and Furniture of the bodies renting....	432 00
Total.....	<u>\$4,426 89</u>

The Board of Directors would respectfully invite the M. W. Grand Lodge to examine the improvements, and take into consideration the propriety of their having been undertaken. Additional accommodation was wanted in the Hall, for the bodies meeting in the adjoining building, their lease having only a few months to run, and was not renewable. The members of these bodies, and others joining them, belong to our Constituent Lodges, have contributed their quota of the Grand Lodge Hall tax to secure the Hall, and are deeply interested in its prosperity. But for this improvement, they would have been put to heavy expense, scattered over different parts of the city, and their usefulness impaired. Now they can all meet in the same Temple, and the bonds of union be more strongly cemented. The social meetings of the brethren will be more frequent than if the bodies were in scattered localities, and it will greatly conduce to the preservation of that harmony which should always be the distinguishing characteristic of the Universal Brotherhood.

In a pecuniary point of view, it is believed that the improvements will be equally advantageous. The whole expense incurred amounts to about \$12,000. This sum, it is true, would have extinguished the debt of the Grand Lodge Hall. But the value of the large Hall is nearly doubled, and the Board feel confident that the additional revenue from the new investment will, under favorable circumstances, very soon liquidate the whole debt of the building.

One of the first fruits of the improvement is the renting of the Hall on Sundays to the Baptist Tabernacle Congregation, for one

year, from November 1, 1860, at \$720 per annum, and they are highly pleased with it.

On the 8th of May, 1860, Messrs. H. McCloskey & Co. proposed an extension of their lease for five years from the expiration of the present one, November 1, 1861, at an advance of \$300 per annum, and offered to pay one year's rent at once. This offer was accepted, and the lease extended accordingly at the rental of \$1,800 per annum. The lease of W. P. Coleman has also been renewed for one year from November 1, 1860, at an increase of \$300, making his rent \$1,200 per annum.

The Board have also increased the rent of the Lodges meeting in the north and south wings from \$12 50 to \$15 per month, from the 1st of January last—it having been ascertained that the former rate did not afford a proper return for the wear and tear of furniture, gas, etc.

The revenue to be derived from the building for the present year is, as follows :

LOWER FLOOR (ALL EXPIRING 31ST OCTOBER, 1861).

McCerran, Landry & Co.....	\$2,000	per annum.
W. P. Coleman.....	1,200	“ “
H. McCloskey & Co.....	1,500	“ “

THIRD FLOOR.

North wing to three Masonic bodies... ..	540	“ “
South wing to six Masonic bodies.....	1,080	“ “
New rooms over Hall.....	1,000	“ “

MIDDLE FLOOR.

Office of Grand Secretary and Grand Lodge Library..	300	“ “
Large Hall.....	720	“ “

\$8,140

There are no other regular tenants, but there will be an additional revenue from Masonic bodies which will hold occasional meetings in the new rooms, and there can be little doubt that the Lodge room on the north wing will soon be occupied for the three unengaged evenings. The Hall will also be in more request, and it is confidently expected that the revenue from it will satisfy our most sanguine expectations.

The Board of Directors have nothing further, in reference to the transactions of the past year, to present to the consideration of the Grand Lodge. With the improvements now completed, the prospect

of largely increasing the rental of the building is rendered certain. In a few years the debt will be extinguished, and the revenues will then form a perennial stream of Charity as long as our organization shall exist. Let us assiduously and faithfully watch over the sacred trust committed to our care, and let its management be such, that, while reflecting credit upon the Fraternity, the cause of Heaven-born Charity, to which it is devoted, may never be lost sight of.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. M. PERKINS, for the Board.

On motion of Bro. N. H. BRAY, the Report of the Board of Directors of the Grand Lodge Hall was received and ordered to be spread upon the minutes.

The W. Grand Secretary then read the following Report from LOUISIANA RELIEF LODGE, No. 1, which was, on motion, ordered to be spread upon the minutes :

**Report of Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1.**

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

On the return of another Annual Communication, Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1, begs leave to present the following report :

And first, we would render our grateful homage to the Grand Architect of the Universe for his loving-kindness towards us during the past year, in blessing our city with health, and keeping far from our midst the devouring pestilence. While we have escaped the great personal exertion and increased expenditure which attends an epidemic, the calls for assistance have been no less urgent and frequent. Misfortune and disappointment, sickness and death, and the widow and the orphan, are always in our midst, appealing for aid, assistance and consolation. More especially has this been the case towards the close of the past year. Causes, which are familiar to all, entirely deranged business—numbers were thrown out of situations, and the multitudes who flock to this city every fall in search of employment were doomed to disappointment. Among them were a large number of Masons, and to the relief of the worthy, so far as our means would permit, have our charities been extended. Substantially the same system has been pursued, and this has been explained so often, that it is deemed superfluous to repeat it.

*It may not, however, be irrelevant to remark, that the greater number of applications for relief are from unaffiliated Masons, and those generally from jurisdictions which do not publish the returns of their Subordinate Lodges.* Diplomas are occasionally exhibited of ancient dates, and relief claimed as a right on the strength of the parchment, even when the applicant cannot prove himself. In one instance, forty-three years had elapsed, according to the statement of the applicant, since he had visited his Lodge, or contributed one cent to the support of the Order. This is an extreme case, but it is no rare occurrence to have applications for relief from those who, for periods of ten and fifteen years, have been in the same situation. Our by-laws prohibit the recognition of any such claims, and as far as possible they are adhered to. When there is a reasonable doubt, and the case is urgent, the applicant has the benefit of it; but in such cases, the publication of the lists of membership by all the Grand Lodges would be a check upon the unworthy.

In the absence of such lists, and also in cases of doubt, we have adopted the system of writing for information to the jurisdiction from whence the applicants hail. As a general rule, our communications have been answered and valuable information obtained, and, in particular, we would return our thanks to Bro. J. M. Austin, Grand Secretary of New York, and Bro. Theo. Parvin, Grand Secretary of Iowa, for the promptness with which they have answered our frequent inquiries.

We would respectfully call the attention of the Grand Lodge to the practice which prevails in some jurisdictions of conferring side-degrees upon females. Numerous applications for relief are made, and assistance claimed *as a right* upon the strength of these so-called degrees. Knowing nothing of them *per se*, the Relief Lodge can recognize no such claims, but when the applicant can satisfy us that she is worthy and entitled to our aid, it is always liberally extended, and we can see no benefit to be gained by innovations and inventions, which, however harmless in themselves, have been often found in the possession of the worthless and the vile.

During the past year, the Relief Lodge Tomb, in Greenwood Cemetery, has been entirely renovated, and a new wing built, containing twenty-four vaults, and corresponding in all respects with the original structure. The contract for this work was \$1,500. Of this amount, \$1,000 has been paid, and a note for \$500, due 1st of

April, given for the balance. When this improvement was undertaken, the Relief Lodge had every prospect to meet the payment of this note, but the heavy drain upon our treasury at the close of the past, and beginning of the present year, almost forbids such a hope. Under these circumstances, it may become necessary to draw that amount from the funds belonging to the Relief Lodge, which were loaned to the Grand Lodge Hall, and should such an emergency occur, we have no doubt that the Board of Directors will enable us to meet promptly our engagements.

There is still another wing to be built, before the Tomb will be completed according to the original design. At present there are sixty-four vaults, besides the receiving vault—when completed, there will be ninety-six vaults. Our intention is to complete it as soon as circumstances will permit, and thus secure a last resting place to those brethren of other jurisdictions who may happen to die among us.

Our Secretary, Bro. A. DeSola, has prepared the following statement of the Receipts and Expenditures of the Relief Lodge for the year 1860 :

#### RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand January 1, 1860.....	\$1,024 91	
Received from Friends of Harmony Lodge, No. 58.....	\$281 00	
“ “ George Washington Lodge, No. 65 .....	333 00	
“ “ Dudley Lodge, No. 66.....	237 00	
“ “ Marion Lodge, No. 68 .....	295 75	
“ “ Alpha Home Lodge, No. 72.....	80 00	
“ “ Quitman Lodge, No. 76 .....	263 25	
“ “ Louisiana Lodge, No. 102.....	50 00	
“ “ Home Lodge, No. 142, (old balance).....	48 00	
“ “ Ocean Lodge, No. 144.....	180 00	
	<hr/>	1,768 00
Donation from Grand Lodge of Connecticut.....	245 50	
“ “ Grand Lodge of Georgia.....	100 00	
“ “ Grand Consistory of Louisiana .....	90	
“ “ Washington Naval Lodge, No. 4, D. C.....	25 00	
“ “ Doric Lodge, No. 280, New York.....	35 00	
“ “ Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 40, St. Louis.....	10 00	
“ “ P. G. M. Wm. M. Perkins.....	31 75	
	<hr/>	448 15
Returned by two Ohio brethren.....	40 00	
“ a St. Louis brother.....	10 00	
“ a Texas brother.....	15 00	
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Amount forwarded.....	\$65 00	3,241 06

Amount brought forward.....	\$65 00	3,241 06
Returned by an Iowa brother.....	15 00	
"    a Louisiana brother.....	30 00	
"    a Pennsylvania brother.....	10 00	
		<hr/> 120 00
Returned by Bro. Walter Nicol, amount paid him in error.....	480 00	
Received for use of Vaults.....	35 00	
"    Premium on Draft.....		40
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Total receipts.....	\$3,876 46	
Total disbursements for 1860.....	3,087 15	
		<hr/> \$ 789 31
Orders in hands of Secretary not cashed .....	\$365 00	
Due by Secretary.....	2	
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Amount in treasury, December 31, 1860.....	\$ 424 29	

## DISBURSEMENTS.

To applicants from Alabama.....	\$ 10 00
"    "    Arkansas.....	10 00
"    "    California.....	55 00
"    "    District of Columbia.....	30 00
"    "    Georgia.....	10 00
"    "    Illinois.....	37 50
"    "    Indiana.....	15 00
"    "    Iowa.....	20 00
"    "    Kansas.....	25 00
"    "    Kentucky .....	67 50
"    "    Maine .....	35 00
"    "    Maryland.....	12 00
"    "    Massachusetts .....	15 00
"    "    Michigan.....	5 00
"    "    Minnesota.....	10 00
"    "    Mississippi.....	55 00
"    "    Missouri.....	121 00
"    "    New Hampshire.....	10 00
"    "    New Jersey.....	5 00
"    "    New York.....	222 00
"    "    Ohio.....	55 00
"    "    Pennsylvania .....	104 00

Amount forwarded..... \$929 00

Amount brought forward.....	\$929 00	
To applicants from Rhode Island.....	10 00	
“ “ South Carolina.....	105 00	
“ “ Texas.....	195 00	
“ “ Virginia.....	79 00	
“ “ Wisconsin.....	20 00	
	<u>—————</u>	\$1,338 00
“ “ Antigua, West Indies*.....	\$ 10 00	
“ “ Jamaica, West Indies*.....	65 00	
“ “ Nova Scotia*.....	30 00	
	<u>—————</u>	\$ 105 00
“ “ France .....	20 00	
“ “ Holland.....	12 50	
“ “ Ireland.....	67 00	
“ “ Scotland.....	60 00	
	<u>—————</u>	264 50
To Masons of Louisiana.....	\$ 120 00	
To Widows and Orphans of Louisiana.....	153 00	
	<u>—————</u>	273 00
Repairs and additions to Tomb.....	\$1000 00	
Tomb Expenses .....	121 00	
	<u>—————</u>	1,121 00
Secretary's salary for 1860.....	60 00	
Tyling, stationery, postage, etc.....	30 25	
Discount on uncurrent money.....	40	
Total Disbursements for the year 1860.....	<u>—————</u>	<u>\$3,087 15</u>

## RECAPITULATION OF DISBURSEMENTS.

To Masons of Louisiana.....	\$ 120 00	
“ other State jurisdictions.....	996 00	
“ Foreign jurisdictions.....	244 50	
	<u>—————</u>	\$1,360 50
To Widows and Orphans of Louisiana.....	\$ 153 00	
“ “ other State jurisdictions.....	342 00	
“ “ Foreign jurisdictions.....	20 00	
	<u>—————</u>	515 00
Total relief granted in 1860.....	1,875 50	
Repairs and addition to Tomb.....	1,000 00	
Tomb Expenses.....	121 00	
Secretary's salary, tyling, etc .....	90 25	
Discount on uncurrent money.....	40	
Total disbursements.....	<u>—————</u>	<u>\$3,087 15</u>

\* Lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of England.



We have again to return our thanks for the sympathy and assistance extended to us by other jurisdictions. A glance at our receipts will show that during the past year the Grand Lodges of Connecticut and Georgia have shown their appreciation of our labors by donating to us material aid. Washington Naval Lodge, No. 4, D. C.; Doric Lodge, No. 280, New York; and Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 40, St. Louis, have also testified their approval of our "work" in the same manner.

To that true and steadfast friend of the Relief Lodge, Past Grand Master Wm. M. Perkins, we again return our thanks for his annual donation of \$31 75.

A pleasing feature in the present report is the amounts returned by individual Masons who have been assisted by the Relief Lodge. Considering the numbers relieved, who, notwithstanding their promise, do not even write to us after they have reached their homes, those brethren who have kept their faith are deserving of all praise; and it is a matter of congratulation to us to know that our charities have been bestowed upon some who have proved themselves truly worthy.

Hoping that our "work" may be ever such as to merit a continuance of the approbation of the Grand Lodge, this report is respectfully and fraternally submitted on behalf of the Lodge.

JAMES B. SCOT, W. M.,

Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1.

The Standing Committee on Audit and Accounts, for the year 1860, then presented the following report :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

BRETHREN—Your Committee on Audit and Accounts respectfully report, that from time to time they have examined and audited such bills as have been submitted to them by the Grand Secretary. They have also examined the books and other documents of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, and find the same correct, with properly authenticated vouchers, showing a balance of \$2,475 15 in the Grand Treasurer's hands, February 4th, 1861.

Your Committee beg leave to refer to the balance sheet submitted

to them by the Grand Secretary, as presenting a general condition of the finances of the Grand Lodge. They would respectfully direct the attention of the Grand Lodge to the various balances of Subordinate Lodges, and recommend that some action be had by the Grand Lodge in relation to the same, as we are paying heavy interest on the amount of our indebtedness.

Your Committee, in the further discharge of their duty, have cancelled the warrants examined by them and returned the same to the Grand Secretary.

In conclusion, your Committee take great pleasure in bearing testimony to the very neat and business-like manner in which the books continue to be kept by the Grand Secretary.

Having performed the duty assigned to them by the Grand Lodge, as per resolution to be found at page 135 of the Proceedings of 1860, they respectfully beg leave to be discharged.

Respectfully submitted,

EDW'D BARNETT,	} Committee.
W. C. DRIVER,	
F. H. HATCH,	

On motion of Bro. G. W. MUNDAY, the report was received and adopted, and the Committee discharged.

The Special Committee appointed last Annual Communication, under resolution, to fit up rooms for the Grand Lodge Library, and Grand Secretary's office, submitted the following report :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee appointed to fit up the Grand Lodge Library, and office for the Grand Secretary, beg leave to report as follows :

That the work entrusted to their superintendence has received their best attention, and has been finished in the most economical manner possible, with, at the same time, all due attention to neatness and comfort, and on inspection, your Committee trust will prove satisfactory.

The cost and expenses of said work are as follows :

FOR GRAND LODGE LIBRARY.—For work of carpenter, plasterer, paper-hanger, painter, upholsterer, including new furniture, etc., \$695 80 ; gas fitting, \$25 05—together, \$720 85

FOR GRAND SECRETARY'S OFFICE.—For work of carpenter, plasterer, paper-hanger, painter, \$313 70 ; furniture, say desks, chairs, etc., \$92 ; carpets, \$49 38 ; gas fitting, \$70 92—together, \$526. Making a total for the two rooms of \$1246 85.

The Grand Secretary's office is now located in that part of the building best adapted for the convenience of all having business with the officer in charge, and its arrangement admirably adapted to safely and methodically accommodate our annually increasing archives for many years to come.

The Library room is now, for the first time, in a suitable manner adapted to the purposes for which the Library was contemplated. Here the members of the Masonic Fraternity have now a quiet and retired place for reading and study, which was before impossible, owing to its close proximity with the principal business office in the Hall.

The room is so completely arranged and fitted up, as to safely accommodate, for easy access, 3,000 volumes, and without any additional expense, will serve its purposes for many years to come.

Respectfully and fraternally,

AARON HARRIS,	} Committee.
G. SONTAG,	
WM. H. STEWART,	

NEW ORLEANS, February 11, 1861.

On motion of Bro. A. S. WASHBURN, the above report was received and adopted.

The Standing Committee on History of Masonry in Louisiana, submitted the following report :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Masonic History report progress. A rough draft of an introduction to the work contemplated, and of a sketch of the early History of Freemasonry in Louisiana, bringing it down to the organization of the Grand Lodge, has been prepared. The Grand

Translator has, in the meantime, made a translation of the most important portions of our Records down to the year 1850. On consultation, however, the Committee are of opinion that much larger portions of the Records should be translated; and unless otherwise ordered, shall direct the Grand Translator to make a complete translation of the entire Records, omitting, of course, the list of members present and the formal portions. In our old Records, these exceptions occupy more than half of the Records.

Your Committee would suggest that authority be granted to publish the essential portions of the Records, with a proper introduction, in parts of about 100 pages each, so soon as they shall be prepared—say 2000 copies—and reserving 200 for the use of the Grand Lodge, dispose of the remainder at the cost of printing and binding the whole edition, to any regular Lodge or members of Lodges.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Q. A. FELLOWS,	} Committee.
SAM'L G. RISK,	
EDWARD BARNETT,	

On motion of Bro. AARON HARRIS, the above report was received and adopted.

Bro. W. C. DRIVER, offered the following resolution, which being read, was, on motion adopted:

*Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed to take into consideration the report and request of the Masonic Convention held at Chicago, in regard to the formation of a North American Masonic Congress, and in view of the action of sister Grand Lodges in the premises, to make such suggestion to this Grand Lodge as they may deem best.

The M. W. Grand Master appointed the following committee, under the above resolution, viz: Bros. Wm. C. Driver, G. W. Munday, and G. W. Catlett.

Bro. S. O. SCRUGGS, on behalf of Phoenix Lodge, No. 38, stated, that they had been to a very heavy expense

and outlay as a Lodge, and individually, in erecting a fine hall, and that they had made their returns, but paid no dues for this year; and moved that the dues be remitted, and the Lodge declared entitled to a representation; when, at the suggestion of

Past Grand Master, WM. M. PERKINS, the subject was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until half-past six o'clock to-morrow (Tuesday) evening.

(Signed)

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, Grand Master.

LEWIS TEXADA, Senior Grand Warden, *p. t.*

HY. REGENBURG, Junior Grand Warden.

GRAND LODGE HALL, }  
NEW ORLEANS, TUESDAY, Feb. 12th, 1861. }

The M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, was called to labor this evening, in the Third Degree, at half-past six o'clock, the following

OFFICERS PRESENT:

J. Q. A. FELLOWS .....	M. W. Grand Master.
A. G. CARTER.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
LEWIS TEXADA.....	as R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
HY. REGENBURG .....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
G. W. CATLETT.....	as W. Grand Treasurer.
SAMUEL G. RISK .....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES, D.D.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
G. W. MUNDAY .....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
W. C. DRIVER.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
J. D. CATLIN .....	W. Grand Marshal.
G. B. BURR .....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
JOS. P. HORNER .....	W. Grand Pursuivant.
A. E. DICK.....	as
W. A. CARTER.....	as
B. DA SILVA .....	
GUSTAVUS SONTAG.....	
} W. Grand Stewards.	
JAMES B. SCOT .....	W. Grand Tyler.

The roll of Lodges being called, the following were found to be represented:

Nos. P. U. 1, P. S. 1, L. O. 5, 19, 28, 31, 51, 52, 53, 54, 57, 58, 59, 63, 65, 68, 72, 75, 76, 87, 88, 90, 92, 96, 98, 99, 101, 102, 103, 105, 111, 120, 124, 130, 145, 146, 147, 148, 151, 158, 159, 160, 162. Total—43 Chartered Lodges.

The minutes of the session of Monday, February 11, were then read and approved.

The Grand Secretary then submitted the following report :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

BRETHREN—I have to report to you, that since your session of last evening, St. Helena Lodge, No. 96 ; Huntington Lodge, No. 141, and Darlington Lodge, No. 149, which had previously made their returns, have paid their dues ; and Mt. Gerizim Lodge, No. 54, and Tunica Lodge, No. 63, have both made returns and paid their dues.

Plains Lodge, No. 135, I am informed by the Senior Warden, Bro. J. D. Nettles, had forwarded her returns some time ago by mail, but from some cause or other they have not yet reached my office ; he has paid the dues, and asks that his Lodge may be allowed a representation.

Respectfully and fraternally,

SAML G. RISK, Grand Secretary.

On motion of Deputy Grand Master CARTER, the report was received, and that portion relating to Plains Lodge, No. 135, referred to the Committee on Credentials.

The Committee on Credentials submitted the following report, which was read, and, on motion, adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following Brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge, viz :

MOUNT GERIZIM.....	No. 54—	R. D. Marble, W. M.
		G. J. Humbert, S. W.
		R. H. Jones, J. W.
TUNICA.....	No. 63—	H. Hobgood, W. M.
		R. Day, S. W.
		J. J. Seeders, J. W.

ST. HELENA.....	No. 96—	W. A. Carter, W. M. Amos Kent, S. W. J. J. Thompson, J. W.
UBIM.....	No. 111—	T. R. Micks, proxy for W. M.
HUNTINGTON.....	No. 141—	G. R. Griggs, W. M. F. M. Canfield, S. W. P. P. Bates, J. W.
DARLINGTON.....	No. 149—	M. M. Collins, W. M. O. L. Collins, S. W. Hezekiah Thompson, J. W.

From information received from Bro. J. D. Nettles, S. W., in regard to the returns of Plains Lodge, No. 135, having been sent by mail and supposed to be lost on board the steamer Charmer, and having paid her dues, we would recommend that Plains Lodge, No. 135, be permitted a representation in this Grand Lodge.

We would further report, that we have received a proxy, presented by Bro. Jno. McLaughlin, on behalf of the officers of Harrisonburg Lodge, No. 110; but that Lodge having not yet paid her dues to the Grand Lodge, she is not entitled to a representation.

Fraternally submitted,

J. D. CATLIN, WALTER T. COYLE, RICH'D B. LAWRENCE,	} Committee.
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The Committee on Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges, offered the following report and resolutions, which were read and adopted :

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Chartered Lodges beg leave to report :

IBERVILLE LODGE, No. 81.—That they have examined the papers in the case of Iberville Lodge, No. 81, which forfeited its Charter in 1856, with an amount of indebtedness hanging over it, which was assumed by this Grand Lodge. It appears from the documents submitted, that Bro. J. H. Balch, who was empowered to dispose of the property of the Lodge, collect its dues, and pay the debts, has performed that duty, as stated in the report of the Grand Secretary, in a satisfactory manner. After discharging all the debts of the



Lodge, the amount due to him, as assumed by this Grand Body, was thirty-five dollars and seventy cents, which has been paid him by order of the M. W. Grand Master, which act your committee approve.

FRIENDSHIP LODGE, No. 114.—The communication of Jephtha Conger, of Friendship Lodge, No. 114, has been examined by your committee. We think, if his representation of the condition of said Lodge be true, that the best way for him to obtain relief will be for the Lodge to surrender its Charter, and ask for certificates of Masonic standing from the Grand Lodge.

PLEASANT HILL LODGE, No. 86.—Your committee have examined the statement accompanying the petition for the restoration of the Charter of this Lodge, and would recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

LIVONIA LODGE, No. 91.—We have also examined the petition of certain brethren asking to have the Charter and effects of this Lodge restored, which we would recommend. We, therefore, submit the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Grand Secretary be authorized to restore the Charters of Pleasant Hill Lodge, No. 86, and Livonia Lodge, No. 91 (which were some time since forfeited), on the petitioners complying with all the requirements and regulations of this Grand Lodge, for such cases made and provided.

All which is respectfully submitted,

A. S. WASHBURN,	} Committee.
C. A. DE FRANCE,	
N. H. BRAY,	

The Committee on Lodges Under Dispensation submitted the following report and resolutions :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Work and Returns of Lodges Under Dispensation, have examined the work and returns of the following Lodges, placed in their hands by the W. Grand Secretary, and respectfully beg leave to offer the following report and resolutions appended, for the action of this M. W. Grand Lodge :

SILENCIO LODGE, U. D.—This Lodge, in accordance with the requirements of the Grand Lodge, has sent up its Dispensation, minutes and returns. The returns are correct. From these it appears, as

well as from the minutes, that this Lodge has conferred eighty degrees during the year. The By-Laws of this Lodge have been examined and found to be in harmony with the laws and usages of Masonry, and the requirements of the Constitution. The work done by this Lodge, and the manner in which it is done, deserves the praise of this Grand Lodge, and if we are sometimes obliged to blame, let us say that in this case it is a duty as well as a pleasure to give credit to Silencio Lodge. We would, therefore, recommend that a Charter be granted on their petition to that purpose.

The petitioners ask, not only as a favor, but as a measure of good policy also, to have the No. 9. The reasons alleged are plausible; for we know that this Lodge, when irregular, bore that number, and after the withdrawal of all its members from a spurious jurisdiction, a so-called Lodge of that same name and number was gotten up, for the purpose of causing uninitiated persons to believe that the spurious Silencio Lodge, No. 9, was still existing as heretofore.

EXCELSIOR LODGE, U. D.—This Lodge has also sent up her Dispensation, minutes, by-laws and returns. Thirty-nine degrees were conferred during the year. This Lodge has done good work, and your committee do not hesitate to recommend that a Charter be granted to the petitioners. However, one irregularity appears on the returns of this Lodge, viz: the name of Bro. N. B. Benedict, who is a member of Dudley Lodge, and returned as such.

A petition without date, and received February 6th, 1861, from seven petitioners, representing themselves as M. M., with a recommendation from Kissatchie Lodge, No. 156, asking for a Dispensation for a new Lodge in the parish of Sabine, to be called "Goodson Lodge," was examined by your committee. We must say that the recommendation of said Lodge is not in accordance with the requirements of the Grand Lodge, in the fact that the signers are not certified to as being regular M. M. in good standing, and vouched for as being competent to confer the first three Degrees. We therefore recommend that the whole matter be referred to the M. W. Grand Master, with power to act in the premises as he may deem proper.

Another petition, from persons living in Havana, for the purpose of forming a Lodge there, was also examined by your committee. We see no recommendation to that petition, and we consequently do not know whether the persons are regular Masons or not. Besides this want of proper recommendation in the premises, we

know that there exists already a regular Masonic authority in the Island of Cuba, and it does not appear to us that this Grand Lodge can interfere with a foreign jurisdiction.

We therefore recommend that the petitioners apply to the proper authority of Cuba, and that the W. Grand Secretary write to them to that effect.

JOHN C. GORDY,  
WM. H. STEWART, } Committee.  
CH. LAFFON,

1. *Resolved*, That Charters be granted to Silencio Lodge, No. 9, and to Excelsior Lodge, No. 166.

2. *Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge cannot properly take into consideration the petition of the persons from Havana, praying for a Charter, as there is already a legal Masonic authority in the Island of Cuba.

3. *Resolved*, That the M. W. Grand Master be respectfully requested to act on the petition of members from Sabine, praying for a Dispensation.

On motion of Bro. A. E. DICK, the report was received, and the resolutions ordered to be acted on separately.

The first resolution was then called up, and being read, it was moved that the same be adopted, when

Bro. M. E. GIRARD moved to amend, by striking out the words "No. 9."

Some debate ensued thereon, when the question being called,

Bro. AARON HARRIS moved that the vote be taken by a call of Lodges, which being duly seconded, was done, and resulted as follows :

YEAS—Nos. 19, 28, 53, 54, 63, 65, 87, 88, 102, 111, 130, 145, 151, 162—Total, 14 Lodges.

NAYS—Nos. P. U. 1, P. S. 1, L. O. 5, 51, 52, 58, 59, 68, 70, 72, 75, 76, 78, 90, 92, 96, 98, 99, 103, 120, 124, 144, 147, 148, 153, 158—Total, 26 Lodges.

The motion to strike out being lost, the question then recurred upon the original motion to adopt, which, being put, was carried.

The second resolution was then read, and after some debate thereon, Past Grand Master J. H. HOLLAND moved that it lie over indefinitely, which was carried.

The third resolution was then read, and, on motion, adopted.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances submitted the following report, which was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have examined the papers placed in their hands by the Grand Secretary, and find :

1st—The petition of A. Coney, who, in the year 1847, was expelled by Minden Lodge, No. 51, to be reinstated and restored to the rights and privileges of Masonry.

This petition is accompanied by recommendations of the highest character, but the requirements of the Constitution and the General Regulations of the Grand Lodge in such cases is not complied with. Sec. 8, Art. 3, Chap. 2, says : “ Nor shall a brother who has been expelled be restored to Masonic privileges except by the Grand Lodge, and on recommendation of the Lodge that expelled him.”

Your committee has no doubt, that if the brethren of Minden Lodge had been applied to, and the recommendations accompanying the petition been submitted to them, they would have recommended the petition, unless the case had been attended with very aggravating circumstances; we would, therefore, recommend that the Grand Secretary forward the proceedings in this case to Minden Lodge, No. 51, for their action; and that, in case they are returned with the recommendation of said Lodge, A. Coney be restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry, and that the Grand Secretary issue and forward his certificates accordingly.

2d—The appeal of John Touro we find in the same defective condition as when acted on at the last Grand Communication. We find from a letter of the Secretary of Louisiana Lodge, that the defect is owing to the absence of the witnesses from the city, and that the testimony will be taken and sent up as soon as these witnesses shall return. We therefore recommend that this case be continued, with the same recommendation as last year.

3d—The appeal of James G. Mangham from the action of Cool Spring Lodge, No. 140.

The record in this case was, by this committee, at the last Annual Grand Communication, found to be informal and defective, and Cool Spring Lodge was ordered to send up a correct and complete transcript of all the proceedings had in the case. Cool Spring Lodge has failed to comply with this order, and there is no excuse among the papers for this neglect.

As the record now stands, we see no good grounds for the action of the Lodge in this case, in suspending the brother; and as the Lodge has failed to furnish this Grand Lodge with evidence to sustain their action, your committee is of opinion that the sentence of Cool Spring Lodge, No. 140, suspending J. G. Mangum for twelve months, should be removed, and that the prosecution against him be discontinued.

All of which is hereby most respectfully submitted.

G. W. MUNDAY,	} Committee.
H. REGENBURG,	
JNO. L. BARRETT,	
HY. R. SWASEY,	
J. C. BATCHELOR,	

Bro. S. O. SCRUGGS asked permission to withdraw the resolution offered by him last evening, in relation to the dues of Phoenix Lodge, No. 38, for the purpose of offering a substitute, which,

On motion of Bro. G. W. CATLETT, was granted.

Bro. S. O. SCRUGGS then moved that Phoenix Lodge, No. 38, be allowed until the next Annual Grand Communication to pay their dues of 1860, which was adopted.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until to-morrow (Wednesday) evening at seven o'clock.

(Signed)

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, Grand Master.

JOHN C. GORDY, Senior Grand Warden.

HY. REGENBURG, Junior Grand Warden.

GRAND LODGE HALL,  
NEW ORLEANS, WEDNESDAY, Feb. 13th, 1861.

The M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana was called to labor this evening in the Third Degree, at seven o'clock, the following

**OFFICERS PRESENT.**

J. Q. A. FELLOWS.....	M. W. Grand Master.
A. G. CARTER.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
JOHN C. GORDY.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
HY. REGENBURG.....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
SAML M. TODD.....	W. Grand Treasurer.
SAML G. RISK.....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES, D. D.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
G. W. MUNDAY.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
WM. C. DRIVER.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
J. D. CATLIN.....	W. Grand Marshal.
G. B. BURR.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
H. M. CRENSHAW.....	W. Grand Pursuivant.
BRUNO DE LUCAS.....	} W. Grand Stewards.
B. DA SILVA.....	
GUSTAVUS SONTAG.....	
A. E. DICK..... <i>as</i>	
JAMES B. SCOT.....	W. Grand Tyler.

The roll of Lodges was then called, and the following were found to be represented :

Nos. P. U. 1, 3, 28, 31, 46, 50, 51, 52, 53, 56, 59, 63, 65, 66, 68, 70, 72, 75, 76, 87, 88, 89, 90, 92, 96, 98, 101, 102, 103, 105, 109, 110, 111, 112, 120, 124, 127, 130, 135, 140, 141, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 151, 158, 159, 160, 162, 163. Total—53 Chartered Lodges.

The minutes of the session of February 12th were then read and approved.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced that there were in waiting many duly accredited Representatives from various Grand Bodies, whose credentials had been received and acknowledged at the Grand Secretary's office, and requested Past Grand Master Sam'l M. Todd to introduce those R. W. Grand Representatives to the M. W. Grand Lodge.

Past Grand Master Todd then introduced to the M. W. Grand Lodge the following brethren, as R. W. Grand Representatives :

C. M. EMERSON,	for the	Grand Lodge of	Connecticut.
A. G. CARTER,	"	"	" Kansas.
HENRY BIER,	"	"	" Maryland.
RICH'D B. LAWRENCE,	"	"	" Ireland.
JOSHUA JACKSON,	"	"	" Illinois.
L. E. REYNOLDS,	"	"	" Iowa.

R. W. Bro. C. M. EMERSON, on behalf of the Grand Representatives just received, then addressed the Grand Lodge as follows :

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER—As the accredited agent of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Connecticut, and in behalf of these, my brethren, accredited to you from similar authorities, I present you my thanks and theirs for the very cordial reception accorded to us. We assure you, that we shall exert our utmost to maintain the fraternal relations and intercourse which always have existed between Masonic communities ; and that whatever duties may devolve upon us under our credentials, shall be fulfilled with diligence and fidelity to our respective constituents, and with brotherly regard towards yourself, and the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, over which you preside.

Unlike the plenipotentiaries of national powers, sent by one to protect its own interests and watch the doings and movements of

another, we come to this presence as mere harbingers of good will and mutual esteem ; coadjutors in the great work in which we are equally engaged. Although each Grand Body is Supreme within its own jurisdiction, it is gratifying to know, that all are animated by the same spirit ; are governed by the same general laws and obedient to the same general principles.

Our task, therefore, will be as easy as it must be pleasant and agreeable.

We may be permitted, sir, on this occasion, and at this time to deplore the fact, that political considerations have caused the dismemberment of this once great and prosperous country—but there is left to us, as Masons, this consolation ; that we are still brothers ; that we belong to a confederacy, which never yet has been dissolved, and to a circle, which never yet has been divided into segments.

Amid the changes which society has undergone and is undergoing ; amid the strife and ruin and blood-shed, and misery, which political rancor and lust for power, and vice clothed in the garb of religion, have entailed upon mankind, it is our pride and boast, that our own noble Order stands erect, as it has stood for ages ; unchanged, unchangeable ; uncorrupted, incorruptable ; “ the same yesterday, to-day and forever ; ” regardless of sects and creeds and geographical lines and national distinctions ; deviating neither to the right hand nor to the left, but pursuing the calm and even tenor of its course toward the fulfillment of its high destiny. May it never fall from the glorious sphere within which it has so long revolved.

Permit us now to convey to yourself and this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, renewed assurances of friendship and brotherly love, and the congratulations of those whom we have the honor to represent, and to believe that the existing relations between us all can never be interrupted.

M. W. Grand Master J. Q. A. FELLOWS then addressed the R. W. Grand Representatives as follows :

R. W. BRETHREN—As the Grand Master of all the Lodges of the State of Louisiana, I cordially welcome you, in this Grand Lodge, and greet you with fraternal greetings, and through you the several sister Grand Lodges which you here represent. You hail as Representatives from Grand Lodges scattered all over this continent, and



one of you, from one of the Grand Lodges of Europe. As Masons, we all can meet here together upon the level of that equality which we teach belongs to us all. We meet as brothers of the same household of Free Masonry; of the same Faith, a belief in one true and living God; of the same sentiments in morals, acting upon the Square with all mankind; of the same political creed, that in the people is the source of all power. Hence we meet without distinction of sect or party, for we are all in the sense just named, of the same party, that of the people, as opposed to all oppression, and of the same sect, our teachings being to do unto others as we would be done by.

Whatever may be the fate of nations and empires, of creeds and denominations, Freemasonry will still survive—as its principles are the teachings of everlasting Truth.

Brethren, this occasion is more than usually interesting, as it clearly indicates that whatever difference of opinion or action there may be in the world, there is in our own beloved Order that which binds the heart of brother to brother, and which will stay even the uplifted hand of an enemy in the very hour of victory. The tendency of all our teachings are quiet and harmony, our success and prosperity depends upon peace, while in the language of our ancient Charges, the institution has ever languished in time of war and civil controversies. It is our duty to teach men, by inculcating first principles, their rights and their duty to maintain them, but at the same time to remember that our enemy is yet our brother, whom we are to save, if consistent with our own safety and the safety of those depending upon us for protection.

My brethren, permit me to tender to the Grand Lodges you respectively represent, the assurances of continued fraternal feelings of this Grand Lodge, and of two others which have united upon me as their Representatives here, and to express the hope that this interchange of representation and courtesy will but brighten the chain which unites Masons together, and makes us one universal brotherhood.

Immediately after these remarks, the R. W. Grand Representatives were conducted by Past Grand Master Todd to the East, where they were received with the Grand honors, and duly seated.

BRO. GEO. W. MUNDAY then arose, and in a most feeling manner stated, that in the whole course of his Masonic career he had never witnessed so solemn and impressive a scene—one calculated to make us more dearly cherish those immutable principles of our Institution, which binds us together in the strong bonds of brotherly love and affection ; and concluded by offering the following resolution, which being read, was unanimously adopted :

*Resolved*, That the R. W. Grand Representative, C M. Emerson, be requested to furnish a copy of his remarks to the W. Grand Secretary; and that the M. W. Grand Master, J. Q. A. Fellows, be also requested to do the same, and that they be spread upon the Minutes of this Grand Lodge.

The W. Grand Secretary then submitted the following report :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

BRETHREN—I have to report to you that since your last session, Providence Lodge, No. 50, and Fillmore Lodge, No. 154, have made their returns and paid their dues.

By a communication received to-day from the J. W. of the Grosse Tête Lodge, No. 157, I am satisfied their returns have been forwarded and probably lost in the mail. Their dues is fully satisfactory to me, and I would respectfully recommend that the Lodge be allowed a Representative in the Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted.

SAML G. RISK, Grand Secretary.

On motion, the above report was received, and that portion relating to Grosse Tête Lodge, No. 157, referred the Committee on Credentials.

The Committee on Credentials then submitted the following report, which was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge, viz:

PROVIDENCE.....No. 50.—R. N. Campbell, W. M. (C. M. Pilcher, proxy.)  
W. F. Pennington, S. W. (S. F. Pennington, “ )  
J. S. Ingram, J. W.

OLIVER .....No. 84.—N. H. Smith, proxy for W. M.

CLOUTIERVILLE .....No. 103.—J. G. Mackey, proxy for S. W.  
L. T. Jennings, proxy for J. W.

HARRISONBURG.....No. 110.—Geo. H. Wells, W. M. } John McLaughlin,  
S. C. Cuny, S. W. } proxy for all.  
A. Levystein, J. W. }

PLAINS .....No. 135.—Seth R. Field, proxy for S. W.

FILLMORE .....No. 154,—T. W. Bledsoe, W. M.  
H. Barnacastle, S. W.  
Godfrey Martin, J. W.

KISSATCHIE .....No. 156.—L. W. Dodge, proxy for J. W.

Fraternally submitted,

J. D. CATLIN,  
WALTER T. COYLE,  
RICHARD B. LAWRENCE, } Committee.

The Committee on Work and Returns of Lodges Under Dispensation submitted the following report and resolutions, which were read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Work and Returns of Lodges U. D., have examined the Work and Returns of the following Lodges, and respectfully beg to offer the following report, and resolutions appended, for the action of this Grand Lodge:

LINN WOOD LODGE, U. D.—This Lodge has sent up its Dispensation, minutes and returns. The by-laws by which the Work was done are those recommended for the use of Subordinate Lodges. (See Proceedings of 1860, p. 254). The returns, which are correct,

show that this Lodge has conferred forty-one degrees during the year. The minutes are properly kept; and we would recommend that a Charter be granted to this Lodge.

HAYNESVILLE LODGE, U. D., also sent up her minutes, returns and by-laws. The by-laws are correct. No Dispensation is before us. The minutes are irregular in some respects, but correct in the main. Ten degrees were conferred during the year. The returns are correct. No petition for a Charter was sent up, which is likely an oversight, and we offer a resolution to enable the Lodge to correct the defect.

MONTGOMERY LODGE, U. D., also sent up her Dispensation, returns, minutes, and by-laws. The by-laws are correct, and the minutes very well kept. No petition, however, for a Charter, is before us; but we have provided for that, as in case of Haynesville Lodge.

Faternally submitted.

JOHN C. GORDY,	}	Committee.
WM. H. STEWART,		
CH. LAFFON,		

*Resolved*, That a Charter be granted to Linn Wood Lodge.

*Resolved*, That Charters be granted to Montgomery and Haynesville Lodges, on presenting to the Grand Secretary the necessary petition, and otherwise complying with the Grand Lodge Regulations.

Past Grand Master J. H. HOLLAND reported that he had, as the Deputy of the M. W. Grand Master, duly consecrated and constituted SILENCIO LODGE, No. 9, and installed her officers in ample form; and asked that they be admitted to seats in the Grand Lodge, which was, on motion, adopted.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced that this evening had been specially set apart, by resolution adopted at the last Annual Grand Communication, for the exemplification of the Work, and called upon the Standing Committee to perform that duty.

Bro. A. S. WASHBURN then exemplified the First Degree;

Bro. H. R. SWASEY exemplified the Second Degree;

Past Grand Master SAM'L M. TODD exemplified the Third Degree.

On motion, all comment or discussion on the Work, as exemplified, be postponed until to-morrow evening.

On motion, the election of officers was fixed to take place to-morrow evening, immediately after the reading of the minutes and report of the Committee on Credentials.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until to-morrow (Thursday) evening, at half-past 6 o'clock.

[Signed]

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, Grand Master.

JOHN C. GORDY, Senior Grand Warden.

HY. REGENBURG, Junior Grand Warden.

GRAND LODGE HALL,  
NEW ORLEANS, THURSDAY, Feb. 14th, 1861. }

The M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana was called to labor this evening in the Third Degree, at half-past six o'clock, the following

**OFFICERS PRESENT.**

J. Q. A. FELLOWS.....	M. W. Grand Master.
A. G. CARTER .....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
JOHN C. GORDY.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
HY. REGENBURG.....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
SAM'L M. TODD.....	W. Grand Treasurer.
SAM'L G. RISK.....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES, D. D. ....	W. Grand Chaplain.
G. W. MUNDAY.....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
WM. C. DRIVER.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
J. D. CATLIN.....	W. Grand Marshal.
G. B. BURR.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
H. M. CRENSHAW.....	W. Grand Pursuivant.
BRUNO DE LUCAS.....	} W. Grand Stewards.
B. DA SILVA .....	
GUSTAVUS SONTAG .....	
JAMES B. SCOT .....	W. Grand Tyler.

The following Grand Representatives being present, were seated in the East :

J. Q. A. FELLOWS.....	for Vermont and Florida.
SAM'L M. TODD.....	" Alabama.
SAM'L G. RISK .....	" Minnesota.
HENRY BIER.....	" Maryland.
A. G. CARTER.....	" Kansas.
R. B. LAWRENCE.....	" Ireland.
WM. M. PERKINS.....	" Tennessee and Virginia.
W. P. COLEMAN.....	" Ohio.
JOSHUA JACKSON.....	" Illinois.

A roll of Lodges was then called, when the following were represented :

Nos. P. U. 1, P. S. 1, 3, 4, L. O. 5, 9, 19, 28, 31, 38, 46, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 56, 57, 58, 59, 63, 65, 66, 68, 70, 72, 75, 76, 77, 78, 84, 87, 88, 89, 90, 92, 96, 98, 99, 102, 103, 105, 109, 110, 111, 112, 120, 124, 130, 135, 139, 141, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 150, 153, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161. Total—65 Chartered Lodges.

Past Grand Masters WM. M. PERKINS and SAM'L M. TODD then entered, and were received with appropriate honors.

The minutes of the session of February 13th were then read and approved.

Bro. J. C. BATCHELOR then reported that, acting as the Deputy of the M. W. Grand Master, he had duly consecrated and constituted EXCELSIOR LODGE, No. 166, and regularly installed her officers, a list of which he had furnished the W. Grand Secretary ; and moved that their credentials be referred to the Committee on Credentials.

The Committee on Credentials then submitted the following report, which was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge, viz :

PHOENIX.....No. 33.—F. E. Hoyt, proxy for S. W.  
A. C. Wilbur, proxy for J. W.  
FRANKLIN .....No. 57.—F. A. Dentzel, proxy for W. M.  
MT. MORIAH .....No. 77.—W. S. Mitchell, proxy for W. M.  
HENDERSON.....No. 99.—Wm. M. Perkins, proxy for W. M.  
CASTOR.....No. 109.—T. F. Hedges, proxy for W. M.  
DEERFIELD.....No. 120.—N. S. Balf, proxy for W. M.  
HUNTINGTON.....No. 141.—W. A. Wilson, proxy for W. M.

HOPE .....No. 145.—Artemon Hill, proxy for W. M.  
 SILENT BROTHERHOOD, No. 146.—Henderson McFarland, proxy for S. W.  
 PERKINS .....No. 150.—Henry Bier, proxy for W. M.  
 GROSSE TETE.....No. 157.—A. DeSola, proxy for J. W.  
 EXCELSIOR .....No. 166.—V. Hebert, W. M.  
                                   S. L. Butler, S. W.  
                                   E. C. Hancock, J. W.

Fraternally submitted,

J. D. CATLIN,  
 WALTER T. COYLE,  
 RICHARD B. LAWRENCE, } Committee.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced that the time fixed for the election of officers had arrived ; when

Bro. D. E. SCRUGGS moved that none be permitted to be present during the election of officers, except the members and representatives who are entitled to seats, which was adopted.

The M. W. Grand Master then appointed Bros. G. W. Munday and John Anderson, Tellers ; when the M. W. Grand Lodge proceeded to the election of Grand Officers for the ensuing Masonic year, which resulted in the selection of the following brethren :

J. Q. A. FELLOWS.....Grand Master,  
 who, immediately after accepting the same, reäppointed  
 Bro. A. G. CARTER.....Deputy Grand Master.

The following brethren were then duly elected :

JOHN C. GORDY.....Senior Grand Warden.  
 HENRY REGENBURG.....Junior Grand Warden.  
 SAM'L M. TODD.....Grand Treasurer.  
 SAM'L G. RISK.....Grand Secretary.

Bro. A. E. DICK then moved that the REV. C. S. HEDGES



be reëlected Grand Chaplain by acclamation, and that the M. W. Grand Master elect be requested to appoint the balance of the officers, and six brethren to serve as Directors of the Grand Lodge Hall, which motion was adopted.

Bro. J. Q. A. FELLOWS, M. W. Grand Master elect, then announced the following appointments :

G. W. MUNDAY.....	Senior Grand Deacon.
NELSON KEYES.....	Junior Grand Deacon.
HARMON DOANE.....	Grand Marshal.
JOHN D. CATLIN.....	Grand Sword Bearer.
G. B. BURR.....	Grand Pursuivant.
WM. H. STEWART.....	} Grand Stewards.
WM. H. SEAMAN.....	
WM. AKERS.....	
JOHN O'HARA.....	
JAMES B. SCOT.....	Grand Tyler.

#### Board of Directors of Grand Lodge Hall.

WM. M. PERKINS.....	of Marion Lodge	No. 68.
SAMUEL HARRY.....	" Friends of Harmony Lodge..	" 58.
H. R. SWASEY .....	" George Washington Lodge..	" 65.
A. B. SEGER.....	" Saints John Lodge .....	" 153.
EDWARD BARNETT .....	" Ocean Lodge.....	" 144.
D. E. SCRUGGS .....	" Marion Lodge .....	" 68.

On motion of Bro. J. C. BATCHELOR, the hour of half-past eight o'clock to-morrow evening was fixed for the installation of Officers.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until to-morrow (Friday) evening, at half-past six o'clock.

[Signed]

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, Grand Master.

JOHN C. GORDY, Senior Grand Warden.

HY. REGENBURG, Junior Grand Warden.

GRAND LODGE HALL,  
NEW ORLEANS, FRIDAY, Feb. 15th, 1861. }

The M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, was called to labor in the Third Degree, at half-past six o'clock, p. m., the following

OFFICERS PRESENT:

J. Q. A. FELLOWS .....	M. W. Grand Master.
A. G. CARTER.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
JOHN C. GORDY.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
HY. REGENBURG .....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
SAMUEL M. TODD.....	W. Grand Treasurer.
SAMUEL G. RISK .....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES, D. D.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
G. W. MUNDAY .....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
W. C. DRIVER.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
J. D. CATLIN .....	W. Grand Marshal.
G. B. BURR .....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
JNO. ANDERSON.....	W. Grand Pursuivant.
F. A. DENTZEL.....	} W. Grand Stewards.
A. E. DICK .....	
M. A. CALONGNE.....	
G. SONTAG.....	
JAS. B. SCOT .....	W. Grand Tyler.

A roll of Lodges was then called, and the following were found to be represented :

Nos. P. U. 1, 3, st. A. 5, 9, 19, 38, 52, 53, 56, 57, 59, 63, 65, 68, 70, 72, 75, 77, 87, 88, 90, 102, 103, 109, 111, 124, 130, 144, 145, 147, 150, 153, 156, 158, 160, 161, 163. Total—37 Chartered Lodges.

The minutes of the session of the 14th February, 1861, were then read and approved.

The Committee on Credentials then submitted the following report, which was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge :

TUNICA.....No. 63—D. M. Hildreth, proxy for S. W.  
HIRAM.....No. 70—E. Wells, proxy for W. M.  
HERMITAGE.....No. 98—T. W. Peyton, proxy for J. W.

Fraternally submitted,

J. D. CATLIN,  
W. T. COYLE,  
R. B. LAWRENCE, } Committee.

The Committee on Chartered Lodges then submitted the following reports, which were separately read and adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Chartered Lodges have examined the returns laid before them by your Grand Secretary, and make the following report :

The following Lodges have made their returns correctly, and paid their dues in full, viz: Perfect Union, No. 1; Polar Star, No. 1; Nos. 3, 4; St. Andrew, 5; Los Am. del Orden, 5; 19, 28, 31, 38, 44, 46, 47, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 56, 57, 58, 59, 61, 63, 65, 66, 68, 70, 72, 75, 76, 77, 78, 83, 84, 87, 88, 89, 90, 92, 94, 96, 98, 99, 101, 102, 103, 105, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 115, 116, 117, 119, 120, 124, 127, 130, 133, 134, 136, 139, 141, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 153, 154, 156, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164.

The accomplished Secretary of St. James Lodge, No. 47, deserves to be complimented on the very neat and artistic manner in which he has made out the returns of that Lodge.

The Secretary of Cool Spring Lodge, No. 140, in his returns, has omitted to give the *dates* of conferring degrees, of demissions, deaths,

etc. The same omission was noted in the returns of this Lodge last year. They seem not to think it necessary to give the date of their acts. We recommend the Master and Secretary to read attentively Sec. 10, Art. 1 of Chap. 2 of the By-Laws and Regulations of the Grand Lodge.

The following Lodges have made their returns, but paid no dues: DeSoto, No. 55; Vienna, No. 106; Lisbon, No. 121; Pearl River, No. 125; Arcadia, No. 126.

Terryville Lodge, No. 118, made no returns and paid no dues either last year or the present. By virtue of Sec. 7 of Art. 7 of the Grand Lodge Constitution, her charter is forfeited. We therefore recommend that the Grand Secretary be hereby empowered to take the proper steps to obtain the charter, jewels, books, and other effects of said Lodge, as soon as possible.

The following Lodges have made no returns and paid no dues up to this time, viz:

Jackson.....	No. 45	Liberty.....	No. 123
St. Joseph.....	" 79	Dawson.....	" 129
De Witt Clinton.....	" 80	Shiloh.....	" 131
Mt. Lebanon.....	" 104	Warren.....	" 132
Sparta.....	" 108	Homer.....	" 152
Friendship.....	" 114	Cherry Ridge.....	" 155
Terryville.....	" 118	Lake Charles.....	" 165
Mackey.....	" 122		

All which is respectfully submitted,

A. S. WASHBURN, }  
N. H. BRAY, } Committee.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Chartered Lodges, to whom was referred the copy of the By-Laws adopted by Livingston Lodge, No. 160, have examined said By-Laws and corrected such errors as they observed therein, and stricken out such portions as they deemed unmasonic.

Sec. 3 of Art. 4, which provided for the "virtual" suspension of members for non-payment of dues, we have so altered as to make it conform to Sec. 2, Art. 3 of Chap. 3 of the By-Laws of this Grand Lodge.

Sec. 4 of same Article, we have stricken out, as altogether superfluous.

The whole of Art. 9, which provides for the punishment of members for absence from stated meetings by fine or otherwise, we have stricken out, as unmasonic.

Corrected as above, we recommend the approval of said By-Laws by this Grand Body.

Respectfully submitted,

A. S. WASHBURN,	} Committee.
N. H. BRAY,	

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances submitted the following report and resolution, which were read and unanimously adopted :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances, would respectfully report the following resolution for reädoption, in order that the same may again appear upon the minutes; believing, as they do, that it expresses the views of the Grand Lodge upon this subject, as it did in 1851, when it was passed, and because there are but few of the large number of Masons admitted into the fraternity since then (ten years), that have the opportunity of reading the printed proceedings of that date.

*Resolved,* That electioneering for Masonic offices is unmasonic, and is reprobated by this Grand Lodge.

G. W. MUNDAY,	} Committee.
W. H. SEAMAN,	
J. C. BATCHELOR,	
H. REGENBURG,	
HY. R. SWASEY,	
JNO. L. BARRETT,	
A. R. MOREL,	

The Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence submitted a report on the various subjects referred to

them, which was read, and, on a motion to adopt, elicited much discussion, when finally, on motion, it was recommended to the committee for further consideration.

The hour set apart for the installation of the Grand officers having been announced,

Past Senior Grand Warden, ABEL J. NORWOOD, moved that the newly elected officers for the ensuing Masonic year, only be installed; which motion being adopted,

M. W. Grand Master, J. Q. A. FELLOWS, then appointed Bro. G. W. MUNDAY to act as Grand Marshal, who presented the following newly elected officers in regular order, when they were installed in AMPLE FORM, into the respective offices for which they had been chosen :

SAMUEL M. TODD.....	Grand Treasurer.
NELSON KEYES, (C. A. deFrance, proxy)...	Junior Grand Deacon.
HARMON DOANE, (J. G. Dunlap, proxy)....	Grand Marshal.
J. D. CATLIN.....	Grand Sword Bearer.
G. B. BURR .....	Grand Pursuivant.
WM. AKERS .....	} Grand Stewards.
JOHN O'HARA .....	

Past Grand Master, SAMUEL M. TODD, then presented to the Grand Lodge a lengthy report from the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, when

Bro. H. R. SWASEY, moved that the reading of the report be dispensed with, except that portion relating to MEXICO, which motion being adopted and that portion of the report read, it was then, on motion, ordered that the whole report be received and published with the proceedings of the Grand Lodge. (See Appendix for report.)

Past Grand Master, SAMUEL M. TODD, then moved that this Grand Lodge receive the Grand Representative from the Supreme Council of Mexico, and that the M. W.

Grand Master be requested to appoint a Grand Representative from us near it; which motion was adopted.

R. W. Bro. J. C. BACHELOR then presented his duly authenticated credentials as the Grand Representative of the Supreme Council of Mexico, and being received as such by the M. W. Grand Master, was conducted to the East, properly introduced to the Grand Lodge, and seated with appropriate honors.

Bro. W. C. DRIVER, from the Special Committee to whom was referred the subject of a "NORTH AMERICAN MASONIC CONGRESS," then read the following report:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

BRETHREN—Your committee, to whom was referred the subject of the proposed "*North American Masonic Congress*," beg leave to state, that they have had the same under careful advisement, and would offer the following as their report:

They find on searching the Records, that this is the fifteenth time since the year A. L. 5780, (A. D. 1780), that this subject has, in some form or other been brought before the Grand Lodges of North America, resulting each time in a most positive failure; and after so many futile efforts, they think it is time that the matter should, by direct action, be forever set at rest; the various opinions expressed by members of the various Grand Lodges, being so positive as to leave no doubt on the minds of your committee of not only the hopelessness of the undertaking, but also that it is foreign to the true principles of Masonry, as taught by our Ancient Landmarks.

They have examined the proceedings of eighteen sister Grand Lodges, all that could be procured by them, and find the following to be the vote and opinion expressed by them:

Of the eighteen, fifteen declined taking any part in such formation, viz: Michigan, New York, Texas, North Carolina, Ohio, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Illinois, Iowa, Virginia, California, Mississippi, Massachusetts, Vermont, and Minnesota. Two postponed action till their next Annual Communication, viz: South Carolina and Maine. And one, Tennessee, referred the subject to her Subordinate Lodges for their action.

The action of these Grand Lodges alone, perhaps would settle the matter as far as its practicability is concerned; but that no doubt may rest upon the minds of the members of this jurisdiction as to the propriety of such action, your committee, not attempting to argue the matter themselves, would lay before you the following extracts from addresses of various distinguished members of our Order, and reports of committees on the subject, as such as they would themselves offer, and in support of the resolution appended to this report:

G. M. JORDAN, Grand Master of Masons in Michigan, says:

"To be efficient, the North American Masonic Congress must have power; if power be vested in it, it will speedily become dangerous; if it claims to act as a *Masonic power* it is an innovation; if it is content with lesser prerogatives, it is an incumbrance."

JOHN L. LEWIS, Grand Master of Masons for the State of New York, says:

"If it shall destroy sentiments of narrow provincialism; if it shall teach higher views of the universality of Masonry; and if it shall excite emulation and 'provoke to good works' the fraternity in the several jurisdictions, a great end will be accomplished."

Closing his remarks, however, by alluding to the two standard objections: Excess of power and want of power.

ALFRED MARTIN, Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina, says:

"After having devoted much time and study to the subject, it has led him to the conclusion that no benefit can possibly accrue to State Grand Lodges that will compensate them for the time, labor, and expense necessary to establish and maintain such an organization; the only good that can possibly result from the establishment of a supreme head, can be obtained without it. There has rarely occurred any misunderstanding, or conflict of jurisdiction between State Grand Lodges, requiring the interposition of Supreme Authority; and none that has not been as speedily, and perhaps more satisfactorily adjusted, by the mere force of opinion, and the influence of the principles of justice and right, than it could have been by such authority. Without perfect unanimity, and the zealous coöperation of ALL the Grand bodies, the authority of such a head would be inefficient for any practical utility. Its arbitraments could not be enforced, and while its adherents might yield a reluctant obedience to its mandates, a spirit of jealousy, distrust, and dissatisfaction would be engendered between them and the non-affiliated Grand Lodges, more precarious in its effects, than anything that has ever resulted from the present system. The very first step in their plan, is the creation of a faction, by organizing what *they intend* as a supreme head, with but five adherents. Another of the proposed objects is the settlement equitably and permanently, all questions of law and jurisdiction. Yet any Grand Lodge



that may be dissatisfied with its decisions may withdraw, by simply passing a resolution to that effect; or, if they do not mutually agree to submit their differences and disputes to the arbitrations of this body, they may fight it out, it claims *no right* to interfere."

The committee of the Grand Lodge of Illinois report the following objections:

- "1. It will produce confusion in the Craft.
2. The system is unequal.
3. The present system is as equal as it can be.
4. The plan is an indirect blow against the independence of the Grand Lodge. It will take but a short time to cumulate powers.
5. It will be valueless, because not general; the Grand Lodges in the West, with perhaps two or three exceptions, will never enter into such a confederacy; they understand each other, and are content to let well enough alone.
6. It is an innovation. Grand Lodges are the highest authority known in Masonry; they are sovereign, and should never cede away any of their sovereignty."

M. W. Past Grand Master B. B. FRENCH, in a late address, on an occasion similar to the one we all had the pleasure to participate in on last evening, says:

"It is now a well established fact, that the Grand Lodges of the United States have no sympathy whatever in the formation of a General Grand Lodge, or any governing head of Craft Masonry; and, although I was once among those most ardent for such a governing, or at least appellative body, upon full reflection I have changed my views, and am now in favor of the sovereignty of every Grand Lodge in its own jurisdiction; but still, always ready to consult with its sister Grand Lodges as to the general good of our ancient and sublime institution. To make such consultation easy and prompt among Grand Lodges so widely separated, some system of ready communication becomes necessary, and none better could be possibly devised than this of mutual representation. In this way an amicable and brotherly intercourse will be maintained throughout the Craft jurisdiction of North America, and perhaps I might say, of the world; and the result must be a closer binding of the strong cords of Masonic and brotherly affection around the hearts of all."

Who among us that witnessed the reception and listened to the address of last evening, can doubt the truth of Bro. French's remarks.

In conclusion, your committee, offering only as an excuse the importance of the subject to justify them in their lengthy report, submit the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge decline taking any part in said Masonic Congress.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

W. C. DRIVER, }  
G. W. CATLETT, } Committee.  
G. W. MUNDAY, }

BRO. J. C. BATCHELOR then moved that the report and resolution just read be adopted, which motion was carried.

BRO. AARON HARRIS offered the following resolution, which, being duly seconded by Bro. A. S. WASHBURN, was read and unanimously adopted :

*Resolved*, That the sum of five hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated to the Assistant Grand Secretary, for extra work performed and to be performed by him during and subsequent to this Grand Communication.

BRO. A. S. WASHBURN submitted the following resolutions, which being duly seconded, were read and adopted :

*Resolved*, that the Committee on Audit and Accounts be hereafter required, in their annual report to this Grand Lodge, to specify the items for which the warrants of the Grand Treasurer are drawn.

*Resolved*, That the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary of this Grand Lodge shall each execute a bond, satisfactory to the Grand Master, in the full sum of five thousand dollars, to this Grand Lodge, within ten days after their election and installation, for the faithful performance of their duty.

BRO. J. C. BATCHELOR then gave notice that he submitted the second resolution above just adopted, as an amendment to the By-Laws, which lies over until next Annual Grand Communication.

BRO. CHARLES LAFFON submitted the following resolution, which being duly seconded, was read and adopted :

*Resolved*, That the Grand Secretary be authorized to insert in the printed proceedings published yearly, the names and numbers of the Lodges which no longer appear on the roll of this Grand Lodge; giving the place where said Lodges met, the authority and date of their creations; also the date and cause of their disappearance; and if any old number has been revived, to state the same.

BRO. B. DA SILVA offered the following resolution, which being duly seconded, was read :

*Resolved*, That a committee of four, in conjunction with the M. W. Grand Master, be appointed, for the purpose of obtaining and purchasing a spot of ground to be used as a Masonic Rest, with power to act.

BRO. J. G. DUNLAP moved to strike out of the above resolution the words, "*with power to act*," which was carried.

Past Grand Master SAMUEL M. TODD then moved that the resolution, as amended, be adopted, which was carried.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced the following committee under the above resolution : Bros. B. da Silva, J. G. Dunlap, J. C. Batchelor, and Henry Bier.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced for the ensuing Masonic year, the following standing

#### Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

SAMUEL M. TODD.....of Marion Lodge.....No. 68.  
A. S. WASHBURN.....of Bartholomew Lodge..... " 112.  
J. C. BATCHELOR.....of Alpha Home Lodge..... " 72.

Bro. G. W. MUNDAY then offered the following resolution, which being duly seconded, was read and adopted :

*Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed by the M. W. Grand Master to procure a set of suitable collars for the use of this Grand Lodge.

The M. W. Grand Master immediately announced as the committee under the above resolution, the Standing Committee on Accounts, composed of Bros. D. E. Scruggs, John Anderson, and Aaron Harris.

No further business appearing, the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana was closed in AMPLE FORM, until its next Annual Grand Communication, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10th, 1862.

[Signed] J. Q. A. FELLOWS, Grand Master.

GRAND SECRETARY'S OFFICE,  
Of the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana. }

Grand Lodge Hall, corner of St. Charles and Perdido streets.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that the foregoing pages from No. 3 to 74, contain a true transcript of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, at its last Annual Grand Communication, held at the City of New Orleans, from the eleventh to the fifteenth of February 1861, inclusive.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed the Seal of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, together with my Official Signature, this fifteenth day of February, A. D. 1861, A. L. 5861.

ATTEST:

*Samuel G. Risk*  
Grand Secy.

N. B.—All communications addressed to SAMUEL G. RISK, Grand Secretary, Box 3109, Post Office, New Orleans, Louisiana, will reach me in safety.

SAM'L G. RISK, *Grand Secretary, in Account Current with the*

M. W. GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

1860.			DR.
February 7—	To Cash received from Atchafalaya, U. D., in full .....		\$ 43 00
	Do do St. James, No. 47, in full .....		30 00
9—	Do do Houma, No. 139, in full .....		35 72
	Do do Henderson, No. 99, in full .....		30 00
	Do do Anacoco, No. 147, in full .....		43 86
	Do do Jackson, No. 45, in full .....		58 00
	Do do Grosse Tête, No. 157, in full .....		26 00
	Do do Feliciana, No. 31, on account .....		39 00
	Do do Liberty, No. 123, in full .....		59 00
	Do do Tunica, No. 63, in full .....		45 00
10—	Do do Franklin, No. 57, on account .....		61 00
	Do do Silent Brotherhood, No. 146, in full .....		24 00
	Do do Deerfield, No. 120, in full .....		27 00
11—	Do do St. Andrew, No. 5, on account .....		66 00
	Do do Minden, No. 51, in full .....		80 00
	Do do Jurns ville, U. D., in full .....		70 86
	Do do Concorde, No. 3, on account .....		48 00
	Do do Solomon, No. 130, in full .....		40 54
	Do do Providence, No. 50, in full .....		67 00
	Do do Homer, No. 152, in full .....		57 00
	Do do Polar Star, No. 1, in full .....		20 00
	Do do Many, No. 88, on account .....		23 00
	Do do Mackey, No. 122, in full .....		32 00
12—	Do do Milford, No. 117, on account .....		175 00
13—	Do do Perfect Union, No. 1, in full .....		36 00
	Do do Perseverance, No. 4, in full .....		39 00
	Do do DeSoto, No. 55, on account .....		104 00
	Do do Lafayette, No. 56, in full .....		71 60
	Do do Mt. Moriah, No. 77, in full .....		39 00
	Do do Cloutierville, No. 103, in full .....		21 00
	Do do Castor, No. 109, in full .....		35 00
	Do do Pearl River, No. 125, in full .....		55 00
	Do do Springhill, No. 127, in full .....		58 00
	Do do Dawson, No. 129, in full .....		38 72
	Do do Cool Spring, No. 140, on account .....		65 00
	Do do Downs ville, No. 143, in full .....		23 10
	Do do Hope, No. 145, in full .....		28 00
	Do do Cherry Ridge, No. 155, in full .....		41 00
	Do do Rapides, No. 158, in full .....		50 00
	Do do Brookville, U. D., in full .....		22 00
	Do do Lake Charles, U. D., in full .....		38 00
15—	Do do Darlington, No. 149, in full .....		42 86
16—	Do do Feliciana, No. 31, balance in full .....		7 72
	Do do St. Joseph, No. 79, on account .....		50 00
	Do do Gordy, No. 133, on account .....		37 00
17—	Do do Fillmore, No. 154, in full .....		107 00
	Do do Friends of Harmony, No. 58, for rent for Jan. and Feb..		25 00
18—	Do do Harry Hill, No. 134, in full .....		53 00
	Do do St. Helena, No. 96, balance in full .....		1 00

February 18—To cash received from Huntington, No. 141, in full.....			\$ 34 00	
	Do	do	Trinity, No. 105, on account.....	48 00
	20—Do	do	Ljun Wood, U. D., for Dispensation.....	50 00
	22—Do	do	Silencio, U. D., for Dispensation.....	50 00
	23—Do	do	Vienna, No. 106, in full.....	75 00
	28—Do	do	Athens, No. 136, on account.....	90 00
March.....	3—Do	do	St. Albans, No. 28, balance in full.....	1 00
	Do	do	H. McCloskey, rent for March.....	125 00
	4—Do	do	W. P. Coleman, rent for March.....	75 00
	Do	do	McCerran & Landry, rent for March.....	166 65
	8—Do	do	Thos. Jefferson, No. 113, on account.....	100 00
	12—Do	do	Friends of Harmony, No. 58, in full.....	132 00
April ....	3—Do	do	H. McCloskey, rent for April.....	125 00
	4—Do	do	W. P. Coleman, rent for April.....	75 00
	Do	do	McCerran & Landry, rent for April.....	166 65
May.....	3—Do	do	H. McCloskey, rent for May.....	125 00
	4—Do	do	W. P. Coleman, rent for May.....	75 00
	Do	do	McCerran & Landry, rent for May.....	166 65
	9—Do	do	Arcadia, No. 126, on account.....	83 50
June ....	3—Do	do	H. McCloskey, rent for June.....	125 00
	4—Do	do	W. P. Coleman, rent for June.....	75 00
	Do	do	McCerran & Landry, rent for June.....	166 65
	7—Do	do	Friends of Harmony, No. 58, rent for March, April, etc....	30 00
	23—Do	do	Orleans, No. 78, rent to July 1st.....	75 00
	Do	do	Insurance Companies, on account of damage by fire.....	1000 00
July.....	3—Do	do	H. McCloskey, rent for July.....	125 00
	4—Do	do	W. P. Coleman, rent for July.....	75 00
	Do	do	McCerran & Landry, rent for July.....	166 65
	9—Do	do	Orleans Chapter, No. 1, rent to December 31st.....	152 00
	Do	do	Terryville, No. 118, on account.....	16 62
August ..	1—Do	do	Louisiana, No. 102, rent to July 1st.....	80 00
	Do	do	Alpha Home, No. 72, rent to July 1st.....	75 00
	2—Do	do	H. McCloskey, rent for August.....	125 00
	Do	do	Patmos, No. 97, on account.....	42 00
	Do	do	Excelsior, U. D., for Dispensation.....	50 00
	3—Do	do	W. P. Coleman, rent for August.....	75 00
	Do	do	McCerran & Landry, rent for August.....	166 65
	6—Do	do	Quitman, No. 76, rent to July 31st.....	59 00
September 3—Do	do	do	H. McCloskey, rent for September.....	125 00
	Do	do	W. P. Coleman, rent for September.....	75 00
	Do	do	McCerran & Landry, rent for September.....	166 65
	5—Do	do	George Washington, No. 65, rent to July 1st.....	75 00
	Do	do	Mt. Vernon, No. 83, per J. W. Martin.....	1 00
	15—Do	do	Foyer Maçonnique Council of K. H., 1 yr's rent in advance	100 00
	Do	do	Orleans Chapter, No. 1, two years' rent in advance.....	400 00
	17—Do	do	Sun Mutual Ins. Co., for interest on scrip of 1856-7-8, etc..	48 40
	18—Do	do	Haynesville, U. D., for Dispensation.....	50 00
	21—Do	do	Delta Chapter, No. 15, one and a half year's rent in advance	300 00
	Do	do	Merchants' Ins. Co., interest on scrip of 1857 and 1858, etc.	101 30
	29—Do	do	Alpha Home, No. 72, rent to October 1st.....	39 50
	Do	do	Quitman, No. 76, rent to October 1st.....	39 50
October	3—Do	do	George Washington, No. 65, for rent to October 1st.....	42 50
	4—Do	do	H. McCloskey, rent for October.....	125 00
	Do	do	W. P. Coleman, rent for October.....	75 00

October	4—	To cash received from McCerren & Landry, rent for October.....	\$ 166 65
	9—	Do do Friends of Harmony, No. 58, rent for three months.....	37 50
	19—	Do do Orleans, No. 78, rent to October 1st.....	37 50
November	2—	Do do P. Clissey, rent of room for November.....	30 00
	Do	do H. McCloskey, rent for November.....	125 00
	3—	Do do McCerren & Landry, rent for November.....	166 65
	Do	do Louisiana, No. 102, rent to October 1st.....	37 50
	Do	do Dudley, No. 66, rent to December 31st.....	165 00
	8—	Do do German Turners' Society, for Ball Room.....	125 00
December	3—	Do do McCerren & Landry, rent for December.....	166 65
	4—	Do do Friends of Harmony, No. 58, rent, etc., to December 1st.....	47 50
	Do	do Hiram, No. 70, rent from Nov. 1, 1859, to Dec. 31, 1860.....	183 00
	8—	Do do H. McCloskey, rent for December.....	125 00
	12—	Do do Solomon, No. 130, in full.....	41 00
	15—	Do do Sabine, No. 75, on account.....	60 00
	22—	Do do Louisiana, No. 102, in full.....	100 00
	Do	do Lausanne Benevolent Society, for Ball Room.....	125 00
	26—	Do do Marion, No. 68, rent to December 31st.....	75 00
	27—	Do do Patmos, No. 97, balance in full.....	8 60
	28—	Do do George Washington, No. 65, rent to December 31st.....	38 00
	Do	do Friends of Harmony, No. 58, rent to December 31st.....	15 50
	29—	Do do Fire Company No. 12, for Ball Room.....	125 00
	31—	Do do Sarsfield Guards, for Ball Room.....	125 00
	Do	do George Washington, No. 65, as a loan.....	200 00
	Do	do St. Helena, No. 96, balance in full.....	90 00
	Do	do Lisbon, No. 121, on account.....	30 00
	Do	do Athens, No. 136, balance in full.....	65 44
	Do	do Jeffersonian, No. 138, balance in full.....	24 72

1861.

January	1—	To Cash received from H. McCloskey, one year's rent in advance.....	1800 00
	Do	do P. Clissey, rent for December and January.....	60 00
	3—	Do do Livingston, No. 160, in full.....	94 00
	4—	Do do H. McCloskey, rent for January.....	125 00
	Do	do McCerren & Landry, rent for January.....	166 65
	16—	Do do Alpha Home, No. 72, rent to December 31st.....	37 50
	17—	Do do Louisiana Mechanics' Society, for Ball Room.....	125 00
	19—	Do do Humble Cottage, No. 19, in full.....	55 00
	21—	Do do Trinity, No. 105, on account.....	55 00
	Do	do Hope, No. 145, in full.....	32 00
	23—	Do do Louisiana, No. 102, for rent.....	37 50
	Do	do Alpha Home, No. 72, on account.....	105 00
	Do	do Quitman, No. 76, for rent.....	37 50
	24—	Do do Orleans, No. 78, for rent.....	37 50
	Do	do W. P. Coleman, rent for November.....	100 00
	Do	do Jacques de Molay, Commandry No. 2, for rent.....	200 00
	25—	Do do Perkins, No. 150, in full.....	60 00
	26—	Do do Saints John, No. 153, in full.....	65 00
	28—	Do do Western Star, No. 61, in full.....	58 00
	Do	do Morganza, No. 159, on account.....	51 00
	29—	Do do Atchafalaya, No. 163, in full.....	41 00
	Do	do Silencio, U. D., in full.....	80 00
	Do	do Montgomery, U. D., in full.....	50 00
	30—	Do do St. Andrew, No. 5, in full.....	96 00
	Do	do Oliver, No. 84, on account.....	54 00



## 1861.] GRAND SECRETARY'S ACCOUNT CURRENT.

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January	30—	To cash received from Brookville, No. 161, in full.....	\$ 53 75
	31—	Do do Felician, No. 31, on account.....	53 00
	Do	do Germania, No. 46, in full.....	92 00
	Do	do Friends of Harmony, No. 58, in full.....	180 00
	Do	do Dudley, No. 66, in full.....	114 00
	Do	do Orleans, No. 78, in full.....	86 00
	Do	do Silent Brotherhood, No. 146, in full.....	38 00
February	1—	Do do P. Clissey, for rent of Supper Room.....	30 00
	Do	do Alpha Home, No. 72, balance in full.....	4 00
	2—	Do do Mount Moriah, No. 59, in full.....	301 00
	Do	do George Washington, No. 65, in full.....	135 00
	Do	do Marion, No. 68, in full.....	141 00
	Do	do Urim, No. 111, on account.....	51 00
	Do	do Arcadia, No. 126, on account.....	20 00
	Do	do Columbia, No. 164, in full.....	35 00
	Do	do Lion Wood, U. D., in full.....	41 00
	4—	Do do Perfect Union, No. 1, in full.....	32 00
	Do	do Concorde, No. 3, in full.....	39 00
	Do	do Minden, No. 51, in full.....	84 00
	Do	do Quitman, No. 76, in full.....	147 00
	Do	do Cypress, No. 89, in full.....	63 75
	Do	do Thibodaux Benevolent, No. 90, in full.....	45 00
	Do	do Thomas Jefferson, No. 113, balance in full.....	58 44
	Do	do Grand Secretary's Office and Library Rooms, rent for 1860.....	300 00
	Do	do Eighty-four Diplomas, as per Certificates.....	210 00
	Do	do Gordy, No. 133, on account.....	34 00

(K. &amp; C. E.)

\$17,081 65

NEW ORLEANS, February 4, 1861.

SAM'L G. RISK, *Grand Secretary, in Account Current with the*  
M. W. GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

1860.								CR.
March	19—	By amount paid S. C. Michell, W. Grand Treasurer, as per receipt.....						\$1,029 98
May	4—	Do do do do do do do do .....						626 66
	24—	Do do do do do do do do .....						553 73
	25—	Do do do do do do do do .....						125 00
	29—	Do do do do do do do do .....						1,000 00
	2—	Do do do do do do do do .....						1,800 00
	26—	Do do do do do do do do .....						241 65
July	28—	Do do do do do do do do .....						751 83
August	6—	Do do do do do do do do .....						400 00
Novem.	2—	Do do do do do do do do .....						1,744 85
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Jan'y	25—	Do do S. M. Todd do do do do .....						5,195 01
Feb'y	2—	Do do do do do do do do .....						1,500 00
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NEW ORLEANS, February 4, 1861.

# RETURNS OF CONSTITUENT LODGES,

## FOR THE YEAR 1860.

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### PERFECT UNION LODGE, No. 1.

*Rampart st., between Main and St Philip sts., N. O.*

#### OFFICERS.

Pitot, A, Jr .....	W M	Laffon, C.....	Secretary
DeBuys, O .....	S W	Forstall, C E .....	S D
DeBlanc, C .....	J W	Choppin, S.....	J D
Baudouin, A. A.....	Treasurer	Raymond, C.....	Tyler

#### MEMBERS.

Augustin, D	Guyol, T	Musson, M
Boudousquie, A	Honold, C	Martin, E
Collignon, G	Hopkins, James	McCall, E J
Currell, C	Lauve, O	Nott, W A
Eustis, George	Lee, C S	Noblom, A P
Elliot, A F	Lewis, J L	Rousseau, L
Gardere, F	Leaumont, G	St. Paul, H
Gaillard, O	Loening, G M	Schreiber, A
		Total—32.

*Affiliated*—C. DeBlanc, George Eustis.

*Died*—James Hopkins.

## POLAR STAR LODGE, No. 1.

*Rampart, between Main and St. Philip sts., N. O.*

## OFFICERS.

Morel, A R.....	W M	St. Romes, E de.....	Secretary
Claiborne, Chas .....	S W	Schwaner, Otto.....	S D
Levasseur, F.....	J W	Lay, Louis .....	J D
Samory, C.....	Treasurer	Prados, M.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Deverges, P	LaSere, Emile	Tissot, J L
Filleul, E	Lumsden, F A	Tallarie, E A
Hernandez, M	Marigny, Mandeville	Texier, A
Lanaux, A P	Meilleur, Michel	Total—19.

*Died*—F. A. Lumsden; Michel Meilleur; E. A. Tallarie.

## CONCORDE LODGE, No. 3.

*Rampart, between Main and St. Philip streets, N. O.*

## OFFICERS.

Sorapuru, J B .....	W M	Meilleur, S.....	Secretary
Dubreulh, G M.....	S W	Domingo, T S.....	S D
Constantino, L.....	J W	Sanchez, R.....	J D
Gutierrez, R.....	Treasurer	Hillman, A .....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bellow, L	Diaz, J	Letourneur, P A
Bertus, V	Durbridge, W	McDermott, P
Bertel, A N	Daunoy, J L	Meyran, R
Biegansky, E	Gerard, H	Muncz, B
Bruneau, J	Guinault, S C	Nicomede, F L
Chaillot, E	Gaspard, T	Oulif, M
Coudreau, A	Hickok, D	Perilliat, F
		Total—29.

*Initiated*—T. Gaspard; R. Sanchez; T. Ferranti; J. M. Sanchez.*Passed*—T. Gaspard; R. Sanchez; T. Ferranti; J. M. Sanchez.*Raised*—T. Gaspard; R. Sanchez.*Affiliated*—Samuel Aron (E. A.)*Demitted*—S. C. Guinault.*Suspended*—V. Bertus; A. N. Bertel; E. Chaillot; A Coudreau.*Expelled*—L. Bellow.*Reinstated*—V. Bertus; E. Chaillot.

## PERSEVERANCE LODGE, No. 4.

*Corner of Main and St. Claude streets, N. O.*

## OFFICERS.

Rican, Fulgence.....W M	Meilleur, François....Secretary
Calongne, Chas.....S W	Merlin, Jerome.....S D
Barthe, Caliste.....J W	Copping, H L T.....J D
Pédarré, Henry .....Treasurer	Bency, Louis ( <sup>not a</sup> member).....Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brisolora, J	Frigerio, L	Perrin, J
Bois, Oscar	Fisse, J	Romain, G
Calongne, M A	Grasso, A	St Martin, L
Camos, B	Marcon, J	Sarrazin, J P
Claverie, M	Miathe, M	Sarrazin, J L
Claverie, J M	Paoli, S D	Villio, J
Doussat, J L	Percyra, F	Total—27.

*Initiated*—M. Cazalot; P. Curet; J. Lapeyrolierie; J. Lalanne.*Passed*—H. L. T. Copping; M. Cazalot; C. Barthe (1858).*Raised*—H. L. T. Copping; C. Barthe (1858).*Demitted*—A. Grasso.

## LOS AMIGOS DEL ORDEN LODGE, No. 5.

*Rampart, between Main and St. Philip streets, N. O.*

## OFFICERS.

Antonio, Marco.....W M	Lopez, Salvador M...Secretary
Martin, Angel.....S W	Conto, Cayetano Paz y.....S D
Planellas, José.....J W	Puig, Narciso .....J D
Sitges, Marcos .....Treasurer	Raymond, Chas ( <sup>not a</sup> member)....Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Astrede, Antonio	Garcia, Jacinto	Rico, Juan J
Azcona, Frans G	Herrera, Juan	Rovira, Antonio
Ayscolin, Felix	Leon, Justo y Garcia	Remendo, Pedro
Barba, Fernando	Lux, Pedro	Salas, Pedro Prats y
Barros, Manuel	Mestier, Luis	Sotres, Santos
Bardales, Gregorio	Monyo, Antonio	Sancho, Miguel
Botto, José	Manent, Francisco	Syz, J Federico

Carrillo, Basilio	Nogueira, And Valls	Sisa, Lorenzo
Carreras, Pedro	Pace, Miguel	Sisa, Salvador
Caballero, Fernando	Pace, José	Saliba, José
Capella, Manuel	Pace, Francisco	Sambola, Antonio
Carril, Laureano	Parras, Juan J	Talazac, Luis
Carril, Secundino	Patergas, Antonio	Torre, Antonio
Da Costa, Francisco J	Paris, Bernardo	Tunon, Martin F
De Lucas, Bruno	Prats, Gabriel	Tramontana, Lorenzo
De Villegas, Leon G	Pargas, Manuel	Valls, Andres F
Fernandez, Bernardo	Papalardo, Vicente	Wilson, W W
Flores, Juan	Portella, Joaquin	Ybanes, Francisco
Garcia, Valerio	Peyret, Joaquin	Zalduendo, Ramon
Garcia, Salvador		Total—65.

*Initiated*—Frans. G. Azcona; Felix Ayscolin; Gregorio Bardales; Cayetano Paz y Couto; Jacinto Garcia; Juan Herrera; Francisco Pace; Vicente Papalardo; Narciso Puig; Joaquin Portella; Joaquin Peyret; Lorenzo Sisa; Salvador Sisa; Antonio Sambola; Lorenzo Tramontana; Francisco Ybanes; José Garcia; Mariano Pelayo.

*Passed*—Frans. G. Azcona; Felix Ayscolin; Gregorio Bardales; Cayetano Paz y Couto; Jacinto Garcia; Juan Herrera; Francisco Pace; Vicente Papalardo; Narciso Puig; Joaquin Portella; Joaquin Peyret; Lorenzo Sisa; Salvador Sisa; Antonio Sambola; Lorenzo Tramontana; Francisco Ybanes.

*Raised*—Frans. G. Azcona; Felix Ayscolin; Gregorio Bardales; Cayetano Paz y Couto; Jacinto Garcia; Juan Herrera; Francisco Pace; Vicente Papalardo; Narciso Puig; Joaquin Portella; Joaquin Peyret; Lorenzo Sisa; Salvador Sisa; Antonio Sambola; Lorenzo Tramontana; Francisco Ybanes.

*Affiliated*—J. Federico Syz; W. W. Wilson.

*Died*—Juan J. Rico; Ramon Zalduendo.

*Reinstated*—José Botto; Miguel Sancho; José Saliba.

## ST. ANDREW LODGE, No. 5.

*Conti, between Villere and Robertson streets, N. O.*

### OFFICERS.

Danty, E. ....	W M	Pausas, J. ....	Secretary
Cauhapé, P. ....	S W	Degro, H. ....	S D
Tournier, N. ....	J W	Gaudené, F. ....	J D
Lagrange, C. ....	Treasurer	Carrère, J P. ....	Inside Tyler
Ternot, J B. ....	Orator	Abadié, V. ....	Outside Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Adam, F	Laborde, B	Perrandat, M
Aubry, A	Lamarre, J	Pothier, M
Bergé, P	Larcade, B	Ricaud, Theo
Calonjat, J	Lecompte, C D	Rivoira, P
Carrillo, B	Levy, M	Rivas, J
Castro, V A de	Loubet, E D	Sabater, J
Claret, E	Lusse, G	Segui, Gahona G y
Comment, F	Maignan, V	Schwitzer, J
Clement, D	Marchal, C	St Jouan, P
Dejeant, J M	Masquère, E	Stire, M
Domerc, F	Matheo, J M	Uhalt, P
Espinola, C	Meunier, D	Voigniet, Theo
Freychinaud, J	Micas, V	Winçon, J
Infante, M	Micas, Ph	Total—51.

*Initiated*—B. Carrillo; J. P. Carrère; V. A. de Castro; J. M. Dejeant; C. Espinola; M. Infante; Ph. Micas; P. Rivoira; J. Rivas; J. Sabater; G. Gahona y Segui; P. Uhalt; Theo. Voigniet; A. Baduel; L. Bénot.

*Passed*—B. Carrillo; J. P. Carrère; V. A. de Castro; J. M. Dejeant; C. Espinola; J. Freychinaud, M. Infante; Ph. Micas; Theo. Ricaud; P. Rivoira; J. Rivas; J. Sabater; G. Gahona y Segui; P. Uhalt; Theo. Voigniet.

*Raised*—B. Carrillo; J. P. Carrère; V. A. de Castro; J. M. Dejeant; C. Espinola; J. Freychinaud; M. Infante; Ph. Micas; Theo. Ricaud; P. Rivoira; J. Rivas; J. Sabater; G. Gahona y Segui; P. Uhalt; Theo. Voigniet.

*Demitted*—B. Carrillo; V. A. de Castro; C. Espinola; J. Freychinaud; M. Infante; J. M. Matheo; P. Rivoira; J. Rivas; J. Sabater; G. Gahona y Segui; P. St. Jouan.

*Died*—J. Calonjat; E. Claret; L. Bénot (E. A.)

*Stricken from the Roll*—A. Aubrey; D. Clement; E. D. Loubet.

*Reinstated*—E. D. Loubet.

*Suspended in 1858*—L. Bernard.

## HUMBLE COTTAGE LODGE, No. 19.

*Opelousas, Parish of St. Landry, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Porter, J M. ....	W M	Loëb, Samuel E. ....	Secretary
Beauchamp, J J. ....	S W	Firnberg, Salomon. ....	S D
Reed, John. ....	J W	McMillan, J A. ....	J D
Bouchez, E. ....	Treasurer	Bodemüller, H. ....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bissenger, F P	Hudson, J P	Morgan, J J
Block, Joseph	Hartman, H B	Mornhinveg, C
Buck, F H	Hardy, P D	Pilate, E
Brooks, J G	Jubertie, J	Pitre, F L
Couret, J L	Kaufman, M	Pollingue, J B
Carriere G	Lewis, Thos H	Porter, W W
Chrétien, H	Lewis, Wm B	Ray, James
Capps, J A	Louailler, A	Schmidt, J B
Debaillon, E	Littell, R H	Salles, B J
Ealer, C N	Macdonald, J	Thompson, J M
Going, A	Morrogh, J	Wittingham, M
Grimm, George	Mayo, C	
Hebrard, P L	Moore, J	Total—45.

*Initiated*—Geo. Grimm; Fred'k Laas; J. M. Neyland; D. D. Orden.

*Passed*—Geo. Grimm; Fred'k Laas; J. M. Neyland.

*Raised*—J. A. Capps; Geo. Grimm; H. B. Hartman.

*Affiliated*—Joseph Block; F. H. Buck; J. G. Brooks; J. A. McMillan; C. Mornhinveg; W. W. Porter.

*Demitted*—M. Kaufman.

*Died*—J. Jubertie.

*Suspended for Twelve Months*—H. Chrétien.

## ST. ALBAN'S LODGE, No. 28.

*Jackson, East Feliciana, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Rogillio, W T.....	W M	Kiblinger, E C.....	Secretary
Gourlay, J E T.....	S W	Matingly, W C.....	S D
Barkdull, J D.....	J W	Rhodes, N G .....	J D
Reinburg, H .....	Treasurer	Rogillio, J G .....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Ballard, A W	Green, P E	Oppenheimer, M
Brown, L W	Green, C S	Posey, H A
Boyd, John	Hart, Arthur	Ratliff, C H
Belvin, L	Hammer, R	Rogillio, W H
Catlett, G W	Hazard, A	Richardson, J O
Chapman, P C	Hagaman, F V D	Simpson, G W A
Clark, H	Kennedy, R B	Sullivan, F M

Comfort, C L	Kent, G W	Sullivan, W
Dunbar, S W	Miller, J C	Smith, W B
Donnally, A J	McKenna, A	Sullivan, Pat <sup>k</sup>
Douglas, W W	McVea, John	Sullivan, L K
Driggs, M H	Munson, W W	Simmons, H J
Dawson, W W	Miller, A G	Tomb, S G
East, John	Meyer, A	Vaughan, R S
Faulkner, W F	McManus, C	Walden, C W II

Total—53.

*Initiated*—G. W. Kent; C. McManus; H. A. Posey; J. O. Richardson.*Passed*—L. Belvin; G. W. Kent; C. McManus; H. A. Posey; J. O. Richardson.*Raised*—L. Belvin; W. W. Douglas; M. H. Driggs; G. W. Kent; C. McManus; H. A. Posey; W. H. Rogillio; J. O. Richardson; S. G. Tomb.*Affiliated*—C. S. Green.*Demitted*—C. L. Comfort.*Died*—L. K. Sullivan.

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### FELICIANA LODGE, No. 31.

*St. Francisville, West Feliciana, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Powell, Sam'l J.....	W M	Miller, G. Merrick....	Secretary
Spear, John W.....	S W	Barkdull, Jesse.....	S D
Leake, W W.....	J W	Howell, J B.....	J D
Stoër, Chas .....	Treasurer	Town, Wm .....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Barbry, Jas	Hearsey, Wm	Maddox, I. T
Barrow, R H	Hoffman, C	McLaughlin, D L
Barrow, J J	Hale, James	Muse, P K
Beatheny, T	Hale, Robert	Nibling, J M
Burgess, L A	Harper, J P	Parr, Sam'l
Barton, R	Helvestine, T	Percy, C
Carmena, J	Hillin, J H	Raby, J R
Chase, O W	Hosea, C E	Randolph, Peter
Davis, Jesse	Johnson, L B	Stocking, D L
Day, L P	Jones, D W C	Stirling, J L
Donnally, R N	Leake, F V	Scott, J A
Dye, A J	Levy, A	Thoms, S D
Fort, W J	Mayers, J J	Vaughan, Valentine
Henshaw, J H	Maynard, J N	Wooster, J S

Total—50.



*Initiated*—Wm. R. Barrow, Jr.; B. H. Barrow; Wm. C. Lytle.

*Passed*—S. D. Thoms; S. H. Cotten.

*Raised*—John B. Howell; C. Percy; S. D. Thoms.

*Affiliated*—Robert Barton.

*Demitted*—L. P. Day.

*Died*—Joseph Carmena; Jas. L. Stirling.

## PHENIX LODGE, No. 38.

*Natchitoches, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Smith, John Blair .....	W M	— — — — —	.....	S D
Payne, William.....	S W	Helme, T D .....	J D	
Metoyer, Felix.....	J W	Caspari, L }	.....	Stewards
Vienne, François.....	Treasurer	Cloutier, F E }	.....	
Morrow, Wm P.....	Secretary	Stimpson, T J.....	Tyler	

### MEMBERS.

Boullet, D H	Hamlin, C	Smith, Jerry
Breda, J P	Jones, R S	Smith, John Ben
Bullitt, B W	Kile, S W	Smith, Wm
Brosset, M C	Levy, J S	Shoeman, T
Capmartin, O	Lamm, Emile	Thompson, Kenneth
Chaplin, C Jr	Morse, P A	Tauzin, H L
Cockfield, E J	Marcy, Louis	Williams, Frederick
Carrell, F L	Martin, John J	Williams, John R
Carrell, J A	Ponder, W A	Williams, D S G
DeRussey, T E	Perini, A	Wolfson, J A
Goss, G W	Roper, E B	Walmsley, C L
Hyams, S M	Rutland, W R	West, John R
Hunter, Thos	St. Amans, B	Wakefield, T
Holloway, G W	Stephens, John H	Total—50.

*Initiated*—F. E. Cloutier; H. L. Tauzin; W. J. H. Bludworth, J. L. Gordon; Isaac Souter.

*Passed*—F. E. Cloutier; H. L. Tauzin; W. J. H. Bludworth; J. L. Gordon.

*Raised*—F. E. Cloutier; H. L. Tauzin.

*Affiliated*—G. W. Goss; Emile Lamm; W. R. Rutland.

*Died*—Thos. E. DeRussey; John L. Gordon (F. C.); J. B. Holeman (E. A.)

## FOYER MACONNIQUE LODGE, No. 44.

*Rampart, between Main and St. Philip streets, N. O.*

## OFFICERS.

Marinoni, U.....	W M	Brugier, P Jr.....	Secretary
Woeste, R.....	S W	Gonthier, F.....	S D
Rose, J.....	J W	Ittman, G.....	J D
Stella, J M.....	Treasurer	Brugier, P Sr.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Amodeo, N	Guy, S F	Mortedo, J B
Ammon, O A	Gherardi, A	Noullet, S
Benedict, A	Gueble, F	Papini, C
Bompet, M	Gavin, G W	Peltier, J C
Brauer, C	Hernandez, J M	Pain, H J B
Borde, F	Incagnone, A	Pellegrin, J S
Brummerstade, —	Kathmann, J	Rivas, F
Constantini, F	Kuntzmann, J	Reber, P
Cantoni, M	Keller, F A	Santini, J
Chiffel, F G	Ilado, J	Stella, D
Chambers, W A	Lazanski, F	Sheppard, W H
Campbell, W S	Levy, S	Steiner, A
Campiglio, B	Leblanc, E	Shuermann, W A
Dauphin, C F	Lefevre, F	Sbisa, J
Dreyfous, A	Moses, G	Thiele, A
Fondard, J F M	Mettler, M	Thompson, G W
Fick, F	Mueller, J S	Vegas, J
Fehrenbach, M	Meyer, A	Weiss, J
Fredericks, G J	Meyer, E	Zurn, P
Geismard, S		

Total—66.

*Initiated*—C. Brauer; — Brummerstade; A. Dreyfous; F. Borde; F. Gonthier; J. B. Mortedo; A. Peltier; M. Roche; — Tramontana.

*Passed*—C. Brauer; F. Borde; — Brummerstade; A. Dreyfous; F. Gonthier; J. B. Mortedo.

*Raised*—C. Brauer; F. Borde; — Brummerstade; A. Dreyfous; F. Gonthier; J. B. Mortedo.

*Affiliated*—A. Incagnone; — Cantatore (E. A.)

*Demitted*—S. Geismard. In 1858, Ed. Abell.

*Died*—F. Lefevre; A. Meyer.

## JACKSON LODGE, No. 45.

*Greenwood, Caddo Parish, La.*

[No Returns.]

## GERMANIA LODGE, No. 46.

*St. Louis street, near Claiborne, N. O.*

## OFFICERS.

Gerlach, John . . . . .	W M	Fischer, Chas . . . . .	Secretary
Huber, J M. . . . .	S W	Aufenkolk, F . . . . .	S D
Wachter, Lorenz . . . . .	J W	Heilbrunn, D . . . . .	J D
Schwarz, J J. . . . .	Treasurer	Droege, N. . . . .	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Abry, J G	Goldstein, A	Phillips, Alex
Abels, J H	Gerdes, Albert	Reutter, J E
Asche, Christian	Guyold, A	Rees, Chas
Baaden, John	Giesler, R	Simon, Martin
Boh, J B	Hatry, T	Szubilsky, H
Brandt, Chr	Hoch, M	Springer, L
Brussbacher, R	Hoffman, G A	Stich, Isidore
Beckman, E	Jenson, P	Stonne, W A
Conrad, A	Koch, E	Schmidt, A
Delfs, F	Kramer, W	Volrath, H
Dorhauer, A	Kattmann, John	Weber, J G
Dehmel, W	Kaiser, J L	Wellhausen, H
Eichholz, F O	Kerston, Wm	Wild, J F
Fulda, Julius	Kellner, J F	Wild, John
Friederich, J	Koerenzig, C	Wild, Christian
Frank, A	Lanz, Jacob	Winkelman, A
Flammang, N	Lippe, J N	Weber, Stanislaus
Fürbringer, Wm	Mayer, J T	Wunderlich, E G
Fried, Wm	Michelfelder, M	Werner, Jacob
Fick, V	Middendorf, J	Wuest, Wm
Gottschalk, Chas	Oppenheim, L	Zollinger, Jacob

Total—71.

*Initiated*—G. A. Hoffman; N. Arnhalt; J. W. Becker; E. Steenken; Jacob Becker; A. Frobel; Otto Lange; Geo. Merz.

*Passed*—R. Brussbacher; A. Conrad; R. Giesler; G. A. Hoffman; Jacob Zollinger; N. Arnhalt; J. W. Becker; Wm. Hartmann.

*Raised*—R. Brussbacher; A. Conrad; R. Giesler; G. A. Hoffman; Jacob Zollinger.

*Died*—Wm. Dehmel; F. O. Eichholz; A. Frank; N. Flammang; Alex. Phillips.

*Stricken from the Roll*—E. Beckman.

## ST. JAMES LODGE, No. 47.

*Baton Rouge, Louisiana.*

## OFFICERS.

Hart, Sam'l M.....	W M	Brunot, F R.....	Secretary
Asher, S M.....	S W	Herron, A S.....	S D
Fulshire, A J.....	J W	McCormick, Joseph.....	J D
Pike, Wm S.....	Treasurer	Reeder, W G.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Alexander, A	Gentles, Henry	Pullen, E J
Burke, R H	Huguet, J S	Reger, Ashbury
Bradford, A	Hutches, Jas	Richard, J
Buffington, T J	Isett, S L	Richard, F
Blanchard, S F	Lallier, F C	Sale, H E
Bauer, Philip	LaNoue, J C	Stuart, J D
Blazer, Francis	LaNoue, E	Sharp, W J
Crozier, A M	McGimpsey, J W P	Stephens, B
Carrigan, J N	McCutcheon, J M	Sheppers, Alfred
Collins, Isaac N	Morgan, T G	St. Martin, A
Dunn, J B	Mann, W D	Stafford, J C
Dunn, A M	Monteith, H R	Turner, James
Day, R H	Marks, S F	Vail, A B
Dufrocq, J R	New, John H	Van Pelt, J V
Elam, J E	Obadowski, H	Williams, J A
Enger, C J	Piker, Chas F	Williams, J M
Fay, Timothy	Pike, Geo A	Wilson, Alfred
Groves, J B	Perillat, F	Washington, J G
Goldman, T H		Total—63.

*Initiated*—Isaac N. Collins; John Hill; H. R. Monteith; J. V. Van Pelt.

*Passed*—Isaac N. Collins; H. R. Monteith; J. V. Van Pelt.

*Raised*—F. R. Brunot, Isaac N. Collins; H. R. Monteith; J. V. Van Pelt.

*Affiliated*—Francis Blazer; J. N. Carrigan.

*Died*—John R. Dufrocq. In 1859—J. S. Morgan; John D. Repp.

*Stricken from the Roll*—S. F. Blanchard; Jas. E. Elam; E. LaNoue; S. F. Marks; H. E. Sale; Jas. Turner.

*Reinstated*—F. Perillat.

## PROVIDENCE LODGE, No. 50.

*Lake Providence, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Campbell, R N.....	W M	Purdy, Chas R .....	Secretary
Pennington, W F.....	S W	Whicher, Franc.....	S D
Ingram, J S .....	J W	Strassner, F.....	J D
Kent, Isaac N.....	Treasurer	Richard, Amié .....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allen, W L	Lacks, S W	Puckett, J H
Bass, A	Larch, S A	Ritch, O H P
Beasley, R J	Lea, J M	Roberts, J F
Connelly, R T	Lewis, Simon	Rust, B F
Elliott, J B	Lyons, W R C	Salen, G
Ferry, Elihu	McAuley, Sam'l	Sharp, Wm
Green, A W	McAllister, C	Strehle, F
Griffith, Thos	McNeill, A J	Sims, R C
Goodrich, F M	Matthews, E	Sibley, W L
Herbert, E	Morgan, D L	Smith, R M
Hendrixson, J S	Newman, E F	Short, Hugh
Hillman, H	Pride, J M	Shumard, J J
Holmes, H	Pilcher, C M	Willson, Geo G
Total—47.		

*Initiated*—D. H. Alexander; Jacob Garrett; J. S. Hendrixson; D. L. Morgan; C. M. Pilcher; J. H. Puckett.

*Passed*—Jacob Garrett; J. S. Hendrixson; D. L. Morgan; C. M. Pilcher; J. H. Puckett.

*Raised*—J. S. Hendrixson; D. L. Morgan; E. F. Newman; C. M. Pilcher; J. H. Puckett.

*Affiliated*—Elihu Ferry; A. J. McNeill; O. H. P. Ritch; B. F. Rust; Wm. Sharp.

*Demitted*—Wm. L. Sibley.

*Died*—H. Hillman.

*Suspended*—B. F. Rust.

## MINDEN LODGE, No. 51.

*Minden, Claiborne Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Berry, J W .....	W M	Landsberg, A .....	Secretary
Cox, M S.....	S W	Hardy, T H.....	S D
Franks, W L .....	J W	Gassaway, T J.....	J D
Lucas, C A.....	Treasurer	Allen, S S.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brown, J H	Gee, S P	Millican, J A
Bates, P P	Hodges, J L	Maxey, R
Black, W F	Hodges, R	Mooty, J F
Burson, E G	Harper, J D	Nickerson, E T
Buys, J G	Hunter, J C T	Nickerson, J W
Bryan, J N	Hunter, Geo	Newman, S
Bryan, J T	Holcomb, John	Oliver, J N
Clinton, S R	Kelly, W A	Parmenter, H B
Camp, A G	Kennon, R M	Pressnall, J M
Clinton, J A	Lee, J B	Ratcliffe, H
Carter, J J	Lane, J G	Reynolds, A J
Carter, J N	McFarland, D	Sledge, J M
Dennard, John	McPanton, J	Smith, J B
Doyle, J M	McFarland, H	Smith, M C
Deck, B P	Martin, N M	Turner, J C
Evans, J R	Miller, M	Walker, D M
Everett, G W	Miller, M W	Woodard, J E
Fleming, S	Moreland, T	Wilson, John
Gueren, J P	Monsingo, S	Weldon, C L
Gilbert, J G	McWilliams, J C	Total—67.

*Initiated*—M. S. Cox; A. J. Reynolds; J. C. Turner; D. M. Walker; J. E. Woodard; John Holt.

*Passed*—M. S. Cox; A. J. Reynolds; J. C. Turner; D. M. Walker; J. E. Woodard.

*Raised*—M. S. Cox; A. J. Reynolds; J. C. Turner; D. M. Walker; J. E. Woodard.

*Affiliated*—Geo. Hunter; R. M. Kennon; J. F. Mooty; S. Newman; John Wilson; C. L. Weldon; Thos. H. Hardy.

*Demitted*—P. P. Bates; J. N. Carter; J. D. Harper.

*Died*—J. H. Brown; J. Holcomb.

## OLIVE LODGE, No. 52.

*Clinton, Parish of East Feliciana, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Munday, G W.....	W M	D'Armond, T H.....	Secretary
Chapman, L G.....	S W	Bishop, T W.....	S D
Packwood, G H.....	J W	Fiestor, A T.....	J D
Kahn, S.....	Treasurer	Rist, C A.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Adams, J J	Fuqua, T J	Myers, Wm
Booker, Wm	Felps, J F	Montgomery, J R
Brown, Irvine	Felps, E R	Monahan, J P
Brown, J P	Flower, E A	Nesom, Jas
Bloom, Solomon	Gayle, W D	Norman, Louis
Barnes, E W	Gayle, C O	Norwood, D C
Brown, R S	Green, W H	Norwood, J A
Barnett, Joel	Gurney, Wm	Offett, John
Bowman, C D	Haynes, Bythell	Reese, G W
Barfield, D	Haney, P J	Robbins, T W
Brown, J V	Hatchell, B B	Ross, E
Bilger, C	Hertzler, John	Rounsaville, D W
Chapman, W W	Hardee, D C	Rowley, Job
Cobb, W H	Hall, S J	Smith, Jas B
Castello, J J	Hamilton, W J	Seals, L J
Craig, J M	Higginbotham, J R	Shultz, Chas
Currie, A F	Jordan, W M	Smith, J J
Carney, J G	Jones, H W	Smith, W C
Covert, J J	Jackson, J C	Tilden, Norwood
D'Armond, J G	Knight, N A	Vanwycke, J C
Dembinski, L	Kernan, W F	Wood, John
Dunn, W W	Killbourne, J G	Wall, Isaac
Eddards, O G	Kent, S B	Womack, A M
Edwards, G W	Latham, G A	Worms, A
East, T L	Love, J H	Walker, W E
Embree, Joseph	Langworthy, O P	White, C S
Frank, M	Myers, J H	Young, J M
Fawver, W N	McGuffy, H	Total—91.

*Initiated*—C. Bilger; W. C. Smith; J. F. Depriest.

*Passed*—J. J. Adams; J. V. Brown; C. Bilger; S. B. Kent; W. C. Smith; T. B. Brown; B. W. Fawver.

*Raised*—J. J. Adams; J. V. Brown; C. Bilger; S. B. Kent; W. C. Smith.

*Affiliated*—J. J. Adams (E. A.); Joseph Embree; J. C. Jackson.

*Demitted*—J. P. Brown; John Wood; A. Worms.

*Died*—John H. Love.

## UNION FRATERNAL LODGE, No. 53.

*Farmersville, Union Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Barrett, John L.....	W M	Smith, Wm C.....	Secretary
Carson, M S.....	S W	Shields, J M.....	S D
Taylor, J G.....	J W	Kolb, J G.....	J D
Rabun, R F.....	Treasurer	McFarland, W A.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Arrent, David	Dillard, B F	Nyegaard, J C L
Auld, J A	Findley, T B	Odom, Pinckney
Anders, John	Findley, A J	Pearson, James
Bird, V J	Granger, A H	Phillips, J F
Bilberry, E B	Honeycutt, A	Robinson, J B
Bilberry, J G	Hall, W C	Raney, W J
Betterton, N	Ham, H H	Regenburg, H
Bransford, J A	McGough, W S	Rowland, L F
Carson, W H	Morrison, D C	Ward, E H
Culbertson, W H	Mashaw, Peter	Windes, E B
Carr, Allen	McVicker, P H	Total—40.

*Initiated*—Thomas C. Lewis; F. G. Hargis.

*Passed*—Thomas C. Lewis.

*Affiliated*—J. M. Shields; T. M. Keels (F. C.)

*Demitted*—J. A. Auld; John Anders; V. J. Bird; J. G. Bilberry; J. C. L. Nyegaard; John B. Robinson; W. J. Raney.

*Died*—L. F. Rowland.

## MOUNT GERIZIM LODGE, No. 54.

*Bastrop, Morehouse Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Marble, R D.....	W M	McMurtry, W L.....	Secretary
Humbert, G J.....	S W	Pratt, J L.....	S D
Jones, R H.....	J W	Sharp, J T.....	J D
Sharp, G D.....	Treasurer	Tisdale, G F.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Alford, Warren	Hough, J E S	Smith, B W
Brice, J M	Jones, Jas L	Stinson, J B
Cason, J T	Jelks, G W	Stevenson, R W
Davenport, F J	Livingston, A	Smith, Daniel
Davenport, A S	McKoin, John	Shordt, J J
Doby, H K	Montgomery, J T	Traylor, J H
Felton, J G	McKay, T J	Waltman, Robt
Goff, M C	McGowen, J E	Wiseman, J G
Hendrick, R C	Newton, D	
Harper, A D	Sisson, J E	Total—36.

*Initiated*—M. C. Goff; B. K. Vaughan.

*Passed*—M. C. Goff.

*Raised*—M. C. Goff; J. T. Sharp.

*Affiliated*—J. L. Pratt; Robt. Waltman; J. G. Wiseman.

*Demitted*—Warren Alford; F. J. Davenport; G. W. Jelks.



## DE SOTO LODGE, No. 55.

*Mansfield, De Soto Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Sutherland, N A.....	W M	Jackson, B F.....	Secretary
Yarbrough, J J.....	S W	Jackson, W R.....	S D
Snider, G.....	J W	Phifer, S.....	J D
Parsons, W F.....	Treasurer	Jackson, J S.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brodnax, T W	Gibbs, C W	Reaves, J W
Bennett, W F T	Gordon, T J	Stephenson, J M
Buchanan, M G	Guy, S E	Sutherland, J H
Barker, B P	Herren, W F	Stewart, James
Brown, Israel	John, Abel	Steel, J G
Betts, E G	Jeffries, T D	Scales, J C
Bailey, W B	Johnson, Enoch	Sutherland, G H
Carroll, A O	Lard, D J	Sheppard, J H
Coursey, C W	Lewis, Martin	Sloan, H
Carey, S S	McLaughlin, S	Sebastian, Wm
Cranford, J J	Mosely, James	Smith, Wm
Cranford, W	McDowell, R	Tibbetts, C D
Clifton, R	Mathews, P H	Terrell, W H
Davis, W J	McCraw, J H	Wynn, P D
Dillard, J H	Morgan, —	Williams, Jr T J
Eastham, J H	Nolen, J W	Wyley, T J
Eckerman, Z D	Newton, C E	Williams, J M
Fortson, E H	Phillips, H J	Webb, W J
Fleniken, M D	Pegues, S L	Westmoreland, O P
Foreman, Q A	Parker, S D	West, —
Gibson, W T	Pearson, B W	Yates, C F
Godfrey, Wilson	Rucker, Burton	Total—73.

*Initiated*—C. A. Ashlin; W. W. Frazier; Virgil Thweatt; O. P. Westmoreland; C. F. Yates.

*Passed*—C. A. Ashlin; H. Flores; O. P. Westmoreland; C. F. Yates.

*Raised*—R. Clifton; W. F. Parsons; J. M. Stephenson; O. P. Westmoreland; C. F. Yates.

*Affiliated*—E. H. Fortson; Enoch Johnson; J. H. McCraw; J. W. Nolen; — Morgan; B. W. Pearson.

*Demitted*—M. G. Buchanan; W. Cranford; W. J. Davis; J. H. Dillard; W. T. Gibson; S. D. Parker; J. H. Sheppard; H. Sloan; William Sebastian; Wm. Smith; J. M. Williams.

*Died*—C. W. Gibbs; Enoch Johnson.

## LAFAYETTE LODGE, No. 56.

*Vernon, Jackson Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Jones, John C .....	W M	Wilson, E A .....	Secretary
Trask, Stetson .....	S W	Barr, John M .....	S D
Jones, John W .....	J W	Hargrove, P H L .....	J D
Lewis, Wm .....	Treasurer	Everett, R B .....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Butler, W C	Hargrove, J M	Pool, W A
Blakemore, P M	Hamilton, F	Rogers, M
Barnes, Wm	Jones, R B	Robinson, J
Carlisle, B S	Jamison, H	Robinson, W S
Coon, J A	Knight, N P	Ryan, J R
Clark, J H	Kidd, M B	Smith, H T
Clark, M G	Kennedy, D H	Sexton, W W
Coplin, J	Kennedy, J A	Smith, J M
Childs, M A	Murphy, Wm	Smith, A
Denning, Y T	McDonald, W B	Thompson, D R
Davis, R E	Miles, J A	Upchurch, T G
Defreese, B L	McVicker, D	Veale, J H
Embry, J M	McLeroy, T W	Warren, W B
Finley, J M	McBride, W	Wilson, T F
Graves, B B	Parker, J L	Williams, W
Glass, Thos	Prestridge, J J	Womack, A
Hart, S E	Perry, J P	
Herlong, C A C	Pierson, J C	Total—60.

*Initiated*—M. G. Clark; W. W. Sexton; J. V. Morris; D. R. Thompson.

*Passed*—M. G. Clark; W. W. Sexton; J. H. Veale; D. R. Thompson.

*Raised*—M. G. Clark; W. W. Sexton; J. H. Veale; D. R. Thompson.

*Affiliated*—P. M. Blakemore; B. S. Carlisle; R. E. Davis; J. M. Finley; C. A. C. Herlong; W. B. Warren; Y. T. Denning; N. P. Knight.

## FRANKLIN LODGE, No. 57.

*Franklin, Parish of St. Mary, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Smith, H H .....	W M	Smith, C M .....	Secretary
Gordy, M T .....	S W	Levy, F U .....	S D
Godchaux, D .....	J W	Mayer, M .....	J D
McKerall, Wilson ....	Treasurer	Black, J H .....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allen, Shakspeare	Hawthorne, A	Pumphrey, O L
Allen, Elihu	Henderson, J P	Smith, J A
Constant, E D	Hungerford, Wm	Smith, Wm C
Curtis, L R	Hudgens, H H	Stansbury, H
Fuller, E W	Harding, Lyman	Smoot, B F
Fuller, John	Jones, Thos	Saunders, E E
Fourmy, J V	Lacy, J E	Stanard, H C
Fontaine, J T	Loeb, S	Steinmitz, A
Garrett, M A	Millard, N P	Tucuo, M
Gordy, J C	Meslier, E	Tucker, A L
Hatcher, R	Olivier, A	Wilson, H C
Hawkins, J T	Palfrey, F C	Wilson, Chas
Total—44.		

*Initiated*—James H. Black; Jno. Fuller; J. Balter; G. Kreiger; F. H. Navarre; C. Robert.

*Passed*—James H. Black; Jno. Fuller; G. Kreiger; C. Robert.

*Raised*—James H. Black; Jno. Fuller; S. Loeb.

*Demitted*—Wm. C. Smith.

## FRIENDS OF HARMONY LODGE, No. 58.

*Grand Lodge, Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets, N. O.*

## OFFICERS.

Harby, Sam'l.....	W M	DeSola, A.....	Secretary
Clark, J H.....	S W	Selleck, J R S.....	S D
DeCastro, J O.....	J W	Wieman, J M.....	J D
Williams, Henry.....	Treasurer	Trelford, Wm.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Adler, E	Gracey, R B	Morris, S
Ackley, A S	Gardenghi, L	Moore, D
Austin, C W	Goudie, G T	Morett, John
Burk, R S	Gomila, John	Nathan, Sam'l
Bradsted, C D S	Gay, S	Nicoll, D
Bates, J G	Gomila, M J	Nielson, G W
Bowers, L	Gomperts, G S	Ochiglevich, John
Booth, Edward	Gainsburg, J B	O'Grady, J H
Brennan, John	Hart, F W	Ogelvie, Chas
Bowditch, G B	Holland, J H	O'Regan, T J
Bowden, A	Hernandez, A	Quirk, Edward

Brux, Chas	Hyland, L	Rickert, F
Bairnsfather, G	Howes, R	Rhoades, R
Baker, A B	Holland, W H	Royal, Chas
Charier, A	Hiley, T R	Rickers, F H
Cognovich, A	Hirsh, M	Stevenson, W W
Coburn, R	Houson, John	Solomon, L J
Cortissoz, A J	Hougham, John	Smith, T R
Carter, Henry	Higgins, H	Smith, R D
Charnock, G	Hirsch, Abram	Smith, J C
Crampon, C	Jorda, Thos	Shwartz, I
Cowan, John	Kean, R W	Stidger, R R
De la Cruz, R	Keaghey, R S	Stern, Louis
Dean, John	Kells, C E	Sternklar, B
Dias, A H L	Kraft, F A	Trelford, A
DaSilva, B	Kaufman, S	Trelford, W J
Dreyfus, J	Leech, Jos	Thackery, R
Dreyfus, B	Lang, E	Turner, R C
Ellsworth, N K	Laurent, A P	Thomas, John
Forshee, Peter	Lockwood, J B	Thisted, N P
Fielding, T R	Minieri, G	Wilner, J C
Fowler, John	McQuoid, Jas	Wilbur, Lewis
Fendler, E	Mayer, Leon	Wickert, Simon
Frank, Leon	Moody, Robt	Wallace, James
Gowan, G B	Moore, Wm	Wheeler, C
Goslenski, G	Moschizisker, F A	Young, Christian
Gale, James	Myers, John	
Gilmore, J S	Marks, H	
		Total—120.

*Initiated*—G. Bairnsfather; A. B. Baker; John Cowan; J. Dreyfus; N. K. Ellsworth; Leon Frank; John Hougham; H. Higgins; Abram Hirsch; John Morett; T. J. O'Regan; R. R. Stidger; J. R. S. Selleck; Louis Stern; J. M. Wieman; J. S. Marsh; W. H. Riddle; Hugh Stewart; John Zittlosson.

*Passed*—C. W. Austin; G. Bairnsfather; A. B. Baker; John Cowan; B. Dreyfus; J. Dreyfus; N. K. Ellsworth; Leon Frank; John Hougham; H. Higgins; Abram Hirsch; John Morett; T. J. O'Regan; F. H. Rickers; R. R. Stidger; J. R. S. Selleck; Louis Stern; B. Sternklar; J. M. Wieman; W. A. Patton.

*Raised*—A. S. Ackley; C. W. Austin; G. Bairnsfather; A. B. Baker; John Cowan; B. Dreyfus; J. Dreyfus; N. K. Ellsworth; Leon Frank; John Hougham; H. Higgins; Abram Hirsch; John Morett; T. J. O'Regan; F. H. Rickers; R. R. Stidger; J. R. S. Selleck; Louis Stern; B. Sternklar; C. Wheeler; J. M. Wieman.

*Affiliated*—D. Moore; Jas. Wallace.

*Demitted*—A. Bowden; Henry Carter; H. Higgins; R. C. Turner.

*Died*—G. B. Bowditch; John Dean; A. Hernandez; John Thomas; N. P. Thisted.

*Stricken from the Roll*—G. T. Gondie; R. W. Kean; W. W. Stevenson.

## MOUNT MORIAH LODGE, No. 59.

*Odd Fellows' Hall, corner of Camp and Lafayette streets, N. O.*

## OFFICERS.

Nicol, Walter .....	W M	Furneaux, James.....	Secretary
Anderson, John.....	S W	McGuigin, P.....	S D
Black, John W.....	J W	Jacobs E.....	J D
McCulloch, Wm....	Treasurer	Monson, Peter.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Albro, J W	Graham, George	O'Leary, M
Bier, Henry	Guthiem, J K	O'Dowd, A
Baldry, S	Gubernator, J L	Payson, A
Baldwin, J T	Gagnet, L	Pasley, John
Boulware, A	Gilmore, W T	Pendleton, W
Boole, T	Gilmore, J B	Purvis, Geo
Benson, George	Garnet, E	Pooley, J C
Beebe, D	Gilman, S H	Pray, A A
Boyle, J W	Graw, A	Powers, James
Bensaden, Jos	Gillum, H	Prague, J B
Behan, J H	Gray, J W	Phillips, J A
Booth, John	Grijalva, C G de	Pendleton, E
Barrera, A	Harris, J L	Phillips, J N
Bonzano, H	Hunley, H L	Rose, J C
Bleyman, C	Howell, J M	Race, G W
Byington, F	Hodgkins, W F	Rutherford, C M
Barlow, H M	Hawes, Sam'l	Richards, W T
Bragg, T F	Hobson, John	Ross, E M
Bennett, B T K	Heron, A C	Roquest, E H
Bauduc, F J	Hackney, N J	Roberts, U C
Blakeney, W	Hibben, James	Roberts, A C
Bidwell, H	Hans, M	Redding, W E
Bosworth, W	Hill, W P	Rutherford, G V
Butler, E S	Hatch, F H	Rogers, C J
Baker, J	Hildreth, J	Rosenfield, L
Burns, J	Heald, J	Rainey, H H
Barnes, E W	Hinton, I T	Richmond, E D
Biglioni, C	Hadley, F	Richter, A F
Belknap, S E	Haase, C	Rust, J F
Berry, S A	Hendricks, J T	Robertson, J H
Bedford, W D G	Ingraham, F	Rollins, A
Boné, F	Jackson, A O	Stanley, H H
Cheesborough, J B	Jones, A	Shields, T H
Collins, J K	James, W A	Shaw, G W
Cohen, Bernard	Jacobs, Isaac	Sheppard, Joseph
Chase, C H	Jacobshagen, G	Stewart, W
Carey, R	Janvier, C A	Sullivan, Thos
Chism, George	Knapp, F H	Sinclair, J
Cook, W B	Kinchin, A W	Storer, C A

Chevalier, E	Knight, A G	Slemmer, J
Clough, James	Kelly, Wm	Sprague, S
Carvin, M	Little, Robt	Stockton, J T
Crane, C P	Luhman, W	Sprague, J K
Cullen, James	Laughlin, T O	Smith, R N
Corson, J J	Lugenbuhl, J J	Sanford, A W
Cardella, R F	Lynes, J	Sanford, Theo
Christie, J	Lee, W D	Stith, Gerard
Canfield, L A	Larbalestier, J	Stephens, T A
Carlin, James	Lurges, F	Spearing, E F
Campbell, B	Lincoln, J W	Shiff, H
Cripps, Thos	Liddell, Chas	Stewart, David
Clark, John	McIntosh, W K	Smith, W P
Correjolles, F G	Michell, S C	Sutherly, J K
Clapp, L W	McCulloch, J	Slatterly, J
Dodd, J W	Murray, Thos	Slater, J E
Donaghue, W H	McLelland, W	Towne, A
Dunlap, J G	Morhouse, J	Taylor, J L
Davis, James	Morse, R S	Titus, L J
Dows, J L	McMasters, W	Tucker, G J
Douglas, John	Marr, G W H	Van Slooten, J
Dobrilovich, A	Mortimer, C E	Vass, R C
Drinkwater, J W	Miltenberger, C A	Van Houton, J
Delesdernier, F W	Moore, J H	Wood, A
Donnella, O J	Menzies, Jas	Warner, J L
Duke, R W	Mayer, H	Wolff, J
Durand, Nelson	Milliken, M J	Wilson, W C
Emerson, C M	Magee, P	Watts, J T
Estlin, R W	McBurney, Thos	Wells, Wm
Eckert, J H	Mackin, P W	Winslow, M
Ewing, Wm	Merrill, H A	Watts, W C
Ewing, Wm, Jr	Murdy, J H	Weems, A W
Ewing, C W	Maes, C H	Watson, J C
Fuller, J D	Murison, K B	Wilcy, E W
Farwell, C A	Maybin, W	Waterman, W
Fowler, D H	McCaffrey, M	Westerburg, J B
Fonts, J S	McDuffie, H E	Wang, Fred
Flanders, W E	Nichols, J	Wang, Augustus
Forno, Henry	Nye, Albert	Wren, Wm
Farnsworth, H J	Nessin, P C	Total—244.

*Initiated*—J. W. Albro; Jno. Clark; C. Haase; C. A. Janvier; Chas. Liddell; M. McCaffrey; J. N. Phillips; J. F. Rust; J. H. Robertson; D. Stewart; J. Slatterly; J. E. Slater; Fred. Wang; Augustus Wang; W. W. Ryan; Hugh Sheridan; F. C. Cross; J. H. Huard; Charles Florat; L. Halburn; H. Mitchell; J. T. Sibley; G. Ronaldo; G. C. Miller; H. Basher.

*Passed*—J. W. Albro; Jno. Clark; F. G. Correjolles; C. Haase; C. A. Janvier; Chas. Liddell; M. McCaffrey; J. N. Phillips; J. F. Rust; J. H. Robertson; D. Stewart; J. Slatterly; J. E. Slater; Fred. Wang; Augustus Wang; W. W. Ryan; Hugh Sheridan.

*Raised*—J. W. Albro; Jno. Clark; F. G. Correjolles; C. Haase; C. A. Janvier; Chas. Liddell; M. McCaffrey; J. N. Phillips; J. F. Rust; J. H. Robertson; D. Stewart; J. Slatterly; J. E. Slater; Fred. Wang; Augustus Wang.

*Affiliated*—L. W. Clapp; H. Forno; H. J. Farnsworth; F. Hadley; J. T. Hendricks; E. Jacobs; H. E. McDuffie; W. P. Smith; J. K. Sutherly; G. J. Tucker.

*Demitted*—H. Bonzano; W. Ewing, Jr.; J. W. Gray; S. Sprague; A. W. Sanford; Theo. Sanford; E. W. Wiley.

*Died*—L. W. Clapp; J. D. Fuller; W. K. McIntosh; J. H. Moore; J. H. Murdy; U. C. Roberts; Geo. W. Shaw.

*Suspended*—F. Ingraham.

## WESTERN STAR LODGE, No. 61.

*Monroe, Ouachita Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

McGuire, Joseph F.....	W M	McGuire, Rev J A....	Chaplain
Shields, L A .....	S W	Hoffman, Joseph.....	S D
Wentzell, John.....	J W	Ezelius, Peter.....	J D
McCormick, F L.....	Treasurer	Jones, O.....	} Stewards
McGuire, John A.....	Secretary	Mitchell, J H.....	
Stevens, C S.....		Tyler	

### MEMBERS.

Baker, W J Q	Gerson, Jr., H	Phillips, T W
Bozeman, S	Holt, D M	Parker, J W
Benton, T O	Hasley, David	Richardson, R W
Crane, Edmund	Hughes, Wm	Rogers, W H
Churchill, Albert	Hinson, Andrew	Roane, E H
Coleman, George W	Jones, F C	Richardson, J G
Dabbs, C H	King, G	Sanford, A W
Delery, Charles	Kinney, J E	Stubbs, F P
DeLaunay, F L	McGuire, R F	Stewart, J M
Essick, George	McEnery, J D	Scarborough, J F
Faulk, David	Marshall, W E	Slack, S L
Fenner, John F	McQuiller, D	Willson, R J
Floyd, James L	Naughton, Thomas	Wisenor, M H
Garrett, Isaiah	Pierce, Neill U	Yongue, Hugh
		Total—52.

*Initiated*—Peter Ezelius; G. A. Puckett.

*Passed*—Peter Ezelius; G. A. Puckett.

*Raised*—Peter Ezelius; J. W. Parker.

*Affiliated*—T. O. Benton; G. W. Coleman; A. Hinson; F. C. Jones; L. A. Shields.

*Demitted*—D. M. Holt.

*Died*—Thomas W. Phillips.

## TUNICA LODGE, No. 63.

*Tunica Landing, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Hobgood, H. ....	W M	Cox, W T. ....	Secretary
Day, R. ....	S W	Doherty, S C. ....	S D
Seeders, J J. ....	J W	Row, J S. ....	J D
Keller, W B. ....	Treasurer	Martin, W J. ....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Brown, Asa	Hicks, J B	Miles, Benj
Burgess, G W	Leatherman, D	Quine, R W
Curry, G A	Lewis, Thos H	Rodney, W O
Craft, R L	Lawson, D	Smith, James
Day, M P	Martin, L H	Sullivan, Warren
Dawson, W H	Martin, T B	Ward, T C
Dorman, Perry	McElwce, J C	White, W B
		Total—29.

*Demitted*—Thos. H. Lewis; L. H. Martin.

## GEORGE WASHINGTON LODGE, No. 65.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets, N. O.*

### OFFICERS.

Sontag, Gustavus. ....	W M	Scot, James B. ....	Secretary
Dick, A E. ....	S W	Taylor, Francis. ....	S D
Davis, Warren. ....	J W	Hamburger, H. ....	J D
Steffens, Wm. ....	Treasurer	Cline, Wm. ....	Tyler



## MEMBERS.

Allenet, T	Freeland, Thos	McPhelan, C
Ankrim, P	Fulton, S H	Neely, W M
Bell, W O	Forbes, Gifford	Neyland, J S
Benedickt, N	Galpin, John	Nixon, James
Bidwell, D	Gilmore, J D	Ott, George
Biquenet, John	Graner, A	Pike, John R
Bleakley, George	Graner, John	Quayle, John
Boswell, T C	Greenfield, Thomas	Raymond, Chas
Bothick, T W	Grissam, C W	Reddington, W A
Boulet, Alex	Haney, Thos	Reeve, J M
Bowers, G V	Harris, John B	Reynaud, H S
Brady, T R	Hedges, C S	Ricardo, D I
Brand, R A	Hyland, James	Risk, Sam'l G
Buckholtz, A P	Isaard, Smith	Sandak, Jacob
Carter, J H	Isenhouer, J E	Shields, John
Cassidy, Hugh	James, W H	Sill, John R
Christian, P J	Jardet, P E	Simpson, D F
Clark, J D	Johnson, W K	Smith, Mark
Costanzi, F E	Johnston, J W	Stewart, Chas S
Covert, A M	Jones, Richard	Stewart, Chas A
Crary, J W	Knight, W R	Summers, H M
Cutter, B L	Kowalski, B	Swasey, H R
Cunningham, John	Küchler, C	Templeton, W C
Dias, E	Kuhnholz, F J	Tenney, J H
Dick, T W	Kyes, John B	Thomasson, C
Dickson, J R	Lawrence, R B	Verdon, J H
Dirmeyer, G W	Levy, Alex	Warnke, John
Donniker, J B	Marshall, F	Walker, Chas
Duffy, Joseph	Matthews, T L	Watkins, J A
Elliott, J N	Mayfield, J M	Weaver, G J
Evans, Geo P	Milliken, Richard	West, Joseph
Evans, Chas E	McClure, J E	White, C W
Farrell, M J	McConnell, J B	Wilbur, A C
Fenner, Robt	McDougall, A	Wilson, W A
Floratt, Jules A	McLary, John	Wingard, J C
Ford, Charles	McLaughlin, John	Wood, David
Foute, M A	McMillen, Wm	Total—118.

*Initiated*—John Cunningham; Jas. Hyland; F. Taylor; John H. Verdon; M. Carter; John King.

*Passed*—John Cunningham; Warren Davis; Jas. Hyland; F. Taylor; John H. Verdon; Jas. P. Tank.

*Raised*—John Cunningham; Warren Davis; Jas. Hyland; F. Taylor; John H. Verdon.

*Affiliated*—Gifford Forbes; Richard Jones.

*Demitted*—G. V. Bowers; T. L. Matthews.

*Died*—R. A. Brand; T. W. Dick; J. D. Gilmore; F. Marshall; John McLary; John R. Sill; M. Carter (E. A.)

*Stricken from the Roll*—F. E. Costanzi; J. W. Crary; Robt. Fener; W. H. James; John B. Kyes; John McLary.

*Suspended*—J. R. Dickson (six months); Geo. Bleakley (twelve months); A. McDougall (indefinitely).

### DUDLEY LODGE, No. 66.

*Grand Lodge Hall, corner of St. Charles and Perdido streets, N. O.*

#### OFFICERS.

Stewart, Wm H.....	W M	Shearer, J W.....	Secretary
Guillet, S I.....	S W	Moore, R L.....	S D
Hall, H F.....	J W	Robinson, H E.....	J D
Van Horn, T D.....	Treasurer	Scot, Jas B (not a member).....	Tyler

#### MEMBERS.

Adams, Lucien	Glenn, Archibald	Power, Dyas
Adams, R W	Glenn, J W	Sturgeon, John
Abernathy, W M	Germain, H S	Shumway, Sam'l
Beebe, Henry	Hall, J W	Siers, R P
Beauvais, W S	Heuchert, H	Snodgrass, Sam'l
Burke, D H	Hopper, T J	Scott, W T
Benedict, N B	Ivens, E M	Sullivan, Mich'l
Buhler, J R	Jacobs, T N	Shubert, F
Blum, Jacob	Johnson, D C	Smith, Jacob
Barr, Jas A	Klopman, L	Sabine, C S
Brown, R S	Lemon, R	Sharp, C S
Crenshaw, H M	Lowe, B M, Jr	Stanlig, Peter
Coleman, W P	Langhorne, M	Seymour, Shelby
Cook, W B	Marks, Edwin	Schwieringer, Jacob
Cobb, J B	Marks, Theo	Seixas, C L
Cohn, Solomon	McHaffy, A J	Simmons, F
Cooper, Wm	Montgomery, R M	Thompson, W J
Chesley, C G	Marshall, C E	Tarbell, B
Diamond, C V	McDonald, J R	Taber, H H
Dobbins, S D	Murray, W A B	Tomlin, H
Davis, M G	Marsden, T W	Turner, T S
Dickinson, A G	McRay, W V	Thomas, A
Estlin, C T	McKleroy, J	Wells, W F
Edwards, A L	Newcomer, T C	Whan, Wm Jr
Friedlander, S	Orvis, D A	Withers, A S
Gennisson, J H	Purviance, W T	Watt, J M
Gladden, A H	Pendergrast, L	White, J M
		Total—88.

*Initiated*—J. McKleroy; T. C. Newcomer; D. A. Orvis; J. W. Shearer; C. L. Seixas; John Bevan; J. H. Burton; J. W. Dennett; C. Engleman; S. W. Robinson; Thos. Ryan; P. H. Taylor; D. H. Todd.

*Passed*—J. McKleroy; T. C. Newcomer; D. A. Orvis; J. W. Shearer; C. L. Seixas; A. Thomas; Edward Allen.

*Raised*—J. McKleroy; T. C. Newcomer; D. A. Orvis; J. W. Shearer; C. L. Seixas; A. Thomas.

*Affiliated*—R. S. Brown; F. Simmons.

*Demitted*—A. H. Gladden; J. R. McDonald; J. Sturgeon; C. S. Sabine.

*Died*—A. J. McHaffy; W. F. Wells; E. V. Marott (E. A.)

*Stricken from the Roll*—W. S. Beauvais; S. D. Dobbins; W. V. McRary; F. Shubert.

*Reinstated*—Jacob Schweiringer.

## MARION LODGE, No. 68.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets, N. O.*

### OFFICERS.

Scruggs, D E.....	W M	Browne, R H.....	Secretary
Jackson, Joshua .....	S W	Robinson, N T N.....	S D
Horner, J P.....	J W	Bain, George.....	J D
Hill, Artemon .....	Treasurer	Scot, Jas B (not a member).....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Anderson, P F	Harrison, D	Pennington, S F
Angel, R	Harvey, G S J	Perkins, Wm M
Beebe, W J	Hedges, T F	Place, L H
Beers, A P	Herrick, S S	Powell, A J
Beers, Jr, J S	Hewitt, W H	Price, Pere
Bein, Richard	Hodges, Henry	Raphael, A J
Benson, Josh	Horner, C W	Reynolds, H W
Blessey, E	Howell, R K	Reynolds, L E
Boiron, J B	Hufty, Joseph	Rickarby, W D
Bowman, John	James, T A	Riggin, J H
Buckley, H P	Keeffe, Thomas	Riordan, M
Callow, William	Kendall, W G	Robertson, J B
Christian, R J	Killili, C	Robinson, H M
Claiborne, John	Lane, L N	Rondeau, W H
Clack, Moses	Lee, John M	Samuels, M H
Coeler, F W	Levy, J H	Saunders, J W
Colton, D E	Lindsay, James	Schmidt, Charles

Cornell, G P	Logan, D D	Shaw, Jr, Frank
Craig, E D	Logan, J G	Simonds, J S
Cresap, H B	Louderbough, M	Stevenson, J A
Daniel, J J	Ludwigsen, F L K	Strenna, John
Dannese, N	Ludwigsen, J H	Swan, J L
Davis, M	Macon, T L	Talbot, R
De Choiseul, C	Mayer, Louis	Taylor, R G
Dorsey, O	McMurdo, C	Terrell, W H
Dentzel, H H	Mesritz, B O	Timmins, W E
Fellows, J Q A	Middlemiss, P R	Todd, Sam'l M
Ferguson, Alexander	Moodie, James	Watson, R
Ferguson, S G	Nash, C T	Wilkins, A A
Flemming, W A	Newton, C W	Williams, F W
Freeman, W J	Norcom, W R	Williamson, N
Gaudet, F B	Noyes, O J	Wilson, E H
Goodwyn, G W W	Oliver, R	Wilson, James
Green, A P	Page, J F	Wolters, Cornelius
Greenleaf, H L	Paxton, W H	Zunts, M J
Halsey, E W	Pect, George A	Total—114.

*Initiated*—Alexander Ferguson; F. B. Gaudet; J. F. Page; R. G. Taylor; J. V. Webb; M. B. Miller; John Dwyer; Levy Nathans; J. P. Horner.

*Passed*—Alexander Ferguson; F. B. Gaudet; T. A. James; J. H. Levy; J. F. Page; R. G. Taylor; John Dwyer; Levy Nathans; J. P. Horner.

*Raised*—Alexander Ferguson; F. B. Gaudet; T. A. James; J. H. Levy; J. F. Page; J. W. Saunders; R. G. Taylor; J. P. Horner.

*Affiliated*—J. B. Boiron; Wm. Callou; R. J. Christian; C. De-Choiseul; S. S. Herrick; R. K. Howell; T. A. James (E. A.); L. N. Lane; J. H. Levy (E. A.); C. W. Newton; L. H. Place; A. J. Powell; M. H. Samuels; M. J. Zunts; George Millard (E. A.).

*Died*—Joseph Benson; J. B. Boiron; H. L. Greenleaf; J. H. Riggin.

*Reinstated*—F. L. K. Ludwigsen.

## HIRAM LODGE, No. 70.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets, N. O.*

### OFFICERS.

Carroll, Timothy.....	W M	Brady, J M C.....	Secretary
Diamond, R E.....	S W	McKenzie, Robt.....	S D
Pincus, Joseph.....	J W	Connell, J T.....	J D
Davis, Wm.....	Treasurer	Wells, Erastus.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Boehler, J A	Henningesen, J H	Maire, Alfred
Bowen, O F	Hardie, C L	Medd, James
Baynham, Wm	Hunt, R R	McGuire, P J
Breeden, Mark	Hunt, Edward	Newcomb, W W
Bryant, G W	Heidengsfelder, E	Rumsey, H R
Berger, J	Johnson, J T	Robertson, A R
Black, Chas	Kavanagh, P	Ross, A J
Clelland, Wm	Kaiser, S	Rayburn, Wm
Caulfield, Jno	Kalberlah, Wm	Rogers, A S
Cruice, Henry	Kellett, John	Schwerin, Simon
Carraher, P	Levy, Henry	Stern, Henry
Darroch, D	Labarth, J J	Stern, Myer
Everett, H C	Lamont, Wm	Solomon, S P
Evans, Wm	Ludlow, John	Turner, T B
Ellsworth, O	Mitchell, M	Tighe, D R
Guthrie, Jas	McConnell, M	Turck, J P
Gardner, S	Meagher, E	Willis, John
Grady, M J	McKewn, Chas	Wardle, J R
Gahan, M	Moreau, B	Wild, Wm
Hill, James	McNamara, R	Whitworth, J J
Haislet, Joseph		Total—69.

*Initiated*—H. Cruice; P. Carraher; Wm. Evans; O. Ellsworth; W. Kalberlah; John Kellett; John Ludlow; Myer Stern; J. P. Turck; J. A. Babcock; J. Tushingham; A. B. Lewis; Thos. Hickey; Wm. Nagle; Dan'l Kelly; Sam'l Laycock.

*Passed*—H. Cruice; P. Carraher; Wm. Evans; O. Ellsworth; W. Kalberlah; John Kellett; John Ludlow; Myer Stern; J. P. Turck; J. A. Babcock.

*Raised*—Chas. Black; H. Cruice; P. Carraher; Wm. Evans; O. Ellsworth; W. Kalberlah; John Kellett; John Ludlow; Myer Stern; J. P. Turck; Dan'l Darroch.

*Affiliated*—J. H. Henningesen.

*Demitted*—Jas. Hill; Joseph Haislet; Henry Levy.

*Reinstated*—M. McConnell.

## ALPHA HOME LODGE, No. 72.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner of St. Charles and Perdido streets, N. O.*

## OFFICERS.

Batchelor, J C.....	W M	Bateman, C.....	Secretary
Bishop, S L.....	S W	Douglas, J A.....	S D
Stanley, R W.....	J W	Crane, A.....	J D
Williams, W L.....	Treasurer	Scot, J B (not a member).....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Anderson, John	Heiner, Jacob	Olsen, F
Batchelor, S S	Hilbert, Thos	Payne, C B
Burt, David	Harris, J C	Place, Henry
Beattie, Wm	Hutchings, W H	Phillips, A
Barrett, J T	Hayes, G B	Perrett, P C
Bevan, George	Huckins, J H	Pettingill, W S
Bogel, W	Hill, John	Richards, F
Benedict, P	Jacques, J A	Reynolds, H W W
Bockins, J M	King, Geo	Roca, F
Barry, D	Knight, G F	Ruckert, J T
Barrett, H W	Kent, James	Savage, R D
Beard, C	Krautz, J F	Simpson, Geo
Barnie, C S	Kerr, E M	Smith, S B
Crofton, Robert	Lamm, Thos	Smith, C C
Clarke, Frank	Lampton, W	Strong, Henry
Cotton, J A	Levy, L	Selleck, S S
Chapsky, A	Michel, J J	Shine, J E
Campbell, C C	McNeil, D	Sweeney, Jas
Drews, W	Melville, W	Trabue, L
Dentzel, F A	Motzen, A	Thienemann, A
Davis, C H	Mitchell, D F	Taylor, J C
Donald, S	Maguire, J W	Turck, J R
Glenmon, R	Mancosas, P F	Weight, Chas
Gensler, S	McGregor, W	Whipple, J B
Hilger, C L	McCoy, Hugh	Walker, J S
Hoffman, Jas	Oppenheim, B	Williamson, A C

Total—85.

*Initiated*—A. Crane (1859); C. C. Smith; David Bruce; G. T. Bate-man; H. Greger; A. N. Murtagh; J. S. Smith; B. Huff; R. Burk; P. H. Hauglin.

*Passed*—A. Crane; Frank Clarke; Thos. Hilbert; A. Motzen; A. Phillips; C. C. Smith; H. Greger; P. H. Hauglin.

*Raised*—A. Crane; Frank Clarke; Thos. Hilbert; A. Motzen; A. Phillips; C. C. Smith.

*Affiliated*—F. A. Dentzel (1859); J. E. Shine; J. B. Whipple.

*Demitted*—W. Bogel; H. W. Barrett; C. Beard; Frank Clarke; F. A. Dentzel; C. L. Hilger; L. Levy; W. Melville; W. McGregor; J. R. Turck; J. S. Walker.

*Demitted in 1859*—Hugh McNeill; Alex. McNeill.

*Died*—J. A. Cotton; J. B. Whipple.

*Stricken from the Roll*—David Burt; C. S. Barnie; John Hill; B. Oppenheim; J. T. Ruckert; L. Trabue; A. C. Williamson; I. D. Stamps (1859); Jas. Hoffman.

## SABINE LODGE, No. 75.

*Fort Jessup, Sabine Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Beck, Charles .....	W M	Rains, Geo P.....	Secretary
Barbee, Lesley.....	S W	Forbes, Robt .....	S D
Dove, Jasper .....	J W	Stoker, Riley.....	J D
Harris, John .....	Treasurer	Litton, John .....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Armstrong, J C	Carnes, R S	Royston, C C
Barnhill, W Y	Dove, Simeon	Stephens, L E
Biles, Eli	Gilmore, G F	Stoker, Wm
Britt, P M	Harris, R J	Thompson, M B
Curtis, Harvey	Kennedy, H S	Tynes, Henry
Crapoo, Joseph	Munson, G	Welch, H P
Carter, H	Martin, J H	Walker, J W
Crump, S M	Martin, Josiah	Wagley, J F
Canado, Hugh	Royston, R F	Wiley, Thos
Conway, John	Royston, S	Winn, Ira
Total—38.		

*Initiated*—Eli Biles; H. Carter; S. M. Crump; Geo. P. Rains; Wm. Stoker; S. D. Crump; Wm. Wiley; Thos. Smithson.

*Passed*—W. Y. Barnhill; Eli Biles; Joseph Crapoo; H. Carter; S. M. Crump; Geo. P. Rains; Riley Stoker; Wm. Stoker; S. D. Crump; Wm. Wiley.

*Raised*—W. Y. Barnhill; Eli Biles; Joseph Crapoo; H. Carter; S. M. Crump; Geo. P. Rains; Riley Stoker; Wm. Stoker.

*Affiliated*—P. M. Britt.

*Demitted*—Henry Tynes.

*Died*—R. J. Harris.

## QUITMAN LODGE, No. 76.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets, N. O.*

## OFFICERS.

Seaman, Wm H.....	W M	Stansbury, H J.....	Secretary
Bartlette, T A.....	S W	Bakewell, L F.....	S D
Wood, J C .....	J W	Morgan, E W.....	J D
Herndon, T C.....	Treasurer	Wells, Erastus( <sup>not a</sup> <sub>member</sub> )....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Armistead, R C	Homan, Isaac W	Proctor, F F
Arnold, J F	Higgins, J P	Pierpont, A C
Ashbridge, A M	Hart, Archie	Peterson, A H M
Anthony, J M	Homan, Geo W	Patterson, J J
Bayly, G M	Harris, Micajah	Pfetzinger, Chas
Bloomfield, B	Hill, J T	Robinson, S B
Bloomfield, Wm Jr	Harris, T B	Roberts, R B
Bloomfield, J M	Haughery, Jas	Richey, G W
Beaman, G M	Haynes, W H	Scaring, T F
Blakeman, C H	Isaacson, A H	Silverstein, S
Bartlett, F A	Johnson, J L	Strawbridge, A B
Belcher, F	Jones, J H	Sears, T A
Carlton, J S	Jenkins, P M	Seton, Bethune
Clark, C W	Kouns, G L	Strawbridge, Jas
Cutler, W C	Kane, Richard	Soulé, George
Churchill, C H	Knight, John	Summers, John
Dix, E H	Keep, O H	Summers, A M
Dickey, N L	Lyons, G H	Saunders, J H
Davenport, Isom	Langdon, J W	Stewart, W F
Dirrhammer, J M	Langsfield, J H	Smith, J W
Dixon, J K	Larsen, Hosea	Tenbrink, Wm
Duffy, Thos	Marks, D H	Taylor, W J
Field, Seth R	Myers, Sam'l	Thiel, W
Frank, Simon	Mohr, P W	Tritt, E W
French, G P	McDonald, John	Thompson, P H
Folwell, J M	Maxwell, T L	Voigt, J A
Fisk, H L	Moore, J W	Venables, R S
Gibbs, Wilmot	March, Henry	Waters, M H
Graetz, Isaac	Mackay, W H	Wingfield, J H
Giffin, Wm B	Martin, H J	Williams, J L
Hanning, John	Offergeld, A	Wright, Thos
Hall, E A	Peyton, T W	Wilkinson, Geo
Holt, Geo W	Palmer, S T	Total—105.

*Initiated*—L. F. Bakewell; Thos. Duffy; W. B. Giffen; J. Haughery; P. M. Jenkins; W. H. Mackay; J. W. Smith; R. S. Venables; Thos. Wright; Jas. E. Lee; J. M. Schwartz; S. W. Clayton; T. L. Malone; W. H. Young.

*Passed*—L. F. Bakewell; Thos. Duffy; J. M. Folwell; W. B. Giffen; T. B. Harris; J. Haughery; P. M. Jenkins; W. H. Mackay; J. W. Smith; R. S. Venables; Thos. Wright; Jas. E. Lee; W. L. Stansbury; J. M. Schwartz.

*Raised*—L. F. Bakewell; Thos. Duffy; G. P. French; J. M. Folwell; W. B. Giffen; T. B. Harris; J. Haughery; P. M. Jenkins; J. W. Moore; W. H. Mackay; H. J. Martin; J. W. Smith; R. S. Venables; Thos. Wright.

*Affiliated*—J. M. Anthony; F. Belcher; H. L. Fisk; G. L. Kouns;



H. March; A. M. Summers; J. H. Saunders; W. F. Stewart; P. H. Thompson; Geo. Wilkinson.

*Demitted*—Wilmot Gibbs; Micajah Harris; W. H. Haynes.

*Died*—C. H. Blakeman; A. B. Strawbridge.

## MOUNT MORIAH LODGE, No. 77.

*Port Hudson, East Feliciana, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Troth, R W.....	W M	Fuqua, J W.....	Secretary
Bloom, L.....	S W	Sanders, J G.....	S D
Griffith, J C.....	J W	Chiek, R.....	J D
Flenacher, J.....	Treasurer	Kulm, S.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Atkinson, L G	Gibbons, J H	Marsh, M
Argo, John C	Haynes, H H	McCauly, L P
Caldwell, J C	Harbour, P J	Northern, T H
Cain, D P	Huston, Eli F	Purnell, G W
Carter, A G	Hunt, D W D	Richardson, Wm
Chisholm, J R	Kendrick, G Z	Raby, S H
Godbold, G P	Munson, Robert	Sewell, C T
		Total—29.

*Initiated*—J. Z. Kendrick.

*Passed*—J. Z. Kendrick.

*Raised*—J. Z. Kendrick.

*Died*—H. H. Haynes; P. J. Harbour.

## ORLEANS LODGE, No. 78.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets, N. O.*

### OFFICERS.

Churchill, S B.....	W M	Merrifield, H C.....	Secretary
Huff, C F.....	S W	Queant, A.....	S D
Hunter, D.....	J W	Winslow, Jno M.....	J D
Prophet, Ed.....	Treasurer	Wolf, B J.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allabough, J R	Holmes, Wm H	Pomiet, G G
Bruenn, Z	Hooper, George	Pridham, N C
Berwin, M	Hoge, E	Rieber, T
Bevan, George	Huggins, Z J	Rodgers, J
Brewster, B S	Jonte, C V	Roth, Jacob
Bridges, C C	Kelly, S L	Rosenburgh, N
Briggs, N C	Kohler, F	Ray, John
Cain, L B	Kearney, J F	Rivas, H H
Chellett, Joseph	Kaiser, L	Salomon, E
Collins, L E	Langenbecker, C	Stewart, J C
Crocker, J B	Lewis, C D	Stevenson, R
Dick, J F	Morton, J F	Soellner, J A
Dolsen, C L	McKee, John	Smith, Wm
Dommand, A	Monroe, J T	Thomas, G W
Daily, J R	Maillot, J	Thompson, James
Frisby, S H A	Mitchell, E P	Watson, J C
Fenkel, B	Meyerdiecks, F	Weston, W D
Fernon, Jas	Moreira, J P	Ward, John
Fleming, W A	Nimick, J	Walsh, James
Gould, J	Newman, C	White, Samuel, Jr
Goodrich, H	Panson, M	Wood, Elias
Heide, J L	Porter, J A	Wood, George
Holden, I S		Total—75.

*Initiated*—James Fernon; Z. J. Huggins; T. Rieber; J. B. Graham; John E. Tallon.

*Passed*—James Fernon; Z. J. Huggins; T. Rieber.

*Raised*—James Fernon; Z. J. Huggins; T. Rieber.

*Affiliated*—Wm. A. Fleming; Wm. H. Holmes.

*Demitted*—J. F. Dick; S. H. A. Frisby; E. Hoge; G. W. Thomas; P. Rosenthal (1859).

*Died*—F. Kohler; E. P. Mitchell; J. P. Moreira.

*Stricken from the Roll*—John McKee; N. C. Pridham.

*Expelled by the Grand Lodge*—Joseph Chellett.

## ST. JOSEPH LODGE, No. 79.

*St. Joseph, Tensas Parish, La.*

[No Returns.]

## DE WITT CLINTON LODGE, No. 80.\*

*Marion, Union Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Newton, Isaac.....	W M	Wallace, J B.....	Secretary
Whyte, J C.....	S W	Grisham, James .....	S D
Bilberry, J G.....	J W	Thompson, J R.....	J D
Loper, J J.....	Treasurer	Towns, R R.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Anders, John	Dufec, Geo	Thomas, B B
Brantley, T J	George, B F	Traylor, F M
Cooper, Hiram	George, Elias	Traylor, G W
Cooper, W D	Robinson, S L	Wallace, Wm
Cooper, C M	Robinson, M C	White, J A
Cooper, T S	Russell, J W	White, N T
Cooper, L		Total—27.

*Initiated*—T. J. Brantley; G. W. Traylor; J. R. Thompson; J. G. Traylor; G. N. Benson; S. E. Traylor.

*Passed*—T. J. Brantley; G. W. Traylor; J. R. Thompson; G. N. Benson; S. E. Traylor.

*Raised*—T. J. Brantley; G. W. Traylor; J. R. Thompson.

*Affiliated*—Jno. Anders; J. G. Bilberry; Wm. Wallace; J. C. Whyte.

*Died*—G. F. Benson (F. C.)

*Suspended*—Geo. Dufec.

## MOUNT VERNON LODGE, No. 83.

*Logansport, DeSoto Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Cuthbertson, John .....	W M	Coday, N B .....	Secretary
White, Joseph W .....	S W	—————	S D
Palmer, J M F .....	J W	—————	J D
Norris, John, Sr .....	Treasurer	—————	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Armor, G G	Douglas, G W	Pyles, James P
Adams, Joseph	Hickey, J L	Sinclair, J B
Baldwin, T B	Hickey, A B	Tharpe, G A
Booker, Enoch	Martin, J W	White, Wyley
Boyd, B E	Norris, John, Jr	Williams, James
Boyd, W H	Plunkett, A N	Total—22.

\* Received since closing of the Grand Lodge, and not reported on by Committee.

## OLIVER LODGE, No. 84.

*Alexandria, Rapides Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Hyman, W B.....	W M	Legras, Rosemond ...	Secretary
Clements, Thos.....	S W	Dammon, W O.....	S D
Cazabat, A.....	J W	Clifton, John .....	J D
Weil, Benj.....	Treasurer	Hilton, A ( <sup>not a</sup> <sub>member</sub> ).....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Abadie, Louis	Hitchborn, F P	Paul, M
Baillio, Landry	Irving, Jacob	Ridge, W S
Barrett, G W	Klotz, Henry	Shaw, D W
Barlow, J H C	Levy, Marks	Tindal, J A
Calvit, J A	Levy, Isaac	Williams, J R
Calvit, W N	Levin, Julius	Waul, E J
Calvit, C M	Lewis, John C	Weil, Edward
Cade, S M	Murray, R A	Wise, J C
Fulton, B F	Osborn, Henry	Walden, C H
Gossens, Louis	Ogden, O N	Westbrook, U
Gillespie, S		Total—38.

*Initiated*—R. A. Murray; J. A. Tindal; R. Crawford; M. A. Winebill; H. Gilbert; W. J. Cruikshanks; T. H. Lewis; W. T. Cummings; H. Robertson.

*Passed*—R. A. Murray; J. A. Tindal; R. Crawford; M. A. Winebill.

*Raised*—R. A. Murray; J. A. Tindal; J. R. Williams.

*Affiliated*—Marks Levy; Thos. Clements.

*Demitted*—S. M. Cade.

*Died*—S. Gillespie.

*Suspended*—Henry Klotz.

## LAFAYETTE LODGE, No. 87.

*Pattersonville, Parish of St. Mary, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Keyes, N.....	W M	Levy, Bernard.....	Secretary
Alexander, T S.....	S W	Reins, Wm M.....	S D
Wilcoxon, H H.....	J W	Ager, Wm.....	J D
Fleurot, O A.....	Treasurer	Como, Adrien.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Burnly, H	Jones, D W	Sanders, T S
Burgess, N	Knight, J	Sanders, S G
Berryman, J	Levy, B	Swain, M L
Cochran, J M	Leopold, Simon	Smith, W M
Duguy, A	Miller, J M	Wilcoxon, Thos
Galliet, A	Rawles, J M	Wafford, J N
Gougenheim, L	Rogers, J M	Wadsworth, A B
Holmes, J H	Robbins, D	Total—31.

*Initiated*—T. S. Alexander; Adrien Como; J. M. Cochran; A. Duguy; O. A. Fleurot; J. H. Holmes; J. M. Miller; D. Robbins; W. M. Smith; S. G. Sanders; H. H. Wilcoxon; A. B. Wadsworth; M. Cahn; H. M. Huntington; Chas. Nickerson.

*Passed*—T. S. Alexander; J. Berryman; Adrien Como; J. M. Cochran; A. Duguy; O. A. Fleurot; L. Gougenheim; J. H. Holmes; J. M. Miller; J. M. Rogers; D. Robbins; S. G. Sanders; W. M. Smith; H. H. Wilcoxon; A. B. Wadsworth; H. M. Huntington; J. B. Rogers.

*Raised*—T. S. Alexander; J. Berryman; Adrien Como; J. M. Cochran; A. Duguy; O. A. Fleurot; L. Gougenheim; J. H. Holmes; J. M. Miller; J. M. Rogers; D. Robbins; S. G. Sanders; W. M. Smith; H. H. Wilcoxon; A. B. Wadsworth.

*Affiliated*—W. M. Reims.

*Demitted*—Thos. Wilcoxon.

*Died*—J. Berryman.

## MANY LODGE, No. 88.

*Many, Sabine Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Stille, Wm B.....	W M	Eason, S A.....	Secretary
Eason, John W.....	S W	Alford, Wm B.....	S D
Garner, G G.....	J W	Curtis, Asa.....	J D
Stille, J D.....	Treasurer	Edmonson, W H.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Alford, W T	Davidson, E C	Roberts, Elijah
Arthur, Solomon	Godwin, J J F	Sibley, R A
Brown, Edward	Montgomery, V A	Thompson, M A
Baldrige, F	Morris, G W	West, G W
Curtis, W R	Roberts, A	
Caldwell, John	Rains, Isaac	Total—24.

*Raised*—Elijah Roberts.

*Demitted*—Edward Brown; John Caldwell; M. A. Thompson; in 1858, S. H. Morris.

*Died in 1857*—P. T. Montgomery.

## CYPRESS LODGE, No. 89.

*Collinsburg, Bossier Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Turnley, Jas T	W M	Sentell, W M	Secretary
Doles, W L	S W	Miller, Samuel	S D
Shaw, J S	J W	Ratliffe, B F	J D
Cooper, N A	Treasurer	Hall, Wm	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Alden, Philo	Henderson, J G	Sentell, G W
Arnette, R W	King, C R	Shippey, E A
Arick, Wm	Liverman, W B	Scars, A K
Bennett, J W	Lewis, A D	Sentell, Jno B
Bush, W J	Matlock, B B	Stiles, Edwin
Burnham, D M	McDonald, W D	Strain, A C
Buzzard, J P	Nelson, B H	Sanderson, E S
Cook, E G	O'Neal, Elias	Sentell, H V
Dickson, D E	Potts, W C	Stinson, Joseph
Dickson, M A	Pegues, E J	Shaw, Jno J
Doles, Z	Pickett, John	Sleigh, G B
Graham, Y J	Palmer, P A	Taite, J A
Graham, J L C	Rodgers, Israel	Taylor, J L
Gambill, W B	Ridens, H T	Vansycle, S
Gladney, S W	Roy, M	Walker, G H
Hamilton, L	Stinson, R T	Wheeler, W B

Total—56.

*Initiated*—A. D. Lewis; W. E. Scriber.*Passed*—A. D. Lewis.*Raised*—S. Y. Gladney; A. D. Lewis; John J. Shaw; W. B. Wheeler.*Affiliated*—J. G. Henderson; P. A. Palmer.*Demitted*—P. A. Palmer; E. S. Sanderson.*Died*—J. P. Buzzard; Y. J. Graham; C. R. King; P. A. Palmer; John J. Shaw.*Stricken from the Roll*—J. W. Bennett.*Suspended*—Joseph Stinson.

## THIBODAUX BENEVOLENT, No. 90.

*Thibodaux, Lafourche Interior, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Thibodaux, B G.....	W M	New, R A.....	Secretary
Grüneberg, C H.....	S W	Dedrick, A.....	S D
Supple, Thos.....	J W	Tanner, W.....	J D
McLeod, M A.....	Treasurer	Conlin, Owen.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Aubert, L C	Darden, R G	Mead, F L
Atkinson, T S	Dickerson, D M	Nichols, R F
Armitage, C	Dodd, J R	Perkins, J S
Beauford, J A	Edmonson, T N	Ragan, A B
Babin, O	Gray, D J	Smith, N H
Birdsall, M	Garner, G G	Tenny, S
Belcher, Clifford	Head, W L	White, J C
Crawford, J M	Harland, John	Williams, C C
Cole, J L	Harris, H H	Williams, J P
Cross, E	LeBlanc, D	
Christy, G W	Loewenstein, J M	Total—38.

*Initiated*—J. R Dodd; W. L. Head; R. Davidson; Wm. McBeth.*Passed*—J. R. Dodd; W. L. Head; R. A. Chapman; R. Davidson; F. M. Lawhorn.*Raised*—J. R. Dodd; W. L. Head.*Affiliated*—C. Armitage.*Demitted*—E. Cross; J. M. Lowenstein.

## MONTICELLO LODGE, No. 92.

*Monticello, Carroll Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Gaddis, T F.....	W M	Draughon, J W.....	Secretary
Eppes, John W.....	S W	Richardson, C B.....	S D
DeFrance, C A.....	J W	Richardson, W A.....	J D
Richards, J S.....	Treasurer	Neill, Sam'l.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Anderson, W T C	Humphries, R B	Mann, T M
Adams, B F	Hays, John W	Moore, S W
Alexander, J W	Hawkins, Lorenzo	Oliver, S D
Atkins, Chas	Henderson, W C	Oliver, W T
Beard, Levi	Herring, J S	Oliver, T F
Capers, L R	Halberg, C J	Parker, W H
Cawthorn, J L	Imboden, J D	Pack, W C
Cawthorn, A	Jackson, E C	Quinn, A
Currie, J A C	Lester, J W	Ray, John E
Cheatham, J L	Lott, H R	Roberts, B D
Dorsey, G S	Land, L J	Stewart, W T
Dollerhide, R II	Looney, Moses	Saltenberer, G P
Drew, N J	Lott, J D	Travis, D S
DeFrance, P W	Moore, R J	Vinson, Levin
Eddins, Abram	McNeill, J H	Walker, A J
Flemming, E M	McElvey, D S	Watson, J M
Gaddis, J M	Motley, C T	Wells, S M

Total—59.

*Initiated*—Levi Beard; J. M. Bradford; J. L. Cawthorn; James Cummins; W. L. DeFrance; C. E. Guy; H. C. Ellis; Newton Holland; W. C. Henderson; R. J. Moore; John E. Ray; E. R. Travis.

*Passed*—Levi Beard; J. M. Bradford; J. L. Cawthorn; A. Cawthorn; James Cummins; W. L. DeFrance; C. E. Guy; Newton Holland; W. C. Henderson; J. D. Lott; R. J. Moore; John E. Ray.

*Raised*—Levi Beard; J. L. Cawthorn; A. Cawthorn; C. A. De France; W. C. Henderson; J. D. Lott; R. J. Moore; John E. Ray.

*Affiliated*—Chas. Atkins; G. S. Dorsey; J. D. Lott (E. A.).

*Demitted*—J. A. C. Currie; D. S. McElvey; A. Quinn; B. D. Roberts; D. S. Travis; A. J. Walker.

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## NAPOLÉON LODGE, No. 94.

*Marion, Union Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Thomas, L K.....	W M	Ford, Benj.....	Secretary
Smith, Sam'l.....	S W	Thomas, A W.....	S D
Turner, J M.....	J W	Barr, S E.....	J D
Jessup, G.....	Treasurer	Meredith, John.....	Tyler



## MEMBERS.

Absent, C	Hare, Wm	Roan, P
Briggs, D B	Inright, J T	Robinson, J
Cashill, E J	Kidd, N A	Wiel, M

Total—17.

*Initiated*—J. H. Robinson.*Affiliated*—C. Absent; J. Meredith; A. W. Thomas.*Died*—Wm. Hare; in 1859, G. W. Stripling; D. J. Stewart*Reinstated in 1859*—S. E. Barr.

## ST. HELENA LODGE, No. 96.

*Greensburg, St. Helena Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Carter, W A.....	W M	Gill, Wm A.....	Secretary
Kent, Amos.....	S W	Parker, Wm R.....	S D
Thompson, J J.....	J W	Allen, C H.....	J D
Williams, Jas A.....	Treasurer	Richardson, J A.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Addison, W S	Gorman, D K	Strickland, H W
Addison, Ashford	George, C W	Strickland, E R
Alford, J H	Hodges, R F	Tillery, W H
Bankston, Leslie	Jones, Thos	Thompson, D W
Bates, W S	Kemp, J D	Thompson, I F
Birch, Jno W	Kemp, E M	Taylor, J B
Belue, J L	Lamberth, D G	Thompson, W L
Brady, S A	McKinney, Jephtha	Wainwright, C
Burton, J G	McGhee, D L	Watson, J G
Bennett, Thos	McClendon, J B	Watson, B M
Carter, W W	Methvien, B G	Wilson, J E
Corkern, Jno	Methvien, J B	Womack, Abner
Carruth, W K	Parker, L R	Womack, J B
Clark, R J	Pierson, S H	Womack, A B
Dennis, Wm	Rowland, J F	Womack, Wm Fletcher
Day, D D	Strickland, Jr, C D	Wheat, John J
Ellis, T C W	Story, Edward	Warren, J B W
Godfrey, C R	Smith, A W	
Gorman, J K	Spencer, Jno T	Total—63.

*Initiated*—R. J. Clark; D. G. Lamberth; W. L. Thompson; Wm. J.

Bennett; Dan'l Blue; John Burton; W. M. Mott; Isaac Odom; H. E. Williams; L. H. Young; Wm. A. Gill.

*Passed*—R. J. Clark; T. C. W. Ellis; Wm. A. Gill; D. G. Lamberth; J. A. Richardson; W. L. Thompson; Wm. J. Bennett; H. E. Williams.

*Raised*—R. J. Clark; T. C. W. Ellis; Wm. A. Gill; D. G. Lamberth; J. A. Richardson; J. B. Taylor; W. L. Thompson.

*Affiliated*—Thos. Bennett; W. K. Carruth; E. R. Strickland.

*Demitted*—J. B. Womack.

*Died*—I. F. Thompson.

*Suspended*—S. A. Brady.

## HERMITAGE LODGE, No. 98.

*Corner of Philip and Magazine streets, N. O.*

### OFFICERS.

Wilson, Dan'l.....	W M	Bouloq, P L.....	Secretary
Burden, Thos.....	S W	Beck, E.....	S D
Buford, W W.....	J W	Patton, F.....	J D
Hautau, Fred.....	Treasurer	Dierkies, Louis.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Andrews, S	Looz, Adam	Tournay, R
Altmeyer, J	Meyer, J G	Thornton, J B
Brown, C	Miller, John	Weiser, Adolphe
Benker, D	Miller, C H	Walz, A
Bierley, Chas	Oberkamp, Chas	Weiser, Wm
Blust, F' J	Osborne, F'	Welsh, G
Damron, H	Rebentish, Wm	Weber, Wm
Dowd, Jas	Riks, E	Werkle, Peter
Frith, J L	Sutton, John	Weil, Sam'l
Goldman, J A	Schorn, H M	Wila, Wm
Green, J U	Schorr, Thos	Young, Dan'l
Henry, Wm	Stafford, J	Zinzer, J M
Kopp, Louis	Strowmayer, J	Total—46.

*Initiated*—Chas. Bierley; W. W. Buford; E. Beck; J. G. Delastinier; J. S. Moody; John Sutton (1858).

*Passed*—Chas. Bierley; W. W. Buford; E. Beck; Wm. Wila; J. S. Moody; John Sutton (1858).

*Raised*—Chas. Bierley; W. W. Buford; E. Beck; Wm. Wila; R. Tournay; F. J. Blust; John Sutton.

*Affiliated*—F. Patton.

*Reinstated*—Dan'l Young.

**HENDERSON LODGE, No. 99.\****Cotile, Rapides Parish, La.***OFFICERS.**

Texada, Lewis.....	W M	_____	Secretary
Myers, John J.....	S W	_____	S D
Richardson, Thos.....	J W	_____	J D
James, W C.....	Treasurer	Boswell, J S.....	Tyler

**MEMBERS.**

Carnahan, M N	Gallagher, John	Shackleford, S B
Carnahan, John	Lee, E	Sneed, Wm
Crain, R A	McNecly, Thos	Texada, J W
Davidson, N	Richardson, W L	Williams, S D
Dickerson, T W	Rosenthal, Moses	Wills, J Q
Total—20.		

*Demitted*—T. W. Richardson; E. Lee; S. D. Williams.**FRANKLINTON LODGE, No. 101.***Franklinton, Washington Parish, La.***OFFICERS.**

Wadsworth, John.....	W M	Slocomb, John J.....	Secretary
Burkhalter, H T.....	S W	Wood, J R.....	S D
Morris, John E.....	J W	Burch, J R.....	J D
Bickham, S W.....	Treasurer	Crow, J L.....	Tyler

**MEMBERS.**

Blackburn, A S	Ellis, S	O'Rourke, M
Bailey, C P	Erwin, J A	Pounds, J G
Bullock, W P	Fisher, J C	Richardson, H
Bullock, D E	Foil, J C	Richardson, S D
Bickham, T R	Hosmer, W B	Richardson, W P
Bickham, A C	Hobgood, O M	Simmons, J M
Bennett, S	Headon, S A	Spring, Henry
Burriss, J M	Lewis, G W	Stringfield, D H
Babington, R	Mizell, S	Thomas, James
Buie, Angus	Mizell, John	Thomas, C P
Bloom, Isaac	Morris, C B	Waskurn, P Y
Carpenter, J M	Magee, Jacob	Wallis, J M
Dees, E B	McCoin, E	Total—46.

\* Returns informal.

*Initiated*—S. A. Headon; Josiah Brumfield; E. A. Fussell; Wm. Turner; Nathaniel Graves.

*Passed*—S. A. Headon; G. W. Lewis; C. P. Thomas; J. Brumfield; E. A. Fussell; Wm. Turner.

*Raised*—Isaac Bloom; S. A. Headon; G. W. Lewis; C. P. Thomas.

*Demitted*—J. T. Hosmer (E. A.).

## LOUISIANA LODGE, No. 102.

*Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner St. Charles and Perdido streets, N. O.*

### OFFICERS.

Driver, Wm C.....	W M	Gardner, L H.....	S D
Harris, Aaron.....	S W	Haynes, A F.....	J D
Boardman, Thos S.....	J W	Rogers, Thos, Jr.....	Chaplain
Nathan, George.....	Treasurer	Barbot, J P.....	} Stewards
Hoyt, Fred E.....	Secretary	Hildreth, D M.....	
		Wolf, B J (not a member).....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Adams, Thos E	Hall, O E	Pandorf, Chas H
Bolles, E C	Kursheedt, Gersham	Pressprich, Otto
Baldwin, A	Krull, C F	Parker, E T
Baldwin, H F	Lonsdale, H T	Piderit, Louis
Baker, John J	Mott, Robert	Payne, Wm
Binachi, N M	Mure, John	Quentell, Wm
Bell, J F	Mann, J H	Read, Robt H
Beard, C	Morgan, P H	Ralli, N
Clark, James	Morgan, Thos G	Reinhart, B F
Crawcour, J L	Morgan, Geo M	Slack, Wm H
Clapp, Chas B	Micks, T R	Snapp, Lewis
Doane, Harmon	Murphy, John	Schonfeldt, F W
Gordon, Charles	Macmurdo, John R	Sizer, Geo W
Heine, Armand	Macmurdo, R L	Smith, Howard
Harris, Alexander	McRee, Robert	Sherry, Jas N
Hite, Geo D	Magner, Selim	Touro, John
Horrell, B M	Nivens, A A	Walton, Jas B
Hays, Harry T	Prehm, Wm	Total—63.

*Initiated*—Harry T. Hays; Fred. E. Hoyt; O. E. Hall; D. M. Hildreth; C. F. Krull; T. R. Micks; John Murphy; Wm. Payne; Wm. Quentell; Jas. N. Sherry; Edwd. Rodewald; Edwin Harris; W. S. Mitchell; Louis A. Welton.

*Passed*—Harry T. Hays; Fred. E. Hoyt; O. E. Hall; D. M. Hildreth; C. F. Krull; T. R. Micks; John Murphy; Wm. Payne; Wm. Quentell; Jas. N. Sherry; W. H. McQuithy; G. W. Parker; Edwd. Rodewald.

*Raised*—Harry T. Hays; Fred. E. Hoyt; O. E. Hall; D. M. Hildreth; C. F. Krull; T. R. Micks; John Murphy; Wm. Payne; Wm. Quentell; Jas. N. Sherry.

*Affiliated*—J. F. Bell; C. Beard; Selim Magner; B. F. Reinhart.

*Demitted*—Robert McRee.

*Died*—Jno. J. Baker; Wm. H. Slack; Edwd. Rodewald (f. c.).

*Suspended Indefinitely*—John Touro.

## CLOUTIERVILLE LODGE, No. 103.

*Cloutierville, Natchitoches Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Scruggs, S O.....	W M	Hartman, Geo.....	Secretary
Rogers, R S.....	S W	Sharp, T P.....	S D
Moreau, Alexis.....	J W	Moreau, Pierre.....	J D
Roper, Jno W.....	Treasurer	Lowe, Thomas.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Carnahan, A	Carnahan, Wm	Myers, Myer
Carnahan, Jr, John	Larcaux, Joseph	Norris, Jos W
Total—14.		

*Initiated*—Caleb Bennett, Wm. S. Calhoun, T. P. Sharp.

*Passed*—T. P. Sharp.

*Raised*—T. P. Sharp.

*Affiliated*—A. Carnahan.

*Demitted*—Jos. W. Norris.

*Reinstated*—Joseph Lareaux.

## MOUNT LEBANON LODGE, No. 104.

*Mount Lebanon, Bienville Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Randle, John G.....	W M	Rogers, J C.....	Secretary
Thurmond, C G.....	S W	Prothro, W B.....	S D
Walker, J H.....	J W	Key, W M.....	J D
Candler, W L.....	Treasurer	Brice, John.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Courtney, F	Hill, A C	Prescott, J Q
Egan, J C	Key, R A	Rogers, G W
Edins, W D B	Lee, Hanson	Traylor, Joshua
Holstein, G L	McCasland, A J	Vassalla, F N
Total 20.		

*Affiliated*—John G. Randle.

*Demitted*—W. D. B. Edins; G. L. Holstein; A. C. Hill; Hanson Lee.

## TRINITY LODGE, No. 105.

*Trinity, Catahoula Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Buhoup, J W	W M	Carter, B M	Secretary
Thomas, Simeon	S W	Liddell, A J	S D
Montpelier, A	J W	Guilford, N	J D
Shlenker, S	Treasurer	Otto, John	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Beard, Wm	Gibson, J B	Peebles, J
Brooks, J G	Gibson, R G	Routh, F
Benefield, J B	Groves, G G	Risher, W W
Boatner, J H	Godwin, J C	Shutzer, J
Briethaupt, T	Huntington, H	Shaw, John
Calvert, J D	Hanes, Peter	Stewart, M W
Cotton, G T	Hughes, J C	Thomas, W H
Crooks, P	Huffman, B	Turner, J W R
Carter, E	Kiper, J R B	Wooten, R G, Jr
Crooks, S	Kiger, Peter	Wooten, J S
D'Armond, L H	May, G B	Wooldridge, J R
Dampier, Wm	Miller, J C	White, R P
Dale, Wm	Morris, T M	Wharton, F H
Davis, A J	Norman, J S	Wright, Joel
Fulton, N A	Ogden, J P	Total—52.

*Initiated*—H. Spinks; R. C. S. Guice; J. N. Thomas; R. P. White.

*Passed*—A. Montpelier; H. Spinks; E. H. Cobb; R. P. White; F. H. Wharton.

*Raised*—J. W. Buhoup; A. Montpelier; F. H. Wharton; R. P. White.

*Affiliated*—J. S. Norman; W. W. Risher; Joel Wright.

*Demitted*—J. D. Calvert; A. J. Davis; G. G. Groves; J. Peebles; John Shaw.

*Died*—J. C. Miller; J. S. Norman.

*Stricken from the Roll*—E. Carter.

## VIENNA LODGE, No. 106.

*Vienna, Jackson Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Calcote, J W.....	W M	Winfrey, A B C.....	Secretary
Dobbins, G W.....	S W	Vining, J E.....	S D
Skinner, A H.....	J W	McPherson, R W.....	J D
Huey, John.....	Treasurer	Calcote, W C.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Barmour, H	Hynes, W	Quinn, M P
Ball, J R	Hynes, S	Reid, A L W
Beck, Chas	Kinman, J M	Robertson, Albert
Burgess, Wm	Lyles, Thos	Scarboro, P D
Colvin, Thos	Lyles, C W	Spivy, Moses
Coker, W H	Legett, S P	Stephens, J H
Crowell, J M	Mayes, J L	Stallings, Jephtha
Colvin, W D	Mayes, Robert	Smith, W J
Coker, T C	Mitchell, J B	Skinner, S C
Duggin, A M	McLain, John	Skinner, Samuel
Drain, Jephtha	McKinzie, Wm	Simonton, A C
Embry, J M	Mozelle, J O	Tanner, T J
Goodwin, R P	Otts, W P	Wood, Willis
Greenwood, F C	Otts, J B	Wilder, J B
Hall, J M	Odum, E	Waldron, W B
Holland, Levi	O'Neil, J S	Warren, Wm
Harrison, W		Total—57.

*Initiated*—A. M. Duggin; F. C. Greenwood.*Passed*—F. C. Coker; A. M. Duggin; F. C. Greenwood.*Raised*—F. C. Coker; A. M. Duggin; F. C. Greenwood.*Affiliated*—Wm. Burgess; Jephtha Drain (1859).*Demitted*—Jephtha Drain; Robt. Mayes; J. O. Mozelle; W. B. Waldron; Wm. Warren.*Stricken from the Roll*—H. Barmour; J. M. Embry; Robt. Mayes; Wm. McKinzie; Moses Spivy; Jephtha Stallings.*Reinstated*—H. Barmour; Robert Mayes; Moses Spivy.

## SPARTA LODGE, No. 108.

*Sparta, Bienville Parish, La.*

[No Returns.]

**CASTOR LODGE, No. 109.***Castor, Caldwell Parish, La.***OFFICERS;**

DeGraffenreidt, W L.....W M	Raymond, W M.....Secretary
Coates, W E.....S W	Hampton, John.....S D
Morgan, W O.....J W	Erwin, B R.....J D
Markham, L S.....Treasurer	Gomillian, E S.....Tyler

**MEMBERS.**

Allen, B W	Franton, Jno	Roberts, C M
Brown, James	Garrett, G W	Sikes, John
Butler, H M	Hagard, M	Steele, Wm S
Bryant, Francis	Hargrove, W P	Thomas, D B
Baggents, Moses	Moffitt, G C	Wood, A B
Cox, Zachariah	McLeland F	Webb, Seborn
Clark, Wm H	Nettles, W T	Womack, Wm
		Total—29.

*Demitted*—Wm. H. Clark; John Sikes.*Died*—Francis Bryant.*Reinstated*—Wm. Womack.**HARRISONBURG LODGE, No. 110.***Harrisonburg, Catahoula Parish, La.***OFFICERS.**

Wells, Geo H.....W M	Conn, Abraham.....Secretary
Cuny, Samuel C.....S W	Dushane, James S.....S D
Levystein, Aaron.....J W	Shlenker, Isaac.....J D
Marks, David.....Treasurer	Lanius Jacob.....Tyler

**MEMBERS.**

Beaman, C	Hodkins, E L	Phillips, A R
Cohen, J A	Hanks, T W	Roach, D
Duke, C C	Hudnall, E F	Small, B S
Evans, Henry	Lanehart, J	Sheffield, J P
Green, H L	McCollum, W H	Sherwood, J D
Green, T L	Mecon, H	Stamper, J M
Gaulden, W E	Mayer, L	Splawn, Eli
Griffin, Wm	Norris, R H	Tew, Wm M
Hynes, T O	Prichard, D M	Total—34.

*Initiated*—F. W. Day; R. O. Nugent; T. A. Routon.*Affiliated*—James S. Dushane.*Died*—R. H. Norris; John M. Sherrouse (F. C.).



## URIM LODGE, No. 111.

*Forksville, Ouachita Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Marks, Frank N.....W M	McCarter, J L.....Secretary
Patrick, W W.....S W	Milling, Jno H.....S D
Calloun, A.....J W	Parker, J F.....J D
Puckett, J E.....Treasurer	Sheppard, F M.....Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Arrant, Peter	Hunley, F J	Stegall, Jno W
Bishop, Caldwell	Harris, Wesley	Simmons, W A
Bryan, Wm H	Inabriet, J D	Simmons, J T
Britt, L S	Milling, Jas H	Stegall, B C
Butler, Jas J	Martin, Seneca	Sheppard, A W
Collins, Isaac	McClendon, R W	Simmons, J R
Craig, Jas A	Nettles, Isham R	Thompson, Wm
Dickerson, A T	Nobles, J H	Turner, D D
Dillard, Wm M	O'Neal, M	Thompson, J N
Friend, Edwin	Richardson, J C	Wilson, H M
Gainey, R	Simpson, T L	Watson, T J
Head, D T	Sheppard, J F	Wise, Moses
Huey, Isaiah	Sheppard, D H	Total—46.

*Initiated*—L. F. Achord; D. Arrant; S. S. Adams; Jno. H. Milling; N. L. Zeigler.

*Passed*—L. F. Achord; Jno. H. Milling.

*Raised*—Jno. H. Milling.

*Affiliated*—W. M. Dillard; F. J. Hunley; J. N. Thompson.

*Demitted*—F. J. Hunley; T. L. Simpson; J. F. Sheppard; D. H. Sheppard; H. M. Wilson.

*Died*—B. C. Stegall.

*Stricken from the Roll*—Seneca Martin.

*Reinstated*—D. H. Sheppard.

## BARTHOLOMEW LODGE, No. 112.

*Plantersville, Moorehouse Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Washburn, A S.....W M	Greenwood, N S.....Secretary
McCrary, John.....S W	Brice, W N.....S D
Simpson, Thomas.....J W	Holloway, Jesse.....J D
Avriett, W J.....Treasurer	Jones, W M.....Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Archibell, G F	Edwards, T H	Kelly, John
Brewer, A H	Faulk, J C	Moore, John
Bunckley, R P	Hilliard, J M	Moore, Dickson
Bunckley, Ransom	Hawes, S	Mayo, W R
Busby, Z T	Herron, D B	Miller, P S
Baker, J W	Hambricht, G W	Overby, H
Brown, Alexander	Jones, T M	Pratt, J W
Beard, W W	Jackson, W R	Richmond, A J
Cole, H B	Jones, A W	Stewart, Chas
Delamar, N	James, B H	Stewart, Thomas
Dennard, T F	Knox, J S	Ward, W R
Duckworth, E D	Knox, R J	Worley, J C
Daniel, E L	Kimbrough, G W	
Duckworth, J C	Kimbrough, J A	Total—48.

*Initiated*—W. W. Beard; B. H. James; James Stewart.

*Passed*—W. W. Beard; G. F. Archibell; B. H. James; Jas. Stewart.

*Raised*—G. F. Archibell, W. W. Beard; B. H. James; James W. Pratt.

*Affiliated*—Alexander Brown; W. N. Brice; G. W. Hambricht.

*Demitted*—H. B. Cole; D. B. Herron.

*Died*—Samuel Hawes; A. W. Jones; G. W. Kimbrough, Charles Stewart.

## THOMAS JEFFERSON LODGE, No. 113.

*Spearsville, Union Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Spears, W L	W M	Griffin, Sidney H	Secretary
Goynes, Joseph R	S W	Harrell, B F	S D
Hunt, Alva J	J W	Spears, Jno P	J D
Carroll, Geo R	Treasurer	Post, Jas M	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Abbott, Daniel I	Dean, Wm	McCaskell, Colen
Campbell, M Q	Hayes, Jeremiah	Moore, Wm T
Cobb, S T	Henderson, Wm	Spears, Joab B
Cobb, Joel M	Killgore, T B	Summers, Joab P
Cobb, Hugh B	Lowe, Wm H	Thornton, M H
Cobb, Hosea	Lawrence, T P	Wamble, Henry
Clingpost, J M	McAdams, Isaac F	Total—28.

*Demitted*—S. T. Cobb; Joel M. Cobb; Hugh B. Cobb; Hosea Cobb; J. M. Clingpost; Wm. H. Lowe; Joab P. Summers.

*Stricken from the Roll*—Colen McCaskell.

*Suspended*—Daniel I. Abbott.

## FRIENDSHIP LODGE, No. 114.

*Woodville, Jackson Parish, La.*

[No Returns.]

## SHREVEPORT LODGE, No. 115.

*Shreveport, Caddo Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Jones, J W.....	W M	Brownlee, J H.....	Secretary
Waller, T C.....	S W	Jacobs, Ed.....	S D
Gilmore, J B.....	J W	Knox, L.....	J D
Stacy, A J.....	Treasurer	Shaffner, A.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Beck, W C	Hudgins, H P	Ritchie, V
Cook, Robert	Hinson, S	Robson, Wm
Carnes, R	Ivey, W A	Slaughter, A
Dunham, M A	Jacobs, B	Simpson, T R
Duvall, D T	Lindsay, R H	Shoemaker, W R
Daws, R	McLaughlin, Jos	Scogin, B T
Eaken, D W	McWilliams, J G	Sutton, J V
Eberstadt, E	McLelland, J N	Speer, T S
Folsome, W M	Marshall, A W	Thompson, J D
Fiffe, Wm C	McWilliams, Wm	Watson, M
Hay, A D	Martin, J W	Williamson, Geo
Hotchkiss, T P	Mullhaupt, F X	Waldron, F M
Haber, S	Mullhall, M	Weisnor, W B
Howerton, H H	Pitts, T H	Wasson, J B
Hunsicker, H	Pobst, D	Yates, A A

Total—53.

*Initiated*—Wm. May; R. S. Parham; S. D. Caldwell; W. F. Howell.*Passed*—D. T. Duvall; W. C. Fiffe; R. S. Parham; E. D. Marlin; B. Peace.*Raised*—D. T. Duvall; W. C. Fiffe; M. Mullhall.*Affiliated*—R. Daws; S. Hinson; Ed. Jacobs; D. Pobst; T. S. Speer; A. D. Hay.*Demitted*—T. P. Hotchkiss; S. Haber; Jos. McLaughlin.*Died*—S. D. Caldwell (E. A.).

## ACACIA LODGE, No. 116.

*Plaquemine, Iberville Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Marcot, John.....	W M	Hall, Alfred.....	Secretary
Breaux, J A .....	S W	Marionaux, B.....	S D
Shanks, Wm.....	J W	Skelly, Evan .....	J D
Jumel, Allen .....	Treasurer	Scott, A W.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Arceneaux, E A	Chauvin, J	Savory, Ira J
Altimous, John	Commeaux, J J	Schmalinski, S
Browne, H S	Gotcher, J S	St. Amant, A
Boote, W R	Hebert, P O	Shearky, J
Brown, W S	Hall, B R	Toffier, A
Bloys, W D	Hennings, H E	Troxclair, Geo
Blanchard, A	Landry, M	Warden, S
Blanchard, J S	Lauve, G	Winn, E G
Brown, J M	Orcutt, Ira E	Weatherly, J

Total—35.

*Initiated*—S. Matthews; J. H. Stockley.*Passed*—Evan Skelly; S. Matthews.*Raised*—Evan Skelly; W. S. Brown.*Affiliated*—J. Altimous; J. M. Brown; J. Shearky; Wm. Shanks; A. W. Scott; J. Weatherly; W. D. Bloys.*Demitted*—W. S. Brown.*Died*—A. St. Amant.

## MILFORD LODGE, No. 117.

*Manchac Settlement, East Baton Rouge, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Brown, T W .....	W M	Singeltary, T J.....	Secretary
Delaune, Jas.....	S W	Abramson, H.....	S D
Keller, G W.....	J W	Wilkerson, J P.....	J D
Melton, J T.....	Treasurer	Tarlton, J T.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Aucoin, P	Dixon, M	Lusk, Henry
Adams, O	Dixon, A	Pryme, T E
Adams, J Q	Dixon, E A	Piker, J F
Burnett, W L	Doiron, E	Parish, R D
Brown, W D	Denham, Joe	Smith, T M
Brown, T Z	Freeman, J J	Singeltary, B
Bixler, J B	Felder, O H	Turner, Wm
Block, Joseph	Garig, Geo	Webb, C C
Comaux, J B	Hampton, J S	
Chambers, J S	Harbour, T B	
		Total—36.

*Initiated*—A. Deis.

*Passed*—J. S. Chambers; B. Singeltary; Joseph Block.

*Raised*—J. S. Chambers; B. Singeltary; Joseph Block.

*Demitted*—R. D. Parish; Joseph Block.

*Stricken from the Roll*—O. Adams.

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### TERRYVILLE LODGE, No. 118.

*Quay P. O., Claiborne Parish, La.*

[No Returns.]

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### CONSTANTINE LODGE, No. 119.

*Waterproof, Tensas Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Lynch, W F.....	W M	Reed, J A.....	Secretary
Womack, J P.....	S W	Smokey, J J.....	S D
Brown, H M.....	J W	McCullough, T.....	J D
Brown, G M.....	Treasurer	Penney, J H.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Adams, J D	Gordon, W C	Preston, Z
Andrews, M	Hall, T C	Powell, D C
Baker, F M	Hendry, M	Powell, J J
Brannin, R	Huggins, W D	Roy, A J
Benedict, T B	Hughes, W G	Royillio, M L
Clifton, D C	Hunsicker, J	Reed, L A
Collins, E P	Hunter, P, Jr	Trueman, H G
Dieffenwierth, P H	Jump, P	Trueman, J M
Drake, H W	Jolly, C	Torrey, M
Fischel, S	Murphy, N	Vick, A J
Griffin, T J	McCullough, H	Wise, D
Gorton, J	Miller, P H	Weast, G W
Gorton, F A	Murray, J G D	Warner, R J
Griswold, E P	Monroe, W	Wallace, J W

Total—50.

*Initiated*—W. Monroe; T. McCullough; L. W. Chamberlain; J. S. Siemon; J. Turnbull.

*Passed*—E. P. Collins; P. Hunter, Jr.; W. Monroe; T. McCullough; L. W. Chamberlain.

*Raised*—E. P. Collins; P. Hunter, Jr.; W. Monroe; T. McCullough; M. Torrey.

*Affiliated*—R. J. Warner; J. W. Wallace.

*Demitted*—C. Jolly.

*Died*—T. C. Hall; W. D. Huggins; J. Hunsicker.

## DEERFIELD LODGE, No. 120.

*Deerfield, Carroll Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Callaway, J H.....	W M	Munholland, M M ....	Secretary
Doggett, W T .....	S W	Clarke, John .....	S D
McDonald, Joel .....	J W	Munholland, L M .....	J D
Scott, Warren M ....	Treasurer	Armstrong, Alex.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Balf, N S	McLendon, J L	Stevens, Wm H
Bolles, W A	McKay, William	Stovall, J L
Carter, Charles	Purvis, W C	Trezevant, G W
Cater, George R	Purnell, M D	Trezevant, J P
Eddins, W B	Rikard, L	Wolfe, J H
Holly, J D	Scruggs, J H	Wright, Jacob
Mabin, W J	Simms, Leroy	
Mabin, Isaac S	Slider, C R	

Total—30.

*Initiated*—Charles Carter; L. Rikard; P. B. Feenan; J. B. Stubblefield; S. P. Burke.

*Passed*—Charles Carter; L. Rikard; P. B. Feenan; J. B. Stubblefield.

*Raised*—Charles Carter; L. Rikard.

*Affiliated*—Wm. A. Bolles; John Clark; L. M. Munholland; M. D. Purnell; J. H. Scruggs; J. L. McLendon (in 1859).

*Demitted*—L. Rikard.

*Died*—J. P. Trezevant.

## LISBON LODGE, No. 121.

*Lisbon, Claiborne Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Lesley, W J.....	W M	Tait, J M.....	Secretary
McClendon, H H.....	S W	Aiken, John.....	Chaplain
Tait, C H.....	J W	Pennington, T H.....	S D
Carpenter, E.....	Treasurer	Cook, Jas.....	J D
Thomas, S O.....		Tyler.	

### MEMBERS.

Brooks, J C	Garlington, M D	Mitchell, W P
Coleman, T B	Garlington, S S	Robinson, S M
Coleman, W G	Hester, W D	Sparks, E
Coleman, B R	Hargrove, B F	Tatum, S
Cross, W H	Kimball, G W	Waugh, G W
Duke, J J	Killgore, J B	Williams, J H
Elliott, R L	Lay, L R	Total—29.

*Passed*—B. F. Hargrove.

*Raised*—B. F. Hargrove; S. O. Thomas.

*Affiliated*—H. H. McClendon; in 1859, J. B. Killgore.

*Demitted*—B. R. Coleman; L. R. Lay; S. M. Robinson; R. L. Elliott.

### MACKEY LODGE, No. 122.

*Ringgold, Bienville Parish, La.*

#### OFFICERS.

Theus, John C.....	W M	Dickey, Thos E.....	Secretary
Cawthon, J D.....	S W	Cawthon, G W .....	S D
Walker, J W .....	J W	Shehee, T S.....	J D
Shehee, H D .....	Treasurer	Williams, David.....	Tyler

#### MEMBERS.

Allums, B S	Cotter, W H	McKinney, A F
Allums, W D	Davis, E W	Prothro, T L
Brown, H T	Ellis, J R	Pittman, J S
Bryan, James	Hayes, D H	Ross, Guy
Bryan, J B	Hayes, G S	Raborn, Jesse
Bryan, T C	Kolb, A J	Scott, J H
Burnett, T H	Monroe, James	Stiles, Richard
Cawthon, W M D	McDuffie, G W	Thomas, J B
Cawthon, J J	Manning, B M	Tooke, J J
Caldwell, J A	Martin, W A	Watts, J C

Total—38.

*Initiated*—J. R. Ellis; Jesse Raborn; L. W. Ellis; B. F. Thomas.

*Passed*—J. J. Cawthon; J. R. Ellis; Jesse Raborn; B. F. Thomas.

*Raised*—J. J. Cawthon; J. R. Ellis; Jesse Raborn.

*Affiliated*—T. H. Burnett; Thomas E. Dickey; D. H. Hayes; G. S. Hayes; A. F. McKinney; J. S. Pittman.

### LIBERTY LODGE, No. 123.

*Keachi, DeSoto Parish, La.*

[No Returns.]

### KELLERTOWN LODGE, No. 124.

*Kellertown, East Feliciana, La.*

#### OFFICERS.

Norwood, Abel J.....	W M	Reily, J C.....	Secretary
Gore, Clement .....	S W	Frecman, Z.....	S D
Palmer, R P.....	J W	Palmer, A M.....	J D
Ramsey, J A.....	Treasurer	Stanley, W H.....	Tyler



## MEMBERS.

Bankston, Aaron	Hunt, W W	Roberts, R W
Bethany, R F	Hughes, Wm	Redhead, Joseph
Coleman, E N	James, John	Robinson, H D
Coleman, E	McCraine, A	Reily, S W
Ceffert, C T	McNeil, C	Roberts, H D
Casey, Zadoc	McQueen, N	Singletary, J L
Cobb, S A	McGraw, T L	Smith, J B
Collins, T F	Mathews, J A	Stafford, S W
Delee, C P	Norwood, S J	Tousineau, D
Dickey, D N	Palmer, C S	Worsham, J H
Graves, T J	Palmer, L A	White, J A
Graves, Benjamin	Palmer, W F	Wood, C
Hunt, J M	Palmer, M W	Williams, M B
		Total—47.

*Initiated*—J. E. Norwood; A. M. Palmer.

*Passed*—J. E. Montgomery; A. M. Palmer.

*Raised*—A. M. Palmer.

*Affiliated*—E. Coleman; T. F. Collins.

*Demitted*—S. A. Cobb; Wm. Hughes; S. W. Reily.

*Died*—J. H. Worsham.

## PEARL RIVER LODGE, No. 125.

*Line Academy, (Shady Grove P. O.) Washington Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Ford, James.....	W M	Harvey, A A.....	Secretary
Warren, Wm C.....	S W	Seale, J C.....	S D
Rankin, Geo W.....	J W	Newman, Josiah.....	J D
Rankin, Wm M.....	Treasurer	Hardy, Absalom.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Adams, S W	Ford, Watson	Rankin, John W
Ard, James	Fornca, Thos J	Rouse, Chas
Ard, Joseph	Forbes, A J	Rials, Hardy
Adams, Wm H	Ford, Joseph	Rials, Brandon
Amaker, J A	Fortenbury, W G	Rester, Washington
Baxter, James	Forbes, N C	Smith, Hiram
Byrd, D S	Humphrey, B H	Smith, James E
Bateman, Hugh	McKinsey, N	Smith, James
Blackburn, G F	Moody, John	Simmons, Wm
Bateman, W F	Magee, Liah	Tate, T W A J
Bullock, Thos	Pigott, Isaac N	Vince, R W
Daniel, Robert	Pigott, N W	Warren, D R
Fornea, J A	Pearson, Isaac	Warren, S J
Ford, John W	Rankin, Wm J	Young, N B
		Total—50.

*Initiated*—Hugh Bateman; G. F. Blackburn.

*Passed*—Hugh Bateman; G. F. Blackburn.

*Raised*—Hugh Bateman; G. F. Blackburn; Thomas Bullock; N. McKinsey; Hiram Smith.

*Affiliated*—W. F. Bateman; James Ford; N. B. Young.

*Demitted*—Isaac Pearson; John W. Rankin.

*Expelled*—Washington Rester.

## ARCADIA LODGE, No. 126.

*Arcadia, Bienville Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Clement, J C.....	W M	McGuire, Jas A.....	Secretary
Givens, W T.....	S W	Caruthers, D A J.....	S D
Butler, J R.....	J W	Gray, J F.....	J D
Wheaton, R J.....	Treasurer	Ricks, J J.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Aswell, B W	Fromberger, M	Murphy, R
Brice, James	Field, W J	McGuire, Thos
Brown, Samuel	Givens, J A H	Moore, W
Billings, Ensley	Givens, J D	Matthews, A A
Baker, Darius	Goff, R T	Powell, J A
Cobb, Ira G	Harrell, John	Ricks, P H
Clampitt, G N	Henderson, P	Rich, Joseph
Cox, B	Mitchell, B S	Searcy, R M
Cox, John	Mitchell, F L	Tilley, Wm
Delony, M		Total—36.

*Initiated*—D. A. J. Caruthers; R. T. Goff; M. Fromberger; P. H. Ricks.

*Passed*—D. A. J. Caruthers; R. T. Goff; M. Fromberger; P. H. Ricks.

*Raised*—D. A. J. Caruthers; R. T. Goff; M. Fromberger; P. H. Ricks.

*Affiliated*—John Cox; J. J. Ricks.

*Demitted*—Ira G. Cobb; G. N. Clampitt; P. H. Ricks; John Cox.

## SPRINGHILL LODGE, No. 127.

*Springhill Church, Union Cross Roads, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Andrews, J T B.....	W M	Hopkins, J W.....	Secretary
Andrews, E O G.....	S W	Caskey, A F.....	S D
Slade, J H.....	J W	Tommey, J T.....	J D
Creath, J A.....	Treasurer	Everett, J P, Rev.....	Chaplain
Eckels, J B.....	Tyler		

## MEMBERS.

Buckley, H L	Green, J H	Pistole, A
Caskey, J W	Garner, T J	Pool, W T
Caskey, W H	Gully, H C	Pool, T P
Caskey, S P	Gully, S L	Pickel, W J
Caskey, J N	Hambrick, J	Rogers, G B
Clow, C W	Harper, G P	Stripling, A G
Cook, B P	Johnson, A W	Tucker, D J
Cammack, C E	Johnson, M	Townsend, R H
Clark, C C	Kelly, John	Watkins, James
Daniel, M E	McBride, D	Watkins, John
Dawkins, D D	Moore, Jas	Watkins, D A
Everett, T M	Moore, T L	Watkins, L K
Goldsby, P R	Murphy, G W	Wood, O P
Green, J E	Martin, J A	White, J T
		Total—51.

*Initiated*—M. Johnson; T. P. Pool.*Passed*—E. O. G. Andrews; M. Johnson; T. P. Pool; J. F. Gathrite; J. D. Gibson, Jr.*Raised*—E. O. G. Andrews; M. Johnson; T. P. Pool; L. K. Watkins.*Affiliated*—C. C. Clark; G. B. Rogers; J. H. Slade; R. H. Townsend.*Demitted*—James Moore; G. B. Rogers.*Died*—M. Johnson; J. A. Martin.

## DAWSON LODGE, No. 129.\*

*Scottsville, Claiborne Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Thompson, R E.....	W M	Harper, P C.....	Secretary
Gray, S.....	S W	Kennedy, S C.....	S D
Hardy, John.....	J W	Denton, Eli.....	J D
Britton, N.....	Treasurer	Kennedy, W R.....	Tyler

\* Received since closing of the Grand Lodge, and not reported on by the Committee.

## MEMBERS.

Alford, A	Hargis, J F G	Pye, B J
Bundy, J L	Hardin, Alex	Skinner, Jas J
Bruce, T W	Kinsey, E	Stanley, J E
Cate, B F	Massey, A	Stevenson, Robt
Godley, J L	Milner, Obi	Thompson, V V
Gilbert, Thos Jr	Moore, E	Thompson, John C
Haley, W H	Massey, Thos	Thornton, B F
Hart, R J	Pursley, G T	Thornton, A M
Total—32.		

*Initiated*—A. Alford; John Hardy; J. F. G. Hargis; S. C. Kennedy; A. M. Thornton; Robt. Stevenson; Chas. Vincent.

*Passed*—A. Alford; John Hardy; J. F. G. Hargis; S. C. Kennedy; W. R. Kennedy; A. M. Thornton; Robt. Stevenson; Chas. Vincent.

*Raised*—A. Alford; John Hardy; J. F. G. Hargis; S. C. Kennedy; W. R. Kennedy; A. M. Thornton; Robt. Stevenson.

*Affiliated*—P. C. Harper; Alex. Hardin; R. E. Thompson.

*Demitted*—Thos. Gilbert, Jr.

*Reinstated*—Jas. J. Skinner.

## SOLOMON LODGE. No. 130.

*Goodrich Landing, (Pecan Grove Post Office) Carroll Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Manning, A S.....	W M	Evans, Thos M.....	Secretary
Catlin, J D.....	S W	Lilly, T W.....	S D
Sale, Johnson.....	J W	Richardson, Hugh.....	J D
Hanna, P H.....	Treasurer	Smith, A C.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Atkins, Chas	Goodrich, Henry	McLean, Samuel
Bell, W D	Goodrich, Silas	Newman, A J
Bledsoe, W F	Harrell, A H	Parker, J T
Bledsoe, Cyrus	Kimball, W R	Richardson, A J
Coke, W W	Mershon, Wyatt	Rust, B F
Deeson, J S	Morgan, O J	Scarborough, T C
Deeson, W M	Morgan, O T	Skinner, N C
Devine, E M	Morgan, M	Walker, S R
Fountaine, C H		Total—33.

*Initiated*—T. W. Lilly; J. C. Erwin; J. J. Owen.

*Passed*—T. W. Lilly; A. J. Newman; J. C. Erwin.

*Raised*—T. W. Lilly; A. J. Newman.

*Affiliated*—C. H. Fountaine.

*Demitted*—Chas. Atkins; W. W. Coke; B. F. Rust.

*Died*—O. J. Morgan.

## SHILOH LODGE, No. 131.

*Shiloh, Union Parish, La.*

[No Returns.]

## WARREN LODGE, No. 132.

*Winnsboro', Franklin Parish, La.*

[No Returns.]

## GORDY LODGE, No. 133.

*Cheneyville, Rapides Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Audibert, J H. ....	W M	Marshall, G B. ....	Secretary
Slaughter, Samuel. ....	S W	McCormick, C G. ....	S D
Keary, P F. ....	J W	Long, H F. ....	J D
Scofield, L. ....	Treasurer	Riggs, W H. ....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Branch, L K	Frith, T P	Robert, J J
Clements, Thos	Gould, V	Robertson, A J
Calliham, D M	Gale, Josiah	Stafford, L A
Cheney, W F	Hendricks, R W	Stewart, W H
Chappel, J A	Hart, Robert	Thomas, J W
Drinkard, J G	Irwin, R R	Ward, Ambrose
Ewell, John	Marshall, W B	Wells, M
Ewell, W M	Pearce, Jno W	West, Isham
Ferguson, H B		Total—33.

*Initiated* in 1859—J. L. Morris. In 1860—E. N. Cullum; T. B. Helm; J. H. Marshall; J. G. Moore; S. D. McCawley; Jefferson Wells.

*Affiliated* in 1859—H. F. Long.

*Demitted*—W. F. Cheney; J. A. Chappel; John Ewell; T. P. Frith; R. R. Irwin; W. B. Marshall; John W. Pearce; Isham West.

## HARRY HILL LODGE, No. 134.

*Bastrop, Morehouse Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Todd, R B	W M	Harrison, B	Secretary
Hinson, R M	S W	Briscoe, J B	S D
Higman, J W	J W	Brodnax, A H	J D
Bobo, A J	Treasurer	Tisdale, G F	( <sup>not a</sup> member) Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Briscoe, R B	Matthews, J B	Robinson, P C
Buntin, J L	McFee, Wm	Russell, A D
Brigham, J H	McLain, R W	Starsney, Ed
Brodnax, T A	Monett, Jas	Silbernagle, W
Bonner, Wm	Nosworthy, T	Stephens, J H
Bartlett, H	Parker, J R	Swan, A A
Collier, D S	Pettit, Jas	Sellman, D H
Hall, W T	Pettiss, E B	Trousdale, T B
Howell, J D	Parsons, S G	Weeks, J C
Kemp, H B	Ross, E W	Worley, A T
Knox, A A H	Ross, Isaac A	Total—39.

*Initiated*—G. C. Hess.

*Raised*—D. H. Sellman.

*Affiliated*—R. W. McLain; J. R. Parker; A. D. Russell.

*Demitted*—E. W. Ross; Denis Rooks (E. A.). In 1859, W. N. Brice.

*Died*—R. B. Briscoe.

## PLAINS LODGE, No. 135.

*Plains Store, East Baton Rouge, La.*

[No Returns received, supposed to be lost in mail, but Lodge represented and dues paid.]

## ATHENS LODGE, No. 136.

*Athens, Claiborne Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Hays, C L.....	W M	Bridges, Wm F.....	Secretary
Brown, W P.....	S W	McFarland, H A.....	S D
Walker, N H.....	J W	Brown, E A D.....	J D
Ramsey, J R.....	Treasurer	Leatherman, Thos.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Boulware, R P	Itchingham, A	Pate, A W
Cargill, W T	Leverett, W G	Payne A H
Cargill, D	Mitchell, A	Payne, J H
Cross, Z E W	Methoin, D J	Raney, G M C
Dutton, C	Martin, N A	Ward, W W
Hardee, W T	Morris, J	
Hundley, A L	Morris, G A	
		Total—27.

*Initiated*—Z. E. W. Cross; C. Dutton.

*Passed*—Z. E. W. Cross; C. Dutton.

*Raised*—Z. E. W. Cross; C. Dutton.

*Affiliated*—W. F. Bridges; W. P. Brown; G. A. Morris; John H. Payne.

*Demitted*—R. P. Boulware; Alex. Mitchell.

## HOUMA LODGE, No. 139.

*Houma, Terrebonne Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Mercer, Wm M.....	W M	Newell, H.....	Secretary
Gagne, Joseph A.....	S W	Dunn, J B.....	S D
Aycock, Joseph.....	J W	Cross, Edward.....	J D
Delaporte, A J.....	Treasurer	Fuqua, N D.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bisland, J R	Gagne, E O	Mooring, W H
Buford, Thos	Gatewood, F W	Pelton, J M
Blahut, James	Hatch, W	Phipps, David
Bellson, John	Henley, John	Rogers, J L
Buck, H R	Jennings, J L	Semple, Joseph
Cage, A G	Lyon, L C P	Stampley, M B
Cage, D S	Loeveinstein, H	Tennent, C
Collins, H S	Miller, J S	Viola, H
Gray, W F	Miller, Elias	Washington, R W
Gagne, F		Total—36.

*Passed*—F. W. Gatewood; A. S. Helmick.

*Raised*—F. W. Gatewood.

*Affiliated*—Edwd. Cross; John Henley; M. B. Stampley.

*Demitted*—John Bellson; W. F. Gray; M. B. Stampley; R. W. Washington.

## COOL SPRING LODGE, No. 140.\*

*Cool Spring Academy, (Homer Post Office) Claiborne Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Garrett, John L.....	W M	Jarvis, A F.....	Secretary
Cleveland, R H.....	S W	Nelson, James F.....	S D
Collier, Ben.....	J W	Frost, H J.....	J D
Pool, A J.....	Treasurer	Kirkpatrick, H T.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Applewhite, J C	Gray, Wm A	Roberts, W T
Aycock, Seaborn	Gordon, G A	Robinson, Glenn
Adams, W S	Hawkins, R O	Russell, J P
Burch, J E	Kennedy, J B	Smith, J J
Brown, Thos H	Langston, J R	Scaife, Jas M
Brown, A H	Loveless, M H	Turner, J A
Brown, McN	Mangham, J G	Tigner, J T
Brown, Sidney	McClish, John	Tinsley, J B
Butler, J C	Moreland, W C	Waller, James
Duggan, Dan'l	Moreland, W T	White, R
Dernoss, H C	Oaks, W F	White, J M
Fortson, J T	Phillips, D M	
Gilmore, S H	Rowe, J J	Total—45.

\* Returns informal.



*Initiated*—Willis Jarrel.

*Affiliated*—S. Aycock; W. S. Adams; D. M. Phillips; J. M. White.

*Demitted*—J. C. Applewhite; S. Aycock; J. E. Burch; S. Brown; J. C. Butler; H. C. Dernoss; J. T. Fortson; G. A. Gordon; W. F. Oaks; D. M. Phillips; Glenn Robinson; J. A. Turner; J. B. Tinsley; R. White; J. M. White.

*Demitted in 1859*—J. W. Camp; John R. Carr; Elias Dernoss; S. Kirkpatrick; T. S. McDaniel; J. C. McDonald; W. C. Richardson.

*Reinstated*—J. G. Mangham.

## HUNTINGTON LODGE, No. 141.

*Minden, Claiborne Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Griggs, G R.....	W M	Doyle, D B.....	Secretary
Canfield, F M.....	S W	Saunders, T.....	S D
Bates, P P.....	J W	Hamilton, J B.....	J D
Chaffe, John.....	Treasurer	Montgomery, A V.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Blackburn, W J	George, A B	Johnson, J W
Bruton, B F	Grey, Simeon	Leary, Calvin
Colbert, A J	Grey, Josiah	McMahon, M P
Canfield, J M	Hamilton, D B	Quarles, J W
Culpepper, S W	Hardy, C L	Rossman, Walter
Dortch, J N	Hodges, E K	Ratliffe, J
Dean, T J	Hodges, E W	Raby, R R
Doyle, P R	Holly, N	Spencer, A
Doyle, S W	Hawkins, J M	Shields, W
Fay, E H		Total—36.

*Initiated*—J. T. Bozeman; Jno. Grider; M. P. McMahon; W. S. Lewis.

*Passed*—J. T. Bozeman; M. P. McMahon.

*Raised*—M. P. McMahon.

*Affiliated*—P. P. Bates; J. M. Hawkins; J. W. Johnson; R. R. Raby.

*Demitted*—A. J. Colbert; E. H. Fay; Simeon Gray; J. W. Quarles; Walter Rossman; A. Spencer.

*Suspended*—J. N. Dortch; T. J. Dean; Josiah Grey; C. L. Hardy; S. W. Doyle.

## DOWNSVILLE LODGE, No. 143.

*Downsville, Union Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Woodward, J E.....	W M	Stinson, G A.....	Secretary
Farmer, B F.....	S W	Hester, J W .....	S D
Callhoon, A G.....	J W	Hinton, John .....	J D
Railey, C H.....	Treasurer	Carter, John .....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Auld, J W	Hammond, M	McFarland, M
Barnes, William	Honeycutt, Alvin	Mixon, J S
Brewster, James	Honeycutt, Austin	Mayes, J A
Callaway, W S	Henry, R H	Mattox, W B
Callaway, J C	Jones, G H	McCormick, W B
Downs, H D	Larche, L	Stinson, H F
Ellis, B C	Larche, S O	Shultz, John
Greer, T J	Lucas, W A	Taylor, Elias
Total—32.		

*Initiated*—James Brewster; A. G. Callhoon; J. W. Hester; J. A. Mayes; C. P. King; R. R. Roberts; Robt. Roberts; W. R. Roberts; Jos. Shultz; N. L. Williams.

*Passed*—James Brewster; A. G. Callhoon; J. W. Hester; J. A. Mayes.

*Raised*—James Brewster; A. G. Callhoon; J. W. Hester; J. A. Mayes.

*Affiliated*—R. H. Henry; W. A. Lucas; W. B. McCormick.

*Demitted*—Alvin Honeycutt.

## OCEAN LODGE, No. 144.

*Marigny Buildings, Third District, N. O.*

## OFFICERS.

Warner, J P.....	W M	Smith, Jno H.....	Secretary
Duquercron, A.....	S W	Bourge, A.....	S D
Bügel, Fred.....	J W	Lowe, Wm.....	J D
Millsbaugh, H.....	Treasurer	Weeks, Chas.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Anderson, R	Goldman, A	Meekens, R L
Anfoux, O	Gaetz, C	Maitland, W
Andrews, G	Grote, L	McLean, John
Barnett, E	Hoomwood, W	Minott, J B
Barth, G	Heation, J	Marks, A
Bell, Thos	Howe, G	Men, Peter
Boyne, M	Hanson, M	Neil, T
Ber, H	Higgins, J C	Powers, J
Bell, J	Kock, H N	Peterson, M
Boster, C	Kohn, L	Reinhart, L
Bunck, A	King, W H	Raymond, J M
Bray, T W	Lohman, J	Smith, Wm
Church, O P	Letten, J A	Schneider, P
Clark, W	Lewis, J H	Thomas, C
Cooper, J	Long, W	Tracy, M
Conner, T	Lelienthal, B J	Wright, H
Diggs, Jos	Marshall, R J	Williams, P
England, R	Magner, Jos	Whittemore, H
Fleischer, J C	Men, C	Yorston, R
Total—65.		

*Initiated*—C. Men; J. H. Smith; H. Whittemore; A. Jensen.

*Passed*—C. Men; Wm. Smith; J. H. Smith; H. Whittemore; C. Thomas.

*Raised*—C. Men; O. P. Church; Wm. Smith; J. H. Smith; H. Whittemore; C. Thomas.

*Affiliated*—W. Maitland; H. N. Kock; W. Hoomwood; J. Lohman.

*Stricken from the Roll*—G. Howe.

## HOPE LODGE, No. 145.

*Vermillionville, Lafayette Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Girard, M E.....	W M	Brandt, Wm.....	Secretary
Caffery, J J.....	S W	Bailey, Abijah.....	S D
Martin, A V.....	J W	Martin, V D.....	J D
Voorhies, H F.....	Treasurer	Mouton, O R.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Arceneaux, P S	Dugat, R	Martin, A
Bailey, Adolphe	Dufour, A	Mouton, C H
Bernard, E	Daigle, F	Mouton, A
Coulouvrat, C	Erwin, W B	Mouton, Wm
Couret, L	Eastin, H	Total—22.

*Initiated*—E. Bernard; O. R. Mouton; Wm. Bailey; E. Ewing; F. S. Mudd.

*Passed*—E. Bernard; O. R. Mouton; Wm. Bailey.

*Raised*—E. Bernard; O. R. Mouton.

## SILENT BROTHERHOOD LODGE, No. 146.

*Coushatta Clote, Natchitoches Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

McCurdy, R A L . . . . . W M	Lisso, Julius . . . . . Secretary
Murph, John E. . . . . S W	Clark, S . . . . . S D
Wynn, Geo H. . . . . J W	Belcher, Wm H. . . . . J D
Lisso, Abram M . . . . Treasurer	Gandy, Evanda . . . . . Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Armistead, F L	Hailey, A B	Lisso, Marks
Armistead, W W	Hammett, R E	McInnies, D F
Childers, Zach	Hovey, David	Rowland, M
DeBruhl, E C	Hughis, R F	Stallings, M H
Franklin, Granville	Jones, Geo W	Wilson, J T
Harville, Hardin	Lee, Benj S	Weatherford, G W
		Total—26.

*Initiated*—E. C. DeBruhl; Marks Lisso; Jas. M. Elliott.

*Passed*—W. H. Belcher; E. C. DeBruhl; Marks Lisso; Jas. M. Elliott.

*Raised*—W. H. Belcher; Zach. Childers; E. C. DeBruhl; Julius Lisso; Marks Lisso.

*Affiliated*—R. F. Hughis; R. A. L. McCurdy.

*Died*—Hardin Harville.

## ANACOCO LODGE, No. 147.

*Anacoco P. O., Sabine Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS

Brown, John A. ....	W M	McAlpin, Mark .....	Secretary
Bray, N H. ....	S W	Stephens, T B .....	S D
Smart, L W. ....	J W	Jones, Wm .....	J D
Wright, Salem .....	Treasurer	May, David. ....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Brown, R A	Martin, R W	Smart, W W
Bray, Cavil	Mitchell, W	Smart, R J
Blackman, R	Prewitt, E D	Sibley, R L F
Chance, Eli	Ragan, J H	Thompson, J S
Cole, J J	Russell, J G	Thompson, T L
Franklin, J M	Smart, R W	West, M
McGhee, John	Smart, A C	Winfree, E A
		Total—29.

*Initiated*—R. J. Smart; J. H. Anthoney; J. G. Meloney; J. McAlister; William Gorman.

*Passed*—R. J. Smart; T. L. Thompson; J. H. Anthoney; J. G. Meloney.

*Raised*—R. J. Smart; T. L. Thompson.

*Demitted*—R. W. Martin.

*Died*—R. W. Smart.

## RED LAND LODGE, No. 148.

*Rocky Mount, Bossier Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Campbell, J B. ....	W M	Allen, J G. ....	Secretary
Rogers, A M. ....	S W	Saddler, J M. ....	S D
Holloway, J M. ....	J W	Covington, Wm. ....	J D
Engram, James .....	Treasurer	Cannon, J. ....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allen, Gideon	Holt, G W	Spurlin, A J
Adger, J E	Hughes, A B	Stanly, Wm
Broom, L A	Holly, John	Sandidge, A J
Curry, Peter	Kemp, J T	Sandlin, J H
Curry, A A	Knight, J J	Scott, J J
Edens, J E	Long, M P	Sanderson, B M
Edens, W E	Martin, M	Sanderson, E S
Ingram, J M	Martin, A	Winfrey, H R L
Ingram, E W	O'Daniel, C S	Walters, R T
Fish, W J	Perritt, Wm	Wilson, J D
Holloway, R T	Roseborough, B C	Total—40.

*Initiated*—B. M. Sanderson.

*Passed*—B. M. Sanderson.

*Raised*—B. M. Sanderson.

*Affiliated*—L. A. Broom; M. P. Long; E. S. Sanderson.

*Demitted*—E. W. Ingram; Wm. Stanly; A. J. Sandidge.

## DARLINGTON LODGE, No. 149.

*Darlington, St. Helena Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Collins, M M	W M	Nettles, J L	Secretary
Collins, O L	S W	McCraine, M H	S D
Thompson, Hez	J W	Nettles, J M	J D
Norwood, Z G	Treasurer	Snyder, Martin	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allen, T D	Hurst, W J	Rogers, Moses
Doughty, B	Hobgood, J W	Shelton, J R
Doughty, W F	Kemp, M G	Thompson, C
Davis, T K	Lee, W G	Wilson, D P
Davis, D C	Nettles, S S	Williams, Richard
Edwards, H	O'Mealio, John	Williams, R W
Graves, H S	Raborn, Q	Total—28.

*Initiated*—T. K. Davis; D. C. Davis; Wm. R. Davis; M. G. Kemp; J. M. Nettles; S. S. Nettles; M. Snyder; L. Steward.

*Passed*—T. K. Davis; D. C. Davis; Wm. R. Davis; M. G. Kemp; J. M. Nettles; S. S. Nettles; M. Snyder.

*Raised*—T. K. Davis; D. C. Davis; M. G. Kemp; J. M. Nettles; S. S. Nettles; M. Snyder.

*Affiliated*—R. W. Williams.

*Demitted*—R. W. Williams; J. R. Shelton.

## PERKINS LODGE, No. 150.

*Donaldsonville, Ascension Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Weightman, T H . . . . .	W M	Miller, H W . . . . .	Secretary
O'Hara, John . . . . .	S W	Lion, Michel . . . . .	S D
Cox, E B . . . . .	J W	Scheur, Jonathan . . . . .	J D
Cahn, Leon . . . . .	Treasurer	Rougeau, Pierre . . . . .	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Barthe, Pierre	Laughlin, John	Parker, Zedekiah
Cahn, Marx	Lawes, Wm C	Powell, A J
Claverie, J J	Lion, Leon	Parks, J H
Dalferes, A J	Lion, Elie	Pierce, D B
Dodds, J A	Mavor, C L	Supervielle, T F E
Hewitt, James W	Mershon, A L	Taylor, Silas
Isley, Charles L	Moore, R C	Taylor, R F
Israel, Marx	Nicholls, L D	Weinschenck, Salomon
Kellett, J A	Nicholls, F T	Total—34.

*Initiated*—Pierre Barthe; Marx Cahn; J. J. Claverie; A. J. Dalferes; Chas. L. Isley; Silas Taylor; Joseph Stanley; Abraham Kling; A. J. Rogers; Solomon Sterne.

*Passed*—Pierre Barthe; Marx Cahn; J. J. Claverie; A. J. Dalferes; Chas. L. Isley; A. L. Mershon; Silas Taylor; S. C. Hepburn; Joseph Stanley.

*Raised*—Pierre Barthe; Marx Cahn; J. J. Claverie; A. J. Dalferes; Chas. L. Isley; A. L. Mershon; Silas Taylor.

*Demitted*—Zedekiah Parker; A. J. Powell.

## EASTERN STAR LODGE, No. 151.

*Winnfield, Winn Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Dixon, Jno A . . . . .	W M	Bevill, Jas R . . . . .	Secretary
Edwards, Wm J . . . . .	S W	Watson, J A . . . . .	S D
Mackie, Dennis . . . . .	J W	Jenkins, T G . . . . .	J D
Hargis, Q H . . . . .	Treasurer	Teddler, B F . . . . .	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Allbright, W S	Gaus, Michael	Rogers, O G
Bernstein, P	Gray, James	Roberts, John
Banks, J P	Green, Robert J	Stovall, W B
Bell, W T	Hicks, G W	Stovall, J W
Bellamy, J F	Harrison, T O	Stone, Wm
Bridges, J L	Haddox, T J	Sims, R C
Bebee, Asa P	Howell, T W	Sims, Elijah
Bird, L G	Jackson, S	Smith, H P
Bolton, N	Jones, A H	Teddler, E W
Brock, James	Johnson, Z	Teddler, Solomon
Collins, D W	Kimbrel, D S	Teddler, Thos J
Cockerham, A	Luckey, Wm	Tannehill, D M
Cockerham, J W	Lacy, J H	Ussery, Benj
Corley, Isham T	McBride, Daniel	Womack, Jesse
Collins, Solomon	Mathis, J A	Womack, Robt
Davis, Thos	Martin, E C	Walker, Wm
Deen, Simeon	Mathis, S T	Walker, Jno L
Dickerson, J J	Moorehead, Chas	Williams, J M
Emanuel, Asa	Morris, D P	Williamson, W C
Ernest, Samuel	Parsons, C B	Womack, John
Fouts, Thos J	Parker, N W	Wright, W A
Green, Joseph J	Pierson, David	Walker, Geo H
Griffin, William	Rogers, S W	Total—76.

*Initiated*—N. Bolton; J. S. Deen; R. J. Green; S. T. Mathis; O. G. Rogers; John Roberts; W. B. Stovall.

*Passed*—N. Bolton; R. J. Green; T. W. Howell; T. G. Jenkins; S. T. Mathis; N. W. Parker; O. G. Rogers; Jno. Roberts; W. B. Stovall.

*Raised*—W. S. Allbright; N. Bolton; Jas. Gray; R. J. Green; T. W. Howell; T. G. Jenkins; Dennis Mackie; S. T. Mathis; N. W. Parker; O. G. Rogers; Jno. Roberts; W. B. Stovall; D. M. Tannehill.

*Affiliated*—J. J. Dickerson; T. J. Haddox; D. S. Kimbrel; Charles Moorehead; T. J. Teddler; W. A. Wright; Geo. H. Walker.

*Demitted*—Asa P. Bebee; L. G. Bird; J. W. Cockerham; Simeon Deen; T. O. Harrison; D. S. Kimbrel; Wm. Luckey; C. B. Parsons; W. C. Williamson.

*Died*—James Brock.

## HOMER LODGE, No. 152.

*Homer, Claiborne Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Killgore, G M.....	W M	Stacey, John W.....	Secretary
Jones, F A .....	S W	Burnham, W A .....	S D
Hill, A C .....	J W	Williams, S O .....	J D
Leak, J F .....	Treasurer	Thomas, G W .....	Tyler



## MEMBERS.

Alexander, R	Kendrick, N E	Ragland, R W
Brown, J J	Kirkpatrick, H W	Smith, J P
Brooks, J T	Lewis, D H	Scaggs, J E
Brown, W P	Leslie, M C	Thomasson, J M
Coleman, B R	Lippmins, H H	Tool, M L
Carr, W A	Murrell, John	Thigpen, B
Carr, C E	Mahon, G T	Thigpen, J H
Cornelius, M A	McKinzie, J M	Whitson, E B
Dyer, D H	Morton, J C	Warren, G W
Greer, John Sr	Nail, Mason	Warren, J G
Gladden, D W	Norton, W A	Williams, S O
Goodson, J E	Price, G W	Wilson, J M
Hamilton, T P	Price, Thos	Ward, A
Hargrove, A R	Presley, A M	Young, John
Jeter, J H	Patton, W S	Young, J S
Kellett, W A	Ross, E K W	Yates, J H

Total—56.

*Initiated*—J. E. Goodson; W. H. Gandy; J. M. Gwinn; M. C. Leslie; A. McCranie; J. C. Morton; S. O. Williams; J. W. Wilson; J. H. Yates.

*Passed*—J. E. Goodson; J. M. Gwinn; M. C. Leslie; J. C. Morton; S. O. Williams; J. W. Wilson; A. R. Hargrove; J. H. Yates.

*Raised*—J. E. Goodson; M. C. Leslie; J. C. Morton; A. R. Hargrove; B. Thigpen; J. H. Thigpen; S. O. Williams; J. H. Yates.

*Affiliated*—B. R. Coleman; H. W. Kirkpatrick; H. H. Lippmins; W. S. Patton; E. K. W. Ross; R. W. Ragland; A. Ward; J. M. Wilson.

*Demitted*—W. P. Brown; J. E. Scaggs; J. H. Yates.

*Died*—G. T. Mahon; E. B. Whitson.

## SAINTS JOHN LODGE, No. 153.

*Algiers, Parish of Orleans, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Seger, A B.....	W M	Thayer, Theophilus...	Secretary
Dodge, L J.....	S W	McCluskey, John.....	S D
Porter, T K.....	J W	Deseamus, J F.....	J D
Bass, J A.....	Treasurer	Brunett, John.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Bayley, G W R	Heaton, P W	Powell, Wm
Bell, Robert	Haight, Rufus	Richardson, John
Beddinghouse, H	Hunold, F J	Randolph, Wm
Brownlee, John	Haggett, Thos	Reeves, Geo E
Cranston, James	Jarvis, James	Sarazin, Wm
Caillie, J B	Jennings, L T	Sloan, Geo W
Dodge, L W	Kruger, George	Stafford, J E
Forrist, John	Long, D A	Schwarzenbach, H
Fortman, Anton	Mitchell, John	Shultz, Louis
Fuller, Chas	Mahoney, John	Tyler, E M
Hasam, Thos	Miles, George	Williams, Samuel
Hasling, John	McCann, John	Young, H L
Hansen, Thos	McLean, J O	Young, E H

Total—47.

*Initiated*—J. B. Caillie; E. H. Young; Wm. Fee; Jas. Seery; Louis Shultz; D. Sezetre; Joseph Lennon; H. Gerner.

*Passed*—J. B. Caillie; E. H. Young; Wm. Fee; Jas. Seery; Louis Shultz.

*Raised*—Jas. Cranston; J. B. Caillie; E. H. Young; Geo. Kriger; Louis Shultz.

*Affiliated*—Charles Fuller; L. T. Jennings; E. M. Tyler.

*Demitted*—James Cranston

*Died*—John Hasling; David Kelton (F. C.).

## FILLMORE LODGE, No. 154.

*Fillmore, Bossier Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Bledsoe, T W	W M	Ford, James	Secretary
Barnacastle, H	S W	Hamilton, W E	S D
Martin, Godfrey	J W	Harrell, C W	J D
Platt, David	Treasurer	Brothers, W E	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Applewhite, J L	Hudson, Elijah	Platt, Wm
Bryan, W B	Hodges, M L	Phelps, J A
Bledsoe, J M	Key, W H	Regan, John
Collins, J H	Lyons, H J	Rawls, Wm
Dortch, W E	Lawrence, A	Ray, W G
Ferguson, J A	Lock, E B	Saxon, J T
Garner, W T	Lanc, B F	Snider, T A
Hodges, J C	McDade, A J	Springfield, W G
Hodges, M H	McDade, D T	Sanders, J H
Henderson, D J	Miller, Jacob	Walker, J C

Total—38.

*Initiated*—W. H. Key; B. F. Lane; J. A. Phelps; J. C. Barton.

*Passed*—W. H. Key; B. F. Lane; J. A. Phelps.

*Raised*—W. H. Key; B. F. Lane; J. A. Phelps; Wm. Rawls.

*Affiliated*—W. E. Dortch.

*Demitted*—E. B. Locke; J. C. Walker.

## CHERRY RIDGE LODGE, No. 155.

*Cherry Ridge, Union Parish, La.*

[No Returns.]

## KISSATCHIE LODGE No. 156.

*Kissatchie, Natchitoches Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Fuller, W M.....	W M	Bishop, J M.....	Secretary
Hawkins, J E.....	S W	Phares, J K.....	S D
McNeely, N G.....	J W	McNeely, J T.....	J D
Collins, W A.....	Treasurer	Mathews, Wm.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Bolton, John	Key, Jas J	Powell, Isaac
Collins, H D	Lynch, B M	Self, W J
Collins, J M	Nash, L J	Smith, T M
Davis, W M	Nash, J J	Weldon, Green
Hawkins, M P	Owings, W P	
Kile, Jacob	Owen, B D	
		Total—24.

*Initiated*—W. M. Davis; J. J. Key; J. J. Lynch; G. W. Airhart; G. W. Cobb.

*Passed*—W. M. Davis; J. J. Key; J. J. Lynch; G. W. Airhart.

*Raised*—W. M. Davis; J. J. Key.

*Affiliated*—J. M. Bishop; W. A. Collins; W. M. Fuller.

*Died*—Isaac Powell.

## GROSSE-TETE LODGE, No. 157.

*Rosedale P. O., Iberville Parish, La.*

[No Returns.]

## RAPIDES LODGE, No. 158.

*Huddleston P. O., Rapides Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Burr, G B.....	W M	Cooper, Lewis.....	Secretary
Smith, Geo A.....	S W	Gill, P L.....	S D
Gill, Thos J.....	J W	Williams, A B.....	J D
Fennell, Dempsey....	Treasurer	Williams, H A.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Ainsworth, A	Hambleton, Isaac	Speights, Z R
Burr, C B	Hillyer, Jno C	Stanly, M H
Blocker, Micajah	Iles, H W	Simmons, David
Clifton, Jno A	Iles, John	Simmons, Valentine
Duncan, J S	Johnson, A C	Shelton, W B
Eddleman, J P	Knight, J C	Turner, J C
Hewitt, J T	Knight, T S	Turner, Stephen
Hale, Alex	Knight, D R	Word, Jas H
Hatch, J T	Liles, John M	Wilson, Alex
Hunt, C C	Luttrell, R A	West, John M
Harper, Saml	Lewis, Allen	Wells, Joseph T
Huddleston, W J	Perkins, B G	Total—43.

*Initiated*—Samuel Harper; James M. Landrum.*Passed*—Samuel Harper.*Raised*—Samuel Harper.*Affiliated*—Micajah Blocker; John A. Clifton; Wm. J. Huddleston; M. H. Stanly; Joseph T. Wells.*Demitted*—C. B. Burr; Stephen Turner; Jno. M. West.

**MORGANZA LODGE, No. 159.***Morganza, Point Coupée Parish, La.***OFFICERS.**

Smith, Parker.....	W M	Comfort, C L.....	Secretary
Clark, John T.....	S W	Bracewell, J M.....	S D
Villeret, J B.....	J W	Motlow, J M .....	J D
Morgan, Jas A.....	Treasurer	Decoux, Chas.....	Tyler

**MEMBERS.**

Anderson, John	Hale, C G	Pullin, John W
Bondy, A	Henderson, M G	Robinson, B
Brown, Alf	Hosea, C E	Ray, C W
Boyce, J E	Hudson, J S	Strother, J T
Baker, Chas	Joffrain, P	Villeret, Chas
Barrow, Wm	Jackson, A W	Vosberg, J H
Coyle, W T	Kaufman, P G	Vignes, Adelon
Cain, Jas	Loftin, E F	Vignes, Adolph
Derrum, L C	Lejune, Ovide	Watson, Jno P
Elliott, Jas J	Mills, Jas	Watkins, L B
Falconer, W R	McRae, R W	Wilson, W C
Harbour, Wm A	Maebius, Jno	Yoist, John
Hess, Wm	Newsom, J W	Yoist, Frank

Total—47.

*Initiated*—Chas. Baker; Wm. Barrow; E. F. Loftin; James Mills; J. W. Pullin; C. W. Ray; W. C. Wilson; J. B. St. Cyr; J. D. Vigne; B. Dagress; F. Jewell; L. Levi; J. W. Pilant; W. Pittman; Jno. R. Williams.

*Passed*—Chas. Baker; Wm. Barrow; E. F. Loftin; James Mills; J. W. Pullin; C. W. Ray; S. Doherty; J. B. St. Cyr; J. D. Vigne; Adolph Vignes; Frank Yoist; W. C. Wilson; W. T. Coyle; E. Pullin.

*Raised*—Chas. Baker; Wm. Barrow; W. T. Coyle; W. R. Falconer; M. G. Henderson; E. F. Loftin; Jas. Mills; J. W. Pullin; C. W. Ray; W. C. Wilson; John Yoist; Frank Yoist; Adolph Vignes.

*Affiliated*—Chas. L. Comfort.

*Demitted*—C. C. Picket; E. Pullin (f. c.).

**LIVINGSTON LODGE, No. 160.***Ponchitoula, Livingston Parish, La.***OFFICERS.**

Hoyt, S S.....	W M	Jones, William .....	Secretary
Akers, William.....	S W	Burns, B F.....	S D
Tucker, Warren.....	J W	Tucker, Yolotes.....	J D
Chaffman, Lorin.....	Treasurer	Robertson, Wm B.....	Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Addison, J W	Grenes, Christian	Poindexter, C B
Bankston, W W	Hammond, Wm	Robertson, A B
Bankston, G W	Hellmicht, J P	Robertson, D T
Bankston, Y S	Johnson, H	Settoon, D T
Bankston, N M	Kemp, Simpson	Starns, P F
Bankston, S M	Lower, J M	Settoon, W B
Beatty, Daniel	Lard, Noah	Southerland, A
Bradley, Alfred	Loveland, J H	Tucker, A G
Carter, M T	Lanier, R N	White, C W
Colmer, Geo	Mahoney, J M	Watson, Wm
Calemus, N B	Morgan, John	Wilson, W D
Gosselin, P C		Total—42.

*Initiated*—Daniel Beatty; Alfred Bradley; Lorin Chapman; N. B. Calemus; J. P. Hellmicht; John Morgan; C. B. Poindexter; W. B. Settoon; Yolotes Tucker; Warren Tucker; A. G. Tucker; Wm. Watson; W. D. Wilson; Philip Brennen; J. B. Robertson; T. M. Akers; Avery Breed; J. N. Lanier; Chris. McGahn; Spencer Tucker; Wm. Tucker; W. S. Rounds.

*Passed*—Daniel Beatty; Alfred Bradley; Lorin Chapman; N. B. Calemus; J. P. Hellmicht; John Morgan; C. B. Poindexter; W. B. Settoon; Yolotes Tucker; Warren Tucker; A. G. Tucker; Wm. Watson; W. D. Wilson; Philip Brennen; J. B. Robertson.

*Raised*—Daniel Beatty; Alfred Bradley; Lorin Chapman; N. B. Calemus; J. P. Hellmicht; H. Johnson; Simpson Kemp; John Morgan; C. B. Poindexter; W. B. Settoon; Yolotes Tucker; Warren Tucker; A. G. Tucker; Wm. Watson; W. D. Wilson.

*Affiliated*—A. Southerland.

*Died*—Christian Grenes; Jas. H. Loveland.

## BROOKVILLE LODGE, No. 161.

*Lake Lafourche, Morehouse Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Myers, W G.....W M	Myers, T W.....Secretary
Beauchamp, D S.....S W	Myers, Jno P.....S D
Phillips, R E.....J W	McGowan, J E.....J D
Webb, J M.....Treasurer	Jones, J H.....Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Barton, C T	Eastman, J H P	Muir, J R
Booth, E P	Hatch, C J	Myers, A P
Branch, Jas	Henly, J W	Pipes, A S
Brown, J P	Higginbotham, W D	Ryan, P M
Conger, A B	Higginbotham, C	Rice, L
Dyer, Wm	Malone, G F	Worley, S N
Eason, C W, Sr	McAdams, T B	Wright, P H
Eason, J J	McGee, C L	Young, G W
Eason, C W, Jr		Total—33.

*Initiated*—J. H. P. Eastman (1859); J. J. Eason; C. W. Eason, Jr.; J. R. Muir; L. Rice; A. W. Bridges.

*Passed*—J. H. P. Eastman; J. J. Eason; C. W. Eason, Jr.; J. R. Muir; L. Rice; A. W. Bridges.

*Raised*—J. H. P. Eastman; J. J. Eason; C. W. Eason, Jr.; G. F. Malone; J. R. Muir; L. Rice; P. H. Wright; J. H. Jones.

*Affiliated*—Jas. Branch; J. P. Brown; C. W. Eason, Sr.; C. Higginbotham.

*Demitted*—Jas. Branch; G. F. Malone.

*Died*—A. P. Myers; I. F. Ginn (E. A.).

## BURNSVILLE LODGE, No. 162.

*Shangaloo, Claiborne Parish, La.*

## OFFICERS.

Baucum, Shelby . . . . . W M	Lennard, Isaac L. . . . . Secretary
Burns, J W . . . . . S W	Blackburn, J M . . . . . S D
Marshall, Smith . . . . . J W	Graham, Abraham . . . . . J D
Modisett, Samuel . . . . . Treasurer	Graham, M V B . . . . . Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Alverson, E M	Fuller, J M	Sandlin, Elijah
Allen, J B	Graham, Jas	Simms, W
Burns, T F	Lambright, Isaac G	Smith, M J
Burns, J A	Lockhart, A D	Walden, J J
Burns, C B	McGlover, M	Wise, J G
Burns, W O	McCarty, A	Watson, A J
Berley, J Y	Mixon, C S	Wallace, H B
Doss, M B	Magee, M M	Wallace, G B
Dove, John	Price, Redic	Total—34.

*Initiated*—E. M. Alverson; Jas. Graham; Isaac G. Lambright; J. C. Bailey; G. M. Elliott; M. C. Berry; J. M. Doss; Edmond Marshall; N. Meeks; L. B. Foster; W. G. Sikes.

*Passed*—E. M. Alverson; W. O. Burns; J. Y. Berley; Jas. Graham; J. L. Lennard; Isaac G. Lambright; J. G. Wise; J. C. Bailey; Wm. Lennard; W. J. Jones.

*Raised*—E. M. Alverson; C. B. Burns; W. O. Burns; J. Y. Berley; Jas. Graham; J. L. Lennard; Isaac G. Lambright; Redie Price; J. J. Walden; J. G. Wise.

*Affiliated*—J. A. Burns; C. S. Mixon.

*Demitted*—E. M. Alverson; John Dove; Jno. M. Fuller; J. L. Lennard; A. D. Lockhart; M. J. Smith; J. G. Wise.

*Suspended*—M. M. Magee; M. J. Smith.

*Reinstated*—A. D. Lockhart; M. J. Smith.

## ATCHAFALAYA LODGE, No. 163.

*Simmsport, Avoyelles Parish, La.*

### OFFICERS.

Babbit, F H.....	W M	Wells, S M.....	Secretary
McCrea, J J.....	S W	Robinson, J B.....	S D
Brown, Alfred .....	J W	Barbre, S.....	J D
Calliham, H G.....	Treasurer	Thomas, S M.....	Tyler

### MEMBERS.

Armstrong, W E	Jones, J C	Smith, Samuel
Belson, John	Keller, L	Steindorf, T A
Blakewood, B W	Kirk, J B	Stribling, S R
Boone, R M	Nesmith, F J	Way, J W O
Calliham, James	Norwood, I T	White, H N
Gayle, J R	Rogers, S T	Whitley, P J
Harmanson, T P	Shirley, Wm	Wood, John

Total—29.

*Initiated*—T. A. Steindorf; Allen Cook; J. H. Harmanson; W. J. Rusk.

*Passed*—T. A. Steindorf; J. T. Brooks; Allen Cook; R. F. F. French; L. T. North.

*Raised*—T. P. Harmanson; J. B. Kirk; T. A. Steindorf.

*Affiliated*—John Belson; B. W. Blakewood; Alfred Brown; Jas. R. Gayle; J. W. O. Way; John Wood.



**COLUMBIA LODGE, No. 164.***Columbia, Caldwell Parish, La.***OFFICERS.**

Varner, Jno F.....	W M	Hill, Jno C.....	Secretary
Levy, Jacob.....	S W	Chaffin, N L.....	S D
Boyd, Jas A.....	J W	Blanks, J D.....	J D
Blanks, F A.....	Treasurer	Saucier, J G.....	Tyler

**MEMBERS.**

Blanks, R A	Evans, T J	Meredith, J M
Bridger, J C	Everett, W A	Redditt, W C
Barker, Jas	Hough, W H	Stringer, J J
Butler, J J	Hogan, Wm	Simmons, Mason
Bridger, R D	Haas, Isaac L	Wright, J E
Total—23.		

*Initiated*—R. D. Bridger; J. N. Dial; J. S. Moffett; F. W. Stroud.*Passed*—J. J. Butler; R. D. Bridger; J. J. Stringer.*Raised*—J. J. Butler; R. D. Bridger; J. J. Stringer.*Affiliated*—Mason Simmons.**LAKE CHARLES LODGE, No. 165.***Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish, La.***OFFICERS.**

Sanders, Joel.....	W M	Moelling, F G.....	Secretary
Goos, Daniel.....	S W	Gill, W E.....	S D
Read, David J.....	J W	Sims, E K.....	J D
Ryan, Jacob.....	Treasurer	Burnett, Alfred.....	Tyler

**MEMBERS.**

Alexander, A A	Lecoq, J O	Reeves, Geo, Sr
Christian, James	Pujo, Amadie	Reeves, G W, Jr
Cole, E L	Platz, Peter	Total—16.

*Initiated*—Jas. T. Smith.*Passed*—Jas. T. Smith.*Affiliated*—Daniel Goos; F. G. Moelling.

**EXCELSIOR LODGE, U. D.***Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, corner of St. Charles and Perdido streets, N. O.*

[Charter granted February 12th, 1861—No. 166.]

**OFFICERS.**

Noyes, O J.....W M      Shaw, R O .....S W  
 Hebert, Victor .....J W

**MEMBERS.**

Berthelot, W H	Dunbar, A F	Mackey, J G
Beach, E D	Day, L P	McRae, R W
Bruce, R L	Gordon, A H	McDonald, J R
Butler, S L	Gould, C W	Scratchley, Geo
Benedict, N B	Hancock, E C	Smith, James
Dostie, A P	Huchez, C	Smith, Gardner
Drew, E S	Jonte, C V	Thayer, F N

Total—24.

*Initiated*—W. H. Berthelot; E. D. Beach; R. L. Bruce; S. L. Butler; A. F. Dunbar; A. H. Gordon; C. W. Gould; E. C. Hancock; C. Huchez; Geo. Scratchley; Gardner Smith; F. N. Thayer; S. S. Riddell.

*Passed*—W. H. Berthelot; E. D. Beach; R. L. Bruce; S. L. Butler; A. F. Dunbar; E. S. Drew; A. H. Gordon; E. C. Hancock; C. Huchez; C. W. Gould; Geo. Scratchley; Gardner Smith; F. N. Thayer.

*Raised*—W. H. Berthelot; E. D. Beach; R. L. Bruce; S. L. Butler; E. S. Drew; A. F. Dunbar; A. H. Gordon; C. W. Gould; E. C. Hancock; C. Huchez; Geo. Scratchley; Gardner Smith; F. N. Thayer.

*Affiliated*—L. P. Day; Jas. Smith; E. S. Drew (E. A.).

*Died*—C. V. Jonte; R. O. Shaw; James Smith.

**LINN WOOD LODGE, U. D.***City of Jefferson, Jefferson Parish, La.*

[Charter granted February 13th, 1861.—No. 167.]

**OFFICERS.**

McGinnis, T.....W M      McDuff, Wm.....S W  
 Davenport, Isom.....J W

## MEMBERS.

Aycock, J T	Greathouse, W R	Ulmer, John
Abel, Henry	Heffelfinger, John	Williams, H H
Burgess, W L	Lemle, D	Wolf, Simon
Buford, R M	Michell, J T	Wood, David
Cutler, W C	Nafe, Daniel	Wilkins, Clement
Chamberlain, J	Romine, H H	Williams, John
Clohecy, R J	Savers, A	White, Edwin
Frank, William	Scruggs, E L	
Gitzinger, Joseph	Tomlin, W S	
		Total—28.

*Initiated*—Henry Abel; R. M. Buford; R. J. Clohecy; Wm. Frank; J. Gitzinger; John Heffelfinger; J. T. Michell; Daniel Nafe; W. S. Tomlin; John Ulmer; C. Wilkins; John Williams; Edwin White; J. Joachim; G. W. Train.

*Passed*—Henry Abel; R. M. Buford; R. J. Clohecy; Wm. Frank; J. Gitzinger; John Heffelfinger; J. T. Michell; Daniel Nafe; W. S. Tomlin; John Ulmer; C. Wilkins; John Williams; Edwin White.

*Raised*—Henry Abel; R. M. Buford; R. J. Clohecy; Wm. Frank; J. Gitzinger; John Heffelfinger; J. T. Michell; Daniel Nafe; W. S. Tomlin; John Ulmer; C. Wilkins; John Williams; Edwin White.

*Affiliated*—James Chamberlain; W. R. Greathouse; D. Lemle; H. H. Romine; E. L. Scruggs; George Wiltbank (E. A.).

*Died*—Daniel Nafe.

## MONTGOMERY LODGE, U. D.

*Montgomery, Winn Parish, La.*

[Charter granted February 13th, 1861.—No. 168.]

## OFFICERS.

Colier, T S.....W M      Butler, B T.....S W  
Williamson, W C.....J W

## MEMBERS.

Ballard, Henry	Harrison, T O	Strother, J D
Bernstein, S	Jones, J W	Sutton, S
Bird, L G	Kelton, J C	Turner, W S
Cockraham, J W	Kimball, D S	Turner, C M
Cooper, J M	Means, B H	Wilder, J J
Dunn, C C	Powers, H C	Wilson, W J
Gilcoat, W W	Ragan, A V	
Hardy, David	Shumate, T	
		Total—25.

*Initiated*—H. Ballard; C. C. Dunn; David Hardy; J. W. Jones; H. C. Powers; T. Shumate; W. J. Wilson; T. J. Harvey; W. W. Seals.

*Passed*—H. Ballard; C. C. Dunn; David Hardy; J. W. Jones; H. C. Powers; T. Shumate; W. J. Wilson.

*Raised*—H. Ballard; C. C. Dunn; David Hardy; J. W. Jones; H. C. Powers; T. Shumate; W. J. Wilson.

*Affiliated*—L. G. Bird; J. W. Cockraham; T. O. Harrison; D. S. Kimball; B. H. Means; J. D. Strother; S. Sutton.

*Died*—J. J. Wilder.

## HAYNESVILLE LODGE, U. D.

*Haynesville, Claiborne Parish, La.*

[Charter granted February 13th, 1861—No. 169.]

### OFFICERS.

Oaks, W L.....	W M	Phillips, D M.....	S W
Camp, J W.....		J W	

### MEMBERS.

Browning, J A	Houston, T W	Nelson, N L
Butler, J C	Johnson, L B	Pullam, James
Dawson, O H P	Kelly, James	Peters, N W
Garrett, C P	Kirkpatrick, S	White, J M
Hicks, Jefferson	Moon, Jacob	Wroten, B W
Hicks, Thomas		Total—19.

*Initiated*—P. C. Collier; W. T. Maddox; R. M. Oaks; N. W. Peters; J. Short.

*Passed*—P. C. Collier; W. T. Maddox; P. T. Maddox; N. W. Peters.

*Raised*—N. W. Peters.

*Affiliated*—J. C. Butler; C. P. Garrett; T. W. Houston; B. W. Wroten; E. D. Moss (E. A.).



## LOUISIANA RELIEF LODGE, No. 1.

[Meetings—First Sunday in each month, in Grand Lodge Hall.]

## OFFICERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES.

JAMES B. SCOT, W M.....Grand Lodge Hall, corner of St.  
Charles and Perdido streets.  
D. E. SCRUGGS, S W .....No. 45 Magazine street.  
J. O. DeCASTRO, J. W .....No. 25 Chartres street.  
SAMUEL M. TODD, Treasurer...No. 76 Magazine st., near Poydras.  
A. DeSOLA, Secretary .....No. 43 Chartres street,  
JOHN C. WOOD, S. D.  
CHAS. BATEMAN, J. D.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

PERFECT UNION LODGE, No. 1.  
A. Pitot, Jr., O. DeBuys, C. DeBlanc.  
FRIENDS OF HARMONY LODGE, No. 58.  
Samuel Harby, J. H. Clarke, J. O. DeCastro.  
GEORGE WASHINGTON LODGE, No. 65.  
G. Sontag, A. E. Dick, Warren Davis.  
DUDLEY LODGE, No. 66.  
W. H. Stewart, S. I. Guillet, H. F. Hall.  
MARION LODGE, No. 68.  
D. E. Scruggs, Joshua Jackson, Jos. P. Horner.  
ALPHA HOME LODGE, No. 72.  
J. C. Batchelor, S. L. Bishop, R. W. Stanley.  
QUITMAN LODGE, No. 76.  
Wm. H. Seaman, T. A. Bartlette, John C. Wood.  
LOUISIANA LODGE, No. 102.  
Wm. C. Driver, Aaron Harris, T. S. Boardman  
OCEAN LODGE, No. 144.  
J. P. Warner, A. Duquercron, F. Biigel.

## NON-CONTRIBUTING LODGES IN THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS.

POLAR STAR LODGE, No. 1.	FOYER MAÇONNIQUE, No. 44.
CONCORDE LODGE, No. 3.	GERMANIA LODGE, No. 46.
PERSEVERANCE LODGE, No. 4.	MOUNT MORIAH LODGE, No. 59.
St ANDREW LODGE, No. 5.	HIRAM LODGE, No. 70.
LOS AMIGOS DEL ORDEN, No. 5.	ORLEANS LODGE, No. 78.
SILENCIO LODGE, No. 9.	HERMITAGE LODGE, No. 98.
EXCELSIOR LODGE, No. 166.	

# REGISTER OF LODGES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

NAMES OF LODGES.		NO.	WHERE LOCATED.	DATE CHARTER.		MASTERS' NAMES.	SECRETARIES' NAMES.
1	Perfect Union .....	1	New Orleans, Rampart, between Main and St. Philip streets...	July	12, 1812	A. Pitot, Jr.....	C. Laffon .....
2	Polar Star.....	1	" " " " " "	July	12, 1812	A. R. Morel.....	E. de St. Romes.....
3	Concorde.....	3	" " " " " "	July	12, 1812	J. B. Sorapuru.....	S. Meilleur.....
4	Perseverance .....	4	New Orleans, corner Main and St. Claude streets.....	July	12, 1812	F. Ricau.....	François Meilleur...
5	Los Amigos del Orden..	5	New Orleans, Rampart, between Main and St. Philip streets..	Sept.	24, 1842	Marco Antonio.....	S. M. Lopez.....
6	St. Andrew.....	5	New Orleans, Conti, between Villeré and Robertson streets...	June	3, 1839	E. Danty.....	J. Pausas.....
7	Silencio.....	9	New Orleans, corner Main and St. Claude streets.....	Feb.	12, 1861	V. A. DeCastro.....	Bernardo Carrillo...
8	Humble Cottage.....	19	Opelousas, St. Landry Parish, Louisiana.....	June	12, 1820	J. M. Porter.....	Sam'l E. Loëb.....
9	St. Albans.....	28	Jackson, East Feliciana, Louisiana.....	July	12, 1827	W. T. Rogillio.....	E. C. Kiblinger.....
10	Feliciania.....	31	St. Francisville, West Feliciana, Louisiana.....	March	9, 1828	Sam'l J. Powell .....	G. W. Miller.....
11	Phoenix.....	38	Natchitoches, Louisiana.....	Oct.	6, 1836	John Blair Smith....	Wm. P. Morrow.....
12	Foyer Maçonnique .....	44	New Orleans, Rampart, between Main and St. Philip streets..	Oct.	7, 1838	U. Marinoni.....	P. Brugier, Jr.....
13	Jackson*.....	45	Greenwood, Caddo Parish, Louisiana .....	Jan.	28, 1843	.....	.....
14	Germania.....	46	New Orleans, St. Louis, near Claiborne street.....	April	18, 1844	John Gerlach.....	Chas. Fischer.....
15	St. James.....	47	Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	June	28, 1844	Sam'l M. Hart.....	F. R. Brunot.....
16	Providence .....	50	Lake Providence, Louisiana.....	April	19, 1845	R. N. Campbell.....	Chas. R. Purdy.....
17	Minden.....	51	Minden, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana .....	April	19, 1845	J. W. Berry.....	Alfred Landsberg....
18	Olive.....	52	Clinton, East Feliciana, Louisiana.....	Nov.	27, 1845	G. W. Munday.....	T. H. D'Armond....
19	Union Fraternal.....	53	Farmersville, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Sept.	21, 1845	John L. Barrett.....	Wm. C. Smith.....
20	Mt. Gerizim.....	54	Bastrop, Morehouse Parish, Louisiana .....	Nov.	28, 1846	R. D. Marble.....	W. L. McMurtry.....
21	DeSoto.....	55	Mansfield, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana.....	March	27, 1847	N. A. Sutherland .....	B. F. Jackson.....
22	Lafayette .....	56	Vernon, Jackson Parish, Louisiana.....	Nov.	27, 1847	John C. Jones.....	E. A. Wilson.....
23	Franklin.....	57	Franklin, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan.	25, 1848	H. H. Smith.....	C. M. Smith.....
24	Friends of Harmony...	58	New Orleans, G. L. Hall, cor. St. Charles and Perdido streets	April	22, 1848	Sam'l Harby.....	A. DeSola .....
25	Mt. Moriah .....	59	New Orleans, Odd Fellows' Hall, cor. Camp and Lafayette sts	March	24, 1849	Walter Nicol.....	Jas. Furneaux.....
26	Western Star .....	61	Monroe, Ouachita Parish, Louisiana.....	May	1, 1849	Joseph F. McGuire..	John A. McGuire....
27	Tunica.....	63	Tunica Landing, Louisiana .....	Jan.	28, 1850	H. Hobgood.....	W. T. Cox.....
28	George Washington....	65	New Orleans, G. L. Hall, cor. St. Charles and Perdido streets	March	4, 1850	Gustavus Sontag.....	James B. Scot.....
29	Dudley .....	66	" " " " " "	March	4, 1850	Wm. H. Stewart.....	J. W. Shearer .....
30	Marion.....	68	" " " " " "	March	4, 1850	D. E. Scruggs.....	R. H. Browne.....
31	Hiram .....	70	" " " " " "	March	4, 1850	Timothy Carroll.....	J. M. C. Brady.....
32	Alpha Home.....	72	" " " " " "	Feb.	14, 1850	J. C. Batchelor.....	Chas. Bateman.....
33	Sabine .....	75	Fort Jesup, Sabine Parish, Louisiana.....	March	4, 1850	Chas. Beck.....	Geo. P. Rains.....
34	Quitman.....	76	New Orleans, G. L. Hall, cor. St. Charles and Perdido streets	March	4, 1850	Wm. H. Seaman.....	H. J. Stansbury.....
35	Mt. Moriah.....	77	Port Hudson, Parish of East Feliciana, Louisiana.....	March	4, 1850	R. W. Troth.....	J. W. Fuqua.....
36	Orleans.....	78	New Orleans, G. L. Hall, cor. St. Charles and Perdido streets	March	4, 1850	S. B. Churchill.....	H. C. Merrifield.....
37	St. Joseph*.....	79	St. Joseph, Tensas Parish, Louisiana.....	March	4, 1850	.....	.....

# REGISTER OF LODGES-Continued.

	NAMES OF LODGES.	NO.	WHERE LOCATED.	DATE CHARTER.	MASTERS' NAMES.	SECRETARIES' NAMES.
38	DeWitt Clinton.....	80	Marion, Union Parish, Louisiana .....	March 4, 1850	Isaac Newton.....	J. B. Wallace.....
39	Mt. Vernon.....	83	Logansport, Louisiana .....	March 4, 1850	John Cuthbertson....	N. B. Coday.....
40	Oliver.....	84	Alexandria, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	Wm. B. Hyman.....	Rosemond Legras...
41	Pleasant Hill†.....	86	Pleasant Hill, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana.....			
42	Lafayette.....	87	Pattersonville, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	N. Keyes.....	Bernard Levy.....
43	Many.....	88	Many, Sabine Parish, Louisiana .....	March 4, 1850	Wm B. Stille.....	S. A. Eason.....
44	Cypress.....	89	Collinsburg, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	J. T. Turnley.....	W. M. Sentell.....
45	Thibodaux Benevolent	90	Thibodaux, Lafourche Interior, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1851	B. G. Thibodaux.....	R. A. New.....
46	Livonia†.....	91	Livonia, Pointe Coupée Parish, Louisiana .....			
47	Monticello.....	92	Monticello, Carroll Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1851	T. F. Gaddis.....	J. W. Draughon.....
48	Napoleon.....	94	Marion, Union Parish, Louisiana .....	Jan. 21, 1851	L. K. Thomas.....	Benj. Ford.....
49	St. Helena.....	96	Greensburg, St. Helena Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1851	W. A. Carter.....	Wm. A. Gill.....
50	Hermitage.....	98	New Orleans, corner Magazine and Philip streets	Jan. 21, 1851	Dan'l Wilson.....	P. L. Bouloeq.....
51	Henderson.....	99	Cotile, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1851	L. E. Texada.....	
52	Franklinton.....	101	Franklinton, Washington Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1851	John Wadsworth.....	John J. Slocum.....
53	Louisiana.....	102	New Orleans, G. L. Hall, cor. St. Charles and Perdido streets	Jan. 23, 1851	Wm. C. Driver.....	Fred. E. Hoyt.....
54	Cloutierville.....	103	Cloutierville, Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1852	S. O. Scruggs.....	Geo. Hortman.....
55	Mt. Lebanon.....	104	Mt. Lebanon, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1852	John G. Randle.....	J. C. Rogers.....
56	Trinity.....	105	Trinity, Catahoula Parish, Louisiana .....	Jan. 21, 1852	John W. Buhoup.....	B. M. Carter.....
57	Vienna.....	106	Vienna, Jackson Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1852	J. W. Calcote.....	A. B. C. Winfrey.....
58	Sparta *.....	108	Sparta, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1852		
59	Castor.....	109	Castor, Caldwell Parish, Louisiana .....	Jan. 21, 1852	W. L. DeGraffenreidt	Wm. M. Raymond...
60	Harrisonburg.....	110	Harrisonburg, Catahoula Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1852	Geo. H. Wells.....	Abraham Conn.....
61	Urim.....	111	Forksville, Ouachita Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 2, 1853	Frank N. Marks.....	Jas. L. McCarter....
62	Bartholomew.....	112	Plantersville, Morehouse Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 25, 1853	A. S. Washburn.....	N. S. Greenwood....
63	Thomas Jefferson.....	113	Spearsville, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 25, 1853	Wm. L. Spears.....	Sidney H. Griffin....
64	Friendship *.....	114	Woodville, Jackson Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 25, 1853		
65	Shreveport.....	115	Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 27, 1852	J. W. Jones.....	J. H. Brownlee.....
66	Acacia!.....	116	Plaquemine, Iberville Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 17, 1854	John Marcot.....	Alfred Hall.....
67	Milford.....	117	Manchac Settlement, East Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	Jan. 20, 1854	T. W. Brown.....	T. J. Singeltary.....
68	Terryville *.....	118	Quay Post Office, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 17, 1854		
69	Constantine.....	119	Waterproof, Tensas Parish, Louisiana .....	Jan. 17, 1854	W. F. Lynch.....	J. A. Reed.....
70	Deerfield.....	120	Deerfield, Carroll Parish, Louisiana .....	Jan. 17, 1854	John H. Callaway....	M. M. Munholland..
71	Lisbon.....	121	Lisbon, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana .....	Jan. 17, 1854	W. J. Lesley.....	J. M. Tait.....
72	Mackey.....	122	Ringgold, Bienville Parish, Louisiana .....	Jan. 20, 1854	J. C. Theus.....	Thos. E. Dickey.....
73	Liberty *.....	123	Keachi, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855		
74	Kellertown.....	124	Kellertown, East Feliciana, Louisiana .....	Feb. 14, 1855	A. J. Norwood.....	J. C. Reily.....



75 Pearl River.....	125 Line Academy (Shady Grove), Washington Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	James Ford.....	A. A. Harvey.....
76 Arcadia.....	126 Arcadia, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	James C. Clement.....	Jas. A. McGuire.....
77 Springhill.....	127 Springhill Church, Union Cross Roads, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	J. T. B. Andrews.....	J. W. Hopkins.....
78 Dawson.....	129 Scottville, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	R. E. Thompson.....	P. C. Harper.....
79 Solomon.....	130 Goodrich Landing, Pecan Grove P. O., Carroll Parish, La.....	Feb. 17, 1855	A. S. Manning.....	Thos. M. Evans.....
80 Shiloh *.....	131 Shiloh, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	.....	.....
81 Warren *.....	132 Winnsboro, Franklin Parish Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	.....	.....
82 Gordy.....	133 Cheneyville, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	J. H. Audibert.....	G. B. Marshall.....
83 Harry Hill.....	134 Bastrop, Morehouse Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	R. B. Todd.....	B. Harrison.....
84 Plains *.....	135 Plains Store, East Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1856	.....	.....
85 Athens.....	136 Athens, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1856	Charles L. Hayes.....	Wm. F. Bridges.....
86 Houma.....	139 Houma, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1856	Wm. M. Mercer.....	H. Newell.....
87 Cool Spring.....	140 Cool Spring Academy, Homer P. O., Claiborne Parish, La.....	Feb. 12, 1856	John L. Garrett.....	A. F. Jarvis.....
88 Huntington.....	141 Minden, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1856	G. R. Griggs.....	D. B. Doyle.....
89 Downsville.....	143 Downsville, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1856	J. E. Woodward.....	G. A. Stinson.....
90 Ocean.....	144 New Orleans, Marigny Buildings, Third District.....	Feb. 10, 1857	J. P. Warner.....	John H. Smith.....
91 Hope.....	145 Vermillionville, Lafayette Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1857	M. E. Girard.....	Wm. Brandt.....
92 Silent Brotherhood.....	146 Coushatta Chute, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1857	R. A. L. McCurdy.....	Julius Lisso.....
93 Anacoco.....	147 Anacoco Post Office, Sabine Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1857	John A. Brown.....	Mark McAlpin.....
94 Red Land.....	148 Rocky Mount, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1857	J. B. Campbell.....	J. G. Allen.....
95 Darlington.....	149 Darlington, St. Helena Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1858	M. M. Collins.....	J. L. Nettles.....
96 Perkins.....	150 Donaldsonville, Ascension Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1858	Thos. H. Weightman.....	H. W. Miller.....
97 Eastern Star.....	151 Winnfield, Winn Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1858	John A. Dixon.....	James R. Bevill.....
98 Homer.....	152 Homer, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1858	G. M. Killgore.....	John W. Stacey.....
99 Saints John.....	153 Algiers, Parish of Orleans, Louisiana.....	Feb. 10, 1858	A. B. Seger.....	Theo. Thayer.....
100 Fillmore.....	154 Fillmore, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1858	T. W. Bledsoe.....	James Ford.....
101 Cherry Ridge*.....	155 Cherry Ridge, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1858	.....	.....
102 Kissatchie.....	156 Kissatchie, Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 12, 1858	W. M. Fuller.....	J. M. Bishop.....
103 Grosse Tête *.....	157 Rosedale Post Office, Louisiana.....	Feb. 18, 1859	.....	.....
104 Rapides.....	158 Huddleston Post Office, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 16, 1859	G. B. Burr.....	Dempsey Fennell.....
105 Morganza.....	159 Morganza, Point Coupée Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 16, 1859	Parker Smith.....	C. L. Comfort.....
106 Livingston.....	160 Ponchitoula, Livingston Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 16, 1859	S. S. Hoyt.....	Wm. Jones.....
107 Brookville.....	161 Point Jefferson, Morehouse Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 16, 1860	Wilson G. Myers.....	T. W. Myers.....
108 Burnsville.....	162 Shangaloo, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 16, 1860	Shelby Baucum.....	Isaac L. Lennard.....
109 Athafalaya.....	163 Simmsport, Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 16, 1860	F. H. Babbitt.....	S. M. Wells.....
110 Columbia.....	164 Columbia, Caldwell Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 16, 1860	John F. Varner.....	John C. Hill.....
111 Lake Charles.....	165 Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 16, 1860	Joel Sanders.....	E. G. Moelling.....
112 Excelsior.....	166 G. L. Masonic Hall, cor. St. Charles and Perdido sts., N. O.....	Feb. 12, 1861	Victor Hebert.....	O. J. Noyes.....
113 Linn Wood.....	167 City of Jefferson, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 13, 1861	T. McGinnis.....	Henry Abel.....
114 Montgomery.....	168 Montgomery, Winn Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 13, 1861	.....	.....
115 Haynesville.....	169 Haynesville, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 13, 1861	.....	.....

# STATISTICAL TABLE OF THE LODGES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE M. W. GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

Numerical Numbers.	NAMES OF LODGES.	Numbers.	Number of Members.	Initiated.	Passed.	Raised.	Affiliated.	Demitted.	Died.	Stricken from the Roll.	Suspended.	Expelled.	Reinstated.	Amount to Cr. previous to 1860.	Amount due previous to 1860.	Grand Lodge dues, 1860	Amount paid.	Balance, Dr.	Balance, Cr.
1	PERFECT UNION.....	1	32	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$	.....	\$ 32 00	\$ 32 00	.....	.....
2	POLAR STAR.....	1	19	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19 00	.....	19 00	.....
3	CONCORDE.....	3	23	4	4	2	1	1	.....	.....	4	1	2	.....	.....	39 00	39 00	.....	.....
4	PERSEVERANCE.....	4	27	4	3	2	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36 00	36 00	.....	.....
5	LOS AMIGOS DEL ORDEN.....	5	65	18	16	16	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	1 00	115 00	116 00	.....	.....
6	ST. ANDREW.....	5	51	15	15	15	.....	11	3	3	.....	1	.....	.....	217 00	96 00	96 00	217 00	.....
7	HUMBLE COTTAGE.....	19	45	4	3	3	6	1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	55 00	55 00	.....	.....
8	ST. ALBANS.....	28	53	4	5	9	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	71 00	71 00	.....	.....
9	FELICIANA.....	31	50	3	2	3	1	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	58 00	53 00	5 00	.....
10	PHENIX.....	38	50	5	4	2	3	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	61 00	.....	62 00	.....
11	FOYER MAÇONNIQUE.....	44	66	9	6	6	2	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	87 00	87 00	.....	.....
12	JACKSON*.....	45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	72	.....	.....	72	.....
13	GERMANIA.....	46	71	8	8	5	.....	.....	5	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	92 00	92 00	.....	.....
14	ST. JAMES.....	47	63	4	3	4	2	.....	2	6	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	74 00	74 00	.....	.....
15	PROVIDENCE.....	50	47	6	5	5	5	1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	63 00	63 00	.....	.....
16	MINDEN.....	51	68	6	5	5	7	3	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	84 00	84 00	.....	.....
17	OLIVE.....	52	91	3	7	5	3	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	106 00	103 00	3 75	.....
18	UNION FRATERNAL.....	53	40	2	1	.....	2	7	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	43 00	43 75	.....	.....
19	MOUNT GERIZIM.....	54	36	2	1	2	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 75	41 00	42 75	.....	.....
20	DE SOTO.....	55	73	5	4	5	6	11	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	168 96	87 00	64 00	191 96	.....
21	LAFALETTE.....	56	60	4	4	4	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 75	72 00	74 75	.....	.....
22	FRANKLIN.....	57	44	6	4	3	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	202 00	57 00	57 00	202 00	.....
23	FRIENDS OF HARMONY.....	58	120	19	20	21	2	4	5	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	180 00	180 00	.....	.....
24	MOUNT MORIAH.....	59	244	25	17	15	10	7	7	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	301 00	301 00	.....	.....
25	WESTERN STAR.....	61	52	2	2	2	5	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	31 28	.....	58 00	58 00	.....	31 28
26	TUNICA.....	63	29	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29 00	29 00	.....	.....
27	GEORGE WASHINGTON.....	65	118	6	6	5	2	2	7	6	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	135 00	135 00	.....	.....

28 DUDLEY.....	66	88	13	7	6	2	4	3	4	1	1	114 00	114 00	.....
29 MARION.....	68	114	9	9	8	15	4	4	1	1	141 00	141 00	.....	
30 HIRAM.....	70	69	16	10	11	1	2	.....	.....	.....	106 00	106 00	.....	
31 ALPHA HOME.....	72	85	10	8	6	3	11	2	9	.....	109 00	109 00	.....	
32 SABINE.....	75	38	8	10	8	1	1	1	.....	2 95	64 00	60 00	6 95	
33 QUITMAN.....	76	105	14	14	14	10	3	2	.....	.....	147 00	147 00	.....	
34 MOUNT MORIAH.....	77	29	1	1	1	.....	2	.....	.....	75	32 00	32 75	.....	
35 ORLEANS.....	78	75	5	3	3	2	5	3	2	1	86 00	86 00	.....	
36 ST. JOSEPH*.....	79	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	2 00	.....	
37 DE WITT CLINTON.....	80	27	6	5	3	4	1	1	.....	27 62	41 00	70 00	1 38	
38 MOUNT VERNON.....	83	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 48	22 00	20 00	.....	48	
39 OLIVER.....	84	38	9	4	3	2	1	1	1	.....	54 00	54 00	.....	
40 LAFAYETTE.....	87	31	15	17	15	1	1	1	.....	75	78 00	78 75	.....	
41 MANY.....	88	24	.....	.....	1	.....	3	.....	.....	192 72	25 00	25 00	192 72	
42 CYPRESS.....	89	56	2	1	4	2	2	5	1	1	75	63 00	63 75	.....
43 THIBODAUX BENEVOLENT.....	90	38	4	5	2	1	2	.....	.....	1 85	49 00	45 00	2 15	
44 MONTICELLO.....	92	59	12	12	8	3	6	.....	.....	75	91 00	91 75	.....	
45 NAPOLEON.....	94	17	1	.....	3	.....	1	.....	.....	16 00	18 00	32 00	2 00	
46 ST. HELENA.....	96	63	11	8	7	3	1	1	1	.....	89 00	89 00	.....	
47 HERMITAGE.....	98	46	6	6	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65 00	65 00	.....	
48 HENDERSON.....	99	20	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	20 00	.....	
49 FRANKLINTON.....	101	46	5	6	4	1	.....	.....	.....	86	61 00	61 86	.....	
50 LOUISIANA.....	102	63	14	13	10	4	1	3	1	.....	100 00	100 00	.....	
51 CLOUTIERVILLE.....	103	14	3	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	19 00	19 00	.....	
52 MOUNT LEBANON.....	104	20	.....	.....	1	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	21 00	1 00	
53 TRINITY.....	105	52	4	5	4	3	5	2	1	.....	4 00	65 00	69 00	.....
54 VIENNA.....	106	58	2	3	3	2	5	6	3	.....	66 00	65 00	1 00	.....
55 SPARTA*.....	108	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	.....	75	.....	
56 CASTOR.....	109	29	.....	.....	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	29 00	29 00	.....	
57 HARRISONBURG.....	110	34	3	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	37 00	37 00	.....	
58 URIM.....	111	46	5	2	1	3	5	1	1	1	54 00	51 00	3 00	.....
59 BARTHOLOMEW.....	112	48	3	4	4	3	2	4	.....	1 75	59 00	60 75	.....	
60 THOMAS JEFFERSON.....	113	28	.....	.....	7	.....	1	1	.....	21 18	28 00	6 82	.....	
61 FRIENDSHIP*.....	114	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	44 89	.....	44 89	.....	
62 SHREVEPORT.....	115	53	4	5	3	6	3	1	.....	.....	65 00	65 00	.....	
63 ACACIA.....	116	35	2	2	2	7	1	1	.....	5 00	41 00	41 00	5 00	.....

# STATISTICAL TABLE--Continued.

Numerical Numbers.	NAMES OF LODGES.	Numbers.	Number of Members.	Initiated.	Passed.	Raised.	Affiliated.	Demitted.	Died.	Stricken from the Roll.	Suspended.	Expelled.	Reinstated.	Amount to Cr. previous to 1860.	Amount due previous to 1860.	Grand Lodge dues, 1860.	Amount paid.	Balance, Dr.	Balance, Cr.
64	MILFORD.....	117	36	1	3	3	.....	2	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	\$	\$ 37 77	\$ 43 00	\$ 41 00	\$ 39 77	.....
65	TERRYVILLE*.....	118	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$	32 75	.....	.....	32 75	.....
66	CONSTANTINE.....	119	50	5	5	5	2	1	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65 00	65 00	.....	.....
67	DEERFIELD.....	120	30	5	4	2	6	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	41 00	42 00	.....	.....
68	LISBON.....	121	29	.....	1	2	2	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 03	33 00	.....	34 03	.....
69	MACKEY.....	122	38	4	4	3	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	49 00	49 75	.....	.....
70	LIBERTY*.....	123	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	.....	.....	75	.....
71	KELLERTOWN.....	124	47	2	2	1	2	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	52 00	52 75	.....	.....
72	PEARL RIVER.....	125	50	2	2	5	3	2	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	75	59 00	59 75	.....	.....
73	ARCADIA.....	126	36	4	4	4	2	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27 87	48 00	21 00	54 87	.....
74	SPRINGHILL.....	127	51	2	5	4	4	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	62 00	62 75	.....	.....
75	DAWSON.....	129	32	7	8	7	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	54 00	48 00	6 00	.....
76	SOLOMON.....	130	33	3	3	2	1	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	41 00	41 00	.....	.....
77	SHILOH*.....	131	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35 72	.....	.....	35 72	.....
78	WARREN*.....	132	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
79	GORDY.....	133	33	6	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35 54	39 00	71 00	3 54	.....
80	HARRY HILL.....	134	39	1	.....	1	3	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	41 00	41 00	75	.....
81	PLAINS*.....	135	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	.....	.....	75	.....
82	ATHENS.....	136	27	2	2	2	4	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	33 00	.....	33 75	.....
83	HOUMA.....	139	36	.....	2	1	3	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	39 00	39 00	.....	.....
84	COOL SPRING.....	140	45	1	.....	.....	.....	4	15	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	10 00	46 00	47 00	9 00	.....
85	HUNTINGTON.....	141	36	4	2	1	4	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	44 00	44 00	.....	.....
86	DOWNSVILLE.....	143	32	10	4	4	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00	50 00	.....	.....
87	OCEAN.....	144	65	4	5	6	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80 00	80 00	.....	.....
88	HOPE.....	145	22	5	3	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	32 00	32 00	.....	.....
89	SILENT BROTHERHOOD.....	146	26	3	4	5	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	38 00	38 00	75	.....
90	ANACOCO.....	147	29	5	4	2	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	40 00	40 75	.....	.....

91	RED LAND .....	148	40	1	1	1	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	43 00	43 00	.....	.....	
92	DARLINGTON .....	149	28	8	7	6	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	49 00	48 00	1 75	.....	.....	
93	PERKINS .....	150	34	10	9	7	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60 00	60 00	.....	.....	.....	
94	EASTERN STAR .....	151	77	7	9	13	6	9	1	.....	.....	.....	75	106 00	105 75	1 00	.....	.....	
95	HOMER .....	152	56	9	8	8	8	3	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	81 00	.....	81 00	.....	.....	
96	SAINTS JOHN .....	153	47	8	5	5	3	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	65 00	65 00	.....	.....	.....	
97	FILLMORE .....	154	38	4	3	4	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	49 00	48 00	1 00	.....	.....	
98	CHERRY RIDGE* .....	155	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
99	KISSATCHIE .....	156	24	5	4	2	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	86	35 00	34 00	1 86	.....	.....	
100	GROSSE TETE.* .....	157	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
101	RAPIDES .....	158	43	2	1	1	5	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 72	47 00	48 72	.....	.....	.....	
102	MORGANZA .....	159	47	15	14	13	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	89 00	92 00	.....	.....	.....	
103	LIVINGSTON .....	160	42	22	15	15	1	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	94 00	94 00	.....	.....	.....	
104	BROOKVILLE .....	161	33	6	6	8	4	2	2	.....	.....	.....	75	53 00	53 75	.....	.....	.....	
105	BURNSVILLE .....	162	34	11	10	10	2	7	.....	.....	2	2	75	65 00	65 75	.....	.....	.....	
106	ATCHAFALAYA .....	163	29	4	5	3	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	41 00	41 00	.....	.....	.....	
107	COLUMBIA .....	164	23	4	3	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	33 00	35 00	.....	2 00	.....	
108	LAKE CHARLES .....	165	16	1	1	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 00	18 00	.....	.....	.....	
109	LINN WOOD .....	U. D.	28	15	13	13	6	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	41 00	41 00	.....	.....	.....	
110	SILENCIO .....	"	36	30	25	25	3	9	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	80 00	80 00	.....	.....	.....	
111	EXCELSIOR .....	"	24	13	13	13	3	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	39 00	39 00	.....	.....	.....	
112	MONTGOMERY .....	"	25	9	7	7	7	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	75	23 00	23 75	.....	.....	.....	
113	HAYNESVILLE .....	"	19	5	4	1	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	
* No Returns.		TOTAL .....	4778	616	536	498	285	253	119	45	19	2	17	61 79	1091 73	6299 00	6074 15	1295 93	41 14

## SPECIAL NOTICE.

THE attention of Masters and Secretaries is especially directed to the above Statistical Table of Constituent Lodges. In it will be found a full statement of their account with the Grand Lodge; and if any error appears, I would take it as an especial favor to be immediately notified thereof by the Secretary of the Lodge. All those owing balances are requested to transmit them as soon as possible, in order that the remaining balance due on account of the Grand Lodge Hall may be cancelled as rapidly as possible, to prevent the further and continued payment of interest.

# ABSTRACT AND STATISTICS FROM PROCEEDINGS OF

GRAND LODGES.	GRAND MASTERS.		GRAND SECRETARIES.		DATE OF PROCEEDINGS RECEIVED AND STATISTICS TAKEN.
	NAMES.	RESIDENCES.	NAMES.	RESIDENCES.	
ALABAMA.....	S. F. Hale.....	Entaw.....	Daniel Sayre.....	Montgomery...	Dec. 3, 1860
ARKANSAS.....	E. H. English.....	Little Rock.....	T. D. Merrick.....	Little Rock.....	Nov. 5, 1860
CALIFORNIA.....	N. Greene Curtis.....	Sacramento.....	Alexander G. Abell.....	San Francisco...	May 8, 1860
CANADA.....	T. D. Harington.....	Quebec.....	Thomas B. Harris...	Hamilton.....	July 11, 1860
CONNECTICUT.....	Howard B. Ensign...	New Haven.....	Eliphalet G. Storer...	New Haven.....	May 9, 1860
DELAWARE.....	Dan'l C. Godwin.....	Dover.....	Win. S. Hayes.....	Wilmington.....	June 27, 1860
DIS. OF COLUMBIA.	Geo. C. Whiting.....	Washington.....	G. A. Schwarzman...	Washington.....	Dec. 27, 1860
FLORIDA.....	D. C. Dawkins.....	Greenwood.....	John B. Taylor.....	Tallahassee.....	Jan. 9, 1860
GEORGIA.....	Wm. S. Rockwell.....	Savannah.....	Simri Rose.....	Macon.....	Oct. 26, 1859
ILLINOIS.....	Ira A. W. Duck.....	Aurora.....	H. G. Reynolds.....	Springfield.....	Oct. 2, 1860
INDIANA.....	A. C. Downey.....	Rising Sun.....	Francis King.....	Indianapolis.....	May 28, 1860
IOWA.....	Thos. H. Benton.....	Council Bluffs...	Theo. S. Parvin.....	Iowa City.....	June 5, 1860
KANSAS.....	G. H. Fairchild.....	Atchison.....	Charles Mundee.....	Leavenworth...	Oct. 18, 1860
KENTUCKY.....	L. Landrum.....	Lancaster.....	J. M. S. McCorkle...	Greensburg.....	Oct. 15, 1860
LOUISIANA.....	J. Q. A. Fellows.....	New Orleans.....	Samuel G. Risk.....	New Orleans...	Feb. 11, 1861
MAINE.....	Josiah H. Drummmond	Portland.....	Ira Berry.....	Portland.....	May 1, 1860
MARYLAND.....	John S. Berry.....	Baltimore.....	Joseph Robinson.....	Baltimore.....	Nov. 19, 1860
MASSACHUSETTS...	Wm. D. Coolidge.....	Newtonville.....	Charles W. Moore...	Boston.....	Dec. 12, 1860
MICHIGAN.....	H. S. Roberts.....	Detroit.....	James Fenton.....	Detroit.....	Jan. 9, 1861
MINNESOTA.....	A. T. C. Pierson.....	Saint Paul.....	George W. Prescott...	Saint Paul.....	Oct. 23, 1860
MISSISSIPPI.....	Richard Cooper.....	Brandon.....	R. W. T. Daniel.....	Jackson.....	Jan. 21, 1861
MISSOURI.....	M. H. McFarland.....	Louisville.....	A. O'Sullivan.....	Saint Louis.....	May 28, 1860
NEBRASKA.....	Geo. Armstrong.....	Omaha.....	Robt. W. Furnas.....	Brownville.....	June 5, 1860
NEW HAMPSHIRE...	A. P. Hughes.....	Nashua.....	Horace Chase.....	Hopkinton.....	June 8, 1859
NEW JERSEY.....	Isaac Van Wagoner...	Patterson.....	Joseph H. Hough.....	Trenton.....	Jan. 16, 1861
NEW YORK.....	John W. Simons.....	New York City..	Jas. M. Austin, M. D.	New York City.	June 5, 1860
NORTH CAROLINA...	Lewis S. Williams...	Charlotte.....	W. T. Bain.....	Raleigh.....	Dec. 3, 1860
OHIO.....	Horace M. Stokes.....	Lebanon.....	John D. Caldwell.....	Cincinnati.....	Oct. 16, 1860
OREGON.....	Amory Holbrook.....	Oregon City.....	T. McF. Patton.....	Salem.....	June 13, 1859
PENNSYLVANIA.....	John Thomson.....	Philadelphia.....	Wm. H. Adams.....	Philadelphia...	Dec. 27, 1860
RHODE ISLAND...	Wm. Gray.....	Newport.....	Thomas A. Doyle.....	Providence.....	June 25, 1860
SOUTH CAROLINA...	B. R. Campbell.....	Laurens C H.....	A. G. Mackey, M. D.	Charleston...	Nov. 15, 1859
TENNESSEE.....	James McCallum.....	Pulaski.....	Charles A. Fuller...	Nashville.....	Oct. 1, 1860
TEXAS.....	John B. McMahon.....	Lockhart.....	A. S. Ruthven.....	Galveston.....	June 11, 1860
VERMONT.....	Philip C. Tucker.....	Vergennes.....	John B. Hollenbeck...	Burlington.....	Jan. 11, 1860
VIRGINIA.....	John R. McDaniel.....	Lynchburg.....	John Dove.....	Richmond.....	Dec. 10, 1860
WISCONSIN.....	Gabriel Bouck.....	Oshkosh.....	James Kellogg.....	Milwaukee.....	June 12, 1860
WASHINGTON TER..	Selucius Garfiede...	Olympia.....	Thomas M. Reed.....	Olympia.....	Sept. 3, 1860

# GRAND LODGES OF UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

WHERE HELD.	WHEN ORGANIZED.	CONVENTION WHERE HELD.	LODGES IN CONVENTION.	LODGES ENROLLED.	LODGES MAKING RETURNS.	MEMBERS RETURNED.	INITIATIONS.	AFFILIATIONS.	DEMISSIONS.	DEATHS.	SUSPENSIONS.	EXPIRATIONS.	GRAND LODGE DUES.
Montgomery.....	June 14, 1821	Cahawba.....	9	278	266	8,866	398	330	694	104	36	19	\$ 3,896 00
Little Rock.....	Feb. 22, 1832	Little Rock.....	4	162	114	4,571	839	317	152	95	55	9	3,602 00
Sacramento.....	April 11, 1850	San Francisco..	3	132	132	5,055	838	474	684	57	7	15	8,448 00
Ottawa.....	Oct. 10, 1855	Hamilton.....	41	140	140	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	3,129 00
New Haven.....	July 8, 1789	New Haven.....	12	64	64	5,854	642	59	90	60	2	4	642 00
Wilmington.....	June 6, 1806	Wilmington....	5	12	12	533	40	5	4	4	35	...	306 00
Washington.....	Dec. 11, 1810	Washington....	5	11	11	840	99	18	31	14	....	5	606 00
Tallahassee.....	July 5, 1830	Tallahassee....	3	39	31	1,682	214	....	6	29	3	3	1,571 00
Macon.....	Dec. 16, 1786	Savannah.....	....	235	221	12,371	1,503	435	620	85	74	73	9,838 00
Springfield.....	April 6, 1840	Jacksonville...	5	346	332	12,725	1,541	423	711	102	265	70	7,351 00
Indianapolis.....	Jan. 12, 1818	Madison.....	6	263	262	9,727	671	247	389	83	232	20	6,612 00
Burlington.....	Jan. 8, 1844	Iowa City.....	4	158	144	4,671	502	482	291	34	110	24	2,558 00
Lawrence, city of	Mar. 17, 1856	Leavenworth..	3	26	21	741	132	54	60	6	33	2	737 00
Louisville.....	Oct. 16, 1800	Lexington.....	5	308	295	11,269	1,215	....	....	126	207	36	10,544 00
New Orleans....	July 11, 1812	New Orleans..	5	113	102	4,778	616	285	253	119	19	2	6,299 00
Portland.....	June 1, 1820	Portland.....	24	98	93	4,319	817	....	....	47	31	11	1,747 00
Baltimore.....	April 17, 1787	Baltimore.....	5	39	34	2,069	88	....	27	17	3	1	1,535 00
Boston.....	July 30, 1733	Boston.....	3	113	113	7,500	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Detroit.....	June 28, 1826	Detroit.....	4	127	125	6,216	852	136	226	54	135	19	2,342 00
Saint Paul.....	Feb. 23, 1853	Saint Paul.....	3	35	35	941	143	....	37	10	15	...	569 00
Vicksburg.....	July 27, 1818	Natchez.....	3	227	207	9,762	1,152	419	736	167	346	23	9,131 00
Saint Louis.....	April 23, 1821	Saint Louis....	3	193	173	7,262	833	530	309	68	77	41	7,141 00
Brownville.....	Sept. 23 1857	Omaha City...	3	6	6	176	....	....	14	....	....	....	236 00
Concord.....	July 8, 1789	Portsmouth....	3	42	38	2,039	326	....	....	....	....	....	1,358 00
Trenton.....	Dec. 18, 1786	N. Brunswick..	....	56	54	3,061	60	....	94	39	124	3	1,532 00
New York City..	Dec. 2, 1782	New York City	8	465	447	29,981	4,910	553	861	260	15	40	15,626 00
Raleigh.....	Jan. 14, 1771	Newbern.....	....	113	113	5,109	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,822 00
Columbus.....	Jan. 4, 1808	Chillicothe....	6	289	282	14,150	1,308	381	757	130	23	89	5,931 00
Eugene City....	Aug. 16, 1851	Oregon City....	3	26	21	623	109	37	35	5	4	1	853 00
Philadelphia....	June 20, 1764	Philadelphia...	13	172	170	13,106	1,532	383	....	....	....	....	18,500 00
Newport.....	June 27, 1791	Newport.....	2	16	16	1,517	152	10	9	25	1	1	652 00
Charleston.....	Jan. 1, 1787	Charleston....	5	85	69	3,585	....	57	235	50	....	....	2,149 00
Nashville.....	Oct. 14, 1813	Knoxville.....	7	216	204	9,666	1,195	....	....	142	....	63	4,930 00
LaGrange.....	Dec. 20, 1837	Houston.....	3	227	214	8,215	941	525	443	135	105	24	7,954 00
Burlington.....	Oct. 14, 1794	Rutland.....	5	52	52	2,843	....	....	51	41	26	3	1,055 00
Richmond.....	May 6, 1777	Williamsburg..	5	175	148	6,227	....	....	....	86	71	16	1,844 00
Milwaukee.....	Dec. 18, 1843	Madison.....	3	116	113	3,666	376	138	270	50	108	16	2,445 00
Olympia.....	Dec. 9, 1858	Olympia.....	4	9	9	217	42	13	5	3	1	3	387 00
TOTAL.....			225	5184	4883	225,927	24,086	6311	8094	2247	2163	636	155,878 00

# LIST OF PAST GRAND OFFICERS

OF THE

## GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA,

FROM ITS ORGANIZATION TO THE PRESENT YEAR,  
WHO BECAME PERMANENT MEMBERS THEREOF BY VIRTUE OF THEIR OFFICE.

YEAR.	GRAND MASTERS.	DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.	SENIOR GRAND WARDENS.	JUNIOR GRAND WARDENS.
1812	L. F. Dubourg*	L. Moreau Lislet*	J. Blanque*	Francis Pernot*
1813	L. F. Dubourg	L. Moreau Lislet	J. Blanque	Francis Pernot
1814	L. F. Dubourg	L. Moreau Lislet	J. Soulié*	Dominique Roquette
1815	J. Soulié*	L. Moreau Lislet	Dominique Roquette	Modeste Lefebvre*
1816	J. Soulié	L. Moreau Lislet	Modeste Lefebvre*	Y. Lemonnier*
1817	J. Soulié	L. Moreau Lislet	Modeste Lefebvre	Y. Lemonnier
1818	L. Moreau Lislet*	Modeste Lefebvre*	Jean B. Desbois	Y. Lemonnier
1819	Modeste Lefebvre*	Jean B. Desbois	Y. Lemonnier*	Aug. Macarty*
1820	Y. Lemonnier*	Aug. Macarty*	J. F. Canonge*	G. Dubuys*
1821	Aug. Macarty*	J. F. Canonge*	G. Dubuys*	A. Peychaud
1822	J. F. Canonge*	G. Dubuys*	Y. Lemonnier	G. Leamont
1823	D. F. Burthe*	G. Dubuys	L. Moreau Lislet*	L. A. de Bodin*
1824	J. F. Canonge	Y. Lemonnier*	L. A. de Bodin*	A. Longer*
1825	John H. Holland	L. A. de Bodin*	A. Longer*	Charles Maurian*
1826	John H. Holland	M. Flietas	A. Longer	Charles Maurian
1827	John H. Holland	M. Flietas	Charles Maurian*	A. Morphy*
1828	John H. Holland	A. Morphy*	Charles Maurian	A. Longer
1829	J. F. Canonge	D. F. Burthe*	A. Longer	J. B. Faget
1830	John H. Holland	A. Longer*	M. Fouché Cougot	J. B. Faget
1831	John H. Holland	J. B. Faget	Seth W. Nye	Jean Lamothe
1832	John H. Holland	Aug. Douce*	Seth W. Nye	Thomas Blois*
1833	John H. Holland	Aug. Douce	Jean Lamothe	J. B. F. Giquel*
1834	John H. Holland	Aug. Douce	Jean Lamothe	Charles Revoile
1835	John H. Holland	Aug. Douce	F. J. Verrier	J. B. F. Giquel
1836	L. H. Féraud*	J. Viosca	J. B. F. Giquel*	Jean Lamothe
1837	L. H. Féraud	F. J. Verrier	J. B. F. Giquel	F. Coquet
1838	John H. Holland	J. J. Mercier*	J. B. Lambert*	Zenon Colson
1839	John H. Holland	Alexander Phillips*	F. J. Verrier	Perez Snell†
1840	A. W. Pichot*	G. A. Montmain	J. Viosca	Ramon Vionnet†
1841	A. W. Pichot	Jean Lamothe	J. Viosca	Ramon Vionnet
1842	Jean Lamothe	Ramon Vionnet†	Paul Bertus*	Ramon Viosca
1843	E. A. Canon*	Felix Garcia*	A. D. Guesnon	H. Kidel
1844	E. A. Canon	Robert Preaux*	Lucien Hermann	Francis Calongne*
1845	Robert Preaux*	Felix Garcia	Lucien Hermann	Francis Calongne
1846	Felix Garcia*	Lucien Hermann	Francis Calongne*	Joseph Lisbony†
1847	Felix Garcia	Robert Preaux	Francis Meilleur	Roman Brugier†
1848	{ Felix Garcia	{ Lucien Hermann	{ Thos. B. Patten*	{ Alexander Derbes
L. G. L.	{ M. R. Dudley*	{ Thomas H. Lewis*	{ W. P. Coleman	{ G. Gorin
1849	{ Lucien Hermann	{ F. Calongne*	{ Antoine Mondelli	{ Simon Meilleur
L. G. L.	{ John Gedge*	{ John W. Crockett*	{ Wm. M. Perkins	{ J. W. McNamar
1850	Lucien Hermann	F. Calongne	Antoine Mondelli	George W. Catlett
1851	John Gedge	George W. Catlett	R. F. McGuire	Wm. L. Knox
1852	H. R. W. Hill*	Robert F. McGuire	Wm. L. Knox	S. M. Hart
1853	H. R. W. Hill	Wm. L. Knox	S. M. Hart	H. W. Huntington*
1854	Wm. M. Perkins	Wm. L. Knox	H. W. Huntington*	Geo. D. Shadburne
1855	Wm. M. Perkins	Geo. D. Shadburne	M. H. Dosson	Law. P. Crain*
1856	Wm. M. Perkins	M. H. Dosson	Louis Texada	S. O. Scruggs
1857	Wm. M. Perkins	Amos Adams*	A. S. Washburn	S. O. Scruggs
1858	Amos Adams*	Samuel M. Todd	S. O. Scruggs	A. J. Norwood
1859	Samuel M. Todd	S. O. Scruggs	A. J. Norwood	Joseph Santini
1860	J. Q. A. Fellows	A. G. Carter	John C. Gordy	Hy. Regenburb
1861	J. Q. A. Fellows	A. G. Carter	John C. Gordy	Hy. Regenburb

\* Dead.

† Expelled by Grand Lodge for defalcation and swindling as Grand Treasurer.

‡ Not in good standing.



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## REPORT

OF

### COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

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*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence have to apologize for the hasty and imperfect manner in which their report is presented for your consideration. Having been commenced only a few days before the assembling of the Grand Lodge, little will be attempted beyond a brief statement of those transactions of our sister Grand Lodges, which we think may prove of interest to the brethren of this jurisdiction.

The following documents and proceedings of Grand Lodges, have been placed in the hands of your committee :

ALABAMA, of December, 1859.....	Received March 8, 1860.
ARKANSAS, (None).....	"
CALIFORNIA, of May, 1860.....	" September 17, 1860.
" of June, 1860.....	" " " "
CANADA, of September 9, 1859.....	" September 15, 1860.
" of October 25, 1859.....	" " " "
" of July 11, 1859.....	" " " "
" of September 1, 1860 .....	" " " "
CONNECTICUT, of May, 1860.....	" June 29, 1860.
DELAWARE, of June, 1860.....	" December 8, 1860.
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, of December, 1859.....	" March 29, 1860.
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GEORGIA, of October, 1859.....	" June 17, 1860.
ILLINOIS, of October, 1860 .....	" January 21, 1861.
INDIANA, of May, 1860 .....	" August 21, 1860.
IOWA, of June, 1860.....	" August 9, 1860.
KANSAS, of October, 1859.....	" March 26, 1860.
" of October, 1860.....	" January 3, 1861.

KENTUCKY, of October, 1859.....	Received March 17, 1860.
“ of October, 1860 .....	“ November 13, 1860.
MAINE, of May, 1860.....	“ July 25, 1860.
MARYLAND, of November, 1859.....	“ February 28, 1860.
“ of May, 1860.....	“ August 15, 1860.
“ of November, 1860.....	“ February 5, 1861.
MASSACHUSETTS, of the year 1859.....	“ April 25, 1860.
MICHIGAN, of January, 1860.....	“ February 26, 1860.
“ of January, 1861.....	“ February 15, 1861.
MINNESOTA, of October, 1860.....	“ February 5, 1861.
MISSISSIPPI, of January, 1860.....	“ May 25, 1860.
MISSOURI, of May, 1860.....	“ July 27, 1860.
NEBRASKA, of June, 1860.....	“ November 13, 1860.
NEW JERSEY, of May, 1859.....	“ May 18, 1860.
“ “ of May, 1860.....	“ “ “
NEW HAMPSHIRE, (None).....	“
NEW YORK, of June, 1860.....	“ October 12, 1860.
NORTH CAROLINA, of December, 1859.....	“ April 9, 1860.
OHIO, of October, 1860 .....	“ February 5, 1861.
OREGON, (None) .....	“
PENNSYLVANIA, of the year 1859.....	“ April 23, 1860.
RHODE ISLAND, of June, 1860.....	“ August 23, 1860.
SOUTH CAROLINA, of November, 1859.....	“ April 7, 1860.
TENNESSEE, of October, 1860.....	“ February 14, 1861.
TEXAS, of June, 1860.....	“ September 15, 1860.
VERMONT, of January, 1860.....	“ May 3, 1860.
VIRGINIA, of December, 1859.....	“ March 6, 1860.
WISCONSIN, (None).....	“
WASHINGTON TERRITORY, of Sept. 3, 1860.....	“ February, 1861.
CIRCULAR LETTER of GRAND LODGE of MAINE, “	June 30, 1860.
GRAND ORIENT of THE REPUBLIC of MEXICO, } “	January, 1861.
of December 21, 1860..... }	
FIFTEENTH LODGE OF IRELAND, SKIBBEREEN, “	July 12, 1860.

### ALABAMA.

The Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge was held at Montgomery, in December, 1859, M. W. Grand Master R. H. Erwin, presiding, with 228 Lodges represented.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence is by Brother S. A. M. Wood, who notices briefly the proceedings of a large number of Grand Lodges. The following is quoted from a letter of a Brother of this jurisdiction :

"That the Scottish Rite consists of 33 Degrees, including the three Blue or Primitive Degrees, but in order to avoid a conflict of jurisdictions, the Grand Bodies of the Rite in the United States have agreed and have always acted on the following rule: 'Not to exercise their *right* to establish Lodges of Ancient Craft Masonry in any portion of a country where a Grand Lodge exists.'"

We were not aware that the members of the "Ancient and Accepted Rite" ever pretended to have such a *right*, or that we were solely indebted to their forbearance in not asserting it. On the contrary, we have always understood, that regular Masons of all Rites have acknowledged the power and rightful authority exercised by Grand Lodges, within their jurisdiction, over all of the Craft. We are glad to perceive that our Brethren of Alabama are investigating this subject, and have no doubt of their coming to a just conclusion.

The Committee on Jurisprudence were directed to inquire into the expediency of amending the Constitution, so as to make it "optionary with the Grand Lodge, when it reverses the decision of a Subordinate Lodge, whereby a Brother is suspended or expelled, to restore the accused to membership."

The M. W. Grand Master was requested to furnish annually, to the Grand Lodge, a synopsis of his decisions on all points of Masonic Jurisprudence.

## CONNECTICUT.

The Annual Communication was held at New Haven, in May, 1860, M. W. John C. Blackman, presiding.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances reported in several instances where residents of that State, living in the vicinity of several Lodges of that jurisdiction, had, after having been blackballed, applied for and received the degrees of Masonry in the City of New York. This has been an old cause of complaint against Lodges in the City of New York, and we are glad to perceive that Connecticut has taken the action shown by the adoption of the following resolutions:

"Resolved by the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, That while we re-affirm the prohibition which has been heretofore enacted, forbidding the initiation, passing or raising of persons residing within the jurisdiction of other Grand Lodges, by any Lodge in this State; we have a right to expect that Sister Grand Lodges shall manifest a reciprocal regard for our rights, by prohibiting the reception,

by their Subordinates, of candidates for Masonry, whose residence is within the State of Connecticut.

“*Resolved*, That the M. W. Grand Lodge of New York be, and she is hereby fraternally requested and entreated to protect our jurisdictional rights against further invasion.

“*Resolved*, That the Grand Secretary be and he is hereby instructed to transmit to the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of New York, a copy of the foregoing report, and of these resolutions, with a respectful request that he lay the same before his Grand Lodge, at its annual communication in June next.”

The Report on Foreign Correspondence is written by Bro. E. G. Storer, and occupies ninety pages, the proceedings of each Grand Lodge are carefully examined and commented upon. We regret that the proceedings of our Grand Lodge were not at hand to have been submitted to the same careful scrutiny.

### CALIFORNIA.

The eleventh Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge was held in the city of Sacramento, commencing on the 8th of May, with eighty-two Chartered Lodges and seven Lodges under Dispensation represented.

The M. W. Grand Master, N. Greene Curtis, delivered a short address, in which he again recommended an exemplification of the work. The work in the three degrees, exemplified during the session, was adopted, and a vote of thanks passed to Bro. Isaac Davis and other members of the Committee on Work, for their patient labors in presenting this work.

The report of the Masonic Board of Relief shows amount expended for relief during the year of \$4,137 17, of which \$352 was bestowed on seventeen cases from Louisiana.

The committee to whom was referred the resolutions offered at the previous Grand Communication to inaugurate a system of mileage, allowing to each Lodge in the jurisdiction twenty cents per mile, reported a table showing, that to carry out this idea on the terms proposed, would require the annual expenditure of over \$3,000. After discussion, the further consideration of this subject was indefinitely postponed.

The future sessions of the Grand Lodge are to be held at San Francisco.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence exhibits

the usual deep research and sound judgment of W. Bro. Alex. G. Abell. He reviews the proceedings of thirty-one Grand Lodges with great care, and presents undeniable proofs of his having read the "great pile of reports" from sister Grand Lodges—unlike *that* committee from little Delaware, who considered such an undertaking an "Herculean and useless task." The proceedings of our Grand Lodge for 1859 are noticed at length, and a high compliment paid to Bro. Fellows for "the long and interesting report" made by him, and whose opinions on various points are cordially endorsed.

Bro. Abell disapproves, as we think properly, of the practice of installing officers by proxy.

We regret that any cause should have compelled Bro. Abell to close his very able report with the following :

"It is with great regret that the writer leaves unfinished a paper which heretofore he has taken some pride in endeavoring to present complete. But he is admonished that other duties, superior to those which he owes to the Grand Lodge, require that for some time to come, he should abandon the pen and desk. The fraction of a report (?) now offered will exhibit abundant indications that this year its author was not fit for the task assigned him; and he begs to be excused, for the coming year at least, from further service on the Committee of Correspondence."

A Special Communication of this Grand Lodge was convened on the day following the Anniversary of St. John the Baptist (June 25, 1860), for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the Masonic Temple, now being erected by the Masonic Hall Association of the City of San Francisco.

The ceremonies were very interesting and of the most impressive character, and were participated in by the Grand Royal Arch Chapter and a body of Knights Templar; over one thousand members of the fraternity formed in the procession. An address was delivered by the Grand Orator of the day Sir Henry M. Gray, which was eminently Masonic in its tone, and clothed in beautiful and chaste language.

We cannot refrain from extracting the following tribute to our beloved Order:

"And first, its sublime EQUALITY. Its first principle is the recognition of the humanity of the man, and the acknowledgment of the fraternal ties that bind all men together. Within its sacred enclosure there can be no rank or caste. The royal ruler of a mighty realm; the mitred prelate; the soldier, bearing upon his

body the scars and trophies of a hundred fights; the philosopher whose keen vision has explored all the intricacies of natural or political wisdom; the soul of science that hath sojourned among the stars or dived into the nethermost depths—are all alike. Brethren all—made so by the recognition of each individual humanity—and each an equal scholar in the school of virtue. ‘Love one another’ is written upon the door posts, and the word ‘Brother’ embraces in its comprehensive dialect all ranks, from the neophyte to the Supreme Master. While prejudice alienates—while sect and nation, lineage and language, wealth and power, set up ever more the barriers which keep men asunder—while political distinctions and religious differences, but deepen animosities and engender bitterness—Masonry presents a platform and a principle broad and firm enough for all the world to rest upon in peace.”

The Banquet which closed the ceremonies of the day was, as it should have been, upon the most magnificent scale. “Seven parallel tables, extending the whole length of the great Concert Hall, with a circular table upon an elevated platform for the Grand and Past Grand Officers,” loaded with the good things provided for the occasion, must have been a welcome sight to those who had “*borne the heat and burthen of the day.*” We are pleased to find it recorded that although the “festivities were continued until the hour of “*low twelve,*” that “the bounds of moderation had not been transgressed in a single instance.”

### CANADA.

We have from this jurisdiction the record of four Special Communications, held respectively, at London, Toronto, Hamilton and Ottawa, and of the Fifth Annual Communication, held at the city of Ottawa, Canada West, on the 11th July, 1860. The Special Communications were convened for the purpose of performing the ceremonies of laying the corner stones of four different public buildings.

The Annual Communication was presided over by M. W. Bro. William Mercer Wilson, and was largely attended. The address of the Grand Master is well written: he pronounces the course pursued and persisted in by the Grand Lodge of Hamburg as not only likely to prove injurious to the peace, harmony and prosperity of the Masonic fraternity, but as one which cannot be sustained by any enlightened Grand Lodge in the world.

Twenty-one dispensations were granted for the opening of new Lodges, and the craft appear to be in a very flourishing condition in this jurisdiction.



The Grand Master is represented as "on the throne," a phrase which sounds somewhat strange to American ears.

St. John's Lodge, No. 209, was declared to be clandestine, and it was ordered that a memorial be drawn up and submitted to the Grand Lodge of Ireland, stating the circumstances under which this Lodge had been reorganized, and for the purpose of inducing said Grand Body to annul its recognition of this spurious body as a regular Masonic Lodge.

M. W. Bro. T. Douglas Harrington was elected Grand Master, and Bro. Thos. B. Harris reelected Grand Secretary.

A Special Communication was convened at Ottawa, in September, for the purpose of assisting in the ceremonies of laying the corner stone of the New Parliament Buildings about to be erected in that city. There seems to have been some misunderstanding with the Canadian authorities about the performance of this ceremony; and after the assembling of the craft, it was signified to them that they could not be permitted to take the part in the proceedings which had previously been assigned them. The Grand Master made a full statement of his various consultations with the authorities having charge of these ceremonials, which are published with the proceedings, and the following resolution adopted:

"That the M. W. Grand Master be requested to appoint a committee, to draft an address to *Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen*, embodying the reasons why the Craft, after having assembled in large numbers, could take no part in the proceedings; and also expressing their devoted loyalty and attachment to Her person and throne."

## DELAWARE.

The fifty-fourth Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge was held in the city of Wilmington, on the 27th of June, 1860. All of the Lodges in the State (twelve in all) being represented. M. W. Bro. John R. McFee, Grand Master, delivered an excellent address, in which he gives the decisions of nearly all the Grand Lodges in this country, as to the rights, privileges, and liabilities of unaffiliated Masons, and after a careful examination of the subject, presents the following as his conclusions:

"That non-affiliated Masons have no right to visit Masonic Lodges, to join in

Masonic processions, or to Masonic burial; they are not entitled to pecuniary aid from the Lodge fund; they remain subject to the nearest Lodge, or that in whose jurisdiction they may reside, and may be tried and punished by it for any Masonic offence; they have no right to claim any of the rights, benefits, or privileges of the Lodge organization; but they are entitled and subject to all the rights and privileges, claims and duties belonging to them as individual members of the Order."

The Grand Master, at a previous Communication, having decided that a Warden possesses the right to confer Degrees in the absence of the Master, without any reference to whether or not the Warden had received the Past Master's Degree, the subject was, by a resolution, referred to a committee, to report at this session. A long report is submitted by the chairman of that committee, as a *minority* report, in which he takes adverse ground to the decision of the Grand Master. The whole matter was to come up for consideration at the Semi-Annual Communication, in December. We have little doubt of the Grand Master being sustained in the position he has taken.

There was no report from the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, and at the close of the first day's proceedings there was not a quorum present, and consequently the Grand Lodge was closed without finishing its business.

Bro. Daniel C. Godwin was elected Grand Master, and Bro. Wm. S. Hays reelected Grand Secretary, but declined accepting the office for another term. It does not appear that any installation of the officers elect took place.

### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

The proceedings of this Grand Lodge before your committee are of a Special Communication held on February 12th, at which trial was had of "certain charges against Bro. W. H. Faulkner, W. M. of Centennial Lodge, No. 14." After two lengthy sessions and the fullest examination and consideration, Bro. W. H. Faulkner was indefinitely suspended from all the privileges of Masonry.

A Semi-Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge was held in May, 1859. The only matters under consideration was an application from Bro. Faulkner, asking to be restored to his Masonic privileges, which was rejected; and the discussion of the right of Lodges to punish their members for non-payment of dues.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge was held on November 1st, 1859—M. W. Grand Master, G. C. Whiting, presiding; with a full and complete representation from all the Lodges.

The committee to whom was referred the question as to the power of Subordinate Lodges to inflict the punishment of suspension upon their members for non-payment of dues, reported adverse to this power, and recommended the following for the adoption of the Grand Lodge :

1. That suspension, in Masonic parlance, is from all the privileges of Masonry, and cannot be otherwise construed, without a change in the established usages of the fraternity, and in no case should this punishment be inflicted for non-payment of dues.

2. That sentence of "exclusion" may be pronounced against a brother for non-payment of dues, under the operation of the by-laws of a Lodge, upon a report of the Secretary and a vote of the Lodge.

3. That this punishment shall exclude the brother from visiting his Lodge, and shall prevent his receiving a diploma or demit; and, during his exclusion, his name shall be dropped from the roll of members.

This matter lies over for future action.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence report the proceedings of thirty-five Grand Lodges. They say, that

"It is a source of much pleasure, and well may we say of comfort, after reading the bitter language used in the public prints from partizans of one section of our beloved land to those of another, to peruse the proceedings of our sister Grand Lodges, and to read the sentiments of kind and fraternal feelings therein expressed, and to notice the friendly greeting and the strong attachment manifested by all our brethren toward each other.

"We have pursued our usual course, not to enter into discussions about Masonic Jurisprudence, but merely to give our brethren a fair abstract from the proceedings of our sister Grand Lodges, and to advise them what our brethren and neighbors are doing."

In commenting upon the proceedings of our Grand Lodge, for 1859, they quote a remark of our Committee of Correspondence, that their previous report had been made up "principally by the use of the scissors," and then remark that

"Great difference of opinion exists as to what constitutes the special duty of a Committee of Correspondence; a few, as in Delaware, consider the review of the proceedings out of their sphere, and make no report at all; others think the pages of such report the proper field for controversy. '*In media tutissimo*,' between extremes, the true path in our opinion is to be found, with a plain

unvarnished statement of the doings of the various Grand Lodges in correspondence with our own."

Bro. W. H. Faulkner, was, on motion, reinstated in the rights and privileges of Masonry—the Grand Master deciding that this restoration did not restore said Brother to membership in his Lodge.

The Grand Master also decided that the exposition of a member's inability or other motive to pay the dues exacted as a condition of his continued membership in a Lodge, or to offer reasons why the prescribed penalty should not be inflicted upon him, was among the *privileges* of a Mason, of which he might avail himself or not, at his option, and, consequently, that it was not only highly inexpedient, but that, in his opinion, it was not *competent* for a Lodge to issue a summons to compel him to do so.

This is to us an entirely new position, and we cannot but believe that Grand Master Whiting made it without due reflection. It appears to us a strange ruling, that would prevent Lodges summoning members to show cause why this provision of its By-Laws should not be enforced against them.

M. W. Bro. Geo. C. Whiting was reelected Grand Master; and W. Bro. G. A. Schwarzman reelected Grand Secretary.

## FLORIDA.

This Grand Lodge held its Annual Communication at Tallahassee, in January, 1860.

M. W. Bro. Thomas Hayward delivered his annual address as Grand Master, and in it called upon the brethren of the Grand Lodge to profit by their past experience of hasty legislation, and to proceed more carefully in the discharge of their legislative duties.

He approves of the establishment of a Grand Masonic Congress, and hopes that Florida will be duly represented therein.

There was no report from the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

M. W. Bro. D. C. Dawkins was elected Grand Master, and Bro. John B. Taylor, Grand Secretary.

Three P. G. Masters had died in this jurisdiction: P. G. M. Jesse Coe, whom the Grand Master speaks of as a Brother universally beloved and esteemed; P. G. M. Gad. Humphreys, a zealous and devoted Mason; and P. G. M. Robt. Butler, whose eulogy was pronounced

in warm and glowing terms by P. G. M. R. K. Call, who had known him in all the relations of a long and eventful life. He was the friend of his youth. In the Lodge, his brother ; in the field, his companion in arms ; in the wilderness, his messmate—they had shared the same tent, the same privations, and the same dangers.

Brother Butler was called the founder of the Grand Lodge of Florida, although not its first Grand Master, for it was his energy, his zeal, his intelligence, and his purse which called it into being and sustained it afterwards.

### GEORGIA.

This Grand Lodge assembled in the city of Macon on the 26th day of October, 1859, with a very full representation of the Subordinate Lodges.

The Grand Master's address is principally filled up with an argument relative to the powers and privileges of a Grand Lodge, in answer to a query propounded by the Committee of Foreign Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of Florida. This portion of the address exhibits a considerable research into the archives of Masonry, and is well worthy of perusal.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence review the proceedings of thirty-one Grand Lodges, our own among the number, and recommend the passage of the following resolution :

*“ Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of Georgia, in grateful appreciation of the kindness bestowed upon the sick and destitute brethren from this jurisdiction by Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1, hereby appropriates one hundred dollars, the amount advanced to brethren from this jurisdiction, and that the Grand Treasurer forward a check for that amount to the Worthy Master of said Lodge.”*

They also offer a resolution approving of the Grand Lodge of New York in its course in resisting the encroachments of the Grand Lodge of Hamburg.

Both these resolutions were adopted; and from a published letter from W. Bro. Jas. B. Scot, we perceive that the money has been paid into his hands as Master of Louisiana Relief Lodge.

The Grand Master and Grand Secretary both reelected.

### ILLINOIS.

This Grand Lodge held its twentieth Annual Communication in

the city of Springfield, on the second day of October, 1860. This Grand Body now consists of three hundred and forty-six working Lodges, being an increase of twenty-seven Lodges during the last year.

Grand Master Ira A. W. Buck, presented his views upon several important points, in a brief and well written address ; he acknowledges his appointment as the Representative of this Grand Lodge, and recommends the adoption of the system of representation in Grand Lodges, which we are glad to perceive was done.

We make no apology for the following extract which will apply to almost any jurisdiction as well as to Illinois:

"It is very gratifying to me at this time to be able to speak of the harmony that now exists throughout this jurisdiction. I have been able in almost every case when difficulties have arisen, to bring the brethren to a sense of their duty. I must again implore the officers of the several subordinates, who are here present, to inculcate more efficiently in the several Lodges, the examination of the character of applicants to become members. We must not disguise the fact that unworthy men have succeeded in passing our portals, and are constantly making trouble. Being in correspondence with most of you, and learning from each Lodge their trials and difficulties, I find the amount of bad men in the aggregate is large. This should not be so; purge your Lodges of this material. Do your duty to the great brotherhood; better by far that a limb be amputated than that the whole body be affected with this poisonous matter."

The Grand Master recommends a ballot for every degree.

The following amendment to the By-Laws was offered by Bro. Lucky, and lies over for one year :

"That the work known as the Webb-Preston Work, promulgated by Brothers Samuel Willson and Philip C. Tucker, of Vermont, and Brother Robert Morris, of Kentucky, is hereby recognized as the original and only work of this jurisdiction, and this Grand Lodge hereby affirms it in every particular, as binding upon its Subordinate Lodges."

W. Bro. H. G. Reynolds, for the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, condenses a very able report into twenty-nine pages. It quotes much interesting matter from the proceedings of Grand Lodges, with occasional comments. It gives the report of a special committee of the Grand Lodge of Virginia in the case of Bro. Sleet, but we regret that the committee did not express an opinion upon this point.

Before closing, the brethren joined in singing Burns's Adieu, at the suggestion of the Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Ira A. W. Buck was reelected Grand Master; W. Bro. H. G. Reynolds was reelected Grand Secretary.

### INDIANA.

The Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge was held at Indianapolis, on the 28th day of May, 1860.

The address of Grand Master A. C. Downey is mostly devoted to local subjects. He mentions having received a communication from this Grand Lodge, in regard to the appointment of a Representative near that Grand Body, and refers the matter to the Grand Lodge, without comment. We perceive that opposition was made to the report of the special committee on this subject, but was finally overruled, and the Grand Master authorized to appoint a Representative near this Grand Lodge, and to extend similar courtesy to other Grand Lodges, when requested to do so.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is from the pen of Bro. John B. Fravel, and covers a space of eighty pages in the printed proceedings.

The proceedings of this Grand Lodge noticed are those of 1858. There should have been before the committee the proceedings of two later years.

We perceive that M. W. Bro. Robert Morris, of Kentucky, was present at this session, and was invited to exemplify the work in the three Degrees.

The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both reelected.

### IOWA.

The seventeenth Grand Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Iowa was held at Burlington, on Monday, June 5th, 1860.

The address of the Grand Master is in the usual clear and lucid style of M. W. Bro. Hartsock, and displays a vigor and earnestness suitable to the important subjects on which he writes.

There were present at this Communication those distinguished and learned brothers, Robert Morris, of Kentucky, and Samuel Willson, of Vermont; two brothers who claim to be in possession of the true Preston-Webb Work. The following resolution was adopted:

“That the Grand Lodge now, as heretofore, declare its unalterable adherence to the Ancient Webb Work, and having the fullest confidence in the evidence fur-

nished, that the work as exemplified by the custodians, and under their direction by brothers Morris and Willson, does hereby adopt the same as the Work and the only Work hereafter to be taught in this jurisdiction."

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is from the pen of Bro. C. Stewart Ellis, and is a compact work of forty-one closely printed pages. In commencing, the committee state, that they

"Have studiously abstained from discussing the many questions of 'right and wrong' in Masonry, which so many of our co-laborers in this interesting field deem the especial line of their duty, preferring to present for your consideration an *epitome* of the most important features in the proceedings of the different sovereign Grand Lodges with whom we are in correspondence."

They quote in full from the address of Grand Master Tucker his "traces of the genealogy of the Preston-Webb Work," which extract, by the way, is well worthy of preservation as a valuable addition to Masonic history.

We hope that in the next report of this committee they may be enabled to congratulate their brethren

"Upon the unexampled prosperity which seemingly attends the entire sisterhood of Grand Lodges with whom we are in correspondence. Not a cloud mars the serenity of our Masonic horizon, not a breeze ruffles the even surface of our expansive fraternity."

M. W. Bro. Thomas H. Benton was elected Grand Master, and W. Brother T. S. Parvin reelected Grand Secretary.

## KANSAS.

We have before us the proceedings of this Grand Lodge, for October, 1859, and October, 1860. The first held in the city of Lawrence, and the last in the city of Atchison.

Grand Master R. R. Rees delivered on each occasion a short address upon general subjects, he mentioning the unfortunate conflagration in the city of Leavenworth during the previous year, in which the Grand Secretary's office was involved, nearly all the copies of the printed proceedings of the previous year were destroyed, a few copies only remaining in the hands of the officers.

The reports of the Committee of Correspondence is a careful review of the proceedings of the different Grand Lodges which were evidently read with great care, and many extracts given ; Louisiana



is favorably mentioned, and an extract relative to the clandestine Lodges in our midst presented, as they considered that subject worthy of consideration by other jurisdictions who might be affected by the state of things prevailing here.

The committee notices with commendable good humor the various "severe notices" to which their former reports have been submitted, and remark as follows:

"One thing is certain; we *try* to be good natured and to be good Masons. In the former, we *may* succeed, but in the latter we have our fears. If we have in all of our notices of other Grand Lodges and their comments, so far subdued our passions as to seem good natured, it is merely because we are young, and consider discretion to be the better part of valor."

At the session of 1860, M. W. Brother G. H. Fairchild was elected Grand Master, and R. W. Brother C. Mundee reflected Grand Secretary.

## KENTUCKY.

We have the volume of proceedings of this Grand Lodge at its Annual Communication, held in October, 1859, and also the report of its Committee on Foreign Correspondence, delivered at the session of October, 1860.

Grand Master Robert Morris reminds the brethren, in his address, that

"This is the sixtieth Grand Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, the Mother Grand Lodge of the Mississippi Valley. For the first nine years, from October, 1800, to August, 1808, the Grand Lodge met semi-annually. Since that period its sessions have been annual. For the first time since 1840, a period of nineteen years, your assemblage is in the city of Louisville. \* \* \* A great change has taken place in the condition of Masonry, in Kentucky, since last your gavils were heard in this city. At that time but thirty-three Lodges were represented, and the active membership of the Society in Kentucky was scarcely one thousand. Now the number of your Lodges exceeds three hundred, and that of your membership eleven thousand, so great has been the progress of our Institution in nineteen years."

Grand Master Morris devotes a considerable portion of his address to an advocacy of the Webb Work and Lectures, and remarks that,

"In view of the numerous discrepancies existing in the State, and considering that none of the rituals invented during the last twenty years can have the least

claim to our respect, I recommend that the Grand Lodge, by solemn vote, disapprove of the numerous and increasing innovations introduced by incautious brethren, into the Work, and that you approbate and recommend a speedy return to the pure, genuine, ancient, and consistent Work and Lectures of Thomas Smith Webb, as taught in the School of Instruction during the past year."

Your committee regret that they have not the time to do full justice to the very able and lengthy reports of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence for 1859 and 1860, both of which are written by W. Bro. J. M. S. McCorkle. Copious extracts are presented of the proceedings of other Grand Lodges, and mentions approvingly the reports of our former Committee on Correspondence, and extracts largely from its reports of 1859 and 1860.

Bro. McCorkle approves of the following wholesome resolutions adopted by the Grand Lodge of Texas :

"That in addition to the usual questions asked a candidate for initiation, there should be added the question—'Have you ever before made application for initiation in any Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons?'

"Resolved, further, That should the answer be in the affirmative, then all action of the Lodge shall be suspended until the applicant can show himself entitled to the degree, under our Constitution and regulations."

Your committee, in view of the requirements of the By-Laws of this Grand Lodge, recommend that similar resolutions should be adopted.

The special committee to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's address relating to Work and Lectures, reported at length in favor of his proposition—

"To return to the Work and Lectures of Thomas Smith Webb, *as taught in the schools of Masonic instruction during the past year.*"

This report and resolutions were laid upon the table, but were, at a subsequent meeting taken up and adopted, after striking out the concluding sentence quoted above in italics. So it would seem to have been a doubt in the minds of our Kentucky brethren whether the Work and Lectures taught in the "schools of Masonic instruction," established by Bro. Morris, were in truth the genuine "Webb" Work.

At the session of 1859, M. W. Bro. Harvey T. Wilson was elected Grand Master, and W. Bro. J. M. S. McCorkle was elected Grand Secretary.

## MARYLAND.

We have before us three thick volumes of the proceedings of this Grand Lodge, being of the Communications of November, 1859, and of May and November, 1860.

At the last, M. W. Bro. Anthony Kimmel presided, and delivered an address of eight pages. He mentions the death of "Bro. Chapin A. Harris, Doctor of Medicine and Doctor of Dental Surgery, at the time of his death, the head Professor of the Dental College of this State;" a Brother who, for twenty-five years, had been an active and faithful co-laborer in the cause of Masonry.

We also extract the following in relation to the powers of a Grand Master :

"In the Masonic Institution, the highest authority and power are vested in the Grand Master, who, by the ancient law, which is unabrogated and in full force to this day, is the embodiment of the interest, the character, and immunities of the whole Craft of his jurisdiction. The ancient charges allow nothing to be done without the consent and the advisement of the Grand Master. He is the embodiment of authority, in fact as well as in form. His actions and opinions are not subjects of inquiry, nor can they be interfered with.

*"He is absolute in his rule.* The prerogatives of the Grand Master are not to be compared with the restricted power of a presiding officer of an ordinary association, who is tied down by set rules, created by the association itself. A constitution cannot restrict his rule, nor abridge his power, because they are inherent in the high office, nor can any power go behind his throne to detect his errors, correct his decisions, or inquire into his fallibility. *There is no appeal from his decisions.*"

The Grand Master adds his reasons and gives authorities for the support of his opinions on this subject.

One more extract:

"In the preparation of this address, at my own 'Linganore,' in the dull monotony of country life, I have been led to consider the progress of Masonry in this jurisdiction for the past thirty odd years, during which I have witnessed many changes. I have watched the numerical increase of membership with an anxious eye, as I have observed the members that have applied for admission into our temple. I have mourned the departure of the brethren of my early Masonic career, who have been removed from us by the hand of death. Some were among the most accomplished and chivalrous gentlemen of Maryland, who have graced the membership of the Lodges of this jurisdiction. The best and most distinguished men of the State have had their names recorded among our archives; there they will remain, as if embalmed for perpetual memorial, while

their virtues and deeds shall be had in remembrance, and be held up for imitation before the future members of our Craft. One by one they have fallen. They have gone to their rest, and calmly await the period when they shall be reunited. As they have been brothers and friends in the terrestrial, so may they be of the celestial Lodge, when and where we hope we shall enjoy their society forever. The thought is a happy one, and in its indulgence death loses its terrors."

"Weep not, it says, at nature's transient pain,  
Congenial spirits part to meet again."

At the close, the Grand Master recalls attention to his having, at the previous Communication, given notice that he should decline a reelection.

At the election of officers, Bro. John S. Berry was elected Grand Master, but was not installed into office, for the following reasons given by Grand Master Kimmel :

"The Grand Master finds that in the election of Grand Officers on Tuesday night last, a brother was elected to the office of *Grand Master*, in whose case there are constitutional difficulties which render it necessary that his installation should not be admitted. These constitutional difficulties may be stated as follows :

"Section 6th of Article 1st of the Constitution declares, that 'no brother can be installed as a Grand Officer, and at the same time hold the office of Master or Warden of a Subordinate Lodge.'

"The brother elected to the office of Grand Master was, at the time of his election, and is still, the Master of Adherence Lodge, No. 88; and, according to the Constitution, is therefore disqualified for installation.

"The brother being thus disqualified, could not have been eligible to the office of Grand Master; for the law of the Masonic Institution cannot admit that the office of Grand Master shall be vacant for a single moment by its own provisions, or that an officer elect shall be ineligible for a single moment for installation, or that the provisions of its constitutional laws shall be carried out except in accordance with those provisions."

The Grand Master gives further reasons, but these are sufficient to show the obstacle that was considered insurmountable to Bro. John S. Berry's being installed into the office for which he had been elected.

We think that the framers of this provision of the constitution never intended this section to be so construed; but as it has been, we think that the sooner it is repealed, the better it will be for the interests of Masonry in Maryland.

The reports of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence for the

three sessions, are from the pen of Bro. Jno. McJilton, and are of extraordinary length, but abound with useful and interesting Masonic matter. This Grand Lodge is only mentioned in the report of November last, in which the transactions of our last Communication are given at length.

Bro. McJilton, however, must have rather glanced at than read some portions of the Grand Master's address, otherwise he could not have made so many errors in stating what had been done, and what decisions were made by the Grand Master. He states that

"One dispensation was granted to a Lodge to *elect* its officers out of time, the Lodge having failed to perform the duty in the regular constitutional period."

If Bro. McJilton will look again, he will find that the dispensation was granted simply to permit the Lodge to *install* its officers after the constitutional period fixed in the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge, the election having been regularly held and in full accordance with its requirements.

Again, Bro. McJilton says, that

"Another dispensation *was granted* to allow a Lodge, the Master of which had died, to elect a Master. The only sufficient reason that could have been given for this necessity, is the absence of the other officers, or their inability to act. When provision is made by the law for the filling of vacancies or for anything else, the law, unless rendered ineffectual by some unusual circumstance, ought to be allowed to take its course."

The writer of this agrees entirely with Bro. McJilton in this opinion, but again refers him to the *record*, where he will find that, for similar reasons, the application instead of being "*granted*" was *refused*.

The other decision objected to was, that

"Every Mason has the right to object to the admission of an applicant; but when he does so, he should name the reason, so that the Lodge may consider the objection."

This, was intended to apply only to the right of Masons *not members of the Lodge* to which the applicant applied; it was never intended to interfere with the right of the *secret ballot*, which we think to be one of the vested rights and privileges of a member of a Lodge.

One more correction, and your committee will enter upon more agreeable duties than those of finding fault with our very highly esteemed brother.

Bro. McJilton objects to the accepting of the resignation of the Grand Tyler ; again we refer our brother to the printed report, where he will find that the resignation spoken of, was that of the office of "Grand Lodge Hall Keeper," an office in the gift of the Board of Directors of the Hall, which could not certainly be called a Masonic office. The brother spoken of was "*suspended* from the exercise of his duties as W. Master of a Lodge and Grand Tyler."

The other decisions referred to are approved by Bro. McJilton, and these doubtless would have been, had they been understood.

The following is in reference to the clandestine Masons in this city:

"What is most singular, and singularly reprehensible in this issue, is the fact that Master Masons can be so utterly fallen from the position they once occupied, as to consent to associate in such surreptitious purposes and pursuits. They have no more right to the honored title of Master Masons, in such relationship, than they have to the Emperorship of France. They are mean and miserable usurpers of Masonic titles and Masonic honors, and base betrayers of Masonic trusts ; and if treated as they deserve, they would be repelled by the community as dishonest men.

"There is no more excuse for such outrages, than there is for thieving and murder, and it would be well for the traitors, if they could be rendered amenable to the law, and punished for their crimes.

"We should be pleased to learn that the strong language which we here use, and which every true Mason will endorse, had reached the dens of iniquity in which they perform their foul work, and that they had as strongly denounced it as we denounce them. Masonry has endorsed enough of this sort of wrong. She has been sufficiently outraged by her apostate sons, and part of the record of every instance of the kind that has taken place, is that of penitence, and remorse, and shame.

"Their conduct was vile enough in their willingness to associate themselves together for the work of innovation and apostacy ; but to set themselves up for business in the base deception they practice upon innocent persons entrapped by them into their society, is simply infamous.

"If they cannot be reached in their apostacy and imposition, they must work their way of wrong until it reaches its end, an event that is inevitable, as all the history of past assumptions and usurpations is proof.

"One of the most unpleasant features in this innovation is the wrong that must be endured by the persons who are deceived into the companionship of these imposters. Hailing from their society, they are denounced as clandestine Masons, and not admitted into regular Masonic associations. Under present arrangements in Louisiana, it is impossible to apply any healing process to the irregular work of the usurpers, and their victims are obliged to suffer the penalty of their

offence. It was a painful duty to the Grand Master of the jurisdiction to repel applicants that came to him with their complaint, and desired his intervention in order to be admitted into the fraternal relationships of the Order. The rule of the Grand Lodge, adopted for its own defence, precludes the healing of the deceived, and they must, for the present, abide the evil of the deception."

Bro. McJilton refers to the report of our Committee on Foreign Correspondence as a "curious document," and does not appear to approve of Bro. Fellows' mode of generalizing the subjects, instead of treating the different Grand Lodges in detail.

He refers with pleasure to the working of Louisiana Relief Lodge, and says that it deserves the warmest approbation of the Craft, not only in every State and Territory, but in every part of the world.

In closing the report, he treats upon the following "Subjects of General Interest:"

- "1st. Is it proper to allow a suicide to be buried with Masonic honors?"
- "2d. Want of Masonic knowledge among active craftsmen.
- "3d. Masonic Baptism.
- "4th. The Past Master's Degree."

We should be glad to extract some portions of his arguments on these points, did our time and space permit.

## MAINE.

The Grand Lodge of Maine assembled in Annual Grand Communication, in the city of Portland, in May, 1860. The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Hiram Chase, delivered an address of six pages. He refers to the matter in dispute with the Grand Lodge of England, but forbears making any comment, as the whole subject would be brought before the Grand Lodge, with all the correspondence.

A "Statement of Facts" in reference to these disputes, has been directed to the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, "inviting an earnest examination of the same, and an early reply."

It appears from the documents submitted to your Committee, that St. Croix Lodge, at Calais, working under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Maine, complained of the action of Union Lodge, 866, located at St. Stephens, New Brunswick, and under the authority of the M. W. United Grand Lodge of England, in making Masons of persons residing at Calais, and averring that one person, at least, who had been rejected by St. Croix, had been received into Union

Lodge. A statement of these facts had, in the first place, been made to the Deputy Grand Master of New Brunswick; but, although it was known that this statement had been received, yet no answer was returned.

The Grand Master then opened a correspondence with the M. W. Grand Master of England, stating the grievances complained of, and asking at his hands protection and redress. The first letter was written by Grand Master Robert P. Dunlap, in September, 1857. In July, 1858, a reply is given from the Earl of Zetland, the M. W. Grand Master of England, from which we extract the following :

"The M. W. Grand Master is of opinion, that every Lodge possesses the abstract right to initiate any person whom it may consider fit and proper, without considering where his residence may be. For example—Lodges in the county of Northumberland have an undoubted right to initiate persons residing in Scotland, and Lodges in Scotland have a similar right to initiate persons residing in England. Nor could the Grand Lodge of either country complain of, or object to, such a proceeding. It is for the person who seeks admittance into the Order to select the Lodge in which he wishes to be initiated."

The Grand Master deems it right, that any Lodge that has by its own act divested itself of such right, ought to observe such conditions faithfully, even though attended at times with some slight inconvenience, and proceeds to say :

"But independently of any existing arrangements, the M. W. Grand Master is of opinion, that it is not desirable nor convenient that a Lodge should bind itself to confine its initiations to residents in its own immediate locality ; or that it should only initiate persons residing over a certain territorial boundary line, with the consent of a Lodge working on the other side of said line, even with the proviso—as proposed by Union Lodge—that sufficient reasons should be given for withholding such consent. And it must be self-evident, that if one Lodge gives the reasons, and the other is to be the judge whether those reasons are sufficient, frequent difficulties and disputes are sure to arise."

This letter was reported upon by the Committee on Foreign Correspondence in May, 1859, which report embraces a statement of the whole question, and places the whole matter upon well-known and recognized Masonic ground. Objecting to the ruling of the Grand Master of England, and referring him to the sixth proposition put forth by the "Universal Masonic Congress of Paris," to wit :

"Before proceeding to the initiation of a non-resident, inquiry shall be made



of the authorities of the country to which the candidate owes allegiance, except in well authenticated cases of emergency."

The Committee then submitted the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted :

"1. *Resolved*, That this review of the decision of the M. W. Grand Master of England, be communicated to him by our M. W. Grand Master, with the request that he will require all Lodges under his jurisdiction, in our neighboring Provinces, to abstain from all acts inconsistent with the established laws and usages on this Continent, as recommended by the Universal Masonic Congress, and defined above by the member of the Permanent Commission, and that the Grand Master report to this Grand Lodge at the next Annual Communication.

"2. *Resolved*, That, pending the correspondence, the Grand Master take such measures as he shall deem necessary to protect the Subordinate Lodges from the grievances complained of."

This report was afterwards transmitted to the Grand Master of England, by Grand Master Chase, with a letter, in which he again "most respectfully requested, that, upon a review of the subject, he would require all Lodges under his jurisdiction in the neighboring Provinces, to abstain from all acts inconsistent with the established laws and usages on this Continent, as recommended by the Universal Masonic Congress."

In answer to this last communication, a reply was received from W. Bro. Wm. Gray Clarke, in which he writes that he

"Is directed by his lordship to state that he has no power as Grand Master, nor does he think it desirable that he should have power under the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of England, to dictate to subordinate Lodges any rule as to the place of residence of those whom they shall initiate into Masonry."

That he is

"Commanded to refer you to his already expressed opinion, and to state that the Grand Lodge of England is in ignorance of the resolution of *alleged* 'Universal Masonic Conference at Paris,' took no part in its proceedings, and is not bound by its acts."

The matter is brought to the attention of this M. W. Grand Lodge by the passage of the following resolution:

"*Resolved*, That the letters aforesaid, with a review of the same when published, with such explanations as may be necessary to a clear understanding of the case, be forwarded by our R. W. Grand Secretary to the M. W. Grand Lodge of England and the Grand Orient of France, as well as to all the Grand Lodges on this continent, inviting an earnest examination of the same and an early reply."

Your committee, in view of the very clear statement of this controversy as given by our brethren of Maine, deem it unnecessary to add more than to state the opinion, that the position taken by the Grand Master of England is one which but few American Masons will approve, and to express their regrets that the evils complained of which gave rise to the controversy, have been more recently renewed.

### MASSACHUSETTS.

The proceedings of four quarterly Communications of this Grand Lodge, including an excellent address from Grand Master John T. Heard, are contained in a pamphlet of fifty-five pages. We regret that this Grand Lodge adheres to the economical system of *not* publishing the names of members of the Lodges in their jurisdiction. Many a stray Massachusetts man presents himself at the portals of our Lodges, and it would be well if a record existed to prove his claim of active membership.

A special committee to whom was referred a communication from the Grand Lodge of Maine, proposing an interchange of Representatives, offered the following report, which was unanimously adopted:

"That this subject has heretofore been acted upon by this Grand Lodge, who have deemed it inexpedient to make such appointments in their behalf. This Committee see no ground for changing this decision, and they therefore recommend that no further action be taken on this subject.

"In behalf of Committee.

"G. WASHINGTON WARREN, *Chairman.*"

We should have expected a more liberal policy proposed by a brother with a combination of such revered names, or at least something like a show of reason for opposing fraternal interchange of courtesies between Masonic Grand Bodies.

The new Grand Master in his address presents the following suggestions, which we are sorry to find did not produce a corresponding action on the part of the Grand Lodge:

"The reports of the proceedings of the Grand Lodges of the United States, with few exceptions, are presented in an extended form, and are voluminous documents, especially when contrasted with the few pages which emanate from this Body, and contain the names of members of Subordinate Lodges, and other matters perhaps of no general interest. They also embrace the reports of Committees on Foreign Correspondence, which, in my opinion, embody much that is

valuable and important to be known by all well informed Masons, who are interested or should be in the condition of this widely extended organization. Except through such a medium as these committees, how can the brethren of this jurisdiction know of what is transpiring elsewhere? How can they be enlightened on the Masonic jurisprudence of the several States, and in their views on questions which relate to this important subject? Might it not be well for us to present annually a *résumé* from the Annals of Freemasonry everywhere? At least, is it not a topic worthy of your consideration?

The address of Grand Master John T. Heard at the dedication of Freemasons' Hall, is a valuable addition to our Grand Lodge Library, as it contains many interesting reminiscences of the Masonic history of Massachusetts.

### MICHIGAN.

The proceedings of the Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge, held in January, 1860, was received about a month afterwards, showing extraordinary exertions on the part of the Grand Secretary.

The address of the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. J. Adams Allen, occupies about forty pages. He says that—

“To-day, Masonry in Michigan occupies the highest position it has ever known, whether we consider its moral or material grandeur.”

The question of “Work” was brought to the attention of the Grand Lodge. In the year 1845, this Grand Lodge issued an “edict” recommending to the Lodges of that jurisdiction the so-called “Baltimore,” otherwise the “Barney Work,” as at that time practised in “Detroit Lodge, No. 2.” The Grand Visitor and Lecturer found considerable difficulty in ascertaining exactly what this Work was, as several Lodges claimed to be in full possession of this Work, having received it from Brother Barney himself, none of whom appeared to agree as to the true version. The Grand Master remarked, that his investigations upon that point had convinced him that there are several varieties of the “Barney Work,” each of equal legitimacy, so far as he was concerned, for he did not adhere to any fixed standard.

The Special Committee on Work reported a method of giving the funeral honors, “as being both sanctioned by usage and as highly significant and impressive.”

The Grand Master in his address gave fifty-nine decisions on Masonic law, nearly all of which were approved by the Grand

Lodge. Some few of his decisions were overruled on the report of the Special Committee to whom they were referred.

The Grand Master decided that committees of Lodges might be fined for non-performance of their allotted duties. This, we think, was very properly overruled.

Past Grand Masters' Jewels were voted to M. W. Brothers William M. Fenton and J. Adams Allen.

Since penning the above, we have been put in possession of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Michigan, at its Annual Communication, January, 1861; and again we are compelled to compliment W. Bro. Fenton, Grand Secretary, in having the proceedings in print so soon after the session of the Grand Lodge.

Grand Master Greenly, in his address, alludes to the dark cloud that "now lowers over our beloved Union." He says:

"Fearful, indeed, are the portents which are shadowed forth from its thick darkness; but in the language of one of my worthy and respected predecessors, 'the fraternal relations existing amongst brethren throughout this country, form an element of strength—a bond of union stronger than any other—for these alone have been able to resist the efforts of bigotry, the force of superstition, the rage of party, and is the only relation in which men who differ in all else can agree.' May we not hope that when all efforts at reconciliation shall have failed, that our beloved Order, powerful alone for good, may, by an united effort throughout the length and breadth of our land, bring about that harmony which alone can save our common country. I would, therefore, earnestly recommend that some action be taken by this Grand Body, with the view of enlisting all the Grand Lodges of the Union in the same effort to bring about so desirable a result."

The Committee to whom this portion of the Grand Master's Address was referred, reported at length upon the subject of the Union, regarded its preservation "as of the utmost importance to the best interests of our race and country;" and believed

"That all honorable efforts should be made in order to restore peace and concord. That the Masons of Michigan were deeply attached to our present form of government, and to the constitution of our country, and to the citizens of every portion of it; and that they should deplore as a calamity to the best interests of man the disruption of our confederacy."

And finally implored their

"Brethren in every section of our common country to exert their influence to soften the asperities of feeling and restore harmony to our councils, to the end, that the bonds of brotherhood may be strengthened, and as a united people we may move forward in the career of honor and usefulness."

The report and resolutions reported by the Committee were unanimously adopted.

M. W. Bro. Robt. Morris, present at this Communication, was very handsomely received, and responded in a brief, although eloquent address, in which he also alluded to the troublous times that were upon us; he feelingly exhorted the brethren of Michigan

"That whatever results might follow, even though the national fabric were to crumble and decay, and the people degenerate into civil war, *the Masonic tie* must not be broken, weakened, or affected."

Bro. Morris exemplified the Webb-Preston Work and Lectures in the three degrees of Masonry; and after the passage of a vote of thanks to this distinguished brother, he was received and accepted as an honorary member of that Grand Lodge.

The reports of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence of both Communications, are from the pen of Bro. Jas. Fenton, the Grand Secretary, and is a careful review of the doings of the various Grand Lodges on this continent, ours included. The decisions of the different Grand Bodies are given, and a plain narrative presented of their doings, with but little comment; the committee believing that the free interchange of reports of the manner of disposing of analogous cases, was a sure way of forming a right public opinion on all questions of Masonic practice and jurisprudence.

## MISSISSIPPI.

The proceedings of this Grand Lodge, at the Annual Communication held in January, 1860, are short, and contain but little of general interest.

Grand Master Mellen speaks of the hostility of the Roman Catholic church to the institution of Freemasonry, but thinks, that

"If the ban of that church, or other society, should fall at any time upon one of our initiates, who may be a member of it, we might regret that it should be so, but we have no right to complain. It is the individual who is wrong, in giving his allegiance to two associations at the same time. 'He cannot serve two masters,' and should leave the one or the other, when that allegiance conflicts."

According to this view, no Roman Catholic should ever become a Mason without first renouncing his religion.

Bro. Mellen thinks it

"Exceedingly dangerous for a conscientious man who is a member of one secret

society to join another, however praiseworthy its object; because he can have no assurance that he is not assuming a conflict of duties, to say nothing about the utter impossibility of one individual being able to bear the burden of his accumulated obligations resulting therefrom."

Bro. Mellen was much *shocked* at reading an account in the papers of the Masonic Baptism held in this city two years ago, and considers it as a sort of travestie of the Christian ordinance, but differing in form.

The special committee to whom this subject was referred, reported that they

"Knew nothing of Baptism as a Masonic right, \* \* \* \* \* and are opposed to the engrafting of new ceremonies into our Order."

Bro. Mellen and the committee were mistaken in supposing the ceremony alluded to, was a part of Masonry, or ever supposed to be such here. It was only a ceremony performed by Masons for, in their view, laudable purposes; the correctness of which, any one might judge for himself, as the whole was as public as the dedication of a statue.

## MISSOURI.

The fortieth Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge was held in the city of St. Louis, on the 28th of May, 1860.

The Grand Master, Marcus Boyd, was absent. In his address to the Grand Lodge he severely reproves the conduct of a "Convention of Master Masons" held at Lexington, in June, 1859, for the purpose of considering the action of the Grand Lodge in closing the Masonic College at Lexington. We approve of the stand taken by the Grand Master, and find that he was fully sustained by the Committee and the Grand Lodge.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is from the pen of the W. Grand Secretary, A. O. Sullivan, reviewing the proceedings of some twenty-seven Grand Lodges, our own not included.

## MINNESOTA.

The Grand Lodge of Minnesota held its Annual Communication in the city of St. Paul, in October last. M. W. Bro. A. T. C. Pierson delivered a short address, earnest and vigorous—the principal subject treated of, being that much discussed question, the Work and

Lectures. Bro. Pierson holds that "it is competent for any Grand Lodge to suit themselves as to ritual—to adopt, revise, or eschew at pleasure." Whether our distinguished brother is right or not in this opinion, his opinion seems to have been practically adopted by many Grand Lodges, each one selecting a mode of Work peculiar to its own jurisdiction.

Bro. Pierson mentions the death of Bro. David Oakes, at St. Paul, a very old Mason, who had been made a Mason in Vermont in 1795, and who was ninety-four years of age at the time of his death.

Some Masonic journalist, (we will not hazard a guess as to which one is meant,) comes in for some hard knocks for giving opinions on Masonic questions at random, without regarding the laws or regulations governing the jurisdiction from which the question originates. He says:

"I believe a well conducted journal, devoted to Masonry, is advantageous to the Craft, but when grown insolent by patronage, the editors interfere in the purely local affairs of a Grand Lodge, and assume to declare their Constitutions not Masonic, but declare a *higher law*, viz: the individual opinion of the writer, it is time that all the lovers of Masonry should avoid them."

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence occupies thirty-seven pages closely printed matter, carefully presenting the action of different Grand Lodges, our own included.

## NEBRASKA.

We have the proceedings of the third Annual Grand Communication of this Grand Lodge, held at Brownville, in June last.

M. W. Grand Master Robt. C. Jordan, who had presided over the Grand Lodge since its organization, having declined a reelection, was complimented by the passage of resolutions, assuring him that, in retiring from that station, he bore with him the fraternal esteem and confidence of all the officers and members of that Grand Lodge.

An address was delivered in public by the Rev. B. R. Baxter, which was a very excellent production. In that address the Rev. Brother gave some hard raps at those religious denominations who oppose Masonry, venturing the assertion, that "the most violent opposers of Masonry are those who are most ignorant of its principles and tenets."

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was

written by Bro. Furnas, who had undertaken the task at short notice, in place of the regularly appointed Chairman.

### NEW JERSEY.

The proceedings of this Grand Lodge before us are those of May, 1859, convened specially for the adoption of By-Laws; and of the seventy-third Grand Annual Communication, in January, 1860.

Grand Master Joseph Trimble, on retiring, was presented with a Past Grand Master's jewel.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was from the pen of the Grand Secretary, W. Bro. Joseph H. Hough, and occupies sixty closely printed pages, embracing copious extracts from the proceedings of sister Grand Lodges, our own included, giving a full history of *Louisiana Relief Lodge*, and concluding with the following approval of this organization:

"Such is a brief history of this truly noble institution, conducted by self-sacrificing brothers, who seem to spare nothing to relieve the necessities of the stranger in a strange land. We can only add, 'well done good and faithful servants,' etc."

### NEW YORK.

We have the proceedings of the Annual Communication of June, 1860, at which more than four hundred Lodges were represented. The M. W. Grand Master, in his address, gives a brief history of Masonry in that jurisdiction from 1800 to 1860, measuring its condition by *decades* of ten years. This is an interesting document to the Masonic student.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is from the pen of Bro. Ellicot Evan, who briefly reviews the proceedings of thirty-nine Grand Bodies, but does not appear to have received those of this Grand Lodge.

The decisions upon points of Masonic jurisprudence by the different Grand Lodges, are separately presented for the information of the brethren.

The most interesting portion of these proceedings is the circular letter from the Grand Lodge of New York in reference to the interferences of the Grand Lodge of Hamburg. This we consider important enough to present entire:



“REVIEW OF THE POLICY OF THE GRAND LODGE OF HAMBURGH.

“Circular Letter from the Grand Lodge of New York, to the M. W. the Grand Lodges and Grand Orients of North and South America and Europe, under Authority of the M. W. the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New York, N. A. As expressed in the Resolutions which have been adopted by this Body, at its present Annual Communication (June, 1859), and which Resolutions are embodied herein.

“We desire to present for your consideration and action, the course pursued by the M. W. the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, Europe, in relation to Masonry in the United States, and particularly its doings affecting the rights and sovereign authority of the M. W. the Grand Lodge of New York.

“The resolutions referred to are as follows, viz :

“1. *Resolved*, That the course pursued and the views expressed by the R.W. F. A. VON MENSCH, the able and faithful Representative of the Grand Lodge of New York near that of Saxony, in relation to the illiberal and unmasonic policy of the *Grand Lodge of Hamburg*, for persisting in the violation of the jurisdictional rights of this Grand Lodge, and for seeking to create dissensions between the Grand Lodges of Europe and America, is warmly approved and commended, and the thanks of this Grand Lodge are hereby tendered him therefor.

“2. *Resolved*, That the Committee on Foreign Correspondence be instructed to draw up a circular letter to the Grand Lodges and Grand Orients of Europe and America, respecting the unwarranted course pursued by the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, in seeking to produce discord in this jurisdiction, and among the Grand Lodges of the world, and fraternally soliciting such action thereupon as the exigencies of the case require ; and after its submission to and approval by the Grand Master, that it be then forwarded to such Grand Lodges and Grand Orients.

“3. *Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge of New York regards with painful emotions the attempt being made by the Grand Lodge of Hamburg herself to recognize, and to induce the other Grand Lodges of Europe to recognize bodies of colored men in the United States as Masonic Lodges and Grand Lodges, when it is a notorious fact that no legal organization of the kind exists in the American Union ; and that the adoption of any measures tending to this end by any Grand Lodge whatever, must be regarded by this Grand Lodge as the evidence of a desire on the part of the Body thus acting to cease all Masonic intercourse with the Grand Lodges of the United States and their constituents.

“The duties here imposed are plain and specific, yet delicate and important. It will be perceived from the language of the third resolution, that the questions presented involve the harmony and unity (if not the existence) of Masonry in the United States. Our Fraternity in other portions of the world cannot be indifferent in the discussion of questions of this magnitude. They will, we think, heartily and hopefully unite with us in an ardent desire for the ultimate settlement of the subject, in a mode that shall not disturb the harmony or unity of our wide-spread Fraternity. If, however, the same wise and prudent counsels shall prevail among the Grand Lodges of the United States, in the disposition of the subject, that have hitherto controlled their international relations, as well as their domestic policy, we feel entirely sanguine that the unhallowed purposes of the Grand Lodge of Hamburg will fail of accomplishment, so far as the Grand Lodges of North America are concerned. In order that these purposes may be fully understood, we beg to lay the facts before the Grand Lodges and Grand Orients of the different Continents addressed.

“In the year 1851, the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, on the application of some German Masons in the city of New York, granted a charter or warrant to open and work a Lodge, under its jurisdiction, in this locality. The purpose of establishing this Lodge here was communicated to the Grand Lodge of New York, in a letter written to its Grand Master, by the M. W. Brother Buek, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, dated at Hamburg, June 17, 1850, in which he propounds the question: ‘Would the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, in long and intimate connection with the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, and just now in possession of sufficient proof of our earnest wish for its continuance—would your Grand Lodge, under such circumstances, find fault with the Grand Lodge of Hamburg for meeting the wishes of its German Brethren in America? that is to say, for receiving them and other Lodges in the State of New York solely consisting of German Masons, and working in the German style and language amongst the number of its branch Lodges?’

“This letter came to the hands of the M. W. Brother Milnor, then Grand Master of New York, who replied in the month of September afterwards, stating that ‘the general feeling is decidedly against any foreign power holding jurisdiction here. We acknowledge but one Grand Lodge in the State, in its strictest sense, and this feeling is shared by our sister Grand Lodges. We think it would open the door to great and irremediable confusion. Action will be taken upon the matter, however, in June next’—that being the first meeting of the Grand Lodge of New York after the receipt of the M. W. Bro. Buek’s letter, at which action upon the proposition, under our constitution, could be taken. Another letter was written by the Grand Master of New York, to the Grand Master of Hamburg, in the month of January, 1851, containing views similar to the above, and saying: ‘I do most earnestly, then, dear Brethren, beg of you to pause. The whole matter shall be brought up in June, and be most carefully considered. Premature action on your part would be productive of the most unhappy consequences. \* \* \* In the name, then, of my Grand Lodge, I do most earnestly protest against an assumption of jurisdiction over any of her Lodges.’ With a confident belief that the bearing and course of the Grand Master of New York were eminently fraternal, though firm and unequivocal, we beg here to submit to the illustrious Bodies before which this communication will be laid, whether it was not the duty of the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, under these remonstrances, and at this juncture in her career, to pause before she invaded our jurisdiction, and see whether the consequences to result from this invasion would not at least be more injurious than beneficial? The next intelligence that we received from Hamburg was of quite a different character from that which we had reason to hope it would be. Although they had received our remonstrances and protest, they had granted the charter, and communicated the intelligence to us in a letter bearing the signatures of her first five Grand Officers, in the following language, viz: ‘At the risk that this act might, at the present moment, be misconstrued by you, beloved Brethren, and perhaps only at a later period meet with your approval, our Grand Lodge, in its session of the 8th of February this year (1851),

has resolved not to await the term of your decision, and to grant to the R. W. Lodge Pythagoras a charter, acknowledging her as a daughter of the Grand Lodge of Hamburg (said R. W. Lodge Pythagoras having, meanwhile, by a unanimous vote of the 30th December last year, dissolved her connection with your M. W. Grand Lodge, and declared herself an independent Lodge), which resolution has been acted upon and executed by us, on the 31st of March last, after the R. W. Lodge Pythagoras had returned the charter received from your M. W. Grand Lodge, on the 10th of March.'

"It was certainly prudent and honorable for the Grand Lodge of Hamburg to await the return, by Pythagoras Lodge, of the charter it had received from the Grand Lodge of New York, before supplying its place with a charter from its own Body. Under the authority of that original charter, it had been brought into existence, and had enjoyed the title of protection, encouragement, and support, from the Grand Lodge of New York, until its permanent prosperity was established, and its hopes of the future were as bright and encouraging as those of any Lodge in the Union.

"As promised by the Grand Master of New York, the subject was laid before his Grand Lodge at its next Annual Communication, in June, 1851, and it was referred to a very able committee, who after much deliberation, submitted a report, concluding with three resolutions. 1st. Remonstrating with Hamburg for the course she thought proper to pursue in trespassing upon our jurisdiction, and requesting the recall of the charter she had issued to Pythagoras Lodge. 2d. Declaring Pythagoras Lodge irregular, and forbidding intercourse with her members; and 3d, Requesting the Grand Secretary to notify the Grand Lodge of Hamburg of the action of the Grand Lodge of New York, and to demand of Pythagoras Lodge their books, jewels, papers, and other properties. The report of the committee was received, and the first of the three resolutions was adopted. When the other two came up for consideration, the writer of this circular letter (who was present) opposed their adoption *at that time*, upon the ground, mainly, that it was doubtful if the Grand Lodge of Hamburg was fully informed of the principle of *undivided sovereignty* which prevailed in New York and in the other States of the American Union. He was seconded in his efforts, for a postponement of action upon the resolutions, by the Representative of the Grand Orient of the Netherlands, and with a forbearance worthy of all commendation, on the part of the Grand Lodge, they were postponed until the meeting in September next thereafter. They were then taken up, and adopted in the following form, viz :

"*Resolved*, That the Body formerly known as Pythagoras Lodge, No. 86, be and the same is hereby declared irregular, and all Masonic intercourse with them prohibited. And whereas, the Grand Lodge of Hamburg has refused to accede to our affectionate remonstrance against granting a warrant to Pythagoras Lodge, No. 86, all Masonic intercourse be and the same is hereby suspended between this Grand Lodge and the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, *until she recalls said warrant*.'

"*Resolved*, That the Grand Secretary be requested to transmit a copy of the foregoing to the Grand Lodge of Hamburg.'

"It should here be stated that there is no rule, no law, no principle of Grand Lodge government prevailing among the Grand Lodges of the United States more

universal in its application, or more tenaciously maintained, than that of *undivided sovereignty*. Every one of these Bodies regard a violation of this principle with much the same feelings of abhorrence that their members, as American citizens, would regard the planting of a hostile colony under the walls of our national capitol! And under the influence of this feeling, the various Grand Lodges of the United States, and the National Masonic Convention, which was held in Washington, passed resolutions commending the Grand Lodge of New York for the stand it had taken, and forbidding intercourse with the members of Pythagoras Lodge; and many of them resolved to have no intercourse with Hamburg itself, until the charter to that Body was withdrawn. Not regarding either the action of the Grand Lodge of New York or of the other American Grand Lodges, and in defiance of their expressed wishes, we find that, on the 27th day of May, 1853 (two years after the first charter was issued), the Grand Lodge of Hamburg *granted another charter and established another Lodge in the city of New York!* Both of these Bodies (under charters from Hamburg) are still in existence, and working under the countenance and protection of the Grand Lodge of Hamburg. *They are, however, regarded by all regular Masons and Masonic Bodies in the United States, as irregular, and no Masonic intercourse is held with them.*

“The great object of Masonry is to cultivate peace, harmony, and fraternity among the families of mankind; it fosters none of the malignant passions which divide and destroy society; it has none of the attributes of war, and desires not the aid of and cannot employ any of its agencies to enforce its decrees. Its great mission is *peace*, its chief implement of warfare is *love*, and its influence among the families of men is to draw them together and make them one brotherhood. It looks for its maintenance, and the enforcement of its laws and decrees, to the obligations which its votaries have assumed, and the high moral tone which its ritual inculcates. Its genial and fraternizing influences extend to the remotest boundaries of civilization. All continents, all civilized nations, and even the islands of the sea, are peopled with its votaries. Like the extended possessions of a colossal empire, the great luminary of day does not cease to shine upon its altars. It forms a golden arch which encircles human society, and its keystone is composed of the moral jewel which was repeated in the accents of Divinity, among the lessons that were taught from the Mount of Olives, eighteen hundred years ago: ‘Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, do ye even so to them.’ Any Masonic government that deliberately and voluntarily removes this keystone, in its relations with other jurisdictions, deserves the reprehension of universal Masonry, because it thereby destroys the general harmony, and introduces confusion and disorder, in place of union and concord. But this keystone has been removed, this great maxim of Masonic faith has been violated, prostrated, and destroyed, in the action of the Grand Lodge of Hamburg. It has not withdrawn or offered to withdraw the charters of its illegitimate subordinates. Though apprised of the universal sentiment which prevails among the Grand Lodges of the United States in condemnation of its acts, it persists in

keeping up these Lodges in the jurisdiction of New York, in violation of our laws, and in defiance of our authority. This is not all. It is, indeed, but a tithe of her offending. It is a venial, an excusable offence, in comparison to a much greater wrong which she is seeking now to perpetrate. *Because we have declared her two Subordinates irregular, and suspended intercourse with her till their charters are recalled, she has invented a means of reprisal, a mode of retaliation, which, for deliberate revenge, has no parallel in the history of Masonry.* There are certain bodies of colored men, Africans, in the States of the American Union, at the South, as well as in the North, whose members claim to have got hold of some of the secrets, and profess to practice the rites of Masonry. They have no legitimate claims, and with an individual exception, as we believe, make no pretence to legitimate descent or authority from regular Grand Lodges. Many of those in the Southern States, as we are informed, are slaves—all are blacks and mulattoes. They have no Masonic fellowship with, because they are not recognized by, the Masons in this country. They are, as stated, mostly slaves and descendants of slaves, between whom and the whites there is an irreconcilable and irradicable repugnance to social equality. A persistent attempt to enforce this equality, would be very likely to result in the destruction of Masonry in the United States, or in a war of races, ending in the extermination of the negro race. Strange and unaccountable as it appears, it seems that the Grand Lodge of Hamburg contemplates this state of things with composure and complacency. She is disposed not only to recognize these Bodies herself as regular and legitimate Lodges and Grand Lodges, but she is trying to persuade the other Grand Lodges of Europe to do the same thing. The following quotation from the proceedings of that Body, of May 6th, 1858, will prove the scope of her designs, viz: ‘The Grand Lodge of Hamburg will, at its next convocation, make this question the topic of deliberation, relying thereby upon the support of its sister Grand Lodges, desiring them to communicate their views and intentions in respect to the recognition of the Grand Lodge of the Republic of Liberia, in Africa; but, *in particular, in respect to the Lodges and Grand Lodges of colored people, pronounced by the American Grand Lodges to be clandestine.*’ In another part of the Hamburg proceedings, they refer to ‘independent Lodges of colored people (negroes, mulattoes, etc.), in Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, New Jersey, Maryland, etc., which are united under Grand Lodges under the jurisdiction of a National Grand Lodge of America. We know little of them,’ says Hamburg, ‘because they are declared by the North American Grand Lodges as clandestine, and all Masonic intercourse is strictly forbidden.’ There can be, therefore, no possible misapprehension as to *who* and *what* Hamburg seeks to recognize as regular and legitimate Masons and Masonic Bodies.

“In reference to the individuals composing these Bodies, it is proper to say that their social *status*, both in the Northern and Southern States of the Union, is, *ex necessitate rei*, inferior to that of the whites, and their political privileges are limited. We will not stop to argue the policy or impolicy, the justice or injustice of this state of things. We take the facts as they are, and American society as it

is, and apply to them the rules of Masonic law. Among these rules, landmarks as they are called, are the following, viz :

" 1. 'The men made Masons must be free-born (or no bondmen), of mature age, and of good report,' etc., etc.

" 2. 'The privilege of assembling as Masons is no longer unlimited, but shall be vested in certain Lodges, convened in certain places, and legally authorized by the warrant of the Grand Master and the consent of the Grand Lodge.'

" Are the persons of color in the United States, who claim to be Masons, *free-born*? Slavery originally existed in nearly all the States of the American Union—in every one of them, we believe, except one. At the breaking out of the American Revolution, we had a population, in all, of 2,800,000 souls, of whom 500,000 in round numbers, were slaves. These comprised nearly all the blacks then in the American Union; and since that day (1775) to the present, the emigration of Africans to this country has been exceedingly limited. Except in individual and isolated instances, since the year 1808, it has been comparatively and almost absolutely nothing, and anterior to that period their migration hither was involuntary, compulsory, and as slaves. Hence, it will be perceived that nearly all of African blood in the United States are either slaves or the descendants of slaves, and as such, are ineligible to the degrees of Masonry under the Masonic landmark first above quoted; but if this landmark were ignored or disregarded, there are other obstacles equally insuperable to their recognition.

" Could we persuade ourselves it were necessary to argue the question of their moral and mental disabilities, or to present their inferior social *status* in American society, as furnishing evidences of their ineligibility to Masonic privileges, equality and honors, we should arrive at the same conclusion, that nothing but a revolution—an entire disruption and overturning of American society—could induce a recognition of the right of the African race in America to Masonic equality and privileges; but we do not propose to discuss these questions. We know there are differences of opinion on this subject in other portions of the world as well as here in the United States. These differences in the political world are serious, apparently irreconcilable, and sometimes threatening to the harmony and integrity of the American Union. With the realization of this truth, no Mason in the United States has, in his capacity as a Mason or Masonic officer, ventured to discuss them, and no good Mason will discuss them. We all know that strife, discord and disunion among the American Grand Lodges would be the inevitable concomitants of such a discussion. Hamburg is aware of this, and with the obvious design to bring on a collision, and to precipitate calamity and ruin upon the Masonic fraternity in North America, makes the proposition to the Grand Lodges and Grand Orients of Europe, which we have above copied from her proceedings, to recognize and legitimate the negro organizations in the United States as Masonic! Will the Grand Lodges of the world countenance, either by affirmative action or by inaction, this diabolical purpose? Will they suffer one of the great sisterhood of Masonic sovereignties, without rebuke or reproof, to commit an act so flagrantly violative of national comity, and so fraught with disaster to the peace and harmony of Masonry?

"As before stated, we do not propose to discuss the qualities which render the negro race in America ineligible to Masonic privileges. If it were proper here to do so, it is entirely unnecessary, for a brief recurrence to the origin and history of these pretended Masonic bodies will show how utterly, how palpably irregular they are, in view of the second landmark above quoted.

"We present the facts as they appear from a correspondence that transpired between the M. W. the Grand Master of Vermont, and the 'Corresponding Secretary of Prince Hall Grand Lodge,' a body of colored men in Boston, in the State of Massachusetts, which, as the product of 'African Lodge, No. 459,' we believe is conceded to be the fountain head and source of all negro bodies in North America assuming the Masonic name or character; for it must be known and understood, that no regular Grand Lodge of Masons in the United States has ever granted a charter or warrant to a body of colored men, nor do we think that such an event *can* transpire without a disruption of Grand Lodge government throughout the States of the American Union. We do not allow ourselves to indulge the presumption that a circumstance of this character would ultimate in that result, but that the high, the magnanimous and conservative tone of Masonic sentiment, among *all* the Grand Lodges of the American Union, forbids the possibility of such an occurrence. They are, in their national characteristics, a unit—forming a grand and glorious brotherhood of Masonic nationalities, whom deliberately to offend, in the person of its humblest member, is to awaken the indignation of all; and they comprise some thirty-five Grand Lodges, with an aggregate constituency of about 3000 Lodges and 250,000 members.

"The correspondence to which we have referred shows that the first organization of negroes, assuming the Masonic character in the United States, derived its authority from the Grand Lodge of England, under a charter issued by that body on the 20th day of September, 1784, giving to the body thus formed the name of 'African Lodge, No. 459,' which was located in Boston, in the State of Massachusetts. The location of this Lodge in Boston at the time mentioned, there being a Grand Lodge then in that State, was a violation of the territorial and jurisdictional rights of that body, and could not have been recognized by it though it had been composed of white men; for it is a recognized principle of Masonic law in the United States, as we have before stated, that no Grand Lodge whatever can legally establish a Subordinate Lodge in any other State where a regularly constituted Grand Lodge exists. And as contravening this principle, 'African Lodge, No. 459,' was irregular and spurious. But had it been regular in its origin, it became defunct by *non user*, as well as by the restoration of its charter to the Grand Lodge of England. It ceased to make returns to the Grand Lodge of England after it had been in existence some years, and its name was stricken from the registry, as appears from the correspondence of that body. On sending back the charter, *which was never returned to it*, a copy was kept, and after the Lodge had been dormant for a series of years it was revived *with this copy* by the persons who were in possession of it, and assumed to exercise the rights and privileges of a regular Lodge. We must pause here again, and inquire if the

fact here stated, which fact is indisputable, is not sufficient to show that the Lodge had no legal existence after the return of its charter to England? The only authority by which a Masonic Lodge can exist is a charter or warrant from some regular Grand Lodge empowering it to work. When this is withdrawn it ceases to exist. This proposition is so plain, after reading the second landmark above quoted, that it would be an act of supererogation to argue it. We will take it for granted that all Grand Lodges will admit it; and when admitted, it places Hamburg in the position of herself recognizing, and attempting to induce her sister Grand Lodges to recognize, a promiscuous gathering of Africans for a Masonic Lodge.

"But we have not done with the statement of our case. In 1827, the officers of this 'African Lodge, No. 459,' published in the Boston papers a manifesto, setting forth that 'We publicly declare ourselves free and independent of any Lodge from this day, and we will not be tributary or governed by any other Lodge than that of our own.' Again, in 1845, the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts had a personal interview with the Master of this same Lodge, at which interview the Master declared that they (the members of said Lodge) were 'entirely independent of all white Lodges, asked no favors of them, and would have nothing to do with them, nor would they admit a white Mason, if he should present himself as a visitor.' This Masonic non-intercourse, declared by the Africans against the whites in Boston, is very like the political non-intercourse declared by the same race in Liberia and Hayti, whose Masonry Hamburg, with gratuitous offices, is seeking to legitimate and recognize. The political constitution of the Republic of Liberia declares that—

"SEC. 13. The great object of forming these colonies being to provide a home for the dispersed and oppressed children of Africa, and to regenerate and enlighten this benighted continent, none but persons of color shall be admitted to citizenship in this Republic."

"The constitution of Hayti is of similar import, and declares that—

"ART. 7. No white person, of whatever nation, shall set foot upon Haytian territory as master or proprietor; and no white person shall hereafter acquire real estate, or become a citizen of Hayti."

"May we not again inquire (if this Body at Boston ever had a legal Masonic existence, which we deny) whether their acts last mentioned are not those of rebellion, which have placed the organization entirely outside the pale of Masonry? Suppose the individuals composing that Body had been white men, would any Mason fellowship with them? would any Grand Lodge recognize them? None whatever—not even Hamburg; and does the fact of their being Africans legalize their Masonic existence, or make it necessary that we should violate our Masonic obligations, ignore Masonic law, and defy the moral sentiment of universal Masonry, in order to sustain and embrace them? We think there is no governing Masonic Body in the world which would expect this of us, unless it is Hamburg. And when the Grand Lodge of that jurisdiction puts forth solemn arguments to induce this result, it is, as it appears to us, so great an insult to the Masonic families of the earth, so plain a violation of Masonic law, that it should call for their universal condemnation.



“And this insult, this outrage, assumes still larger proportions, when it is considered that all other negro Lodges and Grand Lodges in North America derive their authority from this spurious, irregular, and clandestine Body at Boston. That was the fountain head whence have come all other negro organizations in the United States assuming a Masonic name or character. Now, if a Body were to derive its authority from such a source, and plant itself in the city of Hamburg, and were *there* to assume the Masonic character, it would not for an instant be countenanced or recognized by the Grand Lodge of Hamburg. Its pretension to Masonic authority would be laughed to scorn by the members of that body; and whether the members of such an organization were *black or white*, would make no difference in establishing the illegitimacy of their pretensions. They would be thoroughly and entirely discarded, and condemned as impostors.

“We have not deemed it necessary to discuss the pretensions of the Bodies in Hayti and Liberia, spoken of by Hamburg, for the reason that they do not ask us to recognize them; we have no concern with them and are not affected by them. If any information is desired of them, we beg to refer to the exposition of their pretensions by the R. W. F. A. Von Mensch, in the Report on Foreign Correspondence, to the Grand Lodge of New York, for 1859, under the title ‘Hamburg.’

“From all these circumstances, we indulge the confident belief that the following conclusions are legitimate, correct, and inevitable, viz:

“1. In granting charters to Subordinate Lodges within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of New York, without the consent of this Body, and against the remonstrance of its Grand Master, and in the maintenance of these Bodies in opposition to and in defiance of the sovereign authority of this Grand Lodge, in derogation of its laws, and against the Masonic sentiment of this country, the Grand Lodge of Hamburg shows a disregard of the peace and harmony of Masonry, deserving the reproach and condemnation of the universal fraternity.

“2. That the Grand Lodge of New York, and the other Grand Lodges in the United States, were fully justified in declaring the Subordinate Lodges of the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, in New York, irregular and clandestine, and in suspending intercourse with the parent body; and the Masonic fraternity of these States show a proper respect to the authority of their Grand Lodges, in refusing to have intercourse with the Hamburg Masons, or with the members of their aforesaid illegitimate Subordinates.

“3. That no circumstance being stated and no occasion having arisen for the interference of Hamburg or any other Grand Lodge with the relation between the white and negro races in North America, there is no reason whatever for this interference except to arouse the prejudices of these races against each other, and to stir up the discord and dissensions which arise from irreconcilable differences among the white race.

“4. That there is nothing in Masonry to justify a resort to revenge or reprisal, and these words are unknown to the Masonic vocabulary; and in seeking to employ them through the agency of a recognition of the negro “Lodges” in the

United States, with a view thereby to retaliate for the ostracism of her constituents and subordinates, and to produce dissension and division among the American Grand Lodges, the Grand Lodge of Hamburg deserves to be cut off from all intercourse with the Grand Lodges of the world.

"5. That whatever opinions may prevail among the Grand Lodges and Grand Orients of the world in respect to the eligibility of the negro race in the United States to the rights and privileges of Masonry, there is no body composed of that race in these States, which now bears even the form of authority or regularity, and no Grand Lodge can recognize them without a total disregard of the laws of Masonry.

"6. That any Grand Lodge whatever which knowingly pursues the course indicated by the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, is an enemy to the peace, harmony and prosperity of the Masonic fraternity.

"We fraternally submit these facts and conclusions to the Masonic Grand Lodges and Grand Orients of the world, and respectfully ask such action and such advice in the premises as the exigencies of the case shall to them seem to require.

"NEW YORK, June 11, A. L., 5859.

"FINLAY M. KING, *Chairman*

"*Committee on Foreign Correspondence, Grand Lodge of New York.*

"The above circular letter has been submitted to, and has been read by me, and hereby receives my approbation.

"JOHN L. LEWIS, *Grand Master.*

"Attest:

JAMES M. AUSTIN."

The Grand Lodge of Hamburg, under date of February 3d, 1860, has made a lengthy reply to the above Circular Letter, which concludes with the following paragraphs:

"What remains to be established, is, whether the Lodge of colored people who met in convocation in New York in the year 1848, as the United Grand Lodge, is really in possession of the genuine charter of the year 1784, and whether she is to be considered the lawful successor of the original African Lodge at Boston. On this point the Grand Lodge of England alone could give a competent judgment which would be binding on all parties. Whether her omission to protest already suffices, we do not venture to decide.

"But when the English nation, in order to emancipate the negro slaves in her own colonies, and for the frustration of the slave trade on the African coast, has expended so much treasure, sacrificed so many lives, and made such uninterrupted exertions, then the Grand Lodge of England certainly will not hesitate to respond readily to every *just* desire of free colored brethren. But whether she will consider herself called upon, in the plenitude of her power to fill up and replenish defects and deficiencies, which might be found in the references and documents of the United Grand Lodge of colored people in New York, so that, what at present might appear imperfect, would become just and perfect, that she

would have to decide in her wisdom. It is to be presumed, however, that she would not draw back, if requested by Liberia to establish a Lodge or provincial Grand Lodge, and this, then, would have it in her power to aid her colored brethren in the United States at some future period.

"It is hardly necessary to mention how joyful it would be if the Grand Lodge of New York, and the rest of the Lodges of the free States, would give their brotherly aid to bring about such an event. It certainly will require a great deal on their part to conquer themselves, but that is one of the cardinal virtues to which Freemasonry should lead us, to fear no sacrifice, even that of habit and prejudice, when called upon to exercise brotherly love.

"To our colored brethren in the United States we might then say, Be satisfied for the present with that which you have attained; devote yourself quietly to the labors in your Lodges, without wishing to obtrude yourself on those to whom you know your society is not welcome; prove by that on your part, Masonic self-victory in consideration of the weakness of your brethren, and be convinced that, if you continue in your self-improvement, the time of your recognition will arrive, and the hand which now refuses will then open the portals for your entrance. *So mote it be.*"

To which the New York committee thus reply, in concluding their report:

"We shall say nothing about the subject discussed in the last part of the *Hamburgh* protocol, because the circular letter written by Bro. King, not only fully anticipates and answers, to the satisfaction of the Masonic world, as we think, and to the discomfiture of *Hamburgh*, every point of any importance presented in the protocol, and shows conclusively that there is not now, never has been, and never can be, a *regular* Masonic Grand or Subordinate Lodge of Negro Masons in the United States. It is in view of this fact that we do not feel ourselves at liberty to withhold the expression of our profound grief at such an exhibition of vanity, presumption and cool effrontery, as is manifest in the concluding sentences of the *Hamburgh* protocol, wherein its Saturnalian authors ask England to interfere in behalf of the negro bodies in the United States, ask the Grand Lodges of the Northern States to conquer their prejudices and embrace the colored people, and finally appeal to those negroes, and urge them to maintain their organizations 'until the time of their recognition shall arrive, and the hand which now refuses will then open the portals for their entrance.' The spirit that could prompt such sentiments is much like that which influenced *Nero* to be content with playing upon his fiddle, and quietly contemplating the scene while the devouring elements were consuming ancient Rome.

"We dismiss the whole subject, with the prayerful hope that the Grand Lodges and Grand Orients of the world will give the views and conclusions of the Grand Lodge of New York their candid and careful consideration, and advise us of the result."

Since the closing of the Annual Session of the Grand Lodge of New York, the committee of that State say:

"We have been favored with the printed protocol, No. 54, of the Grand Lodge of Saxony, from which we extract the following important action of that distinguished body, at their meeting of the 28th of June last, touching the question proposed by the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, relative to the recognition of 'colored Lodges and Grand Lodges' existing in the United States.

"ARTICLE V."

"The M. W. Grand Master then gave a short review of the course which the question, moved by the Grand Lodge of Hamburg on the recognition of the colored Lodges, had taken.

"After the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, in her Transactions of the 27th of February, 1858, had mentioned for the first time the relations of the colored brethren, negroes, mulattoes, etc., and the Lodges established by them, and requested the German Grand Lodges, in the protocol of the 6th of May, 1858, to give their views relative to the recognition of the colored Lodges, and the admittance of the colored brethren in the German Lodges, most of the German Grand Lodges have declared :

"That they recognize every just and perfect (legal) Masonic Lodge ; they also recognize all members of the same, without distinction of color, and permit their visits ; that they also do not hesitate to initiate colored persons, if they find them qualified according to their statutes and regulations.

"When now the Grand Lodge of Hamburg in her protocol of the 4th of November, 1859, reminds us that the Grand Lodge of Saxony has not yet given her opinion ; and as the Grand Lodge of New York on her side asks our declaration on the subject, the College of Officers of the National Grand Lodge of Saxony, after due deliberation, have come to the same conclusion as has been expressed by the other German Grand Lodges, adding, however, at the same time, the remark which has been also made by the Grand Lodge of Hanover, *that she does not recognize the American and African colored brethren, and their Lodges as regularly and lawfully constituted.*

"The beloved sister Grand Lodge at Hamburg will find this view and resolution the more natural, as she has been unable, up to this time, to produce the proof, that there are in the United States or in Liberia, colored Lodges which have been regularly and lawfully constituted ; but the contrary has been plainly proven in the well-founded *expose* as contained in the circular letter of the Grand Lodge of New York, and which will be found in the Protocol No. 53, of the Grand Lodge of Saxony (page 11-16) ; and, lastly, as the present Master of the Hamburg Daughter Lodge, Pythagoras, No. 1, in Brooklyn, near New York, in No. 29 of the year 1855, of the *Freemason's Gazette* (Leipzig, month of July), in a communication, acknowledges '*that there are no just and regular Lodges of colored men in the United States of North America,*' and as that Lodge, in the *Triangle*, No. 19, 25th of October, 1859, expressly declares, '*that in regard to the existing circumstances, she does not initiate negroes, nor mulattoes, and that she only admits, as visitors, such colored brethren as belong to just and regular Lodges.*'

"After a full discussion of the subject, the representatives present in Grand Lodge voted in favor of the proposition presented by the College of Grand Officers, with the exception of two, who desired to take instruction of their constituents, and thereupon the proposition was declared to be the *resolution of the Grand Lodge.*"

Your committee do not deem it necessary to express any opinion on the conduct of the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, further than to reproduce the following resolutions of our own Grand Lodge, now in full force and effect:

"Resolved, That in the estimation of this Grand Lodge, the act of the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, in chartering Pythagoras Lodge, within the jurisdiction of the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of the State of

New York, is an unauthorized and unjustifiable violation of the territorial jurisdiction of the said Grand Lodge, and of the laws and policy of the Grand Lodges of the United States. That we hereby make our solemn protest against it, and all similar usurpations, and call upon the Grand Lodge of Hamburg to revoke said charter, and abstain from all similar proceedings in future.

*“Resolved, That this Grand Lodge enter its solemn protest against the doctrine announced by the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, in its letter to the Grand Lodge of New York, in these terms: ‘for, indeed, it should not be overlooked, that our German brethren in America, if ever we were to choose, would, of course, stand nearer to our Grand Lodge, and probably to all others in Germany, than natives of another country,’ as a direct violation of that great and fundamental principle of the Order, which recognizes no distinction of country or language; and in its connection and application to the subject of that letter, subversive of all discipline and peaceful government in Freemasonry.*

*“Resolved, That this Grand Lodge will herself oppose, and hereby invites her sister Grand Lodges of the United States, to oppose any interference with Masonry in the United States, by any foreign Masonic Body or authority whatever.*

*“Resolved, That all Masonic intercourse between Masons of this jurisdiction and the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, and Masons connected with it, be suspended until that Grand Lodge shall cease to interfere with the jurisdiction of other Grand Lodges.*

*“Resolved, That all Grand Lodges in correspondence with this Grand Lodge be earnestly requested to adopt a similar course, and aid in sustaining their inherent right.”*

## NORTH CAROLINA.

This Grand Lodge assembled at Raleigh, December 5th, 1859.

The address of the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Alfred Martin, is mainly devoted to the advocacy of the claims of St. John's College to the support of the Grand Lodge. We perceive that the Grand Master, Grand Secretary, and Grand Treasurer were authorized to provide \$3,000 for this college.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence is by Bro. P. W. Fanning, and reviews the proceedings of our Grand Lodge for 1858.

## OHIO.

The Annual Communication was held at Columbus, October, 1860, one hundred and seventy-five Lodges being represented.

Grand Master Horace M. Stokes makes mention of having appointed Bro. Willis P. Coleman “to bear greetings of fraternal regard from the Craft of Ohio to those of Louisiana.”

The following revised rule was unanimously adopted :

“**RULE XII.** No Lodge shall initiate into the mysteries of the Craft, any person whomsoever, without being first satisfied, by a test or otherwise, that the candidate has not made application to some other Lodge and been rejected; and if it shall appear that he has been rejected, then the Lodge shall not initiate such person without the unanimous consent of the rejecting Lodge.”

An allowance, over and above the salary of the Grand Secretary, of two hundred dollars, was made, making five hundred in all allowed to that officer. A very moderate compensation, truly, considering that there are two hundred and eighty-eight Lodges working under this jurisdiction, and the amount of labor exhibited in the tables attached to the proceedings.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is divided under different heads, well written, but quite brief. Under the head “**MASONRY A PEACE-MAKER,**” they say :

“If our beloved country should, through any of the agitating subjects which from time to time are introduced into it, be threatened with disruption, we feel that, in the broad, general, sincere, and profound principles of our institution, a conservative power would be exercised, whose influence for good would exceed that of any other in the nation. The appeal to our bond of union would be more potent than any appeal to arms; and the Brethren of our fraternity, both North and South, would seek in its ample and delightful provisions, a remedy for every evil.”

## PENNSYLVANIA.

We have the several quarterly proceedings of this Grand Lodge, for the year 1859. The legislation appears to be principally connected with the subject of finances, and the management of the Grand Lodge Hall. The Grand Master, in his address, reminds the Brethren of their duty as Masons, in view of the disturbed state of public affairs. He says :

“The lesson taught within the Lodge should be practiced out of it; the harmony, the concord there existing, can and should be made to exist in every department of life; the concessions made, the relinquishments of opinions, and the cheerful acquiescence in every result, are but the contributions which each member of society is expected to place upon its altar. Masonry is everywhere conservative.”

He calls upon the Masons of Pennsylvania, as selected men, to pay implicit obedience to the laws of the Constitution and laws of the United States, and do all in their power, by precept and example, to induce a like obedience in others.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence acknowledge the receipt of various Grand Lodge proceedings—ours, of 1858, among the number—but do not yield their consent “to the necessity, for so much elaboration of detail, or the benefits which may practically result from the general character of the Annual Reports of Committees, or the utility to be experienced from them.”

## RHODE ISLAND.

We have the proceedings of this Grand Lodge for the year ending June 25th, 1860.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is from the pen of the present Grand Secretary, Thomas A. Doyle, and is a careful review of the proceedings of thirty-three Grand Lodges. Those of Louisiana had not been received, owing doubtless to the neglect of some of Uncle Sam's subordinates.

We extract the following as a matter of information to our brethren:

“One other subject, though of little consequence in this old-fashioned jurisdiction, that of non-affiliated Masons, your committee deem it proper to allude to, as at the present time they are receiving more attention than any other single matter in Masonry. The great questions are: What shall be done with them? How shall they be punished? How got rid of?”

“As answers to these questions, your committee propose to state how Rhode Island treats them. *First*—That antiquated idea is still adhered to, ‘that once a Mason, always a Mason.’ A candidate is charged not less than twenty-four dollars for his degrees, and as much more as the Lodges may choose. Of this sum four dollars is paid to the Grand Treasurer for the support of the Grand Lodge, the balance defrays the expenses of the Lodge. There are no dues, no taxes of any kind. The member attends the Lodge or not, at his pleasure. He is left to his own free will; he was not compelled to receive the degrees; he came of his own free will and accord. So also he is not compelled to attend another meeting if he does not choose. If the Lodge does not afford attractions sufficiently strong to make him desire to be present at its meetings, he may stay away; and though years may elapse, so many, that the active members of the Lodge can only vouch for him as a Mason by the records in their archives that he was there made such; if, when death comes, he, before, or his family afterwards, request Masonic burial, the service is performed; and, perhaps at the grave, some aged brother may say of the deceased, ‘I knew him forty years ago, when he was quite an active Mason;’ for, in Rhode Island, many a man may be found who has been a Mason more than that length of time, and some for more than sixty years. They still remain as memorials of the past, not burdened by dues

not compelled to attend a Lodge against their will, in order to secure a Masonic burial, or charity for their widows and orphans."

This legislation may do very well in Rhode Island, and doubtless does, but we think the plan of permitting Lodges to create life members after ten years' active service a better one; but little respect would be entertained here towards one who had never entered a Masonic Lodge after receiving his degrees, or who had never contributed to its support.

### SOUTH CAROLINA.

We have the proceedings of the Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge, held in November, 1859.

Grand Master Henry Buist, in his address, mentions having assembled an Occasional Lodge, and made a Mason at sight of Col. Charles Augustus May, a distinguished Officer of the Army of the United States. The funds accruing from this initiation were bestowed upon the widow of a Master Mason in destitute circumstances.

The Grand Secretary presented a very able and instructive report upon the doings of Foreign Grand Lodges, and presents his views upon many matters of Masonic jurisprudence, in his usual lucid style. He concurs with the novel opinion advanced by the Grand Master of Arkansas, as follows :

"I agree, therefore, with Brother Barber, in holding, that no matter whether the disqualification be personal, moral, or political, if it be of such a nature as to render the initiation of the candidate inexpedient, any member is entitled, with these views, to vote for his rejection."

### TENNESSEE.

This Grand Lodge held its last Annual Communication at Nashville, in October, 1860. It was

"*Resolved*, That it is the duty of Subordinate Lodges to have read all the proceedings of this Grand Lodge, except that part relating to Correspondence."

The proceedings proper only occupy a space of twenty-four pages, whilst the able report of Brother Fuller, on Correspondence, fills one hundred and thirty closely printed pages—to us much the most interesting part, and well worthy of perusal. We perceive that the Grand Lodge appropriated the sum of three hundred dollars for his services as chairman of this committee.



In arguing the propriety of suspension for non-payment of dues, Bro. Fuller gives his views as follows :

"We venture the assertion, that in not one act of a thousand expulsions for non-payment of dues, is the delinquent too poor to pay his dues. On the other hand, it is because they will not pay, notwithstanding their ability to do so, that they are punished for their delinquency. Cases of this kind frequently occur, and simply dismissing them from membership, is only offering them a reward for the non-fulfilment of a most sacred obligation. If a brother desires to be relieved from the payment of dues, let him take the proper steps to sever his connection with the Lodge and depart in peace. Poverty is no evidence of crime, and if we knew of a single case of expulsion or suspension, even for non-payment of dues, where the individual was too poor to discharge the duty required by the By-Laws, we would most heartily join our brother in his indignant cry of "*Shame on such Masons.*" But the largest majority of cases originate, not so much in the inability of the brother to pay the small sum annually required by the By-Laws of his Lodge, as it does in a spirit of procrastination—a sort of putting off to a "more convenient season" the performance of a duty he has solemnly promised to perform. In many cases, however, the delinquent is not the only one to whom blame should attach. Secretaries of Lodges are too frequently neglectful of their duty in promptly notifying members of their arrearages. Show us an efficient officer in this respect, with a prompt response on the part of members, and, our word for it, a prosperous Lodge will be the result, notwithstanding its annual return to the Grand Lodge may not show a single degree conferred during the year. Such a Lodge will possess all the elements of success within itself, harmony will prevail, and every brother will feel a just pride in having his name enrolled upon its register."

Brother Fuller quotes largely from the proceedings of our Grand Lodge, and pays a just tribute to the able report presented by Brother Fellows at our last session.

Bro. Fuller objects to one of the decisions of the Grand Master at the last Communication of this Grand Lodge, as follows:

"The general principles announced in the two last above quoted, are correct; but we cannot agree that it is necessary for an objecting brother to give his reasons therefor, the sufficiency of which is to be judged by the Lodge. The privilege of *objecting* to initiation or advancement, is held next to the actual ballot in sacredness. If unanimity is to be obtained, no impediment of a technical nature should be interposed in the manner of expression."

In all this we agree with Brother Fuller; but the decision of our Grand Master was intended to apply to visiting brothers making objections—a position in which Brother Fuller himself concurs, on page 460.

An Annual Address, by the Rev. Thomas Taylor, is published with the proceedings.

We regret that this Grand Lodge does not publish a list of the members of the Lodges in her jurisdiction.

### TEXAS.

This Grand Lodge held its twenty-fourth Annual Grand Communication at LaGrange, in June, 1860, there being one hundred and twenty-one Lodges duly represented. The M. W. Grand Master, James F. Taylor, refers to the death of Past Deputy Grand Master, John E. Cravens, in the following terms of eulogy:

"The services of this lamented brother in the cause of Masonry are too well known and appreciated by the members of this Grand Lodge, to require any mention by me. He was an active participant in all our labors, having been for several years a prominent member of this Grand Lodge. His familiar face and benevolent countenance we shall behold no more on earth, and his cordial salutation shall no more greet us; 'he has been gathered to his fathers.' Our records should perpetuate his virtues and his services to Masonry."

We have another excellent report from P. G. Master, A. McNeill, Chairman of Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

The doings of this Grand Lodge are favorably noticed. Referring to the death of Past Grand Master, Amos Adams, Bro. McNeill writes:

"It was our good fortune to have had the friendship and acquaintance of Bro. Adams for several years, and we can truly say that Masonry in Louisiana has met with a loss not easily overcome."

The brother calls upon all Grand Secretaries to present full statistical reports of their respective Grand Lodges, "and not to let Bros. Abells and Reynolds always take the prize."

We also extract the following:

\* \* \* \* \* "We turn to a subject of more pleasure, and wherein we can see practical Masonry, being the report of Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1, New Orleans; as it is not now an experiment, but a fixed reality, it requires no further notice or laudation at our hands.

"Texas never has been in days gone by, nor will she ever be, a laggard in noble deeds; and whenever calls are made upon the charity of the Order, by one hailing from Louisiana, and reported worthy on our rolls, no fears need be entertained, but a response will be heard from us, as soon as action can be had in the case; and we can proudly point to the record that on the books of 'Louisiana

Relief,' we are now on the credit side, as follows: Relief granted to applicants from Texas, \$490 86; by donation from Grand Lodge of Texas, \$521 00. \* \* \* All we desire is to have reports from you, and we will respond. Examine our Lodge rolls. Still, rather than a needy brother or his family should suffer, or require a last resting place, for what might seem a want of form in any of our reports, let your charity be extended, and charge to Texas. We have a sacred deposit in Panama, California, and in the great Pacific Isles, and interest may be paid us back some day; till then, go on, and your reward is sure."

### VERMONT.

We have the proceedings of the Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge, held at Burlington, in January, 1860.

M. W. Bro. Philip C. Tucker presided. In his address, the Grand Master claims to be in possession of the "Preston" lectures in full, as well as Webb's abridgement of them, being "copies in key."

The report on Foreign Correspondence is well and carefully written, reviewing the proceedings of thirty-seven Grand Lodges, our own included.

### VIRGINIA.

We have the proceedings of the Grand Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, held at Richmond, in December, 1859. The M. W. Grand Master, Powhatan B. Starke, delivered a very brief address, simply referring to matters of local interest.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence is also brief, with short notices of other Grand Lodges; presenting only such portions of their proceedings as they deemed of importance to the Craft generally, carefully "abstaining from discussing subjects which more properly belong to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence."

The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence reported upon a complaint made to that Grand Body by the Grand Master of Louisiana; and as the position assumed is a new one to your committee, and, as we believe, unwarranted by Masonic law or usage, we present it entire. The report is as follows:

"Your committee have maturely considered the communication of the M. W. Grand Master of Masons in the State of Louisiana, herein before referred to; and whilst they highly appreciate and reciprocate its kind and fraternal feeling, and assure the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana of their high consideration, and that this Grand Lodge would be one of the last to infringe upon the rights and jurisdiction of a sister Grand Lodge; yet they can find nothing in the Con-

stitution of Masonry, or in their Methodical Digest, which prohibits one of the Subordinate Lodges, under their jurisdiction, from such action as was taken in the case of Bro. Philip J. Sleet. As your committee have been informed by the representative of Independent Orange Lodge, No. 138, that Bro. Sleet was born and raised within their jurisdiction; was well known to most of their members, both before and after his removal to Louisiana; had returned to the place of his nativity permanently to reside, married and had children, and had at the time no intention ever to return to the State of Louisiana to live. The said Lodge were not aware, with all the lights before them, that by Passing and Raising Bro. P. J. Sleet, they were in any way interfering with the jurisdiction or rights of the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana or any of its Subordinate Lodges; and will ever regret that their action should be regarded either as wanting in respect to a sister Lodge, or as interfering with another jurisdiction, and earnestly deprecate the idea that any punishment should be awarded to Bro. Sleet, because of their act."

They then, in a resolution, instructed the M. W. Grand Master to send an answer to the M. W. Grand Master of Masons in Louisiana, embodying the substance of the foregoing report.

The complaint referred to was as follows: That Independent Orange Lodge, No. 138, had conferred upon Bro. P. J. Sleet, an Entered Apprentice of George Washington Lodge, No. 65, in this State, the degrees of Fellow Craft and Master Mason, without the consent or knowledge of said Lodge: That such action was contrary to the statute law of this Grand Lodge and to Masonic custom and usage; and the Grand Master of Virginia was requested to point out to Independent Orange Lodge the error they had committed in thus violating one of the fundamental principles of the fraternity.

The position taken—that because Bro. P. J. Sleet had, after his initiation in George Washington Lodge, again become a resident of Virginia, it was not necessary to apply to that Lodge for permission to confer upon him the two other degrees of Masonry—can hardly be sustained by reference to any respectable Masonic authority outside of Virginia. What the "Methodical Text-Book of Virginia" may contain on this subject, we have no means of learning; but if it allows such interference with the work of other Lodges, it is in direct conflict with the best Masonic authorities; and we think that our brethren of Virginia will recede from the position they have taken on this point, after more carefully investigating the subject, and examining the opinions of eminent Masonic writers who have given this matter their consideration.

We refer our Brethren of Virginia to the Sixteenth Landmark, which reads :

"No LODGE CAN INTERFERE IN THE BUSINESS OF ANOTHER LODGE, nor give degrees to brethren who are members of other Lodges."

This is a very plain law, and Bro. Mackey thus refers to it :

"This is undoubtedly an ancient Landmark, founded on the great principles of courtesy and fraternal kindness, which are the very foundations of our institutions. It has been repeatedly recognized by subsequent statutory enactments of all Grand Lodges."

The prohibition is also plainly stated in the Ancient Charges, and in one of the Charges of the Lodge of Antiquity.

Our brethren of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence will find, by reference to that excellent compilation of Masonic laws, Chase's Digest, on pages 190, 191, 192 and 193, the decisions and laws of many Grand Lodges, and the opinions of several Masonic writers, all adverse to the doctrine stated by our brethren of Virginia.

We concur in the opinion, that Bro. P. J. Sleet ought not to be punished for the act of Independent Orange Lodge; for, however censurable the Lodge might have been in conferring the degrees upon this brother, it was not his fault; and having been regularly Passed and Raised to the degree of Master Mason, he is fully entitled to be received and acknowledged as such. But it would have been more in accordance with the spirit of our Institution, if Bro. Sleet had written to the Lodge in which he was Initiated, stating that having removed out of her jurisdiction, he was desirous to receive the other degrees in Virginia. Had he done so, George Washington Lodge would, no doubt, have cheerfully recommended him to Independent Orange Lodge, or any other Lodge, in which he might have desired to receive them. The Ancient Landmarks were framed for the purpose of preserving and promoting the harmony of the Craft, and whenever lost sight of, or evaded, deplorable results will inevitably follow. The sacred injunction, "Thou shalt not remove thy neighbor's landmark, which they of old time have set in thine inheritance," cannot be too strictly adhered to.

## TERRITORY OF WASHINGTON.

We have the proceedings of the Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge, held at Olympia, in September last. Grand Master

James Biles delivered a short address, in which he called the attention of the brethren of that Grand Lodge to the evils of intemperance, "the corner-stone of every vice."

The report on Foreign Correspondence is from the pen of Bro. Selucius Sarfielde, who reviews the proceedings of thirty Grand Lodges, ours not included.

We are surprised that this intelligent committee should appear to have any doubt upon the *status* of "negro Lodges in the United States." They say, that "The negro Lodges in the United States *may* all be clandestine, and will probably be so considered upon Bro. Morris's statement, until the contrary is demonstrated."

In view of the fact that all such organizations are held without any Grand Lodge warrant, and are not recognized by any Grand Lodge of Masons in the United States, or by any Grand Body of Masons in fraternal intercourse with them, in the world, it seems strange to us that there should be the slightest doubt of their illegal existence.

### MEXICO.

We have received a communication from Bro. Charles Laffon de Ladébat, by which it appears that during his visit to Vera Cruz, in December last, he was called upon, as a regular Sovereign Grand Inspector General, 33d and last degree of the Ancient-Accepted Scottish Rite, and a member of the Supreme Council at Charleston, S. C., to dissolve a spurious Masonic organization established at Vera Cruz by virtue of the self-constituted authority of one JAMES FOULHOUSE; and to substitute for it a legitimate Supreme Council, having jurisdiction over all the degrees of the Scottish Rite up to the 33d and last inclusive.

After ascertaining that *there was no Masonic authority whatever* in the Republic of Mexico, Bro. Laffon dissolved the so called "*Foulhouse*" organization, and created, on the 21st of December, 1860, a regular Supreme Council.

This body has issued a circular to all the Masonic powers of the world, printed in the Spanish, French and English languages, which gives a very clear and satisfactory historical sketch of the filiations of the powers of the Scottish Rite, a point that has been the cause of much trouble, especially in this State. We recommend to all who take an interest in the history of Masonry, to peruse this circular,

which we herewith append, inasmuch as it gives the reasons which impelled the members of the spurious organization at Vera Cruz to dissolve it, and to become regular Masons.

By virtue of resolutions annexed to this circular, Bro. Laffon, who is President of the Supreme Council at Vera Cruz, offers to this Grand Lodge an exchange of fraternal relations, and has appointed as Representative of the Supreme Council for Mexico near this Grand Lodge, Bro. J. C. BATCHELOR, a selection which, we think, will meet with the universal approbation of the members of our Grand Lodge.

The President asks of this Grand Lodge to appoint a Representative near the said Supreme Council, and submits the names of three of its members—Brothers E. Zenteno, N. Pizarro, and General F. Zéréga for your selection.

Everything in the acts of Bro. Laffon, in this connection, seems to us to be in perfect harmony with the laws and usages of Masonry as authorized by the Scottish Rite; and we do not hesitate to recommend the recognition of the "*Supreme Council for the Mexican Republic*" as the only legal Masonic authority in that country; the reception of Bro. J. C. BATCHELOR as its Representative, near this Grand Lodge, and the appointment of Bro. GEN. F. ZEREGA, as the Representative of this Grand Lodge, near said Supreme Council.

We have also received a communication from Bro. Laffon, stating that he had, according to a previously expressed intention, after the organization of the Supreme Council for the Mexican Republic, sent in his resignation as President of said Supreme Council, and transferred, on the 8th of February, 1861, his powers and authority to Bro. MANUEL DE LA CONCORDIA, unanimously selected by the members of that Body, and requests that this Grand Lodge should recognize said Bro. MANUEL DE LA CONCORDIA, as the Grand Commander of the Supreme Council for the Mexican Republic.

#### "CIRCULAR

OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL FOR THE MEXICAN REPUBLIC,\* ESTABLISHED IN THE  
HEROIC CITY OF VERA CRUZ, ON THE 21ST OF DECEMBER, 1860, V. E. E.

"From the Grand Orient of the Supreme Council of the Most Puissant Sovereign Grand Inspectors General of the 33d and last Degree of the Ancient-Accepted Scottish Rite for the Mexican Republic, sitting in the heroic city of

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\* Since its creation, this Body has, for good and important reasons, changed its name and title to that of "*Supreme Council for Mexico and Central America*," and now exercises exclusive jurisdiction over that section of country.

Vera Cruz, under the Celestial Canopy of Heaven, near the B. B. and the vertical point of the zenith corresponding to 19° 12' north latitude and to 98° 29' west longitude, meridian of Paris,

"To all our Illustrious, Most Valiant and Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret, Knights Kadosh, Grand Ineffable and Sublime Masons of all Degrees, Ancient and Modern, of Freemasonry, over the surface of the two Hemispheres,

"And to all to whom these presents shall come:

"HEALTH, STABILITY AND POWER.

"Extract from the Records of the sitting held on the 8th day of Tebet, A. M. 5621, corresponding to the 21st day of December, 1860, V. E.

"On motion, duly seconded, the M. P. Sov. G. Commander appoints a committee composed of Ill. Bros. Esteban Zenteno, Nicolas Pizarro, and Francisco Zéréga, with mission to submit, at the next sitting, a report upon the reasons which have rendered necessary the dissolution of the spurious body established in Mexico by virtue of the self-styled authority of *Mr. James Foulhouze*, and the creation of a regular Supreme Council of the Ancient-Accepted Scottish Rite for the Mexican Republic; also upon the propriety of addressing a circular to the several Masonic Powers of the world, notifying to them the legal existence of this Ill. Body and its right to be admitted among the regular Supreme Councils of the two Hemispheres. The committee are also authorized to submit such other measures as they may deem proper in the interest of this Supreme Council.

A true copy,

N. PIZARRO, 33d,

Ill. Sec. G. H. E.

"Extract from the Records of the 9th day of Tebet, A. M. 5621—corresponding to December 22d, 1860, V. E.

"REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

"M. P. Sov. G. Commander, M. Ill. Brethren:

"The committee whom your Ill. Body intrusted with the mission of submitting a report upon the reasons which have rendered necessary the dissolution of the spurious body established in Mexico by virtue of the self-styled authority of *Mr. James Foulhouze*, and the creation of a regular Supreme Council of the Ancient-Accepted Scottish Rite for the Mexican Republic, and upon other matters, are now ready to lay before you the result of the labor which you thought proper to confide to their care.

"The history of Scottish Masonry is now too well known to require that we should dwell upon details which every one can read in the numerous works published on that subject, and in the various pamphlets which have recently appeared in New Orleans, but more particularly in the overwhelming 'Dissection' of the allegations of *Mr. James Foulhouze*, the self-styled M. P. S. G. Com. of a so-called 'Sup. Council for the Sovereign and Independent State of Louisiana,' by Ill. Bro. ALBERT PIKE, 33d, M. P. Sov. G. Commander of the Supreme Council sitting at Charleston, in the United States of America.



"Your committee will, therefore, confine themselves to the duty of first submitting to your high appreciation a historical sketch, the accuracy of which can be easily ascertained, while its object is to establish as concisely as possible the filiation of the legitimate powers of the Ancient-Accepted Scottish Rite in 33 Degrees; then they will have the honor to offer such resolutions as they will deem necessary to the complete and final organization of this Supreme Council.

"Until the first of May, 1786, Scottish Masonry was known under the name and title of 'Rite of Perfection,' which was composed of 25 Degrees. The Supreme authority of the Rite was vested in a 'Council of the Emperors of the East and West.' The general regulations of that system are known under the name of the 'Constitutions of 1762,' the year of their promulgation.

"The first of May, 1786, Fredrick II, King of Prussia, to whom several authors give the title of Grand Master of Scottish Masonry, issued, it is said, the 'Grand Constitutions or True Secret Institutes of the Ancient-Accepted Scottish Rite.' Those Constitutions added eight new Degrees to the 25 already known, and thus extended the number of the Scottish Degrees to 33, the last of which is that of Sovereign Grand Inspector General. The supreme authority of the Rite was by those Constitutions intrusted to Sovereign Bodies, called Supreme Councils. The duties, rights and privileges of the Sov. . Grand Insp. . General are clearly defined in those Constitutions.

"Certain persons, at the head of whom we must place *Mr. J. Foulhouze*—since he constituted himself their chief—blinded by vanity and a puerile ambition, have sought to prove that the 33 Degrees and the Supreme Councils of the Ancient-Accepted Scottish Rite existed prior to the year 1786. But all the attempts of those enemies of an Order whose fundamental bases are Harmony and Equity, have ended only in exposing their ignorance or bad faith; for, there exists no document, either authentic or even apocryphal, prior to 1786, mentioning the 33 Degrees and the Supreme Councils of the Ancient-Accepted Scottish Rite, such as we have received them from the Constitutions of 1786. The Grand Orient of France itself, which, during so many years, denied the incontrovertible rights of the Supreme Council of France, founded by virtue of those same Constitutions, recognizes these as the fundamental Law of the Ancient-Accepted Scottish Rite, as appears fully in the Decree by which it expelled *Mr. J. Foulhouze* on the 4th of February, 1859.

"Whence it follows that no one can be a Sovereign Grand Inspector General, nor can any Supreme Council of the Ancient-Accepted Scottish Rite, in 33 Degrees, exist, unless it be by virtue of the Constitutions of 1786; and that, to claim to be legally invested with the Degree of Sovereign Grand Inspector General and with the right of creating Supreme Councils of the Ancient-Accepted Scottish Rite, and, at the same time, to repudiate the Constitutions of 1786, is equivalent to the act by which one would claim a legal right to an estate by inheritance, while denying the right of the testator to dispose of his property—which is evidently the highest pitch of absurdity.

"But this is not all: the same persons proclaim that those Constitutions are

not authentic, that they were not framed by Frederick II, that they are a forgery, etc. Granted! But how is it, then, may we say to them, that you claim rights and privileges which can exist only by virtue of those Constitutions?

“As for us, we believe that it is quite unimportant to know who framed the Constitutions of 1786. Frederick II had no right to make laws for all the Masons of the globe. We obey the Constitutions of 1786, not because they were framed by such or such a person, but solely because, when we were initiated, we accepted them as the fundamental Law of the Ancient-Accepted Scottish Rite in 33 Degrees, and we accepted them because we wish to possess the rank of Sov. . G. . I. . Gen. . and the right to establish a Supreme Council in Mexico. At any rate, if these Constitutions, which alone guarantee to us the legal possession of that rank and of that right, were not authentic at the time of their promulgation under the name of Frederick II, they have been made such by prescription, by the *unanimous* will and sanction of all the legitimate Scottish Bodies. Our duty is to follow the example of our predecessors, if we desire our Supreme Council to be admitted by them on the footing of equality, and especially, if, setting aside all ridiculous cavil about words and precedence, we wish to be consistent with ourselves and remain faithful to the sacred object of our Order.

“The Masonic annals say nothing about the existence of the Supreme Councils which may have been created between the first of May, 1786, the time at which the Grand Constitutions were promulgated by Frederick II, or some other person, and the 31st of May, 1801, at which time was created and finally organized the Supreme Council at Charleston, in the United States of America.

“The Ill. . Bro. . Geo. Oliver, 33d, whose authority has been most awkwardly advocated by the persons we have above alluded to, says, in an autograph now before us: ‘It is to be suspected that the Council of 33d had ceased its functions in Prussia’—where Frederick II must naturally have established the first Supreme Council—and that the *only* regular Council then (1802) existing in the world, was at Charleston.’

“It is therefore undeniable that the first Supreme Council standing upon the records of Masonic history, is that created at Charleston, on the 31st May, 1801, by Ill. . Bros. . John Mitchell, Frederick Dalcho and others; and it is no less undeniable, that all the regular Supreme Councils of the world, without any exception whatever, have been created, directly or indirectly, by virtue of powers emanating from the Supreme Council at Charleston. It can be easily proven by authentic documents, that this mother of all Supreme Councils has never ceased her functions since the day of her creation up to the present time. Mr. J. Foulhouse himself, who dared to deny both the existence and the supremacy of the Supreme Council at Charleston, while he heaped upon her insults which fall back with all their weight upon their author—Mr. J. Foulhouse himself did once recognize both the existence and supremacy of that Ill. . Body, when, on the 20th of March, 1847, he addressed to Bro. . J. A. Durocher, a member of the Grand Orient of France, a letter, the duplicate of which, written and signed by himself, is now in our possession, and in which we read the following lines: ‘We have

every reason to believe that the *Supreme Council at Charleston* will very soon enter into correspondence both with the Grand Orient and with OURSELVES. Such an event, *we must confess*, will be fruitful of the *happiest results*, as it would increase our strength and our influence.'

"But to continue.

"On the 21st of February, 1802, the Supreme Council at Charleston conferred the 33d Degree upon the Ill. Bro. Alexandre François Auguste de Grasse-Tilly, as is fully stated in his patent signed by Ill. Bros. John Mitchell, Frederick Dalcho, and others. Ill. Bro. de Grasse-Tilly, by virtue of the powers vested in him, created a Supreme Council, known as the Supreme Council of America for the French possessions in America, and the seat of which was at the Cape, in the Island of St. Domingo. The Archives of the Grand Consistory at New Orleans contain authentic documents signed *manu propria* by Ill. Bro. Antoine Bideaud, 33d, a member of the Supreme Council of America: said MSS. prove that that Supreme Council really existed, and ceased its labors only in consequence of the troubles which prevailed in St. Domingo. Ill. Bro. de Grasse-Tilly was compelled by those troubles to take a refuge in France with the other members of the Supreme Council of America, of which Supreme Council he was the M. P. S. G. Commander. On the 22d of September, 1804, he established, at Paris, the Supreme Council of France, the same that is now in existence.

"At that time, Masonry in France was governed by the Grand Orient of France, which had superseded the old Grand Lodge of France. Said Grand Lodge, created in 1724\* under the auspices of the Grand Lodge of England, acknowledged the first three symbolic Degrees only. The Grand Orient, at the beginning of 1786, had adopted a new Rite, known as the French or Modern Rite, and composed of the first three symbolic Degrees and of four others selected from the 25 Degrees of the Rite of Perfection. It appears that the Grand Orient of France, after absorbing the Council of the Emperors of the East and West, which was, as already stated, the supreme authority of the Rite of Perfection, had allowed the Degrees intrusted to her care to fall into disuse, in order to confine herself exclusively to the practice of the French or Modern Rite.

"The Grand Orient of France soon perceived that, in the Supreme Council founded by Ill. Bro. de Grasse-Tilly, stood a rival which was the more dangerous because, at the very time it was ascending the Masonic horizon, it attracted to itself the loftiest intellects and the most eminent persons of the French Empire. The Grand Orient consequently hastened to conclude with the Supreme Council of France a Concordat, which was signed by both powers on the 5th of December, 1804. Twenty-four days after, on the 29th of December, forty officers of the Grand Orient of France *gratefully accepted* and received from Ill. Bro. de Grasse-Tilly the Degree of Rose-Croix; some were admitted to the 29th and 32d Degrees; others were raised to the 33d Degree, all took the oath of allegiance to the Supreme Council of France.

"However, the Grand Orient of France having refused to put in operation the

\* This is an error: Masonry was introduced in France in 1725. See Acta Latom. vol. 1, p. 21.

new General Constitution of the Order, which had been decreed and accepted on both sides, on the 5th of December, 1804, the Supreme Council of France seceded from the Grand Orient, with which it had united itself by the Concordat. But, on the 16th of September, 1805, it was agreed that the Supreme Council should have an existence independent of and separate from the Grand Orient, to which it gave the administration of the first 18 Degrees of the Ancient-Accepted Scottish Rite, reserving *exclusively* to itself that of the higher Degrees—an evident proof that, prior to 1814, the Grand Orient of France never possessed the necessary authority to establish Supreme Councils of the 33d Degree. In 1814, the French Empire fell, and the Supreme Council, which had had all its sympathies, was forcibly deprived of most of its members, who belonged to the defeated party.

“After the fall of the Empire, the Grand Orient of France dismissed its Grand Master, Joseph Napoleon; and, after the hundred days, in 1815, it attempted to oust the Supreme Council of France, which had maintained its M. P. S. G. Commander, the Ill. Bro. Prince Cambacérès, then in exile. With the aid and assistance of *one single member\* of the Supreme Council of France*—which, mark! had been founded by Ill. Bro. de Grasse-Tilly, the delegate of Charleston—the Grand Orient of France created a Supreme Council in its bosom, notwithstanding the proclamation of the Supreme Council of France, issued and published on the 18th of August, 1815.

“We are compelled, in consequence of the foregoing statement, to conclude that the creation of a Supreme Council in the bosom of the Grand Orient, was, in the origin, an illegality—an illegality the more to be regretted, because it emanated from a Sovereign Body whose duty it was to defend the cause of right and justice; for, he who violates the law which he has *sworn to obey*, when, by his position and standing, he is held to set the example everywhere, in and for all things, establishes a dangerous precedent, to the consequences of which he very soon becomes the first victim. No doubt, indeed, that *Mr. J. Foulhouse* must have thought himself fully authorized to create a Supreme Council on his own account, and to give as his reason for doing so the example with which the Grand Orient of France had furnished him. What has been the result? That the Grand Orient of France, in order to condemn and to expel *Mr. J. Foulhouse*, has been compelled to invoke the Constitutions of 1786, which it had itself violated.

“However, the illegal act of the Grand Orient of France has been legalized by the compromise to which the Supreme Council of France at last gave its sanction on the 6th of November, 1841. This compromise ended the war which afflicted French Masonry. We are happy to state the fact, and, as our first duty is to respect the rights of others to be governed as best suits them, a right that we claim for ourselves, we recognize the Supreme Council of the Grand Orient of France as one of the legitimate bodies with which we would cheerfully fraternize.

“After pointing out the errors of the Grand Orient of France, our duty requires that we should mention briefly those committed by the Supreme Council of France also. They are so extraordinary that we ask ourselves how so respectable and

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\* Ill. Bro. GERMAIN HAQUET.

so learned a body could one single moment have countenanced them. We mean the Treaty of Alliance which it signed, on the 23d of February, 1834, with an irregular and clandestine body established at New York by one Joseph Cerneau, and then presided over by Mr. Elias Hicks, which body assumed, in the said Treaty, the title of "The United Supreme Council for the Western Hemisphere." The recognition of that schismatic authority was a direct attack against the imprescriptible rights of the Supreme Council at Charleston, and, consequently, against the rights of the Supreme Council of France itself. The authors of that act thought they would escape the necessary consequences arising therefrom by proclaiming—pages 19 of the Treaty, edition of 1836, Paris—that the Supreme Council of France was created in 1762—which is evidently contrary to historical truth, to the declarations made by that Ill. Body itself on several occasions, and more particularly, to the report of Ill. Bro. Count Murairé, under date of January 30th, 1813, which report was adopted by the Supreme Council of France. However, that Ill. Body itself waived that date, when, in 1838, it published the list of its Members and Grand Commanders, *from its primitive foundation in 1786*, it says, to 1838. This second date is no less extraordinary than the first one and it is just as easy to confute it. But as they mutually exclude each other, we will simply say that we can admit of neither, and that we adopt that which history assigns for its creation, which will not in the least impair our respect for that first-born of the offspring of Charleston.

"It will be understood that we insist upon these details only because we did not know them at a time when, placing too much confidence in the assertions of Mr. J. Foulhouze, we consented to allow him to create a Supreme Council in Mexico, which body the above enquiry has compelled us to dissolve as spurious. The Supreme Council which we now substitute for it and of which we have the honor to be members, rests on a basis that cannot be attacked, for it is founded by Ill. Bro. Charles Laffon de Ladébat, 33rd, an active member of the Supreme Council at Charleston, by virtue of the Constitutions of 1786, in a country where no Masonic authority existed.

"One last word about Mr. J. Foulhouze. In the much to be regretted pamphlet which he published in New Orleans, in November, 1858, he asks, p. 159, from whom did the Ill. Bros. John Mitchell and Frederick Dalcho receive their powers? Well, as for us, we will answer him that we do not know, that we care very little about it, and we will add that if, in putting that question, he intends to insinuate that Ill. Bros. J. Mitchell and F. Dalcho acted under no other authority than that which they arrogated to themselves, he virtually confesses that the Supreme Council of the Grand Orient of France which gave him the 33d Degree on the 27th of September, 1845, had no other authority than that which it had itself received from the same Ill. Bros. John Mitchell and F. Dalcho, the founders of the Supreme Council at Charleston; for, we have demonstrated, history in hand, that Ill. Bros. John Mitchell and F. Dalcho conferred the 33d Degree on Ill. Bro. de Grasse-Tilly; that the latter created, in 1804, the Supreme Council of France, and lastly, that one of the members of the same Supreme

Council of France created the Supreme Council of the Grand Orient of France. The unavoidable result is that *Mr. J. Foulhouze* must either admit the authority, whatever it may be, of Ill.<sup>o</sup>. Bros.<sup>o</sup>. J. Mitchell and F. Dalcho, or renounce his rank of Sov.<sup>o</sup>. G.<sup>o</sup>. Insp.<sup>o</sup>. G.<sup>o</sup>. and the right of establishing one or more Supreme Councils; or, which would be far better, let him make amends and pray to be reinstated in his Degree and rights, and let him attempt no longer to deceive the good faith of honest men who, as we now do, will at some future day regret to have been the victims of his sophisms. All his acts, *prior* to February 4th, 1859, are unlawful, because they are a violation of the law—and all he has done *since* that period is null and void, because he has been deprived of his rank by the very Supreme Council which constituted him and which condemned him as a rebel and a perjurer; a perfectly just sentence, inasmuch as *Mr. J. Foulhouze* had not ceased to acknowledge the authority of the Supreme Council of the Grand Orient of France.

“The regular position we now occupy, thanks to the zeal of several eminent members of a neighboring jurisdiction, among whom we are happy to name Ill.<sup>o</sup>. Bro.<sup>o</sup>. Vicente A. de Castro, 33d, honorary member of the Supreme Council at Charleston, our position, do we say, makes it a duty for us to condemn and to denounce to the Masonic World the allegations, the doctrines, and the acts of *Mr. J. Foulhouze*, as being contrary to justice, logic, right and Masonic morality; and we avail ourselves of this opportunity to warn those who, situated as we then were, would be tempted to lend a yielding ear to his deceitful assertions. If it be praiseworthy to acknowledge that we have erred, or at least that we have been led into error, the result is, nevertheless, a wound to our pride as men of judgment who, as Masons ought to be, are bound to adopt a course only after ascertaining that they violate neither right nor justice. We hope that our example will be useful to others.

“And now that we have given the reasons which compelled us to dissolve the spurious bodies established in our country by virtue of the self-styled authority of *Mr. J. Foulhouze*, we are naturally led to set down the reasons which have decided the creation of a regular Supreme Council for the Mexican Republic. Those reasons are three in number.

“The first is the legitimate hope we entertain of the effects of the wholesome influence of Scottish Masonry upon a people who, after wresting from their neck the disgraceful yoke under which superstition, fanaticism, ignorance and the most cruel selfishness have crushed them for more than forty years, rise at last in their dignity and rush forward under the shadow of the glorious LIBERAL colors, in the path of their moral, political and religious regeneration. A complete education is to be made and the code of Scottish Masonry is the only fitting one for free men, who will to know and to understand their DUTIES toward their God and their fellows, before exercising those RIGHTS which they received from their common Parent and from the Law sanctioned by all.

“The second reason is the absence of all Masonic authority in the territory of the Mexican Republic.

"The third is the necessity for us to put a stop to the absurd attempts of individuals who, having been expelled from Masonry, endeavor to set up altar against altar. By putting down here, as has been done in New Orleans, the spurious bodies established by them, and by denouncing those individuals to the Masonic world, as we now do, we hope that they will at last open their eyes and that they will desist from attempts the result of which must be to their shame.

"We have yet, M. P. S. G. Commander and M. Ill. Brethren, to submit to your sanction the following resolutions:

"1st. That the M. P. Sov. G. Commander be requested to forward to the several Masonic powers of the globe, and especially to the Supreme Council at Charleston, which we hold to be the Mother-Council of all the Supreme Councils of the world, and, consequently, of the body we have created in this country, a circular to the end of informing them of our existence and of our right to be admitted among the other Supreme Councils and Masonic powers, and also offering to establish with them an intercourse of friendly relations which we deem necessary to the welfare of the Order.

"2d. That the same circular be addressed to the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana and to all the other Grand Lodges of the United States of America, which we recognize as the only regular authorities, in the said United States, and each of them for the district in which it is located, over the first three symbolic Degrees—and that it be well understood that, as far as the Masons coming from the said United States are concerned, we will admit those only who will be bearers of diplomas emanating from the aforesaid Grand Lodges for the first three symbolic Degrees, and from the Supreme Councils at Charleston and at Boston, or from their subordinates, for the other Degrees, of the Ancient-Accepted Scottish Rite.

"3d. That we cheerfully avail ourselves of this opportunity to do homage to the liberal thought that dictated the Constitution of the 'Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Louisiana' and we do hope that the same thought will eventually prevail in all the other Grand Lodges of the United States.

"4th. That this Supreme Council recognizes all the regular Masonic powers of the world, of no matter what Rite, and that it renounces forever all pretension to exercise any authority whatever in countries outside of its territorial jurisdiction, save in the cases provided by the Constitutions of 1786, and reserving to itself the right of giving its friendly advice when required to do so.

"5th. That the M. P. S. G. Commander be authorized to appoint, in due season, Warrantees of friendship to represent this Supreme Council near the other Masonic powers and to forward to these a list of three of our members from which they may select their own Representatives near our Supreme Council.

"6th. That the M. P. Sov. G. Commander be authorized to heal all Masons of this jurisdiction who may be in the United States and who

may apply to him for that purpose during his stay in the said United States, provided he shall give immediate notice thereof to this Supreme Council.

"7th. That every year this Supreme Council shall issue a bulletin of its transactions to be addressed to all the Masonic Bodies of its correspondence. "

"8th. That the M.: P.: S.: G.: Commander be fully authorized to take such measures as he may deem proper for the welfare of the Order in General and of this Supreme Council in particular.

Very respectfully,

E. ZENTENO, 33d.

N PIZARRO, 33d.

F. ZÉRÉGA, 33d."

"On motion duly seconded, the above report is unanimously adopted in all its parts and is ordered to be printed in Spanish, in French and in English, and forwarded in the shape of a circular to all the Masonic powers of the world, under the seal of this Supreme Council and the signature, *manu propria*, of the M.: P.: S.: G.: Commander.

A true copy,

N. PIZARRO, 33d.

Ill.: Sec.: Gen.: H.: E.:"

Signed *manu propria*,

[L. S.]

CH. LAFFON DE LADÉBAT, 33d,

M.: P.: S.: G.: Commander.

In conclusion, your committee would refer the Masons of this jurisdiction to the statistical tables prepared in the office of our W. Grand Secretary, which have been made with great care, and will afford much valuable information to the brethren.

Respectfully and fraternally,

SAMUEL M. TODD,

*for the Committee.*



# FOREIGN MASONIC BODIES WITH WHICH THE GRAND LODGE OF LOUISIANA IS IN FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE.

NAME.	NAME AND RESIDENCE OF GRAND MASTER.	NAME AND RESIDENCE OF GRAND SECRETARY.
UNITED GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND.....	Rt. Hon. Earl of Zetland.....Freemasons' Hall, London.	Wm. Gray Clarke.....Freemasons' Hall, London, W. C.
GRAND LODGE OF IRELAND.....	His Grace the Duke of Leinster..Freemasons' Hall, Dublin	Hon. George Hancock.....Freemasons' Hall, Dublin.
<b>Provincial Grand Lodges under Ireland:</b>		
North Antrim (Northern Division).....	Andrew Todd Dickey.....	David McKillop.....
North Antrim (Southern Division).....	Andrew Todd Dickey.....	George A. Caruthers.....Belfast.
Belfast and North Down.....	Marquis of Donegal.....Belfast.	George F. Echlin.....
South Down.....	Lieut. Col. William Forde.....	John Price.....Donegal.
Londonderry and Donegal.....	Sir James Stewart, Bart.....	William Penrose.....Cork.
Munster (Cork).....	Major General Sir James C. Chatterton, Bart.....	Edward W. Maunsell.....Limerick.
North Munster (Limerick).....	Michael Furnell.....Limerick.	José Maria R. Grillo.....
Portugal.....	Dr. F. G. da S. Pereira.....	
Victoria (Melbourne).....	John Thomas Smith.....Melbourne.	
New South Wales (Sidney).....	George Thornton.....Sidney.	
New Zealand (Auckland).....	Cormack Patrick O'Rafferty.....Auckland.	
South Australia (Adelaide).....	John Tuthill Bagot.....Adelaide.	
GRAND LODGE OF SCOTLAND.....	His Grace the Duke of Athol.....Edinburgh.	William A. Laurie.....Edinburgh.
GRAND ORIENT OF FRANCE.....	Prince Lucien Murat.....Paris.	E. Rexès.....16 Rue Cadet, Paris.
GRAND ORIENT OF BELGIUM.....		L. Thermin.....Bruxelles.
GRAND ORIENT OF BRAZIL.....		Joaquin de Gouvea.....
GRAND ORIENT HESPERIC OF SPAIN.....		Coriolan.....
GRAND ORIENT OF PASSOS MANUEL, OPORTO.....		
GRAND ROYAL YORK LODGE OF PRUSSIA.....		M. C. Bier.....Berlin.
GRAND LODGE OF THREE GLOBES OF PRUSSIA.....		E. P. C. Evert.....Berlin.
GRAND LODGE OF FRANKFORT ON THE MAINE.....		
NATIONAL GRAND LODGE OF GERMANY.....		D. G. Bush.....Berlin.
GRAND LODGE OF HANOVER.....		
GRAND LODGE OF SAXONY.....		
GRAND LODGE OF THE SUN OF BAVARIA.....		
GRAND LODGE OF HAMBURG*.....		
GRAND LODGE OF DENMARK.....		
GRAND LODGE OF HESSE DARMSTADT.....		
NATIONAL GRAND LODGE OF HOLLAND.....		
NATIONAL GRAND LODGE OF SWEDEN.....		J. Hogenbuch.....
NATIONAL ALPINE LODGE OF SWITZERLAND.....		
PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF BAHIA.....		
GRAND LODGE OF TURKEY.....	G. C. Carrer, LL. D.....Smyrna.	F. Turrell.....Smyrna.
S. COUNCIL FOR MEXICO & CENTRAL AMERICA.....	Manuel de la Concordia.....	N. Pizarro.....Mexico.

\* This Body is not recognized by us, for reasons stated in our Grand Lodge Proceedings of 1852, page 75—1853, p. 63—1854, p. 45—1855, p. 73—1859, Appendix, p. 97.

## TO SUBORDINATE LODGES.

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Having often been written to by officers of Lodges for a CODE OF BY-LAWS, for their use, I would call their special attention to the following CODE, prepared in accordance with the Constitutions and Regulations of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, and recommended for their adoption. This Code, with all parts of the Constitution and General Regulations of the Grand Lodge relating to Constituent Lodges, being printed with the By-Laws, makes them perfect.

Respectfully and fraternally,

SAM'L G. RISK, Grand Secretary.

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### BY-LAWS OF \_\_\_\_\_ LODGE, NO. \_\_\_\_\_.

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#### ARTICLE I.

##### NAME.

This Lodge shall be known and designated as \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge, No. —, of Free and Accepted Masons, working under the authority of the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana.

#### ARTICLE II.

##### MEETINGS.

SECTION 1. The meetings of this Lodge shall be held on \_\_\_\_\_ of each month, commencing at — o'clock.

#### ARTICLE III.

##### MEMBERS.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of each member of this Lodge to sign the By-Laws, and enroll his name in the register of members, stating therein the particular place to which messages and commu-

nications may be sent to him, it being his privilege and duty to change the direction whenever he shall change his residence or place of business.

SEC. 2. Each member shall contribute ——— to the Lodge, and ——— to the Grand Lodge: *Provided*, That for good cause the Lodge may remit the dues of any member.

#### ARTICLE IV.

##### COMMITTEES.

SECTION 1. The Worshipful Master, and Senior and Junior Wardens, as the standing Committee of Relief, shall have authority to draw upon the Treasurer for a sum not exceeding ——— dollars for any one object. They shall report at each regular meeting of the Lodge.

SEC. 2. There shall be appointed, at the first meeting in January of each year, or as soon thereafter as may be, a Committee of Finance, who shall take charge of, and examine the accounts of the Treasurer and Secretary, and all the other fiscal matters of the Lodge, and report at least once in every three months.

#### ARTICLE V.

##### DUTIES OF TREASURER AND SECRETARY..

SECTION 1. The Treasurer shall, at the first regular meetings in ———, report in writing the condition of the treasury at its last report; give a specific statement of all the receipts and disbursements since made, and accompany his report with all the necessary vouchers.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep full and correct minutes of all the transactions of the Lodge, proper to be recorded; to keep suitable books of account, exhibiting the liabilities and assets of the Lodge, and the true account of each member; to keep a full roll or register of its members, and a book into which shall be transcribed exact copies of all its returns to the Grand Lodge; and to affix the seal to the returns to the Grand Lodge, and to all the other attested documents issued by the Lodge.

SEC. 3. He shall collect and pay over to the Treasurer all contributions due to the Lodge, taking his receipt therefor, and report the

same to the Lodge at each regular meeting; shall carefully preserve and file all communications, reports and other documents or papers belonging to the Lodge; take charge of the seal, and notify each member of every committee of the business referred to him.

SEC. 4. The Secretary shall give all the notices required to the Lodges in the Parish, and generally perform all duties appertaining to his office, as required by the Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Lodge, or by an order of the Worshipful Master. He shall receive, as a compensation for his services, ———, and be exempt from the payment of all dues to the Lodge.

#### ARTICLE VI.

##### FEES AND DUES.

SECTION 1. The fees for conferring degrees in this Lodge shall be as follows :

For the Entered Apprentice.....	\$——
“ Fellow Craft.....	—
“ Master Mason.....	——

SEC. 2. Every petition for initiation in this Lodge shall be accompanied by the fee for the first degree, which shall be returned to the applicant in case he be rejected.

#### ARTICLE VII.

##### AMENDMENTS, ETC.

SECTION 1. These By-Laws may be amended by a resolution, submitted in writing, at a regular meeting, at least one month previous to any action thereon, and then passed by a concurrence of two-thirds of the members present.

SEC. 2. These By-Laws shall not be suspended or dispensed with, except for a single occasion, and at a regular meeting; nor then, unless by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

## ORDER OF BUSINESS.

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The following shall be the Order of Business at the regular meetings of this Lodge :

1. Reading of the Minutes.
2. Reports of the Relief and Finance Committees, Treasurer and Secretary.
3. Reports of other committees, in the order of their appointment, and ballotings on applications for Degrees or Affiliation.
4. Reading of Communications from the Grand Lodge, and from other Lodges.
5. Reading and referring Petitions; Reading of all other Communications.
6. Unfinished Business.
7. New Business.
8. Conferring Degrees and Lectures.

This Order of Business may be changed for a single occasion, by a majority of the members present.

In Memory of

PAST DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

**THOMAS H. LEWIS,**

WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE

On 24th March, 1861,

AT HIS RESIDENCE,

OPELOUSAS, ST. LANDRY PARISH,

LOUISIANA.

# HISTORICAL TABLE

OF

## LODGES IN LOUISIANA.

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In accordance with a resolution adopted at the session of February 15th, 1861, I have prepared the subjoined table, showing the true history of the origin and present relationship of the Lodges which have been in any way connected with our Most Worshipful Grand Lodge.

In doing so, I have deemed it proper to introduce the table by the subjoined extract from the proceedings of the Convention which formed our Grand Lodge.

In the preparation of this table, much difficulty has been experienced in ascertaining the information therein detailed, occasioned from the very imperfect and loose manner in which the papers connected with the early history of our Grand Lodge were kept and have been filed; and hence, I earnestly request that any brother in our jurisdiction, or elsewhere, who may examine the subjoined table, will furnish to me any information in his power, which may correct a positive error, or explain more clearly a statement given.

Fraternally, etc.,

SAML G. RISK,  
Grand Secretary.

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Extracts from Records of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, A. F. and A. M.

WHEREAS, at a Grand Communication of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, held in the city of New Orleans, State of Louisiana, at the Lodge room of the Worshipful Lodge *La Parfaite Union*, No. 29,

situated in the Suburb St. Mary, corner of Camp and Gravier streets, on the 15th day of May, in the year of our Lord 1812, and of Masonry 5812. It was unanimously

“Resolved, That the Worshipful Master of the W. Lodge *La Parfaite Union*, No. 29, the Senior of the Regular Lodges of this State, be requested to issue his Summons to the Masters, Past-Masters, and officers of the several ancient and regularly constituted Lodges in this State, to meet in Convention, to take into consideration the interests of the true Craft, and to deliberate on the necessity of establishing a GRAND LODGE in this State.”

(Sitting of the 13th June, 1812.)

Whereas, at a Grand Convention of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, held in the city of New Orleans, State of Louisiana, in the Lodge room of the W. Lodge *La Parfaite Union*, No. 29, situated in the Suburb St. Mary, corner of Camp and Gravier streets, on Saturday, the 13th of June, in the year of our Lord, 1812, and of Masonry 5812.

PRESENT :

1st. The Worshipful Master, Past Masters and Officers of the Worshipful Lodge *La Parfaite Union*, No. 29, regularly constituted by the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of South Carolina, by Warrant bearing date the 21st of November, 1793.

2d. The Worshipful Master, Past-Masters, and Officers of the Worshipful Lodge *La Charité*, No. 93, regularly constituted by the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, by Warrant bearing date the 1st of March, 1802.

3d. The Worshipful Master, Past-Masters, and officers of the Worshipful Lodge *La Concorde*, No. 117, regularly constituted by the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, by Warrant bearing date the 29th of October, 1810.

4th. The Worshipful Master, Past-Masters, and Officers of the Worshipful Lodge *La Persévérance*, No. 118, regularly constituted by the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, by Warrant bearing date the 27th of October, 1810.

5th. The Worshipful Master, Past-Masters, and Officers of the Worshipful Lodge *L'Etoile Polaire*, No. 129, regularly constituted by the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, by Warrant bearing date the 3d of June, 1811.



The Grand Convention having met agreeably to Summons issued by the W. Brother P. F. Dubourg, present Master of the W. Lodge *La Parfaite Union*, No. 29, for the express purpose to take into consideration the interests of the true Craft, and to determine whether it would be advantageous to establish a Grand Lodge in the State of Louisiana.

The following motion was made and seconded, viz: That Saturday next, the 20th of June, be the day appointed for the election of the Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, and other Grand Officers, to form a Grand Lodge for the State of Louisiana, free and independent of all other Masonic Jurisdiction, under the style and title of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, Ancient Free Masons. The said motion was, *nemine contradicente*, agreed to.

(Sitting of the 20th June, 1812.)

And, Whereas, at a Grand Convention of Ancient Free Masons, held, on the 20th June, 1812, and of Masonry 5812, at the Lodge room of the Worshipful Lodge *La Parfaite Union*, No. 29, situated as above, being the day appointed for the election of a Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, and other Grand officers, to form a Grand Lodge for the State of Louisiana, free and independent from all other Masonic Jurisdiction, under the title and denomination of Grand Lodge of Louisiana, Ancient Free Masons.

The Convention proceeded by ballot to the election of the afore-said Grand Officers, and on casting up the votes, it appeared that the Right Worshipful Brethren, hereinafter named, obtained a majority, and were duly elected to the dignities of the Grand Lodge, to wit :

The Worshipful P. F. Dubourg, present Master of the Worshipful Lodge, *La Parfaite Union*, No. 29, Grand Master.

The Honorable and Worshipful L. C. Moreau Lislet, Past Master and Member of the Worshipful Lodge *L'Etoile Polaire*, No. 129, Deputy Grand Master.

The Worshipful Jean Blanque, present Master of the Worshipful Lodge *La Charité*, No. 93, Senior Grand Warden.

The Worshipful François Pernot, present Master of the Worshipful Lodge *La Concorde*, No. 117, Junior Grand Warden.

The Worshipful J. B. Pinta, present Master of the Worshipful Lodge *La Persévérance*, No. 118, Grand Treasurer.

J. B. Veron, present Senior Warden of the W. Lodge *La Persévérance*, No. 118, Grand Secretary.

The Worshipful Mathurin Pacaud, Past Master and member of the Worshipful Lodge *L'Etoile Polaire*, No. 129, Grand Orator.

Yves Lemounier, present Junior Warden of the W. Lodge *La Charité*, No. 93, Grand Pursuivant.

Augustin Macarty, present Junior Warden of the W. Lodge *La Parfaite Union*, No. 29, Grand Steward.

In the same sitting, the Most Worshipful Grand Master was duly and regularly installed, proclaimed, saluted, and congratulated, agreeably to ancient form and usage.

It was, moreover, unanimously resolved by the Grand Convention, that the M. W. Grand Master should be authorized to install the other Grand Officers elected, and to designate a convenient day for their installation, and the opening of the Grand Lodge.

(Sitting of the 11th July, 1812.)

And, whereas, Saturday, the 11th day of July, in the year of our Lord 1812, and of Masonry 5812, having been fixed upon by the M. W. Grand Master for the installation of the Grand Officers, and for the opening of the Grand Lodge.

The Members of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana met agreeably to the summons, to them directed by the M. W. Grand Master, in New Orleans, at the Lodge room of the Worshipful Lodge *La Parfaite Union*, situated as aforesaid, and the M. W. Grand Master proceeded to the installation of the Grand Officers elected, according to the order of their respective dignities, and the said Grand Officers were duly proclaimed, saluted, and congratulated agreeably to ancient form and usage, of which proceedings appear more fully on the Records of the Grand Convention and of the Grand Lodge.

# HISTORICAL TABLE OF THE LODGES

WHICH FOUNDED THE GRAND LODGE OF LOUISIANA, AND OF THOSE CREATED BY IT SINCE ITS FOUNDATION.

	NAMES OF LODGES.	No.	PLACE OF THEIR ESTABLISHMENT.	DATE OF CHARTER.	REMARKS.
1	Parfaite Union.....	1	New Orleans.....	12 July.....1812	Founded Grand Lodge.
2	Etoile Polaire.....	1	New Orleans.....	12 July.....1812	Founded Grand Lodge.
3	Charité.....	2	New Orleans.....	12 July.....1812	Founded Grand Lodge.—Extinct.
4	Amis Réunis.....	2	New Orleans.....	G. O. Fr. 1829	Annexed to Perseverance Lodge, No. 4.
5	Trinosophes.....	2	New Orleans.....	G. Lodge 1829	Annexed to Perseverance Lodge, No. 4.
6	Concorde.....	3	New Orleans.....	12 July.....1812	Founded Grand Lodge.
7	Liberal.....	3	New Orleans.....	6 October... 1838	Extinct.
8	Perseverance.....	4	New Orleans.....	12 July.....1812	Founded Grand Lodge.
9	Amor Fraternal.....	4	New Orleans.....	1 April.....1839	Annexed to Amigos del Orden, No. 5.
10	Disciple du Sénat Maçonnique.....	5	New Orleans.....	3 June.....1839	Name changed to St. André, February 14, 1855.
11	Amigos del Orden.....	5	New Orleans.....	24 Septemb.. 1842	
12	Friendship.....	6	Mobile, Alabama.....	12 July.....1812	Charter forfeited, 17th March, 1820.
13	Reunion Frater. de Caridad.....	7	New Orleans.....	12 July.....1815	Charter forfeited, 17th March, 1820.
14	Amigos Reunidos.....	8	New Orleans.....	12 July.....1816	Extinct.
15	Reunion de la Virtud.....	9	Campeche.....	12 July.....1817	Charter forfeited in 1821.
16	Silencio.....	9	New Orleans.....	12 July.....1817	
17	Etoile Flamboyante.....	10	Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	12 July.....1817	Charter forfeited in 1834.
18	Templo de la Divina Purida.....	11	Matanzas, Cuba.....	12 July.....1818	Charter forfeited in 1822.
19	La Vérité.....	12	Donaldsonville, Louisiana.....	12 July.....1818	Charter forfeited in 1829.
20	L'Union.....	13	Natchitoches, Louisiana.....	12 July.....1818	Charter forfeited in 1828.
21	La Rectitude.....	14	Havana, Cuba.....	12 July.....1818	Extinct.
22	Columbian.....	15	Alexandria, Louisiana.....	12 July.....1819	Extinct.
23	Eureka.....	16	Blakesly, Alabama.....	12 July.....1819	Extinct.
24	Washington.....	17	Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	12 July.....1819	Extinct.
25	Aurera de ****.....	18	Yucatan, Cuba.....	12 July.....1820	Extinct.
26	Humble Chaumière.....	19	Opelousas, St. Landry, Louisiana.....	12 July.....1820	
27	Triple Bienfaisance.....	20	New Orleans.....	12 July.....1820	Charter surrendered, March 1, 1829.
28	Sincère Amitié.....	21	St. Martinsville, Attakapas, Louisiana.....	12 July.....1821	Charter surrendered, August 1, 1825.
29	Mobile.....	22	Mobile, Alabama.....	12 July.....1821	Extinct.
30	Union.....	23	Parish of St. James, Louisiana.....	12 July.....1823	Charter surrendered, November 7, 1833.
31	Western Star.....	24	Monroe, Onachita, Louisiana.....	12 July.....1823	Now No. 61.—New Charter granted 1849.
32	Lafayette.....	25	New Orleans.....	12 July.....1824	Extinct.
33	Harmony.....	26	New Orleans.....	12 July.....1826	Extinct.
34	Numantina.....	27	New Orleans.....	12 July.....1826	Extinct.
35	St. Albans.....	28	Jackson, East Feliciana, Louisiana.....	12 July.....1827	
36	Harmony.....	29	Opelousas, Louisiana.....	12 July.....1827	Extinct.

# HISTORICAL TABLE OF LODGES-Continued.

NAMES OF THE LODGES.		No	PLACE OF THEIR ESTABLISHMENT.	DATE OF CHARTER.	REMARKS.
37	Lafayette.....	30	Vermillionville, Attakapas, Louisiana.....	12 July.....1827	Extinct.
38	Feliciana.....	31	St. Francisville, Louisiana.....	9 March.....1828	
39	Louisiana.....	32	New Orleans.....	9 March.....1828	Extinct.
40	Hiram.....	33	Cheneyville, Avoyelles, Louisiana.....	9 March.....1828	Extinct.
41	Selected Friends.....	34	Clinton, Avoyelles, Louisiana.....	3 January...1829	Extinct.
42	Fraternité.....	35	New Orleans.....	13 August...1833	Charter surrendered October 14, 1840.
43	Holland.....	36	Brazoria, Texas.....	27 January...1836	
44	Alexandria.....	37	Alexandria, Louisiana.....	27 January...1836	Extinct.
45	Phoenix.....	38	Natchitoches, Louisiana.....	6 October...1836	
46	Poinsett.....	39	New Orleans.....	6 October...1837	Extinct. Members thereof formed Marion, No. 68.
47	Milam.....	40	Nacogdoches, Texas.....	22 Sept.....1837	Founded Grand Lodge of Texas, in 1857.
48	McFarland.....	41	St. Augustine, Texas.....	22 Sept.....1837	Founded Grand Lodge of Texas, in 1857.
49	Morning Star.....	42	Arkansas Post.....	6 January...1838	Founded Grand Lodge of Arkansas, in 1842.
50	Western Star.....	43	Little Rock, Arkansas.....	6 January...1838	Founded Grand Lodge of Arkansas, in 1842.
51	Foyer Maçonnique.....	44	New Orleans.....	6 October...1838	
52	Désert.....	44	Napoleonville, Assumption Parish, Louisiana.....	24 Dec. ....1841	Extinct.
53	Jackson.....	45	Greenwood, Caddo Parish, Louisiana.....	28 January...1843	
54	Germania.....	46	New Orleans.....	18 April.....1844	
55	St. James.....	47	East Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	28 June.....1844	
56	Hospitalière du Têche.....	48	St. Martinsville, Attakapas, Louisiana.....	25 Sept.....1844	Extinct.
57	Caddo.....	49	Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana.....	14 February. 1845	Charter surrendered in 1853.
58	Providence.....	50	Lake Providence, Louisiana.....	19 April .....1845	
59	Minden.....	51	Minden, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	19 April .....1845	
60	Olive.....	52	Clinton, East Feliciana Parish, Louisiana.....	27 Nov.....1845	
61	Union Fraternal.....	52	Farmersville, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	13 Sept.....1845	
62	Mount Gerizim.....	54	Bastrop, Morehouse Parish, Louisiana.....	28 Nov.....1846	
63	De Soto.....	55	Mansfield, De Soto Parish, Louisiana.....	27 March.....1847	
64	Lafayette.....	56	Vernon, Jackson Parish, Louisiana.....	27 Nov.....1847	
65	Franklin.....	57	Franklin, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana.....	24 January...1848	
66	Friends of Harmony.....	58	New Orleans.....	22 April .....1848	
67	Mount Moriah.....	59	New Orleans.....	24 March.....1849	
68	Coushatta.....	60	Coushatta, Louisiana.....	1 May.....1849	Extinct since 1854.
69	Western Star.....	61	Monroe, Louisiana.....	1 May.....1849	
70	Hermann.....	62	New Orleans.....	26 Nov.....1849	Charter surrendered in 1852.
71	Tunica.....	63	Tunica, Louisiana.....	28 January...1850	
72	Edna.....	64	Columbia, Caldwell Parish, Louisiana .....	26 Nov.....1849	Charter forfeited in 1856.
73	George Washington.....	65	New Orleans.....	4 March .....1850	

74	Dudley.....	66	New Orleans.....	4	March.....1850	
75	Warren.....	67	New Orleans.....	4	March.....1850	Charter surrendered June 5, 1852.
76	Marion.....	68	New Orleans.....	4	March.....1850	
77	Crescent City.....	69	New Orleans.....	4	March.....1850	Annexed to George Washington, No. 65, in 1851.
78	Hiram.....	70	New Orleans.....	4	March.....1850	
79	Eureka.....	71	New Orleans.....	27	Dec.....1847	Charter surrendered April 22, 1850.
80	Alpha Home.....	72	New Orleans.....	4	March.....1850	A union of two Lodges, Alpha and Home.
81	St. Johns.....	73	New Orleans.....			
82	Joppa.....	74	New Orleans.....	4	March.....1850	Charter surrendered in July, 1857.
83	Sabine.....	75	Fort Jesup, Sabine Parish, Louisiana.....	4	March.....1850	
84	Quitman.....	76	New Orleans.....	4	March.....1850	
85	Mount Moriah.....	77	Port Hudson, Parish of East Feliciana, Louisiana.....	4	March.....1850	
86	Orleans.....	78	New Orleans.....	4	March.....1850	
87	St. Joseph.....	79	St. Joseph, Tensas Parish, Louisiana.....	4	March.....1850	
88	DeWitt Clinton.....	80	Marion, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	4	March.....1850	
89	Iberville.....	81	Plaquemine, Iberville Parish, Louisiana.....	4	March.....1850	Charter forfeited in 1856.
90	Clinton York.....	82	Clinton, East Feliciana Parish, Louisiana.....	4	March.....1850	Annexed to Olive, No. 52, in 1852.
91	Mount Vernon.....	83	Logansport, Louisiana.....	4	March.....1850	
92	Oliver.....	84	Alexandria, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.....	4	March.....1850	
93	Florida.....	85	Jackson, East Feliciana Parish, Louisiana.....	11	Jan.....1849	Annexed to St. Albans Lodge, No. 28.
94	Pleasant Hill.....	86	Pleasant Hill, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana.....	4	March.....1850	Charter forfeited in 1856. Revived in 1861.
95	Lafayette.....	87	Pattersonville, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana.....	4	March.....1850	
96	Many.....	88	Many, Sabine Parish, Louisiana.....	4	March.....1850	
97	Cypress.....	89	Collinsburg, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.....	4	March.....1850	
98	Thibodaux Benevolent.....	90	Thibodaux, Lafourche Interior, Louisiana.....	21	Jan.....1851	
99	Livonia.....	91	Livonia, Pointe Coupee Parish, Louisiana.....	21	Jan.....1851	Charter surrendered in 1857. Revived in 1861.
100	Monticello.....	92	Monticello, Carroll Parish, Louisiana.....	21	Jan.....1851	
101	Le Vrais Amis.....	93	Cheniere Caminada, Barrataria, Louisiana.....	13	Feb.....1851	Charter forfeited in 1856.
102	Napoleon.....	94	Marion, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	21	Jan.....1851	Charter forfeited in 1857. Revived in 1858.
103	Bellevue.....	95	Bellvue, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.....	21	Jan.....1851	Charter surrendered in 1857.
104	St. Helena.....	96	Greensburg, St. Helena Parish, Louisiana.....	21	Jan.....1851	
105	Patmos.....	97	Richmond, Madison Parish, Louisiana.....	17	Jan.....1854	Charter surrendered in 1859.
106	Hermitage.....	98	New Orleans.....	21	Jan.....1851	
107	Henderson.....	99	Cotile, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.....	21	Jan.....1851	
108	Taylor.....	100	Homer, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	21	Jan.....1851	Charter forfeited in 1858.
109	Franklinton.....	101	Franklinton, Washington Parish, Louisiana.....	21	Jan.....1851	
110	Louisiana.....	102	New Orleans.....	23	Jan.....1851	
111	Cloutierville.....	103	Cloutierville, Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana.....	21	Jan.....1852	
112	Mount Lebanon.....	104	Mount Lebanon, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.....	21	Jan.....1852	
113	Trinity.....	105	Trinity, Catahoula Parish, Louisiana.....	21	Jan.....1852	
114	Vienna.....	106	Vienna, Jackson Parish, Louisiana.....	21	Jan.....1852	
115	Patrick Henry.....	107	City of Jefferson, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana.....	21	Jan.....1852	Charter surrendered in 1855.
116	Sparta.....	108	Sparta, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.....	21	Jan.....1852	

# HISTORICAL TABLE OF LODGES—Concluded.

	NAMES OF LODGES.	No.	PLACE OF THEIR ESTABLISHMENT.	DATE OF CHARTER.	REMARKS.
117	Castor .....	109	Castor, Caldwell Parish, Louisiana.....	21 January...1852	
118	Harrisonburg .....	110	Harrisonburg, Catahoula Parish, Louisiana.....	21 January...1852	
119	Urim .....	111	Forksville, Ouachita Parish, Louisiana.....	2 February.1853	
120	Bartholomew .....	112	Plantersville, Morehouse Parish, Louisiana .....	25 February.1853	
121	Thomas Jefferson .....	113	Spearsville, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	25 February.1853	
122	Friendship .....	114	Woodville, Jackson Parish, Louisiana.....	25 February.1853	
123	Shreveport .....	115	Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana.....	27 January...1852	
124	Acacia .....	116	Plaquemine, Iberville Parish, Louisiana.....	17 January...1854	
125	Milford .....	117	Manchac Settlement, East Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	20 January...1854	
126	Terryville.....	118	Quay Post Office, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	17 January...1854	Charter forfeited February 15th, 1861.
127	Constantine .....	119	Waterproof, Tensas Parish, Louisiana.....	17 January...1854	
128	Deerfield .....	120	Deerfield, Carroll Parish, Louisiana.....	17 January...1854	
129	Lisbon .....	121	Lisbon, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	17 January...1854	
130	Mackey .....	122	Ringgold, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.....	20 January...1854	
131	Liberty .....	123	Keachi, De Soto Parish, Louisiana.....	14 February.1855	
132	Kellertown .....	124	Kellertown, East Feliciana, Louisiana.....	14 February.1855	
133	Pearl River .....	125	Line Academy (Shady Grove), Washington Parish, La...	14 February.1855	
134	Arcadia.....	126	Arcadia, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.....	14 February.1855	
135	Springhill .....	127	Springhill Church, Union Cross Roads, Louisiana.....	14 February.1855	
136	D'Arbonne .....	128	D'Arbonne, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	14 February.1855	Charter surrendered in 1859.
137	Dawson .....	129	Scottville, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	14 February.1855	
138	Solomon .....	130	Goodrich Landing, Pecan Grove P. O., Carroll Par'h, La.	17 February.1855	
139	Shiloh .....	131	Shiloh, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	14 February.1855	
140	Warren .....	132	Winnboro, Franklin Parish, Louisiana.....	14 February.1855	
141	Gordy .....	133	Cheneyville, Rapides Parish, Louisiana .....	14 February.1855	
142	Harry Hill .....	134	Bastrop, Morehouse Parish, Louisiana.....	14 February.1855	
143	Plains.....	135	Plains Store, East Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	12 February.1856	
144	Athens.....	136	Athens, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	12 February.1856	
145	Murray .....	137	Alexandria, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.....	12 February.1856	Charter forfeited in 1857.
146	Jeffersonian .....	138	Jefferson Mills, De Soto Parish, Louisiana.....	12 February.1856	Charter surrendered in 1860.
147	Houma .....	139	Houma, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.....	12 February.1856	
148	Cool Spring .....	140	Cool Spring Academy, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	12 February.1856	
149	Huntington.....	141	Minden, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	12 February.1856	
150	Home.....	142	New Orleans .....	12 February.1856	Annexed to Alpha Lodge, No. 72, in 1859.

151	Downsville .....	143	Downsville, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	12	February.1856
152	Ocean .....	144	New Orleans.....	10	February.1857
153	Hope .....	145	Vermillionville, Lafayette Parish, Louisiana.....	10	February.1857
154	Silent Brotherhood.....	146	Coushatta Chute, Louisiana.....	10	February.1857
155	Anacoco .....	147	Anacoco, Sabine Parish, Louisiana.....	10	February.1857
156	Red Land .....	148	Rocky Mount, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.....	10	February.1857
157	Darlington .....	149	Darlington, St. Helena Parish, Louisiana.....	10	February.1858
158	Perkins .....	150	Donaldsonville, Ascension Parish, Louisiana.....	10	February.1858
159	Eastern Star.....	151	Winnfield, Winn Parish, Louisiana.....	10	February.1858
160	Homer .....	152	Homer, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	10	February.1858
161	Saints John .....	153	Algiers, Parish of Orleans, Louisiana.....	10	February.1858
162	Fillmore .....	154	Fillmore, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.....	12	February.1858
163	Cherry Ridge.....	155	Cherry Ridge, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	12	February.1858
164	Kissatchie.....	156	Kissatchie, Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana.....	12	February.1858
165	Gross Tête.....	157	Rosedale Post Office, Louisiana.....	18	February.1859
166	Rapides.....	158	Huddleston Post Office, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.....	16	February.1859
167	Morganza .....	159	Morganza, Point Coupée Parish, Louisiana.....	16	February.1859
168	Livingston .....	160	Ponchitoula, Livingston Parish, Louisiana.....	16	February.1859
169	Brookville.....	161	Point Jefferson, Morehouse Parish, Louisiana.....	16	February.1860
170	Burnsville.....	162	Shangaloo, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	16	February.1860
171	Atchafalaya .....	163	Simsport, Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana.....	16	February.1860
172	Columbia.....	164	Columbia, Caldwell Parish, Louisiana.....	16	February.1860
173	Lake Charles .....	165	Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.....	16	February.1860
174	Excelsior.....	166	New Orleans.....	12	February.1861
175	Linn Wood .....	167	City of Jefferson, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana.....	13	February.1861
176	Montgomery.....	168	Montgomery, Winn Parish, Louisiana.....	13	February.1861
177	Haynesville.....	169	Haynesville, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	13	February.1861

NOTE.—The following Lodges: George Washington, No. 65; Dudley, No. 66; Warren, No. 67; Marion, No. 68; Crescent City, No. 69; Hiram, No. 70; and Eureka, No. 71, received Dispensations from the Grand Lodge of Mississippi in the year 1847, and on the 21st February, 1848, were regularly Chartered by that Grand Lodge. On the 8th of March, 1848, these seven Lodges met in Convention and formed a Grand Lodge under the style of the "LOUISIANA GRAND LODGE OF A. Y. M. MASONS," which issued Charters to these seven Lodges, numbering them one to seven as named above. This new Grand Lodge continued its labors for two years, and established the following Lodges during that period: Alpha, No. 72; St. Johns, No. 73; Joppa, No. 74; Sabine, No. 75; Quitman, No. 76; Mt. Moriah, No. 77; Orleans, No. 78; St. Joseph, No. 79; De Witt Clinton, No. 80; Iberville, No. 81; Clinton York, No. 82; Mt. Vernon, No. 83; Oliver, No. 84; Florida, No. 85; Pleasant Hill, No. 86; Lafayette, No. 87; Many, No. 88; and Cypress, No. 89; numbering them respectively from eight to twenty-five, as named above. On the 4th of March, 1850, a union of the two Grand Lodges was ratified, and peace and harmony has reigned since, with the exception of the unwarranted usurpation of a self-created body, whose founder has been expelled from all the legitimate bodies of which he claimed membership, and whose offspring have never been recognized by any legitimate body of Masons in the world.

# NAMES AND RESIDENCES

## OF THE

# DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS,

### APPOINTED UNDER THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS,

*Together with the Lodges under their Charge.*

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*Resolved*, That the M. W. Grand Master be empowered to divide the State into a convenient number of Masonic Districts, and appoint for each District a District Deputy Grand Master ; which Deputies shall be required to attend on the Annual Communications of this Grand Lodge and Lecture together, under the Supervision of the Committee on Work, until they have acquired the Work and Lectures alike. After returning to their several Districts, they shall notify each Lodge in their Districts to send one or more Delegates to such place as they shall name, which should be some central point in each District, there to remain and Lecture until they have acquired the Work and Lectures as their District Deputy Grand Masters have them, and on their return home they shall instruct their Lodges in the same manner.

*Resolved*, That the actual expenses of the District Deputy Grand Masters incurred by their attendance on the Grand Lodge in acquiring the Work, shall be paid by this Grand Lodge ; and that they shall be entitled to charge each Lodge in their Districts, whose Delegates they may instruct, the sum of ten dollars.

#### FIRST DISTRICT.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, M. W. GRAND MASTER..... NEW ORLEANS.

Perfect Union, No. 1; Polar Star, No. 1; Concorde, No. 3; Perseverance, No. 4; Los Amigos del Orden, No. 5; St. Andrew, No. 5; Silencio, No. 9; Foyer Maçonnique, No. 44; Germania, No. 46; Friends of Harmony, No. 58; Mt. Moriah, No. 59; George Washington, No. 65; Dudley, No. 66; Marion, No. 68; Hiram, No. 70; Alpha Home, No. 72; Quitman, No. 76; Orleans, No. 78; Hermitage, No. 98; Louisiana, No. 102; Ocean, No. 144; Saints John, No. 153; Excelsior, No. 166; Linn Wood, No. 167.

#### SECOND DISTRICT.

AMOS KENT.....TANGIPAHOO, ST. HELENA PARISH.

St. Helena, No. 96; Franklinton, No. 101; Pearl River, No. 125; Darlington, No. 149; Livingston, No. 160.



## THIRD DISTRICT.

SAMUEL M. HART.....BATON ROUGE.

St. James, No. 47; Acacia, No. 116; Milford, No. 117; Plains, No. 135; Perkins, No. 150; Grosse Tête, No. 157.

## FOURTH DISTRICT.

A. G. CARTER, DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.....PORT HUDSON.

St. Albans, No. 28; Feliciana, No. 31; Olive, No. 52; Tunica, No. 63; Mount Moriah, No. 77; Livonia, No. 91; Kellertown, No. 124; Morganza, No. 159; Atchafalaya, No. 163.

## FIFTH DISTRICT.

GEORGE H. WELLS.....HARRISONBURG, CATAHOULA PARISH.

Trinity, No. 105; Harrisonburg, No. 110; Warren, No. 132.

## SIXTH DISTRICT.

M. MORGAN.....PECAN GROVE, P. O., CARROLL PARISH.

Providence, No. 50; St. Joseph, No. 79; Monticello, No. 92; Constantine, No. 119; Deerfield, No. 120; Solomon, No. 130.

## SEVENTH DISTRICT.

A. S. WASHBURN.....PLANTERSVILLE, MOREHOUSE PARISH.

Mt. Gerizim, No. 54; Western Star, No. 61; Urim, No. 111; Bartholomew, No. 112; Harry Hill, No. 134; Brookville, No. 161.

## EIGHTH DISTRICT.

HY. REGENBURG, J. G. WARDEN.....FARMERSVILLE, UNION PARISH.

Union Fraternal, No. 53; DeWitt Clinton, No. 80; Napoleon, No. 94; Thomas Jefferson, No. 113; Springhill, No. 127; Shiloh, No. 131; Downs ville, No. 143; Cherry Ridge, No. 155.

## NINTH DISTRICT.

JOHN C. JONES.....VERNON, JACKSON PARISH.

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## TENTH DISTRICT.

WM. WALKER.....WINNFIELD, WINN PARISH.

Castor, No. 109; Eastern Star, No. 151; Columbia, No. 164; Montgomery, No. 168.

## ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

J. D. CAWTHON.....RINGGOLD, BIENVILLE PARISH.

Mt. Lebanon, No. 104; Sparta, No. 108; Mackey, No. 122; Silent Brotherhood, No. 146.

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## TWELFTH DISTRICT.

G. M. KILLGORE.....HOMER, CLAIBORNE PARISH.

Minden, No. 51; Lisbon, No. 121; Dawson, No. 129; Athens, No. 136; Cool Spring, No. 140; Huntington, No. 141; Homer, No. 152; Burnsville, No. 162; Haynesville, No. 169.

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## THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

CHARLES CHAFFE.....SHREVEPORT, CADDO PARISH.

Jackson, No. 45; Cypress, No. 89; Shreveport, No. 115; Red Land, No. 148; Fillmore, No. 154.

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## FOURTEENTH DISTRICT.

JOHN H. SUTHERLIN.....MANSFIELD, DESOTO PARISH.

DeSoto, No. 55; Mt. Vernon, No. 83; Pleasant Hill, No. 86; Liberty, No. 123.

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## FIFTEENTH DISTRICT.

S. O. SCRUGGS.....CLOUTHIERVILLE, NATCHITOCHES PARISH.

Phoenix, No. 38; Sabine, No. 75; Oliver, No. 84; Many, No. 88; Henderson, No. 99; Cloutierville, No. 103; Kissatchie, No. 156.

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## SIXTEENTH DISTRICT.

G. B. BURR.....HUDDLESTON P. O., RAPIDES PARISH.

Gordy, No. 133; Ancacoco, No. 147; Rapides, No. 158; Lake Charles, No. 165.

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## SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

J. C. GORDY, SENIOR GRAND WARDEN....FRANKLIN, ST. MARY PARISH.

Humble Cottage, No. 19; Franklin, No. 57; Lafayette, No. 87; Thibodaux Benevolent, No. 90; Houma, No. 139; Hope, No. 145.

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F.: AND A.: MASONS,

OF THE  
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# PROCEEDINGS

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## GRAND LODGE OF LOUISIANA,

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The Fiftieth Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful "THE GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA," commenced in the city of New Orleans, at the Grand Lodge Hall, on St. Charles street, on Monday, February 10th, 1862, at half-past six o'clock, P. M.

The Grand Lodge was opened by M. W. Grand Master J. Q. A. FELLOWS, in AMPLE FORM, in the Third Degree.

### OFFICERS PRESENT:

J. Q. A. FELLOWS .....	M. W. Grand Master.
S. O. SCRUGGS.....	as R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
JOHN C. GORDY .....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
HY. REGENBURG .....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
HARMON DOANE .....	W. Grand Treasurer.
SAMUEL M. TODD.....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES, D. D.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
JOHN H. CLARK.....	as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
NELSON KEYES .....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
D. E. SCRUGGS ..	W. Grand Marshal.
J. D. CATLIN .....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
W. W. RISHER.....	as W. Grand Pursuivant.
W. H. SEAMAN .....	} W. Grand Stewards.
THOS. SUPPLE.....	
JOHN KNIGHT.....	
THOS. F. HEDGES.....	
JAMES B. SCOT.....	W. Grand Tyler.

Bros. S. S. Munger, of Lafayette Lodge No. 34, and F. A. Rice, of Holland Lodge No. 1, of the State of Texas, visited the Grand Lodge this evening.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced the following brethren as a Committee on Credentials: John D. Catlin, S. D. Oliver, and Joseph P. Hornor, who, after a short recess, submitted the following report, which was read, and, on motion, adopted:

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana:*

The undersigned, Committee on Credentials, beg leave to report that they have performed their duty, and respectfully report the following named brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge, as legal and constitutional Representatives and Delegates, namely:

CONCORDE.....No. 3—René Gutierrez, W. M.

V. E. Dubois, S. W.

Simon Conradi, J. W.

LOS AMIGOS DEL ORDEN.....No. 5—Angel Martin, W. M.

Bruno de Lucas, S. W.

A. del Valle y Nogueira, J. W.

ST. ANDREW.....No. 5—J. Lamarre, W. M.

J. M. Déjeant, S. W.

N. Fournier, J. W.

HUMBLE COTTAGE.....No. 19—J. J. Beauchamp, W. M.

A. Louaillier, S. W.

E. Bouchez, J. W.

FELICIANA.....No. 31—Samuel J. Powell, W. M.

Robert Hale, S. W.

Felix V. Leake, J. W.

GERMANIA.....No. 46—Peter Jansen, W. M.

J. L. Kaiser, S. W.

Christopher Wild, J. W.

ST. JAMES.....No. 47—George A. Pike, W. M.

S. M. Asher, S. W.

A. Bradford, J. W.

- UNION FRATERNAL.....No. 53—Henry Regenburg, W. M.  
M. S. Carson, S. W. (D. Arent, proxy.)  
Joseph Baker, J. W.
- LAFAYETTE.....No. 56—John C. Jones, W. M.  
John W. Jones, S. W.  
S. Trask, J. W.
- FRANKLIN.....No. 57—John C. Gordy, W. M.  
A. L. Tucker, S. W.  
Mayer Mayer, J. W.
- FRIENDS OF HARMONY.....No. 58—John H. Clark, W. M.  
J. O. De Castro, S. W.  
T. J. O'Regan, J. W.
- MOUNT MORIAH.....No. 59—John Booth, W. M.  
F. W. Delesdernier, S. W.  
W. D. Bedford, J. W.
- GEORGE WASHINGTON.....No. 65—G. Sontag, W. M.  
Warren Davis, S. W.  
John Biguenet, J. W.
- DUDLEY.....No. 66—S. I. Guillet, W. M.  
H. F. Hall, S. W.  
Edmund M. Ivens, J. W.
- MARION.....No. 68—Daniel E. Scruggs, W. M.  
Joshua Jackson, S. W.  
Joseph P. Hornor, J. W.
- HIRAM.....No. 70—Timothy Carroll, W. M.  
E. Heidingsfelder, S. W.  
Joseph Pincus, J. W.
- ALPHA HOME.....No. 72—J. C. Batchelor, W. M.  
S. L. Bishop, S. W.  
James Douglass, J. W.
- SABINE.....No. 75—C. Beck, W. M.  
L. Barbee, S. W.  
M. B. Thompson, J. W.
- QUITMAN.....No. 76—T. A. Bartlette, W. M.  
Isaac W. Homan, S. W.  
J. T. Hill, J. W.



- ORLEANS.....No. 78—S. B. Churchill, W. M.  
C. F. Hufft, S. W.  
D. Hunter, J. W.
- LAFAYETTE.....No. 87—Nelson Keyes, W. M. (J. M. Cochrane,  
T. S. Alexander, S. W. [proxy.)  
John M. Rogers, J. W.
- THIBODAUX BENEVOLENT..No. 90—Bannon G. Thibodaux, W. M.  
Francis L. Mead, S. W. (S. J. Davies,  
Thomas Supple, J. W. [proxy.)
- MONTICELLO .....No. 92—C. B. Richardson, W. M. } S. D. Oliver  
S. D. Oliver, S. W. } proxy for  
W. T. C. Anderson, J. W. } W.M. & J.W
- NAPOLEON.....No. 94—L. K. Thomas, W. M.  
Samuel Smith, S. W.  
J. H. Roberson, J. W.
- HERMITAGE .....No. 98—Thomas Burden, W. M.  
Wm. Weber, S. W.  
Clement Brown, J. W.
- HENDERSON.....No. 99—Lewis Texada, W. M.  
John J. Meyers, S. W.  
Thomas Richardson, J. W
- CLOUTIERVILLE.....No. 103—Samuel O. Scruggs, W. M.  
Robert S. Rogers, S. W.  
Alexis Moreau, J. W.
- MOUNT LEBANON.....No. 104—John G. Randle, W. M.  
John Brice, S. W.  
John H. Walker, J. W.
- TRINITY. ....No. 105—W. W. Risher, W. M.  
W. H. Thomas, S. W.  
Simeon Thomas, J. W.
- VIENNA.....No. 106—M. P. Quinn, W. M.  
G. W. Dobbins, S. W.  
J. E. Vining, J. W.
- BARTHOLOMEW .....No. 112—John McCrory, W. M. (A. S. Washburn,  
N. S. Greenwood, S. W. [proxy.)  
Thomas Simpson, J. W.
- ACACIA... .....No. 116—Henry S. Browne, W. M.  
B. Marionneaux, S. W.  
Jos. A. Breaux, J. W.

- MILFORD .....No. 117—J. J. Freeman, W. M.  
G. W. Keller, S. W.  
J. P. Wilkerson, J. W.
- DEERFIELD.....No. 120—J. H. Callaway, W. M.  
W. T. Doggett, S. W.  
N. S. Balph, J. W.
- MACKEY.....No. 122—J. D. Cawthon, W. M.  
J. W. Walker, S. W.  
D. H. Hayes, J. W.
- PEARL RIVER.....No. 125—James Ford, W. M.  
W. C. Warren, S. W.  
J. A. Fornea, J. W.
- SOLOMON.....No. 130—Johnson Sale, W. M.  
A. C. Smith, S. W. } J. D. Catlin,  
H. Richardson, J. W. } proxy for all.
- GORDY.....No. 133—J. H. Audebert, W. M.  
J. L. Pearce, S. W.  
R. H. Jackson, J. W.
- HARRY HILL.....No. 134—Wm. McFee, W. M. (T. F. Hedges, p'xy  
Sylvester G. Parsons, S. W. [for W. M.]  
John W. Higman, J. W.
- PLAINS.....No. 135—H. C. Young, W. M.  
J. M. Loudon, S. W.  
J. R. Groom, J. W.
- HOUMA .....No. 139—W. M. Mercer, W. M.  
Joseph Aycock, S. W.  
Edward Cross, J. W.
- OCEAN .....No. 144—A. Duquercron, W. M.  
F. D. Bügel, S. W.  
A. Jensen, J. W.
- SILENT BROTHERHOOD.....No. 146—R. A. L. McCurdy, W. M.  
John E. Murph, S. W.  
W. H. Belcher, J. W.
- DARLINGTON.....No. 149—M. M. Collins, W. M.  
Hezekiah Thompson, S. W.  
Quincy Raborn, J. W.
- PERKINS .....No. 150—Thomas H. Weightman, W. M.  
E. B. Cox, S. W.  
Auguste Thibaut, J. W.

SAINTS JOHN .....	No. 153—	A. B. Seger, W. M. Thos. K. Porter, S. W. J. O. McLean, J. W.	
FILLMORE.....	No. 154—	Hy. Barnacastle, W. M. C. W. Harrell, S. W. Godfrey Martin, J. W.	
CHERRY RIDGE.....	No. 155—	M. T. Simmons, W. M. George Finton, S. W. W. T. Porter, J. W.	
KISSATCHIE.....	No. 156—	N. G. McNeely, W. M. James E. Hawkins, S. W. Wm. Matthews, J. W.	
LIVINGSTON.....	No. 160—	S. S. Hoyt, W. M. Wm. Akers, S. W. Wm. Jones, J. W.	
BROOKVILLE.....	No. 161—	Wilson G. Myers, W. M. D. S. Beauchamp, S. W. C. L. McGee, J. W.	
ATCHAFALAYA.....	No. 163—	J. B. Robinson, W. M. P. J. Whitley, S. W. (S. Smith, proxy.) Lafayette Keller, J. W.	
LAKE CHARLES.....	No. 165—	Joel Sanders, W. M. Daniel Goos, S. W. David J. Read, J. W.	} H. R. Swasey, proxy for all.
EXCELSIOR.....	No. 166—	O. J. Noyes, W. M. S. L. Butler, S. W. E. C. Hancock, J. W.	
LINN WOOD.....	No. 167—	Wm. McDuff, W. M. J. T. Aycock, S. W. J. F. Mitchell, J. W.	

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. CATLIN, S. D. OLIVER, JOSEPH P. HORNOR,	} Committee.
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A roll of Lodges was then called, and the following were found to be represented :

Nos. 3, L. o. 5, 31, 46, 47, 53, 56, 57, 58, 59, 65, 66, 68, 70, 72, 76, 87, 90, 92, 98, 103, 105, 112, 122, 130, 134, 144, 149, 150, 160, 163, 165, 166—Total, 33 Chartered Lodges.

It appearing that a constitutional quorum of Representatives from the Constituent Lodges were present, the Grand Lodge proceeded to business.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced the following

#### STANDING COMMITTEES:

##### On Audit and Accounts.

D. E. SCRUGGS.....	of Marion Lodge.....	No. 68.
J. O. DeCASTRO.....	of Friends of Harmony Lodge .....	" 58.
J. BOOTH.....	of Mount Moriah Lodge.....	" 59.

##### On Chartered Lodges.

J. D. CAWTHON.....	of Mackey Lodge.....	No. 122.
JOHN C. JONES.....	of Lafayette Lodge.....	" 56.
A. DUQUERCROU.....	of Ocean Lodge.....	" 144.

##### On Lodges under Dispensation.

G. SONTAG.....	of George Washington Lodge No. 65.
T. H. WEIGHTMAN.....	of Perkins Lodge ..... " 150.
GEO. A. PIKE.....	..of St. James Lodge ..... " 47.

##### On Appeals and Grievances.

H. R. SWASEY.....	of George Washington Lodge No. 65.	
A. B. SEGER.....	of Saints John Lodge.....	" 153.
ANGEL MARTIN.....	of Los Amigos del Orden Lodge	" 5.
JOHN H. CLARK.....	of Friends of Harmony Lodge	" 58.
T. A. BARTLETTE.....	of Quitman Lodge.....	" 76.
S. B. CHURCHILL.....	of Orleans Lodge.....	" 78.
S. I. GUILLET.....	of Dudley Lodge.....	" 66.

On Masonic Law and Jurisprudence.

JOHN H. HOLLAND.....	of Friends of Harmony Lodge No. 58.	
WM. M. PERKINS.....	of Marion Lodge.....	" 68.
S. O. SCRUGGS.....	of Cloutierville Lodge.....	" 103.
A. S. WASHBURN.....	of Bartholomew Lodge.....	" 112.
A. J. NORWOOD.....	of Kellertown Lodge.....	" 124.
JOHN C. GORDY.....	of Franklin Lodge.....	" 57.
HENRY REGENBURG.....	of Union Fraternal Lodge....	" 53.

The M. W. Grand Master, J. Q. A. FELLOWS, then delivered the following address to the Grand Lodge :

*Brethren of the Grand Lodge :*

On again assembling in Annual Grand Communication, it is my duty to lay before you my official acts and such transactions as may affect our Order in this jurisdiction, and to suggest for your consideration such matters as may seem for the good of the craft and proper to be acted upon by the Grand Lodge.

It is with a feeling of sadness that I notice the absence of many a face which I have had the pleasure to greet here during the last ten years. Many who have heretofore come up to this annual assembly and assisted us with their counsels, have, at the call of their country, left friends and home to serve its behests on the tented field and in the deadly strife of battle. A mason's duty is to his country, next after that to his God, and then to his neighbor before himself. This is the order of a mason's duties, and the true mason knows how best to fulfill them. May we who remain behind remember them in our prayers ; may their success be in proportion to the justness of their cause ; and may they be permitted to return in God's own good time, to rejoice with us in our country's deliverance and to receive the welcome of their friends and brethren.

But while those called away from our counsels to meet the foe fills our minds with sad thoughts, there are other events of the past year which we feel with a deeper anguish. Death has been among us, and taken from our midst those we looked up to with respect and whom we have ever delighted to honor.

On the 23d of March last, Past Deputy Grand Master, THOMAS H. LEWIS, departed this life, at his home in Opelousas, full of years, and yet till within a short time before his death, apparently in the height of his career of usefulness.

On the 24th of December last, our Grand Secretary, SAMUEL G. Risk, departed this life, at Memphis, Tenn., whither he had gone in the delusive hope of regaining that health which he had lost in the service of his country. It was a sad Christmas to us when the telegraph announced that we should see his living form no more. His remains were brought to this city, and interred by the Grand Lodge with all due solemnities.

It is but fitting that some suitable testimony of respect should be reported to the Grand Lodge by an appropriate committee.

I have called upon each Lodge to preserve a record of all who have gone to the war, and to state the fact in their returns, as an interesting matter for future reference. In the present time of trouble, it behooves our elder brethren to return again to their active duties in the Lodge, and by their exertions keep the Order alive and provide for the wants of the families of the younger brethren now absent in the service of their country. As has been said of old, Masonry best flourishes in times of peace; yet, as we love the Order, our exertions to preserve it will be in proportion to the present necessities. Let us meet like men and masons the greater calls upon us, and also remember, in this our time of peril, that the charity of Freemasonry is universal, and is even to be extended, so far as safety will allow, to a fallen foe.

The Lodge of which I am a member has remitted the dues of its members for the entire period which they may be engaged in the military service of the Confederacy; and some others, I understand, have made a similar provision. This has met with my entire approval.

There are a number of masons residing with us who have never withdrawn from the Lodges to which they belonged in the Northern States, and it is now impossible for them to procure their demits. I have been called upon for advice and relief in this matter in several instances, but have been able to afford no assistance. By their neglect to prepare for the future, they find themselves in an awkward position, and I know of no means by which they can be extricated, at least for the present. My advice has been to remain as they are, and that I would lay their case before the Grand Lodge. I cannot suggest any particular action in the premises.

I have granted but one Dispensation for a new Lodge during the past year, and that was to Brother A. S. Heron and others, for a

Lodge to be called Pelican Lodge, and attached to the Seventh Regiment of Louisiana Volunteers, and of which Brother Harry T. Hays is the Colonel, and with instructions to receive no materials for Work outside of that regiment. Several applications have been made to me for similar dispensations, and which I professed my willingness to grant on a proper showing, but the near approach of this session has prevented further action. I would grant one to proper parties in each regiment of Louisiana Volunteers, on proper application, with the view that the tedium of camp life might be lessened by the practice of our rites on suitable occasions.

I have been informed that the Grand Master of Virginia has granted a dispensation to certain of our own brethren in the Fifth Regiment of Louisiana Volunteers. This we cannot approve; for the soldiers of that regiment, though in Virginia, are yet our own citizens, and I cannot but regard this as an invasion of our jurisdiction. We do not invade theirs, for we confine the working of our Lodges to our own citizens and to the members of the particular regiment to which the Lodge is attached. Our late and our present Grand Secretary have had some correspondence on this subject with Brother Dove, the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, but as yet no definite action has been taken. Such other Grand Masters as have granted Army Warrants, so far as my knowledge extends, have confined their jurisdiction to a particular regiment volunteering from their own jurisdiction.

Immediately after the close of the Grand Lodge, I caused charters to be issued to those Lodges to whom they were granted (Silencio No. 9 and Excelsior No. 166 had received theirs during the session), and the usual authorization for their constitution was given to competent brethren, who reported the proper performance of the duties entrusted to them. The former charters of Springhill Lodge No. 86, and Livonia No. 91, the Grand Lodge at its last session ordered to be returned to them upon complying with certain conditions, but as yet these Lodges have not availed themselves of this order. Friendship Lodge No. 114, under the advice of the Grand Lodge, has surrendered its charter, and the District Deputy Grand Master for that district was directed to receive its books, jewels, etc., and to wind up its affairs. A full report has not as yet been received.

Soon after the close of your last Annual Communication, I appointed the several District Deputy Grand Masters, and apportioned

the Lodges among them, a statement of which was appended to the last printed proceedings of the Grand Lodge. I have received reports from but few of them, and they state that but little has been done—Work having generally ceased in their several districts. I would suggest the adoption of a regulation making these appointments permanent, placing them in the same position, in this respect, as the permanent Committee on Work, with whom they are so intimately connected. It is only in this way that these officers can become efficient disseminators of the Work.

The affairs of the Grand Lodge Hall are as prosperous as could be expected under the present state of affairs in the country. The Board of Directors will make a full report to you at the proper time.

Louisiana Relief Lodge No. 1 has continued in full vigor in the work of labor and love, not in the least falling short of its accustomed usefulness. A report of its doings during the past year will be laid before you.

In April last, the officers of Polar Star Lodge took possession of their property and hall, from which they had been illegally excluded for three years and three months. Soon afterwards, at the unanimous request of the members of the Lodge, and by the advice, among others, of the entire Board of Directors of the Grand Lodge Hall, I entered into a contract with the Lodge, in the name of the Grand Lodge, by which the Grand Lodge became the owner of the entire property recovered through the courts, estimated at \$27,500—the members of Polar Star Lodge reserving the usufruct of the same for Lodge and other Masonic meetings of themselves, not exceed-

ERRATUM.—Page 12, tenth line from bottom, instead of *Springhill*, read *Pleasant Hill* Lodge No. 86.

with eight per cent. interest from date, amounting to \$4,058 90. The Lodge required this amount to meet its indebtedness, incurred in the suit to recover this very property, which it wished in some way to pay off; for though they won the suit, with costs and rents, yet the opposing organization was not to be found, at least in a responsible shape, after it had been expelled from its illegal posses-



sion, and it was a wish of the members, which I could not hesitate to gratify, to secure beyond any contingency a home for all future time, and prevent the occurrence of any trouble such as they had just experienced, with so much cost and anxiety. Coming to me with such a showing, I could not but wish to grant their request; and acting upon the advice before mentioned, I completed the contract, and it is now submitted for your approval. By this purchase, the Fraternity has a hall, or home as it may be termed, in the lower part of the city, and in which all the Lodges in that portion of it may meet, as the others do here, apart from any other society. To be sure, the revenue since the purchase has been small, the disturbances of the times preventing Lodges from meeting and work, yet this should be no cause for discouragement. So far, the charge of the property has been wholly upon my hands, in which, however, I have been very materially assisted by the officers of Polar Star Lodge. The large basement being unoccupied, I granted it during the summer and fall, free of rent (except gas and the care of the room), to several military companies, organized in the neighborhood, as a drill room. This I did in consideration of the cause in which they were engaged, and as a part of our contribution thereto. I ask your approval of this action on my part. I would suggest a regulation placing this property, known as the "Polar Star Lodge Hall," under the immediate control of the Board of Directors of the Grand Lodge Hall, the same as this Hall now is, and of devoting its entire revenues (after defraying the necessary expenses), so soon as it shall have been paid for, "exclusively to charitable purposes, in the relief of worthy distressed members of the Order, their widows and orphans, to be distributed in such manner as the Grand Lodge shall determine, not inconsistent with the general good."

The absence of the Grand Treasurer, from April last, in Florida and Virginia, and that of the Grand Secretary, in camp at Proctorville, necessarily devolved upon me greater duties than usual, or than I had anticipated. In these I have been greatly aided by our Brother Scot, Grand Lodge Hall Keeper, and for the time Assistant Grand Secretary. The death of our lamented Brother Risk devolved upon me the most difficult position of my masonic experience, that of taking charge of his masonic business, which his ill health had not permitted him to leave as he wished, and to appoint his successor. After the most mature consideration and full advice,

I appointed our then Grand Treasurer, Past Grand Master Samuel M. Todd, as his successor, and deem myself and the Grand Lodge fortunate in having been able to procure at that inopportune moment the services of one every way so well qualified for the position.

The appointment of Past Grand Master Todd to the vacant post of Grand Secretary, made vacant the office of Grand Treasurer, which I have conferred for the time upon Brother Harmon Doane, of Louisiana Lodge No. 102, and his place of Grand Marshal has been filled *pro tem.* by Brother Daniel E. Scruggs.

The accounts of the late Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer, prepared under my supervision by Brother Scot, with the accompanying vouchers, have been submitted to your Finance Committee, and after a proper scrutiny have met their approval. They are herewith submitted.

During the past year but few questions have been presented to me for my decision, and these have been invariably decided by a reference to the law or to some former decision approved by the Grand Lodge.

The greatest call upon me has been for dispensations of time, etc., in conferring the degrees upon candidates called to the service of their country. Where the Work had been begun and a proper showing made, I invariably granted the request, and in a few instances dispensed with a portion of the time required in new cases, all other formalities being complied with. In one instance I conferred the three degrees in one night, in Perkins Lodge, on the captain of a company of artillery suddenly called into active service.

In April last, I had the pleasure of dedicating the fine Hall of Perkins Lodge, at Donaldsonville, and afterwards of exhibiting to them the Work of the Grand Lodge in the several degrees.

One case of appeal, that of Brother John Touro, from the action of Louisiana Lodge No. 102, comes over from last year. This will require some definite action from the Grand Lodge, otherwise injustice may be done the Brother.

An amendment of the By-Laws, proposed by Brother Batchelor, found on page 72 of the printed proceedings, will come regularly up for action this session.

Two committees were appointed near the close of the last Annual Communication—one to procure a new set of collars for the officers of the Grand Lodge, and the other to obtain and purchase ground

for a Masonic Rest. Neither of these committees have acted, taking advice from the uncertainty of the times, and trusting to receive your approval under the circumstances. I would suggest the continuance of the committees another year. The publication of the Masonic History of the State was deferred for similar financial reasons.

In conclusion, let me urge upon the officers and members of the Grand Lodge, and especially upon the various committees, an early attention to the business of the session. Let all matters of importance be early submitted to an appropriate committee, and let the committee fully and at once act upon each question submitted to them. Most of the reports of the Standing Committees should be in to-morrow evening. There is but little to be laid before any one of them, except that on Chartered Lodges, and I would suggest an amendment increasing the number of that committee to five or seven members. If we go to work systematically and with a will to do, our labors will close before the end of the week, and we shall return to our homes with the satisfaction of having accomplished our duty to the Craft.

On motion of Bro. S. J. POWELL, the above address was referred to the appropriate Standing Committees on the various subjects treated therein.

The Standing Committee on Audit and Accounts for the year 1861, then presented the following report :

NEW ORLEANS, February 1st, 1862.

*To J. Q. A. Fellows, Esq., Most Worshipful Grand Master*

*of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana :*

As chairman of the Committee of Audit and Accounts I have examined the accounts of Bro. Samuel G. Risk, late Grand Secretary, and Bro. Samuel M. Todd, late Grand Treasurer, and find them correct, and agreeing in every particular with the books of the Grand Secretary, as accompanying accounts current will show.

The account of the Grand Secretary shows a balance of two hundred and sixty dollars and ten cents (\$260 10) due by him to the

Grand Lodge, which will undoubtedly be settled as soon as the succession of Bro. Risk is opened.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

D. E. SCRUGGS,

*Chairman Committee Audit and Accounts.*

### Documents accompanying Report.

SAMUEL M. TODD, *Grand Treasurer, in Account Current with the*

M. W. GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

1861.		DR.	CR.
February	1—To Balance on hand at last report .....	\$2,475 15	
	16—To Amount from Samuel G. Risk, Grand Secretary.....	1,700 00	
March	8—Do do do do do .....	1,500 00	
April	8—Do do do do do .....	536 00	
November	27—Do do do do do .....	8,295 85	
December	15—Do do do do do .....	329 80	
	31—By Warrants for account of Grand Lodge, Nos. 1 to 19 inclusive, as specified below.....		\$ 2,302 30
	31—Do do for account of Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, Nos. 1 to 37 inclusive (omitting No. 11), as specified.....		12,203 85
	By Balance.....		330 65
		<u>\$14,836 80</u>	<u>\$14,836 80</u>

1861.		ON ACCOUNT OF GRAND LODGE.	
February	9—Warrant No. 1, Rev. C. S. Hedges, appropriation of Grand Lodge, for 1860...		\$ 50 00
April	9—Do do 2, R. B. Lawrence, appropriation of Grand Lodge, per resolution of February 15, 1861 .....		500 00
May	9—Do do 3, Grand Translator, salary for September, October, November and December, 1860, at \$75 per month.....		300 00
June	29—Do do 4, Incidental Expenses from February 2 to June 29, 1861.....		48 45
May	9—Do do 5, H. Leith, for framing three large pictures for Library.....		17 00
	10—Do do 6, Grand Tyler, Salary for February, and sundries during session of the Grand Lodge.....		42 50
	11—Do do 7, New Orleans Bee, advertising notices of Annual Communications of 1860 and 1861, in French and English.....		12 00
	30—Do do 8, J. R. Turck, for work done in Grand Secretary's office, and fitting up room for Grand Lodge Communication.....		71 30
	30—Do do 9, Bulletin Job Office, for printing Proceedings of Grand Lodge for 1861, and extra reports, etc.....		884 00
	31—Do do 10, John Douglas, for Parchment and printing Diplomas.....		75 05
June	4—Do do 11, H. R. Swasey, bill to date.....		61 35
	5—Do do 12, Grand Tyler, salary for March, April and May.....		45 00
	6—Do do 13, Thos. H. Shields, bill for Stationery.....		13 35
July	27—Do do 14, Wm. H. Stewart, bill for four tables for use of Grand Lodge, and one desk stool.....		9 50
August	1—Do do 15, Grand Tyler, salary for June and July.....		30 00
	Amount forwarded.....		<u>\$ 2159 50</u>

Amount brought forward.....			\$ 2159 50
September 10—Warrant No. 16, New Orleans Gas Light Co., in full for May, June, July, and August, for Polar Star Lodge Hall.....			48 80
November 11—Do do 17, Grand Tyler, salary for August, September and October..			45 00
27—Do do 18, Incidental Expenses, from June 27 to date.....			23 00
December 9—Do do 19, Incidental Expenses, from November 27 to date.....			26 00
			<u>\$ 2,302 30</u>

1861.

## ON ACCOUNT OF GRAND LODGE HALL.

February	6—Warrant No. 1, Alex. Boulet, balance in full for painting Ball Room.....		\$ 340 00
	9—Do do 2, J. R. Turck, on account contract for fitting up new rooms..		500 00
	16—Do do 3, Alex. Boulet, for painting and decorating new rooms, 3d story.....		590 00
	16—Do do 4, Bills Payable, Perfect Union No. 1, on account of amount borrowed from them.....		573 00
March	8—Do do 5, Bills Payable, Gallier & Estorbhook, balance for putting new story over ball room.....		3,600 00
April	9—Do do 6, D. Hill, for repairs and alterations of gas fixtures in sundry parts of hall.....		88 73
	9—Do do 7, D. Hill, for fitting up gas fixtures, new chandeliers, etc., for new rooms in 3d story.....		442 07
	13—Do do 8, True Delta, for advertising hall to rent.....		24 00
	23—Do do 9, Water Works Co., water rent for hall for 1861.....		30 00
May	10—Do do 10, Hall Keeper, salary for February, and sundries.....		76 25
	30—Do do 12, J. R. Turck, for sundry repairs to hall.....		30 50
	30—Do do 13, Assistant Grand Secretary, salary for February, March and April.....		180 00
	29—Do do 14, New Orleans Gas Light Co., in full for January, February, March and April.....		475 25
	30—Do do 15, H. Doane, premium on insurance.....		85 00
	30—Do do 16, J. R. Turck, balance on contract for fitting up new rooms..		1,704 90
	30—Do do 17, J. R. Turck, old bill for sundry repairs to hall.....		195 35
	31—Do do 18, Alex. Trelford, for repairs to roof of hall.....		167 72
	31—Do do 19, Haller & Bro., for repairs to valleys and gutters of hall....		215 88
	31—Do do 20, D. Hill, for gas fitting and repairs to date.....		99 15
	31—Do do 21, S. E. Moore & Co., for water coolers, etc., for new rooms..		42 95
	31—Do do 22, Watkins & Homan, for carpets and upholstery work in new rooms, 3d story.....		950 70
	31—do do 23, Wm. Sommer, for repairing and refitting gas pipes during the year 1860.....		104 80
June	4—Do do 24, F. Belcher, for patent gas regulator.....		40 00
	4—Do do 25, S. M. Todd, amount of bill to date.....		185 75
	4—Do do 26, Crescent Office, in full for advertising to date.....		49 50
	4—Do do 27, Sun Mutual Insurance Co., premium on insurance.....		100 00
July	2—Do do 28, Louisiana Mutual Insurance Co., premium on insurance...		100 00
	3—Do do 29, New Orleans Mutual Insurance Co., premium on insurance.		100 00
	9—Do do 30, Sampson & Keen, for one rose wood centre table, for new rooms, 3d story.....		28 00
	17—Do do 31, Merchants' Mutual Insurance Co., premium on insurance..		90 00
August	7—Do do 32, H. McCloskey & Co., cleaning privies.....		20 00

Amount forwarded.....\$11,229 50

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Amount brought forward.....			\$11,229 50
September 10—	Warrant No. 33,	New Orleans Gas Light Co., in full for May, June, July and August .....	69 60
10—Do	do	34, Hall Keeper, salary for March.....	75 00
28—Do	do	35, Edward Barnett, notary's fees, for mortgage in favor of John G. Grant.....	12 50
October 10—Do	do	36, Hall Keeper, salary for April.....	75 00
November 14—Do	do	37, Bills Payable, Sampson & Keen, for note of \$666 70, and interest .....	742 25
			<u>\$12,203 85</u>
[K. & O. K.]			

SAM'L G. RISK, *Grand Secretary, in Account Current with the*  
M. W. GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

1861.			DR.
February 5—	To Cash received from Los Amigos del Orden No. 5, on account.....		\$116 00
Do	do	Acacia No. 116, in full.....	41 00
Do	do	Excelsior U. D., in full.....	39 00
Do	do	Eastern Star No. 151, in full .....	105 75
Do	do	Marion No. 68, rent for January.....	15 00
Do	do	H. McCloskey & Co., rent for February.....	125 00
Do	do	McCerran, Landry & Co., rent for February.....	166 65
6—Do	do	St. James No. 47, on account.....	74 00
Do	do	Kissatchie No. 156, on account.....	34 00
Do	do	Napoleon No. 94, in full.....	32 00
7—Do	do	Hiram No. 70, in full.....	106 00
8—Do	do	Mount Moriah No. 77, in full.....	32 75
Do	do	Shreveport No. 115, in full.....	65 00
Do	do	Milford No. 117, on account.....	41 00
9—Do	do	Franklin No. 57, on account.....	57 00
Do	do	Lafayette No. 87, in full .....	78 75
Do	do	Thomas Jefferson No. 113, in full.....	6 82
Do	do	Ocean No. 144, in full .....	80 00
Do	do	Red Land No. 148, in full.....	43 00
Do	do	Lafayette No. 56, in full .....	74 75
Do	do	Franklinton No. 101, in full.....	61 86
Do	do	Houma No. 139, in full.....	39 00
Do	do	St. Albans No. 28, in full.....	71 00
Do	do	Mount Vernon No. 83, in full.....	20 00
Do	do	M. Berger, for use of ball room .....	210 00
11—Do	do	Anacoco No. 147, in full .....	40 00
Do	do	Many No. 88, on account.....	25 00
Do	do	Burnsville No. 162, in full.....	65 75
Do	do	Hermitage No. 98, in full.....	65 00
Do	do	Bartholomew No. 112, in full .....	60 75
Do	do	Harry Hill No. 134, in full.....	41 00
Do	do	Cloutierville No. 103, in full.....	19 00
Do	do	Trinity No. 105, in full .....	14 00
Do	do	Foyer Maçonnique No. 44 in full.....	87 00
Do	do	Kellertown No. 124, in full.....	52 75

Amount forwarded..... \$2,205 58

Amount brought forward.....			\$2,205 58
February 11—	To Cash received from Morganza No. 159, on account.....		30 00
	Do do Castor No. 109, in full .....		29 00
	Do do Perseverance No. 4, in full.....		36 00
	Do do Henderson No. 99, in full .....		20 00
	Do do Springhill No. 127, in full .....		62 75
	Do do Montgomery U. D., in full .....		23 75
	Do do W. P. Coleman, rent for Dec. '60 and Jan. '61.....		200 00
12—	Do do Mount Gerizim No. 54, in full.....		42 75
	Do do Tunica No. 63, in full.....		29 00
	Do do Monticello No. 92, in full.....		91 75
	Do do St. Helena No. 96, in full.....		89 00
	Do do Deerfield No. 120, in full.....		42 00
	Do do Darlington No. 149, in full.....		48 00
13—	Do do Providence No. 50, in full.....		63 00
	Do do Harrisonburg No. 110, in full.....		37 00
	Do do Cool Spring No. 140, on account.....		47 00
	Do do Fillmore No. 154, in full .....		48 00
16—	Do do Union Fraternal No. 53, in full.....		43 75
	Do do Downsville No. 143, in full.....		50 00
18—	Do do De Soto No. 55, on account.....		64 00
19—	Do do Constantine No. 119, in full.....		65 00
21—	Do do Vienna No. 106, on account .....		65 00
	Do do Mount Lebanon No. 104, in full.....		21 00
	Do do James Saunders, rent of Ladies' Parlor.....		15 00
24—	Do do Concorde Chapter, extra night meeting.....		5 00
	Do do Polar Star Chapter, extra day meeting.....		3 00
March 4—	Do do Morganza No. 159, on account.....		52 00
	Do do H. McCloskey & Co., rent for March.....		125 00
	Do do McCerren, Landry & Co., rent for March.....		166 65
6—	Do do Olive No. 52, on account.....		103 00
7—	Do do P. Clissey, rent for March.....		30 00
	Do do Marion No. 68, rent for February.....		15 00
8—	Do do Morganza No. 159, in full .....		10 00
	Do do Dawson No. 129, on account.....		48 00
21—	Do do Jas. Saunders, rent of Ladies' Parlor.....		15 00
April 2—	Do do DeWitt Clinton No. 80, on account.....		70 00
	Do do Homer No. 152, in full .....		81 00
	Do do Lake Charles No. 165, in full .....		18 00
	Do do Pearl River No. 125, in full .....		59 75
	Do do Haynesville No. 169, in full.....		10 00
	Do do Mackey No. 122, on account.....		48 00
5—	Do do Marion No. 68, rent for March.....		15 00
	Do do H. McCloskey & Co., rent for April.....		125 00
	Do do McCerren, Landry & Co., rent for April.....		166 65
8—	Do do Mackey No. 122, in full .....		1 75
13—	Do do Orleans Commandery No. 3, 1 year's rent in advance..		200 00
22—	Do do James Saunders, rent of Ladies' Parlor.....		15 00
	Do do Baptist Tabernacle Church, rent for three months, ending January 31, 1861 .....		180 00
26—	Do do Warren No. 132, on account .....		26 00
	Do do Plains No. 135, in full.....		57 00

Amount forwarded..... \$5,114 13

Amount brought forward.....			\$5,114 13
May	3—To Cash received from H. McCloskey & Co., rent for May.....		125 00
	4—Do do Louisiana No. 102, rent for January, February, March and April .....		60 00
	22—Do do James Saunders, rent of Ladies' Parlor.....		15 00
	24—Do do H. McCloskey & Co., rent for June.....		125 00
	25—Do do McCerren & Landry, rent for May.....		166 65
	28—Do do John G. Grant, on mortgage note for \$7,000.....	6,020 00	
June	4—Do do Friends of Harmony No. 58, rent to April 30, 1861.....		60 00
	14—Do do Polar Star Chapter No. 21, on account of old balance of rent .....		61 30
	18—Do do Jackson No. 45, in full .....		42 00
	19—Do do Supreme Council 33d, for expense of meeting.....		26 50
	21—Do do James Saunders, rent in full to July 1.....		20 00
	24—Do do Grosse Tete No. 157, in full.....		45 00
July	1—Do do Leidertafel Music Society, rent for May and June.....		20 00
	3—Do do McCerren & Landry, rent for June.....		166 65
	Do do W. P. Coleman, on account rent of July.....		50 00
	5—Do do H. McCloskey & Co., rent of July.....		125 00
	10—Do do Polar Star Lodge Hall, for rent and gas consumed by military companies.....		28 50
	27—Do do Polar Star Lodge Hall, for gas consumed by military companies.....		14 00
	29—Do do Leidertafel Music Society, rent of July .....		10 00
August	2—Do do Leidertafel Society, for extra meetings.....		6 00
	7—Do do H. McCloskey & Co., rent for August.....		125 00
September	3—Do do H. McCloskey & Co., rent for September.....		125 00
	10—Do do W. P. Coleman, in full for rent of July.....		50 00
	Do do W. W. Coleman, on account rent of August.....		25 00
	Do do McCerren & Landry, on account rent of July.....		100 00
	17—Do do Leidertafel Music Society, rent of August.....		10 00
	28—Do do Leidertafel Music Society, rent of September.....		10 00
October	9—Do do H. McCloskey & Co., rent for October.....		125 00
	15—Do do McCerren & Landry, in full for rent of July.....		66 65
November	4—Do do P. Clissey, rent for November.....		30 00
	6—Do do Leidertafel Society, rent for October .....		10 00
	Do do McCerren & Landry, rent for August.....		166 65
	7—Do do W. P. Coleman, rent for Nov. (new lease).....		75 00
	12—Do do Polar Star Lodge Hall, for gas consumed by military companies.....		20 00
	16—Do do O. Platosz, for use of ball room .....		10 00
December	4—Do do McCerren & Landry, rent for Nov. new lease.....		125 00
	Do do W. P. Coleman, rent for December.....		75 00
	Do do Dudley No. 66, rent for January, February, March and April.....		60 00
	9—Do do P. Clissey, rent for December.....		20 00
	11—Do do Dudley No. 66, in full for rent of 1861.....		120 00
	13—Do do Wm. Wren, rent of Ladies' Parlor.....		10 00
	14—Do do Leidertafel Society, rent for November .....		10 00
	Do do 26 Diplomas issued, as per certificates .....		65 00
	Do do Brokerage saved on loan from Jno. G. Grant.....		70 00
	31—Do do Huntington No. 141, in full.....		44 00

Amount forwarded.....\$13,845 03



Amount brought forward.....	\$13,848 03	
December 31—To Cash received from Rapides No. 153, in full.....	48 72	
Do do Charters for Excelsior No. 166, Linn Wood No. 167, Montgomery No. 168, Haynesville No. 169, and Silencio No. 9.....	225 00	
1861.		
February 16—By amount paid S M. Todd, Grand Treasurer, as per receipt.....	1,700 00	
March 8— do do do do .....	1,500 00	
April 8— do do do do .....	536 00	
November 27— do do do do .....	8,295 85	
December 15— do do do do .....	329 80	
31—By salary as Grand Secretary, for 1861.....	1,500 00	
By balance due Grand Lodge.....	260 10	
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	\$14,121 75	\$14,121 75
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1862—January 1—To balance due by Grand Secretary.....	260 10	
[E. & O. E.]		

On motion, the report was adopted.

The following report from the Grand Treasurer was read and referred to the Committee on Audit and Accounts :

HARMON DOANE, *Grand Treasurer, in Account Current with the*

M. W. GRAND LODGE OF LOUISIANA:

1862.	Dr.	
Jan. 13—To Cash received from S. M. Todd, late Grand Treasurer.....	\$ 330 65	
28—Do do do S. M. Todd, Grand Secretary.....	1,009 00	
Feb. 1—Do do do S. M. Todd, Grand Secretary.....	1,048 19	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,378 84
1862.	CONTRA.	Cr.
Jan. 27—By Warrant No. 20, on account of Grand Lodge.....	\$ 50 00	
By Warrants Nos. 38, 39 and 40, on account of Grand Lodge Hall .....	1,194 25	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,244 25
Feb. 1—To balance in Louisiana State Bank, this day.....		\$ 1,134 59

[E. & O. E.]

Fraternally submitted,

NEW ORLEANS, February 1, 1862.

HARMON DOANE,  
*Grand Treasurer.*

The Grand Secretary then read the following report :

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

BRETHREN:—Having been called upon by the W. M. Grand Master to assume the duties of the office left vacant by the sudden death of our late worthy Grand Secretary, it has become my duty to lay before you a statement of the official business of this office since the last Annual Communication.

Soon after the close of the Annual Communication of 1861, fifteen hundred copies of the Proceedings were printed and supplied to the Lodges of this State, and to such of our sister jurisdictions as we were able to communicate with. A large number are left on hand, in the office, owing to the difficulty of transmitting by the usual mail routes. For the present year I think that 1500 copies will be amply sufficient, and doubtless, it will be thought advisable to leave out much of the matter usually printed with our Proceedings, enabling us to practice an economy in accordance with the times.

Charters have been issued to the following Lodges as ordered :

SILENCIO No. 9.....New Orleans.  
 EXCELSIOR No. 166.....New Orleans.  
 LINN WOOD No. 167.....City of Jefferson, Jefferson Parish, La.  
 MONTGOMERY No. 168.....Montgomery, Winn Parish, La.  
 HAYNESVILLE No. 169.....Haynesville, Claiborne Parish, La.

All whom have been legally consecrated and constituted, and the returns made to this office by the deputies appointed by the M. W. Grand Master for that purpose.

Only one Dispensation has been granted during the past year, and that to a number of Brethren belonging to the 7th Louisiana Regiment, Col. H. T. Hays, then and now at the seat of war in Virginia ; of this Lodge Bro. A. S. HERON was constituted W. M., JOHN H. NEW, S. W., and S. H. GILMAN, J. W. The fee was not paid at the time of the issuance of the dispensation, but was left an open matter for the decision of the Grand Lodge.

PLEASANT HILL LODGE No. 86 AND LIVONIA LODGE No. 91.—Neither of these Lodges have complied with the requirements and regulations of this Grand Lodge, although both of them were officially notified of the resolution of this Grand Lodge in their favor, passed at the last session.

FRIENDSHIP LODGE No. 114.—The Committee on Chartered Lodges having reported in favor of the return of the Charter of this Lodge,

D. D. G. M. John C. Jones, was authorized to wind up the affairs of the Lodge. On December 12, 1861, he forwarded returns of this Lodge for 1860, made out by him in accordance with the instruction forwarded to him. I have, since that time, written to R. W. Bro. Jones, giving him the *pro rata* amount due by each member, upon the payment of which he would be entitled to a certificate of good standing.

The Brethren residing in the Parish of Sabine, who had applied last year for a Dispensation to open a Lodge to be called "Goodson Lodge," have withdrawn their application, on account of the unsettled state of affairs in that parish, owing to the present war.

ST. JOSEPH LODGE No. 79.—This Lodge has failed to make any returns for the years 1860 and 1861. The W. Master having removed out of the State, Bro. Julius Aroni, the last S. W. has been twice written to in reference to the condition of the Lodge; once by W. Bro. Risk, in March, 1861, and by myself in January, 1862, in the hope that he might be able to resuscitate the Lodge, and restore it to its former prosperous condition.

Bro. Aroni answers under date of 4th instant, drawing a very gloomy picture of the condition of this Lodge. No officers have been elected for the last two years, and nothing else, it seems, can be done but for the Grand Lodge to withdraw its charter and wind up its affairs.

SOLOMON LODGE No. 130.—This Lodge was so unfortunate as to lose their worthy Secretary, Bro. T. M. Evans, who was blown up on the steamboat Kentucky, last summer. The death of this officer prevented the returns of this Lodge being made with its usual punctuality.

GERMANIA LODGE No. 46.—This Lodge has submitted a new code of By-Laws, adopted in November last, which, being in the German language, have been placed in the hands of P. G. M. Holland, for translation.

CONSTANTINE LODGE No. 119.—This Lodge has formally dissolved its organization, and returned its charter, books, jewels, and other property belonging to the Lodge, with a statement of its liabilities and assets. The W. M. asks that some one in the vicinity of the Lodge be appointed to collect the amount due by members.

PHENIX LODGE No. 38.—This Lodge is still indebted for the dues of 1860, for the payment of which an extension of time was given to

them last year. They have made their returns and paid dues for the year 1861.

DE SOTO LODGE No. 55.—This Lodge has made returns for the year 1861, but have made no election of officers for the present year. They have adopted resolutions to surrender charter.

NAPOLEON LODGE No. 94.—This Lodge has sent up a recommendation to reinstate Bro. J. G. Hollis, suspended by the Grand Lodge in 1857.

MACKEY LODGE No. 122.—Bro. John R. Carr, who was expelled by this Lodge, has made an appeal to the Grand Lodge, asking for a new trial. The papers in this case are ready for the Committee on Appeals and Grievances.

ATCHAFALAYA LODGE No. 163.—An appeal has also been taken by James Callahan against the action of this Lodge in a trial for unmasonic conduct, by which he was ordered to be reprimanded.

MOUNT GERIZIM LODGE No. 54 AND HARRY HILL LODGE No. 134.—These two Lodges have agreed to unite, the members of Harry Hill Lodge surrendering the charter of that Lodge, and becoming members of Mt. Gerizim No. 54, and ask the sanction of the Grand Lodge to their action.

JOHN TOURO vs. LOUISIANA LODGE No. 102.—This case was continued to this session, from last year, on account of the absence of witnesses.

LOUISIANA RELIEF LODGE No. 1.—This Lodge has pursued the even tenor of its way, as in former years; notwithstanding the hardness of the times, it has continued to extend relief to the worthy, with careful discrimination. A report has been made by its officers in accordance with the regulations of the Grand Lodge.

There are many Lodges who are indebted for back dues and Grand Lodge Hall tax, a full enumeration of which will be found on reference to the trial balance accompanying this report, to which, and to the account current herewith submitted, I respectfully ask the attention of the Committee on Accounts.

I present to the Grand Lodge the resolutions adopted by Lafayette Lodge No. 87, and Olive Lodge No. 52, on the death of our late Grand Secretary, Samuel G. Risk.

We have now under our jurisdiction 112 Chartered Lodges, and one Military Lodge Under Dispensation.

The returns have come into this office much later than ever before, only twenty-five Lodges having made returns and paid their dues within the time prescribed by the Grand Lodge By-Laws.

The following fifty-six Lodges are all that have made their returns and paid their dues up to this evening :

LODGES WHICH HAVE MADE RETURNS AND PAID THEIR DUES.

Polar Star.....	No. 1	Mount Lebanon.....	No. 104
Concorde.....	" 3	Trinity .....	" 105
Los Amigos del Orden..	" 5	Vienna .....	" 106
St. Andrew .....	" 5	Bartholomew .....	" 112
Humble Cottage.....	" 19	Acacia.....	" 116
Feliciana.....	" 31	Milford .....	" 117
Germania .....	" 46	Deerfield .....	" 120
St. James.....	" 47	Mackey.....	" 122
Union Fraternal .....	" 53	Pearl River .....	" 125
Lafayette .....	" 56	Solomon .....	" 130
Franklin .....	" 57	Gordy .....	" 133
Friends of Harmony....	" 58	Harry Hill.....	" 134
Mount Moriah.....	" 59	Plains .....	" 135
George Washington....	" 65	Houma .....	" 139
Dudley .....	" 66	Ocean .....	" 144
Marion .....	" 68	Silent Brotherhood....	" 146
Hiram .....	" 70	Darlington .....	" 149
Alpha Home.....	" 72	Perkins .....	" 150
Sabine.....	" 75	Saints John .....	" 153
Quitman .....	" 76	Fillmore .....	" 154
Orleans .....	" 78	Cherry Ridge.....	" 155
Lafayette .....	" 87	Kissatchie .....	" 156
Thibodaux Benevolent..	" 90	Livingston .....	" 160
Monticello .....	" 92	Brookville.....	" 161
Napoleon .....	" 94	Atchafalaya .....	" 163
Hermitage .....	" 98	Lake Charles ...	" 165
Henderson .....	" 99	Excelsior .....	" 166
Clontierville.....	" 103	Linn Wood.....	" 167

The following Lodges have made their returns, but have not yet paid their dues :

Silencio.....	No. 9	Lisbon.....	No. 121
St. Albans.....	" 28	Kellertown.....	" 124
Jackson.....	" 45	Arcadia.....	" 126
Minden.....	" 51	Athens.....	" 136
Olive.....	" 52	Huntington.....	" 141
De Soto.....	" 55	Downsville.....	" 143
Western Star.....	" 61	Hope.....	" 145
Oliver.....	" 84	Anacoco.....	" 147
Many.....	" 88	Red Land.....	" 148
Cypress.....	" 89	Eastern Star.....	" 151
St. Helena.....	" 96	Grosse Tete.....	" 157
Sparta.....	" 108	Burnsville.....	" 162
Urim.....	" 111	Montgomery.....	" 168
Thomas Jefferson.....	" 113		

And the following Lodges have neither made returns nor paid their dues :

Perfect Union.....	No. 1	Shreveport.....	No. 115
Perseverance.....	" 4	Terryville.....	" 118
Foyer Maçonnique.....	" 44	Springhill.....	" 127
Providence.....	" 50	Dawson.....	" 129
Mount Gerizim.....	" 54	Warren.....	" 132
Tunica.....	" 63	Cool Spring.....	" 140
Mount Moriah.....	" 77	Darlington.....	" 149
De Witt Clinton.....	" 80	Homer.....	" 152
Mount Vernon.....	" 83	Rapides.....	" 158
Franklinton.....	" 101	Morganza.....	" 159
Louisiana.....	" 102	Columbia.....	" 164
Castor.....	" 109	Haynesville.....	" 169
Harrisonburg.....	" 110	Pelican.....	" U. D.

At the last Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge Bro. J. C. BACHELOR, submitted the following as an amendment to the Grand Lodge By Laws.

"The Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary of this Grand Lodge shall each execute a bond satisfactory to the Grand Master, in the full sum of five thousand dollars, to this Grand Lodge, within ten days after their election and installation, for the faithful performance of their duty."

All of which is fraternally submitted,

SAMUEL M. TODD, Grand Secretary.

On motion, the Grand Secretary's report was referred to the appropriate Standing Committees on the subjects therein reported.

The following report from the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was then read, and, on motion, was adopted, and ordered to be spread on the minutes, and printed with the Proceedings :

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Correspondence have had before them the Proceedings and documents of the following Grand Lodges:

ALABAMA, of December, 1860.....	Received March 19, 1861.
NEW JERSEY, of January, 1861.....	“ March 23, 1861.
MICHIGAN, of January, 1861.....	“ February 15, 1861.
VERMONT, of January, 1861.....	“ April 20, 1861.
MISSISSIPPI, of January, 1861.....	“ May 23, 1861.
ARKANSAS, of November, 1861.....	“ January 26, 1862.
CONNECTICUT, of May, 1861.....	“ January 26, 1862.
FLORIDA, of January, 1861.....	“ September 2, 1861.
TEXAS, of June, 1861.....	“ February 1, 1862.
OHIO MASONIC CONSTITUTIONS, 1861.....	“ April 1, 1861.

#### ALABAMA.

The fortieth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Alabama was held at Montgomery, December 30th, 1860. M. W. Bro. Richard H. Ervin, Grand Master, in his address pays a feeling tribute to the memories of Brothers S. D. Moorer, Junior Grand Warden, and James A. Whitaker, Past Junior Grand Warden, both of whom had died during the year.

In referring to Lodges Under Dispensation, he says:

“I think it advisable to enforce the regulation to be found on page 76 of the printed Proceedings of 1851—that petitioners for a Dispensation should file with the Grand Secretary their demits, before a Dispensation should be issued by him, and thus prevent a habit of loaning names for the creation of new Lodges, as it is questionable if there are not now more Lodges than comports with the interest of Masonry, or than can maintain a healthy and true Masonic life.”

The Report on Correspondence is from the pen of Bro. L. B. Thornton, covering sixty pages of the printed Proceedings; this is a very

able report, reviewing, with great care, the Proceedings of thirty Grand Lodges, our own among the number. It copies, approvingly, some very flattering remarks in reference to the management of Louisiana Relief Lodge.

#### NEW JERSEY.

The seventy-fourth Grand Annual communication of this Grand Lodge was held at Trenton, on the 16th January, 1861.

The M. W. Grand Master, Isaac Van Wagoner, alluded in his address to the "unsettled state of the country," but believed that "the Masonic relations between the different portions thereof continued as firm, unchangeable, and enduring, as though no withering wind had swept over us."

The Report on Correspondence is an interesting document, several extracts are made from the Proceedings of our Grand Lodge in 1860, and favorably commented upon. They recommend the refunding to Louisiana Relief Lodge the sum of twenty-two dollars, which had been given in the two previous years to applicants for relief from that State.

#### MICHIGAN.

The Grand Lodge of Michigan was convened at Detroit, January 9th, 1861, P. G. M. ROBERT MORRIS, of Kentucky, was present, and exhorted the Brethren of that State, "that whatever results might follow the present fearful state of public feeling, even though the national fabric were to crumble and decay, and the people degenerate into civil war, the *Masonic tie* must not be broken, weakened, or affected."

But a brief period had elapsed since Bro. Morris addressed these words to his brethren of Michigan, when the fearful state of things he so much feared was a terrible reality, and Kentucky again became the "Dark and Bloody Ground of its ancient traditions."

#### VERMONT.

This Grand Lodge assembled in Burlington, on the 9th day of January, 1861. The opening address of Grand Master Philip C. Tucker is of such a character as might have been expected from this venerable and learned Brother. His feelings and prejudices are those of his section, but his whole heart is enlisted in the cause



to which so much of his life has been devoted—*MASONRY*; and we cannot, therefore, blame him for so ardently desiring the continuance of his much loved Union.

The Report on Correspondence is compiled with much care, and presents much interesting matter culled from the Proceedings of other Grand Lodges, "without intruding their own personal views upon matters which often perplex the wisest of the craft."

Since writing the above, we have learned that Grand Master Phillip C. Tucker died on the 10th April last. He had held the office of Grand Master fourteen years, having been first elected in 1847.

### MISSISSIPPI.

The M. W. Grand Lodge of Mississippi held its forty-third Annual Grand Communication, at Vicksburg, in January, 1861. In the absence of the Grand Master, Deputy and Wardens, Past Grand Master Tappan was called upon to preside.

Past Grand Master W. P. Mellen was received as the representative from the Grand Lodge of Louisiana with hearty welcome, and the assurance of the sincere wishes and co-operation of the "Grand Lodge of Mississippi" with this Grand Lodge "for the union, prosperity, and perpetuation of our useful, ancient and honorable Order."

It was decided that a non-affiliated Master Mason, "who refuses to pay dues to the Lodge nearest his place of residence, cannot become a member of a Lodge out of whose jurisdiction he resides."

We do not consider this to be good masonic law, but rather hold that "a master mason is not restricted in his application for membership within geographical limits."

We are sorry to miss the usual Report on Correspondence.

### ARKANSAS.

This Grand Lodge was convened at Little Rock, on the fourth day of November, 1861, fifty-nine Lodges being represented.

M. W. Bro. E. H. English, Grand Master, delivered a patriotic and spirit-stirring address to the Craft. He thus explains the reason of many of the Lodges being unrepresented :

"On looking over this hall I behold not the familiar faces of many brethren who sat here twelve months ago, and who, for many years before, were accustomed to bring up work for inspection at the Annual Convocations of the Craft. On hearing the roll of the workmen called, it appears that there are no voices to

respond for a number of the subordinate Lodges. Why are these brethren absent? Why are their Lodges unrepresented? The answer is in every mouth, with all its thrilling and momentous associations—‘They have laid aside the gavel, the trowel and the plumb-line, and taken up the sword; and, this night, their tents whiten many a plain, and their patriotic breasts help to form a living wall, to protect eleven States of a once glorious Union, from the invasion and desolation of the armies of a *man*, if he may be called such, who now desecrates the seat once occupied by the good and great Washington.’”

There was no report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

#### CONNECTICUT.

We have received the Proceedings of the Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge, held at Hartford, in May, 1861.

The address of Grand Master Howard B. Ensign is temperately written, and mainly confined to matters of local interest; he simply alludes to the scenes of war and turmoil through which our once happy country has and is now passing, and hopes that they will soon end. He says—

“Our Order is flourishing; our Lodges continue to enjoy their quiet meetings; strife enters not our well-guarded portals; politics and political differences are unknown among us.”

A form of petition was adopted in which the candidate for initiation declared that he was “a firm believer in the existence of a Supreme Being,” that “he had resided within the State for more than twelve months, and within the jurisdiction of the Lodge more than six months immediately preceding his application; also, that he had not then been rejected by any Lodge of Masons within the six months previous to his application.”

The Report on Correspondence is from the pen of the Grand Secretary, who, as usual, omits any mention of this Grand Lodge.

#### FLORIDA.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Florida was begun and held in the city of Tallahassee, January 14th, 1861.

M. W. Bro. D. C. Larkins was re-elected Grand Master, and W. Bro. John B. Taylor, Grand Secretary.

P. G. M. Thomas Brown was received as the Representative of this Grand Lodge.

The Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Florida, from its establishment in 1830 to 1860, have been reprinted in a bound volume of 880 pages—no doubt a very interesting work.

The Report on Correspondence is a brief summary of the proceedings of sister Grand Lodges.

#### TEXAS.

This Grand Lodge met in the City of Houston, on the 10th day of June, 1861. M. W. Grand Master John B. McMahon, in his address, says—

“Our long anticipated meeting in the ‘Bayou City’ has arrived, in the same place where, nearly a quarter of a century ago, this Grand Lodge was organized, with the Subordinates now numbering as many hundred. Then, with a small and narrow territory under settlement—now spreading in every direction to the uttermost bounds of our great State. At that time Texas had high hopes of being able to sustain herself through a bloody revolution; now we are about entering into another to sustain civil and religious liberty.”

A surplus of cash in the treasury was ordered to be invested in Confederate Bonds. Upon the election of a new Grand Treasurer, the P. G. Treasurer, A. Neill, was called upon by a committee to ascertain where the funds of the Grand Lodge were, but it appears that Bro. Neill refused to give the information sought, whereupon a resolution was adopted directing the G. Secretary to make a peremptory demand for “all funds, assets and money-vouchers in his hands.”

There was no Report on Correspondence, but a very interesting address was delivered by R. W. Bro. S. G. Newton, at the installation of Grand Officers.

#### OHIO.

We have been favored with a copy of the “Constitution, By-Laws, Rules and Code of Masonic Jurisprudence and Resolutions of the Grand Lodge of Ohio,” containing much useful matter in the way of forms, Masonic funeral service, and other ceremonies, making it altogether a very useful compilation.

With this brief review of the acts of other Grand Lodges that have been brought to their notice, your Committee close their labors with the hope that before another annual gathering of the Brethren of this Grand Lodge, fraternal intercourse shall have been reopened—not only with our sister Grand Lodges of this Confederacy, but with many foreign Grand Lodges.

Fraternally submitted,

SAMUEL M. TODD, Chairman.

The following report from Louisiana Relief Lodge No. 1 was then read, and, on motion, was received, and ordered to be printed with the Proceedings :

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

In accordance with the custom heretofore observed, on the return of another Annual Communication, Louisiana Relief Lodge No. 1 begs leave to present the following REPORT:

We have again to return our sincere and heartfelt thanks to our Supreme Grand Master for his loving-kindness in blessing our city with health during the past year, and keeping far from our midst the destroying pestilence. While the Relief Lodge has escaped the great personal exertion and increased expenditure, always accompanying an epidemic, other demands of a new and novel character have been imposed upon us.

Immediately on the secession of Louisiana from the old Union, many Brethren from the Northern States, then resident among us and unable to obtain employment, were desirous of returning to what they deemed a more congenial clime. Whenever the case was found worthy, relief was granted to enable the Brother to reach his home, as a reference to the annexed statistical table will show. After hostilities had commenced, the Relief Lodge adopted as a rule to grant no assistance to able-bodied men, who had no families depending upon them—believing that when our independence was at stake, it was the duty of all to defend it, and that, when no other means of support could be obtained, no good Mason would desire to eat the bread of idleness, while the opportunity was offered to him to enter the army, and protect the rights and honor of our country. Since that time our charities have been principally confined to widows and orphans, and cases of sickness. Relief has been granted in several instances to Masons in the army, who were unable, either from sickness or improvidence, to reach their homes or return to camp.

The subject of unaffiliated Masons, and female side degrees has been so often brought to the notice of this Grand Lodge, that it is superfluous to again repeat the numerous cases of both descriptions which are continually applying for relief. It is only necessary to say that the evil has not been abated.

In our last report it was stated that our Tomb had been renovated and an additional wing built, at a cost of \$1,500, of which amount \$1,000 had been paid, and a note of \$500 given for the balance. Doubts were expressed as to our ability to meet this note at maturity; but it is gratifying to state, that it was duly honored. There is another wing still to be built, before the structure will be completed according to the original design. But the idea of finishing the Tomb has been abandoned until the return of peace and resumption of business.

The "Ancient Charges" declare that "Masonry hath been always injured by war" and "ever flourished in times of peace." If any one ever doubted this truth, our present War of Independence must convince the most skeptical. Large numbers of the active members of our Lodges are absent on the tented field, and of those who remain at home, all who are able-bodied are members of volunteer companies. The Lodges have done little or no work during the past year. Their Treasuries have been exhausted, and the demands upon them for charity have been frequent and urgent. It is gratifying to state that notwithstanding the numerous other calls made upon them, the Contributing Lodges have made every effort to pay their dues to the Relief Lodge. Although our receipts have been materially reduced, and the usefulness of the Lodge thereby circumscribed, no worthy case has been turned empty away.

Our Secretary, Bro. A. DeSola, has prepared the following statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Relief Lodge, for the year 1861.

#### RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, January 1st, 1861.....	\$424 29
Orders in hands of Secretary, January 1st, 1861, since paid...	365 00
Received from Friends of Harmony Lodge No. 58.....	324 00
"    "    George Washington Lodge No. 65.....	300 00
"    "    Dudley Lodge No. 66.....	234 00
"    "    Marion Lodge No. 68.....	330 00
"    "    Alpha Home Lodge No. 72.....	100 00
"    "    Louisiana Lodge No. 102..	50 00
"    "    Ocean Lodge No. 144.....	192 00
	<hr/> \$ 2,319 29
Amount forwarded.....	\$ 2,319 29

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Amount brought forward.....	\$ 2,319 29	
Donation from Mount Moriah Lodge No. 44, St. Louis.....	\$ 20 00	
“ “ Council of High Priesthood.....	5 00	
“ “ Pelican Chapter Rose Croix No. 11; and Eagle Council K—H No. 6 .....	2 50	
“ “ Supreme Council of Charleston.....	2 40	
“ “ General Relief Committee, I. O. O. F.....	20 00	
“ “ P. G. M. Wm. M. Perkins .....	31 75	
		81 65
Returned by relatives of a Monte Videan Brother .....	65 00	
“ a Canadian Brother.....	10 00	
“ an Irish Brother.....	5 00	
		80 00
Received for use of Vaults.....		35 00
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	\$ 2515 94	
Total disbursements in 1861.....	1,619 00	
		896 94
Orders in hands of Secretary, not cashed.....		264 00
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Amount in Treasury, Dec. 31st, 1861.....	\$ 632 94	

## DISBURSEMENTS.

## SOUTHERN CONFEDERACY.

To applicants from Alabama .....	\$ 10 00	
“ “ Georgia.....	30 00	
“ “ Kentucky .....	10 00	
“ “ Mississippi.....	60 00	
“ “ Missouri .....	30 00	
“ “ South Carolina.....	40 00	
“ “ Texas.....	279 00	
“ “ Virginia.....	35 00	
		494 00

## UNITED STATES.

To applicants from Connecticut.....	\$ 10 00	
“ “ Illinois .....	15 00	
“ “ Indiana.....	45 00	
“ “ New York.....	29 50	
“ “ Pennsylvania.....	35 00	
“ “ Wisconsin.....	10 00	
		144 50
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Amount forwarded.....	\$ 638 50	

Amount brought forward.....\$ 638 50

EUROPE, ETC.

To applicants from Ireland.....	\$ 17 00	
“ “ France .....	10 00	
“ “ Monte Video, S. A.....	65 00	
“ “ Nova Scotia*.....	10 00	
“ “ St. Thomas, W. I.*.....	10 00	
		112 00
To Masons of Louisiana.....	\$ 106 00	
To Widows and Orphans of Louisiana.....	135 00	
		241 00
Note for addition and repairs of Tomb .....	\$ 500 00	
Tomb expenses.....	18 50	
		518 50
Secretary's Salary for 1861.....	60 00	
Tyling, Printing, Stationery, Postage, etc.....	49 00	
Total disbursements for 1861.....	\$ 1,619 00	

RECAPITULATION OF DISBURSEMENTS.

To Masons of Louisiana.....	\$ 106 00	
“ Southern Confederacy.....	145 00	
“ United States.....	94 50	
“ other foreign jurisdictions.....	112 00	
		457 50
To Widows and Orphans of Louisiana.....	135 00	
“ “ Southern Confederacy.....	349 00	
“ “ United States.....	50 00	
		534 00
Note paid for addition to tomb.....	500 00	
Tomb expenses.....	18 50	
		518 50
Secretary's Salary, Printing, Tyling, etc.....	109 00	
Total disbursements.....	\$ 1,619 00	

We have again to return our thanks to several Masonic bodies for the sympathy and assistance extended by them to us. By referring to our receipts, it will be seen that their sympathy was not confined to words, and the material aid bestowed, testified their appreciation of our “work.”

\* Lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of England.

Past Grand Master Wm. M. Perkins, has again presented to the Lodge, his annual donation of \$31 75, thereby proving the same interest in our success which he has always exhibited since the formation of the Relief Lodge.

Two Brethren of other Jurisdictions have returned the amounts granted them, and the relatives of a deceased brother re-imbursed the Lodge, for the expenses attendant upon his last sickness and funeral. Cases like these stand out like an oasis in the desert, and encourage us to persevere in our labors. For it is a consolation to know that among the many applicants for relief that some are truly worthy, and are not unmindful of their plighted faith.

Hoping that our "work" may always be such as will merit a continuance of the approbation of the Grand Lodge, this report is respectfully and fraternally submitted on behalf of the Lodge.

JAMES B. SCOT, W. M.

*La. Relief Lodge No. 1.*

The following supplementary report from the Committee on Credentials was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report that Polar Star Lodge No. 1 has made her returns and paid her dues, and her delegates are therefore entitled to seats, as follows :

POLAR STAR.....No. 1—A. R. Morel, W. M.

Charles Claiborne, S. W.

F. Levasseur, J. W.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. CATLIN,

S. D. OLIVER,

JOSEPH P. HORROR,

} Committee.

The following report from the Board of Directors of the Grand Lodge Hall, was then read :

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Board of Directors of the Grand Lodge Masonic Hall respectfully present their Ninth Annual Report.



In the month of May last the claims against the Hall for alterations, repairs, etc., were so pressingly urgent that it became necessary to raise money by a mortgage of this property ; this loan was effected by the President of the Board, of Mr. John G. Grant, in the sum of seven thousand dollars, at the rate of 13 per cent., for twelve months, the several parties holding claims against the building agreeing to deduct 5 per cent. from the amounts due them, thus reducing the rate of interest allowed to 8 per cent.

On the expiration of the leases held by Messrs. McCerren & Landry, and W. P. Coleman, these parties declined taking new leases at the same rent as heretofore paid by them, it was therefore thought best to reduce the rent for the present year; accordingly a new lease was given to Messrs. McCerren & Landry for the year ending October 31st, 1862, for \$1,500, and a lease given to W. P. Coleman and T. B. Bodley for \$900 for same length of time.

The following amounts have been collected for rent since the last Annual Communication :

From Messrs. H. McCloskey & Co.....	\$ 1,125 00
“ “ McCerren & Landry.....	1,708 15
“ “ Coleman & Bodley.....	625 00
“ Various Masonic bodies, etc.....	1,403 97
“ Various parties.....	781 00
	<hr/> \$ 5,643 12

The following amounts are due and unpaid :

W. P. Coleman.....	\$ 675 00
Wm. Armstrong, (since 1856).....	115 00
H. Ruffier, (judgment).....	450 00
Baptist Congregation.....	189 00
Polar Star R. A. C. No. 21.....	105 20
Alpha Home Lodge No. 72.....	180 00
Quitman Lodge No. 76.....	194 00
Excelsior Lodge No. 166.....	163 00
Louisiana Lodge No. 102.....	120 00
Orleans Lodge No. 178.....	177 50
Councils R. & S. M. ....	50 00
	<hr/> \$ 2,443 70

The greater part of these amounts will doubtless be realized during the present year.

Several of the Masonic bodies occupying the upper central rooms have made payments, in advance, of their rent.

Insurance has been effected on the Grand Lodge Hall for \$50,000, and upon the furniture, library, fixtures, &c., contained in the Hall, \$9,000 more.

The Grand Lodge is indebted to Masonic bodies in the following sums, for which notes are held, drawing 8 per cent. interest from date:

Feb. 5, 1855, Marion Lodge No. 68.....	\$ 1,000 00
Feb. 5, 1855, Hermitage Lodge No. 98.....	500 00
Feb. 5, 1860, Orleans Lodge No. 78.....	1,000 00
Feb. 5, 1855, Friends of Harmony No. 58.....	500 00
June 8, 1858, " " " .....	100 00
Perfect Union Lodge No. 1.....	1,000 00
Jan. 13, 1862, George Washington Lodge No. 65.....	1,000 00
Jan. 5, 1859, Orleans R. A. C. No. 1.....	3,000 00
Jan. 4, 1856, Delta R. A. C. No. 15. ....	500 00
March 2, 1857, " " " .....	500 0
March 22, 1861, Polar Star Lodge No. 1.....	1,000 00
" " " " " .....	1,000 00
" " " " " .....	1,000 00
" " " " " .....	500 00
" " " " " .....	558 10
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	\$13,158 10
Also, Note in favor of John G. Grant, due 28th and 31st May, 1862...	7,000 00
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	\$20,158 10

Fraternally submitted,

SAMUEL M. TODD, Grand Secretary.

FEB. 10th, 1862.

On motion the report was adopted, and ordered to be spread upon the minutes.

On motion of Bro. S. O. SCRUGGS, a special committee was appointed, consisting of Bros. S. O. Scruggs, J. H. Holland and J. C. Gordy, to report suitable resolutions on the death of Past Deputy Grand Master THOS. H. LEWIS.

By order of the M. W. Grand Master the Grand Secretary proceeded to read the Minutes of an Extra-

ordinary Session of the M. W. Grand Lodge held in the Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, New Orleans, December 29, 1861, on the occasion of the funeral of our late Brother Grand Secretary SAMUEL G. RISK.

On motion the proceedings were adopted as read.

On motion of Bro. SAMUEL J. POWELL, the proceedings of the Extraordinary Session were ordered to be printed with the proceedings of the present session of the M. W. Grand Lodge, in connection with the report of the Committee at said session appointed, when the same shall be presented.

The M. W. Grand Lodge was then called off until half-past six o'clock to-morrow (Tuesday) evening.

(Signed)

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, Grand Master.

A. G. CARTER, Deputy Grand Master.

JOHN C. GORDY, Senior Grand Warden.

SAM'L J. POWELL, Junior Grand Warden, *p. t.*

GRAND LODGE HALL,  
NEW ORLEANS, TUESDAY, Feb. 11th, 1862. }

The M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, was called to labor this evening, in the Third Degree, at half-past 6 o'clock, the following

**OFFICERS PRESENT:**

J. Q. A. FELLOWS .....	M. W. Grand Master.
A. G. CARTER .....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
JOHN C. GORDY .....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
SAMUEL J. POWELL .....	as R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
HARMON DOANE .....	W. Grand Treasurer.
SAMUEL M. TODD .....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES, D. D. ....	W. Grand Chaplain.
S. I. GUILLET .....	as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
NELSON KEYES .....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
D. E. SCRUGGS ..	W. Grand Marshal.
J. D. CATLIN .....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
W. W. RISHER .....	as W. Grand Pursuivant.
JOHN BOOTH .....	as
THOS. SUPPLE .....	as
F. D. BUGEL .....	as
ANGEL MARTIN .....	as
JAMES B. SCOT .....	W. Grand Tyler.

The roll of Lodges being called, the following were found to be represented :

Nos. 3. L. o. 5, 31, 47, 52, 57, 58, 59, 63, 65. 66, 68, 72, 87, 90, 92, 101, 103, 105, 112, 124, 130, 134, 144, 149, 150, 153, 160, 163, 165. Total—30 Chartered Lodges.

Past Grand Master JOHN H. HOLLAND, being announced, was admitted, received, and conducted to the East with appropriate honors.

The minutes of the session of Monday, February 10th, were then read and approved.

The Grand Secretary then submitted the following report :

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

BRETHREN—I have to report to you that since the session of last evening, St. Alban's Lodge No. 28, Olive Lodge No. 52, Kellertown Lodge No. 124, and Huntington Lodge No. 141, which had previously made their returns, have paid their dues.

Tunica Lodge No. 63, Franklinton Lodge No. 101, and Columbia Lodge No. 164, have made their returns and paid their dues.

Dawson Lodge No. 129, Homer Lodge No. 152, and Haynesville Lodge No. 169, have made their returns but have not paid their dues.

• Fraternally submitted,

SAMUEL M. TODD, Grand Secretary.

On motion, the report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Credentials submitted the following report, which was read, and, on motion, adopted :

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following Brethren as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge, viz.:

TUNICA.....	No. 63—H. Hobgood, W. M.	
	John J. Seeders, S. W.	
	W. B. White, J. W.	
ST. ALBANS.....	No. 28—W. T. Rogillio, W. M.	} Alfred Hazard, proxy for all.
	F. V. D. Hagaman, S. W.	
	M. Oppenheimer, J. W.	
FRANKLINTON.....	No. 101—C. P. Bailey, W. M.	
	H. T. Burkhalter, S. W.	
	J. A. Erwin, J. W.	
KELLERTOWN.....	No. 124—A. J. Norwood, W. M.	
	Clement Gore, S. W.	
	S. J. Norwood, J. W.	

- HUNTINGTON.....No. 141—D. B. Doyle, W. M.  
   J. B. Hamilton, S. W.  
   P. P. Bates, J. W.
- COLUMBIA.....No. 164—R. M. Searcy, W. M.  
   John F. Varner, S. W.  
   Jesse J. Butler, J. W.
- VIENNA.....No. 106—Edward Barnett, proxy for all.
- OLIVE.....No. 52—G. W. Munday, W. M. (J. B. Smith,  
   George H. Packwood, S. W.     (proxy.)  
   E. W. Barnes, J. W.
- HOUMA.....No. 139—H. M. Crenshaw, proxy for all.
- DARLINGTON.....No. 149—Amos Kent, proxy for S. W.

Fraternally submitted,

J. D. CATLIN,	} Committee.
S. D. OLIVER,	
JOS. P. HORNOR,	

The Committee on Audit and Accounts submitted the following report, which was, on motion, adopted :

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee of Audit and Accounts submit for your consideration the following report:

The accounts of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary to February 1st, 1862, have been examined and found correct. The account of the Grand Treasurer shows a balance on hand, at that date, of eleven hundred and thirty-four dollars fifty-nine cents, (\$1,134 59) as per statement annexed.

A full and lucid statement of the condition and affairs of the Grand Lodge having been presented by the Board of Directors of the Grand Lodge Hall, the Committee deem it unnecessary to recapitulate, as it would be entirely superfluous. It is proper, however, to state that the balance due by Bro. Risk, late Grand Secretary (which occurred on account of the absence of both the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, in the service of the Confederacy), has been paid by the

administrator of Bro. Risk's estate, since the reports of the present Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary have been presented.

Fraternally,

D. E. SCRUGGS,	} Committee.
J. O. DeCASTRO,	
J. BOOTH,	

### Documents accompanying Report.

HARMON DOANE, *Grand Treasurer, in Account Current with the*

M. W. GRAND LODGE OF LOUISIANA :

1862.

January 13—To Cash from Samuel M. Todd, Grand Treasurer.....	\$330 65
28—Do do Samuel M. Todd, Grand Secretary.....	1,000 00
Febr'y 1—Do do do do .....	1,048 19

1862.

January 27—By Warrant No. 20, on account of Grand Lodge.....	\$ 50 00
27—By Warrants Nos. 38 to 40, inclusive, on account of G. L. Hall....	1,194 25
Febr'y 1—By Balance in Treasury, at date .....	1,134 59
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### SPECIFICATION OF WARRANTS.

ON ACCOUNT OF GRAND LODGE.

Warrant No. 20—Grand Tyler, balance in full of salary for 1861.....	\$ 50 00
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ON ACCOUNT OF GRAND LODGE HALL.

Warrant No. 38—Hall Keeper, 8 months' salary, in full, to Dec. 31, and sundries.....	\$604 25
" No. 39—H. Doane, Agent, premium on \$20,000 insurance on Building.....	170 00
" No. 40—Assistant Grand Secretary, 7 months' salary in full to Dec. 31, 1861.....	420 00
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	\$1,194 25

SAMUEL M. TODD, *Grand Secretary, in Account Current with the*

M. W. GRAND LODGE OF LOUISIANA:

1862.

January 1—To Cash received from Humble Cottage No. 19, on account .....	\$ 54 60
2—Do do P. Clisey, rent for January.....	20 00
4—Do do A. Astredo (Amigos del Orden 5) for Diploma .....	2 50
6—Do do W. P. Coleman, rent for January.....	75 00
7—Do do McCerren & Landry, rent for Dec. 1861...	125 00
7—Do do La. Mutual Ins. Co., as follows :	
Script of 1858, in full.....	\$20 00
50 per cent. script for 1859.....	30 00
Interest to March 1, 1861 .....	11 50—
	61 50

Amount forwarded..... \$ 332 00

Amount brought forward.....			\$ 333 00
January 11—	To Cash received from Ocean Lodge No. 144, in full .		70 00
16—Do	do Jim Wood No. 167, on account.....		44 00
17—Do	do T. Hockstein, (Hiram No. 70) for Diploma.		2 50
18—Do	do J. Grunthal (Germania No. 46) for Diploma		2 50
18—Do	do Germania No. 48, in full .....		97 00
20—Do	do Dudley No. 66, in full.....		107 00
20—Do	do Alpha Home No. 72, in full .....		75 00
23—Do	do Feliciana No. 31, in full.....		48 00
24—Do	do Officers of 5th Reg. Ia. M., for use of Ball Room.....		56 00
25—Do	do Houma Lodge No. 139, in full.....		44 00
25—Do	do Saints John No. 153, in full.....		70 00
27—Do	do Gordy No. 133, in full.....		49 54
27—Do	do Lake Charles No. 165, in full.....		16 00
28—Do	do Perkins No. 150, in full.....		60 00
29—Do	do Orleans Council R. & S. M. No. 4, for night meeting, on Jan. 28, 1862.....		5 00
30—Do	do Milford No. 117, on account.....		54 00
30—Do	do Sabine No. 75, on account.....		46 00
30—Do	do Marion No. 68, in full.....		121 00
30—Do	do Marion No. 68, in full for rent to Dec. 31, 1861 .....		125 00
31—Do	do Quitman No. 76, in full.....		112 00
Febr'y. 1—Do	do Friends of Harmony No. 58, in full for rent, to Dec. 31, 1861.....		120 00
1—Do	do McCorren & Landry, rent note due 1-4 October, 1861 .....		166 63
1—Do	do McCorren & Landry, rent note due 1-4 January, 1862.....		125 00
1—Do	do P. Clissey, rent for February.....		20 00
1—Do	do Mount Lebanon No. 114, on account .....		23 00
1—Do	do Excelsior No. 166, in full.....		41 00

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January 28—	By cash paid Harmon Doane, Grand Treasurer.....	\$1,000 00
February 1—	Do do do .....	1,048 19
[E. & O. E.]		\$2,048 19
		\$2,048 19

The Committee on Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges offered the following reports, which were read :

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges submit the following report:

DE SOTO LODGE No. 55.—Debts due: J. S. Jacks, \$32 92; Wardham & Williams, \$23 30; J. C. Porter, \$7 32; Yarborough & Best,



\$53 00; Grand Lodge dues, \$354 96—total, \$411 50. Jewels, furniture, etc., valued at \$85 92. Amount of indebtedness, after deducting assets, \$385 58. Bro. J. J. Yarborough states that J. S. Jacks, and the house of Yarborough & Best are willing to take in payment the jewels and furniture of the Lodge, for amount indebted to them. Your Committee, therefore, recommend that Bro. J. J. Yarborough be authorized, after appraising the jewels, furniture, etc., of De Soto Lodge No. 55, to dispose of them to the best advantage; that the members of the Lodge be assessed in equal proportion to pay amount balance of indebtedness by the Lodge, excepting that part due the Grand Lodge, and that the Grand Lodge remit such dues as have not been paid, in the hope that, by so doing, it may facilitate the resuscitating of said Lodge.

MOUNT GERIZIM LODGE NO. 54 AND HARRY HILL LODGE NO. 134. Your Committee having examined the papers connected with the request of these Lodges, do recommend that it being conducive to the interests of the Order that there be not more Lodges in any one place than necessity actually requires, that Harry Hill Lodge be permitted to transfer or make over to Mount Gerizim Lodge all its jewels, furniture, and also all rights and titles that it may have to a certain building in which they meet, thereby forming but one Lodge, under the name of Mount Gerizim; said Lodge to assume all debts of Harry Hill No. 134; and, in addition, that the members of Harry Hill Lodge No. 134, be authorized to have their names enrolled as members of Mount Gerizim Lodge No. 54.

CONSTANTINE LODGE NO. 119.—After due examination of the communications received from this Lodge, your Committee recommend that the charter, jewels, etc., of said Lodge, be received, and that demits be granted to the following named members, now in good standing, having paid their dues, viz.: H. M. McCulloch, H. M. Brown, D. Wise, W. F. Lynch, J. P. Womack, J. W. Wallace, S. Fischel, J. Gordon, J. H. Penney, G. M. Brown, J. J. Smokey, as well as to the following brothers who are now in the army, and also that their dues be remitted, viz.: F. N. Gaton, W. G. Hughes, J. A. Reed, J. J. Powell; and, furthermore, that Bro. W. F. Lynch, W. M., be appointed by this Grand Lodge its agent to sell, or otherwise dispose of the remaining property of the Lodge, also to collect such amount of standing credits as may be still due to it, as may appear

on the books, and otherwise close the business of the Lodge. Amount now due by members, \$617 75.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

AUG. DUQUERCRON,	} Committee.
JOHN C. JONES,	
J. D. CATLIN,	

On motion, the recommendation of the Committee, in regard to De Soto Lodge No. 55, was adopted.

On motion of Bro. A. DUQUERCRON, the vote on the adoption of the Committee's recommendation in relation to De Soto Lodge No. 55, was reconsidered, and, on motion, that part of the report was referred back to the Committee.

On motion, the recommendation in regard to Mount Gerizim Lodge No. 54 and Harry Hill Lodge No. 134, was adopted.

On motion, the recommendation in regard to Constantine Lodge No. 119, was adopted.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances submitted the following report on the case of Bro. J. G. Hollis, which was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have examined the application of Napoleon Lodge No. 94, for the re-instatement of Bro. J. G. Hollis, who was suspended by this Grand Lodge, February 14th, 1857, and respectfully report the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That Bro. J. G. Hollis be re-instated in all of his Masonic rights and privileges.

H. R. SWASEY,	} Committee.
A. MARTIN,	
JOHN H. CLARK,	
S. I. GUILLET,	

Also, the following report on the case of Bro. John R.

Carr, which, after some debate and explanation, was adopted :

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have had the case of John R. Carr under consideration, being an appeal from Mackey Lodge No. 122, expelling him from the privileges of Masonry, and, after a careful examination of all the documents, do not see sufficient cause to disturb the verdict of the Lodge, and therefore recommend the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the appeal of Bro. John R. Carr from the decision of Mackey Lodge No. 122, be dismissed.

H. R. SWASEY,	} Committee.
A. MARTIN,	
JOHN H. CLARK,	
S. I. GUILLET,	

The Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence reported the following resolutions which were taken up separately, and adopted :

*Resolved*, That the contract of purchase of the property of Polar Star Lodge No. 1, made by the M. W. Grand Master, by act, before Edward Barnett, Notary Public, on the 22d day of May, 1861, be ratified and approved ; and be it further

*Resolved*, That said property be placed under the control and future management of the Board of Directors of the Grand Lodge Hall, in all respects the same as the Grand Lodge Hall now is, and the revenues arising from the same, for all future time, be devoted exclusively to charitable purposes, as is set forth in Sec. 6, Art. 1, Chap. 3, of the present Regulations of the Grand Lodge.

*Resolved*, That the appointment of District Deputy Grand Masters, as well as the Committee on Work, shall be permanent.

BRO. A. S. WASHBURN called up the amendment to the By-Laws, offered at the last Annual Grand Communication, by Bro. J. C. BATCHELOR, which is as follows :

The Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary of this Grand Lodge shall each execute a bond, satisfactory to the Grand Master, in the full sum of five thousand dollars, to this Grand Lodge, within ten days after their election and installation, for the faithful performance of their duty.

Bro. A. S. WASHBURN then moved that the proposed amendment be adopted, which was carried unanimously.

Bro. A. DUQUERCRON offered the following amendment to the By-Laws, which was, on motion, received, to come up for action to-morrow evening :

Art. 1, Chap. 1, Sec. 2, last paragraph to read as follows:

The last of which Committees shall be composed of seven Masters or Past Masters of Lodges ; the Committee on Chartered Lodges to consist of five members ; the Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence to consist of seven members. All other Committees shall be composed, each of three members of the Grand Lodge.

On motion of Bro. SAMUEL J. POWELL, the election of officers was ordered to take place immediately after the reading of the minutes and of the report of the Committee on Credentials, on Thursday evening.

The M. W. Grand Lodge was then called off until to-morrow (Wednesday) evening, at half-past six o'clock.

(Signed)

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, Grand Master.

A. G. CARTER, Deputy Grand Master.

JOHN C. GORDY, Senior Grand Warden.

H. REGENBURG, Junior Grand Warden.

GRAND LODGE HALL, }  
NEW ORLEANS, WEDNESDAY, Feb. 12th, 1862. }

The M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana was called to labor this evening in the Third Degree, at half-past six o'clock, the following

**OFFICERS PRESENT:**

J. Q. A. FELLOWS.....	M. W. Grand Master.
A. G. CARTER.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
JOHN C. GORDY.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
HY. REGENBURG.....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
HARMON DOANE.....	W. Grand Treasurer.
SAMUEL M. TODD.....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES, D. D.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
S. I. GUILLET.....	as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
NELSON KEYES.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
D. E. SCRUGGS.....	W. Grand Marshal.
J. D. CATLIN.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
J. BIGUENET.....	as W. Grand Pursuivant.
F. D. BUGEL.....	as
THOMAS SUPPLE.....	as
STEPHEN J. DAVIES.....	as
W. W. RISHER.....	as
JAMES B. SCOT.....	W. Grand Tyler.

W. Grand Stewards.

The roll of Lodges was then called, and the following were found to be represented :

Nos. 3, 4, L. o. 5, 28, 31, 46, 47, 52, 53, 56, 57, 58, 59, 63, 65, 66, 68, 72, 87, 90, 92, 96, 101, 103, 105, 122, 124, 130, 134, 139, 144, 149, 150, 160, 163, 168. Total—36 Chartered Lodges.

The minutes of the session of Tuesday, February 11th, were then read and approved.

The Grand Secretary then submitted the following report, which was received and referred to the Committees on Credentials and on Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges :

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

BRETHREN—I have to report to you that since your session of last evening, Grosse Tete Lodge No. 157, and St. Hélena Lodge No. 96, which had previously made returns, have paid their dues; and Perseverance Lodge No. 4, Foyer Maçonnique Lodge No. 44, and Mount Gerizim Lodge No. 54, have made returns and paid their dues. Springhill Lodge No. 127, has made returns but paid no dues.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL M. TODD, Grand Secretary.

The Committee on Credentials then submitted the following report, which was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following Brethren entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge:

PERSEVERANCE.....	No. 4—	F. Meilleur, W. M. M. A. Calongne, S. W. C. Barthe, J. W.
FOYER MAÇONNIQUE.....	No. 44—	U. Marinoni, W. M. H. T. B. Pain, S. W. F. Gonthier, J. W.
MOUNT GERIZIM.....	No. 54—	J. H. Traylor, W. M. D. M. Holt, S. W. R. H. Jones, J. W.
EASTERN STAR.....	No. 151—	Wm. J. Edwards, W. M. J. L. Bridges, S. W. Denis Mackie, J. W.

MONTGOMERY.....No. 168—C. T. Williams, W. M.

B. F. Butler, S. W.

S. Bernstein, J. W.

FRIENDS OF HARMONY.....No. 58—B. da Silva, proxy for W. M. and S. W.

Fraternally submitted,

J. D. CATLIN,

S. D. OLIVER,

JOSEPH P. HORNOR,

} Committee.

The Committee on Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges then submitted the following report, which was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Chartered Lodges have examined the returns of the Lodges subordinate to this M. W. Grand Lodge, as far as sent in, and find the following informal as to their returns, viz :

GERMANIA LODGE No. 46—For omitting to make mention of the death of Bro. Wm. M. Dehmel, on January 14th, 1861.

ALPHA HOME LODGE No. 72—The signature of the W. M. not being affixed thereunto, he being absent in the army.

SABINE LODGE No. 75—For having the name of A. E. Cassady on the roll of its members, without any explanation as to his admission.

MONTICELLO LODGE No. 92—The signatures of the S. W. and J. W. not being affixed to the document.

HERMITAGE No. 98, HENDERSON No. 99, AND WESTERN STAR No. 61—Wanting the signatures of the S. W. and J. W.; the S. W. of No. 99 being absent in the army.

ST. ALBANS LODGE No. 28—Wanting the signature of the W. M. and J. W.

COLUMBIA No. 164, EXCELSIOR No. 166, AND OLIVE No. 52—Wanting the signature of the J. W.

DAWSON LODGE No. 129—For having the name of Robert Murray on its roll, and no mention of his initiation or affiliation, and also for being without a seal.

ARCADIA LODGE No. 126—For having the name of W. A. Jones on its roll, as above, without accounting for it.

CYPRESS No. 89, POLAR STAR No. 1, AND LISBON No. 121—For not having the seal of the Lodge affixed to the document.

HAYNESVILLE LODGE No. 169—The name of E. Demos appearing on the roll, and no explanation as to his admission being given; also, Bros. B. M. Oakes and Josias Short being returned as raised, and no mention of their passing appearing on the returns.

Your Committee will, in addition, report that the following mentioned Lodges have paid their dues to this M. W. Grand Lodge, and have made their returns correctly, excepting those above mentioned, viz.: Polar Star No. 1, Concorde No. 3, Los Amigos del Orden No. 5, Nos. 19, 31, 46, 47, 53, 56, 57, 58, 59, 65, 66, 68, 70, 72, 75, 76, 78, 87, 90, 92, 94, 98, 99, 103, 104, 105, 106, 112, 116, 117, 120, 122, 125, 130, 133, 134, 135, 139, 144, 146, 149, 150, 153, 154, 155, 156, 160, 161, 163, 165, 166, 167, 52, 28, 63, 101, 124, 141, 157.

The frequent omissions as to dates and other important requisites in the making out of returns, cause your Committee to recommend to the especial attention of the W. Masters and Secretaries, the 10th Sec. in Art. 1st, Chap. 2d of the By-Laws of this M. W. Grand Lodge.

The following Lodges have made their returns but have paid no dues, viz: Nos. 9, 51, 55, 61, 84, 88, 89, 96, 108, 111, 113, 121, 126, 127, 136, 143, 145, 147, 148, 162, 169, 152, 129, 164.

SPARTA LODGE No. 108—Has made a return, but has not paid any dues this or last year, your Committee recommend that time be granted them.

The following Lodges have made no returns, nor have they paid their dues for last year or this, viz.: St. Joseph No. 79, Warren No. 132, and Liberty No. 123; and, in accordance with Sec. 7 of Art. 7 of the Constitution of this M. W. Grand Lodge, their charters are forfeited.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

AUG. DUQUERCROON,	} Committee.
J. D. CAWTHON,	
JOHN C. JONES,	

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances submitted the following report and resolution on the case of Bro. James Calliham, which was received and read:



*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances having had under consideration the appeal from Atchafalaya Lodge No. 163, beg leave to report :

1st. We find an irregularity in the proceedings in this, that the Committee appointed to take the testimony of witnesses out of the Lodge, do not appear to have given notice to the accused of the time and place of taking it.

2d. The testimony of some of the witnesses does not agree with the statement of the Brethren making the charges, and none of them state that the Brother called on Bro. Calliham to comply with his agreement, according to the terms agreed on.

We, therefore, offer the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sentence of reprimand passed by Atchafayla Lodge No. 163, on the 23d March, 1861, against Bro. James Calliham be set aside.

H. R. SWASEY,	} Committee.
T. A. BARTLETTE,	
A. MARTIN,	
JOHN H. CLARK,	
S. I. GUILLET,	

On motion of Bro. B. DA SILVA, the report and resolution were adopted, after amending the resolution, by adding—

And that the case be sent back to Atchafalaya Lodge No. 163, for a new trial, according to the Regulations of the Grand Lodge.

The same Committee also submitted the following report and resolution on the case of Bro. John Touro :

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances have again had under consideration the appeal from Louisiana Lodge No. 102, of Bro. John Touro, who was indefinitely suspended two years since. The record in the case was defective in this, that the oral testimony taken in the Lodge was not reduced to writing, and a correct understanding of the case could not be had for the want of it. This Grand Lodge has twice ordered Louisiana Lodge to have the testimony

taken and returned to the Grand Secretary, which she has failed to do, and as Bro. Touro expresses himself able and willing to establish his innocence of the charges, your Committee feel it to be their duty to give him an opportunity to do so, and would respectfully offer for your consideration the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the decision of Louisiana Lodge No. 102, in the case of Bro. John Touro, be avoided, annulled and reversed, and that the papers and documents be sent back to the Lodge, with instructions to forthwith order a new trial, strictly complying with the Grand Lodge Regulations as made and provided.

H. R. SWASEY,	} Committee.
A. MARTIN,	
T. A. BARTLETTE,	
JOHN H. CLARK,	
S. I. GUILLET,	

Bro. A. MARTIN moved to strike out of the resolution all after the word "reversed."

Bro. J. BOOTH moved to amend, by inserting "that the case be sent for trial to some other Lodge, instead of Louisiana Lodge No. 102," which amendment was adopted.

On motion of Bro. A. MARTIN, the report and resolution, as amended, were adopted.

On motion of Bro. H. M. CRENSHAW, the M. W. Grand Master was authorized to designate the Lodge in which he should be tried.

The Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence then submitted a report, which, after considerable discussion, they were permitted to withdraw.

Bro. A. S. WASHBURN offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of fifty dollars be appropriated to our Rev. and W. Grand Chaplain, Bro. C. S. Hedges.

On motion of Bro. B. DA SILVA, the resolution was amended by substituting "one hundred dollars," instead

of "fifty dollars," and the resolution as amended was adopted, the amount being for last year and this.

Bro. S. O. SCRUGGS offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the usual fee for Dispensation to Pelican Lodge U. D., of the 7th Regiment Louisiana Volunteers be remitted, and that no charge be made for Dispensations granted to Military Lodges during the continuance of the present war.

Bro. G. SONTAG, the Chairman of the Committee on Lodges under Dispensation, stated they had nothing to report on.

Bro. A. DUQUERCROU then called up the amendment to Art. 1, Chap. 1, Sec. 2 of the By-Laws of the Grand Lodge, offered by him at the session of yesterday, which reads as follows :

The last of which Committees shall be composed of seven Masters or Past Masters of Lodges; the Committee on Chartered Lodges to consist of five members; the Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence to consist of seven members. All other Committees shall be composed each of three members of the Grand Lodge.

When, on motion, the amendment was unanimously adopted.

The M. W. Grand Master then appointed as additional members of the Committee on Chartered Lodges, Bros. S. J. Powell and W. W. Risher.

Bro. S. O. SCRUGGS, on behalf of the Special Committee on the death of Past Deputy Grand Master THOMAS HARDEMAN LEWIS, after some appropriate preliminary remarks, then submitted the following preamble and resolutions, which, after an eloquent eulogium on the character of the deceased from Bro. S. J. DAVIES, were unanimously adopted :

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Almighty Ruler to remove from among the Masonic laborers of earth, our worthy and distinguished Brother, Past Deputy Grand Master THOMAS H. LEWIS, be it therefore

*Resolved*, That in the death of Bro. THOMAS H. LEWIS, Masonry has lost a bright, useful, and honored member; society one of its brightest jewels; the bar a shining ornament; and the deserving poor a friend and advocate.

*Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge sympathize deeply with the bereaved family of our distinguished Brother in their irreparable loss.

*Resolved*, That this preamble and resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Grand Lodge, and a copy of the same be forwarded to the family of our deceased and beloved Brother.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until to-morrow (Thursday) evening, at half-past six o'clock.

[Signed]

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, Grand Master.

A. G. CARTER, Deputy Grand Master.

JOHN C. GORDY, Senior Grand Warden.

H. REGENBURG, Junior Grand Warden.

GRAND LODGE HALL, }  
NEW ORLEANS, THURSDAY, Feb. 13th, 1862. }

The M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, was called to labor this evening, in the Third Degree, at half-past 6 o'clock, the following

**OFFICERS PRESENT:**

J. Q. A. FELLOWS .....	M. W. Grand Master.
A. G. CARTER .....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
JOHN C. GORDY .....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
A. J. NORWOOD .....	as R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
HARMON DOANE .....	W. Grand Treasurer.
SAMUEL M. TODD .....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES, D. D. ....	W. Grand Chaplain.
SAMUEL J. POWELL .....	as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
NELSON KEYES .....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
D. E. SCRUGGS ..	W. Grand Marshal.
JOHN D. CATLIN .....	as W. Grand Pursuivant.
W. H. SEAMAN .....	} W. Grand Stewards.
THOS. SUPPLE .....	
F. D. BUGEL .....	
JOHN H. CLARK .....	
JAMES B. SCOT .....	W. Grand Tyler.

A roll of Lodges was then called, when the following were found to be represented :

Nos. 3, 4, L. O. 5, 9, 19, 28, 31, 44, 46, 47, 52, 53, 54, 56, 58, 59, 63, 65, 66, 68, 70, 72, 87, 90, 92, 96, 98, 103, 105, 122, 124, 130, 134, 139, 141, 144, 149, 150, 153, 157, 160, 163, 165, 167. Total—44 Chartered Lodges.

Bro. H. REGENBURG, R. W. Junior Grand Warden, then entered and took his seat.

The minutes of the session of Wednesday, February 12th, were then read and approved.

The Grand Secretary then read the following report, which was, on motion, received, and referred to the Committee on Credentials :

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

BRETHREN—Since my report last evening the following Lodges, which had previously made returns, have paid dues for the year 1861: Silencio No. 9, Anacoco No. 147, and Many No. 88.

The last named, Many Lodge No. 88, is indebted in an old balance of \$301 72 for Grand Lodge Hall tax.

Fraternally submitted,

SAMUEL M. TODD, Grand Secretary.

The Committee on Credentials then submitted the following report, which was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following brethren entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge:

ILENCIO.....No. 9—Gabriel Segui y Gahona, W. M.  
Pascual Ugarte, S. W.  
Pedro Baqui, J. W.

ANACOCO.....No. 147—N. H. Bray, W. M.  
W. H. Jones, S. W.  
J. J. Cole, J. W.

GROSSE TETE.....No. 157—H. Sigler, W. M.  
S. B. Raby, S. W. [proxy.]  
David McHugh, J. W. (H. P. Buckley,

MANY.....No. 88—Wm. B. Stille, W. M. (L. Nash, proxy.)  
John W. Carson, S. W.  
A. R. Mitchell, J. W.

ST. HELENA.....No. 96—W. A. Carter, W. M.  
W. W. Carter, S. W.  
J. B. McClendon, J. W.



The M. W. Grand Master then appointed Bros. S. J. POWELL and H. M. CRENSHAW, tellers ; when the M. W. Grand Lodge proceeded to the election of Grand Officers for the ensuing Masonic year, which resulted in the selection of the following Brethren :

J. Q. A. FELLOWS ..... Grand Master.

who, immediately after accepting the same, re-appointed

A. G. CARTER ..... Deputy Grand Master.

The following Brethren were then duly elected :

B. G. THIBODAUX ..... Grand Senior Warden.

SAMUEL J. POWELL ..... Grand Junior Warden.

HARMON DOANE ..... Grand Treasurer.

SAMUEL M. TODD ..... Grand Secretary.

On motion of Bro. J. B. SMITH, the Rev. C. S. HEDGES, D. D., was reëlected Grand Chaplain by acclamation.

Past Grand Master WM. M. PERKINS then moved that the M. W. Grand Master elect appoint the balance of the officers and six brethren to serve as Directors of the Grand Lodge Hall, which motion was adopted.

Bro. J. Q. A. FELLOWS, M. W. Grand Master elect, then announced the following appointments :

NELSON KEYES ..... Senior Grand Deacon.

JOHN D. CATLIN ..... Junior Grand Deacon.

D. E. SCRUGGS ..... Grand Marshal.

J. D. CAWTHON ..... Grand Sword Bearer.

JOHN C. JONES ..... Grand Pursuivant.

S. I. GUILLET .....	} Grand Stewards.
T. H. WEIGHTMAN .....	
S. S. HOYT .....	
W. W. RISHER .....	

JAMES B. SCOT ..... Grand Tyler.



## Board of Directors of Grand Lodge Hall.

WM. M. PERKINS.....	of Marion Lodge.....	No. 68
H. R. SWASEY.....	" George Washington Lodge..	" 65
A. B. SEGER .....	" Saints John Lodge.....	" 153
EDWARD BARNETT.....	" Ocean Lodge.....	" 144
D. E. SCRUGGS.....	" Marion Lodge.....	" 68
JOHN BOOTH.....	" Mount Moriah Lodge.....	" 59

On motion, the installation of officers was fixed for tomorrow, Friday morning at 9 o'clock.

The Committee on Work and Returns of Chartered Lodges, then submitted the following report, which was read and adopted :

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

The Committee on Chartered Lodges beg leave to submit the following report :

SHILOH LODGE No. 131. From the representations of Bro. District Deputy Grand Master H. Regenburg, it appears that the members of Shiloh Lodge No. 131, held a meeting on the first Saturday of January, 1862, at which meeting they elected officers ; thereby resuscitating the Lodge, and have determined to carry on the work. Now, inasmuch as they have not paid their dues for the last year and this, and according to Sec. 7, Art. 7, of the Grand Lodge Constitution, their Charter is forfeited ; and, again, they are in doubt as to the propriety of their acts in the premises, your Committee recommend that the M. W. Grand Master give them authority to proceed with their Work as before.

SPRINGHILL LODGE No. 127 —The name of J. D. Gibson has been placed on the returns, but no mention is therein made as to his initiation or affiliation. In our last report this Lodge was mentioned as not having made returns or paid dues ; we now report that the returns have since been made, but no dues are yet paid.

Since our last report, the following Lodges that had made their returns, but had not paid their dues, have since paid in full, viz: Grosse Tete No. 157, and St. Helena No. 96.

The following Lodges, which had made no returns nor paid dues, have complied with the rules by making correct returns and paying their dues : Perseverance No. 4, Foyer Maçonique No. 44, and Mount Gerizim No. 54.

PLEASANT HILL No. 86 AND LIVONIA No. 91—Your Committee have noticed that although, by resolution of this M. W. Grand Lodge at its last Annual Communication, the charters of these Lodges were returned to them, they have failed to pay their dues or make their returns this year. We therefore recommend that the W. Grand Secretary be instructed to ascertain their present *status*, and the reasons why they have not complied with the requirements and regulations in such cases made and provided.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

AUG. DUQUERCROU,	} Committee.
W. W. RISHER,	
SAMUEL J. POWELL,	
J. D. CAWTHON,	
JOHN C. JONES,	

The M. W. Grand Lodge was then called off until to-morrow (Friday) morning, at nine o'clock.

[Signed]

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, Grand Master.

GRAND LODGE HALL, }  
 NEW ORLEANS, FRIDAY, February 14th, 1862. }

The M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, was called to labor in the Third Degree, at nine o'clock, A. M., the following

OFFICERS PRESENT.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS.....M. W. Grand Master.  
 A. S. WASHBURN.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden.  
 HY. REGENBURG.....R. W. Junior Grand Warden.  
 HARMON DOANE.....W. Grand Treasurer.  
 SAMUEL M. TODD.....W. Grand Secretary.  
 REV. C. S. HEDGES, D.D.....W. Grand Chaplain.  
 JOHN BOOTH.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon.  
 S. I. GUILLET.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon.  
 D. E. SCRUGGS.....W. Grand Marshal.  
 JOHN D. CATLIN.....W. Grand Sword Bearer.  
 THOMAS F. HEDGES.....as W. Grand Pursuivant.  
 THOMAS SUPPLE.....as W. Grand Steward.  
 JAMES B. SCOT.....W. Grand Tyler.

A roll of Lodges was then called, and the following were found to be represented :

Nos. 31, 47, 53, 56, 58, 59, 63, 65, 66, 68, 72, 87, 90, 103, 105, 112, 120, 122, 130, 134, 141, 144, 149, 150, 160, 163, 165. Total—27 Chartered Lodges.

On motion, the reading of the minutes of the session of last evening were dispensed with.

The Grand Lodge then proceeded to the installation of the newly elected officers for the ensuing Masonic year,

Past Grand Master WM. M. PERKINS, presiding, who requested Bro. HENRY REGENBURG to act as Grand Marshal, and present the officers elect for installation.

Bro. J. Q. A. FELLOWS was then presented, and by Past Grand Master WM. W. PERKINS, regularly and duly installed and inducted as M. W. Grand Master, after which the M. W. Grand Master J. Q. A. FELLOWS immediately proceeded to and did install, in AMPLE FORM, the following officers :

A. G. CARTER as (John Booth, proxy).....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
B. G. THIBODAUX as.....	R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
SAMUEL J. POWELL as.....	R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
HARMON DOANE as.....	W. Grand Treasurer.
SAMUEL M. TODD as.....	W. Grand Secretary.
REV. C. S. HEDGES, D. D. as.....	W. Grand Chaplain.
NELSON KEYES as (J. B. Robinson, p'xy).....	W. Senior Grand Deacon.
JOHN D. CATLIN as.....	W. Junior Grand Deacon.
DANIEL E. SCRUGGS as.....	W. Grand Marshal.
J. D. CAWTHON as.....	W. Grand Sword Bearer.
JOHN C. JONES as.....	W. Grand Pursuivant.
S. I. GUILLET as.....	} W. Grand Stewards.
T. H. WEIGHTMAN as.....	
S. S. HOYT as.....	
W. W. RISHER as.....	
JAMES B. SCOT as.....	W. Grand Tyler.

The Grand Marshal then announced the officers of the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, for the ensuing Masonic year, installed in AMPLE FORM.

R. W. Deputy Grand Master A. G. CARTER being announced, entered and took his seat.

The M. W. Grand Master then announced for the ensuing Masonic year, the following standing

**Committee on Foreign Correspondence.**

H. R. SWASEY.....of George Washington Lodge....No. 65.  
 A. S. WASHBURN.....of Bartholomew Lodge..... " 112.  
 SAMUEL M. TODD.....of Marion Lodge..... " 68.

The Committee appointed to prepare resolutions on the death of Bro. Grand Secretary SAMUEL G. RISK, presented a report (see page 68) which, after some feeling remarks from Rev. Bro. C. S. HEDGES, was unanimously adopted.

On motion of Bro. SAMUEL M. TODD, the Committee on Audit and Accounts were empowered to adjust all old balances against Lodges on the books of the Grand Lodge, which are disputed.

BRO. J. D. CATLIN offered the following resolution<sup>n</sup>, which, being duly seconded, was read and adopted :

*Resolved*, That the Assistant Grand Secretary, Bro. Joseph P. Hornor be paid one hundred dollars for services rendered in the arduous discharge of his duties.

On motion of Bro. D. E. SCRUGGS the Committee on Audit and Accounts were empowered to authorize the Grand Secretary to draw warrants for such claims of the District Deputy Grand Masters, as the said Committee may approve.

On motion of Bro. SAMUEL M. TODD, it was

*Resolved*, That the M. W. Grand Master be authorized to approve and sign the minutes of this Grand Communication, and those of last evening, after the Grand Lodge shall close.

No further business appearing, the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, was closed in AMPLE FORM, until its next Annual Grand Communication, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9th, 1863.

[Signed]

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, Grand Master.

# EXTRAORDINARY COMMUNICATION

OF THE

## M. W. GRAND LODGE OF LOUISIANA,

GRAND LODGE MASONIC HALL, }  
NEW ORLEANS, SUNDAY, December 29th, 1861. }

In accordance with the special notice in the various newspapers published in the city of New Orleans, on the occasion of the death of our esteemed and lamented Bro. SAMUEL G. RISK, Grand Secretary, and to pay the last sad tribute to his memory, the Grand Lodge convened in Extraordinary Session, at the Grand Lodge Hall, on Sunday morning, 10 o'clock, December 29th, 1861, and was opened in AMPLE FORM, the following

### OFFICERS PRESENT.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS.....	M. W. Grand Master.
GEORGE W. RACE.....	as R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
EDWARD BARNETT.....	as R. W. Senior Grand Warden.
JOSEPH SANTINI.....	as R. W. Junior Grand Warden.
JOHN H. HOLLAND.....	as W. Grand Chaplain.
SAMUEL M. TODD.....	W. Grand Treasurer.
E. SALOMON.....	acting as W. Grand Secretary.
AARON HARRIS.....	as W. Senior Grand Deacon.
WILLIAM WREN.....	as W. Junior Grand Deacon.
HARMON DOANE.....	W. Grand Marshal.
SETH R. FIELD.....	as W. Grand Sword Bearer.
GARDNER SMITH.....	as W. Grand Pursuivant.
T. D. VANHORN.....	as } W. Grand Stewards.
THOMAS F. BRAGG.....	as }
S. L. BUTLER.....	as }
JAMES B. SCOT.....	W. Grand Tyler.

The M. W. Grand Master stated in appropriate terms the sad object of this Extraordinary Session of the M. W. Grand Lodge, and proceeded, with the assistance of the Brethren, to perform the rites peculiar to the Order, after which, under the charge of the Grand Marshal, the Grand Lodge, being called from labor, proceeded in solemn procession with the remains of our deceased Brother to the grave in Greenwood Cemetery, where they were deposited with all due solemnities. The ceremonies being completed, the Grand Lodge returned to the Hall, when the Grand Lodge was called to labor, the officers as before.

On motion of acting Junior Grand Deacon, the M. W. Grand Master appointed Bros. John H. Holland, Samuel M. Todd, and Edward Barnett, a committee to prepare suitable resolutions as a testimonial of the Grand Lodge towards our deceased Brother, and to report at the next Annual Grand Communication.

No further business appearing, the Extraordinary Session of the Grand Lodge was closed in AMPLE FORM.

[Signed]

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, Grand Master.

**Report of Committee on Death of Bro. Samuel G. Risk.**

In accordance with the motion of Bro. SAMUEL J. POWELL (page 40 of Proceedings), the report of the Committee to draft resolutions on the death of Bro. SAMUEL G. RISK, appointed at the Extraordinary Communication of December 29th, 1861, is here inserted :

*To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana :*

Your Committee appointed at the Extraordinary Communication of the Grand Lodge, held on the 29th day of December, 1861, on the occasion of the death of our beloved Grand Secretary, SAMUEL GIBSON RISK, to present suitable resolutions for the consideration of the

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Grand Lodge at this Annual Grand Communication, respectfully submit the following :

*Resolved*, That in the death of our beloved Brother, SAMUEL G. RISK, Grand Secretary of this Grand Lodge for eight successive years, not only has this Grand Lodge and the Fraternity throughout the State and country, but society at large and especially the benevolent institutions of this city, lost a most valuable ornament and useful member—one ever ready to devote his time, means and life, if necessary, in the service of his neighbor and his country.

*Resolved*, That we deeply sympathize with his family and widow in their bereavement, and with his many friends wherever he was known, and that as a further expression of our feelings, the jewels and furniture of the Grand Lodge be draped in mourning for the remainder of the year, and that a page of our Records be devoted to his memory.

Respectfully submitted,

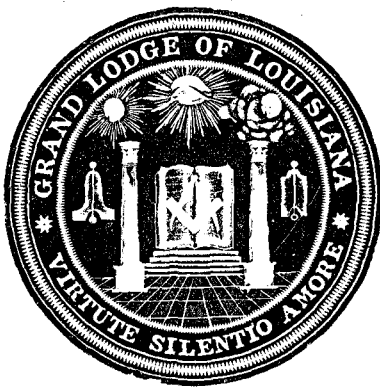
J. H. HOLLAND,	} Committee.
ED. BARNETT,	
SAMUEL M. TODD,	



**GRAND SECRETARY'S OFFICE,**  
**Of the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana.** }

Grand Lodge Hall, corner of St. Charles and Perdido streets.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY,** *that the foregoing pages from No. 3 to 69, contain a true transcript of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, at its last Annual Grand Communication, held at the City of New Orleans, from the tenth to the fourteenth of February, 1862, inclusive; also, of the Extraordinary Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge, held at Masonic Hall, New Orleans, on the 29th day of December, 1861.*



**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF,** *I have hereunto affixed the Seal of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana, A. F. and A. M., together with my official signature, this fourteenth day of February, A. D. 1862, A. L. 5862.*

**ATTEST:**

*Sam. M. Todd*  
*Grand Secretary*

**N. B.—***All communications should be addressed to SAMUEL M. TODD Grand Secretary, Box 3109, Post Office, New Orleans, Louisiana.*

In Memory of

**SAMUEL GIBSON RISK,**

For many years the efficient and faithful  
Grand Secretary of the M. W. Grand  
Lodge of the State of Louisiana,

WHO WAS

**BORN IN BELFAST, IRELAND, SEPTEMBER 6, 1818,**

AND

**DEPARTED THIS LIFE AT MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE,**

December 24th, 1861.

In Memory of

**STEPHEN C. MICHELL,**

PAST GRAND TREASURER,

OF THE

GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA,

BORN IN NEW MADRID, MISSOURI,

DIED AT NEW ORLEANS, FEBRUARY 11th, 1862,

AGED 43 YEARS.

WORK AND RETURNS  
OF  
CONSTITUENT LODGES,  
FOR THE YEAR 1861.

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PERFECT UNION LODGE No. 1—Rampart street, between Main and St. Philip streets, New Orleans—No Returns.

POLAR STAR LODGE No. 1—Corner Love and History streets, New Orleans—OFFICERS: A. R. Morel, W. M.; Chs. Claiborne, S. W.; F. Levasseur, J. W.; C. Samory, Treas.; J. L. Tissot, Sec'y; E. Fil-leul, Orator; B. Carillo, (not a member) Tyler—19 members.

*Passed*—R. Seixchneider, J. Fremaux; *Raised*—R. Seixchneider, J. Fremaux.

CONCORDE LODGE No. 3—Rampart street, between Main and St. Philip streets, New Orleans—OFFICERS: R. Gutierrez, W. M.; V. E. Dubois, S. W.; S. Conradi, J. W.; T. Gaspard, Treas.; S. Meilleur, Sec'y; R. Meyrand, S. D.; T. Ferranti, J. D.; A. Hillmann, Tyler—29 members.

*Initiated*—A. Gautier, J. F. Rabin, J. Strasel. *Passed*—J. F. Rabin. *Raised*—T. Ferranti, J. M. Sanchez. *Affiliated*—S. Conradi, V. E. Dubois. *Demitted*—J. M. Sanchez, R. Sanchez. *Died*—V. Bertus. *Stricken from the Roll*—E. Biegansky, J. Bruneau, E. Chaillot, L. Constantino, J. Diaz, T. S. Domingo, P. McDermott, M. Ouliff, F. Perilliat.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE No. 4—Corner Main and St. Claude streets, New Orleans—OFFICERS: F. Meilleur, W. M.; M. A. Calongne, S. W.; C. Barthe, J. W.; H. Pedarré, Treas.; M. Mialhe, Sec'y; O. Bois, S. D.; H. T. Copping, J. D.; J. L. Daussat, Tyler—28 members.

*Passed*—T. Lalande. *Raised*—T. Lalande.

LOS AMIGOS DEL ORDEN LODGE No. 5—Rampart street, between Main and St. Philip streets, New Orleans—OFFICERS: Angel Martin, W. M.; B. de Lucas, S. W.; A. del Valle y Nogueira, J. W.; M. Sitges, Treas.; G. Bardelas, Sec'y; A. Mendola, S. D.; P. Remendo, J. D.; C. Raymond, (not a member) Tyler—71 members.

*Initiated*—José Alex, J. Amoros y Rubio, Geronimo Casanoba, José Garcia, F. B. Montefu, J. B. Montoro, Manuel Pereyra ; 1860, Mariano Pelayo. *Passed*—J. Amoros y Rubio, G. Casanoba, J. Garcia, F. B. Montefu, J. B. Montoro, M. Pelayo, M. Pereyra. *Raised*—J. Amoros y Rubio, G. Casanoba, J. Garcia, F. B. Montefu, J. B. Montoro, M. Pelayo, M. Pereyra. *Affiliated*—Antonio Mendola. *Demitted*—L. Carrill, S. Carrill, B. Fernandez, J. Garcia, G. Prats, V. Papalardo, N. Puig, L. Tramontana. *Died*—G. Bardales, B. Carrillo. *Stricken from the Roll*—M. Barros, M. Capella, L. G. DeVillegas, J. Portella, P. Prats y Salas, A. Robira, J. F. Syz, M. F. Tunon. *Expelled*—J. Amoros y Rubio, J. R. Montoro.

ST. ANDREW LODGE No. 5—Conti street, between Villere and Robertson streets, New Orleans—OFFICERS: J. Lamarre, W. M. ; J. M. Déjeant, S. W. ; N. Tournier, J. W. ; C. Legrange, Treas. ; J. Pausas, Sec'y ; H. Degro, S. D. ; J. P. Carrière, J. D. ; T. Ricaud, Tyler—37 members.

*Initiated*—C. Carite, H. Cérisé. *Passed*—H. Baduel. *Affiliated*—B. Antognini. *Demitted*—F. Domerc. *Stricken from the Roll*—E. D. Loubet, V. Maignan, M. Perraudat, M. Stive, T. Voigniet. *Suspended*—M. Levy, G. Lusse.

SILENCIO LODGE No. 9—Corner Love and History streets, New Orleans—OFFICERS: G. Segui y Gahona, W. M. ; Pascual Ugarte, S. W. ; Pedro Bagur, J. W. ; Luis Claudon, Treas. ; L. E. del Cristo, Sec'y ; P. A. Fronti, S. D. ; L. Mendola, J. D. ; C. Gonzales, Tyler—29 members.

*Initiated*—Pedro Casasus, Luis Eduardo del Cristo, Luis Mendola, Ludovico Tarantino. *Passed*—P. Casasus, L. E. del Cristo, L. Mendola, L. Tarantino. *Raised*—P. Casasus, L. E. Mendola, L. Tarantino. *Affiliated*—Pedro Bagur. *Demitted*—B. Rodriguez. *Expelled*—Silverio Carrera.

HUMBLE COTTAGE LODGE No. 19—Opelousas, Parish of St. Landry—OFFICERS: J. J. Beauchamp, W. M. ; Alfred Louaillier, S. W. Ernest Bouchez, J. W. ; G. Carrière, Treas. ; D. D. Arden, Sec'y ; J. A. McMillen, S. D. ; L. Desbrest, J. D. ; H. Bodemüller, Tyler—48 members.

*Initiated*—Daniel D. Arden, Louis Desbrest. *Passed*—D. D. Arden, L. Desbrest. *Raised*—D. D. Arden, L. Desbrest, C. C. Picket. *Affiliated*—W. Kory. *Died*—Thos. H. Lewis. *Re-instated*—A. M. Perault.

ST. ALBANS LODGE No. 28—Jackson, East Feliciana—OFFICERS: W. T. Rogillio, W. M. ; F. V. D. Hagaman, S. W. ; M. Oppenheimer, J. W. ; H. Reinburg, Treas. ; E. C. Kiblinger, Sec'y ; W. C. Matingly, S. D. ; H. J. Simmons, J. D. ; J. G. Rogillio, Tyler—54 members.

*Initiated*—C. H. Todd. *Passed*—C. H. Todd. *Raised*—C. H. Todd. *Affiliated*—J. M. Pugh, J. H. Small. *Demitted*—P. E. Green. *Died*—R. Hammer.

FELICIANA LODGE No. 31—St. Francisville, West Feliciana—OFFICERS: Samuel J. Powell, W. M.; Rob't Hale, S. W.; Felix V. Leake, J. W.; Chas. Storer, Treas.; Chas. Hofman, Sec'y; G. M. Miller, S. D.; S. H. Cotten, J. D.; Wm. Town, Tyler—47 members.

*Raised*—S. H. Cotten. *Demitted*—L. B. Johnson, L. T. Maddox, D. L. McLaughlin. *Died*—Jesse Barkdull. *Stricken from the Roll*—P. W. Chase, A. J. Dye, T. Helverston, C. E. Hosca, J. W. Hillen, Jacob J. Meyers, J. N. Maynard, Samuel Parr, Peter Randolph, Jas. A. Scott, V. Vaughan.

PHENIX LODGE No. 38—Natchitoches—OFFICERS: John S. Levy, W. M.; Wm. Payne, S. W.; Geo. W. Holloway, J. W.; C. L. Walmsley, Treas.; C. Chaplin, Jr., Sec'y; F. Metoyer, S. D.; D. S. G. Williams, J. D.; T. J. Stimpson, Tyler—50 members.

*Initiated*—Thos. H. Airey, D. S. Clare. *Affiliated*—S. M. Cade. *Demitted*—John B. Smith.

FOYER MAÇONNIQUE LODGE No. 44—Rampart street, between Main and St. Philip streets, New Orleans—OFFICERS: U. Marinoni, W. M.; H. T. B. Pain, S. W.; F. Gonthier, J. W.; T. Llado, Treas.; P. Brugier, Jr., Sec'y; N. Amodeo, S. D.; T. Fick, J. D.; P. Brugier, Sr., Tyler—65 members.

*Initiated*—Lorenzo Marasceulo, Hermann Stein. *Passed*—L. Marasceulo, L. Stein. *Raised*—L. Marasceulo. *Affiliated*—S. H. Panzeno. *Demitted*—F. C. Chiffel, C. Papini, W. A. Shuermann. *Stricken from the Roll*—M. Cantoni.

JACKSON LODGE No. 45—Greenwood, Caddo Parish—OFFICERS: A. Flournoy, Sr., W. M.; J. D. Whitworth, S. W.; E. H. Baugh, J. W.; Alonzo Flournoy, Treas.; J. A. McRady, Sec'y; A. H. Bridges, S. D.; T. W. Smith, J. D.; M. Roth, Tyler—35 members.

*Initiated*—1860: Richard Basseau, J. H. Ish, R. R. Rodin; 1861: B. Lindsay, John D. Rudd, J. S. Schumpert, J. J. Yealock. *Passed*—1860: R. Basseau, Thos. J. Sharp; 1861: J. H. Ish, R. R. Rodin, J. D. Rudd, J. S. Schumpert. *Raised*—1860: R. Basseau, T. J. Sharp; 1861: J. D. Rudd, J. S. Schumpert. *Affiliated*—1860: Hugh Currin, Sanford B. McCutcheon. *Died*—1860: W. N. Head, V. D. Metcalf.

GERMANIA LODGE No. 46—St. Louis street, near Claiborne, New Orleans—OFFICERS: Peter Jensen, W. M.; J. L. Kaiser, S. W.; Chris. Wild, J. W.; J. J. Schwarz, Treas.; Chs. Fischer, Sec'y; H. Vullrath, S. D.; D. Heilbrun, J. D.; N. Droegge, Tyler—75 members.

*Initiated*—Adolph Boehm, J. W. Deuerling, H. W. Frommegee, Isidore Grunthal, J. H. Langemann, Wm. Wimmer. *Passed*—Jacob Becker, J. W. Deuerling, H. W. Frommegee, I. Grunthal, J. H. Langemann, G. Steenken, W. Wimmer. *Raised*—Nicholas Arnhalt, J. Becker, J. W. Deuerling, H. W. Frommegee, I. Grunthal, W. Hartmann, J. H. Langemann, G. Steenken, W. Wimmer. *Affiliated*—Chs. Fischer, Joseph Kirchmeyer. *Died*—A. Guyold. *Stricken from the Roll*—J. G. Abry, W. Fürbringer, C. Gottschalk, L. Openheim, L. Springer.

ST. JAMES LODGE No. 47—Baton Rouge—OFFICERS: George A. Pike, W. M.; Solomon M. Asher, S. W.; Andrew Bradford, J. W.; Wm. S. Pike, Treas.; Joseph McCormick, Sec'y.; Amos J. Fullshire, S. D.; H. Higgins, J. D.; W. G. Reader, Tyler—63 members.

*Initiated*—Richard Lambert, Joseph Walker. *Passed*—R. Lambert, J. Walker. *Raised*—R. Lambert, J. Walker. *Affiliated*—H. Higgins, W. E. M. Lienfield, Wm. Bogel. *Demitted*—A. M. Crozier, T. Goldman, J. B. Groves, F. C. Lallier, A. Penniston. *Died*—T. G. Morgan. *Stricken from the Roll*—Jas. Hutches, J. G. Washington. *Suspended indefinitely*—Sidney F. Blanchard. *Reinstated*—A. Penniston.

PROVIDENCE LODGE No. 50—Lake Providence—No Returns.

MINDEN LODGE No. 51—Minden, Claiborne Parish—OFFICERS: J. W. Berry, W. M.; L. Rathbun, S. W.; A. J. Reynolds, J. W.; Chas. E. Lucas, Treas.; A. Landsberg, Sec'y; T. J. Gassaway, S. D.; H. Ratcliffe, J. D.; S. S. Allen, Tyler—64 members.

*Initiated*—Wm. O. Burns, James Philipps. *Affiliated*—S. B. Miller, L. Rathbun. *Demitted*—James F. Mooty. *Died*—S. R. Clinton, R. Maxey.

OLIVE LODGE No. 52—Clinton, East Feliciana—OFFICERS: G. W. Munday, W. M.; G. H. Packwood, S. W.; E. W. Barnes, J. W.; S. Kahn, Treas.; J. G. D'Armond, Sec'y; T. W. Bishop, S. D.; C. A. Rist, J. D.; C. Bilger, Tyler—91 members.

*Initiated*—J. L. Chapman, Lawson T. Rheames. *Passed*—Jas. F. Dupriest, L. T. Rheames. *Raised*—Samuel J. Chance, J. F. Dupriest, L. T. Rheames. *Affiliated*—J. A. Godfrey. *Died*—John V. Brown, Wm. H. Cobb, W. B. Sessions (E. A.)

UNION FRATERNAL LODGE No. 53—Farmerville, Union Parish—OFFICERS: Henry Regenburg, W. M.; Moses S. Carson, S. W.; Joseph Baker, J. W.; Wm. C. Hall, Treas.; Wm. C. Smith, Sec'y; John L. Barrett, S. D.; David Arent, J. D.; P. H. McVicker, Tyler—39 members.

*Initiated*—H. H. Biedenham, Jacob Shlenker, Wesley W. Guthrie. *Passed*—H. H. Biedenham, J. Shlenker. *Raised*—H. H. Biedenham, T. M. Keels, T. C. Lewis, J. Shlenker. *Affiliated*—Joseph Baker, W. H. Rossiter, James E. Tremble. *Demitted*—N. Betterton, H. H. Biedenham, T. M. Keels, Jas. Pearson, R. F. Rabun. *Died*—E. B. Winds.

MOUNT GERIZIM LODGE No. 54—Bastrop, Morehouse Parish—OFFICERS: J. H. Traylor, W. M.; D. M. Holt, S. W.; R. H. Jones, J. W.; G. D. Sharp, Treas.; S. W. Reily, Sec'y; J. L. Pratt, S. D.; R. M. Routon, J. D.; G. F. Tisdale, Tyler—35 members.

*Initiated*—M. W. Bradford, James S. Donnard, T. W. Hunsicker. *Passed*—J. S. Donnard. *Raised*—J. S. Donnard. *Affiliated*—D. M. Holt, S. W. Reily, R. M. Routon. *Demitted*—J. G. Wiseman, J. R. Cameron (F. C.). *Died*—Jno. E. S. Hough.

DE SOTO LODGE No. 55—Mansfield, DeSoto Parish. No officers elected.—71 members.

*Demitted*—W. J. Davis, W. T. Gibson, S. D. Parker, J. H. Sheppard, Wm. Sebastian. *Died*—Hamilton Sloan.

LAFAYETTE LODGE No. 56—Vernon, Jackson Parish—OFFICERS: John C. Jones, W. M.; John W. Jones, S. W.; S. Trask, J. W.; Wm. Lewis, Treas.; E. A. Wilson, Sec'y; P. H. L. Hargrove, S. D.; W. W. Sexton, J. D.; R. B. Everett, Tyler—66 members.

*Initiated*—J. M. Brown, B. B. Blount, Wm. Bullard, J. R. Clark, B. O. Clark, E. Foster, J. L. Helm, J. S. Sledge, A. W. West. *Passed*—W. Bullard, J. R. Clark, B. O. Clark, J. S. Sledge. *Raised*—J. R. Clark, B. O. Clark, J. S. Sledge. *Affiliated*—M. B. Byars, J. L. Jones, John Sykes, J. M. Steagall. *Demitted*—J. J. Prestridge, A. Womack; 1860, S. E. Hart. *Died*—J. A. Kennedy, Joseph R. Ryan, Thos. G. Upchurch. *Stricken from the Roll*—W. A. Bryan, Jas. R. Barr, Wm. Barnes, B. O. Clark, M. G. Clark, M. A. Childs, B. L. Defreese, Thos. Glass, C. A. C. Herlong, J. L. Jones, D. H. Kennedy, J. A. Miles, D. McVicker, J. C. Pierson, Wade Pool, T. F. Wilson.

FRANKLIN LODGE No. 57—Franklin, Parish of St. Mary—OFFICERS: John C. Gordy, W. M.; Alpheus L. Tucker, S. W.; Mayer Mayer, J. W.; Wilson McKerrall, Treas.; Joseph V. Fournery, Sec'y; Felix U. Levy, S. D.; A. J. Loeb, J. D.; Jas. S. Black, Tyler—48 members.

*Initiated*—J. B. Boneno, A. J. Loeb, S. Mayer, Auguste Wendell, R. A. Crossman, John Schartz, Abe Smith. *Passed*—J. Barter, J. B. Boneno, R. A. Crossman, A. J. Loeb, S. Mayer, A. Wendell. *Raised*—J. B. Boneno, A. J. Loeb, S. Mayer, C. Robert, A. Wendell.

FRIENDS OF HARMONY LODGE No. 58—Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, New Orleans—OFFICERS: John H. Clark, W. M.; J. O. DeCastro, S. W.; T. J. O'Regan, J. W.; H. Williams, Treas.; A. DeSola, Sec'y; W. H. Holland, S. D.; N. K. Ellsworth, J. D.; Wm. Trelford, Tyler—110 members.

*Initiated*—Frederic Eideman, James Davis, John Goodwin, Stephen Vidoevich. *Passed*—F. Eideman. *Stricken from the Roll*—A. B. Baker, A. Charier, A. J. Cortissoz, C. Crampon, A. H. L. Diaz, J. B. Lockwood, Robert Moody, F. A. von Moschizisker, J. Myers, S. Morris, L. J. Solomon, R. D. Smith, R. R. Stidger.

MOUNT MORIAH LODGE No. 59—Odd Fellows' Hall, N. O.—OFFICERS: John Booth, W. M.; F. W. Delesdernier, S. W.; W. D. Bedford, J. W.; Wm. McCulloch, Treas.; Jas. Furneaux, Sec'y; Wm. Ewing, S. D.; J. H. Eckert, J. D.; P. Monsen, Tyler—247 members.

*Initiated*—W. D. Andrews, B. G. Adams, J. B. Chandler, A. Campbell, P. Engman, J. H. Farley, W. M. Grant, J. R. Hurd, James McLaughlin, H. Peterson, D. Snider, E. Stockbridge, T. J. Stewart, E. Toby, P. Thompson. *Passed*—B. G. Adams, W. D. Andrews, H. Bausher, J. B. Chandler, A. Campbell, P. Engman, Chas. Florat, W. M. Grant, H. T. Hill, George C. Miller, Jas. McLaughlin, D. Snider,



P. Thompson. *Raised*—W. D. Andrews, H. Bausher, J. B. Chandler, A. Campbell, P. Engman, C. Florat, W. M. Grant, H. T. Hill, G. C. Miller, Jas. McLaughlin, W. W. Ryan, H. Sheridan, D. Snider, P. Thompson. *Affiliated*—A. L. Bleau, R. J. Harp, Jos. Knox, A. Veesart. *Demitted*—H. M. Barlow, E. Chevalier, B. Campbell, Thomas Cripps, R. W. Estlin, J. L. Harris, S. C. Michell, J. C. Rose, A. C. Roberts, John Slemmer. *Died*—H. Meyer, Thomas McBurney, Walter Nicol, J. L. Titus; 1860, J. Morehouse. *Stricken from the Roll*—J. W. Boyle, C. Bleymann, F. Byington, C. Biglione, S. A. Berry, J. B. Cheesborough, C. H. Chase, W. B. Cook, J. Cullen, R. F. Cardella, J. W. Drinkwater, R. W. Duke, C. W. Ewing, W. E. Flanders, L. Gagnet, J. M. Howell, W. P. Hill, J. Heald, A. Jones, Isaac Jacobs, W. D. Lee, J. Larbalestier, G. W. H. Marr, C. E. Mortimer, M. J. Mulliken, P. Magee, A. Nye, A. Payson, E. Pendleton, J. C. Pooley, E. M. Ross, W. E. Redding, G. V. Rutherford, C. A. Storer, J. T. Stockton, J. K. Sprague, R. C. Vass, J. B. Westerberg, J. T. Baldwin, J. B. Gilmore.

WESTERN STAR LODGE No. 61—Monroe, Ouachita Parish—OFFICERS: Joseph F. McGuire, W. M.; Joseph Hoffman, S. W.; Daniel B. Herron, J. W.; O. Jones, Treas.; Rev. John A. McGuire, Sec'y and Chaplain; John M. Adams, S. D.; Chas. Delery, J. D.; P. Ezelius, Tyler—53 members.

*Initiated*—John Kiefer, John F. Ferguson. *Passed*—J. Kiefer. *Raised*—J. Kiefer. *Affiliated*—John M. Adams, Daniel B. Herron. *Died*—Wm. Hughes, John W. Parker.

TUNICA LODGE No. 63—Tunica Landing—OFFICERS: Henry Hobgood, W. M.; John J. Seeders, S. W.; W. B. White, J. W.; W. B. Keller, Treas.; W. T. Cox, Sec'y; R. Day, S. D.; George W. Burgess, J. D.; D. Leatherman, Tyler—28 members.

*Initiated*—Loring R. Virgin. *Affiliated*—David Duncan. *Stricken from the Roll*—George A. Curry, J. B. Hicks, James Smith. *Reinstated*—George W. Burgess.

GEORGE WASHINGTON LODGE No. 65—Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, New Orleans—OFFICERS: Gustavus Sontag, W. M.; Warren Davis, S. W.; John Biguenet, J. W.; Wm. Steffens, Treas.; Jas. B. Scot, Sec'y; Rev. C. S. Hedges, Chaplain; Wm. H. Lewis, S. D.; H. Hamburger, J. D.; Wm. Cline, Tyler—113 members.

*Initiated*—Thomas N. Boylan, James Isard, William H. Lewis, Thos. M. Ure. *Passed*—T. N. Boylan, J. Isard, W. H. Lewis, T. M. Ure. *Raised*—T. N. Boylan, J. Isard, W. H. Lewis, T. M. Ure. *Affiliated*—Wm. Carson, F. A. Dentzell, A. Donnaud, Joseph F. Dick, Joseph R. Turck. *Demitted*—Alex. Boulet, Jas. Isard, Richd. Milliken, W. A. Wilson, David Wood. *Died*—Peter E. Jarret, Samuel G. Risk. *Stricken from the Roll*—J. B. Donniker, Joseph Duffy, John B. Harris, W. K. Johnson, Richard Jones, Wm. M. Neely, H. S. Reynaud, H. M. Summers, W. C. Templeton, George J. Weaver, C. W. White. *Suspended indefinitely*—Geo. Bleakley. *Reinstated*—J. R. Dickson.

**DUDLEY LODGE No. 66**—Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, N. O.—**OFFICERS:** S. I. Guillet, W. M.; H. F. Hall, S. W.; E. M. Ivens, J. W.; T. D. Van Horn, Treas.; J. W. Shearer, Sec'y; T. B. Bodley, S. D.; J. H. Gennison, J. D.; J. B. Scot (not a member), Tyler—86 members.

*Initiated*—James Arbuckle, T. B. Bodley, D. C. Canter, W. J. Mason, H. V. McCall, H. D. Schmidt, C. Thompson, T. J. White, M. Woods, G. P. Work. *Passed*—J. Arbuckle, J. H. Burton, T. B. Bodley, John Bevans, W. J. Mason, P. H. Taylor, G. P. Work. *Raised*—J. Arbuckle, J. H. Burton, T. B. Bodley, G. P. Work. *Affiliated*—W. G. Bradford, J. B. Griffith, J. T. Reeder, S. J. Seymour. *Demitted*—D. H. Burke. *Died*—R. S. Brown. *Stricken from the Roll*—A. L. Edwards, W. A. B. Murray.

**MARION LODGE No. 68**—Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, N. O.—**OFFICERS:** Daniel E. Scruggs, W. M.; Joshua Jackson, S. W.; Joseph P. Hornor, J. W.; Artemon Hill, Treas.; Richard H. Browne, Sec'y; Levy Nathans, S. D.; George Bain, J. D.; Jas. B. Scot (not a member), Tyler—115 members.

*Initiated*—Isidore Levi. *Passed*—Charles Clark, I. Levi. *Raised*—C. Clark, I. Levi, Levy Nathans. *Affiliated*—Wm. F. Sylvester. *Demitted*—W. J. Freeman. *Died*—Joseph Hufty, M. Riordan. *Re-instated*—J. M. Weymouth.

**HIRAM LODGE No. 70**—Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, N. O.—**OFFICERS:** Timothy Carroll, W. M.; E. Heidingsfelder, S. W.; Joseph Pincus, J. W.; Wm. Davis, Treas.; John Kellet, Sec'y; Robert McKenzie, S. D.; Ed. Lublin, J. D.; Henry Cruice, Tyler—72 members.

*Initiated*—Hugh Breen, John Doig, Tobias Hochstein, John Jeffrey, F. H. Kemp, Ed. Lublin, W. H. Marshall. *Passed*—H. Breen, T. Hochstein, F. H. Kemp, E. Lublin, W. H. Marshall. *Raised*—H. Breen, T. Hochstein, F. H. Kemp, E. Lublin. *Affiliated*—Thomas Hansen, Louis Zinsor. *Demitted*—R. R. Hunt, Edw. Hunt. *Died*—P. J. McGuire, A. R. Robertson. *Stricken from the Roll*—J. A. Boekler, S. Gardner, B. Moreau.

**ALPHA HOME LODGE No. 72**—Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, N. O.—**OFFICERS:** J. C. Batchelor, W. M.; S. L. Bishop, S. W.; J. A. Douglass, J. W.; W. L. Williams, Treas.; D. F. Mitchell, Sec'y; E. M. Kerr, S. D.; J. Anderson, J. D.; Jas. B. Scot (not a member), Tyler—67 members.

*Initiated*—J. C. Smith, George Vettors. *Passed*—David Bruce, F. G. Bateman, S. P. Farwell, W. G. Morehead, G. Vettors. *Raised*—Philip H. Haughlin. *Affiliated*—James W. Seymour, L. A. Jennings. *Stricken from the Roll*—J. M. Bockius, S. Gensler, P. F. Mancosos, P. C. Perrett. *Reinstated*—L. Trabue.

**SABINE LODGE No. 75**—Fort Jesup, Sabine Parish—**OFFICERS:** Charles Beck, W. M.; Lesley Barbee, S. W.; M. B. Thompson, J. W.; John Harris, Treas.; R. A. Forbis, Sec'y; H. S. Kenedy, S. D.; Riley Stoker, J. D.; Josiah Martin, Tyler—41 members.

*Initiated*—Thos. C. Evans, Henry T. Mems. *Passed*—T. C. Evans, H. T. Mems, Thos. H. Swisson. *Raised*—T. C. Evans, H. T. Mems, T. H. Swisson. *Affiliated*—John Kennedy. *Died*—Eli Biles.

QUITMAN LODGE No. 76—Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, N. O.—  
OFFICERS: Theron A. Bartlette, W. M.; Isaac W. Homan, S. W.; J. T. Hill, J. W.; Thomas C. Herndon, Treas.; Richard S. Venables, Sec'y; F. F. Proctor, S. D.; Solomon Silverstein, J. D.; Erastus Wells (not a member), Tyler—103 members.

*Initiated*—Wm. Emerson, J. G. Fleming, P. F. Herwig, J. B. Warner. *Passed*—Wm. Emerson, J. G. Fleming, P. F. Erwig. *Raised*—J. G. Fleming, P. F. Herwig. *Affiliated*—C. Keller. *Demitted*—C. H. Churchill, H. L. Fisk, H. J. Martin, P. H. Thomson. *Died*—R. C. Armistead, James Haughery, B. Seton. *Suspended indefinitely*—Samuel F. Palmer.

MOUNT MORIAH LODGE No. 77—Port Hudson, East Feliciana. Returns received since close of Grand Lodge—OFFICERS: R. W. Troth, W. M.; L. Bloom, S. W.; A. G. Carter, J. W.; J. Flenacher, Treas.; J. W. Fuqua, Sec'y; C. T. Sewell, S. D.; James Z. Kendrick, J. D.; John C. Argo, Tyler—27 members.

*Died*—G. W. Pernell.

ORLEANS LODGE No. 78—Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, N. O.—  
OFFICERS: S. B. Churchill, W. M.; C. F. Hufft, S. W.; D. Hunter, J. W.; James Fernon, Treas.; J. M. Winslow, Sec'y; John Ward, S. D.; C. C. Bridges, J. D.; B. J. Wolf, Tyler—65 members.

*Initiated*—E. Stafford, J. D. Stafford. *Passed*—J. B. Graham. *Raised*—J. B. Graham. *Demitted*—A. Donnaud, H. Goodrich, W. D. Weston. *Died*—J. F. Kearney. *Stricken from the Roll*—J. A. Soellner. *Expelled*—J. F. Morton.

ST. JOSEPH LODGE No. 79—St. Joseph, Tensas Parish.—Charter forfeited.

DE WITT CLINTON LODGE No. 80.—Marion, Union Parish—No Returns.

MOUNT VERNON LODGE No. 83—Logansport, De Soto Parish. No Returns.

OLIVER LODGE No. 84—Alexandria, Rapides Parish—OFFICERS: Wm. B. Hyman, W. M.; Benj. Weil, S. W.; James Graham, J. W.; G. W. Barrett, Treas.; Rosemond Legras, Sec'y; W. O. Damon, S. D.; Julius Levin, J. D.; A. Hilton, Tyler—38 members.

*Initiated*—James Graham, J. D. Kenton. *Passed*—W. T. Cummings, J. Graham, H. Robertson. *Raised*—W. T. Cummings, J. Graham. *Demitted*—Henry Osborne. *Died*—B. F. Fulton, O. N. Ogden.

LAFAYETTE LODGE No. 87—Pattersonville, Parish of St. Mary—OFFICERS: Nelson Keyes, W. M.; T. S. Alexander, S. W.;

John M. Rogers, J. W.; O. A. Fleurot, Treas.; Bernard Levy, Sec'y; J. M. Cochran, S. D.; A. Dugay, J. D.; A. Como, Tyler—37 members.

*Initiated*—J. M. Charpantier, A. W. Goodloe, J. A. Hartman, W. C. Kurgkendall, J. R. Smith, H. Shoulte. *Passed*—J. M. Charpantier, A. W. Goodloe, J. A. Hartman, W. C. Kurgkendall, J. R. Smith, H. Shoulte. *Raised*—J. M. Charpantier, A. W. Goodloe, H. M. Huntington, J. A. Hartman, W. C. Kurgkendall, J. B. Rodgers, J. R. Smith, H. Shoulte. *Demitted*—J. M. Miller, W. M. Reims.

MANY LODGE No. 88—Many, Sabine Parish—OFFICERS: William B. Stille, W. M.; John W. Eason, S. W.; A. R. Mitchell, J. W.; J. D. Stille, Treas.; S. A. Eason Sec'y; Wm. T. Alford, S. D.; Elijah Roberts, J. D.; Wm. H. Edmonson, Tyler—23 members.

*Initiated*—J. H. Patterson. *Passed*—J. H. Patterson. *Affiliated*—A. R. Mitchell. *Stricken from the Roll*—N. B. Alford, Solomon Arthur, G. W. Morris, R. A. Sibley.

CYPRESS LODGE No. 89—Collinsburg, Bossier Parish—OFFICERS: Wm. M. Sentell, W. M.; J. T. Roundtree, S. W.; H. T. Ridens, J. W.; N. A. Cooper, Treas.; J. S. Shaw, Sec'y; Wm. Stanley, S. D.; J. L. C. Graham, J. D.; Wm. Hall, Tyler—54 members

*Initiated*—J. G. Currey, H. L. Cooper, J. D. Larrance, J. P. Straham, W. E. Scriber, S. Wallace, John F. Winston. *Passed*—J. G. Currey, H. L. Cooper, J. D. Larrance, J. P. Straham, John F. Winston. *Raised*—J. G. Curry, H. L. Cooper. *Affiliated*—H. P. Norman, William Stanley, J. T. Roundtree. *Died*—William Avick, W. L. Doles, B. H. Nelson. *Expelled*—John A. Taite. *Reinstated*—Joseph Stinson.

THIBODAUX BENEVOLENT LODGE No. 90—Thibodaux, Lafourche Interior—OFFICERS: Bannon C. Thibodaux, W. M.; Francis L. Mead, S. W.; Thos. Supple, J. W.; Chas. H. Grünberg, Treas.; Allen Dedrick, Sec'y; Chas. C. Williams, S. D.; William H. Ragan, J. D.; Owen Conlan, Tyler—38 members.

*Initiated*—J. J. Stewart, M. T. Bernard, W. H. Ragan. *Passed*—W. H. Ragan. *Raised*—W. H. Ragan. *Demitted*—O. Babin, J. Harland. *Died*—M. Birdsall, J. M. Crawford. *Stricken off the Roll*—J. L. Cole, J. S. Perkins, S. Tenny, J. C. White.

MONTICELLO LODGE No. 92—Monticello, Carroll Parish—OFFICERS: C. B. Richardson, W. M.; S. D. Oliver, S. W.; W. T. C. Anderson, J. W.; C. T. Motley, Treas.; J. W. Draughon, Sec'y; J. M. Gaddis, S. D.; L. J. Land, J. D.; S. Neill, Tyler—65 members.

*Initiated*—W. R. Cheatham, W. C. Horton, Peter W. S. Longmine, J. C. Massey. *Passed*—H. C. Ellis, W. C. Horton, Augustus Lyon, P. W. S. Longmine, J. C. Massey, E. R. Travis, George H. Wade. *Raised*—James Cummins, Walker L. DeFrance, H. C. Ellis, Cyrus E. Guy, Newton Holland, W. C. Horton, A. Lyon, P. W. S. Longmine, E. R. Travis, G. H. Wade. *Died*—Wm. C. Pack, Levin Vinson.

**NAPOLEON LODGE No. 94**—Marion, Union Parish—**OFFICERS:** L. K. Thomas, W. M.; Sam'l Smith, S. W.; J. H. Robertson, J. W.; James M. Turner, Treas.; Benj. Ford, Sec'y; E. A. Rippence, S. D.; S. E. Barr, J. D.; T. Robinson, Tyler—23 members.

*Initiated*—S. Chapman, T. H. Green, W. A. Kirkpatrick, E. A. Rippence, S. Sawyer. *Passed*—S. Chapman, T. H. Green, W. A. Kirkpatrick, T. H. Roberson, E. A. Rippence, S. Sawyer. *Raised*—S. Chapman, T. H. Green, W. A. Kirkpatrick, J. H. Roberson, E. A. Rippence, S. Sawyer. *Affiliated*—C. M. Smith.

**ST. HELENA LODGE No. 96**—Greensburg, St. Helena Parish—**OFFICERS:** W. A. Carter, W. M.; W. W. Carter, S. W.; J. B. McClendon, J. W.; J. A. Williams, Treas.; W. A. Gill, Sec'y; H. E. Williams, S. D.; W. R. Parker, J. D.; J. A. Richardson, Tyler—62 members.

*Initiated*—Thos. Back. *Passed*—W. M. Mott. *Raised*—W. M. Mott, H. E. Williams. *Died*—J. L. Belue.

**HERMITAGE LODGE No. 98**—Corner of Philip and Magazine streets, New Orleans—**OFFICERS:** Thos. Burden, W. M.; Wm. Weber, S. W.; Clement Brown, J. W.; Fred. Hanton, Treas.; P. L. Bulocq, Sec'y; Daniel Wilson, S. D.; John Miller, J. D.; Chas. Overkamp, Tyler—48 members.

*Initiated*—Philip Winfred. *Passed*—J. W. Robinson. *Raised*—James S. Moody, J. W. Robinson. *Died*—J. U. Green.

**HENDERSON LODGE No. 99**—Cotile, Rapides Parish—**OFFICERS:** Lewis Texada, W. M.; John J. Myers, S. W.; Thos. Richardson, J. W.; W. C. James, Treas.; Thos. McNeely, Sec'y; M. N. Carnahan, S. D.; J. W. Texada, J. D.; J. S. Boswell, Tyler—17 members—No Work.

**FRANKLINTON LODGE No. 101**—Franklinton, Washington Parish—**OFFICERS:** C. P. Baily, W. M.; H. T. Burkhalter, S. W.; J. A. Erwin, J. W.; S. W. Bickham, Treas.; D. H. Stringfield, Sec'y; J. Brumfield, S. D.; I. J. Pounds, J. D.; John L. Crow, Tyler—50 members.

*Initiated*—William Lee. *Passed*—N. Graves. *Raised*—Josiah Brumfield, R. G. Griffith, John Spring, Wm. Turner. *Demitted*—J. M. Simmons. *Died*—Angus Boie.

**LOUISIANA LODGE No. 102**—Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, New Orleans—No Returns.

**CLOUTIERVILLE LODGE No. 103**—Cloutierville, Natchitoches Parish—**OFFICERS:** Samuel O. Scruggs, W. M.; Robert S. Rogers, S. W.; Alexis Moreau, J. W.; John W. Roper, Treas.; Myer Meyers, Sec'y; John Carnahan, Jr., S. D.; Pierre Moreau, J. D.; Thomas Lowe, Tyler—12 members.

*Initiated*—Pierre Boudry, Joseph Gandolfi. *Died*—T. P. Sharp. *Stricken from the Roll*—Wm. Carnahan (1860).

MOUNT LEBANON LODGE No. 104—Mount Lebanon, Bienville Parish—OFFICERS: John G. Randle, W. M.; John Brice, S. W.; J. H. Walker, J. W.; W. L. Candler, Treas.; J. C. Rogers, Sec'y; W. B. Prothro, S. D.; M. W. Key, J. D.; B. H. Stall, Tyler—19 members.

*Initiated*—J. L. Green. *Passed*—J. L. Green. *Raised*—J. L. Green, B. H. Stall. *Suspended indefinitely*—R. A. Key, F. N. Vassalla.

TRINITY LODGE No. 105—Trinity, Catahoula Parish—OFFICERS: W. W. Risher, W. M.; W. H. Thomas, S. W.; S. Thomas, J. W.; S. Shlenker, Treas.; T. Cohen, Sec'y; E. H. Cobb, S. D.; Wm. Dampier, J. D.; J. W. R. Turner, Tyler—49 members.

*Initiated*—T. Cohen, W. H. Hook, W. T. Morris, J. Miller, Wm. Otis, F. M. Patton. *Passed*—T. Cohen, W. H. Hook, W. T. Morris. *Raised*—J. Brannin, S. D. Crossgrove, E. H. Cobb, T. Cohen, W. H. Hook, W. T. Morris, H. Spinks. *Demitted*—J. H. Boatner; 1860, T. M. Morris, J. R. Wooldridge. *Stricken from the Roll*—J. G. Brooks, J. B. Gibson, J. C. Godwin, R. G. Gibson, P. Haynes, J. C. Hughes, W. H. Hook, P. Kiger, J. R. B. Kiper, A. J. Liddell, F. Routh, M. W. Stewart, R. P. White, F. H. Wharton.

VIENNA LODGE No. 106—Vienna, Jackson Parish—OFFICERS: M. P. Quinn, W. M.; G. W. Dobbins, S. W.; J. E. Vining, J. W.; John Huey, Treas.; A. B. C. Winfrey, Sec'y; Albert Robinson, S. D.; P. D. Scarborough, J. D.; W. C. Calcote, Tyler—53 members.

*Initiated*—W. W. Green. *Passed*—W. W. Green, Thos. Woodward, *Raised*—W. W. Green. *Affiliated*—W. B. Morgan, R. J. McLeroy, T. W. Pool, J. H. Seals. *Stricken from the Roll*—Wm. Burgess, J. H. Stephens, W. J. Smith. *Demitted*—R. P. Goodwin (1860).

SPARTA LODGE No. 108—Sparta, Bienville Parish—OFFICERS: J. C. McCrary, W. M.; H. N. Dubose, S. W.; John L. Pearce, J. W.; L. Eldridge, Treas.; W. P. Kimball, Sec'y; A. Stall, S. D.; R. W. Woolley, J. D.; W. B. Looney, Tyler—52 members.

*Initiated*—J. J. Dyess, J. A. Long, Amos Shively; 1860, L. G. Barron, Jesse Cox, J. O. Long, W. M. Lowe, A. Powell, A. G. Rushing, E. Raborn, A. Stall, G. W. Wilkerson, B. H. Williams, John Warren. *Passed*—L. G. Barron, J. O. Long, S. C. Prothro; 1860, J. Cox, A. Powell, A. G. Rushing, E. Raborn, A. Stall, J. Warren, G. W. Wilkerson, B. H. Williams. *Raised*—L. G. Barron, S. C. Prothro, A. Stall, J. Warren; 1860, J. Cox, A. Powell, A. G. Rushing, E. Raborn, G. W. Wilkerson, B. H. Williams. *Affiliated*—W. P. Kimball, E. J. McCrary; 1860, J. H. Allen, Leroy Curry, James Collinsworth. *Demitted*—E. B. O'Neal, S. C. Prothro, W. M. Prothro, W. A. Williamson, A. Williamson; 1860, B. A. Baker. *Died*—1860, Leroy Curry, James P. Dyess. *Suspended*—1860, W. H. Hines.

CASTOR LODGE No. 109—Castor, Caldwell Parish—Returns received since close of Grand Lodge—OFFICERS: W. L. DeGraffenreidt, W. M.; W. E. Coats, S. W.; W. O. Morgan, J. W.; E. S.

Gomillion, Treas.; Wm. T. Nettles, Sec'y; S. Webb, S. D.; James Brown, J. D.; E. S. Gomillion, Tyler—26 members.

*Demitted*—Moses Baygents, B. R. Erwin. *Died*—J. D. Crow, (F. C.)  
*Stricken from the Roll*—G. W. Garvett, M. Haggard, John Hampton, D. B. Thomas, Wm. Womack.

**HARRISONBURG LODGE No. 110**—Harrisonburg, Catahoula Parish—No Returns.

**URIM LODGE No. 111**—Forksville, Ouachita Parish—**OFFICERS**: Wm. Thompson, W. M.; Robt. W. McClendon, S. W.; Jefferson F. Parker, J. W.; Joel E. Pucket, Treas.; James L. McCarter, Sec'y; Archibald Calhoun, S. D.; R. DeLafayette Brooks, J. D.—42 members.

*Initiated*—Robt DeLafayette Brooks. *Passed*—Samuel Smith Adams, R. DeL. Brooks. *Raised*—S. S. Adams, R. DeL. Brooks. *Re-instated*—Seneca Martin. *Demitted*—Seneca Martin, John W. Stegall. *Died*—Wm. H. Bryan.

**BARTHOLOMEW LODGE No. 112**—Plantersville, Morehouse Parish—**OFFICERS**: John McCrory, W. M.; N. S. Greenwood, S. W.; Thos. Simpson, J. W.; W. J. Avriett, Treas.; A. S. Washburn, Sec'y; W. R. Mayo, S. D.; Henry Curtis, J. D.; Nelson Delamar, Tyler—43 members.

*Initiated*—S. D. Brown. *Passed*—S. D. Brown. *Raised*—James Stewart. *Affiliated*—Henry Curtis. *Demitted*—John M. Hilliard, G. W. Hambright, John Moore, John W. Pratt; 1860, S. W. Kimbrough. *Died*—Jesse Holloway, Peter S. Miller; 1860, James A. Kimbrough. *Stricken from the Roll*—Wm. R. Jackson.

**THOMAS JEFFERSON LODGE No. 113**—Spearsville, Union Parish—**OFFICERS**: Wm. L. Spears, W. M.; Joseph R. Goyne, S. W.; Alva J. Hunt, J. W.; George R. Carroll, Treas.; Sidney H. Griffin, Sec'y; Mahlon H. Thornton, S. D.; James M. Post, J. D.; E. H. Harden, Tyler—22 members.

*Initiated*—Thomas J. Thompson. *Passed*—T. J. Thompson. *Raised*—T. J. Thompson. *Expelled*—T. J. Thompson.

**FRIENDSHIP LODGE No. 114**—Woodville, Jackson Parish—Charter surrendered.

**SHREVEPORT LODGE No. 115**—Shreveport, Caddo Parish—No Returns.

**ACACIA LODGE No. 116**—Plaquemine, Iberville Parish—**OFFICERS**: Henry S. Brown, W. M.; B. Marrienneaux, S. W.; Joseph A. Breaux, J. W.; Samuel Warden, Treas.; Alfred Hall, Sec'y; Evan Skelly, S. D.; W. R. Boote, J. D.; A. W. Scott, Tyler, 38 members.

*Initiated*—Henry Desobry, Gervais Schlater. *Passed*—G. Schlater. *Raised*—Sam'l Matthews, Randell McGavock, G. Schlater. *Affiliated*—G. B. Freeman, James Philson. *Died*—William Shanks.

MILFORD LODGE No. 117—Manchac Settlement, East Baton Rouge—OFFICERS: J. J. Freeman, W. M.; G. W. Keller, S. W.; J. P. Wilkerson, J. W.; H. Lusk, Treas.; E. Dixon, Sec'y; James De-laune, S. D.; R. T. Denham, J. D.; E. A. Dixon, Tyler—39 members.

*Initiated*—R. T. Denham, Jesse Felder, J. S. Gardner, Wm. Quine, S. E. Richardson. *Passed*—Ed. Cooper, R. T. Denham, J. Felder, J. S. Gardner, Wm. Quine, S. E. Richardson. *Raised*—R. T. Denham, J. Felder, J. S. Gardner, W. Quine, S. E. Richardson. *Affiliated*—E. Dixon.

TERRYVILLE LODGE No. 118—Quay P. O., Claiborne Parish—No Returns.

1860—*Initiated*—Wm. Mitcham. *Passed*—Wm. Mitcham. *Raised*—W. Mitcham. *Affiliated*—J. M. Beckham, C. P. Gee, H. F. Petty, S. W. Reeves, R. J. Stewart. *Suspended*—L. A. Duty.

CONSTANTINE LODGE No. 119—Waterproof, Tensas Parish—Charter surrendered Feb. 7th, 1862.

DEERFIELD LODGE No. 120—Deerfield, Carroll Parish—OFFICERS: J. H. Calloway, W. M.; W. T. Doggett, S. W.; N. S. Balph, J. W.; Warren M. Scott, Treas.; J. H. Wolfe, Sec'y; Wm. A. Bolles, S. D.; L. M. Munholland, J. D.—30 members.

*Initiated*—Samuel R. Taylor. *Passed*—S. P. Beck, S. R. Taylor. *Raised*—P. B. Fanan, J. B. Stubblefield. *Affiliated*—A. J. Walker. *Died*—Leroy Sims. *Stricken from the Roll*—John Clark, Joel McDonald, M. D. Purnell.

LISBON LODGE No. 121—Lisbon, Claiborne Parish—OFFICERS: Wm. J. Lesly, W. M.; Ephraim Carpenter, S. W.; Charles H. Tait, J. W.; James Cook, Treas.; Wm. J. Coleman, Sec'y; W. D. Hesler, S. D.; James J. Duke, J. D.; S. O. Thomas, Tyler—26 members.

*Affiliated*—J. M. P. Elliott. *Demitted*—M. D. Garlington, H. H. McClendon. *Died*—W. P. Mitchell, J. M. P. Elliott.

MACKEY LODGE No. 122—Ringgold, Bienville Parish—OFFICERS: J. D. Cawthon, W. M.; J. W. Walker, S. W.; D. H. Hayes, J. W.; H. D. Shehee, Treas.; Thos. E. Dickey, Sec'y; B. F. Thomas, S. D.; W. H. Cotter, J. D.; T. H. Burnett, Tyler—41 members.

*Initiated*—H. Anglin, P. Eldridge, J. C. Perry, H. A. Wimberly. *Passed*—H. Anglin, P. Eldridge, J. C. Perry, H. A. Wimberly. *Raised*—B. F. Thomas, H. A. Wimberly. *Affiliated*—G. W. McKee, Wm. Nelson. *Demitted*—Guy Ross.

LIBERTY LODGE No. 123—Keachi, De Soto Parish—Charter forfeited.

KELLERTOWN LODGE, No. 124—Kellertown, East Feliciana—OFFICERS: Abel J. Norwood, W. M.; Clement Gore, S. W.; S. J. Norwood, J. W.; J. A. Ramsey, Treas.; R. P. Palmer, Sec'y; C. S.



Palmer, S. D.; A. M. Palmer, J. D.; W. H. Stanley, Tyler—45 members.

*Passed*—J. E. Norwood. *Raised*—J. E. Montgomery, J. E. Norwood. *Demitted*—Benj. Graves, T. L. McGraw, R. W. Roberts, S. W. Stafford. *Died*—E. N. Coleman.

PEARL RIVER LODGE No. 125—Line Academy, (Shady Grove, P. O.) Washington Parish—OFFICERS: James Ford, W. M.; W. C. Warren, S. W.; J. A. Fornea, J. W.; Robert Daniel, Treas.; Wm. M. Rankin, Sec'y; G. F. Blackburn, S. D.; S. W. Adams, J. D.; Absalom Hardy, Tyler—48 members. *Died*—Thos. J. Bullock.

ARCADIA LODGE No. 126—Arcadia, Bienville Parish—OFFICERS: J. C. Clement, W. M.; W. T. Givens, S. W.; J. R. Butler, J. W.; R. J. Wheaton, Treas.; J. Young, Sec'y; John Herral, S. D.; R. Murphy, J. D.; J. F. Gray, Tyler—35 members.

*Initiated*—D. A. J. Caruthers, W. J. Field, R. T. Goff. *Passed*—D. A. J. Caruthers, W. J. Field, R. T. Goff. *Raised*—D. A. J. Caruthers, W. J. Field, R. T. Goff. *Affiliated*—Jas. Young. *Demitted*—Ensley Billings, R. M. Searcy. *Died*—J. D. Givens.

SPRINGHILL LODGE No. 127—Springhill Church, Union Cross Roads—OFFICERS: J. P. Everett, W. M.; G. W. Murphy, S. W.; J. T. Tommey, J. W.; W. J. Pickel, Treas.; J. W. Hopkins, Sec'y; A. W. Johnson, Chaplain; B. P. Cook, S. D.; J. H. Slade, J. D.; T. J. Garner, Tyler—49 members.

*Raised*—J. D. Gibson, Jr. *Affiliated*—J. W. Branch. *Demitted*—Geo. P. Harper. *Died*—J. D. Gibson, Jr., T. L. Moore, John Watkins, L. K. Watkins.

DAWSON LODGE No. 129—Scottsville, Claiborne Parish—OFFICERS: V. V. Thompson, W. M.; John Hardy, S. W.; S. C. Kennedy, J. W.; N. Britton, Treas.; P. C. Harper, Sec'y; R. E. Thompson, S. D.; T. W. Bruce, J. D.; W. R. Kennedy, Tyler—34 members.

*Initiated*—A. Nelson. *Passed*—A. Nelson. *Raised*—A. Nelson, Charles Vincent.

SOLOMON LODGE No. 130—Goodrich Landing, (Pecan Grove, P. O.) Carroll Parish—OFFICERS: Johnson Sale, W. M.; A. C. Smith, S. W.; Hugh Richardson, J. W.; E. M. Devine, Treas.; T. W. Lilly, Sec'y; P. H. Hannah, S. D.; J. D. Catlin, J. D.; Cyrus Bledsoe, Tyler—31 members.

*Initiated*—D. D. Byrd. *Raised*—J. C. Erwin, J. J. Owen. *Demitted*—W. F. Bledsoe, W. R. Kimball. *Died*—T. M. Evans, S. R. Walker.

SHILOH LODGE No. 131—Shiloh, Union Parish—No Returns.

WARREN LODGE No. 132—Winnsboro, Franklin Parish.—Charter forfeited.

**GORDY LODGE No. 133**—Cheneyville, Rapides Parish—**OFFICERS:** J. H. Audebert, W. M.; J. L. Pearce, S. W.; R. H. Jackson, J. W.; S. Slaughter, Treas.; G. B. Marshall, Sec'y; C. G. McCormick, S. D.; H. F. Long, J. D.; W. H. Riggs, Tyler—30 members.

*Initiated*—Maunsell Bennett, A. W. Burges, R. H. Jackson, J. W. McDonald, James L. Pearce, E. L. Tarnnier. *Passed*—M. Bennett, Thos. B. Helm, R. H. Jackson, J. W. McDonald, J. L. Pearce. *Raised*—M. Bennett, T. B. Helm, R. H. Jackson, J. W. McDonald, J. L. Pearce. *Demitted*—Wm. H. Stewart; 1860, L. K. Branch, Thos. Clements, H. B. Ferguson, J. W. Thomas, Ambrose Ward. *Stricken from the Roll*—Josiah Gale. *Died*—Vestal Gould.

**HARRY HILL LODGE No. 134**—Bastrop, Morehouse Parish—**OFFICERS:** Wm. McFee, W. M.; S. G. Parsons, S. W.; J. W. Higman, J. W.; W. Silbernagle, Treas.; Edward Starsney, Sec'y; J. H. Brodnax, S. D.; A. T. Worley, J. D.; J. F. Tisdale (not a member), Tyler—39 members.

*Passed*—G. C. Hess, J. A. Ivy. *Raised*—G. C. Hess. *Affiliated*—W. T. Bentley. *Died*—R. M. Hinson, H. B. Kemp.

**PLAINS LODGE No. 135**—Plains Store, East Baton Rouge—**OFFICERS:** H. C. Young, W. M.; J. M. Loudon, S. W.; J. R. Groom, J. W.; R. T. Young, Treas.; J. B. Whitaker, Sec'y; James McCartney, S. D.; D. H. Lusk, J. D.; A. J. Pennington, Tyler—38 members.

*Died*—Thomas McLaughlin.

**ATHENS LODGE No. 136**—Athens, Claiborne Parish—**OFFICERS:** A. H. Payne, W. M.; W. F. Bridges, S. W.; J. H. Payne, J. W.; J. R. Ramsey, Treas.; Thos. Leatherman, Sec'y; P. H. Ricks, S. D.; R. J. Bridges, J. D.; J. F. McFarland, Tyler—34 members.

*Initiated*—J. F. McFarland, J. B. Pate, John Walker, R. P. Webb. *Passed*—J. F. McFarland, J. B. Pate, J. Walker, R. P. Webb. *Raised*—J. F. McFarland, J. B. Pate, J. Walker, R. P. Webb. *Affiliated*—P. A. Aubrey, A. W. Almond, R. J. Bridges, P. H. Ricks, B. B. Webb. *Demitted*—W. F. Hardee. *Died*—A. Itchingham.

**HOUMA LODGE No. 139**—Houma, Terrebonne Parish—**OFFICERS:** W. M. Mercer, W. M.; Joseph Aycock, S. W.; Edward Cross, J. W.; E. N. du Treil, Treas.; Henry Newell, Sec'y; A. J. Delaporte, S. D.; E. O. Gagne, J. D.; N. D. Fuqua, Tyler—36 members.

*Initiated*—E. N. du Treil, James Miller Moore, M. S. Trahan. *Passed*—E. N. du Treil, J. M. Moore, M. S. Trahan. *Raised*—E. N. du Treil, J. M. Moore. *Affiliated*—John E. Patterson, J. B. Stewart. *Died*—David Phipps.

**COOL SPRING LODGE No. 140**—Cool Spring Academy, (Homer P. O.) Claiborne Parish.—No Returns.

**HUNTINGTON LODGE No. 141**—Minden, Claiborne Parish—**OFFICERS:** D. B. Doyle, W. M.; J. B. Hamilton, S. W.; P. P. Bates,

J. W.; John Chaffe, Treas.; G. R. Griggs, Sec'y; E. W. Hodges, S. D.; W. B. Bryan, J. D.; Thos. Sanders, Tyler—28 members.

*Affiliated*—John Holly. *Demitted*—M. P. McMahon. *Re-instated*—J. N. Dortch.

**DOWNSVILLE LODGE No. 143**—Downsville, Union Parish—**OFFICERS:** George A. Stinson, W. M.; Charles H. Railey, S. W.; Malcom McFarland, J. W.; Thomas J. Greer, Treas.; A. G. Calhoun, Sec'y; H. F. Stinson, S. D.; John Hinton, J. D.; John Carter, Tyler—33 Members.

*Initiated*—William S. Norris. *Passed*—W. S. Norris, Wm. M. Roberts. *Raised*—W. S. Norris. *Affiliated*—William J. Raney. *Demitted*—Austin Honeycutt. *Stricken from the Roll*—Henry D. Downs, J. S. Mixon.

**OCEAN LODGE No. 144**—Marigny Buildings, Third District, New Orleans—**OFFICERS:** Auguste Duquercron, W. M.; F. D. Bügel, S. W.; Asmus Jensen, J. W.; Howard Millspaugh, Treas.; J. A. Letten, Sec'y; William Clark, S. D.; William Low, J. D.; Charles Weeks, Tyler—67 members.

*Raised*—J. G. Breshwood, Asmus Jensen. *Demitted*—J. C. Fleischer, Leon Kohn. *Died*—C. Goetz, H. N. Kock. *Stricken from the Roll*—Peter Williams. *Suspended*—O. P. Church. J. C. Higgins, B. G. Lelienthal, J. B. Minott, Thomas Neil.

**HOPE LODGE No. 145**—Vermillionville, Lafayette Parish—**OFFICERS:** M. E. Girard, W. M.; J. J. Caffary, S. W.; A. V. Martin, J. W.; H. F. Voorhies, Treas.; Wm. Brandt, Sec'y; V. D. Martin, S. D.; L. Couret, J. D.; E. Bernard, Tyler—25 members.

*Initiated*—E. B. Crow, J. N. Judice. *Passed*—E. B. Crow, J. N. Judice, F. S. Mudd. *Raised*—William B. Bailey, E. B. Crow, J. N. Judice.

**SILENT BROTHERHOOD LODGE No. 146**—Coushatta Chute, Natchitoches Parish—**OFFICERS:** R. A. L. McCurdy, W. M.; John E. Murph, S. W.; W. H. Belcher, J. W.; A. M. Lisso, Treas.; Charles G. Marbacher, Sec'y; B. S. Lee, S. D.; J. M. Elliott, J. D.; Harrison Britt, Tyler—29 members.

*Initiated*—William S. Gordy; Benjamin F. Jones. *Passed*—W. S. Gordy, B. F. Jones, Charles G. Marbacher. *Raised*—J. M. Elliott, W. S. Gordy, C. G. Marbacher. *Affiliated*—Harrison Britt. *Demitted*—Julius Lisso. *Died*—Evanfler Gandy.

**ANACOCO LODGE No. 147**—Anacoco P. O., Sabine Parish—**OFFICERS:** N. H. Bray, W. M.; W. H. Jones, S. W.; J. J. Coles, J. W.; L. W. Smart, Treas.; M. McAlpin, Sec'y; T. B. Stephens, S. D.; J. M. Franklin, J. D.; R. A. Brown, Tyler—27 members.

*Initiated*—C. H. Mitchell.

**RED LAND LODGE No. 148**—Rocky Mount, Bossier Parish—**OFFICERS:** J. B. Campbell, W. M.; W. E. Edens, S. W.; J. M. Holloway, J. W.; A. Martin, Treas.; J. J. Swindle, Sec'y; J. G. Allen, S. D.; R. T. Holloway, J. D.; A. J. Spurlin, Tyler—39 members.

*Initiated*—Julius A. Martin, J. J. Swindle. *Passed*—J. A. Martin, J. J. Swindle. *Raised*—J. A. Martin, J. J. Swindle. *Demitted*—John Holly, B. M. Sanderson. *Died*—J. J. Knight.

DARLINGTON LODGE No. 149—Darlington, St. Helena Parish—**OFFICERS**: M. M. Collins, W. M.; Hezekiah Thompson, S. W.; Q. Ra-born, J. W.; Z. G. Norwood, Treas.; H. S. Graves, Sec'y; M. H. McCraine, S. D.; T. K. Davis, J. D.; Martin Snyder, Tyler—26 members. *Demitted*—Richard Williams. *Stricken from the Roll*—T. D. Allen, J. W. Hobgood, Moses Rogers.

PERKINS LODGE No. 150—Donaldsonville, Ascension Parish—**OFFICERS**: Thomas H. Weightman, W. M.; E. B. Cox, S. W.; Auguste Thibaut, J. W.; J. J. Claverie, Treas.; H. W. Miller, Sec'y; R. F. Taylor, S. D.; R. C. Moore, J. D.; Pierre Rougeau, Tyler—40 members.

*Initiated*—H. B. Claverie, Paul Humbert, Sylvain Lion, Victor Maurin, Auguste Thibaut. *Passed*—H. B. Claverie, P. Humbert, S. Lion, V. Maurin, A. J. Rodgers, Salomon Sterne, A. Thibaut. *Raised*—H. B. Claverie, P. Humbert, S. Lion, V. Maurin, A. J. Rodgers, Joseph Stanley, S. Sterne, A. Thibaut.

EASTERN STAR LODGE No. 151—Winnfield, Winn Parish—**OFFICERS**: William J. Edwards, W. M.; J. L. Bridges, S. W.; Dennis Mackie, J. W.; E. W. Teddler, Treas.; E. C. Martin, Sec'y; John A. Watson, S. D.; David M. Tannehill, J. D.; Thomas Davis, Tyler—74 members.

*Initiated*—J. A. Allbright, J. M. Ferguson, H. B. Goodson, W. A. S. Hogan, A. E. Lard, E. P. Martin. *Passed*—J. A. Allbright, J. S. Deen, H. B. Goodson, W. A. S. Hogan, A. E. Lard, E. P. Martin. *Raised*—J. A. Allbright, J. S. Deen, W. A. S. Hogan, J. H. Lacey, A. E. Lard, E. P. Martin. *Affiliated*—M. A. Barr, James Mabin, Jacob Shelton. *Died*—J. P. Bancks, Thomas Jenkins, S. T. Mathis, O. G. Rogers.

HOMER LODGE No. 152—Homer, Claiborne Parish—**OFFICERS**: Allen C. Hill, W. M.; F. A. Jones, S. W.; Ambrose Ward, J. W.; A. McCranie, Treas.; Ben. R. Coleman, Sec'y; H. W. Kirkpatrick, S. D.; S. O. Williams, J. D.; G. W. Thomas, Tyler—56 members.

*Initiated*—Zaccheus Lard, Amos H. Sherrill. *Passed*—A. McCranie, A. H. Sherrill. *Raised*—John M. Gwinn, A. McCranie. *Affiliated*—Thomas J. Hightower. *Demitted*—W. A. Carr, C. E. Carr, M. L. Toole, J. M. Wilson. *Died*—J. M. Wilson, Zaccheus Lard (E. A.) *Suspended indefinitely*—M. A. Cornelius.

SAINTS JOHN LODGE No. 153—Algiers, Parish of Orleans—**OFFICERS**: A. B. Seger, W. M.; Thos. K. Porter, S. W.; John O. McLean, J. W.; Jas. A. Bass, Treas.; Theophilus Thayer, Sec'y; John McCluskey, S. D.; John Brownlee, J. D.; John Brunett, Tyler—55 members.

*Initiated*—George Herbert, William Powers, J. W. Sprague. *Passed*—Henry Gerner, G. Herbert, Joseph Lennon, W. Powers, J. W. Sprague. *Raised*—William Fee, H. Gerner, G. Herbert, J. Len-

non, W. Powers, James Seerey, J. W. Sprague. *Affiliated*—Henry Carter, Wm. Dolin, J. W. Robb. *Demitted*—Thomas Hasam. *Died*—A. Fortman. *Stricken from the Roll*—J. F. Deseamus, P. W. Heaton, J. Lennon, George Miles, John Richardson.

**FILLMORE LODGE No. 154**—Fillmore, Bossier Parish—**OFFICERS**: Henry Barnacastle, W. M.; C. W. Harrell, S. W.; Godfrey Martin, J. W.; W. E. Hamilton, Treas.; James Ford, Sec'y; T. W. Bledsoe, S. D.; B. S. Edwards, J. D.; H. J. Lyons, Tyler—39 members. *Initiated*—B. S. Edwards, W. H. Hill, J. B. Saxon, W. T. Yates. *Passed*—J. C. Barton, B. S. Edwards, J. B. Saxon. *Raised*—J. C. Barton, B. S. Edwards, J. B. Saxon. *Demitted*—D. T. McDade. *Died*—J. M. Bledsoe, Wm. Rawls.

**CHERRY RIDGE LODGE No. 155**—Cherry Ridge, Union Parish—**OFFICERS**: M. T. Simmons, W. M.; George Finton, S. W.; W. T. Porter, J. W.; H. K. Elkins, Treas.; Wm. C. Carr, Sec'y; Jasper Holliway, S. D.; J. L. Guice, J. D.; S. Manning, Tyler—20 members. *Initiated*—E. J. Lee, M. L. McFarland; 1860, John Phelps. *Passed*—E. J. Lee, M. L. McFarland; 1860, J. Phelps. *Raised*—E. J. Lee, M. L. McFarland; 1860, J. Phelps. *Affiliated*—1860, Jasper Holliway. *Demitted*—1860, Jas. W. Branch, J. A. Crawford; 1859, Peter Marshall. *Suspended*—J. E. Joiner.

**KISSATCHIE LODGE No. 156**—Kissatchie, Natchitoches Parish—**OFFICERS**: Nicholas G. McNeely, W. M.; James E. Hawkins, S. W.; William Mathews, J. W.; James M. Bishop, Treas.; James J. Keys, Sec'y; James K. Phares, S. D.; George W. Cobb, J. D.; George Airhart, Tyler—26 members.

*Passed*—George W. Cobb. *Raised*—George Airhart, G. W. Cobb, Joseph T. Lynch. *Demitted*—Wm. A. Collins, J. J. Nash (1859).

**GROSSE TETE LODGE No. 157**—Rosedale P. O., Iberville Parish—**OFFICERS**: Hiram Sigler, W. M.; Sherwood B. Raby, S. W.; David McHugh, J. W.; Pierre Gellusseau, Treas.; Charles W. Pope, Sec'y; Joseph E. Bargas, S. D.; James W. Saunders, J. D.; William Briggs, Tyler—26 members.

*Initiated*—1860, Mortimer Barbee, Theodore Huguet, P. E. M. Kenna, Wm. Patrick, J. D. Worsham, Wm. J. Wallis; 1861, Theodore Johnston, George W. Woodruff. *Passed*—1860, T. Huguet, Wm. C. Lewis, P. E. M. Kenna, W. Patrick, J. D. Worsham, W. J. Wallis; 1861, G. W. Woodruff. *Raised*—1860, John M. Brooks, T. Huguet, W. C. Lewis, P. E. M. Kenna, W. Patrick, J. D. Worsham, W. J. Wallis; 1861, James W. Saunders, G. W. Woodruff. *Affiliated*—1860, Jordan Holt, John Philson, C. W. Pope, S. B. Raby, J. W. Saunders (F. C.). *Demitted*—1860, William Shanks; 1861, Samuel B. Emery. *Died*—1860, Matthew Marr.

**RAPIDES LODGE No. 158**—Huddleston P. O., Rapides Parish.—No Returns.

**MORGANZA LODGE No. 159**—Morganza, Point Coupée Parish—**OFFICERS**: John W. Newsom, W. M.; John T. Clark, S. W.; John

B. Villeret, J. W.; J. A. Morgan, Treas.; C. G. Hale, Sec'y; J. M. Bracewell, S. D.; Henry Vosburg J. D.; Charles Decoux, Tyler—55 members.

*Initiated*—Levi Bundeck, Samuel Byerly, Wm. Coster, L. Hull, E. H. Miller, O. D. Robinson. *Passed*—L. Bundeck, S. Byerly, L. Hull, N. Leonard, E. H. Miller, John W. Pilant, O. D. Robinson. *Raised*—L. Bundeck, S. Byerly, L. Hull, N. Leonard, E. H. Miller, O. D. Robinson, J. B. St. Cyr. *Demitted*—J. E. Boyce, Paul Joffrion, C. L. Comfort; Alford Brown (1860). *Died*—J. W. Pullen; R. W. McRae (1859). *Stricken from the Roll*—C. E. Hosea, J. S. Hudson, A. W. Jackson.

LIVINGSTON LODGE No. 160—Ponchitoula, Livingston Parish—OFFICERS: S. S. Hoyt, W. M.; William Akers, S. W.; William Jones, J. W.; William Hammond, Treas.; Alf. Bradley, Sec'y; J. D. Sands, S. D.; J. P. Helmicht, J. D.; W. B. Robertson, Tyler—45 members.

*Initiated*—R. L. Dunnington, S. P. Holden, Adam Lobell, W. H. Tucker. *Passed*—R. L. Dunnington, Avery Breed, C. McGahn, W. H. Tucker, J. D. Sands. *Raised*—Philip Brenen, R. L. Dunnington; C. McGahn, W. H. Tucker, J. D. Sands. *Demitted*—N. M. Bankston. *Died*—P. C. Gosselin. *Suspended*—M. T. Carter, Zelotes Tucker.

BROOKVILLE LODGE No. 161—Lake Lafourche, Morehouse Parish—OFFICERS: W. G. Myers, W. M.; D. S. Beauchamp, S. W.; C. L. McGee, J. W.; J. E. McGowan, Treas.; J. H. Jones, Sec'y; J. H. P. Eastman, S. D.; J. J. Eason, J. D.; Joseph Dennis, Tyler—36 members.

*Initiated*—J. C. Blakemore, P. Brooks, C. Clark, Joseph Dennis, J. W. Davis. *Passed*—J. C. Blakemore, C. Clark, J. Dennis. *Raised*—J. C. Blakemore, A. W. Bridges, C. Clark, J. Dennis, B. K. Fluker. *Affiliated*—T. W. Baird. *Demitted*—P. H. Wright.

BURNSVILLE LODGE No. 162—Shangaloo, Claiborne Parish—OFFICERS: Shelvey Baucum, W. M.; Isaac G. Lambright, S. W.; Smith Marshall, J. W.; Samuel Modisett, Treas.; Leonard J. Baker, Sec'y; William F. Bevil, S. D.; Abel Graham, J. D.; Henry B. Wallace, Tyler—41 members.

*Initiated*—L. J. Baker, W. F. Bevil, David Fletcher, D. F. Fletcher, G. W. Fletcher, D. C. Wallace, David Wise. *Passed*—L. J. Baker, W. F. Bevil, D. Fletcher, W. G. Knox, N. Meeks, E. Marshall, W. J. Sikes, D. C. Wallace, D. Wise. *Raised*—L. J. Baker, J. C. Bailly, W. F. Bevil, D. Fletcher, W. G. Knox, W. T. J. Lennard, E. Martial, W. J. Sikes, D. Wise. *Affiliated*—A. F. Murphy, S. S. McDonald, P. R. Lansford. *Demitted*—J. H. Roach, N. Meeks.

ATCHAFALAYA LODGE No. 163—Simmsport, Avoyelles Parish. OFFICERS: J. B. Robinson, W. M.; P. J. Whitley, S. W.; L. Keller, J. W.; Samuel Smith, Treas.; S. Milton Wells, Sec'y; T. H. Babbitt, S. D.; S. M. Thomas, J. D.; J. W. O. Way, Tyler—35 members.

*Initiated*—H. H. Shawver. *Raised*—B. R. Coyle, R. F. F. French,

E. Pullin, A. T. Way. *Affiliated*—J. H. Cason, W. O. Rodney. *Died*—T. A. Steindorf.

COLUMBIA LODGE No. 164—Columbia, Caldwell Parish—OFFICERS: R. M. Searcy, W. M.; John F. Varner, S. W.; Jesse J. Butler, J. W.; F. A. Blanks, Treas.; N. L. Chaffin, Sec'y; John E. Wright, S. D.; Jacob Levy, J. D.; John C. Hill, Tyler—36 members.

*Initiated*—J. A. Meredith, Samuel J. Moffett, William E. Moffett, E. N. Meeks, Jesse A. Mattox, C. C. Meredith, E. H. Martin. *Passed*—J. N. Dial, J. A. Meredith, S. J. Moffett, W. E. Moffett, E. N. Meeks, J. A. Mattox, C. C. Meredith, E. H. Martin, John F. Parker, F. W. Stroud. *Raised*—S. J. Moffett, W. E. Moffett, E. N. Meeks, J. A. Mattox, C. C. Meredith, E. H. Martin, F. W. Stroud. *Affiliated*—R. Johnson, Isaac Peyton, R. M. Searcy, G. E. Warner, H. F. M. Warner, William C. Warner. *Died*—Thomas J. Evans.

LAKE CHARLES LODGE No. 165—Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish—OFFICERS: Joel Sanders, W. M.; Daniel Goos, S. W.; David J. Read, J. W.; Jacob Ryan, Treas.; F. G. Moeling, Sec'y; Wm. E. Gill, S. D.; E. R. Simms, J. D.; Alfred Burnet, Tyler—16 members. No Work.

EXCELSIOR LODGE No. 166—Grand Lodge Masonic Hall, N. O.—OFFICERS: O. J. Noyes, W. M.; S. L. Butler, S. W.; E. C. Hancock, J. W.; R. L. Bruce, Treas.; Gardner Smith, Sec'y; F. N. Thayer, S. D.; C. W. Gould, J. D.; E. Wells (not a member), Tyler—24 members.

*Initiated*—W. W. Breedlove, S. R. Griggs, Cesare Huchez, Chas. Hay, L. M. Montgomery, F. D. Ruggles. *Passed*—W. W. Breedlove, S. R. Griggs, C. Huchez, C. Hay. *Raised*—S. R. Griggs, C. Huchez, C. Hay. *Affiliated*—Frank Clark, L. P. Day, Wm. McGregor. *Dismissed*—A. P. Dostie.

LINN WOOD LODGE No. 167—City of Jefferson, Jefferson Parish—OFFICERS: Wm. McDuff, W. M.; J. T. Aycock, S. W.; J. T. Michell, J. W.; John Williams, Treas.; Henry Abel, Sec'y; John S. Burke, S. D.; E. E. Hoge, J. D.; Simon Wolf, Tyler—34 members.

*Initiated*—L. D. Lepaulmier, Alexander Remes, V. Sulowkouski, Richard Woodruff. *Passed*—John S. Burke, L. D. Lepaulmier, A. Remes, V. Sulowkouski, G. H. Wiltbank. *Raised*—J. S. Burke, V. Sulowkouski, G. H. Wiltbank. *Affiliated*—Isom Davenport, Theodore Gillespie, E. E. Hoge, Hugh McNeil, H. J. Martin. *Dismissed*—James Chamberlain, W. C. Cutler. *Died*—David Wood.

MONTGOMERY LODGE No. 168—Montgomery, Winn Parish—OFFICERS: C. T. Williams, W. M.; B. F. Butler, S. W.; S. Bernstein, J. W.; C. C. Dunn, Treas.; H. Ballard, Sec'y; J. M. Cooper, S. D.; D. Hardy, J. D.; J. H. Carter, Tyler—27 members.

*Passed*—Thomas J. Harvey. *Raised*—T. J. Harvey. *Affiliated*—Jasper H. Carter, C. T. Williams.

HAYNESVILLE LODGE No. 169—Haynesville, Claiborne Parish. OFFICERS: Jacob Reeder, W. M.; G. W. Nelson, S. W.; R. M. Oakes,

J. W.; David M. Phillips, Treas.; N. W. Peters, Sec'y; Joseph M. White, S. D.; Samuel Kirkpatrick, J. D.; John C. Butler, Tyler—36 members.

*Initiated*—G. W. Browning, J. U. W. Camp, J. F. Dunn, T. J. Nelson, J. C. Oakes, J. E. Patrick, J. J. Patrick, J. R. Strickland, Wm. Spencer. *Passed*—G. W. Browning, E. DeMoss, J. F. Dunn, T. J. Nelson, W. S. Maddox, J. C. Oakes, J. E. Patrick, J. J. Patrick, William Spencer. *Raised*—G. W. Browning, P. C. Collier, J. F. Dunn, W. T. Maddox, W. S. Maddox, T. J. Nelson, J. C. Oakes, R. M. Oakes, J. E. Patrick, J. J. Patrick, N. Meeks, Josias Short, W. Spencer. *Affiliated*—J. C. Green, G. W. Nelson, Jacob Reeder, R. W. Winn, W. S. Maddox (F. C.), N. Meeks (F. C.). *Demitted*—Thos. Hicks, L. B. Johnson, Jacob Moon.

LOUISIANA RELIEF LODGE No. 1—Meetings, first Sunday in each month in Grand Lodge Masonic Hall—OFFICERS: James B. Scot, W. M.; D. E. Scruggs, S. W.; J. O. DeCastro, J. W.; Samuel M. Todd, Treas.; A. DeSola, Sec'y; F. D. Bügel, S. D.; James Douglass, J. D.; Joseph Ehman, Tyler.

*Contributing Lodges*—Perfect Union No. 1, Friends of Harmony No. 58, George Washington No. 65, Dudley No. 66, Marion No. 68, Alpha Home No. 72, Louisiana No. 102, Ocean No. 144.

*Non-Contributing Lodges in the City of New Orleans*—Polar Star No. 1, Concorde No. 3, Perseverance No. 4, St. Andrew No. 5, Los Amigos del Orden No. 5, Silencio No. 9, Foyer Maçonnique No. 44, Germania No. 46, Mount Moriah No. 59, Hiram No. 70, Quitman No. 76, Orleans No. 78, Hermitage No. 98, Excelsior No. 166.

### Summary of Work for the year ending December 31, 1861.

Number of Chartered Lodges on the Register, 115—of which 97 made, and 11 failed, to make Returns. St. Joseph No. 79, Liberty No. 123, and Warren No. 132, have forfeited their charters. Friendship No. 114 and Constantine No. 119 have surrendered their charters. Pleasant Hill No. 86 and Livonia No. 91 had their charters revived by resolution of the Grand Lodge, February 12, 1861—but failed to comply with the conditions. Harry Hill No. 134 united with Mount Gerizim No. 54, by resolution of the Grand Lodge, passed February 11, 1862. Leaving 107 Chartered Lodges on the Register for the year 1862.

97 Lodges making returns give a membership of .....4,502  
Deduct demits, deaths, suspensions, etc..... 435

Actual membership of 97 Lodges, December 31, 1861.....4,067

Initiated, 271—Passed, 267—Raised, 284—Affiliated, 125—Demitted, 130—Died, 90—Stricken from the Roll, 191—Suspended, 18—Expelled, 6—Reinstated, 16.

The Subordinate Lodges were requested to return to the Grand Secretary's office the names of their members who had, up to the 31st December, 1861, enlisted in the army of the Confederacy. 70 Lodges, with an actual membership of 2,959, report 483 in the service of their country. The other Lodges have failed to make any returns in this particular.



## AMOUNTS DUE BY CONSTITUENT LODGES,

MARCH 20, 1862.

The attention of Masters and Secretaries is especially directed to the following statement of the indebtedness of Constituent Lodges to the Grand Lodge; and they are requested to transmit the amounts due as soon as possible, in order that the remaining balance due on account of the Grand Lodge Hall may be cancelled as rapidly as possible, to prevent the further and continued payment of interest:

POLAR STAR No. 1.....	\$ 20 00	URIM No. 111.....	\$ 4 60
PERSEVERANCE No. 4.....	1 00	THOMAS JEFFERSON No. 113.....	25 00
LOS AMIGOS DEL ORDEN No. 5.....	43 08	MILFORD No. 117.....	41 37
ST. ANDREW No. 5.....	257 00	TERRYVILLE No. 118.....	23 05
HUMBLE COTTAGE No. 19.....	1 00	LISBON No. 121.....	60 03
PHENIX No. 38.....	64 00	ARCADIA No. 126.....	98 87
JACKSON No. 45.....	45 72	SPRINGHILL No. 127.....	50 00
MINDEN No. 51.....	66 00	DAWSON No. 129.....	11 30
OLIVE No. 52.....	4 75	SHILOH No. 131.....	35 72
DESOTO No. 55.....	262 96	PLAINS No. 135.....	1 35
FRANKLIN No. 57.....	202 00	ATHENS No. 136.....	51 05
WESTERN STAR No. 61.....	25 72	COOL SPRING No. 140.....	9 00
SABINE No. 75.....	9 95	HUNTINGTON No. 141.....	1 00
MOUNT MORIAH No. 77.....	27 00	DOWNSVILLE No. 143.....	37 00
OLIVER No. 84.....	45 00	SILENT BROTHERHOOD No. 146.....	0 75
LAFAYETTE No. 87.....	1 00	RED LAND No. 148.....	45 00
MANY No. 88.....	301 72	HOMER No. 152.....	62 00
THIBODAUX BENEVOLENT No. 90.....	0 15	MORGANZA No. 159.....	75 00
MOUNT LEBANON No. 104.....	0 60	BURNSVILLE No. 162.....	68 30
SPARTA No. 108.....	137 75	COLUMBIA No. 164.....	1 00
CASTOR No. 109.....	26 00	HAYNESVILLE No. 169.....	11 00

The above does not include the amounts due by Lodges, which have failed to make Returns.

The following Lodges have these amounts to their credit on the books of the Grand Lodge, viz:

FRIENDS OF HARMONY No. 58.....	5 00	TRINITY No. 105.....	2 00
GEORGE WASHINGTON No. 65.....	80 00	ACACIA No. 116.....	5 00
ORLEANS No. 78.....	6 00	GORDY No. 133.....	5 00
DEWITT CLINTON No. 80.....	1 38	FILLMORE No. 154.....	17 70
MOUNT VERNON No. 83.....	0 48	KISSATCHIE No. 156.....	2 00
NAPOLEON No. 94.....	20 75	GROSSE TETE No. 157.....	1 02

# REGISTER OF LODGES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

NO.	NAMES OF LODGES.	NO.	WHERE LOCATED.	DATE CHARTER.	MASTERS' NAMES.	SECRETARIES' NAMES
1	Perfect Union*.....	1	New Orleans, Rampart, between Main and St. Philip streets ...	July 12, 1812	.....	.....
2	Polar Star.....	1	" " " " " "	July 12, 1812	A. R. Morel.....	J. L. Tissot.....
3	Concorde.....	3	" " " " " "	July 12, 1812	René Gutierrez.....	S. Meilleur.....
4	Perseverance.....	4	New Orleans, corner Main and St. Claude streets.....	July 12, 1812	François Meilleur.....	M. Mialhe.....
5	Los Amigos del Orden..	5	New Orleans, Rampart, between Maine and St. Philip streets..	Sept. 24, 1842	Angel Martin.....	J. Bardales.....
6	St. Andrew.....	5	New Orleans, Conti, between Villeré and Robertson streets...	June 3, 1839	J. Lamarre.....	J. Pausas.....
7	Silencio.....	9	New Orleans, corner Main and St. Claude streets.....	Feb. 12, 1861	G. Segui y Gahona	L. E. del Cristo.....
8	Humble Cottage.....	19	Opelousas, St. Landry Parish, Louisiana.....	June 12, 1820	J. J. Beauchamp.....	D. D. Arden.....
9	St. Albans.....	28	Jackson, East Feliciana, Louisiana.....	July 12, 1827	W. T. Rógillio.....	E. C. Kiblinger.....
10	Feliciania.....	31	St. Francisville, West Feliciana, Louisiana.....	March 9, 1828	Sam'l J. Powell.....	Charles Hoffman.....
11	Phoenix.....	38	Natchitoches, Louisiana.....	Oct. 6, 1836	John S. Levy.....	C. Chaplin, Jr. ....
12	Foyer Maçonnique.....	44	New Orleans, Rampart, between Main and St. Philip streets...	Oct. 7, 1838	U. Marioni.....	P. Brugier, Jr. ....
13	Jackson.....	45	Greenwood, Caddo Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 28, 1843	A. Flournoy, Sr.....	J. A. McBady.....
14	Germania.....	46	New Orleans, St. Louis, near Claiborne street .....	April 18, 1844	Peter Jansen.....	Chas. Fischer.....
15	St James.....	47	Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	June 28, 1844	George A. Pike.....	Joseph McCormick..
16	Providence*.....	50	Lake Providence, Louisiana.....	April 19, 1845	.....	.....
17	Minden.....	51	Minden, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	April 19, 1845	J. W. Berry.....	Alfred Landsberg...
18	Olive.....	52	Clinton, East Feliciana, Louisiana.....	Nov. 27, 1845	G. W. Munday.....	T. H. D'Armond.....
19	Union Fraternal.....	53	Farmerville, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Sept. 21, 1845	H. Regenburt.....	Wm. C. Smith.....
20	Mt. Gerizim.....	54	Bastrop, Morehouse Parish, Louisiana.....	Nov. 28, 1846	J. H. Traylor.....	S. W. Reilly.....
21	DeSoto.....	55	Mansfield, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana.....	March 27, 1847	N. A. Sutherland.....	B. F. Jackson.....
22	Lafayette.....	56	Vernon, Jackson Parish, Louisiana.....	Nov. 27, 1847	John C. Jones.....	E. A. Wilson.....
23	Franklin.....	57	Franklin, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 25, 1848	John C. Gordy.....	Joseph V. Fournery..
24	Friends of Harmony ...	58	New Orleans, G. L. Hall, cor. St. Charles and Perdido streets..	April 22, 1848	John H. Clark.....	A. DeSola.....
25	Mt. Moriah.....	59	New Orleans, Odd Fellows' Hall, cor. Camp and Lafayette sts.	March 24, 1849	John Booth.....	Jas. Furneaux.....
26	Western Star.....	61	Monroe, Ouachita Parish, Louisiana.....	May 1, 1849	Joseph F. McGuire...	John A. McGuire....
27	Tunica.....	63	Tunica Landing, Louisiana.....	Jan. 28, 1850	H. Hobgood.....	W. T. Cox.....
28	George Washington.....	65	New Orleans, G. L. Hall, cor. St. Charles and Perdido streets..	March 4, 1850	Gustavus Sontag..	James B. Scot.....
29	Dudley.....	66	" " " " " "	March 4, 1850	S. I. Guillet.....	J. W. Shearer.....
30	Marion.....	68	" " " " " "	March 4, 1850	D. E. Scruggs.....	R. H. Browne.....
31	Hiram.....	70	" " " " " "	March 4, 1850	Timothy Carroll...	John Kellett.....
32	Alpha Home.....	72	" " " " " "	Feb. 14, 1860	J. C. Batchelor.....	D. F. Mitchell.....
33	Sabine.....	75	Fort Jessup, Sabine Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	Chas. Beck.....	R. A. Forbes.....
34	Quitman.....	76	New Orleans, G. L. Hall, cor. St. Charles and Perdido streets..	March 4, 1850	T. A. Bartlette.....	R. S. Venables.....
35	Mt. Moriah.....	77	Port Hudson, Parish of East Feliciana, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	R. W. Troth.....	J. W. Fuqua.....
36	Orleans.....	78	New Orleans, G. L. Hall, cor. St. Charles and Perdido streets..	March 4, 1850	S. B. Churchill...	J. M. Winslow.....
37	St. Joseph†.....	79	St. Joseph, Tensas Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	.....	.....

# REGISTER OF LODGES—Continued.

	NAMES OF LODGES.	NO.	WHERE LOCATED.	DATE CHARTER.	MASTERS' NAME.	SECRETARIES' NAMES
38	DeWitt Clinton*	80	Marion, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	.....	.....
39	Mt. Vernon*	83	Logansport, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	.....	.....
40	Oliver.....	84	Alexandria, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	Wm. B. Hyman....	Rosemond Legras ...
41	Pleasant Hill   .....	86	Pleasant Hill, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana.....	.....	.....	.....
42	Lafayette.....	87	Pattersonville, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	N. Keyes.....	Bernard Levy.....
43	Many.....	88	Many, Sabine Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	Wm. B. Stille.....	S. A. Eason.....
44	Cypress.....	89	Collinsburg, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.....	March 4, 1850	W. M. Sentell.....	J. S. Shaw.....
45	Thibodaux Benevolent	90	Thibodaux, Lafourche Interior, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1851	B. G. Thibodaux...	Allen Dedrick.....
46	Livonia  .....	91	Livonia, Pointe Coupée Parish, Louisiana.....	.....	.....	.....
47	Monticello.....	92	Monticello, Carroll Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1851	E. B. Richardson..	J. W. Draughon.....
48	Napoleon.....	94	Marion, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1851	L. K. Thomas.....	Benj. Ford.....
49	St. Helena.....	96	Greensburg, St. Helena Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1851	W. A. Carter.....	Wm. A. Gill.....
50	Hermitage.....	98	New Orleans, corner Magazine and Philip streets.....	Jan. 21, 1851	Thos. Burden.....	P. L. Bouloeq.....
51	Henderson.....	99	Cotile, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1851	Lewis Texada.....	Thomas McNeely ....
52	Franklinton.....	101	Franklinton, Washington Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1851	C. P. Bailey.....	D. H. Stringfield....
53	Louisiana*.....	102	New Orleans, G. L. Hall, cor. St. Charles and Perdido streets..	Jan. 23, 1851	.....	.....
54	Cloutierville.....	103	Cloutierville, Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1852	S. O. Scruggs.....	Meyer Meyers.....
55	Mt. Lebanon.....	104	Mt. Lebanon, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1852	John G. Randle....	J. C. Rogers.....
56	Trinity.....	105	Trinity, Catahoula Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1852	W. W. Risher.....	Theodore Cohen.....
57	Vienna.....	106	Vienna, Jackson Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1852	M. P. Quinn.....	A. B. C. Winfrey ....
58	Sparta.....	108	Sparta, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1852	J. C. McCrary.....	W. P. Kimball.....
59	Castor.....	109	Castor, Caldwell Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1852	W. L. DeGraffenreidt.	Wm. T. Nettles.....
60	Harrisonburg*	110	Harrisonburg, Catahoula Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 21, 1852	.....	.....
61	Urim.....	111	Forksville, Ouachita Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 2, 1853	Wm. Thompson.....	Jas. L. McCarter....
62	Bartholomew.....	112	Plantersville, Morehouse Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 25, 1853	John McCrory.....	A. S. Washburn.....
63	Thomas Jefferson.....	113	Spearsville, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 25, 1853	Wm. L. Spears.....	Sidney H. Griffin....
64	Friendship†.....	114	Woodville, Jackson Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 25, 1853	.....	.....
65	Shreveport*	115	Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 27, 1852	.....	.....
66	Acacia.....	116	Plaquemine, Iberville Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 17, 1854	Henry S. Brown...	Alfred Hall.....
67	Milford.....	117	Manchac Settlement, East Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	Jan. 20, 1854	J. J. Freeman.....	E. Dixon.....
68	Terryville*.....	118	Quay Post Office, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 17, 1854	.....	.....
69	Constantine†.....	119	Waterproof, Tensas Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 17, 1854	.....	.....
70	Deerfield.....	120	Deerfield, Carroll Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 17, 1854	John H. Callaway	J. H. Wolfe.....
71	Lisbon.....	121	Lisbon, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 17, 1854	W. J. Lesley.....	Wm. G. Coleman.....
72	Mackey.....	122	Ringgold, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.....	Jan. 20, 1854	J. D. Cawthon.....	Thos. E. Dickey.....
73	Liberty†.....	123	Keachi, DeSoto Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	.....	.....
74	Kellertown.....	124	Kellertown, East Feliciana, Louisiana.....	Feb. 14, 1855	A. J. Norwood.....	R. P. Palmer.....
75	Pearl River.....	125	Line Academy (Shady Grove) Washington Parish, Louisiana..	Feb. 14, 1855	James Ford.....	Wm. M. Rankin.....

76	Arcadia.....	126	Arcadia, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	14, 1855	James C. Clement	J. Young.....
77	Springhill.....	127	Springhill Church, Union Cross Roads, Louisiana.....	Feb.	14, 1855	J. P. Everett.....	J. W. Hopkins.....
78	Dawson.....	129	Scottville, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	14, 1855	V. V. Thompson.....	P. C. Harper.....
79	Solomon.....	130	Goodrich Landing, Pecan Grove Post Office, Carroll Parish, La.	Feb.	17, 1855	Johnson Sale.....	T. W. Lilly.....
80	Shiloh*.....	131	Shiloh, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	14, 1855	.....	.....
81	Warrent.....	132	Winnboro, Franklin Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	14, 1855	.....	.....
82	Gordy.....	133	Cheneyville, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	14, 1855	J. H. Audebert.....	G. B. Marshall.....
83	Harry Hill†.....	134	Bastrop, Morehouse Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	14, 1855	Wm. McFee.....	Edw. Starsney.....
84	Plains.....	135	Plains Store, East Baton Rouge, Louisiana.....	Feb.	12, 1856	H. C. Young.....	John B. Whitaker.....
85	Athens.....	136	Athens, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	12, 1856	A. H. Payne.....	Thomas Leatherman
86	Houma.....	139	Houma, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	12, 1856	Wm. M. Mercer.....	H. Newell.....
87	Cool Spring*.....	140	Cool Spring Academy, Homer Post Office, Claiborne Parish, La.	Feb.	12, 1856	.....	.....
88	Huntington.....	141	Minden, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	12, 1856	D. B. Doyle.....	G. R. Griggs.....
89	Downsville.....	143	Downsville, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	12, 1856	George A. Stinson.....	A. G. Calhoun.....
90	Ocean.....	144	New Orleans, Marigny Buildings, Third District.....	Feb.	10, 1857	Aug. Duquercron.....	J. A. Letten.....
91	Hope.....	145	Vermillionville, Lafayette Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	10, 1857	M. E. Girard.....	Wm. Brandt.....
92	Silent Brotherhood.....	146	Coushatta Chute, Louisiana.....	Feb.	10, 1857	R. A. L. McCurdy.....	A. M. Lisso.....
93	Anacoco.....	147	Anacoco Postoffice, Sabine Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	10, 1857	N. H. Bray.....	Mark McAlpin.....
94	Red Land.....	148	Rocky Mount, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	10, 1857	J. B. Campbell.....	J. J. Swindle.....
95	Darlington.....	149	Darlington, St. Helena Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	10, 1858	M. M. Collins.....	H. S. Graves.....
96	Perkins.....	150	Donaldsonville, Ascension Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	10, 1858	T. H. Weightman.....	H. W. Miller.....
97	Eastern Star.....	151	Winnfield, Winn Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	10, 1858	Wm. J. Edwards.....	E. C. Martin.....
98	Homer.....	152	Homer, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	10, 1858	Allen C. Hill.....	Ben. R. Coleman.....
99	Saints John.....	153	Algiers, Parish of Orleans, Louisiana.....	Feb.	10, 1858	A. B. Seger.....	Theo. Thayer.....
100	Fillmore.....	154	Fillmore, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	12, 1858	Hen'y Barnacastle	James Ford.....
101	Cherry Ridge.....	155	Cherry Ridge, Union Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	12, 1858	M. T. Simmons.....	W. C. Carr.....
102	Kissatchie.....	156	Kissatchie, Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	12, 1858	N. G. McNeely.....	James J. Keys.....
103	Grosse Tête.....	157	Rosedale Post Office, Louisiana.....	Feb.	18, 1859	Hiram Sigler.....	C. W. Pope.....
104	Rapides*.....	158	Huddleston Post Office, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	16, 1859	.....	.....
105	Morganza.....	159	Morganza, Pointe Coupée Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	16, 1859	John W. Newsom.....	C. G. Hale.....
106	Livingston.....	160	Ponchitoula, Livingston Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	16, 1859	S. S. Hoyt.....	Alf. Bradley.....
107	Brookville.....	161	Point Jefferson, Morehouse Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	16, 1860	Wilson G. Myers.....	J. H. Jones.....
108	Burnsville.....	162	Shangaloo, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	16, 1860	Shelvey Baucum.....	L. J. Baker.....
109	Achafalaya.....	163	Simmспорт, Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	16, 1860	J. B. Robinson.....	S. M. Wells.....
110	Columbia.....	164	Columbia, Caldwell Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	16, 1860	R. M. Searcy.....	N. L. Chaffin.....
111	Lake Charles.....	165	Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	16, 1860	Joel Sanders.....	F. G. Moelling.....
112	Excelsior.....	166	G. L. Masonic Hall, cor. St. Charles and Perdido sts., N. O.	Feb.	12, 1861	O. J. Noyes.....	Gardner Smith.....
113	Linn Wood.....	167	City of Jefferson, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	13, 1861	Wm. McDuff.....	Henry Abel.....
114	Montgomery.....	168	Montgomery, Winn Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	13, 1861	C. T. Williams.....	Henry Bullard.....
115	Haynesville.....	169	Haynesville, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.....	Feb.	13, 1861	Jacob Reeder.....	N. W. Peters.....

\* No Returns. † Charter forfeited. ‡ Charter surrendered. § Charter revived in 1861, but conditions not complied with.

¶ United with Mount Gerizim No. 54 by resolution of Grand Lodge, passed Feb. 11, 1862.

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# NAMES AND RESIDENCES OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS,

APPOINTED UNDER THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS,

*Together with the Lodges under their Charge.*

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*Resolved*, That the M. W. Grand Master be empowered to divide the State into a convenient number of Masonic Districts, and appoint for each District a District Deputy Grand Master ; which Deputies shall be required to attend on the Annual Communications of this Grand Lodge and Lecture together, under the supervision of the Committee on Work, until they have acquired the Work and Lectures alike. After returning to their several Districts, they shall notify each Lodge in their Districts to send one or more Delegates to such place as they shall name, which should be some central point in each District, there to remain and Lecture until they have acquired the Work and Lectures as their District Deputy Grand Masters have them, and on their return home they shall instruct their Lodges in the same manner.

*Resolved*, That the actual expenses of the District Deputy Grand Masters incurred by their attendance on the Grand Lodge in acquiring the Work, shall be paid by this Grand Lodge ; and that they shall be entitled to charge each Lodge in their Districts, whose Delegates they may instruct, the sum of ten dollars.—[Passed February 18, 1860.]

*Resolved*, That the appointment of District Deputy Grand Masters, as well as the Committee on Work, shall be permanent.—[Passed February 11, 1862.]

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## FIRST DISTRICT.

J. Q. A. FELLOWS, M. W. GRAND MASTER.....NEW ORLEANS.

Perfect Union No. 1; Polar Star No. 1; Concorde No. 3; Perseverance No. 4; Los Amigos del Orden No. 5; St. Andrew No. 5; Silencio No. 9; Foyer Maçonnique No. 44; Germania No. 46; Friends of Harmony No. 58; Mt. Moriah No. 59; George Washington No. 65; Dudley No. 66; Marion No. 68; Hiram No. 70; Alpha Home No. 72; Quitman No. 76; Orleans No. 78; Hermitage No. 98; Louisiana No. 102; Ocean No. 144; Saints John No. 153; Excelsior No. 166; Linn Wood No. 167.

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## SECOND DISTRICT.

AMOS KENT.....TANGIPAH0, ST. HELENA PARISH.

St. Helena No. 96; Franklinton No. 101; Pearl River No. 125; Darlington No. 149; Livingston No. 160.

## THIRD DISTRICT.

SAMUEL M. HART.....BATON ROUGE.

St. James No. 47; Acacia No. 116; Milford No. 117; Plains No. 135; Perkins No. 150; Grosse Tête No. 157.

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## FOURTH DISTRICT.

A. G. CARTER, DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.....PORT HUDSON.

St. Albans No. 28; Feliciana No. 31; Olive No. 52; Tunica No. 63; Mount Moriah No. 77; Kellertown No. 124; Morganza No. 159; Atchafalaya No. 163.

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## FIFTH DISTRICT.

GEORGE H. WELLS.....HARRISONBURG, CATAHOULA PARISH.

Trinity No. 105; Harrisonburg No. 110.

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## SIXTH DISTRICT.

M. MORGAN.....PECAN GROVE P. O., CARROLL PARISH.

Providence No. 50; Monticello No. 92; Deerfield No. 120; Solomon No. 130.

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## SEVENTH DISTRICT.

A. S. WASHBURN.....PLANTERSVILLE, MOREHOUSE PARISH.

Mt. Gerizim No. 54; Western Star No. 61; Urim No. 111; Bartholomew No. 112; Brookville No. 161.

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## EIGHTH DISTRICT.

HY. REGENBURG, J. G. WARDEN.....FARMERVILLE, UNION PARISH.

Union Fraternal No. 53; DeWitt Clinton No. 80; Napoleon No. 94; Thomas Jefferson No. 113; Springhill No. 127; Shiloh No. 131; Downs ville No. 143; Cherry Ridge No. 155.

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## NINTH DISTRICT.

JOHN C. JONES .....VERNON, JACKSON PARISH.

Lafayette No. 56; Vienna No. 106; Terryville No. 118; Arcadia No. 126.

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## TENTH DISTRICT.

WM. WALKER.....WINNFIELD, WINN PARISH.

Castor No. 109; Eastern Star No. 151; Columbia No. 164; Montgomery No. 168.

## DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

## ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

J. D. CAWTHON.....RINGGOLD, BIENVILLE PARISH.

Mt. Lebanon No. 104; Sparta No. 108; Mackey No. 122; Silent Brotherhood No. 146.

## TWELFTH DISTRICT.

G. M. KILLGORE.....HOMER, CLATBORNE PARISH.

Minden No. 51; Lisbon No. 121; Dawson No. 129; Athens No. 136; Cool Spring No. 140; Huntington No. 141; Homer No. 152; Burnsville No. 162; Haynesville No. 169.

## THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

CHARLES CHAFFE.....SHREVEPORT, CADDO PARISH.

Jackson No. 45; Cypress No. 89; Shreveport No. 115; Red Land No. 148; Fillmore No. 154.

## FOURTEENTH DISTRICT.

JOHN C. SUTHERLIN.....MANSFIELD, DeSOTO PARISH.

DeSoto No. 55; Mount Vernon No. 83.

## FIFTEENTH DISTRICT.

S. O. SCRUGGS.....CLOUTIERVILLE, NATCHITOCHES PARISH.

Phoenix No. 38; Sabine No. 75; Oliver No. 84; Many No. 88; Henderson No. 99; Cloutierville No. 103; Kissatchie No. 156.

## SIXTEENTH DISTRICT.

G. B. BURR.....HUDDLESTON P. O., RAPIDES PARISH.

Gordy No. 133; Anacoco No. 147; Rapides No. 158; Lake Charles No. 165.

## SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

J. C. GORDY, SENIOR GRAND WARDEN...FRANKLIN, ST. MARY PARISH.

Humble Cottage No. 19; Franklin No. 57; Lafayette No. 87; Thibodaux Benevolent No. 90; Houma No. 139; Hope No. 145.

# LIST OF PAST GRAND OFFICERS

## OF THE

# GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

FROM ITS ORGANIZATION TO THE PRESENT YEAR.

WHO BECAME PERMANENT MEMBERS THEREOF BY VIRTUE OF THEIR OFFICE.

YEAR.	GRAND MASTERS.	DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.	SENIOR GRAND WARDENS.	JUNIOR GRAND WARDENS.
1812	*L. F. Dubourg	*L. Moreau Lislet	*J. Blanche	*Francis Pernot
1813	*L. F. Dubourg	*L. Moreau Lislet	*J. Blanche	*Francis Pernot
1814	*L. F. Dubourg	*L. Moreau Lislet	*J. Soulié	*Domin'e Roquette
1815	*J. Soulié	*L. Moreau Lislet	*Domin'e Roquette	*Modeste Lefebvre
1816	*J. Soulié	*L. Moreau Lislet	*Modeste Lefebvre	*Y. Lemonnier
1817	*J. Soulié	*L. Moreau Lislet	*Modeste Lefebvre	*Y. Lemonnier
1818	*L. Moreau Lislet	*Modeste Lefebvre	*Jean B. Desbois	*Y. Lemonnier
1819	*Modest Lefebvre	*Jean B. Desbois	*Y. Lemonnier	*Aug. Macarty
1820	*Y. Lemonnier	*Aug. Macarty	*J. F. Canonge	*G. Dubuys
1821	*Aug. Macarty	*J. F. Canonge	*G. Dubuys	*A. Peychaud
1822	*J. F. Canonge	*G. Dubuys	*Y. Lemonnier	*G. Leaumont
1823	*D. F. Burthe	*G. Dubuys	*L. Moreau Lislet	*L. A. de Bodin
1824	*J. F. Canonge	*Y. Lemonnier	*L. A. de Bodin	*A. Longer
1825	John H. Holland	*L. A. de Bodin	*A. Longer	*Charles Maurian
1826	John H. Holland	M. Flietas	*A. Longer	*Charles Maurian
1827	John H. Holland	M. Flietas	*Charles Maurian	*A. Morphy
1828	John H. Holland	*A. Morphy	*Charles Maurian	*A. Longer
1829	*J. F. Canonge	*D. F. Burthe	*A. Longer	J. B. Faget
1830	John H. Holland	*A. Longer	*M. Fouche Cougot	J. B. Faget
1831	John H. Holland	J. B. Faget	Seth W. Nye	Jean Lamothe
1832	John H. Holland	*Aug. Douce	Seth W. Nye	*Thomas Blois
1833	John H. Holland	*Aug. Douce	Jean Lamothe	*J. B. F. Giquel
1834	John H. Holland	*Aug. Douce	Jean Lamothe	*Charles Revoile
1835	John H. Holland	*Aug. Douce	F. J. Verrier	*J. B. F. Giquel
1836	*L. H. Feraud	J. Viosca	*J. B. F. Giquel	Jean Lamothe
1837	*L. H. Feraud	F. J. Verrier	*J. B. F. Giquel	F. Coquet
1838	John H. Holland	*J. J. Mercier	*J. B. Lambert	*Zenon Colson
1839	John H. Holland	*Alexander Phillips	F. J. Verrier	†Perez Snell
1840	*A. W. Pichot	G. A. Montmain	J. Viosca	†Ramon Vionnet
1841	*A. W. Pichot	Jean Lamothe	J. Viosca	†Ramon Vionnet
1842	Jean Lamothe	†Ramon Vionnet	*Paul Bertus	Ramon Viosca
1843	*E. A. Canon	*Felix Garcia	A. D. Guesnon	*H. Kidel
1844	*E. A. Canon	*Robert Preaux	Lucien Hermann	*Francis Calongne
1845	*Robert Preaux	*Felix Garcia	Lucien Hermann	*Francis Calongne
1846	*Felix Garcia	Lucien Hermann	*Francis Calongne	*Joseph Lisbony
1847	*Felix Garcia	*Robert Preaux	Francis Meilleur	†Roman Brugier
1848	{ *Felix Garcia	{ Lucien Hermann	{ *Thos. B. Patten	{ Alexander Derbes
L. G. L.	{ *M. R. Dudley	{ *Thomas H. Lewis	{ W. P. Coleman	{ G. Gorin
1849	{ Lucien Hermann	{ *F. Calongne	{ Antoine Mondelli	{ Simon Meilleur
L. G. L.	{ *John Gedge	{ *Jno W. Crockett	{ Wm. M. Perkins	{ J. W. McNamar
1850	Lucien Hermann	*F. Calongne	Antoine Mondelli	George W. Catlett
1851	*John Gedge	George W. Catlett	R. F. McGuire	Wm. L. Knox
1852	*H. R. W. Hill	Robert F. McGuire	Wm. L. Knox	S. M. Hart
1853	*H. R. W. Hill	Wm. L. Knox	S. M. Hart	*H. W. Huntington
1854	Wm. M. Perkins	Wm. L. Knox	*H. W. Huntington	Geo. D. Shadburne
1855	Wm. M. Perkins	Geo. D. Shadburne	M. H. Dosson	*Law. P. Crain
1856	Wm. M. Perkins	M. H. Dosson	Louis Texada	S. O. Scruggs
1857	Wm. M. Perkins	*Amos Adams	A. S. Washburn	S. O. Scruggs
1858	*Amos Adams	Samuel M. Todd	S. O. Scruggs	A. J. Norwood
1859	Samuel M. Todd	S. O. Scruggs	A. J. Norwood	Joseph Santini
1860	J. Q. A. Fellows	A. G. Carter	John C. Gordy	Hy. Regenburg
1861	J. Q. A. Fellows	A. G. Carter	John C. Gordy.	Hy. Regenburg
1862	J. Q. A. Fellows	A. G. Carter	B. G. Thibodaux	Samuel J Powell

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† Expelled by Grand Lodge for defalcation and swindling as Grand Treasurer.

‡ Not in good standing.



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